

Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand

REPORT

PREPARATORY WORK FOR THE NATIONAL FISHERIES REFUGIA COMMITTEE (NFRC) MEETING

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REPORT OF THE MEETING

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1) The meeting for consultation on the implementation of the Project entitled "Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand" was held at the Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries (DOF) on 5th October 2018. It was chaired by Dr. Vicharn Ingsrisawang, Director of Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, and participated by Director of Fisheries Refugia Project and DOF Project staff, names of which are listed as shown in **Annex 1**:
- 2) The meeting was aimed to prepare some inputs for the forthcoming National Fisheries Refugia Committee (NFRC) meeting, including 1) priority species and actual sites for Project implementation, 2) memberships and terms of reference (TOR) of Project committees, 3) meeting allowances and travel expenses for committee members, and 4) date of the 2nd NFRC meeting. Results of the meeting are concluded as follows:

II. PRIORITY SPECIES AND PROJECT SITES

- 3) As trans-boundary species, Indo-Pacific mackerel was to be input as the priority species in Trat Province, with the Project site located from Trat Bay to Thai-Cambodia border at Khlong Yai District of Trat Province.
- 4) Blue swimming crab was to be the input for priority species in Surat Thani Province due to its economically importance. Moreover, there has been Fishery Improvement Project (FIP) of blue swimming crab in Ban Don Bay, Surat Thani Province of which the biology and oceanography baseline data were available. Project site was to be shifted from Samui Island to Ban Don Bay of Surat Thani Province.

III. Proposed Memberships and TORs of the Project Committees

5) Membership and TOR of Thailand's National Fisheries Refugia Committee (NFRC)

A. Proposed Members of NFRC:

1.	Director General of the Department of Fisheries, or his Representative	Chairman
2.	Senior Expert in Fisheries Management, Department of Fisheries	Vice Chairman
3.	Asst. Prof. Dr. Anond Snitwong Na Ayudthya, Director of the <i>Geo-Informatics</i> and Space Technology Development Agency (GISTDA)	Committee
4.	Dean of the Faculty of Fisheries, Kasetsart University	Committee
5.	Inspector-General-Head to the Department of Fisheries	Committee
6.	Director of Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries	Committee
7.	Director of Coastal Aquaculture Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries	Committee

8.	Director of the Marine and Coastal Resources Research and Development Institute, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources	Committee
9.	Senior Expert in Marine Fisheries, Department of Fisheries	Committee
10.	Director of Trat Provincial Fisheries Office, Department of Fisheries	Committee
11.	Director of Surat Thani Provincial Fisheries Office, Department of Fisheries	Committee
12.	Director of the Eastern Gulf Fisheries Research and Development Center (Rayong), Department of Fisheries	Committee and Secretary

B. TORs of the NFRC:

1.

- Approve work plan and expenditure plan of the Fisheries Refugia Project in Thailand 2. Approve quarterly progress reports, expenditure reports, costed work plans, and cash advance requests. 3. Approve annual progress reports for transmission to the SEAFDEC Council, UN
- Environment, and the GEF Secretariat.
- Assume overarching responsibility for the execution of national level of Fisheries 4. Refugia Project in Thailand
- 5. Provide any other business for effective execution of Fisheries Refugia Project in Thailand.
- 6) Membership and TOR of Thailand's National Scientific and Technical Committee (NSTC)

A. Members of NSTC:

1.	Senior Expert in Fisheries Management, Department of Fisheries	Chairman
2.	Director of Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries	Vice Chairman
3.	Thailand National Focal Point	Committee
4.	Director of the Eastern Gulf Fisheries Research and Development Center (Rayong), Department of Fisheries	Committee
5.	Director of the Central Gulf Fisheries Research and Development Center (Chumphon), Department of Fisheries	Committee
6.	Director of the Southern Gulf Fisheries Research and Development Center (Songkhla), Department of Fisheries	Committee
7.	Director of the Marine and Coastal Resources Research and Development Center the Eastern Gulf of Thailand, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources	Committee

8.	Director of the Marine and Coastal Resources Research and	Committee
	Development Center the Central Gulf of Thailand, Department	
	of Marine and Coastal Resources	
9.	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Charumas Meksumpun, Department of Fishery	Committee
	Biology, Faculty of Fisheries, Kasetsart University	
10.	Ms. Penchan Laongmanee, Lecturer of the Faculty of Marine	Committee
	Technology, Burapha University	
11.	Asst. Prof. Dr. Amonsak Sawusdee, Head of Resources and	Committee
	Environment Field, Walailak University	
12.	Mr. Udom Khrueniam, Technical Officer of the Eastern Gulf	Committee and
	Fisheries Research and Development Center (Rayong),	Secretary
	Department of Fisheries	-
13.	Mr. Jirawut Kampirote, Technical Officer of the Central Gulf	Committee and
13.	Fisheries Research and Development Center (Chumphon),	Assistant
	Department of Fisheries	Secretary

B. TORs of NFRC:

1.	Compile, synthesize, and review technical information, as well as prepare technical guidance for the effective execution of Fisheries Refugia Project in Thailand
2.	Provide the National Fisheries Refugia Committee with technical guidance and suggestion.
3.	Review technical information and implementation reports from fisheries refugia sites
4.	Facilitate cooperation with relevant organizations to enhance technical information for managing Fisheries Refugia in Thailand
5.	Provide any other technical business for effective execution of Fisheries Refugia

IX. MEETING ALLOWANCES AND TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

7) The meeting agreed to propose to the NFRC that meeting allowance and travel expense for each NFRC and NSTC member would be provided from the Project budget.

X. DATE OF 2ND NFRC MEETING

Project in Thailand.

8)	The 2 nd NFRC Meeting was scheduled to be held no later than 12 th Oct	2018 in c	order to
	consider the above issues and approve quarter 3/2018 progress report	and expe	enditure
	report, and quarter 4/2018 costed work plan and cash advance request.		

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ANNEX 1

1.	Mr. Vicharn Ingsrisawang, Ph.D.	Director of Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
2.	Mr. Somboon Siriraksophon, Ph.D.	Director of Fisheries Refugia Project, Project Coordinating Unit
3.	Ms. Praulai Nootmorn	Senior Expert in Marine Fisheries, Department of Fisheries
4.	Mr. Kumpon Loychuen	Director of the Eastern Gulf Fisheries Research and Development Center (Rayong), Department of Fisheries
5.	Mr. Wutthichai Wangkahart	Head of Fishing Technology Development Group, Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
6.	Ms. Ratana Munprasit	Fisheries Refugia Project Staff, Department of Fisheries
7.	Ms. Pannalak Srithong	Fisheries Refugia Project Staff, Department of Fisheries
8.	Ms. Jutima Jangjaiboon	Fisheries Refugia Project Staff, Department of Fisheries
9.	Ms. Tidaporn Manesook	Fisheries Refugia Project Staff, Department of Fisheries

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