



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

REPORT

**INTERNAL MEETING
WITH FISHERIES ADMINISTRATION CANTONMENT TO
DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM FOR
CLOSING SEASON OF SHORT MACKEREL AT PEAM KRASOB, KOH KONG**

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1. OPENING A MEETING

- 1.1** The meeting with FiAC in Koh Kong was organized by Fisheries Administration (FiA) of Cambodia on 09 July 2020, funded by SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Fisheries *Refugia*. The meeting was conducted at Fisheries Administration Cantonment in Koh Kong province, which was attended by 5 participants in total from Fisheries Administration and Fisheries Administration Cantonment (see **Annex 1, 2 &3**).
- 1.2** **Mr. Leng Sy Vann**, expressed thanks very much for Mr. Chhor Bunchung, Acting Head of FiAC in Koh Kong and his colleagues who allow teamwork from Department of Fisheries Conservation, FiA to meet and discuss on the plan preparation for closed fishing of mackerel refugia at Peam Krasob starting the month of December 2020 to March 2021.
- 1.3** Mr. Chhor Bunchung well came to teamwork from Department of Fisheries Conservation, FiA to discuss on the plan for closed fishing of mackerel upcoming. In that issue, he proposed action plans which included a mooring buoy installation at the boundary of mackerel refugia, strengthening patrolling group, and noticed letter on closing fishing of mackerel issued by Koh Kong Provincial Administration Hall.

2. MEETING AND DISCUSSION WITH FIAC

2.1 STRENGTHENING A PATROLLING GROUP

- Patrolling group has been established on 19 March 2019 by supported from local and provincial authorities, especially Mr. Sok Sothy, Deputy Governor of Koh Kong province, and Technical Working Group
- That group is 13 members from community fisheries and natural resource protected area community
- Nowadays, some of those members stopped doing the jobs. In that case, FiAC will plan to find people to replace them.
- Regarding closing season of mackerel starting from early December 2020 to end March 2021, FiAC has a plan to divide into 3 groups to patrol illegal fishing activities at refugia site.

2.2 RAISING A PUBLIC AWARENESS OF CLOSED FISHING OF MACKEREL REFUGIA

- FiAC will plan to disseminate noticed letter on closing fishing of mackerel stating from 01 December 2020 to 31 March 2021 issued Koh Kong Provincial Administration according to the MAFF's proclamation dated of 16 September 2019 through local media and distribution to fishers, local authorities, and community fisheries.

2.3 INSTALLING MOORING BUOYS AT THE BOUNDARY OF MACKEREL REFUGIA

- FiAC will plan to install mooring buoys at the boundary of mackerel refugia with its size of 1283ha, which signals fishers to know the boundary of the refugia site.
- FiAC collaborated with DFC/FiA to make mooring buoys. At the present, FiAC has been seeking out skill person to do that job.
- FiAC will continue to work with DFC/FiA to define the location to deploy the buoys at refugia site.

3. CLOSURE OF A MEETING

- 3.1** **Mr. Leng Sy Vann** expressed deep thanks to FiAC officers, especially Mr. Chhor Bun Chhung-Acting Director of Koh Kong FiAC, providing a good workplan for closing season of short mackerel at upcoming. This is the management measure of mackerel refugia at Peam Krasob to ensure sustainable fisheries resource consuming, especially short mackerel. The meeting is closed at 3.45pm in delighted environment.

ANNEX 1: List of participants in meeting with FiAC in Koh Kong province on 09 July 2020

No.	Name	Sex	Title	Organization	Telephone
1	Leng Sy Vann	M	Deputy Director of DFC	FiA	017 446373
2	Chhor Bun Chhung	M	Director	FiAC in Koh Kong	016771768
3	Seng Bunnna	M	Deputy Head	FiAC in Koh Kong	016885709
4	Rous Sareth	M	Officer	DFC/FiA	011664696
5	Neay Salout	M	Officer	FiAC in Koh Kong	0968479894

ANNEX 2: Schedule for meeting with FiAC in Koh Kong province on 09 July 2020

Date/Time	Description	Responsible person
08 July 2020		
10:00am-4:30pm	Leaving Phnom Penh for Koh Kong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Rous Sareth • Mr. Leng Sy Vann
09 July 2020		
8:30am- 9:00am	Registration	All
9:00am- 1:00am	Opening meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chhor Bunchhung Acting director of FiAC • Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
10:00am- 12:00am	Meeting and Discussion with FiAC on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening a patrolling group - Raising a public awareness of mackerel refugia fishing closing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chhor Bunchhung Acting director of FiAC • Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
12:00pm-2:00pm	Break for Lunch	All
2:00pm-3:30pm	Continue to discuss with FiAC on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Installing mooring buoys at the boundary of mackerel refugia at Peam Krasob, Koh Kong province - Preparing budget proposal for activities implementation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chhor Bunchhung Acting director of FiAC • Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
3:30pm-3:45amm	Closing a meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chhor Bunchhung Acting director of FiAC • Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
10 July 2020		

9:00am -1:30pm	Leaving Koh Kong for Phnom Penh	All
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ANNEX 3: Participants' Photos in meeting with FiAC in Koh Kong province on 09 July 2020

