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Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand**

REPORT

CONSULTATION MEETING ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES RESOURCE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION AREA IN KOH KONG

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1. Open meeting

- 1) The consultation meeting on the preparation and establishment of technical working group for management of marine fisheries resource protection and conservation area in Koh Kong was organized by Fisheries Administration (FiA) of Cambodia on 02 October 2019, funded by SEAFDEC/UNEP/GEF Fisheries *Refugia*. The meeting was conducted at Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration under presided by Mr. Sok Sothy, Deputy Governor of Koh Kong, which was attended by 7 participants in total from Fisheries Administration, Department of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries, Fisheries Administration Cantonment in Kep, and Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration (see **Annex 1, 2 &3**).
- 2) Mr. Sok Sothy welcomed to all participants taking their opportunities to attend the meeting in order to discuss the ability of establishment of Technical Working Group for Management of Marine Fisheries Resource Protection and Conservation Area in Koh Kong. The establishment of Technical Working Group is referred to MAFF's Proclamation No. 400 Pro Kor. Kor Sor Kor dated on 16 September 2019 on the establishment of mackerel fisheries *refugia* at Peam Krasob in Koh Kong, and Proclamation No. 133 Pro Kor. Kor Sor Kor dated on 06 March 2019 on the establishment of management area of Estuarine Terrapin (*Batagur Baska*) and Siamese crocodile (*Crocodylus siamensis*) in Sre Ambil Channel System.

2. Extension of MAFF's Proclamation on the Establishment of Management Area of Mackerel Fisheries *Refugia* in Koh Kong

- 3) Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation presented MAFF's Proclamation on the establishment of management area of mackerel fisheries *refugia* in Koh Kong. He informed the meeting that that proclamation is 9 articles that each article stated purpose, goal, extent, prohibition, management, budget sources for management, penalty, null, and implementation agencies. He added that article 5 is important article stating together responsibilities between Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration and Fisheries Administration in order to ensure sustainable mackerel management and use, especially Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration and Fisheries Administration is needed to work together to establish a technical working group for management of protection and conservation area in Koh Kong.

3. Extension of MAFF proclamation on the Establishment of Management Area of Estuarine Terrapin (*Batagur Baska*) and Siamese Crocodile (*Crocodylus siamensis*) in Koh Kong

- 4) Mr. Ouk Vibol Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation presented MAFF's Proclamation on the establishment of management area of *Batagur Baska* and indigenous crocodile in Koh Kong. He informed the meeting that MAFF's proclamation format is not difference and the form is copied from Minster Council. Generally, article 1 stated purpose, article 2 stated goals, article 3 stated extent, article 4 stated prohibition, article 5 stated management, article 6 stated budget source for management, article 7 stated penalty, article 8 stated null, and article 9 stated implementation institutions. He added that article 4 is important article that showing together responsibilities between Koh Kong and Preah Sihanouk Vill Provincial Hall Administration and Fisheries Administration in order to ensure sustainable fisheries resource management and use for next generation. In particular, Koh Kong and Preah Sihanouk Vill Provincial Hall Administration and Fisheries Administration is needed to work together to create technical working group for management of fisheries resources of those areas.

4. Discussion on the Establishment of Technical Working Group for Management of Marine Fisheries Resource Protection and Conservation Area, Koh Kong

- 5) Mr. Ouk Vibol expressed deeply thanks to Mr. Sok Sothy, Deputy Governor of Koh Kong and Director of Department of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries in Koh Kong, allowing the discussion, and informed that two proclamations issued by MAFF is needed to create technical working group for management of those areas. He suggested that there should be working group only to manage all areas issued by MAFF and at future, there will be another proclamation on the establishment of Marine Fisheries Management at Archipelago Koh Sdach. If there was separated technical working group, there will meet problems to lack officers to work and on other hands there will not be enough time to attend meeting too.
- 6) Mr. E Meng Leang, Director of Department of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries in Koh Kong noted that if we create separated technical working group, we will meet officer shortage to work, making difficulty for working because now we are less staff to work, so we should create technical working group only to manage and enforce proclamation issued MAFF.
- 7) Mr. Chairperson of meeting agreed to create technical working group only but naming the technical working group is needed to be careful because it makes confuse with other working group.
- 8) Mr. Ouk Vibol suggested that naming is technical working group for marine fisheries management area in Koh Kong under management areas issued the MAFF.
- 9) Mr. E Meng Leang replied that the name of technical working group is broader manner.
- 10) Mr. Ouk Vibol noted that the word of fisheries management area states in the law of fisheries and the establishment of management area is needed to be adopted by MAFF.
- 11) Mr. E Meng Leang said that the naming can make confuse to other if they do not understand.
- 12) Mr. Chairperson of meeting suggested naming the technical working group specifically and if new area is created, it will be changed again. Therefore, its naming is the technical working group for management area of mackerel fisheries refugia at Peam Krasob and protection and conservation area of Estuarine Terrapin (*Batagur Baska*) and Siamese crocodile (*Crocodylus siamensis*) in Sre Ambil Channel system, Koh Kong.
- 13) After discussion, the meeting agreed as following:
 - Supporting to create technical working group for marine fisheries management in Koh Kong only under management area issued by MAFF,
 - Agreeing to suggest Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration prepare the invitation letter to involving institutions, especially letter to Fisheries Administration to request composition from FiA to join the technical working group as vice chief and member,
 - Agreeing to insert representatives from national and international organizations involved to join that meeting
 - Approving to organize a meeting of composition and roles at the last time before submitted to Lok Chhum Teav Koh Kong Governor through provincial decision.

5. Close meeting

- 14) Mr. Sok Sothy thanked all participants very much, taking their opportunities to join that meeting today and get fruitful results. He declared to close the meeting at 4:30pm

ANNEX 1**List of participants attending consultation meeting on the establishment of technical working group for management of protection and conservation area in Koh Kong on 02 October 2019**

No.	Name	Sex	Title	Organization	Telephone
1	Sok Sothy	M	Deputy Governor of Koh Kong	Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration	012263642
2	Ouk Vibol	M	Director	DFC/FiA	012908121
3	Leng Sy Vann	M	Deputy Director	DFC/FiA	017446373
4	Ee Meng Leang	M	Director	DoA in Koh Kong	012494269
5	Hor Thou	M	Head of Division	Koh Kong Provincial Hall Administration	0888788088
6	Chhor Bun Chhung	M	Acting Director	Koh Kong FiAC/DoA	016771768
7	Va Sotepy	F	Officer	DFC/FiA	085237616

ANNEX 2

Schedule for consultation meeting on the establishment of technical working group for management of protection and conservation area in Koh Kong on 02 October 2019

Date/Time	Description	Responsible person
01 October 2019		
09:00am-4:00pm	Leaving Phnom Penh for Koh Kong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ouk Vibol • Mr. Leng Sy Vann • Mr. Va Sotepy
02 October 2019		
8:30am- 8:45am	Registration	All
8:45am- 9:00am	Open meeting	Mr. Sok Sothy Deputy Governor of Koh Kong
9:00am- 10:00pm	Extension of MAFF proclamation on the establishment of management area of mackerel fisheries <i>refugia</i> in Koh Kong	Mr. Leng Sy Vann, Deputy Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
10:00pm-11:00pm	Extension of MAFF proclamation on the establishment of management area of <i>Batagur Baska</i> and indigenous crocodile in Koh Kong	Mr. Ouk Vibol, Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
11:00pm-12:00pm	Discussion on establishment of technical working group for management of protection and conservation area	Mr. Sok Sothy Deputy Governor of Koh Kong and Mr. Ouk Vibol, Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
12:00pm-2:00pm	Lunch break	All
2:00pm-3:00pm	Discussion on establishment of technical working group for management of protection and conservation area	Mr. Sok Sothy Deputy Governor of Koh Kong and Mr. Ouk Vibol, Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
3:00pm -4:00pm	Discussion on Next Plan	Mr. Ouk Vibol, Director of Department of Fisheries Conservation
4:00pm-4:30pm	Closing a meeting	Mr. Sok Sothy Deputy Governor of Koh Kong
03 October 2019		
9:00am -1:30pm	Leaving Kep for Phnom Penh	All

ANNEX 3

Participants' Photos attending consultation meeting on the establishment of technical working group for management of protection and conservation area in Koh Kong on 02 October 2019

