NAM KAM – XE BANGHIENG M-IWRM TRANSBOUNDARY PROJECTS

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Project Area



Linkage among Outcome 1, 2 and 3





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TBWG MEETING

	Meeting	Date	Venue	Purpose
	1 st TBWG	20/05/2015	Dusit Hotel, Sakon Nakhon, Thailand	To set up TBWG, its structure, and roles (TOR)
	2 nd TBWG	25/08/2015	OSV, MRC, Vientiane, Lao PDR	To revise the PIP, propose the concept note of the reciprocal study visits, and finalise the TOR
	3 rd TBWG	10/03/2016	Nong Han Elegant Hotel, Sakon Nakhon, Thailand	To discuss the Joint Report of Wetland Management between Nong Han and Xe Champhone, and revise the PIP
	4 th TBWG	26/05/2016	Phonepasueth Hotel, Savannakhet, Lao PDR	To discuss the Joint Report of Wetland Management between Nong Han and Xe Champhone, and revise the plan for Outcome 3.
þ	5 th TBWG	4/11/2016	Dusit Hotel, Sakon Nakhon, Thailand	Same as the 4 th TBWG



CATEGORY OF 15 PILOT AREAS

1. Rainfed and drought area 2. Flood risk area 3. Intensive irrigated area 4. Partial irrigated area **5. Adjacent or within wetlands** (joint activities with XB) 6. Watershed area or foothill area 7. Urban area 8. Multi-geographical area



CATEGORY OF PILOT AREA

- 1. Infrastructure
- 2. Land use
- 3. Village area
- 4. Cultivated crops
- 5. Husbandry
- 6. Water resources
- 7. Forest



QUESTIONNAIRE FOR WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

- 1. Information of Social/tradition/ culture/tourism
- 2. Occupation Information (Agriculture, Raise animals, Fisheries, Processing, Employee)
- 3. Resources and Environment Information
- 4. Economics / Economy / Industrial Information
- 5. Information of Water Resources Management

Shared with NKWG during the 1st TBWG Meeting on 20 May 2015

Additional questionnaire on fishery issues in Nam Kam Sub-basin in cooperation with Sakon Nakon Fishery Research Center

QUESTIONAIRE AND DATA COLLECTION IN XBH

Due to the lack of information XBH generated and adjusted questionnaire from NK to collecting data after the 1st TWG meeting between NK and XBH.



Lesson Learnt

Responsiveness

(1) Establishment Process

- Discontinued on project implementation and readiness of 15 pilot areas.
- Implemented activities firstly in readiness pilot areas then adapted to other areas;
- Informed WG members periodically.

(2) Implementation

Local leaders acceptable on Sub-district WG. Some pilot areas are not ready to implement the project causing project disruption.

- Sub-district WG members have influence on area based planning which comprised with various members i.e. local administrative, local agencies, academic, local experts;
- Convinced sub-district leaders and key persons in sub-district on basin planning and linkage with district and province planning;
- Lessons learnt from the implemented areas were employed in the rest of the pilot areas.

Lesson Learnt

Responsiveness

(2) Implementation

Human resources capacity building supports to basin planning in sustainable way.

- Continuous: According to learning process, NKWG members are the key persons to share experiences and share knowledge to the new comers and network. However, the working is based on voluntary basis which required times and sacrifice. Sometimes, the representatives from sub-district are not continued. NKWG try to build capacity to interested persons and working as network to keep work continuity in the area;
- Capacity building of Sub-district WG: During Sub-district WG establishment process, there were no plan for capacity building themselves. NKWG had engaged and guided them on planning process which applied to their existing works.

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Lesson Learnt

Responsiveness

(2) Implementation

Solving water resources problems in sustainable way is based on knowledge, data/information, cooperation and area based requirement.

Lacking experts and efficient tools that the Subdistrict WG apply in the pilot area effectively.

- Structural development only can't solve water resources problems, it's required cooperation and human resources development together;
- Sustainable development is from realistic requirement from the area;
- This project supports water resources management by communities.

- Requested experts from academic and relevant agencies as well as TNMCS worked closely with WGs (based on availability);
- Selected and applied available tools to the project area;
- Plan and work together with experts.

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Lesson Learnt	Responsiveness
(2) Implei	mentation
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Social media application is used for communication among WG members and relevant agencies, use VDO recorder for project activities.	 NKWG has been used LINE for communication unofficially, useful data/information for basin management is updated such as daily meteorological report, Nong Han water level, flood situation and important activities in basin; Important project activities have been recorded in VDO which can be reviewed and promoted project.

Lesson Learnt	Responsiveness
(2) Implei	mentation
Communication training and application are useful to disseminate project activities to public.	 NKWG brief activities in the project area report to MRCS periodically and use for promote project to public. In addition, WG members have on the job training how to communicate to public and promote project benefit.
Integration project outcomes/outputs with area requirement, increasing benefit of the project.	 Following Sub-district WG in pilot areas, NKWG expands scope of work to set up working network for <i>Integrated Nong</i> <i>Han Wetland Management Plan</i>. The objective is to formulate Nong Han Management Road Map. Outcome 1 and 2 are directly used for the new project.



Lesson Learnt

Responsiveness

(3) Project Management

- MRCS financial system affected to project implementation (8 July – 16 October 2014)
- Financial training was conducted after project implementation;
- Unclarified financial document: standard forms, imprest account, supporting documents.

- Financial training should be conducted before project implementation;
- MRCS officers should be clarified on financial system and guide project officer with possible practice;
- Close coordination and consult MRCS officers when have doubtful issues.

NKWG has learnt financial standard process and will be applied in other projects.

Strengthen financial capacity by on the job training.

Outcome 2 Exchange of experience visit in wetland management Joint Report on Wetland Management between Nong Han and Xe Champhone

Revise

review and identify the issues of wetland management

Literatures

Review

Analyse data/info. from the reciprocal visit and risk analysis Knowledge questionnares sharing

IWRM Participatory Approach to enhance dialog, collaboration, and knowledge sharing

Develop methodology and concept note for reciprocal visit and risk analysis

Collaborating

Develop methodology for risk analysis and conduct risk analysis workshops

(early of 2016)

Exchange experiences

Conduct the reciprocal visits: Nong Han Visit (Oct. 2015)

Xe Champhone Visit (Dec. 2015)



Xe Champhone visit to Nong Han 14 – 16 October 2015













Nong Han visit to Xe Champhone 4 – 6 November 2015













Scope for Transboundary Cooperation and Exchange Issues

- Water, related resources and environmental management,
 Economic exchange (e.g. agriculture, livestock, fishery, tourism),
- 3. Cultural exchange,
- 4. Joint natural resources utilization (e.g. water resources and fishery),
- 5. Data and information exchange and sharing (sensitive topics will be avoided), and
- 6. Physical impacts of climate change adaptation.

Recommendation from the Joint learning issues and Risk Analyses

It is vital to wisely preserve and conserve the wetlands.
 Awareness and involvement of the people on sustainable water use and sharing should also be promoted.

- **3.** Participatory approach: participation of all stakeholders is a key factor in promoting wetland sustainable development.
- **4. Sustainable development** should carefully be planned holistically with the **participation** of relevant stakeholders.
- 5. Equitable and sustainable water use can be enforced *via* water regulations or agreements.

Recommendation from the Joint learning issues and Risk Analyses

- Wetland management should be conducted integrately to coordinate relevant agencies and stakeholders, a single body of a wetland management e.g. wetland management committee (WMC).
- 7. Data and information base should be developed, maintained, and shared within the wetlands and between other wetlands, and accessible by all stakeholders.
- 8. Climate change adaptation and mitigation policies and programme should be prepared and implemented. People should be informed, aware and trained to cope with the impacts of climate change.

Transboundary Wetland Management between Nong Han-Thailand and Xe Champhone-Lao PDR

<u>Community level</u>: joint training/meeting of community leaders could be organised to strengthen the dialogues and exchange experience on, for example, wetland and environmental management, and climate change adaptation.

Local government level: local government bodies of both Thailand and Lao PDR may organise joint meeting to exchange their experience and other aspects such as policy, regulation, and issues on wetland management. A focal point or *liaison* officer could be appointed for each party.

National level: government-to-government and ministry-to-ministry collaboration. Joint understanding, agreement, plan, and policy that facilitate joint transboundary goal and interest could be developed.



NK-XB Training Workshop on GIS Mapping 22 – 23 March 2017, Savannakhet, Lao PDR



1. Introduction on GIS 2. Existing GIS database in each area 3. Set up coordinate point and apply 4. How to overlay and apply in the area 5. Analyze data/information and map preparation 6. Sharing experience on ground truth 7. Update data/information 8. Monitoring natural resources in the area 9. Next step

SIMILAR DATA COLLECTION IN 2 AREAS

- Population structure
- Infrastructure
- Tradition and cultural activities
- Tourism attraction
- Land use
- Cultivated crops
- Husbandry
- Fishery tools
- Soils
- Groundwater uses
- Water resources
- Forest
- Local topographic uses
- Natural products in area uses
- Incomes
- Expenses

NEXT STEP

- Input data/information from questionnaire to GIS
- Analyze joint data/information
- Summarize database preparation process
- IWRM TOOLS (SHARING EXPERIENCES)
- Joint learning (process, tools, experience, lesson learnt)
- Draft outcome 3 report