

COURSE CURRICULUM

Course Title

Regional Training Course on Fisheries Management to Combat IUU Fishing for Fishery Managers

Course Period and Venue

The course will be held from 6 to 15 September 2011, at the Training Department TD in Samut Prakan Province, Thailand.

Background

Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing is a major worldwide threat to the sustainability of fish stocks and marine biodiversity. It can also cause considerable losses to fishing fleets operating legally that could be confronted with unfair practices in fishing grounds and in markets, and can be detrimental to coastal communities in developing countries, where fish products represent the major source of food supply and play an important role in poverty alleviation.

Guided by the Resolution on Sustainable Fisheries for Food Security for the ASEAN Region Towards 2020, the need to enhance collaboration among government agencies that have the responsibility to address fisheries and fisheries-related issues, and in order to harmonise policies, plans and activities that support sustainable fisheries, food security at the national and regional levels, the senior officials of ASEAN-SEAFDEC Member Countries adopted the Plan of Action on Sustainable Fisheries for Food Security for the ASEAN Region Towards 2020 to be used as a guideline in developing programs, projects and activities in accordance with the provisions in the Resolution. With regards to marine fisheries management and specifically on IUU fishing, the Senior Officials of ASEAN-SEAFDEC Member Countries specified on the need to *strengthen regional and national policy and legislation to implement measures and activities to combat IUU fishing, including the development and implementation of national plans of action to combat IUU fishing, and promote the awareness and understanding of international and regional instruments and agreements through information dissemination campaigns*. In addition, the need to *facilitate consultative dialogue among fisheries legal officers to share, at the sub-regional/regional level, perspectives of the respective legal and regulatory framework in terms of developing MCS-networks and to implement efforts to combat IUU fishing*, is also provided for in the Plan of Action. Moreover, the Plan of Action also stipulated the importance of *building up the capacity among Member Countries, including functions for regional and sub-regional cooperation, to effectively meet the requirements of port state measures and flag state responsibilities*.

This training course targets the fisheries managers who are normally responsible for providing information to decision makers during policy formulation and transforming policy into management planning. This course aims to encourage fishery managers to cope with the situation of overcapacity and unsustainability of the fisheries resources in their respective countries through policy formulation and also design fishery management plans effective for combating IUU fishing that suit each country's conditions.

Course objectives

1. To enhance the awareness, knowledge and experience of fisheries managers on sustainable fisheries especially in reducing IUU fishing through effective fisheries management
2. To introduce countermeasures, approaches and methods in combating IUU fishing
3. To strengthen the practical competence of fisheries managers in planning and implementing applicable fishery management plans and action to combat IUU fishing.

Course Description

This training course has three components:

- Component I: Compose of lectures/discussion: The objective of this component is to provide and exchange information on the situation of fisheries management to combat IUU fishing in the Southeast Asian region. Specific lectures and discussions will include the overview of fisheries and IUU fishing in Southeast Asia, IUU fishing and its impact on the economies and environment, responsible practices as well as selective fishing gears and devices in reducing bycatch/discards, fishing license and boat registration systems, flag state responsibilities and port state measures, market measures and mechanism, laws of the sea and enforcement, concept of MCS (Monitoring, Control and Surveillance) and its implementation, ecosystem approach to fisheries management, roles/functions of governance in combating IUU fishing as well as co-management and locally-based approaches which can be applied to combat IUU fishing.
- Component II: Field trip and visit to Saputsakorn fishing port, and related places concern.
- Component III: Two days workshop on “Way forwards to combat IUU fishing in each country”

Eligible Participants

A total of 15 participants comprising fishery managers with a minimum attainment at Bachelor’s degree level or five years practical experience in fisheries management especially with regards to combating IUU fishing.

Course Contents

The training course will be conducted in English. The subjects would deal with fisheries management concepts, counter measures and approaches to combat IUU fishing and case studies.

The course will include lectures, group discussions, and related places visit. The elements of the course will consist of:

Subjects of presentation and discussion:

- Over view of fisheries and IUU fishing in Southeast Asia
- IUU fishing and its impact on the economies and environment
- The Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries: CCRF
- Regional Guideline for Responsible Fishing Operation in Southeast Asia
- Responsible fisheries to Combat IUU fishing
- International Plan of Action to prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (IPOA-IUU)
- Flag State Responsibilities and Port State Measures in combating IUU fishing
- Fishing license and boat registration system to combat IUU fishing
- Concept of MCS (Monitoring, Control and Surveillance) and its implementation
- Market measures and mechanism in combating IUU fishing
- Governance and co-management approach in fisheries management
- Critical ecosystem for sustaining fisheries and ecosystem approach to fisheries (EAF)

Two day workshop:

- Two days workshop on “Way forwards to combat IUU fishing in each country”
 - Country reports on the National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU fishing (NPOA-IUU) and or existing measures and lessons learned in combating IUU fishing in each country
 - Country reports on “plan of action on the way forwards to combat IUU fishing in each country”

Study trip and excursion programs:

- Visit to Samutsakorn fishing port.
- Visit to Nakornsawan Inland Fisheries Development Center
- Visit to Bungboraped, the largest fresh water awamp in Thailand

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Date	Time	Activities/Subjects	Resource person
5 Sep. 2011 (Mon.)		Arrival at TD	TD staff
6 Sep. 2011 (Tue.)	0900-0915 hrs.	Registration	course staff
	0915-0930 hrs.	An introduction to SEAFDEC	
	0930-1000 hrs.	Opening ceremony	SG, DSG, Division Heads, course staff, and staff concerns
	1000-1045 hrs.	Course orientation	ITRDH, and course staff
	1045-1200 hrs.	TD's facilities Observation	course staff
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1600 hrs.	International Plan of Action to prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (IPOA-IUU)	Dr. Somboon S.
7 Sep. 2011 (Wed.)	0900-1030 hrs.	IUU fishing and the situation of IUU fishing in Southeast Asia	Mr. Bundit C.
	1030-1200 hrs.	The Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries: CCRF and Regional Guideline for Responsible Fishing Operation in Southeast Asia	Mr. Bundit C.
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1600 hrs.	Preparation: Country reports on the National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU fishing (NPOA-IUU) and or existing measures and lessons learned in combating IUU fishing in each country	Course staff and participants
8 Sep. 2011 (Thu.)	0900-1000 hrs.	IUU fishing and its impact on economic and environment	Mr. Isara C.
	1000-1200 hrs.	Responsible fisheries to Combat IUU fishing	Mr. Isara C.
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1600 hrs.	Critical ecosystem for sustaining fisheries and ecosystem approach to fisheries (EAF)	Dr. John P.
9 Sep. 2011 (Fri.)	0900-1200 hrs.	Concept of MCS and its implementation	Mr. Bundit C.
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1600 hrs.	Governance and co-management approach in fisheries management	Ms. Supaporn A.
10 Sep. 2011 (Sat.)	0730-1600 hrs.	Visit to Samutsakorn fishing port.	Course staff
11 Sep. 2011 (Sun.)		Free	
12 Sep. 2011 (Mon.)	0900-1100 hrs.	Flag State Responsibilities and Port State Measures in combating IUU fishing	Mr. Kamonpan
	1100-1200 hrs.	Fishing license system	Mr. Kamonpan
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1400 hrs.	Boat registration system	Mr. Kenji Matsumoto
	1430-1600 hrs.	Market measures and mechanism in combating IUU fishing	Mr. Pramual R.

Date	Time	Activities/Subjects	Resource person
13Sep. 2011 (Tue.)	0730-1700 hrs.	Study Trip to Nakornsawan -Visit Nakornsawan Inland Fisheries Development Center and sight seeing around Bungboraped.	Course staff
14 -15 Sep. 2011 (Wed.to Thu.)	Workshop on Way forwards to combat IUU fishing in each country		
14 Sep. 2011 (Wed.)	0900-1200 hrs.	Country reports on the National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU fishing (NPOA-IUU) and or existing measures and lessons learned in combating IUU fishing in each country	All course resource persons
	1200-1300 hrs.	Lunch	
	1300-1600 hrs.	Report preparation on practical plan of action to combat IUU fishing	All course resource persons
15 Sep. 2011 (Thu.)	0900-1200 hrs.	Country presentation on “Way forwards to combat IUU fishing in each country”	All course resource persons
	1200-1330 hrs.	Lunch	
	1400-1500 hrs.	Course evaluation	Mr. Bundit C., Ms. Panitnard T. and course staff
	1500-1600 hrs.	Closing ceremony	ITRDH and staff concern SG, DSG, Division Heads, resource persons, course staff and staff concerns