



#### Prospectus

Online meeting with FiA/Cambodia in implementing the inland EAFM for Boeung Tonle Chhmar, Northern part of the Tonle Sap Lake, Cambodia

20 May 2022

#### 1. Introduction

The need to apply an ecosystem approach to capture fisheries management is now globally accepted and has been endorsed in several international fora. This approach represents a move away from fisheries management systems that focus only on the sustainable harvest of target species, towards systems and decision-making processed that balance environment well-going with human and social well-being, within improved governance frameworks. Regarding to this, SEAFDEC/TD carried out the Essential Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (E-EAFM) Training Courses to strengthen capability of the fisheries officers in both marine and inland fisheries of Cambodia. Furthermore, SEAFDEC/TD conducted the Training of Trainers on E-EAFM (TOT-E-EAFM) after the E-EAFM Training led to the EAFM core team were set up for Cambodia. This core team could be the main persons to help the country for sustainable fisheries management based on the EAFM concept. In 2018-2019, there are several activities which were carried out in aiming to strengthen capability of the fisheries management team (EAFM core team) of Cambodia through the Human Resource Department (HRD) project learning site and its implementation which is in the coastal area at Kampot and Preah Sihanouk Provinces, Cambodia.

SEAFDEC/TD and Cambodia select the pilot site for the application of EAFM of inland fisheries of Cambodia in Boeung Tonle Chhmar, Tonle Sap Lake of Cambodia. This site has been selected because it is important spot for conservation of habitat and diverse biodiversity in Tonle Sap. It is important breeding and growing grounds of fish, birds, reptile, and mammals. Fishing is almost the main livelihood activity for the communities living in Boeung Chhmar. In 2019, Cambodia with supported from SEAFDEC/TD conducted the series of the Meetings to draft the EAFM plan for Boeung Tonle Chhmar. The officers and key stakeholders drafted EAFM plan and action plan. There are several activities should be implemented for fishery resources management, good governance, and human well-being.

In this connection, SEAFDEC/TD continue support Boeung Tonle Chhmar to implement some activities according to the draft EAFM plan. Therefore, "the online meeting with FiA/Cambodia in implementing the inland EAFM for Boeung Tonle Chhmar, Northern part of the Tonle Sap Lake, Cambodia" will be conducted on 20 May 2022 for selecting the activities to implement in this 2022.

## 2. Objectives

To meet and discuss with FiA officers and EAFM core team of Cambodia. The purposes of the meeting are to;

- Select the management activities from the draft of EAFM plan to implement in Boeung Tonle Chhmar
- Discuss on the procedure to implement the activities including the financial support for Boeung Tonle Chhmar

# 3. Expected Outputs

The online meeting will produce the following outputs:

- The management activities were defined
- The procedure for implementing the activities were clarified
- The financial support for implementing the activities were clarified

## 4. Target Participants

20 participants who are the high-ranking fisheries officers (2 persons) and EAFM core team for Cambodia (5 persons), Provincial and local officers (7 persons), and SEAFDEC/TD (6 persons).

## 5. Tentative Program

Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	
0930-1000	Introduction of the SEAFDEC's project activity for Cambodia in 2022
1000-1045	Presentation on the draft EAFM plan in Boeung Tonle Chhmar
1045-1100	Coffee break
1100-1200	Discussion on the management actions will be implemented in Boeung Tonle Chhmar
1200-1300	Lunch
1300-1330	Discuss on the financial support the management action in Boeung Tonle Chhmar
1330-1345	Conclusion of the Meeting