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National Extension Forum for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

In CAMBODIA



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1. About Public Agricultural Extension in Cambodia

- In Cambodia, there is a public agricultural extension namely Department of Extension for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DEAFF) under Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).
- DEAFF plays an important role to provide the service to extension agents in all level and also transfer the information, technique and technologies to all relevant stakeholder and farmers through the suitable methodologies: participatory approach, mass extension, field demonstration and ICT extension.
- **However**, the DEAFF is still limited on the appropriated approach or methodology that can build up the capacity of the extension service. In 2020, the key result found by the AIS assessment in Cambodia supported by the TAP-AIS Project, is to strengthen the DEAFF capacity and build up the country network or fora that can share and improve its network by learning and experiencing the adaptable technology all around the region and the world.



2. Initiative of National Forum for Extension on Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (NaFE)

- In 2021, there was an AIS assessment achieved in Cambodia led by the country project team under TAP-AIS project. One of the key result is to strengthen to capacity of DEAFF.
- At that time, a letter of agreement between FAO and DEAFF was signed, one of the activities is to ***establish of national network of advisory services providers (pluralistic providers).***
- In 2022, the NaFE was intervened and started by several virtual trainings provided a specialize center namely Centre for Research on Innovation and Science Policy (**CRISP**).



3. Activities and Primary Achievement of the NFE in Cambodia

- A Sensitization Workshop on Country Network of Extension and Advisory Services Providers was launched on 29th March 2022 with the purposes:
 - *Disseminate the nation fora to all relevant stakeholders*
 - *Introduction to Country Networks of Extension Providers: How it is organised, what role it can play and how it is related to regional and global networks*
 - *Share experiences from Regional and Country Networks from other regions by CRISP*
 - *Group the core team to implement further activities of the network.*





3. Activities and Primary Achievement of the NFE in Cambodia (Con't)



- Next, a core team meeting was conducted and discussed on the draft term of reference (ToR) of the national network with the following manners:
 - *Sharing the knowledge and discussing to find the proper ways to develop the concept note of nation network*
 - *Discussing on the draft ToR of national network including, the name of country network and proposed member, vision, mission, objective, responsibility and function.*
 - *Further plans ...*





3. Activities and Primary Achievement of the NFE in Cambodia (Con't)

- Last but not the least, an official launch event on “National Forum for Extension on Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries” was prepared by Department of the DEAFF on 30th September, 2022 with the specific objectives as follows:
 - Disseminate the national forum for extension service providers in Cambodia
 - Sharing the lesson-learnt, knowledge and experiences of the existing global networks by the specialist from CRIPS
 - Discussing the next steps towards strengthening the forum and develop implementation arrangement.





4. Action Plan

- ✓ To review on all related document and finalize the concept note of the NaFE and submit to MAFF for further endorsement
- ✓ To bring the Concept note of the NaFE to the **National Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Technical Subcommittee (NAFFTSC)** and **Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Extension Advisory Committee** for reconsolidating and deciding the way of establishment the NaFE

5. Challenges

- ✓ Limit experience on collaboration with the country networks globally
- ✓ Duplicate the duty and responsibility of the NAFFTSC, which has been established since 2019. The NAFFTSC is similarly created to improve the extension service but in national level.
- ✓ Require to differentiate or consolidate the term of references of the NaFE in order to avoid the duplicated the responsibilities with the NAFFTSC by **replicating or enlarging the NAFFTSC to regional and global network represented Cambodia**



**Thank you
for your attention**