



Dissemination workshop on national agriculture innovation system in the Lao People's Democratic Republic: Assessment findings

08 July 2021 | 01:00 - 05:00 P.M. (time in Lao People's Democratic Republic)

Venue: Meeting Hall, National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI), Vientiane Capital, Lao People's Democratic Republic

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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The TAP-AIS project is funded by the European Union's DeSIRA initiative in nine countries, including the Lao People's Democratic Republic, and aims to assess countries' agricultural innovation systems (AIS) and provide needs-based capacity development based on the Common Framework developed by the Tropical Agriculture Platform (TAP; http://www.fao.org/in-action/tropical-agriculture-platform/en/). The project is implemented in close collaboration with national government partners and key AIS organizations. In the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the project will focus on scaling out the achievements of the CDAIS project and on applying tools and methodologies of the Framework to assess the AIS, strengthen key research and extension organizations with the objective to address gaps and capacity needs as well as strengthening mechanisms for improving policies and strategic processes.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the workshop is to share with participants the main findings of the agricultural innovation system assessment conducted in the Lao People's Democratic Republic from January to June 2021. In particular, outcomes include:

- To develop an understanding of agriculture innovation system (AIS) in the Lao People's Democratic Republic;
- To share the AIS assessment findings; and
- To discuss how to promote and accelerate agriculture innovation system in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

AGENDA

| Time | Topic | Responsible |
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| 1:00 – 1:25 | Registration | All Participants |
| 1:30 – 1:35 | Welcome participants and meeting objectives | Dr. Phonevilay Sinavong, NAFRI, MAF |
| 1:35 – 2:00 | Opening remarks | Dr. Chanhsamone Phongoudom, DDG, NAFRI, MAF Mr. Muhammad Nasar Hayat, FAO Representative Ms. Assunta Testa, Delegation of the European Union to Lao People's Democratic Republic |
| 2:00 – 2:05 | Photo session | All Participants |
| 2:05 – 2:15 | Introduction to TAP-AIS Project | Ms. Vornthalom Chanthavong, TAP-AIS |
| 2:15 – 2:35 | Presentation on results of AIS assessment at the national level | Dr. Phonevilay Sinavong, NAFRI and TAP-AIS |
| 2:35 – 2:45 | Questions and discussion | Ms. Sengphachanh Sonethavixay, TAP-AIS |
| 2:45 – 3:00 | Coffee break | All Participants |
| 3:00 – 4:00 | Panel discussion | Moderator: Ms. Sengphachanh Sonethavixay, TAP-AIS, |
| | | The panelists: Mr. Bounchanh Kombounyasith (DDG, DRDC) DG/DDG, DTEAP Mrs. Khammone Luanglath (Head of TMAC) Mr. Khammoune Xaymany (Chairperson of LFN) Mr. Bounthieng, Lao AgriBusiness Association |
| 4:00 – 4:30 | Plenary discussion: Summary of key outputs and announcement | Ms. Sengphachanh Sonethavixay, TAP-AIS |
| 4:30 – 4:50 | Closing remarks | Mr. Selvaraju Ramasamy, Head of the Research and Extension Unit, FAO HQ / Meeting co-chairs |

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