SIX MONTH PROGRESS REPORT OF THE JOINT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS
For the Period: December 2005 - May 2006

*This questionnaire on progress made by each Joint Technical Working Group is requested by the Secretariat of the Government-Donor Coordination Committee (GDCC). It should be completed and submitted to the Secretariat of the GDCC before **29 May 2006**. It will be used to prepare a summary progress report for the seventh GDCC Meeting scheduled to be held on 14 June 2006. Please return the completed questionnaire to H.E. Mr. Chhieng Yanara at CDC/CRDB in both soft and hard copies.*

TWG: FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

A. PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING TWG'S ACTION PLANS

1. Please list below activities in the Action Plans that were scheduled to be implemented during the last six months (December 2005 to May 2006) and provide an update on implementation
status of these activities.

Scheduled Activities	Implementation Status			
	On Schedule	Behind Schedule	If behind schedule, reasons for delay	TWG Recommendations for GDCC Consideration, if any
i. Establish and support a permanent Secretariat for the TWGFSN within the Council of Agricultural and Rural Development (CARD) to facilitate inter-ministerial networking and coordination on FSN issues	X			
ii. Mainstream FSN into the sectoral planning of the relevant ministries and the PIP	X			
iii. Provide Inputs during the 1st review/monitoring of the NSDP with regard to FSN	X			
iv. Update and disseminate the Food Security Atlas to concerned stakeholders so that their interventions can be focused on areas which are the most at risk	X			
v. Support FIVIMS in Cambodia and link it to existing Information Systems for FSN relevant data and information (CamInfo, Food Security Atlas, FSNIS)		FIVIMS development and link to other information systems	No funding for FIVIMS support available between 12/2005-5/2006. An EC-funded FAO support project to FIVIMS Cambodia (food security information for action) will start in the next months. A workshop on FSN information systems will be organized early July by CARD and MAFF to streamline various initiatives on FSN-related information management and avoid doubling of efforts and achieve synergies	
vi. Maintain, update and provide input to the food security and nutrition information system (FSNIS) in CARD	X			
vii. Develop capacity, procedures and mechanism to more comprehensively incorporate FSN issues into the local government planning process		Integration of FSN issue in local-level planning	Capacity building at decentralized level and better integration of FSN issues in the decentralized planning process will be piloted in one province supported through the FAO/Netherlands partnership project on food security policy for poverty reduction (project started with a delay of 5 months)	

viii. Extend the National Programme for Food Security and Poverty Reduction (NPFSPR)		Extension through identification of funding for NPFSPR	NPFSPR Program proposal (basket of 53Mil$) was drafted by MAFF but could not be presented in a timely manner before the last CG meeting. NPFSPR will be an element of the Agriculture and Water Strategy and the program will be promoted, jointly by MAFF and CARD, for funding before the next CG meeting	
ix. Develop a social safety net policy to ensure Food Security and Nutrition for the most vulnerable groups of the population (JMI)		Identification of funding for implementation of safety net development	A proposal has been developed but funding has not yet been identified to support the development of a safety net policy for vulnerable groups	
x. Develop a Nutrition Surveillance System to monitor FSN (JMI)		Identification of funding for implementation of nutritional surveillance	A proposal has been developed but funding has not yet been identified to support the development of safety net policy for vulnerable groups	

2. Are there any other issues affecting the implementation of TWG Action Plan that it would like to submit for GDCC's consideration.

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B. Progress on Joint Monitoring Indicators

3. If there are any Joint Monitoring Indicator(s) agreed at the 8th CG Meeting held in March 2006 that fall within the mandate of *this* TWG, please list the JMIs below and indicate progress that has been made toward achieving the JMI targets.

Joint Monitoring Indicator	What is the current implementation status? What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any? What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?
i. Develop a Nutrition Surveillance System to monitor FSN	Rationale for and objectives of a nutritional surveillance system (NSS) in Cambodia were discussed in the TWG and experiences from other countries presented. A task force from various line ministries and NGO to develop the design and implementation mechanism of a NSS will be established in the next months. Search for funding is still ongoing.
ii. Develop a social safety net policy to ensure Food Security and Nutrition for the most vulnerable groups of the population (JMI)	Rationale for and objectives of a safety net policy, with NCDM as the main actor, was discussed in the TWG. However, funding has not yet been identified.

C. Implementation Status of the Action Plan on Harmonization, Alignment and Results

4. What actions have you taken to implement the updated Harmonization, Alignment, and Results Action Plan? What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any? What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?

Action Taken	Update
i. Missions of donors in the area of FSN were coordinated through TWG	
ii. Efforts to avoid duplication of efforts in the areas of FSN information management (coordination of donors, stakeholder workshop)	
iii. Large scale national program for food security and poverty reduction developed in coordination with TWG-A/W	

D. RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

5. Has the TWG been able to mobilize the resources to implement its Action Plan for 2006?

☑ yes (for some activities) ☐ no

If no, please answer the following questions:

- What is the total amount of resources the TWG had estimated to implement its Action Plan for 2006? (in USD) 360.976 (FNPP-food security policy for poverty reduction); 80,000 (WFP/FS-Atlas Cambodia); 249.492 (FAO-EC food security program – food security information for action-)
- What is the minimum additional amount that the TWG needs to implement its Action Plan? (in USD) 300,000 (establish nutrition surveillance system – NSS -); 300,000 to establish safety net policy. Also, noted that initial funds to further formulate and prepare the implementation "National Programme for Food Security and Poverty Reduction (NPFSPR)" is also desirable (50 million USD donor basket) .....
- Which development partners do you think would be able to provide the required resources? USAID (for NSS), possible donor -Japan Human Security Fund for safety net, donors engaged in rural poverty reduction and food security/nutrition for NPFSPR.....

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