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AND MACHINERY (APCAEM)**

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No. 12, Yumin Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100029, P.R. China

**The Fourth Session of the Technical Committee of UNAPCAEM
10-12 February 2009
Chiang Rai, Thailand**

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Monday, 9 February 2009 Arrival of Participants & Registration

Tuesday, 10 February 2009

08:30 - 09:00 hrs Registration

09:00 - 09:20 hrs **Opening of the Session**

- Opening statement by Mr. Amitava Mukherjee, OiC/Senior Economic Affairs Officer of APCAEM
- Welcome address by Mr. Kasem Prasootseangjun, Policy and Plan Analyst, Office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Thailand

09:20 - 09:40 hrs **Group Photo taking**

09:40 - 10:00 hrs Networking break

10:00 - 10:10 hrs **Election of Officers**

The Technical Committee will elect a Chairperson and a Rapporteur.

10:10 - 12:00 hrs **Work Report (draft) of APCAEM 2008** (power point presentation by OiC/Senior Economic Affairs Officer of APCAEM)

Draft Work Plan for 2009 (power point presentation by Senior Export of APCAEM)

Proposed Outline of the Programme of Work for the Biennium 2010 – 2011 (power point presentation by Senior Export of APCAEM)

Discussion on the above presentations

12:00 - 13:30 hrs Lunch break

13:30 - 15:00 hrs **Presentation of a study report** (based on the project on “Green” Technology to Promote Agricultural Sustainable Development -- feasibility study on the Application of Green Technology for Sustainable Agriculture Development: Assessing the Policy Impact in Selected Member Countries by Mr. Gunjan Gautam on behalf of Mr. Bishwambher Pyakuryal, Professor of Economics at Tribhuvan University, Nepal)

Discussion on the study report

15:00 - 16:00 hrs **Country presentation** (25’ for each presentation and 5’ for discussion)
The country presentation will focus on the proposed thematic topic of Strategic Approach to the Improvement of Agricultural Productivity towards Food Security in Asia and the Pacific. Specifically,

1. Soaring food price and fluctuating energy price and their challenges on food security and sustainability
2. Impacts of global climate change on agricultural production and challenges for agricultural technology
3. Agricultural Engineering and Machinery technology for food security and agricultural sustainability (for an aim to identify adaptive engineering technologies as the priority of APCAEM’s professional activities for food security and sustainable agriculture development of the Asian and Pacific developing countries.)

by

- Thailand (the host country): Mr. Viboon THEPENT, Senior Expert in Agricultural Engineering, Department of Agriculture
- Viet Nam: Dr. Tran Manh HUNG, Head of National Electrical Mechanical Laboratory, Vietnam Institute of Agricultural Engineering and Post-Harvest Technology

16:00 - 16:20 hrs Networking break

16:20 - 17:50 hrs **Country presentation** (Cont’d) by

- Sri Lanka: Mr. M.H.M.A. BANDARA, Senior Engineer, Farm mechanization Research Centre, Department of Agriculture
- Philippines: Dr. Arsenio N. Resurreccion, Dean and Professor, College of Engineering and Agro-industrial Technology, University of the Philippines
- Mongolia: Mr. D. GALSANBUYAN, Director, Agricultural Technical Division, External Cooperation Department

18:30 - 20:00 hrs Welcome reception jointly hosted by Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives of Thailand and APCAEM

Wednesday, 11 February 2009

08:30 - 10:30 hrs **Country presentations** (Cont’d) by

- Malaysia: Dr. Ibni Hajar RUKUNUDIN, Director, Mechanization and Automation Research Centre, MARDI

- India: Dr. M.M. PANDEY, Director, Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
- Indonesia: Dr. Agung HENDRIADI, Head of Research Program Division, Indonesian Center for Agricultural Engineering Research and Development
- Iran: Mr. Reza Sarrafian MOHAMMAD, Agricultural Mechanization, Expert/Director, Agricultural Machinery Testing Centre, Ministry of Jihad-e-Agriculture

10:30 - 10:50 hrs Networking break

10:50 - 12:20 hrs **Country presentations (Cont'd) by**

- Fiji: Mr. Lakshman MUDALIAR, Director, Department of Land and Water Resource management, Ministry of Agriculture, Sugar and Land Resettlement
- DPR Korea: Mr. Sun Won JONG, Permanent Representative to UNESCAP and Counsellor, DPRK Embassy in Thailand
- China: Prof. Maohua WANG, Chinese Agricultural University

12:20 - 13:30 hrs Lunch break

13:30 - 14:30 hrs **Country presentations (Cont'd) by**

- Bangladesh: Mr. M. Harun-ur-RASHID, Director General, Agricultural Research Institute
- Expert: Mr. Mohammad Aslam KHAN, Professor, Department of Geography, University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan
“ Environment, Climate Change and Food Security in Asia Pacific”

14:30 - 14:45 hrs Networking break

14:45 – 17:30 **Interaction and consultation on project ideas and formulation based on the country presentations**

18:00 hrs Dinner

Thursday, 12 February 2009

08:00 – 09:00 hrs **Adoption of the report**

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