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ASIA AND PACIFIC COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

Twenty-ninth Session

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
22 – 25 November 2021
(virtual meeting)

Provisional Timetable¹

Monday, 22 November 2021

13.30 hours

AGENDA ITEM 1: OPENING CEREMONY

- 13.32 – 13.41 hours: - Welcome Remarks by Mr Zandanshatar Gombojav,
Chair of the Parliament
- 13.41 – 13.50 hours: - Welcome Remarks by Mr Batdavaa Batmunkh,
Chairperson of National Statistics Office of Mongolia
- Welcome video from the Government of Mongolia
- 13.50 – 13.59 hours: - Remarks by Mr Kadarmento, APCAS Chairperson,
Statistics Indonesia
- 13.59 – 14.08 hours: - Address by Mr Vinod Ahuja, FAO Representative to Mongolia,
on behalf of FAO Assistant Director-General and Regional
Representative for Asia and the Pacific
- 14.08 – 14.17 hours: - Address by Mr Pietro Gennari, Chief Statistician of FAO,
FAO Headquarters Rome

¹ All proposed times correspond to the Ulaanbaatar time zone (GMT+8). Participants are requested to sign in 5 to 15 minutes before the start of the meeting each day.

14.17 – 14.26 hours: - Opening Speech by Mr Mendsaikhan Zagdjav,
Minister for Food, Agriculture and Light Industry of Mongolia

14.26 – 14.30 hours: - Vote of Thanks by Ms Sangita Dubey, APCAS Secretary

14.30 – 14.45 hours VIRTUAL PHOTO SESSION & BREAK

14.45 hours AGENDA ITEM 2: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Presided by the Outgoing Chair, Indonesia)

14.45 – 14.50 hours: - Election of Officers
(Chair, Vice-Chairs and Drafting Committee²)

14.50 – 14.55 hours: - Word by the Co-Chairs of APCAS29, Mr Batdavaa Batmunkh
(Chairman, National Statistics Office, Mongolia) and
Mr Ganzorig Bulgankhuu (Head of International Cooperation
Division, Policy and Planning Department, Ministry of Food,
Agriculture and Light Industry)

14.55 – 15.00 hours: - Adoption of agenda

15.00 hours AGENDA ITEM 3: FAO'S ACTIVITIES IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, AND FOLLOW-UP TO RECOMMENDATIONS FROM APCAS28

Session Chair: Philippines

15.00 – 15.15 hours: - Implementation of the Recommendations of the 28th APCAS
Session (FAO Regional Office for Asia-Pacific)

15.15 – 15.30 hours: - Response rates to FAO questionnaires (FAO Statistics Division
and Office of the Chief Statistician)

15.30 – 15.45 hours: - Progress of the RAP region in reporting the SDG indicators
under FAO custodianship (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)

15.45 – 16.00 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Wrap-Up
(Moderated by the Philippines)

16.00 hours CLOSE OF DAY

² *Drafting Committee will meet during the mornings of 23 – 25 November 2021, from 11.00 –12.30 hours (GMT +8, Ulaanbaatar time)*

Tuesday, 23 November 2021

13.30 hours **AGENDA ITEM 4: IMPACT OF COVID19 AND ADAPTATIONS OF STATISTICAL OPERATIONS**

Session Chair: Nepal

- 13.30 – 13.45 hours: - Impact of COVID-19 on agricultural censuses in Asia Pacific (FAO Statistics Division)
- 13.45 – 14.00 hours: - Methodological adaptations and strategies for remote collection of FIES (FAO Statistics Division)
- 14.00 – 14.25 hours: - Country Experiences Panel (Fiji, India, Lao PDR) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Break (Moderated by Nepal)

14.25 hours **AGENDA ITEM 5: CHALLENGES AND METHODOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT FOR COLLECTING SDG INDICATORS IN ASIA AND PACIFIC**

Session Chair: Mongolia

- 14.25 – 14.40 hours: - Measuring progress toward SDG targets (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 14.40 – 14.55 hours: - Accelerating FAO support on SDG monitoring (Regional Roadmap and Toolkit) (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 14.55 – 15.10 hours: - Guidelines on data disaggregation for SDG indicators using survey data (FAO Office of the Chief Statistician)
- 15.10 – 15.30 hours: - SDG 2.1 indicators in the Pacific (Pacific Community)
- 15.30 – 15.45 hours: - Computation of farm-based SDG indicators: Indonesia's experience in conducting Agricultural Integrated Surveys (Indonesia)
- 15.45 – 16.00 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by Mongolia)

16:00 hours **CLOSE OF DAY**

Wednesday, 24 November 2021

13.30 hours **AGENDA ITEM 6: 50X2030 INITIATIVE AND STATISTICAL INNOVATION IN AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS**

Session Chair: United States

13.30 – 13.45 hours: - Implementation of the 50x2030 Initiative in Asia Pacific (FAO Statistics Divisions)

13.45 – 14.00 hours: - FAO's Statistical Data Lab (FAO Statistics Division)

14.00 – 14.15 hours: - Implementation of AGRIS in Cambodia (Cambodia)

14.15 – 14.40 hours: - Country Experiences Panel (Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations & Break (Moderated by United States)

14.40 hours **AGENDA ITEM 7: USE OF EARTH OBSERVATION DATA FOR PRODUCING AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS**

Session Chair: India

14.40 – 14.55 hours: - Using earth observation for producing agricultural statistics (FAO Office of Chief Statistician)

14.55 – 15.10 hours: - Using earth observation data for producing environmental statistics (FAO Statistics Division)

15.10 – 15.25 hours: - Earth Observation derived crop mapping to help produce agriculture statistics (Australia)

15.25 – 15.40 hours: - Land cover mapping through remote sensing and machine learning for Indonesian Census of Agriculture 2023 (Indonesia)

15.40 – 15.55 hours: - Experience in crop data using remote sensing techniques (Mongolia)

15.55 – 16.10 hours: - Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by India)

16.10 hours **CLOSE OF DAY**

Thursday, 25 November 2021

13.30 hours **AGENDA ITEM 8: ENHANCING FISHERY, AQUACULTURE AND FORESTRY DATA – ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES**

Session Chair: Fiji

- 13.30 – 13.45 hours: - Enhancing fishery and aquaculture statistics: international perspective (FAO Fisheries Division)
- 13.45 – 14.00 hours: - Open Foris - free and open source tools and methods for data collection, analysis and reporting (FAO Regional Office for Asia and Pacific)
- 14.00 – 14.20 hours: - Country Experiences Panel (Philippines, Samoa) and Roundtable Discussion on Proposed Recommendations (Moderated by Fiji)

14.20 – 14.30 hours **AGENDA ITEM 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS (VENUE, DATE, TOPICS FOR NEXT APCAS)**

14.30 – 15.40 hours **AGENDA ITEM 10: PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS**

15.40 hours **AGENDA ITEM 11: CLOSING CEREMONY**

- 15.40 – 15.45 hours: The Head of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Environment, Food, and Agriculture, Government of Mongolia
- 15.45 – 15.50 hours: Chairpersons of APCAS29
- 15.50 – 15.55 hours: FAO Director of Statistics Division
- 15.55 – 16.00 hours: FAO Regional Statistician for Asia and Pacific

16.00 hours **CLOSE OF APCAS29 (Moderator)**