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# ANNEX-4 DECISION DOCUMENT ON MONITORING & EVALUATION

# Fourth Senior Official Meeting (SOM 4)

## under the

# Coral Triangle Initiative (CTI – CFF) On Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security

Adopted on 21 October 2009 by the Governments of Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Timor-Leste

#### I. BACKGROUND

### 1. Roadmap discussions on Monitoring & Evaluation

The issue of Coordination Mechanisms has received significant attention by CT6 governments over the past year

- At CCC1 (Jakarta; May 2008), CT6 governments agreed on the inclusion of Monitoring & Evaluation as a Section in the Regional Plan of Action, recognizing the importance of effective monitoring and evaluation to the success of CTI implementation program.
- At CCC2 (Honiara; September 2008), agreed to establish a working group, to be led by the Philippines, to further examine and refine the quantitative targets under each of the five goals.
- At CCC3/SOM2 (Manila; October 2008), CT6 governments agreed to establish a
  working group to finalize the monitoring and evaluation plan and develop a set of
  measureable indicators with tentative numerical targets for each indicator. Indicators will
  be devised for quantitative targets under goals of the Regional Plan of Action. The
  working group will be comprised, but not limited to technical experts from the WorldFish
  Center, NGOs (TNC, CI and WWF), the Asian Development Bank and several
  government agencies. Framework and strategy to develop monitoring and evaluation
  goals, targets and indicator have been inserted in Section VI on Monitoring & Evaluation
  in the draft of CTI RPOA called Manila Draft.
- At CCC4 (Manado; February 2009), the Monitoring & Evaluation Working Group (MEWG) presented results of their work covering goals, targets, indicators and pertinent information for each indicator follows in a set of tables (one table for each goal of the RPoA)
- At SOM3 (Port Moresby; March 2009), due to limited time for discussion on this issue, CT6 governments agreed to only adopt the original text of Section VI on Monitoring & Evaluation in Manila Draft, as the Section VI for the final draft of CTI Regional Plan of Action (RPOA). This implies that the Section VI has not accommodated results from the MEWG yet. However, CT6 governments stated that there may be a need to revisit Section VI of the RPoA (covering Monitoring and Evaluation).
- After SOM3, monitoring & evaluation section has never been discussed on two Summit Preparatory Committee meetings (Jakarta, April 2009 and Manado, May 2009.
- This document will bring back the latest adopted Sections and the latest Working Groups' meetings results for consideration, discussion and resolution in the SOM4.

### 2. Objectives of discussion at SOM 4

The M&E Working Group is on hold until it is re-energized or reconstituted. The M&E Working Group completed its initial tasks and provided the input to the RPoA as requested by formulating an M&E system with indicators. There is a draft which was not included in the RPoA in its entirety. Rather an outline of the M&E system was included but not the indicators or targets for the most part were decided upon because it was thought that until each country comes up with reasonable targets, there is not much point of putting out regional targets that do not have a sound basis of agreement. Thus, what is needed is for the M&E Working Group to be tasked with the next task, e.g. finalizing indicators, targets

and the system to track the information through a state of the Coral Triangle Report. This will also require some support since a "state of the CT Report" would be an undertaking that requires data and coordinated effort.

Thus, reforming the M&E Working Group is the first decision that is needed. Then, assigning the group several tasks as noted would set the process in motion. The first task should be to set the baseline for the indicators and targets as formulated earlier.

#### Supporting document:

- Section VI of the CTI RPOA
- Results of the Monitoring & Evaluation Working Group (draft indicators)

#### **II. DECISIONS**

### **DECISION-1: Adopting the indicators**

AGREE to further review the draft indicators for adoption in 2<sup>nd</sup> Ministerial Meeting (MM2)

#### **DECISION-2: Reforming the Monitoring & Evaluation Working Group (MEWG).**

AGREE to continue the mandate of MEWG, to develop the whole monitoring and evaluation system and present the draft to SOM5 in 2010

#### **DECISION-3: Setting Quantitative Targets**

AGREE to recommend to the National CTI Coordinating Committees (NCCC) to initiate the identification of quantitative targets by November 2009.