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Annex 8

## Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand

## Regional Meeting on Indicators for Fisheries *Refugia* Management and Discussion on Project Follow-up

A-one The Royal Cruise Hotel, Pattaya City, Chonburi Province, Thailand 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## FOLLOW-UP THE RESULTS FRAMEWORK OUTPUTS

- 1. In the process on the project monitoring and evaluation (M&E), the agreed Project Document on "Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand" mentioned very clear to follow UNEP standard monitoring, reporting and evaluation processes and procedures. It is also noted that the project M&E plan have to consistent with the GEF Monitoring and Evaluation policy. Regarding this, the Project Results Framework presented in Annex 1, includes SMART indicators for each expected outcome as well as mid-term and end-of-project targets, will be used as a guideline for effective implementation to meet the project outcomes.
- 2. Refers to the clause 197 of the Project Document mentioned that the M&E plan can be reviewed and revised as necessary during the project inception workshop to ensure project stakeholders understand their roles and responsibilities vis-à-vis project monitoring and evaluation. The PCU therefore includes this agenda with aims to strengthen the country implementation that needs to achieve the project outputs and outcome as required from the project.
- 3. Considering the expected outputs of each project component as mentioned in the Annex 1 are able to summarize as follows:

Components	Expected Outputs
1) Identification and management of fisheries and critical habitat linkages at priority fisheries <i>refugia</i> in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand	<ul> <li>14 fisheries refugia profile reports (Annex 3-template), including GIS maps &amp; site characterizations, published</li> <li>14 published management plans and 24 annual reports</li> <li>Quarterly reports [224] of network meetings and activities [including list of participants and results of work]</li> <li>4 annual partnership reports</li> </ul>
2) Improving the management of critical habitats for fish stocks of transboundary significance via national and regional actions to strengthen the	<ul> <li>6 published national reviews and recommendations for reforms of national, provincial and municipal regulations/ordinances for responsible fishing practices at priority <i>refugia</i></li> <li>6 endorsed revised policies</li> </ul>

enabling environment and knowledge-base for fisheries refugia management in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand (Annex 2) 3) Information Management and Dissemination in support of national and regional-level syndicated implementation of the fisheries *refugia* concept in the South China Sea and **Gulf of Thailand** 

- 6 published national guidelines on establishing and operating fisheries refugia
- 6 national reports on policy, legal and institutional aspects of *refugia* establishment and management published
- Endorsed policy and executive orders, provincial/local ordinances and by-laws
- 6 endorsed National Action Plan for the management of priority fisheries refugia and associated biodiversity
- 1 endorsed Regional Action Plan for fisheries refugia
- 96 quarterly and 24 annual reports on fish stocks and habitats published online
- 6 databases online and populated with datasets
- 6 national and 1 regional Geographical Information System online and populated with site-based information
- Characterisations for 14 refugia sites accessible online
- 1 modelling system online
- 4 published reports of the results of demonstrations
- 6 online national and 1 regional catalogue of best practice approaches and measures 24 communications on best practices published and
- 24 awareness materials published online
- Annual reports of outreach programmes at 14 priority locations, including tracking of extent of community acceptance [56 reports]
- 6 online national web portals on fisheries refugia
- 6 published GEF IW experience notes (one per country and one regional) on application of fisheries refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand
- Information and education materials accessible at SEAFDEC and online
- 1 endorsed regional report on "Standardized Methods for Collection and Analysis of Data and Information, for the use in Assessing the Impacts of Fisheries Refugia and in the Designing of Appropriate Indicators for Long Term Management of the Regional System of Fisheries Refugia" published online
- 4) National and regional cooperation and coordination for integrated fish stock and critical habitat management in the South China Sea and Gulf of **Thailand**
- 6 NFRC Terms of Reference and 48 biannual meeting reports (joint management decisions and participant lists)
- 6 NSTC Terms of Reference and 96 quarterly meeting reports (scientific and technical advice and participants
- 14 Management Board Terms of Reference and 224 quarterly meeting reports (joint management decisions and participant lists)
- RSTC Terms of Reference and 4 annual meeting reports (documenting scientific and technical advice and participant lists)
- PSC Terms of Reference and 4 annual meeting reports (documenting joint decisions and participant lists)
- Terms of Reference and contracts for project coordination unit staff