

Overview & expected Outcomes of 4th Annual Mekong Flood Forum

Theme:

Improving Flood Forecasting and Warning Systems for Flood Management and Mitigation in the Lower Mekong Basin







The MRC Flood Management Programme (FMP)

Flood Forecasting and Warning is a key component of the FMP

and is an important activity of the

Regional Flood Management and Mitigation Centre (RFMMC)







RFMMC aims at

- maintaining regional flood related information, data and tools
- providing regional flood forecasts
- supporting the member countries in developing and operating flood forecasts and warning systems directed to flood affected communities



The Mekong Flood Forum is an Annual event of RFMMC



The Forum provides the venue

to discuss emerging needs and to review the progress each country has made towards a holistic and balanced flood management plan.

to strengthen cooperation and information exchange among the MRC member countries, the international community, International Organizations and Civil Society organizations.







- to share lessons learned on the recent floods by the concerned agencies
- to present and discuss the current status of the flood forecasting and warning systems of the MRC-RFMMC and the National Centres
- to review and assess the capabilities of the National Agencies, responsible for flood forecasting and warning, and learn about their future plan







- to contribute to the future roadmap development of RFMMC
- to learn how RFMMC will develop a practical basis for supporting the National Agencies dealing with flood forecasting and warning activities
- to discuss requirements for national and regional forecast systems, forecasting technologies / dissemination systems appropriate for the LMB, at both riparian and regional levels







- to exchange experience, best practices and ideas with international community, academic institutions, IOs and CSOs on technology, institutional strengthening, and community based flood warning systems
- to strengthen cooperation and information exchange among the international community, IOs and CSOs



Process of the 4th Annual Mekong Forum



- Presentations of country papers by MRC member countries, and upstream dialogue partners
- Presentations by RFMMC
- Presentations by International / regional organisations, experts
- Posters and Exhibits
- Focussed Group Discussions
- Open Forum







- List of Lessons learned from recent floods faced by member countries with a list of recommendations for improving the flood forecasting and warning services
- Recommendations to RFMMC for an effective regional flood forecast
- Recommendations to RFMMC and National Line Agencies / Flood Centres on a pragmatic cooperation







- A document for future reference and follow up (proceedings of AFF-4)



Thank you