

Questionnaires

The FMM Strategy, Programme, and other MRC-based agreements provide the framework under Component 1 for data collection and exchange, technical and human capacity development, technology transfer, and other ongoing activities. This Annual Mekong Flood Forum further identifies areas of cooperation needed to advance the theme: “Improving Flood Forecasting and Warning Systems for Flood Management and Mitigation in the Lower Mekong Basin” and the “Roadmap.”

A. What are your comments / suggestions to the RFMMC’s “Roadmap for the development of Flood Forecasting System”?

Activities	Comments / Suggestions
Short term forecast (1-5 days) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present system? • Use by national Centers? • Use by others? • Areas of Improvements? 	
Medium term forecast (6-15 days) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses? • Data requirements? • Rainfall data • Water level and flow data • Tributary forecasts 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modelling requirements? • Technical and human capacity? • Data exchange? • National commitments? • Time frame (operational by 2009)? 	
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B. What are the lessons learned from the recent floods?

Category	Activities	Lessons learned
Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data from within the country • Data from / to MRC 	
Forecast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tools • Products 	
Warning and Dissemination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeliness? • Warning message understood by Communities • Warning disseminated to affected communities? • Community Involvement? 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback? • Integration with flood preparedness activities? • Others? 	
Institutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-agency coordination • Coordination between national flood Centres - RFMMC 	

C. What practical next steps can be agreed to from your group towards advancing?

Category	Possible Activities	Practical Next Steps
Data collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data network redesign • Consider regional protocols for data-collection • Share development and maintenance lessons learned • Compare hydrologic records at trans boundary points • Other activities? 	
Data and information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt specific exchange 	

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exchange?	<p>protocols</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer more data and information to exchange with regional partners • Request other data and information from regional partners • Compare community based products • Other activities? 	
Technical and human capacity development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange technical personnel with partners in the region? • Undertake joint development projects • Collaborate on joint training programmes • Establish ongoing working relationships among national centres during the flood season • Other activities? 	
Technology transfer?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share custom-designed software applications? • Share technology experience 	

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	<p>(acoustics, transducers, communications, hydrologic and atmospheric models.....)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other activities? 	
Other Categories		