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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Inaugural Meeting of the PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG) was held at the People's Hall in Haikou City, Hainan Province, People's Republic of China on 13 December 2006. The Meeting was organized in conjunction with the East Asian Seas Congress (EAS) 2006 and hosted by the State Oceanic Administration of PR China (SOA), Hainan Provincial Government and Haikou City Government.
- 1.2. The Meeting was attended by 130 delegates from 26 integrated coastal management (ICM) sites, namely Bali (includes the seven Regencies of Badung, Buleleng, Denpasar, Gianyar, Karangasem, Klungkung and Tabanan, and Sukabumi (Indonesia), Batangas, Bataan and Cavite (Philippines), Chonburi (Thailand), Danang and Quangnam (Vietnam), Nampho (Democratic People's Republic of Korea), Port Klang (Malaysia), Shihwa (Republic of Korea), Sihanoukville (Cambodia), Xiamen and the 10 ICM parallel sites in PR China (Panjin, Leting, Dongying, Qingdao, Lianyungang, Quanzhou, Yangjiang, Fangchenggang, Haikou and Wenchang), as well as representatives from PEMSEA.
- 1.3. A full list of participants and the Meeting program are attached as Annex 1 and 2, respectively.

2. OPENING CEREMONY

2.1. The Meeting was opened by Dr. Li Haiqing, Director General of the Department of International Cooperation, SOA, and Dr. Chua Thia-Eng, Regional Programme Director of PEMSEA. Dr. Li highlighted that local governments are at the forefront of our battles against unsustainable practices of marine resource utilization and degradation of precious marine and coastal habitats. In view of their challenging role, local governments are in critical need of strengthening their managerial, technical, institutional and financial capacities with regard to ocean and coastal governance.

- 2.2. The official founding of the PNLG as a local government-driven and a sustainable regional network, through the signing of the PNLG Charter, was highly recognized by both speakers as a benefit to local governments in various ways. According to the PNLG Charter, the PNLG will facilitate the exchange of ideas and lessons learned among local government members, build awareness within communities and among stakeholder groups on the need and benefits of responsible use and management of natural resources, and serve as an advocacy group for local governments at regional and international forums, promoting the socioeconomic and ecological benefits of ICM and advancing policy reforms in support of integrated management of coastal and marine resources.
- 2.3. As the PNLG is now only at its infant stage, Dr. Chua emphasized that the commitments and continued interest of local governments are essential to the sustainable operation of the PNLG. In particular, he requested the active participation of local leaders in PEMSEA's work toward the scaling up of ICM throughout the region in line with the implementation of the Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia.
- 2.4. The opening speech by Dr. Li is contained in Annex 3.

3. THE MEETING SESSION

3.1. Signing of the PNLG Charter

- 3.1.1. Dr. Jihyun Lee, Senior Programme Officer of PEMSEA, provided the Meeting with a slide presentation on the essential elements of the PNLG Charter. She began with a background of PNLG evolution, explaining the Bali Resolution on the establishment of the PNLG, which was adopted in April 2005 in order to transform the current regional network to a sustainable and local government-driven network as a driving force for enhancing local coastal governance. In accordance with the recommendations of the Bali Resolution, a Charter Drafting Group was formed, including representatives of Bali, Bataan, Danang, Shihwa and Xiamen, which prepared a draft PNLG Charter in October 2005. Since then, the draft PNLG Charter was reviewed and endorsed by respective local governments for official signing. Dr. Lee then briefed the Meeting on the key elements of the PNLG Charter including its Preamble, Name and Office, Vision and Mission, Goal and Objectives, Membership, Benefits/Roles/Obligations, Governing Body, Officers, Committee, Secretariat, Annual Forum, Funds, and By-laws and Amendments. A copy of Dr. Lee's slide presentation is contained in Annex 4.
- 3.1.2. Eighteen local governments signed the PNLG Charter, namely Bali, Bataan, Batangas, Cavite, Chonburi, Danang, Quangnam, Shihwa (Kyunggi Province), Sihanoukville, Sukabumi, Xiamen, Badung, Buleleng, Denpasar, Gianyar, Karangasem, Klungkung and Tabanan.

3.2. Election of a President and a Vice President

- 3.2.1. Mr. Pan Shi Jian (Vice Mayor of Xiamen Municipal Government, PR China) was elected PNLG President in acclamation, through the nomination of a Bali delegate. Mr. Enrique T. Garcia, Jr. (Governor of Bataan, Philippines) was elected PNLG Vice President in acclamation through the nomination of Sihanoukville delegate.
- 3.2.2. Mr. Pan Shi Jian accepted his responsibility as the President with deep appreciation. He expressed his commitments to contribute to the successful operation of the PNLG, in close consultation with its member governments and PEMSEA. The representative of Gov. Garcia, Mr. Godofredo de Guzman (Environment and Natural Resource Officer of the Province of Bataan), expressed appreciation for the election of the Bataan Governor as the Vice President despite his absence. Mr. de Guzman shared with Mr. Pan Shi Jian the Provincial Government's commitment to the successful establishment and operation of the PNLG, in particular, the scaling up of ICM efforts in the region.

3.3. Statements by Mayors, Governors and Other Representatives

- 3.3.1. The representatives of Bali, Batangas, Bataan, Cavite, Chonburi, Danang, Shihwa, Sihanoukville, Sukabumi and Xiamen joined in expressing their commitment to the continued implementation of ICM as well as their support to the sustainable operation of the PNLG. Highlighted in particular, were the speeches made by Mr. Armando Sanchez (Governor of Batangas), Mr. Erineo Maliksi (Governor of Cavite), Mr. Komsan Ekachai (Vice Governor of Chonburi), Mr. Say Hak (Governor of Sihanoukville), and Mr. Pan Shi Jian.
- 3.3.2. The representative of Bali made a statement on behalf of the Governor of Bali Province as well as the Heads of six Regencies, including Badung, Buleleng, Gianyar, Karangasem, Klungkung and Tabanan, and the municipality of ,Denpasar. He highlighted the "Bali Resolution on the establishment of the PNLG" as an initial starting point for the evolution of the PNLG and advised the meeting of the progress being made in Bali Province with regard to ICM replication. The ICM program, initially started at the southern coast of Bali Province, is now being replicated in the northern coast of Bali using the resources of local governments. The Environmental Impact Management Board (BAPEDALDA) of the Bali Provincial Government, respective agencies in the Regency and municipal governments are taking the lead in building the awareness of stakeholders on the importance of coastal environment and resources.
- 3.3.3. Gov. Sanchez of Batangas informed the meeting that the province has made efforts in the implementation of ICM during the past 12 years together with PEMSEA, and that the successful demonstration in Batangas Bay has promoted the replication of ICM practices in other bays in the Province of Batangas. He indicated his strong commitment

to continue with the existing ICM efforts in partnership with other local governments in the PNLG. The representative of Bataan explained the strong partnership between the local government and the private sector in the development and implementation of the ICM program as the first ICM parallel site of PEMSEA. On behalf of Gov. Garcia, Mr. de Guzman expressed Bataan's strong support to the future operation of the PNLG. Gov. Erineo Maliksi of Cavite joined other local leaders from the Philippines announcing their full commitment and interest in actively participating in PNLG activities to contribute to the strengthening of local coastal governance, together with various local stakeholders, such as the private sector and community members.

- 3.3.4. On behalf of Chonburi Province and eight municipalities, namely Sriracha, Laemchabang, Chonburi, Bangphra, Angsila, Sattahip, Pattaya and Chaoprayasurasak, Vice Governor Komsan Ekachai of Chonburi delivered a statement advising the meeting of the progress made with regard to ICM implementation in the Chonburi coastal area. Through the active leadership of Sriracha Municipality, and using the framework of the Chonburi Coastal Strategy and its implementation plan, ICM is now being replicated in the other municipalities within Chonburi Province. Vice Gov. Ekachai also expressed Chonburi's strong support to the operation of the PNLG. Mr. Nguyen Dinh An, Deputy Director of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment of Danang reaffirmed Danang's offer to host the 2007 Annual Forum of the PNLG and conveyed the commitments of Danang City to actively contribute to the sustainable operation of the PNLG. Shihwa representative introduced the efforts of Kyonggi Province in coastal environmental management, expressing their commitment to join the PNLG activities. Gov. Say Hak of Sihanoukville informed the Meeting of their efforts to promote sustainable tourism development in Sihanoukville, through the implementation of ICM. He emphasized the important role of local leaders in achieving the goal of sustainable development and welcomed the PNLG initiative in this regard. The Sukabumi representative congratulated the group on the founding of the PNLG and expressed strong support to the future operation of the PNLG.
- 3.3.5. Mr. Pan Shi Jian (Vice Mayor of Xiamen) officially announced the establishment of the PNLG Secretariat at the Xiamen Municipal Government, and advised the meeting of the appointment of Mr. Zhou Lumin as the Head of the PNLG Secretariat. Built upon Xiamen's ICM experiences of more than a decade, the Xiamen Municipal Government is strongly committed to share their experiences with other local governments in the region and facilitate exchange of knowledge, information and expertise among the PNLG members. He also recognized Xiamen's future role in promoting the participation of ten ICM parallel sites in PR China to the PNLG as official members.

3.4. Review and Adoption of the PNLG Annual Work Program

- 3.4.1. Mr. Zhou Lumin made a slide presentation on the 2007 Annual Work Program of the PNLG. The key activities of the PNLG in 2007 include: a) organization of the 2007 Annual Forum; b) operationalization of the Secretariat function; and c) cooperation with the PEMSEA Resource Facility in ICM scaling up and environmental investments. The 2007 Annual Forum will be organized in September 2007 and hosted by Danang Municipality. A tentative theme for the Forum is "Addressing coastal poverty by investing in marine biodiversity resources." The Annual Forum will involve a general assembly meeting, a technical workshop and a field trip. An organizing committee shall be set up in preparation of the Annual Forum, which will consist of a President, a Vice President, a PNLG Secretariat, the PEMSEA Resource Facility and the Danang Municipal Government.
- 3.4.2. Secretariat functions will be operationalized, which entail organization of the annual forum; the upload and maintenance of the PNLG website; compilation and updating of the PNLG directory; preparations of a PNLG e-newsletter; the collection of an annual membership fee; fund management; recruitment of new members; and representation of the PNLG at PEMSEA or other international forums. PNLG will cooperate with the PEMSEA Resource Facility for ICM scaling up by facilitating knowledge sharing on ICM good practices, promoting the formation of national network of local governments, cooperating in the organization of ICM study tours, and co-organizing the Xiamen International Forum of Coastal Cities. They will also cooperate on environmental investment through the organization of PNLG technical workshops on policies and institutional arrangements to strengthen public-private partnerships and undertake country consultations on the development of a project preparation revolving fund for local governments. Mr. Zhou concluded his presentation by advising the meeting on the potential funding sources for PNLG operation as well as the 2007 budget.
- 3.4.3. The PNLG members adopted the 2007 Annual Work Program, as presented by Mr. Zhou, and welcomed the offer of Danang Municipality for hosting the next forum in September 2007.
- 3.4.4. A copy of Mr. Zhou's slide presentation is contained in Annex 5.

4. CLOSING

- 4.1. Mr. Pan Shi Jian thanked the representatives from the PNLG members for their official joining of the PNLG, through the signing of the PNLG Charter, and their contribution to the meeting. He also thanked observers present, namely Nampho, Port Klang and ten parallel sites from China for their participation and support to the successful launching of the PNLG.
- 4.2. The Meeting closed on 13 December at 12:30 hours.

Annex 1

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Annex 2

Meeting Program

Inaugural Meeting of PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG)				
Chair: Dr.Chua Thia-Eng, Regional Programme Director of PEMSEA				
0900 – 0915	 Opening Ceremony Mr. Li Haiqing (State Oceanic Administration) Dr. Chua Thia-Eng (PEMSEA) 			
0915 – 0945	 Signing of the PNLG Charter Introduction of the PNLG Charter by Jihyun Lee Signing of the Charter by local representatives 			
0945 – 1015	Election of President and Vice President Election Acceptance Speech			
1015 – 1150	Statements by Mayors, Governors and Other Representatives			
1150 – 1220	 Review and Adoption of the PNLG Annual Programme Presentation of the draft PNLG Annual Programme for 2007 by Mr. Zhou Lumin Adoption of the PNLG Annual Programme for 2007 Next Meeting 			
1220 – 1230	Closing Ceremony • President of PNLG			

Annex 3

PNLG Opening Speech by Dr. Li Haiging

Honorable Governors, Mayors, and local representatives Respectful Dr. Chua Thia-Eng

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good morning!

It is my great honor and happiness to deliver an opening speech at this important event, the Inaugural Meeting of the PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG), which opens a new era of local governments' commitments to our common endeavors toward achieving sustainable ocean and coastal development in the Seas of East Asia.

On behalf of 11 cities and municipalities in China that are implementing ICM in partnership with PEMSEA, I welcome all the delegates to this beautiful island of Hainan.

Today, the PNLG will be officially launched as a local government driven, self-sustaining local alliance, with the signing of the PNLG Charter by local representatives in 13 ICM demonstration and parallel sites in this region.

I was impressed to learn about the evolution of the PNLG. It started with a group of PEMSEA demonstration sites in 2001, when it was first established under the name of Regional Network of Local Governments implementing ICM (RNLG), through the facilitation of PEMSEA. Since then, each local government has taken its turn to host the annual meeting, including the Shihwa ICM site in 2001, Xiamen Municipal Government in 2002, Port Klang ICM site in 2003 and the Bali Provincial Government in 2005.

The 4th Annual Forum held in Bali, Indonesia, on April 2005, declared "Bali Resolution on the establishment of PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG)," with a great vision that the PNLG will create a driving force for the scaling up of existing efforts on ICM. In view of daunting challenges ahead of us in implementing the Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia, which was adopted by 12 PEMSEA participating countries in the first EAS Congress in 2003, we sincerely welcome the initiatives of local governments in this region to consolidate, sustain and expand their ICM efforts in a regional network.

Local governments are at the forefront of our battles against unsustainable practices of marine resources utilization and degradation of precious marine and coastal habitats. They are in critical need for strengthening their managerial, technical, institutional and financial capacities with regard to ocean and coastal governance. In this regard, we have a high expectation to the birth of the PNLG, as it will benefit local governments in various ways.

Specifically, the PNLG will facilitate the exchange of ideas and lessons learned among local government members, build awareness within communities and among stakeholder

groups on the need and benefits of responsible use and management of natural resources, and serve as an advocacy group for local governments at regional and international forums, promoting the socioeconomic and ecological benefits of ICM and advancing policy reforms in support of integrated management of coastal and marine resources.

Knowing that the PNLG is still at an infant stage, I would like to request all of you to provide special caring for this initiative so that the PNLG can grow into a steadfast network, achieving the goal of sustainable coastal development.

Finally, I would like to again give my warmest congratulations to the birth of the PNLG. I wish the PNLG a sustainable and long-term success.

Thank you.

Annex 4 Slide Presentation on the PNLG Charter

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The Charter of the PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG)

PEMSEA Secretariat

Transforming Existing Regional Network

- Sustainable
- Driven by local government
- Driving force for enhancing local coastal governance
- Demonstrating ICM

PEMSEA Network of Local
Governments for Sustainable Coastal
Development (PNLG)

 Bali Resolution on the establishment of the PNLG

Bali Resolution recommended to:

- Organize a 5-member drafting group comprised of local government members to draft a PNLG Charter
- Formally adopt the PNLG Charter on the occasion of the EAS Congress 2006 in December 2006

Drafting Group Meeting (Xiamen, Oct 2005)

Bali, Bataan, Danang, Shihwa, Xiamen

Consultations with Local Governments on the Draft Charter (Nov 05 - May 2006)

Official Endorsement by Local Governments for the signing of the Charter (June - Nov 2006)

Elements of the PNLG Charter

- Preamble
- Name and Office
- Vision and Mission
- Goal and Objectives
- Membership
- Benefits, Roles and Obligations
- Governing Body
- Officers
- Executive Committee
- Secretariat
- Annual Forum
- Funds
- Bylaws and Amendments

Vision and Mission

Vision

Coastal areas throughout the East Asian Seas region are managed in a sustainable manner

Mission

To serve as a sustainable network of local governments in the region, which, along with their stakeholders, shall promote the application of ICM as an effective management framework to achieve sustainable coastal development.

Goal

 To facilitate sustainable development and environmental conservation of marine and coastal resources of the region through advocacy, knowledge-sharing, forging multistakeholder partnerships among local governments, national agencies, civil society groups including non-governmental organizations and people's organizations, and the private sector

Objectives

- To enhance the capacity of local governments to plan, develop, and manage their coastal and marine resources for sustainable use;
- To promote the application of ICM approaches, processes and tools in coastal planning, development and management;
- To facilitate the linkage between scientific/technical institutions and local governments, in order to provide capacity building and scientific input to local government decision-making, policies and programs;
- To implement innovative financing mechanisms and partnership arrangements for environmental investments with international and national financial institutions, private investors and operating companies, where appropriate;
- To strengthen multi-stakeholder involvement in managing coastal and marine resources, in order to enhance societal and corporate responsibility for sustainable development of natural resources; and
- To enhance local coastal governance, as well as inter-agency and multi-sectoral coordination mechanism, in dealing with coastal and ocean management issues.

Membership

Categories

- Regular Members : LGUs in East Asian Seas region
- Associate Members: LGUs outside of the region & other partners

Application

 Submit in writing to the Head of PNLG Secretariat, together with the first year's annual membership dues as well as an official document expressing the intention to subscribe to the PNLG Code of Conduct through necessary internal adoption process

Termination of the Membership

- A member may terminate by notifying in writing
- Membership can be terminated if any members fails to perform their roles and obligations and observe the PNLG Code of Conduct

Benefits of PNLG Members

- Participation in the annual network meeting/workshop
- Information exchange concerning specific knowledge, skills and good practices related to ICM
- PEMSEA publications and other information facilities
- Representation at PEMSEA Partnership Council, EAS Congress, and other international forums
- Invitation to participate in the EAS Congress
- Website linkage with PEMSEA and member local governments
- Policy, technical support and training services of the PEMSEA Resource Facility, on a cost-recovery basis

Roles and Obligations of PNLG Members

The PNLG Members shall:

- Attend the network annual meetings at their own cost
- Exchange information, publications and experiences
- Link website with PEMSEA and other members where possible
- Recruit new Network members

In addition, Regular Members shall:

- Pay an annual membership fee of 500 US\$
- Develop, implement, consolidate and sustain ICM programs within their jurisdictions
- Abide by the Code of Conduct for the PNLG members
- Sponsor and host at least one network annual meetings and study tour
- Monitor environmental quality and submit a triennial state of the environment report

Code of Conduct of PNLG Members

- To work towards the development and implementation of institutional arrangements for ICM implementation
- To formulate and implement coastal strategies and action plans
- To implement public awareness programs and to promote a shared responsibility among stakeholders
- To mainstream the ICM program into the local government's planning and socio-economic development program and to allocate adequate financial and human resources for its implementation
- To conduct integrated environmental monitoring for the purpose of measuring the status, progress, and impacts of management programs

Governing Body, Officers & Executive Committee

Governing Body

- General Assembly : composed of regular members
 - Elect the officers of the PNLG
 - Establish and provide policy guidelines and enunciate programs
 - Approve proposed annual work programs, budgets and activities

Officers

President and Vice President : Three year terms

Executive Committee

- Ensure and oversee the implementation of the decisions of General Assembly, and report to GA
 - President, Vice President
 - Executive Director of PEMSEA Resource Facility
 - PNLG Head of Secretariat as the secretary

Secretariat

- Secretariat Office : Xiamen, PR China
- PNLG Head of Secretariat : appointed by the local government hosting the secretariat
- Secretariat Functions
 - Organizing the annual meetings
 - Implementing/coordinating the decisions and actions requested by the PNLG General Assembly
 - Informing network members of relevant activities, events and opportunities among its membership
 - Representing the PNLG within PEMSEA
 - Keeping and maintaining records of the members of the PNLG
 - Collecting all dues, and all donations to the PNLG and disbursing funds
 - Preparing an annual financial and implementation report on the PNLG activities
 - Performing all duties inherent to the office of the Secretariat

Annual Forum and Funds

Annual Forum

- General Assembly Meeting
- Technical Meeting: knowledge sharing, partnership building and monitoring of ICM scaling-up progress

Funds

- Source
 - Membership Fee
 - Operational funds from local governments hosting secretariat
 - Grants and financial assistance from PEMSEA and other partners
 - Fund-raising and other revenue generating activities
- ❖ Management of Funds: for operations and implementation of activities in accordance with annual work plan and budget approved by General Assembly

Local Governments confirmed for Signing

- Bali and 7 Regencies/ Municipality
- Batangas
- Bataan
- Cavite
- Chonburi
- Danang
- Shihwa
- Sihanoukville
- Sukabumi
- Quangnam
- Xiamen

Annex 5

Slide Presentation on 2007 Annual Work Program of PNLG

Inaugural Meeting of the PNLG, EAS Congress, 13 Dec. 2006

2007 Annual Work Programme of the PEMSEA Network of Local Governments for Sustainable Coastal Development (PNLG)

PEMSEA Secretariat

PNLG 2007 Key Activities

- Organization of 2007 Annual Forum
- Operationalization of the Secretariat Function
- Cooperation with PEMSEA Resource Facility in ICM Scaling-Up and Environmental Investment

Organization of 2007 Annual Forum

- **Host**: Danang, Vietnam
- Schedule: September 2007
- Proposed Theme
 - "Addressing coastal poverty by investing in marine biodiversity resources"
- Activities
 - General Assembly
 - Technical Workshop
 - Field Trip

Organization of 2007 Annual Forum

Preparatory Activities

- Formation of Organizing Committee (Jan 07)
 - ✓ President, Vice President
 - ✓ PNLG Secretariat, PEMSEA Resource Facility
 - ✓ Danang Municipal Government
- Preparation of Implementation Plan including venue/dates, forum program, list of invitee, budget, role and responsibilities of committee members (Feb-March 07)
- Issuance of Invitations (April- May 07)
- Travel and Logistics Arrangements (June Aug 07)

Operationalization of Secretariat Function

- Uploading and maintaining PNLG website
- Compiling and updating PNLG directory
- Preparing PNLG E-Newsletter
- Collection of annual membership fee
- Fund management
- Organization of annual forum
- Recruitment of new members
- Representing PNLG at PEMSEA/ international forums

Cooperation with PEMSEA Resource Facility

ICM Scaling-Up

- Facilitating knowledge sharing on ICM Good Practices through the development of "ICM Good Practices Award"
- Promoting the formation of national network of local governments for sustainable coastal development
- Cooperating in the organization of ICM study tours
- Co-organizing Xiamen International Forum of Coastal Cities

Cooperation with PEMSEA Resource Facility

- Environmental Investment
 - ✓ PNLG Technical Workshop on Policies and Institutional Arrangements to Strengthen Public-Private Partnerships in Environmental Investments
 - ✓ Country consultations on the development of a Project Preparation Revolving Fund for Local Governments

2007 PNLG Budget Source

- Annual Membership Fee
- 500 US\$ x 13 members = 6,500 US\$
- Secretariat Operational Fund
- 10,000 US\$
- Contribution of 2007 Annual Forum Hosting Government
- 20,000 US\$ (estimation only, to be confirmed)
- Contribution of PEMSEA Resource Facility for cooperative activities
- **30,000 US\$**

Total: 66,500\$

2007 PNLG Budget Plan

Activity	Cost Estimation (US\$)
Secretariat Operation	10,000 US\$
Annual Forum Organization (local expenses only)	20,000 US\$
Cooperative Activities on ICM scaling-up	10,000 US\$
Cooperative Activities on Environmental Investment	20,000 US\$
Representation at PEMSEA/ International Forums	6,500 US\$
Total	66,500 US\$

Actions requested of the Meeting

The member local governments are invited to:

- Consider adopting the proposed 2007 annual programme and budget;
- Consider establishing an Organizing Committee to organize the 2007 Annual Forum;
- Facilitate the payment of annual membership fee by January 2007;
- Allocate necessary resources for the participation to the 2007 Annual Forum;
- Promote the recruitment of new members;
- Provide necessary support to the conduct of collaborative activities between PNLG and PEMSEA Resource Facility on ICM scaling-up and environmental investment; and
- Request PEMSEA to provide technical and financial assistance to the PNLG secretariat in the implementation of 2007 annual programme