

**COUNTRY PROGRESS REPORT:  
CAMBODIA**

**PSC MEETING OF THE GEF/UNDP/PEMSEA PROJECT ON  
SCALING UP IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SDS-SEA  
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# CAMBODIA

## Summary of Major Achievements/Outputs in 2016-2017

### National Level

- National State of the Coasts Report
  - Inception workshop conducted (August 2016)
  - Inter-ministerial TWG established (Ministerial Ordinance 275, May 2017)
  - 1st draft of NSOC report developed and presented to relevant line agencies (May 2017)



- SDS-SEA Implementation Plan 2017-2022
  - Collaborative planning workshop for the SDS-SEA IP conducted (May 2017)
  - Relevant programs/projects consolidated in the draft regional SDS-SEA IP (2017-2022)



- Participation to regional activities
  - 8th EAS Partnership Council Meeting (July 2016)
  - Annual GOT Contact Points Meeting
  - Expanded Executive Committee Meeting (April 2017)
- Port Safety Health and Environmental Management
  - Stage 1 Audit of Sihanoukville and Phnom Penh Ports completed

Local Level

- 100% coastline coverage for ICM
- Strengthening institutional mechanism for ICM
  - 2nd PMO meeting for 4 coastal provinces conducted (November 2016)
  - Work planning with the coastal provinces conducted (April 2017)
- Membership to the PNLG
  - Kampot, Kep and Koh Kong inducted as new PNLG members (Ansan, RO Korea, September 2016)
- Capacity strengthening of ICM sites



- On-going preparations for the national workshop on ICM, SOC reporting, CS/CSIP (July 31-Aug 2, 2017, Kampot Province)
- On-going arrangements for the participation of 3 staff from Kampot, Kep & Koh Kong to the PEMSEA Traineeship Program (Aug 14-Oct 13, 2017)



- Implementation of on-the-ground activities



Kampot

- Baseline assessment for Prek Thnoat for enhanced seagrass protection completed (December 2016)
- RTF mobilized to conduct marine suitability analysis for the development of coastal use zoning for Kampot (August 2016)

Keo

- RTF mobilized to conduct assessment of saltwater intrusion in Angkoul Commune conducted (November 2016)



Koh Kong

- Baseline assessment for solid waste management in Village 2, Sangkat Dong Trung, Khemrak Phumin conducted. Validation workshop of results and draft report conducted (May 2017)



## Preah Sihanouk

- Kampong Smach
  - Drone survey of the proposed mangrove zones in collaboration with KMI (August 2016)
  - Mangrove productivity assessment conducted by KMI (August 2016)
  - Initial approval of Kampong Smach MFMA, including zoning plan
  - METT assessment for Kampong Smach completed (May 2017)



- Koh Rong/Koh Rong Sanlem
  - Officially declared as MFMA thru Proclamation No. 364, June 2016 of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
  - MGMA Management Plan (2016-2020) developed with support from Coral Cay Foundation, Fauna and Flora International, Marine Conservation Cambodia, FiA, MAFF, Song Saa Foundation
  - Livelihoods assessment completed



- Pollution management in Sihanoukville Municipality
  - Initial data gathered for pollutant loading assessment

## Technical Support for ICM Implementation

- RUPP as member of the PEMSEA Network of Learning Center (PNLC)
  - Baseline assessment in Koh Kong Province
  - Organization of the 2<sup>nd</sup> PMO meeting (November 2016)
  - National workshop on ICM, SOC reporting, and CS/CSIP (July 31-Aug 2, 2017)



- Participation to regional training:
  - Ecosystems Valuation and Marine Spatial Planning (RO Korea, August 2016)
  - Ocean Health Index (Manila, Philippines; March 2017)
  - 2017 PNLC Planning Meeting (Manila, Philippines; March 2017)

### **Existing collaboration with other projects or programmes in the country**

1. Sihanoukville Tourism Association (pollution reduction in Sihanoukville)
2. IUCN (Kampot zoning)
3. Flora and Fauna (MFMA in Koh Rong Sanlem)
4. CORIN Asia (Fisheries and livelihood)
5. GEF Small Grants Program
6. Other projects and programs implemented by the MAFF, MOE Coastal Management Division



## Impacts

- Support for ICM is stronger at the local level
- Strengthened cooperation among the 4 coastal provinces
- Sharing of experiences and working together has improved a lot
- ICM program in Preah Sihanouk is getting more support for implementation from national level, private sector and other partners

## Challenges and Lessons Learned

### Challenges

- Limited coordination among different sectors
- Limited technical and management capacity of local staff in scaling up sites
- Difficulty of engaging other departments/agencies in ICM implementation
- Limited awareness and participation of communities to ICM activities

### Lessons Learned

- There is a need to focus on building the capacity and understanding of local staff in ICM framework and process, and establishing the necessary governance mechanism at the early stages of ICM implementation to ensure that the program gets implemented.

## Budget Summary (2017-2018)

### GEF Budget

2017 – 144,015

2018 – 130,150