

**AGENDA FOR THE 24TH MEETING OF THE
ASIAN REGIONAL WORKING GROUP (ASRWG)**

11 October 2017, 09.00-10.30 hours (Session I)
11 October 2017, 11.00-12.30 hours (Session II)
Mexico City, Mexico

Presented by the Chairman

Year of Establishment: 1996

Mandate: The general objective of the Asian Regional Working Group is to focus on common topics and issues and to enhance the transfer of appropriate technology in irrigation and drainage to and from the Asian Region. The mission of ASRWG is to encourage membership and to coordinate activities in the region.

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ASRWG Agenda Item 1: Action taken report by Chair

1. The Chair will present report on the actions taken on the decisions and proposals made at the working group meeting held at Chiang Mai in November 2016.

2. The nominations of Dr. (Ms.) Mu Than (Myanmar), Mr. Bashu Dev Lohanee (Nepal); Ms. Jeong Min, Ryu – as Young Professional (Korea, Rep. of); Eng. W.B. Palugaswea (Sri Lanka) have been received and are recommended for the membership. In 2016, Mr. Shaimaa Shihab Ahmed and Mr. Ammar Salah Ahmed Manhee (Young Professional) from Iraq were admitted as Provisional Members. They were expect to attend the meetings and/or contribute to the activities of the WG through email/ video conference. The WG will decide about their membership at the 25th meeting of ASRWG in 2018 at Saskatoon, Canada. Eng. Nasser Ahmad Fayaz from Afghanistan was present in WG at Chiang Mai meeting (2016) and ICID membership of Afghanistan National Committee is being followed-up by ICID Central Office. The Chair may apprise the WG on the membership issue.

3. The member from India (Dr. Kota Tirupataiah) has not contributed to the activities of the WG for two years and therefore as per ICID By-law 3.5, he is recommended to be discontinued and new member would be invited from India as well as other NCs. Chairman in consultation with the Central Office has updated the membership of the WG as given at **Annex 1** (*refer electronic version for latest list*). New nominations, if any, for the membership received will be dealt suitably after the meeting.

SUPP: Pakistan National Committee (PANCID) vide their email of 8 September 2017 has nominated Mr. Ahmed Kamal for the membership of the group.

4. Following the successful Side Event jointly organized by ASRWG (WT) and AARDO on “Agricultural water Management of Sustainable Rural Development”, a Special Issue of AARDO Journal has been published in July 2017 which included 10 technical papers submitted during this event. Further, the Technical report of ASRWG (WT) titled “Contribution of Agricultural Water to the Rural Development in Asia” has been completed and will be reviewed during the meeting. The chair may apprise the group about the report at the meeting.

SUPP: On 20 September 2017, Prof. (Ms.) K.S. Choi has informed the Central Office that CEO of KRC could not attend the Mexico meeting due to some unavoidable situation.

ASRWG Agenda Item 2: Road Map to ICID Vision 2030 – Activities in Asian region

5. During Chiang Mai meeting (2016), the group discussed and reviewed the activities of the WG listed in the Action Plan 2030. Referring to the 6 organizational goals of ICID Action Plan 2030, the activities of the ASRWG will include contributions to goals No. 2,3 and 4 by means of special joint technical meetings (with AARDO, 2017), Technical Reports (technical report of ASRWG(WT) will be available in WWF8 (2018), Conference/Workshop (likely collaborating between PAWEES and ASRWG (like joint conference in 2016 in Daejeon City in Korea) and active participation and contribution to WWF8 and Young Professionals program at Beijing, China in September 2017.

6. Based on the inputs from the workbodies at the 67th IEC and fresh inputs received upto March 2017, the Consultative Group (CG) on Action Plan 2030 finalised Action Plan for ICID as presented in their report “A Water Secure World Free of Poverty & Hunger : A Road Map to ICID Vision 2030”. Action Plan for ASRWG as presented

in CG report is given at **Annex 2**. The Chair and the members would provide and deliberate on the latest status of the activities of the action plan.

ASRWG Agenda Item 3: Linkages with Regional and Transnational Organizations for Cooperation

7. During Chiang Mai meeting (2016), the Chairman requested the WG to advise on how to enhance the regional and sub-regional cooperation. In this respect, the regional cooperation between Chinese Taipei (CTCID) and Indonesian National Committee (INACID) and Malaysian National Committee (MANCID) would be presented by the concerned National Committees during the meeting.

8. A Joint Meeting between IRNCID and Italian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (ITAL-ICID) was held on 10 May 2017 to expand their cooperation and exchange of experiences on irrigation and drainage management. On behalf of ITAL-ICID, Dr. Arnaldo Pierleon visited IRNCID Secretariat and participated in a joint session to explore the areas of cooperation between the IRNCID and ITAL-ICID. To encourage inter-NC cooperation, President Dr. Saeed Nairizi participated in the Session. IRNCID and ITAL-ICID decided to develop a cooperative program for dealing with existing challenges in irrigation and drainage sector and go for a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the National Committees of the countries in the near future. In June 2017, IRNCID and Italian National Committee (ITAL-ICID) discussed about the future cooperation between them and also prepared a MOU for this purpose which is under final approval by the Ministry of Agriculture in Italy. Representative of the National Committee/ Chair may apprise further progress on cooperation at the meeting.

ASRWG Agenda Item 4: Developing cooperative arrangements with International Society of Paddy and Water Environment Engineering (PAWEES) and International Network of Water Environment and Paddy Fields (INWEPPF)

9. Following the successful collaboration between PAWEES and ASRWG(WT) on “Agricultural water for the Development of Rural Society in Asia” chaired by Prof. Choi in Korea (Daejeon, October 2016), the President of PAWEES has promised to actively support the ASRWG by preparing a draft proposal for such collaboration. Chairman will appraise the WG about any outcomes of such collaboration.

10. The 14th International Symposium and Steering Committee meeting under the theme “Strengthening Global Partnership for Sustainable and Climate Resilient Irrigation and Drainage Systems Paddy Fields” will be hosted by the INWEPPF-Philippines and the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) during 21-24 November 2017 at Zone Angeles City, Philippines. Members may like to participate in the Symposium.

ASRWG Agenda Item 5: 8th Asian Regional Conference, 2-4 May 2018, Nepal

11. The 8th Asian Regional Conference entitled “Irrigation in Support of an Evergreen Revolution” will be held during 2-4 May 2018 at Kathmandu, Nepal. The NENCID has published the first announcement of the conference. Mr. Madhav Belbase the President of Nepal National Committee (NENCID), and Vice President of ICID will apprise the WG about the conference. For more information and logistics of this event, please visit website <http://nencid.org.np/8th-annual-regionalconference>.

ASRWG Agenda Item 6: Publications of the Working Group

ASRWG Agenda Item 6.1: Technical report of ASRWG-WT “Contribution of Agricultural Water to the Rural Development in Asia”

12. The final report of AWRWG-WT titled “Contribution of Agricultural Water to the Rural Development in Asia” was planned to be published in 2017 (contents in **Annex 3**) and presented/distributed during the 8th World Water Forum (WWF8) in 2018. Prof. Choi, the chair of WT will apprise the WG on the status of this publication.

ASRWG Agenda Item 7: Capacity development programme for Young Professionals from Asian region in 2017, China

13. The Asian Young Professionals (YPs) Training Programme on the theme “Performance Assessment of Irrigation Systems” will be held in China in November / December 2017. It is noteworthy to inform that 10 YPs will be provided with full scholarship to attend the training whereas the rest sponsored by the respective National Committees. National Committee representative from CNCID/ Chair may further update at the meeting.

ASRWG Agenda Item 8: Any other business



NOTES FOR CHAIRPERSON:

1. Draft minutes of this meeting to be submitted to ICID Secretariat at Mexico City (Mexico) after the meeting.
2. Chair to participate and present the WG report to PCSO meeting on 12 October 2017.

A. Membership of Asian Regional Working Group (ASRWG)

Sl. No.	Countries (Year of joining)	Present representatives (Year of Joining)	Remarks
1.	Iran (1955)	VPH Karim Shiati, Chairman, 2006 (1997)	Attended meetings in 2015 & 2016 and contributed
2.	China (1963)	Mr. Wang Aiguo (2016)	Attended in 2016
3.	India (1950)	Dr. Kota Tirupataiah (2012)	No contribution during last 2 years
4.	India (1950)	Dr. Rajinder Kumar Gupta -Direct Member (WAPCOS) (2014)	Contributed an abstract for internal workshop in 2015
5.	Japan (1951)	Mr. Naoki Hayashida (2014)	Attended meetings in 2015 and 2016
6.	Malaysia (1958)	Ir. Syed Abdul Hamid bin Syed Shuib (2013)	Represented by MANCID in 2015 and 2016
7.	Nepal (1973)	Mr. Bashu Dev Lohanee	Nomination received/ Recommended
8.	Thailand (1950)	Mr. Arthon Suttigarn (2012)	Attended meetings 2015 and 2016
9.	Turkey (1954)	Dr. Aynur Fayrap (2012)	Attended meeting 2015 and represented in 2016
10.	Indonesia (1950)	Dr. Mochammad Amron (2015)	Attended meetings in 2015 and 2016
11.	Chinese Taipei (1969)	Dr. Gwo-Hsing Yu (2015)	Attended meeting in 2015 and represented in 2016
12.	Korea, Rep. of (1970)	Prof. (Ms.) Kyung Sook Choi (2015)	Contributed in 2015 and 2016
13.	Korea, Rep. of (1970)	Ms. Jeong Min, Ryu – Young Professional	Nomination received/ Recommended
14.	Australia (1952)	Mr. Stephen Mills (2015)	Attended in 2016
15.	Uzbekistan (1994)	Mr. Ilkhom Juraev (2015)	Contributed in 2016
16.	Iraq (2006)	Mr. Shaimaa Shihab Ahmed (2016)	No contribution
17.	Iraq (2006)	Mr. Ammar Salah Ahmed Manhee - Young Professional (2016)	YP/ No contribution
18.	Myanmar (1962)	Dr. (Ms.) Mu Than	Nomination received/ Recommended
19.	Bangladesh (1973)	Representative from BANCID	BANCID has been requested to send nomination for the Group
20.	Kazakhstan (2006)	Representative from KAZCID	KAZCID has been requested to send nomination for the Group
21.	Pakistan (1953)	Mr. Ahmed Kamal	Nomination received/ Recommended
22.	Philippines (1956)	Representative from PNC-ICID	PNC-ICID has been requested to send nomination for the Group
23.	Saudi Arabia (1977)	Representative from SACID	SACID has been requested to send nomination for the Group
24.	Sri Lanka (1950)	Eng. W.B. Palugaswewa	Nomination received/ Recommended
25.	Tajikistan (1997)	Representative from TAJCID	TAJCID has been requested to send nomination for the Group

B. New nominations received from the National Committee

Sl. No.	Name	Country	Remarks
(1)	Ms. Jeong Min, Ryu – Young Professional	Korea, Rep. of	Recommended subject to her presence or else Provisional Member
(2)	Dr. (Ms.) Mu Than	Myanmar	Recommended subject to her presence or else Provisional Member
(3)	Mr. Bashu Dev Lohanee	Nepal	Recommended subject to his presence or else Provisional Member
(4)	Eng. W.B. Palugaswewa	Sri Lanka	Recommended subject to his presence or else Provisional Member
(5)	Mr. Ahmed Kamal	Pakistan	Recommended subject to his presence or else Provisional Member



ROAD MAP TO ICID VISION 2030 – ACTIVITIES OF WORKBODIES

Goals/ Strategies	Activities	Outcomes/ Outputs	Milestone for Year 2017	Milestone for Year 2018	Milestone for Year 2019	Milestone for Year 2020	Milestone for Year 2021
Goal C: Facilitate exchange of information, knowledge and technology							
C3. Strategy: Promoting Regional Cooperation	3.5 Enhance Linkages between National Committees for International Cooperation	Technical Report					
	3.6 Broaden relationship and mutual understanding and cooperation between NCs from developing countries and developed countries	Collaboration/ MoU	Exchange visits/ training between TUCID and IRNCID MoU between IRNCID and KCID				
	3.7 International conference/ workshop/ seminar	Compilation of proceedings		8 th Asian Regional Conference , May 2018, Nepal			
C4. Strategy: Compile, Collate and Share Knowledge and Experiences	4.4 Special joint Publication on Agricultural Water Management for Sustainable Rural Development	Side Event with AARDO	Special Issue of AARDO Journal				
	4.21 Report on "Contribution of Agricultural Water to the Rural Development in Asia"	Technical Report	Publish the Technical Report based on workshops/ Side Event	Contribute to WWF8			
GOAL D: Enable Cross Disciplinary and Inter-Sectoral Engagement							
D3. Strategy: Facilitate Development of Inter-sectoral Platforms Involving NCs	3.1 Developing inter-sectoral engagement		Collaboration between PAWEES and ASRWG				

(Source: Consultative Group (CG) Report: A Water Secure World Free of Poverty & Hunger: A Road Map to ICID Vision 2030)



**TECHNICAL REPORT ON
"CONTRIBUTION OF AGRICULTURAL WATER TO THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN ASIA"**

▪ **Reviewed papers: 38**

No.	Review papers	Total
1	Part I – Background note: papers (6) Additional paper: 2016PAWEES-ASRWG small conf. (2), 2016ICID SE2 (6)	14
2	Part II – Cases and experiences: papers (15)	15
3	Additional paper: 2016INWEPF WG2 Workshop (9)	9

▪ **Selected papers: 16**

Part I – Background note			
1	Prof. Tai Cheol Kim	Korea	A way to achieve food security and reach an advanced status - Focusing on Korean experience -
2	Mr. Naoki Hayashida	Japan	Contribution of agricultural water to the rural development in Japan
3	Mr. Thierry Facon	FAO	Irrigation and rural development: A changing relationship
4	Dr. Somkiat Prajamwong	Thailand	Transition towards sustainable rural development in Thailand
5	Dr. Mochammad Amron	Indonesia	The role of irrigation development in food security and poverty alleviation in Indonesia
6	Dr. Aynur Fayrap	Turkey	Turkish experiences on irrigation improvement
7	Dr. Gwo Hsing Wu	Taiwan	Agricultural irrigation and rural development
Part II – Cases and experiences			
8	Mr. Masao Miyazaki	Japan	Mechanism of Japan's irrigation and drainage system
9	Dr. Ray Shyan Wu (2)	Taiwan	The impact of agriculture policy to rural water management in northern Taiwan
10	Mr. Soe Myint Tun	Myanmar	Comprehensive approach towards sustaining agriculture development in Myanmar
11	Dr. Kamrul Ahsan	Bangladesh	Process of comprehensive agricultural development project and cases of well-developed models on rural development
12	Mr. Suresh A Kulkarni	India	Achievements and challenges in irrigation development: Experiences from Maharashtra State of India
13	Prof. Kwand-Sik Yoon	Korea	Paddy water environment and rural development in Korea
14	Mr. Arthon Suttigarn	Thailand	Krasae reservoir project: Medium scale project for rural community in eastern region
15	Ms. Le Thi Hong Nhung	Vietnam	Development of BENCHMARKING system for irrigation management in Vietnam
16	Bayani P. Ofrecio	Philippines	Irrigation management transfer program in national irrigation systems of the Philippines

