AGENDA FOR 6TH MEETING OF THE
WORKING GROUP ON ROLE OF IRRIGATION IN POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND LIVELIHOODS (WG-POVERTY)
17 September 2014, 09.00-10.30 hours [Session 1]
17 September 2014, 11.00-12.30, hours [Session 2]
Gwangju, Republic of Korea

Strategy Theme: Schemes
Presented by the Chairman

Year of Establishment: 2008
Completion of the Mandate: 2014

Mandate: (i) Synthesize specific knowledge and experience from the irrigation sector, to design pro-poor actions in a wider understanding of irrigation along the whole rainfed-irrigated continuum (aka agriculture water management), (ii) Look for technical solutions that work within a clearly defined socio-economic context, so that they can be mobilized in a case specific approach, (iii) Emphasize multiple-use (MUS) of irrigation systems as a specific approach to alleviate poverty in this context, (iv) Increasing opportunities for greater and more open participation by the poor, in the development of systems and in the value chain, (v) Building accountability mechanisms that give longer term support and commitment to poverty alleviation initiatives, (vi) Guidelines supported by case studies on how to enhance the poverty alleviation and livelihood improvement impacts of new and existing projects, and (vii) The effect of urbanization on smallholders in peri-urban areas and drawing population from rural to urban areas.

Website: http://wg-poverty.icidonline.org/

WG-POVERTY Agenda Item 1: Action taken report by Chair

1. Chairman may like to present a report on the actions taken on various decisions/ proposals of the WG at the last meeting held at Mardin, Turkey.

WG-POVERTY Agenda Item 2: Membership of the working group

SUPP: The Nigerian National Committee (NINCID) has nominated Engr. M.S. Bala for the membership of the group.

2. The existing membership of the group and their attendance at last two meetings is given in the Annex.

WG-POVERTY Agenda Item 3: Publication of the Working Group – to develop a position paper on ‘Role of irrigation in poverty alleviation and enhancing livelihoods’

SUPP.: In August 2014, Dr. Yohei Sato provided a paper (example from Japan) titled “Role of Irrigation Development in Poverty Alleviation at Rural Community exemplified by a national- and prefectural irrigation development projects for upland fields in Nansatsu District, Southern Kyushu, Japan” as a contribution to the WG.

3. The Chair PH Peter Lee had presented the outline of the draft position paper, identified the target audience for the position paper and elaborated on the scope and need of focusing on the poor with a view to show that irrigation could reduce their vulnerability by promoting multiple use of irrigation systems etc. He had invited contributions from the members.

4. Accordingly, ICID Central Office had requested Mr. Mukhlis Zainol Abidin, Dr. Kevin Andrezejewski, Dr. Henk Ritzema, Dr. Linden Vincent, and Dr. Charlotte de Fraiture to contribute in developing the position paper. In response, Mr. Abidin provided a paper “Food security and poverty alleviation in the millennium development goals: The role of MUDA irrigation project” along with Power Point presentation to the Central Office. Dr. Kevin also provided two pictures for their inclusion in the paper. Dr. Vincent also apprised the Central Office that she had already provided her contribution to PH Peter Lee and was ready to provide any other information, if required.

5. The Chair may like to indicate further progress in finalization and spell out the future plans to finalize the paper as the WG scheduled to be wound up by 2014.
WG-POVERTY Agenda Item 4: Any other business

WG-POVERTY Agenda Item 4.1: Updating ‘Basic Information’ for ICID website

6. During the Mardin meeting, Central Office presented a new section 'Basic information' on various aspects of irrigation and drainage, flood management related topics of relevance to the members of ICID as well as other stakeholders associated with the subject introduced on ICID website. The section explains various terms related to irrigation and drainage for web visitors who may be interested in very basic information about irrigation, drainage, flood management, climate change and irrigation system, and drought management etc. The objective is to make viewers/visitors aware of the core ICID areas of work and basic understanding of agricultural water management.

7. However, there is need to enhance the utility of this section by providing/ guiding layered in-depth information for those visitors, who wants to learn/acquire more knowledge on the subject. Workbody members are requested to contribute in expanding the above basic information further, based on their valuable expertise and inputs and add new relevant titles/ sub-titles, as they deem fit.

8. The collected ‘Basic Information’ is available in the DropBox account created for Gwangju IEC. WG members are requested to review the ‘Basic Information’ related to their area expertise and may like to strengthen/ improve its contents. CO will upload the updated version on ICID website with due credits. A sample example is available in DropBox folder for clear understanding of the objective. Please contact Mr. Madhu Mohanan, Program Officer (icid@icid.org) for clarifications, if any?

Notes for Chairperson:

1. Draft minutes of this meeting to be submitted to ICID Secretariat at Gwangju after the meeting.
2. Chair to participate and present the WG report to PCTA meeting on 19 September 2014

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### Members and their attendance at 2012 and 2013 Meetings

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### Permanent Observer

(i) VPH Alain Vidal (CGIAR Challenge Program)  
(ii) Mr. Andre Roux (South Africa)

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