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**Technical report on the Third Workshop on
Establishment of the National Information
Sharing Mechanism for monitoring
The GPA implementation
In Vietnam**

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1. The second Stakeholder Workshop (SH Workshop) for the establishment of National Information Sharing Mechanism on the implementation of GPA (NISM-GPA) and GPA monitoring in Vietnam, was held at the Plant Resources Center, An Khanh, Hoai Duc, Ha Tay, Vietnam during March 29-30 with the participation of 58 attendants from different stakeholders and organisation of concern (see the list attached).
 2. Chaire persons:
 - Prof. Dr. Ta Minh Son, Deputy President, Vietnam Academy of Agricultural Sciences (VAAS), the Head of the Project's Steering Committee
 - Prof. Dr. Luu Ngoc Trinh, Director, Plant Resources Center, VAAS, The National Focal Point
 3. Dr. Nyat Quat Ng., Chief Technical Advisor, FAO-RAP presented the report on the progress and achievements of the GPA implementation in Asia and the Pacific region
 4. Dr. Luu Ngoc Trinh, Director of the Plant Resources Center (PRC) presented the draft national final synthesis report on the Establishment of NISM-GPA for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of PGRFA in Vietnam
 5. Mr. Nguyen Tien Hung, PRC, presented the database of the NISM-GPA for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of PGRFA in Vietnam
 6. Group discussions were performed and participants actively discussed and gave comments for the followings:
 - Revision and Finalisation of the National Final Synthesis Report, especially on the further detailing of recommendations and priorities
 - Lessons learnt from the establishment process of the NISM
 - Plan for maintenance and improvement of the established NISM
- And, the following are the agreed comments, recommendations and priorities:
- Promote the on-farm conservation and development of specialty local varieties of rice, maize and vegetables through promoting their production, consumption and commercialization.
 - Establishment of in situ/on-farm conservation sites of specialty fruit plants: mandarin in Bac Kan; pomello in Doan Hung (Phu Tho), Dien (Ha Noi), Phuc Trach (Ha Tinh) and Nam Roi (Vinh Lonh); orange in Canh (Ha Noi) and Bo Ha (Nghe An); banana (chuoi Ngu) in Ninh Binh; and mango in Yen Chau (Son La). These special fruits have economical, social and cultural values, but due to ignorance have been degraded and eroded.
 - Review and characterize all the ex situ collections and eliminate the replicates.

- Collecting of PGRFA from construction site of Son La and Cua Dat hydroelectric generation plants, and along Ho Chi Minh road.
- Collecting and conservation of hybrid rice and maize varieties and parental lines. Ex situ conservation is the only option for the conservation these valuable genetic materials containing valuable gene/s useful for crop improvement.
- Collecting, evaluation and conservation of coconut gremlin in Con Dao, an island of Vietnam known to be diverse in coconut cultivars and types which have never been collected and evaluated.
- Collecting, evaluation and conservation of wild soybeans in Hau Giang. It is known that there are different hairy soybeans with high resistance to insects and diseases but have not been collected and studied.
- Promote participation of communities and local institutions in seed production, seed supply and in agro-product marketing and commercialization of local varieties.
- Develop post harvest technology for plant products, especially those of local varieties and traditional plants, such as litchi, longan, banana, taro...
- Evaluate accessions of rice, maize, citrus and legumes in drought and saline tolerance and resistance to the most important pests. This is of great importance to enhancing their use and development for a sustainable agriculture.
- Development of neglected and under-utilized plants such as local vegetables (luffa, some brassica, amaranth), root and tuber crops (taro, yam, canna and kudzu), starchy plant (arenga), and fruit trees (citrus, star apple, grape, strawberry, blue dragon).
- Development of a indigenous knowledge database.
- Development of ATLAT of the most important crops genetic genplasm collections.
- Socialize PGRFA conservation through production and distribution of IEC materials, such as leaflets, videos, CD, and through addressing the issues on mass communication channels (e.g. once a week).
- The National PGR Network to frequently organize workshops/seminars, each with special focus on certain crop/s or issue/s so that participants can better share information and experiences.
- Production of a journal on PGRFA; at the beginning it can be in the form of newsletter published once every 3-4 months; and gradually upgraded to a monthly journal.
- Organize short training courses, e.g. twice a year, for people involved in PGRFA conservation, use and development.
- Propose the government to adopt supportive policies and to issue legal documents governing PGRFA conservation and sustainable use.
- Complete and launch the NISM-website

- Clear designation of duties among members of the national network on PGRFA and stakeholders, especially for the ex situ conservation of different crops, followed by good networking and coordination. This is of special importance for Vietnam to effectively spend the country's limited budget allocated for PGRFA.
 - Recommend the government to increase its budget for PGRFA conservation, including the maintenance of the NISM established.
7. Participants agreed upon further provision by the end of April 2006 of relevant data so that the focal point can complete the database of the NISM
 8. Participants also agreed to provide further and in more detail the recommendations and priorities for the national plant genetic resources network action plans.
 9. At the Workshop conclusion, the representatives from National Focal Point presented the summed up agreed comments and recommendations by all the participants for finalisation. The focal point will on the basis of the workshop comments finalise the National Synthesis Report, and complete the database.

Lists of participants to the workshop

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