

Appendix C Report on the Work of the Consultant's Team

C.1 Mobilization of Consultants

545. The Project started on February 13, 2006 with an initial background work by the Lead Consultant and the International Farming System Specialist in the home-base. The Lead Consultant departed from his home-base on February 17 and reached Phnom Penh on February 19 where he joined the International Farming System Specialist. On February 20 all members of the Consultant Team were mobilized.

C.2 Consultations in Phnom Penh

546. The Consultant's Team conducted the following consultations in Phnom Penh:

1. Briefing AusAID: 20 February 2006
2. Briefing MOWRAM: 20 February 2006
3. AFD: 6 March 2006
4. Focus Group Discussion AusAID Projects Team Leaders: 6 March 2006
5. Briefing MAFF: 7 March 2006
6. Strategy Workshop: 10 March 2006
7. GRET: 17 March 2006
8. Meeting with Amnon Golan, Peer Reviewer: 22 March 2006
9. Final Workshop: 24 March 2006
10. EU Mission for Agribusiness Project Formulation: 25 March 2006

C.3 Inception Note

547. As per plan, the Inception Note³⁴ was submitted on 21 February 2006. After discussion with the AusAID Team Leader, the Note was revised and the revised version was submitted on 22 February 2006.

C.4 Office

548. All members of the Consultant's Team met for the first time on the premises of the Representative Office of Agrifood Consulting International in Phnom located at 142 Corner of Street 51 and Street 302, Phnom Penh. A Study Team Administrator (Ms Limsan Pong) for the Study has been recruited and started administrative support on February 20.

C.5 Field Work

549. The Consultant's Team undertook field work in two visits. The first visit to Kampong Speu and Svay Rieng took place between 27 February and 5 March. The second visit to Kampong Thom and Battambang took place between 12 March and 17 March. The field work included questionnaire forms related to four tools:

1. Case studies;
2. Key informant interviews;

³⁴ Agrifood Consulting International (2006) Diagnostic Study, Phase 1 of Design, Agricultural Program, Cambodia, 2007-12, Inception Note, Prepared for the AusAID, by Agrifood Consulting International. Bethesda, Maryland.

3. Focus group discussions; and
4. Value chain interviews.

550. The field work methodology and detailed findings will be included in the Draft Final Report.

C.6 Workshops

551. The Strategy Workshop was held on 10 March 2006 and the Final Workshop was held on 24 March 2006. A summary of the Strategy Workshop was already distributed at the Final Workshop. The summary of both the Strategy workshop and the Final Workshop will also be included in the Draft Final Report.

C.7 Debriefing Note/Aide Memoire

552. The Debriefing Note/Aide Memoire was submitted on 27 March 2006.

C.8 Debriefing Meeting

A debriefing meeting was held on 28 March 2006.

C.9 Presentation of Debriefing Note/Aide Memoire to MAFF

A presentation of the Debriefing Note/Aide Memoire to MAFF was held on 5 April 2006

C.10 Draft Final Report

The Draft Final Report was submitted on 13 April 2006.