

Informal Working Group Meeting on the IPPC implementation pilot on surveillance

11~12 June 2016, Thailand

1. Background

To strengthen the focus of implementation of the International Plant Protection Convention and ISPMs, an implementation pilot on surveillance was approved in the CPM-9 2014 and the strategic work plan was approved in the CPM-10 2015. The CPM-10 delegated management of the implementation pilot to the IPPC Secretariat under the oversight of the Bureau and requested the Secretariat to collaborate with experts to identify and prioritize relevant activities to take place within 3 years of the implementation plan on surveillance. The work plan developed by the Secretariat and experts was noted by the CPM-11, 2016. The work plan is divided into 3 phases; Preparatory phase (2015~2017), Project implementation phase (2017~2020) and Feedback mechanisms which is concurrent phase. However, all the proposed activities only can be implemented by external budget availability.

A contracting party proposed in the CPM-11 to develop a more focused and practical plan with a few selected pests which are spreading currently and have big potential impact on agriculture and trade. A small working group was established to consider for these 3 pests available and required materials in relation to national reporting obligations, communication, urgent measure of outbreak, development of diagnostic and surveillance material etc. Furthermore it was suggested that an NPPO, RPPO or a relevant stakeholder could play a role of champion.

A small group met during the CPM-11 and proposed 3 pests, *Xylella fastidiosa*, *Bactrocera dorsalis* complex, and invasive ants. Participants agreed to meet after the APPPC workshop in Thailand for 1-2 days. They agreed to collect information and resources such as manuals, case studies, standard operating procedures, public outreach material, stakeholder engagement activities and diagnostic protocols etc., regarding the proposed pests. The IPPC secretariat agreed to facilitate the collection of resources from other institutions and centres of excellence and to issue a call to the contracting parties, RPPOs and other associated organizations to contribute resources to the [Phytosanitary Resources](#) page. The working group will report back to CPM-12 on the progress of the agreed activities.

This working group is open to any NPPO, RPPO or other relevant stakeholder. Australia, Japan, Rep. of Korea, EPPO and APPPC already showed their interests.

2. Goals of the workgroup meeting

This working group meeting aims to confirm the proposed pest(s) for the pilot and to identify and select the NPPO, RPPO or other relevant stakeholder who play roles as a champion for each selected pest. The secondary aim is to review the collected material, to identify gaps in relation to surveillance and tools to fill those gaps (manuals, protocols, publications, research, workshop or training).

Considering the characteristics of each pest, a more detailed and flexible work plan may be developed by the champion.

A surveillance framework is proposed in Annex 1.

3. Expected outputs

- 1. Confirm the proposed pest(s) for the pilot
- 2. Confirm the NPPO(s), RPPO(s) or relevant stakeholders for each selected pest
- 3. Establish a framework for implementation of the agreed work plan
 - Discuss on how to collate, present, communicate to CPs
 - Discuss financial considerations
 - Agree on the roles and expectations of the champions and collaborating entities
 - Develop a basic work plan for each pest based on information collected and gaps identified.

4. Proposed schedule

Proposed dates are 11~12 June 2016 after the APPPC workshop on pest surveillance (6~10 June) in Thailand. The participants are encouraged and allowed to participate the APPPC workshop. Detailed arrangement will be managed by APPPC.

A draft schedule is being developed.

Annex 1: proposed framework

SURVEILLANCE FRAMEWORK			
Components	Related ISPMs	Questions/Gaps	Titles and source of guidance/implementation material
PREVENTION – General Surveillance	ISPM 06 Guidelines for surveillance	Surveillance data management tools and procedures for pest?	Plant Pest Surveillance Manual-IPPC
PREVENTION – Pest Risk Assessment	ISPM 11 PRA ISPM 21	Relevant assessments are available, including impacts assessments, assessment of economic costs, climatic and other projections? Which regions/countries are vulnerable for the introduction of the pest?	PRA material for the pest
	ISPM 19 Guidelines on lists of regulated pests	The pest is regulated as Q pest in the absent countries? Expert roster	Regulated pest list in the countries where the pest is not present
PREVENTION – Pest Risk Management	ISPM 11 PRA	Relevant assessments and measures are available? Expert roster	PRA material for the pest
PREVENTION – Inspection at points of entry and Pest Diagnostics	ISPM 27 Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests	Expert roster	
PREVENTION – Emergency response planning	ISPM 09 Guidelines for pest eradication programmes	Contingency Plans? Cost/benefit analysis (methodology and examples) Compensation Stakeholder engagement Stakeholder education campaigns	

		Expert roster	Guideline for Surveillance for Plant Pests in Asia and the Pacific
PREVENTION – Specific Surveillance	ISPM 06 Guidelines for surveillance ISPM 17 Pest reporting	Any specific surveillance protocols for the pest? Report of new outbreak of the pest is available and updated? Expert roster	Reports of the outbreak or occurrence of the pest NRO guide
DETECTION – Pest Diagnostic	ISPM 27 Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests	Any conflict between different protocols? Protocols are applicable by the developing countries? Expert roster	Diagnostic protocols of the pest
DETECTION – Monitoring (Delimitation and pest status)	ISPM 06 Guidelines for surveillance ISPM 17 Pest reporting ISPM 08 Determination of pest status in an area	Clear guidance available on how to determine the pest status? Present/not present regions/countries are clear? Expert roster	Reported status of the pest in a country or region
ERADICATION - rapid response (Internal quarantine, legislation, phytosanitary measures etc.)	ISPM 09 Guidelines for pest eradication programmes ISPM 28 Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests	Any eradication program (official control) for the pest? Expert roster	Success/Failure case of the eradication

CONTAINMENT – Limit spread (Buffer zones, legislation, pest controls etc.)	ISPM 09 Guidelines for pest eradication programmes ISPM 28 Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests	Any available treatments for the pest? Expert roster	ISPM 28, RSPMs, National treatment schedule
PEST RISK MANAGEMENT - trade facilitation	ISPM 04 Requirements for the establishment of pest free areas	Establishment of PFA is feasible? Expert roster	Experience of PFA establishment of the pest
	ISPM 10 Requirements for the establishment of pest free places of production and pest free production sites	Any PFP or PFPS of the pest is implemented/feasible? Expert roster	PFP or PFPS for the pest by the importing countries
	ISPM 14 The use of integrated measures in a systems approach for pest risk management	Any accepted systems approach of the pest for trade is available? Expert roster	Systems approach for the pest by the importing countries
	ISPM 22 Requirements for the establishment of areas of low pest prevalence	Any ALPP of the pest is available? Expert roster	Established ALPP of the pest