

**A Strategic Framework for ADB Assistance to Agriculture and Rural Development
Manila, Philippines, 25-26 November 2002
ADB Auditorium, Zones B-C**

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Day 01: 25 November 2002

SESSION I

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:10 Welcome Address

Jan van Heeswijk

Director-General

Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB

09:10 – 09:20 Opening Remarks

Bradford R. Philips

Director

Agriculture, Natural Resources and Social Sectors Division

Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB

09:20 – 09:45 Introduction of Participants and Guests

09:45 – 10:00 Tea/Coffee

SESSION II

10:00 – 10:30 The Strategic Framework for ADB Assistance to Agriculture and Rural
Development (SFAARD)

Steve Tabor

Consultant, ADB

10:30 – 11:00 Country Presentations (East and Central Asia – Mongolia, PRC)

Session Chair: Bradford R. Philips

Director

Agriculture, Natural Resources and Social Sectors Division

Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB

11:00 – 11:30 Country Presentations (Southeast Asia – Indonesia, Philippines)

Session Chair: Muhammad Mannan

Director

Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Division

Southeast Asia Department, ADB

11:30 – 12:00 Group Photo Session (ADB Courtyard)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch (Private Dining Rooms 2-4, ADB)

- 13:30 – 14:15 Country Presentations (Mekong Region – Cambodia, Lao PDR, Vietnam)
Session Chair: C. Rajendran
Director
Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Division
Mekong Department, ADB
- 14:15 – 14:45 Country Presentations (Pacific Region – Fiji, PNG)
Session Chair: Robert Siy, Jr.
Director
Area A, Pacific Department, ADB
- 14:45 – 15:30 Country Presentations (South Asia – Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka)
Session Chair: Brian D. Fawcett
Principal Project Economist
Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Division
South Asia Department, ADB
- 15:30 – 15:40 Introduction to Group Discussions
Alvin C. Morales
Consultant, ADB
- 15:40 – 15:50 Tea/Coffee
- 15:50 – 17:10 Group Discussions – Part I (4 groups)
- 17:30 Shuttle pick-up to EDSA Shangri-La Plaza Hotel (ADB Main Lobby)
- 18:00 – 20:00 Cocktails/Reception (Santan Rooms 1 and 2, EDSA Plaza Shangri-la Hotel)

Day 02: 26 November 2002

SESSION III Session Chair: Kunhamboo Kannan
Senior Programs Officer/Economist
Pacific Department, ADB

- 09:00 – 09:20 Report from External Reviewers (1)
Geoff Fox
University of New England
New South Wales, Australia
- 09:20 – 09:40 Report from External Reviewers (2)
Seneka Abeyratne
National Agribusiness Council
Colombo, Sri Lanka
- 09:40 – 10:00 Report from External Reviewers (3)
David MacFarlane
UniQuest Pty Limited
Brisbane, Australia

10:00 – 10:20 Report of External Reviewers (4)
H.S. Dillon
Center for Agricultural Policy
Jakarta, Indonesia

10:20 – 10:35 Tea/Coffee

10:35 – 12:15 Group Discussions – Part II (4 groups)

12:15 – 13:30 Lunch (Private Dining Rooms 2-4, ADB)

SESSION IV

13:30 – 14:50 Group Presentations (Groups 1, 2, 3, 4)
Session Chair: John Yee
Principal Sector Economist
Agriculture, Natural Resources and Social Sectors Division
Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB

14:50 – 15:05 Tea/Coffee

15:05 – 16:15 Plenary Discussions (SFAARD as a whole)

16:15 – 16:30 Summary of Recommendations
Steve Tabor and Alvin C. Morales
Consultants, ADB

16:30 – 16:40 Closing Remarks
John Yee
Principal Sector Economist
Agriculture, Natural Resources and Social Sectors Division
Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB