

RESOLUTIONS
Working Group on Environment (WGE-12)
Bangkok, 25-26 April 2006

1. The WGE considers the immediate implementation of the Core Environment Program (CEP) as its utmost priority, and calls for the:
 - a. Consideration by the GMS Senior Officials Meetings (SOMs) of representation from WGE
 - b. Need to staff and build capacities of WGE National Support Units (NSUs) for starting implementation of the 2006 BCI work plan, and start the finalization of 2006-2008 annual plan of operations
 - c. Accelerate staffing of the Environment Operations Center (EOC) to accelerate implementation of CEP and achieve a gender balance
 - d. WGE agrees to the establishment of the Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) with IUCN as secretariat and the rotating chair of the WGE to be represented in the TAP; implementation of the IUCN PA project
 - e. Additional activities under the CEP to be endorsed by the respective WGE focal persons
 - f. Confirmation of CEP cofinancing by development partners

2. To ensure better balance in the allocation of resources among the CEP components, the EOC shall regularly report to the WGE the cost breakdown for approved projects and proposed activities under the different CEP components
 - a. WGE agrees to implement the Biodiversity Conservation Corridor Initiative (BCI) as designed;
 - b. Under the guidance of WGE focal points, assist the CEP national support units refine the detailed implementation planning along with the budgetary allocations for components 1, 3 and 4 and report back to WGE within two months
 - c. EOC to consolidate the updated and revised operational plans and budget to the WGE within three months for consideration and endorsement
 - d. The EOC shall actively mobilize additional resources to fill the funding gaps

3. EOC will follow up with the relevant partners on general suggestions and report to the WGE on the following within three months:
 - a. Partnership Principles
 - b. TAP composition, functions and nominees
 - c. Development partner inputs to the WGE deliberations on a regular basis
 - d. CEP work plan to be shared with WGE members and partners on a regular basis
 - e. Update/revise EOC business procedures (guidelines) based on WGE focal point and partner input
 - f. CEP/ADB/EOC to facilitate accessing Poverty Reduction Fund established by PRC with ADB
 - g. SIDA's has offered a study visit to the Baltic Sea Area
 - h. Enhance CEP and Phnom Penh Plan linkages
 - i. Coordination with other regional cooperation programs such as ASEAN and other regional and subregional initiatives
 - j. EOC to provide support for MDG reporting at national level [Thailand]
 - k. Organizing the next WGE meeting in PRC.