

PILOT PROJECT

BUILDING A REGIONAL HARMONIZED PVP MECHANISM

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OUTLINES OF THE PRESENTATION

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Natural condition in region

- All countries are big population so agriculture is important
- Agriculture land is limited compare others in the world so improving the productivity of crop's products is necessary
- High potential to develop with plentiful plant genetic resource
- PVP is encouraging of the introduction new plant varieties for the agriculture production thus benefit for regional countries.

Rationalization of PVP mechanism in region

- Harmonized regional mechanism can reduce the burden of the each PVP authority's procedures by mutual cooperation and sharing resources.
- Regional mechanism can demonstrate benefit to become UPOV members, and that inspires non-UPOV nations to become UPOV members.

Expected outcome (General Objective)

- Achieve of Object 2 of common direction of 10 Strategy Plan:
 - ✓ “*Build a regionally harmonized mechanism for application and examination procedures under the UPOV Convention, encouraging mutual acceptance of DUS test reports towards an efficient and cooperative PVP system in the region for breeders”.*

Expected outcome (Specific Objective)

Phase 1: 2018 - 2021

- A model procedure from filing to the grant of PBR as a foundation of regional harmonized mechanism in line the UPOV Convention is established.

Phase 2: 2022 - 2023

- A regionally harmonized PVP mechanism for UPOV members of the EAPVP Forum is established together with National PVPOs.

MAIN CONTENT OF THE PROJECT

Activities

Phase 1: 2018 - 2021

- Proposing to participate from Members and provisional Members of UPOV
- Harmonizing the procedures for PVP follow UPOV (Model Form, TG, UPOV PRISMA...).
- To demonstrate model examination proceedings (DUS test) at selected examination centers for some selected crops including rice and maize.
- To discuss possibility to register examined varieties in applied third countries (2020)
- To discuss possibility of utilization of a demonstrated model procedure for unification of proceedings (2020)

Phase 2: 2022 - 2023

- A regional harmonized PVP mechanism is started with some selected crops (for example rice, maize...)
- First Applications can be applied for the participated countries in practical.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

Proposed Venue and Participants

- Proposed venue
 - ✓ Phase 1: Vietnamese PVP Office and DUS Testing Agencies in Vietnam (for food crops and some other crops)
 - ✓ Phase 2: DUS Testing agencies of other Members for remain crops (based on the ability of implementation of DUS)
- Participants
 - ✓ Participating counties will be UPOV members of the EAPVP Forum (currently Japan, VN)
 - ✓ The EAPVP member countries which have officially committed to join UPOV : Provisional participants(currently Malaysia and Myanmar)
 - ✓ Resource partners
The UPOV Office, other UPOV member PVP offices

Budget

- Vietnam: in-kind contribution (e.g. provision of facilities for the meetings, DUS testing centers, human resource)
- Japan and/or other interested donors: Operation cost (some contribution may be covered by Japan's Funds-in-Trust to UPOV)

* Note: Detailed will be consulted among Vietnam, Japan, and donors.

➤ Advantages

- ✓ The demand of good plant varieties due to pressure for increasing people, reducing of agriculture land
- ✓ The support from plant breeders
- ✓ The regional integration with the development on trading plant variety and crop's products

➤ Challenges

- ✓ There is a different on PVP level in different countries
- ✓ Effective coordinating facility to operate project
- ✓ Others: diversify on culture and custom, language, level of economy ...

- Participating countries
 - ✓ UPOV's Members and provisional UPOV Members who participated voluntarily
- Assistance
 - ✓ Financial and technical assistance from the UPOV Office and members
- Information sharing
 - ✓ Progress report to the Forum meeting annually

Plan for activities in 2018

- First Meeting in Hanoi (Participating countries)
 - ✓ Sharing information on the situation of PVP in each which focus on the administrative procedure from filing to the grant of PBR
 - ✓ Select the Candidate crops for concentrated test
 - ✓ Discussion on the common application format
- Next activities will be decided base on the progress and agreement of participated countries

Thank you for your attention

