

Annex III-1

Annotated Provisional Agenda

Background leading to this meeting

The Action Plan for the Protection, Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Northwest Pacific Region (NOWPAP) and three Resolutions were adopted at the 1st Intergovernmental Meeting (Seoul, The Republic of Korea, 14 September 1994: UNEP (OCA)/NOWPAP/IG.1/5).

In accordance with the workplan approved by the Resolution 1 of the 7th NOWPAP Intergovernmental Meeting (UNEP(DEC)/NOWPAP/IG.7/10 Annex IV), CEARAC held the 1st CEARAC Focal Points Meeting (Toyama, Japan, 25-28 February 2003), the 1st Meeting of NOWPAP Working Group 3 (Busan, the Republic of Korea, 28-30 October 2003) and the 1st Meeting of NOWPAP Working Group 4 (Vladivostok, Russian Federation, 1-3 December 2003).

The 1st CEARAC Focal Points Meeting (FPM) agreed on CEARAC workplan for 2003 and identified main issues to be focused on by NOWPAP Working Group 3 (WG3) and Working Group 4 (WG4). The 1st Meetings of NOWPAP WG3 and WG4 finalized the draft terms of reference for each WG and agreed on long-term plan and work plan for the 2004-2005 biennium of each WG.

The 8th NOWPAP Intergovernmental Meeting (Sanya, the People's Republic of China, 5-7 November 2003) approved the budget of \$150,000 for the 2004-2005 biennium for CEARAC activities. (UNEP/NOWPAP/IG.8/11 Annex I Resolution 1)

The 2nd CEARAC FPM (Toyama, Japan, 15-17 March 2004) adopted the revised workplan and budget for the CEARAC 2004-2005 biennium activities and the Terms of Reference (TOR) for NOWPAP WG3 and WG4 (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 2/10). After the 2nd CEARAC FPM, with the consultation and approval of UNEP and CEARAC Focal Points, CEARAC made a slight change in its allocation of the budget. The new budget plan focused on the National and the Integrate Reports of NOWPAP WG3 and WG4.

The 9th Intergovernmental Meeting (Busan, the Republic of Korea, 2-4 November 2004) agreed on the workplan and budget of entire NOWPAP for the 2004-2005 biennium including the revised budget of US\$150,000 for the CEARAC activities (UNEP/NOWPAP/IG.9/5/1).

Based on the decision of the 2nd CEARAC FPM, CEARAC also held the 2nd Meeting of NOWPAP WG3 (Qingdao, the People's Republic of China, 25-26

November 2004) and the 2nd Meeting of NOWPAP WG4 (Beijing, the People's Republic of China, 14-15 October 2004).

In WG3 and WG4, the meetings reviewed the preparation of the National Reports and discussed the contents of the Integrated Reports respectively. Moreover, WG3 reviewed the development of HAB reference database, and WG4 reviewed the development of RS information network system.

The 3rd FPM (Toyama, Japan, 15-16 September, 2005) reviewed the progress of CEARAC activities for the 2004-2005 biennium (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 3/4) and approved the draft CEARAC workplan and budget for the 2006-2007 biennium which was presented by CEARAC secretariat (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 3/12). All the reports were agreed to submit to the 10th IGM for adoption.

The 10th Intergovernmental Meeting (Toyama, Japan, 24-26 November, 2005) approved the workplan and budget of entire NOWPWP for the 2006-2007 biennium including the budget of US\$150,000 for the CEARAC activities (UNEP/NOWPAP/IG.10/8).

Day1 (March 8, 2006)**Agenda Item 1. Opening of the meeting**

The meeting will be opened at 9:00 at the Conference Room 1 in Tower 111 (Intec-Building), Toyama, Japan, on 8 March 2006 by the Director of CEARAC, Mr. Masanobu MIYAZAKI. Welcome remarks by NOWPAP Coordinator, Dr. Alexander TKALIN will follow. Representatives of the participating members will be invited to make opening remarks if they wish.

Agenda Item 2. Organization of the meeting

- 2.1 The meeting will be invited to elect the chairperson and the rapporteur in line with paragraph 5.2 of the Terms of Reference of the NOWPAP CEARAC Focal Points Meeting (UNEP/NOWPAP IG.8 7/1).
- 2.2 Rules of procedure will be established. It is proposed that, for purposes of this meeting, the rules used here be those of the Governing Council of UNEP, adjusted as appropriate to suit the nature of the meeting.
- 2.3 The secretariat will introduce a suggested programme of work and timetable of the meeting.
- 2.4 English will be the working language of the meeting. The secretariat will present a provisional list of the documents.

Agenda Item 3. Adoption of the Agenda

The Provisional Agenda (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 4/1) will be introduced by the secretariat with the Annotated Provisional Agenda (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 4/2). The meeting will be invited to consider and adopt the agenda.

Agenda Item 4. Report of the Implementation of CEARAC Activities in 2005

The director of CEARAC will report the implementation of CEARAC activities in 2005. He will also report the expenditures of CEARAC budget for the 2004-2005 biennium, focusing on 2005. (UNEP/NOWPAP/CEARAC/FPM 4/3). The meeting will be invited to review the report.

Agenda Item 5. Report of the CEARAC Workplan and Budget for the 2006-2007 biennium approved by the 10th NOWPAP IGM

The Director of CEARAC will report the CEARAC workplan and budget for the 2006-2007 biennium which was adopted by the 10th IGM (Toyama, Japan, 24-26, November 2005).

Agenda Item 6. Discussion of Terms of Reference for CEARAC FPM

The revised draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for FPM will be submitted by the Secretariat and will discuss to agree on submitting it to the 11th IGM of NOWPAP.

Agenda Item 7. Discussion and Approval of Terms of Reference for NOWPAP Working Groups 3 (Harmful Algal Blooms) and Working Groups 4 (Remote Sensing)

The revised draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for WG3 and WG4 will be submitted by the Secretariat and will be discussed for adoption.

Agenda Item 8. Review and Approval of NOWPAP WG3 Workplan for the 2006-2007 Biennium

The Secretariat will explain the activities of WG3 for the 2006-2007 biennium, which were approved by the 10th IGM (Toyama, Japan, 24-26, November 2005). The meeting will be invited to review and approve making a booklet of countermeasures against red tides as the main activity of WG3 for this biennium.

Agenda Item 9. Review and Approval of NOWPAP WG4 Workplan for the 2006-2007 Biennium

The Secretariat will explain the activities of WG4 for the 2006-2007 biennium, which were approved by the 10th IGM (Toyama, Japan, 24-26, November 2005). The meeting will be invited to review and approve preparation of a guideline for eutrophication monitoring using satellite data for the NOWPAP Region and RS training program on data analysis as the main activity of WG4 for this biennium,.

Agenda Item 10. Discussion of other Intersessional Activities of CEARAC

The Secretariat will explain the new activities of CEARAC corresponding with “NEW Directions for NOWPAP RACs and RCU” and “Establishment of a Marine Litter Activity”. The meeting will be invited to review and approve the Workplan.

10.1 Marine Litter Activities(MALITA)

Establishment of the Marine Litter Activity (MALITA) which was adopted at the 10th IGM will be introduced by the Scientific Affairs Officer, NOWPAP RCU (Busan Office), Dr. Jeung-sook PARK. Following the explanation of MALITA, the Secretariat will explain the CEARAC activities related to MALITA.

10.2 Report of the State of Marine Environment in the NOWPAP Region

The Director of Pollution Monitoring Regional Activity Centre (POMRAC), Dr. Anatoly KACHUR will explain the objectives and the contents of the report: the State of Marine Environment in the NOWPAP Region, which is a part of POMRAC activities for the 2006-2007 biennium. CEARAC will be responsible for some parts of the report; therefore, the Secretariat will explain its activities in the report.

Day2 (March 9, 2006)**Agenda Item 11. Review and Agreement of Workplan and Budget of CEARAC for the 2006- 2007 Biennium**

The Secretariat will explain the CEARAC workplan and budget for the 2006-2007 biennium. The meeting will be invited to review and agree on the workplan and budget.

Agenda Item 12. Arrangement for Venue and Date of the 5th CEARAC FPM

The meeting will be invited to discuss the holding place and the date of the 5th CEARAC Focal Points Meeting and main topics to be covered there.

Agenda Item 13. Other matters

The meeting will be invited to raise any other issues relevant to the NOWPAP/CEARAC activities.

Agenda Item 14. Adoption of the report of the meeting

A draft report of the meeting will be prepared by the rapporteur and the Secretariat for consideration and adoption.

Agenda Item 15. Closure of the meeting

The meeting will be closed by the chairperson.