

Annex V**Report of the CEARAC workplan and budget for the 2006-2007 Biennium
Approved by the 10th IGM****1. Planned activities in 2006 and 2007****1) CEARAC Focal Points Meeting**

Following the Third CEARAC Focal Points Meeting (Toyama, Japan, September 2005), the Fourth and Fifth CEARAC Focal Points Meeting are scheduled in March 2006 and in September 2007 respectively. It is expected that these CEARAC Focal Points Meetings will further promote, coordinate and harmonize regional cooperation in the Northwest Pacific region related to a special monitoring and coastal environmental assessment.

2) WG3 and WG4 Meetings

Following the Second Meetings of WG3 and WG4, the Third Meetings of WG3 and WG4 will be planned to be held simultaneously in Busan, the Republic of Korea, in summer 2006. The experts of both WGs requested to organize a joint meeting of WG3 and WG4 to exchange information each other because the activities of them are closely related. It is expected that the joint meeting (if feasible) will promote the collaborative activities of WG3 and WG4.

3) Other Activities under Working Group 3 and Working Group 4

WG3 WG3 will collect information on case studies of policies, measures, and techniques to control, prevent and mitigate red tides and make a booklet based on the collected information in order to promote mitigation activities against red tides. CEARAC will ask WG3 experts of each country to collect information on case studies in each country by allocating funds and will hire a consultant to make a booklet on the basis of the information from the experts.

WG4 A draft guideline for monitoring of eutrophication in coastal areas using satellite data has been developed by NPEC. CEARAC proposes WG4 members to further develop the guideline for eutrophication monitoring to fit in the situation of each county. With the guideline, a training program on remote sensing data processing and analyses and its application to study marine and coastal environment monitoring will be prepared by CEARAC.

4) Other Activities

In addition to the ordinary activities such as updating the CEARAC website and participating in the Focal Points Meeting, Working Groups and Workshops organized by other RACs and related Organizations, a CEARAC Newsletter is planned to be published in order to provide practical information on CEARAC activities. The CEARAC Newsletter is expected to be issued yearly.

2. Framework plan of work for 2006 and 2007

Budget for 2006 and 2007 biennium for CEARAC activities was adopted by the 3rd CEARAC FPM to submit to approval for the 10th IGM.

Table2

Activity	Planned date	Responsibility	Remarks	Planned Budget US\$
Organization of CEARAC 4 th Focal Points Meeting	March 2006	CEARAC with assistance of RCU, UNEP	Toyama, Japan	23,000
Publication of CEARAC Newsletter	Summer 2006	CEARAC		2,000
Organization of 3 rd Joint Meeting of WG3 (HAB) and WG4 (RS) *1	Summer 2006	CEARAC with assistance of RCU, UNEP	Busan, Korea	30,000
Intersessional work	Throughout 2006	CEARAC in cooperation with UNEP and relevant regional organizations		3,000
Organization of CEARAC 5 th Focal Points Meeting	September 2007	CEARAC with assistance of RCU, UNEP	Toyama, Japan	23,000
Publication of CEARAC Newsletter	Summer 2007	CEARAC		2,000
Specific project (tentative) WG3(HAB) - booklet of Case Studies of Mitigation of Red Tides WG4(RS) - guideline - training	Throughout 2006 and 2007	CEARAC with assistance of consultant(s)		56,000
Others*2				
Intersessional work	Throughout 2007	CEARAC in cooperation with UNEP and relevant regional organizations		3,000
Cooperation, coordination of CEARAC activities	Throughout 2006 and 2007	CEARAC in cooperation with UNEP and relevant regional organizations		8,000
TOTAL				150,000

Note: *1: The 3rd Joint Meeting of WG3 (HAB) and WG4 (RS) is planning to be held back to back with the workshop sponsored by Northwest Pacific Region Environmental Cooperation Center (NPEC).

*2: Others (pending approval by the 10th NOWPAP IGM and availability of funds) include Marine Litter, Assessment and Management of Land-Based Activities, State of Marine Environment Report and so on.

1. **Table 2** shows the suggested NOWPAP budget for 2006-2007: \$1.179M, or \$589,500 per year. This suggestion is based on \$630,000 income from the regular contributions to the NOWPAP Trust Fund (\$315,000 per year) and \$549,000 of the “savings” in the Trust Fund, according to the 7th IGM decision. This model will allow continuation of activities at the present scale for **three-four years**, taking into account that there will be an additional income to the TF from interest and that in most cases not all planned activities will be implemented.
2. The meeting is invited to review, discuss and approve the NOWPAP workplan and budget for the next biennium.

Table 2. NOWPAP workplan and budget for 2006- 2007 (in thousands of USD).

Activity	Responsibility for implementation	2004-2005 budget	Proposed 2006-2007 Budget
DINRAC	DINRAC	150	150
CEARAC	CEARAC	150	150
MERRAC	MERRAC	150	150*
POMRAC	POMRAC	150	150
Survey of National Legislation	RCU	10	10
Public Awareness	RCU	23	23
Coordination of RACs	RCU	40	20
MALITA	RCU	0	70
GEF PDF-B	RCU	100	100
Operation of RCU	RCU	120	110
Implementation of NOWPAP	RCU	80	110
Sub-Total		973	1,043
13% of the sub-total as Programme Support Cost		127	136
TOTAL		1,100	1,179

Note: USD190,000 requested