Conclusions and recommendations

Meeting on Mekong Outdoor Malaria Transmission Network
25-26th March 2013, SEAMEO-TROPMED NETWORK, Thailand

Objectives of the meeting

- To facilitate TOR of MOMTN
- To identify country focal points and office of secretariat and agree on modality, roles, functions and working system
- To agree on work plan 2013/2014
Role of the Network

- Stimulate and guide common research that will respond to questions related to countries problem on OT
- Support the development of standardized operations research protocols for entomology, social science and epidemiology as relevant or applied to VC
- Coordinate technical support and sharing of information/research results and evaluating those results to translate them to policy and action on region wide basis
Role of the Network (Cont:)

- Strengthening and sustain existing research, monitoring & evaluation capabilities of the countries on entomology
- Advocate and mobilize resources
- Inventory of current practices related to OT and evaluation of ongoing research
Focal Points

Cambodia – Dr Tho Sochantha, Dr Siv Sovannaroth
China- Prof Sun Xiaodong, Dr Wu Chao
Laos- Dr Simone Nambanya, Dr Santi Maithaviphet
Thailand – Dr Wichai Satimal, Mr Boonserm Aumaung
Vietnam -Prof Ho Dinh Trung, Dr Vu Duc Chinh
Myanmar – Dr That Tun Kyaw, Dr Kyaw Khaing
Main functions of Focal Points

- Coordination within the country
- Communication with Secretariat
- Delegation within country
Role of Focal Points

1. Updated inventory of institutions, researchers with full contact details (including national malaria programmes

   - Should include:
     - Principal Investigators- full names, contact information
     - Title of project/research, implementation status (completed, on-going planned), publication
     - Abstract
     - Secretariat to develop a template to be provided to countries before end of meeting

Timeline for countries to submit to Secretariat: 22 April 2013 - after Songkran
Role of Focal Points (Cont:)

2. Comprehensive review of research by country (situationer)

- Based on available literature, reports, overview of the programmes in country –

- For purposes of advocacy to decision-makers & donors
Secretariat

- Faculty of Tropical Medicine
c/o Dr Jetsumon Sattabongkot Prachumsri

- Role of Secretariat
  - To implement work plan of the network
  - To develop inventory of institutions and researchers
  - Develop data base on previous and ongoing research
  - Coordinate technical support and sharing information/research results and evaluating those results to translate them to policies

(Standardize forms for collection)
- Secretariat will have the support of RBM
- Visibility is important
Role of Secretariat (Cont:)

- Coordinate technical support and sharing information/research results and evaluating those results to translate them to policies
- Coordinate all the meetings, communications
- Resource mobilization