

AGENDA 3

INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

By **PCU**



The 5th Meeting of the Regional Scientific and Technical Committee
For Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand,
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AGENDA 6

MID-TERM REVIEWS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PCU

Reference: WP.6.0

- ❖ A Mid-Term Review has been undertaken by Dr. Peter Whalley between November 2021 and February 2022;
- ❖ Report indicates the UN project ratings according the criterion:

Criteria are rated on a six-point scale as follows:

- Highly Satisfactory (HS);
- Satisfactory (S);
- Moderately Satisfactory (MS);
- Moderately Unsatisfactory (MU);
- Unsatisfactory (U);
- Highly Unsatisfactory (HU).

Likelihood of Impact' and 'Sustainability' criteria are rated from Highly Likely down to Highly Unlikely:

- Highly Likely (HL);
- Likely (L);
- Unlikely (U);
- Highly Unlikely (HU); .

- ❖ The Project has been assessed overall by this Mid-Term Review as being **Moderately Satisfactory**

- ❖ The Mid-Term Review acknowledges the **achievements** to-date, and a significant programme to complete within the 2022, and **rates the output delivery as Moderately Satisfactory**;
- ❖ The project builds directly on the success of the SAP and is highly relevant to the countries of the region and the strategies of UNEP. **The Relevance is rated as Highly Satisfactory**.
- ❖ The project has been **effective** in establishing 12 *refugia* sites and undertaking multiple workshops, capacity development and awareness raising activities. So, MTR rated as **Satisfactory**.
- ❖ **The efficiency of project execution is rated as Moderately Satisfactory** due to the delays
- ❖ The overall **sustainability** of the project's activities is considered to be **Likely**

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ❖ 1) **To: PCU/Executing Agency:** Should seek an additional project extension to complete the remaining work; considers a further one-year extension; explore what resources could be available from the SCS SAP
- ❖ 3) **To: PCU:** Collate and analyse disaggregated sex data of participants involved in project activities.
- ❖ 4) **To: PCU:** Develop a clear Exit Strategy for the regional and national sustainability and replication of the activities. (Cooperate with SCS/SAP on update of the fishery aspects
- ❖ 5) **To: PCU:** Preparation of GEF IW:LEARN Experience Notes. (based on practical lessons from execution.

ACTIONS BY THE COMMITTEE (RSTC5)

- Committee is requested to consider the findings and some Recommendations of the Mid-term Review;
- Respond to the Recommendations 3, 4, and 5; PCU may seek support from country on available information and data for further analysis;
- Respond to Recommendation 1, considers a further one-year extension; Committee may provide their views on this matter.
- The Report of MTR will be shared to all National Focal Points as soon as possible. We revisit this matter at the forthcoming PSC, in Q2/2022.