



**22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the OIE Sub-Commission for Foot and Mouth Disease in South-East Asia and China  
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Chiang Rai, Thailand**

**DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS**

❖ NB: recommendations to be addressed with priority are displayed in bold text

The OIE Sub-Commission for Foot and Mouth Disease in South-East Asia and China notes the considerable progress made since the 21<sup>st</sup> Sub-Commission Meeting, and agrees that the recommendations and views of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sub-Commission should form the basis for the 2016-2017 SEACFMD Operational Plan. The following recommendations have been developed based on discussions at this meeting. **Progress against these recommendations will be reviewed at the 19<sup>th</sup> National Coordinators' Meeting, 2016, and at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sub-Commission Meeting, 2017.** The Sub-Commission:

1. **SUPPORTS** Mongolia's application to join the OIE Sub-Commission for Foot-and-Mouth Disease in South-East Asia and China, and **ENCOURAGES** the World Assembly of Delegates to endorse this proposal in May 2016.
2. **RECOMMENDS** that advocacy and actions be undertaken based on the findings of the *Animal Movement Study* and the 2015 Animal Movement Management meeting;
3. **NOTES** the OIE/FAO FMD Progressive Control Pathway (FMD PCP) as a reference for Member Countries' goals and activities, and **RECOMMENDS** that Member Countries review their progression along the FMD PCP throughout the period 2016-2020, including that:
  - OIE develops a transparent and robust process for evaluation of PCP status and progression along the pathway;
  - OIE prepare a 5 year PCP plan for the region;
  - Members report to Sub-Commission against activities relevant to their PCP status.
4. **RECOMMENDS** that Member Countries implement the SEACFMD Roadmap Implementation Plan and provide progress reports.
5. **RECOMMENDS** that OIE investigates additional and alternative funding sources to support important SEACFMD activities, and provides progress reports.
6. **RECOMMENDS** monitoring trends in animal movement (legal/illegal) and other factors that contribute to the emergence and/or spread of FMD, and **AGREES** to continue to review FMDV strains and monitor evolving trends.
7. **RECOMMENDS** that the Guidance Document prepared by the Scientific Working Group be used by Member Countries to inform decisions and technical activities, and be considered for future research

directions by inclusion in the SEACFMD research framework to be developed by the OIE;

8. **RECOMMENDS** that OIE works with World and Regional Reference Laboratories to verify diagnostic proficiency, and respond to and report on relevant challenges.
9. **ACKNOWLEDGES** PR China's initiative in development of control zones to support management of animal movement and **NOTES** the request from PR China for advice from OIE.
10. **RECOMMENDS** that ASEAN+1 facilitates development of sanitary protocols that support safe trade in live animals across the region.

#### Membership

11. **CONGRATULATES** Dr Song Junxia on her re-election to a second term, and Dr Sith Premashthira on his election, as Vice Presidents of OIE Sub-Commission for FMD in South-East Asia and China.

#### Roadmap

12. **NOTES** the goals and objectives outlined in the SEACFMD Roadmap 2016-2020, development by June 2016 of Manuals to support the Strategy Components identified in the SEACFMD Roadmap 2016-2020 for consideration by National Coordinators, and Roles and Responsibilities for key stakeholders outlined in the relevant agenda paper and the Roadmap.

#### Disease situation/technical

13. **ENCOURAGES** Member Countries, including reference centres, to contribute towards the sharing of genomic sequences and their analysis.
14. **AGREES** that communication and advocacy are essential components of regional and national programs, and **COMMITTS** to pursue high-level advocacy by OIE at the ASEAN+1 level and by Member Countries at the National Level to reinforce political and resource support for Phase 5 of the SEACFMD Campaign.
15. Recognising the lower risk associated with imports of animal products compared to live animals, **ENCOURAGES** Member Countries to review and implement risk-based import protocols for such products that comply with OIE Standards.

#### Governance/Policy

16. **AGREES** that Member Countries will continue to improve the application of OIE standards for disease surveillance, diagnosis and notification, as well as for animal movement management within and between countries in the region.

#### Application for status

17. CONGRATULATES Thailand and Mongolia, whose Official Control Programmes for FMD will be proposed for endorsement by Members in 2016, and ENCOURAGES other Member Countries to prepare their Official Control Programmes for FMD for submission to the OIE in 2016 for formal endorsement.
18. RECOMMENDS that OIE develop a statement on the benefit of countries having endorsed Official Control Programmes for FMD Official Control Programmes for FMD.
19. ENCOURAGES Member Countries receiving endorsement of their Official Control Programmes for FMD to share dossiers within the region to support other applications.

#### Thanks

20. THANKS Member Countries, partners and observers for their active participation in the meeting.
21. THANKS the donors for their continued valuable support and contributions to the SEACFMD Campaign; including the Australian, the New Zealand, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Thailand, and the Department of Livestock Development for hosting an outstanding and successful meeting.
22. THANKS Dr Mohamed Naheed Mohamed Hussein for his sterling service in supporting the activities of SEACFMD, and FMD in general, over many years.

#### Next Meeting

REQUESTS Cambodia to host the 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of OIE Sub-Commission for Foot and Mouth Disease in South-East Asia and China in March 2017.