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15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Upper Mekong Working Group  
on Foot and Mouth Disease Zoning and Animal  
Movement Management

*Results of the survey questionnaire*

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## 5 Countries

China, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam

## Current position

Deputy Director  
Epidemiology  
Division

Deputy  
,Epidemiology  
Department

Vet officer,  
Disease  
surveillance

Deputy Head  
Veterinary  
Services

Veterinary  
Research Officer

Research fellow

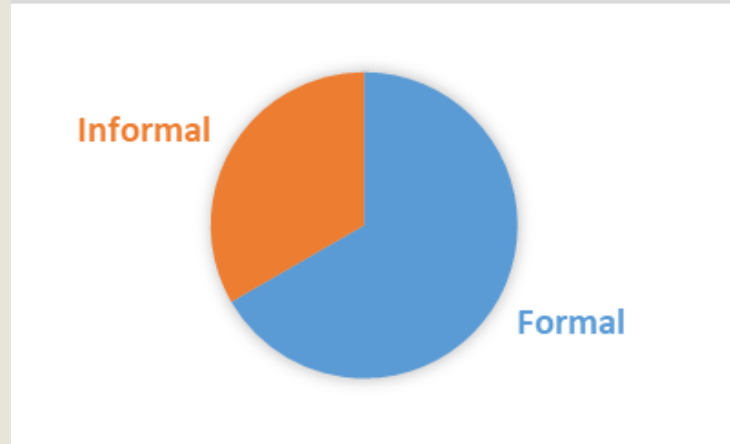
## 6 respondents



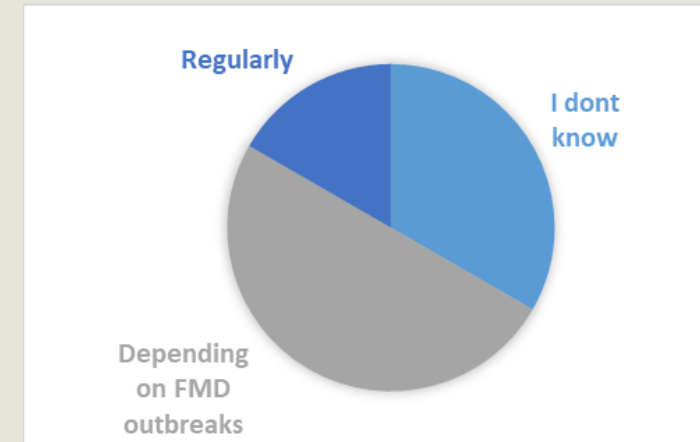
## Extent of coordination amongst Veterinary Services in Upper Mekong countries

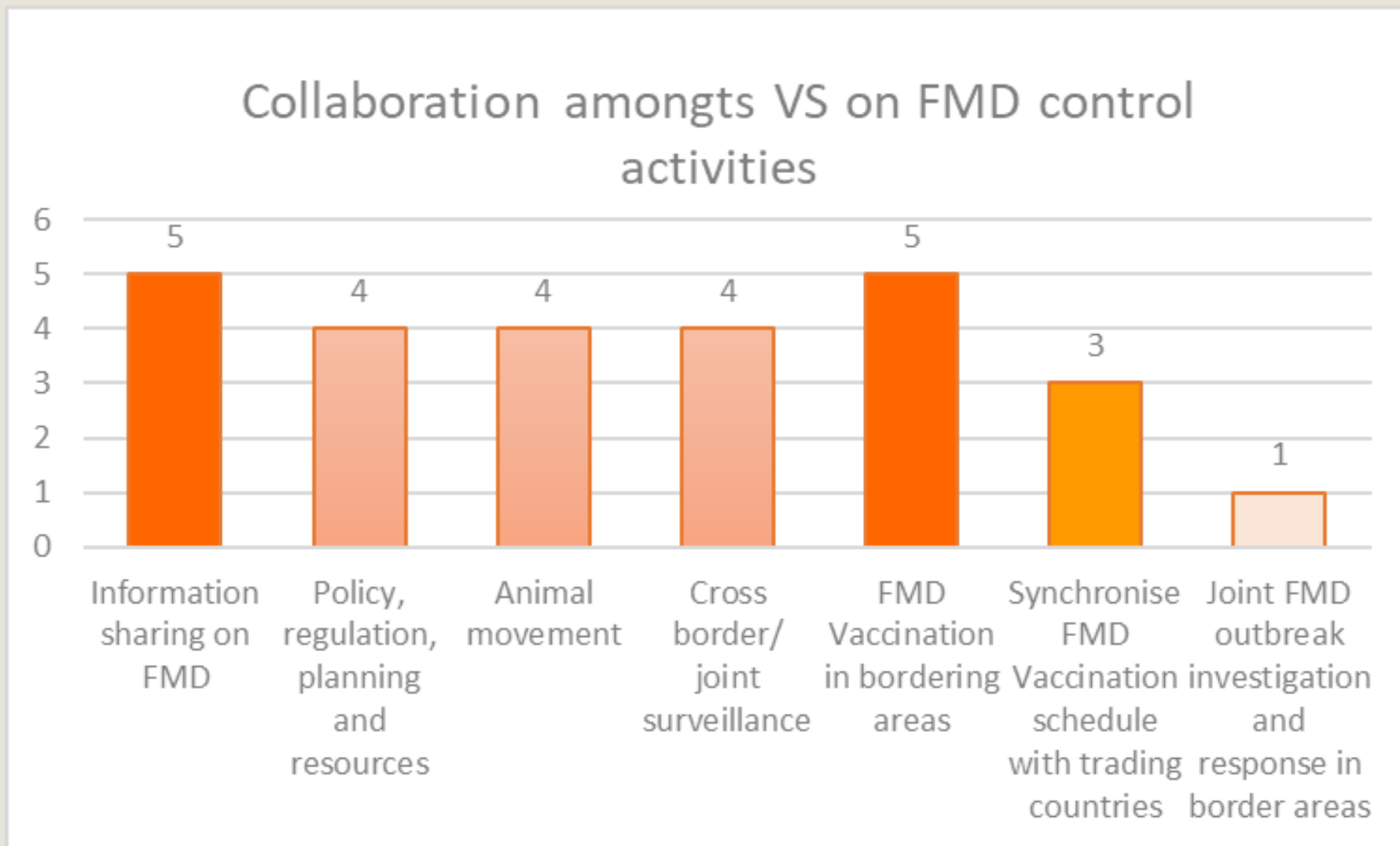
Not at all	0
Partially	5
Completely	0

## Mechanism to engage with other Veterinary Services

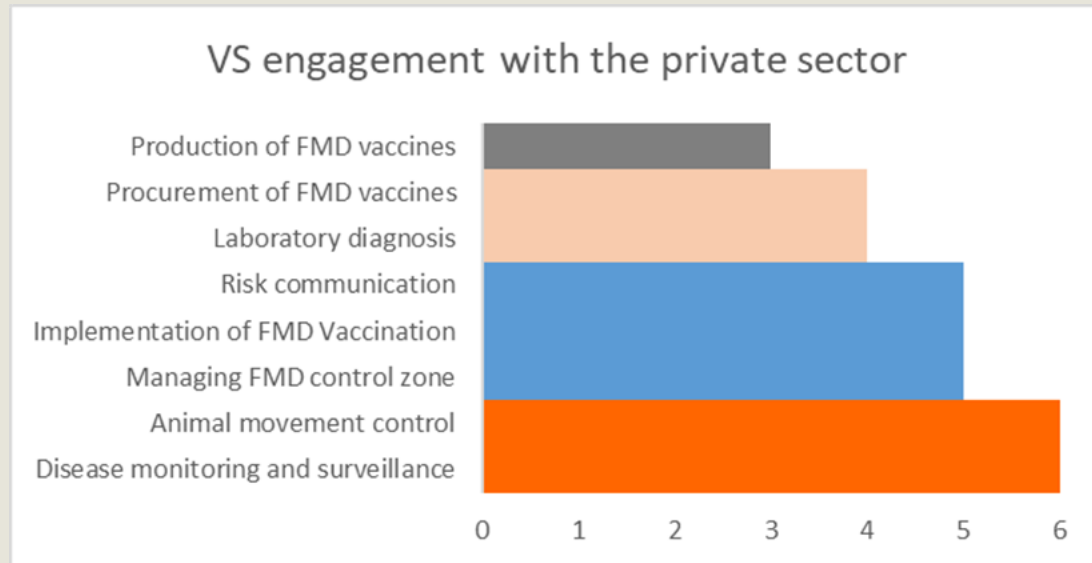


## Frequency of engagement amongst VS

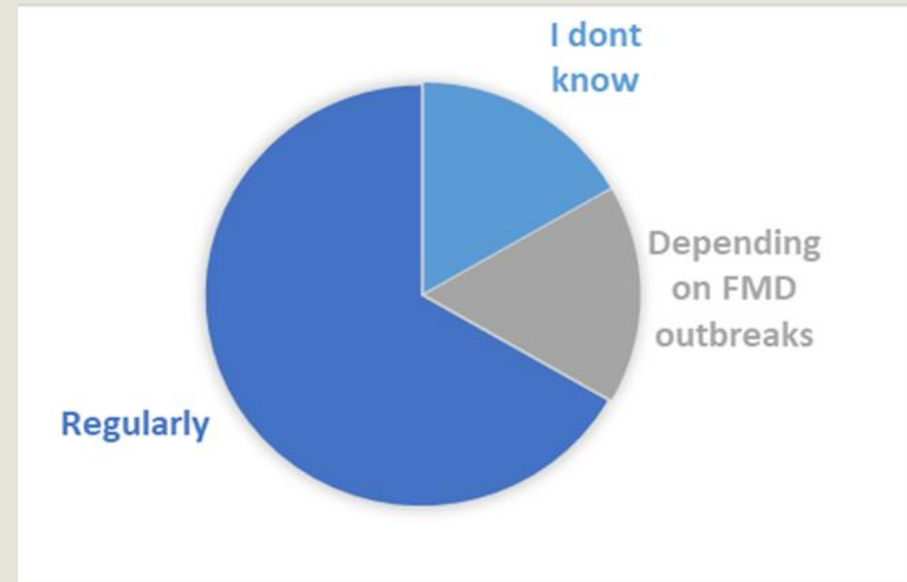




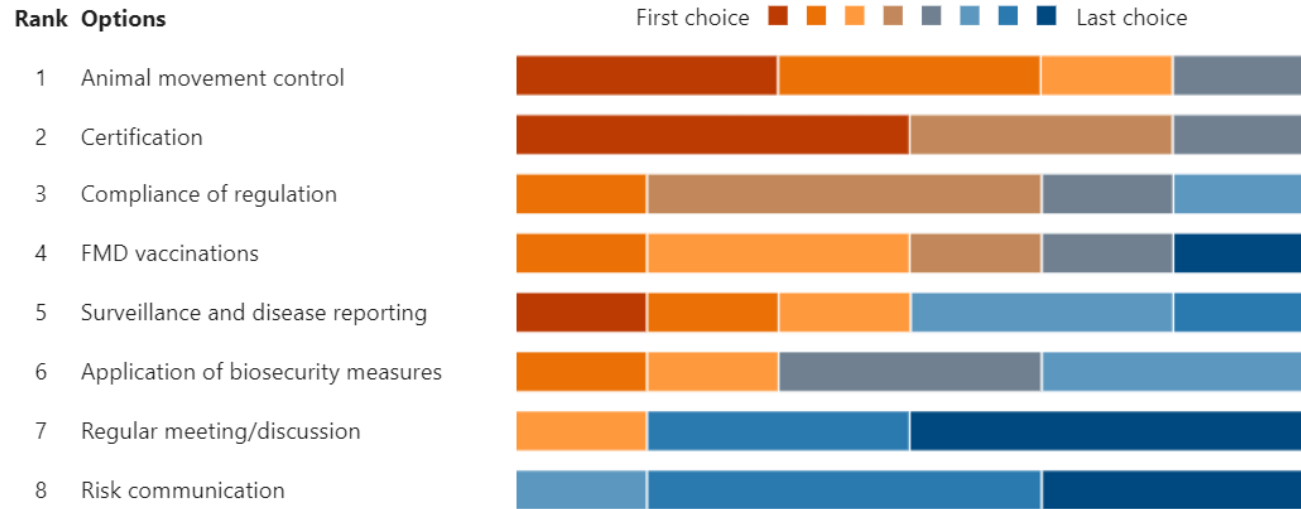
## VS and private sector engagement



## Frequency of engagement VS with the private sector

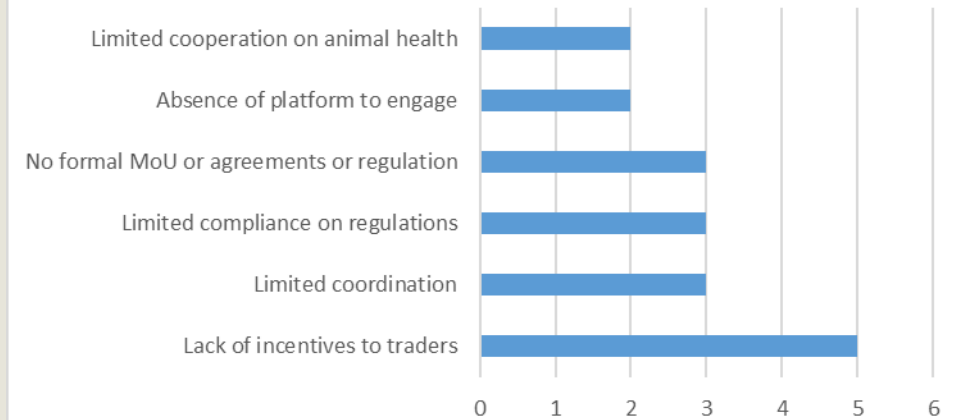


## Priority topics of engagement between VS and traders

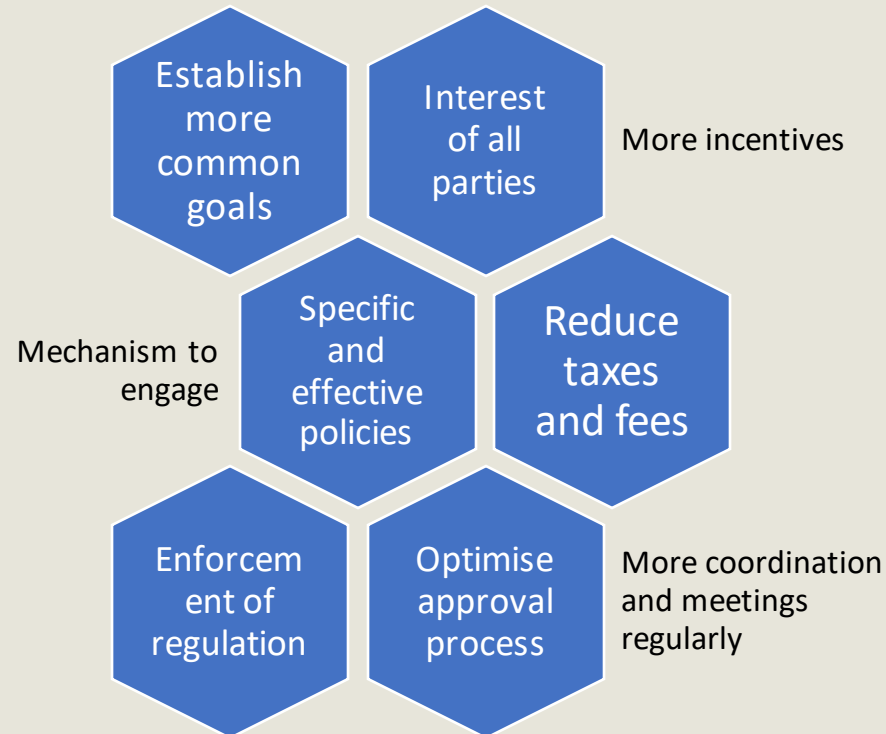


## Challenges of engagement between VS and traders

Coordination or engagement challenges between VS and traders

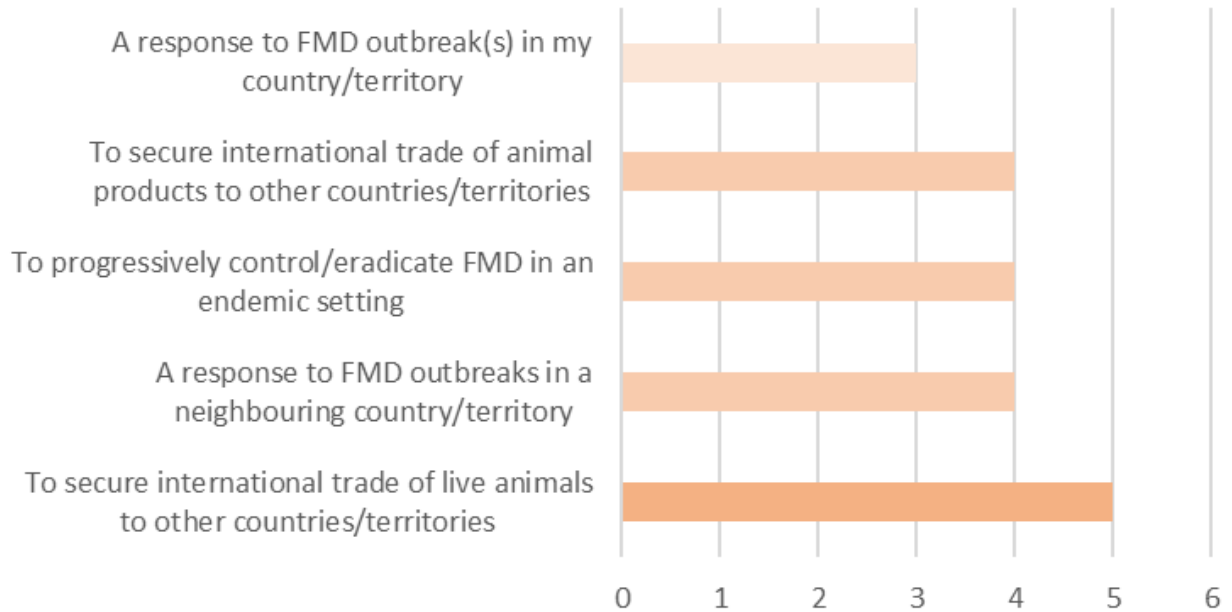


## Public and private sector engagement



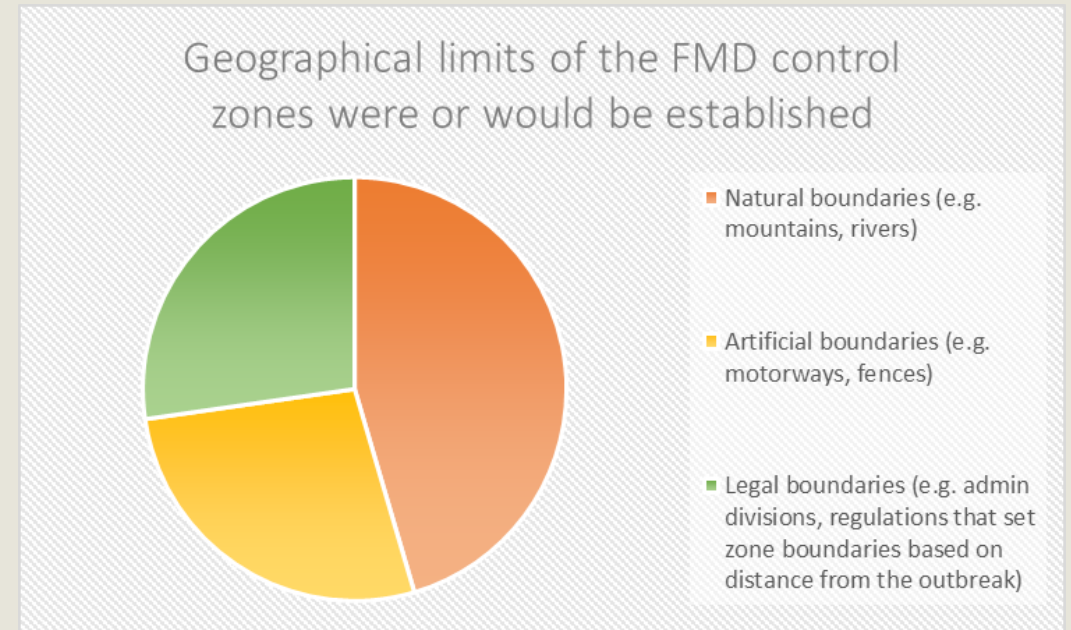
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## Geographical limits for FMD control zone

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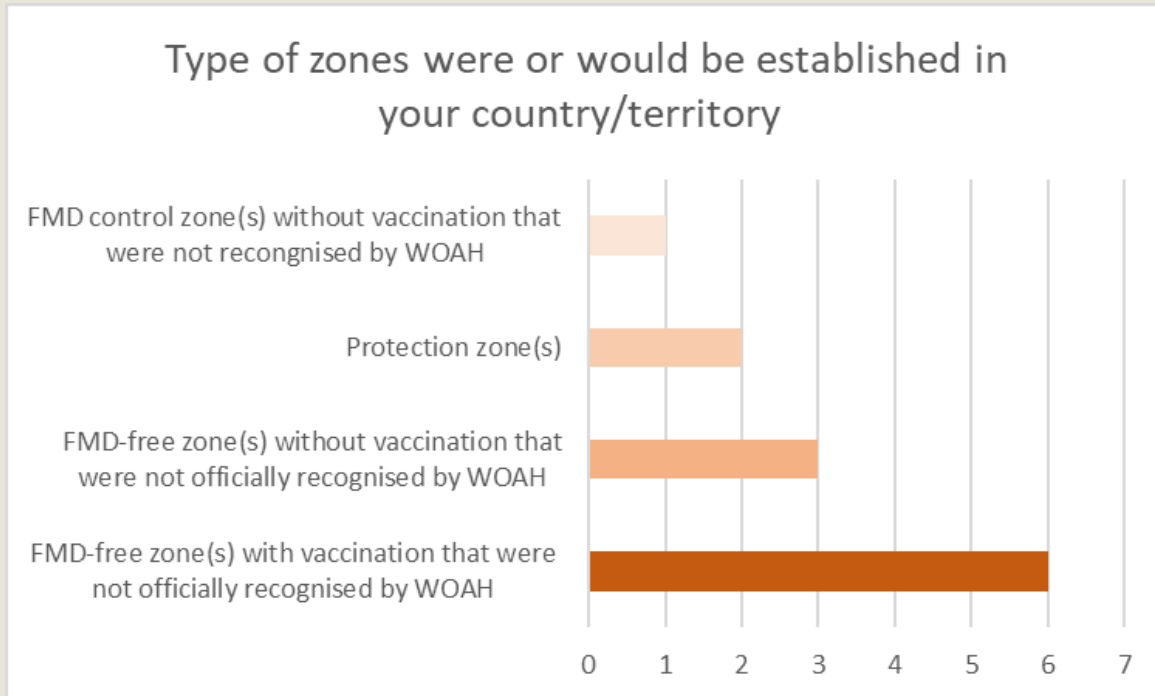






# FMD control zone (s) types and location

## Type of FMD control zones



## Location of FMD control zone (s)

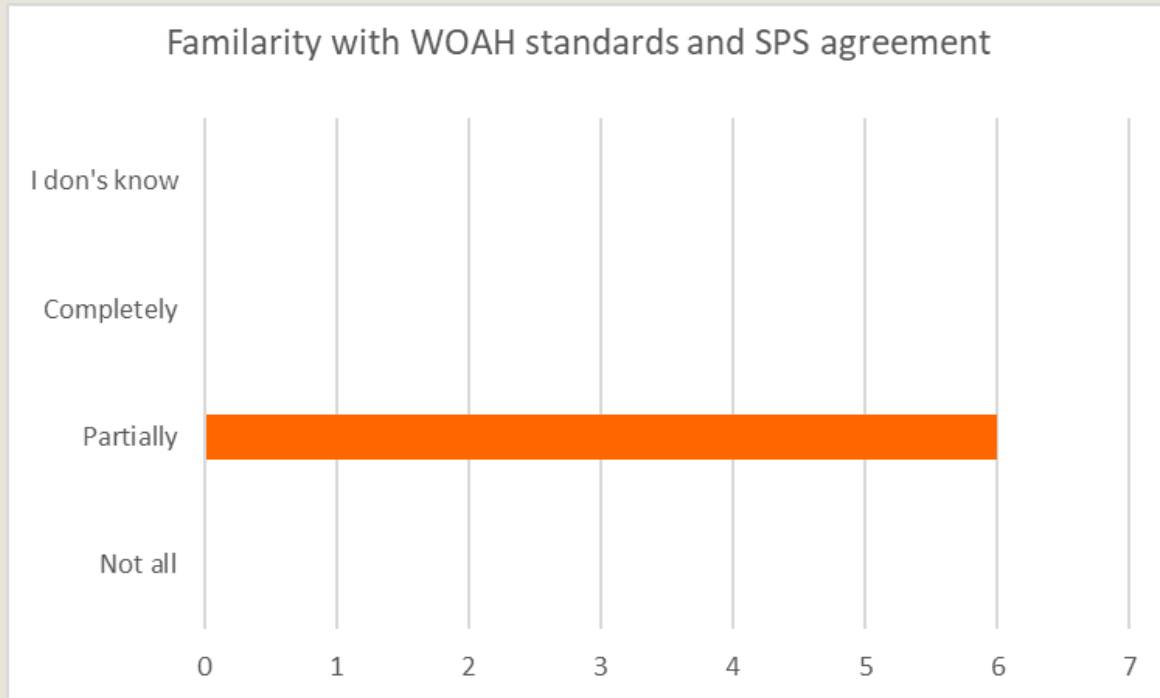
China : Shandong and Jilin province

Lao PDR:  
Sing district, Luang Namtha

Myanmar  
Kutkai township, Shan state  
Nya Pi Taw council, Nya Pi Taw

Thailand:  
Eastern Part

## Familiarity with WOAHS Standards and SPS Principles



## WOAH Standards and SPS Principles application and effectiveness

Good

Mostly but does not provide full trade facilitation for infected countries

Yes, it is definitely effective but we follow the requirements of China Side to import of live cattle to China.

Yes, Luang Namtha workshop would be useful

## Barriers to safe trade amongst Upper Mekong Countries

Many pathway trails across borders

Illegal animal trading and movement

Disease outbreaks

Shortage of human resources

Lack of authorities (enforcement) to control animal movement

Profits to traders is low

Availability of vaccines to achieving coverage and challenge to routine vaccination

Reluctance of farmers for animal identification

FMD control at bordering areas and cross borders

**Define roles** Leadership of traders: business and animal trading  
VS can provide technical support for free zones, free farms

Lack of International partners for FMD control

Challenge to maintain FMD control and free zone

## Policy recommendations to address trade barriers

Agreement in quarantine procedure and diagnostic

Official agreement on the requirements and must share common goals to work together for the economic growth on the Upper Mekong.

Both parties shall reduce taxes and fees imposed by the government

Optimize the approval process and time.

Create FMD free zones/areas at border to quarantine export/import animals

Risk assessment and surveillance at border areas

Share the animal disease and movement information

Sharing and publicizing information on foot-and-mouth disease and other major animal diseases.

Strengthen vaccination and biosecurity measures against major animal diseases inclu FMD

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### Vietnam



Cattle from Thailand export to Vietnam (transit via Lao): Cattle were randomly tested 2 times with Beta -agonist; Cattle were tagged for identification and traceability; The Transports were seal

### Lao PDR



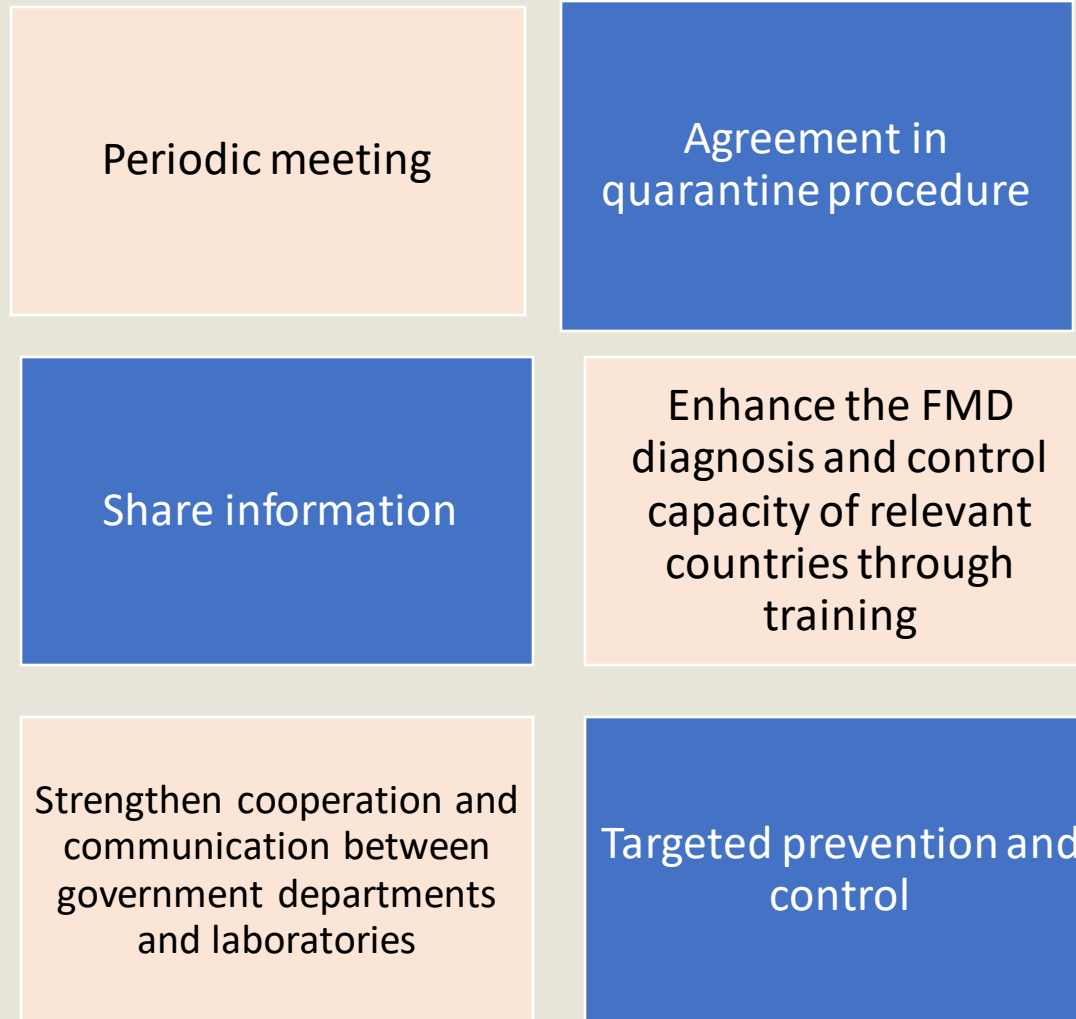
There are approved live animal requirements between Laos, Vietnam which requires FMD vaccination, quarantine , clinical examination and originated from FMD free farm.

### Myanmar

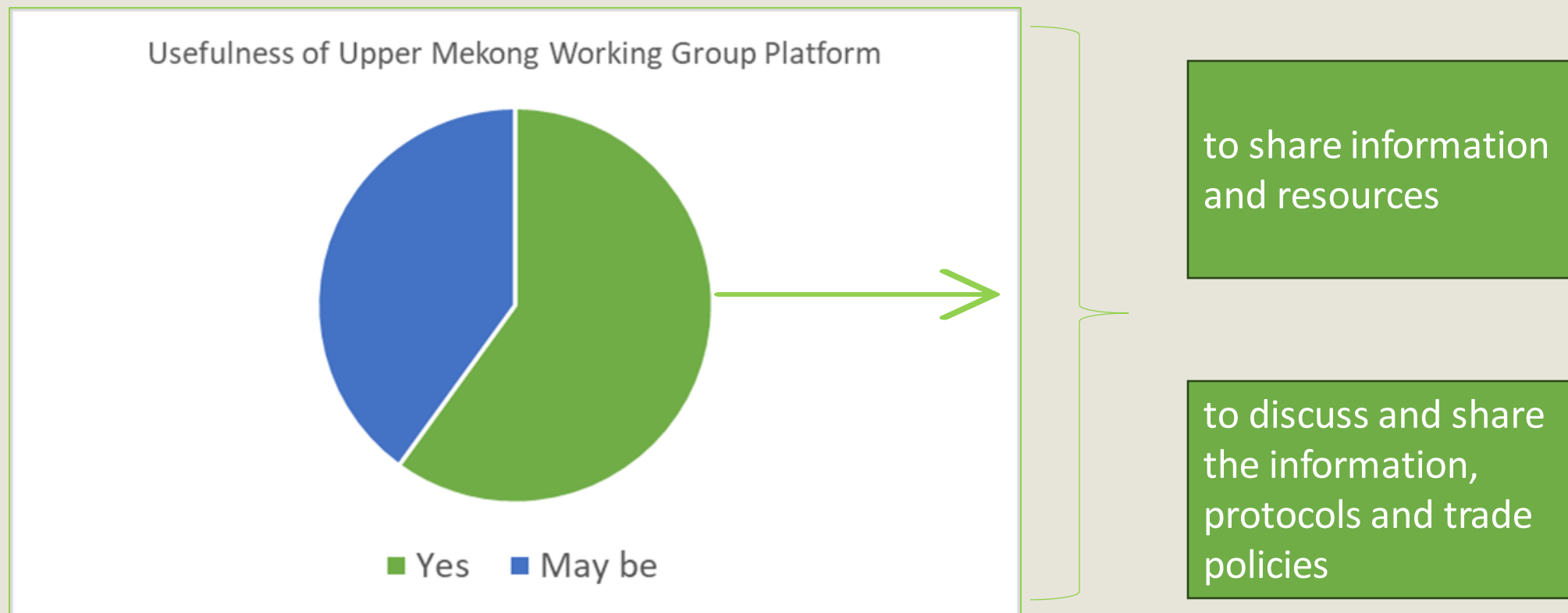


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## Coordination and cooperation amongst Upper Mekong Countries to enhance FMD control



## Usefulness of Upper Mekong Working Group Platform



# Thank you

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