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16th Meeting of the Upper Mekong Working Group
on Foot and Mouth Disease Zoning and Animal
Movement Management Back-to-back Private Sector
Consultative Committee meeting

Meeting Objective and Updates

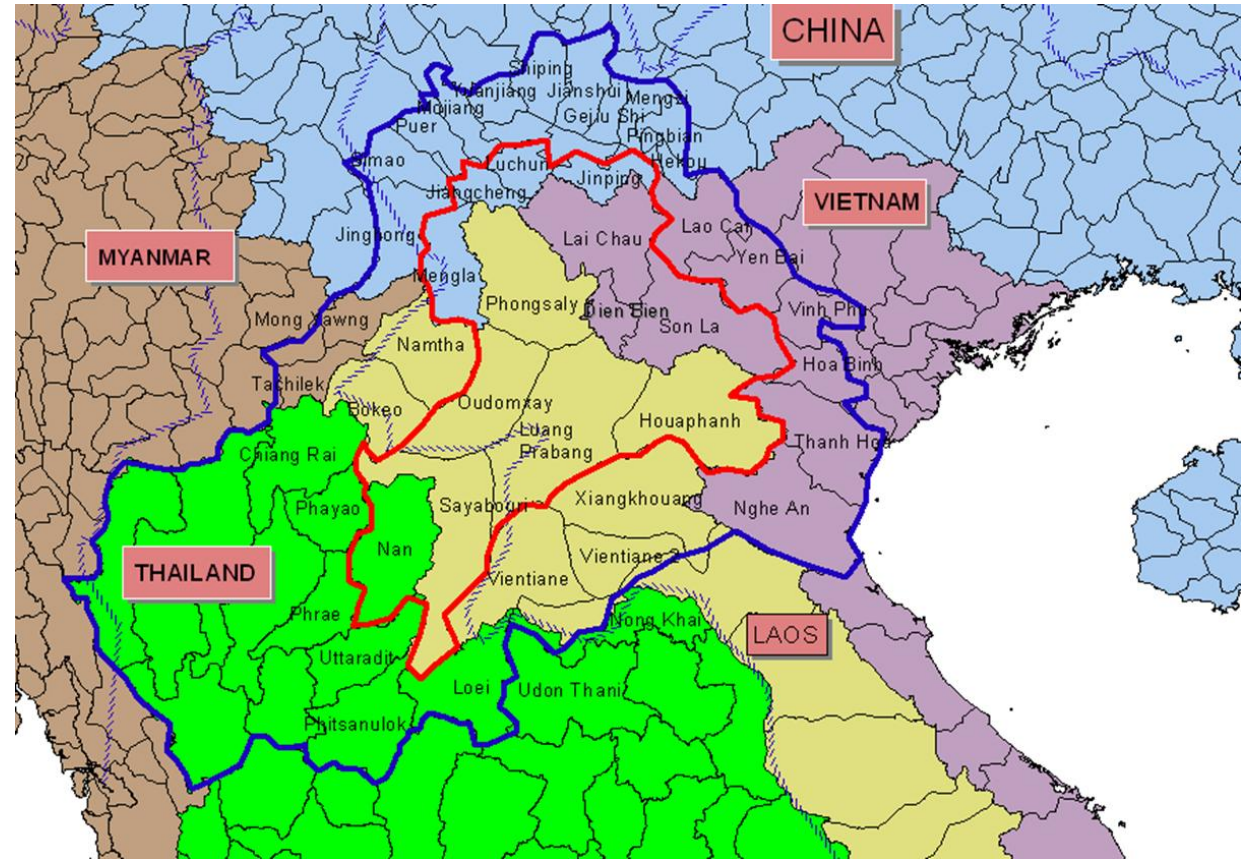
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*7-10 April 2026,
Chiang Rai, Thailand*

Outline of the presentation

- History of UMWG on FMD Zoning and Animal Movement Management
- Meeting Objectives & Format
- TOR: UMWG on FMD Zoning and Animal Movement Management
- Recommendations/Action Points from the 15th UMWG

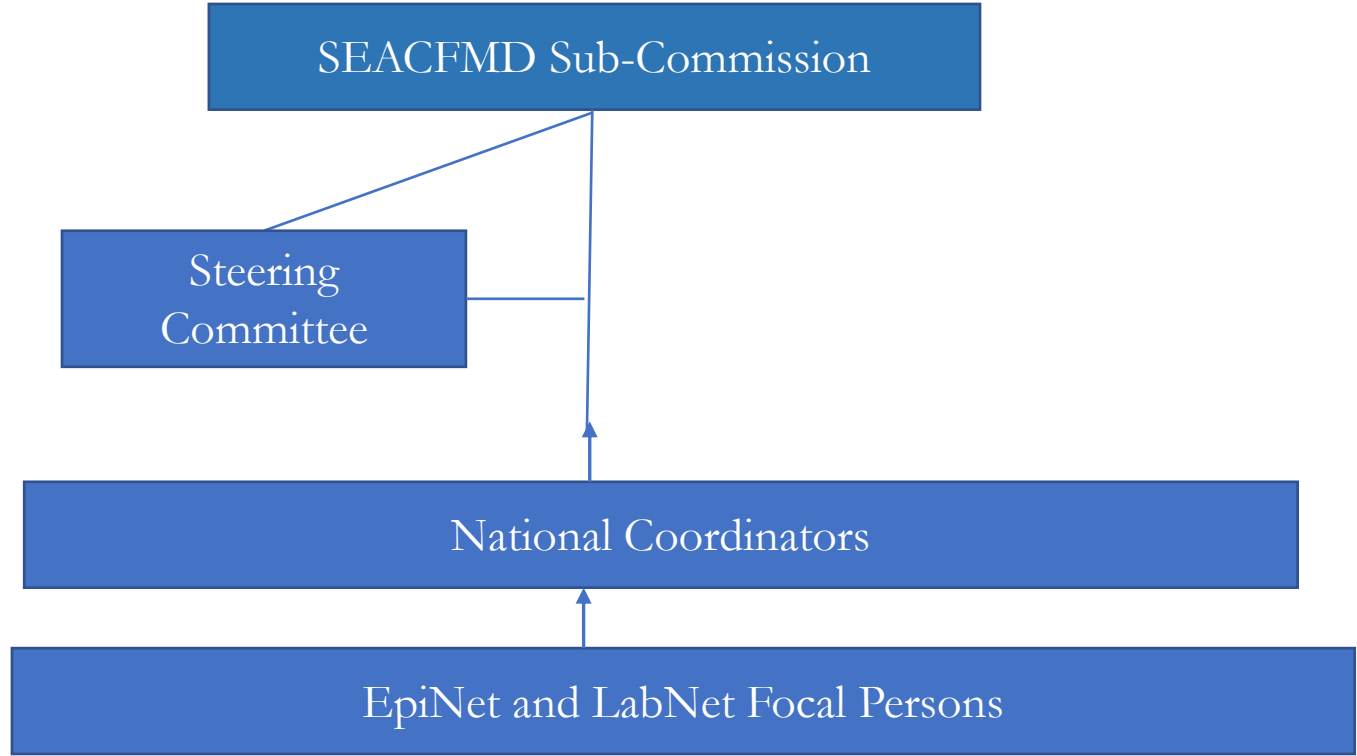


Involvement of SEACFMD Governance Bodies

Other Groups

- Private Sector Consultative Committee
- Regional FMD Expert Group
- Upper Mekong Working Group
- MTM?
- Partners/ Stakeholders
 - FAO
 - ASEAN
 - Donors

WOAH SRRSEA (Secretariat)



National Stakeholders: Public Sector, Research Institutions/ Academia, Farmers and Producers, Consumers, Local Communities, NGOs etc.

- Brunei Darusallam
- Cambodia
- China
- Indonesia
- Lao PDR
- Malaysia
- Mongolia
- Phillippines
- Singapore
- Thailand
- Vietnam



Upper Mekong Working Group on Foot and Mouth Disease Zoning and Animal Movement Management

Year	Meeting	Country
2003	1st	Luang Namtha, Lao PDR
2004	2nd	Chiang Rai, Thailand
2004	3rd	Yunnan, China
2005	4th	Kyaington, Myanmar
2006	5th	Hanoi, Vietnam
2007	6th	Oudomxay, Lao PDR
2008	7th	Chiang Rai, Thailand
2009	8th	Mangshi, Yunnan, China
2010	9th	Hanoi, Vietnam
2012	10th	NayPyiTaw, Myanmar
2014	11th	Bokeo, Lao PDR
2015	12th	Vinh Phuc, Vietnam
2017	13th	Mandalay, Myanmar
2019	14th	Xishuangbanna, Yunnan, China
2024	15th	Luang Namtha, Lao PDR
2026	16 th	Chiang Rai, Thailand



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UMWG 2, Chiang Rai, 2004



UMWG 7, Chiang Rai, January 2008

Joint Statement on harmonizing Procedures for Livestock Movement among Cambodia, China, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam (2016)



Signed on May 26th, 2016 in Paris, France

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Joint Statement on Harmonizing Procedures for Livestock Movement among Cambodia, China, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam

We, the authorised representatives of the Veterinary Services of Cambodia, PR China, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam, jointly agree on the approach to harmonizing procedures for livestock movement in our region.

This Joint Statement is drawn from discussions during the SEACFMD animal movement meeting held on 25 August 2015, in Qingdao, China, based on technical principles and the situation in each of our countries. While not legally binding, it is intended to provide guidance and direction to developing and improving management of livestock movement in our region.

We have reviewed current procedures for management of livestock movement in Member Countries, including problems and constraints, and considered the needs and opportunities for enhancement of these procedures as well as international support for such initiatives.

We acknowledge recent and future development of regional infrastructure that promotes rapid transport of commodities, including livestock, between countries. We recognize the increasing need to strengthen animal movement regulation and biosecurity procedures in the region, in order to control transboundary animal diseases, ensure food safety, and protect the health of animals and the public in our countries to achieve national, regional and global benefits.

WE JOINTLY AGREE THAT:

1. Veterinary Services of Member Countries shall develop, strengthen and improve procedures for managing the movement of livestock and their products in each country, in order to control transboundary animal diseases, promote food safety, and protect the health of animals and the public in our countries and our region.
2. Procedures for managing biosecurity and the health risks associated with the movement of livestock and their products, including international health certification, will be developed and harmonized based on the OIE Code and other international standards.
3. Bi-lateral or multi-lateral agreements on regional livestock movement and trade ~~should be developed and implemented~~.
4. The Upper Mekong Working Group, coordinated by OIE Sub Regional Representation for South-East Asia, should serve as the focus for development of standardised protocols and procedures to support cross-border trade in livestock, including consideration of the development of control zones. The representatives of individual Member Countries on this group will be suitably supported by our respective Veterinary Services to assist in this important coordination work.

5. Veterinary Services continue to encourage technical collaboration and information sharing among Member Countries on managing the movement of animals and animal products, including biosecurity, animal identification, information systems, communication and import risk analysis.
6. International donors and partner agencies, including OIE and FAO, should continue to support capacity building in the region through workshops and training sessions, with assistance from relevant international experts.
7. We will continue to utilize various regional platforms such as the ASEAN+1 (ASEAN+China) and ADB-initiated Greater Mekong Subregion SPS Agreement, in pursuing the harmonisation of regional biosecurity and livestock movement management, including development and mutual recognition of control zones.

Signed on May 26th, 2016 in Paris, France

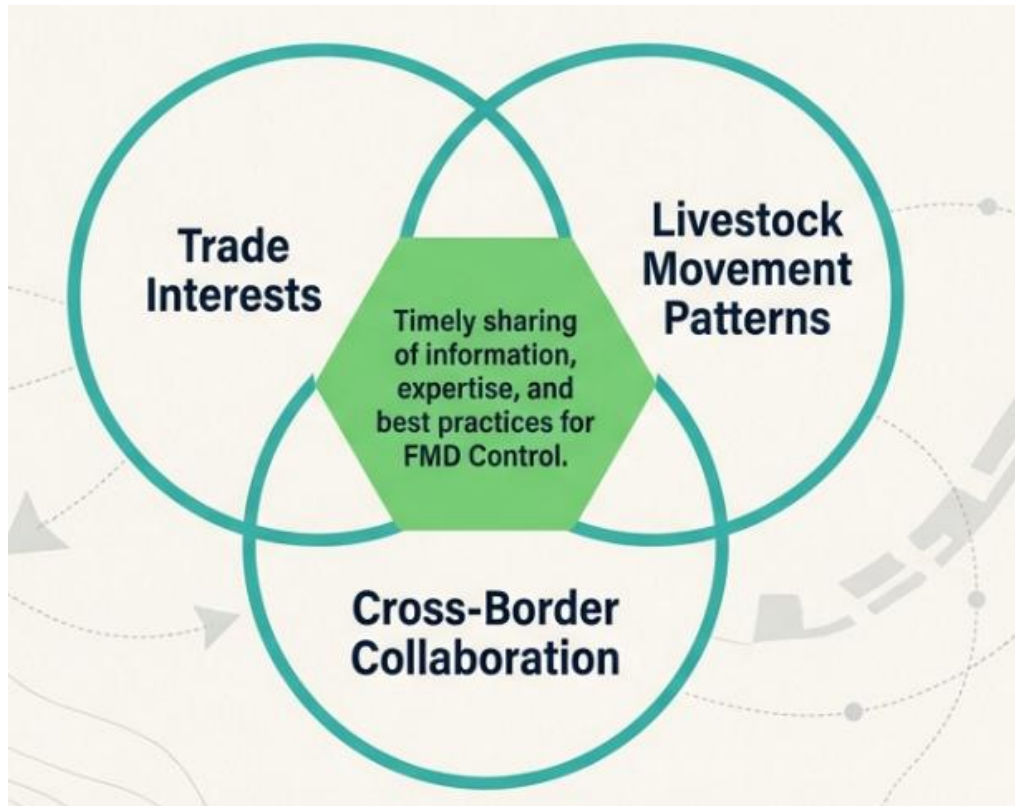
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TOR- SEACFMD Upper Mekong Working Group (UMWG) on FMD Zoning and Animal movement management

A regional cluster approach



Roles of SEACFMD Upper Mekong Working Group

- The SEACFMD UMWG will provide technical input to promote safe trade, facilitate cross-border movement control, and encourage collaboration among local authorities of Upper Mekong countries, thereby contributing to the prevention and control of FMD in the region
- Share updated information on cross-border trade activities and bilateral agreements between countries.
- Share experiences using WOAHA standards, guidelines, and best practices for effective FMD and TADs prevention and control for trade purposes.
- Provide updates on FMD and TADs prevention and control activities, including mapping of regional disease risks and cross-border animal movement pathways.
- Encourage networking and public-private partnerships among countries in the region and identify the way forward for strengthened disease control and collaboration.
- Encourage collaboration between local authorities to support safe trade establishing trade or disease control zones.

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Primary Meeting Objectives

- **SEACFMD Roadmap Alignment:**
 - Align regional implementation plans and activities with the **SEACFMD Roadmap 2026–2030** and identify priority action points for the 2026–2027 period.
- **Trade & Cross-Border Movement:**
 - Share **experiences and lessons learned** on trade barriers, opportunities, and the use of **bilateral agreements** to control cross-border animal movement.
- **Standards & Technical Capacity:**
 - Build **practical capacity** to apply **WOAH standards and technical regulations**, specifically focusing on **zoning and animal movement management** to support safer and more efficient trade.
- **Operational Coordination:**
 - Improve coordination between **Veterinary Services and the private sector** by identifying priority areas for collaboration and mechanisms for **regular information sharing** at both the national and Upper Mekong regional levels.
- **Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs):**
 - Identify key challenges and priorities to develop **actionable recommendations** and practical options that strengthen the effectiveness of **PPPs for FMD control** and safe trade

Objectives

Experience sharing and lessons learned on the trade barriers, opportunities and bilateral agreements to control cross-border animal movement

Build practical capacity to apply WOAH standards and technical regulations, particularly zoning and animal movement management, to directly support safer and more efficient trade

Improve operational coordination between Veterinary Services and the private sector by identifying priority areas for collaboration and mechanisms for regular information sharing at national and Upper Mekong region.

Identify key challenges and priorities and develop practical recommendations and actionable options to strengthen the effectiveness of public–private partnerships (PPPs) for FMD control and safe trade at national and Upper Mekong region.

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Program Structure

• Day 1: Situational Assessment & Regional Updates

- Review of SEACFMD Roadmap 2026–2030 and country-specific updates.
- **Interactive Session:** Group exercise to identify the current "state of play," main challenges, and strategies for enhancing FMD/TADs control.

• Day 2: Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)

- Engagement with the Private Sector Consultative Committee (PSCC).
- **Interactive Session:** Panel discussions and a dedicated Workshop on Public-Private Partnerships.

• Day 3: Technical Analysis & Strategic Planning

- Focus on animal movement methodology and country data reviews.
- **Way Forward:** Identifying priority action points for 2026–2027 and aligning with the SEACFMD Roadmap.

• Day 4: Practical Application

- **Field Visit:** On-site visit to the Chiang Saen Commercial Port.



AGENDA
16th Meeting of the Upper Mekong Working Group
on Foot and Mouth Disease Zoning and Animal Movement Management Back-to-back Private
Sector Consultative Committee meeting
7-10 April 2026, Chiang Rai, Thailand

Day 1: 7 April 2026		
08.30-09.00	Participants registration	WOAH
Session 1: Opening session		
09.00-09.10	Welcome remarks Opening remarks Group photo	WOAH-Host c
Session 2: Regional updates disease situation and count		
09.10-09.20	Meeting objective/ Revised UMWG TOR/ review 15 th UMWG Meeting recommendations/ implementation	WOAH
09.20-09.50	SEACFMD Roadmap 2026 – 2030 and SEACFMD campaign progress	WOAH
09.50-10.10	Regional FMD situation updates and risks	WOAH
10.10-10.30	Discussion	
10.30-11.50	Coffee break	
11.50-12.30	Country updates	Memb
12.30-13.30	Lunch break	
13.30-14.00	Continue Country updates	Memb
14.00-14.30	Global FMD Situation update	WRLF
14.30-15.30	Group exercise: SEACFMD-UMWG - Current state of play - Main challenges - Enhancing FMD/TADs control in UM region and roadmap implementation	WOAH
15.30-14.00	Coffee break	
16.00-17.00	Continue group exercise and plenary session	

Day 2: 8 April 2026		
Session 3 PPP and PSCC		
09.00-09.20	SEACFMD Roadmap: PSCC component	WOAH SRR SEA
09.20-09.40	Review previous PSCC meeting recommendation/ implementation, WOAHP guideline	WOAH SRR SEA
09.40-10.30	Private sector update: UMWG countries	Private sector representatives
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	
11.00-11.20	Private sector update: UMWG countries	Private sector representatives
11.20-12.30	Panel discussion	WOAH/Participants
12.30-13.30	Lunch	
13.30-18.00	Workshop PPP	WOAH/Participants
18.00-18.30	Wrap up	
18.00-20.00	WOAH reception dinner	
Day 3: 9 April 2026		
Session 4: Animal movement		
09.00-09.20	Overview of Animal Movement in the SEACFMD Members	Experts
09.20-10.00	Field Study Methodology	Experts
10.00-10.15	Q&A and Clarifications	All
10.15-11.45	Group Work: Country Data Review and Preliminary Exploration	Experts
11.45-12.15	Group Presentations and Synthesis	Groups
12.15-12.30	Group Presentations and Synthesis	Experts
12.30-13.30	Lunch	
Session 5: Way Forward and Next step		
13.30-15.30	Alignment with SEACFMD roadmap Implementation plan and action points Identification of priority action 2026-2027	WOAH/Participants
15.30-16.00	Coffee break	
16.00-17.00	Recommendation Closing Remarks	WOAH SRR SEA Host country
Day 4: 10 April 2026		
Field visit		
08.00-13.00 (TBC)	Field visit: Chiang Saen Commercial Port	DLD/WOAH SRR SEA

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Zoning and Animal Movement Management

Luang Namtha, Lao PDR 24-26 April, 2023

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. NOTE the SEACFMD Campaign's progress and the evolving FMD situation, including changes in epidemiology, pre-dominant serotypes and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Furthermore, noted the dynamic, real-time SEACFMD dashboard published on WOAH RR website which is accessible to Member countries.
2. NOTE the progress in FMD prevention and control measures, including livestock trade, import-export trends, quarantine and fattening stations, border and animal movement control, with some Upper Mekong countries establishing disease control zones accepted by importing countries for trade purposes.
3. NOTE the significant changes in the animal movement pathways and market demand post-COVID-19 in the Upper Mekong region.
4. NOTE that the conclusions and recommendations of the 15th UMWG will be presented to the SEACFMD Sub-Commission and National coordinator's meeting for consideration.
5. AGREE to implement priority actions identified during the meeting to facilitate safe trade in the Upper Mekong Region.
6. AGREE to strengthen cross-border information sharing, and engagement to improve FMD surveillance, early detection response, and animal movement.
7. AGREE to promote PPP initiatives to enhance coordination amongst the public and private sectors. The priority areas identified for PPP are access to quality vaccines, FMD surveillance, developing and maintaining trade zones.
8. REQUEST WOAH SRR SEA to support the study of Animal Movement pattern and changes to better understand animal movement risk pathways, changes based on demand, supply and price fluctuation.
9. AGREE to continue discussions on regionalisation, zoning tools to manage FMD risks, exploring trade opportunities and business continuity.
10. ACKNOWLEDGE the active participation of the livestock trader representatives in the meeting discussions to encourage private public partnership to ensure safe trade,
11. Request Thailand to host the next Upper Mekong Working Group meeting
12. THANK the Government of Lao PDR, the officials, and staff of Department of Livestock and Forestry for their hospitality and excellent hosting of the meeting.

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Governance UMWG	
Hold UMWG meetings every two years, along with an annual virtual meeting to share experiences and provide updates in the Upper Mekong region	2018 Xishuangbanna China 2024 Luang Namtha, Lao PPR 2026 Chiang Rai 2028 ?
To organise regular technical meetings between local authorities from both sides of the bordering area	Country report
FMD prevention and control	
Conduct training on risk-based surveillance, outbreak investigation, laboratory diagnosis and response at the border area	Surveillance training b2b SEACFMD LabNet –planned in Q4 2026
Have regular consultation meetings with relevant stakeholders including awareness session for local authorities	Country report
Update SEA Regional FMD situation	<u>South-East Asia, China and Mongolia Foot and Mouth Disease (SEACFMD) Campaign WOAHA - Asia</u>

Conduct Regional study on animal movement and patterns to better understand changing risk pathways related to FMD. This study should include a risk assessment as part of the risk profiling

‘Animal movement pathway and value chain study in Asia’ – UMWG 5 countries + Malaysia and Indonesia

Day 2 – Session Animal movement

Strengthen the Laboratory coordination among Upper Mekong countries through SEACFMD Lab Network (extend invitation to the lab the border area)

SEACFMD LabNetwork meeting – 2021, LVRI

SEACFMD LabNetwork meeting -2026 B2B Surveillance training

To include the promotion of safe and high-quality vaccine usage as the topic in the agenda for the bilateral agreement and discussions at G2G level

Country report

Strategic prioritization of the application/use of FMD vaccine (free zone, border area and risk based)

Country report

PPP

Promote and encourage participation of private sectors from each country UM countries into future meetings

Invite private sector's representatives and working group members to upcoming PSCC meetings

Members encourage to use of WOAHA available tools to strengthen (PPP. Tools including PVS, PPP targeted support, PPP handbook), e-learning courses and database on PPP



Thank you for your attention



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