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Indonesia National Coordinating Committee (NCC) takes part in the 5th meeting of the Coral Triangle Initiatives for Fisheries, Coral reefs and Food security (CTI-CFF) Regional Exchange Marine Protected Area (MPA REX-5) Manila, Philippines



This 5-day regional event was designed to accomplish the following objectives: (1) Review CTMPAS (Spell out first time) Framework and Action Plan implementation to date in relation to country level actions; (2) Review country level progress towards the development of MPA Monitoring and Evaluation systems, share progress and develop action plans for each country as appropriate for their level of development; (3) Review MPA nomination status to date and plans for each country to nominate more sites; Review status of CT Atlas data base on MPAs with that of countries and needs to enhance; (4) Review needs for better integration of the fisheries and CCA into **MPA sites**; (5) **Refine Scope of Work and role of the "MPA Coordinator" position for CTI-CFF MPA –TWG**; (6) Review representation, role and benefit of CTMPAS Advisory Committee in reviewing CTMPAS nominations; (7) Continue to share experiences and lessons on MPA networks/systems in each CT country; (8) Review targets for CTMPAS indicators in relation to baselines, and (9) Conduct a MPA Technical Working Group meeting to review and endorse results of workshop.

Indonesia officials from the Marine Protected Area Working Group of NCC-CTI CFF took part in a 5 day meeting organized by The Government of the Philippines through its CTI-CFF National Coordination Committee (NCC) in collaboration with the CTI-CFF Interim Regional Secretariat and the MPA Technical Working Group on July 14-18, 2014 in Mactan, Cebu, Philippines. The theme of this regional exchange meeting was **"Refining MPA management effectiveness** protocols in each country to support and align with the Coral Triangle MPA System (CTMPAS) Framework. This workshop was attended by a total of 30 participants from Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands, and Papua New Guinea; also representatives of the Interim Secretariat of the CTI-CFF Regional, NOAA, the US Virgin Islands and CTI-CFF partners such as the Coral Triangle Center (CTC), The Nature Conservancy (TNC), and the Asian Development Bank (ADB).



This workshop was opened by the Vice Chairman of the Interim Regional Secretariat CTI-CFF. Welcoming remarks were given by representatives of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Philippines and the Government of Lapu-Lapu City Region, Cebu Province, Philippines. It was stressed that this forum provides the CT6 countries the opportunity to exchange information and progress on the development of Marine Protected Areas in their respective countries. In addition to the exchange of information, delegates from the CT6 countries, which are members of the Technical Working Group on Marine Protected Areas (MPA Technical Working Group / TWG MPA), would agree on a road map and plan a year ahead of MPA-REX-5 TWG.

This MPA Rex-5 meeting was a continuation of the meetings previously of MPA REX 1-4, that had formulated a framework and action plan of CT-MPAS and effective management of the CTI-CFF criteria that have been approved by each country member of the CTI. The CT-MPAS framework has become a guideline for CTI member countries in developing the CTF system increase and the effectiveness of its management.

The agenda for the meeting was as the followings: Day 1 was a review and report on progress, and obstacles in the implementation of the framework and action plan of Marine Protected Areas System in the Coral Triangle (CTMPAS; Day 2 was a review and report on the progress of the CT -6 countries in their development plan and implementation of standards for evaluating the effectiveness of marine protected area management; Day 3 consisted of field trips to study and compare models of marine protected areas in Cebu and the roles of effective management in the area of adaptive management; Day 4 was a review of the status of the CT Atlas as a regional information system that can play a role in tracking the progress of the implementation of national water conservation planning and management ,as well as the effectiveness of the regional and national levels; the integration of climate change adaptation within the framework of fisheries management and the network of marine protected areas; and Day 5 was preparation for the Roadmap MPA 2015-2020 by the CT-6 countries.

On the first day of the meeting the Indonesian Delegation had an opportunity to report the progress on achieving the goals and objectives of the implementation and action plans of CTMPAS. We shared experiences and success stories and challenges in initiating the primary MPA areas in Indonesia namely *Anambas*, *Savu* Sea Marine Protected Area and *Pangumbahan* Turtle Coastal Park and also Wakatobi National Park as a CTMPAS. The head of Indonesian Delegation also expressed that the primary obstacle in the nominating process was the weakness of Human Resources (HR) in the organization, the data and information available on the Marine Protected Areas. Therefore, it is very important to do capacity building for the managers in order to be successful in the future.



On the second day the Indonesia Delegation presented the progress of development and implementation of *E-KKP3K* (Evaluation of Management Effectiveness of Marine Protected Areas and Small Islands) as a tools of performance evaluation of sustainable management of a conservation area. The *E-KKP3K*, legalized through the Director General of Marine, Coastal and Small Islands (KP3K) Number: KEP.44 / KP3K / 2012, was a standard device for decision makers, protected area managers, and stakeholders,both nationally and locally, to evaluate the performance and effectiveness of marine protected area management. On the same occasion, Indonesian Delegations also presented the results of the *E-KKP3K* assessment against 93 KKP3K which was held in 2013.

On the third day, the CT-6 countries delegation had the opportunity to study and compare the model of management of local-scale water conservation village in Cebu. On the fourth day we discussed the role of CT Atlas as a system of monitoring and evaluation of the goals of CTI-CFF regional programs, which might play a role in tracking the progress of the implementation of the national MPA. On the fifth day, the meeting was concluded to prepare the development of the road map of CT-MPAS in 2015 - 2020 by the CT-6 countries, as well as MPA TWG meeting.

The MPA TWG Meeting produced several important decisions including approval of the MPA TWG roadmap year 2014-2015; the approval of the proposal by Indonesia to host the CTMPAS Award event in November or December 2015; and updating data and information in CT-Atlas.

It is expected that the results of this MPA TWG REX-5 meeting will support the implementation of Marine Protected Areas System in each CTI countries which will contribute to the goals of the Regional Plan Action of CTI-CFF. Our hope is that this will lead to better management of all Marine Protected Areas in all of the cooperating countries



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