



# Session 1: Report on the situation of the dissemination and discussion in Thailand

- Water allocation is a complicated issue in Thailand. (?)
- The policy at the national level should be explicit enough to guide an equitable and efficient allocation of water.

- Water can be accessed openly by everybody.
- People do not pay attention to water allocation and water rights system.
- The new Water Law, which provides water rights system, was drafted but not enacted.

- How to manage water use efficiency demand management that includes **water allocation and water right**, rationing and compensation, improving of infrastructure, crop diversification.
- Many of these involve with establishment of rules and regulation.
- Consult **concerned agencies and stakeholders** to revise water allocation part in the National water Policy.

- **Explicit policy of water allocation at river basin level is lacking.**
- **This issue causes competing of use in dry season and at the same time inefficient use of water resources.**
- **In case of drought, government tends to divert water for industry without consideration of compensation for farmers.**
- **Farmers are quite stressed when drought happens.**

A workshop at Bang Prakong river basin: Water Allocation (only)

# What we should do in case of drought in the coming dry season?

- Ask farmers about B/C for paddy field in dry season.
- Ask engineers about water use for various activities.
- Discuss about sharing limited water
- Then ask farmers to stop planting with compensation from industrial
- Negotiation for compensation

# Next steps

- Water Allocation and Water Distribution
- Water Control and Water Measurement
- Water Monitoring in weekly basis
- Data collection by RBC
- Water rights
- Water prices





Thank you