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THE 3rd THEMATIC WORKSHOP ON WATER ALLOCATION AND WATER RIGHTS

SESSION 3 OF VIETNAM

Review of the former workshops (2) (PROPOSALS, PROCESSES/PROCESSES)

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PROPOSALS OF VIETNAM

PROPOSALS OF WATER RIGHT & WATER ALLOCATION:

- 1. Legal framework**
- 2. Organization**
- 3. Financial**
- 4. Technical**

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1. Legal framework

- Proposal :** 1. Adjust Law on Water Resources and Decree on law enforcement to adapt to Governmental and provincial organization for the present and for the future. (2007-2008)
2. Build decree to determine specific functions to state agencies who have to be responsible for integrated management of water resources and sectoral water resources management agency and the linkage among agencies. (2007-2008)
3. Continue to establish RBOs and clearly identify functions, duties and mechanisms for these RBOs. (2007-2010)
4. Carry out planning and approve planning: Shoud Plan for water resources development in river basin and planning for management and exploitation of hydraulic infrastructure of river basin as technical and scientific basis for integrated and sectoral water resources managements. (2007-2011)

Evaluation

1. Legal framework

Proposal :

- Evaluation from the view point of effectiveness:

Law and relevant decrees will be applied and executed in actual context.

- Evaluation from the view point of feasibility:

The Government has planned to realize these proposals. These proposals are also the requirements for the State and water users.

- Evaluation from the view point of sustainability:

Completion of law and government/provincial organization will facilitate the management of sustainable protection and development of water resources.

- Difficulty in implementation of the proposal:

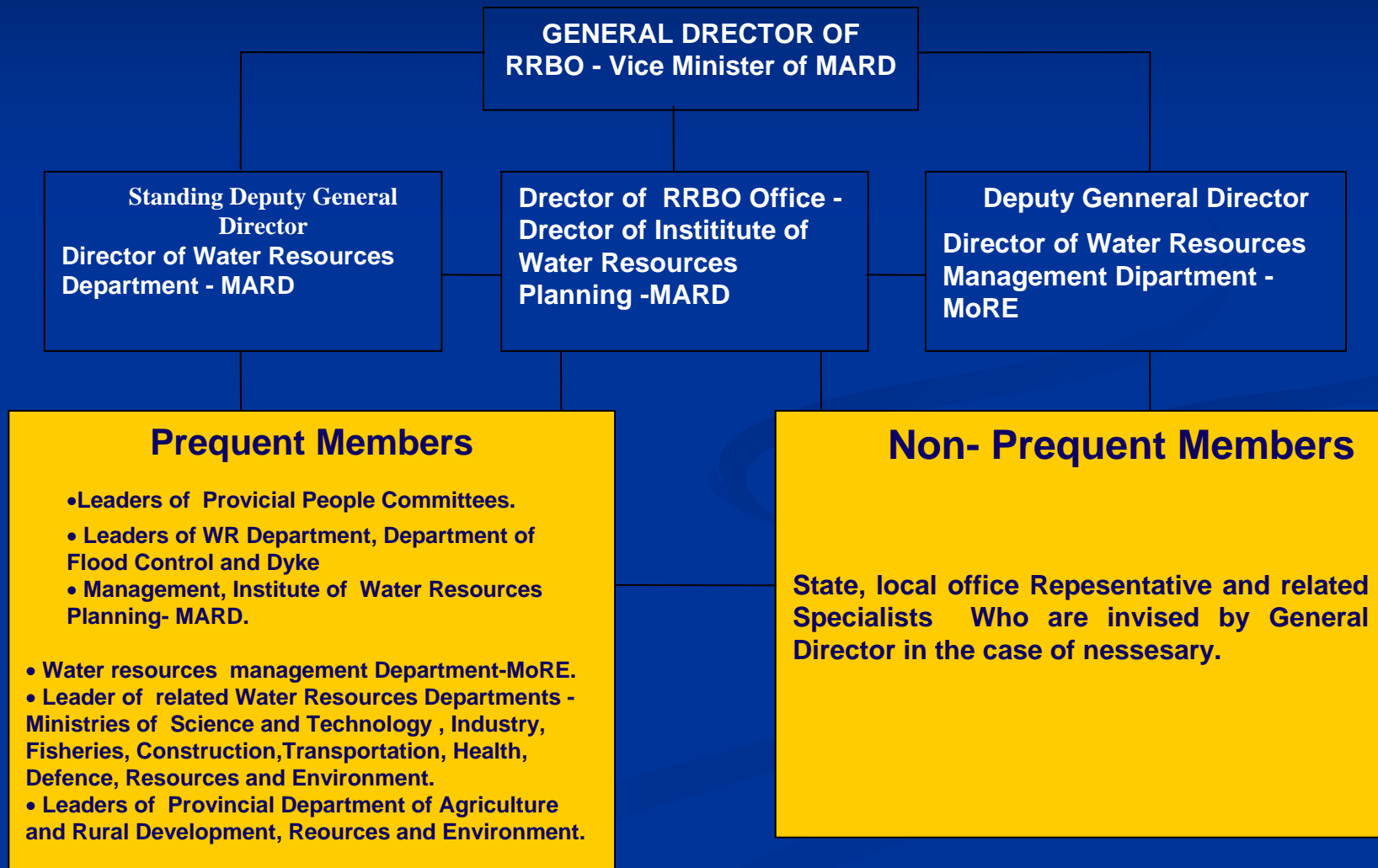
+ Largely depending on plans of Government and sectors.

+ There are disputes on functions and tasks of integrated and sectoral management of water resources. Consensus in management and utilization of water resources as stipulated in law and to be enforced is difficult to reach.

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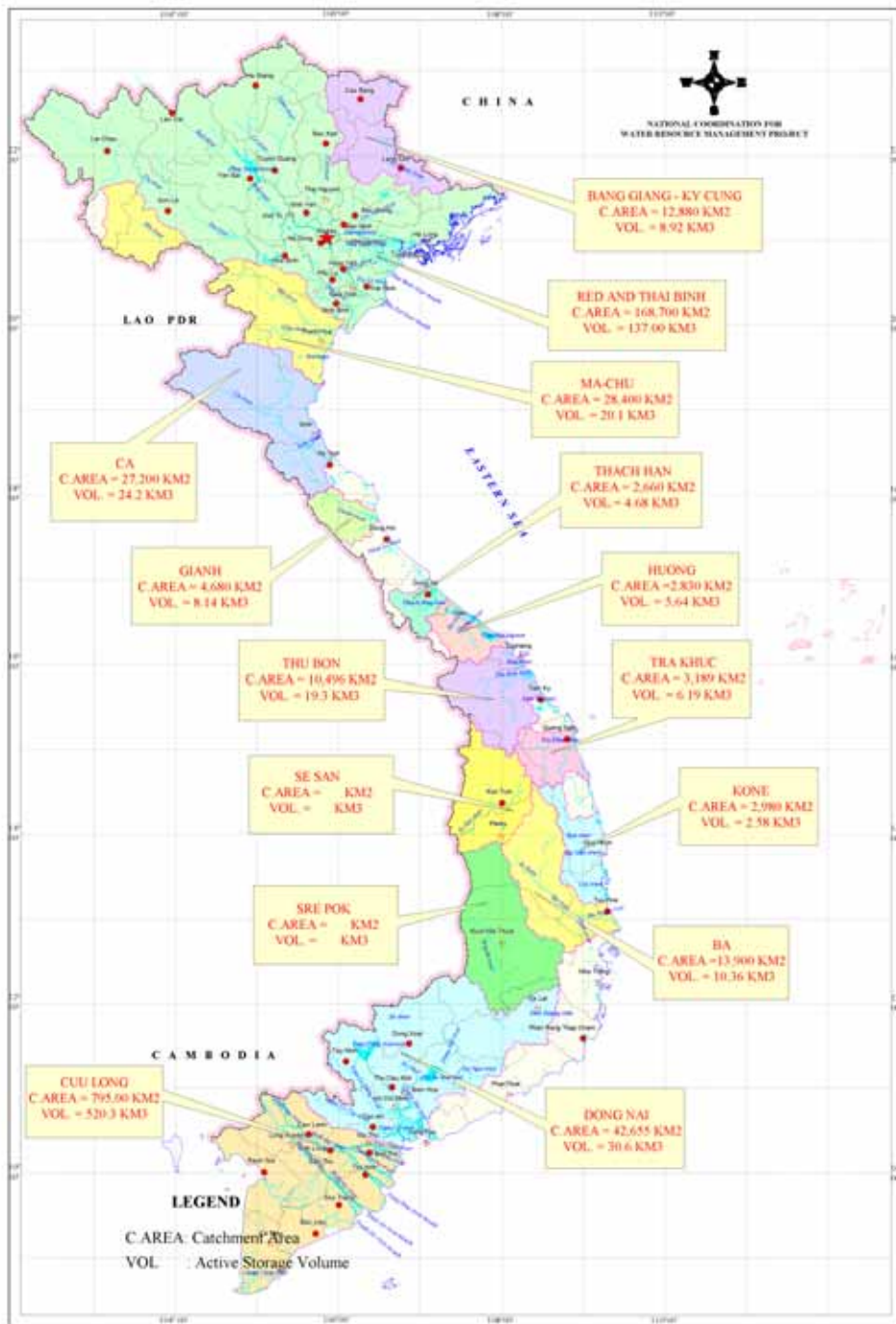
2: ORGANIZATION- Proposal 2:

ORGANIZATION CHART OF THE RED RIVER BASIN ORGANIZATION (RRBO)



2: ORGANIZATION

14 main river Basins of Vietnam



Proposal 2: Organization

So far, 8 RBOs and sub-RBOs have been formed by MARD and respective provinces and are being operated.

PROPOSAL :

1. Complete the organization and human resource, especially in Office of RBO (including office, equipment, technology and personnel).
2. Develop and issue regulations reflecting the position of RBO in MARD and to relevant water sectors.
3. Develop and plan water resources development, management and exploitation of hydraulic structure system and approval of these plans.
4. Capacity building and study tours to exchange experience and information for RBO's human resources.

* The running cost for implementing RBOs need to be improved.

Proposal 2: Organization

PROPOSAL :

Evaluation from the view point of effectiveness:

- Complete RBOs in terms of functions, tasks, organization mechanism, technical equipment capacity and position in MARD and in the eyes of various water use sectors.
- The RBOs will be efficient consultant organization for integrated water resources management, say, water resources planning, allocation, monitoring and dispute management.

Evaluation from the view point of feasibility:

Proposals should be highly feasible once being paid attention by MARD and provinces. The high feasibility of these proposals is also required for integrated water resources management in developed countries.

Proposal 2:

Organization PROPOSAL :

Evaluation from the view point of sustainability :

Once RBOs are perfected, they can operate and be able to provide consultant services to state and provincial administration agencies, not only on water resources but also on sustainable economic development.

Implementation agenda :

1. Complete the organization: **2007-2009**
2. Issue regulations reflecting the position of RBO in MARD and to the other sectors: **2007-2009**
3. Develop and plan water resources development, management and exploitation of hydraulic structure system and approval of these plans: **2007-2009**
4. Capacity building and study tours to exchange experience and information for RBO's human resources: **2007-2011.**

Proposal 2: Organization

PROPOSAL :

Difficult in implementation of the proposals:

- RBO is a newly formed agency.
- The attention of Government, sectors and provinces to this agency is not reasonable.
- There have not been water related disputes or mechanism for sector coordination.

Proposal 3:

Financial

PROPOSAL :

- 1.The Government and provinces should finance the new construction of infrastructure in a synchronous way and support regular maintenance and upgrading of existing structures. (2007-2011).
- 2.To seek for financing from international organizations, governmental organizations, bilateral donors to invest in water resources development and management. (2007-2011).
- 3.Socialization of investment in hydraulic infrastructure as well of the process of management and exploitation of hydraulic structures. (2007-2011).
- 4.To complete the policy and mechanism for investment, management, taxation and exploitation of water resources. (2007-2011).
5. Water fee need to be improved. (2007-2008).

Proposal 3: Financial

PROPOSAL :

Evaluation from the view point of effectiveness:

Adequate investment will help increase the operational effectiveness of hydraulic infrastructure and meet the goal of introduction of integrate water resources management, water allocation and water rights into real life.

Evaluation from the view point of feasibility:

Financing should be mobilized from many sources. There should be proper and feasible mechanism for rights and obligations.

Evaluation from the view point of sustainability :

Once financial requirements are met, the process of planning, investment, management, exploitation of water resources can be realized.

Difficult in implementation of the proposals:

Vietnam is a poor and developing country. The allocation of capital in water resources sector can not be improved. We have to pay interest for ODA. The mechanism for investment distribution and financial arrangement is only at the early phase, so the financing is such a difficult problem.

Proposal 4: Technical

PROPOSAL :

- *Proposal 1:* There should be guidelines on integrated water resources management, water rights and allocation for common application. (2007-2008).
- *Proposal 2:* Preparation of documents, general criteria and sectoral criteria for application. (2007-2008).
- *Proposal 3:* Training to improve capacity of personnel in terms of technology and experience in water resources management is necessary. (2007-2010).
- *Proposal 4:* Improved investment in advanced technology, equipment, technical science in order to facilitate the calculation, design and implementation of water resources management and allocation process. (2007-2011)./.

Proposal 4: Technical PROPOSAL :

Evaluation from the view point of effectiveness:

The immediate efficiency is to assign state agencies and RBOs who are capable of technical and science with consultant and state administration tasks and functions.

Evaluation from the view point of feasibility:

Investment in this issue is not large. At the some time, the availability of data and advanced technology and equipment, support of NARBO and other international organizations will help realize this financing

Evaluation from the view point of sustainability :

Investment in capacity building and technology, science, technology equipment can be seen as sustainable.

Difficult in implementation of the proposals:

Different sector and organization should present clearly defined strategy and specific plan for implementation steps proposals./.

Thank you for your attention!