

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON



The implementation of NARBO Action Plan 2006-2007 has been implemented in order to achieve the goals and objectives.

In the year of 2006, it has been implemented some important activities such as NARBO 2nd General Meeting and Workshop held in Jatiluhur Purwakarta (February 2006), River Basin Organizations (RBOs) Performance Benchmarking, Training for Capacity Building and Thematic Workshop.

The performance benchmarking initiative is to provide a flexible framework of performance indicators and a supporting system with objective of achieving high performance organizations responsible for management of river basin. Establishment of Performance Benchmarking system for RBOs is supported by Peer Review. There are 2 (two) pilot RBOs, Jasa Tirta II Indonesia and Mahaweli Authority of Srilanka.

According to the outcome of the research in 2004, NARBO secretariat recognized that the NARBO members had keen interest in the issues on water allocation and water rights. Thus, the issues were taken up as the theme of Thematic Workshop. The 3rd Thematic Workshop on Water Allocation and Water Rights held in Bangkok, Thailand (November – December 2006).

During the preparation of next Action Plan 2007-2008, I consider that we still facing many constraints in managing water resources in a sustainable manner, so we still need to keep our commitment to enhance our cooperation by increasing NARBO Members' participation in this network.

Hopefully, NARBO Annual Report of 2006 and the information inside could become input in evaluating our efforts in continuing the next program.

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