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... Thank you for an amazing 2011...

Let's get it on this 2012!!!



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In the Chinese Zodiac, 2012 is the Year of the Water Dragon- marking a year of transition, uncertainty and change. Chinese New Year starts on the eve of January 22, 2012.



## APMEN Community Engagement for Malaria Elimination

By Ms. Joy Lico



**“Building Competence in Community Engagement for Malaria Elimination”** - the theme of the recently concluded 3-day workshop on Community Engagement for Malaria Elimination held at Centara Duangtawan Hotel, Chiang Mai, Thailand on November 22 to 24 this year. This is another significant event led by APMEN (*Asia Pacific Malaria Elimination Network*) in the concerted efforts towards malaria elimination. (Please find the story in page 2.)



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People:	470,846
US\$:	9,384,338
# Nets:	2,171,789
as at 16 Jan 2012	

1 - 3 million die per year

70% are children under 5

#1 killer of pregnant women

Malaria is preventable...

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## APMEN Community Engagement

The workshop was a joint collaboration with the Ministry of Public Health, Thailand, and the World Health Organization South-East Asia Region and Western Pacific Region. It was participated in by APMEN's twelve (12) member countries namely: Bhutan, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, the Solomon Islands, Thailand, Sri Lanka, and Vanuatu. It was also equally supported by its partner organizations composed of leaders and experts from various key multilateral and academic agencies pursuing its goal for global malaria elimination. A total of 41 delegates and resource persons: 24 member country representatives, 7 partner institutions, 2 guest speakers, 4 members of the Secretariat and 4 observers gathered to make a difference.

Through this activity, the Network hopes to collaboratively address the unique challenges of malaria elimination in the region through leadership, advocacy, capacity building, knowledge exchange, and building the evidence base while the main purpose of the workshop was to draw from current Country Partner's experiences and lessons learned to explore options for scalable models of community engagement for malaria elimination, both at the national and regional levels.

Workshop objectives discussed in order to come up with a consolidated output from undertaken activities were as follows:

- Showcased current /active examples of community engagement and participation for malaria control / elimination within the APMEN Country Partners.

- Reviewed historical examples of community engagement and participation in infectious disease elimination programs.

- Drawn lessons from these examples and begin building consensus on good practices for the design of scalable models of community engagement for malaria elimination.

- Explored additional challenges of achieving synchronous cross-border community engagement for malaria elimination.

**The Site Visit:** The participants visited the Health Promotional Hospital in Tambol Namdip, a health provider institution that models development for Dengue Prevention and Control located in a "Dengue free" zone community. Its creation was patterned on a Community Participatory Action Research (CO-PAR) Approach.

Aside from the health personnel from the Ministry of Health-Thailand, the prime movers of the community were composed of ordinary citizens, mothers and fathers who volunteered to be of service to improve community's way of living especially in making their place a dengue free community. They were trained and became empowered on the different issues in the community until they became what they are called today as "community researchers".



*Community dialogue with them during the field visit showed that volunteers were happy of what they were doing for their families and for their community. They feel a sense of fulfillment as they pool and pour their strengths to solve dengue problem of the community. Concerted efforts became their own achievements and they felt proud of the outcome. Sustainability of the project's partnership was strengthened through regular dialogue with all the sectors of the community.*

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**APMEN: GIS Training Program**

Training was held at National Institute of Parasitic Diseases, Shanghai, China on November 7-11, 2011. It was funded by Asia Pacific Malaria Elimination Network (APMEN)

The course provided participants with basic skills in Geographical Information System (GIS) and focus on advance mapping, GIS database, Decision Support System technologies, and progress in spatial and tempero-spatial modeling. The training was facilitated by: Mr. Gerard Kelly, PacMISC Malaria Surveillance Manager, Ricardo Soares Magalhaes, Phd from University of Queensland. There were 32 participants from 11 countries: Bhutan (2), Indonesia (2), Lao PDR (1), Malaysia (2), China (7), Philippines (4), Solomon Island (2), Sri Lanka (4), Thailand (5), Vanuatu (2), WHO/SEARO (1).

**CAP-Malaria**

USG holds a workshop on project planning of GMS Malaria in Bangkok, Thailand last December 13-14, 2011. This is to review the GMS Malaria Project goals and objectives and develop implementation strategies for Burma, Cambodia and Thailand in consultation with USAID and other key stakeholders. The workshop relates to the Control and Prevention of Malaria Project (CAP-Malaria) of Cambodia, Thailand and Myanmar funded by the USAID RDMA. This project aims to contain the spread of multi-drug resistant Plasmodium falciparum (P. Falciparum) malaria in the Greater Mekong Sub-region.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****ICTMM 2012**

We would like to inform you that the online registration for the VIII International Congress for Tropical Medicine and Malaria and the XLVIII Congress of the Brazilian Society for Tropical Medicine are now available at :

<http://ictmm2012.ioc.fiocruz.br/registration.php>

Instructions for poster abstract submission can be found at:

[http://ictmm2012.ioc.fiocruz.br/call\\_abstracts.html](http://ictmm2012.ioc.fiocruz.br/call_abstracts.html)

This event will be in September 23-27, 2012 in Rio, Brazil. Rio de Janeiro is one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Its splendid tone, magnificent bay, and warm and colored atmosphere are trademarks of one of the most prestigious destinations in the

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## Bangladesh Quality Assurance Workshop

The malaria microscopists from Bangladesh participated in the two-week review/workshop on Quality Assurance System for Malaria Microscopy last December 2011 at the Conference room of the National Malaria Control Program Office, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka, Bangladesh. The workshop was conducted by two (2) consultants with the participation of 17 Medical Technologists (Laboratory) from Central Malaria Reference Laboratory (CMRL), Civil Surgeon's Office (CSO) and Upazila (sub-districts) Health Complexes and six (6) Laboratory Technical from the Non-Government Organization (NGO)-QA Laboratory. The workshop methodology consisted of group and individual interviews using the key elements of the QA system for malaria microscopy as a guide (WHO QA Manual, 2008), lecture-presentation and discussion and evaluation of the conduct of local proficiency assessment by qualified microscopists as assessors. The assessment was in a form of examination in sets of slides for parasite identification and quantitation.

## Asia-Pacific Network for Vector Resistance Network (APNVR) Online Database

ACTMalaria is currently working the Asia-Pacific Network for Vector Resistance Network (APNVR) online database proposed last Executive Board Meeting 2011. The member countries supported the proposal to establish this online centralized resource for collating data on insecticide resistance in disease vector. This ensure that both published and unpublished data of resistance in malaria/dengue vectors is more readily available to all country program managers and entomologists.

This project aims to assist WHO in standardizing a common insecticide resistance reporting template for malaria and dengue vectors; in establishing an online centralized resource for collating data on insecticide resistance in disease vectors, and integrating it with the APNVR database; in updating and checking data quality of reports submitted by APNVR countries in consultation with WHO staff or other expert volunteers; in communicating with APNVR countries and developing electronic maps of insecticide resistance situation in

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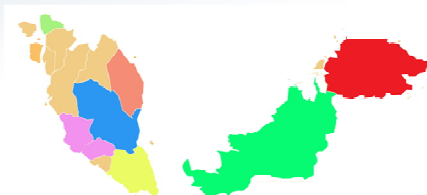
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Manage Records  
Manage Users  
Manage Investigators  
Manage Satellites

#### Manage Records

Labelize Insecticide Species Test Year

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Add New Record Generate Report Approve Selected Refresh Delete Selected

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Record ID	Insecticide Used	Species Test	Mortality	Status	Date Recorded
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<input type="checkbox"/> 40-111219-0118	Malathion	Ae. aegypti	97.78%	For Review	19 Dec 2011 by: actm123
<input type="checkbox"/> 40-111219-0117	Temephos	Ae. albopictus	93.75%	For Review	19 Dec 2011 by: actm123
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- Provide collaborative training for member countries to meet the needs of malaria control in Southeast Asia and the Mekong Sub-region;
- Improve information and communication exchange among member countries, partners and

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