

Dr. Ngoc Anh had the first speech and reemphasized some main issues collected during the field trip, these being:

- To implement our project, the local focal point in Nghe An and Quang Binh province will be Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DONRE), and that in Ha Tinh province will be Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD).
- This project will focus on water disasters with 3 typical events: flood, salinity intrusion and storm.
- The project has physical and social approaches. In term of physical approach, it might be considered that we are confident on the data but the social approach is complicated, especially the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) that's why independent observers are needed to realize which one is actually IK and which one is the best measurement for local people to cope with such kinds of water disaster impacts.
- Need to find out the relationship between Disaster and Climate Change.

Then, we had a "frank and open" discussion on important issues and we come to these final outcomes:

- Vietnamese and Danish staffing of WPs: Each WP will have contact persons (focal point) from either sides
 1. WP1: Prof. Tan and Prof. Hansen
 2. WP2: Dr. Ngoc and Prof. Ole
 3. WP3: Prof. Tan
 4. WP4: A.Prof. Ngoc Anh
 5. WP5: A.Prof. Anh Tuan and Prof Thorkil
 6. WP6: Kien and Henning
 7. WP7: Prof. Tan and Prof. Ole
 8. WP8: Dr. Duc
 9. WP9: Prof. Tan and Prof. Ole
- Selection of locations included in the survey
Differs from several research projects which outputs are reports only, this project aims to develop PIS where local community/people can easily assess to find very detailed information. We try to find out one pilot commune very detailed to household level in term of physical dimension and then we can categorize good, medium and low capacity HHs to cope with water disaster impacts in order to assess the impacts.
For Vietnamese side: agree to choose the most vulnerable commune in each province for detailed survey.
For Danish side: choose more than 1 commune in order to get the baseline and comparison. Thorkil asked about which data can we collect at HH level, and he suggested we only take a sample of HHs, not all, and move to other commune to compare different areas.
We have not finally decided which option we should do yet, but we think of the solution that we should try to find as much information as possible for the first

commune and then if we have more time and budget we could start the second commune.

In Nghe An province: The main impact is flooding. Target communes will be Hung Nhan and Hung Phuc in Hung Nguyen district. Hung Nhan commune located outside the dike therefore we will collect very detailed information of this commune, Hung Phuc commune is inside the dike so we can collect only baseline data.

Dr. Ngoc recommended to conduct survey before and after disaster to see how the damage and impact will be. A.Prof. Ngoc Anh suggested we should choose the alternative in case of there is no storm during one year, that is salinity intrusion for example.

In Ha Tinh province: The main impact is salinity intrusion. Not yet defined the specific communes, probably one commune in Duc Tho district and one commune in Loc Ha district. A.Prof. Ngoc Anh showed on the map the places the team had gone to during the field trip and he explained about the salinity intrusion issue in Loc Ha district, this phenomenon has no impacts on agriculture and aquaculture but domestic consumption only. He also mentioned that for Loc Ha district, it is very difficult to simulate in detail due to lack of data, no hydrological data for verification and no cross section to simulate water flow, salinity intrusion, so it will be costly for survey conduct. Other issue we should think about is the willingness of local authority at commune level in term of receiving PIS.

The best way is we need to make detailed plan, consider the budget and then we can have the final decision.

In Quang Binh province: Target communes are Vo Ninh and Hai Ninh. Focus on aquaculture sector especially brackish shrimp ponds. With many high nature sand dunes along the province, besides flood, storm, the very typical events here which differs from 2 previous provinces is sand cover and flying sand.

- Questionnaire. How to prepare it and who is doing what.

The sample questionnaire of the project in Quang Nam province had been copied for Dr.Ngoc's reference and will be discussed later via email or contact in person.