EAP: Irrigation Management Modernization



A collaboration





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Irrigation Management Modernization: A Regional Technical Assistance Study

• Objective:

To identify long term investment priorities for modernizing irrigation & drainage service delivery in the East Asia & Pacific region (EAP)

• Method:

A comparative assessment of current irrigation & drainage service provision and a view to the future ('future-watch')

• Rationale:

Modernization needs shared experience, best practices and lessons learnt but also needs appreciation of economic transitions

• Drivers

- Economic transformation & off-farm opportunities,
- urbanization & transitions in irrigated smallholder agriculture,
- increased pressure on land and water resources &
- amplified climatic risk.

How

- National studies & lessons learned Synthesis Report
- Analytical framework to allow comparison (ABCDE+F)
- A regional **Synthesis Report**
- Participating Countries:
 - China, Indonesia, Vietnam (WB funded National Studies)
 - Australia, Japan, (evolution of modernization in OECD countries)
 - Thailand, Malaysia (FAO funded)
- Timetable
- Country assessments ongoing presentation of drafts 12 March
- Synthesis and Consultations; March-May 2013
- Output: Draft Synthesis Report and guidelines June 2013

Structure of Workshop

AM

- Introduction
- Presentations of national assessments followed by discussion
- An OECD example Southern California
- Small working group sessions (national teams)

PM

- The future for irrigated commodities in the EAP region
- Reporting back from working groups
- Recommendations and Conclusions

ABCDE in a nutshell

- Understanding how much water is available
 ACCOUNTING
- Allocating the water among competing uses
 BARGAINING
- Setting Rules
 - CODIFICATION
- Assigning responsibility
 - DELEGATION
- Developing the facilities
 - ENGINEERING

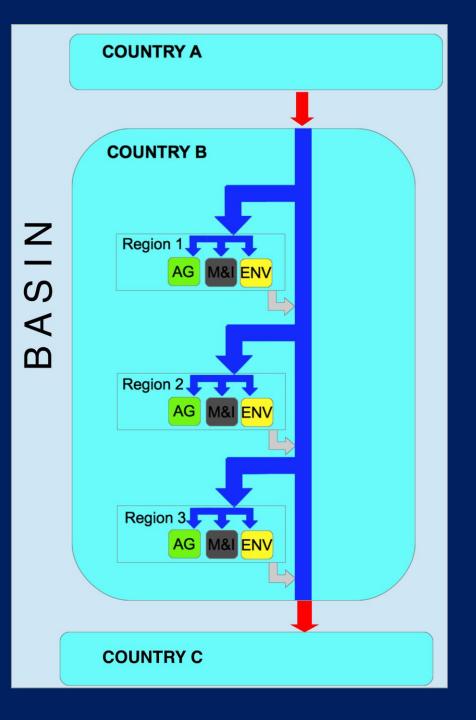
ACCOUNTING (HYDROLOGY)

BARGAINING (POLITICS)

CODIFICATION (LAW)

DELEGATION (INSTITUTIONS)

Engineering



The ABCDE+F framework – a generic example

LEVEL	A: Accounting	B: Bargaining	C: Codification	D: Delegation	E: Engineering	F: Feedback
National	National water audit	National water council	National water Iaw	Regulation policy	Interbasin transfer	Agricultural growth
Basin	Basin audit	Basin planning Board	Basin plan	River basin organization	Hydromet network	
Service Interface Basin – Main Irrigation System	Water account	System representation on Board	Water use rights + bulk allocation and service standards	Bulk delivery payments	Flow management system	
Main Irrigation System		Irrigation Committee	System operation plan	Irrigation system authority	conveyance + drainage system	Annual review and plan setting
Service Interface Main Irrigation – Sub- Irrigation System	System scheduling account	Water use association federation (WUAF)	Scheduling agreement	Service contract and revenue flows		
Sub Irrigation System		Secondary	Cropping schedule	WUAF	Flow control and storage	
Service interface WUAF – WUA		Water user Association (WUA)		Service agreement + payment mechanism	Cross regulation operation	
WUA		Tertiary		WUA	Drainage	performance review
Service interface WUA – Farmer	Water account		Service agreement		Turn out operation	Information flows
Farmer			Water order	Delivery and payment	On-farm technology	Farmer income

Questions to Working Groups

- What are the key irrigation management challenges?
- Are challenges common to all countries ?
- How will modernization address these challenges?
- Are the long term objectives of modernization clear?
- If so, what can be done in the short to medium term?
- How does this translate into a regional agenda?
- Finally, has the ABCDE+F method proved helpful?

Flexible hardware = flexible institutions?



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