

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between
Sustainable Fisheries Partnership and Kien Giang Fisheries Association

Principal Parties:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made and entered into by the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (hereafter SFP) and Kien Giang Fisheries Association (hereafter KGFA).

Purpose:

SFP and KGFA are entering into this MOU for the purposes of defining roles and activities relative to an advisory relationship between the parties with respect to the development of improvements to Vietnam multi-species, multi-gear, feed fish fisheries.

KGFA is seeking a third party to provide additional support and advice on coordinating and convening key stakeholders along supply-chain of feed fish / shrimp aquaculture feed and surimi market.

SFP operates the Asian Feed Fisheries Supplier Roundtable with international buyers and supply chain partners and the SR participants seek to engage with and support fisheries improvement in Vietnam and the region.

This initiative will lead to achieve regional sustainable development by establishing industry-led national and sub-national fishery improvement projects and initiatives to guide the Vietnamese industry in adopting sustainable fisheries management. SFP seeks to work with KGFA to help improve Vietnam wild capture fisheries and aquaculture as part of SFP's mission.

Mutual Agreement of the Parties:

With respect to this MOU, Sustainable Fisheries Partnership agrees to:

1. Act as a technical and strategic advisor to KGFA on matters relating to sustainable fisheries management best practices (to the extent that SFP resources permit)
2. Collaborate with KGFA and other relevant stakeholders to source and publish information, via SFP's database FishSource, regarding sustainability status of KGFA feed fish.
3. Collaborate with KGFA on any public statements or announcements related to this MOU or subsequent agreements.
4. Assist KGFA with preparation of materials to formalize and progress the improvements.
5. Assist KGFA in planning and execution of meetings, calls, etc. (eg, meeting logistics, drafting agenda)
6. Assign Mr. Nguyen Ba Thong, fisheries management expert, as a coordinator of FIP in Vietnam.

With respect to this MOU, KGFA agrees to:

1. Provide SFP with timely information relative to plans and programs where they seek guidance and advice from SFP.
2. Develop and implement Fishery Improvement Project(s) in Kien Giang

3. As appropriate, provide SFP with introductions to companies and operations related directly or indirectly to SFP Asia Feed Fisheries SR interests.
4. Attend and contribute to meetings of SFP Asian Feed Fisheries Supplier Roundtable; convened to discuss sustainability issues, improvement needs and actions.
5. Arrange legal documents submitting to local authorities for approvals of foreign delegates to visit and work in Kien Giang under the Trawl fisheries improvement project (FIP).
6. Liaise with relevant enterprises and other stakeholders in the province in development and implementation of FIP.
7. Participate, implement some activities assigned under Workplan for improvement of Kien Giang trawl fisheries project including, no limited to, data collection, promoting use of Logbook for capture fishery awareness raising for local communities, provide trainings etc.
8. Assist to collect relevant information of the capture fishery in Kien Giang, seek potential fisheries for FIP in the future, and proactively communicate with SFP to exchange, discuss and propose supports, collaboration from SFP.

Miscellaneous:

1. This MOU will become effective upon signature by all its Parties, and unless terminated sooner will continue through for 12 months from date of signing, at which time it will expire, unless renewed.
2. Either party may propose changes to this MOU at any time during its term. Modifications to this MOU and shall be made by mutual consent by issuance of written amendment and agreed upon by both parties, prior to any modifications.
3. This MOU is undertaken to clarify the roles of the participants and to obtain cooperation among the Parties in carrying out the activities detailed above.
4. The Parties will review this MOU at least annually to determine its adequacy, effectiveness, and continuing need.
5. Signing of this agreement does not require a financial commitment. Should the KGFA propose specific action items that require funding, these will be subject to a separate agreement.

This MOU summarizes the terms of mutual agreement by both parties. As well, this MOU is for discussion purposes only and represents the current thinking of both parties with respect to the major issues described. This agreement is not intended to and does not constitute as a legally binding agreement.

Agreed by:

For The Sustainable Fisheries Partnership

By: Jim Cannon Date
Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: _____

(Signature)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date Signed: _____

On behalf of KGFA



Name: Nguyễn Thanh V.

Title: President

Date Signed: _____

On behalf of SFP