



**Learning and Planning Meeting
28-30 April 2014, Bangkok, Thailand**

TECHNICAL NOTE

Background:

The ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (ILO-ROAP) has been at the forefront of actively implementing the ILO's Green Jobs initiatives. Since 2009, the Green Jobs Programme for Asia and the Pacific (Green Jobs-AP) encouraged and supported governments, employers and workers to collaborate on generating coherent policies and effective programmes that will lead to decent work for all in a greener economy. In collaboration with the ILO constituents in Bangladesh, China (including Mongolia), Fiji, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand, several pilot programmes have been established, with gains sustained, while new programmes are being designed and started-up.

All these initiatives are being undertaken in view of the main objectives of Green Jobs-AP which are to:

- enhance the capacity of ILO constituents to take part in dialogue on green jobs at local, regional and national levels by giving them access to quality data and information;
- influence national policies and so contribute to an inclusive growth model that is job-centred, environmentally sustainable, and that promote decent work; and
- promote gender sensitive opportunities for green jobs by supporting demonstration activities and national programmes.

Objective:

The overall goal of the team meeting is to facilitate knowledge sharing and joint programme planning and implementation for Green Jobs-AP. This is deemed crucial as the programme enters the new biennium 2014-2015, just a year from the close of the **Asian Decent Work Decade-2006-2015**.

The meeting intends to facilitate joint discussion on progress made and gains achieved in the programme. In particular, in terms of

- building of the knowledge-base and evidence for green jobs, as such re knowledge products, policy advice and tools developed;
- forming partnerships and collaborations; and
- developing strategies, good practice and lessons learnt.

The discussions in the meeting is expected to support action which takes full advantage of the opportunities and addresses the challenges to promoting green jobs and ensuring a just transition to greening economy in the AP countries.

Target Participants:

The following are expected to participate in the meeting:

- Green Jobs Officers and/or Senior Programme Officers of the Country Offices designated as Green Jobs Focal Persons
- Technical Specialists from ROAP and DWTs in Bangkok and India

Programme Duration and Approach:

The meeting will be a three-day event. The first half of the event will be devoted to learning, as such sharing and discussion, answering the questions: **Where are we now? What do we have?** The second half will be devoted to planning, answering the questions: **Where do we go from here? How to do we further promote Green Jobs? In answering these questions, the participants will look into the regional and global perspectives.**

Event starts 9:00 in the morning of 28th April 2014, as flight schedules from concerned countries would require the participants to arrive the day before.

Each GJ/CO Officer is expected to bring into the discussion their selected product/tool/policy advice. Discussions in plenary and in groups will organized according to various themes, initial listing includes:

- Sustainable Tourism, Green Entrepreneurship; Green Enterprises, Climate Resilience and Adaptation; Waste Management and Recycling (including E-Waste)
- Green Jobs Research and Assessment; Skills for Green Jobs Development; Policy; Capability Building and Training

Results of discussion in previous sessions are expected to feed into the planning to be conducted - in terms of agreed key products and tools to be promoted and employed; focus of action. This remaining part of the event will be designed as a workshop aimed at developing specific action agenda for countries and the AP region in general. The workplan for the RAS 176- Regional outcome on Green Jobs will be further fleshed out during the workshop. Furthermore, coordination between national, regional and global initiatives will be planned.

The tentative agenda is here attached.

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