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9th Asian Soil Partnership MEETING

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Reporting mechanisms to the GSP Plenary Assembly





Why?

The PA will keep under continuous review, prioritize and discuss progress on GSP activities.

When?

The Plenary Assembly holds one regular session every year. The notice for a regular session of the Plenary Assembly shall be communicated to partners not less than 90 days before the opening day.



Documents to be submitted to any session of the Plenary Assembly shall be posted on the GSP website at the time the agenda is published, or as soon as possible thereafter, but **at least 30 days prior to the opening day.**

To allow for internal review, proof reading and editing, documents, including the ASP report, should be ready **60 days** prior to the opening day.

Additional information on the PA are available at <https://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/about/why-the-partnership/rules-of-procedure/en/> and <https://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/about/plenary-assembly/en/>

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A man in a grey suit is seated at a conference table, looking down at a document. He is wearing a name tag that reads "World Trade and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations" and "DDG Bechdel". The background shows other people seated at tables in a large conference room.

Current approach

GSP Secretariat

Request sent to the ASP coordinator (Ms Caon) with instructions on the desired structure of the document and deadlines

ASP

The ASP coordinator forwards the request to the ASP Chair, vice-Chair and key regional partners with a reporting role to the PA (e.g. CESRA).

Writing of the document:

- ASP coordinator inputs
- ASP Chair and vice-chair inputs
- Regional partners with a reporting role inputs

Need improvement

GSP Secretariat

Submission of the document to the GSP Secretariat

- review (harmonization)
- proof reading
- publication

Revised approach



Notes:

- The report should ideally be 1-2 pages long
- The report cannot report about individual efforts and achievements
- In 2024, the GSP Sec asked to report by areas of action (2023-2030 Action Framework). This is likely to continue

Proposal:

- Involve all countries and partners in the writing of the report. *Important*: Countries (focal points and partners) should internally agree on their contribution: transparent and inclusive process.
- Identify 2-3 reference persons (per sub-region) to coordinate the work. Reference persons should have the time and willingness to do the work (send emails, organize meetings as needed, write sections of the report, etc.). Sub-regional meetings can be organized to collect inputs.

Possible sub-regions:

- Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar (and China and Mongolia)
 - Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, Brunei, Singapore, Timor Leste (and Japan and Korea)
 - India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Maldives
 - eventual: China, Mongolia, Japan, Korea
- Inputs collected by the focal persons are sent to the ASP coordinator, the ASP Chair and the ASP vice-chair for final review before submission to the GSP Sec.



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Thank you

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