

# ***Sixth Asian Soil Partnership Meeting***

***4-5 February 2021***

*from 7 to 10AM CET*

***Virtual meeting – Zoom platform***

<b><i>4 February 2021</i></b>	
7:00 – 7:10	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b> Miss Benjaporn Chakranon, ASP Chair Mr. Yuji Niino, Land Management Officer, FAORAP
7:10 – 7:15	<b>Approval of the agenda and group picture</b> <i>Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GSP Secretariat</i>
7:15 – 7:40	<b>Item 1. GSP developments of regional interest</b> <i>Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GSP Secretariat</i>
<b>National updates on soil</b>	
7:40 – 9:15	<b>Item 2. National updates on soil (maximum 8 minutes per country)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Afghanistan, Mr. Hamidullah Ahmadzai</li> <li>• Bangladesh, Mr. Md. Taiabur Rahman</li> <li>• Bhutan, Ms. Karma Dema Dorji</li> <li>• Cambodia, Mr. Seng Vang</li> <li>• India, Mr. Suresh Kumar Chaudhari</li> <li>• Indonesia, Ms. Rudy Husnain</li> <li>• Japan, Mr. Hideo Kubotera</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Korea, Mr. Byounghwan Seo</li> <li>• Laos, Mr Nivong Sipaseuth</li> <li>• Mongolia, Ms. Enkhtuya Bazamadnaa</li> <li>• Myanmar, Ms. Su Su Win (<i>excused</i>)</li> <li>• Nepal, Mr. Chandra Prasad Risal</li> <li>• Pakistan, Mr. Waqar Ahmad</li> <li>• Philippines, Ms. Sonia M Salguero</li> <li>• Sri Lanka, Mr. Ajantha de Silva</li> <li>• Thailand, Mr. Pitayakon Limtong</li> <li>• Viet Nam, Mr. Tran Minh Tien</li> </ul>
<b>GSP Pillars</b>	
9:15 – 10:00	<p><b>Item 3: Current initiatives, new proposals and next steps of 5 pillars of action</b></p> <p><b>Pillar 2. Encourage investment, technical cooperation, policy, education, awareness and extension in soil</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing of the policy brief “The multi-faced role of soil in Asia”</li> <li>• Implementation of the Global Soil Doctors programme</li> </ul> <p><i>Dr. Munir Zia, Pillar 2 Chair</i></p> <p><b>Pillar 3. Promote targeted soil research and development focusing on identified gaps, priorities and synergies with related productive, environmental and social development actions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of regional database on R&amp;D institutions</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul> <p><i>Dr. Kazuyuki Yagi, Pillar 3 Chair</i></p> <p><b>Pillar 5. Harmonization of methods, measurements and indicator for the sustainable management and protection of soil resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asian Soil Laboratory Network (SEALNET)</li> </ul> <p><i>Dr. Gina Nilo, SEALNET Chair</i></p>

5 February 2021

**Center of Excellence on Soil Research in Asia (CESRA)**

07:00 – 9:30

**Item 4: Center of Excellence on Soil Research in Asia (CESRA)**

- **Structure, objectives and work plan** by *Dr. Charlie Nawanugraha (CESRA Director)*
- **Progresses made by Thailand since its establishment** by *Dr. Charlie Nawanugraha (CESRA Director)*
- **CESRA members and partners** by *DDG Pattaraporn*
- **CESRA work plan for the year 2021** by *Dr. Pitayakon Limtong (national focal point for Thailand)*
- **Financial resource mobilization** by *Dr. Prapa Taranet (ASP Secretariat)*

**Points of discussion:**

1. membership of countries to CESRA
2. individual country commitment to CESRA activities
3. project proposal writing
4. financial resource mobilization

*Moderator: Ms. Caon Lucrezia (GSP Secretariat FAO)*

9:30 – 10:00

**Item 5: ASP governance for the years 2021-2023**

*Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GSP Secretariat*

10:00

**Closure of the meeting**

*Miss Benjaporn Chakranon, ASP Chair*