3rd Board Meeting

Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board

12 May, 2021

PyeongChang, Korea

3rd AAWC Board Meeting

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3rd AAWC Board Meeting

Agenda 1

Opening Remarks

Agenda 1. Opening Remarks

Purpose:

1. To deliver the Opening Remarks to the AAWC Board Members

Agenda 2

Record of Attendance and Proxies

Agenda 2. Record of Attendance and Proxies

Purpose:

1. To confirm the quorum of the 3rd Board Meeting

Background:

2. Information on this item will be collected during the opening stage of the 3rd Board Meeting

Recommendation:

3. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** the Record of Attendance and Proxies for the 3rd Board Meeting

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Record of Attendance
2	Record of Proxies

Agenda 3

Replacement of Board Members

Agenda 3. Replacement of Board Members

Purpose:

1. To propose the replacement of Board Members
2. Replacement of Board Members

Country	Affiliation	Former Board Member	New Board Member
Philippines	House of Representatives	Winston Castelo	Anthony Peter Onyx D. Chrisologo
Laos	National Assembly	Vilaysouk Phimmasone	Hongkham Souvannavong

Background:

3. According to the Article 5 of the Constitution, Board Members should recommend a replacement if they lose their position as an incumbent lawmaker in their country. The replacement is regarded as a Board Member.

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that the Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** the replacement of Board Members for: Philippines, Laos

Agenda 4

Provisional Agenda

Agenda 4. Provisional Agenda

Purpose:

1. To approve the Provisional Agenda of the 3rd Board Meeting which is to be held on 12 May 2021, 16:00 pm (KST/UTC+9). Due to the ongoing COVID-19 epidemic, this meeting will take place online for international participants.

Recommendation:

2. It is recommended that the Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** the Provisional Agenda of the 3rd Board Meeting

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Provisional Agenda

12 May 2021

16:00 Opening (KST/UTC+09:00)

No	ITEM	PRESENTED BY	TYPE
1	Opening Remarks		
2	Record of Attendance and Proxies	Secretary General	Information
3	Replacement of Board Members	President	Information
4	Provisional Agenda	President	Decision
5	Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting	President	Decision
6	Amendment of the Constitution	Treasurer	Decision
7	Membership	President	Decision
8	Finances	Secretary General	Decision
9	Activity Report	President	Information
10	2nd Asia International Water Week	President	Information
11	Water Welfare Program	Treasurer	Information
12	9th World Water Forum	President	Information
13	4th Board Meeting	President	Decision
14	MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU	President	Information
15	Any Other Business		

18:00 Closing (KST/UTC+09:00)

Agenda 5

Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting

Agenda 5. Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting

Purpose:

1. To approve the Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting held in Seoul, the Republic of Korea on the 9th of September 2020

Background:

2. According to Article 10 of the Constitution, the Secretary General should submit the Minutes of the Board Meeting to its Board Members.

Recommendation:

3. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** the Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting

Attachment 1: Minutes of the 2nd Board Meeting

Minutes of the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting

- **Date:** 9 September 2020 (Wed) 13:30-16:30 (KST/UTC+9)
- **Participants:** **See Appendix 1.**
- **Contents:**

Agenda 1. Opening remarks

- Before starting the meeting Dr. Seok-hwan Jang, Secretary-General of the AAWC, introduced each Board member that participated in the meeting on-sire and online, and welcomed the Bureau members of the Asia Water Council (AWC). Again, he congratulated Mr. Jae-ill Byun, the new President of the AAWC, for taking the presidency.

- President Byun opened the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting, delivered his opening address. He expressed his gratitude to all participants for sharing time from their busy schedules to attend the meeting. In particular, he extended his appreciation to Dr. Jae-hyeon Park, the K-water CEO and AWC President for actively supporting to prepare this event. In conclusion, he introduced his firm belief that we will find the better solutions to Asian water problems through a close cooperation between governments, public and private sectors and legislature.

Agenda 2. Introduction of Parliamentary Delegation and Head of Missions to South Korea

- SG Jang reported the attendance of 12 Board Members including 6 delegates among 17 registered members, and noted that the quorum was reached with a majority of members presented. The full list of participants is presented in Annex 1.

Agenda 3. Replacement of Board Members

■ Referring to the Article 5 of the AAWC Constitution, SG Jang reported the replacement of Board Members

- President Byun thanked the former members for their commitment and dedication for the founding of the AAWC, and requested replaced members for continued support following the great footsteps of the predecessors.

LIST OF BOARD REPLACEMENTS

No.	Country	Affiliation	Former Board Member	New Board Member
1	South Korea	National Assembly	Seung-yong Joo	Jae-ill Byun
2	South Korea	National Assembly	Jae-hun Lim	Jong-bae Lee
3	South Korea	National Assembly	Do-ja Choi	Seoung-lae Jo

Agenda 4. Provisional Agenda

Decision 1

The Board **approved** the provisional agenda for the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting.

■ President Byun presented the provisional agenda of the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting comprised of 17 items

- AAWC Board Members approved the provisional agenda of the meeting.

9 September 2020
13:30 Opening (KST/UTC+9)

No	ITEM	PRESENTED BY	TYPE
	Inauguration Ceremony of the new President		
	Congratulatory Remarks		
1	**Opening Remarks**		
2.	**Record of Attendance and Proxies**	Secretary General	Decision
3.	**Replacement of Board Members**	Secretary General	Information

4.	**Provisional Agenda**	President	Decision
5	**Minutes of the 1st Board Meeting**	President	Decision
6	**Membership**	President	Decision
7.	**AAWC's General Assembly**	President	Decision
8.	**Finances**	Treasurer	Decision

16:30 Closing (KST/UTC+9)

Agenda 5. Minutes of the 1st Board Meeting

Decision 2

The Board **approved** the Minutes of the 1st AAWC Board Meeting.

- President Byun shared the Minutes of the 1st AAWC Board Meeting to the Board, which was held on the 3rd of September 2019.
  - AAWC Board Members approved the Minutes of the 1st Board Meeting.

Agenda 6. Membership

Decision 3

The Board **approved** 6 new Board Members of the AAWC.

- SG Jang informed that 6 parliamentarians from Laos, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan expressed their wishes to join AAWC as a new Board Members.
  - **Laos:** Vilaysouk Phimmasone, Thanta Kongphaly
  - **Kazakhstan:** Alimjan Kurtaev, Ali Bektaev
  - **Kyrgyzstan:** Dastanbok Dzhumabekov and Salaidin Aidarov
    - Although the new Board Members were unable to deliver remarks due to the technical difficulties, President BYUN conveyed his gratitude for their interest and support for solving water issues of Asia, and kindly asked them to actively engage in the upcoming AAWC activities to solve water-related issues in Asia.

Agenda 7. AAWC's General Assembly

Decision 4

The Board **approved** General Assembly to be added to the AAWC Constitution.

■ According to Article 9 and 10 of the AAWC Constitution, every AAWC Member is a Statutory Board Member, who can attend Board meetings. President BYUN explained that expecting that membership will increase over time, it would be difficult for every member to attend the Board meetings. Accordingly, it is suggested that a representative from each country serve as a Board Member, and that the General Assembly, where all AAWC members can participate, needs to be added to the Constitution.

- General Assembly was approved to be added to the Constitution at the 3rd Board Meeting by the members.

Agenda 8. Finances

Decision 5

The Board **approved** the Financial Report for 2020.

■ Mr. Seung-jae Ha, Executive Director of the AAWC, briefly reported on this year's budget of 500 million won secured from the Korean government, presenting the Financial Report for 2020.

- Hon. Jong-seong Lim, AAWC Treasurer, mentioned that it is expected that more budget will be required for expanding AAWC membership and strengthening its influence in Asia. He added that in order to secure sustainable finance, all AAWC Board Members need to work together on this matter by identifying more political activities and issues to attract the attention of more countries and organizations.

Financial Report for 2020

(1 million KRW = 1,000 USD)

Expenses	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)	Revenues	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)
Meeting Organization	**180**	**Subsidies**	**500**
Convention Services	140	Government	500

(2nd Board Meeting)		Subsidy (ME)	
Meeting Organization & Attendance	36		
Other Charges	4		
Travel & Accommodations	**20**		
Travel	15		
Accommodation	5		
Technical Consultants	**200**		
Consultants (Water Projects)	190		
Other	10		
Policy Research	**100**		
Research Service (Policy Research on Policy & Legislative Approaches for Resolving Asia Water Issues)	50		
Personnel Expense	50		
Total Expenses	**500**	**Total Revenue**	**500**

Agenda 9. AAWC-AWC Cooperation Strategy

- Dr. Jae-Hyeon Park, AWC President and K-water CEO, gave the presentation on the AAWC-AWC Cooperation Strategy. In summary, he explained the background of the AWC and the importance of Asia International Water Week (AIWW). Considering a roadmap for AAWC-AWC Cooperation, he mentioned that the AAWC and AWC will closely cooperate to enhance water welfare and humanitarian cooperation for common prosperity of all Asians through various projects such as Water Welfare Index, Water Aid Program, Cooperative Studies on Water Policy, etc.

- As part of the presentation, the video clips from some of the selected countries to conduct Water Projects 2020 were introduced.
  - Dr. Nidal Salim, Director General of Global Institute for Water, Environment and Health (GIWEH), expressed his appreciation to the AWC and AAWC for the approval of Water Project in Nepal. He mentioned that this project is greatly important both for the government and society to strengthen water governance including policy and strategy in the country and achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) especially SDG 6 on water.
  - Hon. Secretary of State Ponh Sachak, Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology of Cambodia, thanked the AWC for supporting IWRM project in 4Ps River Basin for Future Climate Change Resilience and Disaster Alleviation Mast Plan. Additionally, he sincerely hoped that, under the new leadership of President Byun, political and legislative cooperation in Asia will be successfully strengthened, contributing to addressing water-related issues and common prosperity with water in the region.
  - Mr. Houmphanh Vongphachanh, Deputy Director General of the Ministry of Energy and Mines of Laos, extended his gratitude to the AAWC and all related stakeholders for the approval of Water Project for the opportunity. He expected that the project will be smoothly implemented in the near future and commonly benefit both Laos and Korea.
- Dr. Philippe Gourbesville, Vice President of AWC, added that the AAWC and AWC will be able to develop the best solutions to the water-related issues in Asia through their collective efforts, particularly by sharing legislative practices and water management policy of the AAWC and providing technical and practical consultation from the AWC.

Agenda 10. Responses to COVID-19

- In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infections, the AAWC Board Members shared the prevention and control measures taken in their countries. Dr. Jeong-kee Hong, Vice Minister of Environment of the Republic of Korea, presented South Korea's efforts and achievements in responding to the global pandemic. He stated that Korea is putting its utmost efforts to water management in light of COVID-19, implementing necessary measures such as

disease prevention of workers in the water sector and contingency operation of water facilities. In addition, Dr. Hong mentioned that recently Korea shared its best practices with countries around the world at the G20 Dialogue on Water.

- Hon. Surendra Prasad Pandey, member of the House of Representatives of Nepal and AAWC Vice President, reported Nepal's response to the COVID- -19 outbreak and its current situation. Nepal has made various efforts to identify, isolate, and treat persons infected with COVID- -19 and to prevent its spread to communities. Despite all the efforts that the Federal government made, COVID- -19 has been widely spreading throughout the country. Over 46,000 people have been confirmed to be infected and the death toll has reached over 300. Currently, the government of Nepal has focused mainly on the procurement of relief funds and their efficient disbursement to support people in need and the business and health sectors, working closely with the local governments in all provinces.

- Hon. Nawab Yousaf Talpur, member of the National Assembly of Pakistan, mentioned that all provinces in Pakistan have been severely affected by the COVID-19 crisis. Almost 300,000 confirmed cases and 6,244 deaths were recorded. He stated that although the number of the cases has dropped since lockdown, its economy has been badly influenced. He expressed deep concerns particularly over developing countries even though all countries are struggling to contain the global pandemic.

- Ms. Immah Santos, head of legislative office of Hon. Mari Grace Precious Hipolito Castelo of the House of Representatives of Philippines, explained the status of the Philippines and legislative response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Enhanced security requirements such as lockdown of varying strictness have been implemented by the government. About 241,900 cases have been confirmed positive with 184,000 recoveries and unfortunately over 3,800 deaths were recorded. In response to the pandemic, "Bayanihan to Heal As One Act" including the National Health Insurance Program, benefits to health workers and emergency subsidy for poor households were passed to protect citizen from the financial effects of the outbreak. Currently, Bayanihan to Recover As One Act" was approved by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines, and is set to be signed by the President. This law covers the country's response and recovery plan including relief funds to help the sectors suffered from the negative impact of the pandemic.

Agenda 11. Annual Activity Report

- AAWC Board Members shared their participation in the various water-related legislative activities. SG Jang briefly presented a number of activities that AAWC carried out to expand its membership and secure a budget since its establishment in 2019. The First Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of El Salvador and a member of the National Assembly of Laos visited Dr. Seung--yong Joo, the former AAWC President to discuss a range of political and security issues and strengthen a close cooperation to resolve water- -related issues in Asia.

- Hon. Rambabu Kumar Yadav, member of the House of Representatives of Nepal reported that Nepal's various water projects in response to the growing threat of water crisis. He mentioned Melamchi Water Supply Project (MWSP) which aim to ease the chronic water shortage situation in the Kathmandu Valley. The project is designed to divert fresh water to Kathmandu Valley from Melamchi River through infrastructure development, social and environmental support, institutional reforms and project implementation support.

- Ms. Immah Santos, head of legislative office of Hon. Mari Grace Precious Hipolito Castelo of the House of Representatives of Philippines, discussed two notable water- - related legislative activities in the Philippines. A consolidated bill was approved by the committee level to create a single government agency, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) which will be responsible for the comprehensive and integrated planning, policy formulation and management of water resources in the Philippines. The other one is that the House of Representatives Committee on Metro Manila Development approved a bill to install rainwater harvesting facilities to prevent flooding in Metro Manila and the occurrence of other water- -related crises. Both still need to be approved by the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Agenda 12. AAWC Water Aid Programme

Decision 6

The Board **approved** the adoption of the AAWC Water Aid Programme.

- SG Jang explained that the AAWC has a plan to create its own support programme to provide practical solutions for Asian water problems through

support and cooperation of Asian lawmakers. He stated that the proposed programme includes global social responsibility programme, knowledge sharing, appropriate technologies application and policy decision-making support, etc. Reflecting all Board Members' opinions on this programme, AAWC Secretariat will make a detailed implementation plan and take a step for written approval, and then will make a call for proposals to the members.

- President Byun noted that he will continue to support to secure a required budget for the project implementation, contributing to development of the new AAWC programme to solve Asian water problems.

Agenda 13. Membership Expansion Strategy

Decision 7

The Board **approved** to select focal points for membership expansion in each region (Southeast, Central, South and Northeast).

■ SG Jang reported the current status of AAWC membership. 17 lawmakers from 6 Asian countries are participating as Board Members of AAWC, mostly from South and Southeast Asian regions. Recently, 6 lawmakers from three countries of Central Asia joined AAWC as new Board Members such as Laos, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. In order to further expand its membership, he suggested that one Board Member from each region in Asia serves as a focal point for membership expansion for the region in cooperation with the AAWC Secretariat.

- President Byun added that this geographical approach would be helpful for more effective membership expansion

Agenda 14. Membership Fee

Decision 8

The Board **approved** a grace period of 3 years since its establishment in 2019.

■ SG Jang suggested that since the budget of AAWC heavily relies on the subsidies provided by the Korean government, there is a need to ensure the sustainability of the AAWC. Two alternative plans for membership fee payment were proposed as follows:

1) Set a target of about 100 million won for 2021, which is about half of the operating cost required in 2020. Korea undertakes 50% of the target as the chair country, and the other Members will cover the rest

2) Have a grace period of 3 years since its establishment in 2019 considering its early stage of development and discuss this matter again in the 3rd Board Meeting in 2021. Secretariat.

- President Byun proposed to have a grace period since most countries might not have enough funds to cover the proposed membership fee especially in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - The second option was approved by Board Members as President Byun suggested.

Agenda 15. 9th World Water Forum

■ SG Jang Jang briefly shared information on the 9th World Water Forum which will be held in Senegal next year. He mentioned that Dr. Loïc Fauchon, President of World Water Council (WWC), kindly requested AAWC Board Members to participate in the Forum, especially the political process of the Forum. Accordingly, the Secretariat will inform the members once the exact schedule and details are confirmed from the WWC.

- President Byun mentioned that this would be a great opportunity for the AAWC to enhance international cooperation for solving water issues in Asia and play a leading role in global water sector. He asked the Secretariat to closely communicate and support the WWC and share concrete plans with all AAWC Board Members.

Agenda 16. 3rd Board Meeting

Decision 9
The Board **approved** the date and venue of the 3rd Board Meeting.

■ SG Jang proposed to hold the 3rd Board Meeting on the occasion of the 2nd AIWW next year in Labuan Bajo, Indonesia. He mentioned that the 2nd AIWW has already been postponed from 2020 to 2021 due to COVID- -19. The AAWC

Secretariat will announce the exact date of the meeting to Board Members when it is confirmed.

Agenda 17. Any Other Business

- Hon. Boriy B. Alikhanov, Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Chamber of Uzbekistan, stated that it was a great honour for him to be invited to the event today and Uzbekistan has been working on large- -scale projects to solve global problems of the Aral Sea. He mentioned that the Ecological party of Uzbekistan, a new political party with 15 seats of the 150 seats in the Legislative Chamber, focuses mainly on environmental protection, sustainable use of water resources and the quality of drinking water for its population. Hon. Deputy Speaker said that Uzbekistan is more than ready for close cooperation with the AAWC and looking forward to actively participating in upcoming activities for the best solutions to most pressing water challenges not only in Asia but in many countries around the world.

Closing

- President. Byun concluded the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting.

Appendix 1. List of Participants

A. AAWC Bureau

1. Mr. Jae-ill Byun (President)
2. Dr. Muhammad Afzal Khan (Vice President)
3. Mr. Surendra Prasad Pandey (Vice President)
4. Mr. Jong-seong Lim (Treasurer)

B. AAWC Board Members

5. Mr. Rambaabu Kumar Yadavv (Nepal)
6. Mr. Nawab Yousaf Talpur (Pakistan)
7. Ms. Precious Hipolito Castelo (Philippines)
8. Mr. Vilaysouk Phimmasone (Laos)

C. Alternates

9. Mr. Boriy Alikhanov
10. Mr. Jin-soo Hwang
11. Dr. Jeong-kee Hong
12. Mr. Hwan Chin Choung

D. Head of Missions to South Korea

13. Ambassador of Cambodia
14. Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan
15. Deputy Ambassador of Uzbekistan
16. Ambassador of Indonesia

E. AWC Bureau

17. Dr. Jae-hyeon Park (President)
18. Dr. Philippe Gourbesville (Vice President)
19. Mr. LiGe (Vice President)
20. Mr. Reynaldo Velasco (Vice President)
21. Dr. Shie-yui Liong (Vice President)
22. Dr. Firdaus Ali (Vice President)

F. Secretariat

23. Dr, Seok-hwan Jang
24. Mr. Seung-jae Ha

Agenda 6

Amendment of the Constitution

Agenda 6. Membership

Purpose:

1. To approve the amendment of the AAWC Constitution

Background:

2. According to Article 20 of the Constitution, the Secretariat is composed of Secretary General and Executive Director, who shall oversee all activities of the Secretariat under the leadership of the President
3. However, this overlap and duplication between the two roles lead to inefficient and unnecessary processes in the organization.
4. Accordingly, it is proposed to merge the roles of the Secretary General and Executive Director into one position of Secretary General at the Secretariat.

Recommendation:

5. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** that the amendment of the AAWC Constitution

Attachment:

No.	Title
1	Table of the Amendment of the Articles of Constitution
2	Revised Constitution

Attachment 1: Table of the Amendment of the Articles of Constitution

BEFORE	AFTER
Article 12 (Matters for Decision by the Board) 9. Appointment of the Secretary General and Executive Director;	**Article 12 (Matters for Decision by the Board)** 9. Appointment of the Secretary General;
Article 16 (Duties of the Bureau) ③ The Treasurer, assisted by the Secretary General and Executive Director, is responsible for the accounts of AAWC.	**Article 16 (Duties of the Bureau)** ③ The Treasurer, assisted by the Secretariat, is responsible for the accounts of AAWC.
Article 20 (Structure of the Secretariat) ③ The Secretariat shall be composed of one Secretary General, who shall oversee all cooperation activities, one Executive Director, who oversee all operations of the Secretariat and staff members. ④ The Secretary General and Executive Director are appointed by the Board to serve a term of three years, and can serve consecutive terms. ⑤ The Secretary General and Executive Director are positions without remuneration. However, necessary AAWC related expenses can be paid.	**Article 20 (Structure of the Secretariat)** ③ The Secretariat shall be composed of one Secretary General, who shall oversee all cooperation activities and all operations of the Secretariat and hire additional staff when needed. ④ The Secretary General are appointed by the Board to serve a term of three years, and can serve consecutive terms. ⑤ The Secretary General are positions without remuneration. However, necessary AAWC related expenses can be paid.
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Article 21 (Duties of the Secretary General) ② The Secretary General is responsible for effective cooperation activities and operation of programs regarding cooperation. ④ The Secretary General has the right to speak during the Board but does not have a voting right. ⑤ The Secretary General should submit an AAWC cooperative activity report to the Board. ⑥ In case of a vacancy of the Secretary General, the President appoints a temporary Secretary General by obtaining approval from the Board.	**Article 21 (Duties of the Secretary General)** ② The Secretary General is responsible for an active cooperation activity with international organizations and experts in the water sector and effective implementation of AAWC strategy and policy, and operation of programs regarding strategy and policy. ④ The Secretary General is responsible for financial management and accounts, and prepare budget plans as an Agenda item for Board meetings. ⑤ The Secretary General approves staff recruitment of the Secretariat, which should be done within the budget range approved by the Board. ⑥ The Secretary General has the right to speak during the Board but does not have a voting right.

	⑦ The Secretary General should submit an AAWC cooperative activity report to the Board. ⑧ The Secretary General should submit the budget and operation reports to the Board. ⑨ In case of a vacancy of the Secretary General, the President appoints a temporary Secretary General by obtaining approval from the Board.
Article 22 (Duties of the Executive Director) ① The Executive Director receives instructions on the duties directly from the President and should report to the President. ② The Executive Director is responsible for the effective implementation of AAWC strategy and policy, and operation of programs regarding strategy and policy. ③ The Executive Director is responsible for financial management and accounts, and prepare budget plans as an Agenda item for Board meetings. ④ The Executive Director approves staff recruitment of the Secretariat, which should be done within the budget range approved by the Board. ⑤ The Executive Director has the right to speak during the Board but does not have a voting right. ⑥ The Executive Director should submit the budget and operation reports to the Board.	(Deletion)

⑦ In case of a vacancy of the Executive Director, the President appoints a temporary Executive Director by obtaining approval from the Board.	
Article 28 (Activity Plan and Budget) ② For AAWC operations, the Executive Director should draw up a budget for every fiscal year and submit it to the Board for approval.	**Article 27 (Activity Plan and Budget)** ② For AAWC operations, the Secretary General should draw up a budget for every fiscal year and submit it to the Board for approval.
Article 29 (Activity Results and Settlement) ② After the end of every fiscal year, the Executive Director should draw up documents contain income, expenses, and settlement for every year and submit it to the Board for approval.	**Article 28 (Activity Results and Settlement)** ② After the end of every fiscal year, the Secretary General should draw up documents contain income, expenses, and settlement for every year and submit it to the Board for approval.
Supplementary Provisions **Article 1 (Enforcement Date)** This Constitution goes into effect from the day it obtains the approval of the Board.	**Supplementary Provisions (2019. 9. 3)** **Article 1 (Enforcement Date)** This Constitution goes into effect from the day it obtains the approval of the Board. **Supplementary Provisions (2021. 5. 12)** This Constitution goes into effect from 05.12.2021.

Attachment 2: Revised Constitution (Draft)

Constitution of the Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board

(Ratified during the 1st Board Meeting in September 2019)
(Amended at the 3rd Board Meeting in May 2021)

Chapter 1 General Provisions

Article 1 (Name)

The name of this board shall be "Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board" (hereinafter referred to as "AAWC").

Article 2 (Objective)

AAWC aims to enable sustainable water management in the Asia region by promoting cooperation among Asian lawmakers in legislative and political dimensions for solving Asian water problems, sharing cases of law making and suggesting appropriate legislative alternatives, and collecting feedback from various water experts and stakeholders in accordance with the purpose of the "Preliminary Meeting of the Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board" and the "Manila Statement."

Article 3 (Organization)

AAWC consists of the Board, Bureau, and Secretariat. AAWC can add a temporary body if deemed necessary by the Board.

Article 4 (Activities)

① AAWC conducts activities specified in the following subparagraphs to achieve the objectives.

1. Share each member country's data, including but not limited to cases of law making and policies regarding water management
2. Suggest the establishment and amendment of laws regarding water management
3. Publicize Asian water issues through participation in international water conference and political sessions
4. Conduct joint studies on law and policies regarding water management and examine application of them to Asia
5. Cooperate with water organization like Asia Water Council
6. Pursue other water-related activities needed to achieve the objectives

② AAWC should obtain approval from the Board before pursuing for-profit activities or before conducting the activities specified in each subparagraph of paragraph 1. Any changes in the above AAWC activities also requires the Board's approval.

Chapter 2 Members

Article 5 (Qualification of Members)

① An AAWC Member must be an incumbent lawmaker who agree with the objectives of AAWC and express their intention to carry out Member's obligations and responsibilities stated in the Constitution.

② Members should recommend a replacement if they lose their position as an incumbent lawmaker in their country. The replacement regarded as a member.

Article 6 (Right of Members)

① Members have the right to vote for and be elected to the Board, and hold the right to speak and vote about AAWC's operations and activities by attending the Board.

② Members can receive materials and publications produced by AAWC and review materials concerning AAWC operations.

Article 7 (Obligation of Members)

The obligations of Members are as follows:

1. Observe AAWC's Constitution and regulations
2. Implement matters decided by the Board

Article 8 (Membership Withdrawal)

AAWC Memberships are withdrawn in cases when the incumbent lawmaker loses their position or when a Member submits their request in writing.

Chapter 3 Board

Article 9 (Qualification of Members)

Every AAWC Member is a Statutory Board Member. Board Members lose their board position upon Membership Withdrawal according at Article 8 of the Constitution.

Article 10 (Convocation of the Board)

① The Board meets at least once a year and the meeting is convened by the President in the following cases:

1. The President acknowledges its need; or
2. More than a fourth of the Board Members submit a written request.

② Only Members and the Secretariat can attend Board meetings. However, Stakeholders can attend Board meetings with the approval of the President.

③ A formal written notification of holding the Board meeting should be sent to all Board members 30 days prior to its opening and should include the meeting date, venue and agenda items.

④ The date and venue of the Board meeting shall be decided at the previous Board meeting. Rotation of countries should be considered when deciding the venue.

⑤ The President shall decide the meeting agenda by listening to the opinions of Board Members through the Secretary General. If there are different views on the agenda, a decision should be made through voting at the beginning of the Board meeting.

⑥ Cost of hosting the Board meeting is covered by host country.

⑦ The Secretary General should submit Minutes of the Board meeting to Board Members.

Article 11 (Decision Making of the Board)

① The Board discusses matters when a fourth of registered Board Members are in attendance and decides matters by a majority vote of Board Members in attendance.

② The President becomes the Chair of the Board and, if the President is absent, the Vice President takes the Chair.

③ The Board Members who are unable to participate in the Board can delegate their voting rights by submitting their power of attorney to the Secretariat prior to the holding of the Board.

④ If it is impossible to convene the Board, decisions can be made in writing regarding the matters that the President acknowledges.

Article 12 (Matters for Decision by the Board)

The Board decides matters outlined in the following subparagraphs.

1. Election of the Bureau;
2. Approval of new memberships;
3. Appointment of an accounting auditor;
4. Matters concerning the amendment of the Constitution;
5. Approval of the budget and final accounts;
6. Approval of activity plans;
7. Approval of finance plans;
8. Date and venue of the next Board meeting;
9. Appointment of the Secretary General;
10. Transfer of the Secretariat to a different country or city;
11. Disposal or mortgage of a material assets in accordance with the laws of the country where the Secretariat is located;
12. Matters concerning dissolution of AAWC; and
13. Matters that the President acknowledges need to be decided by the Board.

Article 13 (Remuneration of Board Members)

Board Member membership is an honorary position without remuneration.

Chapter 4 Bureau

Article 14 (Types and Election of the Bureau)

① The Bureau composes of the one President, three Vice Presidents and one Treasurer.

② The President is elected among Board Members and the Vice President and the Treasurer are appointed by the President.

③ The following should be considered during the appointment of the Vice Presidents.

1. Position as or above the Deputy Speaker in their respective countries;
2. Avoid bias of nationalities; and
3. Respect for elder Board Members;

④ Members that desire to run for the position of President should submit their candidacy registration form to the Secretariat two months before the opening of the Board.

⑤ As a result of voting, the President is elected in the order of the number of votes obtained by the candidates. In case of a tie, Members vote again from among the candidates who tied.

Article 15 (Term of the Bureau)

① The term of the Bureau is three years and Members can be re-elected for consecutive terms.

② The President can appoint a Vice President or Treasurer in case of a vacancy. The term of a Vice President or Treasurer appointed to fill a vacancy shall be the remaining period of the predecessor's term.

③ An Acting President is elected among Vice Presidents. The term of an Acting President elected to fill a vacancy shall be the remaining period of the predecessor's term.

Article 16 (Duties of the Bureau)

① The President represents AAWC and convenes the Board.

② The Vice Presidents assists the President and, in case of a vacancy of the President, fulfills the duties of the President within the scope of delegated authority.

③ The Treasurer, assisted by the Secretariat, is responsible for the accounts of AAWC.

④ The President determines the order of the Vice Presidents who will fulfill the duties of the President immediately after the Board has elected the President.

Article 17 (Convocation of the Bureau)

① The Bureau is convened for discussing agenda items to the Board and matters concerning the operation of AAWC by the President in any of the cases outlined in the following subparagraphs.

1. The Chair acknowledges its need
2. A Vice President submits a request in writing

Article 18 (Decision Making of the Bureau)

The Bureau discusses matters when a majority of registered Bureau Members are in attendance and decides matters by a majority vote of the Bureau Members in attendance.

Article 19 (Application)

The provisions stated in Chapter 3 of the Constitution regarding the Board shall apply in the operation of the Bureau.

Chapter 5 Secretariat

Article 20 (Structure of the Secretariat)

① The Secretariat implements matters decided by the Board.

② The Secretariat should assist and support AAWC bodies.

③ The Secretariat shall be composed of one Secretary General, who shall oversee all cooperation activities and all operations of the Secretariat and hire addition staff when needed.

④ The Secretary General are appointed by the Board to serve a term of three years, and can serve consecutive terms.

⑤ The Secretary General are positions without remuneration. However, necessary AAWC related expenses can be paid.

Article 21 (Duties of the Secretary General)

① The Secretary General receives instructions on the duties directly from the President and should report to the President.

② The Secretary General is responsible for an active cooperation activity with international organizations and experts in the water sector and effective implementation of AAWC strategy and policy, and operation of programs regarding strategy and policy.

③ The Secretary General should prepare cooperation activities plans, operate and manage the Board meeting and the Bureau meeting, and prepare the proceedings.

④ The Secretary General is responsible for financial management and accounts, and prepare budget plans as an Agenda item for Board meetings.

⑤ The Secretary General approves staff recruitment of the Secretariat, which should be done within the budget range approved by the Board.

⑥ The Secretary General has the right to speak during the Board but does not have a voting right.

⑦ The Secretary General should submit an AAWC cooperative activity report to the Board.

⑧ The Secretary General should submit the budget and operation reports to the Board.

⑨ In case of a vacancy of the Secretary General, the President appoints a temporary Secretary General by obtaining approval from the Board.

Article 22 (Code of Conduct of the Secretariat)

Matters concerning the Secretariat's personnel management, services and remuneration are stipulated as separate regulations in accordance with the laws of the country where the Secretariat is located.

Article 23 (Location of the Secretariat)

① The Secretariat shall be located in Seoul, Republic of Korea and branch offices can be located within Korea or abroad if necessary.

② The Secretariat may only be transferred by approval of Board.

Chapter 6 Finance

Article 24 (AAWC Income)

① AAWC income comes from the following sources:

1. Donations and contributions by governmental organizations of member countries;

2. Income from received projects or activities; and
3. Other income derived from publications, forums and related activities.

Article 25 (AAWC Expenses)

① All AAWC expenses should be budgeted.

② If the budget is not finalized before the commencement of the fiscal year, necessary expenses can be spent by the end of February of the following year in accordance with previous year's budget.

Article 26 (Fiscal Year)

The fiscal year of AAWC shall be between January 1 and December 31 every year.

Article 27 (Activity Plan and Budget)

① For implementation of AAWC activities, the Secretary General should draw up an activity plan for every year and submit it to the Board for approval.

② For AAWC operations, the Secretary General should draw up a budget for every fiscal year and submit it to the Board for approval.

③ The Board can supplement or revise the budget approved by the Board.

Article 28 (Activity Results and Settlement)

① After the end of every fiscal year, the Secretary General should draw up the activity results for every year and submit it to the Board for approval.

② After the end of every fiscal year, the Secretary General should draw up documents contain income, expenses, and settlement for every year and submit it to the Board for approval.

Article 29 (Surplus after Settlement)

In principle, any surplus after settlement shall be carried forward to the following year.

Article 30 (Accounting Audit)

An accounting audit shall be conducted once a year and the results will be reported to the President, and the Board.

Article 31 (Regulations on Accounting)

AAWC's accounting follows Generally Accepted Accounting Principles of the country where

the Secretariat of AAWC is located and, if needed, standards, procedures, budget, settlement and accounting are stipulated as separate regulations.

Chapter 7 Dissolution

Article 32 (AAWC Dissolution)

① The Board will approve AAWC dissolution by a majority of registered members, and dissolution should be reported to the head of competent authorities according to the laws of the country where the Secretariat is located.

② In case of AAWC dissolution, the President becomes the liquidator.

Article 33 (Disposal of Residual Property)

Residual property at the time of AAWC dissolution should be donated to the central or local governments where the Secretariat is located or other organizations with similar objectives with AAWC after obtaining approval of the Board and in accordance with the laws of the country where the Secretariat is located.

Article 34 (Application)

For items not stipulated in the Constitution are to be in accordance with the laws of the country where the Secretariat is located.

Chapter 8 Miscellaneous Provisions

Article 35 (Designation of Official Language)

English shall be the official language used for all meetings and documents of AAWC.

Article 36 (Constitution Enactment)

AAWC can amend the Constitution, which should be approved by the Board.

Article 37 (Regulation Enactment)

AAWC can enact regulations needed to enforce this Constitution, which should be approved by the Board.

Supplementary Provisions (2019. 9. 3)

Article 1 (Enforcement Date)

This Constitution goes into effect from the day it obtains the approval of the Board.

Supplementary Provisions (2021. 5. 12)

This Constitution goes into effect from 05.12.2021.

Agenda 7

Membership

Agenda 7. Membership

Purpose:

1. To present and approve new members to the AAWC

Background:

2. According to the Article 12 of the Constitution, the Board decides matters outlined in the following subparagraphs: (2) Approval of new memberships
3. Currently, AAWC is composed of 23 members from 9 countries

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** new Members of the AAWC:
   - Boriy Alikhanov, Senate of the Oily Majlis of Uzbekistan

Agenda 8

Finances

Agenda 8. Finances

Purpose:

1. To approve the Financial Report of 2020 and Financial Plan for 2021

Background:

2. According to Article 12 of the Constitution, the Board decides matters outlined in the following subparagraphs: (7) Approval of finance plans
3. The Financial Report of 2020 and Financial Plan for 2021 are presented in the attachment

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that the Board of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** the Financial Report of 2020 and Financial Plan for 2021

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Financial Report of 2020
2	Financial Plan for 2021

Attachment 1: Financial Report of 2020

(1 million KRW = 1,000 USD)

Expenses	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)	Revenues	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)
Meeting Organization	**180**	**Subsidies**	**500**
Convention Services (2nd Board Meeting)	140	Government Subsidy (ME)	500
Meeting Organization & Attendance	36		
Other Charges	4		
Travel & Accommodations (Secretariat)	**20**		
Travel	15		
Accommodation	5		
Technical Consultants	**200**		
Consultants (Water Projects)	190		
Other	10		
Policy Research	**100**		
Research Service (Policy Research on Policy & Legislative Approaches for Resolving Asia Water Issues)	50		
Personnel Expense	50		
Total Expenses	**500**	**Total Revenue**	**500**

Attachment 2: Financial Plan for 2021

(1 million KRW = 1,000 USD)

Expenses	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)	Revenues	Provisional Budget (KRW'm)
Meeting Organization	**180**	**Subsidies**	**500**
3rd Board Meeting	90	Government Subsidy (ME)	500
4th Board Meeting	90		
Travel & Accommodations (Secretariat)	**20**		
Travel	15		
Accommodation	5		
Technical Consultants	**200**		
Consultants (Water Projects)	190		
Other	10		
Policy Research	**100**		
Research Service (Policy Research on Policy & Legislative Approaches for Resolving Asia Water Issues)	50		
Personnel Expense	50		
Total Expenses	**500**	**Total Revenue**	**500**

Agenda 9

Activity Reoport

Agenda 9. Activity Report

Purpose:

1. To present AAWC activities from September 2020 to March 2021

Background:

2. Since the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting in September 2020, Board Members have organised or participated in various water-related legislative activities in their countries
3. Activity Reports have been submitted by:
   a. Republic of Korea
   b. Nepal
   c. Philippines

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** the activities undertaken by AAWC Board Members

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Republic of Korea
2	Nepal
3	Philippines

Attachment 1: Activity Report of the Republic of Korea

Activity Title	VISIT OF MR. SAIDOV ZOKIR, DEPUTY HEAD OF MISSION OF THE UZBEKISTAN EMBASSY

On 14 September 2020, Mr. Saidov Zokir, Deputy Head of Mission of the Uzbekistan Embassy, visited the office of Hon. Jae-ill Byun at the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea following the 2nd AAWC Board meeting. Given a Joint Declaration on Special Strategic Partnership signed between the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Uzbekistan in 2019, the need for building stronger legislative and political cooperation between the two countries was stressed during the meeting.

Activity Title	2nd AIWW ON-AIR OPENING CEREMONY

On 24 February 2021, Hon. Jae-ill Byun, Hon. Jong-seong Lim and other AAWC Board members participated in the opening ceremony of the 2nd AIWW On-Air, a series of virtual conferences to raise global interest and encourage participation of the public. Throughout the event, all participants shared invaluable perspectives, innovative ideas, knowledge and best practices on enhancing water cooperation in Asia. President Byun claimed that AAWC will be fully committed to development of water-related policy and legislation by participating in the upcoming sessions of the 2nd AIWW On-Air.

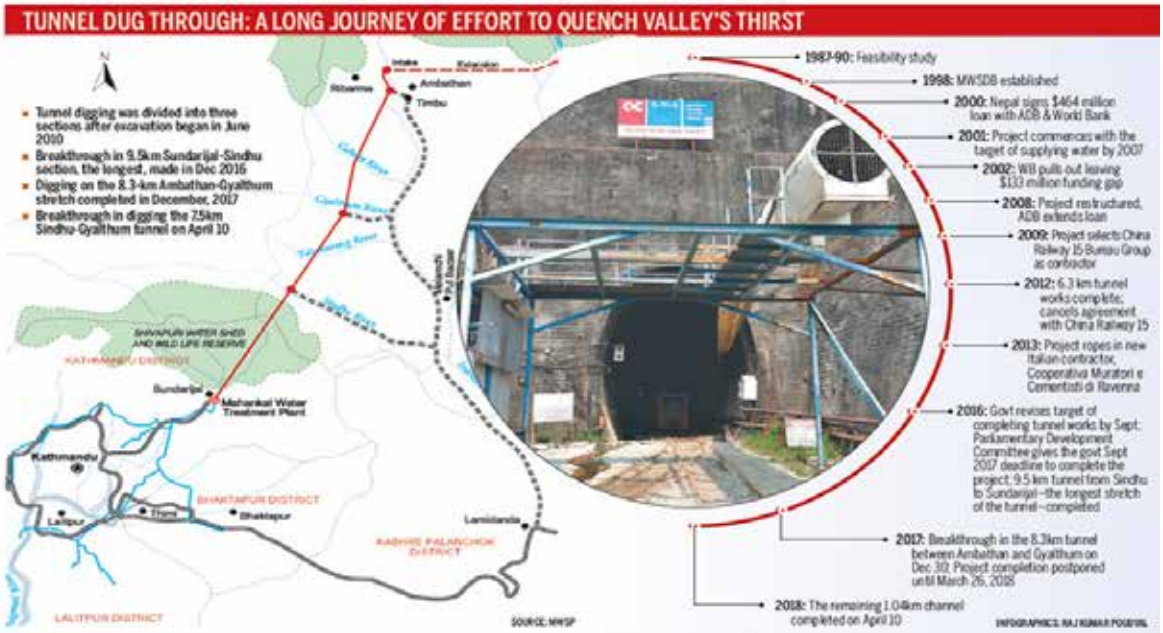
Activity Title	DISCUSSION ON INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT & NATIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

On 17 March 2021, Hon. Jong-seong Lim attended the 12th Great Debate on the topic of Integrated Water Resources Management and National Water Management Plan virtually held by the National Assembly Water Forum. He emphasized the role of Basic National Water Management Plan in establishing sustainable water circulation system and improving the quality of life of the people in response to the impacts of climate change.

Attachment 2: Activity Report of Nepal

Activity Title	MELAMCHI WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

Melamchi Water Supply Project (MWSP) is a project to supply drinking water to Kathmandu Valley by diverting 170,000,000 liters (45,000,000 US gallons) of water per day. The project started in 1998 and completed in 2021. The intake of this project is located in Melamchi, Nepal. Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport (Nepal) is the executing agency for the Project and Melamchi Water Supply Development Board is the implementing agency. This project is mainly financed by Japan and the Asian Development Bank. About 57% of the project cost is loan, 16% is grant and 26% is financed by the Nepalese government.



The Melamchi Water Supply Project (MWSP) is considered to be the most viable long-term alternative to ease the chronic water shortage situation within the Kathmandu Valley. The Project is designed to divert about 170 MLD of fresh water to Kathmandu Valley from the Melamchi River in Sindhupalchowk district. Augmenting this supply by adding about a further 170 MLD each from the Yangri and Larke rivers, which lie in the upstream proximity of Melamchi are also being investigated as future supply sources.

Attachment 3: Activity Report of the Philippines

Activity Title	VIABILITY OF LAGUNA BAY AN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF POTABLE WATER IN METRO MANILA DISCUSSED BY THE COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT LAST MARCH 17, 2021

Last March 17, 2021, Representative Precious Hipolito Castelo chaired the discussion of the viability of Laguna Bay as an alternative source of potable water in Metro Manila in the Committee of Metro Manila Development of the House of Representatives. Present in the meeting are experts in the field of water as well as heads of relevant government agencies.

The Committee deems it timely to discuss the subject matter considering the looming threat of water crisis in the Philippines. Last 2019, water shortage was experienced in Metro Manila and other neighboring cities. What is hoped to be prevented is a repeat of this occurrence. The Committee will schedule more meetings to be able to come up with appropriate and well-informed recommendations that can help avert potential water crises in the future. The Committee also resolved to conduct ocular inspections of all the major dams in the country when it is already deemed safe to do so.

Activity Title	RAINWATER HARVESTING FACILITY ACT APPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THIRD READING LAST NOVEMBER 25, 2020

The bill seeks to establish minimum rainwater management requirements and controls to protect and safeguard the general health, safety, and welfare of the public against the ill effects of floods on one hand, and water shortage on the other. Under this bill, all project owners or developers of proposed commercial, industrial, and residential development or any residential multi-dwelling units of more than 1,000 square meters land area must submit a Rainwater Management Plan as part of the site development application and approval process. The bill was transmitted to and received by the Senate on November 26, 2020 and will undergo the same legislative process prior the approval of the President.

Agenda 10

3rd Asia International Water Week

Agenda 10. 2nd Asia International Water Week

Purpose:

1. To notify on the current status of the 2nd Asia International Water Week (AIWW) preparatory process

Background:

2. The AIWW is a triennial water gathering for multi-stakeholders to seek tangible implementation for resolving Asian water problems. This is organised by the Asia Water Council in collaboration with the authorities of the host country in Asia
3. To raise awareness of the Asia's water issues and seek political support and actions, the Asia to World Statement is drafted by three different levels; among Parliamentarians, Ministers and Water Leaders in Asia. Raising the importance of implementation and recognition in line with 'Water Action Decade (2018-2028)', the Statement will be declared at various water conference including the 2nd AIWW which will be held in November 2021 in Labuan Bajo, Indonesia

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** a brief outline of the 2nd AIWW including, a background, time schedule and detailed programs of the event to promote an active participation of the AAWC Board members.

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	2nd AIWW Concept Note
2	Current status in preparation of the 2nd AIWW

Attachment 1: 2nd AIWW Concept Note

I. 2nd Asia International Water Week

1. Objective

The Asia International Water Week (AIWW) is a triennial water gathering to share practical solutions to solve Asian water problems. It is organized by Asia Water Council (AWC) in collaboration with the host country.

Regional water problems that were discussed throughout the three years of the preparatory process of the AIWW will be raised as primary issues of the Asian water community and will be disseminated to the global water community with action plans to solve them.
The tangible plans to implement solutions will be particularly highlighted by organizing the sessions on the pertinent topics. Designing the future plans for collected action plans will be the core part of the gathering in the AIWW.

Stakeholders and preeminent experts gather at the AIWW to share their insights and experiences to support the activities of AWC and pave the way towards sustainable development in Asia. As the AIWW is held one year prior to the World Water Forum, major gathering for the preparatory process and the follow up action process will be held at the World Water Forum.

✓ **When and where will the AIWW be held?**

The AIWW will be held every three years, one year prior to the World Water Forum by AWC in collaboration with the host country that will bid three years prior to the AIWW. The 1st AIWW was successfully held in Gyeongju City, Republic of Korea September 2017. Due to the COVID-19 happened in 2020, the 2nd AIWW will be held in Labuan Bajo, Indonesia in November 2021. AWC makes every effort to disseminate and develop further the valuable outcomes of the 1st AIWW to the world through sessions and the statement of the 2nd AIWW.

✓ **How is the AIWW different from other Forums?**

AIWW's core value is to bridge problems with solutions. This is achieved in two ways: sharing water issues to be discussed as main agendas globally and using AIWW as an arena to share solutions and match those with the problems. Such emphasis is not only evident in the AIWW's Asia Water Issues process, but also in the Asia to World Statements and the Water Project Forum. Therefore, AIWW seeks to create a benevolent cycle of implementation of

appropriate solutions leading to the generation of more solutions to be applied to the most challenging water issues in Asia and the world.

✓ **How can Asia benefit from AWC and AIWW?**

One of the core values of AWC is to raise primary regional water issues of concerns and findings through AWC members' 'Implementation of water solutions to Asian water problems'.

This will be fulfilled by promoting 'Asian sustainable growth' to successfully provide tangible and practical water solutions with appropriate methodologies. Accordingly, AWC is aimed to encourage common prosperity and to achieve the SDGs by solving Asian water challenges with the stakeholders including governments, MDBs, ECAs, public organizations, academia & research organizations, and international organizations as well as civil societies within the AWC platform.

In this regard, AWC will become a distinctive entity, which has never previously existed, focusing on water related issues in Asia and providing practical solutions with applicable implementation methodologies.

2. Time Schedule

- **Date**: November 2021
- **Venue**: Labuan Bajo, Indonesia
- **Host**: Ministry of Public Works and Housing, Indonesia
- **Main and Sub Theme**: Sustainable Clean & Sufficient Water for All
  (Smart-Eco City Harmonized by ICT-based Technology for Sustainable Development)
- **Estimated Participants**: Over 5,000
  (Governments, Public Organizations, Experts, Enterprises, Citizens)
- **Key Features (TBC)**

① Mr. Joko Widodo (President of Indonesia)

② Dr. Ki-Moon Ban (President of Global Green Growth Institute, Former Secretary General of UN)

③ Dr. Basuki Hajimuljono (Minister of Public Works and Housing of Indonesia)

④ Dr. Jae-hyeon Park (President of Asia Water Council)

⑤ Dr. Bambang Susantono (Vice President of Asian Development Bank)

⑥ Dr. Loic Fauchon (President of World Water Council)

⑦ Water-related Minister-level high profiles in Asian countries

3. Time Table of the 2nd AIWW (Tentative)

Registration

Time	Program
09:00-18:00	**Registration**

Day 1

Time	Program		
09:00-10:30	**Opening Ceremony** (Keynote Speaker: President of Indonesia, TBD)		2nd AIWW EXPO (Exhibition Booth) VIP Guided Tour
10:30-12:00	Asia to World Statement (Parliamentarians, Ministers, Leaders from Asia)		
12:00-13:30	Lunch		
13:30-15:00	Water Project Business Forum (Water Issue→ Professional Consultation→ Biz-making) • Keynote Speakers: Minister of Public Works and Housing of Indonesia, AWC President)	Board Meeting of the Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board	
15:00-16:30		AAWC Special Session	
16:30-18:00			

Day 2

Time	Program			
08:00-09:00	**Plenary Session** Smart-Eco City in New Capital			2nd AIWW EXPO (Exhibition Booth) IWRA Special Session K-water-Mekong River Commission Special Session
09:00-10:30	I-1 Catalyzing integrated water policy	II-1 Smart water solutions for water uses	III-1 Managing risk and uncertainty	
10:30-12:00	I-2 Financing water for sustainable growth	II-2 Smart water solutions for water environment	III-2 Adapting water resources to climate change	
12:00-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-15:00	I-3 Building inclusive water system	II-3 Smart water solutions for water-related disasters	III-3 Climate change and water infrastructure	
15:00-16:30	I-4 Water security in the Small Island States (SIDS)	II-4 Smart water management for IWRM	III-4 Natural disasters and climate change	
16:30-18:00	IV-1 Livelihoods and the Water-Energy-Food Nexus	V-1 Catchment and biodiversity protection	VI-1 Management of water-related agenda and information	

Day 3

Time	Program			
08:00-09:00	**Plenary Session** Linkages between the 2nd AIWW and the 9th World Water Forum			2nd AIWW EXPO (Exhibition Booth) K-water Alumni Special Session
09:00-10:30	IV-2 Policy for water management based on WEF Nexus approach	V-2 Managing hydrology and environmental flows	VI-2 Development of a knowledge dissemination approaches	
10:30-12:00	IV-3 Micro-Grid Nexus Application	V-3 Human settlement and ecosystem & Nature-based solution and resilience	VI-3 Urban water security and resilience	
12:00-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-15:00	IV-4 Water use balance on the WEF Nexus & Aral Sea Innovations by Nexus assessment Tool	V-4 Guidelines for water quality and ecosystems & Payment for ecosystem services	VI-4 Knowledge and information sharing for capacity building in terms of water resources	
15:00-18:00	Closing Ceremony			

Day 4

Time	Program
09:00-17:00	**Site Survey Visit** (Specific sites will be determined soon)

▪ Main Themes of Parallel Sessions

No.	Coordinators	Title
Theme I	AWP,TRC,MPWH	Water Security and Sustainable Growth
Theme II	K-water,Tsinghua University,@qua,PJT1	Building a Plan for IWRM/SWM Pilot Project and Capacity Building
Theme III	IWHR,AIT,KEI,K-water,BAPPENAS	Water Management Policy and Technology Responding to Climate
Theme IV	IFAS,Daejin University,PJT2	Interactions among the Water, Energy, Food and Ecosystems Nexus
Theme V	UNESCO,IWRA,GNKPA	Water Security addressing Local, Regional and Global Challenges
Theme VI	GIWEH,IWI	Asia Dynamic Hub for Water – The Power of Knowledge & Information

II. 2nd AIWW Programs

1. Main Programs of the 2nd AIWW

1) Program

The program is mainly composed of three processes along with the Expo. The processes, which are the three pillars of the 2nd AIWW's program are Asia to World Statements, Water Project Business Forum, and Asia Water Issues. While the Expo has its focus on interaction with the general public, each of the three processes has its own objectives in order to include various stakeholders in different settings to increase participation and strengthen the impact of the 2nd AIWW. While each process has its own purpose, the three processes create a synergy towards accomplishing the mission of AWC. The complementary relationships between the processes are illustrated below.

A. Asia to World Statement

The Asia to World Statements mainly consists of two parts. One is to continue to develop on the Statement that was declared during the 1st AIWW. The Statement is a collection of twelve commitments by high-level decision makers, mainly at ministerial level and head of public agency. The Statement was a result of exchange of views of national and local governments on water issues, which will continue to be monitored and developed upon throughout the 2nd AIWW process. The progress of the Statement will be announced during the 2nd AIWW.

Another part is the collection of regional and municipal governments. Local governments also have a willingness and capacity to solve water issues that their constituents are suffering from. Therefore, there will be collection of local governments gathering to devise avenues of political cooperation among local governments and also with national governments and intergovernmental organizations.

The process will also include private companies as they are important agents of implementation for the execution of the commitments that will result from this process.

B. Water Project Business Forum

AWC has two major pillars to deal with Asian water problems: one is to hand over Asian water issues to the world by establishing Priority for Implementation(PFI) and the other is to implement practical solutions through Water Projects.

After establishing AWC, AWC membership countries have proposed several water projects to deal with each country's water problems and have implemented relevant solutions in those countries. AWC pursues water projects to promote adaptable and appropriate solutions for each issue in order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

During the 1st AIWW, these projects were proposed and examined on a national level through discussion on the current status of each country's water resources and issues while exploring solutions. Moreover, the 2nd AIWW will also convene central governments including regional and municipal along with members of the private sector who will be key actors in the implementation of the solutions to the proposed issues. This will create a more dynamic environment for cooperation, which will result in practical partnerships among decision makers and providers of solutions.

Currently, approximately 10 local cities of Indonesia that are related to or interested in water, are planning to participate and discuss with private sectors to derive the best solution for each city's water problems.

Therefore, the Water Project Business Forum will be an arena for numerous G2B and B2B meetings in order to directly engage both the governments and the private sector to fully support these projects. The Water Project Business Forum will provide an opportunity to match appropriate actors to showcase various technologies and knowledge to appropriately match those with the water issues across the world.

C. Asia Water Issues

Asia Water Issues, the backbone of AIWW, seeks to engage various stakeholders with different interests in discussion of all water-related subjects.

The general direction of Asia Water Issues of the 2nd AIWW is to develop on the results of the 1st AIWW. The results of Asia Water Issues of the 1st AIWW have been continuously developed since its closing, working its way into the main agenda of the 8th World Water Forum. The 2nd AIWW seeks to continue to build on the momentum that has been created through the 1st AIWW. The SCs of AWC have been reformed to reflect and maintain the progress that was achieved during the 1st AIWW throughout the preparatory process of the 2nd AIWW. Each SC will drive each main theme, which will work as pillars of the overall Asia Water Issues framework. The main themes of the 2nd AIWW are as follows:

D. Expo & Fair

The Expo & Fair of the 2nd AIWW will be a venue to exhibit the latest technologies and products of global water companies and introduce water management policies and technologies of participating countries. It will be held to strengthen business cooperation and networking among water stakeholders. It will also introduce policies and technologies to solve water problems discussed during the 2nd AIWW and serve as an avenue for policymakers to exchange information with representatives from the private sector. Moreover, national pavilions will create value for the countries to promote their competitiveness in the water industry.

The Expo & Fair will also host booths and exhibitions by civil society groups, which will provide an opportunity for more civic engagement and water education for the general public, who will be attending the 2nd AIWW. This will result in improved awareness of the water sector's opportunities and barriers, while also contributing to capacity building for future leaders in the international water community.

III. Details of the 2nd AIWW Programs

1. Asia Water Issues

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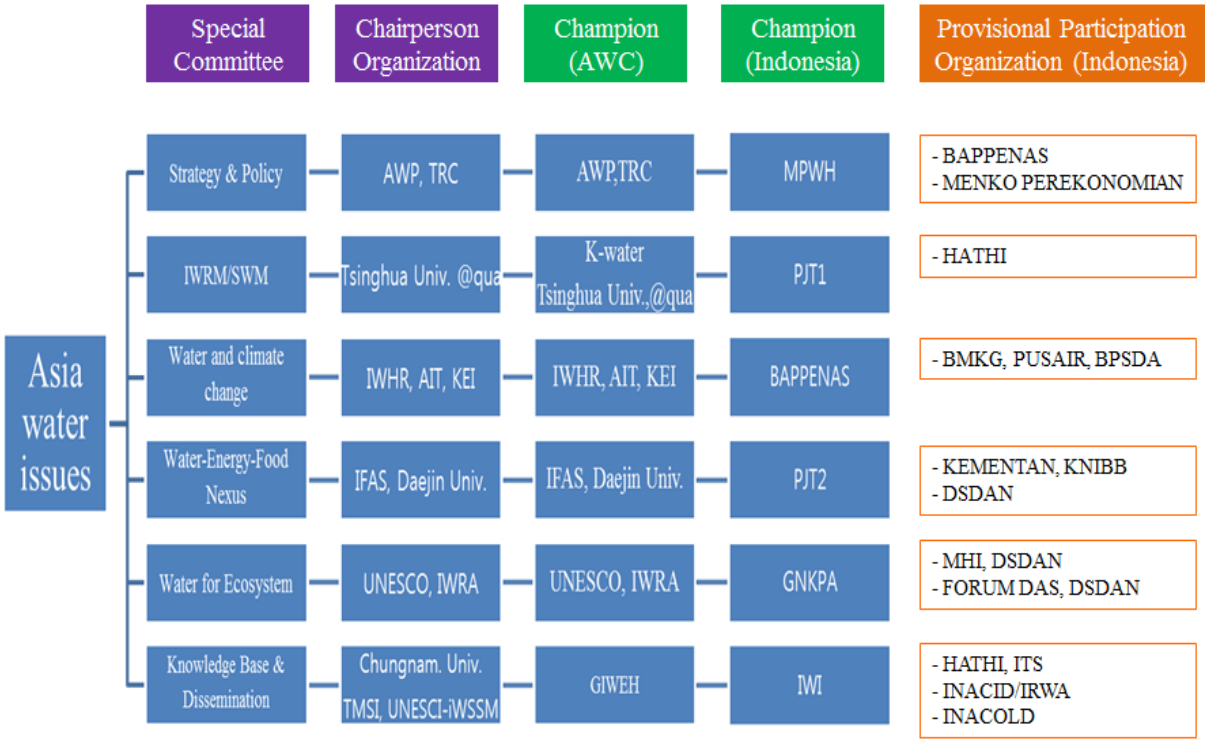
The composition of Special Committees and Main Theme Champions are the followings:



2) The 2nd AIWW Water Issues (Themes)

A. Based on the overall outcomes of the 2nd AIWW Kick-off and the 3rd GA Meetings, the six main Themes are selected and those are:

Special Committee	Theme Topics
Strategy & Policy	Water for Sustainable Growth
IWRM / SWM	Smart Water Solutions for Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)
Climate Change	Water and Climate Change
W-E-F Nexus	Water, Energy, Food Nexus
Water for Ecosystem	Water and Ecosystems
Knowledge base and Dissemination	Knowledge, Dissemination and Innovation

B. Each main Theme's sub-themes are selected and those are:

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on Strategy & Policy**

Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Catalysing integrated water policy	**Institute of Water Policy**
• Financing water for sustainable growth	**World Bank and OECD**
• Building inclusive water systems	**TBD**
• Water security in the Small Island States (SIDS)	**PWWA**

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on IWRM/SWM**

Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Smart Water Solutions for Water Uses	**SWG Research Group**
• Smart Water Solutions for Water Environments	**TBD (Indonesia)**
• Smart Water Solutions for Water-related Disasters	**Tsinghua Univ.**
• Smart Water solutions for IWRM	**K-water**

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on Water and Climate Change**

Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Managing the risks and uncertainties	K-water + KEI
• Adapting Water Resources to Climate Change	AIT
• Climate Change and Water Infrastructure	IWHR
• Natural Disaster and Climate Change	TBD (Indonesia)

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on W-E-F Nexus**

Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Livelihoods and the Water-Energy-Food Nexus	FAO
• Policy for Water Management based on WEF Nexus Approach	K-water
• Water Use Balance and Micro-Grid Nexus Application	Daejin Univ. + IWHR
• Progress in the Aral Sea Basin by Innovations and Nexus Approach	IFAS

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on Water for Ecosystem**

Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Catchment and Biodiversity Protection	FAO
• Managing Hydrology and Environmental Flows	K-water
• Nature-based Solutions for Resilient Human Settlements	UNESCO
• Delivering Ecosystem Services through Stakeholder Engagement and Water Quality Guidelines	IWRA

- **Sub-theme Topics of Special Committee on Knowledge base and Dissemination**

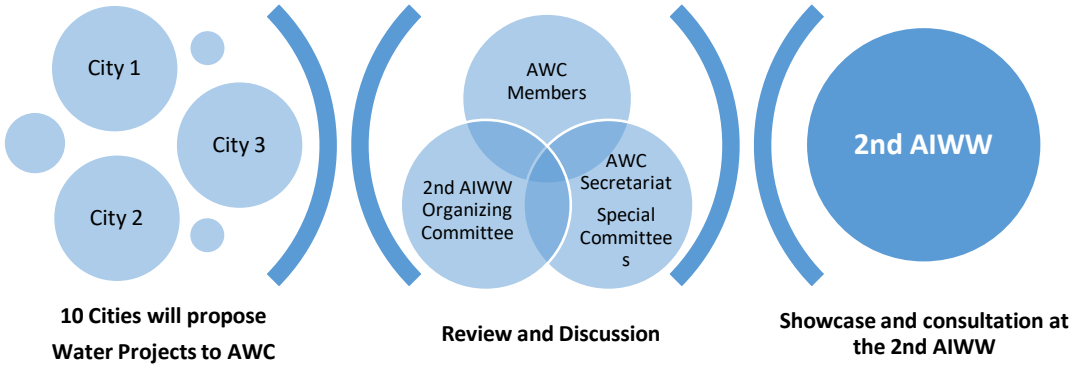
Sub-theme Topics	Sub-theme Organizers
• Management of Water-related Agenda and Information	Univ. of Indonesia
• Development of a Knowledge Dissemination Approaches	GIWEH
• Urban Resilience (Big Data and Innovation)	TMSI
• Knowledge and Information Sharing for Capacity Building in terms of Water Resources	UNESCO i-WSSM

2. Water Project Business Forum

1) Characteristics of WPBF in 2nd AIWW- Localized Water Project

To increase the impact of the Water Project, it is critical to encourage involvement of the local residents and water practitioners to the Water Project Business Forum. Also, AWC seeks to connect water practitioners with technology providers throughout the Water Project Business Forum as we expect to bring various water sector groups to the 2nd AIWW such as Governments, Public and Private sectors, Multilateral Development Banks, International Organizations and especially local authorities and community members in Indonesia.

2) How to operate WPBF in 2nd AIWW



In the preparation stage, AWC Indonesia and the 2nd AIWW Organizing Committee will select 10 local cities along with other countries that are demanding water projects to reduce growing water problems. Once their proposals are submitted, AWC Indonesia will disseminate to the AWC Secretariat and Special Committees to examine the feasibility and impact of each project.

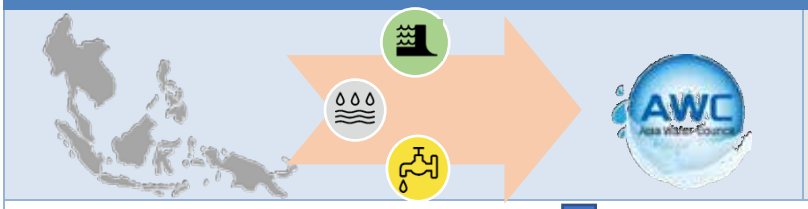
After the showcase of each cities/countries' selected water project during the Water Project Business Forum session, G2B consultation will be followed where project practitioners can meet not only water experts who are specialized in project financing, technology development, policy analysis, but also local residents representing each target city to match demand and supply.

3) What we expect from the 2nd AIWW - Integrated Solution to Water Projects

Throughout the Water Project Business Forum, we aim to integrate any potential methods; policy reform, water financing, technical assistance, knowledge sharing and capacity building to resolve water problems in 10 respective cities and countries. This Forum will bring real changes that will impact the local communities, by implementing practical water projects that will enhance water security and safety and improve the quality of life through supplying clean and sufficient water.

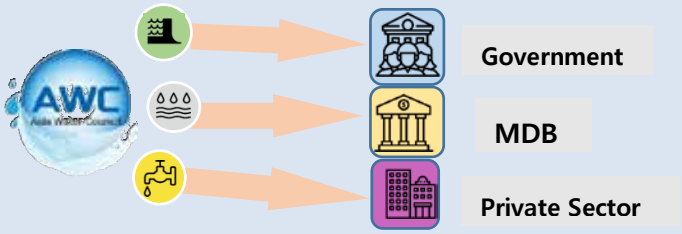
4) Concept of the Water Project Business Forum

I. 2nd AIWW Stakeholders Consultation Meeting Preparation (1)



Submit water problems / planning water project of each countries in Southeast Asia

II. 2nd AIWW Stakeholders Consultation Meeting Preparation (2)



Distribute submitted water problems to water related sector players in order for them to comprehend the ongoing water projects and find out which project they could help

III. 2nd AIWW Stakeholders Consultation Meeting

Discuss water project and draft the proposal together with Gov't, cities, MDBs, private sector, appropriate technologies, AWC Secretariat in order to come up with the solutions to water problems and develop the project

IV. After 2nd AIWW Stakeholders Consultation Meeting

Continuous feedback and proposal supplementation after the SCM along with the funding agencies such as GCF, AIIB, World Bank, Asia Development Bank.

V. 2nd Asia International Water Week – Water Project Business Forum

Conclude Water Project

3. Asia to World Statement

The Asia to World Statements mainly consists of two parts. One is develop on the Statement that was declared during the 1st AIWW. The Statement is a collection of twelve commitments by high-level decision makers, mainly at ministerial level and head of public agency. The Statement was a result of exchange of views of national and local governments on water issues, which will continue to be monitored and developed upon throughout the 2nd AIWW process. The progress of the Statement will be announced during the 2nd AIWW.

Another part is the collection of regional and municipal governments. Local governments also have a willingness and capacity to solve water issues that their constituents are suffering from. Therefore, there will be collection of local governments gathering to devise avenues of political cooperation among local governments and also with national governments and intergovernmental organizations.

The process will also include private companies as they are important agents of implementation for the execution of the commitments that will result from this process

1) Fulfillment of the statement that was declared during the 1st AIWW

A. AWC members declared the first version of Water Statement, each participant from 50 organizations shared their action plans and best practices based on the 12 commitments from “Asia to World Statement”.

B. As promised to solve practical and concrete water problem solutions, the fulfillment of commitments should be monitored and developed upon throughout the 2nd AIWW process.

C. To this end, it is recommended that the Asia to World Statement Task Force Organizations review and report the fulfillment of commitments by participating

2) The table demonstrates the list of task force members of Asia to World Statement

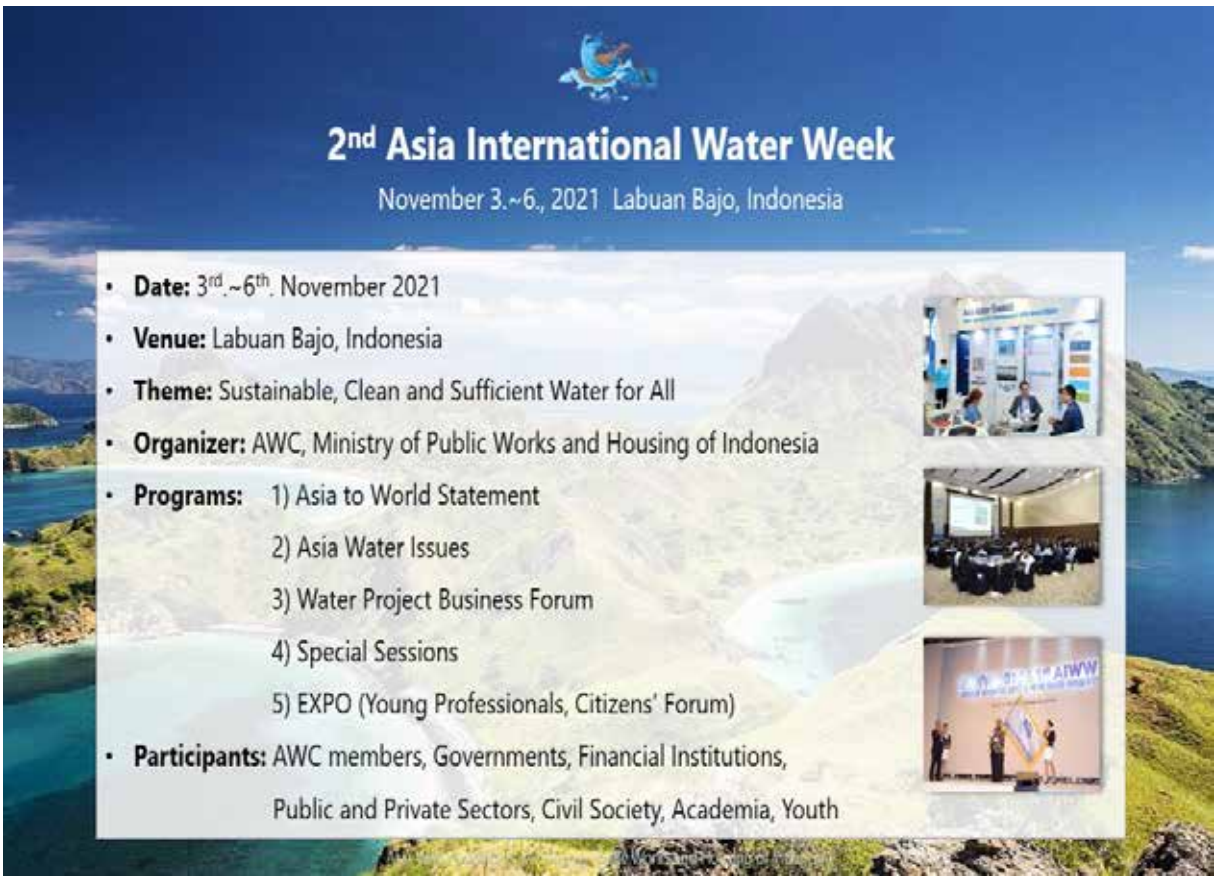
AWC and Host Country	
Ministry of Water Resources, China	Indonesia Association of Hydraulic Engineers
Ministry of Environment, Korea	Ministry of Public Works and Housing, Indonesia
Office of National Water Resources, Thailand	Indonesia Water Institute
Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN	PJT1

3) Participants List of the 1st Asia to World Statement Program

Country	*Organizations*
Republic of Korea	K-water, Korea Rural Community Cooperation Agency, Korea Water Forum, etc.
China	Repair Department, Repair Tidal Science Institute, Changjiang River Repair Commission, Tsinghua University
Indonesia	Indonesia Ministry of Public Works and Housing(MPWH),Indonesia Water Institute(IWI), Indonesia Association of Hydraulic Engineers(IAHE), PJT1 or 2
Thailand	Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives(MAC), Royal Irrigation Department(RID), Metropolitan Waterworks Authority(MWA),American Institute in Taiwan(AIT)
Cambodia	Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology of Cambodia(MWRM)
Vietnam	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment(MNRE), National Center for Water Resources Planning and Investigation(NAWAPI)
Mongolia	Ministry of Nature, Environment and Tourism(MNET),Water Services Regulatory Commission of Mongolia(WSRCM)
Philippine	Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System(MWSS), Local water Utilities Administration(LWUA)
Malaysia	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment(MONRE)
Singapore	Public Utilities Board(PUB), Tropical Marine Science Institute, National University of Singapore(TMSI)
Laos	Ministry of Energy and Mines(MEM)
Uzbekistan	GWP Central Asia and Caucasus
Pakistan	Pakistan Water Partnership(PWP)
MDBs	Asian Development Bank, World Bank, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
IOs	Global Water Partnership, United Nations Capital Development Fund, Asia Pacific Water Forum, @qua, Geneva Water Environment and Health Research Institute etc.

Attachment 2: Current status in preparation of the 2nd AIWW

Performance of 1st AIWW
"Asian Solutions for Water"
The 1st AIWW was successfully held by AWC in Sep 2017, in Gyeongju, Republic of Korea
Asia Water Issues
20,000
Participants from
70
Countries around the world joined in AIWW and
125
Water Professionals delivered presentations in Asia Water Issues
Asia to World Statement
40
Representative Organizations from
18
Countries agreed
12
Clauses in the Statement
Water Project Business Forum`
30
Water Projects which were amount to
2
Billion US Dollar discussed among
500
Water Professionals such as MDB, Gov`t, Private Sector


2nd Asia International Water Week
November 3.~6., 2021 Labuan Bajo, Indonesia
Date: 3rd.~6th. November 2021
Venue: Labuan Bajo, Indonesia
Theme: Sustainable, Clean and Sufficient Water for All
Organizer: AWC, Ministry of Public Works and Housing of Indonesia
Programs: 1) Asia to World Statement
2) Asia Water Issues
3) Water Project Business Forum
4) Special Sessions
5) EXPO (Young Professionals, Citizens' Forum)
Participants: AWC members, Governments, Financial Institutions,
Public and Private Sectors, Civil Society, Academia, Youth

2nd Asia International Water Week
November 2021 Labuan Bajo, Indonesia
Asia to World Statement
- To inspire global action for resolving water issues in Asia to achieve the SDGs
- Parliamentarian, Ministerial, Expert levels
- Link with the 9th World Water Forum Political Process
Asia Water Issue
- To share knowledge and information on current water issues in Asia
- To seek practical solutions by enhancing water policies, developing technologies, and financing etc.
- 24 sessions
Water Project Business Forum
- To explore water issues in Asia and match demand-based water projects with appropriate solution providers
- Local governments, water enterprises, financial institutions, civil society
EXPO & Special Sessions
- To disseminate cutting-edge water technologies and products
- Open stage for special events and sessions
- Special sessions co-organized with AWC members and partners (IWRA, WWC, MPWH, etc.)

See you in Labuan bajo this November!
AWC

Attachment 3: General Guideline of Asia to World Statement II

General Guidelines

Sustainable, Clean and Sufficient Water for All

ASIA TO WORLD STATEMENT II

- Guideline to Draft the Statements

❑ **BACKGROUND**

In recognition that water is essential for the survival of all life and ecosystems, and acts as a cross-cutting factor to achieve Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development Goals and the global water-related targets, the 2nd Asia International Water Week seeks to revise and reform the Asia to World Statement that was previously established during the 1st AIWW dated September 2017, in Gyeong-ju, Republic of Korea.

The first Asia to World Statement underscored the basic concepts regarding on the importance of water and sustainability in general. Therefore, to reduce the ambiguity and elaborate sophisticated clauses in hopes of providing more insightful guidance when countries are establishing action plans, the Statement will incorporate the themes of the 2nd AIWW.

❑ **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Asia to World Statement II are as follows:

- **The Statement will be divided into three divisions** (ministerial, parliamentarian, and Asia water expert) and establish respective clauses; hence, suitable action plans can take place specific to each level and initiate cross-sectoral commitments to attain shared goals.

Date	Statement Divisions
16 March 2021	• Asia to World Statement II « **Water Expert Level** »
27 April 2021	• Asia to World Statement II « **Ministerial Level** »
27 May 2021	• Asia to World Statement II « **Parliamentarian Level** »

- **The Statement is affirmed in accordance with 6 main themes and 24 sub-themes of the 2nd AIWW**, which were carefully chosen to address the main and

timely water issues that Asia is currently going through.

- **The Statement aims primarily to provide an appropriate reference to fundamental values** that all countries should incorporate, and outline the roadmap for Asian countries to take into the consideration when establishing action plans towards sustainable and resilient water management.

❑ THEMES

No.	Main Themes	Sub-Themes
1	**Water for Sustainable Growth**	Catalyzing Integrated Water Policy
		Financing Water for Sustainable Growth
		Building Inclusive Water Systems
		Water Security in the Small Island Developing States (SIDS)
2	**Smart Water Solutions for IWRM**	Smart Water Solutions for Water Uses
		Smart Water Solutions for Water Environment
		Smart Water Solutions for Water-related Disasters
		Smart Water Solutions for IWRM
3	**Water and Climate Change**	Managing the Risks and Uncertainties
		Adapting Water Resources to Climate Change
		Climate Change and Water Infrastructure
		Natural Disasters and Climate Change
4	**Water-Energy-Food Nexus**	Livelihoods and the WEF Nexus
		Policy for Water Management based on WEF Nexus Approach
		Water Use Balance and Micro-Grid Nexus Application
		Progress in the Aral Sea Basin by Innovations and Nexus Approach
5	**Water and Ecosystems**	Catchment and Biodiversity Protection
		Managing Hydrology and Environmental Flows
		Nature-based Solutions for Resilient Human Settlements
		Delivering Ecosystem Services through Stakeholder Engagement and Water Quality Guidelines
6	**Knowledge, Dissemination and Innovation**	Management of Water-related Agenda and Information
		Development of a Knowledge Dissemination Approaches
		Urban Resilience (Big Data and Innovation)
		Knowledge and Information Sharing for Capacity Building in terms of Water Resources

Attachment 4: Draft of Asia to World Statement II: Parliamentarian Level

2nd Asia International Water Week

Asia to World Statement

Parliamentarian Declaration

"We will spare no efforts to implement this will and commitment for a world in which every single person has access to safe and clean water as human rights"

General Recognition

Recalling the United Nations General Assembly resolution (A/RES/64/292), explicitly recognizing "the right to safe and clean drinking-water and sanitation as a human right that is essential for the full enjoyment of life and all human rights", and the Human Rights Council resolution (A/HRC/RES/15/9) affirming this recognition and that the right is derived from the right to an adequate standard of living,

Recalling further the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (A/RES/70/1) which contains 17 aspirational goals (the Sustainable Development Goals or SDGs), including a goal dedicated to Water and Sanitation (SDG 6) entitled "Ensure Availability and Sustainable Management of Water and Sanitation for All", highlighting in this regard, water is a cross-cutting factor that is crucial for the achievement of all SDGs,

Recognizing United Nations' Resolution A/RES/71/222 'International Decade of Action, "Water for Sustainable Development" 2018-2028' on 21 December 2016, adopted by the General Assembly, by which it proclaimed that further efforts to achieve the sustainable development of water resources are needed, and therefore emphasized the greater need for countries to take active commitments on relevant issues,

Recognizing also the synergies between the 2030 Agenda, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, the Paris Agreement adopted by United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), and effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda (A/RES/71/256), adopted by the General Assembly on 23 December 2016, to address worthwhile discussions in respect to sustainable human settlements for all,

Having reviewed 'Asia and the Pacific SDG Progress Report 2020' published by Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), Asia has the largest global concentration of water-related risks, including water scarcity, floods, droughts, water pollution, and inadequate access to safe and clean water and sanitation services, and additionally rapid urbanization and population growth, intense industrial activities and climate change pose an additional threat to water security in Asia,

Affirming that Asia and Pacific, as one of the most dynamic, innovative, and fastest growing areas, plays fundamental role in achieving 2030 Agenda through mutual cooperation, accelerated efforts and active commitments,

Emphasizing that COVID-19 pandemic demonstrates the sustainable and equitable provision of clean water and sanitation services affordable to all is the key to global efforts towards strengthening and achieving global welfare,

Having adopted six main themes of the 2nd Asia International Water Week under the slogan of "Sustainable, Clean and Sufficient Water for All" – which are (1) Water for Sustainable Growth; (2) Smart Water Solutions for IWRM; (3) Water and Climate Change; (4) Water-Energy-Food Nexus; (5) Water and Ecosystems; and (6) Knowledge, Dissemination and Innovation – the second Asia to World Statement aims to enhance more thorough and realistic commitments from parliamentarians, ministers, and experts, and promote synergies to effectively tackle climate change and water crises,

Recognition: Ministerial Level

Recognizing High Level Panel on Water convened by United Nations Secretary-General and President of the World Bank Group in April 2016, consisting 11 sitting heads of State and Government and one Special Advisor, to provide a leadership in tackling the global water crisis, ensuring availability of water, and improving water management and sanitation services through inclusive and collaborative ways,

Appreciating the pledge to reach carbon neutrality by 2050, made by more than 110 countries including the Republic of Korea, the People's Republic of China, and Singapore, and every other commitment facilitated at national level to mitigate climate change and achieve 2030 Agenda,

Commitments

Theme 1: Water for Sustainable Growth	Promote international cooperation among parliamentarians dedicated to achieving **sustainable growth with water** and fulfilling a mandate to ensure that resources are used in the most effective way possible, to contribute to the increase of meaningful impacts that are in line with the SDGs;
Theme 2: Smart Water Solutions for IWRM	Ensure an adequate legal and institutional framework for suitable incentives to undertake new innovation and technological adoption in order to develop **Smart Water Solutions for Integrated Water Resources Management**
Theme 3: Water and Climate Change	Foster a legislative, budgetary and oversight role of parliaments in designing and implementing water-related policy and legislation towards a **climate-resilient future for generations to come,** particularly to meet the needs of those most affected by the impacts of climate change;
Theme 4: Water-Energy-Food Nexus	Provide a responsive, effective, accountable platform to share legal and institutional challenges, best practices and cooperation opportunities with respect to the implementation and adoption of **a multidisciplinary approach of the Water-Energy-Food Nexus** by exploring interdependencies, trade-offs, and synergies across and between relevant systems;
Theme 5: Water and Ecosystems	Integrate the values of **water-related ecosystems and biodiversity** into environmental policies and regulations to accelerate the transition to a sustainable world and ensure the delivery of the SDG 6 and all water-associated targets under a number of other SDGs;
Theme 6: Knowledge, Dissemination and Innovation	Facilitate the **knowledge dissemination and utilization of information and research for innovation** for effective water resources management required to drive optimum policies and institutional arrangement based on political consensus and advocacy;

Commitments: Future Action Plans

C7. *Suggests* all three divisions to routinely evaluate executed actions in compliance with the relevant statements, and make further analyses and effective implementations to fulfill the agreed commitments together through future activities with relevant stakeholders;

C8. *Decides* the final outcomes in relation to the second Asia to World Statements to be reviewed during the 3rd Asia International Water Week in 2024, China, and to revise the Statements based on derived results.

Agenda 11

Water Welfare Program

Agenda 11. Water Welfare Program

Purpose:

1. To introduce the plan for 2021 AAWC Water Welfare Program

Background:

2. During the 2nd AAWC Board Meeting last year, AAWC Water Welfare Program, previously called AAWC Water Aid Program, was approved to be officially proceeded from 2021 as AAWC's own development cooperation project with the objectives of supporting the common prosperity of all Asians through water-related legislative activities
3. Considering its financial conditions this year, however, we are planning to launch a pilot project in collaboration with the K-water to prove the viability of this program before substantial resources are committed.
4. The Secretariat will build an enhanced implementation approach with a clear scope, direction and objectives created for and confirmed during the pilot project and will call for proposals to member countries to officially begin this program.

Recommendation:

5. It is recommended that Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** the plan for a pilot project of 2021 AAWC Water Welfare Program

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Proposal from Cambodia

Attachment 1: Proposal from Cambodia

2021 Water Project Proposal

WATER PROJECT PROPOSAL

TITLE: DEVELOPMENT OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR WATER SECURITY IN KONGPISEY, CAMBODIA

FIELD: SELECT 1 (①STRATEGY&POLICY / ②IWRM&SWM / **③CLIMATE CHANGE** / ④ WATER-ENERGY-FOOD NEXUS / ⑤WATER FOR ECOSYSTEM / ⑥KNOWLEDGE BASE & DISSEMINATION)

1. Country and Target Region

   - Kampong Speu Province of Cambodia

2. Strategic Goal Relevant to the SDGs

   - Significant water security needs are listed below, according to the related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The needs are closely related: Developments in one respect will add to the benefits of several other developments.

   Clean Water and Sanitation (SDG 6)

   - Safe water - whether by piped network OR from orderly wells - is accessible to only a low percentage of the population in Kampong Speu Province. The majority of remote areas have no such access, and this situation affects people's health and life expectancy. Through this project, the securement of a clean and stable water supply in the Kampong Speu Province is expected to improve the health of local residents and contribute to economic growth.

3. Outcomes

   - Investigate land use status and its impact on water quality in Kampong Speu Province
   - Identify water use status, water supply, water demand by major sectors, etc. in the area
   - Examine the current status of water infrastructure required to manage water resources
   - Analyze hydrological data including rainfall, climate, river, stream, etc. and topographic and geological survey
   - Suggest long-term sustainable solutions to water problems in view of the above

4. Progress Markers

   - MOWRAM (Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology) of Cambodia explained the

necessity and seriousness of the project for Kampong Speu Province to the Asia Water Council, and requested for the establishment of a establish Master Plan. The results of the MP will be used as a guideline for the management of rivers, improvement of water supply problems, strengthening of future climate change resiliency and disaster alleviation in the Kampong Speu Province

5. Background and Needs Statement

1) Background

- Domestic water supply networks in the area are highly dependent on groundwater, and excessive groundwater withdrawal cannot be a sustainable supply of water source.
- In particular, during the rainy season (May-October), lack or improper wastewater treatment facilities and inadequate storage facilities have led to serious pollution of the receiving water (people in the area collect and store rainwater in buckets).
- Furthermore, extreme rainfall causes severe flood damage that affect the safety and livelihoods of residents every year and economic losses from the damages are quite significant.
- Major activities in the agriculture and livestock industries are severely affected by insufficient rainfall in the dry season (November-April).
- The existing water infrastructure is old and outdated and thus the cost of maintaining the facilities is high.
- Water-related facilities deteriorate due to environmental conditions such as clogging and blockage in water pipelines due to minerals like calcareous.

2) Needs Statement

- Develop reservoirs and small-scale dams for improved storage capacity to store water during seasons of high rainfall to meet demand for water
- Rehabilitate or replace aged infrastructure to ensure adequate and stable water supply with surface water
- Prepare an innovative milestone for Smart City based on sustainable water management through a healthy water supply system.

6. Key Stakeholders / Boundary Partners Targeted

- MOWRAM (Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology)
- PDWRAM (Provincial Department of Water Resources and Meteorology)
- Residents in Kampong Speu Province

7. Activity Proponent

- Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology (MOWRAM)

8. Activity Output / Benefits

- Improved quality of life for residents with adequate access to water supply
- Higher income for farmers through Increased agricultural productivity by ensuring sustainable and effective farmland use and sufficient water for agricultural use
- Better health and hygiene of residents with access to clean water and sanitation

9. Activity Components

1) Basic data survey and analysis of the current situation

- General information on the river basin
- Hydrological, meteorological and water quality facilities
- Current state of water supply and use management
- National legislation, institutions and organizations relating to water resources
- Information on damages due to drought and flooding
- Basic framework for establishing an integrated water management system

2) Establishment of follow-up projects plans

- Development of follow-up projects
- Assessment of follow-up project costs
- Analysis of follow-up project benefits

10. Implementation Arrangements

- Duration of work: 12 months
- Major administrative matters: two reporting meetings (initiation and final stages), one workshop (collection of expert opinions), and one public hearing
- Recipient Country and Recipient Institution: Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology (MOWRAM) Cambodia
- Follow-up business: Based on the projects and priorities suggested by the master plan, the project will be carried out in conjunction with subsequent projects such as feasibility study and basic design.

11. Budget Estimation and Plan (in USD)

Activity	Contents	Proposed Budget (USD)
Master Plan		60,000
	- Basic data survey and analysis of the current situation	30,000
	- Establishment of follow-up projects plans	30,000
Direct Expenses		40,000
	- Travel expenses	20,000
	- Report and meeting fees	5,000
	- Advisory fee	5,000
	- Print / Translation Fees	5,000
	- Overseas consignment Expenses	5,000
Total		100,000

12. Appropriate Funding Agencies for Implementing this Project

- ME (Ministry of Environment in Korea)
- KOICA

13. Liaison (Name, Title, Organization, E-mail, Phone No.)

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- Title: Deputy Director General
- Organization: Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology
- E-mail: huong_sunthan@yahoo.com
- Phone No.: +855-012-760-310

Agenda 12

9th World Water Forum

Agenda 12. 9th World Water Forum

Purpose:

1. To share information on the 9th World Water Forum, the largest international water-related event, which will be held in Sub-Saharan Africa in March 2022
2. To promote a major role of the AAWC in the parliamentarian process as part of the Forum

Background:

3. As discussed in the 2nd AAWC Board meeting, all Board members of the AAWC are invited to engage in the 9th World Water Forum's parliamentary process representing Asia's views and experiences.

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that the Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Note** the current procedure regarding planning and preparation for the 9th World Water Forum

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	Framework of the 9th World Water Forum
2	9th World Water Forum Main Themes

Attachment 1: Framework of the 9th World Water Forum

- The World Water Council is an international multi-stakeholder organization
- Founder and co-organizer of the World Water Forum
- 400 member organizations from over 50 countries classified in 5 Colleges
- Member-based governance
- Created in 1996
- Headquartered in Marseille, France

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

WHO WE ARE

The World Water Council's mission is to **mobilize action** on critical water issues at all levels, including the highest decision-making level, by **engaging people in debate** and **challenging conventional thinking**.

The Council focuses on the **political dimensions** of water **security**, **adaptation** and **sustainability**.

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

WHAT WE DO

→ CONDUCT ACTIVE HYDROPOLITICS

→ TACKLE EMERGING CHALLENGES

→ CO-ORGANIZE THE WORLD WATER FORUM

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

CHALLENGE THINKING & ENGAGE DEBATE WITH THE WORLD WATER FORUM

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

MOBILIZE ACTION & POLITICAL COMMITMENT

Active hydro-politics

- The United Nations system
- National Governments
- Parliaments
- Local Authorities

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

8th WORLD WATER FORUM
18-23 MARCH 2018

- ✓ First World Water Forum to take place in the Southern Hemisphere
- ✓ Main theme "Sharing Water"
- ✓ 5 processes:
  - Thematic
  - Regional
  - Political
  - Sustainability
  - Citizens' Forum
- ✓ Key Political outcomes

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

8th WORLD WATER FORUM
IN FIGURES

- ✓ Over 10,600 participants
- ✓ Over 109,000 visitors to the Citizen's Village
- ✓ 172 countries represented
- ✓ 12 Heads of State
- ✓ 56 Government Ministers and over 100 delegations
- ✓ 134 Parliamentarians
- ✓ 180 Local Authorities
- ✓ 83 judges and prosecutors
- ✓ Over 350 sessions and events
- ✓ More than 1,000 organizations
- ✓ Nearly 2,000 press professionals

TOGETHER WE MAKE WATER A GLOBAL PRIORITY

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

9th WORLD WATER FORUM
DAKAR, 2021

✓ 4 priority areas:
- Water security
- Water & rural development
- Cooperation
- Means and tools

✓ Dakar 2021 initiative.

WORLD WATER COUNCIL

9th WORLD WATER FORUM
DAKAR, 2021

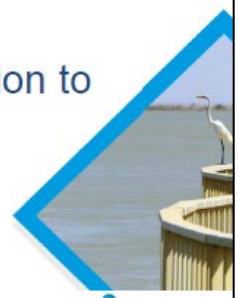
9TH WORLD WATER FORUM | DAKAR 2021

✓ First Forum in Sub-Saharan Africa

✓ 22-27 March 2021

✓ Overarching Theme :
"Water Security for Peace and development"

✓ Focus on strong political awareness and mobilization to take action on water management issues
- *Head of State Summit*
- *Keystone Roundtables*



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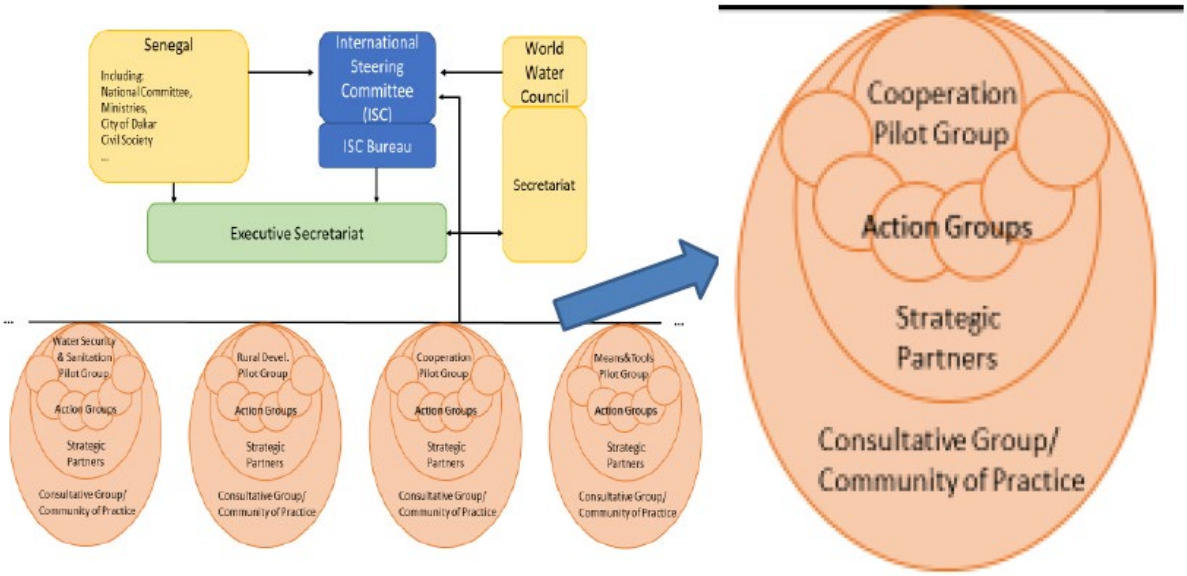
FORUM FRAMEWORK
FOUR MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PRIORITIES

FORUM FRAMEWORK
STRUCTURE OF WORKING GROUPS



9th WORLD WATER FORUM PRIORITY PILOT GROUPS

- The Forum's content development centered around each of the four priorities.
- Coordinate the work within each priority.
- Oversee the Action Groups contained within their priorities and guarantee quality, balance and respect of process.
- Responsible for the development of the Keystone Roundtables

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9th WORLD WATER FORUM FORUM ACTORS

1. Priority Pilot Groups
2. Action Groups
3. Strategic Partners
4. Consultative Groups

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STRATEGIC PARTNERS

- Participate at priority or action level
- Support specific activities through their commitment
- Various forms of support: financial, intellectual, logistical, coordination-oriented, in-kind

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ACTION GROUP

- Provide objectives, outcomes and concrete activities
- Actions in line with SDGs to feed into global monitoring processes
- Collaborate with other action groups, including with organizations outside the water box

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CONSULTATIVE GROUP

- Formed through an open call
- Act as a broader community of practice encompassing a variety of stakeholders
- Aligned with the Action Groups
- Solicited to:
    - React and comment
    - Be involved in various activities
    - Respond to surveys

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Attachment 2: 9th World Water Forum Main Themes

1.	**Water Security and Sanitation** • ***Pilot Group:*** *Asia Water Council, K-water* • ***Action Group:*** *IWRA (I.B), IWRA (1.F)*
1.A	Implement the Right to Water and Sanitation and provide access to safe water and sanitation in emergency situations
1.B	Improve water quality and waste management
1.C	Reduce water-related illness and deaths
1.D	Protect and restore ecosystems and forests, including coastal and marine impacts, and combat desertification
1.E	Halt the loss of aquatic biodiversity and invasive species in water ecosystems
1.F	Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to climate change and natural disasters
2.	**Rural Development** • ***Pilot Group:*** *UNFAO* • ***Action Group:*** *UNFAO (2.F)*
2.A	Ensure universal access to water (in rural areas)
2.B	Ensure universal access to sanitation and hygiene (in rural areas)
2.C	Provide public water, sanitation and hygiene facilities (schools, healthcare facilities, etc.)
2.D	Ensure sustainable agricultural practices, including water productivity and efficiency, reduction of diffuse pollution, and decreased food losses
2.E	Engage and empower rural communities to be the drivers of social-economic development through water
2.F	Harmonize the rural-urban divide to curb migration
3.	**Cooperation** • ***Pilot Group:*** *Korea Water Forum* • ***Action Group:*** *MRC Secretariat, UNESCO IHP (3.B), UNESCO i-WSSM (3.C)*
3.A	Implement IWRM at all levels
3.B	Implement transboundary cooperation to foster peace and prevent conflicts
3.C	Expand international cooperation, including ODA, and capacity building to

	foster peace
3.D	Enhance cooperation on multipurpose infrastructure, including hydropower
3.E	Enhance North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation on data and information sharing, and capacity building
3.F	Enhance multi-stakeholder dialogue and partnerships, including with outside sectors
4.	**Means & Tools** • ***Pilot Group:*** *Ministry of Environment of Korea, OECD, UNESCO IHP* • ***Action Group:***
4.A	Mobilize additional financial resources and promote innovative funding: World Banking scholar j
4.B	Implement the principles of good water governance, including participatory decision-making
4.C	Foster a water-sensitive approach to legislation and regulation
4.D	Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels and promote integrity
4.E	Increase water efficiency and sustainable management through science, technology, innovation and education

Agenda 13

4th Board Meeting

Agenda 13. 4th Board Meeting

Purpose:

1. To propose the venue and date of the 4th Board meeting in 2021

Background:

2. According to the Article 10 of the Constitution, the Board meets at least once a year. The date and venue of the Board Meeting shall be decided at the previous Board Meeting.
3. Date: 3 ~ 6 November 2021 (TBC)
   Venue: at the 2nd AIWW, Labuan Bajo, Indonesia

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that the Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** that the exact date and venue for the 4th Board Meeting will be informed by the Secretariat in written format as soon as it is confirmed

Agenda 14

MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU

Agenda 14. MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU

Purpose:

1. To obtain approval for the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding among the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Korea (MoE), Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), AAWC and Asia Water Council (AWC) on our comprehensive partnership for strategic engagements

Background:

2. AAWC has continued a close cooperation with the MoE and AWC in order to achieve water welfare in Asia through water-related cooperative activities such as Water Project, Water Welfare Program, etc.
3. In order to enhance capacity for the implementation of the projects, President Byun and Treasurer Lim suggested to build an inter-institutional cooperation with KOICA that is responsible for Korea's ODA for developing countries by implementing the government's grant aid and technical cooperation programs.

Recommendation:

4. It is recommended that the Board Members of the AAWC:
   a. **Approve** the signing of the MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU

Attachments:

No.	Title
1	MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU

Attachment 1: MoE-KOICA-AAWC-AWC MoU

MEMORANCUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into 12 May, 2021 ("Effective Date"), by and between: Ministry of Environment, the Republic of Korea ("MoE"), Korea International Cooperation Agency ("KOICA"), Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board ("AAWC"), and Asia Water Council ("AWC"); as the necessity for a cooperation on climate actions, sustainable water security, and improvement on the global water welfare is recognized.

MoE, KOICA, AAWC, and AWC are each referred to as "Party" and collectively as "Parties" hereinafter.

1. Purpose

This MOU is intended to establish terms and conditions in promoting cooperation between the Parties when effectively practicing collaborative projects for Asia water issue resolutions and improving the global water welfare.

2. Responsibilities and Scope

It is mutually agreed upon and understood among the Parties to cooperate on the following forms identified hereunder within such fields as are acceptable for each Party. Supplementary terms for concrete and detailed processes of individual projects are to be discussed and agreed separately.

1) Establish cooperative system for efficient implementation of international development collaborations in the water sector, and the Parties are to be committed actively in resolving Asia water issues.
2) Cooperate on activities propelled by each Party to improve water welfare in Asian countries, such as, but not limited to, supporting policy implementations, governmental support on collaborative projects between nations, enhancement of cooperation and understandings among stakeholders in Asia's water sector.
3) Enhance domestic and foreign networks for the development cooperation and share relevant information between the Parties.
4) Implement, examine and monitor cooperative development projects in the water sector.
5) Utilize the Parties' facilities, such as, but not limited to, conference halls, lecture rooms, and accommodations, when conducted actions in accordance to the agreed terms require such use of the space.
6) Fulfill other activities when cooperation is requested and acknowledged to be necessary.

3. Consultative Body

A consultative body will be formed with each Party acting as an executive to fulfill responsibilities specified in Section 2 effectively and compromise detailed procedures respectively. Managerial principles of the consultative body are to be determined through mutual agreements between the Parties.

4. Principle of Good Faith

The Parties hereto agree to faithfully cooperate to fulfill the purpose of this MOU in the spirit of mutual goodwill and trust.

5. Costs

Each Party shall bear its own costs in relation to the performance of their respective responsibilities under this MOU.

6. Confidentiality

During the term of this MOU and for so long as such information remains confidential, the Parties agree that no Party hereto may use, disclose and/or release, any of disclosing Party's information which was disclosed pursuant to activities in connection with this MOU, to any third party without the prior written consent of such disclosing Party.

7. Supplementary Arrangements

Specific arrangements for collaborative projects arising from this MOU can be provided for the Parties in supplementary agreements separate from this MOU. Such agreements may specify the forms on areas of cooperation, methods of cooperation, procedures, responsibilities of each Party, and such additional terms and conditions as the Parties may mutually agree.

8. Term

This MOU shall become effective as of the Effective Date and remain in force for a period of two years, and can be renewed with one month prior written notice. In witness whereof, the Parties have caused four copies of this MOU to be executed and affixed with their names and seals, each of which shall be kept individually by the Parties.

9. Non-Binding Nature

This MOU is legally non-binding and does not create legal rights of obligations on the part of either Party.

12 May 2021

Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea	Korea International Cooperation Agency	Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board	Asia Water Council
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Agenda 15

Any Other Business

Agenda 15. Any Other Business

Purpose:

1. To invite the Board Members to discuss any other business matters that might be brought to its attention