



*APMEN Annual General Meeting, 4 December 2017, Myanmar*

**Summary of 2017 July APMEN Vector  
Control Working Group (VCWG) meeting,  
Bangkok**

**The objective of the annual VCWG meeting is to provide a forum for collaboration, knowledge exchange, showcasing lessons learned, and sharing of ideas for future activities**

## **Key Topics covered**

### **A) CAPACITY STRENGTHENING**

- **WHO position in VC activities across APMEN countries**
- **Network-to-network info sharing & increasing capacity for VC in APMEN countries**

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## B) TECHNICAL ISSUES AND CURRENT RESEARCH

- Insecticide resistance, VC and entomology control in elimination and burden settings
- Current research and APMEN VCWG research agenda
- Industry, new tools, and innovation

## C) VCWG ORGANISATION

- Update/ review of Mekong Outdoor Malaria Transmission Network
- APMEN VCWG concept proposals

# Recommendations for **APMEN** & APMLA

## A) ENCOURAGE POLITICAL COMMITMENT FOR INVESTMENT IN ENTOMOLOGY AND EFFECTIVE VC FOR MALARIA ELIMINATION ACROSS THE ASIA PACIFIC REGION

- **Showcase 'success stories' of government supported VC programmes in the region**
- **Promote and invest in strategies that target high risk groups, where transmission is high and coverage low**
- **Advocate for increased investment in entomological surveillance activities relevant to each country setting**

# Recommendations for APMLA

## B) PROMOTE GREATER DIALOGUE RE. GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY IN THE REGION

- Advocate for a sustained IVM approach to support regional health security against emerging/re-emerging vector borne diseases
- Engage in intersectoral collaborations (eg. Ministry of Defence) through 'global security' lens to promote and extend VC activities

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## C) ADVOCATE FOR IMPROVING ACCESS TO RELEVANT VECTOR CONTROL TOOLS IN THE REGION

### i) REGISTRATION

- address bottlenecks for product registration
- support harmonisation of national regulatory processes
- support key partners

### ii) INNOVATION

- **advocate for better adapted VC tools**
- **advocate for R&D of adapted VC tools**