

Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission

2021 Member Survey

Purpose

The results of this survey will be used to strengthen the APPPC Strategic Plan 2022-2026. The results will be collated for further discussion at the next APPPC meeting. The questions in this survey have been designed to explore specific subject areas of importance to the work of the APPPC. They not only provide an evaluation of past and present work but also provide guidance on the future direction of the Commission.

Contents

This survey explores subject matter of importance to the APPPC and its future work programme.

The questions are organised around six key themes:

- Section 1. The development of measures for plant protection
- Section 2. Sharing pest management information
- Section 3. Capacity development including the coordination and training of staff
- Section 4. Input into international systems
- Section 5. The effective operation of the regional system
- Section 6. General questions

Instructions

Please note you can complete this survey as an individual country or at a sub-region level if that is more appropriate.

You may consider consulting other parts of your organisation or other government departments for some part of the survey if the areas are out of your responsibility.

For the survey to provide meaningful direction for the APPPC Strategic Plan, we would ask for your constructive and considered comments on how the work could be done and the extra subjects that could be considered for future work.

There are two types of question in this survey:

CLOSE-ENDED: Type an 'X' in the appropriate box

OPEN-ENDED: Type your answer in the box

Question 2.2	Yes	No	Unsure	
Will your country share new introduced pest distribution surveillance information with other APPPC members?	X			<p>If yes, what would you share?</p> <p>If no, would you be able to explain what the reasons for not sharing? E.g. national policy, lack of resources, lack of training.</p> <p>Please type answer here.</p>

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Section 1. The development of measures for plant protection

Question 1.1	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	Please explain why your country feels this way about RSPMs?
How much does your country agree or disagree with the following statement? <i>Our efforts as a region to produce RSPMs are worthwhile.</i>						→ Please type your reasons here.

Question 1.2	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which pests, measures, phytosanitary procedures, or other plant protection activities are you open to leading? If no, why is your country unable to lead an RSPM at this time?
Is your country prepared to lead the development of an RSPM on pests or measures? e.g. FAW, Cassava Mosaic virus, <i>Fusarium</i> TR4, wheat blast, the marmorated stink bug, <i>Xylella fastidius</i> , or others.				→ Please type the areas here.

Question 1.3	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which commodity or commodities? If no, what are the reasons for not wanting to develop commodity RSPMs?
Does your country want to continue to develop commodity specific RSPMs?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 1.4	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which phytosanitary treatments?
Is your country developing any phytosanitary treatments for bi-lateral, regional, or international approval?				→ Please list the treatments here.

Question 1.5	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which eradication systems?
The Commission has been promoting action to eradicate recent introductions. Is your county able to use area, provincial, national, regional, or international eradication systems for pests?				→ Please list examples here.

Question 1.6	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, should this be with the IPPC and if so, how would this best work? If no, what are the reasons for not working with the IPPC?
Does your country want to support the development of an action plan by the Commission for the reduction/mitigation of climate change impacts on plant health?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 1.7 – Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the development of measures for plant protection?
Please list examples here.

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Section 2. Sharing pest management information

Question 2.1	Yes	No	Unsure	→ If no, could you please explain why not? Please type your answer here.		
Would your country be prepared to share pest alert data with the region – as with IPPC reporting? e.g. new incursions/outbreaks						
Question 2.2	Yes	No	Unsure	→ If yes, what would you share? If no, would you be able to explain what the reasons for not sharing? E.g. national policy, lack of resources, lack of training. Please type answer here.		
Will your country share new introduced pest distribution surveillance information with other APPPC members?	X					
Question 2.3	Yes	No	Unsure	→ If no, what information about a new introduction could you share? Please type answer here.		
Will your country share ongoing changes in pest distribution with other APPPC members?						
Question 2.4	Yes	No	Unsure	→ If yes, what information would you share? If no, would you be able to explain what the reasons for not sharing? E.g. national policy, lack of resources, lack of training. Please type answer here.		
Will your country share seasonal pest distribution surveillance information with other APPPC members? e.g. information on seasonal outbreaks that might affect your neighbours.						
Question 2.5	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	→ If you disagree or strongly disagree, could you explain why you think it not be worthwhile? Please type your reasons here.
How much does your country agree or disagree with the following statement? <i>Setting up a regional pest alert system would be worthwhile.</i>						

Question 2.6	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, which area would you be interested in working on and how would you prefer to do this?</p> <p>If no, could you please explain why not?</p>
Is your country interested in working on the management of e-commerce and courier mail pathways to avoid pest introduction?				→ Please type your answer here.
Question 2.7	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, please explain how you could help? e.g. does your country have any particular areas of expertise</p>
Would your country be prepared to work collaboratively to develop a regional diagnostic network?				→ Please list examples here.
Question 2.8	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, please explain the areas this should cover.</p> <p>If no, please tell us the reasons why you don't need this information at this time.</p>
Would you like the APPPC to develop common information sharing protocols for the region? Common information sharing protocols might cover e.g. new introductions, distribution of new pests, outbreaks, new regulations, new treatments, new plant health programmes.				→ Please list examples here.
Question 2.9	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, what information would you be prepared to share and how often?</p> <p>If no, please tell us the reasons why you would prefer not to share this information at this time.</p>
Would you be prepared to share your pesticide management information with APPPC members? e.g. national targets, list of banned/prohibited pesticides, status of management of obsolete pesticides				→ Please list examples here.

Question 2.10 – Do you have any comments or suggestions about sharing pest management information?

Please list examples here.

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Section 3. Capacity development including the coordination and training of staff

Question 3.1 Are there new or emerging pests which your country believes should be the subject of a major APPPC training programme?	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which pests do you think warrant attention? → Please type proposed pest(s) here.
Question 3.2 Are there pest outbreak programmes that your country would like to see the Commission run training programmes for?	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which programmes? → Please type answer here.
Question 3.3 What areas would your country like to have support in for capacity development? For example, ePhyto, diagnostic, surveillance, inspection, or something else.	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which areas of capacity development require support? → Please type your answer here.
Question 3.4 What topics on IPM would your country like to be considered by the Commission? For example, using drones, bio-control, or something else.	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which topics should be considered? Please put your topics in order of priority. → Please type your answer here.
Question 3.5 What topics on pesticide management training would your country like to be considered by the Commission? For example, pesticide risk reduction, phasing out highly hazardous pesticides.	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which topics should be considered? Please put your topics in order of priority. → Please type your answer here.
Question 3.6 – Do you have any comments or suggestions about capacity development, including the areas of interests, and coordination and training of staff? Please write response here.				

Section 4. Input into international systems

Question 4.1	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, any improvement should be made? If no, why do you think this should be discontinued?
Is your country content to continue the present country and regional input into ISPM development? e.g. ISPM regional workshops				→ Please type your answer here.
Question 4.2	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which development agenda item(s) can you contribute to and how can you contribute (staff, financial)? Please rank the development agenda items in order of priority.
Is your country willing to participate or contribute (e.g. staff, financial) to the implementation of the development agenda items in the IPPC strategic framework 2020-2030 ?				→ Please type your answer here.
Question 4.3	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, where should the scope be widened?
Is your country interested in widening the scope of the regional workshops? E.g. scientific session, training session, discussion with another RPPO, introductory session with an IPPC Secretariat member or Focus Group chairperson, introduction to an associated international organization.				→ Please type answer here.
Question 4.4	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, please note your suggestions below.
Does your country want the Commission to extend their input into the other international treaties or organisations on a regional basis (e.g. CBD, WCO, IMO, IPCC, WTO SPS, etc)?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 4.5	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, please tell us the areas you can support below.</p> <p>If you don't currently have the capacity, would you like some training on participating in IPPC? Any specific areas you would like training on?</p>
<p>Do you have the resources or capacity to provide experts and/or materials to support the IPPC core activities? For example, SC, IC, expert working groups, technical panels, focus groups, etc.</p>				<p>→ Please type your answer here.</p>

Question 4.6 – Do you have any comments or suggestions about input into international systems?
<p>Please write response here.</p>

Section 5. The effective operation of the regional system

Question 5.1	Yes	No	→ If no, could you please explain why you are not contributing? Please type your answer here.
Under the Plant Protection Agreement, it is a member's obligation to financially contribute to the APPPC. Does your country contribute to the Commission financial system?			

Question 5.2	Yes	No	→ If you <u>do not</u> use the ePhyto system: Do you need help to use the ePhyto system?	Yes	No	Unsure
Does your country use the ePhyto system?						

If Yes for Question 5.2	Yes	No
Do you have a national system?		

What system do you use? e.g. Hub, GeNS	Type system here
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If you <u>need help</u> to use the ePhyto system:		
What type of support (technical, training) would you require?	Please type your answer here.	

Question 5.3	Yes	No	→ If no: Would your country like to start the procedures to do so?	Yes	No	Unsure
Did your country accept the 1999 amendments to the Plant Protection Agreement?						

If yes, do you need support and what type of support do you need? E.g. FAO legal section assistance		
If no, please explain why your country is taking this position?		
Please type your answer here.		

Question 5.4	Yes	No	
Does your country use 3rd party entities to perform phytosanitary actions (e.g. for inspection)?			

→ Please type your answer here.

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<p>If no, could you please explain why not?</p> <p>Please type your answer here.</p>
<p>If this is because of the lack of appropriate legislation, do you think your country will institute legislation that will allow this?</p> <p>Please type your answer here.</p>

Question 5.5	Yes	No	Unsure
Would your country like to see more sharing of information via profiles and digital systems – e.g. with the harmonization of electronic data exchange i.e. ePhyto?			

→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.6	Yes	No	Unsure
Would your country like to see more sharing of information on pest reporting?			

→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.7	Yes	No	Unsure
Would your country like to see more sharing of information on pest alert and outbreak?			

→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.8	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, how should we best link to the current international/regional/national pest surveillance programmes?</p> <p>If no, could you please explain why you think this is not required?</p>
Would your country like to see more sharing of information on pest surveillance?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.9	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, what areas should this focus on and how would it work?</p> <p>If no, could you please explain why not?</p>
Would your country like to see greater use made of the sub-Commissions of the Commission as allowed for in the 1999 amendments to the Agreement to deal with programmes or projects limited to a specific geographic area (e.g. to deal with emerging pests) if this was limited to a geographic area?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.10	Yes	No	Unsure	<p>If yes, what firms or commercially representative organisations might be suitable?</p> <p>If no, could you please explain why not?</p>
Would your country like to see commercial businesses, or organisations representing them participate in Commission sessions, regional workshops and expert working groups?				→ Please type your answer here.

Question 5.11 – Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the effective operation of the regional system?				
Please write response here.				

Section 6. General questions

These questions ask you to consider the APPPC in more general terms than previous sections.

Question 6.1	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, please rank them from highest to lowest priority. If no, what priority/priorities should be deleted, and what new priorities should be added?			
Do you think Sections 1 to 5 of this survey are the right priorities for the APPPC to address for the next 5 years?							
Question 6.2	Yes	No	Unsure	Please tell us the reason for your answer.			
Do you think the APPPC is a useful organisation if you are a member?							
Question 6.3							
How could we improve the APPPC to be more useful for your country?				Please type your answer here			
Question 6.4	Yes	No	Unsure	Please tell us the reason for your answer.			
Would you recommend your country join the APPPC if you were not already a member?							
Question 6.5	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Why were you satisfied or dissatisfied?	
How satisfied are you with each of the following?							
The Secretariat							Please type your answer here
The Standing Committees (Plant Quarantine, IPM, Pesticide Management)							Please type your answer here
The Standards Committee							Please type your answer here
APPPC processes						Please type your answer here	

Question 6.5 How satisfied are you with each of the following?	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Why were you satisfied or dissatisfied?
The APPPC						→ Please type your answer here

Question 6.6	Yes	No	Unsure	If no, what other type of committee or panel do you think the APPPC needs?
Do we need to create new committees or panels to support the APPPC's work? e.g. formalise the current Working Group as a Secretary Advisory Committee to support the Secretariat including two members from each sub-region.				→ Please type your answer here

Question 6.7	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, where in the APPPC is the extra effort required?
Should APPPC members put more effort into supporting the APPPC?				→ Please type your answer here

Question 6.8	Yes	No	Unsure	If yes, which regional meetings and international organisations and why? If not, please tell us why not.
Do you think it would be useful to have other international organisations (e.g. WTO SPS Committee, APEC, regional CBD) participating in regional meetings?				→ Please type your answer here

Thank you for completing our survey

Please complete the survey using the IPPC Online Commenting System.