



## What is WEPA?

***WEPA : Water Environment Partnership in Asia***

- The Japanese Ministry of the Environment proposed the initiative at the 3rd World Water Forum in March 2003.
- Registered in the “Portfolio of Water Actions” (PWA), an outcome of the ministerial conference of WWF3. The initiative is registered as a regional action in CSD- WAND (CSD Water Action Network Database)
- WEPA started in April 2004 and will finish in March 2009.

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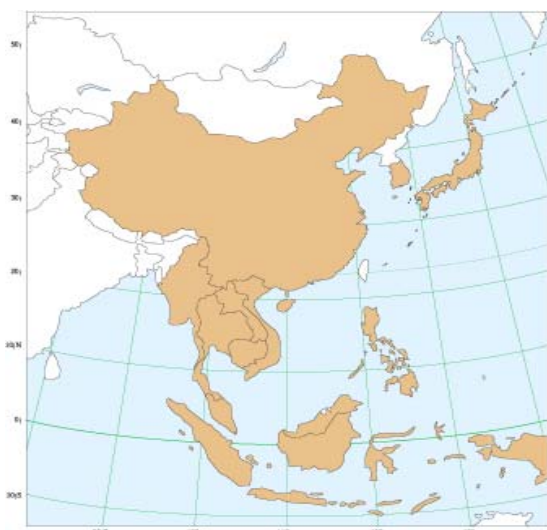
## Objectives of WEPA

- To strengthen governance and management capabilities on the water environment;
- To contribute to the human resource development;
- To share data/information, knowledge, and experiences among WEPA countries through WEPA Database.

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## Partnership of 11 Asian countries



### WEPA Partners

**Cambodia**  
**China**  
**Indonesia**  
**Japan**  
**Lao PDR**  
**Malaysia**  
**Myanmar**  
**Philippines**  
**Republic of Korea**  
**Thailand**  
**Viet Nam**

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# WEPA Database launched in March 2006

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**WEPA**  
Water Environment Partnership in Asia  
The database will be available from 2006.

"Water Environment Partnership in Asia (WEPA)" aims to promote good governance in water environment management by providing necessary information and knowledge of water environment management in the region through databases.

**News**

- October 12, 2005: The Second WEPA Working Meeting for Policy Related Information Database is held in Tokyo, Japan on October 12-13, 2005.
- June 16, 2005: The First Working Meeting of WEPA Technologies for Water Environment Conservation Database is held in Tokyo, Japan on June 16-17, 2005.
- April 2005: The WEPA homepage is partly published on the internet.
- January 24, 2005: The First International Workshop of the WEPA is held in Tokyo, Japan on January 24-25, 2005.

**POLICES** **TECHNOLOGIES** **NGOs & CBOs** **SOURCES**

The state of water environmental issues and water environmental policies.

Water environment conservation technologies and systems.

Information about activities by NGOs and CBOs, and governmental activities on education and awareness raising.

Access to various information sources about water environment.

<http://www.wepa-db.net/>

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## Principles of WEPA database development

- Primary target users: Government officials and aid-agency staff

- Provision of original information through cooperative work between countries

- Effective utilisation of existing databases

# 4 categories of information in the WEPA DB

## 4 databases



## WEPA - benefits

- Re-evaluation of policy responses during the information gathering and reconstruction for the database.
- Promotion of information exchange with other countries, which will be useful for policy making
- Development of networks among domestic institutions and overseas organizations, which will be promoted further to acquire more useful information
- Enhancement of capacity of the staff in charge through collaborative work through WEPA activities, such as database development, international forum, and dialogue.

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## Objectives of the dialogue

WEPA dialogue is one of the key activities of WEPA to

- (1) to exchange views on water environment management between Cambodia and Japan;
- (2) to enhance WEPA database contents with information to be presented at the dialogue.

**Presentation made at this dialogue will be uploaded to the WEPA database and also will be good information for the fact sheet of the WEPA partner countries on the water environment management which will be produced under WEPA.**



## Please provide your information to us!

- **Please provide information for the WEPA database.**
- **To provide the information on water environment in Cambodia**

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***Thank You !***

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