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▪ By the authority vested upon the Minister of Health, the MoH authorized the Food and Drug Department (FDD) to organize a consultative meeting on the transposition of the ACD into the national legislation with the MoH as the venue.

▪ With the consultative meeting was the formation of the TPG consisting of 13 members from:

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| 1. FDD – 3 | 2. MOT (MoC) – 1 | 3. STEA -1 |
| 4. MOIH – 1 | 5. Customs | 6. Justice-1 |
| 7. MOH Cabinet 2 | 9. FDQCC-1 | 10. Private Sectors-2 |

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The Decision of the Ministry of Health No. 151/MoH directs that after the completion of the work of the TPG and the finalization of the draft, the FDD shall report to the MoH and other relevant stakeholders.

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▪ The TPG constitute the network of the MoH as the regulatory agency of cosmetics vested by law with the authority to issue regulations governing cosmetics.

▪ To prepare the TPG for the process of transposing the ACD into the country's national legislation, the following activities were undertaken in the past 4 days.

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Comparison Table

- The APRIS EU assistance has introduced and trained the FDD local expert to use Comparison Tables, with the help of the computer software called DirlaB
- This DirlaB software enables the user to prepare a systematic approach to set up comparison tables between the ACD and the existing legislation; and between ACD and the draft transposed national regulation(s).

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Loading of the ACD

- As part of the transposition process, the ACD was translated into the national language.
- The translated ACD (the ACD in Lao language) was then loaded into the DirlaB software and set up the reference for transposition.
- After loading the ACD, the main requirements of the ACD were labeled; and the provisions of the ACD were given description in national language.

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TPG Proposed Agenda

This brings us to the proposed agenda of TPG:

1. The installation of the TPG by the Authority or Officer responsible for the TPG that will define the Terms of Reference of the group.
2. The nomination of the Chairperson/President of the TPG, the transposer and the secretariat

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3. Schedule of meetings (4)

4. Deadline of submission of transposed draft legislation to the FDD

5. Dissemination of the ACD – Laos and other documents to TPG members

6. Discussion and resolution on the legal impact reports

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7. Comment, discussion and resolution whether transition provisions are needed

8. Coordination of the TPG members

9. Decision on transposition

- conformity with ACD assessment
- PMS/SE (Post market surveillance/Safety Evaluation)
- enforcement: sanctions and penalties

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10. Assign the drafting and drafting of the transposed regulations

11. Review the draft (provision per provision)

12. Approval for submission of the draft for audit

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Road map

No	Activities	Date
1	Continuing to TPG meeting	June, 2006
2	Submit to steering committee , MoH	July, 2006
3	Submit to Ministry of Health to Approval	August, 2006

Thank you