Transboundary Dialogue

Joint Actions, Joint Solutions

Transboundary dialogue between the Mekong’s riparian countries can help reduce tension and increase cooperation across borders for better management of the shared water resources.

Through five bilateral initiatives, the MRC’s four member countries – Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand, and Viet Nam – are now strengthening dialogue to promote the region’s integrated water resources management practices at the sub-basin level.

Working together on fisheries, wetland, delta, lake and river basin management, the member countries build a common understanding of key cross-border issues, negotiate durable solutions, and share best practices from the counterparts’ experiences.

The bilateral initiatives are part of the Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management Project, funded by the World Bank and technically supported by the MRC Secretariat. All are expected to be completed in 2018.

Five Transboundary Projects

1. Xe Bang Hieng – Nam Kam Wetlands
2. Mekong – Sekong Fisheries
3. Sesan – Srepok Rivers
4. Mekong Delta
5. Tonle Sap – Songkhla Lake

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