

S3 Table. Villagers interview matrix.

Social representations of vulnerability to water contaminations during floods and coping strategies.

Luang Prabang District, Laos.

Main objectives of the interview grid:

- Evaluate and create a hierarchy of perceived environmental risks inside the village and in the fields
- Collect qualitative information to determine how villagers feel vulnerable to the risk of water related disease, and which coping strategies adopted.

Themes/ Objectives	Questions
<p><u>Occupation of the respondent</u></p> <p>Objectives :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Evaluate the socio-economic level of the interviewee 2) Evaluate his he/she has a position in the village 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How old are you? - How many children do you have? Do they still live in your house ? Do they work? - How long have you been living in the village for? Are you a newcomer? Why did you move here ? - Can you go easily in Luang Prabang or in other villages ? In which villages do you go, and why? (family, work...). Which way of transport do you use ? - Do you stand for a special position in the village ? If yes, why do you have this position? (age, wealth, gender, job...)
<p><u>Water uses and practices inside and outside the village</u></p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Get indications on the possible moments and places of exposition to contaminations 2) Contextualize the feelings of vulnerability according to spatial criterion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>In the village</u> - Where are the important places in the village ? - Are all the water good to drink here? - What kind of water do you use, in the rainy season / In the dry season? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o To drink o To cook o To wash (dishes, clothes...) o To take a shower o For your animals - Do you have water in your house (= nam lin) ? Since when ? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Is it expensive ? o Is it working well ? - Is there a place where it is more dangerous to get sick because of water ? - Do you go to the river sometimes ? What for? Is there somewhere where it's polluted ? How do you know it's polluted ? - <u>In the Fields</u> - What do you grow? why ? (subsistence/cash crops) - Do you think that your surrounding environment has changed in the last years? Why ? Advantages ? Inconvenients ? - Who comes and work with you when you are in the fields ? - What kind of difficulties do you face in your daily work? - Are there any special risks regarding your farming activity? If yes,

	<p>how do you cope with it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the fields, what kind of water do you use? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o For irrigation/Animals o For Cooking o For Drinking - How do you make a difference between which water is good to drink and which is not ?
<p><u>Water as an environmental risk</u></p> <p>Objectives :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Evaluate the capacity of anticipation of risks: shortages or floods 2) Evaluate the feeling of vulnerability towards floods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is there water all year long? - What do you do if there is a shortage? (cooking? Washing? Shower? Animals?) - How do you protect yourself and your family? - Are there floods sometimes? - What do you do if there is a shortage? (cooking? Washing? Shower? Animals?) - How do you protect yourself and your family? - How big is the river when it's « normal » ? When it's dry ? Flooded ? - What is the impact of floods on your fields ?
<p><u>Water contaminations and health risks</u></p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Understand how water related diseases are perceived 2) Evaluate what are the health practices used to protect from important diseases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are the people in your family often sick ? - How did you get cured ? (traditional healer, pharmacy, hospital?) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Is it expensive? Are you sometimes reluctant to go there because of money ? o Where can you buy medicines ? o in the village? o In the market? o In Luang Prabang? - Do you always go buy your medicine at the same place? Why? - Why are you getting sick ? (mosquitoes, water, air, meat...) - When are those diseases dangerous ? - How can you protect yourself ? - If someone is getting sick in the village, who can take care of him/her ? - Is it easy to find people to help you in the village? - Are you sometimes sick because of water? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Which water? (cooking, cleaning, shower, drinking)... o Where? (house/village/fields...) o Which ^period of year? - How can you protect yourself in order not to be sick because of water? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o What can you do when you are sick?