



ExCo Update



FAOPMA Regional Update to Country Member Associations

By FAOPMA President - Mr Raju Parulkar

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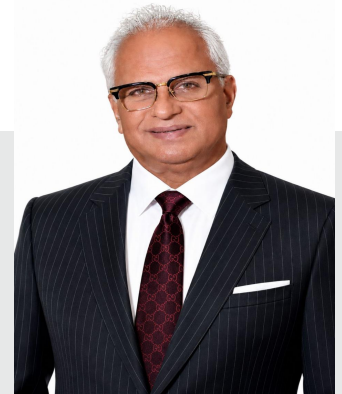
Dear Country Member Association Friends,
Greetings from FAOPMA.

Our Country associations play a central role in FAOPMA, and we value your ongoing support and involvement.

Over the past period, the ExCo has focused on strengthening collaboration across member associations, improving regional communication, and addressing key industry challenges. A number of productive discussions have taken place around capacity building, knowledge sharing, and aligning our shared priorities for sustainable growth.

Key areas of work have included improving communication channels, planning upcoming events and training programs, and reinforcing partnerships across member countries. We have also taken steps to increase member engagement and improve coordination across FAOPMA activities.

We remain committed to transparency and progress, and we appreciate the inputs and support provided by members. As part of the Communication Task Force, this update outlines the key activities, discussions, and decisions progressed by the ExCo since the Penang 2025 Pest Summit.



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The Federation of Asian and Oceania Pest Managers’ Associations is the peak regional body representing pest management associations across Asia and Oceania. Established to promote collaboration, professionalism, education, and industry advancement,

FAOPMA works closely with member associations, industry leaders, regulators, and international partners to strengthen standards and support sustainable pest management practices across the region.

Through conferences, training programs, technical initiatives, and regional engagement, FAOPMA provides a platform for knowledge sharing, innovation, and cooperation within the global pest management industry.

FAOPMA Pest Summit Malaysia 2025.

The FAOPMA Pest Summit, hosted by the Malaysia Pest Management Association (MPMA), was held over three days at the St Giles Wembley Hotel in Penang. More than 1,300 delegates from 20 countries attended, supported by 48 exhibition booths and a strong line-up of local and international speakers.

The event was officially opened by Penang State Executive Councillor for Tourism and Creative Economy, YB Wong Hon Wai, alongside Penang City Council Mayor Dato A. Rajendran. Delegates were welcomed by Organising Chairman Belvin Lee, MPMA President Regine Lim, and the organising committee.

In his address, YB Wong highlighted the role of pest management in supporting public health, food safety, and tourism standards. He emphasised that effective pest management is not only a regulatory requirement but also a key contributor to maintaining high standards across the state.

Under the theme “Evolution of Pest Management,” the summit explored innovation, sustainability, technology, public health and preventative approaches shaping the future of the industry.

The Gala Dinner, held as a masquerade-themed event, was a key networking and social highlight.



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Brief membership update from 2024 till now

3 new country members have been approved as members: Vietnam, Nepal & APJIPMI from Indonesia.

Engagement with Corporate Members.

FAOPMA values the contribution of corporate members and the role they play in shaping industry direction.

To strengthen this engagement, we are seeking input from corporate members in the following areas:

- Conference content and program development
- Skilltech training topics and delivery
- Sponsorship and partnership opportunities

How can FAOPMA better support service providers, manufacturers, and distributors?

Feedback in these areas will help ensure FAOPMA remains practical, relevant, and aligned with industry needs.

FAOPMA Pest Summit Host Applications

The FAOPMA Pest Summit Host Application provides member associations with the opportunity to host the region’s leading pest management event. Hosting the Summit offers a platform to showcase national capability, promote the destination, and strengthen regional collaboration.

Applications are assessed using a structured framework:

- Priority criteria (1–20): visa accessibility, delegate capacity, inclusiveness
 - General criteria (1–10): venue, accessibility, sponsorship potential, organisational capability
- All submissions are reviewed by ExCo-appointed representatives, with feedback provided to each applicant.

Task Force Realignment

FAOPMA has realigned its Task Force structure to improve focus. Three core Task Forces now operate with expanded scope:

Standards, Policy & Advocacy

- Maintain global standards alignment
- Monitor regulatory developments
- Lead policy positions and awareness initiatives

Knowledge, Innovation & Sustainability

- Deliver training, workshops, and webinars
- Build expert and research networks
- Promote innovation and sustainable practices

Communications, Engagement & Development

- Oversee communications, branding, and stakeholder engagement
- Support Pest Summit content and program development
- Lead membership growth, fundraising, and industry collaboration

Skilltech Regional Training

FAOPMA recently delivered its Termite Management Masterclass, attended by more than 500 professionals from 28 countries.

The session focused on practical approaches to termite management, emerging challenges, and best-practice strategies. Feedback has been positive, with strong interest in further training.

Additional Skilltech programs will be announced shortly.

FAOPMA Pest Summit 2026 – Auckland, New Zealand

FAOPMA, in partnership with PMANZ and AEPMA, will host the FAOPMA Pest Summit 2026 from 15–17 July 2026 in Auckland, New Zealand.

The theme, “FutureProof: Smarter Pest Solutions for a Rapidly Changing World,” reflects the need for innovation as the industry continues to evolve. The program will include keynote presentations, panel discussions, workshops, and a trade exhibition, covering technology, sustainability, climate impacts, and regulatory developments.

The event will be held at the New Zealand International Convention Centre, with accommodation available at the SkyCity Horizon Hotel and SkyCity Hotel both conveniently situated on-site and offering seamless access to conference sessions, dining, and entertainment. Visa support will be provided through Immigration New Zealand, including letters of invitation where required.

Further details, including program and registration information, are available on the FAOPMA website.

We look forward to your continued involvement as we strengthen collaboration across the FAOPMA network.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Raju Parulkar

President - Federation of Asian & Oceania Pest Managers Association



ARE YOU CONTROLLING TERMITES OR MANAGING TERMITE RISK?

FAOPMA REGIONAL TRAINING SERIES 2026 INAUGURAL TECHNICAL PROGRAM

TERMITE MANAGEMENT MASTERCLASS
Termites Without Borders
Science. Strategy. Sustainable Control.
A Regional Technical Training for Pest Management Companies and Professionals Across Asia & Oceania

Tue 17th
March 2026
10 AM - 3:30 PM (AUS)
Online (Link will be shared upon registration)

Expert Faculty

- Dr. Partho Dhang
- Dr. Bramantyo Wilantjoso
- Mr. Rob Boshma

Key Learning Areas

- Termite biology and behaviour updates, Drywood termites and growing concerns on management.
- Soil treatments and baiting systems, selection and application
- Sustainable and long-term termite control approaches
- Species challenges and opportunities across Asia & Oceania
- Field challenges and client expectations - handling complaints and building long-term trust

Certification
All registered participants will receive a:
Certificate of Participation

Registration
All professionals are requested to register in advance to secure their participation.
Limited virtual capacity. Early registration is encouraged.

About FAOPMA
FAOPMA is committed to advancing professional pest management standards across Asia & Oceania through technical education, regional collaboration, and knowledge sharing.
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NZICC - Pest Summit 2026 venue

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“FAOPMA continues to evolve as a truly regional organisation, bringing together associations, suppliers, educators and pest management professionals from across Asia and Oceania. With growing participation in Skilltech training programs, expanded membership representation, and strong momentum leading into the FAOPMA Pest Summit 2026 in Auckland, the federation remains focused on practical outcomes, stronger collaboration, and supporting the future growth of the industry.”