Group work 2

Risk assessment using flowcharts and scenario trees – Entry assessment, Exposure assessment and Consequence assessment

- Tilapia farm
- Look at each production/process step identified by walking the line
- Inputs/outputs at each step
- Assess the risk at each step





Entry assessment

Entry assessment (formerly known as release assessment): The process of describing the biological pathway(s) necessary for an activity to 'release' (that is, introduce) pathogenic agents into a particular environment, and estimating the probability, either qualitatively or quantitatively, of that complete process occurring



Exposure assessment

Exposure assessment: The process of describing the biological pathway(s) necessary for exposure of animals and humans to the hazards (in this case the AMR bacteria or resistance genes) released from a given risk source, and estimating the probability of the exposure(s) occurring, either qualitatively or quantitatively.



Consequence assessment

Consequence assessment: The process of describing the relationship between specified exposures to a biological agent and the consequences of those exposures. A causal process must exist by which exposures produce adverse health or environmental consequences, which may in turn lead to socio-economic consequences. The consequence assessment describes the consequences of a given exposure and estimates the probability of their occurring

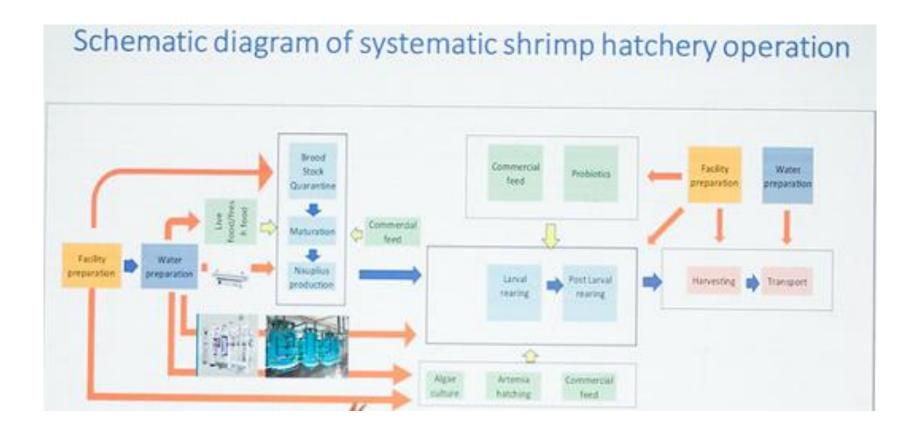


Risk estimation

Risk estimation: The process of integrating the results from the entry assessment, exposure assessment, and consequence assessment to produce overall measures of risks associated with the hazards identified at the outset



Flowchart





Scenario tree

3.7.2. Draw a scenario tree for each hazard

Summary

Prior to embarking on the risk assessment itself, it can be helpful to draw a scenario tree for each hazard under consideration to facilitate the identification of the various biological (risk) pathways leading to:

- the commodity harbouring the hazard when imported
- susceptible animals and/or humans being exposed
- potential outbreak scenarios.



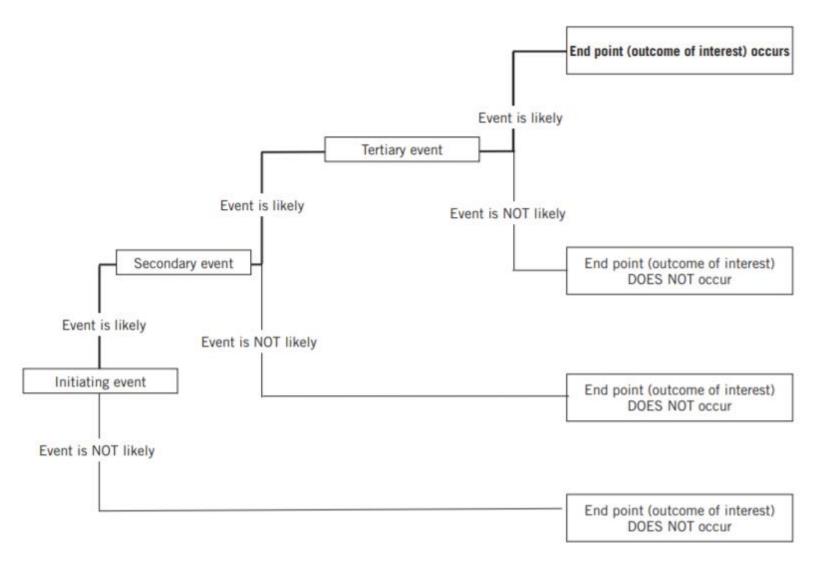


Figure 6 Generalised framework for a scenario tree where probabilities are examined

