

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HEALTHCARE
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND
AND
THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH, LABOUR AND WELFARE OF JAPAN

The Ministry of Public Health of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan, hereinafter referred to individually as the “Side” and collectively as “the Sides”, sharing a view to strengthen the friendly relations and extend Japan-ASEAN health cooperation, have achieved the common recognition to explore opportunities to promote cooperation in the field of healthcare as a matter of mutual interests in the following areas:

- 1) Sharing of knowledge and experiences to promote Universal Health Coverage (UHC) mutually and at the global level;
- 2) Utilization of advanced medical technology, pharmaceuticals and medical devices in a cost-effective manner;
- 3) Exchange of information and experiences on the regulation of pharmaceuticals, medical devices and other products, including raw materials for pharmaceutical use, biological products, regenerative medicine products, quasi-drugs and cosmetic products;
- 4) Sharing of information and experiences to promote food control and risk management in food supply chain;
- 5) Exchange of information on narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and new psychoactive substances;
- 6) Human resource development for health personnel working for healthcare services and global health policy making;
- 7) Response to growing Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) in particular cancer and diabetes to reduce premature mortality;
- 8) Development of policy on aging society;

- 9) Collaboration in reinforcing the Global Health Architecture to strengthen responses to public health emergencies and addressing emerging public health threats, especially antimicrobial resistance;
- 10) Sharing of knowledge and experiences on traditional medicine including R&D of traditional medicine practice and Kampo medicinal products;
- 11) Any other areas of cooperation as may be mutually decided upon

Further, the Sides reached common recognition to explore additional areas of cooperation based on mutual interest. The Sides share the recognition that this Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) is intended only to provide general principles and key terms for initial and prospective cooperation.

Each Side reserves the rights for reasons of national security, public order or public health to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of the cooperation under this MOC which will commence immediately after written notification is given to the other Side.

This MOC will commence from the date of signing, and the cooperation under this MOC will be continued for a period of five years. The period of cooperation under this MOC will be automatically extended for another five years unless either Side notifies to the other Side in writing of its intention to terminate the cooperation at least six months before the desired date of termination.

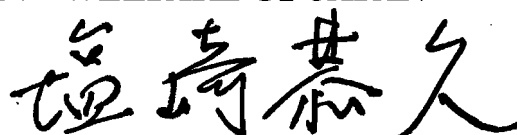
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