

Report of Symposium on Prevention and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease in East Asia

☐ Background

- Symposium with the aim to share information on animal diseases and experiences of animal disease control, and to explore ways of mutual cooperation in East Asia

* Korea, China and Japan take turn in hosting a symposium since 2011
–Host countries by year: Japan (2011) → Korea (2012) → China (2013) → Japan (2014)

☐ Summery

- Subject : Current situation on FMD outbreaks and efforts to control animal diseases in East Asia
 - Presentation and discussion on the subject with prominent experts and government officials from OIE and East Asian countries
- Date & Venue : 18–20 (3 days) November 2015, the K Hotel and QIA
- The Number of Participants : Over 133
 - Government official (17 from 4 countries): Japan, China, Taiwan, Mongolia
 - Guest speaker(2): Dr. Phillip Widders, OIE Sub-Regional Representation for South-East Asia, and Dr. Hirofumi Kugita, OIE Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific
 - Korean participant(114): Participants from MAFRA (Director General, Deputy Minister), QIA, Municipal Governments, Livestock Health Control Association, Interested Groups and Associations, etc.

○ Schedule

- 11.18(Wed) : Symposium on Prevention and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease in East Asia (133 participants, Chaired by Dr. Bong-Kyun Park, Professor of Seoul National University)
- 11.19(Thu) : General Discussion on Animal Disease Control Policy (42 participants, Presided over by Dr. Soon-min Oh, CVO)
- 11.20(Fri) : Consultation in the Field of Animal Disease Technology (24 participants, QIA)

□ Outcome

① Symposium on Prevention and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease in East Asia (18th Nov)

- Prominent experts from OIE shared information on animal disease control situation and control strategies on trans-boundary diseases such as FMD and HPAI in Asia
 - * OIE Regional Office in Asia is executing control management after sharing roadmaps and information between countries
- Presentation and discussion on FMD outbreak situation and control efforts in five Asian countries

② Discussion on Animal Disease Control Policy (19th Nov)

- * Preliminarily sent a questionnaire to countries prior to discussion and the general discussion was held in the form of Q&A session
- Reached a conclusion to respond to trans-boundary diseases such as FMD and AI through cooperative consultation to minimize outbreaks among Asian countries.
- Japan suggested the establishment of a cooperative organization led by Korea to prevent and eradicate FMD outbreaks in Asian countries

③ Discussion with Japan in the Field of Animal Disease Technology (20th Nov)

- Korea and Japan shared information on the respective nation's animal disease control systems and situation on AI control efforts and had a Q&A session centering on major policies and the sector of animal disease technology
- Reached an agreement to build up a strong network through endeavors such as personnel exchanges between two countries

④ Follow-up Measure after China-Japan-Korea Trilateral Agricultural Ministers' Meeting (Sep 2015)

- Reached an agreement to hold a working-level (CVOs) meeting around December in Japan

□ Follow-up Plan

- Leveraging the fruitful result of the symposium to improve animal disease control policies and establishing international cooperation among the East Asia Region.
- Pushing ahead with holding a working-level meeting on animal disease control for Korea, China and Japan (around December in Japan, CVO plans to attend)
- ※ China will hold a 2016 Symposium on Prevention and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease in East Asia

