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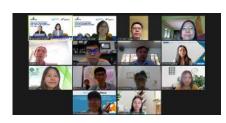
Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, MI Executive Director, and Ms. Maria Theresa Medialdia, Director of Agricultural Development and Commercialization Department, paid a courtesy call to H.E. Mr. Jonathan Kings, the newly appointed New Zealand Ambassador to Thailand on May 18, 2022. The two parties discussed on MI's future directions and the further collaborative initiatives, as well as the progress of the MI-implemented trainings under PROSAFE projects with support from the New Zealand Aid Programme. Read more.

#### MI's Engagement in the China-ASEAN Knowledge Network for Development



Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, MI Executive Director, was one of keynote speakers of the seminar on "China-ASEAN Knowledge Cooperation on Development and Launching Ceremony for Secretariat of Chian-ASEAN Knowledge Network for Development" last May 10, 2022 in Beijing, P.R. China. Hosted by the Center for International Knowledge for Development (CIKD), the hybrid seminar pooled dignitaries and experts to exchange knowledge and opportunities on common development for sustainable development in the region. Read more.

#### PROSAFE Continues to Train CMV Food Processors on GMP



To manage food safety hazards in the production and processing of high quality and safe products using the General Principles of Food Hygiene, MI conducted the Online Regional Training Program on Food Safety Management Tools in Food Manufacturing on May 23 to 27, 2022. Funded by the New Zealand Aid Programme, 19 representatives of government agencies from Cambodia, Myanmar and Viet Nam attended this training. Read more.

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# International Seminar on Sustainable Food Systems Calls for Action and Evidenced-based Post-Pandemic Initiatives in Southeast Asia



MI and Kasetsart University (KU), with support from the Office of the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, Thailand Science Research and Innovation through the KU Reinventing University Program 2021, and the New Zealand Aid Programme (NZAP), co-organized the International Seminar on Sustainable Food System in Southeast Asia under and beyond COVID-19: Policy Evidence and Call for Action from May 19 to 20, 2022 at the Faculty of Economics KU, Bangkok, Thailand. Read more.

#### MI Provides ODOP Coaching Program to Banana Processors in Lao PDR



With support from the AEM-METI Economic and Industrial Cooperation Committee (AMEICC) Secretariat, MI held a coaching program on product processing and packaging technologies for small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) and government officials in Lao PDR on May 18-20, 2022. Read more.

#### Thai Experts Share OTOP Best Practices to Mango SMEs in Cambodia



To enhance the capability and potential of SMEs and community enterprises in Cambodia, MI with the support from the AEM-METI Economic and Industrial Cooperation Committee (AMEICC) Secretariat, organized an online coaching program for mango small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to enhance the capability and potential of SMEs and community enterprises in Cambodia on May 16-18, 2022. Read more.

#### MI and its Partners Kicks-off a New Joint Water-Energy-Food Nexus



MI, in collaboration with UNOSSC Regional Office for Asia-Pacific (UN Office for South-South Cooperation), Science and Technology Policy Institute (STEPI), and MRC (Mekong River Commission), joined the Ministry of Science and ICT in launching the Official Kick-off Event and the First Steering Committee Meeting of the project to help vulnerable communities get better access to water, food, and energy. Read more.

#### Viet Nam Tea Processors receive Coaching Program to Boost OCOP Products



### MI Conducts an International Training Program for the Affordable and Clean Energy Development



To promote good practices in creating enabling environment for affordable and clean energy development in the developing countries, MI in collaboration with the Thailand International Cooperation Agency (TICA), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Thailand, and the Neighboring Countries Economic Development Cooperation Agency (NEDA), implemented an online international training program on "Affordable and Clean Energy Development". About 22 representatives of government officials from Bhuntan, Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Myanmar participated the program from May 9 to 20, 2022. Read more.

### PROSAFE Capacitates More SMEs on Food Preservation and Packaging Technology



Funded by the New Zealand Aid Programme, MI organized a PROSAFE online regional training on "Preservation and Packaging for Safer Food" for 35 agri-food private sector representatives and food regulators from Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Viet Nam from May 9 to 13, 2022. Read more.

### MI Joins the MKCF-funded training on Cambodia's Guidelines and Certification for Green Buildings



As the fund manager and coordinator of the Mekong-Republic of Korea Cooperation Fund (MKCF), MI joined the Ministry of Environment and the National Council for Sustainable Development in launching the MKCF-funded 'Cambodia's Guidelines and Certification for Green Buildings' training from May 4 to 5, 2022. Read more.

#### MI Welcomes the Director of Bureau of Foreign Agricultural Affairs



MI welcomed Dr. Vanida Khumnirdpetch, the Director of Bureau of Foreign Agricultural Affairs, Office of Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC) on May 30, 2021. Both parties discussed and explored opportunities for cooperation on sustainable food system in Thailand and the GMS.



# (III) UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

6-7 JUNE

MI In-house Workshop on Results of Capacity Development and Baseline Survey and MI Longframe Development

13-17 June

Regional Training Course on Al System Maintenance and Utilization

17 june

Mekong-RoK Cooperation: Seeking Synergies on Mekong-ACMECS Cooperation

> 20 IUNE

Coordinating Agencies' Consultative meeting 1/2022

13 June

PROSAFE Training Workshop on Postharvest Safe Food Handing fo Fruits Can Tho City, Viet Nam

> 15-16 JUNE

PROSAFE Training Workshop on Ensuring Food Safety in the Agricultural Production in Lam Dong Province Da Lat City, Viet Nam

> 20-22 June

Online Regional Workshop on Advancing Financial Access and Support Policy to empower MSMEs' Digitalization for Inclusive Growth in Lancang-Mekong Countries

> 27-1 June july

Regional Media Training on Communicating Food Safety



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