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Activity: 1st quarter Regional Video Conference for ASEAN+3 Field Epidemiology Training Network (FETN)

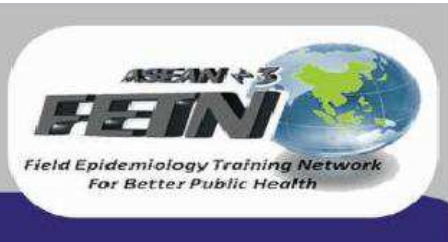
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Description:

The 2015 1st quarter regional video conference for ASEAN+3 Field Epidemiology Training Network (FETN) was held on Thursday, 12 February 2015, 13.30-15.00 (Thailand time). The meeting was organized by FETN coordinating office in Thailand, and technical support was provided by Thailand's Ministry of Public Health. Two online meeting systems were used: True iMeeting system and Skype.

Six member countries including Brunei Darussalam, China, Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam, and WHO SEARO (via Skype) participated in this meeting.



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However, Myanmar connected to the meeting via skype for early stage, and lost connection due to technical difficulties.

The agenda was revisited, and the outbreak information sharing on "Measles transmission among adults and then spread to children during an outbreak in KL County, 2014 " was presented by Dr. Ma Chao, PhD from China CDC, and CFETP Cohort 7.

The brief information of Ebola Simulation Exercise Workshop was provided by Dr. Patcharin Tuntiworawit, Thailand, that it will be developed then delivered with following 2-phase plan which are: Phase 1) Working group meeting to develop exercise materials and scenario for the simulation exercise, and Phase 2) Ebola Simulation Exercise Workshop on local transmission scenarios.

The Meeting took note the following activities:

Preparation Meeting for the ASEAN+3 FETN Ebola Simulation Exercise.

The Two-day Meeting will be held during 26th -27th March 2015 in Thailand.

The 6th Steering Committee Meeting of ASEAN+3 FETN

Viet Nam, as the next Chair, will be hosting the 6th Steering Committee Meeting during the third week of May (18th -22nd). The official letter in confirming of venue will be finalized by the end of February 2015.

The Workshop on Ebola Simulation Exercise Simulation Exercise Workshop on Ebola Virus Disease Preparedness in ASEAN+3 Countries

According to response plan agreed during Workshop on Strengthening Ebola Preparedness for Early Response among ASEAN+3 FETN Member Countries held during 1-3 December 2014 in Bangkok, Thailand, a simulation exercise workshop is to be conducted as one of the key activity of immediate response to Ebola Preparedness. This activity was endorsed by Senior Officials Meeting and Noted by ASEAN Plus Three Health Ministers' Special Meeting, 14-15 December on Ebola Preparedness and Response under Strategic Framework of Actions for Enhancing Collaboration among ASEAN Plus Three Countries for the Preparedness and Response to Ebola, Emerging Infectious Diseases (EIDs) and other Public Health Emergencies.

The Simulation Exercise is expected to be conducted as a back-to-back workshop for 3 days right before or after the 6th ASEAN+3 FETN Steering Committee Meeting in Vietnam.