

## **Application Procedure from Foreign Countries**

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## **Qualifications of an applicant:**

- 1. A breeder
- 2. Nationality of a country allowing Thai nationals to apply for protection in that country
- 3. Nationality of a country which is a party to an international convention or agreement on the protection of plant varieties to which Thailand is also a party



#### **Documents:**

- **1. Citizenship certificate from the Embassy**
- 2. Copy of a successful result of a safety appraisal with regard to environment, health or public
- 3. Details showing the development of the new plant variety, including its breeding process
- 4. Copy of a profit-sharing agreement



#### **Documents:**

- 5. Date of 1<sup>st</sup> application required, a certified copy of the 1<sup>st</sup> application filing within one year from the date of filing in Thailand (by the competent authority of the 1<sup>st</sup> filing country)
- 6. Contractor contract (proxy or agent)
  - 6.1 In applicant's country, it must be certified by notary public or Thai embassy not > 6 m
  - 6.2 In Thailand, temporary resident document



## \*\*\*\* All documents must be translated into Thai



#### **Getting an agency**

#### Law firms or any person



- 1. Plant material must be submitted after no objection of the publication
- 2. All the plant material will be deposited at the applicant premise for DUS testing
- 3. Pest risk analysis (PRA) is required under the quarantine act



- 2 varieties of rice from Japan (2006)
- PRA process has taken long time



## **DUS regulations**

- 1. Growing test for all crops
- 2. Either by government or at breeders' premises
- 3. Breeder have to pay for all the test including examination travel cost
- 4. Documentation has not been accepted



# Thank you