

Report on the Achievement of the Forum in 2016-2017

The 10th East Asia Plant Variety Protection Forum Meeting
September 11th, 2017, NAY PYI TAW, MYANMAR

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The Ninth East Asia Plant Variety Protection Forum Meeting

- **The Ninth East Asia Plant Variety Protection Forum Meeting** was held in Hanoi, Viet Nam, September 6th, 2016
- ▶ **Conclusion of the Meeting:**
 1. “Priorities for Activities to be implemented under the East Asia Plant Variety Protection Forum Cooperation Framework in 2016-2017” was adopted.
 2. Cooperation activity plans for 2016-2017 were adopted.
 3. Myanmar offered to host the 10th forum meeting and the offer was agreed.

Cooperative activities implemented in 2016-2017

- **“Seminar on Awareness Raising on the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection”** was held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar on 5 December 2016
- ▶ Delegates from Myanmar and representatives from UPOV, Japan, Viet Nam, USA and Netherland participated in
- ▶ The following themes were presented
 - Basic Principles of the UPOV Convention and Benefits of UPOV membership
 - Japanese Experience of Plant Variety Protection Under the UPOV Convention
 - Progress in Accession to UPOV for 10 years in Viet Nam
 - Current Status of New Plant Variety Protection System in Myanmar
 - Intensive Awareness Raising on PVP Law and Related Application Procedure in Myanmar
 - Tools for UPOV members for international cooperation and harmonization
 - Intellectual Property Protection for Plants in U.S.
 - PVP in the Netherlands and European Union

Cooperative activities implemented in 2016-2017

- **Seminar on “The benefits of the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection for farmers and growers”** was held in T.K Palace Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand on 23 February 2017
- ▶ Delegates from Thailand and representatives from UPOV, Japan, Viet Nam, USA, Netherland, Kenya and France participated in
- ▶ The following themes were presented
 - Benefits of the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection
 - PVP Impact and Implementation in Japan
 - Implementation of PVP in Viet Nam
 - Benefits of the UPOV System of PVP; U.S. Perspective
 - PVP Impact and Implementing in the Netherlands
 - Impact of Plant Variety Protection in Kenya
 - Plant Variety Protection and Farmer’s Rights in France

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- **High level Study Tour in Japan** was conducted in Tokyo, Kanagawa, Yamagata and Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan on 25-28 July, 2016 inviting 11 high level officials in charge of PVP from 6 EAPVPF member countries
- ▶ High level officials from Cambodia, Lao, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam participated in
- ▶ The following place were visited
 - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
 - Major supermarket
 - Seed company
 - Ota Central Wholesale Market
 - JA Sagae, JA Michinoku (JA: Japan Agricultural Cooperatives)
 - Sake brewer company
 - Center for Seeds and Seedlings (NCSS), National Agriculture and Food Research Organization (NARO)

Cooperative activities implemented in 2016-2017

- Training course for DUS test of corn was conducted in Ho Chi Minh, Viet Nam on 1-4 August, 2016
- Two lecturers were dispatched to PVP Training Course organized by Naktuinbouw(Netherlands) in the Department of Agricultural Research (DAR) of Myanmar on 16-27 January 2017
- Training Course for DUS test of Marigold (*Tagetes erecta* L.) using UPOV TG of Marigold was conducted in the Department of Agriculture (DOA) of Thailand on 17-20 January 2017

Other activities of EAPVP Forum

- ▶ Study on implementation and challenges of PVP system in Malaysia was conducted from 28 November to 2 December 2016
- ▶ Awareness raising for key persons in decision making
- ▶ Study on Present situation of PVP Law and administration of PVP System in EAPVPF Member countries, and so on were conducted
- ▶ Renovation and update of Website

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