

**MINUTES OF DISCUSSION
BETWEEN
KOREA INSTITUTE OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE (KIOM)
AND
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THAILAND (MOPH)
ON THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION**

This Minutes of Discussion, hereinafter referred to as MOD, is made between Korea Institute of Oriental Medicine (hereinafter referred to as 'KIOM') of the Republic of Korea and the Ministry of Public Health (hereinafter referred to as 'MOPH') of Thailand, upon the visit of the delegates from the Ministry of Public Health, Thailand, led by Dr. Supakit Sirilak, Director of Bureau of Health Policy & Strategy, Ministry of Public Health, to KIOM on 24 September 2009. This MOD summarized what the two parties have discussed on possible future collaboration, the objective, the scope and fields of cooperation in order to provide an initial framework of scientific and technical cooperation which will be beneficial to further development of both institutions.

1. Objective

The objective of this meeting and discussion is to establish a basic framework for conducting cooperative activities between KIOM and MOPH which will be beneficial to the respective institutions. Such cooperation is expected to result in synergistic augmentation of the scope and expertise of each institution and in enhancement of scientific and technical knowledge that resides in the two institutions.

2. Scope

The scope of cooperative activities between KIOM and MOPH shall primarily consist of the following:

- Exchange of Research Personnel
- Exchange of Technical/Scientific Information
- Short-term Project for Technical Training
- Promotion of Joint Research
- Participation in joint R&D and other related activities
- Participation in research project of mutual interest
- Cooperation in holding seminars and symposium
- Joint-organization of academic exhibition

The details and other forms of activities as need arises, must be negotiated by both parties.

3. Technical Fields of Cooperation

The specific technical fields in which the cooperative activities are to take place shall primarily be those that are within the scope and expertise and competence of KIOM and MOPH and other related technical fields, and then include the following:

- Herbal drug development
- Standardization of herbs & herbal medicine
- Traditional knowledge management and information technology

This MOD shall be used as a basis for the development of the Memorandum of Understanding between the two parties and detailed plans of action within 6 months.

This Minutes of Discussion is made in two original copies in English, both equally authentic.

Understood and Agreed.

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