OUTLINE OF THE MEMORANDUM OF INTENT BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND ON DEEPENING THE COOPERATION IN AGRICULTURE AND ITS RELATED AREAS

- In addition to the JTEPA mechanism, Both Sides reaffirmed the prompt establishment of a High-Level Cooperation Dialogue between the agricultural ministries to enhance the cooperation on agriculture and food industries.
- Both Sides reaffirmed the usefulness of Japan's technical cooperation for decades. The Thai Side welcomed the Japanese Side's intention to further contribute to human resource development in agriculture and food industries.
- Both Sides welcomed that Both Sides decided to continue open and constructive discussions in the Third Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Trade in Goods under the JTEPA in 2015.
- Both Sides recognized the necessity to promote consultations on sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) measures based on scientific principles.
- Both Sides shared the recognition that a structural reform of the Thai rubber industry has been required. The Thai Side welcomed the Japanese Side's efforts.
- The Thai Side took note with appreciation of the Mission by Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) to promote Japan's investment. Both Sides recognized the importance of continuous effort in this area.
- Both Sides recognized the importance of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in agricultural sectors in order for creation of high added value. The Thai Side welcomed the Japanese Side's intention to cooperate with each other in this field.
- Both Sides decided to deepen cooperation in the field of water management and irrigation. The Thai Side welcomed the Japanese Side's intention to dispatch Japanese experts to Thailand to discuss the possibility of technical cooperation projects in this field.