



Japan

Memorandum of Cooperation

between

Environmental Regeneration and Material Cycles Bureau,

Ministry of the Environment of Japan

and

The Department of Local Administration,

Ministry of the Interior of the Kingdom of Thailand

in the Field of Waste Management

Environmental Regeneration and Material Cycles Bureau, Ministry of the Environment of Japan and the Department of Local Administration, Ministry of the Interior of the Kingdom of Thailand (hereinafter referred to individually as a "side" and collectively as "both sides"),

WILLING to further strengthen the friendly relations and the strategic partnership between both sides;

RECOGNIZING that both sides desire to strengthen their cooperation in the fields of waste management;

CONVINCED that cooperation between both sides in the field of waste management is of mutual benefit for promoting sustainable development; and

PURSUANT to the laws and regulations of their respective countries,

HAVE REACHED the following recognitions:

PARAGRAPH 1

Objective

- 1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this MOC") is intended to promote and consolidate cooperation between both sides with a view to obtaining mutual benefits in the field of waste management.
- 2. This MOC is not legally binding and does not create any legal or financial rights, liabilities or obligations for both sides.

PARAGRAPH 2

Areas of Cooperation

The cooperation under this MOC includes the following areas, based on the principles of equality and mutual benefit:

- (a) waste management policy; and
- (b) any other related fields which is of interest to both sides.

PARAGRAPH 3

Forms of Cooperation

In order to achieve the objectives, set out in this MOC, both sides will encourage and facilitate cooperation through appropriate forms, to the extent of resources prepared by both sides, including:

- (a) hold policy dialogues on the regular basis;
- (b) exchange of information and experience on policy development and implementation;
- (c) organize workshops, seminars, meetings and conference; and
- (d) any other forms of cooperation which are of mutual interest to both sides and which pursue the achievement of the objectives of this MOC.

PARAGRAPH 4

Expenses

- 1. Unless otherwise decided in separate arrangement, each side will be responsible for its own costs and expenses in relation to this MOC. The actions contemplated in this MOC will not involve financial commitments between both sides.
- 2. Each side can voluntarily contribute to expenses in relation to this MOC.
- 3. Both sides can facilitate the development of cooperation between private enterprises and entities of their respective countries in the field of waste management in accordance with the laws and regulations of their respective countries.

PARAGRAPH 5

Resolution of Differences

Any differences that may arise from the implementation of this MOC, will be resolved amicably through consultations between both sides.

PARAGRAPH 6

Commencement, modification, duration and termination

- 1. The cooperation under this MOC will commence on the date of its signing by both sides.
- 2. This MOC can be modified by written consent of both sides.
- 3. The cooperation under this MOC will continue for a period of five (5) years and may be extended for subsequent periods mutually decided by both sides in writing.
- 4. This MOC may be terminated by either side giving thirty days (30) written notice to the other side prior to the intended date of the termination.

The termination of this MOC will not affect any on-going projects and activities implemented under this MOC until such projects and activities have been completed, unless each side jointly decides otherwise.

SIGNED in duplicate on August 19, 2022 in English languages

For	For
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