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Dear MBDS Colleagues,

The MBDS (Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance) cooperation is a self-organized sub-regional network commenced in 2001. It is a collaboration effort among six Mekong Basin countries including Cambodia, China, Lao P.D.R, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. It aims to strengthen national and sub-regional capabilities in infectious disease surveillance and outbreak response, especially on 18 currently designated priority diseases including Ebola, MERS, Zika, Malaria and Dengue to rapidly and effectively control them.

We would like to updating MBDS activities, upcoming international events, recent updates and useful links and thank you for the opportunities you gave us to share them with you.

MBDS and CANADA's GPP Activities



The Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance Foundation in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Sport, Myanmar, organized a "MBDS Regional Risk Assessment Workshop for Cross Border Coordinator" in Yangon, Myanmar on 10 - 11 December 2019.

The workshop was supported by Canada's Global Partnership Program (GPP) and its' aim was to MBDS countries health risk assessment process at national and cross border level, priority health hazards and develop the SOP for risk assessment process for cross border areas which can be implemented and sustainable by cross border health authorities. | Reported by Ms. Jittra Thajeen, Ag Project Coordinator, MBDS Secretariat

MBDS and Fleming Fund (FF) – Ending Pandemics Activities



Ending Pandemics conducted the "CORDS Fleming Funds Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Project Inception Meeting" in Bangkok, Thailand on 16 – 18 December 2019. Prof. Dr. Htay Htay Tin, Deputy Director General (MBDS AMR Lead from Myanmar), Ministry of Health and Sports, Myanmar and MBDS Secretariat are participated together with representatives from CORDS Member in this meeting. | Reported by Ms. Jittra Thajeen, Ag Project Coordinator, MBDS Secretariat

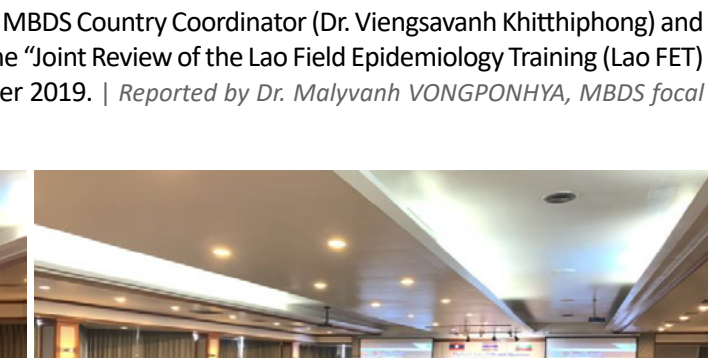
MBDS Regional Activities



Dr. Rattanaxay Phetsouvamh, Director General of Department of CDC (MBDS Executive Board) and Dr. Malyvanh VONGPONHYA (MBDS focal) from Lao P.D.R. has attended "Public Health Emergency Operations Centre Surge Staff and Advocacy Meeting" in Vientiane Capital, Lao P.D.R on 29 November 2019. | Reported by Dr. Malyvanh VONGPONHYA, MBDS focal of Lao P.D.R



MBDS Lao P.D.R Board Member (Dr. Rattanaxay Phetsouvamh), MBDS Country Coordinator (Dr. Viengsavanh Khitthiphong) and MBDS focal (Dr. Malyvanh VONGPONHYA) are participated in the "Joint Review of the Lao Field Epidemiology Training (Lao FET) Programme" in Vientiane Capital, Lao P.D.R on 9 – 13 December 2019. | Reported by Dr. Malyvanh VONGPONHYA, MBDS focal of Lao P.D.R



MBDS Cross Border Coordinator from Chiang Rai Provincial Health Office (Thailand) and Bokaeo Provincial Health Department (Lao P.D.R) participated in "Thailand – Lao P.D.R and Myanmar Cross Border Health Meeting" in Chiang Rai Province, Thailand on 18 – 20 December 2019. | Reported by Mr. Narin Suriyon, MBDS XB Coordinator from Chiang Rai Province, Thailand.



MBDS Cross Border Coordinator from Mukdahan, Nongkhai and Ubon Ratchathani Provincial Health Office (Thailand) participated in "Workshop on develop the potential of network partners to achieve excellence in the treaty side, law, international agreement and diplomatic ceremony" in Bangkok, Thailand on 25 – 27 December 2019. | Reported by Mrs. Punchawee Sukbut, MBDS XB Coordinator from Mukdahan Province, Thailand

Upcoming International Events

MBDS Board Member meeting, Beijing, China, 13 January 2020

Workshop on "Strengthening capacity of Quality assurance among ASEAN Member States", Hanoi, Vietnam, 19 – 20 February 2020

Recent Update

MBDS SO has been updating Regional and International disease information on [MBDS website](#) and those updates can be easily accessed via [MBDS Facebook](#).

Useful links

MBDS has been updating useful links (Disease Surveillance Networks, Health Related Links, Links for Disaster Management, Research Links, Global Conference Alerts and Others Links) on [MBDS website](#).

Sincerely yours,
MBDS Foundation Secretariat

