



1. Project Title: ASEAN Plus Three Narcotics Law Enforcement Training on Countering ATS and Other Narcotic Substances Project (Third Phase)

2. Responsible Agency: The Office of the Narcotics Control Board

3. Funding Source: ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation Fund (APTCF)

4. Background and Justification: The ASEAN Plus Three Narcotics Law Enforcement Training on Countering ATS and Other Narcotic Substances is a three-year project that is being implemented into three phases. This project aims to increase the efficiency of narcotics law enforcement officers of ASEAN Member States and the Plus Three Countries. In particular, the training programme is aimed for setting up guidelines for overcoming the amphetamine-type stimulants (ATS) problems and obstacles faced in ATS control and suppression as it is wide-spreading rapidly throughout the region.

The first phase of this project was conducted on 21 October-1 November 2013 in Bangkok, Samut Prakan and Chonburi Provinces, Thailand. The training was attended by 38 officers from 12 countries, namely, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam. In this phase, the trainees learnt, among others, the international drug control mechanism and ASEAN Member States' involvement, ATS situation in East and Southeast Asia region and ATS production and precursor chemical control. The trainees visited Suvarnabhumi International Airport in Samut Prakan and The Customs Department in Laem Cha Bang, Chonburi province to learn the different interdiction techniques that can be used at both airport and seaport to identify and intercept drug smugglers.

Initially, the trainings were expected to be carried out annually from 2013 to 2015. Due to unforeseeable domestic circumstances in Thailand, the second phase could not be conducted in 2014 and, instead, it was implemented on 11-22 May 2015 in Bangkok and Chonburi Provinces, Thailand. The training was attended by 44 officers from 13 countries, namely, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam. At the second phase, the trainees learnt the international drug control mechanism and ASEAN Member States' involvement; ATS situation in East and Southeast Asia region and ATS production and precursor chemical control; chemical control measure and method of diversion, precursor trafficking; chemical disposal; airport interdiction; controlled deliveries; financial investigation analysis; precursor control system; mutual legal assistance and asset seizure. The trainees visited the following: the Narcotics Control Office Region 2 to update the drug situation in the main *tourist attraction* in Thailand i.e. Pattaya; the ONCB Operation Center to monitor

the drug situation reported by real-time operating system related to drug prevention, suppression and rehabilitation; the Narcotics Analysis Technical Service Institute to observe how to characterize illicit drugs; and the Customs Department in Laem Cha Bang, Chonburi Province to observe the effective and updated devices and machines used in seaport interdiction.

5. Objectives: The project is aimed at providing intensive training in narcotics law enforcement officers of ASEAN Member States and Plus Three Countries. The main objectives of the project are as follows:

- 5.1 To develop skills of narcotics law enforcement officers on ATS suppression;
- 5.2 To strengthen and enhance knowledge and understanding on drug suppression for officials who work in this field;
- 5.3 To review the drug situation and identify problems and challenges of drug suppression in order to set up guidelines for addressing those impediments;
- 5.4 To strengthen regional collaboration among narcotics law enforcement officers of ASEAN + 3 countries; and
- 5.5 To promote drug control networking in this region.

6. The Number and the Qualification requirements of participants and Resource Persons:

6.1 Participants (44 persons)

6.1.1 Be 3 operational/mid-management-level officers whose responsibilities associated with narcotics law enforcement agency from the following countries:

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| - Brunei Darussalam | - Singapore |
| - Cambodia | - Thailand |
| - Indonesia | - Vietnam |
| - Lao PDR | - Republic of Korea |
| - Malaysia | - Japan |
| - Union of Myanmar | - China |
| - Philippines | |

6.2 Qualifications

- 6.2.1 Be nominated by their government in accordance with the application procedures;
- 6.2.2 Have at least of 5 years of experience in drug law enforcement field;
- 6.2.3 Work in one of the concerned agencies, namely, immigration, customs, and central narcotics control agency;

6.2.4 Be at the middle management level;

6.2.5 Be proficient in speaking, listening, and writing English;

6.2.6 Be in good health to participate enthusiastically in all course activities, and should have a health certificate issued by an authorized physician. This certificate is required to the application form. Pregnancy is regarded as a disqualifying for participation in the course.

7. Duration: 3 -16 July 2018

8. Venue: Lectures - Hotel in Bangkok

Study visits – Bangkok, Samut Prakan and Chiang Rai provinces,
Thailand

10. Training Techniques and Methods:

Lecture, discussion, presentation and study visit.

11. Training Evaluation:

To qualify the Award of the Certificate, the participants are required to attend a minimum of 80 percent of the total training course hours.
