

**INFORMAL EXPERT CONSULTATION ON COORDINATED PROCUREMENT  
OF ANTIDOTES IN THE SOUTH-EAST ASIA REGION  
12-13 FEBRUARY 2018, BANGKOK, THAILAND**

**Provisional programme**

**Monday, 12 February 2018**

<b>DAY 1. What do we know about the current needs and demands for antidotes in SEAR?</b>	
8:30 – 9:00	Registration of participants ( <i>Meeting Room 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Queen Sirikit Medical Center, Ramathibodi Hospital</i> ) <i>Transport will be provided from Hotel Sukosol to Ramathibodi Hospital (depart hotel at 8:15)</i>
<b>Opening session</b>	
9:00 – 9:15	<b>Opening remarks</b> <i>Professor Piyamitr Sritara, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine Ramathibodi Hospital</i> <b>Objectives of the meeting</b> <i>Dr Klara Tisocki, Regional Adviser, Essential Drugs and other Medicines, WHO SEARO</i>
9:15 – 9:30	<b>Brief update on current regional and global strategic procurement initiatives and relevant WHO work</b> <i>Dr Klara Tisocki, SEARO</i>
9:30 – 10:00	<b>Overview of the development of Thai national mechanism to procure at cost efficient prices and make antidotes available reliably to ensure rapid access to patients in need</b> <i>Prof. Winai Wananukul, M.D., Director, Ramathibodi Poison Center</i>
10:00 – 10:10	<b>Access to medicines – key for UHC regional opportunities for intercountry support</b> <i>Dr Viroj Tangchareonsathein, Senior Adviser, International Health Policy Program, MOH, Thailand</i>
10.10 – 10:30	Group photo followed by tea/coffee
10.30 – 11:00	<b>Procurement scheme of antidotes by Thailand with potential coverage of other SEAR countries</b> <i>GPO Speaker TBD</i> <b>Key Lessons learnt from National Antidote project</b> <i>Dr Netnapi Suchonwanich, Advisor to Program Leader and Senior Researcher at Health Intervention and Technology Assessment Program (HITAP)</i>
<b>Session 1. Country needs and experiences on procurement of antidotes</b>	
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Perspectives of clinicians and challenges of ensuring availability of antidotes for management of poisoning cases</b> ( 10 min for each presenter) <i>Professor Y K Gupta, National Poisons Information Centre (NPIC), All India Institute of Medical Sciences</i> <i>Dr Aruna Dewan, Center for Education, Awareness and Research on Chemicals and Health (CEARCH)</i> <i>Dr Waruna Gunathilake, Director, National Poison Centre, National Hospital for Sri Lanka</i>
<b>Session 2. Identifying gaps in country procurement of antidotes</b>	
11:30 – 12:00	<b>Perspectives of procurement agencies on sourcing antidotes and challenges in ensuring availability</b> ( 10 min for each presenter) <i>Dr A.T. Sudarshana, Deputy Director, Medical Supplies Division, Ministry of Health, Nutrition &amp; Indigenous Medicine, Sri Lanka</i> <i>Mr Rudra Mani Dhimal, Chief Procurement Officer, Medical Supplies and Procurement Division, Bhutan</i> <i>Dr Dileep Kumar S.R., General Manager, Kerala Medical Services Corporation Ltd (KMSCL)</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:15	<b>Field Visit to Ramathibodi Poison Center at 1<sup>st</sup>Floor Research-Welfare Building</b>
<b>Session 3. Options to coordinate procurement of antidotes</b>	
14:15 – 17:15	<b>Roundtable discussion 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Which antidotes</b> could be more efficiently supplied by coordinated procurement? <b>What criteria should be used</b> to guide selection under regional procurement?</li> </ul> <b>Roundtable discussion 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Supplier / procuring institution issues:</b> what 'conditions'/institutional arrangements need to be in place within the procuring entity in Thailand ?</li> </ul>
17:15 – 17:30	Departure to hotel
Dinner hosted by Faculty of Medicine Ramathibodi Hospital- <i>time and venue TBA</i>	

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<b>DAY 2. Initiating coordinated procurement of antidotes in the South-East Asia Region</b>	
<b>How to get started on coordinating the procurement of antidotes in the SEA Region?</b>	
09:00 – 09:10	Summary of day 1
09:10 – 10:15	<p><b>Roundtable discussion 3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Participating country issues:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What needs to be in place in countries wanting to procure antidotes through this collaboration?</li> <li>○ What is needed for importation e.g. national registration of the antidote</li> <li>○ Forecasting capacity</li> <li>○ Support from state / central procurement agency; NRA, national poison centre</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Roundtable discussion 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Essential institutional arrangements required for this collaboration to work</b></li> </ul>
10:15 – 10:30	Tea/coffee
10:30 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of process flow chart for collaborative procurement</li> <li>• Resources needed &amp; budget</li> <li>• Draft operational plans</li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 15:00	<p>Agree on role of WHO, relevant regional networks and any development partners to support proposed coordinated procurement initiative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stakeholders role</li> <li>• Drafting of Country MoU</li> <li>• Next steps</li> </ul>
<b>Closing session</b>	
15:00 – 15:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing &amp; vote of thanks</li> </ul>
15:15 – 15:30	Departure to hotel
	Free time