

Memorandum of Understanding

between

Bueng Yitho Municipality

and

NOGEZAKA-GLOCAL

and

Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University

This memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets for the terms and understanding between Bueng Yitho Municipality and the NOGEZAKA-GLOCAL and the Faculty of Social Administration, Thamamasat University to develop the academic cooperation in the establishment of Bueng Yitho Day Care Center.

Background

Among South East Asia plus 3, Japan has the highest number of aging population. At present, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam has 18 %, 16 % and 10 % of aging population, respectively. These three ASEAN countries have already entered aging society. However, the number of older persons (defined as aged 60 and over) in Thailand has grown rapidly and will continue to do so in the future decades. For example, in Thailand, there is an increase in number of older persons who move from the urban and in Bangkok to Phathumthani province. Bueng Yitho is one of the districts in this province which had the effects from the increasing number of older persons. An interesting topic to further development is the day care services. It is necessary for the municipality to be responsible for those elderly, to maintain their active and healthy aging habits and to focus on their opportunity to access program services providing by the community. However, the Municipality does not have much more knowledge and experience like the

community in Japan which is the country that has a lot of experiences and resource persons about the activities in Day Care Center. Therefore, it should be beneficial for the Municipality to organize the Day Care Center by sharing case studies and experiences from Japan. Although both Japan and Thailand have different and interesting experiences as well as success and failure stories, it will also be beneficial for two countries to learn together and develop the academic cooperation in the establishment of Bueng Yitho Day Care Center in Thailand.

Purpose

- To pursue a comprehensive cooperation in an establishment of Day Care Center by Bueng Yitho Municipality
- 2. To exchange knowledge and ideas about Elderly and Disability Care in order to improve services in Bueng Yitho Municipality

The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking the following activities:

Phase 1: Establish Day Care Center for:

- 1) Management Issue
 - 1.1 Equipment and Technology
 - Equipment Assessment (Expert from Japan visiting in April 2019)
 - Consulting (Expert Team from Japan visiting in June 2019)
 - 1.2 Field Study in Japan (8-12 May 2019 by NOGEZAKA-GLOCAL) 3-5 persons
 - Types of Elderly Care Services
 - Management and Operating System
 - Care Management
 - Care Plan (How to categorize and design care plan for users)
 - Cost Payment
 - Technology
 - 1.3 Basic Training in Thailand (June 2019 by Thammasat University)
 - Concept of the Centre
 - Management System
 - Operation
 - Plan and Preparation for Implementation
 - Resources Management
 - Workshop and Conclusion
 - 1.3 Further cooperation should be considered among the three organizations

2) Technical Issue

2.1 Technical Training in Thailand (Expert Team from Japan visiting in June

2019)

- Nursing Care for Elderly
- Rehabilitation (PT/OT) for Elderly
- Dementia Care / Dementia Prevention Activities
- 2.2 Technical Training in Japan (2 weeks in October 2019)
 - Nursing Care for Elderly
 - Rehabilitation (PT/OT) for Elderly
 - Dementia Care / Dementia Prevention Activities
- 2.3 Further cooperation should be considered among the three organizations

Reporting

The effectiveness of an establishment of Day Care Center will be done by Thammasat University during and after the process of this project.

Funding and Resources Sharing

Measures to be taken by each organization;

- 1. Bueng Yitho Municipality;
- Providing cost for dispatching trainee in Japan (Air Ticket and Transportation and Accommodation fee in Japan)
- Providing partial cost for accepting Japanese Experts from Japan (Transportation and Accommodation fee in Thailand , Lecture Fee)
 - Conducting fund raising activities in Thailand
 - Providing cost for evaluation project
- 2. Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University
- Giving Technical Advice to this project
- Conducting coordination in Thai-side
- 3.NOGEZAKA-GLOCAL\
 - Conducting coordination in Japan side
- Conducting Training in Japan
- Dispatching EXPERTs (or coordination to dispatching experts) from Japan
- Conducting fund raising activities in Japan

Duration

Phase 1: February 2018- Mar 2021

It is expected to extend the cooperation period and/or involving other organizations such as Japanese Municipality (ies) by mutual agreement.

Remark:

All organizations seek fund raising from supporting agencies such as "The Council of Local Authorities for International Relations(CLAIR)", "Japan International Cooperation Agency(JICA)".

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