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## **DOA Celebrates Success in Expanding**

## Safe and High-Value Agricultural Products to 76 Provinces



Agricultural Minister Thammanat Prompao is pleased with the Department of Agriculture (DOA) in disseminating the results of 76 models of safe, high-value agricultural products from 76 provinces at the technology transfer days. The event was held at Bangkachao Farm, Samut Prakan Province.

Mr. Rapibhat Chandarasrivongs, Director-General of DOA said that Captain Thammanat Prompao, Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC) had the policy for the people to live well and produce high-value agricultural commodities while maintain sustainable resources. DOA has initiated the project on 76 Provinces 76 Models Producing High Value Agricultural Products. It is a lesson learned from success in producing high-value agricultural products from model farmers in 76 provinces across the country. A manual for producing 76 high-value crops is published. Farmers and those interested may apply the ideas into practice covering the entire production chain.

Outstanding model farmers, 8 from regional level and 1 from national level, are selected under the 76 Provinces 76 Model Project. A total of 9 technology transfer events between December 2023 - February 2024 will be organized. December 21, 2023 is the first dissemination of technology on production of high-value agricultural products under the project "Samut Prakan Model for Creating High Income from Safe Vegetable Farming" at Bang Kachao Farm Samut Prakan Province

Director-General of DOA informed that the event consisted of a demonstration plot and an exhibition of The Best Model at district level. The Samu Prakan Model will showcase farmers' production technology for producing safe vegetables and Japanese mushrooms which adopted Zero Waste concept and BCG Model. Higher incomes can be acquired through safe vegetable production. Consumers must be able to consume safe agricultural products according to Agricultural Minister's policy. Central and regional DOA offices will collaborate with relevant agencies such as the government and private sector Food Safety Network to determine chemical residues in imported and domestic agricultural products. This is to ensure safest agricultural products in Thailand. DOA and other MOAC agencies invited the Thai Pan network to join the discussion and help expand the safe and high-value agricultural products to hospitals, schools, prisons and other safe agricultural products markets.

At the event, there were 18 models from the central region, model farmers and networking, panel discussion and exchanges of experiences. Included was also the demonstration of model farming practice from high income farmers on the topic "Production of safe agricultural products that generates high income". There are 5 learning bases consisting of 9 technologies from DOA for safe crop production, Japanese mushroom production, in-door vegetable farms, vegetable in baskets on earthworm raising beds and waste management. The event attracted the interests of farmers, government officials from agricultural agencies and over 500 attendees. DOA is strongly committed to efficiently implementing the 76 Provinces 76 Models project to achieve tangible results. Safe agricultural products and farmers' capacities will be strengthened through the application of technology, innovation and wisdom.

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