

Seminar on Containment of Antimicrobial Resistance for the Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs) in Myanmar

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Seminar Summary





The seminar on “Containment of Antimicrobial Resistance for the Veterinary Education Establishments (VEEs) in Myanmar” was organised with the objectives to enhance knowledge and understanding of the veterinary students and faculty staff on the OIE’s standards and guidelines on AMR control and encourage responsible and prudent use of antimicrobial products in animals. The seminar, organized by the OIE Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific (RRAP) through support of the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department (LBVD) of the Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation (MoALI) and the WHO country office Myanmar was attended by over 93 participants including veterinary students and faculty staff of University of Veterinary Sciences (UVS), participants from LBVD, Myanmar Veterinary Council (MVC), University of Medicine (UM), and OIE. Dr Than Naing Tun, the Deputy Director General of LBVD opened the seminar followed by series of presentations from the OIE, the LBVD, the MVC, UVS, UM covering different aspects of veterinary education and competencies required for graduating veterinarians. The seminar introduced OIE’s activities on AMR, OIE Day 1 Competencies, OIE Veterinary Education Core Curriculum, current AMR/AMU situation in Myanmar and how veterinary school has incorporated OIE’s standards and guidelines on AMR into their teaching curriculum. The University of Veterinary Science Myanmar has been very active in undertaking several academic researches on AMR. From 2005 until now, they have published/presented about 23 works on AMR. The UVS is also about to start a collaborative project with Queensland University in Australia to strengthen its curriculum and teaching faculty. The VEE workshop was indeed a good opportunity for the veterinary students and the teaching faculty to understand their roles in combating AMR. The current curriculum, both in the UVS and the University of Medicine, covers aspects on AMR and a number of dissertation topics for undergraduate and post-graduate students are on AMR/AMU.