



Statement

The first-ever biggest Japanese delegation organized by JETRO to visit Thailand

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- Since the year 2017 marks a special event of the 130th Anniversary of Japan-Thailand Diplomatic Relations and upon the occasion that H. E. Mr. Hiroshige SEKO, Minister of Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry (METI) visits Thailand, JETRO will organize a more than 500-member delegation from Japan to visit Thailand during 11-13 September 2017. Members of the Delegation comprise Japanese executives of big-sized corporations, who also represent major business community and of leading SMEs nationwide from various business sectors including 10target industries which are presently promoted by the Thai government.
- During the 3-day program arranged by JETRO and the Thai administration, the delegation members shall pay a courtesy call on Prime Minister Prayut Chan-o-cha at the Government House. They shall also attend the “Symposium on Thailand 4.0 towards Connected Industries” where Deputy Prime Minister Somkid Jatusripitak and METI Minister Seko shall deliver the keynote speeches. In addition, the business networking shall be held in order to strengthen business alliances between Japanese and Thai enterprises particularly from automobiles, electronics, medical and wellness tourism, agriculture, food, biotechnology and service industries. Furthermore, in order to gain first-hand experience and understanding of Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC), the site visit to U-Ta-Pao Airport and related facilities have been arranged for the delegates.
- Mr. Hiroki MITSUMATA, President of JETRO Bangkok, states that this delegation organized by JETRO could be said as the first-ever biggest delegation. This reflects that Japanese businessmen have been exceedingly interested in business opportunities and partnership with Thailand in accordance with Thailand’s new key policies such as “Thailand 4.0”, EEC and regional connectivity due to Thailand’s strategic location in ASEAN and the Mekong Sub-region.