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Reinforce International Cooperation to Mitigate Foodborne AVIR

-MFDS Holds the 1st Global Conference on Foodborne AMR Virtually-

- ☐ Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS, Minister Kim Ganglip) holds virtuathe 1st MFDS Global Conference on Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance (GCFA)** from September 6(Mon) to 8(Wed) in an effort to ramp up international cooperation for managing foodborne antimicrobial resistance(AMR).
 - * GCFA: Global Conference on Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance
 - ** Virtual Conference held on GCFA Website(mfdsgcfa.kr) and Zoom
 - O It is the first conference held by the Republic of Korea as the Chair of Ad-hoc Codex Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance (TFAMR) and it is expected to serve as a platform for sharing policies on AMR management and the necessity of implementing international standards that will be set by TFAMR and the importance of strengthening international cooperation.
 - ☐ This Conference will be held for three days and comprised of four sessions, and renowned speakers from international organizations including the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) as well as experts from countries including Denmark and Japan will give the presentation.

- The main programme: ▲keynote speech; ▲AMR risk assessment of international organizations and European Food Safety Authority (EFSA);
 ▲AMR risk management from home and abroad (Denmark and Japan);
 ▲international cooperation for AMR mitigation; ▲AMR management and research on new technologies.
 - In particular, Professor Dame Sally Davies, the UK Special Envoy on AMR, will share her ideas on the current status and importance of international cooperation to reduce foodborne AMR and the way forward in her keynote speech.
- O We ask for your interest and support, as it is the first conference held by the Republic of Korea to actively discuss the issue of AMR which attracts growing attention from the world.
 - For reference, if you register before 15:00 on September 6th, you can join the Conference on Zoom and you can watch lecturers' presentations at the GCFA website without prior registration. Detailed information can be found on the Website (mfdsgcfa.kr).
- ☐ MFDS expects that this conference will provide a forum for countries around the world to share various information and ideas on how to manage foodborne AMR, and will make its utmost efforts to play a pivotal role in strengthening global cooperation by working closely with international organizations in diversified ways.