

## **Important Implementation Results of August 2018**

### **Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau,**

### **Environmental Protection Administration, Executive Yuan**

1. From July 29 to August 4, the TCSB held the “International Exchange and Seminar of Minamata Convention on Mercury” in Minamata City, Kumamoto Prefecture, Japan. The participating units included the Ministry of Economic Affairs, the Ministry of Health and Welfare, the Council of Agriculture of the Executive Yuan and the EPA. Discussion covered the health effects and exposure assessment of metal mercury and methylmercury, the development of sustainable development in Minamata, the product restrictions of the Act on Preventing Environmental Pollution of Mercury and the trade restrictions of Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act, and global mercury management.
2. Held the “2018 Central Toxic Disaster Response Center Simulation Exercise” conference on August 9.
3. On August 15, the EPA led a joint press conference on “Safe Food on Mid-Autumn Festival” with the Ministry of Health and Welfare, and the Council of Agriculture to explain efforts on protecting people’s Mid-Autumn Festival food safety by conducting market sampling tests, and the management and tracking of food, agricultural products, and chemical substances.