

**Accomplishments of Environmental Protection
Administration, Executive Yuan in December of 2019
(Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau)**

1. Attended “2020 Anti-drug Advocacy Budget Deliberation Meeting and 2019 Anti-drug Project Implementation Meeting (held second time)” by the Executive Yuan on December 6 to explain the “Nitrous Oxide (Laughing Gas) Management Mechanism Evaluation Report”. Moreover, attended the “Meeting for Deliberating Nitrous Oxide Management Mechanisms” held by the Executive Yuan on December 27 to resolve to adopt rerouting management for laughing gas; management of medical and food-grade laughing gas by the Taiwan Food and Drug Administration; management of industrial laughing gas by the Environmental Protection Administration (EPA).
2. Held a press conference titled “No more herbicide! Cleaning the weeds yourself can attain a perfect result!” on December 11 with an expectation that, through interdepartmental cooperation, herbicide management will be enhanced; misuses thereof will be prevented; and environmental pollution will be minimized to ensure good health.
3. Held “2019 Seminar on the Outcome of National Chemical Substances Management Policy Guidelines and Action Plans” on December 17, in which government departments and agencies in charge of chemical substance management, local governments and the industry were invited to participate. Not only did the EPA’s Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau present “Introduction of National Chemical Substance Management Policy Guidelines(draft) and Action Plans and Report on the National Chemical Substance Management Operations”, “Establishment of Existing and New Chemical Substance Evaluation Mechanisms and Interdepartmental Information Sharing Mechanisms” and “Promotion of Green Chemical Education and Establishment of Safe Substitute Selection Strategy”, but the Ministry of Labor Affairs, Council of Agriculture, Ministry of Transportation and Communications, Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Ministry

of Education were also invited to deliver speeches on chemical substance management and control measures, promotion of green chemistry and related topics. Through this seminar, government departments and agencies in the field managed to integrate implementation results thereof, coordinate cooperation mechanisms, and summarize their drafted action plans. By reaching a consensus on all parties involved, it is expected that follow-up tasks will be further facilitated.