

Major Government Performance of the Environmental Protection Administration, the Executive Yuan in August 2020 (Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau)

- I. From August 17 to 18, the TCSB and the Environmental Professionals Training Institute of the Environmental Protection Administration jointly organized the seminar "2020 Introduction to Risk Management and Sustainable Transformation Governance of the Environmental Protection Administration of the Executive Yuan," with an opening speech by Minister Chang Tzi-Chin. This seminar provided model examples of emerging risks and taught sustainable transformation governance to improve colleagues' decision-making and judgment regarding environmental issues and their ability to communicate with the public.
- II. To enhance operators' source management of chemical substances with food safety risk concerns, prevent the systematic flow of these substances into the food chain, implement the traceability of food additives and the accuracy of food industry registration, and maintain domestic food health and safety and protect consumer rights, local environmental and health departments jointly implemented the "2020 Joint Inspection Plan for Chemical Raw Material Operators Concurrently Selling Food Additives." A total of 85 operators had been inspected by the end of August.
- III. To reduce food safety risks, the TCSB cooperated with the Ministry of Health and Welfare in implementing the "2020 Investigation and Research and Analysis Project on Background Value of Dioxin in High-risk Foods in the Yunlin-Chiayi-Tainan-Kaohsiung-Pingtung Area," conducting joint traceability sampling of dioxins in food. It traced and sampled the source environmental media (air, surface water, soil and groundwater) of eggs, meat, fruits and vegetables. A total of 11 sessions had been carried out by the end of August.