## **Chemicals Administration, Ministry of Environment**

## **Major Policy Implementations in June 2025**

- I. On June 2, Director Hsieh Yen-ju of the Chemicals Administration chaired the 2nd staff meeting of the National Chemical Substances Management Board for 2025, reporting on: "Establishment of Hazardous Chemical Management and Disaster Response Committees by County and Municipal Governments and Their Implementation Results" and the "Factory Hazardous Material Flow Tracking Mechanism." In addition, agenda items for the 5th committee meeting were discussed.
- II. On June 20, the inauguration ceremony for the Central Region Toxic Chemical Disaster Professional Training Center was held, and a memorandum of cooperation was signed with the National Fire Agency, Ministry of the Interior. Both agencies will: share professional training venues and facilities; continue promoting toxic chemical disaster training; share teaching materials and instructors; and, develop high-intensity practical courses to strengthen effectiveness of inter-ministerial cooperative training, cultivate professional personnel, and enhance the resilience of the disaster prevention system.
- III. On June 26, a joint press conference on *Dolichoderus thoracicus* (black cocoa ant) control was held with the Ministry of Agriculture. Director General Hsieh Yen-ju of the Chemicals Administration, Director General Hsu Jungbin of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency under the Ministry of Agriculture, Professor Lin Tsung-chi from National Changhua University of Education, and Professor Emeritus Hsu Err-lieh from the Department of Entomology at National Taiwan University, jointly called for "Environmental and Agricultural Cooperation to Clean Our Homeland - No More *Dolichoderus thoracicus* Troubles!" They promoted *Dolichoderus thoracicus* control methods together to reduce the impacts on agricultural operations and home life.