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*Since 2014*

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## TOR and Work plans

- **TOR 1: To conduct collaborative research projects with WHO aimed at finding risk factors for environment-related disorders in vulnerable population such as infant, children, elderly, pregnant women, etc**
  - Development of children's environmental health indicators
  - Survey on environmental exposures and health in children and adolescent
  - Environmental exposures and health effects in elderly population
- **TOR 2 : To transfer knowledge and experience of national research scheme and experience for building research capacity in developing countries, particularly in the Asia/Pacific region**
  - Development of guideline for reduction or prevention of vulnerable population's environmental exposure and its health effects
  - Technical assistance to harmonize birth cohort study in Children's Environmental Health to promote the establishment of the study in Asia
  - Information exchange program for vulnerable population and environmental health in Asia
- **TOR 3 : To assist WHO by hosting and participating in international programs and collaborative researches on vulnerable population and environmental health**
  - International symposiums and workshops

## Main activities in 2015

- **Research on Environmental Exposure and Health Effects in Residents around Mining Areas in Mongolia**
  - Objective
    - 1) Health effect assessment in residents in mining areas in developing countries such as Mongolia upon request from WHO
    - 2) Strengthening inter-cooperation in environmental health research
  - Period : 2015 – 2017
  - Partner institution : National Centre for Public Health, Mongolia
- **First Regional Training Workshop on Health, Environment and Sustainable Development (in support of WHO/WPRO)**
  - Objective
    - 1) Capacity building for managing environmental health issues and applying environmental health programs
    - 2) Promoting inter-sectoral cooperation for environmental health
  - Date : 30 Nov – 5 Dec, 2015
  - Participating Country : 17 countries (Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Fiji, Guam, Kiribati, Lao People' Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Federate States of Micronesia, Mongolia, Nauru, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Philippines, Samoa, Viet Nam)
- **Environmental Health Guideline Publication (English ver.)**
  - Healthy Lifestyle Guidebook for Women
  - Environmental Health Guide for Children
  - Pollen and Allergy