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### SPECIAL SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING OF THE 41<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE ASEAN MINISTERS ON AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY (SPECIAL SOM-41<sup>st</sup> AMAF) AND RELATED MEETINGS 5<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2020

*Bandar Seri Begawan*

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The Special Senior Officials Meeting of the 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry (SSOM-41<sup>st</sup> AMAF) was held today, on 5th August 2020 in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam. Yang Mulia Dayang Hajah Tutiatty Binti Haji Abdul Wahab, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism as the chair for Special Senior Officials Meeting of The 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting Of The ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture And Forestry (SPECIAL SOM-41<sup>st</sup> AMAF) opened the meeting with her opening remarks.

In her opening speech, she welcomed the SSOM AMAF Leaders of Agriculture and Forestry as well as the ASEAN Secretariat for attending the SPECIAL SOM 41<sup>st</sup> AMAF, held via Video Conference. She congratulated on the enormous contribution, hard work and commitment by all Sectoral Working Groups, Joint Committees as well as Expert Working Groups on the implementation of the various projects under SSOM-AMAF covering a diverse range of sectors, among others, include food security, information and technology exchange, research and development, human resources development, and agriculture and forestry-related industries.

The meeting expressed satisfaction on the progress made in the implementation of Strategic Plan of Food Agriculture and Forestry (SP-FAF) 2016-2025, including the achievement of key deliverables in 2020. The meeting, furthermore, agreed on the Proposed Key Indicative Deliverables for 2021 FAF Sector. The meeting also noted the progress made by key sectoral cooperation activities related to food, crops, livestock, fisheries and forestry in 2020.



On the same day as the The SSOM-41<sup>ST</sup> AMAF, the Special Senior Officials Meeting of the 19th Meeting of the ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry Plus Three (SSOM-19th AMAF+3), and The 5th ASEAN-Russian Federation Senior Officials' Meetings On Agriculture (5th ARSOMA) was also held using video conference.

Also present during the meeting were the Senior Officers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Religious Affairs, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, Department of Agriculture and Agrifood, Department of Fisheries and Forestry Department.

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