The RAWS in Practice in Korea

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1. AIMS and GOALS of RAWS-AFEO
AIMS

To facilitate the implementation of OIE animal welfare standards, provide a framework for the coordination of animal welfare activities, and address emerging issues.
Goals

1. Promotion and achievement of a high level of understanding and awareness of AW in the region through effective coordination, communication, education and training

2. Ensuring a coordinated regional approach and ongoing commitment to the implementation of OIE animal welfare standards and guidelines

3. Achievement of sustainable improvements in animal welfare based on regional and international research and development

4. Development of sustainable mechanisms to coordinate and promote animal welfare programs and priorities
2. The RAWS in Practice - in KOREA
1. OIE AW Standards and RAWS

a. Translation in Korean

- OIE standards
  - translated and distributed in 2009 and 2014

- RAWS (2nd)
  - translated in 2014 (under supervision)
2. Involving well-known person in the AW
   a. famous singers and actors
   b. evaluation of AW awareness of politicians before election

1. Understanding and Awareness of AW
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3. OIE IAWP (Improved Animal Welfare Program)
   a. 1\textsuperscript{st} session (23~26, Sep. 2014)
      • Lecture & Field Study
   b. 2\textsuperscript{nd} session (27~31, Oct. 2014)
      • Making own training materials
   c. 3\textsuperscript{rd} session (scheduled 17~19, Dec. 2014)
      • Training of stakeholders with own materials.
1. Amended Animal Welfare Act
   a. definition of animal

Any of the following animals, which are **vertebrates** with developed nervous systems through which they could feel pain

Mammals, birds / Reptiles, amphibia, and fish as prescribed by Presidential Decree, after discussion between the head of a relevant central administrative agency and the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

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Amended: 13-Aug-2013
Enforced: 14-Aug-2014

Act – Enforcement Ordinance – Enforcement Regulation – Notification (= Presidential Decree) (=Ordinance of the Ministry)
2. Amending ‘Animal Transport Notification’

- Main agents to establish and amend: ministry of agriculture → QIA
- Recommendations → obligation
- Charge the fine (under 1000 USD)
  - During loading and unloading animals, who makes the animals injured by throwing or dropping the crates that animals are in
  - Using the electric rod during animal transport

3. Amending ‘Humane Slaughtering Notification’

- Main agents to establish and amend: ministry of agriculture → QIA
- Including:
  - obligation of related personnel
  - appropriate design and facilities
  - method of lairage, restrain, stunning and bleeding
4. Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC)

- Established in Dec. 2013

- Aims: Advice on
  - making animal welfare policy
  - establishment of animal welfare strategy
  - supervision of animal ethics committee of each institute
  - certification of ‘animal welfare farm’

- Members: Dr. JH Park (Seoul Nat’l U.)
  - 10 person (university(3), NGO(2), industry(1), government(1), veterinary association(1), lawyer(1), practicing veterinarian(1))
a. Farm Animal

• Certification of ‘Animal Welfare Farm’
• Designation of ‘Animal Welfare’ Slaughterhouses and Vehicles (2014~)
• To establish AW guideline (production, transport and slaughtering) for each species

• Certified farms
  - laying hens : 58 farms
  - pig : 1 farm
2. Implementation of OIE AW

* Base of ‘certification of animal welfare farm’
  - scientific/economic analysis studies
  1. survey of awareness of ‘farm animal welfare’
  2. fund for studies for animal welfare

Estimation of Willingness to Pay for Livestock products which is produced under the Farm Animal Welfare Regulation
2. Implementation of OIE AW

b. Companion Animal
- To strengthen the punishment on ‘throwing dog away’
- To build animal shelters by local government
- To control the number of ‘street cat’ by TNR

c. Laboratory Animal
- To establish the guideline for laboratory animal welfare and use (cooperation with ministry of education/science)
- To strengthen the ‘animal welfare’ education to researcher: obligation of each institution
1. AW : New Category of R&D
   - AW became one of R&D fields in Agriculture

3. Regional and international R&D of AW
1. Seminar: Animal Welfare in Indonesia
   • Held in 2013
   • Invited speakers
     Dr. Romziah Sidik (Airlangga U., Indonesia)

4. Coordination of AW programs
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2. Meeting: Animal Friendly Products & Killing Animals for Disease Control
   - The Netherlands' AW focal point (Mr. Leon Arnts) and Dr. Gerritzen (Wageningen U.)
   - Dec. 2013 / Den Haag
3. Conclusion
1. AW in Korea
   • is improved by ‘slow but steady’ in accordance with OIE AW standards and RAWS
     – Animal welfare strategy
     – Animal welfare act / notification
     – Animal welfare advisory committee

2. Cooperation between nations
   • Need more efforts and solutions
     – AFEO Society for AW (R&D)
     – AFEO regional AW Conference/Symposium/Meeting (every 2~4 year?)
Thank you very much for your attention!