

Alltech partners DPO to uphold and boost Thailand's dairy industry

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Alltech, a global leader in animal nutrition, and the Dairy Farming Promotion Organization of Thailand (DPO) have collaborated to create a model for nutrition innovation and sustainable dairy farming in the country.

A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed at VIV Asia with Dr. Mark Lyons, president and CEO of Alltech, Jonathan Forrest Wilson, president of Alltech Asia Pacific, and Peera Chairut, assistant director of DPO. Alltech has established itself in Thailand for over 25 years.

The MOU outlines the scope of collaboration, including the development of management and nutrition strategies to solve challenges and improve production efficiency, the establishment of guidelines and procedures to meet project objectives, and the management of ruminant nutrition to solve production issues and promote better efficiency and quality of products.

DPO is a government agency which operates under the oversight of the Thai Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives. It is best known as the manufacturer of the Thai-Denmark brand of dairy products. The collaboration will leverage global expertise and technologies to sustainably expand and develop dairy and beef cattle production in Thailand. The agreement will also include the development of management and nutrition strategies and guidelines to solve challenges and improve production efficiency.

Alltech and DPO will work together to help farmers in developing appropriate knowledge and utilising relevant technologies, services and management practices for sustainable dairy and beef cattle production which will improve the performance of dairy cows and the quality and quantity of milk they produce. There are currently around 24,000 dairy farms in Thailand, 162 milk collection centres and 130 processing plants.

Commenting on the new partnership, Dr. Mark Lyons, president and chief executive of Alltech, said: "Working with DPO, we can apply our global resources and insights to the Thai market, so the future of dairy farming will deliver high-quality nutrition for the people of Thailand while enabling the country's farming sector and land to thrive."