1. We, the ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry (AMAF), held our 41st Meeting on 15 October 2019 in Brunei Darussalam, under the Chairmanship of H.E. Dato Ali Apong, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism of Brunei Darussalam.

   **Policy framework related to ASEAN cooperation in food, agriculture and forestry**

2. We 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 2019. We noted the need for sectoral bodies to have an assessment on the implementation of their Strategic Plan of Actions (SPAs) 2016 – 2020 and to identify activities for an updated SPAs 2021 – 2025 that are more focused, high-impact and in a realistic manner to contribute in the realisation of the Vision and SP-FAF 2016-2025 as well as the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Blueprint 2025.

   **Food Security and Nutrition**

3. We noted the progress of the ASEAN Integrated Food Security (AIFS) Framework and Strategic Plan of Action on ASEAN Food Security (SPA-FS) 2015-2020, conducted by the various sectoral bodies. We further supported the development of a new ASEAN Integrated Food Security (AIFS) Framework and Strategic Plan of Action on ASEAN Food Security (SPA-FS) 2021-2025 to ensure sufficient supply, affordable, safe and nutritious food.

4. We noted the implementation of Multi Sectoral Framework on Climate Change: Agriculture and Forestry towards Food and Nutrition Security and Achievements of SDGs (MSFCC) and encouraged close coordination and collaboration among different sectoral bodies and partners to address adaptation and mitigation of climate change through sustainable, efficient and effective use of land, forest, water and aquatic resources.

   **Food Safety, Handling and Product Quality**

5. We commended our sectoral bodies for their efforts and achievements made in the harmonisation of standards and development of guidelines to support trade facilitation of agricultural products in ASEAN, and adopted the following documents, among others:

   i. ASEAN Standards for Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) for Veterinary Medicinal Products, ASEAN Good Agriculture Practice (GAP) Official Control Manual and
ASEAN GAP Certification Manual for Quality Assurance Systems for ASEAN Fruits and Vegetables

ii. Regional Guidelines on Cold Chain Management for Seafood

iii. Regional Technical Guidelines on Early Warning System for Aquatic Animal Health Emergencies

iv. ASEAN General Guidelines on Halal Food

**Sustainable Natural Resources Management**

6. We underscored the importance of having an operational framework for information sharing and capacity building among ASEAN Member States in combating Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing and adopted the Concept Proposal for the Establishment of ASEAN Network for Combating IUU Fishing (AN-IUU).

7. We reiterated the importance of enhancing sustainable forest management (SFM) in ASEAN and noted the growing concern to further tackle issues on wildlife trafficking that has impact on biodiversity and SFM. In this regard, we adopted the ASEAN Guidelines for Detecting and Preventing Wildlife Trafficking and ASEAN Voluntary Code of Conduct on Imports for Forest and Timber Companies.

8. We noted the on-going efforts of strengthening the sectoral collaboration on conservation agriculture and sustainable soil management initiatives to ensure the sustainability of agroecological system in the ASEAN region.

**Trade and Joint Promotion for Agriculture and Forest Products**

9. Recognising the significant role of ASEAN as exporter in global forest and timber market and to facilitate trade, we adopted the ASEAN Voluntary Code of Conduct on Imports for Forest & Timber Companies. The Code of Conduct is intended to promote legal and sustainable timber trade in the ASEAN region and will serve as an important tool to improve forest governance through the involvement of the private sectors.

10. We recognised the importance of liberalising agriculture and forestry sectors and the need to transform it from production-push approach to market-oriented approach. We further agreed to sign the MOU on ASEAN Cooperation in Agriculture and Forest Products Promotion Scheme (2019-2024) with the intention to promote twelve-products in the international markets. The products are i) Seaweed and Seaweed-based Products, ii) Cocoa, iii) Coconut, iv) Coffee, v) Forest Products (Timber and Non-Timber), vi) Palm Oil, vii) Peas and Beans, viii) Pepper, ix) Tapioca, x) Tea, xi) Tuna, and xii) Sericulture.

**Moving together with Dialogue Partners and International Organisations**

11. We acknowledged and thanked the ASEAN’s Partners, particularly Australia, China, Germany, India, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Russia, and New Zealand for their valuable contribution and support in advancing cooperation in food, agriculture and forestry in ASEAN region through close collaboration in various areas, including food security, food safety and products quality, SPS, trade facilitation of the agriculture and forestry products, sustainable resources management and climate resiliency.

12. We appreciated the support extended by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), World Organization for
Animal Health (OIE), and Grow Asia Partnerships in the implementation of the Strategic Plan for ASEAN Cooperation in Food, Agriculture and Forestry 2016-2025.

**The 42nd AMAF Meeting**

13. We agreed to convene the 42nd ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry Meeting in Cambodia in 2020.

14. We expressed our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the Government and People of Brunei Darussalam for hosting the 41st AMAF Meeting and for their warm hospitality and excellent arrangements made for the Meeting.

**The Meeting was attended by:**

i. H.E Dato Ali Apong, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism, Brunei Darussalam

ii. H.E Veng Sakhon, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Cambodia

iii. H.E Dr. A. Amran Sulaiman, Minister of Agriculture, Indonesia

iv. H.E Bounkhouang Khambounheuang, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Lao PDR

v. H.E Datuk Seri Salahuddin bin Ayub, Minister of Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry, Malaysia

vi. H.E Dr. Aung Thu, Union Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, Myanmar

vii. H.E Dr. William D. Dar, Secretary of Agriculture, Philippines

viii. H.E Dr. Amy Khor, Senior Minister of State for the Environment and Water Resources, Singapore

ix. H.E Ms. Mananya Thaiset, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Thailand

x. H.E Dr. Le Quoc Doanh, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Viet Nam

xi. H.E Dato Lim Jock Hoi, Secretary-General of ASEAN