

The first Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) meeting (October 25, 2012)



The first Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) meeting was held on October 25, 2012 at the KEMRI Boardroom, Nairobi.

JCC is a decision-making forum that is composed of representatives from the Ministry of Health, Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), JICA Kenya office and JICA experts. The aim of this meeting is to share the progress and timelines of each activity, to discuss any challenges, and to modify plans as necessary.

The first JCC meeting took place by having approximately 13 attendants: The project director Dr. Mpoke, who is the Director of Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), chaired the meeting, project managers such as Dr. Mwau, the Director of KEMRI-Alupe Centre, Dr. Sang, the Head of Arbovirus/Viral Hemorrhagic Fever (VHF) Laboratory, KEMRI-Centre for Virus Research, Dr. Kimotho, the Production Manager of KEMRI-Production Department and Dr. Njeru, the Head of the Division of Disease Surveillance and Response at the Ministry of Health in Kenya, Mr. Eguchi, the Chief Representative at JICA Kenya office, Mr. Shimizu, the Representative at JICA Kenya office, Professor Morita, the Chief Advisor of the project, and JICA experts. Ms. Sakai, Senior Project Coordinator at Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), participated as an observer.

In the JCC, there were presentations, where progress on each activity was shared according to the Project Design Matrix (PDM) and the Plan of Operation (PO). The participants confirmed that all planned activities were proceeding/ continuing as scheduled.

Participants held discussions after the presentations, which helped deepen their understandings of each activity that is currently ongoing.