

## **Ministry of Education Launches 'ASEAN Youth Camp 2025' A Platform to Inspire Future Green Leaders and Enhance AI Skills for Sustainable Development in the Region**



**June 17, 2025** – Siripong Angkasakulkiat, Vice Minister for Education, officially presided over the opening ceremony of the "ASEAN Youth Camp 2025 (AYC 2025)." The event was attended by over 200 students and teachers from ASEAN member countries, an observing country (Timor-Leste), as well as dialogue countries including China, Japan, and South Korea. The ceremony took place at the National Science Museum, Pathum Thani Province.

The Ministry of Education, in collaboration with the National Science Museum (NSM), the SEAMEO STEM-ED Center, and the Institute for the Promotion of Teaching Science and Technology (IPST), hosted the ASEAN Youth Camp 2025 (AYC 2025) under the theme "AI Hackathon for Green Sustainability" from June 16–21, 2025, at the National Science Museum in Pathum Thani Province. This event served as an important platform to promote cooperation in education, science, technology, and culture, alongside fostering environmental awareness and green sustainability as well as promoting sustainable development at the regional level.

On this occasion, the Assistant to Education Minister welcomed the youth from various countries and emphasised that the world of education today is rapidly changing. The driving forces behind this transformation include Artificial Intelligence (AI), the shift to the digital era (Digital Transformation), and the growing diversity in learning methods, all of which are reshaping the teaching and learning processes. Therefore, the new generation must possess technological skills alongside creativity, adaptability, and a strong sense of responsibility towards the community and the world. These qualities will help prepare them to face the environmental crises, which are a shared challenge for the global community. In particular, **the application of AI and technology in sustainable management** will play a key role in integrating technology with nature, allowing both to grow together in harmony.

Furthermore, the friendship and cooperation among countries in the ASEAN region are vital factors that promote peace, security, and long-term sustainable development. The relationships and collaborative learning among youth serve as a strong foundation for the region. Therefore, this camp is not only a platform for learning but also a space of inspiration that sparks the potential for youth to become future leaders, ready to cooperate with others in creating a sustainable future together.



Participants will take part in activities that foster learning and creativity, including a Hackathon focused on AI solutions for environmental issues, hands-on workshops, academic seminars, cultural exchanges, and site visits. A key highlight is the "AI for Green Sustainability" project competition, where youth showcase innovative, eco-focused solutions. The program also includes a Thai-themed welcome reception celebrating international friendship, all aimed at building leadership and environmental responsibility.

**The ASEAN Youth Camp 2025 serves as an international learning platform that seamlessly integrates technology with humanitarian and environmental values. It aims to equip youth with 21st-century skills while instilling a strong commitment to creating a sustainable world.**