Reinforcing Cooperation on Food Safety in ASEAN Countries: the ASEAN RASFF network

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Background

- ARASFF was initiated as a bilateral project between Thailand and the European Union and subsequently extended to other ASEAN Member States
- The pilot project started in December 2006 Co- funded by European Commission and Royal Thai Government
- Thailand, Malaysia and Vietnam were the primary ARASFF network members
- ARASFF has been endorsed as the official tool of ASEAN for exchange of information of food and feed safety among ASEAN Member States by Special SOM-AMAF Meeting in August 2009

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What is ARASFF ?

- ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed is a tool for rapid exchange of food and feed safety information among competent authorities of the ARASFF network members which are also ASEAN Member States
- Information exchanged include product, risk identified, and measure already taken

Objective

To spread out information rapidly on newly identified risks of unsafe products and actions taken to stop items entering the food chain to consumers through the established network

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ASEAN Network Members

- Brunei
- Cambodia
- Indonesia
- Lao PDR
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Philippines
- Philippines
- Thailand
- Vietnam

ARASFF Web Site (www.arasff.net)

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- User Guide
- Notification Form
- Case Study

Tutorial
- Online Training

Link
- European Commission
- WTO
- ASEAN Food Safety Network
- RASFF Portal

Welcome to ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed

This web-based application of regional scope enables Competent Authorities in Food Safety and Public Health of all ASEAN Member States to rapidly notify and exchange information on direct or indirect risks to hunman deriving from food or feed being traded in ASEAN and measures taken to prevent them entering the food chain. ARASFF also collects and compiles essential data exchanged on the website and make them available to ASEAN Competent Authorities in Food Safety and Public Health.

ASEAN Notification

2019-04-05	TH-20190405-00187 new	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00178 new	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00179 new	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00180 new	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00181 new	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00182	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00183	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00184	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00185	
2019-03-26	MY-20190326-00186	

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Working Groups

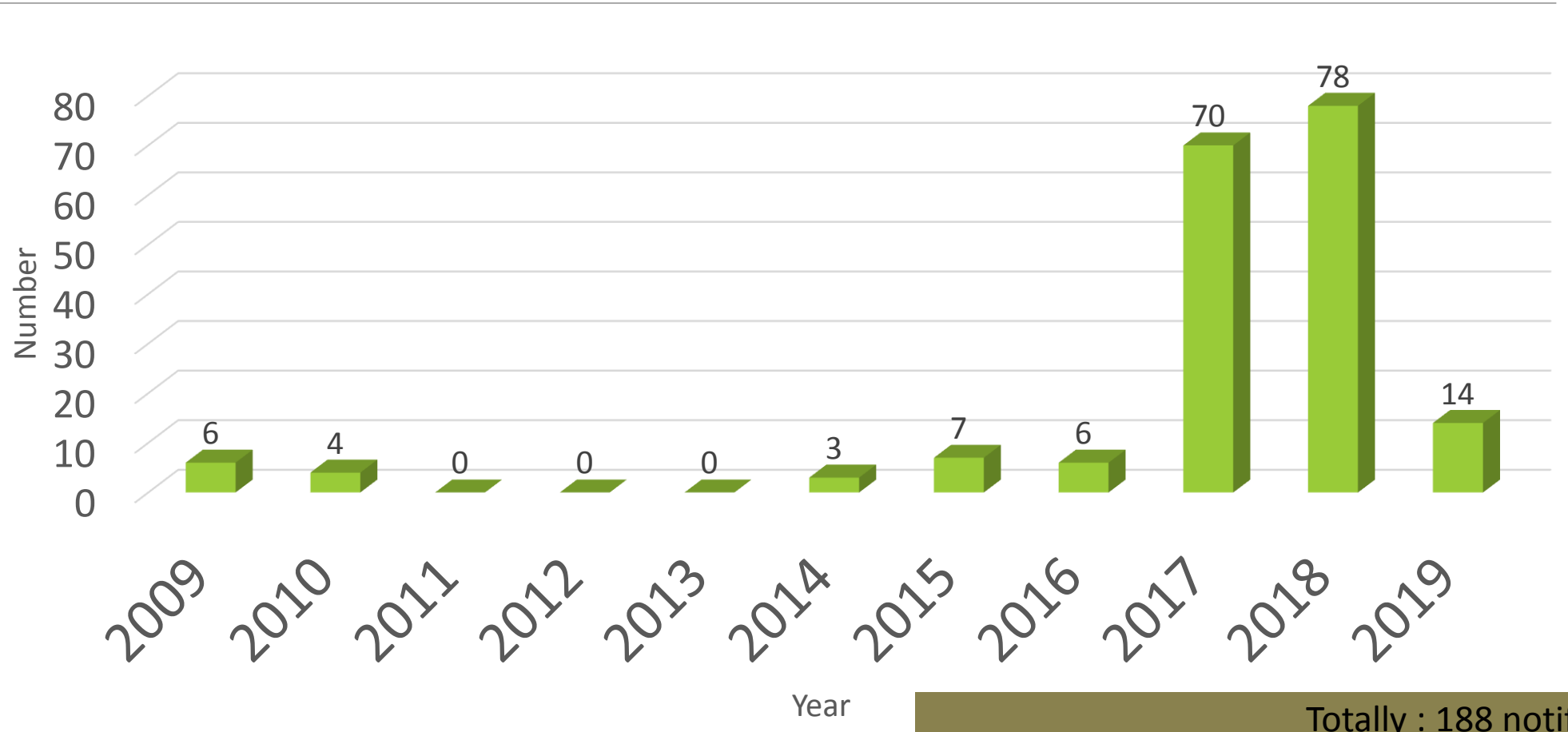
- ARASFF Steering Committee
- National Contact Point

ARASFF Action Plan (2018 -2023)

- Policy and Operationalization
- Capacity Building
- Coordination/ Cooperation
- Monitoring and Evaluation

Notifications on ARASFF

By Year

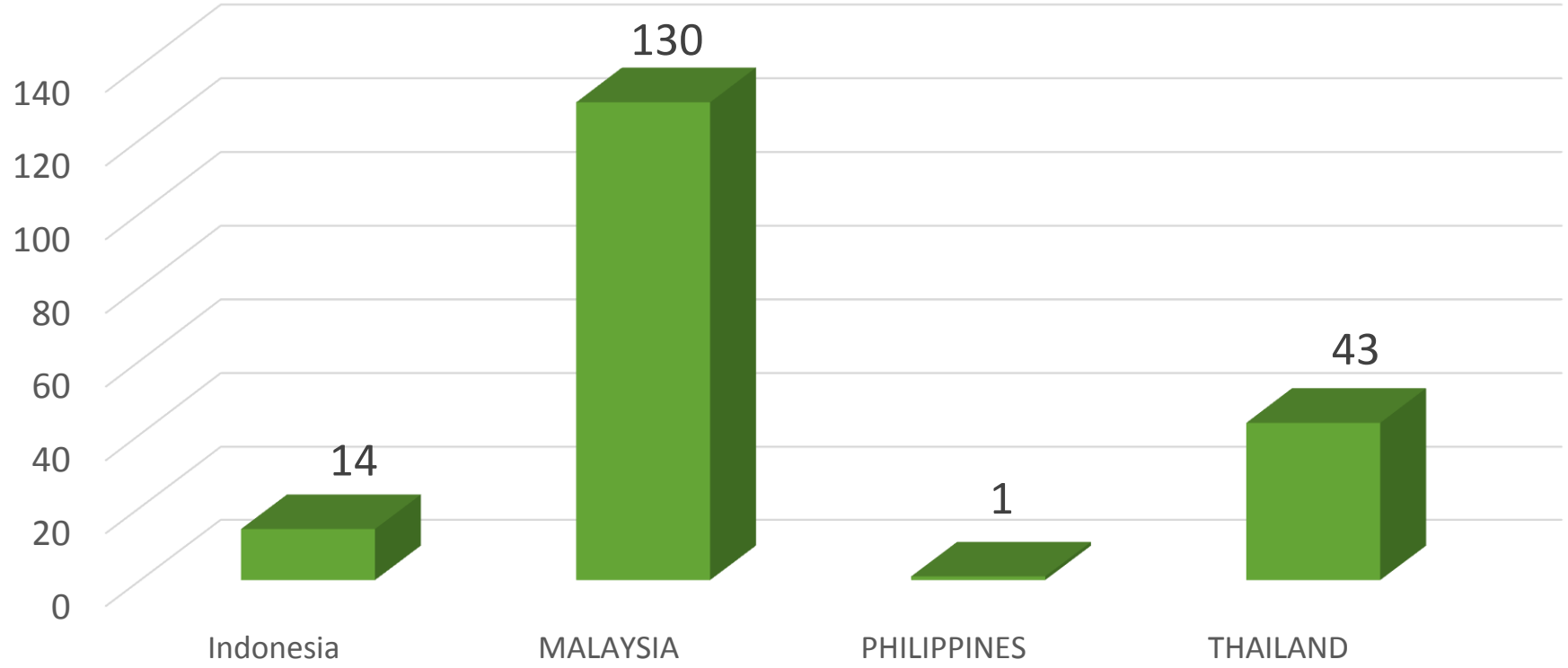


Totally : 188 notifications

As of 15 Nov 2019

Notifications on ARASFF

By Notifying Country



As of 8 July 2019

Major Challenges for ARASFF Advancement

- Need a legal framework to support the operation of national and ASEAN Network, especially con confidentiality and liability issues
- Need political will of the policy makers of all Member States to support ARASFF operation
- No harmonized food safety standards, food laws among ASEAN
- Need stronger cooperation among involved agencies within each Member State

Cooperation with entities outside ASEAN

- Provide a channel for entities outside ASEAN to access some information.

Information accessible to public

- Product name
- Country of origin
- Hazard found
- Analytical result
- Action taken
- Distribution status

Thank you for your attention