

## Talks with Philippines on science, technology productive



Talks between Taiwan and the Philippines held on Sept. 24 to examine progress in bilateral projects and explore further areas for cooperation were productive, a Taiwanese official has said.

At the sixth Joint Science and Technology Commission in Tagaytay, the two countries examined the progress of ongoing projects related to disaster management, medical care, agriculture, and talent cultivation, Science Minister Chen Liang-gee told CNA.

Among the projects evaluated were the VOTE project, a three-year program launched last year to cooperate on natural disaster prevention and relief, and the Joint Research Project (JRP) aimed at enhancing exchanges between researchers from the two sides.

The JRP is focused on topics related to smart cities, big data, food safety, biomedical diagnosis, artificial intelligence, and robots, Chen said.

Taiwan and the Philippines have also sought to expand cooperation in the agricultural and medical sectors to create new opportunities for businesses in both countries, he said.

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