With the inauguration of the new government, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) announced the Mid- to Long-Term Agro-food Statistics Development Plan in July 23, 2013. The main goal of this plan is to establish a scientific agricultural administration system that focuses on data closely connected to the field in the Government 3.0 Era. It is eventually for enhancing policy analysis capability, strengthening policy ties, increasing public participation, and establishing basic infrastructure for agro-food statistics.

As the connection and closeness among various agricultural policies have been increasing, support such as crop hazard insurance and the field crop direct payment system, and statistical information support must come first for the efficient policy planning, execution, and evaluation of the pertaining policy. On the other hand, field investigations are made more difficult due to privacy protection and preventive measures against disease, and various demands pursuant to environmental change are increasing due to the merge of space information and statistics and the implementation of Government 3.0 (big data, an open-door policy toward the public, and increased participation by the public).

Therefore, it is required for government to make a development plan on future-oriented agro-food statistics to ease difficulties for an agricultural administration focusing on data and to effectively respond to the new environmental changes. This development plan was prepared by the Public Consensus Agricultural Administration Committee following nine meetings in which all levels of society participated, including farmers, consumers, and academicians, and also by collecting the opinions of other government departments. The “mid- to long-term development plan of agro-food statistics” is composed of 18 policy tasks in five sectors, and the main contents are as follows.
## Vision

Establish an agriculture administrative system that focuses on data closely connected to the field

### Strategy

| Construct future-oriented statistical base | (1) Construct smart farm map  
(2) Construct agri-food big data  
(3) Construct system utilizing remote exploration technology |
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| Strengthen statistics analysis capability | (4) Operate full-time statistics division  
(5) Strengthen and educate manpower specializing in statistics  
(6) Expand H/W and S/W for statistics processing and analysis |
| Develop new statistics | (7) Develop statistics for each type of farm  
(8) Develop new statistics reflecting new demand  
(9) Reorganize and enhance quality of existing statistics |
| Construct agri-food statistics collaboration and development system | (10) Construct network for statistics users  
(11) Vitalize participation-type statistics preparation  
(12) Set-up agri-food statistics development council  
(13) Construct collaborative system with National Statistical Office  
(14) Expand international communication and cooperation on agri-food statistics |
| Strengthen statistical information service | (15) Construct agri-food statistics portal service  
(16) Construct mobile statistics service  
(17) Provide customized statistics support service  
(18) Vitalize statistics planning analysis reports |

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