Medical officials in Chiang Mai province in Thailand visited Kagawa prefecture

Now, the project to improve maternal mortality rate and fetus mortality rate and newborn mortality rate in the Thailand’s mountainous areas where are absence of doctors and scarce of transportation in a JICA grassroots technical cooperation project is progressing. This project is composed of Kagawa University, Kagawa Prefecture, Melody International Ltd (Kagawa University Certified Venture Company) and NPO e-HCIK. The project leader is Kazuhiro Hara, Specially Appointed Professor of Seto Inland Sea Regional Research Center Kagawa University.

So far, in collaboration with Chiang Mai University in Thailand, which has an agreement to promote education and research with Kagawa University, the project has introduced Mobile CTGs(Cardio Tocogram) at three remote medical facilities in mountainous areas in Chiang Mai province and the project had confirmed its effectiveness.

Based on the results, the project developed a new Petit Mobile CTG that is easier to use, and the project with Chiang Mai Province made a plan to expand it to whole remote medical facilities in Chiang Mai Province.

So, nine Medical officials in Chiang Mai prefecture (health department official, doctor, midwife, nurse, etc.) came to Kagawa prefecture from the 12th to the 16th November. And they visited Deputy Governor Kagawa Prefecture and Kagawa University Vice President as Courtesy Call. After that, they visited Kagawa University Medical faculty affiliated hospital, Shodoshima Central Hospital etc. to learn the situation of perinatal care in Kagawa.