

Developing nations vaccine network lauds Bio Farma

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Singapore: The Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN) has lauded the initiatives and cooperation of Indonesian vaccine-maker Bio Farma, now the largest producer of oral polio vaccine in the world.

"Bio Farma produces 1.4 billion doses of oral Polio vaccine, the biggest in the world," DCVMN president, Dr Akira Homma told a press conference, in Kuta, Bali. Dr Homma was attending the opening of 13th annual general meeting of DCVMN.

Homma cited Bio Farma as an example of a successful vaccine maker in the developing world not only for being able to produce various types vaccines, prequalified by the WHO, but also for its initiatives and cooperation on vaccine research with many developing countries as well.

Bio Farma president and director, Dr Iskandar, who also spoke in the press conference said that Indonesia is now in the position to offer co-operation with other developing countries. "Now we have produced 11 types of vaccines, all of which are WHO pre-qualified," he said.