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Welcome to the AI4PEP bi-weekly News Brief. This week, we bring you the latest achievements, challenges, and collaborative efforts within the AI4PEP initiative from our partners in ASIA.

In the third bi-weekly meeting for Team ASIA, teams from India, Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines gathered to share their progress. The meeting focused on sharing achievements, addressing challenges, and discussing future opportunities for collaboration.

Acknowledging the progress made, Prof. Kong appreciated teams with functional governance structures. He emphasized the pivotal role of the Steering Committee in collective fundraising and networking, urging full constitution and active participation.

An opportunity to submit a paper on Artificial Intelligence Governance was announced. Prof. Kong suggested a comparative analysis focusing on Asian countries, inviting India to lead the effort. Data extraction guidance was offered, emphasizing local knowledge and unconventional data sources.

India reported successful field visits and ethical clearance, along with committee deployments. Indonesia's research protocol was under review, awaiting official endorsement. Their proactive approach to disease surveillance, incorporating personal and telemedicine data. Dr. Kong suggested exploring door-to-door surveillance and integrating AI for comprehensive coverage. Malaysia confirmed committee deployments and university budget approval. In the Philippines, internal meetings strategized project initiatives. Preliminary research commenced, focusing on vulnerable communities.

The meeting concluded with an invitation for partners to apply for upcoming conferences convened by the Global Health Institute, fostering further collaboration and knowledge exchange.