

Report of Multi-stakeholder Platforms of FP1.3 in 2016

All project activities were developed to accommodate both individual farmers and farmer groups. In the case of farmer groups, women's groups (clubs) will be among the targeted groups. In the case of individual farmers, information is collected on gender of each farmer answering the questions and receiving a recommendation. This will enable farming advice provided by project/activities to be tailored to the gender of the individual farmer. It would help to identify better ways for using CSA technologies more effectively in reaching and benefiting women in farming households in the future.

In Lao PDR, the activities on seed improvement as well as water harvesting have generated a group of interested farmers (community of practice) who are closely aligned in relevant activities. The contributions of two international volunteers from Cuso International (1 based in Vientiane and 1 in Savannakhet) who are supported by 2 national interns provided a solid foundation for community-based stakeholder platforms.

In Cambodia, the annual workshop of the Project was held in Battambang province with the participation of Provincial Governor's office, provincial line agencies, and Director of Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) and Director of Cambodian Agriculture Research and Development Institute (CARDI) from Phnom Penh. The project approach and tools, and the progress of pilot testing were communicated to these key government stakeholders who are in the position to take up key lessons for provincial and national level scale out.

In Vietnam, the focus was on the CSV community, namely through improving knowledge on the benefits of the different CSA practices, awareness of the different CSA options. Their engagement was achieved through various communication pathways, e.g. checklists on feasibility of different CSA practices within local context/condition those are locally suitable.

Trainings and Multi-stakeholder Events of FP 1.3 in 2016

CSVs Ekxang and Phailom

Name of the Activity	Location/Date	Partners	Description	Training Material (file name)
Farmer Field School and two days training	Phailom 06/2016	IRRI, NAFRI, CUSO, DAFO	Dynamic Crop Calendar information and weather advisory	
Students' Field Visit from SKU to CSV for thesis work	Phailom 06/2016	IRRI, CUSO, SKU	6 students writing Thesis on different topics on CSV activities	
Establishment of Community-based Seedbank Initial training	Phailom 07/2017	IRRI, CUSO, PAFO, DAFO, NAFRI	Towards establishing Quality Seed Production Farmers Group in Pillom	
On-farm Demonstration and Seed Dissemination of New Climate-resilient rice Varieties in Drought-prone and Flood-prone Areas of Central and Southern Laos	Phailom 06/2016	IRRI, ARC, NAFRI, CUSO	Seed distribution and training on rice production of climate smart varieties	
Rapid Market Assessment (Rice) Worksop and report	Phailom 03/ 2016	IRRI, CUSO, NAFRI, PAFO, DAFO	To understand incomes and economic activity profiles at Phailom village for livestock production, rice cultivation and bamboo handicraft – consumption and sales	
Seed Distribution Follow up	Phailom	IRRI, CUSO, ARC	Survey on Impact of climate resilient seed	

Survey	11/2016		distribution	
CCAFS-MOT Tool Training and survey	Phailom + Rohal Suong 12/2016	IRRI, CUSO,	Application of CCAFS-MOT tool	MOT Questionnaires translated into Lao and Cambodian
Seed Fair	12/2016	IRRI, CUSO, NAFRI	Seed fair in order to identify best seeds for farmers group in CSV for on-site production.	See Outcome case study
Monitoring and Evaluation of demonstration sites for home-based vegetable production	Phailom 06/2016	IWMI, NAFRI, PAFO Savannakhet	Discussions and focus group discussion with local authorities and farmers (village head, deputy and women union) to assess and quantify the effect of the vegetable productions on the local livelihoods	
Assessment for possible water management interventions in several villages around Ban Ekxang	Ekxang CSV 06/2016	IWMI, NAFRI, DAFO Phonhong	Surveys with farmers to verify the sustainability of our proposed interventions (pond, tank, solar panels) for small-scale dry season vegetable production in the Vientiane Plain.	

CSVs Rohal Suong

Name of the Activity	Location/Date	Partners	Description	Training Material (file name)
Training workshop on Rice Pest Management	Phnom Penh and field visit in Kandal Province Mar 28-30, 2016	CABI-SEA, GDA, PDA, AS, WorldFish, farmer representative from Rohal Suong	The training covered topics like the identification of major pests and diseases, recommended controls, safe use of chemicals and management of a plant clinic. https://ccafs.cgiar.org/news/plant-doctors-rescue-integrated-pest-management#.WKp-kPL0dqO	
Training on Different Options of Rice Straw Management	Don Bosco Model Farm, Battambang Apr 30, 2016	IRRI, Don Bosco, AS, PDA, community committees and famers	The topics of training are including straw baling and straw incorporation to the soil as well as using the straw for better feeding, Mushroom production, Biochar production, and energy source. (https://ccafs.cgiar.org/news/cambodia-climate-smart-village-works-improve-rice-straw-management-practices#.WKpvjPL0eY0)	
Plant Clinic Launching Workshop	Rohal Suong, June 04, 2016	CABI-SEA, WorldFish, PDA, AS, commune and village authorities, and Rohal Suong farmers	It provided the introduction of plant clinic concept, plant clinic operation and the detailed information on the common pests and disease affecting local rice crops. After the presentation, farmers then presented samples of infected crops to the plant health advisors, who provided information on how to treat each pest and how to	

			<p>prevent pest outbreaks in the future.</p> <p>https://ccafs.cgiar.org/news/plant-clinic-established-cambodia-climate-smart-village-address-crop-pests#.WKqBaPL0dqP</p>	
Training on Rice Seed Selection	Rohal Suong, Jul 08, 2016	PDA, AS, commune and village authorities, and Rohal Suong farmers	The training showed the purpose and advantage of rice seed selection, cleaning techniques, and needed materials; and then followed by real practices.	
Training on Rice Farming and Improved Rice Production Techniques	Rohal Suong, Aug 20, 2016	PDA, AS, commune and village authorities, and Rohal Suong farmers	This training covered several topics including farmer preparation, crop monitoring, farm management, usage of fertilization, pest and disease management.	
Workshop on Introduction of Agroforestry Concept	Rohal Suong, Oct 12, 2016	Forestry Administration, PDA, DEA, AS, WorldFish, commune and village authorities, and Rohal Suong farmers	This workshop provided an introduction of agroforestry concept and advantage of agroforestry. It also provided the instruction and techniques of tree plantation, crop rotation methods.	Implement Steps: Agroforestry Pilot Project
Rice Harvesting Demonstration	Don Bosco Model Farm, Battambang	Don Bosco, AS, PDA, community committees and	The demonstration showed the rice harvest techniques, drying tools, drying process and storage techniques.	

	Nov 19, 2016	farmers		
Land Laser Levelling Demonstration	Sang Khe District, Battambang Nov 26, 2016	MAFF, Don Bosco, AS, PDA, community committees and farmers	The demonstration showed the purpose and advantage of land laser levelling, tools, procedure and real practices.	
The annual workshop of the Project: "Climate-smart Villages in the Mekong Basin: Defining an Innovative and Comprehensive Approach for Catalyzing Roll-out of Large-scale Adoption"	Battambang, Nov 23-24, 2016	Provincial Governor's office, provincial line agencies, Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE), Cambodian Agriculture Research and Development Institute (CARDI), CSV team (IRRI, WorldFish, IWMI), AS, PDA, commune and district authorities, farmers	The workshop provides a place to share the process and lessons of CSV implementation and CSA piloting to CSV team and stakeholders. The project approach and tools, and the process of pilot testing were communicated to these key government stakeholders who are in the position to take up key lessons for provincial and national level scale out.	
Reflection Workshop on CSA Pilot Implementation	Battambang Dec 27-28, 2016	WorldFish, PDA, DAE, AS, community	The main objectives of workshop are to 1) reflect on the CSV implementation process and organizational arrangements to find out what is	

		committee, village and commune authorities, school teacher, district of Agriculture Office, and participants from LAO (DAFO and CUSO)	going well and what should be improved; 2) analyze villagers' perception of the actual costs and benefits of CSA implementation; and 3) generate and document the key experiences and lessons from the CSV/CSA implementations for 2017 planning and CSV scale out.	
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CSV Tra Hat

Name of the Activity	Location/Date	Partners	Description	Training Material (file name)
Survey on distribution and possible improvement of rice varieties to cope with climate change impacts (contract for CLRRI)	Tra Hat CSV April 2017	CLRRI, DARD, IRRI	FGD and KII with local authorities and farmers (village head, deputy and women union) to recognize stress-tolerance rice varieties, its farming management and possible improvement of these varieties	
Workshop on adaptation strategy for Bac Lieu	Bac Lieu March 2017	IRRI, CTU	To reviewing integrated adaptation of Bac Lieu within CLUES project and developing of adaptation plan/strategy in short/medium/long term and its implementation plan for Bac Lieu	
Participatory salinity mapping	Tra Hat CSV March 2017	CCAFS SEA, CTU, DARD	Working with local farmer to map salinity and flooding risk area and optimize adaptation HH land use options in Tra Hat CSV	
Information-sharing meeting (After roving workshop/cross site visits to Rohal Suong)	Tra Hat CSV	DARD, and village leader	Sharing of lessons and experiences of social mobilization and participatory approaches in CSV/CSA implementation	