

# GEF-Satoyama Subgrantee Highlights Report

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### < Highlight 1>: Community Mapping

One Mae Umpai community already completed their mapping exercises. This was found to be beneficial to the community and the surrounding communities, because the head of Tambol administrator requested that all communities in the Mae Tho Tambol area be covered in the mapping exercise as well. IMPECT has committed to the administrator to extend the mapping exercises as requested in a second phased of the project which is dependent on funding opportunities. The other two communities are working to get theirs completed as well.

## < Highlight 2>: ILK transfer from Elders to young people

The three communities established elders group for the role of transferring ILK to young people in the communities and young students at school. The content for the knowledge transfer is already clear. Another aspect is that the elders particularly HI Kho (traditional leaders) and elder's council have resuscitated their traditional roles and started to use customary laws again. Elders are confident about their knowledge and roles and returning back to their traditional positions.

# < Highlight 3>: Studies on traditional knowledge and livelihoods

Studies were done to compile the varieties of vegetables for food based on the seasons calendar of rotational farming and community forest. The methods of traditional cooking and innovation by locals and people from the outside including professional chefs have obtained their ingredients from RF (local materials) and adapted them into newly styled innovative dishes. These activities are contained in a book, titled "Food in Rotational Farming/ Taj auf le Quv/ อาหารในไว้หมุนเวียน" which is a way to promote RF both internally and externally. We plan to publish it during the period October - December 2017. This content will also be used in the environment curriculum and in practice.

## <Highlight 4>: Special training for youth

A special training for young people (males and females) was held to assist them in becoming young organic farmers based on self-reliance, and develop local employment and enterprise based on local knowledge and innovation. After the next harvest, the self-sufficient economic activities will be done.

## <Highlight 5>: Outreach Activities

Articles were published in Thai in Bangkok business (Self-sufficient honey), The Greenery (Real taste of coffee), The cloud (Two chefs), and in Conservation book (Human and bees create nature and forest). Members attended the 13th International Conference of Thai study from 16-18 July 2017 organized by Ethnic Study for Development, Social Science Chiang Mai University (CMU), and Thai studies all over the world. The 13th International Conference on Thai Studies aims to encourage Thai and international scholars to reflect upon Thai society. The GEF-Satoyama Chiang Mai project team attended and shared ideas about social economy in the conference and manned a booth displaying byproducts from the three target communities (Haw-waw-por) to communicate their stories in the event. From July 27-30, 2017 members attended the Organic Expo 2017, Haw Waw Phaw, our brand was displayed in this Expo to sell products and promote our brand. From August 8-9, 2017 at the Indigenous day fair in CMU, members attended this event to showcase aspects of the organic products and innovation to other indigenous groups and interested persons.

### **Photos**





Collection of vegetables from Rotational Farming areas. ©IMPECT/Boonsri Chalkanok





Soap Making activity conducted by women. ©IMPECT/Boonsri Chalkanok





Community Mapping exercises by villagers. ©IMPECT/Surachai Thaweecharernporn

