

Activity Report (Summary version)

Fiscal Year	FY 2019
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Name of Organization	Cambodian Center for Study and Development in Agriculture (CEDAC)	Applied Amount
		1,000,000- (JPY)
		Granted Amount
		1,000,000- (JPY)
Project Title	Organic farming program of Ponlok Baitong Organic Farm School (PBT) to Build “happy and prosperous community (Sahakum Sambo Sabay <S3>)”	Country which project was operated
		Cambodia

About organization and granted activity

■ About organization (Such as Year of establishment, Vision, Name of main activity >

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CEDAC is a local NGO that was established in 1997 and registered at the Ministry of Interior in 1998. CEDAC envisions a Cambodian society where small-scale farmers enjoy good living conditions and maintain strong mutual cooperation, with the rights and power to determine their own destinies and with the capacity to play an important role in supplying healthy food for a whole society. CEDAC focuses on: a) sustainable, organic agriculture; b) food security, nutrition, climate change and natural resources; c) income generation and market linkage for small producers; d) empowerment of farmer organizations; and e) land and natural resources tenure of indigenous people.

■ Done activity by NPF Grant * Within 1000 characters

The project team worked with farmers in Takeo, Kampong Speu, Kampot, Kampong Chhnang, Kampong Cham, Pursat, Prea Vihear and Kandal provinces on improving the production and marketing of farm products including organic rice, vegetable, fruits (dragon fruit, passion fruit, papaya, durian), chicken raising, pig raising, taro and turmeric. The project coordinator (PC) conducted regular weekly field visit to farmers in all target provinces to advise and train farmers on improved farming practices and organic standards. 5 field assistants and 5 farmer leader volunteers assisted PC in organized group meetings at village level and meeting in Phnom Penh. To avoid big gathering due to covid 19 outbreak, we met with farmers individually at their farms. Due to difficulty in meeting with farmers, we focused more on producing video clips on good farmers and their best practices. The project conducted study and documentation of farming practices for wider dissemination to other farmers, mainly through social media (facebook) as video clip and written text. Producing profile of 100 good farmers for sharing to other farmers. We conducted market study on supply, demand, prices of vegetables, and sharing update market information and prices of products.

■ Output or Outcome * Within 1000 characters

We have worked directly with about 500 farmers and indirectly with about 400 organic rice farmers through organic rice producer group leaders. We also supported about 40 young village people to receive training and internship at Ponlok Baitong Organic Farm School. We have produced 38 video clips on fruits, organic rice, chicken, fish, vegetable, coconut, earth worm culture, green manure, etc. The profiles of farmers were posted in facebook of CEDAC and Sambo sabay. We also guided farmers on how to use smart phone to share information. Initial impacts of the project are: 1) Information on successful farmers has been widely shared in the public and many people contacted these successful farmers. The feedback from farmers and number of people viewed the video clips produced by the project are good indicators. The number of viewers per video clip was around 1,000 - max. 500,000; 2) Many farmers are able to increase their sale of products. 5 Dragon fruit farmers in Kampong Cham and Takeo, 20 Passion fruits farmers in Kampot, 2 Fish fingerlings and baby chicken producers in Kampot; 3) Farmers are connected with each other and with consumers and traders. Initial networks with farmers were established.

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