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1. Activities in this month

- OJT of counterparts through pilot activities (10 projects) in 4 villages of 1st pilot (supervision of pilot works and improvement of winter crops cultivation skills)
- Start 2nd pilot activities (Selection of pilot farmers, conduct training of terrace construction)
- Consultation about the second plan of the method, preparing for training for BAIDC members
- Preparation of Sensitization program according to the roadmap for institutionalization of new methods
- Preparation of conducting follow-up activities of 1st pilot
- Publicity activities through Facebook

2. Activities Photos

- As shown on the next page

Project activity photos



Follow-up of the 1st pilot activities

As a follow-up to the 1st pilot site, a monitoring of pilot farmers activities was regularly conducted with BAIDC members. Activities related to improving broom grass productivity and producing and selling areca nut saplings were confirmed at Buhchangphai. (Buhchangphai, shot on March 5, 2020)



Conduct terrace construction training to improve productivity (Tlamsam)

Champhai BAIDC members of LRSWCD conducted terrace construction on slopes training for five pilot farmers based on the BAIDC Annual Plan in the 2nd pilot village. (Tlamsam, shot on March 18, 2020)



Conduct terrace construction training to improve productivity (Lamchip)

BAIDC members of LRSWCD conducted terrace construction of Chayote training based on the BAIDC Annual Plan in the 2nd pilot village. Based on the guidance provided in the training, pilot farmers plan to construct their own terraces before the rainy season. (Lamchip, shot on March 11, 2020)



Pilot Construction

Pilot work by nine contracts (four contractors, five communities) has progressed, leaving only three contractors. Intermediate measurements and final measurements are conducted jointly with the staff on IWRD, and technical guidance is continued as appropriate. (Buhchangphai, shot on March 5, 2020)



Coordination meeting for selecting the 2nd pilot farmers

BAIDC members of Aibawk have agreed to increase the number of pilot farmers for the rainy season from the initial plan for the implementation of 2nd pilot activities. All four departments members attended the meeting. (Aizawl, shot on March 16, 2020)



Joint field survey for selecting the 2nd pilot farmers

Field surveys by BAIDC members were conducted again on March 2 and 19 to select pilot farmers to improve the productivity of WRC and slope area cultivation. (Tlamsam, shot on March 19, 2020)