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FOREWORD

This report includes all the papers and presentations, which were delivered by members of the Thailand Working Group on Community Forestry at the Regional Community Forest Management Workshop in Ho Chi Minh City from 27-29 March 2000.

This report is part of a five-part set, which also encompasses:

- Volume 1: Community Forest Management Working Groups 2000 in Cambodia, Thailand & Vietnam: Status Report and Workplan (Main Report)
- Volume 2: Cambodia Working Group Papers and Presentations
- Volume 3: Vietnam Working Group Papers and Presentations
- Volume 5: Papers and Presentations by International Organizations/Projects

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Presentation of RECOFTC Thailand
Thailand Community Forestry Outreach Program (TOP)
Presentation by Atttjala Roongwong, Programme Officer
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TOP plays a role as an academic institution in Thailand

Objectives:

1. To increase capability and understanding of CF personnel (from community-level to country-level)
2. To strengthen and support other networks and institutes working on CF
3. To building up scientific and social knowledge, tools, and practical techniques to work in CF under the specific circumstances in Thailand
4. To support the development of an enabling environment for CF development
5. To increase linkage between program within RECOFTC and facilitate study trips for project personnel and groups in Asia-pacific Region

Activities

Networking

- to create an effective system of disseminating and exchanging information and strengthening cooperation among GOs, NGOs, Academics, and community leaders.

Training

- international, regional and local levels
- Develop and learn innovative knowledge and techniques through training/seminar

Action Research

- Base on supporting technical knowledge and field techniques.
- 15 Pilot sites with communities and collaborative agencies to encourage to develop local database system for support CF management

Education

- Link to school environmental education, teaching-learning materials support.

Cooperation and facilitation support

- In particular for workshops, seminars, conferences.
- Several academic institutions mostly do similar main activities to support and strengthen CF management in Thailand.
- Provide technical input/personal development.
- Facilitate in forums.
- Conduct action research in related issues needed for community forestry support, advocacy.

Outputs of the Thailand Working Group

Session 1 (Day 2)

CFM Opportunities

Policy

- Proposed CF bill
- Land rights provision
- Forestry Law Revision

Projects:

- Current watershed management
- CF Action research
- Self-awareness building
- Farm forestry

Institutions:

- RFD
- Tambon Administrative Organization (TAO)
- NGOs
- Academic Institutions (KU, CMU, etc.)
- International Organizations
- MRC, IUCN, WRI, ICRAF

Selected topic for WG Focus:

- Strengthening community organizations

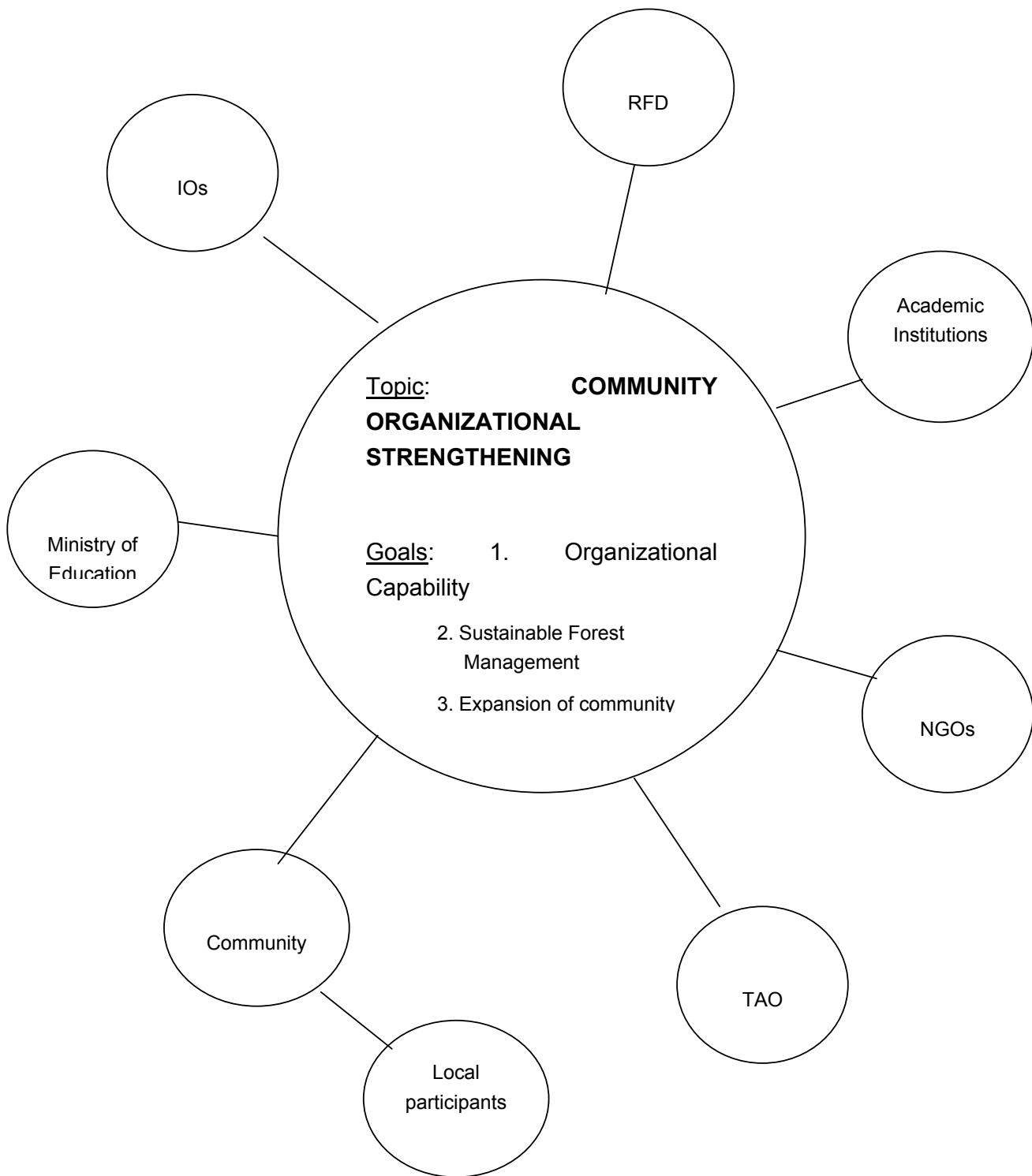
Goal:

- Increase organization capacity
- Sustainable forest management
- Expansion of community networks

Reasons:

- Insufficient know-how
- Ready to implement

Venn Diagram



Outputs of the Thailand Working Group

Session 2 (Day 2)

TOPIC: Community Organization Strengthening

KEY ELEMENTS:

- Traditional Cultural Practices
- Social conflicts
- Group interests
- Community perception
- Community acceptance
- Insufficient know-how

TARGET INSTITUTIONS

- Communities
 - Village committee
 - Informal leaders
 - Local organizations
- TAO (Tambon Administrative Organization)
- NGOs
- Academic Institutions
- RFD
- IOs

DESIRED IMPACT

- Better Understanding of CFM concepts
- Better cooperation and linkages
- General commitment

PRESENTATION FORMS (5)

- Meeting / Workshop
- People's Forum
- Lobbying
- Study tour
- Village voice

Outputs of the Thailand Working Group Session 3 (Day 3)

STEP 1: SET UP WG, INCLUDING:

- RFD
- WFT
- RECOFTC
- DOLA/local branch (TAO)
- SMRP
- REPSI (WRI)
- IUCN

STEP 2: WG STRATEGIES AND ATTRACTIVENESS

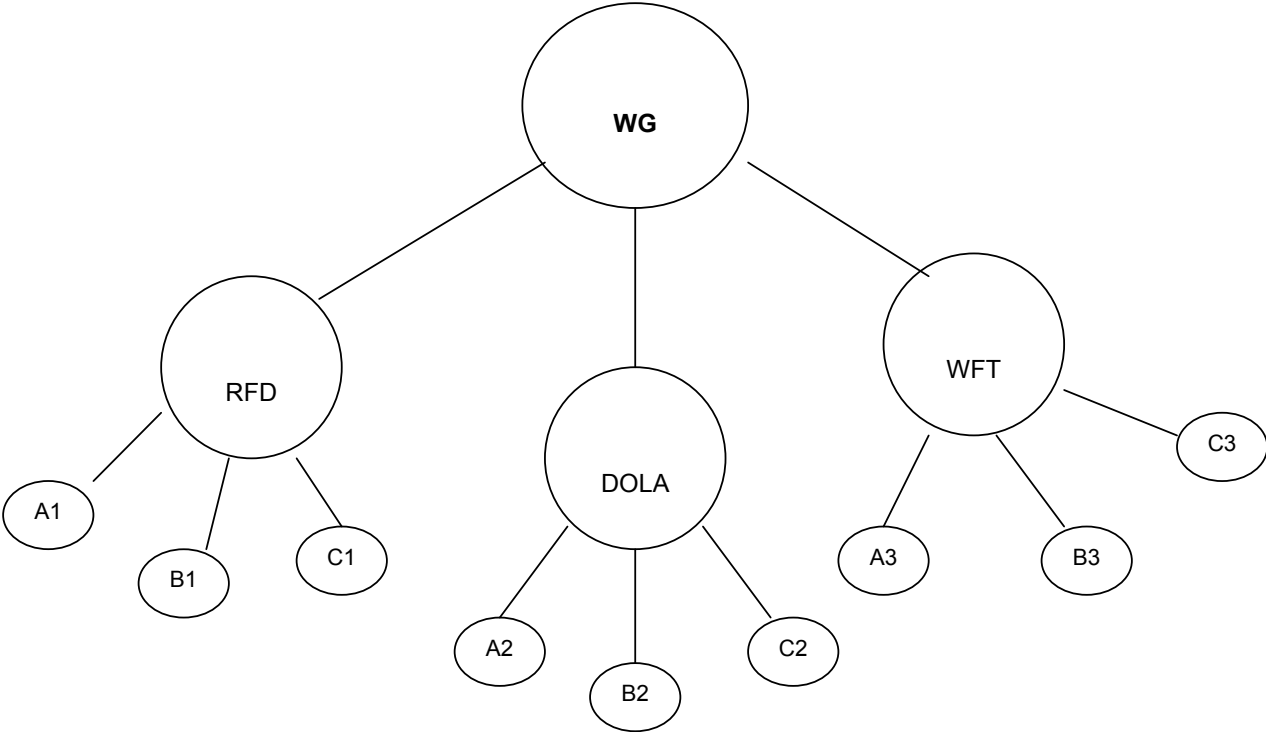
- benefit sharing:
 - + voluntarily
 - + incentives:
 - per diem, Fuel
 - interests
 - knowledge
- public relation
- multilevel networking
- mission clarification
- increase WG. Efficiency

Topic: Strengthening Community Organization

STEP 3: TARGET AREA

Upper PING Watershed

MULTILEVEL NETWORKING



Step 4: Work plan 2000 – 2001

Activities	2000				2001				FINANCIAL SUPPORT	
	1 - 3	4 - 6	7 - 9	10-12	1 - 3	4 - 6	7 - 9	10-12	WG	OUTSIDE
1. Administration		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RFD • DOLA • WFT • RECOFTC • REPSI • IUCN • SMRP • TAO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AFN • ----- • ----- • ----- • ???
2. Documentation		■		■		■	■			
3. Public relation		■	■	■	■	■	■			
4. Field outreach			■	■	■	■	■			
5. Training/Study tour/workshop			■	■	■	■	■			