

### The Vetiver Grass Cultivation Campaign and Promotion for Land Resources Rehabilitation in Thung Kula RongHai Plain: Case study in Chumphon-Buri District, Surin Province, Thailand

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## **Introduction**



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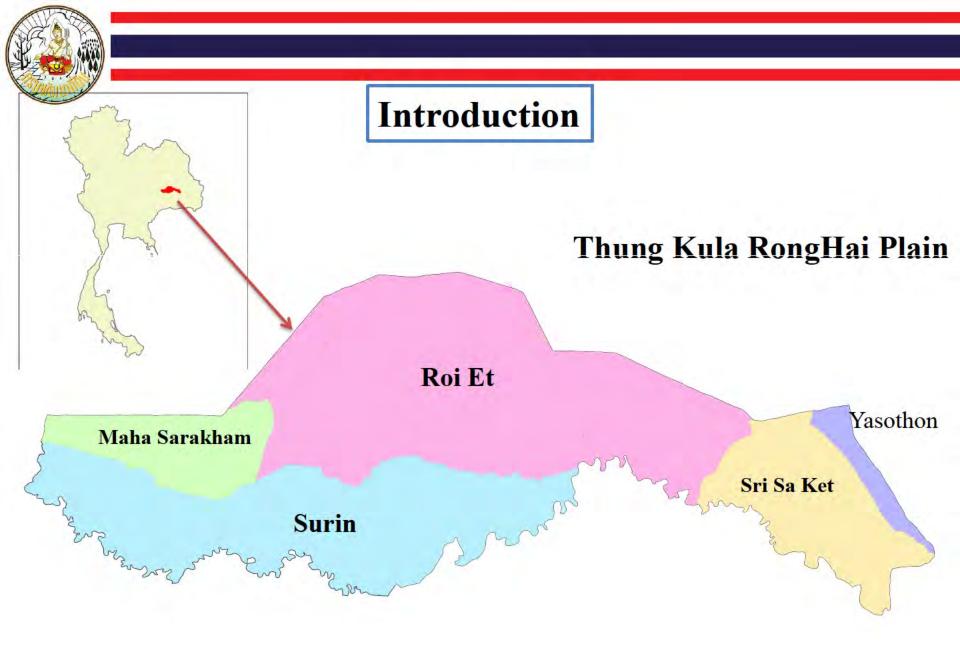














### Thung Kula RongHai Plain



The deterioration of soil resources

- □ drought in the dry season
- ☐ floods in the rainy season







### **Surin province**

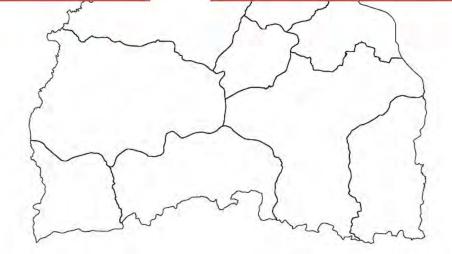


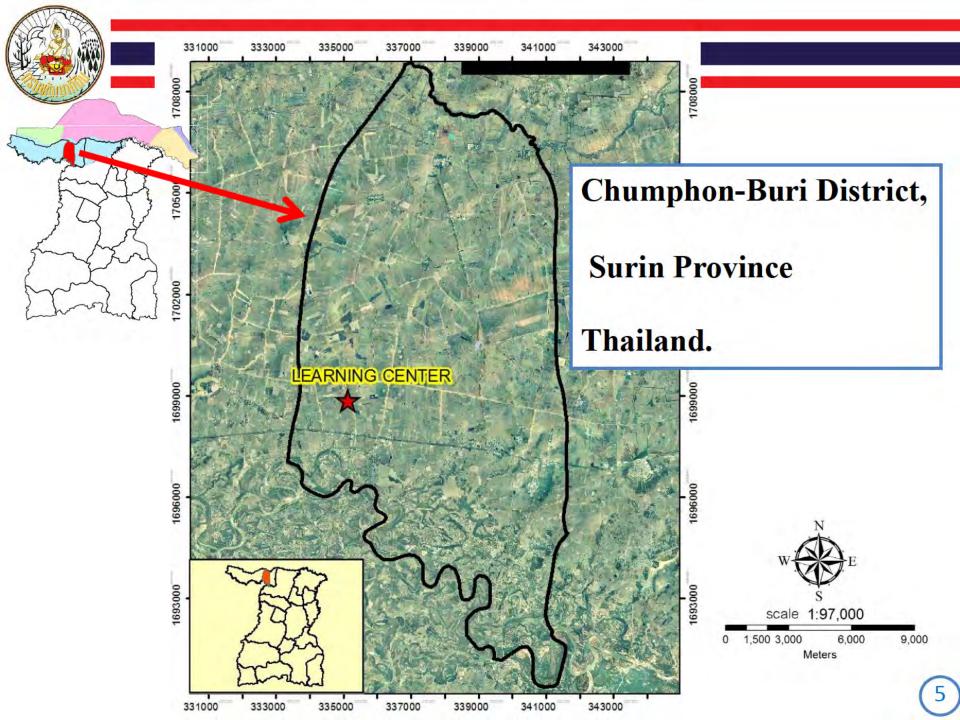
**Chumphon-Buri District** 

64,064 ha

**Tha Toom District** 

28,094.8 ha







## **Vetiver Grass**



Prevent soil erosion



Increase soil moisture



**Land Resources Rehabilitation** 







# **Objective**

The aim of this paper was to demonstrate the outcome of the campaign and promotion of vetiver grass cultivation in Chumphon-Buri District, Surin Province Thailand.













Methodology





## Methodology



training and workshops

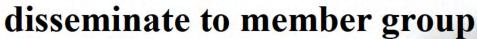
farmer build



Successful farmers





















### Methodology

### 1. Targets group and Site description

Farmers in Nanongphai Sub-District, Chumphon-Buri District, and people in the nearby areas.







### 2. Framework for project implementation

- Address: Home ID 246, sub-district No. 3, Kra-Buang Village, Nanongphai Sub-district, Chumphon-Buri District, Surin Province, Thailand
  - ☐ The project implementation was started at learning center since 2012 until now.



## 3. Project implementation

### Mission of Land Development Department

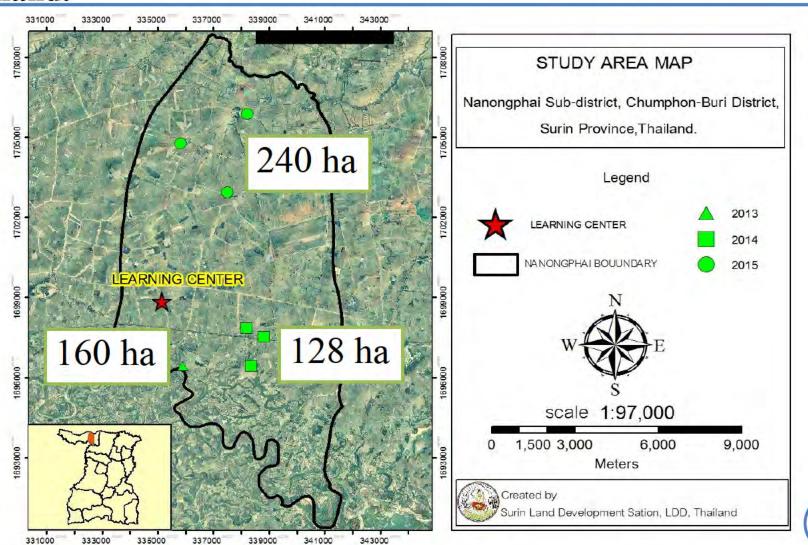
- □ Soil and water conservation.
- ☐ Soil rehabilitation and improvement.

Surin Land Development Station plan organized for campaign and promotion green manure cropping and vetiver seedlings, soil and water conservation systems.

Project / Event	2013		2014		2015	
niojest, Lient	quantity	time	quantity	time	quantity	time
Soil analysis (sample)	100	Jan-May	150	Jan-May	150	Jan-May
campaign and promotion green manure cropping (ton)	50	Dec 2013- Jun 2014	50	Dec 2013- Jun2014	40	Dec 2013- Jun 2014
Construction of pond (pond)	17	Jan-May	19	Jan-May	19	Jan-May
Improve acid soil by dolomite (ha)	16	Jan – Jun	16	Jan – Jun	16	Jan – Jun
soil and water conservation systems (ha)	144	Jan-May	112	Jan-May	224	Jan-May



#### Locations of implementation area and learning center point in at Nanongphai Sub-district, Chumphon-Buri District, Surin Province Thailand.

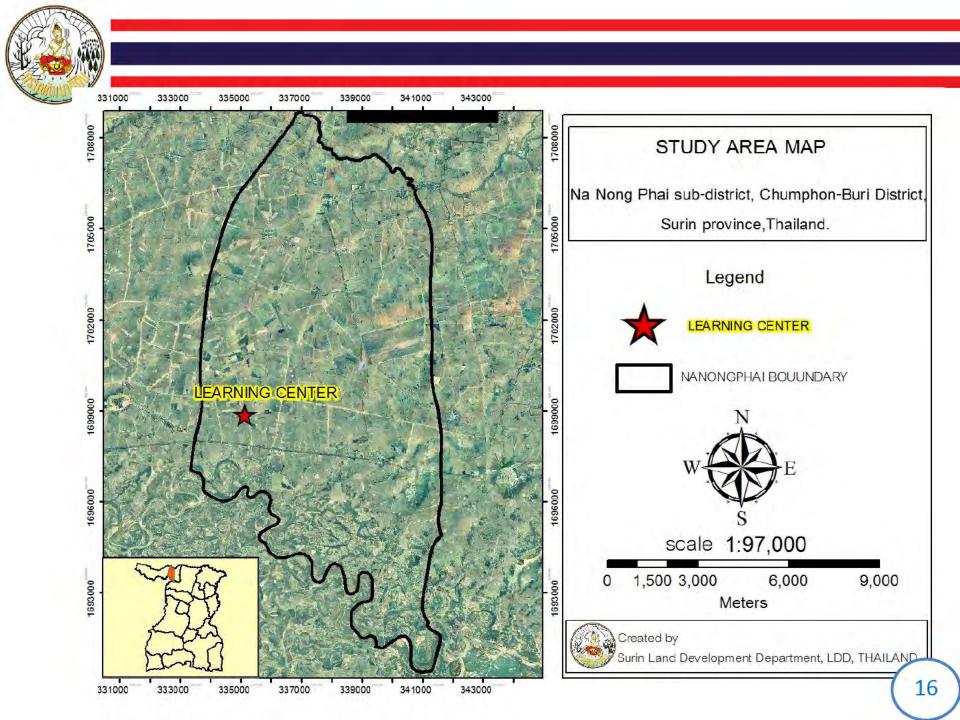




### 4. The success of the project

The concept of developing master farmer to under "The rice agricultural settlement project" by constructing the learning center model.







# **Soil Taxonomy**: Fine, mixed, semiactive, isohyperthermic Aeric (Plinthic) Endoaqualfs

# Soil properties before study

Depth (cm)	OM (%)	Avail.P (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Avail.K (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	рН	Texture
0-25	0.7	2.6	11.5	4.8	Sandy loam



#### □ Problem

- Soil texture is sandy loam
- Low soil fertility



high production costs







How to fix the problem for development in this study

area













Growing of Vetiver for improves soil and soil and water

conservation











Composting by Leaves of vetiver grass





# Sustainability of farmers to utilize the vetiver grass (knowledge transfer and Acceptance)











### the learning center before start project









## The learning center after start project

















This learning center have been Regional Awards "Contest of Vetiver grass cultivation excellent" organized by Land Development Department in 2014



Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn visited here.

And she met the farmers, that produce royal rice seeds.

on 27 October 2014



This learning center produce royal rice seeds for the Chaipattana foundation







On 27 October, 2014, Dr. Sumet Tantivejkul, Secretary - General of the Chaipattana Foundation, visited here.



Director of Land Development Department visited here and materials delivered in the production of organic fertilizers to member of farmers this here on 13 February 2015

# Training and knowledge sharing for students, farmers, Governments and Organizations visited this here





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# Soil properties after study

Depth (cm)	OM (%)	Avail.P (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Avail.K (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )	рН	Texture
0-25	1.1	10.5	16.6	5.8	Sandy loam



## **Production costs for rice seed**

	Transplanted rice	Seed rice
Production cost before (USD)	737.5	656.3
Production cost after	525.0	481.3
Reduce (USD)	212.5	175.1
Rice yield (ton/ha)	3.3	2.3



### **SUMMARY**

- ☐ Vetiver grass help to adjust soil structure and soil moisture
- ☐ Vetiver grass has been propagated and distributed to farmers and members
- ☐ The learning center accepted for interested public













## Participatory action research process

has three major steps

- 1) Preparing a coordinated community.
- Qualifying for the community and build better relationships with the community,
- 2) Pay attention to the community to acknowledge the problems and needs of the community, and
- 3) Community solutions. The process of implementation, evaluation and development.



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