

#### **Objective of Project**

- To support education and abandonned youth in order to obtain professional skill for their ownself job
- To increase local careers and reduce migration
- To enhance extension network and education in local youth community in order to increase food security and income generation.

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#### **Duration and Activity of Project**

- Project period: 3 years (2011-2013)
- Activity: Train on Crop Rotation System to small scale household (Rice, Corn, Mungbean,,,)

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- Enroll: Oct. 1st, 2012 to Aug. 2nd, 2013 (10 months)
- Study (theory in class): 30 to 50%
- Practice (field demonstration and own house):
  - 50 to 70%



### **Student Selection Criteries**

- Youth abandonning ordinary education and preferring to study in agriculture
- Students studying and interesting in MFR's course (they attended when no official class)
- Youth are be able to read and write in Khmer (from end of primary school or over)
- Their age varies from 15 to 27 years old
- Women are encouraged
- Prefer to study in agriculture
- Willing to obtain personal skills

#### Youth School Establishment Procedure

- Disseminate (authority, stakeholders, community) the MFR project and the advantage of the youth school
- Conduct the Training Need Assessment/TNA (1-2 months)
- Announcement on the project start up and students selection (1 month)
- Recruite Trainers (Commune Extension Worker/ASEC) (2-3 weeks)
- Training of Trainers/ToT (2 weeks)
- Prepare the course layout, classroom and field demonstration
- Training course starting

Curriculum	
A- General knowledge (1 week, 30 hours)	
Sport (2 hours)	
Biology (2 hours)	
Practice (2 hours)	
Geography and History (2 hours)	
Khmer language (4 hours)	
Mathematic (4 hours)	
Agricultural technique (10 hours)	
Food processing (4 hours)	
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## Curriculum **B-Agricultural Technique (skill)** Rice Crop (SRI) Vegetables Mushroom growing Post-harvest technology on rice crop • Pig raising • Fish raising **C-Practice** Demonstration Ownself

#### **Training Lay-out Technical Training** 6 hrs/ day • 3 hrs/morning + 3 hrs/ afternoon Practicing "Da Poc" seedling Transplanting (SRI) The total of 28 youth students(Female 10): - Abandonned student 22 (Female 7) - Official studying student 6 (Female 3)



### **Constraints**

- Understanding of the project is limited by both farmers and MFR's staff
- Students were busy with their own family and to sale labor to make money (17-20= 65%)
- Migration to find jobs (factories...)
- More students are willing to study but the class is far from their home (3 communes have only 1 class).

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# **Reccomendation and Suggestion**

- Widely disseminate the MFR project to the community in target area
- Student amount in classroom should be 10-15 persons
- Class location should respond to the real situation
- Organize the field visit/study related to the training topics at public and private farm or company (learn and get more experience)
- Capacity building and strenthening the M&E system of the training program to MFR association
- Create training course on off-farm skill (processing, tailor/ sewing, small scale mechanic repairing...)
- Continue to seek supporting partners
- AFD should support MFR project to spread out more target areas in Cambodia (poorest area). 12