C. THAILAND

COUNTRY SUMMARY

In Thailand 8 institutions were visited, three are government agencies, three university departments or faculties, one a bi-laterally funded project and one an ICRAF research project. All are involved with tree domestication activities, particularly: species collection and testing; propagation and germplasm issues; training; and information production and distribution. ICRAF and the Highland Economic and Social Development Promotion Office (HESD) focus on smallholder systems for upland communities. The Multiple Cropping Centre, the Faculty of Forestry in Kasetsart University and the Soil Science Department at Khon Kaen University also focus on smallholder systems but are not limited to the uplands. Through its agroforestry activities, the Silvicultural Research Division is involved with smallholder tree farming systems. Forest Genetic Resources Conservation and Management Project (FORGENMAP) and the Forest Nursery Division have the mandate and ability to supply germplasm of a broad array of species. The Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Nursery Division have strong training and information distribution activities. None of the organizations have a major focus on tree domestication, but they are involved in incorporating valuable tree species into smallholder systems in both the uplands and lowlands. Generally the focus is on timber, fruit or species with high-value products. There is a strong emphasis on indigenous species, Acacia, Eucalyptus and Tectona grandis. Most of the organizations feel there is good opportunity for a 'smallholder tree domestication' effort to make positive contribution to on-going work across Thailand. Focal species specified by institutions are summarized on an institutional and Thailand basis in Annex III and V. Institutional tree domestication capacity and the primary institutional strengths for Thailand are summarized in Annex VIII and X.

LIST OF ORGANISATIONS VISITED

- 1. Faculty of Forestry, Kasetsart University
- 2. Forest Genetic Resources Conservation and Management Project (FORGENMAP)
- 3. Forest Nursery Division
- 4. Highland Economic and Social Development Promotion Office (HESD)
- 5. ICRAF Mae Chaem Watershed Research Site
- 6. Multiple Cropping Center, University of Chiang Mai
- 7. Silviculture Research Division
- 8. Soil Science Department, Khon Kaen University

PROFILES ON ORGANISATIONS

1. Faculty of Forestry, Kasetsart University

Kasetsart University, founded in 1943, has nine faculties, one of which is Forestry. The Forestry Faculty has an academic staff of 53 and offers degree programs at undergraduate levels. lt undertakes research, extension and development/transfer activities with rural communities. Regular workshops and training programs are conducted for government officials and farmers. The research priorities are: species exploration, collection and evaluation; tree improvement; vegetative propagation; germplasm multiplication, conservation and distribution; silviculture; and wood processing and utilization. The Faculty's experience indicates that the species types for smallholder domestication are fast growing timbers, fruit trees and medicinal plants. All of these species types have a firm commercial value. One species worth specific note is Garcinia cambogia; it has high potential for domestication due to its medicinal properties and Many farmers use indigenous timber species, which have not yet be adequately studied. Some smallholders utilize Acacia and Eucalyptus species for farm-level wood production, but other exotics - specifically hybrids - are still not familiar to smallholders.

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Forest Genetic Resources Conservation and Management Project (FORGENMAP)

FORGENMAP is a bilateral project between the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC) and Danish Cooperation for Environment and Development (DANCED) operated through the Research Office of the Royal Forest Department. The project started in 1997 with an initial phase of 3 years. It is mandated to: i) maintain and protect biodiversity; ii) conserve and sustainably manage forest genetic resources; iii) establish regular supply of good quality forest seed; and iv) create awareness of the need and benefits of using good quality seed. The activities are coordinated through four regional seed centers. Seed sources used by the project are identified by the Forest Department and by people or organizations familiar with high quality mother trees or stands. Once collected, seed stocks are stored at the four seed centers, from where they are distributed to private industry and farmers. The project also collaborates with private companies, some of which have their own tree improvement programs. Some of these firms even export seeds. Most of the species targeted in FORGENMAP activities are indigenous, but there is also a strong emphasis on fast growing exotics for industrial use, mainly Acacia hybrids, Eucalyptus grandis, Eucalyptus camaldulensis and Eucalyptus urophylla. The project has conducted a series of national workshops to identify priority species for different key purposes industrial use, local non-wood use, soil and water conservation, biodiversity protection - for the major ecozones of the country. Total annual seed demand has been forecast fo a fouryear period. This data is useful to formulate a long-term seed production and management program.

Forest Genetic Resources Conservation and Management Project (FORGENMAP)

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3. Forest Nursery Division

The Nursery Division is under the Forestry Research Office of the Royal Forest Department. It has a staff of 80 and well-equipped laboratories and training facilities. The division's main function is to: i) increase the supply and production of quality seedlings to meet the demands from the government and local communities; ii) establish model community forests; and iii) accelerate reforestation programs by training government officers, local leaders and village groups. The division is involved in species exploration and collection; species and progeny evaluation and testing; germplasm collection, multiplication and distribution; and training and information dissemination. It works closely with other institutions, including FORGENMAP. There are 13 central nurseries, 4 of which were formerly supported by JICA. Each nursery has the capacity to produce five million seedlings per year.

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4. Highland Economic and Social Development Promotion Office (HESD)

Since 1994 HESD is engaged in supporting tribal development in 14 provinces of North Thailand. It has a staff of 600 working in 14 provincial centers. It follows an integrated approach to manage watersheds with people's participation, towards a goal of forest conservation and reclamation of degraded areas. A main focus is reforestation with horticultural crops to replace opium cultivation. Focal species include: Coffea arabica (coffee), Camellia sinensis (tea), Litchi chinensis (lychee), Mangifera indica (mango) and vegetables. Other tree crops are not main components of the present models, but are recognized as important. Tree crops such as Tectona grandis (teak), bamboos, rattans, Artocarpus heterophyllus (jackfruit), Arenga pinnata (sugar palm), Xanthoxyllum lemonella are considered to have high potential. A major hindrance to utilizing these and other candidate trees is a paucity of germplasm and technical information for the area (uplands) and audience (farmers and extension workers).

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5. ICRAF Mae Chaem Watershed Research Site

ICRAF's activities in Thailand, funded by the Ford Foundation, are concerned with identifying socially and environmentally appropriate watershed management methods under the de facto patchwork of government-private ownership and objectives that are common in most upland areas. Activities are focused on Mae Chaem watershed in Northern Thailand with particular emphasis on plant biodiversity and indigenous knowledge. ICRAF's community watershed mosaic approach attempts to reduce shifting agriculture and upland rice cultivation by expanding forest resources through the cultivation of valuable forest trees or horticultural crops such Mangifera indica (mango), Dimocarpus longan (longan) and ICRAF could assist national tree domestication efforts by Durio zibethinus (durian). strengthening or developing linkages with organizations or networks already concerned with smallholder domestication activities. The Kings Project that operates under the Royal Project Foundation, a re-known field-oriented program, could serve as a contact point for a national smallholder tree domestication initiative. In the Thai-context, the ICRAF program feels domestication should focus on the crucial areas of: forest and horticultural species selection and testing; diversification of the current systems; germplasm production and distribution; post-harvest processing and storage technologies; and product marketing. There is a great potential for incorporation of high value trees, specifically forest or horticultural species, into smallholder upland systems in North Thailand. To date no project or organization has used the 'smallholder tree domestication' approach to pursue this potential.

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6. Multiple Cropping Center, University of Chiang Mai

The Multiple Cropping Center, University of Chiang Mai has a staff of 3 senior scientists and a 6-ha experimental station where species trials and other research activities are conducted. It is engaged in research on the development of cropping systems for both lowlands and highlands in North Thailand. Lowland cropping systems are mainly based on rice and legumes, while the rainfed upland systems are more diverse, dealing with a wide range of horticultural crops. In these upland systems, both short- and medium-rotation crops are used to provide sustainable incomes to the farmers. The primary short-rotation species include Musa sp. (banana), Annona species and Psidium guajava (guava); the medium-rotation species include Azadirachta indica (neem), Mangifera indica (mango) and Dimocarpus longan (longan). Related to tree domestication activities, the Center has experience in: species exploration, selection and testing; plant propagation; germplasm collection, storage and distribution; and some training and information services. activities are restricted to horticultural crops. In the upland systems timber species are prominent and have potential for further domestication. Tectona grandis (teak) has highest potential as it could be harvested in 6-7 years for finger jointing, picture framing and decorating walls of houses. Citrus species remain unexploited in the north. The Center identifies Citrus grandis (pumillo) as an outstanding choice for export to metropolitan areas. There are many indigenous species with high potential that remain unexplored. Two of these are noteworthy. Xanthoxyllum lemonella produces an edible fruit, which is sold fresh or dried; the seed coat from which is a spice for tenderizing meat. Castanopsis (Chestnut), of which there are 6 species, produce large edible nuts that are favored by rural populations and find a ready local market.

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7. Silviculture Research Division

Silvicultural Research Division is under the Forest Research Office of the Royal Forest Department. It has a technical staff of 120 and is the central organization for silvicultural research in Thailand. Its research activities include: species exploration and collection: tree improvement; propagation and nursery techniques; plantation establishment and management; silvicultural; and agroforestry. Its agroforestry research activities cater to the needs of private reforestation and community forestry development. These activities are where the research division is involved with tree domestication work relevant to smallholders. To assure suitability, the division's agroforestry models are developed with the participation of farmers. This process has identified several priority tree species for farmer agroforestry models. Priority species with a rotation cycle of 5-10 years include: Eucalyptus camaldulensis, Acacia mangium, Acacia auriculiformis, Senna siamea, Casuarina equisetifolia, Casuarina junghuhniana and bamboos. Those with a rotation of 10-20 years are: Azadirachta indica, Azadirachta excelsa, Albizia lebbeck, Albizia procera, Albizia saman, Melia azedarach, Alstonia scholaris, and Parkia sp. Long rotation species. 20-30 year cycles, are: Tectona grandis, Pinus kesiya, Dipterocarpus alatus, Pterocarpus macrocarpus and Chukrasia velutina.

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8. Soil Science Department, Khon Kaen University

The Soil Science Department has 18 academic staff and 1200 students. Its activities are mainly teaching and research. Its major research focus is on soil fertility improvement through the use of the litter of Shorea sp., Azadirachta indica (neem), Sesbania sp., Leucaena sp. and Albizia saman. Farmers indicate to Department staff that they prefer wood and fruit species for on-farm cultivation. Preferred species included: Acacia sp., Eucalyptus sp., Tectona grandis (teak), Artocarpus heterophyllus (jackfruit), Azadirachta indica (neem), Pterocarpus macrocarpus, Mangifera indica (mango), Dimocarpus longan (longan), Litchi chinensis (lychee) and Tamarindus indica (both sweet and sour). The main obstacles to smallholder tree domestication are: a lack of quality planting material; a lack of practical knowledge on multiplication techniques, specifically vegetative methods; limited experience and information concerning tree management under smallholder conditions; and limited information on marketing smallholder tree products.

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D. VIETNAM

COUNTRY SUMMARY

Of the 12 organizations visited in Vietnam, nine are government agencies and three are university faculties or departments. All except one are closely involved with tree domestication activities. Vietnamese Agricultural Science Institute (VASI), College of Agriculture and Forestry (CAF) and Xuan Mai Forestry University are engaged in a broad range of domestication activities that target the needs of smallholders. Although tree domestication is not their main activity, these institutions would be versatile key partners for smallholder domestication activities. The Forest Inventory and Planning Institute (FIPI), Forest Science Sub Institute of South Vietnam (FSSIV), Institute of Agricultural Science of South Vietnam (IAS) and Research Centre for Forest Ecology and Environment (RCFEE) also are strongly involved with activities that encompass part of the domestication continuum and work with smallholders. However, their mandates focus institutional energies on topics other than tree domestication. They would be good secondary partners for information sharing or direct collaboration when common agenda existed. The Research Centre for Forest Tree Improvement (RCFTI), Central Forest Seed Company (CFSC), Forest Research Centre (FRC) and Forest Seed and Planting Materials Enterprise are primarily involved in the collection, production, use and distribution of improved tree germplasm. (There are seven other regional forest seed enterprises across the country). These four germplasm-focused organizations each considers smallholders important secondary clients. Of all those visited, several institutions have a strong emphasis towards industrial species, primarily Acacias, Eucalyptus, Pinus and hybrids. The others have a broader focus that includes industrial, non-industrial, indigenous and multipurpose species. The Department of Botany and Ecology works on the conservation of rare forest plants. It would be a useful partner if such species were identified as suitable components of smallholder domestication systems. Focal species specified by institutions are summarized on an institutional and Vietnam basis in Annex IV and V. Institutional tree domestication capacity and the primary institutional strengths for Vietnam are summarized in Annex IX and X.

Reviewer's note: Besides those species mentioned by the 12 institutions visited during the study there are a number of other species that are managed by smallholder farmers for timber and non-timber products which deserve mention. Foremost among this group are: Aquilaria agallocha, Corypha lecomtei, Cycas circinalis, Cycas rumphii, Gleditsia ferrea, Livistona sp., Nypa fruticans, Oroxylum indicum, Sapindus mukorossi, Sapium sebiferum, Spondias mangifera, Sterculia lychnophora, Strychnos nux-vomica, Taxus baccata, Thea sesanqua and Wrightia tomentosa. Many of these species are lesser-known indigenous species yielding products used in the home and marketed locally. Some of the products are marketed nationally or internationally. Incorporating these species into smallholder activities would have the following advantages: enhancing economic options for smallholders; enriching the species component of smallholder agroforestry systems; and serving as exsitu conservation of biodiversity. As with other species mentioned in the previous section, appropriate propagation and management systems for many of these species are yet to be identified or compiled

LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS VISITED

- 1. Central Forest Seed Company (CFSC)
- 2. College of Agriculture and Forestry (CAF), National University of Ho Chi Minh City
- 3. Department of Botany and Ecology, National University of Ho Chi Minh City
- 4. Forest Inventory and Planning Institute (FIPI)
- 5. Forest Research Centre (FRC)
- 6. Forest Science Sub Institute of South Vietnam (FSSIV)
- 7. Forest Seed and Planting Materials Enterprise
- 8. Institute of Agricultural Science of South Vietnam (IAS)
- 9. Research Centre for Forest Ecology and Environment (RCFEE)
- 10. Research Centre for Forest Tree Improvement (RCFTI)
- 11. Vietnamese Agricultural Science Institute (VASI)
- 12. Xuan Mai Forestry University of Vietnam

PROFILES ON ORGANISATIONS

1. Central Forest Seed Company (CFSC)

The main objective of the Central Forest Seed Company (CFSC) is to produce improved forest tree seed and planting material for government organizations and farmers. There are 9 regional seed enterprises to meet the needs of different parts of the country. The CFSC is the nominal head of the regional enterprises, but each operates independently. Comments here refer to the CFSC exclusively. Seed production areas and orchards have been established by selecting plus trees of indigenous, exotic and fruit tree species. Seed from CFSC is primarily intended for: i) reforestation activities in protected areas, ii) other government planting programs and iii) farmers use. Species available from CFSC are: Acacia auriculiformis, Acacia mangium, Aleurites montana, Anacardium occidentale, Anisoptera cochinchinensis, Canarium album, Canarium nigrum, Senna siamea, Casuarina equisetifolia, Cinnamomum cassia, Cunninghamia lanceolata, Dipterocarpus alatus, Endospermum chinense, Eucalyptus camaldulensis, Eucalyptus tereticornis, Euphoria longana, Gmelina arborea, Hopea odorata, Illicium verum, Khaya senegalensis, Leucaena leucocephala, Litchi chinensis, Mangifera indica, Mangifera minor, Manglietia glauca, Melaleuca cajuputi, Melia azedarach, Pinus massoniana, Pinus merkusii, Pinus kesiya, Styrax tonkinensis, Swietenia macrophylla, Tectona grandis, Tephrosia candida, Chukrasia tabularis, Dalbergia bariensis, Erythrophloeum fordii, Madhuca pasquieri, Markahamia stipulata, Afzelia xylocarpa, Parashorea chinensis, Pterocarpus macrocarpus, Pterocarpus pedatus, Sindora cochinchinensis, Talauma gioi, Tarrietia javanica, Toona febrifuga and Xylia dolabriformis. The seed of other species may also be available through CFSC from secondary sources. Seed storage facilities at CFSC are limited, so most seed is distributed shortly after collection. Clonal banks have been established with Acacia and Eucalyptus hybrids to provide quality planting materials (some of these activities in collaboration with the Research Centre for Forest Tree Improvement, RCFTI). Provenance and progeny trials of Pinus merkusii, Casuarina equisetifolia and Tectona grandis are also in progress. The CFSC also has the capacity to provide training in germplasm management, seed orchard and production area management, and nursery practices. Most of the CFSC's land area is used for applied research.

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2. College of Agriculture and Forestry (CAF) at Thuduc District

Formerly belonging to Thuduc Polytechnic University, the College of Agriculture and Forestry (CAF) was integrated into the National University of Ho Chi Minh City in 1993. CAF is based on the United States land-grant college system. It has the combine objectives of teaching, research and extension. The Faculty of Forestry, one of 6 faculties in CAF, has 4 departments: Silviculture; Forest Plantation and Urban Forestry; Forest Inventory and Management; and Social Forestry. The forestry research programs include forestland management, biomass studies, wood processing, and the development of sustainable agroforestry systems. Rehabilitation of degraded lands is a major priority in Vietnam and a significant focus of CAF. The college's sustainable agroforestry systems and tree domestication activities are focused on degraded lands. It is involved in activities across the domestication continuum. Species included in CAF's various domestication activities are: Gliricidia sepium, Trema orientalis, Indigofera teysmannii, Eucalyptus camaldulensis, tereticornis, Casuarina equisetifolia. Eucalvptus Khava senegalensis. macrophylla, Litsea sp., Leucaena glauca, Sapindus saponaria, Canarium sp., Melia azedarach, Melia dubia, Moringa oleifera, Erythrina variegata, Erythrina poeppigiana and Cinnamomum sp. Fast growing nitrogen fixing trees which produce a lot of biomass are important in reclaiming degraded sites and simultaneously providing green manure, animal and fish fodder, fuelwood, poles and shade for coffee or other crops. Several forest species and Acacia and Eucalyptus hybrids are also popular with farmers for wood production and income generation. CAF is cautious about promoting Acacia and Eucalyptus with farmers because these species are reported to have proliferated out of control in some places. The promotion of hybrids has resulted in disappointment and disillusionment with farmers because of F2 segregation. Of the species mentioned above CAF considers Indigofera teysmannii to have the highest potential for domestication, as it has a wide array of uses and is popular with farmers. However, no tree improvement has been attempted. Litsea is another species with high-potential which remains untapped. The lack of germplasm and CAF feels that on-farm domestication propagation information are major problems. research should focus on: i) indigenous knowledge; ii) propagation and management of indigenous species; and iii) rejuvenation of degraded lands.

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3. Department of Botany and Ecology

The Department of Botany and Ecology is a member of the National University of Ho Chi Minh City. It has 5 scientists and 400 students. Their main research concerns are the exploration, collection and taxonomic characterization of rare plant species for conservation. Examples of priority species include: a rare five-needled indigenous pine, Cinnamomum species, wild orchids, understory forest shrubs and ornamental plants. Many

of these species, some not yet identified, are in danger of becoming extinct. The department feels some of these species may hold promise for smallholder domestication. While the department focuses on exploration and collection, associated departments in the University specialize on propagation, germplasm issues, silviculture, utilization, and processing and marketing. The lack of propagation techniques and information are considered the main problems in conservation of these species.

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4. Forest Inventory and Planning Institute (FIPI)

Forest assessment, monitoring and planning is the main activity of the Forest Inventory and Planning Institute (FIPI) and its sub-institutes located in various regions of the country. Protected areas, national parks and national reserves are the direct responsibility of FIPI, but it is also responsible for monitoring all forestlands in the country, including protection forest for watershed conservation, industrial forests, community forests and private forests. Agroforestry is a peripheral but important aspect of FIPI's work, particularly with community and private forests and where smallholders make extensive use of government forest resources. FIPI wants forest use at all levels to be sustainable. FIPI has a major target to increase forest cover in the country by 50% (4.5 million hectares). This is why agroforestry and domestication are seen as important. Species considered appropriate for domestication include rattan, bamboo, mushrooms, medicinal plants, Cinnamomum sp., Tectona grandis (teak), fast growing trees species, fuelwood species, non-timber trees and species which are of interest for social or ethnic reasons. Fast growing Acacia and Eucalyptus, which are promoted for industrial and government forests, are also considered good for smallholder domestication. Actually, any species that can be used in smallholder systems and help promote tree cover would be acceptable for domestication. Problems that hinder FIPI work and smallholder domestication include: inadequate technical information and practical experience on the development and management of home gardens and forest buffer zones; inadequate germplasm production and distribution; inadequate knowledge on propagation and management of many indigenous species; weak marketing channels; and inadequate marketing information.

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5. Forest Research Center (FRC)

Established in 1976, Forest Research Center (FRC) operated as the research and production arm of the Vietnam Paper Corporation. FRC conducts provenance and progeny trials to evaluate tree species for paper pulp production. Present emphasis is on *Pinus*, *Eucalyptus*, *Acacia* and their hybrids. A strong plant material production and nursery program has evolved. Much of the production is through cuttings of hybrids. Micro-propagation by tissue culture has also been successful. FRC operates 6.5 hectares of seed orchards of *Acacia mangium* and *Eucalyptus urophylla*. Annually, over 500,000 high-quality seedlings

are planted to expand the paper companies plantations. Upon request, seedlings are also provided to farmers. FRC has developed integrated agroforestry systems with pulp trees, fruit trees and agricultural crops to reclaim degraded lands and expand farming options for smallholders. However, the main problem is that farmers do not use improved silvicultural techniques and need training in tree plantings and stand maintenance. Additionally, suitable fruit tree species have to be selected among the many available in the region, this task is beyond the capacity of the FRC. Inadequate information on the management of combined pulp-fruit tree plantations is another constraint for further promotion of these agroforestry systems.

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6. Forest Science Sub-Institute of South Vietnam (FSSIV)

The Forest Science Sub-Institute of South Vietnam (FSSIV) is one of the oldest and bestknown forest research institutes in Vietnam. It has 40 scientists and a total of 80 technicians. FSSIV has a 1400 ha research facility including nurseries and well-equipped The mandate of the Sub-Institute includes: seed technology; plant laboratories. propagation; tree breeding; forest production, management and protection; forest product processing and utilization; wood preservation; socioeconomic issues related to forest use; policy issues relatd to land use and distribution; marketing of forest products; and forest taxation issues. This covers all areas of the domestication continuum. The Sub-Institute's major research focus is on exotic and indigenous species of industrial value. They manage seed orchards, natural seed production areas, and plus-tree plantations. extensive nurseries operations, propagating plants from seed, cutting and tissue culture. A priority program is the enrichment of natural forests with Dipterocarpus sp. and Tectona They have a structured smallholder agroforestry program in which the tree component targets industrial products. The main tree species in these systems is Melaleuca leucadendra for poles and oil production. Farmers keep the food products from the system. Income form the trees is split equally between farmers and Sub-Institute. Bamboo has potential in these systems for the production of construction material, chip board manufacture and food. The main problems regarding tree domestication are: a lack of skilled technicians, particularly tree breeders; lack of knowledge and experience in vegetative propagation methods; and a shortage of appropriate species or hybrids for industrial production in different ecological zones.

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7. Forest Seed and Planting Materials Enterprise

Established in 1977, the Enterprise has a relationship with the Central Seed Company in Hanoi, but operates independently. Total number of staff is 84 with 17 having degrees in biological disciplines. The Enterprise is mandated to: i) establish and maintain seed stands for the support of forestry activities; ii) improve the genetic and physiological quality of the seed used in forestry activities; iii) export seed to international customers; and iv) develop vegetative propagation and tissue culture techniques for priority species. Its main activities are tree breeding; propagation; germplasm collection, conservation, multiplication and distribution; and silvicultural techniques for seed production areas. Its

primary objective is tree improvement through selection, breeding, and management. Target clients are, first, state enterprises, and second, smallholder farmers. To reach farmers the Enterprise has developed special advertising programs on television, a newsletter and a program to meet with farmers' groups. This is effective but very time-consuming. The Enterprise is looking for a more efficient extension linkages. Major species for which seed is available through the Enterprise are: Acacia mangium, Acacia auriculiformis, Acacia hybrids, Eucalyptus camaldulensis, Cassia fistula, Senna siamea, Casuarina equisetifolia, Tectona grandis, Melaleuca sp., Hopea odorata, Dipterocarpus alatus, Afzelia xylocarpa, Peltophorum ferrugineum, Peltophorum sp., Khaya senegalensis, Anisoptera cochinchinensis, Mimusops elengi, Lagersthoemia floribunda, Lagerstroemia speciosa, Sindora chalindunensis, Pterocarpus indicus, Canarium sp., Terminalia sp., Cinnamomum sp. and Aquilaria crassna. Other species can be added to this priority list, if the Enterprise is sure that demand will reach thresholds where seed collection/production is economically viable.

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The Institute of Agricultural Science of South Vietnam (IAS) is a multi-disciplinary research organization established in 1990 for crop and livestock research. It offers graduate level training for scientists. It is affiliated with 5 other agricultural research centers in the southern part of the country and also work with several NGOs and international agencies. IAS has a staff of 375 scientists. It serves a similar purpose as, and collaborates with, VASI in the northern part of the country. Each operates independently. IAS's focus is the development of farming systems and technologies to reclaim degraded sloping lands. Its research is mostly on food crops, but fruit and fodder species are important secondary The main fruit species are: Anacardium occidentale (cashew), Durio zibethinus (durian), Citrus sp., Mangifera indica (mango), Morus sp. (mulberry), Nephelium lappaceum (rambutan), Garcinia mangostana (mangosteen), Artocarpus heterophyllus (jackfruit), Dimocarpus longan (chiku longan) and Persea americana (avocado). Priority fodder species are mainly leguminous nitrogen-fixers: Acacia, Flemingia, Gliricidia, Leucaena and Tephrosia species. Leguminous cover crops (for fodder, green manure and soil conservation), fodder grasses and vetivar grass are also widely used in IAS activities. Farmers want assistance from IAS with the development of upland rainfed agroforestry systems that focus on fruit trees, both those species mentioned above and valuable indigenous species. This would be a very useful focus for a tree domestication effort. Main objectives related to such an effort would be: i) selecting and testing fruit species and varieties; ii) the production and distribution of quality germplasm; iii) the development and evaluation of management systems; iv) the development of post-harvest and processing methods; and v) marketing research.

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9. Research Center for Forest Ecology and Environment (RCFEE)

Currently, the main focus of Research Center for Forest Ecology and Environment (RCFEE) is indigenous knowledge of plant species. Funding for this work is received from the International Development Research Center (IDRC, Canada) and the Ford Foundation. The main premise of this project is that indigenous plant species of importance to local farmers are being replaced by exotics, because the exotics grow well on the degraded, barren hill slopes common throughout the north. Those indigenous species still available in natural forests or elsewhere are collected for sale on local markets. The exploitation of these markets by Chinese traders has put heavy pressure on the remaining natural forests leading to the extinction of some species. The project is documenting traditional management systems in order to conserve, and expand through domestication, populations of valuable, but endangered, indigenous species. The objective is to integrate the species into smallholder systems, thus achieving diversification of farm production and income simultaneous with biodiversity conservation. Several species have been identified as suitable for domestication under smallholder homegarden conditions. These are bamboo, Indigofera tevsmannii, Canarium album. Canarium nigrum, cochinchinensis, Illicium verum and medicinal herbs. All the species mentioned have high commercial value and established market. Obstacles to domestication include: i) a shortage of germplasm; ii) a lack of propagation and management information; and iii) poor performance of indigenous species on the degraded sites available for planting.

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10. Research Center for Forest Tree improvement (RCFTI)

The Research Center for Forest Tree Improvement (RCFTI) is currently engaged in tree breeding programs and the selection of superior provenances and species. Their research concentrates on Acacias, Eucalyptus and Pinus for industrial production. The Acacia hybrid of Acacia mangium x Acacia auriculiformis produced by the RCFTI show vigorous growth. reaching a height of 6-8 m in 2 years, and 13 m in 5 years. Interspecific hybrids of Eucalyptus using Eucalyptus urophylla x Eucalyptus exserta also perform well. Transgenic Eucalyptus hybrids have been produced with lower lignin contents. Studies are in process involving Acacia deficilis as a possible industrial tree crop for dry sandy soils of southern Two node clonal cuttings are successfully used for multiplication of Acacia hybrids. Pinus hybrids (Pinus caribaea var. hondurensis x Pinus eliottii) have shown good potential. The Center is concerned with the unauthorized collection of seed from hybrid plantations because the F2 seed performs poorly resulting in negative publicity for the hybrids. This has been a difficult situation to address. Some work has also been conducted on Casuarina equisetifolia, Melaleuca leucadendra, Manglietia glauca and Tectona grandis. Erythrophloeum fordii (ironwood) is being planted under established Acacia plantations to increase site productivity and expand populations of this indigenous species. Erythrophloeum is slow growing, producing a very hard and valuable wood. It grows in areas with as little as 600-800 mm annual rainfall. RCFTI has cooperative activities or relations with organization across that region, as well as in Australia, Sweden and Denmark. Farmers have access to improved planting materials from RCFTI. Farmers prefer rotations of 4-7 years for their private plantations. Germplasm supply, management information and training (specifically in propagation, hybrid management and related topics) are areas of need for smallholder domestication and potential areas of collaboration between farmers and RCFTI.

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Established in 1993, the Vietnamese Agricultural Science Institute (VASI) is involved in: i) conducting basic and integrated research towards the development of agricultural strategies for Vietnam; ii) developing advanced technologies for diverse ecological conditions; and iii) training postgraduate students, technicians and skilled workers. The Institute has 12 departments, 250 scientists, and a total of 500 support staff. Main emphasis is on the production of food commodities such as rice, corn and potatoes. However there is a growing recognition that VASI should also focus on crops and systems that benefit smallholders. The strategy for smallholders is the promotion of forest and fruit trees in homegardens and on farmlands. VASI feels models should be developed to facilitate the development of viable timber/fruit trees farming systems. Species with high potential for domestication are fruits such as Mangifera indica (mango), Citrus sp., Annona sp., Anacardium occidentale (cashew) and Durio zibethinus (durian). Others include Cinnamomum sp., Chukrasia tabularis, Michelia, Erythrophloeum fordii (ironwood), and hybrids of Acacia and Eucalyptus species. VASI believes smallholder systems with these and other species are particularly appropriate for reclaiming degraded sloping lands. Already some farmers are using hybrid Acacia, but more information and planting material is required for expanding cultivation. In response to this need, VASI and collaborators are establishing clonal gardens of hybrids. The main problems hindering tree domestication are: species-site matching for different eco-zones; inadequate planting material and planting material distribution system; inadequate information on species and systems appropriate for smallholders; weak linkages between institutes involved in assisting smallholders; and low smallholder incomes, whrich makes it difficult for farmers to invest in tree farming systems.

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12. Xuan Mai Forestry College

Main activity of the Xuan Mai Forestry University is teaching. Some research, extension and training programs are also conducted. There are 200 staff in the university. Forty staff specialize in tree improvement and have the potential to assist with smallholder domestication activities. The university has a 450-ha experimental station and laboratories available for research. Degree programs are offered in silviculture, forest production, forest business management, wood processing, wood industry, and social forestry. Additionally, ther are strong programs are in fire management, wildlife management and wood marketing. The university has social forestry projects funded by several foreign donors. Related to domestication the University is involved with species trials, germplasm activities, marketing/policy analysis, and information production/dissemination. Species for domestication are prioritized by their utility for smallholders. *Madhuca pasqueri*, a tree yielding an oil-producing seed used for medicinal purposes and cooking (the oil is similar to

groundnut or sesame oil). Propagation and management techniques for *Madhuca* need further study. *Canarium album*, a fast growing fruit and timber tree, is popular among farmers, but poor flowering and fruit set has been a constraint for establishing market-oriented home gardens. Three other candidate species for domestication work are *Castanopsis boisii*, *Castanopsis neollissima* and *Cinnamomum cassia*. There is also opportunity to develop underplanting systems with *Acacia* and *Eucalyptus* plantations established by farmers for income generation. Farmers are particularly interested in intercropping with food crops and fruit species.

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6. List of Acronyms

AACI = Apu Agbilin Community, Inc.

ACIAR = Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research

APAN = Asia-Pacific Agroforestry Network

ATSAL = Agroforestry Tree Seed Association of Lantapan

AWARE = Associated Workers Aimed to Rehabilitate the Environment

BAND = Bukidnon Association for National Development

BFI = Bukidnon Forests Incorporated

CAF = College of Agriculture and Forestry

CFSC = Central Forest Seed Company

CGIAR = Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research

CMU = Central Mindanao University

CPPAP = Conservation of Priority Protected Area Project

DANCED = Danish Cooperation for Environment and Development

DED = Diocesan Ecological Desk

DENR = Department of Environment and Natural Resources

ERDB = Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

FAO = Food and Agriculture Organization

FICCO = First Community Credit Cooperative

FIPI = Forest Inventory and Planning Institute

FORDA = Forestry Research and Development Agency

FORGENMAP = Forest Genetic Resources Conservation and Management Project

FORTIP = UNDP-FAO Regional Forest Tree Improvement Project

FRC = Forest Research Centre

FSCS = Forestry and Soil Conservation Service

FSSIV = Forest Science Sub Institute of South Vietnam

GM = Green Mindanao

HESD = Highland Economic and Social Development Promotion Office

IAF = Institute of Agroforestry

IAS = Institute of Agricultural Science of South Vietnam

ICRAF = International Center for Research in Agroforestry

IDRC = International Development Research Center

IIRR = International Institute for Rural Reconstruction

INDO-NAS = Indonesian National APAN Secretariat

KIN = Kittanglad Integrated NGOs

LIPI = Lembaga Ilmu Pengetahuan Indonesia (the Indonesian Institute of Sciences)

LRSF = Land Rehabilitation and Social Forestry

MOAC = Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives

MOSCAT = Misamis Oriental State College of Agriculture and Technology

NGO = Non-Government Organizations

NHDFI = Northeast Hill tribes Development Foundation, Inc.

NPGR = National Plant Genetic Resources Laboratory

NVS = Natural Vegetative Strips

PCARRD = Philippines Council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development

RCFEE = Research Centre for Forest Ecology and Environment

RCFTI = Research Centre for Forest Tree Improvement

RDCB = Research and Development Center for Biotechnology

S&T = the Department of Science and Technology

SANREM-CRSP = Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resources Management Collaborative Research Support Program

UAP = UPLB Agroforestry Program

UGM = University of Gadjah Mada

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USAID = United States Agency for International Development

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8. Appendices

Annex I: Focal Species for Domestication in Indonesia

Acacia sp

Acacia aulacocarpa

Acacia auriculiformis

Acacia crassicarpa

Acacia hybrid

Acacia mangium

Albizia sp

Aleurites moluccana

Alstonia sp

Alstonia scholaris

Amorphophallus campanulatus

Anacardium occidentale

Andropogon nadus

Annona spp

Antidesma bunius

Arenga pinnata

Artocarpus altilis

Artocarpus heterophyllus

Azadirachta indica

Bamboo species

Calliandra sp

Calliandra calothyrsus

Ceiba sp

Cinnamomum sp

Cinnamomum burmanii

Curcuma longa

Dalbergia latifolia

Duabanga moluccana

Durio zibethinus

Dyera sp

Dyera costulata

Elettaria cardamomum

Eucalyptus sp

Eucalyptus deglupta

Eucalyptus grandis

Eucalyptus hybrids

Eucalyptus pellita

Eucalyptus tereticornis

Eucalyptus urophylla

Eugenia aromatica

Eurycoma longifolia

Eusideroxylon zwageri

Ficus deltoida

Garcinia mangostana

Gliricidia sepium

Gmelina arborea

Gnetum gnemon

Gonoderma sp

Homalium tomentosum

Intsia bijuga

Lansium domesticum

Leucaena glauca

Macadamia integrifolia

Manilkara kauki

Medicinal herbs

Nephelium lappaceum

Octomeles sp

Palaquium sp

Paraserianthes falcataria

Parkia speciosa

Pericopsis mooniana

Peronema canescens

Persea americana

Phyllantus acidus

Pinus merkusii

Piper nigrum

Pogostemon cablin

Pometia pinnata Pyrethrum sp

Rattan species

Sandoricum koetjape

Santalum sp

Santalum album

Shorea sp

Sonchus avensis

Swietenia macrophylla

Syzygium sp

Tamarindus indica

Tectona grandis

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Tephrosia vogelii

Toona sureni

Uncaria gambir

Vanilla planifolia

Vetiveria zizanioides

Zingiber officinale

Annex II: Focal Species for Tree Domestication in the Philippines

Acacia aulacocarpa

Acacia sp

Acacia auriculiformis Acacia crassicarpa Acacia hybrid

Acacia mearnsii Albizia lebbeck Albizia procera

Albizia saman

Acacia mangium

Anacardium occidentale Artocarpus heterophyllus

Artocarpus odoratissima

Averrhoa carambola
Azadirachta indica
Bamboo species
Calliandra calothyrsus
Calophyllum inophyllum

Canarium sp Cati-e Castanopsis javanica

Castanopsis philipensis Chrysophyllum cainito

Cinnamomum mercadoi Dillenia philippinensis

Dipterocarpus sp Dipterocarpus grandiflorus

Discocalyx cybianthiodes
Durio zibethinus

Ebony
Erythrina variegata

Erythrophleum fordii

Eucalyptus sp

Eucalyptus camaldulensis

Eucalyptus deglupta

Eucalyptus grandis

Eucalyptus pellita Eucalyptus robusta

Eucalyptus torelliana Eucalyptus tereticornis

Eucalyptus urophylla

Eusideroxylon zwageri Garcinia mangostana

Gliricidia sepium Gmelina arborea

Grevillea robusta Lansium domesticum

Leucaena sp

Leucaena diversifolia Leucaena leucocephala Lithocarpus ilanosii

Macadamia integrifolia Maesopsis eminii

Mangifera indica

Mangrove species

Melia dubia Morus sp

Musa textilis

Nephelium lappaceum Paraserianthes falcataria

Persea americana Pinus caribaea

Podocarpus imbiricatus
Podocarpus philippinensis

Psidium guajava
Pterocarpus indicus

Sago

Sandoricum koetjape

Senna siamea Shorea sp Shorea javanica

Swietenia macrophylla

Syzygium aqueum Syzygium nitidum Tamarindus indica Theobroma cacao Rapanea apoensis

Zapoteca tetragona

Annex III: Focal Species for Tree Domestication in Thailand

Acacia sp

Acacia auriculiformis

Acacia hybrid

Acacia mangium

Albizia lebbeck

Albizia procera

Albizia saman

Alstonia scholaris

Annona sp

Arenga pinnata

Artocarpus heterophyllus

Azadirachta excelsa

Azadirachta indica

Bamboo species

Camelia sinensis

Castanopsis sp

Casuarina equisetifolia

Casuarina junghuhniana

Chukrasia velutina

Citrus sp

Citrus grandis

Coffea arabica

Dimocarpus longan

Dipterocarpus alatus

Durio zibethinus

Eucalyptus sp

Eucalyptus camaldulensis

Eucalyptus grandis

Eucalyptus urophylla

Garcinia cambogia

Leucaena sp

Litchi chinensis

Mangifera indica

Melia azedarach

Musa sp

Parkia speciosa

Pinus kesiya

Psidium guajava

Pterocarpus sp

Pterocarpus macrocarpus

Rattan species

Senna siamea

Sesbania sp

Shorea sp

Tamarindus indica

Tectona grandis

Xanthoxyllum lemonella

Annex IV: Focal Species for Tree Domestication in Vietnam

Acacia sp

Acacia auriculiformis

Acacia difficilis

Acacia hybrid

Acacia mangium

Afzelia xylocarpa

Aleurites montana

Anacardium occidentale

Anisoptera cochinchinensis

Annona sp

Aquilaria agallocha

Aquilaria crassna

Artocarpus heterophyllus

Bamboo species

Canarium sp

Canarium album

Canarium cochinchinensis

Canarium nigrum

Cassia fistula

Castanopsis boisii

Castanopsis neollissima

Casuarina equisetifolia

Chukrasia tabularis

Cinnamomum sp

Cinnamomum cassia

Citrus sp

Corypha lecomtei

Cunninghamia lanceolata

Cycas circinalis

Cycas rumphii

Dalbergia bariensis

Dimocarpus longan

Dipterocarpus sp

Dipterocarpus alatus

Durio zibethinus

Endospermum chinense

Erythrina poeppigiana

Erythrina variegata

Erythrophleum fordii

Eucalyptus sp

Eucalyptus camaldulensis

Eucalyptus exserta

Eucalyptus hybrids

Eucalyptus tereticornis

Eucalyptus urophylla

Euphoria longana

Flemingia sp

Fodder grasses

Garcinia mangostana

Gleditsia ferrea

Gliricidia sepium

Gmelina arborea

Hopea odorata

Illicium verum

Indigofera teysmannii Khaya senegalensis

Lagerstroemia floribunda

Leguminosae

Leucaena sp

Leucaena glauca

Leucaena leucocephala

Litchi chinensis

Litsea sp

Livistona sp

Madhuca pasqueiri

Mangifera indica Mangifera minor

Manglietia glauca

Markhamia stipulata

Medicinal herbs

Melaleuca sp

Melaleuca cajuputi

Melaleuca leucadendra

Melia azedarach

Melia dubia

Michelia sp

Mimusops elengi

Moringa oleifera

Morus sp

Nephelium lappaceum

Nypa fruticans

Oroxylum indicum

Pahudia cochinchinensis

Parashorea chinensis

Peltophorum sp

Peltophorum ferrugineum

Persea americana

Pinus sp

Pinus hybrids

Pinus kesiya

Pinus massoniana

Pinus merkusii

Pterocarpus indicus

Pterocarpus macrocarpus

Pterocarpus pedatus

Rattan species

Sapindus mukorossi

Sapindus saponaria

Sapium sebiferum

Senna siamea

Sindora chalidunensis

Sindora cochinchinensis

Spondias mangifera

Sterculia lychnophora

Styrax tonkinensis

Strychnos nux-vomica

Swietenia macrophylla

Syzygium nitidum

Talauma gioi

Tarrietia javanica

Taxus baccata

Tectona grandis

Tephrosia sp

Terminalia sp

Thea sesanqua

Toona febrifuga

Trema orientalis

Vetiveria zizanioides

Wrightia tomentosa

Xylia dolabriformis