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Asian Family Farmers Initiatives on Agroecology Challenges, Successes, Role of ARIs

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74% of Family Farmers of the world are in Asia

83% of family Farms in Asia are small scale.

80% of food consumed in Asia are from small scale farmers







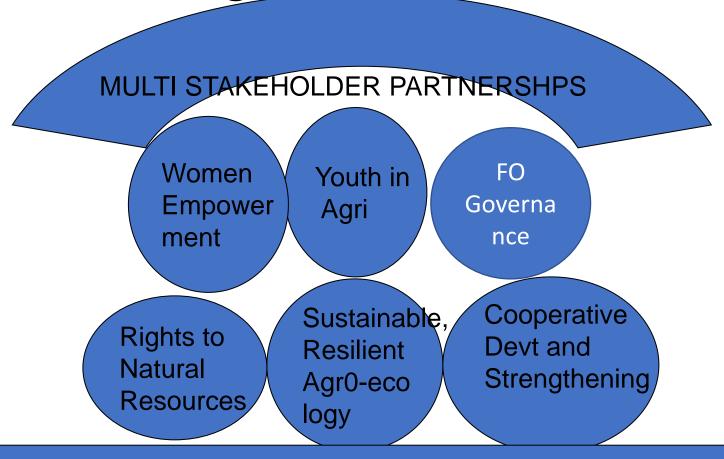
Why are We Poor and Hungry (62% hungry in Asia)

- lack of access and control over natural, technological, physical, social, financial, market resources
- insignificant involvement in policy making processes
- Degraded eco systems and vulnerabilities in price and climate shocks

Leading to migration, ageing, low pride and low esteem in farming

NO FARMER. NO FOOD. NO FUTURE.

*AFA'S Programs



*Movement Bldg *Advocacy *Capacity Building *Business Devt Servicing*Internal Governance *MEALC



AFA supports and practices various forms and technologies of sustainable agriculture including bio-extract, bio-compost, bio-hormone, use of local and select seeds, herbal pesticides, integrated farming, crop diversification, production of visual aids and tools, fruit tree propagation, fish breeding, village veterinary volunteer services

IDOFS by PAKISAMA- Phils



AMING AND DANTE FAJARDO

AFARBAMCO

Farmer Beneficiary of Agrarian Reform Leaders, Farmer Technician, AFARBAMCO Member, PAKISAMA

Main Interventions:

RESOURCE ACCESSING

FARM PLANNING

SEMINARS/TOURS

SEED SELECTION



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KEY RESULTS

600 USD/MONTH



RESPONSIBLE YOUTH



AWARDS



SOOD FOOD and LANDSCAPE

FOOR SECURITY, BIODIVERSITY, HEALTHY SOILS, GOOD FOOD and LANDSCAPE





KRAING LEAV SAMAKY AGRI COOP- FNN (Cambodia)

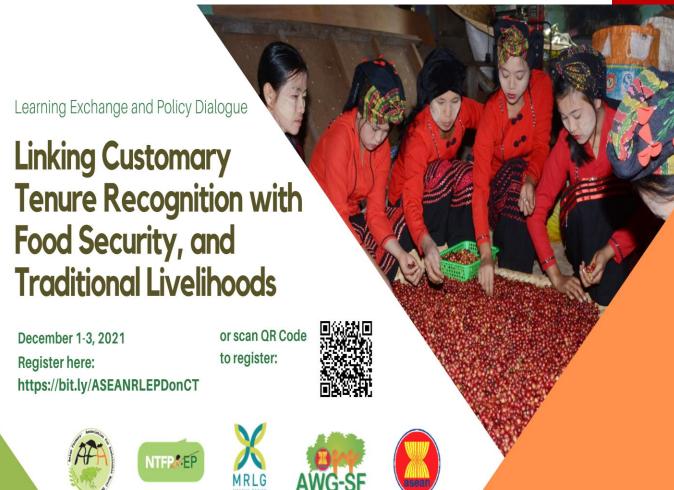
- Established in Aug 2012
- 244 members (135 women, 55%)
- Key businesses :
 - > agri credit,
 - > ORGANIC rice/vegetable/ chicken//Pig
 - >ORGANIC rice mill
- In 200 hectares, including 80 hectares of organic rice fields
- Strengthened governance process (regular meetings, computerized financial mgt)
- RESULTS:
 - >Higher Prices >>> Higher Incomes
 - >Expansion of Marketing Channels
 - > increased capital of AC

REGIONAL EXCHANGES



VIABLE AND RESILIENT SMALL-SCALE FARMING IN THE "NEW NORMAL"

Ensuring a brighter future for family farmers in Asia-Pacific



GLOBAL ADVOCACY

















FARMERS AND FISHERS SOLUTIONS:

Independent Dialogue Series in Asia-Pacific Region

7-11 JUNE 2021 | 16:00 GMT/UTC+8





COALITON on AE/TPP on AE







UN Food Systems Summit Independent Dialogue jointly convened by World Farmers' Organisation, WFO, Asian Farmers Association for Sustainable Rural Development, AFA, and Pan African Farmers' Organization, PAFO.

Global Food Systems Summit Independent Dialogue of Farmers' Organizations

Ahead of the UN Food Systems Summit (FSS) in September and the pre-Summit this July, this Independent FSS Dialogue follows a series of previous dialogues held on a regional basis by different Farmers' organisations, with the ambition of identifying solutions to facilitate the transition to sustainable, just, inclusive and empowering food systems. The UN Summit, indeed, aims to raise awareness on the necessity of achieving sustainable food systems, promoting the development of a range of innovative ideas that can help achieve the sustainability goals of the 2030 Agenda.

This "Global Food Systems Summit Independent Dialogue of Farmers' Organizations" focuses on common challenges that need to be addressed, as well as common game

changing solutions that need to be implemented, based on tangible examples reported by the several farmers' organizations involved. It will be an opportunity to integrate and elaborate on the results of previous dialogues and to consolidate the views, perspectives, solutions, recommendations, commitments from the regional dialogues that have been conducted. Participants will also have the chance to engage collectively, provide proposals and contribute to a Farmers' Declaration which will feed into the solutions of the UN Food Systems Summit. The session is jointly convened by World Farmers' Organisation, WFO, Asian Farmers Association for Sustainable Rural Development, AFA, and Pan African Farmers' Organization, PAFO.

8 - 9 JULY 2021 / 12.00 – 15.00 (CET, Rome Time)

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CHALLENGES: WHY FAMILY FARMERS ARE HESITANT TO GO AGRO ECOLOGY

They do not know.

They do not believe.

Hard, Tedious Work.

During transition, will lose income.

Little incentives.

Note : Sri Lanka experience

RECOMMENDATIONS for ARIs, GOVT, FOs

- A clear, systematic redirection of investment, funding, research and policy focus on AGRO ECOLOGY By, With, For Small scale farmers
- Strengthen links between research, advisory and extension; esp farmerfarmer
- Technical assistance, with special focus on women and youth
- Representation in policy making, project design and implementation
- Harmonized policies esp at national /local levels
- Support for transition to AE through incentives, subsidies/grants, soft loans and blended finance, insurance
- Documentation and dissemination in local languages

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