

Enhancing Women's Role in Rural Development



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| Programme | Annual International Training Course, Thai-Japanese Trilateral Cooperation |
| Course Title | Enhancing Women's Role in Rural Development |
| Duration | January 15 - February 23, 2007 * |
| Closing Date for Application | November 17, 2006 |
| Number of Participants | 25 |
| Invited Countries | Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Kenya, Lao PDR, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, The Philippines, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tanzania, Timor Leste, Uganda, Vietnam and Thailand * |

* Subject to change by further notifications

Objectives

- to acquired knowledge and techniques to improve farm household lifestyles by developing women's ability with utilizing local resources and skills;
- to acquired knowledge and techniques to promote rural women's organizations with emphasis on their roles in rural development;
- to acquired extension methods and skills to work with village women for the improvement of farm household life;
- to acquired extension methods and skills in planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating of gender-responsive extension to work with rural women for better integration of women in rural development;
- to acquired extension methods and skills in media production technique and its utilization as an extension tool.

Qualifications

Participants for this course should:

- be under 45 years of age;
- have at least 3-year work experiences in the field of extension work, or related fields;
- have completed at least a college graduate, or the equivalent academic degree;
- have sufficient command of spoken and written English;
- be female agricultural extension officers or NGO workers who have been actively engaged in women's participation in rural development;
- be in good health, both physically and mentally. For this reason, pregnancy is regarded as a disqualifying condition for participation in the course.

Course Content

- Gender Concept
- Knowledge and Skills to Work with Rural Women
- Effective Extension to Rural Women
- Gender Responsive Media Package Production
- Study Visit

Country Report

Before coming to Thailand, participant should prepare a country report concerning enhancing women's roles in rural development. A suggested format of the report is as follows:

- Nationality
- Name of participant
- Chart of organization the participant belonging to, type of participant's current jobs responsibilities (e.g. managing, training, instructing and job content)
- Brief information of common data



- The most important points should be included as follows:
 1. Major problems and solutions to integrating women in rural development.
 2. System of agricultural/rural development extension.
 3. Most successful/unsuccessful cases of women in rural development programmes/projects related to participants own experience, and
 4. Emerging gender issues in your country.

Note: Participants could prepare slide, video tape or other audio visual aids to support country paper presentation about 30 minutes (option)

Institution

The course will be conducted by:

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