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Study tour learning about Improved Cooking Stove and Biogas facility in Son La province, December 11, 2011



Learning session at TBU



Biogas facility site in Thuan Chau district, Son La





Feces is not "waste", but "energy"



A kind of improved stoves installed under TBU project, Nhop village, Phieng Bom commune, Thuan Chau district

Seeking for appropriate methods for saving firewood is a part of livelihood development activities under SUSFORM-NOW: Project for Sustainable Forest Management in the Northwest Watershed Area. Among those who have interests in Improved stove and Biogas facility, one from each 9 pilot village, joined the study tour held on 11th December, 2011.

Major effects of Improved cooking stove

- 1. Saving firewood
- 2. Saving cooking time

 ⇒ Increasing leisure time
- 3. Reducing burden of women & children

Major effects of Biogas facility

- 1. Saving energy
- 2. Increasing crop & animal productivity
- 3. Reducing firewood
- 4. Reducing burden of women & children
- 5. Improve environment

The tour was organized with great thanks to Dr. Doan Duc Lan, Director of Centre for Research and Technology Transfer in Tay Bac Univ. The participants could learn various types of cooking stoves and biogas facility through the presentation & visit in Thuan Chau district, Son La province.

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