

Monitoring & Evaluation by Provincial Staff – Good Results at Each Site

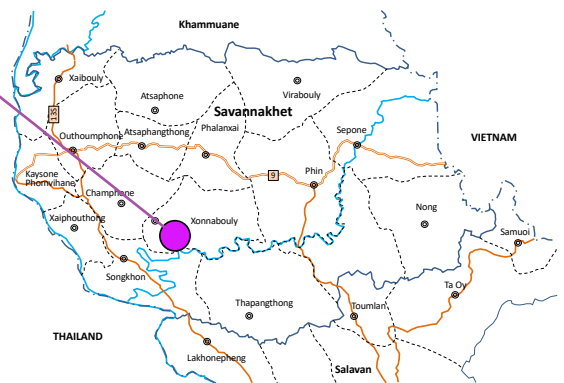
For increasing farmers' income, the Project has been focusing on the field of irrigation, extension (of rice cultivation) and marketing since its commencement. The Monitoring & Evaluation Team consists of Provincial Agriculture & Forestry Office (PAFO) and Department of Planning & Investment (DPI) of Savannakhet Province monitors periodically: what results were seen, how much results contributed to local development, and whether system was established well by farmers & Water Users' Group's initiatives with technical assistances given by District Agriculture & Forestry Office (DAFO). As several results were found throughout their monitoring activities, we will report the case of Nong Boua Luang and Xesalong Sites this time. Those sites are expected to be model sites in near future.

1. Nong Boua Luang Site, Xonnabouly Dist.

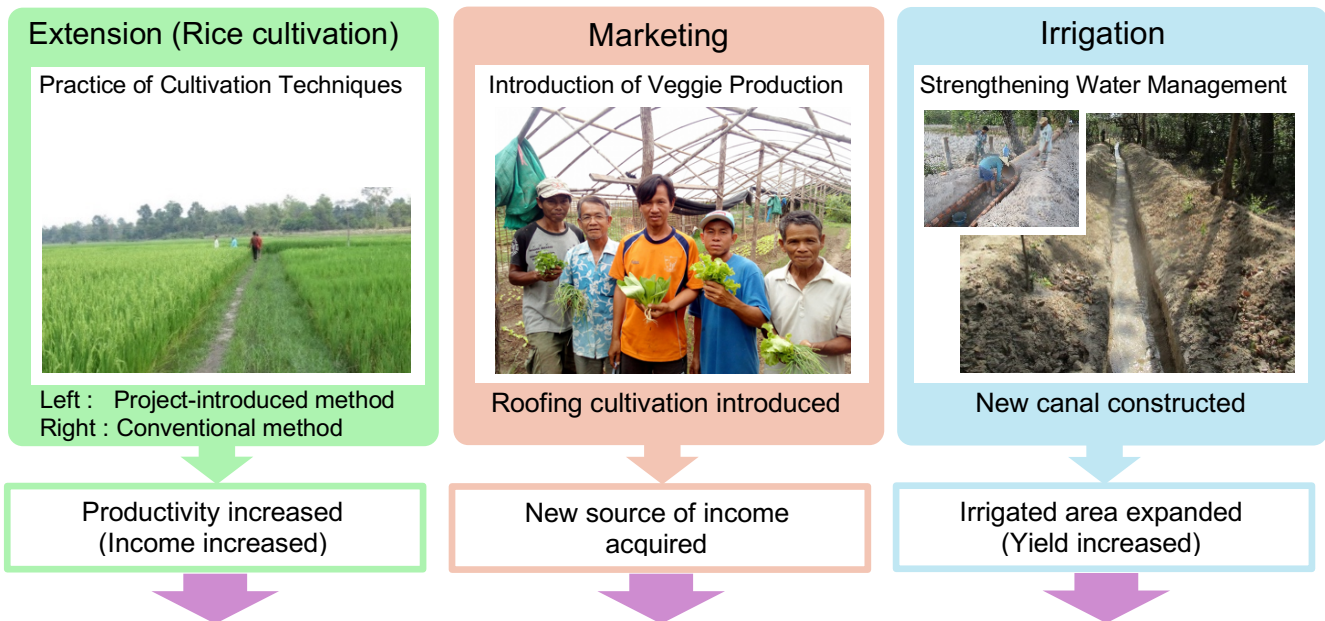
Cultivation Area 200ha, 120 Households

The Project started technical support at this site since June 2018 mainly in dissemination of rice cultivation techniques under the program of lending rice seed and fertilizer, introduction of safe & sustainable vegetable cultivation shifting from cassava production which is putting burden on the soil and making productivity decreasing recently, and strengthening in water management & facility maintenance.

Throughout such challenges, good results are seen such as increase of rice productivity, commencement of vegetable production & sales, and expansion of irrigated area. We believe that those are connecting closely to our project aim, increase of farmers' income.



Results seen in this site



Farmers' voice: As we earned more income-generating opportunity....

- Our lives became financially comfortable, and we are able to save money.
- I can assist family and relatives when they are in economic difficulty.
- We got high motivation in production and further investment for expanding roofing cultivation to earn much more income.



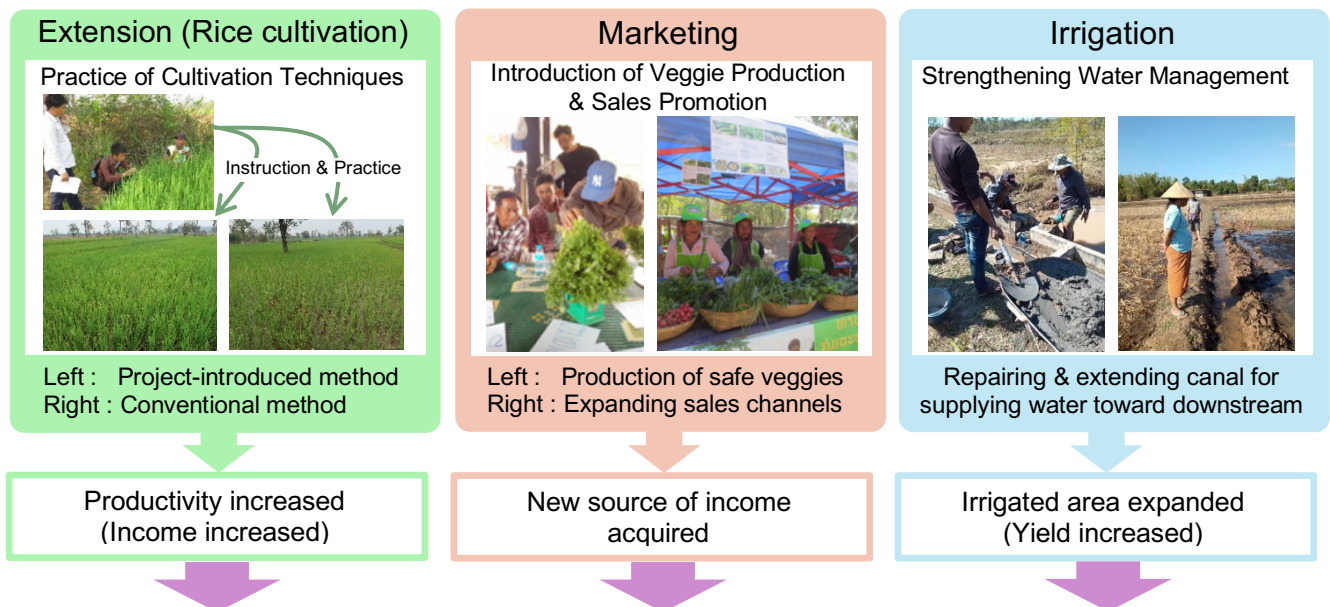
2. Xesalalong Site, Thaphanthong Dist.

Cultivation Area 2,000ha, 350 Households

The Project started technical support at this site since June 2018 mainly in dissemination of rice cultivation techniques under the program of lending rice seed and fertilizer, introduction of safe vegetables and promotion of those sales, and strengthening in water management & facility maintenance. Because of these activities, good results are seen currently such

as increase of rice productivity, commencement of vegetable production & sales, and expansion of irrigated area that was quite remarkable most of all. Same as Nong Boua Luang Site, these are significant contribution to increase in farmers' earning.

Results seen in this site



Farmers' voice: As we earned more income-generating opportunity....

- I can pay for the cost of children's educational expenses by vegetable sales.
- Using profit earned through veggie sales every week, I can buy things for children.
- We are able to lend money from bank for leading electricity to small hut for farm work because we are supposed to get future revenues.
- I distributed my farm land to family because I get better yield now even it's small land.

We are trying to grasp results of projects' activities through monitoring! (Monitoring & Evaluation Team)



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