

Training the Trainers: Workshop for the Lead Farmers of Saving for Self Reliance Groups

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The Farmer and Nature Net (FNN) with technical assistance from CEDAC and with the financial support from Agritererra, organized a workshop for the Lead Farmers of the Saving for Self Reliance Groups project. The workshop was held at the CEDAC Institute for Local Development (CILD) in Phnom Penh.

The training workshop focused on building the management and leadership capacity of the Lead Farmers within their saving groups. There were 25 Lead Farmers who attended the workshop (including 5 women) from 15 districts in 8 provinces. Dr. Yang Saing Koma, Mr. That Sok, and Mr. Pan Soeap facilitated the training that included progress reports from the village-based saving groups and strategic planning to strengthen those groups and to increase membership. Dr. Yang Saing Koma presented a self-development approach known as SAMCHOL and shared examples of saving calculations and analysis for saving at the family and local levels.

The training workshop helped to boost the confidence and commitment of the Lead Farmers as they lead their savings groups and endeavor to increase their membership numbers. The leadership at the local level is vital as the number of saving groups continues to increase both in membership and in capital saved.



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