

RECOFTC – The Center for People and Forests

Highlights of ASFCC Activities from July 2011 to December 2013

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No	Activity Name	Activity Details	Highlights
1	Courtesy Call to H.E. U Win Tun, Minister of Forestry	4 July, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Supportive of ASFN project. 2. Recognized the fit with the country's objectives of rural development and poverty reduction.
2	2 nd Regional Forum on People and Forests	8 – 9 August, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Key country decision-makers and over 200 participants from Asia-Pacific region issued a "Call for Action", intended to increase the opportunities for local people to sustainably manage their forests in ways that are appropriate to their situation.
3	ASFCC Inception Meeting	10 – 12 August, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ASEAN Member States, ASFCC Advisor, ASFN Secretariat, RECOFTC, CIFOR and NTFP-EP developed a calendar of activities and identified key indicators for activities at the regional and focal country levels.
4	National Inception Workshop on Social Forestry	14 – 16 September, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Underlined the important role community forestry plays in building resilient communities that will withstand the impacts of climate change. 2. Recommendations from the 47 workshop participants include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Establish a CF unit within Forest Department with the mandate to strengthen the 1995 CF Instruction; b. Clarify tenure rights; c. Make greater use of networks for learning exchanges; and d. Expand CF implementation by strengthening key training centers and other capacity building providers. 3. These 4 recommendations were presented in a high-level meeting with the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Forestry (MOECAF) and were well-received by heads of different departments.
5	Learning Innovation on	October 2011 – October	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forest and People Research Centre of Chiang Mai University (FP/CMU) and the

	Community Carbon Accounting and Forest-land Management	2013 in Thailand.	<p>Indigenous Knowledge and Peoples Network (IKAP) conduct this project in two Karen villages in Northern Highlands: Baan Khun Saab and Baan Mae Lan Kham, Samoeng District, Chiang Mai Province.</p> <p>2. October – December 2011 designated as project awareness raising period with the communities.</p>
6	Policy and Governance in ASEAN Region: Relationship between Forestry and Climate Change (FPSC)	21 – 26 November, 2011 in Dalat, Vietnam	<p>1. Attended by 21 participants from ASEAN countries.</p> <p>2. Additional support from UN-REDD Programme, USAID-funded Lowering Emissions in Asia’s Forests (LEAF) Program, and JICA.</p> <p>3. In addition to policy and policy process, the course focused on the links between community forestry to emerging development and policies such as Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES), REDD+, timber legality and forest certification.</p> <p>4. A one-day field trip to a PES site located in M’Ran Village, Lac Lam Commune, Don Duong District and a REDD+ Site in Bao Thuan Commune, Di Linh District helped participants to gain a better understanding of the complexities and realities of policies and their processes.</p>
7	National Seminar on Social Forestry: Improving the Communities’ Quality of Living and Sustainable Forest Management	29 – 30 November, Lawas, Sarawak, Malaysia	<p>1. RECOFTC, Forest Departments of Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak, Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM) and University Putra Malaysia shared lessons learned from various social forestry projects and initiatives conducted throughout Malaysia.</p> <p>2. The common challenge in most of these government-led initiatives is sustainability, all the more so when they are heavily dependent on government funds.</p> <p>3. A field visit to Long Lidong demonstrated the “tagang” system where local communities maintained fish stock by designating specific times for harvest. This was collaboration between the Department of Agriculture and the Long Lidong community.</p>
8	National Seminar: CF for Social Justice and Sustainable Reform in Thailand	14 – 15 December, Bangkok, Thailand (TCP)	<p>1. Attended by 260 participants representing regional CF Network, NGOs, policy makers, and civil society.</p> <p>2. Commitment by the CF Network of Thailand was to work on policy interventions based on community rights and fair benefit-sharing.</p>

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9	Mitigation and Adaptation: Managing Forest Conflicts in a context of Climate Change for the ASEAN region	27 Feb – 2 March, Siam Reap, Cambodia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 19 participants from ASEAN countries, except Brunei and Myanmar. 2. Additional support from USAID-funded Lowering Emissions in Asia’s Forests (LEAF) Program. 3. The course provided the lens to view forest conflicts, and their relation to climate change, as well as tools to manage them. 4. A field trip to Oddar Meanchey, one of the world’s first community managed site for voluntary carbon credits, provided participants with the opportunity to practice what they have learned. 5. One of the highlights was a simulated conflict mediation session based on information collected from the field trip. Participants found this simulation very educational. 6. Highly received by all participants.
10	Forest and Land Tenure Review and Reform Policy Dialogues	20 – 22 March, Thailand (TCP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 30 NGOs and representatives from Royal Forest Department (RFD), Department of National Parks – Wildlife and Plants (DNP), Land Reform Office, the Office of Natural Resource and Environmental Planning (ONEP) and CF Network Thailand. 2. Exchanges regarding the current information, challenges and progress on current natural resources policies took place. 3. Civil society participants firmly committed to creating a working group for reform.
11	Introduction to Climate Change	2 – 6 April, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 12 participants from ASEAN countries, except Myanmar. 2. Provided the basics of climate change, its intersection with forests and forest based livelihoods, and national and international discussions on climate change.
12	Courtesy call to Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of Malaysia	10 April, Putrajaya, Malaysia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Datuk Dr Abdul Rahim Nik, the Deputy Secretary General of Environment, representing the Minister, welcomed the ASFCC project. He gave the green light for the Malaysian component to move ahead. 2. Malaysia, in particular the REDD Unit, requires assistance with social safeguards capacity building, in particular, FPIC. The Chair expressed concern that safeguards should be reexamined and adapted in light of the

			Malaysian context.
13	Training-Workshop on Developing Community Forestry	14 – 18 May, Ywa Ngan Township, Shan State, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 38 participants from different regions throughout Myanmar, representing different agencies with MOECAAF. 2. Focused on the basic principles of CF, participatory approaches and tools, and monitoring and evaluation. 3. Practiced the participatory tools during field visits to Ya Gyi and Nyaung Pin Gwa community villages. 4. Well-received by participants as current understanding of CF in Myanmar is very narrow and limited.
14	REDD+ and Climate Change Dialogue	16 May, Bangkok, Thailand (TCP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 9 NGOs, CF Network Thailand, Climate Change Working Group, RFD, DNP, ONEP, TGO and policy makers. 2. Each CF Network committed to draft a regional response to National Master Plan to respond to climate change and DNP's draft Readiness Preparation Proposal.
15	Criteria and Indicators Initiative Workshop	17 May, Bangkok, Thailand (TCP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Developed first draft of criteria and indicators (C&I) for CF standard in collaboration with RFD, CF Network Thailand and supporting network, and RECOFTC's Thailand Country Program. 2. Draft C&I pending finalization. 3. To be followed by further research methodology, screening and field tests.
16	Introduction to Community Forestry in the context of Climate Change	28 May – 1 June, Lombok, Indonesia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 14 participants from ASEAN countries, except Brunei. 2. Analyzed the concepts of, and tools for CF, as well as the intersection with climate change. Focused on the enabling environment for CF to thrive. 3. Field visit to Santong CF (HKM Santong) helped participants to see the realities, challenges and opportunities of CF in different context. 4. Well-received by participants.
17	Introduction to Climate Change and REDD+	6 – 8 June, Kao Yai National Park, Thailand (TCP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 45 participants from RFD, DNP, DMCR, TGO and National Council of Economic and Social Development. 2. Increased understanding of the concept, context and global and national situation of climate change and REDD+.
18	3 rd ASFN Conference	12 – 13 June, Siam Reap, Cambodia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. ASFN Member States agreed to consider ASEAN CSOs' call for greater engagement with civil societies in order to ensure fundamental challenges of CF are adequately addressed.
19	The 7 th Executive Forum on Natural Resource Management:	6 – 10 August, Los Banos, Philippines	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Collaboration with Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA).

	Watershed Governance in the context of Climate Change, focusing on Tenure and Policy Reform Processes		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Attended by 23 high-level policy makers and academics from the ASEAN region, except Myanmar. 3. Field visit to Mulawin-Dampalit Micro watershed of the Mount Makiling Forest Reserve. 4. Well-received by participants for the integration of governance concepts with practical tools for more effective watershed, as well as ecosystem goods and services management.
20	Action Research Formulation Meeting	15 – 18 August, Bagan, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 30 participants including the Directors of Forest Research Institute, Planning and Statistics Department, the Principal of Myanmar Forestry School, representatives from Dry Zone Greening Department, Forest Department divisions, and civil society. 2. Focused on participatory action research: tools and methods. 3. A crucial capacity building activity, in preparation for the implementation of several CF action research.
21	FPIC: A safeguard process for community rights under REDD+ mechanism	21 – 25 August, Kanchanaburi, Thailand (TCP)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 28 participants from government and CSOs. 2. More than 60% of the participants demonstrated better understanding of the FPIC concept and its link to community participation.
22	1 st ASFCC Learning Group Workshop	3 – 7 September, Chainat Province, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 13 participants comprising 5 ASEAN Member States, ASFCC Advisor, ASFN Secretariat, NTFP-EP and IKAP. 2. Developed story-lines to illustrate community forestry in individual countries. 3. Reviewed indicators for national and regional databases for social forestry and climate change.
23	Community Livelihood and Markets: Improving Market Access in the context of Climate Change	1 – 5 October, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 17 participants comprising 7 ASEAN Member States except Brunei, Myanmar, and Singapore, ASFCC Advisor, and open subscribers from Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Sri Lanka 2. Increased understanding on the role of community livelihood, value chain and possible interventions against the value chain. 3. More than 90 % of participants showed a better understanding on the concept of community livelihood, value chain concept and interventions 4. Participants gained new knowledge on climate proofing in mitigating risks of climate of community livelihood.
24	ASFCC Supervisory and Planning Meeting	8 – 13 October, Bogor, Indonesia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RECOFTC participated in ASFCC Supervisory and Planning Meeting to develop the plan and activities in 2013.

			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A bilateral meeting between RECOFTC and delegation from Malaysia, Myanmar and Thailand was held to further consult and seek advice on smoothen the in-countries activities implementation. 3. RECOFTC contributed in the discussion of a planned ASFCC volume. 4. RECOFTC reported to the ASEAN Delegation on the debriefing meeting on the progress of work of ASFCC activities managed at RECOFTC.
25	Governance Part I: Meaning and Tools for Governance in Natural Resources Management	28-30 November 2012, Baan Krajan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 42 persons (28 female and 14 male participants) from Royal Forestry Department, Department of National Park, Wildlife and Plantation, Thailand Green House Gas Organization, Forest Industry Organization, and National Economic and Social Development Board. 2. The workshop addressed several agendas: REDD+ Climate Change mitigation and adaptation, Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) and people's participation. 3. Based on the evaluation process, 85% participants admitted to have a better knowledge on Governance in NRM, and are able to practice the knowledge in their related work.
26	ASFCC Mid Term Review Meeting	22 November, Jakarta, Indonesia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RECOFTC contributed in the planning of the Mid Term Review, by thoroughly discussed along with ASFN Secretariat, NTFP-EP and ASFCC Advisor on issue regarding the plan for courtesy call for Myanmar in 2013, the more-detailed discussion on Chapter section for ASFCC volume, the initiative to get involved with the 3rd Asia Pacific Adaptation Forum, and most importantly, preparing the process for midterm evaluation.

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27	The 2 nd Participatory Action Research (PAR) Meeting	23-24 January, Nay Pyi Daw, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 18 participants from Forest Research Institute, Yezin, Myanmar. 2. The meeting was aimed at sharpening the plan of three research proposal for the Participatory Action Research conducted in Myanmar: The effects of Land Tenure on the Current Processes for Community Forestry Establishment in Myanmar, and The socio economic potential of community forestry in Myanmar.
28	The 2 nd ASFCC Learning Group	18-22 February, Chiang Mai,	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 14 participants comprising 5 ASEAN Member States, ASFCC

	Workshop	Thailand	<p>Advisor, ASFN Secretariat, NTFP-EP and IKAP.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Presented progress of the story-lines to illustrate community forestry in individual countries. 1. Reviewed the submitted inputs of indicators for national and regional databases for social forestry and climate change.
29	Introduction to Climate Change Training Course	25 February – 1 March, Hmaw Bi, Myanmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by representatives from Forestry Department, Forest Research Institute and civil societies. 2. The workshop on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation is aimed at allowing participants to reflect the current status of national policy and relevant initiatives, and to enable them to develop basic understand about climate change and its effect to local people livelihoods, identify causes and impacts of climate change and analyze potential interventions for applying community forestry in mitigating climate change and adapting to climate change impacts
30	Natural Resource management Planning workshop	12-16 March, Nakhon Ratchasima, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 27 participants from 9 community forest network from the north and northeastern of Thailand. 2. The workshop discussed a broad concept of community forestry in Thailand, national resources management planning a process. Participants were also introduced with the concept of participatory approach in forestry as well as stakeholder analysis and community rights. 3. Participants were also introduced to the concept of gathering information from community, especially related to forest for plotting and forest assessment, water condition and soil condition observance.
31	The Third Asia Pacific Adaptation Forum	18-20 March, Incheon, Korea	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participated in the forum through developing the session panel as well as the market place. 2. Organized a panel session on the topic: Forest and Biodiversity with speakers from ASFN and RECOFTC. 3. Highlighted the ASFCC activities from all partners and countries relating to Climate Change Adaptation, by disseminating publication materials and brochures.
32	International Workshop on Community Forestry in Vietnam: Status and Policy Development	3-5 April 2013, Hue, Vietnam	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 16 ASFN Participants from AMS to provide regional perspective and sharing experiences among the ASEAN countries on Community Forestry and giving feedback for the development of

	Orientation		<p>Community Forestry in Vietnam, ASEAN Social Forestry Network (ASFN)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The activity is a follow up activity of the previous regional training organized by RECOFTC. 3. The ASFN nominated participants are CF champions are those who are experts, researchers, policy makers and/or RECOFTC/ASFN training alumni from countries who are able and competent to share the knowledge and experience to countries during the workshop.
33	ASFCC Mid Term Evaluation	Bangkok, 9-10 April 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluator from Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) came to Thailand to conduct interview and fact findings with RECOFTC staff involved with ASFCC as well as stakeholders (Royal Forest Department/RFP) 2. A half day meeting with 7 RECOFTC Staff is arranged to provide sufficient information for the evaluator.
34	ASFN Planning Meeting for the next phase	28 April to 1 May 2013, Hua Hin, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meeting focused on discussing the Mid Term Evaluation of ASFCC/ASFN and plan for ASFCC for the 2nd Phase. 2. One of the most highlighted news during the ASFCC Planning Meeting was confirmation of Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) to continuously support ASFN through ASFCC for the second phase, started from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016. Total funding for 4 supporting partners (CIFOR, RECOFTC, NTFP-EP and newly joined one, ICRAF) in the 2nd phase is 5.5-6 million CHF for three years. 3. Based on the result of midterm review of ASFCC as well as a fruitful discussion between implementation partners (CIFOR, NTFP-EP, and RECOFTC), ASFN Secretariat, (donor), ASFN Secretariat with ASEAN Member States (AMS) during four days meeting, there were some recommendations and notes to be highlighted in the 2nd phase of ASFCC. One of them was the importance in putting the AMS in the driver's seat of the program, by means that AMS should take leading role in ASFCC program activities rather than the supporting partners. One of the ways to do this is by enhancing the role of ASFN Focal Points in the AMS and the resources to enable them to work effectively and efficiently. 4. In the next phase, partners and AMS agreed to continuously deepen and strengthen the ASFCC capacity building activities and networking support for communities, civil society organizations and local economies, which

			actually RECOFTC plays a crucial role in delivering this task.
35	Regional Training Course on Free, Prior, and Informed Consent (FPIC)	Palangkaraya, Indonesia, 13-18 May 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 13 participants, consists of 10 male participants and 3 female participants (7 ASFN sponsored participants and 6 non ASFN participants) 2. The course has 4 objectives to enable participants to share values of FPIC in the design and implementation REDD+ projects under their context, examine key elements of a generic process to respect the right of indigenous peoples and local communities to FPIC, analyze key issues and concerns for integrating FPIC into REDD+ design and implementation process, and develop potential interventions to address key issues and concerns for applying FPIC in their working contexts. 3. Conducted in Palangkaraya, Central Kalimantan Province, Indonesia and field visit to Mantangai Hulu Village, Kuala Kapuas, in Central Kalimantan. 4. In general, participants perceived positively towards the course, including the learning process, capability of the trainers, and facilitators, as well as course infrastructure and facilities. Participants provided some constructive suggestions, such as exploration on more case studies. \
36	Forum and Workshop on REDD+ Experience Sharing: Scenario from Thailand's neighboring Countries	21-22 May 2013, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 103 Officers from Royal Forest Department, Department of National parks, and Thailand Social and Economic Development Council. 2. Updated and informed progress on REDD+ in Thailand as well as information sharing on REDD+ implementation in 3 neighboring countries: Lao PDR, Vietnam and the Philippines. 3. The workshop resulted by putting better understanding among participants on big pictures of REDD+ mechanism and its linkages.
37	Situation Analysis Report: Peer Review meeting	Bangkok, 23 May 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 5 external reviewers (Stockholm Environment Institute), Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Asian Institute of Technology (AIT). 2. Based on constructive comments from the reviewer, RECOFTC revised the document accordingly.
38	CSO and CF Networking Meeting: Updating REDD+ Experience Sharing from Thailand Neighboring Countries	Bangkok, Thailand, 23 May 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 37 participants (9 female and 28 male participants) from 12 civil society organizations and 8 forestry network from north, northwest, south and west. 2. Participants had discussed inquisitively regarding the experiences from Thailand's neighboring countries and their step further on REDD+ phase

			<p>21 and preparation to Thailand.</p> <p>3. Various issues were addressed, such as experience and lessons learned from demonstration sites in Vietnam and Philippines, community concerned on forest plantation and CDM, safeguard, REDD+ demonstration sites, rotational farming, etc.</p>
39	The 7 th ASFN Conference 2013	Luang Prabang, Laos, 17-21 June 2013	<p>1. The 2 days conference (and one day field trip), themed ‘ Village Forests, REDD+, Conservation and Livelihoods’, hosted by ASFN Lao PDR, and co-organized by ASFN Secretariat, with support from the ASEAN-Swiss Partnership on Social Forestry and Climate Change (ASFCC) and Partner’s Organization (CIFOR, NTFP-EP, and RECOFTC) and more supportive institutions, came up with various recommendation strategies for ASFN: to promote social/ community forestry for better understanding among AMS through various channels, to review social forestry and other related policies of member-states and promote enabling policies for social forestry and REDD+ implementation, to promote leadership of countries that already have social forestry/community forestry program, to establish ASEAN trust fund for social forestry.</p> <p>2. For strengthening community and livelihoods, the conference recommended few actions for ASFN to be taken: to endorse ASFN civil society forums, to conduct study on implications of ASEAN economic integration on community and forest-based livelihoods, to collaborate with ASEAN Forestry Extension, Education and Training (ASEAN FEET) to mainstream innovations in social forestry livelihoods among extension agencies.</p> <p>3. This meeting was held on 20-21 June 2013, as an opportunity for ASFCC Partners to exchange ideas and to synergize their plan of activities for the phase 2 of the program, starting January 2014 to December 2016. In the next phase, RECOFTC propose to work closely with countries through various activities: National Action Research, national level training support, CF national working group support, and CF Champions. This work will be carried out collaboratively with other ASFCC supporting partners (CIFOR, NTFP-EP, and ICRAF) as well as national partners, such as government agencies and civil societies</p>
40	The 3 rd Learning Group	Bangkok, Thailand, 1-4 July	<p>1. Attended by 10 Learning Group Members from ASFN countries and</p>

	Workshop	2013	<p>organizations, the 3rd ASFCC Learning Group workshop is aimed to provide input for the final draft of ASFN Situation Analysis 2013 and share result of short stories (written and video) on CF from LG members, and to discuss on ways forward for LG activities in the next phase.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. All Learning Groups member provided a stories on successful CF from their countries as part of deliverables as LG members
41	Study trip to Pred Nai Community: Governance II: Natural Resources Management by Local community	16-18 July 2013, Pred Nai Community, Huang Nam Kao Sub District, Trat, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 20 officers from Royal Forest Department (RFD), DNP and Thailand Social and Economic Development Council. 2. The focus of the study trip is to enable participants to learn from local community's experiences on their good practice of natural resources management, since Pred Nai community has a good reputation on community strength and well management on their mangrove forest which covered a large area. 3. Participants learned to review good governance concept and indicators during the trip by taking Pred Nai as an example, especially the indispensable of good governance practice in natural resources management.
42	Regional Training Course on Community Forestry for Adaptation to Climate Change	Chiang Mai, Thailand, 19-24 August 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The training course is the last of eight of regional training courses managed by ASFCC/ASFN in the phase one of the program. Attended by 16 participants with one internal RECOFTC staff, the course is actually a testing course for the training topic Community Forestry (CF) for Adaptation to Climate Change. 2. Participants come from different source of funding: seven are ASFN nominated participants, three participants sponsored by ASFN Secretariat, two participants sponsored by GIZ, two participants receiving scholarship from ADAPT ASIA -- a USAID Climate Change Adaptation project, and one participant from Nippon Koei, Japan. The course is designed to be conducted in five days classroom sessions, and one day field trip to community forestry, which actually located at a Karen Village, Baan Huay Hin Lad Nay, in Chiang Rai, Thailand. 3. RECOFTC received good feedback from participants regarding the learning process as well as course arrangement. Some constructive feedback from participants, such as, reducing the training content to enable participants in better digesting the knowledge, will be taken into

			account as a reference for us in revising the session plan and handout for future similar course.
43	The 1 st Forum on Bamboo and Livelihoods in Thailand: Knowledge and Local Management System	28 August 2013, Bangkok, Thailand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 132 participants comprising of representatives from local communities (75), government agencies (12), NGOs and independent organizations (33), academic institutes (11) and media (1). 2. To organize this event, RECOFTC received support from various partners: RakThai Foundation, Community Forest Network-Thailand, Biodiversity-based Economic Development Office (BEDO), Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation (DNP), Royal Forest Department (RFD), Institute of Biodiversity and Environment for Local and ASEAN, and Chiang Rai Rajabhat University. 3. The activities in the Forum consist of general lectures, exchange platform, and local bamboo products exhibition. 4. The Forum was concluded with some recommendations, such as suggestion for Thai Government to increase promotion of bamboo plantation in public land, community forests, agricultural land, agro-forestry and remnant forests; providing participatory training for community forestry organizations and communities on Bamboo assessment in natural forest for increasing quality of Bamboo products, etc.
44	National Multistakeholder Workshop in Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 8-9 October 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by representatives of government and civil societies from 3 regions in Malaysia: Peninsular, Sabah and Sarawak, the National Multistakeholder workshop is a kick-off start of other 4 ASFN national activities in Malaysia. 2.
45	Training on Social Forestry Issues and Good Practice	Sabah, Malaysia, 21-26 October 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 25 participants nominated by ASFN Leader Malaysia 2. This training for trainers is aimed to create a better understanding on priority policies and strategic issues of national and local forest climate change strategies.
46	Regional Workshop on Participatory Action Research on Community Forestry	Yezin, Myanmar, 21-22 October 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by high ranking government officials from many provinces, to present the result of Participatory Action Research conducted in 3 selected sites in Myanmar with 3 different topics: 1. How existing tenure rights of land and resources affect on establishment of community forestry in Myanmar; 2. Review on process of CF establishment in

			Myanmar; and 3. Socio-economic impacts of certified and non certified community forests in Myanmar
47	National Workshop on Participatory Action Research on Community Forestry	Yezin, Myanmar, 24-25 October 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by researchers from Forest Research Institute (FRI), Yezin, Myanmar, this will be the closing of 3 research activities of the Participatory Action Research conducted in 3 selected sites in Myanmar with 3 different topics: 1. How existing tenure rights of land and resources affect on establishment of community forestry in Myanmar; 2. Review on process of CF establishment in Myanmar; and 3. Socio-economic impacts of certified and non certified community forests in Myanmar
48	ASFN Study Tour Myanmar ‘Sustainable Natural Resources Management and Networking on Community Forest in Thailand’	Bangkok and Suphanburi, 6-8 November 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 10 Myanmar Government Officials from different relevant ministries, the learning objective of the study tour is to enable participants in gaining knowledge and explore how community based natural resources management works in Thailand in order to support local sustainable livelihoods; and to experience how stakeholders involve in managing protected areas through participatory process. 2. During the field visit, participants had a chance to discuss with the joint Management Protected Areas (JoMPA project on Ban Huay Hin Dam Community Forest and explore the significant of community forest network in the protected areas.
49	Community Forestry Champions Network – Tackling the Obstacles to Community Forestry in Asia	Manila and Northern Luzon, the Philippines, 11-17 November 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 7 ASFN nominated participants from AMS Countries 2. The event is aimed at getting a clearer understanding of the obstacles to the forest tenure reform and CF development; to determine the state of art knowledge and evidence of successful community forestry and developments in key areas such as tenure reform and positive social, environmental and economic benefits, to get a cleared and convincing case for involving communities directly in forest management and in tenure reform, and to develop concrete strategies for action at national and global levels developed through the network and event. 3. In organizing this event, RECOFTC collaborated with the Rights and Resources Initiatives (RRI) and University of Philippines in Los Banos (UPLB). 4. Participants were coming from different countries, ASEAN countries,

			India, China, Papua New Guinea, and Timor Leste.
50	Forum on People and Forests 2013	Bangkok, Thailand, 19-20 November 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 12 ASFN Participants from AMS and ASFCC partners 2. The aim of the Forum is to re-examine the progress of community forestry in the region and explore strategic means to overcome identified obstacles to secure and protect the forests and people that depend on them. 3. RECOFTC aims to engage participants from the Asia-Pacific region and beyond. For the Regional Forum, the total number of participants and observers will be limited to 120 in order to enable productive dialogues and group deliberations. The invitations will be targeted and selected by RECOFTC and organizing partners. Ideally, participants should be key drivers of CF which include representatives of key government agencies, civil society organizations (CSOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and local communities (including indigenous people, women and youth groups). It is also vital to have the involvement and contribution of donors and international organizations, relevant non-forestry sectors, academia, media, and corporate sector both at the regional and national levels.
51	Study Trip, Malaysia	Bangkok, 2-6 December 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 12 participants nominated by ASFN Leader Malaysia 2. The study trip is aimed to enable participants to gain knowledge on community forestry and community forest network development in Thailand; to experience community participation in implementing forest conservation and management in order to support local sustainable livelihoods and product development
52	Training on Conflict Management	Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia, 2-6 December 2013	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by 27 participants nominated by ASFN Leader Malaysia 2. This training is aimed to enable participants to understand basic concept of conflict management from forestry related activities with local communities; and to identify potential interventions for creating awareness and developing understanding on the concept of social forestry among the local communities 3. From the training, it is expected that the participants will be able to train and share their knowledge to other technical/field staff in their institutions.
53	ASFCC Operational Planning for	Bogor and Jakarta, Indonesia,	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attended by ASFCCC implementing partners, ASFN Leaders/ Focal points,

	the 2 nd Phase	2-5 December 2013	and SDC to formulate program of the ASFCC phase 2 2. Agreed on budget and operational plan for ASFCC Phase 2 3. Agreed on mechanism of collaboration among partners.
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