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World Food Programme in Lao PDR

Cash/Food Assistance for Assets Factsheet

Overview

WFP aims to improve the nutritional status of communities in Lao PDR through livelihood development activities including Cash and Food Assistance for Assets (C/FFA). C/FFA projects in food deficit areas are intended to contribute to the improvement of short-term nutritional status of households and to enhance rural development through the creation of productive community-based assets. WFP uses these activities to develop communities' nutrition practices thereby improving the nutrition of whole families.

WFP Lao has been implementing FFA activities for ten years prior to the current Country Programme 2012-2015, particularly as recovery intervention within its Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations.

Programme Coverage

FFA activities were conducted in 2013 in the northern provinces of Oudomxay, Luang Namtha and Luang Prabang as well as the southern provinces of Attapeu and Sekong. Most recently, FFA activities have been implemented in Luang Prabang, Oudomxay and Savannakhet in 2014 as recovery from the 2013 floods that severely affected these provinces.

Activities

FFA projects completed in Laos in 2014 were a range of community-based assets including 80km of feeder roads, 20ha of rice field expansion, construction of 3 fish ponds and 2 water springs as well as 14 infrastructure components such as school yard rehabilitation to prevent flooding and hydraulic infrastructure including canals and dykes.

Sustainability

Should FFA reach a critical mass, WFP's long term

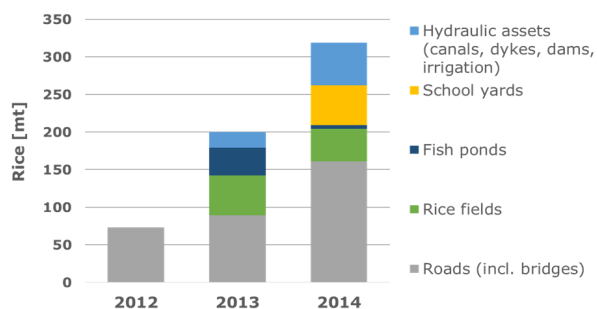
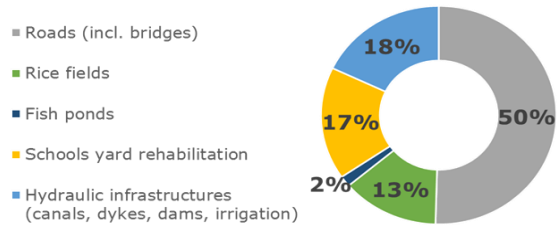
vision is enhanced nutrition status and increased resilience of rural communities as well as supporting the dialogue on social protection including social safety nets.

Results

A total of 316 (118 female) FFA participants were trained in nutrition awareness by WFP in Oudomxay Province in 2014.



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