

RDA Background

RDA Traces its origin from Participatory Development Training Center (PADETC). PADETC known as the first local organization founded by Lao people . PADETC becoming an indigenous, all-Lao organization committed to making a unique and distinctive contribution to the development of Lao PDR. PADETC used a centers-based approach in its work that saw the emergence of 6 centers that, well groomed by PADETC and some have already become semi-autonomous organisations and SuanMaiLao Eco-Forest Learning Center (SML) inclusive. SML only focused on educating young people and the general public on the importance of ecology in relation to holistic education and development.

In 2015, SuanMaiLao Eco-Forest Learning Center (SML) had changed name to Rural Development Agency (RDA) a Lao based Non-Profit Agency founded in 2009 as a PADETC Organization but this time with an expanded mandates and believes. RDA has extensive experience and networks within the Lao communities and working with young people, communities, local authorities and village functionalities in promoting sustainable and inclusive community development in Laos. RDA believes communities have abilities to be self-sustaining when their capacity, confidence, networking and dialogue for longer term community led empowering development programmes are initiated.



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Rural Development Agency (RDA)



RDA Vision:

A model Agency that inspires and empowers rural communities.

RDA Mission:

Facilitating an holistic self-sustaining capacity strengthening and quality provision of services in community education, environment and livelihoods.

Objectives:

1. To provide holistic community learning model for improved and alternative livelihoods.
2. To engage and build capacity of communities; youth and women to participate in the development rural communities.
3. To provide capacity building services on behalf of partners for community development and sustainability.



3 Thematic Areas of RDA

1. Environment:

- (a) Environmental Education for sustainable development),
- (b) Biodiversity conservation (Forests, Climate change, water, Land, watersheds, Land use, etc. and,
- (c) WASH (HWTS, Waste Management and CLTS)

2. Community Education

- (a) Volunteerism,
- (b) Socio-Economic Empowerment and
- (c) Training Services/ Capacity Building

3. Livelihoods

- (a) Alternative income generation,
- (b) Food and nutrition security;-Agroecology and
- (c) Produce (Mindful) Marketing.

Learning
Process



Learning Organisation is the goal of Rural Development Agency (RDA) aims to reached . There are several building blocks to be focus to achieve this goal together with all members such as Leadership, Shared Vision, Systems Thinking, Thinking about Thinking, Individual Learning, Communication and Information and Supportive Environment

