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Monitoring framework of CLC's Open Project in Ban Somsune Village

1. Strategies

How to maintain the CLC's sustainability? From that point, we have to consolidate all components, which it could be created any impacts to the CLC as a whole. It includes some main aspects (human resources; funding resources; material resources; and methodology of management).

2. Modalities

- **Create the need and interest** of people by provide to the Ban Somsune Vil large committee one study visit to the Keo-Kou's CLC (Vientiane Province).
- Emphasize on the importance of "**ownership**" by questioning and discussion that who won CLC? In the orientation workshop at Ban Somsune Village.
- Use the **Participative approach** on the pre-planning session; planning process; implementing activities; monitoring/ evaluation mechanism; and planning improvement etc.
- **Integrate training** in each step of the whole project cycle, that it links theory with practice. For example: we train the local stag before survey needs/problems; before planning; etc.
- Use the **CLC as the implementation Pool of all programmes** in the Somsune Community such as: Meeting/seminar; sommunity/rural development programme; literacy programme; distance basic education; etc.

3. Outcome

While it was starting from their self-perpetuating cycle that, Somsune Village Committee can manage the CLC's activities with success results as the following:

- all adult villagers become literate,
- 48 persons with 32 women get new basic skill/vocational training,

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- from their own potential, they produced 67.903 tons of sugar product,
- each family can create an additional income one to five millions kip of US\$117 to US\$588.
- Their living condition has been steadily improved.

4. Factors of success

For maintaining the Somsune CLC's activities, we are not looking down these following issues:

- The political will and commitment of the Lao government on promoting basic education and on the poverty reduction.
- In the last decade, starting from Jomtien Declaration 1990, we have the high opportunity to get these innovative ideas on education from experts/educators of our Asia-Pacific Region organized by UNESCO-PROAP and ACCU.
- Our Lao people have a high aspiration to be solved out of the illiterate and the poor living conditions.

But the main factor of success is how to maintain CLC's sustainability at the implementation level that:

- To emphasize on Local Staff Qualification of monitoring/ evaluation.
- To do the regular internal monitoring/evaluation and report monthly to District Educational Office.
- To visit regularly in the field of the pedagogical advisors from the District Educational Office.

(A regular internal monitoring of the CLC linked with field visit of upper level can improve a sustainability of CLC.)