

Mae Phae Royal Project Development Center

Background

Mae Phae Royal Project Development Center was established in 2001. The center has provided supports for the farmers in the area to grow temperate crops which are suitable for local climate and environment in order to conserve the environment and improve their livelihood making them self-sufficient.



General Information

Geography

Mountainous area with plains at the foot of valley and mountain covers 94,524 Rai or approximately 37,371 acres at 600 – 1,200 meters above sea level.

Climate

The average temperature is 24.01 °C or 75.2 °F.

Population

More than 2,220 Pgakûuyau or Karen and lowland people live in 9 villages and 3 communities.

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Mae Phae Royal Project Development Center has provided supports for the local farmers in crop cultivation to meet Food Safety Standard such as Good Agricultural Practices (GAP). The center also supports them in fruit, tea, coffee, field crop cultivation and animal farming.

Furthermore, the community engagement to strengthen the local people and their community, natural resource and environmental conservation, reforestation project known as “Three Forests, Four Benefits”, Vetiver grass growing to reduce soil erosion, chemical use

reduction, and contamination monitoring are supported by the center. The center itself has been promoted as a learning center on highland agriculture for students, farmers and others who are interested.

Main produces of the Center

French Bean, Japanese Cucumber, Eggplant Purple Round, Eggplant Purple Long, Royal Project Tomato, Cherry Tomato, Zucchini, Japanese Sweet Potato, Sugar Snap Pea, Chinese Cabbage, Passion Fruit, Avocado, Mango, Grape, Cape Gooseberry, Black - Boned chicken, Chicken – Bresses, Assam Tea, Upland Rice and White Kidney Bean.

How to travel

Mae Phae Royal Project Development Center is 65 km. from Chiang Mai city. With good condition road, the trip will last only 1.5 hr. Firstly, take highway 107 (Chiang Mai – Mae rim) for 20 km. Then, take a left turn into highway 1095 for 4 km. and turn right to Mae Ki – Pang Hai Rd. for 23 km. After that turn right and head to Samoeng Neu for another 18 km.

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