

Pang Kha Royal Project Development Center

Background

PangKha Royal Project Development Center was set up in 1987 by the Royal Project Foundation with the aims of area improvement, soil and water conservation system, land allocation for hill tribes, agricultural supports for farmers, infrastructure quality improvement and watershed forest conservation (since the forest in this area is the origin of Yom River).



General Information

Geography

The center is located in mountainous area at 400 – 1,200 meters above sea level with not many plains and covers 3,500 Rai (1383 acres).

Climate

The average temperature is 25 °C (77 °F).

Population

More than 4,950 Mien and Hmong resides in 7 villages and 3 communities.

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At present, the center provides development and supports for local farmers in growing vegetables and fruits in Food Safety System such as Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) in order to create sustainable income and improve their livelihood. Furthermore, community engagement in natural resource and environmental conservation, reforestation project called “Three Forests, Four Benefits”, soil and water conservation by Vetiver grass growing, chemical use reduction campaign, and contamination monitoring campaign, community strength, Clean Village Project, Drug-Free Village Project, Mien handicraft preservation are promoted and supported by the center. The center itself has also been a learning center on highland agriculture for students, farmers and people who are interested.

Main produces of the Center

Kailaan, Baby Pak Choi, Japanese Melon, Royal Project Tomato, Cherry Tomato, Green Red and Yellow Capsicum, Eggplant Purple Round, Cabbage, Beetroots, Japanese Cucumber, Chinese Kale, Celery, Potato, Avocado, Passion Fruit, Cape Gooseberry, Mango and Grape.

How to travel

1st Route: The distance from Chiang Rai city to the center is 127 km. From Chiang Rai city, take highway 1148 for 64 km. to Teung District. After that drive for 26 km. to Chiang Kham District. Then, continue driving for 8 km. to Baan Thung Lom Mai. Next, take the left turn to the north and drive to Baan Hae for 12 km. Turn right and continue on the road for 5 km. before taking a left turn. After that, drive for 12 km. to Tham Sakoen National Park.

2nd Route: The distance from Pa Yao province to the center is 119 km. Passing Pong District and arriving Chiang Kham intersection, take highway 1092 for 104 km. Then continue driving for 3 km. along highway 1148 and take a left turn to the north to Tham Sakoen National Park for another 12 km.

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