



## Innovative Garden for Sustainable Learning

**I**nnovative Garden for Sustainable Learning Project was organized in conformity with the policy of Department of Environmental Quality Promotion to encourage the development of green spaces on buildings by implementing 8 strategies to reach 5 goals for HM the King's greener and livelier Thailand. To kick off the project, the deck area around Aree Samphan Auditorium, the stairs going up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, and the areas under the inner stairs up to 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and the outer stairs up to 3<sup>rd</sup> floor were renovated into the sample garden for learning the advantages of natural resources, how to rely on and live with nature, along with the use of environmentally – friendly indoor garden design as the new innovation that is beneficial for users, being the prototype of environmentally – friendly building, as well as the Government office that implants the realization of environmental quality promotion among the people, students and private sector. In addition, the knowledge from Innovative Garden for Sustainable Learning Project can be developed in Government office skyscrapers in cities, and residences to expand green spaces both horizontally and vertically.

Innovative Garden for Sustainable Learning displays the idea of architectural design on the basis of environmental issues in the city and richness of natural resources and environment associated with spaces in each building to create beauty and relaxation, produce agricultural products, and integrate with creation of



surroundings that encourages learning about environment and architecture, selection of environmentally – friendly, reused and recycled materials as well as introduction of suitable plants for growing on the decks of buildings. Moreover, the learning area was divided into 6 zones, namely Welcoming Zone – where the sequence of access to available knowledge in the garden is introduced, Exhibition Zone for Soil and Water Conservation, Multi-purpose Zone, Green Spaces in Cities Information Zone, Relaxing Zone, and Exhibition Zone with Varieties of Plant.



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## ASEAN Workshop on The Role of Youth in Green Consumption : Stepping forward to One Community



'Green Consumption' emerges as an alternative approach for environmental sustainability. Many regions and countries attempt to encourage people and societies to realize the importance of this concept and become environmental consumers.

Therefore, the ASEAN Workshop on the Role of Youth in Green Consumption: Stepping forward to One Community was hosted by the Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, Thailand, on 16-20 July 2013 at Siam@Siam Hotel, Bangkok.

- : To provide knowledge and understandings on the main concept of green consumption.
- : To encourage ASEAN youth to exchange views and ideas regarding green consumption and to examine ways for further cooperation and commitment in the ASEAN region based on the power of youth.
- : To support role of youth in environmental sustainability in ASEAN region.

## Environmental Conservation Camp for Underprivileged Children and Youths

**D**ePARTMENT of Environmental Quality Promotion is aware of the current situation that our environment has been threatened by human behavior which created the path of development focusing on economic growth and strength, while sacrificing unlimited amount of natural resources and environment, and the society's trend that supports extravagant and non-environmental friendly consumption. These caused unceasing environmental issue. Youths are one of the target groups accepted to play important roles and have the power of driving the country towards sustainable development. In the past, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion has worked with the youths in schools and universities, which have been considered to be the main target groups, across the country. Nowadays, underprivileged children and youths were included when we



organized the training project called "Environmental Conservation Camp for Underprivileged Children and Youths" on 29-31 of May 2013 at Erawan National Park in Srisawas District of Karnchanaburi Province. The camp provided opportunities and encouraged 70 youths with hearing disability from Sotasuksa School to learn, take their parts in environmental activities, realize the significance of natural resources and environment, as well as develop environmental awareness through giving them a lecture using appropriate tools, media, or simple equipment to match the ability of the attendees. There were also knowledge sharing through small group activity, and study of nature and environment to develop physical and mental potential of underprivileged children and youths to become environmental citizens in the future.

## World Environment Day 2013



**O**n 5 June 2013, HRH Princess Srirasmee, the Royal Consort of HRH Crown Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn, graciously presided over the opening of World Environment Day Exhibition 2013 under the concept of “Think•Eat•Save,” at Royal Paragon Hall, Siam Paragon Shopping Mall, Bangkok. In this occasion, HRH Princess presented The Great Lady Prizes in Natural Resources and Environment

Preservation and Honorary Prizes for Environmentally - friendly Learning Sources, and also looked around the exhibition while being welcomed by Mr. Preecha Rengsomboonsuk, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment; along with Mr. Chote Trachu, Permanent Secretary of Natural Resources and Environment; Mr. Jatuporn Buruspat, Director General of Department of Environmental Quality Promotion; as well as high executives, government officers, authorities, staffs and the public.



### The activities in this exhibition consisted of 3 parts as follows:

**Part 1:** Presentation of prizes related to environment, i.e. G Mark for Environmentally - friendly Production and the prizes for the winners of “New Generation Cares for Environment” Video Clip Contest.

**Part 2:** “Think•Eat•Save” Forum by environmental experts.

**Part 3:** World Environment Day Exhibition organized by organization under the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment and other related institutes. This part also includes selling environmental preservative products such as books and daily consumable products, fashion show from Reduction of Plastic Use for Global Warming Treatment Project, and showing the movie “Epic”, etc.



## “Little Eden and Happy Sea” Bilingual Braille Edition



On 16 May 2013, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, in conjunction with its subsidiaries, namely, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion and Department of Marine and Coastal Resources, organized an activity that gives away comic books named “Little Eden and Happy Sea” Bilingual Braille Edition and Bruda Whale Dolls to the Bangkok School for the Blinds. Dr. Kasemsun Chinnavaso, Head of Inspector General of Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, chaired the presentation of the comic books, the dolls and 129,272 baht raised from selling Stuffed Bruda Whale to people to support the school’s production of instruction media.

The publishing of “Little Eden and Happy Sea” Bilingual Braille Edition was financially supported by the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand and Ratchaburi Electricity Generating Holding Public Company Limited. As a result, we produced the first 700 marine comic books with relief images in both Thai and English and 220 Stuffed Bruda Whale for the blind students to study with the comic books. Department of Marine and Coastal Resources will be responsible for giving the books and Soft toys to totally 226 schools and libraries for the blinds all over Thailand.

## Congratulations to the New Deputy Director General, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013, Mr. Sakol Thinagul, Deputy Director General, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, paid respect to holy artifacts in the department comprised of the holy relic, the replica emerald Buddha image, and the spirit house as the auspicious start after his designated as Deputy Director General, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion. In this occasion, Executives, government officers and employees were gathering to congratulate him warmly.



## 5<sup>th</sup> Kob Junior Project on Press Conference



On 21<sup>st</sup> of May 2013, Mr. Jatuporn Buruspat, Director General of Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, along with Mrs. Rachanee Emaruchi, Deputy Director General, presided over the press conference on launching the 5<sup>th</sup> Kob (Frog) Junior, the only project in Thailand that gives the youngsters, high school and vocational students, opportunities to participate in a documentary making contest. The contestants are required to create their contents related to this year's competition topic - "Thailand in 21<sup>st</sup> Century", at the facility in this coming November. Modern Nine TV Station. The prizes and

scholarships worth 500,000 baht will be rewarded to the winners at the end of the competition.

After the project's launch, activities such as Kob Junior on Tour of 4 Regions and Super Kob Conqueror Fun Camp would be organized to provide the participants with necessary skills for documentary production. The qualified pieces will be selected and awarded Super Kob Junior Prize or other related categories in the final round in this coming November.

## “DEQP Plants Trees around the House”

**O**n 26 June 2013, Environmental Information Center, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, organized “DEQP Plants Trees around the House” and “Working as a Team to Achieve



Organization’s Success Forum” at Public Service Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Department of Environmental Quality Promotion Building. Mr. Jatuporn Buruspat, Director General of DEQP, presided the opening ceremony with Mrs. Malee Hutacharoen, Director of Environmental Information Center, delivering the report. The objective of this activity is to replace the damaged trees as well as increase the green space around the area of the department. Besides, the outcome of the activity will serve as a place for relaxation and environmental study for the community. In addition, the forum was organized to learn and share the experience of teamwork, the process which drives the organization to the successes of human resource, organization and publication which helps implant the people’s conscience and conserve natural resources and environment.

## Natural Resources and Environmental Information (Waste Disposal Sources)

**D**epartment of Environmental Quality Promotion, by Environmental Information Center – the information center for natural resources and environment, has created the database for waste disposal sources and waste disposal in local administration organizations in 2011-2013 covering the areas of 74 provinces (excluding Pattani, Yala and Narathiwat), to use as the database of waste disposal sources and waste disposal for agencies responsible in environmental quality management. In this database, the user can, for example, search for the names of responsible agencies of each area, calculate the amount of waste in each area, and describe the methods of waste disposal. This initiative of database collection consist of totally 3,080 operating sources of waste disposal and learned that the government has spent over 1 billion baht of its fiscal budget on solving problems caused by waste. This amount of expense has not yet included the other environmental quality problems such as qualities of air, soil and water. Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, by Environmental Information Center, has been offering the information to the people and related public service agencies for the use that will contribute to the future national policy setting. To attain this database, interested agencies need to contact Environmental Information Center, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, at Tel: 02 298 5636 or e-mail address: ubon@deqp.mail.go.th.



## Senior Talks with Junior employ staffs on Organization Development

**D**epartment of Environmental Quality Promotion, by Environmental Information Center, organized a coaching activity called “Senior Talks with Junior staffs on Organization Development” on 25 April 2013, at Public Service Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of DEQP Building. The opening of this event was chaired by Dr. Anong Chanamool, Department Secretary, and the closing was chaired by Mrs. Malee Hutacharoen, Director of Environmental Information Center. In this occasion, we were honored



by having Ms. Savitree Srisuk, Director of Environmental Education Section, Public Education and Extension Division, giving lecture and sharing her working experience and ideas with younger officers. This activity’s objectives were to pass

on the knowledge from senior to junior officers, bringing about the continuous improvement, and to enhance the relationship between senior and junior officers, leading our organization to become a happier work place and our future working.

## June UN Climate Change Conference in Bonn sees concrete progress toward new agreement and speeding up climate action

(Bonn, 2-14 June 2013) – The UN Climate Change Conference in Bonn, Germany, after making concrete progress towards a new universal climate change agreement and on creating solutions to increase existing global action to deal with climate change. In Bonn, the “Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action” (ADP) and the “Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice” (SBSTA) continue their work until the end of this week. The climate change negotiation is tasked both to complete a universal climate agreement by 2015 that will come into force from 2020, and to find ways to increase the current inadequate level of global ambition to address human-generated climate change before the end of the decade.

ADP tasked to design the new agreement and to raise near-term global ambition to deal with climate change, was meeting for the second time this year. A key focus of the ADP negotiation in Bonn was on how to transform the world’s energy systems quickly enough towards low-carbon, including renewable energy, energy efficiency and the consideration of carbon capture and storage.

At the ongoing UN Climate Change Conference in Bonn, work under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change’s (UNFCCC’s) Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) has been suspended without governments formally adopting an agenda for the body’s work at this two-week session. A proposal by Belarus, the Russian Federation and Ukraine to include procedural and legal issues relating to decision-making within the agenda of the SBI was not accepted by the majority of governments, in the precise way in which the three Parties had requested it.

Among other things, Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, one of the many Thai agencies attending this conference, as Thai government representative which was assigned to responsible for three topic: Article 6 of the Convention, Capacity Building, and Research & Systematic Observation.

One of them, SBI had organized the first Dialogue, in according to COP 18 adopted the Doha work programme on Article 6 of the Convention and SBI has requested to organize an annual in-session Dialogue on Article 6 of the Convention.

Its objective is to provide a regular forum to Parties and stakeholders to share their experiences, exchange ideas, good practices and lessons learned regarding the implementation of Article 6 of the Convention. Reaffirming the importance of climate change education, training, public awareness, public participation, public access to information and international cooperation on these matters for achieving the ultimate objective of the Convention and for the effective implementation of adaptation and mitigation actions. The six elements of Article 6 of the Convention are clustered into two focal area, the first focal area were held in Bonn as consists of education, training and international cooperation.

The Dialogue consisted of 5 sessions that focus on (1) Panel discussion on strategic approaches and long-term planning of climate change education, (2) Challenges, good practices and lessons learned from the implementation of climate change education at the national level, (3) Measuring for results, (4) Challenges, good practices and lessons learned from the planning, implementation and evaluation of climate change training at the national level, and (5) Opportunities for strengthening the implementation of climate change education and training through international cooperation. The chair and closing remarks was by Mr. Tomasz Chruszczow, Chair of the SBI and Chair of the first Dialogue on Article 6 of the Convention. More interesting detailed, please see [http://unfccc.int/cooperation\\_and\\_support/education\\_and\\_outreach/items/7670.php](http://unfccc.int/cooperation_and_support/education_and_outreach/items/7670.php)



**Weather VS Climate:** Weather is the condition of the atmosphere at a particular place over a short period of time. For example, on a particular day in Singapore, the weather is warm in the afternoon. But later in the day, when there are clouds blocking Sun’s rays, the weather would become cooler.



While weather describes the condition of the atmosphere at a particular time, climate refers to the weather pattern of a place over a long period, long enough to yield meaningful averages. For example, although the weather in Singapore may be cool and dry today, Singapore’s climate is hot and wet.



## National Workshop for NEV-NET Committees

Department of Environmental Quality Promotion, as an organization supporting the work of Natural Resources and Environmental Volunteer Network (NEV-NET), organized "National Workshop for NEV-NET Committees" on 3-14 July 2013 at Golden City Hotel in Rayong Province under the concept of "Sharing, Learning and Upgrading to Sustainable Development". This workshop's purpose was to follow up the progress of each province's operation, create participation within the network in sustainable natural resources and environmental management, as well as share the knowledge on how each province is operating. Participants also got to visit Combined Heat and Power Plant of IRPC Public Company Limited in Cherng Nern Industrial Park, Rayong Province, as well as study on the solutions for society, health and environment around IRPC Rayong's Industrial Area. The activities from this event will help the



network's implementation to be conformed to 8 strategies and 5 goals to upgrade the working process of NEV-NET, enhance the cooperation with other networking parties, and create the procedure that efficiently drives the work of NEV-NET in responsible provinces.

- 100** People Target Group Comprises:
- 76** Chairmen of NEV-NET Provincial Committees
  - 14** Coordination and Network Development Officers
  - 10** Department of Environmental Quality Promotion Officers

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- 6. เลิกกิจการ
- 7. ย้ายไม่ทราบที่อยู่ใหม่
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**Reminder:** The first step of waste prevention has been overshadowed by a focus on recycling. Please help to promote a greater awareness of the importance of the "Reduce" part of the Reduce-Reuse-Recycle mantra.