### 3. Khao Kwan Foundation

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#### Specializations of Khao Kwan Foundation

Sustainable agriculture, organic agriculture, integrated agriculture, natural agriculture, organic agriculture promotion, rice breeding and crop development, and knowledge management

#### Experiences

A former government official working at Central Agriculture Office, Chainat Province, then left the position and started natural agriculture by not using chemical fertilizer, not using toxic substances against pests and developing rice seed continually. Khao Kwan Foundation is aimed at promoting knowledge for farmers and community from outside perspectives and restoring the existing knowledge to bring about innovation and strengthening agriculture without polluting the environment, protecting and restoring the natural resources enabling the reduction of external production and strengthening more self-independent.

#### Honorable Awards

- 2009: Honorable award for supporting the activity entitled “Domestic Medication” by Referral Health Center Prawat Wasi
- 2009: A committee for a program “Kun Kunh Kun”, awarded 1
- 2005: Award “Pechdeesri” Khon Kaen University by Alumni at Khon Kaen University
- 2005: Excellent Research Award by Research Fund Academy
- 2002: Contributor Award by Agriculture Academia at Ministry of Agriculture

#### General Data of Khao Kwan Foundation

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#### Background of Khao Kwan Foundation

The foundation started by the project of raising fish in rice fields and promoting integrated agriculture at North-East Region 1984, in which the foundation was under the supervision of Appropriate Technology Association (ATA). It was until 1989 that the foundation was established its own center named Technology Center for Society known as (TREE), and registered as Khao Kwan Foundation in 1998, a private institution working to develop agricultural technology appropriate for the community based in Suphanburi Province consisting of 4 districts, namely Muang District, Bangplama District, Yuthorng District, and Dornjedee District, aiming at contributing the knowledge to farmers. The training courses cover the following areas: plant and rice seed development, research on the impacts of chemical substances used in agriculture sector, solutions for farmers to do non-chemical farming.

Therefore, the center has taken parts in agriculture development plan, in consistence with new philosophy of sufficiency economy theories of the Office of Secretary of Agriculture and Cooperatives and Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives in 2007.
Training Courses

To strengthen the philosophy of sufficiency economy theories in order to strengthen self-reliance through “knowledge management”, summarized for the training courses so as to enable the farmers to be aware of unique impacts and to bring about the solutions by themselves, all of which are instructed with the project titled “Sustainable Agriculture” consisting of three stages as follow:

Stage 1: Mainly focusing on experience exchange, problem discussions to find the proper solutions, philosophy of sufficiency economy, and teamwork.

Stage 2: Practical work for small household farmers in reducing and getting rid of chemical substances in agriculture which is to, instead, replace with natural ways and ways to cut down the expense of agriculture production such as agro-ecological system, soil development and soil quality restoration, and the development rice seeds.

Stage 3: Visiting the fields of successful farmers located in Dornjedee District and Muang Distric, Suphanburi Province, in order to able to exchange ideas and experiences which could be an inspiration and knowledge to apply on their own farms.

Facilities and Equipment of Khao Kwan Foundation

The center is able to accommodate around 50-80 people, including two-story building, training building, whose second floor is equipped with air-conditioners. The dormitory is on the second floor of canteen and the dorm is equipped with 12 good-condition bathrooms, and standardized kitchens in the food center. The training building was equipped with audio-visual aids and other facilities such as computers, speakers, microphone, whiteboard, and markers.
Map of Khao Kwan Foundation

Siengmuang Bridge to Youthorng Dist.

Thaset Road

Traffic Light

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