

About AFA:

Established in 2002, Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development (AFA) is a regional alliance of national farmers' organizations, currently with 20 member organizations in 16 countries, with a combined membership of around 13 million women and men small-scale farmers, fishers and indigenous peoples. It works at local, national and regional levels, facilitating knowledge sharing and learning; conducting policy consultations and building consensus on various policy issues; representing small-scale farmers in Asia in regional and international gatherings and building member organizations' capacities on organizational development, sustainable agriculture and farmer cooperatives and their enterprises.

About FFF:

The FFF is a partnership launched in September 2012 between FAO, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and AgriCord. Its mission is to promote sustainable forest and farm management by supporting local, national, regional and international organizations and platforms for effective engagement in policies and investments that meet the needs of local people. It funds partnership agreements and small grants with smallholder, women, community and Indigenous Peoples' producer organizations and governments at local, national, regional and international levels through the following pillars: (1) strengthen smallholder, women, community and Indigenous Peoples' producer organizations for business/livelihoods and policy engagement; (2) Catalyze multi-sectoral stakeholder policy platforms with governments at local and national levels; and (3) Link local voices and learning to global arena through genuine participatory processes/communication and information sharing. Actual Donors include Finland, Germany, Sweden, the United States and AgriCord.

About This Publication:

This is a compilation of case studies written by AFA members who implemented FFF projects in 2015-2016. The cases reflect the struggles, the actions and the lessons learned by AFA members in organizing and building the capacities of their members in forested landscapes, at village, commune or district/town levels, in pursuit of the five priority agenda of AFA : promote secure tenurial rights over land and forest resources, produce diverse and nutritious food through sustainable agri-forestry, build and strengthen family farmers cooperatives and their enterprises, empower women members and attract youth to agriculture.

