

### THEME 1

# **Traditional Crops and Foods**

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"From Traditional Crops to Fast Food; Diversity and Change in Southeast Asian Food Production and Consumption"

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"<u>From Traditional Crops</u> to Fast Food; Diversity and Change in Southeast Asian Food Production and Consumption"

Theme 1: Traditional crops and foods

- Traditional or indigenous food crops are those accepted by a community, by habit and tradition, as appropriate and desirable sources of food. (FAO). In time, people develop ways of preparing dishes from these crops; into parts of their diet and consumption, and become traditional foods.
- Traditional crops are important part of subsistence agriculture as cultivation practices are familiar to them; require low inputs; available family labor; and their seasonality fits well into their farming systems of mixed cropping, shifting cultivation and bush fallow.





### BENEFITS OF TRADITIONAL FOOD CROPS

(Adapted from FAO, 1988)

- Important in cropping strategies and consumption patterns of poor households
- Diversified diet; rich in nutrients; broadens food base
- Improving food security: availability, access, utilization/ adequacy
- Helps increase crop productivity, conserve soil and increase fertility
- Increase household income equitably; role of women in traditional food crops production (i.e. field patches, home gardens); added value from natural-based farm systems
- Provide community resilience in face of climate change
- Economic benefits, supply and demand side

FAO and various global studies stressed the multi-dimensional framework of food security: availability, access, utilization- nutrient adequacy, in consideration of vulnerability of people and communities. IN PARTICULAR,

#### Nutritious foods utilization is enhanced through:

- variety of foods at community and household levels
- introduction of new crops
- promotion of underexploited traditional food crops
- home gardens
- Nutrition knowledge, a vital missing link in the ingredients to good nutrition

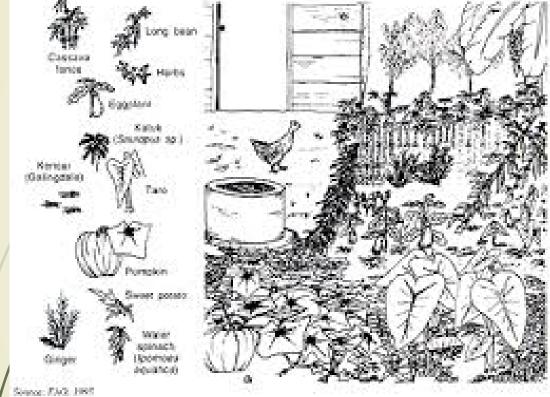


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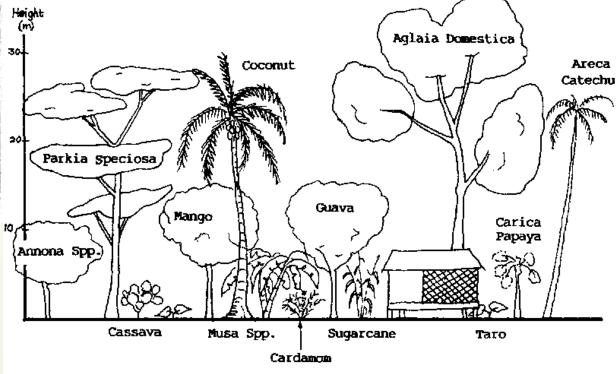
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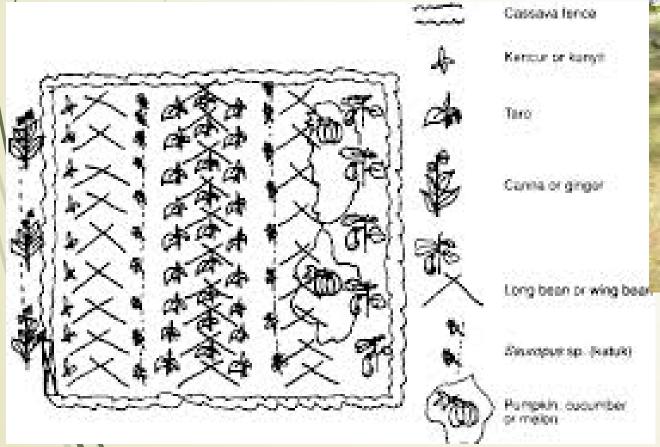


Source: Nair 1988











#### SAMPLES OF TRADITIONAL CROPS & FOODS

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Fruits & veggies

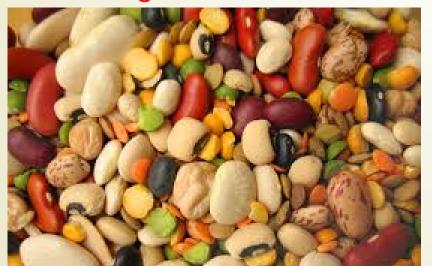


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### THEME I: TRADITIONAL FOOD AND CROPS

- 4 Paper and 3 Poster Presentations
- Indonesia and the Philippines

#### Research issues:

Documentation of traditional/ indigenous crops
Assessment of nutrient adequacy, food intake
Action research: improve traditional crops yield &
household income, capability building
Climate change and impact on traditional crops; social change and impact on food and nutrition security.



TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
Enhancement of farm household income, food security and capability building in the province of Ifugao through the adoption of integrated crop management for indigenous and high yielding rice varieties	Aimed at increasing farm household income and sustained food for the family through integrated crop management practices, and organic farming.	Experimentation: Integrated Crop Management - use of biofertilizer, biopesticide; use of wild sunflower leaves ( <i>Tithonia</i> diversifolia), Madre de Cacao leaves ( <i>Gliricidia</i> sepium), indigenous microorganism (IMO), Papaya Fruit Extracts (FPJ) and botanicals.



TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
Nutrient intake and nutritional status of Cirendeu people in West Java who consumed cassava as staple foods	To analyse intake, and nutritional status of Circundeu people in West Java who consumed cassava as staple foods. Research area- District of Cimahi, Province of West Java, Indonesia	Formal survey using Questionnaires: consumption of households, statistical analysis – intake indicators  3 categories of households based on staple consumption: CC - cassava only CCR - cassava and rice. CR - rice only



TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
Underutilized food plants in food insecure area of Bangkalan district and the potential role of local religious leader for promoting their consumption  (Madura island)	Aimed to explore potency of underutilized food plants in food insecure area of Bangkalan District and the potential role of local religious leader for promoting their consumption.	Formal interview of 100 hhs in 2 sub-districts  Focused Group Discussion (FGD), farmer groups  In-depth interview, religious leaders



TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
Climate change and modern farming technologies: impacts on productivity, biodiversity and food security in the rice terraces of the Cordillera Region, Northern Philippines	To document and analyze the impacts of climate change and modern farming technologies on the level of productivity, biodiversity status and food security of farming families who are dependent on the rice terraces for survival.	Coverage: four rice terraces clusters in four provinces in CAR (Apayao, Kalinga, Mountain Province and Ifugao)  10 Key informant interviews per site Historical timeline workhops conducted to facilitate the collection of data from oral recalls.  A second workshop was conducted using the VAST-AGRO tool to collect information on the impacts and vulnerabilities of the rice terraces to climate extremes.  Data gathering relied solely on the use of a survey questionnaire, focus group discussion, collection of soil and water samples and aquatic biodiversity assessment. A Focus Group Discussion (FGD) was assembled to validate the data after its consolidation.



## POSTER A2

TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
PH 233  Diversity and utilization of roots and tubers among indigenous peoples in Northern Philippines	To retrieve, revive, and strengthen indigenous knowledge on root and tuber crops production and utilization.	Secondary data gathering, Repeated interview-workshops among key informants  Follow-up field observations



# POSTER A1

TITLE	OBJECTIVE	METHODS
PH 224  Improving food security in the family through identification and cultivation of wild edible fungi in selected provinces of the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), Philippines	Primarily aimed at identifying and determining the utilization of wild edible fungi at the local level.	Community-based survey (questionnaire, FGD) on the utilization of edible fungi  Identify fungal biodiversity selected provinces (Mt. Province. Ifugao, Apayao)  Document and disseminate information on the taxonomy and biogeography of CAR's fungal bio-diversity providing increasing accessibility to the knowledge base, and as a source of food for households.



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Social changes, food nutrition systems, and dietary diversity of indigenous people in java: a study in Kase Ciptagelar and Sinar	and nutrition systems and dietary divers the indigenous pepuhan in study areas	s, food West Java, Indonesia.  tems, sity of Formal survey interviews of 200 hhs-



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