# Agriculture for Nutrition Project – Phase 2 (AFNII)

# FACTSHEET Progress Overview

May 2025

## Overall project status:

- The project is in its third year of implementation, with arrangements overall on track
- Village planning completed for 75 batch 1 and 168 batch 2 villages
- 27,446 people reached, including 15,008 women (54.7%)

## Component 1: Community-driven agriculture and natural resources-based nutrition interventions established.

### Farmer Nutrition Schools:

- 168 batch 2 villages completed orientation
- 512 Village Nutrition Facilitators trained
- 75 batch 1 villages completed modules; 20 batch 2 villages started
- 75 Village Learning Centers established (41 new, 34 renovated)

### Integrated Home Gardens:

- 2,869 garden grants approved for vulnerable women
- 2,023 grants distributed in 2024, 846 in 2025
- Basic agriculture training completed for key staff

### Domestic Food Processing:

- TOTs completed for 12 identified products

### Community Rice Banks:

- 250 villages targeted for support

### Community Nutrition/Gender:

- GALS activities started in 10 pilot villages

### Agriculture Production Groups:

- 173 APGs identified total
- 19 APGs received funding
- Training conducted

### Home-Grown School Feeding:

- Implementation begins 2025
- 30 target schools to be selected Q3-2025

### Climate Infrastructure:

- Village priorities identified
- Engineer recruited

### Local Food Sources:

- Survey completed in 15 villages (analysis ongoing)
- Technical manual developed
- Pha Khao Lao website updated and launched

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## Component 2: Business partnerships and market access improvement

- Groundwork completed: PIM understanding, tool design, stakeholder coordination
- MSP guidelines drafted ("Local Network Building for Inclusive Agribusiness Development")
- TOTs delivered to provincial MSP teams
- Pilot MSPs launched
- MSME support and market infrastructure activities budgeted under Funding Gap
- Infrastructure engineer hiring planned for Q3-2025

## Component 3: Enabling Environment & Partnerships

- **Multisector Planning:** Batch 2 village orientation completed with FPIC; all 20 District Nutrition Committees engaged
- **CSO Challenge Fund**: Guidelines approved; 10 finalists shortlisted from 35 proposals (requesting ~$480,000)
- **ProMIS:** Equipment procured, training conducted, operationalization in progress
- **Gender & Social Inclusion**: Action Plan adopted; awareness sessions integrated into trainings
- **Grievance Mechanism:** System approved (Nov 2024); focal points appointed; village materials in preparation
- **SECAP**: Environmental, Social and Climate Management Framework developed; district staff training completed

## Gender Participation:

- **Village Planning Meetings**: 55.2% female
- **FNS sessions**: 75.2% female
- **Village Nutrition Facilitators**: 75% female
- **VNC members**: 58% female

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