



# Background of Thailand's Economic and Social Development

## Timeline (milestones) of SEP



People Centred Development Paradigm  
Participation Approach  
Sufficiency Economy

1<sup>st</sup> NESDP

National Economic and Social Development Plan

Tom-Yam-Kung  
Economic Crisis

Integration of SEP  
into 8<sup>th</sup> NESDP

8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> NESDP

10<sup>th</sup> NESDP

11<sup>th</sup> NESDP

12<sup>th</sup> NESDP

1961

1961 - 1997

1997

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1997-2006

2007-2011

2012-2016

2017-2021

1974 – first royal speech  
Related to SEP

“...Development of the nation must be carried out in stages, starting with the laying of the foundation by ensuring the majority of the people have their basic necessities through the use of economical means and equipment in accordance with theoretical principles. Once a reasonably firm foundation has been laid and in effect, higher levels of economic growth and development should be promoted...”

royal speech stating the term  
“Sufficiency Economy  
Philosophy”

Recently, so many projects have been implemented, so many factories have been built, that it was thought Thailand would become a little tiger, and then a big tiger. People were crazy about becoming a tiger... Being a tiger is not important. The important thing for us is to have a sufficient economy. A sufficient economy means to have enough to support ourselves...

Knowledge of SEP  
Implications of SEP



Raise  
Public Awareness



Thailand Human  
Development  
Report 2007

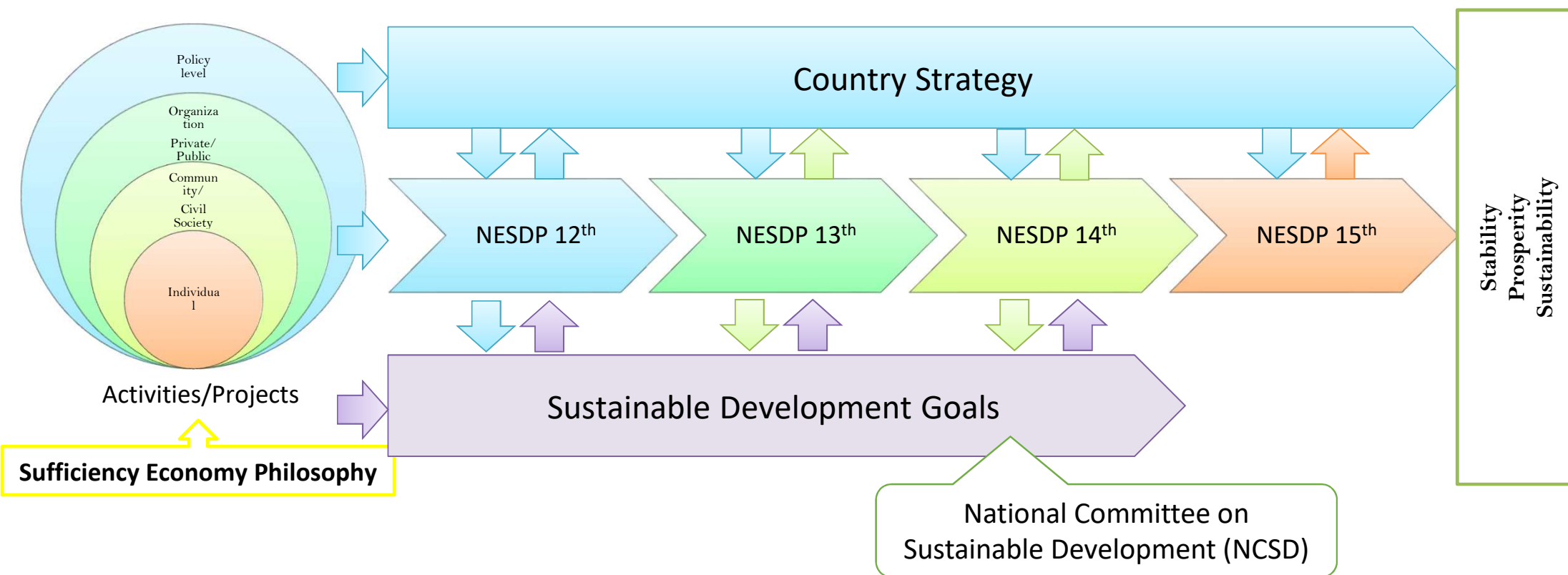
Applications of SEP

- Individual level
- Community level
- Local Government
- Private Business
- Development Issues e.g. agriculture
- Etc.

SEP for SDGs



# SDGs and Thailand

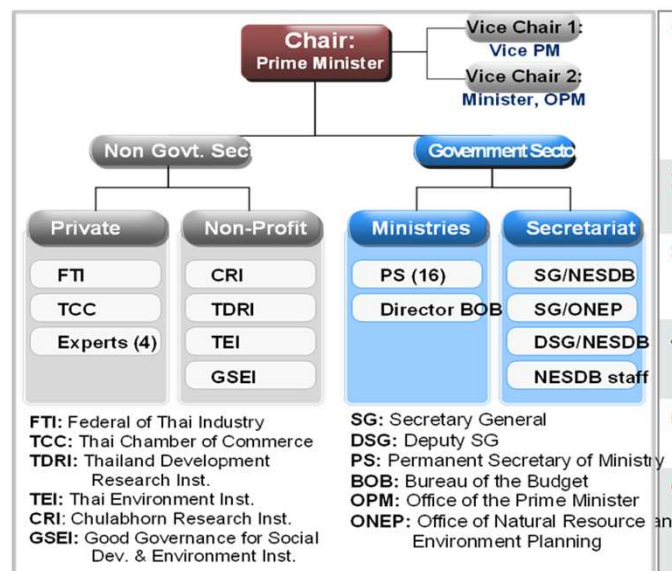


NESDP – National Economic and Social Development Plan (5-year plan)



# National Committee on Sustainable Development (NCSD)

## COMPONENTS



## MANDATES

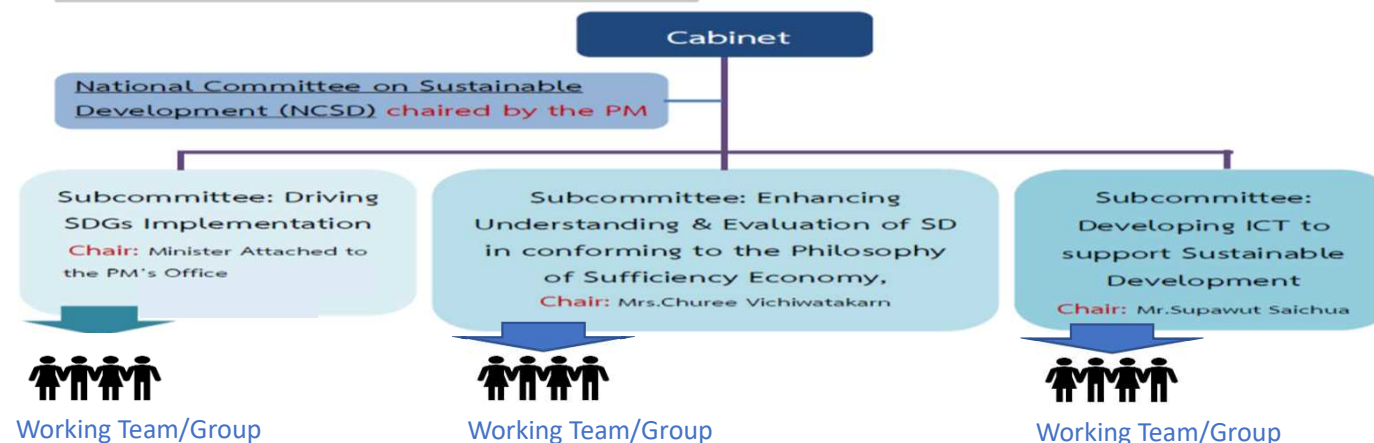
- Formulate policies and strategies on national sustainable development** by integrating and balancing the economic, social and environmental pillars, which comply with related international agreements. Then, submit these SD policies and strategies to the Cabinet for approval
- Promote and support the implementation of public and private sector** on SD
- Keep track on the government implementation of SD** strategies and other international agreements relating to SD
- Make recommendations the Cabinet** on the use and improvement of economic, social and legal measures to support SD
- Set the direction and position of Thailand on SD** in any international meetings on SD
- Monitor and evaluate both public and private sectors** on the implementation of SD strategies and other international agreements relating to SD

Sep. 2012 the Cabinet approved the set up of NCSD

Jul. 2013 Regulation of the Office of Prime Minister (OPM) on NCSD was announced in the Royal Thai Government Gazette










Mar. 2015 the Cabinet approved the amendment of the Regulation of the OPM on NCSD by changing the components and assigned NESDB as a secretariat of the committee






Jul. 2015 Regulation of the Office of Prime Minister (OPM) on NCSD No.2 was announced in the Royal Thai Government Gazette



# Ministries Responsible for SDGs

Sense of Ownership

<b>1</b> NO POVERTY 	<b>M of Interior</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOT MOF MOAC MONRE MOL MOC MOPH MOE MOTS TRF NSO
<b>2</b> ZERO HUNGER 	<b>M of Agriculture</b>	MONRE MOL MOC MSDHS MOPH MOE MOIN MOI NRCT TRF NSO
<b>3</b> GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING 	<b>M of Public Health</b>	MOAC MOT MONRE MOI MOE PD TRF NSO
<b>4</b> QUALITY EDUCATION 	<b>M of Education</b>	MOI MOL MSDHS MOFA MOCU TRF NSO
<b>5</b> GENDER EQUALITY 	<b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOFA MOPH MOI MOTS MOL MOE NESDB BOB OPDC TRF NSO
<b>6</b> CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION 	<b>M of Natural Resource &amp; Environment</b> <b>M of Agriculture, M of Interior</b>	MOPH MOIN MOSTI TRF NSO
<b>7</b> AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY 	<b>M of Interior</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOSTI MOFA MOAC MOT MOC NRCT TRF NSO
<b>8</b> DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	<b>NESDB, M of Finance</b> <b>M of Labor</b>	MOTS MOAC MONRE MOEN MSDHS MOSTI MOCU MOIN MOFA MOIT MOI BOT OIC SET SME NRCT TRF NSO
<b>9</b> INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 	<b>M of Transport</b> <b>M of Industry</b>	MOF MOFA MOIT MOI MOC MSDHS MOSTI SME BOI NESDB NBTC NRCT TRF NSO

<b>10</b> REDUCED INEQUALITIES 	<b>NESDB</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOFA MOF MOI MOJ MOL MOC NPO BOT TRF NSO
<b>11</b> SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES 	<b>M of Interior</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOTS MOFA MOT MONRE MSDHS MOCU NESDB TRF NSO
<b>12</b> RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION 	<b>M of Natural Resource &amp; Environment</b>	MOTS MOF MOAC MOIT MOC MSDHS MOIN NRCT TRF NSO
<b>13</b> CLIMATE ACTION 	<b>M of Natural Resource &amp; Environment</b>	MOAC MOE MOEN MOIN MOI MOSTI MOT NESDB NRCT TRF NSO
<b>14</b> LIFE BELOW WATER 	<b>M of Natural Resource &amp; Environment</b>	MOAC MOSTI NAVY NPO TRF NSO
<b>15</b> LIFE ON LAND 	<b>M of Natural Resource &amp; Environment</b>	MOAC MOI MOSTI ARMY NESDB NRCT TRF NSO
<b>16</b> PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS 	<b>M of Justice M of Interior</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOFA MOL AGO COJ AMLO NACC OPDC NPO TRF NSO
<b>17</b> PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	<b>M of Foreign Affair M of Finance</b> <b>M of Social Dev &amp; Human Security</b>	MOSTI MSDHS MOIT NESDB NRCT TRF NSO

# Thai Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) and SDGs

Input

Process

Output

Outcome

Impact

## Capital

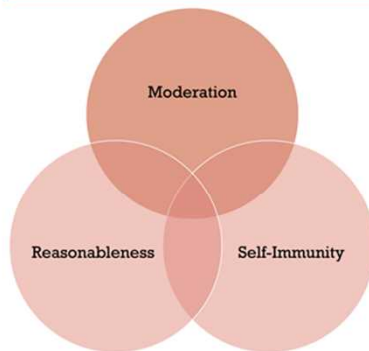
Human capital  
Physical capital  
Natural capital  
Social capital  
Financial capital

Knowledge

Integrity

- know what you're doing
- be honest and persevere

Internal & External Knowledge  
Innovation  
Information  
With consideration of impacts  
Etc.



SEP as  
Guiding principles

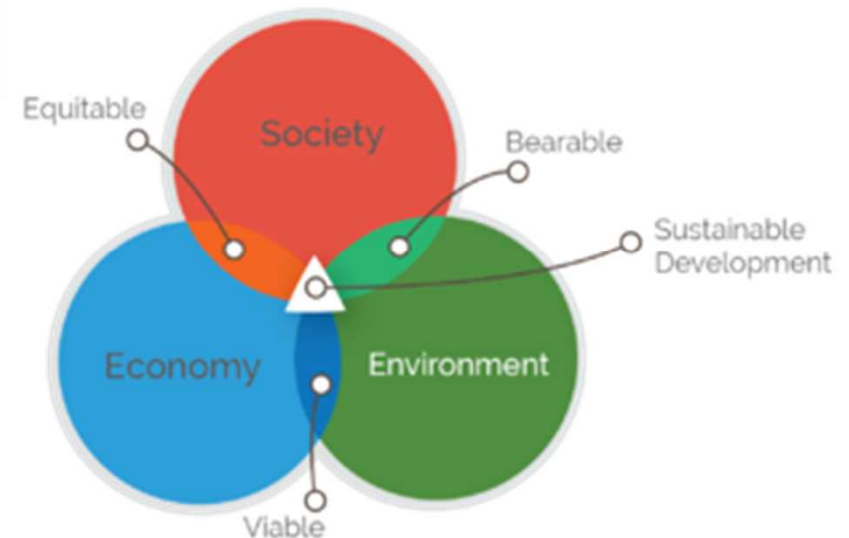
- take a middle path, avoiding extremes
- be sensible and insightful in taking decisions
- build protection against shocks

- Livelihood
- Quality of Life
- Business / assets
- Innovations of activities
- Natural resources conservation/preservation
- Etc.

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

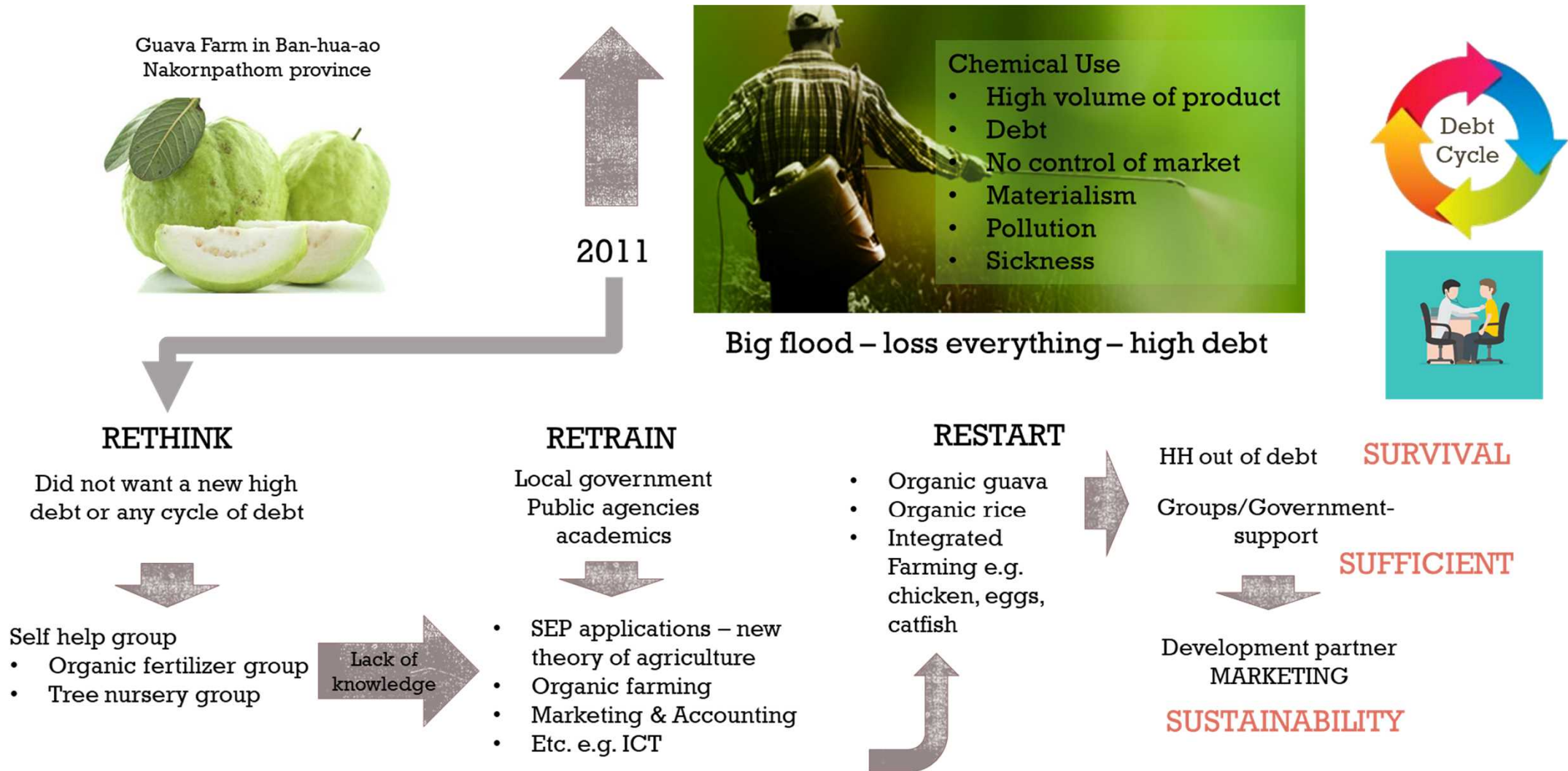


HAPPINESS  
SUSTAINABILITY





# What is SEP



# Examples of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) practices in Action for SDGs



HH Accounting  
Community Saving  
“Know yourself”



Village Health Volunteer  
Prevention before sickness



WOW Prachin  
strengthen food and financial security  
of their own communities



School Food Bank  
“Free good Lunch”



Phradabos School  
Lifelong learning for  
underprivileged students



low-cost and simple aerator  
Appropriate technology by  
local wisdom





# Examples of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) practices in Action for SDGs



**NO.5 LABELLING PROGRAMME**  
cost-effectiveness, appropriate technology and care for the environment



**THAILAND INDUSTRIAL STANDARD 9999**  
Encourage private sector to use SEP principles to foster good governance and sustainability



**Bangbua Canal Community Development**  
grassroots cooperation, inclusive decision making and perseverance



**One Tambon One Product –**  
Local wisdom for Livelihood development based on joint decisions, locality-specific expertise, cost-effectiveness and careful risk analyses.



**Community Saving Groups**  
savings and credit groups for low-interest loans and welfare benefits.



**SAMPRAN Model**  
fair-trade markets to ensure income stability



# Examples of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) practices in Action for SDGs



**Arsom Silp Institute of the Arts**  
Self-Directed Learning, Work-Based Learning, Work-Based Learning



**Reforestation Projects-Doi Tung Model**  
Three Forests, Four Benefits:  
preservation, community, and economically forest – forest, community use, livelihood, and biodiversity,



**SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVE LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT**  
The Mae Fah Luang Foundation  
international outreach programmes to help  
partner countries tackle drug problems  
through crop substitution and alternative  
sources of livelihoods.



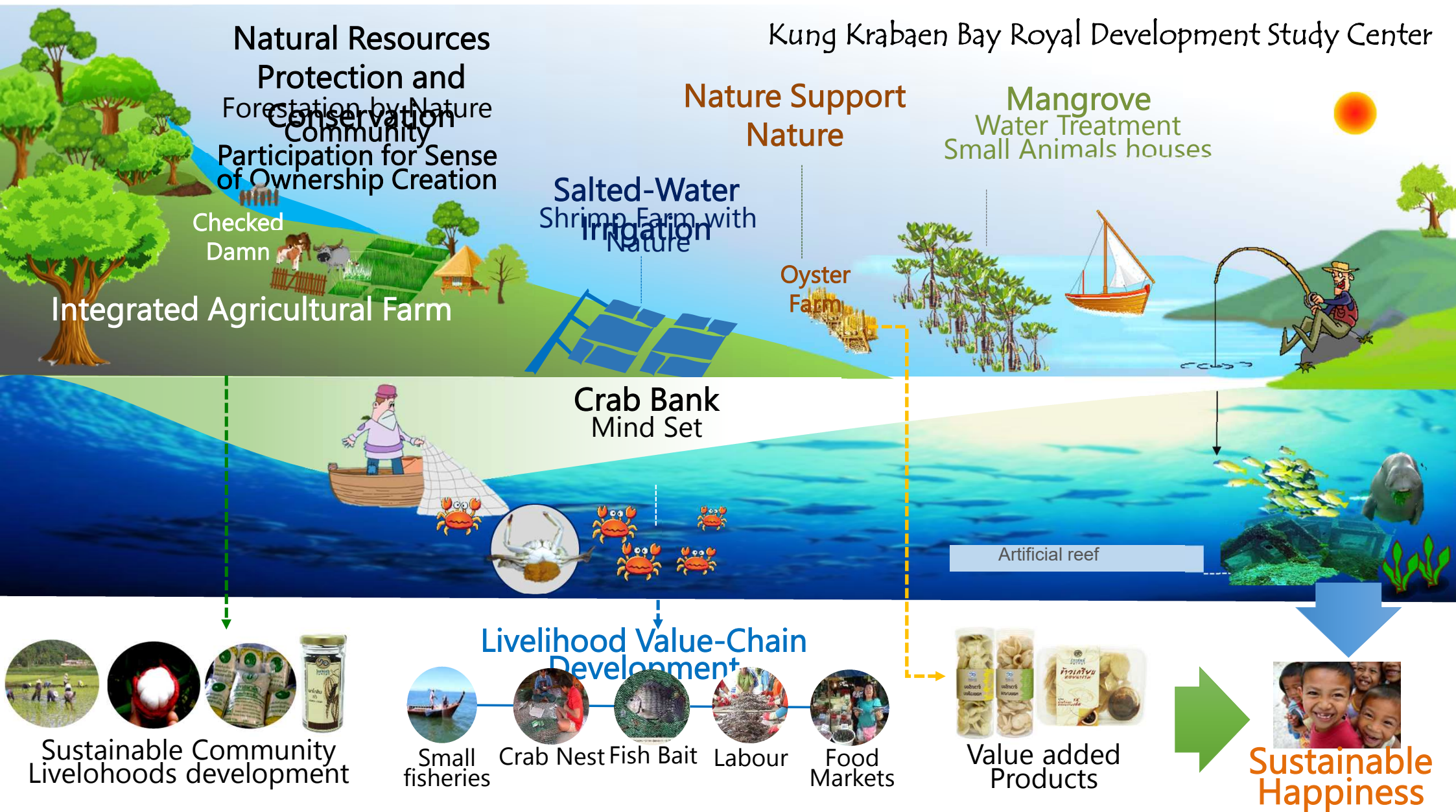
**MANGROVE FORESTS STUDY CENTERS**  
and locals' mangrove rehabilitation



**COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER**  
Communities' crime prevention and surveillance  
programmes, settle conflicts in the communities  
and establish rehabilitation schemes









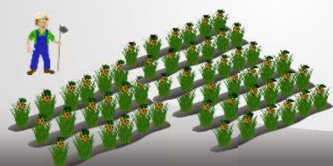
## Example : Huai Sai Royal Development Study Center

### Background

Deforestation



Monoculture without knowledge support



40 yrs later

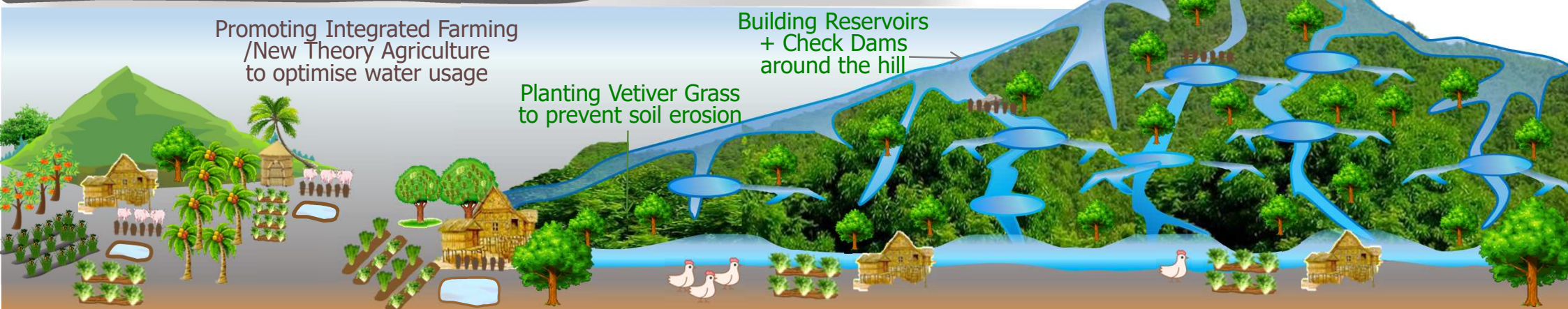
Soil Degradation/  
Forest absence



Development  
Process

Restore forest using  
"Forest Hill System"  
or "Wet Forest"

Water tank  
on the hill



Promoting Integrated Farming  
/New Theory Agriculture  
to optimise water usage

Building Reservoirs  
+ Check Dams  
around the hill

Planting Vetiver Grass  
to prevent soil erosion



People's  
sustainable  
happiness





# Linking Huai Sai Royal Development Study Center to SDGs Achievement

No Poverty



Zero Hunger



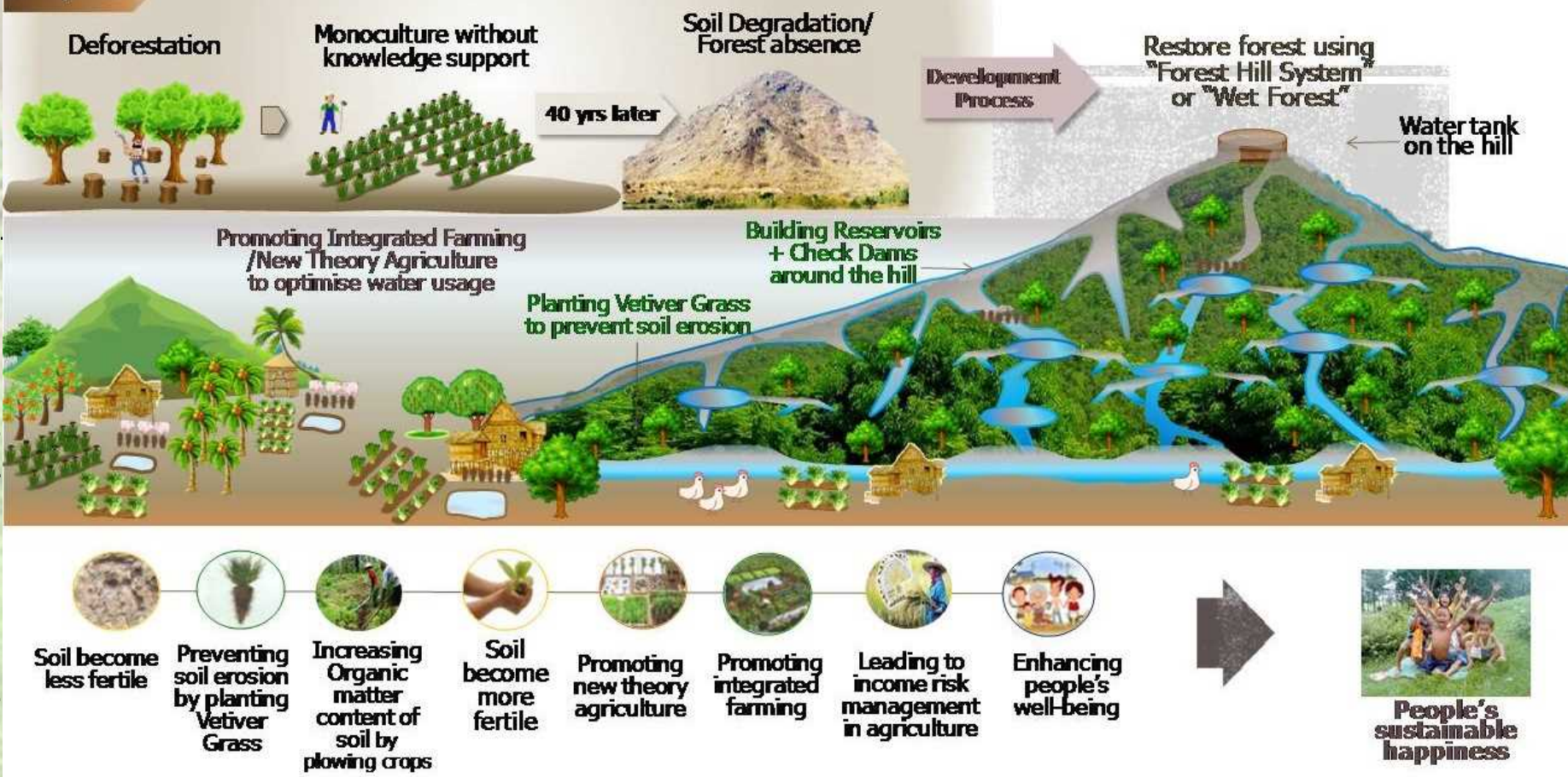
Decent Work



Responsible Consumption



## Background



Live on Land



Clean Water



Affordable & Clean Energy



Reduced Inequality



# Current Status of SDGs Indicators

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# ROLES of Other Stakeholders

