Sanchez Mira Campus RDE Banner Programs and Projects 2018-2022

The Cagayan State University at Sanchez Mira is mandated to promote research and extension services along its banner program on **organic agriculture** needed in the social, cultural, health, environmental, educational, and economic development of Northwestern Cagayan.

Through cross-college collaboration, external linkages and multidisciplinary approach, CSU at Sanchez Mira came up with a research agenda that are aligned with the current thrusts of the Philippine agenda, the regional agenda, its partner agencies, and as mandated by its charter with the following goals and objectives to work on for the next five years.

Goal:

To advance organic agriculture through research, innovation, development, and technology transfer while addressing food safety and security, climate change and degrading natural resources in Northwestern Cagayan.

Objectives:

To achieve the above goal, the CSU-SM RDE shall pursue the following objectives:

- 1. To disseminate, apply, and implement innovations and scientific knowledge consistent with the principles of organic agriculture;
- 2. To produce new and organically grown products, and processing technologies for waste utilization in the production of marketable products;
- 3. To design, develop and fabricate appropriate facilities, machineries, equipment, and tools for production, harvesting, processing and packaging of organic products;
- 4. To develop knowledge and technology information system and intensify technology transfer and commercialization in the University
- 5. To provide continuing education programs for farmers, students, specialists and extension workers on organic Agriculture through coordination with line agencies

Challenges

The pressing challenges in the implementation of the banner program include the following:

- Instilling a research culture and research vocation among faculty and students;
 and
- Improving the research capability of faculty, research staff and students;
- 3. Increasing research productivity and raising research quality and impact

4. Providing institutional support for the research program

Plan Strategy

These are some ways in which sustainable organic agriculture could be enhanced:

- 1. By ensuring immediate benefits: While environmental soundness and resilience are paramount, farmers must experience an immediate benefit if they are going to change their practice. Only then can it be sustainable in the long term. Getting benefits from sustainable organic agriculture is not always quick though, as it takes time for new approaches to be adapted to different agroecological and socio-economic conditions and to show their impacts: rebuilding organic matter dramatically improves soil fertility and moisture, but it can take two or more years for this to happen. Improved variety of organic products that perform even better if grown using conservation practices could provide an incentive for farmers to adopt conservation agriculture. Improved access to market can also trigger farmers' motivation to invest in organic agriculture.
- 2. By providing intermediate, appropriate technology: To be attractive, sustainable practices need to be technically as well as economically efficient. Intermediate technological solutions such as light machinery and affordable tools can encourage small-scale farmers to test them. New tools and practices can be better tested to the local conditions through participatory research.
- 3. By carrying out research and technical assistance: Farmers know a lot, but they may not know about alternative options if these have not been introduced to them. Research and technical extension staff need additional resources to reach more farmers, and they need more training on 'non-conventional' farming methods and on innovative ways to share their knowledge.
- 4. **By Increasing coordination and planning:** Opportunities for open and honest conversation on sustainable organic agriculture should be provided to stakeholders. Although many of these actors already work on sustainable practices, their impact could be amplified by fostering synergies, making interventions more consistent and avoiding duplication of efforts.
- 5. By increasing policy support and leadership: Addressing technical and financial constraints is important, but policy coherence is essential for scaling-up. One way to reinforce policy advocacy for sustainable agriculture is by producing and consolidating evidence of its benefits, in contrast with the negative impacts of high-input intensive monocultures. A better shared understanding of these issues would provide common ground for local leader to pursue the changes that are needed in agricultural policy and practice.

Priorities	Program/Proje			Timeframe			Expected Output						
/Res. Area	ct/Study	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Sustaina ble Organic Agricultu re	conservation n of indigenous vegetable crops, tropical fruit trees, ornamental s and forages and stingless bees	 collect different organic/indi genous vegetable varieties establish initial organic crop gene bank varietal trial of different varieties of organic crops and analysis of soil samples once a year 	Establis h organic crop gene bank Experiment on organic crops, orname ntals and forages and analyze soil sample once a year	Establis h experim ent on organic crops, orname ntals and forages and analyze soil sample once a year	Establish experiment on organic crops, ornamental s and forages and analyze soil sample once a year	Publish 4 papers on organic productio n	 enhanced collection of different organic/indi genous vegetable varieties started the establishm ent of organic crop gene bank 	establish ed organic crop gene bank Establish ed experim ent on organic crops, ornamen tals and forages and analyzed soil sample once a year	Establis hed experim ent on organic crops, orname ntals and forages and analyze d soil sample once a year	Established experiment on organic crops, ornamental s and forages and analyzed soil sample once a year	• Publish ed 4 papers on organic producti on		
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Develop and improve intercropping models and farming systems	 Record growth and yield data of different organic crops intercroppe d with tropical fruits with stingless bees Apply treatments and record growth and yield data of different organic crops and analyze soil samples 	 Record growth and yield data of differen t organic crops intercro pped with tropical fruits with stingles s bees 		 Record growth and yield data of different organic crops intercropp ed with tropical fruits with stingless bees Apply treatments and record growth and yield data of different organic crops and analyze soil samples 	Publish 4 papers on organic productio n	Different organic vegetables intercroppe d with tropical fruit trees with stingless bees		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		

•	water manageme nt	 Irrigation requireme nts for organic crops Formulate new organic fertilizer mixer 	ete 14 pick recordi ngs • Collect and analyz e soil sample s and leaf sample s	and analyze soil sample s • Conduc t experim ental trials • Produc e publicat ions	Make irrigation and fertilizer recommen dations for organic crop production	ent of organic crops • Quantify nutrient losses from fertilizer	 Irrigation recommend ation for organic crops Recommen dations of locally available fertilizer materials 	d and analyze d soil samples and leaf samples Treatme nt	 Conducted experimental trials Produced publications 	Made irrigation and fertilizer recommen dations for organic crop production	 Publish ed 5 researc h article on soil and water manage ment of organic crops Quantified nutrient losses
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Environ ment and Climate Change	Adaption and Mitigation to Climate Change Effects to Reduce Vulnerability of Organic Crops and Animals to Climate Change	 Vulnerabilit y indices of the crop growing areas in Cagayan Potential use of organic intercroppi ng for climate change mitigation Waste manageme nt and utilization 	Continuation of vulnera bility assess ment	 Prepare indices for North-western Cagaya n Collect monthly field data Prepare data base 	 Prepare indices for e Cagayan Prepare data base 	Started vulnerability assessme nt of cropareas of the province of Cagayan	Continued assessment on climate change vulnerability of Cagayan	 Prepare d indices for North-western Cagaya n Collecte d monthly field data Prepare d data base 	 Prepar ed indices for Cagaya n Prepar ed data base 	Published article	 Vulnera bility indices of the Crop growin g areas in Cagaya n Assess ed drought risk organic crops Identifie d degree
	Disaster preparedne ss and risk reduction manageme nt among organic farmers	 Assess disaster preparedn ess and manageme nt among organic farmers 	Conduct climate change impact assess ment on organic farming	 Conduct climate change impact assess ment on organic farming 							of drought toleranc e of organic crop varietie s

Micro, Small, Medium Enterpris es (MSMEs, informal sectors)	 Developme nt of profitable production technology packages on organic products Establishm ent of village level enterprises for organic products 	ent of production technology packages	Value adding on commorganic product s standards of standards for various organic product s and process es	of value added organic products r	Prepare cook book for organic products	 Developed production technology packages on organic products 	Produce d value- added organic products	• Establis hed commo n quality standar ds for various organic product s and process es	value- added organic products	 Prepare d cook book for organic product s Publish ed researc h product s
Capacity Develop ment (institutio n, faculty, Students and farmers)	 Establishm ent of organic farm school Developme nt and validation of instructiona I materials on organic agriculture 	provide hands-on experience to faculty, students, farmers and to small and medium scale entreprene urs to develop	Provide training on organic product product ion and value addition to farmers and house wives Provide training on on organic product product on and value addition to farmer and house ives	training on organic product production and value addition to farmers and housewive s	At least 5 technolog y adapters	 Establish ed an organic farm school Develope d and validated of instruction al materials on organic agricultur e 	• Trained and provide hands-on experien ce to faculty, students, farmers and to small and medium scale entrepre neurs to develop	 Provide d training on organic product product ion and value addition to farmers and housew ives 	 Provided training on organic product production and value addition to farmers and housewive s 	At least 5 technol ogy adopter s

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and productio n	computerized networking system for farmers and entrepreneurs of organic products	workstatio n facilities connected on a local area network (LAN)	environ ment for storage and retrieva I of both structur ed and semi-	of a system for collecti on, organiz ation, storage and retrieval of	shop for organic products.	interperso nal communi cations allowing farmers and entrepren eurs communi cate	for collection, organization, storage and retrieval of information	line shop for organic products	strong systems and guidelin es to list product s on organic shop	nal communic ations allowing farmers and entreprene urs communic ate efficiently and easily	ogies develop ed

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evaluation and utilization, and automation of farm equipment,	development and fabrication of appropriate facilities, machineries, equipment, tools and technologies for the production, harvesting, processing, packaging and management of organic crops and farm animals. Testing, evaluation and utilization, and automation of farm	develop and fabricate small scale machinerie s for organic production	 Design, develo p and fabricat e small scale machin eries for organic product ion 	 Design, develop and fabricat e small scale machin eries for organic producti on 	develop and fabricate small scale machinerie s for organic production	Design, develop and fabricate small scale machineri es for organic productio	processing technologie	low-cost machine ries (from producti on to post harvest) for processi ng organic products designe d and fabricate	new machines equipment s and	Develo ped new product s and technol ogies Develo ped new generati on of agricult ural system models

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