Agroforestry and the FMNR Nexus in Southeast Asia
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Presentation Outline

• Smallholder agroforestry systems
• Links between agroforestry and FMNR
• ↑ importance of agroforestry and FMNR
• Technical support
• Food production
Introduction

• Human pop. 7 billion in 2011, doubled since 1968, projection 9 billion humans by 2045
• Human pop. ↑ corresponding ↑ wealth, ↑ pressure to covert forests to agric, industrial, & residential uses
• ...↑ demand for food, fuel, wood, tree prod & services

UN Millennium Develop Goals ... economic growth for the eradication of extreme poverty and hungry, while ensuring environmental sustainability (UN 2012)

Sustainability is not keeping things the same ... but rather constant development of new ideas and options (van Noordwijk et al. 2008).
Agroforestry - Smallholder Tree Farming Systems

• ... combines woody perennials, agricultural crops, livestock .... spatial or temporal arrangement ...
• ... provides valuable ESs soil protect./improv., watershed protect., C seques./store, biodiversity protect./conser. (numerous authors)
• ... rural importance ... neutral-to-positive environmental impacts (Leakey 2010)
Smallholder Agroforestry – A Common Landuse!!

• 1.2 billion people practices some form of agroforestry ... 560 million live in agroforestry landscapes (Zomer et al. 2010)

• farmers ... dominant land managers in the developing world ... produce food, tree products & ESs ... on smallholdings (Tscharntke et al. 2012, Jackson et al. 2010)
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- Not solely planted...

**Wildlings and managed natural regeneration !!!!**
Agroforestry is NRM and FMNR!

**Agroforestry** a dynamic, ecologically based, *natural resources management system* that, through the integration of trees on farms and in the agricultural landscape, diversifies and sustains production for increased *social, economic and environmental benefits* for land users at all levels (Mead 2004).

**Good mechanism for sustainable natural resource management and farmer livelihoods**

*Planted & Natural Reg Trees/Forests*
<table>
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<th>Sub region¹</th>
<th>Area (1000 ha)</th>
<th>Annual change (1000 ha)</th>
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¹East Asia: *China*, North Korea, Japan, Mongolia, South Korea
South Asia: Bangladesh, Bhutan, *India*, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka
Southeast Asia: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, *Thailand*, Timor-Leste, *Vietnam*
## Population growth and Gross National Income/capita

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<tr>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Population (million)</th>
<th>% Annual Pop ↑ (2000-05)</th>
<th>GNI/capita (US$)</th>
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<td>Bangladesh</td>
<td>180.7</td>
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<td>Cambodia</td>
<td>8.6</td>
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<td>835.0</td>
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<td>Indonesia</td>
<td>179.4</td>
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<td>Malaysia</td>
<td>18.1</td>
<td>26.1</td>
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<td>66.0</td>
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<td>ASIA</td>
<td>1,415.4</td>
<td>1,848.7</td>
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* South and Southeast Asia 23% of world population. Population & income ↑. Asian middle class (ex. Japan) will exceed the US-Europe combined.*

As human pop ↑, demand tree prod & services ↑, forests↓ ..... importance of and need for smallholder agroforestry systems ↑ ..... FMNR is a cost effective establishment
‘Agroforestation’ ... establishment of agroforestry systems ... implies land rehabilitation & production

Why do farmers plant trees?
- Household needs
- Market demand
- Tradition
- Commitment to conservation

Self-interest to succeed
- Farmers know their land
- Positive species selection
- Plant the number of trees they can manage.

Diagram: Meine van Noordwijk
Technical support for success

Successful tree-based agroforestry systems (FMNR) ....

- Secure tenure (land & tree)
- Supportive policy environment
- Access/aware – quality germplasm and FMNR options/methods
- Tree management skills
- Market information & links

Tenure & policy – basic enabling conditions,
Broad partnership central-local, gov-civil society

Training, workshops, nurseries, demplots, etc
Provide by government, NGOs, communities, individuals, etc
Farmer Demonstration Trails (FDT)

FDTs are evaluation trials designed by researchers with farmers for establishment and management under farmers’ biophysical, socioeconomic, and land conditions. Project FDTs intended to:

- demonstrating the advantages of tree planting and management (silviculture);
- inspiring innovation by participating farmers; and
- creating field venues for cross-visits and farmer workshop.
Smallholder Teak Systems
• 82% farmers intercrop teak
• 42% of teak systems intercrop/year
• food & other products for household
• 40% household income from teak systems
  - 25% from agricultural products
  - 12% from teak timber
  - 3% other tree products

Traditional *tumpangsari* (intercropping)
• not tuangya!!
• tumpangsari not limited to establishment
• flexibility cultivation respond to market
• tegalan and pekarangan more frequently
• *cassava, peanuts, rice, soybeans, corn, kidney beans, bananas, other vegetables*
Understory Vegetable Production

- 3 light levels *(garden types)*: heavy shade, 75,000 – 135,000 lux; medium shade, 95,000 – 245,000 lux; & full sunlight, 127,000 – 603,000 lux.
- Veg production under medium light compared well with full sunlight. 98-278% on per plant basis & 67-187% on per area basis
- Heavy shade prod ↓ both basis
- Labor correlates to effective area
- Prod. costs/kg lowest in medium shade (*all sp*), heavy shade ok also
- 25 site parameters tested, regress-ion indicated not sig. /consistent
- Plant survival / insect damage yes!
- **Light level most important !!**

**Vegs not selected for shade!!!**

Katuk, kangkong, amaranth, chili, eggplant, longbean, and tomato
Gmelina, intercropping, pruning

Diagram Manolo Bertomeu

T1 (control): pruning to 30-40% of total height (LCR 60-70%);
T2: pruning to 50-60% of total bole height (LCR 40-50%);
T3: pruning to 60-70% of total bole height (LCR 30-40%);
T4: pruning to 70-80% of total bole height (LCR 20-30%)
Break-Even Yields

Break-even corn yields for this level of input/management:
3 t/ha for the wet season crop &
2 ton/ha for the dry season crop (Bertomeu, 2006).

Break-even intercropping period:
For T4 (intensive pruning) 2 yrs!
Just 1 yr > T1 (light pruning)!

Financial Analysis (15% discount rate)

• Moderate pruning (T1 & T2) more profitable that intensive (T3 & T4)
• However, in all scenarios T4 showed highest return to labor
• Indicating ↑ maize yields compensate for ↓ timber yields
• Return to labor T1 equals T4 only if dbh increment was 6 cm ↑
• Results did not support
Environmental Impacts & Food Security

Rehabilitation of Central Java & Yogyakarta

- 1950’s severe poverty, food deficit & land degradation
- treeless, soil erosion, agriculture failed
- drought induced famines
- ‘Agroforestation’ including FMNR
  - rehab soils, landscapes, incomes,
  - food security again (produce & purchase)
  - major source of timber for industry
  - from treeless to 28.1% tree cover
  - 68% smallholder farms; teak 56% of trees

Similar cases

- Laos (Midgley et al 2007)
- Nigeria (Osemeobo 1989)
## Agroforestry systems - appropriate for C storage?

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<th>C Mg/ha</th>
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<td>Multiple products - household and market sale</td>
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<td>Tree Gardens</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Forest 350 (60 yrs) HGS1 280 (60 yrs) HGS2 240 (60 yrs) Rubber 200 (30 yrs) Coffee 160 (25yrs)</td>
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<td>Plantations</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>Timber 300 (40 yrs) Rubber 180 (25 yrs) Oil Palm 180 (20 yrs) Coffee 100 (25yrs)</td>
<td>Fewer products - primarily for market sale</td>
<td>High C &amp; Livelihood Potential</td>
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<td>Scattered Trees</td>
<td>Low to Medium</td>
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<td>Livestock Sys.</td>
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<td>Livestock products household and market sale</td>
<td>Low C Potential - source of methane, nitrous oxide</td>
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<td>Com. Forests</td>
<td>High</td>
<td>350 (60 yrs)</td>
<td>Lower-intensity - household and markets</td>
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**Key Sources:** Tomich et al. 1998; Roshetko et al. 2002; van Noordwijk et al. 2002

*Improved Fallows/Intercropping and Assisted Natural Regeneration

*Soil C
Question?

What is the roles of tree nurseries in FMNR?

• Option for enrichment of FMNR
• Access the priority species that farmers
• Access to quality germplasm (vegetative propagation)
Thank you!!