

# Lao Research Plans





#### **Topics**

#### Activities

Variety evaluation



- Harvesting all trials (4 sites)
  - Organize farmers field day and invite farmers (representative), DAFO, traders, factories to evaluate the varieties and start new trials
  - Evaluate of 39 accessions.

#### **Topics**

### Fertility management



### Activities

- Evaluation fertilizer trials
- Demonstration selected fertilizer rate with interested farmers (multiply trial)/Field visiting
- Demonstrate potassium and dolomite (Ca & Mg) amendment.
- Linking with fertilizer supply company

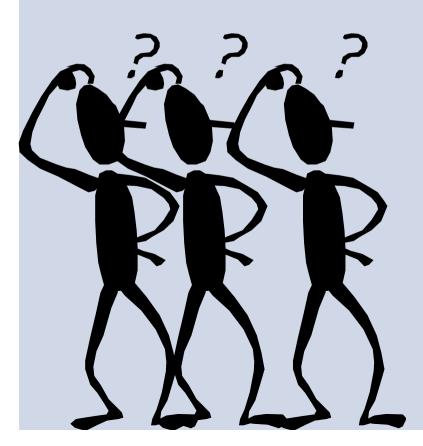
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<section-header></section-header>	<ul> <li>Re-set up intercropping trial, but add more promising crops (Lao melon?)</li> </ul>

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Pest and Disease management (Cassava Witches Broom, Cassava bacterial Blight and Red Mite)	<ul> <li>Monitoring Cassava Witches Broom and Cassava bacterial blight</li> <li>Training on pest and disease</li> </ul>
	identification and preparation of planting materials during harvest field days
	<ul> <li>Seed propagation: Involve private sector and key farmers to propagate cleaning planting material</li> </ul>

- Distribute handbook and

#### Topics

Policy engagement



### Activities

- Policy Brief on cassava marketing situation
- Short case study paper on fail/successful business model of cassava processing factories (exploring financial scenarios of price, loan interest, ...) - Policy Brief on economic comparisons of intercropping vs non-intercropping with cassava - Market/Price bulletin (monthly, ...)