

**Project Update: April 2007**

Staff of the Institute of Oceanography had a meeting with the leaders of the Cam Hai Dong' village for discussing about the Project. They realized that the Project will help local communities (that the villagers of Cam Hai Dong must be partners as they are the stakeholders and the beneficiaries of the project) maintain their present livelihood without the loss of many valuable species in later years. Seagrass restoration will increase biodiversity values and villagers can be expected to take part in restoration activities bringing the community together for planting operations. The project will bring knowledge to the people of the village and build its capacity to conserve natural resources.

Staff together with the leaders of the village carried out a field work at the seagrass beds at the Cam Hai Dong' village, defined the areas where seagrasses will be replanted and conserved.



Left: Local communities attended in the Training Course of Rehabilitation and Conservation the seagrass beds. Right: Local communities were taught the methods of Planting the Seagrasses.



The Brochure of methods of Planting the Seagrasses.