

Project Update: September 2015

After the one-week Rainforestation workshop in San Vicente, a follow-up meeting was held to constitute a community organisation in May 2015. The participants from four villages of Barangay San Vicente elected resource persons to coordinate the Barangay rainforestation activities, namely Rodel S. Sescar (Chairman), Doming U. Antaw (Vice-Chair), Marilyn Y. Aragon (Secretary), Bayani B. Layhip (Treasurer). Furthermore, they decided to form four village-based subgroups (Tauga-dit, Tagaskan, Quirao, San Vicente proper), which established their own small nurseries at their respective villages in June/July 2015. These subgroups were equipped with basic materials.

The fruiting season of white lauan mother trees in August 2015 was used to extend the seedling stock in all nurseries. 5000 planting bags were additionally provided for this purpose.

Two resource persons (Rodel S. Sescar, Clister V. Pangantihon) were selected and sent to attend a 1-week course for Rainforstation Trainers held in May 2015 at the Visayas State University (VSU). They received in-depth training from experienced experts. Their transportation expenses to the VSU were shouldered by the RSG.



Left: Workshop participants in front of the newly established San Vicente Rainfo Nursery. Middle: A batch of seedlings is prepared at the new village nursery of Quirao. Right: A fresh collection of white lauan seeds and wildlings for the San Vicente nursery.