

Project Update: April 2003

From 1st to 5th March 2003, a TOT course, with the support of RSG, was organized in Van Hung Commune, Vanninh District, Vietnam. Trainees were 9 local officials from the community.

The training covered the following areas:

- Communication skills
- Knowledge on Marine biodiversity
- Coral reef biology and the importance of coral reefs
- Issues related to coral reef ecosystem in law of Fisheries
- Resources and environment protection

As part of the training course, the trainees also attended a study tour to Hon Mun MPA for learning experiences. Some others from the community were also invited to join the study tour (totalling 31 persons)

After the course, the trainees were divided into 4 groups to involve in talks/dialogues with other groups in the commune (women, the older and the youth...). From April to August, the trainees are expected to convey the relevant information they have gained to 500 others in their community.