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CASE STORY OF MR. SE SEANG

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MR. SE SEANG, I TURN VEGETABLE WASTE WITHIN MY FARM INTO MY PIGS' FEED AND THEN TURN PIGS' WASTE INTO COMPOST BACK FOR MY VEGETABLE FARM.

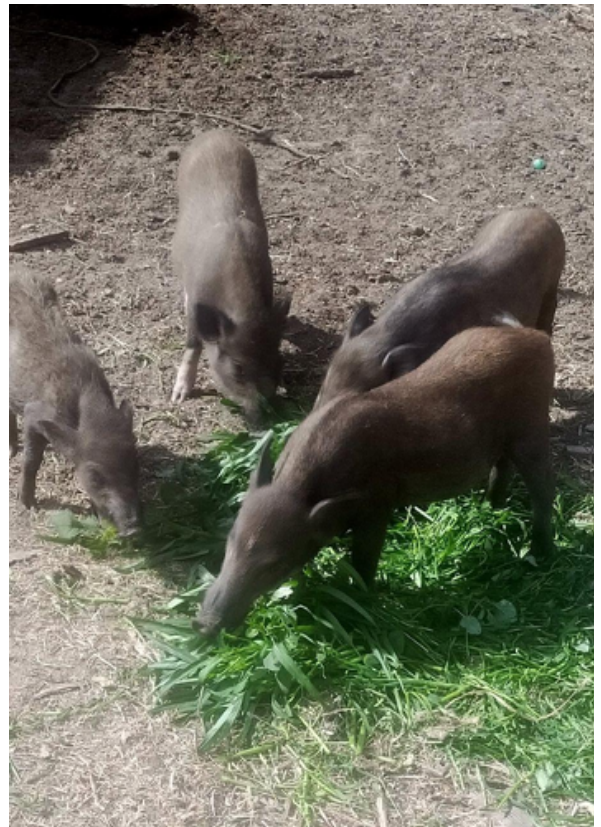
Mr. Se Seang, 36 years old, lives with his wife, Ms. Nang Nea, 33 years old, with 3 children (2 boys, and 1 girl) in Chamroeun village, Srae Sangkum commune, Koh Nheak District, Mondulkiri province. As an active farmer, he earns a daily income by growing vegetables for the local market to support his family's daily consumption. With the support of the SCP Project, Mr. Seang has participated in various activities such as technical meetings, training sessions, CamGAP training, SCP principles training, and workshops aimed at enhancing his skills and knowledge in sustaining vegetable farming for reducing GHG emissions.





Through his regular involvement in these activities, Mr. Seang realized that his current practices regarding the consumption of his produce were inefficient and negatively affected the environment due to poor waste management. He expressed, “There is a lot of vegetable waste, and I don’t know how to manage it properly, which leads to spoiling around the farm.” The SCP Project provided him with several waste management options, including using food waste as animal feed, converting waste into new products, donating to those in need, and exchanging surplus with others for different goods—practices he had not previously adopted.

Motivated by this new understanding, Mr. Se Seang committed himself to becoming a proactive farmer and a key advocate for waste management on his farm. He chose to prioritize domestic pig raising as his first initiative with support from the SCP Project, as local pigs adapt well and it is easy to find local feed for them.



On 26th November 2024, he received four local piglets (1 male and 3 females) after fulfilling the requirements for local pig raising based on the selected criteria of the project. Two months into the pig-raising practices, he noted, “My farm and household waste are no longer food waste because I have turned it into pig feed. This change has brought me many benefits: there’s no more waste on my farm, I spend less money on pig feed, the pigs are healthy, and I expect to see profits soon.” He added, “This decision has helped me use my resources more effectively and efficiently. I am grateful to the project for this opportunity.” He also converts waste from the pig raising to make compost for his vegetable farm.

Mr. Se Seang's story is inspiring as he exemplifies one of the target beneficiaries of the SCP Project. He shared that his pigs now weigh between 12-13 kg^[1] after two months of raising. He consistently follows hygiene guidelines and shares his experiences, challenges, and solutions with other farmers and project trainers (Lok Krous) to seek ongoing support when needed. He mentioned, "So far, I haven't faced any major challenges—just a few at the beginning." He expressed gratitude to Lok Krou and the SCP Project for providing him with this opportunity and pledged to pass on his piglets to new farmers in his community if he succeeds.

The SCP Project has recognized Mr. Se Seang as a highly committed farmer who diligently applies the techniques of CamGAP (Good Agricultural Practices) and sustainable production methods. He serves as a valuable model for others in his community.



In summary, the Sustainable Consumption Production Project has distributed four domestic piglets to Mr. Se Seang, who plays a crucial role in his rural community as a vegetable farmer. Since receiving the piglets, he has been utilizing vegetable waste that would have otherwise been discarded as feed. After two months of raising the pigs, their health has improved significantly, with their weight now around 12-13kg. He has also managed to save money by sourcing pig feed from the market while adhering to hygiene practices. His innovative approach to using waste products as feed has led to a sustainable and profitable pig-raising operation.

[1] The adult pig weighs around 20kg

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