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COMMUNITY-LED INNOVATION AND LOCALLY TAILORED ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

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UNDP'S SUPPORT IN THAILAND



Based on Thailand's national priorities and upper-middle-income status, UNDP supports its transition to an **inclusive, green economy**.

Beyond Bangkok, from 2022 to 2024, we work in over 30 provinces, provinces to advance **climate and nature action**, channel and scale **SDG investment**, promote **responsible business**, while ensuring **no one is left behind**.

Through our **co-creation** platform, those closest to problems co-design solutions, ensuring policies meet people's diverse needs.

SDG LOCALIZATION



To accelerate progress and achieve the SDGs, localizing the goals by aligning local development plans and mobilizing local actors is key. Efforts to strengthen SDG Localization are guided by Ministry of Interior, NESDC, with support from European Union.

- ❖ **Bridging Data Gap and Support:**
Development of participatory SDG Provincial Profiles.
- ❖ **Turning Data into Action:** \$200K grants for SDG-aligned local projects.
- ❖ **Deepening Impact and Scaling Up:**
Channeling and scaling SDG investment.

SDG-L 1.0

SDG Data Development for Thailand



Develop **SDG Profiles** in 15 pilot provinces as baseline data for tracking provincial SDG implementation at the indicator level.



Provide **grants** to 15 **civil society organizations** to implement projects that address local development needs.



Raise awareness and create platforms for SDG dialogue that engage government, private sector, and civil society.

SDG-L 1.5

Translating data into local action



Develop the **SDG Profile Guideline** to enable other provinces to independently monitor their SDG progress.



Support the development of **financial mechanism reports** for Surat Thani and Udon Thani as guidance for SDG-responsive budgeting.



Support the development of draft project plans to address climate change for Koh Samui Municipality and Udon Thani City Municipality, as well as an operational manual for **waste bank implementation**.

SDG-L 2.0

Scaling up data and practices



Building on the data from SDG-L 1.0, support will be provided to provinces to develop projects that **address development gaps** and formulate **investment strategies**.



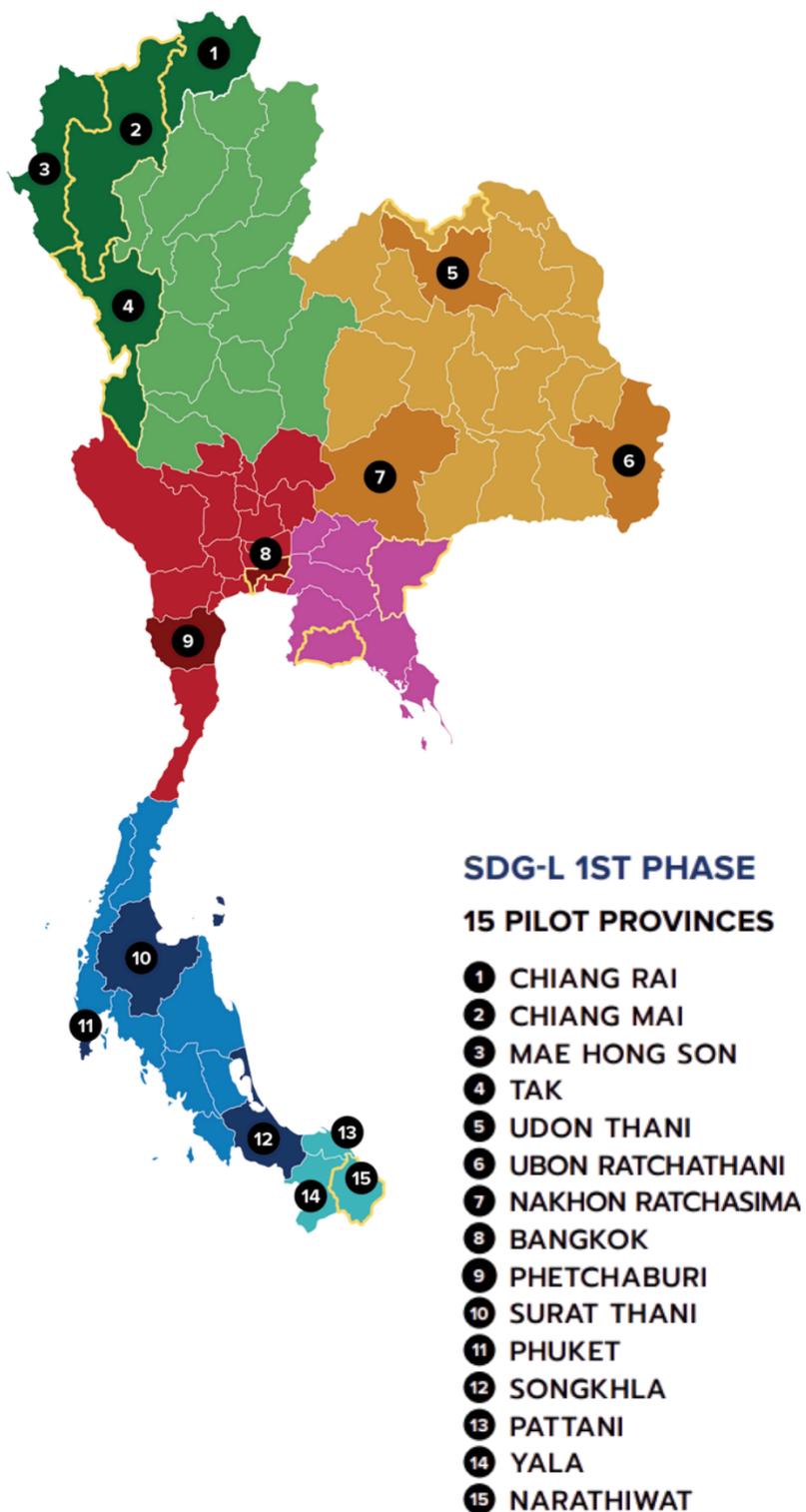
Develop SDG Profiles for **3 additional provinces**, led by local academic institutions



Advocate project outcomes to the **legislative body** and promote **broader awareness** of the SDGs.

Executive Summary: Regional Insights from Thailand's SDG Profiles

The SDG Profiles were developed based on an analysis of SDG implementation using open data, multi-stakeholder consultations—including with local agencies—and a public opinion survey of over 6,000 people. This data reflects the performance, gaps, and development issues in each province and will be useful for provincial planning in terms of financing, technology, and human resources.



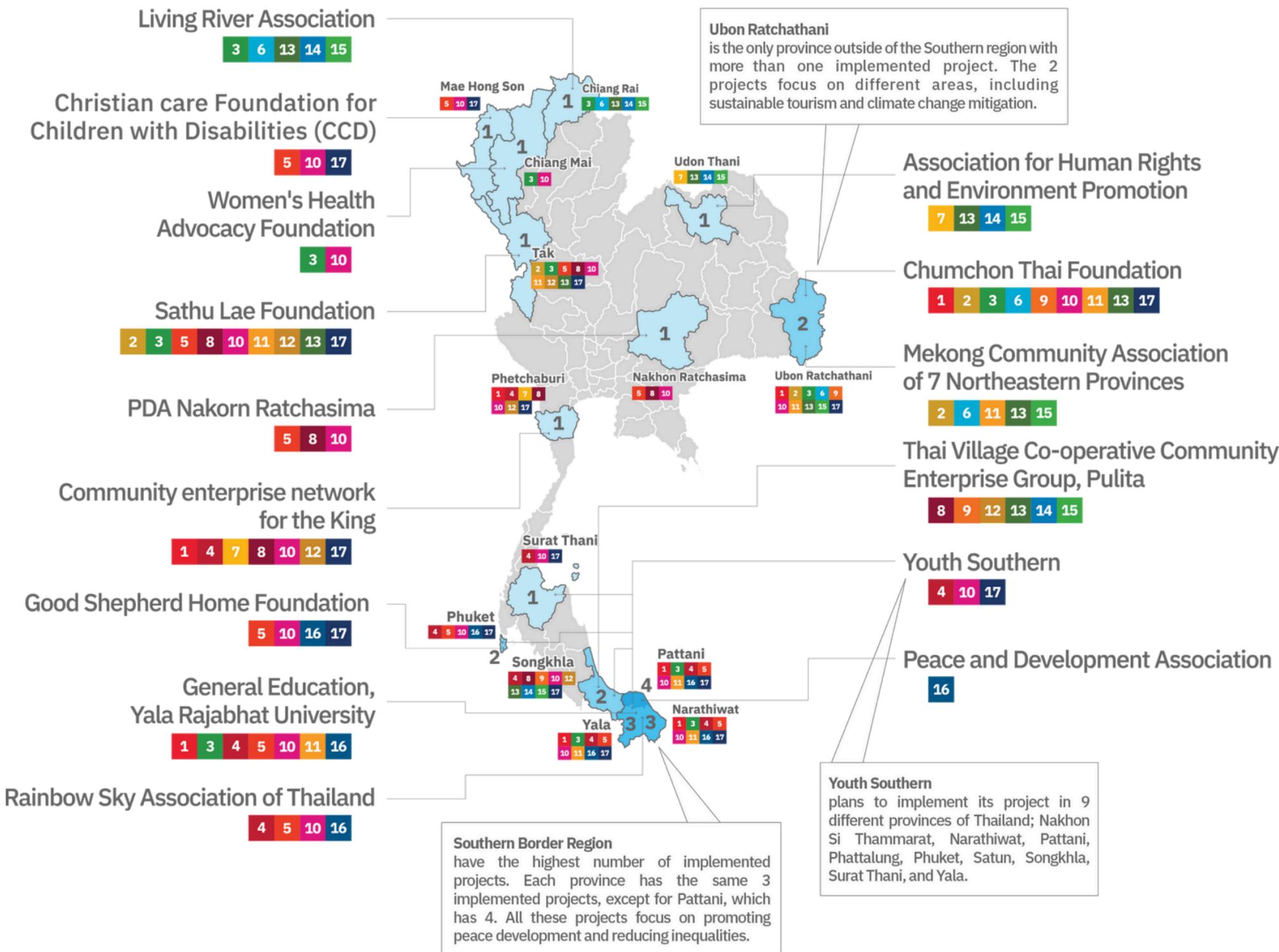
Region	Notable Development Status		Key Development Issues
North	Progress on health and climate action is challenged by healthcare gaps and air pollution.	 	Strengthen healthcare infrastructure, improve air quality, enhance cross-border trade, and promote sustainable tourism rooted in local culture.
Northeast	Water shortages and disaster risks pose challenges to progress in other areas of development.	 	Expand climate-resilient agriculture and enhance water management to promote livelihoods.
Central	Urban expansion and pollution highlight gaps in sustainable cities and responsible consumption.	 	Improve urban planning, waste management and engage the private sector in promoting sustainable business practices.
South	Climate risks and environmental challenges have an impact on livelihoods and jobs.	 	Invest in disaster preparedness plan, promote the use of clean energy, and improve wastewater management efficiency.
Southern Border	The economy faces challenges from low female employment and limited skills development.	 	Expand infrastructure coverage, strengthen cross-border trade and foster social cohesion to enhance investment opportunities.

Approach of the SDG Profile for SDG-L 2.0

- Apply the SDG Profile to support planning and implementation at the provincial level
- Adapt the SDG Profile from an academic focus to one centered on practitioners
- Enhance the capacity of local people to create SDG Profiles independently

Grants for 15 CSO Projects in Thailand

More than US\$200,000 in funding has been provided to 15 CSOs across 14 provinces for projects aligned with the SDGs.



TOP Goals Implemented	Projects	Provinces
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES	10	12
17 PARTNERSHIPS	6	10
5 GENDER EQUALITY	6	7
13 CLIMATE ACTION	6	5
3 GOOD HEALTH & WELL-BEING	5	7
4 QUALITY EDUCATION	4	7
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES	4	5
8 DECENT WORK	4	4
15 LIFE ON LAND	4	4
16 PEACE AND JUSTICE	4	4

Outcomes

- Enhanced the capacity of 3,904 local individuals, particularly vulnerable groups, through support for entrepreneurship, poverty reduction, and environmental sustainability.
- Promoted women's roles, sustainable tourism, climate change adaptation, and disaster risk reduction.
- Over 200k hectares of land benefited from climate-related interventions and forest encroachment prevention.

Example: Thai Village Co-operative Community Enterprise Group, Pulita

- Reduced waste burning from rubber plantations by recycling waste to create added value
- Promoted more sustainable organic farming practices to reduce carbon emissions
- Encouraged community learning about carbon credits

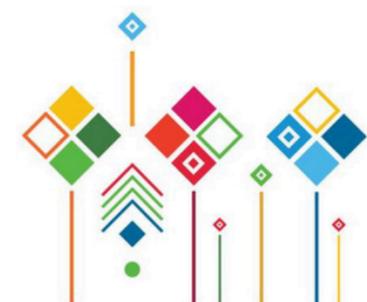


เปิดรับข้อเสนอโครงการระดับประเทศ

เพื่อขอรับทุนสนับสนุน สำหรับองค์กรภาคประชาสังคม (NGOs/CSOs) ที่ทำงานด้านการพัฒนาที่ยั่งยืน (SDGs) ในระดับจังหวัด

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Got a great idea to make your community more sustainable? This is your chance to make communities in 5 provinces shine !

Strengthening SDG Localisation in Thailand Phase II (SDG-L) Project by UNDP Thailand, with funding support from the European Union (EU), is now calling for project proposals from Civil Society Organizations (CSOs/NGOs) across Thailand which needs to propose activities covering 1 in these 5 provinces or more than one: **Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Tak, Narathiwat, and Bangkok.**

In addition to grant support, UNDP will also provide technical support to help organizations design innovative approaches that drive real, lasting impact for sustainable communities.

Deadline for submissions: **30 November 2025**

Small Grant Programme global impacts

28,657 projects on global environmental issues

US\$795 M In GEF and non GEF project funding

21,546 CSOs and CBOs

Since start in 1992

- Local innovation and solutions to address global environmental problems currently in **127 countries**.
- Since 1992**, longest serving and largest GEF Corporate Program implemented by UNDP.
- GEF finance **of total \$1.2 billion** with co-finance, with current portfolio of \$400 million.
- SGP is a Corporate Programme of the GEF, and one the key **signature programmes of UNDP's Local Action Strategy and Service Offer**.
- Acts as **a delivery mechanism**.

Key SGP results in GEF-7

 **CLIMATE CHANGE**
155,646 households with energy access benefits

 **LAND DEGRADATION**
204,722 Hectares of land brought under improved management practices

 **INTERNATIONAL WATERS**
4,220 tons of land-based pollution reduced

 **BIODIVERSITY**
986 PAs and ICCAs, positively influenced effective management

 **SCALING UP**
16% of projects scaled up
13% of projects influenced policy

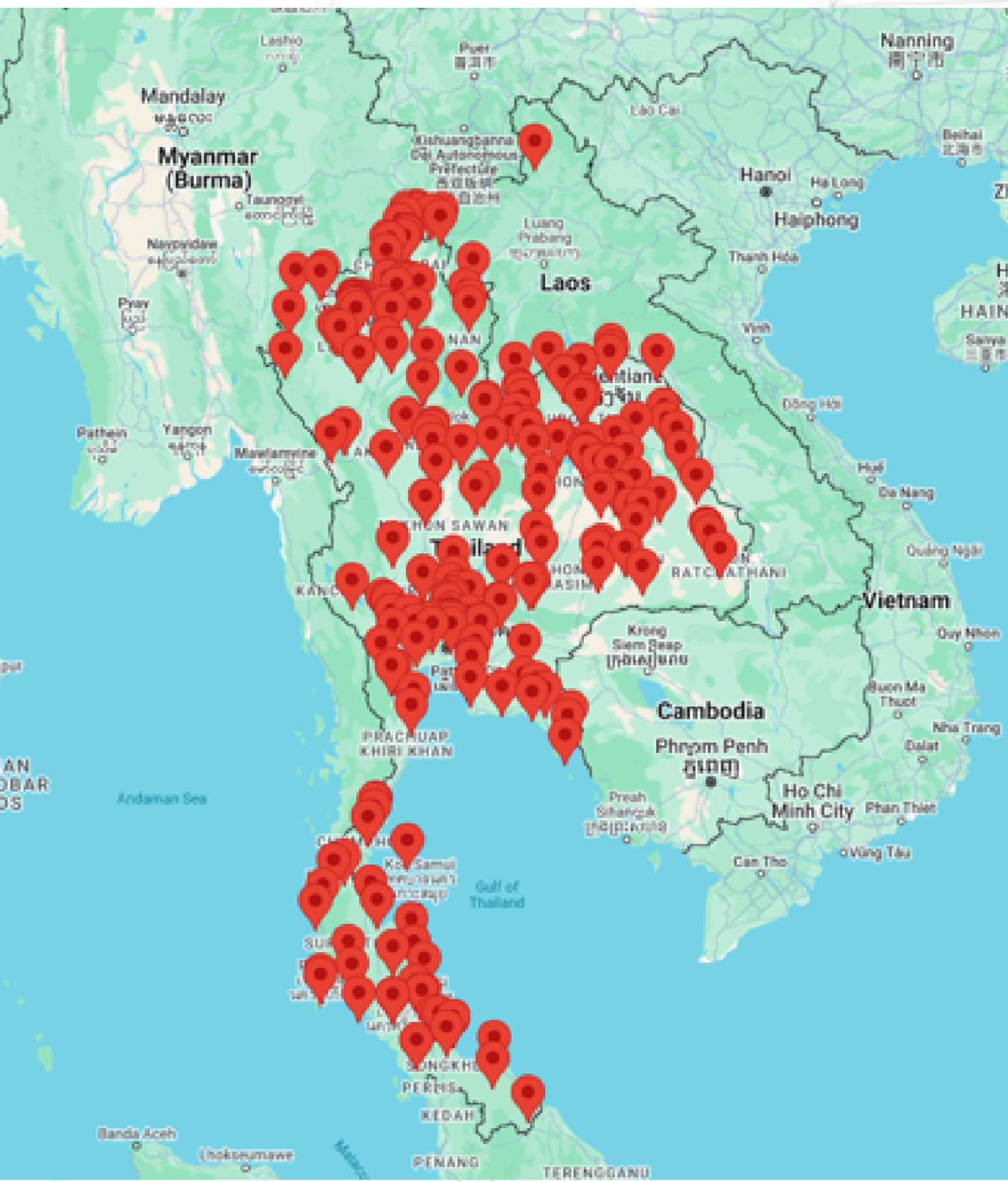
 **CHEMICALS AND WASTE**
218 tons of pesticides properly disposed
84 national coalitions and networks strengthened/established

 **SOCIAL INCLUSION**
37% women-led projects
40% projects involving youth
23% projects engaging IPs
610 organizations of persons with disability

 **CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT**
5,015 CSOs
5,410 CBOs
113,870 people with improved capacity



SGP impacts in Thailand since 1994



COUNTRY PROGRAMME SNAPSHOT

1994
Start Year

492
Number of GEF Projects

US\$ 8,573,762
GEF Grant Amount

US\$ 2,690,489
Co-Financing in Cash

US\$ 8,604,915
Co-Financing in Kind

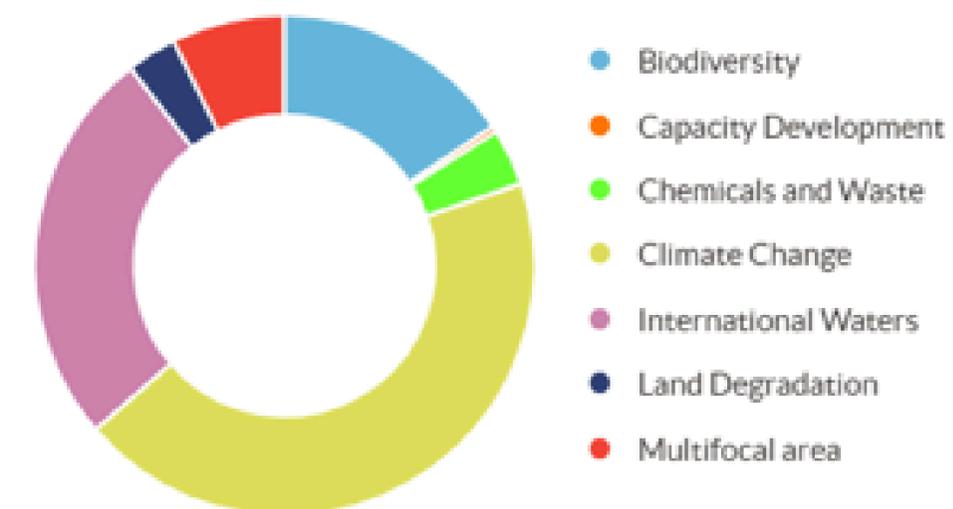
US\$ 107,615
Non-GEF Grant Amount

3
Number of Non-GEF Projects

495
Total Number of Projects

Source: Quality assured data from SGP's annual monitoring process, 2024

COUNTRY PORTFOLIO BY AREA OF WORK



GCF - NAP Marine addresses the following issues:

01

Data and Knowledge

The limitations of reliable, sufficient, and accessible information and knowledge regarding the impacts of climate change.

02

Capability Constraints

Lack of technical capability in planning and prioritizing adaptation efforts and preparing estimates aligned with the economic development of the marine sector.

03

Coordination with Relevant Sectors

Coordination with all relevant sectors in local-level adaptation planning is insufficient, especially with the private sector.

04

Financial Strategies

Lack of financial strategies for adaptation and limited knowledge in the private sector regarding adaptation.

05

Decision-Making Mechanisms and Comprehensive Participation

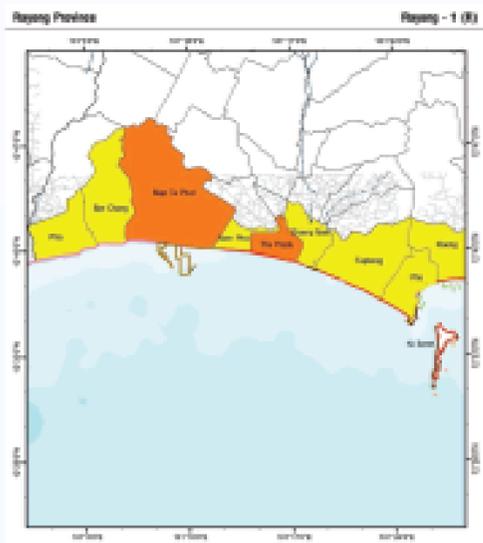
Absence of comprehensive decision-making mechanisms and participatory planning processes, including the focus on gender equality and vulnerable groups in the area.

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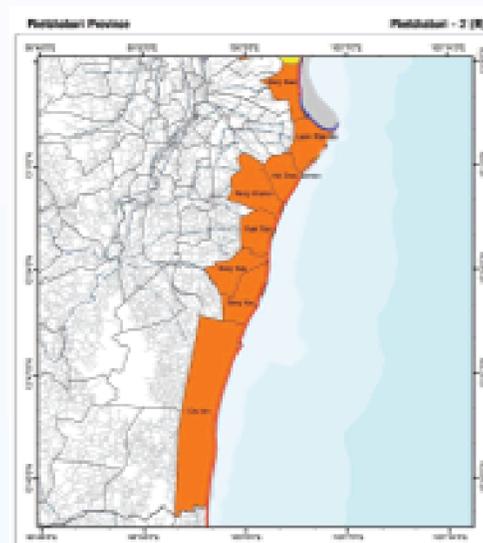
Monitoring and Evaluation Systems

Lack of effective monitoring and evaluation systems for adaptation practices.

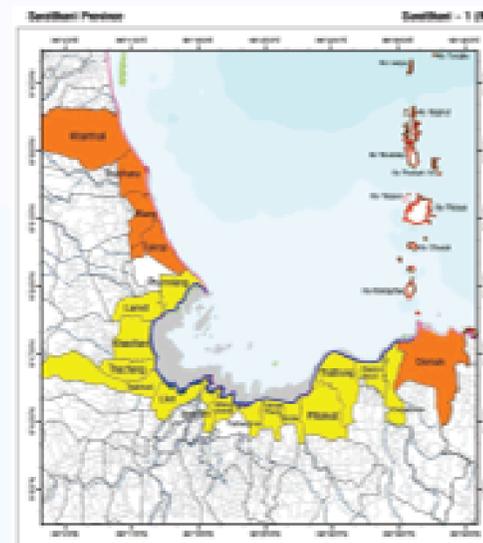
Risk and Vulnerability Map for Coastal Areas of the Pilot Province:



Rayong



Phetchaburi



Surat Thani



Songkhla

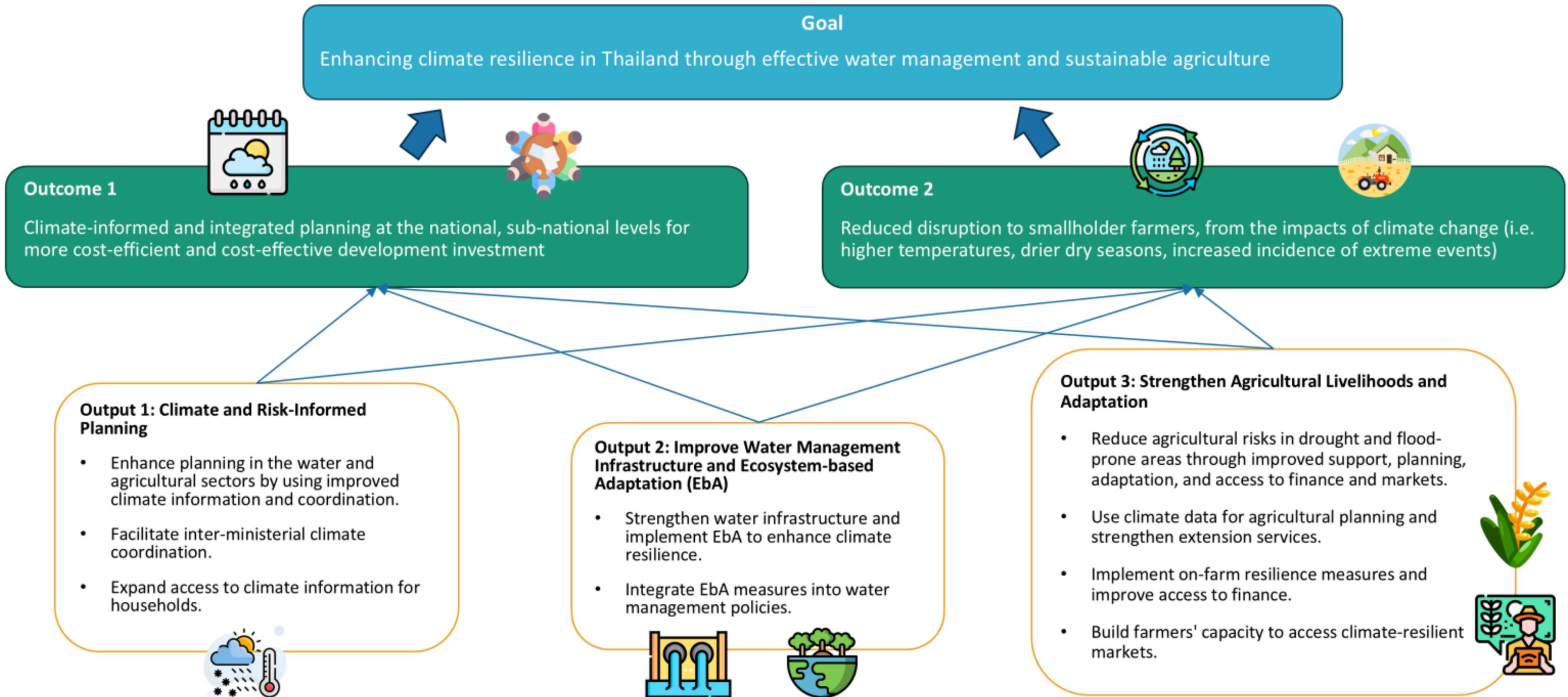
Symbols

- Roads
- Sub-districts
- Provinces
- Coral Reefs
- Seagrass Beds
- Mangroves
- Mudflats

Risk and Vulnerability Index

- Low
- Medium
- High
- Very High

Enhancing Climate Resilience in Thailand through Effective Water Management and Sustainable Agriculture



GCF-Water in Figures



62,000 people
as one of the most vulnerable groups to climate change in Thailand

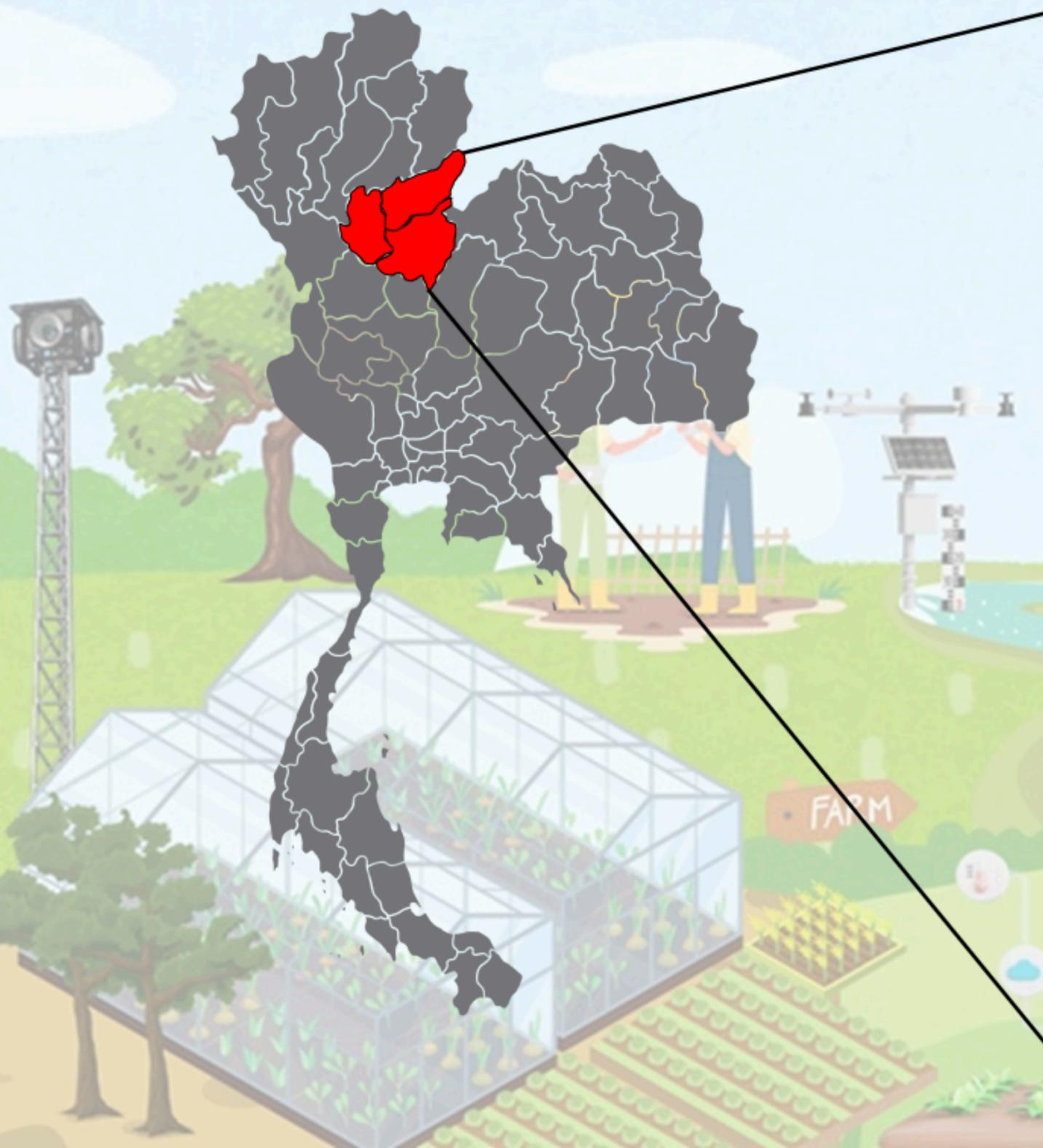
USD 2 million reduction in losses

THA Flagship Project
following National Adaptation Plan

USD 0.8 million
Investment on local hydro-meteorological monitoring system

Distribution area of
125,000 Rai for climate risk informed upgrades and enhancements

- **On-farm adaptation** measures
- Establishment of **Farmer Field School**
- **22** Community nurseries
- Greater access to **finance and market**





SIPA Thailand: Building Climate-Resilient Infrastructure for Thailand's Future

Achievements 2024–2025 & Roadmap for 2026

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