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**Invitation to Participate in Agroecology Training
For Youth in Southeast Asia and Bangladesh
"Taking Care of Our Food and Earth, in the Present & Future"**

Agriculture is a significant sector in Asian region. As a result of Asia's vast population, the need for food is also substantial. If it is not balanced by effective and good management of agricultural resources, Asia's position on the global food market will be skewed toward demand. The rising need for food has prompted significant changes in agricultural systems, such as intensification with increased use of agricultural inputs. On the other hand, major changes in agricultural systems over the past few decades have resulted in a variety of social and environmental issues, including biodiversity loss, soil depletion, flooding, water scarcity, increased GHG emissions, and dilemmas over the production of healthy food.

Transitioning to more sustainable agricultural and food systems is crucial for future food and nutrition security, social and economic fairness, and ecological sustainability. To satisfy food demands in a sustainable way, adopting sustainable agriculture methods requires the participation of the younger generation. It is time for the younger generation to take a part in the agricultural sector, contributing to the community, creating liveable environment, and fostering self-resilience. Therefore, youth need a new perspective on agriculture to create a more optimistic future.

Nuffic Neso and **DeTara Foundation** arrange an online Agroecology training programme titled *"Taking Care of Our Food and Earth in the Present & Future"* for youth (16-19 years old) in Southeast Asia and Bangladesh. The training program is part of our *"EmpoweringYouth4Food"* campaign programme, which has been conducted by Nuffic Neso and NL Alumni Indonesia & Vietnam since 2020 in an effort to foster young participation in sustainable agricultural and food systems.

We encourage schools and youth across Southeast Asia and Bangladesh to enroll for this training programme. The online training activities are free of charge. During the course, there will be competent resource persons, including prominent university academics, agroecology professionals/practitioners, and the NL alumni in Southeast Asia, Bangladesh, and the Netherlands. Twenty (20) young individuals will be selected to participate in the training programme for free. The selection of participants will consider motivation, gender, and country representativeness. Registration of participants can be done using the following link <https://bit.ly/YouthAgroecologyRegister> before **20 September 2022**.

Download further information on this activity at <https://bit.ly/YouthAgroecologyToR>. If you have any queries about this activity please contact **Ms. Ika Satyasari** (Phone: +62 813 1692 0258/ Email: agroecologyEY4F@gmail.com) or **Mr. Dito Alif Pratama** (Email: dpratama@nuffic.nl).