Summary of activities in January 2012 in Salavan TTC

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1. What I did

A) Preparation for training students of Mathematics and Science

I prepared for training students of junior high school course and primary school course. I heard that the training for junior high school course will hold on from January 23rd to 27th and the training for primary school course will hold on from January 30th to February 3rd. I already selected the topics and told the material to teachers of mathematics and science teacher one month ago.

I spent a lot of time to translate and understand contents of Lao textbooks. I think about a lot of thing to teach, for example how to teach is better, what is the best material to teach and so on.

But the training was not held on. I was so disappointed.

B) Attending to educational subcommittee of mathematics

I took part in educational of mathematics for JOCV on January 19th and 20th in JICA Laos office. I took the lead preparation of the meeting. In the meeting, we discussed about mathematics education and introduce teaching material and activities each other.

C) Attending to educational meeting of JICA Laos office

I took part in educational meeting of JICA Laos office on 20th January. The meeting was sponsored by JICA. The persons who belong to Japanese organization and NGO, for example IJI, IV-JAPAN, Shanti Volunteer Association, were invited. I gave a presentation about my work and education of Saravan. I think my presentation was well received.

D) I introduced Japanese food of a new year for teachers in Science Office on 3rd January. I cooked "Ozouni" (soup of Mochi), "Kinpira" (stir-fried vegetables), "Futomaki"(rolling rice) and "Zenzai"(sweet of Mochi).

2. Impression

1) Good thing

① I introduced Japanese foods of a new year for teachers in Science Office on January 3rd. Many teachers came to my house. I was glad that I introduce Japanese foods and teachers tasted the foods. I had a good time with them. I'm so happy.

- ② I applied to JICA for purchase microscopes. JICA permitted that. It is good news for Saravan TTC.
- ③ The laboratory of Saravan TTC got a water supply at last.

2) Problem

① I prepared for training students of junior high school course and primary school course that should hold on from January 23rd to 27th and from January 30th to February 3rd. But the training was not held on. I was so disappointed and I want to know why can't do it.

I already told teachers that if you make a plan, you should make feasible plan.

② A laboratory of Saravan TTC was getting clean, but there is not necessary material of experimentation. I wrote and handed the list of necessary material of experimentation for Ms. Suliphone on November. I don't know why the material couldn't get. Saravan TTC must get necessary material of experimentation for teaching students. For example, microscopes, wire triangles, test tubes, test-tubes, rubber stoppers, rubber tubes and glass rods.

3) Solution

- ① I don't know why the training can't do. I cannot accept the reason is Saravan TTC don't have money. I have nothing to do.
- ② I already told Ms.Suliphone that if you can get a price list of any shop in Lao, JICA can help to buy the material of experimentation. I already told the name and phone number of 2 shops.

3. What I want do

- · I want to do activities according to plan!
- · I want to make the material for teaching mathematics and science.
- · I want to get a lot of poster from educational administration of province Saravan.

[Photo] Activities of JOCV in January 2012

A new year's party in my house



Menu of Japanese foods of a new year



Preparation of Japanese foods



"YUKATA" Japanese traditional clothes



Eating Japanese foods with teachers

Educational meeting of JICA Laos office





My presentation about activities in Salavan TTC

Attending to educational subcommittee of mathematics in JICA Laos Office



Making teaching material of mathematics