



Strengthening the Capacity of Small-Scale Coffee Farmers in Flores

Results

- Trained farmers to produce their own **organic fertilizer** from locally available raw materials, like neem leaves, tobacco leaves, lemongrass, etc. Farmers reported **saving money** because they no longer had to buy fertilizer from the market. In total, all four villages **produced 1,150 liters** of plant-based fertilizer.
- Trained farmers on how to **prune and rehabilitate their coffee trees**, which were, on average, older and overgrown. All four villages reported **pruning 1,570 trees** in total.
- Trained farmers on **harvest and post-harvesting practices** that will ensure **higher quality coffee** and, consequently, **higher prices**. Such practices included classification of beans, pulping, post-harvest storage, and timely harvesting to avoid fermentation.
- Provided the four villages with **post-harvest inputs**: 1 sealer machine, 6 pulper machines, 120 dry racks, 120 tarpaulins, 40 drums, 40 buckets, and buckets.
- Trained 27 farmers on **coffee roasting and cupping** so that they may see how their coffee measures up to international standards and tastes.
- Trained 77 farmers on **cooperative management** roles and responsibilities to improve **transparency, governance** and **accountability** to members.
- Trained the same 77 farmers about the **coffee value-chain** to help farmers optimize their position and on **collective marketing** strategies to increase their market access and prices.



QUICK FACTS

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) conducted **coffee field schools** in four Flores' villages in Nusa Tenggara Timur Province to strengthen the ability of **125 small-scale coffee farmers** and their cooperative structures to be more successful in the export market through:

- improved cultivation techniques to increase **quantity and quality** of their production
- **greater participation of member farmers** in their cooperative structures to **promote transparency** and governance
- the introduction of value-added **organic fertilizer** production and **post-harvest processing** at the farm level

Applying lessons learned from this pilot project, LWR intends to scale up these efforts to reach a greater number of coffee farmers in Indonesia.

LWR began working in Indonesia following the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami. Since 2011, LWR has supported Indonesian coffee cooperatives and their members as they seek to improve both the quality and quantity of their crop and increase their access to global markets.

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