Improving Organic Agricultural Practices in Indigenous Communities

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The aim of this Project is strengthening the capacity of production and adaptation of two rural communities: Nahualá (with a population of 157 men and 67 women), and Renacimiento (with a population of 22 women and 55 men). The two cooperative societies that participate in the Project are members of the Special Coffee Trading Company of Guatemala (Federación Comercializadora de Café Especial de Guatemala (FECCEG)), which supports the logistics of the Project.

**Activities Developed by the Project**

- Transferring technology to the technicians of the cooperative societies (analysis of the soil and improvement plan)
- Raising awareness among local communities about the need to know the soil as well as the climate change.
- Creating activities that generate income (nurseries and manufacturing plants of compost)
- Providing indigenous families with the necessary capacities to create strategies for development and adaptation

**Remarkable Aspects of the Project**

- Promoting a model of rural sustainable development in the nearby area of the national park and biosphere reserve BOCACOSTA
- Improving the living conditions and resources of the indigenous communities by preserving the practices of organic agriculture
- Protecting indigenous peoples’ way of life by empowering beneficiaries
- One of the two pillars of the fight against climate change: adaptation and mitigation