Sufficiency Economy Philosophy and Its Application for Sustainable Agriculture in Thailand: The New Theory

The Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) was initiated by His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej the Great. It is a guideline for leading one’s life and behavior, which can be applied to all sectors and levels ranging from an individual or household, community, project, business, nation, to the whole world. It is a decision-making framework for taking action or solving problems in different situations based on the Buddhist principle of the middle path. Decisions and actions are carried out based on knowledge and virtue through the principle of moderation, reasonability, and risk management, which helps to strengthen one’s ability and capacity to cope with internal and external uncertainties as well as rapid economic, social, environmental, and cultural changes sustainably. SEP is also applied for sustainable agricultural land and water management, in the frame of the so-called the New Theory, which enables Thai farmers to be self-reliant and sufficient with a solid foundation.

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