THAI NGUYEN UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY IN PLANT VARIETIES PROTECTION



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- ➤ Plant Varieties Protection for commercialization of plant varieties of TUAF
- TUAF's Strategies in commercialization of plants varieties protection in the next stage.

PART I: INTRODUCTION

- Agricultural country.
- High density of population
- Almost slopping land (75%)
- Improve living standard of the lowland and upland people The current main objective of VN's Government
- Seed Sector plays an important role to meet the objective – material contribution of new plant varieties.







Plant variety management system in Vietnam

PV National registration system (MARD)*

BEFORE 2006

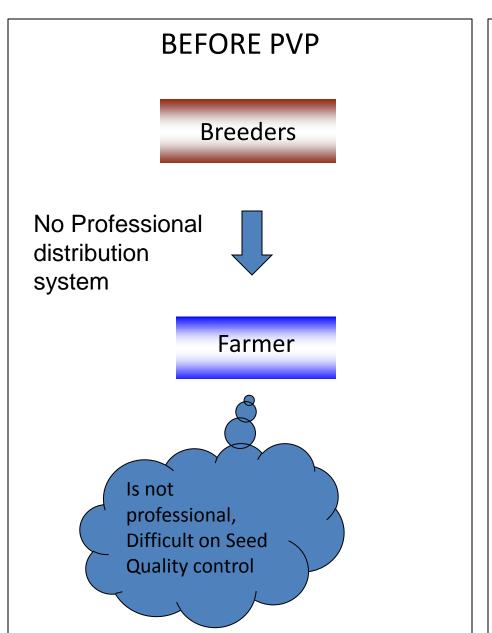
- National seed registration system
- Management system (couple of aspects) not fully accordance with the WTO agreement

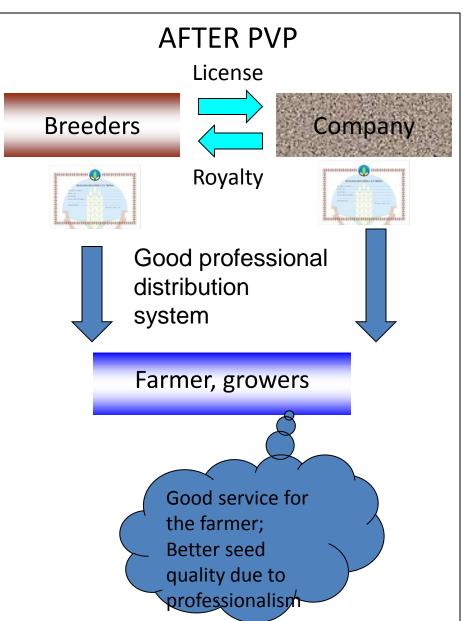
PV Protection department

2006-NOW

- Joining UPOV
- Two parallel systems
- Benefits to plant breeder, Local
 Seed Companies and
 farmers/growers

The Seed distribution system of new Var.





Opportunities from plant breeding: Higher value for exporting Agricultural products

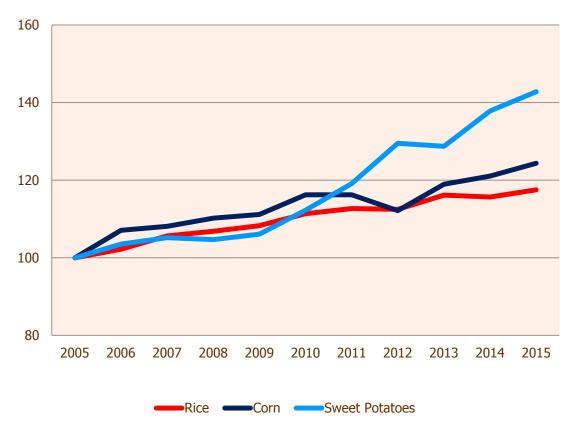
- Exporter on agriculture products.
- ➤ For rice: 5/10 protected varieties are cultivated in biggest area for exporting.
- New varieties of flowers (rose, cymbidium, anthurium...) are being introduced to VN by foreign countries.





Plant breeding in Viet Nam: Yield vs. overall productivity developments

Vietnamese yield developments over time: major arable crops (index, 2005=100%)



- → Per annum since 2005:
 - rice: + 1.6 %,
 - corn: + 1.8 %,
 - sw. potatoes: + 3.6 %.
- → To compare, global yield increases are in the range of:
 - rice: + 1.3 %,
 - corn: + 1.1 %,
 - sw. potatoes: 0.3 %.
- → Can Viet Nam already be considered an out-performer?

Source: UPOV Vietnam (from orginal source: FAO (2016), GSO (2016) and IRRI (2016)).



Plant breeding benefits: Supply changes also have financial implications

The income effects referring to major arable crops are just part of the overall impact.







- → Whereas approximately USD 3.5 billion have been added to GDP when looking at rice, corn and sweet potatoes, ...
- → ... an additional GDP of at least USD 0.2-0.3 billion has been added by having invested ten years into plant breeding for flowers.
- → Indeed, Viet Nam has become one of the fastest growing flower markets.
- → In 2016 for the first time in history the exportation value of fruit (banana, guava...) reached 1 billion USD and exceeded oil exportation in Vietnam

Opportunities for Local seed companies

- Before PVP: almost of them are trade company (not interest in research)
- ➤ When PVP system is established:
 - ✓ Beginning: they are licensed to exploit PBR from owner (transferred)
 - ✓ They develop breeding facility
- Now, many of them have own breeding facility
- Some become big with very good breeding facility.







Increasing farmer income



- ➤ A cuttings of new rose varieties may be sold 10 15 times more expensive than old Var.
- > New variety is introduced in VN.
- Indigenous species are improved and transferring to growers.
- Farmers in both lowland and upland have chance to increase their income.







Farmers produce under license from Owners



Waiting to the aircraft for exportation



Challenges

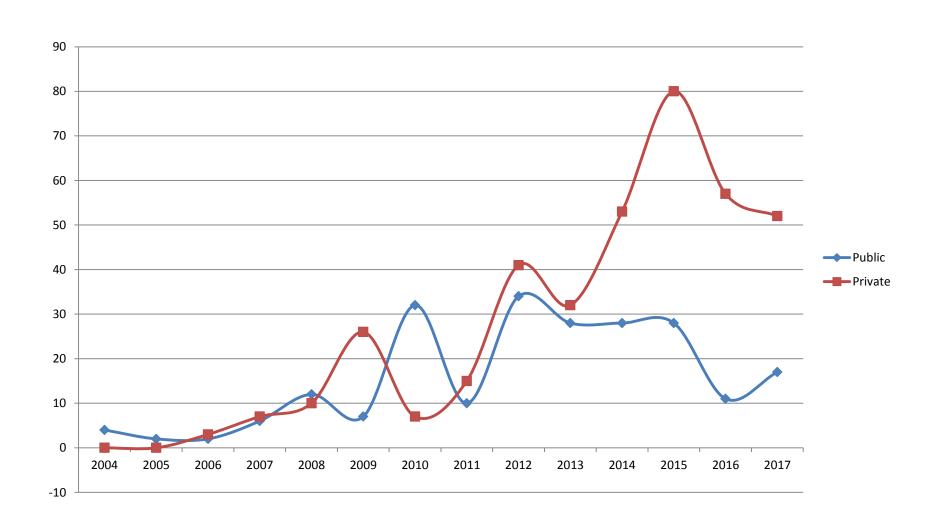
- More competition between domestic companies and international companies
- Administration system lagging behind and not upto international standards.
- Limited Awareness of PVP among communities, leading to difficulties in commercialization of PVP business.

STRATEGY FOR THE PROTECTION OF VARIETIES FOR COMMERCIALIZATION OF PLANT VARIETIES IN VIETNAM

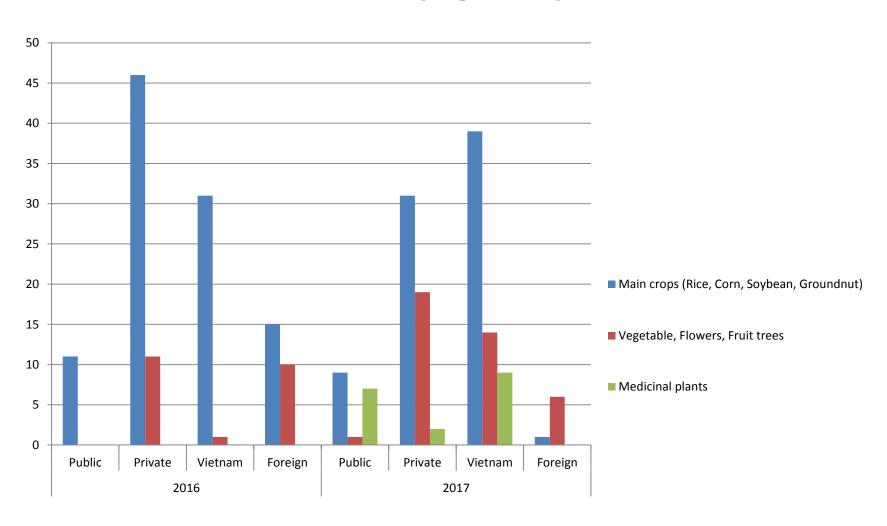
Increasing groups of plant varieties

- Main crops: for food products
- Horticulture plants: Horticulture products and food products
- Medicinal plants: for medicinal products
- Forest trees: for wood products.

Number of PVP in Vietnam (2004-2017)



Number of PVP in Vietnam (2016-2017) by groups



Application is increasing

- Number of applications increased very quickly
 - Many good new varieties and native species
 released for farmer and growers.
- Good new var. from oversea and new species
 - farmers/enterprises generate good income.

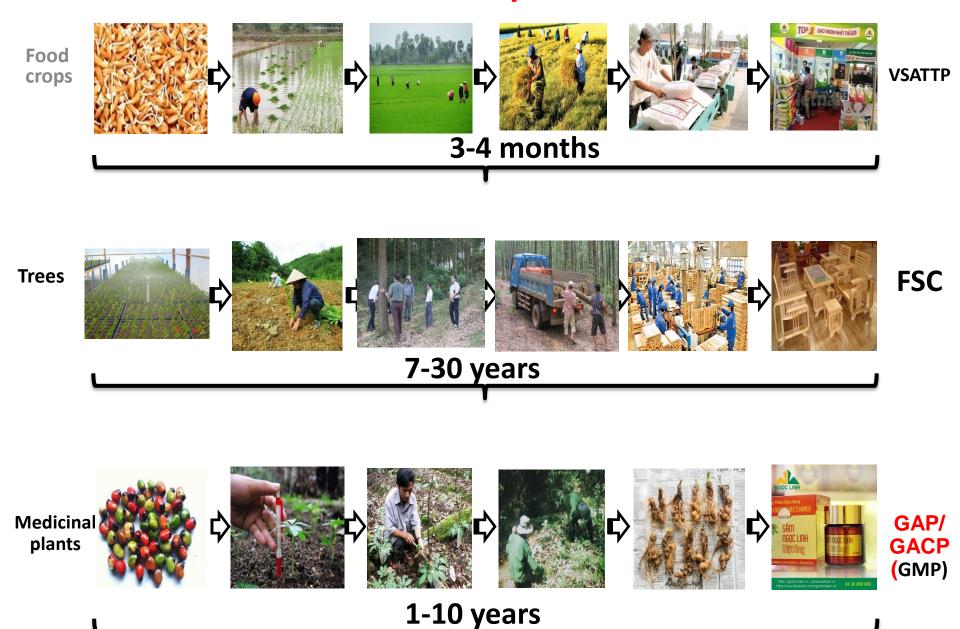




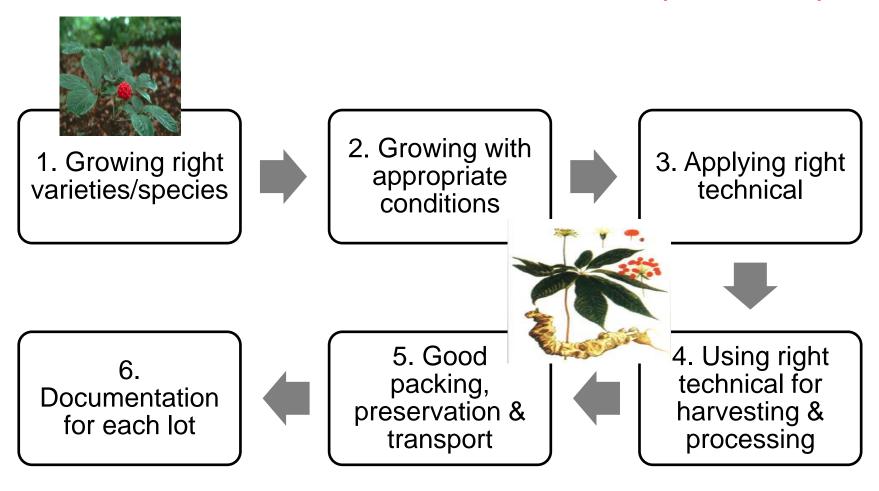




Value chain of production



CONTENTS OF GUIDELINE OF GOOD PRACTICING ON GROWING/COLLECTING MEDICINAL PLANTS (GAP/GACP)



Ngoc Linh Ginseng is becoming national product which was accepted application form for PVP in 2017.

PART II. PLANT VARIETIES PROTECTION, PLANT PRODUCTION AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF Thai Nguyen University of Agriculture and Forestry





TUAF was founded in 1970

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 To conduct researches and transfer new technologies (agriculture, forestry and environmental science....)



www.tuaf.edu.vn TUAF

- One of national key universities, largest Uni. In agriculture
- Multidisciplinary University: 8 faculties and 9 research institutes/centers
- Total staff: 652; 13,000 students (Vietnam, Philippine, Indonesia, Myanma, Laos, Cambodia, Africa...)
- First university in VN having PV protected and commercialized on medicinal plants

Contributing 40% inbreed medicinal seeds for the country.



Patents granted in recent times

Year	Name of patents		
2009	Pham Van Ngoc (2009). "Agroforestry rice varieties 7", Decision No. 458 / QĐ-TT-CLT, dated 25/11/2009, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.		
2016	Tran Ngoc Ngoan (2016). Certificate of cassava seed as a material for starch and biofuel production ". Decision No. 85 / QD-BNN-TT, dated 13/01/2016, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.		

Prize of forestry seeding production





Prize "Golden rice"

On system of high quality seeds production by QD no. 4139/QĐ-BNN-TCCB

Number of PVP at the IFRAD in 2017



No.	Plant Variety	Species	Plant variety Owner	Plant breeder
1	ÐINH LĂNG HM-TN	Đinh Lăng Polycias fruticosa (L.) Harms.)	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha and others
2	BA KÍCH TÍM HM- QN	Ba kích tím <i>Morinda officinali</i> s How	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha and others
3	SA NHÂN TÍM HM-ĐL	Sa nhân tím Amomum <i>Longiligulare</i> <i>T.L.Wu</i>	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha and others
4	GỪNG GIÓ HM- BS	Gừng gió Zingber zerumbet (L.) Sm.	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha and others
5	LAN KIM TUYÉN HM-LC	Lan kim tuyến Anoectochilus setaceus Blume	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha and others
6	LAN KIM TUYÉN HM-HG	Lan kim tuyến Anoectochilus setaceus Blume	IFRAD	Tran Thi Thu Ha, Pham Van Dien, Bui Van Dong and others
7	HOÀNG TINH ĐỔ - HM - HG	Hoàng tinh đỏ Polygonatum kingianum Coll. Et Hemsl	IFRAD and CAFED	Tran Thi Thu Ha, Pham Van Dien, Bui Van Dong and others

1. ĐINH LĂNG HM-TN (Polycias fruticosa (L.) Harms.)











Produce variety of HM-TN

Growing new plant variety

2. BA KÍCH TÍM HM-QN (Species: Morinda officinalis How)





Morinda officinalis How HM-QN







Morinda officinalis How HM-QN Model

3. SA NHÂN TÍM HM- ĐL (Species: Amomum Longiligulare T.L.Wu)







Amomum Longiligulare T.L.Wu HM – ĐL flower



Amomum *Longiligulare T.L.Wu HM – ĐL -*: planting at The Son Duong - TQ



Amomum Longiligulare T.L.Wu HM – ĐL 28 fruit

4. GÙNG GIÓ HM-BS (Species: Zingber zerumbet (L.) Sm.)











5. LAN KIM TUYÉN HM – LC (Species: Anoectochilus setaceus Blume)













Lan Kim tuyen HM-LC: Moc Chau

6. Lan Kim tuyen HM - HG 30

6. HOÀNG TINH ĐỞ HM-HG (Polygonatum kingianum Coll et Hemsl.)











Hoàng tinh do

Hoàng tinh trang

7. HÀ THỦ Ô HM-HG (Fallopia multiflora Thunb)











IFRAD's application for protection has been approved in 2017

No	Plant Variety	Species	Ownership	Researcher
8	Hà Thủ ô đỏ	Fallopia multiflora	IFRAD	
9		Campanumoea javanica	IFRAD	
	Đẳng sâm			
10	Lan thạch hộc tía	Dendrobium officinale Kimura et Migo	IFRAD	
11	Khôi tía	Ardisia silvestris Pitard	IFRAD	
12	Trà hoa vàng	Camellia hakodae Ninh, Tr	IFRAD	



Hà thủ ô đỏ (Fallopia multiflora Thunb)



Đảng sâm (*Codonopsis* javanica (Blume)
Hook.f. & Thomson)



Lan thạch hộc tía HN-HG (*Dendrobium* officinale Kimura et Migo)



Khôi tía HN- H (*Ardisia silvestris* Pitard)



Trà hoa vàng HN-DT (Camellia chrysantha)



IFRAD supported other applications for PVP have accepted in 2017

No.	Plant Variety	Species	Plant variety	Plant breeder
			Owner	
13		Panax vietnamense Ha &	Center for	Nguyen Van Ut
		Grushv	Conservation and	and others
	Sâm Ngọc Linh QN		Development	
14		Dendrobium Nestor	CAFED	Nguyen Thi Lan
	Lan trầm tím HG			and others
15		Gynostemma	Dang Kim Vui	Dang Kim Vui and
		pubescens (Gagnep.) C.		others
		Y. Wu ex C. Y. Wu et S.		
	Giảo cổ lam BK	K. Chen		
16		Huperzia squarrosa	CAFED and	Tran Thi Thu Ha
	Thông đất HM-HG		IFRAD	and others
17			Center for	Nguyen Van Ut
	Ba kích TG-QN		Conservation and	and others
18	Da KICII I G-QIV		Development	
			Panax vietnamense	
	Sa Nhân NG-QN		Ha & GrushvGrushv	

13. SÂM NÚI NGỌC LINH QN (Species: *Panax* vietnamense Ha & Grushv)





Ngoc Linh tree



Ngoc Linh fruit



Ngoc Linh tuber



14. Lan trầm tím HG(Dendrobium Nestor)



15. Giảo cổ lam BK (Gynostemma pubescens (Gagnep.)



16. Thông đất HM- HG (Huperzia squarrosa).



17. Ba kích TG - QN (Morinda officinalis How)



18. Sa Nhân NG – QN (Semen Amomi)

Total of contracts for medicinal seedlings in 2017

Varieties	No of seedlings	Buyers	Notes
Polycias fruticosa (L.) Harms.) HM-TN	1,000,000	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development	19/ HÐKT/2017
Morinda officinalis How HM-QN	100,000	Ba Vi Forestry Seed Company Limited	90/HÐKT/2017
	50,000	Quang Ninh Sustainable Forestry Joint Stock Company	171/HÐKT/2017
	45,000	Seed Center of Quang Nam	
Anoectochilus setaceus Blume	100,000	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development	05/ HĐKT/2017
	56,000	Mr. Son's farm, Nghe An	10/ HÐKT/2017
Zingber zerumbet (L.) Sm.	100,000	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development	
Semen Amomi	85,000	Seed Center of Quang Nam	92/HÐKT/2017

Transferring breeding technologies for others by joining research/development projects

Varieties	Projects	Buyers	Periods
Đinh lăng HM-TN	Package for transferred seedling breeding	Thanh Hoa Science and Technology Center	2017-2019
Ba kich tím HM- QN	Package for transferred seedling breeding and rights to produce seedlings	Ba Vi Forestry Seed Company Limited	2017-2018
		Quang Ninh Sustainable Forestry Joint Stock Company	2017
		Seed Center of Quang Nam	2017-2020
Lan kim tuyến, Đinh lăng	Research project	Ministry of Science and Technologies/Northern mountainous region	2017-2020
Gừng gió	Package for transferred seedling breeding by <i>in vitro</i>	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development	2017
Sa nhân tím	Joint project for Rural Development	Seed Center of Quang Nam/ Ministry of Science and Technologies	2017-2020
Hoàng tinh đỏ	Package for transferred seedling breeding by <i>in vitro</i>	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development	2017-2019

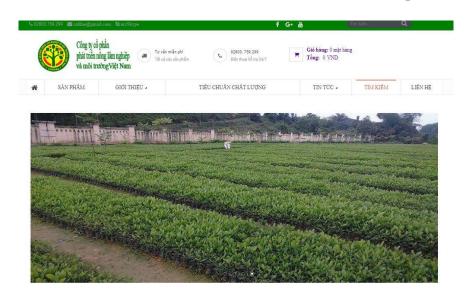
Commercialization: Own beneficiaries

- Plant breeders, research institution
 - Qualified to produce seedlings and selling in the markets at large scale.
 - Transferring techniques of seedling breeding for companies/enterprise/collectives/others through economic contracts/research projects/funding projects.
 - Expansion of international collaboration.
 - Increase number of contract funding for the institute/university adapted a new strategy "autonomy" at the University.
 - Fair Competition in trade: investment to research and development will have chance to have more benefits for re-investment.

Other beneficiaries

- For Local seeds companies (LSC): Better environment for LSCs to play in the seed industry through sharing authority rights of PVP for producing seed/seedlings and trading.
- Core value of business is protected (variety protection certification, seed copyright granted)
- Many companies growing from "middle man" to technological/research/breeding companies.

Promote trading for companies in 2017



Vietnamese joint stock company of Agroforestry and environmental development Address: 10 Group, Quyet Thang

Commune, Thai Nguyen City, Thai Nguyen

Province

Tax code: 4601292139 (19/05/2016)

Director: Nguyễn Thị Lan

Active date: 19/05/2016

Business license: 4601292139 ()

Name of company	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development QUANG NAM branch
Tax code	<u>4601292139-002</u>
Date of issue	10/05/2017
Place of management registration	Tax Department of Phu ninh district
Company adress	Highway 1A, An Tho Village, Tam An Commune, Phu Ninh District, Quang Nam Province, Vietnam

Name of company	Vietnamese joint stock company of Agro-forestry and environmental development – HAF GIANG
Tax code	<u>4601292139-001</u>
Date of issue	13/02/2017
Place of management registration	Cục Thuế Tỉnh Hà Giang
Company adress	4 Group, Vi Xuyen Town ,Vi Xuyen Commune, Ha Giang Province, Vietnam

Challenges for commercialization of PVP in VN

- > Legislation document
 - √ Still complicated, some articles are not clear
 - ✓ Punishment level is not strong enough
- > Technical system
 - ✓ Can not meet the demand due to rich of species
 - √ Human resource
 - ✓ Investment
 - ✓ Technical Guidelines especially for new species

PART III: STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR TRADITIONAL PLANT PROTECTION AND TRADE AT THE TUAF

- Expand the scope and scale of research for high value indigenous tree species
- Breeding new varieties from existing varieties
- Establishing and forming the centers and research stations with special focus on medicinal plants
- Registration for seed protection and intellectual property on industrial production of seeds.
- Training to improve the resources, facilities for breeding, propagation and protection of breeds
- There is a mechanism to encourage scientists to participate in plant variety protection.....

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