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The Organic Farming Cultivation

Organic Agriculture Cultivation Twenty indigenous Papuan farmers received training in organic farming, particularly for planting garlic, tomatoes, and chilies at Alatep village, Okaba sub-district.

Indigenous Papuans are taught how to build and use their back yards to create organic farms that they can use to grow food for themselves and sell to neighbors in the Okaba subdistrict and throughout the village.



"The Dahetok Milah Lestari Foundation provided us with training on organic agricultural techniques and how to make organic fertilizer".

Besides that, we were also taught how to make chili, garlic and tomato nurseries.





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I also explained about the development of local foods such as sago, bananas, and sweet potatoes, which will continue to survive if we protect our land and forests. The community finally agreed that we should manage agriculture without having to open new land but by utilizing their yards.

DISCUSSED WITH SMALL SCALE FARMERS

On May 4, 2023, in the village of Alatep, I had a discussion with small-scale farmers to talk about the agricultural potential that could be developed in that village. We also discussed issues related to developing traditional agricultural systems such as the wambad system. Unfortunately, many are no longer familiar this traditional with farming system.

