



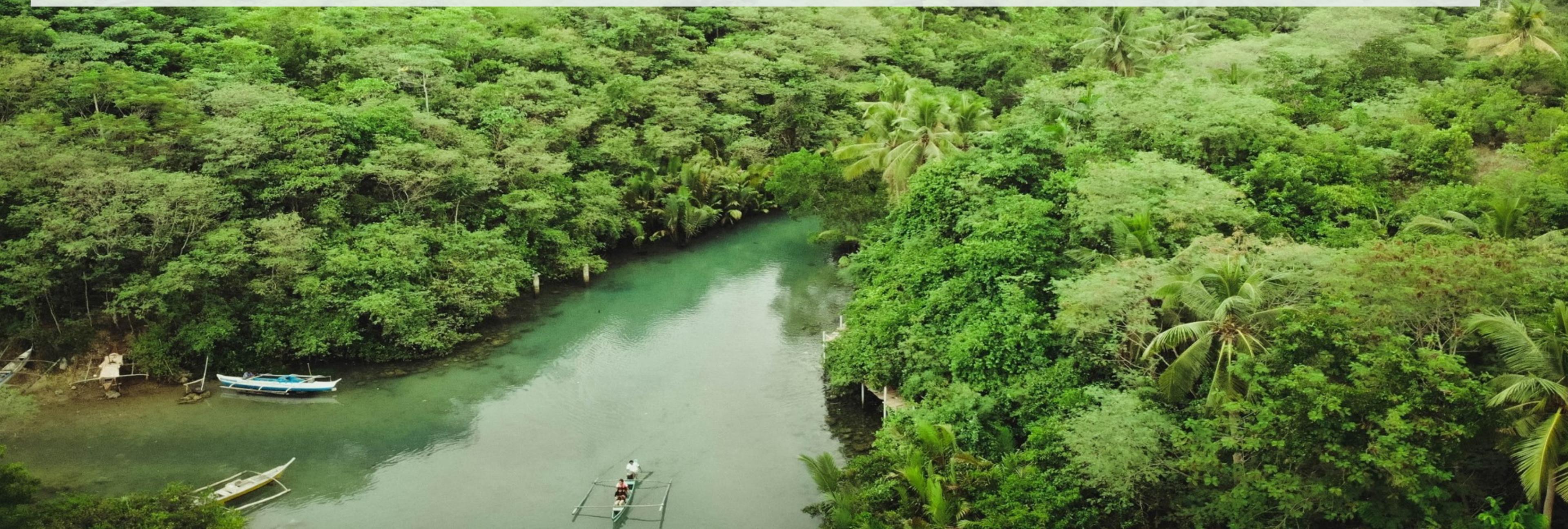
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Recycle for Trees

Q4 Report 2023 - 1,000 Seedlings





Recycle For Trees Project Updates

Location: Barangay Luca, Balamban

Estimated Area Covered: 1.25 hectares

Seedlings Planted: 1,000 seedlings

Species: Nangka, Guyabano

Partner Farmers: 1 Farmer (LUCA FARMERS
MULTI-PURPOSE ASSOCIATION)

Survival Rate: 90%

Estimated Carbon Sequestered: 22,000kg/year

Justification for Selecting Guyabano Seedlings in Farming Initiatives

The selection of Guyabano seedlings is based on practical considerations: compatibility with the land, sustainability, and farmer interests. This approach aims to support farmers economically while preserving the environment.

1. Land Compatibility

Assessment: Prior to the commencement of planting activities, rigorous evaluations are conducted to ascertain the suitability of Guyabano seedlings to the local terrain and soil conditions. This preliminary step is essential to maximize yield potential and mitigate risks associated with unsuitable environmental factors.

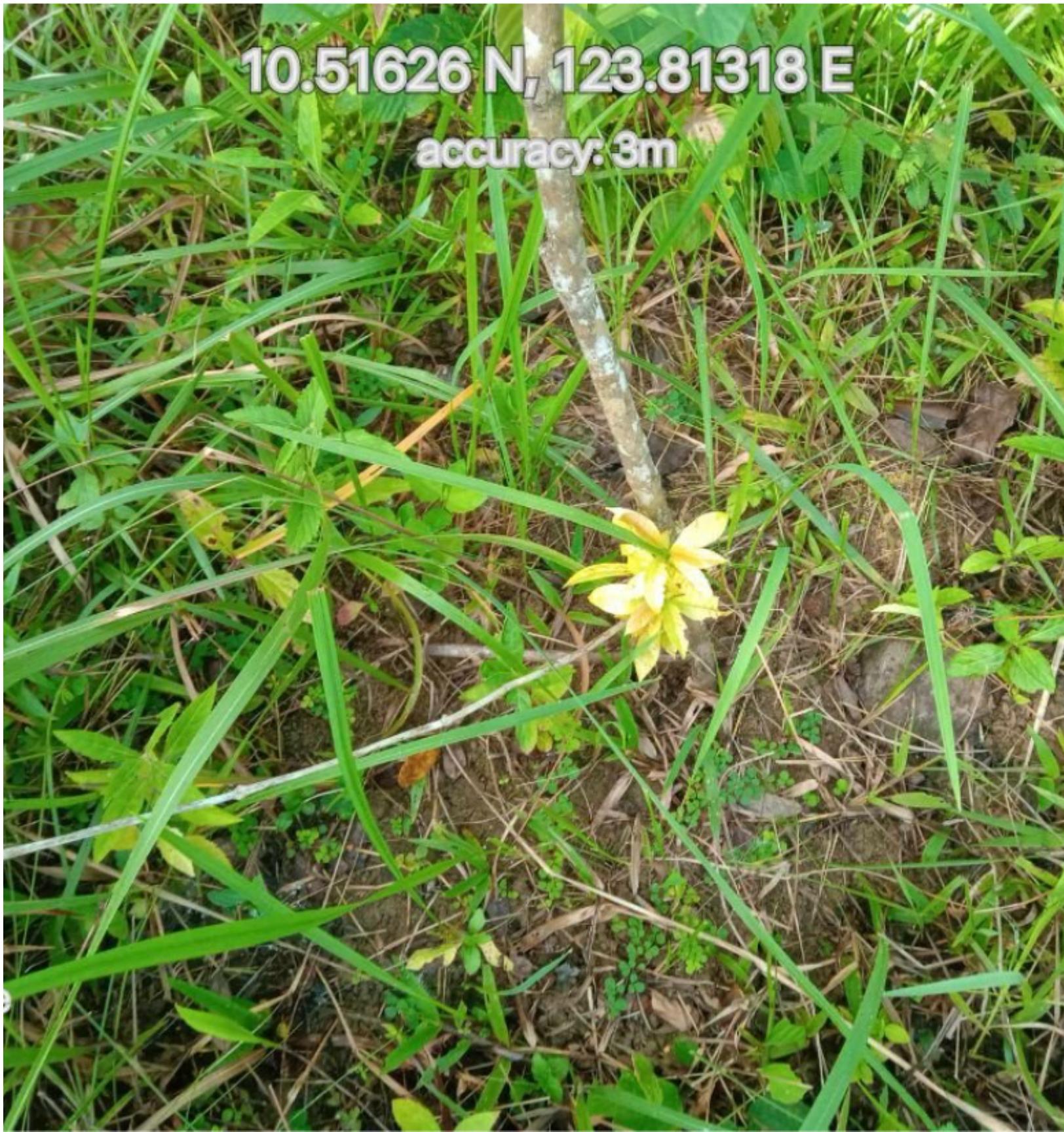
2. Sustainability Considerations: A core tenet guiding our selection process is the imperative of sustainability. Beyond mere agricultural output, emphasis is placed on fostering long-term viability wherein farmers can derive sustainable income streams. This entails a holistic approach encompassing environmental conservation, economic viability, and social equity.



3. Farmer-Centric Approach: Recognizing the intrinsic connection between farmers and their land, our decision-making process prioritizes the interests and aspirations of local agricultural practitioners. By aligning cultivation efforts with their preferences and economic needs, we foster a sense of ownership and empowerment among farmers, thereby engendering sustained commitment to the cultivation and preservation of Guyabano orchards.



Project Photos







FARMER SPOTLIGHT

We are thankful with RAFI and Smart Recycle for the tree growing engagement because through this, our family was able to use the incentives for the house repair, and additional support for our piggery. We promise to continue take care of the trees planted for our family and the whole community.

TEOFILA MONTEJO
Member, Luca Farmers Multipurpose Association
Smart Recycle Tree Growing Project

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RAFI One To Tree with People's Organization

People's organizations (PO) like Luca Farmers Multi-Purpose Association are strategic partners in the success of every tree growing initiative. Farmers and PO leaders are actively involved in the farm/site planning, nursery management and seeding production, site preparation and plantation establishment, and maintenance and monitoring of the site, among other activities. The tree growing initiatives provide augmented income to support the livelihood of the farmers.

In 2022, the RAFI OTT program engaged and supported 409 farmers through its tree growing initiatives and planted and maintained 2.5M seedlings.



Actual Photo of the Planting Site for Smart Recycle PH and Partners

Our People's Organization: Luca Farmers Multi-Purpose Organization

Meet Teofila Montejo and her husband, dedicated stewards entrusted with the nurturing and growth of 1,000 seedlings on behalf of Smart Recycle PH and their esteemed partners. Demonstrating remarkable commitment, they oversee the care and monitoring of these saplings, ensuring their flourishing development.

With an inspiring vision, RAFI One To Tree extends their reach, empowering each set of 1-2 farmers to responsibly tend to a bountiful cluster of 5,000 seedlings, enriching both the environment and the community.

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