

How to make my tea farm more sustainable?



- for smallholders in Vietnam -



Soil erosion control



▲ Soil erosion due to slope or herbicide application

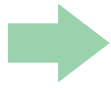


▲ Protect the soil by keeping vegetative ground cover. Weed manually and avoid herbicide application.

Wildlife protection



▲ Do not hunt wild animals.



▲ Your farm should be a good and safe habitat for wild animals.

Buffer zones



▲ Tea should not be next to the public road, water sources or housing areas.



▲ Set up "No-spray zones" or vegetative barriers between the tea and the area to be protected.

Protective clothing



▲ Chemical application without protection damages your health.



◀ Wear the following:

- Hat
- Mask with chemical filter
- Goggles
- Long sleeves
- Apron
- Gloves
- Boots

Chemical storage



▲ Do not store chemicals in the house



▲ Examples of small chemical store made of a metal drum. It should be locked with a key. Do not put it directly under the sun.



Waste management



▲ Do not burn wastes



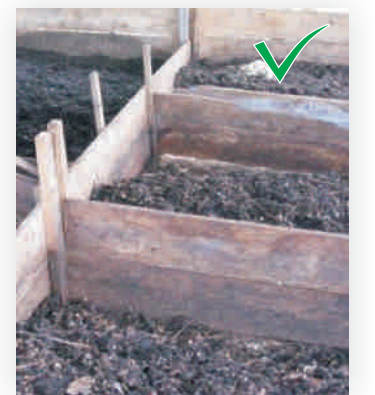
▲ Do not throw away wastes



▲ Do not throw away chemical containers



▲ Separate organic waste and non-organic waste.



Compost organic waste. For non-organic waste, ask the group administrator for the best management in your area.

Recordkeeping

Ngày bón	Loại phân	Số lượng phân (Kg)	Thành tiền (VNĐ)
6/2/11	phân hữu cơ	225	540.000
10/3/11	SA	200	1.360.000
7/5/11	phân hữu cơ	2.000	4.800.000
10/6/11	Lân ure	300	960.000
		300	2.940.000

Keep records of the following:

- Fertilizer application (date, product, quantity)
- Chemical application (date, product, quantity)
- Paid workers (date, number, salary)
- Green leaves harvested (quantity)

