Country Visited: Philippines

Dates of Travel: 30 July – 3 August, 2011

Travelers Names and Affiliations: Engkus Kuswara and Widyastama Cahyana of FIELD Indonesia

Purpose of Trip:
To attend the Annual Meeting and Planning Workshop – IPM CRSP Southeast Asia Regional Program

Sites Visited: Los Banos, Laguna

Description of Activities/Observations:
The workshop was conducted on 2-3 August 2011. The activity of the workshop consisted of presentation and discussion on countries progress and also sharing experiences from other partners, as below:

Cahyana and Engkus meet with Dr. Shepard and Dr. Carner from Clemson University for discussion of field plots in West Sumatera and plan for coming season of field studies.

- Opening
  - Keynote speech from UP Los Banos, USAID Philippines and USAID Indonesia
  - Experience sharing from SANDREM CRSP in the Philippines
  - Introduction to workshop and overview of Southeast Asia Regional Project

- Presentations:
  - Research at Clemson on fungal pathogens of fruit crops
  - Improving communication within the project
  - Program accomplishment and plan for next year: IPB, UNSRAT, FIELD, UPLB, Philrice, and Cambodia

Cahyana presented results of FIELD activities in North Sumatera and West Sumatera.

- Sharing experiences:
  - Biology of Hemiptarsenus varicornis, parasitoid of leafminer (UNAND, West Sumatera)
  - Vascular dieback disease of cocoa in Indonesia
  - Special Session on Trichoderma:
    - Trichoderma research in Cambodia
    - Trichoderma use in Indonesia
- Programs with Trichoderma at Philrice
- Development of Trichoderma at UPLB

- Global Theme Activities in South East Asia
  - Impact Assessment
  - Gender Knowledge and Application