

Meet held on energy projects upcountry

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Representatives from more than 10 communities in the provinces recently received technical trainings from international renowned experts to learn how to implement sustainable energy projects at a conference in Bangkok.

"The 3rd Community-Based Renewable Energy Conference supports communities in developing their energy usage in a self-sustaining manner", said Roya Juntaratana, Inspector General, Ministry of Energy (MoEN) in his opening remarks.

Juntaratana said cooperation between MoEN and the Deutsche Gesellschaft Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH has facilitated the development of appropriate com-



munity-based business models and renewable energy action plans for Thai communities.

"Access to sustainable energy sources to its entire people is a key matter for Thailand particularly to communities. This conference enables dialogue and knowledge sharing between communities and technology providers in order to develop the adoption of renewable energy as a sustainable energy source in Thailand," said Thomas Chrometzka, Director Renewable Energy with GIZ Thailand.

GIZ and MoEN support the communities with technical advice especially with designing suitable community-based business models that are necessary to trigger investments in projects on the ground.