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Ten elementary education officials completed six-months' training in Thailand, seven in supervision and three in testing (AP TT 1-007 and PIOPs 10278CE and 1029CE). Participant evaluative reports being translated by HRDD/PT will be jointly considered with EDU to review plans to train an additional fifteen in supervision and five in testing.

The CEA/P visited the training course in Luang Prabang for instructors who will staff CREC teacher workshops in July. The primary objective is to help teachers to improve instruction in Lao Language, Arithmetic, and Science. The PSI/LP and his deputy managed the workshop well although he had to make adjustments in time, agenda, and teaching personnel. Having representatives from the Teacher Training Center in the course marked another effort by MOE to develop closer working relationships between TT and Primary Education, particularly in in-service training activities. Proposals for similar courses to be held in Vientiane, Savannakhet, and Pakse will emphasize more demonstration lessons, sample lesson plans, and guides for observing teaching. One of the participants in supervision, mentioned above, will assist with the training course in Vientiane, utilizing materials and experience from the study tour.

Activity Plans were drafted for sixteen training courses for more than 600 first-, second-, and third-year CREC teacher trainees from all provinces. Request for assistance to train an additional 115 refugee teachers from Xiang Khouang is being processed.

Books, charts, posters, and other teaching aids (PO CE 1258), ordered for the elementary curriculum library in the Ministry, were received and are being reviewed to plan use in training courses.