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Education and Social Awareness for Soil Science in General Public

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4. Rationale / Objectives / Description

Soil is a very simple word in our daily life and a very common materials beneath the our foot. However soil science sounds quite strange to the general public. In fact soil science is the very academic and scientific discipline. Therefore people have not paid their concerns to the soil. Many people simply think that soil is the necessary things only for growing plants in agriculture. They do not realize how much soil is important among the natural resources existed in a very close our surroundings.

Soil is the friendly materials that general public must learn and understand for their healthy human life such as gardening, decomposition of organic garbage in soil, children's play with soil etc.

In this connection education for soil science should be penetrated widely in various ways to the public through such as the public media, cartoon and talks.(lectures).

