

## National Taiwan University (NTU) Navotas Field Study

### *Capability-building / Training services*

**Location** : Barangays Tangos and Tanza in Navotas City

**Date** : February 12-17, 2011

**Client** : National Taiwan University (NTU)  
Graduate Institute of Building and Planning

#### Project partners

- NTU Graduate Institute of Building and Planning
- Mamamayang Sama-samang Gabay ng Naaapi (MASAGANA) of Navotas Neighborhood Association
- Samahan ng Maliliit na Mangangalakal ng R.Domingo

#### Funding support

- NTU Graduate Institute of Building and Planning

#### Contract / agreement value

- PHP

#### Project brief

The first project collaboration between TAO-Pilipinas and the National Taiwan University (NTU) was a field study with a group of faculty and students from NTU's Graduate Institute of Building and Planning. Facilitated by TAO-Pilipinas, the group led by Dr. Liang-Chun Chen conducted a short community-based research activity in Pasay City in 2009. (*See related Project 0907.*) TAO's partnership with NTU continued in 2011. Another batch of NTU graduate students, as part of their curriculum in the Graduate Institute of Building and Planning, carried out fieldwork activities in TAO-assisted communities in Navotas City.

From February 12 to 17, 2011, TAO coordinated a series of ocular visits by the NTU team and facilitated interviews with members of two people's organizations in Navotas City, the Samahan ng Maliliit na Mangangalakal ng R.Domingo in Barangay Tangos and the Masagana of Navotas Neighborhood Association in Barangay Tanza. TAO guided the group as they observed the communities' physical and socio-economic conditions and examined community efforts in disaster management. As output of their field study, the NTU team came up with initial design schemes for house improvement and repairs in the areas they visited. The team presented these proposals with the community members for validation during a workshop facilitated by TAO. On their return to Taiwan, the graduate students will further refine the design recommendations in fulfillment of their course completion.

#### Project outputs

- Research study findings



*NTU's Dr. Liang-Chun Chen and his students at Masagana community in Tanza, Navotas City*