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## Farmers' indigenous knowledge to adapt to floods in An Giang province, Vietnam

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This research was carried out to systematize and assess the appropriateness of farmer's indigenous knowledge and their adaptive capacity with floods. The research aimed at providing scientific foundation for proposing solutions to conserve and enhance the effectiveness of valuable indigenous knowledge in reducing vulnerability of people living in flooded areas. The results showed that local people are using several effective indigenous knowledges for coping with floods. However, the valuable indigenous knowledge has not recorded yet, nor documented in written materials for sharing to young generation and communities. Besides, some indigenous practices are not suitable in practice which required reevaluation for current flood adaptation strategies. The research suggests some solutions to conserve the most valuable indigenous knowledge for pro-active adaptation of local people in changing climate.

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