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Summary of Activities

Phuket Marine Biological Center (PMBC) was established under a bilateral agreement between the governments of Thailand and Denmark in 1968. At present, the Center is under the Department of marine and Coastal Resources, Ministry of Resources and Environment. The main objectives of PMBC are to carry out research on marine and coastal resources in the Andaman Sea and Gulf of Thailand, and to educate young generation and public regarding the importance of sustainable uses of natural resources.

The major outputs/outcomes of PMC that relate to ICRI

- The research on coral and reef fish community structure in Thai waters
- Coral reef maps in Thai waters with explanation of reef status
- Coral reef long-term monitoring project
- Coral reef rehabilitation project
- Coral reef survey/conservation training program for young scientists, school teachers, students, volunteers.
- Coral reef sustainable use for diving tourism (Green Fins project)

PMBC finds that the above programs benefit to the coral reef health. Therefore all programs are essential and have to be continued.