

## Capacity Building

### Participatory Geographic Information Systems and Community Planning

3D mapping and GPS instrumentation training in India (April 10-22, 2003):  
A four-person team from the PAFID was invited to the State of Meghalaya, Northeast India to conduct a Participatory Resource Management Planning and GPS Instrumentation training. The PAFID team held an 11-day training course in a Garo village in Tura, Meghalaya. The training design included the use and construction of a 3D-model for participatory spatial planning, introduction to Participatory GIS and building of simple databases and GPS data capture and processing. The training was attended by 27 participants representing both Government and Non-Government Organizations in Northeast India; these included delegates from the Indigenous Peoples from the regions of Mizoram, Nagaland, Assam and Meghalaya. Also present were representatives of NGOs from the Chitaggong Hill Tracts in Bangladesh. The training was co-sponsored by the International center for Mountain Development (ICIMOD) which is based in Nepal and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). The PAFID training team was composed of Mr. Niko Caslangan; Ms. Kail Zingapan; Engr. Randy Abeto, and Dave De Vera who acted as over-all training Coordinator.



*3D-model being coded w/ land-uses; photo of participants in training; village chief of Sasatgre, Tura.*