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Lisu villager Itsama Tamee told The Nation that she was happy that they would no longer need to walk 10 kilometres to access water.

"From now on, I can be sure that I will have more than enough water to use in my household and for my farming," she said, commenting about the system that replaced the old, unreliable and poorer-built tap-water system.

Many locals, including the school-children, expressed similar opinions about how the project would benefit the community, such as by functioning as a more efficient and sustainable water-supply network for agriculture and livestock.

The construction was jointly organised by Boon Rawd Brewery's Singha Asa volunteers group, the Phraya Bhirom Bhakdi Foundation and Mae Fah Luang University.

Besides the Dusit Technical Border Patrol Police School, the project will also soon equip another 17 remote schools under the Border Patrol Police's care with pipeline distribution systems.

These 18 Chiang Rai schools are all part of the HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn-initiated rural children and youth development project, which also includes activities like growing vegetables and raising animals for school lunches.

Construction of the new water system at Huai Chom Phu took three days to complete at the end of last month and was partaken in by over 50 volunteers, most of them Mae Fah Luang University students.

In order to create a shorter path for water from the high mountain to the school and village below, the volunteers diligently lined up and installed the PVC pipes, while also crosschecking for any flaws in the pipework.

A Mae Fah Luang student from Greece, Stella Gkovesi, said she was excit-

