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In celebration of World Food Day, the Climate Change Commission (CCC) reiterated its call to improve food systems by adopting innovative solutions that would make them more resistant to economic shocks brought by the coronavirus pandemic. In a statement, the CCC said preserving access to safe and nutritious food was and would continue to be an essential part of the response to the pandemic, particularly for poor and vulnerable communities, which are hit hardest by the health crisis. It cited the Department of Agriculture's "Plant, Plant, Plant" program and the Adaptation and Mitigation Initiatives in Agriculture (AMIA), "which promote integrated farming systems, in addition to the adoption of other climate change adaptation measures, and have shown positive impacts to communities during the pandemic." Examples of AMIA village interventions include a greenhouse for vegetable seedling production, mechanical harvester for rice and automatic artificial incubator for chicken eggs. AMIA villages also source additional income from vegetable gardens and livestock while waiting for their main crop to mature or during a fishing lull.