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Longan growers in northern Thailand have successfully sold 10 tons of peeled, dehydrated organic longan, the first lot of pesticide-free dried longan shipped from the country.

The fruit has been exported mainly to Singapore and some local organic shops that are willing to pay high prices for peeled, dried organic longan.

The cluster was formed last year with the support of German Technical Cooperation (GTZ) and the Institute of Product Quality and Standardization of Maejo University, which aims to open niche markets and promote sustainable growth for longan growers.