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INTENSIFIED RICE-BASED AGRIBIOSYSTEMS (IRBAS) PROGRAM

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Executive Summary

PhilRice has actively promoted the Palayamanan System - a diversified integrated rice-based farming system focusing on small-scale rice farming households directed towards farm diversification to increase farm productivity and address food security.

The Palayamanan System is recently upgraded into Palayamanan Plus - a farming systems model that consolidates small farm holders into a large-scale intensified rice-based agri-bio systems aiming at increasing income and profitability in the rice environments through purposive integration and diversification of certain farming components to achieve higher level of intensification and allow higher crop productivity, enhanced resource use efficiency, and value-adding.

The Palayamanan Plus model will spin-off rural agribusinesses or industries that can create employment and income-generating opportunities in the rice farming communities. This project aims to attain an average gross income of Php 1M per hectare per year.

I. Optimized production of different mushroom species using rice-based biomass

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The country produced about 14.0M metric tons of rice straw and 3.0M metric tons of rice hull calculated based on the 14.0M metric tons of paddy rice production in 2004. Bulk of the rice biomass produced is still being disposed indiscriminately despite the many known benefits. Recycling rice straw as mushroom growing substrates can be economically profitable for farmers as well as in agriculture in general.

Mushroom has been part of human diet since time immemorial. It is becoming popular as culinary ingredient and as nutraceutical food because of its medical and health benefits. Mushroom can be grown anywhere as long as the conditions for their growth and cultivation are provided.

Mushroom production in the Philippines is still a backyard undertaking as compared to our neighboring countries like China, Taiwan, Vietnam, Indonesia and Thailand. The availability of abundant biomass resources like rice straw as substrates in the production of mushroom and new technologies open up opportunities for the development of commercial scale production in the Philippines.

This study aimed to enhance the efficiency of rice-based substrates on the production of different mushroom species.

Highlights:

- In order to create a sustainable system of rice-based mushroom production, rice hull was used as fuel for pasteurization of mushroom fruiting bags using the existing PhilRice Continuous Rice Hull Carbonizer (Figure 1).
 - The length of pasteurization was determined by trial. Six (6), five (5) and four (4) hours pasteurization period was tested for efficiency of pasteurization without sacrificing the quality. Fruiting bag quantity, fuel usage, by-product, date of inoculation until total ramification were listed in Table 1. Results showed that efficiency was comparable in all treatments.
- The volume of rice hull used as fuel decreased as time for pasteurization was shortened from 86.7kg at 6 hours to 55.7kg at 4 hours.
- Production constraints were documented in order to improve the system. Mushroom culture requires clean and appropriate environment thus, proper aseptic technique must be observed at all times. Figures 2 to 5 shows the encountered contaminants in mushroom production.



Figure 1. Continuous Rice Hull Carbonizer converted into mushroom pasteurizer.

Table 1. Comparison	of pasteurization	period of	mushroom	fruiting bags.
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Time (hours)	No. of Fruiting Bags	Contamination Rate (%)	Yield (Kg)
6	100	10	11.3
5	100	10	11.7
4	100	7	13.7



Figure 2. Contaminated Pure Cultures



Figure 3. Contaminated Grain Spawns



Figure 4. Contaminated Fruiting Bags

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Figure 5. Malformed Fruiting bodies

II. IRBAS PhilRice Agusan

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The enterprise was established within the PhilRice Agusan seed production area alongside the proposed duck shed located a few meters away at the back of the Training Building. The duck shed has been strategically placed near the seed production area hence, manageably convenient and accessible.

Highlights:

- One hundred forty eight kilogram and thirty seven (148.37) oyster mushroom were harvested from June to December with Php 18,780 gross income at Php 120/kg farm gate price.
- Rice-duck production have a gross income of Php 787,410 per hectare from the sales of 16,452kg rice seeds, 238 heads ducks, 416 pcs fresh eggs, 452 pcs salted eggs and inventory price of 578 heads ducks in January to June.
- Vermiculture production (Jan-June) produced 206kg vermicast, 1,900kg vermicompost and 8kg vermin worms with Php 14,273 gross income.
- The station also engaged in swine production from September to December.

III. IRBAS PhilRice Isabela

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Highlights:

- The rice seed production component attained a gross income of Php 560,711 consisting of Foundation Seeds (Php 448 300), Registered Seeds (Php 57 800), Certified Seeds (Php 35,360), and Commercial Seeds (Php 19 251).
- Mungbean was planted as relay crop to rice to maximize land use and to make the fallow productive. The mungbean enterprises yielded 460kgs giving Php 28,852 gross income.
- Oyster mushroom production was established beside the vermicomposting facility. Separate house was constructed for this component. Fruiting bags were made dominantly from rice straw. In the initial establishment, 400 fruiting bags were made that yielded 41 kilograms mushroom. Milky mushroom is a new species introduced in the locality. The technology for the production of the said mushroom is not yet perfected. However, it is still pursued as component because of its potential to create demand.

IV. IRBAS PhilRice Midsayap

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In 2014, the station was able to establish the 3 enterprises as planned; the mushroom, rice-based intensification and organic fertilizer enterprises (Figure 1).

Highlights:

Mushroom Enterprise

- Produced 40kg of of fresh oyster mushroom (600kg target)
- Produced 80kg of fresh paddy straw mushroom (1,080kg target)
- Produced 700 packs of spawn for oyster mushroom (600 packs target)

Vermicompost Production Enterprise

- Produced 2,800kg of vermicast (2,800kg target)
- Produced 7,200kg of vermicompost (7,200kg target)

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• Produced 100kg of ANC (100kg target)

Rice Intensification Enterprise

• 18.85 tons (4.81t/ha) of registered seeds [(DS & WS), 5.86t/ha target]

Non-rice crops

- Produced 29kg of Sesame seeds (25kg target)
- Produced 555.76kg Okra (960kg target)
- Produced 269.16kg string beans (1250kg target)
- Ampalaya 177.58kg Ampalaya (19,000kg target)



Figure 6. Mushroom set-up (above); rice-based intensification (middle) and organic fertilizer production (below).

V. IRBAS PhilRice CES

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Rice production area in CES consist of 100 hectares for seed production and research aimed to intensify by planting short duration crops like mungbean after harvest. It aims to increase income and profitability in the rice environments through purposive integration and diversification of certain farming components to achieve higher level of intensification and allow higher crop productivity, enhanced resource use efficiency, and value-adding. The Palayamanan Plus model in CES initially started with rice and other crop production, mushroom production, rice-duck system, vermiculture and machine rental. Mushroom component established on April, vermiculture production on January while Sorjan System and livestock component like rice-duck system and chicken production started July 2014.

Highlights:

- Eight hundred seventy five (875) kilogram oyster mushroom were harvested from the 10,284 fruiting bags produced from April to December with Php 105,000 gross income at Php 120/kg farm gate price. The production cost was Php 36,561.36 giving a net income of Php 68,438.64 or 65% ROI. Pure culture of 4 mushroom species like Pleurotus florida, Ganoderma spp, Volvariella volvaceae, Calocybe indica are currently maintained at PhilRice CES Mushroom Center. The center has catered several trainings to farmers from Aurora, Bulacan and Pampanga as well as PhilRice staff and walk-in visitors.
- One hectare rice-duck system was established with 500 heads/ ha mallard ducks. NSIC Rc202H, NSIC Rc240, NSIC Rc298 and Korean variety Milyang 23 were planted and yielded 4.43 t/ha. Harvested 219 heads mallard ducks at heading stage. Four hundred heads (July-258 heads and Sept-203) from IRBAS and rice-duck experiment (CCP-06-04) were stocked for egg production.
- Acquired 100 heads day old sasso chicks with 1% mortality rate and had 385 grams average live weight after 36 days (October to November).
- Established 1,235m² sorjan system with 8 beds measured 90 m2, 515.2m² pond size and 105.9m dike size planted with upland kangkong with 69kg average yield/bed; tomato, pepper and eggplant. Pond integrated with 1700 tilapia fingerlings, dike planted with bushbean and gabi at 0.3m distance along canals.

- Rice-vegetable sorjan design during wet season established with 6 beds planted with upland kangkong, pechay, kale and mustard, tomato, pepper and eggplant. Korean rice variety Dasanbyeo was used. 1000 pcs tilapia fingerlings were released and harvested 67.8%. Vegetables did not grow thus the design needs drainage to be improved.
- Seventeen hectares rice area after harvest in WS planted with 340kg mungbean for green manure. Corn planted after WS rice produced 490kg green cobs from 1000m².
- Vermiculture production (Jan-Dec) produced 32,672kg vermicast, 6,534kg vermicompost and 1,050kg African night crawler with Php 730,384 gross income.
- Market scanning at Science City, Munoz, San Jose City and Cabanatuan City was conducted in wet markets and supermarket for mushroom and upland kangkong. Most supermarkets needed a product demonstration.
- Partnership with Philippine Carabao Center (PCC) was established through MOA signing for carabao modules for PhilRice CES and branch stations livestock component.
- Limited resources, weather conditions, contaminations of fruiting bags, limited capacity of pasteuriser, late delivery of supplies, housing and predators, high duck mortality rate are challenges arise from first year of implementation.



Figure 7. Mushroom production at PhilRice CES, April to November 2014.

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Figure 8. Mallard ducklings in the duck house in rice-duck system (left) and sorjan system (right) PhilRice CES, 2014WS.

VI. PalayBangon for the Typhoon Stuck Communities (IRB-013)

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- Assorted vegetable seeds and fertilizers were provided to the different communities in Samar and Leyte good for 20 hectare community food garden.
 - Forty two training participants from University of Eastern Philippines (UEP and 43 participants from Visayas State University (VSU) who have not yet attended rice production training courses participated in the Training on Rice and Ricebased Technologies for Areas Affected by Typhoon Yolanda held on May 1 to 8, 2014 at the Farmers' Training Center, UEP, Catarman, Northern Samar and May 20 to 27 at VSU, Baybay City, Leyte. The training aimed to enhance the knowledge and skills of the graduates of agriculture related course on the new and relevant techniques in rice and rice-based technologies using the PalayCheck System and Palayamanan Plus.
- The topics included in the course content were presented through participatory lectures, discussions, demonstration, and actual field exercises.
- Initial talk with the Provincial Agriculturist and EVIARC was conducted for the establishment of seed multiplication and sharing for rice and vegetables in the communities.

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		D. Apura	N. Embero	A. Amascual		N. Sultan			M. Terora	E. Mora	R. Tampil			person	Responsible

 Table 2. Resource distribution in Leyte

Abbreviations and acronymns

ABA – Abscicic acid Ac – anther culture AC – amylose content AESA – Agro-ecosystems Analysis AEW – agricultural extension workers AG – anaerobic germination AIS – Agricultural Information System ANOVA - analysis of variance AON – advance observation nursery AT – agricultural technologist AYT – advanced yield trial BCA - biological control agent BLB - bacterial leaf blight BLS – bacterial leaf streak BPH – brown planthopper Bo - boron BR - brown rice BSWM - Bureau of Soils and Water Management Ca - Calcium CARP - Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program cav - cavan, usually 50 kg CBFM - community-based forestry management CLSU - Central Luzon State University cm - centimeter CMS - cystoplasmic male sterile CP - protein content CRH - carbonized rice hull CTRHC - continuous-type rice hull carbonizer CT - conventional tillage Cu - copper DA - Department of Agriculture DA-RFU - Department of Agriculture-**Regional Field Units** DAE - days after emergence DAS – days after seeding DAT - days after transplanting DBMS – database management system DDTK - disease diagnostic tool kit DENR - Department of Environment and Natural Resources DH L- double haploid lines DRR – drought recovery rate DS – dry season DSA - diversity and stress adaptation DSR - direct seeded rice DUST - distinctness, uniformity and stability trial DWSR - direct wet-seeded rice EGS - early generation screening EH – early heading

EMBI – effective microorganism-based inoculant EPI – early panicle initiation ET – early tillering FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization Fe – Iron FFA - free fatty acid FFP - farmer's fertilizer practice FFS - farmers' field school FGD – focus group discussion FI - farmer innovator FSSP - Food Staples Self-sufficiency Plan g – gram GAS - golden apple snail GC - gel consistency GIS - geographic information system GHG – greenhouse gas GLH - green leafhopper GPS - global positioning system GQ - grain quality GUI – graphical user interface GWS - genomwide selection GYT - general yield trial h – hour ha – hectare HIP - high inorganic phosphate HPL - hybrid parental line I - intermediate ICIS - International Crop Information System ICT - information and communication technology IMO - indigenous microorganism IF - inorganic fertilizer INGER - International Network for Genetic Evaluation of Rice IP - insect pest IPDTK – insect pest diagnostic tool kit IPM - Integrated Pest Management IRRI – International Rice Research Institute IVC - in vitro culture IVM – in vitro mutagenesis IWM - integrated weed management JICA – Japan International Cooperation Agency K – potassium kg - kilogram KP – knowledge product KSL - knowledge sharing and learning LCC - leaf color chart LDIS - low-cost drip irrigation system LeD – leaf drying LeR – leaf rolling lpa - low phytic acid LGU - local government unit

LSTD – location specific technology development m – meter MAS - marker-assisted selection MAT - Multi-Adaption Trial MC – moisture content MDDST - modified dry direct seeding technique MET – multi-environment trial MFE - male fertile environment MLM - mixed-effects linear model Mg - magnesium Mn - Manganese MDDST - Modified Dry Direct Seeding Technique MOET - minus one element technique MR - moderately resistant MRT – Mobile Rice TeknoKlinik MSE – male-sterile environment MT – minimum tillage mtha-1 - metric ton per hectare MYT – multi-location yield trials N - nitrogen NAFC - National Agricultural and Fishery Council NBS – narrow brown spot NCT – National Cooperative Testing NFA – National Food Authority NGO - non-government organization NE – natural enemies NIL – near isogenic line NM - Nutrient Manager NOPT – Nutrient Omission Plot Technique NR – new reagent NSIC – National Seed Industry Council NSQCS - National Seed Quality Control Services OF – organic fertilizer OFT - on-farm trial OM – organic matter ON - observational nursery OPAg – Office of Provincial Agriculturist OpAPA – Open Academy for Philippine Agriculture P – phosphorus PA - phytic acid PCR – Polymerase chain reaction PDW – plant dry weight PF – participating farmer PFS - PalayCheck field school PhilRice - Philippine Rice Research Institute PhilSCAT - Philippine-Sino Center for Agricultural Technology PHilMech - Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization PCA – principal component analysis

PI – panicle initiation PN - pedigree nursery PRKB – Pinoy Rice Knowledge Bank PTD – participatory technology development PYT – preliminary yield trial QTL – quantitative trait loci R - resistant RBB – rice black bug RCBD – randomized complete block design RDI – regulated deficit irrigation RF – rainfed RP - resource person RPM - revolution per minute RQCS – Rice Quality Classification Software RS4D - Rice Science for Development RSO – rice sufficiency officer RFL - Rainfed lowland RTV - rice tungro virus RTWG – Rice Technical Working Group S – sulfur SACLOB - Sealed Storage Enclosure for Rice Seeds SALT - Sloping Agricultural Land Technology SB – sheath blight SFR - small farm reservoir SME – small-medium enterprise SMS - short message service SN - source nursery SSNM – site-specific nutrient management SSR – simple sequence repeat STK – soil test kit STR – sequence tandem repeat SV – seedling vigor t – ton TCN - testcross nursery TCP – technical cooperation project TGMS – thermo-sensitive genetic male sterile TN - testcross nursery TOT – training of trainers TPR – transplanted rice TRV – traditional variety TSS – total soluble solid UEM – ultra-early maturing UPLB – University of the Philippines Los Baños VSU – Visayas State University WBPH - white-backed planthopper WEPP – water erosion prediction project WHC – water holding capacity WHO - World Health Organization WS – wet season WT – weed tolerance YA – yield advantage Zn – zinc ZT – zero tillage

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