2017 National Rice R&D Highlights

PHILRICE BICOL





PhilRice Bicol

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Executive Summary

PhilRice Bicol was primarily established to develop and disseminate strategies and technologies, which will make rice farming in calamity-vulnerable regions of Bicol and Eastern Visayas more resilient to climate change. Rice productivity was sustained in rice communities within the area by developing, adapting, and sharing technologies to create climate-resilient and sustainable rice production systems. These objectives are achieved through Learning Farm, Palayabangan and Trainings; One Stop Information Shop (OSIS); AgroMet; Palayamanan Plus; Lakbay Palay; Rice Business Innovations System (RiceBIS); and localization of knowledge products and enhancing KSL activities.

Palayabangan and learning fields demonstrated farming practices and newly- released varieties. One Stop Information Shop (OSIS), onstation and satellite OSIS in SUCs and LGUs, were maintained with proper monitoring. Five exhibits were also conducted. Under Palayamanan Plus, book on rice-based farming systems model (PalPlus case Bicol) was drafted; nine mushroom production training were conducted; and a model of enterprise-driven agri-biosystems was established. Lakbay Palay was conducted in October 25 with the theme, "A paraomang nagnenegosyo, asensado!" ("Ang magsasakang nagnenegosyo, asensado!"). There were 366 participants (203 female, 163 male).

Rice Business Innovation System (RiceBIS) project established a pilot site in Brgy. Busay, Ligao City, Albay and formed a cluster of 16 farmers. A 15-ha technology demonstration area was established. Four knowledge products in Bicol Naga dialect were produced. The station's agromet also consolidated weather data available for researchers' use.

Learning Farm, Palayabangan, and Trainings

KR Paliza, DB Bañares, and SM Oxales

This study was conducted to show integrated and diversified rice-based production systems that will provide experiential learning opportunities. It showcased and packaged technology interventions for farmers, trainees, walk-in visitors, and guests. Highlighted technologies included those developed by PhilRice and through the Palayabangan 10-5 Challenge.

In DS 2017, the learning farm showcased Alternate Wetting and Drying (AWD), Rice Crop Manager (RCM), Reduced Tillage Technology (RTT), and Minus One Element Technique. In 2017, it featured the practices of Bayer Crop Science (winner in the DS 2017 Palayabangan), AWD, MOET, and Nutrient Omission Plot Treatment. Rice growth stages were shown in small pails placed in a screen house, which served as specimen during trainings. Practicum area and learning shed were maintained for trainings and field visits.

Two Rice S&T training courses for PhilRice staff, Rice Boot Camp, IT Productivity Seminar, and Data Management and Analysis were conducted in the learning farm. It also provided experiential learning opportunities to OJTs and students.

The Palayabangan 10-5 Challenge, which started in WS 2013 until WS 2017,

provided the venue for private companies, farmers, government, and non-government organizations to showcase their rice production technologies to attain 10t/ha at P5/kg of palay production. Nine private companies and two farmers joined the competition.

Bayer Crop Science produced the highest yield of 8.37t/ha and 6.4t/ha and the lowest production costs of P6.71 and 7.66/kg. The average yield for the dry season was 5.37t/ha and 4.04t/ha in the the wet season. The average production cost was P9.24/kg of palay in the dry season and P11.95/kg of palay in the wet season.

Promoting Rice R4D Through One-Stop Information Shop (OSIS)

RT Dollentas and MC Nayve

given timely access to information. The establishment of OSIS also opens new learning opportunities for agricultural extension workers and strengthen their linkage with PhilRice. Partnerships with other government agencies, farmers, and state universities and colleges in Bicol Region and in Samar and Leyte were also strengthened through OSIS establishment.

Through OSIS, farmers and agricultural extension workers were

Agromet Bicol

JG Tallada, JP Quierra, and GC Nuñez

Weather monitoring is important in farm management, decision-making, and planning. Correct weather forecasting and reliable weather instrument help improve agricultural activities leading to better yield and profit in agriculture. PhilRice Bicol maintain the operation of Automatic Weather Station (AWS) and collate data on ultraviolet index, wind speed, leaf wetness, air temperature, air pressure, wind direction, air humidity, solar radiation, minimum temperature, and maximum temperature.

January and February were the coolest months with an average maximum temperature of 27.340C and 27.460C, respectively. Warm month starts in April until November with an average maximum temperature ranging 29.82-32.470C. Hottest month was in June with a temperature of 32.70C. Highest and lowest minimum temperature was recorded at 26.530C and 22.980C, respectively. Speed of wind was higher in January (4.85 kph), February (4.39 kph), and November (3.82 kph) at East North East direction. Wind direction is at South East from June to October. Wind speed became weak ranging 1.01kph-2.13kph from April to October. High relative humidity was also noted ranging 85.47-91.26 %. The national range varies from 71% to 85%.

The recorded solar radiation ranged from 150.53 to 485.29 w/m2. Highest UV index, leaf wetness, and air pressure were recorded at 2.66 (November), 0.51 (January), and 1023.90 hpa (April).

Development, Establishment, and Assessment of Palayamanan Plus Model for PhilRice Bicol

GC De Peralta, MAC De Peralta, and GH Morente

PhilRice Bicol established and implemented the Palayamanan Plus project from 2014 to 2017 with seven rice and rice-based components: rice and rice seed production, vermicomposting, oyster mushroom production, duck egg production, azolla, tilapia, and vegetable production. Among the components, rice-rice production attained the highest gross margin. Lack of facilities and equipment for mushroom production has led to development of new techniques and innovations. Innovations that worked in oyster mushroom production included the use of rubber band to close the fruiting bag, which is easier, cost-reducing, and effective in reducing contamination and moisture loss. Pasteurization for 4-5 hours using plastic cover to seal and prevent steam from escaping and pasteurization using the steam-sharing pasteurization technique can also be used to conserve excess steam from the main pasteurizing drum.

Lakbay Palay PhilRice Bicol

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The station conducted its Lakbay Palay on October 25. It aimed to increase the awareness of participants on rice and rice-based innovations. With the theme, "An paraomang nagnenegosyo, asensado!" ("Ang magsasakang nagnenegosyo, asensado!"), it specifically intended to showcase the station's R&D projects and technologies and launch the RiceBIS Community Program. The activity was attended by 366 participants (203 female, 163 male). Palayamanan/edible landscaping, learning center/varietal demo, Palayabangan 10-5 challenge, and farm machineries were shown to the Bicolano farmers and partner-organizations. Evaluation showed that the participants were "satisfied" of each of the program's component: over-all coordination and organization, field tour, showcased farming technologies, open forum, and knowledge products.

RiceBIS was launched, and a taste test on brown, black, and red rice varieties was conducted during the program. Evaluation showed that 90%, 88%, and 85% of the participants were satisfied and enjoyed these varieties, respectively.

Development of Rice Business Innovation Systems (RiceBIS) Community in Bicol Region

VC Lapitan, MAC De Peralta, GC De Peralta, SM Oxales, MC Nayve, GCC Enot, ARS Rivera, and KR Paliza

The Rice Business Innovation Systems (RiceBIS) Community Program was implemented in Bicol Region in 2017. It aimed to monitor, establish, and evaluate a RiceBIS community that would serve as a farmers' support system in carrying out rice-based enterprises. Specifically, the project aimed to implement a social mobilization and communication strategy to increase awareness, interest, and participation of target communities; organize and develop the technical and organizational capability of farmers and other stakeholders in support of the rice-based enterprise plan; examine the existing rice value chain including the production practices, needs, markets, partners, and opportunities in the communities; develop and implement rice and rice-based enterprise investment portfolio; establish a monitoring and evaluation system; and develop a built-in sustainability mechanism for the identified rice-based enterprises.

Partnership Building, Site Selection, and Cluster Formation

For Phase I, Brgy. Busay in Ligao City, Albay was identified as the pilot site.

Baseline survey for WS 2016 and DS 2017 of all RiceBIS farmer participants (16 farmers) and non-participants (16 farmers) was conducted while the WS 2016 baseline data in the web-based system was encoded.

Campaigns and Mind setting

PhilRice Bicol conducted series of briefings to partner agencies (City Agriculture Office-Ligao and DA RFO 5) to orient them about the purpose, possible impact of the project in the identified community, and the counter parting or support to the project. The farmers were also oriented on agripreneurship in an attempt to change their perception, attitude, and practices in this farm endeavor.

A RiceBIS briefer in Bicol-Naga dialect titled, "Papano ta matatabangan an mga Paraoma?" was also produced.

Establishment of Techno Demo

A technology demonstration of 15ha was established during WS 2017 at Brgy. Busay, Ligao City, Albay. NSIC Rc222 seeds (2 bags at 40 kg/bag per 1-hectare area) and fertilizer (complete and urea) were provided to the farmer-cooperators. PalayCheck recommendations and Minus One Element Technique-based fertilizer application were introduced to the farmer-cooperators.

Weekly monitoring of the techno demo area was conducted to ensure readiness of participants during regular activities in the field. Rice combine harvester was shown during harvesting.

Capacity Enhancement

Season-long training on rice production based on the PalayCheck System was conducted to 16 farmer-cooperators. Schedule of the training coincided with farm activities or crop growth stages.

Localization of Knowledge Products and Enhancing the KSL Activities *Kristine R. Paliza and Marino C. Nayve*

Four knowledge products in Naga dialect was produced under the study: Alternate Wetting and Drying, Integrated Nutrient Management, Leaf Color Chart, and RiceBIS brochure. The localization of materials was based on demands relayed in the PhilRice Text Center.

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KSL activities for Be Riceponsible and Ready SET (Save Rice, Eat Healthy, and Try Brown Rice) Rice campaign were conducted during the National Rice Awareness Month.

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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

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 RFI – 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



We are a government corporate entity (Classification E) under the Department of Agriculture. We were created through Executive Order 1061 on 5 November 1985 (as amended) to help develop high-yielding and cost-reducing technologies so farmers can produce enough rice for all Filipinos.

With a "Rice-Secure Philippines" vision, we want the Filipino rice farmers and the Philippine rice industry to be competitive through research for development in our central and seven branch stations, coordinating with a network that comprises 59 agencies strategically located nationwide.

We have the following certifications: ISO 9001:2008 (Quality Management), ISO 14001:2004 (Environmental Management), and OHSAS 18001:2007 (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series).

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