2017 National Rice R&D Highlights

INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIVISION





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Executive Summary

Rice production data, information, technological knowledge, innovations, and models are PhilRice resources that should be accessible by the users anytime. Using ICTs, standard procedures, good practices, policies, and information systems infrastructure encourage PhilRice clients to transact with the Institute regardless of time and their location.

The Information Systems Division (ISD) develops and improves Agricultural Information Systems (AgIS) for rice research and development and the Management Information Systems (MIS) for corporate services to deliver more stable, accurate, and timely information support. Development and improvement strategy is based on using man-to-machine and machineto-machine concepts of operations (M2M2). It integrates multiple information technologies into unified system to provide timely services whenever and wherever needed.

These information systems infrastructures are being developed internally and/or in collaboration with other agencies or divisions to pool the resources and increase input efficiency. As mainstream infrastructure, AgIS assists PhilRice clients, researchers, and other rice stakeholders in collecting, transmitting, storing, analyzing and sharing rice-related data and information. The MIS helps in the administrative processes, including financial, human resource, material, and other PhilRice resource management processes.

ISD also provides technical services and helps in capacity-building. It also acquires, sustains, and maintains the systems and applications to safeguard their authenticity, availability, and security.

I. Business Continuity

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Business continuity or business continuity planning is the development of methods to prevent or recover from potential threats that may disrupt business process. With everyone having access to the institute ICT resources, security is very crucial for protection. With all the data that the Institute have accumulated throughout the years, valuable information were created and these are part of the Institute's assets. Hence, these assets must be saved and secured.

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Adoption of new technologies comes with a price. Useful life of an IT equipment is set at five years. Repair and maintenance extends its life to more than five years. There are more than 400 computers in the Central Experiment Station and branch stations.

The project focused on the capacity enhancement of staff. This requires availability and access to current scientific and technical literature, as well as related fields covered by PhilRice research and development. Access and continuous upgrading of printed, web, and IT resources and infrastructure to support service on a 24/7 access basis is essential.

ICT Security, Connectivity, Viability, and Disaster Recovery for Resiliency (DIREC) (Including System Administration)

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ICT security is a crucial issue with the increase of information shared online and access to the Institute's ICT resources. The ICT infrastructure must be secured against external and internal threats. Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP) must be established to prepare, respond, and recover before and after disaster.

The main focus of this document is to provide a plan to respond to a disaster that may damage PhilRice computer systems. This plan is designed to fast track the recovery when disaster occurs. The DRP of PhilRice ICT was updated to include the new threats, solutions, and best practices. Procedures were crafted to guide the technical team in responding to disaster effectively and efficiently.

Maintenance and Improvement of ICT Infrastructure and Communications Requirements

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The study generally aimed to maintain the capability of the Institute's ICT resources to perform in its optimum capacity thereby providing good user computing experience. This can be done through maintenance of the Institute's ICT infrastructure and assets, making its network highly reliable, and maintaining the systems and databases always near to 100% operational. New applicable technologies are evaluated for adaption.

Library Management

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The Library maintained its main operations including: acquisition of knowledge materials, cataloguing (classifying, descriptive cataloging, metadata) and made these available in its Online Public Access Cataloging (OPAC) Follett Destiny Library Manager for literature searching, indexing of rice and related articles including reprints, searchable in our xCardbox database, outsourcing of articles not available in our databases, harvesting of open and free access publications to populate our digital library, current awareness service promotes up-to-date news, announcements, advisories on information relevant to our researches e. g. daily news monitor, new books, referencing and citation styles. The Library website (http://philrice. gov.ph/libraryweb/), OPAC Follettt DLM ver. 14, and XCardbox underwent continuous upgrading and editing. The library surpassed its targets for all its activities and clippings scanning. Collection was increased to 7,388 OPAC entries; 25,877 indexed articles; and 44,767 pdfs in the Digital Library.

The ICT applications roadshow, "Accessing InfoSmart...Now downloading," was conducted in four branch stations (Los Baños, Negros, Bicol, and Midsayap) with 170 participants from PhilRice, DA agencies, LGUs, SCUs, and other stakeholders. This activity shared the information and knowledge available in the PhilRice information systems for wider access and usage. "Data Privacy Act of 2012 & product demo: PlagScan & Grammarly (plagiarism detection software)" was also conducted as institutional seminar at the Central Experiment Station.

II. Sustainable Enterprise Information System Solutions for PhilRice RD&E Operations *Jayson P. Gamilla*

Information systems (IS) technologies were developed, acquired, and maintained by the Institute since the establishment of its Information and Communication Technology (ICT) arm in 1997. Over the years of the Institute's commitment to rice research and development, the IS manage a sizeable volume of data produced. However, there is a need to sustain and secure the authenticity and completeness of these data.

Currently, data and information on rice-related technologies are scattered among different PhilRice programs, divisions, and stations. The difficulty in obtaining complete information can sometimes be restricted due to different implementing policies. There is a need for an Integrated Information System that allow these data to be accessed, viewed, integrated, analyzed, and shared as needed by all users in one location. GIS technology

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will also be helpful to locate PhilRice presence (project implementations, technology promotions, site-specific information) in an interactive map embedded to the system.

Agricultural Information Systems (AgIS) for Rice Production and Development Works

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The use of information technology (IT) in agriculture has dramatically increased in rice research, extension, and production. The study aimed to develop a responsive, stable and timely information system and processes; integrate multiple information technologies and systems that can assist managers and stakeholders. It also aimed to help the agricultural industry in collecting, transmitting, storing data, and sharing information using the most cost-effective information systems infrastructure.

PhilRice Soil Information System: A Tool for Effective Crop Management

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The Philippine agriculture needs a user-friendly and readily-available data set on soils in achieving national food security. The available soil information in the form of survey reports or other similar publications are limited, too technical, and difficult to understand by farmers, agricultural extension workers, policy-makers/planners, and even technical people in agriculture. Thus, PhilRice shifted from a limited static printed soil survey reports and took advantage of information technology for large data management and wide-spread soil information dissemination.

In this study, IT was used to provide a comprehensive set of soil information in the selection of crops, establishment of appropriate and effective crop management, and enhancement of agricultural productivity.

Corporate Information Systems Development, Management, and Sustainability

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This study helped strengthens PhilRice by improving the existing information systems and developing new information systems to meet the present needs.

The study enhanced existing corporate operational systems and the monitoring and support systems to provide faster transactions, easier access of data, and real-time support for internal and external users. Corporate Systems include: (1) HRIS for Human Resource and Management Office, (2) PDTS and (3) DMS for Records Office, (4) Online Reservation System for Visitors and Conference Services Office, (5) Online Registration System (eTala) and e-raffle system for institute activities, (6) Service Request System (ICT HelpDesk) for Information Systems Division, and (7) PMS for Corporate Services Division.

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

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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 nurserv 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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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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