
Double Cropping On Going!

First(1st) Stakeholders Meeting held last July, was first time to discuss “how to realize double cropping of rice in Mwea Irrigation Scheme” officially. Since that time, RICEMAPP has been taking lead for that.

Double Cropping Trial was planned elaborately by RICEMAPP and other stakeholders including NIB, WUA, MRGM, and financial organizations in the area. Especially for decision of the area for this trial, NIB and WUA contributed very much to the choice of the units.

After the main production season of 2012, farmers in five (5) blocks (M9, M10, M11, W4 and W7) obtained another cropping opportunity. The smooth operation of the field preparation work, financial back up, irrigation water allocation, and others were arranged to support participant farmers.

In spite of unexpected interruption of irrigation water experienced in early stages, rice cultivation has been on going successfully.

Farmers are to start harvesting during this month to early June, 2013.



Healthy growth of rice was observed in M9 block.

New Fellow to the project



After previous coordinator, Mr.Hiromasa SUZUKI left us in June, 2012, we welcomed new Japanese fellow at last! Mr.Katsumi HIKONE, who is well experienced in technical cooperation works in African countries such as Mozambique, Zambia, Zimbabwe, etc was dispatched to RICEMAPP in middle of March, 2013. He is expected to play very important roles in the project.