



## Rice Field Day in Gezira State

**Rice Field Day** at Wad Al Naim demonstration field, Gezira State, was held on 6th November 2013. Approximately 300 people participated in this event. Prof. Elzubair Bashir Taha, Governor of Gezira State, proposed the expansion of rice cultivation to 1,000 farmers in 30,000 feddans within 2 years. The state will prepare 100,000 SDG for establishment of an agricultural cooperative association and 20,000 SDG for extension officers. The state also has a plan to set up Regional Rice Technology Center. Eighteen media (3 TV, 4 radio, 11 newspaper) came to report this event.

The venue of this season's Rice Field Day was Wad Al Naim demonstration field, 4 feddans.



Joint hands toward future. Prof. Elzubair Bashir Taha (Governor of Gezira State, the left) and Mr. Ryoichi Horie (Ambassador of Japan, the right) shook hands at the ceremony of the Rice Field Day.



A tent was prepared by Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture. Approximately 300 people participated in the Field Day.



Mr. Ryoichi Horie (the left) and Prof. Elzubair Bashir Taha (the right) discussed amicably at Governor's Guest House before the ceremony in the field.



From the left above, Prof. Elzubair Bashir, Mr. Ryoichi Horie, Mr. Abdalla Mohamed Osman Mohieldin (Minister of Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture), Mr. Hiroyuki Mori (Chief Representative of JICA Sudan Office) and Mr. Osamu Nakagaki (Chief Advisor of the Project).



The participants looked around exhibition of rice. From the left, Mr. Ali Gadoom El Ghali (Agricultural Technologies Transfer Manager, Central Trading Company), Mr. Hiroyuki Mori (Representative of JICA Sudan Office), Mr. Abdalla Mohamed Osman Mohieldin (Minister of Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture), Mr. Ryoichi Horie (Ambassador of Japan) and Prof. Elzubair Bashir Taha (Governor of Gezira State).





# Joint Hands toward Future

## Exhibition of steps, rice post-harvest processing

After harvesting, a lot of steps are necessary to get a grain of rice. In the Field Day, these steps were demonstrated in front of the participants.

### 1. Harvesting



### 2. Winnowing



### 3. Milling



### 4. Packaging & Storing



Staff of Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture showed some types of rice.



Gezira Promise (NERICA-4), milled rice (the right)



Bran of rice

### Wad Al Naim demonstration field

This is the 2nd season of cultivation of rice for Mr. Bakri Alameen, farmer of Wad Al Naim field. He obtained more than 3360 kg/ha last season 2012. After sowing on 24th June, he implemented proper management in keeping with the important technical points on upland rice cultivation such as land preparation, weeding, irrigation and fertilization with Mr. Mohamed Alsamani, Extension officer. He is a reliable farmer. Mr. Bakri said that very tough job is weeding but good yield is promised if we do weeding properly. He thanks to Mr. Mohamed Alsamani to work with him closely.



Mr. Bakri Alameen had a very fine crop of rice in Wad Al Naim demonstration field.



Mr. Bakri Alameen (the left, farmer of the field) and Mr. Mohammed Alsamani

**After the field day, rice in the site was harvested and measured the yield of this season. It was 3376 kg/ha. Mr. Bakri Alameen is very much convinced that he can produce far more than 3300 kg rice per hectare in next season.**

## Guests enjoyed cookings prepared by Rice

Breakfast was served to the honorary guests at Gezira State Guest House before moving to the field. All cookings were prepared by the Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture. Gezira State Ministry of Agriculture showed the potential and variety of cookings prepared by rice. Not only pilaf, rice aseida, sweets but also juice were also prepared from rice. Guests enjoyed these cookings made by rice very much.



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