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## Rice Field Day in Sennar State

**400 participants attended the Rice Field Day, which was held on 12th November 2014 at Kassab demo farm in Sennar State.** Governor and Deputy Governor of Sennar State, 3 Ministers of Sennar State (Agriculture, Social Affairs and Human Resources), Minister of Gedaref State MoA, Commission of Sennar Locality, Chairman of Farmers Union Sennar State, DGs of MoA (Sennar, Gezira and Gedaref) and Senior Representative of JICA Sudan Office also participated in the Field Day. 11 media (3 TV, 2 radio, 5 newspaper, 1 web news) came to report the event. Firstly, the demonstration of harvesting and milling rice were shown in front of the guests. After the demonstration, guests gave speech to audience. **Governor promised to support development of upland rice, as new crop to replace traditional ones (sorghum, groundnut, etc.) in Sennar state.**



[Left photo] Governor, Minister of Sennar MoA and Project Chief Advisor operated combine harvester.  
[Right top photo] Extensionists and farmers welcomed to Governor.  
[Right bottom photo] Demonstration of post-harvest processing (winnowing) was shown in front of the guests.



Farmers and extensionists handed a bunch of ear of rice to the governor.



The venue of the Field Day. Kassab demo farm was ready to harvest on that day. A lot of farmers of Kassab also gathered.

# Hope and Confidence in Upland Rice

Governor of Sennar State  
 Mr. Ahmed Abbas  
 Minister of Agriculture in Sennar State  
 Dr. Rodwan Mohamed Ahmed Morgan  
 Minister of Agriculture in Gedaref State  
 Prof. Mohamed Osman Mohamed Nour  
 Chief Advisor of the Project  
 Mr. Osamu Nakagaki  
 Senior Representative of JICA Sudan Office  
 Mr. Shigeru Otake  
 GM of MoA, Sennar State  
 Mr. Babikir Osman Mohamed  
 Farmer of Kassab demo farm  
 Mr. Abd Elgadir

(from the left above)



*Let's work together in order to achieve rice self-sufficiency and export to our neighbors countries.*

*Sennar state has high potential to produce upland rice.*

*Upland Rice is suitable for the climate in Sennar State.*

*Upland Rice is better than wheat or kiswa.*

*We need upland rice to replace our traditional crops (Sorghum, Groundnut).*



**FARMERS AND EXTENSIONIST**

2 demo farms adjoin in Kassab (2.5 feddans each). Farmers and a leader of extensionists (the right).



**Gift from Sennar State to JICA and the Project**

Sennar State handed gift to express gratitude for the effort to promote upland rice and transfer the technique to extensionists and farmers.

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