



The Project for Increasing Farmers Households' Incomes through Strengthening Domestic Rice Production in Timor-Leste



Dry Season Cultivation almost finished and started to prepare for Next Rainy Season

Output 1: Cultivation Technics

1. Regular Monitoring Activities

We continued growth monitoring and advised the FFS farmers and extension workers about appropriate harvest timing.



2. Harvest of Dry Season Cultivation

Among FFS farmers, all 25 farmers in Buluto and 40 out of 42 farmers in Maliana



succeeded to harvest their paddies until the end of October.

3. Harvest Training and Yield Components Survey



We conducted harvest training and yield components survey together with extension workers.

4. Preparation for the Coming Rainy Season Cultivation

We discussed next season's plan with MAF municipal offices and were selecting lead farmers for the next FFS.

Next Month Main Activities

Output 1: Prepare for next rainy season cultivation.

Output 2: Facilitate Buluto WUA to draft report on water fee collection, Prepare for main and secondary canal clean up

Output 3: Support CAAKUB and ACELDA's membership program socialization.

Output 4: Follow up NLC's payment, Survey on Surrounding Areas in Buluto.

Output 2: Irrigation Water Management

1. Canal Monitoring

We continued to monitor water level of Buluto and Maliana I irrigation schemes. Water level were increased after some rain in the mountain areas.

2. Buluto Water User Association (WUA)'s Water Fee Collection



We continued to support the Buluto WUA to discuss how to share the collected water fee among WUA and Kabu-we.

Output 3: Distribution and Sales (Private Sector)

1. CAAKUB and ACELDA's Purchase

	CAAKUB	ACELDA
Oct. 20	5.6 tons	0.0 tons
Total	50.1 tons	52.0 tons

We continued to support CAAKUB and ACELDA's paddy purchase activities, and the results are shown as above.

2. CAAKUB's Membership Socialization



Village level meeting

We supported CAAKUB to conduct membership program socialization on October 23, following this, to have village level meeting in 4 villages in Maliana from 26 to 29 October. The purpose of this membership program is to strengthen both quantity and quality of paddies which CAAKUB will purchase. 62 farmers from 4 groups have registered so far.

Output 4: Purchasing and Distribution (Government Sector)

1. NLC's Payment to Farmers in Buluto

We followed up NLC's payment, but unfortunately NLC could not complete payment to the farmers groups in Buluto who sold their paddies to NLC in last August due to incompleteness of internal document.

2. Survey on Surrounding Areas of Maliana I

- 5 Villages
- Puruagua
- Atudare
- Meligou
- Gaulolo
- Memo



Maliana I

We have conducted a survey on 5 villages surrounding Maliana I (red circle) in order to know their rice production and sales conditions, also to share NLC's purchase operation.



Interview with chief extensionist

Output 5: Training and Policies

1. Sharing Project Activities with Farmers from Other Irrigation Scheme



Visited FFS field

Visited CAAKUB'S shipment



4 young farmers from Oebaba Irrigation area visited Maliana I on October 13. We shared our activities and experiences with them, which included FFS, packing and transporting rice to Dili. It is expected that more people are interested and involved in rice business.