Improvement of Rice Cultivation Techniques(for Extension Officers) Continuing 稲作技術向上(普及員) Target Countries : Countries JICA has been or will support in rice cultivation improvement **Course No. :** 201984697-J002 No. : 201984697 Sector : Agricultural Development/Rice Production / Other Cereals / Root Crops Sub-Sector : Language : English Outline This course is mainly designed for extension officers who work in the field of extension of rice cultivation techniques to learn fundamental rice cultivation techniques mainly in lowland and methodologies of extension and experiment. It is a very practical course with more than 60 % of training time allocated to experiments and practices at the field and facilities of JICA Tsukuba. Objective/Outcome Target Organization / Group [Objective] [Target Organization] Capacity and knowledge of participants on fundamental rice cultivation techniques and Agricultural Extension extension methodologies is enhanced and Job Improvement plan to meet the needs of the center, Agricultural training centres, target area is formulated. Educational institute, which are engaged in promotion of rice [Outcome] cultivation techniques and extension (1) Issues regarding rice cultivation techniques, extension system and methods in services. target areas are analyzed and identified. (2) Fundamental rice cultivation techniques are understood. [Target Group] (3) The knowledge to prepare and implement an extension plan is understood. 1) Engaged in a field of extension of (4) Comprehensive abilities to plan and conduct experiments for efficient extension rice cultivation techniques services are developed. (implementing/planning experiments of (5) Drawing upon the knowledge and techniques obtained in the training, a Job rice cultivation techniques) Improvement Plan is prepared. 2) Educational Background: be a graduate of university, not for PhD holders 3) Language: have a competent command of spoken and written 4) Personal Computer skill: be able to operate MS Word, Excel and Power Point Contents  $2020/3 \sim 2020/10$ [Preliminary phase] Prepare Inception Report on issues regarding rice cultivation echniques, extension system and methods in target areas. Course Period Phase in Japan 1. Analyses and clarify current issues and challenges in target areas (presentation Inception Report) Rural Development 2. Learn fundamental rice cultivation techniques and methodologies of extension and Department Department experiment on rice cultivation techniques through practices, lectures and site in Charge visits: (1) Rice cultivation techniques: Process of rice cultivation, Morphology of rice, JICA Tsukuba(Training) Physiology and ecology of rice, Soil environment and plant nutrition, Weed control, Diseases and insect pests, Post-harvest, Water control, Operation of farm machine etc. (2) Extension methodologies: Planning and management of agricultural extension, Agricultural extension system in Japan, Extension methods etc. (3) Experiment methodologies; Planning of experiment, Growth and yield survey method, Statistical analysis, Report writing etc. **TICA** Center (4) Prepare Job Improvement Plan (Experiment Plan / Extension Plan): based on knowledge and techniques acquired during the program, presentation and discussion of the plans. Cooperation Period  $2017 \sim 2019$ Overseas Agricultural Development Association (OADA) Implementing Partner Remarks and Website