Project News

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



Dry Season Cultivation and Rice Purchase Operation Started

Output 1: Cultivation Technics



Buluto: For around 20 farmers in Vemasse, we conducted 3 times FFS workshops on 9, 16, and 30 June 2020. The contents were nursery bed, sowing, transplanting, and weeding.



Maliana: We conducted 3 times FFS workshops on 29 May, 10 and 26 June 2020. The contents were seed selection, nursery bed, basal dressing, and transplanting. 42 farmers will join FFS this season.

Output 2: Irrigation Water Management



We supported the Water User Association (WUA) board members to have a meeting with all the members including Kabu-we (traditional gate keeper) to discuss water fee collection on 18 June, 2020.

Output 3: Distribution and Sales (Private Sector)



We supported the CAAKUB farmers association to purchase paddy from the farmers in Maliana I. The purchased amount this month reached at 10,373 Kg from 7 farmers.



We supported to improve the CAAKUB's rice filter system by exchanging current wire mech to smaller size one

and adding more filter layers from 2 to 4 lavers.



We provided new rice bags to the CAAKUB in order to keep the quality of milled rice during storage and transportation, also to give good impression to consumers.



We celebrate 1st anniversary of 1st Farmers Market on 6 June, 2020. We provided shopping bags to customers to be used them repeatedly.

Output 4: Purchasing and Distribution (Government Sector)



Before starting the National Logistic Center (NLC) 's paddy purchase operation, we discussed with 5 village chiefs in Maliana I about their involvement during the operation. Also the NLC distributed 1,534 rice empty bags to the farmers groups.



We facilitate among the NLC, village chiefs, and farmers groups for the purchase operation. The NLC purchased paddy amounting to 32 tons from 10 farmers groups.



The NCL started to use the Maliana warehouse, which has been rehabilitated by JICA, to storage purchased paddy.

Next Month Main Activities

Output 1: Conduct FFS Training

Output 2: Follow up Buluto WUA

Output 3: Support CAAKUB and ACELDA's paddy purchase operation

Output 4: Support NLC's purchase operation