



Report of the “Dispatch of Experts on Rice Sector Development Programme” Kick-Off Meeting

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Agenda

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INAUGURAL SESSION / OPENING CEREMONY
03.00 – 03.30 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 08.00 – 08.30 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Enrollment of participants to Zoom Meeting and displaying the organising agency's video profile
03.30 – 03.35 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 08.30 – 08.35 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Remarks by Amb. Diar Nurbintoro
(Acting Director for Non-Aligned Movement Centre for South-South Technical Cooperation - NAM CSSTC)
03.35 – 03.40 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 08.35 – 08.40 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Inaugural Speech by H.E. Dindin Wahyudin (Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Senegal)


03.40 – 04.05 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 08.40 – 09.05 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Introduction of Mission Statement, Aims, and Experts in the “Dispatch of Experts on Rice Sector Development” Programme
Dr. Ir. Leli Nuryati, M.Sc.
Director for Indonesian Centre for Agricultural Training - ICAT
04.05 – 04.10 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 09.05 – 09.10 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
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MAIN SESSION
04.10 – 04.40 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 09.10 – 09.40 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Teaser/brief introduction to the training material on how to use agricultural machinery and routine/daily light agricultural machinery maintenance
Mr. Ramadhan Putra, S.Si. / *interpreter's voiceover*
Trainer of CV. Karya Hidup Sentosa





04.40 - 05.10 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) /
09.40 - 10.10 a.m. (Dakar time zone)

**A teaser/brief introduction to the rice plant
management training content**

Dr. Fiadini Putri
Trainer of ICAT of Lembang

05.10 - 05.40 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 10.10 - 10.40 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Discussion

05.40 - 05.45 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 10.40 - 10.45 a.m. (Dakar time zone)
Wrap-Up
Ms. Niken Supraba (Assistant Director for Programme - NAM CSSTC)

05.45 - 05.50 p.m. (Jakarta time zone) / 10.45 - 10.50 p.m. (Dakar time zone)
Closing Speech
Amb. Diar Nurbintoro
(Acting Director for NAM CSSTC)

Moderator:

Mr. Ronny Mucharam

Head of Inter-Regional Cooperation

The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia

Master of Ceremony:

Mrs. Cristine Siregar

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia

Partners

1. Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Dakar;
2. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia;
3. The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia;
4. CV. Karya Hidup Sentosa;
5. Manobi Africa.

Participants

Manobi Africa

Producteurs (Farmers):

1. Adama Gueye
2. Saliou Ndiaye

3. Pathe Diagne

6. Yacine Sarr

4. Ndeye thioro Sidibe

7. Hamidou Gaye

5. Pape thiaka Mbodj

Agents:

1. Ousseynou Ndiouck

2. Ahmet Sall

3. Mouhamedine Seek

4. Ibrahima Seek

5. Mbayefall

6. Maniang Sall

7. Alayine Sy

8. Thierno Gaye

9. Mamoudou Sidibe

10. Seek Gueye

11. pape badiane

12. Charles Diatta

13. Jean Michel Thiao

Report

Opening Ceremony

H.E. Mr. Dindin Wahyudin, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Senegal, also accredited to Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Cote d'Ivoire, Cape Verde, and Sierra Leone; H.E. Amb. Mr. Diar Nurbintoro, Acting Director of the Non-Aligned Movement Centre for South-South Technical Cooperation (NAM CSSTC); and Dr. Ir. Leli Nuryati, M.Sc., Director of the Indonesian Centre for Agricultural Training (ICAT), Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia, were highlighting the long-standing cooperation between the Indonesian government and Senegal, particularly in the field of agriculture, and the purpose of the event to bring together Indonesian expertise in rice plant management and agriculture machinery operation and maintenance for 20 farmers and agents in St. Louis, Senegal.

It is also emphasised that all organising institutions of the Kick-Off Meeting are eager to support agricultural mechanisation progress in West Africa through technical cooperation programme activities, such as a training in the form of Dispatch of Expert, which will be held following the kick-off meeting.

Main Session presentation:

Mr. Ramadhan Putra, the trainer of CV. Karya Hidup Sentosa (KHS), gave a quick introduction to the training material on how to utilise agricultural machinery and routine/daily light agricultural machinery maintenance and the following points were agreed upon throughout the discussion:

- The introduced machinery is a Quick combine harvester QH-11 BDE type. This combines harvester can assist farmers in achieving optimal production. It is simple to use, has a comfortable operator seat, and is light enough to transport with a small vehicle.
- The trainer also discussed the operating principles and components of the combine harvester, as well as its contrast to the traditional approach.
- The combine harvester has numerous operational routines, including: (i) Engine check; (ii) Blower setting; (iii) Turn on; (iv) Check-up after the engine is turned on; (v) Loading and unloading; (vi) Running; (vii) Speed level moving; (viii) Turning; (ix) Engine stopping. The trainer went through explaining each operation thoroughly.

- The combine harvester has a working time of 6.76 hours per hectare. Following that, the machinery must be turned off for one hour to prevent the radiator from overheating.
- When comparing the combine harvester to the traditional method, there are various advantages, including: only 2 (two) man power is required, the machine can harvest 0.17 hectares per hour, and the loss is less than 2%.

Dr. Fiadini Putri, M.Sc., the trainer of ICAT in Lembang City, Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia, gave a quick introduction to the rice plant management training content and the following points were agreed upon throughout the discussion:

- Rice is Indonesia's main staple food, and Indonesia has experience to share with participants on how it cultivates rice in various terrains such as lowland, upland, and swamp. It also employs Integrated Crop Management, which boosts production and efficiency while being process-oriented, rational, and environmentally benign due to the minimum use of chemical ingredients.
- Rice plant management is divided into numerous stages: land preparation, seed preparation, seedling and planting, fertilisation and irrigation, integrated pest management, harvest and postharvest. Each step was thoroughly described by the trainer.
- Key points taken in rice plant management stages are: it is important to pay attention to soil quality, one of which is using compost; use of high-quality seeds for them to grow faster and unified treatment; Pay attention to transplanting spacing, due to its use to better implement pest and disease control, increasing plant population and utilisation of harvester machinery; and leaf colour darkness is used to determine fertiliser needs.
- There are numerous techniques of Integrated Pest Management depending on which pest occurs in the field; during harvesting, it is important to pay attention to the age of the plant - this may be determined by the varieties that are sown. And lastly, farmers can utilise a variety of post-harvest technology.
- During the discussion, it was determined that the biggest challenge with rice management in Senegal is productivity, which is approximately 5-6 tonnes per hectare. Senegal must find a means to reach its full productivity, which is 10-12 tonnes. This issue is amenable

to agricultural mechanisation. Senegal may also be able to employ the varieties used in Indonesia, but climate conditions must also be considered.

Evaluation:

By the end of the kick-off meeting, ten participant representatives were requested to fill out an evaluation form to rate the quality of the kick-off meeting. The following scoring guidelines were established:

5 for “Strongly Agree” / “Excellent”

4 for “Agree” / “Good”

3 for “Not Sure” / “Average”

2 for “Disagree” / “Poor”

1 for “Strongly Disagree” / “Very Bad”

	My time was well spent during the meeting.	The goal of this meeting was clear.	The meeting lasted the appropriate amount of time.	I believe that the organiser of the "Dispatch of Experts on Rice Sector Development" will make use of my contributions to the programme.	The meeting structure was effective in attaining the specified goals.	Zoom Meeting administration.	The meeting's facilitator (Moderator and Speakers).	The materials for the presentation.
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	3	3	3	3	4	3	3	3
	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5
	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Total Score	43	45	44	46	46	40	42	45
Highest Score	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Score (%)	86.00%	90.00%	88.00%	92.00%	92.00%	80.00%	84.00%	90.00%

The evaluation yielded the following results:

- Participants evaluated the meeting 86/100 on how successfully they used their time for the meeting;
- Meeting participants gave the meeting goal a score of 90/100;
- Participants evaluated the meeting's time allocation 88/100 on the appropriateness scale;
- Participants gave the meeting format a score of 92/100 for effectiveness in achieving the meeting's aims;
- Participants gave the Zoom Meeting administration a score of 80/100;
- Participants gave the meeting's moderator and speakers an 84/100 rating; and
- The quality of the presentation materials received a 90/100 rating from participants.

The organisers conclude that the overall kick-off meeting score is 87.75/100 based on the above score.

By breaking down each indicator, the following sub-aspects constituted the high points of the kick-off meeting organisation:

- The participants' background is extremely relevant to the meeting subjects;
- The time allotted for Q&A adequate, allowing participants to obtain all of the information they required from the speakers;
- The meeting sequence was designed using the "objective-driven" principle, with each topic during the Main Session being set in order to better formulate the Dispatch of Experts programme; and
- No interruptions, such as break time, occurred during the meeting, allowing participants to remain focused.

While the following are the low points in the organisation of the kick-off meeting:

- An unstable internet connection caused important roles during the kick-off meeting to leave the Zoom Meeting for a short period of time, and there was no backup internet connection source for them;
- There was background noise when someone was speaking; and
- Because a single interpreter was required to translate both English and Wolof, the meeting flow was slightly clogged.

The following adjustments are suggested to avoid similar difficulties occurring in future NAM CSSTC programmes:

- All parties attending the event must have two internet connections in order to stay connected during the meeting. Before conducting a virtual event, Internet speed must also be considered. If one crucial role has a slow internet connection, it is recommended that events be organised in person;
- Each person who is speaking during the event must ensure that she or he is speaking in a quiet space/room with no background noise;
- At least two interpreters are required for bilingual events, so that one interpreter can focus on interpreting from English to local language and another interpreter can focus on interpreting from local language to English; and
- Speakers' capacity to explain ideas more clearly and effectively in response to participant inquiries must be built. The moderator role can be improved to simplify speakers' responses.

Final conclusions of the kick-off meeting:

- Farmers will be more productive as a result of rice mechanisation because they will save time harvesting. They may also investigate using varieties grown in Indonesia to increase productivity to 10-12 tonnes per hectare.
- Additional work will be required in the coming months to prepare the "Dispatch of Experts on Rice Sector Development Programme." In addition to the preparation work done by the

Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia and Manobi Africa, the NAM CSSTC will meet with relevant Indonesian Ministries and CV. KHS.

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