



# RICE GROWING OUTLOOK REPORT

**JULY 2020**



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### **Overview**

In the Northern side of SE-Asia, the planting of wet season rice is continuing, and the most is in growing stage. The harvesting also has started in south Vietnam. Farmers are highly motivated to plant this season rice due to rising rice prices. The growing condition is generally good due to the rain spread through June. The impact of drought is a concern in some countries, but the extent of the damage is not serious

In the Southern side of SE-Asia (Indonesia), the harvesting of wet season rice has almost finished. The yield is forecasted slightly lower than last year due to less precipitation during growing season. On the other hand, the dry season rice planting is still low level due to the continuous cropping of wet season rice.

### **Cambodia**

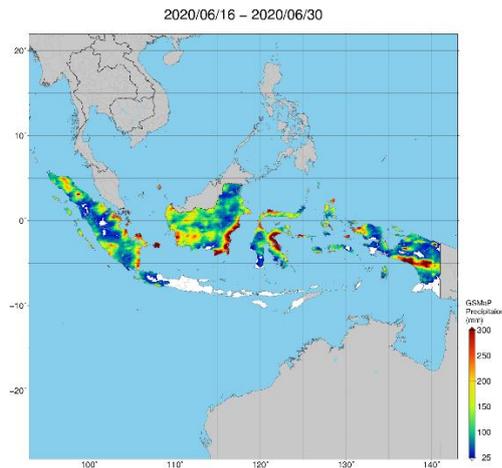
This month, the planting of wet season rice reached to 74% of the national plan. While, early wet season rice is in flowering to grain filling stage.

On the other hand, the drought is concerned according to the forecast for less rainfall from mid-July to early August. Now, the drought is causing in the north-west and east-south area, and the affected area for paddy rice reached to 1.6% of total cultivated area. The growing condition out of drought area is fairly good.

### **Indonesia**

The harvesting of wet season rice has almost finished on this July, it is 5.9 million ha or 6.0% lower than last year. The yield is forecasted slightly lower than last year due to the less precipitation during the growing season.

This July is also the fourth month of planting dry season rice, and it is 0.8 million ha. The planting work condition is still low level due to the continuous cropping of wet season rice with the stable rainfall. Despite the dry season, it's still raining.



Precipitation Map by JASMIN: Despite the dry season, it's still raining.

## Laos

The wet season rice of lowland is in seeding and tillering stage. The planting work has almost completed until end of June. The condition of weather and irrigation water supply in this month is good for the paddy in early growing stage. The upland rice is also in tillering stage. The growing condition is generally good, but in this month some damage caused some provinces in the north region by pest outbreak, and the damaged area was around 170 hectares.

## Myanmar

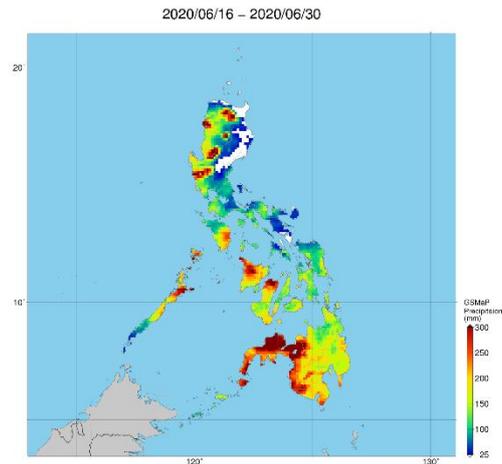
In Myanmar except Rakhine State, over 1.6 million hectares of wet season rice accounting for about 27% of national plan of 6.12 million hectares has been planted. In this month, monsoon rain favored the planting work of the wet season rice, and the planting progress is slightly faster than last year.

The weather is fine, and any significant flood and damage was not found in all States and Regions. On the other hand, the government supported seeds, subsidies and cultivated suggestions to the rice growers in response to COVID-19 counterplan.

## Philippines

Wet season rice planted during the period of April-May is currently in the maturing stage. In the second half of June, high precipitation was noted especially in the southern regions of the country. Southwest monsoon, low pressure areas and tropical storm were the weather system that affected the country during the month of June. It brought significant rainfall, but no damage has been reported.

Generally, the crop growing condition of wet season rice is good as the country is expected to experience good weather condition.



Precipitation Map by JASMIN: In second half of June, high precipitation was noted in the southern regions

## Thailand

Wet - season rice is now in the tillering stage. The growing condition is slightly good compared to last year due to the rain spread throughout June. Farmers have enough water for cultivating. Although some areas in the North and the Northeast, receiving less rainfall than usual in June. In addition, paddy farmgate prices and government policy (Income insurance scheme) are motivating factors for rice area expanding. These incentives factors also make farmers taking good care of their crop and increasing of yield.

## Vietnam

In the North, the harvesting of winter-spring rice (dry season rice) is completed. The average yield is estimated at 6.34 tons/ha, as same as last year due to warm weather and better irrigation preparation. The total production is estimated 6.9 million tons, 1.8% lower than last year. In addition, the sowing of summer-autumn rice (wet season rice) starts this month.

In the South, the summer-autumn rice (wet season rice) is in the harvesting stage. The harvested area reached 0.24 million ha out of 1.6 million ha planted. The yield condition forecasts slightly lower than last year due to drought.