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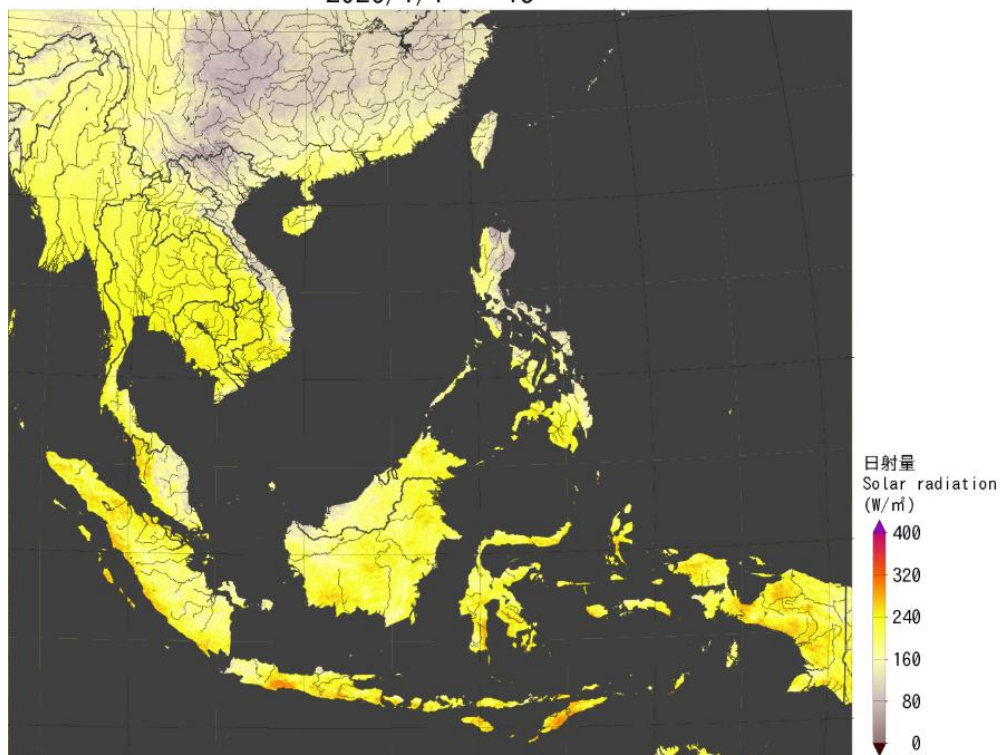
Overview

In the Northern side of SE-Asia, the dry season maize sowing has begun in most areas. The planted area is forecast to increase compared with last year, mainly due to a shift from dry season rice to maize cultivation due to favorable maize prices. Although harvesting has begun in the Philippines, maize production is expected to decline compared to last year's level due to the heavy rains and strong winds from the tropical cyclones that occurred during the early growth stages of kernel development.

In the Southern side of SE-Asia, the seeding of wet season maize is ongoing with the support of favorable rainfall. Additionally, harvesting of wet-season maize started this month in Indonesia. The yield is expected to be fair due to sufficient irrigation water and sunlight.

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Cambodia

The sown area of dry season maize reached 21 thousand ha, 73% of the national plan and it's less 7% than last year. The growing stage is in the reproductive to grain filling stage.

This year's dry season maize yield is expected to be good due to stable temperatures and sunlight, but it was not planted in some regions.

Indonesia

This January is the fourth month of wet-season maize seeding, with the current seeded area of 1.0 million hectares, which is 9.7% lower than last wet-season. Favourable growing conditions are attributable to adequate irrigation water.

Additionally, harvesting of wet-season maize started this month, with the current harvested areas at approximately 0.2 million hectares. The yield is expected to be fair due to sufficient irrigation water and sunlight.

Laos

The dry season maize is in the sowing stage and reached up to 4.7 thousand hectares, which is beyond the national plan. The production is expected around 23 thousand tons and the average yield is estimated good yield with 4.93 tons/ha due to the good weather and enough irrigation supply during this stage.

Malaysia

The wet season maize planting is ongoing supported by favorable rainfall during the Northeast Monsoon. Most early-planted fields are establishing well, with no significant planting delays reported.

Crops currently at the early vegetative stage are generally in fair to good condition, and no major pest or disease outbreaks have been reported.

Myanmar

The wet season maize harvest is now complete, and the final yield is reported as fair at 3.82 tons/ha.

Dry season maize sowing continues to advance rapidly, reaching approximately 82.3% of the national planting target. Soil moisture and precipitation conditions remain favorable across major growing areas. Provided these conditions persist, the crop is expected to develop well with promising yield potential.

Philippines

The dry season maize planted from September to October is ripening to harvesting stages. Maize production is expected to decline compared to last year's level due to the heavy rains and strong winds from the tropical cyclones that occurred during the early growth stages of kernel development.

Thailand

Dry season maize is currently in the reproductive stage (Flowering stage). The planted area is forecast to increase compared with last year, mainly due to a shift from dry season rice to maize cultivation due to favorable maize prices.

As of January 2026, the accumulated sown area is estimated at 97 thousand hectares. Maize yield and production are expected to improve, supported by adequate irrigation systems and effective pest and disease management.

Vietnam

This month is the second month of dry season maize sowing in the Northern region. The sown area is estimated at 124.9 thousand hectares, 5.4% lower than the last year. Rainfall condition is favorable, and it's supporting good crop emergence. Meanwhile, the dry season maize sowing has not yet started in the Southern region.

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