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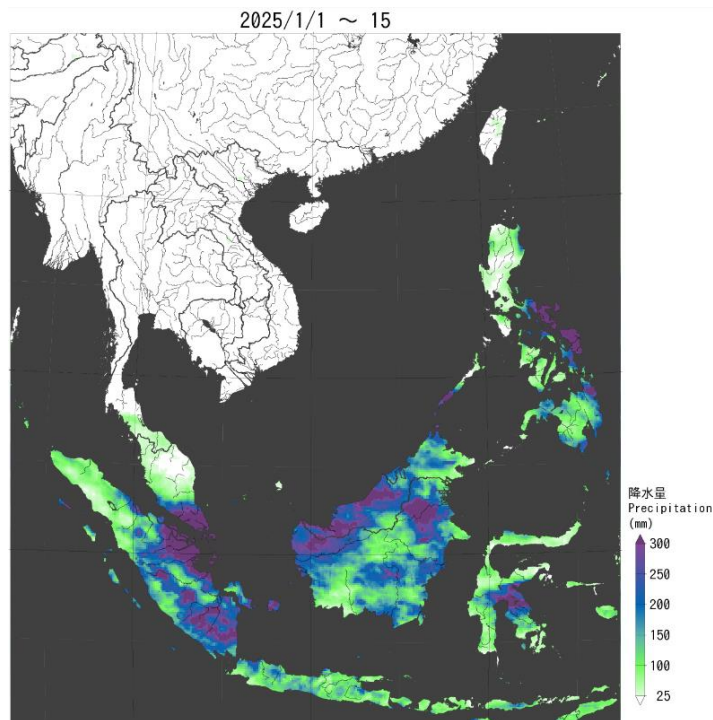
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Overview

In the Northern side of SE-Asia, the planting of dry season rice fully starts excluding North Vietnam which is in the harvesting season of winter crops. The total planted area of dry season rice is expected to increase than last season due to enough irrigation water for rice cultivation. The growing is in early growing stage mainly, and the growing condition is generally good, with the exception of Vietnam, where there are concerns that saltwater intrusion into the Mekong Delta will cause a shortage of water for agriculture

In the Southern side of SE-Asia, the harvesting of wet season rice has started. The yield is expected to be good under good weather conditions during growing period. The planting work is steadily progressing and the planting area is also expected to increase due to the significant rainfall from the late December to mid-January.



JASMAI precipitation Map

Brunei

The wet season rice in the irrigated area is in the reproductive to ripening stage due to staggered planting. The first harvest to begin at the end of January. Whereas in rainfed area is mostly in grain filling stage and will be ready to harvest in February. Current growing conditions are slightly good under average amount of precipitation and temperature levels.

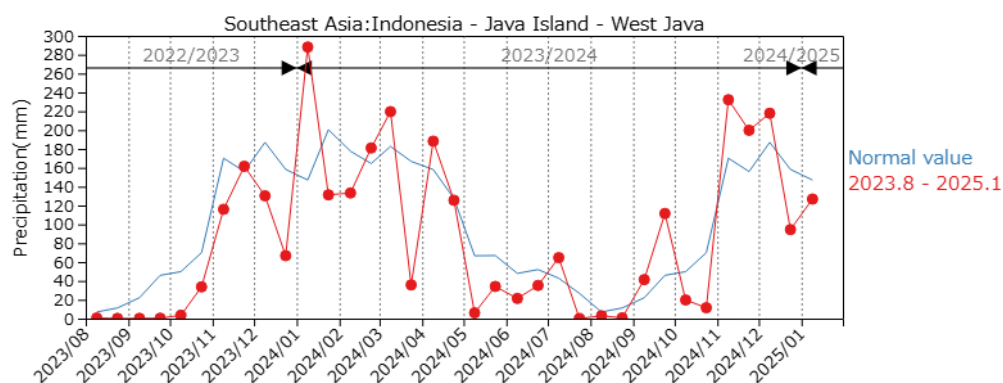
Cambodia

The dry season rice is in grain filling to harvesting stage under favorable weather conditions and enough sunshine. The total planted area reached 815 thousand ha and it increased 9 percent than last season. While the harvesting progressed up to 5% of total planted area.

Generally, the growth condition of dry season rice is good and the average yield is expected to be 4.6 tons/hectare with slightly increase than last season.

Indonesia

Wet-season rice harvesting began in January covering 0.4 million hectares. Due to sufficient sunlight during the growing period, the yield is forecast to be moderately favorable. January also marks the fourth month of wet-season rice planting with a cumulative area of 4.3 million hectares. It's up 16% from the last season. This increase is mainly due to significant rainfall from late December to mid-January. Overall, the vegetative and early generative stages show good condition supported by adequate irrigation, with no reported adverse effects from the precipitation.



JASMAI precipitation Graph (West Java): significant rainfall from late December to mid-January

Laos

The national planting plan of dry season rice in 2024 - 2025 is approximately 93 thousand hectares, and the production is expected to be around 423 thousand tons. The planting of dry season rice started this month and progressed to 21 thousand hectares with 23% of the national plan. The weather condition and irrigation supply in this season is quite good, and the current growing stage is in land preparation and seeding stage mainly.

Malaysia

Approximately 75% of the cultivation areas for wet season rice have been successfully planted as of January, with the planting process expected to be completed by February. Meanwhile, harvesting of wet season rice is currently in progress, covering 9% of the cultivation areas.

Overall, the condition of wet season rice cultivation is favorable, as most areas are anticipated to experience normal rainfall, and the majority of the crop growth stages are in good condition.

Myanmar

The dry season rice has been planted about 490 thousand hectares accounting for 42% of the national plan of 1.17 million hectares. The progress of planting work is similar as compared to last year. The planting areas may increase more than last year due to higher availability of irrigation water for the dry season rice under favorable weather. Most of the dry season rice is now at early vegetative growth stages under good growing conditions.

Philippines

The dry season rice planted from November to December 2024 is already in the tillering to young panicle forming stage. Generally, the growing condition is fair to good as the major parts of the country are more likely to receive near normal rainfall conditions.

The tropical depression and shear line brought continuous rains that caused flooding in provinces of Southern Luzon and Mindanao but no significant crop damage was reported.

Thailand

The dry season rice is currently in the tillering stage. The total planted area is expected to increase about 18% than last season. The accumulated planted areas are 1.2 million hectares or approximately 58% of the national plan. The continuous rainfall since last year has benefited enough irrigation water for rice cultivation this year. Rice yield is forecast to increase due to sufficient water and favorable weather conditions.

Vietnam

In the North of Vietnam, the planting of dry season rice (winter-spring rice) has not started yet because of the sowing work of winter season crops.

In the South, the dry season rice (winter-spring rice) is in the sowing stage. The current sown area is 1.42 million ha, which in sown area of The Mekong River Delta is 1.27 million ha. It is concerned that there will be a shortage of agricultural water due to saline intrusion in the Mekong Delta.

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