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Overview

In the Northern side of SE-Asia, the planting of wet season rice start in all countries. Generally, the growing condition is good due to enough precipitation. Beginning of this month, there was a serious storm in the Midwest region of Myanmar and Philippines Luzon western region was suffered by heavy rain due to the influence of typhoon. The damage is expected to be slight, because wet season rice is in the early growing stage.

In the Southern side of SE-Asia (Indonesia), the harvesting of wet season rice almost finish. The yield is expected average yield. The delayed planting of dry season rice starts in some regions due to the rainfall in late May, however, Java Island where the main paddy production area continues low precipitation condition and some farmers changed the planting crop from rice to other crops.

Cambodia

The sowing of wet season rice has completed in whole country. Total planted area is estimated about 2.5 million ha. The growing is in tillering stage to early young panicle forming stage. This year, the rainy season came earlier with adequate rainfall. Therefore, the growing seems to be faster than normal year. The growing condition is generally good despite some flood is reported especially in eastern area.

Indonesia

The harvesting of wet season rice has almost completed until this month. Total harvested area was 9.1 million ha, 1.5 % higher than last year. The yield condition was fair due to enough irrigation water during vegetative period.

On the other hand, this month is the third month of planting dry season rice, the planting is far behind with normal year due to low level of precipitation. This lack of irrigation water condition seems to be recovered somewhat in Sumatra and Sulawesi Islands due to the rainfall in late May. And, the planting has already started in irrigated area. However, Java Island where the main paddy production area continues low precipitation condition and some farmers changed the planting crop from rice to other crops.



Precipitation Graph by JASMIN: Indonesia Java continues less precipitation condition.

Laos

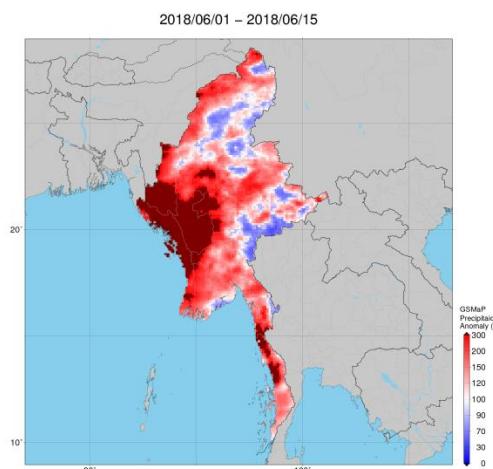
The harvesting of dry season rice is completed in whole country. The harvested area was 76,600ha with national plan 90,000ha and total production and yield were 403 thousand tons, 5.26 ton per ha respectively.

The wet season rice is in land preparation and seeding stage. The planted area is expected to be 817 thousand ha for lowland rained rice and 100 thousand ha for upland rice by national plan. The farmer could start seeding earlier than last year due to the rainfall in this year came earlier than previous year.

Myanmar

Harvest of dry season rice has been done 813 thousand hectares accounting for 74% of total planted areas. It produces 3.91 million tons of paddy with the yield of 4.8 t/ha^{-1} . The yield is fair and slightly higher than last year.

The planting of wet season rice also began from the middle of May. The planting of 6.14 million ha is scheduled for this wet season by national plan. During this month, there was a heavy rain accompanying strong wind in the whole Myanmar. However, it was reported for only Dry Lands Area that 1850 ha of dry season rice was affected by heavy rain and among them 50 ha was damaged.

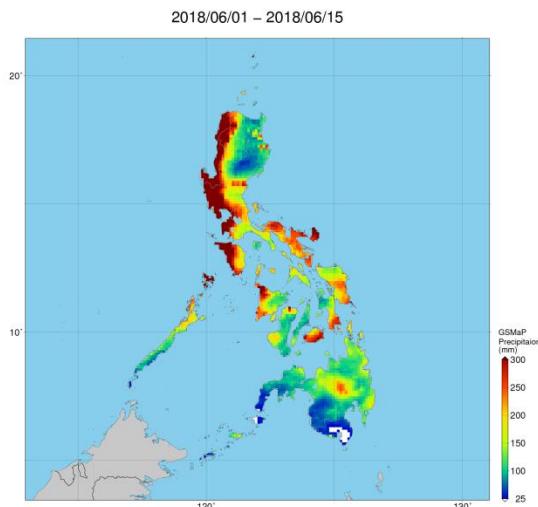


Precipitation Anomaly Map by JASMIN: there was a heavy rain accompanying strong wind in the whole Myanmar

Philippine

The planting of wet season rice starts and it is currently in the seeding up to young panicle forming stage. During the first two weeks of June, the country was hit by Typhoon "Malaksi". It brought heavy rains to Luzon, particularly in the western part, affecting the rice plantings in the major rice-producing regions.

The current growing condition of wet season rice is concerned due to the typhoon. However, the growing condition is expected to recuperate because that near normal weather condition is forecasted for the remainder of the month.



Precipitation map by JASMIN: Typhoon brought heavy rain to Luzon

Thailand

Wet season rice is in the time of sowing and beginning of tillering stage. This year, the rainy season came earlier with adequate rainfall amount for the cultivation. The farmer has the motivation of expanding their field continuously due to the satisfied last year's paddy price.

Therefore, the planted area of wet season rice is forecasted to increase from last year. The increase in planted area is not so large even some factors that increase because of some farmers change their field to grow other crops such as sugarcane and cassava. Generally, the growing condition of wet season rice in early growth is good by enough precipitation and farmers are taking care their crop better.

Vietnam

In the North, the harvesting of winter-spring rice (dry season rice) starts in some province. The average yield is estimated at 6.3 tons/ha, 1.1% which higher than the last year yield due to good weather.

In the South, the harvesting of winter-spring rice (dry season rice) is almost completed. The average yield of Mekong River Delta region is estimated at 6.92 tons/ha, 0.63 ton higher than that last year yield due to favorable weather. The total production of the region is estimated at 10.89 million tons, 9,6% higher than that last year production.

On the other hand, the sowing of summer-autumn rice (wet season rice) starts in the South. The currently sown area is 1.11 million ha, about 12% lower than the last year due to the late of dry season rice harvesting.