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Farmer Adaptation of System of Rice Intensification (SRI) Methods in the Lower Mekong Basin Region

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Abha Mishra is team leader for an EU-funded project on Sustaining and Enhancing the Momentum for Innovation and Learning around the System of Rice Intensification (SRI) in the Lower Mekong River Basin (SRI-LMB). This five-year project, intended to enhance the resilience of small-scale farmers' confronting the stresses of climate change, undertakes to stimulate local innovation with SRI through Farmers' Field Schools (FFS) in rainfed areas of Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam. Farmers participate in the design of on-farm trials and in the evaluation of results, having conducted the trials themselves. Development of farmers' capacities to sustainably improve agricultural productivity in the context of climate change is being promoted along with achievement of greater food security.

Dr. Mishra, who is currently co-director of the Asian Center of Innovation for Sustainable Agriculture Intensification (ACISAI) at the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand, will discuss progress and learning during the SRI-LMB's first two years since the project began in 2013.

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