





## Date: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015

Venue: Auditorium, Faculty of Agriculture, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Anuradhapura

9.15 am - 10.00 am	Registration of the participants
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Morning tea
10.00 am - 10.10 am	Welcome speech - Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka
10.10 am - 10.30 am	Present status and future trends of Environmental-friendly rice farming in Sri Lanka (Dr. P.B. Dharmasena - National Consultant, FAO)
10.30 am - 10.45 am	Location specific SRI research in Anuradhapura District - By Dr. (Mrs.) G.A.S. Ginigaddara, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Agriculture
10.45 am - 11.00 am	Launching of the research publication on "Location specific SRI research in Anuradhapura District
11.00 pm - 12.00 noon	Presentations by panel members
1. Key criteria of sustainable rice farming and role of sustainable rice platform to face the present and future challenges in Sri Lanka (Dr. Amitha Bentota, Director, Rice Research Institute	
2. Lessons learnt from participatory learning experiment on sustainable rice farming systems in Ampara District (Mr. M.S. Abukaleel, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Ampara)	
	ons learnt from re-cultivating abandoned lands with traditional rice rding to SRI (Mr. Amal Arunapriya, Deputy Director of Agriculture, lle)
4. Organic rice farming experiences from private sector (Mr. Preethi Priyadharshana De Silva, Director, Ran Sahal (Pvt) Limited)	
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Panel discussion on environmental-frienddly rice farming
12.30 pm - 1.15 pm	Lunch
1.15 pm - 3.15 pm	Opportunities for collaboration (Discussion on establishing sustainable rice platform)
1. SRI as a science, approach and movement to build up sustainable rice platform based on agro-ecological principles (Oxfam experience)	
2. Expe	erience of the farmers who practice SRI benefits and challenges
3. Establishment of the sustainable rice platform framework	
3.15 pm	Vote of thanks and end of the programme

Invitation

We cordially invite you to Participate in the research publication launch and learning event on environmental-friendly rice farming from 9.00 am to 3.15 pm on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 at the Auditorium of Faculty of Agriculture, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Anuradhapura.

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