

# NCAM CONTRIBUTION TO ATTAINING SELF- SUFFICIENCY IN RICE PRODUCTION NIGERIA

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# SAWAH REQUIREMENT

**SITE SELECTION:** THE TYPE OF LAND REQUIRED FOR SAWAH IS LOWLAND, FLOODPLAINS, INLAND BASINS, INLAND VALLEYS AND COASTAL SWAMPS.



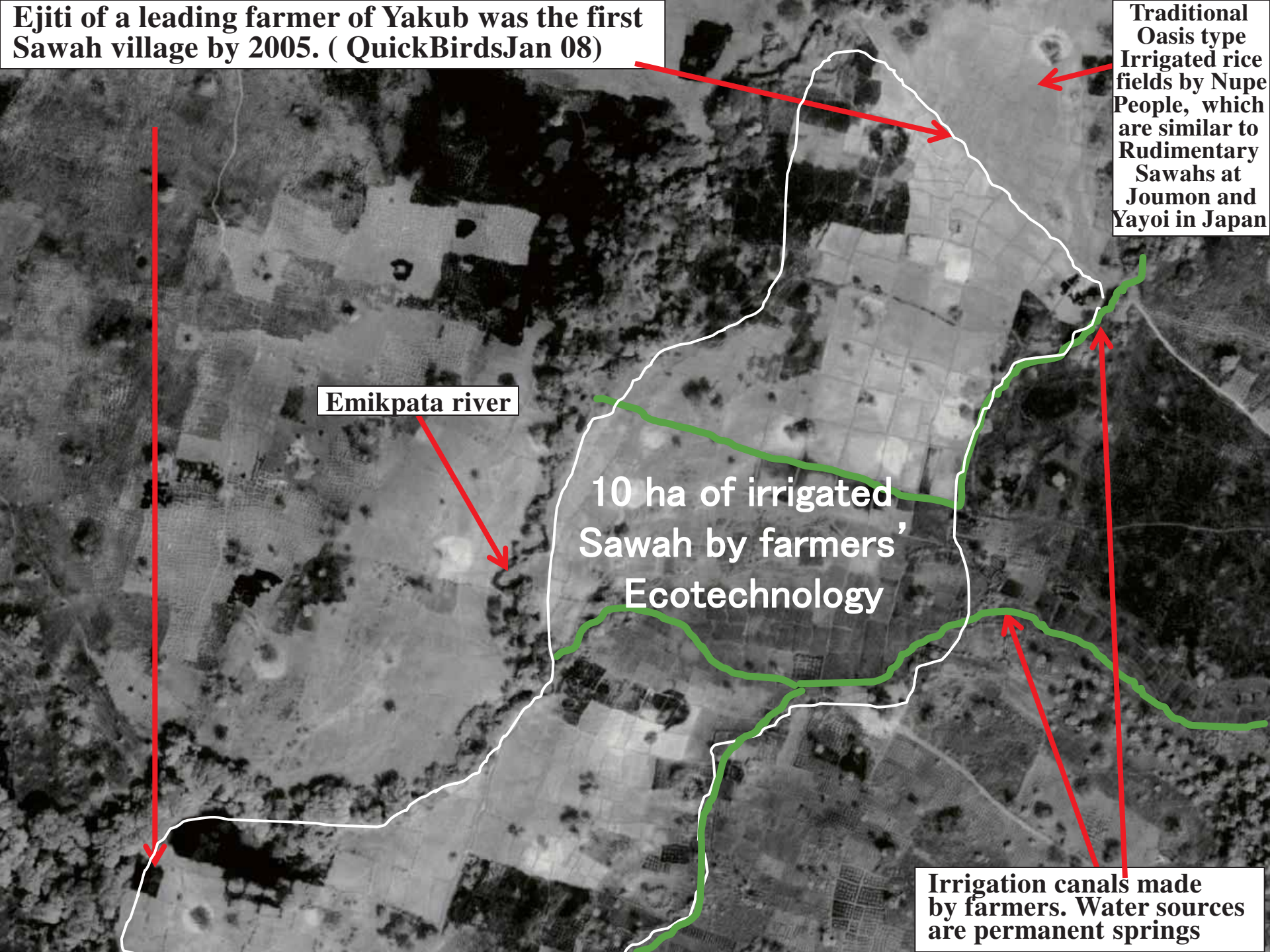
**Ejiti of a leading farmer of Yakub was the first Sawah village by 2005. ( QuickBirdsJan 08)**

**Traditional Oasis type Irrigated rice fields by Nupe People, which are similar to Rudimentary Sawahs at Joumon and Yayoi in Japan**

**Emikpata river**

**10 ha of irrigated Sawah by farmers' Ecotechnology**

**Irrigation canals made by farmers. Water sources are permanent springs**





19Jan2013SouthLakeChadIntakePoint

Kumbulewari

Fage

Jegara

The biggest irrigation scheme of south lake Chad irrigation



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Marte

Bula Butube

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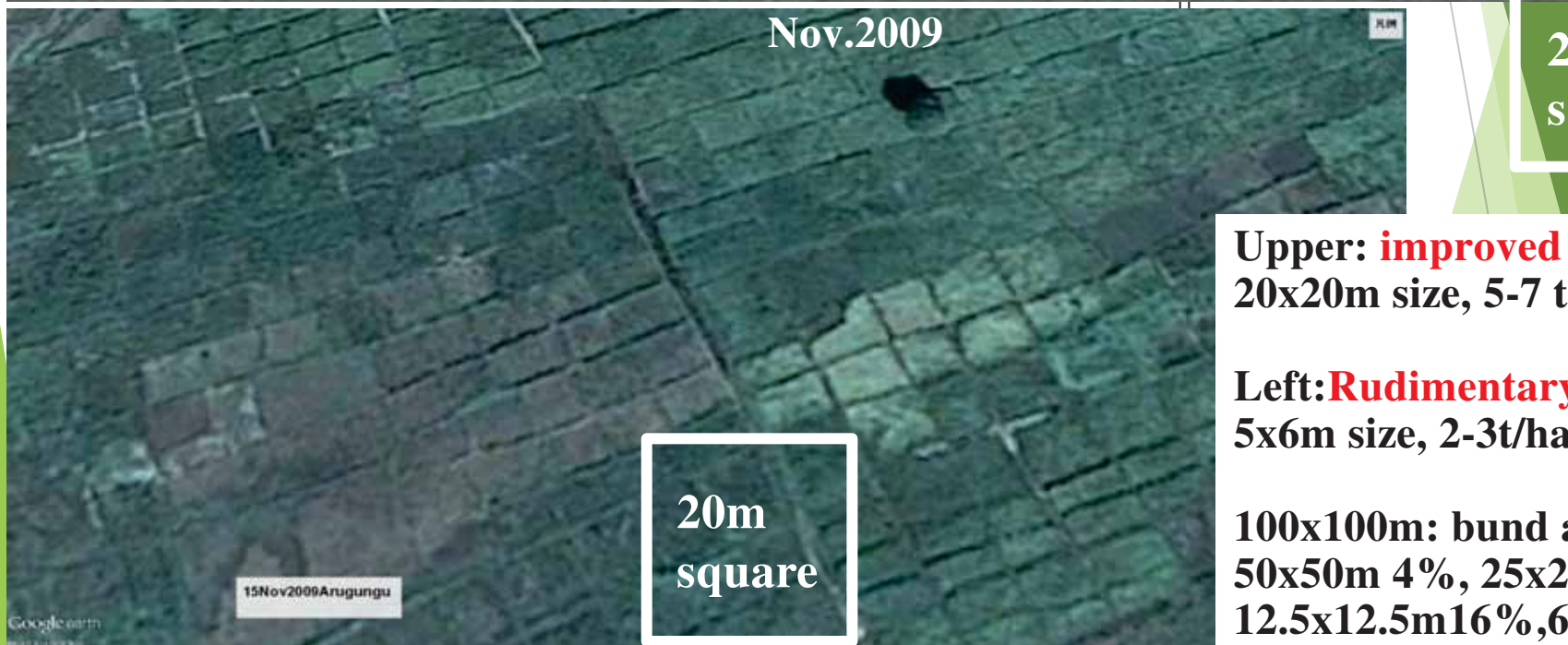
6 km





19Oct2013Arunggu

Google earth



Nov.2009

15Nov2009Arunggu

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20m square

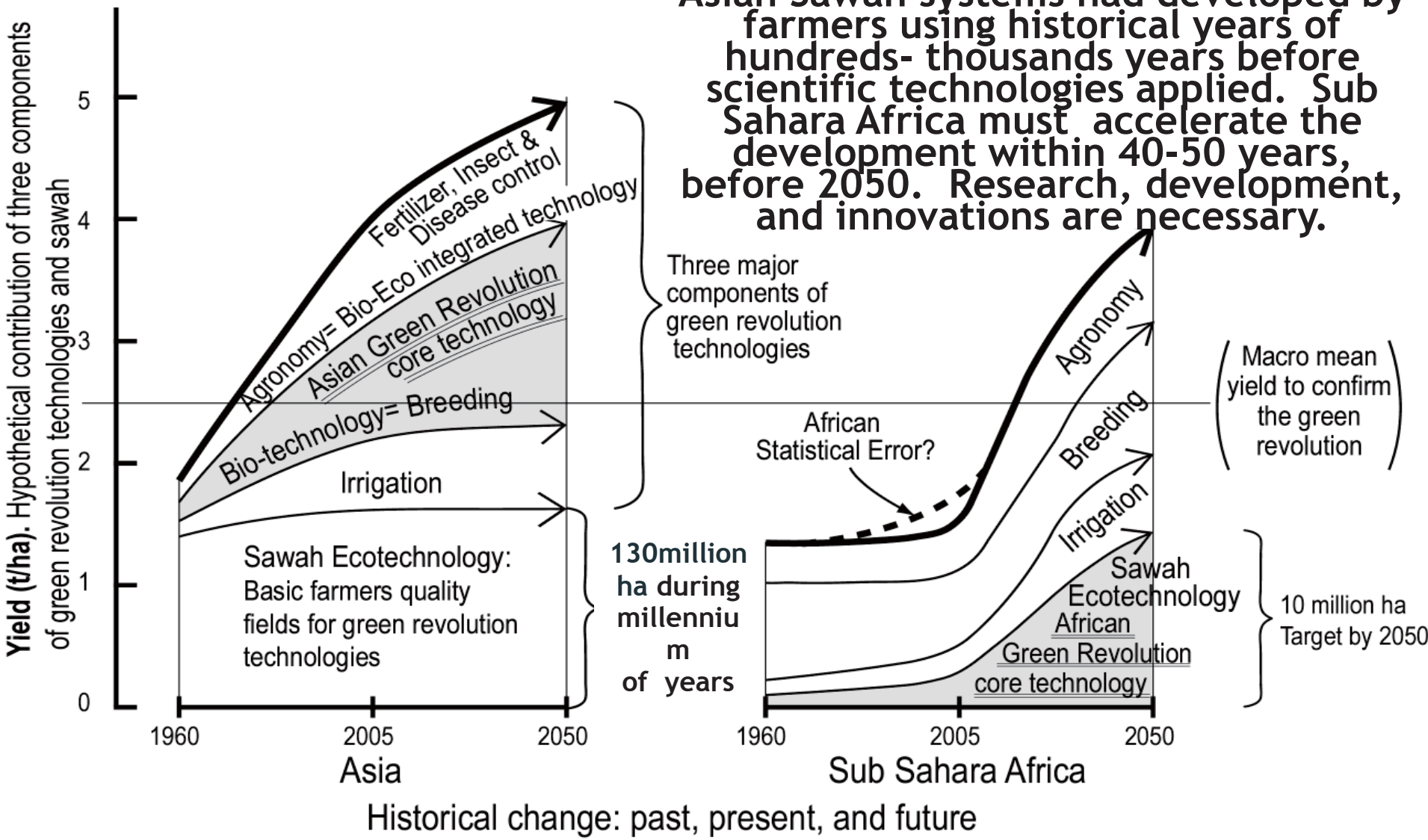
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Upper: **improved Sawah**,  
20x20m size, 5-7 t /ha

Left: **Rudimentary Sawah**  
5x6m size, 2-3t/ha in 2009

100x100m: bund area 2%  
50x50m 4%, 25x25m 8%,  
12.5x12.5m 16%, 6.3x6.3m  
32%, 3x3m 64%

Asian Sawah systems had developed by farmers using historical years of hundreds- thousands years before scientific technologies applied. Sub Sahara Africa must accelerate the development within 40-50 years, before 2050. Research, development, and innovations are necessary.



**Fig. 4 : Sawah hypothesis (1) for Africa Green Revolution:**

hypothetical contribution of three green revolution technologies & sawah system development during 1960-2050. Bold lines during 1960-2005 are

Source: FAO/IFAD/ILRI/ICR/CGIAR, 2006. *Building Resilient and Prosperous Food Systems*, p. 110-111.

**Table 1 Distribution of lowlands and potential irrigated and rainfed sawah area in Sub Saharan Africa (SSA) (Hekstra, Andriesse, Windmeijer 1983 & 1993, Potential Sawah area estimate by Wakatsuki 2002,2012)**

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Area (million ha)</b>	<b>Area for potential irrigated sawah development</b>
<b>Coastal swamps</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4-9 millon ha (25-50%)</b>
<b>Inland basins</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>1-5 million ha (1-5%)</b>
<b>Flood plains</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8-15 million ha(25-50%)</b>
<b>Inland valleys</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>9-20 million ha(10-25%)</b>

**Note 1.** Although initial priority was the inland valleys because of easier water control, some flood plains in Sudan and Guinea Savanna zones should be given higher priority, such as Kebbi, Sokoto, Jigawa, Yobe and Borno in Nogeria, where personal small pump irrigated sawah is efficient and soil fertility is high.

**Note 2.** Estimated potential sawah area and paddy production are 0.5-1 million ha and 2-4 million tons of paddy in Ghana, 3-5 million ha and 12-20 million tons in Nigeria, and 22-49 million ha and 88-196 million tons in SSA. Estimations in Table 1 can be supported by following data, i.e. Asia has 123 million ha of sawah area with 9485 km<sup>3</sup> of annual available water, whereas Africa has 3617 km<sup>3</sup> of water availability, 40% of Asia's (Oki et al 2009, FAOSTAT 2014).

**Table 2: Comparison of farmers' site-specific personal irrigated sawah system development and sawah based rice farming (Sawah eco-technology) with large- and small-scale contractor (ODA) style developments, and traditional rice cultivation system in various lowlands of Nigeria and Ghana (2013).**

	Large-scale development	Small-scale development	Sawah eco-technology	Traditional system
<b>Development cost (\$/ha)</b>	<b>10000–30000</b>	<b>10000–30000</b>	<b>1000-3000 (10 yrs ago 3000-7000)</b>	<b>30–60</b>
<b>Gross revenue (\$/ha)†</b>	2000–3000	2000–3000	2000–3000	500–1000
<b>Yield (t/ha)</b>	4–6	4–6	4–6	1–2
<b>Running cost, including machinery (\$/ha)</b>	1000–1100	1000–1100	1000–1100	400–500
<b>Farmer participation</b>	Low	Medium–High	High	High
<b>Project ownership</b>	Government	Government	Farmer	Farmer
<b>Adaptation of technology</b>	Long,	Medium to short	Medium to short, needs intensive demonstration and on-the-job training (OJT) program	Short
<b>Technology transfer</b>	Difficult	Difficult	Easy	Few technology transfer
<b>Sustainable development</b>	<b>Low (heavy machinery used by contractors in development)</b>	<b>Low to medium</b>	<b>High (farmer-based and small power-tiller used in development and management)</b>	<b>Medium</b>
<b>Management</b>	<b>Difficult</b>	<b>Difficult</b>	<b>Easy</b>	<b>Easy</b>
<b>Adverse environmental effect</b>	High	Medium	Low	Medium

† Assuming 1 ton paddy is worth US\$ 500; one power-tiller costs US \$ 3000-5000 in West Africa depending on the brand quality and accessories (2012 values). Selling prices are \$1500-\$3000 for farmers in Asian countries.

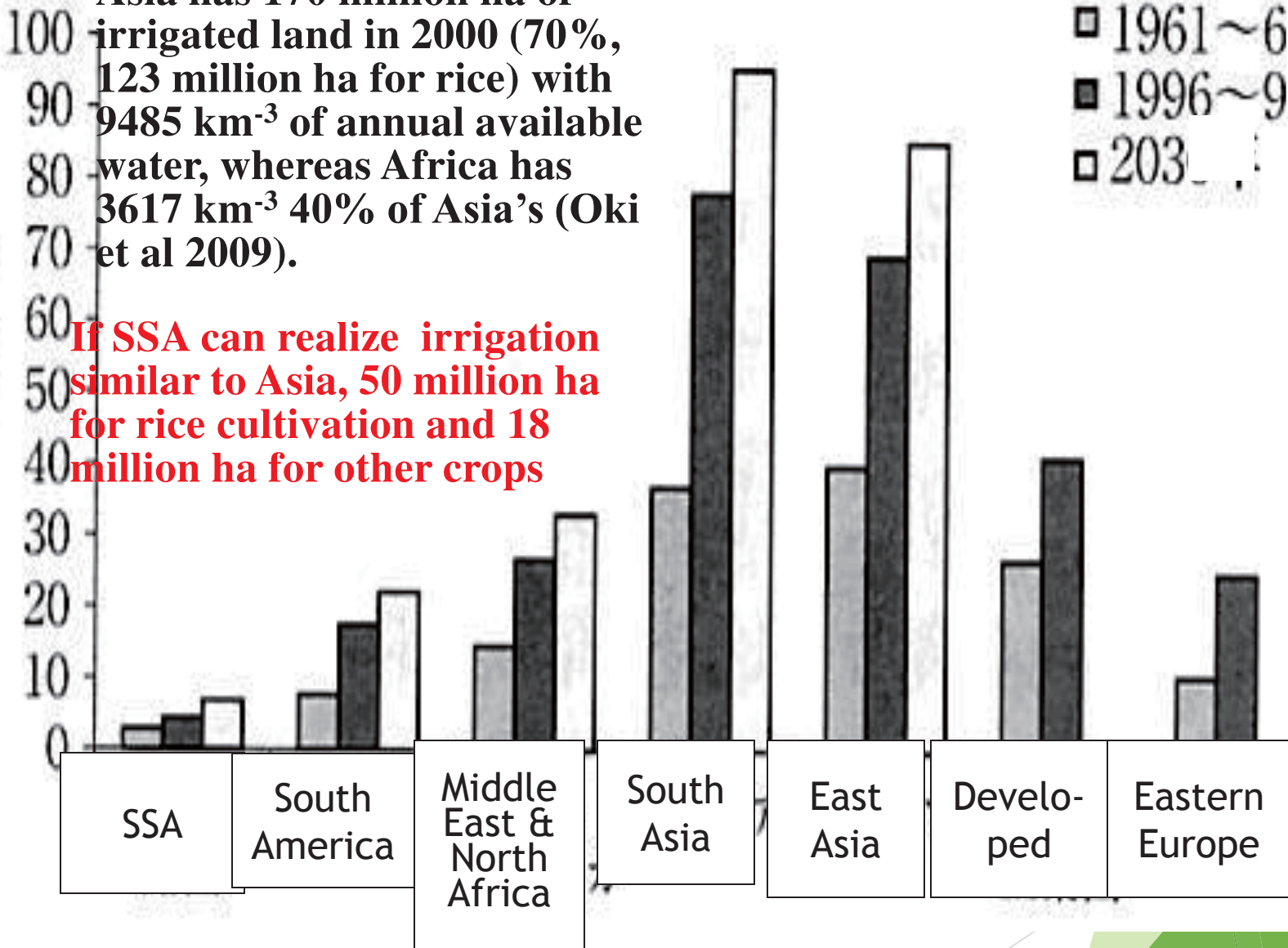


Asia has 170 million ha of irrigated land in 2000 (70%, 123 million ha for rice) with 9485 km<sup>3</sup> of annual available water, whereas Africa has 3617 km<sup>3</sup> 40% of Asia's (Oki et al 2009).

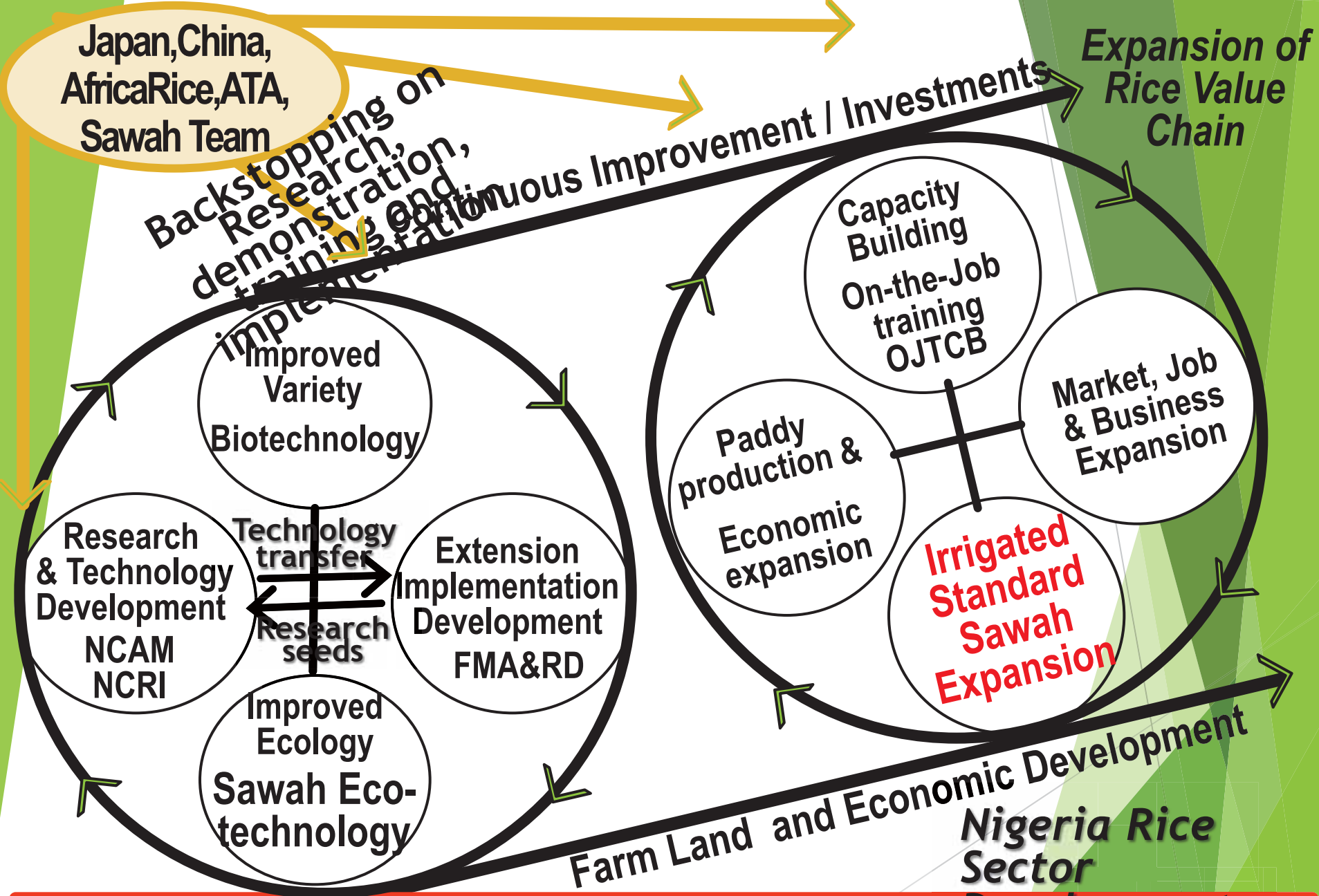
**If SSA can realize irrigation similar to Asia, 50 million ha for rice cultivation and 18 million ha for other crops**

□ 1961~6  
 ■ 1996~9  
 □ 2030

10<sup>6</sup>  
ha

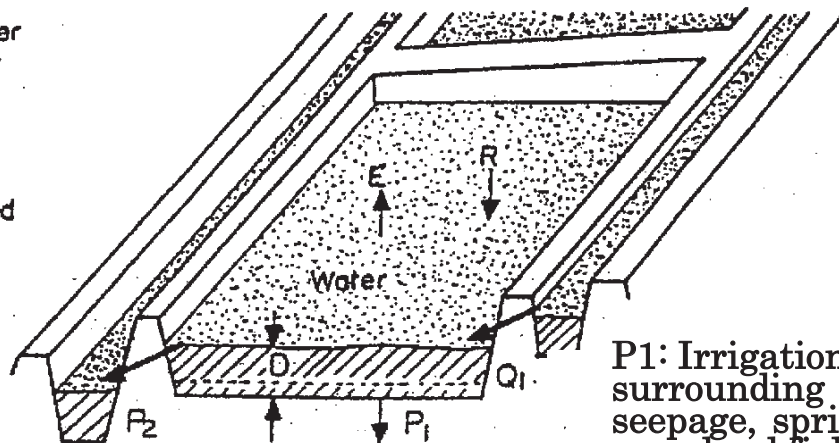
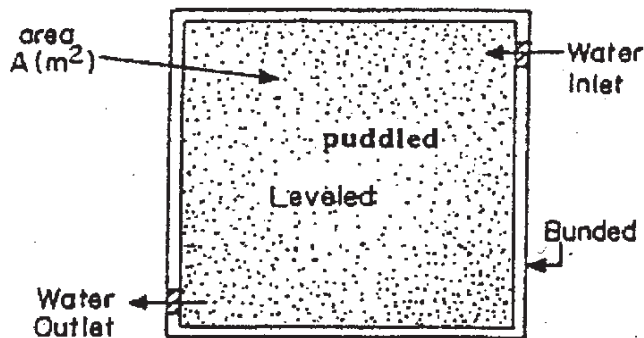


World Irrigated Area in million ha (Yoshinaga et al, FAO 2003)



**Figure 1. Expansion of Rice Value Chain by Sawah Technology**

Quality of Sawah determines the quality of water control, then quality of soil management and performance of various agronomic practices for rice production



P1: Irrigation canal, surrounding sawahs, seepage, spring, and/or upland fields

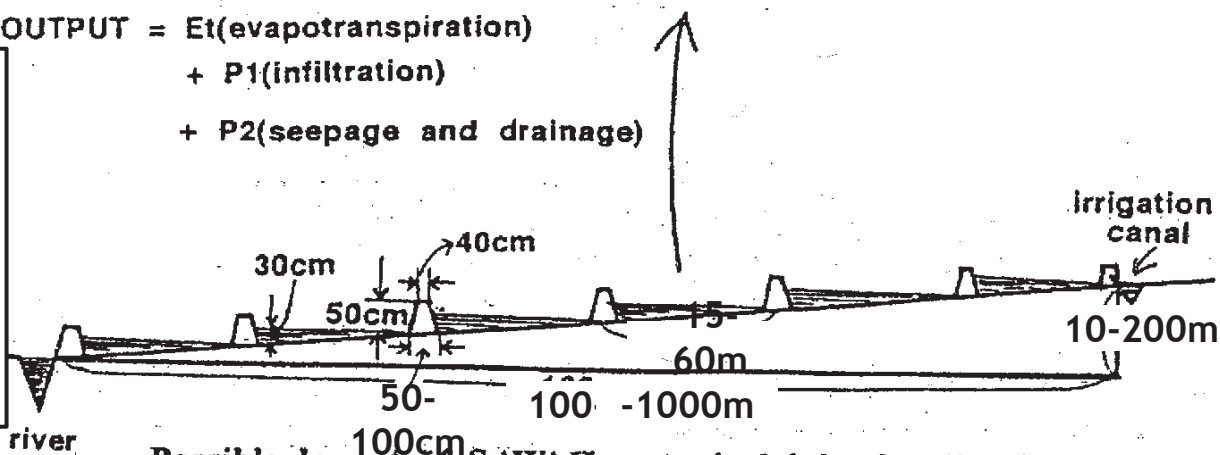
Drainage canal, or surrounding sawahs

D = Depth of water

INPUT = R (rainfall) + Q1 (seepage and irrigation)

OUTPUT = Et (evapotranspiration) + P1 (infiltration) + P2 (seepage and drainage)

Quality of a Sawah was determined by the quality of leveling, bunding, puddling, and inlet/ outlet of water including ground water control functions, even if the same farmer, soil, and climate



Possible layout of SAWAH on typical inland valley bottom slope in West Africa

Figure . Sawah: A leveled, bunded, and puddled rice field with inlet of irrigation and outlet to drainage, thus control water and weeds as well as manage nutrients

New Sawah development in Biemso No.1 by Farmer to farmer with SRI backstopping



## WHAT IS POWER TILLER?

The power tiller is a multipurpose hand tractor designed primarily for rotary tilling and other operations on small farms. (Fashola and Ademiluyi, 2007)

Power tiller is the only power driven tool that is effectively being used for “Sawah” activities currently in Nigeria and Ghana.

It can carry out the following operations:

Ploughing, Puddling, Levelling, Bund making, Canal digging and Smoothing.  
It can also be used for transportation and powering post harvest equipments



# Collaborative research in machinery application







UN - IAS On-the-job training in Bida with Quick Kubota Power tiller on the 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 - 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.







Training Returnees with Sawah Eco-technology for dry season in Tissi - Haraze, Mangagne, Republic of Chad. Massamagne, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 - till date. Pump irrigated rice fields of **Sawah Eco-technology** with a square bund of 20 - 25m with good bund making, leveling, puddling and water management.





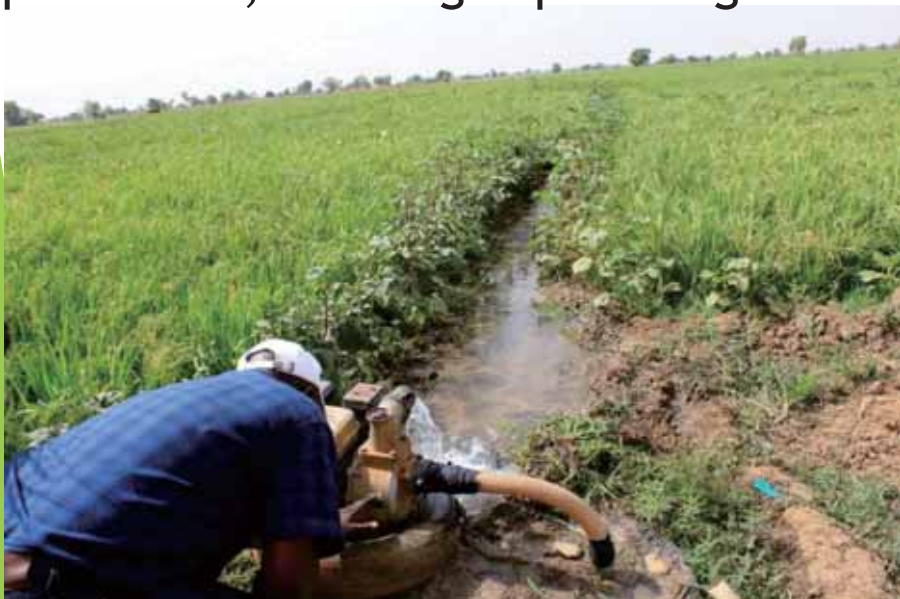
Transplanted Basins in Tissi - Haraze, Mangagne, Republic of Chad.

The Sawah system is the basic infrastructure for intensive and sustainable rice production for rice farmers (Kebbi 1<sup>st</sup> Year, 2011)





Sokoto, Kebbi, Borno, Nigeria, May-Sep, 2011. Pump irrigated rice & vegetable fields of **Rudimentary Sawah** with a square of side 3-8 m. Weedy rice field before Sawah technology, because of poor water use efficiency by poor bund, leveling & puddling





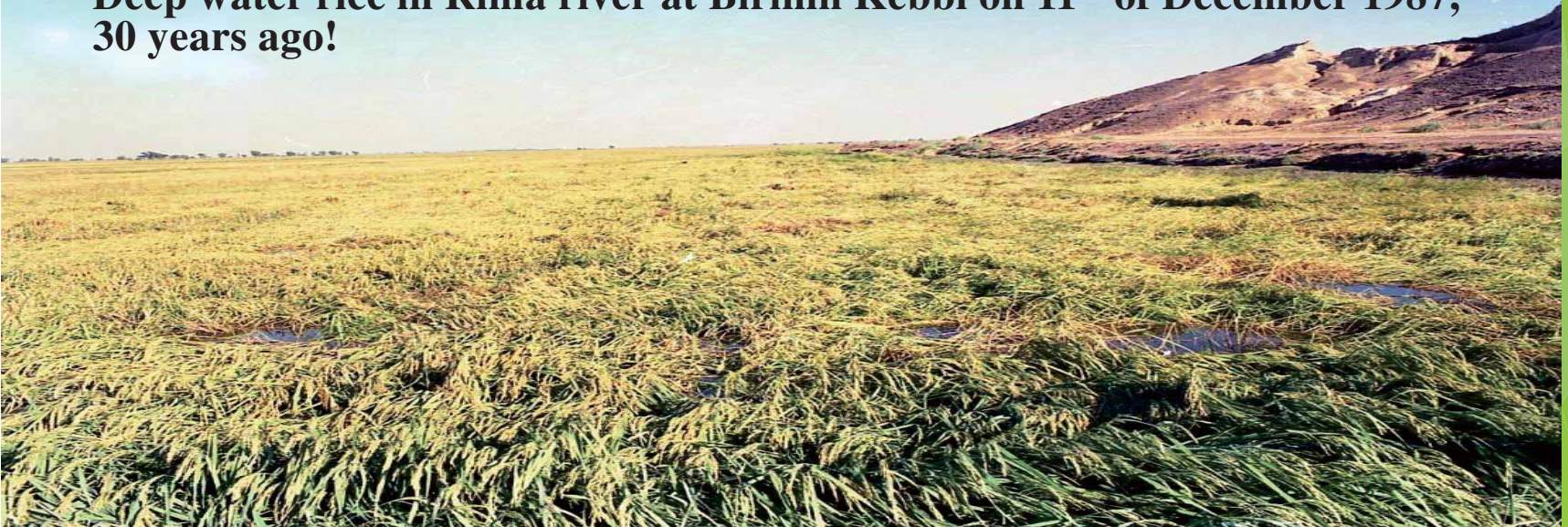
**Fig, Sawah technology training and demonstration at Haraze, border town of Central Africa Republic, and Tissi, border of Sudan, during December 2015 to April 2016**



**AR3 site area in 1987. Photo is young Dr. Oyediran**



**Deep water rice in Rima river at Birinin Kebbi on 11<sup>th</sup> of December 1987, 30 years ago!**





Visit of Kubota team from Indonesian to NCAM for the testing of G1000 Boxer Power tiller in Nigeria soil.





Sensitization of farmers and demonstration of Indonesian G1000 Boxwer's in Kebbi State for ploughing and puddling. Plough can help bunding (10<sup>th</sup> Jul 2015).







Using G 1000 boxer power tiller for scooping of an existing canal.



An already transplanted of a well prepared field with G 1000 boxer power tiller.



Indonesian G1000 Boxwer's puddler, leveler and plough. Plough can help bunding (24<sup>th</sup> Jul 2015), Niger State, Nigeria





Indonesian G1000 Boxer can move soil 25m for leveling(10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015)



**Kebbi Rice Revolution:** ① 2011-12: 20ha Sawah produced 120 tons of paddy, ② 2013/14, 22 sets of powertillers were bought by farmers to develop 326ha sawah and 2100 tons paddy, ③ Kebbi state Governor bought 1000 set of power tillers in 2014 to supply farmers to develop >10,000ha of sawah and produce >100,000 tons of paddy



**15 ha of sawah developed by Mr. Abdullahi Maigandu Arugungu**

**June 2014**

**35 ha of sawah developed by Alh. Bello Baidu at Bagudo, Niger river floodplain**



# THANKS FOR LISTENING.

