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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TECHNOLOGY VALIDATION

1.0. Advanced Lines Adaptive Research Trial (ALART)

1.1. T. Aman 2022. Superior High Yielding Rice-1 (SHR-1): Five superior high yielding advanced lines i.e., BRH15-24-7B, BRH13-1-9-7B, BRH13-2-4-7-2B, BRH10-1-14-6-2B, BR10247-4-7-4B, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRi dhan57 and Jirashail in 11 different locations. Average grain yield of the three advanced lines BRH15-24-7B, BRH13-1-9-7B and BRH13-2-4-7-2B were 5.02, 5.07 and 4.99 t/ha respectively which was identical. These three advanced lines produced significantly higher grain than both the check varieties (as a check BRRi dhan57 and Jirashail produced 4.33 and 3.91 t/ha grain yield respectively). But growth duration of all the advanced lines was 4 to 6 days higher than the check varieties. Irregularities were found both at flowering and maturity stages and uneven plant height in all the advanced lines. Uneven Plant height was found in all the advanced lines. Lodging was found in all the tested entries in 2 locations (West byde, BRRi Gazipur and Pirganj, Rangpur). The advanced line V3 may be considered for PVT which was shown comparatively lower irregularities both at flowering and maturity stage. But this line should be uniform at at flowering & maturity stage. Proposed line should also be lodging tolerance.

1.2. T. Aman 2022. Superior High Yielding Rice-2 (SHR-2): Five superior high yielding advanced lines i.e., BR9392-1-9-7-5B; BR10247-14-18-4; BR9392-40-50-1B; IR12A-177 and BR10238-5-1-4-2, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRi dhan62 and BRRi dhan75. The entries were evaluated in eleven different locations of the country. Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components. Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (4.79 t/ha) was obtained in BRRi dhan75 (Std. Ck) followed by IR12A-177 (4.67 t/ha), BR10238-5-1-4-2 (4.53 t/ha), BR9392-1-9-7-5B (4.25 t/ha), BR10247-14-18-4 (4.18 t/ha), BR9392-40-50-1B (3.95 t/ha) and BRRi dhan62 (ck) (3.92 t/ha). Compared to standard checks the mean growth duration of lines V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B, V4= IR12A-177, V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2 were 2-9 days longer than BRRi dhan75 (Ck). Highest growth duration was observed in V4= IR12A-177 (119 days) line and lowest was observed in BRRi dhan62 (106 days). Lodging incidence was observed in all tested lines at West Bide, BRRi Gazipur and Irregular flowering and maturity (mixture 5-30%) in case of V1, V3, V4, V5 lines were found in 7 locations of Rangpur, Dinajpur, Kustia, Meherpur and Satkhira. False smut was recorded in all tested lines in several locations. Regarding other phenotypic and yield components parameter, there are no significant advantages observed in lines compared to check varieties and not recommended for PVT.

1.3. T. Aman 2022. ALART, Drought Tolerant Rice (DTR): Two drought tolerant advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41 along with BRRi dhan71 and BRRi dhan75 as checks were evaluated in ten locations of the country. Among all the tested genotypes, the check variety BRRi dhan71 produced statistically higher mean yield (4.78 t/ha) than both of the two advance lines. Interaction effect of genotypes and environments (location) was highly significant. Growth durations were not significantly varied among the entries due to environmental effect. Mean growth duration of the highest mean yielder check variety BRRi dhan71 was 111 days. On the other hand, mean growth duration of the two advanced lines (BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41) was 110 and 112 days respectively. The mean growth duration of the other checks variety BRRi dhan75 was 108 days, which was 2-4 days shorter than the two advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41. Besides, the advanced lines grains were bold type compare to the check variety V4 (BRRi dhan75) and flowering was irregular. Therefore, none of the entries was recommended for PVT.

1.4. T. Aman 2022. ALART, Premium Quality Rice (PQR): Two advanced rice genotypes BR8493-3-5-1-P1 and BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2 having premium qualities were evaluated in 7 (seven) different locations of the country along with the two check varieties. The highest mean grain yield (4.44 t ha^{-1}) was obtained in the advanced genotype BR8493-3-5-1-P1 which was statically higher than both the check variety BRRi dhan34 (2.98 t ha^{-1}) and BRRi dan70 (3.84 t ha^{-1}) and the lowest (2.98 t ha^{-1}) was in BRRi dhan34. The highest plant height was observed in case of BRRi dhan34 (135 cm). Both the tested entries were significantly shorter than check variety BRRi dhan34 and also than BRRi dhan70. The tested entries had less lodging tendency due to shorter plant height. Thousand grain weight of both the tested entries was significantly higher than BRRi dhan34. It indicated that grain size and shape of the tested genotypes were not superior to the check variety BRRi dhan34. The phenotypic acceptance of both entries V1 and V2 was very much poor with semi droopy and curled leaves. None of the advanced lines were found for recommendation as PVT.

1.5. T. Aman 2022. ALART, Salt Tolerant Rice (STR): Three salt tolerant advanced lines: BR11712-4R-218, BR11716-4R-102, BR11723-4R-172 along with BRRi dhan73 (Tol. Ck) and BRRi dhan87(Sus. Ck) were evaluated in ten locations. The highest salinity was measured in Satkhira district among the selected locations. Among the genotypes, the highest mean grain yield (4.71 tha^{-1}) was obtained in BR11716-4R-102 followed by BR11712-4R-218(4.47 tha^{-1}), BR11723-4R-172(4.32 tha^{-1}), BRRi dhan87(4.24 tha^{-1}) and BRRi dhan73(3.66 tha^{-1}). The growth duration of the line BR11716-4R-102 (121days) was one day earlier than BRRi dhan73(122 days) and 6 days earlier than BRRi dhan87. There was significant difference observed in plant height and its range was about 103 cm to 127 cm 1000-grain weight of tested line BR11723-4R-172 (24.58gm) was the highest and lowest was found in tested line BRRi dhan73 (21.60gm). The advanced BR11716-4R-102 could be recommended for PVT if the irregularity of flowering and maturity can be corrected by any means.

1.6. T. Aman 2022. Re- ALART, Long duration Submergence tolerance rice: Two advanced lines; BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 and IR13F441 along with BRRi dhan44 (Sus. Ck) and BRRi dhan52 (Tol. Ck) as checks were tested at farmers' field in 10 representative locations of the country. Irrespective of genotypes and locations, both the advanced lines (BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 and IR13F441) gave almost similar higher yields (4.89 tha^{-1} & 4.92 tha^{-1} respectively) than the two check varieties BRRi dhan44 (4.31 tha^{-1}) and BRRi dhan52 (4.49 t ha^{-1}) (table 6). Mean growth duration over 10 locations of the advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 (entry no. 1) was 147 days which was higher than the check variety BRRi dhan52 (143 days) and BRRi dhan44 (146 days) (Table 6). The tallest plant height was 159 cm found in the entry no.1 in Gazipur. However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the check variety BRRi dhan52 & in advanced line IR13F441 (117 cm). The mean highest 1000-grain weight (29.47 g) was found in entry no.1 followed by BRRi dhan44 (28.14 g), BRRi dhan52 (27.04 g). Although Both of the advanced line gave higher yields than the check varieties but farmers like the advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 due to higher plant height, Bold grain which is preferred by the people of Barishal region and also less susceptible to disease and insect. Therefore, BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 was recommended for PVT for Barishal region.

1.7. B. Aman 2022. ALART, Deep water Rice (DWR): Six advanced breeding lines for deep flooded condition such as BR10230-7-19-2B, BR9892-6-2-2B, BR9376-6-2-2B, BR9392-6-2-1B, BR-KM(Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B and BR-DL(Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B with Fulkori (local ck.) as checks were tested in seven different locations. All the advanced lines and check varieties were damaged and were not suitable for data collection in two locations; Cumilla and Habiganj. No flood was occurred in Manikganj. Yield of all the advanced lines was significantly higher than the check variety Fulkori (2.02 t ha^{-1}). Among the advanced lines entry no. 1 and 4 yielded grains over 3.0 tons (3.06 and 3.0 t ha^{-1} respectively). Other advanced lines BR9892-6-2-2B, BR9376-6-6-2B and BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B also gave statistically significant higher yield (2.49 , 2.52 and 2.28 t ha^{-1} respectively). Mean growth duration of BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B

and Fulkori (ck) was 173 days which was late by one week than the all-other advanced lines. However, irregularity was reported in all lines at Sirajganj and Gazipur trials. Therefore, farmers did not show interest on those advanced lines. These lines may be recommended for Re-ALART in more representative areas.

1.8. Boro, 2023, ALART (SHR-1): Three superior high yielding advanced breeding lines developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRi dhan81 during Boro 2023. Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (6.78 t/ha^{-1}) was obtained in BRH10-1-14-2-6 followed by BRH13-2-4-7-2B (6.75 t/ha), BRH15-24-7B (6.10 t/ha), and BRRi dhan81 (ck) (5.31 t/ha). Compared to standard check BRRi dhan81 (Ck) the mean growth duration of lines BRH10-1-14-2-6; BRH13-2-4-7-2B and BRH15-24-7B were 2-4 days longer. Highest growth duration was observed in V3= BRH15-24-7B (148 days) line and lowest was observed in standard check BRRi dhan81 (144 days). The highest plant height was 92 cm found in the V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6; V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B and V4= BRRi dhan81 (ck) followed by the advanced line V3=BRH15-24-7B (86 cm). The lowest 1000 grain weight of tested lines was found in V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B (18.44 gm), & V3=BRH15-24-7B (19.07 gm) and the highest TGW was found in BRRi dhan81 (20.98 gm). Considering yield, yield contributing characters, growth duration, disease reactions and phenotypic acceptance, V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6 & V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B may be recommended for PVT after confirmation of uniform maturity.

1.9. Boro, 2023, ALART (SHR-2): Three superior high yielding rice (SHR-2) advanced lines i.e., BRH11-2-4-7B, BRH13-2-4-2-1B and BRH238-5-1-4-2, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRi dhan81. The entries were evaluated in ten different locations of the country. Among the genotypes BRH11-2-4-7B, BRH238-5-1-4-2 and BRRi dhan81 gave almost similar yield but the yield of BRH11-2-4-7B is statistically higher than the others. The highest mean grain yield (6.35 t/ha^{-1}) was obtained from BRH13-2-4-2-1B followed by BRH238-5-1-4-2 (6.04 t/ha), BRH11-2-4-7B (6.03 t/ha), and BRRi dhan81 (ck) (5.88 t/ha). Compared to standard check, the mean growth duration of all the advanced lines were longer. Highest growth duration was observed in V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (152 days) line and lowest was observed in BRRi dhan81 (145 days). The highest mean plant height was 108 cm found in the V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (108cm) followed by the advanced line V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 (97 cm), V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B (96 cm) and V4=BRRi dhan81 (Ck) (90 cm). The lowest 1000-grain weight of tested lines was found in V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B (21.6 g) followed by V4=BRRi dhan81 (22g) and highest 1000 grain weight was found in V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 (23.4g). Considering the above factors and other phenotypic acceptance, insect and disease reactions, none of the tested entries were found suitable for PVT.

1.10. Boro, 2023, Re-ALART (FBR-Barishal): Four advanced lines along with one check were evaluated in twelve different locations. Irrespective of locations, the advanced line V1= BRBa1-4-9 produced the mean grain yield (7.71 t/ha) t ha^{-1} which was similar to the check variety BRRi dhan89 and the advanced line V2=BRBa14-NGR414-1, V3=BRBa 3-1-7 and V4= BRBa40-NGR1255-1 produced the mean grain yield 7.52 t/ha , 7.57 t/ha and 7.24 t/ha^{-1} respectively. The check variety BRRi dhan58 gave the lowest mean yield (6.37 t/ha) among all. The highest grain yield (7.71 t ha^{-1}) was produced by the advanced line V1= BRBa 1-4-9 followed by V3=BRBa 3-1-7 7.57 , V2=BRBa14-NGR414-1 7.52 , and BRRi dhan89 (7.50 t/ha) and the lowest mean grain yield was produced by the BRRi dhan58 (Ck) (6.37 t ha^{-1}). Mean growth duration of the advanced line V1=BRBa 1-4-9 (entry no. 1) was 154 days which was one day higher than the check variety BRRi dhan89 (153 days) but lower than another check variety BRRi dhan58 (150 days). Mean growth duration of tolerance check variety BRRi dhan89 was almost similar to the tested genotypes ranged from (150-154 days). There were no significant difference between check variety and advanced lines. So, none of the tested lines found suitable for Proposed Variety Trial (PVT).

1.11. Boro, 2023, ALART (FBR-SD): Four advanced lines, V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109 and V4= IR17A1723 supplied from Plant Breeding Division

were tested along with the check varieties V5= BRR1 dhan81 and V6= BRR1 dhan96 in 12 different locations of the country. Unfortunately, Data from Cumilla were discarded from the analysis due to severe rate damage. Among the genotypes V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109 produced significantly higher yield than both of the check varieties. The growth duration of these three lines was 5 days longer than the checks. However, some mixture was observed in V3 and V4. Less disease and insect infestation was recorded in all locations for all the tested lines. Considering all the facts and phenotypic data, the advance genotypes V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72 were recommended for PVT.

1.12. Boro 2023, Blast Resistance Rice (BRR, Re-ALART): Four blast resistance high yielding rice advanced lines such as BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 , BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11, BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 and BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 supplied by Plant Pathology Division were evaluated along with the check varieties BRR1 dhan28 and BRR1 dhan88. The entries were evaluated in ten different locations of the country. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components. Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (7.0 t/ha) was obtained in BR (Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 and BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 followed by BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 (6.8 t/ha) and BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 (6.5 t/ha). Two standard check BRR1 dhan28 and BRR1 dhan88 gave 5.4 t/ha and 6.9 t/ha respectively. Considering blast disease resistance, yield, growth duration, disease reactions and phenotypic acceptance, V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 & V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 may be recommended for PVT.

1.13. Boro 2023, ALART (Blast Resistant Rice-BRR): Four Blast Resistant advanced were evaluated against the check varieties BRR1 dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck) and BRR1 dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck) in 10 different locations of the country. The trial site of Cumilla (Devider) was severely damaged by Brown plant Hopper and results of this location was treated as experimental out layer and was not included in statistical analysis. Average grain yield of the four BRR advanced lines BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30, BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44, BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26 and BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 was 7.25, 7.38, 7.52 and 7.48 t/ha respectively which was statistically similar. But, these four advanced lines didn't produce significantly higher grain than both the check varieties. Growth duration of entry no.1, 2, 3 and the check variety BRR1 dhan29 was same which 157 days; on the other hand, growth duration of entry no.4 and the check variety was 156 days. The lowest thousand grain weight was observed in the entry no.2 (20.13 g). and that was highest in the check variety BRR1 dhan89 (23.45 g). More lodging tolerance was observed in V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 than the other entries. Uniformity of flowering and maturity were observed in the entries of V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. Blast resistant Pi9 gene is present both the V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. In addition, Blast resistant Pb1 gene is present in V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 entry. Besides, both the entries have Tungru virus resistant gene. Therefore, the entry no 2 i.e., BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & entry no.4 i.e., BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 were recommended for PVT.

1.14. Boro, 2023, ALART (FBR-MD): Two advanced breeding lines IR12A173 and IR17A1694 which were suitable for favorable Boro rice growing eco-system having medium growth duration along with BRR1 dhan58 and BRR1 dhan96 as checks were tested at twelve locations under irrigated rice eco-system. Among the all locations, the check variety BRR1 dhan58 produced the highest grain yield (8.98 t/ha) at Singra upazila of Rajshahi whereas the tested entry IR12A173 produced 7.36 t/ha at same location. The mean grain yield of tested entry IR12A173 (6.72 t/ha) was not significantly higher than the check variety BRR1 dhan58 (6.73 t/ha) nor BRR1 dhan96 (6.73 t/ha). The mean grain yield of the tested entry IR17A1694 produced significantly lower yield (6.45 t/ha) than both of the check variety BRR1 dhan58 (6.73 t/ha) and BRR1 dhan96 (6.73 t/ha). BRR1 dhan96 was found 8 days earlier than the tested

entry IR12A173 and 5 days earlier than the entry IR17A1694 at Kustia. In Barishal, both of the tested entries showed significantly higher growth duration (139 days & 137 days) than the check variety BRR1 dhan96 (134 days). Similar results were found at Cumilla, Rajshahi, Sirajganj, Rangpur, Habiganj, Feni and Gopalganj. Considering the above factors and other phenotypic acceptance, insect and disease reactions, none of the tested entries were found suitable for PVT.

1.15. Validation trial of Polythene Covered Dry Seedbed in the late Boro growing Areas of Bangladesh during Boro 2023:

Four Varieties BRR1 dhan67, BRR1 dhan88, BRR1 dhan89 and BRR1 dhan92 were in four Upazilla of Two districts namely Gazipur (Kapasia), Narsingidhi (palash), Habiganj (Sadar, Nabiganj) during Boro 2023. Across all locations, regardless of the rice varieties used, there was a reduction in the growth duration. The average lifespan of BRR1 dhan67, 88, 89, and 92 varieties was notably shorter than the standard conditions, with durations of 130, 129, 141, and 143 days, respectively. Remarkably, there was no seedling mortality in the dry seedbed due to cold injury, a common issue during late Boro cultivation. Furthermore, the seedlings remained robust and were easily uprooted for transplanting. All seedlings were ready within 28 days, and the transplanting process was completed within 31 days after seed sowing.

1.16. Head to Head Adaptive Trial (HHAT) during T. Aman, 2022: A total of 200 Head to Head Adaptive Trials (HHAT) with eight categories depending on rice growing eco-system were conducted throughout the country under TRB project. The trials were categorized in 8 different such as Long Duration (LD) rice variety (Swarna - Growing areas), LD (Dinajpur areas), LD (Rangpur areas), LD (Mymensingh areas), Short growth duration rice variety, Coastal Ecosystem (CE), Flash Flood Submergence (FFS) and Tidal Submergence (TS).

In HHAT (LD-Swarna), BRR1 dhan87 was found as highest yielder (5.61 t/ha) having growth duration 127 days. (LD-Dinajpur), BRR1 dhan80 was found as highest yielder (4.63 t/ha) having growth duration 133 days followed by BRR1 dhan70 (4.63 t/ha). In the category HHAT (LD-Rangpur), BRR1 dhan87 produced the highest grain yield (5.71 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days only. In HHAT (LD-Mymensingh), BRR1 dhan49 produced the highest grain yield (5.70 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days. BRR1 dhan87 and BRR1 dhan94 produced the statistically similar yield and the similar growth duration respectively.

In the category HHAT (SD), average highest yield of Binadhan-17 was recorded 5.57 t/ha followed by BRR1 dhan75 producing grain yield 5.40 t/ha. Binadhan-22 also performed well (5.35 t/ha). In Coastal Ecosystem (CE) areas, the average highest yield was in BRR1 dhan79 (5.28t/ha) followed by BR10 (5.04 t/ha) with longest 146 days growth duration. Among the Flash flood submergence tolerant var. BR11 produced the highest mean yield (5.35 t/ha) having the GD 144 days followed by BRR1 dhan52 producing grain yield 5.30 t/ha with 147 days growth duration. Among the Tidal Submergence tolerant var. BRR1 dhan76 produced the highest mean yield 5.27 t/ha having the GD 155 days followed by BRR1 dhan52 producing grain yield 5.04 t/ha with 143 days growth duration.

1.17. Head to Head Adaptive Trial (HHAT) during Boro 2023: A total of 200 Head to Head Adaptive Trials (HHAT) with five categories depending on rice growing eco-system were conducted throughout the country such as Short growth duration rice variety (SD), Long growth duration rice variety (LD); Saline Ecosystem (SE), Haor Ecosystem (HAE), and Hill Eco-system (HE). The top yielder in HHAT (SD) was BRR1 dhan88 (6.71 t/ha), with a growth period of 140 days, followed by BRR1 dhan74 and Binadhan-25 (6.67 & 6.66 t/ha). BRR1 Dhan28 had the lowest yield (5.83 t/ha), however. The highest grain yield in the HHAT (LD) category was achieved by BRR1 dhan102 (7.79 t/ha), followed by BRR1 dhan92 (7.67 t/ha). The lowest yield (6.47 t/ha) and shortest growing period (142 days) were both achieved by Binadhan-24. A single Boro regions BRR1 dhan96 (6.67 t/ha) cultivar was identified as the most suited cultivar

in Haor areas, having the shortest growth period of 136 days and the ability to combat early flash flood, a significant issue in those places.

The most productive salt-tolerant variety, BRRI dhan99, with a mean yield of 6.79 t/ha and a GD of 146 days. With the same growth period, BRRI dhan97 also performed well, with an average grain yield of 6.27 t/ha. In the saline eco-system, BRRI dhan28 produced a very poor yield (Table 8). The neck blast that injured BRRI dhan28 caused a reduction in yield. The growth period of BRRI dhan67 was comparable to that of BRRI dhan28 and it could be grown with the least amount of irrigation. The highest yielder in hilly areas was BRRI dhan74 (6.69 t/ha) in HHAT, followed by Bangabandhu dhan100 (6.35 t/ha) With a grain yield of 6.19 t/ha in a hilly eco-system, BRRI dhan88 also did well. In steep locations, irrigation water was extremely scarce.

Among the salt tolerant var. BRRI dhan99 produced the highest mean yield (6.79 t/ha) having the GD 146 days followed BRRI dhan97 also performed well and average grain yield was (6.27 t/ha) with same growth duration. Very much poor yield was observed for BRRI dhan28 in saline eco-system BRRI dhan28 was affected by neck blast and this is why yield hampered. The growth duration of BRRI dhan67 was at par BRRI dhan28 and could be cultivated with minimum irrigation.

In hilly rice eco-system, BRRI dhan74 was the highest yielder (6.69t/ha) in HHAT under followed by Bangabandhu dhan100 (6.35 t/ha). BRRI dhan88 also performed well in hilly eco-system, which produced grain yield (6.19 t/ha) having only 142 days growth duration. Irrigation water was scarce at hilly areas, and very often surface water was used for irrigation.

2. TECHNOLOGY DISSEMINATION

2.0 Seed production and dissemination program (SPDP): Scientists of ARD conducted different demonstration trials and involved in different promotional activities for rapid dissemination of BRRI developed technologies. Among them, SPDP was very important activity where BRRI developed different promising rice varieties were demonstrated at farmers' field in different seasons for rapid dissemination. SPDPs were conducted in collaboration of DAE.

2.1. Special SPDP at Bhola district during B. Aus, 2022: Seed Production and dissemination Program (SPDP) in B. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of Bhola district. BRRI dhan83 was used as cultivar. A total of 6 demonstrations were established in six upazilas of Bhola. A total of 3,114 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 258 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers for the next year use. A total of 72 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.2. Seed production and dissemination program in Jhum cultivation during B. Aus, 2022: Forty-two Seed Production and Dissemination Program (SPDP) in B. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of three Hill Tract districts like Bandarban, khagrachari and Rangamati where BRRI dhan83 was used in the program. A total of 19,236 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 1890 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers for the next year use. A total of 378 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.3. Seed production and dissemination program during T. Aus, 2022: Seed Production and dissemination Program T. Aus 2022 were conducted in 29 upazilas of 10 districts of the country. A total of 70 demonstrations were conducted where three modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98 were used as cultivar. Among the varieties, BRRI dhan98 produced the highest mean grain yield 5.0 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRI dhan48 (4.9 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean rice grain yield was 4.3 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan82. BRRI dhan98 gave the highest yield 4.0 t/ha followed by BRRI dhan48 and the yield was 3.8 t/ha. Total grain production of BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98 were 5287 kg, 16108 kg and 23573 kg respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98 were 325 kg, 1425 kg and 2655 kg respectively. A

total of 44968 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 4405 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation.

2.4. Seed production and dissemination program in valley during T. Aus 2022: Seed Production and dissemination Program were conducted in the Valley of 6 upazilas of 3 hill districts. Three modern rice varieties; BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98 were used in the program. A total of 18 demonstrations were established in three hill districts. A total of 11,242 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 928 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers for the next year use. A total of 153 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.5. Special program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 during T. Aus, 2022: Thirty five Special dissemination Program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 in T. Aus 2022 were conducted in 21 upazilas of 8 districts. A total of 30,205 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and Farmers did not retain any seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot be used in the next season. A total of 735 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate BRRI hybrid dhan7 in the next year.

2.6. Special program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 in valley during T. Aus, 2022: Twelve Special Dissemination Program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 in T. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of 3 hill districts. BRRI hybrid dhan7 was used in the program. A total of 9,216 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and Farmers did not retain any seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot be used in the next season. A total of 156 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate BRRI hybrid dhan7 in the next year.

2.7. Seed production and dissemination program during T. Aman, 2022: Seven hundred fourteen SPDPs in Aman 2022 were conducted in 30 upazilas of 15 districts. Twelve modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94, BRRI dhan95, BRRI hybrid dhan4 and BRRI hybrid dhan6) were used in the program. A total of 714 demonstrations were established in fifteen districts of country. Among the varieties, BRRI dhan93 produced the highest mean grain yield 6.0 t ha^{-1} followed by BRRI dhan94 (5.5 t ha^{-1}) and BRRI dhan72 (5.3 t ha^{-1}). The lowest mean rice grain yield was 4.1 t ha^{-1} in BRRI dhan75 followed by 4.3 t ha^{-1} in BRRI dhan71 and BRRI dhan78 respectively. Total grain production of BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94 and BRRI dhan95, were 1204 kg, 53394 kg, 1419 kg, 1092 kg, 1138 kg, 47786 kg, 94051 kg, 169833 kg and 21179 kg, respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94, BRRI dhan95 were 80 kg, 6206 kg, 460 kg, 6480 kg, 530 kg, 4545 kg, 8559 kg, 15334 kg, 2120 kg, 400 kg and 10309 kg respectively. A total of 4,77,273 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 55,023 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers for the next year cultivation. A total of 13,569 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.8. Performance of BRRI hybrid dhan4 and BRRI hybrid dhan6 in different locations during T. Aman 2022: Forty-six demonstrations were conducted during T. Aman 2022 at 23 upazilas of 13 districts using two hybrid rice varieties (BRRI hybrid dhan4 and BRRI hybrid dhan6). A total of 13,923 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. About 1525 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing were and around 874 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.9. Seed Production and Dissemination Program during T. Aman, 2022 under TRB: A total of 78 SPDPs were conducted in 16 upazila of 13 districts under TRB project during Aman 2022. BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan73, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan80 and BRRI dhan87 were demonstrated in the SPDPs. A total of 56,538 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated

plots and 9,120 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers for the next year use. A total of 970 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year.

2.10. Seed production and dissemination program during (SPDP) during Boro 2023:

Dissemination program were conducted in 28 upazilas of 14 districts. Ten modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81, BRRI dhan84, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89, BRRI dhan92, BRRI dhan96, BRRI dhan99 and Bangabondhu dhan100) were used in the program. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 736 demonstrations were established in fourteen districts of Bangladesh. Among the varieties, BRRI dhan92 produced the highest mean grain yield 7.7 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRI dhan89 (7.5 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean rice grain yield was 6.2 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan67 followed by 6.3 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81 and BRRI dhan99 respectively. A total of 798265 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 110817 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation. About 43903 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 15889 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year. BRRI dhan92 and BRRI dhan89 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher yield. Bangabondhu dhan100 and BRRI dhan96 was also preferred by the farmers for its higher paddy production, good taste, quality grain and shorter life cycle.

2.11. Special program of BRRI hybrid dhan3 and BRRI hybrid dhan5 during Boro, 2023:

Fifty-six special dissemination programs of BRRI hybrid dhan3 and BRRI hybrid dhan5 during Boro 2023 were conducted in 28 upazilas of 14 districts. A total of 27199 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. About 1175 farmers acquired awareness and gained knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 542 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate BRRI hybrid dhan3 in the next year. BRRI hybrid dhan3 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher grain yield.

2.12. Seed Production and Dissemination Program during Boro 2023 under TRB: A total of 30 SPDPs were conducted in 16 upazila of 10 different districts under varied rice growing eco-system of the country funded by Transforming Rice Breeding project managed by Adaptive Research Divisio. BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan84, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89, BRRI dhan92 and Bangabandhu dhan100 were used in the SPDP. Irrespective of varieties and locations, BRRI dhan92 gave the highest yield (7.50 t/ha) in Monohordi, Norsigdhi while the lowest yield (5.10 t ha⁻¹) obtained in BRRI dhan84 at Shibganj, Bagura. Total production of all the varieties was 75729 kg from which 4319 kg was retained as seeds (9 % of total production) by the farmers for next season cultivation. About 6750 farmers gained awareness and knowledge about the varieties and 1253 farmers (23% of total farmers) were motivated to cultivate the varieties.

3. PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

3.1. Farmers' training: During the reporting period 71 farmer's training executed by ARD under GoB and TRB. ARD conducted 60 farmer's training under GoB and six under TRB project at different locations of the country. A total of 2130 trainees (1,923 farmers and 207 SAAOs of DAE) were participated in those Farmers' trainings during the reporting period of 2022-23.

3.2 Field day: A total of 71 Field days were conducted by ARD and TRB-ARD during the reporting period. ARD conducted a total of 60 Field days at different locations in different seasons of the country under GoB and TRB Project conducted a total of 11 Field days at different locations in different seasons of the country. Around 7700 participants including farmers, local leaders and DAE personnel participated in those field days.

3.3 Farmers' Seed Centre: A total of 3 seed centers for farmers were established at different project implementing areas of the country. Six plastic drums were supplied by project cost in

each center. Around 80 kg seeds were preserved in each drum, as a result a total of nearly 1500 kg seeds were preserved properly by the farmers themselves.

3.4 Seed support program: A total of 1.40 tons of seeds were distributed among different stakeholders such as farmers, NGO workers and BRRI employees with free of cost under TRB project in T. Aman 2022 season and 1.10 ton truthfully labeled seeds (TLS) of modern rice varieties in Boro 2022-23 to the farmers and stakeholders under TRB project.

3.5 Seed Production at BRRI Farm: A total of 4480 kg quality seeds of BRRI varieties were produced at BRRI farms during T. Aman 2022 and Boro 2023 which were used to conduct research activities and dissemination program.

DETAIL REPORT

1. TECHNOLOGY VALIDATION

1.0. Advanced Line Adaptive Research Trial (ALART)

Introduction: The Advanced Line Adaptive Research Trial (ALART) was conducted to test the yield potential and adaptability of advanced breeding lines at farmers' field under different agro-ecological conditions of the country and to generate the feedback about the advantages and disadvantages of the advanced lines from extension workers and farmers. This is an important step towards variety development. The trials were conducted in collaboration with the scientists of BRRI Regional Stations and DAE personnel. Tested materials were supplied by Plant Breeding and Plant Pathology Divisions.

1.1 . ALART, Superior High Yielding Rice-1 (SHR-1) during T. Aman 2022.

Rationale: Superior High Yielding Rice (SHR) means its superiority having fine grain type and lower growth duration. Those lines must have higher grain yield than existing local and modern rice varieties along with fine grain shape and medium growth duration. Now a days, fine grain type varieties have higher demand in the market throughout the country. There are many indigenous traditional aromatic rice land race varieties in Bangladesh. Jirashail is one of the indigenous, traditional aromatic rice of Bangladesh. Farmers are interested with Jirashail for its fine grain and higher market price. BRRI has not released any variety as like Jirasail in respect of grain shape and aroma. With this view, five advanced lines were evaluated in different agro-ecological conditions of Bangladesh.

Hypothesis: There is possibility to identify and select suitable superior high yielding rice genotypes for T. aman season.

Materials and Methods: Five superior high yielding rice (SHR) advanced lines i.e., BRH15-24-7B, BRH13-1-9-7B, BRH13-2-4-7-2B, BRH10-1-14-6-2B, BR10247-4-7-4B, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRI dhan57 and Jirashail in 11 different locations of the country in T. aman 2022. The entries were evaluated in eleven locations such as Satkhira (Sadar), Dinajpur (Parbatipur), Rangpur (Pirganj), Dinajpur (Chiribandor), Gazipur (West Byde), Bogura (Sadar), Kushtia (Sadar), Meherpur (Gangni), Rajshahi (Godagari), Natore (Bagatipara), Naogaon (Mohadebpur). The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done at the date of 10 – 30 June 2022 for all the locations. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 25-30 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 24, 15, 15, 10, 1 kg Bigha⁻¹. All fertilizers were applied as basal and in addition urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Standard and uniform management practices were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components (Table 1 and 2). Average grain yield of the three SHR advanced lines BRH15-24-7B (entry no. 1), BRH13-1-9-7B (entry no. 2), BRH13-2-4-7-2B (entry no. 3) was 5.02, 5.07 and 4.99 t/ha respectively which was

identical. These three advanced lines produced significantly higher grain than both the check varieties (as a check BRRI dhan57 and Jirashail produced 4.33 and 3.91 t/ha grain yield respectively). BRH13-1-9-7B (entry no. 2), gave the highest yield in four locations, out of 11 locations. Another SHR advanced line BR10247-4-7-4B (entry no. 5) produced rice grains 3.99 t/ha which was statistically similar with the check variety Jirashail (3.99 t/ha). All the SHR advanced lines except BR10247-4-7-4B (entry no. 5) and check variety BRRI dhan57 gave higher yield (1.0-1.4 t/ha) than the local check variety Jirashail (Table 1). Mean growth duration over 11 locations of five superior high yielding rice (SHR) advanced lines i.e., BRH15-24-7B (entry no. 1), BRH13-1-9-7B (entry no. 2), BRH13-2-4-7-2B (entry no. 3), BRH10-1-14-6-2B (entry no. 4), BR10247-4-7-4B (entry no. 5), was 110, 112, 111, 111 and 111 days respectively. The average lowest growth duration was found in the check variety Jirashail (106 days) followed by the check variety BRRI dhan57 (105 days). Growth duration of all the five advanced lines was significantly higher than both the check varieties i.e., BRRI dhan57 and Jirashail. Average growth duration of the check varieties were 4 to 6 days early compared to the five advanced lines (Table 1). The tallest plant was check variety Jirashail (114 cm) among all the tested entries. However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the entry no. 5 (107 cm) followed by entry no. 1 (108 cm). (Table 1). The mean plant height of entry no. 2, entry no.3 and check variety BRRI dhan57 was similar which was 111 cm. Mean 1000 grain weight of all the advanced lines significantly lower than the check varieties Jirashail (18.02 g; ranging from 16.47-20.00g) and BRRI dhan57 (17.81 g; ranging from 16.1-19.73). Although, in case of 1000 grain weight the differences among all the advanced lines and check varieties was not big (Table 2). Panicle production per square meter, grains per panicle and sterility percentage was significantly affected by the interaction of genotypes and environments (Table 2). All the advanced lines produced significantly lower panicles/m² than the check variety BRRI dhan57. The check variety BRRI dhan57 produced the highest number of mean panicles/m² (267) followed by entry no. 5 (263), Jirashail (244), entry no. 1 (243) entry no. 2 (238) entry no. 3 (233) and entry no. 4 (230) and entry no. 2 (301). The highest filled grains/panicle were found in the entry no. 3 i.e., advanced line BRH13-2-4-7-2B (154) followed by BRH15-24-7B (144) and BRH10-1-14-6-2B (143). Entry no.1, entry no. 2, entry no. 3 and entry no. 4 produced significantly higher grains/panicle over the check varieties (BRRI dhan57 and Jirashail). The lowest filled grains/panicle was found in the check variety Jirashail (105) followed by the entry no. 5 (119) (Table 2). However, there were no significant differences for filled grains/panicle between entry no.5 and the check variety BRRI dhan57. Although advanced line BRH15-24-7B, BRH13-1-9-7B, BRH13-2-4-7-2B and BRH10-1-14-6-2B produced significantly higher filled grains/panicle than the check varieties, but higher sterility was found in these advanced lines than the check varieties. The highest spikelets sterility percentage (33) was found in the entry no.2 followed by the entry no.3 (32), entry no. 1 (31) and entry no. 4 (30). The lowest spikelet sterility percentage was found in the check varieties Jirashail (23) followed by entry no. 5 (25) and BRRI dhan57 (26).

Morphological view of all the advanced lines was good. 15-25% uneven flowering, uneven maturity and uneven plant height were observed in all the advanced lines. However, comparatively lower uneven flowering and maturity were observed in the entry no. 3 (Table 3). Phenotypic acceptance score was good in the vegetative phase and that was 3 for all the tested advanced lines (Table 3), but at the maturity stage phenotypic acceptance score was not good for all the tested entries. Flag leaves were erect for all the tested entries except the local check Jirashail (semi droopy).

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. Stem borer infestation (1-10%) was found in all the tested entries in 2 to 5 trial site. BPH infestation (3%) was found in all the advanced lines only in one trial site, but BPH infestation (1-5%) was found in 2 trial site in both the check varieties. Leaf folder (01%) was found in all the tested entries only in one location. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary (Table 4).

Disease infestation: Bacterial leaf blight infection was 1-3% in all the advanced lines including the check varieties in 2 locations. Sheath blight (1-10%) was found in all the tested entries except the local check Jirashail in some locations. Brown spot infested (3%) all tested entries in one location. Tungro disease was reported (1%) only in one location in the entry no. 4 and in the both check varieties (Table 5).

Lodging records: 80-100 % lodging was found in all the tested entries in two tested sites. i.e., West byde, BRRRI Gazipur and Pirganj, Rangpur .

Farmers' choice and feedback of DAE personnel: Farmers and extension personnel showed their interest for entry no. 1, 2 and 3 for its higher grain yield, fine grain shape. But they didn't like these advanced lines for its 4-6 higher growth duration compared to check varieties BRRRI dhan57 and Jirashail. And also for present of mixture in these advanced lines.

Recommendation: The advanced line V3 (comparatively lower irregularities was found both at flowering and maturity stages i.e. 10-15% in case of V3) could be consider for PVT after must making the advanced line uniform both at flowering & maturity stage, uniformity in Plant height and lodging tolerance.

Rationale of recommendation:

1. Yield advantage was observed in V1, V2 and V3 advanced lines compared to check varieties.
2. But growth duration of all the advanced lines were 4 to 6 days higher than the check varieties.
3. Irregularities were found both at flowering and maturity stages and uneven plant height in all the advanced lines.
4. Uneven Plant height was found in all the advanced lines.
5. Lodging was found in all the tested entries in 2 locations (West byde, BRRRI Gazipur and Pirganj, Rangpur).

Table 1. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations											Mean
	Sadar Satkhira	Parbatipur Dinajpur	Pirganj Rangpu	Chiribandor Dinajpur	WB Gazipur	Sadar Bogura	Sadar Kustia	Gangni Meherpur	Godagari Rajshahi	Bagatipara Natore	Mohadebpur Naogaon	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)												
V1=BRH15-24-7B	5.27	4.19	3.96	4.98	4.78	5.94	5.11	5.65	6.33	4.46	4.57	5.02
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	4.71	5.05	3.61	5.21	4.81	6.06	5.13	5.28	5.94	5.02	4.94	5.07
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	5.84	3.9	4.04	5.35	5.17	5.98	4.81	5.37	5.75	4.29	4.37	4.99
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	5.67	4.05	4.61	5.35	4.14	4.99	5.13	4.9	5.47	3.98	4.35	4.79
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	4.03	3.11	3.64	4.95	3.3	3.35	3.7	4.58	4.17	3.99	4.14	3.91
V6=Zirashail (CK)	3.84	2.88	3.35	4.28	3.88	4.48	3.65	4.22	4.85	3.3	4.3	3.91
V7=BRRRI dhan57(CK)	4.4	3.55	4.43	4.74	3.65	4.85	3.79	5.09	4.82	4.21	4.15	4.33
LSD_{0.05}	0.67											0.2
CV%	9.04											
Growth duration (days)												
V1=BRH15-24-7B	108	108	114	112	113	109	111	108	111	110	109	110
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	108	109	114	110	113	120	110	107	112	113	113	112
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	108	109	112	110	113	109	115	104	112	112	112	111
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	108	107	111	109	111	120	112	103	113	117	111	111

V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	107	106	110	109	112	120	115	108	110	111	111	111
V6=Zirashail (CK)	103	104	106	104	107	107	112	103	102	107	107	106
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	103	104	105	103	108	107	107	103	108	114	110	107
LSD_{0.05}	0.94											0.28
CV%	0.53											
Plant height (cm)												
V1=BRH15-24-7B	103	100	108	96	115	107	97	104	116	117	121	108
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	108	105	108	104	119	107	101	108	119	114	127	111
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	109	102	110	102	117	109	98	108	124	117	125	111
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	111	101	103	104	120	108	102	106	122	110	124	110
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	106	104	99	98	119	109	96	105	116	110	118	107
V6=Zirashail (CK)	116	108	105	105	125	105	102	115	125	121	123	114
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	111	106	105	105	120	109	97	111	123	114	120	111
LSD_{0.05}	3.71											1.12
CV%	2.08											

Table 2. Yield contributing characters of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations											Mean
	Sadar Satkhira	Parbatipur Dinajpur	Pirganj Rangpu	Chirbandor Dinajpur	WB Gazipur	Sadar Bogura	Sadar Kustia	Gangni Meherpur	Godagari Rajshahi	Bagatipara Natore	Mohadebpur Naogaon	
1000 grain grain weight (g)												
V1=BRH15-24-7B	16.1	17.53	16.07	16.77	16.16	20.67	16.92	15.93	15.59	17.01	15.45	16.75
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	15.27	17.9	17.13	17.8	15.85	21.00	16.24	16.64	16.43	16.77	15.38	16.95
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	15.8	17.93	16.77	18.03	15.98	20.07	15.75	15.41	16.36	17.21	16.16	16.86
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	15	16.93	17.2	17.3	16.09	22.83	16.58	16.52	15.89	16.1	16.51	17
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	16.6	16.87	14.37	17.03	16.8	20.63	16.78	18.62	17.41	16.76	16.76	17.15
V6=Zirashail (CK)	17.17	19.23	16.57	19.73	17.33	20	18.47	18.38	17.71	17.18	16.47	18.02
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	16.47	19.3	18.27	18.27	18.15	19.73	16.1	18.27	17.27	17.15	16.98	17.81
LSD_{0.05}	0.81											0.24
CV%	2.9											
Number of panicles m⁻²												
V1=BRH15-24-7B	293	267	211	361	247	231	214	221	254	167	212	243
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	272	289	196	258	256	244	224	228	260	167	223	238
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	273	288	218	223	249	269	225	230	227	185	179	233
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	232	249	285	260	257	233	213	191	254	172	186	230
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	358	329	247	290	265	249	227	230	345	183	170	263
V6=Zirashail (CK)	306	292	214	268	268	260	238	226	269	171	167	244
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	281	292	196	339	286	332	235	252	362	185	175	267

LSD0.05	32.43											9.78
CV%	8.19											
	Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)											
V1=BRH15-24-7B	137	166	132	129	133	105	140	167	184	170	124	144
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	130	111	78	115	157	144	128	161	168	159	111	133
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	160	136	80	118	153	132	132	178	193	181	133	154
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	154	151	95	133	146	133	144	182	150	155	130	143
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	102	127	65	106	133	122	89	124	109	132	102	119
V6=Zirashail (CK)	88	95	99	97	104	94	91	135	129	126	96	105
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	115	128	110	124	121	117	110	138	122	128	118	121
LSD 0.05	26.33											7.94
CV%	12.42											
	Sterility%											
V1=BRH15-24-7B	16	34	42	44	43	25	37	34	21	16	31	31
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	19	41	59	41	32	16	31	33	28	27	37	33
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	15	23	64	36	43	20	35	30	26	26	34	32
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	15	25	60	29	40	21	29	23	34	23	26	30
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	16	8	47	20	29	19	29	20	28	22	37	25
V6=Zirashail (CK)	19	24	21	15	31	14	18	18	26	34	33	23
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	17	19	44	21	25	22	27	22	25	29	31	26
LSD0.05	8.54											2.57
CV%	18.65											

Table 3. Phenotypic Acceptability (PAcp) of ALART (SHR-1) in T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Characteristics						Phenotypic Acceptance Score	
	Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality with culm	Grain type	Flag leaf	Veg	Mat
V1=BRH15-24-7B	Good	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	Good	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	Good	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	Good	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	Good	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Long slender	Erect	3	5
V6=Zirashail (CK)	Fair	Mixture	Mixture	Well wrapped	Long slender	Semi droopy	3	5
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Long slender	Erect	3	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

Table 4. Insects attacked of all genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) in T. Aman 2022

Genotypes	Insects score (%)		
	YSB	BPH	Leaf Folder
V1=BRH15-24-7B	1-5% in 3 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	1-5% in 3 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	1-10% in 5 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	1-5% in 4 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	5-10% in 4 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V6=Zirashail (CK)	1-5% in 2 loc.	3-5% in 2 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	1-5% in 2 loc.	1-3% in 2 loc.	1% in 1 loc.

Table 5. Disease percentages of all genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) in T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Disease score (%)*			
	BLB	ShB	Brown Spot	Tungro
V1=BRH15-24-7B	1-3% in 2 loc.	1-10% in 3 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	---
V2=BRH13-1-9-7B	1-3% in 2 loc.	1-3% in 2 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	---
V3=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	1-3% in 2 loc.	1-10% in 3 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	---
V4=BRH10-1-14-6-2B	1-3% in 2 loc.	1-10% in 2 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V5=BR10247-4-7-4B	1-3% in 2 loc.	1-10% in 2 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	---
V6=Zirashail (CK)	1-3% in 2 loc.	--	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.
V7=BRRI dhan57(CK)	1-3% in 3 loc.	1-10% in 1 loc.	3% in 1 loc.	1% in 1 loc.

1.2 ALART, Superior High Yielding Rice-2 (SHR-2) during T. Aman 2022.

Rationale: Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) is a staple food for more than half of the world's population. To meet the ever-increasing demand for food, because of population growth and improved living standards, world rice production needs to double by 2030. Superior High Yielding Rice (SHR) means its superiority having grain shape and lower growth duration (105-120 days). The development of new elite rice varieties with high yield and superior quality is challenging for traditional breeding approaches, and new strategies need to be developed. Here, we evaluated five advanced lines along with standard checks BRRI dhan62 and BRRI dhan75. The new genotypes exhibit higher yield potential and minimum growth duration. With this view, we evaluated these superior high yielding breeding lines under integrated improved management practices in different agro-climatic conditions of Bangladesh.

Hypothesis: There is possibility to identify and select suitable superior high yielding rice genotypes for favorable environment in Aman season.

Materials and Methods: Five superior high yielding rice (SHR) advanced lines i.e., BR9392-1-9-7-5B; BR10247-14-18-4; BR9392-40-50-1B; IR12A-177 and BR10238-5-1-4-2, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRI dhan62 and BRRI dhan75 during Aman 2022. The entries were evaluated in eleven different locations of the country such as Kustia (Sadar), Meherpur (Kustia), Sarsha (Jessore), Godagari (Rajshahi), Mohadebpur (Nagaon), Bagatipara (Natore), Chirirbandar (Dinajpur), Parbotipur (Dinajpur), Peerganj (Rangpur), Sadar (Bogura), and HQ Gazipur. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done at the date of 10-15 June 2022 for all the locations. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 22-25 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 24, 15, 15, 10 and 1 kg Bigha⁻¹. All

fertilizers were applied as basal and in addition urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Standard and uniform management practices were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components. Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (4.79 t/ha) was obtained in BRRRI dhan75 (Std. Ck) followed by IR12A-177 (4.67 t/ha), BR10238-5-1-4-2 (4.53 t/ha), BR9392-1-9-7-5B (4.25 t/ha), BR10247-14-18-4 (4.18 t/ha), BR9392-40-50-1B (3.95 t/ha) and BRRRI dhan62 (ck) (3.92 t/ha). Compared to standard checks the mean growth duration of lines V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B, V4= IR12A-177, V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2 were 2-9 days longer than BRRRI dhan75 (Ck). Highest growth duration was observed in V4= IR12A-177 (119 days) line and lowest was observed in BRRRI dhan62 (106 days) (Table 6). The tallest plant height was 119 cm found in the V4= IR12A-177 followed by the advanced line V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2 (118 cm), V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B (111 cm) and V7= BRRRI dhan75 (Ck) (110 cm). However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the check variety BRRRI dhan62 and V2= BR10247-14-18-4 (106 cm) (Table 2). The lowest 1000-grain weight (TGW) of tested lines was found in BRRRI dhan75, BR10247-14-18-4, and BR9392-40-50-1B (22 gm) and the highest TGW was found in BR10238-5-1-4-2 (26 gm) (Table 7).

The average panicle m⁻² range varied from 238 to 274 and the highest mean panicle m⁻² was found in BRRRI dhan62 (274) followed by V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B (266) whereas the lowest panicle m⁻² was found in V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2 (238) (Table 2). On an average, the highest filled grains panicle⁻¹ (101) was found in V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B followed by V7= BRRRI dhan75 (Ck) (100), V2= BR10247-14-18-4 (98) (Table 7). The highest sterility % was found in in V7= BRRRI dhan75 (29%) and lowest was observed in BRRRI dhan62 (18%) (Table 7).

Phenotypic acceptance score of V2= BR10247-14-18-4, V6= BRRRI dhan62 (ck), and V7= BRRRI dhan75 (Ck) were good in respect of growth, uniformity and grain size (Table 5). In case of V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B, V3= BR9392-40-50-1B, V4= IR12A-177, and V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2 irregular flowering and maturity, semi wrapped culm, medium slender flag leaf were found.

Disease infestation: Disease infections were found in all entries including checks in some locations. False smut (1-5% in 3 loc.), Leaf Blast (10% in 5 loc.), Sheath blight (1-15% in 4 loc.), and Tungro (1-5% in 1 loc.) were reported in some entries at some locations are given below (Table 8).

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. But, in some locations Stem borer (01-10%), Rice bug (01-03%) Leaf folder (02-10%), and Rat damage (05-10%) were reported with no mentionable difference among the entries. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary. The insect infestations were similar in all the entries. (Table 9)

Farmers' choice and feedback of DAE personnel: Didn't prefer BR9392-1-9-7-5B, BR10247-14-18-4, BR9392-40-50-1B, IR12A-177 and BR10238-5-1-4-2 entry compared to BRRRI dhan62 (Ck) and BRRRI dhan75 (Ck)

Recommendation: Considering yield, growth duration and disease reactions, none of the tested lines found suitable for PVT.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Grain yield of tested lines were lower than standard checks BRRI dhan62 and BRRI dhan75
2. Average growth duration of tested lines were 10-12 days higher than check BRRI dhan62 and also 2-9 days higher than BRRI dhan75
3. Lodging incidence was observed in all tested lines at West Bide, BRRI Gazipur and Irregular flowering and maturity (mixture 5-30%) in case of V1, V3, V4, V5 lines were found in 7 locations of Rangpur, Dinajpur, Kustia, Meherpur and Satkhira
4. False smut was recorded in all tested lines in several locations
5. Regarding other phenotypic and yield components parameter, there are no significant advantages observed in lines compared to check varieties.

Table 6. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART SHR-2 during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations											
	Meherpur	Kustia Sadar	Rajshahi (Godagari)	Naogaon (Mohadebnur)	Natore (Bazatinara)	Bagura Sadar	Rangpur (Pirganj)	Dinajpur (Parbotinur)	Dinajpur (Chirbandar)	Satkhira (Kolaroa)	BRRI H/Q (Gazipur)	Mean
	Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	5.25	3.46	4.76	4.10	3.96	4.22	3.73	4.50	4.51	4.25	4.05	4.25
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	5.18	4.40	5.59	4.57	3.98	3.79	3.27	3.98	3.92	3.72	3.53	4.18
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	4.33	3.98	4.46	3.56	3.39	3.39	3.80	4.04	4.67	4.17	3.62	3.95
V4= IR12A-177	5.36	5.07	5.78	4.97	4.05	5.04	4.02	4.10	4.62	4.24	4.15	4.67
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	5.80	5.16	5.18	4.72	4.10	4.67	3.92	3.92	4.30	4.04	3.99	4.53
V6= BRRI dhan62 (ck)	4.37	4.29	4.90	3.79	3.09	4.48	3.35	3.51	3.33	3.40	4.63	3.92
V7= BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	5.22	5.34	6.60	4.86	4.28	4.43	4.10	4.20	4.10	4.13	5.41	4.79
LSD (0.05)	0.67											0.20
CV	9.37											
	Growth duration (days)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	109	111	109	110	118	118	105	106	106	106	119	111
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	102	106	101	113	100	107	105	107	109	107	112	106
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	101	105	102	112	101	112	109	108	110	109	118	107
V4= IR12A-177	110	119	116	117	121	115	122	122	122	122	120	119
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	110	119	118	111	121	115	121	121	121	121	116	118
V6= BRRI dhan62 (ck)	101	102	129	107	103	106	103	103	102	103	104	106
V7= BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	108	111	105	114	108	107	108	112	110	110	115	110
LSD (0.05)	0.97											0.29
CV	0.54											
	Plant height (cm)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	123	96	115	108	108	133	116	119	103	112	126	114
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	110	97	121	106	107	115	102	103	101	102	116	107
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	111	102	121	111	105	131	105	107	103	105	119	111
V4= IR12A-177	115	108	127	120	117	126	105	112	105	108	133	116
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	114	111	130	119	115	128	106	108	106	107	132	116
V6= BRRI dhan62 (ck)	106	100	115	99	102	105	110	116	93	106	115	106
V7= BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	110	99	119	106	101	117	104	103	100	102	120	107
LSD (0.05)	4.56											1.37
CV	2.55											

Table 7. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (SHR-2) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations											Mean
	Meherpur	Kustia Sadar	Rajshahi (Godagari)	Naogaon (Mohadebnur)	Natore (Bagatinara)	Bagura Sadar	Rangpur (Pirani)	Dinajpur (Parbotinur)	Dinajpur (Chiribandar)	Satkira (Kolaroa)	BRR I H/Q (Gazinur)	
	1000-grain weight (g)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	25.4	16.6	17.8	18.1	17.0	25.7	25.8	28.1	27.9	27.3	26.3	23
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	23.3	21.5	20.1	18.6	19.8	24.0	22.5	23.0	23.0	22.8	21.9	22
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	23.3	22.3	21.8	19.6	20.4	26.3	21.8	22.0	21.8	21.9	21.9	22
V4= IR12A-177	27.3	24.5	24.5	24.8	25.0	24.3	24.4	25.6	24.7	24.9	24.6	25
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	26.0	25.1	21.3	23.8	20.3	26.5	27.5	28.0	28.7	28.1	25.7	26
V6= BRR I dhan62 (ck)	25.1	24.4	19.7	20.8	16.4	26.0	24.2	26.0	26.4	25.5	24.8	24
V7= BRR I dhan75 (Ck)	22.9	20.5	20.3	20.5	21.0	21.3	22.0	22.9	23.3	22.7	21.0	22
LSD (0.05)	0.97											0.3
CV	2.58											
	Number of panicles m⁻²											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	238	234	328	266	194	271	309	247	327	294	216	266
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	256	239	257	251	185	260	303	257	261	274	218	251
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	238	234	242	238	185	304	221	257	423	300	212	260
V4= IR12A-177	186	239	323	249	177	273	288	253	282	274	226	252
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	226	239	288	251	167	273	241	241	241	241	208	238
V6= BRR I dhan62 (ck)	269	271	262	267	173	342	330	228	333	297	242	274
V7= BRR I dhan75 (Ck)	253	260	234	249	182	284	243	340	313	299	243	264
LSD (0.05)	27.4											8.27
CV	6.67											
	Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	28	113	122	88	118	94	102	136	116	118	81	101
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	13	86	102	67	100	108	120	125	139	128	86	98
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	16	84	111	70	107	78	101	82	78	87	90	82
V4= IR12A-177	20	90	118	76	125	84	88	109	104	100	87	91
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	20	94	107	74	99	79	70	92	64	75	85	78
V6= BRR I dhan62 (ck)	15	69	105	63	91	78	61	76	70	69	89	71
V7= BRR I dhan75 (Ck)	21	105	111	79	116	106	111	121	98	110	124	100
LSD (0.05)	20.94											6.31
CV	12.74											
	Sterility (%)											
V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	39	28	26	16	22	15	36	34	14	28	28	26
V2= BR10247-14-18-4	15	14	19	27	14	14	15	31	12	19	25	19
V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	20	18	12	26	15	16	23	16	13	17	24	18
V4= IR12A-177	28	24	21	23	21	26	33	22	33	29	25	26
V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	26	27	28	22	21	16	34	30	36	33	28	27
V6= BRR I dhan62 (ck)	15	19	18	34	18	15	19	17	11	15	19	18
V7= BRR I dhan75 (Ck)	30	25	20	29	30	23	39	29	33	34	26	29
LSD (0.05)	9.4											2.85
CV	21.34											

Table 8. Disease incidence (%) of the rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-2) during Aman 2022

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence Score		
		Sheath Blight	False Smut	Tungro
1	V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	10-15 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Satkhira, Sonagazi & Rangpur)	1-5% in Gazipur, Kustia, Bogura	-
2	V2= BR10247-14-18-4	1-5 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Satkhira, Sonagazi & Rangpur)	1-5% in Bogura	1-5% in Kustia
3	V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	5-10 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Dinajpur, Rangpur)	1-5% in Bogura	-
4	V4= IR12A-177	5-10% in Rangpur , Satkhira & Dinajpur	1-5% in Bogura	1-5% in Kustia
5	V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	1-5 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Satkhira, Rajshahi & Rangpur)	1-5% in Bogura	-
6	V6= BRRI dhan62 (ck)	1-5 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Satkhira, Rajshahi& Rangpur)	1-5% in Bogura	-
7	V7= BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	1-5 % in 4 locations (Gazipur, Satkhira, Rajshahi & Rangpur)	1-5% in Bogura	-

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 9. Insect infestation score of the rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-2) during Aman 2022.

SN	Genotype	Stem borer	Rice bug	Leaf folder	Rat Damage
1	V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	1-10% in all locations	3% in 9 location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
2	V2= BR10247-14-18-4	1-10% in all locations	1-3% in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
3	V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
4	V4= IR12A-177	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
5	V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
6	V6= BRRI dhan62 (ck)	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location
7	V7= BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	1-10 % in all location	5-10% 7 location

Table 10. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under ALART(SHR-2) during Aman 2022

SN	Genotype	Characteristics							
		Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
								Veg.	Mat.
1	V1= BR9392-1-9-7-5B	Good	Irregular	Irregular (Mixture)	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3
2	V2= BR10247-14-18-4	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
3	V3= BR9392-40-50-1B	Uneven	Irregular	Irregular (Mixture)	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
4	V4= IR12A-177	Uneven	Irregular	Irregular (Mixture)	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	3	3
5	V5= BR10238-5-1-4-2	Uneven	Irregular	Irregular (Mixture)	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	3	3
6	V6= BRRIdhan62 (ck)	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	1	3
7	V7= BRRIdhan75 (Ck)	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Long slender	Erect	1	1

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.3 ALART, Drought Tolerant Rice (DTR) during T. Aman 2022

Rationale: Rice production in Bangladesh is vulnerable to climate related hazards in rainfed regions such as drought; it's an important constraint to sustainable crop production and food security in Bangladesh. Drought occurs mainly due to low and erratic rainfall. Basically the north-western part and Barind Tract of Bangladesh is considered a drought-prone area and basically it's happened during July to September period. Drought affects rice crops at multiple growth stages such as post-transplantation and establishment stages (early drought) or transplanted aman (T. Aman: Rainfed lowland rice) where the crop is damaged in the reproductive stage (terminal drought), resulting in considerable yield loss because the rice panicle is dry due to drought. So to maintain the food security, development of drought tolerant varieties are needed for drought-prone Barind Tract and other areas of Bangladesh.

Hypothesis: Drought tolerant rice genotypes for Aman season may be identified to recommend for PVT.

Materials and method: Two drought tolerant advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32, BR10540-4-1-2-41 along with BRRIdhan71 and BRRIdhan75 as checks were evaluated in ten locations such as BRRIdhan research farm Gazipur (West byde); Taraganj and Pirganj, Rangpur; Sadar, Bogura; Sadar, Kustia; Gangni, Meherpur; Debiddar, Cumilla; Mohadevpur, Naogoan; Godagari, Rajshahi; and Nachole, Chapainabaganj during Aman 2022. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding time was varied from 1st to 2nd week of July, 2022 in different locations and seedling ages for different locations were also varied from 20-25 days. Seedlings were transplanted at 20 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers were applied at 83: 15: 56: 13.5: 2.7 kg NPKSZn/ha. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 10, 25 and 40 DAT synchronizing with rainfall. Other standard management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding and transplanting, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and maturity stage, date of flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, yield contributing

parameters were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 10 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Among all the entries including checks, the checks variety (BRRI dhan71) gave statistically higher mean yield (4.78 t/ha) than the two advance lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41 was (4.42 t/ha and 4.55 t/ha) and other check variety BRRI dhan75 (4.43 t/ha) (Table 11). Interaction effect of genotypes and environments (location) was highly significant. Across the locations, the highest grain yield (6.50 t ha⁻¹) was found in BR10540-4-1-2-41 advance line at Godagari in Rajshahi followed by other entry BR10538-2-1-2-32 (5.96 t ha⁻¹) at the same location Rajshahi (Godagari) (Table 11). BRRI dhan71 and BRRI dhan75 also gave the height grains yield (6.18 t ha⁻¹) and (5.94 t ha⁻¹) at Rajshahi (Godagari) respectively. The lowest grain yield was found in the same advance line BR10540-4-1-2-41 (1.51 t ha⁻¹) at Cumilla (Debiddar). Out of ten locations almost all the locations gave low to high grain yield. In general, Out of tens location, grain yield of two locations such as Gazipur (West byde) and Debiddar in Cumilla district was comparatively lower than other locations. Because, In case of Gazipur (West byde), the two advanced lines and one check variety of the ALART experiment was lodge at soft dough stage and the Debiddar in Cumilla district the ALART experiment was severely infected by Tungro disease.

Growth durations were not significantly varied among the entries due to environmental effect (Table 11). Mean growth duration of the highest mean yielder check variety BRRI dhan71 was 111 days. On the other hand, mean growth duration of the two advanced lines (BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41) was 110 and 112 days respectively. The mean growth duration of the other checks variety BRRI dhan75 was 108 days, which was 2-4 days shorter than the two advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41 (Table 1). Out of ten locations, two advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41 was found to be the longest growth duration (120 days) at Sadar, Bogura district (Table 11).

Plant height was significantly varied due to both the advanced lines and environmental effect (Table 11). From mean value, the check variety BRRI dhan71 was found to be the tallest (122 cm) followed by the other two advanced lines BR10538-2-1-2-32 and BR10540-4-1-2-41 at 116 and 119 cm. The mean plant height of the other check variety BRRI dhan75 was found at 106 cm. On the other hand, the mean shortest plant height among the advanced lines and checks was found 80 cm of BRRI dhan75 at Debiddar in Cumilla district (Table 11).

Interaction of entries and environments had strong significant effect on 1000-grain weight (Table 12). Among the two advanced lines, the lowest mean 1000 grain weight was found in BR10538-2-1-2-32 (23.4 g) followed by the other advanced line BR10540-4-1-2-41 was 24.1 g. Within the advanced line and checks varieties, the lowest mean 1000 grains weight was found the check variety BRRI dhan75 (21.1 gm) and the 1000 grains weight of the other check variety BRRI dhan71 was 23.2 gm. In case of Deviddar in Cumilla district, the 1000 grain weight of the advanced lines and the check varieties was relatively low; Because the grain was partially filled by attack of Tungro disease. Panicles produced by the genotypes varied significantly across the locations (Table 12). Among the advanced lines and checks varieties, BRRI dhan75 produced the highest mean panicles per unit area (229) followed by other entries and check variety. The lowest number of panicles produced by BRRI dhan71 was 207. Numbers of panicles per unit area in all the advanced lines (BR10538-2-1-2-32, BR10540-4-1-2-41) were almost similar (214, 213). Grains produced by the genotypes significantly varied from location to locations (Table 2). On an average, the highest number of mean grains (116) produced in a panicle by one of the check variety BRRI dhan71. Two advanced lines produced almost similar filled grains/ panicle which ranged from 108-109. The mean grains per panicle of the other check variety BRRI dhan75 was (109) having medium slender grain. The lowest sterility (%) was found in advanced line BR10538-2-1-2-32 (21) followed by other advanced line BR10540-4-1-2-41 (23), whereas it was 26-27 for the two checks varieties BRRI dhan71 and BRRI dhan75 (Table 12).

The main purpose of this ALART (DTR) is to recommend drought tolerant or drought escaping rice genotype which would be more suitable for drought prone areas of Bangladesh. In this trial, the advanced line BR10540-4-1-2-41 produced higher grain yield in five locations out of ten locations but mean grain yield was lower than the check variety BRRI dhan71. The mean growth duration of the advanced lines was 2-4 days higher than the check varieties which was one of the main constraints of drought prone areas. The grain shape and size of the advanced lines and one of the check varieties (BRRI dhan71) were almost similar, that was medium bold but the other check variety BRRI dhan75 was medium slender. The tested advanced lines were not attractive to the farmers due to its poor phenotypic acceptance, higher pest and disease infestation, highly lodging susceptibility.

Disease infestation: The tested advanced lines including check varieties were attacked by some disease (Table 13). Sheath blight incidence was found sporadically in almost all the advanced lines and check varieties in Gazipur (West byde); Pirganj, Rangpur; Sadar, Bogura; Debiddar, Cumilla; Mohadevpur, Naogoan and Nachole, Chapainabaganj. The advanced line (BR10538-2-1-2-32) were more susceptible to Sheath rot, Blast, False smut and Bacterial blight (BLB) disease compared to other advanced line (BR10540-4-1-2-41). The advanced line (BR10538-2-1-2-32) was highly infected by Tungro diseases (1-40%) at Debiddar in Cumilla district (Table 13). Tungro diseases also infected by other advanced line and check varieties it's up to 11-50%. Bacterial blight (BLB) found in all the advanced line and Check varieties in Gazipur (West byde); Taraganj and Pirganj in Rangpur districts and Sadar in Bogura district. Leaf folder found in only one location in all the advanced lines and check varieties at Taraganj in Rangpur district. Sheath rot was also found in all the advanced lines and check varieties in Bogura districts.

Insect attacked: Proper controlled measures were taken as and when necessary. However, Yellow Stem borer (1-8%) was found in all the advanced lines including check varieties in 4-7 locations {Gazipur (West byde); Pirganj, Rangpur; Sadar, Bogura; Debiddar, Cumilla; Mohadevpur, Naogoan, Godagari, Rajshahi and Nachole, Chapainabaganj} out of 10 locations (Table 14). Rice bug (1-3%) was found in only one location in Bogura district which was affected by all the advanced lines and check varieties (Table 14). Rat damage also found in 2-5% all the advanced lines and check varieties at Pirganj in Rangpur district.

Lodging records: All the advanced lines including one check variety BRRI dhan75 were lodged upto 10-100% in Gazipur (WB). The advanced line BR10540-4-1-2-41 also lodged 25-100% in Bogura district.

Phenotypic acceptance: The best phenotypic acceptance was found in the advanced line BR10540-4-1-2-41 and one check variety BRRI dhan75. Attractive to good plant growth, uniform flowering and maturity, well wrapped with culm, erect flag leaf and medium slender to medium bold grain was found in the check varieties at BRRI dhan71 and BRRI dhan75. Which phenotypic acceptance ranged from 3-5 in vegetative and 3-7 at maturity stage. On the other hand, phenotypic acceptance of the advanced lines was not attractive to the farmers due to irregular flowering, lodging tendency and also medium bold grains. The phenotypic acceptance range of the advanced lines form 3-5 in vegetative stage and 3-7 at maturity stage.

Farmers' choice and feedback of DAE personnel: Farmers didn't prefer any one entry, out of two entries compared to BRRI dhan71 (Ck) and BRRI dhan75 (Ck) varieties.

Recommendation: Based on results, ALART monitoring team report and farmer's perspective, none of the entries was recommended for PVT.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Statistically lower grains yield than the check variety BRRI dhan71 and almost similar grains yield than other checks variety BRRI dhan75.
2. Higher growth duration (2-4 days) than the check varieties.
3. Irregular flowering.
4. Bold type grains compare to the checks variety BRRI dhan75.
5. Susceptible to insect and disease than the checks.
6. Highly lodging tendency than the check variety BRRI dhan 71.
7. Poor phenotypic acceptance than the checks varieties.

Table 11. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (DTR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations										
	Taraganj, Rangpur	Pirganj, Rangpur	Gazipur (WB)	Sadar, Bogura	Sadar, Kustia	Ganni, Meherpr	Debidar, Cumilla	Mohadepur, Naogaoan	Godagari, Rajshahi	Nachole, Chapainabaganj	Mean
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	5.41	3.80	2.67	5.08	5.18	5.69	1.90	4.60	5.96	3.93	4.42
BR10540-4-1-2-41	5.94	4.12	2.11	5.15	4.84	5.87	1.51	4.75	6.50	4.74	4.55
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	5.85	4.20	4.09	4.95	5.30	5.98	2.43	4.66	6.18	4.18	4.78
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	4.54	4.15	2.80	4.92	5.15	5.65	2.51	4.35	5.94	4.32	4.43
LSD (0.05)	0.77										0.24
CV	10.41										
Growth duration (days)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	101	103	110	120	114	107	110	111	110	115	110
BR10540-4-1-2-41	103	105	112	120	115	107	112	113	111	117	112
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	103	106	112	119	115	107	113	112	109	113	111
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	106	109	109	109	115	105	111	108	104	107	108
LSD (0.05)	1.20										0.38
CV	0.67										
Plant height (cm)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	111	107	131	118	108	111	107	116	133	118	116
BR10540-4-1-2-41	117	121	131	112	108	115	108	125	134	122	119
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	116	112	137	114	113	119	102	131	146	125	122
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	106	103	120	103	99	110	80	107	122	112	106
LSD (0.05)	5.50										1.74
CV	2.92										

Table 12. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (DTR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations										
	Taraganj, Rangpur	Pirganj, Rangpur	Gazipur (WB)	Sadar, Bogura	Sadar, Kustia	Ganni, Meherpr	Debiddar, Cumilla	Mohadevpur, Naogoan	Godagari, Rajshahi	Nachole, Chapainabaganj	Mean
1000 grain weight (g)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	25.8	23.1	23.3	21.3	23.7	25.1	18.4	24.2	24.3	24.2	23.4
BR10540-4-1-2-41	27.3	24.4	24.1	24.8	24.8	25.3	20.3	23.0	23.1	24.0	24.1
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	26.3	22.7	24.3	21.5	23.8	24.6	18.9	23.4	23.3	23.5	23.2
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	23.0	20.0	21.7	22.8	21.5	22.8	17.5	20.3	20.8	21.0	21.1
LSD (0.05)	1.34										0.42
CV	3.59										
Number of panicles m⁻²											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	201	227	220	208	222	226	96	163	333	246	214
BR10540-4-1-2-41	227	241	264	223	218	231	91	168	233	237	213
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	242	230	255	160	198	232	117	162	233	242	207
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	251	213	263	287	238	265	134	192	219	232	229
LSD (0.05)	27.40										8.66
CV	7.80										
Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	106	81	112	122	102	118	90	115	136	106	109
BR10540-4-1-2-41	120	63	110	101	119	108	83	120	134	125	108
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	147	134	110	117	111	121	98	99	119	104	116
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	98	111	106	108	128	106	111	114	108	99	109
LSD (0.05)	18.30										5.80
CV	10.20										
Sterility (%)											
BR10538-2-1-2-32	21	36	30	8	26	16	12	14	20	28	21
BR10540-4-1-2-41	31	44	30	11	17	17	12	16	18	25	23
BRRI dhan71 (Ck)	30	31	27	12	21	22	14	41	24	29	26
BRRI dhan75 (Ck)	20	33	34	28	20	29	14	29	27	32	27
LSD (0.05)	8.31										2.63
CV	21.63										

Table 13. Disease score (%) of the rice genotypes under ALART (DTR) during Aman 2022.

Genotype	Disease Infection (%)						
	Sheath Blight	Sheath rot	Leaf blast & Neck blast	False smut	BLB	Leaf folder	Tungro
BR10538-2-1-2-32	10-40% found in 6 locations	1-5% found in 1 location (Bogura)	1-30% found in 3 location (Gazipur WB, Cumilla & Bogura)	1-3% found in 2 location (Bogura & Meherpur)	3-5 % found in 4 location (Gazipur WB, Bogura, Taraganj, Pirganj)	1% found in 1 location (Taraganj)	1-40 % found in 2 locations (Taraganj & Cumilla)
BR10540-4-1-2-41	5-40% found in 4 locations	1% found in 1 location (Bogura)	1-30% found in 1 location (Cumilla)	-	1-3% found in 3 location (Bogura Pirganj)	1% found in 1 location (Taraganj)	40 % found in 1 location (Cumilla)
BRRIdhan71 (Ck)	1-30% found in 6 locations	1% found in 1 location (Bogura)	1% found in 1 location (Bogura)	-	1-3% found in 2 location (Bogura, Taraganj & Pirganj)	1-3 % found in 1 location (Taraganj)	31-50 % found in 1 location (Cumilla)
BRRIdhan75 (Ck)	10-40% found in 6 locations	2-60 % found in 1 location (Bogura)	1-30% found in 2 location (Bogura & Cumilla)	-	1-3% found in 2 location (Bogura, Taraganj & Pirganj)	1-3 % found in 1 location (Taraganj)	11-30 % found in 1 location (Cumilla)

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 14. Insect attacked (%) score and Lodging susceptibility score (%) of the rice genotypes under ALART (DTR) during Aman 2022.

Sl No.	Genotype	Insect infestation (%)			Lodging susceptibility
		Yellow Steam Borer	Rice bug	Rat damage	
01	BR10538-2-1-2-32	1-5% found in 5-7 locations	3% found in Bogura	5 % found in Pirganj	10-100% found in 1 locations Gazipur (WB)
02	BR10540-4-1-2-41	1-3% found in 4-6 locations	1% found in Bogura	2-3% found in Pirganj	25-100% found in 2 locations Bogura, Gazipur (WB)
03	BRRIdhan71 (Ck)	1-3% found in 4-6 locations	1% found in Bogura	2-3% found in Pirganj	-
04	BRRIdhan75 (Ck)	1-8% found in 5-7 locations	3% found in Bogura	2-5% found in Pirganj	90-100% found in 1 locations Gazipur (WB)

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

1.4. ALART, Premium Quality Rice (PQR) during T. Aman 2022

Rationale: Bangladesh has a considerable position regarding rice production in the world and achieved self-sufficiency. Now the people of the country prefer to consume rice with premium quality, since per capita income has increased. BRRI already released some premium quality rice (PQR) varieties such as BRRI dhan34, BRRI dhan70 and BRRI dhan80 for T. Aman

season. Performance and quality of these varieties are good but not enough. So, BRRI is trying to develop PQR varieties having higher yield performance and better qualities than the previous ones. Therefore, Advanced Lines Adaptive Research Trial (ALART) of PQR was conducted at suitable locations of the country for releasing better quality of Premium Quality Rice variety.

Hypothesis: Rice genotypes having the characteristics of premium quality may be identified through the on-farm evaluation advanced breeding lines.

Materials and Methods: Two advanced rice genotypes (BR8493-3-5-1-P1 and BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2) having premium quality rice developed by Plant Breeding Division for T. Aman season were evaluated in different locations of the country along with the two check varieties, BRRI dhan34 and BRRI dhan70. The trials were conducted at ten locations such as Kustia (Sadar), Cumilla (Debeddar), Naogaon (Mohadebpur), Dinajpur (Parbotipur), Satkhira (Kolaroa), Habiganj (Sadar), Feni (Sonagazi), Faridpur (Bhanga), Bogura (Sadar), and Gazipur (BRRI research farm) during T. Aman, 2022. The trials were conducted following the Randomized Completely Block Design (RCBD) with three replications at all locations. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). The seedling age was 30-35 days at transplanting time maintaining the spacing 20 cm x 15 cm with 2-3 seedlings hill⁻¹. The N, P, K, S, and Zn @ 83, 15, 56, 13.5 and 2.7 kg ha⁻¹ were applied as Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate respectively. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal during final land preparation and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 Days After Transplanting (DAT). Standard and uniform management practices suggested by the breeders were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control the insect pests but not diseases to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and maturity stage, yield and yield components were recorded following the standard methods. Feedback information about the tested entries from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded.

Results and discussion: The highest mean grain yield (4.44 t ha⁻¹) was obtained in the advanced genotype BR8493-3-5-1-P1 which was statically higher than both the check variety BRRI dhan34 (2.98 t ha⁻¹) and BRRI dan70 (3.84 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest (2.98 t ha⁻¹) was in BRRI dhan34. Irrespective of genotypes and environments, the highest grain yield (5.37 t ha⁻¹) was obtained in BR8493-3-5-1-P1 at Bagura Sadar, and the lowest yield (1.97 t ha⁻¹) was found in BRRI dhan34 at also in Bagura Sadar. Mean growth duration of the genotype BR8493-3-5-1-P1 and BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2 were 134 and 135 respectively and both the growth duration were statistically lower than BRRI dhan34 (142 days) but higher than check variety BRRI dhan70 (126 days). The check variety BRRI dhan70 was about 9 to 11 days earlier than both of the tested entries (Table 15). Plant height of the tested genotypes BR8493-3-5-1-P1 and BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2 were 119 and 111 cm respectively. The highest plant height was observed in case of BRRI dhan34 (135 cm). Both the teste entries were significantly shorter than check variety BRRI dhan34 and also than BRRI dhan70. The tested entries had less lodging tendency due to shorter plant height. Thousand-grain weight is genetic characteristics; however, it was varied significantly from genotypes to genotypes across the environments and their interactions. It happened might be due to the diversified effects of different environments. The highest mean 1000-grain weight (21.07 g) was found in BRRI dhan70 and the lowest was (14.77 g) in the check variety BRRI dhan34. Thousand-grain weight of both the tested entries were significantly higher than BRRI dhan34. It indicated that grain size and shape of the tested genotypes were not superior to the check variety BRRI dhan34, which is very important characteristic of the premium quality rice also BRRI dhan70 was earliest of all others genotypes but Thousand-grain weight was highest of all genotypes. The highest mean panicles m⁻² (255) was formed in BRRI dhan70 followed by BRRI dhan70 (251) and the lowest (186) was in BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2. Panicles m⁻² had significant effect to obtain higher grain yield accordingly. Grains panicle⁻¹ was significantly affected by genotypes,

environments and their interactions. The highest mean grains panicle⁻¹ (194) was found in BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2 followed by BR8493-3-5-1-P1 (173) and the lowest (132) was in BRRI dhan70 and it ranged from. Although in the tested entry BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2 produced highest filled grain per panicle but grain yield was lower than BR8493-3-5-1-P1. Sterility percentage was significantly affected by the interaction of genotypes and environments. The mean sterility percentage of the tested genotypes was statistically similar to the check variety BRRI dhan34; however, it was also slightly higher in the genotype compared to the check. From the results, it was found that the tested entries couldn't yielded significantly higher than the check varieties and they don't have any special characters over the checks for which they could be considered for further progress.

Insect attacked: Proper measures were taken to control insects as and when necessary. However, the crop was infested by leaf folder (1-10%) and stem borer (1-3%) in some locations. Insect infestations were almost similar in all the entries including check variety.

Disease infestation: Diseases were not controlled to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of the genotypes. Neck Blast (2-5%), Bacterial blight (5-10%), Sheath blight (10-25%) and Brown spot (5-10 %) were observed in the tested entries in Kushtia, Meherpur and Satkhira. Disease incidences were higher in the tested entries than the check variety BRRI dhan34 (Table 17).

Lodging records: The advance lines and checks were found to be lodged (10-20%) and varied at different locations.

Farmers' choice and feedback of DAE personnel: Farmers and extension personnel dislike the tested genotypes as it had no yield advantage compared to the check variety BRRI dhan70. Moreover, they were disappointed with irregular flowering and maturity of the genotypes. Finally, they opined that BRRI dhan70 is better than the tested genotypes.

Recommendation: None of the advanced lines were found for recommendation as PVT.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. The tested entry V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1 could not produce significantly higher yield than check variety BRRI dhan70. Besides this growth duration of V1 was 8 days higher than BRRI dhan70.
2. Although tested entry V2 produced higher yield than check variety BRRI dhan34 but significantly lower yield than check variety BRRI dhan70.
3. The phenotypic acceptance of both entries V1 and V2 was very much poor with semi droopy and curled leaves.
4. There were many off types both in V1 and V2 entries (10-20 %) in all locations.

Panicle exertion of V1 and V2 were not complete.

Table 15. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (DTR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations							
	Sadar, Kushtia	Mohadebpur, Naogaon	Parbotipur, Rangpur	Sadar, Bogura	Sonagazi, Feni	Bhanga, Faridpur	Kolaroa, Satkhira	Mean
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	4.68	4.46	5.17	5.37	2.90	4.15	4.38	4.44
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	3.66	5.02	5.02	3.08	4.45	2.93	2.68	3.84
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	3.77	4.29	3.39	1.97	2.69	2.49	2.24	2.98
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	4.24	3.98	4.32	4.42	3.23	4.31	4.38	4.12
LSD (0.05)	0.62							0.51
CV (%)	10.28							
Growth duration (days)								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	135	140	143	134	127	127	132	134
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	137	113	113	144	156	133	146	135
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	155	112	151	152	141	137	149	142
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	126	117	127	134	128	125	127	126

LSD (0.05)	0.87							0.24
CV (%)	0.49							
Plant height (cm)								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	117	117	104	126	126	119	126	119
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	117	114	114	76	126	118	114	111
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	140	117	133	155	128	131	141	135
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	135	110	124	136	122	146	135	130
LSD (0.05)	2.78							1.58
CV (%)	3.41							

Table 16. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (PQR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations							
	Sadar, Kustia	Mohadebpu r, Naogaon	Parbotipur, Rangpur	Sadar, Bogura	Sonagazi, Feni	Bhanga, Faridpur	Kolaroa, Satkhira	Mean
1000 grain weight (g)								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	12.88	25.50	15.73	18.00	17.34	13.25	21.17	17.70
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	16.15	24.93	24.93	15.23	19.00	17.67	17.97	19.41
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	9.76	28.17	10.10	19.00	11.73	12.00	12.63	14.77
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	16.27	27.10	21.40	22.00	18.84	21.67	19.80	21.01
LSD (0.05)	0.79							0.31
CV (%)	2.46							
Number of panicles m⁻²								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	229	167	147	205	203	265	265	212
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	172	167	167	168	182	267	177	186
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	217	185	242	262	235	362	256	251
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	246	172	251	208	202	455	254	255
LSD (0.05)	30.87							19.27
CV (%)	10.54							
Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	150	170	171	210	103	270	138	173
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	166	159	159	125	233	384	131	194
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	180	181	150	156	117	248	157	170
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	124	156	89	137	104	156	161	132
LSD (0.05)	25.29							12.41
CV (%)	14.12							
% Sterility								
V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	30	16	13	12	31	20	16	20
V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	39	27	27	32	18	14	18	25
V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	23	26	18	30	30	11	15	22
V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	33	23	14	29	32	28	17	25
LSD (0.05)	7.59							3.12
CV (%)	17.27							

Table 17. Disease incidence (%) of some genotypes under ALART (PQR) at different locations during T. Aman 2022.

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence		
		Sheath Blight	False Smut	Brown spot
1.	V1= BR8493-3-5-1-P1	25-30 % in 3 locations (Kustia, Satkhira, Meherpur).	3-10% in Kustia, Meherpur, Bogura	-
2.	V2= BR9590-45-1-3-2-P2	12-30 % in 3 locations (Kustia, Satkhira, Meherpur).	1-5% in Bogura	20-40% in Meherpur
3.	V3= BRRI dhan34 (Ck)	5-10 % in 2 locations (Gazipur, Bogra).	2-5% in Parbotipur.	-
4.	V4= BRRI dhan70 (Ck)	2-5 % in Satkhira & Parbotipur	2-5% in Shatkhira	1-5% in Kustia

1.5 ALART, Salt Tolerant Rice (STR) during T. Aman 2022

Materials and method: Three salt tolerant advanced lines: BR11712-4R-218, BR11716-4R-102, BR11723-4R-172 along with BRRi dhan73 (Tol. Ck) and BRRi dhan87 (Sus. Ck) were evaluated in ten locations such as BRRi research farm (Gazipur), Satkhira (Kaliganj) Satkhira (Debhata) Bagerhat (Sadar) Sonagazi (Feni) Noakhali (Companiganj) and Patuakhali (Kalapara) during Aman 2022.

The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding time was varied from 28 June to 07 July, 2022 in different locations according to local situation and seedling ages for different locations were also varied from 25-30 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 20 cm x 20 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum, zinc sulphate was applied @ 200: 62: 83: 56: 5 kg/ha. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 10-15 days, 25-30 days after transplanting, and 5-7 days before PI stage. Other standard management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Date and water salinity of experimental plot was recorded at different interval. Feedback from farmers and scientific personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Across the locations, water salinity records were taken in different dates. The range of water salinity was 1.6 ds/m to 8.50 ds/m (Table 18). The highest salinity was measured in Satkhira district among the selected locations. Among the genotypes, the highest mean grain yield (4.71 tha⁻¹) was obtained in BR11716-4R-102 followed by BR11712-4R-218 (4.47 tha⁻¹), BR11723-4R-172 (4.32 tha⁻¹), BRRi dhan87 (4.24 tha⁻¹) and BRRi dhan73 (3.66 tha⁻¹). The growth duration of the line BR11716-4R-102 (121 days) was one day earlier than BRRi dhan73 (122 days) and 6 days earlier than BRRi dhan87 (127 days).

There was significant difference observed in plant height and its range was about 103 cm to 127 cm (Table 19). 1000 grain weight (TGW) of tested line BR11723-4R-172 (24.58 gm) was the highest and lowest was found in tested line BRRi dhan73 (21.60 gm) (Table 13). BRRi dhan73 and BRRi dhan87 gave 21.60 gm and 23.03 gm TGW respectively (Table 20). The panicle m⁻² range varied from 217 to 249 and the highest mean panicle m⁻² was found in BRRi dhan87 (249) followed by BRRi dhan73 (226) whereas the lowest was found in BR11723-4R-172 (Sus. Ck) (217) (Table 13). On an average, the highest filled grains panicle⁻¹ (134) was found in BR11723-4R-172 followed by BR11716-4R-102 (132), BRRi dhan73 (127), BR11712-4R-218 (124) and it was the lowest (123) in BRRi dhan87. The sterility% of all the entries including checks ranging from 23.13 -26.77 (Table 20).

According to farmers, there were significant impact of salinity on rice yield during Aman season. In our experiment BR11716-4R-102 performed best among the check variety. So high yielding variety and short duration is desired for the farmers. Considering the future climate change, we develop some saline tolerant varieties. So, the tested lines are promising but irregularities were observed in the tested lines.

Disease Infestation: Severely Blight disease (20%) infestation was observed in Bagerhat region. The infestation was also found in Gazipur, Kaliganj and Satkhira location around (2-10%). False smart disease was only observed in Gazipur (2%).

Insect attacked: Around (9-15%) Rice bug was found in Kaliganj, Debhata, Gazipur, Bagerhat and Satkhira regions.

Lodging records: All genotypes were 10% to 100% lodging incidence was observed in Gazipur locations.

Rat Damage: All genotypes were damaged by rat about 10-20% in Bagerhat (Sadar) and Patuakhali (Kalapara) regions. The growth duration of all genotypes was short compared to other varieties (BR23, BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan76 and local varieties) cultivated by farmer's nearby experimental site. As for the early maturity, genotypes were attacked by rat specially BRRI dhan73.

Bird Damage: The tested lines with check varieties were short duration approximately 120-127 days but in southern regions farmers usually cultivated the varieties having 135- 140 days. So due to early maturity in some locations, 10-26% bird damage was observed.

Recommendation

The entry no 2 i.e., BR11716-4R-102 could be recommended for PVT if the irregularity of flowering and maturity is corrected by any means.

Rationale of recommendation:

1. The advanced line, BR11716-4R-102 produce higher yield (4.71t^h) than the both check varieties BRRI dhan73 (3.66) & BRRI dhan87 (4.24).
2. The growth duration of the line BR11716-4R-102 was one day earlier than BRRI dhan73 and 6 days earlier than BRRI dhan87.
3. Lodging incidence was not found anywhere except Gazipur.
4. Plant height 103 cm which is also desirable.
5. Plant growth was attractive.
6. Over all phenotypic data of the tested genotypes was good except uneven flowering and maturity.

Table 18: Water salinity measurements records date/(ds/m)

Locations	Water salinity measurements records date/(ds/m) during B. Aman'2022						
Westbyde/BRRI	No data recorded						
Kaliganj (Satkhira)	03-Aug	12-Aug	27-Aug	15-Sep			
	4.83	4.18	3.24	2.44			
Kaliganj (Satkhira)	31-Jul	12-Aug	20-Aug				
	8.50	5.68	3.14				
Debhata (Satkhira)	28-Jul	10-Aug	25-Aug				
	2.32	1.88	1.60				
Sadar (Bagerhat)	07-Jul	20-Aug	09-Sep	01-Oct			
	3.45	3.56	3.59	3.64			
Feni (Sonagazi)	21-Aug-22	1-Sep-22	11-Sep-22	22-Sep-22	3-Oct-22	15-Oct-22	30-Oct-22
	2.00	2.15	1.62	2.10	2.81	3.12	3.44
Companiganj (Noakhali)	25-Aug-22	6-Sep-22	16-Sep-22	30-Sep-22	11-Oct-22	21-Oct-22	31-Oct-22
	2.25	2.44	2.68	3.10	3.45	3.70	3.82
Kalapara (Patuakhali)	08-Jul	01-Sep	28-Sep	25-Oct			
	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.1			
Amtali(Patuakhali)							

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Table 19. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (STR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Location							Mean
	WB Gazipur	Kaliganj Satkhira	Debhata Satkhira	Sadar Bagerhat	Feni Sonagazi	Companiganj Noakhali	Kalapara Patuakhali	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	4.05	4.34	4.47	4.57	6.03	4.91	2.89	4.47
V2=BR11716-4R-102	4.29	4.42	4.27	4.90	6.52	5.30	3.30	4.71
V3=BR11723-4R-172	3.64	4.34	4.37	4.47	5.86	5.11	2.43	4.32
V4=BRRI dhan73	1.51	4.08	3.93	4.00	4.82	4.44	2.81	3.66
V5=BRRI dhan87	4.17	4.08	4.00	4.43	5.44	5.00	2.58	4.24
LSD0.05	0.442							0.323
CV%	7.74							
Days to Maturity								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	120	120	117	121	121	122	122	120
V2=BR11716-4R-102	120	121	118	121	122	123	123	121
V3=BR11723-4R-172	122	121	118	121	123	125	123	122
V4=BRRI dhan73	116	119	116	123	127	128	125	122
V5=BRRI dhan87	125	124	124	130	129	129	127	127
LSD0.05	0.788							0.576
CV%	0.48							
Plant Height (cm)								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	120	98	94	92	112	116	94	104
V2=BR11716-4R-102	116	93	97	89	114	115	99	103
V3=BR11723-4R-172	119	93	96	98	112	114	91	103
V4=BRRI dhan73	151	120	119	118	128	126	124	127
V5=BRRI dhan87	129	100	115	121	124	122	114	118
LSD0.05	4.693							3.429
CV%	3.17							

Table 20. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (STR) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Location							Mean
	WB Gazipur	Kaliganj Satkhira	Debhata Satkhira	Sadar Bagerhat	Feni Sonagazi	Companiganj Noakhali	Kalapara Patuakhali	
1000-Grain weight (g)								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	25.76	25.80	25.13	22.50	23.96	23.67	24.32	24.45
V2=BR11716-4R-102	26.82	23.07	25.63	23.60	24.06	23.72	22.57	24.21
V3=BR11723-4R-172	27.88	23.47	25.97	24.50	24.23	23.90	22.10	24.58
V4=BRRI dhan73	23.36	20.20	21.13	18.60	21.29	21.96	24.66	21.60
V5=BRRI dhan87	24.17	22.20	23.63	24.00	22.42	22.25	22.53	23.03
LSD0.05	1.368							1.000
CV%	4.34							
Number of panicles m⁻²								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	271	238	228	269	196	194	172	224
V2=BR11716-4R-102	256	250	244	262	205	203	147	224
V3=BR11723-4R-172	251	239	234	259	189	192	155	217
V4=BRRI dhan73	260	251	246	266	184	185	193	226
V5=BRRI dhan87	265	251	248	318	206	200	252	249
LSD0.05	25.699							18.780
CV%	8.43							
Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	106	127	115	102	157	132	127	124
V2=BR11716-4R-102	127	110	124	121	163	136	145	132
V3=BR11723-4R-172	130	117	122	111	158	136	165	134

V4=BRRRI dhan73	115	116	111	97.3	153	134	165	127
V5=BRRRI dhan87	114	108	115	112	146	135	132	123
LSD0.05	24.533							17.928
CV%	14.33							
Sterility%								
V1= BR11712-4R-218	33.26	27.67	28.00	29.33	20.69	22.84	25.57	26.77
V2=BR11716-4R-102	37.29	34.00	23.00	24.00	18.30	20.66	26.37	26.23
V3=BR11723-4R-172	31.87	27.33	29.67	26.33	20.37	22.17	16.15	24.84
V4=BRRRI dhan73	30.36	24.67	28.00	22.67	19.98	21.23	38.53	26.49
V5=BRRRI dhan87	35.78	25.33	19.33	25.33	17.88	20.12	18.16	23.13
LSD0.05	8.560							6.255
CV%	25.04							

Table 21. Disease and insect reaction of different locations under ALART (STR) T. Aman 2022.

S N	Genotype	Disease infection (%)		Insect infestation (%)		
		Sheath Blight	False smart	Rice Bug	Rat damage	Bird damage
1	V1= BR11712-4R-218	5-10% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,,Satkhira	1-2% in Gazipur	5-% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	20-% in Patuakhali& Bagarhat	20-% in Patuakhali & Bagarhat
2	V2=BR11716-4R-102	2-10% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	1-2% in Gazipur	5-15% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	15% in Patuakhali	10-18-% in Patuakhali & Bagarhat
3	V3=BR11723-4R-172	20% in Bagerhat	-	1-15% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	20-% in Patuakhali	20-% in Patuakhali & Bagarhat
4	V4=BRRRI dhan73	10 in Bagerhat	-	3-15% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	10-% in Patuakhali	10-20-% in Bagarhat & Patuakhali
5	V5=BRRRI dhan87	15% in Bagerhat		3-15% in Kaliganj&Debhata,Ga zipur Bagerhat,Satkhira	10-% in Patuakhali	10-26-% in Patuakhali & Bagarhat

Table 22. Lodging incidence (%) under ALART (STR) T. Aman 2022.

SN	Genotype	Lodging incidence (%)
		Gazipur
1	V1= BR11712-4R-218	10-%
2	V2=BR11716-4R-102	20-%
3	V3=BR11723-4R-172	50-%
4	V4=BRRRI dhan73	100-%
5	V5=BRRRI dhan87	40-%

Table 23. Phenotypic Acceptance of the rice genotypes under ALART (STR) T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Plant growth	Uniformity		Wrapping quality of culm	Grain type	Flag Leaf	Phenotypic Acceptance		Farmer's Preference
		flowering	maturity				Veg.	Mat.	
V1=BR11712-4R-218	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Well, wrapped	Bold	Erect	3	3	Due to shorter growth duration severally bird attack, Fine grain, short plant height
V2=BR11716-4R-102	Attractive	Irregular	Irregular	Semi wrapped	Medium bold	Droopy	1	1	Due to shorter growth duration severally bird attack, Fine grain, short plant height
V3=BR11723-4R-172	Uniform			Node exposed	Long bold	Semi Droopy	5	5	Due to shorter growth duration severally bird attack, Fine grain, short plant height
V4=BRRI dhan73	Good				Slender	Horizontal	7	7	Lower yield, comparatively high slender grains
V5=BRRI dhan87	Fair				Medium Slender	Narrow	3	9	Fine grains, better yield but severally bird attack

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.6 Re-ALART, Submergence tolerance rice having long growth duration (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2022.

Rationale: Flash flood submergence is an important hazard to the agriculture of Bangladesh related with climate-change. More than 2.0-million-hectare areas of Bangladesh are affected by different grades of flash floods. This problem has become more evident due to climate change. Flash floods regularly affect rain-fed lowland rice (RLR) ecosystems in many parts of the country where flood water remains for around two weeks. The development and adaptation of submergence tolerant rice varieties seems to be a necessary step to address the flash flood problem in Bangladesh. Already we have some prominent varieties for submerged condition in Aman season but the progress is still on-going. Considering the future threat and to feed the increasing population, we need potential modern submergence tolerance rice varieties in T. Aman season characterized by higher grain yield. This ALART was conducted in 10 locations across the whole country during last year but due to long duration both of the line was not recommended for PVT. But both of these two lines have some unique characteristics like bold

grain, submergence tolerance and tall plant, which is suitable for the Barishal region. That's why re ALART has been done.

Hypothesis: Rice genotype suitable for flash flood ecosystem may come out from evaluation at farmers' field.

Materials and method: Two advanced lines: BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 and IR13F441 along with BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck) and BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck) as checks were tested at farmers' field in 10 locations such as Barishal Sadar (Dhopakathi), Barishal Sadar (Dinar), Borguna (Amtoli), Patuakhali (Kolapara), Jhalakathi (Nalchiti), Pirojpur (Kaukhali), Chattogram (Mirsarai), Chattogram (Rangunia), Gopalganj, Gazipur (WB) during T. Aman 2022. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size was 20 m² (4 m x 5 m). Seeding time for ten locations varied from June 11-9th July, 2022. Seedling age varied from 25-30 days among the locations. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 200, 62, 50, 56 & 5 kg ha⁻¹. All amounts of TSP, Gypsum, Zinc sulfate and two-third MoP were applied at the time of final land preparation. Urea was top dressed in 3 equal splits at 10 and 25-30 days after transplanting, and 5-7 days before PI. Rest of the one-third MoP was applied during second topdressing of urea. Other standard management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Date and water level of experimental plot was recorded at different interval. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Across the locations, water level records were taken in different dates except Gazipur (WB) which is not located in submergence prone area and also not taken in Chattogram (Rangunia) and Chattogram (Mirsarai) because of lack of rainfall during this season. Maximum water depth (45 cm) was recorded in Gopalganj during the early stage of crop establishment (Table 1). Irrespective of genotypes and locations, both the advanced lines (BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 and IR13F441) gave almost similar higher yields (4.89 tha⁻¹ & 4.92 tha⁻¹ respectively) than the two check varieties BRR1 dhan44 (4.31 tha⁻¹) and BRR1 dhan52 (4.49 t ha⁻¹) (table 2). Among the genotypes, the lowest mean grain yield was obtained from BRR1 dhan44 (3.29 tha⁻¹) followed by BRR1 dhan52 (3.39 t ha⁻¹) in Barishal Sadar (Dinar). In general, grain yield was lower at Barishal Sadar (Dinar) due to cyclone sitrang during later part of growth stage. Mean growth duration over 10 locations of the advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 (entry no. 1) was 147 days which was higher than the check variety BRR1 dhan52 (143 days) and BRR1 dhan44 (146 days) (Table 2). However, growth duration of entry no. 1 ranged from 135 to 154 days at different locations. Mean growth duration of the advanced line IR13F441 (entry no.2) was 149 days which was also higher than both of the check variety BRR1 dhan52 (143 days) and BRR1 dhan44 (146 days) (Table 25). The tallest plant height was 159 cm found in the entry no.1 in Gazipur. However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the check variety BRR1 dhan52 & in advanced line IR13F441 (117 cm) (Table 25). Thousand-grain weights, Panicle production per square meter, grains per panicle and sterility percentage were significantly affected by the interaction of genotypes and environments (Table 26). The mean highest 1000-grain weight (29.47 g) was found in entry no.1 followed by BRR1 dhan44 (28.14 g), BRR1 dhan52 (27.04 g), whereas, the lowest 1000-grain weight (21.44 g) was found in the entry no. 2 (Table 26). In case of grain size and shape, the entry no. 1 was preferred by the farmers of Barishal region due to bold grain size. Panicles/m² was also affected by both the genotypes and environments. The lowest mean number of panicles (195) was produced by advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 and the highest number of mean panicles (220) was produced by entry no. 2 followed by check variety BRR1 dhan52 (216). The highest filled grains per panicle was found in entry no. 2 (151) and

the lowest mean filled grains per panicle was found in BRR1 dhan44 (121). Highest mean spikelet sterility percentage (22.66) was found in check variety BRR1 dhan44. (Table 26).

In our experiment, although both the advanced line produced higher yield than the check varieties but farmers only like the advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 due to bold grain, longer growth duration and less susceptible to false smut disease.

Disease Infestation:

False smut incidence was observed in all the entries except V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1. V2= IR13F441 was severely infected by this disease in 5 locations. All the entries were also infested by BLB in Gopalganj region ranging from 25-40% (Table 28).

Insects attacked:

Yellow stem borer infestation was recorded in 2 regions (Kolapara & Gopalganj) ranging from 5-10%. Leaf folder infestation was mainly seen at vegetative stages Amtoli & Gopalganj regions for all the entries ranging from 5-10% (Table 29).

Phenotypic acceptance:

Plant growth was found good and uniformity in flowering and maturity was also seen for all the genotypes except entry no 2 (Table 22). The grain type was bold and erect flag leaf has seen in all genotypes. Phenotypic acceptance score during vegetative score was 3 and during maturity were 5 for all the genotypes.

Farmers’ choice and feedback of DAE personnel: Farmers preferred BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 line than both of the check Varieties.

Recommendation: BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 was recommended for PVT.

Rationale of recommendation:

1. Although Both of the advanced line gave higher yields than the check varieties but farmers like the advanced line BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1 due to higher plant height, Bold grain which is preferred by the people of Barishal region and also less susceptible to disease and insect.
2. ALART monitoring team had seen mixture in IR13F441 line in most of the locations.
3. IR13F441 line is very much susceptible to false smut disease.

Table 24. Water depth in different locations under ALART(SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2022.

Locations	Date	Water Depth (cm)	Date	Water Depth (cm)	
Barishal Sadar (Dhopakathi)	23/8/22	7	07/10/22	30	
	09/09/22	28	26/10/22	33	
Barishal Sadar (Dinar)	21/8/22	7	9/10/22	16	
	03/09/22	6	26/10/22	30	
Borguna (Amtoli)	4/8/2022	8	25/9/22	15	
	27/8/22	20	26/10/22	25	
Patuakhali (Kolapara)	7/8/22	9	08/10/22	13	
	05/09/22	8	26/10/22	19	
Jhalakathi (Nalchiti)	18/08/22	2	10/10/22	22	
	09/09/22	18	26/10/22	27	
Pirojpur(Kaukhali)	Damaged				
Chattogram(Mirsarai)	Data not recorded				
Chattogram(Rangunia)	Data not recorded				
Gopalganj	16/08/22		45	10/10/22	35
	25/08/22		27	25/10/22	20
	08/09/22		15	10/11/22	10
	19/09/22		30	20/11/22	02
Gazipur(WB)	Normal Field				

Table 25. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations									
	Barishal Sadar (Dhopakathi)	Barishal Sadar (Dinar)	Borguna (Amtoli)	Chattogram (Mirsarai)	Chattogram (Rangunia)	Gazipur (WB)	Gopalganj	Jhalakathi (Nalchiti)	Patuakhali (Kolapara)	Mean
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	4.91	3.91	4.54	4.75	5.03	5.43	5.35	5.03	5.04	4.89
V2= IR13F441	4.62	4.34	4.38	5.51	5.58	5.71	4.07	4.86	5.20	4.92
V3= BRRI dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	4.01	3.29	3.99	4.90	5.10	4.95	3.73	4.26	4.61	4.31
V4= BRRI dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	4.21	3.39	4.10	5.12	5.25	5.08	4.58	4.34	4.36	4.49
LSD	0.67									0.22
CV (%)	8.85									
Growth duration (Days)										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	146	152	157	135	136	138	153	148	154	147
V2= IR13F441	149	157	157	139	137	138	153	151	156	149
V3= BRRI dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	145	151	152	143	143	136	151	145	150	146
V4= BRRI dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	140	148	151	139	140	134	150	142	146	143
LSD	0.56									0.19
CV (%)	0.23									
Plant height (cm)										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	127	111	131	124	125	159	141	130	109	128
V2= IR13F441	115	108	107	120	122	138	119	116	108	117
V3= BRRI dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	115	107	116	131	131	140	122	117	107	121
V4= BRRI dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	110	105	115	121	124	140	121	111	107	117
LSD	4.51									1.50
CV (%)	2.29									

Table 26. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Locations									
	Barishal Sadar (Dhopakathi)	Barishal Sadar (Dinar)	Borguna (Amtoli)	Chattogram (Mirsarai)	Chattogram (Rangunia)	Gazipur (WB)	Gopalganj	Jhalakathi (Nalchiti)	Patuakhali (Kolapara)	Mean
1000-grain weight (gm)										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	30.63	28.94	28.52	30.97	29.95	29.96	30.13	29.20	26.90	29.47
V2= IR13F441	20.34	22.06	20.28	23.04	22.52	20.29	19.30	24.41	20.73	21.44
V3= BRRI dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	28.65	27.70	29.42	26.88	27.69	28.25	28.69	27.42	28.52	28.14
V4= BRRI dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	28.08	29.19	27.15	25.72	25.36	27.71	25.99	27.55	27.01	27.09
LSD	2.85									0.95
CV (%)	6.59									
Number of panicles m⁻²										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	148	173	168	212	215	249	220	181	190	195
V2= IR13F441	220	181	157	231	245	266	269	189	223	220

V3= BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	170	219	164	219	223	243	181	174	215	201
V4= BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	187	223	188	233	235	241	220	184	237	216
LSD	33.76								11.25	
CV (%)	9.96									
Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)										
V1=BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	150	157	186	90	97	113	108	159	186	138
V2= IR13F441	176	169	194	128	124	152	94	174	151	151
V3= BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	122	149	160	104	102	117	91	125	114	121
V4= BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	138	137	156	106	110	114	92	143	120	124
LSD	33.22								11.07	
CV (%)	15.26									
Sterility %										
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	24.66	14.80	27.31	20.81	25.72	29.29	23.31	24.49	12.81	22.58
V2= IR13F441	13.28	13.85	19.56	16.03	18.67	21.01	28.54	14.43	12.03	17.49
V3= BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	26.23	14.78	13.33	21.11	20.08	29.66	29.11	25.84	23.78	22.66
V4= BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	24.53	11.54	18.20	19.34	17.34	29.34	23.45	25.35	29.42	22.06
LSD	8.61								2.87	
CV (%)	24.94									

Table 27. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under ALART (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2021

Genotypes	Characteristics						Phenotypic Acceptance Score		
	Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality with culm	Grain type	Flag leaf	Veg.	Mat.	Farmers Preference
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	Good	Uniform	uniform	Well wrapped	Bold	Erect	3	5	1
V2= IR13F441	Good	Not uniform	Not uniform	Well wrapped	Bold	Erect	3	5	2
V3= BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	Good	Uniform	uniform	Well wrapped	Bold	Erect	3	5	4
V4= BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Bold	Erect	3	5	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

Table 28. Disease incidence percentages of all genotypes under ALART (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2021

Genotypes	Disease score (%)*		
	False Smut	BS	BLB
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	-	20% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)	40% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)
V2= IR13F441	10% In 5 loc. (Dhopakathi, Dinar, Amtoli, Kolapara & Nalchiti)	20% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)	40% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)
V3= BRR1 dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	10% In 2 loc. (Dinar & Nalchiti)	15% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)	25% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)
V4= BRR1 dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	10% In 1loc. (Dinar)	15% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)	30% in 1 loc. (Gopalganj)

Abbreviations: BLB= Bacterial leaf blight, ShB=Sheath blight

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease occurrence. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 29. Insect incidence percentages of all genotypes under ALART (SubTR-LD) during T. Aman 2021

Genotypes	Insect score (%)*	
	YSB	LF
V1= BR9158-19-9-6-50-2-HR1	5-10% in 2 location (Kolapara & Gopalganj)	5-10% in 2loc. (Amtoli & Gopalganj)
V2= IR13F441	5% in 1 location (Gopalganj)	5-10% in 2loc. (Amtoli & Gopalganj)
V3= BRRI dhan44 (Sus. Ck)	5% in 2 location (Kolapara & Gopalganj)	5-10% in 1loc. (Gopalganj)
V4= BRRI dhan52 (Tol. Ck)	5% in 1 location (Gopalganj)	5-10% in 2loc. (Amtoli & Gopalganj)

Abbreviations: YSB= Yellow stem borer, LF=Leaf folder

1.7 ALART, Deep water Rice (DWR) during B. Aman 2022.

Rationale: Once a vast area of rice land in Bangladesh was belonged to deep water rice (DWR) ecosystem. The DW Aman rice crop is subjected to flood and the yield is very low. Although the area has decreased a lot but still, we have a considerable area which is not suitable for other crop except Deep water (DW) Aman rice. It should be addressed properly for sustainable self-sufficiency in food because our land is limited. The productivity of traditional DWR is very low (1.0-2.2 t ha⁻¹) due to complex environment of the ecosystem. On the other hand, modern rice varieties are yet unavailable in this ecosystem. Sometimes farmers are very much reluctant to cultivate DWR due to its very poor yield and other environmental complexity. So, we need potential modern DWR, Deep flooded (1 to 2 meter), B. Aman rice variety characterized by higher yield and shorter growth duration which can attract farmers to cultivate rice in this unfavorable area.

Hypothesis: Suitable DWR variety for B. Aman season in deep flooded (1-to-1.5-meter water depth) condition may be identified to recommend for PVT.

Materials and method: Six advanced lines bred for deep flooded (1 to 2 meter water depth) condition i.e., V1= BR10230-7-19-2B, V2= BR9892-6-2-2B, V3= BR9376-6-2-2B, V4= BR9392-6-2-1B, V5= BR-KM(Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B and V6= BR-DL(Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B with V7= Fulkori (local ck.) as checks were tested in seven different locations such as Faridpur (Sadar), Gopalganj (Moksedpur), Chandur (Kachua), Habiganj (Baniachang), Manikganj (Harirampur), Sirajganj (Tarash), BRRI Gazipur (Shibbari Deep water tank) during B. Aman 2022. The plots were selected in representative deep water rice area where flood water depth was expected to be around 1 to 2 meter. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (4 m x 5 m). The time of seed sowing in main field at different locations was not same and the dates were within 14 May to 06 June 2022. Direct seeding in line was done with 25 cm row spacing except Gazipur and Faridpur where transplanting was done. Fertilizers were applied @ 180, 75, 112, 75, 7.5 kg/ha Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and ZnSO₄. All amounts of TSP, MoP, Gypsum, Zinc sulfate and one-third (1/3) of urea were applied at the time of final land preparation. Rest of urea will be top dressed in 2 equal splits at 20 and 40 days after sowing (DAS) or synchronizing with rainfall and water depth. It is wise to top-dress urea up to 30 cm depth (before flood water inundation). Other standard management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect and other pests. Date of seeding, flowering and maturity, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components, flood water depth, disease and insect incidence were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 10 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: All the advanced lines and check varieties were damaged and not suitable for data collection in two locations i.e., Cumilla, Habiganj and no flood was occurred in Manikganj. So, results obtained from Manikganj was discarded from the analysis. The result obtained from Four location i.e., Faridpur, Gopalganj, Sirajganj and Gazipur. The water depth condition was shown in table 30(a), (b), (c) & (d) in different date i.e., different days after seeding (DAS) or transplanting (DAT) . The maximum water depth was 82 cm (at 128 DAS) at Sirajganj, 72 cm at Gazipur, 51 cm at Faridpur (120 DAT) and 48 cm in Gopalganj (110 DAS) trial sites. It means, water depth didn't exceed 1 m. And water depth was around 10-30cm in most of the time of growing season.

The yield of all advanced lines ranged from 2.1 to 3.06 t ha⁻¹. Yield of all the advanced lines was significantly higher than the check variety Fulkori (2.02 t ha⁻¹). Among the advanced lines entry no. 1 and 4 yielded grains over 3.0 tons (3.06 and 3.0 t ha⁻¹ respectively). Other advanced lines V2= BR9892-6-2-2B, V3= BR9376-6-6-2B and V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B also gave statistically significant higher yield (2.49, 2.52 and 2.28 t ha⁻¹ respectively). However, irregularity was reported in all lines at Sirajganj and Gazipur trials. Therefore, farmers were not showed interest on those advanced lines.

Mean growth duration of V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B and V7= Fulkori (ck) was 173 days which was late by one week than the all-other advanced lines. all five tested advanced lines was similar and ranged from 166-168 days (Table 2). The tallest plant was found at Gazipur entry no. 5, BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B (271 cm) followed by V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B(261cm). V3= BR9376-6-6-2B was the shortest one (163 cm) (Table 31). 1000 grain weight of the advanced line V3= BR9376-6-6-2B (21.00 g) was significantly lower than the all-other lines including check variety Fulkori. Averaged 1000-grain weight of the tested lines ranged from 21.00-24.56 g and it was 22.79 the check varieties (Table 32). All the advanced lines produced higher no of panicle in Faridpur site.

Disease infestation and Insect attacked:

Sheath blight and Brown spot disease was found in different levels ranged from 5-20% in Gopalganj in all advanced lines and check variety. Rice bug insect was most prominent in Gopalganj and Faridpur trial sites. Insect infestation was very few in all locations as proper controlling measure was taken timely. However, rat became the prominent pest for the trial sites in Faridpur and Gopalganj (10-50%). Disease incidence and insect infestation status is shown in the following table 33.

Phenotypic Acceptance: Plant growth was uniform and good at vegetative stage and poor in maturity stage. Irregularity of lowering and maturity was observed in all advanced lines. In most locations, farmers did not show any interest to the advanced lines. However, in Gopalganj, they preferred V1= BR10230-7-19-2B and V4= BR9392-6-2-1B for their higher yield.

Recommendation: Considering yield potentiality of the advanced lines, this trial was recommended for conducting again in coming B. Aman season (Re-ALART) since there was not much water at the experimental sites in Aman 2022.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. All the tested lines performed better in Faridpur and Gopalganj where the water depth was 20-53cm which was below our expected level. Our desired water depth was 100-150 cm. However, their performance was not good in Sirajganj and Gazipur where the water depth ranges from 26-84 cm in the trial sites. Manikganj sites was totally water free. Experiments from Cumilla and Habiganj were totally damaged due to flood which arose the question of elongation capacity.
2. Planting method of this trial was supposed to be either line sowing or broadcasting. But transplanting was done in some locations like Bhanga, Gazipur.
3. Phenotypic data received from different locations was not consistent. Especially, flowering and maturity of advanced lines V1, V2, V3 and V4 was uniform in Faridpur and Gopalganj, whereas found irregular in Sirajganj and Gazipur.

Since we are looking for good varieties for the deep water/flooded conditions, these lines were recommended for Re-ALART in more representative areas for further evaluation.

Table 30a. Water depth and Plant height measurement of ALART(DWR), at Bhanga, Faridpur during B. Aman 2022.

SN	DAT (no.)	Water depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)	SN	DAT (no.)	Water depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)	SN	DAT (no.)	Water depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)
1	10	10	25	5	50	12	58	9	90	28	125
2	20	12	30	6	60	15	73	10	100	25	140
3	30	12	37	7	70	16	87	11	110	26	158
4	40	13	45	8	80	30	105	12	120	51	173

*Transplanted

Table 30b. Water depth and Plant height at 10 days after Sowing (DAS) and continued up to maturity at 10 days interval, ALART, (DWR) at Sadar, Gopalganj during B. Aman 2022.

SN	DAS (no.)	Water Depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)						
			V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	V3= BR9376-6-2-2B	V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	V5=BR-KM(Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	V6=BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-	V7= Fulkori (Ck)
4	40	04	38	35	28	32	41	49	40
5	50	05	52	44	40	43	60	72	62
6	60	25	64	62	56	61	85	91	83
7	70	20	76	75	68	73	99	115	91
8	80	26	85	84	84	89	115	126	99
09	90	33	97	96	98	98	128	135	108
10	100	42	108	104	109	107	140	143	117
11	110	48	115	113	119	120	155	152	125
12	120	44	124	122	127	129	163	161	136
13	130	30	131	132	135	135	175	170	144
14	140	25	138	140	144	140	187	177	150
15	150	15	145	149	152	147	195	182	154
16	160	05	154	155	158	150	200	187	159
17	170	0	169	161	164	154	205	190	164

Table 30c. Water depth and Plant height of ALART (DWR) at Sirajganj during B. Aman 2022.

SN	DAS (no.)	Water depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)	SN	DAS (no.)	Water depth (cm)	Plant height (cm)
1	88	26	164	5	128	82	192
2	98	42	173	6	138	40	198
3	108	70	182	7	148	21	205
4	118	74	185	8	158	0	205

Table 30d. Water depth and Plant height of ALART (ALART, Deep Water Rice (DWR), during Early Aman 2022.

SN	DAT (no.)	Water depth (cm)
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	135	69
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	135	78
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	135	70
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	135	70
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	135	70
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	135	72
V7= Fulkori (ck)	135	69

*Transplanted

Table 31. Grain Yield, growth duration, and plant height of some tested rice genotypes under ALART (DWR) during B. Aman 2022.

Genotype	Location				Mean
	Bhanga Faridpur	sadar Gopalganj	Shahjadpur Sirajganj	Sadar Gazipur	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	4.09	3.50	2.06	2.58	3.06
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	3.64	2.80	1.14	2.35	2.49
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	3.59	3.10	1.12	2.30	2.52
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	4.31	3.10	1.67	2.99	3.00
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	2.82	2.60	1.59	2.13	2.28
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	2.22	2.40	1.54	1.89	2.01
V7= Fulkori (ck)	1.82	2.70	1.86	1.77	2.02
LSD_{0.05}	0.46				0.21
Growth duration (days)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	160	177	164	172	168
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	160	173	160	172	166
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	163	167	162	172	166
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	160	178	163	172	168
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	160	173	160	172	166
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	156	171	160	203	173
V7= Fulkori (ck)	156	166	161	208	173
LSD_{0.05}	1				0.45
Number of panicles m⁻²					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	165	159	214	185	181
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	170	161	192	203	182
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	181	164	159	146	163
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	156	154	188	174	168
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	159	205	222	271	214
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	160	191	248	261	215
V7= Fulkori (ck)	139	165	209	209	180
LSD_{0.05}	32				14

Table 32. Yield contributing factors of some tested genotypes under ALART (DWR) during B. Aman 2022.

Genotype	Location				Mean
	Bhanga Faridpur	sadar Gopalganj	Shahjadsipur Siraiganj	Sadar Gazipur	
1000-grain weight (TGW)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	23.67	25.70	23.77	25.10	24.56
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	23.33	21.80	20.93	22.19	22.06
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	20.33	21.90	20.63	21.14	21.00
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	22.00	25.40	23.60	22.62	23.41
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	22.33	23.60	22.33	22.96	22.81
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	21.67	23.20	21.70	21.77	22.09
V7= Fulkori (ck)	22.33	23.30	25.03	20.50	22.79
LSD_{0.05}	1.43				0.64
Panicles m⁻² (PPM)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	476	154	158	164	238
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	487	166	175	156	246
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	424	137	132	153	211
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	545	174	125	155	250
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	482	113	145	171	228
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	557	146	260	152	261
V7= Fulkori (ck)	568	143	141	151	251
LSD_{0.05}	44				20
Number of filled grains (Panicle⁻¹)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	112	103	67	107	97
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	96	99	81	88	91
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	115	93	73	104	96
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	114	82	50	116	91
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	119	78	106	142	111
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	101	53	104	92	87
V7= Fulkori (ck)	94	63	87	87	83
LSD_{0.05}	30				13
Sterility percentage (SRT %)					
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	32	31	37	21	31
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	24	11	18	28	20
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	23	24	23	36	27
V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	31	41	43	33	38
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	19	20	18	25	20
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	25	35	22	19	26
V7= Fulkori (ck)	27	24	18	39	27
LSD_{0.05}	11				5

Table 33. Disease and insect reaction of different locations under ALART (DWR) B. Aman 2022.

SN	Genotype	Disease infection (%)		Insect infestation (%)	
		Brown Spot	Sheath Blight	Rice Bug	Rat damage
1	V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	10% in Gopalganj	5% in Gopalganj	5-10% in Faridpur and Gopalganj	-
2	V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	10% in Gopalganj	-	5% in Gopalganj	-
3	V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	5% in Gopalganj	-	20% in Gopalganj	-
4	V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	10 in Gopalganj	-	10% in Gopalganj	10% in Gopalganj
5	V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	10% in Gopalganj	20% in Gopalganj	15% in Gopalganj	10-40% in Gopalganj and Faridpur
6	V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	5% in Gopalganj	20% in Gopalganj	10% in Gopalganj	15-50% in Gopalganj and Faridpur
7	V7= Fulkori (ck)	20% in Gopalganj	10% in Gopalganj	10% in Gopalganj	15-50% in Gopalganj and Faridpur

Table 34. Phenotypic Acceptance of the rice genotypes under ALART (DWR) B. Aman 2022.

Genotypes	Plant growth	Uniformity		Wrapping quality of culm	Grain type	Flag Leaf	P. Acp. Score		Farmer's Preference
		flowering	maturity				Veg.	Mat.	
V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	Uniform	Uniform/irregular	Uniform/irregular	Node exposed	Medium slender	Erect	3	7	1
V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	Uniform	Uniform/irregular	Uniform/irregular	Node exposed	Medium bold	Erect	3	7	
V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	Uniform	Uniform/irregular	Uniform/irregular	Node exposed	Medium bold	Erect	3	7	
	Uniform	Uniform/irregular	Uniform/irregular	Node exposed	Slender	Erect	3	7	2
V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	Uniform	Irregular	Irregular	Node exposed	Bold	Erect	3	9	
V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	Uniform	Irregular	Irregular	Node exposed	Medium bold	Erect	3	9	
V7= Fulkori (ck)	Uniform	Irregular	Irregular	Node exposed	Bold	Erect	5	9	

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

*Flowering and maturity were found both uniform and irregular in different locations which was confusing.

Lodging: 100% lodging was found in all entries in Gopalganj, Sirajganj and Gazipur.

Table 35. Lodging data of different locations under ALART (DWR) B. Aman 2022.

SN	Genotype	Lodging incidence (10%)			
		Faridpur	Gopalganj	Sirajganj	Gazipur
1	V1= BR10230-7-19-2B	50%	100%	100%	100%
2	V2= BR9892-6-2-2B	90%	100%	100%	100%
3	V3= BR9376-6-6-2B	90%	100%	100%	100%
4	V4= BR9392-6-2-1B	90%	100%	100%	100%
5	V5= BR-KM (Mun)-PL-5-7-3-B	90%	100%	100%	100%
6	V6= BR-DL (Hbj)-PL-12-4-7-B	100%	100%	100%	100%
7	V7= Fulkori (ck)	100%	100%	100%	100%

1.8 ALART, Superior High Yielding Rice-1 (SHR-1) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: Superior High Yielding Rice (SHR) means its superiority having grain shape and lower growth duration. The development of new elite rice varieties with high yield and superior quality is challenging for traditional breeding approaches, and new strategies need to be developed. Here, we evaluated four advanced lines along with standard checks BRR1 dhan81. The new genotypes exhibit higher yield potential and minimum growth duration. With this view, we evaluated these superior high yielding breeding lines under integrated improved management practices in different agro-climatic conditions of Bangladesh.

Hypothesis: There is possibility to identify and select suitable superior high yielding rice genotypes for favorable environment in Boro season.

Materials and Methods: Three superior high yielding rice (SHR-1) advanced lines; BRH10-1-14-2-6; BRH13-2-4-7-2B and BRH15-24-7B, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated along with the check variety BRR1 dhan81. The entries were evaluated in ten different locations of the country such as Sherpur (Bogura), Sadar (Kushtia), Sadar (Meherpur), Mujibnagar (Meherpur), Sharsha (Jessore), Paba (Rajshahi), Baniachang (Habiganj), Sadar (Cumilla), Sadar (Rangpur), Mithapukur (Rangpur) and BRR1 HQ Gazipur. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done around at the date of 4th week of November 2022 for all the locations. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 30-35 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 40-17-20-15-1.5 kg Bigha⁻¹. TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied as basal urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Standard and uniform management practices were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but not diseases. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components (Table 36 and 37). Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (6.78 t/ha) was obtained in BRH10-1-14-2-6 followed by BRH13-2-4-7-2B (6.75 t/ha), BRH15-24-7B (6.10 t/ha), and BRR1 dhan81 (ck) (5.31 t/ha). Compared to standard check BRR1 dhan81 (Ck) the mean growth duration of lines BRH10-1-14-2-6; BRH13-2-4-7-2B and BRH15-24-7B were 2-4 days longer. Highest growth duration was observed in V3= BRH15-24-7B (148 days) line and lowest was observed in standard check BRR1 dhan81 (144 days) (Table 1). The highest plant height was 92 cm found in the V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6; V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B and V4= BRR1 dhan81 (ck) followed by the advanced line V3=BRH15-24-7B (86 cm). However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the advanced line V3= BRH15-24-7B (86 cm) (Table 2). The lowest 1000-grain weight (TGW) of tested lines was found in V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B (18.44 gm), & V3=BRH15-24-7B (19.07 gm) and the highest TGW was found in BRR1 dhan81 (20.98 gm) (Table 37). The average panicle m⁻² range varied from 223 to 275 and the highest mean panicle m⁻² was found in V3=BRH15-24-7B (275) followed by V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B (246) whereas the lowest panicle m⁻² was found in V4= BRR1 dhan81 (ck) (223) (Table 2). On an average, the highest filled grains panicle⁻¹ (167) was found in V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6 followed by V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B (162). The highest sterility % was found in in V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B (30.79%) and lowest was observed in V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6 (26.29%) (Table 37).

Disease infestation: Disease infections were found in all entries including checks in some locations. Neck blast (5-70% in 5 loc.), Leaf Blast 70-80% in 2 loc.), Brown spot (10-20% in

3 loc.), and BLB (5-25% in 3 loc.) were reported in some entries at several locations are given in Table 38.

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. But, in some locations Stem borer (01-10%), Rice bug (01-05%) and Rat damage (05-20%) were reported with no mentionable difference among the entries. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary. The insect infestations were similar in all the entries. (Table 39)

Farmer preference and feedback of DAE personnel: Associated farmers and responsible DAE personnel preferred more the entry; BRH10-1-14-2-6 than the check variety BRRIdhan81.

Recommendation: Considering yield, growth duration, disease reactions and phenotypic acceptance, tested entries; V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6 & V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B may be recommended for PVT after confirmation of uniform maturity.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Grain yield of tested lines V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6 & V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B were higher than standard check BRRIdhan81.
2. Average growth duration of tested lines were 2-4 days higher than standard check BRRIdhan81.
3. Lodging incidence was not observed in any of the tested lines.
4. Irregular flowering and irregular maturity were found in several locations like Rangpur, Bogura, West byde Gazipur, Satkhira according to ALART monitoring team report.
5. Neck blast, leaf blast, brown spot, BLB were comparatively less in above recommended lines than standard check.

Table 36. Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of some rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during Boro 2023.

Genotypes	Locations										Mean
	Bogura Sadar	Kushitia Sadar	Meherpur	Sharsha (Tessore)	Paba (Raishahi)	Baniachang (Habiganj)	Sadar (Cumilla)	Sadar (Ranorur)	Mithapukur (Ranorur)	BRRIdhan81 Gazipur	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	5.3 9	6.5 7	6.3 8	7.6 3	7.4 3	6.03	5.6 6	8.0 1	8.0 1	6.6 7	6.78
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	5.7 2	6.5 6	6.3 4	7.7 7	7.6 2	4.78	5.8 5	7.9 5	8.4 1	6.4 9	6.75
V3= BRH15-24-7B	5.6 3	5.8 9	5.5 5	6.7 8	6.8 3	4.8	4.9 2	6.9 3	7.5 5	6.0 9	6.10
V4= BRRIdhan81 (ck)	5.2 4	4.2 3	5.6 7	6.5 6	7.0 9	1.94	3.3 5	5.4 3	6.6 0	6.9 8	5.31
LSD (0.05)	0.80										0.25
CV	8.02										
Growth duration (days)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	152	142	145	134	154	142	140	150	151	153	146
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	150	139	146	138	149	148	143	150	149	155	147
V3= BRH15-24-7B	155	143	147	145	153	138	142	151	153	156	148
V4= BRRIdhan81 (ck)	148	138	145	134	150	135	143	147	149	146	144
LSD (0.05)	0.84										0.26
CV	0.35										
Plant height (cm)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	96	86	83	102	94	95.7	85	87	92	103	92

V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	99	83	83	111	88	95.2	86	86	90	93	92
V3= BRH15-24-7B	94	81	81	103	88	84.1 6	76	83	82	90	86
V4= BRRI dhan81 (ck)	116	88	88	94	94	77.6	86	87	92	98	92
LSD (0.05)	4.13										1.30
CV	2.81										

Table 37. Yield contributing characters of some rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during Boro 2023

Genotypes	Locations										Mean
	Bogura Sadar	Kushtia Sadar	Mujibnagar (Meherpur)	Sharsha (Jessore)	Paba (Raishahi)	Baniachang (Habiganj)	Sadar (Cumilla)	Sadar (Rangpur)	Mithapukur (Rangpur)	BRI Gazipur	
1000-grain weight (g)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	18.3	17.5	17.1	26.3	16.9	21.8	18.7	17.4	16.3	21.1	19.1
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	17.5	16.6	17.0	23.1	17.1	19.8	20.6	16.3	15.5	21.0	18.4
V3= BRH15-24-7B	18.5	17.1	17.5	27.2	17.3	19.5	19.7	17.3	18.3	18.2	19.1
V4= BRRI dhan81(ck)	19.3	20.9	22.2	22.8	22.4	20.8	20.8	18.8	20.7	21.1	21.0
LSD (0.05)	2.13										0.67
CV	4.10										
Panicles m⁻² (no.)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	283	209	311	54	258	280	242	212	254	284	239
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	307	260	240	55	247	288	228	249	284	301	246
V3= BRH15-24-7B	267	275	332	61	262	318	225	266	443	303	275
V4= BRRI dhan81(ck)	276	235	283	63	260	163	189	239	232	293	223
LSD (0.05)	28.96										9.14
CV	7.25										
Filled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	135	167	142	337	134	119	131	203	176	121	167
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	130	159	130	323	149	130	129	184	172	115	162
V3= BRH15-24-7B	92	121	101	228	106	85	115	122	151	114	123
V4= BRRI dhan81	123	110	101	269	137	44	118	100	130	124	126
LSD (0.05)	24.96										7.8
CV	10.63										
Sterility (%)											
V1=BRH10-1-14-2-6	26	33	30	23	36	27	17	39	16	16	26
V2=BRH13-2-4-7-2B	26	32	28	33	37	19	16	49	46	22	31
V3= BRH15-24-7B	30	18	20	38	34	38	18	32	30	19	28
V4= BRRI dhan8	39	36	19	20	23	64	15	47	20	20	30
LSD (0.05)	5.73										1.81
CV	12.28										

Table 38. Disease incidence (%) of some rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence Score			
		Neck Blast	Leaf Blast	Brown spot	BLB
1	V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6	Cumilla (5%),	-	Bogura Sadar (10%)	Cumilla (10%), Rangpur (25%)
2	V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B	Cumilla (5%),	-	Cumilla (20%), Satkhira (10%), Bogura Sadar (20%)	Cumilla (10%), Rangpur (20%)
3	V2= BRH15-24-7B	10% in Cumilla	-	Satkhira (10%), Bogura Sadar (10%)	Rangpur (20%), Gazipur (5%)
4	V4= BRRI dhan81	Cumilla (50%), Sadar (70%), Rangpur (30%), Mithapukur (30%)	Habiganj (80%), Satkhira (70%)	Bogura Sadar (10%)	Satkhira (10%), Rangpur (10%), Gazipur (5%)

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 39. Insect infestation of the rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-1) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Stem borer	Rice bug	Rat Damage
1	V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6	1-15% in all locations	1-5% in all location	5-20% 2 location
2	V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B	1-20% in all locations	1-5% in all location	5-20% 2 location
3	V2= BRH15-24-7B	1-10% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	5-20% 2 location
4	V4= BRRI dhan81	1-15% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	5-20% 2 location

Table 40. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under ALART(SHR-1) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Characteristics							
		Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
								Veg.	Mat.
1	V1= BRH10-1-14-2-6	Good	Non uniform	Non uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3
2	V2= BRH13-2-4-7-2B	Good	Non uniform	Non uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
3	V3= BRH15-24-7B	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
4	V4= BRRI dhan81	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.9 ALART, Superior High Yielding Rice-2 (SHR-2) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: Rice is the primary food crop for over half the world's population, with close to 1.5 billion tons produced each year. To meet the ever-increasing demand for food, because of population growth and improved living standards, world rice production needs to double by 2030. Superior High Yielding Rice (SHR) means its superiority having grain shape and lower growth duration. Those lines must have higher grain yield than existing local and modern rice

varieties along with fine grain shape and medium growth duration. Now a days, fine grain type varieties have higher demand in the market throughout the country. Here, we evaluated three advanced lines along with standard check BRR1 dhan88.

Hypothesis: There is possibility to identify and select suitable superior high yielding rice genotypes for favorable environment in Boro season.

Materials and Methods: Three superior high yielding rice (SHR-2) advanced lines i.e., BRH11-2-4-7B, BRH13-2-4-2-1B and BRH238-5-1-4-2, developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRR1 dhan81 during Boro 2023. The entries were evaluated in ten different locations of the country such as Sherpur (Bogura), Kushtia Sadar, Meherpur, Sharsha (Jessore), Paba (Rajshahi), Baniachang (Habiganj), Sadar (Cumilla), Sadar (Rangpur), Mithapukur (Rangpur) and BRR1 HQ Gazipur. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done around at the date of 4th week of November 2022 for all the locations. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 30-35 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 40-17-20-15-1.5 kg Bigha-1. All fertilizers were applied as basal and in addition urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Standard and uniform management practices were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components (Table 41 and 42). Among the genotypes BRH11-2-4-7B, BRH238-5-1-4-2 and BRR1 dhan81 gave almost similar yield but the yield of BRH11-2-4-7B is statistically higher than the others. The highest mean grain yield (6.35 t ha⁻¹) was obtained in BRH13-2-4-2-1B followed by BRH238-5-1-4-2 (6.04 t/ha), BRH11-2-4-7B (6.03 t/ha), and BRR1 dhan88 (ck) (5.88 t/ha). Compared to standard checks the mean growth duration of all the advanced lines were longer. Highest growth duration was observed in V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (152 days) line and lowest was observed in BRR1 dhan88 (145 days) (Table 1). The tallest mean plant height was 108 cm found in the V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (108cm) followed by the advanced line V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 (97 cm), V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B (96 cm) and V4=BRR1 dhan88 (Ck) (90 cm). The lowest 1000-grain weight (TGW) of tested lines was found in V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B (21.6 g) followed by V4=BRR1 dhan88 (Ck) (22g) and highest 1000 grain weight was found in V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 (23.4g). (Table 42). The average panicle m⁻² range varied from 262 to 281 and the highest mean panicle m⁻² was found in V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 (281) followed by V4=BRR1 dhan88 (Ck) (278) whereas the lowest panicle m⁻² was found in V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (260) (Table 2). On an average, the highest filled grains panicle⁻¹ (125) was found in V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B followed by V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (110), V4=BRR1 dhan88 (Ck) (108) (Table 2). The highest sterility % was found in V2= BRH13-2-4-2-1B (32.8%) and lowest was observed in V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B (21.4%) (Table 42).

Phenotypic acceptance score of V4=BRR1 dhan88 (Ck) was good in respect of growth, uniformity and grain size (Table 5). In case of V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B, V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B and V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 irregular flowering, plant height and maturity were found.

Disease infestation: Disease infections were found in all entries including checks in some locations. Neck blast scored 1-5 in 4 locations and V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2 found more susceptible to neck blast than others. All the varieties were found susceptible to brown spot,

Sheath blight, BLB and scored 1-7 in 5 locations, 1-7 in 5 locations, 1-5 in 5 locations consequently. Scored 1 Leaf blast was found in Habiganj and gazipur (Table 43).

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. But, in some locations Stem borer (1-3), Rice bug (1-3) and Leaf roller (1) were reported with no mentionable difference among the entries. Rat damage was only found in Cumilla region and V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B is more susceptible to rat damage. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary. The insect infestations were similar in all the entries. (Table 44)

Preference of Farmers and DAE personnel: Although farmers preferred V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B line compared to other tested lines and check variety but yield increase was not upto the expected level

Recommendation: Considering yield, growth duration and other parameters, none of the tested lines were found for PVT.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Although yield of the V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B line was statistically higher than the check variety BRRI dhan88 but not upto the expected level.
2. Average growth duration of tested lines were higher than check BRRI dhan88.
3. Uneven plant growth, irregular flowering and maturity were observed in all tested entries.
4. Regarding other phenotypic and yield components parameter, there are no significant advantages observed in lines compared to check varieties.

Table 41. Grain yield, growth duration and plant height of the rice genotypes under ALART Superior High Yielding Rice (SHR-2), Boro 2023.

Genotype	Location										Mean
	Bogura	Cumilla (sadar)	Gazipur (brri wb)	Habiganj (baniachang)	Kushia (meherpur)	Kushia (sadar)	Rajshahi (paba)	Rangpur (mithapukur)	Rangpur (sadar)	Satkira (sadar)	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	6.57	4.71	5.98	5.46	5.71	5.48	6.80	7.30	5.39	6.91	6.03
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	5.66	3.69	5.96	5.72	6.20	6.25	8.25	8.05	7.31	6.40	6.35
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	7.52	4.48	5.46	4.87	5.81	5.76	6.34	7.88	5.42	6.90	6.04
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	6.28	3.50	4.32	6.18	6.28	5.54	7.50	8.14	5.67	5.42	5.88
LSD_{0.05}	0.61										0.19
CV	6.15										
Growth duration (day)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	149	141	148	151	147	140	147	151	152	134	146
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	153	145	152	153	156	151	153	162	162	134	152
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	147	144	150	155	146	140	149	152	152	137	147
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	145	142	146	151	143	137	146	151	151	134	145
LSD_{0.05}	0.63										0.20
CV	0.26										
Plant height (cm)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	108	90	97	98	95	106	98	93	89	87	96
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	122	103	107	106	106	124	102	116	104	88	108
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	105	96	94	103	96	105	95	98	90	86	97
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	97	86	90	93	88	93	94	90	82	91	90
LSD_{0.05}	6.05										1.91
CV	3.81										

Table 42. Yield components of some rice genotypes under ALART Superior High Yielding Rice-2 (SHR-2) during Boro 2023.

Genotype	Location										Mean
	Bogura	Cumilla (sadar)	Gazipur (brri wb)	Habiganj (baniachang)	Kushtia (meherpur)	Kushtia (sadar)	Rajshahi (paba)	Rangpur (mithapukur)	Rangpur (sadar)	Satkhira (sadar)	
Panicles m⁻² (no.)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	294	164	282	319	309	224	271	259	208	292	262
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	310	171	318	277	258	255	290	283	201	236	260
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	361	179	266	380	299	257	260	278	155	378	281
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	293	165	255	292	330	282	256	265	343	299	278
LSD_{0.05}	37.58										11.88
CV	8.54										
1000-grain weight (g)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	22.7	22.6	20.2	22.8	23.5	21.4	19.7	21.2	20.4	21.2	21.6
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	21.3	23.4	22.0	23.0	20.2	20.9	24.3	23.0	24.1	18.6	22.1
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	23.3	23.8	22.8	25.8	26.0	24.0	23.8	22.1	22.0	20.7	23.4
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	21.7	21.6	21.6	22.0	22.7	21.6	21.0	21.2	21.2	25.1	22.0
LSD_{0.05}	1.30										0.41
CV	3.60										
Filled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	144	130	127	98	93	135	89	126	153	156	125
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	88	118	116	84	102	115	90	118	121	147	110
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	91	118	132	85	95	91	60	144	138	111	107
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	96	114	118	95	102	99	102	147	116	93	108
LSD_{0.05}	46.45										14.69
CV	12.94										
Unfilled Grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	25	20	30	43	28	42	32	24	29	70	34
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	57	19	57	50	41	41	53	91	101	43	55
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	16	23	32	43	24	34	31	44	53	22	32
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	30	19	41	28	27	36	44	19	41	24	31
LSD_{0.05}	13.22										4.18
CV	14.35										
Sterility (%)											
V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	14.6	13.5	19.2	30.4	23.1	23.7	26.6	16.0	16.0	31.1	21.4
V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	38.9	13.9	33.1	37.7	28.7	26.5	37.2	43.6	45.4	22.7	32.8
V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	15.1	16.6	19.1	33.7	20.1	27.2	35.6	23.6	27.9	16.5	23.5
V4=BRRI dhan88 (Ck)	24.4	14.3	25.8	22.7	20.6	26.8	30.3	11.5	25.9	20.4	22.3
LSD_{0.05}	5.98										1.89
CV	14.71										

Table 43. Disease incidence of the rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-2) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence Score				
		Neck Blast (Score)	Leaf Blast	Brown spot	BLB	ShB
1	BRH11-2-4-7B	Cumilla (1),	Habiganj (3),	Rangpur Mithapukur (5) Rangpur sadar (3) Bogura (1) Rajshahi (3)	Cumilla (1), Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (1)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (1) Rajshahi (3)
2	BRH13-2-4-2-1B	Cumilla (1),	Habiganj (3),	Satkhira (1), Rangpur sadar (3) Rangpur Mithapukur (5) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (3)	Cumilla (1), Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (3)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (3)
3	BRH238-5-1-4-2	Cumilla (5) Rangpur Mithapukur (1) Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (1)	Habiganj (3),	Rangpur Mithapukur (5) Rangpur sadar (3) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (5)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3), Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (5) Rajshahi (7)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (3) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (3)
4	BRRIdhan88 (Ck)	Cumilla (5), Rangpur Mithapukur (1) Bogura (1)	Habiganj (1),	Satkhira (1), Rangpur sadar (5) Rangpur Mithapukur (7) Bogura (3) Rajshahi (5)	Satkhira (10%), Rangpur Mithapukur (7), Rangpur sadar (1) Bogura (7) Rajshahi (7)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3) Rangpur sadar (5) Bogura (5) Rajshahi (5)

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 44. Insect infestation score of the rice genotypes under ALART (SHR-2) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Stem borer	Leaf Roller	Rice bug	Rat Damage
1	V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	Rangpur Mithapukur (1), Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1), Gazipur (1)	Habiganj (1), Gazipur (1)	Rangpur sadar (3), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1)	-
2	V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	Rangpur Mithapukur (1), Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1), Gazipur (1)	Habiganj (1), Gazipur (1)	Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1)	Cumilla (3)
3	V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	Rangpur Mithapukur (1), Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1), Gazipur (1)	Habiganj (1), Gazipur (1)	Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (3), Rajshahi (1)	Cumilla (1)
4	V4=BRRIdhan88 (Ck)	Rangpur Mithapukur (3), Rangpur sadar (1), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (1), Gazipur (1)	Habiganj (1), Gazipur (1)	Rangpur sadar (3), Bogura (1), Rajshahi (3)	Cumilla (1)

Table 45. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under ALART(SHR-2) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Characteristics
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		Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
								Ve g	Mat.
1	V1 = BRH11-2-4-7B	Good	Not Uniform	Not Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Semi droopy	5	5
2	V2 = BRH13-2-4-2-1B	Good	Not Uniform	Not Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	5	5
3	V3 = BRH238-5-1-4-2	Good	Not Uniform	Not Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Semi droopy	7	5
4	V4=BRRIdhan88 (Ck)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.10 Re-ALART, Favorable Boro Rice-Barishal (FBR-Barishal) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: Population of Bangladesh is increasing day by day. For sustainable food security, we have to put more emphasis on rice production in favorable condition in Boro season. We have couple of varieties for favorable condition in Boro season. Yield of these varieties has been increased in a certain level and stagnant. Some varieties became susceptible to pest and disease incidence. So, we need more FBR varieties to break down the yield ceiling. With this view, four advanced lines, developed by BRRI regional station Barishal, were evaluated in different agro-ecological conditions of Bangladesh. Hypothesis: Rice genotype suitable for favorable Boro rice may come out from evaluation at farmers' field.

Materials and method: Four advanced lines developed by BRRI regional station Barishal: BRBa 1-4-9, BRBa14-NGR414-1, BRBa 3-1-7 and BRBa40-NGR1255-1 were evaluated against two check varieties BRRIdhan58 and BRRIdhan89 in twelve different locations of the country during Boro 2023. The entries were evaluated in twelve locations such as Gopalganj (Kotalipara), Faridpur (Nagarkanda), Barishal (Sadar), Rangpur (Sadar) Natore (Singra), Sirajganj (Tarash), Cumilla (Burichang), Feni (Fulgazi), Kushtia (Sadar), Habiganj (Baniachang), Mymensingh (Sadar) and BRRI research farm Gazipur. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done from 14th November to 20th November 2022. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 35-40 days. Seedlings were transplanted at 20 cm x 20 cm spacing. Fertilizers were applied at 124: 22: 75: 20: 4 kg NPKSZn /ha. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Other standard management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers, SA/SAAO, scientists and DAE personnel were scheduled to be recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: There were no significant difference between check variety and advanced lines. Irrespective of locations, the advanced line V1= BRBa 1-4-9 produced the mean grain yield (7.71 t/ha) t ha⁻¹ which was similar to the check variety BRRIdhan89 (Table 1) and the advanced line V2=BRBa14-NGR414-1, V3=BRBa 3-1-7 and V4= BRBa40-NGR1255-1 produced the mean grain yield 7.52, 7.57 t/ha and 7.24 tha⁻¹ which was similar to

the check varieties BRRI dhan89 (Table 44). The check variety BRRI dhan58 (Ck) gave the lowest mean yield (6.37 t/ha) among all the four advanced lines and check variety BRRI dhan89. The highest grain yield (7.71 t ha⁻¹) was produced by the advanced line V1= BRBa 1-4-9 followed by V3=BRBa 3-1-7 7.57, V2=BRBa14-NGR414-17.52, and BRRI dhan89 (Ck) 7.50 t/ha. Mean growth duration over 12 locations of the advanced line V1=BRBa 1-4-9 (entry no. 1) was 154 days which was one day higher than the check variety BRRI dhan89 (153 days) but lower than another check variety BRRI dhan58 (150 days) (Table 46). Mean growth duration of the advanced line V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1 (entry no.2) was 153 days which was same with the check variety BRRI dhan89 (153 days). Mean growth duration of the advanced line V3= BRBa 3-1-7 and V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1) was 152 days (Table 46). Among all the entries including checks, the longest mean plant height(110cm) was observed in V1, followed by the entries V4(106cm) and check variety BRRI dhan89 (105 cm) (Table 46). Plant height of check variety BRRI dhan58 and V2 ranged from 100-101 cm. The tested entry V3 produced comparatively higher panicles (297) followed by V2 (291), V1(289), BRRI dhan89 (282), v5 BRRI dhan58 (271) and V4(268) (Table 2). Filled grains/panicle of check varieties was higher (136) than the tested entries V3-V4 (116-131) (Table 47). Sterility percentages of the tested entries varied from 22.65-25.57% and it was 19.8-20.36% for the check varieties (Table 47). Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of the rice genotypes under ALART(FBR-Barishal) in Boro 2023.

Disease infestation: Disease infections were found in all entries including checks in some locations. Neck blast (3-60% in 2 loc.), Leaf Blast 3-8% in 1 loc.), Brown spot (3-5% in 3 loc.), and BLB (1% in 1 loc.) SHB (1-3% In 3 loc.) and SB (1-3% in 2 loc.) were reported in some entries at several locations are given in Table 48.

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. But, in some locations RLF (1-3% in 1 loc.) Stem borer (01-3%), WM (1% in 2 loc.) and Rat damage (1-15%) were reported with no mentionable difference among the entries. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary. The insect infestations were similar in all the entries. (Table 49)

Rat Damage: All advanced lines and check varieties in Cumilla and Faridpur had (1-5%) rat infestation.

Bird Damage: All advanced lines and check varieties in Faridpur was (1-5%) damaged by rat about 5% in Faridpur.

Recommendation: Considering yield, growth duration and insect disease reactions, none of the tested lines found suitable for Proposed variety trial (PVT).

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Grain yield of tested lines were almost similar to standard check variety BRRI dhan89
2. Average growth duration of tested lines was almost similar to the Check variety BRRI dhan89
3. Irregularities during flowering and maturity stage were observed in V1=BRBa 1-4-9 and V2= BRBa14-NGR414-1 at Mymensingh and Faridpur.
4. Regarding other phenotypic and yield components parameter, there are no significant advantages observed in lines compared to check varieties

Table 46. Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of the rice genotypes under Re-ALART (FBR-Barishal) during Boro 2023

Genotypes	Locations												
	BRRI Gazipur	Gopalganj (Zakaria)	Faridpur (Nagarkanda)	Barishal (Sadar)	Rangpur (Sadar)	Natore (Singra)	Sirajganj (Tarash)	Cumilla (Burichang)	Kushtia (Sadar)	Habiganj (Baniachang)	Mymensingh (Sadar)	Feni (Fulgazi)	Mean
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	7.73	7.89	8.08	8.35	6.53	9.15	8.10	6.44	7.00	8.24	8.16	6.90	7.71
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	8.38	6.45	6.95	7.79	6.56	9.74	8.53	6.32	6.54	8.16	8.04	6.72	7.52
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	8.11	8.07	8.07	6.87	7.34	9.00	8.19	5.79	7.17	8.00	7.61	6.58	7.57
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	8.02	6.90	7.73	7.96	7.26	9.17	7.85	3.18	6.80	8.04	7.51	6.47	7.24
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	5.98	6.90	6.27	5.33	6.05	8.79	8.63	2.43	6.83	7.06	5.51	6.61	6.37
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	7.61	7.70	7.47	7.21	6.66	9.15	8.56	5.35	6.97	8.44	7.33	7.52	7.50
LSD (0.05)	0.95												0.27
CV	8.10												
Growth duration (days)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	159	148	153	144	162	155	157	148	150	156	161	156	154
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	159	148	153	142	162	156	155	147	147	153	164	154	153
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	156	146	154	142	158	156	156	145	143	153	158	152	152
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	158	147	154	146	158	153	156	136	149	153	163	155	152
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	154	142	151	141	153	153	154	141	145	151	159	152	150
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	157	147	153	149	158	156	154	139	151	156	160	155	153
LSD (0.05)	0.56												0.16
CV	0.23												
Plant height (cm)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	102	120	103	105	103	119	125	101	122	109	102	112	110
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	94	101	92	112	98	105	110	96	107	98	95	101	101
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	89	95	90	104	85	102	105	96	100	93	87	86	94
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	101	119	105	99	99	117	122	77	120	106	102	107	106
V5= BRRI dhan58	100	102	94	108	84	107	112	87	102	102	99	99	100
V6= BRRI dhan89	98	111	105	92	98	116	118	89	118	107	103	104	105
LSD (0.05)	7.79												2.24
CV	4.55												

Table 47. Yield components of the rice genotypes under Re-ALART (FBR-Barishal) during Boro 2023.

Genotypes	Locations											Mean	
	BRRI Gazipur	Gopalganj (Kotalipara)	Faridpur (Nagarkanda)	Barishal (Sadar)	Natore (Singra)	Sirajganj (Tarash)	Cumilla (Burichang)	Feni (Fulgazi)	Kushtia (Sadar)	Habiganj (Baniachang)	Mymensingh (Sadar)		Rangpur (Sadar)
1000-grain weight (g)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	22.67	25.28	24.27	23.93	23.53	26.00	18.45	23.06	21.49	17.88	21.74	24.33	24.27
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	22.68	21.22	23.77	21.00	22.41	21.67	17.75	22.22	18.64	15.99	22.13	22.67	21.01
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	22.76	23.33	24.77	23.84	24.48	23.50	19.79	23.23	21.03	19.78	22.50	23.67	22.72
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	21.80	26.79	25.63	27.26	25.00	25.33	18.43	23.77	20.84	20.27	22.00	25.67	23.57
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	23.43	20.41	23.27	24.14	23.19	22.50	20.28	23.49	23.56	20.50	24.27	23.33	22.70
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	22.82	23.89	25.50	21.06	24.47	25.50	17.98	23.19	23.68	16.72	26.36	23.67	22.90
LSD (0.05)	0.79												2.75
CV	7.54												
Panicles m⁻² (no.)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	307	299	277	270	285	380	247	309	244	293	312	249	289
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	304	313	276	227	278	432	223	317	236	301	329	258	291
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	314	317	295	274	272	422	230	294	264	302	296	283	297
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	294	223	257	270	264	336	177	302	229	258	308	292	268
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	272	289	255	252	273	416	193	281	241	276	281	217	271
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	296	266	294	299	261	393	232	310	203	295	291	242	282
LSD (0.05)	34.94												10.08
CV	7.66												
Filled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	130	134	127	144	136	103	128	112	124	120	121	127	126
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	112	117	133	140	151	86	123	112	122	131	134	148	126
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	114	119	127	131	102	95	122	119	116	112	87	145	116
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	133	138	142	162	139	124	130	106	115	110	113	163	131
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	108	144	160	140	147	122	115	123	116	101	106	163	129
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	119	150	160	149	134	96	114	128	123	135	119	201	136
LSD (0.05)	21.10												6.09
CV	10.82												
Sterility (%)													
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	31.31	36.87	28.27	10.21	11.35	33.05	16.04	16.96	25	17.49	29.32	36.01	24.32
V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	28.44	44.88	35.49	7.92	17.53	36.69	15.02	17.54	30.66	11.24	31.98	29.46	25.57
V3= BRBa 3-1-7	26.68	33.23	24.14	8.85	19.86	29.87	15.67	19.41	23.24	16.61	33.80	37.44	24.09
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1	20.42	34.74	24.28	11.19	13.09	26.41	16.70	20.76	29.45	21.67	31.69	21.13	22.65
V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)	27.81	24.59	17.18	6.63	11.29	15.65	16.40	19.03	26.26	23.00	33.46	16.96	19.82
V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	27.98	29.68	18.47	9.36	15.21	25.76	17.61	14.85	21.58	14.78	31.86	16.79	20.36
LSD (0.05)	5.92												1.70
CV	19.21												

Table 48. Disease incidence of the rice genotypes under Re- ALART (FBR-Barishal) Boro 2023.

Genotypes	SB		ShB		BLB		Leaf Blast	BS		NB		
	Location	Scale (%)	Location	Scale (%)	Location	Scale (%)	Location	Scale (%)	Location	Scale (%)	Location	Scale (%)
V1=BRBa 1-4-9	2	Rangpur (1%), Faridpur (2%)	3	Rangpur 1%, Mymensingh 1%, Sirajganj (1%)	1	Sirajganj (1%)	1	Mymensingh (4%)	3	Faridpur (5%), Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj (5%)		
V2=BRBa 14-NGR4 14-1	2	Rangpur (1%), Faridpur (2%)	3	Rangpur 1%, Mymensingh (3%), Sirajganj (3%)	1	Sirajganj (1%)	1	Mymensingh (3%)	3	Faridpur (5%), Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj (6%)		
V3=BRBa 3-1-7	2	Rangpur 1%, Faridpur (2%)	3	Rangpur 1%, Mymensingh (3%), Sirajganj (3%)	1	Sirajganj (3%)	1	Mymensingh (53%)	3	Faridpur (5%), Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj (6%)	1	Faridpur (3%)
V4=BRBa 40-NGR1 255-1	2	Rangpur (1%), Faridpur (2%)	2	Rangpur 1% (Mymensingh (3%), Sirajganj (1%))	1	Sirajganj (1%)	1	Mymensingh (5%)	3	Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj		
V5=BRRI dhan58 (ck)	2	Rangpur (1%), Faridpur (2%)	2	Mymensingh (5%), Sirajganj (1%)	1	Sirajganj (3%)	1	Mymensingh (3%)	2	Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj (5%)	2	Cumilla 60%, Faridpur (3%)
V6=BRRI dhan89 (ck)	2	Faridpur (5%)	2	Mymensingh (5%), Sirajganj (3%)	1	Sirajganj (3%)	1	Mymensingh (8%)	2	Sirajganj (3%), Gopalganj (9%)	2	Cumilla 10%, Faridpur (5%)

Table 49. Insect infestation score of the rice genotypes under Re-ALART (FBR-Barishal) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	RLF	SB	WM	Rat Damage	Bird Damage
1	V1=BRBa 1-4-9	Sirajganj (1%)	Sirajganj (1%)	Sirajganj (1%), Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur 5%, Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur (5%)
2	V2=BRBa 14-NGR414-1	Sirajganj (1%)	Sirajganj (3%)	Sirajganj (1%)	Faridpur 5%, Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur (5%)
3	V3= BRBa 3-1-7	Sirajganj (3%)	Sirajganj (3%)	Sirajganj (1%), Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur 5%, Cumilla(3%)	Faridpur (5%)
4	V4=BRBa 40-NGR1255-1		Sirajganj (1%)	Cumilla(1%), Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur 20%, Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur (5%)
5	V5= BRRI dhan58 (ck)		Sirajganj (1%)	Sirajganj (1%), Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur 15%	Faridpur (5%),
6	V6= BRRI dhan89 (ck)	Sirajganj	Sirajganj	Sirajganj (1%),	Faridpur 10%, Cumilla(1%)	Faridpur (5%)

Table 50. Phenotypic Acceptance of the rice genotypes under ALART, FBR-Barishal, Boro 2023

Genotype	Characteristics							
	Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality of culm	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
							Veg	Mat
V1= BRBa 1-4-9	Uniform	Uniform	Uniform	Well, wrapped	Bold	Erect	1	1
V2=BRBa14-NGR414-1	Attractive	Irregular	Irregular	Semi wrapped	Medium bold	Droopy	3	3
V3=BRBa 3-1-7	Excellent	Irregular	Irregular	Node exposed	Long bold	Semi Droopy	5	5
V4= BRBa40-NGR1255-1	Good	Uniform	uniform	Well, wrapped	Slender	Horizontal	7	7
V5=BRRIdhan58 (Ck)	Fair	Uniform	Uniform	Well, wrapped	Medium Slender	Narrow	9	9
BRRIdhan89 (Ck)	Poor	Uniform	Uniform	Well, wrapped	Long slender	Wider	1	1

Phenotypic Acceptability (PAcp): 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.11 ALART, Favorable Boro Rice having short duration (FBR-SD), Boro 2023

Rationale: Bangladesh experiences distinct wet and dry seasons, with the dry season, known as the Boro season, presenting a challenge for rice cultivation due to water scarcity. In this context, short-duration Boro rice varieties have proven to be well-suited, as they require less water and can complete their life cycle within the limited duration of the dry season. Moreover, as the country faces climate change impacts, such as unpredictable rainfall patterns and prolonged dry spells, the resilience of short-duration Boro rice varieties becomes even more valuable. These varieties can better withstand varying climate scenarios and reduce dependence on continuous water availability. To ensure sustainable food security, we require Boro rice varieties that can yield more within a shorter growing period. To ensure sustainable food security, we require Boro rice varieties that can produce higher yields within shorter duration. These types of shorter growth duration rice will play a crucial role in mitigating our food needs and promoting long-term agricultural stability. To fulfill the demand four advanced lines developed by the Plant Breeding division [V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109, V4= IR17A1723] were tested in different locations of the country against check varieties V5= BRRIdhan81 (Ck) and V6= BRRIdhan96.

Hypothesis: Short duration favorable rice genotype may be identified suitable for Boro season.

Materials and method:

Four advanced lines, V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109, V4= IR17A1723 were tested along with the check varieties V5= BRRIdhan81 (Ck), V6= BRRIdhan96 (Ck) in 12 different locations such as Rangpur, Gopalganj, Faridpur, Barishal, Natore, Sirajganj, Cumilla, Feni, Kushtia, Habiganj, Manikganj and Gazipur during Boro 2023. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size was 20 m² (4.0m x 5.0m). Seeding time for twelve locations varied from last week of November to last week of December 2022. Seedling age varied from 35-40 days among the locations. Seedlings were transplanted at 20 cm x 20 cm spacing. Fertilizers were applied at 260: 100: 120: 110: 10 kg of Urea: DAP: MoP: Gypsum: ZnSO₄ /ha respectively. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 10 days, 30 days after transplanting, and 5 days before PI stage. BRRIdhan recommended management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering

and maturity, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and extension personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yield was adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion:

The results from Cumilla were excluded from the analysis due to outlier. On an average of eleven locations, three advanced V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109 yielded significantly higher than check BRRI dhan81 (5.98 t ha⁻¹) and V6=BRRI dhan96 (6.79 t ha⁻¹). The highest yielder line V1=BR11318-5R-63 yielded 7.30 t ha⁻¹ (ranging from 6.09 t ha⁻¹ at Barishal to 9.31 t ha⁻¹ at Natore) followed by V3=SVIN109 yielded 7.25 t ha⁻¹ (ranging from 5.87 t ha⁻¹ at Rangpur to 9.49 t ha⁻¹ at Natore (Table 51). All lines performed better in Gopalganj, Faridpur, Natore, Sirajganj and Gazipur. It means environment had significant effect on the genotypes.

The environmental conditions noticeably influenced the lifespan of all the tested lines, including the reference checks. Notably, there were significant variations in growth duration among the different lines. Specifically, three advanced lines - V1=BR11318-5R-63, V2=BR11337-5R-72, and V3=SVIN109 - exhibited a significantly extended growth duration, lasting 5 days longer compared to both reference check varieties. In contrast, V4=IR17A1723 had a growth duration that was one day shorter than the reference checks. Despite this, the yield of V4= IR17A1723 did not show a significant increase compared to the reference checks. The plant height, number of panicles per square meter, and filled grains per panicle were significantly affected by the various locations. Notably, Rangpur and Manikganj locations resulted in reduced plant height and panicle count for all lines. Among the evaluated lines, V1 exhibited the greatest height (110 cm), trailed by V3 (105 cm) and V2= BR11337-5R-72 (103 cm), respectively. Conversely, V4= IR17A1723 displayed the shortest stature among the advanced lines (97 cm). The thousand-grain weight (TGW) was notably influenced by the specific locations. V6 demonstrated the lowest TGW (20.29 g) among the six lines, followed by V2=BR11337-5R-72 (21.38 g). The highest panicles per square meter (ppm) were recorded in V2= BR11337-5R-72 (304), with a clear environmental influence spanning from 260 to 424 ppm, a pattern observed across all lines.

Furthermore, Sirajganj, Faridpur, and Habiganj stood out as locations favoring increased tiller production across all lines. Among the genotypes, V5 produced the lowest number of tillers, closely followed by V3= SVIN109. However, V2= BR11337-5R-72 displayed the highest count of filled grains per panicle (145), with V1= BR11318-5R-63 (135) as the subsequent top performer, followed by V6. On the other hand, V4 exhibited the lowest grain count per panicle, with V5 following suit.

In essence, the various locations exerted significant influence on plant height, panicle count, and filled grain yield. While specific genotypes responded differently to these conditions, a consistent pattern of environmental impact was evident, particularly in terms of panicle production and grain characteristics. Spikelet sterility percentage of V1= BR11318-5R-63 was similar to check variety BRRI dhan96 and V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109, V4= IR17A1723 was similar to other check variety BRRI dhan81. The Phenotypes of advanced lines were well accepted by the farmers and scientists compare to the check variety BRRI dhan81 and 96 (Table 53). Moreover, all the tested lines was disease and insect free in all locations. Though some rat damage was noticed in V4= IR17A1723 in Cumilla and V6 in Manikganj. From the results, we can conclude that both of the tested entries V1= BR11318-5R-63, V2= BR11337-5R-72, V3= SVIN109 could yield significantly higher than the check varieties, and the phenotypes of the lines were well accepted due to their plant type. They all were disease free which was the purpose of validation. However, all of these three lines has longer growth duration which was the most important criteria for this trial.

Lodging tendency and other characters: Lodging was not found in any locations which is a good sign. Plant growth, flowering and maturity were uniform for all the entries (Table 3) though some mixture was observed in V3=SVIN109 and V4=IR17A1723. Panicle exorsion problem was observed in V1 which later recovered. Flag leaf was erect for all the entries. Phenotypic appearance was good for all the tested lines both in vegetative and reproductive stage.

Insect attacked: 1-2% Stem borer, rice bug infestation was reported in all location but was not a major concern as insecticide was applied properly.

Disease incidence: Minor Disease and insect infestation was observed as proper management practices were followed in all locations.

Rat damage: Rate damaged found in Cumilla, Sonagazi in entry four, V4=IR17A1723.

Farmer's opinions: In most of the cases, scientist, extension personnel and farmer choose the V2=BR11337-5R-72 for its nice phenotype and higher yield more tillering ability. Some also preferred the tested line V1=BR11318-5R-63 and V3=SVIN109. However, the grain V3=SVIN109 was little bold and they produced similar phenotypic stature.

Recommendation: Considering all the above characteristics, the tested line V1=BR11318-5R-63 and V2=BR11337-5R-72 were recommended for PVT.

Rationale of recommendation:

1. Both the recommended advanced lines gave significantly higher yield than the both check varieties BRR1 dhan81 and BRR1 dhan96 but the duration of the lines was 4-5 days higher than the check.
2. Less disease and insect infestation.
3. No lodging record.
4. Farmers preferred these lines compared to check variety BRR1 dhan81 and BRR1 dhan96.

Table 51. Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of the rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-SD) during Boro 2023.

Genotype	Rangpur	Gopalganj	Faridpur	Barishal	Natore	Sirajganj	Sonagazi	Kushia	Habiganj	Manikganj	Gazipur	Mean
Grain Yield (ton/ha)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	6.59	8.17	8.52	6.09	9.31	8.35	6.09	6.32	6.13	7.25	8.33	7.30
V2=BR11337-5R-72	5.87	7.81	8.75	6.42	9.49	8.39	6.42	6.28	7.31	6.36	7.05	7.21
V3=SVIN109	6.01	7.75	8.22	6.54	8.50	8.64	6.54	6.36	6.48	7.58	8.61	7.25
V4=IR17A1723	5.35	6.92	6.21	6.62	7.43	7.61	6.62	5.57	6.00	4.62	8.40	6.21
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	5.83	7.14	7.79	6.43	7.23	7.42	6.43	4.46	3.77	5.28	7.60	5.98
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	5.08	7.20	7.83	6.48	7.79	9.04	6.48	6.49	6.87	5.81	7.08	6.79
LSD_{0.05}	0.92											0.27
Growth duration (days)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	149	135	148	140	152	146	140	142	146	140	138	144
V2=BR11337-5R-72	153	139	147	141	151	147	141	142	150	142	140	145
V3=SVIN109	151	140	145	143	149	146	143	142	148	141	140	144
V4=IR17A1723	144	133	144	142	144	139	142	136	141	131	130	139
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	146	134	145	144	143	140	144	138	141	130	133	140
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	148	134	147	142	144	145	142	139	142	132	130	140
LSD_{0.05}	0.91											0.27
Plant height (cm)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	100	117	107	116	123	117	116	113	107	95	105	110
V2=BR11337-5R-72	88	106	89	115	112	110	115	103	104	94	100	103

V3=SVIN109	93	109	101	114	113	105	114	109	108	96	102	105
V4=IR17A1723	80	94	82	126	101	122	126	97	86	81	88	97
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	85	99	88	102	105	112	102	106	86	89	94	96
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	80	95	91	89	99	118	89	98	93	91	90	93
LSD_{0.05}	4.38											1.32

Table 52. Yield components of the tested the rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-SD) during Boro 2023.

Genotype	Rangpur	Gopalganj	Faridpur	Barishal	Natore	Sirajganj	Sonagazi	Kushtia	Habiganj	Manikganj	Gazipur	Mean
	1000-grain weight (g)											
V1=BR11318-5R-63	23.0 0	24.2 1	24.6 7	23.7 8	23.3 2	22.3 3	23.7 8	20.8 6	21.8 1	22.6 5	21.0 5	22.9 3
V2=BR11337-5R-72	21.3 3	22.4 8	23.0 0	21.4 8	21.2 6	21.6 7	21.4 8	18.8 0	20.6 3	22.6 1	20.2 8	21.3 8
V3=SVIN109	22.9 3	25.1 0	24.6 7	23.3 6	22.7 3	22.6 7	23.3 6	25.6 2	22.7 4	22.7 0	21.6 9	23.4 8
V4=IR17A1723	23.8 3	25.9 5	24.3 3	22.3 6	22.1 5	21.3 3	22.3 6	22.0 6	20.6 1	22.6 9	23.0 8	22.8 9
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	22.7 3	25.5 3	20.6 7	22.8 3	22.0 7	21.6 7	22.8 3	22.0 6	18.6 0	21.9 4	20.9 0	22.1 0
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	21.8 3	22.6 0	18.6 7	20.4 9	18.9 2	19.6 7	20.4 9	17.9 9	19.0 0	21.8 8	21.4 8	20.2 9
LSD_{0.05}	1.19											0.36
Panicles m⁻² (no.)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	230	284	337	264	296	392	264	252	330	309	323	294
V2=BR11337-5R-72	260	290	358	327	289	424	327	228	331	278	310	304
V3=SVIN109	192	285	307	308	263	373	308	190	350	308	297	284
V4=IR17A1723	283	249	327	342	258	336	342	226	331	251	297	288
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	183	268	302	287	266	339	287	215	315	269	290	268
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	258	272	328	302	298	375	302	252	321	251	284	290
LSD_{0.05}	30											9
Grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	161	171	164	117	139	119	117	128	110	118	147	135
V2=BR11337-5R-72	157	180	211	109	183	162	109	134	142	107	121	145
V3=SVIN109	139	159	159	113	128	148	113	135	101	133	119	131
V4=IR17A1723	141	137	123	105	122	111	105	95	131	121	99	118
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	164	137	143	118	142	112	118	112	58	112	104	120
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	164	160	168	130	152	133	130	126	110	112	125	135
LSD_{0.05}	32											10
Sterility (%)												
V1=BR11318-5R-63	24	10	9	16	10	18	16	15	19	20	22	16
V2=BR11337-5R-72	25	23	18	17	10	20	17	31	14	27	30	21
V3=SVIN109	24	19	15	17	10	20	17	31	14	27	30	20
V4=IR17A1723	31	18	22	18	14	12	18	19	26	18	31	20
V5=BRR1 dhan81 (CK)	12	11	20	18	13	28	18	32	59	21	29	23
V6=BRR1 dhan96 (CK)	13	9	10	16	15	4	16	22	20	19	23	15
LSD_{0.05}	6											2

Table 53. Phenotypic Acceptance of the rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-SD) during Boro 2023.

Genotype	Characteristics						PAcp Sc	
	Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality with culm	Grain type	Flag leaf	Veg.	Mat.
V1=BR11318-5R-63	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	3	3
V2=BR11337-5R-72	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	3	3
V3=SVIN109	Good	Uniform	mixure	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	5	5
V4=IR17A1723	Good	Uniform	mixure	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	5	7
V5=BRRI dhan81 (CK)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3
V6=BRRI dhan96 (CK)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium bold	Erect	5	5

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.12 Re-ALART, Blast Resistance Rice (BRR) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: Blast resistance Rice (BRR) means its resistance against blast disease having good grain yield and lower growth duration. The development of new elite rice varieties with high yield and superior quality is challenging for traditional breeding approaches, and new strategies need to be developed. Here, we evaluated four advanced lines along with standard checks BRRI dhan28 and BRRI dhan88. The new genotypes exhibit higher yield potential and minimum growth duration. With this view, we evaluated these blast resistance high yielding breeding lines under integrated improved management practices in different agro-climatic conditions of Bangladesh.

Hypothesis: There is possibility to identify and select suitable blast resistance high yielding rice genotypes for favorable environment in Boro season.

Materials and Methods: Three blast resistance high yielding rice (BRR, ReALART) advanced lines i.e., BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11, BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 and BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 developed by Plant Breeding Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRI dhan28 and BRRI dhan88 during Boro 2023. The entries were evaluated in ten different locations of the country such as Sadar (Bogura), Debiddar, (Cumilla) Kesobpur (Jessore), Nagarkanda (Faridpur), Paba (Rajshahi), Baniachang (Habiganj), Mithapukur (Rangpur), Mithamoin (Kishoreganj), Sadar (Barisal) and BRRI HQ Gazipur. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size for each entry was 20 m² (5m x 4m). Seeding was done around at the date of 4th week of November 2022 for all the locations. Seedling ages for different locations were varied from 30-35 days due to some unavoidable situations during transplanting time at respective location. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers Urea, TSP, MoP, Gypsum and Zinc Sulfate were applied @ 40-17-20-15-1.5 kg Bigha⁻¹. All fertilizers were applied as basal and in addition urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 DAT. Standard and uniform management practices were followed as and when necessary for all the locations. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, plant height, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and DAE personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yields were adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Interaction of genotypes and environments had significant effect on grain yield, growth duration, plant height and yield components (Table 54 and 55). Among the genotypes highest mean grain yield (7.0 t/ha^{-1}) was obtained in BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 and BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 followed by BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 (6.8 t/ha) and BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 (6.5 t/ha). Two standard check BRRi dhan28 and BRRi dhan88 gave 5.4 t/ha , 6.9 t/ha respectively.

Compared to standard check BRRi dhan28 (Ck) the mean growth duration of lines BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 were 1 days longer and BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 was 3 days longer. Compared to standard check BRRi dhan88 (Ck) the mean growth duration of lines BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 was 3 days longer and BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6, BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 1 day shorter (Table 54).

Highest growth duration was observed in V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 (143 days) line and lowest was observed in standard check BRRi dhan28 (140 days).

The highest plant height was 111 cm found in the V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 followed by V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, it was 109 cm followed by V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck) (104 cm) followed by the advanced line V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 (99 cm); V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 (96 cm) and the lowest plant height was 90 cm found in the V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck). However, the mean shortest plant height was found in the standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck) (90 cm) (Table 55).

The lowest 1000-grain weight (TGW) of tested lines was found in standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck), it was 21.9 gm followed by V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 (22.4 gm) followed by V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 (22.7 gm) followed by V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck) (22.8 gm) followed by V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 (22.9 gm) and the highest TGW was found in breeding line V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 (24.5 gm) (Table 55).

The average panicle m^{-2} range varied from 272 to 289 and the highest mean panicle m^{-2} was found in V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 (290) followed by V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 (289) followed by V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 (288) followed by V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3 and standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck), it was 287 whereas the lowest panicle m^{-2} was found in standard check V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck), it was 272 (Table 2). On an average, the highest filled grains panicle $^{-1}$ (125) was found in V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 followed by standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck), it was 124 followed by V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 (123) followed by V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 (121) (Table 2) and the lowest filled grains panicle $^{-1}$ (125) was found in standard check V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck), it was 105 followed by breeding line V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, it was 109 (Table 2). On the contrary, on an average, the highest unfilled grains panicle $^{-1}$ (31) was found in standard check V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck) followed by V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 and followed by standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck), it was 30 and the lowest unfilled grains panicle $^{-1}$ (28) was found in V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 followed by breeding line V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, it was 29.

The highest sterility % was found in standard check V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck) (24%) followed by advanced breeding line V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, it was 23 and lowest sterility % was observed in standard check V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck) (20%) followed by V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 and V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6, it was 21. Phenotypic acceptance score of V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11, V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3, V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 and V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck) were good in respect of growth, uniformity and grain size (Table 58). Uniform flowering and maturity, well wrapped culm, medium slender grain, erect type flag leaf was found in all entries.

Disease infestation: Disease infections were found in all entries including checks in some locations. Neck blast (1-70% in 3 loc.), Leaf Blast 5-20% in 2 loc.), Brown spot (5-35% in 3 loc.), and BLB (10-70% in 4 loc.) were reported in some entries at several locations are given in Table 21.

Insect attacked: Insect infestation was low in most of the locations. But, in some locations Stem borer (01-10%), Rice bug (01-10%) were reported with no mentionable difference among the entries. Proper control measures were taken for insect control as and when necessary. The insect infestations were similar in all the entries.

Preference of Farmer and DAE personnel: Farmers as well as DAE personnel preferred V1= BR (Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 & V2= BR (Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 entries compared to BRR1 dhan28 (ck).

Recommendation: Considering blast disease resistance, yield, growth duration, plant type, grain size and type, disease reactions and phenotypic acceptance, V1= BR (Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 & V2= BR (Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 may be recommended for PVT.

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Grain yield of tested lines V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4, V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 & V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6 were higher than standard check BRR1 dhan28
2. Grain type is medium slender in both V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 & V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 almost similar like BRR1 dhan28.
3. Average growth duration of tested lines were similar with standard check BRR1 dhan88.
4. Blast resistant Pi9 gene is present both the V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 & V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11 lines.
5. Plant type is almost similar like BRR1 dhan28 in both V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4 & V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11
6. Lodging incidence was found in one location
7. Uniform flowering.

Table 54. Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of the tested rice genotypes under Re-ALART (BRR) during Boro 2023.

Genotypes	Locations										
	BRR1, H/Q	Debidar, Cumilla	Bogura, Sadar	Kesobpur, Jalesore	Nagarkanda, Faridpur	Paba, Rajshahi	Baniachang, Habizani	Mithapukur, Ranamur	Mithamoin, Kicharazani	Sadar, Barisal	Mean
	Grain yield (t ha ⁻¹)										
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	7.2	6.3	5.7	7.2	8.0	6.7	7.5	6.0	4.7	8.4	6.8
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	7.7	7.4	6.9	7.5	7.4	6.7	8.0	5.9	5.0	7.8	7.0
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	7.6	5.8	6.9	6.2	7.5	6.9	4.7	6.0	5.9	6.9	6.5
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	7.5	7.1	7.1	7.3	5.6	6.5	7.7	7.5	5.9	8.0	7.0
V5= BRR1 dhan28 (ck)	6.3	5.8	6.0	5.0	6.4	6.7	3.3	5.7	3.3	5.3	5.4
V6= BRR1 dhan88 (ck)	6.9	6.7	6.5	7.0	7.5	6.5	8.0	6.0	6.8	7.2	6.9
LSD (0.05)	0.90										
CV	8.1										
Growth duration (days)											
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	145	140	147	132	139	146	142	148	149	126	141
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	152	142	145	133	136	146	142	154	148	132	143
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	147	137	147	130	138	145	140	149	147	129	141

V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	146	136	145	129	138	146	144	147	148	135	141
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	144	136	144	130	136	145	140	148	141	134	140
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	146	142	144	132	139	149	142	149	144	135	142
LSD (0.05)	0.62										0.20
CV	0.27										
Plant height (cm)											
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	109	100	118	111	95	108	115	104	122	104.6	109
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	110	108	109	114	97	110	117	109	120	112.3	111
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	95	94	103	102	95	102	105	93	98	104.1	99
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	85	99	104	99	94	99	101	85	104	98.8	96
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	98	104	108	109	98	102	115	99	94	108.1	104
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	83	85	93	91	91	93	95	80	97	91.6	90
LSD (0.05)	5.04										1.59
CV	3.08										

Table 55. Yield components of the rice genotypes under Re-ALART (BRR) during Boro 2023

Genotypes	Locations											Mean
	BRRI, H/Q	Debidar, Cumilla	Bogura, Sadar	Kesobpur, Jessore	Nagarkanda, Faridpur	Paba, Rajshahi	Baniachang, Habiganj	Mithapukur, Rangpur	Mithamoin, Kishoreganj	Sadar, Barisal		
1000 grain weight (g)												
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	22.7	22.6	23.7	22.3	21.4	22.82	22.8	22.5	23.69	24	22.9	
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	22.7	22.5	24	21.6	25.6	21.08	23.3	21.9	23.74	21	22.7	
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	19.4	21.2	23.3	23.01	22.3	22.04	23.7	21.5	23.75	24	22.4	
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	25.5	24.4	24.3	25.67	23.7	19.37	25.1	25.8	24.27	27	24.5	
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	22.3	22.6	22	22.4	23.9	21.96	23.9	22.3	22.17	24	22.8	
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	22.5	20.6	23.7	23.44	21.2	20.47	21.1	22.1	22.46	21	21.9	
LSD (0.05)	1.87										0.59	
CV	5.02											
Panicles m⁻² (no.)												
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	303	289	285	360	310	268	267	260	272	270	288	
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	281	295	305	335	332	243	330	270	273	227	289	
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	274	299	301	295	322	255	287	279	287	274	287	
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	264	301	259	277	304	242	352	304	322	270	290	
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	280	295	263	308	280	256	246	255	281	252	272	
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	287	275	314	265	327	242	298	258	309	299	287	
LSD (0.05)	37.35										11.81	
CV	8.17											
Filled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)												
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	100	130	121	146	140	98	113	111	107	144	121	
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	111	119	117	155	149	100	114	133	112	140	125	
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	85	118	133	76	133	118	70	126	101	131	109	
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	101	116	137	115	133	117	105	157	92	162	123	
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	104	127	107	105	115	104	57	115	78	140	105	
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	118	127	125	117	159	105	107	117	113	149	124	
LSD (0.05)	19.51										6.17	
CV	10.24											
Unfilled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)												
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	34	29	22	37	25	24	33	47	37	16	30	

V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	50	30	29	37	22	26	19	32	42	12	30
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	40	29	16	34	19	19	56	24	39	12	29
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	43	28	34	25	15	32	34	18	31	21	28
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	28	28	25	19	18	22	88	26	46	10	31
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	31	26	22	19	19	46	47	22	54	15	30
LSD (0.05)	3.67										3.67
CV	24.40										
Sterility (%)											
V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	35	18	15	20	15	20	22	43	25	10	22
V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	45	20	20	19	13	21	14	24	28	8	21
V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	47	20	11	31	12	15	44	19	27	9	23
V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	45	20	20	17	10	21	24	12	25	11	21
V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	27	18	20	14	14	15	61	22	37	7	24
V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	27	17	15	14	11	24	30	19	33	9	20
LSD (0.05)	11.62										2.68
CV	23.18										

Table 56. Disease incidence (%) of the rice genotypes under Re- ALART (BRR) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence Score				
		Neck Blast	Leaf Blast	Brown spot	BLB	ShB
1	V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	Rangpur Sadar (1%), Cumilla (1%)	Rangpur Sadar (5%),	Rangpur Sadar (20%) Bogura Sadar (5%)	Cumilla (10%), Rangpur (15%)	Rangpur-3 Bogura-3 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3
2	V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	Rangpur Sadar (1%), Cumilla (1%)	-	Bogura Sadar (5%) Rangpur Sadar (15%)	Cumilla (10%), Rangpur (15%)	Rangpur-3 Bogura-5 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3
3	V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	Rangpur Sadar 1% Cumilla (70%)	-	Rangpur Sadar (35%), Rangpur Sadar (20%) Bogura Sadar (5%)	Rangpur (20%), Gazipur (5%)	Rangpur-3 Bogura-3 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3
4	V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	Habiganj 10%	Mithamoin 50%	Rangpur Sadar (20%), Bogura Sadar (25%)	Satkhira (10%), Rangpur (10%), Gazipur (5%)	Rangpur-5 Bogura-3 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3
5	V5= BRRI dhan28 (ck)	Rangpur Sadar (3%) Cumilla (70%)	Cumilla (20%) Rangpur Sadar (5%),	Bogura Sadar (15%)	Rangpur (70%)	Rangpur-3 Bogura-3 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3
6	V6= BRRI dhan88 (ck)	Rangpur Sadar (1%), Cumilla (40%)	Cumilla (15%)	Bogura Sadar (25%)	Rangpur (60%)	Rangpur-3 Bogura-3 H/Q-3 Rajshahi-3

*Eye estimation of the number of hills showing the sign and symptom of disease infection. The percentage indicates the variations in disease incidence level of the tested genotypes.

Table 57. Insect infestation score of the rice genotypes under ALART (BRR, Re-ALART) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Stem borer	Rice bug	Rat Damage
1	V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	1-5% in all locations	1-5% in all location	-
2	V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	1-7% in all locations	1-5% in all location	-
3	V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	1-5% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	-
4	V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	1-5% in all locations	1-5 % in all location	-
5	V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck)	1-10% in all locations	1-10 % in all location	-
6	V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck)	1-8% in all locations	1-9 % in all location	-

Table 58. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under Re-ALART(BRR) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Characteristics							
		Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
								Veg	Mat.
1	V1= BR(Path)12452-BC3-42-22-11-4	Good	Regular	Regular	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Dro py	7	5
2	V2= BR(Path)12452-BC6-53-21-11	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Dro py	5	3
3	V3= BR(Path)13784-BC3-61--1-6-HR3	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Semi Dro py	5	3
4	V4= BR(Path)13784-BC3-63-6-4-HR6	Excellent	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Dro py	7	3
5	V5= BRRi dhan28 (ck)	Poor	Uniform	Uniform	Semi wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	5	3
6	V6= BRRi dhan88 (ck)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender		5	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

1.13 ALART, Blast Resistant Rice (BRR) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: Rice blast disease caused by the fungus *Magnaporthe oryzae*, is considered the most widespread and damaging diseases of rice in upland and rainfed areas causing more than 50% losses in yield. This disease can affect most of the rice plant with the exception of the roots. The fungus can infect plants at any growth stage. The pathogen infects the rice plant and produces lesions on the leaf (leaf blast), leaf collar (collar blast), panicle neck node (neck blast) and panicle (panicle blast). Under favorable conditions, the disease can result in total crop failure. Considering the importance, we need rice variety which can tolerate blast disease for sustainable food security.

Hypothesis: Blast resistant suitable rice genotype may be identified for Boro season.

Materials and method: Four Blast Resistant Rice (BRR) advanced lines i.e., BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30, BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44, BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26, BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7, developed by Plant Pathology Division were evaluated against the check varieties BRRIdhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck) and BRRIdhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck) in 10 different locations of the country i.e., Gazipur (West Byde), Habiganj (Baniachong), Lalmonirhat (Sadar), Rangpur (Sadar), Jashore (Keshobpur), Barishal (Sadar), Bogura (Sadar), Faridpur (Nagarkanda), Rajshahi (Paba) and Cumilla (Devider) in Boro 2022-23. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size was 20 m² (4.0m x 5.0m). Seeding time for ten locations varied from last week of November to 2nd week of December 2022. Seedling age varied from 35-45 days among the locations. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers were applied at 260: 100: 120: 110: 10 kg of Urea: DAP: MoP: Gypsum: ZnSO₄ per hectare respectively. All amounts of DAP, 2/3rd MoP, Gypsum and Zinc sulfate will be applied at the time of final land preparation. Urea will be applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 days after transplanting (DAT) and 5 days before PI stage. Rest 1/3rd MoP will be given with 3rd top dressing of urea. BRRIdhan recommended management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and extension personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yield was adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: The trial site of Cumilla (Devider) was severely damaged by Brown plant Hopper and results of Cumilla (Devider) was not included here. Average grain yield of the four BRR advanced lines BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30, BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44, BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26 and BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 was 7.25, 7.38, 7.52 and 7.48 t/ha respectively which was identical to each other. These four advanced lines produced higher grain yield than the two check varieties BRRIdhan29 and BRRIdhan89 But, these four advanced lines didn't produced significantly higher grain than both the check varieties (Table 59). Growth duration of entry no.1, 2, 3 and the check variety BRRIdhan29 was same which was 157 days, on the other hand growth duration of entry no.4 and the check variety was 156 days (Table 59). Plant height was highest in the entry no.4. which was 110 cm followed by entry no.1 (108 cm) entry no. 3 (106 cm) and entry no. 6 (103 cm). The lowest plant height was 99 cm which was found in the check variety BRRIdhan89. The second lowest plant height observed in entry no.2 which was 101 cm. 1000 grain weight differs significantly among the tested entries. The lowest 1000-grain weight (TGW) was observed in the entry no.2 (20.13 g) followed by the check variety BRRIdhan29 (21.54 g), entry no 3 (21.98 g), entry no. 4 (22.29 g) (Table 60). And the highest 1000-grain weight was found in the check variety BRRIdhan89 (23.45 g) followed by entry no. 1(22.43 g). Panicles produced by the genotypes varied significantly across the locations (Table 2). Among the genotypes, BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 (entry no. 2) produced the mean highest panicles per unit area (296/m²) and the lowest number of panicles (254/m²) were produced by the check variety BRRIdhan89. On the other hand, the mean highest number of grains/panicle (147) was produced by V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 and the lowest (128) was in V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. Both the genotypes and environments had significant effect on sterility (%) (Table 2). The highest mean sterility was found in V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26 (25%) and the lowest was in BRRIdhan89 (Ck) (19%). The sterility percentage of all the entries including check varieties ranged from 12% to 29% across the locations.

Insect attacked: Proper control measures for insects control were taken as and when necessary. Yellow stem borer infestation was found in 3 locations i.e, Bogura (1%), Faridpur (5%), and Cumilla (3%). Severe Brown plant hopper (BPH) infestation was found in one location in all the tested entries at Devider, Cumilla. Hopper Burn was found 30%, 50-60%, 50-60%, 90%, 30%, and 30% in the advanced line of V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30, V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44, V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26, V4=BR12454-BC2-

75-32-31-39-7, V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck) and V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck) respectively.

Disease infections: Bacterial leaf blight (BLB), Leaf blast, Neck blast, sheath blight and Brown spot diseases were found in the different trial sites. As a BRR all the advanced lines had lower Leaf blast (3-10%) infections than both the check varieties (Table 61). Neck blast infection was also lower in all the advanced lines than both the check varieties. In addition to Blast resistant Pi9 gene both the entry no. 2 and entry no.4 have Tungru virus resistant gene.

Lodging records: Among the advanced lines, V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30 and V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26, were found to be more lodging prone in three locations of Faridpur, Barshal and Habiganj and lodging incidence was observed almost 20% to 80%.

Phenotypic acceptance: Plant growth was good for all the tested entries. However, the best phenotypic acceptance was found in V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 and V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. Attractive plant growth, uniform flowering and maturity, well wrapped with culm, erect flag leaf and medium slender grain was found in V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 and V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. Phenotypic acceptance of all the tested genotypes ranged from 1-3 in vegetative and 1-3 at reproductive stage (Table 62).

Farmers' opinions: Farmers showed their interest on the advanced line, V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 and V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 because of resistant to blast disease, more lodging tolerant, uniform flowering and maturity and excellent plant growth and a bit higher yield than both the check varieties.

Recommendation: Considering yield performance, disease reactions, phenotypic acceptance, lodging tolerance, uniformity at flowering and maturity; V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 were recommended for Proposed Variety Trial (PVT).

Rationale of Recommendation:

1. Grain yield of tested lines V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 were higher than standard check and susceptible check BRRRI dhan29 BRRRI dhan89.
2. More lodging tolerance was observed in V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 than the other entries.
3. Uniformity of flowering and maturity were observed in the entries of V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7.
4. Blast resistant Pi9 gene is present both the V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44 & V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7. In addition Blast resistant Pb1 gene is present in V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7 entry. Beside, both the entries have Tungru virus resistant gene.

Table 59. Grain yield, Growth duration and Plant height of the rice genotypes under ALART Blast Resistant Rice (BRR) during Boro 2023

Genotypes	Locations									
	WB, Gazipur	Baniachong, Habiganj	Sadar, Lalmonirhat	Sadar, Rangpur	Keshobpur, Jashore	Sadar, Barishal	Sadar, Bogura	Nagarkanda, Faridpur	Paba, Rajshahi	Mean
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	6.69	6.10	8.51	7.35	8.33	6.32	6.43	6.30	9.22	7.25
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	6.67	6.58	7.56	8.05	8.09	8.48	6.01	6.32	8.70	7.38
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	6.23	6.68	8.11	8.05	8.08	7.46	6.98	6.50	9.55	7.52
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	6.85	6.98	7.36	7.39	8.04	7.69	6.25	7.81	8.98	7.48

V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	6.78	6.88	6.66	7.73	7.20	7.81	6.86	7.55	7.81	7.25
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	6.66	7.23	6.80	6.75	6.77	7.92	6.63	6.31	8.10	7.02
LSD_{0.05}	0.3									0.89
CV%	7.52									
Growth duration (day)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	159	157	157	159	154	148	160	148	167	157
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	160	156	160	160	154	146	162	151	165	157
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	161	159	156	158	154	144	164	150	165	157
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	158	159	156	158	153	143	162	152	165	156
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	160	156	158	159	155	147	160	154	167	157
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	156	155	156	161	154	143	162	150	164	156
LSD_{0.05}	0.22									0.65
CV%	0.26									
Plant height (cm)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	103	106	102	102	125	109	112	104	112	108
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	102	98	98	98	108	97	100	102	102	101
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	101	104	104	102	118	106	107	105	108	106
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	105	112	106	104	123	111	116	99	112	110
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	96	98	94	98	104	97	103	98	100	99
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	102	108	97	98	109	105	105	100	107	103
LSD_{0.05}	1.42									4.25
CV%	2.51									

Table 60. Yield components of the rice genotypes under ALART Blast Resistant Rice (BRR) during Boro 2023.

Genotypes	Locations									Mean
	WB, Gazipur	Baniachong, Habiganj	Sadar, Lalmonirhat	Sadar, Rangpur	Keshobpur, Jashore	Sadar, Barishal	Sadar, Bogura	Nagarkanda, Faridpur	Paba, Rajshahi	
Thousands Grain Weight (g)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	20.63	23.85	22.53	23.17	22.60	23.63	22.67	21.33	21.47	22.43
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	17.56	22.50	18.51	20.33	19.08	19.26	20.67	20.87	22.38	20.13
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	20.63	24.43	23.19	21.67	22.69	22.45	21.33	20.43	21.03	21.98
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	21.10	26.21	23.23	22.83	22.65	23.09	22.33	17.57	21.64	22.29
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	20.41	21.70	22.23	22.97	22.30	20.32	22.33	19.33	22.28	21.54
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	22.83	25.34	24.01	23.90	22.54	23.29	23.67	22.07	23.37	23.45
LSD_{0.05}	0.41									1.24
CV%	3.49									
Panicles m⁻² (no.)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	306	334	311	239	275	247	317	282	285	288
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	315	290	302	279	321	234	306	334	279	296
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	329	290	284	211	271	266	308	266	273	278
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	281	324	293	191	312	248	296	328	260	281

V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	296	331	249	279	244	322	303	287	272	287
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	246	269	249	214	227	243	319	260	259	254
LSD_{0.05}	11.78									35.35
CV%	7.78									
Filled grains panicle⁻¹ (no.)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	124	114	145	145	133	149	96	148	129	131
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	128	142	150	137	132	169	107	141	106	135
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	110	111	141	161	131	124	101	128	147	128
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	122	127	214	160	113	166	114	160	151	147
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	127	132	143	132	132	162	94	138	121	131
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	115	124	163	115	130	151	127	142	137	134
LSD_{0.05}	8.11									24.34
CV%	11.18									
Sterility (%)										
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	23	23	16	18	21	19	26	20	26	21
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	23	18	12	26	25	14	22	23	29	21
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	29	23	23	24	19	23	29	29	24	25
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	25	18	15	16	19	14	23	24	23	20
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	24	17	19	21	16	14	26	26	21	20
V6=BRRRI dhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	25	17	14	26	17	14	20	20	19	19
LSD_{0.05}	2.1									6.29
CV%	18.33									

Table 61. Disease infestation of some genotypes under ALART (BRR) during Boro 2023.

Genotypes	Diseases sore/ incidence				
	BLB	Leaf Blast	Neck Blast	Sheath Blight	Brown Spot
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	Bogura (1%), Rangpur (30-40%), Lalmonirhat (30-45%)	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (3), Faridpur (4%) Barishal (10%)	Barishal (5%), Rangpur (1), Lalmonirhat (1)	Cumilla (20%, 3)	Jashore (5%, 1), Bogura (3%) Cumilla (15%, 5)
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	Bogura (1%), Rangpur (20-30%), Lalmonirhat (20-25%)	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (3), Barishal (5%)	Barishal (1%), Rangpur (1)	Cumilla (30%, 5)	Jashore (3%, 1), Bogura (3%), Cumilla (15%, 5)
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	Bogura (3%), Rangpur (20-30%), Lalmonirhat (30-45%)	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (3), Barishal (5%)	Barishal (1%), Rangpur (1), Lalmonirhat (1)	Cumilla (10%, 3)	Bogura (3%) Cumilla (15%, 5)
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	Bogura (3%), Rangpur (20-30%),	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (3), Barishal (5%)	Barishal (5%), Rangpur (1)	Cumilla (20%, 5)	Jashore (4%, 1), Bogura (3%), Cumilla (15%, 5)
V5=BRRRI dhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	Bogura (3%), Rangpur (40-45%), Lalmonirhat (30-40%)	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (1), Faridpur (15%) Barishal (10%), Cumilla (30%, 3)	Barishal (5%) Cumilla (15%, 5), Habiganj (5%), Rangpur (1), Lalmonirhat (1)	Cumilla (20%, 5)	Bogura (3%), Cumilla (15%, 5)

V6=BRRIdhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	Bogura (3%), Rangpur (40-45%), Lalmonirhat (30%)	Rangpur (3), Lalmonirhat (3), Faridpur (20%) Jessore (35%, 5) Barishal (10%), Cumilla (30%, 3)	Barishal (5%) Cumilla (10%, 3), Habiganj (15%), Rangpur (5), Lalmonirhat (3),	Cumilla (10%, 5)	Bogura (3%), Cumilla (15%, 5)
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Table 62. Phenotypic Acceptance of all genotypes under ALART (BRR) in Boro 2022-23

Genotypes	Characteristics						Phenotypic Acceptance Score	
	Plant growth	Uniformity		Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	Veg.	Mat
		Flowering	Maturity					
V1=BR12454-BC2-56-81-27-3-30	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Slender	Erect	3	3
V2=BR12454-BC2-69-97-39-5-44	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium Slender	Erect	1-3	1-3
V3=BR12454-BC2-71-91-6-23-26	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium Slender	Erect	3	3
V4=BR12454-BC2-75-32-31-39-7	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium Slender	Erect	3	3
V5=BRRIdhan29 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium Slender	Erect	3	3
V6=BRRIdhan89 (Std. & Sus. Ck)	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium Slender	Erect	3	3

1.14 ALART, Favorable Boro Rice (FBR- MD) during Boro 2023.

Rationale: BRRRI has developed a large number of high yielding rice varieties suitable for Boro season in irrigated condition under both favorable and stressprone eco-system. Population of Bangladesh is increasing day by day. For sustainable food security, we have to put more emphasis on rice production in favorable condition during Boro season. Rice varieties having medium growth duration are very much important for Boro – Fellow - T. Aman cropping pattern which covers major areas of the country. Favorable Boro Rice with medium growth duration can play an important role in increasing cropping intensity, total productivity and soil fertility. Natural hazards such as flash flood can also be escaped through developing such type of rice variety. Aiming these objectives, two advanced lines IR12A173 and IR17A1694 were tested in twelve different locations of the country along with check varieties, BRRRI dhan58 and BRRRI dhan96.

Hypothesis: Rice genotype suitable for favorable Boro rice having medium growth duration may come out from evaluation at farmers' field.

Materials and Methods: Two advanced breeding lines IR12A173 and IR17A1694 which were suitable for favorable Boro rice growing eco-system having medium growth duration along with BRRRI dhan58 and BRRRI dhan96 as checks were tested at farmers' field in twelve locations such as Burichang (Cumilla), Sadar (Kustia), Singra (Rajshahi), Tarash (Sirajgonj), Sadar (Rangpur), Sadar (Barishal), Baniachang (Habiganj), Sonagazi (Feni), Nagarkanda (Faridpur), Sadar (Gopalganj), Harirampur (Manikgonj) and BRRRI, Gazipur during Boro 2023. The trials were replicated thrice in each location. The unit plot size was 20 m² (4.0m x 5.0m). Seeding time for twelve locations varied from 28 November -22 December 2022. Seedling age varied from 40-45 days among the locations. Seedlings were transplanted at 25

cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers urea, triple super phosphate, muriate of potash, gypsum and zinc were applied @ 124, 22, 75, 20 & 4 kg NPKSZn/ha. All amounts of fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15, 30 and 45 date after transplanting (DAT). BRRRI recommended management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and extension personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 9 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yield was adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and discussion: Grain yield of tested entries and check varieties varied from location to location. The check variety BRRRI dhan58 produced the highest grain yield (8.98 t/ha) at Singra upazila of Rajshahi where as the tested entry IR12A173 produced 7.36 t/ha at that location. The numerical value of the grain yield (8.38 t/ha) of the tested entry IR12A173 was also higher than BRRRI dhan96 (7.69 t/ha) but not significantly higher at Faridpur. The tested entry IR12A173 did not produced significantly higher yield (8.38 t/ha) than BRRRI dhan96 (7.69 t/ha) nor BRRRI dhan58 (8.77 t/ha) at Faridpur where experimental plot was conducted at single Boro area. The mean grain yield of tested entry IR12A173 (6.72 t/ha) was not significantly higher than the check variety BRRRI dhan58 (6.73 t/ha) nor BRRRI dhan96 (6.73 t/ha). The mean grain yield of the tested entry IR17A1694 produced significantly lower yield (6.45 t/ha) than both of the check variety BRRRI dhan58 (6.73 t/ha) and BRRRI dhan96 (6.73 t/ha). BRRRI dhan96 was found 8 days earlier than the tested entry IR12A173 and 5 days earlier than the entry IR17A1694 at kustia. Growth durations (155 days) of both the tested entries were similar at Manikganj which were only two days earlier than the check variety BRRRI dhan58 (157 days) but 4 days longer than check variety BRRRI dhan96 (151 days). In Barishal, both of the tested entries showed significantly higher longer duration (139 days) than the check variety BRRRI dhan96 (134 days). Similar results were found at Cumilla, Rajshahi, Sirajganj, Rangpur, Habiganj, Feni and Gopalganj. Similar growth durations (142 days) were found between the tested entry IR12A173 and check variety BRRRI dhan96 at Faridpur and BRRRI Gazipur (Table 63). Among the locations mean growth duration, both of the tested entries showed significantly higher growth duration (147 days) than the check variety BRRRI dhan96 (143 days) where as only one day shorter than BRRRI dhan58.

Thousand grain weight of the entry IR12A173 was significantly higher than check variety BRRRI dhan96 in all locations except Faridpur. The mean thousand grain weight of both of the tested entries were significantly higher than check variety BRRRI dhan96 (Table 64).

Farmer Preference and feedback of DAE personnel: Farmers and DAE as did not prefer any of the tested entries either IR12A173 or IR17A1694 considering yield performance, growth duration, grain size and phenotypic acceptance.

Recommendation: None of the tested lines were found for Proposed Variety Trial (PVT).

Rationale:

1. The mean yield (6.45 t/ha) of tested entry IR17A1694 was significantly lower than both of the check varieties.
2. The check variety BRRRI dhan58 produced the highest yield (8.98 t/ha) among the all locations at Rajshahi which was significantly higher than the entry IR12A173.
3. Growth duration of the tested entries were 4-8 days longer than check varieties at most of the locations.
4. Thousand grain weight of the entries were also higher than checks.
5. Uneven flowering and maturity was observed in both of the entries.

Table 63. Grain yield, growth duration and plant height of some rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-MD) during Boro, 2023 at different agro-ecological zones of Bangladesh

Genotype	Location												Mean
	Kustia	Cumilla	Rajshahi	Sirajganj	Rangpur	Barishal	Habiganj	Feni	Faridpur	Gopalganj	Manikganj	BRRl, Gazipur	
Grain yield (t ha⁻¹)													
IR12A173	5.74	5.12	7.36	7.20	5.90	7.89	7.35	6.20	8.38	7.90	6.11	5.44	6.72
IR17A1694	5.40	5.38	8.07	6.66	5.20	6.35	6.82	6.43	7.69	6.87	5.83	6.56	6.45
BRRl dhan58 (ck.)	5.97	4.95	8.98	8.14	5.72	6.10	6.08	6.08	8.77	7.65	5.26	7.11	6.73
BRRl dhan96 (ck.)	6.08	4.89	8.03	7.93	5.99	8.85	6.93	6.14	7.69	6.89	5.60	5.69	6.73
LSD_{0.05}	0.82												0.23
CV (%)	7.62												
Growth duration (day)													
IR12A173	146	142	151	146	154	139	153	148	149	140	155	142	147
IR17A1694	143	144	149	146	154	137	146	144	151	140	155	149	147
BRRl dhan58 (ck.)	143	145	152	144	153	137	151	151	149	142	157	151	148
BRRl dhan96 (ck.)	138	136	147	144	148	134	146	142	149	134	151	142	143
LSD_{0.05}	1.18												0.34
CV (%)	0.50												
Plant height (cm)													
IR12A173	105	98	111	116	93	100	104	101	105	106	88	101	102
IR17A1694	101	93	106	104	90	94	95	96	94	98	84	96	96
BRRl dhan58 (ck.)	106	93	106	110	89	97	98	98	94	103	84	97	98
BRRl dhan96 (ck.)	96	85	101	105	77	90	89	86	90	95	87	87	91
LSD_{0.05}	4.52												2.26
CV (%)	2.89												

Table 64. Yield components of some rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-MD) during Boro, 2023 at different agro-ecological zones of Bangladesh

Genotype	Location												Mean
	Kustia	Cumilla	Rajshahi	Sirajganj	Rangpur	Barishal	Habiganj	Feni	Faridpur	Gopalganj	Manikganj	BRRJ, Gazipur	
1000-grain weight (g)													
IR12A173	23.02	25.07	23.78	22.67	24.67	24.62	27.04	24.28	18.67	26.58	24.40	26.28	24.26
IR17A1694	23.82	25.48	26.26	25.33	26.33	28.42	23.74	24.79	18.67	28.63	23.51	25.30	25.02
BRRJ dhan58	19.18	24.48	22.86	24.00	23.33	23.69	26.89	26.89	23.40	22.87	21.45	25.68	23.73
BRRJ dhan96	17.39	20.80	19.13	21.00	21.33	19.69	24.78	20.23	18.27	21.13	20.99	17.11	20.15
LSD_{0.05}	0.43												0.75
CV (%)	4.02												
Panicles m⁻²													
IR12A173	203	218	260	377	222	262	302	276	328	278	230	264	268
IR17A1694	216	235	265	374	217	302	302	304	315	281	277	317	284
BRRJ dhan58	264	223	288	374	197	222	275	275	318	276	259	312	274
BRRJ dhan96	219	200	277	353	237	255	217	281	276	268	241	267	258
LSD_{0.05}	31.31												9.04
CV (%)	7.14												
Filled grains panicle⁻¹													
IR12A173	141	109	140	111	123	148	116	105	115	156	129	104	125
IR17A1694	116	113	97	95	130	136	118	104	105	119	93	98	110
BRRJ dhan58	139	121	158	126	146	128	102	102	138	152	120	107	128
BRRJ dhan96	130	122	140	149	141	181	127	129	155	189	120	104	141
LSD_{0.05}	26.38												7.61
CV (%)	12.85												
Sterility (%)													
IR12A173	23	16	16	22	31	16	17	20	23	16	19	18	20
IR17A1694	20	17	15	21	23	13	24	18	24	21	28	22	21
BRRJ dhan58	24	16	12	25	25	11	20	20	21	19	24	18	19
BRRJ dhan96	24	15	19	13	17	9	18	19	11	7	27	18	16
LSD_{0.05}	6.64												7.61
CV (%)	21.53												

Table 65. Phenotypic Acceptance of some genotypes under ALART (FBR-MD) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Characteristics							
		Plant growth	Uniformity of flowering	Uniformity of maturity	Wrapping quality	Grain type	Flag leaf	PAcp	
								Veg	Mat
1	V1 = IR12A173	Fair	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	5	5
2	V2 = IR17A1694	Poor	Irregular	Irregular	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	5	7
3	V3 = BRRIdhan58	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	5
4	V4= BRRIdhan96	Good	Uniform	Uniform	Well wrapped	Medium slender	Erect	3	3

Phenotypic Acceptability: 1= Excellent, 3= Good, 5= Fair, 7= Poor, 9= Unacceptable

Table 66. Disease incidence of some genotypes under ALART (FBR-MD) during Boro 2023

SN	Genotype	Disease incidence Score			
		Neck Blast	Leaf Blast	Brown spot	BLB
1	V1 = IR12A173	Cumilla 20%, Rangpur 5%	Barisal 5%	Barisal 5%	Gopalganj 10%
2	V2 = IR17A1694	Cumilla 25%	Habiganj 10%	Satkira (20%),	Rangpur (20%)
3	V3 = BRRIdhan58	Cumilla 40%, Rangpur 5%		Gazipur (10%)	Satkira (20%),
4	V4= BRRIdhan96	Cumilla 10%	Sirajgonj 10 %	Manikgonj 5%	-

Table 67. Insect attacked in some rice genotypes under ALART (FBR-MD) during Boro 2023

Genotype	Stem borer	Leaf folder	Rice bug	Grass hopper
V1 = IR12A173	5-10% in 5 locations	3-5 % in 7 locations	1-10% in 3 locations	5% in 2 locations
V2 = IR17A1694	1-3% in 6 locations	1-3% in 5 locations	1-2% in 1 locations	5% in 1 locations
V3 = BRRIdhan58	5-10% in 9 locations	5-10% in 3 locations	1-30% in 3 locations	2-3% in 2 locations
V4= BRRIdhan96	10-15% in 7 locations	5-10% in 6 locations	1-20% in 3 locations	10-15% in 8 locations

1.15 . Validation trial of Polythene Covered Dry Seedbed in the late Boro growing Areas of Bangladesh.

Rationale:

In contemporary times, the Boro season has evolved into the predominant period for rice cultivation in Bangladesh. While the optimal window for seed sowing spans from early November to the end of December, certain areas initiate sowing from January to February, particularly in regions where mustard, potato, and winter vegetables are cultivated. The primary challenge associated with late Boro seed sowing lies in the low temperatures experienced during January and February, leading to issues such as seedling mortality, yellowing, and stunted growth.

To address this challenge, the utilization of polythene-covered dry seedbeds has proven effective, gaining popularity in the Manikganj district over the years. This alternative method, distinct from the traditional wet seedbed approach, significantly reduces the time spent in the seedbed, ultimately shortening the overall growth duration. Farmers in the Manikganj district

widely adopt the polythene-covered dry seedbed technique for raising Boro season seedlings. With this method, seedlings are ready for transplantation within 20-25 days, providing an advancement of 10-15 days compared to the wet seedbed method. Consequently, this approach minimizes the total growth duration by 10-15 days without compromising the yield of BRRI varieties.

Objectives:

1. To reduce duration in the seedbed.
2. To reduce the seedling mortality in the seedbed due to low temperature.
3. To reduce the total growth duration of BRRI developed high yielding Boro varieties.

Methodology:

Four Varieties BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89 and BRRI dhan92 were in four Upazilla of Two districts namely Gazipur (Kapasias), Narsingidhi (palash), Habiganj (Sadar, Nabiganj) during Boro 2022. The unit plot size was 1bigha/variety. Seeding time for eleven locations varied from last week of December 2022 to middle of January, 2023. Dry Seedbed was prepared by following the steps given below: dry seedbed was prepared in an area full of sunlight. Little water Added (sprayed) to the soil till the soil condition became moist. Then pre-germinated (sprouted) seeds spread over the seedbed uniformly@ 4 kg seed/ 1 decimal land. The seedbed then Covered-up with a thin layer of soil and dry cow dung mixture immediately followed by covering with transparent polyethe sheet. Then, the edges of the polythene were completely seal with soil. These seedlings were ready to transplant within 25-30 days. Hardening was done by removing the polythene before two-three days of transplanting for 2-3 hours. When the seedlings are ready to transplant in the main field. No additional water or fertilizer is required in this method.

Seedling age varied from 28-31 days among the locations. Seedlings were transplanted at 25 cm x 15 cm spacing. Fertilizers were applied at 270: 112: 150: 112: 11 kg of Urea: DAP: MoP: Gypsum: ZnSO₄ /ha respectively. All fertilizers except urea were applied as basal and urea was applied in 3 equal splits at 15 days, 30 days after transplanting, and 5-7 days before PI stage. All amounts of DAP, 2/3rd MoP, Gypsum and Zinc sulfate were applied at the time of final land preparation. Rest 1/3rd MoP was given with 3rd top dressing of urea. BRRI recommended management practices were followed as and when necessary. Appropriate measures were taken to control insect pests but diseases were not controlled (to identify susceptibility and tolerance level of lines). Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, lodging tolerance, pest and disease incidence, phenotypic acceptance at vegetative and ripening stage, yield and yield components were recorded. Feedback from farmers and extension personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 10 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yield was adjusted to 14% moisture content.

Results and Discussions

The trial sites in Nabiganj and Habiganj Sadar experienced substantial adverse effects from elevated temperatures, drought, neck blast, and infestations of yellow-stem borer. Particularly noteworthy is the significant challenge posed to rice cultivation in Habiganj district due to the restricted availability of irrigation facilities, except in the hoar region. Consequently, extensive tracts of land remain unused during the Boro and Aus seasons, with only rainfed Aman cultivation being carried out. In stark contrast, the situation in Haor areas is markedly different, as irrigation water is more readily accessible.

At all locations, irrespective of the rice varieties employed, a reduction in the growth duration was observed. The average lifespan of BRRI dhan67, 88, 89, and 92 varieties was notably shorter compared to standard conditions, with durations of 130, 129, 141, and 143 days, respectively. In contrast, under normal transplanting conditions conducted by ARD throughout the country, the durations were 144, 144, 155 and 158 days. Notably, the dry seedbed exhibited no seedling mortality due to cold injury, a common issue during late Boro cultivation.

Additionally, the seedlings remained robust and were easily uprooted for transplanting. All seedlings were ready within 28 days, and the transplanting process was completed within 31 days.

Table 68. Mean performances BRRRI varieties during Boro 2023

variety	Growth duration of PCD trial (days)	Growth duration of other SPDPs of ARD (days)	Grain Yield of PCD trial (ton ha ⁻¹)	Grain Yield (other SPDPs of ARD) (ton ha ⁻¹)
BRRRI dhan67	130	144	5.43	6.17
BRRRI dhan88	129	144	6.23	6.6
BRRRI dhan89	141	155	6.26	7.5
BRRRI dhan92	143	158	6.69	7.7

*Average Yield of PCD trial was lower due drought, high temperature, neck blast and yellow stem borer infestation

Recommendation:

Using polythene-covered dry seedbeds could present a promising substitute for traditional wet seedbeds in late Boro cultivation regions. To confirm the efficacy of this technology, it is essential to conduct additional validation trials in a wider range of representative areas in the future. Additionally, steps must be taken to improve irrigation infrastructure, thereby expanding the acreage available for rice cultivation during the Boro and Aus seasons.

1.16. Head to Head Adaptive Trial (HHAT) during T. Aman 2022.

Materials and Methods

A total of 200 Head to Head Adaptive Trials (HHAT) mentioning eight categories according to rice eco-system were conducted throughout the country during T. Aman 2022 under TRB project through public and private partnership (PPP).

The trials were categorized in 8 different groups considering the rice growing ecosystem and used rice variety. The followings were the major groups:

1. Long growth duration rice variety (LD-Swarna): Tested var. BRRRI dhan51, BRRRI dhan87, BRRRI dhan93, BRRRI dhan94, BRRRI dhan95 and Swarna.
2. Long growth duration rice variety (LD-Dinajpur): Tested var. BRRRI dhan34, BRRRI dhan70, BRRRI dhan80, BRRRI dhan90 and Kataribhog.
3. Long growth duration rice variety (LD- Rangpur): Tested var. BR11, BRRRI dhan52, BRRRI dhan72 and BRRRI dhan87.
4. Long growth duration rice variety (LD-Mymesingh): Tested var. BRRRI dhan32, BRRRI dhan49, BRRRI dhan87, BRRRI dhan93 and BRRRI dhan94.
5. Short growth duration rice variety (SD): Tested var. BRRRI dhan33, BRRRI dhan39, BRRRI dhan71, BRRRI dhan75, Binadhan-7, Binadhan-16, Binadhan-27 and Binadhan-22.
6. Coastal Ecosystem (CE): Tested var. BR10, BR23, BRRRI dhan73, BRRRI dhan78, BRRRI dhan79 and Binadhan-23.
7. Flash Flood Submergence (FFS): Tested var. BR11, BRRRI dhan51, BRRRI dhan52, BRRRI dhan79, Binadhan-11 and Swarna.
8. Tidal Submergence (TS): Tested var. BR23, BRRRI dhan76, BRRRI dhan77, BRRRI dhan52 and Lalmota.

Area of each HHAT was 1 bigha (0.13 ha) and total area of HHAT was 200 bigha (26.8 ha). Production inputs such as seeds, fertilizers, signboards and pesticides were provided from the TRB-ARD component of TRB-BRRRI second phase project. The program was executed through public and private partnership (PPP). The trials were conducted following RCB design where one farmer was treated as a replication. Uniform management practices were followed for each environment while upazila was considered environment. Appropriate measures were taken to control pest incidence. Date of seeding, transplanting, flowering and maturity, lodging

tolerance, pest and disease incidence, grain yield were recorded. Feedback from farmers and extension personnel were also recorded. For yield estimation, 10 m² sample area from each plot was harvested at maturity and grain yield was adjusted to 14% moisture content. Uniform crop management practices were followed for all the varieties in each trial. Good collaboration of Government Organization, Non-Government Organization, Seed Company and Farmers expedited to complete such a large number field trials successfully. Data of all the trials were collected from the partners; then compiled and analyzed by Adaptive Research Division.

Results and Discussion

Grain yield, growth durations and the overall performance of tested rice varieties under different categories of HHAT varied significantly at different locations. In HHAT (LD-Swarna), BRR I dhan87 was found as highest yielder (5.61 t/ha) having growth duration 127 days (Table 69, Fig 1). Whereas Local Swarna produced the lowest yield (4.94 t/ha). BRR I dhan93, BRR I dhan94 and BRR I dhan95 produced the statistically similar yield and the similar growth duration respectively.

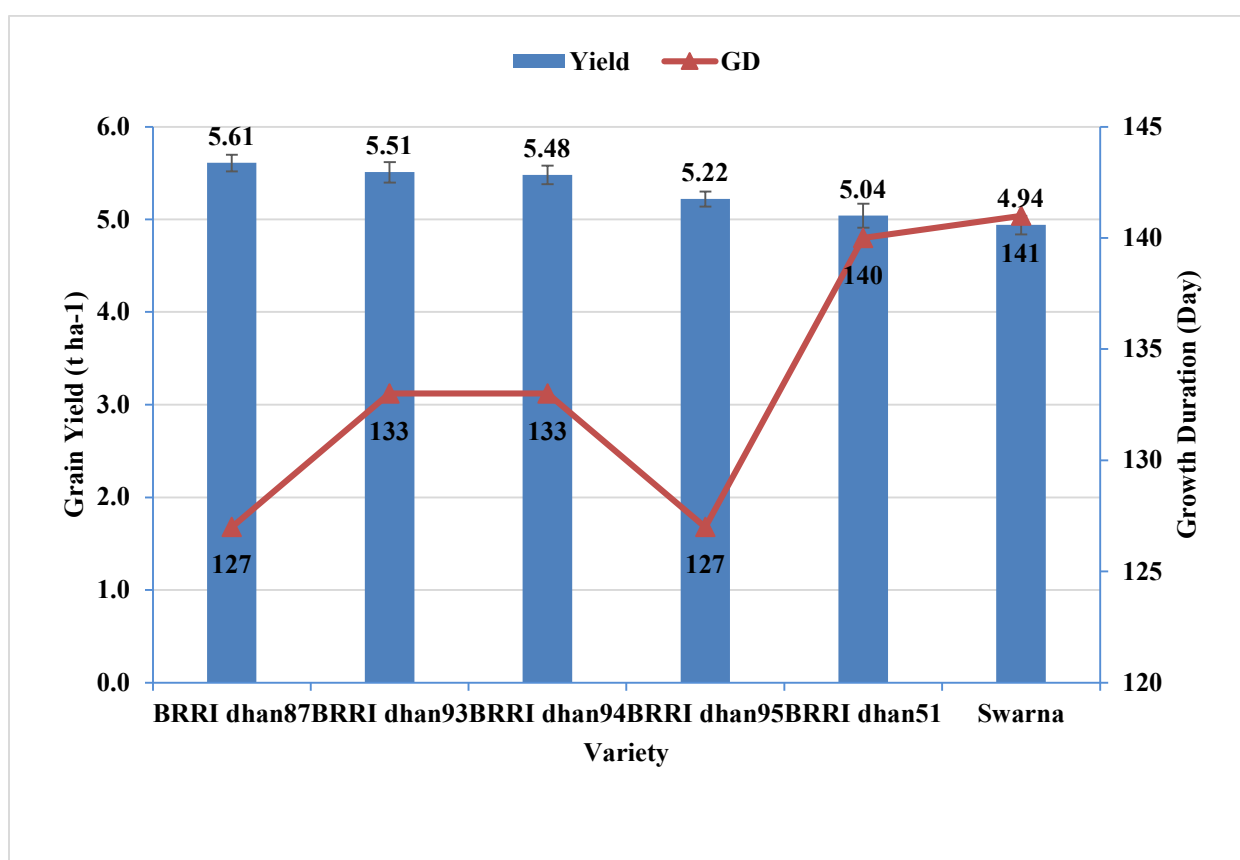


Fig 1. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (LD-Swarna)

Table 69. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (LD- Swarna) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
	Grain yield (t/ha)					
BRR I dhan87	36	5.61	6.66	3.78	0.59	0.09
BRR I dhan93	36	5.51	6.60	4.20	0.70	0.11
BRR I dhan94	36	5.48	6.94	4.20	0.65	0.1
BRR I dhan95	36	5.22	6.38	4.39	0.49	0.08
BRR I dhan51	36	5.04	6.38	3.32	0.74	0.13
Swarna	36	4.94	6.28	3.23	0.61	0.1
Growth duration (Day)						
BRR I dhan87	36	127	138	123	3.41	0.57
BRR I dhan93	36	133	139	128	2.41	0.40

BRRi dhan94	36	133	141	125	3.45	0.58
BRRi dhan95	36	127	138	120	3.50	0.59
BRRi dhan51	36	140	150	134	4.47	0.77
Swarna	36	141	150	131	6.55	1.16

In HHAT (LD-Dinajpur), BRRi dhan80 was found as highest yielder (4.63 t/ha) having growth duration 133 days followed by BRRi dhan70 (4.63 t/ha) (Table 70, Fig 2). Whereas, Kataribhog produced the lowest yield (3.49 t/ha) followed by BRRi dhan34 (3.87 t/ha).

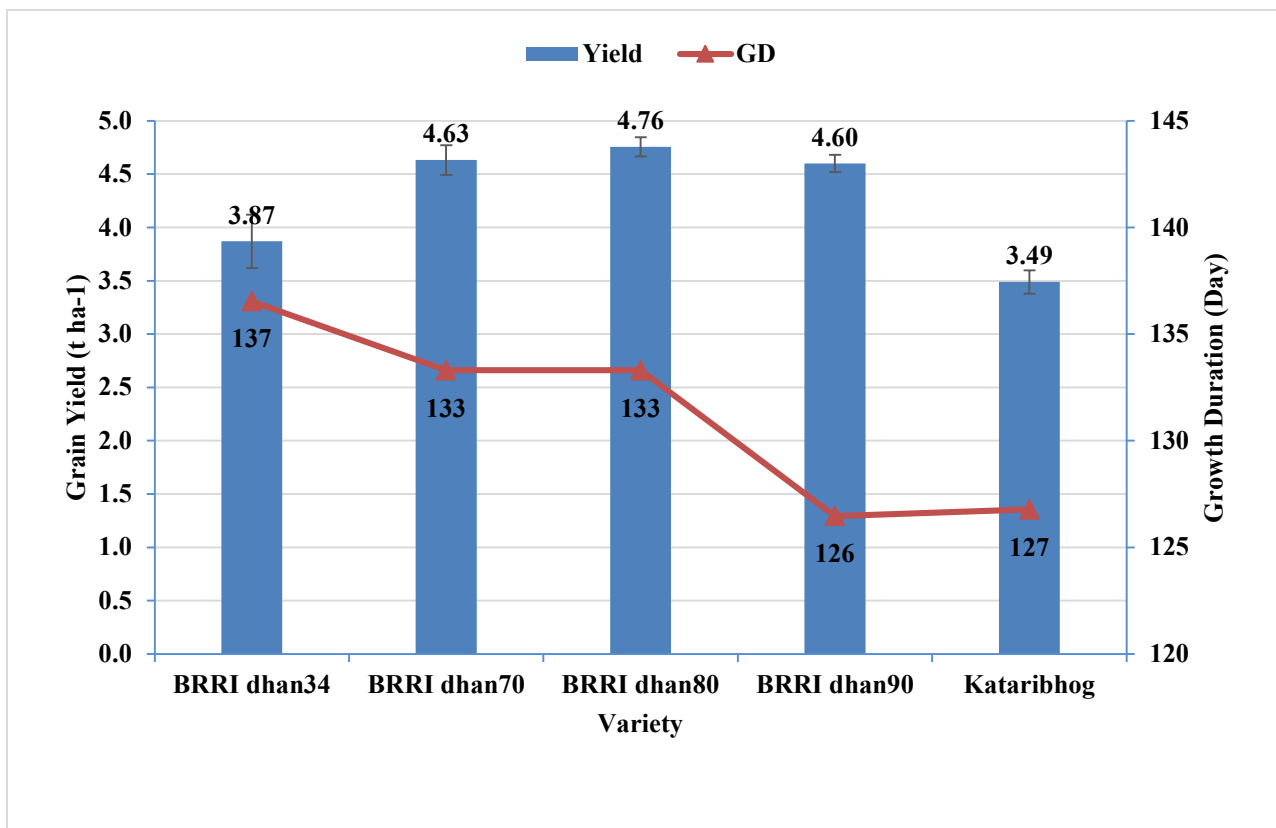


Fig 2. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (LD-Dinajpur)

Table 70. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (LD-Dinajpur) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
BRRi dhan34	23	3.87	6.32	2.80	1.15	0.25
BRRi dhan70	23	4.63	5.93	3.00	0.67	0.14
BRRi dhan80	23	4.76	5.93	1.93	0.45	0.09
BRRi dhan90	23	4.60	5.83	3.80	0.42	0.08
Kataribhog	18	3.49	4.30	2.50	0.47	0.11
Growth duration (Day)						
BRRi dhan34	23	137	140	132	2.99	0.64
BRRi dhan70	23	133	140	127	4.00	0.84
BRRi dhan80	23	133	140	130	2.38	0.50
BRRi dhan90	23	126	133	122	2.95	0.62
Kataribhog	18	127	140	118	7.38	1.74

In the category HHAT (LD-Ragpur), BRRi dhan87 produced the highest grain yield (5.71 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days only (Table 71, Fig 3) followed by BR11 which produced (5.29 t/ha). BRRi dhan52 produced the lowest yield (5.01 t/ha) with longest growth duration 146 days only among of all tested varieties.

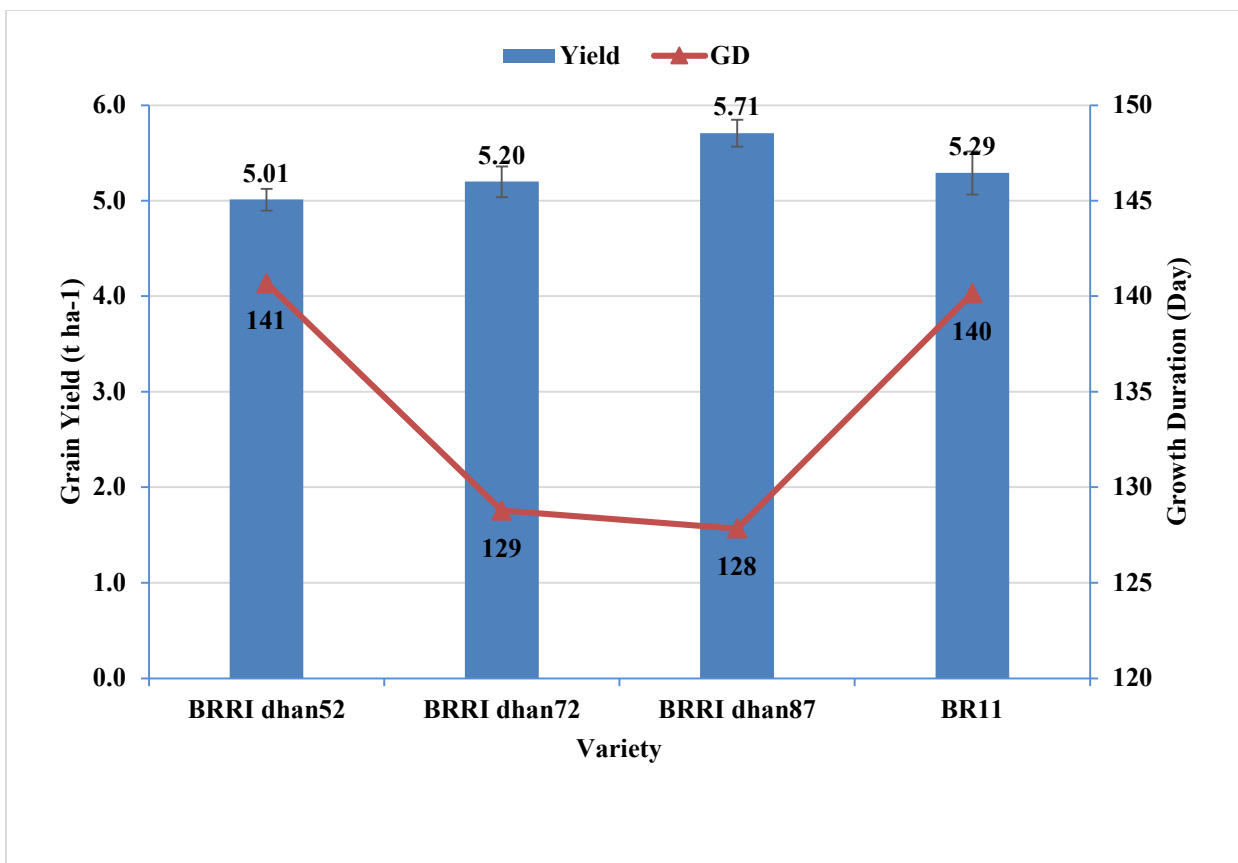


Fig 3. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (LD-Rangpur)

Table 71. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (LD-Rangpur) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BRR1 dhan52	19	5.01	5.08	3.80	0.50	0.11
BRR1 dhan72	19	5.20	6.30	4.10	0.70	0.16
BRR1 dhan87	19	5.71	6.80	4.65	0.62	0.14
BR11	19	5.29	6.90	4.34	0.99	0.23
Growth duration (Day)						
BRR1 dhan52	19	141	147	130	5.62	1.29
BRR1 dhan72	19	129	133	124	3.07	0.70
BRR1 dhan87	19	128	132	125	2.29	0.53
BR11	19	140	146	131	4.05	0.93

In the category HHAT (LD-Mymensingh), BRR1 dhan49 produced the highest grain yield (5.70 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days only (Table 72, Fig 4). BRR1 dhan87 and BRR1 dhan94 produced the statistically similar yield and the similar growth duration respectively. BRR1 dhan32 produced the lowest yield (5.40 t/ha) having growth duration 131 days.

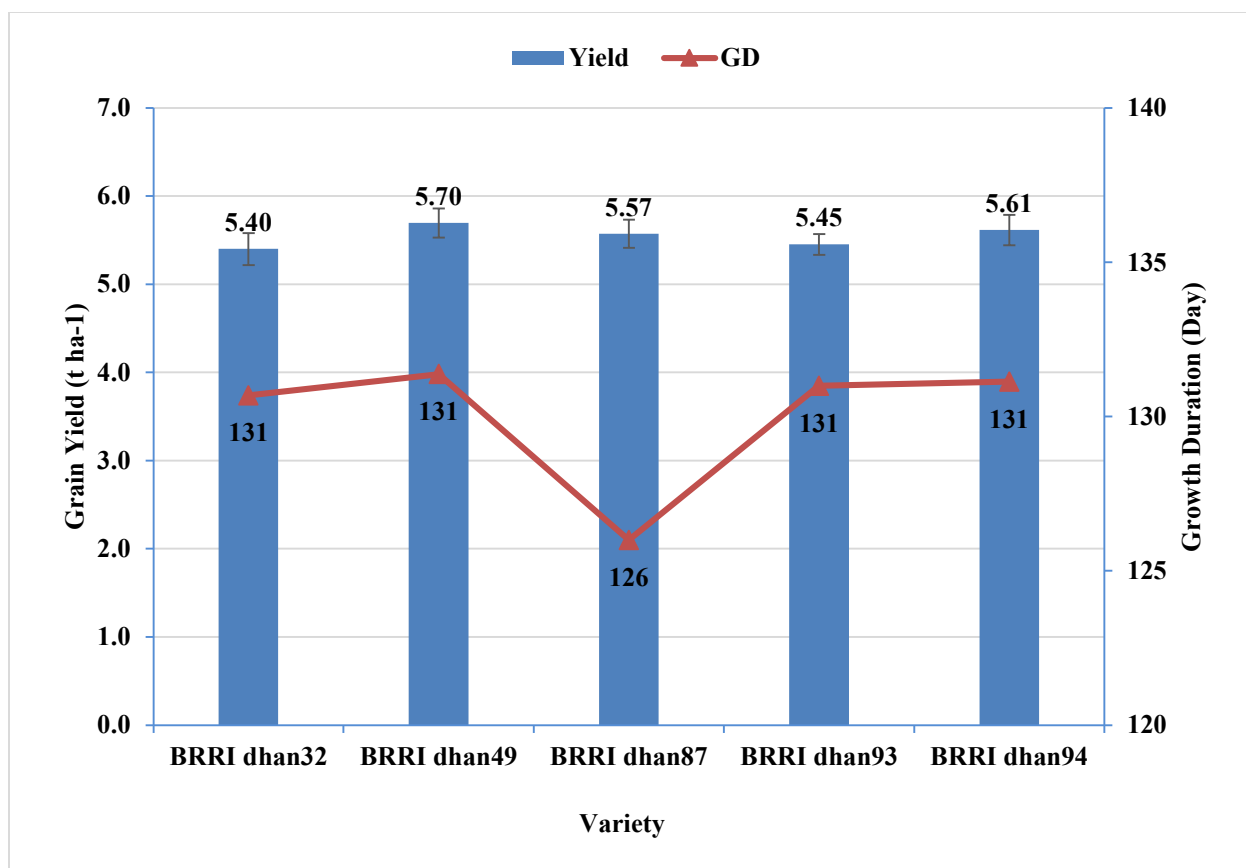


Fig 4. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (LD-Mymensingh)

Table 72. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (LD- Mymensingh) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BRRRI dhan32	16	5.40	6.30	4	0.73	0.18
BRRRI dhan49	16	5.70	6.57	4.32	0.66	0.16
BRRRI dhan87	16	5.57	6.50	4.23	0.62	0.16
BRRRI dhan93	16	5.45	6.00	4.43	0.46	0.12
BRRRI dhan94	16	5.61	6.57	4.13	0.67	0.17
Growth duration (Day)						
BRRRI dhan32	16	131	134	130	1.25	0.31
BRRRI dhan49	16	131	134	130	1.71	0.43
BRRRI dhan87	16	126	132	123	3.35	0.87
BRRRI dhan93	16	131	134	130	1.25	0.32
BRRRI dhan94	16	131	133	130	1.06	0.27

In the category HHAT (SD), average highest yield of Binadhan-17 was recorded 5.57 t/ha followed by BRRRI dhan75 producing grain yield 5.40 t/ha. Binadhan-22 also performed well, which produced grain yield 5.35 t/ha having only 114 days growth duration (Table 73, Fig 5). Binadhan-7 produced the lowest yield 4.40 t/ha, which was statistically similar to Binadhan-16. The growth duration was 112 days and 106 days respectively.

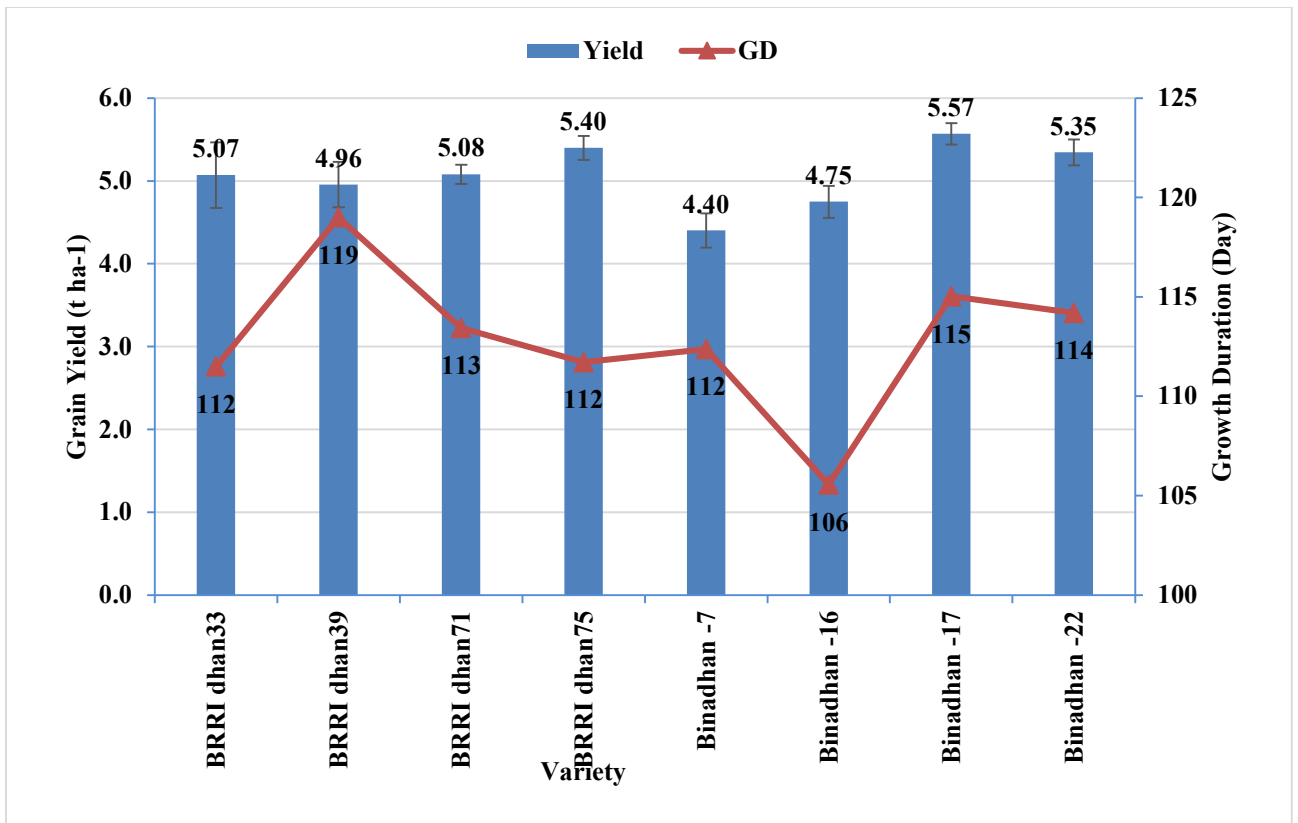


Fig 5. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (SD)

Table 73. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Short Duration-SD) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BRRI dhan33	8	5.07	6.73	3.72	1.12	0.40
BRRI dhan39	7	4.96	5.87	4.38	0.61	0.27
BRRI dhan71	30	5.08	6.19	3.17	0.65	0.12
BRRI dhan75	30	5.40	6.84	3.69	0.80	0.14
Binadhan-7	15	4.40	5.56	2.59	0.88	0.21
Binadhan-16	30	4.75	6.48	2.35	1.07	0.19
Binadhan-17	30	5.57	6.89	4.09	0.71	0.13
Binadhan-22	30	5.35	7.10	3.24	0.87	0.16
Growth duration (Days)						
BRRI dhan33	8	112	118	101	5.58	1.97
BRRI dhan39	7	119	123	116	2.55	1.14
BRRI dhan71	30	113	117	101	3.90	0.70
BRRI dhan75	30	112	116	104	4.00	0.72
Binadhan-7	15	112	118	102	4.76	1.12
Binadhan-16	30	106	114	99	3.22	0.58
Binadhan-17	30	115	125	102	4.29	0.78
Binadhan-22	30	114	125	106	3.70	0.66

In Coastal Ecosystem (CE) areas, the average highest yield was BRRI dhan79 was recorded 5.28t/ha followed by BR10 producing grain yield 5.04 t/ha with longest 146 days growth duration. BRRI dhan73 performed less in Coastal ecosystem, which produced grain yield 4.42 t/ha having only 120 days growth duration (Table 74, Fig 6).

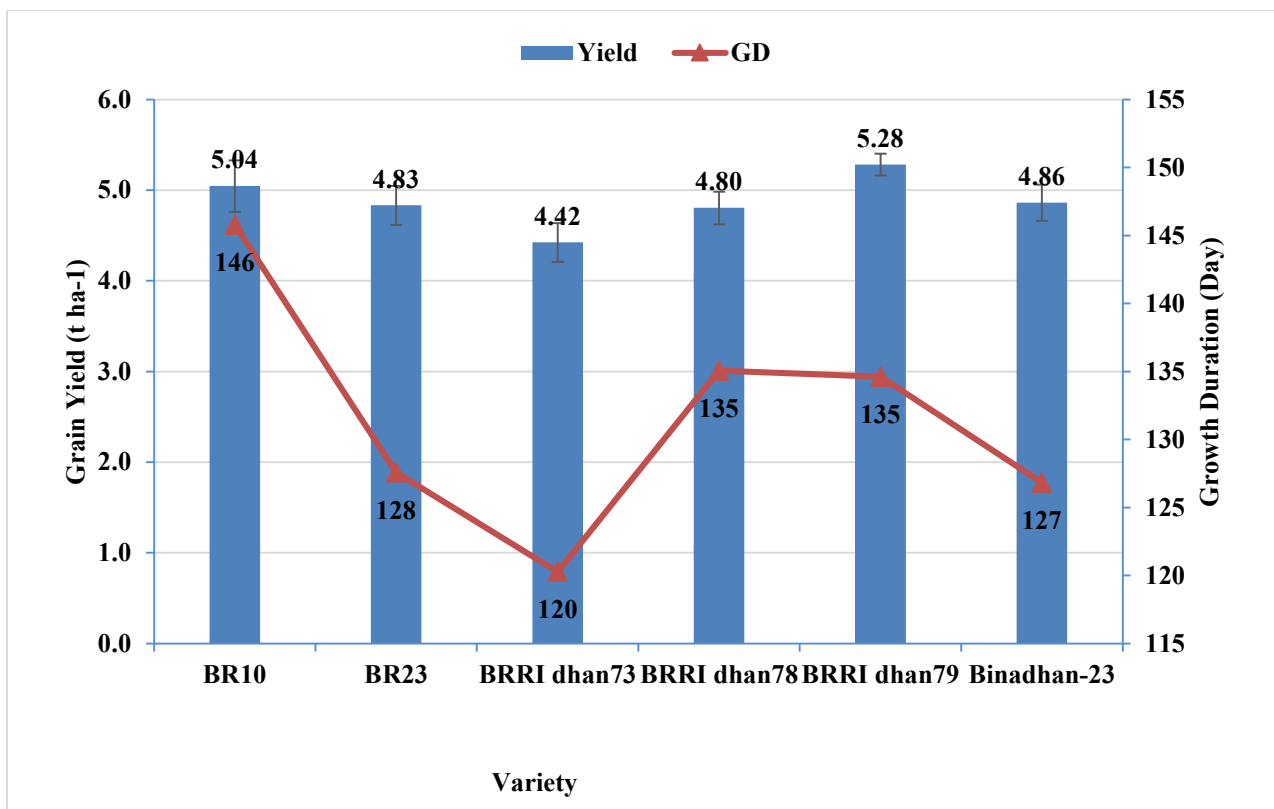


Fig 6. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (CE)

Table 74. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Coastal Ecosystem-CE) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BR10	7	5.04	5.88	4.26	0.64	0.28
BR23	7	4.83	5.88	4.32	0.57	0.22
BRRRI dhan73	18	4.42	6.00	2.94	0.91	0.21
BRRRI dhan78	18	4.80	6.10	3.45	0.76	0.18
BRRRI dhan79	18	5.28	6.13	4.49	0.51	0.12
Binadhan-23	18	4.86	6.11	3.78	0.82	0.20
Growth duration (Day)						
BR10	7	146	148	145	1.30	0.58
BR23	7	128	140	121	6.85	2.59
BRRRI dhan73	18	120	131	108	7.77	1.83
BRRRI dhan78	18	135	141	130	3.13	0.74
BRRRI dhan79	18	135	140	128	3.13	0.74
Binadhan-23	18	127	137	119	5.39	1.31

Among the Flash flood submergence tolerant var. BR11 produced the highest mean yield (5.35 t/ha) having the GD 144 days followed by BRRRI dhan52 producing grain yield 5.30 t/ha with 147 days growth duration (Table 75, Fig 7) and other tested varieties BRRRI dhan51, BRRRI dhan79 gave statistically similar yield, which can overcome early flash flood, a major problem in flash flood prone areas. Binadhan-11 produced lowest yield 4.49 t/ha among all the tested varieties.

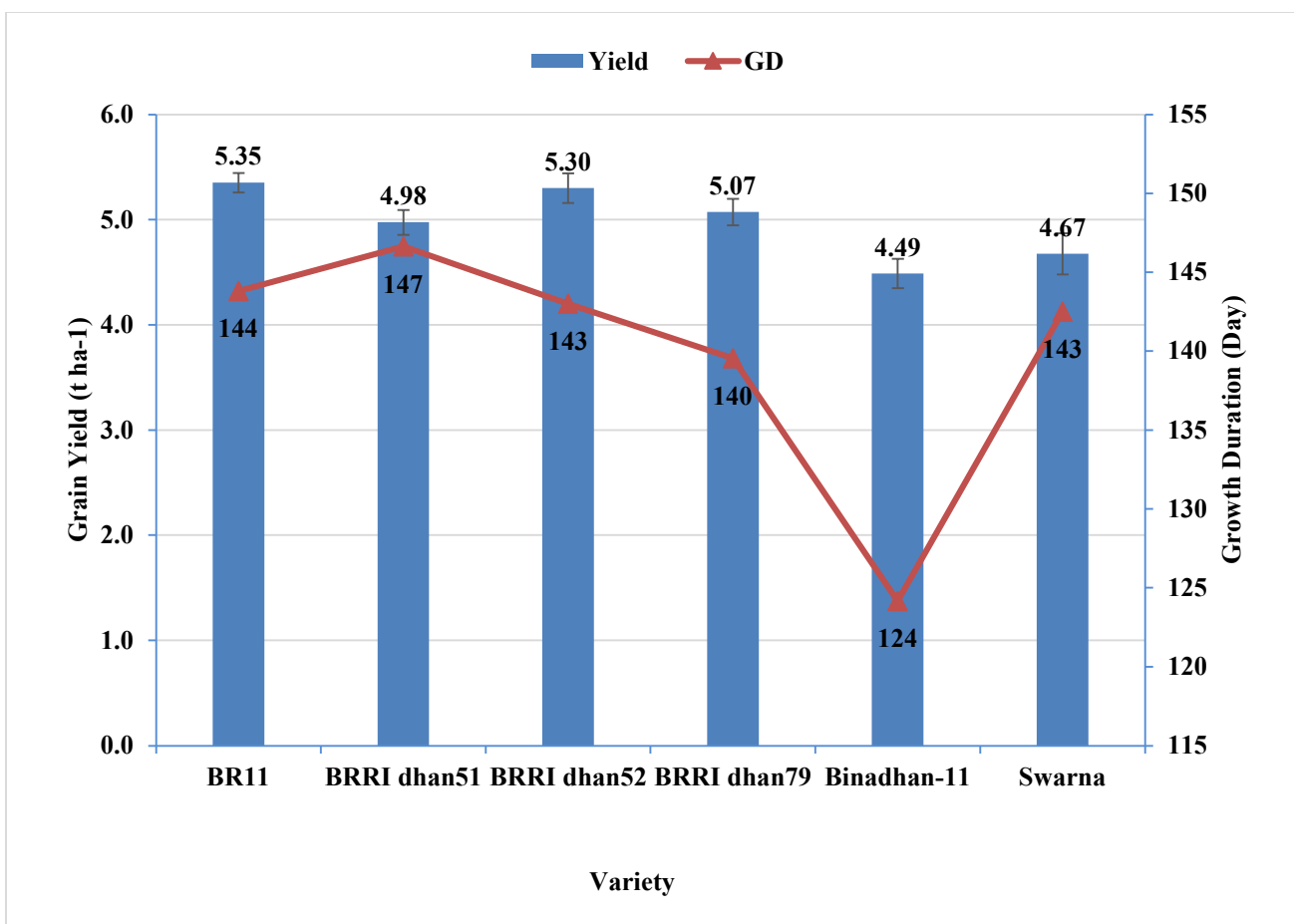


Fig 7. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (FFS)

Table 75. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Flash Flood Submergence-FFS Ecosystem) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BR11	15	5.35	6.48	4.34	0.43	0.09
BRR1 dhan51	30	4.98	6.81	3.55	0.68	0.12
BRR1 dhan52	30	5.30	6.42	3.16	0.80	0.14
BRR1 dhan79	30	5.07	5.93	3.50	0.72	0.13
Binadhan-11	30	4.49	5.53	2.90	0.78	0.14
Swarna	15	4.67	5.78	3.43	0.83	0.20
Growth duration (Day)						
BR11	15	144	158	139	5.17	1.13
BRR1 dhan51	30	147	157	140	5.59	0.97
BRR1 dhan52	30	143	152	138	4.72	0.82
BRR1 dhan79	30	140	155	129	6.67	1.16
Binadhan-11	30	124	128	115	4.01	0.72
Swarna	15	143	152	135	3.97	0.94

Among the Tidal Submergence tolerant var. BRR1 dhan76 produced the highest mean yield 5.27 t/ha having the GD 155 days followed by BRR1 dhan52 producing grain yield 5.04 t/ha with 143 days growth duration (Table 76, Fig 8) and other tested varieties BRR1 dhan77, BR23 gave statistically similar yield, which can overcome Tidal Submergence, a major problem southwest part in Bangladesh. Local variety Lalmota produced lowest yield 3.82 t/ha among all the tested varieties with longest 158 days growth duration.

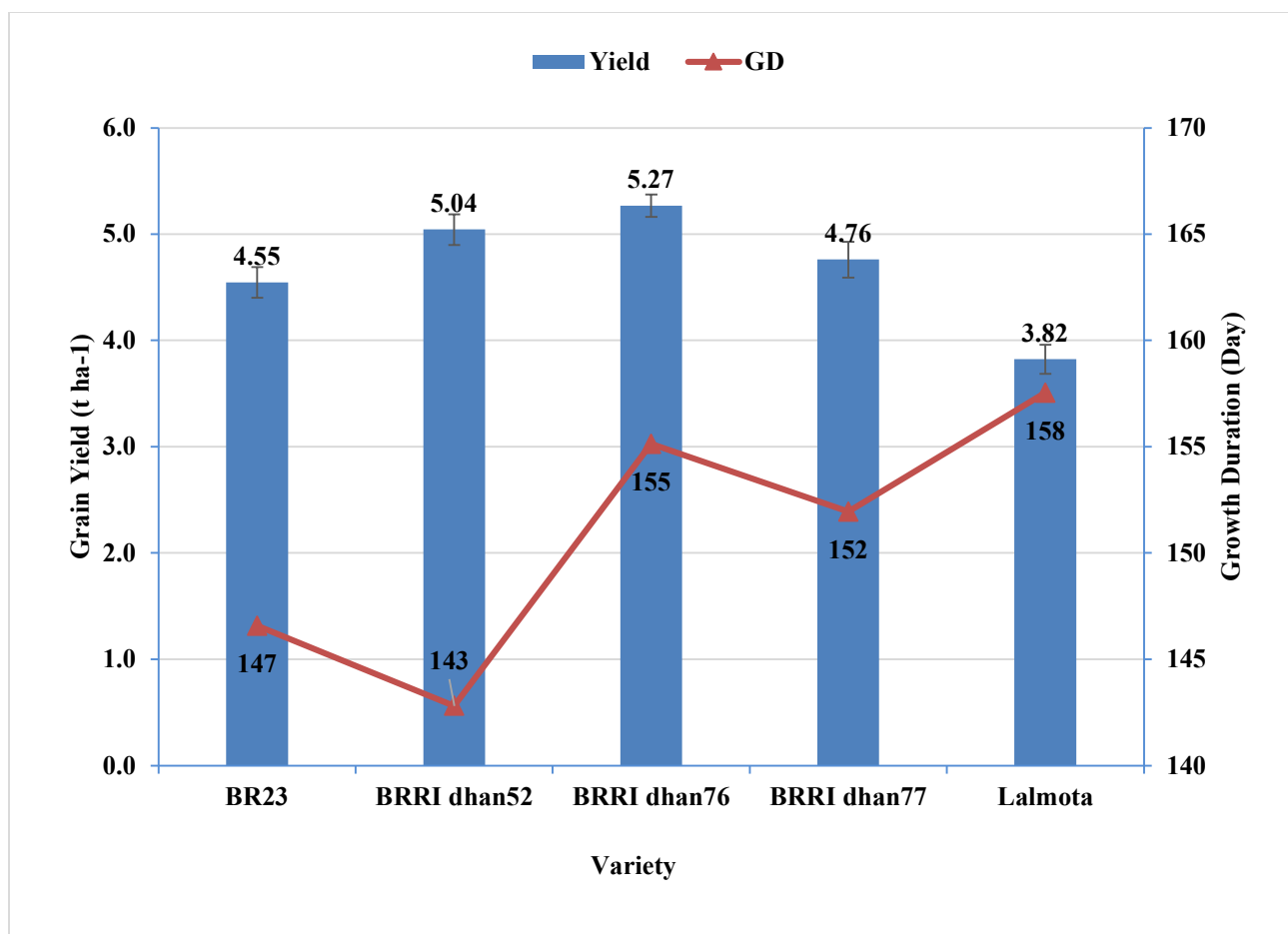


Fig 8. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (TS)

Table 76. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Tidal Submergence-TS Ecosystem) during T. Aman, 2022.

Variety	Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
Grain yield (t/ha)						
BR23	20	4.55	5.53	3.43	0.63	0.14
BRRRI dhan52	20	5.04	5.82	4.10	0.58	0.15
BRRRI dhan76	20	5.27	5.82	4.33	0.42	0.10
BRRRI dhan77	20	4.76	5.53	2.95	0.67	0.17
Lalomota	16	3.82	4.68	3.21	0.49	0.14
Growth duration (Day)						
BR23	20	147	153	140	4.80	1.10
BRRRI dhan52	20	143	151	138	3.87	0.97
BRRRI dhan76	20	155	164	149	4.32	1.08
BRRRI dhan77	20	152	158	147	3.00	0.75
Lalomota	16	158	167	149	6.53	1.81

Conclusion

In Swarna rice growing areas, BRRRI dhan87 was found as highest yielder (5.61 t/ha) having growth duration 127 days. Whereas Local Swarna produced the lowest yield (4.94 t/ha). BRRRI dhan93, BRRRI dhan94 and BRRRI dhan95 produced the statistically similar yield and the similar growth duration respectively. In Dinajpur areas, BRRRI dhan80 was found as highest yielder (4.63 t/ha) having growth duration 133 days followed by BRRRI dhan70 (4.63 t/ha). Whereas, and Kataribhog produced the lowest yield (3.49 t/ha) followed by BRRRI dhan34 (3.87 t/ha) respectively. In Rangpur areas, BRRRI dhan87 produced the highest grain yield (5.71 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days only followed by BR11 which produced (5.29 t/ha). BRRRI dhan52 produced the lowest yield (5.01 t/ha) with longest growth duration 146 days only among of all tested varieties. In Mymensingh areas), BRRRI dhan49 produced

the highest grain yield (5.70 t/ha) having also the shortest growth duration 146 days only. BRR I dhan87 and BRR I dhan94 produced the statistically similar yield and the similar growth duration respectively. BRR I dhan32 produced the lowest yield (5.40 t/ha) having growth duration 131 days. In the short duration rice growing areas, average highest yield of Binadhan-17 was recorded 5.57 t/ha followed by BRR I dhan75 producing grain yield 5.40 t/ha. Binadhan-22 also performed well, which produced grain yield 5.35 t/ha having only 114 days growth duration. Binadhan-7 produced the lowest yield 4.40 t/ha.

In Coastal Ecosystem (CE) areas, the average highest yield was BRR I dhan79 was recorded 5.28t/ha followed by BR10 producing grain yield 5.04 t/ha whereas, BRR I dhan73 performed less in Coastal ecosystem, which produced grain yield 4.42 t/ha having only 120 days growth duration.

Among the Flash flood submergence tolerant var. BR11 produced the highest mean yield (5.35 t/ha) having the GD 144 days followed by BRR I dhan52 producing grain yield 5.30 t/ha with 147 days growth duration and other tested varieties BRR I dhan51, BRR I dhan79 gave statistically similar yield, which can overcome early flash flood, a major problem in flash flood prone areas. Tidal Submergence tolerant var. BRR I dhan76 produced the highest mean yield 5.27 t/ha having the GD 155 days followed by BRR I dhan52 producing grain yield 5.04 t/ha with 143 days growth duration, which can overcome Tidal Submergence, a major problem at the southwest part in Bangladesh.

1.17 Head to Head Adaptive Trial (HHAT) during Boro 2023.

Objectives:

- i. Validate the adaptability of modern rice varieties in different environments at farmers' field
- ii. Investigate the performance of promising varieties compared to popular mega variety
- iii. Select suitable variety(s) for target environments
- iv. Rapid dissemination of promising rice varieties

Materials and Methods

A total of 200 Head to Head Adaptive Trials (HHAT) with five categories according to rice eco-system were conducted at different locations of the country during Boro 2023 under TRB project through public and private partnership (PPP).

The trials were categorized in five different groups considering the agro-ecology and used rice variety. The followings were the major groups

1. Short growth duration rice variety (GD<150 days): Tested var. BRR I dhan28, BRR I dhan74, BRR I dhan88, Bangabandhu dhan100, BAU dhan3 and Binadhan-25
2. Long growth duration rice variety (GD>150 days): Tested var. BRR I dhan29, BRR I dhan89 and BRR I dhan92, BRR I dhan102 and Binadhan-24.
3. Saline Ecosystem (SE): Tested var. BRR I dhan28, BRR I dhan67, BRR I dhan97 and BRR I dhan99.
4. Haor Ecosystem (HAE): Tested var. BRR I dhan28, BRR I dhan67, BRR I dhan88 and BRR I dhan96 and BRR I dhan101.
5. Hilly Eco-system (HIE): Tested var. BRR I dhan28, BRR I dhan74, BRR I dhan84, BRR I dhan88, and Bangabandhu dhan100.

Area of each HHAT was 1 bigha (0.13 ha) and total area of HHAT was 200 bigha (26.75 ha). TRB-BRR I provided inputs like quality seeds, fertilizer, signboard and pesticide. Fertilizers Urea, Triple super phosphate (TSP), Muriate of potash (MOP), Gypsum and Zinc sulfate @ 270, 112, 150, 112 and 11 kg ha⁻¹, respectively were applied in the HHAT Boro 2022-23. Uniform crop management practices were followed for all the varieties in each trial. Good collaboration of Government Organization, Non-Government Organization, Seed Company and Farmers expedited to complete such a high number field trials successfully. Data collected on Farmers name and contacts; Date of seeding, transplanting, and maturity; grain yield, lodging tolerance,

disease and insect incidence, feedback of the farmers and collaborators. All the collaborators collected data of the trials conducted by them. Data of all the trials were collected from the partners; then compiled and analyzed by Adaptive Research Division.

Results and Discussion

Grain yield, growth durations and the overall performance of tested rice varieties under different categories of HHAT varied significantly at different locations. In HHAT (SD), BRRI dhan88 was found as highest yielder (6.71 t/ha) having growth duration 140 days followed by BRRI dhan74 and Binadhan-25 (6.67 & 6.66 t/ha). Whereas BRRI dhan28 produced the lowest yield (5.83 t/ha). Bngabandhu dhan 100 and BAU dhan3 produced good yield and the growth duration were 143 days and 142 days respectively (Table 77, Fig 9).

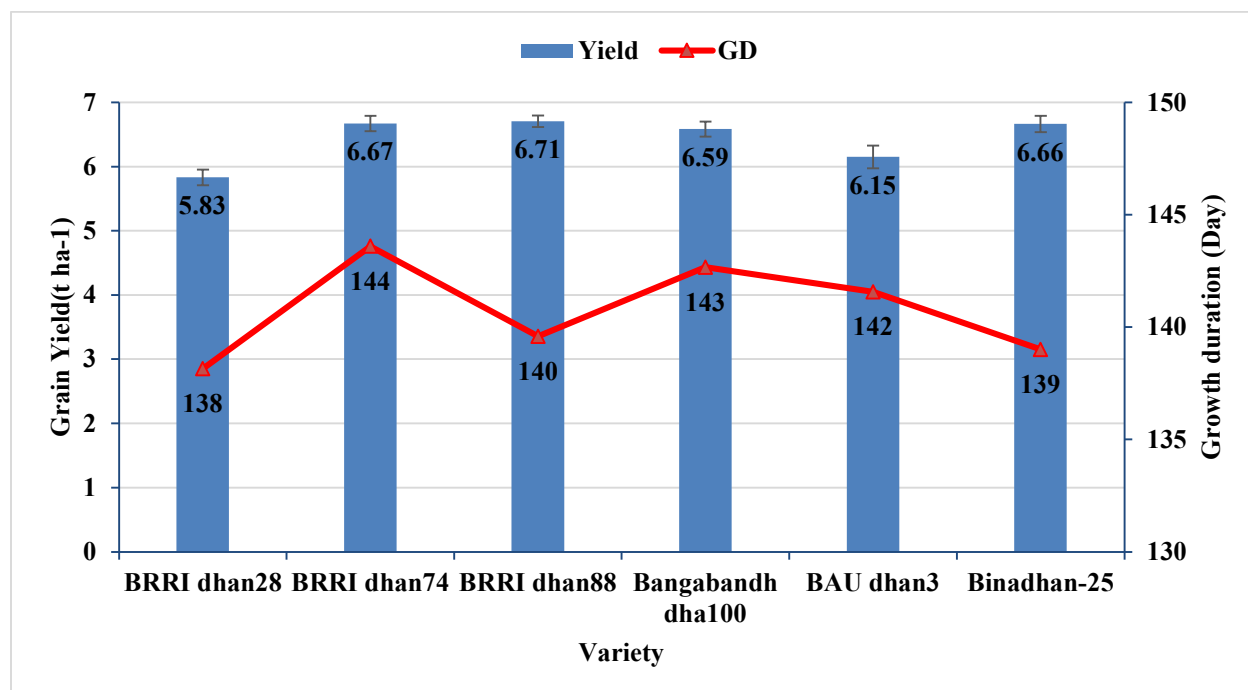


Fig 9. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (SD)

Table 77. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (SD) during Boro, 2023.

Variety	No. of Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
BRRI dhan28	73	5.83	8.89	3.72	1.04	0.12
BRRI dhan74	73	6.67	10.48	4.08	1.03	0.12
BRRI dhan88	73	6.71	9.33	5.26	0.75	0.09
Bngabandhu dhan 100	73	6.59	9.98	4.35	1.00	0.12
BAU dhan3	73	6.15	8.65	4.16	0.97	0.18
Binadhan-25	73	6.66	8.64	5.05	0.66	0.13
BRRI dhan28	73	138	146	130	5.38	0.63
BRRI dhan74	73	144	156	131	5.07	0.59
BRRI dhan88	73	140	155	130	5.50	0.64
Bngabandhu dhan 100	73	143	155	130	6.36	0.74
BAU dhan3	73	142	150	128	5.93	1.08
Binadhan-25	73	139	149	130	5.29	0.72

In the category HHAT (LD), BRRI dhan102 produced the highest grain yield (7.79 t/ha) followed by BRRI dhan92 which produced (7.67 t/ha). Binadhan-24 produced the lowest yield

(6.47 t/ha) having also the lowest growth duration 142 days only (Table 78, Fig 10). The growth duration of BRRRI dhan29 was the longest (156 days) of all tested varieties and Binadhan-24 was the shortest (142 days).

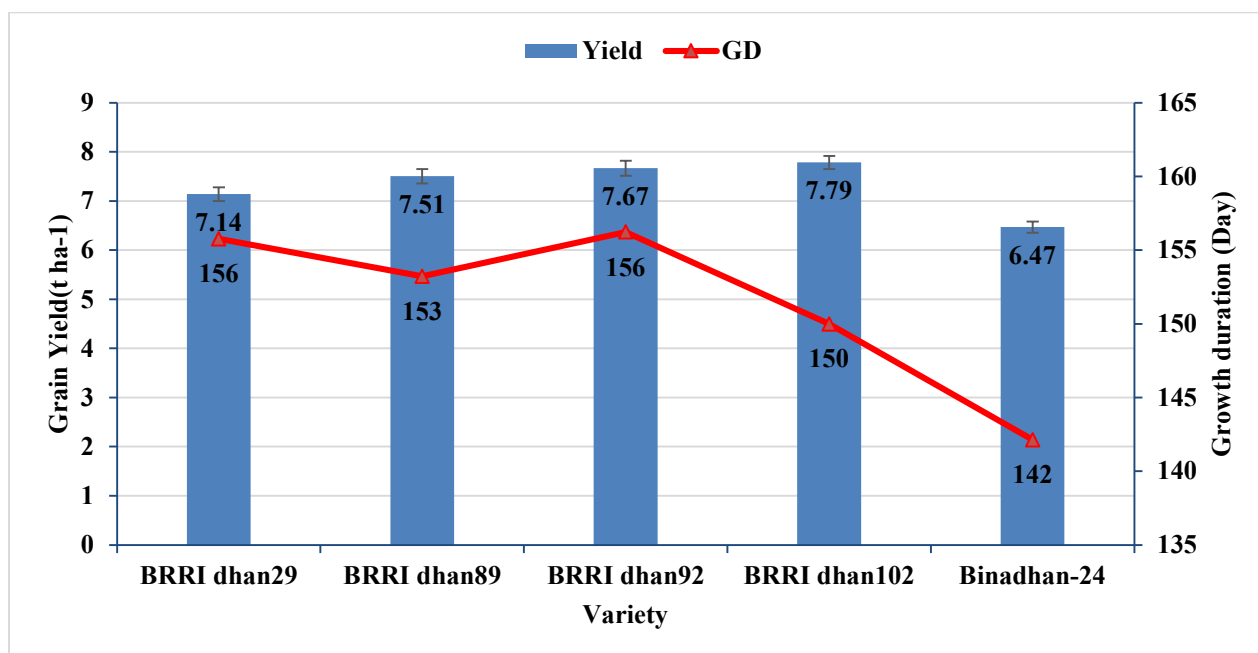


Fig 10. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (LD)

Table 78. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (LD) during Boro, 2023.

Variety	No. of Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
	BRRRI dhan29	59	7.14	9.88	5.50	1.09
BRRRI dhan89	59	7.51	10.03	5.70	1.13	0.15
BRRRI dhan92	59	7.67	10.21	5.10	1.18	0.15
BRRRI dhan102	26	7.79	10.00	6.86	0.67	0.13
Binadhan-24	72	6.47	9.61	4.58	0.98	0.12
BRRRI dhan29	59	156	163	140	4.25	0.55
BRRRI dhan89	59	153	167	142	6.03	0.78
BRRRI dhan92	59	156	167	148	4.27	0.56
BRRRI dhan102	26	150	158	144	4.60	0.90
Binadhan-24	72	142	152	130	5.38	0.63

In Haor areas, a single Boro area the average yield was BRRRI dhan96 was recorded (6.67 t/ha) followed by BRRRI dhan67 producing grain yield (5.89 t/ha). BRRRI dhan101 also performed well in Haor eco-system, which produced grain yield (5.85 t/ha) having only 145 days growth duration. BRRRI dhan96 (6.67 t/ha) was found as most suitable cultivar with lowest growth duration 136 days which can overcome early flash flood, a major problem in Haor areas (Table 79, Fig 11).

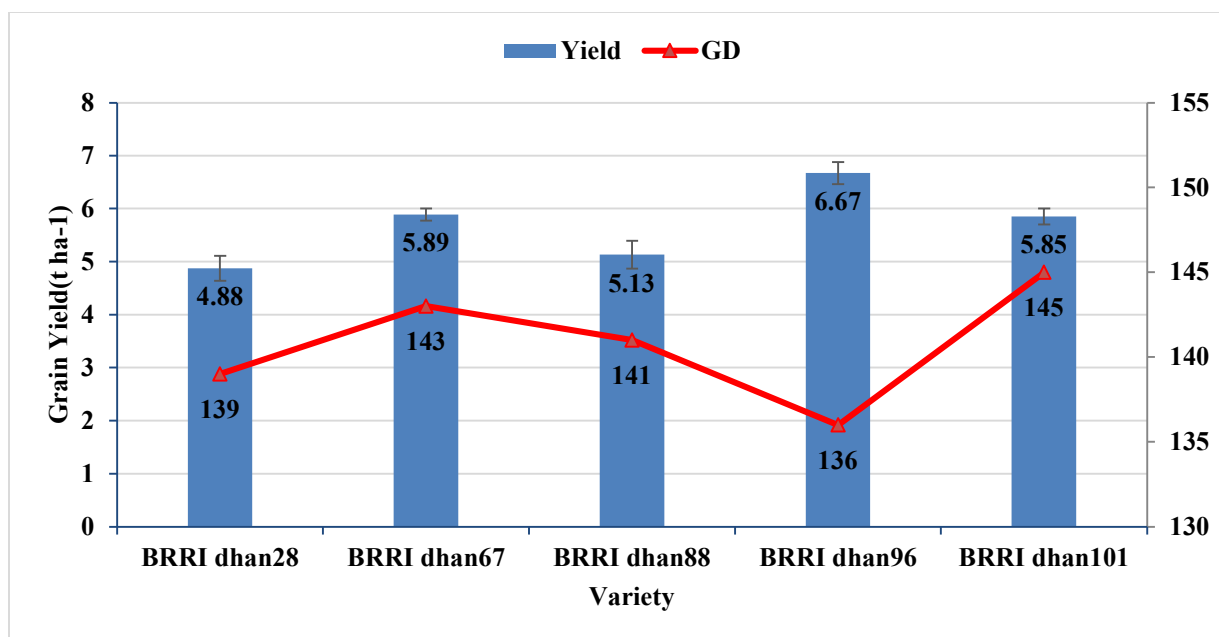


Fig 11. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (Haor)

Table 79. Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Haor Ecosystem) during Boro, 2023.

Variety	No. of Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
BRRi dhan28	12	4.88	6.51	3.47	0.83	0.24
BRRi dhan67	12	5.89	6.35	5.13	0.40	0.12
BRRi dhan88	12	5.13	6.22	3.48	0.91	0.26
BRRi dhan96	13	6.67	7.41	4.98	0.70	0.21
BRRi dhan101	11	5.85	6.91	5.30	0.42	0.15
Variety						
BRRi dhan28	12	139	140	138	0.78	0.22
BRRi dhan67	12	143	144	142	0.43	0.12
BRRi dhan88	12	141	142	139	0.94	0.27
BRRi dhan96	13	136	140	134	1.87	0.52
BRRi dhan101	11	145	148	139	2.48	0.75

Among the salt tolerant var. BRRi dhan99 produced the highest mean yield (6.79 t/ha) having the GD 146 days followed BRRi dhan97 also performed well and average grain yield was (6.27 t/ha) with same growth duration. Very much poor yield was observed for BRRi dhan28 in saline eco-system (Table 80, Fig 12). BRRi dhan28 was affected by neck blast and this is why yield hampered. The growth duration of BRRi dhan67 was at par BRRi dhan28 and could be cultivated with minimum irrigation.

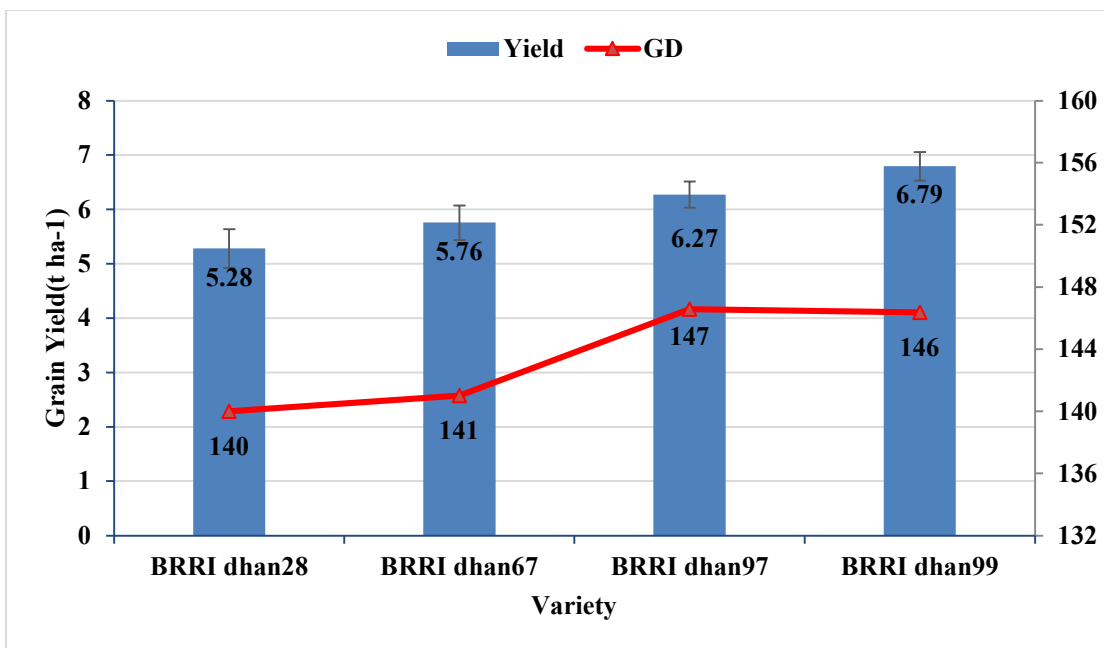


Fig 12. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (Saline)

Table 80. Summary Statistics of grain yield and and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Saline Ecosystem) during Boro 2023.

Variety	No. of Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
BRRI dhan28	19	5.28	7.81	2.98	1.13	0.36
BRRI dhan67	19	5.76	7.59	2.51	1.39	0.32
BRRI dhan97	19	6.27	8.87	4.68	1.05	0.24
BRRI dhan99	19	6.79	8.50	4.86	1.14	0.26
Variety						
BRRI dhan28	19	140	145	132	4.10	0.94
BRRI dhan67	19	141	151	135	4.38	1.00
BRRI dhan97	19	147	154	140	4.53	1.04
BRRI dhan99	19	146	158	141	5.13	1.18

In hilly rice eco-system, BRRI dhan74 was the highest yielder (6.69t/ha) in HHAT under followed by Bangabandhu dhan100 (6.35 t/ha) (Table 81, Fig 13). BRRI dhan88 also performed well in hilly eco-system, which produced grain yield (6.19 t/ha) having only 142 days growth duration. Irrigation water was scarce at hilly areas, and very often surface water was used for irrigation.

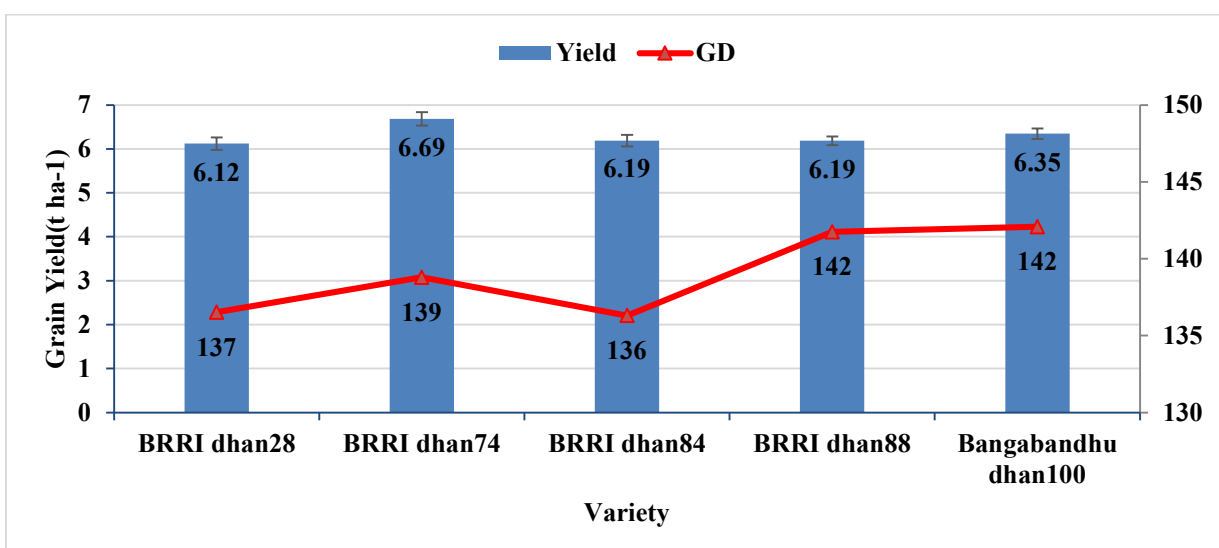


Fig 13. Average grain yield and growth duration of tested rice varieties in HHAT (Hilly)

Table 81: Summary Statistics of grain yield and growth duration of tested varieties under HHAT (Hill Ecosystem) during Boro 2023.

Variety						
	No. of Observation (n)	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Standard deviation (SD)	Standard error (SE)
BRRI dhan28	20	6.12	7.20	5.30	0.67	0.14
BRRI dhan74	20	6.69	8.10	5.74	0.72	0.15
BRRI dhan84	20	6.19	7.10	5.05	0.63	0.13
BRRI dhan88	20	6.19	6.58	5.77	0.28	0.10
Bangabandhu dhan100	20	6.35	7.47	5.62	0.57	0.12
Variety						
BRRI dhan28	20	137	142	133	2.73	0.57
BRRI dhan74	20	139	150	133	5.62	1.17
BRRI dhan84	20	136	142	132	2.51	0.52
BRRI dhan88	20	142	146	135	4.33	1.53
Bangabandhu dhan100	20	142	149	134	3.74	0.78

Conclusion

The top yielder in HHAT (SD) was BRRI dhan88 (6.71 t/ha), with a growth period of 140 days, followed by BRRI dhan74 and Binadhan-25 (6.67 & 6.66 t/ha). BRRI Dhan28 had the lowest yield (5.83 t/ha), however. The highest grain yield in the HHAT (LD) category was achieved by BRRI dhan102 (7.79 t/ha), followed by BRRI dhan92 (7.67 t/ha). The lowest yield (6.47 t/ha) and shortest growing period (142 days) were both achieved by Binadhan-24. A single Boro regions BRRI dhan96 (6.67 t/ha) cultivar was identified as the most suited cultivar in Haor areas, having the shortest growth period of 136 days and the ability to combat early flash flood, a significant issue in those places.

The most productive salt-tolerant variety, BRRI dhan99, with a mean yield of 6.79 t/ha and a GD of 146 days. With the same growth period, BRRI dhan97 also performed well, with an average grain yield of 6.27 t/ha. In the saline eco-system, BRRI dhan28 produced a very poor yield. The neck blast that injured BRRI dhan28 caused a reduction in yield. The growth period of BRRI dhan67 was comparable to that of BRRI dhan28 and it could be grown with the least amount of irrigation. The highest yielder in hilly areas was BRRI dhan74 (6.69 t/ha) in HHAT, followed by Bangabandhu dhan100 (6.35 t/ha) With a grain yield of 6.19 t/ha in a hilly eco-system, BRRI dhan88 also did well. In steep locations, irrigation water was extremely scarce.

2. TECHNOLOGY DISSEMINATION

2.0 Seed Production and Dissemination Program

Scientists of ARD conducted different demonstration trials and involved in different promotional activities for rapid dissemination of BIRRI developed technologies. Among them Seed Production and Dissemination Program (SPDP) was very important activity where BIRRI developed different promising rice varieties were demonstrated at farmers' field for rapid dissemination. SPDPs were conducted in collaboration of DAE using different sources of funds such as GoB, TRB and other sources. It was an effective program to generate feedback about the advantages and disadvantages about the varieties and other technologies from extension personnel and farmers.

The major objectives were to

- Motivate farmers to cultivate the recently released varieties, produce and preserve good quality seeds of those varieties.
- Rapid dissemination of newly released rice varieties among the farmers
- Increase availability of quality seeds at farm level
- Exchange seeds from farmers to farmers

2.1. Seed production and dissemination program (SPDP) during T. Aus, 2022

Materials and locations

Seed Production and dissemination Program (SPDP) in Aus 2022 were conducted in 29 upazilas of 10 districts (Gazipur, Narshingdhi, Manikganj, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh, Sherpur, Bhola, Sylhet, B. Baria and Gaibandha) under GOB core program. Four modern rice varieties (BIRRI dhan48, BIRRI dhan82 and BIRRI dhan98 were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 3 varieties were demonstrated in 3 bighas area in a cluster in each upazila. BIRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 116 demonstrations were established in fifteen districts of Bangladesh.

Table 82. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BIRRI dhan48

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-4.0		1	12.5
	4.1-5.0		4	50.0
	5.1-5.50		3	37.7
	Total		8	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.8	5.4	4.9	0.50
Growth Duration (day)	105	116	110	4.05
Total Production (Kg)	508	727	661	66.75
Retained Seed (Kg)	20	98	41	24.44
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	130	51	40.18
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	35	16	9.09

Results of BIRRI dhan48

A total of 8 demonstrations were conducted in the different 8 upazila under 5 districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BIRRI dhan48 was 3.8 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.4 t/ha and the average yield was 4.9 t/ha with 0.50 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-4.0, 4.1-5.0 and 5.1-5.5

t/ha). The highest yield category was (4.10-5.0 t/ha), it was 50.0% locations followed by followed by yield category 5.1-5.5 t/ha, it was 37.5% locations and the lowest category was 3.0-4.0 t/ha, it was 12.5%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan48 was 105 and 116 days respectively and the average growth duration was 110 days with 4.05 standard deviation. Minimum seed production 508 Kg, maximum 727 Kg seed were produced and the average 661 Kg seed was produced per location with 66.75 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 20 Kg and 98 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 41 Kg with 24.44 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan48, minimum 5 and maximum 130 farmers and average 51 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 40.18. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan48, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in the proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 35 farmers and average 16 farmers were motivated with 9.09 standard deviation (Table 82).

Table 83. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan82

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-4.0		8	23.5
	4.1-5.0		25	73.5
	5.1-6.0		1	2.9
	Total		34	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.6	5.9	4.3	0.44
Growth Duration (day)	99	133	106	6.67
Total Production (Kg)	293	785	555	91.82
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	200	49	42.12
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	130	50	38.37
Motivated Farmer No.)	1	50	17	14.34

Results of BRRI dhan82

A total of 35 demonstrations were conducted in the different 29 upazila under 10 districts of Bangladesh. One demonstration such as Noikhai, S. Surma, Sylhet was damaged and 34 results were analysed. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan82 was 3.6 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.9 t/ha and the average yield was 4.3 t/ha with 0.44 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-4.0 t/ha, 4.1-5.0 t/ha and 5.1-6.0 t/ha). Yield category (4.1-5.0 t/ha) was found the highest 73.5% locations followed by 3.0-4.0 t/ha, it was 23.5% locations and the lowest category was 5.1-6.0 t/ha, it was 2.9%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan82 was 99 and 133 days respectively and the average growth duration was 106 days with 6.67 standard deviation. Minimum total production 293.0 Kg, maximum 785.0 Kg seed were produced and the average 555.0 Kg seed was produced per location with 91.82 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10.0 Kg and 200 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 49.0 Kg with 42.12 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan82, minimum 5 and maximum 130 farmers and the average 50 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 38.37. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan82, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 1 farmer and maximum 50 and the average 17 farmers were motivated with 14.34 standard deviation (Table 83).

Table 84. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan98

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.0-5.0		17	40.5
	5.1-6.0		21	50.0
	6.1-7.0		4	9.5
	Total		42	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	4.0	6.3	5.1	0.41
Growth Duration (day)	102	118	112	3.02
Total Production (Kg)	535	1430	791	262.98
Retained Seed (Kg)	15	1000	84	149.32
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	150	55	39.61
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	50	19	15.64

N. B: Location was 43 but damaged 1 (Noikhai, S. Surma, Sylhet)

Results of BRRI dhan98

A total of 43 demonstrations were conducted in the different 29 upazila under 10 districts of Bangladesh. One demonstration such as Noikhai, S. Surma, Sylhet was damaged and 42 results were analysed. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan98 was 4.0 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.32 t/ha and the average yield was 5.07 t/ha with 0.41 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (4.0-5.0 t/ha, 5.1-6.0 t/ha and 6.1-7.0 t/ha). Yield category (5.1-6.0 t/ha) was found the highest 50% locations followed by 4.0-5.0 t/ha, it was 40.5% locations and the lowest category was 6.1-7.0 t/ha, it was 9.5%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan98 was 102 and 118 days respectively and the average growth duration was 112 days with 3.02 standard deviation. Minimum total production 335 Kg, maximum 1430 Kg seed were produced and the average 791Kg seed was produced per location with 262.98 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 15 Kg and 1000.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 84 Kg with 149.32 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan98, minimum 10 and maximum 150 farmers and the average 55 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 39.61. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan98, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 50 and the average 19 farmers were motivated with 15.64 standard deviation (Table 84).

Results and discussion

Among the varieties, BRRI dhan98 produced the highest mean grain yield 5.0 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRI dhan48 (4.9 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean rice grain yield was 4.3 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan82 (Table). However mean rice grain yield of BRRI dhan82 was 4.3 t ha⁻¹ which was intermediate yield among the demonstrated rice varieties. The highest grain yield of BRRI dhan98 varied from 4.0-6.32 t ha⁻¹ in different locations depending on soil fertility, salinity, cropping pattern and management practices.

Table 85. Average grain yield (GY), average growth duration (GD), total production (TP), retained seeds (RS), knowledge gained farmers (KGF) and motivated farmers (MF)of SPDP during Aus, 2022 in the country.

Variety	Mean Gra. yield (t/ha)	Growth Duration (day)	Total production (kg)	Seeds retained (kg)	Knowledge sharing farmers (no.)	Motivated farmers (no.)
BRRI dhan48	4.9	110	5287	325	410	131
BRRI dhan82	4.3	106	16108	1425	1444	482
BRRI dhan98	5.0	112	23573	2655	1961	713
Total/Average	4.7	109	44968	4405	3815	1326

Total grain production of BRRi dhan48, BRRi dhan82 and BRRi dhan98 were 5287 kg, 16108 kg and 23573 kg respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRi dhan48, BRRi dhan82 and BRRi dhan98 were 325 kg, 1425 kg and 2655 kg respectively. A total of 44968 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 4405 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation. About 3815 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 1326 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year. All the varieties like BRRi dhan98, BRRi dhan48 and BRRi dhan82 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher yield. Therefore, they were motivated to cultivate those varieties (Table 85).

Table 86. Minimum, maximum, mean grain yield and standard deviation of different rice varieties cultivated during Aus 2022 in the country

Variety	Minimum Yield	Maximum Yield	Mean	Std. Deviation
BRRi dhan48	3.8	5.4	4.9	0.50
BRRi dhan82	3.6	5.9	4.3	0.44
BRRi dhan98	4.00	6.32	5.07	0.41

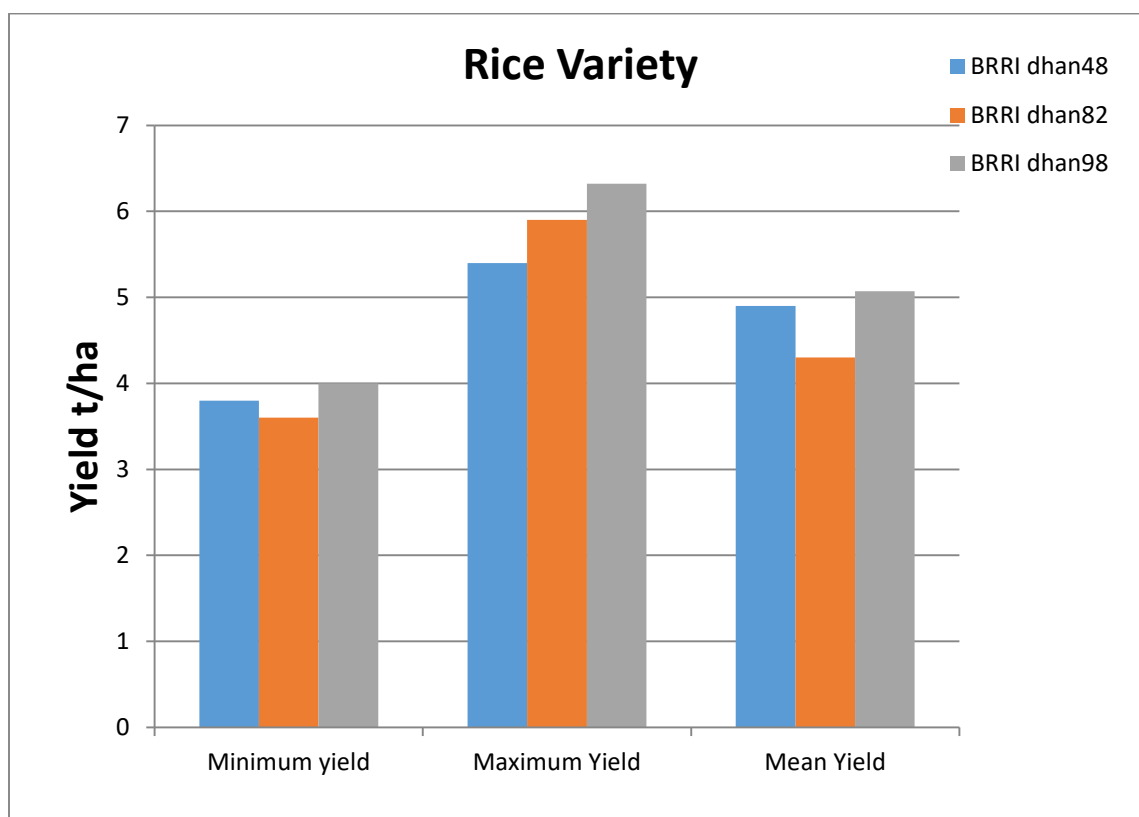


Fig.14. Showing Minimum, maximum mean grain yield of different rice varieties cultivated during Aus 2022 in the country.

Among the three rice varieties (BRRi dhan48, BRRi dhan82 and BRRi dhan98) for maximum yield, BRRi dhan98 gave the highest yield 6.32 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan82 and the yield was 5.9 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BRRi dhan48, it was 5.4 t/ha. On the contrary, in case of minimum yield BRRi dhan98 gave the highest yield 4.0 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan48 and the yield was 3.8 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BRRi dhan82, it was 3.6 t/ha (Table 86 & Fig. 14).

2.2. Special program of BRRi dhan83 rapid dissemination in Bhola district during B. Aus, 2022

Materials and locations

A special Seed Production and dissemination Program (SPDP) in B. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of Bhola district under GOB core program. One modern rice variety like BRRi

dhan83 was used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 1 variety were demonstrated in 1 bigha area in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 6 demonstrations were established in six upazilas in Bhola district of Bangladesh.

Table 87. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan83

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency		Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-3.5	2		33.3	
	3.6-4.0	3		50.0	
	4.1-5.0	1		16.7	
	Total	6		100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	
Yield (t/ha)	3.5	5.0	3.9	0.55	-
Growth Duration (day)	101	115	106	4.97	-
Total Production (Kg)	466	663	519	73.03	3114
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	100	43	33.12	258
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	70	26	23.75	156
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	35	12	12.01	72

Results of BRRI dhan83

A total of 6 demonstrations were conducted in the different 6 upazila under Bhola district of Bangladesh. The farmers of Bhola district generally cultivate B. Aus rice, so the program has been taken to justify the suitability of broadcast Aus. All the demonstrations were well established and got result successfully, 6 results were analysed. A total of 3114 kg seeds were produced from the 6 demonstrations. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan83 was 3.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.0 t/ha and the average yield was 3.9 t/ha with 0.55 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-3.5 t/ha, 3.6-4.0 t/ha and 4.1-5.0 t/ha). Yield category (3.6-4.0 t/ha) was found the highest 50% locations followed by 3.0-3.5 t/ha, it was 33.3% locations and the lowest category was 4.1-5.0 t/ha, it was 16.7%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan83 was 101 and 115 days respectively and the average growth duration was 106 days with 4.97 standard deviation. Minimum total production 466 Kg, maximum 663 Kg seed were produced and the average 519 Kg seed was produced per location with 73.03 standard deviation. Farmers 258 Kg seeds were retained after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10 Kg and 100.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 43 Kg with 33.12 standard deviation. From these demonstration 156 farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan83, minimum 10 and maximum 70 farmers and the average 26 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 23.75. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan83, 72 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 35 and the average 12 farmers were motivated with 12.01 standard deviation (Table 87).

2.3. Dissemination of broadcast Aus rice variety (BRRI dhan83) in the hill districts as Jhum cultivation during B. Aus, 2022.

Materials and locations

Seed Production and dissemination Program (SPDP) in B. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of three Hill Tract districts like Bandarban, khagrachari and Rangamati under GOB

core program. One modern rice variety BRRI dhan83 was used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 1 variety was demonstrated in 4 bigha in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 42 demonstrations were established in six upazilas of three hill districts of Bangladesh.

Generally the hilly or tribal people cultivate rice in the shifting cultivation system generally known as Jhum cultivation. The Jhumia farmers usually cultivate the indigenous or local variety, but it's yield is very poor in most of the cases bellow one ton per hectare. If the HYV rice like BRRI varieties may be replaced by the local varieties, the yield may be increased into double or triple. On this context we had taken to established 42 demonstrations in the hill tract region of Bangladesh for ensuring the food security of the hilly people.

Table 88. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan83

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequenc y	Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	2.0-3.0		12	28.6	
	3.1-4.0		22	52.4	
	4.1-5.0		8	19.0	
	Total		42	100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximu m	Mean	Std. Deviatio n	
Yield (t/ha)	2.00	5.12	3.42	0.77	-
Growth Duration (day)	101	113	105	3.11	-
Total Production (Kg)	268	685	458	102.92	19236
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	200	45	34.20	1890
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	80	22	15.78	924
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	25	9	5.17	378

Results of BRRI dhan83

A total of 42 demonstrations were conducted in the 6 upazilas under three hill districts of Bangladesh. 42 demonstrations were conducted and got 42 results were analysed. A total of 19236 kg seeds were produced from the 42 demostrations. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan83 was 2.0 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.12 t/ha and the average yield was 3.42 t/ha with 0.77 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (2.0-3.0 t/ha, 3.1-4.0 t/ha and 4.1–5.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (3.1-4.0 t/ha) was found 52.4% locations followed by 2.0-3.0 t/ha, it was 28.6% locations and the lowest yield category (4.1–5.0 t/ha) was found 19.0%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan83 was 101 and 113 days respectively and the average growth duration was 105 days with 3.11 standard deviation. Minimum total production 268 Kg, maximum 685 Kg seed were produced and the average 458 Kg seed was produced per location with 102.92 standard deviation. Farmers 1890 Kg seeds were retained after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10 Kg and 200.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 45 Kg with 34.20 standard deviation. From these demonstrations 924 farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan83, minimum 5 and maximum 80 farmers and the average 22 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 15.87. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan83, 378 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 25 and the average 9 farmers were motivated with 5.17 standard deviation (Table 88).

2.4. Seed production and dissemination program (SPDP) during T. Aus 2022 in the Valley of the Hill districts

Materials and locations

Seed Production and dissemination Program (SPDP) in T. Aus 2022 were conducted in the Valley of 6 upazilas of 3 districts (Khagrachari, Bandarban and Rangamati) under GOB core program. Three modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98 were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 3 varieties were demonstrated in 3 bighas area in a cluster in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 18 demonstrations were established in three hill districts of Bangladesh.

Table 89. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan48

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-4.0		2	33.3
	4.1-5.0		2	33.3
	5.1-5.70		2	33.3
	Total		6	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.5	5.7	4.6	0.81
Growth Duration (day)	107	112	109	2
Total Production (Kg)	462	756	615	108
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	88	31	34
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	80	33	29
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	15	6	5

Results of BRRI dhan48

A total of 6 demonstrations were conducted in the different 6 upazila under 3 hill districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan48 was 3.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.7 t/ha and the average yield was 4.6 t/ha with 0.81 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-4.0, 4.1-5.0 and 5.1-5.7 t/ha). All of the yield category (3.0-4.0, 4.1-5.0 and 5.1-5.7 t/ha) were similar number of locations, it was 33.33% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan48 was 107 and 112 days respectively and the average growth duration was 109 days with 2.00 standard deviation. Minimum seed production 462 Kg, maximum 756 Kg seed were produced and the average 615 Kg seed was produced per location with 108.0 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10 Kg and 88 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 31 Kg with 34.00 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan48, minimum 10 and maximum 80 farmers and average 33 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 29.00. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan48, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in the proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 15 farmers and average 6 farmers were motivated with 5.00 standard deviation (Table 89).

Table 90. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan82

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-3.5		1	16.7
	3.6-4.0		1	16.7
	4.1-5.5		4	66.6
	Total		6	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.5	5.2	4.3	0.66
Growth Duration (day)	101	110	104	3.0
Total Production (Kg)	468	693	579	88.0
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	100	52	35.0
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	80	34	35.0
Motivated Farmer No.)	4	12	8	4.0

Results of BRRI dhan82

A total of 6 demonstrations were conducted in the different 6 upazila under 3 hill districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan82 was 3.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.2 t/ha and the average yield was 4.3 t/ha with 0.66 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-3.5, 3.6-4.0 and 4.1-5.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.1-5.5 t/ha) was found 66.66% locations followed by the both category 3.0-3.5 and 3.6-4.0 t/ha, it was 16.7% locations. Yield category 3.0-3.5 and 3.6-4.0 t/ha were similar. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan82 was 101 and 110 days respectively and the average growth duration was 104 days with 3.00 standard deviation. Minimum seed production 468 Kg, maximum 693 Kg seed were produced and the average 579 Kg seed was produced per location with 88.0 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10 Kg and 100 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 52 Kg with 35.00 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan82, minimum 10 and maximum 80 farmers and average 34 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 35.00. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan82, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in the proper time. Minimum 4 farmers and maximum 12 farmers and average 8 farmers were motivated with 4.00 standard deviation (Table 90).

Table 91. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan98

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.0-5.0		2	33.3
	5.1-6.0		4	66.7
	Total		6	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
		Minimum	Maximum	Mean
Yield (t/ha)	4.5	5.6	5.1	0.40
Growth Duration (day)	102	113	110	4.13
Total Production (Kg)	602	746	680	53.88
Retained Seed (Kg)	40	100	72	25.63
K. gained Farmer (No.)	15	100	46	35.27
Motivated Farmer No.)	3	25	13	8.00

Results of BRRi dhan98

A total of 6 demonstrations were conducted in the different 6 upazila under 3 hill districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRi dhan98 was 4.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.6 t/ha and the average yield was 5.1 t/ha with 0.40 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (4.0-5.0 t/ha and 5.1-6.0 t/ha). Yield category (5.1-6.0 t/ha) was found the highest 66.7% locations followed by 4.0-5.0 t/ha, it was 33.3% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRi dhan98 was 102 and 113 days respectively and the average growth duration was 110 days with 4.13 standard deviation. Minimum total production 602 Kg, maximum 746 Kg seed were produced and the average 680Kg seed was produced per location with 53.88 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 40 Kg and 100.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 72 Kg with 25.63 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRi dhan98, minimum 15 and maximum 100 farmers and the average 46 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 35.27. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRi dhan98, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 25 and the average 13 farmers were motivated with 8.00 standard deviation (Table 91).

Results and discussion

Among the varieties, BRRi dhan98 produced the highest mean grain yield 5.6 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRi dhan82 (5.2 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean rice grain yield was 5.0 t ha⁻¹ in BRRi dhan48 (Table 92). However mean rice grain yield of BRRi dhan82 was 5.2 t ha⁻¹ which was intermediate yield among the demonstrated rice varieties. The highest grain yield of BRRi dhan98 varied from 4.5-5.6 t ha⁻¹ in different locations depending on soil fertility, salinity, cropping pattern and management practices.

Table 92. Average grain yield (GY), average growth duration (GD), total production (TP), retained seeds (RS), knowledge gained farmers (KGF) and motivated farmers (MF) of SPDP during Aus, 2022 in the country.

Variety	Mean Gra. yield (t/ha)	Growth Duration (day)	Total production (kg)	Seeds retained (kg)	Knowledge sharing farmers (no.)	Motivated farmers (no.)
BRRi dhan48	5.0	109	3692	188	200	30
BRRi dhan82	5.2	104	3473	310	206	45
BRRi dhan98	5.6	110	4077	430	275	78
Total/Average	5.3	108	11242	928	681	153

Total grain production of BRRi dhan48, BRRi dhan82 and BRRi dhan98 were 3692 kg, 3473 kg and 4077 kg respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRi dhan48, BRRi dhan82 and BRRi dhan98 were 188 kg, 310 kg and 430 kg respectively. A total of 11242 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 928 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation. About 681 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 153 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year. All the varieties like BRRi dhan98, BRRi dhan48 and BRRi dhan82 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher yield. Therefore, they were motivated to cultivate those varieties (Table 92).

Table 93. Minimum, maximum, mean grain yield and standard deviation of different rice varieties cultivated during T. Aus 2022 in the Valley of the hill.

Variety	Minimum Yield	Maximum Yield	Mean	Std. Deviation
BRRi dhan48	3.5	5.7	4.6	0.81
BRRi dhan82	3.5	5.2	4.3	0.66
BRRi dhan98	4.5	5.6	5.1	0.40

Among the three rice varieties (BRRI dhan48, BRRI dhan82 and BRRI dhan98) for maximum yield, BRRI dhan48 gave the highest yield 5.7 t/ha followed by BRRI dhan98 and the yield was 5.6 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BRRI dhan82, it was 5.2 t/ha. On the contrary, in case of minimum yield BRRI dhan98 gave the highest yield 4.5 t/ha followed by BRRI dhan48 and BRRI dhan82, i.e yield was similar, the yield was 3.5 t/ha (Table 93).

2.5. Special program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 rapid dissemination in the different locations of Bangladesh in T. Aus, 2022.

Materials and locations

Special dissemination Program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 in T. Aus 2022 were conducted in 21 upazilas of 8 districts (Gazipur, Gaibandha, Manikganj, Chattagram, borguna, Bhola, Pirojpur and Jhalokathi) under GOB core program. One BRRI hybrid rice variety (BRRI hybrid dhan7) was used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha was demonstrated in 1 bigha area in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 35 demonstrations were established in three hill districts of Bangladesh.

Table 94. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI hybrid dhan7

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency		Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.5-5.5		15		42.9	
	5.6-6.5		16		45.7	
	6.6-7.0		4		11.4	
	Total		35		100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics					
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev.		
Yield (t/ha)	4.6	6.9	5.6	0.65	-	
Growth Duration (day)	105	113	109	2.03	-	
Total Production (Kg)	424	1601	863	313.73	30205	
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0	0.00	-	
K. gained Farmer (No.)	6	172	58	45.48	2030	
Motivated Farmer No.)	4	52	21	13.02	735	

Results of BRRI hybrid dhan7

A total of 35 demonstrations were conducted in the different 21 upazila under 8 districts of Bangladesh. A total of 30205 Kg grains were produced from all the demonstrations. The minimum yield of BRRI hybrid dhan7 was 4.6 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.9 t/ha and the average yield was 5.6 t/ha with 0.65 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (4.5-5.5 t/ha, 5.6-6.5 t/ha and 6.6-7.0 t/ha). Yield category (5.6-6.5 t/ha) was found the highest 45.7% locations followed by 4.5-5.5 t/ha, it was 42.9% locations and the lowest yield category (6.5-7.0 t/ha), it was 11.4% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI hybrid dhan7 was 105 and 113 days respectively and the average growth duration was 109 days with 2.03 standard deviation. Minimum total production 424 Kg, maximum 1601 Kg seed were produced and the average 863 Kg seed was produced per location with 313.73 standard deviation. Farmers did not retained any seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot be used in the next season. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan7, gained knowledge about the variety, minimum 6 and maximum 172 farmers and the average 58 and a total of 2030 famerers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 45.48. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan7, 735 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 4 farmers and maximum 52 and the average 21 farmers were motivated with 13.02 standard deviation (Table 94).

2.6. Special program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 rapid dissemination in the hill tract region of Bangladesh during T. Aus, 2022.

Materials and locations

Special dissemination Program of BRRI hybrid dhan7 in T. Aus 2022 were conducted in 6 upazilas of 3 hill districts (Bandarban, Rangamati and Khagrachari) under GOB core program. One BRRI hybrid rice variety (BRRI hybrid dhan7) was used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha was demonstrated in 2 bigha area in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 35 demonstrations were established in three hill districts of Bangladesh.

Table 95. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI hybrid dhan7

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.0-5.0		4	33.3	
	5.1-6.0		2	16.7	
	6.1-7.0		6	50.0	
	Total		12	100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	
Yield (t/ha)	4.2	6.8	5.7	0.97	-
Growth Duration (day)	105	113	109	2.50	-
Total Production (Kg)	284	1284	768	273.45	9216
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0	0.00	-
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	80	41	27.27	492
Motivated Farmer No.)	3	25	13	6.69	156

Results of BRRI hybrid dhan7

A total of 12 demonstrations were conducted in the different 6 upazilas under 3 hill districts of Bangladesh. A total of 9216 Kg grains were produced from 12 demonstrations. The minimum yield of BRRI hybrid dhan7 was 4.2 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.8 t/ha and the average yield was 5.7 t/ha with 0.97 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (4.0-5.0 t/ha, 5.1-6.0 t/ha and 6.1-7.0 t/ha). Yield category (6.1-7.0 t/ha) was found the highest 50.0% locations followed by 4.0-5.0 t/ha, it was 33.3% locations and the lowest yield category (5.1-6.0 t/ha), it was 16.7% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI hybrid dhan7 was 105 and 113 days respectively and the average growth duration was 109 days with 2.50 standard deviation. Minimum total production 284 Kg, maximum 1284 Kg seed were produced and the average 768 Kg seed was produced per location with 273.45 standard deviation. Farmers did not retained any seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot be used in the next season. From these demonstrations 492 farmers gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan7, minimum 10 and maximum 80 farmers and the average 41 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 27.27. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan7, 156 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 25 and the average 13 farmers were motivated with 6.69 standard deviation (Table 95).

2.7. Seed production and dissemination program (SPDP) during Aman 2022

Materials and locations

SPDPs in Aman 2022 were conducted in 30 upazilas of 15 districts (Tangail, Gazipur, Narshingdhi, Manikganj, Kishoreganj, Netrokona, Mymensingh, Gaibandha, Sherpur, Bagerhat, Pirozpur, Chattagram, Cox's Bazar, Khagrachari, Rangamati and Bandarban) under

GOB core program. Twelve modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94, BRRI dhan95, BRRI hybrid dhan4 and BRRI hybrid dhan6) were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 4 varieties were demonstrated in 5-59 bighas area in a cluster in each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 714 demonstrations were established in fifteen districts of Bangladesh.

Table 96. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan52

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.0-5.0		2	100
	Total		2	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	4.3	4.67	4.5	0.26
Growth Duration (day)	128	136	132	5.66
Total Production (Kg)	576	625	602	4.76
Retained Seed (Kg)	30	50	40.0	14.14
K. gained Farmer (No.)	55	65	60.0	7.07
Motivated Farmer No.)	25	30	27.5	3.54

A total of 2 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan52 was 4.3 t/ha, the maximum yield was 4.67 t/ha and the average yield was 4.5 t/ha with 0.26 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into only one category (4.0-5.0 t/ha). Yield category (4.0-5.0 t/ha) was found 100% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan52 was 128 and 136 days respectively and the average growth duration was 132.0 days with 5.66 standard deviation. Minimum seed production 576 Kg, maximum 625 Kg seed were produced and the average 602 Kg seed was produced per location with 4.76 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 30 Kg and 50 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 40.0 Kg with 14.14 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan52, minimum 55 and maximum 65 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 60.0. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan52, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 25 farmers and maximum 30 farmers were motivated with 3.54 standard deviation (Table 96).

Table 97. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan71

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	2.9-4.5		19	23.5
	4.6-5.5		56	69.1
	5.6-6.0		6	7.4
	Total		81	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	2.90	6.00	4.89	0.60
Growth Duration (day)	111	126	113.57	12.14
Total Production (Kg)	480	802	659.19	68.77
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	250	76.62	56.04
K. gained Farmer (No.)	6	420	54.81	80.94
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	200	23.06	34.45

Around 81 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan71 was 2.90 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.0 t/ha and the average yield was 4.89 t/ha with 0.60 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (2.9-4.5 t/ha, 4.6–5.5 t/ha and 5.6–6.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.6–5.5 t/ha) was found 69.1% followed by yield category (2.9-4.5 t/ha) was found 23.5% and the lowest yield category (5.6–6.0 t/ha) and it was 7.4%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan71 was 111 and 126 days respectively and the average growth duration was 114 days with 12.14 standard deviation. Minimum total production 480.0 Kg, maximum 802.0 Kg seed were produced and the average 569.19 Kg seed was produced per location with 68.77 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 0.0 Kg and 250 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 76.62 Kg with 56.06 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan71, minimum 6 and maximum 420 farmers and the average 54.81 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 80.94. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan71, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 200 and the average 23.06 farmers were motivated with 34.45 standard deviation (Table 97).

Table 98. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge

gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan72

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.5-5.2		3	75
	5.3-5.7		1	25
	Total		4	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
		Minimum	Maximum	Mean
Yield (t/ha)	4.70	5.40	5.03	0.33
Growth Duration (day)	123	132	126.25	3.95
Total Production (Kg)	629	723	672.75	44.21
Retained Seed (Kg)	80	200	115.00	57.45
K. gained Farmer (No.)	14	37	22.25	10.11
Motivated Farmer No.)	7	16	10.50	4.36

Results of BRRI dhan72

Around 4 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan72 was 4.70 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.4 t/ha and the average yield was 5.03 t/ha with 0.33 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (4.5-5.2 t/ha and 5.3 – 5.7 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.5-5.2 t/ha) was found 75% and yield category (5.3 – 5.7 t/ha) was found 25.0%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan72 was 123 and 132 days respectively and the average growth duration was 126.26 days with 3.95 standard deviation. Minimum total production 629 Kg, maximum 723 Kg seed were produced and the average 672.75 Kg seed was produced per location with 44.21 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 80.0 Kg and 200.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 115.0 Kg with 57.45 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan72, minimum 14 and maximum 37 farmers and the average 22.25 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 10.11. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan72, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 7

farmers and maximum 16 and the average 11 farmers were motivated with 4.36 standard deviation (Table 98).

Table 99. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan75

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-4.5		57	49.6
	4.51-6.0		57	49.6
	6.01-7.0		1	0.87
	Total		115	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.15	6.93	4.57	0.51
Growth Duration (day)	91	130	114.22	5.49
Total Production (Kg)	422	928	613.24	69.60
Retained Seed (Kg)	15	300	56.35	44.58
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	420	58.67	70.70
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	200	20.91	30.12

Results of BRRI dhan75

Around 115 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan75 was 3.15 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.93 t/ha and the average yield was 4.57 t/ha with 0.51 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-4.5 t/ha, 4.51-6.0 t/ha and 6.01-7.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (3.0-4.5 t/ha and 4.51-6.0) was found 49.6% followed and the lowest yield category (6.01-7.0 t/ha) and it was 0.87%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan75 was 91 and 130 days respectively and the average growth duration was 114.22 days with 5.49 standard deviation. Minimum total production 422.0 Kg, maximum 928.0 Kg seed were produced and the average 613.24 Kg seed was produced per location with 69.60 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 15.0 Kg and 300 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 56.35 Kg with 44.58 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan75, minimum 10 and maximum 420 farmers and the average 58.67 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 70.70. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan75, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 200 and the average 20.91 farmers were motivated with 30.12 standard deviation (Table 99).

Table 100. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan78

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	4.0-5.0		9	47.4
	5.1-6.0		10	52.6
	Total		19	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
		Minimum	Maximum	Mean
Yield (t/ha)	4.20	5.74	5.06	0.41
Growth Duration (day)	132	140	136.11	1.82
Total Production (Kg)	562	768	676.84	55.43
Retained Seed (Kg)	40	320	98.16	65.09
K. gained Farmer (No.)	20	500	86.58	129.59
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	340	40.47	91.02

Results of BRRI dhan78

Around 19 demonstrations of BRRI dhan78 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan78 was 4.20 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.74 t/ha and the average yield was 5.06 t/ha with 0.41 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (4.0-5.0 t/ha and 5.1-6.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.0-5.0 t/ha t/ha) was found 52.6% followed by yield category (5.1-6.0 t/ha t/ha) was found 47.4%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan75 was 132 and 140 days respectively and the average growth duration was 136.11 days with 1.82 standard deviation. Minimum total production 562 Kg, maximum 768 Kg seed were produced and the average 676.84 Kg seed was produced per location with 55.43 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 40.0 Kg and 320.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 98.16 Kg with 65.09 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan75, minimum 20 and maximum 500 farmers and the average 86.58 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 129.59. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan75, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 340 and the average 40.47 farmers were motivated with 91.02 standard deviation (Table 100).

Table 101. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan80

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.0-4.0		1	2.9
	4.1-5.0		25	73.5
	5.1-6.5		8	23.5
	Total		34	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.36	6.20	4.82	0.53
Growth Duration (day)	128	137	130.32	2.21
Total Production (Kg)	450	830	643.65	71.02
Retained Seed (Kg)	20	200	51.44	32.44
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	100	27.94	26.00
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	25	12.35	6.23

Results of BRRI dhan80

Around 34 demonstrations of BRRI dhan80 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan80 was 3.36 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.20 t/ha and the average yield was 4.82 t/ha with 2.21 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.0-4.0 t/ha, 4.1-5.0 t/ha and 5.1-6.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.1-5.0 t/ha) was found 73.5% followed by yield category (5.1-6.5 t/ha) was found 23.5% and the lowest yield category (3.0-4.0 t/ha) and it was 2.9%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan80 was 128 and 137 days respectively and the average growth duration was 130.32 days with 2.21 standard deviation. Minimum total production 450 Kg, maximum 830 Kg seed were produced and the average 643.65 Kg seed was produced per location with 71.02 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 20 Kg and 200 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 51.44 Kg with 32.44 standard deviation. From those demonstrations many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan80, minimum 10 and maximum 100 farmers and the average 27.94 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 26.0. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan80, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the

next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 25 and the average 12.35 farmers were motivated with 6.23 standard deviation (Table 101).

Table 102. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan87

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	2.5-3.5		1	0.4
	3.51-4.5		15	6.3
	4.51-7.0		224	93.3
	Total		240	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	2.63	6.60	5.31	0.56
Growth Duration (day)	108	139	128.90	4.05
Total Production (Kg)	352	881	707.64	75.71
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	420	63.89	69.00
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	410	40.23	56.31
Motivated Farmer No.)	0	210	15.50	27.55

Results of BRRI dhan87

Around 240 demonstrations of BRRI dhan87 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan87 was 2.63 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.60 t/ha and the average yield was 5.31 t/ha with 0.56 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (2.5-3.5 t/ha, 3.51-4.5 t/ha and 4.51-7.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.51-7.0 t/ha) was found 93.3% followed by yield category (3.51-4.5 t/ha) was found 6.3% and the lowest yield category (2.5-3.5 t/ha) and it was only 0.4%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan87 was 108 and 139 days respectively and the average growth duration was 128.90 days with 4.05 standard deviation. Minimum total production 352 Kg, maximum 881 Kg seed were produced and the average 707.64 Kg seed was produced per location with 75.71 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 00 Kg and 420 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 63.89 Kg with 69.0 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan87, minimum 5 and maximum 410 farmers and the average 40.23.73 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 56.31. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan87, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 0 farmers and maximum 210 and the average 15.50 farmers were motivated with 27.55 standard deviation (Table 102).

Table 103. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan91.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	2.5-3.0		8	100
	Total		8	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
		Minimum	Maximum	Mean
Yield (t/ha)	2.70	2.90	2.81	0.08
Growth Duration (day)	156	159	157.38	0.92
Total Production (Kg)	360	387	375.38	11.24
Retained Seed (Kg)	100	100	100.00	0.00
K. gained Farmer (No.)	100	100	100.00	0.00
Motivated Farmer No.)	20	40	27.50	5.98

Results of BRR1 dhan91

Around 8 demonstrations of BRR1 dhan91 were conducted in the Horirampur of Manikganj district, Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRR1 dhan91 was 2.70 t/ha, the maximum yield was 2.90 t/ha and the average yield was 2.81 t/ha with 0.08 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into one category (2.5-3.0 t/ha).

This yield category (2.5-3.0 t/ha) was found 100. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRR1 dhan91 was 156 and 159 days respectively and the average growth duration was 157.38days with 0.92 standard deviation.

Minimum total production 360 Kg, maximum 387 Kg seed were produced and the average 375.38 Kg seed was produced per location with 11.24 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 100 Kg and 100 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 100 Kg with 0.00 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRR1 dhan91, minimum 100 and maximum 100 farmers and the average 100 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 0.00. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRR1 dhan91, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 20 farmers and maximum 40 and the average 27.50 farmers were motivated with 5.98 standard deviation (Table 103).

Table 104. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRR1 dhan93.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		22	81.5
	6.01-7.0		5	18.5
	Total		27	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.35	6.68	5.86	0.31
Growth Duration (day)	130	140	134.78	2.26
Total Production (Kg)	717	894	784.41	41.57
Retained Seed (Kg)	20	180	78.52	39.22
K. gained Farmer (No.)	15	100	34.26	20.88
Motivated Farmer No.)	3	30	10.56	6.76

Results of BRR1 dhan93

Around 27 demonstrations of BRR1 dhan93 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRR1 dhan93 was 5.35 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.68 t/ha and the average yield was 5.86 t/ha with 0.31 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.0-6.0 t/ha and 6.01-7.0 t/ha).

The highest yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found 81.5% followed by yield category (6.01-7.0 t/ha) was found 18.5%.

The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRR1 dhan93 was 130 and 140 days respectively and the average growth duration was 134.78 days with 2.26 standard deviation. Minimum total production 717 Kg, maximum 894 Kg seed were produced and the average 784.41 Kg seed was produced per location with 41.57 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 20 Kg and 180 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 78.52 Kg with 39.22 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRR1 dhan93, minimum 15 and maximum 100 farmers and the average 34.26 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 20.88. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRR1 dhan93, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next

year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 30 and the average 10.56 farmers were motivated with 6.76 standard deviation (Table 104).

Table 105. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan94

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		2	100
	Total		2	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.40	5.60	5.50	0.14
Growth Duration (day)	134	137	135.50	2.12
Total Production (Kg)	723	750	736.50	19.09
Retained Seed (Kg)	200	200	200.00	0.00
K. gained Farmer (No.)	30	50	40.00	14.14
Motivated Farmer No.)	11	15	13.00	2.83

Results of BRRI dhan94

Around 2 demonstrations of BRRI dhan94 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan94 was 5.40 t/ha, the maximum yield was 5.60 t/ha and the average yield was 5.50 t/ha with 0.14 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into one category (5.0-6.0 t/ha).

The yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found 100%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan94 was 134 and 137 days respectively and the average growth duration was 135.50 days with 2.26 standard deviation. Minimum total production 723 Kg, maximum 750 Kg seed were produced and the average 736.50 Kg seed was produced per location with 19.09 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 200 Kg and 200 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 200 Kg with 0.00 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan94, minimum 30 and maximum 50 farmers and the average 40 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 14.14. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan94, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 11 farmers and maximum 15 and the average 13.0 farmers were motivated with 2.83 standard deviation (Table 105).

Table 106. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan95

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	3.5-4.5		5	4.2
	4.51-5.5		78	65.0
	5.51-6.5		37	30.8
	Total		120	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	3.50	6.25	5.28	0.49
Growth Duration (day)	101	155	127.33	6.07
Total Production (Kg)	469	837	705.87	66.25
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	420	85.91	98.45
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	240	51.27	52.22
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	100	19.66	21.16

Results of BRRI dhan95

Around 120 demonstrations of BRRI dhan95 were conducted in the different locations of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan95 was 3.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.25 t/ha and the average yield was 5.28 t/ha with 0.49 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (3.5-4.5 t/ha, 4.51-5.5 t/ha and 5.51-6.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (4.51-5.5 t/ha) was found 65.0% followed by yield category (5.51-6.5 t/ha) was found 30.8% and the lowest yield category (3.5-4.5 t/ha) and it was 4.2%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan95 was 101 and 155 days respectively and the average growth duration was 127.33 days with 6.07 standard deviation. Minimum total production 469 Kg, maximum 837 Kg seed were produced and the average 705.87 Kg seed was produced per location with 66.25 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 0.00 Kg and 420 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 85.91 Kg with 98.45 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan95, minimum 10 and maximum 240 farmers and the average 51.27 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 52.22. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan95, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 100 and the average 19.66 farmers were motivated with 21.16 standard deviation (Table 106).

Results and discussion

Among the varieties, BRRI dhan93 produced the highest mean grain yield 6.0 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRI dhan94 (5.5 t ha⁻¹) and BRRI dhan72 (5.3 t ha⁻¹). The lowest mean rice grain yield was 4.1 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan75 followed by 4.3 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan71 and BRRI dhan78 respectively (Table 111). However mean rice grain yield of BRRI dhan95 was 5.3 t ha⁻¹ which was intermediate among the demonstrated rice varieties. The highest grain yield of BRRI dhan93 varied from 3.15-6.93 t ha⁻¹ in different locations depending on soil fertility, salinity, cropping pattern and management practices (Table 111) Total grain production of BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94, BRRI dhan95, BRRI hybrid dhan4 and BRRI hybrid dhan6 were 1204 kg, 53394 kg, 1419 kg, 1092 kg, 1138 kg, 47786 kg, 94051 kg, 169833 kg, 21179 kg, 1473 kg, 84704 kg, and respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRI dhan52, BRRI dhan71, BRRI dhan72, BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan78, BRRI dhan80, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan93, BRRI dhan94, BRRI dhan95 were 80 kg, 6206 kg, 460 kg, 6480 kg, 530 kg, 4545 kg, 8559 kg, 15334 kg, 2120 kg, 400 kg and 10309 kg respectively. A total of 477273 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 55023 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation. About 32713 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 13569 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year. BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan87 and BRRI dhan93 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher yield. BRRI dhan95 was also preferred by the farmers for its higher paddy production, good taste, quality grain and shorter life cycle that create opportunity to timely establishment of Rabi crops. Therefore, they were motivated to cultivate this variety (Table 107)

Table 107. Average grain yield (GY), average growth duration (GD), total production (TP), retained seeds (RS), knowledge gained farmers (KGF) and motivated farmers (MF) of SPDP during Aman, 2022 in the country.

Variety	Mean Gra. yield (t/ha)	Growth Duration (day)	Total production (kg)	Seeds retained (kg)	Knowledge sharing farmers (no.)	Motivated farmers (no.)
BRRI dhan52	4.5	132	656	80	120	55

BRRi dhan71	4.27	116	53394	6206	4440	1868
BRRi dhan72	5.3	127.5	1419	460	89	42
BRRi dhan75	4.08	117	1092	6480	6747	2405
BRRi dhan78	4.25	138.5	1138	530	900	590
BRRi dhan79	4.6	138.1	47786	4545	1055	712
BRRi dhan80	4.7	134.6	94051	8559	2550	1506
BRRi dhan87	5.3	128.9	169833	15334	9655	3721
BRRi dhan93	6	135	21179	2120	925	285
BRRi dhan94	5.5	135.5	1473	400	80	26
BRRi dhan95	5.28	134	84704	10309	6152	2359
BRRi hybrid dhan4	5.8	119	8427	0	956	533
BRRi hybrid dhan6	6.0	120	5496	0	569	341
Total/Average	5.0	129	489992	55023	34238	14443

Table 108. Minimum, maximum, mean grain yield and standard deviation of different rice varieties cultivated during Aman 2022 in the country.

Variety	Minimum Yield	Maximum Yield	Mean	Std. Deviation
BRRi dhan52	4.3	4.67	4.5	0.26
BRRi dhan71	2.90	6.00	4.89	0.60
BRRi dhan72	4.70	5.40	5.03	0.33
BRRi dhan75	3.15	6.93	4.57	0.51
BRRi dhan78	4.20	5.74	5.06	0.41
BRRi dhan80	3.36	6.20	4.82	0.53
BRRi dhan87	2.63	6.60	5.31	0.56
BRRi dhan93	5.35	6.68	5.86	0.31
BRRi dhan94	5.40	5.60	5.50	0.14
BRRi dhan95	3.50	6.25	5.28	0.49
BRRi hybrid dhan4	5.10	6.60	5.77	0.46
BRRi hybrid dhan6	5.80	7.00	6.03	0.44

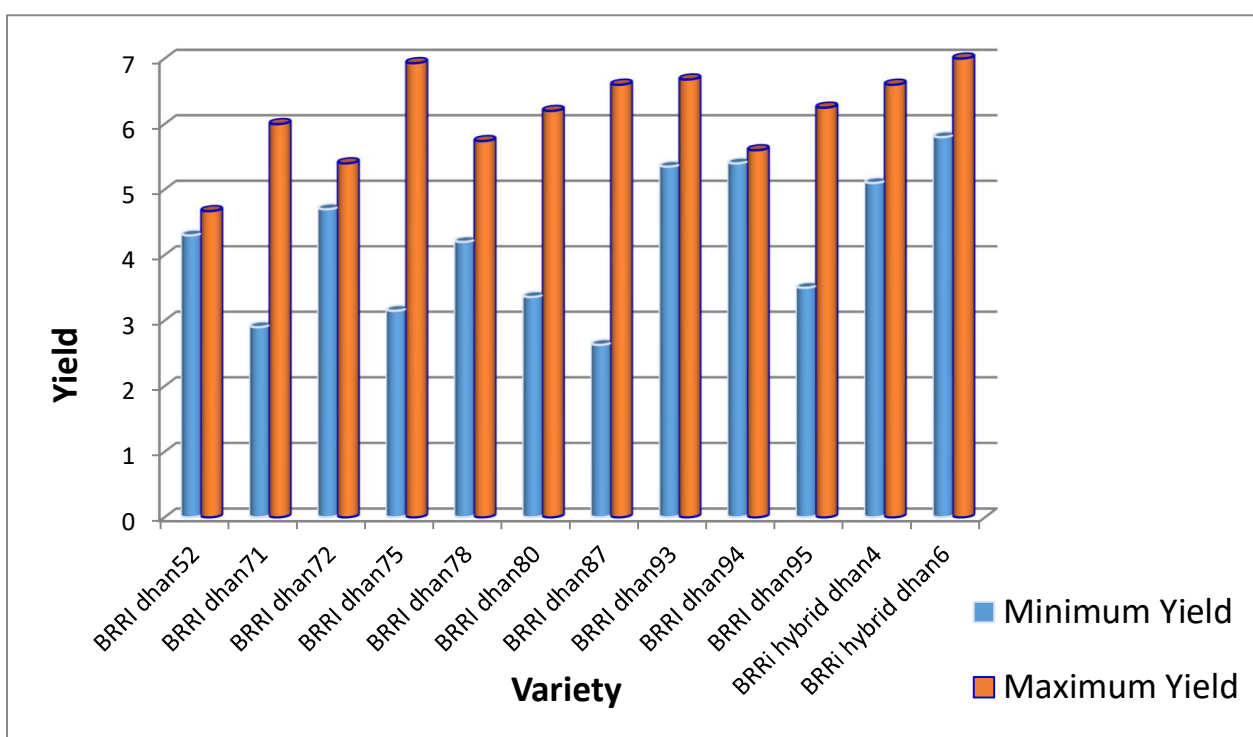


Figure 15. showing Minimum, maximum mean grain yield of different rice varieties cultivated during Aman 2022 in the country

Among the twelve rice varieties (BRRi dhan52, BRRi dhan71, BRRi dhan72, BRRi dhan75, BRRi dhan78, BRRi dhan80, BRRi dhan87, BRRi dhan93, BRRi dhan94, BRRi dhan95, BRRi hybrid dhan4 and BRRi hybrid dhan6) for maximum yield, BRRi hybrid dhan6 gave the highest yield 7.0 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan93 and the yield was 68 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BRRi dhan52, it was 4.67 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan72 and it was 5.40 t/ha. On the contrary, in case of minimum yield BRRi dhan94 gave the highest yield 5.40 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan93 and the yield was 5.35 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BRRi dhan87, it was 2.63 t/ha followed by BRRi dhan71 and it was 2.90 t/ha (Table 108 & Fig. 15)

2.8. Special dissemination program on BRRi hybrid dhan4 and BRRi hybrid dhan6 in the different locations of Bangladesh in Aman, 2022

Materials and locations

Special dissemination program on BRRi hybrid dhan4 and BRRi hybrid dhan6 in Aman 2022 were conducted in 18 upazilas of 9 districts (Tangail, Gazipur, Narshingdhi, Manikganj, Kishoreganj, Netrokona, Mymensingh, Gaibandha, Sherpur, Bagerhat, Pirozpur, Chattagram, Cox's Bazar, Khagrachari, Rangamati and Bandarban) under GOB core program. Two BRRi hybrid dhan (BRRi hybrid dhan4 and BRRi hybrid dhan6) were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 2 varieties were demonstrated in 2 bighas area in each upazila. BRRi provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 18 demonstrations were established in 9 districts of Bangladesh.

Table 109. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRi hybrid dhan4

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency		Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0	8		72.7	
	6.01-7.0	3		27.3	
	Total	11		100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev	
Yield (t/ha)	5.10	6.60	5.77	0.46	-
Growth Duration (day)	112	129	118.55	4.82	-
Total Production (Kg)	680	881	697.91	213.02	7678
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0.00	0.00	-
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	300	68.73	103.12	759
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	140	34.82	49.83	385

Results of BRRi hybrid dhan4

Around 11 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations (Upazilas) of 5 districts. The minimum yield of BRRi hybrid dhan4 was 5.10 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.60 t/ha and the average yield was 5.77 t/ha with 0.469 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.0-6.0 t/ha and 6.01-7.0). Yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found 72.7% locations followed by yield category (6.01-7.0 t/ha) was found 27.3%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRi hybrid dhan4 was 112 and 129 days respectively and the average growth duration was 118.55 days with 4.82 standard deviation. Minimum total seed production 680 Kg, maximum 881 Kg seed were produced and the average 697.91 Kg seed was produced per location with 213.02 standard deviation. A total of 7678 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. Farmers did not retained seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot grow for the next time for crop cultivation. From these demonstrations 759 farmers gained knowledge about BRRi hybrid

dhan4, minimum 10 and maximum 300 and the average 68.73 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 103.12. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan4, 385 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 140 and the average 34.82 farmers were motivated with 49.83 standard deviation (Table 109).

Table 110. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI hybrid dhan6

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		3	42.9	
	6.01-7.0		4	57.1	
	Total		7	100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev	
Yield (t/ha)	5.80	7.00	6.03	0.44	-
Growth Duration (day)	115	129	119.7	4.75	-
Total Production (Kg)	700	935	785.1	74.36	5495
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0.00	0.00	-
K. gained Farmer (No.)	20	420	81.29	149.51	567
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	250	48.71	88.94	343

Results of BRRI hybrid dhan6

Around 7 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations (Upazilas) of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI hybrid dhan6 was 5.80 t/ha, the maximum yield was 7.0 t/ha and the average yield was 6.03 t/ha with 0.44 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.0-6.0 t/ha and 6.01-7.0). Yield category (6.01-7.0 t/ha) was found 57.1% locations followed by yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found 42.9%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI hybrid dhan6 was 115 and 129 days respectively and the average growth duration was 119.71 days with 4.75 standard deviation. Minimum total grain production 700 kg, maximum 935 kg grain were produced and the average 785.14 kg seed was produced per location with 74.36 standard deviation. A total of 5495 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. Farmers did not retained seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot grow for the next time for crop cultivation. From these demonstrations 567 farmers gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan6, minimum 20 and maximum 420 and the average 81.29 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 149.51. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan6, 343 farmers were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 250 and the average 48.71 farmers were motivated with 88.943 standard deviation (Table 110).

2.9. Seed Production and Dissemination Program (SPDP) during T. Aman, 2022 under TRB

Materials and Locations : A total of 78 SPDPs were conducted in 20 pazila of 12 districts (Gazipur, Netrakona, Mymensingh, Tangail, Kishoreganj, Chuadanga, Jhenidah, Khulna, Bagura, Gaibandha, Narsingdhi and Bandarban) under TRB project during T. Aman 2022. BRRI dhan75, BRRI dhan87, BRRI dhan94 and BRRI dhan95 were demonstrated in the SPDPs. Area of each SPDP was 3 bigha and total area of SPDP was 78bigha. The program was executed in collaboration of DAE. TRB-BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while rests of the managements were done by the farmers.

Results and discussion: Irrespective of varieties and locations, BRRI dhan87 gave the highest mean grain yield (5.66 t ha⁻¹) followed by BRRI dhan94 (5.56 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean grain yield was found in BRRI dhan95 5.07 t ha⁻¹ (Table 115). Across the locations, BRRI dhan87 produced the highest grain yield (6.62 t ha⁻¹) at Sadar, Netrakona while the lowest yield (4.10 t

ha⁻¹) obtained in BRRi dhan95 at Lama, Bandarban. Total production of all the varieties was 56538 kg from which 9120kg was retained as seeds (16% of total production) by the farmers for next season cultivation. About 4825 farmers gained awareness and knowledge about the varieties and 970 farmers (20% of total farmers) were motivated to cultivate the varieties. Mean growth duration BRRi dhan75, BRRi dhan87, BRRi dhan94 and BRRi dhan95 was 110, 128, 136 and 127 days respectively. BRRi dhan87 produced higher grain yield in most of the tested locations. Farmers are very happy having BRRi dhan87 through getting higher grain and straw yield (Table 111).

Table 111. Results of SPDP during T.Aman 2022 under TRB project

District	Upazila	Growth Duration (day)	Grain Yield (t/ha)	Area bigha	Total production (kg)	Seeds retained (kg)	KGF (no.)	Motivated Farmers (no.)
BRRi dhan 75								
Mymensingh	Nandail	110	5.45	3	2269	450	100	10
Mean/Total		110	5.45	3	2269	450	100	10
BRRi dhan 87								
Mymensingh	Gafargaon	127	5.08	1	680	100	85	10
	Fulbaria	129	5.39	1	722	80	90	15
Netrakona	Sadar	131	6.62	1	825	350	100	25
	Purbadhala	126	5.56	1	744	100	120	0
Gazipur	Sadar	125	6.16	1	892	700	130	20
	Kapasasia	129	4.78	2	1280	250	120	40
Tangail	Sakhipur	123	6.54	1	888	600	100	60
Norsigdhi	Monohordi	123	5.30	1	887	200	110	25
	Polash	127	6.32	1	846	100	100	20
Kishoreganj	Sadar	130	6.30	1	843	300	150	30
Khulna	Dumuria	125	6.20	1	830	100	80	10
Jhenidah	Sadar	133	5.40	1	723	50	50	0
Chuadanga	Sadar	132	5.30	2	1419	200	100	5
	Damurhuda	127	5.48	2	1468	500	100	20
Bagura	Shibganj	125	5.42	1	726	300	50	15
Gaibandha	Polashbari	127	5.48	3	2201	800	200	80
	Gabindaganj	127	5.35	2	1431	200	100	20
	Saghata	130	5.22	1	699	150	60	10
Bandarban	Lama	127	4.10	1	549	100	100	25
Mean/Total		128	5.66	25	18653	5180	1945	435
BRRi dhan 94								
Mymensingh	Gafargaon	135	5.62	1	752	50	120	0
	Fulbaria	132	5.78	1	774	50	100	0
Netrakona	Sadar	135	5.45	1	730	50	110	0
	Purbadhala	135	5.33	1	714	50	100	0
Gazipur	Sadar	133	5.76	1	771	150	150	20
	Kapasasia	135	5.78	2	1548	200	80	40
Tangail	Sakhipur	135	5.86	1	784	100	200	50
Norsigdhi	Monohordi	137	5.76	1	771	200	100	15
	Polash	135	5.65	1	756	100	100	20
Kishoreganj	Sadar	135	5.46	1	731	30	50	0
Khulna	Dumuria	136	5.63	1	754	20	50	0
Jhenidah	Sadar	135	4.35	1	582	100	100	0
Chuadanga	Sadar	138	5.77	2	1545	200	60	5
	Damurhuda	135	5.92	2	1585	50	100	20
Bagura	Shibganj	139	5.86	1	784	50	60	15
Gaibandha	Polashbari	139	5.68	3	2279	300	200	50
	Gabindaganj	139	5.88	2	1576	100	50	20
	Saghata	139	5.41	1	725	50	50	10
Bandarban	Lama	138	4.78	1	640	40	50	0
Mean/Total		136	5.56	25	18800	1890	1250	265
BRRi dhan 95								
Mymensingh	Gafargaon	128	5.44	1	728	40	30	0
	Fulbaria	127	4.52	1	605	50	100	0

Netrakona	Sadar	128	5.35	1	716	60	60	0
	Purbadhala	128	5.08	1	680	50	100	0
Gazipur	Sadar	130	5.22	1	699	150	150	20
	Kapasia	131	5.54	2	1483	120	80	45
Tangail	Sakhipur	129	4.39	1	588	100	150	40
Norsigdhi	Monohordi	123	5.22	1	699	150	60	25
	Polash	123	5.80	1	776	100	100	20
Kishoreganj	Sadar	127	5.07	1	679	30	50	0
Khulna	Dumuria	129	5.4	1	723	20	50	10
Jhenidah	Sadar	131	5.6	1	750	100	70	15
Chuadanga	Sadar	125	4.9	2	1300	200	60	5
	Damurhuda	123	4.6	2	1232	50	80	20
Bagura	Shibganj	122	4.6	1	616	50	60	15
Gaibandha	Polashbari	124	4.5	3	1807	160	200	15
	Gabindaganj	130	5.22	2	1398	100	50	20
	Saghata	124	5.32	1	712	40	30	10
Bandarban	Lama	126	4.67	1	625	30	50	0
Mean/Total		127	5.07	25	16816	1600	1530	260
Grand Total				78	56538	9120	4825	970

2.10 Seed production and dissemination program (SPDP) during Boro 2023.

Materials and locations

SPDPs in Boro 2022-23 were conducted in 28 upazilas of 14 districts (Tangail, Gazipur, Narshingdhi, Manikganj, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh, Netrokona, Sherpur, Bagerhat, Gaibandha, Khagrachari, Bandarban, Rangamati and Cox's Bazar) under GOB core program. Ten modern rice varieties (BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81, BRRI dhan84, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89, BRRI dhan92, BRRI dhan96, BRRI dhan99 and Bongabondhu dhan100) were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha/block. of each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 736 demonstrations were established in fourteen districts of Bangladesh.

Table 112. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, Knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan67

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		13	44.8
	6.1-7.0		11	37.9
	7.1-8.0		5	17.2
	Total		29	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.3	7.9	6.17	0.66
Growth Duration (day)	135	157	144	4.71
Total Production (Kg)	710	1058	824	88.35
Retained Seed (Kg)	5	500	122	124.25
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	150	53	44.70
Motivated Farmer No.)	3	50	16	13.78

Around 29 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 8 upazila under 4 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan67 was 5.3 t/ha, the maximum yield was 7.9 t/ha and the average yield was 6.17 t/ha with 0.66 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.0-6.0 t/ha, 6.1 – 7.0 t/ha and 7.1 – 8.0 t/ha). Yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found the highest 44.8% locations followed by yield category (6.1 – 7.0 t/ha) was found 37.9% and the lowest yield category (7.1 – 8.0 t/ha) was found 17.2% locations. The minimum and maximum growth

duration of BRRI dhan67 was 135 and 157 days respectively and the average growth duration was 144 days with 4.71 standard deviation. Minimum seed production 710 Kg, maximum 1058 Kg seed were produced and the average 824 Kg seed was produced per location with 88.35 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 5 Kg and 500 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 122 Kg with 124.25 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan67, minimum 10 and maximum 150 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 44.70. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan67, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 50 farmers were motivated with 13.78 standard deviation (Table 112).

Table 113. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan74.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
	5.0-6.0		3	30.0
	6.1-7.0		7	70.0
	Total		10	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.60	6.90	6.31	0.52
Growth Duration (day)	140	150	145.2	3.55
Total Production (Kg)	748	924	843.5	70.25
Retained Seed (Kg)	50	150	80.0	33.00
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	75	30.5	22.59
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	32	11.1	8.89

Around 10 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 4 upazila under 4 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan74 was 5.6 t/ha, the maximum yield was 6.9 t/ha and the average yield was 6.3 t/ha with 0.52 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.0-6.0 t/ha and 6.1 – 7.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (6.1 – 7.0 t/ha) was found 70.0% and the lowest yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) and it was 30.0%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan74 was 140 and 150 days respectively and the average growth duration was 145 days with 3.35 standard deviation. Minimum total production 748 Kg, maximum 924 Kg seed were produced and the average 844 Kg seed was produced per location with 70.25 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 50 Kg and 150 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 80.0 Kg with 33.0 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan74, minimum 10 and maximum 75 farmers and the average 30.5 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 22.59. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan74, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 32 and the average 11.1 farmers were motivated with 8.89 standard deviation (Table 113).

Table 114. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan81.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.5-6.5		10	90.9
	6.6-7.5		0	
	7.6-9.0		1	9.1
	Total		11	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.5	8.8	6.3	0.87
Growth Duration (day)	142	145	143.27	0.79
Total Production (Kg)	732	1176	839.09	116.57
Retained Seed (Kg)	30	120	66.36	28.73
K. gained Farmer (No.)	15	185	91.00	60.20
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	50	31.55	21.34

Around 11 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 2 upazila under 2 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan81 was 5.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 8.8 t/ha and the average yield was 6.3 t/ha with 0.87 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.5-6.5 t/ha, 6.6 – 7.5 t/ha and 7.6-9.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (5.5-6.5 t/ha t/ha) was found 90.9% followed by yield category (7.6-9.0 t/ha) was found 9.1%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan81 was 142 and 145 days respectively and the average growth duration was 143.27 days with 0.79 standard deviation. Minimum total production 732 Kg, maximum 1176 Kg seed were produced and the average 839.09 Kg seed was produced per location with 116.57 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 30.0 Kg and 120.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 66.36 Kg with 28.73 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan81, minimum 15 and maximum 185 farmers and the average 91.0 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 60.20. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan81, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 50 and the average 31.55 farmers were motivated with 21.34 standard deviation (Table 114).

Table 115. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan84.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.5-6.5		8	44.4
	6.6-7.5		4	22.2
	7.6-8.5		6	33.3
	Total		18	100
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.5	8.2	6.8	0.87
Growth Duration (day)	140	154	145.1	3.68
Total Production (Kg)	736	1100	911.5	115.18
Retained Seed (Kg)	40	150	85.8	36.39
K. gained Farmer (No.)	15	137	64.3	41.62
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	25	14.5	6.15

Around 18 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 6 upazila under 5 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan84 was 5.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 8.2 t/ha and the average yield was 6.8 t/ha with 0.87 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.5-6.5 t/ha, 6.6-7.5 t/ha and 7.6-8.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (5.5-6.5 t/ha t/ha) was found 44.4% followed by yield category (7.6-8.5 t/ha) was found 33.3% and the lowest yield category was (6.6-7.5 t/ha), it was 22.2% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan84 was 140 and 154 days respectively and the average growth duration was 145.1 days with 3.68 standard deviation. Minimum total production 736 Kg, maximum 1100 Kg seed were produced and the average 911.5 Kg seed was produced per location with 115.18 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 40.0 Kg and 150.0 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 85.8 Kg with 36.39 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan84, minimum 15 and maximum 137 farmers and the average 64.3 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 41.62. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan84, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 25 and the average 14.5 farmers were motivated with 6.15 standard deviation (Table 115).

Table 116. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, Knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan88

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		5	9.3
	6.1-7.0		43	79.6
	7.1-8.0		6	11.1
	Total		54	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum Y	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.1	7.7	6.6	0.49
Growth Duration (day)	136	164	144	5.18
Total Production (Kg)	685	1025	880	64.84
Retained Seed (Kg)	25	250	93	62.00
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	178	53	42.39
Motivated Farmer No.)	4	50	15	9.69

Around 54 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 14 upazila under 7 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan88 was 5.1 t/ha, the maximum yield was 7.7 t/ha and the average yield was 6.6 t/ha with 0.497 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.0-6.0 t/ha, 6.1-7.0 t/ha and 7.1-8.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (6.1-7.0 t/ha) was found 79.6% followed by yield category (7.1-8.0 t/ha) was found 11.1% and the lowest yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) and it was 9.3%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan88 was 136 and 164 days respectively and the average growth duration was 144 days with 5.18 standard deviation. Minimum total production 685 Kg, maximum 1025 Kg seed were produced and the average 880 Kg seed was produced per location with 64.84 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 25 Kg and 250 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 93 Kg with 62.00 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan88, minimum 5 and maximum 178 farmers and the average 53 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 42.39. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan88, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next

year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 4 farmers and maximum 50 and the average 15 farmers were motivated with 9.69 standard deviation (Table 116).

Table 117. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan89.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.5		37	13.8
	6.6-8.0		173	64.6
	8.1-10.0		58	21.6
	Total		268	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.10	9.90	7.5	0.83
Growth Duration (day)	143	160	155	3.35
Total Production (Kg)	683	1331	998	110.04
Retained Seed (Kg)	15	1000	149	138.26
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	200	57	37.28
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	200	22	18.41

Around 268 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 28 upazila under 14 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan89 was 5.1 t/ha, the maximum yield was 9.9 t/ha and the average yield was 7.5 t/ha with 0.83 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.0-6.0 t/ha, 6.6-8.0 t/ha and 8.1-10.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (6.6-8.0 t/ha) was found 64.6% followed by yield category (8.1-10.0 t/ha) was found 21.6% and the lowest yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) and it was 13.8% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan89 was 143 and 160 days respectively and the average growth duration was 155 days with 3.35 standard deviation. Minimum total production 683 Kg, maximum 1331 Kg seed were produced and the average 998 Kg seed was produced per location with 110.04 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 15 Kg and 1000 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 149 Kg with 138.26 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan89, minimum 5 and maximum 200 farmers and the average 57 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 37.28. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan89, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 200 and the average 22 farmers were motivated with 18.41 standard deviation (Table 117).

Table 118. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan92.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.5-7.0		39	13.1
	7.1-9.0		249	83.6
	9.1-10.5		10	3.4
	Total		298	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.7	10.3	7.7	0.70
Growth Duration (day)	138	165	158	3.97
Total Production (Kg)	763	1378	1031	92.67
Retained Seed (Kg)	10	900	145	103.75
K. gained Farmer (No.)	5	198	55	39.56
Motivated Farmer No.)	1	65	21	13.83

Around 298 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 28 upazila under 14 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan92 was 5.7 t/ha, the maximum yield was 10.3 t/ha and the average yield was 7.7 t/ha with 0.70 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.5-7.0 t/ha, 7.1-9.0 t/ha and 9.1-10.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (7.1-9.0 t/ha) was found 83.6% followed by yield category (5.5-7.0 t/ha) was found 13.1% and the lowest yield category (9.1-10.5 t/ha) and it was 3.4 % locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan92 was 138 and 165 days respectively and the average growth duration was 158 days with 3.97 standard deviation. Minimum total production 763 Kg, maximum 1378 Kg seed were produced and the average 1031 Kg seed was produced per location with 92.67 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 10 Kg and 900 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 145 Kg with 103.75 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan92, minimum 5 and maximum 198 farmers and the average 55 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 39.56. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan92, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 1 farmer and maximum 65 and the average 21 farmers were motivated with 13.83 standard deviation (Table 118).

Table 119. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan96.

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)		Frequency	Percent (%)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0		11	21.6
	6.1-7.0		28	54.9
	7.1-8.0		12	23.5
	Total		51	100.0
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.4	8.0	6.6	0.60
Growth Duration (day)	140	156	145	4.05
Total Production (Kg)	723	1066	880	79.71
Retained Seed (Kg)	20	360	101	82.65
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	150	54	34.08
Motivated Farmer No.)	2	40	15	9.60

Around 51 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 10 upazila under 8 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan96 was 5.4 t/ha, the maximum yield was 8.02 t/ha and the average yield was 6.6 t/ha with 0.60 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.0-6.0 t/ha, 6.1-7.0 t/ha and 7.1-8.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (6.1-7.0 t/ha) was found 54.9% followed by yield category (7.1-8.0 t/ha) was found 23.5% and the lowest yield category (5.0-6.0t/ha) and it was 21.6%. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan96 was 140 and 156 days respectively and the average growth duration was 145 days with 4.05 standard deviation. Minimum total production 723 Kg, maximum 1066 Kg seed were produced and the average 880 Kg seed was produced per location with 79.71 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 20 Kg and 360 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 101 Kg with 82.65 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan96, minimum 10 and maximum 150 farmers and the average 54 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 34.08. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan96, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate

this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 2 farmers and maximum 40 and the average 15 farmers were motivated with 9.60 standard deviation (Table 119).

Table 120. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI dhan99

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency	Percent (%)	
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.0-6.0	9	52.9	
	6.1-7.0	5	29.4	
	7.1-8.0	3	17.6	
	Total	17	100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
Yield (t/ha)	5.3	8.0	6.3	0.81
Growth Duration (day)	137	157	149	7.95
Total Production (Kg)	711	1068	836	106.64
Retained Seed (Kg)	50	200	126	49.67
K. gained Farmer (No.)	24	57	39	10.60
Motivated Farmer(No.)	3	17	7	3.29

Around 17 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 2 upazila under 2 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI dhan99 was 5.3 t/ha, the maximum yield was 8.0 t/ha and the average yield was 6.3 t/ha with 0.81 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into two category (5.0-6.0 t/ha, 6.1-7.0 t/ha and 7.1-8.0 t/ha). The highest yield category (5.0-6.0 t/ha) was found 52.9% followed by yield category (6.1-7.0 t/ha), it was 29.4% and the lowest yield category (7.1-8.0 t/ha) and it was 17.6% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI dhan99 was 137 and 157 days respectively and the average growth duration was 149 days with 7.95 standard deviation. Minimum total production 711 Kg, maximum 1068 Kg seed were produced and the average 836 Kg seed was produced per location with 106.64 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 50 Kg and 200 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 126 Kg with 49.67 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI dhan99, minimum 24 and maximum 57 farmers and the average 39 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 10.60. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI dhan97, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 17 and the average 7 farmers were motivated with 2.39 standard deviation (Table 120).

Table 121. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of Bangabondhu dhan100

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency	Percent (%)	
Grain Yield (t/ha)	5.5-6.5	23	35.4	
	6.6-7.5	36	55.4	
	7.6-8.5	6	9.2	
	Total	65	100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics			
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation

Yield (t/ha)	5.5	8.5	6.8	0.61
Growth Duration (day)	140	159	146	3.60
Total Production (Kg)	687	1138	908	83.67
Retained Seed (Kg)	20	320	132	82.81
K. gained Farmer (No.)	10	150	41	22.89
Motivated Farmer No.)	3	30	13	7.13

Around 65 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 20 upazila under 10 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of Bangabondhu dhan100 was 5.5 t/ha, the maximum yield was 8.5 t/ha and the average yield was 6.8 t/ha with 0.61 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (5.5-6.5 t/ha, 6.6-7.5 t/ha and 7.6-8.5 t/ha). The highest yield category (6.6-7.5 t/ha) was found 55.4% followed by yield category (5.5-6.5 t/ha) was found 35.4% and the lowest yield category (7.6-8.5 t/ha) and it was 9.2 % locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of Bangabondhu dhan100 was 140 and 159 days respectively and the average growth duration was 146 days with 3.60 standard deviation. Minimum total production 687 Kg, maximum 1138 Kg seed were produced and the average 908 Kg seed was produced per location with 83.67 standard deviation. Farmers retained seed after harvesting, minimum and maximum 20 Kg and 320 Kg seed retained by the farmers respectively, the average retained seed was 132 Kg with 82.81 standard deviation. From this demonstration many of the farmers gained knowledge about Bangabondhu dhan100, minimum 10 and maximum 150 farmers and the average 41 farmers gained were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 22.89. The farmers who gained knowledge about Bangabondhu dhan100, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 30 and the average 13 farmers were motivated with 7.13 standard deviation (Table 121).

Results and discussion

Among the varieties, BRRI dhan92 produced the highest mean grain yield 7.7 t ha⁻¹ followed by BRRI dhan89 (7.5 t ha⁻¹) and the lowest mean rice grain yield was 6.2 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan67 followed by 6.3 t ha⁻¹ in BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81 and BRRI dhan99 respectively (Table). Yield of the highest grain BRRI dhan92 varied from 5.7-10.3 t ha⁻¹ in different locations depending on soil fertility, salinity, cropping pattern and management practices (Table ...). Total grain production of BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81, BRRI dhan84, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89, BRRI dhan92, BRRI dhan96, BRRI dhan99 and Bangabondhu dhan100 were 30315 kg, 23885 kg, 8435 kg, 9230 kg, 16407 kg, 47497 kg, 267397 kg, 307324 kg, 44886 kg, 14208 Kg and 58996 kg respectively. The retained seeds by the participant and associated farmers of BRRI dhan67, BRRI dhan74, BRRI dhan81, BRRI dhan84, BRRI dhan88, BRRI dhan89, BRRI dhan92, BRRI dhan96, BRRI dhan99 and Bangabondhu dhan100 were 3545 kg, 800 kg, 730 kg, 1545 kg, 5035 kg, 40037 kg, 43270 kg, 5160 kg, 2145 kg and 8550 kg respectively. A total of 798265 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots and 110817 kg quality seeds were retained by the farmers as seed for the next year cultivation. About 43903 farmers acquired awareness and knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 15889 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate these varieties in the next year. BRRI dhan92 and BRRI dhan89 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher yield. Bangabondhu dhan100 and BRRI dhan96 was also preferred by the farmers for its higher paddy production, good taste, quality grain and shorter life cycle that create opportunity to timely establishment of Rabi crops. Therefore, they were motivated to cultivate this variety (Table 122).

Table 122. Average grain yield (GY), average growth duration (GD), total production (TP), retained seeds (RS), knowledge gained farmers (KGF) and motivated farmers (MF) of SPDP during Boro, 2022-23 in the country.

Variety	GY (t ha-1)	GD (day)	TP (kg)	RS (kg)	KGF (no.)	MF (no.)
BIRRI dhan67	6.2	144	23885	3545	1537	473
BIRRI dhan74	6.3	145	8435	800	305	111
BIRRI dhan81	6.3	143	9230	730	1001	347
BIRRI dhan84	6.8	145	16407	1545	633	261
BIRRI dhan88	6.6	144	47497	5035	2874	792
BIRRI dhan89	7.5	155	267397	40037	15149	5829
BIRRI dhan92	7.7	158	307324	43270	16341	6344
BIRRI dhan96	6.6	145	44886	5160	2734	786
BIRRI dhan99	6.3	149	14208	2145	655	118
BIRRI dhan100	6.8	146	58996	8550	2674	828
Mean/Total	6.7	147	798265	110817	43903	15889

Table 123. Table Minimum, maximum, mean grain yield and standard deviation of different rice varieties cultivated during Boro 2022-23 in the country

Variety	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
BIRRI dhan67	5.3	7.9	6.17	0.66
BIRRI dhan74	5.6	6.9	6.31	0.52
BIRRI dhan81	5.5	8.8	6.3	0.87
BIRRI dhan84	5.5	8.2	6.8	0.87
BIRRI dhan88	5.1	7.7	6.6	0.49
BIRRI dhan89	5.1	9.9	7.5	.83
BIRRI dhan92	5.7	10.3	7.7	.70
BIRRI dhan96	5.4	8.0	6.6	0.60
BIRRI dhan99	5.3	8.0	6.3	0.81
BIRRI dhan100	5.5	8.5	6.8	0.61

Among the ten rice varieties (BIRRI dhan67, BIRRI dhan74, BIRRI dhan81, BIRRI dhan84, BIRRI dhan88, BIRRI dhan89, BIRRI dhan92, BIRRI dhan96, BIRRI dhan99 and Bangabondhu dhan100) for maximum yield, BIRRI dhan92 gave the highest yield 10.3 t/ha followed by BIRRI dhan89 and the yield was 9.9 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BIRRI dhan74, it was 6.9 t/ha followed by BIRRI dhan88 and it was 7.7 t/ha. On the contrary, in case of minimum yield of BIRRI dhan92 gave the highest yield 5.7 t/ha followed by BIRRI dhan81 and the yield was 5.6 t/ha and the lowest yield was found in BIRRI dhan88, BIRRI dhan89, it was 5.1 t/ha followed by BIRRI dhan88, BIRRI dhan89 and it was 5.1 t/ha (Table 123)

2.11. Special dissemination program of BRRI hybrid dhan3 and BRRI hybrid dhan5 in Boro, 2022-23

Materials and locations

Special dissemination program of BRRI hybrid dhan3 and BRRI hybrid dhan5 in Boro 2022-23 were conducted in 28 upazilas of 14 districts (Tangail, Gazipur, Narshingdhi, Manikganj, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh, Netrokona, Sherpur, Bagerhat, Gaibandha, Khagrachari, Bandarban, Rangamati and Cox's Bazar) under GOB core program. Two hybrid rice varieties (BRRI hybrid dhan3 and BRRI hybrid dhan5) were used in the program. Plot size of each variety was 1 bigha and 2 hybrid rice varieties were demonstrated in 2 bighas area in a cluster in each block of each upazila. BRRI provided quality seeds, fertilizer and signboard while the rest of the managements were done by the farmers. A total of 56 demonstrations were established in fourteen districts of Bangladesh.

Table 124. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI hybrid dhan3

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency		Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	6.0-7.5	8		28.6	
	7.6-9.0	17		60.7	
	9.1-10.5	3		10.7	
	Total	28		100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev	
Yield (t/ha)	6.2	9.5	7.8	0.73	-
Growth Duration (day)	132	157	146	9.14	-
Total Production (Kg)	824	1272	1046	97.10	29288
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0	0.00	-
K. gained Farmer (No.)	15	100	45	27.15	1290
Motivated Farmer (No.)	3	50	21	12.48	588

Around 28 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 28 upazila under 14 Districts of Bangladesh. A total of 29288 Kg grains were produced from all the demonstrations. The minimum yield of BRRI hybrid dhan3 was 6.2 t/ha, the maximum yield was 9.5 t/ha and the average yield was 7.8 t/ha with 0.73 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (6.0-7.5 t/ha, 7.6-9.0 and 9.1-10.5). Yield category (7.6-9.0 t/ha) was found 60.7% locations followed by yield category (6.0-7.5 t/ha) was found 28.63% locations and the lowest yield category (9.1-10.5 t/ha), it was 10.7 locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI hybrid dhan3 was 132 and 157 days respectively and the average growth duration was 145 days with 9.14 standard deviation. Minimum total grains production 824 Kg, maximum 1272 Kg seed were produced and the average 1046 Kg seed was produced per location with 97.10 standard deviation. Farmers did not retained seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot grow for the next time for crop cultivation. From these demonstrations many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan3, minimum 15 and maximum 100 and the average 45 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 27.15. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan3, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 3 farmers and maximum 50 and the average 21 farmers were motivated with 12.48 standard deviation. A total of 29288 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. About

1290 farmers acquired awareness and gained knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 588 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate BRRI hybrid dhan3 in the next year (Table 124). BRRI hybrid dhan3 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher grain yield (Table 124).

Table 125. Yield with category, growth duration, total production, retained seed, knowledge gained and motivated farmers of BRRI hybrid dhan5

Character	Yield Category (t/ha)	Frequency		Percent (%)	Total (TP/RS/KGF/MF)
Grain Yield (t/ha)	6.5-7.5	7		25.0	
	7.6-8.5	17		60.7	
	8.6-9.5	4		14.3	
	Total	28		100.0	
	Descriptive Statistics				
	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Dev	
Yield (t/ha)	6.6	9.3	7.9	0.68	-
Growth Duration (day)	133	147	143	3.37	-
Total Production (Kg)	888	1238	1063	91.11	29764
Retained Seed (Kg)	0	0	0	00	-
K. gained Farmer (No.)	22	120	46	32.65	1288
Motivated Farmer No.)	5	50	20	13.61	560

Around 28 demonstrations were conducted in the different locations of 28 upazila under 14 Districts of Bangladesh. The minimum yield of BRRI hybrid dhan5 was 6.6 t/ha, the maximum yield was 9.3 t/ha and the average yield was 7.9 t/ha with 0.68 standard deviation. From the minimum and maximum yield, the yield was categorized into three category (6.5-7.5 t/ha, 7.6-8.5 and 8.6-9.5). Yield category (7.6-8.5 t/ha) was found 60.7% locations followed by yield category (6.5-7.5 t/ha) was found 25.0% locations and the lowest yield category (8.6-9.5 t/ha), it was 14.3% locations. The minimum and maximum growth duration of BRRI hybrid dhan5 was 133 and 147 days respectively and the average growth duration was 143 days with 3.37 standard deviation. Minimum total grains production 888 Kg, maximum 1238 Kg grains were produced and the average 1063 Kg grains were produced per location with 91.11 standard deviation (Table 125).

Farmers did not retain any seed after harvesting, as because hybrid seed cannot grow for the next time for crop cultivation. From these demonstrations many of the farmers gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan5, minimum 22 and maximum 120 and the average 46 farmers were gained knowledge about the variety with the standard deviation 32.65. The farmers who gained knowledge about BRRI hybrid dhan5, among the farmers some of them were motivated to cultivate this variety in the next year if the seeds are available in the market in proper time. Minimum 5 farmers and maximum 65 and the average 20 farmers were motivated with 13.61 standard deviation (Table 125).

A total of 29764 kg grains were produced from all demonstrated plots. About 1288 farmers acquired awareness and gained knowledge about the varieties through field visits, discussion and knowledge sharing. A total of 560 farmers were motivated and showed their interest to cultivate BRRI hybrid dhan3 in the next year (Table 125). BRRI hybrid dhan5 were highly preferred by the farmers for its higher grain yield.

2.12. Seed Production and Dissemination Program in Boro 2023 under TRB project

Objectives

- 1) Rapid dissemination of newly released rice varieties through quality seed production.
- 2) To enhance farmers' knowledge regarding production package of modern rice.
- 3) To Motivate farmers to produce and preserve quality seeds of modern rice varieties

- 4) Increase availability of quality seed at farm level
- 5) Exchange seeds from farmers to farmers
- 6) Collect feedback information from farmers and DAE personnel about BRRi varieties.

Materials and Locations

A total of 30 SPDPs were conducted in 16 upazila of 10 districts (Gazipur, Netrakona, Mymensingh, Khulna, Chuadanga, Narsingdhi, Kishoreganj, Bagura, Dinajpur and Bandarban) under TRB project during Boro 2022-23. BRRi dhan67, BRRi dhan84, BRRi dhan88, BRRi dhan89, BRRi dhan92 and Bangabandhu dhan100 were used in the SPDPs. Area of each SPDP was 3 bigha and total area of SPDP was 90 bigha. The program was executed in collaboration of DAE. BRRi provided quality seeds, fertilizer, Pesticides and signboard while rests of the managements were done by the farmers.

Results and discussion

Results and discussion: Irrespective of varieties and locations, BRRi dhan92 gave the highest yield (7.50 t/ha) in Monohordi, Narsingdhi while the lowest yield (5.10 t ha⁻¹) obtained in BRRi dhan84 at Shibganj, Bagura. Total production of all the varieties was 75729 kg from which 4319 kg was retained as seeds (9 % of total production) by the farmers for next season cultivation. About 6750 farmers gained awareness and knowledge about the varieties and 1253 farmers (23% of total farmers) were motivated to cultivate the varieties. BRRi Mean growth duration BRRi dhan67, BRRi dhan84, BRRi dhan88, BRRi dhan89, BRRi dhan92 and Bangabandhu dhan100 was 143, 140, 139, 155, 157 and 140 days while mean grain yield was 5.96, 5.85, 6.11, 6.28, 6.49 and 6.13t/ha, respectively (Table 126).

Table 126. Results of SPDP Boro 2022-23 under TRB project

Location		Growth duration (day)	Grain yield (t/ha)	Area (bigha)	Total production (kg)	Seeds retained (kg)	KGF (no.)	Motivated Farmers (no.)
District	Upazila							
BRRi dhan67								
Gazipur	Kapasias	144	6.11	2	1636	100	70	10
Tangail	Kalihati	145	5.76	1	771	120	200	40
Narsingdhi	Monohordi	145	6.45	1	863	150	250	35
Kishoreganj	Sadar	142	5.90	2	1580	30	50	10
Khagrasari	Guimara	141	5.43	1	727	30	60	10
Gaibandha	Sagata	140	5.65	2	1513	40	70	10
Khulna	Dumuria	144	6.43	3	2582	100	100	40
Mean/Total		143	5.96	12	9672	570	800	155
BRRi dhan84								
Gazipur	Kapasias	140	5.70	1	763	60	100	15
Narsingdhi	Monohordi	142	6.30	2	1687	50	200	15
Bagura	Shibganj	136	5.10	1	817	30	100	10
Khagrasari	Guimara	139	5.56	2	1489	30	100	10
Gaibandha	Gobindaganj	144	5.86	2	1569	30	120	10
Mean/Total		140	5.85	8	6324	200	620	60
BRRi dhan88								
Mymensingh	Gofargaon	140	5.77	1	772	50	45	5
Tangail	Sakhipur	139	5.67	1	759	40	50	15
Tangail	Fulbaria	141	6.23	2	1668	54	60	15
Gazipur	Kapasias	138	5.96	3	2394	30	45	10
Narsingdhi	Monohordi	139	6.11	2	1636	200	150	60

	Polash	137	6.92	1	926	200	300	50
Mean/Total		139	6.11	10	8155	574	650	155
BRI dhan89								
Mymensingh	Fulbaria	155	6.56	1	878	100	100	30
Netrakona	Sadar	157	7.22	2	1934	150	100	25
Gazipur	Sadar	156	6.59	2	1764	200	60	24
Gazipur	Sreepur	157	5.23	1	700	20	10	5
Tangail	Kalihati	155	6.23	2	1668	150	250	50
Tangail	Sakhipur	154	6.76	2	1810	150	250	50
Chuadanga	Sadar	156	6.12	2	1639	60	150	30
	Damurhuda	153	6.56	2	1756	120	250	50
Norsingdhi	Polash	155	7.23	2	1936	200	300	30
Gaibandha	Gobindaganj	150	6.70	2	1794	50	100	30
	Polashbari	154	6.24	4	3341	50	100	30
	Sagata	154	6.22	1	833	50	100	30
Dinajpur	Sadar	154	6.33	1	847	50	100	30
Bandarban	Lama	150	5.13	1	687	50	100	10
Khagrassari	Guimara	154	5.76	1	771	50	100	30
Bagura	Shibganj	159	5.87	1	786	50	80	30
Mean/Total		155	6.28	26	22266	1400	2050	454
BRI dhan92								
Mymensingh	Gaforgaon	154	6.54	1	876	30	50	20
Netrakona	Sadar	158	7.23	1	968	150	100	25
Gazipur	Kapasaria	156	6.87	2	1839	200	250	30
	Sripur	157	5.34	1	715	10	50	5
	Sadar	158	6.30	1	843	40	50	10
Tangail	Kalihati	154	6.12	2	1639	100	200	30
	Sakhipur	156	6.20	1	830	100	200	30
Norsingdhi	Monohordi	160	7.50	2	2008	200	150	50
	Polash	160	7.32	1	980	200	300	50
Khulna	Dumuria	155	6.12	1	819	30	50	5
Chuadanga	Sadar	154	6.43	2	1722	40	50	10
	Damurhuda	155	6.77	2	1813	100	250	30
Kishoreganj	Sadar	156	6.12	2	1639	20	50	5
Gaibandha	Gobindaganj	160	6.14	2	1644	30	50	6
	Sagata	156	6.10	1	817	30	50	10
	Polashbari	160	6.67	4	3572	15	50	8
Mean/Total		157	6.49	26	22722	1295	1900	324
Bangabandhu dhan100								
Mymensingh	Fulbaria	143	6.11	1	818	40	60	10
Gazipur	Sadar	140	6.23	1	834	30	70	15
Norsingdhi	Polash	140	6.12	2	1639	50	200	30
Chuadanga	Damurhuda	141	6.34	2	1697	100	200	30
Bagura	Sibganj	138	5.87	1	786	30	100	10
Joypurhat	Sadar	140	6.10	1	817	30	100	10
Mean/Total		140	6.13	8	6590	280	730	105
Grand Total				90	75729	4319	6750	1253

2.13. Farmers' feedback about BRRI varieties under GOB and other projects

Table 127. Farmers' feedback about the varieties demonstrated in Aus 2022, Aman 2022 and Boro 2023.

Variety	Advantages	Disadvantages
Season: Aus 2022		
BRRI dhan48	Higher yield, no of grains in panicle is higher, better crop stand.	--
BRRI dhan55 in hilly areas	In the hilly area, yielded nearly double than the local var. (Chakmachikon, Hamarang, Company etc.). Hilly people preferred BRRI dhan55 for stickiness, long slender grain and also for high yield.	Farmers in plain land do not prefer sticky rice.
BRRI Dhan65	Drought resistant, slender grain, straight flag leaf, short growth duration.	-
BRRI dhan82	Medium bold type grain, duration shorter than BRRI dhan48, high yield, long panicle, plant height good.	Higher lodging tendency, susceptible to blast disease
BRRI Dhan83	Higher yield,	Duration is higher than BRRI Dhan43 and 65, bold grain type
BRRI dhan85	Slender grain, higher yield.	High sterility , shorter panicle
BRRI hybrid dhan7	High yield	Longer growth duration, Severe BLB infestation
Season: Aman 2022		
BRRI dhan49	Higher yield, better crop stand and Nizersail type grain. Higher market price. Rabi crops can be grown easily after harvesting. Lodging tolerant. One week earlier than BR11, Public demand & market price is high.	Susceptible to False Smut disease.
BRRI dhan52	Higher yield, bold grain, lodging tolerant and submergence tolerant	Higher pest infestation especially Stem borer and Bacterial blight.
BRRI dhan54	Comparatively shorter growth duration, suitable for coastal region.	Lower grain yield.
BRRI dhan56	Shorter duration, drought tolerant along with better yield. Lodging tolerant and fine grain. Higher market price for attractive grains. Rabi crops can easily be grown after its harvest.	Lower yield compared to BRRI dhan49 and Swarna.
BRRI dhan57	Shorter duration which can escape drought along with better yield. Lodging tolerant and fine grain. Higher market price for attractive grains. Rabi crops easily can be grown after its harvest.	Lower yield compared to BRRI dhan49 and Swarna. Farmers are disappointed in some areas for shattering tendency at maximum ripening condition.

BRRRI dhan62	Better yield with shorter duration (101-103 days). Rabi crops can easily be grown after its harvest. Higher Zinc content. Very fine grain.	Lower yield compared to BRRRI dhan49 and Swarna. Cooked rice are sticky.
BRRRI dhan66	Drought tolerant, Many farmers preferred this variety for its short growth duration. Rabi crops can be established easily after harvesting this variety.	Lower number of panicles per unit area and lower yield.
BRRRI dhan70	Long fine grain.	Higher sterility and lower yield.
BRRRI dhan71	Drought tolerant, higher yield, Good yield, short duration, Rabi crop can be grown easily after harvesting.	Bold grain, higher bird and Rice bug attack
BRRRI dhan72	Higher yield and Zinc enriched	Bold grain
BRRRI dhan73	Salinity tolerant, higher yield	Have lodging tendency
BRRRI dhan75	Slender grain having aroma, higher yield with shorter growth duration, Rabi crop can be grown easily after harvesting.	Bird attack Rice bug attack.
BRRRI dhan79	Submergence tolerance. Good yield.	Susceptible to False Smut disease
BRRRI dhan80	Higher grain yield, long slender grain, looking good.	Insect attack is higher, no aroma
BRRRI dhan87	Higher grain and straw yield, long slender grain, long panicle, farmers are highly interested, lower sterility.	Having lodging tendency. Susceptible to False smut, BLB, and Sheath blight disease
BRRRI dhan93	Higher grain yield, attractive colorful grain, Swarna type.	Higher growth duration.
BRRRI dhan94	Higher yield and highly preferable in Northern part of Bangladesh as alternates of Indian Swarna.	
BRRRI dhan95	Higher yield with shorter growth duration and highly preferable in Northern part of Bangladesh as alternates of Indian Swarna.	
Season: Boro 2023		
BRRRI dhan58	Comparatively higher yield, more grains in panicle, better crop stand, no lodging, high tillering, good taste, milling recovery high, good slender grain.	Medium duration

BRRRI dhan60	Shorter duration, culm is strong and straight, lodging tolerant, better yield.	Lower yield, uneven panicle, some grains remained green in matured panicle, grain spot
BRRRI dhan63	Long slender grain, good yield, good taste of cooked rice, higher market price and satisfactory growth duration.	Susceptible to blast disease, higher sterility.
BRRRI dhan67	Higher yield, tolerant to salinity, minimum sterility, less pest incidence, good taste and highly preferred by the farmers.	-
BRRRI dhan69	Low input rice.	Grain bold, cooked rice sticky
BRRRI dhan74	Zinc enriched, higher yield Less pest incidence No lodging	Grain bold Lower market price
BRRRI dhan81	Grain type excellent, plant is stout, long slender grain, Good yield, Good taste of cooked rice, Higher market price. 3-4 days earlier than BRRRI dhan28	Very much susceptible to blast disease
BRRRI dhan84	Good looking, medium yield, Zinc enriched. Shorter growth duration.	Very much susceptible to blast and sheath blight disease, empty spikelet is higher, have lodging tendency
BRRRI dhan88	Good yield, less pest attack, slender grain, lodging tolerant, 3-4 days earlier than BRRRI dhan28 but higher yield than BRRRI dhan28.	-
BRRRI dhan89	High yield, attractive, long panicle with more plant number in unit area, grain type is good, no lodging tendency	longer growth duration
BRRRI dhan92	Very high yielder Attractive looking Long panicle with more plant number in unit area Grain type is good, no lodging tendency	longer growth duration
BRRRI dhan96	High yielding Grains are well filled lower sterility percentage Lodging susceptible, Lower disease incidence Golden colored grain	Poor yield Plant type short
BRRRI dhan97	High yielding and high tolerance to salinity and disease	Bold grain type, long growth duration, not so attractive

	fine grain lodging tolerance	
BRRRI dhan99	High yielding High tolerance to salinity and disease Fine grain	Long duration, not so attractive, uneven maturity.
BRRRI dhan100	Fine grain and zinc enriched, Palatable to eat Lower disease incidence High yielder less insect and disease attack Short duration	Having lodging tendency. Easily lodge by storms.

3. PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

3.1. Farmers Training

Introduction:

Farmers' trainings is an important tool to train up farmers on updated technologies of modern rice cultivation and encourage them to adopt modern rice varieties and associated technologies for increasing yield at reduced cost of production.

Objectives:

- 1) To update knowledge and skills of farmers and field workers on modern rice varieties and rice production technologies.
- 2) To enhance dissemination of new technologies among the farmers.

Methodology:

Farmers' training is a one-day program. In each training, a total of 30 trainees (about 27-30 farmers and about 0-3 SAAOs) were participated. Farmers' trainings were conducted through the financial support of GoB. It was conducted in different upazilas of Bangladesh with collaboration of DAE. Modern rice varieties and associated rice cultivation technologies are discussed with the help of colorful slides, white board and videos using multimedia projector for easy understanding by the farmers.

Results and discussion

A total of 71 farmer's training executed by ARD under GoB and TRB, ARD conducted 59 farmer's training under GoB and 12 under TRB project at different locations of the country. A total of 2130 trainees (1623 farmers and 507 SAAOs of DAE) were participated in those Farmers' trainings during the reporting period of 2022-23 (Table 128). They were trained up and updated their knowledge and skill on modern rice cultivation technologies as well as the new rice varieties developed by BRRRI.

Table 128. List of Farmer's training during 2022-23.

SN	Location	Number of Trainee					Funding Source
		Farmer		SAAO/FW		Total	Project/GOB
		Male	Female	Male	Female		
1	Sadar, Khagrachori	10	17	2	1	30	GOB
2	Sadar, Khagrachori	20	7	2	1	30	GOB
3	Sadar, Khagrachori	12	15	2	1	30	GOB
4	Sadar, Khagrachori	20	7	2	1	30	GOB
5	Dighinala, Khagrachori	20	7	2	1	30	GOB
6	Dighinala, Khagrachori	22	5	3	0	30	GOB
7	Dighinala, Khagrachori	17	10	2	1	30	GOB

8	Dighinala, Khagrachori	15	12	3	0	30	GOB
9	Kaptai, Rangamati	17	10	2	1	30	GOB
10	Kaptai, Rangamati	19	8	3	0	30	GOB
11	Rajasthali, Rangamati	22	5	2	1	30	GOB
12	Rajasthali, Rangamati	22	5	3	0	30	GOB
13	Rajasthali, Rangamati	20	7	3	0	30	GOB
14	Rajasthali, Rangamati	20	7	1	2	30	GOB
15	Sadar, Bagerhat	20	7	3	0	30	GOB
16	Sadar, Bagerhat	20	7	0	3	30	GOB
17	Rampal, Bagerhat	21	6	2	1	30	GOB
18	Rampal, Bagerhat	24	3	3	0	30	GOB
19	Rampal, Bagerhat	22	5	2	1	30	GOB
20	Rampal, Bagerhat	22	5	3	0	30	GOB
21	Mongla, Bagerhat	22	5	2	1	30	GOB
22	Mongla, Bagerhat	23	4	3	0	30	GOB
23	Mongla, Bagerhat	22	5	3	0	30	GOB
24	Mongla, Bagerhat	20	7	2	1	30	GOB
25	Shibpur, Narshingdi	27	0	2	1	30	GOB
26	Shibpur, Narshingdi	27	0	3	0	30	GOB
27	Sadar, Cox's Bazar	13	14	3	0	30	GOB
28	Sadar, Cox's Bazar	8	19	1	2	30	GOB
29	Sadar, Cox's Bazar	15	12	3	0	30	GOB
30	Sadar, Cox's Bazar	20	7	3	0	30	GOB
31	Ramu, Cox's Bazar	19	8	3	0	30	GOB
32	Ramu, Cox's Bazar	19	8	3	0	30	GOB
33	Ramu, Cox's Bazar	10	17	3	0	30	GOB
34	Ramu, Cox's Bazar	14	13	3	0	30	GOB
35	Jogitala, Gazipur Sadar	30	0	0	0	30	GOB
36	Jogitala, Gazipur Sadar	30	0	0	0	30	GOB
37	Noadia, Monohordi, Narshingdi	12	15	3	0	30	GOB
38	Noadia, Monohordi, Narshingdi	26	1	2	1	30	GOB
39	Kapasia, Gazipur	22	5	0	3	30	GOB
40	Kapasia, Gazipur	18	9	2	1	30	GOB
41	Sreepur, Gazipur	18	9	2	1	30	GOB
42	Sreepur, Gazipur	21	6	3	0	30	GOB
43	Sreepur, Gazipur	25	2	2	1	30	GOB
44	Sreepur, Gazipur	21	6	3	0	30	GOB
45	Monohordi, Narshingdi	24	3	3	0	30	GOB
46	Monohordi, Narshingdi	20	7	1	2	30	GOB
47	Monohordi, Narshingdi	27	0	2	1	30	GOB
48	Monohordi, Narshingdi	19	8	3	0	30	GOB
49	Sadar, Mymensing	13	14	2	1	30	GOB
50	Sadar, Mymensing	18	9	2	1	30	GOB
51	Sadar, Mymensing	23	4	1	2	30	GOB
52	Sadar, Mymensing	24	3	2	1	30	GOB
53	Tarakanda, Mymensing	27	0	3	0	30	GOB
54	Tarakanda, Mymensing	26	1	3	0	30	GOB
55	Nandail, Mymensing	21	6	2	1	30	GOB
56	Nandail, Mymensing	26	1	2	1	30	GOB
57	Tarakanda, Mymensing	24	3	1	2	30	GOB
58	Tarakanda, Mymensing	25	2	3	0	30	GOB
59	Nandail, Mymensing	23	4	3	0	30	GOB

60	Palash, Narshingdhi	20	7	2	1	30	TRB
61	Palash, Narshingdhi	20	7	2	1	30	TRB
62	Monohordhi, Narshingdhi	22	5	2	1	30	TRB
63	Monohordhi, Narshingdhi	22	5	2	1	30	TRB
64	Kapasia, Gazipur	23	4	3	0	30	TRB
65	Kapasia, Gazipur	23	4	3	0	30	TRB
66	Monohordhi, Narshingdhi	21	6	2	1	30	TRB
67	Monohordhi, Narshingdhi	21	6	2	1	30	TRB
68	Belabo, Narshingdhi	20	7	2	1	30	TRB
69	Belabo, Narshingdhi	20	7	2	1	30	TRB
70	Kapasia, Gazipur	23	4	2	1	30	TRB
71	Kapasia, Gazipur	23	4	2	1	30	TRB
	Grand Total	1465	458	158	49	2130	GoB & TRB

3.2. Field Day/Farmers' rally

Objectives:

- 1) To create awareness and interest among farmers, SAAOs, local leaders, elite persons, NGO workers and DAE personnel about BRRI varieties and technologies.
- 2) To promote dissemination and get feedback about BRRI technologies from farmers.

These events are very useful tools for generating awareness and interests among the farmers and concerned extension agents about the modern rice production technologies.

Results and discussion:

Tota 71 Field days were conducted during the reporting period. ARD conducted a total of 60 Field days at different locations in different seasons of the country under GoB and TRB Project conducted a total of 11 Field days at different locations in different seasons of the country. Around 7700 participants including farmers, local leaders and DAE personnel participated in those field days (Table 129). These programs also generated much enthusiasm about modern rice production technologies and BRRI varieties, which helped rapid dissemination of technologies.

Table 129. List of Field days during 2022-23.

Season	No. of Field Day	Total Participant	Funding Source
Aus	20	2000	GoB
Aman	20	2000	GoB
Boro	20	2000	GoB
Aman	5	700	TRB Project
Boro	6	1000	TRB Project
Total	71	7700	

3.3. Farmer seed center (FSC)

Objectives

1. To increase availability of quality seeds at field level.
2. To build up storage facilities for seeds at farmers' level.
3. To encourage farmers to store quality seeds

A total of 3 seed centers for farmers were established at different project implementing areas of the country. Six plastic drums were supplied by project cost in each center. Around 80 kg seeds were preserved in each drum, as a result a total of nearly 1500 kg seeds were preserved properly by the farmers themselves. Involved and associated farmers used these good quality seeds of promising rice varieties for rapid dissemination through seed exchange or selling among the farmers.

3.4. Seed support to farmers and other stakeholders

Objectives:

- 1) Enhance rapid dissemination of newly released BIRRI varieties
- 2) Encourage farmers for production and storing of quality seeds at on-farm level.
- 3) Strengthen dissemination process of promising rice varieties with free of cost.

Seed support during T. Aman, 2022

A total of 1.40 tons of seeds were distributed among different stakeholders such as farmers, NGO workers and BIRRI employees with free of cost (Table 130) under TRB project. Complete production package were provided among the stakeholders so that they can adopt all required and recommended package for the cultivation of supplied variety.

Table 130. Seed support for cultivation during T. Aman 2022

SN	Variety	Seed distributed(kg)	Area could be cultivated (bigha)	Stakeholder Farmers (no.)
1	BIRRI dhan49	200	40	14
2	BIRRI dhan52	125	45	15
3	BIRRI dhan71	175	35	12
4	BIRRI dhan75	200	40	14
5	BIRRI dhan87	300	60	20
6	BIRRI dhan93	100	20	8
7	BIRRI dhan94	150	30	12
8	BIRRI dhan95	150	30	14
Total	8	1400	300	109

Seed support during Boro, 2022-23

Adaptive Research Division distributed 1.10 ton truthfully labeled seeds (TLS) of modern rice varieties in Boro 2022-23 to the farmers and stakeholders (Table 131) under TRB project. The seeds were produced at ARD farm of BIRRI Gazipur under the financial support of TRB project. The seeds were distributed to 200 farmers/stakeholders with free of cost through seed support program in Boro 2022-23.

Table 131. Seed support to stakeholders during Boro, 2022-23 under TRB project

SN	Variety	Seed distributed(kg)	Area coverage (bigha)	Stakeholder Farmers (no.)	Upazila coverage	District coverage
1	BIRRI dhan67	150	30	20	5	5
2	BIRRI dhan74	150	30	30	7	5
3	BIRRI dhan84	100	20	30	5	5
4	BIRRI dhan88	200	20	20	15	5
6	BIRRI dhan89	250	50	50	20	7
6	BIRRI dhan92	250	50	50	15	7
Total	6	1100	200	200	67	32

3.5. Seed Production at BIRRI Farm

A total of 4840 kg quality seeds of different BIRRI varieties were produced at BIRRI farm during the reporting period for conducting adaptive research trials. Total 1960 kg quality seeds of 8 varieties were produced during T. Aman, 2022 whereas 2880 kg TLS of 10 BIRRI developed rice varieties were produced during Boro 2023 season (Table 132). These seeds were used in different adaptive research trials and SPDPs for rapid dissemination of the varieties.

Table 132. Produced TLS during 2022-2023 under ARD, at research field of BIRRI, Gazipur

Season: T. Aman 2022		Season: Boro 2023	
Varieties	Seed produced (kg)	Varieties	Seed produced (kg)
BIRRI dhan52	250	BIRRI dhan67	350
BIRRI dhan71	240	BIRRI dhan74	280
BIRRI dhan75	200	BIRRI dhan84	200
BIRRI dhan79	200	BIRRI dhan88	200
BIRRI dhan87	400	BIRRI dhan89	300
BIRRI dhan90	300	BIRRI dhan92	300
BIRRI dhan94	200	BIRRI dhan99	350
BIRRI dhan95	170	BIRRI dhan100	300
		BIRRI dhan101	200
		BIRRI dhan102	400
Sub-total	1960	Sub-total	2880
Grand Total	4840 kg		