

## Attapeu: dry season rice plantation practiced on over 1,000 ha

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(KPL) Attapeu province has practiced dry season rice plantation on over 1,000 ha with a total harvest of 4,409 tonnes of rice, according to local official.



The rice plantation with the System of Rice Intensification (SRI) techniques has been practised on 86 ha with a total harvest of 450 tonnes of rice, said Head of the Plantation Division, Agriculture and Forestry Service of Attapeu province, Mr. Sayphon Nammavongsa.

The System of Rice Intensification is a methodology for increasing the productivity of irrigated rice cultivation by changing the management of plants, soil, water and nutrients and the using of fewer rice

seedlings.

Mr. Sayphon said that the average yield of rice plantation with SRI techniques is 5.24 tonnes per hectare while that of rice plantation with traditional techniques is 4.2 tonnes per hectare.

The rice plantation in the last dry season in the province included 373 ha in Saysettha district, 242.7 ha in Samakhisay, 252 ha in Sanamsay, 55.3 ha in Sansay and 71 ha in Phouvong.

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