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Update of FAO Rice Programme in the Region

- FAO supports member countries, through SSTC, to translate those opportunities into real tangible socio-economic benefits
- FAOSTAT data shows that there has been an increase in rice yields over the last 20 years in these countries
- FAO's rice projects have assisted countries to:
 - Strengthen their seed sector
 - Introduce adequate machinery for land preparation and harvesting
 - Reduce postharvest losses

Examples of Countries supported:

- Cameroon
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Guinea
- Kenya
- Mali
- Nigeria
- Senegal
- Tanzania
- Uganda



FAO Projects and Programmes Update

- Capacity development and experience sharing for rice value chains through south-south and triangular cooperation (SSTC) in Tanzania, Cote d'Ivoire, and Tanzania.
- Support for the socio-economic assessment of the hybrid rice sector in Madagascar
- Sustainable Development of the Rice Value Chain in Sierra Leone through South-South Cooperation. Designing is ongoing (Vietnam).
- China's technical assistance through south-south cooperation on the rice value chain to Cote d'Ivoire, Senegal, Guinea Conakry, and Guinea Conakry



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<https://www.fao.org/3/cc1960en/online/cc1960en.html>





Lessons

Some of the lessons learned include:

- ✓ Prioritization of rice sector development by national governments key to success
- ✓ Inclusive approaches (both multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholders engagements) fundamental
- ✓ A systems approach – not just focusing on production but the entire value chain – will work.
- ✓ Partnerships and collaboration (e.g. SSTC) are instrumental.



Thank you

