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末沙布：增加本地米產量 種稻技術需大改進

（吉隆坡1日讯）农业及粮食安全部长拿督斯里莫哈末沙布指出，国内的稻米种植技术需要展开重大的改进，尤其是在施肥方面。

他解释，政府推广“迷你适耕庄智能稻田耕作及灌溉创新”计划（SMART SBB）是为了增加本地的稻米产量。

“灌溉是运作该计划的一个重要方面。我们必须根据种植计划确保有足够的水。适当的施肥、水管理和所有其他要素都必须安排好。”

減少依賴進口白米

根据《星报》报导，莫哈末沙布说，大马的目标是减少依赖进口白米，并承认要实现完全自给自足，是一项挑战。

他提到，大马农业研究院（MARDI）支持稻米秧苗计划，以应对这一挑战。

“尤其是在稻米秧苗方面，



■莫哈末沙布

农业研究院正在进行各种工作。目前，我们与中国和印尼针对稻米种子展开合作。中国现在在做很多研究。”

莫哈末沙布承认农民面临财政困难，并强调必须进行财务改革、态度转变和改善灌溉系统。

他建议拨出超过30亿令吉的预算用于灌溉，并指这可在两年内促进5个稻米种植季节。

虽然国内一些地区，包括适耕庄和吉打州的特定地区的稻米产量，取得良好的收成，但他强调，需要争取更高的产量。

他指出，政府计划通过SMART SBB，在2025年将白米产量提高到75%的自给率水平，以确保能通过本地生产满足国内需求。

“实现这一目标将大大帮助本地稻米生产的自给自足，促进粮食安全并维护国家利益。”

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Treat for pineapple lovers

Mardi unveils new high-quality MS16 hybrid fruit

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PETALING JAYA: A new high-quality hybrid pineapple, known as the MS16, has been introduced by the Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (Mardi).

Mardi director-general Datuk Dr Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani said the initiative to develop this new variety of pineapple follows the high per capita consumption of pineapples among Malaysians, which is at 12.2kg per year, against the backdrop of low import dependency rate (IDR) of 0.2%.

"This new pineapple hybrid is the result of the collaboration of the Mardi germplasm exchange in 1993 with Maroochy Horticultural Station in Nambour, Queensland, Australia, which led to the introduction of the thornless pineapple variety to Malaysia, which was then crossed with the Josapine pineapple to produce a local hybrid variety.

"It involved more than 20 years of research to produce the best hybrid for use in the country's fresh pineapple market," he said in a statement.

The launch of the new MS16 pineapple hybrid was officiated by Pontian MP Datuk Seri Ahmad Maslan, who is also the Deputy Works Minister, on Dec 17, 2023, at Pontian Mardi Station.

Also present was Johor state exco member Datuk Zahari Sarip.

Mohamad Zabawi added that the MS16 pineapple hybrid showed the best performance in terms of fruit size and the production of tendrils (a slender thread-like appendage of a plant that



Sweet success: (From left) Ahmad with Zahari and Mohamad Zabawi harvesting the new MS16 hybrid pineapple at the Pontian Mardi Station. — Bernama

helps it to support itself), while also tolerant to bacterial heart rot disease.

"Based on a study of consumer acceptance and tendency, MS16 is comparable to the MD2 pineapple variety in terms of taste quality, because the MS16 has a special characteristic, which is a sweet fruit taste with a sweetness value of 16% to 21% Brix; the filling is yellowish in colour, with the overall fruit quite crunchy in feel, accompanied by a good aroma.

"However, the MS16 can be stored for a period of around seven days at low temperature

(10°C) and five days at ambient temperature (25°C), which allows it to be marketed in the local market as fresh pineapple and processed products such as juice," he said.

He also said the production of many tendrils and thornless leaves was also expected to be a pull factor for growers as it could be a cost savings for production and farm maintenance.

"In addition, the MS16 can also be planted in mineral soil which can help increase the area of pineapple cultivation in the country, which is currently more con-

centrated in peatland areas.

"This will simultaneously help increase productivity and new sources of income for pineapple growers, as well as contribute to the generation of the national economy," he said.

Mohamad Zabawi added the demand for the MS16 pineapple tendrils (the part that is used as a planting material) had been very high since it was launched.

Growers and pineapple enthusiasts wishing to get their hands on this new variety can contact Mardi Pontian at 07-687 1121/1122.

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TIMBALAN Menteri Kerja Raya, Datuk Seri Ahmad Maslan (tengah) bersama Mohamad Zabawi (dua dari kanan) melancarkan Nanas MS16 di Pontian baru-baru ini.

Nanas MS16 setanding MD2

PETALING JAYA – Kadar penggunaan per kapita nanas yang tinggi dalam kalangan rakyat Malaysia sebanyak 12.2 kilogram setahun, ditambah kadar kebergantungan import rendah pada 0.2 peratus menyebabkan Institut Penyelidikan dan Kemajuan Pertanian Malaysia (Mardi) menjalankan kajian pembiakbakaan nanas secara komprehensif.

Ketua Pengarah Mardi, Datuk Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani berkata, pada 2022 pengeluaran nanas Malaysia secara keseluruhan adalah sebanyak 537,231 tan dengan jumlah eksport 14,455 tan menjadikan industri nanas satu sektor pertanian penting.

"Mengambil kira faktor-faktor ini, Mardi mengambil inisiatif

dalam penyelidikan dan pembangunan dengan memperkenalkan hibrid baharu nanas yang dikenali sebagai MS16.

"Ia hasil daripada kerjasama pertukaran jana plasma Mardi pada tahun 1993 dengan Marroochy Horticultural Station di Nambour, Queensland Australia membawa kepada pengenalan jenis nanas tanpa duri ke Malaysia yang kemudiannya dikacuk dengan nanas Josapine bagi menghasilkan populasi hibrid tempatan.

"Penyelidikan ini melibatkan kajian lebih 20 tahun bagi menghasilkan hibrid terbaik untuk kegunaan pasaran nanas segar negara," katanya dalam satu kenyataan.

Tambah beliau, hibrid nanas MS16 menunjukkan prestasi baik

daripada ciri saiz buah, pengeluaran sulur yang banyak untuk keperluan bahan tanaman dan bersifat toleran terhadap penyakit reput teras bakteria.

"Berdasarkan kajian penerimaan dan kecenderungan pengguna, MS16 setanding dengan varieti nanas MD2 dari segi kualiti rasa kerana rasanya yang manis dengan nilai kemanisan 16 – 21 peratus Brix, isi kekuningan, tekstur buah agak rangup, beraroma serta kurang rasa lidas.

"MS16 dapat disimpan dalam jangka masa sekitar tujuh hari pada suhu rendah (10 darjah Celsius) dan lima hari pada suhu ambien 25 darjah Celsius yang membolehkannya dipasarkan sebagai nanas segar dan produk terproses seperti jus minuman," ujarnya.