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Sustainable rice paddy management for the CBD 2020 Target -

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At the CBD COP10 to be held in October in Nagoya, the 2010 Target will be reviewed and the Post 2010 Target will be adopted. As distributed widely, the GBO-3 produced by the CBD confirmed the failure of the 2010 target. The New Target have been developed with detailed indicators and measures necessary for the better conservation of biodiversity and provision of ecosystem services. Those targets and indicators proposed to be adopted at the COP10 are closely related with sustainable rice paddy farming practices and their management. Thus it will be a great opportunity and contribution to both the CBD and the Ramsar Convention that a research and study on rice paddy is conducted in collaboration with NGOs in the Asian Region. Such a study may include status of rice paddy farming, trends in rice paddy production, pollution into and from rice paddy, traditional rice paddy management, wildlife based on rice paddy and ecological functions in rice paddy, as well as agricultural policy, and laws on rice paddy.