1. Land preparation

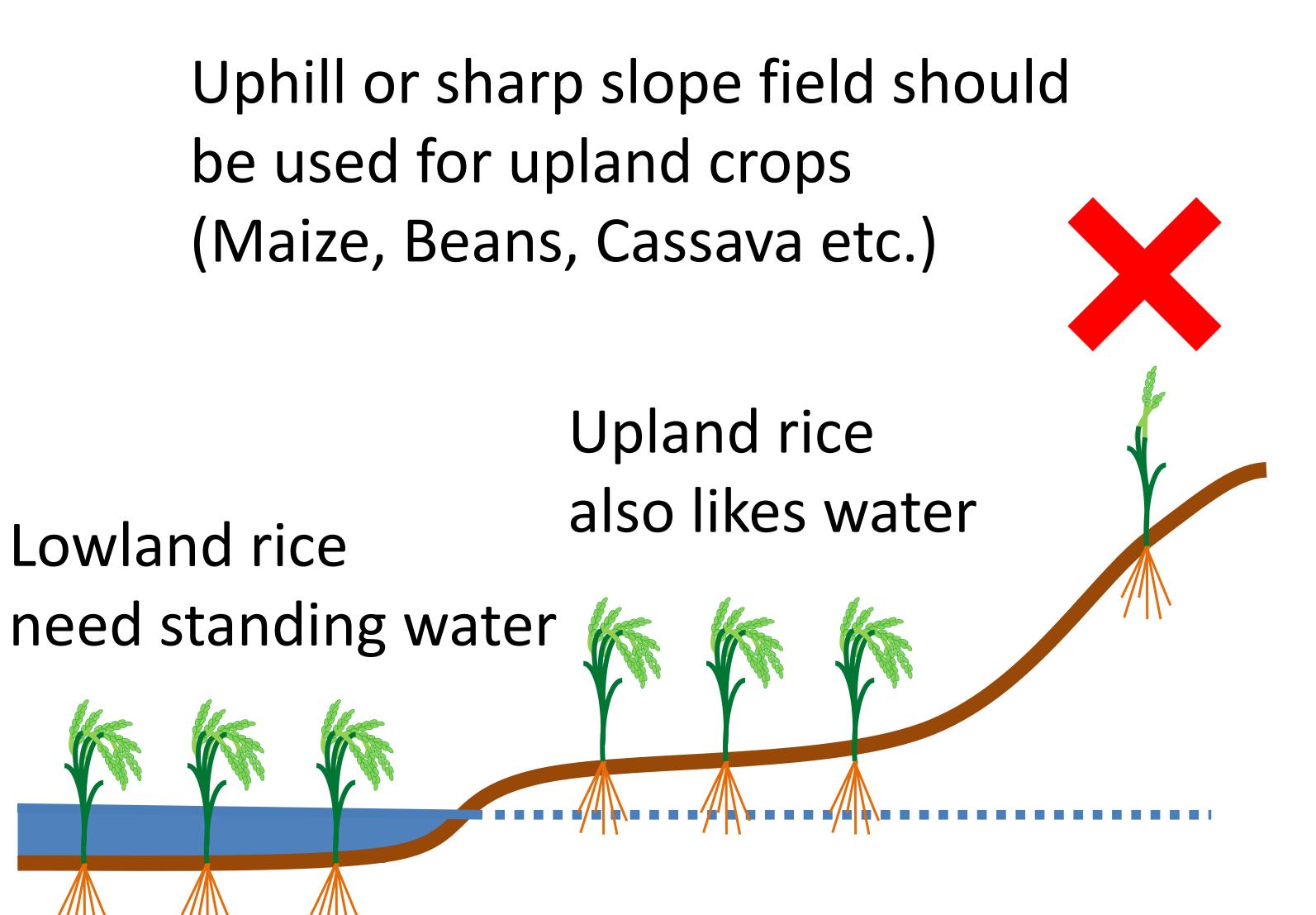
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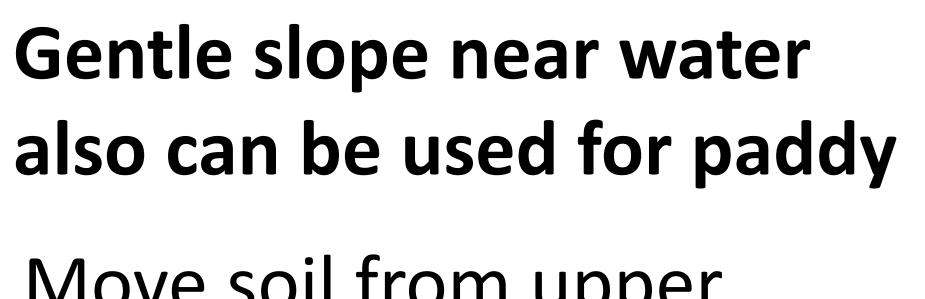






1. Suitable field for rice

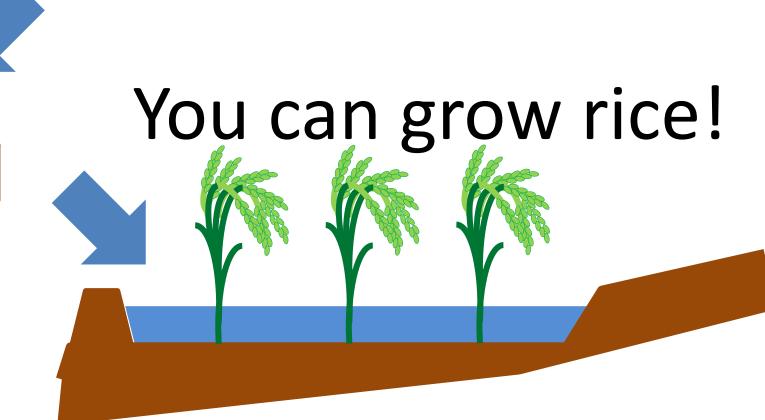




Move soil from upper part to lower part

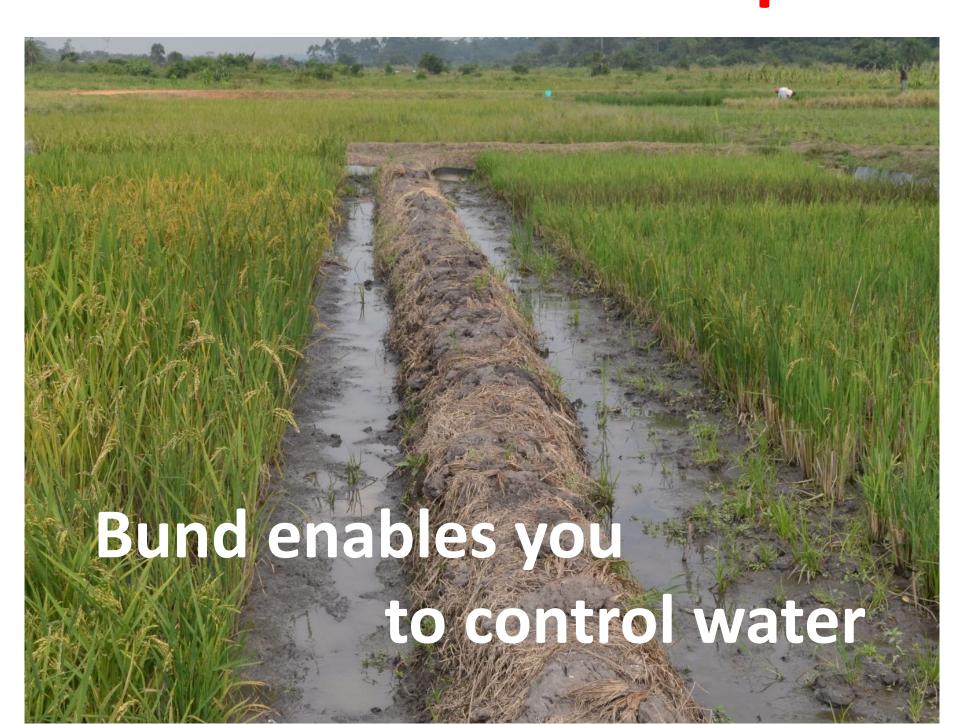


Make bund



2. Surrounding a field with bund

Bund is needed to keep water & control water in the field





Make bund before rainy season starts

30 - 40cm width are recommended

If bund is too narrow, it is easy to be broken and difficult to walk

If bund is too wide, rats make nests and planting area becomes small

3. Field leveling

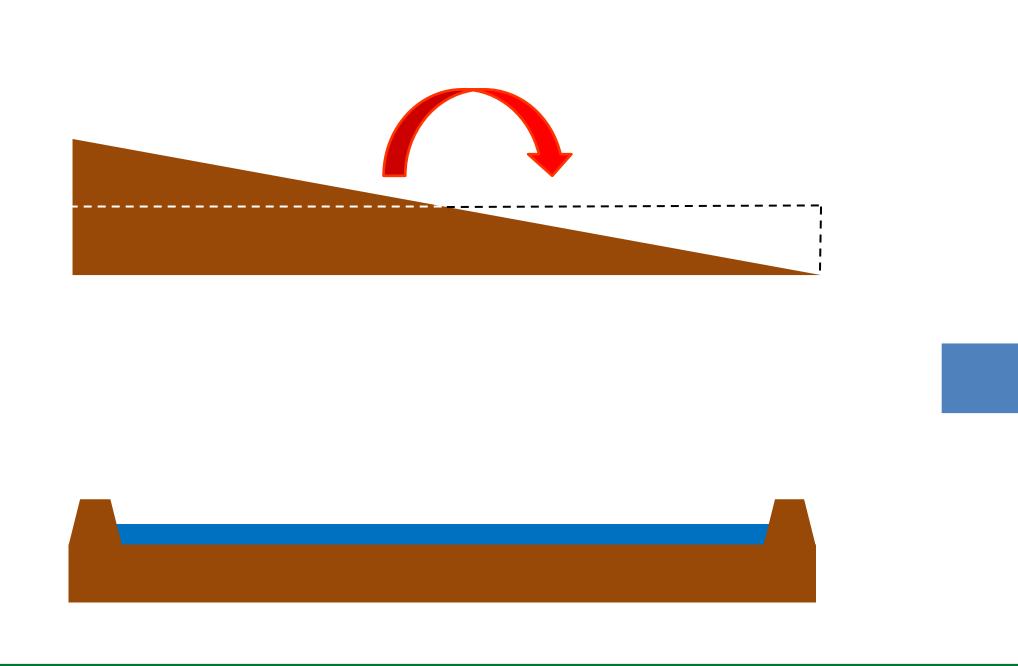


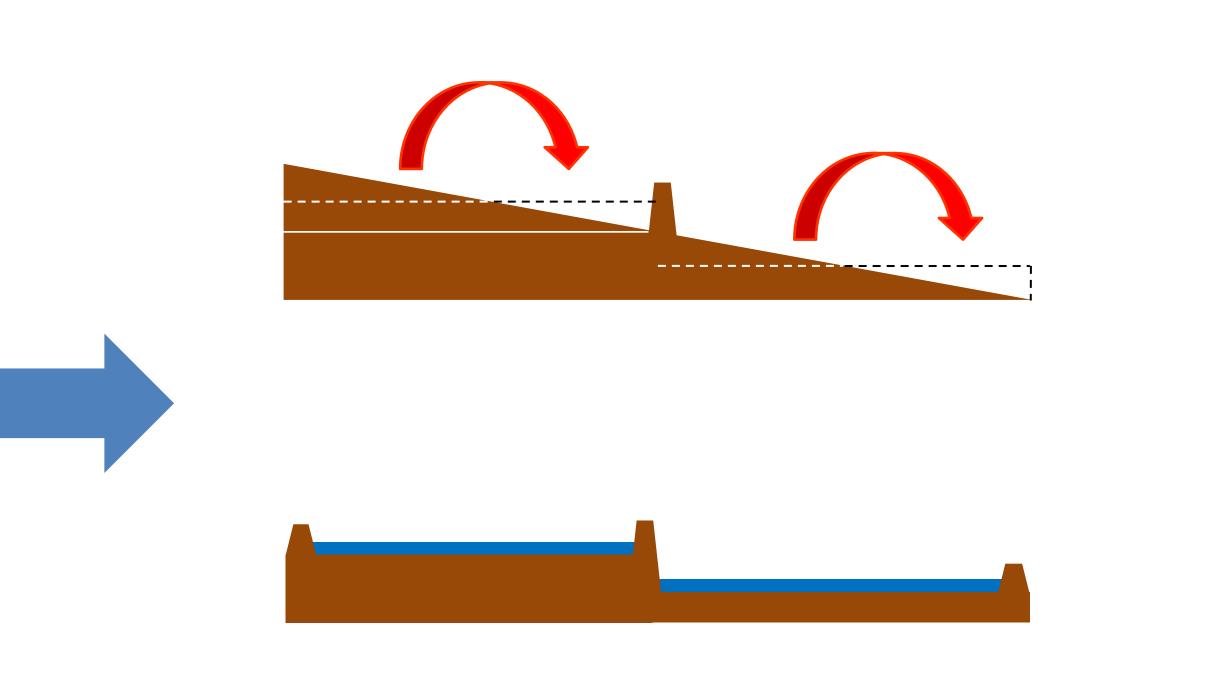
Too much water





If your field is too large to level, you can divide field into small plot with bund





2. Lowland rice variety selection









1. Variety selection flowchart

Do you have a paddy field?

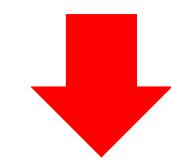


YES

NO

NERICA 1, 4, 10

Can you keep standing water during the cropping season?

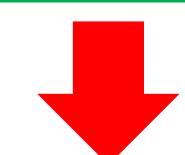


YES

NO

NERICA 4,6

Are RYMV symptoms observed in your field?

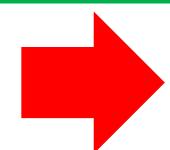


YES

NO

WITA 9, K 85, SUPA

Is RYMV damage very severe?

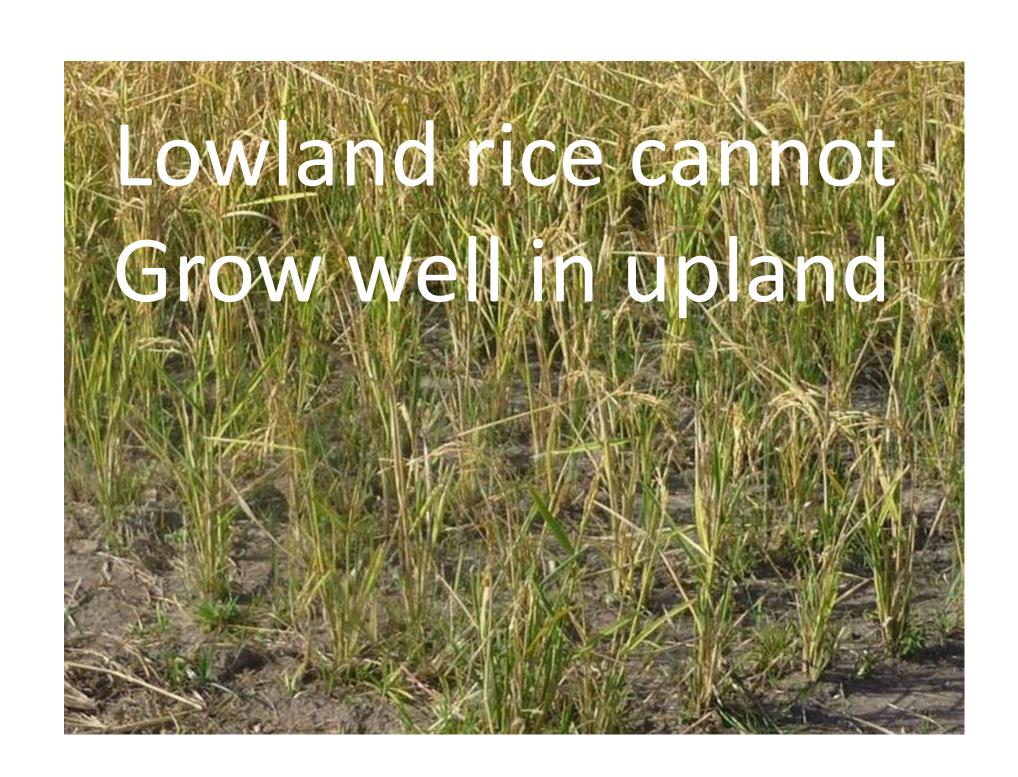


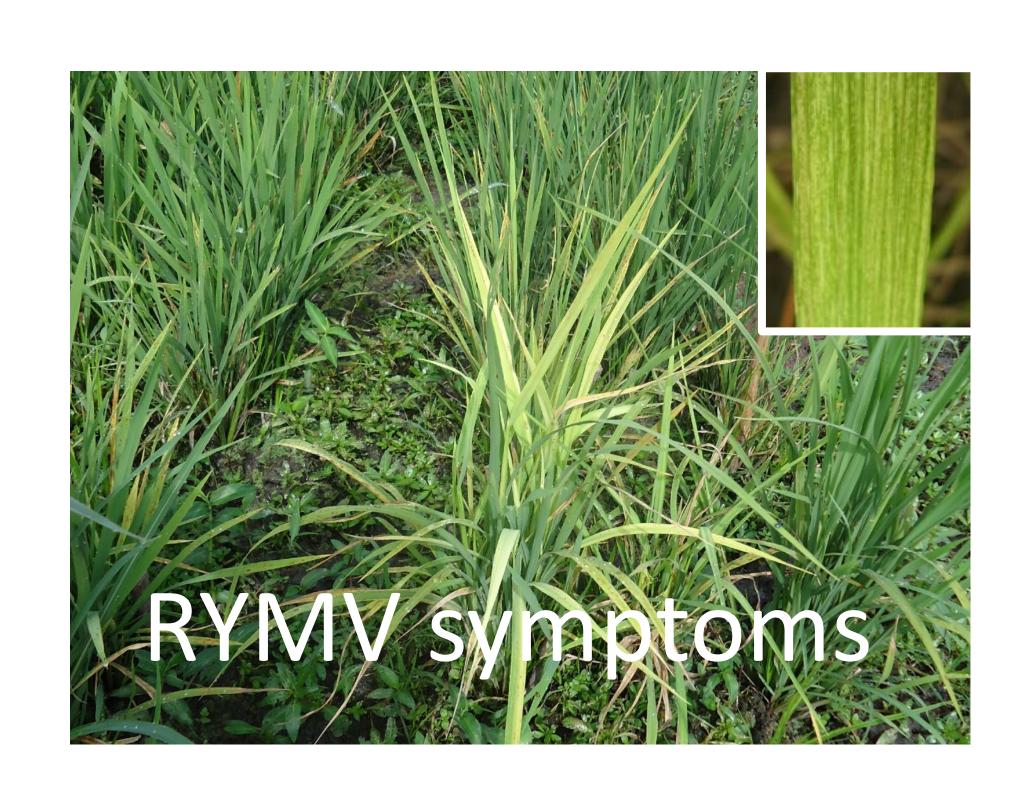
YES NERICA 6

NO

WITA 9

2. Lowland rice variety in Uganda









| Variety | Yield | Yield (with RYMV) | Maturity Period | Plant Height | RYMV Resistance |
|-------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| SUPA | 15 sack/acre | 2 sack/acre | 6 months | 140 cm | Weak |
| K 85(Kaiso) | 20 sack/acre | 6 sack/acre | 5 months | 90 cm | Weak |
| WITA 9 | 20 sack/acre | 14 sack/acre | 5 months | 85 cm | Strong |
| NERICA 6 | 15 sack/acre | 15 sack/acre | 4.5 months | 120 cm | Very Strong |

3. How to raise rice seedlings





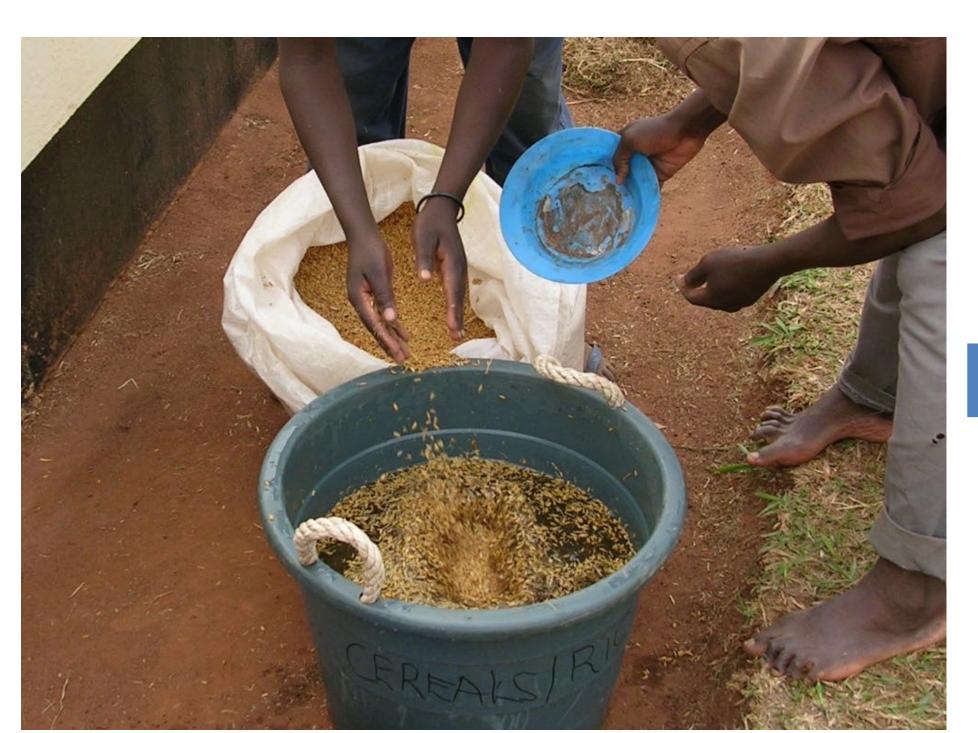




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1. Seed Preparation

How much seed is needed? 1acre = 15-20kg



Remove floating empty grains



Soak seeds in the water for 24 - 36hours



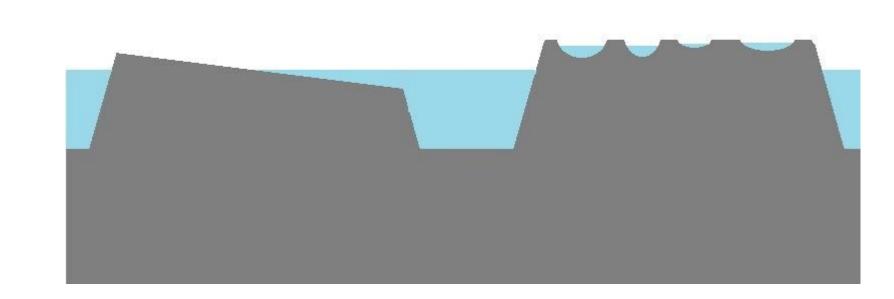
Incubate seeds in the sack for 36 - 48 hours

2. How to make nursery bed

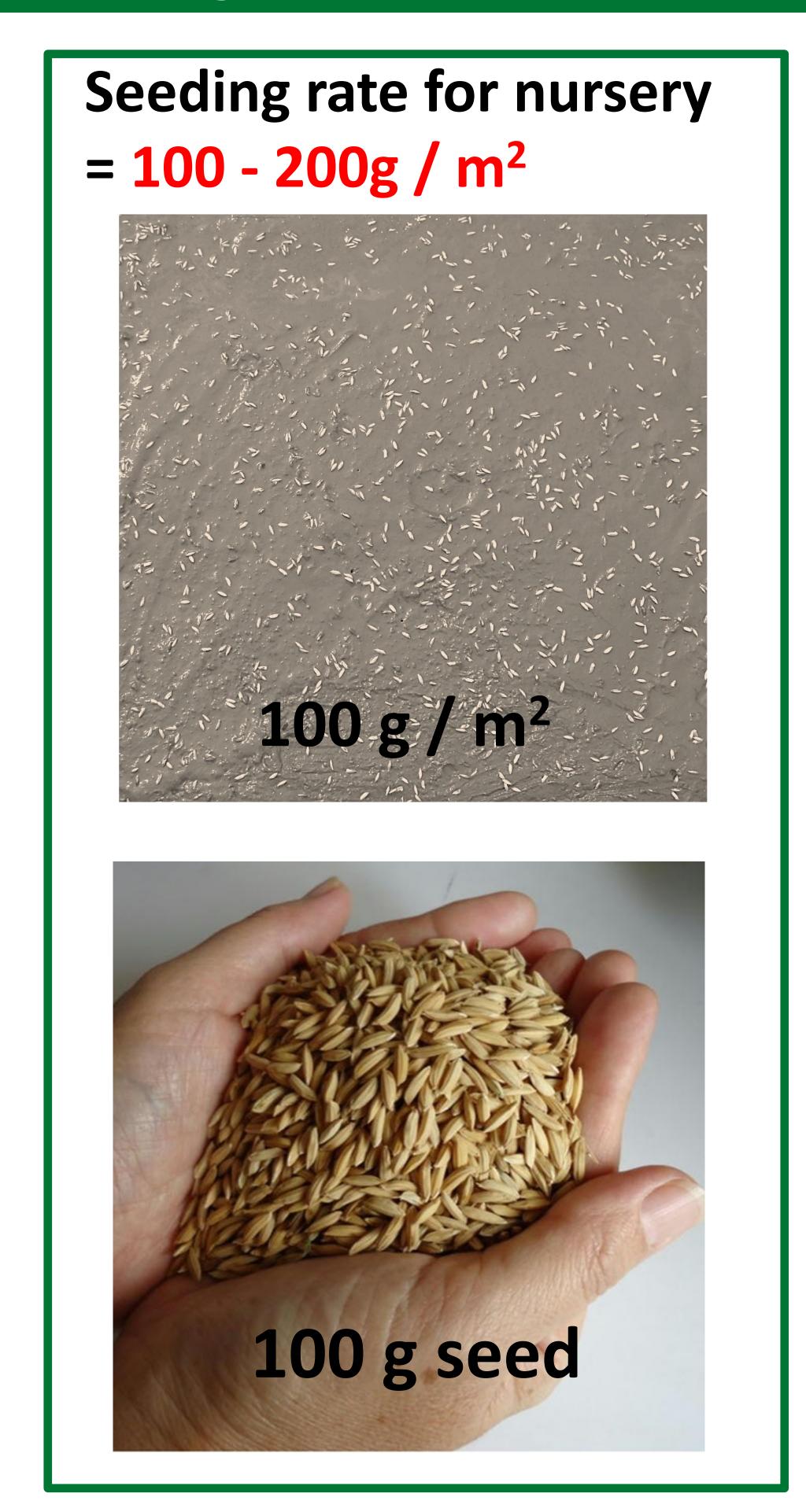


Recommended width 0.4m

Level and smooth the seedbed surface



3. Sowing





Cover beds with banana leaves or straw (Remove after emergence)



Cover seeds with soil by pushing seeds down



Seedlings will be ready after 18-21 Days

4. How to transplant rice

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1. Seedling age

Transplant

3 Weeks Seedlings

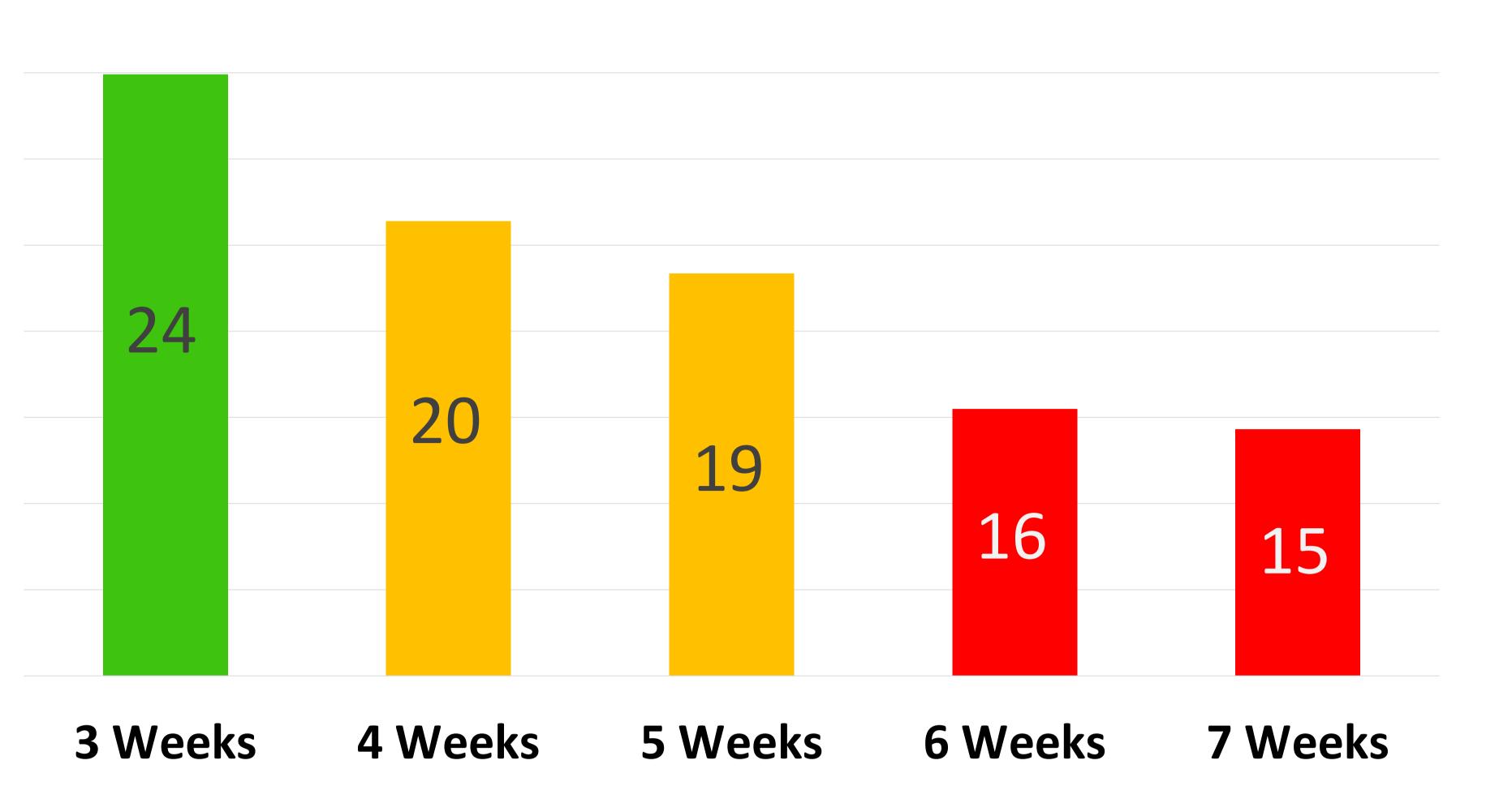
Old seedlings give you

lower yield

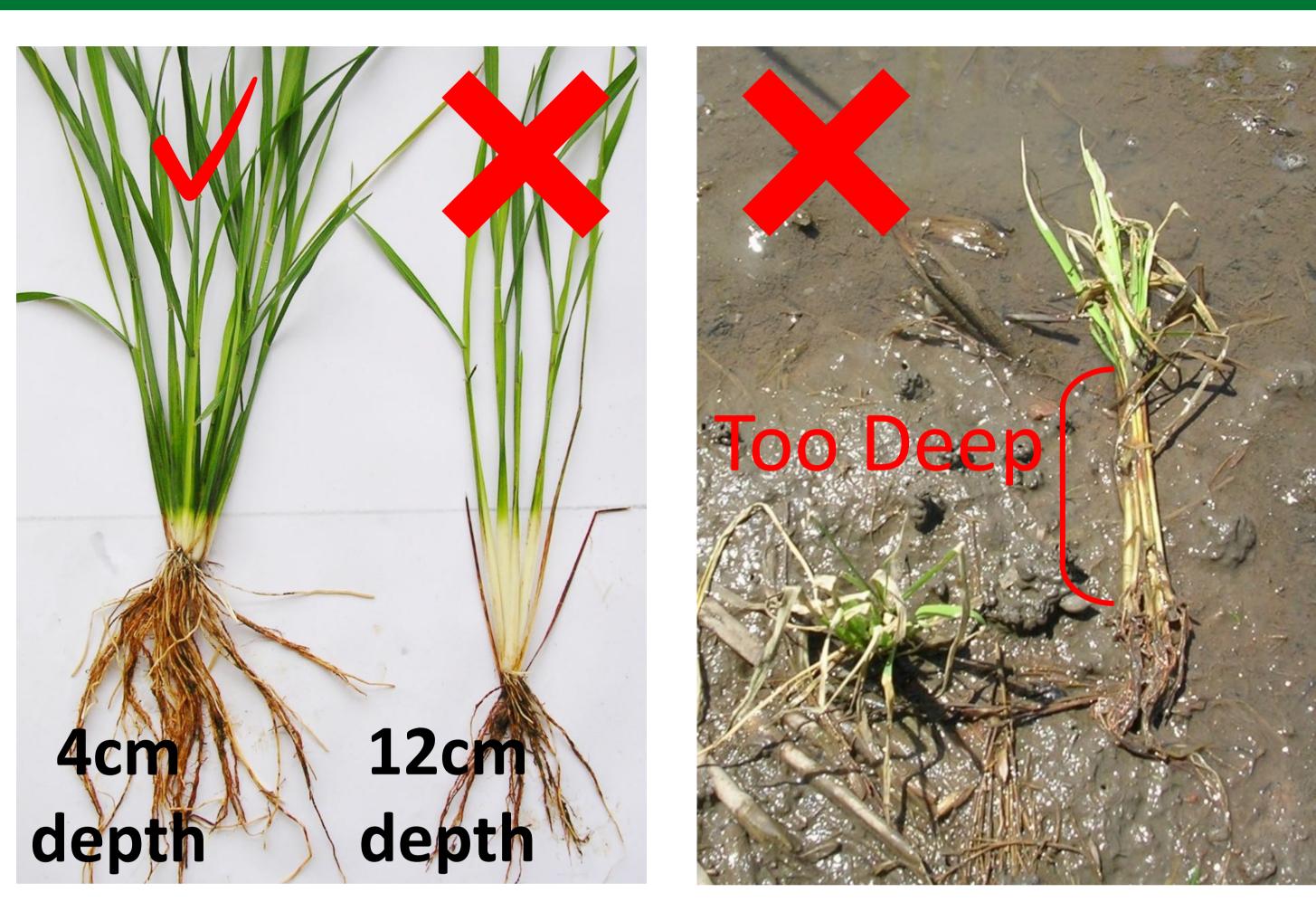
than young seedlings

If you delay transplanting 1day, you will lose 28kg/acre.

Seedling Age and Yield (sacks/acre)

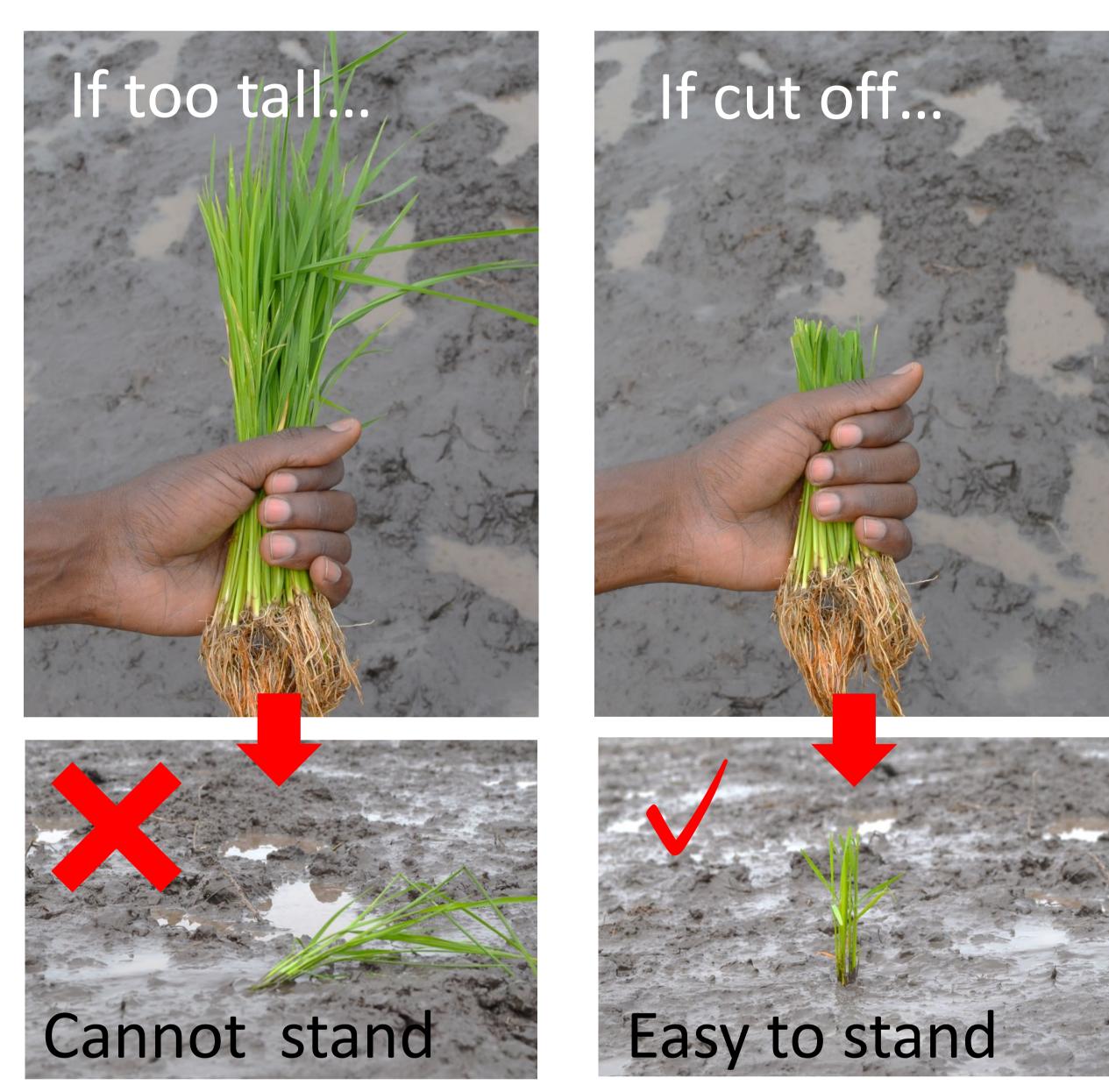


2. Transplanting depth



Insert the seedlings 2-4cm depth

Deep transplanting causes poor growth

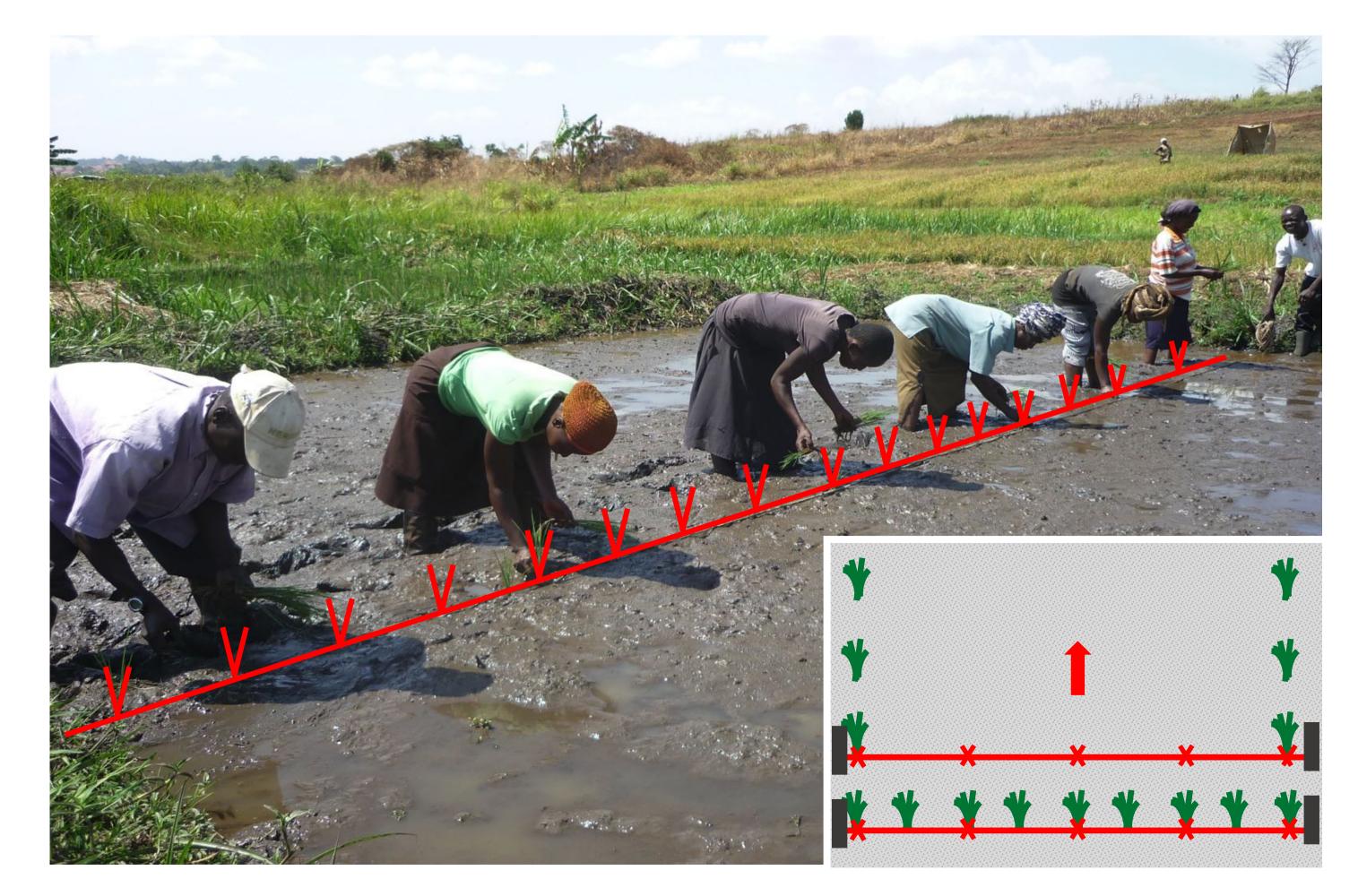


If the seedlings are too tall to stand, you can cut off the tip of the seedlings

3. Transplanting density

The optimum spacing: 30cm x 15cm

The optimum No. of seedling: 3 - 5 seedlings / hill



† Spacing for lowland rice cultivation

1 Line transplanting using a rope

