

# SRI Post-Calendar and Field Day

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Below is a picture of a new SRI poster printed in Iraq, which shows the six SRI principles in pictures and addresses the question: What Is SRI?



A **Rice Field Day** was held October 23, 2008 at Al-Mishkhab Rice Research Station (MRRS), attended by more than 400 rice farmers, by specialists from Baghdad, Kufa, Qadisiya, and Babylon Universities, by personnel from the State Board of Agricultural Research (SBAR), the State Board of Agriculture Extension and Cooperation, and the Directorates of Agriculture in Muthanna, Diwaniya and Najaf Provinces, and by many of the political and governmental chiefs from Najaf and Diwaniya provinces.



**Saleh M. Bader**, General Director of SBAR, and **Flayeh Abed Jaber**, Director of MRRS, talked widely about the benefits of SRI and about some future plans to expand SRI in two or three provinces in 2009 rice growing season.



**Flayeh Abed Jaber**  
**Director of MRRS**



**Saleh M. Bader**  
**Director of SBAR**



**View of the audience**

The Director of the Directorate of Agriculture for Al-Muthanna province also talked on SRI activities in that province during 2008. The SRI poster was distributed for all audience. SRI system received great admiration from all.



**Director of the Directorate of Agriculture in Al-Muthanna Province**  
**speaking to the Field Day participants**





**Dr. Khudhair A. Jadoa, on left, Director of former National Program of Rice Development in front of SRI trials**



**Dr. Saleh Bader, in middle, and others see MRRS trials**



**Director of Diwaniya Province Directorate of Agriculture, second from left, in MRRS field**



**Professionals from many institutions attending**