

for that matter, is very nebulous. The project target to increase "experiment station yields of 4.79 MT/ha to 6.0 MT/ha by the end of 1983" is very misleading. It is interesting to note that ORD reported yields of Tongil at experiment stations of 6.24 MT/ha in 1970, higher than the initial figure and even greater than that projected for 1983.

On the other hand, to make a comparison of actual farm production yields with those stated in the project paper is much more valid, especially in Korea where massive agricultural statistics are readily available (See Table C-2). Before the loan was made to Korea, the improved variety, Tongil, yielded 3.86 MT/ha in 1972, about 0.6 MT/ha greater than that noted in the project for that year. Every year from 1972 through 1979, the national average or farm production yields have surpassed the project goal for 1983.

During the team's discussion and observations, only three characteristics other than yield, were found to be of much concern. Resistance to blast, tolerance to cold, and shorter maturity were all cited as major constraints still to be overcome, yet several others are noted in the original project. There is still a taste preference for the traditional or japonica rice.