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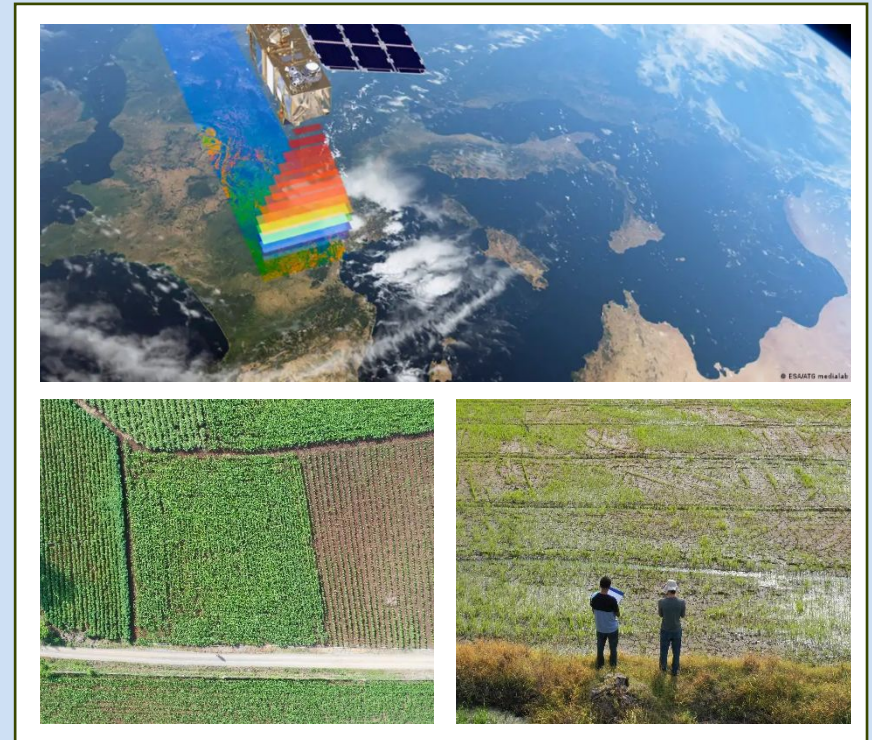


# SIDE EVENT A: Indonesia Experiences with EO Data

## THE USE OF EARTH OBSERVATION ON RICE STATISTICS

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# Background Information – Indonesia

Lead Ministry/Agency

BPS – Statistics Indonesia,  
Collaboration with Ministry of Planning

Policy mandate

Moderenization of agriculture statistics

Legislative mandate (if any)

**Stakeholders involved**

National Research and Innovation Agency, Ministry of Agriculture

**Interagency collaborations**

National Research and Innovation Agency

Privacy legislation

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Privacy considerations

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# Background Information (cont.)– Indonesia

Satellite imagery source(s)

Sentinel - 1

Type of imagery used (optical, SAR, etc.; including satellite system)

SAR

**Spatial and Temporal resolution**

10m, 12 days

Ancillary data

Area Sampling Frame (ASF) survey data as data training

Data processing (infrastructure on-site or cloud-based)

Infrastructure on-site

Area covered by EO data analysis  
(national/sub-national)

national

# Background Information (cont.) – Indonesia

Crops covered

Paddy Fields

Statistics produced (ex. Crop type mapping, area estimation)

Area Estimation of Paddy Growth Phase (Phenology)

Frequency that statistics are produced

Monthly

Dissemination of statistics

Paddy Production Data

Size of geospatial team

16 people

Roles of geospatial team

Development of the Methodology using EO

# In-situ data – Indonesia

Data/survey source

Area Sampling Frame (ASF) Survey Data

Lead agency

BPS-Statistics Data

**Sampling approach**

Area Sampling Method

Data collection approach

On the ground survey

**Variables collected**

Paddy growth phase on the sample location

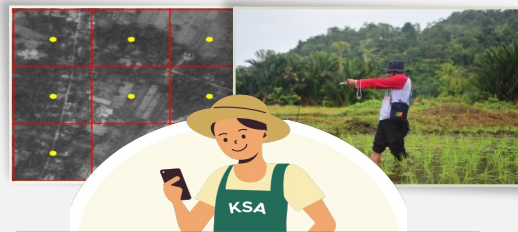
Frequency of data collection

Monthly

# RICE PRODUCTION CALCULATION

## Current Method

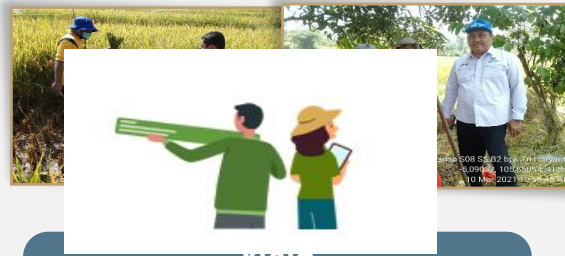
Current Method : Integrating two data collection methods



Harvested Area

Area Sampling Frame Survey  
(ASF)

On-the-ground-survey



Yield

Crop-cutting survey

Based on ASF results as a sampling  
frame



Rice Production

Dry Harvested Paddy  
(GKP) (Ton)



Objectives:

- Observing rice crops to obtain:
  - Paddy growth phase
  - Predicting the harvest time
  - Estimating the harvest area



Objectives:

- Weighing the weight of rice in a paddy field to estimate the rice productivity value.



Issues on Methodology

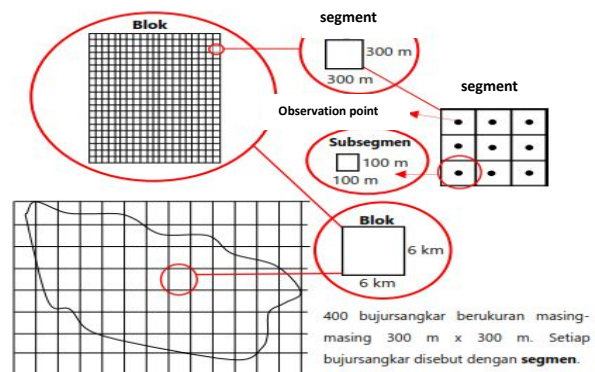
- Cost in the data collection process
- Can't capture samples in a remote area
- Risk of non-responses data

# METHODOLOGY

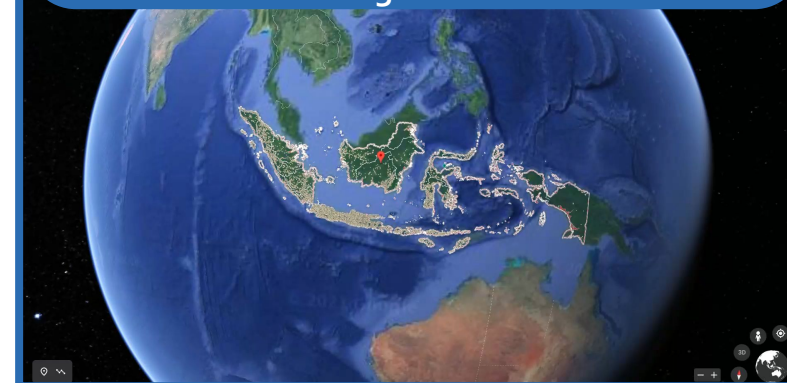
## Area Sampling Frame

Population	Rice field in Indonesia (including wetland and dryland paddy)
Sampling Frame	Area sampling frame □ segment sized 300 m x 300 m with 9 points observation in each segment
Sampling	Two phased stratified <b>random sampling</b> to choose sample segment
Number of Sample	25,493 sample segment or about <b>229.437-point observations</b>
Data Collection Method	Direct observation of rice growth phase at selected sample observation points using CAPI mode
Number of surveyor	about <b>6.000 surveyors</b>
Frequency of data collection	Monthly
Output	Harvested area, potential harvested area, area of each growth phase (including area of crop failure)
Estimation level	District/municipality and provincial level

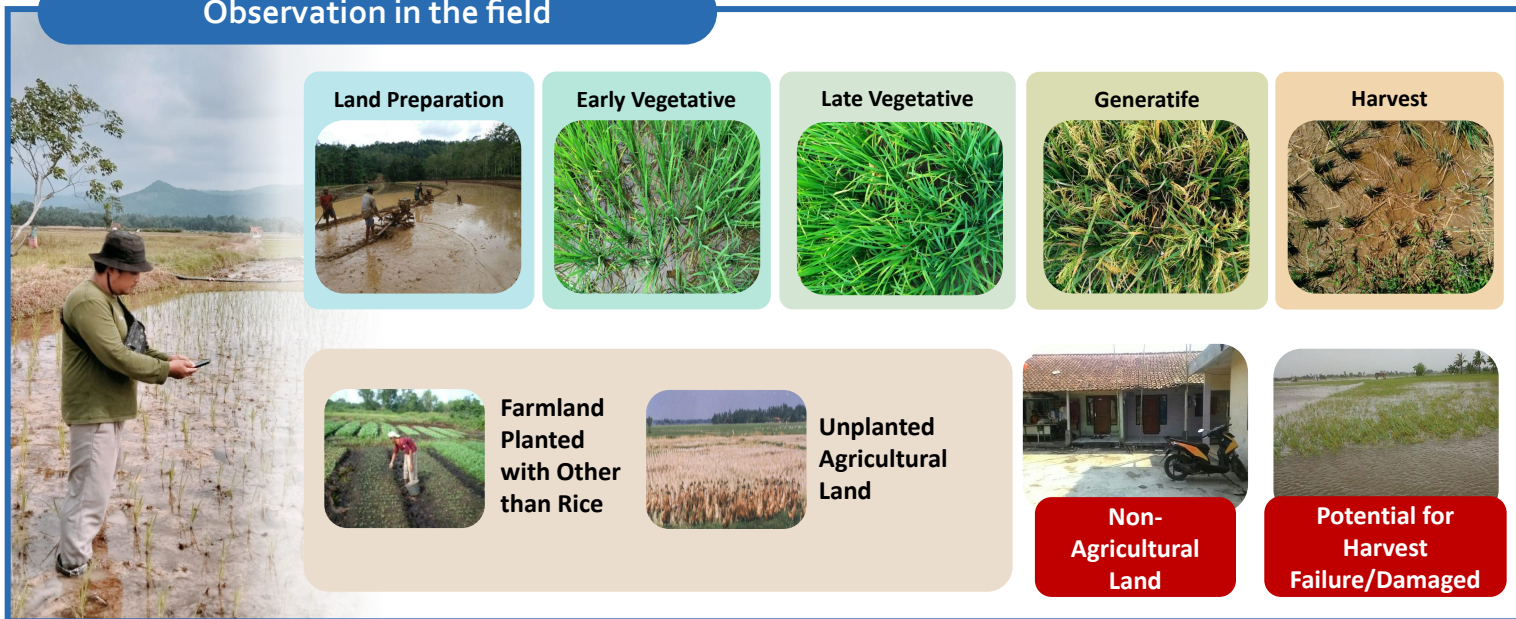
### Illustration of sample frame construction



### Visualization of sample distribution of ASF segments



### Observation in the field

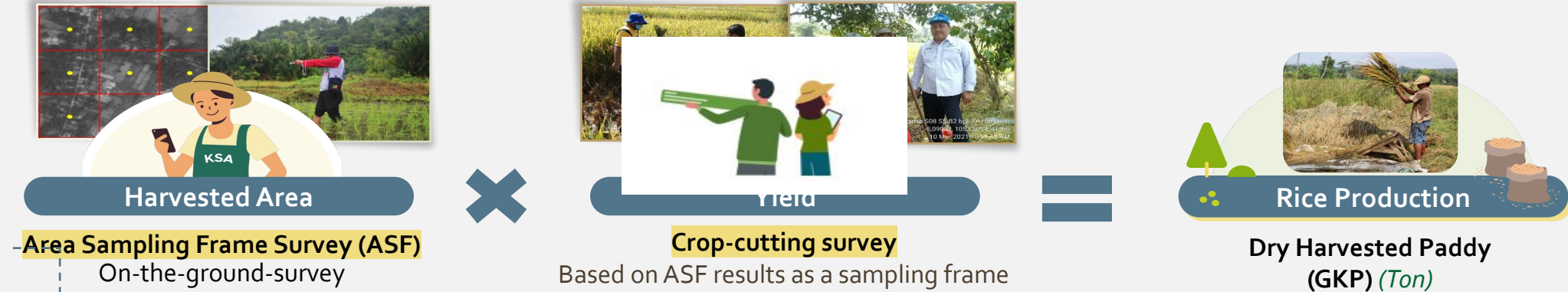




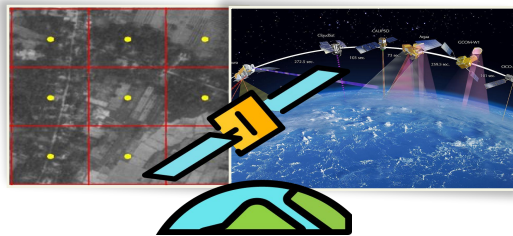
# RICE PRODUCTION CALCULATION

## Earth Observation Potential

Current Method : Integrating two data collection methods



Developing Method : Utilizing Remote Sensing for Paddy Growth Phase



Combining Remote Sensing and ASF

Using remote sensing data for predicting paddy growth phase; by collecting, interpreting, and analyzing satellite imagery data

- + Optimizing cost-effective data collection technology
- + Capturing of remote area and filling gap of non-response data

# PADDY GROWTH PHASE PREDICTION USING EO

## Remote Sensing Potential



A1	A2	A3
B1	B2	B3
C1	C2	C3

**A3 - 3 Meter**

Sub Segmen

Segmen: 61060907  
Lokasi: BATU TAJAM  
Kode: A3  
User Koordinat: 106.871319595967998, -6.233745762208439  
Jarak Amatan: 3 Meter

Amatan

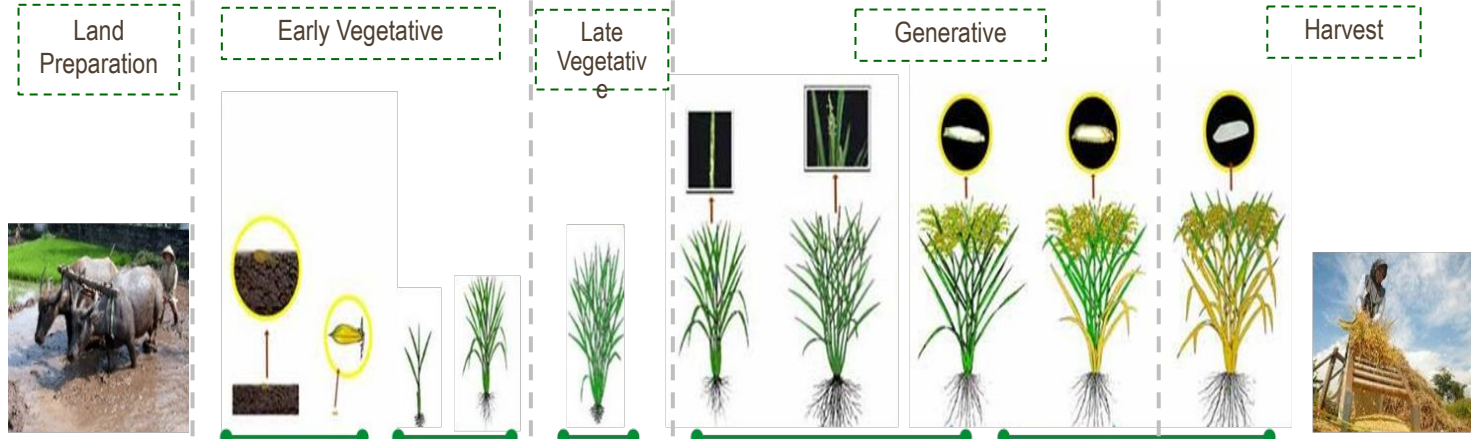
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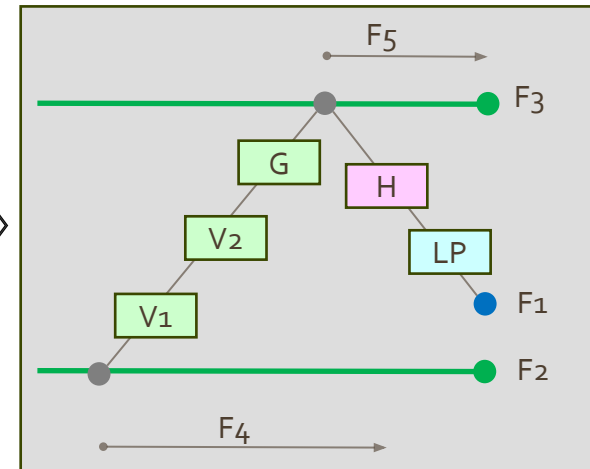
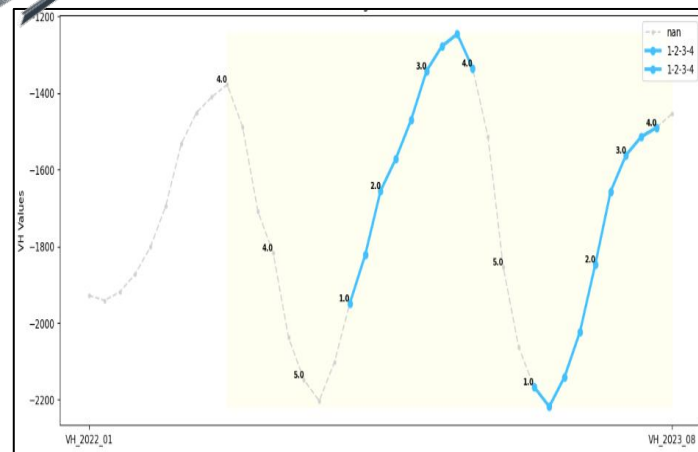
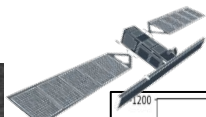
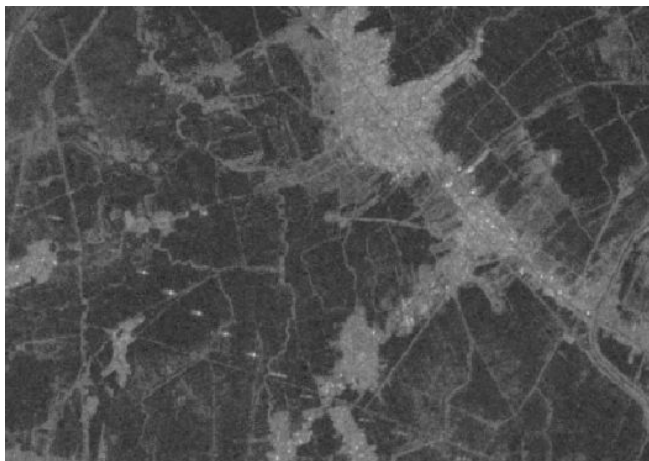
1. VEGETATIF AWAL
2. VEGETATIF AKHIR
3. GENERATIF
4. PANEN
5. PERSIAPAN LAHAN
6. PUSO
7. LUKAN PERIHANAN BUKAN PADI
8. BUKAN LAHAN PERIHANAN
12. TIDAK DAPAT DIKSES



### Paddy Growth Phase based on ASF data



### Paddy Growth Phase based on EO

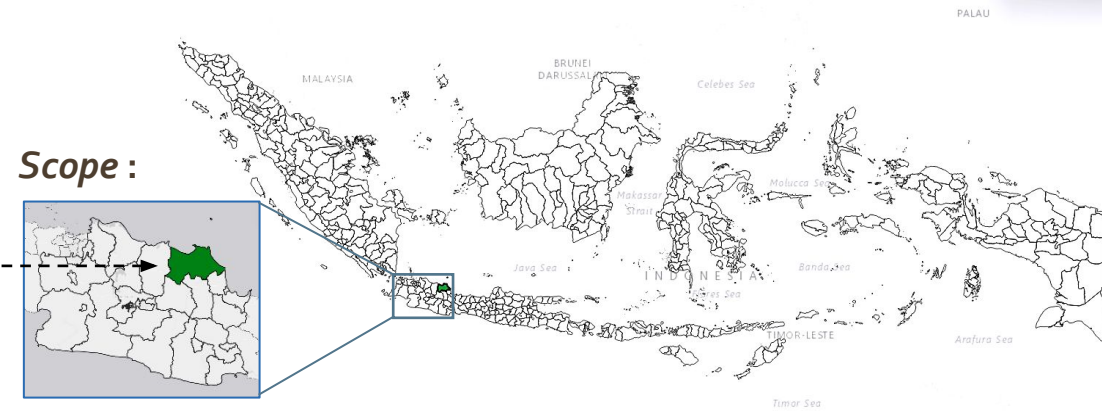


**V1:** Early Vegetative,  
**V2:** Late Vegetative,  
**G:** Generatif,  
**H:** Harvest,  
**LP:** Land preparation

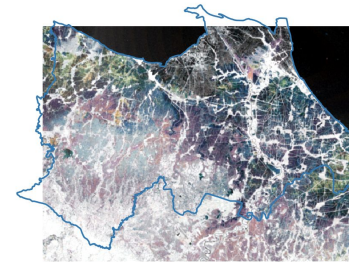
# GROUND TRUTH SURVEY (ASF) AS TRAINING DATA

## Area Sampling Frame Survey (ASF) Data

- 1 The label data used is **acquired from the ASF survey** and is undergoing modification for modeling purposes (details are **described in the table**).
- 2 The ASF data utilized spans from **April 2022 to March 2023**.
- 3 The selected area is the **West Java region**, with a specific focus on **Indramayu**.
- 4 There are **22,445 ASF points**, each labeled for **12 time points** within a one-year period.



## Sentinel-1 Satellite Imagery



Obtained through Google Earth Engine (GEE) and corrected by the national space agency.

- Sentinel-1 satellite imagery data
- Temporal resolution: **Every 12 days**
- Spatial resolution: **10 meters**



SR	Area	Label	Time	Value	...

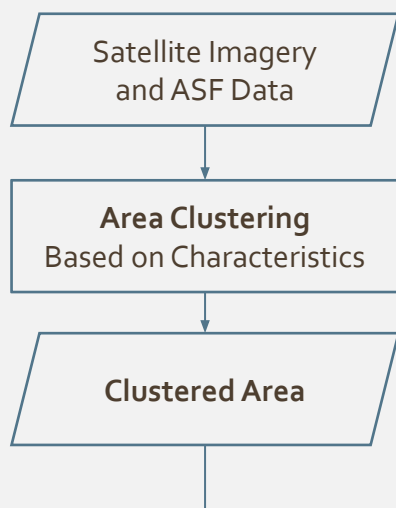
Label obtained from ASF Survey		Label for ML Modeling	
Label	Description	Label	Description
1	Early Vegetative	1	Early Vegetative
2	Late Vegetative	2	Late Vegetative
3	Generative	3	Generative
4	Harvest	4	Harvest
5	Land Preparation	5	Land Preparation
6	Potential for Harvest Failure/Demaged		
7	Farmland Planted with other than rice or unplanted agricultural land	0	Non-Paddy
8	Non-agricultural Land		

# METHODOLOGY

## 1 Area Clustering / Regionalization

**Objective:** to capture the homogenous areas based on the topological, physical terrain, paddy planting patterns, climate, etc.

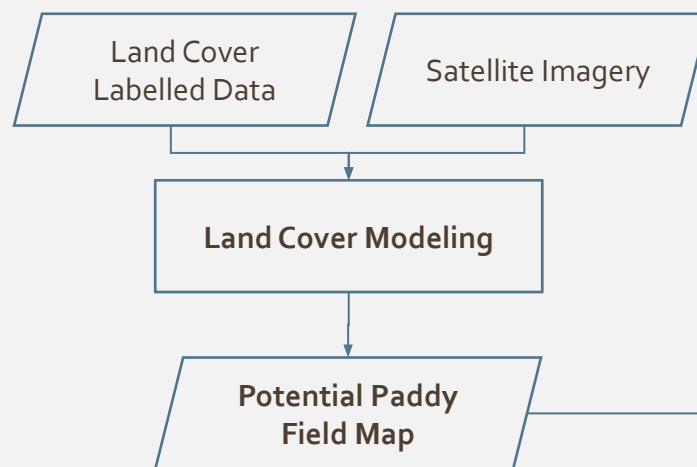
**Expected Output:** Area clustering for model separation.



## 2 Paddy-Non Paddy Classification

**Objective:** to classify areas as either paddy fields or non-paddy fields serves as a constraint for a paddy growth phase model.

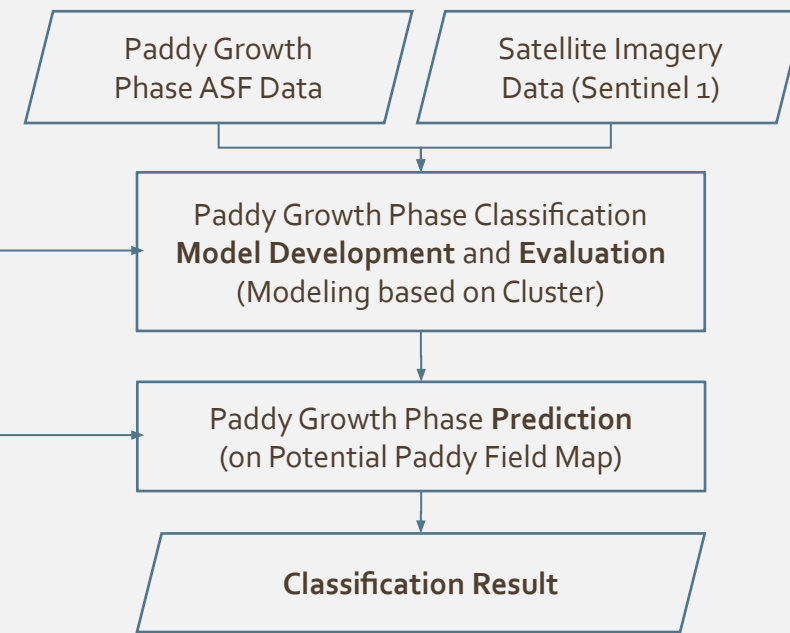
**Expected Output:** Potential Paddy Field Map for Paddy Growth Phase Classification Model



## 3 Paddy Growth Phase Modeling

**Objective:** classify areas for each paddy growth phase.

**Expected Output:** Paddy Growth Phase Classification



# MACHINE LEARNING MODEL RESULT

## Model Description:

0: Variables=[9 Extracted Feature, nth], Spatial Res: 10m    1: Variables=[9 Extracted Feature, nth], Spatial Res: 50m  
 2: Variables=[31 Series of VH Value, nth], Spatial Res: 10m    3: Variables=[31 Series of VH Value, nth], Spatial Res: 50m

Model	Pred Time	Fit Time	Mean Accuracy Train (5-fold CV)	Mean Accuracy Test (5-fold CV)	Accuracy Validation Pred	
0	CatBoost	0.012192	7.301360	0.822599	0.794576	0.823051
1	CatBoost	0.012807	7.171480	0.799096	0.774915	0.797288
2	CatBoost	0.013085	7.283956	0.856045	0.816949	0.861695
3	CatBoost	0.013710	7.076196	0.830508	0.789153	0.834576

Model include non-paddy class (class: 0,1,2,3,4,5)

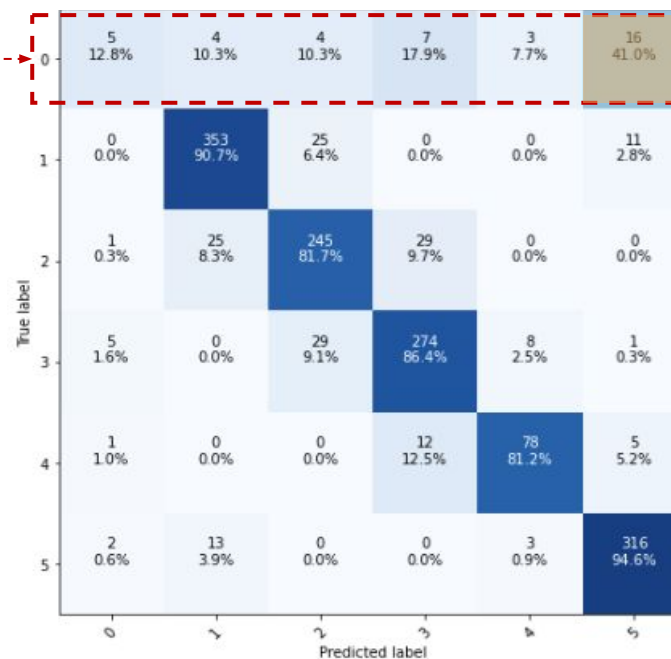
Model	Pred Time	Fit Time	Mean Accuracy Train (5-fold CV)	Mean Accuracy Test (5-fold CV)	Accuracy Validation Pred	
0	CatBoost	0.010637	4.891682	0.834611	0.835540	0.851671
1	CatBoost	0.013360	5.170701	0.808595	0.811847	0.825209
2	CatBoost	0.011519	5.947832	0.876655	0.860627	0.887883
3	CatBoost	0.012332	6.069428	0.842509	0.829965	0.865599

Model for paddy field only (class: 1,2,3,4,5)

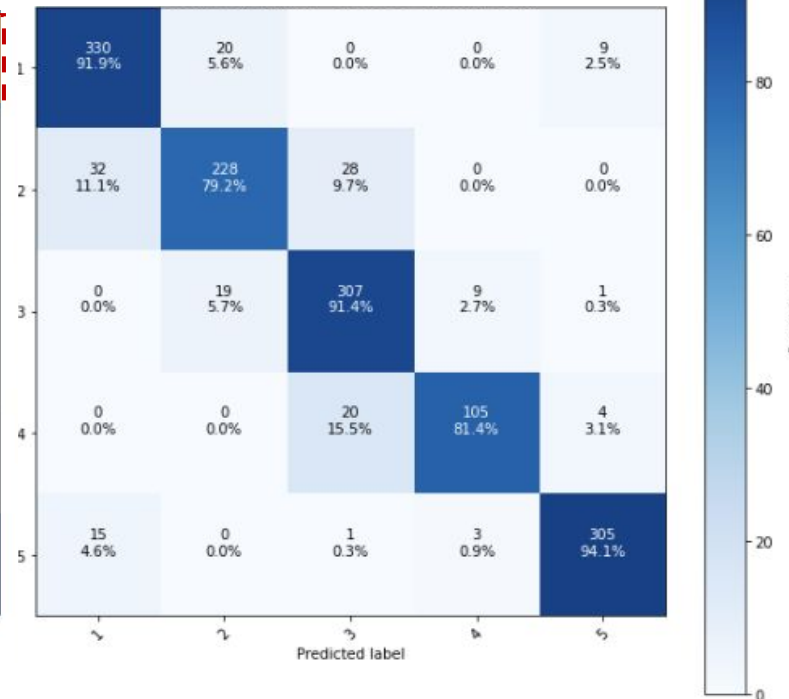
## Findings

- The modeling results indicate that using the **backscatter VH time series** in modeling produces **better accuracy** compared to using extracted features (with the differences around **2-3%**).
- Modeling results using satellite images with a **spatial resolution of 10m** yield **better accuracy** than those with 50m resolution (with the differences around **3-4%**).
- The model incorporating the non-paddy class has not been able to predict the non-paddy class optimally, likely due to the limited number of observation samples.
- The non-paddy class (0) tends to be misclassified as the land preparation class (5).

Class: 0,1,2,3,4,5 (include non-paddy)



Class: 1,2,3,4,5 (paddy field only)



# CHALLENGE OF EARTH OBSERVATION FOR PADDY GROWTH PHASE IDENTIFICATION

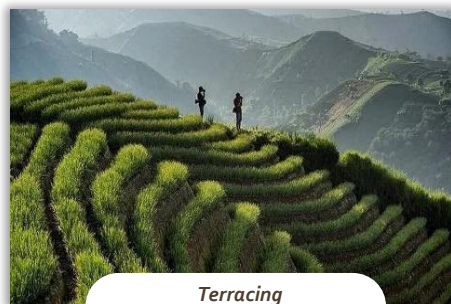
## ! Challenges

### How to capture the heterogeneity of field characteristics in Indonesia

- Paddy fields are not always continuously planted with paddy. After the harvest, the land may be planted with non-paddy crops.
- Lands in Indonesia tend to be small in size, giving rise to issues related to mixed pixels.
- land that is located in mountainous areas, which also presents a similar mixed pixels problem
- The diverse characteristics of fields such as irrigated fields, swampy fields, and dryland fields require specific models.



- **Ground Checking** to ensure the model reflects real-world conditions,
- Identify the **potential regions** for remote sensing implementation



Terracing



Mixed crops



Irrigation field



Dryland field

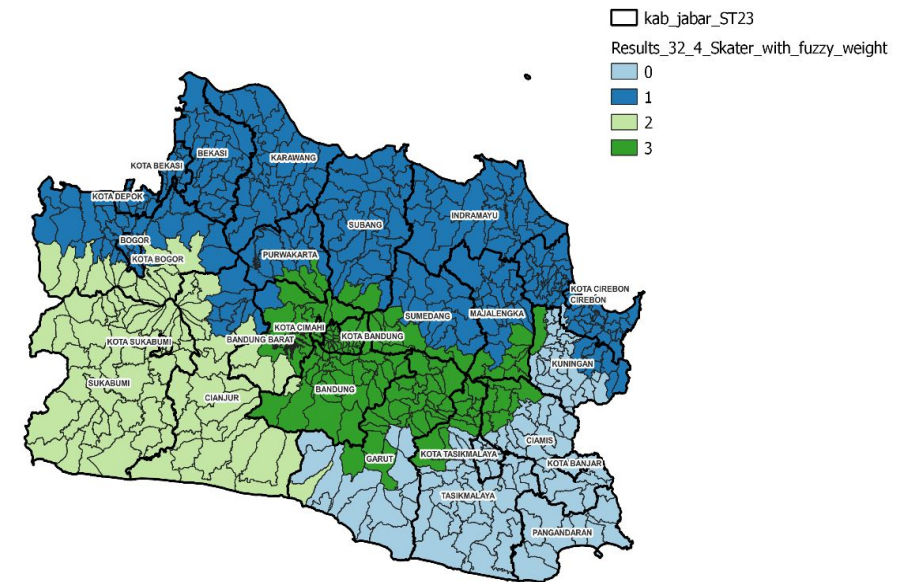


Swamp field

# RECOMMENDATIONS

## ! Recommendations

- The use of national-scale Earth Observation (EO) requires **robust infrastructure**, as numerous satellite images need to be processed for modeling. Therefore, **Data Cube** is considered as one of the recommendations to facilitate the data preparation process.
- Due to the diverse characteristics of land, **a single model may not suffice**, necessitating pre-processing steps like regional **clustering** to identify areas with similar characteristics.
- In model development, it is not sufficient to solely pursue accuracy but also to consider how the model can **be applicable when used on a large scale area**.
- Model evaluation with **ground truth** to ensure the robustness of the model.



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2	588.625892	-7.977457	-14.534776	312.600665	15079.192499
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# Thank you for your attention!

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