

2019 CLIFF-GRADS Awardees



Lai Lai

Myanmar

Studying at: University of Putra, Malaysia

Hosted by: International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines

What is your academic background?

My name is Lai Lai and I am of Myanmar nationality. I graduated from Yezin Agricultural University, Myanmar, in the year 2000. I am a staff officer at the Department of Agriculture under the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation. I studied my Master degree in Thailand in 2007 and completed in 2009 with the thesis of 'Effect of Storage Methods on Fungi, Aflatoxin Contamination and Seed Quality of Small and Large Seeded Types Peanut'. I'm completing my PhD studies at the University Putra Malaysia (UPM) on 10th January, 2019 with the thesis topic of "Utilization of rice straw biochar and urea to mitigate greenhouse gases emissions in sustainable rice production.

Which project have you been selected for?

"Compiling a structured Rice Policy Information Portal and demonstrating its potential use in mitigation projects", supervised by Dr R. Wassmann at IRRI.

How will this award impact your study?

This award is quite helpful to improve my research career and is very useful for my country because it is a developing country and we can't conduct this project by our own. I'm sure this internship program will give me a lot of deep knowledge. After completion of my studies in IRRI, I will return and give my service to my home country with my knowledge and experience gained. It also fulfils the urgent needs of human resource development in Myanmar.
