

**Agro Advisory Service for Rice**  
**ICAR - National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack 753 006**

**Strategies for Second Fortnight of May 2017**

- Summer ploughing should be done in rainfed lowland areas where direct seeded rice is grown and first ploughing should be done with Mould Board plough so that at least 15 - 20 cm of soil gets ploughed and second ploughing may be done with cultivators.
- In light soil conditions, fine tilth should be done with rotavator for direct seeding.
- Well decomposed Farm yard manure may be applied @ 2 t ha<sup>-1</sup> during the final land preparation
- Ploughing of the nursery bed for dry nursery may be started with pre monsoon showers.
- Rice varieties like Varshadhan and Durga, CR Dhan 501, Hanseswari and Sarala may be selected for intermediate deep water and CR Dhan 500, Jalamani, Jayantidhan and CR Dhan 505 for Deep water areas and good quality seeds may be procured from research institutes, Universities, KVKs, Block office (Agriculture) and reputed firms etc.
- Dhaincha seeds should also be procured from above mentioned organizations for sowing in transplanted rice areas.