

Distinct characteristics of the variety:

1. Higher yielder (45 to 55 Qtls/ha)
2. Number of earhead 10 to 12
3. 400 spikelets per panicles
4. Good plant height (150 cm.)
5. Lengthy spike 9 to 10 inches
6. Maturity period is 130-135 days after sowing
7. Grains are short & thin
8. Grain have good cooking quality and taste
9. Resistance to biotic and abiotic stress
10. Synchronous maturity



Diffusion: Jai Shri Ram paddy variety



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Sriram Govinda Lanjewar is a progressive farmer in his locality. One day he observed in his farm that some branches of a plant of HMT variety (developed by Dadaji Khobragade) in 1998 were bushier than the other branches. So he harvested them separately for growing the next year.

He sowed the separately harvested seeds and observed that some plants were different in height, health, had more number of spikelets per panicle and matured early. He harvested these desirable plants separately for sowing in the next season. He repeated this till 2002 and by then had enough seeds to be cultivated on his 5 acre land. He cultivated his newly developed variety and named it “Jai Shri Ram” (after his staunch belief in Lord Ram).

Since 2003, he has been giving the seeds of this variety to farmers in his region and neighbouring districts.