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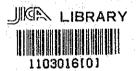
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PREFACE

In response to a request from the Government of the Republic of Zambia, the Government of Japan decided to conduct a Agricultural Verification Study at Mongu in the Western Province and entrusted the study to the Japan International Cooperation Agency(JICA).

JICA sent to Zambia a study team headed by Dr. Sadakichi FUJII(up to June 1990) and Dr. Yasuo TAKAHASHI(after June 1990), Taiyo Consultants Co., Ltd. 6 times between February 1988 and December 1992.

The team held discussions with the officials concerned of the Government of Zambia, and conducted field surveys at the study area. After the team returned to Japan, further studies were made and the present report was prepared.

I hope that this report will contribute to the promotion of Agriculture in Zambia and to the enhancement of friendly relations between our two countries.

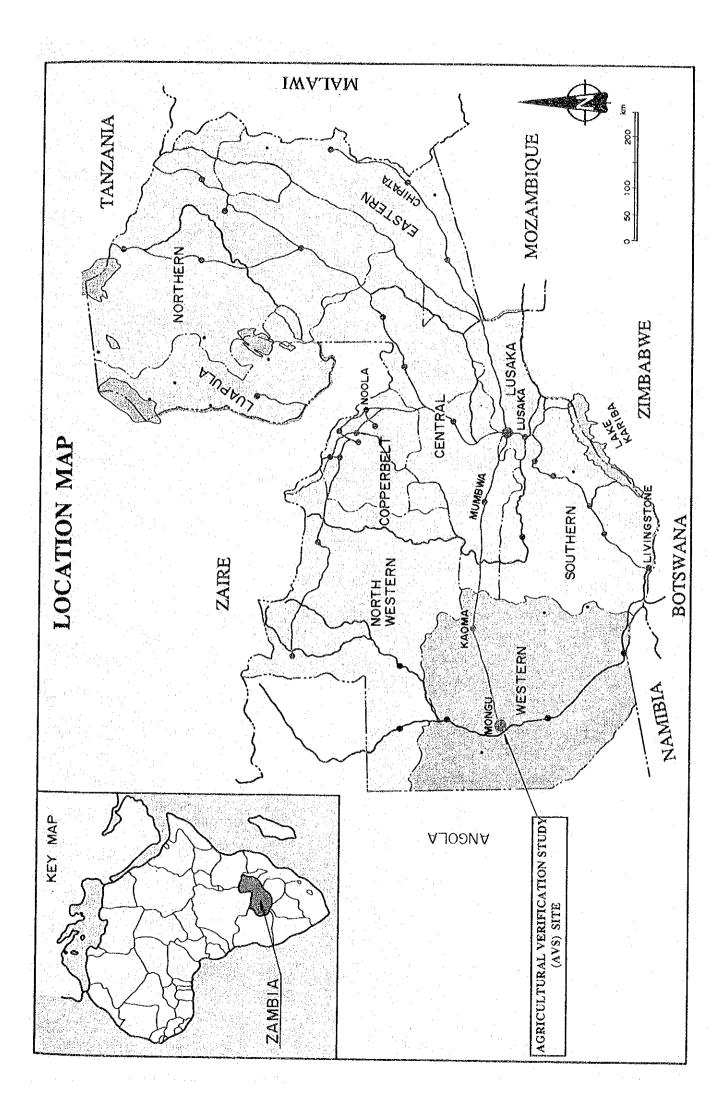
I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the officials concerned of the Government of the Republic of Zambia for their close cooperation extended to the team.

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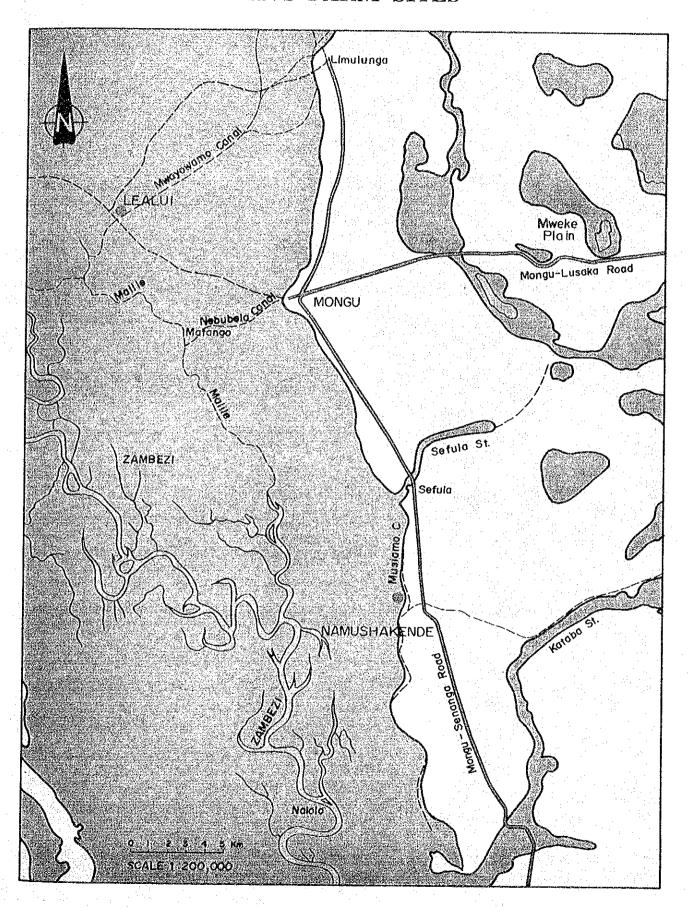
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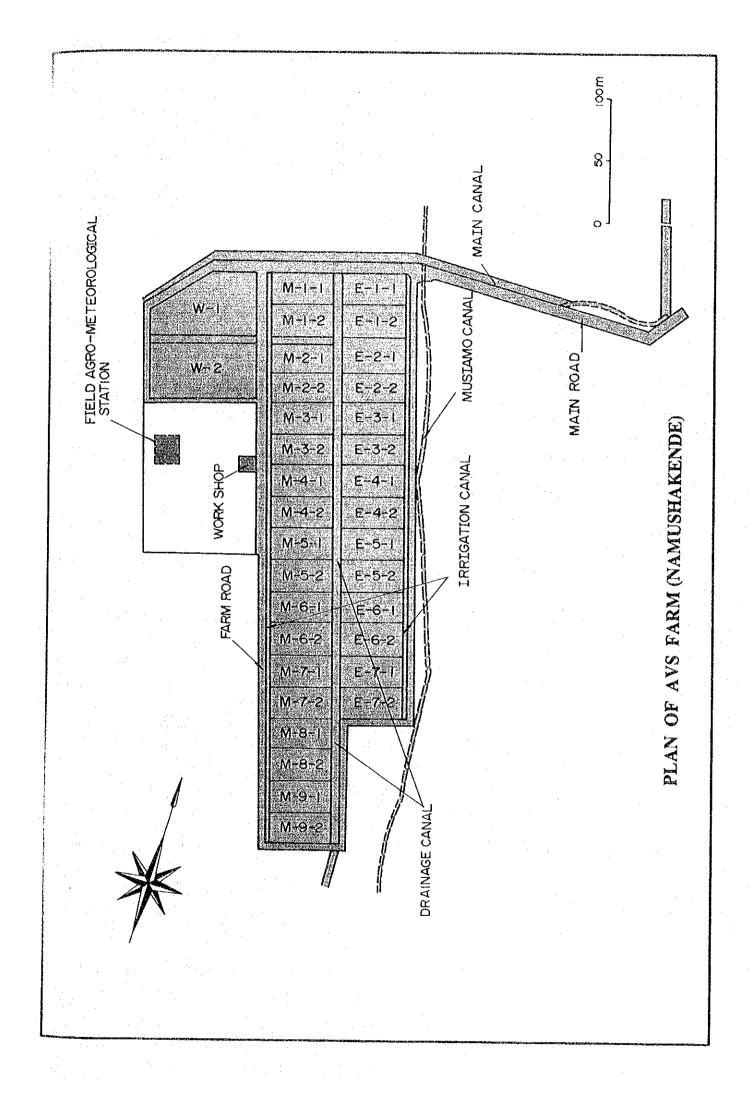
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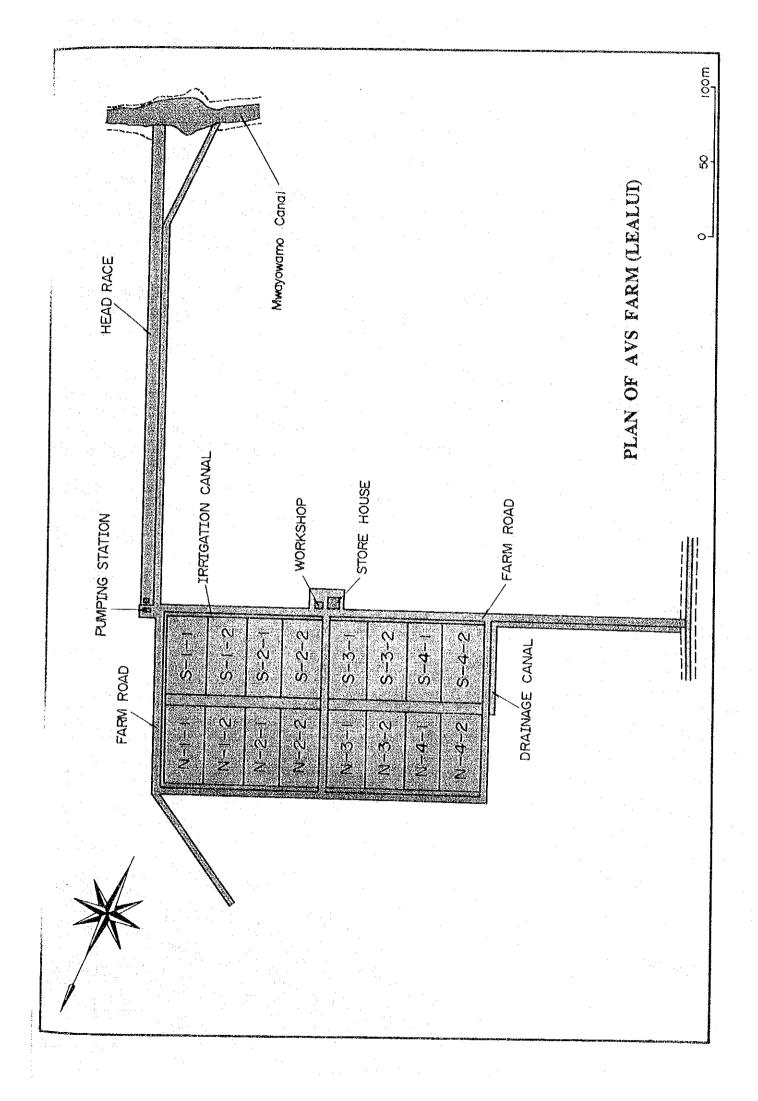
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AVS FARM SITES



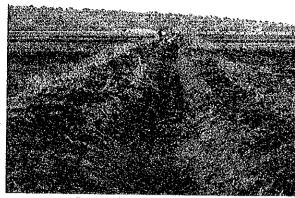




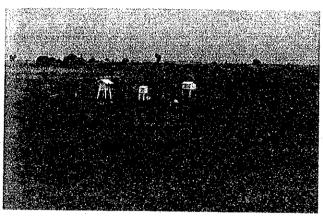
Construction of the Namushakende AVS farm



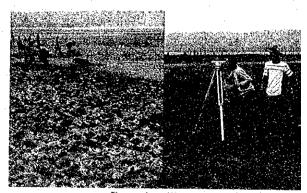
Construction of an irrigation canal



Construction of a drainage canal



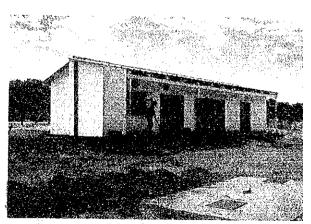
Field agro-meteorological station



Farm levelling work



Farm road and irrigation canal

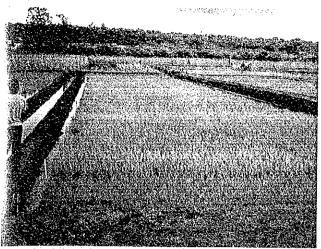


Store house

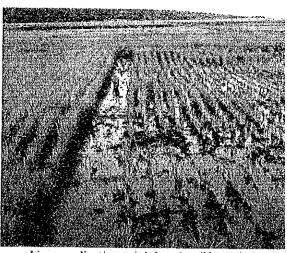


Panoramic view of the Namushakende AVS farm

Crop cultivation in the verification study (I)



Variety and sowing date trial for rice (Namushakende)



Lime application trial for rice (Namushakende) (right : no lime)



Rice straw incorporated plot in the soil improvement trial (Namushakende) (The spaces between crop stands are not seen because of vigorous growth)



Rice straw-free plot in the soil improvement trial (Namushakende) (The spaces between crop stands are easily seen because of poor growth)

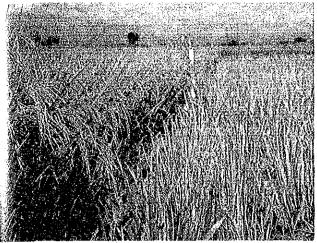


Sowing operation (On-farm trial site in Mabumbu village)

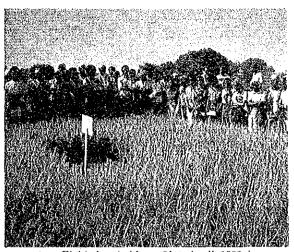


Sowing test using the 3-line drill seeder manufactured by the AVS team

Crop cultivation in the verification study (II)



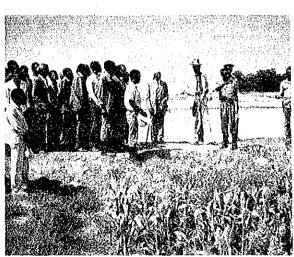
Rice plant of on-farm trial (Farm institute of Namushakende) left: Angola right: Xiang Zhou 5



Field day held on 21st April 1992 in Mabumbu village



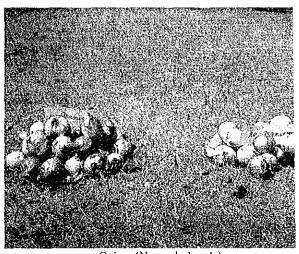
Cattle plowing (Namushakende)



King Litunga visited the verification farm (Lealui)



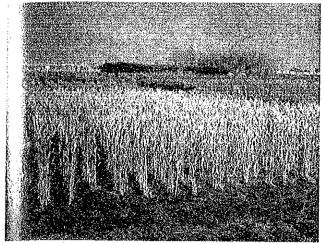
Onion on the field (Namushakende)



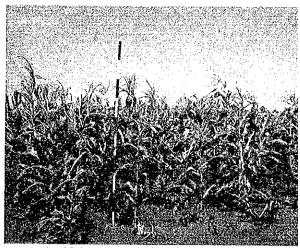
Onion (Namushakende)

left: Cattle manure applied right: No manure

Crop cultivation in the verification study (III)



Wheat on the field (Namushakende) left: No manure right: Cattle manure applied (earlier maturation)



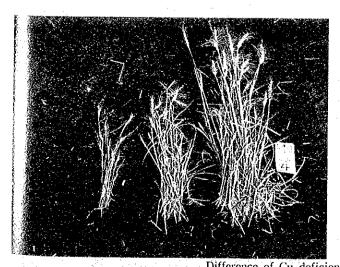
Maize on the field (Namushakende)



Tomato on the field (Namushakende)

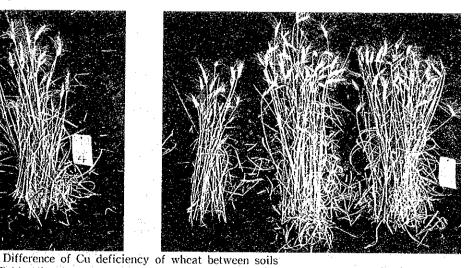


Zn deficiency symptom on maize (Namushakende)



Namushakende AVS field soil (severe deficiency)

No fertilizer Control (left) (center) Control+Cu (right)

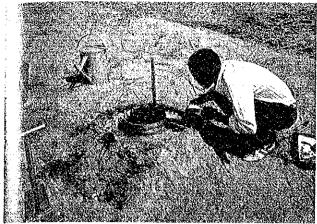


Limulunga soil (not so severe) No fertilizer (left)

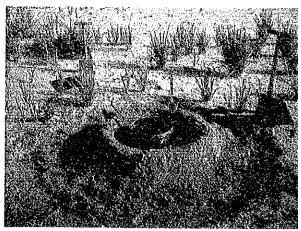
Control (center)

Control + Cu (right)

Irrigation / water management investigation



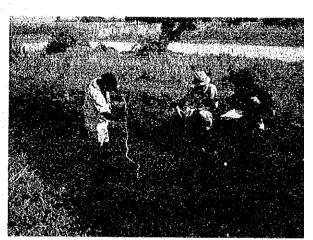
Soil intake rate investigation (Lealui)



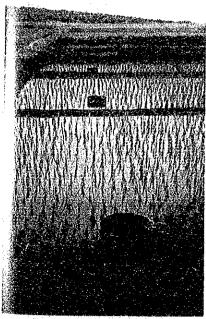
Soil intake rate investigation (Lealui)



Paddy field water requirement measurement (Namushakende)



Natural stream flow discharge investigation at Sefula



Paddy field irrigation test (Namushakende)

