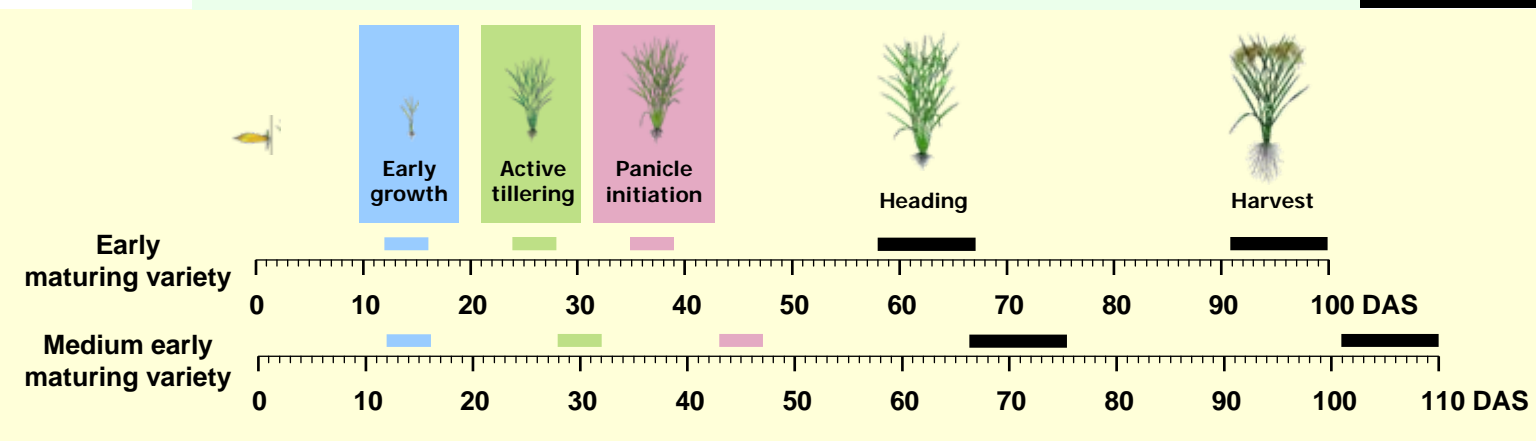




# Quick guide for fertilizing **direct-seeded rice** in the wet and dry season in Masbate



Fertilizer application scheme (bags/ha)					1 cavan = 50 kg	
Step no.	Growth stage	Days after seeding (DAS)		Fertilizer source	Yield target (based on total fresh weight from the thresher)	
		Early maturing	Medium early maturing		60-80 cavans/ha	80-100 cavans/ha
Step 1	Early growth	12 – 16	12 – 16	16-20-0 (with S)	1 bag	
				14-14-14 (with S)		2 bags
Step 2	Active tillering	24 – 28	28 – 32	Urea (46-0-0)		1 bag
Step 3	Panicle initiation	35 – 39	43 – 47	Urea (46-0-0)	1 bag	1 bag

This 'quick guide' is applicable for rice fields with:

- Sufficient supply of water to avoid drought
- An average level of soil fertility
- No input of nutrient through deposition of sediment from flooding
- No return of rice straw after threshing
- No use of organic inputs other than rice stubble

For fields with other conditions, use 'Nutrient Manager for Rice' to develop a field-specific guideline. Consult the local DA office, PhilRice, ATI, Provincial Agriculture Office (PAO), Camarines Sur State Agricultural College (CSSAC), and Agricultural Technicians in your municipality about use of 'Nutrient Manager for Rice'.