

The International Rice Research Institute
invites you to

The Dedication of the MS Swaminathan Hall

and

A Special Convocation

in honor of

Dr. Monkombu Sambasivan Swaminathan

Monday, 21 December 1987
0900 hours
IRRI Training and Technology Transfer Center
0940 hours
Service Building

This serves as an invitation

0900

- Assembly at TTTC
- Philippine National Anthem *Banda Kawayan*
Polytechnic University of the Philippines
- Remarks *Professor Kenzo Hemmi*
Chairman, IRRI Board of Trustees
- Unveiling of Marker *Dr. M.S. Swaminathan and*
IRRI Board of Trustees

0940

- Convocation at Service Building *Atty. Manuel Bartolome*
Master of Ceremonies
- Musical Numbers *Banda Kawayan*
- Dance *Association of Fellows,*
Scholars, Trainees and
Residents of IRRI (AFSTRI)
- Tribute From Scholars and Fellows
and Presentation of Plaque of
Appreciation *Dr. A. Abdul Kareem/AFSTRI*
- Presentation of Honorary
Membership *Mr. Gregorio Regalado/*
Employees' Credit Cooperative, Inc. (ECCI)
- Dance *Balikatan Sa Kalusugan (BSK)*
- Presentation of a Memento *Dr. Sulakshna Saxena/BSK*
- Dance *Philippine Institute of Certified*
Public Accountants IRRI Chapter (PICPA)
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Presentation of Plaque of
Appreciation *Mr. Alejandro Galang/
IRRI Computer Programmers and Users (CPU)*

Dance *IRRI Secretaries' Association (ISA)*

Presentation of Portrait *Ms. Linda Gabriel/ISA*

Song *Mr. Edward Barlaan and Ms. Marissa Hilos
with Mr. Edwin Jerusalem*

Dance *IRRI Junior Researchers, Inc. (IJR)*

Presentation of Sculpture *Ms. Victoria Coronel/IJR*

Tribute From Employees and
Presentation of Scroll *Ms. Aurora Argente
Council of IRRI Employees and
Management (CIEM)*

Remarks *Dr. M.S. Swaminathan*

1130

Distribution of Lunch Boxes

1200

Lunch

1330

Softball Game *Magnolia vs IRRI*

1500

Volleyball Game *IRRI Employees*

YOU

(A song for MS Swaminathan)

You've become a part of us
We just can't forget
The many things you've done
You help turn the world to green
That people may live
And see life's beauty each day

Refrain:

*You stay right in our hearts
Though we are far apart
The love you share
Will live in us forever
The times you're here with us
We'll miss these oh so much
Now that you'll leave us here
And say goodbye*

You have a golden heart
That makes men and women
learn to face life
We become a part of you
Many are behind you
Remember we love you, too

Bridge:

*We'll be missing you
Now that you will go
But remember this
We love you so.*

- Words and music by Edward Barlaan

Senior Staff Despedida
in honor of
Dr. and Mrs. M.S. Swaminathan
Sunday, 20 December 1987



International Rice Research Institute
Los Baños, Philippines



Dinner *Harrar Hall*

Program *Chandler Hall Auditorium*

The world according to IRRI
(*A disaster in six or seven acts*)

Presentation of gift

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SWAMI RIVER

Swami, how we love you, how we love you
Our dear ol' Swami
We'd give the world - to - see -
The CG run - by -
Folks like Swaminathan
Mina's - waitin' - for you,
Prayin' - for - you,
Back in New Delhi,
The folks at TAC will bug you no more
When you get to the Ganges shore. (REPEAT)

Swami, how we love ya', how we love ya'
Our dear ol' Swami,
You've got to spread - the - news -
The world has got - an -
ECOFIRE around the globe it's spreading -
Spreading farther - spreading faster -
There's not much time -
So be the vanguard, SEND OUT THE WORD,
And warn the rest of all mankind.

12-21-87

Speech by Prof. K. Hemmi, Chairman,

Board of Trustees on

21 December, 1987

Dr. Swaminathan, Dr. Lampe, Honored Guests, and
IRRI Scientists, Staff and Scholars:

It is my honor, on behalf of the IRRI Board of Trustees, to name this building in honor of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan. This building, with its state-of-the-art facilities to enhance the training and education of rice workers and thus, the transfer of improved farm technology to Third World farmers, is appropriately dedicated to a man who has himself dedicated his own life to that objective.

Research and training have been integral parts of IRRI's mandate since the Institute's inception. We have often said that the greatest measure of IRRI's success would be the success of national rice improvement programs in developing, and transferring to farmers, improved farm technology appropriate to local needs. Under Dr. Swaminathan's leadership, we have seen programs of "technology transfer" mature into programs of true "technology sharing." National programs have become equal partners in the technology development and transfer process, charting their own course and contributing to IRRI's programs, as we contribute to theirs.

Through Dr. Swaminathan's foresight, we have seen a further merging of research and training -- the two integral

pillars of agricultural development. The 25 years since IRRI's establishment have seen many national programs strengthened to the point that they are now able to do most of their own training. This facility will provide support to such programs through education designed to "train the trainers." But IRRI must continue to take the main responsibility, at least for the next few years, in training of scientists and extension workers for the less developed rice improvement programs. This building will also serve the needs of those institutions.

IRRI's greatest contribution over the next 25 years will be a supportive one, in which we assist both strong and developing national programs with innovative training methods and materials appropriate to their needs.

The most enduring monuments are not those of concrete and steel, but of what one leaves to the rest of humankind. A wise Chinese proverb is that if you want to feed a man for a day, give him a fish. If you want to feed him for a lifetime, teach him how to fish. Dr. Swaminathan has dedicated his entire career to teaching, with an ultimate objective: that someday in our lifetime, no human being will go to bed hungry.

Today, we name this building not so much to perpetuate the name of a man -- but to perpetuate the ideals that the man epitomizes.

It is a great honor to name this building M.S. Swaminathan Hall, in honor of a great scientist, educator, philosopher, and above all, humanist.

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