Current status of Agricultural Engineering Research and Agricultural Machinery strategy in Korea

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Market opening

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FTA agreement (52 countries, at 2017. 2.)



Decrease farm population and aging

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Avg. age of farmer



Ratio of over 65 ages



Change of trends

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Increase of 1~2 households ('16)



Woman economic activity : 51.8% ('16)



Increase old man 1 household



Increase of simple meal



- Instant rice, cup rice, side dish etc.
- Over 1 time at 1 week (84%)

Overall status



Threat, but new opportunity



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Farm households

	unit	'13	'14	'15	'16
total households	thousands	18,206	18,457	19,561	19,285
🗆 farm	"	1,142	1,121	1,089	1,068
(compare to total households)	(%)	(6.3)	(6.1)	(5.7)	(5.5)
•farmer age					
-under 49 years]]	9.3	8.2	9.0	7.5
-50~59 years old	11	23.4	22.5	22.7	21.4
-over 60 years	11	67.3	69.2	68.3	71.1
-over 65 years	11	53.5	55.7	53.5	55.5
* years of average	years	65.4	66.5	65.6	-

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Farm population of Rep. of Korea.

	unit	'13	'14	'15	'16
country population	thousands	50,220	50,424	51,069	51,246
- over 60 years	(%)	17.1	17.7	18.5	22.9
- over 65 years]]	12.3	12.7	13.0	17.1
* average years	years	39.3	39.8	40.4	-
□farm population	thousands	2,847	2,752	2,569	2,496
(compare to total					
households)	(%)	(5.7)	(5.5)	(5.0)	(4.9)
-over 60 years]]	47.8	49.7	50.3	53.1
-over 65 years]]	37.3	39.1	38.4	40.3
*farm population per	person	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3
household					
•woman farm population	thousands	1.461	1.412	1.305	1.275
(compare to farm population)	(%)	(51.3)	(51.3)		CSA(51

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Farm households, farm population



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Self-sufficiency of Food crops

단위 : %								Unit : %
항목 Item 연도 Year	계 Total	쌀 Rice	보리쌀 Barley	밀 Wheat	옥수수 Maize	두 류 [*] Pulses	서 류 Potatoes	기 타 Others
		전체양곡 자급도(곡물자급도)						
2000	29.7	102.9	46.9	0.1	0.9	6.4	99.3	5.2
2007	27.7	95.8	48.3	0.2	0.7	11.1	98.4	9.8
2008	26.2	94.4	36.1	0.4	0.9	7.1	98.5	7.7
2009	26.7	98.0	41.1	0.5	1.0	8.4	98.5	7.6
2010	27.6	104.5	24.7	0.9	0.9	10.1	98.7	10.0
2011	24.3	83.2	22.3	1.0	0.9	7.9	96.9	9.1
2012	22.8	86.6	16.9	0.7	0.9	9.7	95.7	10.0
2013	23.1	89.2	19.9	0.5	1.0	9.7	96.2	8.4
2014	24.0	95.7	-	-	-	~	-	~

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Number of selected agricultural machinery and ratio of agricultural mechanization



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Ratio of mechanization for rice farming

가. 수도작 작업별 기계화율 Ratio of Mechanization for Rice Farming

단위 · %							Unit - %
연도 및 시도 Year and Pro	항목 Item wince	평 균 Average	경운, 정지 Tillage	୍ର ୧୪ Transplant	수 확 Harvesting	방 제 Spray	전 조 Drying
20	002	88.9	98.8	98.4	99.1	99.6	48.6
20	004	89.9	99.1	98.4	99.4	99.5	53.2
2006		89.9	99.1	98.4	99.4	99.5	53.2
2008		90.7	99.0	99.2	99.5	99.4	55.6
2010		91.5	99.9	99.8	100.0	99.3	58.5
2012		94.1	99.9	99.8	99.9	99.7	71.6
20	14	97.8	99.9	100.0	99.9	99.0	90.1
	벼 영농규모	별 승용기계화	율 Ratio of R	iding Mechan	ization for Cul	tivating Area	
0.3 ha 미만	~0.3 ha	55.1	81.3	61.8	94.6	11.3	26.4
0.3~0.5 ha	0.3~0.5 ha	65.4	87.5	81.6	99.5	14.3	43.9
0.5~1.0 ha	0.5~1.0 ha	64.5	88.1	70.1	98.4	10.9	55.2
1.0~2.0 ha	1.0~2.0 ha	69.0	91.5	67.3	99.5	10.1	76.5
2.0~5.0 ha	2.0~5.0 ha	75.5	98.8	83.2	97.8	9.3	88.6
5.0 ha 이상	5.0 ha~	84.0	100.0	99.3	99.4	23.3	97.9

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Annual supply of selected agricultural machinery







Research of Korean agricultural engineering

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Basic research

mainly carried out by the University and the RDA
published in the Journal of Biosystems Engineering
title of the journal was changed from "Journal of Korean Society of Agricultural Engineering" to "Journal of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering" (English manuscripts) at 2012

KSAM has totally 5 working groups such as field system engineering, environmental engineering and energy, post harvest engineering, bio-engineering, and information processing.



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Basic research

In 2016, about 33.2% of KSAE published papers were on the field system engineering while 25.3% and 18.1%, respectively for environmental engineering/energy and information processing.



Research of Korean agricultural engineering

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Long-term plan : The 4IR and Precision Agriculture

- The key phrase used at the World Economic Forum in 2016 was the 4IR
- In the era of the 4IR, new technologies and new businesses that cannot be defined by existing laws and systems will be developed.
- In order for the 4IR to be rooted in agriculture, it is necessary to promote the safety of agricultural work and rural life, and to create a convenient environment for cyber technology and cloud infrastructures.



4IR technology and agricultural R&D convergence model





Illustration of the future agriculture with the 4IR



The 4th Industrial Revolution and Changes in Agricultural Production (1/2)



The 4th Industrial Revolution and Changes in Agricultural Production (2/2)







25/26 Straw management

생병짚 원형곤포 사일리지 및 기계화작업 간편화로 병짚 수거 이용률 매년 증가 추세 보고 생산량은 증가하고 있으나 병짚을 대부분 조사료로(72.4%) 이용하고 논에 돌려주는 양 (21.7%)은 매우 적음 return to field * 병짚 생산량 : ('10) 5,337천론 → ('11) 5,760 → ('12) 5,871 staw yield (thousand ton)



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Thank you for your interest



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