



An International Center
for Soil Fertility and
Agricultural Development

Success Story

Bangladesh Rice Farmer Improves His Family's Standard of Living

Farmer Abdul Jalil lives with his wife and two children near Sherodha (Jessore) Bangladesh. He and his family cultivate a 99-decimal (0.40-ha) farm, on which they grow rice. By using urea supergranule (USG) fertilizer, the farmer was able to produce 3,600 kg and 1,560 kg of rice during the Boro



2001 and Aman 2001 seasons, respectively. The farmer received a total crop income of 12,000 TK during 2001. Jalil has been using USG since 1998; the fertilizer has benefited his family in three ways. Because of increased yields and profits, he was able to repair his house, purchase clothing for his family, and pay for school costs. Jalil's life has improved in other ways since using USG: he was able to buy a cow and an irrigation pump with his profits from farming.