

## **ABSTRACT**

### **RICE FARMING INCOME AND POST-HARVEST VALUE-ADDED OF FARMERS PARTICIPATING IN POST-HARVEST PROGRAM IN EAST LAMPUNG REGENCY**

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This study aims to analyze level of income of farmer participants and non-participants of rice postharvest program, and post-harvest value-added of rice. The survey was conducted in Raman Fajar Village as the program participant and Ratna Daya Village as non-participant. From each sampled village, two farmer groups were selected purposively. The number of respondents were 25 farmers from each farmer group. Data were collected through interviews using questionnaires and analyzed using tabulation and t-test. The results showed that 1) the average rice farming income of farmers participating in the program is smaller than that of nonparticipants, 2) there is a significant difference in rice farm income between farmer participants and nonparticipants in rainy season but there is no difference in dry season, 3) the use of rice Milling Unit (RMU) gives a positive value-added to farmers participating in the program in Raman Fajar Village Raman Utara Subdistrict of East Lampung Regency.

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