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## Genetic divergence analysis in indigenous rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) germplasm of bastar

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### Abstract

The way of life in Bastar continues to be dictated by ritual. Even today, agricultural practices are traditional. Use of wooden ploughs is massive while the number of iron ploughs is stumpy. The same is true of improved rice cultivation. The number of rice varieties and hybrids are truncated while the local landraces and germplasm are privileges. The usage of traditional agricultural implements has lowered the production of agriculture but the sustainability is maintained and crop biodiversity protected. The *kharif* crops grown here are paddy, millets, urad, arhar, jowar and maize. Sustainable agriculture, in terms of food security, rural occupation, and environmentally sustainable technologies such as soil conservation, sustainable natural resource management and biodiversity protection, are essential for holistic rural development.

The research was carried out S.G. College of Agriculture and Research Station, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh. The materials was used ninety four local landraces of rice and three standard checks during *Kharif* 2016 in RBD Design, 16 qualitative and 20 quantitative characters observations was recorded. Analysis of variance showed significantly differences for all characters; out of 20, only seven principal components (PCs) exhibited more than 1.00 eigen value, and showed 77.42% variability among the traits studied. The PC1 was related to quality characters while PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5, PC6 and PC7 associated with quantitative traits.

**Keywords:** Genetic variability, bastar rice research, genetic divergence analysis, paddy diversity in bastar

### Introduction

Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) ( $2n = 24$ ) is the most significant food crops in the world and feeds over half of the over-all population. Rice has played a central role in human nutrition and culture for the past 10,000 years. However, increase in global population, projected to be 9.2 billion by 2030, predicted increase in water scarcity and decrease in arable land, the constant battle against new emerging pathogens and pests and reduced quality due to possible adverse effects from climate change will pose greater challenges for rice breeders and agricultural Scientists (Khush, 2005) [5]. The total area under rice cultivation is globally estimated to be 162 million hectares with annual global production for 2016 at 745.5 million tonnes (495.2 million tonnes, milled basis) (Anonymous, 2016). Rice is life, for most people living in Asia

Rice is one of the most important staple foods for more than half of the world's population and influences the livelihoods and economies of several billion people. (Pandey and Kar, 2017) [8] Being staple food, improving productivity and quality traits of rice always remains crucial. The quality of rice is a complex trait involving many physicochemical properties, and thus it has been a challenge to accurately evaluate quality for selection in rice breeding programs. To accomplish this, crop improvement programmes should necessarily aim at broadening the genetic base of the breeding stock (Vanaja and Babu, 2004) [12]. India has tremendous biodiversity for the landraces of rice. The number of landraces cultivated locally is rapidly replaced by improved varieties, which is causing narrowing of genetic base (Guei, 2000) [4]. Thus, reduced genetic variability underscores the need to collect landraces for ex-situ conservation and to characterize them for future rice breeding programmes based on agro-morphological traits because the evaluation of phenotypic diversity usually reveals important traits of interest to plant breeders. India is a primary centre of origin of rice and has many local landraces available in the remote tribal areas. Most of the land races are not in cultivation while many are lost and few are still cultivated by resource-poor traditional farmers in areas practising subsistence farming. They constitute an excellent reservoir of variability for several traits, resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses, quality and yield traits (Tanksley and Mc-couch, 1997) [11].

Keeping in view the above facts, the present investigation was undertaken to study the nature and degree of genetic divergence among the rice land races grown in Bastar plateau zone of

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Chhattisgarh, India which is a hot spot of biodiversity. Outcomes of investigation can be exploited in future for varietal improvement programme of rice.

### Materials and Methods

The experiment was carried out at Research cum Instructional Farm, S.G. College of Agriculture and Research Station, Kumhrawand, Jagdalpur, Bastar, Chhattisgarh, India. The experimental materials comprised of ninety-four local landraces of rice and three popular standard checks. The experimental materials were received from rice breeding section of S.G. College of Agriculture and Research Station, Jagdalpur, Bastar, Chhattisgarh. The experiment was conducted during *Kharif* 2016 in an RBD Design to assess the genetic divergence among the ninety-four local landraces of rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) and three popular standard checks namely MTU-1010, Danteshwari and CR-40 (Table 1). The

observations on various agro-morphological characters including qualitative and quantitative characters of rice were recorded *viz.* harvest index, grain yield/plant, days to 50% flowering, days to maturity, flag leaf length, flag leaf width, plant height, panicle length, number of effective tillers/plant, total number of grain /panicle, spikelet fertility, test weight, total number of filled grains/panicle, days to first heading, grain breadth, grain length, grain length breadth ratio, kernel breadth, kernel length, kernel length breadth ratio, grain shape, kernel shape. The list of characters along with descriptor is mentioned in (Table 2). The data recorded on ninety-four local landraces of rice and three popular standard checks for different quantitative characters and quality characters were subjected to the statistical analysis *viz.* analysis of variance, Genetic divergence: Principal Component Analysis.

**Table 1:** List of ninety-four local landraces of rice and three popular standard checks used in the present study.

| Entry No. | Genotypes Name   | Entry No. | Genotypes Name |
|-----------|------------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1         | Rago vati        | 20        | Narial         |
| 2         | Hiran bako       | 21        | Noni dhan      |
| 3         | Band kari        | 22        | Kal tut masilo |
| 4         | Bakti chudi      | 23        | Kari chudi     |
| 5         | Ram jeera        | 24        | Bghal mijo     |
| 6         | Bans koria       | 25        | Bhuku kuda     |
| 7         | Baria dhan       | 26        | Koog dhan      |
| 8         | Mayur funda      | 27        | Kapoor sai     |
| 9         | Lokti machhi     | 28        | Baku dhan      |
| 10        | Pat dhan         | 29        | Bhata dubraj   |
| 11        | Surmatia         | 30        | Sagi pareta    |
| 12        | Sendur senga     | 31        | Haldi ghati    |
| 13        | Tiki chudi       | 32        | Tama koni      |
| 14        | Anjani           | 33        | Bhasam patti   |
| 15        | Kadam phool      | 34        | Dumar phool    |
| 16        | Sona sari        | 35        | Bode bargi     |
| 17        | Chepti gurmutiya | 36        | Kava padi      |
| 18        | Bhata mokdo      | 37        | Koorlu mundi   |
| 19        | Kukda mor        | 38        | Anga dhan      |

**Table:** Continued.....

| Entry No. | Genotypes Name   | Entry No. | Genotypes Name  |
|-----------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 39        | Lankeshri        | 67        | Hisya dhan      |
| 40        | Rami gali        | 68        | Chagdi kaj      |
| 41        | Bhata gada khuta | 69        | Dokra mecha     |
| 42        | Rai kera         | 70        | Barha sal       |
| 43        | Kurli kabri      | 71        | Kala umari      |
| 44        | Alti mijo        | 72        | Kakda kdo       |
| 45        | Alam dhan        | 73        | Bargi dhan      |
| 46        | Ghaghar dhan     | 74        | Koosum jhopa    |
| 47        | Mudria           | 75        | Bas koriya      |
| 48        | Kari khuji       | 76        | Manki dhan      |
| 49        | Dumar phool      | 77        | Bhata kanai     |
| 50        | Pharsa phool     | 78        | Bhalu dubraj    |
| 51        | Hathi panjra     | 79        | Baso mati       |
| 52        | Karmari bhog     | 80        | Rang gada khuta |
| 53        | Godavari         | 81        | Ghdva phool     |
| 54        | Kari gudi        | 82        | Son pari        |
| 55        | Dogar kanri      | 83        | Mundra chudi    |
| 56        | Bhanvar gedi     | 84        | Mehar dhan      |
| 57        | Machi dhan       | 85        | Kormel          |
| 58        | Dhabda dhan      | 86        | Gogal sathka    |
| 59        | Kura dhan        | 87        | Dogar kabri     |
| 60        | Bhans path       | 88        | Lal makdo       |
| 61        | Barangi          | 89        | Moha dhan       |
| 62        | Goyadi           | 90        | Laycha          |
| 63        | Ram bhog         | 91        | Godandi         |

|     |              |     |               |
|-----|--------------|-----|---------------|
| 64  | Aajan dhan   | 92  | Hare krishna  |
| 65  | Masur lochia | 93  | Tagan dhan    |
| 66  | Aasan chudi  | 94  | Machhali poti |
| CH1 | MTU1010      | CH3 | CR40          |
| CH2 | Danteshwari  |     |               |

**Note:** CH=check variety.

**Table 2:** Description of agro-morphological characters.

| S. No. | Characters               | Growth stage    | Categories or type     | Symbols |
|--------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------|
| 1.     | Basal leaf sheath Colour | Vegetative      | Green                  | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Light purple           | 2       |
|        |                          |                 | Purple lines           | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Uniform purple         | 4       |
| 2.     | Auricle colour           | Late vegetative | Absent (no auricles)   | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Whitish                | 2       |
|        |                          |                 | Yellowish green        | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Purple                 | 4       |
|        |                          |                 | Light purple           | 5       |
| 3.     | Leaf blade Colour        | Late vegetative | Purple lines           | 6       |
|        |                          |                 | Pale green             | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Green                  | 2       |
|        |                          |                 | Dark green             | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Purple tips            | 4       |
|        |                          |                 | Purple margin          | 5       |
|        |                          |                 | Purple blotch          | 6       |
| 4.     | Ligule shape             | Late vegetative | Purple                 | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Acute to acuminate     | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | 2-cleft                | 2       |
| 5.     | Flag leaf angle          | Reproductive    | Truncate               | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Erect                  | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Semi-erect             | 3       |
| 6.     | Plant height (cm)        | Reproductive    | Horizontal             | 5       |
|        |                          |                 | Drooping               | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Very short (<91 cm)    | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Short (91-110 cm)      | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Medium (111-130 cm)    | 5       |
| 7.     | Flag leaf length (cm)    | Reproductive    | Long (131-150 cm)      | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Very long (>150 cm)    | 9       |
|        |                          |                 | Short (<30 cm)         | 3       |
| 8.     | Flag leaf width (cm)     | Reproductive    | Med. (30-45 cm)        | 5       |
|        |                          |                 | Long (>45 cm)          | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Narrow (<1 cm)         | 3       |
| 9.     | Date to 50% Flowering    | Reproductive    | blade Medium (1-2 cm)  | 5       |
|        |                          |                 | Broad (>2 cm)          | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Very early (<71 days)  | 1       |
|        |                          |                 | Early (71-90 days)     | 3       |
|        |                          |                 | Medium (91-110 days)   | 5       |
|        |                          |                 | Late (111-130 days)    | 7       |
|        |                          |                 | Very late (> 131 days) | 9       |

**Table 2:** Continued.....

| S. No   | Characters      | Growth stage   | Categories or type | Symbols |
|---------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------|
| 10.     | Stigma Colour   | Reproductive   | White              | 1       |
|         |                 |                | Light green        | 2       |
|         |                 |                | Yellow             | 3       |
|         |                 |                | Light purple       | 4       |
|         |                 |                | Purple             | 5       |
| 11.     | Apiculus Colour | At dough stage | Straw              | 2       |
|         |                 |                | Brown              | 3       |
|         |                 |                | Red                | 4       |
|         |                 |                | Red apex           | 5       |
|         |                 |                | Purple             | 6       |
|         |                 |                | Purple apex        | 7       |
|         |                 |                | 12.                | Awning  |
| Present | 1               |                |                    |         |
| 13.     | Awn Colour      | At maturity    | Straw              | 1       |
|         |                 |                | Gold               | 2       |

|     |                         |             |                        |   |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|---|
|     |                         |             | Brown                  | 3 |
|     |                         |             | Red                    | 4 |
|     |                         |             | Purple                 | 5 |
|     |                         |             | Black                  | 6 |
| 14. | Awn length              | At maturity | None (awnless)         | 0 |
|     |                         |             | Very short (<5 mm)     | 1 |
|     |                         |             | Short (~8 mm)          | 3 |
|     |                         |             | Intermediate (~15 mm)  | 5 |
|     |                         |             | Long (~30 mm)          | 7 |
| 15. | Date to maturity (days) | Maturity    | Very long (>40 mm)     | 9 |
|     |                         |             | Very early (<100 days) | 1 |
|     |                         |             | Early (101-120 days)   | 3 |
|     |                         |             | Medium (121-140 days)  | 5 |
|     |                         |             | Late (141-160 days)    | 7 |
| 16. | Panicle length (cm)     | Maturity    | Very late (>160 days)  | 9 |
|     |                         |             | Very short (<16cm)     | 1 |
|     |                         |             | Short (16-20 cm)       | 3 |
|     |                         |             | Medium (21-25cm)       | 5 |
|     |                         |             | Long (26-30 cm)        | 7 |
|     |                         |             | Very long (>30 cm)     | 9 |

### Result and Discussion

The outcomes of analysis of variance showed that the mean sum of squares due to the genotypes were highly significant for various quantitative and quality characters studied i.e. days to 50% flowering, days to maturity, days to first heading, number of effective tillers per plant, plant height (cm), flag leaf length, flag leaf width, panicle length (cm), total number of grains per panicle, number of filled spikelets per panicle, spikelet fertility percentage (%), test weight (g), grain yield per plant (g), harvest index (%), grain length (mm), grain breadth (mm), grain length: breadth ratio, kernel length (mm), kernel breadth (mm), kernel length: breadth ratio (Pandey and Kar, 2018) [9]. The analysis of variance for quality and quantitative character and morphological variation is presented in (Table 3, Table 4 and fig.1 to 6) respectively.

In the present study, PCA was performed for twenty agro morphological traits in local landraces of rice. As per the criteria set by (Brejda *et al.*, 2000) [3] the PC with eigen values >1 and which explained at least 5% of the variation in the data were considered in the present study. The PC with higher eigen values and variables which had high factor loading was considered as best representative of system attributes. Out of 20, only seven principal components (PCs) exhibited more than 1.00 eigen value, and showed about 77.42% variability among the traits studied. So, these 7 PCs were given due importance for further explanation. The PC1 showed 20.76% while, PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5, PC6 and PC7 exhibited 16.47%, 12.51%, 10.18%, 7.17%, 5.83% and 5.49% variability respectively among the genotypes for the traits under study (Table 5). The first PC accounts for as much of the variability in the data as possible, and each succeeding component accounts for as much of the remaining variability as possible. Component matrix revealed that the PC1 was mostly related to quality characters while PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5, PC6 and PC7 mostly associated with yield related traits. So, a good breeding programme can be initiated by selecting the genotypes from PC1 for quality aspect and for yield related traits genotypes from PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5 and PC6 can be selected. Top 10 principal component scores (PC scores) for all the genotypes were estimated in seven principal

components. These scores can be utilized to propose precise selection indices whose intensity can be decided by variability explained by each of the principal component. High PC score for a particular accession in a particular component denotes high values for the variables in that particular accession. So, genotypes showing top scores in their respective components can be selected for breeding programmes in association with the traits showing high factor loadings in their respective components. These results are in agreement with the findings of earlier workers (Sinha and Mishra, 2013; Nachimuthu *et al.*, 2014; Musyoki *et al.*, 2015; Baloch *et al.*, 2016) [10, 7, 6, 2].



Fig 1: Basal leaf sheath colour



Fig 2: Ligule shape.

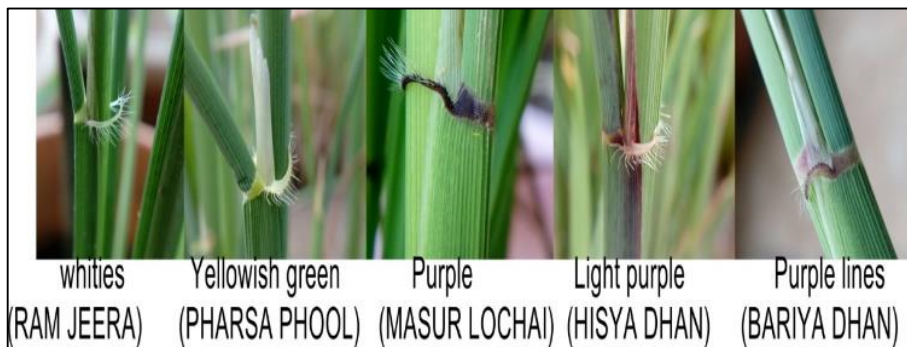


Fig 3: Auricle



Fig 4: Leaf blade colour



Fig 5: Flag leaf angle.



Fig 6: Apiculus colour.

**Table 3:** Analysis of variance for quality traits related to yield.

| Source of Variation | Degree of Freedom | Mean squares |         |        |        |         |        |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
|                     |                   | GB           | GL      | GLBR   | KB     | KL      | KLBR   |
| RSS                 | 1                 | 164.42       | 614.24  | 148.09 | 98.04  | 392.66  | 102.95 |
| TMSS                | 96                | 0.28         | 2.11    | 0.58   | 0.20   | 1.54    | 0.55   |
| ErSS                | 96                | 0.10         | 0.07    | 0.13   | 0.07   | 0.02    | 0.10   |
| F cal.              |                   | 2.82**       | 32.07** | 4.36** | 2.81** | 77.62** | 5.38** |

\*= significant at 5%, \*\*= significant at 1% p value of 0.1 level of significance DFn 96 and DFd 96 p=1.0000 p value of 0.5 level of significance DFn 96 and DFd 96 p=0.9996 GB=grain breadth, GL= grain length, GLGR=grain length breadth ratio, KB=kernel breadth, KL=kernel length, KLBR= kernel length breadth ratio.

**Table 4:** Analysis of variance for quantitative traits.

| SOV    | DF | Mean squares |           |          |         |         |        |        |
|--------|----|--------------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
|        |    | TNFGP        | TNGP      | SF       | PH      | NETH    | PL     | GYP    |
| RSS    | 1  | 5041.86      | 23289.56  | 14163.08 | 9.93    | 0.4250  | 9.84   | 7.56   |
| TMSS   | 96 | 1212.23      | 1536.46   | 38.61    | 487.63  | 4.86    | 8.26   | 55.13  |
| Er.SS  | 96 | 344.12       | 1.17      | 0.69     | 13.82   | 0.35    | 1.57   | 8.43   |
| F cal. |    | 3.52**       | 1308.13** | 56.19**  | 35.28** | 13.74** | 5.25** | 6.54** |

**Table: 4** continued.....

| SOV    | DF | Mean squares |         |        |           |        |          |         |
|--------|----|--------------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
|        |    | HI           | TW      | FLL    | FLW       | DTF    | DTFH     | DTM     |
| RSS    | 1  | 6203.14      | 6931.30 | 3.54   | 0.003     | 424.58 | 19002.06 | 0.05    |
| TMSS   | 96 | 120.20       | 60.11   | 52.74  | 0.871     | 175.09 | 113.42   | 177.03  |
| ErSS   | 96 | 1.91         | 1.74    | 7.22   | 0.006     | 52.14  | 2.61     | 13.46   |
| F cal. |    | 63.03**      | 34.50** | 7.30** | 153.594** | 3.36** | 43.43**  | 13.15** |

\*= significant at 5%, \*\*= significant at 1% p value of 0.1 level of significance DFn 96 and DFd 96 p=1.0000 p value of 0.5 level of significance DFn 96 and DFd 96 p=0.9996

HI=Harvest Index, GYP=grain yield/plant, DTF= days to 50% flowering, DTM =days to maturity, FLL=flag leaf length, FLW=flag leaf width, PH= plant height, PL=panicle length, NETH= number of effective tillers/plant, TNGP= total

number of grain /panicle, SF spikelet fertility, TW=test weight, TNFGP=total number of filled grains/panicle, DTFH=days to first heading.

**Table 5:** Principal component analysis of 20 agro-morphological traits for 97 genotypes of rice.

|                 | Components |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|-----------------|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                 | PC1        | PC2    | PC3    | PC4    | PC5    | PC6    | PC7    |
| TNFGP           | -0.056     | 0.209  | 0.473  | -0.218 | 0.060  | -0.326 | -0.052 |
| TNGP            | -0.083     | 0.228  | 0.455  | -0.144 | 0.065  | -0.261 | -0.228 |
| SF              | 0.085      | -0.003 | 0.085  | -0.202 | 0.161  | -0.329 | 0.616  |
| PH              | 0.191      | 0.240  | 0.058  | -0.166 | 0.390  | 0.191  | 0.165  |
| NETH            | 0.086      | -0.110 | 0.264  | -0.057 | -0.339 | 0.403  | 0.370  |
| PL              | 0.021      | 0.075  | 0.092  | -0.120 | 0.605  | 0.254  | -0.076 |
| GYP             | 0.102      | 0.277  | 0.185  | -0.354 | -0.289 | 0.207  | -0.005 |
| HI              | 0.027      | -0.013 | -0.031 | -0.383 | -0.370 | -0.035 | -0.384 |
| TW              | 0.009      | 0.402  | -0.346 | -0.134 | 0.001  | 0.015  | 0.041  |
| FLL             | -0.042     | -0.004 | 0.204  | -0.128 | 0.056  | 0.612  | -0.094 |
| FLW             | -0.055     | 0.208  | -0.100 | -0.122 | -0.252 | 0.016  | 0.420  |
| DTF             | 0.124      | 0.369  | 0.082  | 0.423  | -0.052 | 0.061  | -0.018 |
| DTFH            | 0.123      | 0.338  | 0.094  | 0.430  | -0.030 | 0.085  | -0.095 |
| DTM             | 0.154      | 0.210  | 0.247  | 0.327  | -0.198 | -0.084 | 0.083  |
| GB              | -0.319     | 0.311  | -0.222 | -0.053 | 0.027  | 0.065  | -0.007 |
| GL              | 0.342      | 0.182  | -0.253 | -0.082 | 0.015  | -0.003 | 0.032  |
| GLBR            | 0.446      | -0.099 | -0.042 | -0.011 | 0.025  | -0.057 | 0.002  |
| KB              | -0.360     | 0.268  | -0.199 | -0.065 | -0.028 | -0.016 | 0.020  |
| KL              | 0.342      | 0.190  | -0.201 | -0.187 | -0.033 | -0.087 | -0.174 |
| KLBR            | 0.451      | -0.075 | -0.043 | -0.071 | -0.003 | -0.035 | -0.116 |
| Eigenvalue      | 4.151      | 3.295  | 2.502  | 2.037  | 1.433  | 1.165  | 1.097  |
| Variability (%) | 20.755     | 16.474 | 12.511 | 10.184 | 7.166  | 5.826  | 5.487  |
| Cumulative %    | 20.755     | 37.230 | 49.741 | 59.925 | 67.090 | 72.916 | 78.403 |

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**Note:** Values in bold represent highly weighted factors in respective PC.

## Conclusion

Component matrix revealed that the PC1 was mostly related to quality characters while PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5, PC6 and PC7 mostly associated with yield related traits. So, a good breeding programme can be initiated by selecting the genotypes from PC1 for quality aspect and for yield related traits genotypes from PC2, PC3, PC4, PC5 and PC6 can be selected.

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