Yield and Harvesting Potentials*

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Palm oil yield is the product of the amount of fresh fruit bunches produced in the estate and its oil extracted in the oil mill. Yield of fresh fruit bunches are determined by the oil palm site yield potential and the field agronomic management practices are targeted towards achieving such potential yields. An increase in the oil extraction rates in the oil mill can be achieved by planting or replanting new high oil yielding planting material and by improving the harvesting ripeness standards.

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