



Photo 6.12. Fermenting agent for rice wine (*pdô'*).





**Photo 9.1. Diversity of panicle types in a single upland field.**

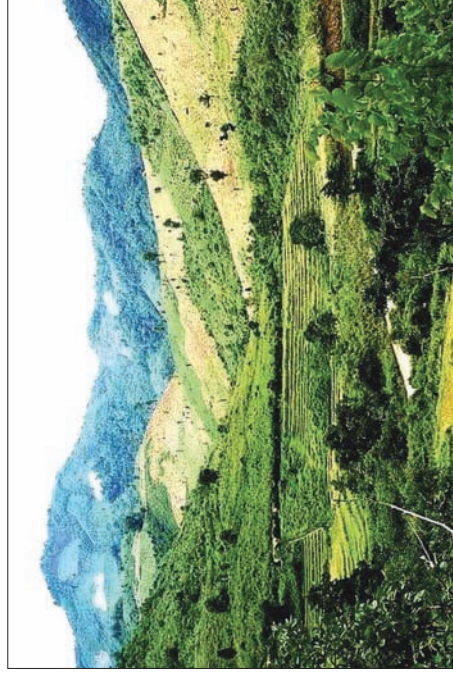


Photo 9.2. Diversity of rice-growing environments in Laos.





**Photo 10.1.1. Panicle and grain traits used in naming varieties.**



Photo 11.1. Variety Hom nang nuan.





**Photo 12.1. Purple-colored leaf sheath of a Lao black rice (*Khao kam*) variety.**





**Photo 12.2. Purple-colored panicle of a Lao black rice (*Khao kam*) variety.**





Photo 12.3. Diversity of colors in the spikelet and milled and polished grain of Lao black rice (*Khao kam*).