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The unsung hero of the Green Revolution: Dr. Surajit Kumar De Datta



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Synopsis: *The Green revolution in rice that came about due to the efforts of many scientists at the International Rice Research Institute in the Philippines was a boon to the farmers everywhere because they were able to triple their production with the new varieties and many countries became self sufficient in rice which is their major staple food. The scientist who was singularly responsible for the testing and the verification of the new variety called IR-8 in agronomy trials was a young agronomist called Dr. Surajit K. De Datta that led to the Green revolution is an unsung hero who is the subject of this blog.*

One of the most important foods in the world is rice that billions of people call their staple. They grow it in the tropical Asia but also in other climates where the conditions permit the farmers to grow it and with good results. But most of the world