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Highlights

- This study calculated economic and energy benefits of using residues in rice production systems.
- Net present value (NPV) of rice improved by 12%, after eight years of biochar addition.
- Biochar use reduced the energy intensity of rice farming by 27%.
- The existence of a carbon market could significantly enhance the profitability of biochar use.
- The ΔNPV of rice systems is sensitive to the rice price, rice yield and labour cost.

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