

FIGURE S1 | Sequence alignment of IbMYB116 with AtMYB116. \rightarrow and \leftarrow indicate forward primer (IbMYB116-F: CGATTGCCATCAAACCACA) and reverse primer (IbMYB116-R: CTCCTCCAGTTCCAAGCAGAT).

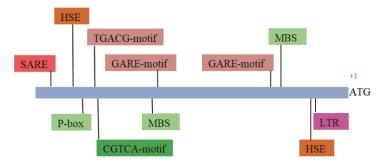


FIGURE S2 | The promoter of *IbMYB116* showing different *cis*-acting regulatory elements associated with abiotic stresses.

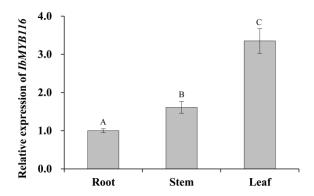


FIGURE S3 | Expression analysis of *IbMYB116* in root, stem and leaf tissues of *in vitro*-grown Xushu55-2. Data are presented as the means \pm SE (n = 3). Different capital letters indicate a significant difference at P < 0.01 according to the Student's t-test.

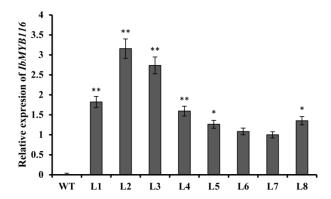


FIGURE S4 | Expression analysis of *IbMYB116* in the transgenic *Arabidopsis* plants. *Atactin* (NM112764) was used as an internal control and the relative expression levels were calibrated using the transgenic line (L7) with the lowest expression. Data are presented as the means \pm SE (n = 3). * and ** indicate significant differences from L7 at P < 0.05 and P < 0.01, respectively, according to the Student's t-test.