RICE PESTS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT

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MAJOR INSECT PESTS

Common	Scientific Name	Damage
Name		%
A. Yellow stem	Scripophaga incertulus	10-12
borer		
B. White stem	S. innotata	10-12
borer		
C. Leaf folder	Cnaphalocrocis	10-30
	medinalis	
D. Rice case	Nymphula depunctalis	10-25
worm		
E. Rice hispa	Dicladispa armigera	35-65
F. Rice gundhi	Leptocorisa oratorius	25-30
bug	L. acuta	

Management

- Clipping off tips of rice seedling before transplanting and broadcasting of black colocasia (Colocasia esculentum) cut pieces in rice field.
- Erection of Bamboo "T" perches.
- Application of carbofuran granules 3g per sq. meter at nursery bed 5-7 days before uprooting the seedling will control the rice pests up to 45 DAT.
- Release of biocontrol agent *Trichogramma* japonicum and Trichogramma chilonis @ eggs/ha/week. 50,000 6-8 releases required to control stem borer and leaf folder population in rice field.
- Beauveria bassiana, an entomopathogenic fungi is effective against rice hispa and gundhi bug as well as leaf folder of rice.
- Apantales spp. is a good larval parasitoid against lepidopteran pests of rice.

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ENTOMOPATHOGENIC FUNGI

B.bassiana infecting rice hispa & gundhi bug