## RICE PESTS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT

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## MAJOR INSECT PESTS

| Common <br> Name | Scientific Name | Damage <br> $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A. Yellow stem <br> bore | Scripophaga incertulus | $10-12$ |
| B. White stem <br> borer | S. innotata | $\mathbf{1 0 - 1 2}$ |
| C. Leaf folder | Cnaphalocrocis <br> medinalis | $\mathbf{1 0 - 3 0}$ |
| D. Rice case <br> worm | Nymphula depunctalis | $\mathbf{1 0 - 2 5}$ |
| E. Rice hispa | Dicladispa armigera | $\mathbf{3 5 - 6 5}$ |
| F. Rice gundhi <br> bug | Leptocorisa oratorius <br> L. acuta | $\mathbf{2 5 - 3 0}$ |

## 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 3 g 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 @ 50,000 eggs/ha/week. 6-8 releases is 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

