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### Interaction among genotypes and insecticides on seasonal incidence of pod borer complex and their management in pigeonpea

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#### Abstract

Efficacy of different insecticidal treatments against pod borer complex were studied and the present investigation reported that the sequential application of treatments  $T_1$ -Flubendiamide 48 SC, Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC appeared to be the best treatment showing maximum reduction (80.30%) in larval population of pod borer complex with JKM-189 genotype and also showed highest cost benefit ratio *i.e.*, 1:14.48. The next best result was obtained in genotype BAU PP 16-38 with the spraying of  $T_3$ -Emamectin benzoate 5% SG giving 68.23% reduction in larval population of pod borer complex. Lowest result was obtained with spraying of  $T_2$  - *Bacillus thuringiensis* var *kurstaki* 0.5% WP giving 49.84% reduction in larval population of pod borer complex over control. All the treatments were significantly superior over control.

Keywords: Genotype, insecticide, pod borer complex, management

#### Introduction

Pigeonpea (*Cajanus cajan*) is a perennial member of the family Fabaceae and it is named as Adhaki in Sanskrit, Arhar in Hindi, Pigeonpea in English and Tur in Bengali. It is also known as red gram, Congo pea, Gungo pea, and no-eye pea (Wu *et al.*, 2009) <sup>[1]</sup>. The pod borer complex involved lepidopteran borer's *viz.*, *Helicoverpa armigera* and *Exelastis atomosa* is attributed for the maximum economic injury in the pigeonpea (Singh and Yadav, 2005) <sup>[2]</sup>. Among these two, *Helicoverpa armigera* (Hubner) is the most damaging pest worldwide. (Shanower *et al.*, 1999) <sup>[3]</sup>. the pest can cause complete crop loss (Reed and Lateef, 1990) <sup>[4]</sup>. In the present context it is essential to know the current status of field toxicity of some newly evolved insecticides. It is rather more important as there is continuous change occurring in the crop ecosystem. It is established fact that judicious use of insecticides would certainly prove to be a boon to the mankind therefore in the present investigation insecticidal pest management studies are included to know the bio-efficacy of prevalent and some new insecticides against changing based complex in pigeonpea.

#### Material and methods:

Four treatments *viz.*, Flubendiamide 480 SC, Chlorantraniliprole 18.5% w/w SC, *Bacillus thuringiensis var kurstaki* 0.5% WP, Emamectin Benzoate 5% SG, and untreated control was imposed in all the three replications randomly. Total 36 plots of 3.5 m x 3 m size were sown with genotypes BAUPP 16-38, Birsa arhar-1, JKM-189 and spacing of 0.75 m x 0.2 m between rows and plants were maintained respectively. All the recommended agronomic practices *i.e.*, fertilizer application, thinning and weeding operations was practiced.

Mean percent reduction in larval population	= _	Mean larval population in control plots	Mean larval population	<b>v</b> 100
		Mean larval population in control plots		

Table 1: Efficacy of different insecticides against pod borer complex (H. armigera M. testulalis, and E. atomosa) in pigeonpea.

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Interaction	РТС		1 <sup>st</sup> Spray		2 <sup>nd</sup> Spray			Mean of 2	Reduction
		3 DAS	7 DAS	10 DAS	3 DAS	7 DAS	10 DAS	sprays	over control
V1	36.57 (6.09)	32.35 (5.73)	24.43 (4.99)	24.26 (4.98)	19.17 (4.44)	15.49 (4.00)	16.78 (4.16)	22.08	-
$V_2$	36.98 (6.12)	31.90 (5.69)	24.18 (4.97)	24.98 (5.05)	18.77 (4.39)	15.53 (4.00)	16.17(4.08)	21.92	-
<b>V</b> <sub>3</sub>	34.25 (5.89)	29.78 (5.50)	23.10 (4.86)	23.95 (4.94)	18.16 (4.32)	15.21 (3.96)	16.75 (4.15)	21.16	-
SEm (±)	0.634	0.55	0.42	0.75	0.68	0.34	0.22	-	-
CD (P=0.05)	2.49	2.18	1.65	2.96	2.67	1.33	0.87	-	-
$T_1$	33.44 (5.83)	16.87 (4.17)	9.57 (3.17)	11.32 (3.44)	6.14 (2.58)	3.90 (2.10)	4.61 (2.26)	8.74	79.35
T2	36.91 (6.12)	35.74 (6.02)	27.12 (5.26)	28.03 (5.34)	16.58 (4.13)	10.10 (3.26)	11.50 (3.46)	21.51	49.16
T3	32.09 (5.71)	26.69 (5.21)	17.11 (4.20)	18.22 (4.33)	9.73 (3.20)	6.54 (2.65)	7.69 (2.86)	14.33	66.13
T4	41.29 (6.46)	46.07 (6.82)	41.83 (6.51)	40.02 (6.37)	42.33(6.54)	41.11 (6.45)	42.49 (6.56)	42.31	-
SEm (±)	0.99	0.74	0.69	0.73	0.51	0.50	0.46	-	-
CD (P=0.05)	2.96	2.20	2.04	2.16	1.51	1.49	1.37	-	-
$V_1T_1$	35.17 (5.97)	19.9 (4.52)	9.87 (3.22)	11.26 (3.43)	6.16 (2.58)	3.57 (2.02)	4.9 (2.32)	9.28	78.65
$V_1T_2$	37.03 (6.13)	36.2 (6.06)	27.2 (5.26)	28.53 (5.39)	16.77 (4.16)	10.4 (3.30)	11.67 (3.49)	21.80	49.84
$V_1T_3$	32.67 (5.76)	24.6 (5.01)	16.64 (4.14)	18.13 (4.32)	9.8 (3.21)	6.23 (2.59)	7.43 (2.82)	13.81	68.23
$V_1T_4$	41.4 (6.47)	48.7 (7.01)	44.06 (6.68)	39.13 (6.30)	43.93 (6.67)	41.77 (6.50)	43.13 (6.61)	43.45	-
$V_2T_1$	34.77 (5.94)	17.33 (4.22)	9.87 (3.22)	11.2 (3.42)	6.47 (2.64)	3.87 (2.09)	4.27 (2.18)	8.84	79.14
$V_2T_2$	38.03 (6.21)	35.43 (5.99)	27.2 (5.26)	28.17 (5.35)	16.33 (4.10)	10.27 (3.28)	11.23 (3.42)	21.44	49.39
$V_2T_3$	32.7 (5.76)	28.16 (5.35)	17.93 (4.29)	18.8 (4.39)	9.93 (3.23)	7.37 (2.81)	8.2 (2.95)	15.07	64.44
$V_2T_4$	42.43 (6.55)	46.7 (6.87)	41.73 (6.50)	41.77 (6.50)	42.33 (6.54)	40.63 (6.41)	41 (6.44)	42.36	-
V <sub>3</sub> T <sub>1</sub>	30.4 (5.56)	13.36 (3.72)	9(3.08)	11.5 (3.46)	5.8 (2.51)	4.27 (2.18)	4.67 (2.27)	8.10	80.30
V <sub>3</sub> T <sub>2</sub>	35.67 (6.01)	35.6 (6.01)	26.97(5.24)	27.4 (5.28)	16.63 (4.14)	9.63 (3.18)	11.6 (3.48)	21.31	48.18
V <sub>3</sub> T <sub>3</sub>	30.9 (5.60)	27.3 (5.27)	16.77 (4.16)	17.73 (4.27)	9.47 (3.16)	6.03 (2.56)	7.43 (2.82)	14.12	65.65
V <sub>3</sub> T <sub>4</sub>	40.03 (6.37)	42.83 (6.58)	39.7 (6.34)	39.17 (6.30)	40.73 (6.42)	40.93 (6.44)	43.33 (6.62)	41.12	-
SEm (±)	1.62	1.25	1.11	1.32	1.02	0.82	0.73		-
CD (P=0.05)	5.06	3.94	3.46	4.35	3.46	2.59	2.23	-	-
CV. (%)	8.33	7.11	8.63	8.93	8.16	9.76	8.38	-	-

 $V_1$ - BAU PP 16-38,  $V_2$ - Birsa Arhar-1,  $V_3$ - JKM 189,  $T_1$ -Istspray Flubendiamide-  $2^{nd}$  spray chlorantraniliprole,  $T_2$ -Bacillus thuringiensis,  $T_3$ -Emamectin benzoate,  $T_4$ -Untreated control, PTC- Pre-treatment count, DAS- Days after spray, Figures in parenthesis are square root transformed values



Fig 1: Reduction over control (%) of Pod borer complex in different insecticidal treatments

#### Result

The results on% reduction over control indicated that the T<sub>1</sub>flubendiamide-chlorantraniliprole had the highest (79.35%) reduction over control followed by T<sub>3</sub>- Emamectin benzoate (66.13%), T<sub>2</sub>- *Bacillus thuringiensis* (49.16%). In the interaction of treatment (T<sub>1</sub>-, flubendiamide in 1<sup>st</sup> spray, chlorantraniliprole in 2<sup>nd</sup> spray) with genotype (JKM-189) V<sub>3</sub>T<sub>1</sub> had highest (80.30%) reduction over control, followed by treatment (T<sub>3</sub>-Emamectin benzoate) with genotype (BAU PP 16-38)  $V_1T_3$  (68.23%) and treatment (T<sub>2</sub>- *Bacillus thuringiensis*) with genotype (BAU PP 16-38)  $V_1T_2$  (49.84%).

#### Conclusions

Efficacy of different insecticidal treatments against pod borer complex were studied and the present investigation reported that the sequential application of treatments  $T_1$ - Flubendiamide 480 SC,

Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC is found out best one among the treatment showing maximum reduction (80.30%) in larval population of pod borer complex and among all genotype BAU PP 18-36 gave best result.

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