# JUNAGADH AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

#### **RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FARMERS COMMUNITY**

#### I. CROP PRODUCTION

Total 205 research recommendations for farmer's community developed by crop production disciplines are described herein.

# **Nutrient Management**

Year: 2004-05

Integrated nutrient management in *bajra*- mustard crop sequence

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *bajra* (*kharif*)-mustard (*rabi*) crop sequence are advised to apply 100 per cent RDF + 10 t FYM/ha to *bajra* and only 50 per cent RDF to mustard crop to obtain higher yield and net return of the sequence.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Fertilizer management in sesame based cropping system

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting sesame based intercropping system are advised to fertilize sesame + Hy. cotton (3:1) with 100 per cent RDF of main and intercrop as per area for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station (Ag. Botany), JAU, Amreli)

#### Effect of nitrogen application on marvel grass

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to grow marvel grass with application of 60-30 NP kg/ha (30 kg N as a basal and 30 kg N at 30 DAS) for obtaining economically maximum green biomass and dry matter yield in marginal lands under rainfed condition. (*Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari*)

### Nutrient management through their sources in groundnut

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing groundnut (GG-20) under dryfarming condition in *kharif* season are advised to apply recommended dose of N and P through DAP and urea with gypsum (18.75 kg S/ha) for getting maximum pod yield and higher net return. (*Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari*)

Effect of potassium and zinc levels on garlic-groundnut crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting garlic-groundnut crop sequence on calcareous black soils having low Zn and medium to high K status are advised to apply 25 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub> + 75 Kg K<sub>2</sub>O per hectare in addition to recommended dose of N and P before sowing of garlic crop and recommended dose of N and P to *kharif* groundnut for getting higher yield and net return from garlic-groundnut crop sequence.

(Department of Agril.Chem. & Soil. Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# **Integrated nutrient management in sorghum**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sorghum as fodder crop in *kharif* are advised to choose sorghum variety GFS-5 and fertilize with 80 kg N/ha (40 kg as basal and 40 kg at 30 DAS) and *Azotobacter* and *Azospirillum* bio-fertilizer treatment (5 packets/ha each of 250 g) for getting maximum fodder yield.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

#### **Integrated nutrient management in anjan Grass**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Anjan grass in *kharif* season are advised to apply 20 kg N/ha (10 kg as basal and 10 kg at 30 DAS) along with *Azotobacter* 5 packets/ha (each of 250 g) for getting economically optimum green and dry matter yield in marginal lands under rainfed condition.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

# Integrated nutrient management in groundnut-wheat crop sequence

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut-wheat crop sequence are advised to apply 50 per cent recommended dose of fertilizer (6.25:12.5 kg NP/ ha) + *Rhizobium* culture (250 g/10 kg seeds) + FYM 10 t/ha to groundnut and recommended dose of fertilizer (120:60:0 kg NPK/ha) to wheat for maximum yield and net return.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

### Year: 2005-06

# Effect of multi micronutrient with and without sea weed liquid fertilizer on groundnut (summer) under Middle Gujarat Agro-climatic Zone

The farmers of Middle Gujarat Agro-climatic Zone–III (AES-II), growing summer groundnut (GG-2) on soils having marginal status of Zn and Fe are advised to spray 1 % of multi micronutrients mixture (Fe 2 %, Mn 0.5 %, Zn 4.0 %, Cu 0.3 % and B 0.5 % equivalent to Govt. notified general Grade-I) or sea weed liquid fertilizer (SLF) @ 1.5 per cent at 15, 30 and 45 days after sowing to get higher groundnut yield and profit.

(Fisheries Research Station, JAU, Okha) Effect of multi micronutrient with and without sea weed liquid fertilizer on groundnut (summer) under North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone(AER-2) growing *kharif* groundnut (GG-2) on Zn and Fe deficient soils are advised to spray the crop with sea weeds liquid fertilizer (SLF) @ 3.5 per cent at 15, 30 and 45 days after sowing to get higher groundnut yield and net realization.

#### Soil moisture conservation in hybrid cotton under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid cotton-8 in *kharif* season under dry farming condition are advised to adopt 30 cm deep tillage every year for highest seed cotton yield, net return and moisture conservation. They are also advised to apply FYM @ 10 t/ha for higher yield, net return and moisture conservation. Recommended dose (80:0:0 NPK kg/ha) of fertilizer should be applied to the crop.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

(Fisheries Research Station, JAU, Okha)

#### **Phosphorus fertilization in castor**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid castor GCH-6 under irrigated condition are advised to fertilize castor crop with 40 kg  $P_2O_5$  ha<sup>-1</sup> besides the recommended dose of N for getting maximum castor seed yield and net return.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Response of sesame to chemical fertilizer**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to apply recommended dose of chemical fertilizer (50:25:00 NPK kg/ha) + 20 kg S/ha for getting higher return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### **Integrated nutrient management in groundnut**

The farmers of coastal area of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing groundnut crop are advised to apply half recommended dose of NPK (12.5:25:0 kg/ha) in the form of urea and rock phosphate with seed inoculation of bacterium EBJ-3 (*Azotobacter* sp.) @ 25 ml/kg seed of groundnut to obtain higher net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Integrated nutrient management in pearl millet

The farmers of coastal area of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *bajra* crop are advised to apply half recommended dose of fertilizer in the form of urea and rock phosphate with seed inoculation of bacterium EBKH-1 (*Azotobacter* sp.) @ 25 ml/kg seed to obtain higher net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Groundnut based alley cropping system

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to grow groundnut GG 20 with *Glyricidia* at the alley width of 9.6 m along with an application of FYM @ 5 t/ha for getting higher yield of groundnut and net return in the alley cropping system under dry farming condition.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia) Management of soil and nutrient in groundnut under dry farming condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to carry out ploughing up to 20 cm depth in alternate furrows in alternate year and apply FYM @ 5 t/ha and recommended dose

of NPK (12.5:25:0 kg/ha) for getting higher yield of groundnut and net return under dry farming condition.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Year: 2006-07

#### **Reclamation of salt affected soils for groundnut**

The farmers of the coastal area of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* groundnut on saline-sodic soil are advised to apply gypsum @ 5 t /ha (50 % of GR) besides recommended dose of fertilizer for obtaining higher net return.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of potassium and zinc levels on cotton

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing cotton in medium black calcareous soils are advised to apply 120 kg  $K_2O$  and 50 kg  $ZnSO_4$  per hectare as basal in addition to recommended dose of nitrogen for getting maximum net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, JAU, Junagadh and Cotton Res. Station, JAU, Junagadh) Study of organic V/s inorganic fertilizers in legumes

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone applying enriched compost @ 6 t/ha or vermicompost @ 2 t/ha need not to apply inorganic fertilizers in legumes.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia) Reclamation of salt affected soils for pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra & West Gujarat Agro-climatic Zones growing *kharif* pearl millet in saline sodic soil with marginal sulphur status are advised to apply 250 kg gypsum/ha in addition to recommended dose of fertilizer (80:40 kg NP/ha) for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# Effect of multi-micronutrient on kharif pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif bajra* (var. GHB-558) on soil deficient in available Fe and Zn are advised to follow soil application of FeSO<sub>4</sub> @ 15 kg/ha and ZnSO<sub>4</sub> @ 8 kg/ha or micronutrient mixture grade having Fe-2 %, Mn-0.5 %, Zn-5 %, Cu-0.2 % and B-0.5 % equivalent of Govt. notified Grade-V as soil application @ 20 kg/ha at the time of sowing to get higher yield and net return. Alternatively, farmers are advised to spray 1 % foliar grade of multi-micronutrients having Fe 4 %, Mn 1 %, Zn 6 %, Cu 0.5 % and B 0.5 % equivalent of Govt. notified Grade-IV (for Fe and Zn deficiency) at 20, 30 and 40 DAS.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar) Effect of nitrogen and sulphur sources on rabi onion

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone utilizing urea as a source of nitrogen in *rabi* onion are recommended to apply 20 kg sulphur/ha through phospho gypsum at the time of sowing or as elemental sulphur at 20 to 25 days before transplanting for getting higher bulb yield.

(Vegetable Res. Station, JAU, Junagadh & Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci., JAU, Junagadh) Nitrogen management in *kharif* onion

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* onion (Agri Found Dark Red) are recommended to apply 75:50:25 kg NPK/ha. Of which 50 per cent nitrogen and full doses of phosphorus and potash should be applied as basal and remaining 50 per cent nitrogen should be top dressed one month after transplanting for getting higher yield.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2007-08

# Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming for groundnut (*kharif*)-wheat (*rabi*) crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut-wheat crop sequence are advised to apply soil test based recommended dose of fertilizer to both the crops for realizing higher net return. Application of nutrients only through organic sources was not found economical.

(Department of Agronomy and Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming under groundnut (*kharif*)-onion (*rabi*) crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut-onion crop sequence are advised to apply recommended dose of N through FYM on equivalent N basis to both the crops.

Under the situation of inadequate availability of FYM; farmers should follow soil test based fertilizer application to both the crops.

(Department of Agronomy and Dept. of Agril.Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming under pearlmillet (*kharif*)-wheat (*rabi*) crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting pearl millet-wheat crop sequence are advised to apply chemical fertilizers as per soil test to both the crops for realizing higher net return. Application of nutrients only through organic sources was not found economical.

(Department of Agronomy and Dept. of Agril.Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of sulphur with and without potassium on yield, nutrient uptake and quality of pigeonpea in relay inter cropping system

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting pigeon pea + groundnut relay cropping in medium black calcareous soils are advised to apply 40 kg sulphur (one month prior to sowing) and 50 kg  $K_2O$  per hectare as basal in addition to recommended doses of N and P to pigeon pea for higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril.Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Integrated nutrient supply system for rainfed semi-arid tropics

The farmers of North Saurashthra Agro-climatic Zone following pearl millet-groundnut cropping system under rainfed conditions are advised not to follow mono cropping and apply N @ 80 kg/ha to pearl millet only for obtaining higher yield and net return.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Nutrient management in sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to apply FYM @ 5 t/ha + NP fertilizer (25:25 kg NP/ha) to sesame crop for getting higher yield and net realization.

Alternatively, the farmers are advised to apply FYM @ 5 t/ha + NP (12.5:12.5 kg/ha) through chemical fertilizers along with seed inoculation of PSM + *Azotobacter* each @ 625 g/ha to sesame crop.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia and Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Nanakandhasar)

#### **Response of pearl millet to zinc application**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet (GHB-558) during *kharif* on Zn deficient soils are advised to apply 20 kg/ha zinc sulphate at the time of sowing followed by 0.2 per cent spray of  $ZnSO_4$  at pre-flowering stage to obtain higher grain yield and net return.

# (Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

**Integrated nutrient management in black seeded sesame under rainfed condition** The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing black seeded sesame (G.Til-10) in *kharif* are advised to apply25 kg N + 25 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha as basal and 25 kg N/ha as top dressing at 30 DAS or apply FYM 10 t/ha + *Azotobacter* and PSB each @ 5 kg/ha as soil application for

getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

# Efficacy of multi-micronutrient formulation in improving crop production in sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame during *kharif* in soils with marginal to deficient in available Fe and Zn are advised to apply mixture grade of multimicronutrients @ 20 kg/ha (Fe-2.0 %, Mn-0.5 %, Zn-5.0 %, Cu-0.2 % and B-0.5 %) equivalent to Government notified general grade-V as soil application for obtaining higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

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#### Study the response of sesame to micronutrients in combination with organic manure

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame on soils marginal to deficient in Zn and Fe are advised to apply 2.5 t FYM/ha with  $ZnSO_4 @ 20 \text{ kg/ha}$  and  $FeSO_4$  at 25 kg/ha in addition to the recommended fertilizer dose (50:25:00 NPK kg/ha) for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Year: 2008-09

#### Integrated nutrient management in *kharif* pearl millet

The framers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-X) growing *kharif* pearl millet are advised to apply 50 per cent RDF (40:20 NP kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) along with 2.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup> compost and 500 kg castor cake ha<sup>-1</sup> for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia and Dry Farming Research Station JAU, Jamkhambhalia)

# Integration of bio-inoculants with inorganic and organic sources of nutrients for yield maximization of sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame (G.Til 3) in *kharif* are advised to apply RDF (50:25 NP kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) as 25 kg N +25 kg P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> ha<sup>-1</sup> as basal and 25 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> as top dressing to sesame for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Effect of FYM and castor cake on the productivity of sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame (G.Til-2) during *kharif* are advised to apply 1.0 t castor cake  $ha^{-1}$  or 7.5 t FYM + 750 kg castor cake  $ha^{-1}$  for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

### **Response of summer sesame to N-P fertilizers**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame (G.Til-2) in summer are advised to apply 25 kg N + 25 kg  $P_2O_5$  ha<sup>-1</sup> as basal and 25 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> as top dressing at 30 DAS for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Effect of sulphur on yield and oil content of sunflower

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sunflower (G. Sunflower 1) in *kharif* are advised to apply 40 kg S ha<sup>-1</sup> through gypsum besides application of chemicals fertilizers (90:50 NP kg ha<sup>-1</sup>).

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### **Fertilizer requirement of sunflower**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Sunflower (G. Sunflower 1) in *kharif* are advised to apply 45 kg N + 60 kg  $P_2O_5$  ha<sup>-1</sup> as basal and 45 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> as top dressing for getting higher yield and net returns.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

### Integrated nutrient management in castor (*rabi*)-groundnut (*kharif*) crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting castor (*rabi*)-groundnut (*kharif*) crop sequence are advised to treat the castor seed with *Azospirilium* and PSB cultures in addition to 100 per cent RDF (NP 75:50 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) for obtaining higher yield and net return.

(Central Experimental Research Station, Sagadiwidi & Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Effect of potassium with and without Zn on yield and nutrient uptake by castor

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing castor in medium black calcareous soil deficient to marginal in K and Zn availability are advised to apply 50 kg  $K_2O$  + 50 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub> ha<sup>-1</sup> as basal in addition to recommended fertilizer dose (75:50 NP kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) for getting higher yield and net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA and Main Oilseed Res. Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# The interaction effect of Zn, Fe, and K in wheat-groundnut crop sequence in calcareous black soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting wheat-groundnut crop sequence in medium black calcareous soils (low to marginal in available K and Zn) are advised to apply  $80 \text{ kg } \text{K}_2\text{O} + 25 \text{ kg } \text{Zn}\text{SO}_4 \text{ ha}^{-1}$  to wheat crop only as basal in addition to RDF (NP 120:60 and 12.5:25 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> to wheat and groundnut, respectively) for getting higher yield of crops in wheat-groundnut sequence.

(*Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, and Wheat Research Station, JAU, Junagadh*) **Response of cotton to nitrogen sources** 

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid cotton in medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply recommended dose of nitrogen in form of urea only.

(Dept.of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science and Central Experimental Research Station, Sagadiwidi,

JAU, Junagadh)

# Use of *Rhizobium* and varying levels of nitrogen and phosphorus in groundnut-pigeonpea relay cropping system

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing pigeonpea as a relay crop in groundnut are advised to treat pigeonpea seed with *Rhizobium* culture prior to sowing (@ 25 g kg<sup>-1</sup>)seed and apply 75 per cent RDF (20:37.5 NP kg ha<sup>-1</sup>). The N should be applied in two equal splits i.e. first at time of sowing and the second at the time of earthing up i.e. before first irrigation for getting higher yield and net return.

(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2009-10

Crop rotation studies in respect of sustaining crop yield and increasing total productivity under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are recommended to adopt integrated nutrient management practices (25% RDF for the respective crop + compost @ 5 t/ha + castor cake @ 500 kg/ha + *Azotobacter* and PSM @ 5 g/kg of seed) in groundnut based crop rotation with groundnut or sesame or pearl millet for getting higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia) Nutrient management practices for sustaining groundnut yield and productivity of sandy loam soils

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-10) growing *kharif* groundnut GG-7 are advised to apply 50% RDF (6.25:12.50 NP kg/ha) along with castor cake @ 500 kg /ha for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Possibilities of organic farming in pearl millet-wheat sequence

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone following pearl millet (*Kharif*) – wheat (*Rabi*) crop sequence are advised to apply 50% RDF to both the crops + FYM @ 5 t/ha + seed inoculation with PSB + *Azospirillum* to pearl millet and *Azotobacter* for wheat to obtain higher yield and net return.

OR

Alternatively, they should apply 100% RDF + 20  $K_2O$  kg/ha to both the crops for securing higher yield and net return.

(Main Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Response of castor to levels and sources of S

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor are recommended to apply 20 kg S/ha through gypsum (150 kg/ha) along with recommended dose (75:40 NP kg/ha) as urea and DAP.

OR

The crop should be fertilized with RDF (75:40 NP kg/ha) through urea and SSP for obtaining higher yield and net return.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Impact of foliar application of KNO3 on yield and quality of cotton

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing cotton Bt Hybrid (VICH 5) under irrigated condition are advised to spray 3% KNO<sub>3</sub> in addition to RDN (160 N kg/ha) at flowering, boll initiation and 50% boll formation to get higher yield and net income.

(Cotton Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2010-11

# Effect of foliar application of nutrients on growth, yield & quality of onion

The farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing onion for bulb production (Var. Gujarat White Onion-1) during *rabi* season are recommended to apply NPK (19:19:19) @ 0.5 per cent as foliar spray at 30, 45 and 60 days after planting in addition to recommended dose of fertilizer (75:60:50 NPK kg/ha) for higher yield and net return.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Response of tomato to foliar application of micronutrients**

The farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing tomato crop (Var. Gujarat Tomato-1) during *rabi* season are recommended to apply micronutrient mixture of boric acid, zinc sulphate, copper sulphate, ferrous sulphate and manganese sulphate each @ 100 ppm, and ammonium molybdate @ 50 ppmat 40, 50 and 60 days after planting in addition to recommended dose of fertilizer (75:37.5:62.5 kg NPK/ha) for getting higher fruit yield and net return.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Integrated nutrient management in tomato**

The farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing tomato crop (var. Gujarat Tomato-1) during *rabi* season are advised to apply NPK @ 120:60:80 kg/ha + FYM @ 10 t/ha + S @ 25 kg/ha + *Azotobactor* @ 5 kg/ha as soil application at the time of planting and foliar spray of micronutrient mixture of boric acid, zinc sulphate, copper sulphate, ferrous sulphate and manganese sulphate each @100 ppm, and ammonium molybdate @ 50 ppm at 50 days after planting for getting higher fruit yield net return.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Fertilizer management in cotton + sesame (1:1) intercropping system under dry farming condition

The farmers of AES-IV of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting hybrid cotton (G. Cot. Hy.-8) + sesame (1:1) intercropping system are advised to apply 80 kg nitrogen/ha to cotton and 100 per cent RDF on half of the area basis 25 kg nitrogen and 12.5 kg phosphorus/ha to sesame crop for getting higher yield and net returns under dry farming condition.

(MainDry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

**Balance use of fertilizer in pearl millet based crop sequence (Pearl millet-Mustard)** The farmers of AES-II of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone following pearl millet (*kharif*)mustard (*rabi*) crop sequence are advised to apply 5 t FYM/ha and 100% RDF (80:40 kg N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>/ha) to pearl millet crop and apply 100% RDF (50:50 kg N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>/ha) + K<sub>2</sub>O 30 kg + gypsum 100 kg + ZnSO<sub>4</sub> 10 kg + FeSO<sub>4</sub> 10 kg/ha to mustard crop for obtaining higher net return.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar) Integrated nutrient management in summer pearl millet

# The farmers of AES-II of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during summer season in Zn deficient soil are advised to apply recommended dose of fertilizer (120:60:0 NPK kg/ha) along with 20 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub> per hectare (basal) to obtain higher yield and net return.

#### (Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Nitrogen management in summer pearl millet

The farmers of AES-II of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during summer are advised to apply nitrogen @ 120 kg/ha in three splits i.e., 1/3 as basal, 1/3 at tillering stage (25-30 DAS) and 1/3 at boot stage (40-45 DAS) to obtain higher yield and net return.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

# Response of sesame (Sesamum indicum Linn.) to potassium fertilization under rainfed condition

The farmers of AES-VIII of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame (G.Til-3) in *kharif* are advised to apply 40 kg  $K_2O/ha$  in addition to the recommended dose of fertilizer (50:25 NP kg/ha) for getting higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station (Ag. Botany), JAU, Amreli) Effect of foliar spray on seed yield and economics of sesame

The farmers of AES-VIII of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame (G.Til-2) in *kharif* are advised to apply recommended dose of fertilizer (50:25:00 NPK kg/ha) with two foliar sprays of urea @ 2% at flowering and capsule formation stages for getting higher yield and net return. Foliar spray of DAP was not found beneficial.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Nutrient management in onion under salt stress condition

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing white onion under saline irrigation water (EC 6.00 dSm<sup>-1</sup>) are advised to apply FYM @ 20 t/ha + Gypsum 7 t/ha (50% GR) + 75 kg K<sub>2</sub>O/hain addition to recommended dose of fertilizer (75 kg N + 60 kg P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> /ha) to obtain higher yield and net income.

(Department of Ag. Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Development of technology for rapid composting of cotton residues under rainfed agriculture

The farmers are advised to recycle cotton stalk (which are either burned or wasted) by chopping into small pieces of 5-6 cm using cotton shredder and composting with addition of compost culture @ 500 g per tonne, urea (N @ 0.5%) and cow dung @ 20% as well as 500 g each of *Azotobacter* and PSM per tonnes during first turning of to get enriched compost within 120 days having higher content of all the plant nutrients.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# Evaluation of crop sequence and nutrient management in respect to sustain agriculture and soil health under rainfed condition

The farmers of AES-X of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are recommended to adopt cotton-cotton rotation with integrated nutrient management practices (25% RDF + compost @ 5 t/ha + castor cake @ 500 kg/ha + *Azotobacter* and PSM @ 5 g/kg of seed) or cotton-groundnut rotation with RDF for each crop (12.5:25 N:P for groundnut and 40 kg N for cotton/ha) for getting higher yield and net realization along with maintaining soil fertility under rainfed condition.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Year: 2011-12

# Fertilizer management in cotton + sesame (1:1) intercropping system under dry farming condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES XV) adopting hybrid cotton + sesame (1:1) intercropping system under rainfed condition are advised to apply 40 kg N/ha to cotton and 25 kg N/ha + 12.5 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha to sesame for getting higher yield and net return.

(Main Dry Farming Res. Station, JAU, Targhadia & Agril. Res. Station, JAU, Nana Kandhasar) Fertilizer management in cotton + sesame (1:1) intercropping system under dry farming condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES X) adopting cotton + sesame (1:1) intercropping system under rainfed condition are advised to apply 80 kg N/ha to cotton and 25 kg N/ha +12.5 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha to sesame crop for getting higher yield and net return.

(*Main Dry Farming Res. Station, JAU, Targhadia & Agril. Res. Station, JAU, Jam Khambhalia*) Effect of nitrogen and bio fertilizer on yield of shaniar grass (*Sehima nervosum*)

The farmers of North Saurastra Agro-climatic Zone growing *shaniar* grass (*kharif*) are advised to apply 60 kg N/ha in two equal splits first at 10 days after first rain and second at 30 days after first application for getting higher fodder yield.

# Effect of phosphorus with and without K<sub>2</sub>O on yield of anjan grass

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *anjan* grass (*kharif*) are advised to apply 60 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha as a basal dose along with recommended dose of 20 kg N/ha (10 kg as basal + 10 kg/ha at 30 DAS) for getting higher fodder yield.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

Effect of potassium and zinc on yield and quality of fodder jowar under rainfed condition The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-XIV) growing fodder sorghum (*kharif*) are advised to apply 40 kg  $K_2O$  + 20 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub>/haalong with recommended dose of fertilizers (80:40 kg NP/ha) for getting higher fodder yield.

(*Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari*) Effect of application of potassium and zinc on growth, yield and nutrients uptake by onion and its residual effect on *kharif* groundnut in medium black calcareous soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting onion-groundnut sequence in medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply 75 kg K<sub>2</sub>O/ha in two splits i.e.  $\frac{1}{2}$  K<sub>2</sub>O as basal +  $\frac{1}{2}$  at 30 DAS besides 25 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub>/haand recommended fertilizer dose (75:60 kg NP/ha) to onion crop for getting higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Bt. cotton response to potash with and without zinc

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated Bt. cotton on medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply potassium @ 150 kg/ha as basal or in two splits (i.e. 1/2 as basal + 1/2 at 30 DAS) along with 50 kg zinc sulphate per hectare in addition to recommended fertilizer dose (N 160 kg/ha<sup>-1</sup>) for getting higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

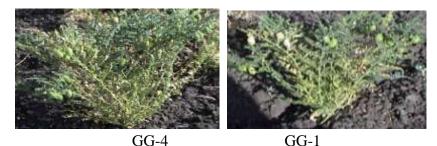
# **Balance fertilization in Bt. cotton**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Bt. cotton on medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply 10 t FYM/ha + 240 kg N/ha (four splits, 25% at sowing and remaining three equal splits at 30, 60 and 90 DAS) and @ 50 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha as basal for getting higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

**Effect of soil amendments on different genotypes of gram under salt affected soil** The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone having sodic soil are recommended to grow gram variety GG-4 or GG-1 and apply 10 t FYM/ha + gypsum @ 50% G.R. for getting higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Integrated nutrient management in garlic on sandy loam soil of Saurashtra

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-X) growing garlic are advised to apply 75 % RDF (37.5:37.5:37.5 NPK kg/ha) along with either 2.5 t FYM/ha or castor cake 300 kg/ha for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia & Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Jam Khambhalia)

# Integrated nutrient management for bajra-cotton rotation under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-XV) adopting *bajra*-cotton rotation are recommended to apply 50 per cent of recommended dose of fertilizers (*bajra* 40:20 NP kg/ha and cotton 40 kg N/ha) along with castor cake @ 900 kg/ha for getting higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia & Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Nana Kandhasar)

# **Evaluation for the potentiality of bio-fertilizer and organic resources for sustaining sesame yield under rainfed condition**

The farmers of Western *Bhal* and Coastal Zone (AES-1(a), 1(b) and 3) growing sesame under rainfed condition are advised to apply 50% of recommended dose of fertilizers i.e. 12.5:12.5 kg NP/ha along with 500 kg castor cake/ha and besides seed treatment of *Azotobacter* and PSB (CFU  $10^8/g$ ) each of 30 g/kg seed for getting higher yield and net realization along with 50% saving of fertilizers.

(Main Dry Farming Res. Stat., JAU, Targhadia and Dry Farming Res. Stat., JAU, Vallabhipur)

# Year: 2012-13

# **Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming for groundnut** (*kharif*) -garlic (*rabi*) cropping sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII adopting groundnut (*kharif*)-garlic (*rabi*) cropping sequence under organic farming are advised to apply FYM @ 2.5 t/ha to groundnut and 10 t/ha to garlic on sequence basis for securing higher net realization and maintaining soil fertility.

(Dept. of Agronomy and Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Permanent plot experiment on integrated nutrient supply system for a cereal based crop sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII adopting pearl millet (*kharif*)- wheat (*rabi*) cropping sequence are advised to apply FYM @ 8 t/ha and 50% RDF (40:20:25 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to pearl millet and 120:60:25 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha to wheat to get higher yield and net realization as well as to maintain soil fertility.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Integrated nutrient management in okra

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing okra during summer season are advised to apply FYM @ 10 t/ha + half RDF (75:25:25 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to get higher yield and net profit.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

### Integrated nutrient management in ridge gourd

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing ridge gourd during summer season are advised to apply FYM @ 5 t/ha and 25:12.5:12.5 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha to get higher yield and net return.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

Feasibility of the organic farming in respect to sustain soil productivity under rainfed agriculture

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone-VI (AES-IV) interested to follow groundnut-sesame crop rotation under organic farming during *kharif* are advised to apply compost @ 1.25 t/ha + vermicompost @ 165 kg/ha + castor cake @ 75 kg/ha to groundnut and compost @ 5 t/ha + vermicompost @ 650 kg/ha + castor cake @ 300 kg/ha to sesame along with groundnut shell mulching @ 1 t/ha, biofertilizer (*Rhizobium&Azotobacter*) to both the crops @ 1.5 kg/ha and *Trichoderma* @ 2.5 kg/ha for obtaining higher net returns and sustaining soil fertility under rainfed condition.



(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# Irrigation and nutrient management in rabi bajra

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing bajra in *rabi* season are advised to apply nine irrigations i.e. two common irrigations for germination and the remaining seven irrigations at 10 days interval to get higher yield and net realization. Farmers are also advised to apply fertilizer @ 120:60 N:  $P_2O_5$  kg/ha and potassium on soil test basis.

(*Dept. of Seed Science & Tech., JAU, Junagadh and Main Millet Res. Station, JAU, Jamnagar*) Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on wheat

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing wheat are advised to apply multi-micronutrients mixture Grade-V @ 40 kg/ha or apply micronutrients on soil test basis beside the recommended dose of fertilizer (120:60 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) to get higher yield and net returns.

(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Sci., CoA and Wheat Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Efficacy of multi-micronutrient formulations for improving crop production in castor

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone -VII growing castor are recommended to apply micronutrients on soil test basis or four sprays of multi-micronutrients mixture Grade-IV

@ 1% at 45, 60, 75 and 90 DAS besides recommended dose of fertilizer (75:50:50  $N:P_2O_5:K_2O$  kg/ha) to get higher yield and net returns.



(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Sci., CoA and Main Oilseeds Res. Station, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on pigeonpea

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone -VII growing pigeonpea are advised to apply micronutrients on soil test basis or multi-micronutrient mixture Grade-V @ 40 kg/ha besides recommended dose of fertilizer (25:50:0 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to get higher yield and net returns.



(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Sci., CoA and Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Balance nutrient management in groundnut (monsoon)–wheat (winter) cropping sequence on LTFE basis

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone -VII adopting groundnut (*kharif*)-wheat (*rabi*) cropping sequence are advised to apply FYM @ 10 t/ha + 6.25:12.5 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha through fertilizer to groundnut and 120:60:60 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha through fertilizer only to wheat for securing higher net return and maintaining soil fertility.



(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Sci. and Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2013-14

**Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming for groundnut** (*kharif*)-wheat (*rabi*) cropping sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut (*kharif*)-wheat (*rabi*) cropping sequence under organic farming are advised to apply FYM @ 2.5 t/ha to groundnut and 24 t/ha to wheat for obtaining higher yield and net return along with maintaining soil fertility.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Nutrients requirement for bold seeded summer groundnut

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing bold seeded summer groundnut are advised to fertilize the crop with 50 kg N, 25 kg K<sub>2</sub>O and 20 kg S (120 kg gypsum/) per hector with recommended dose of  $P_2O_5$  (50 kg/ha) for securing higher yield and net realization.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

Yield maximization in groundnut through nutrient management practices during kharif season

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* groundnut are advised to apply FYM 7.5 t/ha + recommended dose of fertilizer (12.5:25 kg N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>/ha) + 25 kg ZnSO<sub>4</sub>/ha as basal for obtaining higher yield and net return.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Effect of biofertilizer along with molybdenum application on yield of chickpea

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated chickpea are advised to treat seeds with *Rhizobium* culture @ 25 g/kg seed + phosphate solubilizing bacterial culture (*Bacillus subtilis*) 30 g/kg seed along with recommended dose of fertilizers (20:40 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) for securing higher yield and net return. Application of molybdenumin chickpea was not found advantageous.



(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

Effect of different organic, inorganic and bio-fertilizers on groundnut-pigeonpea relay cropping system

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone following groundnut ' pigeonpea (2:1) relay cropping system are advised to apply recommended dose of fertilizers to both the crops to obtain higher yield and net returns or 50% RDF + FYM 5 t /ha along with seed treatment of *Rhizobium* and phosphate solubilizing bacteria (each 25-30 g/kg seed) to groundnut only to reduce the dose of chemical fertilizers.



(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Integrated nutrient management in rainfed cotton

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro climatic zone (AES-VI) growing rainfed Bt. cotton are advised to apply 80 kg N +10 t compost +500 kg castor cake/ha along with bio-fertilizer (*Azotobacter* + PSB) for obtaining higher yield and net return beside improving soil fertility.



(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Effect of K application on yield of summer groundnut in calcareous soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer groundnut in medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply potassium @ 50 kg/ha as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizer ( $25:50 \text{ N:P}_2\text{O}_5 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) for securing higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Potassium fertilization to *kharif* groundnut in calcareous soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* groundnut in medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply potassium @ 50 kg/ha as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizer (12.5:25 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) for securing higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2014-15

# Studies on the effect of water soluble foliar grade fertilizers on the growth and yield of summer groundnut

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer groundnut are recommended to fertilize the crop with FYM 7.5 t/ha + 60 % RDF (i.e. 15-30 kg N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>/ha) for obtaining higher yield and net realization.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Effect of bio-phos on the performance of castor

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor are recommended to apply 40 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha and treat the seeds with phosphate solubilizing microorganism (*Chaetomium globosum*) @ 30 g/50 g seed along with recommended dose of nitrogen (120 kg/ha) for obtaining higher seed yield and net return.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Nutrient management in groundnut-Bt. cotton intercropping system

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut - Bt. cotton intercropping system (in 3:1 ratio) are recommended to apply 50 per cent RDF (i.e.6.25-12.5-0 kg N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O/ha) to the groundnut crop and 100 per cent recommended dose of fertilizer (i.e. 160 kg N/ha) to the cotton crop for obtaining higher yield and net realization.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

Effect of integrated nutrient management on yield, quality and nutrient uptake by garlic under salt affected soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing garlic in salt affected soil are recommended to apply 50 % RDF (i.e. 25-25-25 kg N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O/ha) along with FYM @ 10 t/ha for obtaining higher bulb yield and net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Studies of possibilities of organic farming in pearl millet-gram crop sequence

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting pearl millet-gram crop sequence and interested in organic farming are recommended to apply FYM 7.5 t/ha every year to pearl millet only for securing higher net realization and to maintain soil fertility.

(Main Pearl millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### **Optimization of nutrients for pearl millet production in** *kharif* season

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during *kharif* season are recommended to apply 100 kg N and 30 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha for obtaining higher yield and net return.

(Main Pearl millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar) Nutrient management through organic and inorganic sources for major and trace elements in rainfed pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during *kharif* season are recommended to apply ZnSO<sub>4</sub> and FeSO<sub>4</sub> @ 20 kg/ha each, along with recommended dose of fertilizers (80-40-0 kg N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O/ha) and FYM 5 t/ha for obtaining higher yield and net return as well as for improving grain quality.

(Main Pearl millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Year: 2015-16

#### Effect of potassium fertilizer on castor hybrid

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor are recommended to apply potash @ 50 kg K<sub>2</sub>O/ha (25 kg/ha as basal and 25 kg/ha at 45 days after sowing) along with recommended dose of nitrogen and phosphorus (120:50 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) for obtaining higher seed yield and net return.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Nutrient management in Bt cotton under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-10) growing Bt cotton are recommended to apply 20 kg P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, 40 kg K<sub>2</sub>O and 20 kg sulphur (150 kg gypsum/ha) along

with recommended dose of nitrogen (80 kg N/ha) for obtaining higher yield and net return as well as maintaining soil fertility under rainfed condition.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia & Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Jamkhambhalia)

# Effect of potassium and sulphur on growth and yield of wheat crop

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing wheat are recommended to apply 60 kg potash and 40 kg sulphur (through gypsum) per hectare as basal in addition to recommended dose of N and P (120:60 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) to wheat crop for getting higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. & Wheat Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on okra

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* okra in medium black calcareous soil are recommended to apply micronutrients as per soil test value as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (150:50:50 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to okra for getting higher yield and net return.

Alternatively, foliar spraying of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade IV (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 4.0-1.0-6.0-0.5-0.5 %) @ 1% at 45, 60, 75 and 90 DAS in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (150:50:50 N:P2O5:K2O kg/ha) to okra is recommended for getting higher yield and net return.



(Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. & Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Efficacy of multi-micronutrient formulations in improving crop production in Bt cotton

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Bt cotton in medium black calcareous soil are recommended to apply micronutrients as per soil test value as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (240-50-150 N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to Bt cotton for getting higher yield and net return.

Alternatively, foliar spraying of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade IV (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 4.0-1.0-6.0-0.5-0.5 %) @ 1% at 45, 60, 75 and 90 DAS in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (240-50-150 N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) is recommended to Bt cotton for getting higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. & Cotton Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Development of organic farming packages for system based high value crops (Groundnut-Onion)

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut (*kharif*)-onion (*rabi*) cropping sequence are recommended to apply 50% RDF (6.25-25 N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> kg/ha) for groundnut and 37.5-60-50 N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha for onion + 50% RDN as FYM to groundnut (1250 kg/ha)

and onion (7500 kg/ha) for securing higher groundnut equivalent yield and net realization along with maintenance of soil fertility.

Farmers interested in adopting groundnut (*kharif*) - Onion (*rabi*) cropping sequence under organic farming are recommended to follow nutrient management system as 50% RDN as FYM (1250 and 7500 kg FYM/ha for groundnut (*kharif*) and onion (*rabi*), respectively) + biofertilizer (*Rhizobium / Azotobacter* @ 1250 ml/ha) for N + rock phosphate to meet P requirement of crops (100 kg/ha in groundnut and 600 kg/ha in onion) + PSB (1250 ml/ha) for higher groundnut equivalent yield and net income along with maintenance of soil fertility.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

**Evaluation of potentiality of organic farming for groundnut** (*kharif*)-chickpea (*rabi*) cropping sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut (*kharif*)-chickpea (*rabi*) cropping sequence under organic farming are recommended to apply FYM (1.25 t/ha) + castor cake (139 kg/ha) to groundnut and vermicompost (667 kg/ha) + castor cake (222 kg/ha) to chickpea in furrow before sowing for securing higher net realization and maintaining soil fertility.

(Dept.of Agronomy & Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2016-17

#### Response of castor to potash at varying crop geometry

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor in soil having medium status of potash are advised to sow castor at spacing of 150 cm x 60 cm with an application of potash @ 40 kg/ha along with recommended dose of nitrogen and phosphorus (120:50 kg NP/ha) for obtaining higher seed yield and net return.



(Main Oilseed Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

Phosphorus management in sesame under rain fed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing rainfed sesame are advised to fertilize the crop with 25 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha as basal through SSP along with recommended dose of nitrogen (50 kg N/ha) for getting higher yield and net return.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia) Effect of foliar fertilizer in Bt. cotton. G. Cot. Hy. 8 (BG-II)

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Bt cotton under irrigated condition are advised to apply recommended dose of fertilizer 240:50:150 NPK kg/ha) and spray water soluble fertilizer 1 % (19:19:19 NPK) at flowering, boll formation and boll development stage of the cotton to obtain higher seed cotton yield and net return.

(Cotton Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on tomato

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing tomato in medium black calcareous soil are recommended to apply micronutrients as per soil test value as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (75:37.5:62.5 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to tomato for getting higher yield and net return. OR Foliar spraying of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade IV (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 4.0-1.0-6.0-0.5-0.5 %) is recommended @ 1% at 45, 60 and 75 DAS in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (75:37.5:62.5 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to tomato for getting higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. and Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on garlic

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing garlic in medium black calcareous soil are advised to apply micronutrients as per soil test value as basal in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (50:50:50 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) for getting higher yield and net return. OR Soil application of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade V (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 2.0-0.5-5.0-0.2-0.5 %) is recommended @ 40 kg/ha in addition to recommended of fertilizers (50:50:50 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to garlic for getting higher yield and net return. OR Apply foliar spray of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade IV (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 4.0-1.0-6.0-0.5-0.5 %) @ 1% at 60, 75 and 90 DAS in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (50:50:50 N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to garlic for getting higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. and Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2017-18

# Comparative efficacy of PSB and bio-phos on the performance of castor

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor are recommended to apply PSB in soil @ 2.0 L/ha and 40 kg  $P_2O_5$  along with recommended dose of N and K (120-50 kg/ha) for obtaining higher seed yield and net return.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Effect of multi-micronutrient formulations on brinjal

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing late *kharif* brinjal in medium black calcareous soil are recommended to apply micronutrients as per soil test value as basal <u>**OR**</u> apply foliar spray of multi-micronutrient formulation Grade IV (Fe-Mn-Zn-Cu-B, 4.0-1.0-6.0-0.5-0.5 %) @ 1% at 45, 60 and 75 DATP in addition to recommended dose of fertilizers (100 - 37.5 - 37.5 N-P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>-K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) to brinjal for getting higher yield and net return.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. and Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Nitrogen management in wheat crop

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing wheat in medium black calcareous soil are recommended to apply nitrogen @ 120 kg/ha in three splits ( $\frac{1}{4}$  as basal +  $\frac{1}{2}$  at 20 to 25 DAS +  $\frac{1}{4}$  at 35 to 40 DAS) instead of two splits in addition to recommended dose of

 $P_2O_5$ -  $K_2O$  (60 - 60 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) for getting higher yield, net return and improve nutrient use efficiency.



(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. and Wheat Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of soil amendments on different varieties of soybean (*Glycine max* L.) under sodic soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climate Zone growing soybean in sodic soil during *kharif* season are recommended to grow soybean variety NRC-37 and apply FYM @ 10 t  $ha^{-1}$  + Gypsum @ 50 % GR along with recommended dose of 30:60:00 kg N:P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>:K<sub>2</sub>O  $ha^{-1}$  for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci. and Agril. Research Station (FC), JAU, Mahuva) Effect of nutrients management modules for minimizing drought impact and groundnut yield maximization in rainfed region

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing semi spreading groundnut crop are recommended to spray urea @ 2% at 30 to 35 DAS along with recommended dose of 12.5-25 N-P kg/ha for obtaining higher yield and maximum net return.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# Effect of zinc fertilization on wheat yield in sandy loam

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-10) growing wheat are recommended to apply  $ZnSO_4$  @ 20 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> as basal along with two foliar sprays of  $ZnSO_4$  @ 0.5 % (50 g/10 lit. water) at heading and milking stages with recommended dose of fertilizer (120-60-60 NPK kg/ha) for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### **Cultural practices**

Year: 2004-05

#### **Cotton based inter cropping system in rainfed condition**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid cotton (G.Cot.Hy-8) at the distance of 120 cm are advised to adopt intercropping with sesame (G. Til-2) or green gram (K-851) in the row ratio of 1:1 for getting higher yield and net return under dry farming condition.

(DFRS, Nanakandhasar, Jamkhambhakia; Grassland, Dhari & DFRS, JAU, Targhadia) Study of seed mixture for cultivation of fodder crops under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing grasses are advised to use seed mixture of Anjan grass (2.66 kg/ha) and *Stylosanthes scabra* (1.66 kg/ha) for obtaining economical maximum green biomass and dry matter production on marginal lands under rainfed condition. Alternatively instead of *S. scabra, Clitoria* Sp. (5 kg/ha) can also be used.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

#### Study of plant geometry in cotton

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-15) growing cotton under rainfed condition are advised to sow cotton var. G. Cot. Hy.8 at row spacing of 120 cm for getting higher seed cotton yield and net return.

(Dry Farming Res. Stat., JAU, Nanakandhasar & Dry Farming Res. Stat., JAU, Targhadia) Study of planting method in *kharif* sesame and groundnut

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame and groundnut crops in *kharif* season are advised to open the furrow after each three rows for sesame. The ridges and furrow method should be followed for groundnut crop at 20-30 days after sowing for obtaining maximum yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station (Ag. Botany), JAU, Amreli)

#### Effect of tillage practices in groundnut

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing groundnut in *kharif* are advised to adopt deep ploughing every third year besides tractor harrowing every year to prepare the field for obtaining maximum yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station (Ag. Botany), JAU, Amreli) Effect of mulch on onion under poor quality well water

The farmers of coastal area of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *rabi* onion in saline soil with poor quality well water are advised to apply mulch (pearl millet husk) @ 5 t/ha during 15 to 20 days after planting in flat bad for getting higher net return.

(Department. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2005-06

Pasture legumes in combination of grasses under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing grasses are advised to grow Clitoria (*Clitoria ternatea*) with Marvel grass/*Zinzvo* (*Dichanthium annulatum*) in 1:2 row ratio for obtaining economically maximum green biomass and dry matter yields under rainfed condition.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

#### Year: 2006-07

#### Groundnut (kharif)-Onion (rabi)-Green gram (summer)

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone having assured irrigation facility are advised to adopt groundnut (*kharif*)-onion (*rabi*)-green gram (summer) sequence for obtaining higher production and net returns.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2007-08

#### Effect of dry seeding on the performance of castor under rainfed condition

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing rainfed castor are advised to soak the seed in one per cent sodium chloride solution for three hours and sow at onset of monsoon to get higher seed yield and net return.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# *In-situ* moisture conservation technique and seed priming for improving sesame productivity

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame are advised to adopt seed soaking technique (8 hours soaking of seed in water (1:1) and drying in shade for 12 hours) before sowing followed by one hand weeding at 15 DAS and mulching with dust (soil mulch) for getting higher seed yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Reclamation of sodic soil under rainfed condition in cotton

The farmers of coastal area of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif Dhummad* cotton are advised to apply gypsum @ 75 % of GR in addition to recommended dose of N (40 kg/ha) under sodic soil condition for getting higher yield and net return.

(Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Amelioration of drought stress in pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet (GHB-558) during *kharif* are advised to sow the crop in paired row at 30 cm x 60 cm to get higher yield and net return.

# (Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### **Optimization of castor production under resource constraints**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated castor are advised to apply 75:40:00 NPK kg/ha along with two inter culturing, two hand weedings and two sprays of insecticide to control sucking pest and semi looper for getting higher yield and net return.

Among the various package of practices, fertilizer application is the most critical practice followed by weeding and plant protection which could reduce seed yield by 45.30, 32.43 and 23 per cent, respectively.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Effect of irrigation and sowing methods on yield and economics of groundnut-pigeonpea intercropping

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone interested in adopting semi-spreading groundnut + pigeonpea intercropping system are advised to open the furrow at 40 cm distance and sow two rows of groundnut (GG-20) and one row of pigeonpea (Vaishali). They are also advised to apply 4 irrigations at an interval of 10 days (1.0 IW/CPE) to pigeonpea after harvest of groundnut for realizing higher net return.

(*Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh*) **Optimization of plant density of groundnut crop under rainfed condition** 

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing rainfed groundnut (cv. GG-20) are advised to sow the crop at 60 cm x 7.5 cm with bullock drawn automatic seed drill using 120 kg seed/ha treated with mancozeb @ 3.0 g/kg seed and soil application of FYM based *Trichoderma viride* (2.5 kg/ha) at the time of sowing for getting higher pod yield and net return.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

### Year: 2008-09

#### Effect of tillage on rainfed groundnut

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are recommended to cultivate their field by cultivator followed by harrowing and sow rainfed groundnut (GG 20) on broad bed and furrow method (90 cm width followed by 30 cm wide and 15 cm deep furrow) for getting higher yield and net return.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Effect of planting and methods of fertilizer application on yield of onion seed

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *rabi* onion (Gujarat White Onion 1) for seed production are recommended to plant bulbs on ridges by keeping spacing of 30 cm x 30 cm for getting higher seed yield and net profit.

(Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Relative salinity tolerance of castor genotypes**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone having irrigation water salinity up to  $2 \text{ dSm}^{-1}$  are advised to prefer castor variety GC 3.

(Department of Agril. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2009-10

Suppression of interspersed staminate flowers (ISF) in non-environmental sensitive (NES) pistillate line for quality hybrid seed production of castor hybrid GCH-6

Castor hybrid seed producers are recommended to apply two spray of ethrel @ 0.05 per cent on pistillate parent (JP-65) at 45 and 65 days after sowing. This significantly reduces the number of interspersed staminate flowers (ISF) in racemes of female parent that culminates in reduction of selfing in hybrid seed plot. It has less labour requirements and also more genetic purity of resultant hybrid seed.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

# Contingency crop planning for varying onset of monsoon situations

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to select crop from the following crops for securing higher income under delayed onset of monsoon situations. **Order of preference** 

Short duration crops: Bunch groundnut, Sesame, Pearl millet, Black gram.

Long duration crops: Castor, Spreading groundnut, Pigeonpea, Cotton.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# **Evolution of tillage practices in castor**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to prepare the land by ploughing followed by cultivator and blade harrowing and sow the *kharif* castor at 90 x 60 cm spacing for getting higher yield and net realization.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Evolution of bunch groundnut cultivars for late sown condition

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing bunch groundnut are advised to select variety from the following varieties on priority basis under delayed onset of monsoon situation for realizing higher yield and net return.

#### **Order of preference:**

Groundnut variety: GG-5, GG-2, J-11, GG-7, TG-37A.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Agronomic evaluation of Bt cotton hybrid (RCH 2)

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Bt cotton (RCH 2) under irrigated condition are advised to follow spacing of 120 x 45 cm and apply 160 kg N/ha to get higher yield and net income.



(Cotton Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2010-11

Effect of date of sowing and weather parameters on growth and yield of wheat under South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone

On the basis of the results obtained using heat unit concept, it is recommended to the farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone interested for early sowing of wheat i.e., during first fortnight of November (Minimum temperature 12 to  $13^{\circ}$  C and Maximum temperature 30 to  $31^{\circ}$ C) should prefer variety GW-366 for getting higher yield and net profit.

(Agro meteorological cell (Agronomy) & Wheat Research Scientist, JAU, Junagadh) Identification of innovative Bt. cotton based cropping systems (Irrigated)

The farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone, who are growing irrigated Bt. cotton, are recommended to sow fodder sorghum or maize in *rabi* and sesame or groundnut (bunch) in summer after Bt. cotton to get higher net return.

(Cotton Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Performance of sesame varieties to pair row sowing under rainfed condition

The farmers of AES-VIII of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to grow *kharif* sesame var. G Til-10 or G. Til-3 and adopt paired row sowing at 30:60 cm for getting higher yield and net return

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Year: 2011-12

#### Evaluation of different seed pellets on production of pasture grasses

The farmers of North Saurastra Agro-climatic Zone growing *anjan* grass (*kharif*) are advised to prepare small balls containing seeds (40,000 balls/ha) using 200 kg soil + 200 kg FYM + 4 kg seeds mixture to get higher germination and fodder yield.

(Grassland Research Station, JAU, Dhari)

#### Year: 2012-13

#### Effect of sowing time and spacing on summer sesame

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing summer sesame are advised to sow the crop in second week of February by keeping 30 cm row spacing for obtaining higher yield and net realization.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Evaluation of tillage practices in pigeonpea**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing pigeonpea are advised to till the field by cross cultivation followed by blade harrowing and subsoiling between two rows to get higher yield and net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Response of summer sesame to date of sowing and row spacing

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VI growing sesame in summer season are advised to sow the crop in third week of February at a spacing of 30 cm x 10 cm to get higher yield and net return.



(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

# Response of sugarcane varieties to wider row spacing

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII interested to grow sugarcane at wider row spacing are advised to plant sugarcane variety CoN 05071 at 90 cm distance or in paired rows (30:150 cm) to get higher cane yield and net returns.



(Main Sugarcane Research Station, JAU, Kodinar)

# Study of intercropping system with bunch groundnut under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VI (AES-XV) growing bunch groundnut under rainfed condition may also take either greengram or sesame as intercrop by keeping row ratio of 1:1 or 3: 1 to get higher yield and net return. The mothbean cultivation either as sole crop or intercrop with groundnut was not found remunerative.

(Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

# Year: 2013-14

# Impact of tillage practices and sowing pattern on Bt cotton

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-Climatic Zone growing Bt cotton are advised to prepare the field by ploughing followed by blade harrowing & planking and sow the crop on ridges (120 cm apart) for achieving higher seed cotton yield and net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Relay cropping of castor in soybean**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing soybean are advised to adopt relay intercropping system with castor by sowing castor 30 days after sowing of soybean with row ratio of 1 : 2 (castor : soybean) for securing higher yield and net return.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# **Optimization of** *kharif* **groundnut production under resource constraints**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* groundnut are advised to follow recommended practices of weed control, plant protection and fertilizer management for obtaining higher yield and net return. However, under the situation of resource constraints, farmers are advised to prioritize their resources in order of weed control > plant protection > fertilizer management.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

### Effect of time of sowing and hybrids on productivity of summer pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during summer are recommended to sow the crop during second fortnight of February (30 °C average maximum temperature) to obtain higher yield and net return.

#### (*Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar*) **Time of planting and harvesting for early and midlate varieties of sugarcane**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-Climatic Zone growing sugarcane (CoC 671 and CoN 91132) are advised to plant the crop during last week of October to last week of November. The early maturing variety CoC 671 should be harvested between 11 to 12 months of planting and midlate maturing variety CoN 91132 should be harvested between 12 to 14 months of planting for securing higher cane yield and net return.



(Main Sugarcane Research Station, JAU, Kodinar)

**Evaluation of chickpea varieties under different dates of sowing under irrigated condition** The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated chickpea are advised to sow the crop during first fortnight of November (mean minimum temperature 19.9 °C and mean maximum temperature 34.7 °C) for securing higher yield and net return.



(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

**Response of fennel to plant geometry under North Saurashtra Agro- climatic Zone** The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-XV) growing *rabi* fennel are advised to sow the crop at 60 cm x 20-30 cm spacing for securing higher yield and net return.



(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Year: 2014-15

Effect of soil amendments on different genotypes of castor under salt affected soil

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing castor with saline irrigation water are recommended to select variety GC 3 and apply FYM @ 10 t/ha and gypsum 50% GR (3 t/ha) along with recommended dose of fertilizers.

(Dept. of Agril. Chem. & Soil Sci., CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Evaluation of preparatory and secondary tillage practices in rainfed groundnut**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing rainfed groundnut are recommended to adopt in-row subsoiling (20 cm depth) before sowing, interculturing at 15, 30, 45 and 60 days after sowing (DAS) and apply pendimethalin @ 900 g/ha (30 EC 60 ml/10 lit) as pre-emergence with hand weeding at 30 and 45 DAS for achieving higher yield and net realization as well as effective moisture conservation and weed management.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

### Year: 2015-16

#### Effect of sowing time and spacing on summer clusterbean

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer cluster bean are recommended to sow the crop in second week of February at 45 cm x 15 cm spacing for obtaining higher yield and net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

Identification of suitable row ratio for sesame with pigeonpea and soybean intercropping system

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame with intercropping system in *kharif* are recommended to sow pigeonpea as an intercrop with sesame in the row ratio of 2:1 with 60 cm distance between two rows to get higher yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Year: 2016-17

# **Optimizing spacing for medium duration pigeonpea varieties under pigeonpea + Uradbean inter cropping system**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting pigeonpea + uradbean (without fertilizer) inter cropping system are advised to sow pigeonpea at 120 cm x 30 cm spacing and two rows of uradbean in between two rows of pigeonpea for getting higher yield and net return.

(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Suitability of pearl millet hybrids under varying time of sowing during semi rabi season

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during semi *rabi* season are recommended to sow the pearl millet early maturing variety GHB 538 during first week of October to obtain higher yield and net return.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Year: 2017-18

# Tillage practices for residue management in groundnut-wheat cropping sequence

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone who are adopting wheat (*rabi*)-fallow-groundnut (*kharif*) crop sequence are advised to harvest the wheat crop by combined harvester and incorporate the wheat straw in the soil with rotavator and blade harrowing + application of 12 kg N/ha (26 kg urea/ha) + Madhyam culture @ 5 kg/ha and give a light irrigation to the soil through sprinkler irrigation system to secure higher production and profitability of *kharif* groundnut as well as to sustain the soil health.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Cropping system diversification and/or intensification

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting groundnut (*kharif*) - wheat (*rabi*) cropping system are recommended to replace the system with any one of the following intensified cropping systems to secure higher yield and net profit.

Kharif	Rabi	Summer				
Two rows of groundnut	Two rows of coriander (seed)	Two rows of sesame at 45 cm +				
(semi spreading) at 60 cm	at 45 cm + one row of	one row of vegetable cowpea.				
+ one row of sweet corn.						
	OR					
Clusterbean (seed) at 45		Two rows of sesame at 45 cm +				
cm.	+ eight rows of garlic at 15	two rows of fodder sorghum at				
	cm.	22.5 cm.				



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Groundnut based cropping system under rainfed condition

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting bunch groundnut based intercrop system under rainfed condition are recommended to grow groundnut with cotton in 2:1 row ratio for getting higher yield and net return.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Moisture stress management in sugarcane

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone interested to grow spring-planted sugarcane under water deficit condition during formative stage are recommended to apply trash

mulch @ 5 t/ha at 4-6 days after planting and foliar spray of urea + muriate of potash both @ 2.5 % (2.5 kg urea + 2.5 kg KCl in 100 litres of water) at 60, 80 and 100 days after planting for securing higher cane yield and net return.



(Main Sugarcane Research Station, JAU, Kodinar)

# Irrigation Management Year: 2004-05

### Irrigation management in *kharif* sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame in *kharif* are advised to apply one irrigation at 50 per cent flowering during dry spell for getting maximum sesame yield and net return.

(Agricultural Research Station (Ag. Botany), JAU, Amreli)

#### Year: 2005-06

#### Drip irrigation in summer brinjal

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing brinjal (*Lila gota*) in *summer* season are advised to irrigate the crop with drip system at 1.0 PEF laying lateral at 90 cm distance in each row and drippers of 4.0 LPH at 60 cm distance on each lateral and operate the system at an alternate day with a pressure of  $1.2 \text{ kg} / \text{ cm}^2$  for one hour and 50 minutes on alternate day for getting more net realization with higher water use efficiency.

Under constraint of irrigation water, they are advised to adopt drip irrigation at 0.8 PEF to save 20 % water and bring about 0.21 ha additional area of this crop under irrigation. Farmers are also advised to apply wheat straw mulch @ 5 t/ha for getting more net realization.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### **Irrigation management in coriander**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing coriander are advised to irrigate the crop with mini sprinkler at 0.8 PEF with laying lateral at 1.8 m distance in paired row (30-60-30 cm) and sprinkler of 35 LPH at 2.5 m distance on each lateral, and operating the system at an alternate day with a pressure of  $1.2 \text{ kg/cm}^2$  for getting higher net realization.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2006-07

# Irrigation management in summer pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-X) growing hybrid pearl millet (GHB-558) in summer are advised to give 13 irrigations each of 40 mm depth at 6-7 days interval for obtaining higher yield and net return. Under limited water availability, they are advised to give 11 irrigations each of 40 mm depth at 7-8 days interval.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Year: 2007-08

# Effect of supplementary irrigation on productivity of groundnut-castor inter cropping system

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone adopting bunch groundnut + castor (3:1) intercropping system are advised to irrigate castor crop at 1.0 IW/CPE ratio (four irrigations). First irrigation should be given at 20 days after harvesting of groundnut and remaining at an interval of 10 days for getting higher net return.

#### (Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh) Response of wheat varieties to restricted irrigations

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing irrigated wheat are advised to prefer wheat variety GW-322 and give 7 irrigations *i.e.* at sowing, CRI, tillering, boot, flowering, milky and dough stages for getting higher yield and net return. Under limited water

availability, farmers can apply 6 irrigations by skipping irrigation at boot stage without affecting yield.

(Wheat Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2008-09

# Feasibility of micro irrigation and organic manures in tomato

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing tomato (Gujarat Tomato-1) in *rabi* season are advised to irrigate the crop with drip system at 1.0 PEF for getting higher yield and net realization.

Farmers are also advised to apply recommended dose of fertilizer i.e. 75.00:37.50:62.50 NPK kg/ha along with FYM @ 10 t ha<sup>-1</sup> for getting more net realization.

# The system details are:

- 1. Lateral spacing =90 cm
- 2. Dripper spacing=60 cm
- 3. Dripper discharge = 4 lph
- 4. Operating time = 1 hour and 45 minutes at alternate day.
- 5. Operating pressure =  $1.2 \text{ kg cm}^{-2}$

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

### Year: 2009-10

# **Relative salinity tolerance of groundnut genotype**

The farmers of Saurashtra region growing summer groundnut variety *viz.*, GG-4, GG-5, GG-6 can irrigate with water having salinity around 2 dS/m.

(Department of Agri. Chem. & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

### Year: 2010-11

### **Drip irrigation studies in onion crop (seed production)**

The farmers of AES-VI of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing onion for seed production (Var. Pilipatti) during *rabi* season are recommended to grow bulbs under drip irrigation with 4.0 LPH dripper at 0.5 m spacing on lateral with 1.45 m lateral spacing for getting higher seed yield. The system should be operated daily at 75 % PEF for 47 minutes. (*Vegetable Research Station, JAU, Junagadh*)

#### Year: 2012-13

# **Response of chickpea to drip irrigation and integrated nutrient management**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing chickpea are advised to irrigate the crop through drip system at 0.8 PEF and apply recommended dose of fertilizer i.e.  $20:40 \text{ N:P}_2\text{O}_5 \text{ kg/ha}$  along with FYM @ 1 t/ha to get higher yield and net realization.

#### The system details are as under:

1.	Type of drip system	:	In line	
2.	Lateral diameter	:	16 mm	and a start from the start of
3.	Lateral spacing	:	90 cm	Contraction of the second second
4.	Dripper spacing	:	60 cm	The second second
5.	Dripper discharge	:	4 LPH	and a second of the
6.	Operating pressure	:	$1.2 \text{ kg/cm}^2$	A CALLER AND
7.	Operating frequency	:	Alternate day	
8.	Operating time	:	65 minutes	

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# **Response of summer sesame to drip irrigation and nitrogen levels**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing sesame in summer season are advised to irrigate the crop through drip system at 1.0 PEF with laying in paired row (30-60-30 cm) and apply 40 kg N/ha along with 25 kg  $P_2O_5$ /ha to get higher yield and net return.

### The system details are as under:

1		Type of drip system	:	In line	
2	2.	Lateral diameter	••	16 mm	
3	3.	Lateral spacing	:	90 cm	

4.	Dripper spacing	:	60 cm	
5.	Dripper discharge	:	4 LPH	
6.	Operating pressure	:	$1.2 \text{ kg/cm}^2$	
7.	Operating frequency	:	Alternate day	
8.	Operating time	:	2 hrs and 35 minutes	



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2014-15

# Effect of crop geometry and irrigation levels on sugarcane

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sugarcane are recommended to adopt drip method of irrigation and plant the crop in paired rows (60-90-60 cm) and irrigate the crop at 0.9 PEF with laying laterals in each paired rows for securing higher cane yield and net return. Nitrogen and potassium should be applied at 80 per cent of recommended dose (i.e. 200-100 N-K<sub>2</sub>O kg/ha) under drip irrigation in 10 equal splits starting from 45 DAP at an interval of 20 days.

### Drip system details:

Details	Operating time-Alternate days		
	Month	Minutes	
Dripper spacing: 60 cm	March-May	2 Hrs. 20 min	
Dripper discharge: 4lph	June	2 Hrs. 10 min	
Operating pressure: 1.2 kg/cm2	July-September	1 Hr. 30 min	
Operating frequency: Alternate days	October-November	1 Hr. 40 min	
	December-January	1 Hr. 25 min	



(Main Sugarcane Research Station, JAU, Kodinar)

# Year: 2016-17

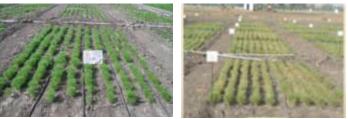
# Response of cumin to drip irrigation and integrated nutrient management

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing cumin are advised to irrigate the crop with drip system at 0.6 PEF for getting higher yield and net realization which saves 12.4 % water. Farmers are also advised to apply 75% recommended dose of fertilizer (22.5:11.2:0 kg NPK/ha) along with FYM @ 5 t/ha for getting maximum yield and net return.

The system details as under:

Details	
Lateral spacing: 60 cm	
Dripper spacing: 45 cm	
Dripper discharge rate: 4 lph	
Operating pressure: 1.2 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	
Operating frequency: Alternate day	

<b>Operating time</b>				
Month Minutes				
DecJan.	20			
FebMarch	30			



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Drip irrigation and fertilizer in drilled rabi fennel

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *rabi* drilled fennel are advised to irrigate the crop with drip system at 0.8 PEF and apply 120:45:0 NPK kg/ha out of which full dose of phosphorus and 25 % nitrogen as basal and remaining 75% nitrogen in three equal splits at 20 DAS interval after sowing through drip for getting higher yield and net return.

The system details as under:

Details		<b>Operating time</b>		
		Month	Minutes	
Lateral spacing: 120 cm (45-75-45 cm paired row)		December	58	
Dripper spacing: 45 cm		January	62	
Dripper discharge rate: 4 lph		February	75	
Operating pressure: 1.2 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>		March	95	
Operating frequency: Alternate day		April	120	
		Contract of First in a summer		



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Evaluation of drip fertigation on castor productivity

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing castor are advised to irrigate the crop at 0.8 PEF through drip irrigation and apply nitrogen @ 90 kg/ha (20 kg N/ha as a basal and remaining 70 kg N/ha through drip in form of urea in five equal splits at an interval of 12 days starting after cessation of monsoon) along with recommended dose of phosphorus (50 kg/ha) as basal for obtaining higher yield and net return.

The system details are as under:

Details	
Lateral spacing : 120 cm	
Dripper spacing : 60 cm	
Dripper discharge rate : 4 lph	
Operating pressure : $1.2 \text{ kg/cm}^2$	
Operating frequency: Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> day irrigation	

Operating time			
Month	Minutes		
October	110-125		
November	100-110		
DecJan.	95-105		
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(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Response of summer groundnut to fertilizer dose and plant population under drip and check basin method

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer groundnut are advised to apply initially two normal irrigations and remaining through drip at 0.8 PEF (20 DAS) and apply water soluble fertilizer (N:P:K: 17:44:0) @ 75 % of RDF (18.75:37.5 kg NP/ha) in five equal splits through fertigation at an interval of 8 days starting from 20 DAS and maintain spacing 20 cm x 10 cm (plant population @ 5.00 lakh/ha) for higher yield and net return which gives 23 per cent water and 25 per cent fertilizer saving.

The system details are as under.			
Details		Operati	ng time
		Month	Minutes
Lateral spacing : 60 cm		February	75-80
Dripper spacing : 45 cm		March	100-110
Dripper discharge rate : 4 lph		April	120-125
Operating pressure : 1.2 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>		May	130-135
Operating frequency : Alternate day		-	-
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The system details are as under:

#### Year: 2017-18

#### **Evaluation of precision land levelling in wheat**

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing wheat in rabi season are recommended to apply 10 irrigations, first immediately after sowing and remaining 9 irrigations at 8-10 days interval (at 0.9 IW/CPE ratio) for securing higher yield and 10 per cent water saving.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh) Effect of different irrigation scheduling and irrigation interval through drip on chickpea

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing chickpea under drip irrigation system are recommended to irrigate the crop with drip system at 0.8 ETc at 5 days interval through drip after two flood irrigations for getting higher yield, net return and 27 % saving of irrigation water. The system details are as under:

Lateral spacing: 90 cm	cm Operating time	
Dripper spacing: 45 cm	Month	Minutes
Dripper discharge rate: 4 LPH	December	57
Operating pressure: 1.2 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	January	104
Operating frequency: every 5 <sup>th</sup> day irrigation	February	65



(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Irrigation management through critical stages of chickpea

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone interested to grow chickpea under water crisis condition are recommended to irrigate the chickpea crop at four critical stages like branching, flowering, pod initiation and grain filling apart from two common irrigations, first immediately after sowing and second at 6-7 days after sowing for getting higher yield and saving 17 per cent of irrigation water.



(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Weed Management Year: 2004-05 Integrated weed management in sesame

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame are advised to adopt two hand weeding at 15 and 30 days after sowing or one hand weeding at 15 days after sowing supplemented with one inter-culturing at 30 days after sowing.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

# Year: 2006-07

# Weed management in groundnut through farm mechanization

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone harvesting wheat through combined harvester are advised to incorporate wheat straw in soils using rotavator for better weed control and net return along with maintenance of soil fertility in *kharif* groundnut.

(Department of Agronomy, JAU, Junagadh and Dept. of Agril. Chemistry & Soil Science, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2007-08

#### Integrated weed management in summer pearl millet

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer pearl millet are advised to keep their fields weed free through hand weeding and interculturing at 20, 40 and 60 days after sowing.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Efficacy of post emergence herbicides in kharif groundnut

Under the circumstances of labourer shortage or not able to spray pre-emergence herbicide; the farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zonegrowing *kharif* groundnut are advised to spray quizalofop-ethyl 40 g/ha (quizalofop-ethyl 5 % EC, 800 ml/ha) by dissolving it in 500 liters of water as post-emergence at 25 days after sowing to control monocot weeds. It should be followed by a hand weeding and interculturing at 45 days after sowing for effective weed management.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2009-10 Integrated weed management in brinjal

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *rabi* brinjal are advised to keep their fields weed free by four hand weedings at 20, 40, 60 and 80 and three interculturing at 20, 40 and 60 days after transplanting.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2014-15

#### Weed management in cumin

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing cumin are recommended to apply oxadiargyl 75 g/ha (6 EC 25 ml/10 lit) as early post-emergence application at 7 DAS followed by hand weeding at 45 DAS for achieving higher yield and net realization as well as effective weed management.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

### Evaluation of pre and post emergence herbicides for irrigated Bt. cotton

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing Bt. cotton are recommended to apply pendimethalin 900 g/ha (30 EC 60 ml/10 lit) as pre-emergence followed by hand weeding and interculturing at 30 and 60 days after sowing (DAS) or pendimethalin 900 g/ha (30 EC 60 ml/10 lit) as pre-emergence followed by quizalofop 40 g/ha (5 EC 16 ml/10 lit) at 45 DAS for achieving higher yield and net realization as well as effective weed management.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Weed management in *kharif* urdbean

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* urdbean are recommended to apply quizalofop-ethyl 40 g/ha (5 EC 16 ml/10 lit water) at 20 days after sowing (DAS) and hand weeding at 40 DAS for obtaining higher yield and net realization as well as effective weed management.

(Pulses Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2015-16

#### Integrated weed management in summer sweet corn

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sweet corn in summer season are recommended to apply atrazine 500 g/ha (50% WP 20 g/10 l) as pre-emergence followed by one interculturing and hand weeding at 40 DAS for effective weed management along with higher yield and net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

# Year: 2016-17

#### Integrated weed management in organically grown groundnut

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *kharif* groundnut under organic farming are advised to adopt stale seedbed technique (pre-sowing irrigation + killing of weed flush by harrowing) and keep weed free condition throughout the crop growth period or carry out hand weeding and interculturing at 15, 30 and 45 days after sowing for effective control of weeds and securing higher net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

Weed management practices in spring planted sugarcane–based intercropping system The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone interested to grow spring–planted sugarcane with intercropping system are advised to grow one row of sesame or green gram or black gram as intercrop without fertilizer application in sugarcane planted at 90 cm row spacing for securing higher yield and net return. Weed control should be done with two hand weeding at 20 and 40 days after sowing of intercrop.

(Main Sugarcane Research Station, JAU, Kodinar)

#### Year: 2017-18

#### Integrated weed management in okra

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing okra in *kharif* season are recommended to carry out hand weeding at 15, 30 and 45 DAS for effective weed management and achieving higher fruit yield and net realization.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Integrated weed management in rabi fennel

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing fennel in *rabi* season are recommended to carry out two hand weeding and inter culturing at 20 and 40 DAS for effective weed management and achieving higher seed yield and net realization.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

Following farmers' recommendations were made in the past. However, they do not confirm the guideline of Central Insecticides Board & Registration Committee for pesticides.

#### Year: 2004-05

#### **Integrated weed management in sesame**

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing sesame are advised to adopt two hand weeding at 15 and 30 days after sowing or one hand weeding at 15 days after sowing supplemented with one inter-culturing at 30 days after sowing. Under paucity of labourers, pre-emergence application of alachloar (1.5 kg/ha) or post emergence application of quizalofop ethyl (0.05 kg/ha at 15 DAS) supplemented with one inter-

culturing at 30 days after sowing is recommended for efficient weed management, higher yield and better return.

(Agricultural Research Station, JAU, Amreli)

#### Integrated weed management in coriander

For effective and economical weed management in coriander crop, farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone are advised to follow hand weeding at 15, 30 and 45 days after sowing. Under paucity of laboures, they can apply trifluralin @ 0.75 kg/ha in 500 liters of water as pre-emergence or fluchloralin 0.6 kg/ha in 500 liters of water as pre-emergence + 1 HW at 30 days.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2005-06

#### Integrated weed management in kharif groundnut

Among different organic materials tested for weed management in *kharif* groundnut, wheat straw incorporated in soil @ 5 t/ha before sowing was found comparable to pre emergence application of fluchloralin @ 0.9 kg/ha. Hence, farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zonecan incorporate wheat straw in place of fluchloralin as a component of integrated weed management.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2006-07

# Integrated weed management in garlic

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone (AES-X) growing garlic (GG-3) in *rabi* season are advised to apply oxyflurofen @ 0.12 kg/ha or pendimethalin @ 0.6 kg/ha as pre emergence + one hand weeding at 40 DAS. If laborers are available, the crop should be kept weed free through hand weeding for obtaining higher yield of garlic and additional net return.

(Main Dry Farming Research Station, JAU, Targhadia)

#### Year: 2007-08

#### Integrated weed management in summer pearlmillet

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing summer pearl millet are advised to keep their fields weed free through hand weeding and interculturing at 20, 40 and 60 days after sowing. However, under shortage of labourers, they are advised to apply atrazine 0.5 kg/ha (50 % WP 1.0 kg/ha) as pre-emergence by dissolving it in 500 liters of water followed by one hand weeding and interculturing at 40 days after sowing for effective weed management.

(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Year: 2009-10

#### Integrated weed management in brinjal

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing *rabi* brinjal are advised to keep their fields weed free by four hand weedings at 20, 40, 60 and 80 and three interculturing at 20, 40 and 60 days after transplanting.

#### OR

Under shortage of labourers, apply pendimethalin @ 0.9 kg/ha dissolved in 500 liters of water as pre-emergence + one hand weeding and interculturing at 45 days after transplanting followed by application of pendimethalin @ 0.9 kg/ha with irrigation water for getting higher yield and net realization as well as effective weed control.

# (Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Evaluation of post emergence herbicides in groundnut

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing groundnut in *kharif* season are advised to keep crop weed free by three hand weeding and interculturings at 20, 40 and 60 DAS. Under paucity of farm labourers, they are advised to apply pendimethalin @ 1.0 kg/ha as pre emergence and quizalofop ethyle @ 0.050 kg/ha or imazethapyr @ 0.075 kg/ha as post emergence at 20 DAS after sowing for effective weed control and net return.

(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)

### Year: 2011-12

#### Weed management in *kharif* pearl millet

The farmers of North Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone growing hybrid pearl millet during *kharif* season are advised to keep their field weed free through pre emergence application of atrazine @ 0.5 kg/ha (dissolve in 500 liters water) to obtain higher yield and net return.

(Main Pearl Millet Research Station, JAU, Jamnagar)

#### Year: 2012-13

#### Integrated weed management in summer sesame

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing summer sesame are advised to keep the crop weed free by hand weeding and interculturing. Under the shortage of labourers, apply quizalofop-ethyl 5% EC 40 g/ha (16 ml/10 lit.) as post-emergence at 20-25 DAS + 1 HW & IC at 45 DAS or pendimethalin 30% EC 0.45 kg/ha (30 ml/10 lit.) as pre-emergence + 1 HW & IC at 30 DAS to get higher yield and net realization as well as effective weed management.



(Department of Agronomy, CoA, JAU, Junagadh)

#### Integrated weed management in castor under irrigated condition

The farmers of South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zone - VII growing castor are advised to keep the crop weed free by hand weeding and interculturing. Under paucity of farm labourers, they are advised to apply pendimethalin 30% EC 1 kg/ha (67 ml/10 lit.) as pre-emergence + quizalofop-ethyl 5% EC 0.05 kg/ha (20 ml/10 lit.) as post emergence (25 days after sowing) for effective weed control as well as to get higher yield and net returns.



(Main Oilseeds Research Station, JAU, Junagadh)