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on

Integrated Pest Management for Sustainable Crop Protection

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Agriculture is the primary interface between people and environment, and therefore, agricultural transformation is essential to meet the global challenges of reducing poverty, food security, and environmental protection. To minimize the over-dependence on pesticides in crop protection, and to avoid harmful effects to the environment in general and hazards to the users of pesticides in particular, the Government of India has adopted Integrated Pest Management (IPM) as a main plank of the Government Policy on plant protection since 7th plan period. This program emphasizes surveillance for need-based and timely application of selective pesticides instead of calendar based prophylactic measures using broad spectrum pesticides, conservation and augmentation of agents and entomopathogenic microbes, promotion of improved cultural practices including use of tolerant/resistant and IPM demonstrations in farmers fields. Therapeutic interventions into biological and ecological systems provide only a short-term relief, and the effects of such interventions are neutralized by the countermoves within the biological and ecological systems. Long-term answers to pest problems can only be sought by restructuring and managing ecosystems in a way that enhance the ability of in-built mechanisms to resist insect damage, while the therapeutic tactics serve as a back up to the natural regulatory processes. Recently, the modern tools of biotechnology for pest management to increase the efficacy of biopesticides and natura enemies, and to increase the levels of host plant resistance to insects through genetic engineering and gene pyramiding have also come in existence. At the same time there has also been a tremendous change in the pest spectrum and qualitative shift in pest management tactics; current package of practices to overcome the emerging insect problems are not yielding the desired levels of control Therefore, vigorous efforts are needed to develop suitable pest management packages to reduce the losses caused by insect pests. It is timely to review the available pest management techniques, and their integration in IPM module for sustainable pest management. Such a review and introspection will pave a way to better engineer different components in to an effective IPM module to cater to the current and future needs of sustainable crop production. Thus, this symposium will focus on the following issues:

Thrust Areas

- Integrated pest management in theory and practice
- Deployment status of various pest management technologies
- Status of deployment and sustainability of GM crops in India
- Monitoring and management of pest resistance
- Stewardship in integrated pest management

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Poster Presentation: 24-25 February, 2015 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

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- Limited accommodation is available for students coming out of Delhi on first come first basis.

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