# PEST SITUATION ON COTTON CROP IN PUNJAB DURING 1ST WEEK OF OCTOBER, 2022

**Whitefly:** On overall Punjab basis 5.49 above ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 10.30% % in last week and 37.96% during the same corresponding period of last year. And 87.59% below ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 87.69% in last week and 61.47% during the same corresponding period of last year.

Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Whitefly

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	BAHAWAL PUR	38.0	16	ALI PUR	7.4
2	HAROON ABAD	22.5	17	LODHRAN	7.0
3	SADIQ ABAD	21.4	18	HASILPUR	6.3
4	R.Y.KHAN	20.8	19	KEHROR PACCA	5.1
5	YAZMAN	16.7	20	VEHARI	4.8
6	FORT ABBAS	15.6	21	MAILSI	4.3
7	LIAQUAT PUR	15.0	22	MIANWALI	4.2
8	A.P.EAST	14.3	23	KALLOR KOT	4.0
9	KHAN PUR	13.5	24	MANKERA	3.7
10	BAHAWAL NAGAR	12.5	25	PIPLAN	3.6
11	ISA KHEL	12.5	26	BURE WALA	2.5
12	MINCHAN ABAD	12.2	27	MUZUFAR GARH	2.4
13	CHISHTIAN	10.7	28	KOT ADDU	2.0
14	JATOI	10.0	29	LAYYAH	1.9
15	BHAKKAR	8.6			

**Jassid:** On overall Punjab basis 4.11% above ETL spots has been observed as compared to 6.44% in last week and same week of last year 5.01%. And 85.48% below ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 88.05% in last week and 82.70% during the same corresponding period of last year.

Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Jassid

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	GOJRA	20.0	21	KOT CHUTTA	4.7
2	OKARA	17.6	22	TANDLIANWALA	4.3
3	SAHIWAL	17.2	23	R.Y.KHAN	4.2
4	CHICHA WATNI	15.0	24	KALLOR KOT	4.0
5	MANKERA	14.8	25	RAJAN PUR	4.0
6	ISA KHEL	12.5	26	KHAN PUR	3.8
7	T.T.SINGH	12.5	27	SHORKOT	3.8
8	ARIF WALA	12.0	28	ALI PUR	3.7
9	BHAKKAR	11.4	29	A.P.EAST	3.6
10	FORT ABBAS	11.1	30	CHISHTIAN	3.6
11	RENALA KHURD	11.1	31	SUMUNDRI	3.6
12	KEHROR PACCA	10.3	32	PIR MAHAL	3.4
13	BAHAWAL NAGAR	10.0	33	A.P SIAL	3.2
14	MINCHAN ABAD	9.8	34	KAROR L.E.	2.5
15	DEPALPUR	9.1	35	MUZUFAR GARH	2.4
16	HAROON ABAD	7.5	36	BAHAWAL PUR	2.0
17	TAUNSA	7.5	37	JATOI	2.0

18	SADIQ ABAD	7.1	38	KOT ADDU	2.0
19	LIAQUAT PUR	5.0	39	LAYYAH	1.9
20	PAK PATTAN	4.8	40	D.G.KHAN	1.8

**Thrips:** On overall Punjab basis 0.00% above ETL spots has been observed as compared to 0.00% in last week and same week of last year i.e. 0.10%. And 62.33.6% below ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 71.56% in last week and 69.21% during the same corresponding period of last year.

# **Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Thrips**

No hot spot found in this week.

**Mealy Bug:** On overall Punjab basis 6.31% spots (all considered above ETL) of Mealy Bug have been observed as compared to 8.93% in last week and 39.05% spots during the same corresponding period of the last year.

Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Mealy bug

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	JALAL PUR P.W	35.0	19	CHICHA WATNI	7.5
2	YAZMAN	31.3	20	MINCHAN ABAD	7.3
3	BAHAWAL PUR	28.0	21	RAJAN PUR	6.0
4	A.P.EAST	23.2	22	LAYYAH	5.6
5	SHUJABAD	22.6	23	PAK PATTAN	4.8
6	FORT ABBAS	20.0	24	MUZUFAR GARH	4.8
7	CHISHTIAN	16.1	25	MIANWALI	4.2
8	ALI PUR	14.8	26	PIPLAN	3.6
9	ROJHAN	13.6	27	PIR MAHAL	3.4
10	ISA KHEL	12.5	28	DUYAPUR	3.4
11	JATOI	12.0	29	GOJRA	3.3
12	MULTAN	10.5	30	BHAKKAR	2.9
13	BAHAWAL NAGAR	10.0	31	BURE WALA	2.5
14	HAROON ABAD	10.0	32	HASILPUR	2.1
15	JHANG	10.0	33	MIAN CHANNU	2.1
16	LODHRAN	9.3	34	D.G.KHAN	1.8
17	KEHROR PACCA	7.7	35	LIAQUAT PUR	1.7
18	SHORKOT	7.7			

**Mites:** On overall Punjab basis 0.00% above ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 0.00% in last week and 0.00% during the same corresponding period of last year. And 1.91% below ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 2.33% in last week and 2.38% during the same corresponding period of last year.

# **Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Mites**

No hot spot found in this week.

**Dusky Cotton Bug:** On overall Punjab basis 8.54% above ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 7.96% in last week and 0.00% during the same corresponding period of last year. And 64.44% below ETL spots have been observed during current week as compared to 62.95% in last week and 58.32% during the same corresponding period of last year.

Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Dusky Cotton Bug

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	HASILPUR	52.1	18	R.Y.KHAN	8.3
2	MULTAN	45.6	19	DARYA KHAN	7.7
3	BAHAWAL PUR	42.0	20	MANKERA	7.4
4	SHUJABAD	28.3	21	DUYAPUR	6.9
5	JALAL PUR P.W	27.5	22	YAZMAN	6.3
6	T.T.SINGH	27.1	23	MINCHAN ABAD	4.9
7	KEHROR PACCA	25.6	24	MUZUFAR GARH	4.8
8	PIPLAN	21.4	25	VEHARI	4.8
9	A.P.EAST	19.6	26	JAHANIAN	4.3
10	PIR MAHAL	17.2	27	KABIR WALA	4.2
11	MIANWALI	16.7	28	KHAN PUR	3.8
12	GOJRA	16.7	29	LIAQUAT PUR	3.3
13	CHISHTIAN	16.1	30	BURE WALA	2.5
14	KHANEWAL	16.0	31	SADIQ ABAD	2.4
15	ISA KHEL	12.5	32	MAILSI	2.1
16	MIAN CHANNU	10.4	33	JATOI	2.0
17	LODHRAN	9.3			

**Armyworm:** On overall Punjab basis 1.06% spots (all considered above ETL) of Armyworm have been observed as compared to 2.57% in last week and 1.96% spots during the same corresponding period of the last year.

Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Army worm

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	KEHROR PACCA	10.3	9	BHAKKAR	2.9
2	JATOI	6.0	10	CHOBARA	2.5
3	KHAN PUR	5.8	11	SADIQ ABAD	2.4
4	FORT ABBAS	4.4	12	LODHRAN	2.3
5	MIANWALI	4.2	13	KABIR WALA	2.1
6	R.Y.KHAN	4.2	14	KOT ADDU	2.0
7	LAYYAH	3.7	15	SHUJABAD	1.9
8	DUYAPUR	3.4	16	LIAQUAT PUR	1.7

**Pink Boll Worm:** On overall Punjab basis 21.32% above ETL spots have been observed as compared to 20.72% in last week and 32.28% same corresponding period of the last year. And 38.81% below ETL spots have been observed as compared to 37.33% in last week and 43.70% during same corresponding period of last year.

# Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of PBW

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	MULTAN	56.1	27	MANKERA	18.5
2	SHUJABAD	54.7	28	PIPLAN	17.9
3	JALAL PUR P.W	50.0	29	MIANWALI	16.7
4	DUYAPUR	48.3	30	ALI PUR	16.7
5	R.Y.KHAN	45.8	31	JATOI	16.0
6	LODHRAN	44.2	32	DARYA KHAN	15.4
7	BAHAWAL PUR	44.0	33	MINCHAN ABAD	14.6
8	HASILPUR	43.8	34	MIAN CHANNU	14.6
9	YAZMAN	37.5	35	KOT ADDU	14.0
10	KHANEWAL	36.0	36	ROJHAN	13.6
11	KEHROR PACCA	35.9	37	MAILSI	12.8
12	SADIQ ABAD	35.7	38	ISA KHEL	12.5
13	LIAQUAT PUR	35.0	39	HAROON ABAD	12.5
14	KHAN PUR	34.6	40	CHICHA WATNI	12.5
15	BHAKKAR	31.4	41	ARIF WALA	12.0
16	LAYYAH	29.6	42	KALLOR KOT	12.0
17	JAHANIAN	28.3	43	MUZUFAR GARH	11.9
18	CHOBARA	27.5	44	VEHARI	11.9
19	A.P.EAST	25.0	45	D.G.KHAN	10.7
20	BAHAWAL NAGAR	25.0	46	RAJAN PUR	8.0
21	KAROR L.E.	25.0	47	TAUNSA	7.5
22	BURE WALA	22.5	48	SAHIWAL	6.9
23	FORT ABBAS	22.2	49	OKARA	5.9
24	CHISHTIAN	19.6	50	KOT CHUTTA	4.7
25	PAK PATTAN	19.0	51	T.T.SINGH	4.2
26	KABIR WALA	18.8	52	PIR MAHAL	3.4

**American Bollworm:** On overall Punjab basis 0.00% above ETL spots have been observed as compared to 0.00 in last week and 0.10% during same corresponding period of last year. And 1.22% below ETL spots have been observed as compared to 1.09% in last week and 0.67% during same corresponding period of last year.

#### Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of American Bollworm

No hot spot found in this week.

**Spotted Bollworm:** On overall Punjab basis 0.00% above ETL spots have been observed as compared to 0.12% in last week and 0.19% during same corresponding period of last year & 0.61% below ETL spots have been observed as compared to 0.56% in last week and 1.29% during same corresponding period of last year.

# **Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots of Spotted Bollworm**

No hot spot found in this week.

**CLCuV:** On overall Punjab basis 20.46% spots (all considered above ETL) of CLCV have been observed as compared to 29.00% in last week and 27.89% during the same corresponding period of the last year.

# Tehsil wise percentage of hot spots CLCuV

S. NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE	S.NO.	TEHSIL	%AGE
1	JALAL PUR P.W	100.0	30	LIAQUAT PUR	16.7
2	BHAKKAR	91.4	31	GOJRA	16.7
3	HASILPUR	58.3	32	A.P SIAL	16.1
4	MANKERA	51.9	33	CHISHTIAN	16.1
5	KABIR WALA	45.8	34	JATOI	16.0
6	DARYA KHAN	42.3	35	KHAN PUR	15.4
7	KALLOR KOT	36.0	36	DUYAPUR	13.8
8	R.Y.KHAN	35.4	37	ROJHAN	13.6
9	PIPLAN	32.1	38	JAHANIAN	13.0
10	SHUJABAD	32.1	39	KEHROR PACCA	12.8
11	KHANEWAL	30.0	40	A.P.EAST	12.5
12	T.T.SINGH	29.2	41	HAROON ABAD	12.5
13	SADIQ ABAD	28.6	42	CHICHA WATNI	12.5
14	BURE WALA	27.5	43	RAJAN PUR	12.0
15	BAHAWAL PUR	26.0	44	MUZUFAR GARH	11.9
16	MAILSI	25.5	45	LODHRAN	11.6
17	MIANWALI	25.0	46	RENALA KHURD	11.1
18	MIAN CHANNU	25.0	47	SAHIWAL	10.3
19	ISA KHEL	25.0	48	JHANG	10.0
20	TAUNSA	25.0	49	MINCHAN ABAD	9.8
21	MULTAN	24.6	50	DEPALPUR	9.1
22	PAK PATTAN	23.8	51	SHORKOT	7.7
23	FORT ABBAS	22.2	52	CHOBARA	7.5
24	ALI PUR	20.4	53	BAHAWAL NAGAR	7.5
25	ARIF WALA	20.0	54	LAYYAH	7.4
26	VEHARI	19.0	55	D.G.KHAN	7.1
27	OKARA	17.6	56	KOT CHUTTA	4.7
28	KAROR L.E.	17.5	57	TANDLIANWALA	2.2
29	PIR MAHAL	17.2	58	KOT ADDU	2.0

# FORECAST FOR THE NEXT WEEK

# Meteorological data of the current week 2021-2022

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Districts	Temperature °C		D 110/	Rainfall	Tempera	Temperature °C		Rainfall
	Max.	Min.	R.H%	(mm)	Max.	Min.	RH%	( mm)
MULTAN	38.1	23.1	63.1	0.0	36.0	27.7	69.8	0.0
KHANEWAL	37.7	23.7	60.7	0.0	36.3	27.4	64.6	0.0
VEHARI	36.4	24.0	65.9	0.0	35.0	28.0	66.6	1.0
LODHRAN	35.8	23.5	63.5	0.0	34.5	26.0	73.8	3.0
Sahiwal	36.3	22.0	72.0	0.0	34.0	25.0	74.0	9.5
Pakpattan	35.6	21.5	71.5	0.0	35.0	26.0	72.0	12.2
Okara	35.0	21.0	72.4	0.0	34.0	24.0	73.0	8.6
Bahawalpur	37.7	23.4	54.1	0.0	36.9	26.1	70.3	23.5
Bahawalnagar	37.6	25.4	67.8	0.0	38.8	25.7	58.0	0.0
R.Y.Khan	35.9	25.8	66.7	0.0	38.5	24.9	47.4	0.0
D.G. Khan	35.4	24.4	66.8	0.0	35.1	23.4	54.9	0.0
Muzaffar Garh	33.8	22.5	62.2	0.0	35.5	24.5	55.8	0.0
Rajanpur	37.4	25.6	49.2	0.0	36.4	27.6	53.4	5.0
Layyah	35.0	23.0	78.0	0.0	41.0	23.0	65.0	0.0
TOT/AVG	36.26	23.50	65.28	0.00	36.22	25.67	64.18	62.80

# Weather forecast for next 7 day in cotton zone

Division	Dated	6/10	7/10	8/10	9/10	10/10	11/10	12/10
	Max.Temp.	37	36	36	36	36	35	34
Multan	Min.Temp.	22	22	23	21	22	23	21
	Humidity %	22	26	31	30	33	21	13
	Max.Temp.	37	36	35	34	33	35	36
Sahiwal	Min.Temp.	21	21	21	22	21	21	21
	Humidity %	21	35	31	34	38	24	19
	Max.Temp.	37	36	35	35	35	37	37
Bahawalpur	Min.Temp.	22	22	22	22	22	23	23
	Humidity %	20	29	36	32	35	23	11
5.6	Max.Temp.	37	35	36	36	36	35	34
D.G. Khan	Min.Temp.	21	21	21	21	23	19	21
Kildii	Humidity %	22	28	27	27	30	18	12
	Max.Temp.	35.61						
Average Cotton Region	Min.Temp.				21.61			
Cotton Region	Humidity %				26			

Source: timeanddate.com

# **Summary of weather forecast**

Overall weather for seven days in cotton zone during next week will remain moderate, sunny and humid.

#### **Forecast of Sucking Pests:**

**Whitefly:** This pest flourishes best in hot dry climate with optimum temperature 35-42 °C with relative humidity below 50%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-51 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. Keeping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest will decrease from this week.

**Jassid:** This pest flourishes best in hot and humid climate with optimum temperature 35-40 °C with relative humidity above 70%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-51 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp.

Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%.eping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest may sustain during the coming week.

**Thrips:** This pest flourishes best in hot dry climate with optimum temperature 35-40 °C with relative humidity below 60%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-51 °C The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. Keeping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest will sustain during the coming week.

**Mealy Bug:** This pest flourishes best in moderate climate with optimum temperature 35-40 °C with relative humidity above 60-80%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-51 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. Keeping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest will sustain on cotton crop.

**Mites:** This pest flourishes best in dry climate with optimum temperature 28-40 °C with relative humidity above 40-50. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. Keeping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest will sustain during the coming week.

**Dusky Cotton Bug:** This pest flourishes best in moderate climate with optimum temperature 28-40 °C with relative humidity above 50-80%. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C

with humidity 26.00%. Keeping in view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest can increase during coming week.

**Pink Bollworm**: This pest flourishes best at moderate climate with optimum temperature 32-40 °C with relative humidity above 60-80%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-53 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. It is predicted that population of this pest will increase on cotton crop.

Moth Catches in Pheromone Traps during 1st Week of October, 2022

Moth Catches in Pheromone Traps During 1st Week of October 2022							
District	Traps Installed	Moth catches/Trap/week	Av. Moth catches/Trap/night				
Multan	6	77	1.83				
Khanewal	8	87	1.55				
Vehari	6	42	1.00				
Lodhran	6	78	1.86				
Sahiwal	4	79	2.82				
Pakpattan	4	66	2.36				
Okara	4	60	2.14				
Bahawalpur	8	117	2.09				
Bahawalnagar	10	63	0.90				
R.Y.Khan	8	78	1.39				
D.G.Khan	6	20	0.48				
M.Garh	8	99	1.77				
Rajan Pur	6	197	4.69				
Layyah	6	16	0.38				
Sargodha	0	0	0.00				
Mianwali	4	13	0.46				
Bhakkar	8	25	0.45				
Faisalabad	6	39	0.93				
TT. Singh	6	16	0.38				
Jhang	4	19	0.68				
Note. 3 moth catches on 3 consecutive nights in a trap is considered as ETL							

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**American Bollworm**: This pest flourishes best at dry & moderate climate with optimum temperature 32-40 °C with relative humidity above 50-70%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-53 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. It is predicted that population of this pest will sustain on cotton crop during the coming week.

Moth catches on light traps during 1st week of October, 2022

Moth Catches on Light Traps/Trap/week During 1st Week of October, 2022								
District	Traps Installed A.B.W S.B.W Army							
Multan	3	0.3	0.0	0.9				
Khanewal	4	0.9	0.0	4.7				
Vehari	3	0.0	0.0	1.0				
Lodhran	3	0.6	0.0	3.6				
Sahiwal	2	1.6	0.0	1.6				
Pakpattan	2	1.4	0.0	1.6				
Okara	3	1.4	0.0	1.7				
Bahawalpur	4	0.9	0.6	2.6				
Bahawalnagar	5	1.3	0.9	2.3				
R.Y.Khan	4	1.9	1.7	2.9				
D.G.Khan	3	0.4	0.6	1.2				
M.Garh	4	0.3	0.4	0.7				
Rajan Pur	3	0.6	0.6	0.4				
Layyah	3	0.0	0	0.6				
Note. 3 moth catches	Note. 3 moth catches of a pest on 3 consecutive nights in a trap is considered as ETL							

**Spotted Bollworm**: This pest flourishes best at mild & humid climate with optimum temperature 30-40 °C with relative humidity above 60-100%. Maximum lethal temperature for this pest is 45-53 °C. The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. Due to cultivation of more BT varieties, it is predicted that population of this pest will remain as such on cotton crop in the coming week.

**Armyworm**: This pest flourishes best in mild & humid climate with optimum temperature 30-40 °C with relative humidity below 70-100 The current weather conditions on overall Punjab basis (temp. Max. 36.26 °C, Min. 23.50 °C with R. humidity 65.28%) & forecast for the next week temp. Max. 35.61 °C, Min. 21.61°C with humidity 26.00%. In view above all, it is predicted that population of this pest will sustain during the coming week.

**CLCuV:** The incidence of this disease is expected to sustain on cotton crop to the next week.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### WHITEFLY MANAGEMENT

- 1. Conduct regular pest scouting of Whitefly.
- 2. Control the pest without delay when population reaches ETL i.e. nymphs or adults or both 5 per leaf.
- Control weeds in and outside the field especially near water channels and fallow lands.

# Alternate host plants of whitefly

Crops	Vegetables	Orchards	Weeds/	Trees
			Ornamentals	
Sunflower	Okra	Citrus	Gardenia	Shisham
Tobacco	Brinjal	Litchi	Mako	Shareen
	Cucurbits	Pomegranate	Maina	
	Tomato	Ber (Zizyphus)	Karund	
	Cabbage	Guava	Lehli	
	Cauliflower	Mulberry		
	Peas	Papaya		
	Potato			
	Onion			
	Spinach			

#### **JASSID MANAGEMENT**

1. Eradicate weeds.

- 2. Conduct Pest Scouting at least twice a week.
- 3. Use *Chrysoperla* Cards @ 80-90 cards per acre having 20-25 eggs on each card which are available at AARI Faisalabad, Sahiwal, Okara and Vehari. (Repeat this process after every two weeks).

#### THRIPS MANAGEMENT

- 1. Conduct Pest Scouting regularly at least twice a week.
- 2. Avoid intercropping of cotton crop with vegetables.
- 3. Control weeds in and outside the field.

#### **MEALY BUG MANAGEMENT**

- Visit the fields daily to detect the infestation for effective management of mealy bug well in time.
- 2. Keep field and water courses etc. free from weeds especially Itsit & Hazaardani.
- 3. To avoid its shifting from one place to another, keep the horticultural nurseries free from its infestation. Spray such infested nurseries before shifting the plants.
- 4. Uproot and keep the infested plants gently in plastic bags and bury in the soil outside the field.
- 5. Avoid water stress to the plants.
- 6. Avoid repeated visits of workers from infested fields to healthy fields.

# Alternate host plants of cotton mealy bug

Crops	Vegetables	Ornamentals	Weeds	Orchards
Sunflower	Okra	China Rose	Hazar Dani	Citrus
Tobacco	Brinjal	Huddle	Amarantus	Mulberry
Jantar	Tomato	Cotton Rose	Bhakra	Ficus
Sesame	Chillies	Gulchain	Mako	Ber

Pumpkin	Lantana	Sueda
	Din Ka Raja	Itsit
	Rat Ki Rani	Karund
	Anthorium	Aksen
	Gul-e-Daudi	Bathu
	Gainda	Puth Kanda
		Kanghi

#### MANAGEMENT OF DUSKY COTTON BUG

- 1. Eradicate weeds.
- 2. Conduct Pest Scouting at least twice a week.
- 3. Remove alternate host plants

# **MANAGEMENT OF ARMY WORM**

- Keep the fields clean from weeds especially Its it which is a preferred host of armyworm.
- 2. Avoid sowing of Jantar near cotton fields.
- 3. Regular pest scouting at least twice a week.
- 4. Hand picking and destruction of egg masses at initial stage as initially its attack starts in patches and is clearly visible.

#### **CLCuV MANAGEMENT**

- 1. Keep Cotton fields free from all kinds of weeds.
- 2. Eradicate other alternate host plants of CLCuV and dispose them off carefully.
- 3. Thinning out and destruction of Virus affected plants.
- 4. Remove CLCuV effected plants in less than 60 DAS (Days after sowing) crop.
- 5. Hoeing after each irrigation or rain at wattar condition till canopies permit.

- 6. Apply post emergence Glyphosate for both broad and narrow leaved weeds and Glyphosate for grassy weeds with shield and use Flat Fan Nozzle, if needed.
- 7. Irrigate the fields when needed keeping in view weather conditions e.g. temperature, rainfall, soil water holding capacity and plant need.
- 8. Balanced use of Fertilizer i.e. N.P.K.
- 9. Keep transmission vector (whitefly) at the low ebb

# Alternate host plants of CLCuV

Crops	Vegetables	Ornamentals	Weeds
Sunflower	Okra	Gurhal	Leh
Melon	Brinjal	Chambeli	Lehli
Tobacco	Chillies		Mako
	Tomato		Maina
	Potato		Karund/Bathu
	Cucumber		Gardenia
			Hazardani
			Rattanjot
			Sun Kukra

# **Economic threshold levels of cotton pests**

Insect pests	Economic threshold levels
Jassid	1 Adult or Nymph per leaf
Whitefly	5 Adults or Nymphs or both per Leaf
Thrips	8-10 Adults or Nymphs per Leaf
Mealy bug	0 (on appearance)
Mites	On damage appearance
Spotted Boll worm	3 Larvae/ 25 plants.
Pink Boll worm	5 Larvae /100 bolls.
American boll worm	5 brown eggs or 3 small larvae or both 5 per 25 plants on non Bt varieties. 2 larvae of 2 <sup>nd</sup> instar per 25 plants on Bt varieties.
Army worm	0 (On appearance)
Aphid	Spray on visible damage on top terminals.
Dusky Cotton bug	10 per leaf/bud