

STUDY ON SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF MAJOR INSECT PESTS OTHER THAN RICE GALL MIDGE ON FINE SLENDER RICE GENOTYPES IN THE NORTHERN HILL REGION OF C.G

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Abstracts: Rice is consumed by more than half of the world's population. In Asia alone, more than 2 billion people obtain 60 to 70 percentage of their energy intake from rice and its derivatives. Only 4-5 percentage of world rice production enters the global market. A part from food, rice is intimately involved in the culture as well as economy of many societies. The cultivation of rice is done under more diverse conditions than any other food crop, ranging from irrigated to rainfed ecology and upland to deep water conditions. In world, rice has occupied an area of 154 million hectares, with a total production of 476 million tonnes and productivity 2949 kg ha⁻¹ (Anonymous, 2012). India has largest area among rice growing countries and enjoys the second rank in production. India has 45.5 million hectares, total cultivated area under rice, with the production of 105.31 million tonnes and productivity 2393 kg ha⁻¹ (Anonymous, 2013 a).

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