COMMUNITY ANALYSIS OF NEMIC FAUNA AROUND THE RHIZOSPHERIC ZONE OF MANGIFERA INDICA

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Abstract: The plant Nematodes are microscopic animal and interact with other living and non-living components of soil environment for their energy requirement. Apart from the numerical superiority of nematodes, the species numbers are also unbelievable very high, close on the heels to that of insects. The latter; as is commonly known, make up nearly 80% or about 8,00,000 known species out of a total of a little over one million species of all groups of animals. The remaining 20% or about 2,00,000 species also include nematode species, that are known so far. (Jairajpuri, 1990). The study of population dynamics of all those types of nematodes. Parasitic, free living and predatory held on to analyse number of different nematodes at a definite distance. Plant parasitic and predatory nematodes found mostly in deep zone, around soft roots but more number of free-living nematodes present in 20-30 cm depth and take part in the decomposition of dead organic materials. Hence the choice of specific depth that taken in this study because-free-living found abundantly in 20-30 cm depth and concerned with the study of those types of nematodes population.

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