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Agro-Advisory Service

Strategies for First Fortnight of May, 2025

- ❖ Temperature will be above normal and will increase gradually in the first fortnight of May for Odisha. High temperature followed by intermittent thunder shower will favour in build-up BPH infestation. If infestation of Brown Planthopper exceeds ETL (ETL: 5-10 hoppers/hill), it is advised to alter the micro-climate of the rice plant by alternate wetting and drying technique (there should not be standing water for long time). If problem still persists, spray Azadirachtin 0.15% neem seed kernel formulation @ 800 ml in 200 litre of water for one acre **or** Triflumezopyrim 10% SC 95 ml/acre **or** Pymetrozine 50% WG @ 120 g/ acre **or** Dinotefuran 20% SG @ 80 g/acre **or** Imidacloprid 17.8% SL @ 50 ml/acre **or** Acephate 75% SP @ 400 g/acre. Use only recommended insecticides for brown planthopper at proper dose.
- ❖ If population of Gundhi Bug exceeds ETL (2 bugs/hill), Imidacloprid 6% + Lambda-cyhalothrin 4% SL mix @ 300 ml/acre should be applied as foliar spray mixed with 200 litres of water.
- ❖ In case of ear cutting caterpillar incidence, spray quinalphos 25 EC @ 400 ml/acre **or** Chlorpyrifos 20 EC @ 500 ml/acre in 200 litres of water. It should be applied in the morning hour to the base of the crop.
- ❖ Neck blast incidence might be observed during this period as in previous year neck blast incidence was reported from Sonepur and Balasore of Odisha. So, if incidence is observed apply Azoxystrobin 25 SC @ 200 ml/acre or Carbendazim 50 WP @ 500 g/acre **or** Trifloxystrobin 25% + Tebuconazole 50% @ 80 g/acre **or**, *Pseudomonas fluorescens* @ 1000 g/acre *Trichoderma viride* or *T. atroviride* (10^8 cfu) @ 2000 g /acre . Use 200 litre of water for spraying in one acre and repeat after 7 days .
- ❖ The prevailing weather condition may favour development of grain discolouration disease. If minute spots or brown to blackish flakes observed in grain spray propiconazole 25% @ 200 ml/acre or tebuconazole 25% @ 400 g/acre. Use 200 litre of water for spraying in one acre.
- ❖ For seed crop, roughing of admixture should be done at flowering stage.
- ❖ Harvest the rice crop at physiological maturity (80-85% grains matured of a panicle) to minimize loss due to shattering of grains.

- ❖ Moisture content of the rice grain should be brought down to 11-14% for long term storage by drying under Sun for 1-2 days.
- ❖ Initiate summer ploughing in the paddy fields with the availability of soil moisture.
- ❖ Good quality seeds of rice varieties like Varshadhan, Durga, CR Dhan 501, Sarala and Gayatri may be selected for intermediate deep water, CR Dhan 500, CR Dhan 502 (Jayanti Dhan), CR Dhan 503 (Jalamani), CR Dhan 505, CR Dhan 507 (Prasanta) for deep water areas may be arranged from reliable sources like Research institutes, Universities, KVK, Block Offices and other reputed farms.
- ❖ For upland direct seeded rice, arrange good quality seeds of varieties like CR Dhan 100 (Satyabhama), CR Dhan 101 (Ankit), Sahbhagidhan, Phalguni, Vandana, Anjali, Khandagiri from reliable sources and must follow seed treatment before sowing.
- ❖ For shallow lowland transplanted rice, arrange good quality seed of varieties like CR Dhan 307 (Maudamani), CR Dhan 303, CR Dhan 304, MTU 1001, MTU 1010, Naveen, CR Dhan 310, CR Dhan 312, CR Dhan 314, DRR 44, Improved Lalat, CR Dhan 301 (Hue), CR Dhan 800, CR Dhan 404, Swarna, Pooja, Kalachampa, Hasanta, Swarna Sub1 and BPT 5204 may be arranged from reliable source like Research institutes, Universities, KVKs, Block offices and other reputed farms.
- ❖ For coastal saline region farmers are advised to arrange salt tolerant varieties like CR Dhan 405 (Luna Sankhi), CR Dhan 403 (Luna Suvarna), DRR 39, and Lunishree from reliable sources.
- ❖ Farmers interested to grow hybrids in irrigated medium and shallow lowland are advised to procure good quality TL seeds of hybrids like Ajay, Rajalaxmi, CR Dhan 701, KRH-2 and PHB 71 from reputed seed companies
- ❖ For flood prone shallow lowlands arrange flash flood tolerant varieties like Swarna Sub-1, Ranjit Sub-1, Bhahadur Sub-1, Binadhan-11, and Samba Mahasuri Sub-1. For semi deep water areas collect CR 1009 Sub-1 from reliable source
- ❖ For drought prone upland/ shallow lowlands arrange drought tolerant varieties like Sahabhagidhan, DRR 42, DRR 44, BRRI Dhan 71, Swarna Sreya from reliable source.
- ❖ Sow the good quality seeds of Dhaincha after initial land preparation for green manurring in transplanted rice.
- ❖ Farmers are advised to download and use NRRI developed **riceXpert** mobile App (available in Google Play store) for getting information on all aspects of rice crop.
