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Constraints and suggestion made by the pomegranate growers for adoption of improved practices for control measures of oily spot disease

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Article Chronicle: Received : 13.08.2013; Revised : 09.10.2013; Accepted : 15.10.2013 **SUMMARY :** Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*) is a multipurpose fruit. Recommended practice*i.e.* plant protection measures is an important tool in effective oily spot disease management of pomegranate. However, it is generally observed that pomegranate growers do not adopt plant protection measures on large scale. Looking to this fact, the present study was conducted in six tahsils from Latur and Osmanabad district of Marathwada region of Maharashtra. From these 120 farmers were selected on the basis of intensity of disease infestation. The present study was carried out to know the personal and socio-economic characteristics. The important constraints reported by most of the pomegranate growers were supply of input constraints, economical constraints, technological constraints, extension constraints and market constraints. The important suggestions made by the pomegranate growers adequate provision of improved varieties, plant protection measures and fertilizers in time and at cheaper rate, extending facility of crop insurance for pomegranate orchard.

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