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RESEARCH ARTICLE:

Influence of weed management practices on yield and economics of aerobic rice under different seeding methods

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SUMMARY: A field experiment was conducted during the *Kharif*, 2014 at College Farm, Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, Hyderabadto study the bio-efficacy of variousherbicides on weeds, yield and economics of direct seeded rice. The weed flora emerged during experimentation were: grasses like *Echinocloa colonam* L., *Cynodon dactylon* L., *Eleusine indica*, sedges like *Cyperus rotundus* L, and broad-leaved weeds like *Eclipta alba* L., *Commelina bengalensis* L., *Ipomoea purpurea, Alternanthera sessillis, Physalis minima, Bacopa monnieri, Cyanotis cristata, Corchorus, Phyllanthus niruri, Ageratum conyzoides*. Among seeding methods the highest gross returns (Rs.47280), net returns (Rs.17544) and B: C ratio (1.57) were obtained with line sowing than broadcasting. Among weed management practices highest gross returns (Rs.47770) were with T₆ treatment and highest net returns (Rs.15826) with T₅ treatment whereas highest BC ratio (1.56) with with T₃ and T₄ treatments was obtained which were superior to other treatments.

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