

Extent of adoption of recommended cultivation practices of okra by the okra growers

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ABSTRACT

The study was conducted in Parbhani district of Marathwada region of Maharashtra State. Parbhani and Purna talukas of Parbhani district were purposively selected for the present investigation because it has more area under okra crop. From each taluka five villages were selected based on maximum acreage under okra crop. From each village 12 respondents were selected randomly who were growing okra crop from last three years. Thus, 120 respondents growing okra crop constituted the sample for study. The respondents were interviewed with the help of a well structured interview schedule. The findings revealed that majority (92.50 per cent) of the respondents adopted ridges and furrow method of irrigation. About 91.66 per cent and 86.66 per cent of the respondents had applied irrigations as per recommendation and applied protective irrigations, respectively. 90.00 per cent of them had adopted proper time of harvesting of okra crop, while 80.83 per cent of the respondents followed recommended climatic conditions for okra crop. Nearly 100.00 per cent of the respondents expressed that failure of electric supply was major constraint in adoption of cultivation practices of okra.

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