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## Effect of weed control practices on soil microflora in chickpea (*Cicer arietinum*)

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**ABSTRACT :** A field experiment was conducted during winter season 2010-2011 at farm of Agronomy Department, Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola, to study the effect of herbicides and cultural practices on soil microbial population in Chickpea (*Cicer arietinum*). But after spraying of herbicide, there were considerable differences among the treatments. After spraying of herbicide microbial count was reduced in herbicidal treatment ( $T_2$  and  $T_9$ ) than cultural method of weed control treatment ( $T_{10}$ ). Treatment weedy check ( $T_1$ ) shows maximum microbial count before and after spraying of herbicide.

KEY WORDS : Pigeonpea, Helicoverpa armigera (Hübner) Hardwick

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