#### AICRP - ON GOING EXPERIMENTS

#### 2013-14

#### **Project No. E.4.1** (1)

Title	: Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [IVT (Early)].	
Objective	: To grade the entries in the trials for their behaviour towards damage by key pest in the area.	
Year of start	: 1985-86	
Duration	: Long term	
Location	: Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon	
Experimental Details	:	
<ul> <li>01 Date of Plan</li> <li>02 Varieties</li> <li>03 Fertilizers</li> <li>04 Intercultural operations</li> <li>05 Irrigation</li> <li>06 Plant protect</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>12+03=15</li> <li>250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup>)</li> <li>Weeding as and when required and earthing up after 4.5 months after planting.</li> <li>At an interval of 10-15 days as per availability</li> </ul>	1
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# Methods of recording observations :

#### 01 Early shoot borer :

The observations on the total number of shoots and number of dead hearts due to the early shoot borer were recorded at 30, 60, 90 and 120 days after planting and cumulative per cent infestation was worked out.

# 02 Internode borer, scale insect and mealy bugs :

The observations were recorded at harvest on 25 canes. The per cent incidence and intensity of internode borer, scale insect and mealy bugs were worked out.

# **Results:**

The data are presented in table 1. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

# Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 11.54 to 38.61 per cent. The least incidence was observed in Co 10005 (11.54 %) followed by CoM 10082 (13.12), Co 85004 (13.58), Co 10004 (14.08) and CoM 10081 (15.09) per cent. A total of 4, 10 and 1 test genotypes were observed less susceptible, moderately susceptible and highly susceptible to early shoot borer, respectively.

## **Internode borer (IB):**

Regarding internode borer, the incidence ranged from 26.67 to 66.67 per cent. The genotype Co 10005 recorded the least incidence (26.67%) of internode borer followed by CoM 10082 (30) and Co 85004 (33.33) per cent. Not a single entry noticed less susceptible reaction to internode borer. The 6 and 9 test genotypes observed moderately susceptible and highly susceptible reaction to internode borer respectively.

# Top shoot borer (TSB):

All test genotypes noticed no incidence of top shoot borer and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

# Mealy bug (MB):

The incidence of mealy bug, ranged from 66.67 to 96.67 %. The Co 94008 recorded least incidence of mealy bug (66.67) per cent followed by Co 10004 (70) and Co 10005 (73.33) per cent. Not a single test genotypes observed less susceptible as well as moderately susceptible reaction to mealy bug.

#### Scale insect (SI):

In case of scale insect the incidence ranged from 0 to 40 per cent. The entries viz. Co 10027, CoN 10071 and CoT 10366 recorded no incidence of scale insect, whereas highest incidence (40%) was observed in Co 10005 as well as Co 10006. The 7,5&3 test genotypes recorded less susceptible, moderately susceptible & highly susceptible reactions to scale insect, respectively.

None of the entries recorded less susceptible reaction to internode borer as well as mealy bug. All test genotypes recorded less susceptible reaction to top shoot borer, where as highly susceptible reaction to mealy bug. The entry Co 10005 recorded least incidence to early shoot borer (11.54%) as well as internode borer (26.67%), where as highest incidence to scale insect (40%). The entry Co 10006 observed highest incidence to early shoot borer (38.61%) as well as scale insect (40%). The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 11.54 to 38.61 per cent. Regarding internode borer, the incidence of top shoot borer and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer. The incidence of mealy bug, ranged from 66.67 to 96.67 %. In case of scale insect the incidence ranged from 0 to 40 per cent.

#### **Project No. E.4.1 (2)**

Title	<b>)</b>	:	Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [AVT Early II Plant].				
Obje	ective	:	To grade the entries in the trial for their behaviour towards damage by key pest in the area.	r			
Year	of start	:	1985-86				
Dura	ation	:	Long term				
Loca	ntion	:	Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon				
Expe Deta	erimental ils	:					
01	Date of Planti	n	<b>g</b> : 19/01/2013				
02	Varieties		: 02+03=05				
03	Fertilizers		: 250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )				
04	Intercultural		: Weeding as and when required and earthing up				
	operations		after 4.5 months after planting.				
05	Irrigation		: At an interval of 10-15 days as per availability				
06	Plant protecti	01	on : Not applied.				
	measures						
07	Plot size		: 6m X 2 m				
08	Design		: RBD				

**09 Replications :** Three

**10 Harvesting date :** 27/02/2014

# **Results:**

The data are presented in table 2. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

# Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 22.40(Co 08001) to 31.20 (Co 94008) per cent. Not a single test genotype was observed less susceptible reaction to early shoot borer. The Co 08001 recorded least incidence followed by VSI 08121 (29.30) per cent.

# Internode borer (IB):

In case of internode borer, the infestation ranged from 26.67 to 66.67 per cent. The Co 85004 recorded least incidence of internode borer (26.67) per cent followed by Co 94008 (46.67) per cent. None of the genotypes observed less susceptible reaction to internode borer. The 1 and 4 test genotypes recorded moderately susceptible and highly susceptible reaction to internode borer, respectively.

# Top shoot borer (TSB):

All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

# Mealy bug (MB):

Regarding mealy bug, the incidence ranged from 63.33 to 93.33 %. However, all test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to mealy bugs. The CoC 671 observed least infestation to mealy bug (63.33%) followed by Co 94008 (66.67%). Not a single entry showed less susceptible & moderately susceptible reaction to mealy bug.

#### Scale insect (SI):

The incidence of scale insect, ranged from 0 to 16.67 %. The 4 & 1 test genotypes observed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reactions to scale insect respectively. Only one entry i.e. Co 94008 observed moderately susceptible reactions to scale insect (16.67%).

The entry Co 08001 observed least incidence of early shoot borer (22.40%) as well as to scale insect (no incidence). The Co 85004 recorded least incidence of internode borer (26.67%) where as highest incidence to mealy bug (93.33%). The Co 94008 showed highest incidence to early shoot borer (31.20%) as well as scale insect (16.67%). The CoC 671 showed least incidence to mealy bug (63.33%), where as highest incidence to internode borer (66.67%). Not a single entry recorded less susceptible reaction to early shoot borer as well as internode borer, where as highest to that of scale insect. The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 22.40 (Co 08001) to 31.20 (Co 94008) per cent. In case of internode borer, the infestation ranged from 26.67 to 66.67 per cent. Regarding mealy bug, the incidence ranged from 63.33 to 93.33 per cent. The incidence of scale insect, ranged from 0 to 16.67 per cent.

#### **Project No. E.4.1 (3)**

Title	2	:	: Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [AVT (Early Ratoon)].				
Obje	ective	:	To grade the entries in the trials for their behavior towards damage by key pest in the area.				
Year	r of start	:	1985-8	36			
Dura	ation	: Long term					
Loca	ation	: Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon.					
Expo Deta	erimental nils	:					
01	Date of Plan	tin	g:	07/02/2013			
02	Varieties	: 02+03=05					
03	Fertilizers	: 250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )					
04	Intercultura	ral : Weeding as and when required and earthing up					
	operations			after 4.5 months after planting.			
05	Irrigation		:	At an interval of 10-15 days as per availability			

06	Plant protection	:	Not applied.
	measures		
07	Plot size	:	6m X 2 m
<b>08</b>	Design	:	RBD
<b>09</b>	Replications	:	Three
10	Harvesting date	:	29/02/2014

# **Results:**

The data is presented in table 3. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

# Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 14.22 (VSI 08121) to 24.84 (CoC 671) per cent. The 1&4 test genotypes showed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reaction to early shoot borer, respectively. The least incidence recorded in VSI 08121(14.22) per cent followed by Co 85004 (19.19%) and Co 94008 (20.34%).

# **Internode borer (IB):**

The internode borer incidence ranged from 27.50 to 50.00per cent. The least incidence of internode borer observed in Co 85004 as well as CoC 671, which recorded 27.50% infestation. Not a single entry recorded less susceptible reaction to internode borer. The 3&2 test genotypes observed moderately susceptible and highly susceptible reaction to internode borer, respectively.

# Top shoot borer (TSB):

All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

#### Mealy bug (MB):

The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 82.50 (Co 08001) to cent per cent (Co 85004 and CoC 671). However, all test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to mealy bug.

# Scale insect (SI):

The incidence of scale insect ranged from 75 (Co 08001) to cent per cent (Co 85004). All test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to scale insect.

Not single test genotypes recorded less susceptible reaction to internode borer mealy bug as well as scale insect. All test genotypes observed highly susceptible reaction to scale insect. Only one test genotypes i.e. VSI 081210bserved less susceptible reaction early shoot borer. The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 14.22 (VSI 08121) to 24.84 (CoC 671) per cent. The internode borer incidence ranged from 27.50 to 50.00per cent. All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer. The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 82.50 (Co 08001) to cent per cent (Co 85004 and CoC 671). The incidence of scale insect ranged from 75 (Co 08001) to cent per cent (Co 85004).

#### **Project No. E.4.1 (4)**

Title		:	Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [IVT ML].				
Obje	ective	:	To grade the entries in the trials for their behaviour towards damage by key pest in the area.				
Year	<b>'ear of start</b> : 1985-86						
Dura	ation	:	Long term				
	Location : Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon Experimental Details :						
01 02 03 04 05 06	Date of Plant Varieties Fertilizers Intercultural operations Irrigation Plant protect measures	I	<ul> <li>14+02=16</li> <li>250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup>)</li> <li>Weeding as and when required and earthing up after 4.5 months after planting.</li> <li>At an interval of 10-15 days as per availability</li> </ul>				
07 08 09	Plot size Design Replications		: 6m X 2m : RBD : Three				

# **10 Harvesting date :** 28/02/2014 **Results:**

The data is presented in table 4. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

# Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 13.78 to 26.25 per cent. The2&14 test genotypes showed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reaction to early shoot borer, respectively. The Co 10015 recorded least incidence of early shoot borer (13.78%) followed by CoVC 10061 (15.03) and CoVSI 10121 (15.93) per cent.

# **Internode borer (IB):**

Regarding internode borer, the incidence ranged from 26.67 to 60 per cent. Not a single entry recorded less susceptible reaction to internode borer. The 11 and 5 test genotypes observed moderately susceptible and highly susceptible reaction to internode borer respectively. The entry Co 10015 recorded least incidence of internode borer (26.67%) followed by CoM 10083, CoT 10368 and PI 10132(30 per cent each).

#### **Top shoot borer (TSB):**

All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

#### Mealy bug (MB):

The mealy bug incidence ranged from 30.00 to 93.33 per cent. All test genotypes showed highly susceptible reaction to mealy bug, except Co 10031 which recorded moderately susceptible reaction (30.00%). It was followed by Co 10033, which observed 53.33% incidence of mealy bug.

#### Scale insect (SI):

In case of scale insect, the incidence ranged from 0 to 56.67 %. The 9,4&3 test genotypes recorded less susceptible, moderately susceptible & highly susceptible reactions to scale insect, respectively.

The entry Co 10015 observed least incidence of early shoot borer (13.78%), internode borer (26.67%), and scale insect (no incidence). Co 10031 recorded highest incidence of internode borer (60%), whereas least incidence of mealy bug (30%). Not a single entry observed less susceptible reaction to internode borer and mealy bug. The 2&9 test genotypes showed less susceptible reaction to early shoot borer and scale insect respectively. The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 13.78 to 26.25 per cent. Regarding internode borer, the incidence ranged from 26.67 to 60 per cent. All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer. The mealy bug incidence ranged from 30.00 to 93.33 per cent. In case of scale insect, the incidence ranged from 0 to 56.67 per cent.

## **Project No. E.4.1 (5)**

Title	9	:	Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [AVT ML II PL] .				
Obje	ective	:		0	ade the entries in the trials for their behaviour Is damage by key pest in the area.		
Year	of start	:	19	85-8	36		
Dura	ation	:	Lo	ng t	erm		
Loca	ntion	:	: Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon.				
Expo Deta	erimental	:					
01	Date of Plan	ntir	σ	:	19/01/2013		
02	Varieties		8		05+02=07		
03				:	250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )		
04							
	operations				after 4.5 months after planting.		
05							
06	Plant protection : Not applied.						
	measures						
07	Plot size			:	6m X 2 m		
08	Design			:	RBD		

09	Replications	:	Three
10	Harvesting date	:	28/02/2014

# **Results:**

The data is presented in table 5. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

# Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 11.84 (Co 08008) to 32.82 (Co 08016). Total 1, 5&1 test genotypes recorde less susceptible, moderately susceptible & highly susceptible reaction to early shoot borer, respectively. The entry Co 08008 recorded least incidence of early shoot borer followed by Co 08009 (19.08) and Co Snk 08101 (22.05) per cent.

# **Internode borer (IB):**

Regarding internode borer, the infestation ranged from 30 (Co 08008) to 60 (CoSnk 08101) per cent. Among seven entries tested, 4 showed moderately susceptible reaction and 3 observed highly susceptible reaction to internode borer. The Co 08008 recorded least incidence of internode borer (30%) followed by Co 08009 and Co 99004 (33.33% each). Not a single entry recorded less susceptible reaction to internode borer.

# **Top shoot borer** (**TSB**):

All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

# Mealy bug (MB):

The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 63.33 to 96.67 %. The all test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to mealy bugs. The least incidence of mealy bug observed in Co 08008 (63.33) followed by Co 08009 (66.67%). However, Co 08020 recorded least % intensity (5.41) of mealy bug.

# Scale insect (SI):

In case of scale insect, the infestation ranged from 0 to 20 %. The entries Co 99004, Co 86032 and Co Snk 08101recorded no incidence of scale insect followed by Co 08016 (6.67%). The 4 & 3 test genotypes observed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reactions to scale insect, respectively.

The entry Co 08008 observed least incidence of early shoot borer (11.84%), internode borer (30%) and mealy bug (63.33%). All test genotypes showed less susceptible reaction to top shoot borer where as highly susceptible reaction to mealy bugs. Not single entries observed less susceptible reaction to internode borer as well as mealy bug. The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 11.84 (Co 08008) to 32.82 (Co 08016). Regarding internode borer, the infestation ranged from 30 (Co 08008) to 60 (CoSNK 08101) per cent. All test genotypes noticed no incidence and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer. The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 63.33 to 96.67 %. In case of scale insect, the infestation ranged from 0 to 20 per cent.

# **Project No. E.4.1 (6)**

Title	: Evaluation of genotypes for their reaction against major insect pests [AVT ML - Ratoon].			
Objective	: To grade the entries in the trials for their behaviour towards damage by key pest in the area.			
Year of start	: 1985-86			
Duration	: Long term			
Location	: Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon			
Experimental Details :				
01 Date of P	<b>lanting</b> : 07.02.2013			

UI	Date of Flaining	• 07.02.2013
02	Varieties	: 05+02=07
03	Fertilizers	: 250:115:115 NPK (Kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )
04	Intercultural	: Weeding as and when required and earthing up
	operations	after 4.5 months after planting.
05	Irrigation	: At an interval of 10-15 days as per availability
06	Plant protection	: Not applied.
	measures	
07	Plot size	: 6m X 2 m

08	Design	:	RBD
09	Replications	:	Three
10	Harvesting date	:	29/02/2014

#### **Results:**

The data is presented in table 6. From the table, it is seen that the differences due to various genotypes in respect of cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer, internode borer, mealy bug and scale insect were statistically significant. It was observed that, there was no incidence of top shoot borer in all entries.

## Early shoot borer (ESB):

The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 12.57(Co 08020) to 22.60 (CoSnk 08101) per cent. The2&5 test genotypes showed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reaction to early shoot borer, respectively. The Co 08020 recorded least incidence (12.57) per cent followed by Co 08008 (14.69%) and Co 08009 (15.55%).

## **Internode borer (IB):**

Regarding internode borer, the incidence ranged from 10 (Co 86032) to 53.33 (Co 08020) per cent. The 3, 1 &3 test genotypes observed less susceptible, moderately susceptible and highly susceptible reaction to internode borer, respectively. The least incidence of internode borer observed in Co 86032 (10%) followed by Co 08009 (13.33%) and Co 08016(20%).

#### **Top shoot borer (TSB):**

All test genotypes noticed no incidence, and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer.

# Mealy bug (MB):

The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 66.67 to 90.00 per cent. The least incidence of mealy bug observed in Co 08009 and Co 86032, which recorded 66.67% infestation each. It was followed by Co 99004 (73.33%). However, all entries noticed highly susceptible reaction to mealy bug.

# Scale insect (SI):

The incidence of scale insect ranged from 40 (Co 99004) to 93.33 (Co 08016) per cent. Not a single entry observed less susceptible and moderately susceptible reactions to scale insect. However, all test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to scale insect.

The entry Co 08020 observed least incidence of early shoot borer (22.57%), where as highest incidence of internode borer (53.33%). The variety, Co 86032 recorded least incidence of internode borer (10%) as well as mealy bug (66.67%). The CoSnk 08101 observed highest incidence of early shoot borer (22.60%) as well as scale insect (93.33%). All test genotypes recorded highly susceptible reaction to mealy bug as well as scale insect, where as less susceptible reaction to top shoot borer. The 2&3 test genotypes noticed less susceptible reaction to early shoot borer as well as internode borer, respectively. The cumulative per cent infestation of early shoot borer ranged from 12.57(Co to 22.60 (CoSnk 08101) per cent. Regarding internode borer, the 08020) incidence ranged from 10 (Co 86032) to 53.33 (Co 08020) per cent. All test genotypes noticed no incidence, and ultimately showed less susceptible reaction for top shoot borer. The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 66.67 to 90.00 per cent. The incidence of scale insect ranged from 40 (Co 99004) to 93.33 (Co 08016) per cent.

Experiment No.2	:	Project No. E.28			
Title	:	Survey and surveillance of sugarcane insect pests.			
Objective	:	To identify key insect pests of sugarcane in the area.			
Year of start	:	2004-05			
Duration	:	Long term			

# Methodology

Roving survey of sugarcane fields were carried out in 5-8 km area around Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon. Survey was carried out during 2013-14 on farmers field in different villages *viz.*, Padegaon Farm (Phaltan), Padegaon (Khandala), Pimpre kd.(Purandar) and Balu Patalachi wadi (Khandala) etc. In most of the fields, Co 86032 and CoM 0265 varieties were planted. The observations on the incidence of borers on 100 canes were examined at five places and for sucking pests 20 canes were observed.

#### **Results :**

#### **Early shoot borer :**

The early shoot borer incidence was highest in *suru* planting which was ranged from 8.33 to 20.67 per cent. Maximum incidence was observed in late planting and in light soils. This year (2013), the incidence of early shoot borer was high during late planting may be due to less availability of irrigation water and high temperature.

In case of Adsali planting, the incidence of early shoot borer ranged from 04 to 16.67 per cent. In *preseasonal* planting, incidence of early shoot borer ranged from 3.03 to 11.00 per cent. Hence, to avoid the incidence of early shoot borer, *preseasonal / adsali* planting of sugarcane is most suitable time.

#### **Internode borer :**

The per cent incidence of internode borer in *Adsali* planting ranged from 30.00 to 50.00 per cent, in *preseasonal* planting, it was from 10.00 to 40.00 per cent and in *suru* it was 20.00 to 40.00 per cent. Though, the incidence of internode borer appeared so highly, its intensity ranged from 1.67 to 4.67 per cent in Adsali, 1.33 to 3.67 per cent in pre-seasonal and 1.00 to 2.67 per cent in seasonal planting.

#### **Other pests :**

The incidence of top shoot borer ranged from low to traces. During this year, the incidence of sugarcane woolly aphid observed only on few stools on sugarcane i.e. 1-3 % in the field is highly infested with sugarcane woolly aphid. The stools, which are infected by sugarcane woolly aphid, covered the leaf area up to 70-80% with sugarcane woolly aphid mostly during July to December, 2013. Near water bodies, some plots are infested up to 20 to 40 per cent.

However, very negligible incidence of sugarcane woolly aphid was observed in farmers field. The predators *viz., Dipha aphidivora,* Syrphid and Lady bird beetle observed very rare on sugarcane woolly aphid colonies. However, the predators, *Micromus igorotus* as well as the parasitoid, *Encarsia flavoscutellum* observed more than the other predator/parasites. The rare activity of the predator *viz., <u>Ankylopteryx sp.</u>* (Neuroptera : Chrysopidae ) recorded in the farmers field.

The incidence of mealy bug ranged from 10 to 40.00 per cent. However, during this year the intensity of mealy bug was ranged with 2.33 to 5.67 per cent. The incidence of scale insect ranged from 0 to 40 per cent. In ratoon crop, the incidence of scale insect and mealy bug was more. However, the new scale, *Aclerda* sp. nr. *takahashii* belongs to family Aclerdidae recorded on ratoon crop of sugarcane at Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon, which was identified from, "National Bureau of Agricultural Important Insect, Bangalore, during previous year."

#### **Conclusion:**

Early shoot borer is key pest of this area and per cent insect infestation was highest in *suru* planting than *adsali* and *preseasonal*. The incidence of early shoot borer ranged from 08.33 to 20.67 per cent. The incidence of internode borer was also observed up to 50.00 per cent. During this year (2013-14), the incidence of mealy bug was recorded up to 40.00 %. However, the intensity of mealy bug ranged between 2.33 to 5.67 per cent.

The incidence of top shoot borer, sugarcane woolly aphid, white fly, pyrilla were in traces to low and most fields observed less susceptible reaction to these pests. However, the little incidence of the new scale, *Aclerda* sp. nr. *takahashii* belongs to family Aclerdidae recorded on ratoon crop of sugarcane at Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon.

Experiment No.3	: Pro	oject E 30			
Title		nitoring of ir system.	nsect pests and	l bio-agents in agro	
Objective		: To monitor the key insect pests and natural enemies in the area.			
Experimental Details	: 1 2 3	Year of start Duration Season	: 2006-07 : Long term : Suru		

#### **Observations :**

1. Observations on incidence of borers were recorded by examining 100 canes at five places (four corners and in the middle), sucking pests by examining 20 canes.

2. Meteorological data (Weekly average) was recorded on temperature (maximum and minimum), relative humidity and total rainfall.

#### **Results :**

The data regarding percent cumulative infestation and average number of woolly aphid per 2.5 cm<sup>2</sup> leaf area and meteorological data are presented in table -7.

#### Early shoot borer:

The infestation of early shoot borer (0.62%) was noticed in 09 MW (i.e. 26 February to 04 March). The maximum incidence (14.00%) was noticed in 20 MW (i.e.  $3^{rd}$  week of May), when the maximum and minimum temperature were 37.4 and 24.8°C, respectively. Afterwards, it was decreased gradually up to 22 MW.

#### Sugarcane woolly aphid:

The first incidence of woolly aphid was noticed in  $30^{\text{th}}$  MW (2.89 woolly aphid / 2.5 cm<sup>2</sup> / 3 leaves). The maximum average number of woolly aphid was recorded (18.30) in 41 MW (2<sup>nd</sup> week October of 2013). Afterwards, incidence shown declined trend which may be due to high temperature in succeeding meteorological weeks as well as predator/parasite activity.

The activity of predators viz., Syrphid, *Dipha aphidivora* and Lady bird beetle were in traces to low during July to October. The *Micromus igorotus* was observed @ 7-11 per leaf in 38<sup>th</sup> MW. The parasitoid *Encarsia flavoscutellum* observed @ 4-20 per stool in August-September, which is comparatively lower than that of November, 2013. *Encarsia flavoscutellum* recorded its peak activity in 46-50 MW (3<sup>rd</sup> week of November to 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December 2013) @ 08 to 25 numbers per leaf sugarcane having woolly aphid infestation. Due to heavy parasitism of *Encarsia flavoscutellum*, the woolly aphid again disappeared after 50 MW.

The parasitoid, *Encarsia flavoscutellum* played a pivotal role in suppressing the woolly aphid infestation, particularly in November- December months of 2013 followed by *Micromus igorotus* and *Dipha aphidivora* at Central Sugarcane Research Station, Padegaon. The activity of Syrphid as well as *Dipha aphidivora* was higher in 48 to 52 MW (i.e. 4<sup>th</sup> week of November to last week of December 2013).

#### **Conclusion:**

The effect of meteorological parameters was studied against early shoot borer and sugarcane woolly aphid. Maximum incidence of early shoot borer was recorded in  $20^{\text{th}}$  MW (3<sup>rd</sup> week of May) (14%), when the maximum and minimum temperature was  $37.4^{\circ}$  C and  $24.8^{\circ}$  C, respectively. In case of sugarcane woolly aphid, the maximum incidence (18.30 woolly aphid/2.5 m<sup>2</sup>/3leaf) was recorded in  $41^{\text{st}}$  MW of 2013, when the maximum and minimum temperatures were 30.7 and  $21.0^{\circ}$ C, respectively.

Name of the Pest	Infestation	Reac-	Natural Enemies
	(%)	tion	Recorded (Per Leaf)
Early shoot borer	17-21	MS	
Internode borer	20-22	LS	
Top shoot borer	In traces- low	LS	
Mealy bug	20-30	MS	
Scale insect	In traces to low	LS	
Pyrilla	In traces	LS	Epiricanea melanoleuca
White fly	In traces	LS	Ablerus chionaspidis,
			<i>Encarsia</i> sp. (both
			Aphelinidae) and Amitus
			sp. (Platygastridae)
Sugarcane woolly	In traces to	LS	Micromus igorotus 35 to
aphid	high (on very		51 MW)( 1-5 per leaf )
	few stools in		peak 38 MW (7-11/leaf);
	field)		D. aphidivora (1-4 per
			leaf in 38 to 48 MW);
			Syrphid (0-2 per leaf in
			40-48 MW) and <i>E</i> .
			flavoscutellum
			4-20 per stool in August-
			September and peak
			activity @ 08-25 per leaf
			in 46-50 MW ; Lady bird
			beetle (rare);
			Ankylopteryx sp. (rare).

Table 7: Incidence of different pests and their natural enemies during2013-14 at CSRS Padegaon.

Data in Table – 7 indicated that the occurrence of pests *viz.*, top shoot borer, Pyrilla, White fly, Scale insect and Sugarcane woolly aphid were recorded at low levels which may be due to presence of natural enemies. The internode borer, recorded less susceptible to moderately susceptible reaction (20-22%), but moderate incidence of mealy bug up to 30 per cent was observed.

Meteorolo-	Te	mp	RI	I %	Rainfall	ESB %	Average
gical Week	Max	Min	RH1	RH2	(mm)	infestation	Woolly Aphid/ 2.5 c m <sup>2</sup>
1	32.2	14.4	96	46	000.0	_	/3 Leaf
2	29.4	10.5	96	45	000.0	_	_
3	31.4	11.7	98	35	000.0	_	_
4	30.9	12.5	97	38	000.0	_	_
5	31.6	14.4	96	42	000.0	_	_
6	31.4	15.3	95	45	000.0	_	_
7	32.0	14.9	94	48	000.0	0.00	_
8	33.1	13.5	91	37	000.0	0.00	-
9	33.8	12.7	89	36	000.0	0.62	-
10	35.3	14.4	88	40	000.0	2.22	-
11	35.4	17.9	92	48	000.0	4.33	-
12	36.2	17.8	91	53	000.0	5.73	-
13	37.1	19.4	89	41	0.000	8.07	-
14	37.4	17.8	86	49	0.000	13.12	-
15	39.0	21.3	85	50	0.000	11.54	-
16	36.2	20.0	93	57	0.000	7.29	-
17	38.4	24.4	90	51	0.000	10.27	-
18	39.9	23.1	85	48	0.000	9.99	-
19	39.0	24.1	91	46	0.000	7.03	-
20	37.4	24.8	89	56	0.000	14.00	-
21	38.0	25.3	89	48	0.000	11.84	-
22	38.2	24.1	82	45	044.0	-	-
23	33.0	20.9	93	59	039.8	-	-
24	28.5	22.0	96	80	050.2	-	-
25	30.1	22.4	94	69	010.3	-	-
26	28.7	21.9	90	74	011.7	-	-
27	29.0	21.7	93	70	010.2	-	-
28	27.1	21.0	94	82	014.3	-	-
29	26.1	21.3	98	89	020.8	-	-
30	26.7	21.8	97	87	020.2	-	2.89
31	27.2	21.1	94	82	022.1	-	4.75
32	28.6	21.2	96	79	000.0	-	6.61

Table 8:Incidence of climatic factors on the incidence of early shoot<br/>borer and wooly aphid.

Meteorolo-	Te	mp	RI	I %	Rainfall	ESB %	Average
gical Week	Max	Min	RH1	RH2	(mm)	infestation	Woolly Aphid/ 2.5 c m <sup>2</sup> /3 Leaf
33	29.4	22.4	97	84	026.8	-	3.18
34	28.6	21.9	94	82	000.5	-	4.69
35	30.7	21.1	96	76	000.5	-	6.59
36	31.5	21.1	97	71	022.6	-	4.53
37	30.2	21.5	98	88	137.1	-	5.31
38	29.5	20.2	97	80	080.5	-	7.63
39	29.1	20.9	98	89	012.4	-	11.65
40	30.6	20.5	97	87	006.7	-	11.38
41	30.7	21.0	98	81	005.2	-	18.30
42	31.7	21.2	98	79	000.0	-	14.65
43	31.5	21.5	98	83	025.1	-	9.41
44	30.9	18.4	98	74	000.0	-	6.88
45	29.8	15.5	97	75	000.0	-	4.05
46	29.0	13.1	98	75	000.0	-	2.27
47	30.9	14.5	97	72	000.0	-	2.59
48	29.8	13.3	96	80	000.0	-	2.44
49	29.1	13.9	96	78	000.5	-	2.21
50	29.1	08.3	94	68	000.0	-	1.65
51	29.5	08.6	94	64	000.0	-	1.47
52	28.6	12.8	95	45	000.0	-	1.21
1	28.6	12.0	96	46	000.0	-	1.09
2	30.1	12.3	97	45	0.000	-	1.06
3	30.2	13.6	94	46	0.000	-	0.65
4	29.0	13.8	95	53	0.000	-	0.44
5	28.9	11.2	96	42	0.000	-	0.00
6	32.5	11.7	96	41	0.000	-	0.00

Experiment : No.4	: Project E. 33							
Title :	o-efficacy of insecticides again garcane	nst mealy bugs in						
Objective :	evaluate efficacy of insecticides sugarcane.	against mealy bugs						
Experimental Details	: 2011-12 Design : RBD Replications : Three Plot size : 6.0 x 5.4 m Planting date : 19.01.2013 Variety : Most susception respective cent No. of : 9 treatments	•						

#### Tr Name of the treatment

- No.
  - 1 : Sett treatment of Imidacloprid 70 WG / SP 25 g a.i./ha + spraying of Imidacloprid 17.8 SL 0.005%
  - 2 : Sett treatment of Imidacloprid 70 % WG / SP 25 g a.i./ha + spraying of Thiamethoxam 25WG 0.004%
  - 3 : Sett treatment of Imidacloprid 70 % WG / SP 25 g a.i./ha + spraying of Clothianidin 50 WSG 0.004%
  - 4 : Sett treatment of Imidacloprid 70 % WG / SP 25 g a.i./ha + spraying of Acetamaprid 20 SP 0.004%
  - 5 : Sett treatment of Thiamethoxam 70 WG / SP 10 g a.i./ha + spraying of Imidacloprid 17.8 SL 0.005%
  - 6 : Sett treatment of Thiamethoxam 70 WG / SP 10 g a.i./ha + spraying of Thiamethoxam 25 WG 0.004%
  - 7 : Sett treatment of Thiamethoxam 70 WG / SP 10 g a.i./ha + spraying of Clothianidin 50 WSG 0.004%
  - 8 : Sett treatment of Thiamethoxam 70 WG / SP 10 g a.i./ha + spraying of Acetamaprid 20 SP 0.004%
  - 9 : Untreated Control

- Method of<br/>Application: Dose of a.i. is based on 35000 three eye bud setts. Spraying<br/>was done at the time of cane formation (i.e. 4-5 months after<br/>planting).
- **Method of** : Germination percentage at 30 and 45 DAP

Randomaly select 10 canes from 3 meter row length and count number of infested internodes out of total number of internodes.

- ▶ Before spraying and 7, 15 and 30 DAS and harvest.
- > Yield and quality parameters.
- **Results** : The experiment was planted on 19.01.2013. The initial treatments as per technical programme have been done. However, the incidence of mealy bug was negligible and hence the trial is vitiated.

# Expt No.5 :Project E.34Title :Standardization of simple, cost effective techniques for<br/>mass multiplication of sugarcane bioagents.

**Objective :** To develop simple and cost effective mass multiplication techniques of promising bio- agents of the area.

Experime ntal	:	
Details		
Details	1 Leasting	
	1 Location	:
	2 Duration	:

observation

	2 Duration : Three years
	3 Year of Start : 2012-13
	4 Bio-agent to : $\succ$ Chrysoperla carnae
	be multiplied
Methodology :	Simple and cost effective host insect/media for multiplication of parasitoid/predator and insect pathogen/parasite.

Padegaon

 Note: For mass multiplication of entomopathogenic fungi Plant Pathologist at the center may be requested to jointly work. **Results** : The experiment was planted on 20.03.2013. The incidence of woolly aphid has been developed profusely on Co 86032.

Sufficient urea was applied to make leaves succulent. The white woolly aphid was inoculated on 22/08/2013 (34MW) from farmer's field and it was developed more than 50 per cent. The predator, Micromus igorotus was observed since 36 MW in 1-2 numbers of infested leaves. But, the population of Micromus *igorotus* was also present in farmers field, while collecting the infested leaves. The activity of Micromus igorotus was highest in 41 MW (i.e. 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October) up to 4-15 numbers/leaf. It was continued up to 52 MW (0-1 per leaf). The activity of Dipha aphidivora was recorded from 40 MW (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> week of October) to 02 MW of 2014 (i.e. second week of January, 2014) and it was up to 1-4 numbers/leaf. The activity of syrphid was less up to first fortnight of November and increased up to 2 numbers/leaf since 46 to 50 MW. The parasite, Encarsia flavoscutellum was observed up to maximum 4-20 numbers per leaf during November-December 2013.

The bio-agents, particularly *Micromus igorotus* and *Encarsia flavoscutellum* played a pivotal role in suppressing the woolly aphid population.

The bio agent *Chrysoperla carnea* was also released in 36 MW. However, it was developed in traces in the experimental field up to 52 MW.

Expt No.6 Title	<ul> <li>Project E 36 (New Project):</li> <li>Management of borer complex of sugarcane through lures.</li> </ul>				
Objective Experimental Details	<ul> <li>To manage sugarcane borers (early shoot borer, top borer, internode borer and stalk borer) through pheromone traps.</li> </ul>				
	<ol> <li>Year of start</li> <li>Plot size</li> <li>Variety</li> <li>Recommended variety of the location (Co 86032 / CoM 0265)</li> <li>Planting Date</li> </ol>				
Treatment details	: Pheromone lures of sugarcane early shoot borer, internode borer and top shoot borer.				
Plot Size	: Two blocks, each of minimum half acre. In first block, all traps were installed and the second plot was kept as such (control). In between both blocks, one acre sugarcane crop was taken to avoid the pheromone effect.				
Methodology	<ul> <li>In <i>Peninsular</i> and East Coast Zone, the test insect-pests will be <i>early shoot borer, top borer and internode borer</i>, while in North West and north central zones, early shoot borer, top borer and stalk borer.</li> <li>Three pheromone traps for each pest was installed in the second fortnight of February till harvest of crop in half acre of sugarcane crop.</li> <li>The pheromone lure was changed after 1.5 to 2 months.</li> </ul>				
Observation to be recorded	<ul> <li>: &gt; Observations on number of moths trapped was recorded at weekly interval.</li> <li>&gt; The mean number of moth capture was worked out.</li> <li>&gt; The correlation and regression of moth captures were worked out with weekly meteorological parameters.</li> <li>&gt; Infestation of each borer was recorded in both blocks.</li> </ul>				

Met. Week	Ter	np	RF	I %	Rainfall	ESB	IB	TSB
	Max	Min	RH1	RH2	(mm)			
01	32.2	14.4	96	46	000.0	-	-	-
02	29.4	10.5	96	45	000.0	-	-	-
03	31.4	11.7	98	35	000.0	-	-	-
04	30.9	12.5	97	38	000.0	-	-	-
05	31.6	14.4	96	42	000.0	-	-	-
06	31.4	15.3	95	45	000.0	-	-	-
07	32.0	14.9	94	48	000.0	-	-	-
08	33.1	13.5	91	37	000.0	-	-	-
09	33.8	12.7	89	36	000.0	1	0	0
10	35.3	14.4	88	40	000.0	4	0	0
11	35.4	17.9	92	48	000.0	5	0	0
12	36.2	17.8	91	53	000.0	0	0	0
13	37.1	19.4	89	41	000.0	0	0	0
14	37.4	17.8	86	49	000.0	0	0	0
15	39.0	21.3	85	50	000.0	3	0	0
16	36.2	20.0	93	57	000.0	3	0	1
17	38.4	24.4	90	51	000.0	2	1	0
18	39.9	23.1	85	48	000.0	1	0	0
19	39.0	24.1	91	46	000.0	2	2	1
20	37.4	24.8	89	56	000.0	0	0	0
21	38.0	25.3	89	48	000.0	1	0	2
22	38.2	24.1	82	45	044.0	0	0	1
23	33.0	20.9	93	59	039.8	0	0	0
24	28.5	22.0	96	80	050.2	0	0	0
25	30.1	22.4	94	69	010.3	0	1	0
26	28.7	21.9	90	74	011.7	0	0	0
27	29.0	21.7	93	70	010.2	0	0	0
28	27.1	21.0	94	82	014.3	0	0	0
29	26.1	21.3	98	89	020.8	0	0	0
30	26.7	21.8	97	87	020.2	0	0	0
31	27.2	21.1	94	82	022.1	0	0	0
32	28.6	21.2	96	79	0.000	0	0	0
33	29.4	22.4	97	84	026.8	0	1	0
34	28.6	21.9	94	82	000.5	0	0	0

 Table – 9 The average pheromone trap catches of pests as per meteorological weeks.

Met. Week	Ter	np	RI	I %	Rainfall	ESB	IB	TSB
	Max	Min	RH1	RH2	(mm)			
35	30.7	21.1	96	76	000.5	0	0	0
36	31.5	21.1	97	71	022.6	0	0	0
37	30.2	21.5	98	88	137.1	0	0	0
38	29.5	20.2	97	80	080.5	0	0	0
39	29.1	20.9	98	89	012.4	0	0	0
40	30.6	20.5	97	87	006.7	0	0	0
41	30.7	21.0	98	81	005.2	1	0	0
42	31.7	21.2	98	79	0.000	0	0	0
43	31.5	21.5	98	83	025.1	0	0	0
44	30.9	18.4	98	74	0.000	0	0	0
45	29.8	15.5	97	75	0.000	0	0	0
46	29.0	13.1	98	75	000.0	0	0	0
47	30.9	14.5	97	72	0.000	0	0	0
48	29.8	13.3	96	80	000.0	0	0	0
49	29.1	13.9	96	78	000.5	0	0	0
50	29.1	08.3	94	68	000.0	0	0	0
51	29.5	08.6	94	64	000.0	0	0	0
52	28.6	12.8	95	45	000.0	0	0	0
01	28.6	12.0	96	46	0.000	0	0	0
02	30.1	12.3	97	45	000.0	0	0	0
03	30.2	13.6	94	46	0.000	0	0	0
04	29.0	13.8	95	53	0.000	0	0	0
05	28.9	11.2	96	42	0.000	0	0	0
06	32.5	11.7	96	41	000.0	0	0	0

**Results** : The data regarding meteorological week wise weather parameters with moth catches of early shoot borer, internode borer and top shoot borer are presented in table-9. During last year, the observations on trap catches of earlier installed traps did not show any moth catches since 01<sup>st</sup> to 08<sup>th</sup> MW. This is due to the traps were in old matured cane field.

However, the new pheromone traps were installed in new planted Sugarcane crop. In that field, the highest number of moth catches in case : of early shoot borer were trapped in 11 MW (5 numbers/ trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 35.4 and 17.9<sup>o</sup>C, respectively.

The moth catches decreased gradually up to 22 MW. However, again the moth catches observed in 41 MW. Afterwards, there was no moth catches of early shoot borer.

The maximum average pheromone trap catches of internode borer was recorded in 19 MW (2 number per trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 39.0 and 24.1° C, respectively. Afterwards, there were no moth catches up to 24<sup>th</sup> MW. However, there were only one moth catch in 25<sup>th</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup>. In case of top shoot borer, the highest number of moth catches were observed in 21 MW (2 number per trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 38.0 and 25.3° C, respectively. Since 23<sup>rd</sup> MW, there were no moth catches of top shoot borer.

Conclusion : The highest number of moth catches in case of early shoot borer were trapped in 11 MW (5 numbers/ trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 35.4 and 17.9° C, respectively. The maximum average pheromone trap catches of internode borer was recorded in 19 MW (2 number per trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 39.0 and 24.1° C, respectively. In case of top shoot borer, the highest number of moth catches were observed in 21 MW (2 number per trap), when the maximum and minimum temperature was 38.0 and 25.3° C, respectively.

Expt No.6 Title	Project E 37 (New Project): Bioefficacy of new insecticides for the control of sugarcane early shoot borer.						
Objective	: To find out effective strategy for the management of sugarcane early shoot borer.						
Experimental Details	<ul> <li>1 Year of start : 2013-14</li> <li>2 Design : RBD</li> <li>3 Replications : Three</li> <li>4 Plot size</li></ul>						
Treatment details	·						
Tr No. 1	<ul><li>Name of the treatment</li><li>Soil application of Fipronil 0.3 G @ 25 Kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP</li></ul>						
2 3	Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP						
4	Spraying of Spinosad 45 SC @ 90 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP						
5	Spraying of Flubendiamide @ 250 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP						
6	Soil application of Phorate 10G @15 kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP						
7	: Soil application of Carbofuron 3G @ 33 kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP						
8	: Untreated Control						

### Method of observation :

# **Early Shoot borer:**

- ESB infestation was recorded by counting number of dead hearts easily pulled out and emitting offensive odour as well as the total number of shoots/plant in each net plot on 45, 60, 90 and 120 DAP.
- The per cent incidence of shoot borer was worked out by following formula:

Number of dead hearts X 100

Per cent incidence = Total number of shoots

• The cumulative per cent infestation was worked out by taking progressive total of infested shoots in proportion to total shoot formed.

## Yield, growth and quality parameters:

- (a) Germination (%)
- (b) Tillering per cent at 120 DAP
- (c) Number of millable cane
- (d) Cane yield (kg/ha)
- (e) Growth parameters (total cane height (cm), millable cane height (cm), number of internodes (10 canes/treatment/replication).
- (f) Quality parameters.

#### **Results:**

Data recorded on per cent incidence of early shoot borer (ESB), total number of millable canes (000 per ha) and yield (t/ha) are presented in table 10.

After 45 days of planting, the differences regarding incidence of early shoot borer were statistically significant. The soil application of fipronil 0.3 G as well as chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G showed no incidence of early shoot borer and they were significantly superior over rest of the treatments.

After 60 days of planting, Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP ( $T_2$ ) was significantly superior over rest of the treatments and observed 2.37 per cent ESB incidence. It was followed by Soil application of Fipronil 0.3 G @ 25 Kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP, which recorded 6.57 per cent incidence of early shoot borer.

After 90 days of planting, the treatment  $T_3$  (Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP ) was significantly superior over rest of treatments (3.21 % incidence of ESB). However, it was at par with  $T_2$  (Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP), which recorded 3.90 per cent incidence of early shoot borer.

After 120 days of planting, the treatment  $T_3$  (Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP ) showed least incidence of early shoot borer (3.62%). However, it was at par with the treatments  $T_2$ ,  $T_1$  and  $T_5$ .

The data on cumulative per cent incidence of early shoot borer revealed that, the treatment with Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP (T<sub>2</sub>) was significantly superior over rest of the treatments and recorded 8.77 per cent ESB incidence. It was followed by T<sub>3</sub> (Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP), which recorded 13.68 per cent early shoot borer incidence. However, it was at par with T<sub>1</sub> (Soil application of Fipronil 0.3 G @ 25 Kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP), which recorded 14.90 per cent incidence of early shoot borer.

The treatment with Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP (T<sub>2</sub>) observed significantly superior millable canes (84.44 thousand / ha) , except treatment T<sub>3</sub> Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP (78.22 thousand / ha), which were at par with each other.

Regarding yield, the treatment with Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP ( $T_2$ ) observed significantly superior yield (98.55 t / ha) over rest of the treatments. It was followed by  $T_3$  (Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5 SC @ 375 ml/ha at 30 & 60 DAP ) (90.67 t / ha). However, it was at par with  $T_1$  (Soil application of Fipronil 0.3 G @ 25 Kg/ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP) (86.67 t / ha).

#### **Conclusion:**

The treatment with Soil application of Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 G @ 22.5 kg / ha at the time of planting and 60 DAP ( $T_2$ ) was found most effective against early shoot borer, *Chilo infuscatellus* on sugarcane, which observed least cumulative incidence of early shoot borer (8.78 per cent ) and the highest yield (98.55 t / ha).

# TECHNICAL PROGRAMME (AICRP) OF SUGARCANE ENTOMOLOGY, PADEGAON (201415)

Exper	riment N	o.1 (Project E 4.1) :						
Evalu	<b>Evaluation zonal varieties / genotypes for their reaction against major</b>							
insect	pests							
	Trials		Entries					
1	Evaluat	ion of Initial Varietals Trial – Early [(IVT) 13+03=16						
	Early] g	enotypes for their reaction against major insect						
	pests.							
2	Evaluat	ion of Advanced Varietals Trial - Early (I	03+03=06					
	Plant) g	enotypes for their reaction against major insect						
	pests.							
3	Evaluati	aluation of Initial Varietal Trial – Midlate [IVT- 14+02=16						
	ML] genotypes for their reaction against major insect							
	pests.							
Fynor	imont	Survey and surveillance of sugarcane insect pes	ts					
-	ExperimentSurvey and surveillance of sugarcane insect pests.No.2 (E 28)							
	<b>Experiment</b> Monitoring of insect pests and bio-agents in sugarcane agro-							
-	No.3 (E 30) ecosystem.							
-								
		sugarcane.	abriques for					
Exper	<b>Experiment</b> Standardization of simple and cost effective techniques for							

No.4 (E 33)	sugarcane.					
Experiment	Standardization of simple and cost effective techniques for					
No.5 (E 34)	mass multiplication of Sugarcane bio-agents.					
Experiment	Management of borer complex of sugarcane through					
No.6 (E 36)	pheromone lures.					
Experiment	Bio-efficacy of newer insecticide for the control of					
No.7 (E 37)	sugarcane early shoot borer.					