

# Effect of Rice Husk Biochar and Inorganic Nitrogen on Growth and Yield Parameters of Direct Seeded Rice

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## ABSTRACT

A field experiment entitled “Effect of Rice Husk Biochar and Inorganic Nitrogen on Growth and Yield Parameters of Direct Seeded Rice” was carried out at Agricultural college farm, Bapatla during *kharif*, 2020-21. The experiment was performed with twenty treatments in split-plot design. The main plot comprised four biochar treatments (0, 2.5, 5.0 and 7.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup>) and sub plot with five different nitrogen levels (0, 40, 80, 120 and 160 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>). Among the biochar levels, plant height (104.8 cm), crop growth rate (6.4 g day<sup>-1</sup>), number of panicles m<sup>-2</sup> (302.5), panicle length (22.6 cm), total number of grains panicle<sup>-1</sup> (194.1) were significantly higher with the application of biochar @ 7.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup> as compared to control treatment. In case of inorganic nitrogen levels, 160 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> treatment was registered the higher plant height (106.2 cm), crop growth rate (6.8 g day<sup>-1</sup>), number of panicles m<sup>-2</sup> (307.3), panicle length (23.4 cm), total number of grains panicle<sup>-1</sup> (196.7) were significantly higher with the application of biochar @ 7.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup> as compared to control treatment. It was concluded that the application of biochar @ 7.5 t ha<sup>-1</sup> or 5.0 t ha<sup>-1</sup> and inorganic nitrogen @ 160 or 120 kg N ha<sup>-1</sup> were significantly improved the growth parameters and yield attributes of direct seeded rice during the study.

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