

Studies on Seasonal Occurrence of Pest Complex of Sunflower in Krishna-Guntur Zone of Andhra Pradesh

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ABSTRACT

A field experiment was conducted to study the seasonal occurrence of insect pests on sunflower at Agricultural College Farm, Bapatla during *rabi*, 2007-08. The peak occurrence of *Spodoptera. litura* (Fab.) was recorded during the second week of February while, sucking pests *viz.*, *Amrasca biguttula biguttula* (Ishida) and *Bemisia tabaci* (Gannadius) were observed during third week of January and *Aphis craccivora* (Koch) during the first week of January.

Key words : Insect pests, Seasonal occurrence, Sunflower.