



Seminar on white fly management in Punjab and Haryana



given safety kits with clear mandate that these could be reused, were non returnable and could be shared with their neighbours on staggered basis.

- Report by
Harish Mehta

Crop Care Federation of India conducted the training program on 22nd and 23rd June, 2019 in Bhatinda and Sirsa wherein over 2000 farmers and their contract labour participated. Scientists from Regional Research Station presented the agrochemical practices in cotton cultivation, the pest cycle, damage caused, economic threshold level, remedial measures and time to spray.

Mr. Pramod Tiwari and Mr. Tushar Trivedi gave technical advantage of rotating pesticidal sprays and on commercial use of tractor mounted sprayers for contract operations. Mr. Harish Mehta and Ms. Nirmala Pathrawal conducted the live demonstration to show the correct and incorrect method, right from purchase, storage, preparing spray solution, selection of equipment and precautions while spraying. At both the location CCFI felicitated selected farmers for their outstanding performance. Farmers were



हमने इस तरह के अभ्यास को पूरी तरह से हतोत्साहित किया, साथ ही तम्बाकू और शराब का उपयोग भी किया जबकि छिड़काव को कॉन्ट्रैक्ट श्रमिकों द्वारा पूरी तरह से रोक दिया गया था।

Three training programs on Pink Bollworm in Telengana





During 5th – 7th August, 2019 three training programs were conducted in Karimnagar, Nirmal and Mehbubabad districts of Telengana.

Ms. Nirmala Pathrawal conducted this program along with representatives of member companies. The major issue with the farmer here was the tendency of mixing of two or more molecules expecting better result. We totally discouraged such a practice, also the use of tobacco and liquor while spraying was to be totally stopped even with the contract labour.

Over 2000 safety kits were distributed to all the farmers. The response was very enthusiastic as the farmers were very knowledgeable and receptive.

- Report by
Nirmala Pathrawal



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CCFI's Stall a Crowd Puller at Agrovision- Nagpur



11th edition of Agrovision was held at Reshimbagh Ground, Nagpur from 22-25, November, 2019 covering an area of

15,000 sq mts. This is one of the largest agriculture summit with participation by Ministry of Agriculture and state government of several states.

CCFI put up a very impressive stall at this





exhibition which had over 350 participants in seven specially created domes. A separate open area was kept for tractors & farm machinery and cattle. Our theme was on "Achievements made by Indian Agriculture and the role of Agrochemicals" in minimizing crop losses and increasing crop productivity.

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While conducting the work shop on proper use of agrochemicals. Nirmala Pathrawal and Harish Mehta demonstrated the correct way of using the equipment , making of spray solution, the importance of label and leaflet, besides using the





subject.

Earlier the event was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister Shri. Nitin Gadkari, Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Micro. Small & Medium Enterprises. Mr. R D Shroff, Chairman CCFI was among the dignitaries present who was honoured by the Agrovision team

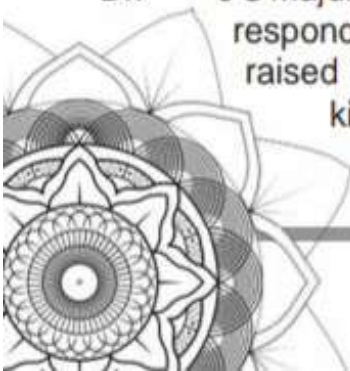
Hon'ble Minister Shri. Nitin Gadkari visited our stall and was appreciative of the efforts by CCFI to create awareness for human safety. Mr. R D Shroff, Chairman also visited CCFI stall where we had arranged troupe to depict

recommended doze with specified quantity of water.

Dr. J C Majumdar and Dr. C D Mayee responded to the queries raised by the farmers where kits were distributed by us. We screened our Marathi films on this

the theme by local songs which were popular with the visitors. Our technical literature, Crop Care Magazine and calendar for 2020 were distributed at the event.

- Report by Harish Mehta





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Farmers Training Program on controlling Pink Bollworm on cotton in Maharashtra and Gujarat



Four programs were held for training the

farmers for taking precautionary steps against attack of pink bollworm – a major pest on cotton on those areas. Starting with Maharashtra the programs were held on 23rd and 25th July, 2019 at Chandrapur and Yavatmal which have faced this ordeal in the past. This was followed by two Farmers



Training Programs in Gujarat at Baroda & Rajkot on 26th and 27th July, 2019. State government officials felt that by taking these steps the industry would not only educate the farmers but would also ensure minimizing inhalation cases. Several Subject Matters Specialist talked on the damage caused by pink bollworm and the subsequent crop losses. Mr. Harish Mehta and Ms. Nirmala Pathrawal highlighted the importance of label and leaflet which are normally overlooked by the dealer and the farmer alike. Over 1200 farmers attended these two programs.



In Gujarat Ms. Nirmala Pathrawal welcomed Dr. P K Borad Head of Entomology, Anand Agriculture University as the chief guest. Several government

dignitaries present answered the queries raised by the farmers on reducing crop losses thereby increasing their yield. The training program was conducted by Mr. Harish Mehta and Ms. Nirmala Pathrawal where free kits were distributed to the farmers along with certificate of participation. In Gujarat event about 1100 farmers were present.

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Harish Mehta
Senior Advisor CCFI



First Farmers Training Program in Andhra Pradesh : Guntur



Guntur referred as the "land of chilies" is a major center for agriculture. Among the other crops are tobacco and cotton. Pink bollworm is the most dreaded pest on cotton in Guntur district and we therefore decided to opt for this location.

Crop Care Federation of India had this first program in the state of Andhra Pradesh on 12th September, 2019 wherein almost 1000 farmers and farm labour were present for the training program.

Shri. H Arun Kumar , IAS, Spl. Commissioner Agriculture, Government of Andhra Pradesh was the Chief Guest who was very appreciative of the role played by CCFI and its members by creating "Awareness on safe use of agrochemicals" for pest and disease control.

Training included live demonstration with manually operated sprayers where the importance of using the correct doze was highlighted. A comparison was made to differentiate between the correct and incorrect ways of spraying at different stages of the crop cycle.

It was emphasized in order to cover larger areas the tendency of smoking and chewing tobacco has to be totally avoided. Nirmala Pathrawal explain the importance of label and leaflet whereas Harish Mehta

talked about precautions to be taken during purchases, storage, preparation of the spray solutions, actual spraying and the use of right nozzle.

There was also a demonstration by Adarsh Farm Services with their self propelled machine for contract spraying.

20 Trophies were awarded to progressive farmers and certificates were given to all the participants. The trained participants were given safety kits with clear instructions that they be used in any field operations. We also distributed technical literature and screened our educational films.

- Report by
Nirmala Pathrawal

