PRACTICAL MANUAL

For

WEED MANAGEMENT

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Syllabus AES 294 3(2+1):

Techniques of weed preservation. Weed identification and their losses study. Biology of important weeds. Study of herbicide formulations and mixture of herbicide. Herbicide and agrochemicals study. Shift of weed flora study in long term experiments. Study of methods of herbicide application, spraying equipments. Calculations of herbicide doses and weed control efficiency and weed index.

Note: Students should submit 50 pressed and well-mounted specimens.

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Objective: To study techniques of weed preservation Materials Required:			
Procedure:			
Collection of weed sample:			
Pressing and drying of collected specimen:			
Mounting on herbarium sheet			

Preparation and tagging

Particular	
Ref. No.	
Location and Habitat:	
Common name (English):	
Local Name:	
Scientific Name:	
Description:	
Collectors Address:	
Date & Time:	

Objective: To identify weeds

Activity: Collect thirty weed plants from the nearby areas and prepare herbarium with the following details in it:

				1		
S. No.			Scientific name	Group	Family	Remarks
1	Bermuda grass	Doobh	Cynodon dactylon	Narrow leaf	Poaceae	Perennial, adventitious roots, stolon
Mate						
Prod	edure:					
				ontified week		

List of identified weeds

S.No.	English name	Scientific name	Group	Family	Remarks
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% Yield losses

Objective: To study losses incurred due to weeds

Activity: The yield losses due to weeds can be estimated as below:

Yield from weedy plot

Estimation of losses due to weeds in major crops

Particular

Maize

	1	
Moong Bean		
Urd Bean		
Wheat		
Mustard		
Conclusion:		

Yield from treated plot

Objective: To study loss in quality incurred due to weeds

Activity: The loss in quality due to weeds can be estimated as below:

Weed seed counts in crop seeds (No/kg seed)

Crop	Name of the weed species					
-	1	2	3	4	5	6

Conclusion:	

Objective: To study biology of important weeds

Activity: The students will study biology of 8 most common weeds representing monocots and dicots present in Agronomy farm. They will note down the salient characteristics given below:

	Weed		Biology
1.		Leaf	
		Stem	
		Branches	
		Flower	
		Roots	
		Fruits	
		Seed	
		Special Point	
		Growth duration	
		Category	
		Nature	
		Leaf	
		Stem	
		Branches	
		Flower	
		Roots	
		Fruits	
		Seed	
		Special Point	
		Growth duration	
		Category	
		Nature	
		Leaf	
		Stem	
		Branches	
		Flower	
		Roots	

	Fruits	
	Seed	
	Special Point	
	Growth duration	
	Category	
	Nature	
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	Stem	
	Branches	
	Flower	
	Roots	
	Fruits	
	Seed	
	Special Point	
	Growth duration	
	Category	
	Nature	
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	Stem	
	Branches	
	Flower	
	Roots	
	Fruits	
	Seed	
	Special Point	
	Growth duration	
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	Nature	
	Leaf	
	Stem	
	Branches	
	Flower	

Roots
Fruits
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Growth duration
Category
Nature

Objective: To study herbicide formulations and mixtures of herbicides

Activity: Identify the given herbicide and study about its formulation

S. No.	Common Name	Trades Name	Formulation	Manufacturer

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Obje	ctive: To study h	erbicide and nutrient c	ompatibility
Proced	dure:		
Obser	vation:		
S.No.	Herbicide	Fertilizer	Compatible/Non-compatible
Interpr	etation:		

Objective: To study shift of weed flora in long term experiments Activity:

Season	Treatment	Weed flora			Relative proportion (%)		
		Initial years	Middle years	Current Status	Initial	Middle	Current
Kharif							
Rabi							
i (dbi							
Zaid							
Interpr	etation:						

Objective: To study methods of herbicide application **SOIL APPLICATION** Surface application: Subsurface application: Band application: Fumigation Application..... Herbigation: **FOLIAR APPLICATION** Blanket spray:

Directed spray:
Protected spray:
Spot treatment

Objective: To study about the equipment used for application of herbicides.

Activity1: Students first identify the sprayer and write about their functions
Pump
Power source:
Tank:
TUTIN
Agitator:
Distribution system:
Pressure
Dracours regulators
Pressure regulator:

Activity2:						
Draw the diagram of Knapsack spryer						

Objective: To study spray nozzle
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olid cone:
looding:
ripe action
roadcast fan:
Blast Nozzel

Activity: Draw the diagra	m of spray nozzl	е		

Objectives: To study cleaning and maintenance of sprayers
Maintenance of Sprayers:
Cleaning of Sprayers:

Objective: Calculation of herbicide doses Materials:
waterials.
Procedure:
Activity: Determine the amount of formulated product Glycel 41 SL required to treat ha of land if th recommendation of glyphosate is 0.5 kg a.i. /ha.
2. A herbicide contains active ingredient of 0.4 kg/litre and the desired rate of application is 1.5 kg/ha. Calculat the quantity of herbicide required forha.

3. Calculate amount of 2,4-D amine salt required for spraying a pond m in length, m width and

Objective: To study calibration of spray pump
Materials
Method of calibration: Preparation of sprayer
Determination of nozzle discharge
Determination of spray volume,
Determination of walking anad
Determination of walking speed

Determinat	ion of swath
Observatio	n
Calculation	n:
Activity: If	f 50 metres were covered while spraying a solution (water) of 4 litres with a swath width of 1 metre, he volume required for one hectare would be?

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Objective: To study weed control efficiency	
Procedure:	
Weed control efficiency :	
Acitivity 1: In a weed control experiment in groundnut, dry weight of weeds in v	veedy check plot waskg
ha-1, whereas, for herbicides x and y, it was and and	
which herbicide is better.	

Objective: To study weed index					
Procedure	::				
	ex:				
Activity 1:	: A weed free plot of m	aize has given vield	ds of	kg/ha, whereas atra	zine and simazine
,	treated plots have give	en yields of	kg and		
	weed index and give w	hich herbicide is bet	ter in the two?		
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TECHNIQUES OF WEED PRESERVATION

Materials: Herbarium sheets (Appendix), wooden block press, blotting papers or newspapers, pencil/ marker, adhesive tape.

Procedure The scientific method of weed collection and preparation of herbarium consists of the following important steps:

Collection of weed sample: The weeds with height of about 15 to 20 cm are uprooted carefully along with roots. The specimen should contain all parts of the weed plant including root, stem, leaves, flowers and fruits. For good identification, no part of the plant should be excluded. A large plant may be divided into 2 or more sections, each pressed separately. However, excess branches or leaves may be removed provided remaining leaves and branches truly represent the plant. If the plants are very small, more number of specimens of the sample plant should be collected.

Pressing and drying of collected specimen: The weed specimens uprooted are first cleaned and kept on blotting/newspaper paper by keeping the leaves, roots and flowers in proper position and covered by another paper. Plants with long stem or leaves may be folded into V, N or W bends. Sufficient weight should be kept on the upper paper to press the weeds. All the moisture is absorbed by these two blotting papers from the weed sample overnight. Next day the weight is removed and the weeds are transferred to another dry paper, by changing the position of the sample exactly reverse and are covered with dry blotting paper. Again, sufficient weight is kept to press the sample. In this way the paper is changed 2 to 3 times by changing the position, of weed every time to absorb moisture from all parts of weed plant. When the specimen dries completely, it is ready for preservation.

Mounting on herbarium sheet: After the weed samples are dried, they are mounted on herbarium sheets. The herbarium sheet should be of good quality and medium in weight. The specimens are placed in the center of the sheet. Glue or narrow strips of adhesive tape (preferably both sided) are used to mount the specimens on the herbarium sheet.

Preparation and tagging

Collection of information: The collector of weed specimen should record useful information at the time of the sample collection. The data may be written either on the edge of same paper in which weed specimen will be brought from field to laboratory or a diary may be used citing some reference number for a particular weed specimen. The following information should be gathered:

- Location: Name of the village or town nearby the field and its distance and direction from the known town for exact location, the district may be mentioned.
- Date: The date should be clearly mentioned with day, month and year.
- **Habitat**: Name of place with ecological conditions *viz.*, field, pasture, roadside weeds, hillside, sand dune, canal side, sun or shade, moisture conditions (dry, moist, wet. etc.) should be mentioned.
- Occurrence of weeds: A weed under consideration should be described in relativity of number of other species of weeds. For this purpose, an arbitrary scale of comparison using terms like rare, occasional, frequent, common and abundant may be followed.
- Noting of essential characteristics: Nature- Annual, biennial, perennial; Root Tap, fibrous, adventitious, shallow, deep; Stem/branches - Woody, herbaceous, erect, spreading, trailing, prostrate; Leaves - Simple, compound, narrow, broad; Flower - Shape, colour, fragrance
- Features of special reference: Some plants in nature are known for their special characteristics in terms of fragrance, colour, leaf curling, stinging hairs, presence of thorns, double colour of leaves, milky juice of stem or leaves, habitat of growth, stickiness etc. The specific characteristics of plant along with right stage of growth and development of the plant should be mentioned.
- **Miscellaneous points of interest:** A collector by his own wisdom or discussion with local people may collect valuable and rare information about a weed specimen.

This includes special use, preference shown by insect-pest, industry, special control measure, anything special about dissemination and propagation.

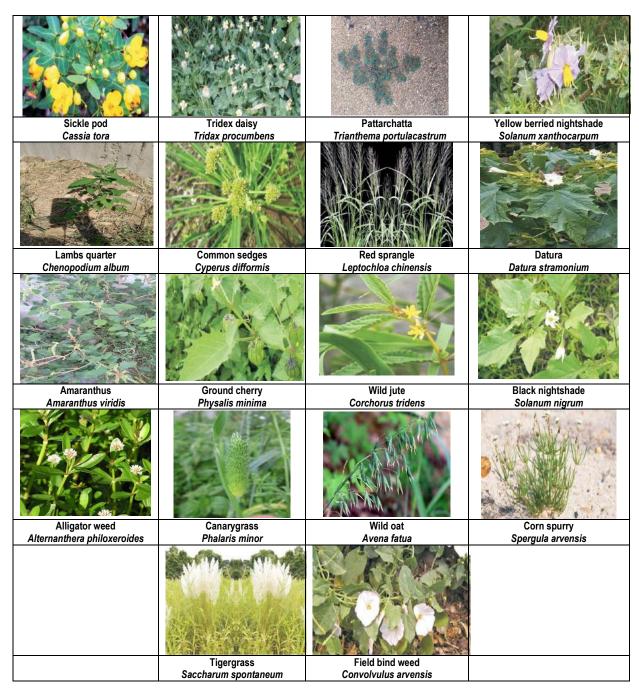
Format of identification label: The lower right-hand corner of the herbarium sheet should bear the label containing the information as described in the exercise.

Preservation: The individual labelled specimens should be arranged in weed albums when the collections are small and or herbarium cabinets for large collections and long-term preservation. Album is a book with blank pages for the insertion and preservation of weed collections. A weed herbarium (plural: herbaria) is a collection of preserved weeds mounted, labelled, and systematically arranged for use in scientific study.

Certain weeds plants are soft, bulky, or otherwise not amenable to drying and mounting on sheets. For these plants, other methods of preparation and storage may be used. For example, conifer cones and palm fronds may be stored in labelled boxes. Representative flowers, fruits, fleshy roots or stems may be pickled in formaldehyde to preserve their three-dimensional structure. Weed seeds are often air-dried and packaged in small paper/polythene envelopes or kept in small glass jars. No matter the method of preservation, detailed information on where and when the plant was collected, habitat, colour (since it may fade over time), and the name of the collector is usually included.

IMPORTANT COMMON WEEDS





WEED BIOLOGY

Morphology of the plant

Leaf: Colour, size, shape, arrangement

Stem: Colour, size, nature (erect, prostrate, angular trailing etc.) nodes and internodes, solid, hollow, woody and tender etc.

Branches: Branched, unbranched, pattern and arrangement

Flowers: Colour, size, type of inflorescence

Roots/underground parts: Shallow, deep, tap root, adventitious, root colour, rhizomes, nuts, bulb etc.

Juncture points: Note the colour, shape, size of any plant part like hair, ligule, auricle, glands etc. present at the joining

point of stem with root, leaf with stem, inflorescence with the main stem / branch etc.

Fruits / seeds: Colour, size, shape

Special points: Nature of plant sap (milky, juicy, gum etc.) and its colour, special modification on the plant etc.

Growth duration: Annual / biennial/perennial

Categorization in broad groups: Grasses / sedges /broadleaf **Nature:** Associated, crop bound, parasitic, facultative, obligate

COMMON WEEDS

S.No.	English name	Scientific name	Family			
	KHARIF					
1.	Running grass	Brachiaria reptans	Poaceae			
2.	Crow foot grass	Dactyloctenium aegyptium	Poaceae			
3.	Crab grass	Digitaria sanguinalis	Poaceae			
4.	Indian goose grass	Eleusine indica	Poaceae			
5.	Red sprangletop	Leptochloa chinensis	Poaceae			
6.	Water grass	Echinochloa colona	Poaceae			
7.	Barnyard grass	Echinochloa crusgalli	Poaceae			
8.	Love grass	Eragrostis pilosa	Poaceae			
9.	Feather love grass	Eragrostis tenella	Poaceae			
10.	Knot grass	Paspalum distichum	Poaceae			
11.	Seashore paspalum	Paspalum vaginatum	Poaceae			
12.	Rough bristle foxtail	Setaria verticillata	Poaceae			
13.	Green foxtail	Setaria viridis	Poaceae			
14.	Hedgehog sedge	Cyperus compressus	Cyperaceae			
15.	Rice flat sedge	Cyperus iria	Cyperaceae			
16.	Erect horse weed	Conyza stricta	Astereceae			
17.	Jimson weed	Datura stramonium	Solanaceae			
18.	Smooth pigweed	Amaranthus viridis	Amaranthaceae			
19.	Spiny pigweed	Amaranthus spinosus	Amaranthaceae			
20.	False amaranth	Digera arvensis	Amaranthaceae			
21.	False amaranth	Digera muricata	Amaranthaceae			
22.	Creeping chaff weed	Alternanthera sessilis	Amaranthaceae			
23.	Alligator weed	Alternanthera philoxeroides	Amaranthaceae			
24.	Blistering ammannia	Ammannia baccifera	Lythraceae			
25.	Pink node flower	Caesulia axillaris	Astereceae			
26.	Day flower	Commelina benghalensis	Commelinaceae			
27.	Spreading day flower	Commelina diffusa	Commelinaceae			
28.	Slender day flower	Commelina erecta	Commelinaceae			
29.	Wild jute	Corchorus tridens	Tiliaceae			
30.	Pill pod spurge	Euphorbia hirta	Euphorbiaceae			
31.	Painted spurge	Euphorbia heterophylla	Euphorbiaceae			
32.	Petty spurge	Euphorbia prostrata	Euphorbiaceae			
33.	Shrubby spurge	Euphorbia microphylla	Euphorbiaceae			
34.	Ground cherry	Physalis minima	Solanaceae			
35.	Cockle bur	Xanthium strumarium	Astereceae			
36.	Indian turnsole/Devil weed	Heliotropium indicum	Boraginaceae			
37.	Black nightshade	Solanum nigrum	Solanaceae			
38.	False Daisy	Eclipta alba	Astereceae			
39.	Yellow spider flower	Cleome viscosa	Brassicaceae			
40.	Purselane	Portulaca oleracea	Portulaceae			
41.	Desert horse purslane	Trianthema portulacastrum	Aizoaceae			
42.	Puncture vine	Tribulus terrestris	Zygophylaceae			
43. 44.	Gulf leaf flower Indian sorrel	Phyllanthus niruri Oxalis corniculata	Euphorbiaceae			
			Oxalidaceae			
45. 46.	Rattle pod Coffee weed/ Sickle pod	Crotalaria medicaginea Cassia tora	Fabaceae Fabaceae			
46.	Creeping indigo	Indigo feralinnaei	Fabaceae			
48.	Tiger foot morning glory	Ipomoea pestigridis	Convolvulaceae			
49.	Blue morning glory	Ipomoea nil	Convolvulaceae			
50.	Wild carrot weed	Parthenium hysterophorus	Astereceae			
51.	Tridex daisy	Tridax procumbens	Astereceae			
52.	Hair sedge	Bulbostylis barbata				
			Cyperaceae			
53.	Grasslikefimbry	Fimbristylis tenera	Cyperaceae			

54.	Common sedge	Cyperus difformis	Cyperaceae	
55.	Yellow berried night shade	Solanum xanthocarpum	Solanaceae	
56.	Golden daisy	Vicoa indica	Astereceae	
57.	Chicken weed	Euphorbia thymifolia	Euphorbiaceae	
58.	Common spurge	Croton sparsiflorus	Euphorbiaceae	
59.	Purslane	Portulaca grandiflora	Portulaceae	
60.	Purslane	Portulaca quadrifida	Portulaceae	
61.	Pink wood sorrel	Oxalis maritiana	Oxalidaceae	
62.	Little ironweed	Vernonia cinerea	Asteraceae	
63.	Wild buckweed	Polygonum glabrum	Polygonaceae	
64.	Small knotweed	Polygonum plebeium	Polygonaceae	
65.	Coffee senna	Cassia occidentalis	Fabaceae	
66.	Arrowhead	Sagittaria sagittifolia	Alismaracese	
67.	Frogfruit	Lipian odiflora	Verbenaceae	
68.	Hairy slitwort	Linderniaciliata		
			Serofulariaceae	
69. 70.	Purple spikerush	Eleocharis atropurpurea	Cyperaceae	
70.	Green foxtail	Setariag lauca	Poaceae	
74	Wild oot	RABI	Doggoog	
71.	Wild oat	Avena fatua	Poaceae	
72.	Sweet grass	Poa annua	Poaceae	
73.	Beard grass	Polypogonmon speliensis	Poaceae	
74.	Poison rye grass	Lolium temulentum	Poaceae	
75.	Canary grass	Phalaris minor	Poaceae	
76.	Wild onion	Asphodelus tenuifolius	Liliaceae	
77.	Barrel clover	Medicago truncatula	Fabaceae	
78.	California bur clover	Medicago polymorpha	Fabaceae	
79.	Toothed bur clover	Medicago denticulate	Fabaceae	
80.	Wild fenugreek	Trigonella polycerata	Fabaceae	
81.	Common lambsquarter	Chenopodium album	Chenopodiaceae	
82.	Nettle leaf	Chenopodium murale	Chenopodiaceae	
83.	Green field-Speedwell	Veronica agrestis	Scropulariaceae	
84.	Stone seed	Lithospermum arvense	Boraginaceae	
85.	Canaigre dock	Rumex hymenosepalus	Polygonaceae	
86.	Sour dock	Rumex dentatus	Polygonaceae	
87.	Dock/Sorrel	Rumex spinosus	Polygonaceae	
88.	Blue daisy	Cichorium intybus	Asteraceae	
89.	Wild safflower	Carthamus oxyacantha	Asteraceae	
90.	Maxican poppy	Argemone mexicana	Papaveraceae	
91.	Perennial saw thistle	Sonchus arvensis	Asteraceae	
92.	Little mellow	Malvaparviflora	Malvaceae	
93.	Meadow pea	Lathyrus aphacaora	Fabaceae	
94.	Grass pea	Lathyrus sativus	Fabaceae	
95.	Blue pimpernel	Anagallis arvensis	Primulaceae	
96.	Chickweed	Stellaria media	Caryophyllaceae	
97.	Hairy vetch	Vicia hirsute	Fabaceae	
98.	Vetch	Vicia Sativa	Fabaceae	
99.	Yellow sweet clover	Melilotu sindicus	Fabaceae	
100.	White sweet clover	Melilotus alba	Fabaceae	
101.	Fumatory	Fumaria parviflora	Fumariaceae	
102.	Garden cress	Coronopus didymus	Brassicaceae	
103.	Corn spurry	Spergula arvensis	Caryophyllaceae	
104.	Cutleaf evening primrose	Oenotheralaciniata	Onagraceae	
105.	Wild dog flower	Antirrhinum orontium	Scrophulariaceae	
	PERENNIAL WEEDS			
106.	Nut grass	Cyperus rotundus	Cyperaceae	
107.	Jhonson grass	Sorghum halepense	Poaceae	

108.	Tiger grass	Saccharum spontaneum	Poaceae
100.	Bermuda grass	Cynodon dactylon	Poaceae
110.	Field bind weed	Convolvulus arvensis	Convolvulaceae
111.	Blush morning glory	Ipomoea carnea	Convolvulaceae
112.	Prickly pear	Opuntia dillenii	Cactaceae
113.	Canada thistle	Cirsium arvense	Astereceae
114.	I .		Convolvulaceae
	Kidney weeds	Dichondra repens	
115. 116.	Maddar root	Calotropis procera	Asolepiadaceae
	Lantana	Lantana camara	Verbinaceae
117.	Goat weed	Ageratum conyzoides	Astereceae
118.	Halfa grass	Desmostachya bipinnata	Poaceae
119.	Congo grass	Imperata cylindrica	Poaceae
120.	Marvel grass	Dichanthium annulatum	Poaceae
121.	Spiderling	Boerhavia diffusa	Nyctaginaceae
122.	Alyce clover	Alysicarpus vaginalis	Fabaceae
123.	Spanish needle	Bidens pilosa	Asteraceae
124.	Dallis grass	Paspalum dilatatum	Poaceae
125.	Caesar's weed	Urena lobata	Malvaceae
		SITIC WEEDS	
126.	Loranthus	Loranthus micranthus	Loranthaceae
127.	Dodder	Cuscuta reflexa	Convolvulaceae
128.	Dodder	Cuscuta chinensis	Convolvulaceae
129.	Dodder	Cuscuta europaea	Convolvulaceae
130.	Witch weed	Striga lutea	Scropulariaceae
131.	Egyptian broomrape	Orobanche aegyptiaca	Orabanchaceae
132.	Broomrape	Orobanche cernua	Orabanchaceae
133.	Hemp broomrape	Orobanche ramosa	Orabanchaceae
		ATIC WEEDS	
134.	Water hyacinth	Eichhornia crassipes	Pontederiaceae
135.	White water lily	Nymphaea alba	Nymphaeaceae
136.	Water lettuce	Pistia stratiotes	Araceae
137.	Four leaf water clover	Marsilea hirsuta	Marsileaceae
138.	Common reed	Phragmitesaustralis	Poaceae
139.	Arrowhead	Sagittaria subulata	Alismataceae
140.	Cattail	Typha latifolia	Typhaceae
141.	Narrow leaf cattail	Typha angustifolia	Typhaceae
142.	Hydrilla	Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrocharitaceae
143.	Hornwort	Ceratophyllum demersum	Ceratophyllaceae
144.	Pond weed	Potamogeton perfoliatus	Potamogetanaceae
145.	Parrot's feather	Myriophyllum aquaticum	Haloragaceae
146.	Mosquito fern	Azolla filiculoides	Salviniaceae
147.	Crested floating heart	Nymphoide scristata	Menyanthaceae
148.	Water spangles	Salvinia minima	Salviniaceae
149.	Duckweed	Wolffia arrhizal	Lemnaceae
150.	Common duck weed	Lemna minor	Araceae
151.	Eel grass	Vallisneria spiralis	Hydrocharitaceae
151.	Pond weed	Potamogetonpe ctinatus	Potamogetonaceae
153.	Pond weed	Potamogeton crispus	Potamogetonaceae
153.	Hornwort	Ceratophyllum demersum	Ceratophylaceae
155.	Lotus	Nelumbolutea	Nymphaceae
156.			
	Great duck weed	Spirodela polyrhiza	Lamnaceae
157.	Bulrushes	Cyperus papyrus	Cyperaceae
158.	Indian pennywort	Centella asiatica	Umbelliferae
159.	Water hyssop	Bacopamonnieri	Scrophulariaceae
160.	Chinese water chestnut	Trapanatans	Trapaceae
161.	Blue speedwell	Veronica anagallis	Plantagonaceae

162.	Water primrose	Ludwigiarepens	Onagraceae
163.	Water primrose	Ludwigia inclinata	Onagraceae
164.	Water primrose	Ludwigia ovalis	Onagraceae
165.	Water primrose	Ludwigia palustris	Onagraceae
166.	Water primrose	Ludwigia pantanal	Onagraceae

HERBICIDE FORMULATIONS

The first way in which formulations are classified is LIQUID or DRY. All liquids are applied through sprayers or spot applicators. Dry products can be diluted in water and applied as a spray, or applied directly as granules or pellets.

TYPES OF FORMULATIONS:

Emulsifiable concentrate (E.C.): An emulsifiable concentrate formulation usually contains the active ingredient, one or more petroleum solvents, and an emulsifier that allows the formulation to be mixed with water. When an emulsifiable concentrate herbicide is added to water, the mixture becomes 'milky'. Emulsions require some degree of agitation to prevent separation. *e.g.* Basalin 45 EC.

Wettable powder (W.P.) Herbicide materials of low solubility may be milled into fine powder that makes stable suspension in water. Wettable powders require continuous agitation to prevent their setting and to give a uniform level of chemical in the spray e.g. Atrazine 50 % WP.

Soluble powder (S.P.): These can be dissolved in convent amounts of water and sprayed efficiently. Salts of most herbicides are soluble in water *e.g.* Dalapon and sodium salt of 2,4-D etc.

Soluble concentrate (S.C.): Herbicides which are available in the form of soluble liquids and can be easily added to water, e.g. Dicamba and 2,4-D.

Granules (G.): The granules are small pellets formed from various inert clays and sprayed with a solution of the toxicant to give the desired content. After the solvent has evaporated the granules are packed for use, eg. Butachlor Granules.

TRADE NAME AND FORMULATION OF COMMON HERBICIDES

S. No.	Common Name	Trades Name	Formulation	Manufacturer
1.	Fenoxaprop	Acclaim Extra	0.57E	Bayer
2.	Quizalofop	Assure II	0.88EC	Corteva
3.	Pinoxaden	Axial	0.83EC	Syngenta
4.	Clethodim	Envoy	0.94EC	Valent
5.	Fluazifop	Fusilade DX	2 EC	Syngenta
6.	Diclofop	Hoelon	3 EC	Bayer
7.	Diclofop	Illoxan	3 EC	Bayer
8.	Fluazifop-P	Ornamec	0.5 EC	PBI Gordon
9.	Pinoxaden	Manuscript	0.42EC	Syngenta
10.	Sethoxydim	Poast	1.5 EC	Microflo
11.	Sethoxydim	Poast Plus	1 EC	Microflo
12.	Quizalofop	Provisia	0.88EC	BASF
13.	Fenoxaprop	Ricestar HT	0.58EW	Bayer
14.	Clethodim	Select	2 EC	Valent
15.	Clethodim	TapOut	1 EC	Helena
16.	Quizalofop	Targa	0.88C	Gowan
17.	Sethoxydim	Vantage	1 EC	BASF; Microflo
18.	Nicosulfuron	Accent Q	54.5 DF	Corteva
19.	Metsulfuron	Ally XP	60 DF	FMC
20.	lmazapyr	Arsenal A.C.	4 AC	BASF
21.	Primisulfuron	Beacon	75 DF	Syngenta
22.	Imazamox	Beyond	1 S	BASF
23.	Imazapic	Cadre	70 DG	BASF
24.	Sulfosulfuron	Certainty	75 DF	Valent
25.	lmazapyr	Chopper	2 SL	BASF
	Metsulfuron + chlor-Sulfuron (48% + 15%)	Cimarron Plus	63 DF	Bayer
27.	Chlorimuron	Classic	25 DF	Corteva
28.	Chlorsulfuron	Corsair	75 WDG	Nufarm
29.	Rimsulfuron + Thifensulfuron	Crusher	50 DF	Cheminova
30.	Trifloxysulfuron	Envoke	75 DG	Syngenta

31.	Florasulam	Defendor	0.42 SC	Corteva
32.	Metsulfuron	Escort	60 DF	Bayer
33.	Tribenuron	Express	50 SG	FMC
34.	Cloransulam	FirstRate	84 DF	Corteva
35.	Penoxsulam	Grasp	2 EC	Corteva
36.	Imazapyr	Habitat	2.0 lb/gal	BASF
37.	Halosulfuron	Halo Max 75	75 WG	Aceto
38.	Thifensulfuron	Harmony SG	50 DF	FMC
39.	Imazaquin	Image	1.5 EC	BASF
40.	Imazosulfuron	League	75 WG	Valent
41.	Flazasulfuron	Katana	25 DF	PBI Gordon
42.	Bensulfuron	Londax	60 DF	UPL-NA

JAR TEST FOR COMPATIBILITY

The jar test may be used to test the compatibility of herbicides with each other or herbicides and other pesticides with liquid fertilizers.

- 1. Add 1 pint of carrier (water, liquid fertilizer) each to two-quart jars. Mark the jars with an identifiable letter, number or other means. Usually "with" and "without" is the most practical (representing with and without compatibility agent).
- 2. Add 1/4 teaspoon or 1.2 ml of compatibility agent to one jar (equivalent to 2 pints per 100 gallons of spray solution).
- 3. To each jar add the required amount of pesticide in the order suggested in the section on mixing herbicides Shake well after each pesticide addition to simulate continuous agitation.
- 4. When all ingredients are added, shake both jars for 15 seconds and let stand for 30 minutes or longer. Then inspect the mixture for flakes, sludge, gels, or non dispersible oils, all of which may indicate incompatibility.
 - i. If, after standing 30 minutes, the components in the jar with no compatibility agent are dispersed, the herbicides are compatible and no compatibility agent is needed.
 - ii. If the components are dispersed only in the jar containing the compatibility agent, the herbicide is compatible only if a compatibility agent is added.
 - iii. If the components are not dispersed in either jar, the herbicide-carrier mixture is not compatible and should not be used.

SHIFT OF WEED FLORA STUDY IN LONG TERM EXPERIMENTS

Temporally repeated data sets can provide useful information about the management practices governing changes in the arable weed flora. Survey including floristic samplings to be done by the students in an ongoing long term weed control experiment are to be compared, analysed and interpreted in light of previous data set already published in the annual reports of AICRP-Weed Control, ICAR-DWR, Jabalpur. Simple proportional occurrence can be used to interpret the results of the initial, middle and current invasion in the particular season

EQUIPMENTS USED FOR APPLICATION OF HERBICIDES

Pump: Any spray liquid must be atomized before it leaves the spray nozzle. The pump provides the necessary pressure for this purpose.

TYPES OF PUMPS:

Air Compression or Pneumatic pumps:

These pumps force air into an air tight tank containing spray liquids thus moving the spray liquid under pressure through the nozzle for its atomization.

Hydraulic or Positive Displacement Pump: These pumps take in a definite volume of spray liquid and force it through the delivery system under pressure. The pump differs in pressure they produce.

SOURCE OF POWER: It is needed to run the spray pumps. The source of power may be either a) Manual b) Traction c) Motor d) Tractor and air craft engines.

Spray Tank: A sprayer may have either built in tank or a separate tank to carry spray liquid. The tank should be large enough to avoid frequent refilling but not unhandy to carry. The tank is provided with a large opening fitted with a strainer and cap to fill in the liquid. It is difficult to fill in liquid and clean the tank having small openings.

Agitator: It may be either mechanical or hydraulic purpose, to keep liquid spray homogenous. Mechanical agitators may be of metal fan or rod etc. Hydraulic agitator consists of a pipe with several side holes and closed at its free end is placed in the tank and it is fed with spray liquid from the pump. From these holes the liquid emerses as jets to provide agitation to the

whole body of the liquid. This is called as 'By pass system'. Hydraulic agitation is not thorough but it is more convenient in power sprayers using on large tank size. Sprayer without agitator should not be used to apply pesticide emulsion and suspension.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM: It includes Nozzle, Spray lance, Spray boom, Hose.

Nozzle: The function of spray nozzle is to break pressurized spray liquid into droplets for application to the target.

Lance: It is brass rod or 90 cm length attached to a delivery hose pipe of sprayer and fitted to its free end with a replaceable nozzle. Herbicide spray lance is bent at its nozzle to form a goose neck. At the hose end it is provided with trigger mechanism to control flow liquid for specific purpose. The spray lance may be fitted with plastic shields to prevent chemical from drifting

Spray bar or Boom: It consists of a horizontal pipe on which 2 or several nozzles are fitted and spaced at 50 cm apart. Boom length varies from 1 to 15 m. Short boom with 2-3 nozzles is used with manual sprayers, while longer ones with tractor sprayers. The main advantage of spray boom over spray lance is wide swath it covers in each trip of the sprayer over the field. Total width of land wetted by a boom can be adjusted to get either (i) Uniform spray (ii) Directed spray or (iii) Band spray

Pressure regulator: It is fitted to heavy duty sprayers and tractor driven sprayers so as to run the sprayers at constant pressure. Pressure gauge is provided to check pressure.

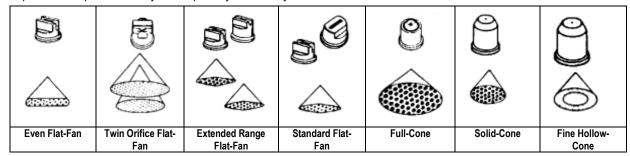
Nozzles are identified by Droplet size, Delivery and Spray pattern that they produce spray pattern is fixed for a herbicide work, eight kinds of spray nozzles are common e.g.

Flat fan: Flat fan nozzles are available in two spray patterns viz. the tapped edge pattern and rectangular pattern. Tapped edge pattern to apply pre and post emergence herbicide broadcasting, while rectangular pattern for the pre emergence bank application of herbicides.

Solid cone nozzle produces medium size droplets. Good for pre and post emergence spray. Also used for surface application of herbicides which gives fan like spray.

Triple action nozzles-diameter of the sprays can be easily changed during operating to produce either coarse or fine spray. **Broad cast fan nozzles** are used for spraying on unwanted vegetation, road side fence, rows etc. it gives wide coverage of 5 to 8 m with coarse droplets on emulsion to avoid drift.

Blast nozzle: Motorized sprayers blowers employ blast nozzles. These nozzles feed the spray liquid into the air steam to split it into droplets and carry the droplets by the velocity of the wind.



PROCEDURE FOR CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OF SPRAYER

- 1. Remove and clean all screens and boom extensions with kerosene and a small brush.
- 2. Mix one box of detergent with 30 gallons of water in tank. Circulate through by pass system or 30 minutes and the drain out
- 3. Replace the screens and the boom extensions.
- 4. Fill the tank 1/3 rd to ½ with one part of hose hold ammonia to 49 parts of water. Circulate this mixture through the pump and nozzles. Let the remaining solution stand overnight and then run it over through the nozzle.
- 5. Flush with two tanks full of clean waters spraying through the boom with the nozzle removed.

CALCULATING PROPER QUANTITIES OF HERBICIDES

Herbicides are usually applied in the form of solution or granules. Solution formulations are applied using sprayers. Granules are generally mixed in sand and applied manually or with the use of applicator. Correct dose of herbicide application is important for effective control of weeds.

To calculate the herbicide dose, first account for the dosage (Kg a.i./ha) of chemical required for the crop and active ingredient of herbicide to be used. The quantity of herbicide requirement may be computed by using the formula,

$$\textit{Quantity of commercial formulation } (\textit{kg or l/ha}) = \frac{\textit{Dose } (\textit{kg a.i./ha})}{\textit{Active ingredient}(\textit{a.i.})} \times 100$$

Commercially, the herbicides are available either in solid or liquid form. On the label of the containers you will found a.e.= Acid equivalent or a.i. active ingredient for liquids and q/lit solids

Active Ingredient (a.i.): It is that part of a chemical formulation which is directly responsible for herbicidal effect. Generally expressed as % by weight or by volume. Thus, the commercial herbicide production is made up of two parts i.e. the effective part and the inert part.

Acid equivalents (a.e.): Some herbicides like phenoxy acetic acid, picloram and chloramben etc. are active organic acid but many of these generally supplied in the form of their salts and esters.

e.g. 2-4 D is available in the form of ester, sodium salt or amine salt. The theoretical yield of the acid in such herbicide formulation is called its acid equivalent. In case of Na salt of 2-4 D. The acid equivalent is 92.5%, which means 2-4 D is 92.5% in sodium salt.

CALIBRATION OF HERBICIDE SPRAY EQUIPMENT

Generally, herbicides are applied in the form of solution. Process of finding out the exact quantity of water required for spraying unit area is called calibration. Sprayer is the basic equipment used for application of herbicides. Proper application of herbicide depends upon the proper adjustment of all the basic components of a sprayer.

Spray pattern varies according to nozzle type, orifice size, spraying pressure, nozzle spacing and boom height. Therefore, for uniform spraying of herbicides with good efficiency, it is necessary to calibrate the amount of water to be applied, speed of walking, pressure to be maintained etc. The main aim of calibration is to adjust the application pressure and application speed (walking speed) to get the desired volume.

Materials: Sprayer (Knapsack), buckets, water, measuring tape, graduated cylinders, timeclock.

Method of calibration: The method of calibration of a sprayer consists of following steps:

Preparation of sprayer

- Remove and clean the nozzle
- Rinse the pressure and fill up with clean water and build up pressure
- Flush pump, hoses and lance with the clean water after removing the nozzle and strainers.
- Readjust the nozzle and strainers.
- Refill tank
- Now sprayer is ready for spray operation

Determination of nozzle discharge

- Keep the sprayer on the ground, fill up it with water and build up pressure
- Now take a bucket and dip the nozzle in it. Spray water for 5 minutes into bucket. Shut off the valve exactly at the end of five
 minutes.
- Measure volume of water collected in bucket with the help of graduate cylinder
- Repeat the operation for three times.
- Determine the average reading. This is the nozzle discharge or flow rate expressed in litres / minute.

Determination of spray volume, measure and mark an area of 50sq.m with the help of a measuring tape. Spray the water in this measured area of 50 sq.m. Determine the volume of spray delivered from the tank.

Determination of walking speed

- Mark a starting point on bare soil surface with a stick.
- Adjust the prepared sprayer on the back and operate pumping, directing lance and nozzle within spray swath.
- Walk at a normal and constant speed exactly for five minutes.
- Measure the distance covered in five minutes.
- Repeat the operation for three times.
- Express the average walking speed in metres /minute.
- Do the same operation in the crop planted field and determine the average walking speed.

Determination of swath: Mark in the field an area having width equal to the swath (the distance up towhich the spray falls on the ground on a fixed height). The spray lance could be held constant while walking forward but could be swung from left to right.

Observation: For proper calibration of a sprayer, following observations should be recorded.

- a) Total distance travelled = d metre
- b) Time taken for travelling distance'd'metres = t min.
- c) Swath width = x metres
- d) Amount of water discharged at a given pressure = L litre.

Calculation

Spray volume =

$$Spray \ volume \ (L/ha) = \frac{Water \ used \ in \ testing \ (litres) \ x \ 10000}{Area \ covered \ during \ test \ run \ (m2)}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Water used in testing (litres)x 10000}}{d x}$$

Weed Control efficiency (WCE). It can also be worked out based on weed population or weed weight.

WCE (%) =
$$[(Wpc - Wpt)/Wpc)] \times 100$$

or $[(Wwc - Wwt)/Wwc] \times 100$

Assuming:

Wpc: Weed population under control

Wpt: Weed population under treatment (hand weeding, herbicide application etc.)

Wwc : Weed weight under control

Wwt: Weed weight under treatment (hand weeding, herbicide application etc.)

In this case, the effect of a treatment is assessed from the point of view of weeds only. A treatment may reduce the weed population but may not affect the yield of crop. The yield of crop may even decline due to phytotoxic effect of herbicide, despite very good weed control. Such effects are not reflected in these parameters.

Weed index (WI): This parameter helps to measure the absolute effect of a treatment to reduce weed competition. It may be defined as the reduction in yield due to the presence of weeds in comparison to no weed or weed-free treatment. In other words, weed index expresses the competition offered by weeds as measured by percent reduction in yield owing to their presence in the field. A negative value of WI indicates that yield is higher than in a weed-free treatment. This happens when a treatment influences the yield favourably not only by controlling weeds but also by promoting crop growth, possibly through hormonal effects of herbicide. Drawback in this parameter is that the effect of a treatment is considered only from crop yield point of view and not from weeds.

Ya=Yield from weed free plot

Yb=Yield from the treated plot for which weed index is to be worked out