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## Performance of varieties with different dates of sowing and spray of growth regulators and their interaction on growth and yield of Dolichos Bean (*Lablab purpureus* L.) during offseason under shade net

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### Abstract

The present investigation entitled "Performance of varieties with different dates of sowing and spray of growth regulators and their interaction on growth and yield of Dolichos Bean (*Lablab purpureus* L.) during offseason under shade net" was carried out during summer 2014-15 and 2015-16 at Horticultural Research Station, Ambajipeta, East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh. The experiment was laid out with 36 different treatment combinations in a Factorial Randomized Block Design (FRBD) each replicated thrice in open field. The experiment was carried out with four varieties viz., Arka Jay, Arka Amog, Arka Sambhram and Arka Sowmya with three different dates of sowing viz., December 15<sup>th</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 15<sup>th</sup> with foliar spray of growth regulators viz., NAA 25 ppm, Triacantanol 2 ppm and control. The data were recorded on various growth, and yield parameters and the data were statistically analyzed based on ANOVA. Arka Amog recorded significantly highest plant height (66.93 cm) number of buds per node (4.26) whereas Arka Sowmya (V4) recorded significantly highest leaf area (901.9 cm<sup>2</sup>), pod weight (4.52g) and highest pod yield per ha (132.06 q) under shade net. January 1<sup>st</sup> sown crop recorded significantly the highest plant height (68.22cm), leaf area (870.1 cm<sup>2</sup>) number of buds per node (4.17), pod weight (4.37g) and highest pod yield per ha (129.26q) and number of days for 50 per cent flowering (40.60) was less in December 15<sup>th</sup> sowing. Triacantanol @2 ppm foliar spray recorded significantly the highest leaf area (911.0 cm<sup>2</sup>), number of buds per node (4.20), pod weight (4.37 g) and pod yield (125.72q/ha. Arka Sowmya recorded the highest pod yield per hectare (163.27q) when sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> and sprayed with Triacantanol 2 ppm foliar spray (V4S2G2).

**Keywords:** Varieties, spray, growth regulators, *Lablab purpureus*, shade net

### Introduction

In India, *Lablab* is a field crop mostly confined to the peninsular region and is cultivated to a large extent in Karnataka and adjoining districts of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra. Karnataka contributes a major share, accounting for nearly 90 per cent in terms of both area and production in the country. In Andhra Pradesh, beans are cultivated in an area of 228000 ha with a production of 2277000 MT (National Horticulture Board Statistics 2017-18) [1]. The normal growing seasons for field bean are *Kharif* and *Rabi*. The beans are not available in Andhra Pradesh after February month. By growing beans in off season i.e., summer, the produce will be made available to the consumers all throughout the year and also the farmers can fetch better price for their produce. Among the agronomic practices, optimum sowing time is considered as an important non-cash input, results in considerable increase in the yield and quality. Productivity in most of the vegetable crops depends on prevailing environmental conditions to which phenological stages of the crop are being exposed. The staggered dates of sowing may thus influence the crop growth, flowering and yield. The plant growth regulators are either natural or synthetic compounds applied to the target plants to modify either developmental or morphological structure or both by manipulating the hormonal levels in different plant organs at various growth stages of the plant in the life cycle so as to enhance its yield and quality (Setia *et al.*, 1991). The information on suitable varieties, optimum sowing date and growth regulators on off season production of field bean is scanty. Hence, the present study is conducted to find out the field bean varieties suitable for growing in off season for coastal Andhra Pradesh under shade net with optimum date of sowing and suitable growth regulator.

## Materials and Methods

The investigation entitled "Performance of varieties with different dates of sowing and spray of growth regulators and their interaction on growth and yield of Dolichos Bean (*Lablab purpureus* L.) during offseason under shade net" was carried out during summer 2014-15 and 2015-16 at Horticultural Research Station, Ambajipeta, East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh which is situated at 16.4<sup>0</sup> N latitude and 81.5<sup>0</sup> E longitudes with an altitude of 34 m above mean sea level. The experimental site receives an annual rainfall of 1186 mm. The pH of irrigated water was 7.3 and EC is of 0.7 dSm<sup>-1</sup>. The experiment was laid out with 36 different treatment combinations in a Factorial Randomized Block Design (FRBD) each replicated thrice under shade net. The experiment was carried out with four varieties viz., Arka Jay (V<sub>1</sub>), Arka Amog(V<sub>2</sub>), Arka Sambhram (V<sub>3</sub>) and Arka Sowmya(V<sub>4</sub>) with three different dates of sowing viz., December 15<sup>th</sup> (S<sub>1</sub>) January 1<sup>st</sup> (S<sub>2</sub>) and January 15<sup>th</sup> (S<sub>3</sub>) with foliar spray of growth regulators viz., NAA 25 ppm (G<sub>1</sub>), Triacantanol 2 ppm (G<sub>2</sub>), and control(G<sub>3</sub>). Growth regulators were sprayed at 30 DAS and 60 DAS. The experimental area was thoroughly ploughed and brought into a fine tilth. Recommended dose of FYM and basal dose of fertilizers were incorporated into the soil before the final ploughing. The recommended dose of N, P and K (20:60:50 kg per ha) were applied in the form of urea, single super phosphate and muriate of potash respectively. Nitrogen was applied in 2 splits, half of the nitrogen (*i.e.* 10 kg) was applied as basal dose and the remaining half of the nitrogen (*i.e.* 10 kg) was applied as top dressing at 30 days after sowing. The entire dose of phosphorus and potash were applied at the time of sowing as basal dose. The various observations on growth and yield parameters were recorded on five plants which were tagged. Days to 50% flowering was calculated as number of days taken from the date of sowing to the day when 50 per cent of the plants in a plot were flowered. The two years data were recorded on various growth and yield parameters and the pooled data were statistically analyzed based on ANOVA.

## Results and Discussion

The data regarding the effect of sowing time and growth regulators and their interaction on growth characters of field bean varieties under shade net condition was presented in Table 1. Significant differences were found among the varieties for plant height at harvest. Arka Amog (V<sub>2</sub>) recorded significantly the highest plant height (66.93 cm) and it was on par with Arka Jay (V<sub>1</sub>) (65.83). The differences in plant height among the varieties could be attributed to their genetic character and their adaptability to 50 per cent shade. Similar results in differences in plant height among the varieties when grown under shade net were reported by Vethamoni and Natarajan (2008) [20] in chilli, Nooprom *et al.* (2013) [12] in broccoli and by Guha *et al.* (2016) [5] in coriander. Dates of sowing showed significant effect on plant height at harvest. January 1<sup>st</sup> sown crop (S<sub>2</sub>) recorded the highest plant height (68.22 cm) and it was on par with January 15<sup>th</sup> sown crop (S<sub>3</sub>) (67.16 cm). The increase in plant height particularly for the crop sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> may be attributed to the favourable environmental factors especially optimum temperature. These results are in consonance with those of Ranjith *et al.* (2013) [15] in cauliflower, Bibi *et al.* (2012) [2] in tomato and by Ranjit *et al.* (2015) [16] in french bean when grown under shade net. Growth regulators were found to have non-significant influence on plant height at harvest. Significant differences for plant height were observed among VxS

interactions. At harvest, Arka Amog recorded the highest plant height (70.87 cm) when sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>). The interaction between varieties and growth regulators, sowing dates and growth regulators, varieties, sowing dates and growth regulators on plant height was found to be non significant.

The data pertaining to the effect of varieties, dates of sowing, growth regulators and their interactions on leaf area under shade net are presented in Table 1. The data was found significant with regard to leaf area per plant with different varieties, dates of sowing and growth regulators and their interactions. Significantly the highest leaf area per plant (901.9 cm<sup>2</sup>) at harvest was observed by Arka Sowmya (V<sub>4</sub>). Leaf area was significantly increased due to greater assimilation of food material by the plant which resulted in greater meristematic activities of cells. Similar results have been reported by Esakkiammal *et al.* (2015) [4] in dolichos bean and Prakash *et al.* (2015) [13] in french bean. The influence of dates of sowing on leaf area was significant. Significantly the highest leaf area per plant (870.1 cm<sup>2</sup>) at harvest respectively was observed by January 1<sup>st</sup> sowing (S<sub>2</sub>). Sowing on January 1<sup>st</sup> resulted in significant increase in leaf area might be due to favourable environmental conditions during this period such as temperature, day length and light intensity. Similar results were obtained by Muluaem *et al.* (2012) [9] in faba bean and Abido and Seadh (2014) [1] in dolichos bean. The influence of growth regulators on leaf area was also significant. Significantly the highest leaf area per plant (911.0 cm<sup>2</sup>) at harvest respectively) was recorded with Triacantanol 2 ppm. The increase in leaf area per plant with Triacantanol foliar spray might be due to enhanced photosynthetic activity and efficient assimilation of photosynthetic products.

Among VxS interactions, significant differences for leaf area was observed at harvest. At harvest, the highest leaf area per plant (934.2 cm<sup>2</sup>) was recorded by Arka Amog sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>). Among VxG interactions significantly the highest leaf area per plant (966.8 cm<sup>2</sup>) at harvest) was observed by Arka Sowmya sprayed with Triacantanol 2 ppm (V<sub>4</sub>G<sub>2</sub>). Among SxG interactions, non-significant differences for leaf area was observed. Among VxSxG interactions, significantly the highest leaf area per plant was observed by Arka Sambhram (974.45 cm<sup>2</sup>) at harvest when sown on December 15<sup>th</sup> with Triacantanol 2 ppm foliar spray (V<sub>3</sub>S<sub>1</sub>G<sub>2</sub>).

Varieties, dates of sowing, growth regulators and their interactions showed significant effect on number of buds per node and days to 50% flowering and data are presented in Table 2. The effect of variety on number of buds per node was found non-significant. The highest number of buds per node was observed in Arka Amog (V<sub>2</sub>) (4.26) and the lowest in Arka Jay (V<sub>1</sub>) (3.56). Similar variation in number of buds per node was reported by Das *et al.* (2012) [3] in country bean. Further, the effect of dates of sowing on number of buds per node was also significant. The highest number of buds per node were observed in January 1<sup>st</sup> sown crop (S<sub>2</sub>) (4.17) followed by December 15<sup>th</sup> (S<sub>1</sub>) (4.14). The crop sown on January 15<sup>th</sup> (S<sub>3</sub>) recorded the lowest number of buds per node (3.48). The effect of growth regulators on number of buds per node was significant. The plants sprayed with Triacantanol 2 ppm (G<sub>2</sub>) recorded the highest number of buds per node (4.20), followed by NAA 25 ppm spray (G<sub>1</sub>) (3.96) and control (3.63).

The effect of VxS interaction was significant for number of buds per node. The highest number of buds per node was observed in Arka Sambhram sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>)

(5.20) and the lowest number of buds per node (3.12) were noticed in Arka Jay sown on January 15<sup>th</sup> (V<sub>1</sub>S<sub>3</sub>). The effect of VxG interaction was significant for number of buds per node. The highest number of buds per node (4.57) were observed in Arka Amog in combination with Triacantanol 2 ppm spray (V<sub>2</sub>G<sub>2</sub>) and was on par with Arka Sambhram sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>3</sub>G<sub>2</sub>)(4.24). The lowest number of buds per node (3.25) was observed in Arka Jay without spray (V<sub>1</sub>G<sub>3</sub>). The effect of SxG interaction was non-significant for number of buds per node. The effect of VxSxG was found significant for number of buds per node. The highest number of buds per node were observed in Arka Sambhram sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> in combination with Triacantanol 2 ppm spray (V<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>2</sub>) (5.61). The varieties did not differ significantly for days to 50 per cent flowering. The influence of dates of sowing on days to 50 per cent flowering was significant. December 15<sup>th</sup> sowing (S<sub>1</sub>) took the least number of days for 50 per cent flowering (40.60), and it was on par with January 1<sup>st</sup> sowing (40.94), followed by January 15<sup>th</sup> sowing (S<sub>3</sub>) (42.11 days). The reason for variation in days to 50 per cent flowering might be due to variation in growing conditions due to different sowing times as reported by Nooprom *et al.* (2013) [12] in broccoli. The influence of growth regulators on days to 50 per cent flowering was non-significant and also the interaction of varieties and sowing dates, varieties and growth regulators, sowing dates and growth regulators and varieties, sowing dates and growth regulators showed non-significant influence on days to 50 per cent flowering.

Varities, dates of sowing and growth regulators showed significant effect on pod weight. Interaction of VxS, SxG VxG and VxSxG also showed significant effect on pod weight and the data are depicted in Table 3. The highest pod weight (4.52 g) was noticed in Arka Sowmya (V<sub>4</sub>) and it was on par with Arka Sambhram (V<sub>3</sub>) (4.37). Pod weight was lowest in Arka Jay (V<sub>1</sub>) (3.79 g). It might be due to the genotypic variation among the varieties and their interaction with environmental factors reaction with the plant which accelerates the vegetative and reproductive growth phases ultimately promoting pod weight. The findings are in agreement with the findings of Khattak *et al.* (2007) [7] in tomato and Vethamoni and Natarajan (2008) [20] in chilli. Dates of sowing showed significant effect on pod weight and the highest pod weight was recorded in January 1<sup>st</sup> sown crop (S<sub>2</sub>) (4.37 g). The lowest pod weight (4.11 g) was recorded in December 15<sup>th</sup> sowing (S<sub>1</sub>). This could be attributed to enhanced plant growth coupled with adequate reserved food material which facilitated adequate vegetative growth and subsequently higher weight of pod. These results are in consonance with the findings of Abido and Seadh (2014) [11] in dolichos bean. Growth regulators showed significant effect on pod weight. Highest pod weight was recorded with Triacantanol 2 ppm spray (G<sub>2</sub>) (4.37g) and control recorded the lowest pod weight (3.97 g). Increased supply of photosynthetic materials and its efficient mobilization in plants gives rise to increased stimulation of pod growth ultimately increases pod weight. Similar results of increased fruit weight with Triacantanol was reported by Khan *et al.* (2009) [6] in tomato. In VxS interaction, Arka Sowmya sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>) recorded the highest pod weight (4.89 g)

and was on par with Arka Sambhram sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>) (4.72 g) and Arka Amog sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>) (4.63 g). The interaction between varieties and growth regulators and sowing dates and growth regulators was found to be non significant for pod weight. Among VxSxG interaction, Arka Sowmya sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> with NAA spray (V<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>1</sub>) showed the highest pod weight (5.01 g) and the lowest pod weight (2.99 g) was recorded in Arka Jay sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> without growth regulator spray (V<sub>1</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>3</sub>).

The results on pod yield per hectare in field bean as influenced by varieties, dates of sowing and growth regulators are presented in Table 3. The varieties recorded significant differences for pod yield per hectare. Arka Sowmya (V<sub>4</sub>) recorded significantly highest pod yield per ha (132.06 q) and the lowest pod yield per hectare was recorded in Arka Jay (V<sub>1</sub>) (96.02 q). The increasing yield may be due to more number of branches, more leaf area and more number of pods. These characters favour the maximum conversion into yield of the plant and also depend on the genetic characters of the variety. The findings corroborate with the results obtained by Vethamoni and Natarajan (2008) [20] in chilli, Nooprom *et al.* (2013) [12] in broccoli and Ranjith *et al.* (2013) [15] in cauliflower when grown under shade net. The results on pod yield per hectare differed significantly due to sowing dates. The crop sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (S<sub>2</sub>) recorded significantly the highest pod yield per hectare (129.26 q) and the crop sown on December 15<sup>th</sup> (S<sub>1</sub>) recorded the lowest pod yield per hectare (107.67 q). The effect of sowing dates on pod yield per hectare was reported by Bibi *et al.* (2012) [2] in tomato, and Ranjit *et al.* (2015) [16] in french bean when grown under shade net conditions. The results on pod yield per hectare differed significantly due to growth regulators. Triacantanol 2 ppm (G<sub>2</sub>) recorded the highest pod yield per hectare (125.72 q) followed by NAA 25 ppm spray (G<sub>1</sub>) (115.97 q). The lowest pod yield per ha was recorded in control (G<sub>3</sub>) (103.48 q). The positive influence of Triacantanol on plant yield might be due to its impact on the carbon cycle in plant *i.e* higher CO<sub>2</sub> fixation and their efficient translocation (Menon and Srivastava, 1984) [8]. Increase in yield due to Triacantanol has been reported by Ries *et al.* (1978) [17], Sharma (1994) [18] in capsicum; Nargis Jahan *et al.* (1997) [10] in okra; Tripti Shrivastava *et al.* (2001) [19] in chickpea. The increase in yield due to NAA was reported by Prateek *et al.* (2017) [14] under shade net grown capsicum.

In the interaction of VxS, pod yield per ha differed significantly. Arka Sowmya sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>) recorded the highest pod yield per ha (153.52 q) and Arka Jay sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> (V<sub>1</sub>S<sub>2</sub>) recorded the lowest yield per ha (91.05 q). The interaction of varieties and growth regulators and sowing dates and growth regulators was non-significant for pod yield per hectare. VxSxG interactions significantly influenced pod yield per ha. Arka Sowmya sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> sprayed with Triacantanol 2 ppm foliar spray (V<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>2</sub>) recorded the maximum pod yield per ha (163.27 q) and it was on par with Arka Sowmya sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> sprayed with NAA 25 ppm (V<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>1</sub>) (154.86 q) and Arka Jay sown on January 1<sup>st</sup> without growth regulator spray (V<sub>1</sub>S<sub>2</sub>G<sub>3</sub>) recorded the lowest yield per ha (79.85 q).

**Table 1:** Effect of varieties, dates of sowing, growth regulators and their interaction on plant height in field bean at harvest under shade net.

Varieties (V)	Plant Height (cm) at harvest				Leaf area par plant at harvest (cm <sup>2</sup> )						
	Dates of sowing (S)				Dates of sowing (S)						
	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean	Varieties (V)	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
V <sub>1</sub>	63.99	65.82	67.69	65.83	V <sub>1</sub>	723.0	857.5	730.20	770.02		
V <sub>2</sub>	62.41	70.87	68.50	66.93	V <sub>2</sub>	892.80	934.20	860.30	895.8		
V <sub>3</sub>	60.28	67.06	67.06	64.80	V <sub>3</sub>	904.20	842.70	769.40	838.0		
V <sub>4</sub>	59.14	69.11	65.41	64.55	V <sub>4</sub>	917.20	846.10	942.50	901.9		
Mean	61.20	68.22	67.16	--	Mean	859.30	870.10	825.60	--		
Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)				Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	Mean					Mean					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
V <sub>1</sub>	65.43	66.73	66.34	65.83	V <sub>1</sub>	795.60	855.50	658.60	770.02		
V <sub>2</sub>	66.40	67.76	66.62	66.93	V <sub>2</sub>	902.60	933.10	851.70	895.8		
V <sub>3</sub>	64.75	65.60	64.05	64.80	V <sub>3</sub>	831.80	888.40	796.50	838.0		
V <sub>4</sub>	62.72	64.50	66.44	64.55	V <sub>4</sub>	888.10	966.80	850.80	901.9		
Mean	64.83	66.15	65.61	--	Mean	855.0	911.0	790.0	--		
Dates of sowing(S)	Growth Regulators (G)				Dates of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	Mean					Mean					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
S <sub>1</sub>	60.80	61.54	61.27	61.20	S <sub>1</sub>	857.0	916.0	805.0	859.30		
S <sub>2</sub>	67.74	68.75	68.16	67.16	S <sub>2</sub>	867.0	936.0	808.0	870.10		
S <sub>3</sub>	65.94	68.16	67.39	68.22	S <sub>3</sub>	840.0	881.0	756.0	825.60		
Mean	64.83	66.15	65.61	--	Mean	855.0	911.0	790.0	-		
Interaction (VxSxG)	Growth Regulators (G)				Interaction (VxSxG)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	Mean					Mean					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	64.70	63.77	63.48	--	V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	745.71	821.75	601.49	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	65.18	67.11	65.16	--		S <sub>2</sub>	897.55	948.87	726.03	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	66.40	69.30	67.37	--		S <sub>3</sub>	743.47	795.83	651.15	--
V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	61.09	62.72	60.40	--	V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	893.98	911.29	873.24	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	69.10	71.80	71.70	--		S <sub>2</sub>	930.71	958.07	913.90	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	69.01	68.74	67.74	--		S <sub>3</sub>	883.15	929.91	767.81	--
V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	60.31	60.26	60.24	--	V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	875.67	974.45	862.35	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	66.92	68.56	65.69	--		S <sub>2</sub>	831.34	864.61	832.02	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	66.99	67.98	66.19	--		S <sub>3</sub>	788.36	826.01	693.93	--
V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	57.08	59.38	60.95	--	V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	912.29	957.62	881.57	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	69.74	67.50	70.08	--		S <sub>2</sub>	807.67	970.86	759.70	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	61.34	66.61	68.26	--		S <sub>3</sub>	944.22	971.98	911.24	--
Source	SE.m ±			C.D at 5 %	SE.m ±			C.D at 5 %			
V	0.54			1.52	8.95			24.99			
S	0.47			1.31	7.75			21.64			
G	0.47			NS	7.75			21.64			
VxS	0.94			2.63	15.51			43.29			
VxG	0.94			NS	15.51			43.29			
SxG	0.81			NS	13.43			NS			
VxSxG	1.63			NS	26.86			74.99			

Varieties (V)	Dates of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)
V <sub>1</sub> - Arka Jay	S <sub>1</sub> - December 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>1</sub> - NAA 25 ppm
V <sub>2</sub> - Arka Amog	S <sub>2</sub> - January 1 <sup>st</sup>	G <sub>2</sub> - Triacantanol 2 ppm
V <sub>3</sub> - Arka Sambhram	S <sub>3</sub> - January 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>3</sub> - Control
V <sub>4</sub> - Arka Sowmya		

**Table 2:** Effect of varieties, dates of sowing, growth regulators and their interaction on number of buds/node and days to 50% flowering in field bean under shade net.

Varieties (V)	Number of buds/node				Days to 50% flowering				
	Dates of sowing (S)				Dates of sowing (S)				
	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean	Varieties (V)	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean
V <sub>1</sub>	4.11	3.43	3.12	3.56	V <sub>1</sub>	41.70	40.20	41.07	40.99
V <sub>2</sub>	4.67	4.39	3.72	4.26	V <sub>2</sub>	40.40	40.87	41.65	40.98
V <sub>3</sub>	3.15	5.20	3.70	4.01	V <sub>3</sub>	39.61	41.50	42.60	41.24
V <sub>4</sub>	4.65	3.66	3.38	3.89	V <sub>4</sub>	40.69	41.19	43.11	41.66
Mean	4.14	4.17	3.48		Mean	40.60	40.94	42.11	
Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)				Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)			
	Mean					Mean			
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean
V <sub>1</sub>	3.63	3.79	3.25	3.56	V <sub>1</sub>	40.60	40.96	41.41	40.99
V <sub>2</sub>	4.35	4.57	3.87	4.26	V <sub>2</sub>	40.44	41.10	41.39	40.98
V <sub>3</sub>	3.95	4.24	3.85	4.01	V <sub>3</sub>	41.15	41.00	41.56	41.24
V <sub>4</sub>	3.92	4.19	3.57	3.89	V <sub>4</sub>	41.55	41.80	41.64	41.66
Mean	3.96	4.20	3.63		Mean	40.93	41.22	41.50	



Dates of sowing(S)		Growth Regulators (G)				Date of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)				
		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean	
S <sub>1</sub>		4.15	4.33	3.95	4.14	S <sub>1</sub>	40.28	40.67	40.85	40.60	
S <sub>2</sub>		4.11	4.63	3.78	4.17	S <sub>2</sub>	40.52	40.59	41.71	40.94	
S <sub>3</sub>		3.63	3.64	3.17	3.48	S <sub>3</sub>	42.00	42.39	41.93	42.11	
Mean		3.96	4.20	3.63		Mean				--	
Interaction (VxSxG)		Growth Regulators (G)				Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)				
		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>			G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>		
V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	4.06	4.58	3.69	--	V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	41.40	41.68	42.02	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	3.55	3.73	3.02	--		S <sub>2</sub>	39.99	39.79	40.80	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	3.30	3.06	3.02	--		S <sub>3</sub>	40.40	41.41	41.41	--
V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	4.73	4.75	4.54	--	V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	39.99	40.19	41.00	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	4.26	4.89	4.04	--		S <sub>2</sub>	39.59	41.41	41.61	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	4.06	4.07	3.02	--		S <sub>3</sub>	41.73	41.68	41.54	--
V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	3.16	3.26	3.02	--	V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	39.39	39.92	39.51	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	5.07	5.61	4.93	--		S <sub>2</sub>	41.00	40.87	42.62	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	3.63	3.85	3.61	--		S <sub>3</sub>	43.03	42.21	42.55	--
V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	4.66	4.74	4.54	--	V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	40.32	40.87	40.87	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	3.55	4.28	3.15	--		S <sub>2</sub>	41.48	40.26	41.81	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	3.55	3.57	3.02	--		S <sub>3</sub>	42.83	44.26	42.21	--
Source		SE.m ±		C.D at 5 %		SE.m ±		C.D at 5 %			
V		0.04		0.11		0.43		NS			
S		0.03		0.10		0.37		1.04			
G		0.03		0.10		0.37		NS			
VxS		0.07		0.20		0.74		NS			
VxG		0.07		0.20		0.74		NS			
SxG		0.06		NS		0.64		NS			
VxSxG		0.12		0.34		1.29		NS			

Varieties (V)	Dates of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)
V <sub>1</sub> - Arka Jay	S <sub>1</sub> - December 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>1</sub> - NAA 25 ppm
V <sub>2</sub> - Arka Amog	S <sub>2</sub> - January 1 <sup>st</sup>	G <sub>2</sub> - Triacantanol 2 ppm
V <sub>3</sub> - Arka Sambhram	S <sub>3</sub> - January 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>3</sub> - Control
V <sub>4</sub> - Arka Sowmya		

**Table 3:** Effect of varieties, dates of sowing, growth regulators and their interaction on pod weight and pod yield per hectare in field bean under shade net.

Varieties (V)	Pod weight (g)				Pod yield per hectare (q)						
	Dates of sowing (S)				Dates of sowing (S)						
	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean	Varieties (V)	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
V <sub>1</sub>	4.02	3.22	4.12	3.79	V <sub>1</sub>	98.07	91.05	98.92	96.02		
V <sub>2</sub>	4.09	4.63	3.85	4.19	V <sub>2</sub>	103.37	134.77	97.22	111.79		
V <sub>3</sub>	4.11	4.72	4.29	4.37	V <sub>3</sub>	109.75	137.69	113.62	120.36		
V <sub>4</sub>	4.21	4.89	4.51	4.52	V <sub>4</sub>	119.49	153.52	123.19	132.06		
Mean	4.11	4.37	4.19		Mean	107.67	129.26	108.54	--		
Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)				Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
	V <sub>1</sub>	3.73	4.00	3.63		3.79	V <sub>1</sub>	94.12	106.00	87.93	96.02
V <sub>2</sub>	4.29	4.20	4.09	4.24	V <sub>2</sub>	112.45	116.99	105.92	111.79		
V <sub>3</sub>	4.44	4.56	4.12	4.37	V <sub>3</sub>	117.56	134.55	108.96	120.36		
V <sub>4</sub>	4.81	4.73	4.02	4.54	V <sub>4</sub>	139.74	145.34	111.10	132.06		
Mean	4.21	4.37	3.97		Mean	115.97	125.72	103.48			
Dates of sowing(S)	Growth Regulators (G)				Date of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>	Mean		
	S <sub>1</sub>	4.13	4.29	3.89		4.11	S <sub>1</sub>	108.24	118.67	96.10	107.67
S <sub>2</sub>	4.44	4.42	4.24	4.37	S <sub>2</sub>	129.02	139.08	119.68	129.26		
S <sub>3</sub>	4.38	4.41	3.76	4.19	S <sub>3</sub>	110.65	119.42	94.65	108.54		
Mean	4.32	4.37	3.97		Mean	115.97	125.72	103.48	--		
Interaction (VxSxG)	Growth Regulators (G)				Varieties (V)	Growth Regulators (G)					
	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>			G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>3</sub>			
	V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	3.87	4.35		3.83	--	V <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	92.92	112.16
V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	3.32	3.36	2.99	--	V <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	93.06	100.25	79.85	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	4.01	4.29	4.07	--		S <sub>3</sub>	96.39	105.58	94.78	--
	S <sub>1</sub>	4.08	4.03	4.14	--		V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	103.91	103.93	102.28
S <sub>2</sub>	4.59	4.65	4.66	--	S <sub>2</sub>	131.80		141.50	131.02	--	
S <sub>3</sub>	4.18	3.90	3.47	--	S <sub>3</sub>	101.66		105.55	84.47	--	
V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	4.14	4.23	3.95	--	V <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	107.18	121.30	100.78	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	4.86	4.67	4.64	--		S <sub>2</sub>	136.38	151.28	125.43	--

	S <sub>3</sub>	4.33	4.78	3.76	--		S <sub>3</sub>	109.14	131.06	100.66	--
V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	4.43	4.56	3.66	--	V <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	128.96	137.30	92.20	--
	S <sub>2</sub>	5.01	4.98	4.69	--		S <sub>2</sub>	154.86	163.27	142.42	--
	S <sub>3</sub>	4.97	4.65	3.72	--		S <sub>3</sub>	135.41	135.47	98.68	--
<b>Source</b>		<b>SE.m ±</b>		<b>C.D at 5 %</b>		<b>SE.m ±</b>		<b>C.D at 5 %</b>			
V		0.07		0.20		2.09		5.84			
S		0.06		0.17		1.81		5.05			
G		0.06		0.17		1.81		5.05			
VxS		0.12		0.34		3.62		10.11			
VxG		0.12		NS		3.62		NS			
SxG		0.10		NS		3.13		NS			
VxSxG		0.21		0.60		6.27		17.52			

Varieties (V)	Dates of sowing (S)	Growth Regulators (G)
V <sub>1</sub> - Arka Jay	S <sub>1</sub> - December 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>1</sub> - NAA 25 ppm
V <sub>2</sub> - Arka Amog	S <sub>2</sub> - January 1 <sup>st</sup>	G <sub>2</sub> - Triacantanol 2 ppm
V <sub>3</sub> - Arka Sambhram	S <sub>3</sub> - January 15 <sup>th</sup>	G <sub>3</sub> - Control
V <sub>4</sub> - Arka Sowmya		

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