

422. **Ramanath, B., Verma, B., Prabhanjan Rao, S.B. and Mittal, S.P. 1974.** Effect of dates of planting on shootfly incidence in sorghum varieties. *Sorghum Newsletter*, 17: 65.

The paper discusses the results of a field trial conducted in 1970 with four *jowar* entries (CSH-1, Swarna, 5-4-1 and M 35-1) and ten dates of sowing at 10 days intervals (August 12 to Nov. 10) and shootfly incidence studied for four times after sowing (7, 14, 21 and 28 days). 5-4-1 was found to be the least susceptible variety; advancing the sowing date to September 21 from the traditional October sowings would ensure increased yields even though it might entail a meagre 3% higher shootfly incidence and peak shootfly incidence was seen between 14th and 21st days after the emergence of seedlings.