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Office Memorandum

Sub: Compulsory treatment of seeds for the control of Fall Army Worm (FAW).

Sir,

It has been brought to the notice that the Fall Army Worm (FAW) incidence in the Maize crop is rapidly spreading. Fall Army Worm (FAW) is a polyphagous in nature and cause significant damage to crops. ICAR has recommended especially for compulsory treatment of seeds for the Fall Army Worm (FAW) as under. "This is dynamic and is liable to change with new developments, new chemistries and new data based on research and science based facts". The seed treatment should be done as per following advisory.

Seed treatment with Cyantraniliprole 19.8% + Thiomethoxam 19.8% @4 ml per kg seed reported to offer protection up to 2-3 weeks after germination (Note that this formulation is not registered in India and also has not been evaluated in AICRP programme. However, based on the feedback from seed growers this insecticide is giving protection for 2-3 weeks after germination).

However, a complete advice for control of Fall Army Worm as suggested by ICAR is enclosed. All the State Department of Agriculture, State Seed Certification Agencies and State Seed Corporations etc. are advised to follow the advice along with seed treatment

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To,

1. The Director Agriculture & Horticulture all States/ UTs.
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3. The Director State Seed Corporation all States/ UTs.