

Basmati Rice Production Technology Useful Tips

A complete package for high-yield, disease-resistant Basmati Rice cultivation

Get Maximum Profit







Basmati Rice Cultivation

- 1. **Selection of Land/Farm: -** Choose a field with good water retention capacity and a pH between 6.5 and 8.0. Light loam soil with proper irrigation is also suitable for paddy cultivation.
- 2. Selection of Land for Nursery: Select a portion of the field where sugarcane or berseem was previously cultivated. Ensure it has good drainage system, is free from shade, and has adequate arrangement of irrigation. Eliminate all weeds using harrows and a cultivator.
- 3. Area and Nutrients for the Nursery: For 1000 sq. meters, apply 40 g of Mykin and mix thoroughly with the soil. Add 1000 kg of well-decomposed compost, 0.5 kg TRICHO PEP V, and 0.5 kg PSEUDO-PEP, along with 200 ml of ZINC PEP 7000. Apply 5 kg of urea after 10 days of sowing.
- 4. Field Preparation: Plough the field 2-3 times after summer tillage and level it using a laser leveler. Irrigate one week before transplanting. Apply 4 kg of Mycopep & 400-500 ml of ZINC PEP 7000 per acre during field preparation. Mix 150-200 kg of compost with 2.5 kg of TRICHO PEP V & 2 Kg of PSEUDO-PEP. Moisturize the mixture, cover with a wet gunny bag, remix after 4 days, and spread it across an acre after a week.
- 5. **Selection of Variety: -** The selection of variety is very important to achieve good yield with the best quality. Choose a variety based on local suitability, crop duration, yield potential, water needs, and market demand.
- 6. Selection of Healthy Seeds: Dissolve 1.5 kg of common salt in 10 liters of water. Add the seeds. Remove floating seeds using a sieve.
- 7. **Treatment of Seeds:-** Seed treatment is crucial for preventing seed- and soil-borne diseases. To prepare the treatment solution, mix Carbendazim or Thiram @ 2 g/Kg seed along with Pep-Rice Primer @ 10 ml/Kg seed in 40 liters of water. Soak 20–25 kg of seeds in this solution for 24 hours. After soaking, drain the excess solution and spread the seeds in a 4–5 inch thick layer under shade. Cover them with a wet sack and keep the sack moist by lightly spraying water at intervals. The seeds will begin to germinate, and within 36 to 48 hours, they should be fully sprouted and ready for sowing.

* For Organic Treatment An organic treatment will be ideal for ultimate organic Rice production. Make a solution of **Pep-Rice Primer** (@10ml/kg of seeds), 250 gm **TRICHO PEP V** and 250 gm **PSEUDO-PEP** in 50 liters of water. Soak 20-25 kg of seeds for 24 hours and follow the same procedure as mentioned above for sprouting.

- 8. Selection of Fertilizers:- Fertilizers should be chosen after testing the soil. It is recommended not to use DAP or Single Super Phosphate with Zinc Sulphate. Use only the right amount of fertilizers. After 30-35 days of transplantation, use of ZINC PEP 7000 should be done as a foliar spray at the tillering stage, using 1.5 ml per liter of water. A total of 200 liters of this solution must be sprayed on 1 acre of land. Also apply Crop Tiger at 2 kg per acre through broadcasting, followed by a foliar application of 1 kg per acre 20-25 days after the initial spray. After 50-55 days of transplantation, spray Aminofert Gold Liquid @ 2 ml /liter of water. A total of 200 liters of this solution must be sprayed on 1 acre of land.
- 9. **Process of Transplantation: -** The field must be filled with water and ploughed twice or thrice. The seedlings of 20-25 days (4th leaf stage) is best suited for transplanting. The distance between plant to plant and line to line should be 15 to 20 cm. Always plant 2-3 plants at one place. Transplant the seedlings 1.0-1.5 inches deep. The field should have 2-3 inches of water at the time of transplanting. There should be approximate 30-35 plants in one square meter.

*Note: Before transplanting, dip roots in a solution of 250 g **PSEUDO-PEP** in 20 liters of water for 30–35 minutes to prevent Bakanae disease, Sheath blight, and Root rot.

- 10. Irrigation Management: Maintain 2-3 inches of water for 45 days after transplanting. The fields should have enough water at the time of bursting of blossoms, flowering and grain formation. This makes Phosphorus, Iron and Manganese elements easily available and also reduces weeds.
- 11. Weed control: Use a khurpi or paddy weeder to remove weeds in field or apply **BARREK** @ 0.75 ml/L of water for effective post emergence weed control. However, keep in mind that you must use these chemicals 6-7 days after treating with **Tricho PEP V** and **Pseudo-PEP**.

12. Crop protection from major Insects and Diseases:

Insect:

S.No	Name of Insect	Insect identity	Affected part of plant	Recommended Control
1.	Stem Borer	Striped – Pink, White or Yellow Larvae	The main stem and tillers turn white	Cartap Don GR or Pepora or other recommended insecticide
2.	Leaf Folder	Light Green or Sallow Color Larvae	Soft leaves (wraps itself in the leaf and hides in it)	Cartap Don GR or Pepora or other recommended insecticide
3.	Brown/White Plant Hopper	Light Brown White Color Hopper	Stems and leaves at collar region (Whole plant)	Dippot or other recommended insecticide

Diseases:

S.No	Name of Disease	Symptoms of Disease	Affected Part of the plant	Recommended Control
1.	Blast or Blight	Eye-shaped brown spots on the leaves and even the edges turns brown	Leaf, stem and panicle	Dizoxy (Azoxystrobin 18.2% + Difenoconazole 11.4% SC) or other recommended fungicide
2.	Bacterial Leaf Blight	Drying of edges of the leaves or the entire leaf gets a ash-color patch	Leaf and grains	Kycin (Kasugamycin 3% SL) or any other recommended bactericide
3.	Sheath Blight	Long green spots on the sheath becomes brown	Leaves causing drying of whole tiller	Dizoxy (Azoxystrobin 18.2% + Difenoconazole 11.4% SC) or other recommended fungicide
4.	Khaira Disease	Chlorotic midribs, particularly near the leaf base of younger leaves	Overall growth stops	Zinc PEP 7000 (Zinc Oxide 39.5% SC)
5.	Foot Rot / Bakanae Disease	Thin plants with yellow leaves or seedling dries at early tillering	Roots, stem and the whole plant	Soil must be treated well with Tricho PEP V & Pseudo-PEP . Even the roots of the seedling must be dipped in Pseudo-PEP before transplantation
6.	False Smut	Transform grain into, a yellow or black colored powder develops in the grain	Grains	Treat the seeds with Tricho PEP V or other recommended fungicide

14. Useful information:-

- Level the farm with Laser Land Leveler.
- Must use FYM, compost or green manure in the field to increase Carbon and beneficial microbial activities .
- Must remove weeds from the main crop early before flowering.
- Ensure timely application of balanced fertilizers, including Potassium, Zinc, and Iron.
- Seedlings must be planted in line only. Depth may not exceed 1 1.5 inches.
- Soak the roots of plants in the solution of Pseudo-PEP and soil augmented with **Tricho-PEP V** & **Pseudo-PEP** to prevent blast blight, sheath blight and Bakane disease.
- Keep the water level at 3-5 centimeters of planting for 45 days after transplantation.
- Keep track of disease and insects by regular monitoring of crops to manage crop health at an early stage.

