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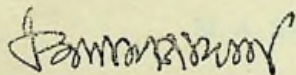
DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The present Journal (Vol. 4, 1982, Publication no. 28) will bear the testimony to the success and recognition of the scientists of the Sugarcane Research & Training Institute for their positive contribution towards the development of science and technology of sugarcane in Bangladesh. The sugarcane growers will hopefully be benefited from the scientific articles published in this volume for the improvement of sugarcane cultivation and increase per acre yield. The information will certainly bring some measurable changes in upgrading the knowledge of those who are directly or indirectly connected with the development and research in sugarcane.

The present volume reports the results on flowering behaviour, pollen viability, varietal performance, interrow spacing, planting time, yield contributing factors, normal and spaced transplanting method, seed materials (top, middle, bottom), intercropping with several crop combination, NPK fertilizer requirement, split application of nitrogen and potash, artificial defoliations, stalk-binding effect, chemical ripener, sugar breakdown in stale cane, root development, wilt-resistance, white leaf disease, recommended and traditional technology, sugar processing (sugar and 'Gur' factory), survey on typical sample size, new insects, mosaic virus etc. etc.

The synthesis of this knowledge and their proper application at appropriate time, and perfect communication of these technology to the growers and transfer to the fields of the sugarcane farmers will bring positive returns.

We hope and have great trust that the extension personnel in collaboration with the research personnel at the Sugarcane Research & Training Institute will be able to discharge successfully the appropriate technology into the fields and feedback the field problems to the research laboratories for solution and help the growers overcome the problems and get relief.



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