

Nature of Damage:

- Cloudy climate in June-July
- Water stagnation favorable
- Larva bores into immature internodes
- Full grown larva has four longitudinal stripes on the dorsal side with violet spots.
- Hole noticed on internodes
- Frass observed outside the hole.
- Sprouting of eye bud if sever infestation



Management of Internode borer:

- Use Borer free setts for planting.
 - Detrashing of crop at fifth, seventh and ninth month.
 - Removal of water shoots at eighth and ninth month.
 - Avoid high dose of nitrogen.
 - Release of Egg parasitoids *Trichogramma chilonis* in field @ 3-5 lac parasitized eggs /ha in suitable installments.
 - Mass trapping of male adults with use of pheromone trap @ 25 / ha. Trap should be installed at 30 cm above the crop height.
 - Seed treatment with 70 % Imidachloprid 36 gm. in 100 lit. of water for 15 minutes.
 - Soil application of granular insecticide Fipronil 0.3 GR @ 25 kg/ha or Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 GR @ 22.5 kg/ha
 - Spraying of Chlorantraniliprole 18.5% SC @ 375 ml per ha .
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