

Intercultural Operations

Weeding

Weeds compete with the crop and affect its growth and yield. The crop should be kept weed free during its entire growth period. Weeding is done either manually or by using chemicals. Pre-emergence application of Basalin (2-3 litres/ha) controls most of the weeds.

Vine Support

Mostly all tall varieties are staked with bamboos or wooden poles. In some areas wire trellis supported by strings is also used. However, the dwarf variety do not require any support.