

Papaya

Planting

Season of Planting

The ideal season of transplanting is the beginning of monsoon. However, transplanting may be continued from June to November.

Spacing

The soil should be thoroughly ploughed and levelled before planting. In general the optimum recommended spacing is 1.8x1.8m accommodating 3086 plants/ha. Square or rectangular system of planting is usually adopted in papaya.

Pit Digging

Pits of 45 cm³ are to be made at required distance. They are filled with top soil and FYM (3:1) and single Superphosphate (100 g) before transplanting.

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Seedlings should be transplanted, preferably in the evening. It is suggested to transplant at least 2-3 seedlings/pit in case of varieties, which produces only male or female flowers on individual plant (CO.2, CO.6, Pusa Dwarf and Washington). In the gynodioecious type (CO.3, Pusa Majestic and Pusa Delicious) single plant can be planted per pit.