All India Co-ordinated Research Project on Cotton



The All India Co-ordinated Research Project was initially established at Agricultural Research Station, Sirguppa, during 1967 to cater the needs of irrigated ecology farmers. The scheme was then shifted from ARS, Sirguppa to MARS, Raichur during 2013. The scheme is being headed by Dr. J. M. Nidagundi, Senior Cotton Breeder, besides Dr. M. Y. Ajayakumar as an Agronomist and Dr. S. G. Hanchinal as Entomologist. Notable contributions include improved cotton varieties SUJAY (SCS 793), BGDS 1063, SCS 1061 and BGDS 1033 and intra-hirsutum hybrids RAHH 455, SHH 818 and BGDHH 697. Agronomic investigations have shed light on leaf reddening and integrated nutrient management in cotton. New molecules are being researched for management of key pests of cotton including Pink Bollworm.

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