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Evaluation of aromatic rice varieties in Wayanad, Kerala

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Abstract

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Three field experiments in randomized complete block design were conducted at Ambalavayal during 1996 to 1998 kharif to evaluate the performance of 12 aromatic rice varieties/cultivars. Pooled analysis of the yield data indicates that 'Pusa Basmati- 1' had the highest grain yield of 2777 kg ha⁻¹. But it was statistically at par with that of 'Jeerakasala' (2743 kg ha⁻¹) and IET- 12606 (2610 kg ha⁻¹), implying the suitability of these three varieties for cultivation in Wayanad district. Regarding grain quality attributes, both 'Pusa Basmati-1' and IET-12606 are long-slender 'scented' varieties, whereas 'Jeerakasala' is a short-bold 'lightly scented' type.

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