

Effect of time of planting on growth and yield of irrigated Nendran banana

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Abstract

Field experiments were conducted at the Regional Agricultural Research Station, Ambalavayal for three years to standardize the best time of planting of irrigated banana var. Nendran (AAB) for maximum growth and yield of quality bunches. Suckers were planted at monthly interval on the first of every month starting from July to December. July to October plantings were equally good for mean bunch weight (7.83, 8.38, 8.10 and 8.20 kg respectively) and were superior to November and December plantings (5.28 and 4.14 kg respectively). November and December plantings recorded minimum value for all the growth and bunch characteristics studied except crop duration. Planting of Nendran beyond October enhances the crop duration.

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