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webinar held on management of weather-specific insects on crops

Haridwar : A webinar organised by Agromet Field Unit (AMFU) Roorkee, Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI) and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan(UBA) IIT Roorkee discussed the outbreak and management of various weather-based insects on rabi crops.

Prof A K Pandey from G B Pant University of Agriculture & Technology Pantnagar, pointed that during the winter season, due to low-temperature, insects activity gets slowed down. In such a situation, farmers should avoid spraying pesticides unnecessarily.

Technical project officer Dr Arvind Kumar urged farmers to follow the Agromet advisory bulletins issued bi-weekly for the farmers of Dehradun, Haridwar and Pauri Garhwal districts by AMFU Roorkee.

Agro scientists pointed that due to an increase in relative humidity in the environment due to fog and haze there would be a possibility of a severe infestation of 'Maho' insect in wheat, vegetables and mustard for which the farmers can use neem oil instead of chemical pesticides.

Farmers were also cautioned about the side effect of excessive use of urea due to abundant moisture in the environment increases the chance of outbreaks of insects such as Mahos, thrips among others. Indian Meteorological Department Additional Director General Anand Sharma also attended the seminar dwelling on varied aspects of meteorology and agriculture sector virtually.