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### Management of infestation of pod borer (*Lucinodes orbonalis* Guenee) and productivity enhancement of brinjal (*Solanum melogena*) through vermiwash with biopesticide

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#### Abstract

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*Lucinodes orbonalis* is common pest of brinjal vegetable crops causing 70-80% loss of crop productivity in eastern Uttar Pradesh. Foliar spray of water extract of single and binary combinations of vermiwash with biopesticides checks the infestation of the *Lucinodes orbonalis* and increases the crop productivity. Significant decrease in *Lucinodes orbonalis* population was observed after foliar spray of vermiwash with neem oil followed by aqueous garlic and annona leaf extract. The combination of neem oil with vermiwash caused complete removal of the *Lucinodes orbonalis* infestation. Vermiwash obtained from municipal solid wastes and animal dung with neem oil was found to be most effective against *Lucinodes orbonalis*. The use of vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with neem oil or garlic extract is better alternative to manage the pod borer infestation of *Lucinodes orbonalis* in brinjal.

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#### Introduction

Brinjal, *Solanum melogenum* family Solanaceae is a common and most important nutritious vegetable crop and commonly known as egg plant. Brinjal fruit have 93% water, 40% carbohydrate, 1.4% protein, 0.3% minerals, 1.3% fibres, potassium, sulphur and phosphorous as well as vitamin A and C. *Lucinodes orbonalis*, is a common pest of brinjal and commonly known as shoot and fruit borer, which has high reproductive potential, rapid turnover of generation in both wet and dry season (Purohit and Khatri 1973; Allam et al., 1982). After hatching the larvae bore tender shoot and affect the translocation mechanism of nutrient resulting into drooping and withering of shoots. Whereas, caterpillar also bore flower buds and developing fruits as cause economic loss of their production (Alam and Sana, 1962; Butani and Jotwani, 1984; Patil, 1990). A single larva of *L. orbonalis* is enough to damage 4-6 healthy fruits (Anonymous, 2010). In India the average 60-70% loss of brinjal productivity was caused by *L. orbonalis* infestation.

The synthetic insecticides have widely used for control of *L. orbonalis* infestation. In Bangladesh the farmers sprayed 180 times with chemical pesticides during a year to protect their egg plant crop against, *Lucinodes orbonalis* (SUSVEG- Asia, 2007). Chemical fertilizers and pesticides were altered the soil quality and changed its physico-chemical nature as well as contaminated the fruits (Gupta, 2005; Devi, 2007). The pesticides of chemical origin have also affect the diversity of non-target organism and leads various health hazardous (Ahmad, 2007). The management of huge amount of municipal solid wastes generated in metropolitan cities is major challenge for the society in the absence of proper technology of their management (Sellanduria, 2009). The animal wastes are also a serious problem for society because their noxious and odor problems (Garg et al., 2005)

The vermicompositing is the better way for the proper management of these wastes (Crescent, 2003). The vermiwash is liquid bio-fertilizer, extracted from the vermicompost with earthworms. The vermiwash of municipal solid wastes is full of organic matter, plant nutrient and soluble salt which increase the soil nutrient and moisture content (Astarai and Ivani, 2008). The biopesticides are more toxic against survival of insects pest, eco-friendly, non-hazardous, less expensive and easily pre-parable (Rajascakaran and kumarswamy, 1989). Neem (*Azadirachta indica* A. zuss) and garlic extract have larvicidal, toxic, repellent, ovicidal, antifeedent and anti-oviposition effect on insect pest (Zhu et al., 2001; Amonkar and Banerji, 1971; Cavallito and Balley, 1944). Leaves, bark and seed extract

of *Annona squamosa* have pesticidal and insect antifeedent property (Alali and McLaughlin 1999). Application of potent plant pesticide with vermiwash is the best alternative of chemical fertilizer and pesticides (Ma et al., 2000).

The aim of the present study was to observe combined effect of vermiwash obtained from municipal solid wastes and animal wastes with different bio-pesticides on the growth, flowering and productivity of brinjal crop as well as management of *Lucinodes orbanalis* infestation.

## 2. Material and Methods

### (a). Collection of wastes:

Municipal solid wastes were collected from the local municipality. Animal wastes viz. cow, buffalo, horse and goat dung was collected from different farm houses of Gorakhpur city. Municipal solid wastes and different animal dung (cow, buffalo, goat, and horse dung) were sprayed in layer of about 1-2 feet. This was sprinkled with water and also exposed to the sunlight for 5 to 10 days to remove the various harmful organisms and noxious gases.

### (b). Collection of earthworms

An epigeic earthworms species *Eisenia foetida*, were cultured in the Vermiculture Research Laboratory, Department of Zoology, D.D.U Gorakhpur university, Gorakhpur. The collected earthworms were reared in laboratory condition, at temperature ranging 20-30°C with proper aeration. The moisture was maintained upto 40-60% RH for proper growth and survival of earthworms (Gupta, 2005).

### (c). Method of vermicomposting

The vermicomposting was conducted on cemented earth surface by the method of Nath et al. (2009). Different combination of animal dung with municipal solid wastes viz- in 1: 1, 1:2 and 2:1 ratio (w/w) was formed. The size of each vermibed was 3m x 1m x 9cm After formation of vermibed, it was moist and inoculated with 2 kg of *E. foetida* in each bed. The beds were covered with discarded jute packet and the bed was moistened daily for up to 40 to 50 days to maintain the proper moisture content. The mixture of bed was manually turned upto 3 weeks at one week interval. After 50 to 60 days, granular tea like vermicompost appears on the upper surface of the beds.

### (d). Extraction of vermiwash

Vermiwash was extracted from a vermiwash collecting device by the method of Ismail (1997). The apparatus was made from a plastic or metal drum having capacity of 2-L and a tap at the bottom of the drum filled with broken bricks to about 3 cm thickened which is followed by sand layer of 2-3 cm thickness. Lastly filled with vermicompost with heavy population of earthworms (400 worms/kg vermicompost). Simultaneously freshwater was added into the drum and a container kept below the tap of drum. The watery extract of vermicompost, vermiwash drainage out off drum. The colour of vermiwash ranged from yellowish to black. After 1 to 2 days, the extraction has been completed.

### (e). Collection and preparation of biopesticides

#### 1. Neem oil

Neem oil consisted of 0.03% azadirachtine, 90.57% neem oil, and 5.00% hydroxy EI, 0.50% epichlorohydrine, and 3.9% aromax (Multiplex Agricare Pvt. Ltd., City, India).

#### 2. Garlic extract

Aqueous extract of garlic was obtained from an *Allium sativum* bulb. A prepared aqueous extract (10 g/100 ml) (w/v) was mixed with diluted VW in a 1: 10 ratio.

#### 3. Custard apple

Leaves were collected from the plant of custard apple (*Annona squamosa*). It is a native of South America and West Indies. A prepared aqueous extract (100 g/100 ml) (w/v) of leaves was mixed with diluted VW in a 1: 10 ratio.

### Experimental Design:

Measurement of growth, flowering period and productivity as well as pest infestation were performed of brinjal (*Solanum melogena*) -- Pusa Kranti in the experimental field of Vermiculture Research Laboratory, Department of Zoology, D.D.U Gorakhpur University. The 40 days old seedlings planted in experimental field /square meter in each. Growth of crop was measured by auxonometer after 20 days from plantation. Flowering period and productivity (Kg/m<sup>2</sup>) of brinjal was measured in each experimental field.

#### 2.4. Chemical analysis

The pH was determined by using a double distilled water suspension of each waste in the ratio of 1:10 (w/v) that has been agitated mechanically for 30 minutes and filtered through Whatsmann No.1 filter paper, total organic carbon (TOC) measured by the method of Nelson and Sommers, (1982). Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN) determined after digesting the sample with conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and conc. HClO<sub>4</sub>, (9:1 v/v) according to the method of Bremner and Mulvaney, (1982). Total available Phosphorus (TAP) analyzed using the colorimetric method with

molybdenum in sulfuric acid and total potassium (TK) was determined after digesting the sample in diacid mixture conc.  $\text{HNO}_3$ , conc.  $\text{HClO}_4$ , 4:1 (v/v) by flame photometer (Garg et al., 2005).

### 2.5. Statistical Analysis:

All experiments were replicated six times. Significant variance ( $p < 0.05$ ) determined by two way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was applied in between the different parameter of initial feed mixture and final vermiwash (Sokal and Rohlf, 1973).

### Results

The binary combination of vermiwash with biopesticide viz neem (*Azadirachta indica*) oil, aqueous extract of garlic (*Allium sativum*) and leaves extract of custard apple (*Annona squamosa*) caused a significant ( $p < 0.05$ ) reduction in pest infestation and increase in plant growth, with early flowering and productivity of *Solanum melogena*. The significant reduction in number of *Lucinodes orbonalis* population was observed after spraying of vermiwash with biopesticides (Table 1-4). The different combinations of vermiwash with garlic extract caused maximum reduction in *Lucinodes orbonalis* population while neem oil with vermiwash caused complete removal of *L. orbonalis* population (Table 3-4).

Growth of brinjal in control group was 8.58, 11.15 and 17.49 cm. at 30, 40 and 50 days after plantation, respectively. The foliar spray of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with bio-pesticide caused significant increase in plant growth. Vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with different bio-pesticide result in significant growth of brinjal plant (Table 1-4). The highest growth of brinjal was (29.05 cm) was observed after spraying of vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with neem oil followed by vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with aqueous extract of garlic bulb (Table 3). Vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with garlic extract and leaf extract of custard apple (*Annona squamosa*) caused significant growth of 28.96 and 28.24cm, respectively (Table 2-3)

The flowering period of brinjal in control group was 73.25 days. Significant early flowering was observed in single and binary combinations of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with different bio-pesticide. The earliest flowering period of brinjal was 63.06 and 63.21 days was observed after spraying of vermiwash of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with garlic extract (Table 3-4). The significant increase in productivity of brinjal was observed in all the combination of vermiwash obtained from different animal dung and municipal solid wastes singly and in binary combination of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with aqueous extract of garlic. The maximum productivity of brinjal ( $6.86 \text{ Kg/m}^2$ ) was observed in the combination of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with neem oil with respect to all the combinations of vermiwash with bio-pesticides (Table 3).

The per cent pest infestation was also reduced after spraying of different bio-pesticide in combination with vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes. Population of the shoot and fruit borer (*L. orbonalis*) was significantly reduced by the foliar application of the vermiwash with bio-pesticides. The complete removal of pest infestation was observed in the combination of buffalo dung and municipal solid wastes with neem oil.

**Table 1- Effect of different combinations of vermiwash of different animal dung with municipal solid wastes on growth, flowering, productivity of brinjal plant and percent pest infestation of *L. orbonalis* (Fruit and shoot borer)**

Vermiwash	Combination Ratio	Growth (cm)			Flowering in days	Productivity (gm/m <sup>2</sup> )	% Pod pest infestation		
		Spray periods after planting					Spray periods after planting		
		30	40	50			80	90	100
<b>Control</b>	---	858±086	1115±062	1749±065	7325±017	196±0018	2215±068	2538±074	2778±076
<b>MSW</b>	---	1218±017	1925±028	2165±030	7154±097	215±0036	2024±059	1826±055	1517±047
<b>Goat Dung</b>	---	#1258±017	1537±028	1926±030	6532±097	324±0036	2126±059	1715±055	1446±047
<b>Dung+ MSW</b>	1:1	1384±082	1652±078	2057±086	6492±027	352±0011	2078±051	1664±042	1386±037
	1:2	1438±038	1754±049	2143±086	6397±152	387±0013	2157±040	1545±034	1279±028
		1475±023	1822±047	2289±096	6332±027	426±0010	2068±037	1507±027	1224±020
<b>Horse Dung</b>	---	1378±017	1739±028	2358±032	6812±051	358±0021	2068±064	1628±054	1428±048
<b>Dung +MSW</b>	1:1	1487±029	1878±051	2412±087	6784±027	367±0018	2156±054	1576±048	1326±038
	1:2	1513±026	1922±042	2485±094	6613±018	485±0021	2084±047	1443±031	1217±032
	2:1	1584±033	1987±120	2528±095	6582±007	502±0023	2172±042	1414±029	1169±024
<b>Buffalo Dung</b>	---	1438±035	1742±026	2284±029	7028±048	387±0018	2128±056	1576±049	1362±040
<b>Dung+MSW</b>	1:1	1624±036	1938±054	2486±140	6624±019	484±0014	2064±051	1518±046	1487±037
	1:2	1693±040	1989±042	2654±087	6558±017	518±0023	2078±042	1410±031	1148±026
	<b>2:1</b>	<b>1738±028</b>	<b>2023±057</b>	<b>2798±086</b>	<b>6325±010</b>	<b>554±0018</b>	<b>2112±033</b>	<b>1345±020</b>	<b>1084±019</b>
<b>Cow Dung</b>	---	1403±015	1706±025	2234±029	6821±049	252±0025	2061±058	1484±046	1381±040
<b>Dung +MSW</b>	1:1	1584±029	1884±045	2397±079	6778±017	318±0018	2073±049	1584±038	1346±035
	1:2	1636±026	1937±059	2562±080	6687±021	428±0024	2015±039	1321±030	1023±034
	2:1	1685±034	1994±062	2603±089	6524±031	487±0035	2184±036	1284±025	989±017

Each value is the mean ± SE of six replicates

2 way ANOVA: Significant (P< 0.05) \* within column, # within row.

\$- significant one way ANNOVA (P< 0.05) within row.

**Table 2- Effect of different combinations of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with Annona leaf extract on growth, flowering, productivity of brinjal plant and percent pest infestation of *L. orbonalis* (Fruit and shoot borer)**

Vermiwash +1ml annona leaf extract	Combination Ratio	Growth (cm)			Flowering in days	Productivity (gm/m <sup>2</sup> )	% Pod pest infestation		
		Spray periods after planting					Spray periods after planting		
		30	40	50			80	90	100
<b>Control- MSW</b>	---	858±086	11.15±062	1749±065	7325±017	196±0018	22.15±068	25.38±074	27.78±076
		1235±083	14.64±073	2187±028	71.15±049	2.38±0026	20.64±062	17.76±057	14.87±050
<b>Goat dung Dung +MSW</b>		1289±017	15.57±028	1984±030	6507±097	3.68±0036	21.64±059	16.57±055	14.18±047
	1:1	1424±082	16.96±078	2089±086	6454±027	3.87±0011	19.64±054	15.12±042	12.79±037
	1:2	1485±038	17.97±049	21.96±086	6325±152	4.84±0013	21.87±047	14.96±034	11.84±028
	2:1	1528±023	18.94±047	23.28±096	62.76±027	5.17±0010	20.79±037	14.26±027	10.86±020
<b>Horse dung Dung +MSW</b>	---	1426±017	17.86±028	24.38±032	6839±051	3.86±0021	21.84±064	15.47±054	13.28±048
	1:1	1538±029	19.26±051	24.88±087	67.21±027	4.12±0018	21.08±054	14.87±048	11.54±038
	1:2	15.64±026	19.68±042	25.36±094	65.84±018	4.97±0021	20.56±047	13.45±031	9.46±032
	2:1	16.36±033	20.54±120	25.86±095	65.17±007	5.38±0023	21.87±042	12.41±029	8.12±024
<b>Cow dung Dung+MSW</b>	---	1464±035	17.58±026	23.26±029	68.24±048	3.96±0018	20.52±056	19.68±049	12.48±040
	1:1	16.76±036	19.68±054	25.32±140	66.84±019	5.24±0014	21.14±051	14.02±046	11.76±037
	1:2	17.32±040	20.56±042	26.87±087	65.18±017	5.38±0023	21.54±042	13.84±031	9.18±026
	2:1	<b>17.63±028</b>	<b>20.87±057</b>	<b>28.24±086</b>	<b>63.54±010</b>	<b>5.74±0018</b>	<b>20.21±033</b>	<b>11.26±020</b>	<b>7.98±019</b>
<b>Buffalo dung Dung +MSW</b>	---	#14.6±0.15	17.39±025	22.87±029	67.87±049	2.83±0025	21.73±058	13.87±046	12.12±040
	1:1	16.22±029	19.37±045	24.68±079	68.32±017	3.47±0018	20.58±049	12.24±038	11.14±035
	1:2	16.78±026	20.28±059	25.87±080	65.27±021	4.46±0024	20.64±039	11.47±030	8.46±034
	2:1	17.32±034	20.75±062	26.54±089	64.86±031	5.12±0035	21.75±036	10.24±025	6.84±017

Each value is the mean ± SE of six replicates

2 way ANOVA: Significant (P< 0.05) \* within column , # within row.

\$- significant one way ANNOVA (P< 0.05) within row.

**Table 3- Effect of different combinations of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with Garlic extract on growth, flowering, and productivity of brinjal plant and percent pest infestation of *L. orbanalis* (Fruit and shoot borer)**

Vermiwash +1ml garlic bulb extract	Combination Ratio	Growth (cm)			Flowering in days	Productivity (gm/m <sup>2</sup> )	% Pod pest infestation		
		Spray periods after planting					Spray periods after planting		
		30	40	50			80	90	100
<b>Control</b>	--	858±086	11.15±062	17.49±065	73.25±017	196±0018	22.15±068	25.38±074	27.78±076
<b>MSW</b>	-	1255±083	15.32±073	22.25±028	69.37±049	267±0026	21.45±062	16.42±057	13.21±050
<b>Goat dung</b>		1325±017	15.86±028	20.36±030	64.74±097	397±0036	20.61±059	12.54±055	11.32±047
Dung+ MSW	1:1	1457±082	17.36±078	21.54±086	64.12±027	4.32±0011	20.58±051	11.43±042	10.27±037
	1:2	1528±038	18.32±049	22.42±086	63.02±1.52	5.18±0.013	21.47±040	11.12±034	7.25±028
	2:1	1678±023	19.46±047	23.78±096	62.76±027	5.63±0010	20.37±037	8.45±027	5.32±020
<b>Horse dung</b>	---	1454±017	18.32±028	24.62±032	67.65±051	4.13±0021	20.48±064	11.87±054	10.25±048
Dung+MSW	1:1	1574±029	19.84±051	25.28±087	67.03±027	4.56±0018	21.52±054	10.41±048	9.12±038
	1:2	1626±026	20.31±042	26.13±094	65.18±018	5.12±0021	20.84±047	9.47±031	6.84±032
	2:1	1668±033	20.86±1.20	26.63±095	64.68±007	5.68±0023	20.47±042	7.41±029	4.67±024
<b>Buffalo dung</b>	---	1497±035	17.88±026	23.84±029	67.85±048	4.18±0018	20.31±056	9.84±049	4.87±040
Dung+MSW	1:1	1732±036	19.89±054	25.64±1.40	66.28±019	5.84±0014	20.13±051	7.25±046	3.98±037
	1:2	1787±040	21.54±042	27.34±087	64.68±017	6.12±0023	21.86±042	5.84±031	2.76±026
	<b>2:1</b>	<b>1834±028</b>	<b>22.32±057</b>	<b>28.96±086</b>	<b>63.21±010</b>	<b>6.56±0018</b>	<b>20.64±033</b>	<b>4.21±020</b>	<b>1.05±019</b>
<b>Cow dung</b>	---	1521±015	17.87±025	23.24±029	67.18±049	3.18±0025	21.57±058	10.54±046	9.68±040
Dung+MSW	1:1	1678±029	19.68±045	24.96±079	67.68±017	3.69±0018	20.13±049	9.15±038	8.76±035
	1:2	1746±026	20.78±059	26.42±080	65.56±021	4.68±0024	20.84±039	7.47±030	5.54±034
	2:1	1789±034	21.52±062	26.98±089	64.16±031	5.45±0035	21.47±036	5.84±025	3.13±017

Each value is the mean ± SE of six replicate

2 way ANOVA: Significant (P< 0.05) \* within column # within row.

\$- significant one way ANNOVA (P< 0.05) within row.

**Table 4- Effect of different combinations of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with neem oil on growth, flowering, and productivity of brinjal plant and percent pest infestation of *L. orbonalis* (Fruit and shoot borer)**

Vermiwash +1ml neem oil extract	Combination Ratio	Growth (cm)			Flowering in days	Productivity (gm/m <sup>2</sup> )	% Pod pest infestation		
		Spray periods after planting					Spray periods after planting		
		30	40	50		80	90	100	
<b>Control</b>	--	858±086	1115±062	1749±065	7325±017	196±0018	2215±068	2538±074	2778±076
<b>MSW</b>	--	1284±083	1568±073	2276±028	6887±049	286±0026	2045±062	1584±057	1276±050
<b>Goat</b>	--	1368±017	1628±028	2075±030	6421±097	408±0036	2013±059	975±055	684±047
<b>Dung +MSW</b>	1:1	1486±082	1758±078	2186±086	6373±027	458±0011	2056±051	752±042	514±037
	1:2	1564±038	1878±049	2276±086	6282±152	534±0013	2173±040	648±034	482±028
	2:1	1725±023	1989±047	2414±096	6184±027	575±0010	2054±037	534±027	254±020
<b>Horse</b>	---	478±017	1868±028	2478±032	6713±051	428±0021	2068±064	924±054	587±048
<b>Dung+MSW</b>	1:1	1618±029	2023±051	2583±087	6684±027	478±0018	2168±054	687±048	465±038
	1:2	1638±026	2058±042	2656±094	6448±018	536±0021	2068±047	586±031	354±032
	2:1	1726±033	2156±120	2686±095	6410±007	594±0023	2184±042	458±029	178±024
<b>Buffalo</b>	---	1532±035	1836±026	2428±029	6713±048	438±0018	2124±056	842±049	324±040
<b>Dung+MSW</b>	1:1	1748±036	2026±054	2587±140	6575±019	624±0014	2054±051	634±046	278±037
	1:2	1832±040	2187±042	2758±087	6424±017	637±0023	2186±042	428±031	132±026
	<b>2:1</b>	<b>1887±028</b>	<b>2275±057</b>	<b>2905±086</b>	<b>6306±010</b>	<b>686±0018</b>	<b>2154±033</b>	<b>321±020</b>	<b>Nil</b>
<b>Cow</b>	---	1564±015	1836±025	2368±029	6676±049	354±0025	2142±058	884±046	389±040
<b>Dung+MSW</b>	1:1	1736±029	1987±045	2535±079	6621±017	386±0018	2154±049	584±038	318±035
	1:2	1787±026	2132±059	2675±080	6518±021	479±0024	2064±039	432±030	218±034
	2:1	2178±034	2734±062	2732±089	6386±031	584±0035	2184±036	323±025	098±017

Each value is the mean ± SE of six replicate

2 way ANOVA: Significant (P< 0.05) \* within column , # within row

\$- significant one way ANNOVA (P< 0.05) within row.

## 5. Discussion:

It is evident from result that the binary combination of vermiwash of different animal dung and municipal solid wastes with biopesticides Viz- neem (*Azadirachata indica*) oil, aqueous extract of garlic (*Allium sativum*) and leaf extract of custard apple (*Annona squamosa*) have significant ( $p < 0.05$ ) effect on plant growth, early flowering and productivity of brinjal fruit (*Solanum melogena*) as well as reduction in pest infestation of *Lucinodes orbonalis*. Vermiwash of different animal dung with municipal solid wastes have significant amount of nitrogen, phosphorous, calcium, potassium, vitamins, enzymes and plant hormones (Astarai and Ivani, 2008). The foliar spray of municipal solid wastes vermiwash causes persistence of water droplet on the leaves surface which promotes the leaf succulency, increase photosynthetic activity, internodes growth, improved plant physiology and ultimately increase the yield and quality of plant (Astarai and Ivani, 2008; Gamaley et al., 2006). Large amount of humus produced by earthworms activity also contributed for the higher productivity in brinjal crop (Atiyeh et al., 2002). *Annona squamosa* also shows toxic effect on insect pest (Alali and McLaughlin, 1999). Aqueous extract obtained from *Annona squamosa* leaves, bark and seeds have annonaceous acetogenins which have pesticidal and insect feeding properties (Alkofahi et al., 1989; Rupprecht et al., 1990). The insecticidal activity of seed extract of *Annona squamosa* was due to the presence of annonins (i.e. annonine I= Squamocin), adjacent to bis-tetra hydrofeuron (THF) ring acetogenins (Sahani, 1994). Ghatak et al. (2009) reported that the reduction in fruit damage in the range of 71.98% to 76.94% after treatment with *Annona squamosa* extract in brinjal crop. Wondafrash, (2012) observed that the water extract obtained from neem leaf caused significant decrease in feeding and survival behavior of insect pest. Raja et al. (1999) studied that the neem oil shows desiccation effect the behavioral modification in fruit and shoot borer. There was significant reduction in population of brinjal shoot and fruit borer after treatment of neem seed extract @ 75g/l of water (Owusu et al., 2001). Neem extract obtained from different plant part have bio-active compound *Azadirachtin*, a limnoid (Tri-terpenoid) potent anti-feedant, growth regulator, antifungal, bactericidal, antiviral effect on animals (Wondafrash, 2012; Champagne, 1992). Chitra et al. (1993) observed 69.55% control of *L.orbonalis* after spraying of 0.10% leaf extract of *Azadirachta indica*.

Fresh garlic extract have major component of diallyl di-sulphide and diallyl tri-sulphide which have antagonistic properties against pest of economic importance such as potato tuber, red cotton bug, red palm weevil, houseflies and mosquitoes (Amonkar and Banerji, 1997). Garlic produces a pungent alliaceous compound, allyl-propyl disulphide, which may be responsible for its pest repellent characteristic. Early flowering was also observed in tomato plants treated with vermicompost with biopesticides it was possible due to presence of TKN and TP in vermiwash which is reason behind the early flowering. Large amount of TKN and TP causes early flowering in *Daucus Carota* and tomato plant (Mascolo et al., 1999; Satpal and Saimbhi, 2003). Which is due to presence of essential component especially humic acid in vermiwash of MSW.

## 5. Conclusion:

From the present investigation it can be concluded that the vermiwash with bio-pesticide is the better option for the growth, productivity as well as management of *Lucinodes orbonalis* infestation on brinjal crop. The foliar spray of vermiwash provide necessary nutrient to the growing plant for elongation, early flowering and fruiting phase. The bio-pesticide are more effective against larvae and caterpillar of fruit and shoot borer without contamination of fruits, so it is the best alternative of chemical fertilizers and pesticides for management of *Lucinodes orbonalis* population and enhancement of the productivity of fruit yield. These bio-products are easily pre-parable, biodegradable, less- expensive and most acceptable among rural areas.

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