

REVIEW ON IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON PLANT DISEASES

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food production. Currently, more than 800 million people do not have adequate food and at least 14% of global food production was decline due to plant diseases (Agrios, 2005).

Effects of Climate Changes on Plant Diseases

Elevated CO₂ adversely affect the physiology of host and pathogen interaction, increase in the canopy have a positive correlation and increase the density of foliar diseases, moisture stress increase dry root rot disease incidence and severity in case of anthracnose.

Host susceptibility has a positive correlation with temperature and moisture *i.e.* impact of temperature on stem rust of wheat was observed. In wheat varieties, resistant was observed at 15°C, and it was fully susceptible at 20°C. Due to high temperature, the rapid development of pathogens was observed *i.e.*, rust on groundnut (Mayee, 1996), Pathogens on chickpea, UG– 99 stem rust of wheat and *Rhizoctonia* in chickpea as well as *Phytophthora* on Pigeonpea and Soyabean. More rapid vector development like a vector of viral diseases of rice and vector of citrus tristeza virus was also the effect of temperature fluctuation.

According to Scherm and Coakley, 2003 fluctuation in temperature and humidity also increased over-summering and overwintering of pathogen as well as a vector like Barley Yellow dwarf, Oospore of sunflower downy mildew, *Chlamydo*spore of pigeonpea wilt and Charcoal rot of sorghum.

Effects of Climate Change on Crop yield

Table-1: Temperature Effects on Crop Yield of Several Major Crops

Crop	T _{opt} °C	T _{max} °C	Yield at T _{opt} , t/ha	Yield at 28 °C, t/ha	Yield at 37°C, t/ha	% Decrease in yield
Rice	25	36	7.55	6.31	2.93	54
Soybean	28	39	3.41	3.41	3.06	10
Dry bean	22	32	2.87	1.39	0.00	100
Peanut	25	40	3.38	3.22	2.58	20
Grain Sorghum	26	35	12.24	11.75	6.95	41

Rao, 2009 at Hyderabad reported that 100 per cent yield losses observed due to temperature fluctuation in dry bean crop followed by Rice (54%) and grain sorghum (41%).

Effects of Climate Change on Pathogen

Pangga *et al.*, 2004 studied the relative importance of canopy size and induced resistance to *Colletotrichum gloeosporioides* at atmospheric CO₂ concentrations of 350 and 700 ppm on Susceptible *Stylosanthes scabra* in a controlled environment facility in the field and reported that up to twice as many lesions per plant were produced in the high CO₂ plants, because the enlarged canopy trapped many more pathogen spores. Lake and Wade (2009) deliberate the interactions between *Erysiphe cichoracearum* and *Arabidopsis thaliana* under elevated levels of CO₂ and stated that the number of established colonies on mature leaves increased significantly.

The effects of carbon dioxide (CO₂) and ozone (O₃) on three soybean diseases (downy mildew, Septoria and sudden death syndrome) in the field condition have a correlation that elevated CO₂ reduced downy mildew disease severity. However, increased brown spot severity and without effect in sudden death syndrome (Eastburn *et al.*, 2010).

Shin and Yun (2010) also studied the effects of elevated CO₂ and temperature on the incidence of four major chilli pepper diseases *Anthracnose*, *Phytophthora* blight and two bacterial diseases and concluded that elevated CO₂ and temperature have a positive correlation with bacterial diseases that significantly increased the incidence of two bacterial diseases where on other hand *Anthracnose* decreased and *Phytophthora* blight slightly increased.

According to Woods *et al.* 2003, In British Columbia, red band needle blight is causing unprecedented mortality in lodgepole pine plantations and mature stands. The disease outbreak is driven by increases in summer precipitation that are beyond the range of previously recorded weather patterns. Snowmelt exposes shallow fine roots to colder temperatures and results in spring freeze injury that is killing millions of yellow-cedar in Alaska (Hennon and D'Amore 2006, Hennon and Shaw 1997).

Conclusion

- Now a day climates change is no more myth.
- If changes in atmospheric composition and global climate continue in the future as forecast, there will be the relocation of crops, and their diseases and influences will be felt in economic terms from crop loss.
- Changes in the level of CO₂ and O₃ concentration will influence disease by modifying host physiology and resistance.
- Changes in temperature and precipitation will influence disease epidemiology.
- Survival, longevity and aggressiveness are increased with the passage of time due to change in the climatic parameter.

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