

Quality Control of Pesticides

The Punjab state has highest per hectares consumption of pesticides in the country. To ensure quality pesticides to the farmers, samples of various pesticides were drawn from dealer's premises/godowns. Besides, to maintain quality of pesticides in the state, during 2009-10, various kinds of samples were also drawn from the manufacturing units and godowns of the companies. 85 samples were drawn for quality checkup. A total number of 3993 samples of insecticides were analyzed against target of 3900, out of these 133 samples were found sub standard, for which legal action has been initiated under the provisions of Insecticides Act, 1968 against the defaulters.