PAU FRUIT FLY TRAP: AN ECO-FRIENDLY TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGEMENT OF FRUIT FLIES IN FRUIT CROPS

Fruit flies are the most important pests of fruit crops through the world, including Punjab and other states of India. These quarantine pests attack a large number of fruit crops being grown in different states of India including Punjab. So far, PAU Fruit Fly Trap is the only technology recommended for management of fruit flies in fruit crops in Punjab.

PAU Fruit Fly Trap has been recommended by the Research Evaluation Committee, PAU, Ludhiana and has been included in the Package of Practices for Cultivation of Fruit Plants. At present, the trap is recommended for seven fruit crops; Citrus, guava, mango, pear, ber, peach and plum. Fruit growers from Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Western UP and Himachal Pradesh have visited Fruit Entomology Laboratory, Department of Fruit Science to purchase these traps especially for guava and citrus orchards. PAU, Ludhiana has recommended these traps for use in orchards @ 16 traps/acre. These traps are eco-friendly.

TMIPR Cell invites the response of the entrepreneurs and companies for the commercialization of fruit fly trap on *tmiprc@pau.edu*. For technical details contact Dr. Sandeep Singh, Principal Entomologist (Fruits), Department of Fruit Science, PAU, Ludhiana (Mobile No:-9815413046, email id: *sandeep_pau.1974@pau.edu*).



PAU Fruit Fly Trap fixed on a Kinnow Plant