ABSTRACT

In India, the total area under the cultivation of onion crop is 448.02 thousand hectares with total production of 42.21 lakh metric tonnes. Maharashtra is the leading state in India for onion production with the total area of 16.87 lakh metric tonnes from Maharashtra. Present study is found out actual practices followed and problems faced by the respondents onion growers. Totally 120 respondents were selected for the study. Majority of the respondents onion growers were educated up to primary and secondary education, had medium size of land holding, medium level of social participation, medium level of source of information, medium risk orientation category, medium area under onion cultivation medium economic motivation category and medium annual income. Major constraints faced by the respondents were lack of labours, unavailability of insecticide and pesticide, high cost of FYM and fertilizer, more labour charges, lower prices and price fluctuation in the market.