

OIL PALM YIELD LOSS ASSESSMENT TOOLS DUE TO *GANODERMA* BSR DISEASE



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Oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis* Jacq.) is being attacked by a fatal disease which is called as *Ganoderma* Basal Stem Rot (BSR) disease. It is very crucial to the planters to estimate the yield loss due to the disease. But, currently there is no existing mathematical model that can be used for that purpose. Therefore, this empirical study was conducted to build a mathematical model (i.e. assessment tools) which can be used for yield loss estimation due to the disease. For the purpose of data collection, three commercial oil palm plots with different production phase (i.e. step ascent phase, plateau phase, and declining phase) were selected as the study sites. Model averaging approach using Bayesian solution was used in developing the mathematical model (i.e. also called as Bayesian Model Averaging, BMA). In conclusion, the yield loss model built in this study can potentially be used by the oil palm planters in helping them to estimate the yield loss as well as economic loss due to *Ganoderma* BSR disease if no treatment is applied.



R1 - Uninfected



R5 - Dead due to *Ganoderma* BSR



R2 - Mild



R3 - Medium



R4 - Severe

ASSESSMENT TOOLS

$$YLTBW = f \left(\begin{matrix} R2, R3, R4, R5, AUDPC, NEIGHBOUR, PT, \\ AUDPC * NEIGHBOUR, AUDPC * PT \end{matrix} \right)$$

Palm ID	Severity at DS1	Severity at DS2	AUDPC	NEIGHBOUR	PT	YIELD LOSS
1	Key in	Key in	Auto-calculated	Key in	Key in	Estimated by BMA
2	Key in	Key in	Auto-calculated	Key in	Key in	Estimated by BMA
2	Key in	Key in	Auto-calculated	Key in	Key in	Estimated by BMA
3	Key in	Key in	Auto-calculated	Key in	Key in	Estimated by BMA
∞	Key in	Key in	Auto-calculated	Key in	Key in	Estimated by BMA

Calculate

Estimated total yield loss **0.00** MT per year

Requirements to used the tools:

1. Need to conduct disease census at least two times with the interval of six months (i.e. standard practice) in order to calculate the disease progress
2. Need to map the trees with the disease infection status in order to calculate the number of infected neighboring palms

PUBLICATION

- Two (2) articles published in indexed journals
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