Technology leaflet: Millet variety Guéfouè 16

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Origin

recombination of the best progeny lines (S1) of selfed plants from the population Toroniou collected at Ningari (CMM 156), Bandiagara rift

Morphologic features

Plant height 2.5 - 3 m Tillering abundant Ear form cylindrical Ear size 30 - 35 cm Compaction very compact Grain color yellow gray Grain weight 9 - 10 g per 1000 grains

Agronomic features

Time to flowering 65 - 70 days Daylength response sensitive Seedling vigor good

Processing features

Endosperm moderately vitreous Consistency tô good

Susceptibility

Diseases tolerant to downy mildew and smut Pests resistant to earworm Weeds susceptible to Striga

Performance

Potential yield 1.5 - 2.0 t/ha Farmer's yield 1.1 t/ha

Application

area with annual rainfall between 400 and 800 mm

Recommended practices

Soil preparation ridging at the start of the rainy season
Sowing optimum sowing period: 20 June - 10 July, sowing at 0.80 x 0.80 m (6 kg/ha), thinning at 2 plants per hole (31,250 pl/ha)
Fertilization 4 to 8 t/ha farm yard manure or 100 kg/ha ammonium phosphate at emergence, 50 kg/ha urea at heading
Precedent crops legumes or fallow