LOSSES IN PULSES CAUSED BY *Callosobruchus chinensis* linn.

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**Abstract:**

Pulse beetle, *C. chinensis* is the most destructive pest of pulses while in storage. Pulses are the rich source of protein for human and part of staple diet. Losses caused by *C. chinensis* vary depending upon variety of pulses, temp & humidity. In the present study too mung bean was noticed most susceptible against *C. chinensis*. Damage in red kidney bean were at par registering only 24 per cent losses. Present findings are in line with the earlier workers who noticed great variation in losses depending upon pulse verity. Least losses (16%) were noticed in Pigeon pea. The order of damage was Mung bean > Red kidney bean > Chickpea > Pigeon pea.