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Evaluation of tomato (Solanum Lycopersicum L.) hybrids for plant growth, fruit yield and quality in Prayagraj agro climate condition

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Abstract

An experiment on Tomato hybrids was carried out during December 2017 to April 2018 in Departmental Research Field of Department of Horticulture, Naini Agricultural Institute, Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, Prayagraj (U.P.) India. The results of the present investigation, regarding the evaluation of tomato for plant growth, fruit yield and quality of Tomato Hybrids, have been discussed and interpreted in the light of previous research work done in India and abroad. The experiment was conducted in Randomized block design with 25 Hybrids of Tomato obtained from different sources, were each hybrids replicated thrice. From the present experiments it is found that the Hybrid H₂₄ (Arka Rakshak) followed by H₇ (VNR - 3348) and H₂₃ (Kashi Hemant) is found best in terms of growth and yield parameters of Tomato hybrids and in terms of quality parameters Hybrid H₂₀ (Excel-204) is found best for most of the quality parameters, and lowest readings was recorded in Hybrid H₄ (Hybrid Taj), H₁₄ (Abhilash) and H₁₆ (NS - 585). H₂₄ (Arka Rakshak) also recorded maximum return/ha and Cost benefit ratio/ha. Hence the hybrids Arka Rakshak, VNR - 3348 and Kashi Hemant is recommended for cultivation in climatic condition of Prayagraj.

Keywords: Tomato, hybrids, growth, yield and quality

Introduction

The present Experiment was conducted in Randomized Block Design (RBD) with 25 Hybrid varieties of Tomato with three replications in the Research field of Department of Horticulture, Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, Prayagraj during December, 2017 to April, 2018. Total number of varieties were Twenty five.

Table 3.4: Details of Hybrids

S. No.	Symbol	Source of hybrid	Name of hybrid
1	H_1	Bayer	Lht-Angel
2	H_2	-	Lht-Anmol
3	H_3	-	Lht-1486
4	H_4	-	Hybrid Taj
5	H_5	-	Sampurana
6	H_6	-	Rakshak
7	H_7	Vnr	Vnr-3348
8	H_8	-	Nht-2802
9	H9	-	Bss-1004
10	H ₁₀	-	Chaitanya
11	H ₁₁	Indam	Indam-3001
12	H ₁₂	ı	Rishabh
13	H ₁₃	ı	To-3038
14	H ₁₄	ı	Abhilash
15	H ₁₅		Lucky-939
16	H ₁₆	ı	Ns-585
17	H ₁₇	Namdhari	Namdhari Seeds
18	H ₁₈	ı	Ns-524
19	H ₁₉	ı	Ns-5007
20	H ₂₀	Excel	Excel-204
21	H ₂₁		Roshan
22	H ₂₂	IIVR	Kashi Amrit
23	H ₂₃	•	Kashi Hemant
24	H ₂₄	IIHR	Arka Rakshak
25	H ₂₅	-	Arka Samrat

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Climatic condition in the experimental site

The area of Prayagraj district comes under subtropical belt in the south east of Utter Pradesh, which experience extremely hot summer and fairly cold winter. The maximum temperature of the location reaches up to 46° C- 48° C and seldom falls as low as 4°C- 5°C. The relative humidity ranges between 20 to 94 %. The average rainfall in this area is around 1013.4 mm annually. However, occasional precipitation is also not uncommon during winter months.

Results and discussion

The present investigation entitled "Evaluation of Tomato (Solanum Lycopersicum L.) Hybrids for plant growth, fruit yield and quality in Prayagraj agro climate condition" was carried out during December, 2017 to April 2018 in Research Field of Department of Horticulture, Naini Agricultural Institute, Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, Prayagraj (U.P.) India. The results of the present investigation, regarding evaluation of Tomato hybrids for plant growth, fruit yield and quality, have been discussed and interpreted in the light of previous research work done in India and abroad. The experiment was conducted in Randomized block design with 25 varieties, replicated thrice.

The results of the experiment are summarized below.

A. Growth Parameters

The maximum significant plant height at 120 DAS (55.373 cm) was recorded in Hybrid H_7 (VNR - 3348), followed by H_{17} (Namdhari Seeds) with (54.393 cm) plant height and minimum plant height (45.033 cm) was recorded in hybrid H_{18} (NS – 524).

The maximum significant plant Spread (cm²) at 120 DAS (5579.671 cm²) was found in hybrid H₇ (VNR - 3348), followed by H₂₀ (Excel - 204) with (5392.928 cm²) and minimum plant Spread cm² (4230.840 cm²) was recorded in hybrid H₂₂ (Kashi Amrit). The variability in plant height and Spread in different hybrids is due to the suitability of hybrids in climatic condition of Prayagraj and growth characters of hybrids of tomato, Variability in plant height and Plant spread at flowering and fruiting has also been obtained by Alam *et al.*, (2010) [1] from 115.9 cm to 139.5 cm, Ali *et al.*, (2012) [2] from 56.82 cm to 72.00 cm, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 48.33 cm to 153.63 cm, Sharma *et al.*, (2013) [11] from 57.9 cm to 162.39 cm, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [8] from 76 cm to 126 cm in hybrid tomatoes.

The maximum significant Number of Branches, at 30, 60, 90 and 120 days after transplanting (4.673, 7.707, 10.923 and 15.610) was found in hybrid H_{23} (Kashi Hemant), followed by H_{20} (Excel - 204) with (6.753, 7.790, 10.160 and 14.110) number of branches/plant and minimum Number of branches/plant (5.073, 6.007, 6.763 and 10.037) was recorded in hybrid H_{15} (Lucky - 939). Variability in number of branches in tomato hybrids is due to the suitability of particular hybrids in agro climatic conditions and high growth characters of hybrids, similar findings also reported by Alam *et al.*, (2010) [1] from 4.3 to 6.7, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [12] from 15.29 to 24.2 and Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 5.33 to 10.60.

The maximum Number of Leaves, at 120 DAS (24.027) was found in hybrid H_7 (VNR - 3348), followed by H_1 (LHT Angel) with (23.383) number of leaves/plant and minimum Number of leaves/plant (17.443) was recorded in hybrid H_{11} (INDAM - 3001).

The minimum Days to first flowering (30.043 days) was found in hybrid $\rm H_{24}$ (Arka Rakshak), followed by $\rm H_7$ (VNR – 3348) with (31.013 days) and maximum days to first flowering (45.780 days) was recorded in hybrid $\rm H_{16}$ (NS – 585). Variability in days to first flowering is due to the earliness of the tomato hybrids; similar findings also reported by Ali *et al.*, (2012) ^[2] from 42.00 to 56.00 DAS, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) ^[10] from 28.00 to 37.00 DAT, Singh *et al.*, (2013) ^[12] from 49.88 to 53.92 DAS and Said *et al.*, (2014) ^[7] from 29 to 41 DAS in tomato.

The minimum Days to 50% flowering (35.510 days) was found in hybrid H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), followed by H_7 (VNR - 3348) with (36.167 days) and maximum days to 50% flowering (50.647 days) was recorded in H_{16} (NS - 585). Variability in days to 50% flowering is due to the earliness of the tomato hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Ali *et al.*, (2012) [2] from 42.00 to 56.00 DAS, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 28.00 to 37.00 DAT, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [12] from 49.88 to 53.92 DAS and Said *et al.*, (2014) [7] from 29 to 41 DAS in tomato.

The minimum Days to first Fruiting (42.220 days) was found in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), closely followed by H_7 (VNR - 3348) and H_6 (Rakshak) with (43.020 and 43.927 days) respectively and maximum days to first Fruiting (57.713 days) was recorded in H_{16} (NS - 585). Variability in days to first fruiting of tomato hybrids is due to the early fruit settings and maturity of the tomato hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Alam *et al.*, (2010) [1] from 89 to 99 DAT and Sharma *et al.*, (2013) [11] from 62 to 82 DAT in tomato hybrids.

B. Yield and Yield attributing Parameters

The maximum Fruit length (6.167 cm) was found in hybrid H_8 (NHT - 2802), followed by H_{19} (NS - 5007) with (6.130 cm) and minimum fruit length (4.590 cm) was recorded in H_2 (LHT Anmol).

The maximum Fruit width (6.843 cm) was found in H_{23} (Kashi Hemant), followed by H_9 (BSS – 1004) with (6.680 cm) and minimum fruit width (5.007 cm) was recorded in H_5 (Sampurna).

The maximum Fruit diameter (15.917 cm) was found in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), followed by H_{21} (Roshan) with (14.803 cm) and minimum fruit diameter (11.913 cm) was recorded in H_{11} (INDAM - 3001). Variability in fruit length, width and diameter of tomato hybrids is due to the different shapes and sizes of tomato hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Ali *et al.*, (2012) [2] from 5.50 cm to 7.80 cm, Saleem *et al.*, (2013) [8] from 4.04 cm to 6.75 cm, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 3.00 cm to 6.10 cm and Said *et al.*, (2014) [7] from 3.9 cm to 6.5 cm.

The maximum Number of Fruits/Cluster (6.107) was found in hybrid Arka Rakshak, followed by Roshan with (5.587) and minimum fruit/cluster (3.050) was recorded in hybrid Abhilash. Variability in number of fruit/cluster of Tomato hybrids is due to the maximum number of fruit set/plant in a particular tomato hybrids similar findings previously also reported by Kurain *et al.*, (2001) ^[6] from 2.4 to 5.0, Sekhar *et al.*, (2009) ^[9] from 2.70 to 4.00, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) ^[10] from 2.33 to 6.50 and Cheema *et al.*, (2013) ^[3] from 2.00 to 4.50 in hybrid tomatoes.

The maximum Number of Fruits/Plant (44.553) was found in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), followed by H_7 (VNR - 3348) with (42.477) and minimum fruit/plant (24.320) was recorded in H_{20} (Excel - 204). Variability in Number of fruits/plant of tomato hybrids is due to the maximum fruit set%/plant of a

particular tomato hybrids and minimum fruit drop percent in different hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Sekhar *et al.*, (2009) ^[9] who noted variability in number of fruits per plant from 27.00 to 73.53, Singh *et al.*, (2013) ^[12] from 20.89 to 22.50, Saleem *et al.*, (2013) ^[8] from 48 to 95 and Cheema *et al.*, (2013) ^[3] from 7.50 to 32.00 in tomato hybrids and/or genotypes.

The maximum Average fruit weight (111.823 g) was found in H_8 (NHT -2802), followed by H_{24} (Arka Rakshak) with (99.867 g) and minimum average fruit weight (51.180 g) was recorded in H_4 (Hybrid Taj). Variability in average fruit weight is due to the different fruit size of tomato hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Sekhar *et al.*, (2009) ^[9] from 38.86 g to 67.14 g, Sharma *et al.*, (2013) ^[11] from 30.77 g to 77.80 g, Singh *et al.*, (2013) ^[12] from 65.00 g to 72.27 g, Cheema *et al.*, (2013) ^[3] from 30.00 g to 52.50 g, and Degade *et al.*, (2015) ^[4] from 16.80 g to 24.69 g in tomato hybrids. Said *et al.*, (2014) ^[7] from 23.0 g to 69.8 g in open pollinated tomato.

The maximum Yield/plant (3.010 kg) was found in hybrid H₂₄ (Arka Rakshak), followed by H₇ (VNR – 3348) with (2.817 Kg) and minimum Yield/plant (1.417 kg) was recorded in H₁₄ (Abhilash). Variability in fruit yield per plant in tomato hybrids is due to the maximum number fruit/plant and maximum average fruit weight of Tomato hybrids; similar findings previously also reported by Sharma *et al.*, (2013) [11] from 681.00 g to 1278.19 g, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [12] from 1000.36 g to 1000.63 g, Saleem *et al.*, (2013) [8] from 1000.93 g to 3000.72 g, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 1000 g to 3000.90 g.

The maximum Yield/plot (15.060 kg) was found in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), followed by H_7 (VNR - 3348) with (13.923 Kg) and minimum Yield/plot (8.803 kg) was recorded in H_{10} (Chaitanya). Variability in fruit yield per plot of tomato hybrids is due to the maximum fruit yield per plant of Tomato hybrid; similar findings previously also reported by Sharma *et al.*, (2013) [11] from 681.00 g to 1278.19 g, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [12] from 1000.36 g to 1000.63 g, Saleem *et al.*, (2013) [8] from 1000.93 g to 3000.72 g, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 1000 g to 3000.90 g.

The maximum Yield t/ha (60.240 tonnes) was found in $\rm H_{24}$ (Arka Rakshak), followed by $\rm H_7$ (VNR - 3348) with (56.987 tonnes) and minimum Yield/ha (39.520 tonnes) was recorded in $\rm H_{14}$ (Abhilash). Variability in fruit yield/ha in tomato hybrids is due to the maximum yield of tomato per plant and per hectare; similar findings previously also reported by Sharma *et al.*, (2013) [11] from 681.00 g to 1278.19 g, Singh *et al.*, (2013) [12] from 1000.36 g to 1000.63 g, Saleem *et al.*, (2013) [8] from 1000.93 g to 3000.72 g, Shankar *et al.*, (2013) [10] from 1000 g to 3000.90 g.

C. Quality Traits

The maximum Total Soluble Solids (°Brix) (6.073 °Brix) was found in H_{20} (Excel - 204), followed by H_{12} (Rishabh) with (5.967 °Brix) and minimum Total Soluble Solids (3.913 °Brix) was recorded in H_4 (Hybrid Taj). Variability in Total Soluble Solids in different hybrids of tomato is previously also reported by Singh *et al.*, (2014).

The maximum Ascorbic acid (mg/100 g) (26.900 mg) was found in H_{20} (Excel – 204), followed by H_{14} (Abhilash) with (26.633 mg) and minimum Ascorbic acid (22.880 mg) was recorded in H_1 (LHT Angle).

The minimum Acidity (%) (0.740 %) was found in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak), followed by H_{25} (Arka Samrat) with (0.760 %) and maximum Acidity (1.040 %) was recorded in H_4 (Hybrid Taj).

The fruit shape index was recorded high in H_{10} (Chaitanya) with (1.053) followed by H_4 (Hybrid taj) and H_{24} (Arka Rakshak) with (1.023) and minimum fruit shape index (0.887) was recorded in H_5 (Sampurna).

D. Economics

In terms of economics maximum Gross Return Rs. 481920.00, Net Return Rs. 390410.00 and Cost Benefit Ratio 1:5.26 was recorded in H_{24} (Arka Rakshak) Followed by H_{7} (VNR - 3348) with Gross Return Rs. 455896.00, Net Return Rs. 361386.00 and Cost Benefit Ratio 1:4.82 and minimum Gross Return Rs. 282344.00, Net Return Rs. 190034.00 and Cost Benefit Ratio 1:3.05 was recorded in H_{10} (Chaitanya).

Table 1: Evaluation of Tomato Hybrids for Plant Height (cm), Plant Spread (cm²) and Number of Branches/plant in Agro-climatic condition of Prayagraj.

Herbrid Cembal	Hybrid Nome	Plant Height (cm)					Plant Sp	read (cm	²)	Number of Branches/plant			
Hybrid Symbol	Hybrid Name	30 DAS	60 DAS	90 DAS	120 DAS	30 DAS	60 DAS	90 DAS	120 DAS	30 DAS	60 DAS	90 DAS	120 DAS
H_1	LHT-ANGEL	35.58	38.40	46.85	49.39	2,228.74	3,875.14	4,179.99	4,790.69	5.70	6.72	7.13	11.36
H_2	LHT-ANMOL	32.38	37.36	44.703	48.72	2,301.21	4,325.28	4,535.00	5,194.69	5.29	6.29	7.70	12.08
H ₃	LHT-1486	37.03	42.04	47.39				,	4,969.07	5.34	6.03	8.14	10.20
H4	HYBRID TAJ	35.18	45.64	49.71	52.74	2,282.26	3,957.17	4,177.99	4,928.52	5.70	6.70	7.30	11.32
H ₅	SAMPURANA	36.60	44.28	50.68	53.80	1,891.76	4,260.98	4,483.43	4,777.52	5.64	7.18	7.62	11.75
H ₆	RAKSHAK	38.71	42.70	49.44	51.29	1,970.90	4,282.97	4,699.58	5,515.07	7.01	7.47	7.89	12.35
H ₇	VNR-3348	40.09	43.50	48.51	55.37	2,415.61	4,830.33	5,129.27	5,579.671	6.60	7.03	8.26	12.97
H_8	NHT-2802	40.47	45.70	48.42	53.47	2,092.80	4,093.85	4,389.70	5,109.79	5.27	6.74	8.74	10.68
H9	BSS-1004	38.42	46.33	49.05	52.67	2,393.40	4,171.83	4,415.46	5,164.80	5.70	7.17	9.63	11.39
H_{10}	CHAITANYA	40.06	47.07	51.06	53.07	2,044.01	3,882.11	4,175.76	5,259.61	5.41	7.47	10.45	14.00
H_{11}	INDAM-3001	39.83	42.37	46.70					4,995.80	5.36	6.08	7.82	11.30
H_{12}	RISHABH	34.66	39.12	48.40	52.80	2,141.92	3,707.15	3,819.92	4,625.14	6.33	6.70	7.02	10.46
H_{13}	TO-3038	35.98	43.66	50.29	52.36	1,921.70	3,622.74	3,736.69	4,372.70	4.93	5.32	5.74	12.82
H_{14}	ABHILASH	36.66	42.75	50.12	53.56	2,226.73	4,082.11	4,193.11	4,903.42	5.40	7.33	7.86	12.10
H_{15}	LUCKY-939	32.66	42.37	51.34	54.07	2,037.01	3,973.67	4,113.52	4,851.70	5.07	6.00	6.76	10.03
H_{16}	NS-585	34.00	41.33	51.96	53.70	2,147.80	4,410.13	4,590.58	5,123.45	5.42	6.68	7.62	10.28
H_{17}	NAMDHARI SEEDS	39.66	46.33	50.70	54.39	2,192.45	4,384.77	4,539.09	5,112.22	5.81	7.47	9.22	12.44
H_{18}	NS-524	24.66	35.07	42.36	45.03	2,163.69	4,170.44	4,356.05	5,232.93	5.04	6.68	9.50	12.14
H ₁₉	NS-5007	33.00	39.65	45.06	49.70	2,041.48	4,105.02	4,393.68	4,763.90	4.70	6.33	10.06	11.67
H ₂₀	EXCEL-204	29.66	37.41	45.74	50.08	1,999.09	4,647.80	5,036.60	5,392.92	6.75	7.79	10.16	14.11
H ₂₁	ROSHAN	36.18	41.47	49.39	52.03	2,996.61	3,782.06	3,947.86	4,524.65	5.71	6.04	7.81	11.01

H ₂₂	KASHI AMRIT	32.03	39.31	45.72	46.80	2,110.71	3,827.96	3,925.94	4,230.84	5.36	6.36	9.66	11.76
H ₂₃	H ₂₃ KASHI HEMANT		39.55	45.89	47.06	2,199.31	4,095.01	4,464.30	5,034.64	4.67	7.70	10.92	15.61
H ₂₄	ARKA RAKSHAK	33.22	40.70	48.26	50.54	2,220.96	4,025.26	4,282.12	5,070.22	4.63	6.39	8.83	13.20
H ₂₅	ARKA SAMRAT	39.42	42.05	48.70	49.70	2,217.53	4,353.03	4,432.68	5,207.55	6.96	8.08	9.06	11.32
	F-Test			NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	S	NS	NS	NS	NS
	SE(d)			3.966	4.128	338.504	390.762	410.539	347.270	1.08	1.08	1.651	2.154
C.V.		11.558	10.720	10.065	9.851	18.972	11.638	11.583	8.525	23.69	19.53	23.961	22.097
C.D. at 5%		6.801	7.37	7.97	8.30	680.61	785.67	825.45	700.395	2.18	2.18	3.32	4.33

Table 2: Evaluation of Tomato Hybrids for Number of Leaves/plant, Days to first flowering, Days to 50% flowering, Days to first fruiting, Fruit length (cm), Fruit width (cm), Fruit diameter (cm) and Number of fruits/cluster in Agro-climatic condition of Prayagraj.

Hybrid		Number of Leaves/plant				Davig to Fingt	Days to 50%	Days to	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Number of
Symbol	Hybrid Name	30 DAS	60 DAS	90 DAS	120 DAS	Flowering	Flowering	First Fruiting	length (cm)	width (cm)	diameter (cm)	Fruit/Cluster
H_1	LHT-ANGEL	14.20	15.65	17.42	23.38	42.95	48.34	55.13	5.35	6.15	13.40	4.38
H_2	LHT-ANMOL	13.29	14.29	16.03	20.70	35.57	41.11	47.84	4.59	5.54	13.99	4.19
H_3	LHT-1486	12.75	13.36	15.30	19.66	38.20	44.48	51.10	4.94	5.33	14.33	4.27
H_4	HYBRID TAJ	13.64	14.37	16.96	21.19	33.35	38.48	45.53	5.28	5.68	13.62	4.45
H_5	SAMPURANA	12.74	16.02	18.07	21.45	34.97	40.45	46.81	5.11	5.00	12.97	4.40
H_6	RAKSHAK	15.98	16.08	17.43	22.72	36.94	41.88	43.92	5.51	5.84	13.09	4.08
H_7	VNR-3348	16.60	17.66	18.73	24.02	31.01	36.16	43.02	5.56	6.37	14.73	5.47
H_8	NHT-2802	13.41	14.12	16.21	18.34	32.27	39.02	46.20	6.16	6.21	12.89	4.85
H 9	BSS-1004	16.07	18.38	19.34	21.07	33.48	38.80	45.38	5.48	6.68	12.70	4.82
H_{10}	CHAITANYA	16.20	17.44	19.29	21.82	36.66	42.77	48.94	5.88	6.26	12.49	4.11
H ₁₁	INDAM-3001	12.66		15.37	17.44	35.35	41.36	48.02	5.06	5.96	11.91	5.17
H ₁₂	RISHABH	14.00	15.55	17.42	19.53	40.26	46.00	52.98	4.88	6.15	13.05	4.92
H ₁₃	TO-3038	13.00	13.94	14.83	19.06	40.32	46.60	52.49	5.01	5.98	12.34	3.73
H_{14}	ABHILASH	13.70	15.00	16.88	21.21	40.48	45.86	54.29	5.47	6.19	14.32	3.05
H ₁₅	LUCKY-939	15.10	16.08	16.98	19.48	45.47	48.71	55.95	5.81	6.16	13.48	4.89
H ₁₆	NS-585	16.47	17.22	17.78	20.21	45.78	50.64	57.71	5.60	6.46	12.11	4.61
H ₁₇	NAMDHARI SEEDS	15.36	16.34	18.04	22.25	42.94	47.99	55.15	5.14	6.20	12.34	5.30
H ₁₈	NS-524	14.89	16.74	18.50	21.74	37.83	43.16	50.68	5.45	6.35	13.23	4.33
H ₁₉	NS-5007	13.56	15.36	17.88	22.14	39.71	44.73	52.36	6.13	6.62	14.03	3.89
H ₂₀	EXCEL-204	17.36		18.08	23.12	36.25	42.67	49.81	4.82	5.12	12.20	4.07
H_{21}	ROSHAN	16.36	17.13	17.85	20.36	38.49	43.53	50.34	5.76	5.75	14.80	5.58
H_{22}	KASHI AMRIT	12.64	14.29	14.88	20.94	35.43	40.46	47.49	5.24	5.23	13.45	3.88
H ₂₃	KASHI HEMANT	14.07	15.40	16.27	19.79	37.03	41.70	49.24	5.54	6.84	12.99	4.63
H ₂₄	ARKA RAKSHAK	14.34	15.36	18.43	22.75	30.04	35.51	42.22	5.86	6.00	15.91	6.10
H ₂₅	ARKA SAMRAT	18.64	19.14	19.59	23.08	38.97	43.90	49.97	4.92	6.01	12.94	4.68
	F-Test	NS	NS	NS	NS	S	S	S	NS	NS	S	NS
	SE(d)	2.230	2.315	2.424	2.314	1.537	1.801	1.843	0.717	0.745	0.959	0.783
	C.V.	18.600	17.862		13.429		5.133	4.542	16.301	15.198	8.803	21.049
C	.D. at 5%	4.48	4.65	4.87	4.65	3.101	3.632	3.718	1.44	1.50	1.933	1.57

Table 3: Evaluation of Tomato Hybrids for Number of fruit/plant, Aveage fruit weight (g), Yield/plant (kg), Fruit yield t/ha, Total Soluble Solids (°Brix), Ascorbic acid (mg/100 g), Acidity (%), Fruit shape index and Benefit cost ratio in Agro-climatic condition of Prayagraj.

Hybrid Symbol	Hybrid Name	Number of Fruit/Plant	Average Fruit weight (g)	Yield/Plant (kg)	Fruit Yield/Plot (kg)	Fruit Yield t/ha	Total Soluble Solids (°Brix)	Ascorbic Acid (mg/100 g)	Acidity (%)	Fruit shape index	Benefit cost ratio
H_1	LHT-ANGEL	28.05	63.77	1.56	10.53	42.13	5.30	22.88	0.87	0.92	1:3.53
H_2	LHT-ANMOL	27.30	89.41	1.92	10.65	42.61	4.87	24.44	0.84	0.94	1:3.63
H 3	LHT-1486	29.11	79.15	2.29	11.92	47.70	5.24	24.92	0.82	0.94	1:4.10
H ₄	HYBRID TAJ	31.90	51.18	1.58	11.78	47.13	3.91	26.09	1.04	1.02	1:4.10
H5	SAMPURANA	28.74	53.34	1.90	10.72	42.99	5.56	25.33	0.81	0.88	1:3.39
H_6	RAKSHAK	34.89	77.10	2.43	11.78	47.08	4.90	26.37	0.91	0.99	1:3.72
H_7	VNR-3348	42.47	88.20	2.81	13.92	56.98	5.23	24.84	0.79	0.98	1:4.82
H_8	NHT-2802	31.96	111.82	2.29	12.68	50.74	5.60	25.26	0.81	0.91	1:4.38
H ₉	BSS-1004	31.44	71.93	2.48	12.90	51.62	4.97	25.68	0.82	0.94	1:4.20
H_{10}	CHAITANYA	29.30	66.83	2.50	8.80	35.29	5.53	23.34	0.87	1.05	1:3.05
H_{11}	INDAM-3001	35.41	62.75	2.27	13.87	55.48	4.78	24.97	0.85	0.94	1:4.55
H ₁₂	RISHABH	30.96	82.27	1.90	10.65	42.62	5.96	25.71	0.91	1.00	1:3.37
H ₁₃	TO-3038	30.59	74.26	2.40	10.38	41.52	5.40	25.52	0.90	0.99	1:3.54
H ₁₄	ABHILASH	27.17	64.61	1.41	9.88	39.52	5.80	26.63	0.95	0.95	1:3.37

H ₁₅	LUCKY-939	30.70	67.20	1.42	12.91	51.64	5.57	25.86	0.93	0.99	1:4.15
H ₁₆	NS-585	33.02	67.08	1.80	12.78	51.13	5.26	23.54	0.87	1.00	1:4.20
H ₁₇	NAMDHARI SEEDS	37.13	86.90	2.65	12.81	51.26	5.23	24.50	0.80	1.01	1:4.18
H_{18}	NS-524	28.76	85.89	2.68	11.27	45.09	5.13	25.23	0.78	0.98	1:3.86
H ₁₉	NS-5007	25.27	66.36	2.56	13.83	55.34	5.31	24.90	0.81	0.99	1:4.63
H_{20}	EXCEL-204	24.32	63.60	2.49	9.97	39.89	6.07	26.90	0.79	0.96	1:3.28
H_{21}	ROSHAN	33.88	76.12	2.35	9.33	37.33	5.81	26.05	0.85	0.91	1:3.11
H ₂₂	KASHI AMRIT	27.34	72.44	1.99	12.93	51.74	5.30	24.96	0.84	0.94	1:4.41
H ₂₃	KASHI HEMANT	29.34	96.92	2.71	14.24	55.69	5.66	25.66	0.87	0.97	1:4.79
H ₂₄	ARKA RAKSHAK	44.55	99.86	3.01	15.06	60.24	5.56	26.07	0.76	1.02	1:5.26
H ₂₅	ARKA SAMRAT	33.40	65.27	2.74	12.30	49.22	5.20	24.51	0.74	0.95	1:4.30
	F-Test	S	S	S	S	S	S	NS	S	NS	
	SE(d)	2.228	10.891	0.350	1.423	5.695	0.371	1.157	0.071	0.063	
	C.V.	8.667	17.696	19.064	14.619	14.627	8.518	5.621	10.206	7.981	
C	C.D. at 5%	4.494	21.965	0.706	2.869	11.486	0.748	2.33	0.143	0.13	

Conclusion

From the present experimental findings it is concluded that the Hybrid H_{24} (Arka Rakshak) followed by H_7 (VNR - 3348) and H_{23} (Kashi Hemant) is found best in terms of growth and yield parameters of Tomato hybrids and in terms of quality parameters Hybrid H_{20} (Excel - 204) is found best for most of the quality parameters, and lowest readings was recorded in Hybrid H_4 (Hybrid Taj), H_{14} (Abhilash) and H_{16} (NS - 585). H_{24} (Arka Rakshak) also recorded maximum return/ha and Cost benefit ratio/ha. Hence the hybrids Arka Rakshak, VNR – 3348 and Kashi Hemant is recommended for cultivation in climatic condition of Prayagraj.

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