

BOOK REVIEW

Nematode Biocontrol (Aspects and Prospects). Editors; **M.S. Jairajpuri, M.M. Alam & I. Ahmad**; CBS Publisher & Distributors Pvt. Ltd., Delhi-110032, India, pp. 152,

Nematode control is a joint author book edited by M.S. Jairajpuri, M.M. Alam & I. Ahmad. The book provides a brief introduction to the methods of nematode control including biological control. Information about different biocontrol agents like fungi, nematodes, bacteria, viruses, rickettsiae, tardigrades, turbellarians, collembolans, mites, enchytraeids and protozoans are beautifully summarized in different chapters. Attributes of a successful biocontrol agent are also discussed. A comprehensive family-wise account of different plants which showed antagonistic activity against plant parasitic nematodes is given with special emphasis on neem (*Azadirachta indica* L.) which has been dealt in detail in a separate chapter. The ability of different microorganisms like *Paecilomyces lilacinus*, *Arthrobotrys*, *Meria*, *Hirsutella*, *Pasteuria penetrans*, predatory nematodes, mononchida, diplogasterid, dorylaims and other soil invertebrates to control plant parasitic nematodes has been comprehensively reviewed. The book is an excellent attempt which gives a summary of information about the biocontrol of nematodes which could serve as a stimulus for further research in this field. Additional information about the methods of isolation and identification of biocontrol agents, preparation of inocula for their use in nematode biocontrol and some suggestions for future research priorities could have made this book more useful especially for the beginners.