

# SEED PRODUCTION IN CORCHORUS OLITORIUS

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## **Abstract**

Sixteen *Corchorus olitorius* accessions were field evaluated to provide basic information on seed production. Dry seed yields per plant ranged from 9.8g to 235.0g among 15 accessions grown during the dry season (November 1980-February 1981) in contrast to 2.6g produced by a commercial cultivar (oniyaya) in the previous rainy season (March -May 1980). An examination of the production conditions indicated that the dry season is a better period for seed production. The application of organic manure as well as wider between plant spacing than that intended for leaf production favour higher seed yields. Finally, the cost of seed production in relation to the value of seed production is discussed.