

Table 4. Economics of SOP foliar spray on banana.

Treatment	Treatment cost, Rs./ha	Total cost, Rs./ha	Total yield, kg/ha	Gross income, Rs./ha	Net income, Rs./ha
Control (Water)	0	90,000	32,400	129,600	39,600
0.5% SOP spray	930	90,930	34,590	138,360	47,430
1.0% SOP spray	1,380	91,380	37,890	151,560	60,180
1.5% SOP spray	1,830	91,830	42,810	171,240	79,410

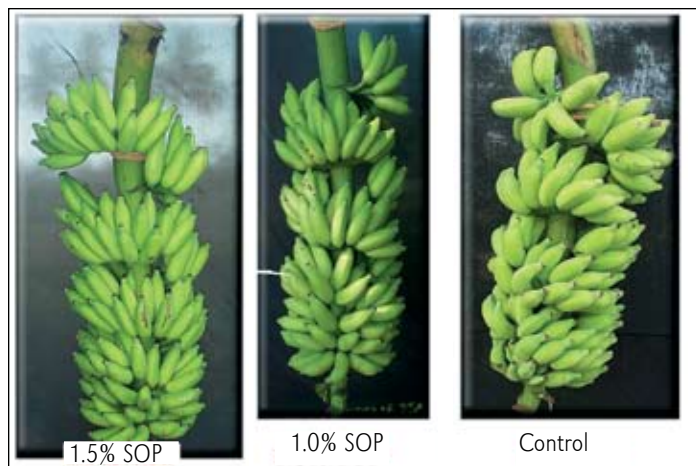
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profitable and doubled net income compared to the control. Yield, quality, and economic traits all suggest significant advantages from foliar spray application during the post-shoot growth stage. It is recommended to integrate similar foliar spray techniques into banana nutrition, besides supplying recommended rates of fertilizers at 3, 5, and 7 months after planting. **BC**

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