# PERFORMANCE OF SOME FLAX VARIETIES (*Linum usitatissimum* L.) UNDER DIFFERENT SOWING AND HARVISTING DATES.

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## ABSTRACT

Two field trials were carried out at EI- Gemmeiza Agricultural Research Station, Garbia Governorate, during the two successive seasons 2006/2007 and 2007/2008. The objectives of this research was aimed to study the performance of some flax varieties i.e. Sakha 2, Sakha 3, Sakha 4 and Giza 8 under different sowing dates on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> December and harvesting dates after 135, 150 and 165 days from sowing and their effects on straw yield and its component. The main findings could be summarized as follows.

Early sowing on 20<sup>th</sup> October significantly increased plant height, technical length and main stem diameter in the first season and straw yield/ plant, straw yield/ faddan in the second season, fiber yield/ faddan, fiber langth and fiber fineness in both seasons. Sowing flax on 10<sup>th</sup> November significantly increased straw yield/ plant and straw yield/ faddan in the first season compared with the other sowing dates. Sowing flax on 1<sup>st</sup> December significantly decreased all studied straw characters.

Delaying harvesting date to 150 days from sowing significantly increased straw yield/ plant, fiber yield/ plant, fiber yield/ faddan. Delaying harvesting date to 165 day from sowing significantly increased plant height, technical length, fiber length, straw yield/ faddan and fiber fineness.

Sakha 3 variety surpassed the other varieties in plant height, technical length in the first season, fiber yield faddan and fiber length. Sakha 4 variety gave the tallest technical length in the second season and fiber yield/ plant in both seasons. Sakha 2 and Giza 8 varieties surpassed the other varieties in the straw yield/ faddan. Giza 8 superior other varieties in main stem diameter in both seasons.

It could be concluded that sown Sakha 3 or Sakha 4 early when shown early on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting it after 165 days from sowing maximized straw/ fad and fiber fineness under the environmental conditions of Garbia Governorate.

# INTRODUCTION

Flax (*linum usitatissimum*, L.) is still a major baste fiber crops in Egypt. It is known as long as pharaoh civilization and it is grown in large scale around the world. In northern region, it is grown as a fiber crop, in southern ones and cultivated as Mediterranean sea region. It is grown as a dual purpose crop for either fibers extracting from stems by retting after soaking in water.

In Egypt during the last few years, by releasing new varieties characterized by high yield ability and best quality in addition to improve different agricultural practices for this crop. With respect varietal differences, Abdel-Fatah (1994) and Kineber (1994) showed that straw yields as well as its components differed significantly among flax varieties, El- Kady (1995)

reported that varieties differed significantly in all straw characters of flax El-Deeb and Abdel-Fatah (2006) showed that genotypes differed significantly in plant highet, technical length, straw yield/ faddan and fiber yield/ faddan.

According to sowing date, Salama (1996) reported that early planting date on 15<sup>th</sup> November significantly increased technical length, straw yield than the late planting date on first December, El-Deeb and Abdel-Fatah (2006) showed that early planting on 10<sup>th</sup> November significantly increased technical length, straw yield than the late planting date the first December Abd El Daiem (2009) reported that sowing date 10<sup>th</sup> November gave the highest straw yield, plant height, technical length, fiber length, straw yield/faddan and fiber fineness.

Harvesting date play a great role in fiber length and quality of flax as well as straw yield. In this respect, Mostafa (1990) reported that there was a continuous increase in straw yield as well as its components with delaying harvesting date from 130 to 170 days after sowing, except straw yield/ plant, which decreased significantly with delaying harvesting date to 170 days after sowing. Mohamed *et al.*(1998) showed that sowing on 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. and harvesting after 160 days from sowing was the suitable date to produce highest straw yield, El-Deeb and Abdel-Fatah (2006) showed that there was a continuous increase in straw yield as well as its components with delaying harvesting date from 130 to 165 days from sowing, except straw yield/ plant, which decreased significantly with delaying harvesting date.

The main objective of this work is aimed to determine the effect of sowing and harvesting dates on growth, yield and quality of four flax varieties i.e., Sakha 2, Sakha 3, Sakha 4 and Giza 8 under the environmental condition of Gahrpia district.

# MATRIALS AND METHODS

The present investigation was carried out at EI- Gemmeiza agricultural research station, Agric .Res. Center, Gharbia Governorate, Egypt, during the two successive seasons of 2006/ 007 and 2007/ 008. The objectives of this research was aimed to study the effect of sowing and harvesting dates on yield and its components of some flax (*linum usitatismum*, L.) varieties i.e. Sakha 2, Sakha 3, Sakha 4 and Giza 8.

Three tested sowing dates on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 10<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December were conducted in separate split plot design with three replications for each sowing date. The main plot was devoted to the three harvesting dates at 135,150 and 165 days after sowing as shown in Table 1 The sub plots were assigned to the following four varieties Sakha 2, Sakha 3, Sakha 4 and Giza 8. The time of harvesting at the three studied sowing date are shown in Table 2.

Souring data		Harvesting dates									
Sowing date	after 135 days	after 150 days	after 165 days								
20 <sup>th</sup> October	March 5	March 25	April 5								
10 <sup>th</sup> November	March 25	April 10	April 25								
1 <sup>st</sup> December	્રApril 15	May 1	May 15								

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varieties	Source
Sakha 2	Hera × 1.123
Sakha 3	(Belinka (2E) × 1.2096)
Sakha 4	(Belinka (R3) ×1.2569
Giza 8	(Giza6 × Senta Catalina

The pedigrees of the studied flax are varieties are listed in Table 2

At each harvesting dates, ten guarded plants were taken at random from each sub- plot to be used in recording the straw yield component characters of flax. Flax yield for straw yield per faddan were recorded on the whole sub plot area basis the following straw yield and its components was determined.

1-Total plant height (cm). The length of main stem in cm from cotyledonary node to the to top of plant.

2-Technical stem length(cm). The length of main stem in cm from cotyledonary node to the lowest branching zone.

3- Main stem dimater (mm)

4- Straw yield /plant.(gm). 6-Fiber yield plant (gm).

5-Straw yield /faddan (ton). 7-Fiber yield faddan (Kg).

8 Fiber fineness (Nm).

9- Fiber length(cm).

The obtained date for each planting date was statistically analysis separately by technique of analysis of variance thereafter , combined analysis for collected data of all sowing dates in both seasons were subjected to the statistical analysis according to the procedures outlined by Gomaz and Gomaz (1984). The treatment means were compared using the Newly Least Significant Difference (NLSD) test which developed by Waller and Dunckan (1969).

# **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

#### Sowing date effects.

Results of straw yield and elated characters for the three sowing dates results showed, had significant affected as shown in Tables 3and 4. The results showed that plant height, technical length, main stem diameter, straw yield/ plant, fiber yield/ plant, straw yield faddan, fiber yield faddan, fiber length, and fiber fineness significantly affected by sowing dates. Sown on 10<sup>th</sup> November came in the second ranke on straw yield/ plant and straw yield/ faddan in the first season only. The highest values in all straw characters were obtained with the early sowing date may be attributed to the suitable climate conditions i.e. the more favorable temperature, day length and the longer duration of the growth period. These results are in harmony with those obtained by Abou-Zaied(1991), Salam (1996), El-Deeb and Abdel-Fatah (2006) and Abd El Daiem (2009).

# Harvesting date effects.

With respect to the effect of straw yield and its components, results in Tables 3 and 4 indicated that there were significant differences among the three harvesting dates on plant height, technical length, main stem diameter,

straw yield per plant, fiber yield/ fad, fiber length and fiber fineness in both seasons, fiber yield/ plant and straw yield/ fad in the second season only. The harvesting date after i.e. 165 days from sowing gave the tallest plants and technical length, fiber length and fiber fineness in both seasons. The highest values in stem dimater were recorded from early sowing after 135 days from sowing. These results are mainly due to the fact that plants did not reach their physiological maturity till 165 days from sowing and plants continued to increase in height consistently from 135 to 165 days old. These results are in agreement with those obtained by Sahsah *et al.* (1987), Shafshak *et al.* (1992), Esmail and Morsy (1996), El-Sweify *et al.* (1996), Mohamed *et al.* (1998), El-Deeb(1998), Amna *et al.* (2003) and El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006).

Table (3): Means of plant height, technical length, main stem diameter and straw yield/ plant affected by sowing , harvesting dates and four varieties during both seasons.

and four varieties during both seasons.												
Characters	Plant hei	aht (cm)		al length			Straw yi					
				m)	diamete		plant					
Treatment	Seas		Seas		Seas		Seasons					
meatment	2006/07	2007/08	2006/07	2007/08	2006/07	2007/08	2006/07	2007/08				
			Sowing	) dates (A	N)							
20 <sup>th</sup> October	94.4	98.3	82.8	88.5	2.30	1.56	1.29	1.05				
10 <sup>th</sup> November	87.0	90.0	75.3	79.5	2.28	1.60	1.46	0.90				
1 <sup>st</sup> December	65.8	79.0	52.5	71.1	1.93	1.98	1.04	0.76				
F test	**	**	**	**	*	*	**	**				
NLSD 0.05	0.6	0.8	0.7	1.6	0.10	0.07	0.07	0.04				
NLSD 0.01	0.8	1.1	1.0	2.2	-	-	0.95	0.05				
			Harvesti	ng dates	(B)							
After 135 days	81.9	84.6	69.2	75.7	2.36	1.84	1.42	0.82				
After 150days	81.9	89.9	69.9	81.2	2.17	1.76	1.25	1.03				
After 165 days	83.3	92.9	72.4	82.2	1.87	1.55	1.13	0.86				
F test	*	**	**	**	*	**	*	**				
NLSD 0.05	0.7	0.8	0.7	1.7	0.10	0.08	0.07	0.04				
NLSD 0.01	-	1.1	1.1	2.4	-	0.11	-	0.06				
			Veri	ties (C)								
Sakha 2	83.9	87.7	71.1	76.5	2.14	1.75	1.40	0.91				
Sakha 3	84.0	89.4	72.2	80.2	2.17	1.73	1.12	0.83				
Sakha 4	81.1	90.6	70.6	82.3	2.05	1.65	1.00	0.82				
Giza 8	80.4	88.8	66.9	79.7	2.31	1.76	1.54	1.04				
F test	**	NS	*	*	*	NS	**	*				
NLSD 0.05	0.8	-	1.58	2.1	0.12	-	0.05	0.05				
NLSD 0.01	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	0.07	-				
			Interact	tion F- te	st							
АХВ	**	NS	*	NS	*	**	**	**				
A XC	**	NS	**	**	*	**	**	**				
B XC	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	**				
AX B X C	*	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	*	**				

## Performance of varieties.

Results presented in Tables 3 and 4 indicated that mean of the four studied varieties i.e. Sakha 2, Sakha 3, Sakha 4 and Giza 8 were significantly differed in plant height, main stem diameter and fiber length only in the first season, technical length, straw yield/ plant and faddan, fiber yield/ faddan

and fiber fineness in both seasons. Sakha 3 variety ranked the first and reached maximum in plant height and fiber length in the first season only. Sakha 4 varieties ranked the first and reached maximum in technical length in the second only, Sakha 2 and Giza 8 varieties recorded maximum straw yield/ faddan in both seasons. The present results are mainly due to differences in the genetically structure of the varieties under study. These results are in harmony with those obtained by Abou-Zaied(1991), Mohamed *et al.* (1998), El-Shimy and Moawed (2000), El-Gazzar and Abou Zaied(2001), Mostafa and Ashmawy (2003), El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006) and Abd El Daiem, (2009).

Table (4): Means of straw yield/ fad (kg), fiber yield / plant (gm), fiber yield/ faddan (kg), fiber fineness (Nm) and fiber length (cm) as affected by sowing, harvesting dates of some flax varieties during both seasons.

varieties during both seasons. Straw yield Fiber yield gm/ Fiber yield Fiber length Fiber fineness													
Characters			yield				neness						
	ton			ant		fad		m)	(Nm)				
Treatment	Seas	sons	Seas	sons	Seas	sons	Seas	sons	Seasons				
Sowing dates (A)	2006/ 07	2007/ 08	2006/ 07	2007/ 08	2006/ 07 2007/ 08		2006/07	2007/08	2006/ 07	2007/ 08			
	Sowing dates (A)												
20 <sup>th</sup> October	3.161	3.039	0.22	0.16	487.0	514.0	74.7	78.0	273.8	274.4			
10 <sup>th</sup> November	3.206	2.492	0.23	0.15	392.1	413.0	65.0	68.9	259.9	262.3			
1 <sup>st</sup> December	1.408	1.305	0.15	0.12	213.4	194.6	44.1	62.4	234.6	232.0			
F test	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**			
NLSD 0.05	0.040	0.010	0.02	0.01	5.4	4.6	1.4	0.7	3.9	1.1			
NLSD 0.01	0.050	0.020	0.03	0.02	7.3	6.2	1.9	1.0	5.3	1.5			
	Harvesting dates (B)												
After 135 days	2.613	1.685	0.21	0.11	356.9	311.3	59.8	65.3	248.7	249.0			
After 150days	2.591	2.540	0.19	0.16	386.8	411.7	60.2	70.8	257.8	257.6			
After 165days	2.570	2.606	0.20	0.14	348.7	398.5	63.7	73.3	261.9	262.0			
F test	NS	**	NS	*	**	**	**	*	**	**			
NLSD 0.05	-	0.010	-	0.01	5.4	4.6	1.5	0.7	4.4	1.1			
NLSD 0.01	-	0.020	-	-	7.3	6.2	2.2	-	6.3	1.5			
				Varie	ties (C)								
Sakha 2	2.889	2.463	0.19	0.12	385.6	335.4	60.5	63.1	239.3	239.3			
Sakha 3	2.238	2.054	0.21	0.15	363.2	414.8	64.9	71.2	324.4	322.0			
Sakha 4	2.351	1.933	0.19	0.153	361.6	369.3	63.4	75.6	317.9	320.6			
Giz 8	2.888	2.664	0.20	0.14	346.2	375.8	56.3	69.2	142.9	143.0			
F test	**	**	NS	*	**	**	**	**	**	**			
NLSD 0.05	0.040	0.020	-	0.01	6.9	4.7	1.8	1.1	4.5	1.5			
NLSD 0.01	0.050	0.030	-	-	9.2	6.2	2.4	1.5	6.0	2.0			
					ion F- te								
АХВ	**	**	NS	*	**	**	NS	NS	*	**			
A XC	**	**	**	**	**	**	*	**	**	**			
В ХС	**	**	NS	**	**	*	NS	NS	NS	NS			
AX B X C	**	**	**	**	**	**	NS	NS	*	**			

#### Effect of interactions:

The interactions between sowing and harvesting dates significantly affected straw yield only in the first season as presented in Table 5. The highest technical length was obtained from sowing on 20<sup>th</sup> October and

harvesting after 165 days from planting in the first season. The highest stem diameter values were obtained from early sowing flax on 20<sup>th</sup> October or 10<sup>th</sup> November and harvesting early after 135 days from sowing in both seasons. These results are in harmony with those obtained by Eassan *et al.*(1992) Mohamed *et al.* (1998) and El-Deeb and Abdel-Fatah (2006).

Results in Table 6 showed the interaction between sowing dates and studied varieties. The tallest technical length was obtained from sown Sakha 3, Sakha 2 and Sakha 4 varieties in both season. The highest main stem diameter values were obtained from sown Giza 8 on 10<sup>th</sup> November or 1<sup>st</sup> December in the first and the second seasons, respectively. The highest fiber length was obtained from sown Sakha 4 or Sakha 3 on 20<sup>th</sup> October in the second season without significantly differences between them. These results are in harmony with those obtained by El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006) and Abd El Daiem, (2009).

Results in Table 7 showed the interaction between harvesting dates and studied varieties .The results clearly showed that technical length significantly affected by this interaction in both seasons. The highest technical length was obtained from harvesting for all studied varieties after 165 days from sowing without significantly differences between them. These results are in harmony with those obtained by Mostafa(1999), El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006), Bozkurt and Kurt (2007) and Abd El Daiem, (2009).

The interaction between sowing and harvesting dates of the studied flax varieties significantly affected plant height, straw yield/ plant and faddan as presented in Table 8. The tallest plants were obtained by sowing flax Sakha 3 or Giza 8 varieties on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 150 or 165 days from sowing, respectively without significantly differences between them in the first season. The heights straw yield/ faddan was obtained from sowing Giza 8 variety on 10<sup>th</sup> November and harvesting after 135 or 150 days from sowing in the first season. However, Giza 8 variety varieties when sown on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 135 days from sowing in the second season. Heights straw yield/ faddan was obtained by Sakha 2 or Giza 8 varieties on 10<sup>th</sup> November and harvesting after 135 days from sowing in the first season, and by sowing Giza 8 variety on 20<sup>th</sup>October and harvesting after 165 days from sowing in the second season. These results are in harmony with those obtained by Mohamed *et al.* (1998), Jankauskien *et al.* (2001) and El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006).

Results in Table 9 clearly showed that heights fiber yield/ plant was obtained by sowing Sakha 3 variety on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 135 days from sowing in the first season. The height fiber yield/ plant was obtained by sowing flax Sakha 3 or Sakha 4 varieties on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after150 days from sowing in the first season. The heights fiber yield/ faddan was produced from sowing Sakha 3 or Sakha 4 varieties on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 150 days from sowing in the first season, while the highest fiber yield/ faddan was obtained by sowing Sakha 3 variety on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 165 days from sowing in the second season. These results are in agreement with those obtained by EI-Deeb and Abd- EI Fatah (2006).

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Results in Table10 clearly showed that the highest fiber fineness was obtained by sowing Sakha 3 or Sakha 4 varieties on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 165 days from sowing in both seasons. These results are in harmony with those obtained by El-Deeb and Abdel-fatah (2006).

ha	rvestin	g dates	s durin	g 2006	5/ 2007	and 20	07/ 200	08 seas	sons.		
Characters	Techni	cal leng	th (cm)	Main stem diameter(mm)							
Treatments	20	006 / 20	07	20	006 / 20	07	2	007/ 200	)8		
Harvesting	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>		
dates	Oct	Nov	Dec	Oct	Nov	Dec	Oct	Nov	Dec		
After 135 days	81.9	71.9	53.9	2.61	2.56	1.90	1.88	1.91	1.77		
After 150 days	82.8	75.5	48.9	2.36	2.22	1.92	1.59	1.60	2.06		
After 165 days	83.8	78.6	54.8	1.92	2.04	1.96	1.21 1.28 2.1				
F test		*			*		**				
NLSD 5%		1.3			0.18			0.14			
NLSD 1%		-			-		0.20				

#### Table (5): Means of technical length, main stem diameter (mm) and fiber length(cm) as affected by the interaction between sowing × harvesting dates during 2006/ 2007 and 2007/ 2008 seasons

Table (6): Means of technical length, main stem diameter (mm) and fiber
length (cm) as affected by the interaction between sowing
dates x varieties during 2006/ 2007 and 2007/ 2008 seasons

Characters	Te	chni	cal le	engt	h (Cı	m)	Ма	ain st	tem o	diame	eter(m	m)	Fiber length(cm)					
Treatments	200	06 / 2	007	200	)7/20	800	200	6 / 2	007	20	07 / 20	08	200	)6/20	007	200	800	
Varieties	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Oct	Nov	Dec															
Sakha 2	83.2	73.9	56.3	79.8	80.1	69.5	2.40	2.18	1.86	1.66	1.60	1.99	72.9	62.5	46.3	65.5	65.8	57.9
Sakha 3	86.8	78.6	51.2	89.4	80.8	70.5	2.33	2.13	2.06	1.85	1.36	1.98	80.7	68.1	45.9	80.8	71.3	61.6
												1.89						
Giza 8	77.1	72.7	51.0	92.1	74.8	72.4	2.30	2.61	2.00	1.37	1.76	2.06	66.3	63.6	48.9	79.4	63.6	64.5
F test		**			**	•	*		**		** *		*		**		•	
NLSD 5%		3.4			3.7			0.22		0.20		0.20 4.3			2.1			
NLSD 1%		4.2			5.0		-			0.30			0.30 -			2.8		

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Charact	ers			Fiber fine	ness (NM)					
Treatments		Sowing	dates/ 20	06/2007	Sowing dates/ 2007/2008					
Harvesting dat	Varieties	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov		1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec			
	Sakha 2	239.2	224.4	214.9	237.3	223.7	215.6			
After 125 days	Sakha 3	335.9	311.3	304.6	335.7	316.4	302.8			
After 135 days	Sakha 4	313.8	308.6	313.6	315.0	307.1	315.6			
	Giza 8	151.6	162.5	103.6	152.3	162.5	103.9			
	Sakha 2	246.6	264.0	215.3	256.1	267.5	213.0			
After 150 days	Sakha 3	354.1	310.7	307.9	337.2	312.4	306.6			
After 150 days	Sakha 4	335.7 315.7		313.6	336.4	311.7	313.6			
	Giza 8	154.9	169.6	105.1	157.9	177.5	101.8			
	Sakha 2	266.5	267.9	215.4	273.4	261.9	205.4			
After 165 days	Sakha 3	363.7	324.4	306.8	363.2	322.6	301.2			
Aller 105 days	Sakha 4	362.0	285.3	312.3	361.2	319.2	305.0			
	Giza 8	162.0	173.8	102.6	167.3	164.9	99.3			
F Test			*		**					
NLSD 0.05			19.8		5.1					
NLSD 0.05			-			6.9				

Table (10): Means of fiber fineness (Nm) as affected by the interaction between sowing dates varieties during 2006/2007 and 2007/ 2008 seasons.

#### Conclusion:

It Could be concluded that sowing flax Sakha 3 or Sakha 4 varieties on 20<sup>th</sup> October and harvesting after 150 or 165 days maximizing straw yield and fiber yield and its components

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سلوك بعض أصناف الكتان تحت تأثير مواعيد الزراعة و الحصاد المختلفة احمد أبو النجا قنديل ُ،عبد الرحيم عبد الرحيم ليلة ٌ، طه عبد المنعم ابو زيد ُ ٌ و هبه عبدالحليم تركي ُ ُ \* قسم المحاصيل - كلية الزراعة - جامعة المنصورة . \*\* قسم محاصيل الألياف - مركز البحوث الزراعية.

أقيمت تجربتان حقليتان بمحطة البحوث الزراعية بالجميزة – محافظة الغربية خلال الموسمين الزراعيين ٢٠٠٦/٢٠٠٦ و ٢٠٠٧/ ٢٠٠٢ و تهدف هذه الدراسة إلى دراسة تأثير ثلاثة مواعيد للزراعة (٢٠ أكتوبر و ١٠نوفمبر و الأول من ديسمبر) و ثلاثة مواعيد الحصاد (الحصاد بعد ١٣٥ و ١٥٠ و ١٥٠ يوم من الزراعة) على محصول القش ومكوناته وجودة الألياف لأربعة أصناف من الكتان (سخا ٢ و سخا ٣ و سخا ٤ و جيزة ٨).

ويمكن تلخيص أهم النتائج التي تم التوصل إليها كما يلي:-

- ١ أشارت النتائج أن لمواعيد الزراعة تأثيرا معنويا على جميع الصفات تحت الدراسة وان الزراعة في ٢٠ أكتوبر أدت إلى زيادة معنوية في الصفات الطول الكلى والطول الفعال و محصول القش للفدان وطول الألياف و وزن ليفه النبات وزن ليفه الفدان ونعومة الألياف بينما أدت الزراعة في الميعاد الأخير وهو الأول من ديسمبر إلى نقص معنوي في كل الصفات المدروسة.
- ٢- أوضحت النتائج أن لمواعيد الحصاد تأثيرا معنويا على جميع لصفات المدروسة ويختلف ميعاد الحصاد الأمثل باختلاف مواعيد الزراعة فعند الزراعة في الميعاد المبكر وهو ٢٠ أكتوبر و١٠ نوفمبر كان انسب ميعاد للحصاد هو ١٦٥ يوم من الزراعة.
- ٣-أظهرت النتائج أن الأصناف تحت الدراسة تختلف معنويا في كل الصفات المدروسة وأوضحت النتائج وتفوق الصنفين سخا و جيزة ٨ في محصول القش للفدان.
- ٤- أظهرت النتائج أن للتفاعل بين مواعيد الزراعة ومواعيد الحصاد والأصناف تأثيرا معنويا في معظم الصفات التالية الطول الكلى و وزن قش النبات و وزن قش للفدان و وزن الالياف النبات و وزن الالياف الفدان ونعومة الألياف.

توصى هذه الدراسة بزراعة صنف سخا ٣ أو سخا ٤ في ٢٠ أكتوبر والحصاد بعد ١٦٥ يوم من الزراعة للحصول على أعلى إنتاجية من محصول القش بوحدة المساحة تحت ظروف الأراضي بمحافظة الغربية

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	Charac	ters	Plan	t height	(cm)		Stra	w yield	gm/ pla	int			Straw yield ton/ faddan				
	Treatm	ents	Sowing dates 2006/ 2007			Sowing dates 2006/2007				ving da 007/20		Sowing dates/ 2006/2007				tes/ 8	
Harvesting dates Varieties		Varieties	20''' Oct	10''' Nov	1⁵' Dec	20''' Oct			20''' Oct	10''' Nov	1⁵' Dec	20''' Oct	10''' Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	20"'Oc t	10''' Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec
		Sakha 2	92.8	84.7	71.4	1.57	2.08	1.02	1.47	0.99	0.72	2.980	3.803	1.700	2.770	1.343	1.307
After	135	Sakha 3	95.2	86.9	71.1	1.70	1.48	0.92	0.56	0.66	0.49	2.687	2.800	1.610	2.720	1.097	0.840
days		Sakha 4	92.9	82.3	68.4	1.14	1.26	0.95	0.57	0.59	0.38	2.967	2.710	1.633	2.210	1.227	0.947
		Giza 8	91.7	81.5	64.6	1.51	2.32	1.07	1.56	1.27	0.62	3.067	3.513	1.890	2.740	1.410	1.610
		Sakha 2	92.8	88.0	72.7	1.50	1.47	1.07	1.09	0.68	0.84	3.747	3.477	1.643	2.867	3.360	2.217
After	150	Sakha 3	96.6	89.0	65.2	1.10	1.07	0.95	1.31	0.94	1.08	2.763	2.700	0.653	2.677	2.637	1.073
days	Γ	Sakha 4	94.5	88.2	57.6	1.07	1.01	0.96	1.35	1.31	0.70	3.207	2.763	1.143	2.590	2.797	0.980
	Γ	Giza 8	94.5	84.2	59.3	1.24	2.09	1.45	1.43	0.91	0.70	3.603	3.570	1.820	3.313	3.687	2.350
		Sakha 2	94.6	90.1	69.0	1.22	1.33	1.31	0.81	0.67	0.96	3.537	3.780	1.330	3.617	3.407	1.283
After	165	Sakha 3	95.9	91.3	64.3	0.95	1.00	0.93	0.81	0.96	0.70	2.870	2.030	1.027	3.663	2.823	0.957
days	Γ	Sakha 4	94.2	91.6	60.2	0.94	0.84	0.82	0.71	0.94	0.80	2.870	2.773	1.097	3.127	2.753	0.770
	Γ	Giza 8	96.5	85.9	65.5	1.51	1.64	1.04	0.93	0.89	1.06	3.637	3.550	1.343	4.177	3.360	1.330
F Tes	st			*			*			**		-	**		**		
NLSE	0.05			3.4		0.25			0.18			0.152			0.090		
NLSE	0.01			-			-			0.23			0.199			0.119	

Table (8): Means of plant height (cm), straw yield/ plant, straw yield/ faddan as affected by the interaction between sowing dates, harvesting dates and varieties during both seasons.

Table (9): Means of fiber yield/ plant(gm) and fiber yield/ faddan(kg) as affected by the interaction between sowing dates, harvesting dates and varieties during both seasons.

Character	S		F	iber yield	gm / plar	nt			Fi	ber yield	kg/ fadda	n	
Treatments		Sowing dates/ 2006/2007			Sowing	Sowing dates/ 2007/2008			dates/ 20	06/2007	Sowing dates/ 2007/2008		
Harvesting dates	Varieties	20" Oct	10" Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10" Nov	1 <sup>®</sup> Dec	20" Oct	10" Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	20 <sup>ur</sup> Oct	10''' Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec
	Sakha 2	0.18	0.20	0.15	0.12	0.09	0.10	441.6	421.6	219.1	436.3	201.0	167.0
After 135 days	Sakha 3	0.33	0.19	0.19	0.10	0.13	0.08	328.0	351.4	343.9	595.0	298.8	161.4
	Sakha 4	0.23	0.27	0.14	0.11	0.11	0.11	402.4	396.3	321.2	501.5	245.3	176.0
	Giza 8	0.21	0.28	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.09	428.5	390.2	238.6	536.2	201.1	216.0
	Sakha 2	0.22	0.15	0.17	0.15	0.13	0.12	562.9	438.0	232.6	403.8	461.1	266.8
After 150 days	Sakha 3	0.17	0.25	0.16	0.23	0.19	0.17	570.8	441.7	206.2	492.8	605.6	238.0
	Sakha 4	0.13	0.27	0.18	0.24	0.17	0.11	559.3	394.4	176.9	477.8	555.0	172.9
	Giza 8	0.27	0.19	0.11	0.19	0.15	0.10	528.2	323.8	207.0	456.0	513.5	296.7
	Sakha 2	0.27	0.24	0.14	0.13	0.10	0.11	539.8	440.3	174.4	484.30	435.9	163.0
After 165 days	Sakha 3	0.19	0.24	0.14	0.14	0.17	0.13	507.7	361.5	157.6	664.9	509.0	167.5
	Sakha 4	0.16	0.22	0.15	0.13	0.21	0.16	506.2	361.7	135.7	565.0	497.2	133.2
	Giza 8	0.26	0.26	0.12	0.17	0.16	0.14	468.6	383.8	147.4	554.1	431.9	176.3
F Test			**			**			**		**		
NLSD5%	ILSD5%		0.07			0.03			20.8		15.1		
NLSD 1%	NLSD 1%					0.04			27.5			19.9	