



Plate S1. Pineapple-pepper-cowpea intercrop with cowpea sown at the time of transplanting pepper:- Annotation with dotted line indicated relative stage of pepper development 3 weeks after sowing the cowpea



Plate S2. Pineapple-pepper inter crop at 5 weeks after transplanting pepper with cowpea yet to be introduced



Plate S3. Pineapple-pepper-cowpea intercrop with cowpea sown at 3 WAT:- stages of development at 5 weeks after transplanting pepper with 2 weeks old cowpea



Plate S4. Pineapple-pepper-cowpea intercrop with cowpea sown at 3 WAT:- stages of development at 7 weeks after transplanting pepper with 4 weeks old cowpea



Plate S5. Pineapple-pepper-intercrop with cowpea sown at 3 WAT:- showing stages of development at 5 weeks, 4 days after sowing cowpea, cowpea is slightly above or almost same level with pepper. Little shading observed and fruiting of pepper started at this stage



Plate S6. Pineapple-pepper-cowpea intercrop with cowpea sown at 9 WAT:- 4 Weeks after sowing cowpea pepper fruiting heavily



Plate S7. Pineapple-pepper-cowpea intercrop with cowpea sown at 9 WAT:- showing stages of development 7 weeks after sowing cowpea, ripening of pepper observed and little spreading of cowpea



Plate S8. Pineapple-pepper intercrop with no cowpea introduced in the treatment