

# Sugarbean production tips

Farmers with a crop that is at the flowering stage or approaching the flowering stage of production should regularly scout their field to make sure that they come in with remedial measures before the economic threshold levels or injury levels have been reached.

Scouting ensures that problems like leaf rust and pest insects do not make it to the field as they will lead to a reduction in yield. Farmers should scout to make sure that the insect pests do not make it to the field, and if they do, it does not go out of hand. The farmer through scouting is able to come in with remedial issues and guard their yield.

## **Insect pests**

Insect pests that infest sugar beans during the flowering stage include the flower beetle or the semi looper worm. Insect pests pose a huge challenge because they will consume the foliage. This will result in a reduction in the pod size, the pod filling, as well as the yield of the sugar beans. Scouting ensures that insect pest infestation does not go out of hand.