Yield And Agronomic Characteristics Of 29 Pigeon Pea Genotype At Otobi In Southern Guinea Savanna Of Nigeria

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ABSTRACT: The yield of pigeon pea (Cajanus cajan (L.) Millsp.) has remained low on the farmers' fields in Southern Guinea Savanna agro-ecological environment of Nigeria, despite its agronomic potentials. In 2002 – 2004, twenty-nine (29) improved pigeon pea genotypes from ICRISAT were evaluated along with a local check for grain yield and other agronomic characteristics with a view to further enhance pigeon pea productivity in the region. The experiment was a randomized complete block design with three replications located at the National Root Crops Research Institute sub-station, Otobi (07⁰10'N, 08⁰39'E, elevation 105.1m), Benue State, Nigeria. All pigeon pea genotypes, including the local check, produced dry grain yield above 1.00 t/ha⁻¹ with a mean of 1.37 t/ha except ICEAP 00053. ICP 7343, ICP 7992 (both medium duration), ICP 12746, ICP 7991 and ICP 7186 (long duration) pigeon pea genotypes proved superior to the local check in number of pods produced per plant, dry pod weight and grain yield. However, when farmers' preferences for early-maturing and high-yielding genotypes are considered, ICP 6971 and ICP 88039 may be chosen. [Nature and Science. 2008;6(2):39-50]. ISSN: 1545-0740.

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INTRODUCTION

Pigeon pea (*Cajanus cajan* (L.) millsp.) is now reported to be grown in 50 countries of Asia, Africa and the Caribbean, where its name "pigeon-pea" is thought to have originated. During 2004, pigeon pea as a field crop was grown on 4.36 ha, with a production of 3.22 million t and an average productivity of 0.74 t/ha⁻¹ (FAOSTAT, 2005). The current global estimate of its annual productivity is valued at more than US \$1700 million (FAOSTAT, 2005). Pigeon pea is a multipurpose leguminous crop that can provide food, fuel wood and folder for the small-scale farmer in subsistence agriculture and is widely cultivated in Nigeria (Remanandan and Asiegbu, 1993; Egbe and Kalu, 2006). In most locations in the Southern Guinea Savanna (6° 20′ N to 8° 10′ W, and 6° 42′ E to 10° 5′ E) agroecological zone of Nigeria, where poverty level is high and income generation status low, resource-poor farmers have through evolutionary history incorporated pigeon pea production into their indigenous cropping systems as field crops, backyard or as field border crops (Egbe and Kalu, 2006). In a survey of pigeon pea farming systems in Southern Guinea Savanna, Egbe and Kalu (2006) found that farmers preferred high-yielding, early-maturing, pest and disease tolerant genotypes to medium or late maturing types. Egbe and Adeyemo (2006) reported that pigeon pea could be intercropped with maize without negative effects on the yield and yield components of maize. Farmers in Southern Guinea Savanna of Nigeria, however, maintain varying degrees of sole and mixed culture with such other crops as sorghum, millet, yam, cassava and sweet potatoes.

Pigeon pea should play an important role in developing new strategic approaches to ensure food security and sustainable increase in agricultural productivity in Southern Guinea Savanna environment of Nigeria. One possible means of doing this is through screening of elite pigeon pea genotypes, which will be discussed in this paper.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

In 2002, 2003 and 2004 planting seasons, field experiments were carried out at the National Root Crops Research Institute Sub-station, Otobi (07° 10'N, 08° 39'E, 105.1m elevation) located in Southern Guinea Savanna agro-ecological zone of Nigeria to evaluate 29 new pigeon pea genotypes recently obtained from ICRISAT along with a local check for yield and other agronomic characteristics. Rainfall at the site was 1712.00mm, 1665,60mm and 1675.40mm in 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively between the months of June and November of each year. The soil at the experimental site was classified as Typic Paleustalf.

The experiment was laid out in randomized complete block design with three replications. The gross plot size was 8m², while the net plot measured 2m², entrimmed. Each gross plot consisted of 4 rows spaced 50cm apart and 4m long. Two seed were planted per hill and spaced 30cm within row. Thinning was done ten days after planting to one plant per hill. All plots received a basal application of 200kg NPK 15:15:15 (30kg N, 12.90kg P and 24.90 kg K) per ha by broadcasting. All plots were hand-weeded twice (at 3 and 7 weeks after planting). The following data were collected: days to 50 flowering, days to maturity, plant height at harvest (m), number of primary branches, number of pods per plant, dry pod weight and dry grain yield (t/ha). All data collected were analyzed using GENSTAT Release 4.23 (Copyright 2003, Lawes Agricultural Trust Rothamsted Experimental Station) following standard analysis of variance procedures (Gomez and Gomez, 1984). Whenever difference between treatment means were significant, means were separated by F-LSD as P = 0.05 (Obi, 1990). It must be noted that data for each trait measured for the 3 years were pooled and analyzed to determine the year effect before being analyzed again for the respective years of 2002, 2003 and 2004.

RESULTS

Year effects were highly significant for all the traits measured. For this reason, pea performance for the 3 years was discussed separately.

During each of the three years of experimentation, the short duration genotypes achieved 50% flowering earlier than the medium, which in turn flowered earlier than the long duration types (Table I). Though classified as late maturity (>180 days), ICP 7193 flowered in 124.00, 121.00 and 119.00 days in 2002, 2003 and 2004 respectively, which were not statistically different from the means for the medium duration (151 – 180 days) genotypes which flowered in 120.71, 123.25 and 124.46 days for the same period. Similarly, the short duration (< 150 days) genotypes reached maturity earlier (\overline{X} = 149.95 days) than medium (\overline{X} = 175.00 days) and the medium matured significantly earlier than the long duration (\overline{X} = 209.08 days)[Table 2]. Although grouped as short duration ICP 6971 matured in 165.00 days (2002), 163.00 days (2003 and 2004), which were not significantly different from those of other genotypes as ICP 7992 and ICP 7338, which have been designated as medium duration. The local check reached maturity in 210.00 days (2002), 199.00 days (2003) and 205.00 days (2004)

Table 3 indicates that, as a group the long duration genotypes were significantly taller (3.58m) than both the medium (3.15m) and the short duration lines (2.98m) in 2002, but not so in 2003 when all groups were equally tall. However, in 2004, both the medium and the long duration genotypes were significantly taller than the short duration types as a group. During the three years of experimentation, all pigeon pea genotypes had mean heights above 3m at harvest, except ICP 88039 (short duration), ICP 6930 (medium) and ICP 6915 (long duration), which

had mean heights of 2.54m, 2.51m and 2.89m, respectively. The local check (farmer's variety) along with ICP 7992 and ICP 7991 had average plant heights above 4m in 2002 and 2004, but no genotype reached the height of 4.0m in 2003 (*Table 3*).

The 3-year average of the number of primary branches per plant of pigeon pea varied between 11.61 (ICP 8997) and 23.06 (ICP 6443) with a mean of 17.77. As a group, the short duration types significantly had higher number of primary branches per plant than the medium during the entire period of the study; and showed a similar superior response over the long duration genotype only in 2003 and 2004 (*Table 4*). As maturity groups, the short and the long duration genotypes had significantly higher number of branches per plant than the local check, but the medium lines were at par with the local check in the number of primary branches produced.

Table 5 shows that the medium and the long duration genotypes consistently had greater number of pods per plant than the short duration types. No significant difference was noticed between the medium and the long duration genotypes in the number of pod yield per plant. On individual genotype basis, ICP 7186 produced the highest number of pods per plant with a 3-year mean of 545.13, while ICEAP 00053 had the lowest with a mean of 58.40. The farmers' variety (local check) consistently produced greater number of pods per plant than the short, medium- and the long duration genotypes as individual groups in all the years of the study. However, some individual genotypes in the medium and long duration categories produced significantly higher number of pods per plant than the local check, e.g. ICP 7338 (medium), ICP 7343 (medium), and ICP 7186 (long duration).

Mean dry pod weight for the period 2002 – 2005 varied between 2.05 t/ha⁻¹ (ICEAP 00053) and 4.5 t/ha⁻¹ (ICP 7343)(*Table 6*). On group basis, the dry pod weights of the short-, medium- and long duration pigeon pea were very comparable in each of the years of the trial. However, these improved cultivars in the three groups produced significantly greater quantities of dry pod than the local check only in 2003. On individual genotype basis, ICP 7343 pigeon pea, along with three other genotypes [ICP 12746 (late maturing), ICP 440 (medium) and ICP 6971 (short duration)] gave higher dry pod weights than all other genotypes tested including the local (*Table 6*).

All pigeon pea genotypes, including the local check produced dry grain yield above 1.00 t/ha⁻¹, with a mean of 1.37 t/ha⁻¹ in 2002 – 2004, except ICEAP 00053. The dry grain yield of the short-, medium- and long duration pigeon peas were at par during the entire course of the trials. The improved pigeon pea genotypes in the three different maturity groups proved superior to the local check in dry grain production only in 2003. However, ICP 7343 (medium) and ICP 12746 (long duration), consistently out-yielded the local check with mean yields above 2.00 t/ha (*Table 7*). ICP 7992 (medium), ICP 7186 (long) and ICP 7991 (long duration), which had mean yields of 1.93 t/ha⁻¹, 1.82 t/ha⁻¹ respectively, also gave significantly higher dry grain yields than the local check in at least two of the three years of the study.

DISCUSSION

Year effects were highly significant for all traits measured probably due to unequal amount of rainfall observed during the growing seasons in the different years. It is known that days to 50% flowering and maturity duration in pigeon pea are very highly and positively correlated. The mean days to physical maturity obtained in this study for the short duration (149.95), medium duration (175.00) and long duration (209.08) compared favourably

with the broad maturity classification of early (<150 days), medium (151 to 180 days) and late (>180 days) adopted by Reddy (1990)., ICP 6971, classified as short duration, may be re-classified as medium since in the Southern Guinea Savanna agro-ecological environment it reached maturity in 163.67 days. Upadhyaya *et al* (2006), however found that days to flower was more reliable in arriving at the maturity duration in pigeon pea, because frequent and heavy pod borer damage triggers fresh flower production in pigeon pea, which delays the days to maturity.

Plant height in pigeon pea is affected by maturity duration, photoperiod, and environment. Pigeon pea genotypes in this work were generally tall, probably due to influence of exposure to long-day conditions of June and July. Reddy (1990) explained that plant height could be substantially increased through prolongation of the vegetative phase by exposure to the long-day situations. The taller plants observed in the long- and medium duration types than the short duration genotypes in this study agreed with the findings of Egbe (2005), which stated that the short duration genotypes of pigeon pea had shorter plants than the medium- and late-maturing genotypes in both sole and intercropping systems. Reddy (1990) observed that late-maturing long-duration varieties are generally tall, because of their prolonged vegetative phase, while the short-duration or early-maturing varieties are comparatively short in stature due to their short vegetative growth phase.

The range of the number of primary branches observed in this study (11.61 - 23.06) with a mean of 17.17 was within the brackets of that recorded by Remanandan *et al* (1988) for over 8,000 world germplasm accessions which had average number of primary branches per plant at harvest to be between 2 - 3 to 66 with a mean of 13.20. The reasons why the short duration genotypes had greater number of primary branches than the medium and the long duration types could not be easily deduced, but this observation seemed to contradict the earlier reports of Baldey (1988) that the semi-spreading types possessed higher branching-habit plasticity than the compact and spreading types.

The results of this work indicate that, although the local check had means of the number of pods per plant, dry pod weight and dry grain yields at par with the means generated by the individual maturity groups of improved pigeon pea genotypes, some individual pigeon pea genotypes proved superior to it. Such genotypes included two medium duration cultivars (ICP 7343 and ICP 7992) and three long duration genotypes, namely: ICP 12746, ICP 7991 and ICP 7186. Since pod number per plant is the component through which variations in seed yield due to growing conditions is predominantly expressed (Lawn and Troedson, 1990), these improved pigeon pea genotypes mainly in the medium and long duration groups proved superior to the others and the local check probably due to greater number of pods produced per plant. The higher dry grain yields recorded by these medium and long duration genotypes over the short duration types agreed with the findings of earlier workers (Sharma *et al*, 1981) in their work on international adaptation of pigeon pea in West Africa. The mean yield of 1.37 t/ha⁻¹ reported in this study was higher than the mean of 1.0 t/ha⁻¹ obtained by farmers in Nigeria and the world productivity average of 0.74 t/ha⁻¹.

From the foregoing, ICP 7343, ICP 12746, ICP 7991, ICP 7992 and ICP 7186 may be regarded as the best performing genotypes in Southern Guinea Savanna environment of Nigeria. However, when the farmers' preference for early-maturing and high-yielding genotypes are considered, ICP 6971 and ICP 88039 may be chosen, as these varieties gave mean yields of 1.54 t/ha⁻¹, which is even higher than the farmers' average of 1.25 t/ha⁻¹.

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 $\it TABLE~1$: DAYS TO 50% FLOWERING OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

Genotype	Maturity Group	•						
		2002	2003	2004	Mean			
ICP 6971	S	103.33	116.33	111.67	110.44			
ICP 88039	S	70.00	118.33	115.00	101.11			
Mean for Short Duration		86.67	117.33	113.34	105.78			
ICP 6930	M	126.00	118.67	121.67	122.11			

ICP 8997	M	126.00	128.00	132.33	128.78
ICP 7338	M	111.67	121.00	121.33	118.00
ICP 7400	M	111.67	121.00	122.67	118.45
ICP 440	M	108.33	121.00	121.00	116.78
ICP 1	M	128.00	123.33	125.67	125.67
ICP 7992	M	124.00	131.00	130.00	128.33
ICP 7343	M	130.00	122.00	121.00	124.33
Mean for Medium Duration		120.71	123.25	124.46	122.81
ICP 6443	L	177.67	129.33	129.33	145.44
ICP 6912	L	145.33	131.33	134.00	136.89
ICP 00053	L	197.67	131.67	134.33	154.56
ICP 7188	L	158.67	134.00	135.00	142.56
ICP 11916	L	183.00	135.00	135.00	151.00
ICP 6915	L	130.00	141.67	127.67	133.11
ICP 7613	L	199.00	145.00	146.00	163.33
ICP 7193	L	124.00	121.00	119.00	121.33
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	156.00	128.00	140.00	141.33
ICP 7186	L	130.00	122.33	120.33	124.22
ICP 8257	L	170.00	128.67	129.33	142.67
ICP 11953	L	171.33	140.67	145.33	152.44
ICP 11951	L	170.00	128.67	150.00	149.56
ICP 12746	L	156.00	146.67	144.67	149.11
ICP 7991	L	138.00	143.00	138.00	139.67
ICP 6907	L	172.00	128.00	125.67	141.89
ICP 13030	L	170.67	142.67	144.33	152.56
ICP 7315	L	138.00	131.00	131.00	133.33
ICP 8006	L	172.00	143.00	142.00	152.33
ICP 6967	L	172.00	140.00	142.00	151.33
Mean for Long Duration		161.57	134.58	135.65	143.93
Mean		145.80	130.40	131.20	135.80
CV (%)		3.22	3.58	3.09	
FLSD		3.54	3.53	3.29	
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M = Medium Duration

TABLE 2: DAYS TO MATURITY OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

Genotype	Maturity Group		Days to maturity			
		2002	2003	2004	Mean	
ICP 6971	S	165.00	163.00	163.00	163.67	
ICP 88039	S	134.00	136.67	138.00	136.22	
Mean for Short Duration		149.50	149.84	150.50	149.95	
ICP 6930	M	173.00	169.67	171.33	171.33	

ICP 8997	M	178.33	174.00	172.67	175.00
ICP 7338	M	165.00	170.67	167.00	167.56
ICP 7400	M	172.33	174.00	170.00	172.11
ICP 440	M	166.67	141.67	173.00	170.45
ICP 1	M	195.00	179.33	190.67	188.33
ICP 7992	M	165.00	168.67	167.00	166.89
ICP 7343	M	193.33	186.67	185.00	188.33
Mean for Medium Duration		176.08	174.34	174.58	175.00
ICP 6443	L	253.33	221.67	223.33	232.78
ICP 6912	L	203.33	197.67	198.67	199.89
ICP 00053	L	255.00	225.00	240.00	240.00
ICP 7188	L	205.00	199.33	201.00	201.78
ICP 11916	L	236.67	225.00	228.33	230.00
ICP 6915	L	186.67	180.67	183.33	183.56
ICP 7613	L	255.00	243.33	248.33	248.89
ICP 7193	L	175.00	170.67	172.67	172.78
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	210.00	199.33	205.00	204.78
ICP 7186	L	190.00	186.00	187.67	187.89
ICP 8257	L	226.67	216.67	215.00	219.45
ICP 11953	L	213.33	211.67	210.00	211.67
ICP 11951	L	230.00	222.67	227.67	226.78
ICP 12746	L	208.33	203.33	200.00	203.89
ICP 7991	L	196.67	190.00	194.00	193.57
ICP 6907	L	205.00	199.33	199.00	201.11
ICP 13030	L	213.33	210.00	211.67	211.67
ICP 7315	L	195.00	188.67	190.00	191.22
ICP 8006	L	213.33	203.00	211.67	209.33
ICP 6967	L	210.00	208.33	213.33	210.55
Mean for Long Duration		214.08	205.12	208.03	209.08
Mean		199.64	193.20	195.28	196.04
CV (%)		3.02	6.40	6.16	
FLSD (0.05)		4.02	5.75	5.67	
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M = Medium duration

TABLE 3: PLANT HEIGHT OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

	Maturity						
Genotype	Group _		Plant height (m)				
		2002	2003	2004	Mean		
ICP 6971	S	4.12	3.40	3.17	3.56		
ICP 88039	S	1.83	3.37	2.42	2.54		
Mean for Short Duration		2.98	3.39	2.79	3.05		
ICP 6930	M	1.43	3.11	2.99	2.51		

ICP 8997	M	3.34	3.25	2.77	3.12
ICP 7338	M	3.42	3.23	3.19	3.28
ICP 7400	M	2.67	3.53	3.51	3.24
ICP 440	M	3.06	3.32	3.06	3.15
ICP 1	M	3.53	3.53	3.65	3.57
ICP 7992	M	4.41	3.41	4.23	4.02
ICP 7343	M	3.35	3.37	3.06	3.26
Mean for Medium Duration		3.15	3.34	3.31	3.27
ICP 6443	L	3.99	3.47	2.99	3.48
ICP 6912	L	3.02	3.49	3.73	3.41
ICP 00053	L	3.55	3.18	3.75	3.49
ICP 7188	L	3.99	3.37	3.72	3.69
ICP 11916	L	3.80	3.22	3.34	3.45
ICP 6915	L	2.37	3.23	3.07	2.89
ICP 7613	L	3.23	3.14	3.21	3.19
ICP 7193	L	3.33	3.34	2.86	3.18
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	4.00	3.33	4.09	3.81
ICP 7186	L	3.28	3.40	2.96	3.21
ICP 8257	L	4.26	3.43	3.68	3.79
ICP 11953	L	3.49	3.53	3.44	3.49
ICP 11951	L	3.55	3.50	3.63	3.56
ICP 12746	L	3.42	3.32	3.23	3.32
ICP 7991	L	4.19	3.39	4.00	3.86
ICP 6907	L	3.37	3.57	3.40	3.45
ICP 13030	L	3.63	3.43	3.44	3.50
ICP 7315	L	3.68	3.38	3.12	3.39
ICP 8006	L	3.79	3.34	3.73	3.62
ICP 6967	L	3.59	3.43	3.61	3.54
Mean for Long Duration		3.58	3.37	3.45	3.47
Mean		3.42	3.37	3.37	3.39
CV (%)		7.3	8.0	5.90	
FLSD (0.05)		0.41	0.43	0.32	
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M = Medium duration

TABLE 4: NUMBER OF EFFECTIVE PRIMARY BRANCHES PER PLANT OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

Genotype	Maturity Group	Numl	per of effective p	rimary branches	per plant
		2002	2003	2004	Mean
ICP 6971	S	22.55	21.17	22.33	22.02
ICP 88039	S	17.25	16.92	16.33	16.83
Mean for Short Duration		19.90	19.05	19.33	19.43
ICP 6930	M	14.25	14.25	13.58	14.03

ICP 8997	M	17.47	16.25	15.58	16.43
ICP 7338	M	12.92	11.33	10.58	11.61
ICP 7400	M	15.75	15.00	15.33	15.36
ICP 440	M	24.08	22.00	21.67	22.58
ICP 1	M	20.92	19.17	19.25	19.78
ICP 7992	M	15.00	15.33	16.17	15.50
ICP 7343	M	16.42	15.50	15.17	15.69
Mean for Medium Duration		17.10	16.10	15.92	16.37
ICP 6443	L	24.33	23.42	21.42	23.06
ICP 6912	L	15.75	18.17	18.08	17.33
ICP 00053	L	18.23	17.33	16.75	17.44
ICP 7188	L	16.00	14.33	13.50	14.61
ICP 11916	L	21.50	18.50	19.00	19.67
ICP 6915	L	25.17	22.75	21.00	22.97
ICP 7613	L	15.50	15.17	14.75	15.14
ICP 7193	L	20.67	10.33	11.17	14.06
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	15.80	15.33	15.58	15.57
ICP 7186	L	14.83	14.50	14.83	14.72
ICP 8257	L	19.50	20.00	19.63	19.71
ICP 11953	L	18.92	18.33	20.33	19.19
ICP 11951	L	23.17	20.17	22.25	21.86
ICP 12746	L	18.17	17.33	16.50	17.33
ICP 7991	L	15.33	13.75	13.50	14.19
ICP 6907	L	19.83	18.83	19.13	19.26
ICP 13030	L	19.83	20.33	23.33	19.94
ICP 7315	L	20.92	20.17	19.83	2.031
ICP 8006	L	14.42	13.50	13.42	13.78
ICP 6967	L	21.08	22.33	22.58	21.99
Mean for Long Duration		18.95	17.73	17.83	18.17
Mean		18.52	17.38	17.42	17.77
CV (%)		19.60	6.60	6.90	
FLSD (0.05)		1.92	1.88	1.97	
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M = Medium duration

TABLE 5: NUMBER OF PODS PER PLANT OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

Genotype	Maturity Group		Number of	pods per plant	t		
		2002	2003	2004	Mean		
ICP 6971	S	174.00	154.00	170.00	166.00		
ICP 88039	S	120.70	101.70	112.70	111.70		
Mean for Short Duration		147.35	127.85	141.35	138.85		
ICP 6930	M	161.50	164.70	165.00	163.73		

ICP 8997	M	125.70	133.50	123.70	127.63
ICP 7338	M	363.70	306.20	303.30	324.40
ICP 7400	M	158.00	161.00	162.70	160.57
ICP 440	M	191.70	194.70	201.20	195.87
ICP 1	M	153.30	149.00	161.00	154.43
ICP 7992	M	186.00	172.70	181.70	180.13
ICP 7343	M	295.70	280.20	292.00	289.3
Mean for Medium Duration		204.45	195.25	198.83	199.51
ICP 6443	L	168.80	165.70	162.70	165.73
ICP 6912	L	87.80	82.00	91.00	86.93
ICP 00053	L	74.70	47.00	53.50	58.40
ICP 7188	L	180.00	170.80	173.80	174.87
ICP 11916	L	264.00	249.70	226.30	167.33
ICP 6915	L	203.30	189.80	185.20	192.77
ICP 7613	L	148.00	138.50	166.00	150.83
ICP 7193	L	199.50	186.50	175.80	187.27
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	293.30	242.30	233.30	256.30
ICP 7186	L	622.80	508.30	504.30	545.13
ICP 8257	L	243.30	239.20	236.80	239.77
ICP 11953	L	156.00	212.50	133.80	137.10
ICP 11951	L	273.00	253.80	262.30	263.03
ICP 12746	L	247.20	234.20	229.50	236.97
ICP 7991	L	184.80	155.80	152.50	164.37
ICP 6907	L	106.50	100.50	123.20	110.07
ICP 13030	L	217.00	217.70	223.20	219.30
ICP 7315	L	243.80	214.30	268.80	242.30
ICP 8006	L	151.30	128.50	152.50	144.10
ICP 6967	L	170.20	168.20	170.30	169.57
Mean for Long Duration		211.77	190.72	196.24	119.58
Mean		205.50	187.70	193.30	195.50
CV (%)		9.60	6.80	5.40	
FLSD (0.05)		32.30	20.95	17.01	
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M = Medium duration

TABLE 6: DRY POD WEIGHT OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

	Maturity				
Genotype	Group _		weight (t/ha)		
		2002	2003	2004	Mean
ICP 6971	S	4.16	2.56	2.28	3.00
ICP 88039	S	3.36	2.56	2.60	2.84
Mean for Short Duration		3.76	2.56	2.44	2.92

ICP 6930	M	3.49	1.69	1.89	2.36
ICP 8997	M	3.58	2.94	2.72	3.08
ICP 7338	M	2.71	2.44	2.24	2.46
ICP 7400	M	2.00	2.91	2.92	2.61
ICP 440	M	5.12	2.79	3.16	3.69
ICP 1	M	2.23	2.87	1.94	2.35
ICP 7992	M	4.53	2.58	4.26	3.79
ICP 7343	M	4.69	4.05	4.77	4.50
Mean for Medium Duration		3.54	2.78	2.99	3.10
ICP 6443	L	2.47	2.73	2.45	2.55
ICP 6912	L	2.71	3.59	2.53	2.94
ICP 00053	L	1.66	3.03	1.47	2.05
ICP 7188	L	2.68	2.43	2.59	2.57
ICP 11916	L	2.31	2.26	2.19	2.25
ICP 6915	L	3.03	2.63	2.55	2.74
ICP 7613	L	1.78	3.12	1.77	2.22
ICP 7193	L	2.46	1.99	2.22	2.22
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	3.74	1.63	2.70	2.69
ICP 7186	L	3.90	3.26	3.52	3.56
ICP 8257	L	2.92	2.53	3.01	2.82
ICP 11953	L	4.15	0.93	4.03	3.04
ICP 11951	L	2.95	2.90	2.90	2.92
ICP 12746	L	5.27	2.48	4.77	4.17
ICP 7991	L	4.09	2.12	3.77	3.33
ICP 6907	L	2.33	2.49	2.92	2.58
ICP 13030	L	3.23	2.22	3.18	2.88
ICP 7315	L	3.08	2.53	2.92	2.84
ICP 8006	L	3.39	3.34	3.58	3.44
ICP 6967	L	2.45	1.34	2.56	2.12
Mean for Long Duration		3.03	2.48	2.88	2.79
Mean		3.22	2.56	2.88	2.89
CV (%)		10.30	17.30	10.10	
FLSD (0.05)		0.54	0.73	0.48	
C - Chart duration					

M = Medium duration

TABLE 7: DRY GRAIN YIELD OF 30 PIGEON PEA GENOTYPES AT OTOBI, SOUTHERN GUINEA SAVANNA OF NIGERIA

	Maturity					
Genotype	Group _	Dry grain yield (t/ha)				
		2002	2003	2004	Mean	
ICP 6971	S	2.11	1.32	1.13	1.52	
ICP 88039	S	1.82	1.40	1.42	1.55	
Mean for Short Duration		1.97	1.36	1.28	1.54	
ICP 6930	M	1.64	0.59	0.82	1.02	

ICP 8997	M	1.88	1.13	1.26	1.42
ICP 7338	M	1.05	1.26	1.05	1.12
ICP 7400	M	1.11	1.93	1.73	1.59
ICP 440	M	1.47	1.34	1.64	1.48
ICP 1	M	1.21	1.63	0.77	1.20
ICP 7992	M	2.08	1.62	2.08	1.93
ICP 7343	M	2.71	1.92	2.19	2.27
Mean for Medium Duration		1.64	1.43	1.44	1.50
ICP 6443	L	0.96	1.16	1.11	1.08
ICP 6912	L	1.17	1.70	1.16	1.34
ICP 00053	L	0.84	0.84	0.66	0.78
ICP 7188	L	1.22	0.82	1.18	1.07
ICP 11916	L	1.25	1.08	0.91	1.08
ICP 6915	L	1.63	1.25	1.30	1.39
ICP 7613	L	0.85	1.60	0.98	1.14
ICP 7193	L	1.18	1.02	1.02	1.07
Farmers' Variety (Check)	L	1.67	0.69	1.38	1.25
ICP 7186	L	1.88	1.75	1.82	1.82
ICP 8257	L	0.99	1.05	1.31	1.12
ICP 11953	L	1.94	0.28	1.59	1.27
ICP 11951	L	1.11	1.42	1.36	1.29
ICP 12746	L	3.06	1.23	2.13	2.14
ICP 7991	L	2.24	1.23	1.82	1.76
ICP 6907	L	1.03	1.05	1.38	1.15
ICP 13030	L	1.16	0.98	1.58	1.24
ICP 7315	L	1.46	1.21	1.41	1.36
ICP 8006	L	1.61	1.53	1.83	1.66
ICP 6967	L	1.09	0.69	1.23	1.00
Mean for Long Duration		1.42	1.13	1.36	1.30
Mean		1.51	1.22	1.37	1.37
CV (%)		4.60	18.10	12.90	
FLSD (0.05)		0.41	0.36	0.29	
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M = Medium duration L = Long duration

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