



## Crop Protection : Pest of paddy

### Yellow hairy caterpillar: *Psalis pennatula*

#### Symptoms of damage:

- Larva causes defoliation

#### Identification of insect pest:

- Egg:** yellow coloured pubescent eggs are found in groups on leaf surface
- Larva:** Yellowish brown with red stripes. Orange head and tufts of hairs all over the body.
- Pupa:** pale white cocoon of silk and frass attached to the leaf
- Adult:** moth is stout with straw coloured forewings



Larva



Adult

#### Management:

- Spray the crop with chlorpyrifos 20 EC 500 ml/ac