

<b>Variety</b>	Shikha (LCK-8528)
<b>Year of release</b>	1998
<b>Notification number</b>	S.O.401(E)
<b>National ID</b>	IC 0523808
<b>Developed by</b>	CSAUA&T, Kanpur
<b>Recommended production system</b>	Irrigated
<b>Area of adaption</b>	Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and Assam
<b>Pedigree</b>	Hira/CRISTA
<b>Days to maturity</b>	135-140
<b>Average seed yield (kg/ha)</b>	1235 (Seed)/1033 (Fibre)
<b>Oil content (%)</b>	41.0
<b>Disease resistance</b>	Resistant to rust and wilt; tolerant to powdery mildew and <i>Alternaria</i> blight
<b>Plant height (cm)</b>	79.0
<b>Flower traits</b>	Shape: Disk Colour: Blue Aestivation: Semi-twisted
<b>Seed traits</b>	Colour: Brown Size: Medium
<b>1000 seed weight (g)</b>	7.5
<b>Special feature(s)</b>	Dual purpose variety

