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Occurrence Nu Location: Date: Highest Injury		21 km North of Barham NSW 10 November 1984			Occurrence Type: Accident Time: 930	
Injuries:		Crew Ground Passenger Total	Fatal 0 0 0 0	Serious 0 0 0 0	Minor 0 0 1	None 0 - 0 0
Aircraft Details: Registration: Serial Number: Operation Type: Damage Level: Departure Point: Departure Time: Destination:	VH-IDH Rice Seeding Destroyed 22 km North of Barham NSW					

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Circumstances:

At a height of approximately 50 feet after take-off the engine suddenly lost all power. The pilot was able to glide the aircraft over several drainage banks, two fences and an irrigation canal but a high rate of descent developed and the aircraft landed heavily and overturned. Fire broke out and the central section of the fuselage was burnt out. The investigation was hampered by the extent of fire damage and the cause of the loss of engine power was not positively established.