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Analyzing the Soil Fertility in Uttar Pradesh with Special Reference to Meerut District

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Abstract – Soil is the central vehicle of plant development for giving supplements in sufficient way. At the beginning of the human progress, agribusiness based sedentary civilizations have been experienced childhood in rich soil of the waterway. After some time, with the expansion of population and food request, strategies for agribusiness and weight on soil have been quicken at the same time as a result of mismanagement of soil fertility. Declining soil fertility has turned into a danger in agricultural productivity and agro-financial situation. Joining of 100% NPK + FYM + Azotobactor + Zn + Mn + Fe discovered greater productivity and remvaerative with the higher residual soil fertility status after wheat crop. In light of the examination, 100% NPK + FYM + Azotobactor + Zn+ Mn+ Fe could be recommend for accomplishing most extreme wheat crop productivity and sustainability of soil under semi-parched and sub-tropical sandy topsoil. Higher air temperatures will likewise be fell in the soil, where hotter conditions are probably going to speed the normal disintegration of natural issue and to expand the rates of other soil forms that influence fertility. Extra utilization of compost might be expect to neutralize these procedures and to exploit the potential for improved crop development that can result from expanded atmospheric CO2. This can come at the cost of environmental hazard, for extra utilization of synthetic substances may affect water and air quality. The ceaseless cycling of plant supplements – carbon, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and sulfur – in the soil-plant-atmosphere framework is likewise liable to quicken in hotter conditions, upgrading CO2 and N2O greenhouse gas discharges.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Soil is the basic part of the earth framework, working not just for the generation of food, grain and fiber yet in addition in the upkeep of neighborhood, regional and global environmental quality. Ranchers in Asia, for a considerable length of time, have polished a social framework that guaranteed unassuming however, stable yields, yet kept up an ideal dimension of fertility in soil. This equilibrium was disturbs by the need to increase creation through presentation of high yielding assortments, escalated utilization of compound manures and pesticides and broad culturing. There are presently concerns whether the dramatic increase underway, which pursued the Green Revolution, is sustainable.

Importance of soil in providing plant nutrients known since the start of agribusiness. The idea was all the more convincingly pushed since Liebig's time around 1840, when numerous techniques have been endeavored to get exact reason for evaluating soil supplement providing capacity and anticipating the manure requirements of crops. Agribusiness in South Asia, until the center of the twentieth century, nevertheless, depended generally on innate supplement save of the soil and natural manure. From mid-sixties utilization of composts is expanding consistently alongside the presentation and extension of current high yielding assortments joined by development of water system offices in India. Nonetheless, late reports propose a declining pattern in production of rice and wheat in South Asia (Ladha et al., 2003). Real causes, which have been recommend, incorporate slow decrease in the supply of soil nutrients causing supplement (macro and micro) awkward nature because of unseemly compost applications and decrease in soil natural issue content. With the decrease in yield, the fractional factor productivity from connected nutrients is going down bringing about expanding costs of production. This in the meantime has related with environmental costs regarding supplement misfortunes in vaporous structure and filtering. It is accordingly fundamental that supplement-providing capacity of soil be consistently observe to guarantee and improve sustainability of horticulture. The target of this paper was to investigate the pattern in fertility status of

Indian soils since 1967, when the Green Revolution was start.

Soil plays a major role in deciding the sustainable productivity of an agro-ecosystem. The sustainable productivity of a soil relies on its capacity to supply essential nutrients to the developing plants. Take-up of micronutrients are influence by the major nutrients because of either negative or positive connection. The degradation of soil has begun happening both because of characteristic and human incited factors which thus influencing the productivity. As human population keep on expanding, human aggravation of the world's ecosystem to create food and fiber will put interest that is more prominent on soil to supply essential nutrients. The soils local capacity to supply adequate nutrients has decreased with higher plant productivity level related with increased human interest for food. In this manner, one of the best difficulties today is to create and implement soil, crop and nutrients management technologies that upgrade the plant productivity and quality of soil, water and air.

The assessment of soil fertility incorporates the measurement of accessible plant nutrients and estimation of capacity of soil to keep up a consistent supply of plant nutrients for a crop. The accessibility of nutrients relies upon different factors, for example, kind of soil, nature of water system offices, pH and natural issue content. Soil, quality degradation process with reference to productivity or fertility includes physical compound and biological degradation process. This is pre-essential for deciding proper protection exercises in checking our characteristic resource base. The present investigation was embrace to know the macro supplement status of soils of Tedia village and an endeavor was additionally make to associate macronutrients substance of the soils with other soil properties. Present examination was helpful in making a decision about the insufficiency of different element and in this manner utilization of composts relying upon their status. The present investigation led for covering investigation of the status of macronutrient and their correlation with physicochemical properties in the soils of Tedia village Arajiline square, area Varanasi (U.P.).

1.1 Climate Change

Climate is the aggregate of the climate conditions winning in an area largely or over a period. Climate change is namely as a statistically noteworthy variation in either the mean state of the climate or its variability, persisting for an all-encompassing period. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC) characterized climate change as a change of climate, which adjusts the composition of global atmosphere because of human exercises legitimately or by implication. The rotation of global atmosphere is change in climate pattern, increase in temperature, fall in average yearly rainfall, change in timing of precipitation and so forth.

The excess GHG emission and accumulation in the layers of atmosphere prompts rapid increase the temperature and is likewise in charge of fall in average yearly rainfall. The temperature of earth begins expanding with excess emission of carbon dioxide (CO_2), sulfur dioxide (SO2) and different poisons from the factories and other human exercises. The earth's mean yearly temperature is expanding systematically. It was 13.74 °C in the year 1900 and it moved to 14°C in the year 1970. 4 The mean yearly temperature of earth was 14.71 in the start of 21th century. As indicated by NASA the average temperature of the earth has increased by 0.8° C in most recent hundred years. Researchers first time began to talk about climate change in the late of nineteenth century. Afterward, because of colossal emission of GHG from factories in the beginning of the 21th century, the entire world began talking about the expanding temperature of earth.

1.1.1 Impact of Climate change on Fertility

Farming is an open field economic action, which legitimately relies upon the climatic states of the area. Climatic states of the area decide the accomplishment of agribusiness. In creating nations where the huge piece of the population relies upon the farming and it contributes significantly to country's GDP, the agribusiness turns out to be progressively essential. The changing situation of world's climatic conditions has direct effect on horticulture. Current innovation, composts, bothers, climate change and so forth have sway on crops yield. Specialists foresee positive effects of climate change on horticulture, as increased temperatures and higher CO_2 levels (Robert et al., 1994). Increased centralizations of CO_2 may boost crop productivity in C3 crops particularly, just where dampness is not a limitation. Larger amounts of CO_2 can invigorate photosynthesis in specific plants. Experimental perceptions affirm that when plants ingest more carbon, become greater and even more rapidly. This is especially valid for certain plants, which correspond to mid-scope food staples like wheat, rice and soya bean. Increased CO_2 will in general smother photograph breath in these plants, making them more water-proficient. If there should arise an occurrence of others, which correspond, to low-elevation crops like maize, sorghum and sugarcane, the effect on yields is progressively hard to anticipate. The CO_2 fertilization impacts would be higher on C3 crops, (for example, wheat, rice and soya bean) than on C4 crops, (for example, maize, sorghum and sugarcane), in light of the fact that the previous is increasingly helpless to carbon dioxide shortage. In addition, the protein substance of the grain decreases under consolidated increases of temperature and CO_2 because of the carbon fertilization impact. For rice, the amylase substance of the grain, a major determinant of cooking quality 5 (pallor), is increased under raised CO_2. With wheat, raised CO_2 lessens the protein substance of grain.

2. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Hanif et al. (2015) - assessed the impacts of nanoparticles (nano-TiO2) on availability of under

incubation study with five different treatments (0, 25, 50, 75, & 100 mg nano-TiO2 kg-1 soil) in sandy top soil. They saw that the availability of phosphorus in soil increased up to 56 % following 72-hour hatching at room temperature (25 °C) in petri dishes. The use of 100 mg nanoparticle/kg soil (nano-TiO2) was come about positive connection between dose of nano-TiO2 and phytol accessibility of phosphorus. As of now, they were guess that the utilization of nanoparticles in soil could meddle at exchange destinations. The presentation of nano TiO2 in soil could give more adsorption locales to the PO4 3– particles because of higher polarizing intensity of Ti3+ (6.7 C m-2) when contrasted with Ca2+ (2.2 C m-2) and make covalent bonds with the PO4 3– gatherings. Along these lines, the increase the availability phosphorus 5-crease as compere to control.

Tening et al. (2013) - contemplated the change of connected P in soils from various horizons in volcanic soil. The treatments included diverse P rates (0, 20, 60 and 180 mg P l - 1) and incubation periods (1, 3, 7, 14 and 28 days) under research facility conditions. The phosphorus was separate on every treatment blend to decide the measure of P fixed. They saw that the phosphorus recuperation was increase with included P. While, Phosphorus fixation was increase with included P and profundity all through the incubation period. The soil demonstrated a high P fixing capacity all through the diverse horizons. The P fixed fluctuating between 57 to 99 % in the upper horizons and 90-100 % in the lower horizons. They saw that fixation of phosphorus was increased with increasing dose of fertilizer however percent fixation per unit application was decreased with increasing dose of fertilizer.

Yousefi (2012) - the reason for this investigation was to economic examination of different crop production frameworks in Kermanshah territory. Present investigation done by contemplating different cost segments, including production costs and the absolute production esteem for wheat, maize and horse feed production frameworks in a year production life. The outcome demonstrate that all out production cost for wheat, maize and horse feed production frameworks were about 845.95, 893.86 and 994.70 $ha-1. The most astounding offer of complete cost in wheat and horse feed production frameworks were diesel and machinery costs and in maize production frameworks, compound info cost was most noteworthy offer. Net return for wheat, maize and horse feed production frameworks were about 1534.05, 1676.54 and 4138.51 $ha-1. As needs be, in Kermanshah territory the high benefit/cost ratio and productivity was in hay production frameworks.

Patel et al. (2011) the examination was complete to consider the Economic investigation of production and displaying of wheat in BHAL locale of Ahmadabad area Gujarat. Consequences of the investigation showed that average cost of development (Cost-C2) per hectare was Rs.11, 968.38, while per hectare average yield was 9.29 quintals. The average net profit per hectare over Cost-C2 was Rs. 4228.33 per hectare and the general info yield ratio on Cost-C2 was 1.38. The per quintal average cost on Cost-C2 premise was Rs. 1151.47 which was not exactly the predominant per quintal showcase price amid the investigation period appearing cultivating as a profitable action. On an average 88.81 percent of wheat production was promote. The ranchers for promoting their produce favored four organizations for example village vendor, distributer cum commission specialists at directed market, mill operators and consumers. About 10.25 percent and 11.12 percent of consumer's price was share by promoting cost and advertising edge, individually while the maker's offer in consumer's price was 78.63 percent and the showcasing efficiency demonstrated an efficient channel for ranchers to sell their produce.

3. MATERIALS AND METHOD

The field experiment was conducted amid the rabbi season of 2015-16 at Crop Research Center of Agriculture and Technology, (290 13' N, 770 68' 43 E, 237 m above mean sea level) Meerut, India. Climate was semi parched, sub-tropical with limits of hot climate in summer and cold in winter season. There is continuous decrease in mean day by day temperature from October coming to as low as 2-4 0C in January and further a progressive increase is enrolled from February coming to as high as 43-45 0C in May. The downpours are dominating brought by south-west monsoon, which sets in the most recent seven-day stretch of June, achieves its peak in July-August and withdraws before the finish of September. The area gets 862 mm of downpours yearly on an average, of which 90% is restricted to rainy season (July-September). Soil of experimental field was sandy topsoil with pH of 8.3, electric conductivity (EC) 1.7dSm-1, low in natural C (0.41%), accessible N (174.8 kg ha-1), medium in accessible P (13.7 kg ha-1) and K (245 kg ha-1). A scope of mean week after week most extreme temperature shifted from 16.5°C to 40.2°C, and the mean week by week least temperature ran from 4.6°C to 22.7°C amid 2015-16. The aggregate of 22.4 mm rainfall got amid crop season 2015-16.

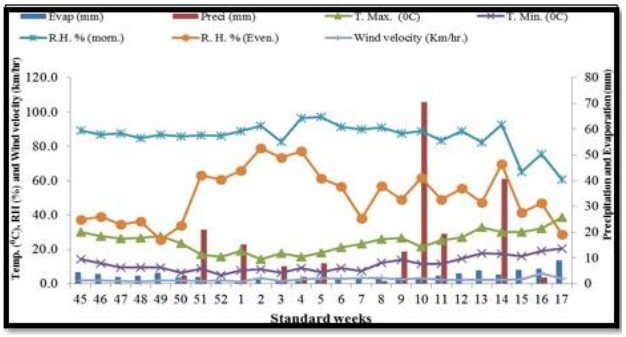

Figure 1 Impact of various variables on soil fertility

The experiment laid out in RBD (Randomized Block design) with three replication. Studies were conducted with fourteen treatments viz., T1- Control, T2- 100 % NPK, T3-75% NPK + FYM, T4- 75 % NPK + FYM + PSB+ Azotobactor, T5- 100 % NPK + Zn, T6- 100 % NPK + Zn+ Mn, T7-100 % NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe, T8-75 % NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor + Zn + Fe + Mn, T9-125 % NPK, T10- 125% NPK + Zn, T11- 125 % NPK + Zn+ Mn, T12-125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe, T13-100% NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor + Zn + Fe + Mn and T14-50% N +100%PK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor + Zn + Fe + Mn + LCC based N top dressing. Wheat crop was saw with the row spacing of 22.5 cm. five water systems (60 mm water system in each) were connect at five critical phenological stages. With respect to fertilizer use of the crop, 150 kg N, 75 kg P2O5 and 60 kg K2O were connect as recommended dose. Out of which, 1/2 N and full dose of P2O5 and K2O were connected as basal at the season of sowing by communicating strategy. The rest of the 1/2 dose of N was connected in two equivalent parts at CRI and late tailoring stages. Natural manure, FYM, and bio fertilizer Azotobactor and PSB were utilize according to treatment. Assortment of wheat is DBW 17 was saw on 28 November 2015. Five spike chose arbitrarily were threshed physically, grains were considered and information exhibited grains per spike. The example of 1000-grains gathered from each plot, gauged and exhibited as gram. All out, bundle weight was record from each plot at the season of reaping. The crop was thresh and grain were gauge and introduce as quintal per hectare. Meteorological information, viz., rainfall, relative mugginess, most extreme and least temperature, were record from Agro-meteorological observatory, Meerut. Information on yield attributes, grain, biological yield, and gather list were record at crop development. Standard strategies were utilize for synthetic examination of soil and plant test. The information were dissect by utilizing the 'Investigation of Variance Technique' according to the methods portrayed by Gomez and Gomes (1984). The treatment implies were analyze at 5% dimension of significance.

Table 1: Physico-chemical properties of the soil of the experimental field

S. No.	Soil Properties	Content	S. No.	Soil Properties	Content	S. No.	Soil Properties	Content
1.	Sand (%)	64.2	5.	EC(dSm^{-1})	0.48	9.	Available K (kg/ha^{-1})	245
2.	Silt (%)	18.5	6.	Organic carbon (%)	0.41	10.	Available Fe (mg kg^{-1})	3.3
3.	Clay (%)	17.3	7.	Available N (kg ha^{-1})	174.8	11.	Available Zn (mg kg^{-1})	0.82
4.	pH (1:2)	8.3	8.	Available P (kg/ha^{-1})	13.7	12.	Available Mn (mg kg^{-1})	3.85

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

4.1 Growth and yield attributes

Uses of organic with inorganic sources of fertilizer at any dimension were find to improve the development and yield crediting character (Table 2) in comparison to control. Nutrient had significant impact on plant tallness amid the time of examination. Use of various nutrient management rehearses influenced the plant stature significantly over the control. The use of 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe recorded the most extreme plant stature, which was at standard with 100% NPK + FYM + PSB+ Azotobactor + Zn + Fe + Mn. The control plots came about significant decrease in plant stature contrasted with different treatments at collect. Such a higher plant tallness in 100% NPK with organic manures and bio-fertilizers can be relate with adequate nutrient supply at the dynamic development arrange. Comparative aftereffects of increased plant tallness were likewise revealed by Kumar and Ahlawat (2004) [14], Tulsa Ram and Mir (2006) [29], Thakral et al. (2003) [27]. Dry issue production in crop is a component of current photosynthesis. Adjusted sustenance helps in accomplishing higher dry issue accumulation through improved shade spread, which at last increased higher measure of acclimatized through higher rate of current photosynthesis. Absolute plant stand, plant tallness, number of successful tillers characters will eventually influence dry issue accumulation by crop. Nutrient management treatments had significant impact on dry issue accumulation.

Table 2: Plant height, dry matter accumulation, effective tillers, No. of grains/spike and 1000-grain weight as influenced by different nutrient options.

Treatment	Plant height at harvest (cm)	Dry matter accumulation (g) m^{-1} at harvest	Effective tillers m^{-1} 90 DAS	No. grains Spike^{-1}	1000 -grain weight (g)
T_1- Control	61.5	678.0	205	22.1	28.7
T_2-100 % NPK	75.2	1007.4	267	31.4	36.3
T_3-75 % NPK + FYM	75.9	1010.8	270	32.4	36.6
T_4-75 % NPK + FYM + PSB+ Azotobactor	76.4	1012.1	273	33.0	36.9
T_5-100 % NPK + Zn	77.2	1014.4	277	33.4	37.2
T_6-100 % NPK + Zn+ Mn	78.6	1017.4	285	34.6	38.2
T_7-100 % NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe	80.2	1021.2	290	34.8	38.5
T_8-75 % NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn	78.3	1013.0	281	33.5	37.8
T_9-125 % NPK	84.5	1077.1	317	34.8	38.8
T_{10}-125% NPK + Zn	84.8	1078.4	320	35.2	39.1
T_{11}-125 % NPK + Zn+ Mn	85.1	1079.3	324	36.1	39.4
T_{12}-125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe	86.6	1081.5	330	36.9	40.1
T_{13}-100% NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn	85.3	1080.2	327	36.2	39.7
T_{14}-50% N +100%PK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn + LCC based N top dressing	77.5	1018.7	280	33.1	37.5
CD (P= 0.05)	7.2	52.1	20.7	1.2	0.8

4.2 Yield

The yield of a crop relies on the source sink relationship and is the combined articulation of different development parameters and yield crediting segments viz; grains/spike, 1000-grain weight. Limit of number of grain/spike and 1000-grain weight was record in 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe that was found statistically at par with 100% NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn. The effect of 100% NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn being statistically at par with 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe and was superior to control in respect of yield attributing characters.

4.3 Protein content and organic carbon

Use of 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe has demonstrated the best with 10.40 % Protein it was statistically at standard with 100% NPK alongside FYM, bio fertilizers, Zn, Mn and Fe. The outcomes demonstrate that coordinated nutrient application through substance fertilizer, FYM and bio fertilizer improve the protein content in grain over control. Nitrogen is most essential factor, which decides protein constituent of grain. It is essential for vegetative and regenerative stages. Nitrogen influences wheat productivity as well

as synergistically affects quality of grain. Nitrogen is critical constituent of protein, compound and chlorophyll and is engage with all procedures related with protoplasm, enzymatic response and photosynthesis. Organic carbon in soil changed significantly among various nutrient treatment.

Table 3: Grain, straw and biological yield, harvest index, protein content, net return and organic carbon as influenced by different nutrient options

Treatment	Grain Yield (q ha^{-1})	Straw Yield (q ha^{-1})	Biological Yield (q ha^{-1})	Harvest Index (%)	Protein content (%)	Net returns (Rs ha^{-1})	Organic carbon (%)
T_1- Control	28.3	40.5	68.8	41.1	9.6	24740	0.39
T_2-100 % NPK	49.2	72.3	121.5	40.4	9.7	66385	0.41
T_3-75 % NPK + FYM	50.6	73.9	124.5	40.6	9.8	69143	0.45
T_4-75 % NPK + FYM + PSB+ Azotobactor	51.2	74.8	126.0	40.6	9.8	70123	0.48
T_5-100 % NPK + Zn	52.1	75.2	127.3	40.9	9.8	71080	0.40
T_6-100 % NPK + Zn+ Mn	53.5	77.5	131.0	40.8	10.0	72900	0.42
T_7-100 % NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe	54.0	79.0	133.0	40.6	10.0	73175	0.44
T_8-75 % NPK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor +Zn + Fe + Mn	53.3	77.3	130.6	40.8	10.0	70628	0.49
T_9-125 % NPK	53.2	79.2	132.4	40.1	10.1	74374	0.46
T_{10}-125% NPK + Zn	56.3	81.5	137.8	40.8	10.1	79079	0.47
T_{11}-125 % NPK + Zn+ Mn	57.9	82.9	140.8	41.1	10.2	80168	0.48
T_{12}-125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe	58.7	84.1	142.8	41.1	10.4	81349	0.50
T_{13}-100% NPK + FYM+ PSB+Azotobactor +Zn + Fe + Mn	58.4	83.9	142.3	41.0	10.2	80170	0.53
T_{14}-50% N +100%PK + FYM+ PSB+ Azotobactor+Zn + Fe + Mn + LCC based N top dressing	53.0	76.8	129.8	40.8	10.0	71260	0.48
CD (P= 0.05)	2.6	4.5	9.2	NS	0.6	-	0.05

4.4 Profitability

Net return was watched most astounding in treatment 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe intently pursued by 100% NPK alongside FYM, bio fertilizers, Zn, Mn and Fe. The most reduced net return was saw in control plots. Ram and Mir, (2006), likewise announced comparative outcome. The outcome on current examinations demonstrated that cost of development was insignificantly higher when the nutrients were connect in mix. Because of higher grain and straw yields, the overall gain was additionally higher with utilization of organic and inorganic fertilizers over 100% NPK. Comparative outcome was likewise revealed by Bhaduri and Gautam (2012) [5] and Lone et al. (2011).

5. CONCLUSION

The most astounding development characters recorded with treatment 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe was statistically like the treatment of 100% NPK alongside FYM, bio fertilizers, Zn, Mn and Fe and significantly higher than 100% NPK and control. Despite the fact that use of 125% NPK + Zn + Mn + Fe yielded more among all the nutrient management alternatives yet it was found at standard with 100% NPK alongside FYM, bio fertilizers, Zn, Mn and Fe in grain, straw a biological yield, protein substance and net return. In view the development of Soil organic carbon in soil, use of 100% NPK alongside FYM, bio fertilizers, Zn, Mn and Fe was discover best among all nutrient management choices. From this research work, it is intelligible that development and productivity of crop have been influence by substance properties and macronutrients in soil. Among the concentrated six variables, P, OC and K have clarified 70 percent of variance in the productivity of paddy. Other physical and compound properties of soil is additionally imperative for crop yield. As scope of organic issue content and electrical conductivity in the soil is low, there is no such solid impact in productivity. Nevertheless, soil pH is the most persuasive factor in the crop production. Agricultural strategies for the mouza are exclusively in charge of negative consequences of soil pH, organic issue substance and nutrient stockpiling. Therefore, productivity is being hamper, causing low nutrient record. In this circumstance, agricultural strategies ought to be pursue with organic agribusiness for sustenance of soil quality just as agricultural productivity.

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