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Macro nutrient content under site specific nutrient management, use in two soil type vertisol and inceptisol on rice grain and straw

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Abstract

A pot culture experiment was conducted in the Department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry, BTC College of Agriculture and research Station, Bilaspur, during *Kharif* season 2017-18. using two representative soils (*Vertisol* and *Inceptisol*) collected from village Mungeli (*Vertisol*) and Jhajh (*Inceptisol*) of the mungeli district.

The objectives of the study were to identify the specific nutrients which limit the crop yield through rice - response using nutrient omission technique during *kharif* season, 2017 and to demonstrate the optimum use of identified limiting nutrients and it's comparison with farmer's fertilizer practice with wheat crop during *rabi* season. 2017-18. On the basis of 1st season results farmer's field demonstration was also carried out at field of farmer's (from where bulk of soils were collected for pot experiment) during *Rabi* season 2017-18. The soils used for pot experiment were two type i. e. *Inceptisol* and *Vertisol*. Both the soils were collected from two different locations of Mungeli district. Collected soils were air dried and filled in cemented pots. The treatments constituted with application of all nutrients applied at optimum level known as All (SSNM dose) while in others, one of the nutrient elements from all the nutrient treatments (All) was omitted. There were eleven treatments for each type of soil and three replications with completely randomized design. All treatments were common for both the soils except omission of Fe and Mn in case of *Vertisol* and omission of Ca and Mg in case of *Inceptisol* were kept keeping the concept of soil reaction. After addition of all treatments, rice (IGKV-1 "rajesh wari") was transplanted in three hills/pot with 2-3 seedlings in each hill. The treatments constituted with application of all nutrients applied at optimum level known as SSNM dose while in others, one of the nutrient elements from all the nutrient treatments was omitted. Total 11 treatments were tested with rice (IGKV-1 "rajeshwari") as a test crop, laid out in CRD (Completely Randomized Block Design) with three replications.

In eleven treatments, first treatment was application of all nutrients (N, P, K, S, Fe/Ca, Mn/Mg, Cu, Zn, B and Mo) and sequentially each nutrient was omitted from all nutrients applied (SSNM). The yield reductions were more pronounced with N and P omission. The P, Ca, Mg, S, Mn, Zn and B content in rice grain were recorded with the treatment (T₁) which received all the nutrients. While, treatment T₁₁ had recorded significantly the highest value of N content in rice straw. In case of *Inceptisol*, significantly, the highest P, K, Ca, Mg and S content were recorded in treatment T₁ which received all nutrients. The highest value of P, Mg content in rice straw were recorded in treatment T₁ received all nutrients. Treatment T₁₁ had showed the maximum content of N in rice straw.

The overall study indicated that N, P, S nutrients in *Vertisols* and N, P, S nutrients in *Inceptisols* of Bilaspur district were traced as limiting nutrients which should be applied for optimum crop production.

Keywords: inceptisol, vertisol, nutrients, straw

Introduction

Site-specific nutrient management (SSNM) is a plant-based approach, which enables rice farmers to optimally supply their crop with essential nutrients. The optimal supply of nutrients for rice can vary from field-to-field depending on crop and soil management, historical use of fertilizers, management of crop residues and organic materials, and crop cultivar. Optimally supplying rice with essential nutrients as and when needed to achieve high yield and high efficiency of input use involves three steps.

a. The first step is to establish an attainable yield target, which is location and season-specific depending upon climate, rice cultivar, and crop management. This yield target or goal reflects the total amount of nutrients that must be taken up by the crop.

- b. The second step is to ensure effective use of existing indigenous nutrients such as from soil, organic amendments, crop residue, manure, and irrigation water.
- c. The third step is to apply fertilizer to dynamically fill the deficit between crop needs and indigenous supply and to maintain soil fertility.

The nutrient omission plot technique is a tool for determining crop requirements for fertilizers in rice field. (Buresh, 2007) [3]. Site-specific nutrient management is a set of nutrient management principles combined with good crop management practices that will help farmers attain high yield and achieve high profitability both in the short- and medium-term. SSNM provides an approach for the timely application of fertilizers at optimal rates to fill the deficit between the nutrient needs of a high-yielding crop and the nutrient supply from naturally occurring indigenous sources, including soil, crop residues, manures, and irrigation water. SSNM strives to enable farmers to dynamically adjust fertilizer use to optimally fill the deficit between the nutrient needs of a high-yielding crop and the nutrient supply of naturally occurring indigenous sources such as soil, crop residues, manures and irrigation water (Dobermann *et al.* 2002; Buresh *et al.* 2010) [4]. The SSNM approach has shown the potential to improve

productivity and profitability in intensive rice cropping systems of Asia and Africa. (Jinger *et al.* 2017) [12].

Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) is cultivated in more than hundred countries and undoubtedly a dominant staple food of world and 91 per cent of the world's area and production of rice grown and consumed in Asia (Dobermann and Witt, 2003) [9]. Rice is the most rapidly growing food source in Africa and it is of significant importance to food security in an increasing number of low-income, food-deficit countries (FAO, 2004) [10].

Material and Methods

1. Experimental design: Treatments were laid out in Completely Randomized Design. Treatments were replicated thrice. There was 11 treatments in *Vertisol* and also in *Inceptisol*. All treatments were applied in pots, the treatments for both the soils were same, only two treatments were different.

2. Management of the pots: During *kharif* season the pots were maintained with 3 cm standing water. Remaining doses of nitrogen was applied at tillering and panicle initiation stage. Crop was grown till maturity and harvested on 2th November, 2017.

3. Treatment Details

<i>Vertisols</i>		<i>Inceptisols</i>	
Treatment -1 (T ₁)	All (N, P, K, S, Fe, Mn, Cu, Zn, B, Mo)	Treatment -1 (T ₁)	All (N, P, K, S, Ca, Mg, Cu, Zn, B, Mo)
Treatment -2 (T ₂)	All - N	Treatment -2 (T ₂)	All - N
Treatment -3 (T ₃)	All - P	Treatment -3 (T ₃)	All - P
Treatment- 4 (T ₄)	All - K	Treatment- 4 (T ₄)	All - K
Treatment- 5 (T ₅)	All - S	Treatment- 5 (T ₅)	All - S
Treatment- 6 (T ₆)	All - Fe	Treatment- 6 (T ₆)	All - Ca
Treatment- 7 (T ₇)	All - Mn	Treatment- 7 (T ₇)	All - Mg
Treatment- 8 (T ₈)	All - Cu	Treatment- 8 (T ₈)	All - Cu
Treatment- 9 (T ₉)	All - Zn	Treatment- 9 (T ₉)	All - Zn
Treatment- 10 (T ₁₀)	All - B	Treatment- 10 (T ₁₀)	All - B
Treatment- 11 (T ₁₁)	All - Mo	Treatment- 11 (T ₁₁)	All - Mo

4. Statistical analysis

Statistical analyses of the data in Completely Randomized Design were computed with standard methods of experimental design.

Results and Discussions

In order to accomplish the objectives of the present study, the experiment was conducted on rice crop during the *Kharif* season of 2017 at the College of Agriculture and research Station, IGKV, Mungeli district and in *Rabi* season, wheat crop was grown on Farmers field and compared with SSNM dose formulated based on *kharif* season's experiment.

Plant nutrient content

1. Nutrient content in rice grain grown in *Vertisol*

Experimental results showed that, P, Ca, Mg and S content in rice grain were significantly affected with application of different treatments (Table 1). But experimental treatments were failed to exert any significant effect on N and K content in rice grain. The highest P (0.24%), Ca (0.21%), Mg (0.16%) and S (0.16%) contents in rice grain were recorded in the treatment that received all the nutrients (T₁) which was statistically at par with treatment T₂, T₄ and T₁₁ in case of P; T₂ in case of Ca and T₈ and T₁₀ in case of S content. Similar as macronutrient,

Table 1: Macro nutrient content (%) of rice grain as affected by different treatments in *Vertiso*

Treatments	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Potassium	Calcium	Magnesium	Sulphur
T ₁ All	1.23	0.24	0.55	0.21	0.16	0.16
T ₂ All - N	1.21	0.23	0.53	0.20	0.10	0.15
T ₃ All - P	1.19	0.20	0.53	0.19	0.15	0.14
T ₄ All - K	1.20	0.22	0.50	0.18	0.14	0.14
T ₅ All - S	1.18	0.21	0.51	0.19	0.14	0.13
T ₆ All - Fe	1.27	0.21	0.48	0.15	0.15	0.14
T ₇ All - Mn	1.17	0.20	0.49	0.16	0.15	0.15
T ₈ All - Cu	1.18	0.19	0.51	0.15	0.13	0.16
T ₉ All - Zn	1.19	0.20	0.50	0.17	0.12	0.15
T ₁₀ All - B	1.20	0.19	0.49	0.18	0.14	0.16
T ₁₁ All - Mo	1.16	0.22	0.47	0.18	0.12	0.15
SE(m)	0.04	0.007	0.017	0.006	0.005	0.006
C.D.at 5%	NS	0.021	NS	0.017	0.015	0.016

2 Nutrient content in rice straw grown in *Vertisol*

The results pertaining to nutrient content in rice straw grown in *Vertisols* as influenced by different treatments are illustrated in table 1 and table 2.

Experimental results showed that application of different treatments were failed to exert any significant effect on K, Ca,

Mg and S content in rice straw while, N and P content were significantly varied under study (Table 1). Treatment T₁₁ had recorded significantly higher value of N content (0.43%) and was at par with treatments T₁, T₆, T₇, T₁₁ and T₁₀. Significantly higher P content (0.11%) was recorded in treatment that received all nutrients (T₁).

Table 2: Macro nutrient content (%) of rice straw as affected by different treatments in *Vertisol*

Treatments	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Potassium	Calcium	Magnesium	Sulphur
T ₁ All	0.42	0.11	1.32	0.72	0.39	0.084
T ₂ All - N	0.39	0.08	1.31	0.70	0.38	0.082
T ₃ All - P	0.37	0.08	1.30	0.71	0.37	0.081
T ₄ All - K	0.39	0.09	1.28	0.69	0.36	0.079
T ₅ All - S	0.38	0.07	1.27	0.68	0.37	0.077
T ₆ All - Fe	0.41	0.08	1.29	0.66	0.35	0.081
T ₇ All - Mn	0.42	0.09	1.30	0.69	0.34	0.081
T ₈ All - Cu	0.37	0.09	1.31	0.71	0.35	0.078
T ₉ All - Zn	0.39	0.08	1.32	0.71	0.36	0.077
T ₁₀ All - B	0.41	0.09	1.26	0.70	0.37	0.079
T ₁₁ All - Mo	0.43	0.08	1.27	0.68	0.36	0.080
SE(m)	0.013	0.004	0.042	0.024	0.012	0.005
C.D. at 5%	0.038	0.013	NS	NS	NS	NS

3. Nutrient content in rice grain grown in *Inceptisol*

Data presented in fig 1 showed that applications of different treatments were significantly affected the macro nutrient content (P, K, Ca, Mg and S) except N content in rice grain. Significantly, the highest P (0.22%), K (0.53%), Ca (0.20%),

Mg (0.13%) and S (0.15%) contents were recorded in treatment received all nutrients (T₁) which was at par with treatments T₂ and T₁₁ in case of P content; T₂, T₃, T₄ and T₁₀ in case of K content; T₂ in case of Ca content; T₂, T₃ and T₁₁ in case of Mg content; T₂, T₃, T₆ and T₁₀ in case of S content.

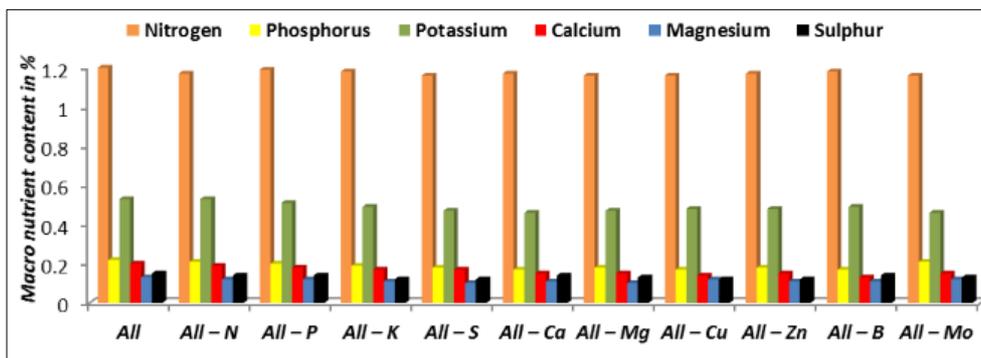


Fig 1: Macro nutrient content (%) of rice grain as affected by different treatments in *in ceptisol*

4. Nutrient content in rice straw grown in *in ceptisol*

Application of different treatments were significantly altered the N, P and Mg content in rice straw (Fig: 2). K, Ca and S contents were not affected in present experiment. The highest value of P (0.10%) and Mg (0.37%) content were recorded in

treatment that received all nutrients (T₁). Treatment T₁₁ (Omission of Mo) showed the maximum value of N content (0.41%) in rice straw which was at par with treatments T₁, T₂, T₆ and T₇.

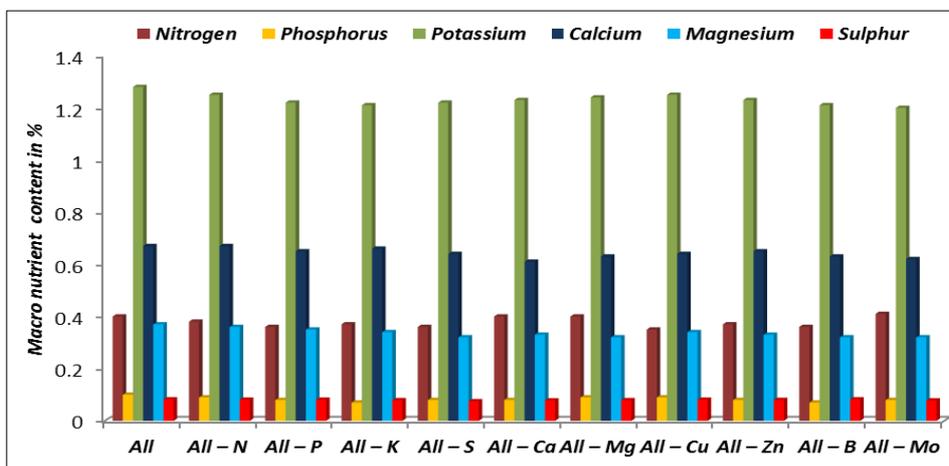


Fig 2: Macro nutrient content (%) of rice straw as affected by different treatments in *Inceptisol*.

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