



A SURVEY AND ANALYSIS OF SOIL FOR MICRONUTRIENTS IN PLANT OF VARIOUS AREAS OF NORTH GUJARAT

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ABSTRACT

To outline a decent inspecting arrangement for soil testing. One needs to consider the fundamental certainties identified with soil development. We are managing complex frameworks, where organic, concoction and physical factors all cooperate. At that point soil and water are interconnected, and cultivating rehearses influence both soil quality. A concise clarification of a portion of these essential components identified with soils will be canvassed in this part.

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Soil, Alluvial sandy soils, Nitrogen, Phosphorus

INTRODUCTION

The beginning common richness of the parent material (Kansas soils, for instance, have a tendency to be normally high in potassium), The subtraction of supplements because of disintegration and harvest use since the land has been worked (by and large for as far back as 100 years or somewhere in the vicinity), and Increments of manure sources, for example, excrements, fertilizers, vegetables, and mineral composts. When outlining a dirt inspecting program, one needs to think about these variables. Knowing the dirt kind (from soil study maps), geography, and field narratives (crops developed and richness sources) will enable you to outline an arrangement to answer particular homestead administration questions. In Mehana locale agribusiness is reliant on water system – water system is done through channels, save, wells, bore-wells and tube-wells. Because of trenches, stores and bore wells, there has been an expansion in the developed region. Because of the last three rural celebrations, the ranchers have begun embracing logical techniques and legitimate utilization of enhanced seeds and concoction composts is finished. The ranchers have received trickle water system strategy and in this way decreased farming expense and expanded this pay. The horticultural division of the area panchayat embraces program for mindfulness, preparing workshops and instructive sours for ranchers keeping in mind the end goal to give them appropriate direction. Help is given to ranchers amid characteristic catastrophes through yield protection conspire. Mishap protection plot, for ranchers; Also help is given amid surges when the harvests flop because of soil disintegration. The area is arranged between 230.15' N. Scope and 720.46' to 720.26 E longitude Banaskantha area is arranged toward the North-East, Patan locale toward the North-West a piece of Ahmedabad region toward the south and south-east, Surendranagar region toward the South-West and Gandhinagar region toward the East. Add up to topographical zone of the area is 439374 hectares which is isolated into 9 talukas and 599 towns. The primary streams are Khari, Rupen and Pushpawali. The primary control of the general population of this region is horticulture and creature rising. The well known Dudh-Sagar dairy is arranged in this locale. The locale has 375661 hectares and farming area, 43712 hectares of waste land and 30442 hectares of field arrive. Kheralu, Satlasana and Vadnagar talukas have sandy soil and Mehana, Unjha, Visnagar and Vijapur talukas have great rich land, while Becharaji taluka has less and the dirt is saline and semi-dark. In the Southern piece of Kadi taluka has delicate soil thus saddy is developed there. Subsequently the region has different sorts of soil. Harvests are

developed amid all the 3 rarer in the locale for the most part edits likes cotton, wheat, mustard seeds, cumin seeds, fennel seeds, castor, millet and so forth are developed. The Gujarat Agricultural University us dealing with a flavours examine focus at Jaggudan and wheat inquire about focus at Vijapur. In the year 2004-2005 59 hectares were secured by trickle water system framework and 461 hectares in the year 2007-2008. Over the most recent three years, sufficient precipitation has occurred thus the water levels have likewise risen.

Procedure of soil arrangement

The procedure of soil arrangement has been going ahead since the surface of the earth and factors that figure out what the dirt looks like now incorporate;

- Parent material (the stone from which it framed),
- Time (is this a "youthful" soil or an "old" soil),
- Climate,
- Topography,
- Biological forms.

The parent material and shake, will frequently decide the essential science of the dirt. Soils framed from limestone for instance, will have a local. And common pH that is higher than soil shaped from different materials. On the off chance that one takes a gander at a dirt profile, or cross segment. You will discover the parent material and shake in the lower layers. In Kansas, the vast majority of our dirt has been shaped from limestone, shale, or sandstone. A few soils have been framed from a unique soil that was shaped in another area, and afterward moved. Soil saved by water, for instance a stream. It's called alluvium. Wind stored soils, normal in parts of the immense fields. It's called loess.

Table 1: Cropping pattern

No.	Farming system/enterprise
1	Groundnut-Potato/tobacco -Pearl millet/Sorghum
2	Cotton/groundnut – Wheat- sorghum
3	Castor
4	Fennel
5	Pulses/Sesame –Cumin
6	Pulses-Mustard-Pearl millet/Sorghum
7	Pulses-Fennel

Agro ecological situation in district:

Sr. No	Agro-ecological situation	Soil texture	Rainfall (mm)	Altitude	Principal crop	Special Features	Approximate area ('000 ha)	Taluka
1	Alluvial sandy soils with medium rain fall	Sandy and loamy sand	700-850	150-300	Pearl millet , Sorghum	Pearl millet best cropping system	134.8 (5.83 %)	Kheralu
2	Alluvial sandy soils with low rain fall	Sandy loam	500-700	150-300	Pearl millet , Mustard	Pearl millet best cropping system	48.8 (2.11%)	Visnagar
3	Alluvial sandy loam soils with medium rain fall	Sandy loam	700-850	150-300	Pearl millet , Sorghum	Flat topography with 5 % slope	377.8 (16.34%)	Vijapur, Major(80%) part of Kadi and Mehana

4	Medium black ill-drained soils with medium rainfall	Sandy, Clay loam and clay	700-850	25-75	Rice, Cotton	Area has impeded drainage with saline sub-soil water	48.6 (2.1 %)	Parts (20 %) of Kadi
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Soil type and Characteristics

S. No	Soil type	Characteristics	Area in ha
1	Medium black	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium water holding capacity, Medium permeability 	64500
2	Sandy loam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retain more water and nutrient than sandy soil and black soil 	259700
3	Sandy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low water holding capacity High permeability 	28900
4	Saline/salt affected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salt accumulates on soil surface, Water logging condition, Crack formation during summer season It contain excess neutral soluble salts chiefly chlorides and sulphate of Na, Mg and Ca 	81900
Total			435000

This empowers professionals to suggest the tests that are well on the way to uncover valuable data.

Lab tests frequently check for plant supplements in three classes:

- Major supplements: nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P), and potassium (K)
- Secondary supplements: sulphur, calcium, magnesium
- Minor supplements: press, manganese, copper, zinc, boron, molybdenum, chlorine

EXPERIMENTAL WORK

Identification of soil samples

We are collecting soil sample from different village of Mehsana and Patan district, north Gujarat for soil quality analysis. And table for soil sample identification are as under.

Sample no	Name of Village	Name of Taluka
1.	Sujanpur	Sidhpur
2.	Meloj	Sidhpur
3.	Jetpur	Mehsana
4.	Jetalvasna	Mehsana

pH Of Soil

Soil PH ranges as follows

Sr. No.	Denomination	pH range
1.	Ultra acid	<3.5
2.	Extremely acidic	3.5-4.4
3.	Very strongly acidic	4.5-5.0
4.	Strongly acidic	5.1-5.5
5.	Moderately acidic	5.6-6.0
6.	Slightly acidic	6.1-6.5
7.	Neutral	6.6-7.3
8.	Slightly alkaline	7.4-7.8
9.	Moderately alkaline	7.9-8.4
10.	Strongly alkaline	8.5-9.0
11.	Very strong alkaline	>9.0

Result table of pH for Soil:

Sample no.	Reading	Inference
Blank	0	--
1.	8.48	Moderately alkaline
2.	8.41	Moderately alkaline
3.	8.58	Moderately alkaline
Mean	8.49	Moderately alkaline
Minimum	8.41	Moderately alkaline
Maximum	8.58	Moderately alkaline

CONCLUSION:

Based on the pH values, the soils may be classified as follows: The conclusion should be given as per following criteria.

- If pH of soil test is under 6.5 (Acidic) than it is require liming for recovery.
- If pH of soil test is 6.5 to 7.5 (Normal) than it is Optimum for generally trims.
- If pH of soil test is 7.5 to 8.5 (Alkaline) than it is require utilization of organization. fertilizers.
- If pH of soil test is more noteworthy than 8.5 (Alkali) than it is requires gypsum for enhancement.

Electrical conductivity of soil

Result table of EC for soil:

Sample no.	Reading of EC (in mmhos/cm)	Inference
1.	0.2054	Normal
2.	0.1764	Normal
3.	0.3640	Normal
Mean	0.2486	Normal
Minimum	0.1764	Normal
Maximum	0.3640	Normal

CONCLUSION:

Based on the EC values, the soils may be classified as follows:

- If EC of soil test results 0.8 to 1 than it is basic for salt touchy harvests.
- If EC of soil test results 1.6 to 2.5 than it is basic for salt tolerant.
- If EC of soil test is under 2.5 than it is damaging to generally edits.

Organic carbon

On the basis of organic carbon content, soil can be classified as follows.

Amount of OC in soil	Parameter
<0.5%	Law
0.5% to 0.75%	Medium
>0.75%	High

RESULT TABLE OF ORGANIC CARBON:

Sample no.	Reading (ml)	Result (%)	Inference
Blank	21.9	---	---
1.	20.1	0.90 %	High
2.	20.9	0.15 %	Medium
3.	16.9	0.75 %	Medium
Mean	---	0.6 %	Medium
Minimum	---	0.15 %	Low
Maximum	---	0.90 %	High

Observation

- Weight of soil W = 1 gm
- Normally of $K_2Cr_2O_7$ used = 1.0N
- Volume of $K_2Cr_2O_7$ added in soil sample = 10ml
- Volume of 0.5N $Fe(NH_4)(SO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ used for blank (B) = 21.8ml

Calculation

$$\% \text{ organic carbon} = \frac{(x-y) \times 0.003 \times 100}{2 \times W (\text{weight of soil} = 10\text{gm})}$$

Or
 $= (X - Y) \times 0.15 (\text{factor})$ Where, X= Blank reading and Y= Sample reading

Calculation of 3 samples is as follow by above equation.

- % organic carbon = $(21.8 - 20.1) \times 0.15 = 0.90 \%$
- % organic carbon = $(21.8 - 20.9) \times 0.15 = 0.15 \%$
- % organic carbon = $(21.9 - 16.9) \times 0.15 = 0.75 \%$

CONCLUSION:

The conclusion should be given as following criteria, on the basis of organic carbon content soil is classified as following If the estimation of % OC is under 0.5% than this dirt example is law in OC.

If the estimation of % OC is 0.5-7.5% than this dirt example is medium in OC.

If the estimation of % OC is more prominent than 0.75% than this dirt example is high in OC.

ESTIMATION OF VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF SOIL

Nitrogen

Result Table of Nitrogen:

Sample no.	Reading (ml)	Result (kg/ha)	Inference
Blank	1.4	---	---
1.	3.9	78.4	Low
2.	2.8	43.909	Low
3.	2.8	43.909	Low
Mean	---	55.406	Low
Minimum	---	43.909	Low
Maximum	---	78.4	Low

Observation

1. Weight of soil sample = 10 gm
2. Volume of 0.01N H₂SO₄ used for blank (B) = 1.0 ml
3. Volume of 0.01 N H₂SO₄ used for soil sample = S

Calculation

1000 ml 1.0 N H₂SO₄ = 14 g N
 1000 ml 0.1 N H₂SO₄ = 1.4 g N
 1.0 ml 0.1 N H₂SO₄ = 0.0014 g N

$$N \text{ (In kg/ha)} = \frac{(S-B) \times 0.00014 \times 100 \times 1000 \times 2.24}{\text{Weight of soil sample (10 gm)}} \quad \text{Where, B = Blank reading}$$

$$S = \text{Sample reading}$$
 Or

$$N \text{ (In kg/ha)} = \text{reading (R)} \times 31.36 \text{ (Factor)}$$

Calculation of 3 soil samples is as follow by above equation.

- 1) N (In kg/ha) = (3.9 - 1.4) × 31.36 = 78.4
- 2) N (In kg/ha) = (2.8 - 1.4) × 31.36 = 43.904
- 3) N (In kg/ha) = (2.8 - 1.4) × 31.36 = 43.904

CONCLUSION:

In light of the pH esteems, the dirt might be named takes after: in view of the accessible N, soil being delegated taken after:

- If the estimation of open nitrogen in soil results under 250 kg/ha, than the measurement of nitrogen in soil considered less.
- If the estimation of open nitrogen in soil results 250 to 500 kg/ha, than the measurement of nitrogen in soil considered medium.
- If the estimation of open nitrogen in soil is more noticeable than 500 kg/ha, than the measurement of nitrogen in soil considered high.

Phosphorus

Sample no.	Reading (O.D)	Result (kg/ha)	Inference
1.	0.028	28.98	High
2.	0.020	17.94	Low
3.	0.030	31.74	Medium
Mean	---	43.47	Medium
Minimum	---	20.70	Low
Maximum	---	71.76	High

Calculation

$$P_2O_5 \text{ (In kg/ha)} = \text{ABSreading (R)} \times 1380$$

Calculation of 3 soil samples is as follow by above equation.

- 1) P₂O₅ (In kg/ha) = (0.028 - 0.007) × 1380 = 28.98
- 2) P₂O₅ (In kg/ha) = (0.020 - 0.007) × 1380 = 17.94
- 3) P₂O₅ (In kg/ha) = (0.039 - 0.004) × 1380 = 48.30
- 4) P₂O₅ (In kg/ha) = (0.030 - 0.004) × 1380 = 31.74

CONCLUSION:

In light of the pH esteems, the dirt might be named takes after: in light of the measure of accessible P₂O₅, soil being delegated takes after:

- If the estimation of available phosphorus in soil under 28 kg/ha than the measure of nitrogen in soil is less.
- If the estimation of available phosphorus in soil is 28 to 56 kg/ha than the measure of nitrogen in soil is medium.
- If the estimation of available phosphorus in soil is more noticeable than 56 kg/ha than the measure of nitrogen in soil is high.

Potash : Result Table of Potash:

Sample no.	Reading (PPM)	Result (kg/ha)	Inference
1.	13	174.72	High
2.	18	241.91	High

3.	21	282.24	High
Mean	---	232.9567	High
Minimum	---	174.72	High
Maximum	---	282.24	High

Calculation

$$K_2O \text{ (In kg/ha)} = \text{Reading of flame photomet (R)} \times 13.44 \text{ (factor)}$$

Calculation of 3 soil samples is as follow by above equation.

- 1) K₂O (In kg/ha) = 13 × 13.44 = 174.72
- 2) K₂O (In kg/ha) = 18 × 13.44 = 241.91
- 3) K₂O (in kg/ha) = 21 × 13.44 = 282.24

CONCLUSION:

Based on the pH values, the soils may be classified as follows based on the amount of available potash, soil being classified as follows:

- If the estimation of accessible potash in soil is under 140 kg K₂O/ha than the amount of potash in soil is low.
- If the estimation of an accessible potash in soil is 140 to 280 kg K₂O/ha than the amount of potash in soil is medium.
- If the estimation of accessible potash in soil is more noteworthy than 280 kg K₂O/ha than the amount of potash in soil is high.

ESTIMATION OF MICRONUTRIENTS

Micronutrients

Result Table of Iron:

Sample no.	Reading (PPM)	Result (PPM)	Inference
1.	1.88	3.76	Medium
2.	2.71	5.42	Medium
3.	3.15	6.30	Medium
Mean	---	5.16	Medium
Minimum	---	3.76	Medium
Maximum	---	6.60	Medium

CONCLUSION:

The conclusion should be given as per following criteria, based on the amount of available iron, soil being classified as follow:

- If the estimation of accessible Iron in soil is under 5 mg Fe/kg than the amount of iron in soil is Low.
- If the estimation of accessible Iron in soil is 5 to 10 mg Fe/kg than the amount of iron in soil is Medium.
- If the estimation of accessible Iron in soil is more prominent than 10 mg Fe/kg than the amount of iron in soil is high.

Manganese:s Result Table Of Manganese:

Sample no.	Reading (PPM)	Result (PPM)	Inference
1.	4.47	8.94	High
2.	5.01	10.02	High
3.	3.34	6.68	High
Mean	---	8.547	High
Minimum	---	6.68	High
Maximum	---	10.02	High

CONCLUSION:

The conclusion ought to be given as per following criteria, in light of the measure of accessible manganese, soil being delegated takes after:

- In the event that the estimation of available manganese in soil is under 5 mg Mn per kg than the measure of manganese in soil is Low.
- In the event that the estimation of available manganese in soil is 5 to 10 mg Mn per kg than the measure of manganese in soil is Medium.
- If the estimation of open manganese in soil is more essential than 10 mg Mn per kg than the measure of manganese in soil is high.

Zinc

Result Table of Zinc:

Sample no.	Reading (PPM)	Result (PPM)	Inference
1.	0.01	0.02	High
2.	0.05	1	High
3.	0.01	0.02	High
Mean	---	0.52	High
Minimum	---	0.02	High
Maximum	---	1	High

CONCLUSION:

The conclusion ought to be given as following criteria, in view of the measure of accessible zinc, soil being named takes after:

- If the estimation of available zinc in soil is under 0.5 mg Zn/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is Low.
- On the off chance that the estimation of open zinc in soil is 0.5 to 1.0 mg Zn/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is Medium.
- On the off chance that the estimation of open zinc in soil is more imperative than 1.0 mg Zn/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is high.

Copper

Result Table of Copper:

Sample no.	Reading (PPM)	Result (PPM)	Inference
1.	0.08	0.16	Medium
2.	0.49	0.98	High
3.	0.29	0.58	High
Mean	---	0.573	High
Minimum	---	0.16	Medium
Maximum	---	0.98	High

CONCLUSION:

The conclusion ought to be given as following criteria, in light of the measure of accessible copper, soil being named takes after:

- If the estimation of open copper in soil is under 0.2 mg Cu/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is Low.
- If the estimation of open copper in soil is 0.2 to 0.4 mg Cu/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is Medium.
- If the estimation of open copper in soil is more noticeable than 0.4 mg Cu/kg than the measure of zinc in soil is high.

Conclusion for pH, EC and OC

Sample no.	pH	EC	OC
1.	8.48	0.2054	0.90 %
2.	8.41	0.1764	0.15 %
3.	8.58	0.3640	0.75 %
Mean	8.49	0.2486	0.6 %
Minimum	8.41	0.1764	0.15 %
Maximum	8.58	0.3640	0.90 %

From the above data we can say that the average soil of Mehsana and Patan district pH is slightly alkaline, EC is Normal, and organic carbon is low.

CONCLUSION**Conclusion for nitrogen, phosphorus and potash**

Sample no.	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Potash
1.	78.4	28.98	174.72
2.	43.909	17.94	241.91
3.	43.909	31.74	282.24
Mean	55.406	43.47	232.9567
Minimum	43.909	20.70	174.72
Maximum	78.4	71.76	282.24

For the data we can say that the soil of Mehsana and Patan district of nitrogen present in low amount, potash is high amount and phosphorus is present in medium amount.

Conclusion for micronutrients

Sample no.	Fe	Mn	Zn	Cu
1.	3.76	8.94	0.02	0.16
2.	5.42	10.02	1	0.98
3.	6.30	6.68	0.02	0.58
4.	5.16	8.547	0.52	0.573
Mean	3.76	6.68	0.02	0.16
Minimum	6.60	10.02	1	0.98
Maximum	3.76	8.94	0.02	0.16

From the data we can say that the soil of Mehsana and Patan district contain high amount of zinc and copper, medium amount of manganese and iron.