

RESEARCH ARTICLE: Soil properties and yield of sorghum-wheat sequence as affected by long term integrated nutrient management

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ARTICLE CHRONICLE : SUMMARY: A permanent field experiment is continued since 1984-85 at AICRP on Integrated Farming **Received :** System Research Farm, Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri, Maharashtra with a view to find out 19.07.2017; the soil properties of sorghum [Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench] -wheat (Triticum aestivum L.) crop Accepted : sequence as affected by long term integrated nutrient management. The long term impact of integrated 03.08.2017 nutrient management on soil properties were studied after 32nd cycle (2015-16). The treatment comprised different levels of recommended dose of fertilizers (RDF) viz., 50, 75, 100% RDF in combination with and without farm yardmanure, wheat straw and green manure. The results indicated that, among the chemical properties soil pH and the electrical conductivity was recorded non-significant. The highest organic carbon percentage was observed in treatment receiving chemical fertilizers along with FYM. It was significantly improved (0.71, 0.69%) with the application of 50% NPK + 50% N through FYM (T₂) and **KEY WORDS:** lowest value (0.44, 0.41%) was observed in absolute control. The influence on soil properties ultimately Integrated nutrient reflected in higher yield of sorghum and wheat in the same treatment. It is also observed that the soil management, FYM, propertieswere significantly correlated with yield. Hence, it can be concluded that the use of 50% NPK pH, EC, Organic + 50% N through FYM is imperative for sustainable productivity and maintenance of soil fertility. carbon, Vertisols

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