

# Effects of Nitrogen different Sources of nitrogen on various Soil Properties and on Wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) Production

## Abstract

An experiment was conducted at the Agriculture Research Farm, Shri Durga Ji Post Graduate College, Chandeshwar, Azamgarh, Uttar Pradesh during winter session of 2019-20, to assess the effects of nitrogen sources on the production of wheat and soil properties.

Among nitrogen content in grain and total uptake of nitrogen were significantly affected by various treatments and highest with T<sub>1</sub> recommended dose of N through inorganic source and significantly superior over T<sub>2</sub> recommended dose of N through organic source. The availability of N was not significantly influenced by various treatments.

**Key words:** Organic source, Recommended dose of N, organic source, nitrogen content, recommended dose, in grain and total uptake of nitrogen, wheat production were significantly.

## Introduction

Wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) belongs to the family Gramineae (Poaceae), it is a staple food across the globe of the world. The important and economic consideration for increasing wheat production is the effective use of nitrogen fertilization. Nitrogen fertilizer usage is the most important factor in front of a wheat agronomist to achieve high yield targets. About 91% of the total wheat production is contributed by northern states of India (Authority?). India is one of the major wheat producing and consuming country. Of the world In India, wheat is cultivated on an area of 29.14 million hectare with having mean annual production of 102.20 million tonnes and productivity level of 3140 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> (Authority?) respectively. It constitutes contributes about 34% of total food grain production of the country (Authority?). Among them, Uttar Pradesh ranks first in respect to area 9.734 million ha and production 32.74 million tonnes but the productivity is much lower (3113 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) than Punjab (5097 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) and Haryana (5182 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) (Anonymous, 2018-19). Nitrogen is an essential nutrient among essential plant nutrients, play key role in plant growth, development and reproduction. Though nitrogen is one of the most abundant elements on earth, still nitrogen deficiency is probably the most common nutritional problem affecting plants worldwide. Number of tillers m<sup>-2</sup> in wheat increased when N rate was

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increased (Mossedaq and Smith 1994; Iqtidar *et al.*, 2006). To cope with this situation and to compensate for nitrogen losses due to usage of synthetic N fertilizerations, the inclusion of organic sources of nutrients become the are considered the best possible solution for N management for wheat production. Application of farmyard manure (FYM) to soil have been practiced for many centuries and its application to soil have increased crop yield, improved soil fertility, increased soil organic matter, increased microbiological activities and improved soil structure for sustainable agriculture (Blair *et al.*, 2006; Kundu *et al.*, 2007).What is the objective of the study)

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### Materials and methods

The experiment was conducted at Agriculture Research Farm of Shri Durga Ji Post Graduate College, Chandeshwar, Azamgarh during winter season of 2019-20 using wheat (variety Kundan-DL-153-2) as test crop. The experiment comprised of five (5) treatments used under were tested in randomized block design with four (4) replications using with gross plot size 4.0 m x 5.0 m with wheat sowing at 20 cm within rows. Number of plants m<sup>-2</sup> was counted from one square meter from three places (marked with sticks) in each plot at 20 DAS and averaged out. Five plants were tagged randomly in each plot for data collection on recording plant height in cm at 30, 60, and 90 DAS. The height was measured from ground surface to the base of fully opened leaf before the ear emergence and up to the base of ear head after heading and averaged out. Total number of shoots per meter row length was counted in from 3 places (marked with sticks) in each plot at 30, 60, and 90 days after sowing. Plants were harvested from 25 cm row length from two places in the second row on either side in each plot at 30, 60, 90 and 105 DAS and at harvest. The plants were sun dried separately and then oven dried at 70°C ± 2°C till a constant weight was obtained. By summing the values of dry weight of plant, dry matter accumulation of plants per meter row length was computed.

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**Table 1: Treatment details**

T <sub>1</sub>	Recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source (120 Kg) urea.
T <sub>2</sub>	Recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source (FYM)
T <sub>3</sub>	75% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic + 25% of recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source (FYM)
T <sub>4</sub>	50% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic + 50% of recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source (FYM)
T <sub>5</sub>	25% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic + 75% of

recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source (FYM)

### Available nitrogen (Kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)

Available nitrogen content in soil sample was estimated by the alkaline permanagante method as described by Subbiah and Asija (1956).

#### Note

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### Plant analysis

Analysis of grain and straw samples at harvest was carried out for their nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium contents. Each sample was first dried in the sun and finally in an oven at 70 ± 2 °C and ground in Wiley mill. Grinded grain and straw samples weighted 0.2 and 0.5 g, respectively were digested in diacid mixture of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>+ HClO<sub>4</sub> (4:1). After digestion, a known volume was made with glass distilled water and stored in well washed plastic bottles after filtration through Whatman filter paper no.42. All the estimations in the aliquot were made according to the following procedures:

- (a) Nitrogen content was determined by Nessler's reagent method (Linder, 1944).

### Nitrogen uptake by crop (Kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)

Grains and straw of wheat samples from each plot were analyzed by modified micro Kjeldahl's method as suggested by (Jackson, 1973). Nitrogen content in grain and straw thus obtained separately was multiplied by with the respective dry matter yield. The values of both were expressed as total nitrogen uptake by the crop in Kg ha<sup>-1</sup>.

Total nitrogen uptake (kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) = N uptake by grain (kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) + N uptake by straw (kg ha<sup>-1</sup>).

$$\text{N uptake by grain (kg ha}^{-1}\text{)} = \frac{\text{N content in grain (\%)} \times \text{Grain yield (kg ha}^{-1}\text{)}}{100}$$

$$\text{N uptake by straw (kg ha}^{-1}\text{)} = \frac{\text{N content in straw (\%)} \times \text{Straw yield (kg ha}^{-1}\text{)}}{100}$$

### Results and discussion

**Table 2: Nitrogen content, uptake in grain and straw of wheat as influenced by different sources of Nitrogen**

Treatments	N content (%)		N uptake (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )		Total uptake (kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )
	grain	straw	grain	straw	
T <sub>1</sub> -Recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source	1.44	0.38	69.70	24.56	94.26
T <sub>2</sub> -Recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source	1.34	0.36	35.64	13.02	48.66
T <sub>3</sub> -75% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source + 25% of recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source	1.56	0.43	61.09	21.30	82.39
T <sub>4</sub> -50% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source + 50% of recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source	1.50	0.42	50.89	18.02	68.92
T <sub>5</sub> -25% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source + 75% of recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source	1.46	0.41	39.93	14.83	54.76
<b>SEm±</b>	<b>0.016</b>	<b>0.004</b>	<b>1.746</b>	<b>0.636</b>	<b>1.886</b>
<b>CD at 5%</b>	<b>0.048</b>	<b>0.013</b>	<b>5.381</b>	<b>1.960</b>	<b>5.812</b>

### Wheat Nnitrogen content (%)

Data ~~on plant pertaining to the~~ nitrogen contents ~~shown in (Table 2)~~ revealed that the nitrogen content was highest in the grains than in straws and the mean differences between the. ~~The nitrogen content in~~ grains and straws were significantly ~~affected different~~ due to by the ~~application of~~ various treatments. Maximum nitrogen content in grain (1.44%) was ~~obtained~~ found with the treatment T<sub>1</sub> ~~(recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic sources)~~ and was significantly higher overwith the rest of the treatments. ~~The least~~ Minimum nitrogen content in grain was ~~recorded~~ obtained with T<sub>2</sub> (recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source).

### Nitrogen uptake (Kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)

The data ~~shown in the (Table 2)~~ revealed that nitrogen uptake was significantly affected by the various fertilizer treatments. T<sub>1</sub> ~~(recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source)~~ resulted in highest uptake of N in the grain (69.70 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) ~~and which~~ was ~~found~~ significantly higher than the rest of the treatment. ~~The least~~ Minimum nitrogen uptake was ~~obtained~~ recorded inwith T<sub>2</sub> (recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source).

### Total nitrogen uptake (Kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)

The ~~data on~~ total N uptake ~~of nitrogen given in (Table 2)~~ ~~showed~~ revealed that the total uptake of nitrogen also followed the same trend as observed ~~in its uptake~~ in grain and straw uptakes.

The ~~highest~~ maximum nitrogen content in grain (1.44%) was observed under treatment T<sub>1</sub>, which was the recommended dose of N through inorganic source ~~which and~~ was significantly higher than the rest of the other treatments. However, same trend ~~also ar~~ found ~~obtained for~~ the nitrogen content in the straw was observed among the treatments. Similarly the nitrogen uptake in grain and straw was significantly higher in T<sub>1</sub> than the rest of the treatments. Similar trend was observed in the total nitrogen uptake ~~of nitrogen~~. This was perhaps due to improved availability of nitrogen in the soils resulting from the fertilizer uages. The results are in corroboration confirmation with the findings of Chaudhary *et al.* (1997) and Parmar and Sharma (1996).

The maximum available nitrogen (172.50 kg ha<sup>-1</sup>) in the soil was observed with T<sub>3</sub> 75% of recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source + 25% of recommended

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dose of nitrogen through organic source was higher than T<sub>2</sub> recommended dose of nitrogen through organic source and T<sub>1</sub> recommended dose of nitrogen through inorganic source but not significantly affected by any of the treatment. The results ~~showed exhibited~~ that ~~the~~ integrated nutrient application through organic and inorganic fertilizer used in a suitable combination improved the soil fertility ~~than use of inorganic fertilizers alone~~. Similar results were reported by Bhiday (1994), Singh *et al.* (1999).

### Conclusion

Nitrogen content in grain and total uptake of nitrogen were significantly affected by ~~the~~ various treatment ~~sources~~ and ~~this was~~ highest with ~~the use of the T<sub>1</sub>~~ recommended dose of N through inorganic source (~~T<sub>1</sub>~~) and significantly superior over ~~T<sub>2</sub>~~ recommended dose of N through organic source (~~T<sub>2</sub>~~).

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