

Original Research Article

Effects of Organic Manures and Inorganic Fertilizer on Growth and Yield Performance of Radish (*Raphanus sativus* L.) cv. Japanese White

Abstract

A Field experiment was conducted during Kharif season of 2018 at the research farm in Udai Pratap (Autonomous) College, Varanasi (U.P.). The site was adjoining to the Department of Horticulture of the College. The experiment consisted of Six treatments comprising of combinations of recommended doses of organic and inorganic manures (FYM, Vermicompost and poultry manures). The experiment was laid out in a randomized complete block design with three replications. The applications of 50% RDN through Vermicompost at 7.5 ton/ha + 50% RDN through poultry manures at 5 ton/ha (T₄) resulted in maximum value of growth and yield attributes viz. maximum growth (i.e. leaf length), yield parameters (i.e. root length, root weight, root diameter, root yield/ plot) and root yield q/ha. It was revealed from the data obtained that the significantly maximum root yield/ha of radish was recorded with the application of 50% RDN through Vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manures (PP with organic methods) (T₄) along with maximum net return of ... and maximum benefit cost ratio.

Keywords: Radish, organic manure, growth, yield, FYM, inorganic RDN.

Introduction

Radish (*Raphanus sativus* L.) belongs to the family Brassicaceae. It is a popular root vegetable crop that Radish belongs to the genus *Raphanus* and species *sativus*. It is originated from Europe and Asia. It is mainly a cool season crop and it is popular in both tropical and temperate regions. In India, during 2018-19 radish was cultivated on an area of 209,000 ha thousand hectares with annual production of 3061,000 MT thousand metric tonnes (NHB, 2018-19). It is cultivated throughout India, mostly in West Bengal, Bihar, U.P., M.P.,

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Punjab, Assam, Haryana, Gujarat and H.P. Radish is grown for its young tender tuberous root which is consumed either cooked or raw. It is a good source of vitamin-Ce and minerals like calcium, potassium and phosphorus. It has refreshing and diuretic properties and -It is also used for treatment of neurological headache, sleeplessness and chronic ~~diarroeheadiarrhoea~~, as well as. ~~The roots are also useful in~~ urinary complaints and piles. The leaves of radish are good sources for the extraction of protein on a commercial scale, while the and radish seeds are potential sources of non-drying fatty oil that is suitable for soap making, illuminating and edible purposes. (Kumar, *et al.*, 2014). Due to increasing demands for food supply by the ever-growing population, production systems using chemicals and fertilizers were adopted. This has dramatic effect on the enhancement of production and productivity, but not without a cost. Continuous use of chemical fertilizers has resulted in nutritional imbalance, depletion of soil organic matter, contamination of food and water, adverse effect on biodiversity as well as on human health (provide Authority)-Supply of nutrients through organic sources can be opted for, to ~~avoiding~~ the hazardous effects of fertilizers and maintaining sustainability. Organic agriculture is derived as a production system, which largely excludes or completely avoids the use of synthetically compounded pesticides, fertilizers, growth regulators, preservatives and livestock feed additives (provide Authority). Organic manures are extremely advantageous in enriching soil fertility and do not contain any chemicals which are harmful. ~~Organic manures it~~ feed the soil and maintain its sustainability in the agro-ecosystem (provide Authority). Organic components like FYM, vermicompost and poultry manures may play a major role in supplementing the crop nutrients through their direct addition, improvement in soil ~~condition, condition~~; nitrogen fixation and solubilisation of fixed forms of phosphorus and zinc in soil (provide Authority).

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Materials and methods

The field experiment was conducted during *Kharif* season of 2018 on the research farm of Udai Pratap (Autonomous) College, Varanasi (U.P.) that is adjoining to the Department of Horticulture. The soils of Varanasi formed on alluvial, deposited by river Ganga was used for the study. The experiment was conducted under randomized block design (RBD) with six treatment combinations (T₀- Control, T₁ -Conventional practices- recommended FYM + fertilizer + PP with chemicals, T₂ -100% RDN through Vermicompost, T₃ (100% RDN through FYM). The T treatments were replicated thrice for a making the total ~~number~~ of 18 plots. The S seeds of radish were sown on 24th Oct., 2018 ~~treatment wise~~ by hand dibbling

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method. The field was prepared by ploughing with disc and cross harrowing followed by planking in all the plots. Nitrogen, Phosphorus and potassium at 60:50:50 kg NPK per ha as NPK through the combined use in the form of urea, di-ammonium phosphate and muriate of potash, while FYM, Vermicompost, and poultry manures were respectively applied as a basal-dose-as-per treatments. The seeds of radish were sown at a spacing of 45 x 10 cm on ridges and. The seed sowing was done at 1.25 cm deep to facilitate good root production. After sowing, the seeds were covered properly with soil by the using of rake. The seeds were sown at the rate of 12 kg/ha. The first light irrigation was carried out given on 27st Oct., 2018, while and subsequent irrigations were carried out given as and when required at an interval of 5 to 8 days depending upon the soil moisture condition. Two Manual weeding was carried out twice, with the first and second weeding at 15 and 30 days after and second at 30 days after seedling germination were done manually. The observations on different growth and yield parameters were recorded on ten randomly selected competitive plants from each treatment replication per plot in each replication. The data collected includes recorded on various parameters were subdivided into two categories during the period of experimentation. Growth parameters such as (Leaf length (cm) and Number of leaves per plant), and Yield parameters such as (Root length (cm), Root diameter (cm), Root weight (g), Total yield per plot (kg), which was extrapolated to Total yield per hectare (q)), while and maximum gross return, net return, maximum benefit cost ratio of treatments were calculated. The details of treatment combinations presented in Table 1.

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Results and discussion

Growth and yield performance attributing traits:

The leaf length increased significantly with the increased crop growth period. At 45 days after sowing was, the significantly maximum leaf length of 17.84 cm (Table no-2), which was obtained under was recorded in T₄ (50% RDN through Vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods), while. The minimum leaf length of 12.23 cm was obtained served in T₀ (Control zero application). The trends findings were in agreement with the results by of Zhou-Dongmei *et al.* (2005)¹, Rani *et al.* (2006)², Sunandarani and Mallareddy (2007)³, Uddain *et al.* (2010)⁴, Yanthan *et al.* (2012)⁵, Kumar *et al.* (2014)⁶. The number of leaves/plant recorded at 45 days after sowing, showed the a

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highest maximum value number of 13.18 leaves per plant (Table no-1) was recorded in T₁ (Conventional practices recommended FYM + fertilizer + PP with chemicals). The least minimum number of leaf was 8.46 leaves/plant which was obtained recorded in T₀ (Control zero application). The increase in number of leaves obtained when under fertilizer treatments may be due to the vital macro and micronutrients availability with vermicompost (Giraddi, 1993)⁷, Abbey L. (2000)⁸ reported that application of vermicompost appears to be very effective amendment in onion production. The increased number of leaves and leaf area in Bhunmyalaki (*Phyllanthus amarus schum*) with the application of poultry manures along with FYM were recorded by Chezhiyan *et al.* (2003)⁹. The maximum root length of 23.26 cm obtained was recorded in T₄ (50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods). The least minimum root length of 13.34 cm for was recorded in T₀ (Control zero application). The maximum root diameter of 4.02 cm was recorded in T₄ (50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods). The minimum root diameter of but was 2.62 cm for was recorded in T₀ (Control zero application).

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Yield parameters and Economics Returns: The data presented in Table- 3 shows that there was significantly maximum high root weight of 197.52g with was recorded in T₄ application (50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods) which was followed respectively by T₂ (100% RDN through vermicompost) (PP with organic methods) with 164.68 g, T₁ (Conventional practices recommended FYM + fertilizer + PP with chemicals) with 163.72 g, T₅ (50% RDN through FYM + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods) with 148.36g and T₃ (100% RDN through FYM) (PP with organic methods) with 140.12g. The least minimum root weight of 124.26 g was recorded under in T₀ (Control zero application). While T₄ the maximum root yield of 6.55 kg/plot was recorded under in T₄ (50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods). The lowest minimum root yield of 3.51 kg was recorded in T₀ (Control zero application) and T₀. The highest maximum root yield of 390.12 kg quintals per hectare was recorded in T₄ (50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods). The lowest minimum root yield of 245.37 quintals / hectare was recorded in T₀ (Control zero application). The highest yield obtained in T₄ might be as a resultant of the

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higher growth ~~and yield~~ attributes of the radish plants resulting from the treatment applications and probably. ~~This might be~~ due to the higher ~~availability of the~~ nutrients that were readily available form fertilizers and the low C: N ratio of the soils. These findings are in agreement with the findings of Sharma *et al.* (2003)¹⁰, Anjaiah *et al.* (2006)¹¹, Ahmad *et al.* (2005)¹², Kumar *et al.* (2017)¹³, Kanaujia *et al.* (2010)¹⁴, Reddy *et al.* (2011)¹⁵, Yanthan *et al.* (2012)¹⁶, Mali *et al.* (2018)¹⁷, Khade *et al.* (2019)¹⁸ and Khatri *et al.* (2019)¹⁹.

~~The data presented in~~ Table-3 ~~showed~~ revealed that the higher ~~maximum~~ net return of Rs. 187817/ ha with benefit: cost ratio of 2.20 was recorded using ~~in~~ T₄ ~~(50% RDN through Vermicompost + 50% RDN poultry manure) (PP with organic methods)~~. It was followed respectively by T₀ (Control) with net income of Rs 107992/ha and ~~long with~~ benefit cost ratio of 1.69, T₂ ~~(100% RDN through Vermicompost) (PP with organic methods)~~ with net income of Rs. 141328/ ha and ~~long with~~ benefit: cost ratio of 1.62, T₅ ~~(50% RDN through FYM + 50% RDN through poultry manure) (PP with organic methods)~~ with net income of Rs.121031/ha and ~~long with~~ benefit: cost ratio of 1.40, T₁ ~~(Conventional practices recommended FYM + fertilizer + PP with chemicals)~~ with net income of Rs.140998/ha and ~~long with~~ benefit: cost ratio of 1.64. ~~and~~ The minimum net income of T₃ ~~(100% RDN through FYM) (PP with organic methods)~~ with net income of Rs. 105784/ ha and ~~long with~~ benefit: cost ratio of 1.19.

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Conclusions:

On the basis of the results ~~present investigation~~, it was concluded that T₄ the application of 50% RDN through vermicompost+ 50% RDN through poultry manure (PP with organic methods) (T₄) was found significantly superior ~~as~~ compared to other organic manures and it resulted to optimal recorded maximum growth in the plant (i.e. leaf length), the yield parameters in terms of (i.e. root length, root weight, root diameter and root yield/ plot) and finally, the root yield per q/ha. ~~It is revealed from the data obtained that the~~ significantly optimal ~~maximum~~ radish root yield of 390.12q/ha ~~of radish~~ was recorded with the application of 50% RDN through vermicompost + 50% RDN through poultry manure (PP with organic methods) (T₄) along with ~~maximum~~ net return of Rs.187817 and benefit cost ratio of 2.20, compared to the lower values obtained using the other treatments.

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Table No-2: Effect of fertilizer ~~different~~ treatments on growth and yield attributes sing ~~traits~~ of Radish.

Treatments	Leaf length at 45 DAS (cm)	Number of leaves per plant	Root length (cm)	Root diameter (cm)
T ₀	12.23	8.46	13.34	2.62
T ₁	15.56	13.18	19.55	3.32
T ₂	15.92	12.44	19.66	3.34
T ₃	14.22	11.92	16.76	2.84
T ₄	17.84	12.76	23.26	4.02
T ₅	14.88	12.18	17.92	3.00

SEm ±	0.46	0.39	0.68	0.20
CD (P=0.05)	1.44	1.24	2.14	0.63

Table No-3 Effect of fertilizer-different treatments on yield parameters and eEconomics returns onf Radish production.

Treatments	Root weight (g)	Root yield per plot (kg)	Root yield (q/ha)	Gross return(Rs.)*	Net return (Rs.)	B:C ratio
T ₀	124.26	3.51	245.37	171759	107992	1.69
T ₁	163.70	5.23	323.84	226688	140998	1.64
T ₂	164.68	5.93	325.85	228095	141328	1.62
T ₃	140.12	4.26	277.93	194551	105784	1.19
T ₄	197.52	6.55	390.12	273084	187817	2.20
T ₅	148.36	5.40	296.14	207298	121031	1.40
SEm ±	0.43	0.44	0.96			
CD (P=0.05)	1.34	1.38	3.01			