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# Fertility Status of Soils Along The Water Course of Selected Distributory-6 of Shahapur Branch Canal Of UKP Command Area In Yadgir District of Karnataka

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Available nitrogen content was comparatively more in surface soils than in sub surface soils all along the water course of distributory-6. Available phosphorous status in soils at the tail reach was comparatively more than that of head reach. Irrespective of surface and sub surface soils available potassium status was medium and was comparatively less in sub surface than in surface soils. However increasing trend of potassium from head to tail via middle reach along the water course was observed. Available sulphur status was medium in surface and low in sub surface soils all along the water course. Available nitrogen, phosphorous, potassium and sulphur were strongly correlated with organic carbon (0.950, 0.989, 0.986 and 0.989) and dehydrogenase activity (0.934, 0.979, 0.980 and 0.982). Higher concentration of DTPA extractable micronutrients namely, Fe, Cu and Zn in surface than in sub surface soils was observed all along the water course. However fertility status of soils along the water course was low with respect to both available N and P, medium with respect to available K, S, Fe and Zn while high with respect to available Cu and Mn.

Keywords: Available nutrients, Organic carbon and Dehydrogenase activity

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## INTRODUCTION

Fertile soil and irrigation are the two key factors for well flourished civilization and Mohenjo-Daro and Harappa in the Indus valley is the evident for it. At global level 20 per cent of total cultivated land is under irrigation and its contribution to the total food production of the world is 40 per cent and on an average crop yield from irrigated land is two times more than that of rain fed. Thus irrigation continues to play an important role in contributing to the food and fibre production and is one of the vital factors to achieve food sufficiency at global level and India is also not exceptional for it.

Success of green revolution in India is mainly attributed to high yielding varieties accompanied by chemical fertilizers and irrigation. However the success did not last long due to improper management of agricultural inputs and natural resources. Excessive use of chemicals and water for irrigation accompanied by excessive tillage, neglecting both organic manures and balanced integrated plant nutrition lead to deterioration of physical, chemical and biological properties and processes of soil which in turn decreased soil fertility and thereby drastic reduction in productive capacity of soils in command areas. Thus present investigation on assessing the soil fertility status of red soils along the water course of selected distributory-6 of Shahapur branch canal of UKP command area.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

The area selected for the present study includes Shahapur and Shorapur taluks of Yadgir district and survey work was carried out during the year 2014-15 which is lies between North latitude  $16^{\circ}36'58.40''$  to  $16^{\circ}74'11.63''$  and East longitude  $76^{\circ}38'04.99''$  to  $76^{\circ}97'31.66''$  along the water course of Shahapur branch canal of UKP command area (fig. 1). The study area is characterised by semi arid climatic condition, with the average rainfall of 872.02 mm of which 74 % is received during south-west monsoon, 16 per cent during north-east monsoon and 8 per cent during summer season. The minimum

temperature is recorded during December (15.68°C) and maximum in May (40.33°C). The maximum temperature remains between 29.91°C to 35.33°C from June to December. The mean relative humidity for forenoon and afternoon is 65.94 and 49.10 %, respectively. The mean monthly relative humidity is the highest in the month of September (81.33 %) and the lowest in March (46.84 %). At the middle reach of SBC, the red soil area under paddy land use along the water course of distributory-6 was selected for the study and distributory-6 was divided into head, middle and tail sections. From each section of the distributory-6, one lateral was selected. Again each of these laterals was divided into head, middle and tail sections. Composite soil samples, one from each soil depths namely 0-20 and 20-40 cm were drawn from the three sub samples from the respective soil depths collected from the fields and each of these sub samples were from head, middle and tail reaches of each lateral. Thus 18 soil samples were collected from the fields along the water course at the head recorded using GPS. Collected soil samples were air dried in shade, ground in wooden pestle and mortar, passed through 2.00 mm sieve and the mineral matter left on the sieve was washed, dried, weighed and expressed as percent gravels content of total soil. Processed soil samples were analysed for particle size classes, bulk density, available water, soil reaction organic carbon and dehydrogenase activity following standard procedures and however soil samples were analysed for dehydrogenase activity within ten days from date of sampling. Particle size analysis of soil was done by International pipette method (Piper, 1966) [1] based on the principle of Stoke's law. Bulk density of soil was determined by core sampler method (Black, 1965) [2] two composite soil core samples from each sections of the laterals at an interval of 0-20 and 20-40 cm soil depths were collected, using soil core samplers. Available water content of soil was determined by using pressure plate apparatus (Richard's, 1954) [3].

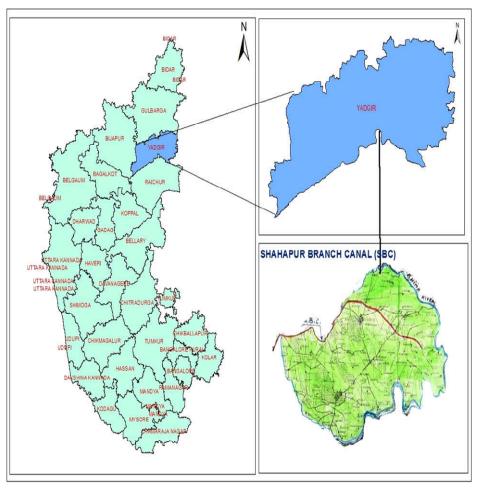


Fig. 1. Location map of SBC of UKP command area selected for study

Soil reaction was determined potentiometrically in 1:2.5 soil water suspension (Jackson, 1973) [4]. Organic carbon content of soil was determined by Walkley and Black's(1934) [5] by using wet oxidation method. Exchangeable potassium extracted by neutral normal ammonium acetate and was estimated flame photometrically (Jackson, 1973) [4]. Available nitrogen content of soil was determined by alkaline potassium permanganate method (Subbaiah and Asija, 1956) [6] using digestion cum distillation unit

KELPLUS-CLASSIC DX (VA). Available phosphorus in soil was extracted by Olsen's extractant NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (Jackson, 1973) [4] and the intensity of blue colour of phosphorus in the extract developed by stannous chloride was measured at 660 nm using spectrophotometer. Available sulphur in the soil was extracted using 0.15% calcium chloride reagent as outlined by Jackson (1973) [4]. The sulphur in the extract was estimated by turbidometric method using  $BaCl_2$  as stabilizing agent. Available micronutrients *viz.*, Fe, Mn, Cu and Zn present in soil were extracted by Diethylene triamine penta acetic acid (DTPA) as per the procedure outlined by Lindsay and Norwell (1978) [7].

Dehydrogenase activity of soil was determined as per the procedure outlined by (Casida *et al.*, 1964) [8]. Available nutrients were subjected to Pearson's correlation with soil properties to know the impact of soil properties on available nutrients status as the soil properties are influenced by continuous irrigation and land use for more than 30 years.

#### RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Soil texture (Table 1) was slightly gravelly sandy loam in surface and gravelly sandy loam in sub surface soils all along the water course. Soil bulk density was comparatively more in sub surface than in surface soils all along the water course. Available water content of soils increased with depth all along the water course and from head to tail reaches via middle reach of distributory-6. Irrespective of head, middle and tail reaches of water course along the laterals of distributory-6, sub surface soils recorded the highest pH as compared to surface soils and however soils were neither saline nor sodic as the pH of soils was in between 6.5 to 7.5. Electrical conductivity of soils was less than 4 dS m<sup>-1</sup> along the water course in both surface and sub surface of distributory-6 and thus soils were non saline. Organic matter content was comparatively more in surface than in sub surface soils of distributory-6 and however fertility status of soils with respect to organic matter was medium in surface and low in sub surface soils. In both surface and subsurface cation exchange capacity showed increasing trend along the water course and however CEC was more in subsurface than in surface along the water course. Dehydrogenase activity also followed the trend of organic carbon with depth as well as along the water course.

Nitrogen (N): In general available nitrogen content in soils all along the water course was low (Table 3) and this could be attributed to rapid oxidation of organic matter as climate is tropical. Comparatively more available nitrogen in surface soils (169.56 to 179.39 kg/ha) than in sub surface soils (140.62 to 147.16 kg/ha) at head, middle and tail reaches of distributory-6 and this could be attributed to both low organic carbon content and low activity of dehydrogenase at subsurface as compared to surface soils and it was further supported by the strong correlation available nitrogen with both organic carbon (0.950) and dehydrogenase activity (0.934). However available nitrogen content all along the water course was almost same as present land use all along water course of distributory-4 was paddy. Tukura *et al.* (2013) [9] also observed lower content of available nitrogen in soils at head reach as compared to that of tail reach.

Phosphorous ( $P_2O_5$ ): Comparatively more available phosphorous (Table 3) in soils at the tail reach of surface (22.79 to 23.65 kg/ha) and subsurface (15.96 to 16.99 kg/ha) soils and as compared that of head reach surface (20.08 to 21.45 kg/ha) and subsurface (14.94 to 16.48 kg/ha) soils of distributory-6 could be attributed to transportation of phosphorous along with finer soil particles through water erosion from head to tail reach against slope gradient and lower available phosphorous at sub surface as compared to that of surface could be attributed to immobile nature of  $P_2O_5$ . Similar kind of observations was reported by Tukura *et al.* (2013) [9].

Potassium (K<sub>2</sub>O): Irrespective of surface and sub surface soils available potassium status was medium (Table 3) and was comparatively less in sub surface (146.81 to 152.80 kg/ha) than in surface (215.24 to 234.40 kg/ha) soils as potassium is less mobile in soil. However increasing trend of potassium from head to tail *via* middle reach along the water course of distributory-6 could be attributed to the transportation of potassium along with water from head to tail reach along the slope gradient and accumulation of same in soils at tail reach. Similar kind of observation was reported by Finck and venkateswaralu, (1982) [10]. Sulphur (S): Available sulphur status (Table 3) was medium in surface (10.61 to 10.81 mg/kg) and low in sub surface (8.91 to 9.11 mg/kg) soils of head, middle and tail reaches of distributory-6. Decreasing trend of available sulphur with depth could be attributed to the more of organic matter in surface than in sub surface and however correlation studies indicated positively significant relation between organic matter and available sulphur (0.989). Increasing trend of available sulphur from head to tail reach laterals *via* middle reach could be attributed to transportation as well as seepage of available sulphur along with water from head to tail reach due to differences in elevation and these values are comparable to those reported by Balanagoudar and Satyanarayana (1990) [11] Vertisols of north Karnataka.

Available micronutrients: Comparatively higher concentration of DTPA extractable micronutrients (Table 4) namely, Fe, Cu and Zn in surface than in sub surface soils along the water course of distributory-6 where these metallic cations decreased from head to tail reach and this could be attributed to less mobility

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and chelating of these metallic micro nutrients with organic matter as the organic matter content was more in surface and head reach soils than in sub surface and tail reach soils Correlation coefficient values was positive but non significant for Fe, Cu and Zn were 0.371, 0.356 and 0.353 respectively in relation to organic matter. These findings are in agreement with Ghafoor and Rasool (1999) [12]. Distribution of DTPA extractable Mn was same as that of iron copper and zinc with depth and reverse of these metallic cations along the water course.

## CONCLUSION

Primary available nutrients nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium as well as the secondary available nutrient sulphur showed decreasing trend with depth all along the water course of distributory-6 and at head and middle and tail reach followed the trend same as that of rest of primary and secondary nutrients. Available micronutrients namely Fe, Mn, Cu and Zn was more in surface than in sub surface and it showed decreasing trend from head to tail reach with exception to that of Mn which showed the trend reverse to that of rest of micronutrients along the water course. Fertility status of both surface and sub surface soils along the water course was low with respect to both N and P, medium with respect to K, Fe and Zn, while high with respect to Cu and Mn. Sulphur status was medium in surface and low in sub surface soils.

Table 1. Particle size distribution in fine earth and whole soil (%) along the water course of diostributory-6

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Particle	Distributory	T	Head			vater course s	ections/reach Middle	ies	Tail				
size class	6	Coord	linates	Soi	l depth (cm)	Coord	inates	Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates			lepth m)
	Laterals	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20- 40
	1		<b></b>	<b></b>		Lateral-19	9			Lateral-20	<b></b>	<b>'</b>	
Coarse	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51''	12.56	15.69	16º29'51.82'	76º44'38.20'	12.39	15.56	16º29'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	12.31	15.33
fragments	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76º44'21.77"	12.40	15.60	16º29'42.57'	76º44'37.02'	12.28	15.55	16º29'14.34'	76º45'29.35'	12.20	15.33
	Tail	16º30'04.15''	76º44'17.40''	12.28	15.48	16º29'15.88'	76º44'28.70'	12.21	15.40	16º29'06.68'	76º45'32.35'	12.15	15.24
	Mean			12.42	15.59			12.30	15.50			12.21	15.30
Coarse	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	51.70	48.11	16º29'51.82'	76º44'38.20'	51.36	47.85	16º29'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	51.25	47.65
sand	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76º44'21.77''	51.70	48.09	16º29'42.57'	76º44'37.02' '	51.28	47.73	16º29'14.34'	76º45'29.35' '	51.02	47.36
	Tail	16º30'04.15''	76º44'17.40''	51.60	47.96	16º29'15.88'	76º44'28.70'	51.17	47.59	16º29'06.68'	76º45'32.35'	50.89	47.27
	Mean			51.67	48.05			51.27	47.72			51.05	47.43
Fine sand	Head	16º30'06.66"	76044'27.51"	17.33	16.66	16º29'51.82'	76º44'38.20'	17.31	16.61	16029'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	17.20	16.60
	Middle	16º30'06.78''	76º44'21.77"	17.13	16.57	16º29'42.57'	76º44'37.02'	17.09	16.55	16º29'14.34'	76º45'29.35'	17.06	16.46
	Tail	16º30'04.15''	76º44'17.40''	16.98	16.50	16º29'15.88' '	76º44'28.70'	16.89	16.39	16º29'06.68'	76º45'32.35'	16.81	16.14
	Mean			17.15	16.58			17.10	16.51			17.02	16.40
	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	Γ	Γ	16º29'51.82'	76044'38.20'	T		16º29'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	Γ	
Total sand	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76°44'21.77"	69.03	64.77	16º29'42.57'	76°44'37.02'	68.67	64.46	16º29'14.34'	76°45'29.35'	68.45	64.25
	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76º44'17.40''	68.83	64.66	, 16º29'15.88'	76°44'28.70'	68.37	64.28	, 16º29'06.68'	, 76º45'32.35'	68.08	63.82
	Mean			68.58	64.46	,	,	68.06	63.98	'	,	67.70	63.41
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		68.81	64.65	l	l	68.37	64.24			68.08	63.83
Silt	Head	16º30'06.66''	76º44'27.51"	15.33	15.51	16º29'51.82'	'	15.57	15.74	16º29'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	15.67	15.76
	Middle	16º30'06.78''	76º44'21.77"	15.49	15.51	16º29'42.57'	76º44'37.02'	15.73	15.78	16º29'14.34'	76º45'29.35'	15.86	16.01
	Tail	16º30'04.15''	76º44'17.40"	15.52	15.58	16º29'15.88'	76º44'28.70'	15.77	15.82	16º29'06.68'	76º45'32.35'	16.05	16.23
	Mean			15.45	15.53			15.69	15.78			15.86	16.00
Clay	Head	16º30'06.66''	76º44'27.51"	15.64	19.62	16º29'51.82'	76º44'38.20'	15.77	19.80	16º29'21.22'	76º45'27.58'	15.88	19.99
	Middle	16º30'06.78''	76º44'21.77''	15.69	19.83	16º29'42.57'	76º44'37.02' '	15.90	19.94	16º29'14.34'	76º45'29.35'	16.06	20.17
	Tail	16º30'04.15''	76º44'17.40''	15.90	20.06	16º29'15.88'	76º44'28.70'	16.17	20.21	16º29'06.68'	76º45'32.35'	16.25	20.36
	Mean			15.74	19.84			15.95	19.98			16.06	20.17

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Table 2. physical and chemical properties of soil along the water course of distributory-6

	Water course sections/reaches													
chemical qual-	Distributory-	T	Head			Ī	Middle			Tail				
ity indicators	6	Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		
	Laterals	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	
			Lateral-18	1	L		Lateral-19	1	L	•	Lateral-20	<b>.</b>	1	
Bulk	Head	16º30'06.66"	76044'27.51"	1.53	1.61	16º29'51.82"	76044'38.20"	1.53	1.61	16º29'21.22"	76045'27.58"	1.53	1.61	
density	Middle	16930'06.78"	76044'21.77"	1.53	1.61	16º29'42.57"	76044'37.02"	1.52	1.60	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	1.52	1.60	
(Mg m <sup>-3</sup> )	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76044'17.40''	1.52	1.60	16029'15.88''	76º44'28.70"	1.52	1.60	16º29'06.68''	76045'32.35"	1.51	1.59	
	Mean			1.53	1.61			1.52	1.61			1.51	1.60	
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	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	7.59	8.61	16029'51.82"	76044'38.20''	7.75	8.71	16029'21.22"	76045'27.58"	7.88	8.88	
AW	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76º44'21.77"	7.70	8.75	16º29'42.57"	76044'37.02"	7.84	8.89	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	8.03	9.03	
(%)	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76º44'17.40"	7.86	8.93	16º29'15.88"	76044'28.70"	7.98	9.05	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	8.20	9.15	
	Mean	L	L	7.72	8.76	L	L	7.86	8.88		L	8.04	9.02	
	Head	16º30'06.66"	76044'27.51"	6.45	6.63	16029'51.82"	76044'38.20"	6.61	6.76	16029'21.22"	76045'27.58"	6.57	6.74	
$pH_w$	Middle	16°30'06.78"	76044'21.77"	6.51	6.68	16°29'42.57"	76044'37.02''	6.80	6.95	16°29'14.34"	76045'29.35"	6.69	6.88	
(1:2.5)	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76°44'21.77	6.53	6.69	16°29'15.88"	76044'28.70"	6.82	7.00	16°29'06.68"	76045'32.35"	7.04	7.20	
()	Mean	10-30 04.13	70-4417.40	6.50	6.66	10-2713.00	70-44 20.70	6.74	6.90	10-2700.00	70-43 32.33	6.77	6.94	
	1 Plean	L		0.50	0.00	L		1 0.7 1	0.70			0.77	1 0.71	
	Head	16º30'06.66"	76044'27.51"	13.03	15.92	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20''	13.13	16.06	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58''	13.27	16.18	
CEC	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76º44'21.77"	13.29	16.29	16º29'42.57''	76º44'37.02''	13.32	16.27	16º29'14.34''	76º45'29.35"	13.50	16.55	
{ cmol (P+) kg- 1}	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76º44'17.40''	13.37	16.47	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	13.62	16.50	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	13.74	16.60	
	Mean			13.23	16.23			13.36	16.28		1	13.50	16.44	
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	Head	16º30'06.66"	76044'27.51"	6.53	3.78	16029'51.82"	76044'38.20''	7.01	3.90	16029'21.22"	76°45'27.58"	7.69	4.06	
Organic car-	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76044'21.77"	7.11	4.06	16º29'42.57"	76044'37.02"	7.50	4.09	16°29'1434"	76°45'29.35"	8.18	4.36	
bon	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76044'17.40"	7.50	4.26	16º29'15.88"	76044'28.70"	7.69	4.45	16º29'06.68"	76045'32.35"	8.28	4.55	
(g kg·1)	Mean			7.05	4.03			7.40	4.15		1	8.05	4.32	
Dehydro- genase activ-	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	23.50	18.74	16º29'51.82''	76º44'38.20''	23.36	19.46	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58''	23.85	19.61	
ity ( mg TPF kg-1	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76º44'21.77''	24.17	19.41	16º29'42.57''	76º44'37.02''	25.35	21.75	16º29'14.34''	76º45'29.35''	25.14	21.03	
24-1hr)	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76º44'17.40''	25.48	20.43	16º29'15.88''	76º44'28.70"	26.58	21.96	16º29'06.68''	76º45'32.35"	26.87	21.44	
	Mean			24.38	19.53			25.10	21.06		1	25.29	20.69	

Table 3. Distribution of available macro nutrients in soils along the water course of distributory-6

	Table	Water course sections/reaches												
	Distributory 6		Head				Middle			Tail				
Macro nutri-		Coord	linates	Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		
ents	Laterals	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	
	nater ars		Lateral-18				Lateral-19				Lateral-20			
	Head	16º30'06.66 "	76º44'27.51'	164.27	134.40	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20"	168.00	140.00	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	175.47	142.80	
Available Ni- trogen	Middle	16º30'06.78	76°44'21.77'	170.80	144.67	16º29'42.57"	76º44'37.02"	169.87	149.33	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	179.76	147.47	
(kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Tail	16º30'04.15	76°44'17.40'	173.60	142.80	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	173.60	147.47	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	182.93	151.20	
	Mean			169.56	140.62			170.49	145.60			179.39	147.16	
		16º30'06.66	76044'27 51'	ı		1	1	1	T	ı		Γ	г	
	Head		76°44'27.51'	20.08	14.94	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20"	21.13	15.96	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	22. <b>7</b> 9	15.96	
Available P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Middle	16º30'06.78	76°44'21.77'	20.93	15.96	16º29'42.57"	76º44'37.02"	21.62	16.48	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	23.13	16.48	
(kg ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Tail	16º30'04.15	76°44'17.40'	21.45	16.48	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	22.96	16.65	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	23.65	16.99	
	Mean			20.82	15.79			21.91	16.36			23.19	16.48	
	Head	16º30'06.66	76°44'27.51'	212.92	144.40	16º29'51.82"	76°44'38.20"	220.40	146.40	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	232.00	151.20	
Available	Middle	16º30'06.78	76°44'21.77'	214.80	146.40	16º29'42.57"	76º44'37.02"	227.60	148.00	16º29'14.34"	76°45'29.35"	235.60	153.60	
(K <sub>2</sub> O) (kg ha <sup>.1</sup> )	Tail	16º30'04.15	76°44'17.40'	218.00	149.64	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	235.60	149.60	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	235.60	153.60	
	Mean			215.24	146.81			227.87	148.13			234.40	152.80	
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	Head	16º30'06.66 "	76°44'27.51'	10.57	8.87	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20"	10.69	8.99	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	10.73	9.03	
Available Sul- phur	Middle	16º30'06.78	76º44'21.77'	10.45	8.75	16º29'42.57"	76º44'37.02"	10.89	9.23	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	10.81	9.11	
(mg kg·1)	Tail	16º30'04.15	76º44'17.40'	10.81	9.11	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	10.77	9.11	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	10.89	9.15	
	Mean			10.61	8.91			10.79	9.11			10.81	9.10	

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Table 4. Distribution of available micro nutrients in soils (mg kg<sup>-1</sup>) along the water course of distributory-6

	Ι						ourse sections/							
Micro	Distribu- tory 6		Неас	i			Middl	le		Tail				
		Coord	linates	Soil depth (cm)		Coordi	Coordinates		Soil depth (cm)		Coordinates		th (cm)	
Nutrients	Laterals	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	Latitude	Longitude	0-20	20-40	
	Laterais		Lateral	-18	,		Lateral	-19			Lateral-:	20		
	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	33.73	23.40	16º29'51.82"	76044'38.20"	86.16	43.57	16029'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	7.83	4.81	
Iron	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76044'21.77"	77.67	35.10	16º29'42.57"	76°44'37.02"	8.97	7.87	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	65.70	38.98	
11011	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76°44'17.40"	36.78	23.40	16º29'15.88"	76044'28.70"	24.30	19.72	16º29'06.68"	76045'32.35"	14.28	11.72	
	Mean			49.39	27.30			39.81	23.72			29.27	18.50	
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	Head	16º30'06.66"	76º44'27.51"	12.70	7.91	16º29'51.82"	76044'38.20"	9.83	6.49	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	9.28	5.15	
Manganese	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76°44'21.77"	9.24	6.04	16º29'42.57"	76º44'37.02"	6.25	5.23	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	6.64	4.16	
Manganese	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76°44'17.40"	5.17	3.96	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	9.62	5.22	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	4.25	2.89	
	Mean			9.04	5.97			8.57	5.65			6.72	4.07	
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	Head	16º30'06.66"	76°44'27.51"	2.32	2.07	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20"	1.59	1.21	16º29'21.22"	76º45'27.58"	0.78	0.69	
Copper	Middle	16º30'06.78"	76°44'21.77"	2.22	2.00	16º29'42.57"	76°44'37.02"	0.88	0.73	16º29'14.34"	76º45'29.35"	1.56	1.47	
3377	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76044'17.40"	2.00	1.86	16º29'15.88"	76044'28.70"	1.88	1.82	16º29'06.68"	76045'32.35"	1.32	1.25	
	Mean			2.18	1.98			1.45	1.26			1.22	1.14	
	Head	16º30'06.66"	76°44'27.51"	1.31	1.17	16º29'51.82"	76º44'38.20"	1.41	1.30	16º29'21.22"	76°45'27.58"	1.10	0.98	
Zinc	Middle	16030'06.78"	76°44'21.77"	2.26	1.31	16º29'42.57"	76044'37.02"	1.10	1.01	16º29'14.34"	76045'29.35"	1.08	1.02	
	Tail	16º30'04.15"	76044'17.40''	1.28	1.17	16º29'15.88"	76º44'28.70"	1.32	1.05	16º29'06.68"	76º45'32.35"	1.08	0.98	
	Mean	T		1.62	1.21	1		1.28	1.12			1.09	0.99	

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