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PREFACE

A large number of agricultural field experiments on different problems is being conducted in the country by Central and State Governments, Research Institutes, Commodity Committees and other organisations engaged in agricultural research. In addition, a number of schemes involving field experimentation is sponsored by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research in different States. The absence of a unified record of the results of these various experiments has considerably handicapped planning of further research and development and has often led to duplication of efforts.

Vaidyanathan brought out in 1933 a useful catalogue of manurial experiments conducted in India till then. Considering that Vaidyanathan's work was confined to manurial experiments and the fact that an enormous increase has taken place in the number and scope of agronomic experiments in recent years in India, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research launched the scheme of National Index of Field Experiments in 1954. The object of the scheme was two-fold :

(i) the preparation of compendium of all the field experiments for the period 1935-53 and

(ii) the preparation of index cards for individual experiments from 1954 onwards.

Under the scheme, results of all agricultural field experiments other than purely varietal trials were to be consolidated. Subsequently at the time of the extension of the scheme in 1959 it was decided that the compendium would be prepared in the first instance for the period 1948-53 and a similar compendium would be prepared for the period 1954-59. The present series for the period 1948-53 has been prepared in pursuance of this decision.

The compendium is divided into 15 volumes one each for (1) Andhra Pradesh (2) Assam, Manipur and Tripura (3) Bihar (4) Gujarat (5) Kerala (6) Madhya Pradesh (7) Madras (8) Maharashtra (9) Mysore (10) Orissa (11) Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh (12) Rajasthan (13) Uttar Pradesh (14) West Bengal and (15) all Central Institutes. In each volume back-ground information of the respective State regarding its physical features, soils, rainfall and climate, agricultural production and area under different crops is given. A map showing different regions of the State, soils and agricultural research farms is also included. The experiments reported in each volume have been arranged cropwise for each State. All the experiments belonging to a particular crop at various research stations are grouped together. For a particular crop, experiments are arranged according to the following classification :

Manurial (M), Cultural (C), Irrigational (I), Diseases, Pests and Chemicals other than fertilisers (D), Rotational (R), Mixed Cropping (X) and combinations of these wherever they occur (e.g., CM as Cultural-cum-Manurial). Experiments in which crop varieties also form a factor are denoted by adding V to their symbol and are given together (e.g., MV as Manurial-cum-Varietal). The results of an experiment are given along with other basic information such as rotation of crops followed, cultural practices adopted, etc.

For making maximum use of the experimental data all the important tables giving the average yields of various treatments along with the appropriate standard errors have been presented. No attempt has, however, been made to summarise the data of groups of experiments on any particular item and to draw any general conclusions. This will be done for the period 1948-59 while publishing the compendium for the period 1954-59.

This publication is the result of the co-operative endeavour of a large number of persons both at the Centre and in the States. I should particularly mention in this connection, guidance and help rendered in the formulation of the scheme by Dr. D.J. Finney F.R.S. of Aberdeen University, Scotland, during his stay at the Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics as an F.A.O. Statistical Expert in 1952-53.

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At the Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics, the work under the scheme was carried out under the supervision and guidance of Shri T.P. Abraham, Assistant Statistical Adviser. Shri G.A. Kulkarni, Statistician, looked after the detailed working of the scheme. These officers have been largely responsible for the preparation of the manuscript of the compendium and it is a pleasure to thank them for the hard work they have put in for getting this compendium ready. Messrs O.P. Kathuria, B.V. Srikantiah, M.L. Sahni, B.P. Dyundi, S.D. Bal and P.K. Jain of the statistical staff of the Institute deserve special mention for their careful scrutiny of the data and preparation of the material for the compendium. Thanks are also due to Dr. Uttam Chand, Professor of Statistics, now with the Central Statistical Organisation, Shri K.S. Avadhany, Assistant Statistician, also now with the Central Statistical Organisation, and Shri K.C. Raut, Statistician in this office who were associated with the scheme in its initial stages.

The burden of collecting data from original records by visiting different research stations and the analysis of a large number of experiments, only the primary data for which had been recorded in the files, fell on the regional staff appointed by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research in different States. They deserve to be congratulated for the patient work they have put in. The State Departments of Agriculture, Central Institutes and Commodity Committees made data for the experiments conducted within their jurisdiction readily available. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research acknowledges this willing co-operation without which the consolidation of the results would not have been possible. Various State officers who helped the project by making the data accessible to the statistical staff of the project and worked as the regional supervisors for the scheme also deserve thanks by the Council for their active help. The list of names of the regional supervisors is given on the following page.

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**ABBREVIATIONS COMMON TO EXPERIMENTS ON ANNUAL AND
PERENNIAL CROPS AND EXPERIMENTS ON CULTIVATORS'
FIELDS**

Crop :- In the top left corner is given the name of the crop on which the experiment is conducted. Within brackets along side the crop is mentioned the season wherever the information is available.

Ref :- Against the sub-title 'reference' is mentioned the name of the State, the year in which the experiment is conducted and the serial number of the experiment for that year given in brackets.

Abbreviations adopted for States are as follows :-

A.P.	Andhra Pradesh	Mn.	Manipur
As.	Assam	Mh.	Maharashtra
Bh.	Bihar	Ms.	Mysore
Di.	Delhi	M.P.	Madhya Pradesh
Gj.	Gujarat	Or.	Orissa
H.P.	Himachal Pradesh	Pb.	Punjab
J.K.	Jammu & Kashmir	Rj.	Rajasthan
K.	Kerala	Tr.	Tripura
M.	Madras	U.P.	Uttar Pradesh
		W.B.	West Bengal

Repetition of the experiment in other years is indicated in the same line against 'reference' by stating the year and serial number for each repetition side by side *e.g.* U.P. 53(19)/52(42)/51(20) etc.

Site :- Name of the Research Station is mentioned along with the place where it is located, *e.g.* Agri. Res. Stn. for Agricultural Research Station.

For Central Institutes, the corresponding standard abbreviations have been adopted *e.g.* I.A.R.I. for Indian Agricultural Research Institute.

Type :- Abbreviations used against this item are one or more than one of the following :-

C—Cultural ; D—Control of Diseases and Pests ; I—Irrigational ; M—Manurial ; R—Rotational ; V—Varietal and X—Mixed cropping. *e.g.* CM. is to be read as Cultural-cum-Manurial.

Results :- Information under this heading should be read against the following items :-

(i) General mean. (ii) S.E. per plot. (iii) Result of test of significance. (iv) Summary table (s) with S.E. of comparison (s).

Abbreviations used in the text of the experiments :-

ac.—acre.	C.L.—Cart load.
Ammo. Phos.—Ammonium Phosphate.	C.M.—Cattle Manure.
A/N—Ammonium Nitrate.	C/N—Chilean Nitrate.
A/S—Ammonium Sulphate.	C/S—Copper Sulphate.
B.D.—Basal Dressing.	F.M.—Fish Meal or Fish Manure.
B.M.—Bone Meal.	F.W.C.—Farm Waste Compost.

F.Y.M.—Farm Yard Manure.	N.—Nitrogen.
G.M.—Green Manure.	Nitro phos—Nitro phosphate.
G.N.C.—Groundnut cake.	P.—Phosphate.
K.—Potash.	Pot. Sul.—Potassium Sulphate.
lb.—Pounds.	Super—Super Phosphate.
M.C.—Municipal Compost.	T.C.—Town compost.
Mur. Pot.—Muriate of Potash.	Zn. Sul.—Zinc Sulphate.

BASAL CONDITIONS

Information under the above heading to be read against the following items :

A. For annual crops :

(i) (a) Crop rotation if any. (b) Previous crop. (c) Manuring of previous crops. (State amount and kind). (ii) (a) Soil type. (b) Soil analysis. (iii) Date of sowing/planting. (iv) Cultural practices. (a) Preparatory cultivation. (b) Method of sowing/planting. (c) Seed-rate. (d) Spacing. (e) No. of seedlings per hole. (v) Basal manuring with time and method of application. (vi) Variety. (vii) Irrigated or Unirrigated. (viii) Post-sowing/planting cultural operations. (ix) Rainfall during crop season (State name of the season along with the month). (x) Date of harvest.

B. For perennial crops :

(i) History of site including manuring and other operations. (ii) (a) Soil type. (b) Soil analysis. (iii) Method of propagation of plants. (iv) Variety. (v) Date and method of sowing/planting. (vi) Age of seedling at the time of planting. (vii) Basal dressing with time and method of application. (viii) Cultural operations during the year. (ix) Inter cropping if any. (x) Irrigated or Unirrigated. (xi) Rainfall during crop season. (xii) Date of harvest.

C. For experiments on cultivators' fields :

(i) (a) Crop rotation, if any. (b) Previous crop. (c) Manuring of previous crop. (ii) Soil type in general. (iii) Basal manuring with time and method of application. (iv) Variety. (v) Cultural practices. (a) Preparatory cultivation. (b) Method of sowing. (c) Seed-rate. (d) Spacing. (e) No. of seedlings per hole. (vi) Period of sowing/planting per hold. (vii) Irrigated or Unirrigated. (viii) Post-sowing/planting cultural operations. (ix) Rainfall during crop season. (x) Period of harvesting.

DESIGN

Information under this heading to be read against the following items :

A. For annual crops :

(i) Abbreviations for designs : C.R.D.—Completely Randomised Design. R.B.D.—Randomised Block Design ; L. Sq.—Latin Square ; Confd.—Confounded ; Fact.—Factorial. (other designs and modifications of the above to be indicated in full). (ii) (a) No. of plots per block. (b) Block dimensions (iii) No. of replications. (iv) Plot size. (a) Gross. (b) Net. (v) Border or guard rows kept. (vi) Whether treatments are randomised (separately in each block).

B. For perennial crops :

(i) Abbreviations for designs : C.R.D.—Completely Randomised Design ; R.B.D.—Randomised Block Design ; L. Sq.—Latin Square ; Confd.—Confounded. (other designs and modifications of the above indicated in full). (ii) (a) No. of plots per block. (b) Block dimensions. (iii) No. of replications. (iv) No. of trees/plot. (v) Border or guard rows kept. (vi) Are treatments randomised.

C. For experiments on cultivators' fields :

(i) Method of selection of experimental sites. (ii) No. and distribution of experiments. (iii) Plot size. (a) Gross. (b) Net. (iv) Whether treatments are randomised.

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GENERAL

Information under this heading to be read against the following items :—

A. For annual crops :

(i) Crop conditions during growth with date of lodging, if any. (ii) Incidence of pests and diseases with control measures taken. (iii) Quantitative observations taken (iv) In case of repetition in successive years—(a) from what year to what year, (b) whether treatments were assigned to the same plots in the same manner every year, (c) reference to combined analysis, if any. (v) In case of repetition in other places, (a) names of the places along with reference. (b) reference to combined analysis, if any. (vi) Abnormal occurrences like heavy rains, frost, storm etc., if any. (vii) Any other important information.

B. For perennial crops :

(i) Crop condition during the year. (ii) Incidence of pests and diseases with control measures taken. (iii) Quantitative observations taken. (iv) In case of repetition in successive years—(a) from what year to what year, (b) reference to combined analysis, if any. (v) Abnormal occurrences like heavy rains, frost, storm etc., if any. (vi) Any other important information.

C. For experiments on cultivators' fields :

(i) Crop condition during growth. (ii) Incidence of pests and diseases with control measures taken. (iii) Quantitative observations taken. (iv) In case of repetition in successive years (a) from what year to what year, (b) whether treatments were assigned to the same plots in the same manner every year, (c) reference to combined analysis, if any. (v) In case of repetition in other places names of places along with reference. (vi) Abnormal occurrences, like heavy rains, frost, storm etc., if any. (vii) Any other important information.

GLOSSARY OF VERNACULAR NAMES OF CROPS

Sl. No.	Name of Crop	Botanical name	Assamese	Bengali	Oriya	Telugu	Tamil	Malayalam	Kannada	Marathi	Gujarati	Hindi	Punjabi
1.	Paddy	<i>Oryza sativa L.</i>	Dhan	Dhan	Dhano	Vadlu, Biyyamu	Nel	Nellu	Bhatta	Bhat	Dangar	Dhan ; Chawal	Chaul ; Dhan
2.	Wheat	<i>Triticum Sativum</i> Lank <i>Triticum</i> <i>aestivum L.</i>	Gaum ; Ghehu	Gam	Gaham	Godumalu	Kothumai	Gotha- mbu	Godhi	Gahu	Gbahu	Gehon	Kanak
3.	Jowar	<i>Andropogon sorghum</i> Brot ; <i>Sorghum vulgare</i> Pers.	—	Jowar	Juara	Jonna	Cholam	Cholam	Jola	Jowari ; Jondhla	Jowari ; Juar	Jowar ; Jaur	Jowar
4.	Ragi	<i>Eleusine coracana Gaertn.</i>	—	Marwa	Mandia	Ragi, chodi	Keppai ; Ragi	Muthari ; Ragi	Ragi	Nagli ; Nachni	Nagli ; Bavto	Ragi ; Mandika ; Marwah Makka	Mandhuka ; Mandhal
5.	Maize	<i>Zea mays L.</i>	Gom dhan	Bhutta	Macca	Mokka jonna	Makka cholam	Cholam	Musukina jola	Makka	Makkai	Makka	Makki ; Makayee
6.	Cotton	<i>Gossypium spp.</i>	Kapah	Karpas ; Tula	Kapa	Pratti	Paruthi	Paruthi	Hatti	Kapus	Kapas	Kapas	Kapah
7.	Sugarcane	<i>Saccharum officinarum L.</i>	Kuhiar	Akh	—	Cheruku	Karumbu	Karumbu	Kabbu	Oos	Sherdi	Ganna ; Kamad ; Naishakar Tambaku	Kamad ; Ganna ; Eakh Tamaku ; Tambaku
8.	Tobacco	<i>Nicotiana tabacum L.</i>	Dhopat	Tamak	Uanpatra	Pogaku	Pugayilai	Pukayila	Hoge soppa	Tambaku	Tamaku	Tambaku	Tambaku
9.	Chillies	<i>Capsicum frutescens L.</i>	Jalakiya	Lanka ; Marich	Lanka	Mirapak- aya	Milakai	Mulaku	Menasina kayi	Mirchi	Marcha	Lalmirch	Lalmirch
10.	Groundnut	<i>Arachis hypogaea L.</i>	China badam	Cheena badam	China badam	Nelash- anga	Nilak- adalai	Nilakk- adla	Kadale kayi	Bhui- mug	Magafali	Mung- phali	Mungfali
11.	Safflower	<i>Carthamus tinctorius L.</i>	Kusum	Kusum	Kusum	Kusuma	Kusumba	Chandrukam	Kusube	Kardi	Kosambi	Kussum	Kasumba
12.	Gram	<i>Cicer arietinum L.</i>	Butmah	Chola	Boot	Sanagalu	Kadalai ; Sundal Kada Uzhundu	Kadala	Kadale	Harbara	Chana	Chana	Chhole Chana
13.	Udid	<i>Phaseolus mungo var.</i> <i>radiatus Linn</i>	Matimah	Mashkalai	Biri	Minumulu	Uzhundu	Uzhunnu	Uddu	Udid	Adad ; Udad	Urd	Mash ; Urd
14.	Sweet potato	<i>Ipomoea batatas Lam.</i>	Mitha Aloo	Mishti Alu	Kanda- mula	Chilaga- dadumpa	Seeni kilangu	Cheeni kizangu	Genasu	Ratalu	Shakaria	Shakar- kandi	Shakarkandi
15.	Lucerne	<i>Medicago sativa L.</i>	Lucerne ghah	Lucern	Lusarna	Garam Masal	Kuthirai- masal	Lucerne	Kudure masale	Lasun ghas ; Vilaiti ghavat	Gadab Rajko	—	Lucan
16.	Korra	<i>Setaria italica Beauv.</i>	—	Kaon	Kanghu, Kora	Korra	Tennai	Thena	Navane	Kang ; Rala Kafi	Kang	Kakum	Kangni
17.	Coffee	<i>Coffea arabica L.</i>	Coffee	Kafi	Kofi	Coffee	Kappi	Cofee	Kafi	Kafi	Kafi	Coffee	Kofi

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