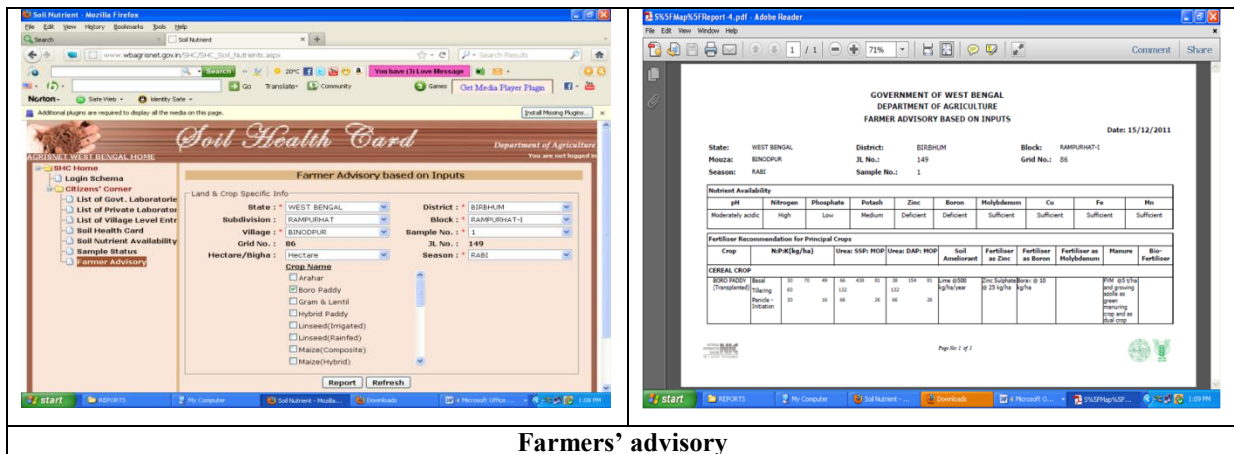


Web based advisory service for site-specific fertilizer recommendations in different land use systems of West Bengal

ICAR-NBSS&LUP is engaged in resource based agricultural land use planning for improving livelihood of the farmers of the country; developed Farmer's advisory service, hosted on www.wbagrisnet.gov.in of NIC server and linked with mobile cell phone to offer services to the vegetable, rice, fruit and pulse growers of West Bengal. Advisory based on knowledge base (information heuristics), inference engine (analyzes knowledge base) and end user interface (accepting inputs and generating outputs) has an open architecture for addition/deletions of soil test values. It generates information on ranges of soil pH, macro and micro-nutrient status and calculates nutrient requirement, recommends type, amount, time and method of fertilizer application, organic matter and soil ameliorants for a given variety of a crop or land use of a village in different seasons. The advisory has revolutionised the agricultural scenario in West Bengal. The format of the query and query results in the mobile are given below.



The image shows two screenshots from a web browser. The left screenshot displays the 'Soil Health Card' interface with various input fields for location (State: WEST BENGAL, District: BISHNUPUR, Block: RAMPURHAT-1, Village: BINOCUPUR, Grid No.: 06, Sample No.: 149, Season: Rabi) and crop selection (Ararhar, Boro Paddy, Gram & Lentil, Hybrid Paddy, Unseed/Irrigated, Unseed/Unirrigated, Maize/Composite, Maize/Hybrid). The right screenshot shows the generated report titled 'FARMER ADVISORY BASED ON INPUTS' for the same location and crop. The report includes nutrient availability data and fertilizer recommendations for principal crops.

Nutrient Availability										
pH	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Potash	Zinc	Boron	Molybdenum	Cu	Fe	Mn	
Moderately acidic	High	Low	Medium	Deficient	Deficient	Sufficient	Sufficient	Sufficient	Sufficient	

Fertilizer Recommendation for Principal Crops													
Crop	NPK(kg/ha)	Urea	SSP	NOP	Urea	DAP	NOP	Soil Ameliorant	Fertilizer as Zinc	Fertilizer as Boron	Fertilizer as Molybdenum	Manure	Bio-Fertilizer
CEREAL CROP													
BORO PADDY (Composite)	30	30	40	30	400	40	150	10	1000	200	50	10	10
GRAM & LENTIL	40	30	30	30	300	30	100	10	1000	200	50	10	10
MAIZE (Composite)	30	30	40	30	400	40	150	10	1000	200	50	10	10

Farmers' advisory

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