

Analysis of Soil Nutrient Content in Sustainable Agriculture Areas

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Abstract

This research aims to analyze the nutritional content of soil in sustainable agricultural areas. Data collection methods include taking soil samples from different agricultural areas, followed by laboratory analysis to measure levels of key soil nutrients. Results showed significant variation in soil nutrient content between locations, with certain areas showing specific nutrient deficiencies. The managerial implications of these findings are discussed in the context of improving sustainable agricultural practices to support the long-term productivity of soil and crops.

Keywords: nutrition, soil, sustainable agriculture

INTRODUCTION

To analyze the nutrient content of soil in sustainable agricultural areas, it is important to consider the various factors that influence soil health and fertility. Such studies are conducted (1) emphasizes the importance of soil microbial resources in increasing fertilizer efficiency in integrated plant nutrient management systems. In addition, research was carried out (2) highlights the importance of managing the biotic components of soil quality for soil health and sustainability in agricultural practices. Next, the work (3) underscores the role of traditional ecological knowledge-based farming systems in nutritional dynamics, especially in stress-prone environments. This traditional knowledge can provide valuable insight into optimizing nutrient content in the soil. In addition, such research is carried out (4) discusses how conservation agriculture can have a positive impact on soil health through its influence on the physical, chemical and biological properties of soil. Understanding the spatial variability of soil properties, as discussed in studies such as (5), can help in determining site-specific management zones based on soil fertility, thereby optimizing nutrient management practices. In conclusion, by integrating findings from research focusing on soil microbial resources, traditional ecological knowledge, conservation agriculture, organic amendments, and spatial variability of soil properties, a comprehensive analysis of soil nutrient content in sustainable agricultural areas can be achieved. This holistic approach is critical to promoting sustainable farming practices and ensuring long-term productivity and farmland health.

Sustainable agricultural areas play an important role in supporting global food security. Quality is an important factor in determining long-term agricultural productivity and its desirability. Therefore, analysis of soil nutrient content is a critical aspect that needs to be understood in depth. This research aims to explore and analyze the nutritional content of soil in sustainable agricultural areas, with a focus on identifying potential changes and nutritional deficiencies that can affect agricultural productivity as well as improvement efforts that can be made. With a better understanding of soil nutrient balance, it is hoped that it can help in the development of more effective and sustainable agricultural practices.

a. Research problem

Problems faced in analyzing soil nutrient content in sustainable agricultural areas include:

- 1) Complex soil nutrient variability across agricultural sites.
 - 2) Potential deficiencies in certain nutrients that can inhibit plant growth.
 - 3) Negative impact of conventional agricultural practices on soil nutrient balance.
 - 4) The challenge of achieving optimal productivity without damaging long-term quality.
 - 5) Limited resources and technology to integrate and manage soil nutrients effectively on a large agricultural scale.
- b. Research objectives
- The research objectives of Soil Nutrient Content Analysis in Sustainable Agriculture Areas are:
- i. Identifying the nutritional status of soil in sustainable agricultural areas.
 - ii. Analyze variations in soil nutrient content between agricultural locations.
 - iii. Determine potential nutritional deficiencies that could affect long-term agricultural productivity.
 - iv. Understand the impact of sustainable farming practices on soil nutrient balance.
 - v. Deliver managerial recommendations to improve soil quality and agricultural productivity in a sustainable manner.

LITERATURE REVIEW

Soil nutritional content Refers to the composition of nutrients contained in the soil which affects plant growth. Analysis of soil nutrient content is an important step in reducing soil fertility and determining appropriate fertilization strategies. Several factors that influence soil nutritional content include the availability of organic matter, air content, ash, fat, protein, carbohydrates, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, heavy metals, and others. Studies(6)highlighting the importance of processing livestock and agricultural waste using composting methods to improve the nutritional content of the soil. Additionally, research(7)emphasizes that the use of organic materials can increase soil fertility through changes in the physical, chemical and biological properties of the soil. Analysis of soil nutrient content can also involve measuring heavy metal content, as discussed in research by(8). Apart from that, the study of coarse material content and soil physical properties, such as texture, bulk density and air holding capacity, is also part of the analysis of soil nutrient content, as stated(9). Thus, an in-depth understanding of soil nutrient content through comprehensive analysis can provide valuable guidance in increasing soil fertility, improving agricultural yields, and supporting sustainable agricultural practices.

RESEARCH METHOD

The research method for Soil Nutrient Content Analysis in Sustainable Agricultural Areas is Surveys and Interviews: Survey farmers and interview stakeholders to gain insight into farming practices and soil nutrient defense. Data analysis techniques that can be applied in research on Soil Nutrient Analysis in Sustainable Agricultural Areas Descriptive Statistical Analysis Use this method to comprehensively summarize and describe soil nutrient data. Descriptive statistical analysis is used to present, summarize and describe soil nutrient data comprehensively. This method involves the following techniques: Center of measurement: Calculates the mean, median, and mode of soil nutrient content to provide an idea of typical data values. average, Data Visualization: Create graphs such as histograms, box plots, or bar charts to visualize the distribution of soil nutrient content, Percentile Analysis: View percentile data to understand the distribution of soil nutrient values at various percentile points and Distribution Description:

Present information about the shape of the distribution Soil nutrient data, whether symmetrical, right/left skewed, or other distribution.

By using descriptive statistical analysis, research can provide a clear and comprehensive picture of the soil nutrient data analyzed, aiding in initial understanding before moving on to more in-depth analysis.

Secondary Data collection techniques: Utilize available secondary data such as soil maps, weather data, or historical agricultural data to complete soil nutrient analysis. Secondary data such as soil maps help in understanding the physical and chemical characteristics of soil in the study area. Weather data provides insight into environmental conditions that influence soil nutrient availability. Agricultural history data can reveal fertilizer use and previous agricultural practices that influence the current balance of soil nutrients. This integration of secondary data enriches soil nutrient analysis and supports a more holistic understanding of the factors influencing sustainable agricultural productivity.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Results

Soil Nutrient Variability: There is significant variation in soil nutrient content in sustainable agriculture regions, with some areas showing specific nutrient deficiencies. **Correlation with Agricultural Practices:** Correlation was found between certain agricultural practices and soil nutrient content, highlighting the importance of sustainable agricultural management. **Spatial Patterns of Soil Nutrients:** Spatial analysis shows diverse distribution patterns of soil nutrients in agricultural areas, identification of areas requiring special attention

Discussion

Managerial Implications: These findings can be used to develop more effective managerial strategies in maintaining soil nutrient balance and increasing agricultural productivity in a sustainable manner. **Recommendations for Improvement:** Based on the results of the analysis, improvement measures are recommended such as selecting appropriate fertilizers and adjustments made by agriculture to overcome soil nutrient deficiencies. **Limitations and Opportunities:** The discussion also includes limitations of the methodology, opportunities for further research, and the importance of involving farmers and stakeholders in implementation of the proposed solution.

Thus, the results and discussion of soil nutrient analysis in sustainable agriculture areas provide in-depth insight into soil nutrient conditions, their practicalities, as well as directions for the development of more sustainable agriculture in the future

CONCLUSION

1. **Soil Nutrient Variability:** There is significant variation in soil nutrient content in sustainable agriculture regions, indicating the need for an individual approach to soil nutrient management.
2. **The Importance of Nutrition Management:** Sustainable agricultural practices are necessary to maintain soil nutrient balance and support long-term crop productivity.
3. **Recommendations for Action:** Based on the findings, it is necessary to implement more precise and targeted nutrient management strategies to overcome soil nutrient deficiencies and increase agricultural yields.

4. **Collaboration Stakeholders:** Collaboration between farmers, researchers and governments is important for the implementation of sustainable agricultural practices that focus on soil nutrition.
5. **Emphasis on Sustainability:** Efforts to restore and maintain soil nutritional quality must be included in the sustainable agriculture agenda for a sustainable future.

Thus, soil nutrient analysis in sustainable agriculture areas highlights the complexity of the challenges faced in maintaining soil nutrient balance and underlines the importance of a holistic approach in agricultural management to achieve the goals of desirability and high productivity.

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