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Research Interest

Land and water management

Research Highlights

Rain water management, Canal water management, Ground water management, On farm water management, Conjunctive use of water, Multiple uses of water, Participatory water management, Development of decision support systems, Mathematical modelling of water table fluctuations, Flow through porous media, Irrigation scheduling, Soil physical, chemical, biological properties studies and management, Impact of climate change on land and water resources, Integrated farming system components selection, Prioritization and suggestion, Watershed development and management in participatory mode, Modeling of non point source pollution and management strategy. Land allocation under different interventions , Application of operations research techniques in planning and decision making, Analysis of rainfall and other meteorological parameters to evolve irrigation and drainage criteria.

Memberships / Fellowships

Fellow, Institution of Engineers
Life Member, Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers
Life Member, Indian Association of Soil and Water Conservationists
Life Member, Indian Water Resources Society
Life Member, Indian Society of Coastal Agricultural Research
Life Member, Bihar State Productivity Council

Technology Developed

- Development of optimization of rice transplanting time, resource conservation technologies (RCTs), increasing bund height for rainwater conservation in paddy fields in Bihar
- Development of multiple water use technology for enhancing water productivity by productive utilization of waterlogged/drainage congested areas.
- Development of Low Energy Water Application system.
- Participatory Technology development to form activity based Self Help Groups in order to improve their income and livelihood through training and capacity building.
- Exploration and promotion of conjunctive use options in canal command through demonstration of users' interactive decision support tool developed in Hindi employing Visual basic Platform.
- Encouraged Water Users' to develop low cost wooden gates and got them installed on outlets to control and regulate flow of water and avoid waterlogging.
- Development of Beneficial Crop sequence selection decision support tool in Hindi and English to facilitate farmers in convincingly selecting the beneficial crop sequences and demonstration to farmers.
- Development of Integrated Farming System Components selection decision support tool in Hindi and English to facilitate farmers in convincingly selecting the integrated farming system components and demonstration to farmers.

Publication Details

A. Research papers published in International Journals - 16

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