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Effectiveness of principal component analysis on optimization of N:P:K fertilization on various maize varieties

Supplementary Table 1. Variance analysis of some growth characters based on split plot design.

Characters	FP	error a	V	FP*V	error b	CV a	Cv b
Plant Height (PH)	173.76*	41.97	502.81**	237.32**	29.23	3.25	2.72
No of leaves (NL)	4.59ns	1.30	2.53*	0.80**	0.45	10.47	6.13
Stem diameter (SD)	29.53	6.28	25.95**	10.59**	4.34	1.78	1.52
Male flowering age (MFA)	2.40ns	0.72	1.85*	1.28ns	0.80	1.69	1.77
Female flowering age (FFA)	0.97ns	0.69	3.10*	1.32ns	1.31	1.52	2.10
Anthesis Silking Interval (ASI)	3.76*	0.90	2.88ns	2.77ns	1.99	24.07	35.65
Cob height at the plant (CHP)	315.71**	8.07	198.40**	158.76**	3.80	2.97	2.04
Shelled cob weight (SCW)	0.17**	0.01	0.34**	0.12**	0.01	10.62	9.54
Cob diameter (CD)	53.60**	6.59	44.68**	18.02**	4.65	5.54	4.66
Cob length (CL)	10.28ns	4.87	15.39**	4.11*	2.23	12.65	8.56
Length of seeded cob (LSC)	8.69ns	4.28	16.09**	5.71**	2.15	12.27	8.7
No of rows per cob (NRC)	30.19**	2.87	14.03**	9.53**	2.93	11.04	11.15
Percentage of Net Yield (PNY)	0.00ns	0.00	0.01**	0.00ns	0.00	7.73	7.22
Weight of 1000 seeds (W1000S)	85.90**	1.39	52.60**	71.67**	1.69	1.67	1.84
Yield (Y)	7.86**	0.46	95.04**	6.58**	0.37	8.86	7.89

Note: FP = fertilizer package, V = variety, CV = coefficient of variance.

Supplementary 2. Description of Sinhas 1 variety.

Origin Formed from a cross between balace composites from strains MR 14, G1044-30 DTPYC9, G20133077,

CY11, CML161, NEI9008, CY 6, and G2013649

Group Free Saree Age Medium age

50 % Pollen discharge 54

50 % Hair 57

physiological maturity 101 DAP

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Stem} & \text{Round} \\ \text{Bar Color} & \text{Green} \\ \text{Plant height} & \pm 180 \text{ cm} \\ \text{Cob Height} & \pm 90 \text{ cm} \end{array}$

Leaf Form a ribbon with a slightly upright strand pattern

Leaf color and width Green and medium
Plant Uniformity Pretty uniform

Panicle shape Open

Husk Color Green with moderate anthocyanins

Panicle Color (Anther) Red, moderate anthocyanin

Hair color Cream with red tip

Seed type Flint
Seed Color orange

Number of rows of seeds per

cob

12-16 rows of seeds

Seed Row Straight

Semi Cylindrical Cob Shape Cob Closing Close well Rooting Strong Lying down Stand

Potential Results 10.71 t/ha at KA 15% Average results 7.82 t/ha at KA 15%

Results under drought stress

conditions

6.27 t/ha at KA 15%

Results under low N stress

conditions

6.41 t/ha at KA 15%

Results under combined

conditions of drought stress

4, 75 t /ha at KA 15%

and low N

Information

Weight of 1000 seeds 298.8 g at KA 15%

Carbohydrate Content 67.72% Protein Content 10.57% Fat content 6.89%

Resistant to the downy mildew pathogen Peronosclerospora philippinensis, and somewhat resistant Disease Resistance

to the downy mildew pathogen Peronosclerospora maydis, leaf blight (Helmintosporium maydis)

and leaf rust (Puccinia polysora)

Tolerant of drought stress conditions in the phases leading up to flowering until harvest and low N

fertilization so it is suitable for cultivation on land with low water availability and less fertile soil.

High yields under optimum environmental and maintenance conditions

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