







# **GLINKA WORLD SOIL PRIZE 2022**







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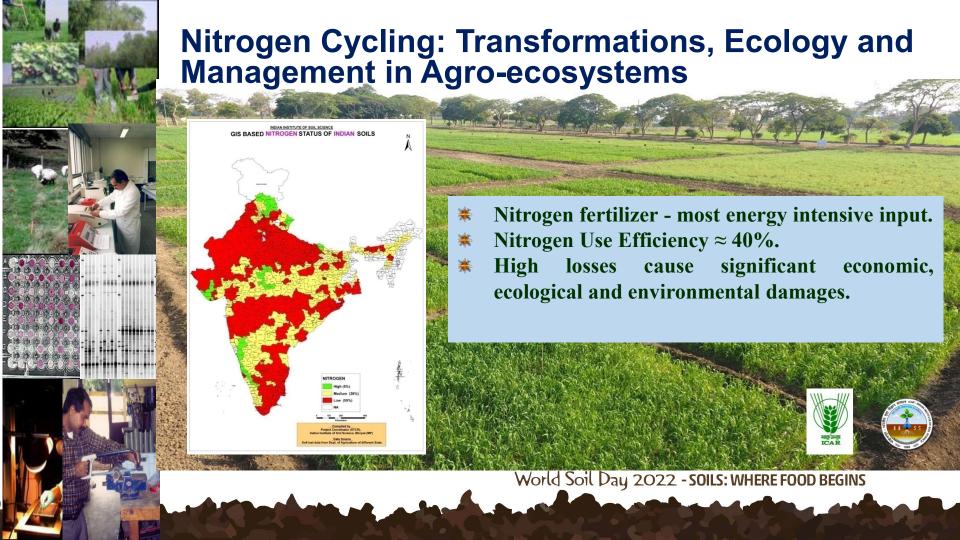
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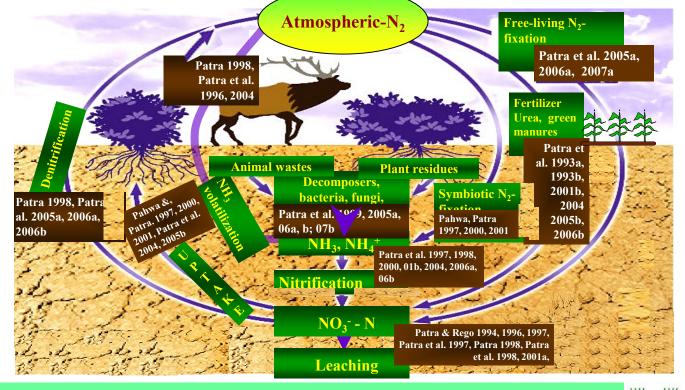












• Identified critical periods of N losses and approaches, which enhanced NUE significantly in different agro-ecosystems.





Management and plant species' impacts on activities, abundance and diversity of nitrifying organisms quantified in grasslands.

# Assessment of Soil Health, Integrated Nutrient Management and Soil Quality Index



### Rapid Soil Health Assessment: Mini-lab (Mridaparikshak)







Prepared > 28 million Soil Health Cards

- ≈ US \$1200
- Refill: ≈ US \$
   240 for 100
   samples

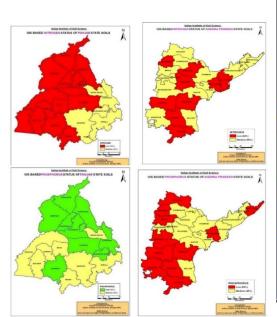
 Determines 15 important soil parameters including micronutrients like Zn, Fe, B, Mn & Cu.

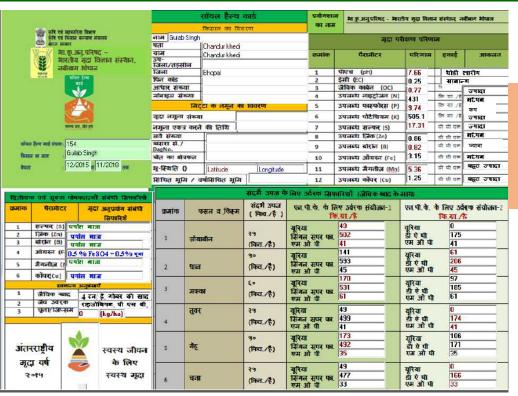




#### Contributed to Soil Health Card Mission of Government of India

- Advisories
- Backstopping





- Soil fertility maps
- SQI-Cal software





### **Soil Spectroscopy: ICAR – IISS – ICRAF Collaboration**



**Capacity building** 



**Alpha-FT MIR Spectrometer** 

- The MIR technology validated and recommended for SOC, pH, clay, silt and sand in Alfisols, Inceptisols and Vertisols of India.
- Developed spectral library for Indian soils and soon it will be made available on line.
- GLOSOLAN recognised ICAR-IISS as Champion Laboratory on Soil Spectroscopy in Asia.



Portable XRF



Neo-spectra Soil NIR scanner





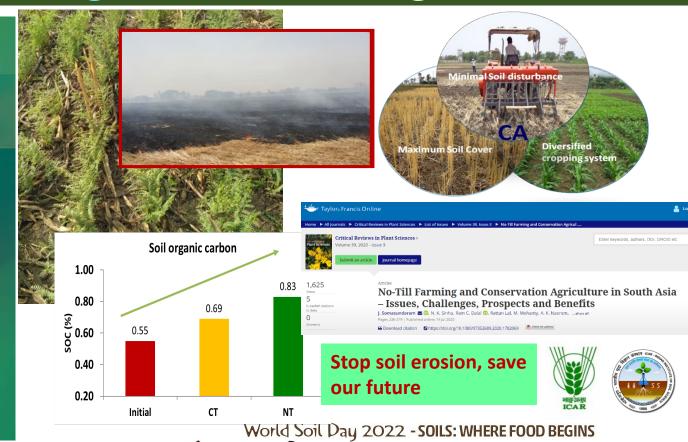
# **Mainstreaming Conservation Agriculture**

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# Conservation Agriculture: A Sustainable Approach for Soil Health and Food Security

Conservation Agriculture for Sustainable Agriculture

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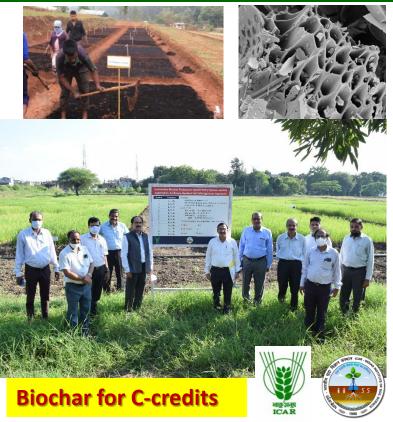


# Rapid crop residues recycling and composting



### **Biochar for C-sequestration and Sustainable Soil Management**





## Capacity building, mass awareness, soil extension for SSM







World Soil Day 2022 - SOILS: WHERE FOOD BEGINS

### KING BHUMIBOL WORLD SOIL DAY AWARD 2020 TO ICAR-IISS





Mass Awareness Campaigns on soil health & SSM from 2014 onwards. Playing important role in Asia... World

### Strengthened Global Network







# Acknowledgements









