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Effect of optical sensor based nitrogen management on N, P and K content and uptake by irrigated wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.)

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Abstract : A field experiment was conducted at CCSHAU, Hisar to study the effect of optical sensor based N management on N, P and K content of grain and straw as well as N, P and K uptake by grain and straw by wheat crop during rabi season of 2013-14. N content in grain was more in treatments having N application at 3rd irrigation as compared to N application at 2nd irrigation. Total N, P and K uptake as well as N, P and K uptake separately by grain and straw, generally increased at increasing the level of fixed rate N application, when equivalent treatments (*i.e.* treatments having same time of GreenSeeker (GS) guided N application) were compared. Significantly higher N uptake by grain in two stage (*i.e.* at 2nd and 3rd irrigation stage) applied N using GS over 2nd irrigation applied N indicated that 3rd irrigation applied N is important regarding the grain N uptake.

Key Words : Wheat, Nutrient content, Plant nutrient uptake, Optical sensor (GreenSeeker)

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