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Development of a decision support system, DOMIS for designing micro irrigation systems

Adecision support system (DSS) namely DOMIS (Design of Micro Irrigation Systems) was developed for standardizing the designs of drip, sprinkler and micro sprinkler irrigation systems. The decision support system was developed using standard formulae with richness of knowledge and expert opinions. Flexibility and simplicity of use make the DSS DOMIS a superior tool for designing micro irrigation systems. The DSS provides knowledge, expert opinion and necessary data on crops, soil, water and climate in the form of default options at different interactive stages of the software. The DSS also allows the user to make appropriate changes in the parameters provided by the DSS, if the user so desires. DSS-DOMIS suggests most optimal layout plan for main, sub-main and lateral pipes with appropriate sizes of different components including pipes, pumping system, filters and fertilizer application systems. The web based system has been hosted on the net with domain name http://domis.iari.res.in. Besides the design of micro irrigation systems, the DSS provides complete list of concerned state and district officials, approved micro irrigation system suppliers and the general information about the district, different government schemes and their implementing agencies all over the country. The decision support system will be useful for industry, farmers, students, researchers and policy makers. The DSS is available for use or free online and the author will appreciate the feedback and suggestions from the users for its further improvement.

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