Abstract Details

Title: Spatial Analysis of Horse Distribution in Haryana

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Abstract: Haryana has a small equine population of 0.39 lakhs (18^{th} livestock census, 2007) which is comprised of 19,658 horses, 10,772 mules, 3,920 donkeys and 4,247 ponies. In this study the Horse species is analysed, Moran's I coefficient of autocorrelation was used to investigate the spatial distribution of Horses to analyze clustering of the population in Haryana using Tehsil as a real unit. Equine census data was used to link the heterogeneity in the Horse distribution with regard to agro-ecosystems and other environmental factors related to agro-ecological zones in the state of Haryana. Comparatively lower population density (0 - 0.5/ sq km) of horses was observed in south western Haryana. Moran's I statistic revealed that the distribution of all types of equines was clustered. The distribution of the horses was characterized in terms of agro-ecosystem prevalent in the area. This ecosystem approach to characterize livestock distribution is useful in livestock production systems research planning.

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