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#### INTRODUCTION

The guidelines presented here were developed to enable the storage of the site and profile descriptions of the soils of the ISRIC reference collection in a computerized soil database (ISIS). They are based on the FAO Guidelines for soil profile description (1977) and are in fact a more schematic presentation of the former ISRIC (ISM) guidelines (Spaargaren, 1980).

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The major points of difference with the former ISRIC guidelines are:

- The number of site variables increased considerably due to the more schematic approach.
- The majority of the non numerical site information is recorded in classes to increase the uniformity of the descriptions in order to optimize selection procedures and to reduce the size of the database.
- Numerical class codes were omitted to increase the readability and to simplify the filling in of the forms.

These guidelines should be used with the ISRIC SOIL DESCRIPTION FORM FOR CODED INFORMATION ( see appendix C).

Please note that the information on the soil can only be entered in ISIS if these guidelines are strictly followed. Please do not make any modifications in the classification of the variables or the coding of the classes, and do not add new variables.

Please note that in this report the letter capital o = '0' and zero = ' $\phi$ '. If the description according the guidelines is not fully satisfactory use the descriptive part at the end of the site description form for additional information or remarks.

Terms marked with \* are explained in appendix A.

#### ISIS

ISIS is a computerized soil database developed for micro computers. It uses dBASE III, a well known relational database management system (ASHTON-TATE). It is primarily developed to handle the documentation of the ISRIC soil reference collection. Due to its flexability ISIS can also be used as a prototype for the development of a soil database in a non-ISRIC environment.

Write to ISRIC, P.O.Box 353, 6700 AJ Wageningen, the Netherlands to obtain further information and/or ISIS programs.

# ---2---site description

SITE DESCR	<u>IPTION</u>	
DATE	Enter month and year.	
COUNTRY	Enter country code. (see appendix B 1.)	
ISRIC CODE	Enter ISRIC soil code.	
AUTHOR	Upto 15 characters.	
	Location of the site	
LOCATION	Upto 70 characters. Indicate as detailed as possible.	
LATITUDE	Enter N or S/degrees/minutes/seconds.	
LONGITUDE	Enter E or W/degrees/minutes/seconds.	
ALTITUDE	In m.a.s.l When below sea level, add - (minus sign)	
	<u>Classification:</u>	
	FAO/UNESCO (1974)	
FAO SOIL UNIT	Enter soil unit code ( see appendix B 2).	
PHASE	Enter phase:	
	STstonyXfragipanPEpetricMQduripanMKpetrocalcicZsalineLIlithicSOsodicMYpetrogypsicCEcerradoPHphreaticMSpetroferric	
	SOIL TAXONOMY (USDA/SCS, 1975)	
GREAT GROUP	Enter great group code (see appendix B 3).	
SUB GROUP	Enter sub group code (see appendix B 3).	
TEXTURE	Enter texture class (see appendix B 4).	
MINERALOGY	Enter mineralogy class (see appendix B 4).	
<u>STR</u>	Enter soil temperature regime:	
	PG pergelicHT hyperthermicCR cryicIF isofrigidFR frigidIM isomesicME mesicIT isothermicTH thermicIH isohyperthermic	

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#### ---3---site description

<u>SMR</u>

#### Enter soil moisture regime:

AQ aquic	UD udic
PQ peraquic	PU perudic
AR aridic	US ustic
TO torric	XE xeric

#### Other diagnostic criteria according to FAO/UNESCO (1974) and USDA/SCS (1975).

<u>DIAGNOSTIC</u> Enter diagnostic horizons. There is space for three entries: <u>HORIZONS</u>

AL albic	PC petrocalcic	AN	anthropic
AG agric	PG petrogypsic	HI	histic
AR argillic	PL placic	MO	mollic
CL calcic	SA salic	OC	ochric
CA cambic	SO sombric	UM	umbric
GY gypsic 🕔	SP spodic	PA	plaggen
NA natric	SU sulfuric	DU	duripan
FR fragipan	OX oxic		

#### <u>DIAGNOSTIC</u> Enter (other) diagnostic criteria. There is space for two <u>CRITERIA</u> entries:

AT abrupt textural change	LI	lithic contact
AL albic material	MO	mottles with chroma≼2
AM exchange complex dom.	NV	n – <del>v</del> alue
by amorphous material	PF	permafrost
CL paralithic contact	`SQ	plinthite
CF petroferric contact	$\mathtt{SL}$	slickensides
CO COLE	SC	smeary consistence
DU durinodes	ĸ	soft powdery lime
FA ferralic properties	ទប	sulfidic material
FE ferric properties	TA	takyric
GL gilgai	TX	thixotropy
OR high org matter in B	IŖ	thin iron pan
SA high salinity	то	tonguing
HY hydromorphic properties	VE	vertic properties
IF interfingering	WE	weatherable minerals

LOCAL Local classification or soil name. Descriptive upto 20 CLASSIFICATION characters. If more space is required use general description

---4---climatic data

CLIMATE <u>Koppen</u> Enter climate classification according to Köppen: AF tropical rain forest climate AM tropical monsoon climate AW tropical savanna climate BW desert climate h denotes a hot B climate BS steppe climate cool ,, k ,, cold ,, С . . n with frequent fog ET tundra climate EF frost climate | h high altitude C warm temperate rainy climate CS summer dry | a with hot summer CW winter dry b with warm summer CF without dry season | c with cool summer D cool snow forest climate DW dry season in winter | a with hot summer b with warm summer DF without dry season c with cool summer d with very cool summer Entry of climatic data: on the description form space is available for data of at most three climatic variables recorded on one single climate station. If data of more climatic variables is available or if the data is recorded at different stations, use backside of the form. The database itself has no limitations in number of stations or number of variables per station. Enter name of climate station; upto 20 characters. STATION Latitude of station. Enter: N or S/degrees/minutes. LATITUDE LONGITUDE Longitude of station. Enter: E or W/degrees/minutes. ALTITUDE Enter altitude of station in m.a.s.1.; when below sea level, enter - (minus sign) DISTANCE Enter distance in km between site and climate station. DIRECTION Enter direction site --> climate station: NNW Ν NNE NW NE WNW ENE W ---site ---- E WSW ESE SW SE SSW S SSE

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RELEVANCE	Relevance of	station's data to soil site (DAY (ed),1983):			
	V very good	: site of weather station is identical to soil site			
	G good	soli site : site of weather station and soil site are sufficiently similar to allow for macro and intermediate levels of climatic interpretations			
	M moderate	: sufficiently similar to allow for macro climatic interpretations			
	P poor	: no reliable climatic interpretations possible			
DATA KIND	Enter kind o	f climatic variable:			
	Ti min te	•			
	Ta max te P precipita	tion in <u>cm</u>			
		of raindays			
	•	evapotranspiration in <u>cm</u>			
	Et thornt Ep penman				
	Ef frere,				
	Eb blaney				
	Ea papada				
	Eu turc				
		aporation in cm			
	Ao class A pan Ac colorado pan				
	Ap piche				
	H relative	humidity (%)			
	U windspeed	in m/sec (indicate height instrument above ground in m			
		l descriptive part)			
		bright sunshine (hours/day)			
		tage bright sunshine (%)			
	_	bal radiation (MJ/m <sup>2</sup> .day)			
	Re estima	ted total global radiation(MJ/m².day)			
	1MJ/m2	= 23.885cal/cm <sup>2</sup> = 23.885 langley = 27.778mWhr/cm <sup>2</sup>			
		= 0.404mm water			
	If variable and/or method of recording is not included in				
	the table: g:	ive a full description of variable and/or method			
	in descriptiv				
PERIOD	Number of yea	ars of record.			
CLIMATIC DATA	Enter mean monthly and annual figures for each climatic variable. Enter temperature in degrees Celsius and precipitation and evaporation in <u>cm</u> .				

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#### Parent material/Parent rock

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Parent material is defined as the unconsolidated mineral or organic material from which the true soil develops. Parent rock is defined as the rockmass from which the parent material is derived (PARKER (eds),1984).

There is space available for a sequence of at most two types of parent material/rock. Use the descriptive part if more space is required (REMARKS).

MODE

Mode of accumulation or deposition of parent material. (after USDA/SCS,1979):

- A alluvium
- E eolian mixed/undifferentiated
- W eolian loess
- S eolian sand
- H ejecta ash
- L lacustrine, incl.fluvio and glacio lacustrine
- Y estuarine deposits
- M marine deposits
- C colluvium\*
- V slope wash\*
- F fluvio-glacial deposits
- I ice pushed materials
- G glacial outwash\*
- T glacial till\*
- D glacial drift\*
- O organic sediments
- X residual (in situ weathered) materials
- U unconsolidated, unspecified
- R solid rock

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Enter parent rock of which the parent material is derived. DERIVED FROM (based on USDA/SCS, 1979). table 1. Parent rock types \_\_\_\_\_ Y Mixed lithology and composition Y1 noncalcareous or acid rocks Y2 calcareous rocks Y3 mixed lithology, unspecified Y4 igneous/metamorphic/ Y5 igneous/ metamorphic rocks sedimentary rocks Y7 metamorphic/sedimentary rocks Y6 igneous/sedimentary rocks WØ Chemically highly weathered materials CØ Conglomerate (unspecified) (reworked materials) C1 non calcareous W1 lateritic material C2 calcareous W2 bauxitic material IØ Igneous rocks (unspecified) 15 fine, unspecified Il coarse, unspecified 16 fine, basic (e.g.basalt) I2 coarse , basic 17 fine, interm.(e.g.andesite) I3 coarse , intermediate(e.g.diorite) 18 fine, acid (e.g.rhyolite) I4 coarse , acid (e.g.granite) 19 fine, ultrabasic MØ Metamorphic rocks (unspecified) M5 schist/phyllite,unspecified M1 gneiss, unspecified M6 schist/phyllite,acidic M2 gneiss, acidic M7 schist/phyllite,basic M3 gneiss, basic **M8** slate M4 serpentinite M9 quartzite BØ Sedimentary rocks, interbedded (unspecified) B4 limestone/siltstone B1 limestone/sandstone and shale sandstone/shale **B**5 B2 limestone/sandstone B6 sandstone/siltstone B3 limestone/shale B7 shale/siltstone AØ Sandstone (unspecified) graywacke\* A3 Al noncalcareous, unspecified A4 calcareous, unspecified A2 arkosic\* HØ Shale (unspecified) TØ Siltstone (unspecified) H1 noncalcareous T1 noncalcareous H2 calcareous T2 calcareous LØ Limestone (unspecified) L4 phosphatic Ll chalk L5 arenaceous (sandy) L6 argillaceous L2 marble 1.3 dolomitic L7 cherty SØ (other) sedimentary rocks (unspecified) UØ Claystone (unspecified) Ul noncalcareous S1 marl, unspecified S2 glauconite **U2** calcareous

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table 1. cont'd PØ Pyroclasts, consolidated EØ Pyroclasts, unconsolidated El ash, unspecified\* P1 tuff, unspecified\* P2 tuff,acidic E2 ash,acidic P3 tuff, basic E3 ash, basic P4 volcanic breccia, unspecified\* E4 lapilli, unspecified\* P5 volcanic breccia, acidic E5 lapilli, acidic P6 volcanic brecccia, basic E6 lapilli, basic P7 tuff breccia\* E7 volcanic bombs\* P8 scoria/cinders\* P9 pumice\* KØ Miscellaneous organic material K4 wood fragments <1m K1 mossy material K5 wood fragments >1 m K2 herbaceous material K6 charcoal K3 woody material TEXTURE Enter texture of parent material SA sandy LO loamy ST stony SC sandy clay CL clayey NX mixed SI GR silty gravelly OR organic General characterisation of status of weathering of solid rock: WEATHERING S slight P partial/moderate H high RESISTANCE Resistance against weathering (solid rock only): V very high H high M moderate L low Enter depth of lithological boundary in cm. DEPTH REMARKS Additional remarks parent material/rock upto 20 characters. If more space is required use general descriptive part. EFFECTIVE Enter effective soil depth in cm. Effective soil depth is SOIL DEPTH the depth to which roots can easily penetrate throughout the year. 

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#### Geomorphology

LANDFORM

Enter regional landform. If necessary specify in general descriptive part.

table 2. Regional landforms (based on McDonald et al., 1984)

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MO mountain (unspecified)
HI hill (unspecified)
HL
   low hill
IN inselberg*
VA valley (unspecified)
BA basin (unspecified)
   intermontane basin
IB
   badlands*
BL
MM man made
   plain (unspecified)
UP
PU plateau
PE
   peneplain*
    alluvial plain (unspecified)
AP
    floodplain
AF
AS
    stagnant alluvial plain*
ΤA
    alluvial terrace
    delta
AD
PM piedmont features(unspecified)
   alluvial fans/bajada/sheetflood fans
PA
PP
    pediment*
PL
   pediplain*
CP
    coastal plain
CB
    beach ridge
CF
    tidal flat
CT marine terrace
LC (fluvio) lacustrine plain
PY
   playa*
GF
    fluvioglacial plain
GK kame*
GT
    fluvioglacial terrace
GO
   outwash plain
GP
   glacial plain (till)
GM moraine
SP
    sand plain
   dune field
DU
VU vulcano
CA caldera
LA lava plain
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<u>TOPOGRAPHY</u> Topography of the surrounding country (FAO, 1977):

U	5	slopes < 2 Z steepest slopes 2 - 8 Z steepest slopes 8 -16 Z
н	hilly :	steepest slopes 16 - 30 Z, range of
S		<pre>elevation being moderate steepest slopes &gt; 30 Z, range of elevation being moderate</pre>
М	mountainous :	topography has great range of elevation

<u>PHYSIOGRAPHIC</u> Describe physiographic unit in the immediate surrounding of of the site. Continue in general descriptive part if more space is required.

<u>POSITION OF</u> Enter physiographic position of the site:

SITE	
	C crest L lower slope V open depression
	U upper slope S slope unspecified D depression (closed)
	M middle slope F flat
	<u>Slope characteristics</u>
SLOPE GRADIENT	Enter slope gradient of the land immediately surrounding the site (in $%$ ).
FORM	Form of the slope surrounding the site:
	V convex S straight U undulating C concave X complex

ASPECT Aspect of site: N,NNE,NE,ENE,E,...,NNW.

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	Microrelief
	Small-scale differences in relief within the immediate vicinity of the site. (based upon FAO,1986)
<u>KIND</u>	V level D dimples or craddle - knoll: depressions and associated mounds left by uprooted trees W coppice mounds: wind blown material accumulated and stabilized around plants K knobs F frost polygons G gilgai M mounds (termites) N animal tracks L levee, artificial: due to digging and cleaning of drainage and irrigation canals
	S slick spots or scabby spots T terracettes R ripples
	H holes and galeries due to burrowing animals A terracing, artificial
	Microrelief formed by soil erosion is excluded from this item and described under denudational-aggradational processes.
PATTERN	<pre>Ø none L lineair R reticulate C closed depression I isolated</pre>
<u>HEIGHT</u>	Enter variation in height in cm.
	Surface characteristics
ROCK OUTCROPS	<pre>Enter rock outcrop class (FA0,1977): Ø nil, positive statement LR little rocky : less than 27 rock exposed FR fairly rocky : exposures roughly 10-35 m apart,</pre>
<u>STONINESS</u>	Enter surface stoniness class (FAO,1977):
	<pre>ø nil, positive statement WS very few stones FS fairly stony : coverage 0.01-0.1Z ST stony : coverage 0.1-3Z VS very stony : coverage 3-15 Z ES exceedingly stony: coverage 15-90Z RU rubble land</pre>

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Enter average size of stones in cm STONE SIZE S (sub)rounded B angular blocky SHAPE A angular irregular P platy, flat ø nil, positive statement CRACKING C (small) cracks: width < 1 cm or depth < 50 cm L large cracks: width > 1 cm or depth > 50 cm Slaking of aggregates by tillage, rainfall or frost SLAKING/ (USDA/SCS,1979): CRUSTING ø nil, positive statement P partly slaked, round smooth aggregates S slaked: sorted sand/silt, some clay films C capped, crust on drying Enter thickness and nature of crust/seal in profile description. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Evidence of salt / alkali (USDA,1951). The classification SALT/ALKALI given below is used to describe evidence of salt as well as evidence of alkali: soils free of excess salt or alkali. Practically no crops Ø are inhibited by, or show evidence of injury from excess salts or alkali S soils slightly affected by salt or alkali. The growth of sensitive crops is inhibited but that of salt tolerant crops may not be. M soils moderately affected by salt or alkali. Crop growth is inhibited and no crop does well R soils strongly affected by salt or alkali. Only a few kinds of plants survive If conductivity measurements and/or analytical data are available the following classes can be recognized: class salt (mS/cm) alkali (ESP) Ø nil 0 - 4 0 – 5 S slight 4 - 8 5 - 15 M moderate 8 - 15 15 - 25 R strong > 15 > 25

---13---site description Hydrology KIND Indicate kind of water table (USDA, 1979): no water table observed Ν P perched F flooded A apparent W groundwater table Enter depth of water table in cm <u>DEPTH</u> Enter (estimated values of) upper and lower limits of the FLUCTUATION water table in cm SLOW PERMEABLE Enter upper and lower limits of slow permeable or stagnating layer in cm. Enter  $\phi$  if not appropriate. LAYER PERMEABILITY Estimated permeability of least permeable part of the profile: S slow М moderate Η high Quantitative data are recorded in general descriptive part Indicate flooding frequency, if necessary specify in FLOODING FREQUENCY general descriptive part (FAO,1986): Ν nil, positive statement Y yearly D daily I irregular monthly М NATURE Nature of flood water: saline S X oxygenated brackish В W still or stagnant F fresh Enter additional information (e.g. time and duration of flooding in general descriptive part) RUN OFF Estimated run off: Ρ ponded medium М V very slow rapid R S slow very rapid Α

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DRAINAGE CLASS (FA0,1977), int

(FAO,1977), intergrades are indicated by a combination of both class codes: e.g. 34 = class 3 to 4.

- very poorly drained; water is removed from the soil so slowly that the water table remains at or on the surface the greater part of the time. Soils of this drainage class usually occupy level or depressed sites and are frequently ponded.
- 1 poorly drained; water is removed so slowly that the soil remains wet for a large part of the time. The water table is commonly at or near the surface during a considerable part of the year. Poorly drained conditions are due to a high water table, to a slowly permeable layer within the profile, to seepage, or to a combination of these conditions
- 2 imperfectly drained; water is removed from the soil slowly enough to keep it wet for significant periods but not all of the time. Imperfectly drained soils commonly have a slowly permeable layer within the profile, a high water table, additions through seepage or a combination of these conditions
- 3 moderately well drained; water is removed from the soil somewhat slowly, so that the profile is wet for a small but significant part of the time. Moderately well drained soils commonly have a slowly permeable layer within or immediately below the solum, a relatively high water table, additions of water through seepage or some combination of these conditions
- 4 well drained; water is removed from the soil readily but not rapidly. Well drained soils commonly retain optimum amounts of moisture for plant growth after rains or additions of irrigation water
- 5 somewhat excessively drained; water is removed from the soil rapidly. Many of these soils have little horizon differentiation and are sandy and very porous
- 6 excessively drained; water is removed from the soil very rapidly. Excessively drained soils are commonly lithosols or lithosolic and may be steep, very porous or both

Moisture conditions profile:

DRY Profile dry from .. to ... (cm)

MOIST Profile moist from ... to ....(cm)

WET Profile wet from .... to..... (cm)

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### Denudation and aggradation(based upon FA0,1986)

Indicate nature and intensity of processes at the site and its surroundings (the physiographic unit). If there are any discrepancies between the site and the land surrounding the the site, the site data should be entered here. All other information should be entered in the general descriptive part.(based upon FAO,1986)

#### <u>EROSION</u> Enter soil erosion type. There is space available for 2 types: TYPE

S sheet

- G gully: depth >30 cm; not smoothed by normal cultivation W wind

#### DEGREE Enter intensity of each type of soil erosion. Here the intensity is only decribed in general terms. If more accurate data are available it should be entered in the general descriptive part.

Ø nil, positive statement M moderate
S slight R severe

#### <u>SOIL</u> Indicate occurrence of recent soil aggradation <u>AGGRADATION</u> (McDONALD et al., 1984):

- Ø nil, positive statement
- N not apparent

P present, specify in descriptive part

Indicate present stability of slope:

STABILITY

SLOPE

 $\emptyset$  stable: no evidence of recent mass movements

- M locally unstable: creep, locally shallow earth/soil slides,flows
- H highly unstable : major part of slope is affected by shallow and deep slides/flows etc.

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#### Land use and Vegetation

Describe present land use or vegetation at the immediate surroundings of the site. Use REMARKS for additional information on present land use/vegetation. Use the general descriptive part to add information on past land use/vegetation, or to describe deviating land use/vegetation types close to the site in the same physiographic unit.

Indicate present land use type. Use REMARKS to specify:

LAND UTILIZATION TYPE (LUT)

A arable farming: unspecified AH arable farming: high level: intensive use of fertilizers and pesticides; high level of mechanisation AM arable farming: medium level AL arable farming: low level: low inputs, low level of mechanisation X mixed farming : unspecified XH mixed farming : high level XM mixed farming : medium level XL mixed farming : low level PA cultivated pasture GR (semi) natural grass land, grazed SH shrub land, grazed WO wood land, grazed UR urban land NA non agricultural land: surface mines, pit spoils etc. AF afforestation VE (semi) natural vegetation FA fallow

#### CROPS

Indicate present or major crop. Use REMARKS to specify or enter additional crops:

cereals:	CE CER CEW	unspecified rice wheat	CES CET CEX	sorghum millet other
root crops:	CEM RT RTC RTP	maize unspecified cassava potatoes	RTY RTT RTX	yam taro other
sugar crops:	SUC SUB	sugar cane sugar beet		
vegetables:	VE	unspecified		
fodder crops:	FD	unspecified		
condiments:	CN	unspecified		
oil/protein crops:	OL OLY OLG OLA OLC OLI	0	OLB OLH OLU OLE OLO OLX	castor bean chick pea sunflower sesame olive other

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fibre crops: fruit crops:	FB FBC FBK FBS FR FRB FRD	unspecified cotton kenaf sisal unspecified banana date palm	FBJ FBR FBX FRC FRC FRC	jute rosella other citrus grapes other
stimulants:	ST STT STA	unspecified tea cocoa	STC STB STX	coffee tobacco other
miscellaneous:	MSP MSR	p <b>y</b> rethrum rubber		

annual crops, unspecified MAN perrenial crops, unspecified MPE MXX other

Enter main type of irrigation (FAO, 1986): IRRIGATION

- ø no irrigation, not relevant
  - S seasonally irrigated, supplementary irrigation
  - C continuously irrigated
  - P paddy

#### ROTATION Enter rotation scheme, specify in REMARKS (FAO, 1986):

- not relevant ø
- SS shifting
- SB shifting long fallow bush SG shifting long fallow grass
- CF crop rotation with current fallow
- CC crop rotation
- CG crop-grass rotation
- MO mono culture

#### Indicate any other land improvements, specify in REMARKS IMPROVEMENTS (FAO,1986):

ΙØ	none	IL	levelling
IC	land cleaning	IT	terracing
ID	draining	IX	other

# ---18---site description

		<u>-</u>	
VEGETATION TYPE	Enter major vegetation type	(FAO,1986):	
	closed forest:	F unspecified	
		FE evergreen (mainly)	
		FS semi-deciduous	
		FD deciduous	
		FX extremely xeromorphic	
	woodland (open stands of	W unspecified	
	trees)	WE evergreen	
		WS semi-deciduous	
		WD deciduous	
		WX extremely xeromorphic	
	shrub:	S unspecified	
		SE evergreen	
		SS semi deciduous	
		SD deciduous	
		SX extremely xeromorphic(sub desert)	
	dwarf shrub:	D unspecified	
		DE evergreen	
		DS semi deciduous	
		DD deciduous	
		DX extremely xeromorphic(sub desert) DT tundra	
	herbaceous:	H unspecified	
	ner baceous;	HT tall grassland	
		HM medium tall grassland	
· ·		HS short grassland	
		HF forb	
<u>STATUS</u>	Enter present status of vege	etation (FAO,1986):	
	P primary		
		esult of new biotic factors	
	C cut over primary: some th		
	S secondary		
	D degraded		
REMARKS	Enter additional information	n on present vegetation	
	(e.g. dominant species) and	landuse (e.g. additional crops).	
	Upto 40 characters		
GENERAL		n on site and profile. Upto 254	
REMARKS ON	characters		
SITE & PROFILE			
SAMPLES	Enter kind of sample and sam	nple depth	
<u>PHOTOGRAPHS/</u> SLIDES	Enter subject and number of slides/photographs:		
	LA landscape	SU soil surface	
	PR profile	PD profile details	
	VE vegetation	CR crops	
	LU land use	ER erosion/conservation	
	XX other		
	(conform the codes used in t	the ISPIC SITNE determines )	

(conform the codes used in the ISRIC SLIDE database.)

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PROFILE DESCRIPTION \_\_\_\_\_ Enter ISRIC profile code. ISRIC CODE DESIGNATION Enter horizon designation according to FAO (1977) Enter AUGER in case the data are obtained by augering. Enter upper and lower limit of horizon in cm DEPTH Indicate width and topography of boundary with horizon BOUNDARY below (FA0,1977): Topography: Width: A abrupt : < 2cm S smooth W wavy: pockets wider than deep C clear : 2-5 cm G gradual: 5-12 cm I irregular: pockets deeper than D diffuse: > 12cm wide B broken: boundary discontinuous wide \_\_\_\_\_ Enter dry and moist matrix colour. The colour hues are entered COLOUR according to a continuous numerical scale. The values and chromas are multiplied by 10. Hue conversion table: Munsell to numerical notation: 2.5R= 25 2.5YR=125 2.5Y=225 2.5GY=325 5 G=450 5 R= 50 5 YR=150 5 Y=250 5 GY=350 10G=500 7.5YR=175 7.5R= 75 7.5Y=275 7.5GY=375 5 BG=550 10 R=100 10 YR=200 100Y=300 100GY=400 10BG=600 etc Other (intermediate) hues are allowed, e.g 6YR=160 2R = 20-> 25 50 60 Examples: 2.5R 5/6 7.5BG 5.5/8 -> 575 55 80 10R 2/4 -> 100 20 40 \_\_\_\_\_ MOTTLES There is space for 2 entries (FAO,1977): Abundance: 0 none, positive statement С common: 2-20**Z** F few: <2Z М many : >20Z Size: F fine : < 5mm С coarse: >15mm M medium: 5-15 mm Н heterogeneous

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Contrast: F faint: indistinct mottles are evident and recognizable only with close examination. Soil colours in both matrix and mottles have closely related hues and chromas D distinct: although not striking the mottles are readily seen. The hue value and chroma of the matrix are easily distinguished from those of the mottles. They may vary as much as one or two hues or several units in chroma or value P prominent: the conspicious mottles are obvious and mottling is one of the outstanding features of the horizon. Hue, chroma and value may be several units apart Sharpness of boundary: D diffuse: > 2mm С clear : < 2mm S sharp Enter moist colour of mottles (numerical notation see COLOUR): TEXTURE Enter estimated (field) texture (FAO, 1977). Fraction < 2mm:. sand CSA coarse sand SA MSA medium sand FSA fine sand VSA very fine sand CLSA coarse loamy sand LSA loamy sand MLSA medium loamy sand FLSA fine loamy sand VLSA very fine loamy sand CSAL coarse sandy loam SAL sandy loam MSAL medium sandy loam FSAL fine sandy loam VSAL very fine sandy loam L loam SIL silt loam SI silt SACL sandy clay loam CL clay loam SICL silty clay loam SAC sandy clay SIC silty clay С clay Fraction 0.2-7.5 cm: Fraction 7.5 - 25 cm: SG slightly gravelly SS slightly stony 2-15**Z** GR gravelly ST stony 15-50**Z** VG very gravelly VS very stony 50-90**Z** GA gravel SO stones > 90Z Fraction > 25cm: BO bouldery 2-50**z** VB very bouldery 50-90Z BL boulders > 90Z

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N ne W wc fr Decom O ni S sl M mc H hi STRUCTURE When or fc separ Enter Grade O s C C S B	<pre>aves S sphagnum R reeds, sedges medles M other moss H herbaceous fragments od C coprogenous U unspecified agments earth position rate: .1 .ight : &gt; 50Z fibric or foliated material derate: 10-50Z fibric/foliated material gh : &lt; 10Z fibric/foliated material a soil contains aggregates of more than one grade, size, rm the different kinds of aggregates should be described ately. There is space for two types of soil aggregates. largest type first (FAO,1977). See table 3.</pre>
0 ni S s] M mo H hi <u>STRUCTURE</u> When or fo separ Enter Grade 0 s C C B	<pre>1 .ight :&gt; 50Z fibric or foliated material derate: 10-50Z fibric/foliated material gh : &lt; 10Z fibric/foliated material </pre>
or fo separ Enter Grade O s c c g	<pre>rm the different kinds of aggregates should be described ately. There is space for two types of soil aggregates. largest type first (FAO,1977). See table 3. : tructureless: that condition in which there is no bservable aggregation or no definite orderly arrangement</pre>
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f W S b f MO m f e m i b ST S T S P a a d d	<pre>rain if noncoherent (see FORM). If the soil is coherent ne of the following codes should be entered: WC structureless and weakly coherent MC structureless and strongly coherent. SC structureless and strongly coherent. eak: that degree of aggradation characterized by poorly ormed indistinct peds that are barely observable in place. hen disturbed, soil material that has this grade of tructure breaks into a mixture of few entire peds, many roken peds, and much unaggregated material. If necessary or comparison, this grade may be subdivided into: VW very weak WM weak to moderate. oderate: that grade of structure characterized by well ormed distinct peds that are moderately durable and vident but not distinct in undisturbed soil. Soil aterial of this grade, when disturbed, breaks down nto a mixture of many distinct entire peds, some roken peds, and little unaggregated material. trong: that grade of structure characterized by durable eds that are quite evident in undisplaced soil, that dhere weakly to one another, and that withstand isplacement and become separated when the soil is isturbed. When removed from the profile, soil material f this grade of structure consists very largely of</pre>

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FI	e: very fine very fine to fine fine fine to medium	ME MC CO CC VC	medium to coarse coarse coarse to very coarse
PR CL AB SB	m: platy prismatic columnar angular blocky sub angular blocky angular blocky (wedge shaped)	CR MA PM SG IR	granular crumb massive porous massive single grain irregular rock structure
t T A	ationship form 1 -> form form 1 transitional to fo form 1 and form 2 both oc form 1 falls apart into f	orm 2 cur	

Table 3. Types and classes of soil structure (FAO, 1977)

			TYPES AND	CLASSES OF SOIL ST	TRUCTURE			
		···	Туре (	Shape and Arranger	ment of Peds)			
Class	Platelike with one dimension (the vertical) limited and greatly less than the other two; arranged around a hori- zontal plane; faces mostly horizontal	Prismlike with two dimensions (the horizontal) limited and considerably less than the vertical; arranged around a vertical line; vertical faces well defined; vertices angular.		Blocklike; polyhedronlike, or spheroidal, with three dimensions of the same order of magnitude, arranged around a point.				
				locklike; blocks or poly- hedrons having plane or curved surfaces that are casts of the moulds formed by the faces of the		Spheroids or polyhedrons having plane or Curved surfaces which have slight or no accomodation to the faces of surrounding peds		
		Without rounded caps	With rounded caps	Faces flatten- ed; most ver- tices sharply angular	Hixed rounded and flattened faces with many rounded vertices	Relatively non-porous peds	Porous peds	
	Platy	Prismatic	Columnar	(Angular) Blocky	Subangular Blocky	Granular	Crumb	
Very fine or very thin	Very thin platy; 1mm	Very fine pris- matic; 10mm	Very fine col- umnar; 10mm	Very fine an- gular blocky Smm	Very fine sub- angular blocky 5mm	Very fine gra- nular; 1mm	Very fine crumb; 1mm	
Fine or thin	Thin platy; 1 to 2mma	Fine prismatic 10 to 20mm	Fine columnar; 10 to 20mm	Fine angular blocky; 5 <sup>.</sup> to 10mm	Fine subangu- lar blocky; 5 to HOman	Fine granular: 1 to 2mm	Fine crumb; 1 to 2mm	
Hedium	Medium platy; 2 to 10	Nedium pris- matic; 20 to 50mm	Medium colum- nar; 20 to 50mm	Hedium angu- lar; 10 to 20mm	Medium suban- gular; blocky; 10 to 20mm	Medium granu- lar; 2 to 5mm	Medium crumb 2 to 5mm	
Coarse or thick	Thick platy; 5 to 10mm	coarse pris- matic; 50 to 100mm	Coarse colum- nar;50 to 100mm	Coarse angular blocky; 20 to 50mm	Coarse suban- gular blocky; 20 to 50mm	Coarse granu- lar; 5 to 10mm		
Very coarse or very thick	Very thick platy; 10mm	Very coarse prismatic; > 100mm	Very coarse columnar: >100mm	Very coarse angular blocky > 50mm	Very coarse subangular blocky:> 50mm	Very coarse granular > 10mm		

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\_ CONSISTENCE Consistence.(FA0,1977) Consistence when dry: LO loose : noncoherent SO soft : soil mass is very weakly coherent and friable; breaks to powder or to individual grains under very slight pressure SH slightly : weakly resistant to pressure; easily broken hard between thumb and forefinger : moderately resistant to pressure; can be HA hard broken in the hands without difficulty but is barely breakable between thumb and forefinger VH very hard: very resistant to pressure; can be broken in the hands only with difficulty; not breakable between thumb and forefinger EH extremely: extremely resistant to pressure, can not be broken in the hands hard Consistence when moist: LO loose : noncoherent VF very : soil material crushes easily under very gentle friable pressure, but coheres when pressed together FR friable : soil material crushes easily under gentle to to moderate pressure between thumb and forefinger FI firm : soil material crushes under moderate pressure between thumb and forefinger, but resistance is distinctly noticable VI very firm: soil material crushes under strong pressure, barely crushable between between thumb and forefinger EF extremely: soil material crushes only under very strong firm pressure; cannot be crushed between thumb and forefinger Consistence when wet: a) Stickiness: NS nonsticky: after release of pressure, practically no soil material adheres to thumb or finger SS slightly : after pressure, soil material adheres to both finger and thumb but comes off one or the sticky other rather cleanly. It is not appreciably stretched when the digits are separated : after pressure, soil material adheres to both ST sticky thumb and finger and tends to stretch somewhat and pull apart rather than pulling free from either digit VS very : after pressure, soil material adheres strongly to both forefinger and thumb and is decidedly sticky stretched when they are separated

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NP	-	no wire is formable wire formable but soil mass easily deformable.
$\mathtt{PL}$	plastic :	wire formable and much pressure
		required for deformation of the soil
		mass
٧P	very plastic :	wire formable and much pressure required
		for deformation of the soil mass

Other (after USDA, 1985):

- WS weakly smeary: under moderate strong force between thumb and forefinger the soil changes suddenly to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, little or no free water remains on fingers
- MS moderately smeary: under moderate force between thumb and forefinger the soil changes suddenly to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, some free water remains on fingers
- SS strongly smeary: under slight force between thumb and forefinger the soil suddenly changes to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, free water is easily seen on fingers.
- SF slightly fluid: when a specimen is squeezed in the hand some material tends to flow between the fingers, but after full pressure is applied most of the residue is left in the hand
- VF very fluid: when a specimen is squeezed in the hand, soil material easily flows between the fingers and after full pressure is applied little or no residue is left in the hand.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Description of individual pores. There is space for two PORES types of pores. For size and quantity also intergrades may be entered. Intergrades are indicated with the codes of both classes. Enter the code of the class with the lowest value first: e.g PORE type I: few enter |F | |F C| few to common enter very fine enter fine to medium enter F M If more space is required use general descriptive part Quantity: 0 none C common: 50-200/dm3 F few: 1-50 /dm3 M many : >200/dm3 Size: C coarse I micro : < 0.1 mm: 5-10 mm A very coarse: >10 mm V very fine: 0.1-1 mm T fine to coarse F fine : 1-2 mm M medium : 2-5 mm X micro to very coarse Form: V vesicular: approx. spherical or ellipsoidal in shape, not appreciably elongated in any direction. I interstitial: irregular in shape, with inward curved faces, bounded by angular or curved surfaces or adjacent mineral grains or peds or both. T tubular: more or less cylindrical Orientation (applied to tubular pores) V vertical 0 oblique H horizontal R random Continuity: distribution: C continuous I inped D discontinuous E exped B both inped/exped POROSITY Total porosity (CANSIS, 1982): H highly porous : > 60% by volume M moderately porous: 40-60%

S slightly porous : < 40%

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\_\_\_\_\_ There is space for two types of roots, if more space is ROOTS required use descriptive part. Quantity (CANSIS, 1982): 0 nil, positive statement few : very fine/fine roots 1-10/dm3 F medium/coarse roots 1/dm3 common: very fine/fine roots 10-100/dm3 С medium roots 1-10/dm3 coarse roots 1-5/dm3 М many : very fine/fine roots >100/dm3 medium roots > 10/dm3 coarse roots > 5/dm3 Size: V very fine: diameter < 1mm C coarse: > 5 mm F fine : 1-2 mm X all, very fine to coarse M medium : 2-5 mm Location (USDA, 1981): С in cracks М in mat at top of horizon Ρ between peds matted around stones or gravel S Т throughout \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ <u>CaCO3</u> The content of calcium carbonate (tested with 10% hydrochloric acid). The reaction to acid can be expected to be more vigorous in sandy material than in fine textured material having the same carbonate content. Agent: H HC1 10Z U HCl (unspecified strength) Class: 0 non calcareous : no visible reaction S slightly calcareous: slight reaction; scarsely visible, but detectable to ear R calcareous: strong reaction; bubbles in simple layer V strongly calcareous: violent reaction; foamy, bubbles in many layers Location: T throughout N on nodules S on ped faces C in channels and holes L locally Enter field determined pH and indicate the method used pН in the general descriptive part.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Cutans/surface features. CUTANS Quantity/abundance (FA0,1977): none Ø Р patchy : small scattered patches of cutan broken/common : cutans cover largest part of peds В С continuous/abundant: cutans cover entire peds Thickness(FAO,1977): thin :fine sand grains are readily apparent in the F (faint) cutan, bridges between cutans are weak, thickness microscopic :fine sand grains are enveloped in the cutan М moderate (distinct) and their outlines are indistinct Т :surface of the cutan is smooth showing no thick (prominent) outlines of fine sand grains, strong bridges between larger grains Kind: C clay H humus F clay/sesquioxides M Mn-hydr./ox U clay/humus Z soluble salts Q silica S sesquioxides Ρ slickensides X unspecified R pressure Location: PE ped faces (unspec) HP horizontal ped faces VP vertical ped faces ZP hor/vert ped faces CO top columns GR grains UP upper surfaces peds NO nodules BR bridges between sandgrains LP lower surfaces peds BP bottom plates TH throughout RC root channels/pores RO rock fragments CR cracks

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\_\_\_\_\_ Inclusions of pedogenetic origin. There is space for INCLUSIONS two entries (FAO,1986). Quantity: Ø none Q frequent : 15-40 Z V very few: < 5Z by volume R very frequent: 40-80 Z F few : 5-15Z D dominant : > 80 Z Type: T crystals S soft segregations C concretions N nodules P pedodes\* U unspecified Size: P powdery M medium: 2-10 mm S small: < 2 mmL large : > 10 mm Hardness: S soft H hard Shape: T thread like D dendritic S spherical I irregular C cylindrical A angular Composition: F ferrigenous M manganiferous K calcareous C argilleous Z saline U unspecified G gypsiferous Q siliceous ------ROCK Rock and primary mineral fragments. There is space for two entries. Quantity: Ø none Q frequent : 15-40 Z V very few: < 5% by volume R very frequent: 40-80% F few : 5-15% D dominant : > 80% Size: 

 V very fine: > 2mm
 C coarse
 : 7.5-12 cm

 F fine
 : 2mm - 1 cm
 A very coarse
 : 12-25 cm

 M medium
 : 1 - 7.5 cm
 E extremely coarse: > 25 cm

 Degree of weathering: F fresh W (slightly) weathered S strongly weathered Nature/composition: descriptive upto 15 characters. If more

space is required use general descriptive part.

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This item includes compact and hardened uncemented as well PANS as indurated horizons. There is space for one entry only. If more space is required use general descriptive part (FAO,1986) Kind: P plough pan F fragipan K petrocalcic I iron pan (other than iron stone(indurated indurated plinthite) ĭ. D duripan plinthite) Y gypsum pan S salt pan X other, explain in descriptive part Cementation: (Day(ed), 1983; USDA/SCS, 1981; FAO, 1986) Ø non cemented W weakly cemented: the wet cemented soil is brittle and hard but can be broken by hands S strongly cemented: the wet cemented soil is too hard to be broken by hands, but it is easily broken with a hammer I indurated: the wet cemented soil is brittle and so strongly cemented that a sharp blow of a hammer is required to break it Continuity: C continuous D discontinuous B broken Structure: M massive P pisolitic N nodular V vesiculair L platy Biological activity: There is space for two major types. BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY If more space is required use general descriptive part. (BIOL.ACT.) Abundance: 0 nil Q frequent F few R very frequent Kind: M mounds S shells K krotovinas P coprogenic elements worm channels R termite channels W Y mycelium A mammal channels C sclerotium X channels, unspecified T pedotubules (unspecified) explain in descriptive

part

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#### APPENDIX A

#### GLOSSARY

Parent material

Colluvium: loose, incoherent deposits that are replaced principally by gravity and accumulated at the foot of slopes or cliffs. Slope wash: soil and rock material that has been transported down a slope predominantly by unchanneled running water (sheet erosion). Glacial outwash: sand and gravel transported away from a glacier by streams of melting water and either deposited as a floodplain along a preexisting valley bottom or broadcast over a pre-existing plain in a form similar to an alluvial fan. Glacial drift: all stratified deposits predominantly of glacial origin made in bodies of glacial melting water or in the sea.

Glacial till: Unsorted and unstratified drift consisting of a heterogeneous mixture of clay, sand, gravel and boulders which is deposited by and underneath a glacier. Also known as boulder clay, till, ice-laid drift.

#### Parent rock

Arkosic sandstone: a sandstone in which much feldspar is present, ranging from products of granular desintegration of granite to partly sorted riverlaid or even marine deposits.

Graywacke: An argillaceous sandstone characterized by an abundance of unstable minerals and rock fragments and a fine grained clay matrix binding the larger particles.

Ash: unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize < 2mm.

Lapilli: unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize 2 - 64 mm.

**Volcanic** bombs: unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize > 64 mm.

Tuff: consolidated equivalent of ash.

Volcanic breccia: consolidated rock composed predominantly of angular volcanic particles over 2 mm.

Pumice: white or pale grey to brown highly vesicular volcanic rock, silicic to mafic glass foam which will commonly float on water. Scoria: Usely of mafic composition, highly inflated juvenile fragments, of volcanic origin having a much higher density than pumice ( they readily sink in water).

#### Landform

region.

Inselberg: a large steep-sided residual hill, knob, or mountain, generally rocky and bare, rising abrubtly from an extensive, nearly lowland erosion surface in arid or semiarid regions. Badlands: Extremely rough, high, narrowly and steeply gullied topography in arid or semiarid areas that are horizontally bedded and have dry, loose soil. Pediment: A piedmont surface formed from a combination of processes which are mainly erosional; the surface is chiefly bare rock but may have a veneer of alluvium or gravel. Pediplain: A rock-cut erosion surface formed by the coalescence of two or more pediments. Peneplain: landsurface of low elevation and slight relief produced in the late stages of denudation of a landmass. Playa: A low, essentially flat part of a basin or other undrained area in an arid

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Kame: hill composed of sorted coarse water-laid glacial drift, largelysand and gravel, built into an impounded water body within stagnant ice or against the margin of an ice sheet.

Inclusions

Pedode: A spheroidal, discrete glaebule with a hollow interior, often with a drusy lining of crystals like that of a geode.

ANTILLES

# APPENDIX B 1.Country codes

AFG	AFGHANISTAN	WG	GRENADA
AL	ALBANIA	GCA	GUATEMALA
GBA	ALDERNEY	GBG	GUERNSEY
	ALGERIA	BRG	GUYANA
	ANDORRA	GUY	GUYANA (FRENCH)
AN	ANGOLA	RH	
RA	ARGENTINA	но	HONDURAS
	AUSTRALIA	HK	HONG KONG
A	AUSTRIA	Н	HUNGARY
BS	BAHAMAS	IS	ICELAND
BRN	BAHREIN	IND	INDIA
BD	BANGLA DESH	INS	
BDS	BARBADOS	IR	IRAN
В	BELGIUM	IRQ	IRAQ
BH	BELIZE	IRL	IRELAND
RPB	BENIN	GBM	ISLE OF MAN
вм	BERMUDA	IL	ISRAEL
BOL	BOLIVIA	I	ITALY
RB	BOTSWANA	CI	IVORY COAST
BRA	BRAZIL	JA	JAMAICA
BRU	BRUNEI	J	JAPAN
BG	BULGARIA	GBJ	JERSEY
BKF	BURKINA FASO	HKJ	JORDAN
BUR		к	KAMPUCHEA
RU	BURUNDI	EAK	
CAM		KWT	
CDN		LAO	
	CENTRAL AFRICAN REP.	LS	LESOTHO
	CHILE	RL	LEBANON
CHA		LB	
CO	COLOMBIA		LIBYA
RCB	CONGO		LIECHTENSTEIN
CR	COSTA RICA	L	LUXEMBURG
C	CUBA	RM	
CY	CYPRUS	MW	
CS	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	MAL	
DK	DENMARK	MLI	MALI
WD		M	MALTA
	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC		MAROCCO
EC	ECUADOR		MAURETANIA
	EGYPT	MS	
	EL SALVADOR		MEXICO
	ETHIOPIA	MOC	
	FAROER	MC	•
D			
	FIJI	NL	
	FINLAND	NA N7	
F			NEW ZEALAND
	GABON	•.	NIGARAGUA
	GAMBIA		NIGER
	GERMAN.DEM.REP		NIGERIA
	GHANA		NORTH KOREA
	GIBRALTAR		NORWAY
	GREECE		OMAN
GRO	GREENLAND (DENMARK)	PAK	PAKISTAN

PA	PANAMA
	PAPUA NEW GUINEA
	PARAQUAY
	PERU
PHI	PHILIPPINES
	POLAND
	PORTO RICO
	PORTUGAL
	RUMENIA
	RWANDA
	SABAH , LABUAN
	SAN MARINO
SK	SARAWAK
	SAUDI ARABIA
	SENEGAL
	SEYCHELLES
WAL	SIERRA LEONE
	SINGAPORE
	SOMALIA
	SOUTH AFRICA
ROK	SOUTH KOREA
	SOUTH YEMEN
	SOVIET UNION
	SPAIN
	SRI LANKA
	ST VINCENT
	ST.LUCIA
	SUDAN
	SURINAM
	SWAZILAND
	SWEDEN
	SWITZERLAND
	SYRIA
	TAIWAN
	TANZANIA
	THAILAND
TG	TOGO
	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
	TUNESIA
	TURKEY
	UGANDA
	UNITED KINGDOM
	UNITED STATES
	URUGUAY
	VENEZUELA
	VIETNAM
	WEST SAMOA
	YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC
YII	YUGOSLAVIA
	ZAIRE
	ZAMBIA
	ZANZIBAR (TANZANIA)
713	ZIMBABWE
	IC GLINKA MEMORIAL
	CTION (USSR)
	OTTON (ODDIC)

## APPENDIX B2. FAO/UNESCO classification codes

ACRISOLS Α Af ferric acrisol Ag gleyic acrisol humic acrisol Ah Ao orthic acrisol Αp plinthic acrisol CAMBISOLS В chromic cambisol Bc dystric cambisol Bd Be eutric cambisol Bf ferralic cambisol gleyic cambisol Bg humic cambisol Bh Bk calcic cambisol vertic cambisol Βv gelic cambisol Bx С CHERNOZEMS glossic chernozem Cg haplic chernozem Ch Ck calcic chernozem C1 luvic chernozem PODZOLUVISOLS D dystric podzoluvisol Dd eutric podzoluvisol De Dg gleyic podzoluvisol RENDZINAS Ε Ε rendzina F FERRALSOLS Fa acric ferralsol Fh humic ferralsol Fo orthic ferralsol Fp plinthic ferralsol Fr rhodic ferralsol Fx xanthic ferralsol G GLEYSOLS Gc calcaric gleysol Gd dystric gleysol Ge eutric gleysol Gh humic gleysol Gm mollic gleysol Gp plinthic gleysol Gx gelic gleysol Η PHAEOZEM Hc calcaric phaeozem Hg gleyic phaeozem Hh haplic phaeozem Hl luvic phaeozem Ι LITHOSOL Ι lithosol J FLUVISOLS Jc calcaric fluvisol Jd dystric fluvisol eutric fluvisol Je Jt thionic fluvisol Κ KASTANOZEM

Kh haplic kastanozem Kk calcic castanozem Kl luvic kastanozem LUVISOLS L La albic luvisol Lc chromic luvisol Lf ferric luvisol Lg gleyic luvisol Lk calcic luvisol Lo orthic luvisol Lp plinthic luvisol Lv vertic luvisol GREYZEMS М Mg gleyic greyzem Mo ortic greyzem NITOSOLS N Nd dystric nitosol Ne eutric nitosol Nh humic nitosol 0 HISTOSOLS Od dystric histosol eutric histosol 0e 0xgelic histosol Ρ PODZOLS Pf ferric podzol gleyic podzol Pg humic podzol Ph Pl leptic podzol Ро orthic podzol Pp placic podzol Q ARENOSOLS Qa albic arenosol Qc cambic arenosol ferralic arenosol Qf Q1 luvic arenosol R REGOSOLS calcaric regosol Rc dystric regosol Rd eutric regosol Re Rx gelic regosol S SOLONETZ Sg gleyic solonetz Sm mollic solonetz So orthic solonetz Т ANDOSOLS Th humic andosol Tm mollic andosol ochric andosol To Tv vitric andosol Π RANKERS U ranker V VERTISOLS Vc chromic vertisol Vp ' pellic vertisol W PLANOSOLS

Wd dystric planosol We eutric planosol Wh humic planosol Wm mollic planosol Ws solodic planosol Wx gelic planosol X XEROSOLS Xh haplic xerosol Xk calcic xerosol Xl luvic xerosol gypsic xerosol Xy Y YERMOSOLS Yh haplic yermosol Yk calcic yermosol Y1 luvic yermosol Υt takyric yermosol Yy gypsic yermosol Z SOLONCHAKS Zg gleyic solonchak mollic solonchak Zm Zo orthic solonchak Zt takyric solonchak APPENDIX B3. Soil taxonomy (USDA/SCS) classification codes. Orders, suborders and great groups.

	AL BICOL		a a l a sub à d	h a .a	h
a	ALFISOL	dos	salorthid	har	borosaprist
aq	aqualf	е	ENTISOL	hac	cryosaprist
aqw	albaqualf	eq	aquent	ham	medisaprist
aqd	duraqualf	eqc	cryaquent	hat	troposaprist
aqf	fragiaqualf	eqv	fluvaquent	i 	INCEPTISOL
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aqn	natraqualf	eqw	hydraquent	inc	cryandept
aqo	ochraqualf	eqs	psammaquent	ind	durandept
aql	plinthaqualf	eqi	sulfaquent	iny	dystrandept
aqt	tropaqualf	eqt	tropaquent	ine	eutrandept
aqm	umbraqualf	er	arent	inw	hydrandept
ab	boralf	er	arent	inp	placandept
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aul	plinthustalf	esx	xeropsamment	ig	plaggept
aur	rhodustalf	h	HISTOSOL	it	tropept
ax	xeralf	hi	fibrist	ity	dystropept
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axa	haploxeralf	hic	cryofibrist	ith	humitropept
axn	natrixeralf	hil	luvifibrist	its	sombritropept
axb	palexeralf	him	medifibrist	itu	ustropept
axl	plinthoxeralf	his	sphagnofibrist	im	umbrept
axr	rhodoxeralf	hit	tropofibrist	imc	cryumbrept
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dra	haplargid	hlt	tropofolist	m	MOLLISOL
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drn	natrargid	heb	borohemist	mwr	argialboll
drb	paleargid	hec	cryohemist	mwn	natralboll
do	orthid	hel	luvihemist	mq	aquoll
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dom	camborthid	hei	sulfihemist	mqk	calciaquoll
dod	durorthid	heo	sulfohemist	mqc	cryaquoll
dog	gypsiorthid	het	tropohemist	mqd	duraquoll
dob	paleorthid	ha	saprist	mqa	haplaquoll
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mdv	vermudoll	S	SPODOSOL	udb paleudult
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oqm	umbraquox	sop	placorthod	vx xerert
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Subgr	oup prefixes	· .		
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AA	typic		AL	albaquic
AB	abruptic		ALØ2	albaquultic
ABØ4	abruptic-aridic		ALØ4	albic
ABØ8	abruptic-cryic		ALØ8	albic-glossic
AB1Ø	abruptic-haplic		AL1Ø	alfic
AB14	abruptic-udic			alfic-arenic
AB16	abruptic-xerollic			alfic-andeptic
AE	aeric		AL16	alfic-lithic
AEØ3	earic-arenic		AN	andic
AEØ5	aeric-grossarenic		ANØ1	andeptic
AEØ6	aeric-mollic		ANØ3	andaquic
AEØ9	aeric-tropic		ANØ6	andic-dystric
AElØ	aeric-umbric		AN11	andeplic glossoboric
AE12	aeric-xeric		AN22	andic-ustic

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APPENDIX B4. Soil Taxonomy(USDA/SCS) classification codes. Texture and minerology.

#### Texture

ØØ5 ashy ØØ7 ashy over cindery ØØ8 ashy over loamy Ø13 ashy over loamy-skeletal ØØ9 ashy-skeletal ØØ3 cindery ØØ6 cindery over loamy cindery over medial Ø17 Ø15 cindery overmedial-skeletal ØØ4 cindery over sandy or sandyskeletal 114 clayey 122 clayey over fine-silty 116 clayey over fragmental 124 clayey over loamy 12Ø clayey over loamy-skeletal 118 clayey over sandy or sandy-skel. Ø56 clayey-skeletal Ø58 clayey-skeletal over sandy Ø8Ø coarse-loamy Ø86 coarse-loamy over clayey Ø82 coarse-loamy over fragmental Ø84 coarse-loamy over sandy or sandyskeletal Ø88 coarse-silty Ø94 coarse-silty over clayey Ø92 coarse-silty over sandy or sandyskeletal 126 fine 115 fine clayey Ø96 fine-loamy 102 fine-loamy over clayey Ø98 fine-loamy over fragmental 100 fine-loamy over sandy or sandyskeletal 106 fine-silty 112 fine-silty over clayey 108 fine-silty over fragmental 11Ø fine silty over sandy or sandyskeletal Ø36 fragmental 15Ø gravelly Ø68 loamy Ø72 loamy over sandy or sandy-skeletal Ø5Ø loamy skeletal Ø54 loamy-skeletal over clayey Ø51 loamy-skeletal over fragmental Ø52 loamy-skeletal over sandy Ø7Ø loamy sandy Ø65 loamy to sandy Ø1Ø medial Ø12 medial over cindery Ø14 medial over clayey

Ø16	medial over fragmental
Ø18	medial over loamy
Ø2Ø	medial over loamy-skeletal
Ø22	medial over sandy or sandy-
	skeletal
Ø24	medial over thixotropic
Ø11	medial-skeletal
Ø62	sandy
Ø63	sandy or sandy-skeletal
Ø66	sandy over clayey
Ø64	sandy over loamy
Ø44	sandy skeletal
Ø47	sandy-skeletal over clayey
Ø46	sandy-skeletal over loamy
Ø26	thixotropic
Ø28	thixotropic over fragmental
Ø34	thixotropic over loamy
Ø32	thixotropic over loamy skeletal
ø3ø	thixotropic over sandy or sandy- skeletal
a07	
Ø27 134	thixotropic-skeletal very fine
104	very rine
Mine	ralogy
Ø4	calcareous
Ø5	carbonatic
Ø9	chloritic
Ø7	clastic
Ø8	coprogenous
1Ø	diatomaceous
12	ferrihumic
14	ferritic
18	gibbsitic
2Ø	glauconitic
22	gypsic
24	halloysitic
26	illitic
27	illitic (calcareous)
28	kaolinitic
3Ø	marly
32	micaceous
34	mixed
35	mixed (calcareous)
37	montmorillonitic
38 / a	montmorillonitic(calcareous)
4Ø	oxidic
42	sepiolitic
44 46	serpentinitic siliceous
46 5Ø	
Jø	vermiculitic

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TEXTURE L MIN	ERALOGY L	STR	SMR
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(OTHER) DIAGNOSTI	C CRITERIA	I <u>     </u>	
LOCAL CLASSIFICATION:	Luni		
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LATITUDE [ ] . ] . [ . ]	LONGITUDE L_L_		STANCE
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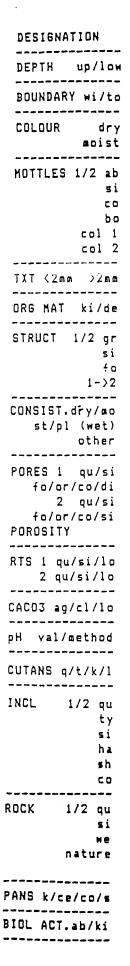
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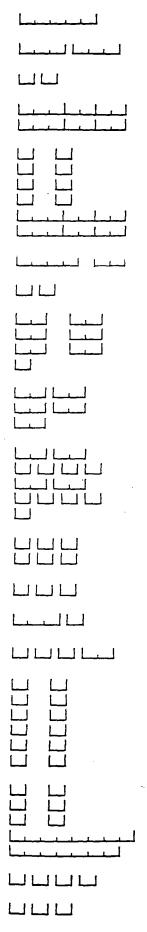
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PHYS.UNIT		<u></u>
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SLOPE GRADIENT (%)	FORM [_].	ASPECT
MICRORELIEF, SURFACE CHARACTERISTICS,		
KIND PATTER	н 门	HEIGHT (cm)
ROCKOUTCROPS	SIZE	(cm) SHAPE
CRACKING [] SLAKING/CRUSTIN		ALKALI LI SALT LI
HYDROLOGY		
WATER TABLE: KIND L DEPTH(cm)	L_L FLUCTU	ATION(cm) FROM
SLOW PERMEABLE LAYER: FROM	(cm)	PERMEABILITY
FLOODING: FREQUENCY [] NATURE []	RUN OFF	DRAINAGE CLASS
MOISTURE CONDITIONS PROFILE (CM):	DRY FROM L MOIST FROM L WET FROM L	TO L TO L TO L TO L
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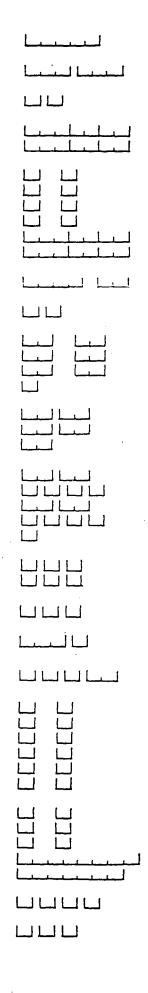
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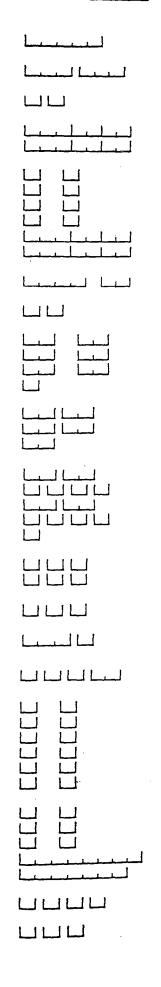
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