



# **Delineation and Evaluation of Subsurface Water Storage to Cope up with the Climatic Variability and Change : Case Studies From Arid to Semi Arid Region Of Western India.**



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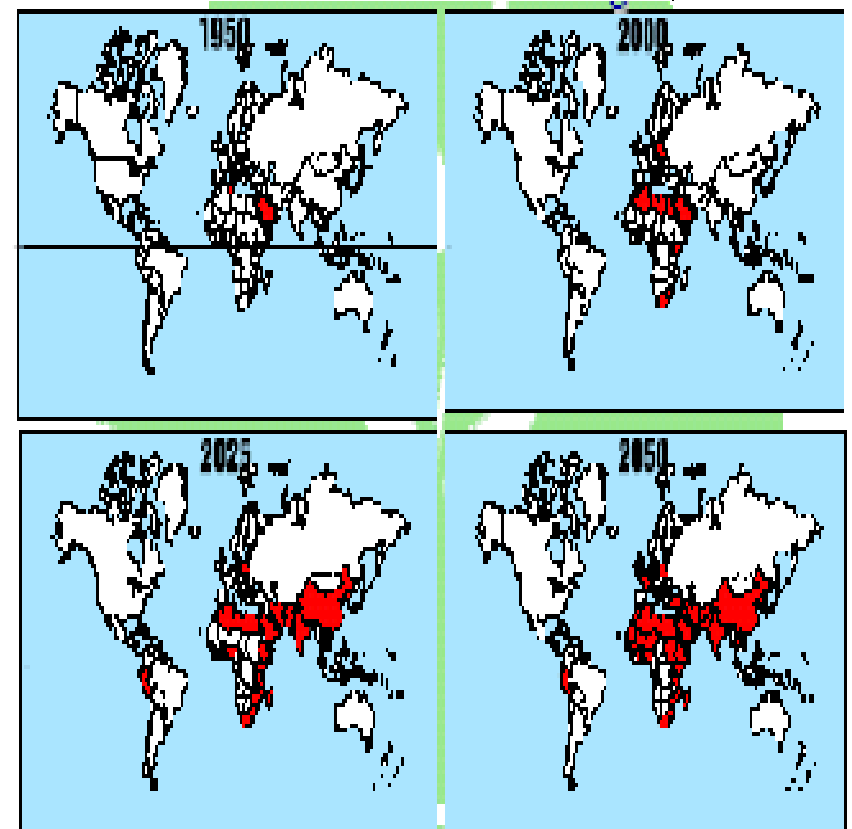
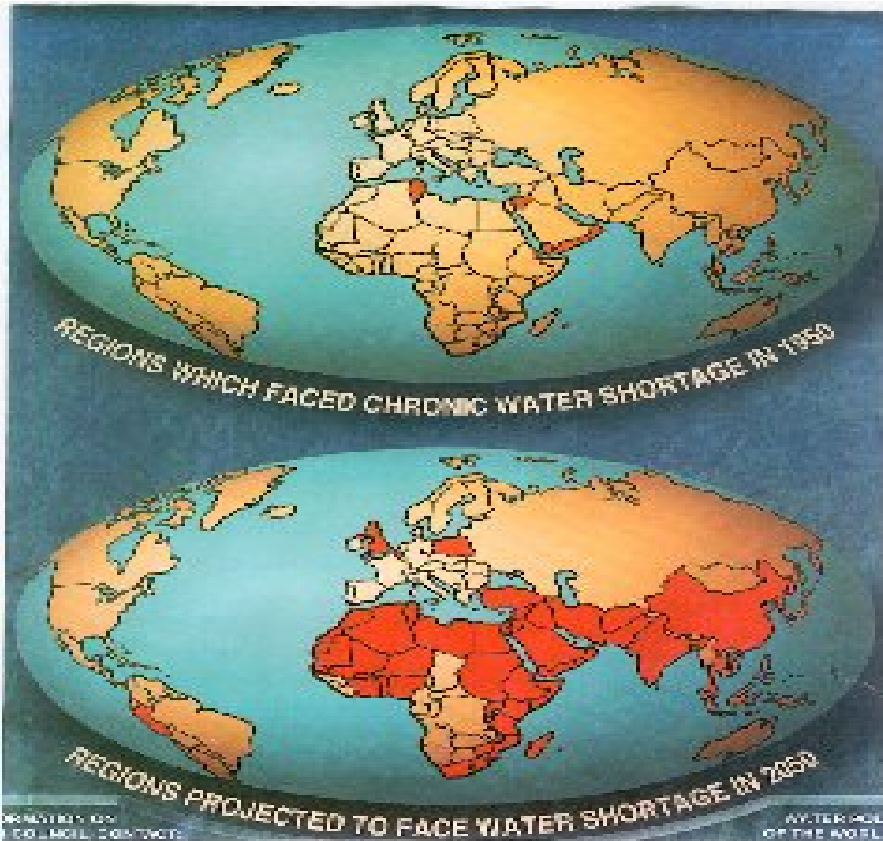
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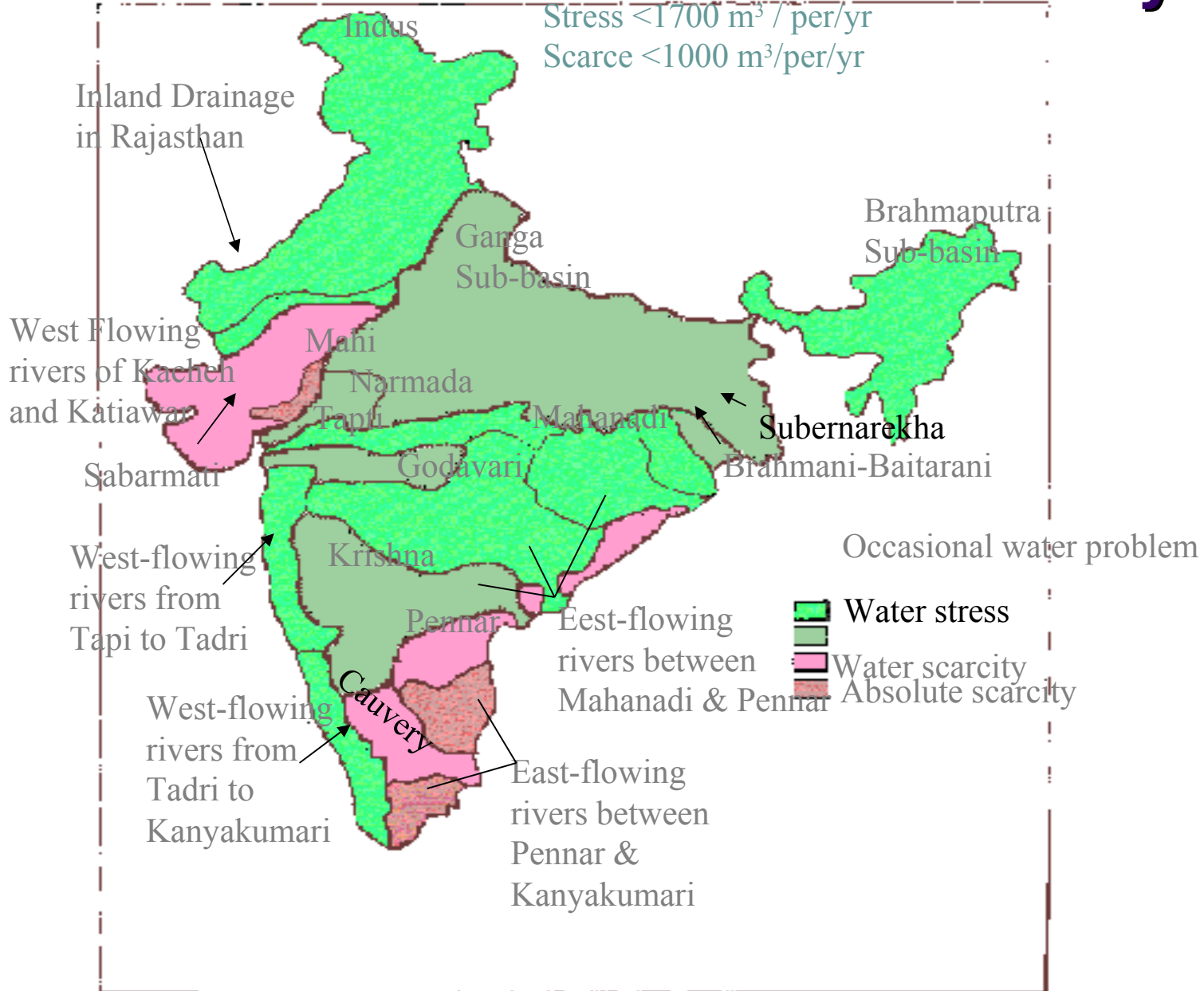
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# Evolution of World Water Shortage in 100 Years



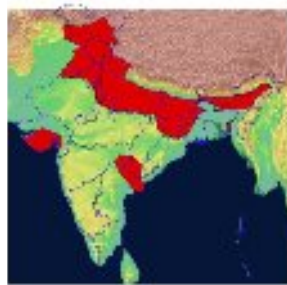
# River Basins- Water stress and water scarcity



# Floods in India and its impacts



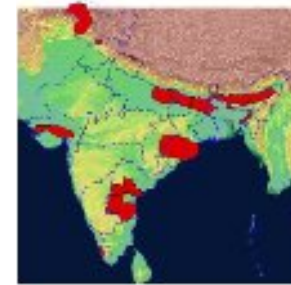
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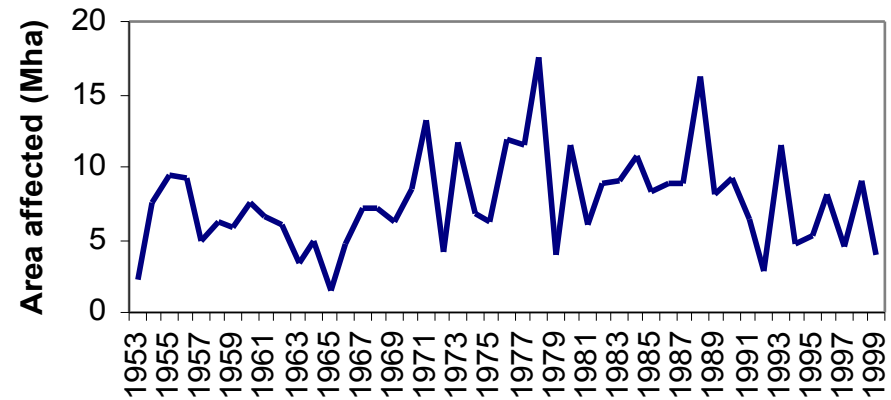
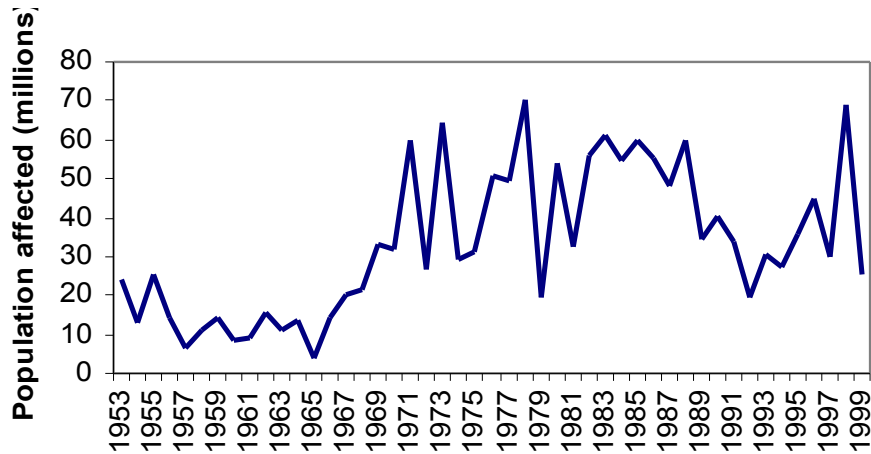
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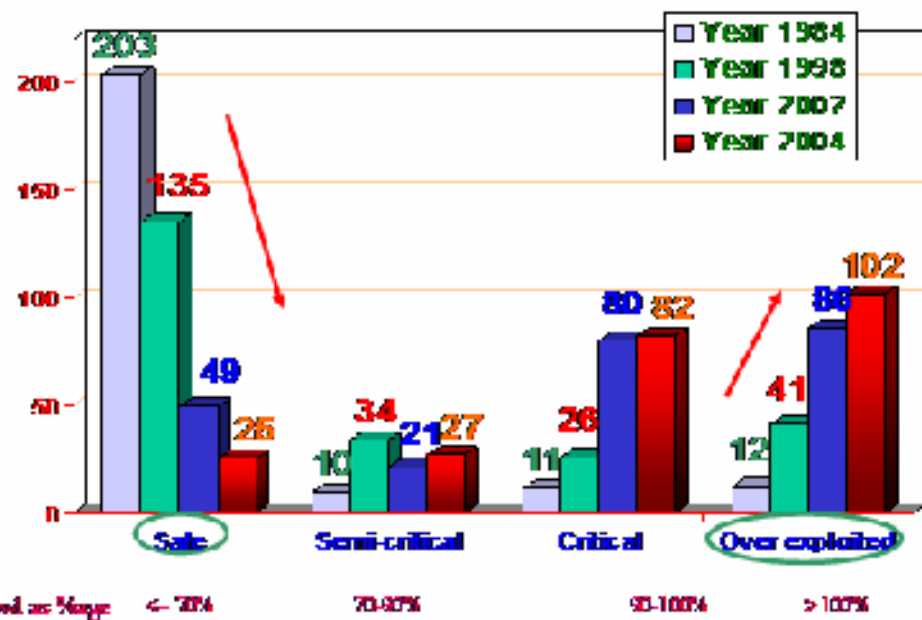
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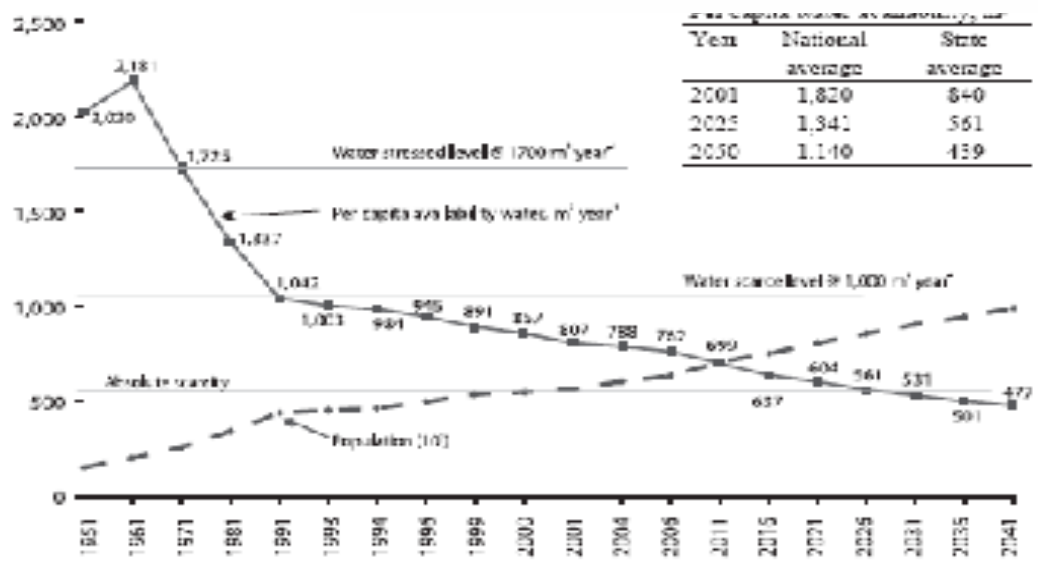




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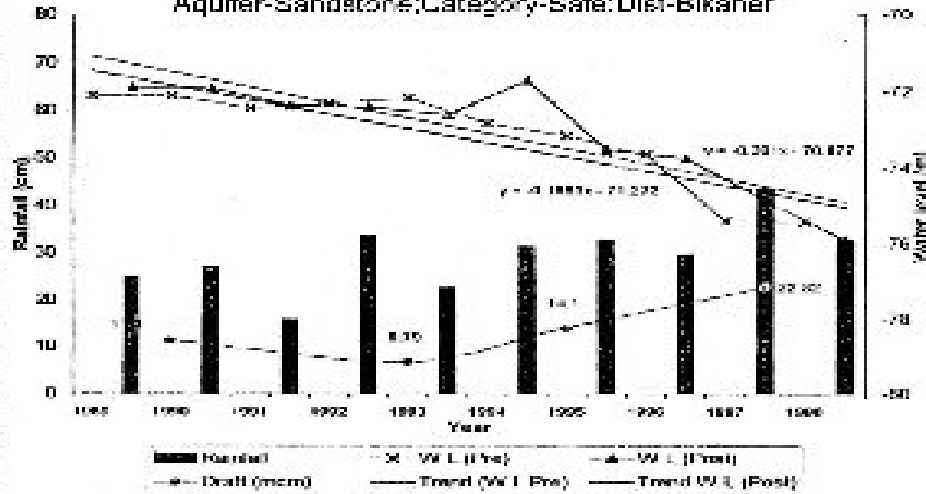
Withdrawal as %age of Recharge



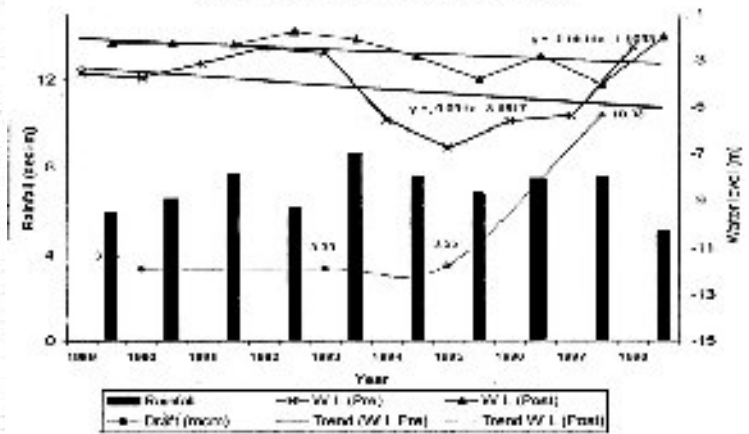
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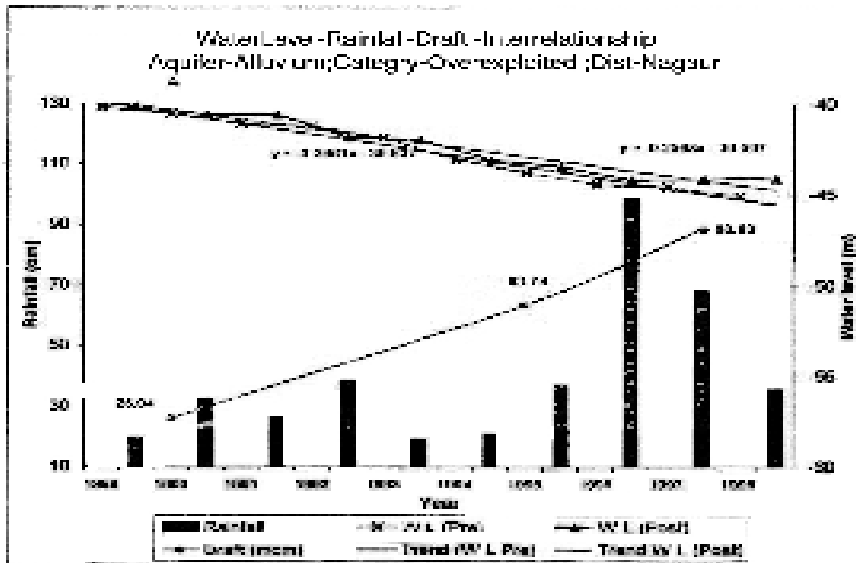
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Aquifer-Sandstone;Category-Safe;Dist-Bikaner



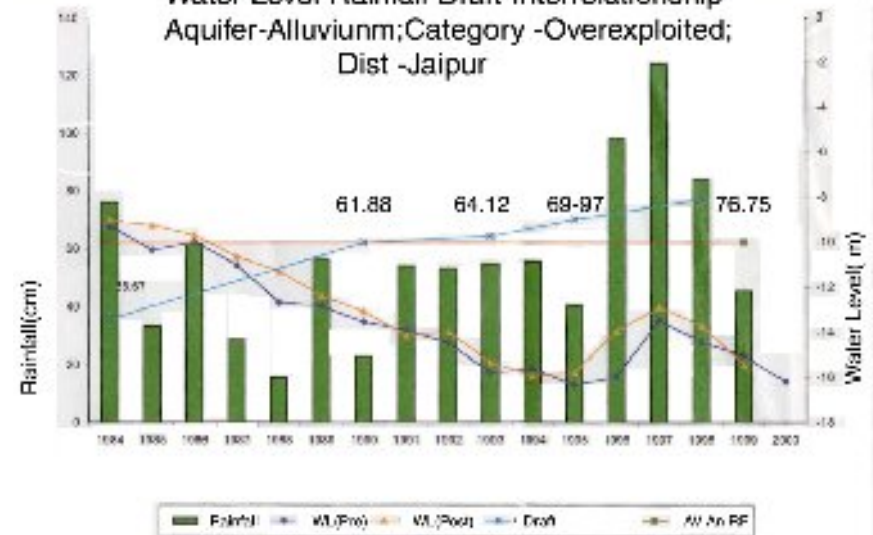
Water Level-Rainfall-Draft Interrelationship  
Aquifer-Alluvium, Category: Safe Dist. Bikaner



Water Level-Rainfall-Draft-Interrelationship  
Aquifer-Alluvium;Category-Overexploited;Dist-Nagaur



Water Level-Rainfall-Draft-Interrelationship  
Aquifer-Alluvium;Category -Overexploited;  
Dist -Jaipur



# Climate Change- Challenges & Opportunities in Arid zone

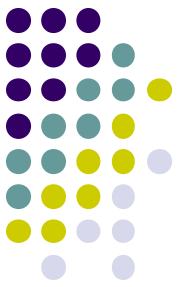


- Climate change is now a **reality** .
- Arid zone must recognise and react to the reality
- Need to **Adapt** to the consequences of Climate Change or to **Mitigate** the causes of it

# Floods in Western India



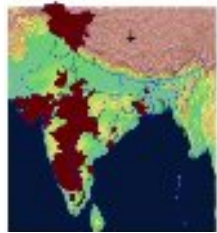
# Temporal-spatial spread of drought & impacts



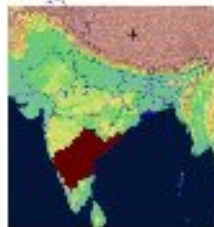
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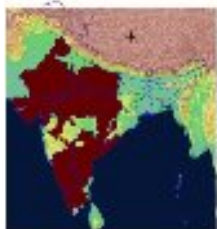
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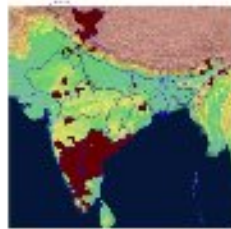
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2002

Drought is occurring in some or the other part of the country

Primary impacts: water availability, agriculture production, hydropower generation

Secondary Impact: Agricultural GDP dips, increase in commodity prices, livelihood of people dependent on rainfed farming (marginal farmers & farm laborers surviving) affected



# Needs for Enhanced Storage

- Need of sufficient storage capacity under growing water demands and increasing climate variability .....

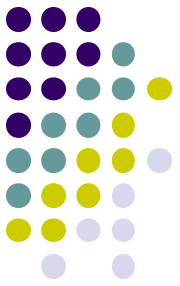
*Tuinhof A, Olsthoorn T, Heederik JP, de Vries J . : 2005: Groundwater storage and water security: making better use of our largest reservoir , Water Sci Technol. 2005;51(5):141-8.*

- A key feature of some aquifers and ground-water systems is the large volume of ground water in storage, which allows the possibility of using aquifers for temporary storage, that is, managing inflow and outflow of ground water in storage in a manner similar to surface-water reservoirs .Even if 8 percent of the 33,000 km<sup>3</sup> (Postel 1999) floodwater that runs off to the oceans annually recharge the groundwater, we have a renewable supply of over 2,500 km<sup>3</sup> of groundwater annually—which seems several times more than the world uses today.**

*Postel, Sandra. 1999. The pillars of sand: Can the irrigation miracle last? Washington: The Worldwatch Institute 1999)<http://www.isnar.org/iwmi/pubs/WWVisn/GrWater.htm> -\_ftn3\_*

- The standard reasoning is that even after 800,000 big and small dams around the world, the reservoirs can capture and store no more than a fifth of the rainwater, the bulk of the remainder still running off to the seas. India has built more than its share of the world's dams but 1,150 km<sup>3</sup> of its rainwater precipitation still run off to the seas annually in the form of**

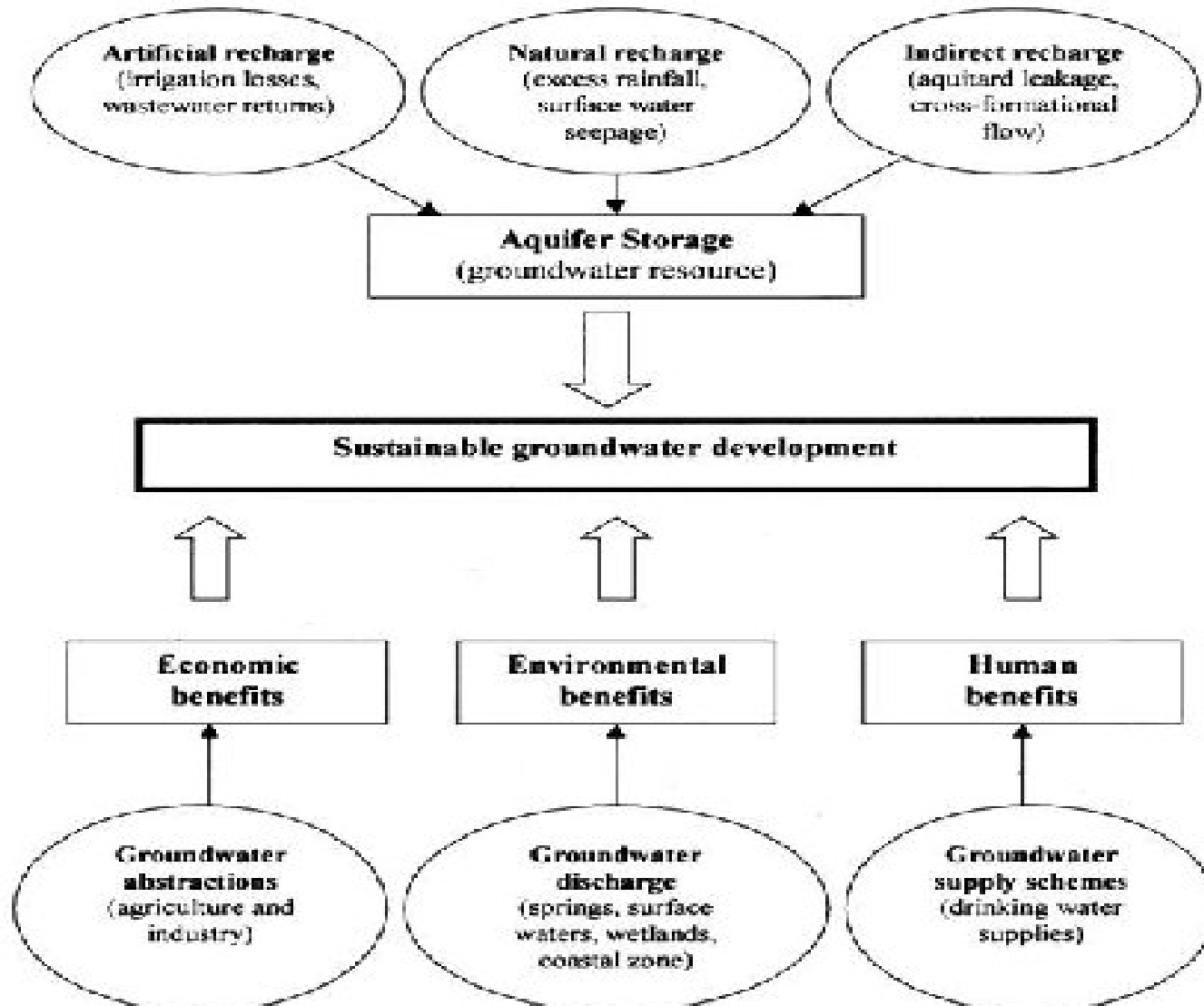
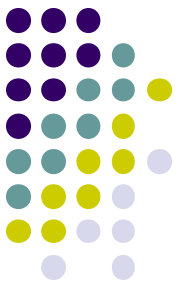
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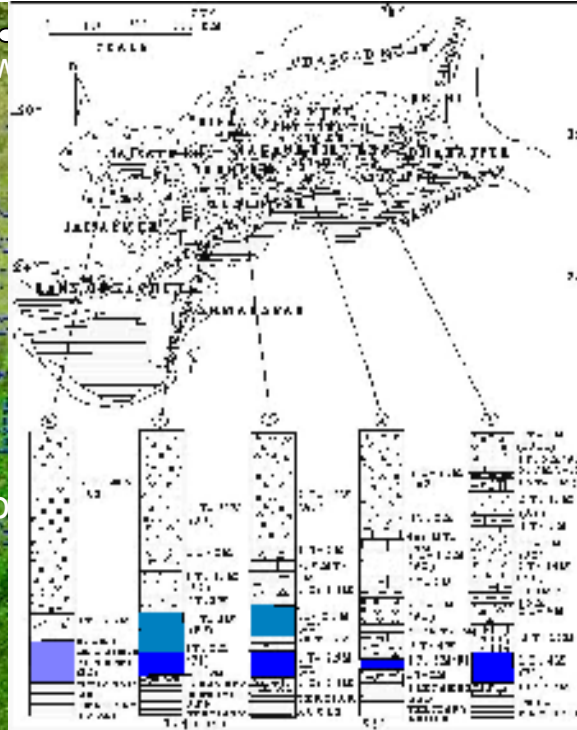
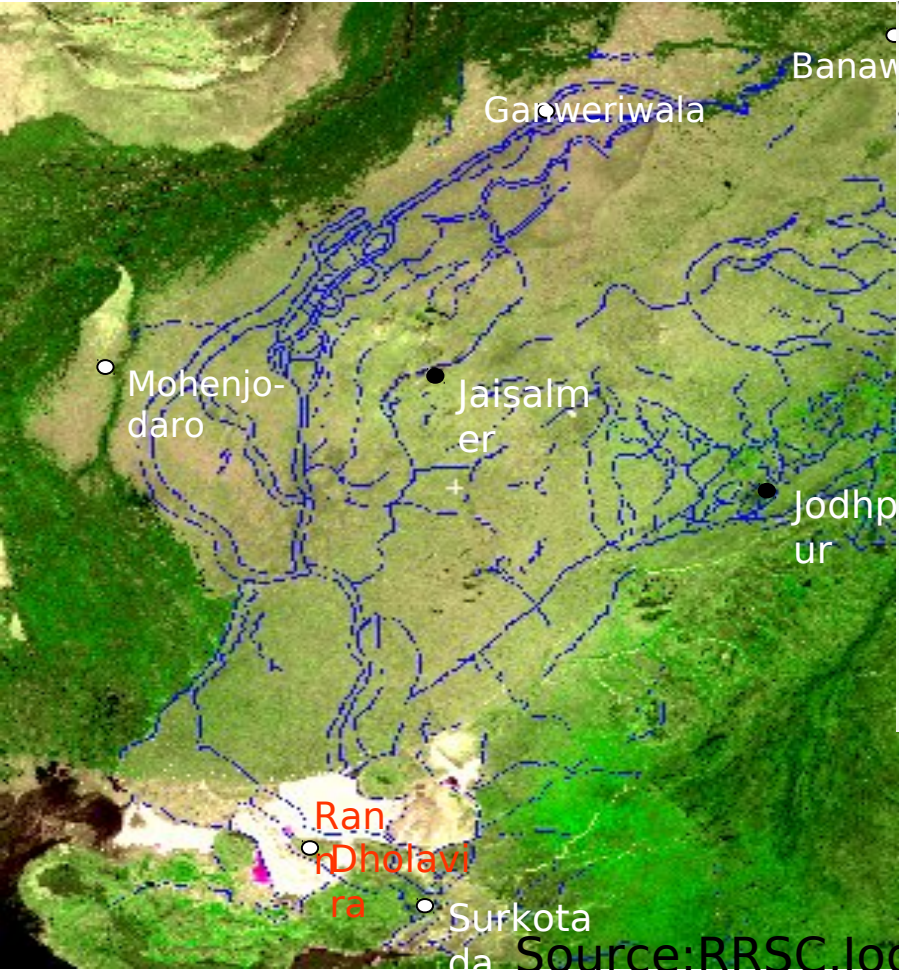
### **Major Objective**

**Understanding Subsurface Storage  
Potentialities in Palaeochannel and  
Ephemeral River basin –Semiarid to  
Arid region of Western India**

# Sustainable management of groundwater resources



# Palaeodrainage in Indian Desert Region- IRS P3 WiFS Image



Source: RRSC, Jodhpur

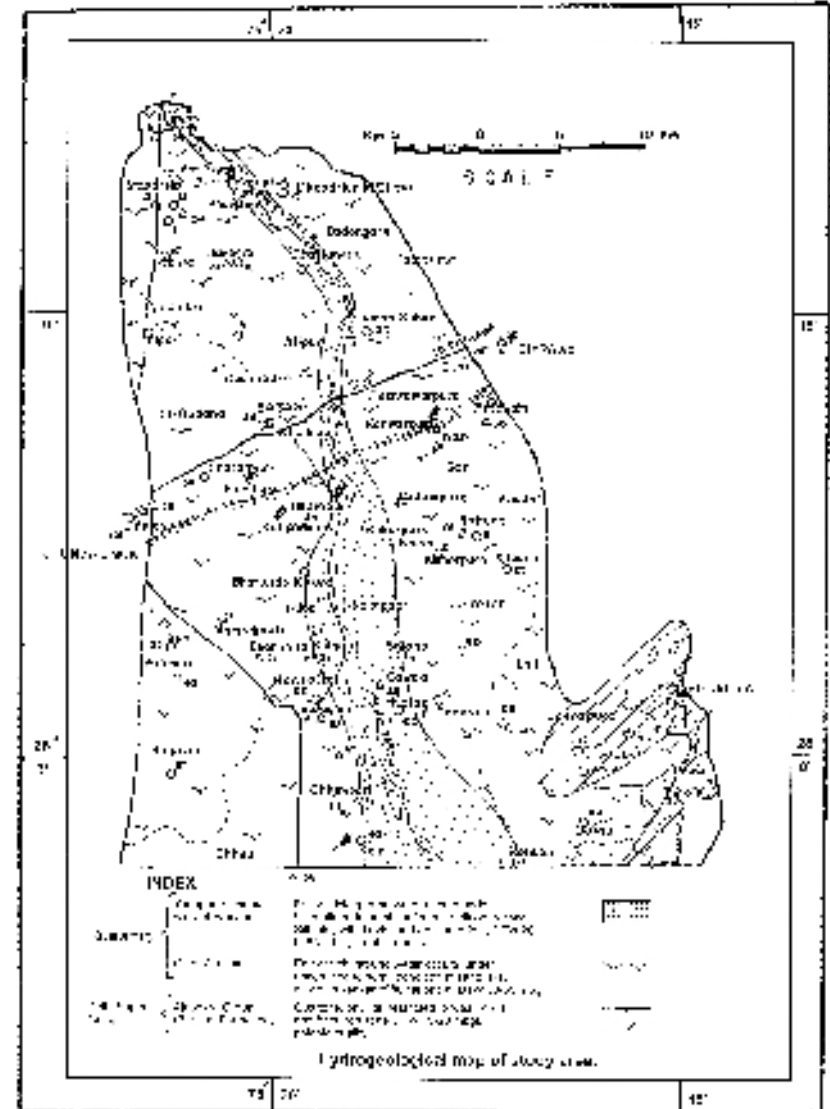
(Sinha & Raghav 2003)

**Palaeodrainage -Excellent Storage for Groundwater**

# HYDROGEOLOGY

Aquifer	Area (sq. km)	Percentage of total area
Younger alluvium	121.18	11.10
Older alluvium	877.92	80.38
Quartzite	89.97	8.24

Depth to water level 13.55 – 61.10 m



# FENCE DIAGRAM, LOWER KANTLI BASIN

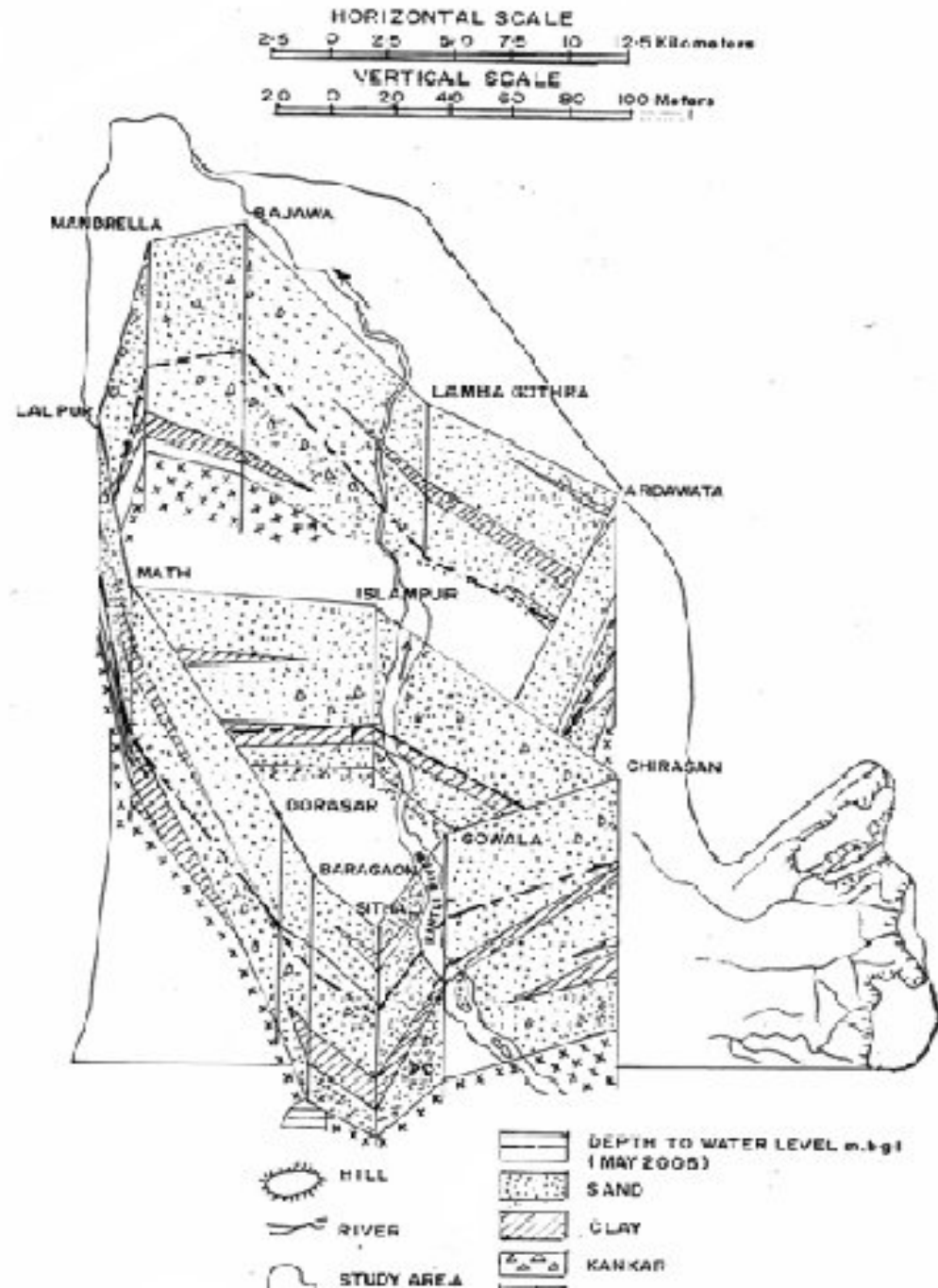
Number of boreholes :  
12

Depth of drilling :  
60 – 125 m.

Thickness of alluvium :  
78 – 102 m.

Basement  
Malani granite

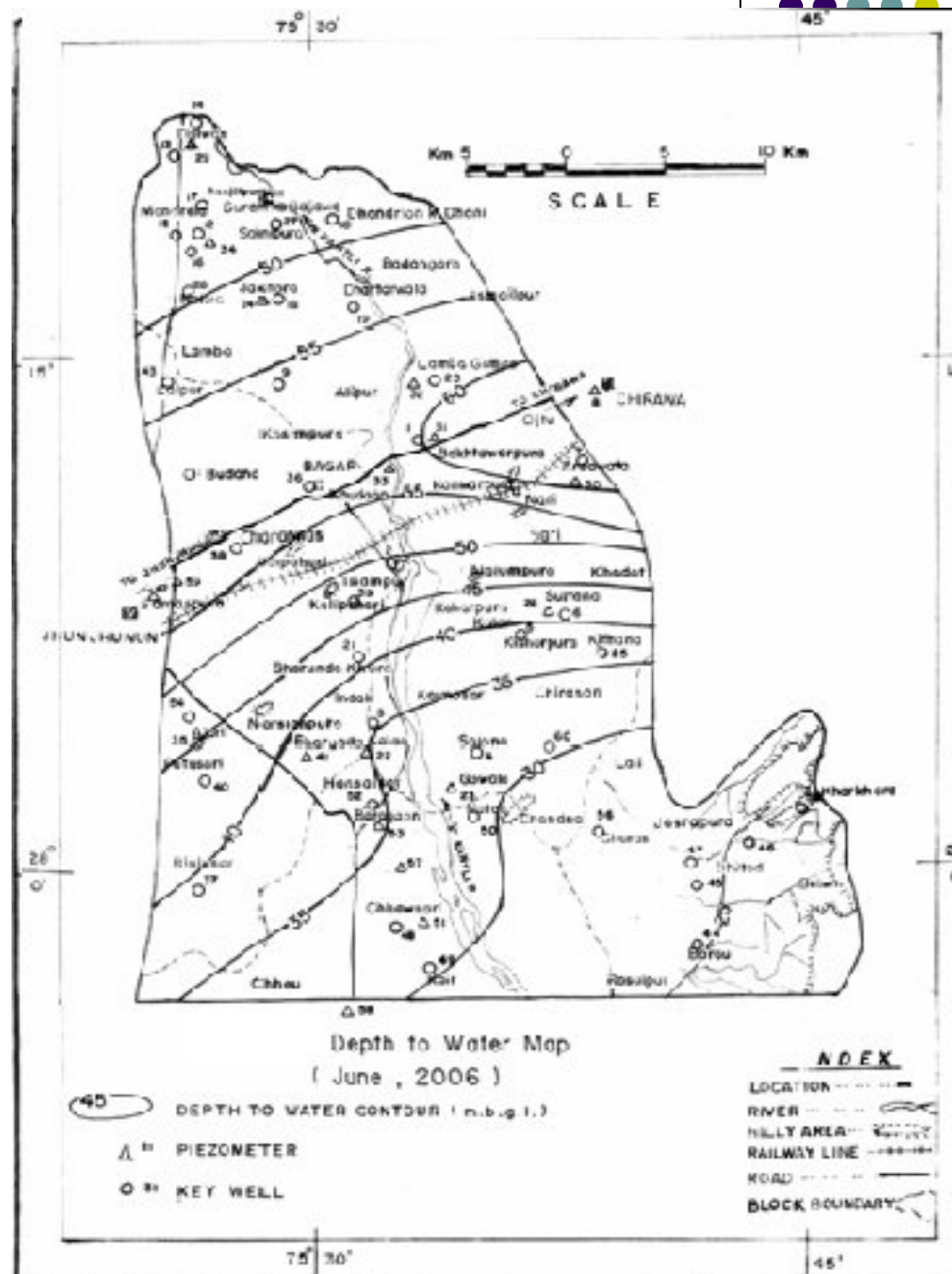
Depth to water level  
35 – 55 m.





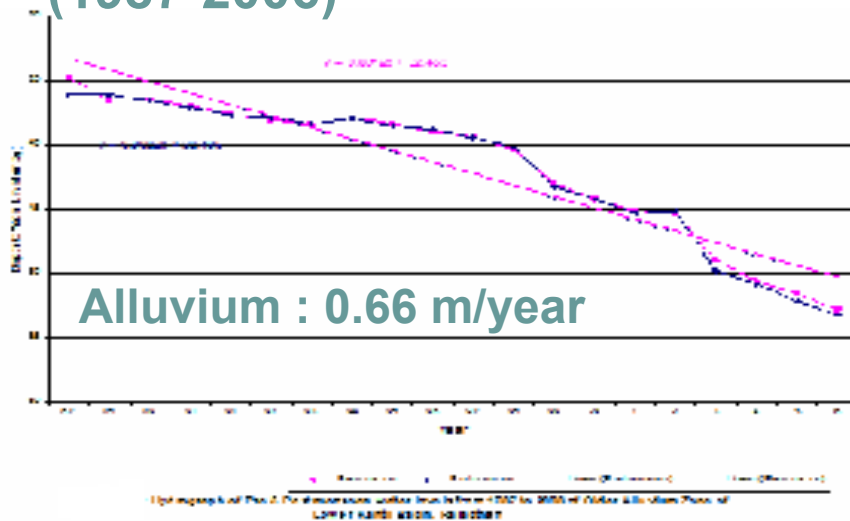
# GROUND WATER LEVEL BEHAVIOUR

- ❖ Depth to water level :  
13.55 – 61.10 m.
- ❖ In major part  
between 30 and 50 m
- ❖ Southern and southeastern part  
shallow i.e. < 35 m
- ❖ Central part  
deeper i.e. 35 – 60 m
- ❖ Northern part  
45 – 55 m

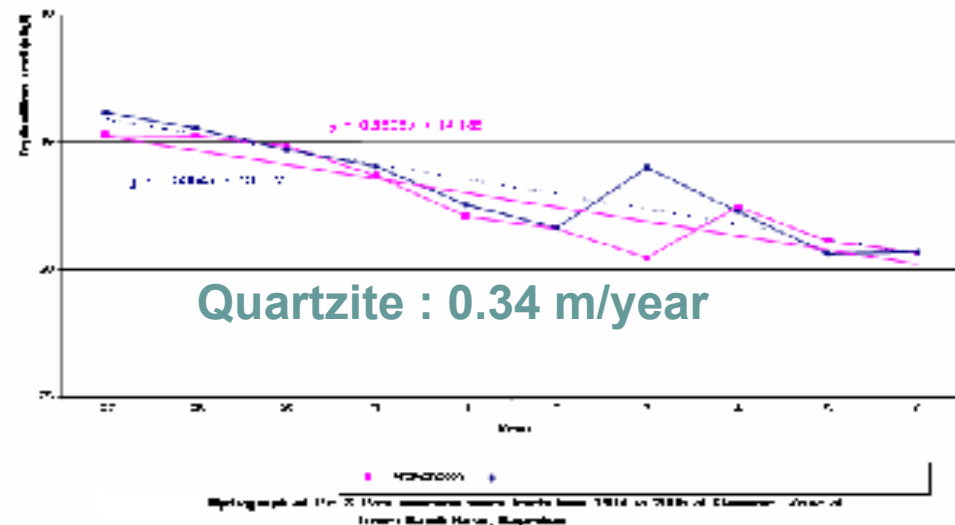
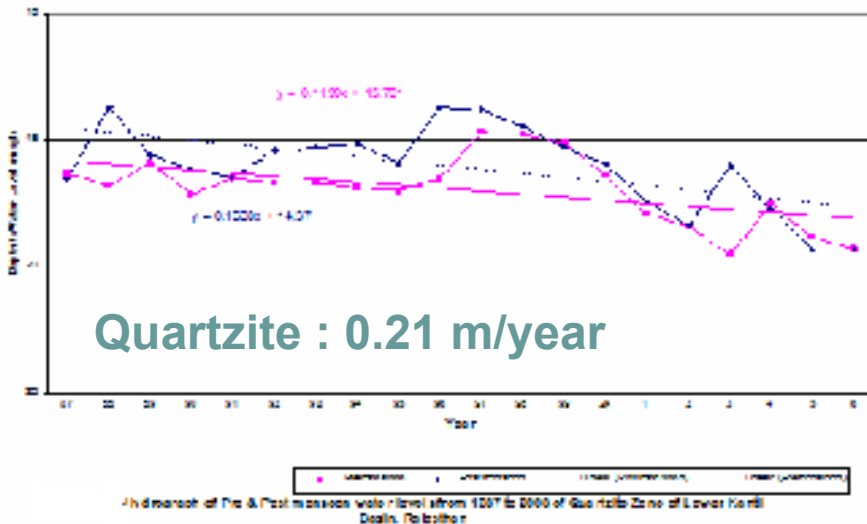
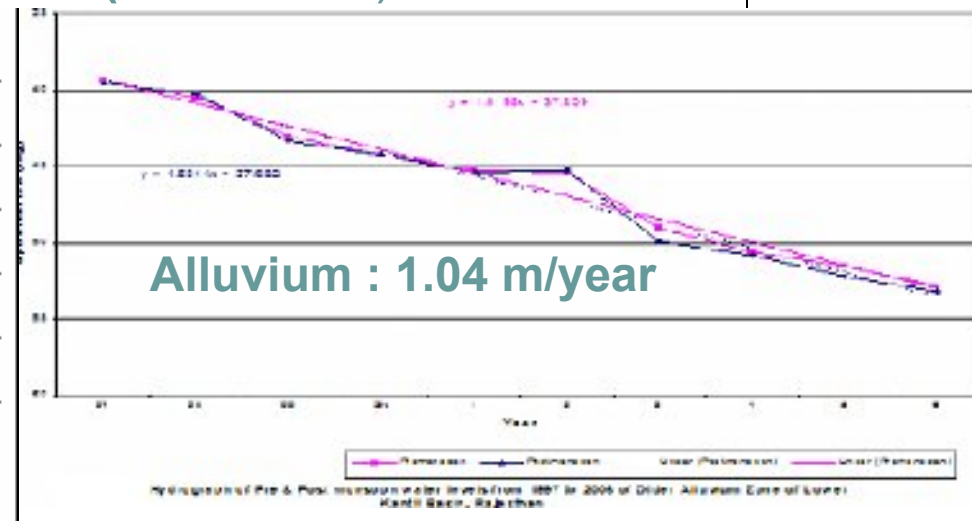




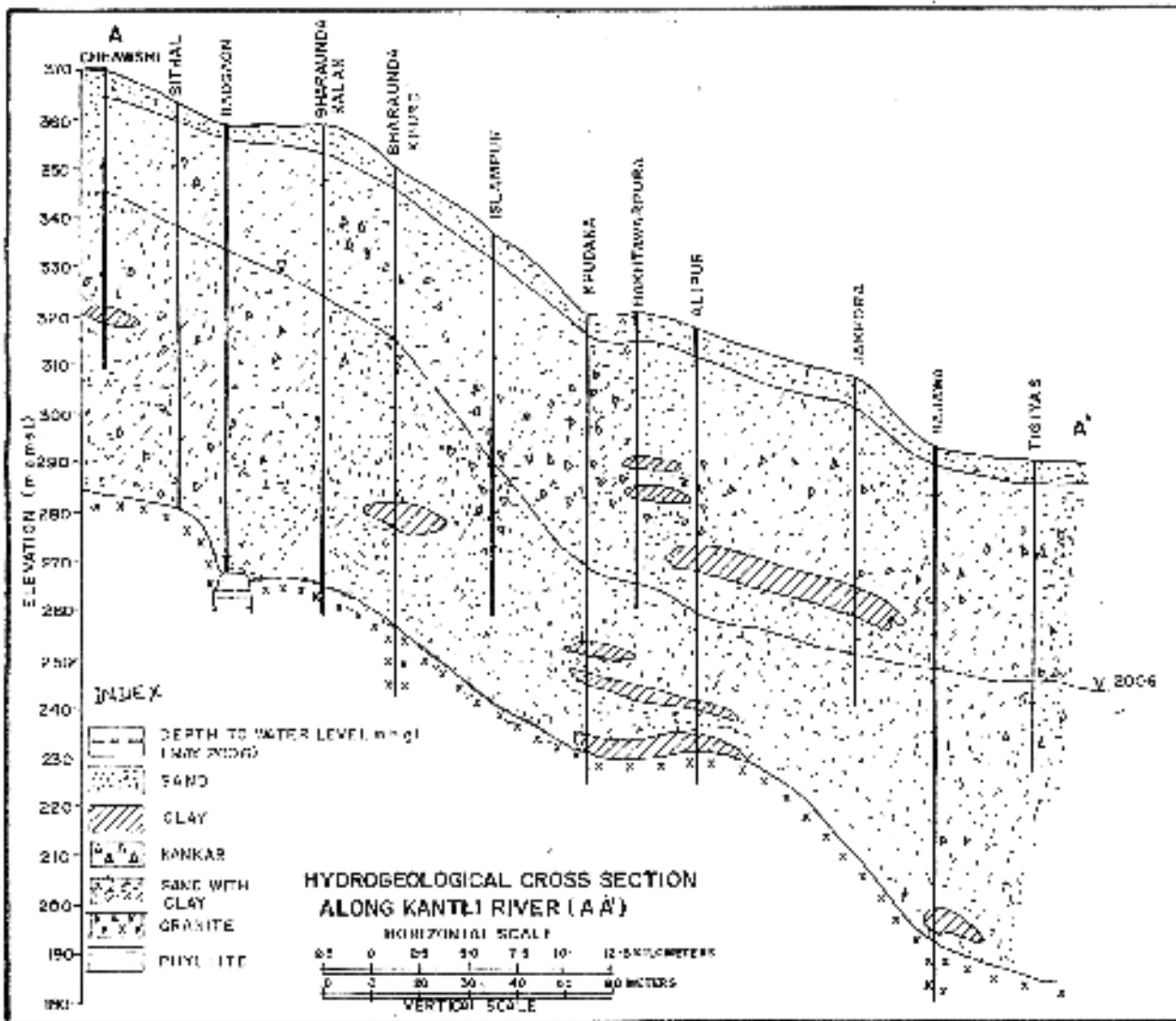
# Decline in water level (1987-2006)



# Decline in water level (1997-2006)

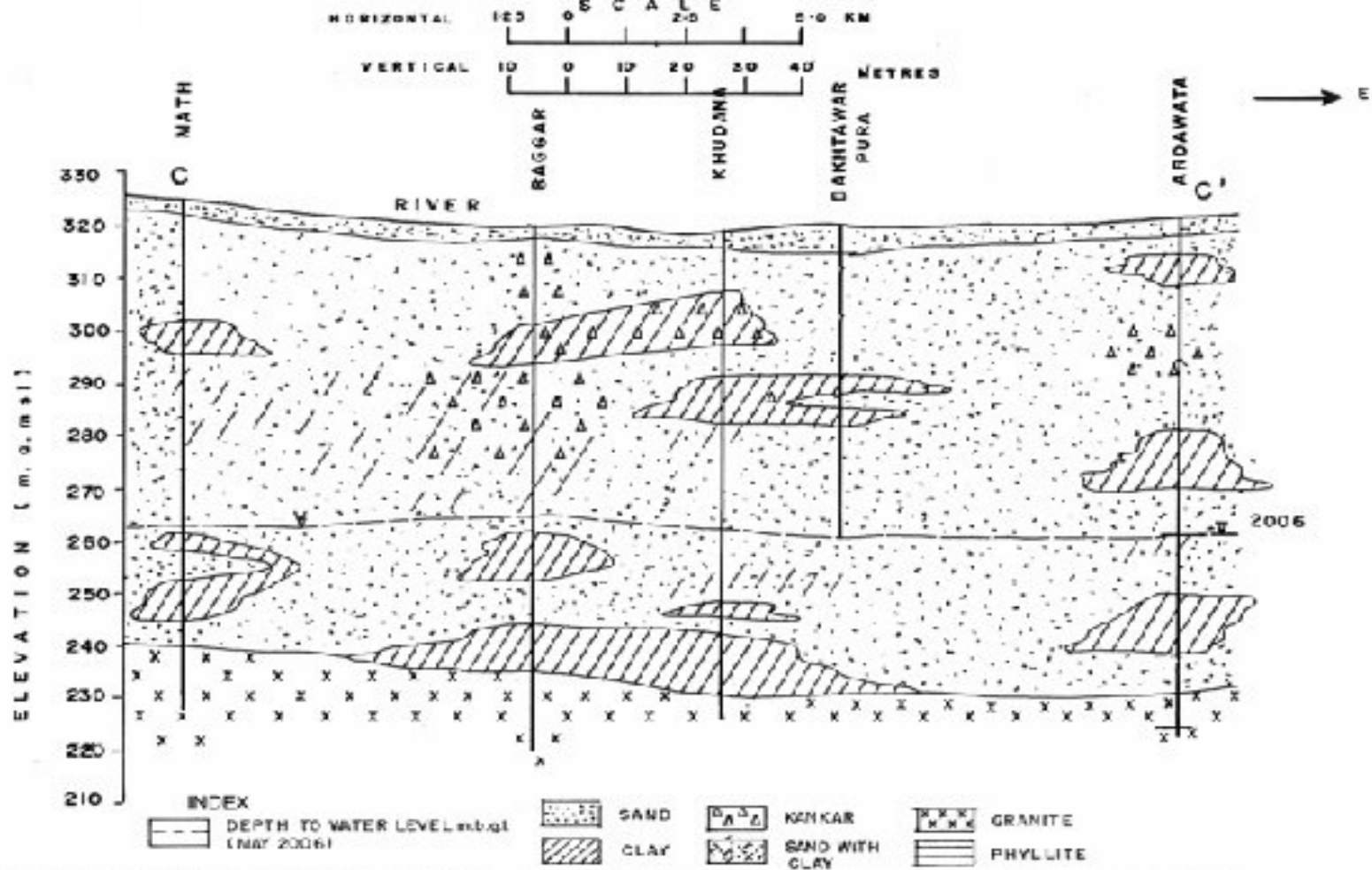




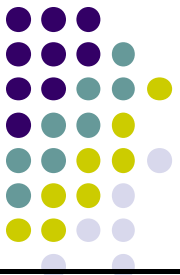


- Ground elevation - 370 – 290 m amsl.
- Thickness of alluvium - 69 – 102 m.
- Basement - Malani granite

# HYDROGEOLOGICAL CROSS SECTION ACROSS KANTLI RIVER (C C')



- Ground elevation - 319 - 325 m amsl.
- Thickness of alluvium - 85 - 100 m.
- Basement - Malani granite



# Aquifer Storage Space

Pot. Zone	Pot. Zone area (sq.km.)	Average depth to water level below 3m (Post 06)	Aquifer thickness (m)	Sp Yield (%)	Storage space in aquifer (MCM)	Non aquifer saturated thickness (m)	Sp Yield of non aquifer (%)	Storage space in non aquifer (MCM)	Total storage space available (MCM)
A	121.18	31.83	7.96	0.12	115.75	23.87	0.012	34.71	150.46
Ao	877.92	50.22	12.55	0.1	1101.78	37.67	0.01	330.71	1432.50
Q	89.97	16.3	16.3	0.015	21.99	-	-	-	21.99
	1089.07		36.81		1239.53	61.54		365.42	1604.96

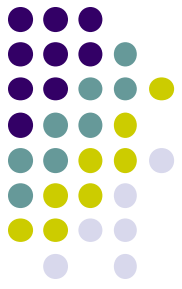
# Artificial Recharge To Ground Water



To augment the depleted ground water resources, rain water harvesting and artificial recharge to ground is very effective in supply side management of ground water resources.

Average annual rainfall : 465.5 mm.

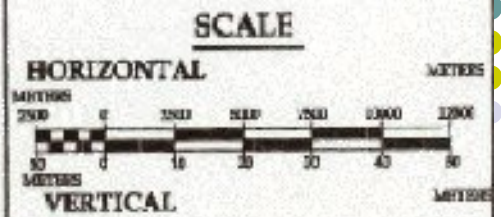
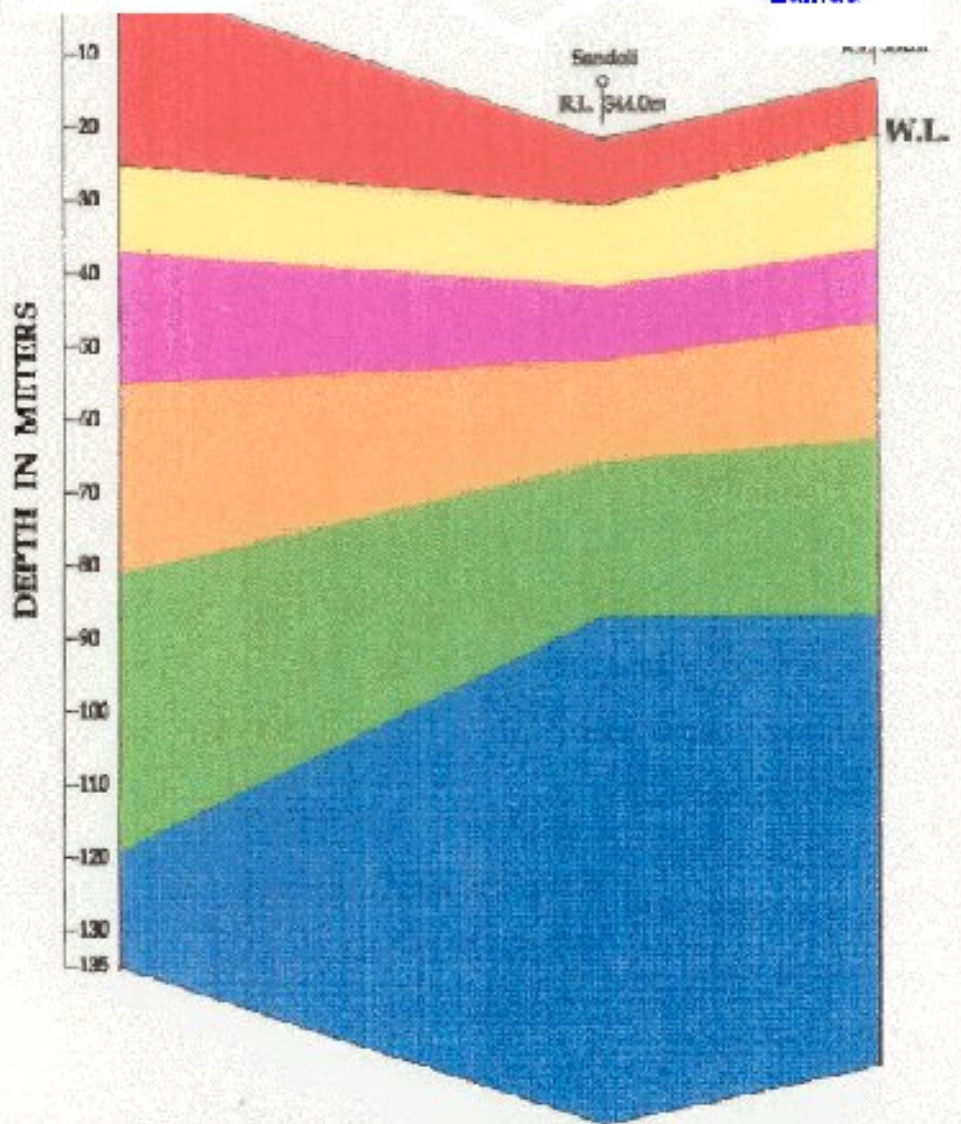
Aquifer	Area (sq.km)	Volume of water (MCM)	Efficiency (%)	Water to be recharged (MCM)	Percolation Tank		Dug well recharge		Recharge Pit/RTRHS	
					Volume (MCM)	No	Volume (MCM)	No	Volume (MCM)	No.
A	121.18	2.4343	0.9	2.1909	1.3145	4	0.6573	329	0.2191	577
Ao	877.92	17.6577	0.9	15.8919	9.5352	32	4.7676	2384	1.5892	4182
Q	89.97	1.8299	0.9	1.6469	0.9881	3	0.4941	247	0.1647	433
<b>Total</b>	<b>1089.1</b>	<b>21.9219</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>19.7297</b>	<b>11.8378</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>5.9189</b>	<b>2960</b>	<b>1.9730</b>	<b>5192</b>







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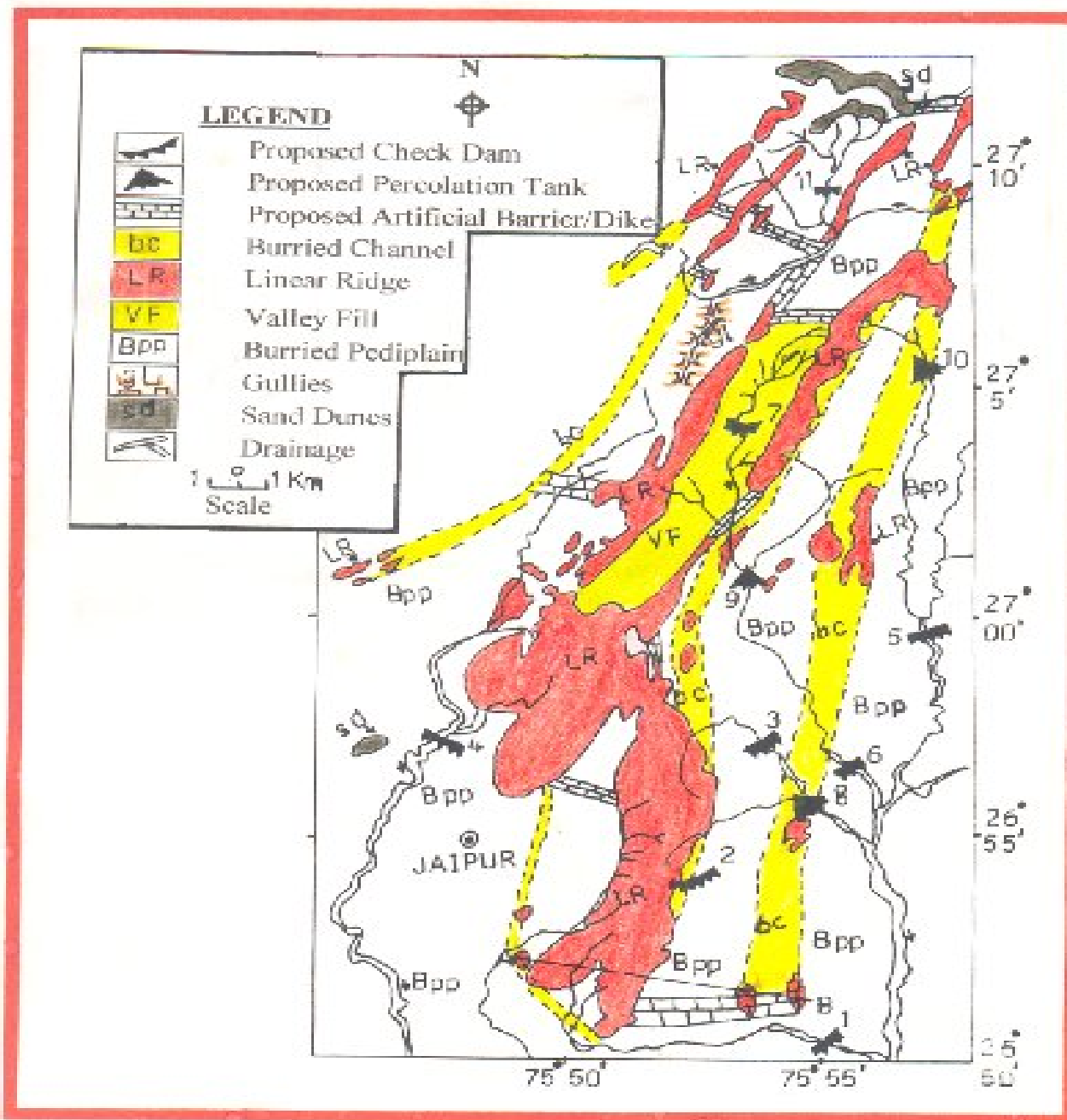
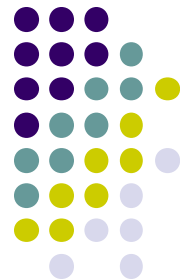


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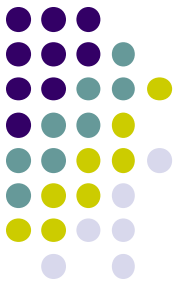
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-  FINE TO MEDIUM SAND, KANKAR & GRAVEL
-  CLAY/CLAY & KANKAR
-  MEDIUM SAND, KANKAR & GRAVEL
-  FRACTURED MEDIUM HARD ROCK
-  HARD & COMPACT ROCK
-  GEO-ELECTRIC SOUNDING POINTS
-  WATER LEVEL
-  TOPOGRAPHICAL PROFILE

R.L. 244.0m H.W.L. ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL BASED ON TOPOGRAPHY AT 1:50,000 SCALE BY SURVEY OF INDIA

**FIG** Geoelectric cross-section of subsurface lithology across Kantli River Basin



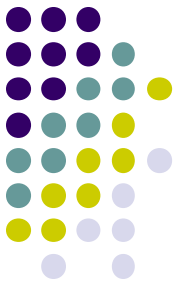
## Case Studies - II



# Groundwater & Saline Area Management

## Major Objective

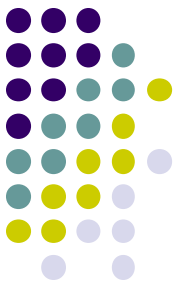
**Interfacing Fresh-Saline Groundwater  
Zone & Recharge Estimation**



# Origin of Problem

- About 23% of formation water available in Rajasthan is saline in nature.
- Generally in saline areas, a thin cushion of potable water floating on the saline water is withdrawn for drinking and other use.
- Rajasthan accounts of 49% of villages facing groundwater salinity and 56% of villages with Fluoride contaminated groundwater in India.

# Need For Saline Pockets Investigation



- The saline zones in this dry state of India are quite prominent but so small that they are not reflected even on district level hydrogeological maps.
- The occurrence of well-defined saline pockets within fresh water region warranted the need to take up systematic micro level hydrogeological investigations to understand the precise hydrogeological set up of the saline aquifer and its development

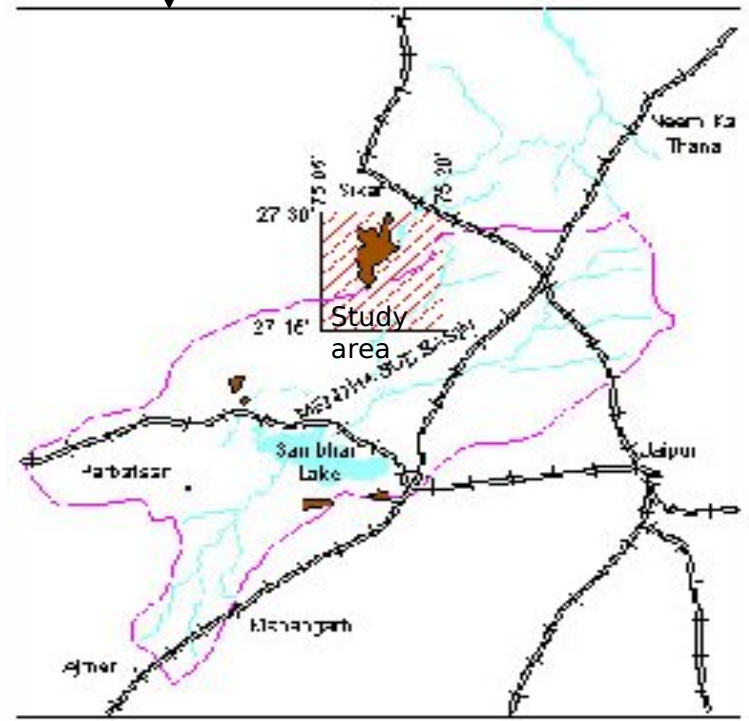
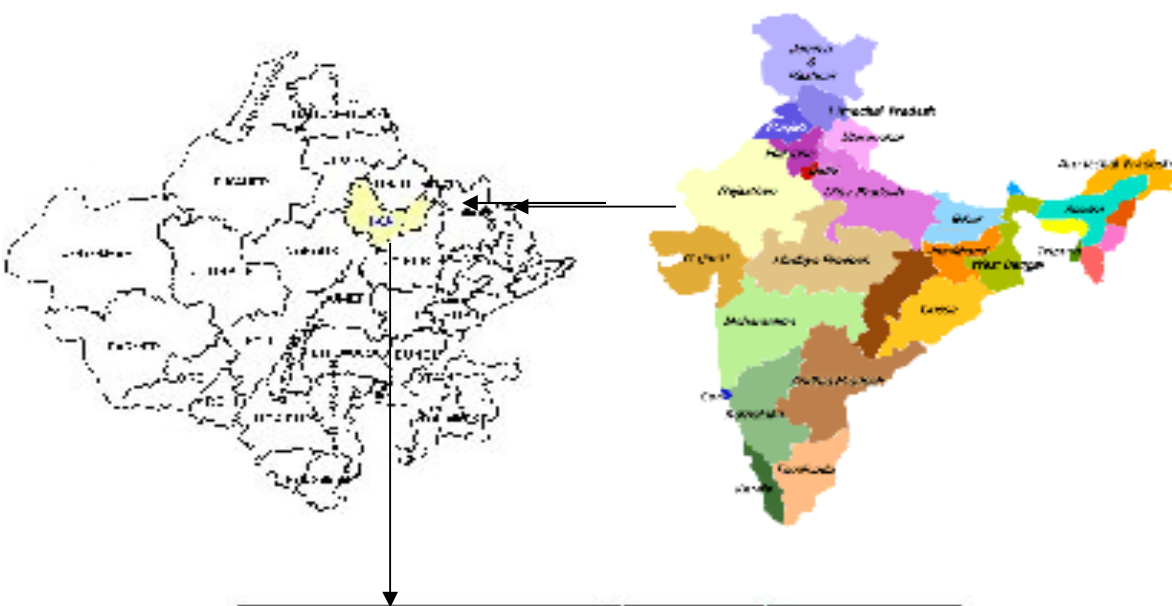
# The Dynamic Potable and Saline Water Resources of Rajasthan



<b>Water Resources</b>	<b>Potable water</b>	<b>Poor quality water</b>
<b>Potential zone area (km<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>220169.06</b>	<b>97673.13</b>
<b>Net annual groundwater availability (mcm)</b>	<b>10382.5781</b>	<b>3104.0937</b>
<b>Existing gross groundwater draft for irrigation (mcm)</b>	<b>11599.0104</b>	<b>487.6452</b>
<b>Existing gross groundwater draft for domestic and industrial use (mcm)</b>	<b>139.1914</b>	<b>13.29</b>
<b>Existing gross groundwater draft for all uses (mcm)</b>	<b>12991.2018</b>	<b>500.9352</b>
<b>Allocation for domestic and Industrial requirement as on year 2025 (mcm)</b>	<b>2719.7713</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net groundwater availability for future irrigation development (mcm)</b>	<b>-3936.2036</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Present groundwater balance (mcm)</b>	<b>-2608.6237</b>	<b>2603.1586</b>
<b>Stage of groundwater development (%)</b>	<b>125.13</b>	<b>16.14</b>



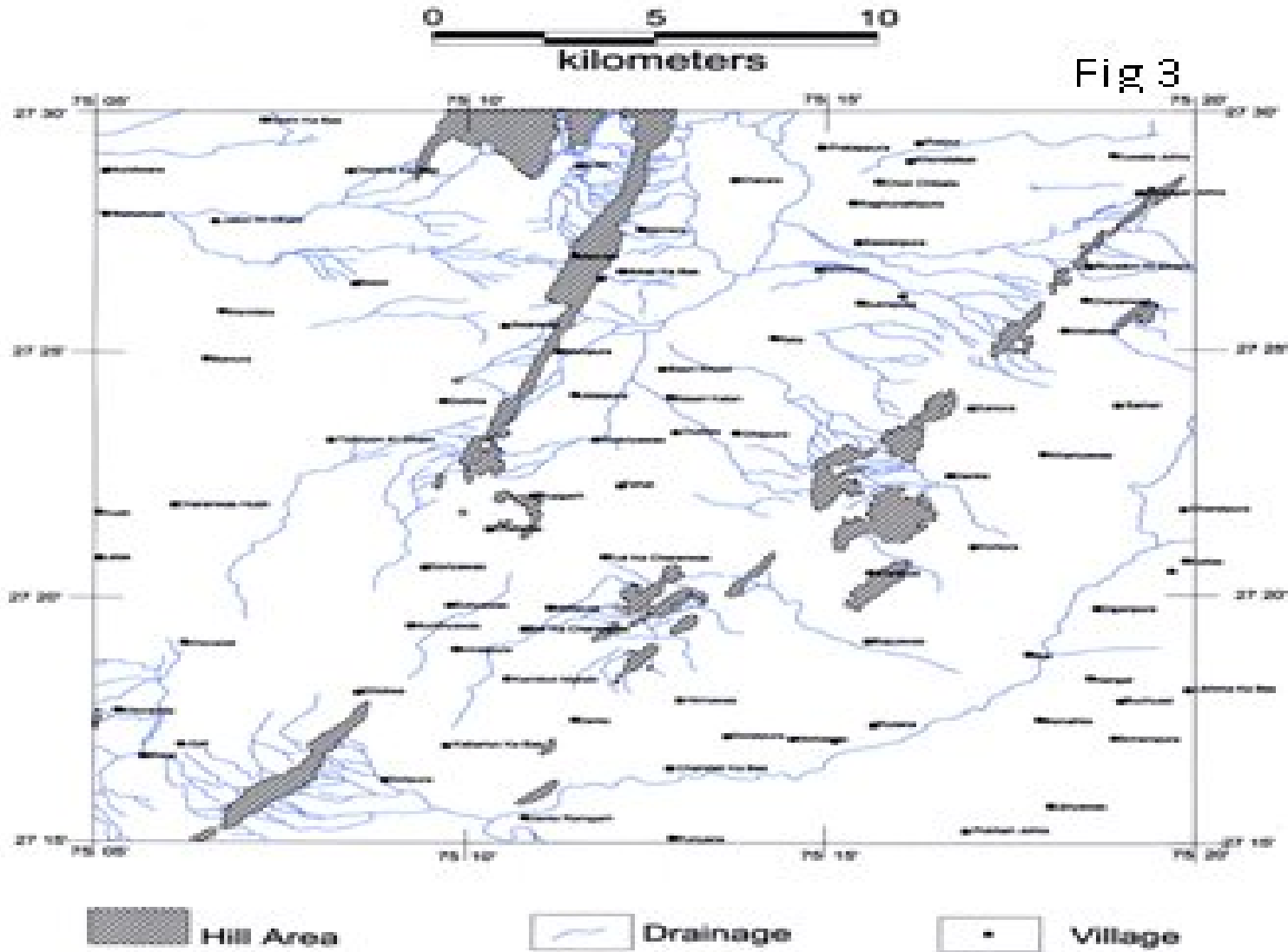
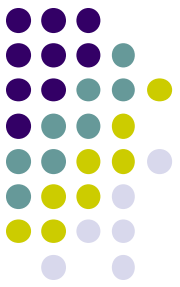
# Study Area



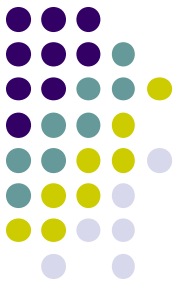
**parallels 27°15' - 27°30'  
and meridians 75°5' -  
75°20'**

**720 km<sup>2</sup>( SOI Topo-sheet nos.  
45M/3 & 45M/7 )**

# Physiography & Drainage

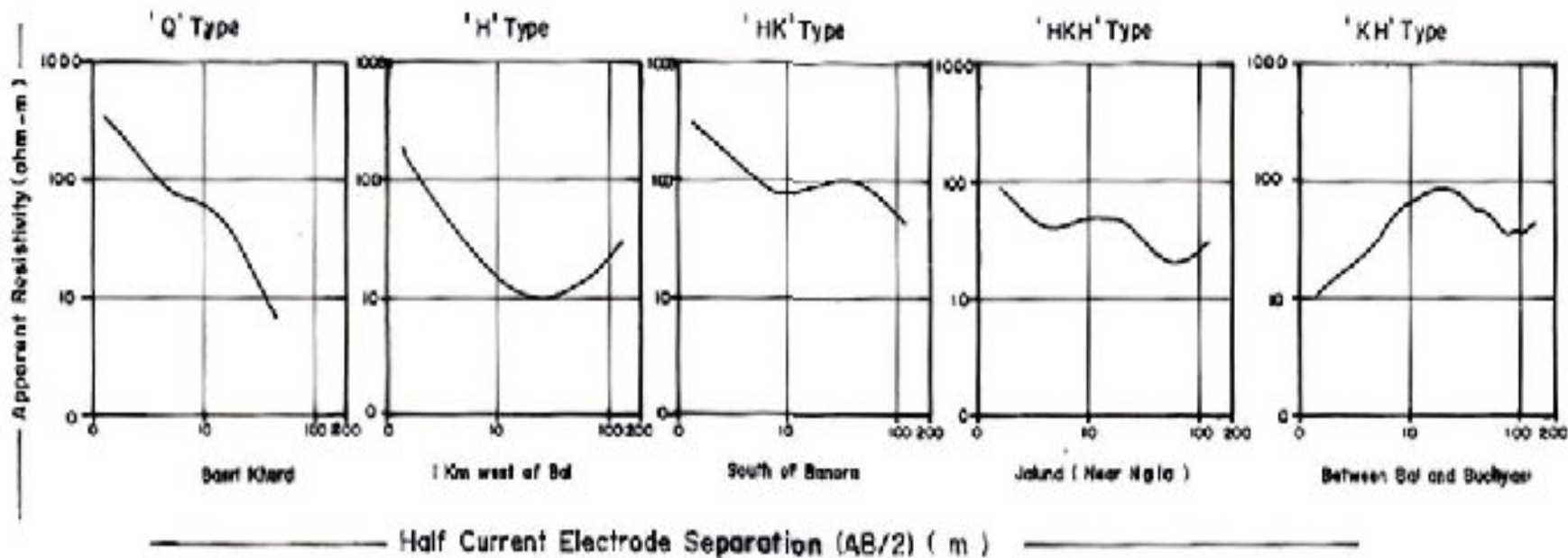


# Geo Electrical Resistivity Sounding

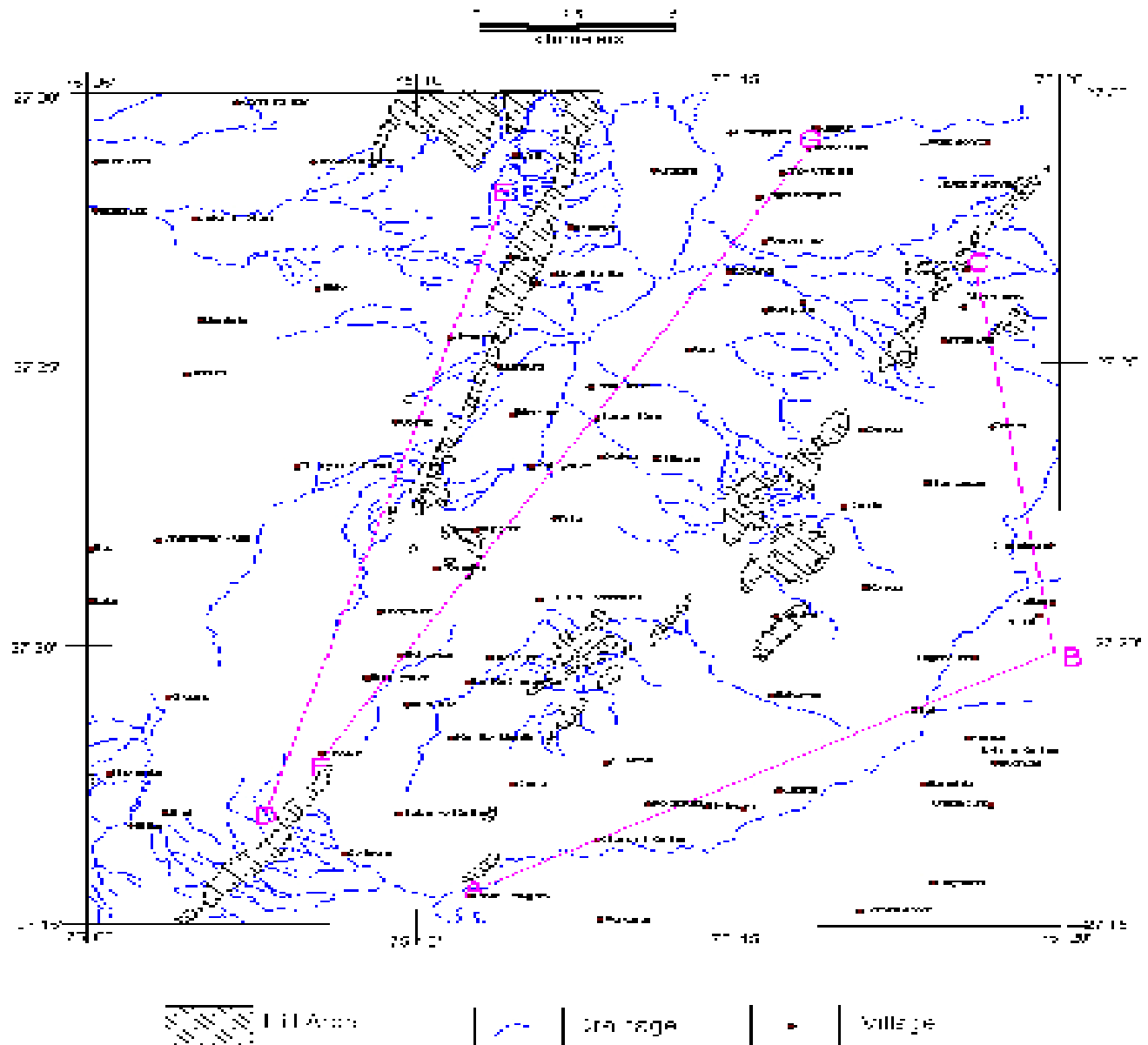


- 83 VES of Schlumberger array were interpreted:
- Q', 'H', 'HK', 'HKH' and 'KH' type curves are encountered in the area.
- 'A' type curve is not represented in the area.
- 'Q' type curves are noticed in saline formation water areas.
- 'H' type curves are noticed in hard rock areas.
- The potential areas are represented by 'HKH' and 'KH' type curves.
- 'HK' type curves indicate presence of finer clastics and deterioration of groundwater quality with depth.

# Representatives Schlumberger VES Type Curves of Study Area

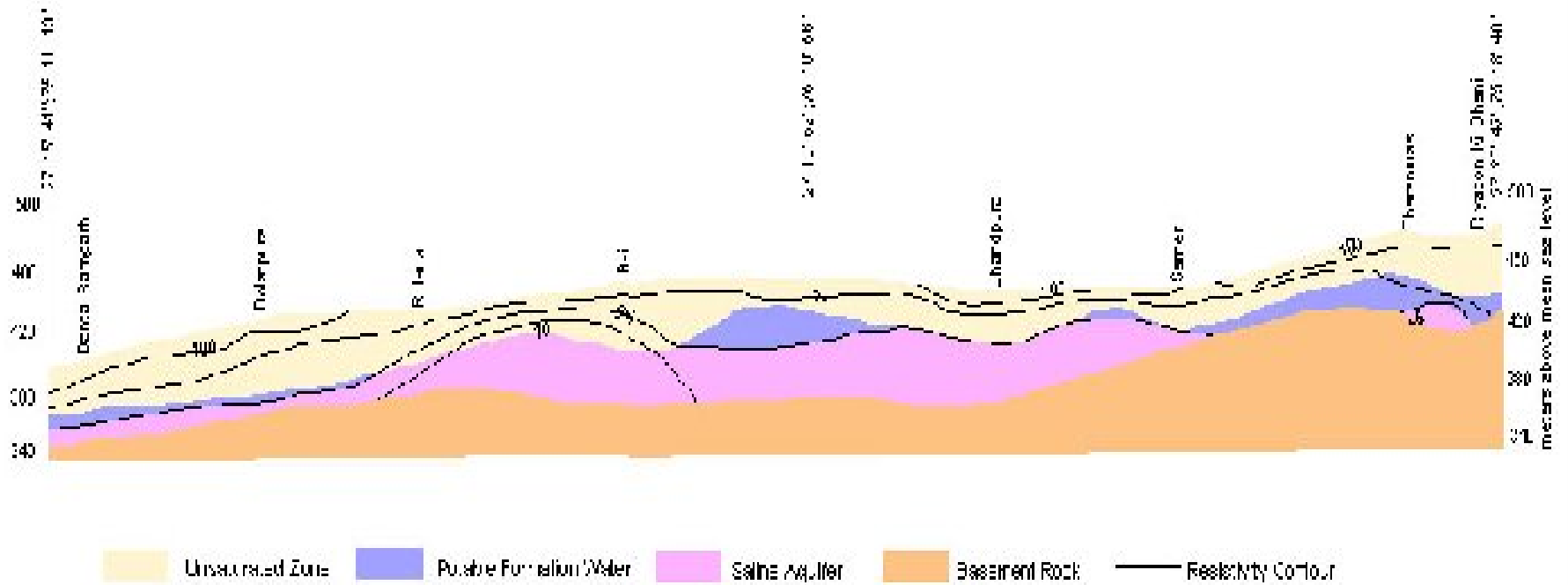


# Electrical Resistivity Section Lines



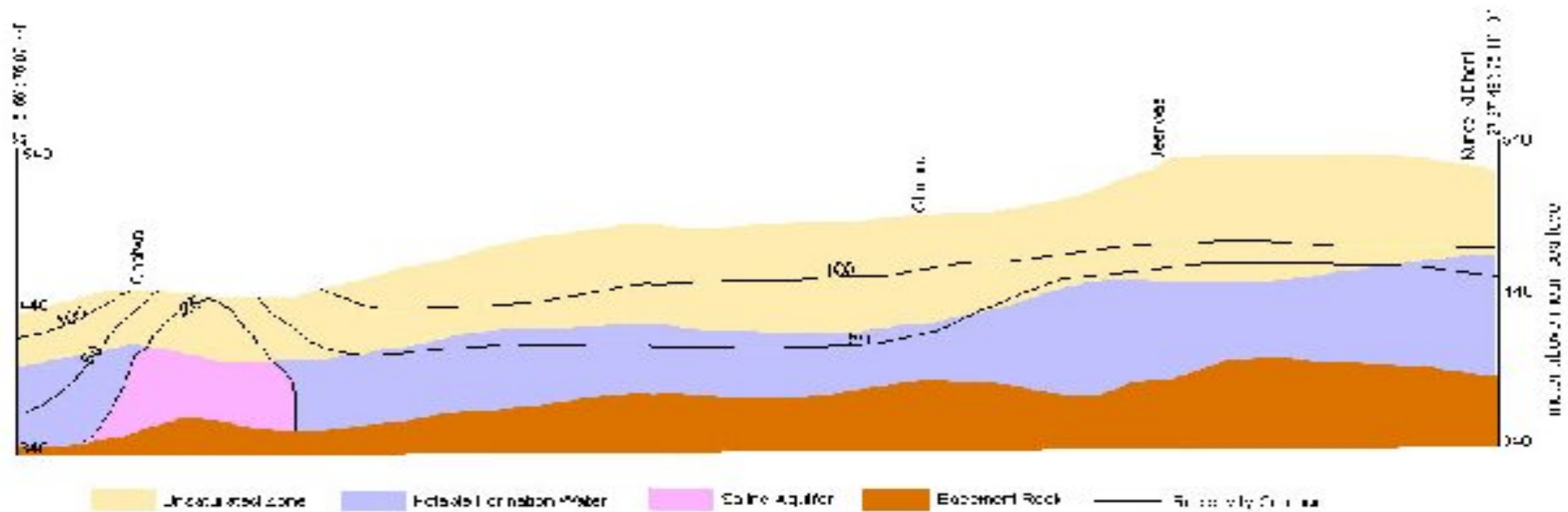


### Electrical Resistivity Section Along A - B - C



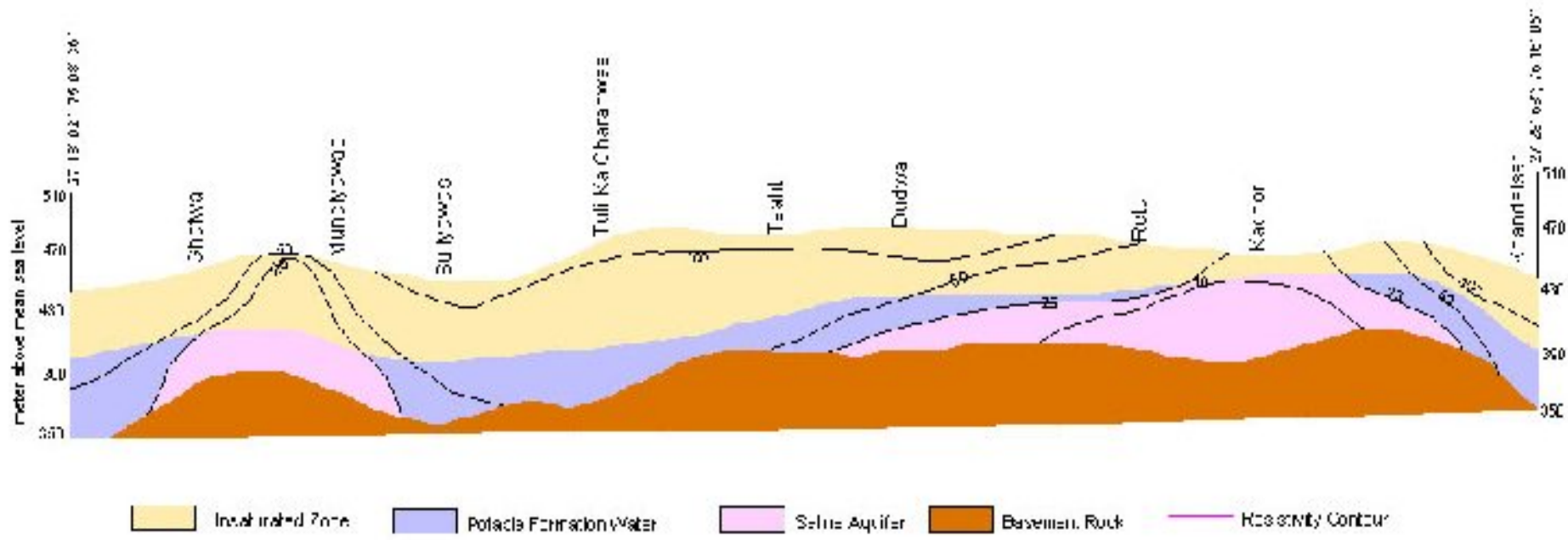


### Electrical Resistivity Section Along D - F

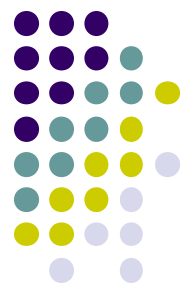
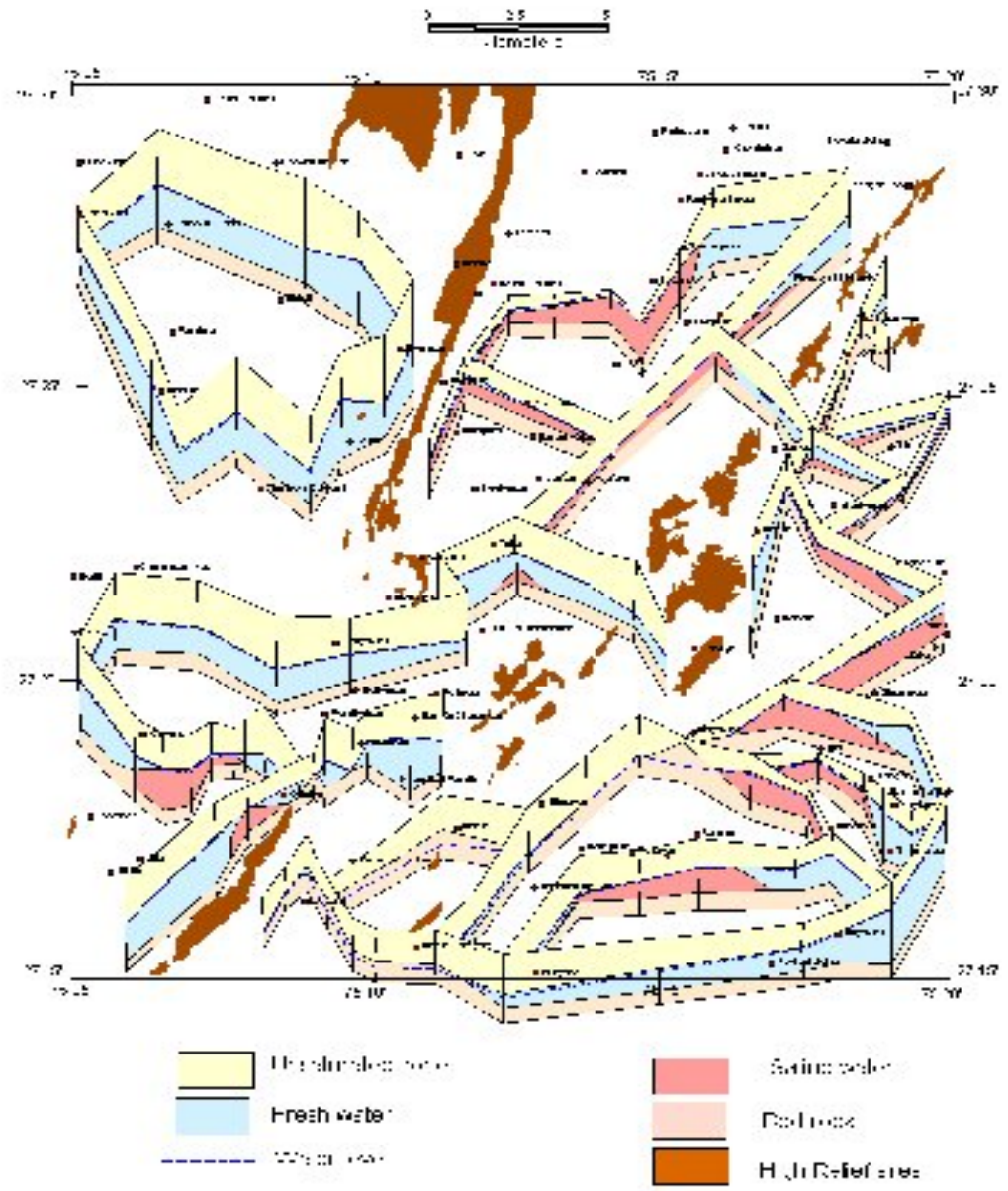




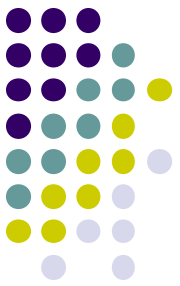
### Electrical Resistivity Section Along F-G



# Panel Diagram Showing Aquifer Geometry







# Estimate of Groundwater Recharge

An approximate estimate of groundwater recharge on construction of the contour trench can be made as follows:

- Mean annual rainfall (1974-2006) : 488.8 mm
- Catchment area of ridges and hillocks : 120 km<sup>2</sup>
- Rainfall run-off co-efficient of rocky terrain : 0.5
- Groundwater Recharge component : 0.5

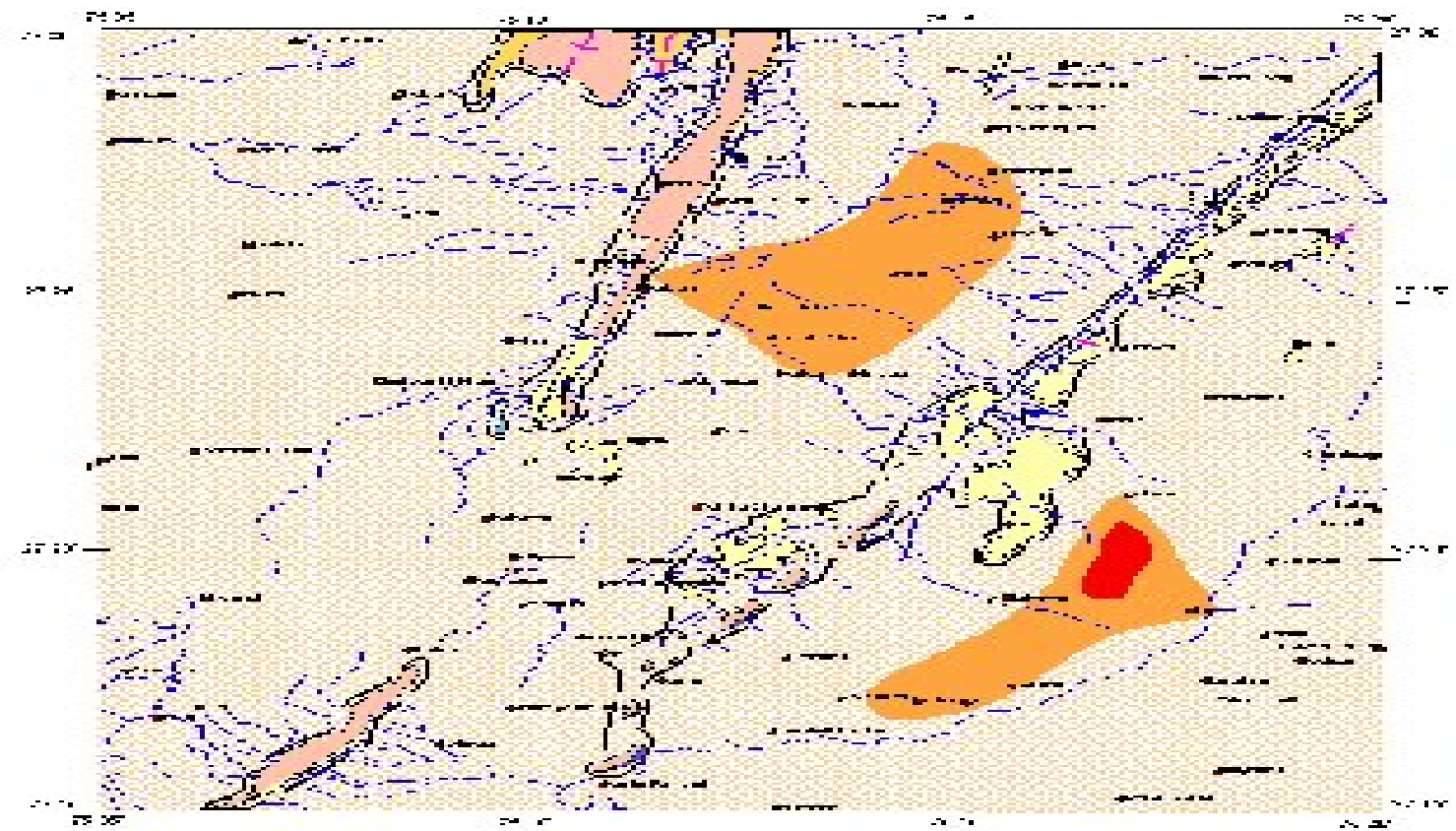
Monsoon run-off available for groundwater recharge:

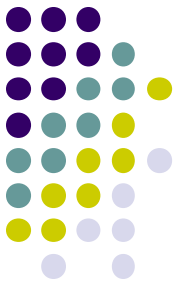
Area\* Mean annual rainfall\* Run-off co-efficient\* Recharge component

$120 * 1000 * 1000 * 0.488 * 0.5 * 0.5 = 14640000$  cubic meter/yea  
or **14.64 million cubic meter/year**



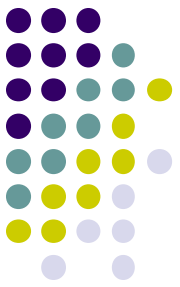
# Layout of Contour Trench Proposed for Ground Water Recharge





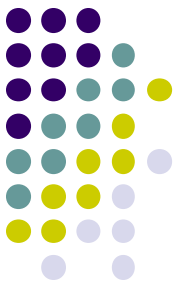
# MAR MAY HELP IN REDUCING THE GLOBAL WARMING

## Potential of MAR for Energy savings , reduction of Green house gases & resultant Carbon credits....



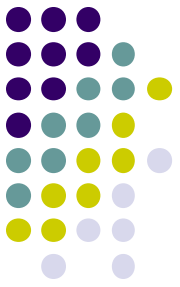
- ❖ Dominant contribution to energy production in Western India is from Thermal Power Plants
- ❖ The enormous quantum of power saved will reduce the Green house Gas (GhG) emissions
- ❖ Reduction in GhG to contribute towards reducing the global warming.

## Potential of MAR for Energy savings , reduction of Green house gases & resultant Carbon credits



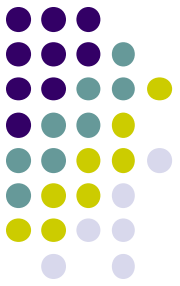
- Gross Ground water draft :2415MCM/annum
- Wells with electric connections :1,31,414
- Dynamic head : 25-100 m
- Lifting 1 m<sup>3</sup> of water by one meter : 0.01 kWh
- Lifting 2415 MCM needs nearly 1550 Million kWh of electricity under present situation
- Energy cost Rs.5347.5 Million (considering the cost of power delivered @ Rs 3.45 /kWh)

## Potential of MAR for Energy savings , reduction of Green house gases & resultant Carbon credits..



- MAR on full scale implementation would reduce average dynamic head
- Reduction by 10m :Saving 258 Million kWh of power valued at Rs 888 Million
- Reduction by 20m :Saving 515 Million kWh of power valued at Rs 1775 Million
- Reduction by 30m :Saving 775 Million kWh of power valued at Rs 2670 Million

## Potential of MAR for Energy savings , reduction of Green house gases & resultant Carbon credits....



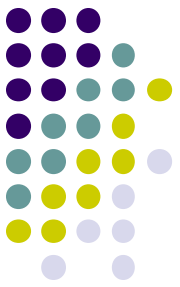
- The potential for carbon credits due to reduction in power consumption has been computed by considering the Average coefficients as followed in the USA.

Carbon dioxide = 1.34 lb/kWh

Methane = 0.0111 lb/kWh

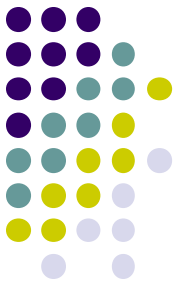
Nitrous oxide = 0.0192 lb/kWh

## Potential of MAR for Energy savings , reduction of Green house gases & resultant Carbon credits....



- The saving of 775 Million kWh of power implies saved emissions of GhG as follows:
- **Carbon dioxide** = 1038.5 Million lb or **4,71,188 Metric tons** ( 1 metric ton =2204 lb)
- Methane = 8.6 Million lb or 3902 Metric tons
- Nitrous oxide = 14.9 Million lb or 6760 Metric tons
- At the @ US \$ 10/metric tonne of carbon dioxide , the carbon saving would be worth US \$ 4.7 Million or Rs 211 Million/year.( considering 1US \$= Rs 45)

# In conclusion ...



*“If society continues to use precious groundwater resources without recompense or replenishment, the water (management) crisis will only deepen”*



*The Water Which Came Down From Heaven  
..Those Spring Up Their Own.The Bright And  
Pure Water That Finally Reaches The Sea .May  
These Divine Water May Protect Me*

• *Rigveda ( Vii-49-2)*



**Thank you**

