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MESSAGE

A scarce natural resource, water is fundamental to life, livelihood, food security and sustainable development. Ground water has emerged as the backbone of lndia's agriculture and drinking water security. Decline in water levels in response to ground water withdrawal exceeding its annual replenishment has emerged as a concern in parts of the country in the last few decades. This situation calls for effective management of the limited ground water resources of the country to ensure its long-term sustainability. lt is crucial that pragmatic decisions for sustainable ground water management are based on realistic assessment of the resource availability. Periodic assessments of dynamic ground water resources ensure availability of information related to annual replenishment, utilization and availability of ground water for various stake-holders for all the assessment units in the country.

Dynamic ground water resources of lndia are being assessed once every three years, jointly by State Governments and the Central Ground Water Board. The assessment of ground water resources forms the basis for categorization of assessment units in the country as Safe, Semi-Critical, Critical or Over Exploited depending upon the extraction levels. The category of an assessment unit may be considered as an important parameter for developing policies for ground water sustainable management in the country.

I am hopeful that the 'National Compilation on Dynamic Ground Water Resources of lndia, 2O2O' by providing authentic information on ground water resources availability in the country, will guide policy makers and other stakeholders to arrive at decisions and strategies for sustainable management of this vital natural resource. I also believe that this will help enlighten the stakeholders about the present status of ground water availability and guide them to adopt measures for its optimal use to ensure a water secure future for the country.

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lndia, with a geographical area of nearly 33 Lakh Sq KM is home to nearly 1\_6 % of the world population but is endowed with only 4 % of its freshwater resources. Further, there is huge inequality in the distribution of water resources within the country. Ground water, which is one of the primary source of drinking water in the country is also an important source of water for irrigation and industrial uses. Nearly 70 % of the ground water resources available in the country are confined to the lndo-Ganga-Brahmaputra plains covering only 30 % of the geographical area. ln this scenario, proper management and development of the limited ground water resources available in an area assumes utmost importance.

Management of ground water requires a structured approach, commencing with assessment of its availability and utilization, followed by periodic monitoring of water levels and its quality, analysis of hazards impacting the ground water regime and finally, developing management strategies for ensuring its long-term sustainability. Realistic assessment of dynamic ground water resources is a significant step in this direction. Central Ground Water Board (CGWB), jointly with State Ground water Departments, carry out periodic assessments of ground water resources of the entire country. These assessments form the basis for planning ground various ground water management interventions including managed aquifer recharge, regulation of ground water use etc. The 'National Compilation on Dynamic Ground Water Resources of lndia, 2020' is the compilation of the results of the latest such assessment.

I would like to congratulate Central Ground Water Board and the State/ UT Ground Water Departments for their efforts for bringing out the comprehensive report on such an important matter. I firmly believe that the report would serve as an excellent source material for all stakeholders involved in ground water management in the country.

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Groundwater is an integral part of the hydrological cycle and a valuable natural resource. It is the primary source of water for drinking and domestic use in the country. It is also an important source of fresh water for agriculture and industrial use. Withdrawal of groundwater in excess of its natural Withdrawal of groundwater in excess of its natural replenishment for meeting the increased demands of various sectors has resulted in its depletion in certain parts of the country. The result is declining groundwater levels, de-saturation of aquifers, deterioration of water quality etc. On the other hand, available dynamic groundwater resources are underutilized in ceftain other parts of the country such as parts of eastern and north-eastern States.

Groundwater needs to be used and managed in a sustainable way to ensure its long-term sustainability. Availability of information on status of groundwater resources in the country is required to facilitate effective management decisions by the policy planners.

Assessment of dynamic groundwater resources of India, following the methodology recommended by the Groundwater Estimation Committee - 2015 is being undertaken currently once every three years. These assessments are being undertaken jointly by Central Ground Water Board and State/UT Ground Water Departments under the overall guidance of an Expert Group constituted by the Ministry. The report titled 'National Compilation on Dynamic Ground Water Resources of India, 2O2O' summarizes the results of the assessment, primarily in terms of resource availability, utilization, present status of utilization as a percent of available resources and categorization of the assessment unit, compiled from the State/UT wise assessments.

I appreciate the efforts of the Central Ground Water Board led by its Chairman, Shri G.C. Pati, and the guidance provided by the team led by Shri Subodh Yadav, Joint Secretary (A, GW & IC), DoWR, RD & GR in bringing out this publication. I have no doubt that this compilation will be of significant use to all administrators, planners and other stakeholders involved in formulation of strategies and interventions towards long term sustainability of groundwater.

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#### **F O R E W O R D**

Water is crucial to life on Earth. It is vital for the growth of economy and a critical component of ecology. Owing to its universal availability, easy access and low capital cost for extraction, ground water has become the most preferred source of fresh water for various uses in India. The everincreasing water demands have led to extraction of ground water in excess of its annual replenishment in several parts of the country. This has, consequently, resulted in adverse environmental impacts including declining ground water levels and deterioration of its quality. Ground water acts as a buffer in times of drought and is a resilient resource for mitigating the effects of climate change. It needs to be managed judiciously to ensure its long term sustainability. A proper understanding of the status of availability and utilization of ground water resources is essential for its management. It is in this context that periodic assessment of ground water resources assumes significance.

The report titled 'National Compilation on Dynamic Groundwater Resources of India, 2020' is a compilation of State/UT – wise assessments, carried out jointly by CGWB and State/UT Ground water Departments under the supervision of respective State/UT level Committees; under overall guidance of Central Level Expert Group. The dynamic groundwater resources of India are assessed following the Groundwater Estimation Methodology, 2015 (GEC–2015), which takes into account all the relevant parameters contributing to ground water recharge and extraction. For the first time, all computations for the assessment of ground water resources have been automated and done in a GIS environment through a web based application namely "INDIA-GROUNDWATER RESOURCE ESTIMATION SYSTEM (IN-GRES)" developed in collaboration with IIT-Hyderabad. This application provides a common and standardized platform for the assessment of dynamic Ground Water Resource for the entire country. This application will also help the States/ UTs to visualize the results of assessment and take proper management decisions. The database thus generated will have a significant role in planning and scientific management of ground water.

I genuinely appreciate the work done by the officers of Central Ground Water Board and State Ground Water Departments for their efforts in completing the assessment by providing various input parameters required by the system. I am hopeful that this report will be very useful for the administrators, planners and ground water professionals and will be helpful in ensuring optimal utilization and sustainability of ground water resource.

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#### **P R E F A C E**

Realistic assessment of the availability and utilization of a natural resource is vital for planning its sustainable development and judicious management. This is extremely important in the case of ground water in the country, which is under increasing stress owing to its extraction for various uses.

Assessment of Ground Water Resources of all the States and UTs in the country is being done jointly by State/UT Ground Water Department and Central Ground Water Board once every three years as per the methodology recommended by the Ground Water Resource Estimation Committee constituted by the Govt. of India. This is a very important exercise as it helps stakeholders take effective measures for optimal utilization and management of ground water resources based on its criticality. Selection of areas for implementation of various schemes of State/Central Governments is also broadly based on the outcome of such assessments. Atal Bhujal Yojana, PMKSY-HHKP-GW Irrigation and Mission Water Conservation etc. are examples of such schemes.

The report titled 'National Compilation on Dynamic Ground Water Resources of India, 2020' summarizes the results of the assessment, primarily in terms of resource availability, utilization and categorization of assessment units, compiled from the State/UT wise assessments, duly approved by the State level Committees (SLCs) constituted for the purpose. The report briefly describes salient features of previous assessments, ground water estimation methodology, rainfall distribution, hydrogeology, aquifer systems of India and ground water level scenario of the country in the first five chapters before describing various components of the ground water resource assessment, 2020 in some detail. This is followed by details of State/UT wise assessment of resources and conclusions drawn from the assessment. The report also has 12 Annexures having state-wise information related to various components of the assessment and comparisons with the previous assessment.

I wish to place on record my appreciation of the untiring efforts of Dr. Ratikanta Nayak, Scientist-D and the team of officers of Central Ground Water Board for completing the challenging task of compiling this informative report. The team led by Dr.K.B.V.N. Phanindra, Asst. Professor, IIT Hyderabad and the software professionals of M/s Vassar Labs IT Solutions, Hyderabad, deserve praise for developing & customising the IN-GRES web portal for the assessment as per requirements of Central Ground Water Board. We are thankful for the support extended by the State/U.T ground water organizations by providing necessary inputs and approvals in time. The guidance of Shri Subodh Yadav, Joint Secretary (A, GW & IC), DoWR, RD & GR has helped improve the quality of the report as well as fast-track the assessment and is gratefully acknowledged. I truly believe that stakeholders at various levels will find this report informative and helpful for managing our precious ground water resources judiciously and for ensuring their sustainability for years to come.

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#### DYNAMIC GROUND WATER RESOURCES OF INDIA, 2020

#### **AT A GLANCE**



#### CATEGORIZATION OF ASSESSMENT UNITS



(Blocks/ Mandals/ Firkas/ Taluks etc.)

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#### **C O N T E N T S**

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Ground Water Resources Assessment is carried out at periodical intervals jointly by State Ground Water Departments and Central Ground Water Board under the guidance of the respective State Level Committee on Ground Water Assessment at State Levels and under the overall supervision of the Central Level Expert Group. Such joint exercises have been taken up earlier in 1980, 1995, 2004, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2017.

The assessment involves computation of dynamic ground water resources or Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource, Total Current Annual Ground Water Extraction (utilization) and the percentage of utilization with respect to annual extractable resources (stage of Ground Water Extraction). The assessment units (Talukas/blocks/mandals/firkas) are categorized based on Stage of Ground Water Extraction, which are then validated with long-term water level trends. The assessment prior to that of year 2017 were carried out following Ground Water Estimation Committee (GEC) 97 Methodology, whereas 2017 as well as the present assessment are based on norms and guidelines of the GEC 2015 Methodology.

The main source of replenishable ground water resources is recharge from rainfall, which contributes to nearly 64 % of the total annual ground water recharge. India receives about 119 cm. of rain annually on average, with high spatial variation. A major part of the country receives rainfall mainly during SW Monsoon season spread over the months of June to September, except in Tamil Nadu, where the major contribution is from NE monsoon during the period October– December. There are also States such as Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand which receive significant rainfall in all seasons.

Over 75 % of the annual rainfall is received in the four rainy months for June to September only thereby leading to large variations on temporal scale. The average annual rainfall is 119 cm, but it has great spatial variations. The areas on Western Ghats, Sub-Himalyan areas in North East and Meghalaya Hills receive heavy rainfall over 250 cm annually, whereas the areas of Northern parts of Kashmir and Western Rajasthan receive rainfall less than 40 cm. A major part of the country including Northern, Central and Eastern parts receives annual normal rainfall between 75 and 150 cm. In general, rainfall decreases westwards in the northern part of the country, whereas it decreases eastwards and then increases toward the coast in Peninsular India.

Type of rock formations and their storage and transmission characteristics have a significant influence on ground water recharge. Porous formations such as the alluvial formations in the Indo-Ganga-Brahmaputra basin generally have high specific yields and are good repositories of ground water. Ground water occurrence in the fissured formations occupying nearly two-thirds of the geographical area of the country, on the other hand, is mostly limited to the weathered, jointed and fractured portions of the rocks.

In the present assessment, the total annual ground water recharge has been assessed as 436 bcm. Keeping an allocation for natural discharge, the annual extractable ground water resource works out as 398 bcm. The total annual ground water extraction (as in 2020) has been assessed as 245 bcm. The average stage of ground water extraction for the country as a whole works out to be about 62 %. The extraction of ground water for various uses in different parts of the country is not uniform. Out of the total 6965 assessment units (Blocks/ Districts/ Mandals/ Talukas/Firkas) in the country, 1114 units in various States (16 %) have been categorized as 'Over-Exploited' indicating ground water extraction exceeding the annually replenishable ground water recharge. A total of 270 (4 %) assessment units have been categorized as 'Critical', where the stage of ground water extraction is between 90-100 % of annual extractable resources available. There are 1057 'Semi-Critical' units (15 %), where the stage of ground water extraction is between 70 % and 90 % and 4427 (64 %) assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe' where the stage of Ground water extraction is less than 70 %. Apart from this, there are 97 assessment units (1 %), which have been categorized as 'Saline' as major part of the ground water in phreatic aquifers is brackish or saline. Similarly out of 24.33 lakh sq km recharge worthy area of the country, 4.09 lakh sq km (17 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 0.86 lakh sq km (4 %) are under 'Critical', 3.4 lakh sq km (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 15.67 lakh sq km ( 64 %) are under 'Safe' and 0.3 lakh sq km (1 %) are under 'Saline' category assessment units. Out of 397.62 bcm of Total Annual Extractable Resources of the country, 50.54 bcm (13 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 12.71 bcm (3 %) are under 'Critical', 54.11 bcm (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 280.26 bcm (70 %) are under 'Safe' category assessment units.

In comparison to 2017 assessment, the total numbers of assessment units in the country have increased from 6881 to 6965 with major contribution (in increase) from the State of Karnataka, Haryana and Punjab. The total annual ground water recharge has increased from 432 to 436 bcm, where major increase is noticed in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Gujarat & Chhattisgarh. The changes are attributed mainly to changes in recharge from 'Other Sources'. Accordingly, the annual extractable resource of GW Resource Assessment, 2020 on comparison GW Resource Assessment, 2017 also shows a increase from 393 to 398 bcm. The ground water extraction has marginally decreased from 249 to 245 bcm. The overall stage of groundwater extraction has marginally decreased from 63 % to 62 %.

The over-exploited assessment units are mostly concentrated in :(i) the north western part of the country including parts of Punjab, Haryana, Delhi and Western Uttar Pradesh where even though the replenishable resources are abundant, there have been indiscriminate withdrawals of ground water leading to over-exploitation; (ii) the western part of the country, particularly in parts of Rajasthan and Gujarat, where due to arid climate, groundwater recharge itself is limited, leading to stress on the resource and (iii) the southern part of peninsular India including parts of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu where due to inherent characteristics of crystalline aquifers, the ground water availability is low. In some areas of the country, good continuous rainfall and management practices like ground water augmentation and conservation measures through government and private initiatives have resulted in improvement in ground water situation. Ground water resources assessment, like other fields of science, requires continuous refinements.

# **CHAPTER 1**

#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Water is a fundamental resource for life. Sustainable development and efficient management of this scarce resource has become a challenge in India. Increasing population, growing urbanization and rapid industrialization combined with the need for raising agricultural production generates competing demands for water. Ground water has steadily emerged as the backbone of India's agriculture and drinking water security. Contribution of ground water is nearly 62% in irrigation, 85% in rural water supply and 50% in urban water supply .Ground water is an annually replenishable resource but its availability is non- uniform in space and time. Ground water available in the zone of water level fluctuation is replenished annually with rainfall being the dominant contributor. Hence, the sustainable utilization of ground water resources demands a realistic quantitative assessment of ground water availability in this zone based on reasonably valid scientific principles. National Water Policy, 2012 has laid emphasis on periodic assessment of ground water resources on scientific basis. The trends in water availability due to various factors including climate change must also be assessed and accounted for during water resources planning. To meet the increasing demands of water, it advocates direct use of rainfall, desalination and avoidance of inadvertent evapotranspiration for augmenting utilizable water resources. The National Water Policy 2012 also states that safe water for drinking and sanitation should be considered as pre-emptive needs followed by high priority allocation for other domestic needs (including needs of animals), achieving food security, supporting sustenance agriculture and minimum eco- system needs. Available water, after meeting the above needs should be allocated in a manner to promote its conservation and efficient use.

#### **1.1 PREVIOUS ASSESSMENTS**

Assessment of water resources of the country dates back to 1901 when the First Irrigation Commission assessed the Surface Water Resources as 144 million hectare meters (M.ham) (NABARD, 2006). In 1949, Dr. A. N. Khosla, based on empirical formulae, estimated the total average annual runoff of all the river systems of India including both surface and ground water resources as 167 M.ham (CGWB, 1995). Since then attempts have been made from time to time by various Working Groups/ Committees/Task Forces constituted by Govt. of India to estimate the ground water resources of the country based on available data and in response to developmental needs. In 1976, National Commission of Agriculture assessed the total ground water resources of the country as 67 M.ham and the utilizable ground water as 35 M.ham, out of which 26 M.ham was considered available for irrigation (CGWB, 1995).

The first systematic methodology to assess the ground water resources of the country was evolved by Ground Water Over-Exploitation Committee in 1979. The committee was constituted by Agriculture Refinance and Development Corporation (ARDC) and was headed by Chairman, CGWB with Members from State Ground Water Organizations and Financial Institutions. Based on the norms suggested by the committee, the country's Gross Ground Water Recharge was assessed as 47 M.ham and the Net Recharge as 32 M.ham (CGWB, 1995).

In 1982, Government of India constituted 'Ground Water Estimation Committee' (GEC) drawing Members from various States / Central organizations engaged in hydrogeological studies and groundwater development.The Committee submitted its recommendations in the year 1984 and suggested a methodology for assessment of dynamic groundwater resources, which is commonly referred to as GEC 1984. As per the recommendations of the GEC 1984, State Governments constituted Working Groups for assessment of ground water potential. The Working Groups were headed by Secretaries in-charge of Ground Water Developments and included Heads of Ground Water Departments, State Agriculture Departments, representatives from Agriculture Universities and NABARD as members. Director, CGWB was the convener of the group. The base year for the computation of the resource varied between 1991 and 1993 and a National report on Ground Water Resources of India was brought out in 1995 by compiling the data of all the States and UnionTerritories. As per the report, the Total Replenishable Ground Water in India was assessed as 432 billion cubic meter (bcm). The ground water resource available for irrigation purpose was about 361 bcm.The Net Ground Water Draft for Irrigation uses was about 115 bcm, thereby arriving at the level of ground water developmentas 32 %. Utilizable Irrigation Potential from ground water of the country was worked out to be 64 million hectare (CGWB, 1995).

Increasing thrust on ground water and improved techniques for data acquisition led the Government of India to form another Committee in 1995 to review the existing methodology for ground water resource assessment and to suggest revisions, if necessary. The Committee submitted its report in 1997 wherein a revised and elaborate methodology for resource assessment was suggested, which was referred as GEC 1997. In view of the limitations of ground water assessment in hard rock terrain, another Committee on Ground Water Estimation Methodology in Hard Rock Terrain was formed in 2001 to review the existing methodology for resource estimation in such formations. The Committee made certain suggestions on the criteria for categorization of blocks to be adopted for the entire country irrespective of the terrain conditions. Based on GEC 1997, the dynamic ground water resources of India have been estimated for the entire country considering 2004, 2009, 2011 and 2013 as base years. The methodology underwent comprehensive revisions again in 2015 and a revised methodology, namely GEC 2015 methodology has been prescribed for ground water assessment. This methodology is being followed for assessment carried out from 2017 onwards.

In the present assessment, the total annual groundwater recharge in the country has been assessed as 436.15 bcm. Keeping an allocation for natural discharge, the annual extractable ground water resource has been assessed as 397.62 bcm. The annual groundwater extraction (as in 2020) is 244.92 bcm. The average stage of groundwater extraction for the country as a whole works out to be about 61.6 %. Out of the total 6965 assessment units (Blocks/ Mandals/ Talukas/Firkas) in the country, 1114 units in various States (16 %) have been categorized as 'Over-exploited' indicating ground water extraction exceeding the annually replenishable ground water recharge. In, 270 (4 %) assessment units the stage of groundwater extraction is between 90-100% and have been categorized as 'Çritical'. There are 1057 (15 %) "Semi-critical'' units, where the stage of ground water extraction is between 70 % and 90 % and 4427 (64 %) 'Safe' units where the stage of Ground water extraction is less than 70 %. Apart from these, there are 97 (1%) assessment units, which have been categorised as 'Saline' as major part of the ground water in phreatic aquifers in these units is brackish or saline. Salient details of status of ground water resources and categorization of assessment units in 2004, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2017 and 2020 are shown in Table 1.1 and Table1.2 respectively.



#### **Table 1.1: Ground water Resources assessment 2004 to 2020**

#### **Table 1.2: Categorization of assessment units from 2004 to 2020**



#### **1.2 GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES**

The inferences drawn from the ground water resources assessment is utilized as an input to the planners and stakeholders for taking appropriate management measures for optimal utilization and sustainable development of the ground water resources. Several measures, primarily based on the findings of the resource assessment, have been taken up by the Government of India to replenish/augment ground water resources.

Initiatives by the Government of India in this regard includes constitution of Central Ground Water Authority for regulation of ground water development in the country and compilation of a conceptual document titled "Master Plan for Artificial Recharge to Ground water in India" by CGWB, which envisages implementation of nearly 11 million Rain Water Harvesting and Artificial Recharge structures to augment the ground water resources of the country. Ministry of Jal Shakti has also circulated a Model Bill to all States/UTs to enable them to enact suitable legislation for regulation of ground water development, which includes provision of rainwater harvesting. CGWB has taken up National Aquifer Mapping & Management Programme (NAQUIM), for mapping of major aquifers, their characterization and formulation of Aquifer Management Plans to ensure sustainability of the resources, prioritising Over-exploited, Critical and Semi-critical assessment units. Several State Governments are implementing watershed development programmes, in which, ground water conservation forms an integral part.Water conservation measures are also taken up as a part of the MGNREGA. Ministry of Jal Shakti has launched 'Jal Kranti Abhiyan', aimed at consolidating water conservation and management initiatives in the country through a holistic and integrated approach involving all stakeholders. Atal Bhujal Yojana, being implemented from April 2020, envisages improving ground water management in identified water-stressed areas in parts of seven States in the country with emphasis on demand management and community participation. In addition, schemes of the Government of India such as Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)- Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP)-Ground Water Irrigation (GWI) envisages creation of irrigation potential from groundwater in assessment units where there is sufficient scope for further future ground water development.

#### **1.3 RE-ASSESSMENT OF GROUND WATER RESOURCES, 2020**

The assessment of Ground water resources is carried out to determine the prevailing status of ground water resources in the country. It also helps assess the impact of the on-going ground water management practices on the groundwater resources. In 2020, Department of Water Resources, River Developmwnt & Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti constituted a Central Level Expert Group (CLEG) for over-all supervision of the re-assessment of ground water resources in the entire country as in 2020. The terms of reference of the committee include supervision of assessment of annual replenishable ground water resources and the status of utilization for reference year 2020. A copy of the Government Resolution is in **Appendix A**.

Ground water resources assessment for reference year 2020 at the State/U.T Levels have been carried out jointly by State Ground Water Departments and Central Ground Water Board under the supervision of State Level Committees (**Appendix B**), with technical guidance from Central Level Expert Group. The assessment carried out was approved by the respective State Level Committee (**Appendix D**). For few States (Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Kerala) the assessments are yet to be approved in State Level Committee. Based on the assessments provided by the respective State Level Committees and joint assessment made in the aforesaid States, the National Level Report titled "Dynamic Ground Water Resources of India-2020" has been compiled. In respect of West Bengal, assessment for 2020 could not been completed and CLEG recommended that the results of previous assessment (2013) may be considered for 2020. The national compilation report provides summary and analysis of ground water resources in different States. The report was reviewed and deliberated upon during the meeting of CLEG held on 31.03.2021, and was approved as mentioned in **Appendix E.**

# **CHAPTER 2**

#### **2.0 GROUND WATER RESOURCES ESTIMATION METHODOLOGY**

Ground water resource as in 2020 have been estimated following the guidelines mentioned in the GEC 2015 methodology using appropriate assumptions depending on data availability. The principal attributes of GEC 2015 methodology is given below:

The methodology recommends aquifer wise ground water resource assessment of both the Groundwater resources components, i.e., Replenishable ground water resources or Dynamic Ground Water Resources and In-storage Resources or Static Resources. Wherever the aquifer geometry has not been firmly established for the unconfined aquifer, the in-storage ground water resources have to be assessed in the alluvial areas down to the depth of bed rock or 300 m, whichever is less. In case of hard rock aquifers, the depth of assessment would be limited to 100 m. In case of confined aquifers, if it is known that groundwater extraction is being done from this aquifer, the dynamic as well as in-storage resources are to be estimated. If it is firmly established that there is no ground water extraction from this confined aquifer, then only in-storage resources of that aquifer has to be estimated. Until aquifer geometry is established on appropriate scale, the existing practice of using watershed in hard rock areas and blocks/mandals/ firkas in soft rock areas may be continued.

It is also pertinent to add that as it is advisable to restrict the groundwater development as far as possible to annual replenishable resources, the categorization also takes into account the relation between the annual replenishment and groundwater development. An area devoid of ground water potential may not be considered for development and may remain safe whereas an area with good groundwater potential may be developed and may become over exploited over a period of time. Thus, water augmentation efforts can be successful in such areas, where the groundwater potential is high and there is scope for augmentation.

#### **2.1. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT OF UNCONFINED AQUIFER**

Though the assessment of ground water resources includes assessment of dynamic and in-storage resources, the development planning should mainly focus on dynamic resource as it gets replenished on an annual basis. Changes in static or in-storage resources normally reflect long-term impacts of ground water mining. Such resources may not be replenishable annually and may be allowed to be extracted only during exigencies with proper planning for augmentationin the succeeding excess rainfall years.

#### **2.1.1. Assessment of Annually Replenishable or Dynamic Ground Water Resources**

The methodology for ground water resources estimation is based on the principle of water balance as given below –

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Equation (1) can be further elaborated as –

$$
\Delta S = R_{RF} + R_{STR} + R_C + R_{SWI} + R_{GWI} + R_{TP} + R_{WCS} \pm VF \pm LF - GE - T - E - B \dots \dots (2)
$$

Where,

ΔS - Change is storage  $R_{RF}$  - Rainfall recharge R<sub>STR</sub> - Recharge from stream channels  $R<sub>C</sub>$  - Recharge from canals R<sub>SWI</sub> - Recharge from surface water irrigation R<sub>GWI</sub> - Recharge from ground water irrigation R<sub>TP</sub> - Recharge from Tanks & Ponds R<sub>WCS</sub> - Recharge from water conservation structures VF - Vertical flow across the aquifer system LF - Lateral flow along the aquifer system (through flow) GE - Ground Water Extraction T - Transpiration E - Evaporation B - Base flow

It is preferred that all the components of water balance equation should be estimated in an assessment unit. Due to lack of data for all the components in most of the assessment units, it is proposed that at present the water budget may be restricted to the major components only, taking into consideration certain reasonable assumptions. The estimation is to be carried out using lumped parameter estimation approach keeping in mind that data from many more sources if available may be used for refining the assessment.

#### **2.1.1.1. Rainfall Recharge**

It is recommended that ground water recharge should be estimated on ground water level fluctuation and specific yield approach since this method takes into account the response of ground water levels to ground water input and output components. This, however, requires adequately spaced representative water level measurement for a sufficiently long period. It is proposed that there should be at least three spatially well distributed observation wells in the assessment unit, or one observation well per 100 sq. Km. Water level data should also be available for a minimum period of 5 years (preferably 10years), along with corresponding rainfall data. Regarding frequency of water level data, two water level readings, during pre and post monsoon seasons, are the minimum requirement. It would be ideal to have monthly water level measurements to record the peak rise and maximum fall in the ground water levels. In units or subareas where adequate data on ground water level fluctuations are not available as specified above, ground water recharge may be estimated using rainfall infiltration factor method only. The rainfall recharge during non-monsoon season may be estimated using rainfall infiltration factor method only.

#### **2.1.1.1.1. Ground Water Level Fluctuation Method**

The ground water level fluctuation method is to be used for assessment of rainfall recharge in the monsoon season. The ground water balance equation in non-command areas is given by

$$
\Delta S = R_{RF} + R_{STR} + R_{SWI} + R_{GWI} + R_{TP} + R_{WCS} \pm VF \pm LF - GE - T - E - B \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \tag{3}
$$

Where,

- ΔS Change is storage  $R_{RF}$  - Rainfall recharge R<sub>STR</sub> - Recharge from stream channels R<sub>SWI</sub> - Recharge from surface water irrigation R<sub>GWI</sub> - Recharge from ground water irrigation R<sub>TP</sub> - Recharge from Tanks& Ponds R<sub>WCS</sub> - Recharge from water conservation structures VF - Vertical flow across the aquifer system LF - Lateral flow along the aquifer system (through flow) GE - Ground water extraction T - Transpiration E - Evaporation
- B Base flow

Whereas the water balance equation in command area will have another term i.e., Recharge due to canals  $(R<sub>c</sub>)$  and the equation will be as follows:

$$
\Delta S = R_{RF} + R_{STR} + R_C + R_{SWI} + R_{GWI} + R_{TP} + R_{WCS} \pm VF \pm LF - GE - T - E - B \dots \dots \dots \dots (4)
$$

A couple of important observations in the context of water level measurement must be followed. It is important to bear in mind that while estimating the quantum of ground water extraction, the depth from which ground water is being extracted should be considered. One should consider only the draft from the same aquifer for which the resource is being estimated.

The change in storage can be estimated using the following equation:

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Where,

ΔS - Change is storage **Δ**h - rise in water level in the monsoon season A - Area for computation of recharge S<sub>Y</sub> - Specific Yield

Substituting the expression in equation (5) for storage increase ΔS in terms of water level fluctuation and specific yield, the equations (3) & (4) becomes (6) & (7) for non-command and command subunits,

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Where base flow/ recharge to/from streams have not been estimated, the same is assumed to be zero. The rainfall recharge obtained by using equation (6) and (7) provides the recharge in any particular monsoon season for the associated monsoon season rainfall. This estimate is to be normalized for the normal monsoon season rainfall as per the procedure indicated below.

#### *Normalization of Rainfall Recharge*

Let R<sub>i</sub> be the rainfall recharge and  $r_i$  be the associated rainfall. The subscript "i" takes values 1 to N where N is the number of years for which data is available. This should be at least 5. The rainfall recharge,  $R_i$  is obtained as per equation (6) & equation (7) depending on the sub-unit for which the normalization is being done.

After the pairs of data on  $R_i$  and  $r_i$  have been obtained as described above, a normalisation procedure is to be carried out for obtaining the rainfall recharge corresponding to the normal monsoon season rainfall. Let r(normal) be the normal monsoon season rainfall obtained as the average of recent 30 to 50 years of monsoon season rainfall. Two methods are possible for the normalisation procedure. The first method is based on a linear relationship between recharge and rainfall of the form

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Where,

R = Rainfall recharge during monsoon season

r = Monsoon season rainfall

 $a = a constant$ 

The computational procedure to be followed in the first method is as given below:

$$
R_{RF}(normal) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[R_i \frac{r(normal)}{r_i}\right]}{N} \dots \tag{9}
$$

Where,

 $R_{RF}$ (normal) - Normalized Rainfall Recharge in the monsoon season  $R_i$  - Rainfall Recharge in the monsoon season for the  $i<sup>th</sup>$  year r(normal) - Normal monsoon season rainfall  ${\sf r}_{\sf i}$  - Rainfall in the monsoon season for the i $^{\sf th}$  year N - No. of years for which data is available

The second method is also based on a linear relation between recharge and rainfall. However, this linear relationship is of the form,

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Where,

 $R_{RF}$ (normal) - Normalized Rainfall Recharge in the monsoon season r(normal) - Normal monsoon season rainfall a and b - constants.

The two constants 'a' and 'b' in the above equation are obtained through a linear regression analysis. The computational procedure to be followed in the second method is as given below:

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= ࢈ ࡿࢇ − ࡿ ࡺ … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … . ()

Where,

$$
S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N r_i, \quad S_2 = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i, \quad S_3 = \sum_{i=1}^N r_i^2, \quad S_4 = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i r_i
$$

#### **2.1.1.1.2. Rainfall Infiltration Factor Method**

The rainfall recharge estimation based on Water level fluctuation method reflects actual field conditions since it takes into account the response of ground water level. However the ground water extraction estimation included in the computation of rainfall recharge using water level fluctuation approach is often subject to uncertainties. Therefore, it is recommended to compare the rainfall recharge obtained from water level fluctuation approach with that estimated using rainfall infiltration factor method. Recharge from rainfall is estimated by using the following relationship –

$$
R_{RF} = RFIF \times A \times \frac{(R-a)}{1000} \dots \tag{13}
$$

Where,

 $R_{RF}$  - Rainfall recharge in ham A - Area in hectares RFIF - Rainfall Infiltration Factor R - Rainfall in mm

a - Minimum threshold value above which rainfall induces ground water recharge in mm

The threshold limit of minimum and maximum rainfall event which can induce recharge to the aquifer is to be considered while estimating ground water recharge using rainfall infiltration factor method. The minimum threshold limit is in accordance with the relation shown in equation (13) and the maximum threshold limit is based on the premise that after a certain limit, the rate of storm rain is too high to contribute to infiltration and they will only contribute to surface runoff. It is suggested that 10% of Normal annual rainfall may be taken as minimum rainfall threshold and 3000 mm as maximum rainfall limit. While computing the rainfall recharge, 10% of the normal annual rainfall is to be deducted from the monsoon rainfall and balance rainfall would be considered for computation of rainfall recharge. The same recharge factor may be used for both monsoon and non-monsoon rainfall, with the condition that the recharge due to non-monsoon rainfall may be taken as zero, if the normal rainfall during the non-monsoon season is less than 10% of normal annual rainfall. In using the method based on the specified norms, recharge due to both monsoon and non-monsoon rainfall may be estimated for normal rainfall, based on recent 30 to 50 years of data.

#### **2.1.1.1.3. Percent Deviation**

After computing the rainfall recharge for normal monsoon season rainfall using the ground water level fluctuation method and rainfall infiltration factor method these two estimates have to be compared with each other. A term, Percent Deviation (PD) which is the difference between the two expressed as a percentage of the later is computed as

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Where,

$$
R_{RF} \text{ (normal, wlfm)} = \text{Rainfall recharge for normal monsoon season rainfall estimated by the ground water level fluctuation method}
$$
\n
$$
R_{RF} \text{ (normal, rifm)} = \text{Rainfall recharge for normal monsoon season rainfall estimated by the rainfall inflation factor method}
$$

The rainfall recharge for normal monsoon season rainfall is finally adopted as per the criteria given below:

- If PD is greater than or equal to -20%, and less than or equal to +20%,  $R_{RF}$  (normal) is taken as the value estimated by the ground water level fluctuation method.
- If PD is less than -20%,  $R_{RF}$  (normal) is taken as equal to 0.8 times the value estimated by the rainfall infiltration factor method.
- If PD is greater than +20%,  $R_{RF}$  (normal) is taken as equal to 1.2 times the value estimated by the rainfall infiltration factor method.

#### **2.1.1.2. Recharge from Other Sources**

Recharge from other sources constitutes recharges from canals, surface water irrigation, ground water irrigation, tanks & ponds and water conservation structures in command areas where as in non-command areas it constitutes the recharge due to surface water irrigation, ground water irrigation, tanks & ponds and water conservation structures. The methods of estimation of recharge from different sources are as follows.





#### **2.1.1.3. Lateral Flow Along the Aquifer System (Through Flow)**

In equations 6 & 7, if the area under consideration is a watershed, the lateral flow across boundaries can be considered as zero in case such estimates are not available. If there is inflow and outflow across the boundary, theoretically, the net inflow may be calculated using Darcy law, by delineating the inflow and outflow sections of the boundary. Besides such delineation, the calculation also requires estimate of transmissivity and hydraulic gradient across the inflow and outflow sections. These calculations are most conveniently done in a computer model. It is recommended to initiate regional scale modelling with well-defined flow boundaries. Once the modelling is complete, the lateral throughflows (LF) across boundaries for any assessment unit can be obtained from the model. In case Lateral Flow is calculated using computer model, the same should be included in the water balance equation.

#### **2.1.1.4. Base Flow and Stream Recharge**

If stream gauge stations are located in the assessment unit, the base flow and recharge from streams can be computed using Stream Hydrograph Separation method, Numerical Modelling and Analytical solutions. If the assessment unit is a watershed, a single stream monitoring station at the mouth of the watershed can provide the required data for the calculation of base flow. Any other information on local-level base flows such as those collected by research centres, educational institutes or NGOs may also be used to improve the estimates on base flows.

Base flow separation methods can be divided into two main types: non-tracer-based and tracerbased separation methods. Non-tracer methods include Stream hydrograph analysis, water balance method and numerical ground water modelling techniques. Digital filters are available for separating base flow component of the stream hydrograph.

Hydro-chemical tracers and environmental isotope methods also use hydrograph separation techniques based on mass balance approach. Stream recharge can be computed either using modelling techniques or simply by applying the Darcy Law.

Base flow assessment and Stream recharge should be carried out in consultation with Central Water Commission in order to avoid any duplicity in the estimation of total water availability in a river basin.

#### **2.1.1.5. Vertical Inter Aquifer Flow**

This can be estimated provided aquifer geometry and aquifer parameters are known. This can be calculated using the Darcy's law if the hydraulic heads in both aquifers and the hydraulic conductivity and thickness of the aquitard separating both the aquifers are known. Ground water flow modelling is an important tool to estimate such flows. As envisaged in this report regional scale modelling studies will help in refining vertical inter aquifer flow estimates.

#### **2.1.1.6. Evaporation and Transpiration**

Evaporation can be estimated for the aquifer in the assessment unit if water levels in the aquifer are within the capillary zone. It is recommended to compute the evaporation through field studies. If field studies are not possible, for areas with water levels within 1.0mbgl, evaporation can be estimated using the evaporation rates available for other adjoining areas. If depth to water level is more than 1.0mbgl, the evaporation losses from the aquifer should be taken as zero.

Transpiration through vegetation can be estimated if water levels in the aquifer are within the maximum root zone of the local vegetation. It is recommended to compute the transpiration through field studies. Even though it varies from place to place depending on type of soil &vegetation, in the absence of field studies the following estimation can be followed. If water levels are within 3.5m bgl, transpiration can be estimated using the transpiration rates available for other areas. If it is greater than3.5m bgl, the transpiration should be taken as zero.

For estimating evapotranspiration, field tools like Lysimeters can be used to estimate actual evapotranspiration. Usually agricultural universities and IMD carry out lysimeter experiments and archive the evapotranspiration data. Remote sensing based techniques like SEBAL (Surface Energy Balance Algorithm for Land) can be used for estimation of actual evapotranspiration. Assessing offices may apply available lysimeter data or other techniques for estimation of evapotranspiration. In case where such data is not available, evapotranspiration losses can be empirically estimated from PET data provided by IMD.

#### **2.1.1.7. Recharge During Monsoon Season**

The sum of normalized monsoon rainfall recharge and the recharge from other sources and lateral and vertical flows into & out of the sub unit and stream inflows & outflows during monsoon season is the total recharge/ accumulation during monsoon season for the sub unit. Similarly, this is to be computed for all the sub units available in the assessment unit.

#### **2.1.1.8. Recharge During Non-Monsoon Season**

The rainfall recharge during non-monsoon season is estimated using rainfall infiltration factor Method only when the non-monsoon season rainfall is more than 10% of normal annual rainfall. The sum of non-monsoon rainfall recharge and the recharge from other sources and lateral and vertical flows into & out of the sub unit and stream inflows & outflows during non-monsoon season is the total recharge/ accumulation during non-monsoon season for the sub unit. Similarly, this is to be computed for all the sub units available in the assessment unit.

#### **2.1.1.9. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge**

The sum of the recharge/ accumulations during monsoon and non-monsoon seasons is the total annual ground water recharge/ accumulations for the sub unit. Similarly, this is to be computed for all the sub units available in the assessment unit.

#### **2.1.1.10. Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource (EGR)**

The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource (EGR) is computed by deducting the Total Annual Natural Discharge from Total Annual Ground Water Recharge.

The ground water base flow contribution limited to the ecological flow of the river should be determined which will be deducted from Annual Ground Water Recharge to determine Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources (EGR). The ecological flows of the rivers are to be determined in consultation with Central Water Commission and other concerned river basin agencies. In case base flow contribution to the ecological flow of rivers is not determined then following assumption is to be followed.

In the water level fluctuation method, a significant portion of base flow is already accounted for by taking the post monsoon water level one month after the end of rainfall. The base flow in the remaining non-monsoon period is likely to be small, especially in hard rock areas. In the assessment units, where river stage data are not available and neither the detailed data for quantitative assessment of the natural discharge are available, present practice (GEC 1997) of allocation of unaccountable natural discharges to 5% or 10% of annual recharge may be retained. If the rainfall recharge is assessed using water level fluctuation method this will be 5% of the annual recharge and if it is assessed using rainfall infiltration factor method, it will be 10% of the annual recharge. The balance will account for Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources (EGR).

#### **2.1.1.11. Estimation of Ground Water Extraction**

Ground water draft or extraction is to be assessed as follows.

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Where,

 $GE_{All}$  = Ground water extraction for all uses  $GE_{IR}$  = Ground water extraction for irrigation  $GE<sub>DOM</sub> = Ground water extraction for domestic uses$  $GE_{IND}$  = Ground water extraction for industrial uses

#### 2.1.1.11.1. Ground Water Extraction for Irrigation (GE<sub>IRR</sub>)

The methods for estimation of ground water extraction are as follows.

*Unit Draft Method:* – In this method, season-wise unit draft of each type of well in an assessment unit is estimated. The unit draft of different types (eg. Dug well, Dug cum bore well, shallow tube well, deep tube well, bore well etc.) is multiplied with the number of wells of that particular type to obtain season-wise ground water extraction by that particular structure.

*Crop Water Requirement Method: –* For each crop, the season-wise net irrigation water requirement is determined. This is then multiplied with the area irrigated by ground water abstraction structures. The database on crop area is obtained from Revenue records in Tehsil office, Agriculture Census and also by using Remote Sensing techniques.

**Power Consumption Method:** –Ground water extraction for unit power consumption (electric) is determined. Extraction per unit power consumption is then multiplied with number of units of power consumed for agricultural pump sets to obtain total ground water extraction for irrigation.

#### 2.1.1.11.2. Ground Water Extraction for Domestic Use (GE<sub>DOM</sub>)

There are several methods for estimation of extraction for domestic use(GEDOM). Some of the commonly adopted methods are described here.

*Unit Draft Method:* – In this method, unit draft of each type of well is multiplied by the number of wells used for domestic purpose to obtain the domestic ground water extraction.

*Consumptive Use Method: –* In this method, population is multiplied with per capita consumption usually expressed in litre per capita per day (lpcd). It can be expressed using following equation.

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Where,

 $L<sub>0</sub>$  = Fractional Load on Ground Water for Domestic Water Supply.

The Load on Ground water can be obtained from the Information based on Civic water supply agencies in urban areas.

#### 2.1.1.11.3. Ground Water Extraction for Industrial Use (GE<sub>IND</sub>)

The commonly adopted methods for estimating the extraction for industrial use are as below:

**Unit Draft Method: -** In this method, unit draft of each type of well is multiplied by the number of wells used for industrial purpose to obtain the industrial ground water extraction.

*Consumptive Use Pattern Method: –* In this method, water consumption of different industrial units is determined. Numbers of Industrial units which are dependent on ground water are multiplied with unit water consumption to obtain ground water extraction for industrial use.

#### $GE_{IND}$  = Number of Industrial Units  $\times$  Unit Water Consumption  $\times$   $L_q$  ... ... ... ... ......... (17)

Where,

 $L_q$  = Fractional load on ground water for industrial water supply.

The load on ground water for industrial water supply can be obtained from water supply agencies in the Industrial belt.

Ground water extraction obtained from different methods need to be compared and based on field checks, the seemingly best value may be adopted. At times, ground water extraction obtained by different methods may vary widely. In such cases, the value matching the field situation should be considered. The storage depletion during a season, where other recharges are negligible can be taken as ground water extraction during that particular period.

#### **2.1.1.12. Stage of Ground Water Extraction**

The stage of ground water extraction is defined by,

 $\textit{Stage of GW Extraction} = \frac{Existing\ Gross\GW\ Extraction\ for\ all\ uses\ } \times 100\,\dots\,\dots\,\dots\,(18)$ 

The existing gross ground water extraction for all uses refers to the total of existing gross ground water extraction for irrigation and all other purposes. The stage of ground water extraction should be obtained separately for command areas, non-command areas and poor ground water quality areas.

#### **2.1.1.13. Validation of Stage of Ground Water Extraction**

The assessment based on the stage of ground water extraction has inherent uncertainties. In view of this, it is desirable to validate the 'Stage of Ground Water Extraction' with long term trend of ground water levels.

Long term Water Level trends are prepared for a minimum period of 10 years for both pre-monsoon and post-monsoon period. If the ground water resource assessment and the trend of long term water levels contradict each other, this anomalous situation requires a review of the ground water resource computation, as well as the reliability of water level data. The mismatch conditions are enumerated below.



#### **2.1.1.14. Categorisation of Assessment Unit**

As emphasised in the National Water Policy, 2012, a convergence of Quantity and Quality of ground water resources is required while assessing the ground water status in an assessment unit. Therefore, it is recommended to separate estimation of resources where water quality is beyond permissible limits for the parameter salinity.

#### **2.1.1.14.1. Categorisation of Assessment Unit Based on Quantity**

The categorisation based on status of ground water quantity is defined by Stage of Ground Water Extraction as given below:


## **2.1.1.14.2. Categorisation of Assessment Unit Based on Quality**

As it is not possible to categorize the assessment units in terms of the extent of quality hazard, based on the available water quality monitoring mechanism and database on ground water quality, the Committee recommends that each assessment unit, in addition to the Quantity based categorization (safe, semi-critical, critical and over-exploited) should bear a quality hazard identifier. If any of the three quality hazards in terms of Arsenic, Fluoride and Salinity are encountered in the assessment sub unit in mappable units, the assessment sub unit may be tagged with the particular Quality hazard.

## **2.1.1.15. Allocation of Ground Water Resource for Utilisation**

The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources are to be apportioned between domestic, industrial and irrigation uses. Among these, as per the National Water Policy, requirement for domestic water supply is to be accorded priority. This requirement has to be based on population as projected to the year 2025, per capita requirement of water for domestic use, and relative load on ground water for urban and rural water supply. In situations where adequate data is not available to make this estimate, the following empirical relation is recommended.

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 ×  $L_g$  *mm per year* … … … … … … … … … … … … (19)

Where,

Alloc = Allocation for domestic water requirement

 $N =$  population density in the unit in thousands per sq. km.

 $L_0$  = fractional load on ground water for domestic water supply ( $\leq 1.0$ )

In deriving equation (19), it is assumed that the requirement of water for domestic use is 60 lpd per head. The equation can be suitably modified in case per capita requirement is different. If by chance, the estimation of projected allocation for future domestic needs is less than the current domestic extraction due to any reason, the allocation must be equal to the present day extraction. It can never be less than the present day extraction as it is unrealistic.

## **2.1.1.16. Net Annual Ground Water Availability for Future Use**

The water available for future use is obtained by deducting the allocation for domestic use and current extraction for Irrigation and Industrial uses from the Annual Extractable Ground Water Recharge. The resulting ground water potential is termed as the net annual ground water availability for future use. The Net annual ground water availability for future use should be calculated separately for non-command areas and command areas. As per the recommendations of the R&D Advisory committee, the ground water available for future use can never be negative. If it becomes negative, the future allocation of Domestic needs can be reduced to current extraction for domestic use. Even then if it is still negative, then the ground water available for future uses will be zero.

## **2.1.1.17. Additional Potential Resources under Specific Conditions 2.1.1.17.1. Potential Resource Due to Spring Discharge**

Spring discharge occurs at the places where ground water level cuts the surface topography. The spring discharge is equal to the ground water recharge minus the outflow through evaporation and evapotranspiration and vertical and lateral sub-surface flow. Thus, Spring Discharge is a form of 'Annual Extractable Ground Water Recharge'. It is a renewable resource, though not to be used for Categorisation. Spring discharge measurement is to be carried out by volumetric measurement of discharge of the springs. Spring discharges multiplied with time in days of each season will give the quantum of spring resources available during that season. The committee recommends that in hilly areas with substantial potential of spring discharges, the discharge measurement should be made at least 4 times a year in parity with the existing water level monitoring schedule.

### Potential ground water resource due to springs  $= Q \times No$  of days  $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$  (20)

Where,

Q = Spring Discharge No of days = No of days spring yields.

## **2.1.1.17.2. Potential Resource in Waterlogged and Shallow Water Table Areas**

In the area where the ground water level is less than 5m below ground level or in waterlogged areas, the resources up to 5m below ground level are potential and would be available for development in addition to the annual recharge in the area. The computation of potential resource to ground water reservoir in shallow water table areas can be done by adopting the following equation:

#### Potential ground water resource in shallow water table areas =  $(5 - D) \times A \times S_y$  ... ... ... .. (21)

Where,

D = Depth to water table below ground surface in pre-monsoon period in shallow aquifers.

A = Area of shallow water table zone.

 $S_Y =$  Specific Yield

## **2.1.1.17.3. Potential Resource in Flood Prone Areas**

Ground water recharge from a flood plain is mainly the function of the following parameters-

- Areal extent of flood plain
- Retention period of flood
- Type of sub-soil strata and silt charge in the river water which gets deposited and controls seepage

Since collection of data on all these factors is time taking and difficult, in the meantime, the potential resource from flood plain may be estimated on the same norms as for ponds, tanks and lakes. This has to be calculated over the water spread area and only for the retention period using the following formula.

## Potential ground water resource in Flood Prone Areas =  $1.4 \times N \times \dfrac{A}{1000}$  ... ... ... ... ... .... ... (22)

Where,

N = No. of Days Water is Retained in the Area

A = Flood Prone Area

#### **2.1.1.18. Apportioning of Ground Water Assessment from Watershed to Development Unit**

Where the assessment unit is a watershed, there is a need to convert the ground water assessment in terms of an administrative unit such as block/ taluka/ mandal/ firka. This may be done as follows.

A block may comprise of one or more watersheds, in part or full. First, the ground water assessment in the subareas, command, non-command and poor ground water quality areas of the watershed may be converted into depth unit (mm), by dividing the annual recharge by the respective area. The contribution of this subarea of the watershed to the block, is now calculated by multiplying this depth with the area in the block occupied by this sub-area. This procedure must be followed to calculate the contribution from the sub-areas of all watersheds occurring in the block, to work out the total ground water resource of the block.

The total ground water resource of the block should be presented separately for each type of subarea, namely for command areas, non-command areas and poor ground water quality areas, as in the case of the individual watersheds.

## **2.1.2. Assessment of In-Storage Ground Water Resources or Static Ground Water Resources**

The computation of the static or in-storage ground water resources may be done after delineating the aquifer thickness and specific yield of the aquifer material. The computations can be done as follows: -

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Where,

SGWR = Static or in-storage ground water resources

A = Area of the assessment unit

 $Z_2$ = Bottom of unconfined aquifer

 $Z_1$  = Pre-monsoon water level

 $S_Y$ = Specific yield in the in-storage zone

#### **2.1.3. Assessment of Total Ground Water Availability in Unconfined Aquifer**

The sum of Annual Exploitable Ground Water Resource and the In-storage Ground Water Resources of an unconfined aquifer is the Total Ground Water Availability of that aquifer.

#### **2.2. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT OF CONFINED AQUIFER SYSTEM**

The assessment of the ground water resources of the confined aquifers is done by following ground water storage approach. If the areal extent of the confined aquifer is "A" then the total quantity of water added to or released from the entire aquifer is

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Where,

Q = Quantity of water confined aquifer can release (m $^3$ )

S = Storativity

A = Areal extent of the confined aquifer (m<sup>2</sup>)

#### Δh = Change in Piezometric head (m)

Once the piezometric head reaches below the top confining bed, it behaves like an unconfined aquifer and directly dewaters the aquifer and there is a possibility of damage to the aquifer as well as topography. The quantity of water released in confined aquifer due to change in pressure can be computed between piezometric head (ht) at any given time 't' and the bottom of the top confining layer (ho) by using the following equation.

 $Q_P = S \times A \times \Delta h = S \times A \times (h_t - h_0)$  … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … (25)

Where,

 $Q_P$  = Ground Water Potential of Confined Aquifer S = Storativity A = Areal extent of the confined aquifer Δh = Change in Piezometric head  $h_t$  = Piezometric head at any particular time  $h_0$  = Bottom of the top Confining Layer

If any development activity is started in the confined aquifer, the assessment is done for both the dynamic as well as in-storage resources of the confined aquifer.

## **2.2.1. Dynamic Ground Water Resources of Confined Aquifer**

To assess the dynamic ground water resources of the confined aquifer the following equation can be used with the pre and post monsoon piezometric heads of the particular aquifer.

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Where,

 $\mathsf{Q}_{\mathsf{D}}$  = Dynamic Ground Water Resource of Confined Aquifer (m $^3)$ S = Storativity A = Areal extent of the confined aquifer (m<sup>2</sup>) Δh = Change in piezometric head (m)  $h_{POST}$  = Piezometric head during post-monsoon period ( $m$  amsl)  $h_{PRE}$  = Piezometric head during pre-monsoon period (m amsl)

## **2.2.2. In-storage Ground Water Resources of Confined Aquifer**

For assessing the in- storage ground water potential of a confined aquifer, one has to compute the resources between the pre-monsoon piezometric head and bottom of the top confining layer. That can be assessed using the following formula:

 $Q_I = S \times A \times \Delta h = S \times A \times (h_{PRE} - h_0)$  … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … … (27)

Where,

 $\mathsf{Q}_{\mathsf{I}}$ =In-storage Ground Water Resource of Confined Aquifer (m $^3)$ 

S = Storativity

A = Areal extent of the confined aquifer (m<sup>2</sup>)

Δh = Change in piezometric head (m)

 $h_0$  = Bottom level of the top confining layer (m amsl)  $h_{PRF}$  Piezometric head during pre-monsoon period (m amsl)

If the confined aquifer is not being exploited for any purpose, the dynamic and static resources of the confined aquifer need not be estimated separately. Instead the in-storage ground water resource of the aquifer can be computed using the following formula.

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Where,

 $Q_P$  = In-storage Ground Water Resource of Confined Aquifer or the quantity of water under pressure (m $^3)$ S = Storativity A = Areal extent of the confined aquifer (m<sup>2</sup>) Δh = Change in piezometric head (m)  $h_0$  = Bottom level of the top confining layer (m amsl)  $h_{POST}$  = Piezometric head during post-monsoon period (m amsl)

The calculated resource includes small amount of dynamic resource of the confined aquifer also, which replenishes every year. But to make it simpler this was also computed as part of the static or in-storage resource of the confined aquifer.

## **2.2.3. Assessment of Total Ground Water Availability of Confined Aquifer**

If the confined aquifer is being exploited, the Total Ground Water Availability of the confined aquifer is the sum of Dynamic Ground Water Resources and the In-storage Ground Water Resources of that confined aquifer whereas if it is not being exploited, the Total Ground Water Availability of the confined aquifer comprises of only one component i.e. the In-storage Ground Water Resources of that confined aquifer.

## **2.3. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT OF SEMI-CONFINED AQUIFER SYSTEM**

The Assessment of Ground Water Resources of a semi-confined aquifer has some more complications. Unless and until, it is well studied that the recharge to this is not computed either in the over lying unconfined aquifer or underlying/overlying semi confined aquifers, it should not be assessed separately. If it is assessed separately, there is a possibility of duplication of estimating the same resource by direct computation in one aquifer and as leakage in the other aquifer. As it is advisable to under estimate rather than to overestimate the resources, it is recommended not to assess these resources separately as long as there is no study indicating its non-estimation. If it is found through field studies that the resources are not assessed in any of the aquifers in the area, these resources are to be assessed following the methodology similar to that used in assessing the resources of Confined aquifers.

## **2.4. TOTAL GROUND WATER AVAILABILITY OF AN AREA**

The Total Ground Water Availability in any area is the sum of dynamic and static/in-storage ground water resources in the unconfined aquifer and the dynamic and In-storage ground water resources of the Confined aquifers and semi confined aquifers in the area.

#### **2.5. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT IN URBAN AREAS**

The Assessment of Ground Water Resources in urban areas is similar to that of rural areas. Because of the availability of draft data and slightly different infiltration process and recharge due to other sources, the following few points are to be considered.

- Even though the data on existing ground water abstraction structures are available, accuracy is somewhat doubtful and individuals cannot even enumerate the well census in urban areas. Hence it is recommended to use the difference of the actual demand and the supply by surface water sources as the withdrawal from the ground water resources.
- The urban areas are sometimes concrete jungles and rainfall infiltration is not equal to that of rural areas unless and until special measures are taken in the construction of roads and pavements. Hence, it is proposed to use 30% of the rainfall infiltration factor proposed for urban areas as an adhoc arrangement till field studies in these areas are done and documented field studies are available.
- Because of the water supply schemes, there are many pipelines available in the urban areas and the seepages from these channels or pipes are huge in some areas. Hence this component is also to be included in the other resources and the recharge may be estimated. The percent losses may be collected from the individual water supply agencies, 50% of which can be taken as recharge to the ground water system.
- In the urban areas in India, normally, there is no separate channels either open or sub surface for the drainage and flash floods. These channels also recharge to some extent the ground water reservoir. As on today, there is no documented field study to assess the recharge. The seepages from the sewerages, which normally contaminate the ground water resources with nitrate also contribute to the quantity of resources and hence same percent as in the case of water supply pipes may be taken as norm for the recharge on the quantity of sewerage when there is sub surface drainage system. If estimated flash flood data is available the same percent can be used on the quantum of flash floods to estimate the recharge from the flash floods. Even when the drainage system is open channels, till further documented field studies are done same procedure may be followed.
- It is proposed to have a separate ground water assessment for urban areas with population more than 10 lakhs.

#### **2.6. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT IN COASTAL AREAS**

The assessment of ground water resources in coastal areas is similar to that of other areas. Because of the nature of hydraulic equilibrium of ground water with sea water, care should be taken in assessing the ground water resources of this area. While assessing the resources in these areas, following few points are to be considered.

 The ground water resources assessment in coastal areas includes the areas where the influence of sea water has an effect on the existence of fresh water in the area. It can be demarcated from the Coastal Regulatory zone or the Geomorphological maps or from the maps where sea water influences are demarcated.

- Wherever, the pre monsoon and post monsoon water levels are above mean sea level the dynamic component of the estimation will be same as other areas.
- If both these water levels are below sea level, the dynamic component should be taken as zero.
- Wherever, the post monsoon water table is above sea level and pre monsoon water table is below sea level the pre monsoon water table should be taken as at sea level and fluctuation is to be computed.
- The static or in storage resources are to be restricted to the minimum of 40 times the pre monsoon water table or the bottom of the aquifer.

## **2.7. GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT IN WATER LEVEL DEPLETION ZONES**

There may be areas where ground water level shows a decline even in the monsoon season. The reasons for this may be any one of the following : (a) There is a genuine depletion in the ground water regime, with ground water extraction and natural ground water discharge in the monsoon season(outflow from the region and base flow) exceeding the recharge. (b) There may be an error in water level data due to inadequacy of observation wells.

If it is concluded that the water level data is erroneous, recharge assessment may be made based on rainfall infiltration factor method. If, on the other hand, water level data is assessed as reliable, the ground water level fluctuation method may be applied for recharge estimation. As ΔS in equation 3& 4 is negative, the estimated recharge will be less than the gross ground water extraction in the monsoon season. It must be noted that this recharge is the gross recharge minus the natural discharges in the monsoon season. The immediate conclusion from such an assessment in water depletion zones will be that the area falls under the over-exploited category which requires micro level study.

## **2.8. MICRO LEVEL STUDY FOR NOTIFIED AREAS**

In all areas which are 'Notified' for ground water regulation by the Central and/ or State Ground Water Authorities, it is necessary to increase the density of observation wells for carrying out microlevel studies to reassess the ground water recharge and draft. Following approach may be adopted:

- 1. The area may be sub-divided into different hydrogeological sub-areas and into recharge area, discharge area and transition zone and also on quality terms.
- 2. The number of observation wells should be increased to represent each such sub-areas with at least one observation well with continuous monitoring of water levels.
- 3. Hydrological and hydrogeological parameters particularly the specific yield should be collected for different formations in each sub-area.
- 4. Details regarding other parameters like seepage factor from canals and other surface water projects should be collected after field studies, instead of adopting recommended norms. Base flow should be estimated based on stream gauge measurement.
- 5. The data of number of existing structures and unit draft should be reassessed after fresh surveys and should match with the actual irrigation pattern in the sub-area.
- 6. All data available with Central Ground Water Board, State Ground Water Departments and other agencies including research institutions and universities etc. should be collected for the watershed/sub-areas and utilised for reassessment.
- 7. Ground water assessment for each sub-area may be computed adopting the recommended methodology and freshly collected values of different parameters. The assessment may be made separately for monsoon and non-monsoon period as well as for command, noncommand and poor ground water quality areas.
- 8. The ground water potential so worked out may be cross-checked with behaviour of ground water levels in the observation wells and both should match. If it does not, the factor that causes such an anomaly should be identified and the revised assessment should be reexamined.
- 9. Based on the micro-level studies, the sub-areas within the unit and the unit as a whole may be classified adopting norms for categorisation as recommended elsewhere in the methodology.

## **2.9. NORMS TO BE USED IN THE ASSESSMENT**

The committee recommends that the state agencies should be encouraged to conduct field studies and use these computed norms in the assessment. For conducting field studies, it is recommended to follow the field-tested procedures for computing the norms. There is the possibility of error creeping in at various levels in the field study and hence the committee is of the opinion to give a maximum and minimum values for all the norms used in the estimation. The committee can foresee the handicap of the state agencies which are not able to compute the norms by their own field study. In such cases, it suggests an average of the range of norms to be used as the recommended value for the norm.

## **2.9.1. Specific Yield**

Recently under Aquifer Mapping Project, Central Ground Water Board has classified all the aquifers into 16 Principal Aquifers which in turn were divided into 42 Major Aquifers. Hence, it is required to assign Specific Yield values to all these aquifer units. The values recommended in the **Table 2.1** may be followed in the future assessments. The Major aquifer map can be obtained from Regional offices of Central Ground Water Board.

The recommended Specific Yield values are to be used for assessment, unless sufficient data based on field studies are available to justify the minimum, maximum or other intermediate values. The Norms suggested below are nothing but the redistribution of norms suggested by GEC-1997 methodology and hence people are encouraged to conduct field studies and strengthen the Norms database.







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#### **2.9.2. Rainfall Infiltration Factor**

It is recommended that to assign Rainfall Infiltration Factor values to all the aquifer units recently classified by the Central Ground Water Board. The values recommended in **Table 2.2** may be followed in the future assessments. The recommended Rainfall Infiltration Factor values are to be used for assessment, unless sufficient data based on field studies are available to justify the minimum, maximum or other intermediate values.

An additional 2% of rainfall recharge factor may be used in such areas or parts of the areas where watershed development with associated soil conservation measures are implemented. This additional factor is subjective and is separate from the contribution due to the water conservation structures such as check dams, nalla bunds, percolation tanks etc. The norms for the estimation of recharge due to these structures are provided separately. This additional factor of 2% is at this stage, only provisional, and will need revision based on pilot studies.

The Norms suggested below are nothing but the redistribution of norms suggested by GEC-1997 methodology and hence people are encouraged to conduct field studies and strengthen the Norms database.



#### **Table 2.2: Norms Recommended for Rainfall Infiltration Factor**







## **2.9.3. Norms for Canal Recharge**

Unlike other norms, the Recharge factor for calculating recharge due to canals is given in two units viz. ham/million m $^2$  of wetted area/day and cumecs per million m $^2$  of wetted area. As all other norms are in ham, the committee recommends the norm in ham/million  $m^2$  of wetted area for computing the recharge due to canals.

There is a wide variation in the values of the recharge norms proposed by GEC 1997.The Canal seepage norm is approximately 150 times the other recharge norms. In the absence of any field studies to refine the norms it is decided by the committee to continue with the same norms. The committee strongly recommends that each state agency must conduct one filed study at least one in each district before completing the first assessment using this methodology. The committee also suggests a recommended value and minimum and maximum values as in the case of other norms. Where specific results are available from case studies in some states, the adhoc norms are to be replaced by norms evolved from these results.

The Norms suggested in **Table 2.3** below are nothing but the rationalization and redistribution of norms suggested by GEC-1997 methodology and hence people are encouraged to conduct field studies and strengthen the Norms database.



#### **Table 2.3: Norms Recommended for Recharge due to Canals**

#### **2.9.4. Norms for Recharge Due to Irrigation**

The Norms Suggested by GEC-1997 gives for only three ranges of water levels and it creates a problem in the boundary conditions. For instance, as a result of the variation in water level from 24.9 to 25.1m bgl in the adjoining blocks, change occurs in the return flow from irrigation in the range of 10% to 15%. Hence to reduce the discrepancy it is recommended to have linear relationship of the norms in between 10m bgl water level and 25m bgl water level. It is proposed to have the same norm of 10m bgl zone for all the water levels less than 10m. Similarly, the norm recommended for 25m may be used for the water levels more than 25m as well. The Recommended Norms are presented in **Table 2.4**.

For surface water, the recharge is to be estimated based on water released at the outlet. For ground water, the recharge is to be estimated based on gross draft. Where continuous supply is used instead of rotational supply, an additional recharge of 5% of application may be used. Where specific results are available from case studies in some states, the adhoc norms are to be replaced by norms evolved from these results.



#### **Table 2.4: Norms Recommended for Recharge from Irrigation**



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#### **2.9.5. Norms for Recharge due to Tanks & Ponds**

As the data on the field studies for computing recharge from Tanks & Ponds are very limited, it is recommended to follow the same norm as followed in GEC 1997 in future assessments also. Hence the norm recommended by GEC-2015 for Seepage from Tanks & Ponds is 1.4 mm / day.

#### **2.9.6. Norms for Recharge due to Water Conservation Structures**

Even though the data on the field studies for computing recharge from Water Conservation Structures are very limited, it is recommended that the Recharge from the water conservation structures is 40% of the Gross Storage based on the field studies by Non-Government Organizations. Hence, the norm recommended by GEC-2015 for the seepage from Water Conservation Structures is 40% of gross storage during a year which means 20% during monsoon season and 20% during nonmonsoon Season.

## **2.9.7. Norm for Per Capita Requirement**

As the option is given to use the actual requirement for domestic needs, the Requirement Norm recommended by the committee is 60 lpcd for domestic needs. This can be modified if the actual requirement is known.

#### **2.9.8. Norm for Natural Discharges**

The Discharge Norm used in computing Unaccounted Natural Discharge is 5% if water table fluctuation method is used or 10% if rainfall infiltration factor method is used for assessing the Rainfall recharge. This committee recommends to compute the base flow for each assessment unit. Wherever, there is no assessment of base flow, earlier norms recommended by GEC 1997 i.e. 5% or 10% of the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge as the Natural Discharges may be continued.

## **2.9.9. Unit Draft**

GEC-1997 methodology recommends to use well census method for computing the ground water draft. The norm used for computing ground water draft is the unit draft. The unit draft can be computed by field studies. This method involves selecting representative abstraction structure and

calculating the discharge from that particular type of structure and collecting the information on how many hours of pumping is being done in various seasons and number of such days during each season. The Unit Draft during a particular season can be computed using the following equation:

## Unit Draft = Discharge in  $m^3/hr \times No$  of pumping hours in a day  $\times No$  of days ... ... ... (29)

One basic drawback in the methodology of computing unit draft is that there is no normalization procedure for the same. As per GEC-1997 guidelines, the recharge from rainfall is normalized for a normal rainfall. It means that even though the resources are estimated in a surplus rainfall year or in a deficit rainfall year, the assessment is normalised for a normal rainfall which is required for planning. For recharge from other sources, average figures/ values are taken. If the average figures are not available for any reason, 60% of the design figures are taken. This procedure is very much essential as the planning should be for average resources rather than for the recharge due to excess rainfall or deficit rainfall. But the procedure that is being followed for computing unit draft does not have any normalization procedure. Normally, if the year in which one collects the draft data in the field is an excess rainfall year, the abstraction from ground water will be less. Similarly, if the year of the computation of unit draft is a drought year the unit draft will be high. Hence, there is a requirement to devise a methodology that can be used for the normalization of unit draft figures. The following are the two simple techniques, which can be followed. If the unit draft values for one rainfall cycle are available for at least 10 years second method shown in equation 31 is to be followed or else the first method shown in equation 30 may be used.



Although GEC-1997 methodology recommends a default value for the unit drafts, each State is using its own values, generally after conducting field studies, even though without a documentation. Hence, it is felt that this norm may be computed by the state agency, which is going to assess the norms before commencement of the assessment. But it is strongly recommended that the field studies should be documented and submitted along with the results of the assessment.

## **2.10. INDIA -GROUNDWATER RESOURCE ESTIMATION SYSTEM (IN-GRES)**

"INDIA-GROUNDWATER RESOURCE ESTIMATION SYSTEM (IN-GRES) is a Software/Web-based Application developed by CGWB in collaboration with IIT-Hyderabad. It will provide common and standardized platform for Ground Water Resource Estimation for the entire country and its pan-India operationalization (Central and State Governments). The system will take 'Data Input' through Excel as well as Forms, compute various ground water components (recharge, extraction etc.) and classify assessment units into appropriate categories (safe, semi-critical, critical and over-exploited). The Software uses GEC 2015 Methodology for estimation and calculation of Groundwater resources. It allows for unique and homogeneous representation of groundwater fluxes as well as categories for all the assessment units (AU) of the country.

## **URL of IN-GRES →http://ingres.iith.ac.in**

The detailed description about IN-GRES Software is given in **Appendix-C**.

## **CHAPTER 3**

#### **3.0 RAINFALL OF INDIA**

Rainfall is the main source of ground water recharge in the country. However, distribution of rainfall has a wide variation both in space and time. Rain gauge stations are established and maintained by different departments and Undertakings of Central and State governments and also by private parties as per their specific data requirements. Though the period of seasons varies from place to place, for climatological purposes especially for rainfall, a year is divided into 4 seasons: Winter (January and February), Pre monsoon (March to May), South West Monsoon (June to September) and Post Monsoon (October to December). Most part of India receives rainfall mainly during SW Monsoon season. However, main Rainfall season in Tamil Nadu is October–December. Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand receive significant rainfall in all four seasons.

Over 75% of the annual rainfall is received in the four rainy months for June to September only there by leading to large variations on temporal scale. The average annual rainfall is 119 cm, but it has great spatial variations. The areas on the Western Ghats and the Sub-Himalayan areas in North East and Meghalaya Hills receive heavy rainfall of over 250 cm annually, whereas the Areas of Northern parts of Kashmir and Western Rajasthan receive rainfall less than 40 cm. Rainfall Normals have been computed using rainfall records of 50 years (1961-2010) of a network of 3800 Stations all over the India. The two significant features of India's rainfall are that, in the north India, rainfall decreases westwards and in the Peninsular India, it decreases eastwards and then increases in the coastal region.

In 2019, the country received actual annual rainfall of 1288.8 mm which was 110% of its long period average (LPA). The country received actual SW Monsoon season (June to September) rainfall of 971.8 mm which was 110% of its long period average (LPA). The rainfall for the country as whole during Pre-monsoon, Postmonsoon and Winter season was **102.1**mm, **161.1** mm & **51.5** mm which was **-22%, 30%** & **26%** of LPA respectively. The seasonal rainfall for the country as a whole was more than the normal value for the all the seasons except Premonsoon. The rainfall deficiency for the country as a whole was maximum (22%) during pre-Monsoon season.Annually, Met sub-divisionwise ,Konkan & Goa received highest rainfall of 4830.8 mm and Haryana; Chadigarh & Delhi received lowest annual rainfall 0f 356.8 mm. [Source: Rainfall Statistics of India 2019 of India Meteorological Department(Ministry of Earth Sciences), Report No.-MoES/IMD/HS/ Rainfall Report/01(2021)/57 ]

State wise seasonal and annual observed rainfall, and its percentage departure from normal rainfall for the states have been given in Table 1. It may be observed that during 2019, annual highest area weighted rainfall of 4489.5 mm was received at Goa and the lowest rainfall of 351.8 mm was received at Haryana. However, on comparing with Normal rainfall, it may be seen that, Dadra & Nagar Haveli (UT) was with the highest positive departure of 70% from its normal where as Manipur remained with highest negative departure ( -54%) from normal.

Statewise monthly observed rainfall (mm) for the states have been given in Table 2. During SW Monsoon season, monthly highest rainfall occurred 1513.2 mm over the state of Dadra & Nagar Haveli (UT) in the month of July and minimum rainfall occurred 58.7 mm over the state Tamilnadu in the month of July.









#### **3.1 METEROLOGICAL SUBDIVISION-WISE ANNUAL & SEASONAL RAINFALL MAPS**

The rainfall statistics is computed based on the receipt of rainfall data from about 3500 stations spread over the entire country. Based on daily rainfall data of these stations, the rainfall of all the districts is computed and using the rainfall of the districts, rainfall statistics for the Meteorological (Met.) Subdivisions, states, the four broad regions and for the whole country have been computed. The present publication includes the updated rainfall statistics for the country as a whole, for all the four broad regions of India, 36 Met.Subdivisions, all States and UTs and 681 Districts of India. The statistics is provided on monthly, 4 seasons i.e. Winter (Jan-Feb), Pre-Monsoon (Mar-May), Southwest (SW) Monsoon (Jun-Sep) and Post-Monsoon (Oct-Dec), and on annual basis. The Rainfall Normals used in this report are based on the rainfall records for the period from 1961-2010. Percentage departure of rainfall from Rainfall Normals, besides these statistics, have been color coded as per their categories. The list of categories, their corresponding ranges and color codes is given in Table 3.

Met.Subdivision-wise rainfall maps for the year 2019 and for the four seasons depicting the observed and normal rainfall values along with their percentage departure from normals with defined colors for different categories are given below at Figure 3.1 to Figure 3.5. The normal rainfall values are shown in Bold figures on the map where as the actual rainfall are shown in small figures. Percentage departures of rainfall are shown within the brackets.



wores.<br>[a] Rainfill figures are based on operational data.<br>[b] Small figures indicate actual rainfall (mm.), while bold figures indicate Normal rainfall (mm.)<br>Percentage Departures of Rainfall are shown in Brackets.





**Fig. 3.2: Pre-Monsoon Rainfall Map-2019 Fig. 3.3: Winter Rainfall Map-2019**





**Fig. 3.4: SW Monsoon Rainfall Map-2019 Fig. 3.5: Post-Monsoon Rainfall Map-2019**

Table 3: The list of categories, their corresponding ranges and color codes		



## **CHAPTER 4**

#### **4.0 HYDROGEOLOGICAL SETUP OF INDIA**

India is occupied by a variety of hard and fissured formations, including crystalline, trappean basalt and consolidated sedimentaries (including carbonate rocks), with patches of semi- consolidated sediments in narrow intra-cratonic basins. Apart from this, the northern part of the country and south of Himalayan terrain is occupied by alluvial formation stretching from Rajasthan in the west to Brahmaputra valley in the east. Rugged topography, compact and fissured nature of the rock formations combine to give rise to discontinuous aquifers, with moderate to poor yield potentials. The near surface weathered mantle coupled with deeper fractures form an important aquifer in case of hard rocks. In hard rock terrains, deep weathered pediments, lowlands, valley fills and abandoned river channels, generally have adequate thickness of porous material, to act as repositories of groundwater.

#### **4.1 AQUIFER SYSTEMS OF INDIA**

Various rock formations with different hydrogeological characteristics act as distinct aquifer systems of varying dimensions. The aquifer systems of India can be broadly categorized in to 14 Principal Groups. A brief description of the Principal Aquifer Systems (Fig. 4.1), as identified by CGWB (CGWB 2012) is given below.

#### **4.1.1 Alluvial Aquifers**

The Quaternary sediments comprising Recent Alluvium, Older Alluvium, Aeolian Alluvium (Silt/ Sand) and Coastal Alluvium of Bay of Bengal are by and large important unconsolidated formations constituting major alluvial aquifers. These sediments are essentially composed of clays, silts, sands, pebbles, Kankar etc. These are by far the most significant ground water reservoirs for large scale and extensive development. The hydrogeological environment and ground water regime in the Indo-Ganga-Brahmaputra basin indicate the existence of potential aquifers having enormous fresh ground water reserves. Bestowed with high incidence of rainfall and covered by a thick pile of porous sediments, these ground water reservoirs get replenished every year and are being used heavily. In these areas, in addition to the Annual Replenishable Ground Water Resources available in the zone of Water Level Fluctuation (Dynamic Ground Water Resource), there exists a huge ground water reserve in the deeper part below the zone of fluctuation as well as in the deeper confined aquifers.The coastal aquifers show wide variation in water quality, both laterally and vertically, thus imposing quality constraints for groundwater development.

#### **4.1.2 Laterite**

Laterites are formed from the leaching (chemical weathering) of parent sedimentary rocks (sandstones, clays, limestones); metamorphic rocks (schists, gneisses, migmatites) and igneous rocks (granites, basalts, gabbros, peridotites). It is rich in iron and aluminium, formed in hot and wet tropical areas. Laterites are the most wide spread and extensively developed aquifer especially in the peninsular states of India. Laterite forms potential aquifers along valleys and topographic lows where the thickness of the saturated zone is more and can sustain large diameter open wells for domestic and irrigation use.

## **4.1.3 Sandstone, Shale Aquifers**

The sandstone and shale aquifers generally belong to the group of rocks ranging in age from Carboniferous to Mio-Pliocene. The terrestrial freshwater deposits belonging to Gondwana System and the Tertiary deposits along the west and east coast of the peninsular region are included under this category. The Gondwana sandstones form highly potential aquifers, locally. Elsewhere, they have moderate potential and in places they yield meagre supplies. The Gondwanas, Lathis, Tipams, Cuddalore sandstones and their equivalents are the most extensive productive aquifers in this category.

## **4.1.4 Limestone Aquifers**

The consolidated sedimentary rocks include carbonate rocks such as limestones, dolomite and marble. Among the carbonate rocks, limestones occupy the largest area. In the carbonate rocks, the principal water bearing zones are the fractures and solution cavities. Consolidated sedimentary rocks of Cuddapah and Vindhyan subgroups and their equivalents consist of limestones/dolomites apart from other major litho-units such as conglomerates, sandstones, shales, slates and quartzites.

## **4.1.5 Basalt Aquifers**

Basalt is a basic volcanic rock which forms alternate layers of compact and vesicular beds of lava flows as seen in the Deccan trap area. The ground water occurrence in basalts are controlled by nature and extent of weathering, presence of vesicles and lava tubes, thickness of flows, number of flows and the nature of inter-trappean layers. Basaltic aquifers have usually medium to low permeability.Ground water occurrence in the Deccan Traps is controlled by the contrasting water bearing properties of different flow units, thus, resulting in multiple aquifer system, at places. The water bearing zones are the weathered and fractured zones.

## **4.1.6 Crystalline Aquifers**

The crystalline hard rock aquifers such as granite, gneisses and high grade metamorphic rocks such as charnockites and khondalites constitute good repository of ground water. Most of the results of groundwater exploration projects have proven that hard rocks neither receive nor transmit water, unless they are weathered and/or fractured.The aquifers are the weathered zone or the fracture system.The fracture system includes fractures, joints, bedding planes, and solution holes. These openings do not have an even distribution and are rather localized. The weathered zone is underlain by semi-weathered rock, fractured rock followed by bedrock. The depth of the bed rock varies from 30-100 m.

In hard rock terrains, ground water occurs under phreatic condition in the mantle of weathered rock, overlying the hard rock, while within the fissures, fractures, cracks, joints within the hard rock, ground water is mostly under semi-confined or in the confined state. Compared to the volume of water stored under semi-confined condition within the body of the hardrock, the storage in the overlying phreatic aquifer is often much greater. In such cases, the network of fissures and fractures serves as a permeable conduit feeding this water to the well. Ground water flow rarely occurs across the topographical water divides and each basin or sub-basin can be treated as a separate hydrogeological unit for planning the development of ground water resources.



**Fig. 4.1: Principal Aquifer Systems of India**

## **CHAPTER-5**

#### **5.0 GROUND WATER LEVEL SCENARIO IN THE COUNTRY**

Ground water level is one of the basic data elements, which reflects the ground water regime in an area. Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) monitors ground water levels four times a year during January, April/ May, August and November through a network of 22730 observation wells spreading throughout the country. The periodicity of ground water level monitoring by the State Governments varies from State to State. The primary objective of monitoring the ground water level is to record the response of ground water regime to the natural and anthropogenic stresses on recharge and discharge components which are governed by geology, climate, physiography, land use pattern and hydrologic characteristics. Natural conditions affecting the regime include climatic parameters like rainfall, evapotranspiration etc. Anthropogenic influences include pumpage from the aquifer, recharge due to irrigation systems and other practices like waste disposal etc. Water level data generated and archived by CGWB along with data from State Government departments have been used for assessment of ground water resources. An outline of groundwater scenario during the period of assessment is given below.

#### **5.1 GROUND WATER LEVEL SCENARIO (2019)**

Ground water level data of **Pre-monsoon 2019** for the country (Fig. 5.1) reveals that the general depth to water level of the country ranges from 5 to 10 m bgl. Very shallow water level of less than 2 m bgl is observed in few states, such as Assam, Jharkhand, Odisha and Tripura in small patches. Ground Water level in the range of 2-5 m bgl is seen in Assam, northern parts of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, Coastal parts of Odisha, few pockets in Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Maharashtra. Major part of the country shows water level in the range 5-10 m bgl, especially in the states of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Karnataka. In major parts of north-western and western states, especially in the states of Delhi, Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan, depth to water level is generally deeper and ranges from about 20 to more than 40 m bgl. The peninsular part of country recorded a water level in the range of 5 to 20 m bgl. The maximum depth to water level of 128.15 m bgl is observed in Bikaner district of Rajasthan whereas the minimum is less than 1 m bgl.

The ground water level data for **November (Post-monsoon) 2019** (Fig. 5.2) for the country reveals that the general depth to water level of the country ranges from 0 to 10 m bgl. Very shallow water level of less than 2 m bgl is observed in the states of Assam, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat,Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Telangana, Tamil Nadu in small patches. Majority of the wells monitored (approx. 39 %) shows water level in the range of 2- 5 m bgl, covering almost the whole country, except the north western, western and parts of northern India. In major parts of north-western and western states, depth to water level is generally deeper and ranges from about 10- 40 m bgl. In parts Delhi, Haryana and Rajasthan, water level of more than 40 m bgl is also recorded. The southern states, namely Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Telangana recorded a water level in the range of 5 to 20 m bgl, in patches. The maximum depth to water level of 121.28 m bgl is observed in Bikaner district of Rajasthan whereas the minimum is less than 1 m bgl.

#### **5.1.1 Fluctuation of Ground Water level: Pre-monsoon 2019 compared to Pre-monsoon 2016**

A comparison of depth to water level of Premonsoon 2019 with Premonsoon 2016 (Fig. 5.3) indicates that 51% of the analysed wells show decline in water level whereas almost 47% wells show rise in water level. 2.5% wells show no change. Rise and decline in water level is primarily in the 0-2 m range. Decline of water level is quite prominent in the states/ UTs of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chandigarh, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Pondicherry, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Uttarakhand. Decline of more than 4 m water level is observed in small pockets in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Chandigarh, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Uttarakhand.

## **5.1.2 Fluctuation of Ground Water level: November 2019 compared to November 2016**

A comparison of depth to water level of November 2019 with November2016 (Fig. 5.4) indicates that 69% of the analysed wells show rise in water level whereas 30% wells show decline in water level. 1% wells show no change. Rise and decline in water level is primarily in the 0-2 m range. Rise in water level is prominently seen in the states/ UTs of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Goa, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Pondicherry, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and West Bengal.



**Fig. 5.1: Pre-monsoon Depth to Water Level Map (2019)**



**Fig. 5.2: Post-monsoon Depth to Water Level Map (2019)**



#### **Fig. 5.3: Ground Water Level Fluctuation: Pre-monsoon 2019 compared to Pre-monsoon 2016**



**Fig. 5.4: Ground Water Level Fluctuation: November 2019 compared to November 2016**

# **CHAPTER 6**

#### **6.0 GROUND WATER RESOURCES OF INDIA**

The Dynamic ground water resources (as in 2020) of the entire country have been assessed jointly by CGWB and State Ground Water Departments under the supervision of the State level Committees. The dynamic ground water resources are also known as Annual Ground Water Recharge, since it gets recharged every year from rainfall and other sources (secondary sources) such as applied irrigation water, surface water bodies, water conservation structures, etc. Methodology adopted for the assessment has been outlined in Chapter 2 of this report.This section provides a summary of the Ground water Resources Assessment 2020 (GWRA-2020) made for the country.

#### **6.1 DYNAMIC FRESH GROUND WATER RESOURCES**

As per the 2020 assessment of Dynamic Ground Water Resources, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge for the entire country has been assessed as 436.15 billion cubic meter (bcm) and Total natural discharges works out to be 38.51 bcm. Hence, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources for the entire country is 397.62 bcm.

Major source of ground water recharge is the monsoon rainfall, which is 249.65 bcm and about 57 % of the total annual ground water recharge (Fig.6.1). The contribution in Annual Ground Water Recharge from rainfall during monsoon season is more than 70% in the states/UT of Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Andaman & Nicobar, Dadra & Nagar Haveli Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep. (Fig 6.2). The overall contribution of rainfall (both monsoon & non-monsoon) recharge to country's total annual ground water recharge is 64 % and the share of recharge from 'Other sources' viz. canal seepage, return flow from irrigation, recharge from tanks, ponds and water conservation structures taken together is 36 %.

State-wise Ground Water Resources of India (as in 2020) are given in **Annexure-I** and the districtwise figures for each State are given in **Annexure-II**. The over-all scenario of ground water resource and extraction in the country is given in **Fig. 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4 & 6.5.**

Volumetric estimates are dependent on the areal extent of the assessment units. In order to compare the ground water resource of different assessment units, the volumetric estimates of annual ground water recharge have been converted to depth units (m) by dividing the annual ground water recharge by the area of the respective assessment units ( $km<sup>2</sup>$ ). Spatial variation in annual ground water recharge (m) is shown in **Fig 6.3.** Annual Ground Water Recharge is significantly high in the Indus-Ganga-Brahmaputra alluvial belt in the North, East and North East India covering the states of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and valley areas of North Eastern States, where rainfall is plenty and thick piles of unconsolidated alluvial formations are conducive for recharge. Annual Ground Water Recharge in these regions varies from 0.25 to more than 0.5 m. The coastal alluvial belt particularly Eastern Coast also has relatively high annual ground water recharge, in the range 0.25 to more than 0.5 m. In western India, particularly Rajasthan and parts of northern Gujarat that have arid climate, the annual ground water recharge is scanty, mostly up to 0.025 m. Similarly, in major parts of the southern peninsula covered with hardrock terrains, annual ground water recharge mostly ranges from 0.10 to 0.15 m. This is primarily because of comparatively low infiltration and storage capacity of the rock formations prevailing in the region. The remaining part of Central India is mostly characterized by moderate recharge in the range of 0.10 to 0.25 m.

The overall estimate of Annual Ground Water Recharge for the entire country shows a increase of 4 bcm in the present assessment as compared to the last assessment i.e. 2017. The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources shows a increase of 5 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction for irrigation, domestic and Industrial uses has also decreased by 4 bcm. The main reasons for these variations is attributed to refinement of parameters, refinement in well census data and changing ground water regime.



**Fig. 6.1: Ground Water Resources and Extraction Scenario in India, 2020**





**Fig. 6.3: Spatial variation in annual ground water recharge, 2020**
#### **6.2 GROUND WATER EXTRACTION**

The assessment of ground water extraction is carried out considering the Minor Irrigation Census data and sample surveys carried out by the State Ground Water Departments. The Total Annual Ground Water Extraction of the entire country for the year 2020 has been estimated as 244.92bcm. Agriculture sector is the predominant consumer of ground water resources. About 89 % of total annual ground water extraction i.e. 217.61 bcm is for irrigation use. Only 27.3 bcm is for Domestic & Industrial use, which is about 11 % of the total extraction. In the states of Arunachal Pradesh, Delhi, Goa, Kerala, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Andaman & Nicobar Island, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh and Lakshadweep the ground water extraction for domestic uses is more than 40 % **(Fig 6.4).**

## **6.3 STAGE OF GROUND WATER EXTRACTION**

The overall stage of groundwater development in the country is 61.6 %.The stage of ground water Extraction is very high in the states of Delhi, Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan, where it is more than 100%, which implies that in these states the annual ground water consumption is more than annual extractable ground water resources. In the states of Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka and UTs of Chandigarh and Puducherry, the stage of ground water Extraction is between 60-100%. In rest of the states, the stage of ground water extraction is below 60 %.

#### **6.4 CATEGORIZATION OF ASSESSMENT UNITS**

Out of the total 6965 assessment units (Blocks/ Taluks/ Mandals/ Districts/Firkas/Valleys), 1114 has been categorized as 'Over-exploited', 270 as 'Critical', 1057 as 'Semi-critical', and 4427 units as 'Safe'. There are 97 assessment units, which are completely saline. The State-wise and District-wise numbers of assessment units under different categories are given in **Annexure III (A) and Annexure III (B)** respectively.The percentage of Over-exploited and Critical administrative units more than 25% of the total units are in Delhi, Haryana, Karnataka, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu (**Fig. 6.5**). The State-wise name of the assessment units under Over-exploited, Critical and Semi-critical categories and Quality problems in assessment units are given in **Annexure IV (A) and Annexure IV (B)** respectively. Similarly out of 24.33 lakh sq km recharge worthy area of the country, 4.09 lakh sq km ( 17 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 0.86 lakh sq km (4 %) are under 'Critical', 3.4 lakh sq km (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 15.67 lakh sq km (64 %) are under 'Safe' and 0.3 lakh sq km (1 %) are under 'Saline' category assessment units. State-wise and District-wise details are given in **Annexure III (E) and Annexure III (F)** respectively. Out of 397.62 bcm of Total Annual Extractable Resources of the country, 50.54 bcm (13 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 12.71 bcm (3 %) are under 'Critical', 54.11 bcm (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 280.26 bcm (70 %) are under 'Safe' category assessment units. State-wise and District-wise details are given in **Annexure III (C) and Annexure III (D)** respectively.

The state wise summary of assessment units improved or deteriorated from 2017 to 2020 assessment and detailed comparison of categorization of assessment units from 2017 and 2020 are given in **Annexure V (A) and Annexure V(B)** respectively**.**







**Fig. 6.5: Categorization of Assessment Units**

#### **6.5 INTEGRATION OF GROUND WATER AND SURFACE WATER DATA WITH A VIEW TO FACILITATE PLANNING FOR CONJUNCTIVE USE OF WATER RESOURCES**

Assessment of ground water resources is based on the principle of water balance using the equation 'Inflow – Outflow = Change in Storage (of an aquifer)'. Major inflow components includerecharge due to rainfall and recharge from other sources. Major outflow component is ground water extraction for domestic, irrigation and industrial uses. Vertical flow across the aquifer system, lateral flow along the aquifer system (throughflow), transpiration, evaporation and base flow are other important components.

The area of each assessment unit (block/taluk/mandal/tehsil/firka etc.) is divided into command area and non-command area for the purpose of assessment. If an assessment unit is having more than 100 ha area under major and medium irrigation projects then that much area will be considered as command area. For the command area,along with other data/information pertaining to ground water resource assessment, data/information related to canal flowsis collected from the relevant agencies for assessing the recharge from canal seepage. Similarly, data related to irrigation water applied in the assessment area from surface and ground water sources in different seasons are estimated for assessing the return flow from irrigation (return flow factor depends upon depth to water level, paddy/non-paddy crops etc.). Recharge from water bodies/tanks/lakes are assessed in the area based on average water spread area and recharge factor. Recharge from water conservation structures in the area are assessed based on the storage capacity, number fillings and recharge factor.All these data/information area are collected/compiled for assessment of ground water resource of the assessment units. Based the ground water resources and surface water sources availability assessed, integrated water resource management plan and planning for conjunctive management of surface and ground water can be devised at block/assessment level by the planners. This data/information collected/compiled for assessment will be very useful for local administrators for managing water resources in a holistic and sustainable manner.

# **CHAPTER 7**

#### **7.0 STATE WISE GROUND WATER RESOURCE SCENARIO**

The ground water conditions, its availability and utilization scenario and categorization of assessment units in different states are given in Annexure I, II, III & IV. State wise summaries are given below.

#### **7.1 ANDHRA PRADESH**

The State is divided into 667 assessment units (Mandals) as the State is predominantly covered by hardrocks. The Ground water resources of these watersheds were estimated separately for Command, Non Command and Poor ground Water Quality areas for the reference year 2020. The state is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. As much as 80% of the State is underlain by hard rock formations like Archaeans, Pre- Cambrians, Cuddapahs, Kurnools and Deccan traps. The remaining 20% is underlain by soft rocks including Gondwanas, Rajahmundry sandstone and Recent Alluvium.

The Ground water resources have been assessed watershed wise and are apportioned to mandals. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been estimated as 24.15 bcm and Annual Extractable Resource is 22.94 bcm. The current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses is 7.63 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 33.26 %.

Out of 667 assessment units (mandals), 23 (3.45 %) units have been categorized, as 'Over-exploited', 15 units (2.25 %) as 'Critical', 40 units (6 %) as 'Semi-Critical', 551 units (82.61 %) as 'Safe' and 38 units (5.7 %) have been categorized as 'Saline'. Similarly out of 137393.11 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 5560.45 sq km (4.05 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 2625.82 sq km (1.91 %) under 'Critical', 7179.98 sq km (5.23 %) under 'Semi-critical', 116145.2 sq km (84.53 %) under 'Safe' and 5881.65 sq km (4.28 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 22943.54mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 438.21 mcm (1.91 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 279.23 mcm (1.22 %) under 'Critical', 733.38 mcm (3.2 %) under 'Semicritical' and 21492.71 mcm (93.68 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge for the State has increased from 21.22 bcm to 24.15 bcm, which is attributed to government interventions, e.g. water conservation activities like Neeru-Chettu and emphasis on Micro Irrigation. The number of overexploited mandals has also decreased from 45 to 23 due to the above reasons.

## **7.2 ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

The state of Arunachal Pradesh is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. Major part of the state is covered with consolidated crystalline rocks and meta-sediments of Precambrian and Palaeozoic age, while Tertiary sediments consisting of semiconsolidated argillaceous assemblage, represented by the Disang, Barail, Tipam, Siwalik and Dihing groups of rock, occupy periphery areas bordering Assam and behave as run-off and in select patches functions as infiltration zone. In consolidated formations, ground water potential appears to be limited. Semi-consolidated Tertiary formations are likely to give moderate or poor yield and expected to be controlled by aquifer geometry and structural features. Ground water in both

consolidated and semi-consolidated formations also manifests as springs and in all geological formations springs occur as both seasonal and perennial in nature.

Unconsolidated Quaternary sediments comprising the terrace deposits of Pleistocene (Bhabar zone) and also the terrace and alluvial fan deposits of Holocene age prevail in the fringe valley areas and as thin carpet in isolated structural valley sand with considerable thickness in open and wide valleys joining Brahmaputra Alluvial plains.The unconsolidated alluvial sediments in the valley areas act as good repositories for ground water development. Valleys adjoining Assam are most promising where good thickness of granular zones is distributed. Discharge of the deep tube wells, tapping mostly unconsolidated Quaternary sediments & at places Upper Tertiary formations, varies from 1.4m<sup>3</sup>/hr to 54m<sup>3</sup>/hr, while transmissivity ranges from 1 to 661m<sup>2</sup>/day.Storativity ranges from  $0.35x10^{-3}$  to 6.65x10<sup>-3</sup>.

The ground water resource estimation of the state has been done district-wise. Ground water resources of five districts namely Upper Siang, Anjaw, Dibang Valley, Kurung Kumey and Tawang could not be estimated as they are hilly areas. The Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been estimated as 3.19 bcm and Annual Extractable Annual Ground Water Resources is 2.92 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.011 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 0.36 %. All the districts have been categorized as 'Safe' and there is no saline area in the State. As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has marginally increased from 3.025 bcm to 3.19 bcm. There is no significant change in the current annual ground water extraction.

# **7.3 ASSAM**

The State is underlain mainly by unconsolidated Quaternary formation in Brahmaputra valley and potential aquifers lie at shallow as well as deeper zone. The semi-consolidated Tertiary formations are found to occur in the southern part of Karbi Anglong, Cachar, Karimganj and Hailakandi districts and in Upper Assam covering southern fringe of Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Sibsagar, Jorhat, Golaghat districts.The consolidated Precambrian rocks occur mainly in N.C. Hills, Karbi-Anglong, Kamrup, Goalpara, Dhubri, and Nagaon.

Ground water resources have been assessed district-wise due to paucity of block wise data. The Total Annual Groundwater Recharge of the State has been estimated as 27.05 bcm and Annual Extractable Groundwater Resources is 21.97 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses is 2.58 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 11.73 %. All the 28 assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe' and there is no saline area in the state.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge for the State has decreased from 28.67 bcm in 2017 to 27.05 bcm in 2020, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources decreased from 24.26 bcm in 2017 to 21.97 bcm in 2020 and Total Ground Water Extraction decreased from 2.73 bcm in 2017 to 2.58 bcm in 2020. These changes can be attributed due to refinement of data. Stage of Ground Water Extraction increases from 11.25 % to 11.73 % due to decrease in annual extractable resource.

## **7.4 BIHAR**

The State is covered with Gangetic alluvium in more than 89 % of its geographical area. The consolidated formations occupy fringes in the southern parts of the state. Dug wells and shallow tube wells tapping the phreatic zone are the common ground water abstraction structures. The assessment of dynamic ground water resources has been carried out in 534 blocks of the State. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been worked out as 28.05 bcm with the Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 25.46 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses has been estimated as 13.02 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction of the State is 51.14 %.

Out of the total 534 assessment units (blocks), 7 units (1.31 %) are 'Over-exploited', 5 units (0.94 %) are 'Critical', 51 units (9.55 %) are 'Semi-Critical', 471 units (88.2 %) units are 'Safe' category. There is no 'Saline' block in the State. Similarly out of 90348.70 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 1086.47 sq km (1.2 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 613.97 sq km (0.68 %) under 'Critical', 7108.13 sq km (7.87 %) under 'Semi-critical', 81540.12 sq km (90.25 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 25455.91 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 306.51 mcm (1.2 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 171.72 mcm (0.67 %) under 'Critical', 2206.13 mcm (8.67 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 22771.55 mcm (89.45 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources for the State have decreased from 31.41 to 28.05 bcm and 28.99 to 25.46 bcm respectively. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 13.26 to 13.02 bcm. The changes in the parameters are due to reduction in rainfall recharge. Recharge from surface water bodies and applied surface water irrigation increased due to Jal Jeevan Hariyali Mission (By Govt. of Bihar) in which tanks & water bodies have been revived and renovated.

## **7.5 CHHATTISGARH**

The State is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. 87% area of the State is underlain by hard rock and the ground water in these areas is being tapped mostly by dug wells constructed in the weathered zone and bore wells tapping the deeper aquifers. The yield of open (dug) wells varies from 1 to 2 lps and the yield of the bore wells ranges from < 1 to 5 lps. About 13 % area of the State is occupied by Semi-consolidated sedimentary rocks where Dug wells & tube wells have yield range of 1 to 10 lps.

The assessment of ground water resources has been carried out block-wise. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 12.65 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource is 11.55 bcm. The Total Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 5.35 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 46.34 %.

Out of 146 assessment units (blocks), 9 units (6.16 %) as 'Critical', 27 units (18.49 %) have been categorized as 'Semi-critical' and 110 units (75.34 %) as 'Safe' categories of assessment units. There are no 'Over-exploited' and 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of 106078.71 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 6297.20 sq km (5.94 %) area are under 'Critical', 16034.59 sq km (15.12 %) under 'Semi-critical', 83746.92 sq km (78.95 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 11547.65 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 947.66 mcm (8.21 %) under 'Critical', 2232.5 mcm (19.33 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 8367.5 mcm (72.46 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

In Chhattisgarh, the ground water development concentrates in the central part of the state (Chhattisgarh basin) more as compared to the other parts of the State. Therefore, most of the 'Semicritical' and 'Critical' blocks are falling in the central part of the State. As compared to 2017 assessment, there is increase in the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge from 11.57 to 12.65 bcm, while there is an increase in ground water extraction from 4.70 to 5.35 bcm. Stage of ground water extraction has changed from 44.43 % to 46.34 %. Increase in Rainfall Recharge and return flow from ground water irrigation resulted in the increase of Annual Ground Water Recharge and increase in number of irrigation wells resulted in the increase of total extraction.

# **7.6 DELHI**

The State is covered by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. As much as 89% of the State is occupied by alluvium and ground water is being tapped mostly through tube wells. Yields of tube wells vary from 4 to 10 lps in older alluvial deposits and from 25 to 55 lps in newer alluvium. About 11 % of the State is occupied by quartzitic hard rock where bore wells have yield of 0.6 to 5 lps.

The ground water resources assessment has been carried out tehsil-wise. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 0.32 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 0.29 bcm. The Total Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.29 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 101.4 %.

Out of 34 assessment units (tehsils), 17 units (50 %) have been categorized as 'Over-exploited', 7 units (20.59 %) as 'Critical', 7 units (20.59 %) as 'Semi-critical', and 3 units (8.82 %) as 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Similarly out of 1487.61 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 769.58 sq km (51.73 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 348.81 sq km (23.45 %) under 'Critical', 222.06 sq km (14.93 %) under 'Semi-critical', 147.16 sq km (9.89 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 286.31 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 129.01 mcm (45.06 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 72.36 mcm (25.27 %) under 'Critical', 52.5 mcm (18.34 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 32.44 mcm (11.33 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has almost remained same and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources decreased marginally from 0.30 bcm to 0.29 bcm. There is a decrease in the Annual Ground Water Extraction for the state from 0.36 bcm to 0.29 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 119.61 % to 101 %. The State is over-exploited in terms of ground water extraction.

The decrease in the groundwater extraction can be attributed to refinement in database and reduction in number of extraction wells due to vigilant regulation by State agency and increased piped water supply by Delhi Jal Board in many areas of NCT Delhi which led to reduced dependency on ground water.

## **7.7 GOA**

Major part of Goa State is covered by consolidated formations of Dharwar Super Group. Ground water occurs under unconfined to semi-confined conditions in beach sands, laterites and weathered and fractured crystalline rocks. The development of ground water from phreatic zone is mostly through dug wells and shallow bore wells. The Ground Water Resources has been assessed talukwise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been assessed as 0.402 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 0.322 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.076 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 23.48 %. All 12 taluks in the State have been categorized as 'Safe'.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has increased due to increase in recharge from other sources. The Annual Ground Water Extraction have marginally increased. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 33.5 % to 23.48 %.

## **7.8 GUJARAT**

The State is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. As much as 60% of the State is underlain by hard rock and rest by soft rock/alluvium formations. In hard rock areas, the ground water is tapped mostly through dug wells constructed in the weathered zone. Dug cum bore wells and deep bore wells are common for irrigation. In alluvium/ soft rock areas, deep tube wells are common for both irrigation and domestic usage. The yield of open (dug) wells varies from 2 to 10  $m<sup>3</sup>/day$ , whereas that of tube wells ranges from less than 10 to 100  $\text{m}^3$ /day. The assessment of groundwater resources has been carried out Taluka-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 26.8 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 24.86 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has been assessed as 13.3 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction as 53.5 %.

Out of 248 assessment units (taluks), 25 units (10.08 %) have been categorized as 'Over- exploited', 4 units (1.61 %) as 'Critical', 24 units (9.68 %) as 'Semi-critical', 182 units (73.39 %) as 'Safe' and there are 13 units (5.24 %) as 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Similarly out of 158589.64 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 20603.36 sq km (12.99 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 2603.39 sq km (1.64 %) under 'Critical', 14848.27 sq km (9.36 %) under 'Semi-critical', 111108.94 sq km (70.06 %) under 'Safe' and 9425.69 sq km (5.94 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 24905.26 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 2051.83 mcm (8.24 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 493.4 mcm (1.98 %) under 'Critical', 2564.8 mcm (10.3 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 19795.23 mcm (79.48 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has increased from 22.37 bcm to 26.8 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource has increased from 21.25 to 24.91 bcm. The increase in recharge can be attributed to recharge from surface water irrigation through Narmada canal. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 13.58 to 13.3 bcm. As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources have increased significantly and the Annual Ground Water Extraction marginally decresed. Hence, the Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 63.89 % to 53.39 %.

#### **7.9 HARYANA**

Haryana State is mainly occupied by the alluvial deposits, which cover around 98 % of the State while hardrock covers around 2 %. Alluvial deposits are of Older and Newer types and consist chiefly of clay, silt and fine to medium sand. Other deposits are piedmont deposits, which are confined to a narrow zone, about 2 to 4 km wide, between Siwalik Hills and Alluvial Plains. Sand-dunes are found in the districts of Bhiwani, Mahendragarh, Hissar and Sirsa. Coarse sand, gravels and boulders are found to occur in piedmont areas and in the adjacent alluvial tracts. The hard rock formations belong to the formation of Delhi systems of Pre- Cambrian age and occupy the southern part of the state,while Shivalik system of Tertiary age are occupying the northern most part of the state.

Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 9.53 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource is 8.63 bcm. The Total Current Annual Ground Water extraction is 11.61 bcm and Stage of Ground Water extraction is 134.56 %.

Out of total 141 assessment units (blocks), 85 units (60.28 %) have been categorized as 'Overexploited', 12 units (8.51 %) as 'Critical', 14 units (9.93 %) as 'Semi Critical' and 30 units (21.28 %) as 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Similarly out of 40391.12 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 25035.10 sq km (61.98 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 2593.95 sq km (6.42 %) under 'Critical', 5203.35 sq km (12.88 %) under 'Semi-critical', 7558.72 sq km (18.71 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 8629.78 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 5568.92 mcm (64.53 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 621.32 mcm (7.2 %) under 'Critical', 983.94 mcm (11.4 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 1455.59 mcm (16.87 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge have decreased from 10.15 to 9.53 bcm in 2020, Annual Extractable Resources have decreased from 9.13 to 8.63 bcm and the Annual Ground Water Extraction from 12.5 to 11.61 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 137 % to 135 %. The reduction in draft is due to reduction in yield of wells.

#### **7.10 HIMACHAL PRADESH**

The diverse physiographic, climatic, topographic and geologic conditions have given rise to diversified groundwater situation in different parts of the state. The rock formations ranging in age from Archean to Recent occupy the State and control the occurrence and movement of ground water depending upon aquifer composition, structure and deposition. Hilly and mountainous parts with steep slopes mainly constitute the run off areas and have low ground water potential. In valley and low-lying areas, unconsolidated / semi-consolidated formations form potential aquifers.

In consolidated formations the water availability is restricted to weathered mantle, joints/fractures, weak planes, bedding planes and limestone caverns. The limestone associated with phyllite and quartzite forms potential aquifers. In granites, potentiality of the aquifer is highly dependable on the fracture intensity. In granitic aquifers the discharge ranges between 1-3 lps. Ground water in hard rock areas is either developed though bore wells or natural springs are tapped for both drinking and irrigation purposes.

In the unconsolidated formations the occurrence and movement of ground water is highly dependent on lithology particularly the presence of clay content. The unconsolidated formations are confined to valley areas, having good yield prospects that can sustain moderate to high capacity deep tube wells. The yield of the tube wells depends on the thickness of the total granular zones available within the aquifers tapped which ranges from 5-40 lps in different valleys. The Ground water resources have been assessed valley-wise.

Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 1.07 bcm and Annual Extractable Groundwater Resources is 0.97 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses is 0.357 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 36.83 %. Out of the 10 assessment units, all the ten assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe' and there is no saline assessment unit in the State.

As compared to 2017 assessment, there is significant change in the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water resources. However, the Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 0.39 to 0.36 bcm in 2020. This is due to refinement in the number of abstraction structures as per well census data and revision in assessment unit boundaries as per slope map and hydrogeological conditions. Hence, Stage of extraction has changed significantly.

# **7.11 JHARKHAND**

The State is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages ranging from Archaean to Recent. The major rock types are igneous and metamorphic rocks covering nearly 85 percent of the geographical area of the state. The weathered zone ranging between 10-25 m acts as a good repository of ground water. However, the secondary porosities below the weathered zones also form potential aquifers. The yield of the exploratory wells ranges from negligible to  $151m<sup>3</sup>/hr$ . The yield of the dugwells ranges from 0.5 to 0.75 $\text{m}^3$ /hr. The dug wells tapping the weathered mantle have an average yield of 0.5 to 1.2  $m^3$ /hr. In Gondwana Super group, bore well discharge ranges between 7 to 10m<sup>3</sup>/hr and in Tertiary formations, yield ranges from 18 to 78 m<sup>3</sup>/hr. The Younger Alluvium deposits are confined to patches.The depth of dug wells in general ranges between 10 to 15m bgl and that of shallow tube wells varies between 20 to 40mbgl.

Ground Water Resource of the State has been assessed block-wise. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 6.15 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 5.64 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 1.64 bcm and Stage of Extraction is 29.13 %.

Out of 259 assessment units (blocks), 3 units (1.16 %) have been categorized as 'Over-exploited', 2 units (0.77 %) as 'Critical', 10 units (3.86 %) as 'Semi-critical' and rest 244 units (94.21 %) are under 'Safe' category and there is no saline assessment unit in the State. Similarly out of 60452.52 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 425.21 sq km (0.7 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 316.92 sq km (0.52 %) under 'Critical', 2409.95 sq km (3.99 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 57300.44 sq km (94.79 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 5644.32 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 48.7 mcm (0.86 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 41.1 mcm (0.73 %) under 'Critical', 284.98 mcm (5.05 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 5269.54 mcm (93.36 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources have decreased from 6.21 to 6.15 bcm and 5.69 to 5.64 bcm respectively. The Annual Ground Water Extraction for the State has increased from 1.58 to 1.64 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction has increased from 27.73 % to 29.13 %. The increase in stage of extraction is due to urbanisation and industrialization, while the changes in the parameters can be attributed to marginal decrease in recharge.

# **7.12 KARNATAKA**

Karnataka State is underlain by rock types ranging in age from Archaean to Recent. Major portion of the State is covered by Peninsular Gneisses, Granites and Dharwar Schists of Archaean age.Substantial area in the northern part of Karnataka is underlain by basalts, which form a continuation of the Deccan Traps occurring in Maharashtra. The sedimentaries comprising Bhima and Kaladgis occupy a small area in the northern districts. The recent alluvium is restricted to a narrow belt in the coastal area and along streamcourses.

The aquifer systems are classified into nine major groups depending upon their characteristics and are Banded Gneissic Complex (BGC), Basalt, Schists, Granites, Charnockites, Limestones, Laterites, Sandstones andalluvium.

The Annual Ground Water Recharge has been assessed as 18.15 bcm and the Annual Extractable Ground Water resource is 16.4 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 10.64 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 64.85 %.

Out of the 227 assessment units (taluks), 52 units (29.91 %) have been categorized as 'Over exploited', 10 units (4.41 %) as 'Critical', 35 units (15.42 %) as 'Semi critical' and 130 units (57.27 %) have been categorized as 'Safe'. There is no taluk under "Saline" category. Similarly out of 164340.79 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 39262.92 sq km (23.89 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 8287.16 sq km (5.04 %) under 'Critical', 23867.47 sq km (14.52 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 92923.24 sq km (56.54 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 16395 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 3185.03 mcm (19.43 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 778.99 mcm (4.75 %) under 'Critical', 2313.09 mcm (14.11 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 10118.72 mcm (61.72 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, there is increase in Annual Ground Water Recharge from 16.84 bcm to 18.16 bcm, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources from 14.79 bcm to 16.4 bcm. This is mainly due to increase in recharge from 'Other sources'. There is marginal increase in the Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses from 10.34 to 10.63 bcm during this period. Hence overall, the Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 70 % to 64.85 %.

# **7.13 KERALA**

The State of Kerala is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. Nearly, 88% of the State is underlain by crystalline rocks of Archaean age comprising Schistose formations, Charnockites, Khondalites and Gneisses. All these formations are intruded by dykes of younger age. The sedimentary formations of Tertiary age occurring along the western parts of the State comprise four distinct beds viz. Alleppey, Vaikom, Quilon and Warkali. The crystalline and the Tertiary formations are lateritized along the midland area. Yields of open (dug) wells in these areas vary from 2 to 10  $\text{m}^3$ /day, whereas that of bore wells ranges from less than 1 to 35 lps. About 12% of the State is underlain by Semi-consolidated and unconsolidated sedimentary formations where dug wells and filter points have yields of 1 to 35  $m<sup>3</sup>/day$ , whereas

deep tube wells have yields in the range of 1 to 57 lps. Laterites, which cover most of the geological formations in the major part of the state also forms an important aquifer in the state with dug wells having yields in the range of 0.5 to 6  $\mathrm{m}^3$ /day.

The ground water resources for the state have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been estimated as 5.65 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource is 5.12 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 2.65 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 51.68 **%**.

Out of total 152 assessment units (blocks), 3 units (1.97 %) have been categorized as 'Critical', 29 units (19.08 %) as 'Semi-Critical' and 120 units (78.95 %) as 'Safe' categories of assessment units. There is no 'Over- exploited' and 'Saline' assessment unit in the State. Similarly out of 27047.54 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 777.38 sq km (2.87 %) area are under 'Critical', 4325.19 sq km (15.99 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 21944.97 sq km (81.13 %) area are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 5119.58 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 136.45 mcm (2.67 %) are under 'Critical', 801.49 mcm (15.66 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 4181.63 mcm (81.68 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has decreased from 5.77 to 5.65 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources from 5.21 to 5.12 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 2.67 to 2.65 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction has increased from 51.27 % to 51.68 %. The change in precipitation, consequent water level fluctuation and deeper water levels are reasons for marginal reduction in the recharge figures. The number of Semi-critical blocks has decreased from 30 to 29. Chittur block has improved from 'Over-Exploited' to 'Critical' Category due to additional recharge from rainfall and other sources (water conservation structures). Two Semi- critical blocks i.e Parakkadavu and Elamdesom has improved to 'Safe' Category mainly due to increase from water conservation structures.

# **7.14 MADHYA PRADESH**

The State of Madhya Pradesh has varied hydrogeological characteristics due to which ground water potential differs from place to place. The State is underlain by various Geological formations ranging in age from the Archaean to the Recent. Hard rock areas cover more than 80% of total land area of the State. These hard-rock areas show wide variations and complexities in nature and composition of rocks, geological structures, geomorphological set up and hydro meteorological conditions. The crystalline rocks of Archaean age like granite, gneiss, granulites, schist, quartzite and granitoids occupy about 15% of geographical area of the State. The basaltic rocks of Deccan lava flows are the predominant formations and occupy nearly 45% of total geographical area. The consolidated sedimentary rocks of Vindhyan Super Group and Mahakoshal (Cuddapah) Super Group of Proterozoic age occupy about 19% of total geographical area and the semi consolidated (Gondwana Formation) occupies about 7%. Recent unconsolidated alluvial sediments occupy about 14% of total geographical area.

Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 36.16 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 33.38 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 18.97 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 56.82 %.

Out of 317 assessment units (blocks), 26 units (8.21 %) has been categorized as 'Over Exploited', 8 units (2.52 %) as 'Critical', 50 units (15.77 %) as 'Semi-Critical' and 233 units (73.5 %) as 'Safe' categories of assessment units and there are no saline assessment unit. Similarly out of 272180.45 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 22194.29 sq km (8.15 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 6078.98 sq km (2.23 %) under 'Critical', 42776.12 sq km (15.72 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 201131.06 sq km (73.90 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 33380.40 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 3349.83 mcm (10.04 %) are under 'Overexploited', 754.83 mcm (2.26 %) under 'Critical', 5021.66 mcm (15.04 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 24254.07 mcm (72.66 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, there is a marginal decrease in the recharge and increase in the ground water extraction. The revision of well census data and population can be attributed to the increase in ground water extraction, while the changes in the parameters can be attributed to marginal decrease in recharge.

# **7.15 MAHARASTRA**

The State is underlain by diverse rock types of different geological ages from Pre-Cambrian to Recent. The state is mostly covered by Deccan Traps. The other geological formations, older and younger than Deccan Traps, occur in the northeast and as isolated patches in the Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri districts. Large part of the State is underlain by Basaltic hard rocks where dug wells are predominant. They mostly tap the weathered zone and fractures/joints. The yield of dug wells varies from 3 to 5 lps. A small part of the State is occupied by Semi- consolidated sedimentary rocks where tubewells have an yield of 5 to 45 lps. The central part of Maharashtra which is a drought prone area, receives very less rainfall i.e. from 400 to 700 mm, but the geology is favourable for the ground water recharge. Hence, in this area the dependency on groundwater is very high. Two-third of irrigation wells are from this area only. This primarily includes parts from Dhule, Nashik, Jalgaon, Ahmednagar, Pune, Satara, Sangli, Solapur, Osmanabad, Beed and Aurangabad districts.

The Ground water resources have been assessed for 1535 watersheds in the state and subsequently apportioned to taluk level. Total Annual Ground water Recharge of the State has been estimated as 32.01 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 30.25 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 16.63 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 54.9 %.

Out of 353 assessment units (taluks), 10 units (2.83 %) have been categorized as 'Over-exploited', 8 units (2.27 %) as 'Critical', 63 units (17.85 %) as 'Semi-critical' and remaining 271 units (76.77 %) as 'Safe' and 1 unit (0.28 %) as 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Similarly out of 259553.28 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 7672.81 sq km (2.96 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 8219.37 sq km (3.17 %) under 'Critical', 61590.57 sq km (23.73 %) under 'Semi-critical', 181293.63 sq km (69.85 %) under 'Safe' and 776.89 sq km (0.03 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 30250.45 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 889.25 mcm (2.94 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 950.09 mcm (3.14 %) under 'Critical', 6741 mcm (22.28 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 21670.11 mcm (71.64 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Annual Ground Water Recharge in 2020 has increased from 31.64 to 32.01 bcm, Annual Extractable Ground Water Recharge from 29.9 to 30.25 bcm and Annual Ground Water Extraction from 16.33 to 16.63 bcm. There is a marginal increase in the Stage of Ground Water Extraction from 54.62 % to 54.9 %. The marginal increase in recharge due to the State government intervention of water conservation activities and the marginal increase in draft/extraction is due to revision of well census data on the basis of functional wells.

#### **7.16 MANIPUR**

The State of Manipur is occupied by mostly North South parallel hill ranges made up of consolidated and semi-consolidated rocks ranging in age from pre-Mesozoic to Miocene. The consolidated rocks confined to the eastern part of the state along the Myanmar border. The semi-consolidated formations, which cover almost the entire state, comprise shale, siltstone, sandstone and conglomerate. These formations belong to Disang, Barail, Surma and Tipam group of rocks. In the western and central part of the State, unconsolidated alluvium of quaternary age occurs in the valleys and topographical lows. Ground water is restricted to secondary porosity in joints, fissures, fractures and weathered residuum of consolidated and semi-consolidated rocks and inter-granular pore spaces of alluvial deposits. In the valley, ground water is utilized through tube wells, tapping granular zones with 10 to 20 m thickness, and the yield of the tube well varies from 10 to 30 m<sup>3</sup>/hr.

The Ground water resources for the state have been assessed district-wise due to paucity of block wise data. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 0.51 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 0.46 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.024 bcm and Stage of Ground Water extraction is 5.12 %. All the districts have been categorized as 'Safe' and there is no saline area in the state. The comparison with previous assessment shows there is increase in the total ground water recharge from 0.43 bcm in 2017 to 0.51 bcm in 2020 while annual extractable resource has increased from 0.39 bcm in 2017 to 0.46 bcm in 2020. This increase can be attributed to refinement of data. Increase in ground water extraction from 0.006 bcm in 2017 to 0.024 bcm in 2020 is due to estimation of domestic extraction using Consumptive method.

## **7.17 MEGHALAYA**

The Meghalaya State is essentially occupied by hard rocks belonging to the Archean gneissic complex with acidic and basic intrusives and Precambrian Shillong Group of para metamorphites. Ground water occurs under unconfined condition in the weathered residuum and fractured rocks and restricted to about 150 m depth. The development of ground water is mostly by dug wells which are restricted to the weathered zone and through bore wells including hand pumps which mainly tap the semi-weathered and fractured zones in the hard rock. The south-western, southern and south-eastern parts of the state is covered by semi- consolidated formations comprising sandstones, shales, conglomerates, limestones etc. belonging to Cretaceous – Tertiary age. The aquifers are formed by rock strata that are granular/porous, fissured/fractured or cavernous. These aquifers are thick and discontinuous in nature. The unconsolidated sediments comprising sand, gravel, silt, clay, etc. are found to occur as thin veneer along rivulets and as valley-fills.

The Ground water resources have been assessed district-wise due to paucity of block wise/ watershed wise data. Ground water resources of Greater Shillong (State capital) have been assessed separately. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 2.04 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 1.82 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.077 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 4.22 %. All the 12 assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe'.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources have increased from 1.83 to 2.04 bcm and 1.64 to 1.8195 bcm respectively. The reasons can be attributed to changes in rainfall. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has also increased from 0.04 to 0.077 bcm due to refinement in data. Stage of ground water extraction has consequently increased from 2.28 % to 4.22 %.

# **7.18 MIZORAM**

The State is occupied mainly by the rocks of the Tertiary formation ranging in age from Oligocene to Miocene to Recent. The Barail form the lowermost rock units comprising siltstone and bands of soft and hard fine grained sandstone with strings of carbonaceous material and occur in the north eastern part of the state. The Surma is divided into two formations, Bhuban and Bokabil. The Bhuban is made up of grey sandstone and shale and occupies the major part of the State all along the length of the state. The Bokabil, predominantly argillaceous, mostly occurs along the western part of the State. The Tipam sandstone is of semi- consolidated nature comprising medium to coarse grained sandstone with subordinate shale and occurs in limited extent in the north western part of the state. The alluvial deposits comprising silt, clay and sands occur in the valley fill area with very limited thickness. Ground water is confined only to valley filled areas and secondary porosities of semi-consolidated rocks. These aquifers are the main source for springs. Ground water stored in the hill slopes emanates in the form of springs, which are being used as a source for water supply. In the valley area, the yield potential of tube wells within the depth range of 200 m tapping Tertiary sandstone ranges from 120 to 330 liters per minute for drawdown of 13 to 20m. The transmissivity and Storativity are to the tune of 11 to 46  $\text{m}^2$ /day and 4.28 x 10<sup>-4</sup> respectively.

The ground water resources for the state have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been assessed as 0.222 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource is 0.200 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.008 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 3.81 %. All the 26 assessed blocks have been categorized as 'Safe'. There are no saline areas in the state. As compared to 2017 assessment, there is no change in annual ground water recharge, ground water extraction or in stage of ground water extraction.

# **7.19 NAGALAND**

The State is covered by rocks ranging in age from Pre-Cretaceous to Recent. The rock sequences comprise the geosynclinals facies, represented by Disang Group, Barail Group, Surma Group, Tipam Group, Namsang formation and Dihing Group. While the Disang and Surma Group of rocks are mainly argillaceous, the Barail and Tipam groups are arenacious. The Girujan clay formation overlying the Tipam sandstones is characterized by typical blue, mottled clay and argillaceous sandstone beds. Older rocks occupy southern parts of the State, where as younger rocks are exposed in the northern parts. The unconsolidated alluvial plains, comprising clay, sand pebble, cobble and boulder assemblages, occupy the narrow, intermountain and open valleys in the northern part of the state bordering upper reaches of Brahmaputra flood plains of Assam. The consolidated formations are confined to the south eastern part of the State along the Burma (Myanmar) border.

Ground water development potentiality in valley fill and alluvial deposits are restricted to construction of open wells having depth of 15 to 20 metres and deep tube well down to 100 m

depth which yield to the tune of 10 to 45  $\text{m}^3$ /day with more than 5 m drawdown. Water bearing formations pertaining to Tertiary deposits are found to have moderate potentials which can sustain deep tube wells having yield prospects varying from 10 to 20  $\text{m}^3/\text{hr}$ . The valleys underlain by Tipam sandstones form good aquifers with yield prospects varying from 30 to 80  $\text{m}^3/\text{hr}$ . In the consolidated formations, ground water abstraction structures can be constructed in structurally weak zones. Ground water emerges as perennial springs which are the main source of water supply for domestic needs in the state.

The ground water resources for the state have been assessed district-wise due to paucity of blockwise data. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 2.17 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 1.95 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.021 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 1.04 %. All the 11 districts have been categorized as 'Safe'. There is no saline area in the state. As compared to 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has marginally decreased from 2.20 bcm to 2.17 bcm and similarly, the Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource has decreased from 1.98 bcm to 1.95 bcm and there is no significant change in annual ground water extraction.

# **7.20 ODISHA**

The State is underlain by diverse rock types, which range in age from Precambrian to Cenozoic era. The Precambrians occupy nearly 80 % of the total geographical area of the State. The Tertiary and the Quaternary Alluvial formations are restricted mainly to the narrow coastal tracts. The Gondwana group of rocks belonging to Paleozoic and Mesozoic era occurs in isolated patches in different parts of the State. These formations occur in Talcher area of Angul district and in river valley area of Sambalpur and Sundargarh districts. Ground water abstraction in the state is mostly done by dug wells constructed in the weathered zone in hard rock areas and in shallow phreatic aquifers in alluvial areas. The yield of open (dug) wells varies from 1 to 5 lps. However, at present, bore wells, shallow to medium deep tube wells, filter point tube wells are also in use for ground water abstraction both for domestic and irrigational purpose. The yield of bore wells varies from 2 to 5 lps in general depending on the occurrence of saturated fractures at depths. The yield from shallow and medium deep tube wells may vary from 6 to 10 lps in general depending on the aquifer disposition.

The Ground water resources in the state have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 17.08 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 15.7 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 6.86 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 43.7 %.

Out of the total of 314 assessment units (blocks), 6 units (1.91 %) have been categorized as 'Semicritical', 302 units (96.18 %) as 'Safe' and 6 units (1.91 %) as 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Similarly out of 121593.15 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 2263.09 sq km (1.86 %) area are under 'Semi-critical', 117148.73 sq km (96.34 %) under 'Safe' and 2181.33 sq km (1.79 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 15712.93 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 369.93 mcm (2.35 %) are under 'Semi-critical' and 15343.01 mcm (97.65 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, there is an increase in Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources; also there is an increase in Annual Ground Water Extraction. The stage of ground water extraction has increased to 43.7 % in 2020 as compared to 42.18 % in 2017.

# **7.21 PUNJAB**

Punjab is one of the smallest states of India having 3 perennial rivers namely Sutlej, Beas and Ravi and one non- perennial river Ghaggar. The Punjab State is a flat alluvial plain having a thin belt of mountains along north eastern border and stable sand dunes are seen dotting the landscape in the south western parts. The alluvial deposits in the State comprise sand, silt and clays often mixed with kankar. Sandy zones of varying grade constitute abundant ground water resources & act as a reservoir. The alluvial plain towards the hills is bordered by the piedmont deposits comprising Kandi and Sirowal. Immediately south-west of the hills, Kandi belt is 10 to 15 km wide followed by Sirowal which imperceptibly merges with the alluvial plain. Kandi deposit explored up to 450 m depth show gradation from boulders to clays and at places an admixture of various grades in different proportions. The Sirowal deposit is essentially composed of finer sediments but occasional gravel beds are also encountered in them.

The ground water resources for the state have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 22.80 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 20.59 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 33.85 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 164.42 %.

Out of the 150 assessment units (blocks), 117 units (78 %) have been categorized as 'Overexploited', 6 units (4 %) as 'Critical', 10 units (6.67 %) as 'Semi-Critical', and 17 units (11.33 %) as 'Safe'. Similarly out of 49264.76 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 38418.08 sq km (77.98 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 1906.17 sq km (3.87 %) under 'Critical', 2392.74 sq km (4.86 %) under 'Semi-critical', 6547.77 sq km (13.29 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 20590.1 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 16263.23 mcm (78.99 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 980.13 mcm (4.76 %) under 'Critical', 827.95 mcm (4.02 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 2518.79 mcm (12.23 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 estimates, the Annual Ground Water Recharge has decreased from 23.93 to 22.80 bcm and similarly, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource decreased from 21.58 to 20.59 bcm and total current annual ground water extraction decreased from 35.78 to 33.85 bcm. The stage of ground water extraction has decreased from 165.77 to 164.42 %. The reduction in recharge is due to less rainfall, lining of unlined canals and decreased extraction is due to decrease in area of paddy cultivation from 29.3 lakh hectares to 26.3 lakh hectares.

# **7.22 RAJASTHAN**

The State of Rajasthan has diversified geology,ranging from Archean metamorphic to recent alluvial sediments. Based upon geological diversities, geomorphological setup and ground water potentialities, the state of Rajasthan can be divided into three broad hydrogeological units. (i) Unconsolidated formation (ii) Semi-consolidated formation (iii) Consolidated (Fissured formation). Large part of the State is underlain by Quaternary sediments (Thar Desert) consisting of clay, silt, sand and gravel of various grades. The fine sand and clay with or without Kankar layers have formed

multi layered aquifer system. Exploratory drilling data reveals that the yield vary from meagre to 10m $3/$ day, transmissivity ranges between 80 to 300 m $^2$ /day and storage co-efficient vary from 1.1x 10<sup>-5</sup>to 3.9x10<sup>-6</sup>in the state. Sandstone belonging to the Vindhyan formation is compact in nature and has low primary porosity. Ground Water occurs within the weathered residue and in the secondary porosity underneath. In general, the thickness varies from 5to10m. Yield potential is limited due to compact nature of the formation. The limestone is also having low ground water potential. The yields of dug wells vary from 0.25 to 0.75m<sup>3</sup>/day. The yield of the wells drilled in Vindhayan formation has been observed to be 15m3/day, tapping fractures between 50-75mbgl. In consolidated formation (Fissured) the thickness of the weathered zone varies from5 to 50m.Ground Water occurs under unconfined condition within the weathered zone. The results of the exploratory drilling carried out by CGWB in hardrock are as indicate presence of productive fractures down to a depth of 100m and yield varies from 3 to 15 $\mathrm{m}^3$ /day, whereas transmissivity varies from 3 to 30  $m^2$ /day.

The Ground water resources for the state have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground water Rechargeof the State has been assessed as 12.24 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 11.07 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 16.63 bcm and the Stage of ground water extraction in the state is 150.2 %.

Out of the 295 assessment units (blocks), 203 units (68.81 %) have been categorized as 'Over Exploited', 23 units (7.8 %) as 'Critical', 29 units (9.83 %) as 'Semi-Critical', 37 units (12.54 %) blocks as 'Safe' and 3 units (1.02 %) as 'Saline'. Similarly out of 290721.07 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 188661.64 sq km (64.89 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 18905.87 sq km (6.5 %) under 'Critical', 27405.92 sq km (9.43 %) under 'Semi-critical', 46811.75 sq km (16.1 %) under 'Safe' and 8935.89 sq km (3.07 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 11073.63 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 7780.42 mcm (70.26 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 706.85 mcm (6.38 %) under 'Critical', 1441.41 mcm (13.02 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 1144.95 mcm (10.34 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, the Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource have decreased from 13.2 to 12.24 bcm and 11.99 to 11.07 bcm respectively. Annual ground water extraction has decreaded from 16.77 bcm to 16.63 bcm. And the stage of ground water extraction has increased from 139.88 % to 150.2 %. The change in Annual Ground Water recharge is because of change in rainfall data for recharge. The marginal change in annual ground water extraction is due to revision of well census data and change in irrigated land area.

# **7.23 SIKKIM**

Sikkim is a small mountainous State characterized by rugged undulating topography with series of ridges and valleys. The various rock types prevalent in the state are Pelitic Carbonate rocks and Gondwanas over a gneissic basement and occasional Colluvials and valley fill deposits, as well as alluvial terrains along higher order streams and river courses. The formations reveal an intense tectonic-structurally complex deformational history. Ground water occurs largely in disconnected localized pockets and in deeper fractures zones. Springs are the main source and conduits of water.

The ground water resource assessment (in 2020) for the State of Sikkim has been carried out as per GEC 2015 guidelines through 'IN-GRES', with Districts as primary assessment units. The Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been estimated at 0.96 bcm and the Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource has been estimated at 0.86 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses has been estimated at 0.007 bcm, which translates into a Stage of Ground Water Extraction at 0.86 %, and as per the present assessment all the four assessment units (Four Districts – East, North, South & West) are in 'SAFE' category.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource reduced from 1.52 bcm to 0.8645 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction from all sources though marginally increased from 0.000874 bcm to 0.007431 bcm. As a result, the Stage of Ground Water Extraction marginally increased from 0.057 % to 0.86 %.

Decrease in annual rainfall resulted in minor decrease in recharge, which is reflected in marginal decrease in Annual Extractable Resource. The marginal increase in Annual Ground Water Extraction is attributed to the growth of industries in the districts, utilizing ground water for industrial use, resulting in marginal increase in the Stage of Ground Water Extraction.

# **7.24 TAMIL NADU**

Tamil Nadu state is underlain by diverse hydrogeological formations. Nearly 73 % of the state is occupied by hard rocks, semi-consolidated and consolidated formations which are mainly confined to the eastern part including the coastal tract. In the hard rock areas, groundwater is developed through dug wells tapping the weathered zone and dug cum bore wells and bore wells tap the deeper fractures down to a depth of 300 m. In semi consolidated and unconsolidated formation, shallow zones are tapped by filter points and shallow tube wells and deeper zones through deeper tube wells. The yield of open wells vary from 1 to 3 lps, where as in dug wells tapping soft rocks including sedimentary formations, the yield is up to 10 lps. The yield from unconsolidated and semi consolidated formations are in general 10 to 20 lps and also as high as 40 lps are also noticed at select places.

The ground water resources for the State have been assessed firka-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 19.59 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water resources as 17.7 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 14.67 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction as 82.9 %.

Out of 1166 assessment units (firkas), 435 units (37.31 %) have been categorized as 'Over Exploited', 63 units (5.4 %) as 'Critical', 225 units (19.3 %) as 'Semi-Critical', 409 units (35.08 %) as 'Safe' and 34 units (2.92 %) have been categorized as 'Saline'. Similarly out of 108367.38 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 39907.51 sq km (36.83 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 6075.97 sq km (5.61 %) under 'Critical', 21409.28 sq km (19.76 %) under 'Semi-critical', 37852.37 sq km (34.93 %) under 'Safe' and 3122.25 sq km (2.88 %) area under 'Saline' categories of assessment units. Out of total 17690.07 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 5744.07 mcm (32.47 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 1050.93 mcm (5.94 %) under 'Critical', 3921.48 mcm (22.17 %) under 'Semicritical' and 6973.59 mcm (39.42 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has decreased from 20.22 to 19.59 bcm. The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources has decreased from 18.2 to 17.7 bcm and the annual ground water extraction has decreased from 14.73 to 14.67 bcm. Consequently, there is an increase in the stage of ground water extraction from 80.94 % to 82.42 %. The marginal reduction in recharge is due to changes in rainfall recharge and decreased extraction is due to revision of well census data.

#### **7.25 TELENGANA**

The State of Telangana shares its boundaries with Andhra Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Maharashtra and Karnataka. The state has 2 major rivers, the Godavari and the Krishna. The River Godavari with its tributaries Pranahita, Manjeera, Maneru, Indravati, and Kinnerasani drains through the northern parts of the State. The river flows through Adilabad, Karimnagar, Nizamabad, Medak, Warangal and Khammam districts. The River Krishna with its tributaries Tungabhadra, Bheema, Musi, Paleru and Munneru flows through the Southern parts of the State. It drains through Mahabubnagar, Ranga Reddy and Nalgonda districts.

Telangana state is characterized by wide range of geological formations from Archaean to Recent age. Nearly 85% of the state is underlain by hard rocks (consolidated formations) belonging to the Peninsular Gneissic Complex, Dharwar and Eastern Ghats of Archaean to Middle Proterozoic age, Pakhal Group of rocks belonging to Middle to Upper Proterozoic age and Deccan Traps.In hardrocks average well yields are around 50 to 125 lpm.The rest of the state is underlain by semi consolidated sediments formations encompassing Gondwanas, Tertiary group of formations and Sub-Recent to Recent unconsolidated sediments. In Kamthi sandstones, the tube-wells constructed down to 250mbgl and yield varies from 13 to 162 $m<sup>3</sup>/$ hour. Within the 200m depth range yield varies from 1.5 to 16.6lps for draw-down of 9 to 30m. Transmissivity of these aquifers varies between 28 and

950m<sup>2</sup>/day. The unconsolidated formations are represented by inland river alluvium. The alluvial aquifers have high porosity and permeability. Filter points are most common in this formation. Filter points drilled down to a depth of 10 to 15m bgl yield between 150 to1500lpm.

The Ground water resources for the state have been assessed watershed-wise and apportioned to mandal-wise. Total Annual Groundwater recharge of the State has been assessed as 16.63 bcm and Annual extractable Ground Water resource as 15.03 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 8.01 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 53.32 %.

Out of 589 assessment units (mandals), 44 units (7.47 %) have been categorized as 'Over Exploited', 44 units (7.47 %) as 'Critical', 180 units (30.56 %) as 'Semi-Critical' and 321 units (54.5 %) as 'Safe'. There is no 'Saline' category of assessment unit in the state. Similarly out of 105171.69 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 4062.07 sq km (3.86 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 6339.21 sq km (6.03 %) under 'Critical', 31428.83 sq km (29.88 %) under 'Semi-critical', 63341.58 sq km (60.23 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 15026.12 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 460.60 mcm (3.07 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 700.20 mcm (4.66 %) under 'Critical', 3461.87 mcm (23.04 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 10403.46 mcm (69.24 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has incresed from 13.62 to 16.63 bcm. This is mainly due increase in recharge from 'Other sources'. The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources has increased from 12.37 to 15.03 bcm. The Current Annual Groundwater Extraction for all uses has marginally decreased from 8.09 to 8.01 bcm. The overall Stage of Ground Water Extraction decreased from 65.45 to 53.32 %. This can be attributed to government interventions like water conservation activities under Mission Kakatiya, improvement in surface water irrigation and drinking water supply under Mission Bhagiratha etc.

# **7.26 TRIPURA**

The State of Tripura is occupied by the rocks ranging in age from Upper Tertiary to Quaternary. Mobile trough geosynclinal deposition of Barail group followed by flysch type of Surma & Tipam sediments, overlain by Dupitila formation, is noticed in the State. Most of the longitudinal synclinal valleys of the state are the basins of deposition of recent formation. Recent alluvium occurs along the streams and the flood plains of major rivers.

Ground water occurs under unconfined condition in Dupitila, Recent & Tipam formations. Besides, it also occurs under confined to semi-confined conditions in Tipam formation at considerable depth. Recharge areas for the deeper aquifer lies in the adjacent anticlinal hills. Wherever a good thickness of impermeable clay beds underlie & overlie the saturated granular zones, auto flow artesian conditions have been found in the valleys, which are the discharge area. The artesian flowing conditions occur in patches both at shallow depth and at deeper depth. The auto discharge of the flowing wells in the State ranges from 100 to 6000 lph, the maximum auto discharge from deep tube well to the extent of 54000 lph has been found in Khowai valley near Khowai town, where the piezometric head rose up to 7 m above ground level.

Ground water resources have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 1.47 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 1.24 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.099 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 7.94 %. All the 59 assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe'. As compared to 2017 assessment, there is no significant change in ground water recharge and ground water extraction in the State.

## **7.27 UTTAR PRADESH**

The State of Uttar Pradesh is categorized with five distinct hydrogeological units – Bhabar, Terai, Central Ganga Plains, Marginal Alluvial Plain, Southern Peninsular area. Bhabar is mainly the recharge zone having deeper water levels. Ground water extraction in phreatic aquifer is through hand pumps, dug wells, dug cum bore wells and shallow tube wells. The yield from these wells has been generally found to be in the range of 40 to 60 lps. Terai zone lies between Bhabar in the North and Central Ganga Plain in the South. It is characterized by fine grained sediments with occasional pebbles and boulders. The average yield of tube wells constructed in this zone varies from 30 to 60 lps with moderate drawdown. Central Ganga Plain constitutes the most promising ground water repository characterized by multi-layered aquifer systems. The yield of the open wells and hand pumps constructed in the phreatic aquifer vary from 5 to 10 lps. The tube wells in the phreatic aquifer yield between 20 to 28 lps at 6 to 8 m drawdown. Marginal alluvial plain consists of kankar mixed clay-silt beds intercalated with sand and gravel lenses. The aquifer in this area is capable of yielding 15 to 40 lps at moderate drawdown. Southern part mainly occupied by Hard rocks comprising of Granite/ Granitic Gneiss and Marginal Alluvium in Bundelkhand Region and Vindyan Sedimentary formations in Mirzapur and Sonebhadra Districts. The wells tapping these formations generally recorded yield between 2 to 8 lps.The Ground water resources have been assessed blockwise.

Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the state has been assessed as 72.19 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource as 66.88 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 46.03 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 68.83 %.

Out of the 830 assessment units consisting 820 blocks and 10 cities, 66 units (7.95 %) have been categorized as 'Over- exploited', 49 units (5.9 %) as 'Critical', 174 units (20.96 %) as 'Semi-critical' and 541 units (65.18 %) as 'Safe'. Similarly out of 229657.75 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 15707.61 sq km (6.84 %) area are under 'Over-Exploited', 13117.04 sq km (5.71 %) under 'Critical', 52007.48 sq km (22.65 %) under 'Semi-critical', 148825.61 sq km (64.8 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 66882.45 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 4304.1 mcm (6.44 %) are under 'Over-exploited', 3822.59 mcm (5.72 %) under 'Critical', 12755.08 mcm (19.07 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 46000.68 mcm (68.78 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, ground water extraction figure increased minutely. The stage of ground water extraction has also marginally decreased from 70.18 % to 68.83%. Increasing recharge values can be attributed to increase in rainfall during 2019 throughout the states.

# **7.28 UTTARAKHAND**

Uttarakhand State has a distinct geological attribute with wide variety of rock units ranging in age from Archean to Quaternary. About 85 % of the geographical area of the state is mountainous and underlain by hard rocks. Ground water in the hard rock area is harnessed through the springs and hand pump tapping the weathered zone. Discharge of springs in the Lesser Himalaya and Central Himalaya is variable and ranges from 60 to 600 lpm. About 15 % of the geographical area is underlain by semi-consolidated and unconsolidated formations known as Tarai and Bhabhar. Ground water in this area is developed by open wells, shallow and deep tubewells.

The ground water resources of Uttarakhand State have been assessed block-wise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the State has been assessed as 2.02 bcm. The Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 1.85 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.87 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 46.8 %.

Out of the 18 assessment units, 4 units (22.22 %) lie under 'Semi-Critical' category and 14 units (77.78 %) under 'Safe' category. There are no 'Over-exploited', 'Critical' and 'Saline' units in the state. Similarly out of 4993.04 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 950.94 sq km (19.05 %) area are under 'Semi-critical', 4042.1 sq km (80.95 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 1852.9 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 346.26 mcm (18.69 %) are under 'Semi-critical' and 1506.64 mcm (81.31 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

As compared to 2017 assessment, there is decrease in the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge from 3.04 bcm (2017) to 2.02 bcm (2020). Similarly there is decrease in Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources from 2.89 bcm (2017) to 1.85 bcm (2020). The Annual Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 1.64 bcm (2017) to 0,87 bcm (2020). The Stage of Ground Water extraction has decreased from 56.83 % to 46.80 %. The decrease in Annual Ground Water Extraction can be attributed to refinement in well census database (reduction in number of dug wells and hand pumps currently in use) and re-evaluation of estimated drafts of the abstraction structures in a block-wise manner after consultation with the State Govt. departments. There has been improvement in stage of groundwater extraction in all the assessment units.

## **7.29 WEST BENGAL**

Nearly two third area of the state is occupied by unconsolidated sediments; the western part of the state is partly occupied by the hard rocks. The phreatic aquifer is generally developed through dug well, dug cum bore well and shallow tube well. The yield of these wells varies from 1 to 5 lps.

The Ground Water Resource Assessment could not be completed and State Level Committee has not approved the GW Resource Assessment 2020. Hence, Central Level Expert Group recommended that the results of previous assessment in respect of West Bengal may be used in place of GWRA-2020 for national compilation on Dynamic Ground Water Resources of India, 2020. As per assessment, Total Annual Ground Water Recharge had been assessed as 29.33 bcm, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 26.56 bcm and Annual Ground Water Extraction is 11.84 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 44.60 %.

Out of the 268 assessment units (blocks), 1 unit (0.37 %) has been categorized as 'Critical', 76 units (28.36 %) as 'Semi-critical', 191 units (71.27 %) as 'Safe'. Similarly out of 69046.96 sq km recharge worthy area of the State, 190.03 sq km (0.28 %) area are under 'Critical', 16823.33 sq km (24.37 %) under 'Semi-critical', 52033.6 sq km (75.36 %) under 'Safe' categories of assessment units. Out of total 26558.47 mcm annual extractable ground water resources of the State, 68.5 mcm (0.26 %) are under 'Critical', 6991.06 mcm (26.32 %) under 'Semi-critical' and 19498.91 mcm (73.42 %) are under 'Safe' categories of assessment units.

#### **7.30 ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS**

The Andaman & Nicobar Islands comprise an arc-shaped chain of islands in the Bay of Bengal and are characterized by rugged topography, steep slope, low infiltration capacity and close proximity of hills to the sea. Marine sedimentary group of rocks comprising shale, sandstone, grit and conglomerate; extrusive and intrusive igneous rocks (volcanics and ultramafics) and coralline atolls and limestone occupy the entire geographical area. Amongst these, the Sedimentary Group is most pervasive and occupy nearly 70% of the entire area of the islands while the igneous group covers nearly 15% while the rest of 15% goes to the coralline and limestone formations. All these rock formations have been subjected to many tectonic activities, evident from the occurrence of shallow and deep focus earthquakes in the islands.

Because of tectonic activity, the Igneous and Sedimentary group of rocks are highly fractured and fissured. These fracturing in hard rock form conduits for movement of ground water in the deeper horizon. The geology of the islands is highly varied within a small distance. Marine sedimentary rocks are developed only through dug wells having meager yield of 0.1 to 0.5 lps. The igneous Ophiolite suite of rocks in the area although restricted in occurrence, are observed to yield moderate to high both in shallow and deeper locales and they are developed by dug wells and bore wells with yield ranging from 1 to 10 lps. The island area which is covered by Coralline Limestone contains appreciable quantity of groundwater with yield ranging from 5 to25 lps.

The Ground Water Resources (in 2020), following GEC 2015 guidelines, have been assessed islandwise. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the A&N Islands have been assessed as 0.3166 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Recharge is assessed as 0.2859 bcm. The Annual Ground Water extraction is 0.0074 bcm which translates to a Stage of Ground Water Extraction of 2.5 %.

Out of 36 assessment units (Islands), 35 are 'Safe' and one is 'Saline'. There is no significant change with respect to 2017 assessment.

# **7.31 CHANDIGARH**

Chandigarh is underlain by the Quaternary alluvial deposits and comprises layers of fine sand and clay. Coarser sediments occur along the Sukhna Choe and Patialiki Rao, whereas relatively finer sediments underlie the area between these two streams. Fair to good aquifer horizons occur in most part of Chandigarh comprising medium to coarse sand, to a depth of 180 m bgl below which they become finer. Ground water in the area occurs under confined as well as semi-confined conditions. In Manimajra, ground water occurs under unconfined conditions down to about 80 m. In other areas, the semi-confined conditions prevail below 20 to 30 m. The depth of the shallow aquifer system is less than 30 m bgl, where as the depth of the deeper aquifer system ranges from 40 to 450 m bgl of explored depth. The transmissivity values for the deeper aquifer system ranges between 74 and 590 m<sup>2</sup>/day. The transmissivity values of shallow aquifers up to 100 m depth ranges from 70 to 466 m<sup>2</sup>/day. Ground water is found to be fresh and suitable for drinking as well as irrigation purposes.

UT of Chandigarh has very small area and whole UT has been taken as an assessment unit. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been assessed as 0.063 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 0.057 bcm. The UT of Chandigarh has been categorized as 'Semi Critical' with stage of ground water extraction at 80.60 %. In comparison to 2017 assessment, Total annual recharge has increased from 0.042 to 0.063 bcm. The current ground water extraction increases from 0.03 to 0.046 bcm. The groundwater extraction in Chandigarh is completely governed by Government and only Government extracts groundwater for public water supply.

# **7.32 DAMAN & DIU AND DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI**

# *Daman & Diu*

The entire island area of Diu is about 40 sq. km and is underlain by Alluvium and Milliolite soft rock formation. The Daman has about 72 sq km area out of which 30 % is covered by alluvium and the rest is underlain by Basalt rocks. In UT of Daman & Diu, dug well as well as dug cum bore wells are common for irrigation and domestic use. The yields of open dug wells varies from less than1 to 5  $\rm m^3$ /day, where as that of Dug cum Bore wells ranges from less than 2 to 10 m $^3$ /day.

The ground water resources have been assessed district-wise. The total Annual Ground Water Recharge has been assessed as 0.029 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground water Resources as 0.028 bcm. The total current Annual Ground Water Extraction has been assessed as 0.031 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction as 113.38 %. Out of 2 assessment units, Diu has been categorized as 'Safe' and Daman as 'Over Exploited'. As compared to 2017 assessment, there is substantial increase in total annual ground water extraction from 0.0097 bcm to 0.031 bcm, whereas the ground water recharge has marginally increased from 0.016 bcm in 2017 to 0.029 bcm in 2020. Consequently, the stage of groundwater extraction has increased from 61.4% to 113.38 %.

# *Dadra & Nagar Haveli*

The entire area of UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli is underlain by hard rock terrain (Deccan basalts). The thickness of vesicular units, ranges from 2 to 8 m. Ground water is developed by means of dug wells and dug cum bore wells. The sustainable yield of dug wells for 3 to 4 hours of pumping is 30  $\text{m}^3$ /day. The transmissivity of shallow aquifer ranges from 5.5 to 305 m<sup>2</sup>/day.

The entire D & NH has been considered as a single assessment unit. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the UT of DNH has been assessed as 0.072 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources as 0.067 bcm. The Current Annual Ground Water Extraction for all uses is 0.031 bcm and Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 45.99 %. The entire UT of D&NH has been categorized as 'Safe'.

As compared to 2017 estimate, there is a negligible change in total annual ground water recharge from 0.07 to 0.072 bcm. However, there is a significant change in ground water extraction component due to the estimation of industrial draft for the first time due to which the current annual ground water extraction from all uses has increased from 0.02 bcm to 0.031 bcm. This change in draft has resulted in increase in stage of extraction from 31.34 % to 45.99 %.

# **7.33 JAMMU & KASHMIR**

Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory comprises of two regions viz-Jammu, Kashmir with 10 districts each, representing different ground water regimes. In Jammu Region the ground water occurs in the outer plains extending between Munawar Tawi in the north-west to River Ravi in the south-east. The ground water occurs in piedmont deposits belonging to upper Pleistocene to Recent age, comprising unconsolidated sediments in the form of terraces and coalescent alluvial fans developed by the streams debauching out of Siwalik Hills. There are a number of isolated valleys in middle Himalayas where ground water occurs in valley fill deposits under un-confined conditions.

Kashmir valley covers an area of 5600 sq km and is occupied by Karewas that consist of a huge pile of alternating bands of sand, silt and clay interspersed by glacial boulder beds. The sands are mostly fine to very fine grained and there is considerable lateral facies variation in the nature of sediments with an aggregate thickness of 2500-3000 m. Ground water in the Karewas of Kashmir valley occurs under both confined as well as unconfined conditions.

The Ground water resources of the J&K UT have been assessed for valley areas and outer plains in 20 districts. The total recharge of ground water involves several components and the rainfall being the major one. The other components are seepage from canal and return flow from surface water and ground water irrigation. Total Annual Groundwater Recharge of the State has been estimated as 4.68 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 4.22 bcm. TheTotal Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.89 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction is 21.03 %. All the assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe'.

As compared to the 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Groundwater Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources have increased from 2.78 bcm to 4.68 bcm and 2.50 bcm to 4.22 respectively. The Annual Ground Water Extraction has also increased from 0.74 bcm to 0.89 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction has decreased from 30.80 % to 21.03 %. The increase in Annual Ground Water Recharge is due to the additional recharge from canal seepage, return flow form irrigated fields, tanks and ponds, lakes and other surface water bodies.

## **7.34 LADAKH**

Ladakh Union Territory comprises of two districts viz-Leh and Kargil. The Topography of the region is extremely rugged, mountainous and highly inaccessible. The altitude of the area varies from 3000- 8000 m amsl. In Leh district, the Indus and Shyok are the main valleys and the Leh plain, More plain, Hanle Plain, Depsang plain and soda plain are some important plains. Leh plain is underlain by morainic deposits consisting of boulders, cobbles, pebbles embedded in an arenaceous matrix and the lake deposits comprising predominantly of clays, sandy- Clays and silt. The sediments are overlain by varved clays and silts of lacustrine origin again succeeded by morainic boulders and cobbles in disintegrated loose sandy matrix and alluvial deposits. Ground water in the valleys occurs in porous formations. This includes moraines and fluvio-glacial deposits of Ladakh. The major assessment areas are Leh, Nubra and Chusul valleys.

Kargil District comprises of the Suru, Zanskar, Drass Shamker Chikar, Waknaand Laws valley's. The major assessment areas are Zanskar and Suru Valleys. Ground water occurs mainly in the porous formations of morainic deposits comprising of Talus and Scree formations.

The Ground Water Resources of the Ladakh UT have been assessed for valley areas in 2 districts. The total recharge of ground water involves several components like rainfall but snowfall being the major one. The other components are seepage from canal, koohl and return flow from surface water and ground water irrigation. Total Annual Ground Water Recharge of the UT has been estimated as 0.12 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 0.11 bcm. The Total Current Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.02 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water extraction in Ladakh is 17.9 %. All the assessment units have been categorized as 'Safe'.

As compared to the 2017 assessment, the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources have increased from 0.11 bcm to 0.12 bcm and 0.10 bcm to 0.11 bcm respectively. The Annual Ground Water Extraction is increased from 0.018 bcm to 0.019 bcm. The Stage of Ground Water Extraction has increased from 16.22 % to 17.9 %. The increase in ground water recharge is due to the addition of the canal seepage, return flow form irrigated fields, tanks and ponds, lakes and other surface water bodies.

## **7.35 LAKSHADWEEP**

Lakshadweep islands are composed of calcareous sand and materials derived from coral atolls. Alternate layers of loose sand, moderately cemented calc-arenites and well cemented, hard and compact limestone underlie the islands. In these islands, fresh ground water occurs under phreatic conditions as lens floating over the saline water and is in hydraulic continuity with sea water. Water levels in wells are strongly influenced by tides. Dug wells are the common ground water abstraction structures in the islands. The major draft component of these islands is for the domestic consumption. Irrigation draft is negligible in the islands as almost all the crops are rainfed.

Dynamic ground water resources have been assessed for individual islands. The total Annual Ground Water Recharge in the islands has been estimated as 0.01 bcm and Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources works out as 0.005 bcm. The total current Annual Ground Water Extraction has been assessed as 0.003 bcm and the Stage of Ground Water Extraction as 58.47 %. Out of the 9 islands, 2 have been categorized as 'Semi-Critical' and 7 as 'Safe'. As compared to 2017 assessment, one island shows remarkable improvement in the categorization from semi-critical to critical.

#### **7.36 PUDUCHERRY**

The UT of Puducherry is underlain by the semi-consolidated and unconsolidated sedimentary formations which mainly sustain dug wells, shallow and deep tube wells. The yield of the wells generally varies between 3 to 15 lps. High yielding wells in the range of 10 to 40 lps exists in the Tertiary sandstones.

The Dynamic ground water resources for UT of Puducherry have been assessed Region wise i.e Karaikal, Mahe, Puducherry & Yanam. The Annual Ground Water Recharge of the UT of Puducherry has been assessed as 0.22 bcm, Annual Extractable Ground Water Resources is 0.2 bcm and the Annual Ground Water Extraction is 0.15 bcm. The overall Stage of Ground Water Extraction of UT of Puducherry is 75 %. Out of 4 regions, 1 region (Puducherry) has been categorized as 'Critical', 2 Regions (Karaikal & Mahe) as 'Safe' and 1 Region (Yanam) as 'Saline'. As compared to 2017 assessment, there is no significant change in Annual Ground Water Recharge & Ground Water Extraction. Only Puducherry Region improved from 'Over- exploited' category to 'Critical' Category. Refinement in database and groundwater augmentation measures taken up by the Government of U.T of Puducherry under various schemes are the reasons for bringing in the increase in recharge and decrease in ground water extraction & stage of groundwater extraction. However, there is no significant change in overall ground water resources of U.T. of Puducherry.

# **CHAPTER 8**

#### **8.0 CONCLUSIONS**

Total Annual Ground Water Recharge in the country (2020) has been assessed as 436 billion cubic meters (bcm). Ground water resources are replenished through rainfall and other sources like return flow from irrigation, canal seepage, recharge from water bodies, water conservation structures etc. The main source of annual ground water recharge is rainfall, which contributes nearly 64 % of the Total Annual Ground Water Recharge. The Total Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource of the country has been assessed as 398 bcm, after keeping a provision for natural discharge. The Annual Ground Water Extraction of the country (2020) is 245 bcm, the largest user being irrigation sector. The Stage of ground water extraction for the entire country, which is the percentage of ground water extraction with respect to Annual Extractable Ground Water Recharge, has been computed as 62 %. The extraction pattern of ground water is not uniform across the country, resulting in ground water stressed conditions in some parts of the country while in some other areas; ground water extraction has been sub- optimal. Out of the total 6965 assessment units (Blocks/ Districts/ Mandals/ Talukas/Firkas) in the country, 1114 units (16 %) have been categorized as 'Over-Exploited', 270 units (4 %) have been categorized as 'Critical', 1057 units (15 %) have been categorized as 'Semi-Critical' and 4427 units (64 %) have been categorized as 'Safe'. Apart from this, there are 97 assessment units (1 %), which have been categorized as 'Saline' as major part of the ground water in phreatic aquifers is brackish or saline. Similarly out of 24.33 lakh sq km recharge worthy area of the country, 4.09 lakh sq km (17 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 0.86 lakh sq km (4 %) are under 'Critical', 3.4 lakh sq km (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 15.67 lakh sq km (64 %) are under 'Safe' and 0.3 lakh sq km (1 %) are under 'Saline' category assessment units. Out of 397.62 bcm of Total Annual Extractable Resources of the country, 50.54 bcm (13 %) are under 'Over-Exploited', 12.71 bcm (3 %) are under 'Critical', 54.11 bcm (14 %) are under 'Semi-Critical', 280.26 bcm (70 %) are under 'Safe' category assessment units.

Over-exploitation of ground water resources could be due to various region-specific reasons. Assessment units located in the north-western part of the country (particularly in the states of Punjab, Haryana, Delhi and Uttar Pradesh) have plenty of replenishable ground water resources but because of the over extraction beyond the annual ground water recharge, many of these units have become Over-exploited. Over-exploited units are also common in the western part of the country, particularly in Rajasthan and Gujarat where the prevailing arid climate results in low recharge of ground water and hence stress on these source. In peninsular India, over-exploited units are wide spread in the states of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and parts of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana which could be attributed mainly to the low storage and transmission capacities of aquifers of the hard rock terrains, which results in reduced availability of the resource.

The total Annual Ground Water Recharge for the entire country, as in 2020 has increased by 4 bcm as compared to the last assessment (2017). The total Annual Extractable GW Resources has also increased by 5 bcm. The Annual Ground Water Extraction for irrigation, domestic and Industrial uses has also decreased by 4 bcm during this period. These variations are attributed mainly to refinement of parameters, refinement in well census data and changing ground water regime.

It is also pertinent to add that as it is advisable to restrict the ground water extraction as far as possible to annual replenishable resources, the categorization also reflects the relation between the annual replenishment and ground water extraction. An area with low groundwater potential may not be considered for ground water extraction and may remain safe and an area with good ground water potential may be heavily used for ground water extraction and may become over exploited over a period of time. Thus, water augmentation efforts can be successful in such areas, where the groundwater potential is high and there is scope for augmentation.

GEC-2015 methodology has been developed for prevalent Indian conditions, on the basis of terrain characteristics and data availability. INDIA-GROUNDWATER RESOURCE ESTIMATION SYSTEM (IN-GRES) is a Software/Web-based Application developed by CGWB in collaboration with IIT-Hyderabad for assessment of ground water resources using GEC 2015 Methodology. Constraints in data availability have been overcome through realistic assumptions based on experience in many States. A conscious effort is required on the parts of the State/ Central agencies to acquire the requisite realistic data to map the changing groundwater scenario in the country.

An analysis of assessment results leads us to the following inferences as the way forward in the assessment of Ground water resources.

#### **8.1 WATER BALANCE STUDIES**

Ground water is one of the several components of the Hydrologic Cycle, other important components being rainfall, surface water, soil moisture and evapotranspiration. Holistic water resources management interventions require proper understanding of the interactions between the different components of the hydrosphere. Studies for determining the Base flow and lateral flow components in the Water Balance equation need to be taken up to bring more accuracy to the Ground water Resources Assessment. Initially, the number of such studies can be taken up in areas representing different hydrogeological set up of India (Southern hard rock terrain, Deccan Basaltic terrain, Indo-Gangetic and Brahmaputra alluvial plains, Coastal alluvium, Desert terrain and Himalayan terrain etc.)

#### **8.2 AQUIFER CHARACTERIZATION AND PARAMETER ESTIMATION**

One of the key elements that determine the accuracy of ground water resources assessment is the realistic estimation of the recharge and discharge parameters. It is recommended that more experimental studies be taken up for refining the norms of RIF, return flow from irrigation based on soil types and agro-climatic zone, recharge from water conservation and water bodies and more field studies for evaluation of specific yield values as well as its variation with depth.

#### **8.3 CASE STUDIES LINKING ASSESSMENT WITH MANAGEMENT**

It is recommended to take up case studies in various assessment units wherein quantitative evaluation of the ground water management interventions and consequent changes in the assessment results could be analysed. Such studies would help bring out the efficacy of various management interventions on the ground water regime.

#### **8.4 TEMPORAL AVAILABILITY OF GROUND WATER RESOURCES**

Even though the GEC 2015 methodology advocates season-wise resource assessment, the estimation of recharge during monsoon and non-monsoon seasons may not be sufficient. Temporal variations in groundwater availability, particularly in hard rock terrain are not reflected in present practices. Hence, the assessment of temporal availability of ground water resources on the basis of available water columns can be attempted by considering the water levels measured frequently using Digital Water Level Recorders (DWLRs).

## **8.5 CREATION OF DATABASE FOR GROUND WATER RESOURCES ASSESSMENT AND ITS REGULAR UPDATING**

GEC 2015 has devised the data structure of all the data elements (like water level, rainfall etc) and norms (like Specific Yield, Rainfall Infiltration Factor etc.) with its name, type of data and its precision. The templates (excel sheets) for data collection/compilation for assessment through IN-GRES using GEC 2015 has also been devised. However, major challenges are lack of dedicated manpower as well as presence of State GW/Nodal Departments (in majority of States) at District level for understanding/analysis of data/information to be collected/compiled from different State Departments (like Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Supply, Industries, Water Conservation etc.). Of particular importance in this regard are data/information related to recharge from water bodies, water conservation/harvesting structures, return flow from applied irrigation and details of ground water extraction structures in use for irrigation, domestic and industrial purpose. These need to be collected/compiled and regularly updated at district/block level so that more realistic assessment of ground water resources could be accomplished.

## **8.6 AQUIFER-WISE ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS (ASSESSMENT UNITS) IN AREAS OTHER THAN HARD ROCK TERRAIN**

Areas occupied by unconsolidated sediments (alluvial deposits, aeolian deposits, coastal deposits etc.) usually have flat topography and assessment of ground water resources has been carried out taking administrative units (block/mandal/taluk etc.) as assessment units to facilitate the local administration in planning the ground water management programmes (both supply and demand side). However, if more than one hydrogeological/aquifer units (with distinctive characteristics, sustainability and ground water extraction patterns) exist within these administrative units, then the assessment units could be further divided into smaller units based on hydrogeological/aquifer characteristics. This will lead to more accurate assessment (aquifer wise) of resources and microlevel/area-specific interventions/management measures could be implemented.

# **8.7 GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT OF DEEPER AQUIFER SYSTEMS IN INDO-GANGETIC, BRAHMAPUTRA AND COASTAL ALLUVIAL TERRAIN**

The dynamic ground water resources mainly comprises ground water resources available within the zone of water table fluctuation which are being regularly replenished every year through rainfall and other sources of recharge. This assessment has been carried out and categorization done based on utilization with respect to annual availability of dynamic ground water resources. However, in Indo-Gangetic, Brahmaputra and Coastal Alluvial areas multiple aquifer systems exist (on a regional scale) with sustainable and high yield characteristics. For assessment of deeper aquifers, more studies on individual aquifer potential/sustainable yield along with facilities for monitoring of piezometric heads (by establishing piezometers tapping different aquifer zones) have to be carried out. The resources of deeper aquifer systems could be considered for extraction during exigencies as well as for drinking water purpose for nearby regions.

#### **8.8 AQUIFER-STREAM INTERACTIONS**

Additional studies on aquifer-stream interactions are required to understand the contribution of ground water to streams and the requirement of environmental flows for sustainability of water resources and surrounding ecosystem.

#### **8.9 GROUND WATER MODELLING AND PREDICTIVE SIMULATION**

Besides the assessment of the dynamic ground water resources using norms prescribed in GEC 2015 methodology through automation, the concept of Ground water modelling must be included where predictive simulation can also be done. This would give an idea of the future availability of Ground water resources with respect to the changing climate and extraction patterns.

# ANNEXURE - I

# State-wise Ground Water Resources Availability, Utilization and Stage of Extraction

(as in 2020)


# ANNEXURE - II

# District-wise Ground Water Resources Availability, Utilization and

# Stage of extraction

(as in 2020)














































































Annexure - III(A)

State-Wise Categorization of Blocks/ Mandals/ Taluks in India (as in 2020)



# Annexure - III(B)

## District-Wise Categorization of Blocks/ Mandals/ Taluks in India (as in 2020)





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Annexure - III(C)

## State-Wise Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource of Assessment Units under Different Category in India (as in 2020)

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Annexure - III(D)

District-Wise Annual Extractable Ground Water Resource of Assessment Units under Different Category in India (as in 2020)














































































Annexure - III(E)

## State-Wise Recharge worthy Area of

## Assessment Unit under Different Category in India

(as in 2020)





Annexure - III(F)

District–Wise Recharge Worthy Area of Assessment Unit under Different Category in India (as in 2020)



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Annexure - IV(A)

State-wise Categorization of Blocks/ Mandals/ Taluks in India (as in 2020)














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<b>CATEGORIZATION of ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
<b>HARYANA</b>								
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	<b>S. No</b>	Name of Semi-Critical <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Critical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	Name of Over-Exploited <b>Assessment Units</b>	
21	Sonipat						Murthal	
						2	Sonipat	
						3	Rai	
						4	Mundlana	
						5	Ganaur	
22	Yamuna Nagar				Sadaura (Part)		Radaur	
						2	Chhachhrauli	
						3	Mustafabad	
						4	Khizrabad	
						5	Jagadhri	
						6	Bilaspur	
<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
<b>Total No. of Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Semicritical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>		<b>Number of Critical Assessment</b> Units		Number of Over Exploited	
							<b>Assessment Units</b>	
141			14	12		85		

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<b>CATEGORIZATION of ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
<b>JHARKHAND</b>								
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	S. No	Name of Semi-Critical <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Critical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	Name of Over-Exploited <b>Assessment Units</b>	
$\vert$ 1	<b>Bokaro</b>		Chas				Bermo	
$\overline{2}$	Deoghar		Sonaraithadhi					
3	<b>Dhanbad</b>		Dhanbad & Jharia		Baliapur		Topchanchi	
$\overline{4}$	Garhwa		Bhawanathpur					
5	Hazaribagh		Daru					
6	Ramgarh		Chitarpur					
		$\overline{2}$	Mandu					
		3	Ramgarh					
	Ranchi		Kanke		Silli			
		$\overline{2}$	Khelari					
8	<b>East Singhbhum</b>						Golmuri Cum Jugsalai	
<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
<b>Total No. of Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Semicritical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>		<b>Number of Critical Assessment</b> Units		Number of Over Exploited <b>Assessment Units</b>	
259			10		$\mathbf{2}$		3	





































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<b>CATEGORIZATION of ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
<b>TAMIL NADU</b>								
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	S. No	Name of Semi-Critical <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Critical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>	S. No	Name of Over-Exploited <b>Assessment Units</b>	
35	Virudhunagar		Malli		Mangalam		Keelarajakularaman	
		$\overline{2}$	Ivankollankondan	2	Vatchakara-Patti	$\overline{2}$	Nathampatti	
		3	Srivilliputtur	3	Alangulam	3	Vembakottai	
		4	Rajapalayam	4	Mallankinar	4	Pillaiyarkulam	
		5	Salwarpatti	5	Amathur	5	Cholapuram	
		6	Ondipulinaickanur					
		7	Watrap					
		8	Elayiram- Pannai					
		9	Sivakasi					
		10	Kottaivur					
<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
<b>Total No. of Assessed Units</b>		<b>Number of Semicritical</b> <b>Assessment Units</b>			<b>Number of Critical Assessment</b> Units		Number of Over Exploited <b>Assessment Units</b>	
1166			225		63		435	


































# ANNEXURE - IV(B)

Quality Problems in Assessment Units (as in 2020)

*NOTE:*

*# Only Assessment Units where the Quality Tag of As, F & Salinity have been reported are provided against respective districts and states.*

*# The Assessment Units with "C", indicates the phreatic aquifer in the assessment unit is almost/ completely brackish /saline*

*# The Quality Tag In Respect of As & F indicates Sporadic Occurrences.*



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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>									
	<b>ANDHRA PRADESH</b>									
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Arsenic</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>			
6	<b>West Godavari</b>					$\mathbf{1}$	Kalla (C)			
						$\overline{2}$	Akiveedu (C)			
						3	Mogalthur (C)			
						4	Veeravasaram (C)			
						5	Undi (C)			
						6	Poduru (C)			
						$\overline{7}$	Ganapavaram (C)			
						8	Narasapuram (C)			
						9	Palacole (C)			
						10	Pentapadu (C			
						11	Bheemavaram (C)			
						12	Nidamarru (C			
						13	Palakoderu (C)			
						14	Yelamanchili (C			
				<b>ABSTRACT</b>						
	<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride	<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity				
	667		Nil		Nil		79, 38 ( Completely Saline )			











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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
	<b>DELHI</b>								
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Arsenic</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>		
	<b>New Delhi</b>					1	Delhi Cantonment		
						$\overline{2}$	Vasant Vihar		
$\overline{2}$	<b>North</b>		Alipur				Alipur		
						$\overline{2}$	Model Town		
						3	Narela		
3	<b>North West</b>		Saraswati Vihar				Kanjhawala		
						$\overline{2}$	Saraswati Vihar		
4	<b>South West</b>						Dwarka		
						2	Kapashera		
						3	Najafgarh		
5.	West						Patel Nagar		
						$\overline{2}$	Punjabi Bagh		
						3	Rajouri Garden		
				<b>ABSTRACT</b>					
<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
	34		2		Nil		13		









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			<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>					
				<b>KERALA</b>				
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	lS. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by Fluoride	S. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Arsenic</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>	
	Alappuzha		Arvad					
	Palakkad		Chittur					
		$\overline{2}$	Kollengode					
		3	Malampuzha					
		4	Palakkad					
3	<b>Thrissur</b>						Thalikkulam	
				<b>ABSTRACT</b>				
<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride	<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
	152				Nil			



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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
	<b>NAGALAND</b>								
lS. No	<b>Name of District</b>	lS. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	lS. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Arsenic</b>	lS. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>		
	<b>Dimapur</b>		Dimapur						
				<b>ABSTRACT</b>					
<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
					Nil		Nil		







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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
<b>RAJASTHAN</b>									
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	<b>S. No</b>	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by Arsenic	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>		
14	Pali					1	Jaitaran		
						$\overline{2}$	Kharchi (Marwar Junc)		
						3	Pali		
						4	Rani Station		
						5	Rohat		
						6	Sojat		
						7	Sumerpur		
15	<b>Sikar</b>						Fatehpur		
						$\overline{2}$	Lachhmangarh		
						3	Piprali		
16	Tonk						Malpura		
						2	Tonk		
	<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
	<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
	295		Nil	Nil			88.3 (Completely Saline)		







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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
<b>TELANAGNA</b>									
lS. No	<b>Name of District</b>	S. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by Arsenic	S. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>		
22	Yadadri		Addagudur						
		$\overline{2}$	Alair						
		3	Bhunvanagiri						
		4	Bibinagar						
		5	Choutuppal						
		6	Mothkur						
			Rajapet						
		8	Ramannapet						
		9	Turkapalle m						
		10	Yadagirigutta						
	<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
	589		93		Nil		Nil		









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	<b>QUALITY PROBLEMS IN ASSESSMENT UNITS, 2020</b>								
	<b>PUDUCHERRY</b>								
S. No	<b>Name of District</b>	lS. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Fluoride</b>	lS. No	<b>Name of Assessment</b> Units affected by <b>Arsenic</b>	lS. No	Name of Assessment Units affected by <b>Salinity</b>		
	Yanam						Yanam (C)		
	<b>ABSTRACT</b>								
<b>Total Number of</b> <b>Assessed Units</b>			<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Fluoride		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Arsenic		<b>Number of Assessment Units</b> affected by Salinity		
			Nil	Nil		Completely Saline			

# Annexure - V(A)

State-wise Summary of Assessment units Improved or deteriorated from 2017 to 2020 assessment



Annexure - V(B)

Comparison of Categorization of assessment Units (2017 to 2020)




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