Hydrogeological Atlas of Rajasthan Bundi District

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ADMINISTRATIVE SETUP

Location:

Bundi district is located in the southeastern part of Rajasthan. It is bounded in the north by Tonk district; in the northeast by Sawai Madhopur district; east to southeast by Kota district; south by Chittaurgarh and in the west by Bhilwara district. It stretches between 24° 59' 22.09" to 25° 53' 03.41" north latitude and 75° 15' 35.63" to 76° 21' 32.20" east longitude covering area of 5.776.5 sq km. The district has a systematic drainage system, and most part of the district is drained by the southwest to northeast flowing Chambal River and its tributaries. Small part of the district in the north is drained by tributaries of Banas River.

Administrative Set-up:

S. No.	Block Name	Population (Based on 2001 census)	Total Number of Towns and Villages			
1	Bundi	2,15,821	938.4	16.2	163	
2	Hindoli	1,89,290	1,354.3	23.4	174	
3	Keshorai Patan	2,49,755	1,341.3	23.3	231	
4	Nainwa	1,71,401	1,230.6	21.3	182	
5	Talera	1,36,353	911.9	15.8	106	
	Total	9,62,620	5,776.5	100.0	856	

Bundi district is administratively divided into five Blocks. The following table summarizes the basic statistics of the district at block level.

Bundi district has 856 towns and villages, out of which five are block headquarters as well.

Climate:

Summer season in Bundi district of Rajasthan extends from the month of March to the month of May. Summer season records very high temperatures often reaching 46°C or above. The winter season starts from the month of November and lasts till February, and during this time the minimum temperature recorded is very low often around 3-4°C. Monsoon season is start from July and end in early September. Average annual rainfall in district is about 585.0mm.



DISTRICT – BUNDI











TOPOGRAPHY



DISTRICT – BUNDI

Topography of the district is characterized by flat to undulating terrain with small isolated mounds. It is divided in almost two equal parts by NE-SW trending Vindhyan Range. The general topographic gradient is from southwest to northeast in the southern part of the Range whereas to the northern part of the ridge the gradient is generally from west to east. High elevation hills are found southern part of the district around Budhpura and to the west of Bundi city. Chambal is the most prominent River in the district and there are some important tributaries like Dungari, Bhimlat, Mej, Bajian, Sugll and Kupal etc. The general topographic elevation in the district is between 250 m to 300 m above mean sea level. Elevation ranges from a minimum of 200 m above mean sea level in Keshorai Patan block in the southeastern part of the district and maximum of 547.1 m above mean sea level In Talera block in southern part of the district.

S. No.	Block Name Minimum Elevation (m amsl)		Maximum Elevation (m amsl)							
1	Bundi	215.0	539.8							
2	Hindoli	242.3	538.6							
3	Keshorai Patan	200.0	484.2							
4	Nainwa	225.1	504.3							
5	Talera	227.6	547.1							

Table: Block wise minimum and maximum elevation

RAINFALL

The rainfall received by the district is fairly good. The general distribution of rainfall across can be visualized from total annual rainfall isohyet map presented in the Plate – III, which reveals a high rainfall area (900 – 100 mm) in the northeast and southwestern parts of the district whereas the minimum rainfall area was in the northwestern part of the district. Apart from these high and low areas, most part of the district has shown a general rainfall range of 700 mm to 800 mm. The annual average rainfall was 716.4 mm based on the data of available blocks. Keshorai Patan block received maximum annual rainfall (914.6 mm) whereas minimum was in Nainwa block (570.4 mm). Highest average annual rainfall recorded in Hindoli block about 740.6 mm.

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Block Name	Minimum Annual Rainfall (mm)	Maximum Annual Rainfall (mm)	Average Annual Rainfall (mm)
Bundi	671.9	795.7	729.4
Hindoli	638.4	789.3	740.6
Keshorai Patan	653.8	914.6	729.2
Nainwa	570.4	803.2	673.5
Talera	633.9	857.2	709.4

Table: Block wise annual rainfall statistics (derived from year 2010 meteorological station data)







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76°25'12"

PLATE - III 76°25'53"

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Geologically, the upper part of the district i.e. NE-SW exposed by rock formation belonging to Bhilwara Super Group and lower part of the district belonging to the Vindhyan Super Group. In Bhilwara Super Group rocks of Hindoli, Mangalwar & Jahajpur Groups are exposed. Vindhyan sedimentary sequences have occupied northeastern to southern part of the district. These are grouped as upper Vindhyan Super Group (100-600 m.y.) and separated from Bhilwara Super Group by a major reverse fault known as Great Boundary Fault. The Groups of Vindhyan Super Group i.e. Kaimur, Rewa & Bhander and their formations are well exposed in the district.

Super Group	Group	Formation					
Recent to sub-Recent		Soil Alluvium					
	Upper Bhander	Upper Bhander shale, Balwan Limestone, Maihar Sandstone					
Vindhyan	Lower Bhander	Sirbu shale, Lower Bhander sandstone, Samaria shale, Lower Bhander limestone, Ganugarh shale					
	Rewa	Sovindgarh sandstone, Jhiri shale, Indergarh sandstone, Panna shale					
	Kaimur	Kaimur sandstone, Badanpur conglomerate					
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		Acid & Basic intrusives					
	lbazour	Dolomite, ferruginous, chert, carbonaceous, phyllite, ferruginous phyllites with thin band of					
Bhilwara	Jhazpur	conglomerate, gritty quartzite & quartzite					
	Hindoli & Mangalwar complex	Shale, phyllite, mica schist, quartzite, dolomites, limestone, amphibolites, calc-silicates & quartzite					

GEOMORPHOLOGY

Origin	Landform Unit	Description						
	Buried Pediment	Pediment covers essentially with relatively thicker alluvial, colluvial or weathered materials.						
Denudational	Pediment	Broad gently sloping rock flooring, erosional surface of low relief between hill and plain, comprised of varied lithology, criss-crossed by fractures and faults.						
	Alluvial Fan	A fan shaped mass of sediment deposit at a point along a Nallah, river where there is a decrease in gradient.						
Fluvial	Alluvial Plain	Mainly undulating landscape formed due to fluvial activity, comprising of gravels, sand, silt and clay. Terrain mainly undulating, produced by extensive deposition of alluvium.						
FIUVIAI	Valley Fill	Formed by fluvial activity, usually at lower topographic locations, comprising of boulders, cobbles, pebbles, gravels, sand, silt and clay. The unit has consolidated sediment deposits.						
	Ravine	Small, narrow, deep, depression, smaller than gorges, larger than gulley, usually carved by running water.						
Structural	Plateau	Formed over varying lithology with extensive, flat, landscapes, bordered by escarpment on all sides. Essentially formed horizontally layered rocky marked by extensive flat top and steep slopes. It may be criss crossed by lineament.						
	Denudational,	Steep sided, relict hills undergone denudation, comprising of varying lithology with joints, fractures and lineaments. Linear						
Hills	Structural Hill,	to arcuate hills showing definite trend-lines with varying lithology associated with folding, faulting etc.Long narrow low-						
	Linear Ridge	lying ridge usually barren, having high run off may form over varying lithology with controlled strike.						

Table: Geomorphologic units, their description and distribution













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Aquifers area formed in the district within Alluvium, Shale, Sandstone, Limestone and Phyllite. GBF plays important role in separating the aquifers formed in sedimentary rocks of Vindhyans with Bhilwara Super Groups. South of GBF, alluvium is the most prominent aquifer occupying about 22% of the spatial coverage of aquifers while shale, sandstone and limestone aquifers occupy 17.6%, 15.6% and 4.8% of the total aquifer area in the district. North of the GBF, phyllites are the only rocks that form aquifers. The primary openings in sandstones and secondary openings in other hard rock formation facilitate storage of underground water. Sand, silt gravels and pebbles within thick alluvial cover over the bedrocks constitute aquifers in alluvium.

Aquifer in Potential Zone	Area (sq km)	% age of district	Description of the unit/Occurrence							
Younger Alluvium	1,269.9	22.0	It is largely constituted of Aeolian and Fluvial sand, silt, clay, gravel and							
rounger Anuvium	1,209.9	22.0	pebbles in varying proportions.							
Limestone	276.8	4.8	In general, it is fine to medium grained, grey, red yellowish, pink or buff							
Linestone	270.0		in colour.							
Sandstone	898.4	15.6	Fine to medium grained, red colour and compact and at places.							
Phyllite	2,129.1	36.9	These include meta sediments and represented by carbonaceous phyllite.							
Shale	1,016.7	17.6	Grey, light green and purple in colour and mostly splintery in nature.							
Hills	185.6	3.1	-							
Total	5,776.5	100.0								

Table: Aquifer potential zones their area and their description

STAGE OF GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT

The Keshorai Patan block in the eastern part of the Bundi district falls into 'Semi Critical' category from ground water development stage assessment. The spatial coverage of this block largely corresponds to alluvial aquifer area in the district. The remaining four blocks are 'Over Exploited' as development of ground water exceeds the recharge in the area and therefore needs attention to control the over usage of ground water.

Categorization on the basis of stage of development of ground water	Block Name					
Semi-Critical	Keshorai Patan					
Over Exploited	Hindoli, Bundi, Talera, Nainwa					

Basis for categorization: Ground water development <= 70 - 90% Semi critical and >100% - Over-Exploited















LOCATION OF EXPLORATORY AND GROUND WATER MONITORING WELLS

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Bundi district has well distributed network of large number of exploratory wells (87) and ground water monitoring stations (236) in the district owned by RGWD (60 and 218 respectively) and CGWB (27 and 18 respectively). The exploratory wells have formed the basis for delineation of subsurface aquifer distribution scenario in three dimensions. Benchmarking and optimization studies suggest that ground water level monitoring network is sufficiently dense and distributed whereas 3 additional wells to be added to water quality monitoring network to optimize it.

Block Name	Explo	oratory W	ells		ound Wat		Recommended additional wells for optimization of monitoring network			
	CGWB RGWD Total CGWB				RGWD	Total	Water Level	Water Quality		
Bundi	1	6	7	4	26	30	-	1		
Hindoli	5	17	22	3	57	60	-	2		
Keshorai Patan	8	14	22	8	54	62	-	-		
Nainwa	6	18	24	3	60	63	-	-		
Talera	7	5	12	-	21	21	-	-		
Total	27	60	87	18	218	236	-	3		

Table: Block wise count of wells (existing and recommended)

DEPTH TO WATER LEVEL (PRE MONSOON – 2010)

Depth to water level shows variation from less than 10m below ground level to about 40m below ground level. More than half area of the district has shown a generally moderate depth to ground water occurrence ranging between 10m and 20m of depth whereas the isolated patches have shown deeper water levels reaching upto 40m below ground level. The deepest water level recorded in the east of Lakheri. The shallow occurrence of ground water (<10m bgl) is seen in south and south eastern parts of the district.

Depth to water level		Block wise area coverage (sq km) *									
(m bgl)	Bundi	Bundi Hindoli Keshorai Patan Nai		Patan Nainwa T		(sq km)					
<10	253.7	0.3	536.4	-	667.6	1,458.0					
10-20	611.3	1,014.0	622.2	931.1	188.1	3,366.7					
20-30	52.1	287.4	179.8	244.9	-	764.2					
>30	-	-	2.0	-	-	2.0					
Total	917.1	1,301.7	1,340.4	1,176.0	855.7	5,590.9					

* The area covered in the derived maps is less than the total district area since the hills have been excluded from interpolation/contouring.







76°23'28'

76°22'48"













WATER TABLE ELEVATION (PRE MONSOON - 2010)

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There is large variation in water table elevation in the district. General flow direction of ground water is from southwest to northeast within major part of the district. Highest water table elevation (up to >480m amsl) is recorded in the southwestern part (Talera Block) of the district. The water table gradually lowers towards northeast reaching a minimum elevation (<180m amsl) in the Keshorai Patan block. The flow gradients are steeper in the southwestern part in the vicinity of hills whereas it assumes a flatter gradient in the plain areas with occasional localized flow reversals as well.

Table: Block wise area covered in each water table elevation range																
Plack Nama	Block wise area (sq km) within water table elevation (m amsl) range														Total Area	
Block Name	< 180	180 - 200	200 - 220	220 - 240	240 - 260	260 - 280	280 - 300	300 - 320	320 - 340	340 - 360	360 - 380	380 - 400	400 - 440	440 - 480	> 480	(sq km)
Bundi	-	-	37.4	310.1	291.6	66.7	34.2	31.4	28.8	22.8	26.1	27.6	38.8	1.6	-	917.1
Hindoli	-	-	-	18.8	225.8	331.1	365.4	308.0	43.0	9.6	-	-	-	-	-	1,301.7
Keshorai Patan	-	11.3	255.7	863.8	209.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,340.4
Nainwa	-	-	-	7.5	930.0	194.9	43.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,176.0
Talera	-	-	-	77.5	199.4	65.6	42.5	36.4	36.8	39.3	41.6	53.6	129.6	121.3	12.1	855.7
Total	-	11.3	293.1	1,277.7	1,856.4	658.3	485.7	375.8	108.6	71.7	67.7	81.2	168.4	122.9	12.1	5,590.9

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WATER LEVEL FLUCTUATION (PRE TO POST MONSOON 2010)

A 2m contour interval adopted to visualize the ground water level fluctuation reveals a fall of 2 m in one area to rise in other areas reaching upto 18m, as seen in Plate XI. The negative fluctuation areas (indicated by pink and red regions) are the areas where overexploitation is taking place and even after monsoon recharge water level has not risen and has actually gone down with respect to pre-monsoon levels. Such large ground water depletion areas are located in the southeastern part of Talera block and eastern part of Keshorai Patan block. Rest of the district has shown a general to significant rise in ground water level in the post monsoon season with respect to pre monsoon season. Maximum rise of more than 18m is noticed in the western part of the district (in the northern part of Hindoli block).

Block Name		Water level fluctuation range (m)										Total Area	
DIUCK INdille	<-2	-2 – 0	0 – 2	2 – 4	4 – 6	6 – 8	8 – 10	10 – 12	12 – 14	14 – 16	16 - 18	>18	(sq km)
Bundi	1.4	49.1	98.0	166.7	350.7	185.1	27.0	11.6	9.5	7.9	6.8	3.3	917.1
Hindoli	-	-	1.8	15.7	38.0	223.7	368.2	225.5	171.9	136.1	109.8	11.0	1,301.7
Keshorai Patan	41.1	339.8	320.5	366.6	256.9	15.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,340.4
Nainwa	-	1.0	15.9	66.6	257.7	459.0	355.9	19.9	-	-	-	-	1,176.0
Talera	15.4	58.1	128.8	187.7	311.7	143.8	10.2	-	-	-	-	-	855.7
Total	57.9	448.0	565.0	803.3	1,215.0	1,027.1	761.3	257.0	181.4	144.0	116.6	14.3	5,590.9

Table: Block wise area covered in each water fluctuation zone







76°24'40"

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PLATE - XI

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GROUND WATER ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY DISTRIBUTION

The Electrical conductivity (at 25°C) distribution map is presented in Plate – XII. The areas with low EC values in ground water (<2000 μ S/cm) are shown in yellow color which occupy almost 91% of the district area indicating that, by and large the ground water in this district is suitable for domestic purpose. The areas with moderately high EC values (2000 - 4000 μ S/cm) are shown in green color and occupy 9% of the district area, largely eastern part of the district. No areas have shown very high EC values.

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Electrical Conductivity Ranges			E	Block wi	ise area co	overage	(sq km)				Total Area	
(μS/cm at 25°C)	Bu	ndi	Hindoli		Keshorai Patan		Nainwa		Talera		Total Area	
(Ave. of years 2005-09)	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	(sq km)	
<2000	880.0	96.0	1,301.7	100.0	898.7	67.0	1,175.4	99.9	824.4	96.3	5,080.2	
2000-4000	37.1	4.0	-	-	441.7	33.0	0.6	0.1	31.3	3.7	510.7	
>4000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	917.1	100.0	1,301.7	100.0	1,340.4	100.0	1,176.0	100.0	855.7	100.0	5,590.9	

Table: Block wise area of Electrical conductivity distribution

GROUND WATER CHLORIDE DISTRIBUTION

The yellow colored regions in Plate – XIII are such areas where chloride concentration is low (<250 mg/l) which occupy approximately 92% of the district. The ground water in this region is suitable for domestic purpose. The areas with moderately high chloride concentration (250-1000mg/l) are shown in green color and occupy approximately 8% of the district area scattered, largely middle part of the district. No area has shown high chloride concentration ground water.

Chloride Concentration			E	Block w	ise area co	overage	(sq km)				Tatal Avea
Range (mg/l)	Bu	ndi	Hind	Hindoli		Keshorai Patan		Nainwa		era	Total Area (sq km)
(Ave. of years 2005-09)	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	(sq kiii)
<250	715.0	78.0	1,244.7	96.0	1,165.6	87.0	1,135.4	97.0	855.7	100.0	5,116.4
250-1000	202.1	22.0	57.0	4.0	174.8	13.0	40.6	3.0	-	-	474.5
>1000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	917.1	100.0	1,301.7	100.0	1,340.4	100.0	1,176.0	100.0	855.7	100.0	5,590.9

Table: Block wise area	of Chloride distribution
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GROUND WATER FLUORIDE DISTRIBUTION

The Fluoride concentration map is presented in Plate XIV. High fluoride concentration areas are not present within the district which makes the ground water by and large suitable for domestic purposes however; some scattered areas have shown moderately high concentration of fluoride in ground water. The areas with low concentration (i.e.,>1.5 mg/l) are shown in yellow color which occupy almost 92% of the district area indicating that it is suitable for domestic purpose. The areas with moderately high concentration (1.5 – 3.0 mg/l) are shown in green color patches which are seen to have scattered in eastern and western part of the district, largely around Keshorai Patan.

Fluoride concentration			E	Block wi	ise area co	overage	(sq km)				Total Area
range (mg/l)	Bu	ndi	Hindoli		Keshorai Patan		Nainwa		Talera		Total Area
(Ave. of years 2005-09)	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	(sq km)
<1.5	854.6	93.2	1,250.0	96.0	1,072.3	80.0	1,175.8	100.0	809.3	94.6	5,162.0
1.5-3.0	62.5	6.8	51.7	4.0	268.1	20.0	0.2	-	46.4	5.4	428.9
>3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	917.1	100.0	1,301.7	100.0	1,340.4	100.0	1,176.0	100.0	855.7	100.0	5,590.9

Table: Block wise area of Fluoride distribution

GROUND WATER NITRATE DISTRIBUTION

High nitrate concentration in ground water renders it unsuitable for agriculture purposes. Plate XV shows distribution of Nitrate in ground water. Low nitrate concentration area (<50 mg/l) is seen in yellow color and occupies approximately 80% of the district area which is suitable for agriculture purpose. The areas with moderately high nitrate concentration (50-100 mg/l) are shown in green color occupy approximately 17% of the district area, largely northwestern part of the district within phyllite aquifers. Remaining part of the district area is covered with high nitrate concentration (>100 mg/l) which is shown in red colored patches, also seen within phyllite aquifers north of GBF and in these areas the ground water is not suitable for agriculture purpose.

Nitrate concentration			E	Block wise area coverage (sq km)								
range (mg/l)	Bu	ndi	Hind	Hindoli		Keshorai Patan		Nainwa		era	Total Area (sq km)	
(Ave. of years 2005-09)	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	(sq kiii)	
<50	774.4	84.4	821.2	63.1	1,262.2	94.2	810.4	68.9	807.6	94.4	4,475.8	
50-100	138.0	15.0	389.9	30.0	78.2	5.8	314.5	26.7	48.1	5.6	968.7	
>100	4.7	0.5	90.6	7.0	-	-	51.1	4.3	-	-	146.4	
Total	917.1	100.0	1,301.7	100.0	1,340.4	100.0	1,176.0	100.0	855.7	100.0	5,590.9	

Table: Block wise area of Nitrate distribution





















The thick alluvial deposits are underlain by bedrock of different lithology and age. Plate XVI depicts the bedrock depth from ground level in Bundi district. Since weathered and fractured bedrock is also significant from hydrogeologic view point, the beginning of massive bedrock (end of weathered and fractured zone or alluvial material) has been considered for defining top of bedrock depth. Depth variation in Bundi district does not appear to vary significantly since it does not go deeper than 40m bgl within the district. The major rocks types constituting the bedrock are limestone, sandstone, phyllites and schist. Central part of the district i.e., in Bundi, Hindoli, Keshorai Patan and Talera blocks and northern part of Nainwa bedrock depth is less than 20m bgl. Deepest bedrock has been encountered NearIndragarh town and Nainwa blockwhere it reaches to more than 40m deep.

Douth to hodrock		Block wise area coverage (sq km)									Total Area	
Depth to bedrock	Bu	Bundi		Hindoli		Keshorai Patan		wa	Talera		(sq km)	
(m bgl)	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	(sq kiii)	
<20	913.1	99.6	751.3	57.7	397.7	29.7	438.8	37.3	855.7	100.0	3,356.6	
20-40	4.0	0.4	550.4	42.3	794.8	59.3	721.7	61.4	-	-	2,070.9	
>40	-	-	-	-	147.9	11.0	15.5	1.3	-	-	163.4	
Total	917.1	100.0	1,301.7	100.0	1,340.4	100.0	1,176.0	100.0	855.7	100.0	5,590.9	

UNCONFINED AQUIFER

Alluvial material forms aquifers in most of eastern half of the district. The thickness of unconfined aquifer varies from less than 10 m south of Lakheri to more than about 20m to the east of Keshorai Patan block. Small portion of the area are covered with alluvial aquifer in Bundi and Telera blocks. Weathered, fractured and jointed rock formations occurring at shallower depths constitute good unconfined aquifers. Such aquifers under unconfined conditions are spread almost in the entire district excluding eastern parts of the district. This productive zone attains very high thickness of more than 50m to the north of Ninwa and western fringe of Hindoli. However, the major part of the district has less than 20m thickness in the district.

Alluvial areas

Unconfined aquifer		Block wise area coverage (sq km)							
Thickness (m)	Bundi	Hindoli	Keshorai Patan	Nainwa	Talera	(sq km)			
< 10	162.5	-	508.7	-	76.2	747.4			
> 10	8.4	-	402.3	-	105.7	516.4			
Total	170.9	-	911.0	-	181.9	1,263.8			

Hardrock areas

Unconfined aquifer		Block w	ise area coverage	e (sq km)		Total Area
Thickness (m)	Bundi	Hindoli	Keshorai Patan	Nainwa	Talera	(sq km)
< 10	624.4	707.9	411.3	736.1	634.5	3,114.2
10-20	121.8	302.6	18.1	345.7	39.3	827.5
20-30	-	196.2	-	68.6	-	264.8
30-40	-	79.6	-	19.0	-	98.6
40-50	-	15.4	-	5.8	-	21.2
> 50	-	-	-	0.8	-	0.8
Total	746.2	1,301.7	429.4	1,176.0	673.8	4,327.1













Glossary of terms

S. No.	Technical Terms	Definition
1	AQUIFER	A saturated geological formation which has good permeability to
1	Additeit	supply sufficient quantity of water to a Tube well, well or spring.
2	ARID CLIMATE	Climate characterized by high evaporation and low precipitation.
3	ARTIFICIAL RECHARGE	Addition of water to a ground water reservoir by man-made activity
4	CLIMATE	The sum total of all atmospheric or meteorological influences principally temperature, moisture, wind, pressure and evaporation of a region.
5	CONFINED AQUIFER	A water bearing strata having confined impermeable overburden. In this aquifer, water level represents the piezometric head.
6	CONTAMINATION	Introduction of undesirable substance, normally not found in water, which renders the water unfit for its intended use.
7	DRAWDOWN	The drawdown is the depth by which water level is lowered.
8	FRESH WATER	Water suitable for drinking purpose.
9	GROUND WATER	Water found below the land surface.
10	GROUND WATER BASIN	A hydro-geologic unit containing one large aquifer or several connected and interrelated aquifers.
11	GROUND WATER RECHARGE	The natural infiltration of surface water into the ground.
12	HARD WATER	The water which does not produce sufficient foam with soap.
13	HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY	A constant that serves as a measure of permeability of porous medium.
14	HYDROGEOLOGY	The science related with the ground water.
15	HUMID CLIMATE	The area having high moisture content.
16	ISOHYET	A line of equal amount of rainfall.
17	METEOROLOGY	Science of the atmosphere.
18	PERCOLATION	It is flow through a porous substance.
19	PERMEABILITY	The property or capacity of a soil or rock for transmitting water.
20	рН	Value of hydrogen-ion concentration in water. Used as an indicator of acidity (pH < 7) or alkalinity (pH > 7).
21	PIEZOMETRIC HEAD	Elevation to which water will rise in a piezometers.
22	RECHARGE	It is a natural or artificial process by which water is added from outside to the aquifer.
23	SAFE YIELD	Amount of water which can be extracted from ground water withou producing undesirable effect.
24	SALINITY	Concentration of dissolved salts.
25	SEMI-ARID	An area is considered semiarid having annual rainfall between 10-20 inches.
26	SEMI-CONFINED AQUIFER	Aquifer overlain and/or underlain by a relatively thin semi-pervious layer.
27	SPECIFIC YIELD	Quantity of water which is released by a formation after it's complete saturation.
28	TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS	Total weight of dissolved mineral constituents in water per unit volume (or weight) of water in the sample.







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S No	Myths	Facts
1	What is Ground Water an underground lake a net work of underground rivers a bowl filled with water 	Water which occurs below the land in geological formations/rocks is Ground water
2	Ground Water occurs everywhere beneath the Land Surface	Not really, it depends on the nature of rock formation
3	There is a relationship between ground water and surface water	Not all the places. Near streams/rivers there is relation
4	Groundwater is not renewable resource	It is renewable source and every year it is being recharged through rain/applied irrigation etc
5	Ground water is unlimited and deeper you drill more discharge	It is limited to annual recharge from rain/applied irrigation. The discharge may not increase if you go deeper
6	Ground Water moves rapidly	The movement of ground water is very slow
7	Ground water pumped from wells is thousands of years old	Generally the ground water being tapped through wells is a few years old
8	If water taste good—it is safe to drink	It may have other chemicals e.g. fluoride, nitrates etc which are harmful
9	Water from free flowing tube wells is very pure	This water can also be contaminated so test before use
10	If I recharge my TW/DW/HP it will not benefit me	It will also benefit you and also adjoing wells
11	There is no static ground water resources in Rajasthan	Rajasthan is also having Static GW resources, and being tapped in most of areas as GW annual withdrawal is more than annual recharge
12	I cannot meet annual cooking and drinking water requirement by rain water harvesting	The water requirement for drinking and cooking is only 8 lit/day. You can harvest this water for family of 5 persons from roof top or paved area of 75 Sq m to meet annual requirement
13	You can increase ground water recharge	This can be done by harvesting the rain water and storing in sub surface reservoir (GW) by constructing the recharge structures
14	You cannot use abandoned TW/HP/DW for ground water recharge	These should be used as recharge structures as harvested rain water is directly put into GW reservoir
15	Putting waste near HP/TW will not cause any problem	Such actions will pollute wells and water

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