

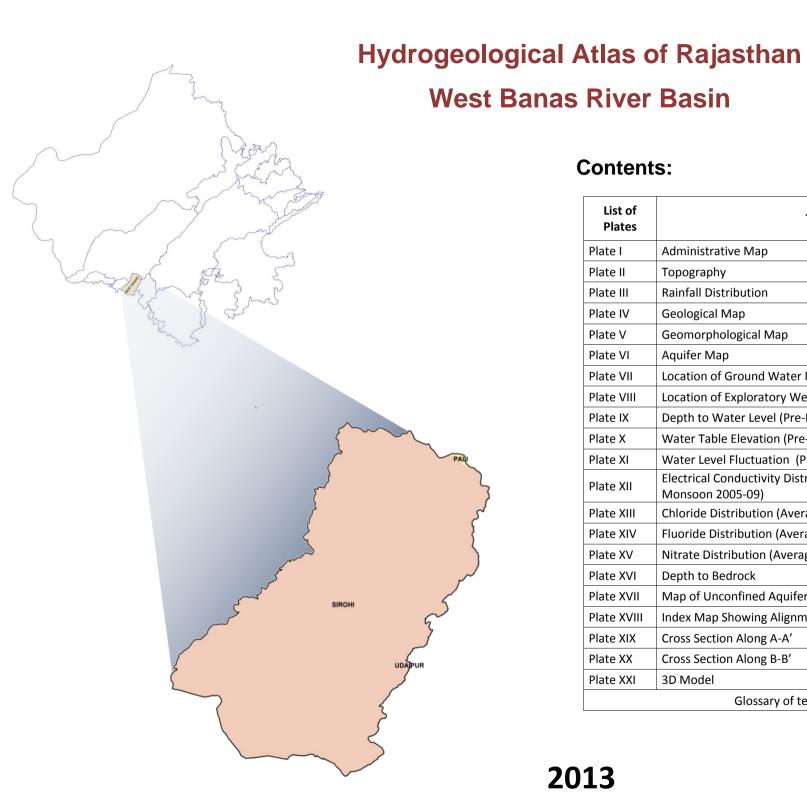
Hydrogeological Atlas of Rajasthan

West Banas River Basin









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ADMINISTRATIVE SETUP



WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

Location:

The West Banas River Basin is located in the southwestern part of Rajasthan. It stretches between 24° 19' 55.98" to 24° 54' 51.02" North latitude and 72° 35' 22.07" to 73° 10' 03.50" East longitudes. The basin extends in a broadly N-S direction and is bounded by the Sabarmati River Basins in the eastern side, the Sukli River Basin in the west, Luni River Basin in the north and northwest; and the southern and southeastern part of the border is shared administratively with Gujarat State. The basin extends over parts of Sirohi, Pali and Udaipur Districts. The total catchment area of the basin is very small and extends over an approximate area of 1,876 sq km.

The West Banas River originates the hills south of Sirohi and Pindwara towns. It initially flows through a valley near Sirohi and Pindwara in the Mount Abu range of Aravalli hills. It flows for a distance of 50 kms in Rajasthan state before entering Gujarat. The basin has a well-developed drainage system and the main tributaries of West Banas River are Kukli Nadi, Danot Nadi, Sangbaria Nala, Gangari Nala, Gabir Nala, Batriya Nadi, Kaleri Nadi, Gomati Nadi etc.

Administrative Set-up:

Administratively, West Banas River Basin extends over parts of Pali, Sirohi and Udaipur districts encompassing 6 Blocks divided into 182 towns and villages. Major part of the river flows through Sirohi district where its catchment is about 99.8% implying that very minimal parts fall within the other two districts accounting for a total of just 0.2% of its basin area.

| S. No. | District Name | Area | % of Basin | Total Number of | Total Number of |
|--------|---------------|---------|------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 3. NO. | District Name | (sq km) | Area | Blocks | Towns and Villages |
| 1 | Pali | 2.5 | 0.2 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | Sirohi | 1,873.0 | 99.8 | 4 | 180 |
| 3 | Udaipur | 0.8 | - | 1 | 1 |
| | Total | 1,876.3 | 100.0 | 6 | 182 |

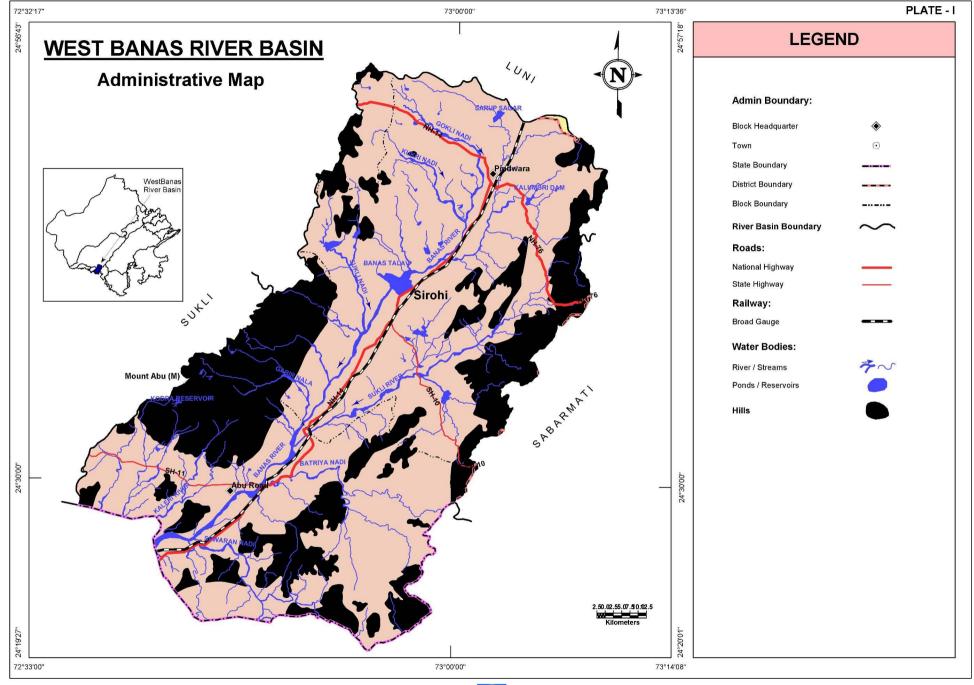
Climate:

The West Banas River basin is very small and falls at the fringe of Arid climatic region. Bye and large it is a dry area however surrounded by hills. It is extremely cold from October to February while turning hot from March to September. Summer records very high temperatures in the range of 47°C – 48°C but winters are chilly when temperature falls to about 2°C. The basin receives fairly low rainfall because the mean annual rainfall over West Banas River Basin was 767.7 mm, of which most of the rainfall is received during the four Monsoon months (June-September).











TOPOGRAPHY

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WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

The basin is bounded both in the east and west by prominent hills of Aravali range. The hills on the western side are higher and are part of Mt. Abu range. The streams originating from hills flow in E-W directions as well as in south-southwestern to contribute to the drainage to West Banas River's main course flowing towards southwest. Being part of the Mt. Abu range, the maximum elevation seen within the basin is about 1695m amsl. While the general elevation within hilly part is in the 250-750m range, the same in the non-hilly part is generally under 500m amsl. The hills in the eastern part re not as high as those in the west. The overall slope of the terrain is from a broad north to south – southwest. The lowest point is also in Sirohi district itself and is located near the exit point southwest of Abu road stands at just less than 220m amsl which leaves a relief difference presence in the valley to 217.5m amsl.

| S. No. | District Name | Min Elevation (m amsl) | Max. Elevation (m amsl) |
|--------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Pali | 392.5 | 499.8 |
| 2 | Sirohi | 217.4 | 1,695.0 |
| 3 | Udaipur | 454.6 | 892.3 |

RAINFALL

The general distribution of rainfall across the West Banas River Basin can be visualized from isohyets presented in the Plate III where, it is seen that the central part of the basin receives highest rainfall and also in in the western and southwestern part. There are two operational rain gauge stations operating within the basin which reveal a total average annual rainfall of 852 mm in the year 2010. Rainfall reduces as one moves towards northwest and southwest. The general rainfall range in the basin had been in the range of 800 to 1000mm. The rainfall data for available rain gauge stations is presented below.

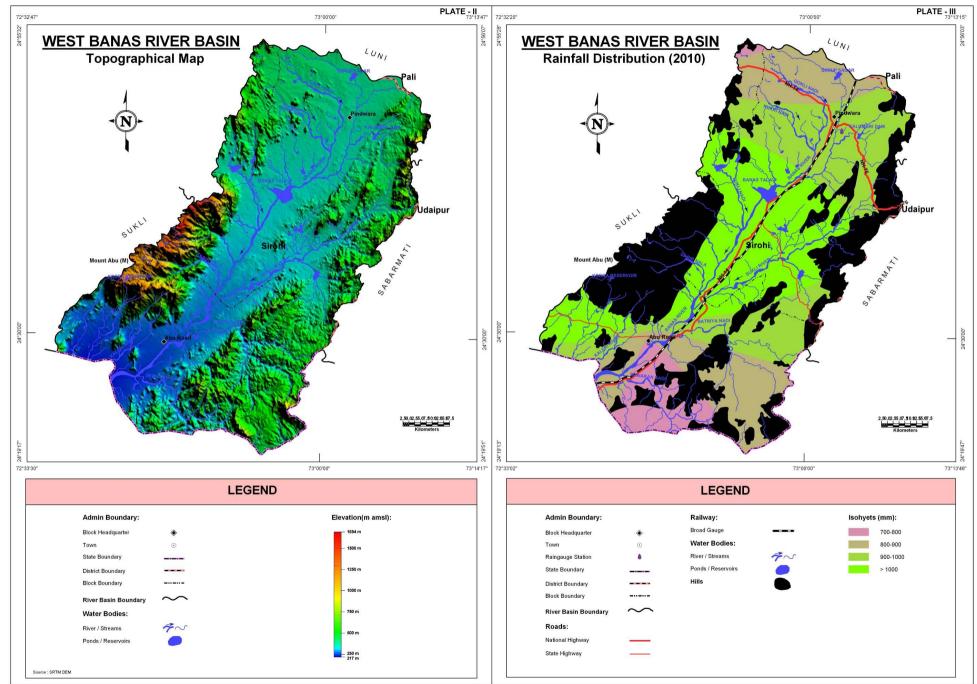
| S. No. | Rain gauge Stations | Total Monsoon Rainfall (mm) | Total Non-Monsoon Rainfall (mm) | Total Annual Rainfall (mm) |
|--------|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Abu Road | 678.0 | 97.0 | 775.0 |
| 2 | Pindwara | 768.5 | 161.2 | 929.7 |

Table: District wise total annual rainfall (based on year 2010 meteorological station recordings (http://waterresources.rajasthan.gov.in)













GEOLOGY



WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

The West Banas River Basin is covered mainly by the rocks belonging to the Pre-Cambrian rocks (Delhi Super Group) to Aeolian and Fluvial deposits of Recent to Sub-Recent age. Aravalli Super Group being the oldest in the area is represented by phyllites, and crystalline limestones whereas the quartzites, schists and phyllites primarily form the Delhi Super Group rocks in this basin.

| Age | Super Group | Group/ Formation | Rock Types | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Recent to Sub recent | t Alluvium | | Stream laid deposits, sand and gravel mixed with clay silt and kankar | | |
| | X | -xxx | Unconformityxxxxx | | |
| | Post Delhi | Malani | Rhyolite, Dolerite, Basalt, Jalore & Erinpura Granite | | |
| Lower to | xxxxxUnconformityxxxx | | | | |
| Upper Precambrian | Delhi | Aishgarh Carios | Phyllite, schist, gneiss, marble, amphibolites, calc-siticates, quartzite, | | |
| | Dellill | Ajabgarh Series | mica schist etc. | | |
| | X | -xxx | Unconformityxxxxx | | |
| Lower Precambrian | Aravalli | | Phyllite, crystalline limestone, quartzite and conglomerates with tuffs | | |
| | Alavaill | | and lavas. | | |

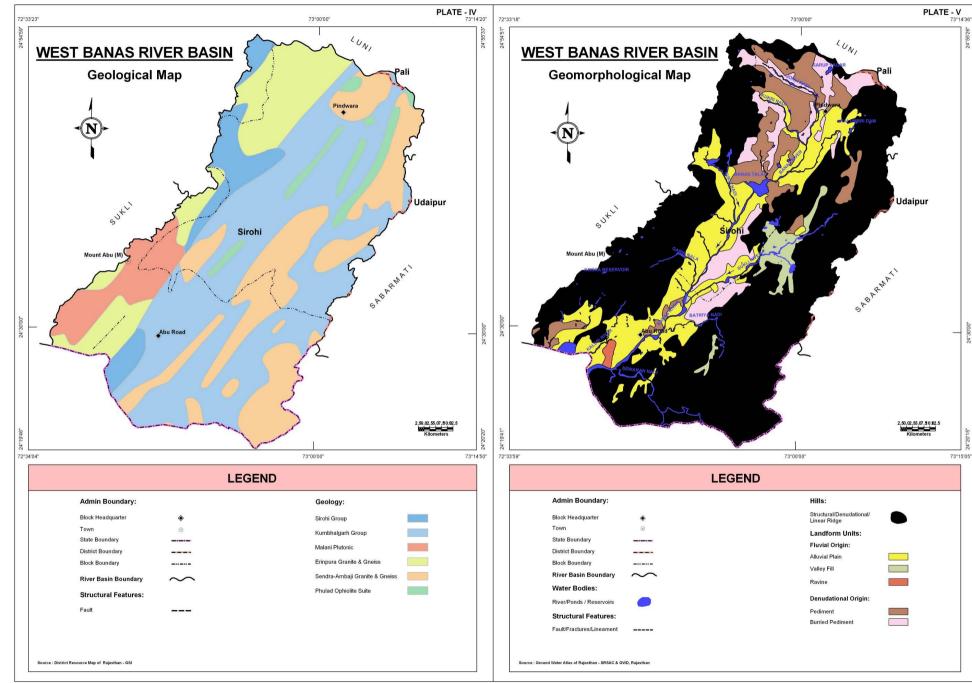
GEOMORPHOLOGY

| 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 |
| | Pediment | lithology, criss-crossed by fractures and faults. |
| | 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. |
| Fluvial | | Formed by fluvial activity, usually at lower topographic locations, comprising of boulders, cobbles, pebbles, gravels, |
| | Valley Fill | 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. |
| | Denudational, | Steep sided, relict hills undergone denudation, comprising of varying lithology with joints, fractures and lineaments. |
| Hills | Structural Hill, | Linear to arcuate hills showing definite trend-lines with varying lithology associated with folding, faulting etc. |
| | Linear Ridge | Long narrow low-lying ridge usually barren, having high run off may form over varying lithology with controlled strike. |















AQUIFERS

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

Weathered and fractured hardrocks seem to constitute most of the aquifer material in this basin since alluvium only contributes to 3.7% of the aquifer area of the basin. The schistose rocks occupy the central strip of the basin and longitudinally present all along the basin from north to south whereas, on either side of it, granite aquifer are formed. A thin strip of alluvial aquifers is seen along the course of West Banas River in the southern part where water is retained in primary pores of aeolian and fluvial sand, occasionally in gravels. Hills occupy very large part of the basin amounting to about 27% of the basin area.

| Aquifer in Potential Zone | Area (sq km) | % of Basin Area | Description of the unit/Occurrence |
|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| Younger Alluvium | 69.6 | 3.7 | It is largely constituted of Aeolian and Fluvial sand, silt, clay, gravel and pebbles in varying proportions. |
| Phyllite | 4.7 | 0.3 | These include meta sediments and represented by carbonaceous phyllite. |
| Schist | 613.6 | 32.7 | Medium to fine grained compact rock. The litho units are soft, friable and have closely spaced cleavage. |
| Granite | 652.7 | 34.7 | Light grey to pink colour, medium to coarse grained, and characteristically have porphyritic texture. |
| Non-Potential zone | 535.7 | 28.6 | Hills |
| Total | 1,876.3 | 100.0 | |

LOCATION OF GROUND WATER MONITORING WELLS

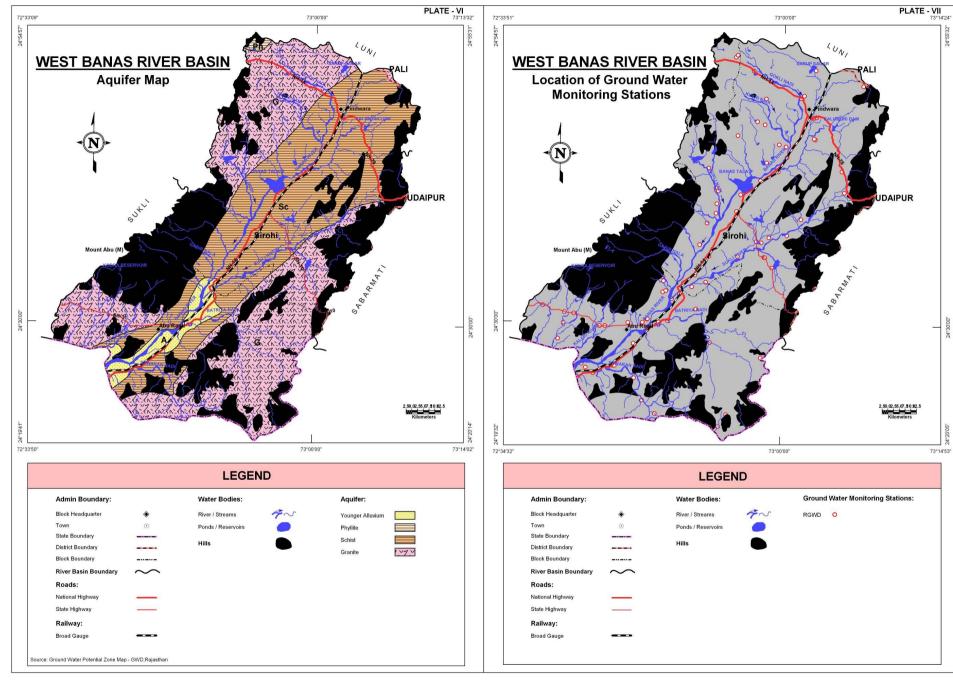
The basin has a well distributed network of large number of ground water monitoring stations (94) in the basin owned by RGWD only. CGWB incidentally, has no observation wells within the basin. Benchmarking study has revealed that the existing well network is appropriate and does not need any addition of wells to it.

| District Name | CGWB | RGWD | Total | Recommended additional wells for optimization of monitoring networ | | |
|---------------|------|------|-------|--|---------------|--|
| | | | | Water Level | Water Quality | |
| Pali | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Sirohi | - | 94 | 94 | - | - | |
| Udaipur | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Total | - | 94 | 94 | - | - | |















LOCATION OF EXPLORATORY WELLS

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

In all there are 52 exploratory boreholes present in the basin drilled in the past by RGWD (36) and only one by CGWB (16) that form basis for delineation of

sub-surface aquifer distribution. Map (Plate – VIII) reveals that while there are number of exploratory wells, evenly distributed in the basin.

| District Name | CGWB | RGWD | Total |
|---------------|------|------|-------|
| Pali | - | - | - |
| Sirohi | 16 | 36 | 52 |
| Udaipur | - | - | - |
| Total | 16 | 36 | 52 |

DEPTH TO WATER LEVEL (PRE MONSOON – 2010)

The general depth to water level in the basin ranges from 10 to 20 meters below ground level, accounting for about 82% of the basin. There are some patches in the central and northern parts of the basin which have shown slightly greater depth water level in ground water reaching to more than 20m bgl. In the southeastern part of the basin, south of Abu Road, the ground water occurs at shallow depths of less than 10m bgl.

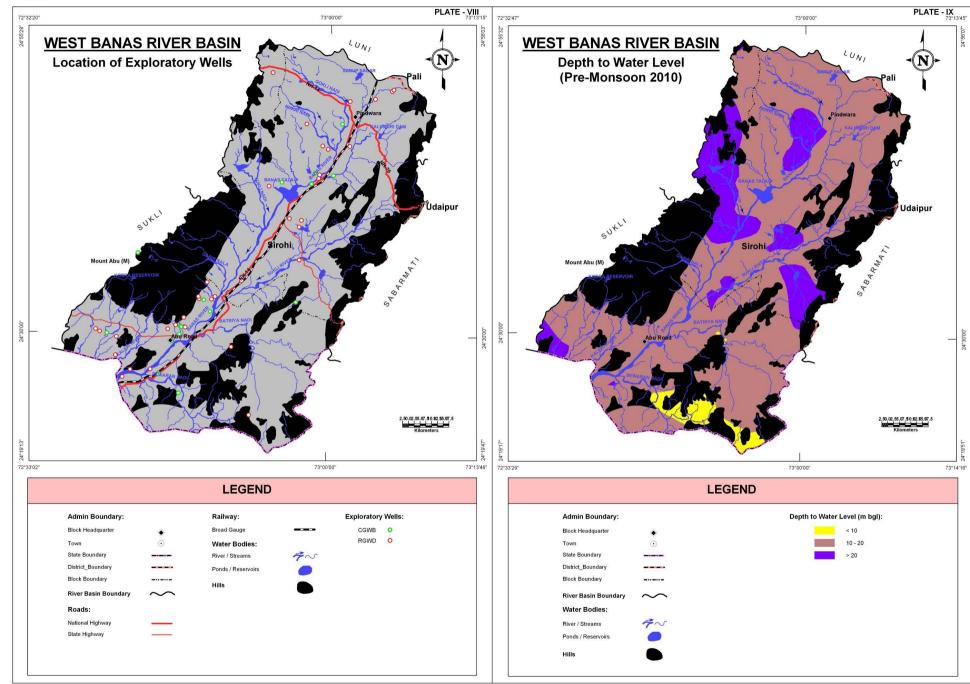
| Depth to water level | District | Total Area | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------|
| (m bgl) Pre Monsoon - 2010 | Pali | Sirohi | Udaipur | (sq km) |
| < 10 | - | 37.1 | - | 37.1 |
| 10 - 20 | 2.5 | 1,098.6 | 0.1 | 1,101.2 |
| > 20 | - | 202.3 | - | 202.3 |
| Total | 2.5 | 1,338.0 | 0.1 | 1,340.6 |

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















WATER TABLE ELEVATION (PRE MONSOON 2010)

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

Plate – X presents the distribution of ground water in the area and its flow directions. Water table elevation shows large variation (of about 220m) since the topography in the basin reaches a high of about 1700m amsl and low of about 220m amsl. Since the water table generally follows the topography, such variations are not exception. The overall flow direction of ground water in the basin is from northeast to southwest. High water table is seen in the vicinity of hills in northwest, northeast and southeastern parts which contribute to the ground water flow. In the middle of the basin where the topography is relatively flat, the ground water flow assumes a general southwesterly trend. The flow gradients are steeper in the vicinity of hills and flatter in plain areas and very sluggish in the area around Abu Road.

| Water Table Elevation | District wi | se area cover | age (sq km) | Total Area |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|
| (m amsl) Pre Monsoon - 2010 | Pali | Sirohi | Udaipur | (sq km) |
| < 220 | - | 49.8 | - | 49.8 |
| 220 - 240 | - | 114.8 | - | 114.8 |
| 240 - 260 | - | 72.3 | - | 72.3 |
| 260 - 280 | - | 102.5 | - | 102.5 |
| 280 - 300 | - | 146.1 | - | 146.1 |
| 300 - 320 | - | 110.9 | - | 110.9 |
| 320 - 340 | - | 178.6 | - | 178.6 |
| 340 - 360 | - | 163.3 | - | 163.3 |
| 360 - 380 | - | 167.9 | - | 167.9 |
| 380 - 400 | 2.1 | 132.6 | - | 134.7 |
| > 440 | 0.4 | 99.2 | 0.1 | 99.7 |
| Total | 2.5 | 1,338.0 | 0.1 | 1,340.6 |

WATER LEVEL FLUCTUATION (PRE TO POST MONSOON 2010)

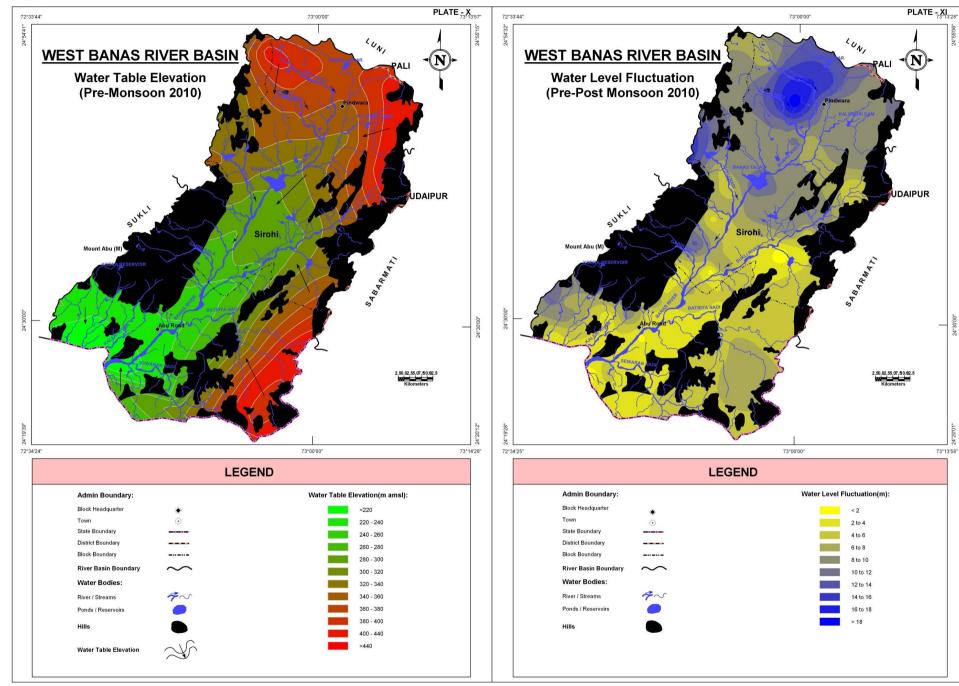
The Basin is primarily a hardrock aquifer terrain and the aquifers formed in alluvial area are very limited in distribution. The water level fluctuation map is presented in Plate – XI which indicates a large fluctuation range from less than 2m to more than 18m. The area with highest rise in ground water level is located in the northern part of the basin. Other than this pocket, the rest of the basin area has shown moderate fluctuation that is within 2m to 10m rise. In the southern part a general rise in ground water level between 2m to 6m is noticed. There is no area that has shown negative fluctuation.

| District Name | | District wise area coverage (sq km) within fluctuation range (m) | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----|--|--------|--------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------|---------|
| District Name | < 2 | 2 to 4 | 4 to 6 | 6 to 8 | 8 to 10 | 10 to 12 | 12 to 14 | 14 to 16 | 16 to 18 | > 18 | (sq km) |
| Pali | - | - | - | - | 1.0 | 1.5 | - | - | - | - | 2.5 |
| Sirohi | 8.6 | 211.9 | 324.3 | 226.3 | 346.6 | 103.6 | 57.6 | 39.0 | 17.6 | 2.5 | 1,338.0 |
| Udaipur | - | - | - | 0.1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.1 |
| Total | 8.6 | 211.9 | 324.3 | 226.4 | 347.6 | 105.1 | 57.6 | 39.0 | 17.6 | 2.5 | 1,340.6 |















ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY DISTRIBUTION

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

The Electrical Conductivity (at 25°C) distribution map is presented in Plate XII. Overall the basin has fairly good water quality from EC perspective since about 72% of the basin area has shown the EC to be less than 2000 μ S/cm (represented by yellow coloured regions). If we add the moderately high EC ground water areas to the low EC areas, about 93% of the basin area falls within <4000 μ S/cm category leaving just 7% of the area (EC > 4000 μ S/cm) as not fit for domestic purposes. The high EC areas are located in the central part of the basin along the course of West Banas River.

| Electrical Conductivity Ranges | D | District wise area coverage (sq km) | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|---------|-------|------|-------|------------|--|
| (μS/cm at 25 ^o C) | Р | ali | Siro | ohi | Uda | aipur | Total Area | |
| (Ave. of years 2005-09) | Area | % age | Area | % age | Area | % age | (sq km) | |
| < 2000 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 965.1 | 72.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 967.7 | |
| 2000-4000 | - | - | 275.4 | 20.6 | - | - | 275.4 | |
| > 4000 | - | - | 97.5 | 7.3 | - | - | 97.5 | |
| Total | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,338.0 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,340.6 | |

CHLORIDE DISTRIBUTION

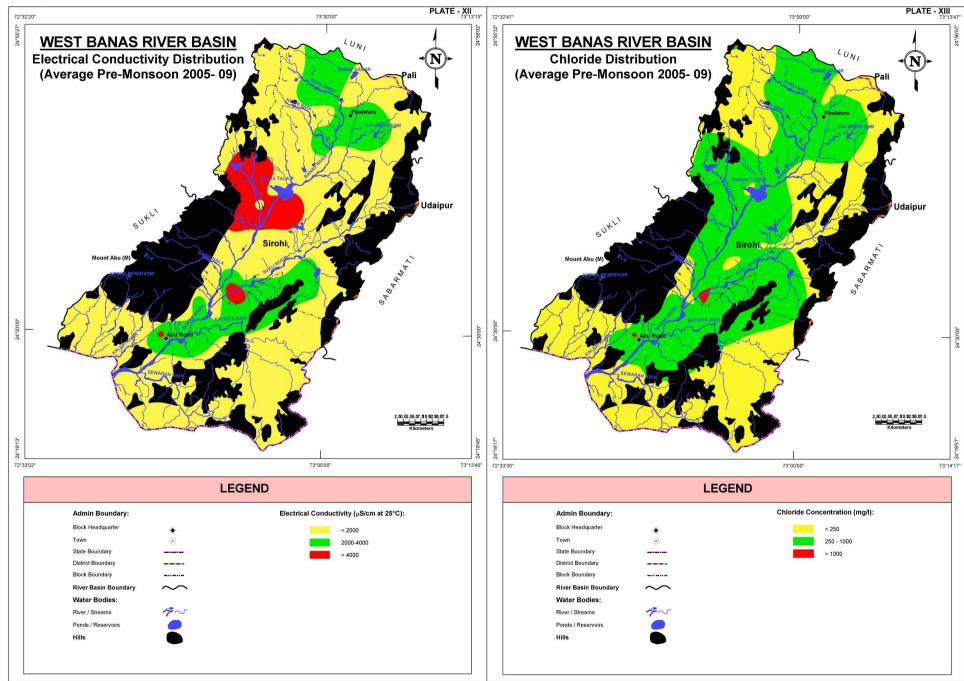
The Chloride concentration map Plate XIII shows the distribution of the same in ground water of West Banas River Basin. Very small area (about 3 sq km only) has high chloride concentration (>1000 mg/l). Interestingly, the low (<250 mg/l) chloride and moderately high (250-1000 mg/l) chloride concentration areas are equally distributed in the basin (48% and 52% area respectively). A closer perusal of the map reveals that the low chloride areas are present along the fringes of the hilly areas whereas the moderately high chloride areas are seen to be spread along the sides of the river course.

| Chloride Ranges | D | Total Area | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------------|---------|-------|------|-------|-----------|
| (mg/l) | Р | ali | Siro | hi | Uda | aipur | (sq km) |
| (Ave. of years 2005-09) | Area | % age | Area | % age | Area | % age | (sq kiii) |
| < 250 | 2.5 | 100 | 639.8 | 47.8 | 0.1 | 100 | 642.4 |
| 250 - 1000 | - | - | 694.9 | 51.9 | - | - | 694.9 |
| > 1000 | - | - | 3.3 | 0.3 | - | - | 3.3 |
| Total | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,338.0 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,340.6 |















FLUORIDE DISTRIBUTION

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

The Fluoride concentration map (Plate – XIV) displays multiple scattered patches of high fluoride concentration (>3 mg/l) which is surrounded but an even larger area having 1.5 - 3.0 mg/l of fluoride in ground water. Together these two areas combined (i.e., > 1.5 mg/l), occupy close to 43% of the basin rendering the ground water of limited use from fluoride concentration point of view. Correlating this with aquifer map (Plate – VI) further reveals that these areas directly correlate with the areas where the aquifer is formed in Granite flanking the hills. The more central part of the basin where aquifers are formed in alluvium or schist hold better ground water quality since fluoride concentration is, in general, low (<1.5 mg/l) within them.

| Flueride Densee (mg/l) | D | Total Area | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|------------|
| Fluoride Ranges (mg/l) | Pali | | Sirohi | | Udaipur | | Total Area |
| (Ave. of years 2005-09) | Area | % age | Area | % age | Area | % age | (sq km) |
| < 1.5 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 762.7 | 57.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 765.3 |
| 1.5-3.0 | - | - | 472.5 | 35.3 | - | - | 472.5 |
| > 3.0 | - | - | 102.8 | 7.7 | - | - | 102.8 |
| Total | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,338.0 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,340.6 |

NITRATE DISTRIBUTION

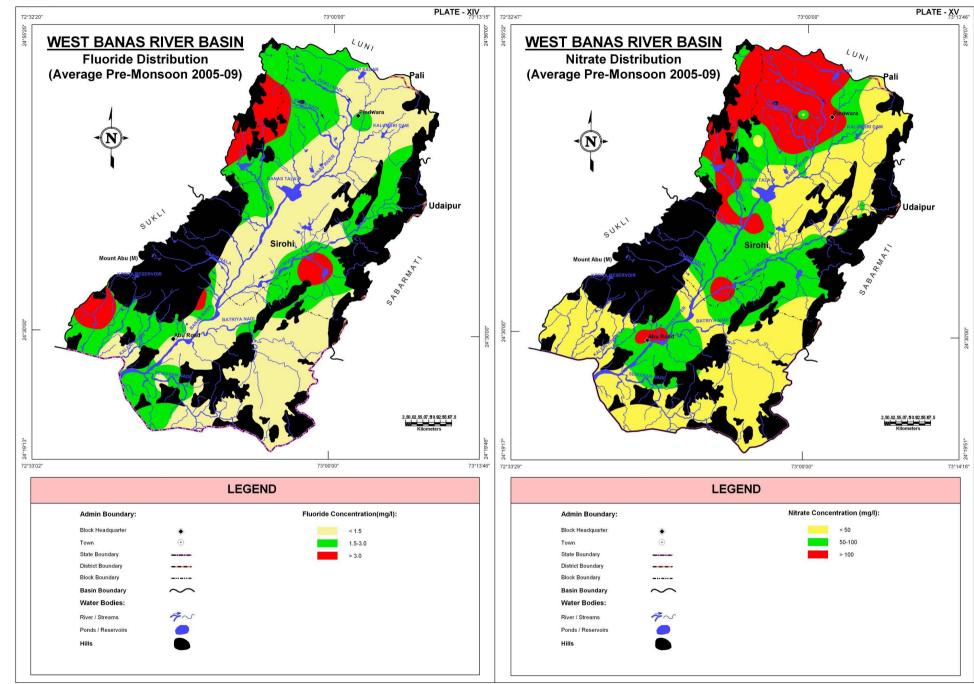
Plate – XV shows distribution of Nitrate in ground water of West Banas River Basin. High ground water Nitrate concentration areas are seen as a very large patch in the northwestern part of the basin and some scattered patches further downstream along the river. Such areas encompass about 21% of the basin area rendering it unsuitable for agriculture purposes. Surrounding these high areas are the moderately high areas (50-100 mg/l) shown in green colour that occupy about 31% of the basin area. Together the high and moderately high Nitrate concentration areas add up to about 42% leaving the remaining 48% area only where ground water is well suited for agriculture.

| Nitrata Dangas (mg/l) | D | Total Area | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|-----------|
| Nitrate Ranges (mg/l) | Pali | | Sirohi | | Udaipur | | (sq km) |
| (Ave. of years 2005-09) | Area | % age | Area | % age | Area | % age | (sq kill) |
| < 50 | 2.1 | 84.6 | 637.6 | 47.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 639.8 |
| 50-100 | 0.4 | 15.4 | 413.6 | 30.9 | - | - | 414.0 |
| > 100 | - | - | 286.8 | 21.4 | - | - | 286.8 |
| Total | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,338.0 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,340.6 |















DEPTH TO BEDROCK

WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

The hilly areas expose the bedrock and gradually into the plains, the thick alluvial pile conceals the bedrock under sand, clay and mix. From an aquifer perspective, the beginning of massive bedrock is taken to mark the start of bedrock and thus the weathered and fractured part of bedrock and alluvial cover constitutes the material above the bedrock. Plate XVI represents depth to bedrock in meters below ground level (bgl). 20m contour interval adopted for presenting the depth distribution reveals, that the central part of the basin has more than 20m indicating a greater depth of occurrence of massive bedrock whereas the areas to the north and south of this deeper bedrock zone, a lesser depth of <20m is seen.

| Depth to Bedrock | District wis | District wise area coverage (sq km) | | | | |
|------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|--|--|
| (m bgl) | Pali | Sirohi | Udaipur | (sq km) | | |
| < 20 | 2.5 | 730.0 | 0.1 | 732.6 | | |
| > 20 | - | 608.0 | - | 608.0 | | |
| Total | 2.5 | 1,338.0 | 0.1 | 1,340.6 | | |

UNCONFINED AQUIFER

Hydrogeological properties are different for alluvial and hard rock aquifers and therefore, this aquifer has been mapped as two separate regions viz, unconfined aquifers in alluvial and in hard rock areas. The same is presented in Plate XVII.

The alluvial aquifer is present in the southwestern part of the basin and is predominantly of eolian or fluvial origin represented by sand, clay and gravel. The thickness of unconfined aquifer in alluvial areas is often less than 10m (about 87% of alluvial aquifer part of basin) and only about 13% of the basin area has more thickness than 10m. In hardrock areas also the thickness of unconfined aquifer (weathered and fractured hard rock) is more as indicated by <20m thickness occupying about 33% of hardrock aquifer area and that about 99% of the area falls under the <60m depth category distributed all over the basin. In general, the northern part has lesser thickness of hardrock aquifer and the southern part has relatively more thickness of hardrock aquifers. The rock types that constitute these aquifers are mostly weathered/fractured Granite and Schist.

Alluvial areas

| Unconfined aquifer Thickness (m) | District | Total Area | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------|
| mickness (m) | Pali | Sirohi | Udaipur | (sq km) |
| < 10 | - | 60.7 | - | 60.7 |
| 10-20 | - | 6.6 | - | 6.6 |
| 20-30 | - | 2.3 | - | 2.3 |
| > 30 | - | 0.1 | - | 0.1 |
| Total | 0 | 69.7 | 0 | 69.7 |

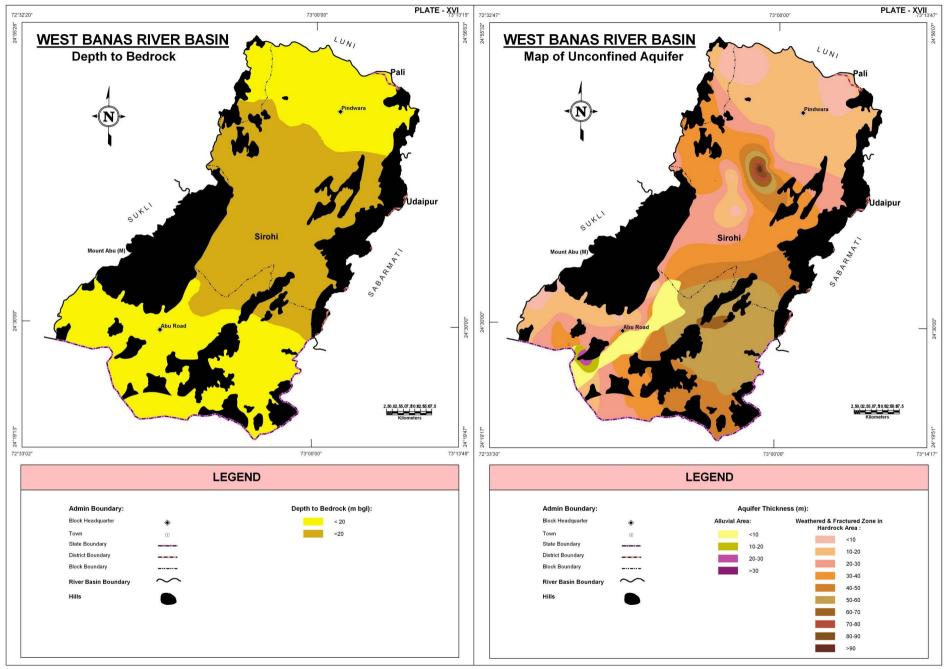
Hardrock areas:

| Unconfined aquifer | District w | District wise area coverage (sq km) | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|--|---------|---------|--|
| Thickness (m) | Pali | Sirohi | Udaipur | (sq km) | |
| <10 | 1.3 | 86.7 | - | 88 | |
| 10-20 | 1.2 | 329.5 | 0.1 | 330.8 | |
| 20-30 | - | 215.6 | - | 215.6 | |
| 30-40 | - | 259.9 | - | 259.9 | |
| 40-50 | - | 159.3 | - | 159.3 | |
| 50-60 | - | 198.4 | - | 198.4 | |
| 60-70 | - | 12.7 | - | 12.7 | |
| 70-80 | - | 3.4 | - | 3.4 | |
| 80-90 | - | 2.2 | - | 2.2 | |
| > 90 | - | 0.6 | - | 0.6 | |
| Total | 2.5 | 1268.3 | 0.1 | 1270.9 | |













CROSS SECTIONS



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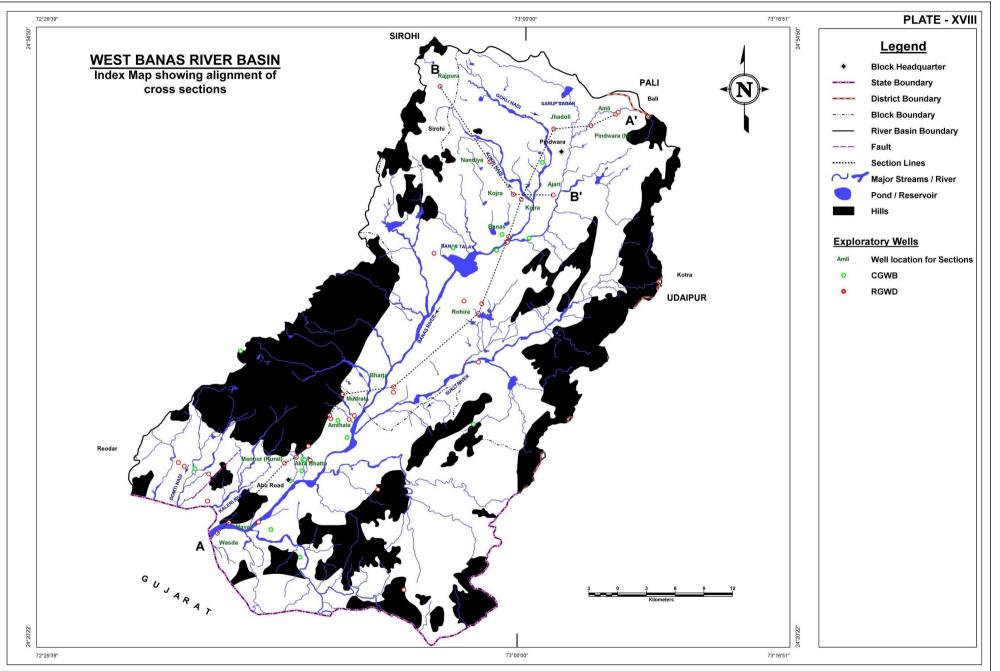
Several hydrogeologic cross sections have been drawn to better decipher the sub-surface distribution of lithology. These sections have been overlaid with geological maps and structural faults if there are any have been transferred for verification of their impact on sub-surface material disposition. The alignment of the cross sections is shown in Plate – XVIII and corresponding sections are presented in Plates – XIX to XX. The broad alignment of the sections is as given below:

| Name of Section Line | Orientation |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Section AA' | SW – NE |
| Section BB' | NW – SE |













CROSS SECTIONS



WEST BANAS RIVER BASIN

Section A-A':

The section A-A' (Plate – XIX) has been chosen with trend in SW-NE direction extending for a length of about 64 kms. The lithologs of 12 boreholes along with surrounding well information has been taken into account while preparing the section. The section depicts the disposition of different layers of sand and clay along with dolerite, schist and granite. On perusal of the cross section, it is apparent that the area is predominantly within hard and massive rock types. As the cross section is taken along the West Banas River, the southwestern and northeastern part the sandy aquifer is found. Clay occurs as thin lenses in the cross section. Two faults running almost parallel to each other separate schist from granite. The dolerite has intruded into the sequence as a dyke. The granite constitutes the bedrock that marks its presence throughout the section.

The water table elevation varies from 215m amsl to 370m amsl following the surface topography. The overall slope is from northeast to southwest.

Section B-B':

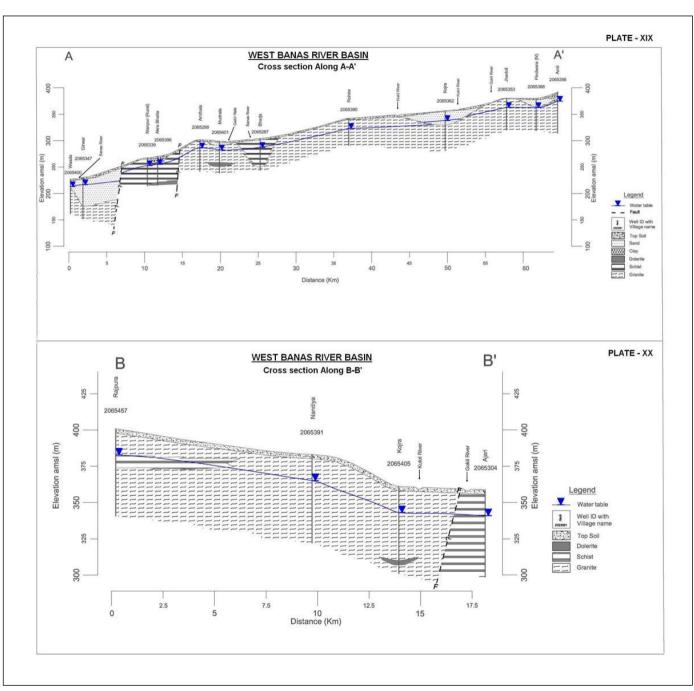
The section B-B' (Plate – XX) has been selected to represent a NW-SE profile of the sub-surface covering a length of about 17.5km. The lithologs of 4 boreholes along with surrounding well information is taken into account while preparing the section. The streams Kukri and Gokli cut across the section in the southeastern part. Granite is predominant in this section overlain by topsoil for its most part. In the southeastern part of the profile a fault is present separating granite in the northwest from schist in the southeastern side.

Water table elevation varies from 340m amsl to 380m amsl in this profile and water from northwest to southeast which also is the topographic slope in the section.















3D MODEL OF AQUIFERS

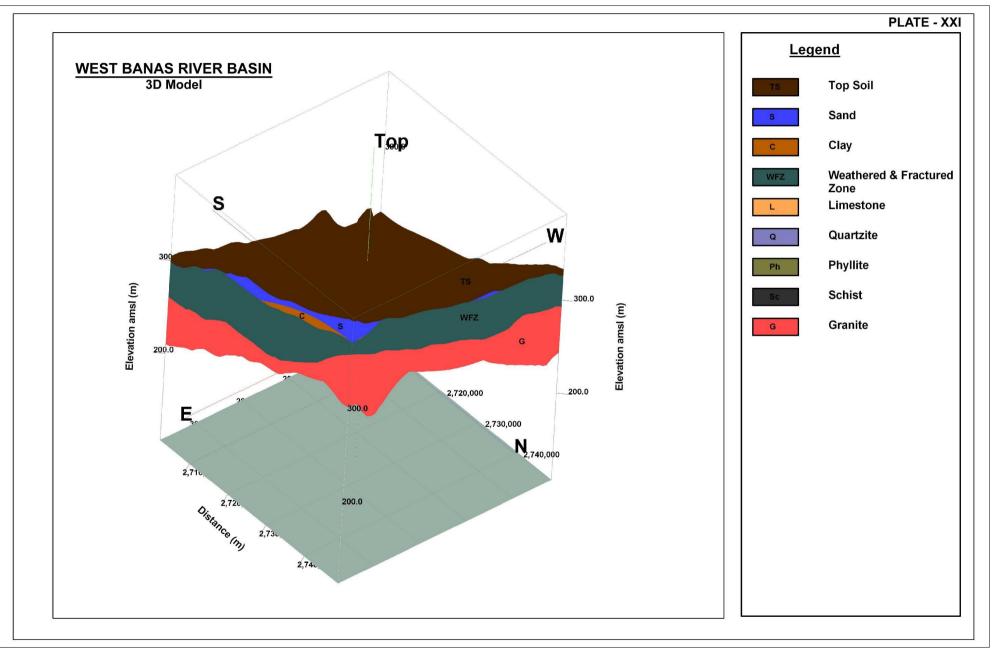
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The continuous litho-stratigraphic model has been developed for the West Banas River Basin using the data of scattered wells as input. 3D model depicts the sub-surface aquifer disposition of litho-stratigraphic units forming aquifers, aquicludes and aquitards in the area. Plate XXII presents 3D model depicting the various litho-stratigraphic units in the entire river basin. From this model it is apparent that beneath the top soil there is a persistent weathered and fractured bed rock acting as unconfined aquifers. Alluvium consisting mainly of sand, having limited spatial distribution in the southern part of the area is acting as unconfined alluvial aquifer in the basin. The limestone aquifer (first confined aquifer) occurs in south eastern part are found overlain by weathered and fractured bedrock in the basin.



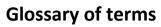














| S. No. | Technical Terms | Definition |
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| 1 | | A saturated geological formation which has good permeability to |
| 1 | AQUIFER | supply sufficient quantity of water to a Tube well, well or spring. |
| 2 | ARID CLIMATE | Climate characterized by 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 without 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 its complete saturation. |
| 28 | TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS | Total weight of dissolved mineral constituents in water per unit volume (or weight) of water in the sample. |

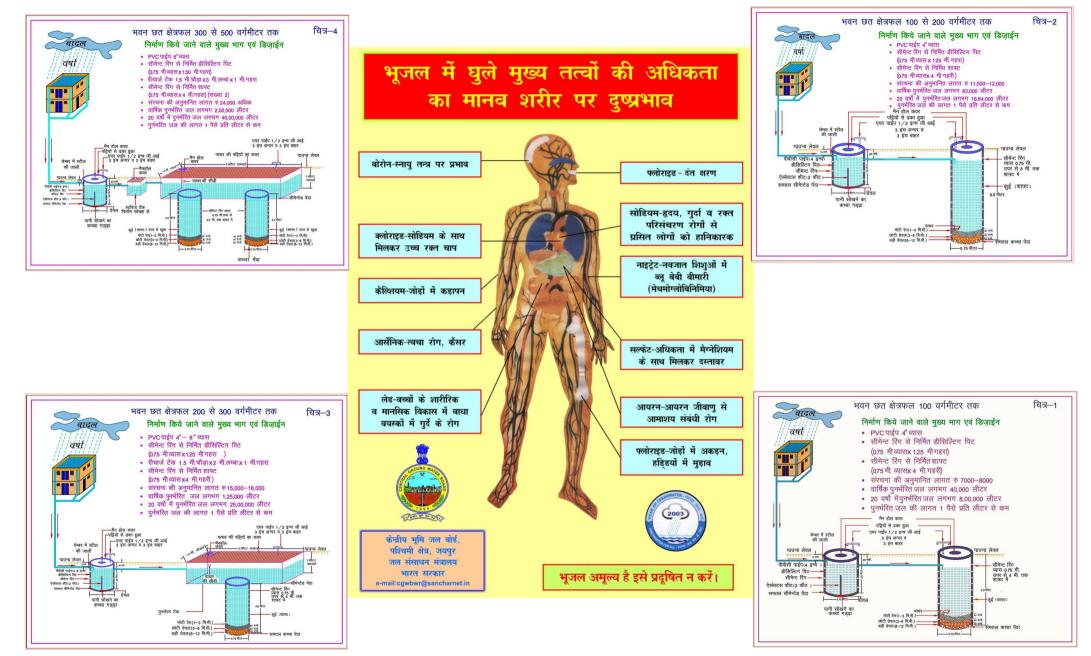
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| | | It is defined as the rate of flow through an aquifer of unit width and |
| 29 | TRANSMISSIBILITY | total saturation depth under unit hydraulic gradient. It is equal to |
| 29 | | product of full saturation depth of aquifer and its coefficient of |
| | | permeability. |
| 30 | UNCONFINED AQUIFER | A water bearing formation having permeable overburden. The |
| 50 | | water table forms the upper boundary of the aquifer. |
| 31 | UNSATURATED ZONE | The zone below the land surface in which pore space contains both |
| 51 | UNSATURATED ZONE | water and air. |
| 32 | WATER CONSERVATION | Optimal use and proper storage of water. |
| 33 | WATER RESOURCES | Availability of surface and ground water. |
| 34 | WATER RESOURCES | Planned development, distribution and use of water resources. |
| 54 | MANAGEMENT | |
| 35 | WATER TABLE | Water table is the upper surface of the zone of saturation at |
| 33 | | atmospheric pressure. |
| 36 | ZONE OF SATURATION | The ground in which all pores are completely filled with water. |
| 37 | ELECTRICAL | Flow of free ions in the water at 25C mu/cm. |
| 37 | CONDUCTIVITY | |
| 38 | CROSS SECTION | A Vertical Projection showing sub-surface formations encountered i |
| 50 | CROSS SECTION | a specific plane. |
| 39 | 3-D PICTURE | A structure showing all three dimensions i.e. length, width and |
| 59 | 5-D PICTORE | depth. |
| 40 | GWD | Ground Water Department |
| 41 | CGWB | Central Ground Water Board |
| 42 | CGWA | Central Ground Water Authority |
| 43 | SWRPD | State Water Resources Planning Department |
| 44 | EU-SPP | European Union State Partnership Programme |
| 45 | TOPOGRAPHY | Details of drainage lines and physical features of land surface on a |
| 43 | TOPOUNAFITI | map. |
| 46 | GEOLOGY | The science related with the Earth. |
| 47 | GEOMORPHOLOGY | The description and interpretation of land forms. |
| | | Monitoring of Ground Water level from the selected |
| 48 | PRE MONSOON SURVEY | DKW/Piezometer before Monsoon (carried out between 15th May |
| | | to 15th June) |
| | POST-MONSOON | Monitoring of Ground Water level from the selected |
| 49 | SURVEY | DKW/Piezometer after Monsoon (carried out between 15th |
| | 5011721 | October to 15th November) |
| 50 | PIEZOMETER | A non-pumping small diameter bore hole used for monitoring of |
| 50 | | static water level. |
| 51 | GROUND WATER | Change in static water level below ground level. |
| 51 | FLUCTUATION | |
| 52 | WATER TABLE | The static water level found in unconfined aquifer. |
| 53 | DEPTH OF BED ROCK | Hard & compact rock encountered below land Surface. |
| 54 | G.W. MONITORING | Dug wells selected on grid basis for monitoring of state water level. |
| - | STATION | |
| 55 | EOLIAN DEPOSITS | Wind-blown sand deposits |

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Myths and Facts about Ground Water

| 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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