

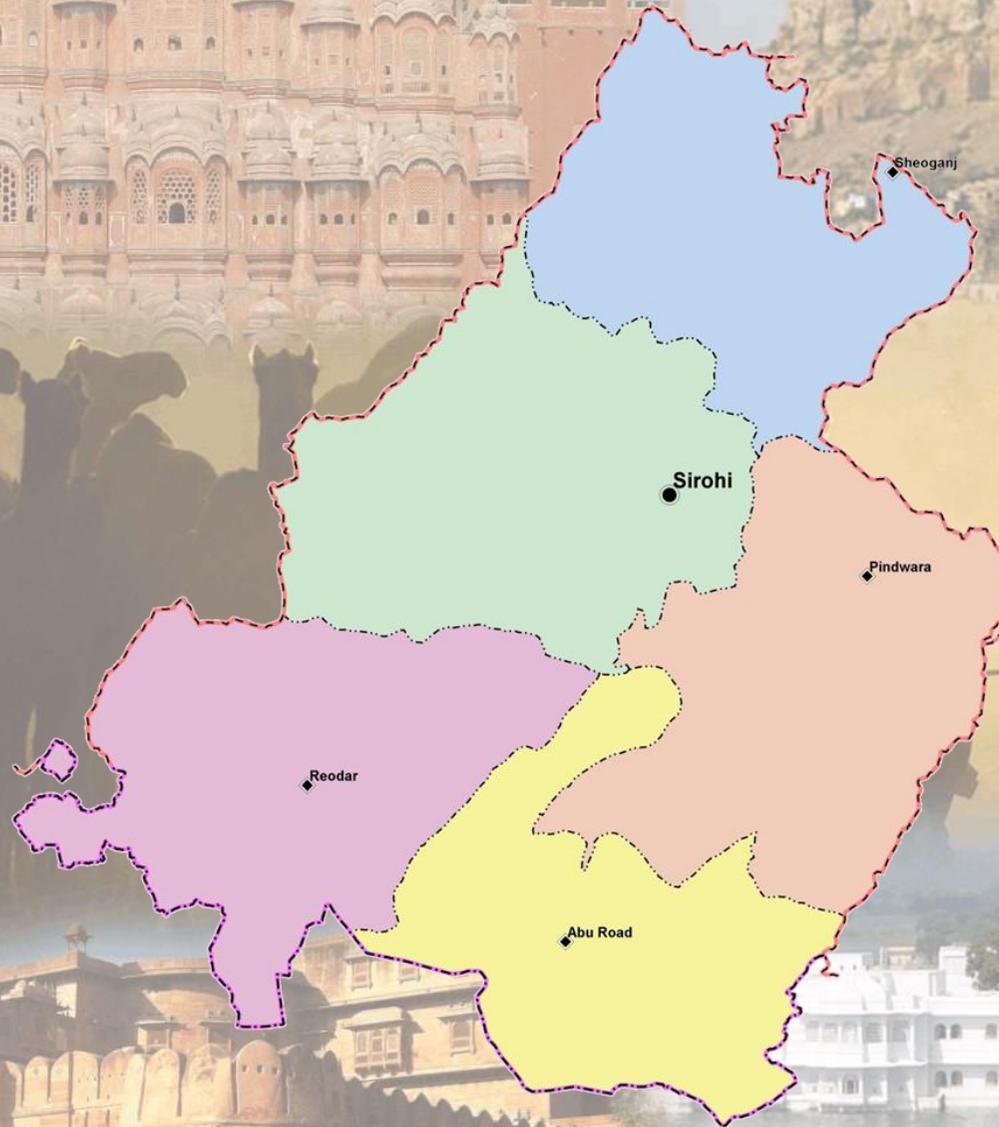


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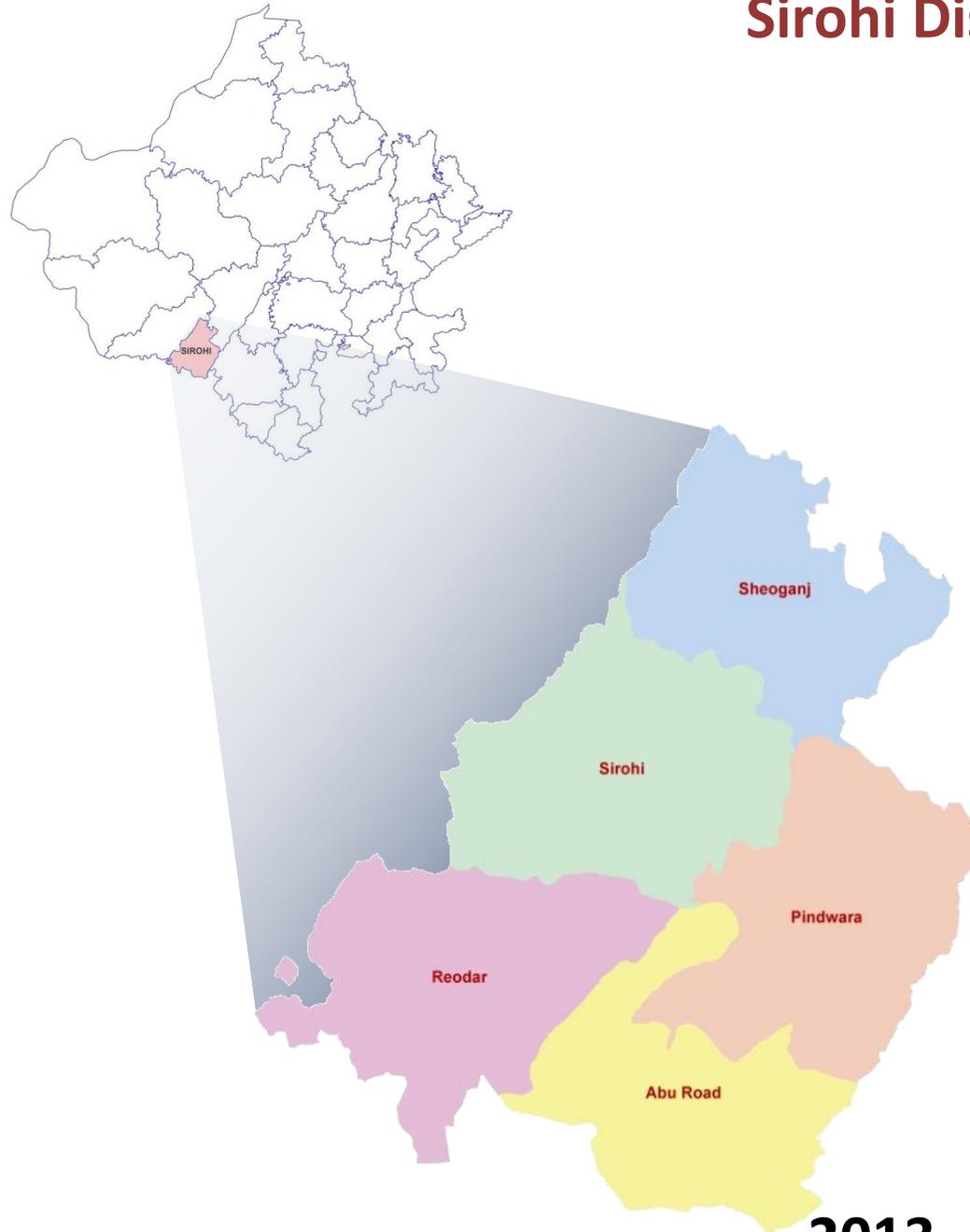
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ADMINISTRATIVE SETUP

DISTRICT – SIROHI

Location:

Sirohidistrict is located in the southern part of Rajasthan. It is bounded in the north by Pali district, in the east by Udaipur district, south by state of Gujarat and the western boundary is shared with Jalor district. It stretches between 24° 19' 34.72" to 25° 17' 21.54" north latitude and 72° 13' 52.86" to 73° 10' 44.57" east longitude covering area of 5,139.1 sq km. The district has well developed drainage system, as three major river basins constitute parts of the district, viz. 'Luni River Basin' occupies more than one third area of the district and drains the northwestern part, the 'West Banas River Basin' is next most important river in the basin and drains the southeastern part of the district and 'Sukli River Basin' occupies southwestern part. Apart from these three, 'Other Nallhas' and 'Sabarmati River Basin' also form small parts of the district.

Administrative Set-up:

Sirohi district is administratively divided into 5 blocks. The following table summarizes the basic statistics of the district at block level.

S. No.	Block Name	Population (Based on 2001 census)	Area (sq km)	% of District Area	Total Number of Towns and Villages
1	Abu Road	1,84,307	911.0	17.7	83
2	Pindwara	2,05,568	1,096.0	21.3	101
3	Reodar	1,75,344	1,084.0	21.1	126
4	Sheoganj	1,24,452	897.5	17.5	71
5	Sirohi	1,61,133	1,150.6	22.4	86
Total		8,50,804	5,139.1	100.0	467

Sirohi district has 467 towns and villages, of which five are block headquarters as well.

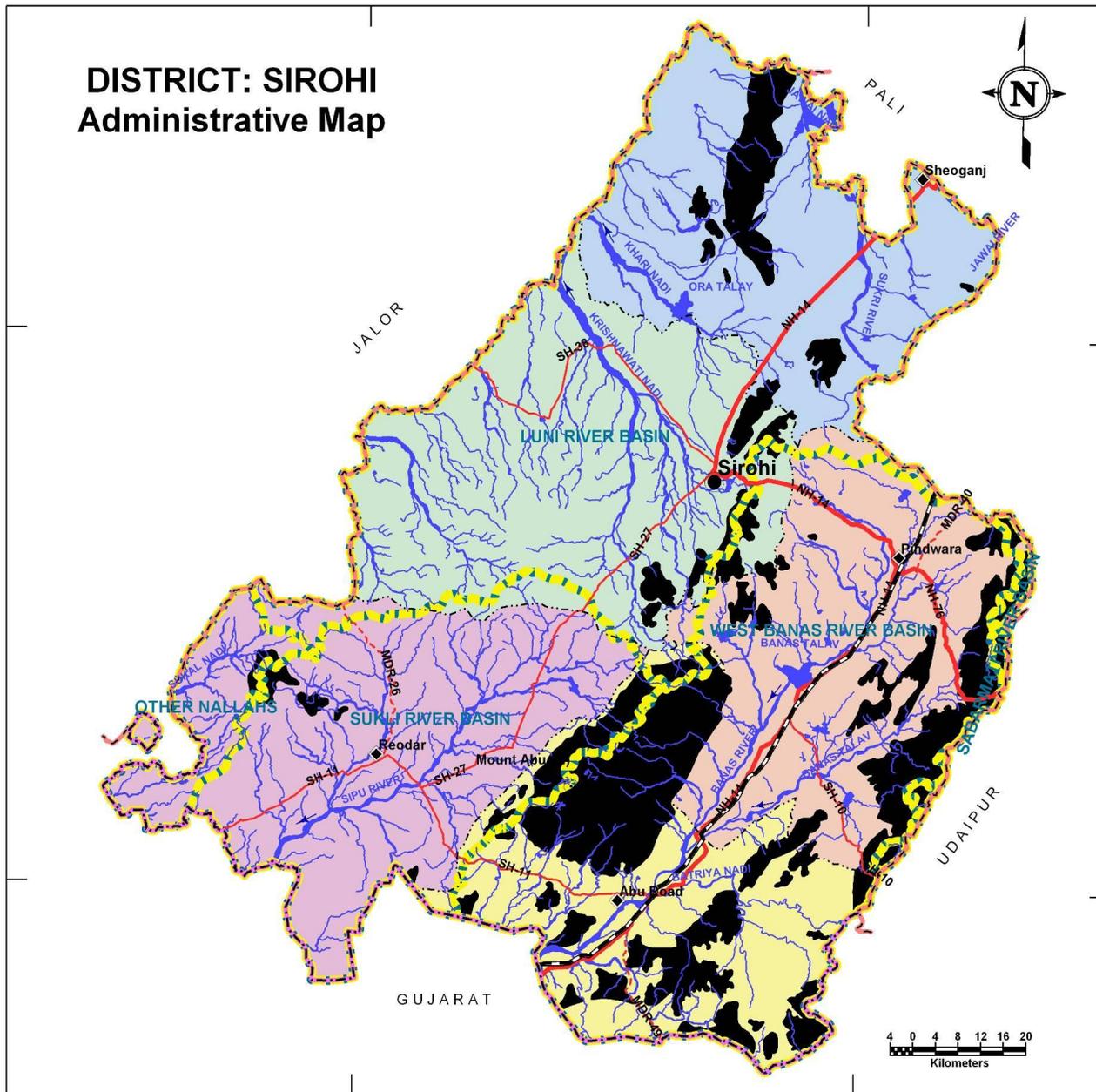
Climate:

The district is located on the eastern edge of semi-arid part of Rajasthan and therefore, the climate varies between dry and partially sub-humid. Maximum average temperature in this district is around 47 °C during summer months of March to June and minimum average temperature is 23 °C in winters. The temperature during winter season drops significantly to the range of 3-5 °C. The district experienced draughts of Pindwara (2000) and Reodar (1987). The monsoon season brings fairly good rains as indicated by the average annual rainfall of 741.1mm in the district.



PLATE - I

DISTRICT: SIROHI Administrative Map



LEGEND

Admin Boundary:

- District Headquarter
- Block Headquarter
- Town
- State Boundary
- District Boundary
- Block Boundary

Basin Boundary

Roads:

- National Highway
- State Highway
- Major District Road

Railway:

- Broad Gauge

Water Bodies:

- River / Streams
- Ponds / Reservoirs
- Hills



TOPOGRAPHY

DISTRICT – SIROHI

The district is characterized by undulating topography in the west and hilly in the northern, central and eastern parts of the district. Abu-Sirohi hill ranges divide the district in two parts. The highest elevation in the district is 1,689 m in Abu Road block. The main rivers of the district are Jawai, Sukri, Banas and Sipu, Rivers along with their tributaries creates well develop drainage system in the district. Excluding hilly areas, the general topographic elevation in the district ranges between 250 m to 500 m above mean sea level. Elevation ranges from a minimum of 184.0 m above mean sea level in Sheoganj block in the NE part of the district to a maximum of 1,689 m above mean sea level In Abu Road in southern part of the district.

Table: Block wise minimum and maximum elevation

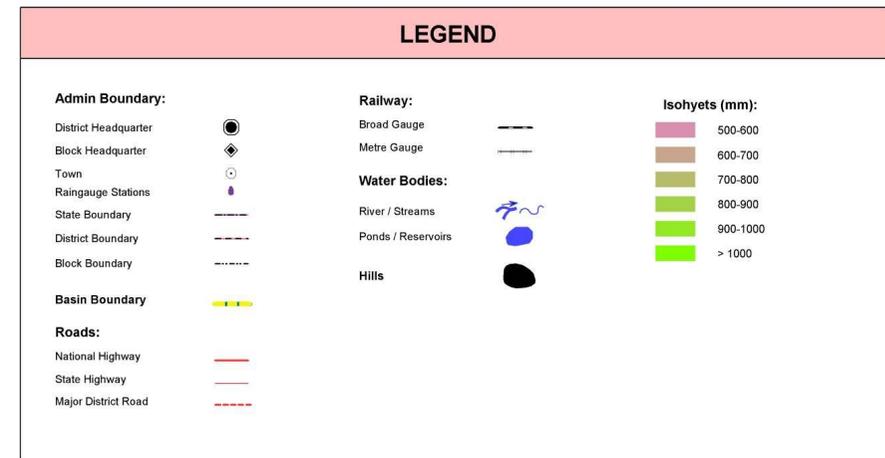
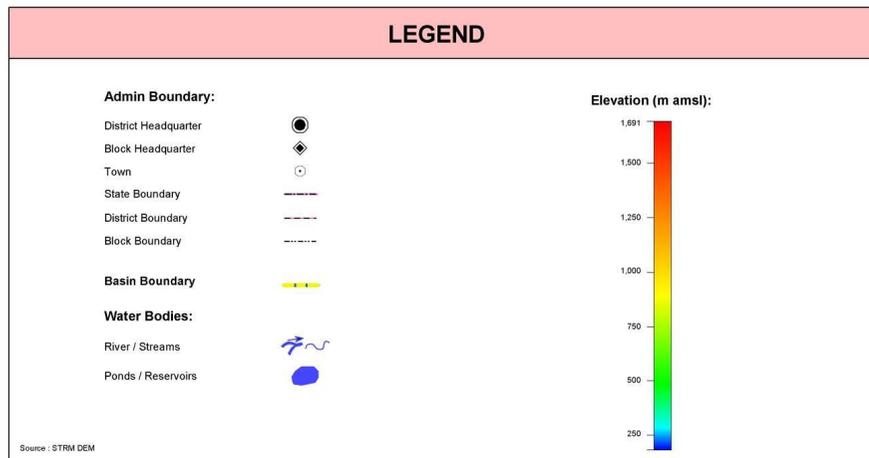
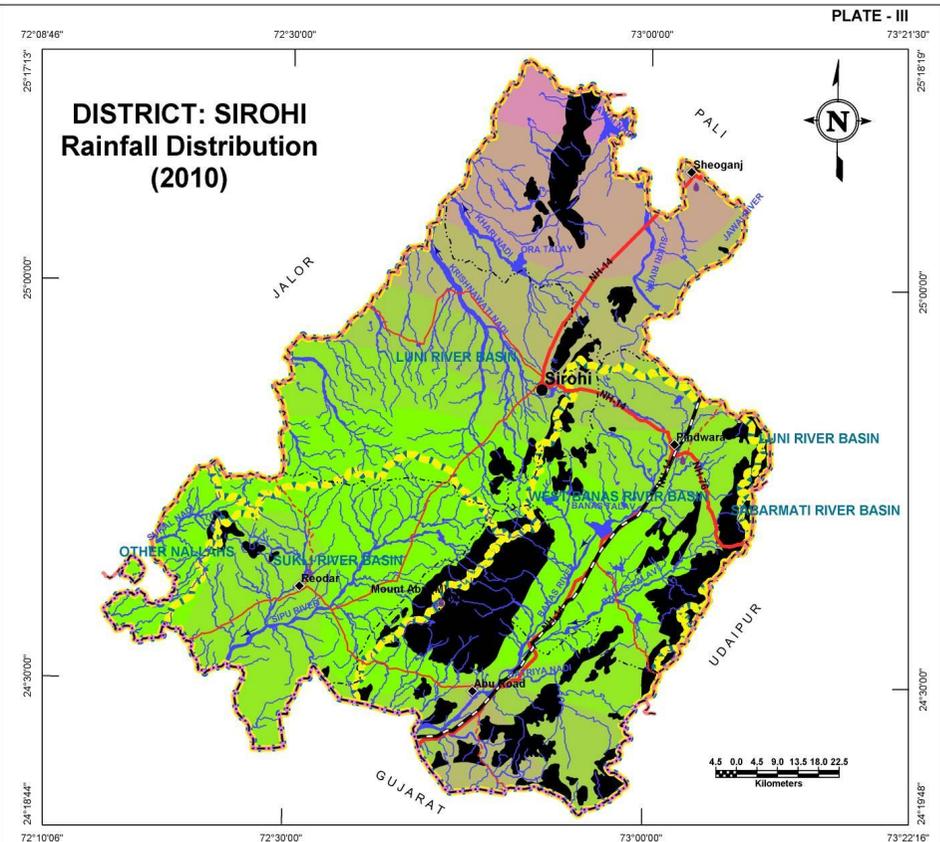
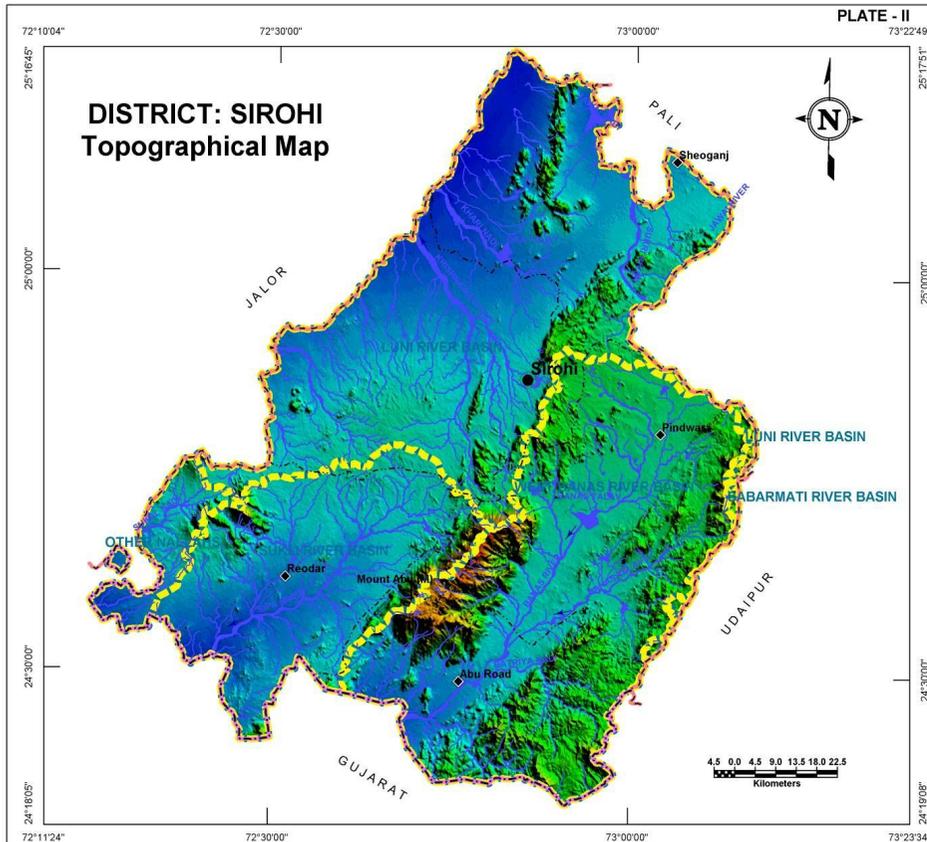
S. No.	Block Name	Minimum Elevation (m amsl)	Maximum Elevation (m amsl)
1	Abu Road	217.5	1,689.0
2	Pindwara	274.6	1,440.6
3	Reodar	191.2	1,046.8
4	Sheoganj	184.0	799.1
5	Sirohi	190.5	805.6

RAINFALL

The general distribution of rainfall across the district can be visualized from isohyets presented in the Plate – III. The rainfall is high in the central part of the district around the hills and decrease northwards and southwards from here. The general range of rainfall received in the year 2010 is from 900mm to more than 1000 mm across the district. The annual average rainfall is 933.7 mm based on the data of available blocks. Highest annual rainfall was noticed in Pindwara block (1,568.7 mm) whereas lowest was in Sheoganj block (569.3 mm). The highest average annual rainfall was noticed in Reodar block (1,059.7 mm)

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

Block Name	Minimum Annual Rainfall (mm)	Maximum Annual Rainfall (mm)	Average Annual Rainfall (mm)
Abu Road	769.7	1,650.3	1,009.8
Pindwara	779.1	1,568.7	1,016.1
Reodar	894.1	1,489.1	1,059.7
Sheoganj	569.3	807.0	662.9
Sirohi	682.0	1,234.7	920.0





GEOLOGY



DISTRICT – SIROHI

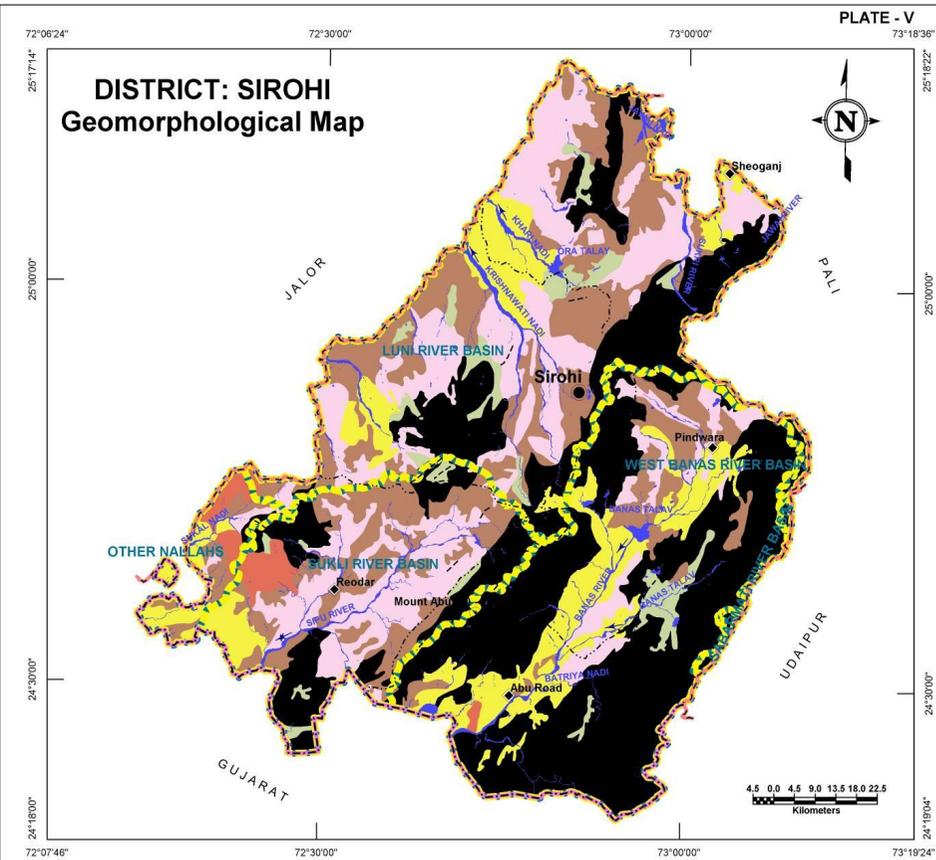
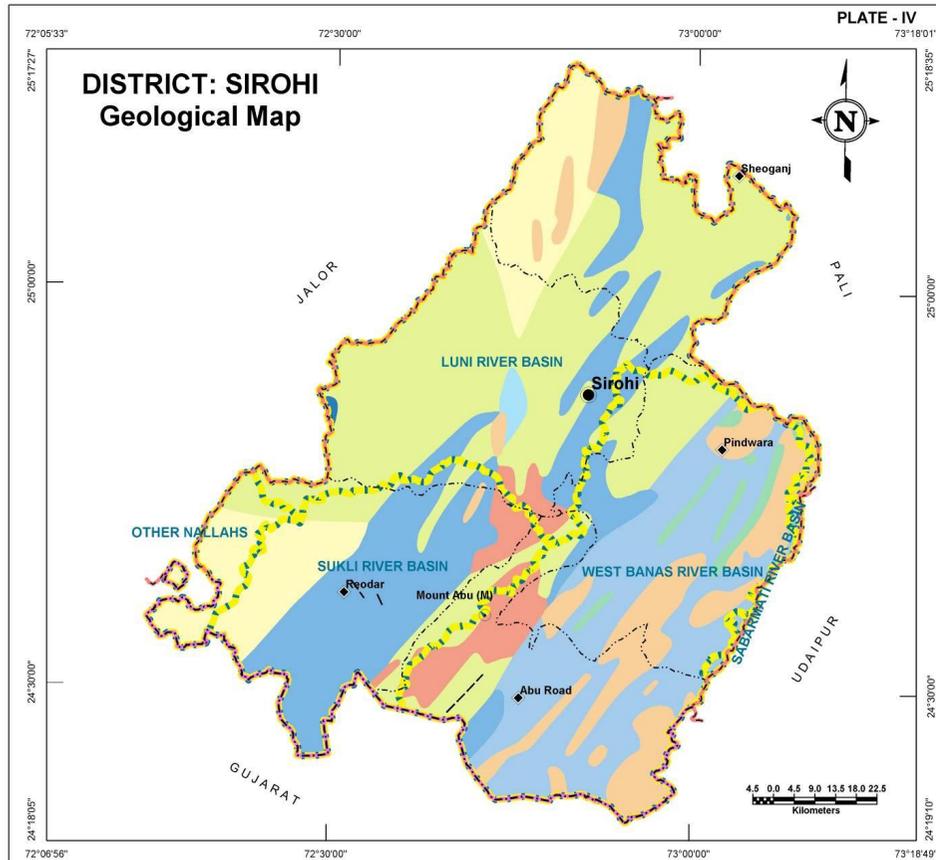
Alluvium and Wind-blown sand covers some areas in the northwest and southwestern part of the district. Sirohi Group is a part of Vindhyan Super Group which consist Quartzite, schist and marble. Sirohi Group exposed from north to southwest covering Sheoganj, Sirohi, Pindwara, and Reodar blocks of the district. The Delhi Super Group is divided into Kumbhalgarh, Senderth Ambaji, Phulad Ophiolite Suite and Ryanhala Group. Delhi Super Group consists of arkose, granite, gneiss, amphibolites, conglomerate and quartzite rock formation which are exposed in the eastern and southeastern parts of the district.

Super Group	Group	Formation
	Recent to Sub-Recent	Alluvium & Wind-blown sand
	Malani Igneous Suite	Dyke, Granites
	Erinapura Granite & Gneiss	Grey and Pink Granites, Granitic Gneisses
	Sindreth	Mafic and Felsic volcanics, conglomerate, quartzite
Vindhyan	Sirohi	Carbonaceous phyllite, quartzite, schists, marble.
Delhi	Ajabgarh/Kumbhalgarh	Arkose, marble, metabasalt, metapelite, metagreywacke
	SendrAmbaji Granite & Gneiss	Granite & Gneiss
	PhuladOphiolite Suite	Hornblends schist, amphibolite, pyroxene granulite, gabbro & ultramafics.
	Ryanhala	Conglomerate, Quartzite

GEOMORPHOLOGY

Table: Geomorphologic units, their description and distribution

Origin	Landform Unit	Description
Denudational	Buried Pediment	Pediment covers essentially with relatively thicker alluvial, colluvial or weathered materials.
	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.
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.
	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.
Hills	Denudational, Structural Hill, Linear Ridge	Steep sided, relict hills undergone denudation, comprising of varying lithology with joints, fractures and lineaments. Linear to arcuate hills showing definite trend-lines with varying lithology associated with folding, faulting etc. Long narrow low-lying ridge usually barren, having high run off may form over varying lithology with controlled strike.



LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Geology:	
District Headquarter	●	Alluvium and Wind blown sand	Yellow
Block Headquarter	◆	Sindreth Group	Light Blue
Town	○	Sirohi Group	Blue
State Boundary	---	Kumbhalgarh Group	Dark Blue
District Boundary	---	Mundwara Alkaline Complex	Dark Blue
Block Boundary	---	Malani Plutonic	Red
Basin Boundary	---	Volcanic Suite	Orange
Structural Features:		Erinpura Granite & Gneiss	Light Green
Fault	---	Sendra-Ambaji Granite & Gneiss	Orange
		Phulad Ophiolite Suite	Green

Source: District Resource Map of Rajasthan - OSI

LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Landform Units:	
District Headquarter	●	Fluvial Origin:	
Block Headquarter	◆	Alluvial Plain	Yellow
Town	○	Valley Fill	Light Green
State Boundary	---	Ravine	Red
District Boundary	---	Denudational Origin:	
Block Boundary	---	Pediment	Brown
Basin Boundary	---	Buried Pediment	Pink
Water Bodies:			
River/Ponds/Reservoirs	Blue		
Structural Features:			
Fault/Fractures/Lineament	---		
Hills:			
Structural/Denudational/Linear Ridge	Black		

Source: Ground Water Atlas of Rajasthan - SRSAC & GWD, Rajasthan



AQUIFERS

DISTRICT – JODHPUR

Alluvial aquifers occupy about 20% of the district area and prominent in northwest and southwestern parts of the district. Apart from this, the weathered, fractured and jointed openings in hardrocks also constitute good aquifers in the district as the granite aquifers occupy very large areas and occur as NE-SW trending wide belts in western, central and eastern parts. The other two hardrock aquifers are phyllite and schist appearing in the west and east of central hilly ridge line.

Table: aquifer potential zones their area and their description

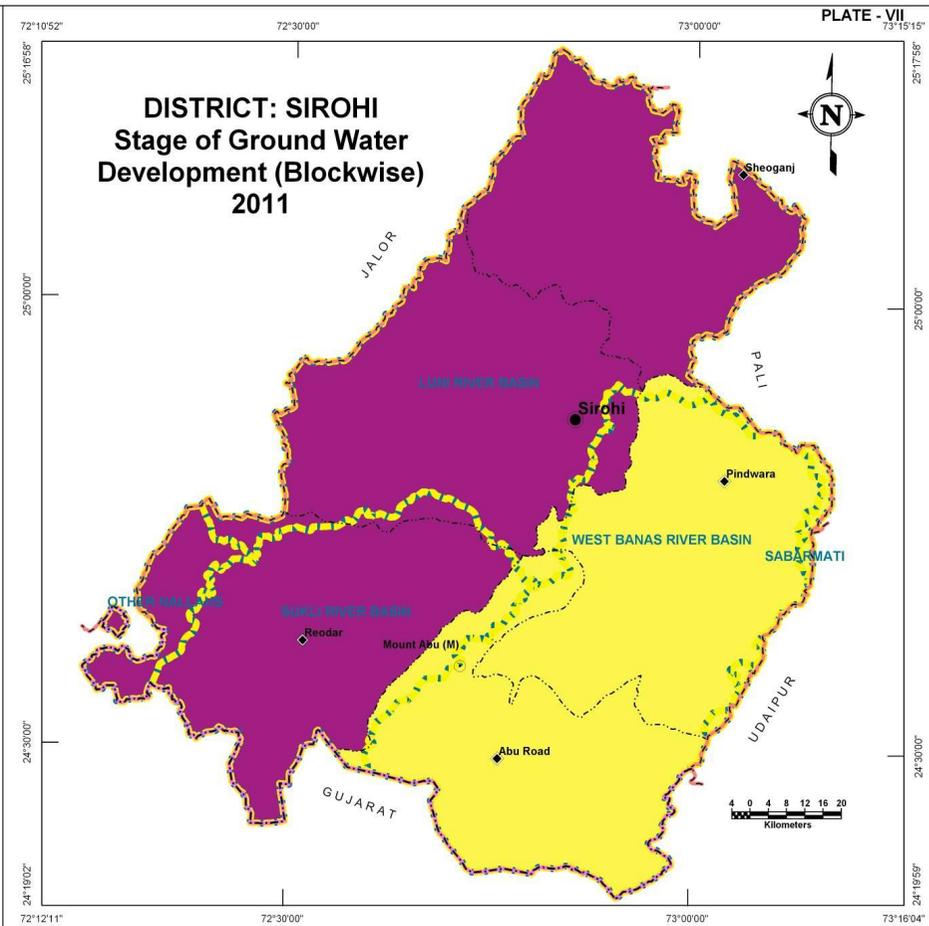
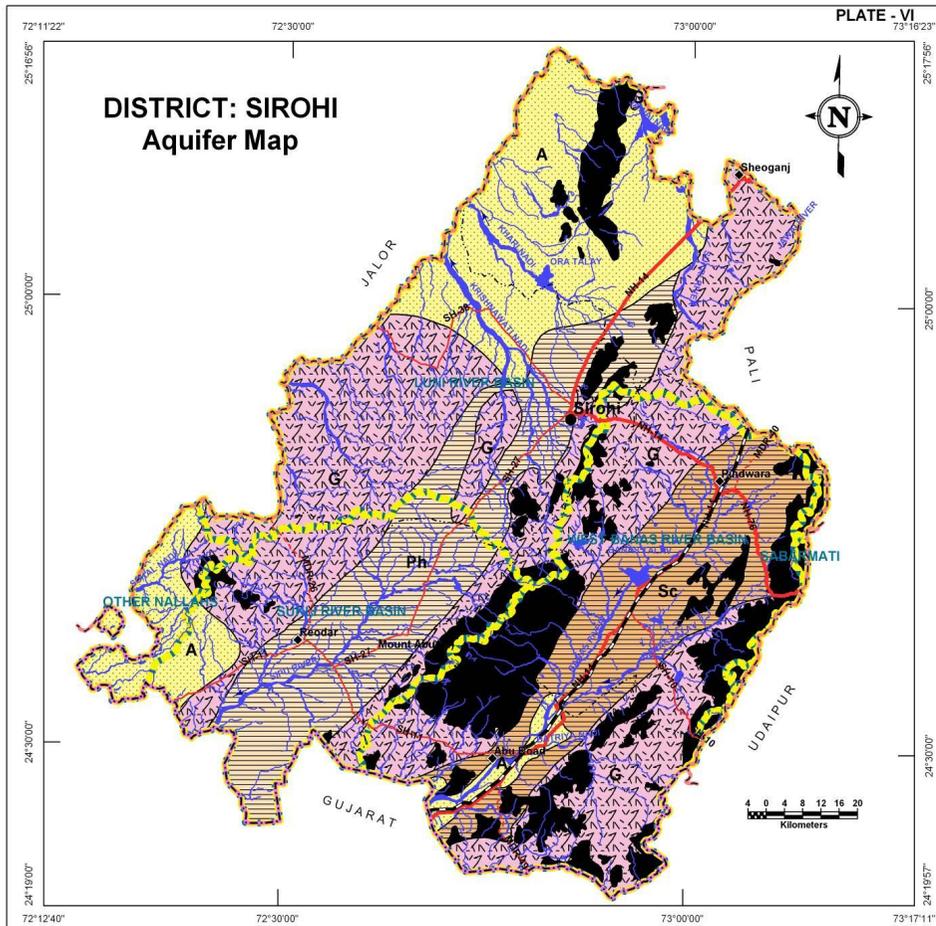
Aquifer in Potential Zone	Area (sq km)	% age of district	Description of the unit/Occurrence
Younger Alluvium	1,022.2	19.9	It is largely constituted of Aeolian and Fluvial sand, silt, clay, gravel and pebbles in varying proportions.
Phyllite	841.2	16.4	These include meta sediments and represented by carbonaceous phyllite.
Schist	616.7	12.0	Medium to fine grained compact rock. The litho-units are soft, friable and have closely spaced cleavage.
Granite	1,855.9	36.1	Light grey to pink colour, medium to coarse grained, and characteristically have porphyritic texture.
Hills	803.1	15.6	
Total	5,139.1	100.0	

STAGE OF GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Ground water resource assessment in the district has revealed a scarce availability of the same. In all the blocks of the district the stage of development has exceeded existing dynamic resources since two of the blocks are in 'Critical stage' implying close to 100% development and the other three blocks are in 'Over Exploited' category which means already exhausted state of ground water.

Categorization on the basis of stage of development of GW	Block Name
Critical	Pindwara, Abu Road
Over Exploited	Reodar, Sheoganj, Sirohi

Basis for categorization: Ground water development $\leq 100\%$ - Critical and $> 100\%$ - Over-Exploited.



LEGEND	
Admin Boundary:	Water Bodies:
District Headquarter	River / Streams
Block Headquarter	Ponds / Reservoirs
Town	Hills
State Boundary	
District Boundary	Aquifer:
Block Boundary	Younger Alluvium
Basin Boundary	Phyllite
Roads:	Schist
National Highway	Granite
State Highway	
Major District Road	
Railway:	
Broad Gauge	

Source: Ground Water Potential Zone Map - GWD, Rajasthan

LEGEND	
Admin Boundary:	Stage of Ground Water Development:
District Headquarter	Critical
Block Headquarter	Over-Exploited
Town	
State Boundary	
District Boundary	
Block Boundary	
Basin Boundary	

Source: Ground Water Department, Rajasthan

LOCATION OF EXPLORATORY AND GROUND WATER MONITORING WELLS

DISTRICT – SIROHI

Sirohidistrict has a well distributed network of exploratory wells (142) and ground water monitoring stations (253) in the district owned by RGWD (123 and 253 respectively) and incidentally, CGWB has 19 exploratory wells in the district but no monitoring wells . 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 is being sufficiently monitored but for effectively monitoring the water quality in the district,3 additional wells mustbe added to the network in Reodar and Sheoganj blocks.

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

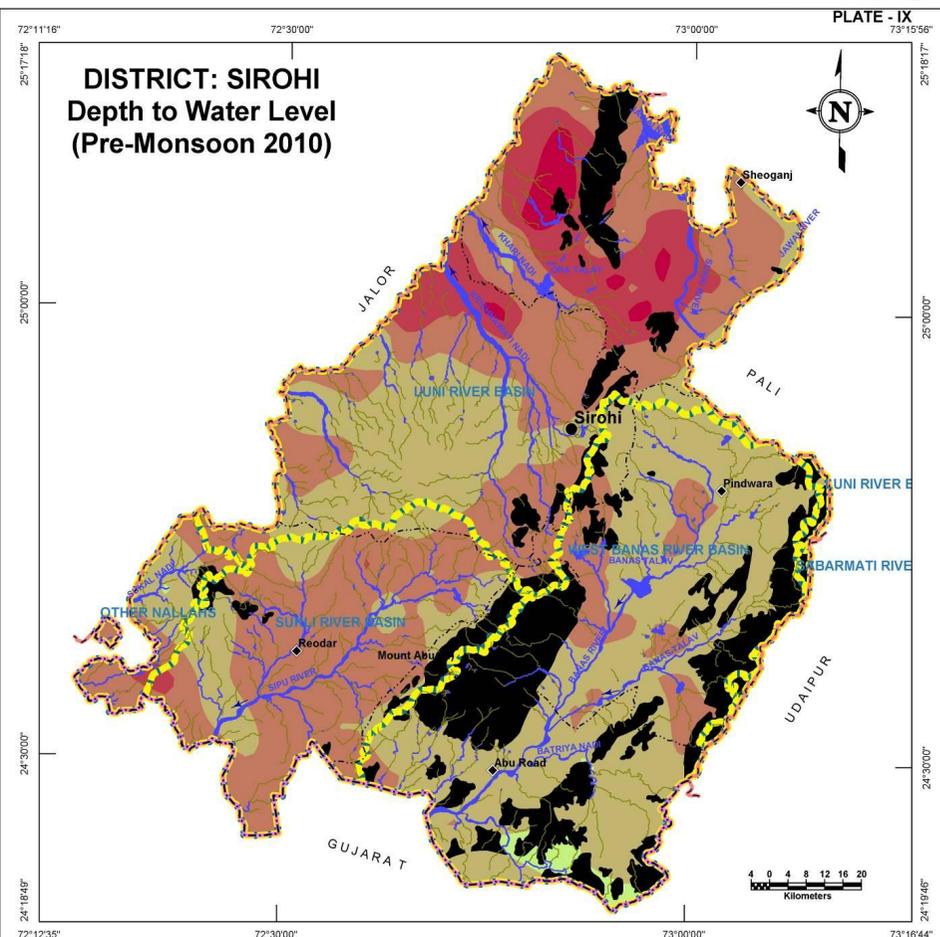
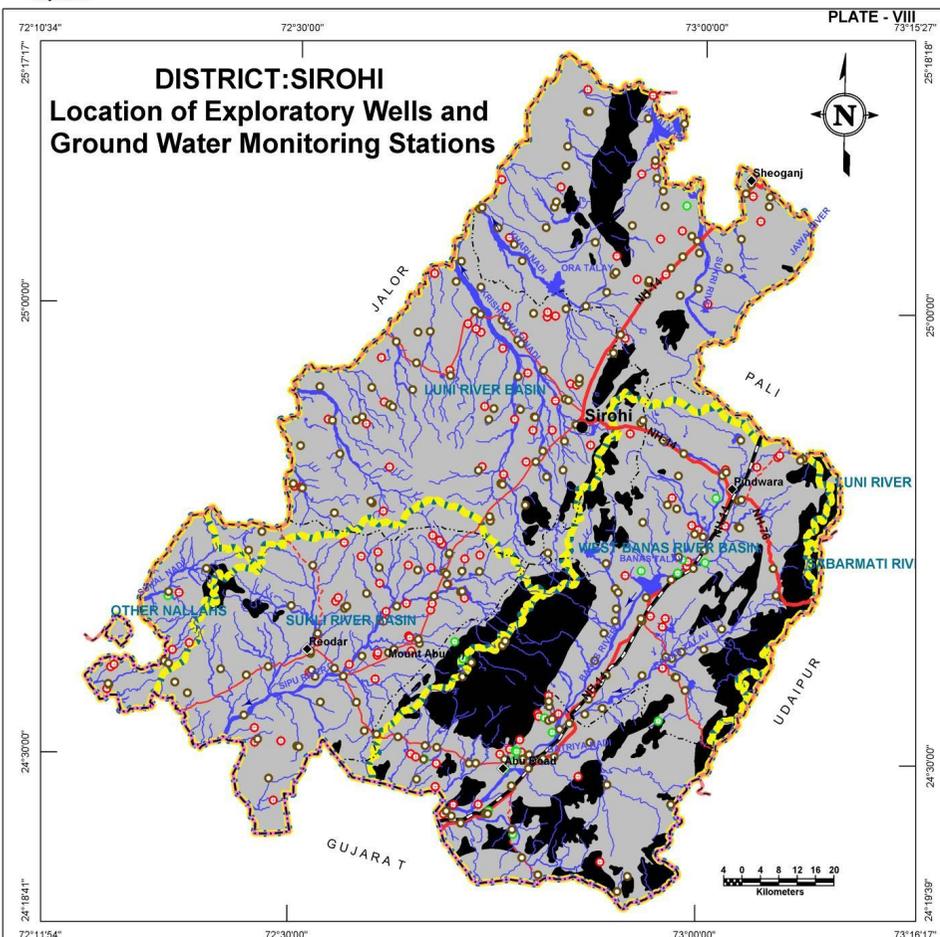
Block Name	Exploratory Wells			Ground Water Monitoring Stations			Recommended additional wells for optimization of monitoring network	
	CGWB	RGWD	Total	CGWB	RGWD	Total	Water Level	Water Quality
Abu Road	11	18	29	-	45	45	0	0
Pindwara	6	17	23	-	50	50	0	0
Reodar	1	39	40	-	55	55	0	2
Sheoganj	1	16	17	-	45	45	0	1
Sirohi	-	33	33	-	58	58	0	0
Total	19	123	142	-	253	253	0	3

DEPTH TO WATER LEVEL (PRE MONSOON – 2010)

Depth to water level shows variation ranging from less than 10m below ground level to more than 40m bgl. In most of the alluvial part of Sheoganj and Sirohi blocks, the ground water occurs at moderate depths ranging from 20 – 40m bgl and sometimes reaching to >40m bgl. There is also a shallow water depth to water zone in southern part of Abu Road and Reodar blocks where the depth to water level is less than 10m bgl. Otherwise the ground water generally, occurs at 10-30m below ground level.

Depth to water level (mbgl)	Block wise area coverage (sq km) *					Total Area (sqkm)
	Abu Road	Pindwara	Reodar	Sheoganj	Sirohi	
< 10	37.1	-	0.7	-	-	37.8
10-20	490.2	626.1	275.6	47.0	557.5	1,996.4
20-30	40.3	191.2	771.6	408.2	440.3	1,851.6
30-40	-	-	14.0	273.3	92.4	379.7
> 40	-	-	-	66.3	4.1	70.4
Total	567.6	817.3	1,061.9	794.8	1,094.3	4,335.9

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



LEGEND		
Admin Boundary:	Railway:	Exploratory Wells:
District Headquarter	Broad Gauge	CGWB
Block Headquarter	Metre Gauge	RGWD
Town		
State Boundary	Water Bodies:	Ground Water Monitoring Stations:
District Boundary	River / Streams	CGWB
Block Boundary	Ponds / Reservoirs	RGWD
Basin Boundary	Hills	
Roads:		
National Highway		
State Highway		
Major District Road		

LEGEND	
Admin Boundary:	Depth to Water Level (m bgl):
District Headquarter	< 10
Block Headquarter	10 - 20
Town	20 - 30
State Boundary	30 - 40
District Boundary	> 40
Block Boundary	
Basin Boundary	
Water Bodies:	
River / Streams	
Ponds / Reservoirs	
Hills	



WATER TABLE ELEVATION (PRE MONSOON – 2010)

DISTRICT – SIROHI

Water table elevation map is presented in Plate – X. It not only shows distribution of water table elevations but also reveals the regional ground water flow directions. The regional ground water flow typically follows the topography and the flow directions of the main streams of the basins i.e., NE-SW in the West Banas and Sukli River basin parts; SE-NW in Luni River basin area. The highest water table elevation is more than 400m amsl in east of Pindwara block and lowest elevation of less than 180m amsl in the Sheoganj and Sirohi blocks implying an overall 220m of elevation difference in different parts of the district. Flow gradients are steep in eastern part adjacent to hilly areas but more sluggish in northwestern and southwestern parts of the district.

Table: Block wise area covered in each water table elevation range

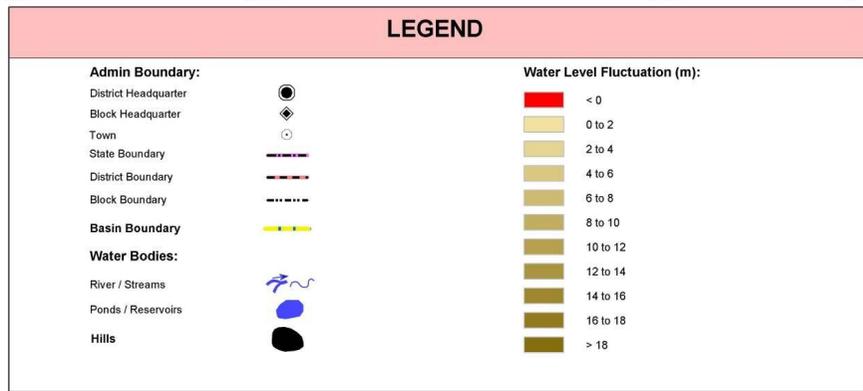
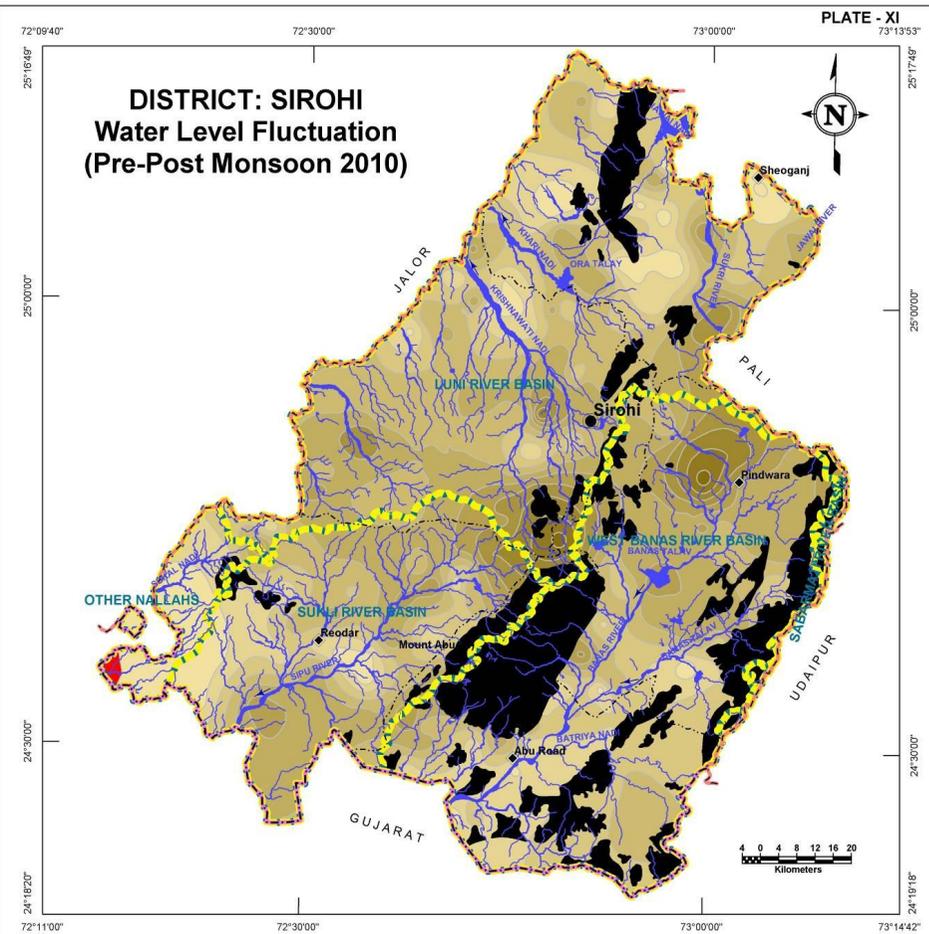
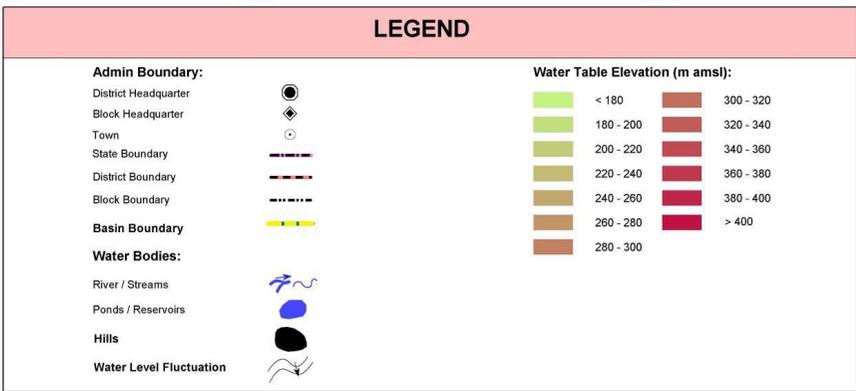
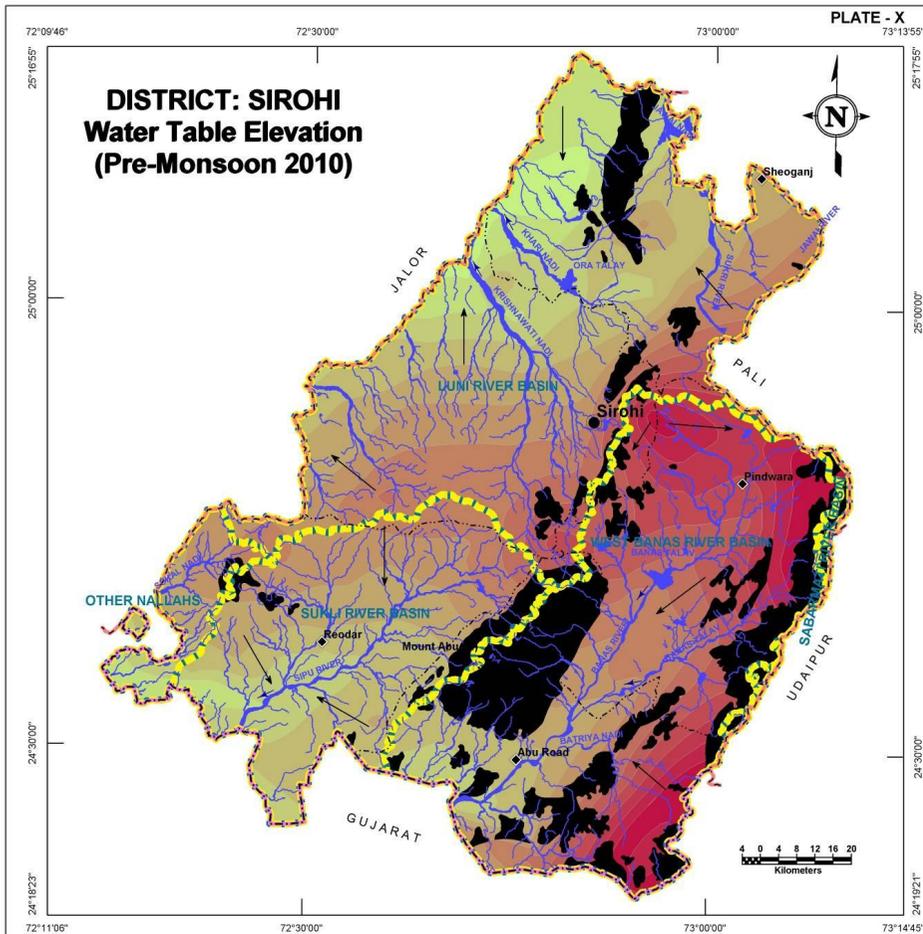
Block Name	Block wise area coverage (sq km) within water table elevation range (m amsl)													Total Area (sq km)
	< 180	180 - 200	200 - 220	220 - 240	240 - 260	260 - 280	280 - 300	300 - 320	320 - 340	340 - 360	360 - 380	380 - 400	> 400	
Abu Road	-	-	50.8	138.4	72.4	62.5	35.9	27.2	32.0	31.1	29.5	38.1	49.7	567.6
Pindwara	-	-	-	-	6.4	44.0	112.4	85.5	153.2	134.9	144.4	87.4	49.1	817.3
Reodar	-	51.2	165.8	273.7	215.2	248.7	92.2	13.1	2.0	-	-	-	-	1,061.9
Sheoganj	76.9	158.4	119.7	146.4	96.6	88.0	58.9	25.9	14.6	9.1	0.3	-	-	794.8
Sirohi	15.4	42.8	100.4	180.5	197.4	177.3	238.9	64.5	33.0	20.3	14.0	7.4	2.4	1,094.3
Total	92.3	252.4	436.7	739.0	588.0	620.5	538.3	216.2	234.8	195.4	188.2	132.9	101.2	4,335.9

WATER LEVEL FLUCTUATION (PRE TO POST MONSOON 2010)

A 2m contour interval adopted to visualize the ground water level fluctuation reveals a fall of around 2 m in one area to rise in other areas by about 18m, as seen in Plate – XI. The negative fluctuation areas are very limited and occupy just about 8 sqkms in the western part of the Reodar 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. While the general rise has been in the 0m to about 12m range, the maximum rise of more than 18m is also noticed in central part of Pindwara block.

Table: Block wise area covered in each water fluctuation zone

Block Name	Block wise area coverage (sq km) within water level fluctuation range (m)											Total Area (sq km)
	<0	0 – 2	2 – 4	4 – 6	6 – 8	8 – 10	10 – 12	12 – 14	14 – 16	16 – 18	>18	
Abu Road	-	3.6	171.8	220.8	113.9	36.4	9.3	2.8	7.2	1.8	-	567.6
Pindwara	-	5.0	40.2	111.1	115.4	302.1	107.1	64.8	41.7	24.8	5.1	817.3
Reodar	8.0	158.8	139.7	155.8	210.5	310.4	49.8	18.0	10.8	0.1	-	1,061.9
Sheoganj	-	75.6	145.9	245.7	182.0	95.5	35.0	15.1	-	-	-	794.8
Sirohi	-	12.4	56.3	121.1	449.1	322.7	57.3	47.4	18.0	9.9	0.1	1,094.3
Total	8.0	255.4	553.9	854.5	1,070.9	1,067.1	258.5	148.1	77.7	36.6	5.2	4,335.9





GROUND WATER ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY DISTRIBUTION

DISTRICT – SIROHI

The Electrical conductivity (at 25°C) distribution map is presented in Plate – XII. The areas with low EC values in ground water (<2000 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$) are shown in yellow color which occupy almost 62% of the district area having ground water suitable for domestic purpose. The areas with moderately high EC values (2000-4000 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$) are shown in green color and occupy 33% of the district area, largely northern and western part of Sirohi. Remaining part of the district area approximately 5% has high EC values in ground water (>4000 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$) which is shown in red color, largely in the northern and western part of the district where the ground water is not suitable for domestic purpose.

Table: Block wise area of Electrical conductivity distribution

Electrical Conductivity Ranges ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ at 25°C) (Ave. of years 2005-09)	Block wise area coverage (sq km)										Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road		Pindwara		Reodar		Sheoganj		Sirohi		
	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	
<2000	460.9	81.2	535.8	65.6	964.9	90.9	189.7	23.9	536.4	49.0	2,687.7
2000-4000	105.3	18.6	274.7	33.6	95.7	9.0	436.4	54.9	506.9	46.3	1,419.0
>4000	1.4	0.2	6.8	0.8	1.3	0.1	168.7	21.2	51.0	4.7	229.2
Total	567.6	100.0	817.3	100.0	1,061.9	100.0	794.8	100.0	1,094.3	100.0	4,335.9

GROUND WATER CHLORIDE DISTRIBUTION

High chloride concentration in ground water also renders it unsuitable for domestic and other purposes. The green colored regions in Plate – XIII are such areas where chloride concentration is moderately high (250-1000 mg/l) occupies approximately 56% of the district area. The ground water in this region is suitable for domestic purpose in absence of better quality ground water. The areas with low chloride concentration (<250 mg/l) are shown in yellow color which occupy approximately 40% of the district area, which is suitable for domestic purpose. Remaining part of the district (approximately 4%) has high chloride concentration (>1000 mg/l), which is shown in red color, largely northern part of the district where the ground water is not suitable for domestic purpose.

Table: Block wise area of Chloride distribution

Chloride Concentration Range(mg/l) (Ave. of years 2005-09)	Block wise area coverage (sq km)										Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road		Pindwara		Reodar		Sheoganj		Sirohi		
	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	
< 250	396.2	70.0	271.4	33.3	729.8	69.0	104.4	13.0	218.7	20.0	1,720.5
250-1000	171.0	30.0	543.1	66.7	329.9	31.0	563.0	71.0	834.0	76.0	2,441.0
> 1000	0.4	-	2.8	-	2.2	-	127.4	16.0	41.6	4.0	174.4
Total	567.6	100.0	817.3	100.0	1,061.9	100.0	794.8	100.0	1,094.3	100.0	4,335.9

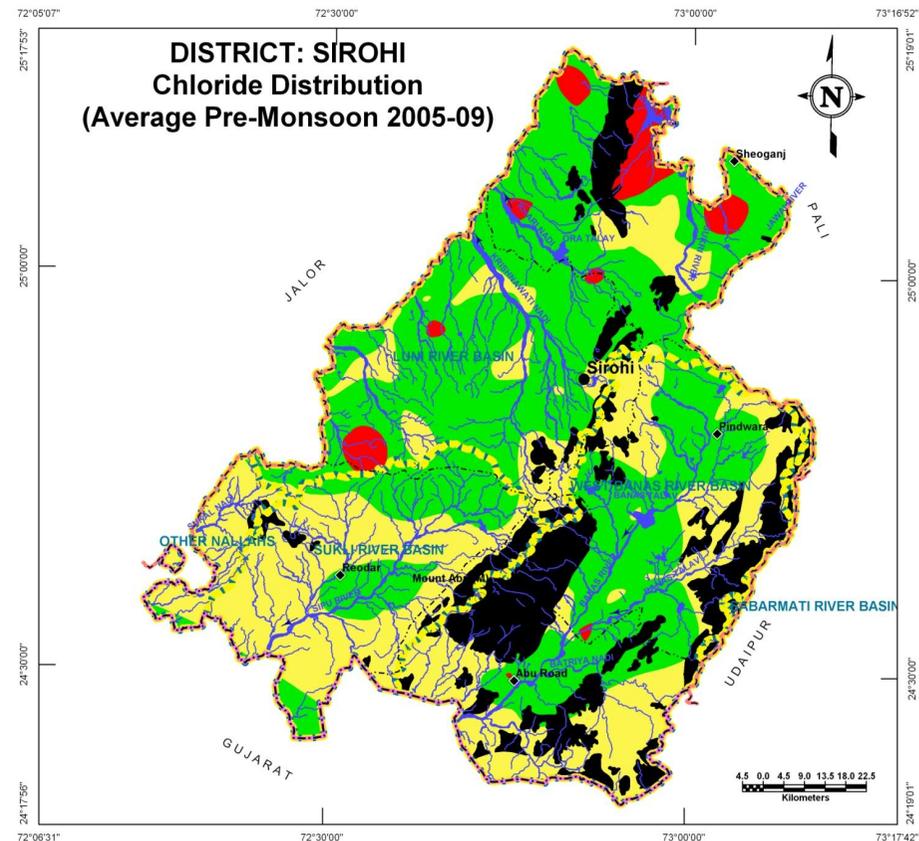
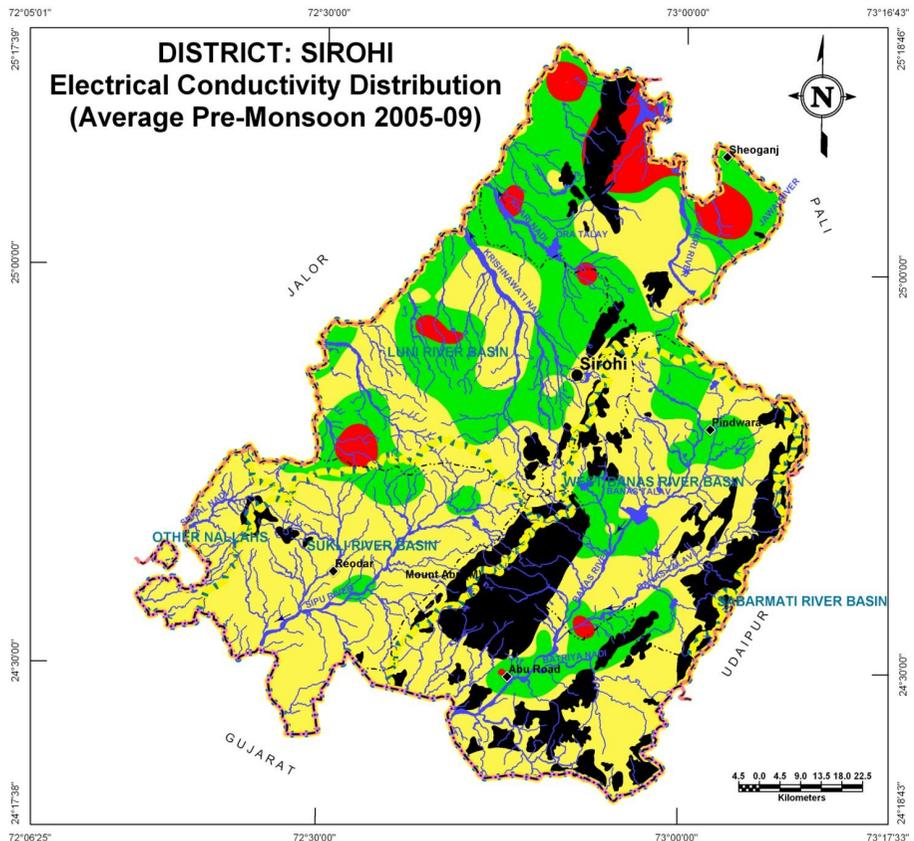


PLATE - XII

PLATE - XIII

DISTRICT: SIROHI Electrical Conductivity Distribution (Average Pre-Monsoon 2005-09)

DISTRICT: SIROHI Chloride Distribution (Average Pre-Monsoon 2005-09)



LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Electrical Conductivity ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ at 25°C):
District Headquarter		< 2000
Block Headquarter		2000-4000
Town		>4000
State Boundary		
District Boundary		
Block Boundary		
Basin Boundary		
Water Bodies:		
River / Streams		
Ponds / Reservoirs		
Hills		

LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Chloride Concentration (mg/l):
District Headquarter		< 250
Block Headquarter		250 - 1000
Town		> 1000
State Boundary		
District Boundary		
Block Boundary		
Basin Boundary		
Water Bodies:		
River / Streams		
Ponds / Reservoirs		
Hills		



GROUND WATER FLUORIDE DISTRIBUTION

DISTRICT – SIROHI

The Fluoride concentration map is presented in Plate – XIV which raises concern on usage of ground water for domestic purpose since on 33% of the district has low fluoride concentration (<1.5 mg/l) in ground water scattered as discontinuous patches in eastern northern and southwestern parts of the district. The area with moderately high concentration (1.5-3.0 mg/l) is shown in green color that occupies almost 45% of the district area. Remaining part of the district (approximately 22%) has high Fluoride concentration (>3.0 mg/l) is shown in red color, largely in the western half of the district where the ground water is not suitable for domestic purpose.

Table: Block wise area of Fluoride distribution

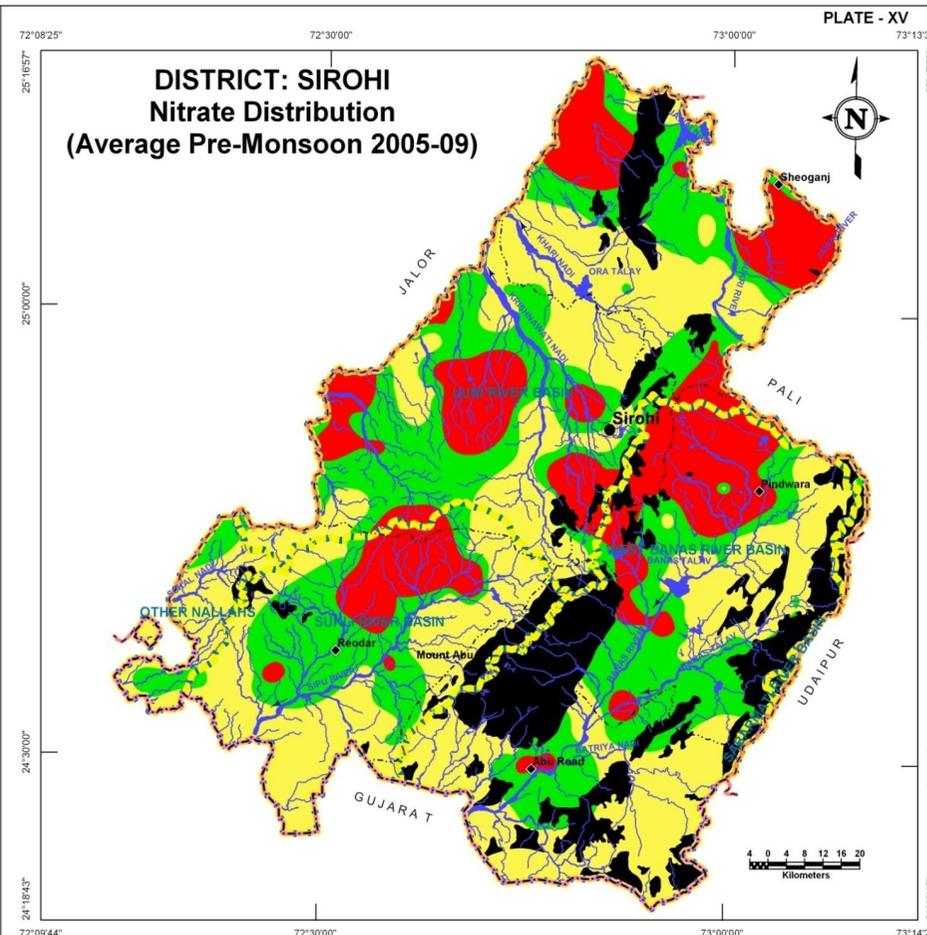
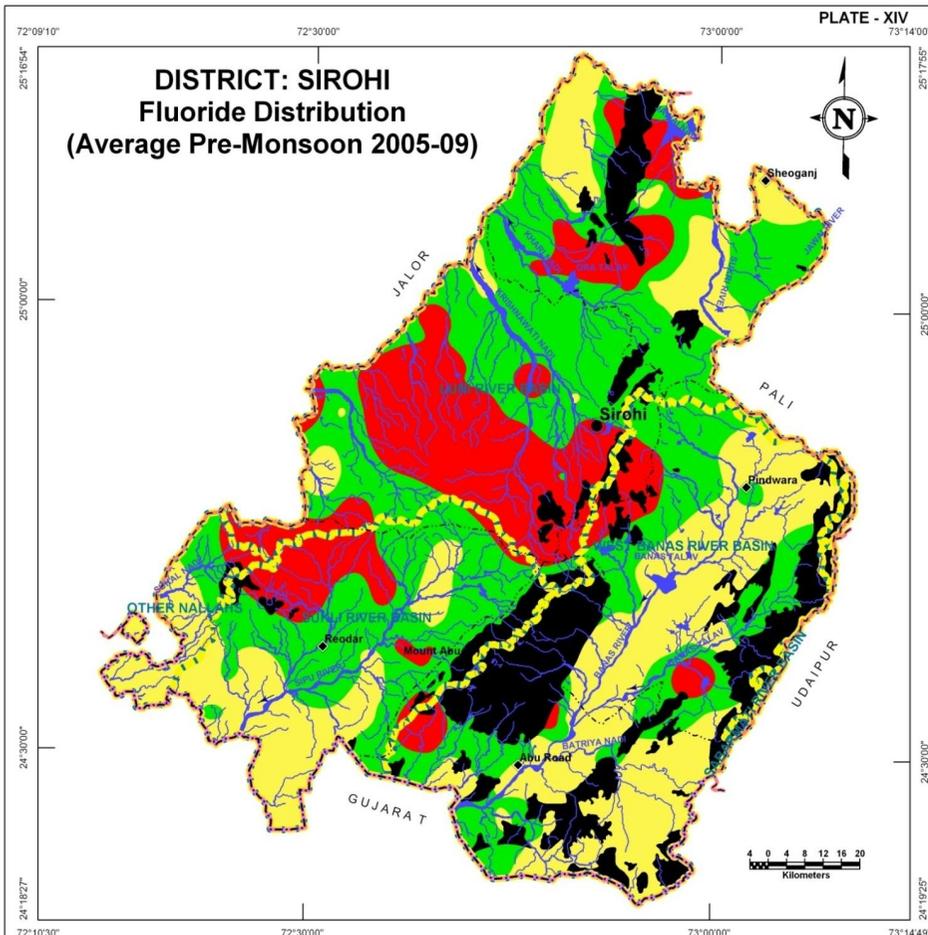
Fluoride concentration Range(mg/l) (Ave. of years 2005-09)	Block wise area coverage (sq km)										Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road		Pindwara		Reodar		Sheoganj		Sirohi		
	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	
< 1.5	329.6	58.0	437.1	53.5	408.3	38.5	230.4	29.0	40.6	3.7	1,446.0
1.5-3.0	201.9	35.6	315.0	38.5	459.5	43.2	428.2	53.8	536.4	49.0	1,941.0
> 3.0	36.1	6.4	65.2	8.0	194.1	18.3	136.2	17.2	517.3	47.3	948.9
Total	567.6	100.0	817.3	100.0	1,061.9	100.0	794.8	100.0	1,094.3	100.0	4,335.9

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 (<50 mg/l) is shown in yellow color and occupies approximately 45% 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 and occupy approximately 33% of the district area. Remaining part of the district area is having nitrate concentration (>100 mg/l) which as seen in red color patches distributed all over the district where ground water is not suitable for agriculture purpose.

Table: Block wise area of Nitrate distribution

Nitrate concentration Range(mg/l) (Ave. of years 2005-09)	Block wise area coverage (sq km)										Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road		Pindwara		Reodar		Sheoganj		Sirohi		
	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	
< 50	426.5	75.1	257.2	31.5	590.5	55.6	327.1	41.2	354.9	32.4	1,956.2
50-100	129.9	22.9	294.2	36.0	329.3	31.0	236.1	29.7	430.1	39.3	1,419.6
>100	11.2	2.0	265.9	32.5	142.1	13.4	231.6	29.1	309.3	28.3	960.1
Total	567.6	100.0	817.3	100.0	1,061.9	100.0	794.8	100.0	1,094.3	100.0	4,335.9



LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Fluoride Concentration (mg/l):	
District Headquarter	●	< 1.5	Yellow
Block Headquarter	◆	1.5-3.0	Green
Town	○	> 3.0	Red
State Boundary	— — — — —		
District Boundary	— · — · — · —		
Block Boundary	- · - · - · - · -		
Basin Boundary	- - - - -		
Water Bodies:			
River / Streams	~		
Ponds / Reservoirs	●		
Hills	●		

LEGEND

Admin Boundary:		Nitrate Concentration (mg/l):	
District Headquarter	●	< 50	Yellow
Block Headquarter	◆	50-100	Green
Town	○	> 100	Red
State Boundary	— — — — —		
District Boundary	— · — · — · —		
Block Boundary	- · - · - · - · -		
Basin Boundary	- - - - -		
Water Bodies:			
River / Streams	~		
Ponds / Reservoirs	●		
Hills	●		



DEPTH TO BEDROCK

Plate – XVI depicts the bedrock depth below ground level in Sirohi district. The beginning of massive bedrock has been considered for defining top of bedrock surface. It varies from less than 20 below ground level to more than 40m bgl. The major rocks types constituting the bedrock in the district are schist, phyllite and granite. These rocks are overlain by alluvial deposits of sand, clay, silt and admixture of these in different proportions and thicknesses. The map of depth to bedrock reveals that the bedrock surface is relatively flat as the depth distribution shows very limited variation of less than 40m. About 82% of the district has its bedrock occurring in the range of 20 to 40 m bgl only. The region in the eastern part of the district in between the two hill ranges has still less deep bedrock i.e., <20m bgl. A small patch of >40m deep bedrock is seen in the western most part in Reodar block of the district.

Depth to bedrock (mbgl)	Block wise area coverage (sq km)										Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road		Pindwara		Reodar		Sheoganj		Sirohi		
	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	Area	%age	
< 20	87.4	15.4	519.0	63.5	12.1	1.1	-	-	15.9	1.4	634.4
20-40	480.2	84.6	298.3	36.5	894.4	84.2	794.8	100.0	1,078.4	98.6	3,546.1
> 40	-	-	-	-	155.4	14.6	-	-	-	-	155.4
Total	567.6	100.0	817.3	100.0	1,061.9	100.0	794.8	100.0	1,094.3	100.0	4,335.9

UNCONFINED AQUIFER

Alluvial areas

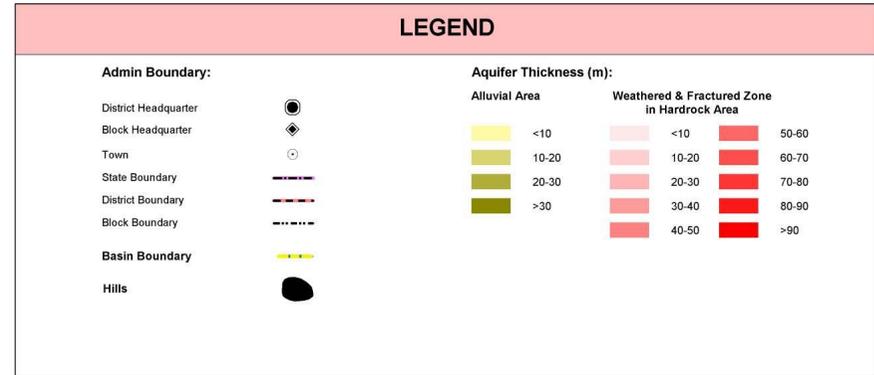
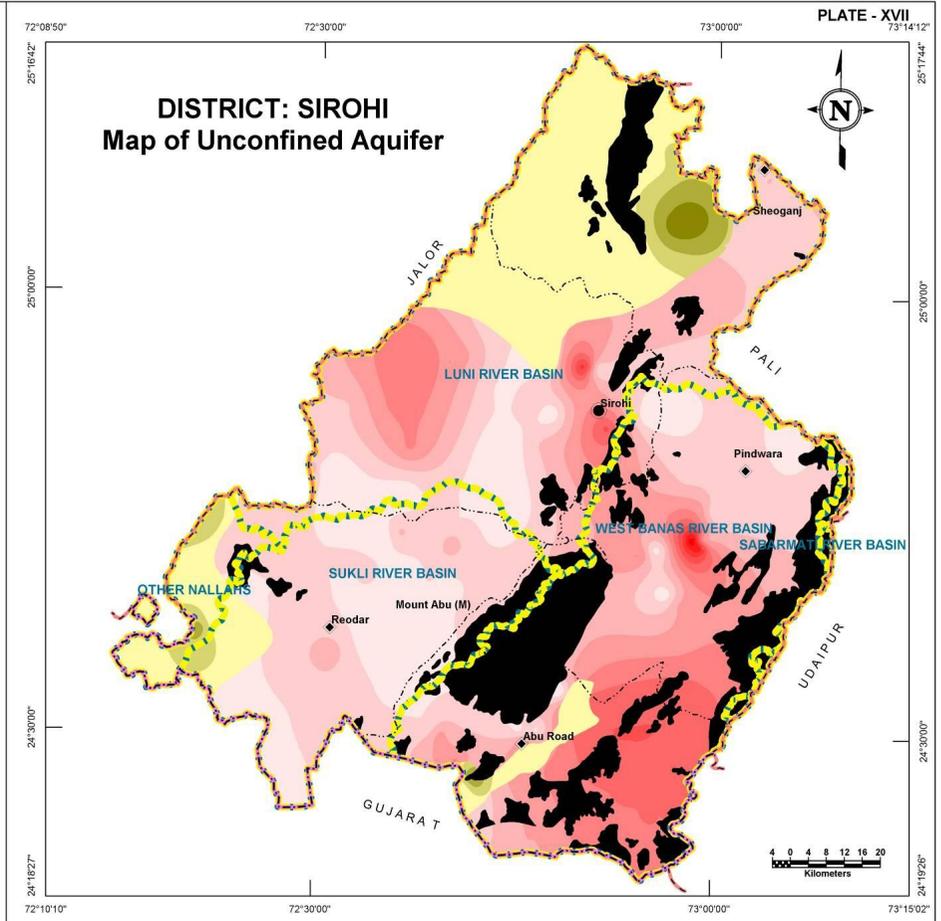
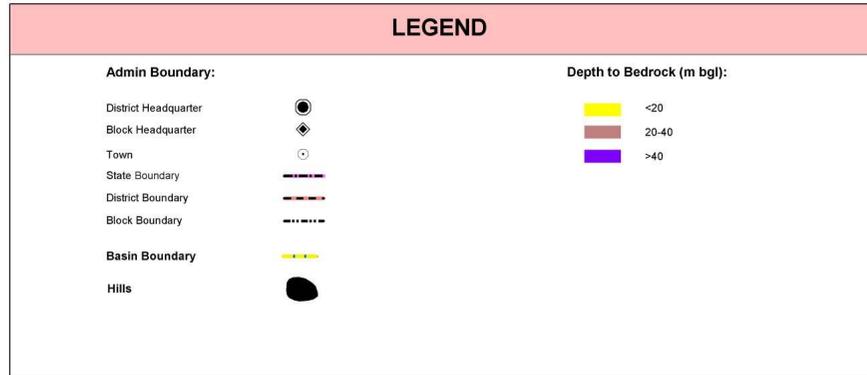
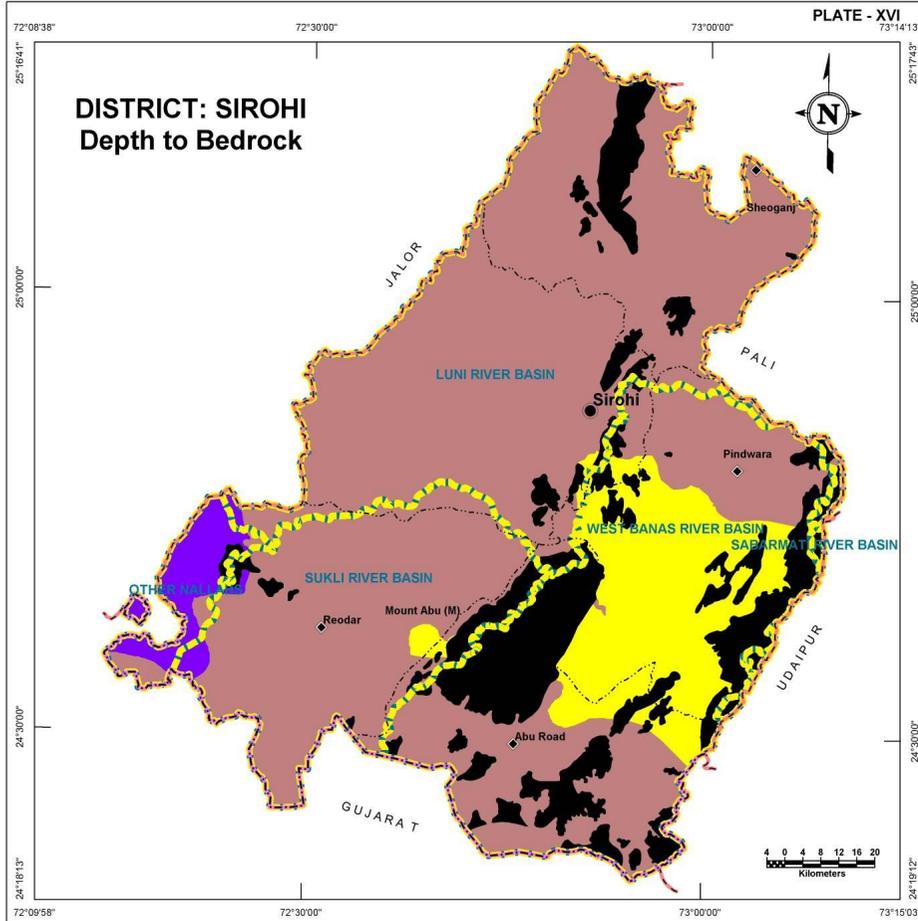
Aquifer in alluvial material is formed in northern and southwestern part of the district, with thickness varying from less than 10 meter and reaching upto 40 meter. Most part of Sheoganj block has unconfined aquifer formed in alluvial material with thickness from less than 10 meter and reaching a maximum of 30m at the northeast corner of the block. Alluvial aquifer thickness less than 10m has been observed in northern part of Sirohi block as also in Reodar block in (10m to 30m thickness). Small patch of high thicknesses more than 30m found in Abu Road block.

Unconfined aquifer Thickness (m)	Block wise Area (sq km) coverage					Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road	Pindwara	Reodar	Sheoganj	Sirohi	
< 10	58.8	1.8	168.8	424.4	193.4	847.2
10-20	6.6	-	42.2	55.0	-	103.8
20-30	2.3	-	3.1	48.7	-	54.1
> 30	0.1	-	-	19.8	-	19.9
Total	67.8	1.8	214.1	547.9	193.4	1,025.0

Hard rock areas

Weathered, fractured and jointed rock formations form the phreatic aquifer in the areas where hard rocks are exposed or occur at shallow depths. Such zone in Sirohi district ranges in thickness from less than 10m to more than 100m throughout the district except in the northern part. These high thickness zones occur as isolated patches mostly in the eastern part of the district i.e., Pindwara block, where the thickness attained is more than 90m. Rest of the blocks have moderate to low thickness of unconfined aquifers in hardrock. The general thickness in the district is less than 40m.

Unconfined aquifer Thickness (m)	Block wise Area (sq km) coverage					Total Area (sq km)
	Abu Road	Pindwara	Reodar	Sheoganj	Sirohi	
<10	32.8	64.7	368.8	-	196.2	662.5
10-20	90.2	275.1	461.3	156.1	234.6	1,217.3
20-30	77.0	148.5	17.7	90.8	173.2	507.2
30-40	55.5	195.1	-	-	172.7	423.3
40-50	75.1	84.1	-	-	110.1	269.3
50-60	162.5	35.8	-	-	11.1	209.4
60-70	6.7	6.0	-	-	2.7	15.4
70-80	-	3.4	-	-	0.3	3.7
80-90	-	2.2	-	-	-	2.2
> 90	-	0.6	-	-	-	0.6
Total	499.8	815.5	847.8	246.9	900.9	3,310.9





Glossary of terms

S. No.	Technical Terms	Definition
1	AQUIFER	A saturated geological formation which has good permeability to 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 groundwater reservoir by manmade 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	GROUNDWATER 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	pH	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 groundwater 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.

S. No.	Technical Terms	Definition
29	TRANSMISSIBILITY	It is defined as the rate of flow through an aquifer of unit width and total saturation depth under unit hydraulic gradient. It is equal to product of full saturation depth of aquifer and its coefficient of permeability.
30	UNCONFINED AQUIFER	A water bearing formation having permeable overburden. The water table forms the upper boundary of the aquifer.
31	UNSATURATED ZONE	The zone below the land surface in which pore space contains both 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 MANAGEMENT	Planned development, distribution and use of water resources.
35	WATER TABLE	Water table is the upper surface of the zone of saturation at atmospheric pressure.
36	ZONE OF SATURATION	The ground in which all pores are completely filled with water.
37	ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY	Flow of free ions in the water at 25C mu/cm.
38	CROSS SECTION	A Vertical Projection showing sub-surface formations encountered in a specific plane.
39	3-D PICTURE	A structure showing all three dimensions i.e. length, width and 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 map.
46	GEOLOGY	The science related with the Earth.
47	GEOMORPHOLOGY	The description and interpretation of land forms.
48	PRE MONSOON SURVEY	Monitoring of Ground Water level from the selected DKW/Piezometer before Monsoon (carried out between 15th May to 15th June)
49	POST-MONSOON SURVEY	Monitoring of Ground Water level from the selected DKW/Piezometer after Monsoon (carried out between 15th October to 15th November)
50	PIEZOMETER	A non-pumping small diameter bore hole used for monitoring of static water level.
51	GROUND WATER FLUCTUATION	Change in static water level below ground level.
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 STATION	Dug wells selected on grid basis for monitoring of state water level.
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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 adjoining 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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