

**GEOHYDROLOGICAL CATCHMENT ASSESSMENT OF
BHAMA-ASKHED DAM AND
PART CATCHMENT AREA OF CHAS-KAMAN DAM
KHED TEHSIL,PUNE DISTRICT,MAHARASHTRA**

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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To identify the Recharge vulnerable zones which need careful attention during the installation and execution of infrastructure projects
 - Geological mapping of the area
 - Drainage analysis
 - Preparation of maps
 - To give suggestions for construction of conservation structures in the area

GEOMORPHOLOGY OF THE STUDY AREA

- Northeast evergreen and semi evergreen belt of the Sahyadri range
- Most of the study area is drained by the Bhama river while other part by Bhima river and its tributaries
- Elevation difference between the highest (1293m) and the lowest points (640m) is about 653m within the distance of 214 sq.Km
- Main river channel exhibits meandering pattern almost all along its entire course
- Tributary drainage exhibits diverse drainage pattern

73°30'0"E

73°35'0"E

73°40'0"E

Contour map of the study area

19°0'0"N

19°0'0"N

18°55'0"N

18°55'0"N

18°50'0"N

18°50'0"N

Legend

- contour
- Study area



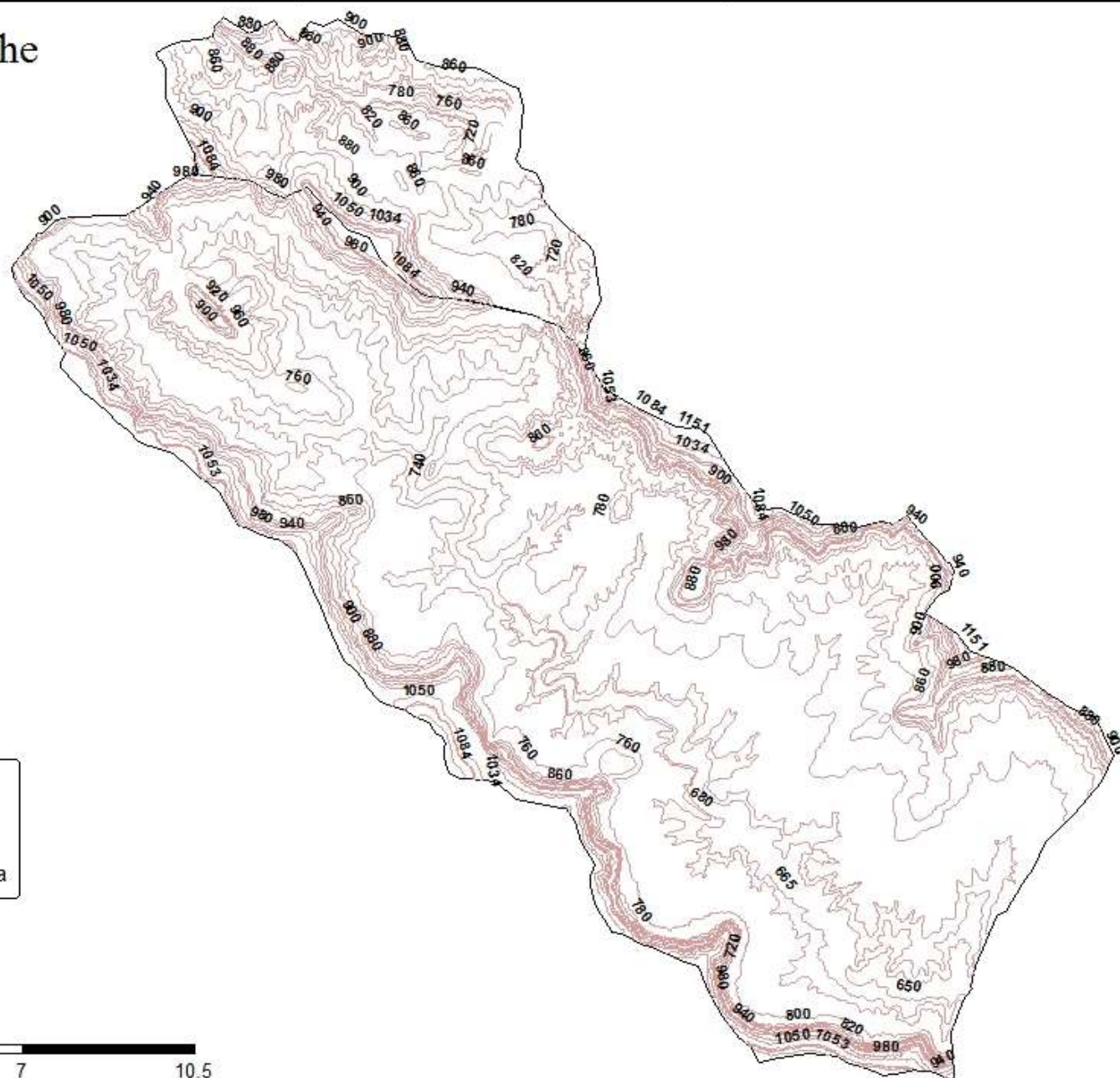
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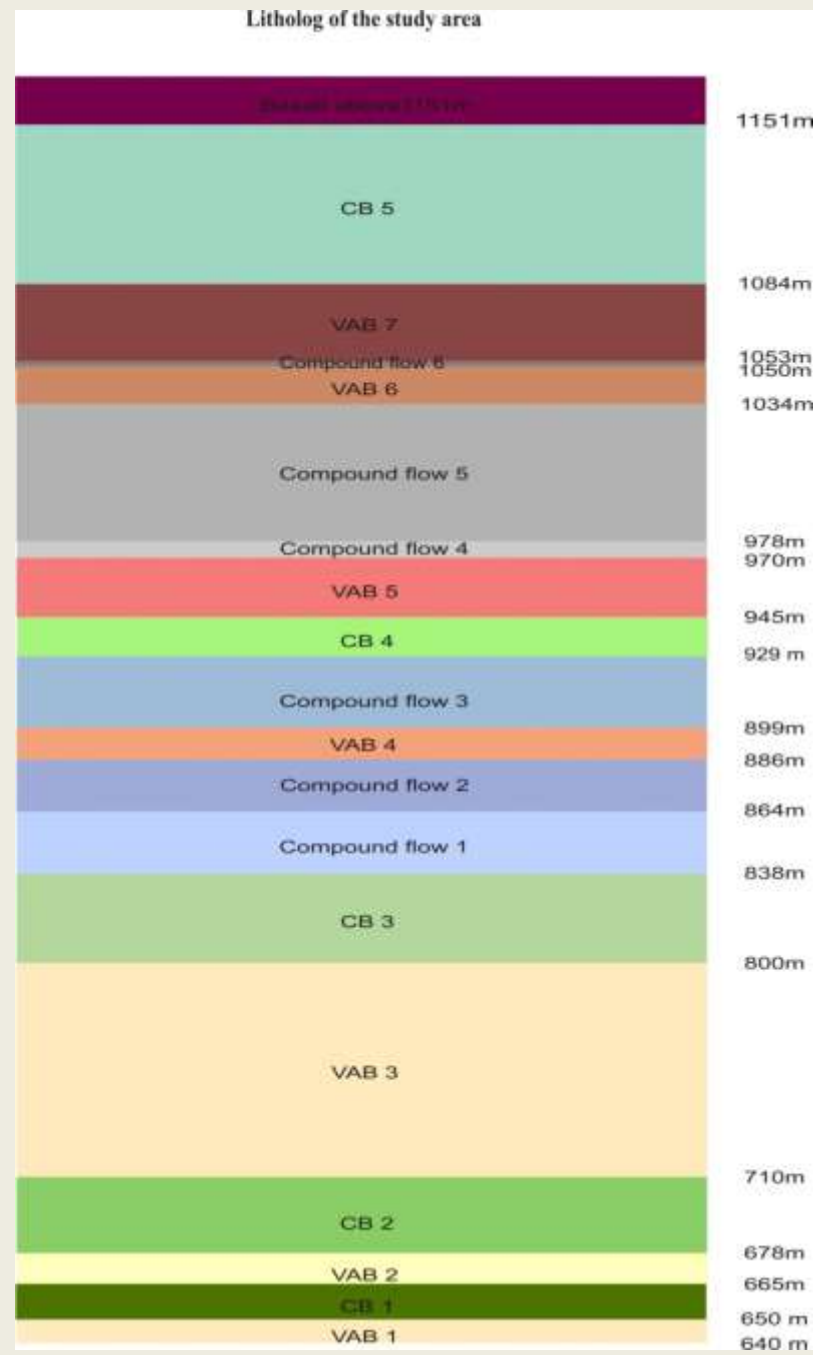
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GEOLOGY OF THE AREA



- Vesicular amagdoloidal basalt (VAB) is weathered and each VAB unit is overlain by denser, compact basalt
- The compact basalt in the area is dense and massive



LINEAMENTS

Study area Characteristics:

- The VAB shows parallel to sub-parallel sheet joints this attributes them a higher hydraulic conductivity when compared to compact basalts
- The compact basalt is jointed and most joints are subvertical
- Compound basalts show cavities, often filled with the minerals while others are empty
- The major regional trends is in the North-West part of the area and are observed in two directions – 1. NE-SW 2. NNE-SSW.

73°30'0"E

Map of drainage overlay on geology for the study area

19°0'0"N

19°0'0"N

Legend

Stream Order

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

GEOLOGY

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| BASALT ABOVE 1151m | VAB 4 |
| CB 5 | Compound flow 2 |
| VAB 7 | Compound flow 1 |
| Compound flow 6 | CB 3 |
| VAB 6 | VAB 3 |
| Compound flow 5 | CB 2 |
| Compound flow 4 | VAB 2 |
| VAB 5 | CB 1 |
| CB 4 | VAB 1 |
| Compound flow 3 | Red Layers |
| Study area | Lineaments |



Kilometers

0 1.25 2.5 5 7.5 10

73°30'0"E

18°50'0"N

18°50'0"N



DRAINAGE BASIN ANALYSIS

- Investigations for zones of adequate groundwater potential
- Sites selection for construction of artificial recharge structure
- Information about the erosional process
- Reflect the nature (permeability) of surfaces exposed in the basin

73°30'0"E

Map displaying third order basins in the study area

19°00'0"N

19°00'0"N

Legend

Stream Order

- 1
- 2
- 3
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- 5

Study area

Third order basins

18°50'0"N

18°50'0"N



Kilometers

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73°30'0"E



CHARACTERS STUDIED

BIFURCATION RATIO (BF_o):

No. Of streams of order n / No. Of streams of order (n+1)



Study area Characteristics:

- 66% sub basins are structurally controlled
- 61% basins are mountainous controlled by slopes

DRAINAGE DENSITY:

- Length of the stream per unit area.
- Higher drainage density values indicate greater relief and lower permeability of surfaces.

Drainage density value	Drainage Density
0-2	Low
2-4	Moderate
4-6	High
>6	Very high

Study area Characteristics:

- Areas have moderate to very high relief and moderate to low permeability of surfaces
- About 24% sub basins have very high drainage density and 30% basins have high drainage density
- Remaining 46% sub basins have moderate drainage density

STREAM FREQUENCY:

- Ratio of the total number of streams of all orders within a given basin, to the basin area
- Higher stream frequency indicates steeper gradients and lower permeability of surface

Stream Frequency value	Stream Frequency
0-2	Very poor
2-4	Poor
4-6	Moderate
>6	Very high

Study area Characteristics:

- 25% basins have poor to moderate stream frequency
- 75% basins have very high stream frequency
- Area have steeper gradients and lower permeability of surface. Hence there will be the lower rate of infiltration of the surface water

DRAINAGE TEXTURE:

- Drainage texture is a product of drainage density and stream frequency
- Texture below 4 is designated as coarse and 4 to 10 as intermediate

Study area Characteristics:

- 8% sub basins have intermediate texture
- 92% sub basins have very fine texture

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73°40'0"E

73°45'0"E

Recharge zone map of the study area

19°0'0"N

18°55'0"N

18°50'0"N

73°30'0"E

73°35'0"E

73°40'0"E

73°45'0"E



Kilometers

0 1.5 3 6 9

Legend

♦ Village

Stream order

Recharge zone

Grade 1

Grade 2

Grade 3

Study area

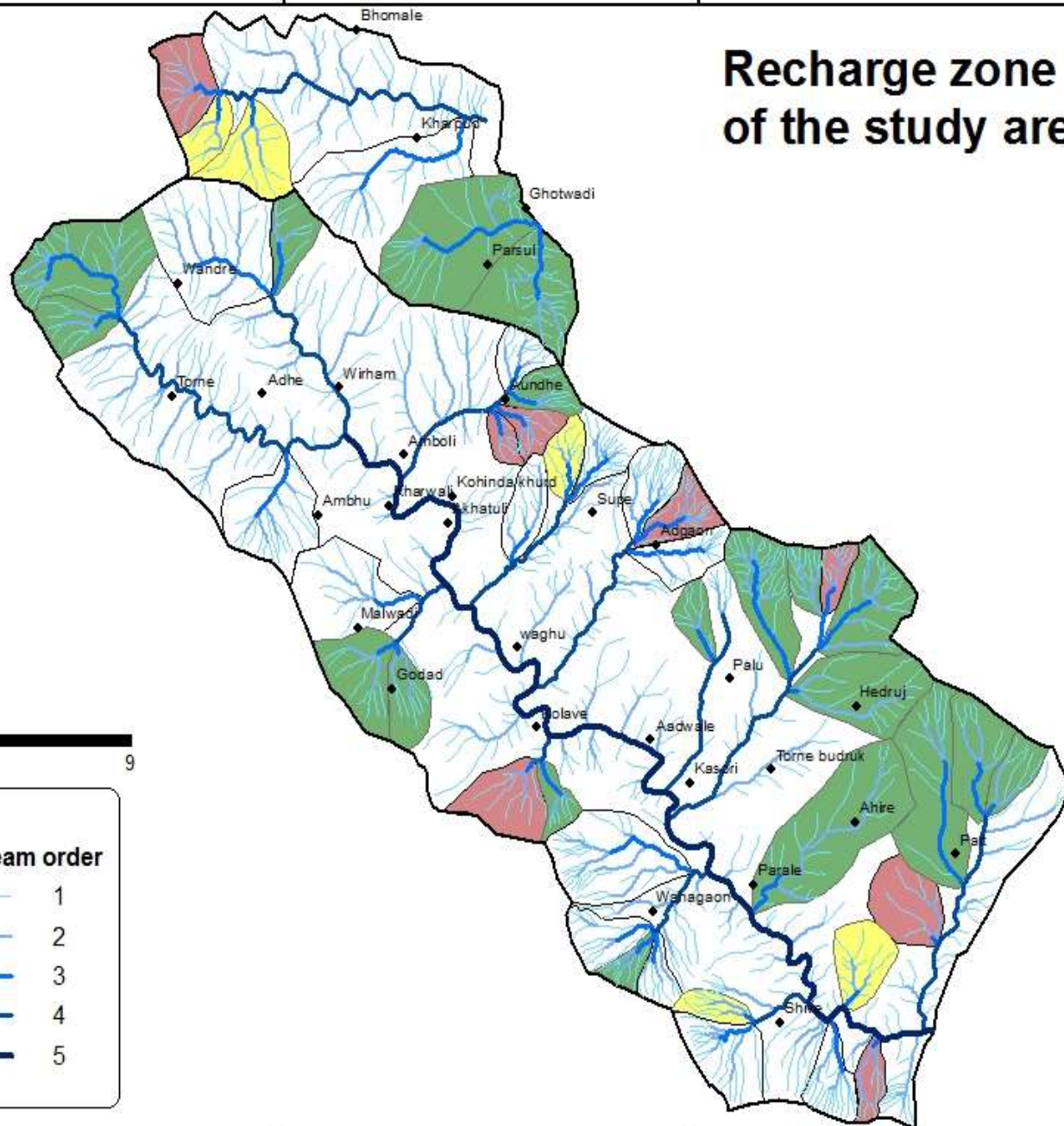
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RECHARGE VULNERABILITY INDEX

- The concept of RECHARGE VULNERABILITY recognizes the risk to groundwater recharging potential on account of any externality

Two formulae have been developed to integrate two scenarios, in estimating the RVI

- If Bifurcation ratio is more than 5 then,
Vulnerability Index = (Bifurcation ratio* Number of lineaments) / Slope
- If Bifurcation ratio is equal to 2 then,
Vulnerability Index = Number of lineaments / Slope
- level of risk for groundwater recharging potential is more in grade1 vulnerable zones while lesser in grade 3 vulnerable zones

Vulnerability Grade	Bifurcation ratio	Vulnerability index
Grade1	5	> 250
	2	> 30
Grade2	5	250 to 60
	2	30 to 15
Grade3	5	< 60
	2	< 15

Recharge vulnerable zone map of the study area



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Kilometers



Legend

• Village

Recharge vulnerabale zone

Stream order

Grade 1

1

Grade 2

2

Grade 3

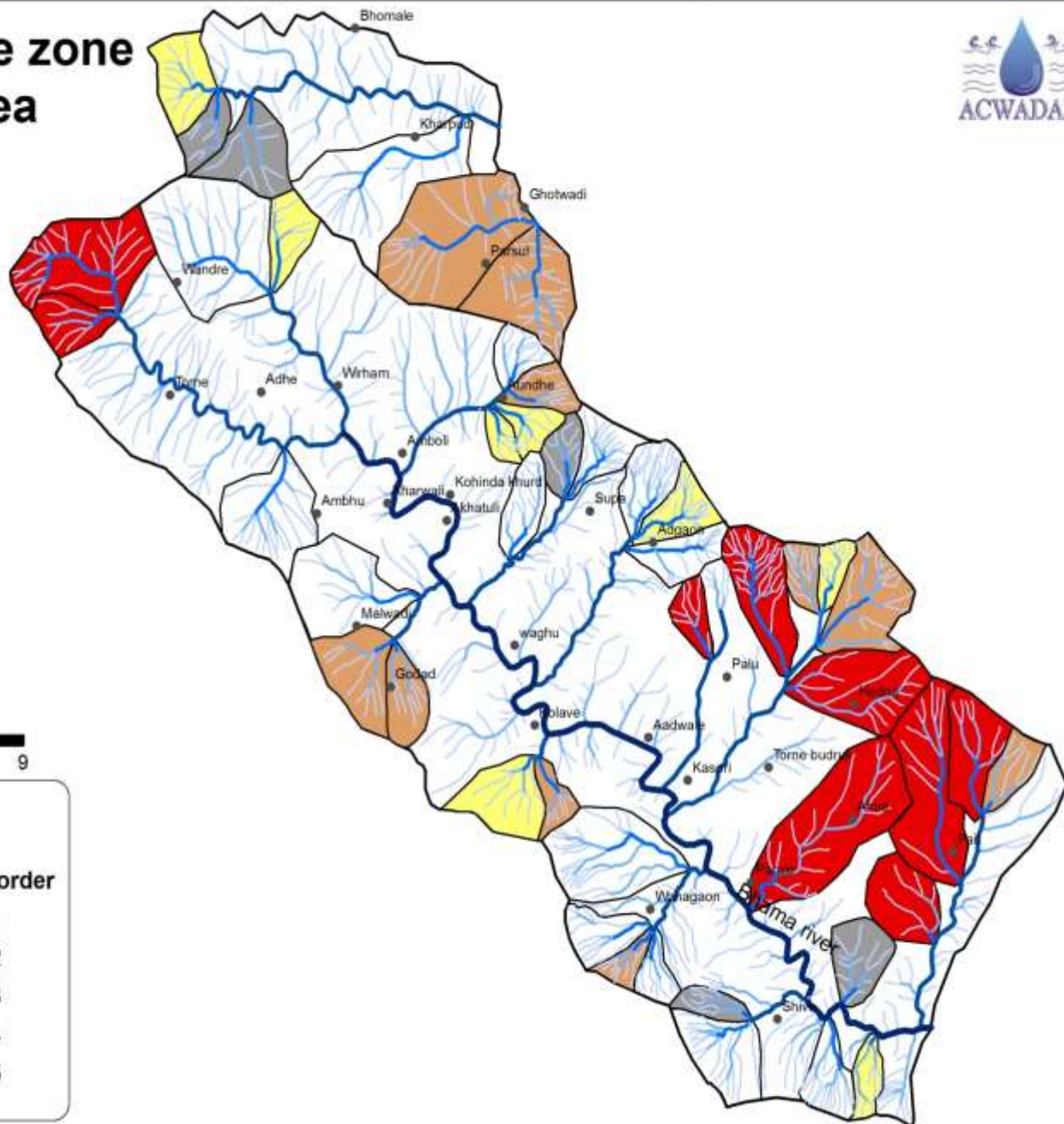
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Basin without linements,
having structural control

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Study area

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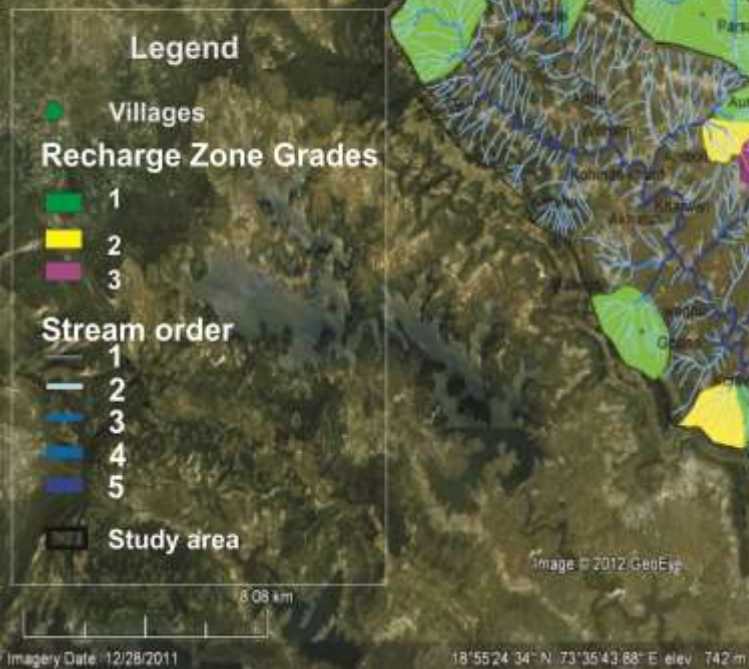
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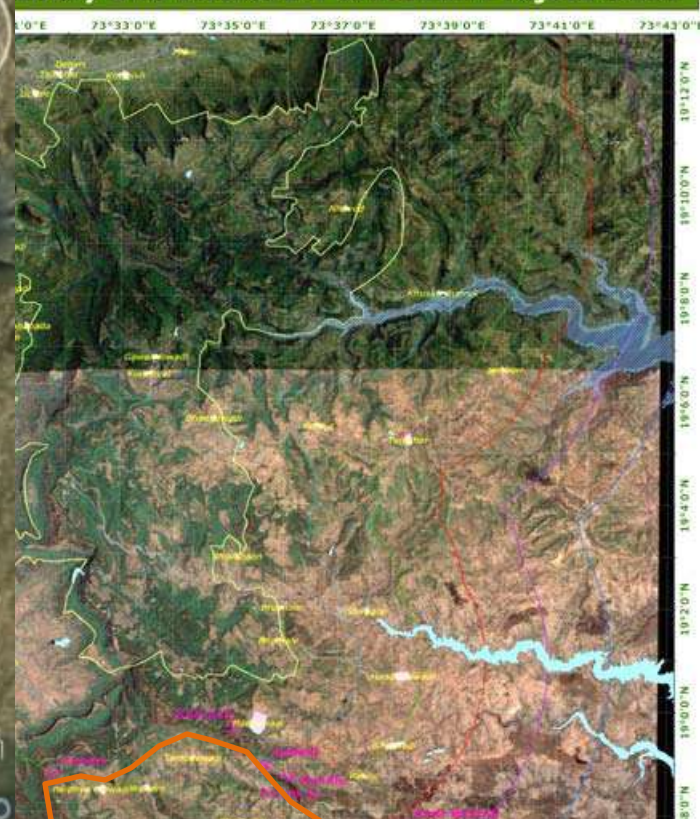
CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- In the recharge zones, the “knick points” are most vulnerable, and are the points of potential recharge
- Wherever such points coincide with the tops of vesicular-amygdaloidal basalts or compound basalt units or are part of a fracture-bearing linear feature, they are definite recharge areas for the underlying aquifers
- These potential recharge zones play a crucial role in maintaining the potential of underlying aquifers
- These zones can be the potential areas where conservation and percolation related activities can be undertaken
- Debris resulting from infra-projects is often littered on such recharge zones, which in the longer-term, could preclude recharge to underground aquifers

Drape of the Recharge zone map of the study area on a Google Image



Sanctuary and ENERCON Windmill Project Sites



- Grade 1: 10 of 19
 - Grade 2: 5 of 8
 - Grade 3: 4 of 5
- recharge zones are already disturbed to various degrees on account of land-use/land-cover disturbances resulting from windmill installations.

Examples of disturbances of natural recharge zones in the region as a result of infrastructure creation for windmill projects



A scenic landscape featuring rolling green hills under a bright, cloudy sky. A prominent, jagged rock peak stands out on the right side of the horizon. The foreground is filled with lush green grass and several scattered trees. A concrete fence post is visible in the bottom right corner.

THANK YOU.....!!!