

The Karjat Drinking Water Project

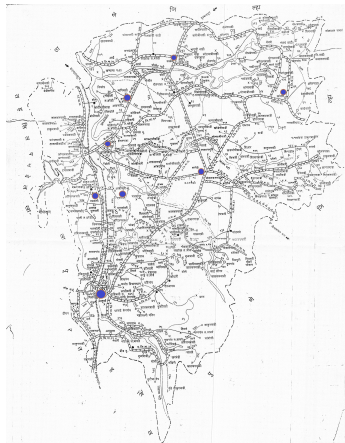
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Karjat



- Raigad district, Panvel division.
- area of 238 sq. km. of which 70 sq. km. in Tribal block.
- 10,000 urban and 27,000 rural households.
- 50,000 urban and 14 lakhs rural, with about 70% literacy.
- 175 hamlets, 49 gram-panchayats, 3 towns.

Drinking water

- Though about 2000-3000mm rainfall, frequent and severe drinking water shortage in many *wadis*.
- This year, about 25 wadis are *dry* since april.
 - ▶ 40 liters per person per day within 1.5 km.
- About 40 wadis dry today, esp. in the north Karjat area.
- South Karjat served by the tail-water of Bhivpuri Hydel station through *Pej* river.

Objectives

- **To make Karjat taluka drinking water secure**
- To design a series of interventions: *technical, administrative, policy*.
 - ▶ Pilot studies and pilot implementations

The Gudwanwadi and the Khandas GP project

The Gudwanwadi Project:

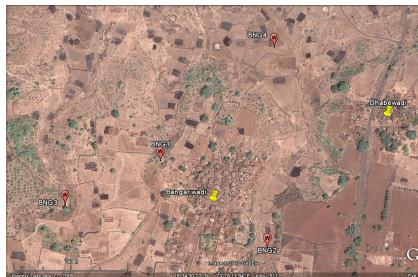
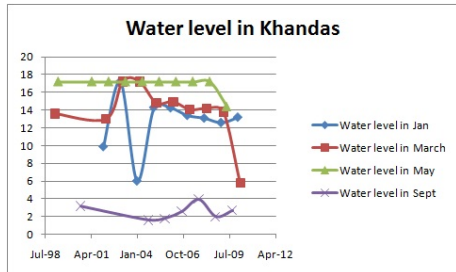
- Hamlet of *gudwanwadi* in Borivali GP.
- Check-dam 85m in length with storage of 19,000 cu.m.
- Partial drinking and livelihood water security.
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The Khandas GP Project:

- A historical narrative of past interventions.
- Evaluation of the current records held at GP and taluka level.
- Design of a new Water Plan Document at GP level
 - ▶ Belief : Better knowledge \Rightarrow better availability
 - ▶ Supply and Demand understanding
 - ▶ Seasonal data and its sustainable gathering

The GP Water Plan

- The demand: household and commercial. Seasonality.
- Sources: open wells, handpumps and energized borewells.
- Ponds and tanks: storage and seasonal levels.
- Location and yields.
- Capacity building at GP level



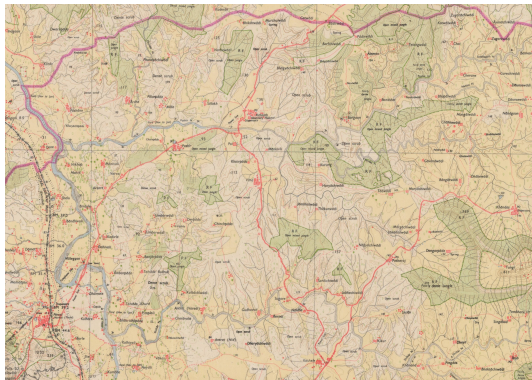
The Khandas valley



Another project: A feasibility study

A North Karjat rural drinking water grid

- Use of Bhivpuri discharge to develop a pipeline system.
- Demand distribution:
lat-long,
elevation, lpd
- Existing projects: design norms, best practices.
- **Proposed design:** techno-economic and social analysis.

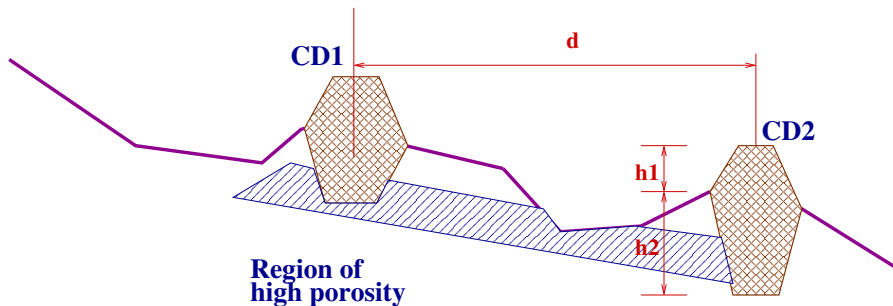


Analysis Project- since 2008

- Rs. 1500 crores in watershed development.
- Planning of small hydro-geologic structures for drinking water.

Simulator

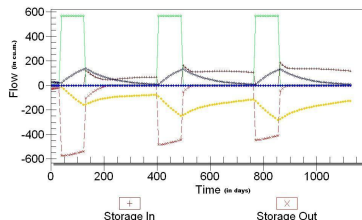
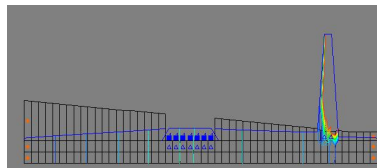
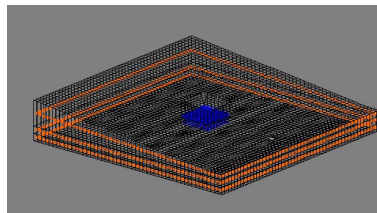
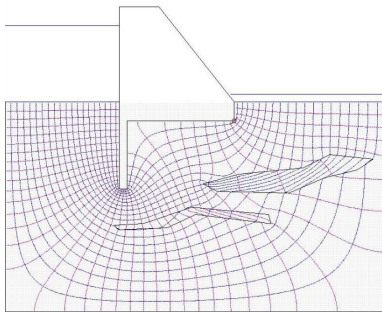
- Enable design and dimensioning.
- Achieve better water balance.



The Simulator

Objective: Simulate the basic groundwater flow equation and its variants.

- Basic variables: head, flow and conductivity.



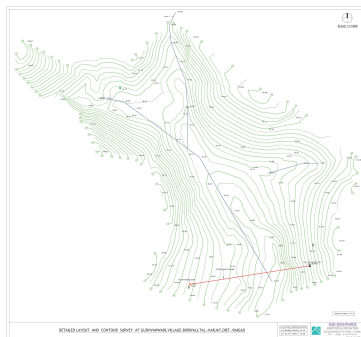
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MODFLOW.

Key objectives:

- Standardization of TITWI on key situations.
- Integration of TITWI with more advanced modules.
- Making TITWI GIS enabled.



Research Assistant: Requirements

- Build a suitable GIS backbone for various tasks:
 - ▶ GP level atlas and layers
 - ▶ analysis layers for GP, taluka and district level.
- Design and pilot implementation for data sharing between GP and taluka.
 - ▶ GPS, hand-held or mobile applications. Server side support.
- Sustainability, usability analysis and capacity building.
- Extension of GIS support to other design functions, such as percolation tank or piped systems.

Qualities :

- Interest in water! www.cse.iitb.ac.in/~sohoni/TD603
- Excited about Fieldwork and Delivery.
- Good writing, speaking and reporting skills.
- Believes that engineering is also a social activity.