

# **WATER RESOURCES SYSTEMS, PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT**

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# Content

- A Water Resources System
- Hydraulic Projects
- Conception, Planning, Design, Construction, Operation
- Water sharing policies
- Case Studies.

# Water Resources System

- Water Resources are special
- Natural states they are beautiful.
- People like to live and vacation near rivers, lakes and coasts.
- Water can erode rock, alter existing landscapes and form new ones.
- All of the food we grow, process and eat requires water.
- Much of our waste is transported and assimilated by water.



# What is the Problem?

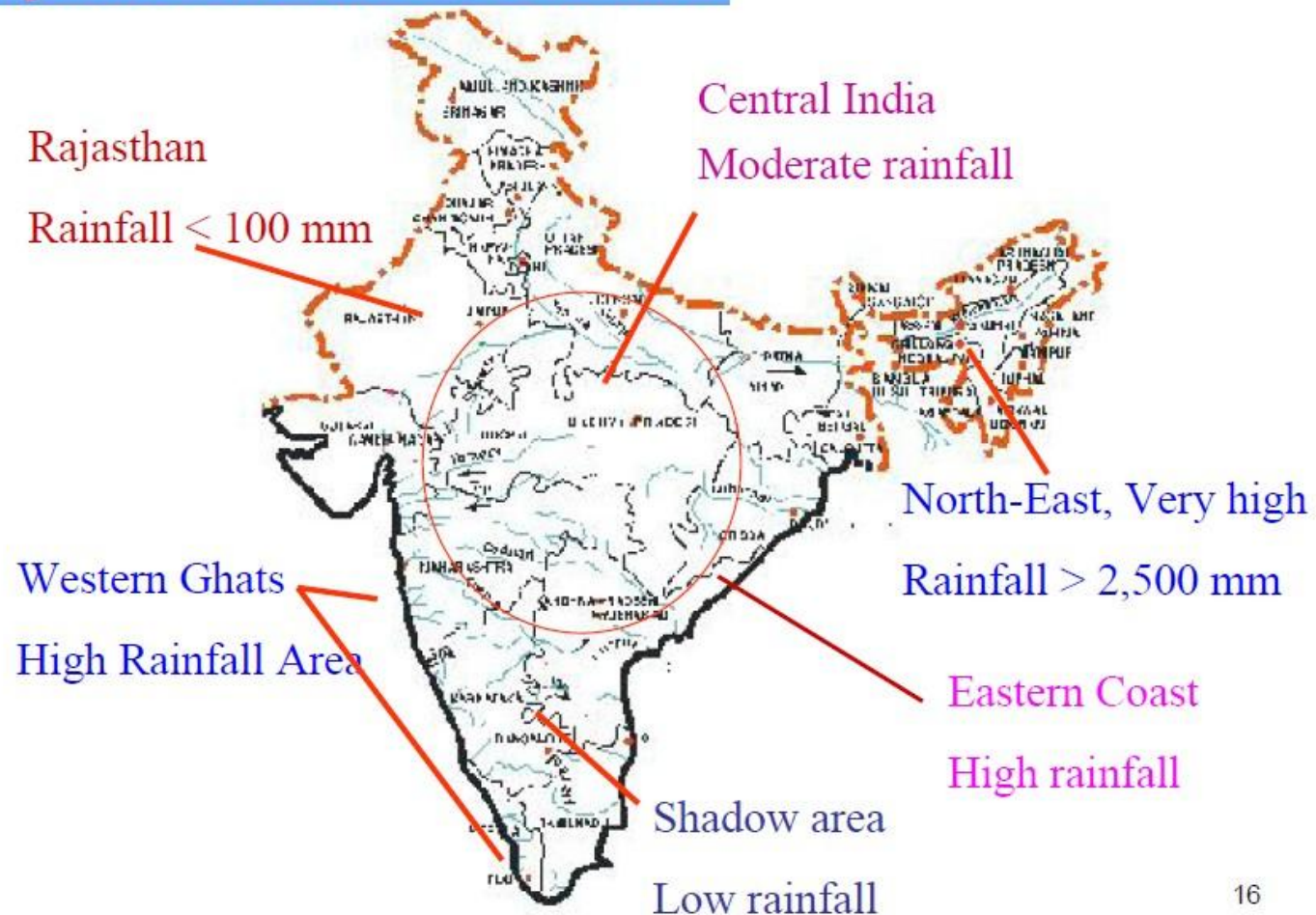
- Water is not distributed as we might wish
- There is often too much or too little
- What exists is too polluted or too expensive
- Water situation is likely to further deteriorate as a result of global climate changes



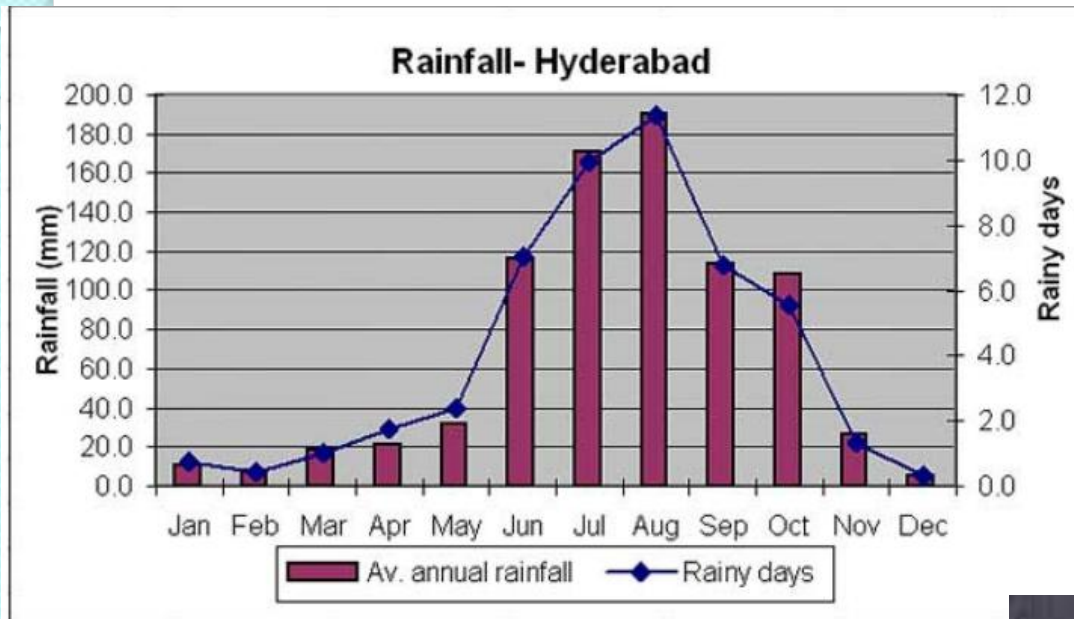


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## Spatial Distribution of Rainfall

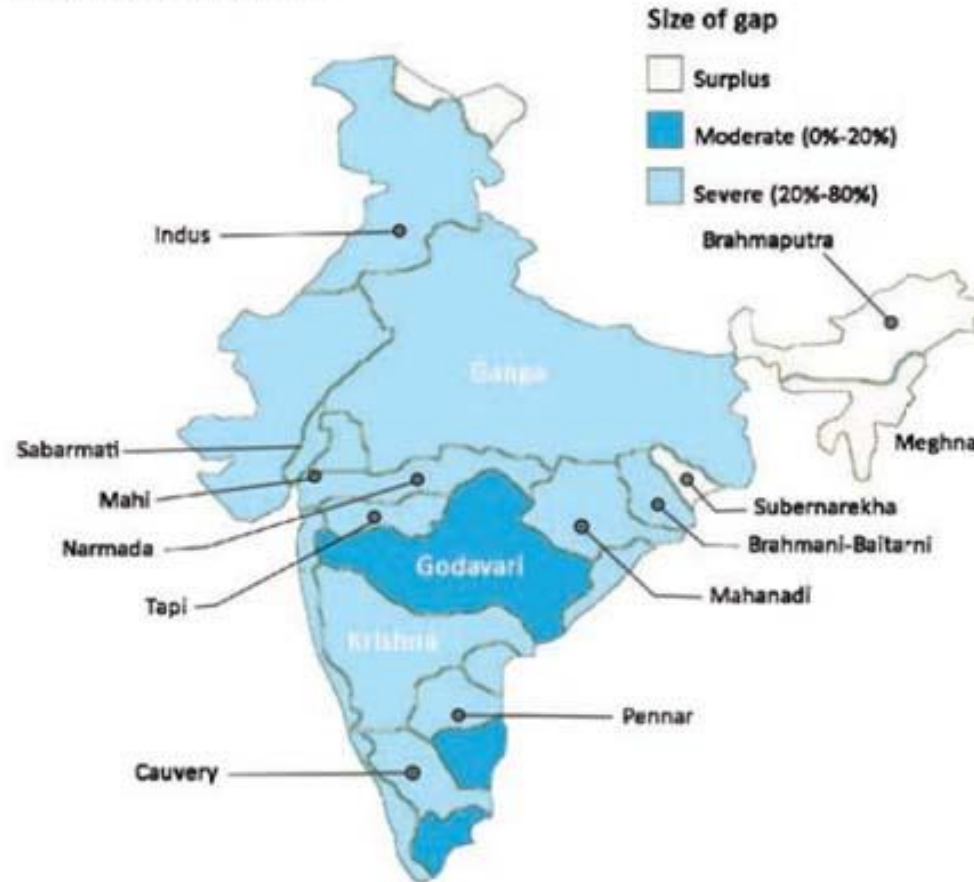


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# India's Water Supply and Demand Gap

Gap between existing supply and projected demand in 2030  
Percent of 2030 demand



Source: Addams et al. (2009 : 55)

# What is the Solution?

The mismatch of supply and demand over time and space has motivated the development of much of the water resources infrastructure that is in place today.

- Hydraulic Projects
- Basin Watershed Management
- Integrated Water Resources Management



# Design of Hydraulic Structures

**Non-uniform**

**Transport**

**Precipitation**



**Storage  
Structure**



**Demand  
Point**

**At Surplus  
Locations During  
Surplus Period**

# Hydraulic or Water Resources Projects

- Flood control and Famine Reduction
- National economy
- Electric power generation
- Silt mitigation and navigation
- Irrigation and draining
- Fish handling and farming
- Ecologic protection, and recreation





# Hydraulic Projects

- A number of hydraulic structures are constructed to form a hydraulic project known as the water resources project.
- The goal of **sustainable water management** is to promote water use in such a way that society's needs are both met to the extent possible now and in the future.
- Managing water resources requires knowledge of the relevant physical sciences and technology.

# Water Resources System Management



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# Regional Water Resources System

- Conception
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- Design
- Construction
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# Conception of Regional Water Resources System

- How much of water is needed?
- How much water is available?
- How are the requirements will be satisfied by the supplies?
- How is the used up water disposed of?
- What is the source of Water?

# Statement of Objectives

- A national Govt. may have a goal of achieving maximum economic and social benefits for the entire nation
- A state Govt. may have a single objective of reducing the flood damage within its boundaries
- The corporations or metropolitan councils or village panchayats need water supply or irrigation facilities

# Data Required

- **Physical:** Location, topography, climate
- **Hydrological:** Precipitation, streamflow, sediment etc.
- **Geological:** Soil survey, erosion, ground water, minerals etc.
- **Cartographic:** Maps
- **Ecological:** Vegetation, fish and wild life
- **Economic:** industry, transportation, tourism, markets etc.
- **Legal:** Water rights, land ownership, intrastate and interstate problems, operation rights etc.
- **Public Opinion**
- **Data on Existing Projects**



# Projections for planning

- A hydraulic project must be planned to meet present as well as future water requirements
- Projections of future needs compatible to population growth should be made
- Unrealistic higher values of water needs may lead to over design and excessive investments


# Site Selection for a Hydraulic Project

- Suitable dam site should exist – A narrow valley opening – shorter length of dam – low cost of the project
- A wide river valley above the dam site – more water storage – adequate reservoir capacity
- Deep reservoir – shallow reservoir has more evaporation, higher land cost, prone to weed growth
- Less marshy land and vegetative growth should be less – Impact on Quality of water
- Impervious rock formation to prevent leakages
- Reservoir banks and hilly abutments should be stable to avoid hill slides or soil movement into the reservoir
- Submerged land cost
- Accessibility




# Investigations for a Hydraulic Project

- Geology of the catchment area
- Water tightness of reservoir
- Suitability of foundation for the dam
- Geological features such as faults, fissures and folds etc.
- Location of permeable and soluble rocks
- Ground water contribution in the region
- Location of quarry sites
- Study of runoff pattern
- Study of the worst flood, to determine the spillway capacity and design



# Components of Hydraulic Structures

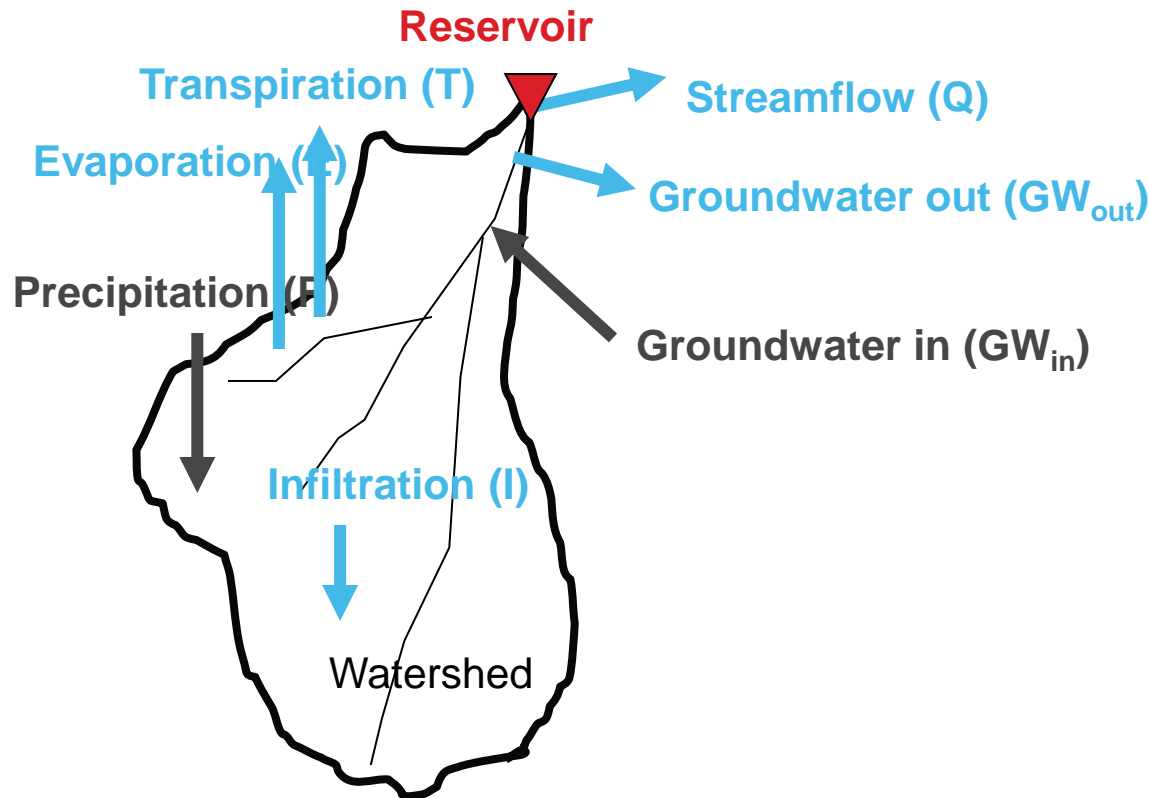
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- **Collection:** Drain inlets, Infiltration Galleries, Wells

# Water Availability or Inflows to Reservoirs



## Physical characteristics affecting Runoff

- Land use
- Vegetation
- Soil type
- Drainage area
- Basin shape
- Elevation
- Topography
- Drainage network patterns
- Ponds, lakes, reservoirs etc. in the basin

## Hydro - meteorological factors affecting runoff

- Rainfall intensity, amount, duration
- Distribution of rainfall over the basin
- Antecedent moisture content

Hydrologic Budget (In – Out =  $\Delta$ Storage)

$$(P + GW_{in}) - (E + T + I + GW_{out} + Q) = \Delta \text{Storage}_{\text{reservoir}}$$



**Reservoir**

**Upstream**

**Dam body**

**Spillway**

**Downstream**



# Reservoir

- An area or a water body formed due to construction of a Dam

## Benefits

- Protection from flood
- Water Storage
  - Irrigation
  - Hydropower
  - Water supply
  - Navigation
- Improvement in Climate
- Improved water supply and Sanitation

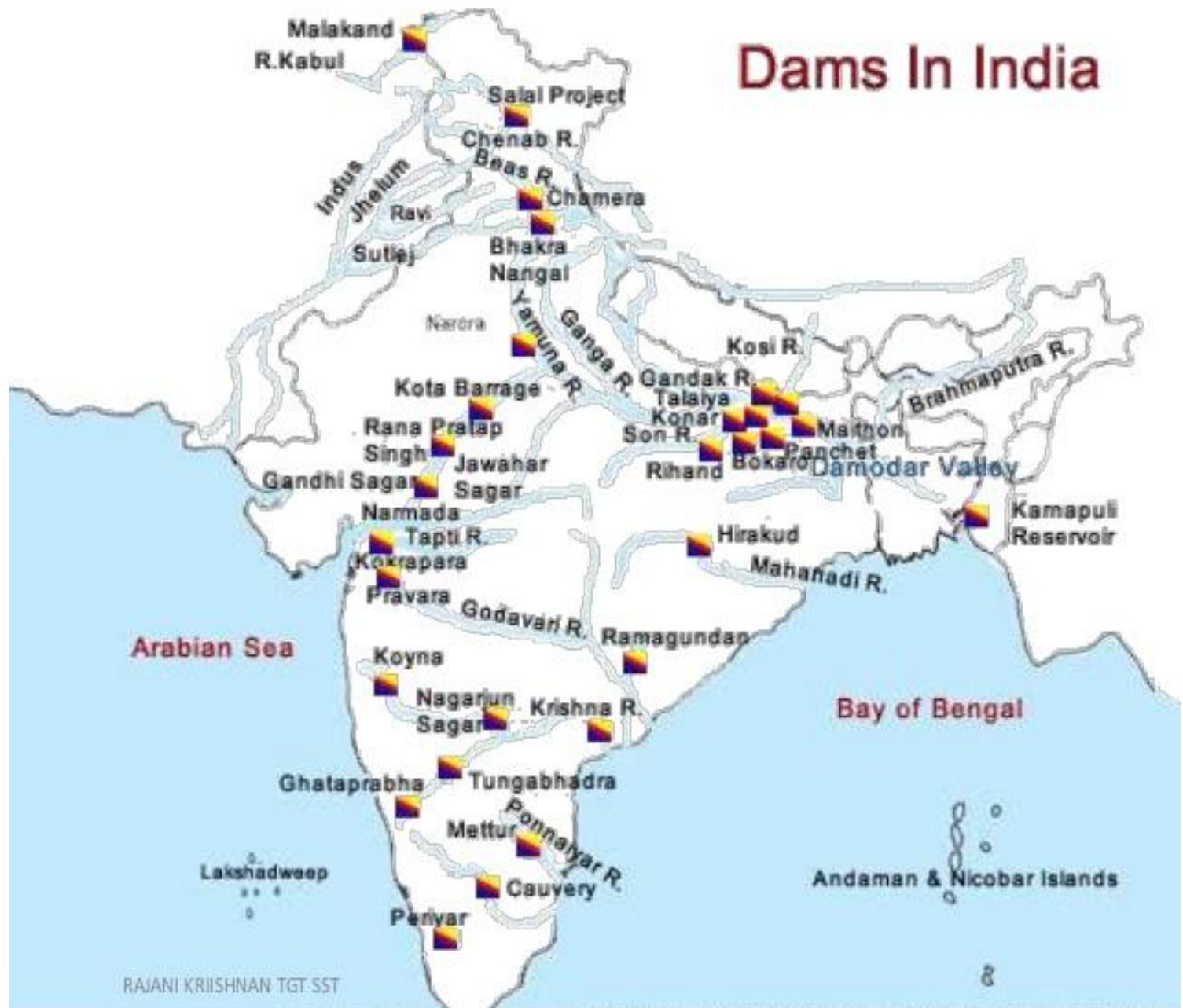
## Issues to be Considered

- Submergence of fertile valley lands
- Displacement of Large Population and wild life
- Possible adverse effects on Ecology of the project area

# Indian Reservoirs and Dams

- In terms of number of dams, India ranks fourth after China, USA and Russia.
- Currently there are 4710 completed large dams and 390 are under-construction
- Indira Sagar – Narmada River in Madhya Pradesh
- Nagarjuna Sagar – Krishna River in Andhra Pradesh
- Hirakud Reservoir – Mahanadi River
- Gobind Sagar reservoir - Sutlej river, Himachal Pradesh.


# Dams In India



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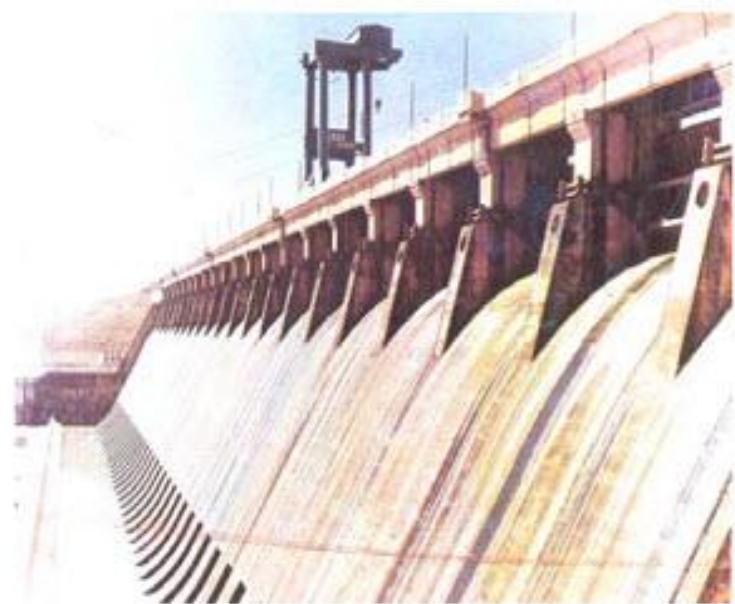
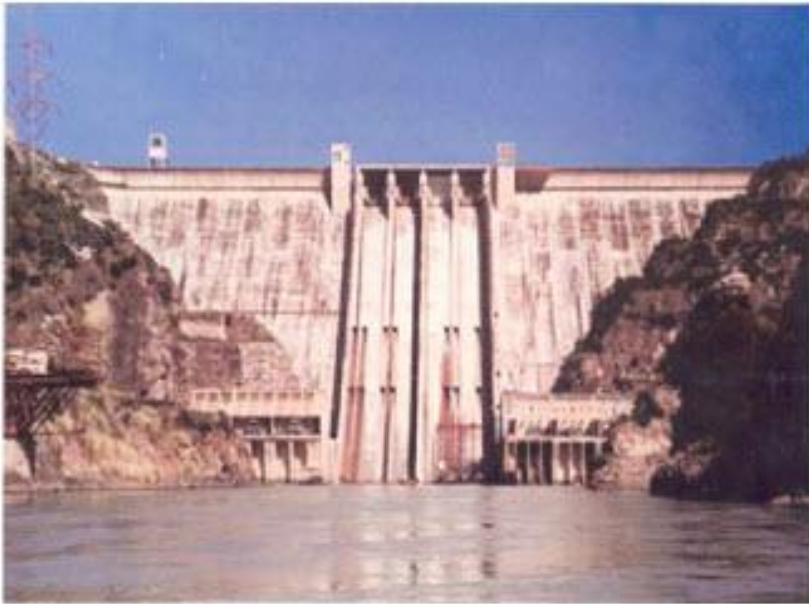




# SPILLWAY

- ❑ Effectively disposing of the surplus water from upstream to downstream
- ❑ Dispose the surplus water and will not let the water rise above the maximum reservoir level, a safety valve for a dam.
- ❑ Prevent overtopping and possible failure of the dam
- ❑ Structurally and hydraulically adequate to withstand under worst and variable loading conditions.


# **SPILLWAY IN BHAKRA DAM AND SPILLWAY IN HIRAKUD DAM**




# **TROUGH OR CHUTE SPILLWAY**



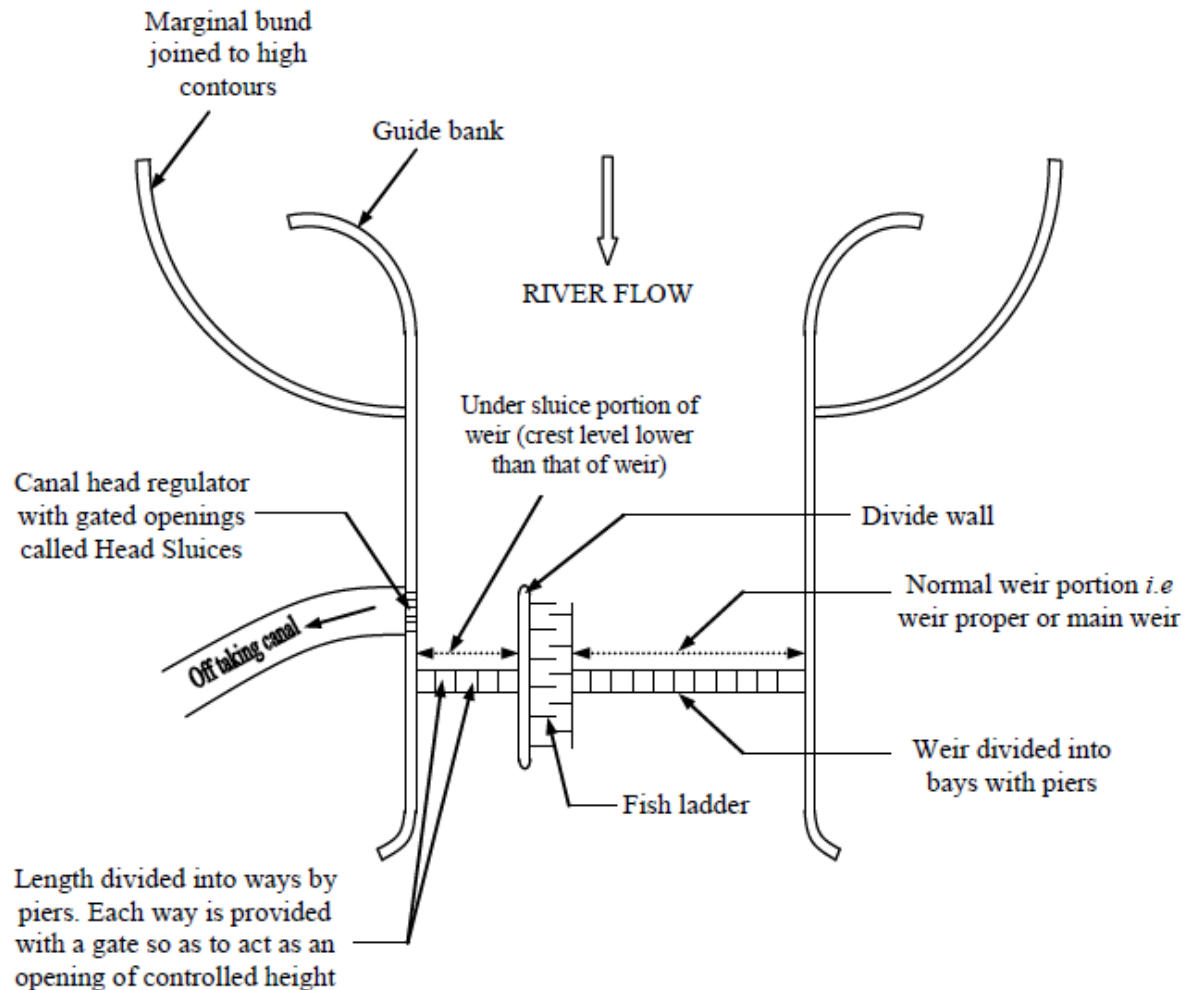
**Tehri dam, India**




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# Diversion Head Works



**Fig: Typical layout of diversion head-works**



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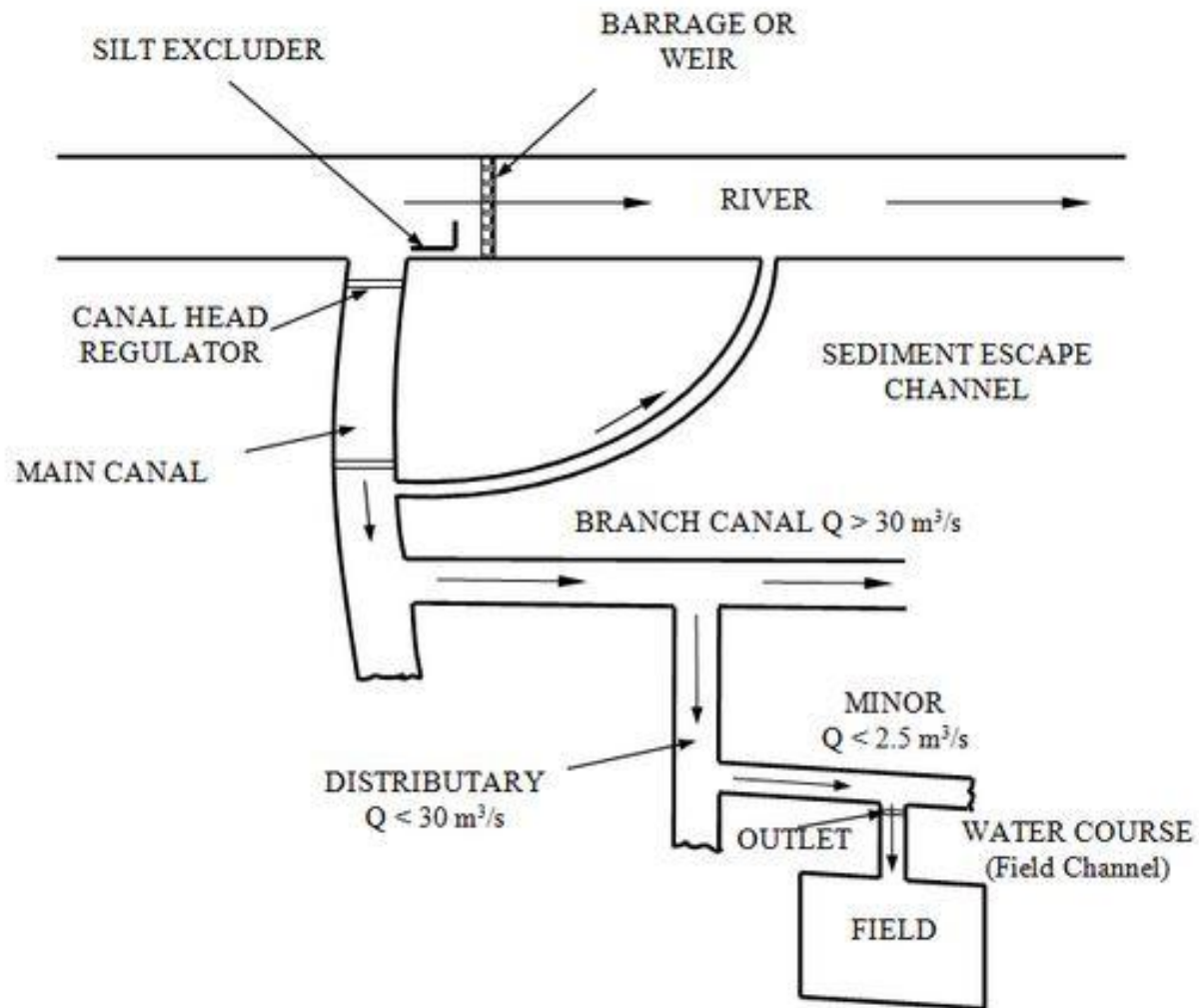


# Canals

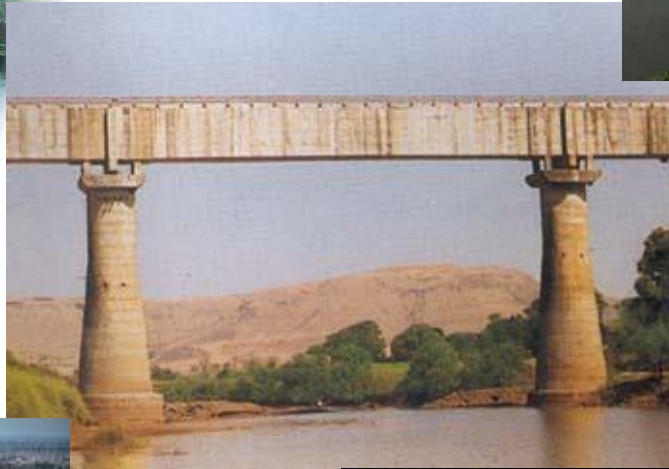
Indira Gandhi Canal in Rajasthan



# Distribution of Water

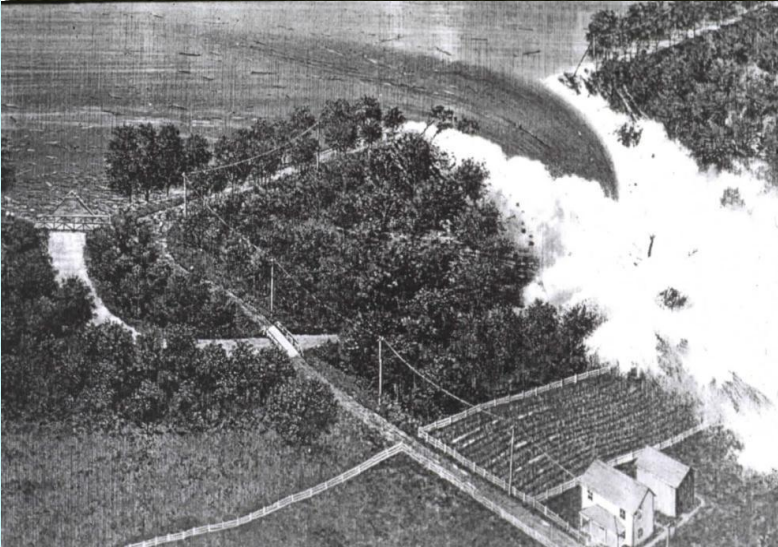
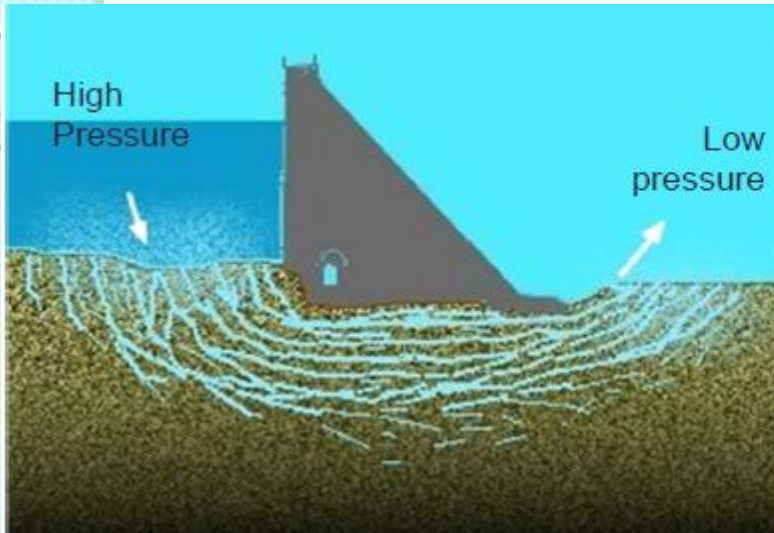


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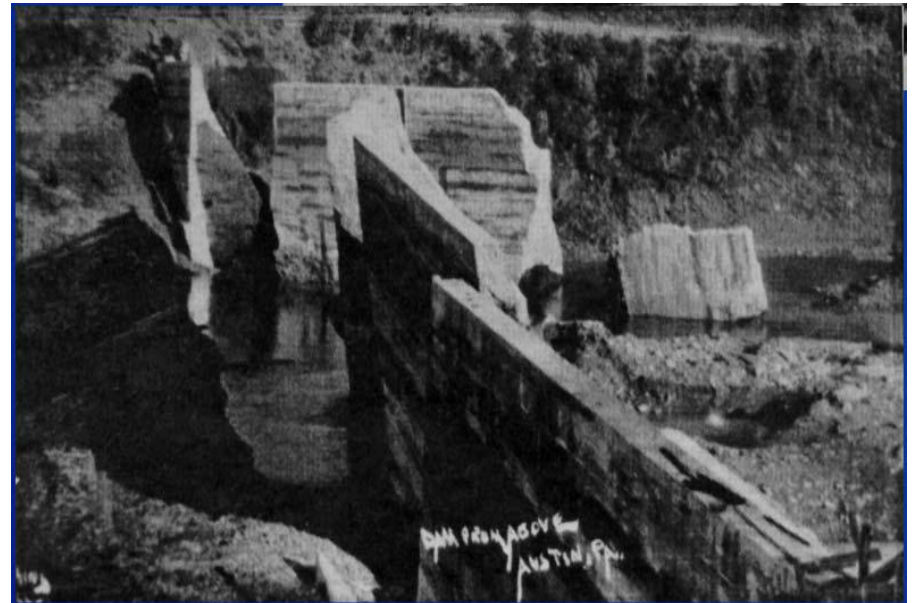




# Failures of Hydraulic Projects



# GRAVITY DAM OVERTOPPING





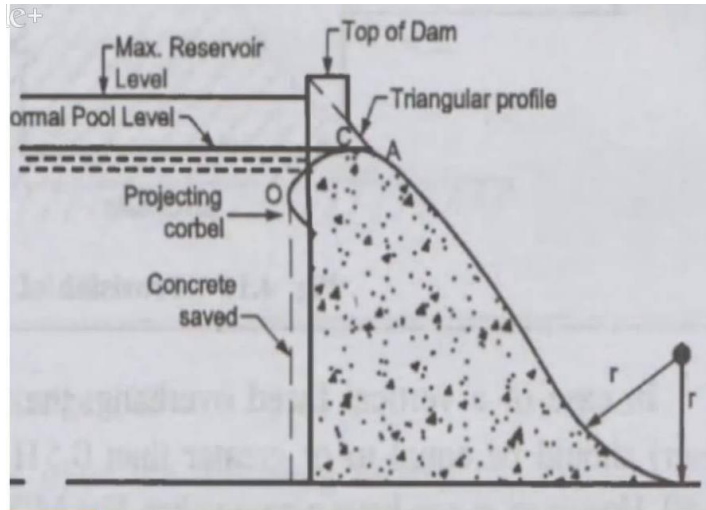
# 1979 Machchhu dam failure



- Machchu-2 dam, situated on the Machhu river, the town of Morbi in the Rajkot district of Gujarat.
- dam failure is due to flood disaster which occurred on August 11, 1979 in India.
- Estimates of the number of people killed vary greatly ranging from 1800 to **25000** people.
- The spillway capacity provided for **5663 m<sup>3</sup>/s** but the actual flow reached is **16307 m<sup>3</sup>/s**, thrice what the dam was designed for, resulting in its collapse.
- Within 20 minutes the floods of 12 to 30 ft (3.7 to 9.1 m) height inundated the low-lying areas of Morbi industrial town located 5 km below the dam.
- During reconstruction of the dam the capacity of the spillway was increased by 4 times and fixed at about **21,000 m<sup>3</sup>/s**.



# Construction of a Hydraulic Project

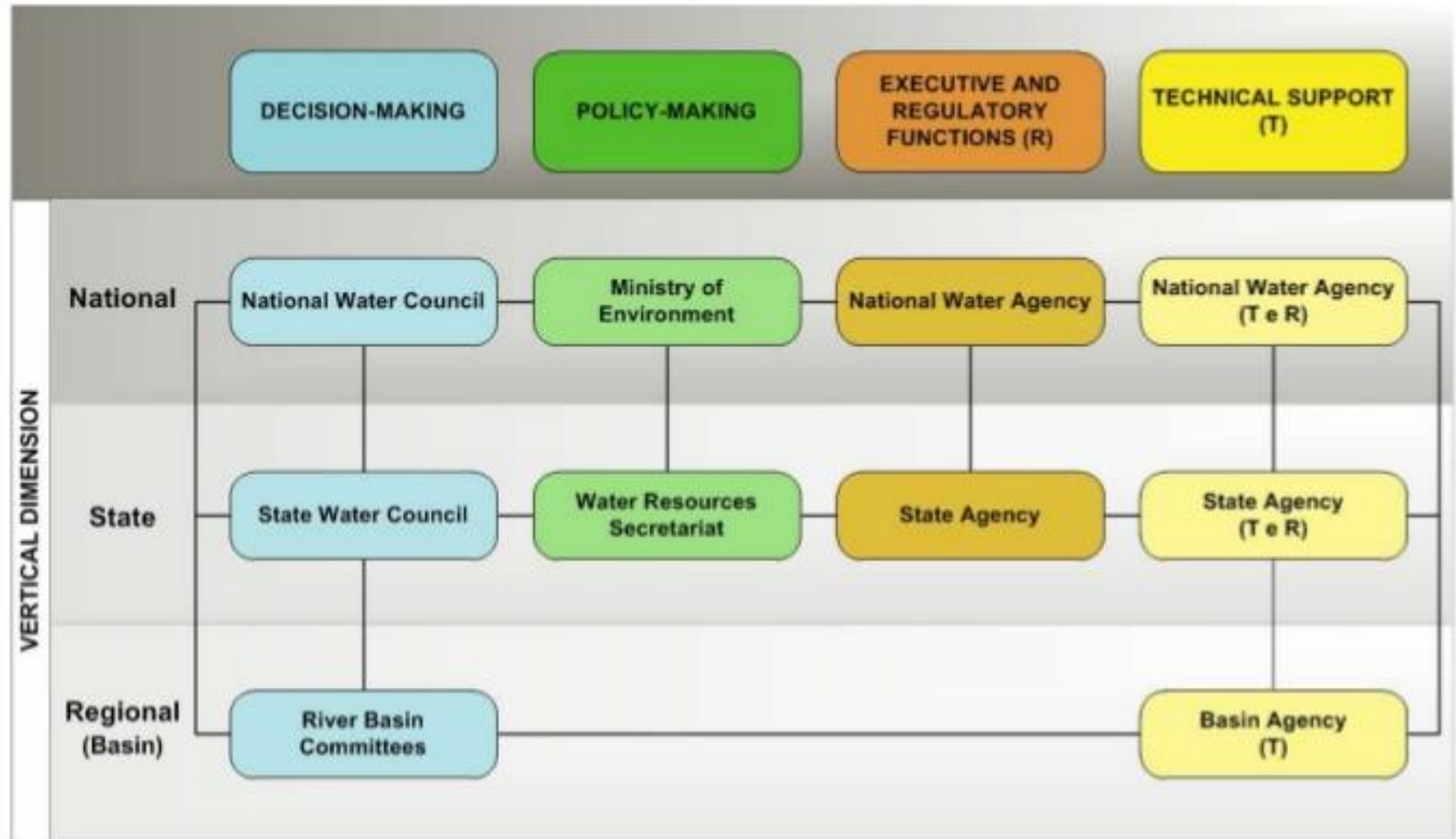


**Solar panels** are being installed along a 1 kilometre (0.62 mi) pilot project section of the Sanand Branch Canal near Chandrasan village to generate 1 megawatt (1,300 hp) of electricity. The panels are forecast to also reduce evaporation of water from the canal by 9,000,000 litres (2,000,000 imp gal; 2,400,000 US gal) per year



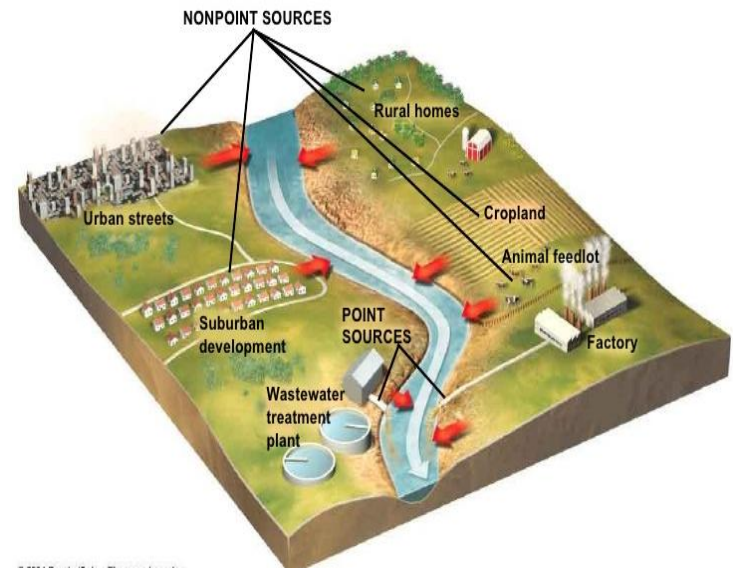
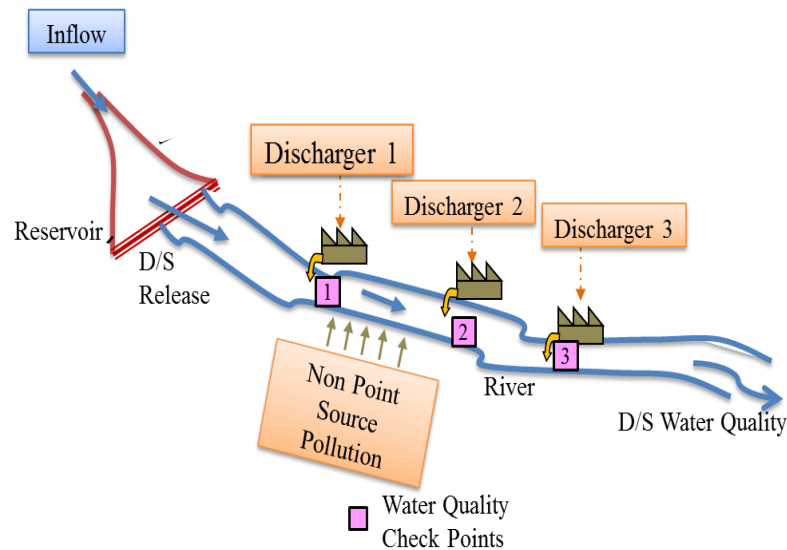
Installed solar panels in covered Narmada Canal

# Operation of a Hydraulic Project



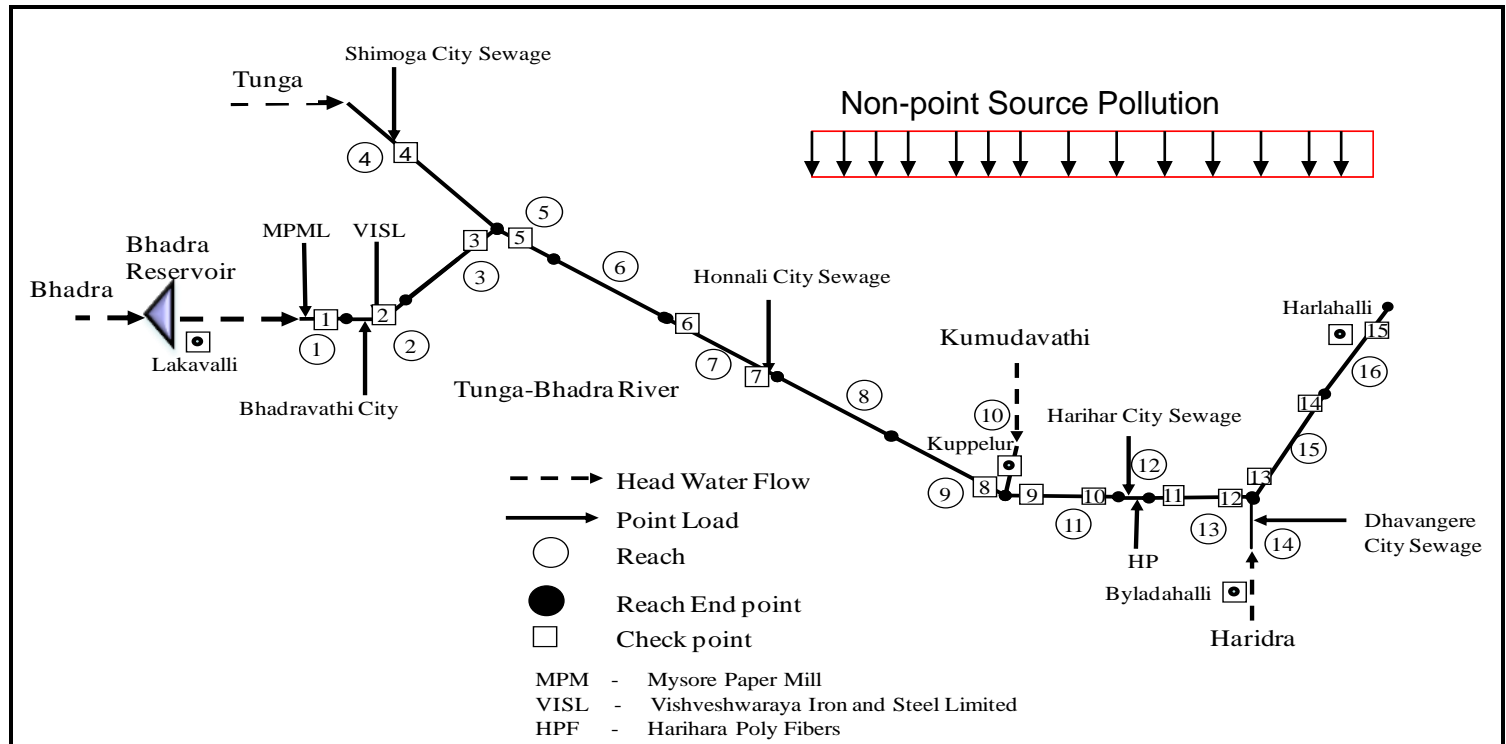


# River Water Quality System



- A river system is subjected to a number of pollutants, and these pollutants change the water quality in the river.
- For the estimation of extent of pollution, water quality indicators like DO will be checked at some check points by Pollution Control Agency(PCA), so that DO should be within desirable limit.

# Waste Load Allocation Models



- WLA refers to determining the required pollutant treatment levels at a number of point and non point sources to attain a satisfactory water quality response in a receiving water body in an economically efficient manner.
- To arrive at optimal fraction removal levels addressing uncertainty due to randomness, fuzziness and partial ignorance due to missing data or limited data in the input variables.

# Major challenges of Agriculture



Climate change -  
variability -  
extremes



Soil fertility



Water  
management



Impact of  
hazardous  
pesticides and  
nitrogen fertilizers



Burning of crop  
residue



Alkalinity of soils

## Various problems accompanying urbanization

- Decrease in river flow at ordinary times
- Increase in river runoff at times of rain
- Decline in capacity of stable supply at water supply facilities
- Deterioration of water quality
- Depletion of spring water
- Ground subsidence, etc.

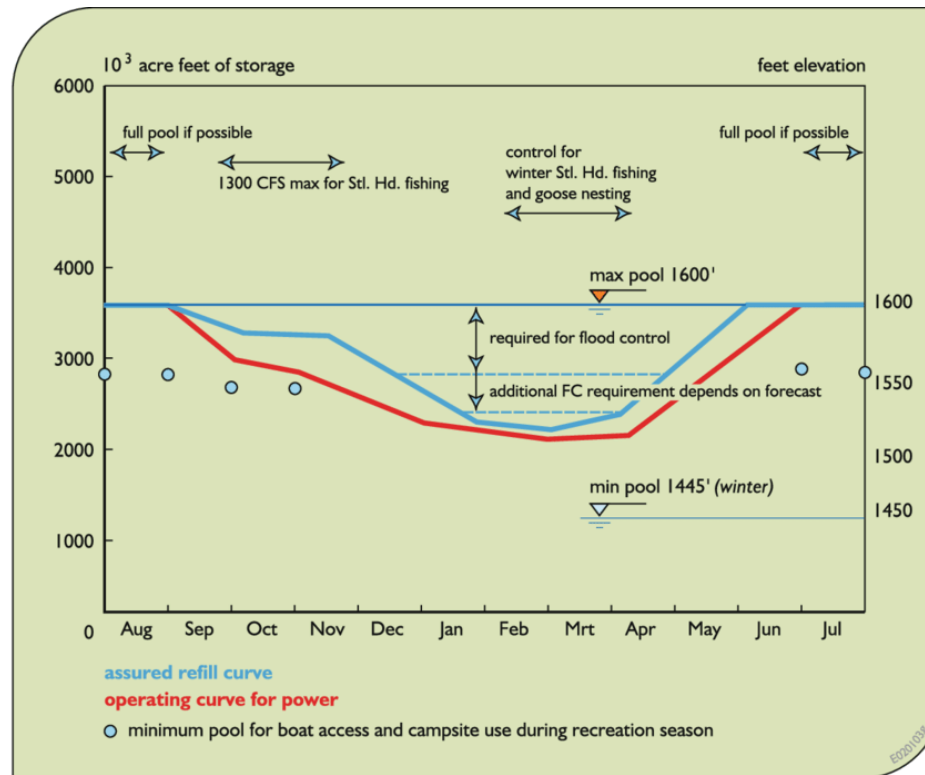


## Necessity of sound hydrological cycles

- Securing of safe and tasty water
- Avoidance of urban flood damage
- Maintenance of river flow at ordinary times
- Alleviation of damage by water shortage
- Mitigation of the heat island phenomenon



# Reservoir Release Policies

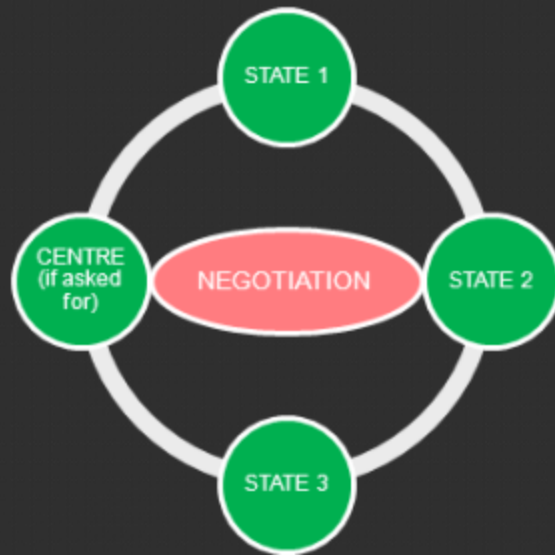


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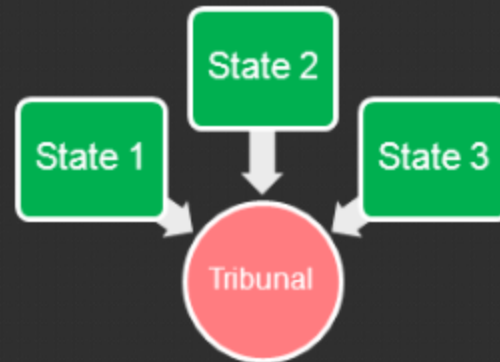
# Interstate Water Disputes

- Disputes arising among the states in sharing a river water
- As per the inter-state river water disputes act, 1956 (ISRWD Act, 1956), the water disputes among two or more state Govt. the central govt. receives a request.

## Methods of Resolution



Eg. Yamuna River water dispute among Delhi, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh



Eg. The Godavari Water Disputes Tribunal,  
Krishna River Water Disputes Tribunal,  
The Ravi & Beas Waters Tribunal,  
The Namada Water Disputes Tribunal,  
The Kaveri Water Disputes Tribunal.

# Approaches of Resolution

## Sub-basin Division Approach

- The whole river basin is divided into Sub-basins and thereafter the concerned parties are allocated with the command of Sub-basin lying within their area.

Eg. Indus Water Treaty, 1960 between India and Pakistan. India has rights over three eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas & Satluj) and Pakistan over Western rivers (Chenab, Jhelum and Indus)



Similar, approach was taken in Godavari river dispute among Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa)

## Principle of Equitable apportionment

- The proportionate share of states are decided on the basis of their respective property rights, area of drainage, investments, uses and total volume of water in the river.

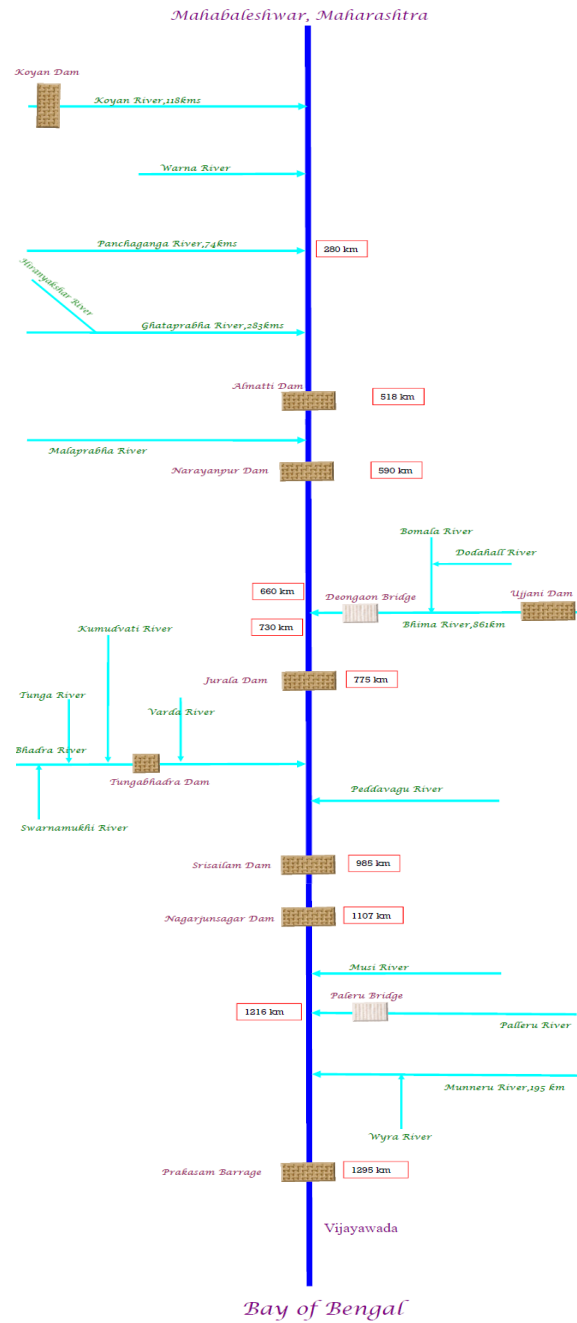
Eg. The award of Kaveri Water

Tribunal :-

| State         | Allotted water (TMC ft) |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Tamil Nadu    | 419                     |
| Karnataka     | 270                     |
| Kerala        | 30                      |
| Puducherry    | 7                       |
| Reserved      | 10                      |
| Sea discharge | 4                       |
| Total         | 740                     |

# Krishna River Water Allocation

| State          | TMC  |
|----------------|------|
| Maharashtra    | 666  |
| Karnataka      | 911  |
| Andhra Pradesh | 1001 |





# Environmental Factors

- Hydraulic structures alter natural variation in higher and lower discharges.
- May disturb riverine ecological processes such as spawning and migration of fish species
- Estimations of livelihood impacts for different groups of people, such as farmers, fishermen, and reed harvesters. In the
- Inclusion of economic, environmental and social impacts of basin-wide water resources