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1. INTRODUCTION

Efficient water management is a critical aspect of sustainable urban development, particularly as global populations rise and climatic patterns shift. Accurate forecasting of water demand plays a pivotal role in ensuring the optimised distribution of this essential resource. By predicting future consumption patterns, utilities and policymakers can mitigate the risks of water shortages, reduce operational costs, and enhance service reliability.

This report explores the methodologies and tools employed in forecasting water demand, emphasizing their application in optimizing water distribution systems. It highlights the importance of integrating advanced technologies, such as machine learning algorithms and real-time data analytics, to enhance prediction accuracy. Additionally, the report examines case studies and best practices from various regions to provide actionable insights for water utility managers and planners.

The discussion underscores the interdependence of demand forecasting and distribution network efficiency, illustrating how precise projections can lead to significant resource conservation, energy savings, and improved water access for communities. Ultimately, this analysis aims to contribute to the broader objective of achieving sustainable water resource management in the face of evolving challenges.

1.1. Motivation

Water is a vital resource that supports life, sustains ecosystems, and drives economic and social development. However, the increasing global population, rapid urbanization, and the unpredictable impacts of climate change are placing immense pressure on water resources. These challenges necessitate the efficient management of water supply systems to ensure equitable access, minimize waste, and support sustainable development.

The process of forecasting water demand allows utility providers, policymakers, and engineers to anticipate future water needs and plan accordingly. This is crucial in minimizing the risks of over-supply, which leads to resource wastage and increased operational costs, as well as under-supply, which can disrupt daily life, hamper economic activities, and harm public health.

Moreover, the increasing adoption of smart water technologies and Internet of Things (IoT)-based solutions has created opportunities for more precise and dynamic demand forecasting. These innovations allow real-time monitoring of water consumption patterns and integration of diverse datasets, such as weather forecasts, population growth rates, and urban development plans.

The motivation for focusing on optimized water distribution through demand forecasting also stems from its environmental and economic benefits. Efficient distribution reduces energy consumption associated with water treatment and pumping, thereby lowering greenhouse gas emissions.

From an economic perspective, accurate demand forecasting minimizes financial losses by reducing costs associated with emergency responses, infrastructure overhauls, and water scarcity penalties

In conclusion, forecasting water demand for optimized distribution is not merely a technical challenge; it is a critical component of sustainable water resource management. By addressing this need, we can contribute to the broader goals of environmental conservation, economic efficiency, and societal well-being, while ensuring that future generations have access to this indispensable resource.

1.2. Objective

The primary objective of this report is to explore and outline methodologies for forecasting water demand to achieve optimized distribution, ensuring the efficient, equitable, and sustainable management of water resources.

The focus is to develop a framework that integrates advanced predictive tools, innovative technologies, and actionable insights for addressing the challenges posed by growing water demand and constrained supply systems.

This report aims to identify and evaluate various forecasting models that cater to both short-term operational needs and long-term strategic planning.

The project aims to:

- 1. **Anticipate Future Water Needs:** Develop accurate models to predict short-term and long-term water demand based on various influencing factors.
- 2. **Optimize Resource Allocation:** Enhance the efficiency of water distribution systems by aligning supply with demand forecasts.
- 3. **Support Sustainable Development:** Minimize water wastage and ensure equitable distribution to address the needs of growing populations and urban areas.
- 4. **Enhance System Resilience**: Prepare for potential disruptions, such as climate change impacts, through dynamic and adaptable forecasting approaches.
- 5. **Promote Environmental Conservation:** Reduce the over-extraction of natural water sources and lower energy consumption related to water distribution.
- 6. **Ensure Economic Efficiency:** Decrease operational costs and mitigate financial risks associated with water scarcity or infrastructure inefficiencies.
- 7. **Foster Public Trust:** Provide consistent and reliable water supply, building confidence in water management systems and authorities.

Furthermore, the objective includes identifying strategies to implement these forecasting tools within water management frameworks to achieve sustainable and efficient resource allocation.

2. EXISTING WORK

Numerous studies and technological advancements have focused on forecasting water demand for optimized distribution. These efforts span statistical, machine learning, and hybrid modelling approaches, as well as the integration of innovative tools like IoT and GIS-based systems.

1. Dataset Preprocessing

- 1. Dataset Source: Groundwater consumption and rainfall data.
- 2. Feature Selection: Chose Water_Consumption as the target variable and Rainfall as an influencing factor.
- 3. Data Cleaning:
 - o Renamed columns (Water Consumption, Rainfall).
 - Handled missing values using fillna() and dropna().
 - o Normalized data using MinMaxScaler() to scale values between 0 and 1.

2. Time-Series Data Preparation

- 1. Converted dataset into sequences with a window size of 10 time steps.
- 2. Splitting Data: 80% for training, 20% for testing.

3. LSTM Model Architecture

- 1. Why LSTM? Designed for sequential data and time-series forecasting.
- 2. Layers Used:
 - o Two LSTM layers (each with 100 neurons).
 - o Dense layers for output prediction.
- 3. Hyperparameters:
 - o Optimizer: Adam
 - o Loss Function: Mean Squared Error (MSE)
 - Epochs: 100Batch Size: 16

4. Model Training & Evaluation

- 1. Model Training: The LSTM model was trained using model.fit() for 100 epochs.
- 2. Performance Metrics:
 - o Training Loss vs. Validation Loss curve was analyzed.
 - o Actual vs. Predicted values were plotted for comparison.

5. Web Dashboard Deployment

- 1. Flask + Plotly used to create an interactive dashboard.
- 2. Predictions stored in predictions.csv and displayed dynamically.
- 3. Users can view real-time forecasts via a web interface.

3. Proposed Work

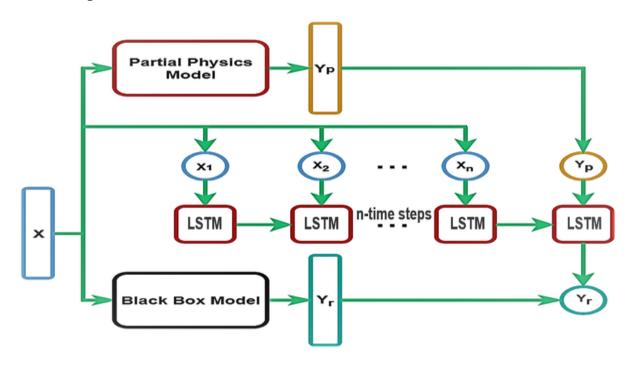


Figure 1 BLOCK DIAGRAM OF EXISTING PROJECTS

Topic of the Work

3.1 Introduction

Water management in rural areas has long faced challenges due to inefficiencies, limited resources, and a lack of data-driven decision-making tools. This project introduces a Predictive Analytics System for Water Demand and Distribution, which leverages historical data, artificial intelligence (AI), and machine learning (ML) to forecast water demand and optimize water distribution. By addressing issues such as unpredictable water consumption patterns and seasonal demand fluctuations, the proposed system ensures equitable and efficient water resource allocation.

The predictive system focuses on analyzing real-time and historical data, including population trends, agricultural usage, and weather conditions. Using advanced machine learning models, the project aims to minimize wastage, reduce shortages, and improve overall water management outcomes for rural regions.

3.2 All About Data

The success of any machine learning model depends on the quality and diversity of data. This section discusses the sources, nature, and preprocessing techniques applied to the data used in the project.

3.2.1 Data Sources The project utilizes a variety of data sources to ensure accurate predictions:

- 1. Historical Water Consumption Data: Data on past water usage patterns for domestic, agricultural, and industrial purposes in rural areas.
- 2. Weather Data: Temperature, humidity, rainfall, and other climatic variables influencing water demand.
- 3. Population and Socio-Economic Data: Population growth, agricultural needs, and socio-economic trends impacting water requirements.
- 4. Seasonal Trends: Analysis of demand variations caused by seasonal changes.
- 5. IoT and Sensor Data: Real-time data collected from water meters and sensors for dynamic adjustments.

3.2.2 Data Preprocessing Data preprocessing is a critical step to prepare raw data for model training and analysis. The following techniques are applied:

- 1. Handling Missing Values: Imputation methods like mean/median replacement for missing records.
- 2. Normalization: Scaling data to ensure uniformity in units and magnitude.
- 3. Outlier Detection and Treatment: Identifying anomalies using statistical methods and ensuring data consistency.
- 4. Feature Engineering: Creating meaningful features such as water demand per capita, seasonal demand ratios, and weather-based indicators.

5. Time Series Formatting: Organizing data into time series format for accurate trend analysis and predictions.

3.3 Mapping to ML/DL

The system maps the problem of water demand forecasting and distribution optimization to machine learning and deep learning techniques.

3.3.1 Type of Machine Learning Problem

The water demand prediction problem is framed as a Supervised Learning Regression Problem. Given historical and real-time data inputs, the model predicts continuous values, such as daily or weekly water demand.

Key characteristics of the problem:

- 1. Input Features: Population size, weather parameters, historical water usage, seasonal trends, and real-time sensor readings.
- 2. Target Variable: Predicted water demand (measured in liters/day or equivalent).

3.3.2 Metrics

To evaluate the performance of the predictive models, the following metrics are used:

For Artificial Neural Networks (ANN):

- 1. Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE): Measures the standard deviation of the residuals (errors) between predicted and actual values. A lower RMSE indicates better model performance.
- 2. Mean Absolute Error (MAE): Computes the average absolute difference between predicted and actual values, providing a direct measure of prediction accuracy.
- 3. R-Squared (R²): Evaluates how well the model explains the variance in the target variable.

For Regression Models:

- 1. Mean Squared Error (MSE): Measures the average squared differences between predicted and actual values, penalizing larger errors more heavily.
- 2. Adjusted R-Squared: Similar to R² but adjusted for the number of predictors in the model, ensuring no overfitting occurs.
- 3. Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE): Provides error as a percentage, useful for understanding relative prediction accuracy.

For Support Vector Regression (SVR):

- 1. Epsilon-Insensitive Loss: Measures how predictions fall within a margin of tolerance (epsilon), ignoring small deviations.
- 2. RMSE: Evaluates prediction accuracy by measuring error magnitude.

3. Correlation Coefficient (r): Assesses the strength and direction of the relationship between predicted and actual values.

These metrics ensure that the system delivers reliable and precise forecasts, which are critical for optimizing water distribution.

3.4 Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Water Consumption Data



Figure 2 Inland Water resources in the country

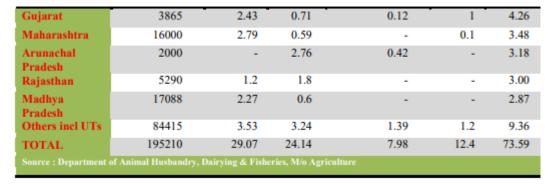


Figure 3 Madhya Pradesh Individual Data



Figure 4 States by total length of rivers and canals

Madhya Pradesh total length of river and canal is 16000 with 2.79 reservoirs 0.59 Tanks, and Pond, 0.1 Brackish Water with total of 8.11.



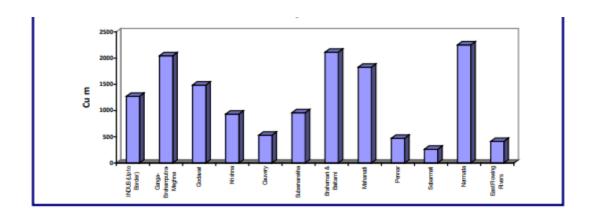


Figure 5 Estimated per capita availability of water in Different River Basins during 2010

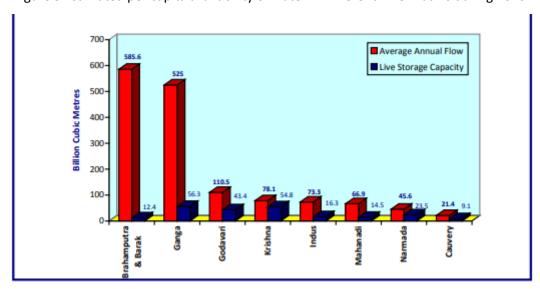


Figure 6 Basin Wise flow and storage potential in India

The States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh together account for about 72 % of total live storage capacity in the country.

| State | Annual Replenishable Ground | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Water Resources | | | |
| | (BCM / Year) | % | | |
| (1) | (2) | | | |
| Andhra Pradesh | 33.83 | 7.8 | | |
| Assam | 30.35 | 7.0 | | |
| Bihar | 28.63 | 6.6 | | |
| Chhattisgarh | 12.22 | 2.8 | | |
| Gujarat | 18.43 | 4.3 | | |
| Karnataka | 16.81 | 3.9 | | |
| Madhya Pradesh | 33.95 | 7.9 | | |
| Maharashtra | 35.73 | 8.3 | | |
| Orissa | 17.78 | 4.1 | | |
| Punjab | 22.56 | 5.2 | | |
| Rajasthan | 11.86 | 2.8 | | |
| Tamil Nadu | 22.94 | 5.3 | | |
| Uttar Pradesh | 75.25 | 17.5 | | |
| West Bengal | 30.50 | 7.1 | | |
| Others | 40.19 | 9.3 | | |
| Total | 431.02 | 100.0 | | |
| Sources : Central Ground Water Board, Min. of Water Resources | | | | |

Figure 7 Annual Replenishable Ground Water Resources

It shows 14 States comprise 91% of ground water potential. Among the States, in terms of share of replenishable ground water resources Madhya Pradesh (7.9%).

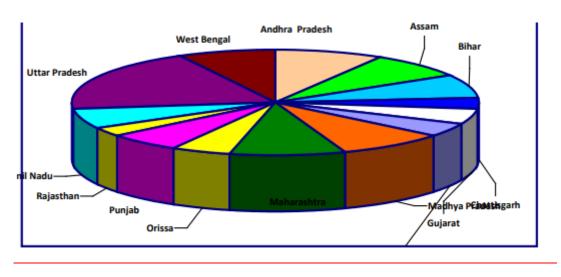


Figure 8 Annual Replenishable Ground Water Resources

Orange Denotes For Annual Replenishable Ground Water Resources of Madhya Pradesh

| State/UT | Completed | Under Construction | Total | State/UT | Comple ted | Under Construction | Total |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------|
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | | | | |
| A&N Islands | 2 | 0 | 2 | Maharashtra | 1693 | 152 | 1845 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 290 | 44 | 334 | Manipur | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Arunachal Pr. | 1 | 0 | 1 | Meghalaya | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Assam | 3 | 2 | 5 | Mizoram | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bihar | 24 | 4 | 28 | Nagaland | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 243 | 14 | 257 | Orissa | 198 | 6 | 204 |
| Goa | 5 | 0 | 5 | Punjab | 14 | 1 | 15 |
| Gujarat | 621 | 45 | 666 | Rajasthan | 201 | 10 | 211 |
| Haryana | 1 | 0 | 1 | Sikkim | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Himachal Pr. | 13 | 6 | 19 | Tamil Nadu | 116 | 0 | 116 |
| 1& K | 12 | 2 | 14 | Tripura | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Jharkhand | 49 | 28 | 77 | Uttar Pradesh | 114 | 16 | 130 |
| Karnataka | 230 | 1 | 231 | Uttarakhand | 13 | 6 | 19 |
| Kerala | 58 | 1 | 59 | West Bengal | 28 | 0 | 28 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 899 | 7 | 906 | | | | |
| | | | | Total | 4839 | 348 | 5187 |

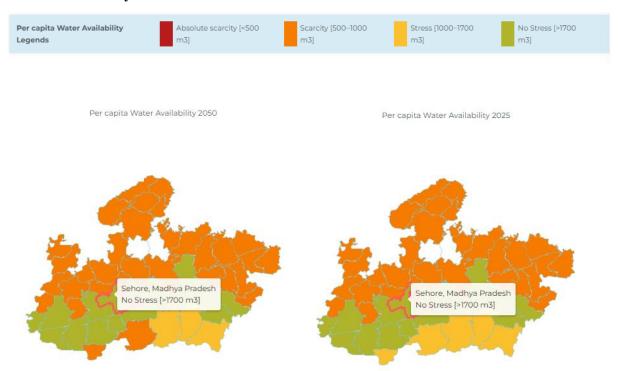
Figure 9 Number of Dams By state

The maximum number of dams completed in the country in Madhya Pradesh are 899 finished with 7 Under Construction.

| Sl.No. | Name of State | TOTAL LIVE STORAGE CAPACITY (BCM) | | | |
|--------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|--|
| | | Completed Projects | Under Construction Projects | Total | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| 1 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 28.716 | 7.062 | 35.778 | |
| 2 | ASSAM | 0.012 | 0.547 | 0.559 | |
| 3 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 0.000 | 0.241 | 0.241 | |
| 4 | BIHAR | 2.613 | 0.436 | 3.049 | |
| 5 | CHHATTISGARH | 6.736 | 0.877 | 7.613 | |
| 6 | GOA | 0.290 | 0.000 | 0.290 | |
| 7 | GUJARAT | 18.359 | 8.175 | 26.534 | |
| 8 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | 13.792 | 0.100 | 13.891 | |
| 9 | JAMMU AND KASHMIR | 0.029 | .000 | 0.029 | |
| 10 | JHARKHAND | 2.436 | 6.039 | 8.475 | |
| 11 | KARNATAKA | 31.896 | 0.736 | 32.632 | |
| 12 | KERALA | 9.768 | 1.264 | 11.032 | |
| 13 | MADHYA PRADESH | 33.075 | 1.695 | 34.770 | |
| 14 | MAHARASHTRA | 37.358 | 10.736 | 48.094 | |
| 15 | MANIPUR | 0.407 | 8.509 | 8.916 | |
| 16 | MEGHALAYA | 0.479 | 0.007 | 0.486 | |
| 17 | MIZORAM | 0.000 | 0.663 | 0.663 | |

Figure 10 Total Live Storage Capacity

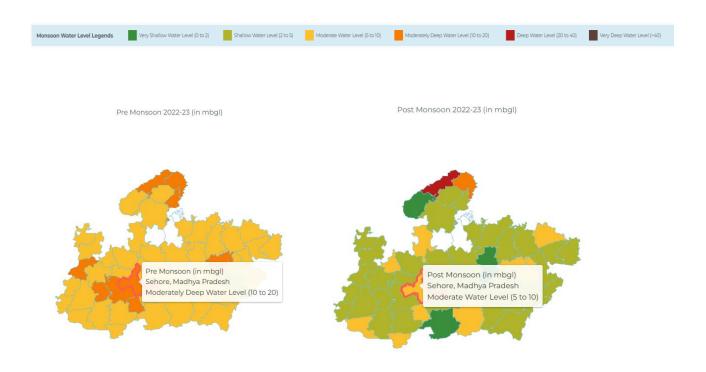
Water Availability



Per Capita Water availability for Sehore, Madhya Pradesh in the Year 2050 lies Under Stress category of 1000-1700m3

Per Capita Water availability for Sehore, Madhya Pradesh in the Year 2025 lies Under Stress category of 1000-1700m3

Pre and Post Monsoon Water Levels



Pre-Monsoon Water availability for Sehore, Madhya Pradesh in the Year 2022-23 lies Under Moderately Deep Water level (10 to 20)

Post Monsoon Water availability for Sehore, Madhya Pradesh in the Year 2022-23 lies Under Moderate Deep-Water level (5 to 10)

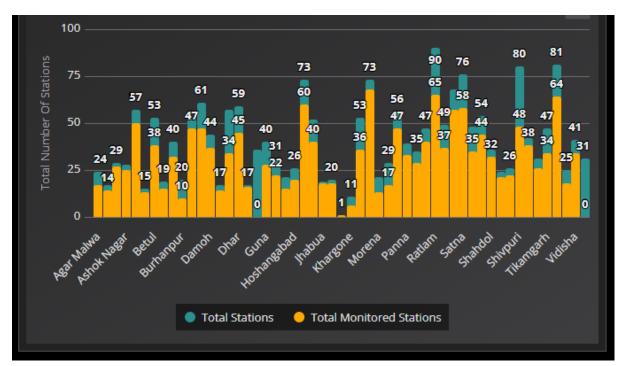


Figure 11 District Wise Station Count in Sehore, Madhya Pradesh

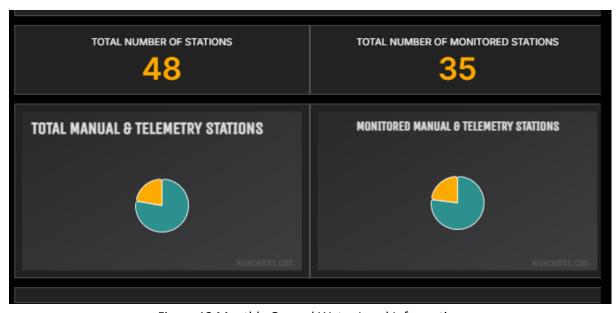


Figure 12 Monthly Ground Water Level Information

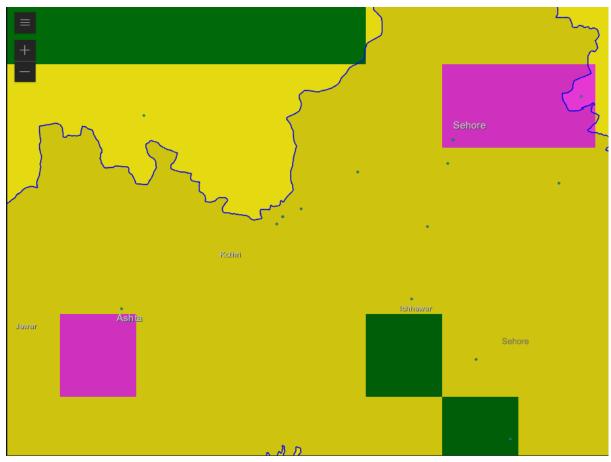


Figure 13 Ground Water Level in MP

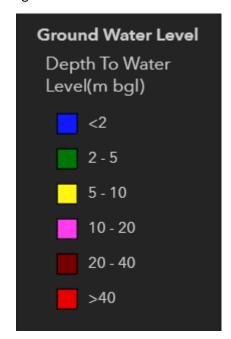




Figure 14 Reservoir Fill Percentage in Sehore, Madhya Pradesh lie Between 50-70%



4. Conclusion & Future Work

4.1 Conclusion

- 1. The LSTM-based forecasting model effectively predicts water demand, allowing for optimized resource distribution.
- 2. The Flask dashboard enables real-time visualization, making predictions accessible to decision-makers.

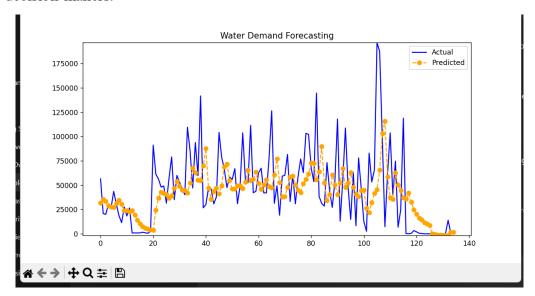


Figure 15 Water Demanding Forecasting

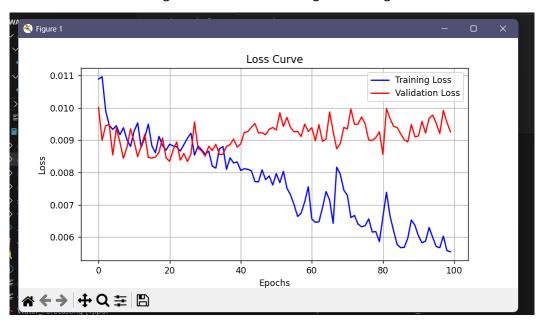


Figure 16 Loss Curve

4.2 Future Improvements

- 1. Enhance dataset: Include temperature, humidity, and population growth for more accurate predictions.
- 2. Optimize hyperparameters for improved model performance.
- 3. Deploy on a cloud platform like AWS/GCP for large-scale real-time forecasting.
- 4. Compare with other models like GRU, Transformer networks, or hybrid approaches.

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