

Optimizing the water allocation jointly for Jayakwadi Dam (Nath Sagar Reservoir) and Dudhana Dam to maximize the revenue generated.

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Introduction

The Jayakwadi Dam is an earthen dam constructed on the Godavari River near Jayakwadi village in Paithan taluka, located in the Aurangabad district of Maharashtra, India. The dam forms the Nath Sagar Reservoir, which is one of the largest multipurpose water projects in the state. The primary objective of this project is to provide water for irrigation in the drought-prone Marathwada region. Additionally, the reservoir supplies water for industrial purposes and helps fulfill the domestic water needs of the surrounding population.

The Dudhana Dam, located in Aurangabad district, is built on the Dudhana River, a tributary of the Godavari. Though smaller in scale, it plays a crucial role in supporting local water demands, especially for domestic and agricultural purposes.

In this analysis, we address the joint water allocation problem involving both Nath Sagar and Dudhana reservoirs. These reservoirs cater to multiple sectors in Aurangabad and Ahmednagar districts, including irrigation, drinking water supply, and industrial use.

Our primary goal is to develop an optimal water allocation strategy that maximizes the economic returns from these limited water resources. Given that Aurangabad lies within the Nath Sagar catchment and Ahmednagar is in close proximity to the Dudhana Dam, both districts are included in the study. By considering historic data, evaporation losses, and sector-wise revenue generation, we aim to formulate a robust allocation model that reflects the socio-economic priorities of the region.

For our analysis we have used the **Purpose Driven Study (PDS)** conducted by the **Hydrology Project Division, Aurangabad Water Resources Department, Government of Maharashtra** in June 2010.



Figure 1: Map showing region of Interest

Source: Water Resources Department, Government of Maharashtra

Methodology

To estimate the maximum amount of water that can be supplied by the reservoirs, we have used the 50% dependable yield of the Nath Sagar Reservoir (Jayakwadi Dam) instead of its maximum storage capacity of 2909 million cubic meters (Mm^3). The yield of a reservoir is defined as the maximum volume of water that can be safely released over a specific period (typically one year) without lowering the reservoir below critical levels. It is determined based on several factors including inflow (from rainfall and upstream contributions), reservoir capacity, seepage losses, operational constraints, and historical inflow records.

The 50% dependable yield refers to the amount of water that is equaled or exceeded in 50% of the years in the historical data—effectively serving as a median yield i.e., there is 50% probability that reservoir has water more than the given quantity. For the Jayakwadi Dam, this value is 2105 Mm^3 . A similar approach is applied to the Dudhaha Dam, where the live yield is considered to be 242 Mm^3 .

We could have also used the average yield over the years, which was 2456 Mm^3 , but since the median is less than the mean, it shows that the region has a higher probability of receiving less than average rainfall.

In the dataset we used, government authorities have treated 2170 Mm^3 as the planned or design yield for Jayakwadi, rather than its full storage capacity. Therefore, for planning, we consider 2170 Mm^3 as the effective usable volume. The same principle applies to the Dudhaha Dam.

For simplicity of the project we have considered three uses of the reservoir waters—(1) Irrigation (2) Industrial (3) Domestic. The water is supplied to them by both Jayakwadi Dam and Dudhaha Dam and so we are jointly optimizing the water allocation for maximum profit.

Network Diagram: Network diagram is as follows:

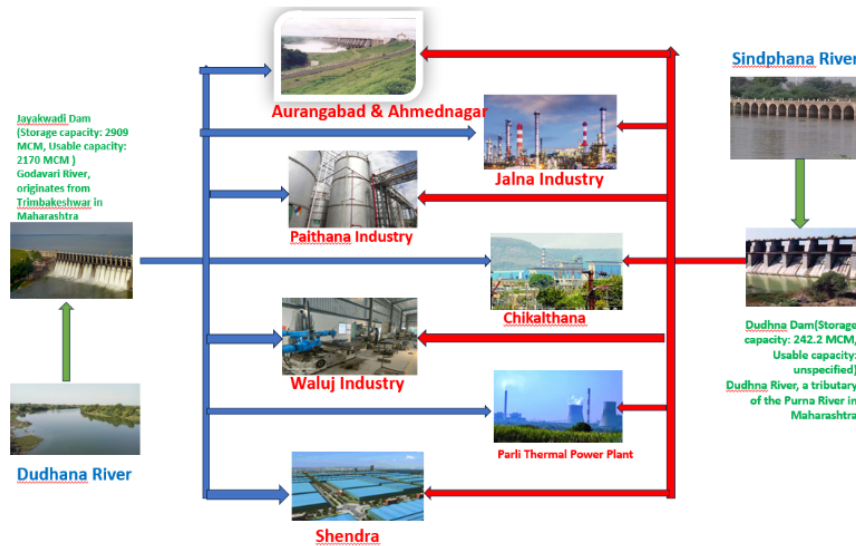


Figure 2: The network Diagram.

Objective

To maximize total revenue generated by all sources.

Variables (in Mm^3)

- x_1 : Water supplied by Jayakwadi dam for irrigation
- x_2 : Water supplied by Jayakwadi dam for industry
- x_3 : Water supplied by Jayakwadi dam for domestic use
- y_1 : Water supplied by Dudhna dam for irrigation
- y_2 : Water supplied by Dudhna dam for industry
- y_3 : Water supplied by Dudhna dam for domestic use

Revenue Tables

Table 1: Break up for Revenue Generation for Irrigation

| Year | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Water Used (Mm^3) | 1166.65 | 1148.98 | 1350.04 | 333.61 |
| Gross Revenue (lakhs) | 645.31 | 1678.4 | 3411.76 | 1281 |
| Revenue per Mm^3 | 0.55 | 1.46 | 2.52 | 3.85 |

- Average = $(0.55 + 1.46 + 2.52 + 3.85) / 4 = 2.905$ lakhs/ Mm^3

Table 2: Break up for Revenue Generation for Industrial purposes

| Year | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Water Used (Mm^3) | 97.357 | 201.456 | 208.786 | 125.404 |
| Gross Revenue (lakhs) | 5089.2 | 8757.86 | 5010.87 | 6898.22 |
| Revenue per Mm^3 | 52.46 | 43.47 | 24.08 | 55 |

- Average = $(52.46 + 43.47 + 24.08 + 55) / 4 = 43.75$ lakhs/ Mm^3

Calculation for Revenue Generated by Municipal Corporation for Fulfilling Water Demand

Population Statistics (According to 2011 Census)

- Population of Aurangabad: 1,175,116 \approx 1.2 million
- Population of Ahmednagar: 4,543,159 \approx 4.5 million

Municipal Water Charges

According to data obtained from the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board:

- Maximum municipal water charges for domestic purposes = 3 paise per kiloliter
- = 0.3 lakhs per Mm^3

Annual Water Demand in the Region of Interest

Population Distribution:

- Aurangabad: Predominantly urban population
- Ahmednagar: 80% rural, 20% urban

Daily Water Demand per Individual:

- Rural Area:

$$30 \text{ (bathing)} + 5 \text{ (drinking)} + 35 \text{ (cooking, laundry, miscellaneous)} = \mathbf{70 \text{ liters}}$$

- Urban Area:

$$\text{Similar to rural (70 liters)} + 30 \text{ (gardening, extra clothing, etc)} = \mathbf{100 \text{ liters}}$$

Total Daily Water Demand in Region of Interest:

$$\begin{aligned} & (1.2 \times 10^6 \times 100) + (0.8 \times 4.5 \times 10^6 \times 70) + (0.2 \times 4.5 \times 10^6 \times 100) \\ & = 120 \times 10^6 + 252 \times 10^6 + 90 \times 10^6 = \mathbf{462 \text{ million liters} = 0.462 \text{ Mm}^3} \end{aligned}$$

Effective Demand Met by Reservoirs

Since there are alternative water sources (e.g., groundwater, rainwater) and infrastructural constraints (e.g., lack of canals or pipelines), we assume:

- **Reservoirs satisfy only 40% of annual water needs.**

$$\text{Annual water demand met by reservoirs} = 0.4 \times 0.462 \text{ Mm}^3 \times 365 = \mathbf{67.45 \text{ Mm}^3}$$

Note

This is the **minimum requirement** by the population of the region. It is reasonable to assume that **human consumption increases with availability**, and any surplus water provided will likely be consumed without restraint.

Objective Function

Maximise $Z = \sum P_i \cdot x_i$, where

P_i = per unit profitability of operation i , and

x_i = amount of water allocated to operation i .

In our context,

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 2.905(x_1 + y_1) + 43.75(x_2 + y_2) + 0.3(x_3 + y_3)$$

This objective function determines the total revenue generated via different sectors, which include:

- Irrigation
- Industries
- Domestic use

From the above analysis, the average revenue or cost per Mm^3 of water used is as follows:

- **Irrigation** – 2.905 lakhs per Mm^3
- **Industries** – 43.75 lakhs per Mm^3
- **Domestic Use** – 0.3 lakhs per Mm^3

From analysing the historical data (1975-2009) given PDS report of Govt. of Maharashtra, we had excluded the data of 1975-76 as it was the very first year after construction of the dam and its data seemed outlier.

Constraints (in Mm^3)

| | |
|--|---|
| $206.032 \leq x_1 + y_1 \leq 1616.620$ | (water allocated for irrigation) |
| $19.331 \leq x_2 + y_2 \leq 208.786$ | (water allocated for industrial purposes) |
| $x_3 + y_3 \geq 67.45$ | (water allocated for domestic use) |
| $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 1724.74$ | (water allocated from Jayakwadi Dam) |
| $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 \leq 193.6$ | (water allocated from Dudhana Dam) |

How Constraints Were Derived

- Table 10.1 of document released by Water Resource Department of Maharashtra Govt. has data of Irrigation and Non - Irrigation consumption of water from 1975 to 2009. We can see from this table that the minimum requirement of water for irrigational use was in year 1987-88 which is $206.032 \text{ } Mm^3$ and maximum requirement of water for irrigational use was in year 1991-92 which is $1616.620 \text{ } Mm^3$.
- Similarly we can see that for Industrial purpose minimum yield of water was 19.331 and maximum yield was 208.786..
- For domestic use the calculations is already shown above.
- Now the Live storage of Jayakwadi dam with 50 percentile value is $2105 \text{ } Mm^3$. From the same document we get to know that when the water stored is nearly 100storage which is $2170Mm^3$, evaporation loss was $392Mm^3$. So for $2105 \text{ } Mm^3$ of filled reservoir, the water evaporated is linearly interpolated and found to be:- $392/2170 * 2105 \text{ } Mm^3 = 380.26Mm^3$ So maximum water supplied from Jayakwadi dam = $2105 - 380.26 = 1724.74Mm^3$
- Similarly for Dudhana Dam the live storage capacity is $242 \text{ } Mm^3$. Approximately 20is evaporated. So the maximum water supply from Dudhana Dam = $242 - 0.2 * 242 = 193.6Mm^3$

Thus we found out a total of 5 constraints.

$N = \text{Total no. of variables} = 6$

$m = \text{Total no.of constraints} = 5$

Data Sources

Purpose Driven Study (PDS) conducted by Hydrology Project Division, Aurangabad Water Resources Department, Government of Maharashtra in June 2010.

Available at: <https://www.slideshare.net/slideshow/mh-sw-effect-of-changing-water-allocation-in-nathsagar-project-jayakawadi-dam-paithon-district-aurangabad/34371373>

Table 10.1
IRRIGATION & NON-IRRIGATION USE

| Year | Actual Live Storage | Total withdrawal from reservoir Mm3 | Irrigation use | % w.r.t. Live storage | Non-irrigation use (Industry + domestic) | N.I Use % compared to withdrawal from Storage | N.I Use % compared to Design Live Storage (2170.935 Mm3) |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| 1975-76 | 135.250 | 171.03 | 167.261 | 97.8 | 3.769 | 2.2 | 0.17 |
| 1976-77 | 1162.350 | 252.601 | 249.108 | 98.6 | 3.493 | 1.4 | 0.16 |
| 1977-78 | 939.170 | 199.35 | 195.863 | 98.3 | 3.487 | 1.7 | 0.16 |
| 1979-80 | 695.800 | 541.311 | 536.009 | 99 | 5.302 | 1 | 0.24 |
| 1980-81 | 1468.250 | 724.801 | 718.245 | 99.1 | 6.556 | 0.9 | 0.30 |
| 1981-82 | 602.000 | 920.737 | 910.478 | 98.9 | 10.259 | 1.1 | 0.47 |
| 1982-83 | 1600.020 | 1123.986 | 1110.372 | 98.8 | 13.614 | 1.2 | 0.63 |
| 1983-84 | 1210.550 | 951.749 | 938.365 | 98.6 | 13.384 | 1.4 | 0.62 |
| 1984-85 | 2037.910 | 1124.718 | 1108.313 | 98.5 | 16.405 | 1.5 | 0.76 |
| 1985-86 | 1751.340 | 710.818 | 690.279 | 97.1 | 20.539 | 2.9 | 0.95 |
| 1986-87 | 663.240 | 231.852 | 209.281 | 90.3 | 22.571 | 9.7 | 1.04 |
| 1987-88 | 304.600 | 225.363 | 206.032 | 91.4 | 19.331 | 8.6 | 0.89 |
| 1988-89 | 475.230 | 1240.405 | 1219.024 | 98.3 | 21.381 | 1.7 | 0.98 |
| 1989-90 | 2041.610 | 1384.537 | 1364.608 | 98.6 | 19.929 | 1.4 | 0.92 |
| 1990-91 | 1976.040 | 1321.139 | 1290.322 | 97.7 | 30.817 | 2.3 | 1.42 |
| 1991-92 | 2171.000 | 1654.772 | 1616.62 | 97.7 | 38.152 | 2.3 | 1.76 |
| 1992-93 | 1678.620 | 401.028 | 342.07 | 85.3 | 58.958 | 14.7 | 2.72 |
| 1993-94 | 690.340 | 780.521 | 732.295 | 93.8 | 48.226 | 6.2 | 2.22 |
| 1994-95 | 763.100 | 1684.28 | 1632.05 | 96.9 | 52.23 | 3.1 | 2.41 |
| 1995-96 | 1913.950 | 254.077 | 180.75 | 71.1 | 73.327 | 28.9 | 3.38 |
| 1996-97 | 306.110 | 434.654 | 379.805 | 87.4 | 54.849 | 12.6 | 2.53 |
| 1997-98 | 770.453 | 775.397 | 702.832 | 90.6 | 72.565 | 9.4 | 3.34 |
| 1998-99 | 1068.789 | 914.28 | 844.024 | 92.3 | 70.256 | 7.7 | 3.24 |
| 1999-00 | 2126.758 | 1140.439 | 1071.96 | 94 | 68.479 | 6 | 3.15 |
| 2000-01 | 2167.353 | 951.963 | 879.951 | 92.4 | 72.012 | 7.6 | 3.32 |
| 2001-02 | 1281.731 | 349.387 | 269.809 | 77.2 | 79.578 | 22.8 | 3.67 |
| 2000-03 | 494.169 | 244.364 | 137.674 | 56.3 | 106.69 | 43.7 | 4.91 |
| 2003-04 | 404.373 | 291.307 | 137.213 | 47.1 | 154.094 | 52.9 | 7.10 |
| 2004-05 | 392.687 | 1101.042 | 923.518 | 83.9 | 177.524 | 16.1 | 8.18 |
| 2005-06 | 2129.141 | 1374.937 | 1232.268 | 89.6 | 142.669 | 10.4 | 6.57 |
| 2006-07 | 2170.935 | 1757 | 1166.65 | 66.36 | 97.357 | 5.5 | 4.48 |
| 2007-08 | 2170.935 | 1872.912 | 1148.98 | 61.37 | 201.456 | 10.73 | 9.28 |
| 2008-09 | 2170.935 | 2069.45 | 1350.044 | 65.24 | 208.786 | 10.08 | 9.62 |

Figure 3: Table 10.1 from the report showing yearwise irrigation and non-irrigation use

Table 7.1
Actual Evaporation Losses (Mm³)
(Under nearly full storage condition)

| Year | % Live Storage | Evaporation losses (Mm ³) | | | |
|-----------|----------------|---------------------------------------|------|---------|-------|
| | | Kharif | Rabi | H.W. | Total |
| 1983-84 | 94 | 63 | 129 | 319 | 511 |
| 1988-89 | 94 | 35 | 138 | 206 | 379 |
| 1989-90 | 91 | 90 | 124 | 180 | 394 |
| 1990-91 | 100 | 85 | 130 | 238 | 453 |
| 1998-99 | 98 | 58 | 96 | 229 | 383 |
| 1999-2000 | 100 | 99 | 109 | 206 | 414 |
| 2005-06 | 100 | - | - | - | 337 |
| 2006-07 | 100 | - | - | - | 343 |
| 2007-08 | 100 | - | - | - | 313 |
| | | | | Average | 392 |

Figure 4: table 7.1 from PDS report showing Evaporation losses when reservoir was nearly full.

Results and Discussion

Table 3: Optimised value of variables obtained.

| Variable | Value(in Mm^3) |
|----------|-------------------|
| x_1 | 1616.62 |
| x_2 | 15.186 |
| x_3 | 92.934 |
| y_1 | 0 |
| y_2 | 193.6 |
| y_3 | 0 |

- Table 3 clearly shows that profitability in the industrial sector dominates other sectors.
- The water supply for domestic uses (92.934 Mm³) is more than the required level (67.45 Mm³), which indicates a potential wastage of water.
- The land and industries are underutilised.

Revenue Generated = Rs. 13858.55 Lakhs

In Figure 4 shown below, the constraints with slack/surplus value = 0 are the binding constraints. The graph of constraints is plotted in Desmos. We can see the valid regions over here.

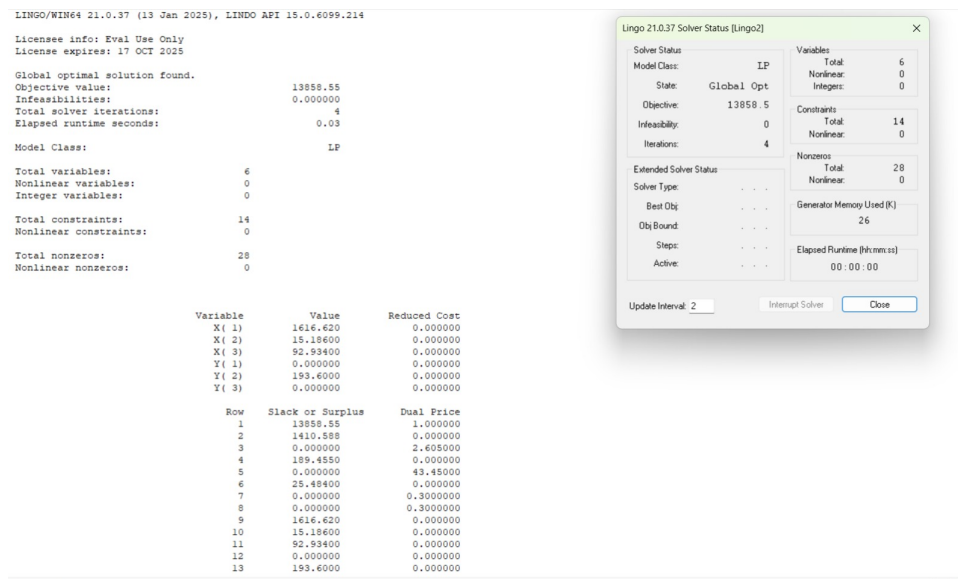


Figure 4: Result as obtained in LINGO..

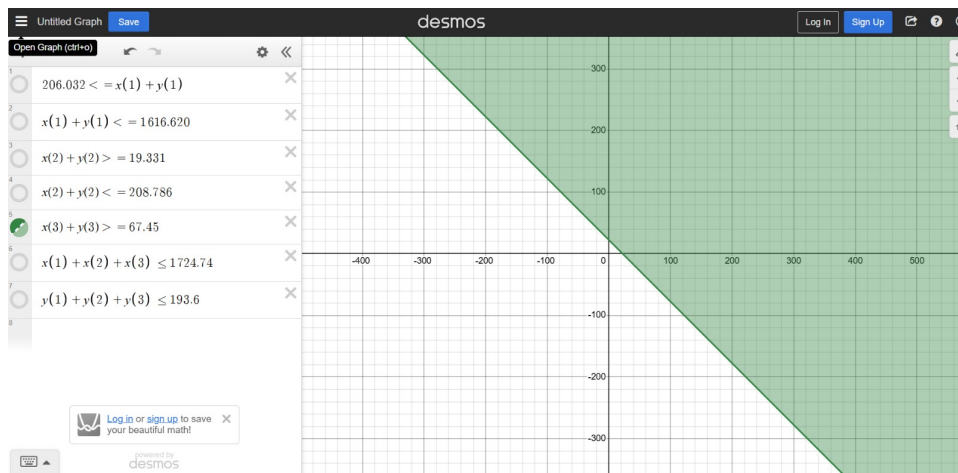


Figure 5: Here we are plotting the first constraint and observing the valid region

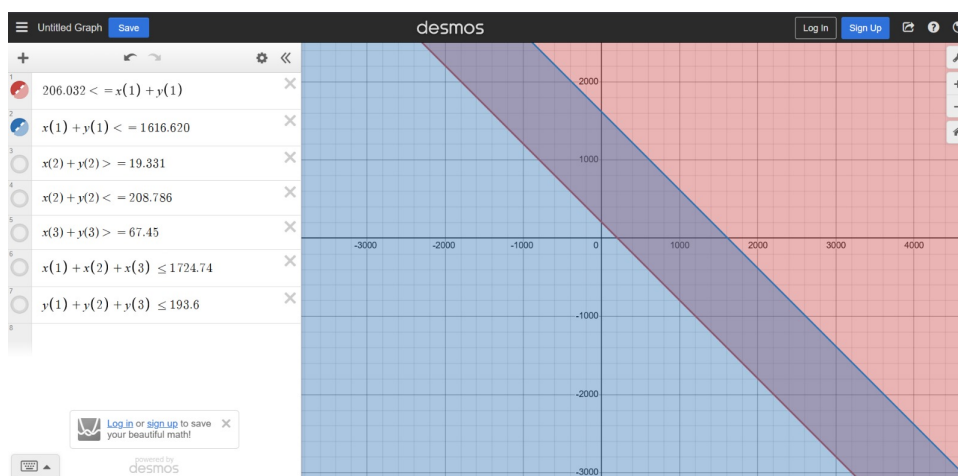


Figure 6: Here we are plotting the second constraint and observing the valid region

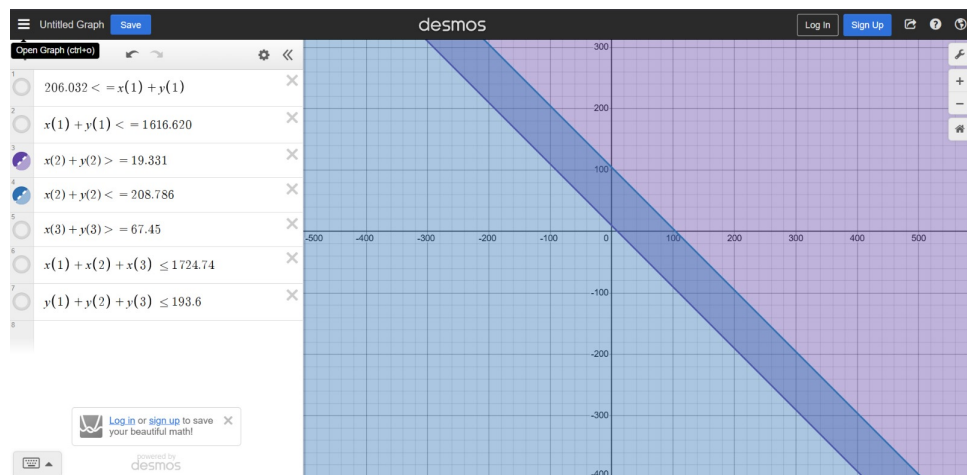


Figure 7: Here we are plotting the third constraint and observing the valid region

Conclusions

- After analyzing the report, we observed that industrial activities hold significant potential for contributing to the region's economic growth. However, as referenced in the section 10.5 of the PDS report and based on discussions with officials from the Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC), water availability is currently not a limiting factor for industrial development. This suggests that the region's challenge lies not in water supply, but in the lack of adequate infrastructure to fully capitalize on industrial opportunities.
- (The following finding is obtained from analysis of PDS report) Furthermore, as highlighted in Section 7.2.1 of the PDS report, the planned irrigation efficiency was estimated at 49% the actual efficiency achieved was only 21% and inefficient irrigation practices currently in use.
- To enhance regional revenue, the government should prioritize the development of industrial infrastructure while simultaneously promoting sustainable irrigation methods such as drip irrigation and sprinkler systems, which can improve water use efficiency in agriculture.
- Regarding domestic water usage, no specific recommendations can be made to reduce demand, as minimum domestic consumption is non-negotiable. However, steps can be taken to reduce the burden on reservoir storage by encouraging rainwater harvesting and local water recharge initiatives across the region.

LINGO Code

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! MODEL TITLE: Optimizing Water Distribution from Jayakwadi and
  Dudhana Dams jointly;
model:

sets:
S /1..3/: x, y;
endsets

! Sectors: 1 = Irrigation, 2 = Industry, 3 = Domestic;
! Dams: x = Jayakwadi, y = Dudhana;

! Objective Function;
MAX = 2.905*(x(1)+y(1)) + 43.75*(x(2)+y(2)) + 0.3*(x(3)+y(3));

! Constraints;
x(1) + y(1) >= 206.032;
x(1) + y(1) <= 1616.620;

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x(2) + y(2) <= 208.786;

x(3) + y(3) >= 67.45;

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@sum(S(i): y(i)) <= 193.6;

! Non-negativity;
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end
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