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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The vagaries of rainfall, inherent heterogeneity & unsustainable nature of hard rock aquifers, over exploitation of once copious aquifers, lack of regulation mechanism etc has a detrimental effect on ground water scenario of the Country in last decade or so. Thus, prompting the paradigm shift from **"Traditional Groundwater Development concept**" to **"Modern Groundwater Management concept**". Varied and diverse hydrogeological settings demand precise and comprehensive mapping of aquifers down to the optimum possible depth at appropriate scale to arrive at the robust and implementable ground water management plans. This leads to concept of Aquifer Mapping and Ground Water Management Plan. Aquifer mapping is a process wherein a combination of geologic, geophysical, hydrologic and chemical analyses is applied to characterize the quantity, quality and sustainability of ground water in aquifers. The proposed management plans will provide the **"Road Map"** for ensuring sustainable management and equitable distribution of ground water resources, thereby primarily improving drinking water security and irrigation coverage. Thus the crux of NAQUIM is not merely mapping, but reaching the goal-that of ground water management through community participation.

During XII five year plan (2012-17) National Aquifer Mapping (NAQUIM) study was initiated by CGWB to carry out detailed hydrogeological investigation. The Aquifer Mapping programme has been continued till 2023 to cover whole country. The present study of Rania and Arki blocks of Khunti district has been taken up in AAP 2021-22 as a part of NAQUIM Programme. The aquifer maps and management plans will be shared with the administration of Khunti district and other user agencies for its effective implementation.

1.1 Objective and Scope of the study:

The major objectives of aquifer mapping are

- Delineation of lateral and vertical disposition of aquifers and their characterization
- Quantification of ground water availability and assessment of its quality to formulate aquifer management plans to facilitate sustainable management of ground water resources at appropriate scales through participatory management approach with active involvement of stakeholders.

The groundwater management plan includes Ground Water recharge, conservation, harvesting, development options and other protocols of managing groundwater. These protocols will be the real derivatives of the aquifer mapping exercise and will find a place in the output i.e, the aquifer map and management plan.

The main activities under NAQUIM are as follows:

- a). Identifying the aquifer geometry
- b). Aquifer characteristics and their yield potential
- c). Quality of water occurring at various depths
- d). Aquifer wise assessment of ground water resources
- e). Preparation of aquifer maps and
- f). Formulate ground water management plan.

The demarcation of aquifers and their potential will help the agencies involved in water supply in ascertaining, how much volume of water is under their control. The robust and implementable ground water management plan will provide a **"Road Map"** to systematically manage the ground water resources for equitable distribution across the spectrum.

1.2. Approach and methodology:

The ongoing activities of NAQUIM include hydrogeological data acquisition supported by geophysical and hydro-chemical investigations supplemented with ground water exploration down to the depths of 200 meters.

Considering the objectives of the NAQUIM, the data on various components was segregated, collected and brought on GIS platform by geo-referencing the available information for its utilization for preparation of various thematic maps. The approach and methodology followed for Aquifer mapping is as given below:



1.3 Area details: On September 12, 2007, Khunti District was carved out of Ranchi District as the 23rd district of Jharkhand. Earlier it was a Sub-division of Ranchi District. Khunti district spreading over an area of 2611 sq.km with it does headquarter at Khunti. The district is divided into 6 blocks namely i) Karra ii) Khunti iii) Arki iv) Torpa v) Murhu and vi) Rania.(Fig-1) The district is bounded in the north by Ranchi, in the south by West Singhbhum and Simdega districts and east by Saraikela-Kharsawan, and part of Ranchi district, in the west by part of Gumla and Simdega districts.

The Rania block is located in southern- west part while the Arki block is located in eastern part of the Khunti district. The total geographical area of the Rania block is 267.43 Sq. km. and Arki block is 515.00 Sq.km. The location map along with post monsoon (Nov. 2021) depth to water level map of the Rania and Arki blocks is shown in figure -1.

1.4 Data Availability, Data Adequacy and Data Gap Analysis

1.4.1. Data availability: Central Ground Water Board has carried out exploratory drilling in the Rania block and drilled one exploratory and one observation wells while one exploratory wells has been drilled in Arki block through outsourcing drilling activity during the year 2020-2021. At least three exploratory and one observation wells are to be drilled in each block to know the sub – surface geology, depth and thickness of water bearing formation with their yield and determine the different aquifer parameters.

1.4.2 Data Adequacy and Data Gap Analysis: The available data of the Exploratory wells drilled by Central Ground Water Board, State Unit Office, Ranchi, Geophysical Survey carried out in the area, ground water monitoring stations and ground water quality stations monitored by Central Ground Water Board were compiled and analyzed for adequacy of the same for the aquifer mapping studies. The summarized details of required, existing and data gap of exploratory wells, a ground water monitoring and ground water quality station is given below in table-1 & 2.

Exploration data		oloration data Geophysical data			GW monitoring data (HNS)			GW quality data			
Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap
3	1	2	5	0	5	3	0	3	3	3	0

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Exploration data			Geophysical data			GW monitoring data (HNS)			GW quality data		
Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap	Req.	Exist.	Gap
3	1	2	5	0	5	3	1	2	3	1	2

The data adequacy as discussed above indicates that the existing data is not sufficient for preparation of aquifer maps; hence data gap has been identified for Exploratory Wells, Geophysical Survey (VES), Ground Water Monitoring Wells and Ground Water Quality. However, based on available existing data block wise aquifer maps and management plan of Rania and Arki blocks of Khunti district is being prepared.



Fig-1

2.0 BLOCK WISE AQUIFER MAPS AND GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS,

2.1 AQUIFER MAPS AND GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS, RANIA BLOCK, KHUNTI DISTRICT, JHARKHAND



Only one exploratory well and one observation well located in the block.						
3. GROUND WATER RESOURCE, EXTRACTION, CONTAMINATION AND OTHER ISSUES						
3.1 Aquifer wise resource availability and extraction						
Phreatic Aquifer (Aquifer - I)						
Ground water resource estimation (As on 31 st March 2020)						
Annual extractable ground water for recharge (MCM)	17.85					
Current annual ground water extraction for irrigation (MCM) 5.36						
Current annual ground water extraction for domestic (MCM) 0.52						
Current annual ground water extraction for industrial (MCM) 0						
Current annual ground water extraction for all uses (MCM) 5.88						
Net ground water availability for future use (MCM) 11.96						
Stage of ground water extraction (%) 32.95						
Category Safe						
3.2 Chemical quality of ground water and contamination						

3.2.1 Variation in Major and Minor elements

Phreatic Aquifer (Aquifer - I)

The EC value of the phreatic aquifer varies from 114 to 248 μ S/cm. TDS has been observed between 74.10 to 161 mg/l. Total hardness value ranges from 45 to 85 mg/l. Similarly, the Chloride value observed between 14.20 to 24.85 mg/l while the Sulphate value varies from 3.40 to 5.00 mg/l. Nitrate value ranges from 3.75 to 13.83 mg/l. Fluoride value found between 0.40 to 0.58 mg/l. Overall ground water quality of shallow aquifer (Aquifer – I) is suitable for domestic purpose.

Semi - confined/ confined Aquifer (Aquifer - II)

The EC value of the deeper aquifer varies from 68 to 396 μ S/cm. TDS has been observed between 44.20 to 257 mg/l. Total hardness value ranges from 15 to 135 mg/l. Similarly, the Chloride value observed between 7.10 to 39.05 mg/l while the Sulphate value varies from 0.30 to 18.00 mg/l. Nitrate values observed between 3.20 to 12.76 mg/l. Fluoride value varies from 0.68 to 0.82 mg/l. In general, ground water quality of deeper aquifer (Aquifer – II) is suitable for domestic purpose.

3.2.2 Suitability for irrigation

Phreatic Aquifer (Aquifer - I)	Semi – confined/ confined Aquifer (Aquifer –				
	II)				
Sodium percentage of ground water of	Sodium percentage of ground water of				
shallow aquifer (Aquifer –I) varies from	deeper aquifer (Aquifer –II) varies from 31.77				
20.59 to 47.81 while RSC value observed	to 50.76 while RSC value observed between				
between -0.10 to 0.30. SAR value ranges	0.00 to -0.50. SAR value ranges from 0.71 to				
from 0.30 to 1.03 and falling in excellent	1.06 and falling in excellent water class. The				
water class. The ground water of shallow	ground water of deeper aquifer (Aquifer – II)				
aquifer (Aquifer – I) is suitable for irrigation.	is suitable for irrigation				

3.3 Other issues

3.3.1 Ground water exploration: Only one exploratory well and one observation well located in the block. At least two more exploratory wells may be drilled in the block. Similarly, minimum one hydograph net work station should be established in the block.

4.0 SUPPLY SIDE MANAGEMENT

4.1 Ground Water Development Strategies-Construction of Tube well/Bore well based on available safe resources: As per Dynamic Ground Water Resource estimation 2020, the stage of ground water development is only 32.95%. To enhance the ground water development construction of 664 dug wells (10 -20 m depth; 2 to 4 m diameter) and 221 bore wells (up to 100 m depth) are recommended for creating additional irrigation potential

4.2 Proposed number of artificial	The average post monsoon depth to water leve	el.
recharge structures	observed less than 3 m (2.00 mbgl). Hence, artificia	il
	recharge structures not proposed.	

5.0 Demand side management

- Promoting Micro irrigation Technique (drip or sprinkler irrigation, etc.),
- Crop choice management and diversification(Promoting less intensive crops)

2.2 AQUIFER MAPS AND GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS, ARKI BLOCK, KHUNTI DISTRICT, JHARKHAND



Hydrographs located at Serenghatu	ı showing	Hydrographs located at Serenghatu showing			
Pre- monsoon rising water level tre	nd @	post- monsoon rising water level trend @			
0.017020 m/year.		0.004827 m/year.			
2.0 AQUIFER DISPOSITION					
Major formation	Quartzite &	schist, Granite gneiss, and older alluvium			
2.1 Numbers of aquifers	Granite gn	eiss – Aquifer – I, Ad	quifer - II		
2.2 Cross section:					
Only one exploratory well is located	d in the bloc	ck.			
3. GROUND WATER RESOURCE, EXTRACTION, CONTAMINATION AND OTHER ISSUES					
3.1 Aquifer wise resource availability and extraction					
Phreatic Aguifer (Aguifer - I)					
Ground water resource estimation (As on 31 st March 2020)					
Annual extractable ground water for recharge (MCM) 22.01					
Current annual ground water extraction for irrigation (MCM)			2.73		
Current annual ground water extraction for domestic (MCM)			1.06		
Current annual ground water extra	0				
Current annual ground water extra	3.79				
Net ground water availability for future use (MCM)			18.22		
Stage of ground water extraction (%)			17.21		
Category		Safe			
3.2 Chemical quality of ground water and contamination					
3.2.1 Variation in Major and Minor elements					

Phreatic Aquifer (Aquifer - I)

The EC value of the phreatic aquifer found from 289 μ S/cm. TDS has been observed 187.85 mg/l. Total hardness value found 125 mg/l. Similarly, the Chloride value observed 28.40 mg/l while the Sulphate value found 11.00 mg/l. Nitrate value observed 31.00 mg/l. Fluoride value found 0.03 mg/l. Overall ground water quality of shallow aquifer (Aquifer – I) is suitable for domestic purpose.

3.2.2 Suitability for irrigation

Phreatic Aquifer (Aquifer - I)

Sodium percentage of ground water of shallow aquifer (Aquifer –I) found 11.00% while RSC value observed – 1.30. SAR value found 0.27 and falling in excellent water class. The ground water of shallow aquifer (Aquifer – I) is suitable for irrigation.

3.3 Other issues

3.3.1 Low ground water development: Low ground water development is the one major issue of the block. Based on Ground water resource assessment as on 2020 stage of ground water development is only 17.21%.

Ground water exploration: Only one exploratory well is located in the block. At least three more exploratory wells may be drilled in the block.

4. SUPPLY SIDE MANAGEMENT

4.1 Ground Water Development Strategies-Construction of Tube well/Bore well based on available safe resources: As per Dynamic Ground Water Resource estimation 2020, the stage of ground water development is only 17.21%. To enhance the ground water development, construction of 1012 dug wells (10 -20 m depth; 2 to 4 m diameter) and 337 bore wells (up to 100 m

depth) are recommended for creating additional irrigation potential							
4.1 Proposed number of artificial The post monsoon water level monitored only 0.9							
echarge structures mbgl. Hence, artificial recharge structures no							
proposed.							
5.2 Demand side management							
Promoting Micro irrigation Technique (drip or sprinkler irrigation, etc.),							
• Crop choice management and diversification(Promoting less intensive crops)							

Annexure - I

LAST TEN YEARS (2010 TO 2020) ANNUAL RAINFALL DATA OF RANIA BLOCK, KHUNTI DISTRICT

Block: Rania (2010 – 2020) Average annual rainfall (mm): 726.32 Standard deviation: 318.62 Coefficient of variation (in %):43.87

Year	Annual rainfall (mm)	Departure %	Category
2010	567.9	21.81	Normal
2011	1463.7	101.52	Excess
2013	943.5	29.90	Excess
2014	951.2	30.96	Excess
2015	681.1	- 6.22	Normal
2016	588.4	- 18.99	Normal
2017	711.2	- 2.08	Normal
2018	440.7	- 39.32	Moderate
2019	457.3	- 37.04	Moderate
2020	458.2	- 36.91	Moderate

Block: Arki (2010 – 2020) Average annual rainfall (mm):910.90 Standard deviation: 415.33 Coefficient of variation (in %): 45.60

Year	Annual rainfall (mm)	Departure %	Category
2010	759.6	- 16.61	Normal
2011	1517.7	66.62	Excess
2013	1548.1	69.95	Excess
2014	1283.8	40.94	Excess
2015	587.0	- 35.56	Moderate
2016	635.3	- 30.25	Moderate
2017	643.1	- 29.40	Moderate
2018	358.4	- 60.65	Severe
2019	718.5	- 21.12	Normal
2020	1057.5	0.13	Normal

Annexure - II

DETAILS OF KEY WELLS ESTABLISHED FOR NATIONAL AQUIFER MAPPING STUDY OF RANIA & ARKI BLOCKS, KHUNTI DISTRICT, 2021 –22

Well	Village	Block	ock Owner Location		Co-	Type of	Lifting	MP	Depth	Diameter	DTWL (mbgl)		
NO.					ordinates	well	device	(magi)	(mbgl)	(m.)	Pre monsoon (May 2021)	Post monsoon (Nov. 2021)	
1	Sode	Rania	Silbia Madam	NHO owner, RHS of Rania – Sode road.	22.68741 85.05001	Dug well	Rope & bucket	0.40	5.60	2.00	4.60	1.76	
2	Rania	Rania	Jaywanti Champi	NHO owner, RHS of Marcha - Rania road & before Rania chowk	22.77218 85.10979	Dug well	Rope & bucket	0.44	7.30	3.60	5.65	1.61	
3	Tangarkela (Lota Toli)	Rania		LHS of Marcha – Rania road.	22.81616 85.05491	Dug well	Rope & bucket	0.00	8.10	2.30	6.00	2.65	
4	Serenghatu	Arki	Govt.	RHS of Kuhnti – Tamar road near trijunction	23.013888 85.529166	Dug well	Rope & bucket	0.50	7.46	3.25	3.00	0.93	

Annexure - III

DETAILS OF WELLS CONSTRUCTED IN HARD FORMATION OF RANIA AND ARKI BLOCKS, KHUNTI DISTRICT, JHARKHAND

SI. No.	Location with coordinates	Block	District	Depth drilled (m)	Depth of Well (m)	Thickness of weathering (m)	Length of casing lowered with dia. (m)	Frac Encou (m From	tures intered bgl) To	Aquifer	SWL (mbgl)	Dis- charge (m ³ /hr)	D.D. (m)	T (m²/d)	S (Storativity)
1	2 Rania EW 22 ⁰ 46' 28" 85 ⁰ 06' 34"	3 Rania	4 Khunti	5 184.00	6 184.00	7 23.50	8 23.90 (7" dia.)	9 29.00 38.00 48.50	10 16.00 39.00 49.50	11 Fractured Granite gneiss	12 9.05	13 16.20	14 19.35	15 65.17	16 1.39x10 ⁻⁴
2	Rania OW	Rania	Khunti	192.00	192.00	21.00	21.60 (7" dia.)	27.00 108.00 189.00	28.00 109.00 190.00	Fractured Granite gneiss		38.74			
3	Hunt	Arki	Khunti	201.00	201.00	8.00	8.35 (7" dia.)			Slightly Fractured Granite gneiss		0.47			

Annexure - IV

WATER QUALITY DATA OF AQUIFER - I (DUG WELL SAMPLES) OF AQUIFER MAPPING STUDY OF RANIA AND ARKI BLOCKS OF KHUNTI DISTRICT (2021-22)

Sr.	Village	Block	Latitude	рΗ	EC	TDS	TH	Ca	Mg	Na	К	HCO ₃	Cl	SO ₄	NO ₃	F
No.			&		(µS/c		\leftarrow Mg/l \rightarrow									
			Longitude		m)											
1	Sode	Rania	22.68741	8.09	232	151	60	16	4.86	18.17	12	91.5	14.2	5	13.83	0.4
			85.05001													
2	Rania	Rania	22.77218	8.06	114	74.10	45	12	3.65	4.63	1.24	30.5	17.75	1.2	3.75	0.48
			85.10979													
3	Tangarkela	Rania	22.81616	8.15	248	161	85	24	6.08	15.7	1.77	97.6	24.85	3.4	7.48	0.58
	(Lota Toli)		85.05491													
4	Serenghatu	Arki	23.013888	7.90	289	187.85	125	38	7.29	7	0.37	73.2	28.40	11	31	0.03
			85.529166													

Annexure - V

WATER QUALITY DATA OF AQUIFER - II (HAND PUMP SAMPLES) OF AQUIFER MAPPING STUDY OF RANIA AND ARKI BLOCKS OF KHUNTI DISTRICT (2021-22)

Sr.	Village	Block	Latitude	рΗ	EC	TDS	TH	Ca	Mg	Na	К	HCO ₃	Cl	SO ₄	NO ₃	F
No.			&		(µS/c		\leftarrow Mg/l \rightarrow									
			Longitude		m)											
1	Sode	Rania	22.68741	8.2	140	91	45	12	3.65	10.87	0.1	48.8	14.2	1.3	6.61	0.82
			85.05001													
2	Rania	Rania	22.77218	8.15	68	44.2	15	2	2.43	6.46	1.09	18.3	7.1	0.3	3.2	0.68
			85.10979													
3	Tangarkela	Rania	22.81616	7.91	396	257	135	38	9.72	28.26	1.02	134.2	39.05	18	12.76	0.68
	(Lota Toli)		85.05491													