





Land Resource and Hydrological Inventory of Gopalapur Sub-watershed for Watershed Planning and Development Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District, Karnataka (AESR 6.2)

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PART - A

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How to read and use the Atlas

The Land Resource Inventory of Gopalapur Sub-watershed (Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District) for Watershed Planning (AESR 6.2) was undertaken to provide comprehensive site- specific cadastral level information useful for farm level planning and integrated development of the area under Sujala – III, Karnataka Watershed Development Project-II.

This atlas contains the basic information on kinds of soils, their geographic distribution, characteristics and classification. The soil map and soil based thematic maps derived from soils data on soil depth, soil gravelliness, slope, land suitability for various crops and land use management maps are presented on 1:12,500 scale. The maps of fertility status (soil reaction, organic carbon, available phosphorus, available potassium, available sulphur, available calcium, available copper, available manganese, available zinc, available iron, available boron and salinity (EC) on 1:12,500 scale were derived from grid point sampling of the surface soils from the watersheds.

The atlas illustrates maps and tables that depict the soil resources of the watershed and the need for their sustainable management.

The user, depending on his/her requirement, can refer this atlas first by identifying his/her field and survey number on the village soil map and by referring the soil legend which is provided in tabular form after the soil map for details pertaining to his/her area of interest.

The atlas explains in simple terms the different kinds of soils present in the watershed, their potentials and problems through a series of thematic maps that help to develop site-specific plans as well as the need to conserve and manage this increasingly threatened natural resource through sustainable land use management. The Land Resource Atlas contains database collected at land parcel/ survey number level on soils, climate, water, vegetation, crops and cropping patterns, socio-economic conditions, marketing facilities *etc.* helps in identifying soil and water conservation measures required, suitability for crops and other uses and finally for preparing a viable and sustainable land use options for each and every land parcel.

For easy map reading and understanding the information contain in different maps, the physical, cultural and scientific symbols used in the maps are illustrated in the form of colors, graphics and tables.

Physical, Cultural and Scientific symbols used in the Atlas

Each map in the atlas sheet is complemented with the physical, cultural and scientific symbols to facilitate easy map reading.

Inset map

Inset provided in each map conveys its strategic location i.e. Taluk, Sub-watershed and Sub-watershed.

Legends and symbols

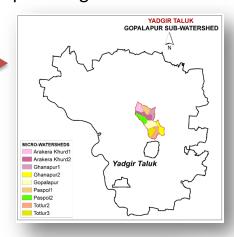
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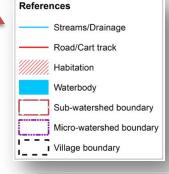
Map colours

Different shades of colours are used as an aid to distinguish the different classes of soils, crop suitability and other maps.

Map key

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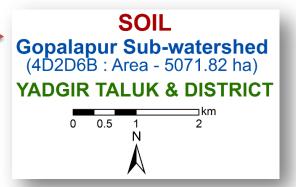
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Key S1- Highly Suitable S2- Moderately Suitable S3- Marginally Suitable N1- Currently Not Suitable N2- Permanently Not Suitable Limitations n- nutrient availability r- rooting condition t- texture z- excess salt/calcareousness

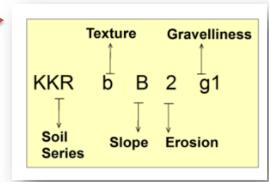
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Map title conveys the relevance of thematic information presented along with a graphical scale, geographical location and watershed details in text form.



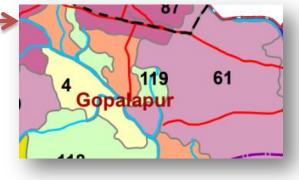
Soil Units

The soil map may be read at different levels. The most detailed level is that of the soil phase. Soil phases are distinguished within soil series mainly based on differences in surface of soil texture, slope, gravelliness, erosion, etc.



Soil and plot boundaries

Soil units shown on the map are represented by both the color and a numeral. The soil boundaries are superimposed on land parcel with revenue survey number boundaries to visualize its spatial extent.



1. Introduction

Land is a scarce resource and basic unit for any material production. It can support the needs of the growing population, provided they use land in a rational and judicious manner. But what is happening in many areas of the state is a cause for concern to anyone involved in the management of land resources at the grassroots level. In India the area available for agriculture is about 51 per cent of the total area and more than 60 per cent of the people are still relying on agriculture for their livelihood. The limited land area is under severe stress and strain due to increasing population pressure and competing demands of various land uses. Due to this, every year there is a significant diversion of farm lands and water resources for non-agricultural purposes. Apart from this, due to lack of interest for farming among the farmers in many areas, large tracts of cultivable lands are turning into fallows and this trend is continuing at an alarming rate.

The watershed management programs are aimed at designing suitable soil and water conservation measures, productivity enhancement of existing crops, crop diversification with horticultural species, greening the wastelands with forestry species of multiple uses and improving the livelihood opportunities for landless people.

The objectives can be met to a great extent when an appropriate Natural Resources Management (NRM) plan is prepared and implemented. It is essential to have site specific Land Resources Inventory (LRI) indicating the potentials and constraints for developing such a site specific plan. LRI can be obtained by carrying out detailed characterization and mapping of all the existing land resources like soils, climate, water, minerals and rocks, vegetation, crops, land use pattern, socio-economic conditions, infrastructure, marketing facilities and various schemes and developmental works of the government. From the data collected at farm level, the specific problems and potentials of the area can be identified and highlighted, conservation measures required for the area can be planned on a scientific footing, suitability of the area for various uses can be worked out and finally viable and sustainable land use options suitable for each and every land holding can be prescribed to the farmer and other land users of the area.

The major landforms identified in the Sub-watershed are uplands and low lands. The database was generated by using cadastral map of the village as a base along with high resolution satellite imagery (IRS LISS IV and Cartosat-1). The objectives of the land resource survey, carried out in the Gopalapur Sub-watershed covering an area of 5071.82ha are indicated below.

- Detailed characterization of all the land resources like soil, water, land use, cropping pattern and other resources available at parcel level in the village.
- Delineation of homogenous areas based on soil-site characteristics into management units.
- Collection and interpretation of climatic and agronomical data for crop planning.
- Identification of problems and potentials of the area and strategies for their management.
- Assessment of the suitability of land resources for various crops and other uses.
- Establishment of village level digital land resources database in a GIS framework.
- Enable the watershed and other line departments to prepare an action plan for the integrated development of the watershed.

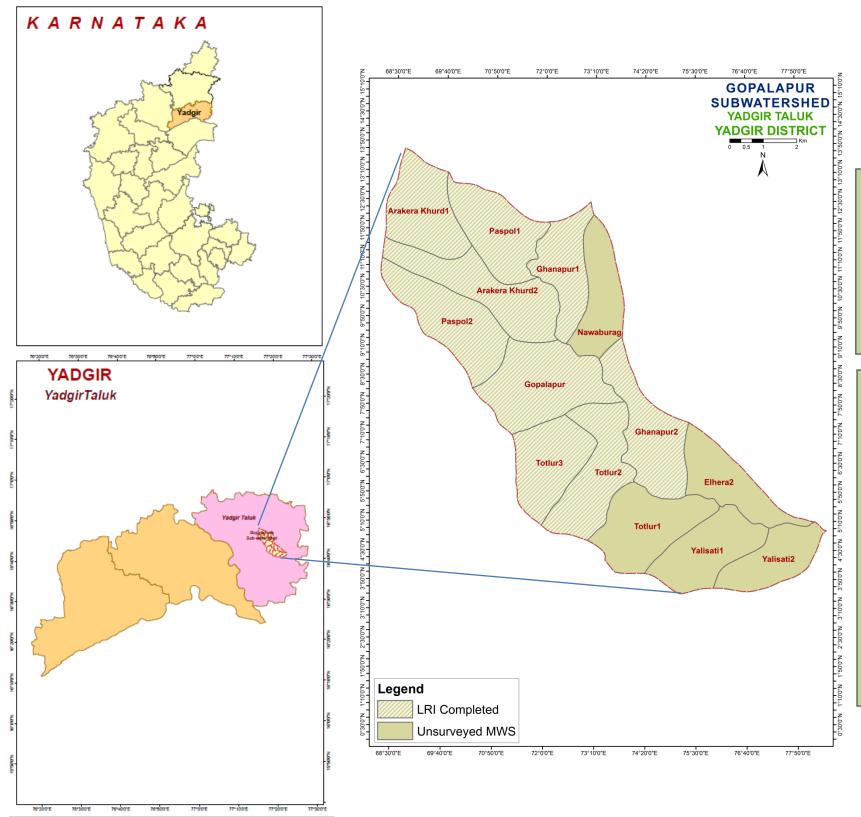
2. General Description of Sub-watershed

The Yadgir, popularly called as "Yadavagiri" by the local people, district came to existence on 30th Dec 2009 by carving out of erst-while Kalaburagi district of Karnataka with a geographical area of 5234.4 square kilometers, located in the northern part of the state. It lies between north latitudes' 17°0' – 16°55' and east longitudes 77° 7' – 77° 0'. The climate of the district is very hot and dry. The district has an average annual rainfall of 636 mm. Soils are well drained red sandy loam to medium deep black soils. This may be the weathering product of gneissic and granite terrain. Agriculture in Yadgir district is dependent upon rainfall, irrigation tanks, wells, streams etc. The major agricultural crops grown are Jowar, Groundnut, Cotton, Red gram, Bengal gram etc.

As a pilot study, ICAR-NBSS&LUP, Bangalore carried out the generation of Sub-watershed (SWs) - LRI for the Gopalapur SWs (code— 4D2D6B) in Yadgir taluk, Yadgir district covering an area of 7369 ha. It was selected for data base generation under Sujala III project. This sub-watershed encompasses of 14 MWs namely, Elhera-2 (4D2D6B2d), Gopalapur (4D2D6B1e), Ghanapur-2 (4D2D6B2c), Arakera Khurd-1 (4D2D6B1a), Paspol-1 (4D2D6B1b), Ghanapur-1 (4D2D6B2a), Nawaburag (4D2D6B2b), Arakera Khurd-2 (4D2D6B1c), Paspol-2 (4D2D6B1d), Totlur-2 (4D2D6B3b), Totlur-3 (4D2D6B3a), Totlur-1 (4D2D6B3c), Yalisati-1 (4D2D6B3d) and Yalisati-2 (4D2D6B3e) micro watersheds. Land Resource Inventory (LRI) was generated for nine among the fourteen micro-watersheds.

2.1. Location and Extent

LOCATION MAP OF GOPALAPUR SUB-WATERSHED



Gopalapur sub-watershed (Yadgir taluk, Yadgir district) is located between 16⁰41'23" – 16⁰47'26" North latitudes and 77⁰15'36" –77⁰20'39" East longitudes, covering an area of about 7369 ha.

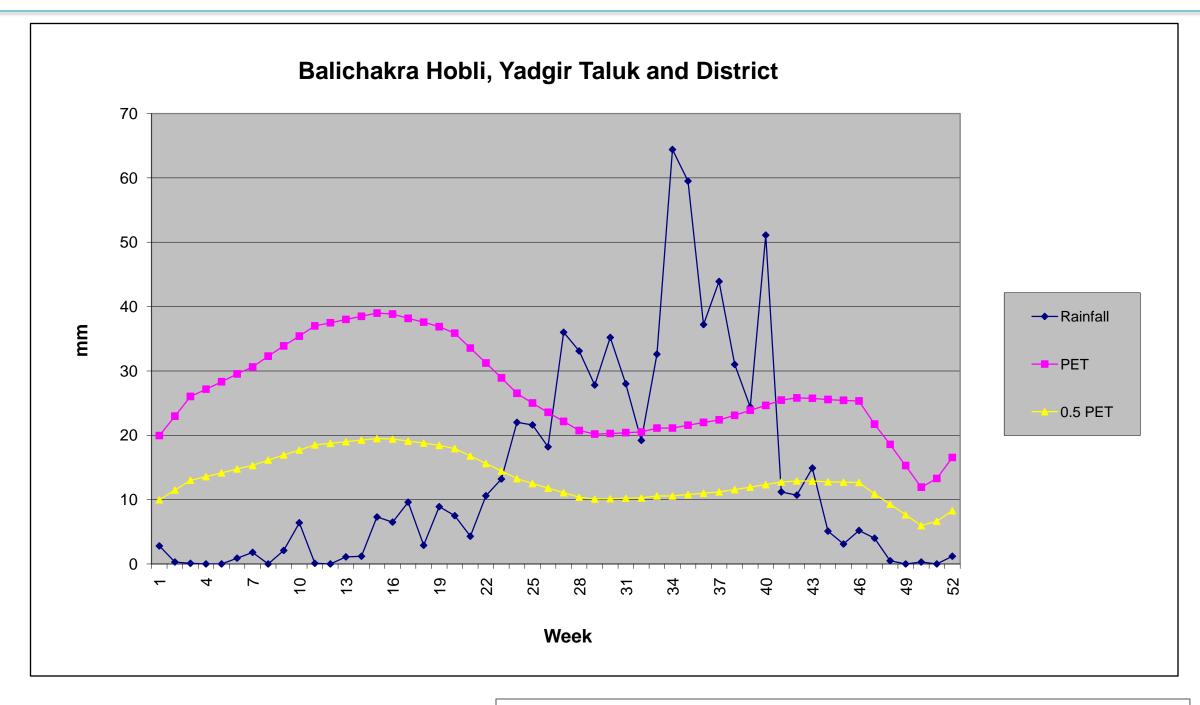
Agro Ecological Sub Region (AESR) 6.2: Central and Western Maharashtra Plateau and North Karnataka Plateau and North Western Telangana Plateau, hot moist semi-arid ESR with shallow and medium loamy to clayey Black soils (medium and deep clayey Black soils as inclusion), medium to high AWC and LGP 120-150 days.

Agro-climatic Zone 2: North-eastern Dry Zone:

The total geographic area of this zone is about 1.76 M ha covering 8 taluks of Gulbarga district and 3 taluks of Raichur. Net cultivated area in the zone is about 1.31 M ha of which about 0.09 M ha are irrigated. The mean elevation of the zone is 300-450 m MSL. The main soil type is deep to very deep soils with small pockets of shallow to medium black soils. The zone is cropped predominantly during rabi due to insufficient rainfall (465-785 mm). The principal crops of the zone are jowar, bajra, oilseeds, pulses, cotton and sugarcane.

NOTE: Land Resource Inventory (LRI) was generated for nine among the fourteen microwatersheds

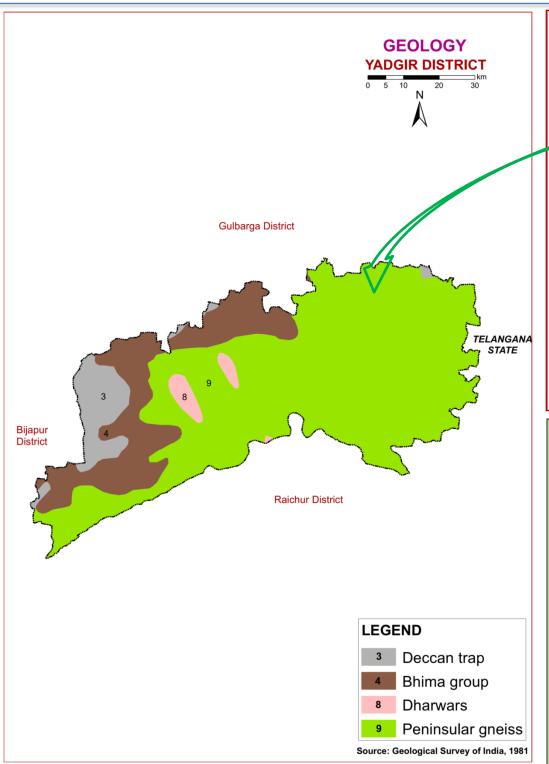
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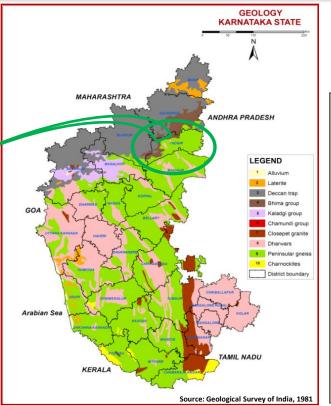


Length of Growing Period (LGP) is varying from June 2nd week to Last week of October (120 - 150 days)

Annual Rainfall: 729 mm. in the Balichakra Hobli, Yadgir Taluk & District

2.3. Geology





GEOLOGY - KARNATAKA STATE

Karnataka forms part of the Peninsular Shield, which is an ancient stable block of the earth's crust. The shield is composed of geologically ancient rocks of diverse origin. These rocks have undergone various degrees of metamorphism and crushing. Overlying these ancient rocks are Proterozoic, lete Creteceous to Palaeocene, Palaeocene to Recent, and Recent sediments.

In the stratigraphic succession of rocks in Karnataka the Archaean group is the oldest, followed by Proterozoic, Mesozoic and Cainozoic formations.

GEOLOGY - YADGIR DISTRICT

Mesozoic Group

Towards the end of the Cretaceous Period there was tremendous volcanic activity in the Peninsular part of India with eruption of a series of lava flows which came out through fissures and cracks. This formation is Known as the Deccan Trap.

Deccan Trap: The Deccan Trap covers an area of 25,000 sq. km. Eight lava flows have been identified in Karnataka, horizontally overlying the older formations. The thickness of the individual flows averages about five metres. The Deccan Trap is relatively uniform in petrographic character. The most common type is augite basalt. Dominant colour is greyish green; texture ranges from cryptocrystalline to glassy. The rock is often visicular and scoriaceous.

Upper Proterozoic Group

Formations of the Upper Proterozoic in Karnataka are closepet granites, Chamundi granites, Kaladgi series and Bhima series.

Bhima series

This series, equivalent to the Kurnool formations, is named after the Bhima river and occurs in Bijapur and Gulbarga districts. It covers an area of about 4200 sq. km and is overlain by the Deccan trap. The group consists of horizontal, unfossiliferous, unmetamorphosed sedimentary rocks such as sandstones, green, purple and black shales, and cream and bluish limestones. The thickness is about 477 metres.

Dharwar schists

The Dharwar schists consist of a complex series of crystalline schists associated with ultrabasic rocks such as amphibolite, peridotites and dunites. These schists are found in long, narrow bands of various dimensions running NW-SE through the Peninsular Gneiss. The Dharwars are divided into Upper and Lower.

Upper Dharwars are equivalent to the Archaean to Lower Proterozoic, and are divided into Bababudan.

Lower Dharwars occur in Mysore district and include amphibolite schist, quartzite, ironstone and marble.

Peninsular Gneiss

Exposed over a large area of Karnataka in all the districts except Bidar is the Peninsular Gneiss which is a heterogeneous mixture of several types of granitic rocks such as banded gneisses, granitic gneisses, granites and gneissic granites, granodiorites and diorites. The banded gneisses consist of white bands of quartz-feldspar alternating with dark bands of biotite, hornblende, and minor accessories. The granite group includes granites of all shades with varying composition. Peninsular gneiss seems to have formed by the granitization of the older rocks.

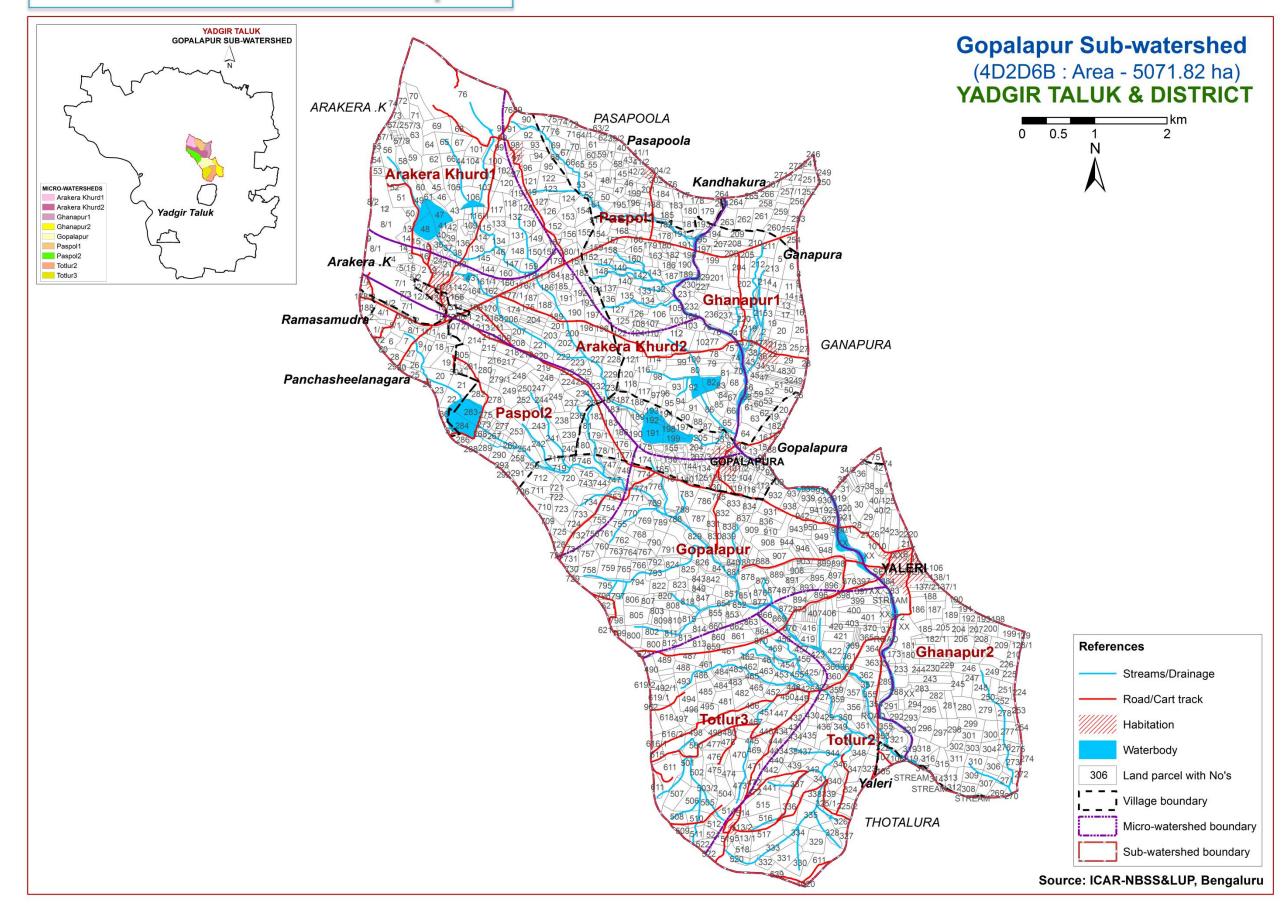
3. Survey Methodology

Sequence of activities in generation of LRI

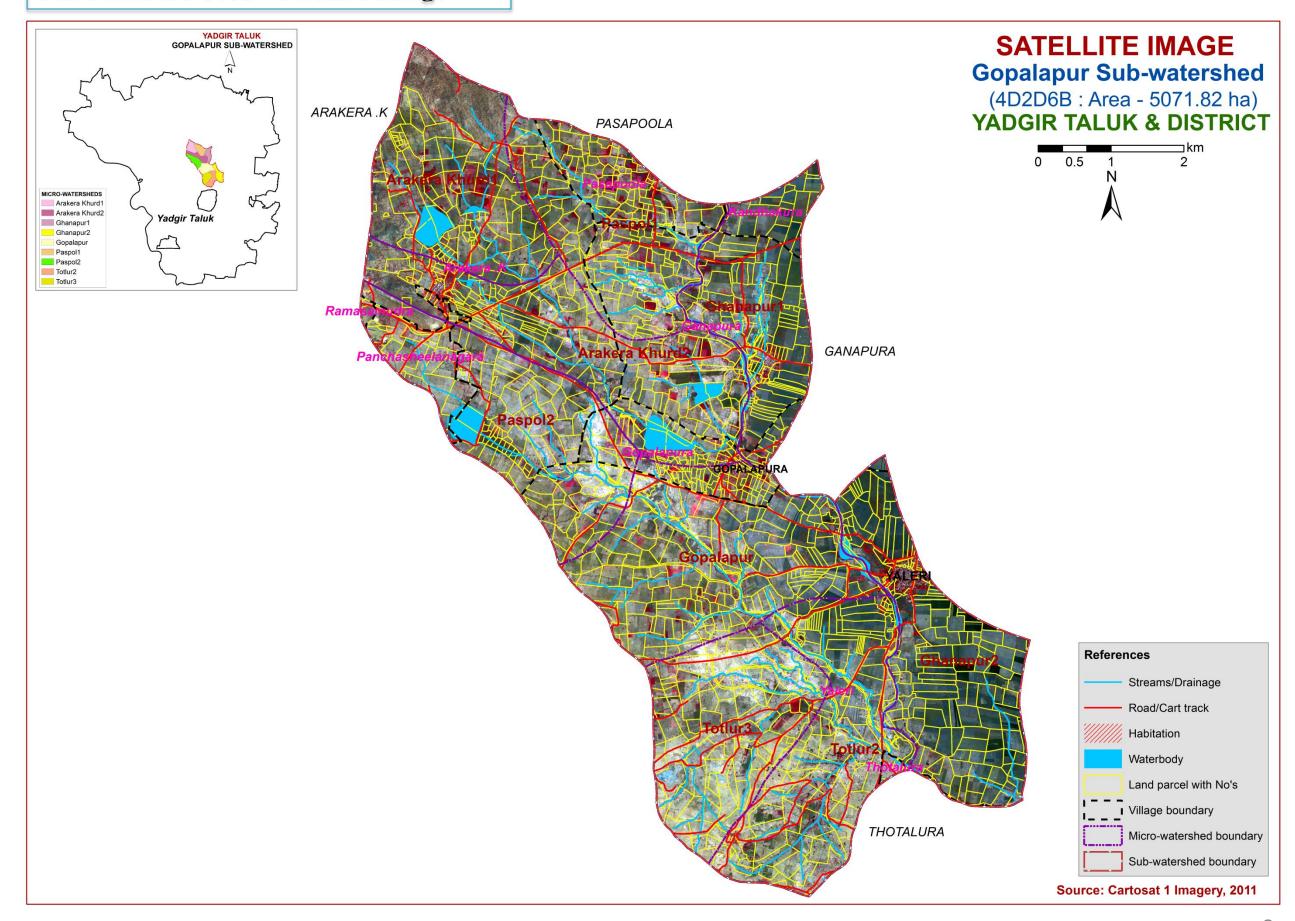
- Traversing the watershed using cadastral maps and imagery as base
- Identifying landforms, geology, land use and other features
- Selecting fields representing land units
- Opening profiles to 2 m depth
- Studying soil and site characteristics
- Grouping similar areas based on their soil-site characteristics into land management units
- Preparation of crop, soil and water conservation plan
- Socio-economic evaluation

The required site and soil characteristics are described and recorded on a standard proforma by following the protocols and guidelines given in the soil survey manual and field guide. Collection of soil samples from representative pedons for laboratory characterization and collection of surface soil samples from selected fields covering most of the management units for macro and micro-nutrient analysis is being carried out (320m grid intervals). Further processing of data at chemical lab and GIS lab are carried out to generate various thematic maps for each of the study area.

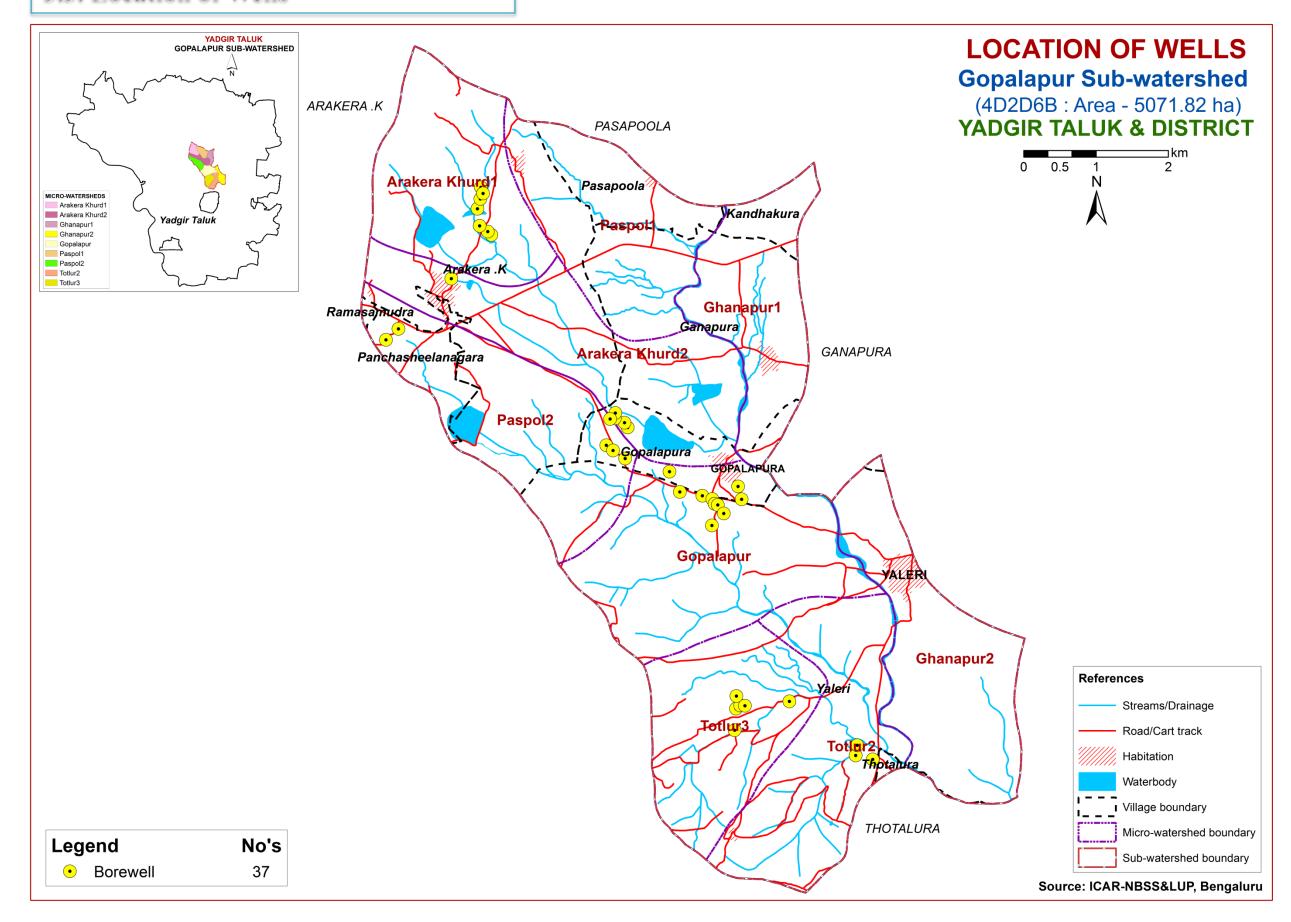
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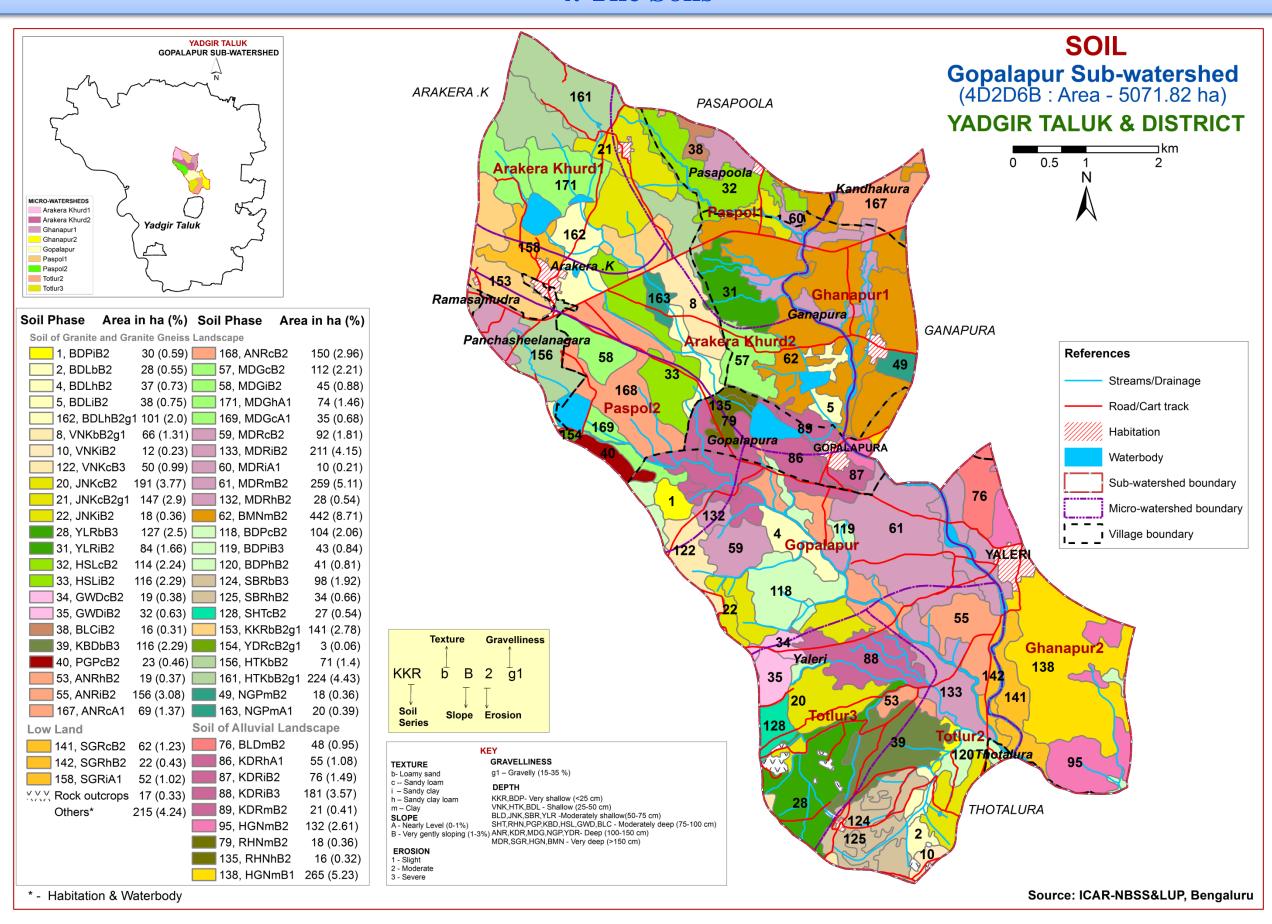
3.2. Database Used - Satellite Image



3.3. Location of Wells



4. The Soils



4.1 Mapping unit description of Gopalapur (4D2D6B) Sub-watershed in Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir district

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)	
-		Soi	dls of Granite and Granite gneiss Landscape		
	DDD	Baddeppalli soils are very shallow (<25 cm), well drained, have dark brown to dark reddish brown,			
	BDP	calcareous sandy clay l	calcareous sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation		
118		BDPcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	104 (2.06)	
120		BDPhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	41 (0.81)	
1		BDPiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	30 (0.59)	
119		BDPiB3	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	43 (0.84)	
	IZIZD	Kakalawar soils are ve	ery shallow (<25 cm), well drained, have dark brown sandy loam soils occurring	141	
	KKR	on very gently sloping	uplands under cultivation	(2.78)	
153		KKRbB2g1	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	141 (2.78)	
		Badiyala soils are sha	llow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark brown and dark	20.4	
	BDL		htly calcareous sandy loam soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping	204 (4.03)	
2		BDLbB2	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	28 (0.55)	
4		BDLhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion,	37 (0.73)	
162		BDLhB2g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	101 (2.0)	
5		BDLiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3, moderate erosion	38 (0.75)	
5		Hattikuni soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark yellowish brown sandy loam soils			
	HTK		occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation		
156		HTKbB2	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	(5.83) 71 (1.4)	
161		HTKbB2g1	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	224 (4.43)	
101		 	e shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown, sandy clay red soils	128	
	VNK		ly to moderately sloping uplands under cultivation	(2.53)	
8		VNKbB2g1	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	66 (1.31)	
122		VNKcB3	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	50 (0.99)	
10		VNKiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	12 (0.23)	
			erately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark grayish	12 (0.23)	
	JNK	brown, slightly calcareous sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation			
20		JNKcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	191 (3.77)	
21		JNKcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	147 (2.9)	
22		JNKiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3, moderate erosion	18 (0.36)	

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)	
		Soi	ls of Granite and Granite gneiss Landscape		
	SBR		Sambara soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), somewhat excessively drained, have light gray to pink, loamy sand soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation		
124			Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	(2.58) 98 (1.92)	
125		SBRhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion,	34 (0.66)	
	YLR		rately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have brown to reddish brown and dark soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	211 (4.16)	
28		YLRbB3	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	127 (2.5)	
31		YLRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	84 (1.66)	
	BLC		oderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have reddish brown to dark reddish n red soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	16 (0.31)	
38		BLCiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	16 (0.31)	
	GWD		Gowdagera soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), moderately well drained, have dark grayish brown to very dark grayish brown, calcareous sodic sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping		
34		GWDcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	19 (0.38)	
35		GWDiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	32 (0.63)	
	HSL	Hosalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), moderately well drained, have yellowish brown to dark yellowish brown, slightly calcareous sandy clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation			
32		HSLcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	114 (2.24)	
33		HSLiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	116 (2.29)	
	KBD	Kalabelagundi soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have reddish brown to dark reddish brown and dark reddish gray, gravelly sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation			
39		KBDbB3	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	116 (2.29)	
	PGP	• •	erately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark brown, dark reddish brown to ay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	23 (0.46)	
40		PGPcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	23 (0.46)	
	SHT		erately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have very dark gray, slightly calcareous ls occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	27 (0.54)	
128		SHTcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	27 (0.54)	

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)	
		Soi	ils of Granite and Granite gneiss Landscape		
		Anur soils are deep (1	00-150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to dark brown, calcareous	394	
	ANR	sodic clay soils occurri	odic clay soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation		
167		ANRcA1	Sandy loam surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	69 (1.37)	
168		ANRcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	150 (2.96)	
53		ANRhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion,	19 (0.37)	
55		ANRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	156 (3.08)	
		Mundargi soils are dee	ep (100-150 cm), well drained, have brown to dark yellowish brown, sandy clay	266	
	MDG	loam soils occurring or	n very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	(5.23)	
169		MDGcA1	Sandy loam surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	35 (0.68)	
57		MDGcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	112 (2.21)	
171		MDGhA1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	74 (1.46)	
58		MDGiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	45 (0.88)	
	NGP	-	eep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray to very dark calcareous cracking clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under	38 (0.75)	
163		NGPmA1	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	20 (0.39)	
49		NGPmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	18 (0.36)	
	YDR	Yadgir soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have brown to dark yellowish brown and olive brown, sodic sandy loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation			
154		YDRcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	3 (0.06)	
	BMN	Bhimanahalli soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray, calcareous cracking clay black soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation		442 (8.71)	
62		BMNmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	442 (8.71)	
	MDR	Madhwara soils are very deep (>150 cm), well drained, have very dark gray to very dark brown, slightly calcareous sandy clay loam soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation			
59		MDRcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	92 (1.81)	
132		MDRhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion,	28 (0.54)	
60		MDRiA1	Sandy clay surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	10 (0.21)	
133		MDRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	211 (4.15)	
61		MDRmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	259 (5.11)	

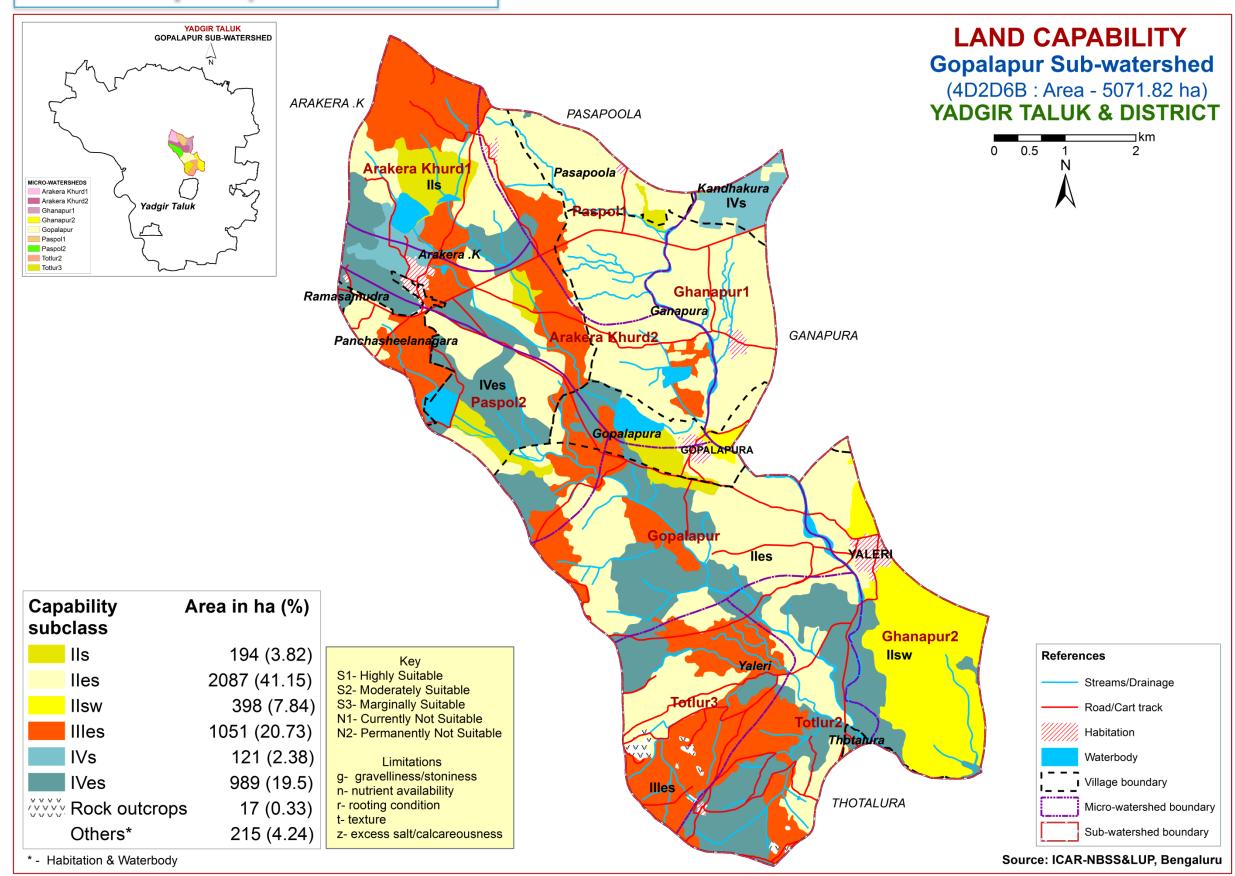
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•		Soi	ls of Granite and Granite gneiss Landscape	
	SGR	"	y deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark gray, ting clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping lowlands under	136 (2.68)
141		SGRcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	62 (1.23)
142		SGRhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	22 (0.43)
158		SGRiA1	Sandy clay surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	52 (1.02)
•			Soils of Alluvial Landscape	
	BLD		derately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have black to very dark y calcareous clay loam soils. occurring on very gently to gently sloping plains	48 (0.95)
76		BLDmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	48 (0.95)
	HGN	Hegganakera soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray to dark grayish brown, slightly calcareous cracking clay soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation		
138		HGNmB1	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	265 (5.23)
95		HGNmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	132 (2.61)
	RHN	Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have very dark grayish brown to dark brown, slightly calcareous sodic sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.		
135		RHNhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion,	16 (0.32)
79		RHNmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	18 (0.36)
	KDR	Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray to grayish brown, calcareous cracking clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation		
86		KDRhA1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	55 (1.08)
87		KDRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	76 (1.49)
88		KDRiB3	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	181 (3.57)
89		KDRmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	21 (0.41)
999		Rock outcrops	Rock lands, both massive and bouldery with little or no soil	17 (0.33)
1000		Others		215 (4.24)

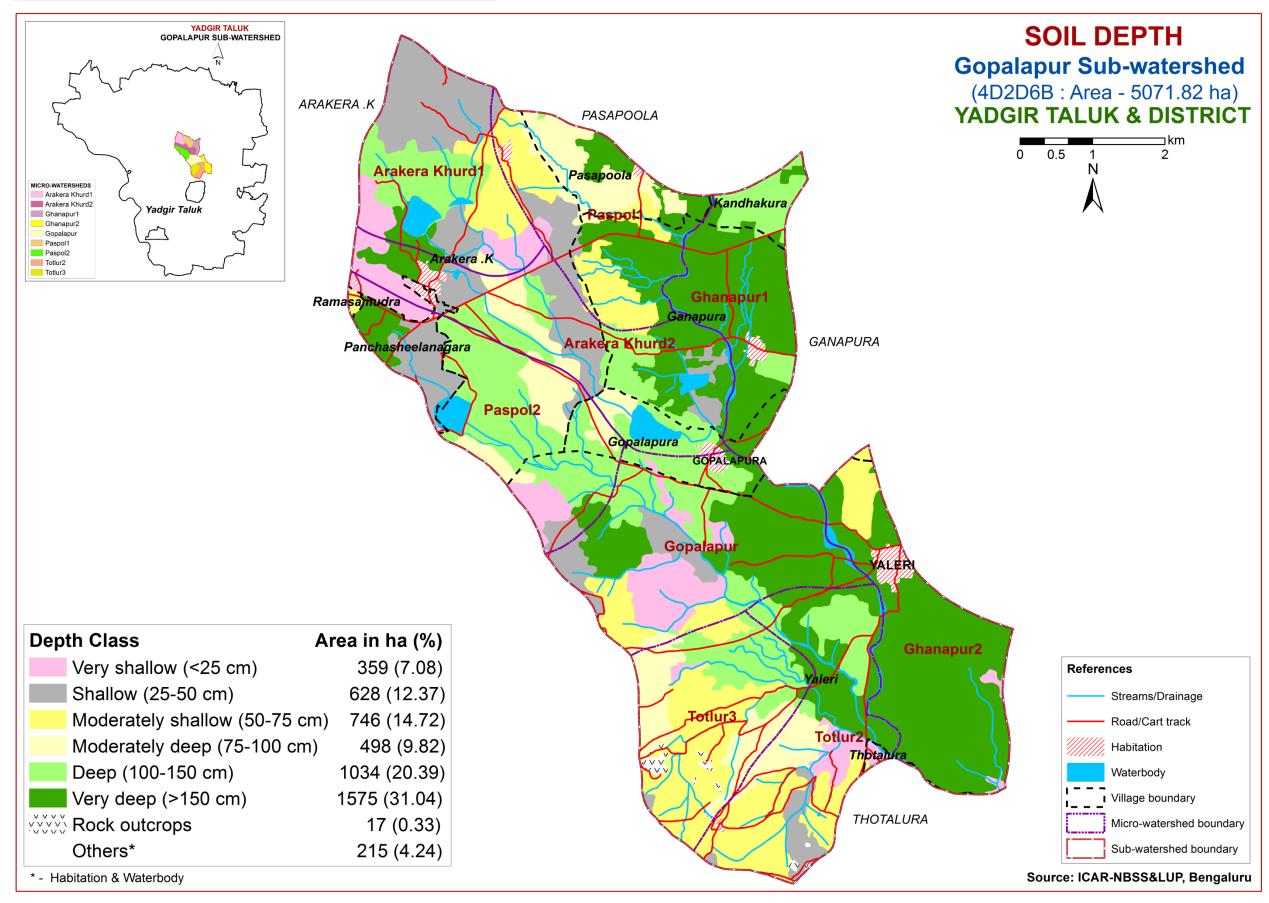
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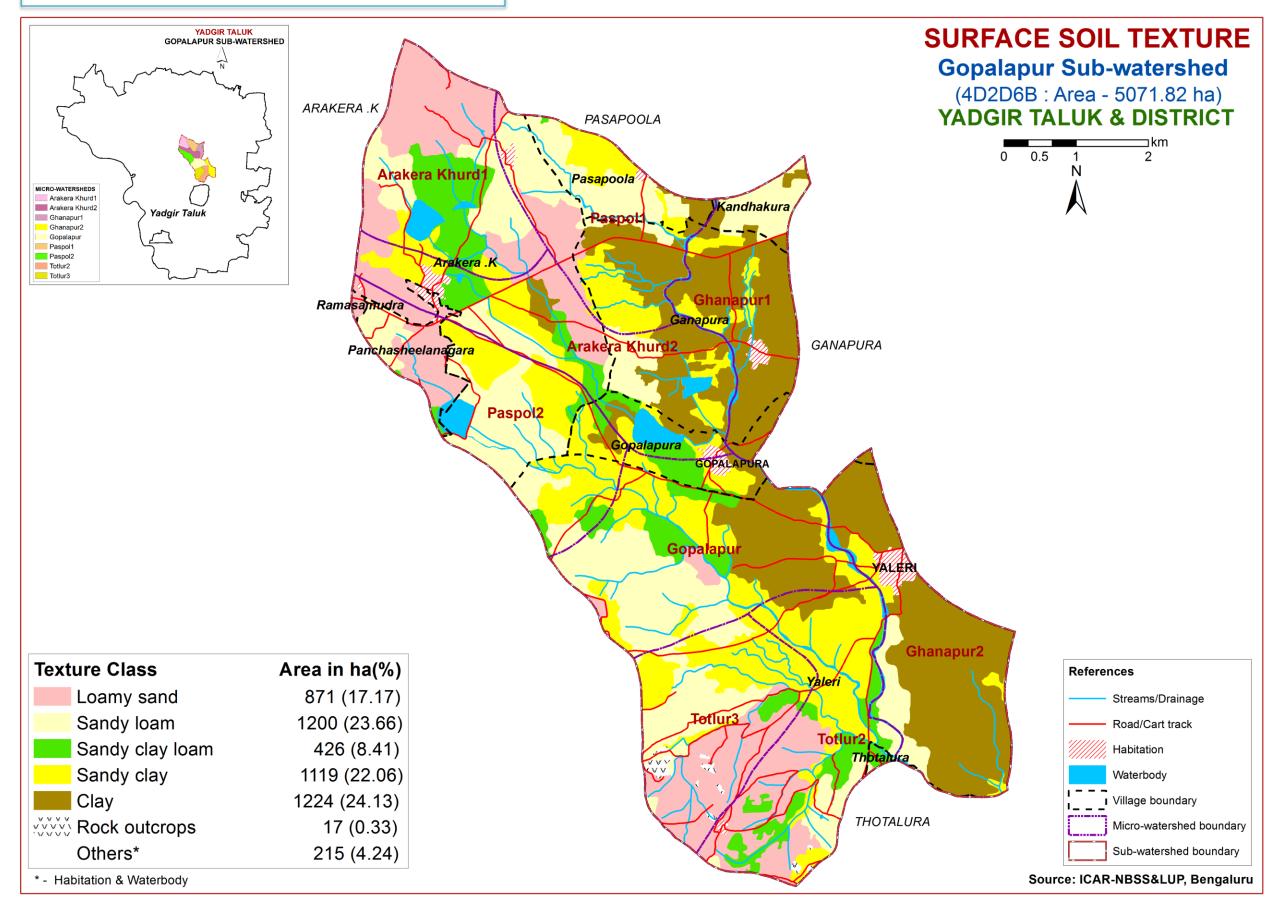
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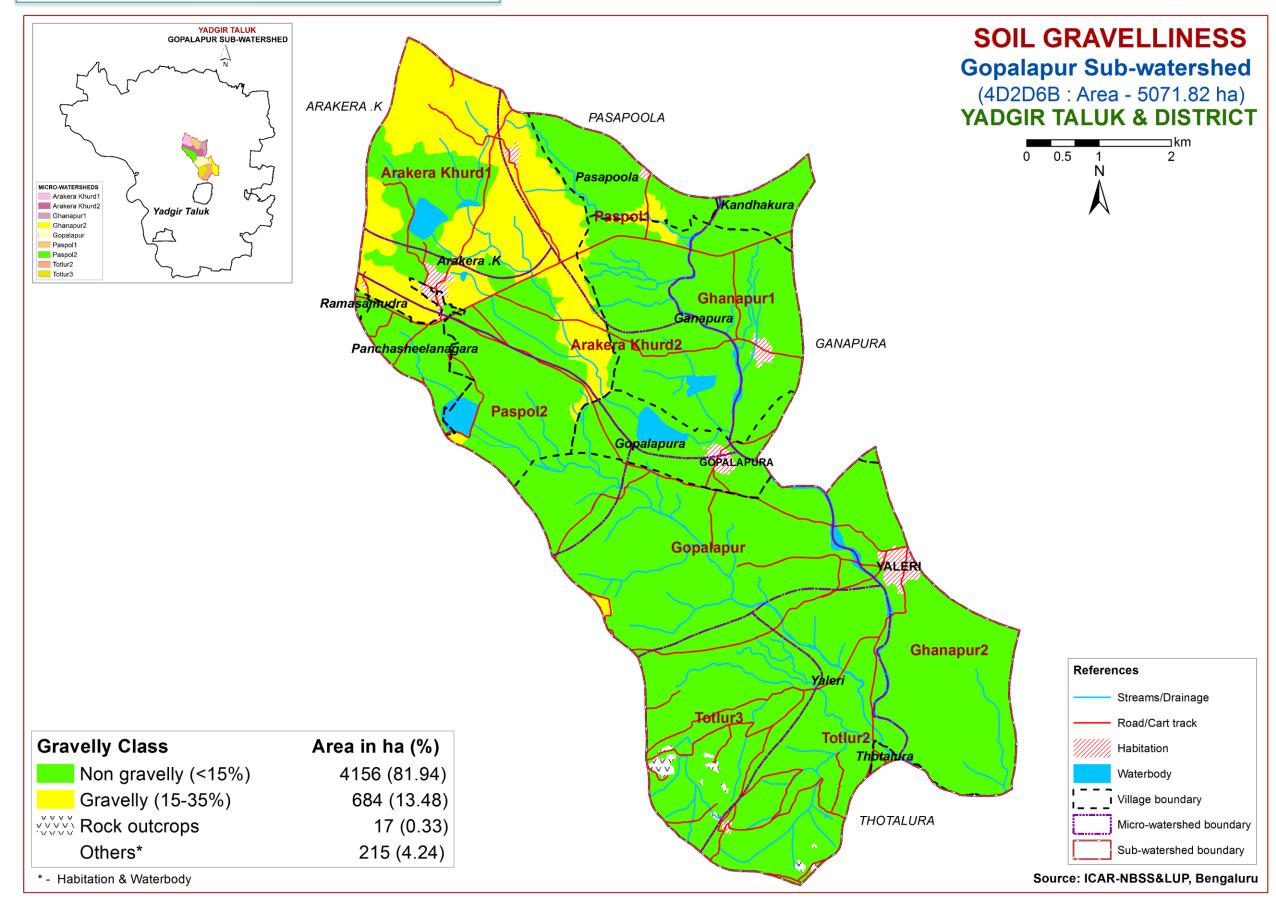
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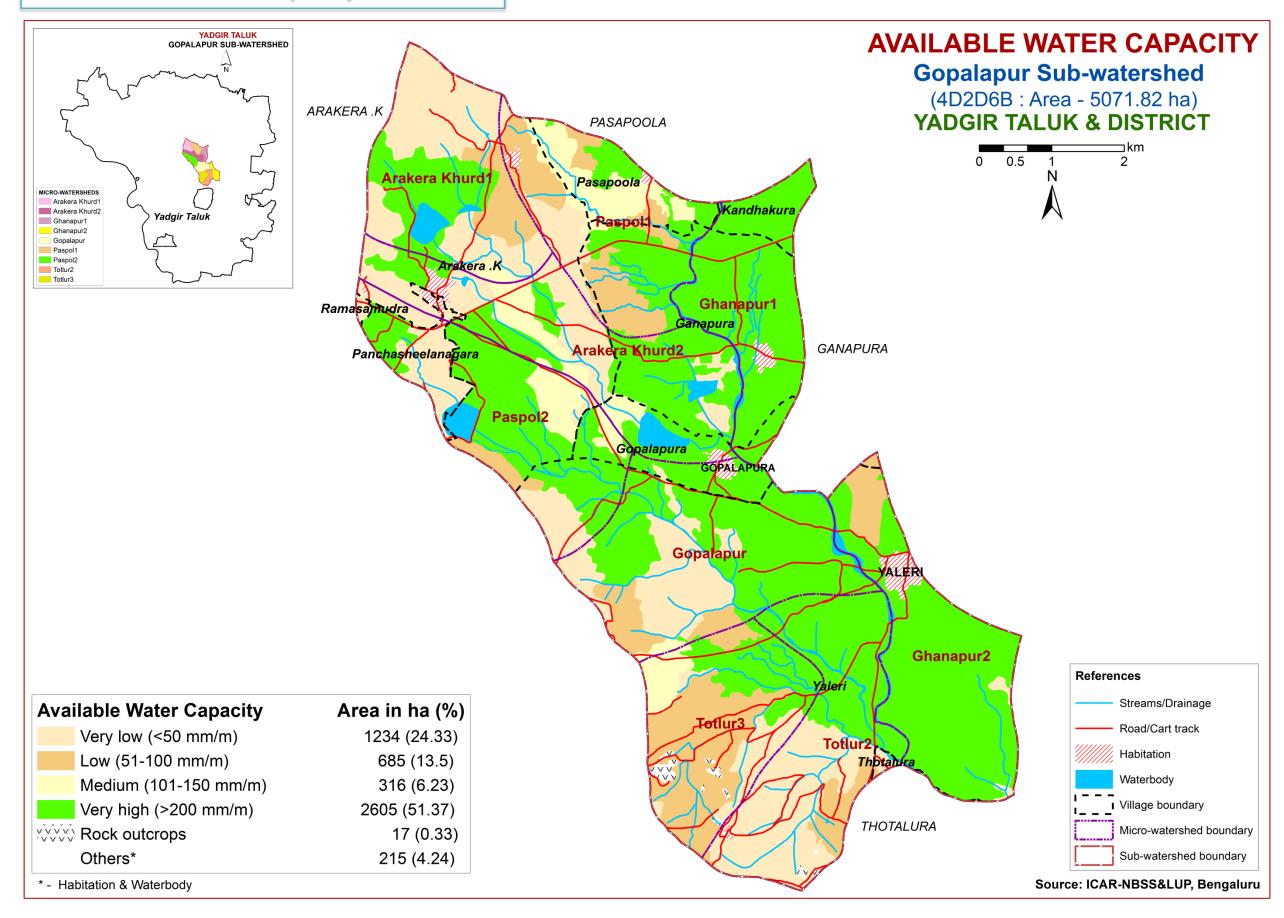
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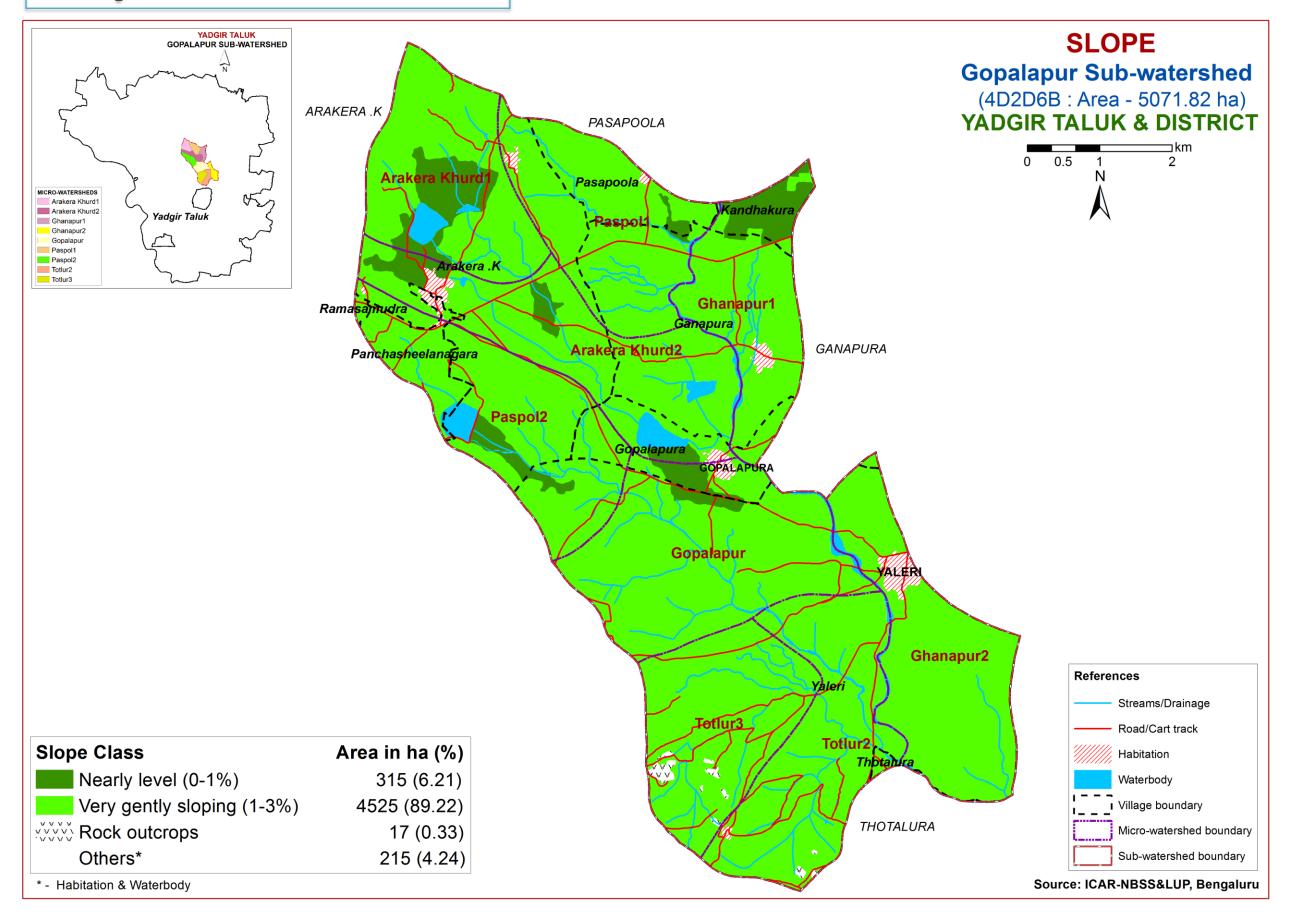
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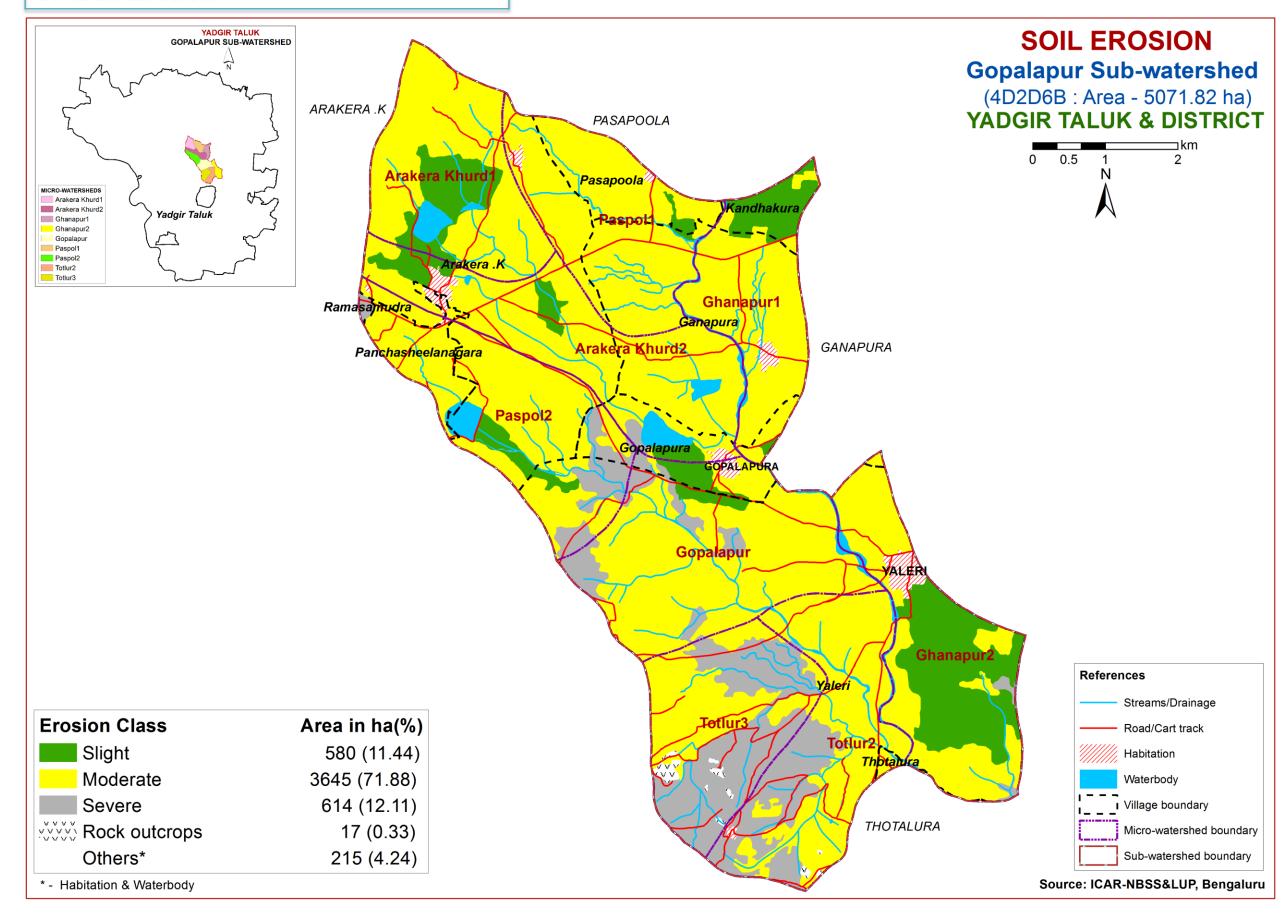
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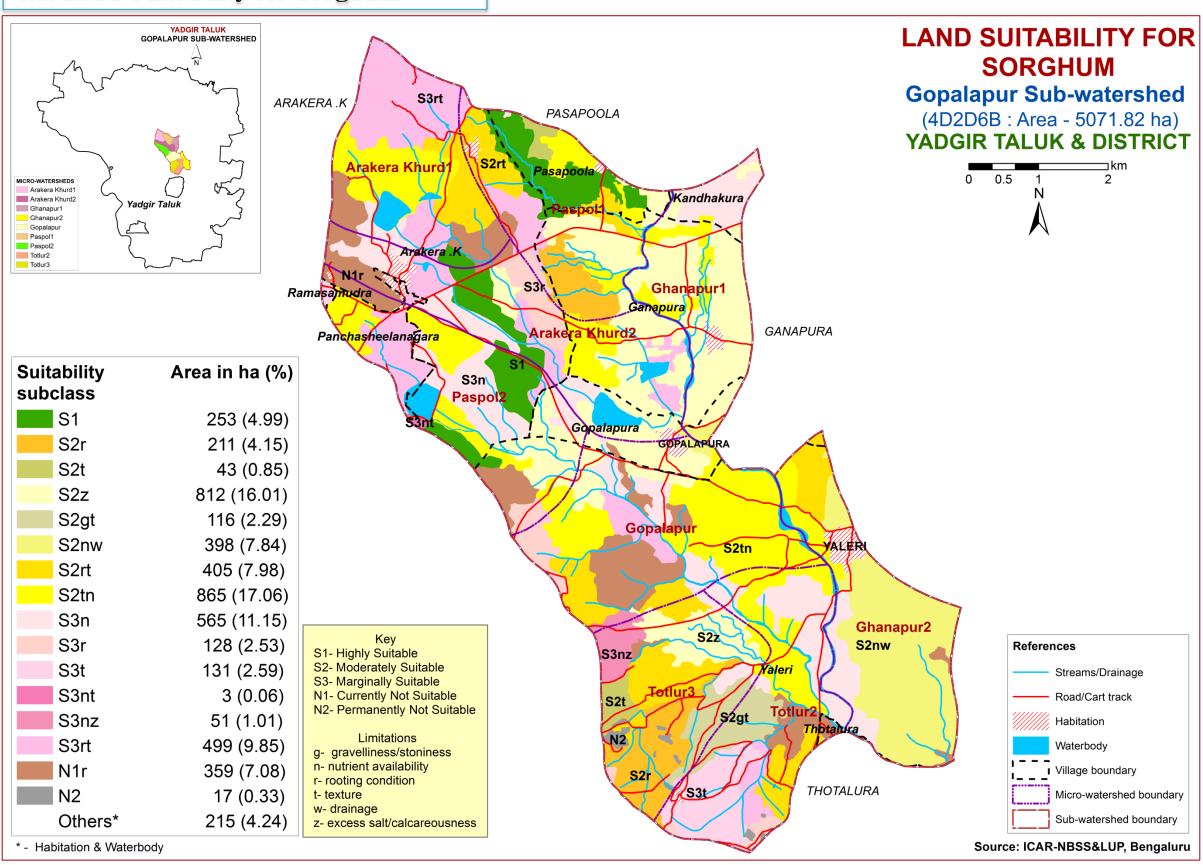


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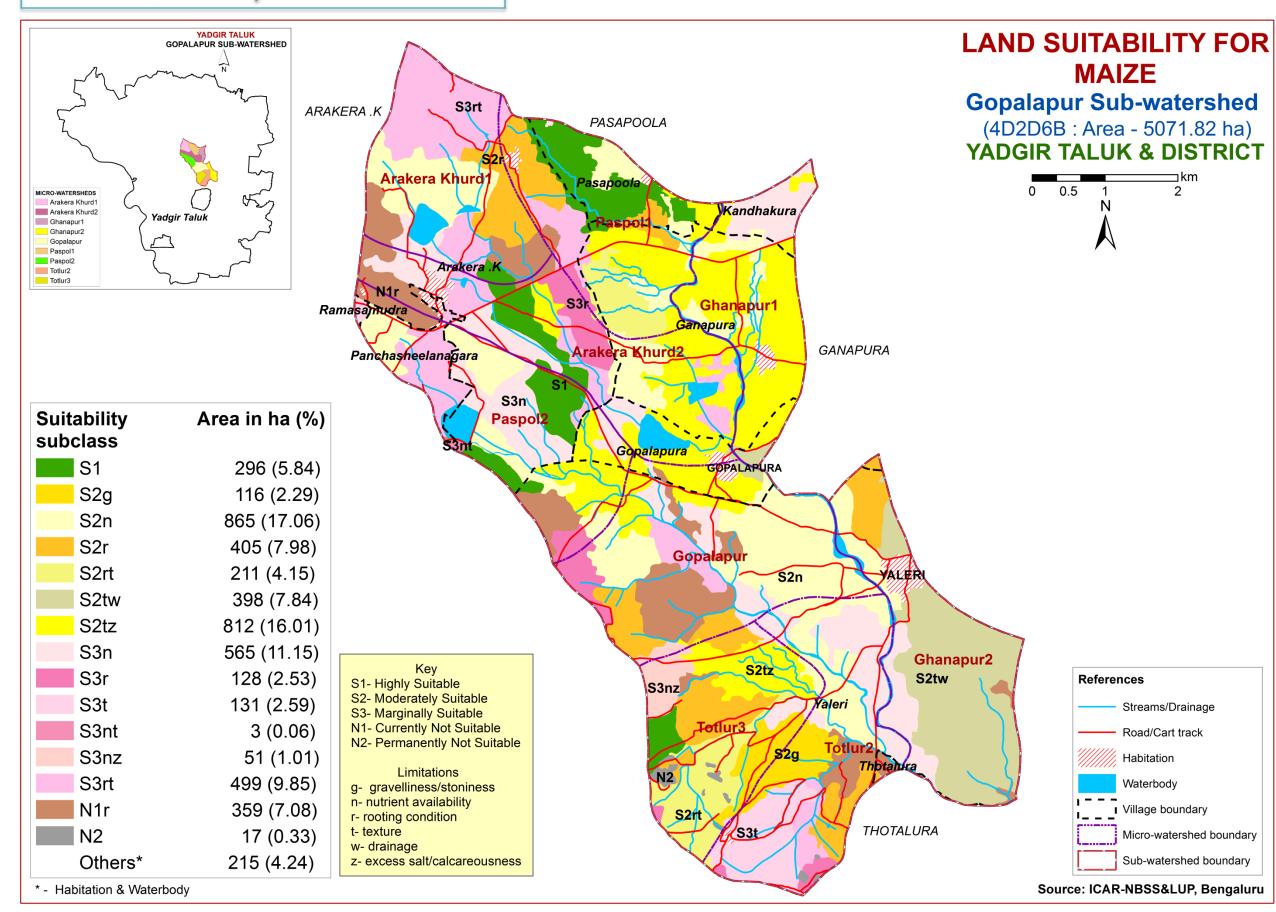


6. Land Suitability for Major Crops

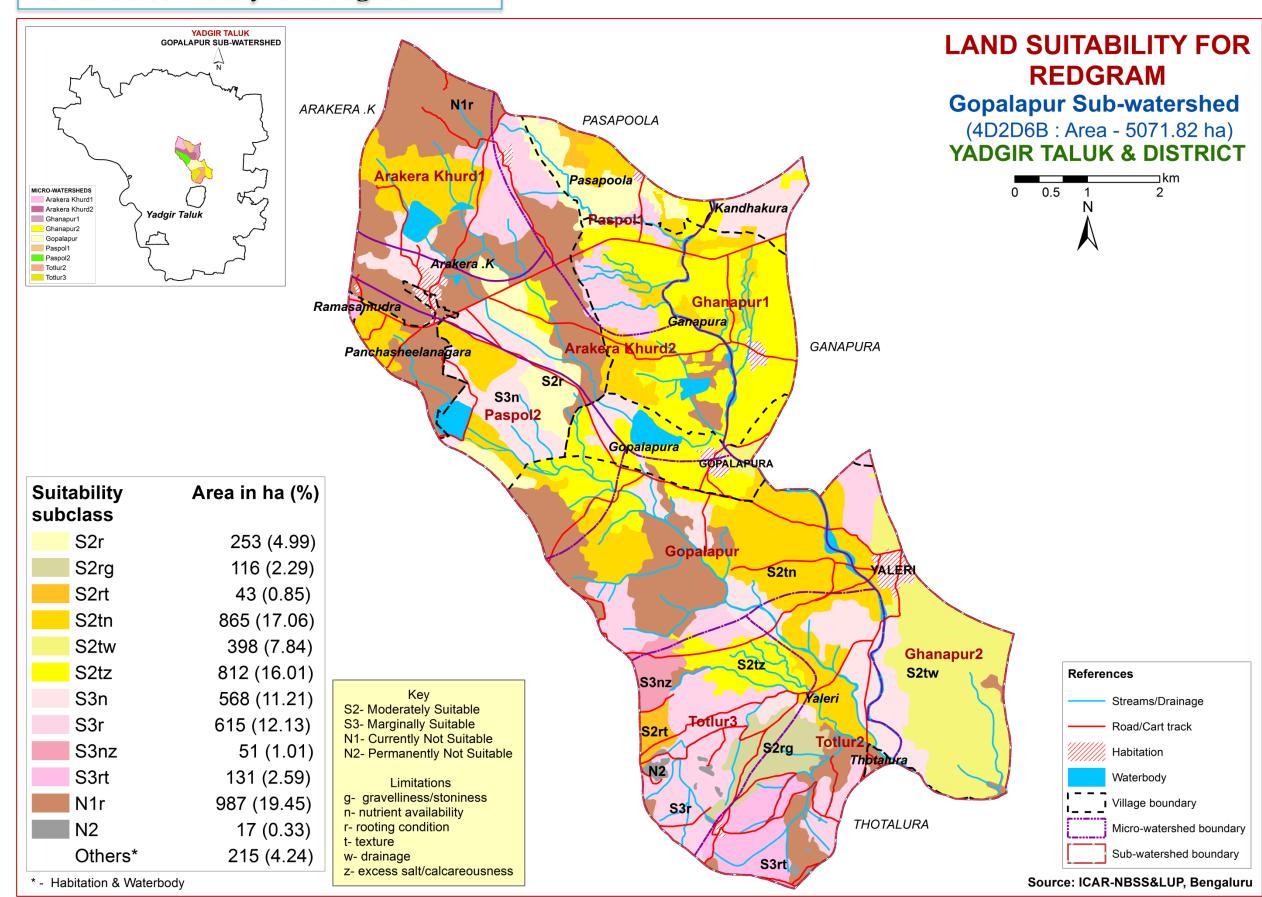
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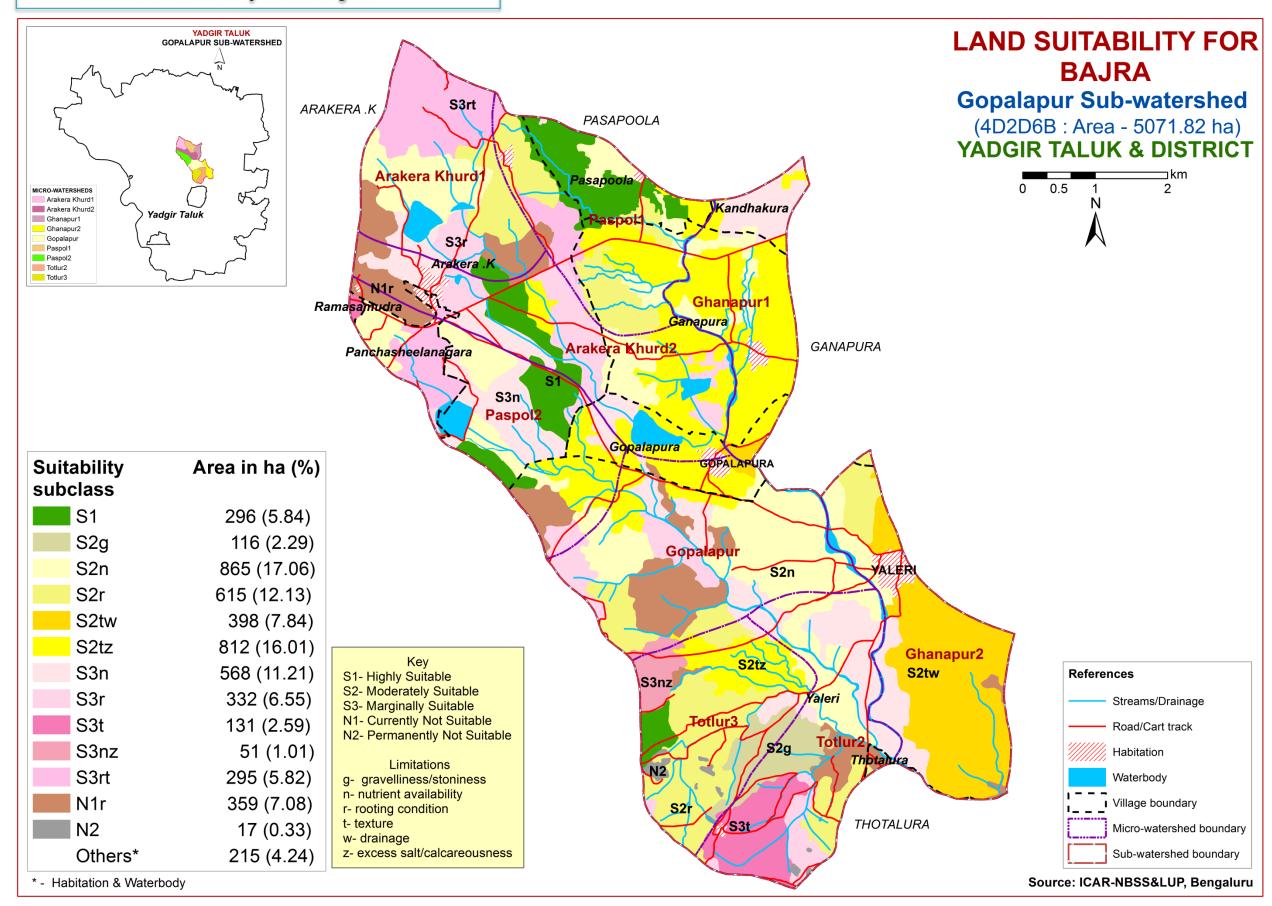
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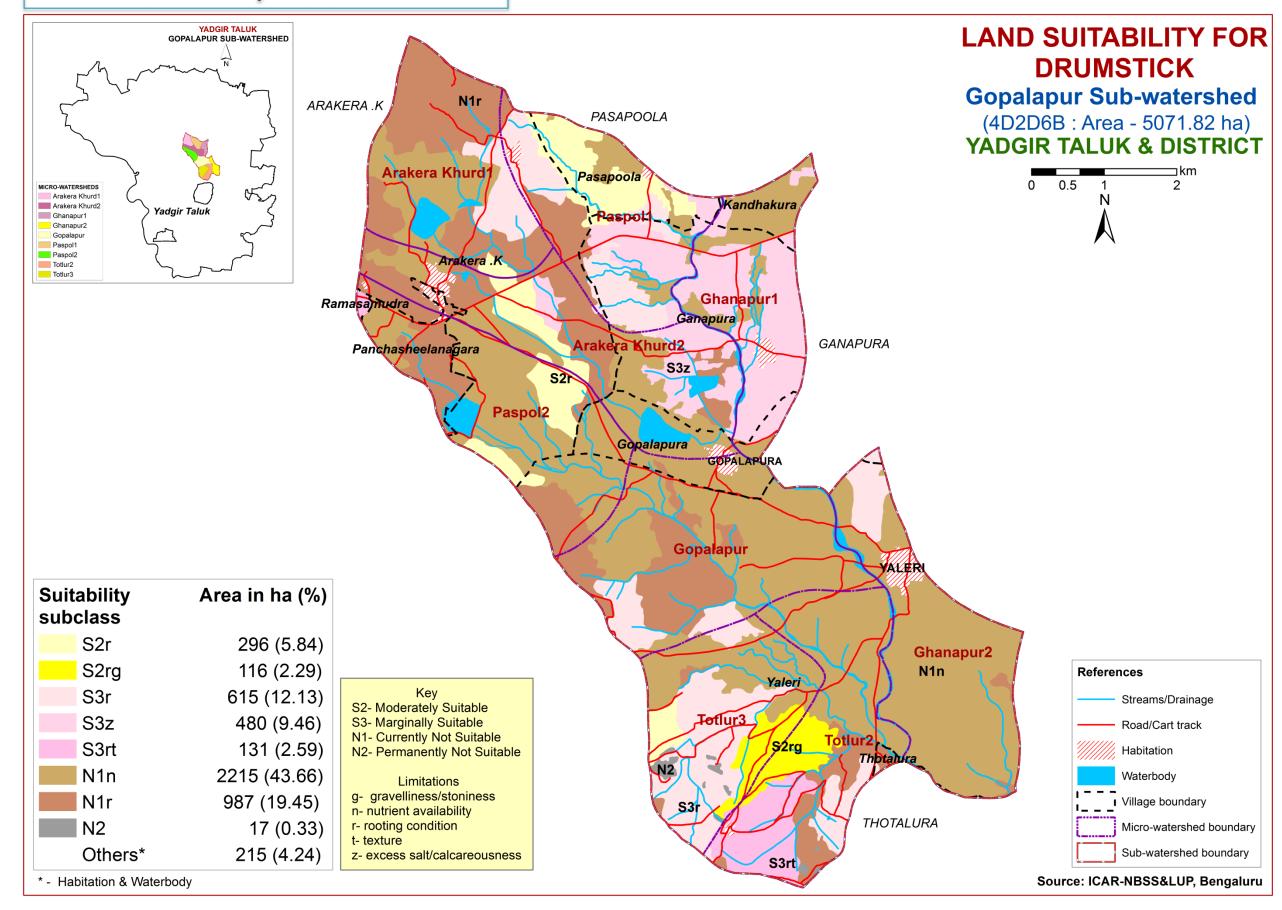
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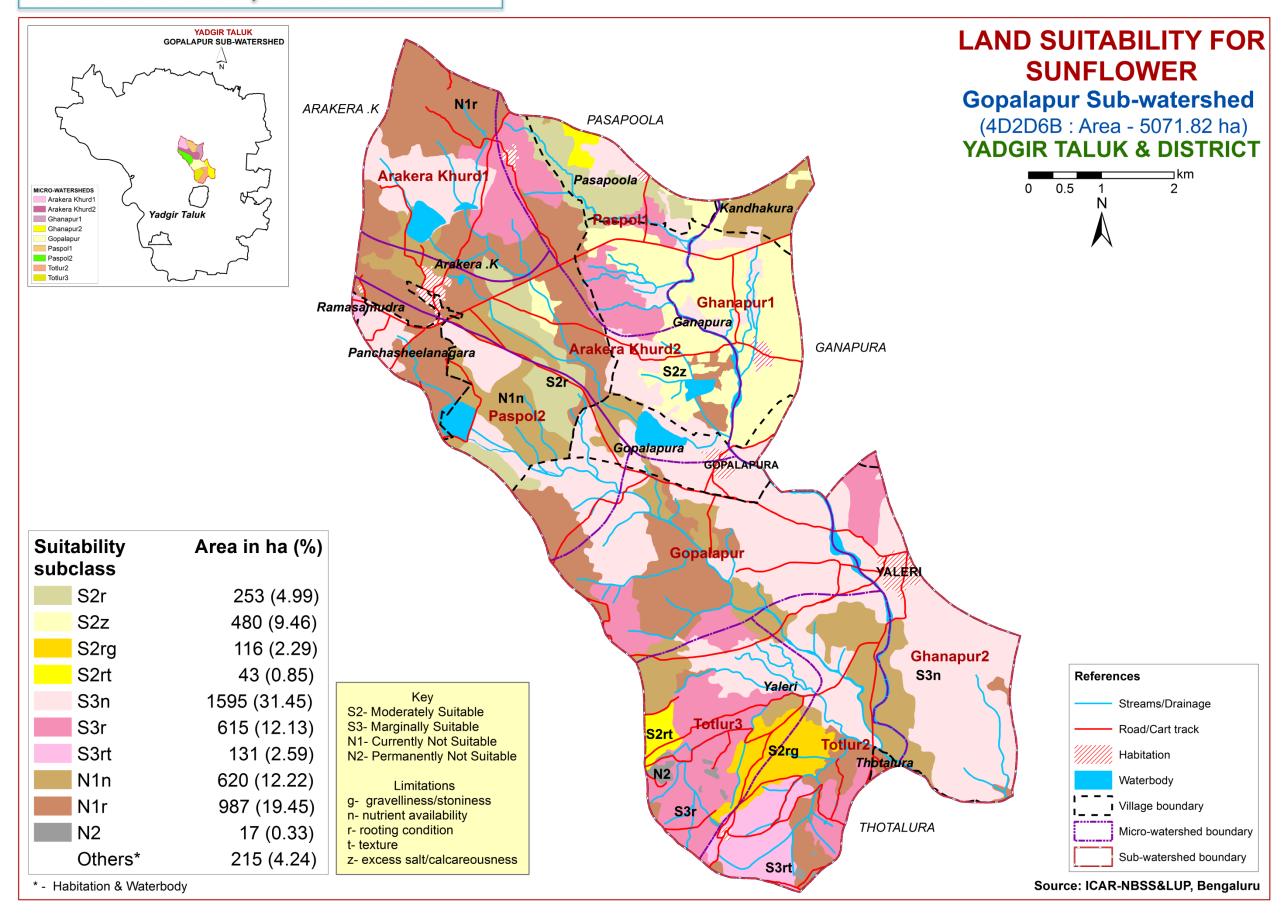
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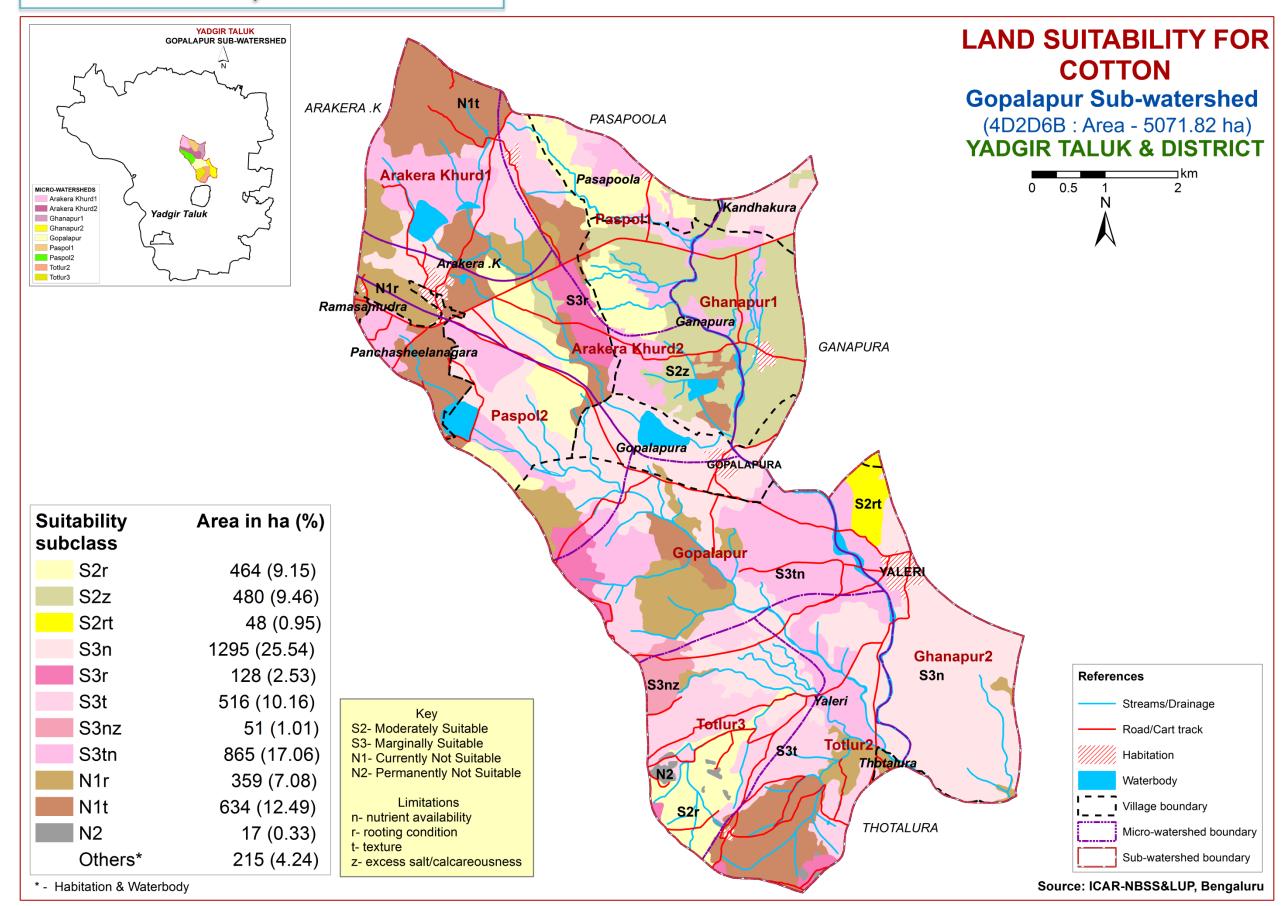
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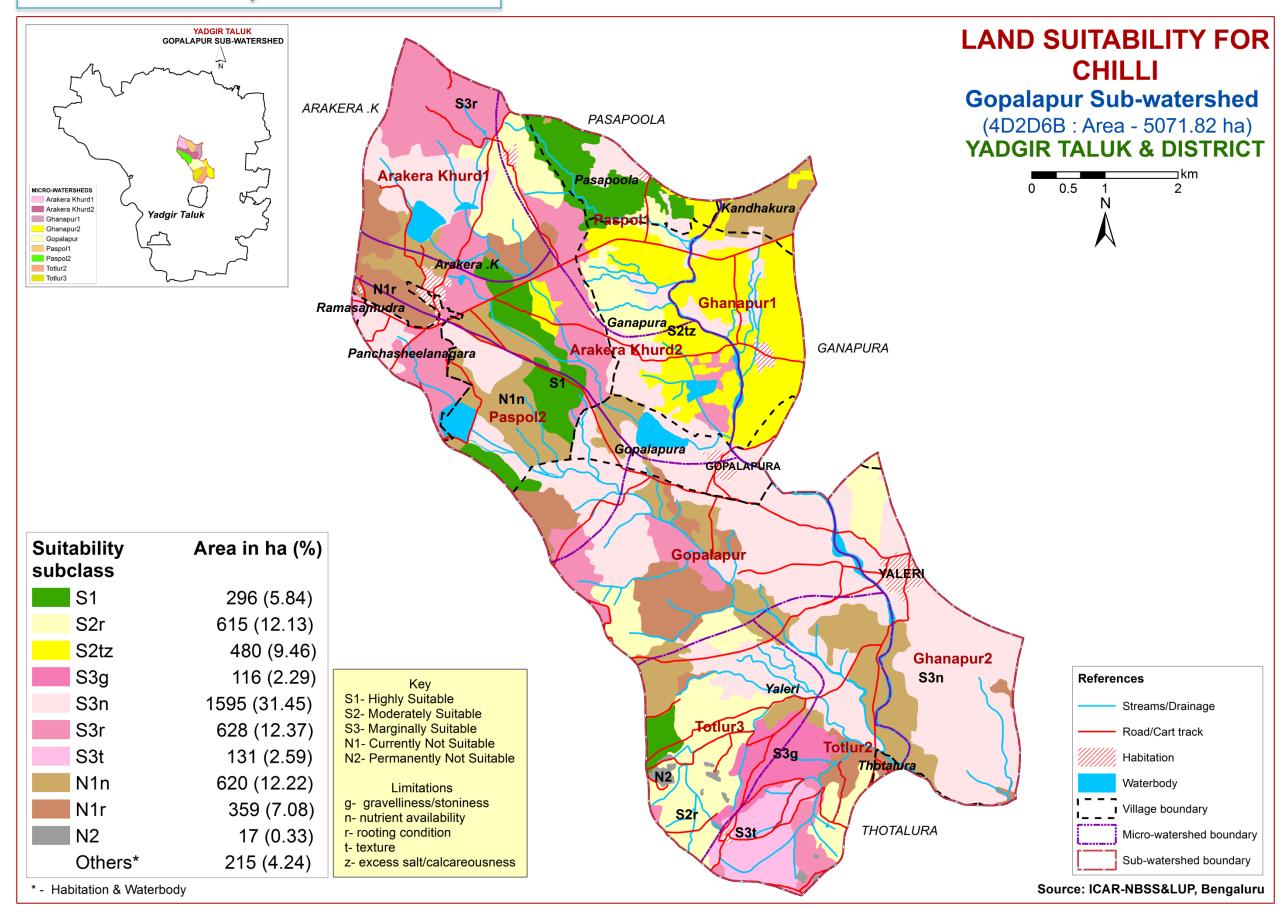
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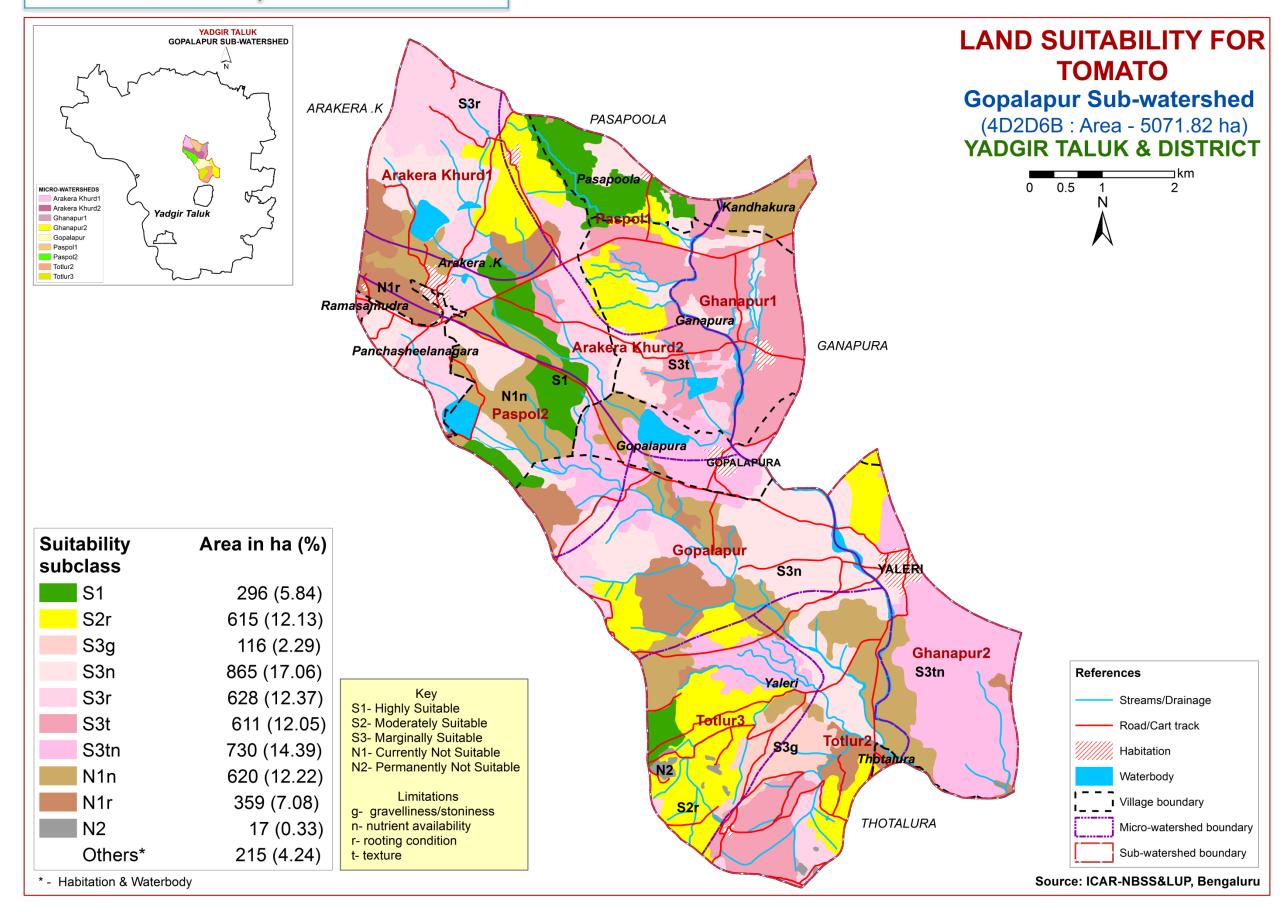
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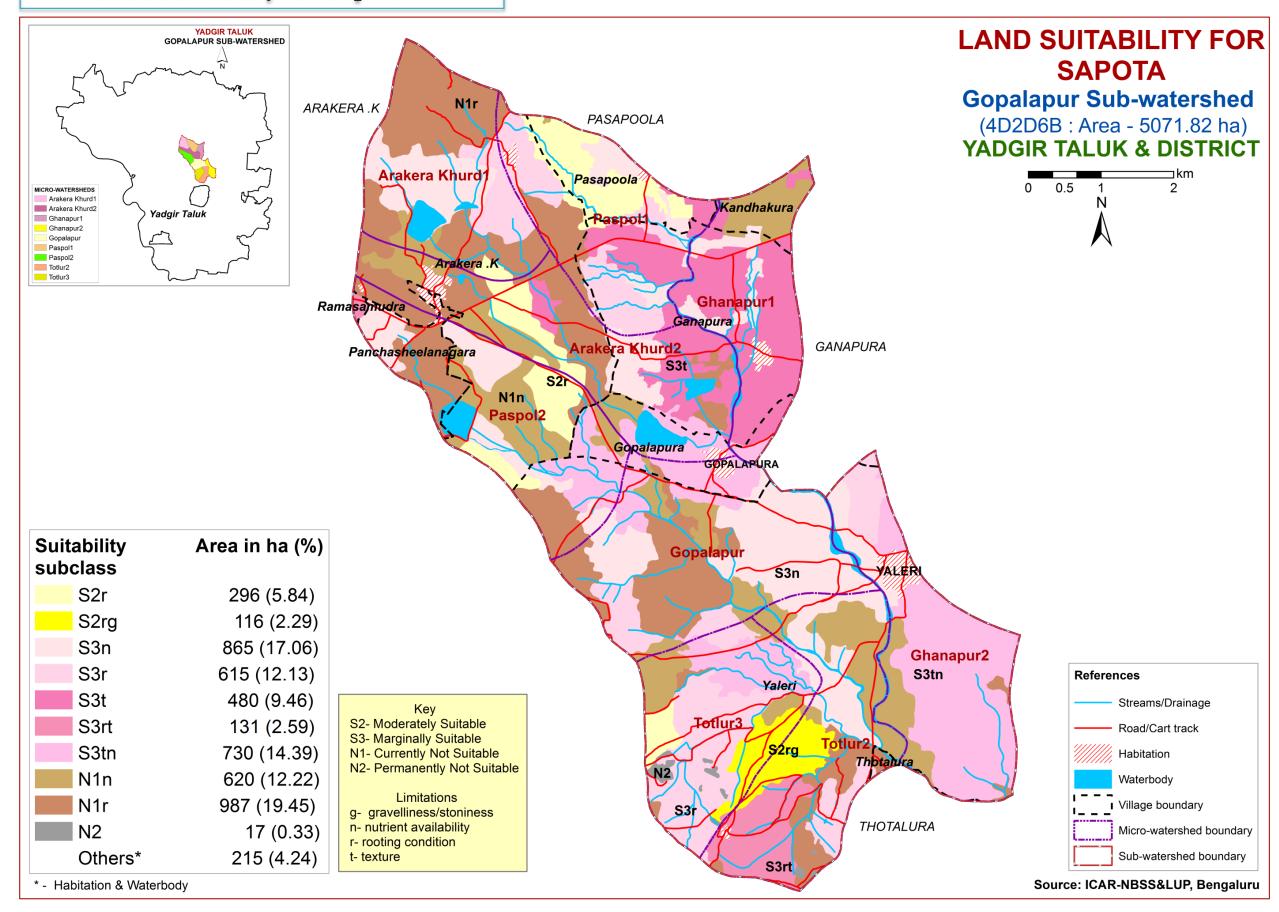
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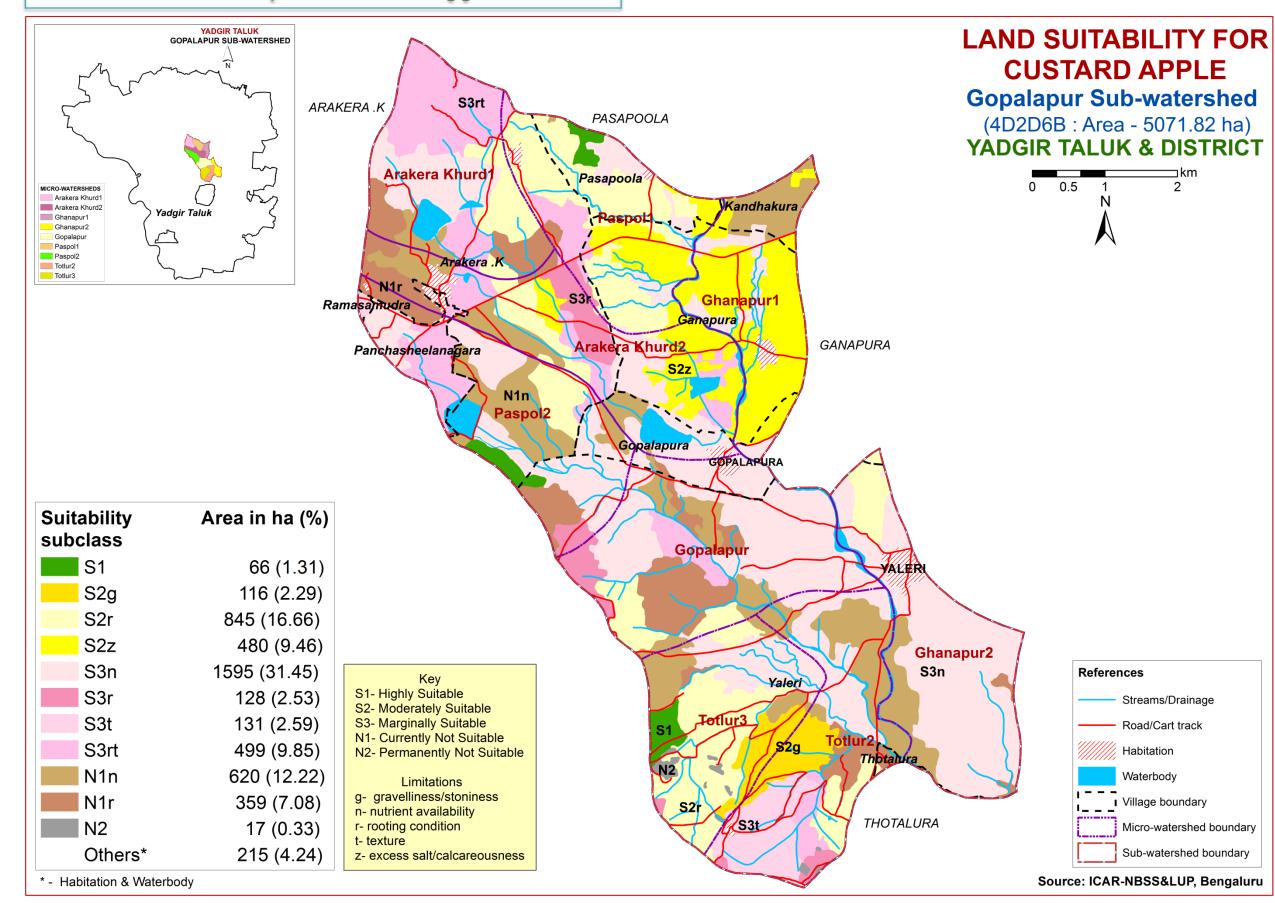
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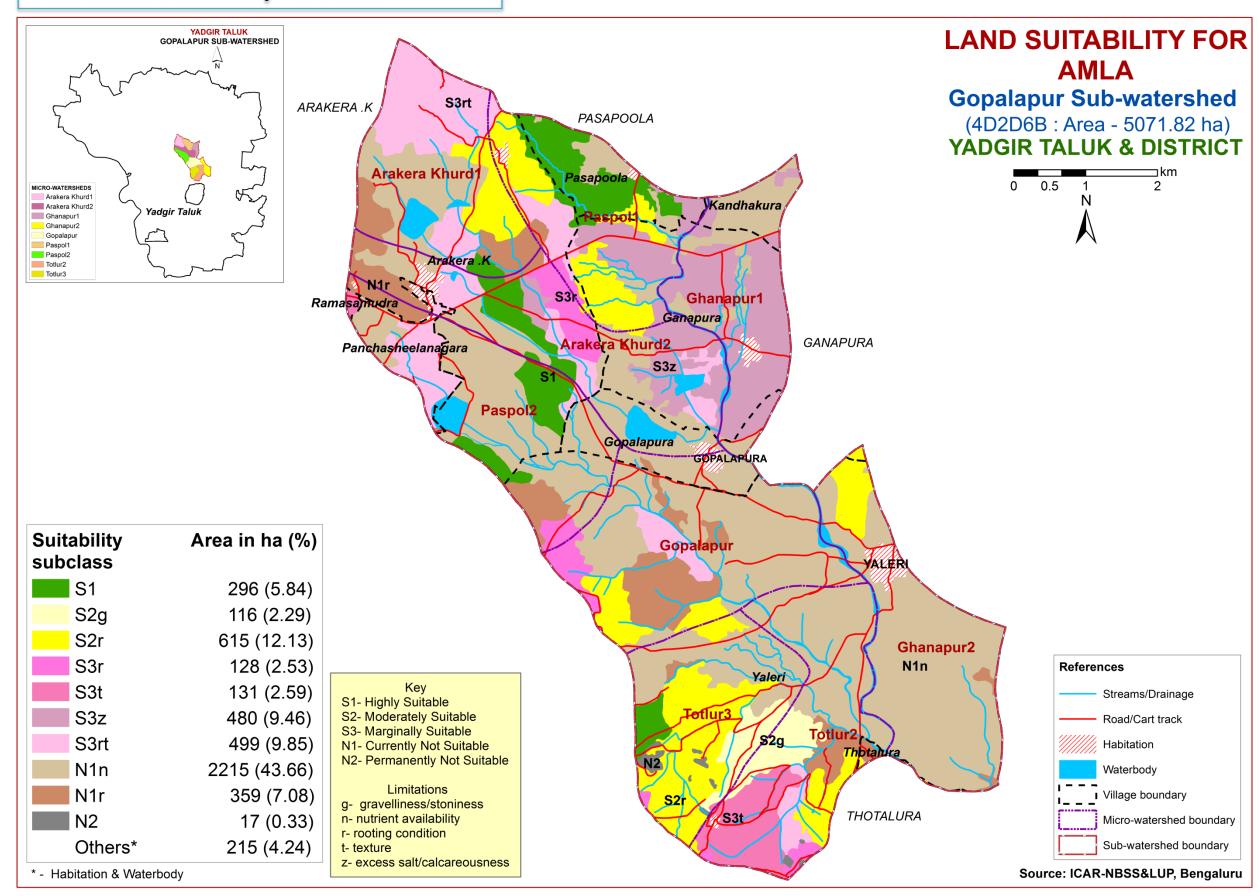
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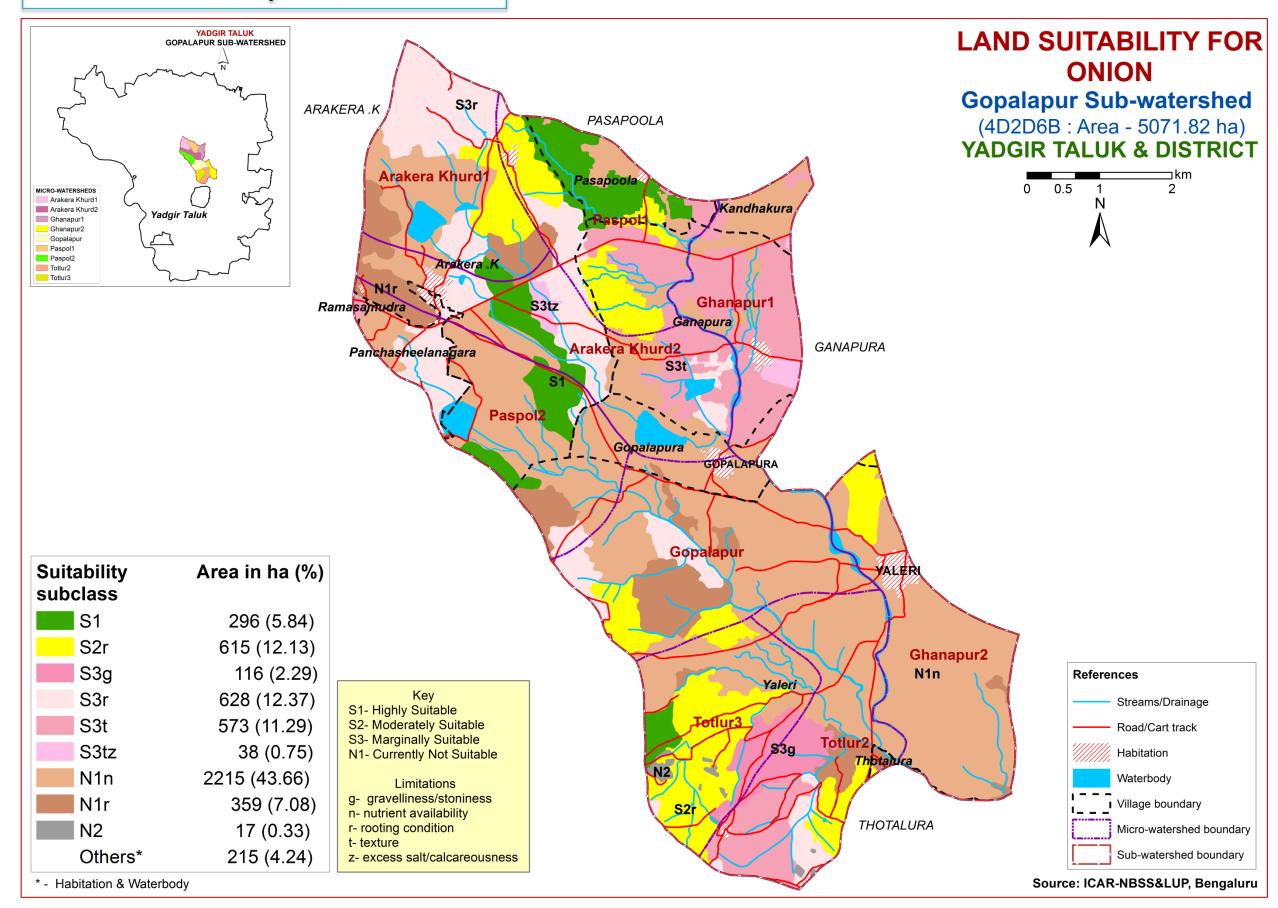
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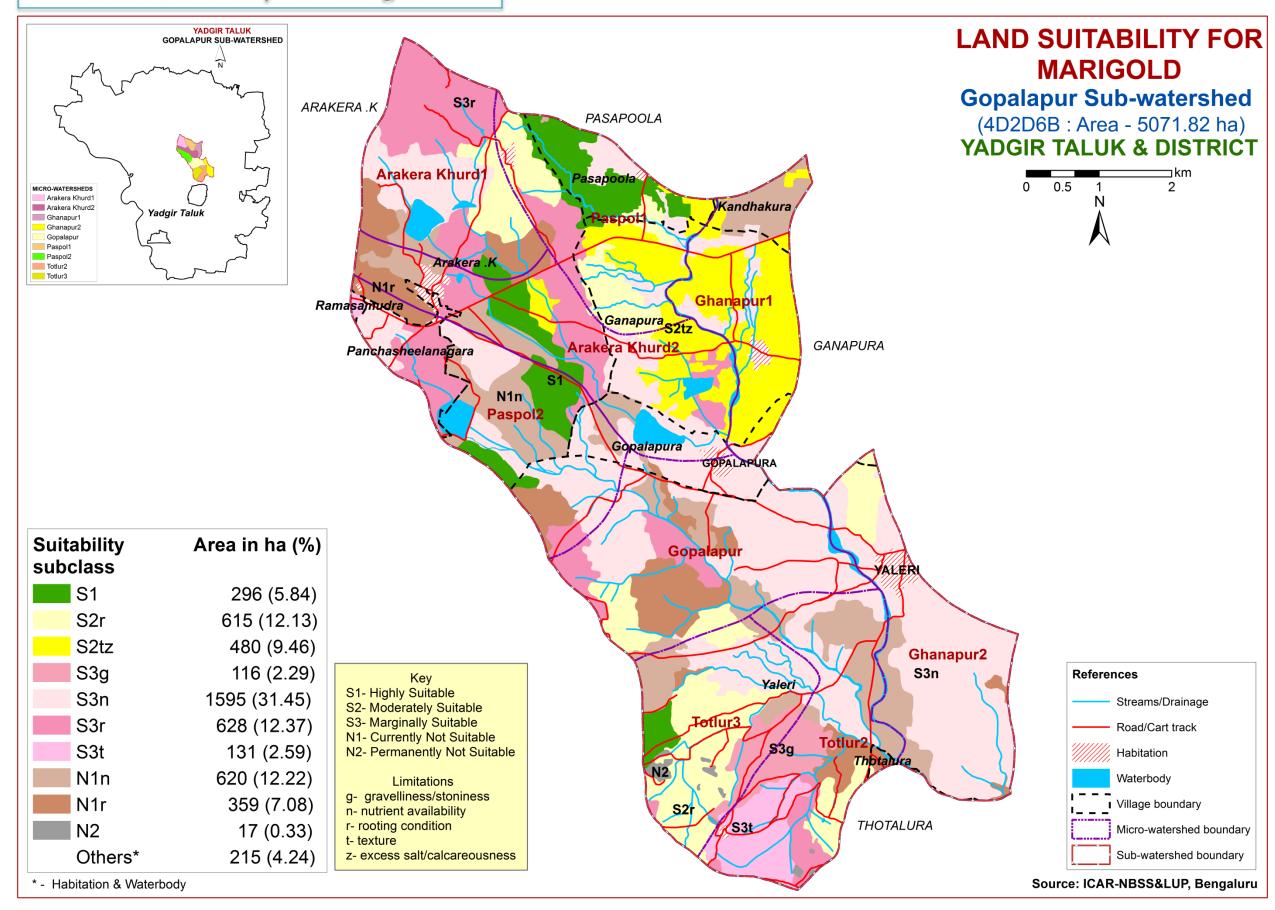
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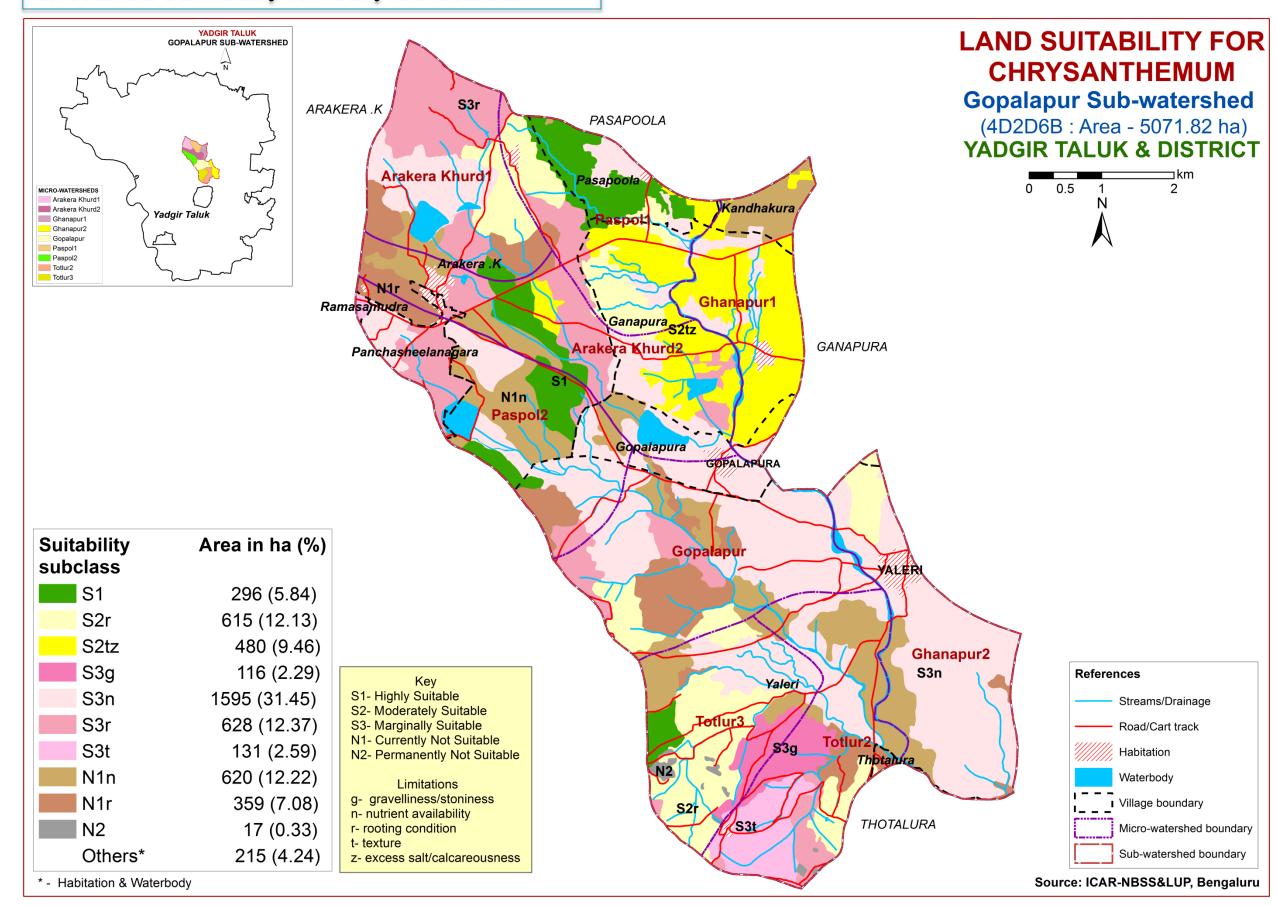
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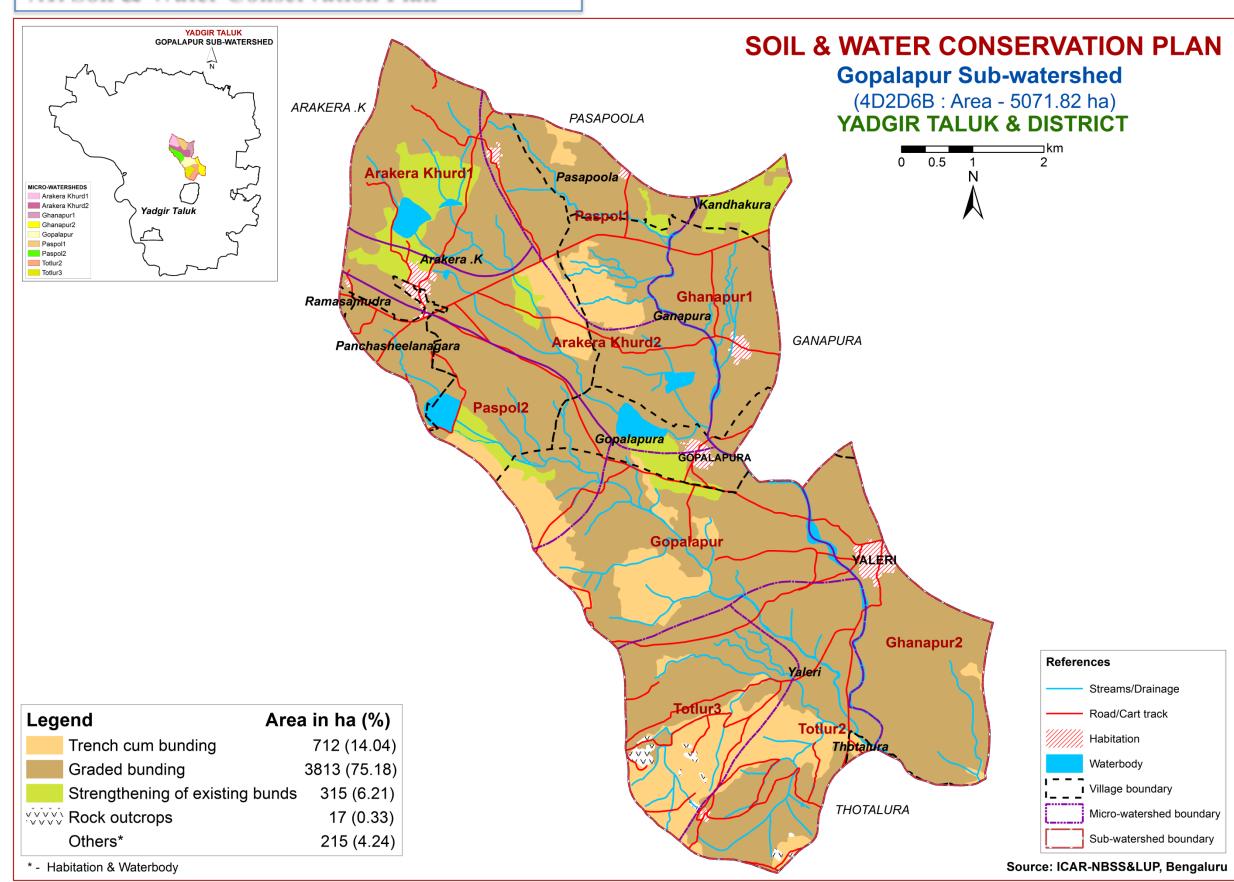


6.15. Land Suitability for Chrysanthemum



7. Soil and Water Conservation Measures

7.1. Soil & Water Conservation Plan



8. Table. Proposed Crop Plan for Gopalapur Sub-watershed, Balichakra Hobli, Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District based on soil-site—crop suitability Assessment

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Soil Map Units	_	_	Suitable Interventions
-	Commercial crops	(Rainfed/Irrigated)	
167.ANRcA1	-	Agri-Silvi-Pasture Ber, Aonla, Acacia sp.	Application of gypsum, iron pyrites
		Dhaincha, Rhodes grass, Para grass	and elemental sulphur. Addition of
		,Bermuda grass	farm yard manures, green manures
			and providing subsurface drainage
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	Groundnut, Red gram, Bajra		
			Mulching, suitable soil and water
Ciay sons)		Vegetables: Tomato, Onion, Bhendi, Chilli,	conservation practices
		Brinjal, Drumstick, Coriander	
		Flowers: Marigold, Chrysanthemum	
138.HGNmB1	Sorghum, Maize, Bajra	Agri-Silvi-Pasture Ber, Aonla, Acacia sp.	Application of gypsum, iron pyrites
95.HGNmB2		Dhaincha, Rhodes grass, Para grass	and elemental sulphur. Addition of
86.KDRhA1			farm yard manures, green manures
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LMU.No	Soil Map Units	Field Crops/ Commercial crops	Horticulture Crops (Rainfed/Irrigated)	Suitable Interventions
4	62.BMNmB2 32HSLcB2 33.HSLiB2 163.NGPmA1 49.NGPmB2 128.SHTcB2 (Moderately deep to very deep, black calcareous sandy clay to clay soils)	Maize, sorghum, Sunflower, Cotton, Red gram, Bengalgram, Bajra	Fruit crops: Lime, Musambi, Custard apple, Pomegranate Vegetables: Chilli, Bhendi Flowers: Marigold, Chrysanthemum	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
5	39.KBDbB3 (Moderately deep, red gravelly sandy clay loam soils)	Groundnut, Bajra, Horse gram, Castor, Mulberry	_	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practises (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
6	20.JNKcB2 21.JNKcB2g1 22.JNKiB2 (Moderately shallow, sandy clay loam soils)	Maize, sorghum Groundnut, Bajra		Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
7	124.SBRbB3,125.SBRhB2 (Moderately shallow, loamy sand soils)	-	1 -	Application of FYM, Bio fertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
8	28.YLRbB3 31.YLRiB2 (Moderately shallow, red clay soils)	Maize, sorghum Groundnut, Bajra, Cotton		Application of FYM, Bio fertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices

LMU.No	Soil Map Units	Field Crops /Commercial crops	Horticulture Crops (Rainfed/Irrigated)	Suitable Interventions
9	76.BLDmB2 (Moderately shallow, clay loam soils)	Maize, sorghum, Groundnut, Cotton, Bajra	Fruit crops: Amla, Custard apple Vegetables: Tomato, Chilli, Onion, Bhendi Flowers: Marigold, Chrysanthemum	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
10	2.BDLbB2,4.BDLhB2 162.BDLhB2g1,5.BDLiB2 118.BDPcB2,120.BDPhB2 1.BDPiB2 119.BDPiB3 156.HTKbB2 161HTKbB2g1 153.KKRbB2g1 8.VNKbB2g1 122VNKcB3 10.VNKiB2 (Shallow to very shallow soils)	-	, , ,	Use of short duration varieties, sowing across the slope and split application of nitrogen fertilizers

PART - B

Hydrological Inventory of Gopalapur Sub-watershed, Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District, Karnataka for Watershed Planning and Development



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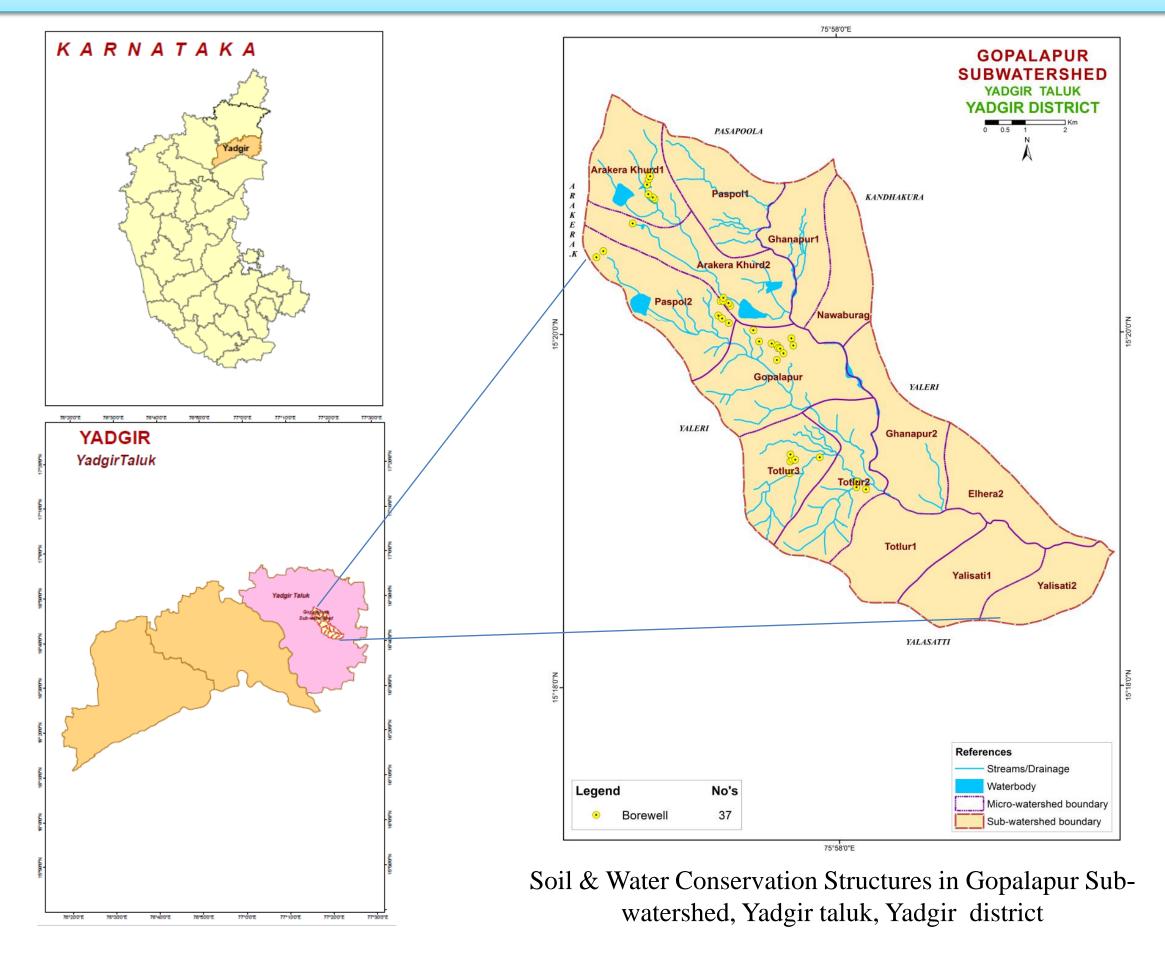
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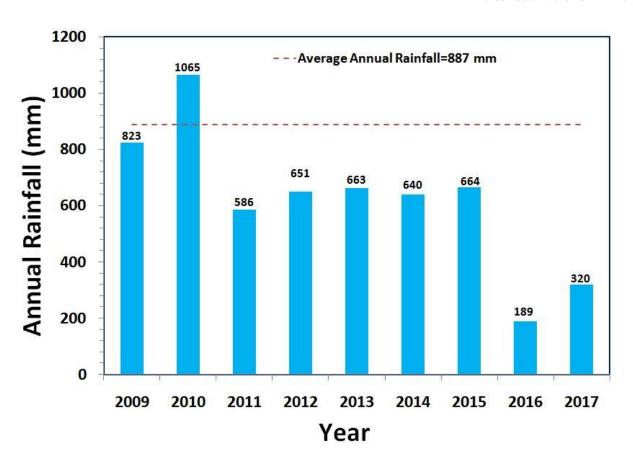
INTRODUCTION

- The inventory and documentation of spatial and temporal changes in hydrological components of Gopalapur sub-watershed (4D2D6B) in Yadgir taluk, Yadgir district, has been undertaken for integrated planning, development and management at the level of soil mapping units.
- ➤ Gopalapur sub-watershed (Yadgir taluk, Yadgir district) is located between 16⁰41'23" 16⁰47'26" North latitudes and 77⁰15'36" –77⁰20'39" East longitudes, covering an area of about 7369 ha.
- This sub-watershed encompasses of 14 MWs namely, Elhera-2 (4D2D6B2d), Gopalapur (4D2D6B1e), Ghanapur-2 (4D2D6B2c), Arakera Khurd-1 (4D2D6B1a), Paspol-1 (4D2D6B1b), Ghanapur-1 (4D2D6B2a), Nawaburag (4D2D6B2b), Arakera Khurd-2 (4D2D6B1c), Paspol-2 (4D2D6B1d), Totlur-2 (4D2D6B3b), Totlur-3 (4D2D6B3a), Totlur-1 (4D2D6B3c), Yalisati-1 (4D2D6B3d) and Yalisati-2 (4D2D6B3e) micro watersheds. Land Resource Inventory (LRI) was generated for nine among the fourteen micro-watersheds.
- Average annual rainfall (1960-2014) of the Hobli (Block) pertaining to the sub-watershed is 887 mm.
- In this sub-watershed major *kharif* crops grown are Maize, Cotton, Sunflower, Groundnut, Redgram, Chilli, Soybean, Paddy and major *rabi* crops are Sorghum, Bengal gram and Bajra.
- Hydrological components namely rainfall (annual, *kharif, rabi* and summer), PET, AET, runoff, surface soil moisture, ground water status and water balance are presented.

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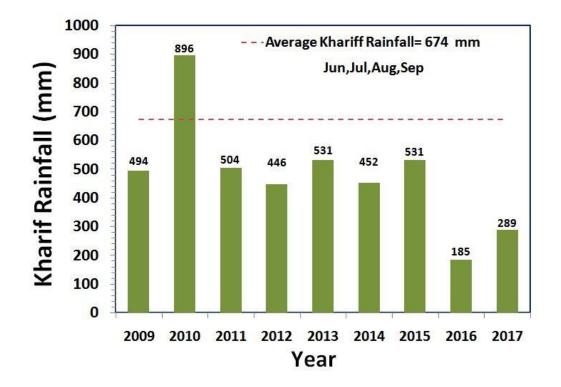


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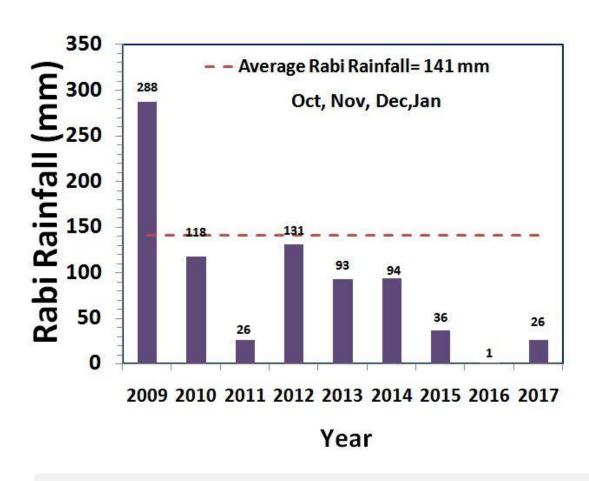


The average annual rainfall (1960-2014) recorded at the Yadgir station in Yadgir taluk of Yadgir district is 887 mm. The annual rainfall at Balichakra station (Hobli H.Q.) is presented. During the years 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 the annual rainfall was deficient by 7%, 34%, 27%, 25%, 28%, 25%, 79% and 64% respectively.

The *kharif* rainfall (Jun–Sep) is an average about 80% of the annual rainfall and it typically follows the annual rainfall patterns.

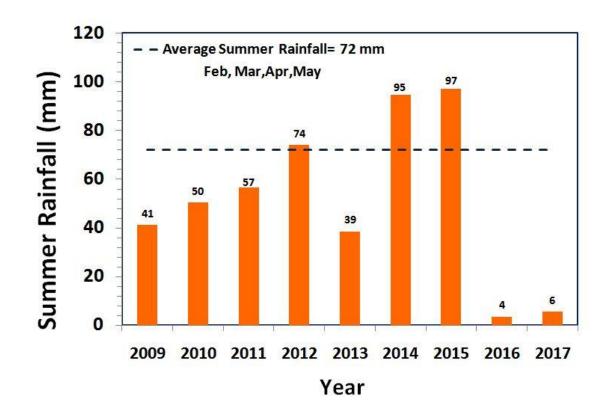


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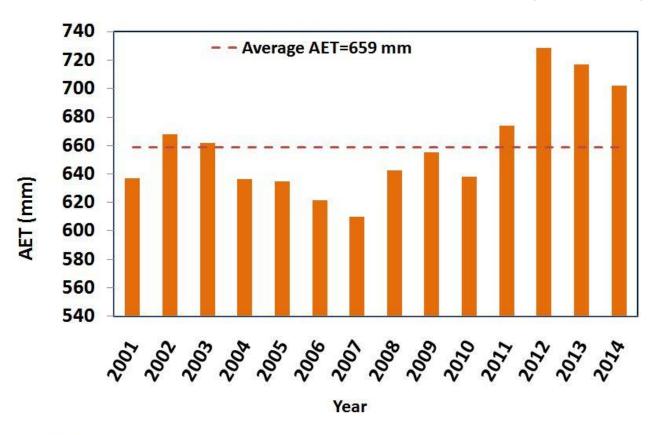


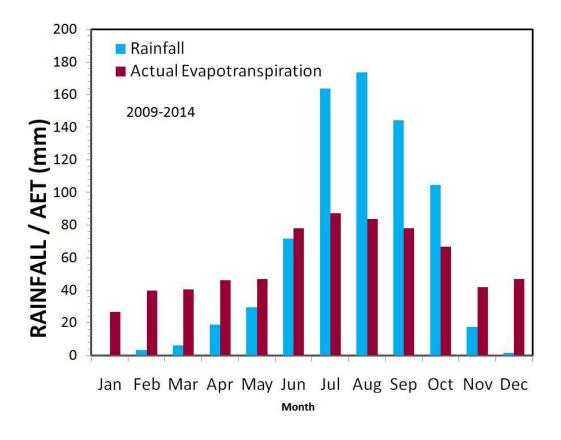
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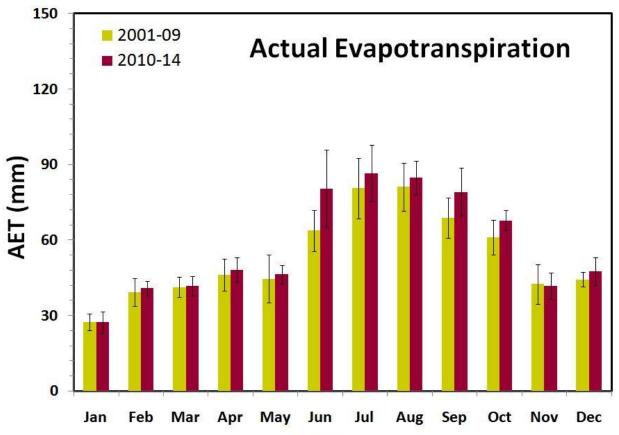
The average Rabi rainfall (Oct-Jan) is about 13% of the Average annual rainfall. During the years 2009 high *rabi* rainfall was received, where as other years showed deficient rainfall.



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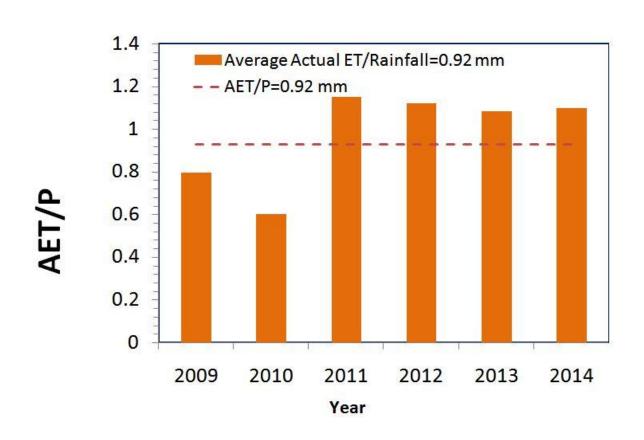


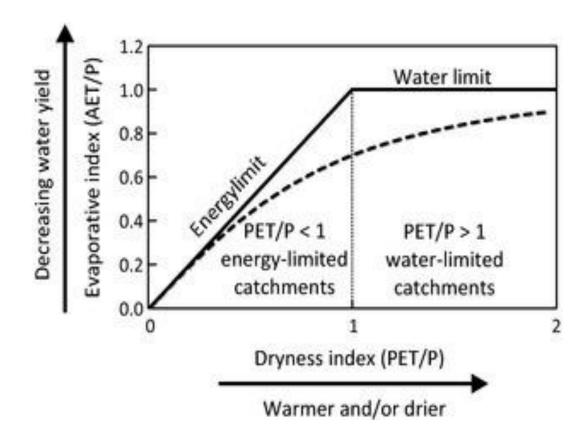


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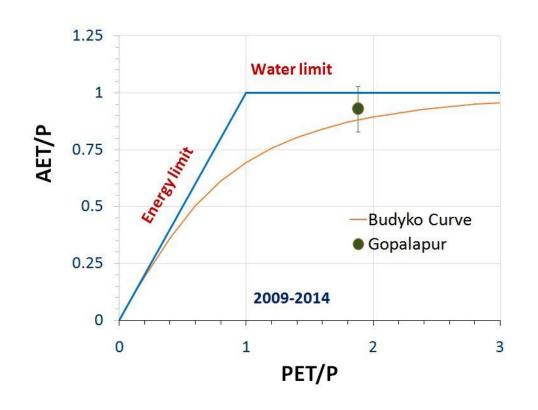
The average annual actual ET is lower than the average annual rainfall. During *kharif*, average rainfall and ET was found to be 481 mm and 328 mm respectively, whereas in *rabi* it was about 90 mm and 183 mm. In comparison to the 2001-2009, the annual ET increased by 7% during 2010-2014.

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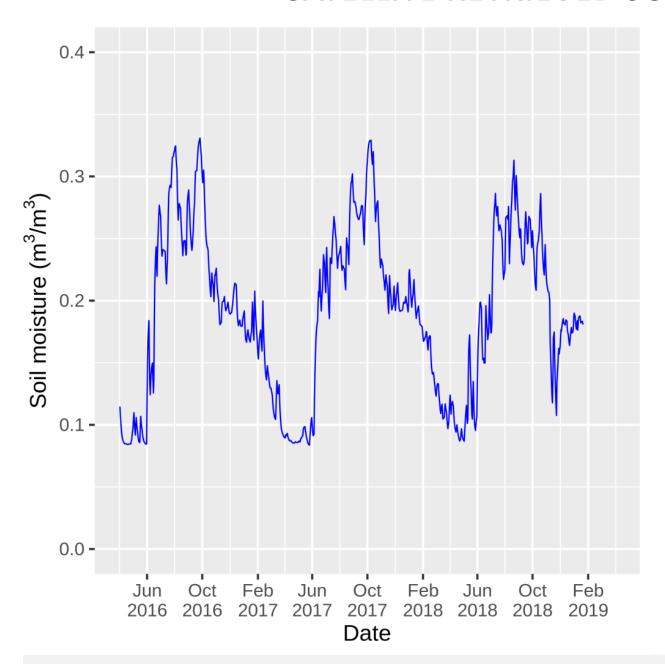




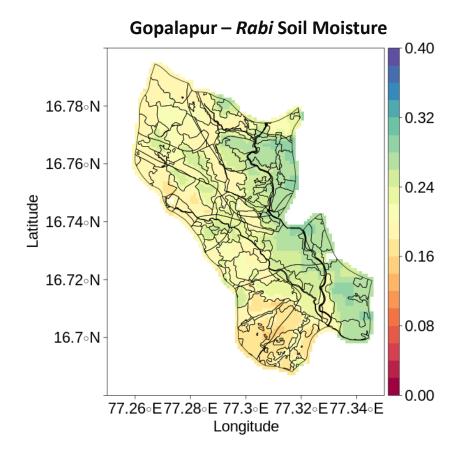
The average AET/P ratio was about 92%, which is slightly higher than the sustainable limit of about 80%. Even during extremely lower rainfall year of 2011, AET was 660 mm. This suggests the presence of water storage and utilization from other sources such as groundwater, which buffered the lower rainfall.

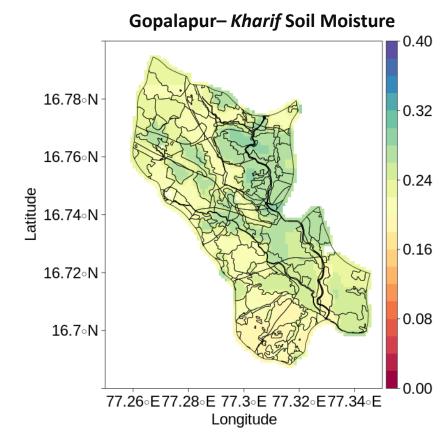


SATELLITE RETRIEVED SOIL MOISTURE

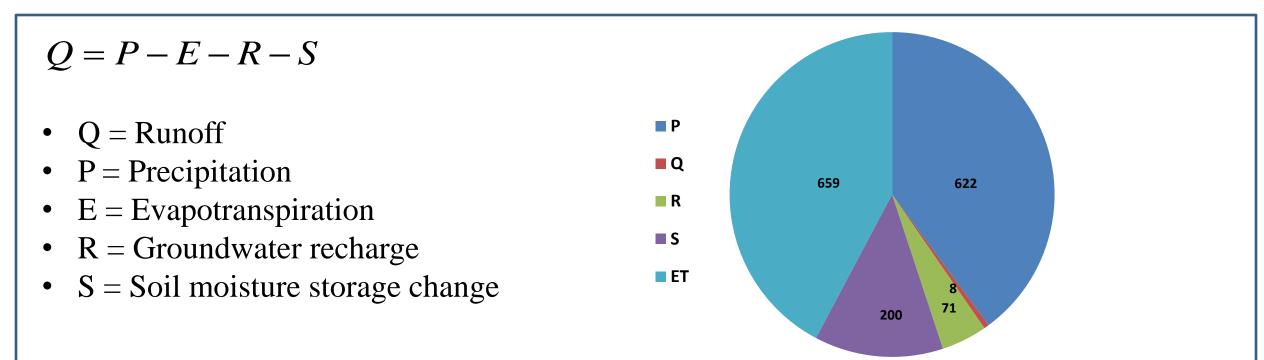


The method developed for retrieving soil moisture from multi-satellite observations allowed to map surface soil moisture behavior in the micro-watershed. The available surface moisture was varied in the range of 8-29 % in *kharif* and 18-33 % in *rabi* seasons of 2016, 11-30% in *kharif* and 23-33% in *rabi* seasons of 2017 and 31-20% in *kharif* and 19-21% in *rabi* seasons of 2018.





WATER BALANCE

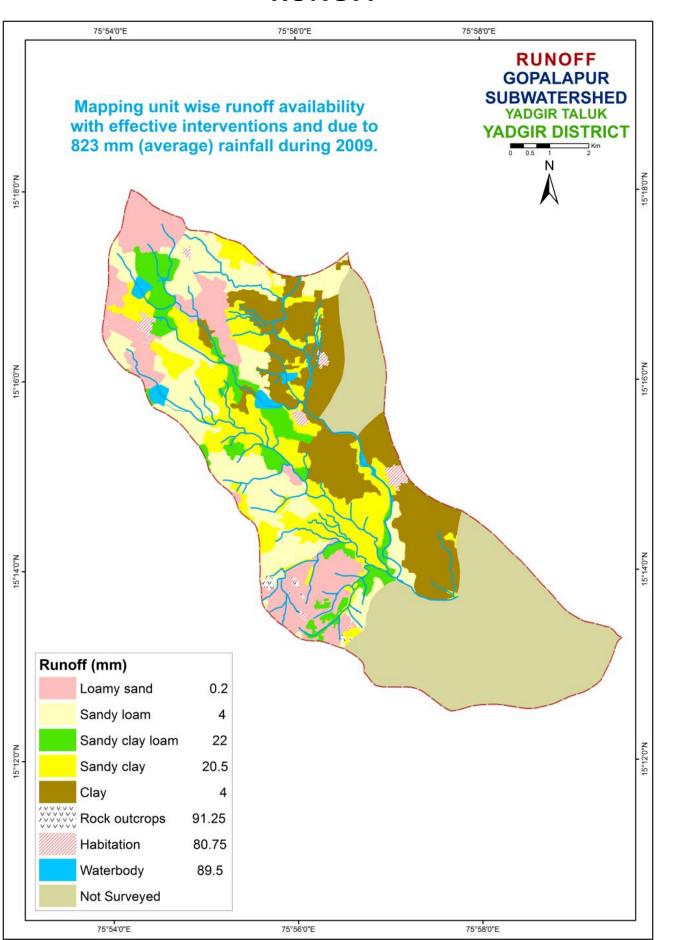


During July-September months, Precipitation is lower than Evapotranspiration, hence slight Runoff can occur in the watershed.

P = 622 mm (average of 2009-2017) ET = 659 mm R = 71 mm S = 200 mm Q = 8 mm

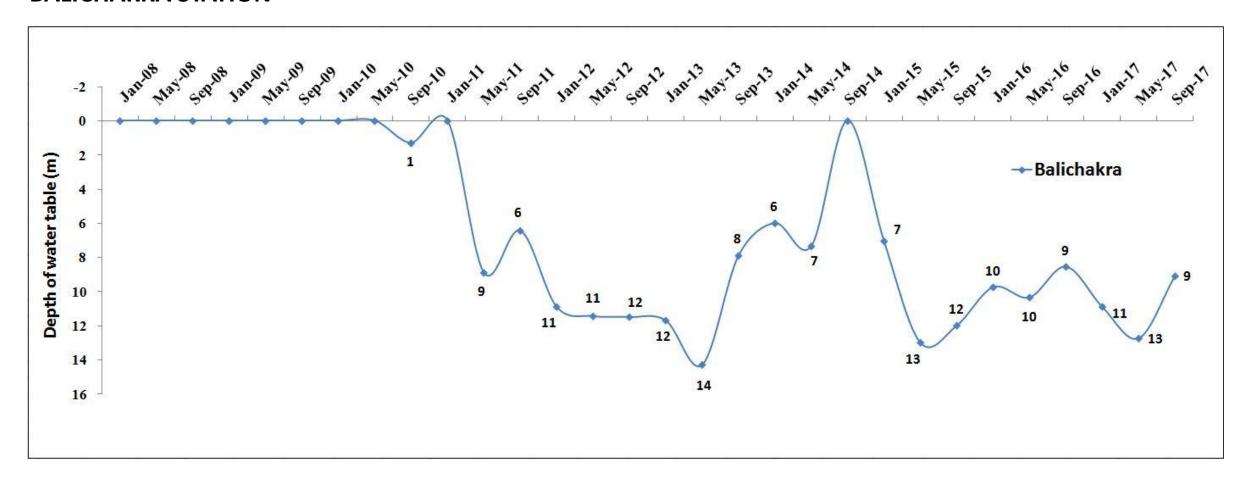
Sl. No.	Parameters	Average_ 2009 (mm)
1.	Rainfall	823
2.	Runoff availability with existing conditions	29
3.	Runoff availability with effective interventions	10
4.	Runoff allowed as environmental flow at the outlet	2
5.	Runoff excess for harvesting by construction of structures	8

RUNOFF



GROUND WATER STATUS

BALICHAKRA STATION



The total number of wells present in Gopalapur Sub-watershed as per LRI data is 37 Borewells. The groundwater level was found from the data obtained from KSNDMC for the nearest station Balichakra. The above graph depicts the groundwater levels during the years 2011-2017 was slightly varying, except September (2014)- May (2015). Deepest levels were found in 2013.

SUMMARY

- The average annual rainfall of 887 mm in the Gopalapur sub-watershed as recorded from the Balichakra station data by KSNDMC.
- ➤ 80 percent, 13 percent and 7 percent of the annual rainfall occurs during *kharif*, *rabi* and summer seasons respectively and exhibited a higher temporal variability.
- The evapotranspiration estimation tool developed indicates that the watershed water balance is in deficit. The cropping & irrigation choices are not appropriate and need to be altered to shift the deficit water balance.
- The estimated runoff available to use is 8 mm for an average annual rainfall of 622 mm (2009-2017). The utilizable groundwater is 49.7 mm (70% of 71 mm recharge estimated). This means the total available water resource combining the soil moisture store for kharif & rabi (200 mm) and utilizable runoff plus recharge is 258 (=200+8+50)
- ➤ The average actual evapotranspiration estimated in the watershed based on the current land use and irrigation practices for the kharif and rabi seasons is 511 mm. Hence the amount of water use for kharif and rabi seasons may be estimated as 639 mm (i.e 125% of AET). This demand for the two seasons is higher by 381 mm, i.e. (639-258). The AET in June-Sept months is only 59% of rainfall. Hence, there is a good opportunity to harvest the excess water through watershed management practices for utilizing during rabi season.
- The total number of wells present in Gopalapur Sub-watershed as per LRI data is 37 (37-Borewells). The groundwater level was found from the data obtained from KSNDMC for the nearest station Balichakra. Deepest levels were found in 2013.