

# **ENERGY REQUIREMENT IN AGRICULTURAL SECTOR: A LINEAR PROGRAMMING APPROACH**

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## Preface

The Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Bhopal has been running an All India Coordinated Research Project on Energy Requirement in Agricultural Sector (ERAS). The Coordinated project has 12 coordinating centres spread all over the country. Under this project a large volume of data has been collected on uses of Human Labour, Animal labour, Diesel, Electricity, Seed Rate, Farmyard Manure (FYM), Fertilizer, Chemicals, Machinery, Canal, etc. These are then converted into Mega Joule / hectare (MJ/ha) using internationally accepted conversion factors. The energy uses are also available on agricultural operations like tillage, sowing, bund making, fertilizer application, transportation, harvesting, threshing, post harvest operations, etc. Dr. Dipanker De, Project Co-ordinator, visited Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI) for consultations concerning the analysis of this large volume of data collected. This formed the basis of a very strong association of IASRI with this project. Over the time this association has grown so strong that IASRI organized a training programme for the scientists of various co-ordinating centres in the AICRP on ERAS during March 27 - April 5, 2000. The main theme of the training programme was related to the statistical techniques involved in the analysis of data collected under this project and the use of software packages to undertake the analysis of data. The topics covered were essentially regression analysis, regression diagnostics, response surface methodology, optimization techniques, linear programming, etc.

The scientists of the IASRI also participated in the Co-ordination committee meeting held at IASRI during April 2000. During the training programme, the various statistical procedures to be used for the analysis of ERAS data were discussed and finalized. It was also decided that linear programming technique would be employed to ERAS data. In this regard two approaches for defining the objective function were discussed. The first approach considers the objective function as the fitted multiple linear regression equation. This is actually the procedure that was proposed in the initial stages of discussions by IASRI and then followed up by co-ordinating centre of the project. However, a close scrutiny reveals that such an objective function may be *error prone like it may have large standard error of the estimated response, the regression coefficients may also have large standard errors, and moreover, many of the regression coefficients may not be significantly different from zero*. Therefore, it was felt that the use of such an objective function might be avoided. The second option of the objective function is that we consider the data of energy usage and productivity of each farmer as a separate activity and define the objective function and constraints. The Deputy Director General (Agricultural Engineering), ICAR, therefore, advised that IASRI and Dr. De, Project Co-ordinator, ERAS, discuss the technique threadbare and a detailed report giving various statistical analytical aspects along with solved examples on the same be submitted to him.

IASRI scientists held detailed discussion with the project Co-ordinator and his colleagues and finalized the procedure. The procedure was illustrated with the help of the data pertaining to Sihoda on wheat crop. In order to review the general applicability of the methodology, the co-ordinating unit applied this procedure on some more data sets. The results of the analysis obtained from these data sets are also included in this report. We hope that the methodology finalized in this report would be extremely useful in bringing out the meaningful information from this gold mine of data.

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## 1. Introduction

The data on various aspects of energy usage in agricultural production system is being collected from the farmers of the selected villages in different agro-climatic zones under the All India Co-ordinated Research Project on Energy Requirement in Agricultural Sector. The information is collected on uses of Human Labour, Animal labour, Diesel, Electricity, Seed Rate, Farmyard Manure (FYM), Fertilizer, Chemicals, Machinery, Canal, etc. These are then converted into Mega Joule / hectare (MJ/ha) using internationally accepted conversion factors. The energy uses are also available on agricultural operations like tillage, sowing, bund making, fertilizer application, etc. Adding the energy levels from different sources generates the total energy used for crop production that forms another factor in the study. The data available on yields are converted into per hectare basis. As of now, the data is available on yield (kg/ha or MJ/ha), energy used (MJ/ha) from various sources and total energy used (MJ/ha).

Among various uses of the data, one use is for establishing the relationship between yield and total energy; yield and other sources of energy like human labour, animal labour, diesel, electricity, FYM, fertilizers, chemical, machinery, irrigation, canal, etc.; to find out the optimum values of the various energy sources for maximum productivity. For this purpose, first order and second order response surfaces can be fitted. A pertinent question that arises here is as to whether a single regression equation (or response surface) will adequately describe the relationship for all categories of farmers under consideration or will different regressions be required for each category of farmers? A complete description of the response (the best fit of data) would be obtained by allowing each category to have its own regression equation (or response surface). This would be inefficient, however, if the responses were similar over all categories; the researcher would be estimating more parameters than necessary. On the other hand, a single regression equation (or response surface) to represent the response for all categories will not adequately characterize any one group and could be very misleading if the relationships differed among categories. It is, therefore, desirable to fit a separate response surface for each category of farms and test for homogeneity of regression equations (or response surfaces). If the regression equations are homogeneous then it is advisable to fit a common regression equation to the entire data set. Otherwise the analysis should be carried out separately for each category. The various categories of farmers may be made on the basis of irrigated or rainfed, electricity use or non-use, bullock or tractor use, based on productivity levels like low ( $\leq 2000$  Kg/ha), medium (2000 - 3250 Kg/ha), high ( $\geq 3250$  Kg/ha), etc. or based on the ratio of total energy to yield (energy-yield ratio) like high ( $< 3.50$ ), medium (3.50 - 4.00), low (4.00 - 5.00), very low  $\geq 5.00$ . The choice of categorization would depend upon the purpose of analysis.

The second objective is to obtain the optimum energy levels for different sources like human energy, animal energy, diesel energy, electrical energy, FYM energy, fertilizer energy, machinery, irrigation, etc. to maximize the yield. To achieve this, we require fitting at least a second order response surface. If second order response surface is a good fit, then one can obtain the co-ordinates of the stationary point by equating the first derivative of the fitted second order response surface equal to zero. The nature of the stationary point

(point of maxima, minima or a saddle point) can be established through canonical analysis. If the stationary point is a saddle point and lies within the input range, then one can explore the response surface in the vicinity of the stationary point. This exploration gives various combinations of input variables for a desired output in the vicinity of the predicted response at the stationary point. One can choose the input combination based on the practical considerations. For more details on this one may refer to **Reference Manual** for the Training Programme on "*Energy Requirement in Agricultural Sector: Analytical Techniques and Statistical Software Packages*" held at IASRI, New Delhi during March 27 - April 5, 2000.

However, using several sets of data, it has been observed that most of the time the regression coefficients are not significantly different from zero, particularly the second-degree coefficients; and/or saddle point lies outside the input range. It seems that the energy usage has not yet reached the saturation stage or plateau. In other words, the relationship of yield with energy levels of various factors appears to be linear in nature. Therefore, to obtain the levels of various inputs that maximize the yield per hectare, recourse is to be made to the use of Linear Programming (LP). In LP problem, the objective function and the constraints are very important. Therefore, one has to be cautious in defining the objective function and constraints. In the initial stages, it was thought that one should fit a multiple linear regression, and use the fitted multiple linear regression equation as an objective function and availability of the energy from different sources like human, animal, diesel, electricity, machinery, etc. as constraints. However, a close scrutiny reveals that such an objective function may be *error prone like it may have large standard error of the estimated response, the regression coefficients may also have large standard errors, and moreover, many of the regression coefficients may not be significantly different from zero*. Therefore, the use of such an objective function is to be avoided. The second option of the objective function is that we consider the data of energy usage and productivity of each farmer as a separate activity and define the objective function and constraints in Section 2.

## 2. Linear Programming Approach

In this section, we shall describe the procedure of defining the objective function and constraints for obtaining the optimum solution [yield or production maximization (average energy use basis, improved practice basis, energy minimization, etc.)] for the Energy Requirement in the Agricultural Sector Data. We explain the problem of yield maximization in section 2.1. The problems of production maximization and energy minimization can be handled in a similar fashion and have also been explained in this section.

### 2.1 Yield Maximization

Let  $X_i$  denote the area allocated according to the energy usage of activity  $i$  in hectares and  $Y_i$  denote the yield (kg/ha) from the activity  $i$ . Then the objective function is:

$$\text{maximize yield} = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i X_i \quad (2.1)$$

subject to constraints

$$(1) \quad H_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n h_i X_i \leq H_2$$

where  $h_i$  = human energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$H_1$  = Lower bound on human energy available per activity

$H_2$  = Upper bound on human energy available per activity

$$(2) \quad A_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i \leq A_2$$

where  $a_i$  = animal energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$A_1$  = Lower bound on animal energy available per activity

$A_2$  = Upper bound on animal energy available per activity

$$(3) \quad D_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n d_i X_i \leq D_2$$

where  $d_i$  = Diesel energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$D_1$  = Lower bound on diesel energy available per activity

$D_2$  = Upper bound on diesel energy available per activity

$$(4) \quad E_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n e_i X_i \leq E_2$$

where  $e_i$  = electricity energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$E_1$  = Lower bound on electricity energy available per activity

$E_2$  = Upper bound on electricity energy available per activity

$$(5) \quad S_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n s_i X_i \leq S_2$$

where  $s_i$  = seed energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$S_1$  = Lower bound on seed energy available per activity

$S_2$  = Upper bound on seed energy available per activity

$$(6) \quad F_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i X_i \leq F_2$$

where  $f_i$  = fertilizer energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$F_1$  = Lower bound on fertilizer energy available per activity

$F_2$  = Upper bound on fertilizer energy available per activity

$$(7) \quad M_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m_i X_i \leq M_2$$

where  $m_i$  = machine energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$M_1$  = Lower bound on machine energy available per activity

$M_2$  = Upper bound on machine energy available per activity

$$(8) \quad C_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n c_i X_i \leq C_2$$

where  $c_i$  = chemical energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$C_1$  = Lower bound on chemical energy available per activity

$C_2$  = Upper bound on chemical energy available per activity

$$(9) \quad FY_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n fy_i X_i \leq FY_2$$

where  $fy_i$  = Farm yard manure energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$FY_1$  = Lower bound on Farm yard manure energy available per activity

$FY_2$  = Upper bound on Farm yard manure energy available per activity

$$(10) \quad CL_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n cl_i X_i \leq CL_2$$

where  $cl_i$  = Canal energy level for activity  $i$ , MJ/ha

$CL_1$  = Lower bound on Canal energy available per activity

$CL_2$  = Upper bound on Canal energy available per activity

$$(11) \quad T_1 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n t_i X_i \leq T_2$$

where  $t_i$  = total energy consumed by activity  $i$  in MJ/ha

$T_1$  = Lower bound on total energy available per activity in MJ/ha

$T_2$  = Upper bound on total energy available per activity in MJ/ha

It may be worthwhile mentioning here that the upper bound on total energy should not exceed the sum of upper bounds on all other constraints. Similarly, the lower bound on total energy should not be less than the sum of lower bounds on all other energy sources.

Similarly one may define some more constraints on other sources of energy depending upon the requirement of the situation, if available, and use in the activities. Besides the energy sources, one may also define the constraints on the energy available for different agricultural operations or any other set as required. One can see that for  $X_1 = 1, X_2 = X_3 = \dots = X_n = 0$ , we get  $Y_1$  and the solution is same as the energy usage by that activity. Hence, one can see that the objective function has logical interpretation. One has to define one more constraint

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 1$$



This ensures that we are interested in maximization of yield per hectare basis and giving equal weight to each of the activities.

In this procedure, average consumption of different energy levels can always be taken as upper bounds on different energy sources like human, animal, diesel, electricity, machinery, fertilizer, farm yard manure, chemical, total energy, etc. It is important here that the number of activities or decision variable included in the basis will be less than or equal to the number of constraints in it. When no explicit lower bounds are specified, LP assumes that the lower bounds are zero.

Once we get the solution for  $X_i$ 's, say  $X_i^*$ 's one can get the values of objective function (*i.e.* the value of the maximum yield) as

$$\text{Optimum Yield} = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i X_i^* \quad (2.2)$$

The usage of various energy sources can be obtained using the expressions

$$\text{Human Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Animal Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Diesel Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Electrical energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Seed Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Fertilizer Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Machine Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Chemical Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Farmyard manure energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n fy_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Canal Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n cl_i X_i^*$$

$$\text{Total Energy} = \sum_{i=1}^n t_i X_i^*$$

We know that  $t_i = h_i + a_i + d_i + e_i + s_i + f_i + m_i + c_i + fy_i + cl_i$ , therefore, one can see that the sum of the energy usage from different sources shall be equal to the total energy usage.

**Note 2.1:** For each of the activities, the data pertaining to various agricultural operations or any other subset can also be used in the similar fashion to get the optimum energy required operation wise. For example, we have the data on bund making, say  $(bm)_i$  where  $(bm)_i$  is the energy used for bund making by the  $i^{th}$  activity ;  $i=1, \dots, n$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^n (bm)_i X_i^*$  gives the optimum energy required for bund making.

## 2.2 Illustration

In this section, we shall illustrate the Linear programming approach described in Section 2.1 using the data pertaining to Sihoda for wheat crop. In this data set, there were 96 farmers out of which 17 were marginal, 32 were small, 32 were medium and 15 were large farmers. The average usage of different energy sources (MJ/ha) category wise, overall and average yield (kg/ha) obtained are given in Table1.

**Table 1: Average usage of different energy sources (MJ/ha) category wise, overall and average yield (kg/ha)**

	Marginal	Small	Medium	Large	Combined
Human	889.53	779.19	884.59	934.93	858.20
Animal	0	0	0	0	0
Diesel	1578.12	1638.56	1795.81	2362	1793.31
Electricity	2309.24	2118.78	2622.81	3067.40	2468.74
Seeds	1485.82	1491.81	1508.97	1483.00	1495.09
FYM	0	0	0	0	0
Fertilizer	4916.59	4752.72	5196.59	4743.33	4928.23
Machinery	260.88	262.28	289.59	394.40	291.78
Chemical	2.41	8.19	20.34	24.40	13.75
Total Energy	11442.58824	11051.53	12318.72	13009.47	11849.10
Yield	2878.12	2701.78	2800.44	2945.47	2803.97

It may be noted that all values pertaining to animal and farmyard manure energy are zero; hence, these two sources have been excluded from the further discussion in this illustration.

The data were analyzed using the values of average usage of different energy sources as upper bounds except that of yield. The activities included in the Basis along with coefficients (value) and optimum yield in different categories of farmers and on the combined data are given in Table 2.

**Table 2: Activities included in the Basis along with coefficients (value) and the optimum yield (kg/ha).**

Category	Activities included In basis	Respective values	Optimum yield (kg/ha)
Marginal	$X_1^*, X_2^*, X_{13}^*, X_{16}^*$	0.24458989, 0.16789194, 0.11616792, 0.47135035	3109.663
Small	$X_5^*, X_7^*, X_{22}^*, X_{26}^*$	0.02879975, 0.29132696, 0.47043776, 0.20943553	3202.117
Medium	$X_5^*, X_7^*, X_{17}^*, X_{23}^*, X_{26}^*$	0.09766384, 0.16979504, 0.12924683, 0.17095576, 0.43233853	3071.510
Large	$X_3^*, X_6^*, X_9^*, X_{13}^*, X_{14}^*$	0.14527934, 0.22780643, 0.09548847, 0.01934153, 0.51208423	3209.509
Combined (Overall)	$X_{16}^*, X_{24}^*, X_{39}^*, X_{43}^*$	0.20611057, 0.45002608, 0.24344999, 0.10041336	3554.845

Please note that the activity numbers are for the respective categories.

To make the exposition clear, for category 1, if we allocate 1 hectare of land as per proportions of  $X_1^*, X_2^*, X_{13}^*$  and  $X_{16}^*$ , we can get a yield of 3109.663 Kg. *This procedure helps us in identifying the farmers using energy efficiently for energy usage.* The farmers or activities included in the basis may be considered as model farmers.

The dual value usage of energy sources and range (minimum and maximum values) of energy of these sources for which the current basis remains optimal obtained for different categories of farmers and on the combined data through the dual solution of problems and right hand side ranges are given in Tables 3.1 to 3.5. For a better understanding, the complete output obtained from LP88 is given in ANNEXURE-I for category-I farmers.

**Table 3.1: Usage of energy of different sources, range of the energy within which the current basis remains optimal and respective dual values for marginal farmers**

Energy Source	Usage	Slack	Dual value	Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy
Human	889.5300	0.0000	0.91251878	863.7560	907.8518
Diesel	1502.8753	75.2447	0.00000000	1502.8750	NONE
Electricity	2282.9524	26.2876	0.00000000	2282.9520	NONE
Seeds	1425.0825	60.7375	0.00000000	1425.0830	NONE
Fertilizer	4916.5900	0.0000	0.04017164	4413.7160	5075.6620
Machinery	260.8800	0.0000	7.35269790	257.5220	263.3433
Chemical	0.0000	2.4100	0.00000000	0.0000	NONE
Total Energy	11277.9100	164.6898	0.00000000	11277.9100	NONE

The slack is the difference of the upper bound and energy usage. The energy source for which the slack is zero is binding whereas a positive value of slack denotes that the source is non-binding.

**Table 3.2: Usage of energy of different sources, range of the energy within which the current basis remains optimal and respective dual values for small farmers**

Energy Source	Usage	Slack	Dual value	Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy
Human	779.1880	0.0000	0.889220	774.2742	808.1363
Diesel	1638.5600	0.0000	0.857028	1635.1340	1663.4620
Electricity	1954.3670	164.4128	0.000000	1954.3670	NONE
Seeds	1383.1270	108.6828	0.000000	1383.1270	NONE
Fertilizer	4560.5740	192.1458	0.000000	4560.5740	NONE
Machinery	262.2800	0.0000	6.378872	257.1926	262.7490
Chemical	4.3666	3.8234	0.000000	4.3666	NONE
Total Energy	10582.4600	469.0368	0.000000	10582.4600	NONE

**Table 3.3: Usage of energy of different sources, range of the energy within which the current basis remains optimal and respective dual values for medium farmers**

Energy Source	Usage	Slack	Dual value	Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy
Human	829.9713	54.6227	0.000000	829.9713	NONE
Diesel	1793.7090	2.1011	0.000000	1793.7090	NONE
Electricity	2622.8100	0.0000	0.218673	2618.9300	2710.7390
Seeds	1508.9700	0.0000	0.423494	1501.4150	1542.0760
Fertilizer	5196.5900	0.0000	0.026668	5167.8620	5264.2730
Machinery	289.5900	0.0000	0.363549	282.2832	289.7291
Chemical	12.6670	7.6730	0.000000	12.6670	NONE
Total Energy	12254.3100	64.3928	0.000000	12254.3100	NONE

**Table 3.4: Usage of energy of different sources, range of the energy within which the current basis remains optimal and respective dual values for large farmers**

Energy Source	Usage	Slack	Dual value	Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy
Human	883.4714	51.4616	0.000000	883.4714	NONE
Diesel	2362.0000	0.0000	0.993984	2255.5520	2496.907
Electricity	2518.1990	549.2012	0.000000	2518.1990	NONE
Seeds	1483.0000	0.0000	2.642473	1475.8370	1543.288
Fertilizer	4743.3300	0.0000	0.161821	3590.5990	5053.687
Machinery	340.9765	53.4236	0.000000	340.9765	NONE
Chemical	24.4000	0.0000	2.355349	23.0303	37.93588
Total Energy	12355.3800	654.1234	0.000000	12355.3800	NONE

**Table 3.5: Usage of energy of different sources, range of the energy within which the current basis remains optimal and respective dual values for combined data**

Energy Source	Usage	Slack	Dual value	Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy
Human	858.0000	0.0000	0.09248149	827.3821	934.4148
Diesel	1767.7151	25.5949	0.00000000	1767.7150	NONE
Electricity	2320.2176	148.5224	0.00000000	2320.2180	NONE
Seeds	1256.3131	238.7769	0.00000000	1256.3130	NONE
Fertilizer	4928.2300	0.0000	0.15839703	4607.0040	5160.3140
Machinery	291.7800	0.0000	9.69329430	278.1346	296.6512
Chemical	6.3004	7.4496	0.00000000	6.3004	NONE
Total Energy	11428.5560	420.5439	0.00000000	11428.5600	NONE

In the dual problem solution, the dual value indicates the extent to which the value of the objective function will change with a unit change in the corresponding energy source, given that the current optimal basis remains feasible. For example, in case of marginal farmers the dual value of human is 0.91251878, meaning thereby that by increasing the availability of resource (Human) by one unit, the yield increases by 0.91251878 per unit increase in human provided the human value lies between 863.75604 - 907.85178. Similarly the dual value of machinery is 7.3526979 indicating that the change in value of yield will be 7.3526979 Kg/ha for a unit change in the value of machinery provided the energy from the machinery sources lies between 257.52147 - 263.34333 MJ/ha and provided the current optimal basis remains the same.

The above solutions have been obtained for the upper bounds on the constraints as the average usage for that particular source of energy. However, one may change these bounds on the basis of their availability and obtain the optimum yield for that particular availability situation. This may be applicable to any of the energy sources under examination.

**Remark 2.2.1:** One may be interested in maximizing the production rather than the yield maximization. For this problem the LP model remains the same as that of yield maximization except that the upper bounds on various constraints should be given as total availability of the energy source wise in place of averages. In this one may give the equality bound on the area as the area available with that category. However, a caution is needed that the constraints on the energy sources are to be proportioned as the total availability and area under that category. For example in Category I (marginal farmers), there are 17 farmers, the total availability of energy sources is for 17 hectare. One may convert them for availability of 13 hectares by multiplying the total availability by (13/17). The optimum production obtainable through LP solution is 13 times the solution obtained for yield maximization. The energy usage of different sources is also 13 times that of the yield maximization. Hence, the two problems are related.

Therefore, we can say that one can solve either a yield maximization problem or production maximization problem.

**Remark 2.2.2:** One may be interested in maximization of total returns in place of yield. For this purpose yield is multiplied by the price of the crop, similarly the energy consumption with respect to different sources is multiplied by their respective values. The LP problem can be defined on these cost values similar to the one defined above for yield maximization and energy minimization. It is important to note here that the solution remains the same except the multiplicities in the data. However, if the economic values change from farmer to farmer in the data set, then the solution may change.

### **Maximization using both upper and lower bounds**

We have also tried the maximization of yield by giving lower and upper bounds to the availability of various energy sources as given by the AICRP on ERAS. The bounds are given as under

<b>Source</b>	<b>Lower Bound</b>	<b>Upper Bound</b>
Human	857.98	958.00
Diesel	1789.58	2622.40
Electricity	1848.43	2464.57
Seeds	1499.91	1838.00
Fertiliser	4915.44	5493.00
Machinery	291.25	406.50
Chemical	13.75	13.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>11216.34</b>	<b>13796.22</b>

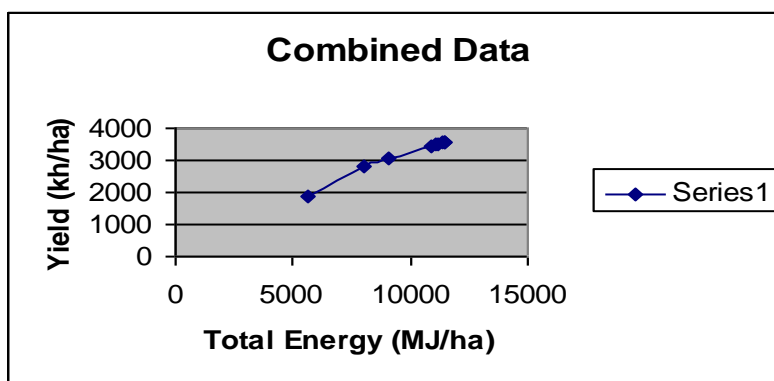
The total is the sum of all the upper bounds. To give lower and upper bounds, it is desired that the particular source of energy is defined in two rows and one row is used for lower bound and another for upper bound. The results obtained are given in ANNEXURE-II.

### **2.3 Parameterization**

For performing the parametric programming, we utilized the data on combined file. We started with an upper bound on Total Energy as 11849.1 MJ/ha (the average availability) and obtained the usage, the minimum and maximum values for total energy for which the current basis remains optimal, the optimum yield at this usage. Then, we change the upper bound on the total energy as the value of minimum total energy and obtained the results. The process is continued till the range in the two successive steps becomes same or an infeasible solution is attained. The solutions obtained are given in the following tables.

Upper Bound Defined on Total Energy	Usage of Total Energy	Range for which Current Basis remains optimal		Yield (Kg/ha)
		Minimum Energy	Maximum Energy	
11849.10	11428.556	11428.556	None	3554.845
11428.50	11428.500	11408.424	11428.556	3554.837
11408.40	11408.400	11204.756	11408.424	3552.009
11204.70	11204.700	11088.585	11204.756	3521.662
11088.50	11088.500	10872.176	11088.585	3503.948
10872.10	10872.100	9081.131	10872.176	3463.534
9081.13	9081.130	8065.756	9081.131	3065.822
8065.75	8065.750	5615.000	8065.756	2831.351
5615.00	5615.000	5615.000	8065.756	1853.000

The graphs of Total input Energy (MJ/ha) and Yield (kg/ha) for the above are given as below:



One can see from parameterization that if the usage goes down to the level of 9081.13 MJ/ha from 11428.556 MJ/ha the yield level goes down to 3065.82 Kg/ha from 3554.85 Kg/ha i.e. a loss of 489.03 Kg/ha with a saving of 2347.43 Mj/ha of energy, which shall be sufficient enough for about 0.25 ha of extra land that may give rise to extra 750 Kg/ha. Therefore, if it is not possible to provide the optimum level of energy to each of the farmers, then this saving can result into a benefit to the society.

The technique of parameterization as discussed above on total energy can also be used for any other source of energy.

In order to review the general applicability of the methodology developed, some more data sets on wheat and soybean were analyzed using What's Best Software. The analysis was carried out on the actual data sets as well as the simulated data sets. The simulation was done by making use of the results on maximum obtainable yield in the area with recommended application rates of seeds and fertilizers obtained in the Cropping Systems Research. These results are discussed in Sections 3 and 4.

### 3. Wheat Cultivation in Kanaria in M.P.

In this section, we make use the data of wheat cultivation in village Kanaria in M.P (collected by JNKVV Centre) for two years 1988 and 1998. This will enable us to see the effect of change in cultivation practices. In both these data sets outlier(s) were detected and removed before application of LP.

#### (A) Wheat, 1988

The data pertains to 110 farmers out of whom 84 farmers used bullock alone for farm operations and 26 farmers used both bullocks and tractor. All 110 farms were irrigated. Since cultivation practices differ in bullock and mixed farms, they were segregated into two groups.

As discussed in Section 2, for an initial examination, the average use of each of the energy sources is considered as upper limit of the constraints. This gives an insight to the extent to which the farms operated in terms of energy use. The results obtained are the following:

**Bullock farm ,  
irrigated**

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	ELECT	SEED	FERT	MACH	Total Energy (MJ/ ha)	Ene prod
Optimum	3028.74	968.00	1203.62	2380.00	1430.83	2592.00	320.00	8894.45	0.34
Av. Energy Use as Constraint		968.00	1264.00	2380.00	1528.00	2592.00	320.00	9052.00	0.25
Min	1235.00	627.00	761.00	240.00	1162.00	512.00	193.00	5385.00	0.15
Max	4520.00	1665.00	1963.00	4833.00	2369.00	7279.00	421.00	14548.00	0.39
Average	2296.51	967.82	1263.80	2380.05	1528.40	2592.31	319.83	9052.20	0.25

**Mixed farm, irrigated**

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FERTILI ZER	MACHINER Y	Total (MJ/ ha)	Ene prod
Optimum	3375.02	876.29	452.71	1218.00	3257.00	1533.00	3990.43	408.00	11735.43	0.29
Constraint		964.00	613.00	1218.00	3257.00	1533.00	3999.00	408.00	11992.00	0.26
Min	1757.00	637.00	38.00	273.00	1652.00	1165.00	2452.00	287.00	9234.00	0.19
Max	3706.00	1207.00	1360.00	2550.00	5144.00	1853.00	5460.00	522.00	14374.00	0.36
Average	3058.46	964.38	613.42	1217.69	3257.00	1533.46	3999.15	407.81	11992.92	0.26

Results above indicate that on average, the bullock farms used 9052.2 MJ/ha of Total energy to achieve a yield level of 2296.51 kg/ha with energy productivity of 0.25 kg/MJ. Under the given production system, the optimum energy consumption (based on actual performance of the group of farmers) of 8894.45 MJ/ha can give a yield of 3028.74 kg/ha with better energy productivity of 0.34 kg/MJ. The saving in energy has been in use of bullock and seed. For mixed farms, a similar scenario emerges with increase in energy productivity from 0.26 to 0.29 kg/MJ and increase in yield from 3058.46 to 3375.02 kg/ha. The enhanced energy-use efficiency can be achieved through better use of human and



animal energy. All other energy sources were fully utilised, indicating that scope exists for increasing their uses for higher yield.

### (B) Wheat, 1998

Data of II round survey indicate that a significant change in cultivation practices had taken place in the area. Out of 73 farmers cultivating wheat, the number of bullock farms has decreased to 6, mixed farms have grown to 55 and 12 tractor farms existed. One farm in each category did not use irrigation, and they were eliminated for the study. Irrigation was provided from tube wells by using electric motors.

Use of LP with average energy used as constraints for energy sources indicate the following:

<b>Mixed farm, irrigated</b>										
	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEEDS	FERTIL	MACH	Total Energy	Ene prod
Optimum	3710.511	837.4956	565	1051	4253	1849	4942	462.6541	13960.1497	0.266
Constraint		838	565	1051	4253	1849	4942	483	13981	0.217
Min	1235	507	60	150	1478	969	1021	267	5919	0.145
Max	4493	1799	1285	2250	6304	2608	11891	670	19986	0.286
Av	3032.218	837.5455	565.1273	1050.7273	4152.8364	1849.2	4941.5636	482.9273	13879.9273	0.218

<b>Animal farm, irrigated</b>										
	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	ELECT	SEEDS	FERTIL	MACH	Total Energy	Ene prod	
Optimum	2940.472	878.9571	1009.904	4678.9722	1959	4302.28	374.8813	13203.9950	0.223	
Constraint		910	1022	4710	1959	4356	455	13412	0.214	
Min	2718	874	910	4468	1808	3601	299	12561	0.193	
Max	3097	994	1172	5172	2204	5089	499	14763	0.233	
Av	2868	910.4	1022	4710.4	1959	4355.6	455	13412.4	0.214	

<b>Tractor farm, irrigated</b>										
	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	DIESEL	ELECTR	SEEDS	FERT	MACH	Total Energy	Ene prod	
Optimum	3287.807	592.1404	2334	4581.7416	1903	5033	463.66857	14907.5506	0.221	
Constraint	2797.818	747	2334	4954	1903	5033	493	15464	0.181	
Min	791	407	1820	1583	1271	983	313	6989	0.113	
Max	3805	1383	4194	9593	2543	8842	845	23156	0.257	
Av	2797.818	747.3636	2333.636	4954.3636	1903.3636	5033.182	492.7273	15464.6364	0.182	

The results indicate that based on the performance of the farms in each category, the average energy-use of various energy sources can provide significantly higher yield (thereby giving higher energy productivity) than the average yields obtained. This implies that energy resource management by majority of the farmers through adoption of cultivation practices can be improved upon as adopted by some of the farmers to achieve higher yield with investment of similar pattern of energy. Most of the energy sources were utilised fully, indicating that possibility exists for achieving higher yields through use of greater quantum of energy resources.

In order to examine the above possibility, an improved situation of energy-use pattern was defined by considering the following:

1. Use of recommended seed and fertiliser rate for the area
2. Use of recommended package of practices for various unit operations through use of improved implements with different power sources

The considered recommended package of practices for irrigated wheat cultivation for mixed farm in the region are as following:

Energy source	Energy used in existing situation (MJ/ha)	Energy value in improved situation (MJ/ha)	Remarks
Human	837.55	931.63	Additional 94.08 (MJ/ha) or 6 labour days for harvesting and threshing of yield obtained in improved situation
Animal	565.13	565.13	This is animal energy available with farmer and farmers are bound to use this level. Addition energy for tillage will met by the tractors
Diesel	1050.73	2115.5	Add 1567.67 MJ of diesel energy for additional 9.28 hrs of tractor for 2 tillage with disc harrow
Electricity	4152.84	4152.84	Sufficient for 3 irrigation and threshing
Seed	1849.20	1617.00	Use 110 kg seed in improved situation. Presently farmers using 126 kg seed (excess than recommended)
Fertilizer	4941.56	6709.00	Use of 100 kg N, 40 kg P, 30 kg K
Machinery	482.93	553.47	Add energy for additional 5.73 hrs tractor use

The above improved situation was used as constraints in the LP model for mixed farm. The results are as following:

### Improved situation

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEEDS	FERTIL	MACH	Total Energy	Ene prod
Improved	3957.81	873.23	532.72	1299.72	4152.84	1617.00	6709.00	526.26	15710.77	0.252
Constraint		931.63	565.13	2115.50	4152.84	1617.00	6709.00	554.00	16645.10	

Results indicate that yield of wheat crop can further be enhanced to 3957.81 kg/ha (from 3710.5 kg/ha) with additional energy input of 1750.6 MJ/ha. It would be seen that the major additional energy input is from fertiliser, human, animal, diesel, machinery energy use has been further optimised based on performance of farmers as reflected from surplus energy compared to allocation made through constraints.

### Resource Constraint Options

Option is also available to examine effects of limited availability of some of the key resources. For example, availability of animal power in general is on decreasing trend. For examining the possibility of energy resource allocations with diminishing animal energy

availability in future, we can restrict animal energy resource suitably. It is important to note that all options under examination are presumed to operate in the given situation of cultivation. Thus, when available data set has reasonably large variation in cultivation practice or in farm management, the results will be more dynamic.

Results of an example of such a situation with reducing bullock energy availability is given below:

### Improved situation

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FERT	MACH	Total Energy	Ene prod
Improved Animal	3957.81	873.23	532.72	1299.72	4152.84	1617.00	6709.00	526.26	15710.77	0.252
<20% Opt Animal	3920.73	813.99	427.00	1405.40	4152.84	1617.00	6709.00	492.72	15617.94	0.251
<30% Opt Animal	3872.71	784.05	373.00	1492.64	4152.84	1617.00	6709.00	481.74	15610.27	0.248
Average	3032.22	837.55	565.13	1050.73	4152.84	1849.20	4941.56	482.93	13879.9273	0.218

It may be seen that with decreasing bullock energy availability, diesel energy use has increased for completion of farm operations. Correspondingly human energy consumption has been decreasing with increasing use of tractors. Variation in yield is not significant due to seed and fertiliser application rates are same. Under such situation, our main interest is not on impact on yield, but energy resource allocation. Since information on physical quantities of major inputs is available in EXCEL spreadsheet, they can be retrieved easily.

### Simulated data sets

One important feature of the procedure adopted is that LP searches for best solution among the performance of the farmers available in the data set. This, in other words, means that in case maximum potential yield of the area has not been achieved by the farmers (for not using required inputs, farm operations not completed adequately, etc), or the cultivation practices adopted do not reflect the recommended ones. LP will not be able to locate such situations in data set and therefore not give corresponding solutions. Examination of various data sets has revealed that such situations do exist.

For mixed farming case, results of “Cropping Systems Research” indicating maximum obtainable yield in the area with recommended application rates of seed and fertilisers were considered. For other energy inputs, the data of the farmers were examined and energy-use patterns of most efficient farmers achieving high rate of yield was considered. Simulated data sets were accordingly prepared and used in conjunction with the data set for LP application.

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECTR	SEEDS	FERTIL	MACH	Total Energy	ene prod
I-1	4830	846.45	639.73	1058	4603.5	1900	8206	556.27	17809.95	0.271
I-2	4500	846.45	639.73	1058	4603.5	1900	7550	556.27	17153.95	0.262
I-3	4300	846.45	639.73	1058	4603.5	1900	7000	556.27	16603.95	0.259

The results of LP application is as following:

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECTR	SEEDS	FERTIL	CHINERY	Total Energy	ene prod
opt imum	4329.66	783.96	493.06	1283.79	4152.84	1900.00	8206.00	483.33	17302.97	0.250
Constraint: Full fertilizer &seed rate recommended		873.23	532.72	1299.72	4152.84	1900.00	8206.00	526.26	17490.77	
Optimum	4575.77	857.61	532.72	1299.72	5000.00	1823.65	8206.00	504.69	18224.39	0.251
Constraint: Electricity increased		873.23	532.72	1299.72	5000.00	1900.00	8206.00	526.26	18337.93	

In the first set of result, the energy resource allocations were maintained at the levels of optimum solution with improved package of practices. With use of the simulated data sets, increase in yield from 3957.81 kg/ha to 4329.66 kg/ha is obtainable with optimised energy resource allocation. Among the energy resources electricity, seed and fertiliser remained fully utilised. Maximum possible yield of 4575.77 kg/ha is possible with Increased electricity availability from 4153 MJ/ha to 5000 MJ/ha.

#### 4. Soybean cultivation in Madhya Pradesh

Soybean is the major crop cultivated in Kharif covering about 44 per cent of area under food crops in the state in Kharif season. Average yield of soybean in the state is about 1012 kg/ha. About 70 per cent of area under soybean in the country is in M.P, providing 64.4 per cent of national production.

Energy audit in 5 soybean-producing villages (Phanda, Jamburdi Hapsi, Kanadia, Berkheddi and Sonsa) conducted during 1997-1999 covered 275 farms. Majority of farms (205) use combination of bullock and tractor power (mixed farming) for cultivation. Out of the total number of farms, rainfed cultivation was undertaken in 239 farms.

Out of 205 mixed farms, 186 farmers (77.8 per cent) did not apply irrigation. These farms constitute 67.6 per cent of total number of farms surveyed, and therefore studied. The average yield of these farms was 1089 kg/ha, close to the state average. The average, maximum and minimum yields and source-wise energy consumptions of the farms are as following:

	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FYM	FERT	CHEM	MACH	TOTAL ENERGY	ene prod
Av	1089	963.595	404.2	1609.44	224.922	1353.4	166.88	1227.5	56.7676	266.486	6267.14	0.1787
Max	1977	2649	1298	4145	704	1923	1423	3514	297	543	11592	0.3099
Min	371	308	60	273	0	908	0	49	0	139	3008	0.0518

Use of electricity has been only for threshing of crop. Only 5 farms had practiced manual threshing.

#### Optimal yield with average energy use

Based on average energy use of the different energy sources, optimisation of resource use indicated that maximum yield of 1527 kg/ha can be obtained, signifying that 40.2 per cent of additional yield than the average yield can be obtained by using same quantity of energy

inputs. Since the optimisation is done based on actual performance of the sample size, it appears that the energy resource management by the majority of farmers has been sub-optimal.

Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FYM	FERT	CHEM	MACH	TOTAL ENERGY	ene prod
1527.03	974	409	1607	225	1353	135.57	1278	49.7893	267	6298.4	0.2431

Energy productivity in the process can improve from 0.179 to 0.243 kg/MJ. Operation-wise, the optimal solution does not envisage significant change in energy use pattern as compared to the average energy use.

### Use of improved package of practices

Recommended package of practices was considered for assessment of uses of various energy resources. Mixed farming poses a peculiar situation with respect to use of various farm power resources. When the situation in the state is considered, various regions are under consideration where availability of animals and tractors vary. In many parts of the state, hiring of tractor for critical operations like seedbed preparation and sowing are in practice. Experiences of field survey indicate that farms where hiring charges are paid immediately are attended on priority than those where payment is made later on. It is presumed that farms owning draught animals would prefer to use the animals to the maximum, availability of actual time for various operations being the guiding factor for selection of power source for an operation. Reported data by JNKVV centre indicates the same trend. Thus, maximum uses of available animals were considered for the operations, the balance being met by tractor operated implements. Threshing was considered to be done by electric motor operated thresher for energy efficiency. Seed and fertiliser application rates are considered as per recommendation for the state.

Operation	Practice
Summer ploughing	Animal operated bakhar
Seedbed preparation after rain	Animal cultivator/ Bakhar x 1 +Tractor duckfoot cultivator x 1
Sowing	Partly by tractor and partly by bullock seed drill (40:60)
Intercultivation	Manual
Harvesting	Manual
Threshing	Electric motor operated thresher
Transportation	Partly by tractor trailer and partly by animal cart

The optimum use of different energy resources for the improved package of practices obtained through linear programming is given below.

Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FYM	FERT	CHEM	MACH	Total Energy	ene prod
1854.7	1003.8	445	1861.1	452.576	1523.3	481.3	1665	0	365.94	7798.1	0.238

The results indicate that with 23.8 per cent increase in energy consumption from 6298.4 MJ/ha to 7798 MJ/ha, the farmers can obtain 21.5 % additional crop yield with improved cultivation practices. The optimised energy use requires 4 – 13 % higher human, animal,

seed energy. Fertiliser energy increase is about 30 %. Machinery and electricity energy use has increased for timely completion of operations.

### Simulated data for potential yield

The maximum potential yield obtainable in the State has been determined through experiments conducted under AICRP on Cropping systems Research. Results indicate variation in potential yield ranging between 1789 to 2243 kg/ha at stations located in different agro-climatic zones. Six simulated data sets were generated for each yield levels, using corresponding seed and fertiliser application rates and improved operational package of practices as indicated above. Slight variations in energy allocations were built in for better LP response.

The simulated data sets were included with the farmer data sets to optimise energy use and resource allocation for maximum potential yield of the crop.

Set No	Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FYM	FERT	CHEM	MACH	Total Energy	ene prod
S1	2243	1110	579	1028	352	1428	178	2012	178	279	7144	0.314
S2	2126	1083	771	982	310	1526	163	2426	193	270	7724	0.2752
S3	2074	1074	569	994	299	1417	163	2426	148	261	7351	0.2821
S4	2276	1039	806	1125	369	1562	178	2012	202	306	7599	0.2995
S5	1789	1063	553	968	334	1391	166	2012	166	265	6918	0.2586
S6	1832	1042	753	1125	313	1435	193	2012	205	290	7368	0.2486

Maximisation of yield for improved cultivation practices gave the following resource allocation:

Yield (kg/ha)	HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	SEED	FYM	FERT	CHEM	MACH	Total Energy	ene prod
2273.85	1155.02	750	1090.69	358.901	1495	330.06	2450	188.522	299.472	8117.7	0.2955

It may be seen that maximum yield of 2273.85 kg/ha is feasible to be obtained with investment of 8118.7 MJ/ha of energy.

As compared to optimised existing practice, animal energy use would increase by 83.4 per cent signifying better use of available renewable energy resource. As a consequence, diesel use would reduce by 32.1 per cent. The recommended fertiliser use for 48.9 per cent higher yield would entail use of 98.7 per cent additional fertiliser energy. Electricity consumption increase is for threshing additional crop harvested. Total energy use would increase by 28.9 per cent.

Fig 1. gives a graphical presentation of the various energy use scenarios discussed above. The actual energy use patterns of the farmers indicate that the farms belonging to the peak regime of the regression model (group B) had obtained average yield of 1425 kg/ha by investing average total energy of 7825 MJ/ha. Farmers falling in the two adjacent tapering sides of the regression curve (groups A,C) had lower average yields. Farms using higher total energy (group C) appear to be less managed as even with use of higher quantity of fertiliser, tillage, weeding and harvesting energy could have lower yield than group B.

### **Direct energy use**

Use patterns of direct energy resources in production agriculture is of special interest for planning purpose. Direct energy resources are used in the farms for execution of different farm operations. The trend of uses of direct energy resources have been dynamic in the country with major shift to commercial sources as electricity and diesel. With large and continuing investments by the farmers on power sources using electricity and diesel, it has become imperative to ensure timely and adequate supplies of these resources so that investments made are fully exploited. Proper uses of the energy resources are equally important for reducing wasteful uses of the scarce commodities.

Optimisation of energy resources for production agriculture, as explained above, provides an opportunity to

- assess the patterns of changes in requirements of the energy resources for different cultivation systems (business-as-usual, improved practice) at different levels of productivity
- estimate the consumption of the direct energy resources at different levels of productivity
- estimate the future requirements of different energy resources for a catchment area

Fig 2 indicates the patterns of direct, animate and direct commercial energy consumptions at different yield levels of soybean when cultivated with optimised energy resource allocations in business-as-usual and improved practices. The total direct energy consumption in business-as-usual practice would be more than the improved practice, the difference being higher at lower productivity levels. The pattern is governed by the consumption pattern of direct commercial energy.

Fig 3 represents the energy consumption pattern for improved cultivation practice. Total energy consumption increases with increase in productivity, the share of indirect energy increasing faster than that of direct energy due to nearly five times increased use of fertiliser for productivity increase from 1000 to 2250 kg/ha. Energy productivity shows a fast improvement till about yield of about 1700 kg/ha, and then slows down. Total direct energy consumption rate increases with increase in productivity, mainly due to increased consumption rate in tillage, harvesting, threshing and transportation. Energy consumption in tillage operation nearly doubles with increase in productivity from 1000 to 2250 kg/ha due to continuous shift to tractor use in order to ensure timeliness in operation.

Yield (kg/ha)	Ene prod	Source-wise energy consumption, MJ/ha				Operation-wise energy consumption, MJ/ha						
		HUMAN	ANIMAL	DIESEL	ELECT	TILLAGE	SOWING	WEEDING	SPRAYING	HARVEST	THRESH	TRANSPT
2250	0.311	1095	627	1049	356	1204	367	375	83	352	493	535
2200	0.313	1155	616	965	346	1142	361	422	78	344	482	529
2100	0.309	1155	635	896	330	1085	350	469	69	331	463	519
1900	0.300	1155	674	760	300	972	328	565	52	305	425	501
1700	0.292	1155	713	623	270	859	307	660	34	278	387	482
1500	0.283	1152	750	488	240	748	286	750	17	252	349	462
1300	0.273	1090	750	398	210	667	276	750	5	233	308	430
1100	0.262	933	690	379	180	636	285	604	0	224	265	378
1000	0.255	824	640	393	166	638	296	482	0	223	242	345

Fig 4 reflects the changing pattern of direct energy resource consumption rate with productivity. While human energy consumption averages to 1100 MJ/ha, rise in total direct energy has been mainly due to increase in diesel consumption rate.

Per cent saving in energy consumption through optimised resource allocation using present and improved cultivation practices are given below:

Energy resource		Unit	Yield, kg/ha							
			1700	1600	1500	1400	1300	1200	1100	1000
Human	Actual	man-h/ha	594.05	548.32	501.63	425.45	455.17	506.06	436.21	504.29
	Present practice, optimised	% saving			0.94	14.00	24.72	4.91	-13.92	1.46
	Improved practice, optimised	% saving	0.80	-7.47	-17.14	-34.41	-22.17	-5.17	-9.17	16.67
Animal	Actual	ani-h/ha	37.26	48.96	46.11	24.36	42.91	48.37	44.28	44.24
	Present practice, optimised	% saving			12.18	-66.26	5.64	16.29	8.54	8.46
	Improved practice, optimised	% saving	-89.50	-48.16	-61.05	-204.88	-73.04	-51.46	-54.34	-43.34
Diesel	Actual	l/ha	42.50	30.49	30.25	38.90	24.14	27.03	25.20	29.36
	Present practice, optimised	% saving			10.34	32.89	4.57	45.64	49.68	62.85
	Improved practice, optimised	% saving	73.98	67.71	71.32	79.77	70.73	76.03	73.31	76.24
Electricity	Actual	kWh/ha	19.12	19.03	22.64	25.39	25.10	23.01	23.78	35.88
	Present practice, optimised	% saving			16.71	25.72	24.85	20.10	30.28	58.73
	Improved practice, optimised	% saving	-18.55	-12.49	11.01	25.58	29.73	28.81	36.38	61.32

Optimized resource requirement for cultivation of soybean in one thousand ha in M.P at different levels of productivity through present and improved cultivation practices can be estimated as given below.



			Yield, kg/ha							
			2250	2100	2000	1800	1500	1400	1200	1000
Human	Actual	man-day,'000					62.70	53.18	63.26	63.04
	Actual optimum	man-day,'000					62.12	45.74	60.15	62.12
	Improved optimum	man-day,'000	69.83	73.66	73.66	73.66	73.45	71.48	66.53	52.53
Animal	Actual	ani pair-day,'000					2.88	1.52	3.02	2.76
	Actual optimum	ani pair-day,'000					2.53	2.53	2.53	2.53
	Improved optimum	ani pair-day,'000	3.88	3.93	4.05	4.29	4.64	4.64	4.58	3.96
Diesel	Actual	l, '000					30.25	38.90	27.03	29.36
	Actual optimum	l, '000					27.12	26.10	14.69	10.91
	Improved optimum	l, '000	18.62	15.92	14.70	12.27	8.67	7.87	6.48	6.98
Electricity	Actual	MWh					22.64	25.39	23.01	35.88
	Actual optimum	MWh					18.86	18.86	18.38	14.81
	Improved optimum	MWh	29.81	27.70	26.44	23.93	20.15	18.89	16.38	13.88

## 5. Discussion

The discussions just described pertain to the situations when the interest is in maximization of productivity given the constraints on the availability of different energy sources. This gives the energy requirements for achieving the optimum yield levels. It may be worthwhile mentioning here that the optimum yield levels are attainable if the energy levels of different activities as obtained from the solution are fully utilized as per the activities included in the basis. Otherwise at the energy levels as obtained from the solution, the optimum yield may not be obtainable.

From policy makers' point of view, the minimum amount of energy required for attaining a given level of yield may be of importance. In order to answer this question, the LP problem may be reframed as a total energy minimization problem given the constraints on yield and other activities. For this purpose one may use the fact that the maximization of a function  $f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  is equivalent to minimization of  $-f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ , in the sense that both problems result in the same optimal values of  $X_i$ 's. Moreover the same data file as created for yield maximization problem can be used in this case also. The rows corresponding to yield and total energy are interchanged and the total energy values are given negative signs.

At the first instance one may be interested to see the solution of the energy minimization LP problem at the optimum level of yield obtained through the yield maximization model. It may be mentioned here that if the constraints on the various sources of energy are same as that of yield maximization problem, then the usage of various energy sources in the solution of the total energy minimization at optimum level of yield is same as that of yield maximization problem. The minimum of total energy obtained through this solution is also same as that of the total energy usage in the yield maximization problem. This justifies the use of LP problem of energy minimization. The results obtained are given in ANNEXURE-III.

From yield maximization section we know that the optimum yield for marginal farmers at present level of availability of energy is 3109.663 Kg/ha. Now suppose one wants to know the values of the energy requirements source wise to raise the yield level of marginal farmers to 3200 kg/ha from the present level of 3109.663 Kg/ha. The energy available for various sources in the changed scenario is given as under.

Situation	Human	Diesel	Electricity	Seeds	Fertilizer	Machinery	Chemical
I	930	1580	2310	1500	5000	270	3.000
II	1000	1700	2400	1485	5000	270	3.000

The energy required source wise for these situations is given in the following Table.

Energy Source	Energy Usage for Situation (in MJ/ha)	
	I	II
Human	930.0000	941.4569
Diesel	1497.6240	1493.5584
Electricity	2310.0000	2287.1531
Seeds	1353.2773	1354.2967
Fertilizer	4638.0447	4331.5077
Machinery	270.0000	270.0000
Chemical	0.4451	0.0000
<b>Total</b>	<b>10999.3911</b>	<b>10677.9728</b>

One can see that total energy required is less than the total energy required for the 3109.66334 kg/ha of yield. This may be due to change in scenario of the available yields.

As described above, the optimum yield is obtainable only when the energy usage of different sources as found in the solution is as per the basis. However, this would seldom be the case. Therefore, one may require extrapolating the energy levels of different activities as well as the total energy to attain the productivity levels as obtained through LP. For this it is necessary to find out the current energy use efficiency. The LP problem may then be restructured as minimization of total energy and give the upper bounds on constraints as average use and give constraint on yield equal to the average yield obtained at present.

For illustration the data on the marginal farmers was utilized. To attain the average yield level of 2878.12 Kg/ha, the requirement of various energy sources are:

Energy Source	Usage as per LP	Average usage
Human	889.53	889.53
Diesel	1578.12	1578.12
Electricity	2108.8182	2309.24
Seeds	1485.82	1485.82
Fertilizer	3804.6891	4916.59
Machinery	260.02992	260.88
Chemicals	1.8634071	2.41
<b>Total Energy</b>	<b>10128.8707</b>	<b>11442.58824</b>

In this case, *the average usage on total energy is 11442.58824MJ/ha, whereas to attain the same yield levels the minimum total energy required is 10128.8707 MJ/ha.* Therefore, the *energy use efficiency is  $(10128.8707/11442.58824)=0.8852$ .*

To obtain the energy requirements from various sources for attaining the optimum yield as obtained through the LP model under the assumption that the energy use efficiency is as per the present levels, the energy usage from the model can be inflated by using the formula (optimum energy level required/Energy use efficiency). For example, to attain the yield of 3109.66334 kg/ha, the total energy required is 11277.91 MJ/ha and **the energy use efficiency is 0.8852, therefore, the actual total energy required under the assumption that the energy use efficiency remains the same is  $(11277.91/0.8852) =12741.407$  MJ/ha.** The energy requirements for various energy sources can also be inflated using the energy use efficiency at the same levels as that of total energy. This will ensure that the projected energy requirements are greater than or equal to the usage obtained through LP. This procedure has been illustrated for category 1 farmers and can be similarly followed for other categories.

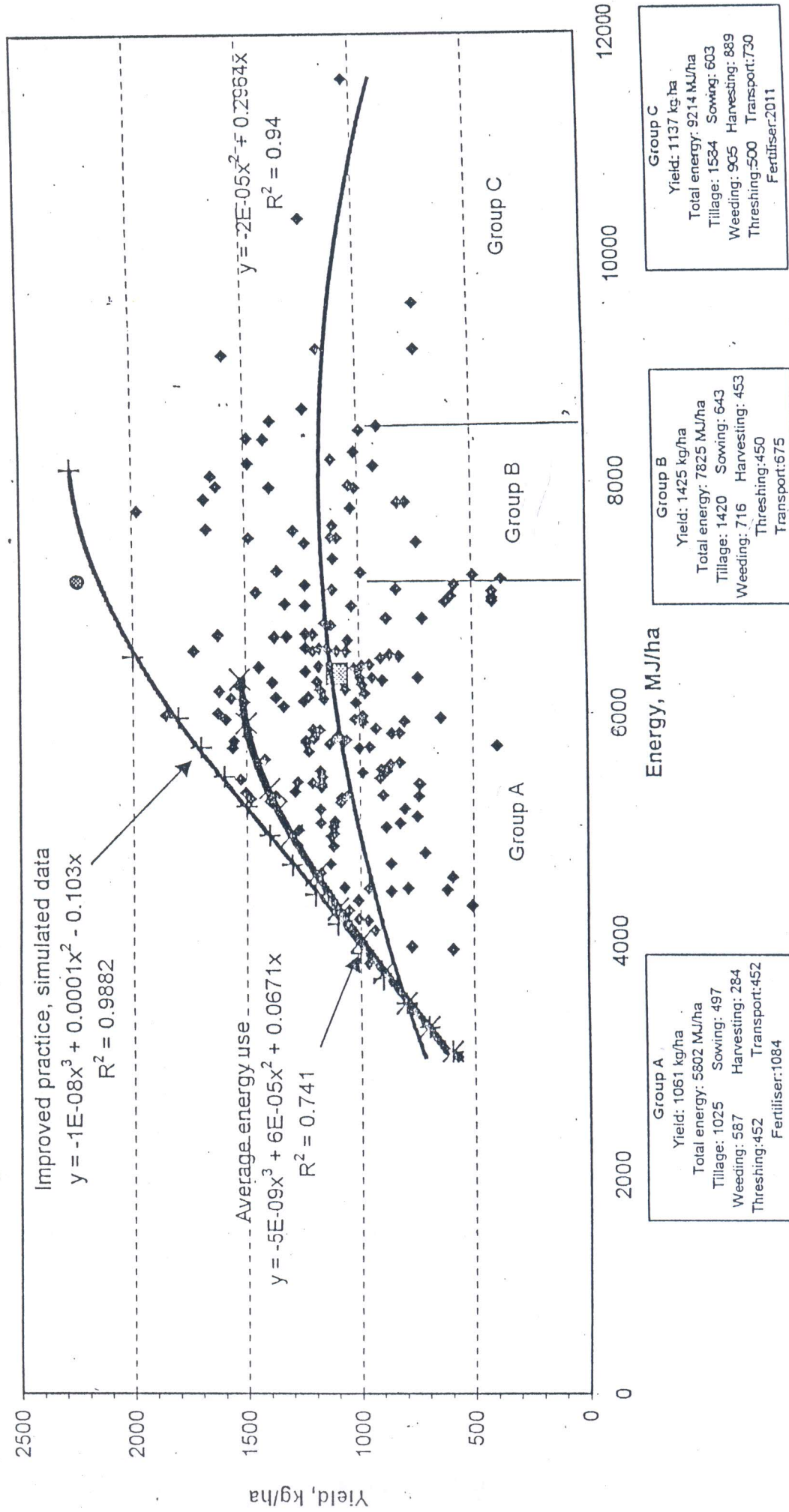
It may be worthwhile mentioning here that the extrapolation of energy levels is one way of handling the problem. However, other methods of circumventing this problem need attentions.

*One important point to mention here is that this optimization is valid under the assumption of zero technical change. The positive rate of technical change may improve the energy use efficiency. Therefore, one may obtain the energy requirements for different situations of technical change and/or changing the energy use efficiency levels.*

It may be noted that in case of a change in scenario in terms of energy availability from different sources the LP problem may result in a solution that may require less or more energy as compared to the solution obtained by taking the constraints as the average availability of energy sources.. Sometimes the solution may not exist. At other times the solution may not be feasible from practical considerations. In these situations one has to use judgement in choosing the constraints.

To end the discussion, it may be emphasized that LP is one of the many optimization techniques. There is a potential for exploring the other optimization techniques, particularly those involving quadratic, non-linear modeling, etc..

Fig. 1. Energy use in Soybean cultivation (Mixed farm, rainfed) in Madhya Pradesh



◆ Farmer performance Yield (kg/ha)    ▣ Average yield  
 ◇ Av. Energy-max ene productivity    ● Improved practice-max. ene productivity + Improved situation, simulated data



Fig. 2. MP - rainfed soybean mixed farm cultivation - comparison of direct energy use pattern

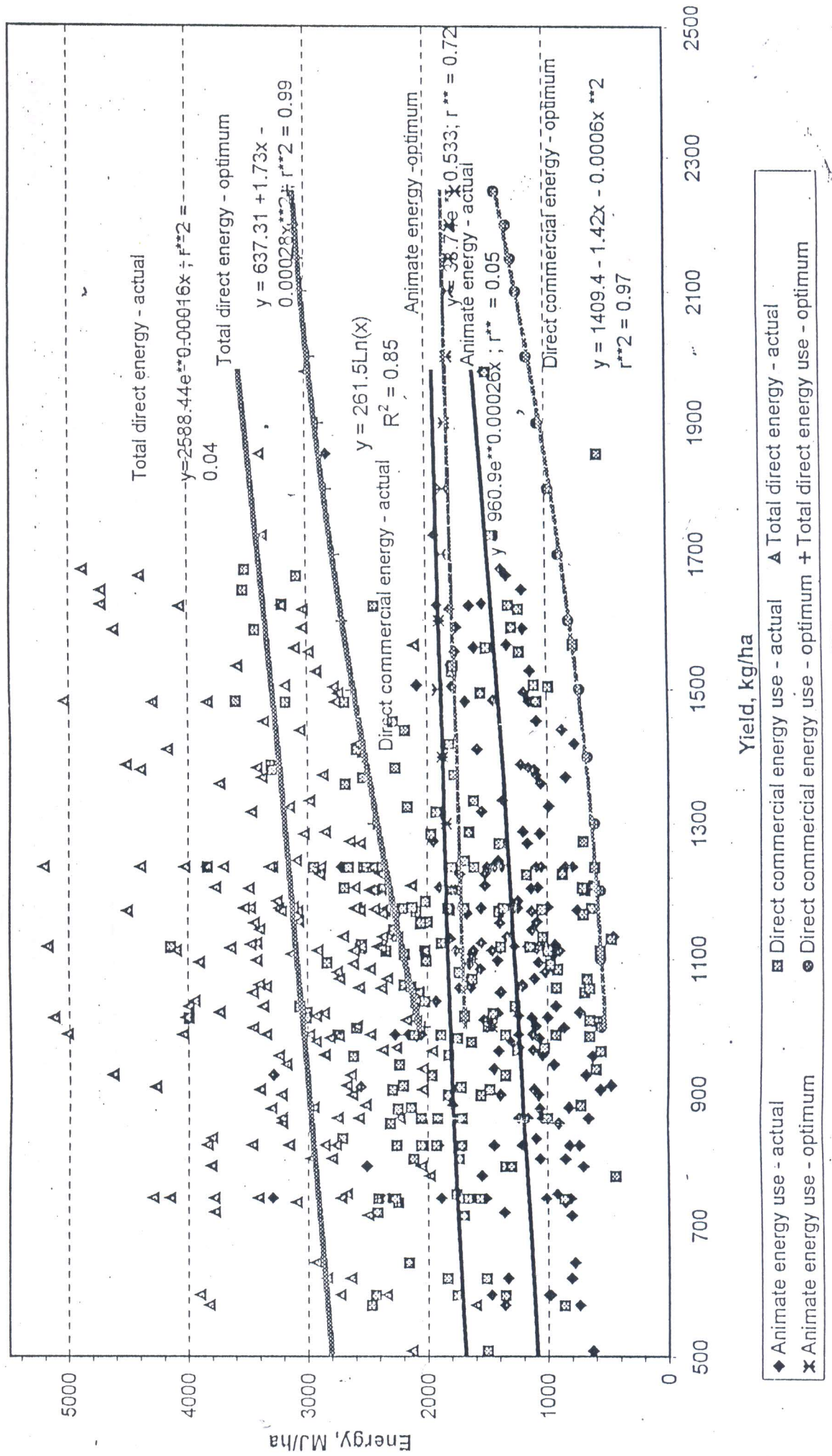
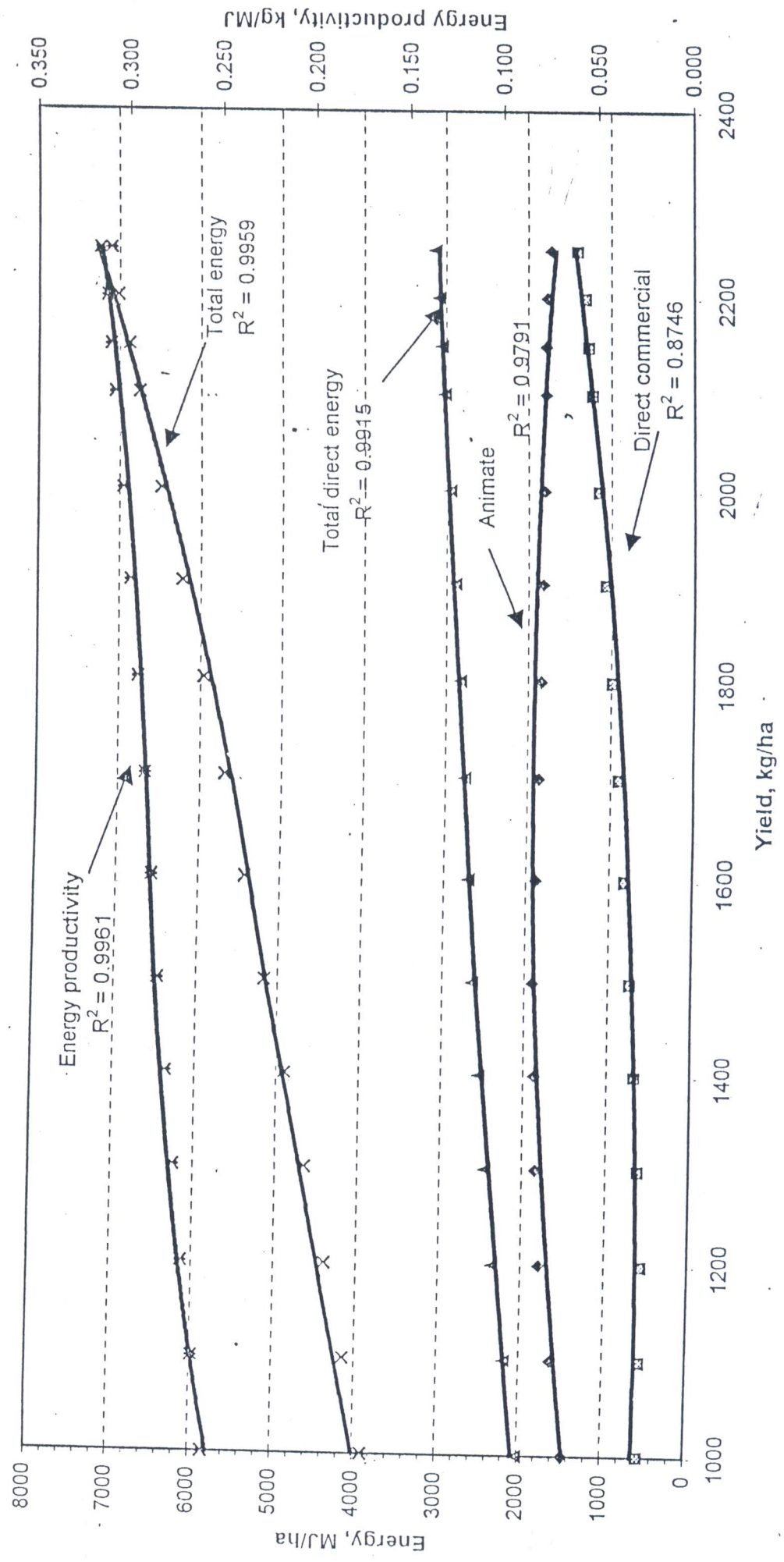


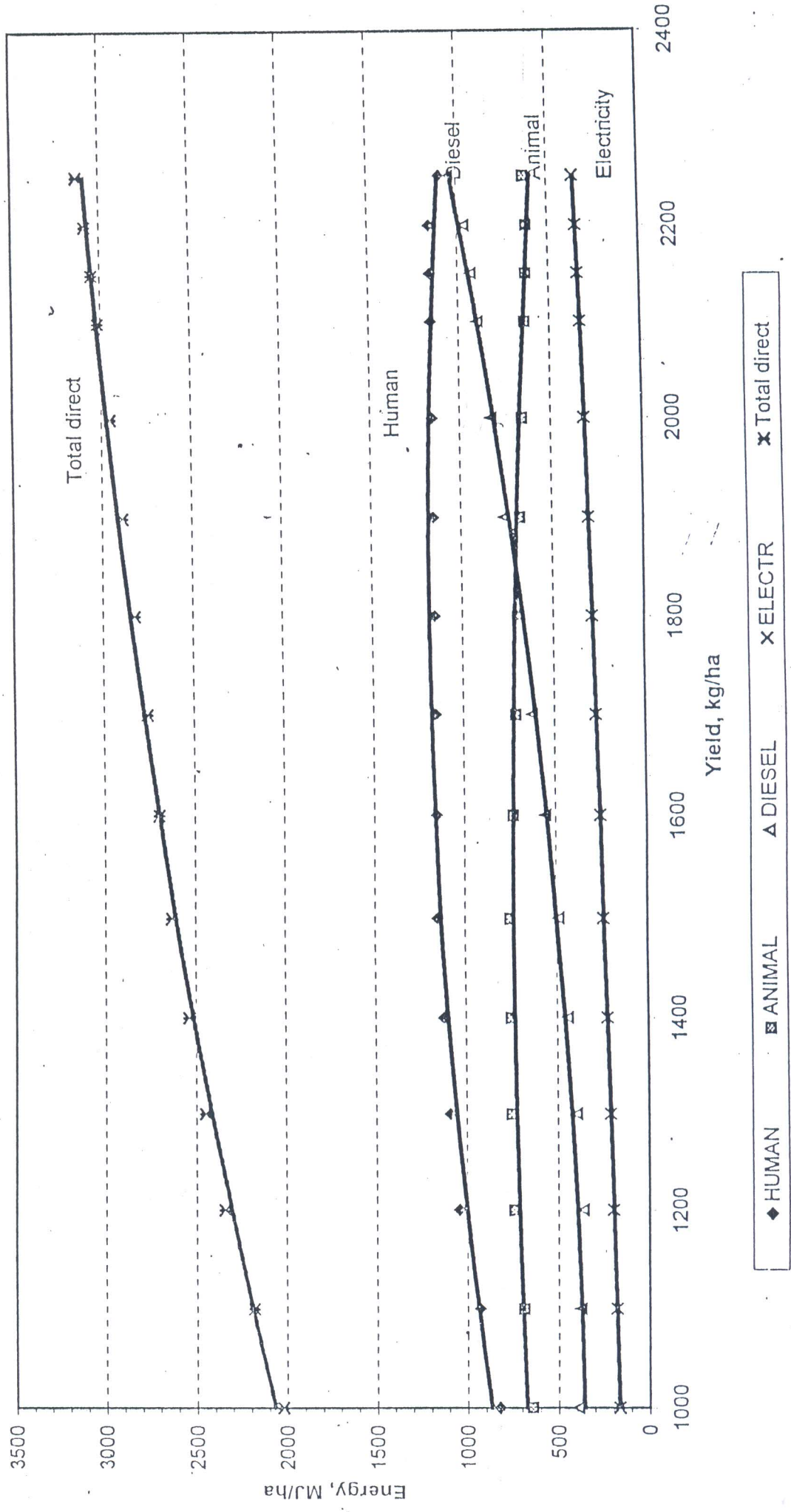
Fig. 3. Energy use in rainfed soybean cultivation in M.P with improved cultivation practices



◆ animate    ■ Direct comm    ▲ Total direct    × Total energy    × Energy productivity



Fig. 4. Use pattern of direct energy sources for rainfed soybean cultivation in M.P under mixed farm with improved practices



**ANNEXURE - I**  
**Results of Yield Maximization using LP for Category-I Farmers**

CHK10M1A SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM		YIELD		3109.663340	
PRIMAL PROBLEM SOLUTION					
VARIABLE	STATUS	VALUE	YIELD /UNIT	VALUE/UNIT	NET YIELD
X.1	BASIS	.24458989	2824.0000	2824.0000	.00000000
X.2	BASIS	.16789194	3231.0000	3231.0000	.00000000
X.3	NONBASIS	.00000000	3020.0000	3480.4365	-460.43651
X.4	NONBASIS	.00000000	2718.0000	3012.0809	-294.08091
X.5	NONBASIS	.00000000	2404.0000	2909.1805	-505.18054
X.6	NONBASIS	.00000000	2471.0000	2785.2520	-314.25200
X.7	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3260.1716	-295.17165
X.8	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3335.1922	-370.19223
X.9	NONBASIS	.00000000	3000.0000	3004.5484	-4.5483968
X.10	NONBASIS	.00000000	3198.0000	3670.5527	-472.55272
X.11	NONBASIS	.00000000	2976.0000	3009.1584	-33.158441
X.12	NONBASIS	.00000000	2762.0000	3180.5411	-418.54108
X.13	BASIS	.11616792	2589.0000	2589.0000	.00000000
X.14	NONBASIS	.00000000	2677.0000	3084.9424	-407.94242
X.15	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3248.4807	-159.48068
X.16	BASIS	.47135025	3343.0000	3343.0000	.00000000
X.17	NONBASIS	.00000000	2696.0000	2897.0230	-201.02298
S.1	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	.91251878	-.91251878
S.2	BASIS	75.244739	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.3	BASIS	26.287580	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.4	BASIS	60.737508	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.5	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	.04017164	-.04017164
S.6	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	7.3526979	-7.3526979
S.7	BASIS	2.4100000	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.8	BASIS	164.68983	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000

CHK10M1A SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM		YIELD		3109.663340	
DUAL PROBLEM SOLUTION					
CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	USAGE	SLACK
HUMAN	BINDING	.91251878	889.53000	889.53000	.00000000
DIESEL	NONBINDING	.00000000	1578.1200	1502.8753	75.244739
ELECT	NONBINDING	.00000000	2309.2400	2282.9524	26.287580
SEED	NONBINDING	.00000000	1485.8200	1425.0825	60.737508
FERT	BINDING	.04017164	4916.5900	4916.5900	.00000000
MACH	BINDING	7.3526979	260.88000	260.88000	.00000000
CHEM	NONBINDING	.00000000	2.4100000	.00000000	2.4100000
TOTAL	NONBINDING	.00000000	11442.600	11277.910	164.68983
AREA	BINDING	182.27121	1.0000000	1.0000000	.00000000

CHK10M1A SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM		YIELD		3109.663340	
RIGHT-HAND-SIDE RANGES					
CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
HUMAN	BINDING	.91251878	889.53000	863.75604	907.85178
DIESEL	NONBINDING	.00000000	1578.1200	1502.8753	NONE
ELECT	NONBINDING	.00000000	2309.2400	2282.9524	NONE
SEED	NONBINDING	.00000000	1485.8200	1425.0825	NONE
FERT	BINDING	.04017164	4916.5900	4413.7158	5075.6616
MACH	BINDING	7.3526979	260.88000	257.52147	263.34333
CHEM	NONBINDING	.00000000	2.4100000	.00000000	NONE
TOTAL	NONBINDING	.00000000	11442.600	11277.910	NONE
AREA	BINDING	182.27121	1.0000000	.97890036	1.0129595.



## ANNEXURE-II

### Yield maximization for Combined data using lower and upper bounds

CHKMCR1	SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM	yield	3673.892900		
PRIMAL PROBLEM SOLUTION					
VARIABLE	STATUS	VALUE	yield /UNIT	VALUE/UNIT	NET yield
X.1	NONBASIS	.00000000	2824.0000	3649.7082	-825.70820
X.2	NONBASIS	.00000000	3231.0000	3770.7697	-539.76975
X.3	NONBASIS	.00000000	3020.0000	3736.1018	-716.10180
X.4	NONBASIS	.00000000	2718.0000	3787.3099	-1069.3099
X.5	NONBASIS	.00000000	2404.0000	3752.3342	-1348.3342
X.6	NONBASIS	.00000000	2471.0000	3416.2512	-945.25122
X.7	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3696.0003	-731.00029
X.8	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3604.3517	-639.35170
X.9	NONBASIS	.00000000	3000.0000	3933.8915	-933.89148
X.10	NONBASIS	.00000000	3198.0000	3805.0227	-607.02267
X.11	NONBASIS	.00000000	2976.0000	3963.5253	-987.52526
X.12	NONBASIS	.00000000	2762.0000	3713.0531	-951.05309
X.13	NONBASIS	.00000000	2589.0000	3805.7319	-1216.7319
X.14	NONBASIS	.00000000	2677.0000	3763.2185	-1086.2185
X.15	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3473.1427	-384.14266
X.16	NONBASIS	.00000000	3343.0000	3967.6632	-624.66315
X.17	NONBASIS	.00000000	2696.0000	3874.5692	-1178.5692
X.18	NONBASIS	.00000000	2353.0000	3651.6350	-1298.6350
X.19	NONBASIS	.00000000	2595.0000	3749.1916	-1154.1916
X.20	NONBASIS	.00000000	2883.0000	3810.2593	-927.25931
X.21	NONBASIS	.00000000	2409.0000	4043.1965	-1634.1965
X.22	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3685.9074	-720.90740
X.23	NONBASIS	.00000000	3459.0000	4077.0311	-618.03110
X.24	BASIS	.06569603	4236.0000	4236.0000	.00000000
X.25	NONBASIS	.00000000	2689.0000	4208.7704	-1519.7704
X.26	NONBASIS	.00000000	2817.0000	3678.5333	-861.53331
X.27	NONBASIS	.00000000	2551.0000	3650.9167	-1099.9167
X.28	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3495.5799	-406.57991
X.29	NONBASIS	.00000000	2548.0000	3720.2089	-1172.2089
X.30	NONBASIS	.00000000	2566.0000	3796.9882	-1230.9882
X.31	NONBASIS	.00000000	2081.0000	3805.4181	-1724.4181
X.32	NONBASIS	.00000000	2712.0000	3445.8248	-733.82480
X.33	NONBASIS	.00000000	2337.0000	3542.7098	-1205.7098
X.34	NONBASIS	.00000000	2330.0000	3773.1292	-1443.1292
X.35	NONBASIS	.00000000	2224.0000	3905.2765	-1681.2765
X.36	NONBASIS	.00000000	2991.0000	3747.1651	-756.16512
X.37	NONBASIS	.00000000	3058.0000	3399.6737	-341.67372
X.38	NONBASIS	.00000000	2734.0000	3747.1442	-1013.1442
X.39	NONBASIS	.00000000	3177.0000	3656.0878	-479.08776
X.40	NONBASIS	.00000000	3055.0000	3097.1321	-42.132093
X.41	NONBASIS	.00000000	2934.0000	3726.0792	-792.07921
X.42	NONBASIS	.00000000	2636.0000	3539.4699	-903.46987
X.43	NONBASIS	.00000000	1853.0000	4061.4082	-2208.4082
X.44	NONBASIS	.00000000	2134.0000	4024.9399	-1890.9399
X.45	NONBASIS	.00000000	2759.0000	3679.2836	-920.28358
X.46	NONBASIS	.00000000	2647.0000	4039.5612	-1392.5612
X.47	NONBASIS	.00000000	2770.0000	3434.2665	-664.26652
X.48	NONBASIS	.00000000	2331.0000	3997.1369	-1666.1369
X.49	NONBASIS	.00000000	2534.0000	3650.7479	-1116.7479
X.50	NONBASIS	.00000000	2974.0000	3546.2394	-572.23938

X.51	NONBASIS	.00000000	2842.0000	3621.4200	-779.41997
X.52	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3399.2626	-434.26259
X.53	BASIS	.07146178	3336.0000	3336.0000	.00000000
X.54	NONBASIS	.00000000	2907.0000	3851.9398	-944.93982
X.55	NONBASIS	.00000000	1977.0000	3990.0460	-2013.0460
X.56	NONBASIS	.00000000	3029.0000	3650.8077	-621.80771
X.57	NONBASIS	.00000000	2265.0000	3642.6456	-1377.6456
X.58	NONBASIS	.00000000	2696.0000	3503.4448	-807.44477
X.59	NONBASIS	.00000000	2903.0000	3709.1331	-806.13310
X.60	NONBASIS	.00000000	2824.0000	3452.0213	-628.02129
X.61	NONBASIS	.00000000	2652.0000	3720.5405	-1068.5405
X.62	NONBASIS	.00000000	2394.0000	3537.3353	-1143.3353
X.63	NONBASIS	.00000000	2788.0000	3539.8125	-751.81249
X.64	NONBASIS	.00000000	2520.0000	3573.2764	-1053.2764
X.65	NONBASIS	.00000000	2471.0000	3587.4103	-1116.4103
X.66	NONBASIS	.00000000	3212.0000	3370.4065	-158.40647
X.67	NONBASIS	.00000000	2931.0000	3277.4406	-346.44057
X.68	BASIS	.05390090	3150.0000	3150.0000	.00000000
X.69	NONBASIS	.00000000	1853.0000	4565.4033	-2712.4033
X.70	NONBASIS	.00000000	3295.0000	3601.0229	-306.02287
X.71	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3585.0503	-496.05031
X.72	NONBASIS	.00000000	2903.0000	3758.9542	-855.95421
X.73	NONBASIS	.00000000	2306.0000	3788.0697	-1482.0697
X.74	NONBASIS	.00000000	2991.0000	3477.3676	-486.36756
X.75	NONBASIS	.00000000	3150.0000	3717.3506	-567.35055
X.76	NONBASIS	.00000000	2718.0000	3701.4773	-983.47731
X.77	NONBASIS	.00000000	2746.0000	3845.6315	-1099.6315
X.78	NONBASIS	.00000000	2974.0000	3546.2394	-572.23938
X.79	NONBASIS	.00000000	2788.0000	3267.9040	-479.90396
X.80	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3371.1502	-406.15025
X.81	NONBASIS	.00000000	3000.0000	3847.6862	-847.68619
X.82	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3701.9286	-736.92863
X.83	NONBASIS	.00000000	2775.0000	3636.8320	-861.83200
X.84	NONBASIS	.00000000	2669.0000	3412.0668	-743.06682
X.85	NONBASIS	.00000000	2992.0000	3688.8842	-696.88415
X.86	NONBASIS	.00000000	2920.0000	3481.2187	-561.21866
X.87	NONBASIS	.00000000	2718.0000	3620.2705	-902.27047
X.88	NONBASIS	.00000000	2746.0000	3421.9430	-675.94295
X.89	NONBASIS	.00000000	3015.0000	3636.2515	-621.25151
X.90	NONBASIS	.00000000	2636.0000	3598.2967	-962.29673
X.91	NONBASIS	.00000000	2965.0000	3544.8465	-579.84652
X.92	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3683.0566	-594.05662
X.93	NONBASIS	.00000000	2780.0000	3632.4216	-852.42155
X.94	NONBASIS	.00000000	3089.0000	3249.7363	-160.73627
X.95	BASIS	.80894128	3693.0000	3693.0000	.00000000
X.96	NONBASIS	.00000000	3130.0000	3935.4120	-805.41197
S.1	BASIS	100.02000	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.2	BASIS	12.213331	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.3	BASIS	280.24895	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.4	BASIS	338.09000	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.5	BASIS	490.12676	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.6	BASIS	43.538976	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.8	BASIS	1264.2180	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.9	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	.43249763	-.43249763
S.10	BASIS	820.60667	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.11	BASIS	335.89105	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.12	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	1.2399463	-1.2399463

S.13	BASIS	87.433237	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.14	BASIS	71.711024	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.16	BASIS	1315.6820	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000

CHKMCR1 SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM yield 3673.892900  
DUAL PROBLEM SOLUTION

CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	USAGE	SLACK
human	NONBINDING	.00000000	958.00000	857.98000	100.02000
diesel	NONBINDING	.00000000	2622.4000	2610.1867	12.213331
electr	NONBINDING	.00000000	2464.5700	2184.3211	280.24895
seeds	NONBINDING	.00000000	1838.0000	1499.9100	338.09000
fert	NONBINDING	.00000000	5493.0000	5002.8732	490.12676
mach	NONBINDING	.00000000	406.50000	362.96102	43.538976
chem	BINDING	-6.1815901	13.750000	13.750000	.00000000
total	NONBINDING	.00000000	13796.200	12531.982	1264.2180
HUMAN1	BINDING	-.43249763	857.98000	857.98000	.00000000
DIESEL1	NONBINDING	.00000000	1789.5800	2610.1867	-820.60667
ELECT1	NONBINDING	.00000000	1848.4300	2184.3211	-335.89105
SEED1	BINDING	-1.2399463	1499.9100	1499.9100	.00000000
FERT1	NONBINDING	.00000000	4915.4400	5002.8732	-87.433237
MACH1	NONBINDING	.00000000	291.25000	362.96102	-71.711024
Area	BINDING	5989.7719	1.0000000	1.0000000	.00000000
total1	NONBINDING	.00000000	11216.300	12531.982	-1315.6820

CHKMCR1 SOLUTION IS MAXIMUM yield 3673.892900  
RIGHT-HAND-SIDE RANGES

CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
human	NONBINDING	.00000000	958.00000	857.98000	NONE
diesel	NONBINDING	.00000000	2622.4000	2610.1867	NONE
electr	NONBINDING	.00000000	2464.5700	2184.3211	NONE
seeds	NONBINDING	.00000000	1838.0000	1499.9100	NONE
fert	NONBINDING	.00000000	5493.0000	5002.8732	NONE
mach	NONBINDING	.00000000	406.50000	362.96102	NONE
chem	BINDING	-6.1815901	13.750000	11.271142	32.539981
total	NONBINDING	.00000000	13796.200	12531.982	NONE
HUMAN1	BINDING	-.43249763	857.98000	846.93026	924.82168
DIESEL1	NONBINDING	.00000000	1789.5800	NONE	2610.1867
ELECT1	NONBINDING	.00000000	1848.4300	NONE	2184.3211
SEED1	BINDING	-1.2399463	1499.9100	1299.9633	1512.7982
FERT1	NONBINDING	.00000000	4915.4400	NONE	5002.8732
MACH1	NONBINDING	.00000000	291.25000	NONE	362.96102
Area	BINDING	5989.7719	1.0000000	.98950319	1.0055392
total1	NONBINDING	.00000000	11216.300	NONE	12531.982

**ANNEXURE - III**

**Energy minimization at optimum Yield levels and average availability  
as constraints -Category-I farmers**

CHK10E10	SOLUTION IS MINIMUM		TOTAL	11277.61139	
	PRIMAL PROBLEM SOLUTION				
VARIABLE	STATUS	VALUE	TOTAL /UNIT	VALUE/UNIT	NET TOTAL
X.1	BASIS	.24402932	9782.0000	9782.0000	.00000000
X.2	BASIS	.16704265	14352.000	14352.000	.00000000
X.3	NONBASIS	.00000000	10270.000	-30612.188	40882.188
X.4	NONBASIS	.00000000	10502.000	-15751.579	26253.579
X.5	NONBASIS	.00000000	10309.000	-35362.675	45671.675
X.6	NONBASIS	.00000000	13596.000	-14674.727	28270.727
X.7	NONBASIS	.00000000	11919.000	-15033.909	26952.909
X.8	NONBASIS	.00000000	10556.000	-23571.381	34127.381
X.9	BASIS	.00073441	13315.000	13315.000	.00000000
X.10	NONBASIS	.00000000	10713.000	-31419.058	42132.058
X.11	NONBASIS	.00000000	10782.000	8126.0290	2655.9710
X.12	NONBASIS	.00000000	11002.000	-26724.937	37726.937
X.13	BASIS	.11635027	13490.000	13490.000	.00000000
X.14	NONBASIS	.00000000	11145.000	-25864.076	37009.076
X.15	NONBASIS	.00000000	11481.000	-3894.7793	15375.779
X.16	BASIS	.47184335	10414.000	10414.000	.00000000
X.17	NONBASIS	.00000000	10896.000	-6954.0399	17850.040
S.1	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	-79.293809	79.293809
S.2	BASIS	75.368436	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.3	BASIS	26.227879	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.4	BASIS	60.972297	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
S.5	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	-2.5578617	2.5578617
S.6	NONBASIS	.00000000	.00000000	-664.39115	664.39115
S.7	BASIS	2.4100000	.00000000	.00000000	.00000000
CHK10E10	SOLUTION IS MINIMUM		TOTAL	11277.61139	
	DUAL PROBLEM SOLUTION				
CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	USAGE	SLACK
HUMAN	BINDING	-79.293809	889.53000	889.53000	.00000000
DIESEL	NONBINDING	.00000000	1578.1200	1502.7516	75.368436
ELECT	NONBINDING	.00000000	2309.2400	2283.0121	26.227879
SEEDS	NONBINDING	.00000000	1485.8200	1424.8477	60.972297
FERTI	BINDING	-2.5578617	4916.5900	4916.5900	.00000000
MACH	BINDING	-664.39115	260.88000	260.88000	.00000000
chem	NONBINDING	.00000000	2.4100000	.00000000	2.4100000
YIELD	BINDING	89.445714	3109.6600	3109.6600	.00000000
AREA	BINDING	-10431.604	1.0000000	1.0000000	.00000000
CHK10E10	SOLUTION IS MINIMUM		TOTAL	11277.61139	
	RIGHT-HAND-SIDE RANGES				
CONSTRAINT	STATUS	DUAL VALUE	RHS VALUE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
HUMAN	BINDING	-79.293809	889.53000	889.52634	890.27079
DIESEL	NONBINDING	.00000000	1578.1200	1502.7516	NONE
ELECT	NONBINDING	.00000000	2309.2400	2283.0121	NONE
SEEDS	NONBINDING	.00000000	1485.8200	1424.8477	NONE
FERTI	BINDING	-2.5578617	4916.5900	4916.5068	4932.9700
MACH	BINDING	-664.39115	260.88000	260.87955	260.96759
chem	NONBINDING	.00000000	2.4100000	.00000000	NONE
YIELD	BINDING	89.445714	3109.6600	3109.0030	3109.6633
AREA	BINDING	-10431.604	1.0000000	.99998167	1.0039587