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## PREFACE

In Karnataka, as in other Indian States, the livelihoods of rural people are intertwined with farming pursuits. The challenges in agriculture are seriously threatening the livelihood of a large number of farmers as they have been practicing farming in contextual factors beyond their control. Climatic factors are the most important ones and have become much more significant in recent times due to rapid climate changes induced by intensive anthropogenic activities affecting our ecosystem in multiple ways. Climate change has become the reality, it is happening and efforts to evolve and demonstrate climate resilient technologies have become essential. Due to the already over stressed scenario of agrarian sector, the climate change is resulting in manifold increase in the complexities, pushing the rural mass to face more and more unpredictable situations. The rising temperatures and unpredictable rainfall patterns are going to test seriously the informed decisions farmers have to make in order to survive in farming and sustain their livelihood.

It is generally recognized that impacts of climate change shall not be uniform across the globe. It is said that impact of climate change is more severe in South Asia. Based on the analysis of meteorological data, it is predicted that in India, there will be upward trend in mean temperature, downward trend in relative humidity, annual rainfall and number of wet days in a year. Also, in general, phenomena like erratic monsoon, spread of tropical diseases, rise in sea levels, changes in availability of fresh water, frequent floods, droughts, heat waves, storms and hurricanes are predicted. Each one of these adverse situations are already being experienced in various parts of India and also at the global level. Decline in agricultural productivity of small and marginal farmers becoming more vulnerable is already witnessed.

In Karnataka, more than 60 per cent of the population live in rural areas and depend on agriculture and allied activities for their livelihood. Though the state has achieved significant progress in increasing the yield of many crops, there is tremendous pressure on the land resources due to the growing and competing demands of various land uses. This is reflected in the alarming rate of land degradation observed. Already more than 50 per cent of the area is affected by various forms of degradation. If this trend continues, the sustainability of the fragile ecosystem will be badly affected. The adverse effects of change in the climatic factors are putting additional stress on the land resources and the farmers dependent on this.

The natural resources (land, water and vegetation) of the state need adequate and constant care and management, backed by site-specific technological interventions and investments particularly by the government. Detailed database pertaining to the nature of

the land resources, their constraints, inherent potentials and suitability for various land based rural enterprises, crops and other uses is a prerequisite for preparing location-specific action plans, which are in tune with the inherent capability of the resources. Any effort to evolve climate resilient technologies has to be based on the baseline scientific database. Then only one can expect effective implementation of climate resilient technologies, monitor the progress, make essential review of the strategy, and finally evaluate the effectiveness of the implemented programs. The information available at present on the land resources of the state are of general nature and useful only for general purpose planning. Since the need of the hour is to have site-specific information suitable for farm level planning and detailed characterization and delineation of the existing land resources of an area into similar management units is the only option.

ICAR-NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore has taken up a project sponsored by the Karnataka Watershed Development Project-II, (Sujala-III), Government of Karnataka funded by the World Bank under Component -1 Land Resource Inventory. This study was taken up to demonstrate the utility of such a database in reviewing, monitoring and evaluating all the land based watershed development programs on a scientific footing. To meet the requirements of various land use planners at grassroots level, the present study on “Land Resource Inventory and Socio-Economic Status of Farm Households for Watershed Planning and Development of Dadal Microwatershed, Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District, Karnataka” for integrated development was taken up in collaboration with the State Agricultural Universities, IISC, KRSRAC, KSNDMC as Consortia partners. The project provides detailed land resource information at cadastral level (1:7920 scale) for all the plots and socio-economic status of farm households covering thirty per cent farmers randomly selected representing landed and landless class of farmers in the microwatershed. The project report with the accompanying maps for the microwatershed will provide required detailed database for evolving effective land use plan, alternative land use options and conservation plans for the planners, administrators, agricultural extension personnel, KVK officials, developmental departments and other land users to manage the land resources in a sustainable manner.

It is hoped that this database will be useful to the planners, administrators and developmental agencies working in the area in not only for formulating location specific developmental schemes but also for their effective monitoring at the village/watershed level.

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## **LAND RESOURCE INVENTORY**



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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The land resource inventory of Dadal microwatershed was conducted using village cadastral maps and IRS satellite imagery on 1:7920 scale. The false colour composites of IRS imagery were interpreted for physiography and these physiographic delineations were used as base for mapping soils. The soils were studied in several transects and a soil map was prepared with phases of soil series as mapping units. Random checks were made all over the area outside the transects to confirm and validate the soil map unit boundaries. The soil map shows the geographic distribution and extent, characteristics, classification and use potentials of the soils in the microwatershed.

The present study covers an area of 568 ha in Dadal microwatershed in Yadgir taluk of Yadgir district, Karnataka. The climate is semiarid and categorized as drought-prone with an average annual rainfall of 866 mm, of which about 652 mm is received during south-west monsoon, 138 mm during north-east and the remaining 76 mm during the rest of the year. An area of about 96 per cent is covered by soils, four per cent by waterbodies, settlements and others. The salient findings from the land resource inventory are summarized briefly below.

- ❖ The soils belong to 9 soil series and 15 soil phases (management units) and 4 land use classes.
- ❖ The length of crop growing period is about 120-150 days starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> week of June to 4<sup>th</sup> week of October.
- ❖ From the master soil map, several interpretative and thematic maps like land capability, soil depth, surface soil texture, soil gravelliness, available water capacity, soil slope and soil erosion were generated.
- ❖ Soil fertility status maps for macro and micronutrients were generated based on the surface soil samples collected at every 250 m grid interval.
- ❖ Land suitability for growing major agricultural and horticultural crops were assessed and maps showing degree of suitability along with constraints were generated.
- ❖ About 96 per cent area is suitable for agriculture and 4 per cent is not suitable for agriculture but well suited for forestry, pasture, agro forestry, silvi-pasture, recreation, installation of wind mills and as habitat for wildlife.
- ❖ About 11 per cent of the soils are moderately deep (75-100cm), about 69 per cent deep (100-150cm) to very deep (>150 cm) and 17 per cent are shallow to moderately shallow (25-75 cm) soils.
- ❖ About 81 per cent of the area has clayey soils and 15 per cent loamy soils at the surface.
- ❖ About 89 per cent of the area has non-gravelly and 7 per cent gravelly soils (15-35 % gravel).
- ❖ About 69 per cent of the area has soils that are very high (>200mm/m) in available water capacity, 17 per cent medium (100-150 mm/m) and about 11 per cent low (51-100 mm/m) to very low (<50 mm/m).
- ❖ About 96 per cent of the area has very gently sloping (1-3%) lands.
- ❖ An area of about 4 per cent has soils that are slightly eroded (e1), 85 per cent moderately eroded (e2) and 8 per cent severely eroded (e3).
- ❖ An area of about 25 per cent has soils that are moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 to 8.4), about 61 per cent strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) and about 10 per cent very strongly alkaline (pH >9.0) in soil reaction.

- ❖ *The Electrical Conductivity (EC) of the soils are dominantly  $<2 \text{ dsm}^{-1}$  indicating that the soils are non-saline.*
- ❖ *About 71 per cent medium (0.5-0.75%), 8 per cent low ( $<0.5\%$ ) and 17 per cent high ( $>0.75\%$ ) in organic carbon.*
- ❖ *An area of 22 per cent has soils that are low ( $<23 \text{ kg/ha}$ ), 73 per cent medium (23-57 kg/ha) and only 1 per cent high ( $>57 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in available phosphorus.*
- ❖ *About 49 per cent medium (145-337 kg/ha) and 47 per cent high ( $>337 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in available potassium.*
- ❖ *Available sulphur is low ( $<10 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 69 per cent area, medium (10-20 ppm) in 26 per cent and high ( $>20 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 2 per cent area.*
- ❖ *Available boron is low ( $<0.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 2 per cent, 58 per cent medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) and high ( $>1.0 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 35 per cent.*
- ❖ *About 14 per cent area has soils that are deficient ( $<4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in available iron and 82 per cent sufficient ( $>4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ).*
- ❖ *Available manganese and copper are sufficient in all the soils.*
- ❖ *Available zinc is deficient in all the soils.*
- ❖ *The land suitability for 27 major crops grown in the microwatershed was assessed and the areas that are highly suitable (S1) and moderately suitable (S2) are given below. It is however to be noted that a given soil may be suitable for various crops but what specific crop to be grown may be decided by the farmer looking to his capacity to invest on various inputs, marketing infrastructure, price and finally the demand and supply position.*

**Land suitability for various crops in the Dadal microwatershed**

Crop	Suitability Area in ha (%)		Crop	Suitability Area in ha (%)	
	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)		Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)
<i>Sorghum</i>	-	503 (89)	<i>Guava</i>	-	-
<i>Maize</i>	-	16 (3)	<i>Pomegranate</i>	-	450 (79)
<i>Red gram</i>	-	450 (79)	<i>Jackfruit</i>	-	-
<i>Bajra</i>	-	503 (89)	<i>Jamun</i>	-	390(69)
<i>Ground nut</i>	-	16 (3)	<i>Musambi</i>	-	450 (79)
<i>Sunflower</i>	-	450 (79)	<i>Lime</i>	-	450 (79)
<i>Cotton</i>	-	503 (89)	<i>Cashew</i>	-	-
<i>Bengalgram</i>	-	503 (89)	<i>Custard apple</i>		503 (89)
<i>Chilli</i>	-	503 (89)	<i>Amla</i>	-	503 (89)
<i>Tomato</i>	-	16 (3)	<i>Tamarind</i>	-	390(69)
<i>Drumstick</i>	-	450 (79)	<i>Marigold</i>	-	503 (89)
<i>Mulberry</i>	-	-	<i>Chrysanthemum</i>	-	503 (89)
<i>Mango</i>	-	-			
<i>Sapota</i>	-	-			

*Apart from the individual crop suitability, a proposed crop plan has been prepared for the 4 identified LUCs by considering only the highly and moderately suitable lands for different crops and cropping systems with food, fibre and horticulture crops that helps in maintaining the ecological balance in the microwatershed*

- ❖ *Maintaining soil-health is vital to crop production and conserve soil and land resource base for maintaining ecological balance and to mitigate climate change. For this, several ameliorative measures have been suggested to these problematic soils like saline/alkali, highly eroded, sandy soils etc.,*
- ❖ *Soil and water conservation treatment plan has been prepared that would help in identifying the sites to be treated and also the type of structures required.*
- ❖ *As part of the greening programme, several tree species have been suggested to be planted in marginal and submarginal lands, field bunds and also in the hillocks, mounds and ridges.*





**INTRODUCTION**

Soil being a vital natural resource on whose proper use depends the life supporting systems of a country and the socioeconomic development of its people. Soils provide food, fodder, fibre and fuel for meeting the basic human and animal needs. With the ever increasing growth in human and animal population, the demand on soil for more food and fodder production is on the increase. The area available for agriculture is about 51 per cent of the total geographical area and more than 60 per cent of the people are still dependant on agriculture for their livelihood. However, the capacity of a soil to produce is limited and the limits to the production are set by its intrinsic characteristics, agro climatic setting, and, use and management. There is, therefore, tremendous pressure on land and water resources, which is causing decline in soil-health and stagnation in productivity. The soils have been degrading at an estimated rate of one million hectares per year and ground water levels have been receding at an alarming rate resulting in decline in the ground water resource. Further, land degradation has emerged as a serious problem which has already affected about 38 lakh ha of cultivated area in the State. Soil erosion alone has degraded about 35 lakh ha. Almost all the uncultivated areas are facing various degrees of degradation, particularly soil erosion; salinity and alkalinity has emerged as a major problem (>3.5 lakh ha) in the irrigated areas of the State. Nutrient depletion and declining factor productivity is common in both rainfed and irrigated areas. The degradation is continuing at an alarming rate and there appears to be no systematic effort among the stakeholders to contain this process. In recent times, an aberration of weather due to climate change phenomenon has added another dimension leading to unpredictable situation to be tackled by the farmers.

In this critical juncture, the challenge before us is not only to increase the productivity per unit area which is steadily declining and showing a fatigue syndrome, but also to prevent or at least reduce the severity of degradation. If the situation is not reversed at the earliest, then the sustainability of the already fragile crop production system and the overall ecosystem will be badly affected in the state. Added to this, every year there is a significant diversion of farm lands and water resources for non-agricultural purposes. Thus, developing strategies to slow down the degradation process or reclaim the soils to normal condition and ensure sustainability of production system are the major issues today. This demands a systematic appraisal of our soil and land resources with respect to their extent, geographic distribution, characteristics, behaviour and use potential, which is very important for developing an effective land use and cropping systems for augmenting agricultural production on a sustainable basis.

The soil and land resource inventories made so far in Karnataka had limited utility because the surveys were of different types, scales and intensities carried out at different times with specific objectives. Hence, there is an urgent need to generate detailed site-

specific farm level database on various land resources for all the villages/watersheds in a time bound manner that would help to protect the valuable soil and land resources and also to stabilize the farm production. Therefore, the land resource inventory required for farm level planning is the one which investigates all the parameters which are critical for productivity *viz.*, soils, site characteristics like slope, erosion, gravelliness and stoniness, climate, water, topography, geology, hydrology, vegetation, crops, land use pattern, animal population, socio-economic conditions, infrastructure, marketing facilities and various schemes and developmental works of the government etc. 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.

The Land Resource Inventory is basically done for identifying potential and problem areas, developing sustainable land use plans, estimation of surface run off and water harvesting potential, preparation of soil and water conservation plans, land degradation/desertification etc. The Bureau is presently engaged in developing an LRI methodology using high resolution satellite remote sensing data and Digital Elevation Model (DEM) data to prepare Landscape Ecological Units (LEU) map representing agro-ecosystem as a whole. The LEU is preferred over landform as the base map for LRI. LEU is the assemblage of landform, slope and land use. An attempt has already been made to upscale the soil resource information from 1:250000 and 1:50000 scale to the LEU map in Goa and in some other states. Here, an attempt will be made later to uplink the LRI data generated under Sujala-III Project to the Landscape Ecological Units (LEUs) map.

The land resource inventory aims to provide site specific database for Dadal microwatershed in Yadgir Taluk and Yadgir District, Karnataka state for the Karnataka Watershed Development Department. The database was generated by using cadastral map of the village as a base along with high resolution IRS LISS IV and Cartosat-1 merged satellite imagery. Later, an attempt will be made to uplink this LRI data generated at 1:7920 scale under Sujala-III Project to the proposed Landscape Ecological Units (LEUs) map.

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## GEOGRAPHICAL SETTING

### 2.1 Location and Extent

The Dadal micro-watershed is located in the northeastern part of Karnataka in Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District, Karnataka State (Fig.2.1). It comprises of part of Balacheda, Daddala, Kadechoora, Rachanhalli and Shettilli villages. It lies between  $16^{\circ} 31'$  and  $16^{\circ} 33'$  north latitudes and  $77^{\circ} 16'$  and  $77^{\circ} 19'$  east longitudes and covers an area of 568 ha. It is surrounded by Dadal on north, Kadechoora on southeast and Shettilli village on southwest side.

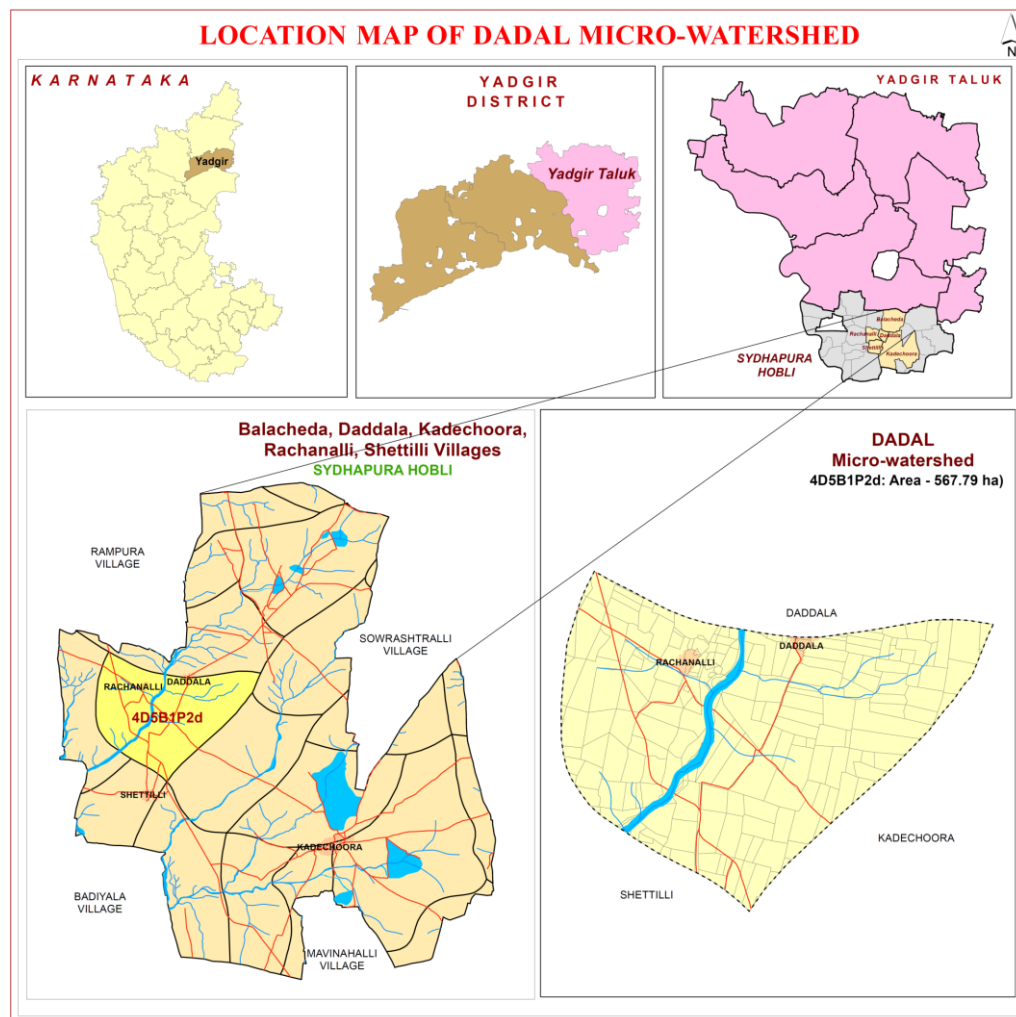


Fig.2.1 Location map of Dadal Microwatershed

### 2.2 Geology

Major rock formations observed in the microwatershed are granite gneiss and alluvium (Figs.2.2a and b). Granite gneisses are essentially pink to gray and are coarse to medium grained. They consist primarily of quartz, feldspar, biotite and hornblende. The gray granite gneisses are highly weathered, fractured and fissured upto a depth of about

10 m. Dolerite dykes and quartz veins are common with variable width and found to occur in Dadal village. The most widespread and characteristic development of alluvium in the watershed region lying between the rivers Krishna and Bhima is a wide belt, the underlying formation is gneiss and alluvial soils occur over gneiss, limestone and shale are far more extensive and homogeneous than those found on the Deccan Trap country lying to the north of the river Krishna. The soil thickness of the alluvium generally is limited to less than a meter, except in river valleys where it is very deep extending to tens of meters. Such soils are transported and represent palaeo black soil originally formed at higher elevation, but now occupying river valleys.



Fig.2.2a Granite and granite gneiss rocks



Fig. 2.2b Alluvium

### **2.3 Physiography**

Physiographically, the area has been identified as granite gneiss and alluvial landscape based on geology. The area has been further subdivided into five landforms, viz; mounds/ridges, summits, side slopes and very gently sloping uplands plains and valleys based on slope and its relief features. The elevation ranges from 359-376 m above MSL. The mounds and ridges are mostly covered by rock outcrops.

### **2.4 Drainage**

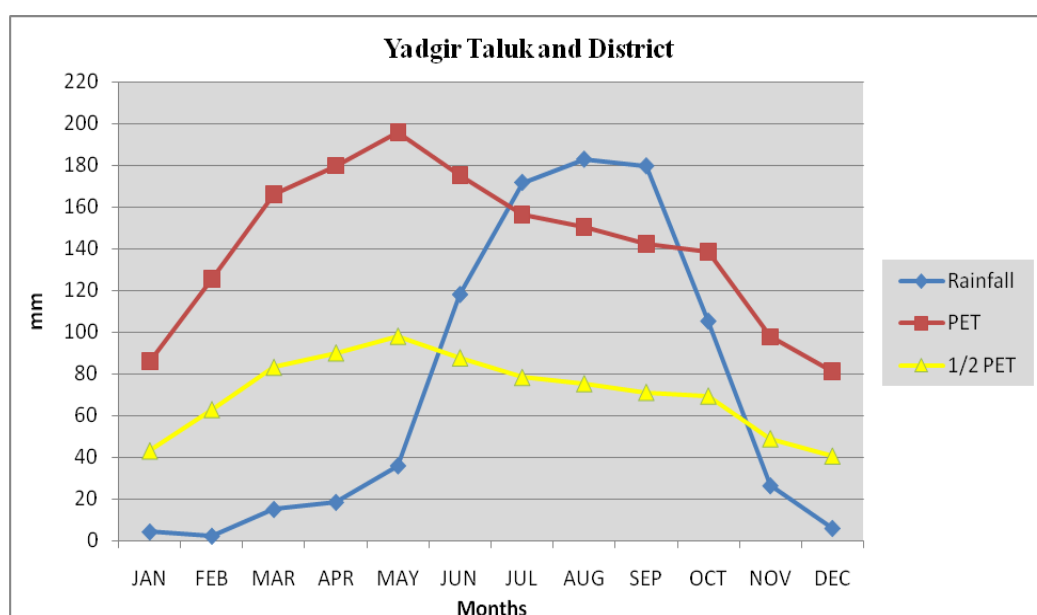
The area is drained by several parallel streams like Bori, Amerja and Kanga which finally join the river Bhima along its course. Though, they are not a perennial, during rainy season they carries large quantities of rain water. The microwatershed has only few small tanks which are not capable of storing the water that flows during the rainy season. Due to this, the ground water recharge is very much affected. This is reflected in the failure of many bore wells in the villages. If the available rain water is properly harnessed by constructing new tanks and recharge structures at appropriate places in the villages, then the drinking and irrigation needs of the area can be easily met. The drainage network is parallel to sub parallel and dendritic.

### **2.5 Climate**

The Yadgir district lies in the northern plains of Karnataka and falls under semiarid tract of the state and is categorized as drought- prone with total annual rainfall of 866 mm (Table 2.1). Of the total rainfall, maximum of 652 mm is received during the south-west monsoon period from June to September, the north-east monsoon from October to early December contributes about 138 mm, and the remaining 76 mm during the rest of the year. The summer season starts during the middle of February and continues up to the first week of June. The period from December to the middle of February is the coldest season. December is the coldest month with mean daily maximum and minimum temperatures being 29.5<sup>0</sup>C and 10<sup>0</sup>C respectively. During peak summer, temperature shoots up to 45<sup>0</sup>C. Relative humidity varies from 26% in summer to 62% in winter. Rainfall distribution is shown in Figure 2.3. The average Potential Evapo-Transpiration (PET) is 141 mm and varies from a low of 81 mm in December to 199 mm in the month of May. The PET is always higher than precipitation in all the months except end of June to end of September. Generally, the Length of crop Growing Period (LGP) is 120-150 days and starts from 1<sup>st</sup> week of June to 4<sup>th</sup> week of October.

**Table 2.1 Mean Monthly Rainfall, PET, 1/2 PET at Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District**

Sl.No.	Months	Rainfall	PET	1/2 PET
1	January	4.30	86.0	43.0
2	February	2.30	125.5	62.7
3	March	15.10	166.0	83.0
4	April	18.50	179.8	89.9
5	May	36.0	198.8	97.9
6	June	118.0	175.1	87.5
7	July	171.80	156.3	78.1
8	August	182.9	150.3	75.1
9	September	179.7	142.0	71.0
10	October	105.3	138.5	69.2
11	November	26.4	97.60	48.6
12	December	6.0	80.90	40.4
<b>Total</b>		<b>866.3</b>	<b>141.4</b>	



**Fig 2.3 Rainfall distribution in Yadgir Taluk, Yadgir District**

## 2.6 Natural Vegetation

The natural vegetation is sparse comprising few tree species, shrubs and herbs. The mounds, ridges and boulders occupy very sizeable area which is under thin to moderately thick forest vegetation. Still, there are some remnants of the past forest cover which can be seen in patches in some ridges and hillocks in the microwatershed.

Apart from the continuing deforestation, the presence of large population of goats, sheep and other cattle in the microwatershed is causing vegetative degradation of whatever little vegetation left in the area. The uncontrolled grazing has left no time for the regeneration of the vegetative cover. This leads to the accelerated rate of erosion on the hill slopes resulting in the formation of deep gullies in the foot slopes that eventually result in the heavy siltation of tanks and reservoirs in the microwatershed.

## 2.7 Land Utilization

About 72 per cent area (Table 2.2) in Yadgir district is cultivated at present. An area of about 2 per cent is permanently under pasture, 20 per cent under current fallows and 6 per cent under non-agricultural land and 5 per cent under currently barren. Forests occupy an area of about 7 per cent and the tree cover is in a very poor state. Most of the mounds, ridges and bouldery areas have very poor vegetative cover. Major crops grown in the area are sorghum, maize, cotton, sunflower, groundnut, red gram, mango, pomegranate, marigold and sapota. While carrying out land resource inventory, the land use/land cover particulars are collected from all the survey numbers and a current land use map of the microwatershed is prepared. The current land use map prepared shows the arable and non-arable lands, other land uses and different types of crops grown in the area. The current land use map of Dadal microwatershed is presented in Fig.2.4. The different crops and cropping systems adopted in the microwatershed is presented in the Figures 2.5 and 2.6. Simultaneously, enumeration of wells (bore wells and open wells) and other conservation structures in the microwatershed was made and their location in different survey numbers is located on the cadastral map. Map showing the location of wells structures and other water bodies in the Dadal microwatershed is given in Fig.2.7.

Table 2.2 Land Utilization in Yadgir District

Sl. No.	Agricultural land use	Area ( ha)	Per cent
1.	Total geographical area	516088	
2.	Total cultivated area	373617	72.4
3.	Area sown more than once	74081	14.3
4.	Trees and grooves	737	0.14
5.	Forest	33773	6.54
6.	Cultivable wasteland	2385	0.46
7.	Permanent Pasture land	11755	2.28
8.	Barren land	27954	5.41
9.	Non- Agriculture land	29623	5.73
10.	Current Fallows	105212	20.4



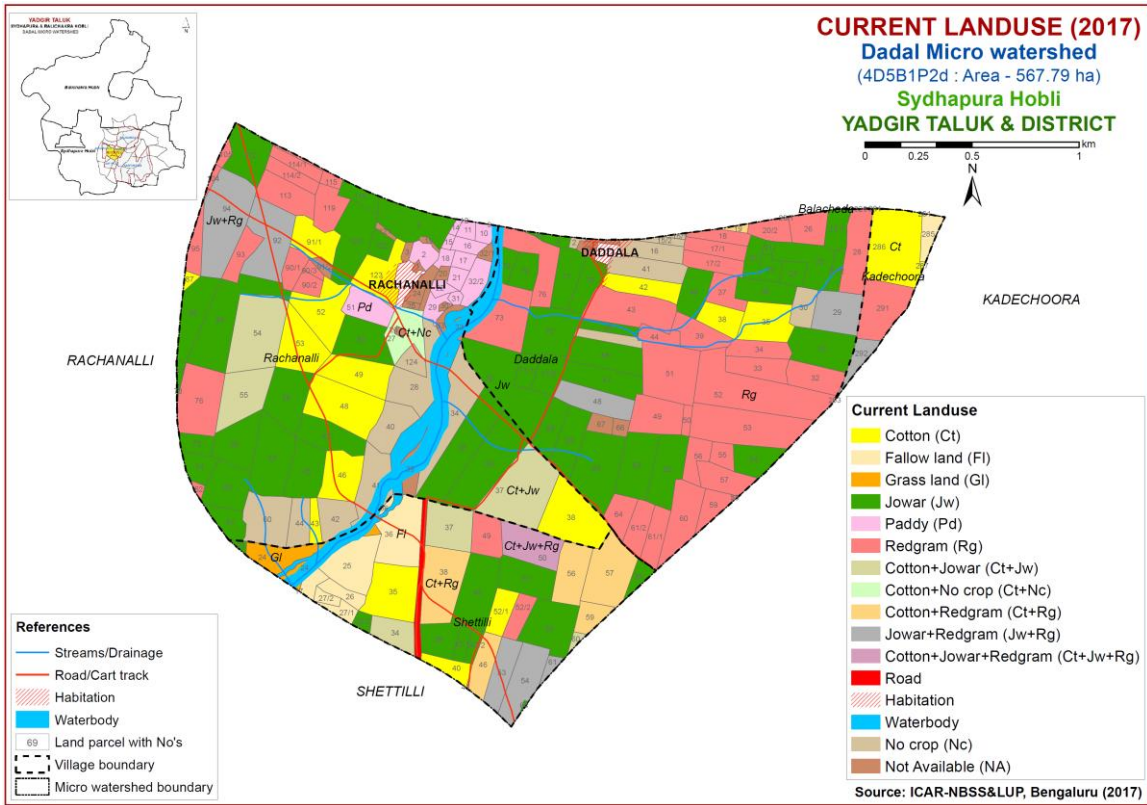


Fig.2.4 Current Land Use map of Dadal Microwatershed



Fig. 2.5. Different Crops and Cropping Systems in Dadal Microwatershed





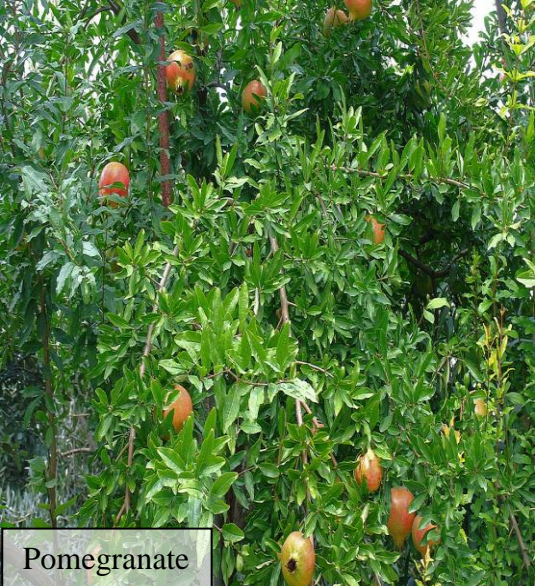
Sunflower



Groundnut



Mango



Pomegranate



Cotton



Sorghum

Fig. 2.6. Different Crops and Cropping Systems in Dadal Microwatershed



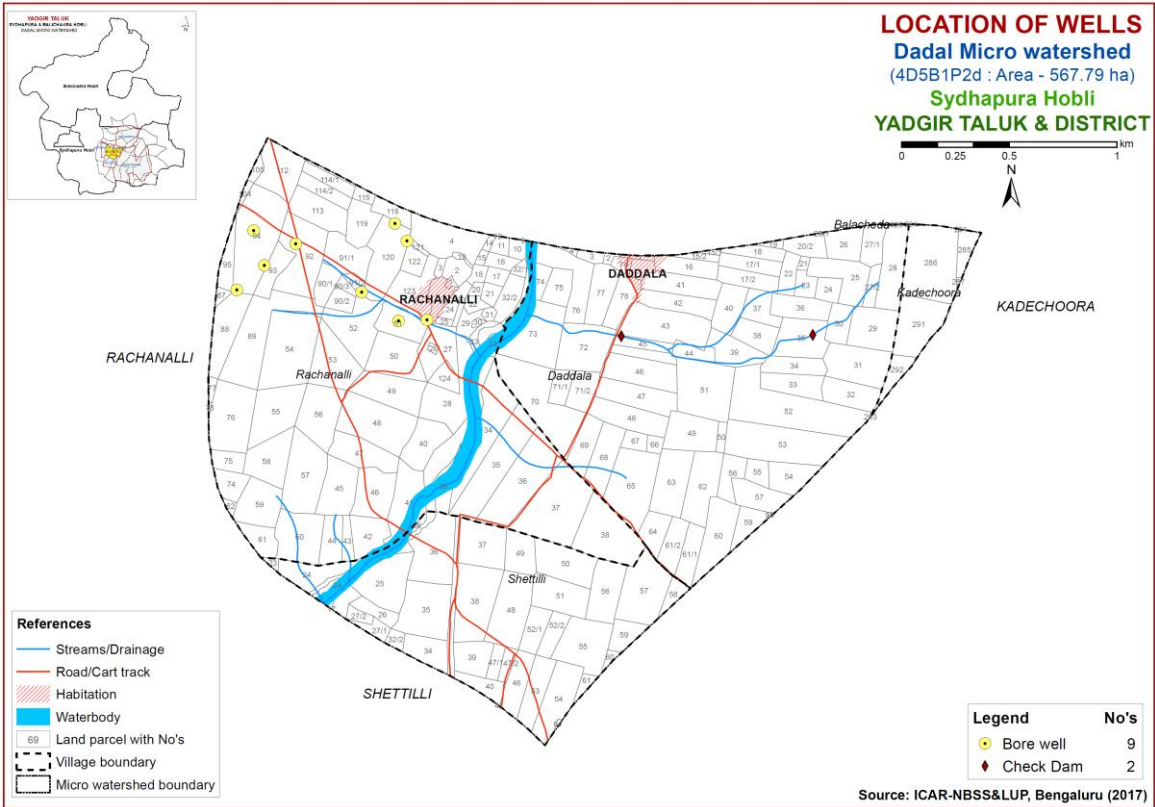


Fig.2.7 Location of Wells and other structures in Dadal Microwatershed

## SURVEY METHODOLOGY

The purpose of land resource inventory is to delineate similar areas (soil series and phases), which respond or expected to respond similarly to a given level of management. This was achieved in Dadal microwatershed by the detailed study of all the soil characteristics (depth, texture, colour, structure, consistence, coarse fragments, porosity, soil reaction, soil horizons etc.) and site (slope of the land, erosion, drainage, occurrence of rock fragments etc.) followed by grouping of similar areas based on soil-site characteristics into homogeneous (management units) units and showing their area extent and geographic distribution on the microwatershed cadastral map. The detailed survey at 1:7920 scale was carried out in 568 ha area. The methodology followed for carrying out land resource inventory was as per the guidelines given in Soil Survey Manual (IARI, 1971; Soil Survey Staff, 2006; Natarajan *et al.*, 2015) which is briefly described below.

### 3.1 Base Maps

The detailed survey of the land resources occurring in the microwatershed was carried out by using digitized cadastral map as a base. The cadastral map shows field boundaries with their survey numbers, location of tanks, streams and other permanent features of the area (Fig. 3.1). Apart from the cadastral map, remote sensing data products from Cartosat-1 and LISS-IV merged at the scale of 1:7920 were used in conjunction with the cadastral map to identify the rock types, the landscapes, landforms and other surface features. The imagery helped in the identification and delineation of boundaries between hills, uplands and lowlands, water bodies, forest and vegetated areas, roads, habitations and other cultural features of the area (Fig. 3.2). The cadastral map was overlaid on the satellite imagery (Fig.3.3) that helps to identify the parcel boundaries and other permanent features. Apart from cadastral maps and images, toposheets of the area (1:50,000 scale) were used for initial traversing, identification of geology and landforms, drainage features, present land use and also for selection of transects in the microwatershed.

### 3.2 Image Interpretation for Physiography

False Colour Composites (FCCs) of Cartosat-I and LISS-IV merged satellite data covering microwatershed area was visually interpreted using image interpretation elements and all the available collateral data with local knowledge. The delineated physiographic boundaries were transferred on to a cadastral map overlaid on satellite imagery. Physiographically, the area has been identified as granite and granite gneiss landscape and alluvial landscape. It was divided into five landforms, *viz*; ridges and mounds, gently and very gently sloping uplands and lowlands based on slope and image characteristics. They were further subdivided into physiographic/image interpretation

units based on image characteristics. The image interpretation legend for physiography is given below.

### **Image Interpretation Legend for Physiography**

#### **G- Granite Gneiss Landform**

G1	Hills/ Ridges/ Mounds
G11	Summits
G12	Side slopes
G121	Side slopes with dark grey tones
G2	Uplands
G21	Summits
G22	Gently sloping uplands
G221	Gently sloping uplands, yellowish green (eroded)
G222	Gently sloping uplands, yellowish white (severely eroded)
G23	Very gently sloping uplands
G231	Very gently sloping uplands, yellowish green
G232	Very gently sloping uplands, medium green and pink
G233	Very gently sloping uplands, pink and green (scrub land)
G234	Very gently sloping uplands, medium greenish grey
G235	Very gently sloping uplands, yellowish white (eroded)
G236	Very gently sloping uplands, dark green
G237	Very gently sloping uplands, medium pink (coconut garden)
G238	Very gently sloping uplands, pink and bluish white (eroded)
G24	Valleys/ lowlands
G241	Valleys, pink tones
G242	Valleys gray mixed with pink tones

#### **DSe – Alluvial plains**

##### **DSe 1 – Summit**

DSe 11 –

DSe 12 –

##### **DSe 2 – Very genetly sloping**

DSe 21 – Very gently sloping, dark gray tone

DSe 22 – Very gently sloping, medium gray tone

DSe 23 – Very gently sloping, yellowish grey tone

- DSe 24 – Very gently sloping, whitish grey tone
- DSe 25 – Very gently sloping, whitish/ eroded/ calcareous tone
- DSe 26- Very gently sloping, medium pink

**DSe 3 – Valley/ Lowland**

- DSe 31 – Whitish gray/Calcareous
- DSe 32 – Gray with pink patches
- DSe 33 – Medium gray tone
- DSe 34 – Lightish gray tone
- DSe 35 – Dark gray tone

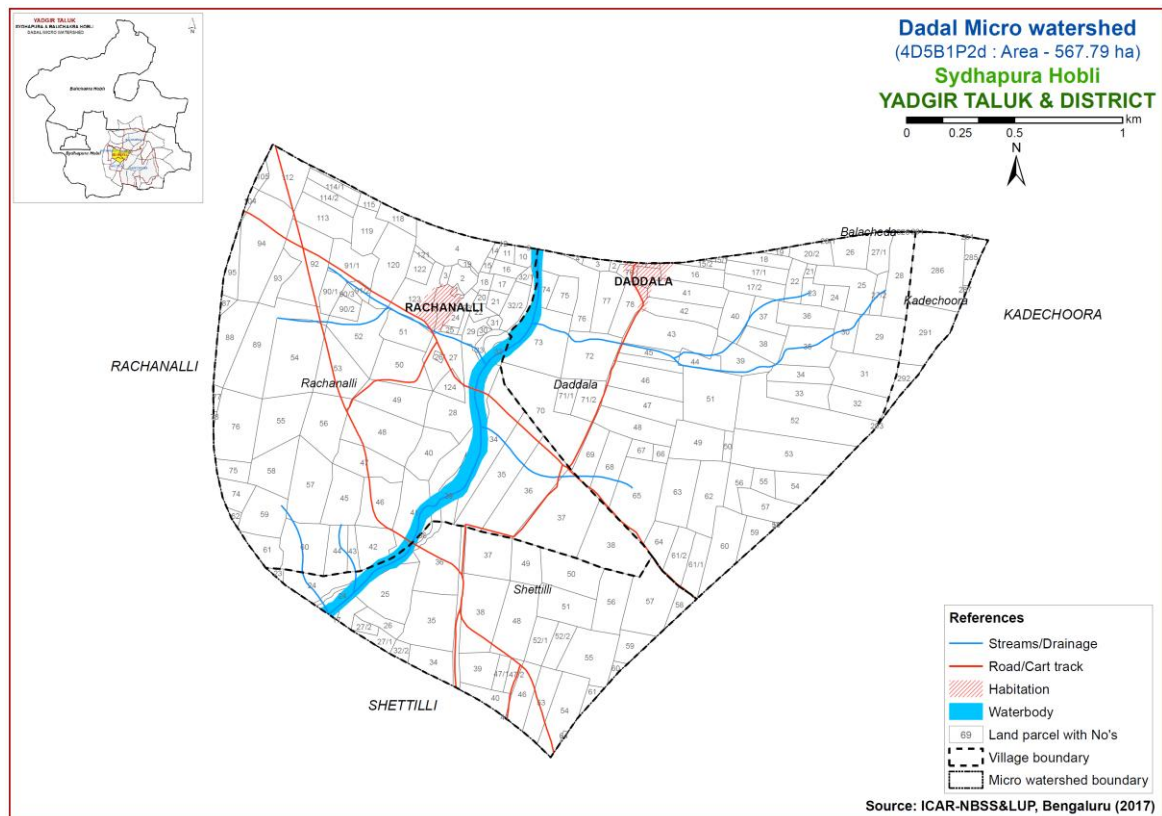


Fig 3.1 Scanned and Digitized Cadastral map of Dadal Microwatershed

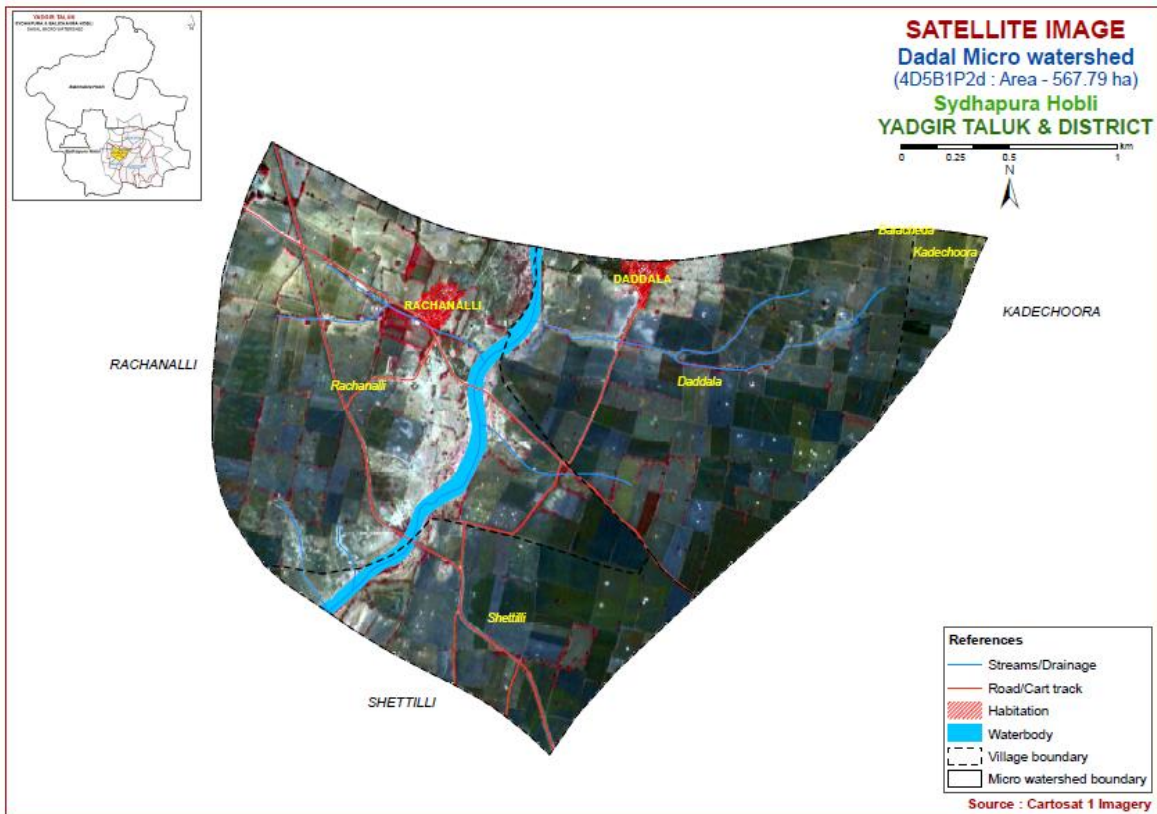


Fig.3.2 Satellite Image of Dadal Microwatershed

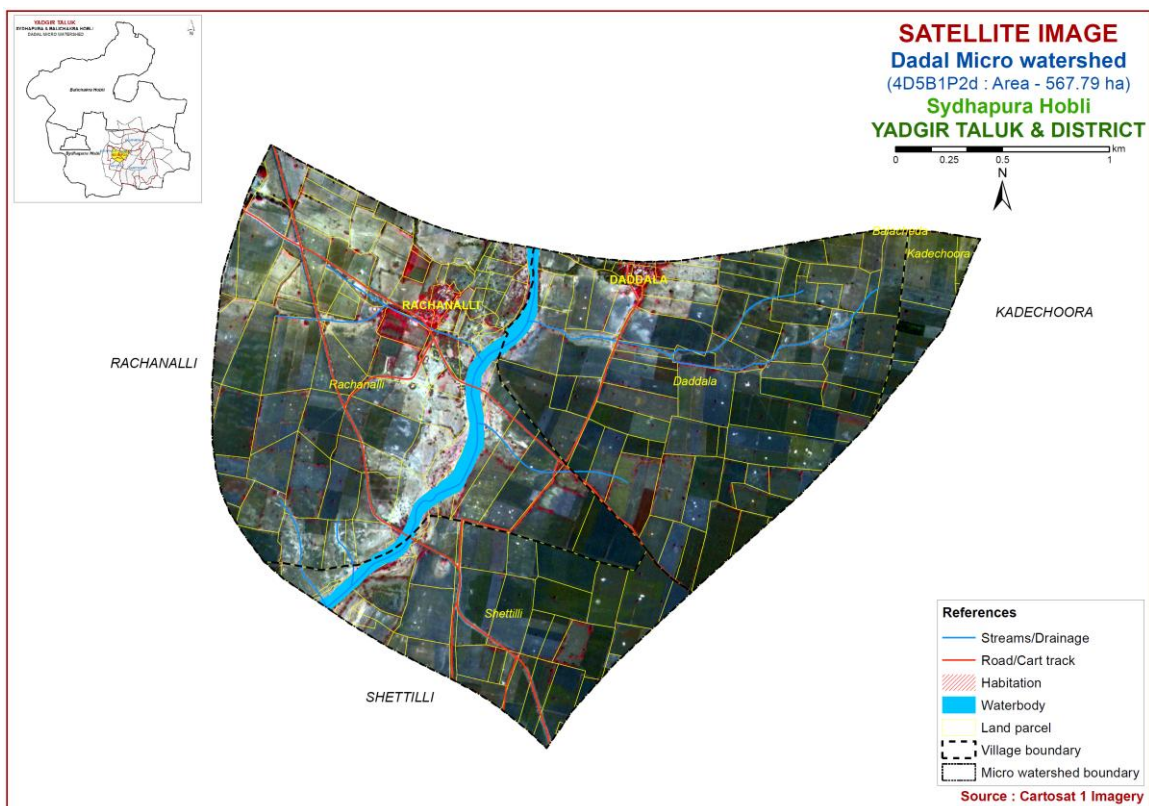


Fig.3.3 Cadastral map overlaid on IRS PAN+LISS IV merged imagery of Dadal Microwatershed

### 3.3 Field Investigation

Preliminary traverse of the microwatershed was carried out with the help of cadastral map, imagery and toposheets. While traversing, landforms and physiographic units identified were checked and preliminary soil legend was prepared by studying soils at a few selected places. The field boundaries and survey numbers given on the cadastral sheet were located on the ground by following permanent features like roads, cart tracks, nallas, streams, tanks etc., and wherever changes were noticed, they were incorporated on the microwatershed cadastral map. Then, intensive traversing of each physiographic unit like hills, ridges and uplands was carried out. Based on the variability observed on the surface, transects were selected across the slope covering all the landform units in the microwatershed (Natarajan and Dipak Sarkar, 2010).

In the selected transect, soil profiles were located at closely spaced intervals to take care of any change in the land features like break in slope, erosion, gravel, stones etc. In the selected sites, profiles (vertical cut showing the soil layers from surface to the rock) were opened up to 200 cm or to the depth limited by rock or hard substratum and studied in detail for all their morphological and physical characteristics. The soil and site characteristics were recorded for all profile sites on a standard proforma as per the guidelines given in USDA Soil Survey Manual (Soil Survey Staff, 2012). Apart from the transect study, profiles were also studied at random, almost like in a grid pattern, outside the transect areas.

Based on the soil-site characteristics, the soils were grouped into different soil series (soil series is the most homogeneous unit having similar horizons and properties and behaves similarly for a given level of management). Soil depth, texture, colour, kind of horizon and horizon sequence, amount and nature of gravel present, nature of substratum etc, were used as the major differentiating characteristics for identifying soil series occurring in the area. The differentiating characteristics used for identifying soil series are given in Table 3.1. Based on the above characteristics, 9 soil series were identified in the Dadal microwatershed.

**Table 3.1 Differentiating Characteristics used for Identifying Soil Series**  
(Characteristics are of Series Control Section)

<b>SOILS OF GRANITE AND GRANITE GNEISS LANDSCAPE</b>							
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Soil Series</b>	<b>Depth (cm)</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Texture</b>	<b>Gravel (%)</b>	<b>Horizon sequence</b>	<b>Calcareousness</b>
1	Halegera (HLG)	50-75	10YR3/2,4/4 7.5YR4/3, 4/2	Scl-sc	-	Ap- Bw	2-3
2	Yalleri (YLR)	50-75	2.5YR3/4, 4/4 5YR3/4, 7.5YR4/4	sc	15-35	Ap-Bt	-
<b>SOIL OF ALLUVIAL LANDSCAPE</b>							
1	Gudalagunta (GDL)	25-50	10YR3/1	Sc-c	-	Ap- Bw	1-2
2	Kyathanala (KYT)	25-50	7.5YR4/4,5/6 5YR3/3,4/4	Scl-sc	-	Ap- Bw	-
3	Balched (BLD)	50-75	10YR3/2,2/1	c	-	Ap- Bw	1-2
4	Rachanalli (RHN)	75-100	10YR3/2,4/3	Sc-c	-	Ap- Bw	1-2
5	Kadlura (KDR)	100-150	10YR3/1,3/2,4/1, 5/2	Sc-c	-	Ap- Bw	1-2
6	Sowrashtrahalli (SWR)	100-150	10YR4/1,3/2,3/1	c		Ap- Bss	1-2
7	Hegganakera (HGN)	>150	10YR4/2,4/1,3/1, 4/1	c		Ap- Bss	1-2



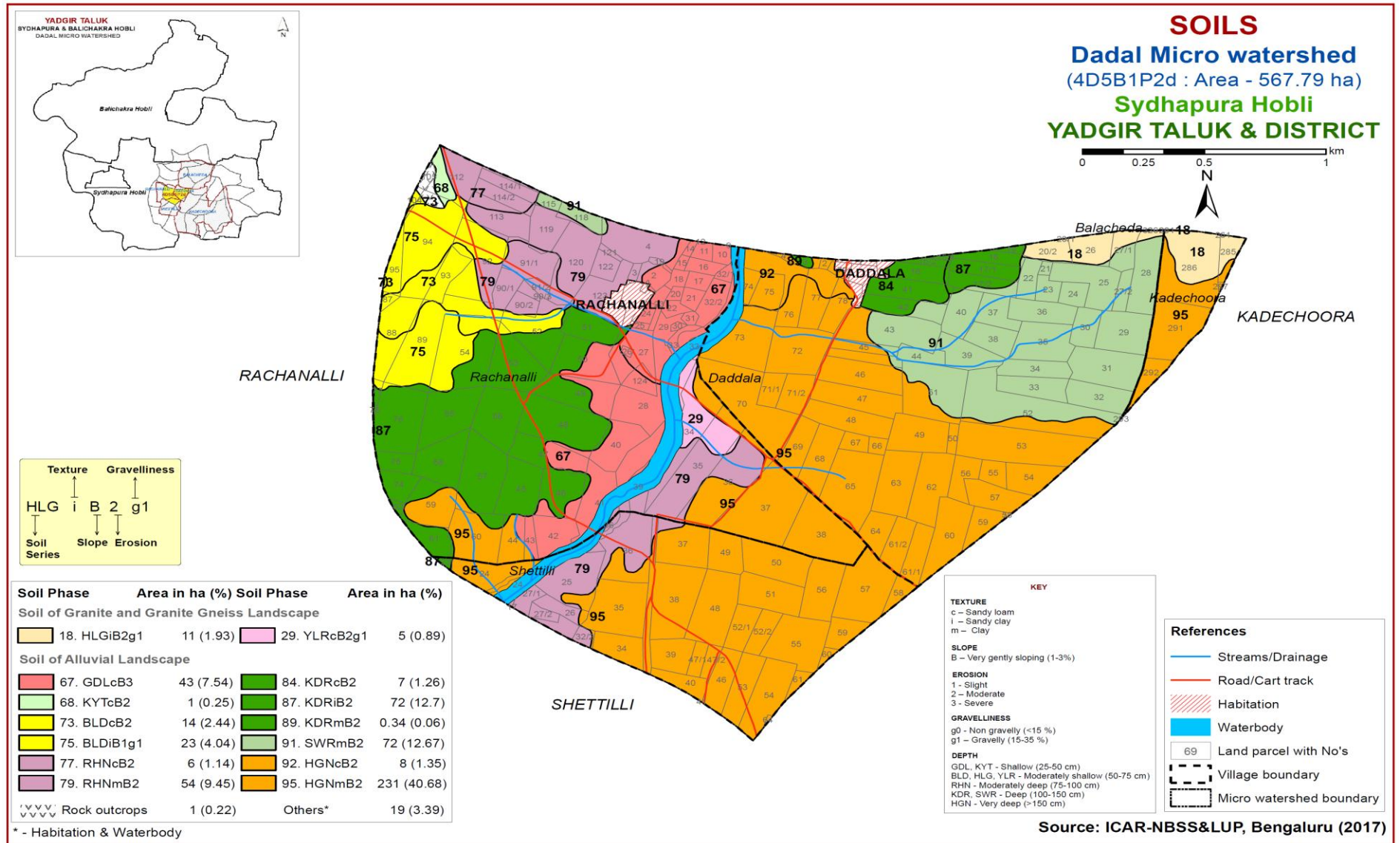


Fig 3.4 Soil phase or management units map of Dadal Microwatershed



### **3.4 Laboratory Characterization**

Soil samples were collected from representative master profiles for laboratory characterization by following the methods outlined in the Laboratory Manual (Sarma *et al.*, 1987). Surface soil samples collected in the year 2017 from farmer's fields (28 samples) for fertility status (major and micronutrients) at 250 m grid interval were analyzed in the laboratory. (Katyal and Rattan, 2003) By linking the soil fertility data to the survey numbers through GIS, soil fertility maps for 11 elements including pH and EC were generated using kriging for the microwatershed.

### **3.5 Finalization of Soil Maps**

The area under each soil series was further separated and mapped as soil phases and their boundaries delineated on the cadastral map based on the variations observed in the texture of the surface soil, slope, erosion, presence of gravel, stoniness etc. A soil phase is a subdivision of soil series based mostly on surface features that affect its use and management.

The soil mapping units are shown on the map (Fig.3.4) in the form of symbols. During the survey about 9 profile pits, few minipits and a few auger bores representing different landforms occurring in the microwatershed were studied. All the profile locations are indicated on the village cadastral map in the form of a triangle. In addition to the profile study, spot observations in the form of minipits, road cuts, terrace cuts etc., were studied to validate the soil boundaries on the soil map. The soil map shows the geographic distribution of 15 mapping units representing 9 soil series occurring in the microwatershed. The soil map unit (soil legend) description is presented in Table 3.2.

The soil phase map (management units) shows the distribution of 15 phases identified and mapped in the microwatershed. Each mapping unit (soil phase) delineated on the map has similar soil and site characteristics. In other words, all the farms or survey numbers included in one phase will have similar management needs and they have to be treated accordingly.

The 15 soil phases identified and mapped in the microwatershed were regrouped into 4 land use classes (LUC's) for the purpose of preparing a proposed crop plan for sustained development of the microwatershed. The database (soil phases) generated under LRI was utilized for identifying land use classes (LUC's) based on the management needs. One or more than one soil site characteristic having influence on the management have been chosen for identification and delineation of LUCs. For Dadal microwatershed, five soil and site characteristics, namely soil depth, soil texture, slope, erosion and gravel content have been considered for defining LUCs. The land use classes are expected to behave similarly for a given level of management.

**Table 3.2 Soil Map Unit description of Dadal microwatershed**

Soil Series	Map Symbol	Soil Map Unit	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
<b>Soil of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape</b>				
HLG	Halagere soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark grayish brown to dark yellowish brown, calcareous sandy clay to clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.			<b>11.0 (1.93)</b>
1	HLGiB 2g1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)		11.0 (1.93)
YLR	Yalleri soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have very dark reddish brown to dark brown gravelly sandy clay red soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.			<b>5.0 (0.89)</b>
2	YLRcB 2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)		5.0 (0.89)
<b>Soil of Alluvial Landscape</b>				
GDL	Gudalagunta soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have very dark gray, calcareous cracking sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.			<b>43.0 (7.54)</b>
3	GDLcB 3	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion		43.0 (7.54)
KYT	Kyathanala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark brown to strong brown and dark reddish brown sandy clay loam to sandy clay calcareous soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.			<b>1.0 (0.25)</b>
4	KYTcB 2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion		1.0 (0.25)
BLD	Balched soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have black to very dark grayish brown calcareous clay soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping plains under cultivation.			<b>37.0 (6.48)</b>
5	BLDcB 2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion		14.0 (2.44)
6	BLDiB1 g1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)		23.0 (4.04)
RHN	Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), moderately			<b>60.0</b>

		well drained, very dark grayish brown to dark brown calcareous cracking sandy clay and clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping plains under cultivation.	<b>(10.59)</b>
7	RHNcB 2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	6.0 (1.14)
8	RHNm B2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	54.0 (9.45)
KDR		Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, very dark gray to grayish brown, calcareous cracking sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation.	<b>79.34 (14.02)</b>
9	KDRcB 2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	7.0 (1.26)
10	KDRiB 2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	72.0 (12.7)
11	KDRm B2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	0.34 (0.06)
SWR		Sowrashtrahalli soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, very dark gray to dark gray calcareous black cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.	<b>72.0 (12.67)</b>
12	SWRm B2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	72.0 (12.67)
HGN		Hegganakera soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, very dark gray to dark grayish brown calcareous black cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.	<b>239.0 (42.03)</b>
13	HGNcB 2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	8.0 (1.35)
14	HGNm B2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	231.0 (40.68)
15		Rock lands	1.0 (0.22)
<b>MISCELLANEOUS LAND</b>			
	Others		19.0 (3.39)



## THE SOILS

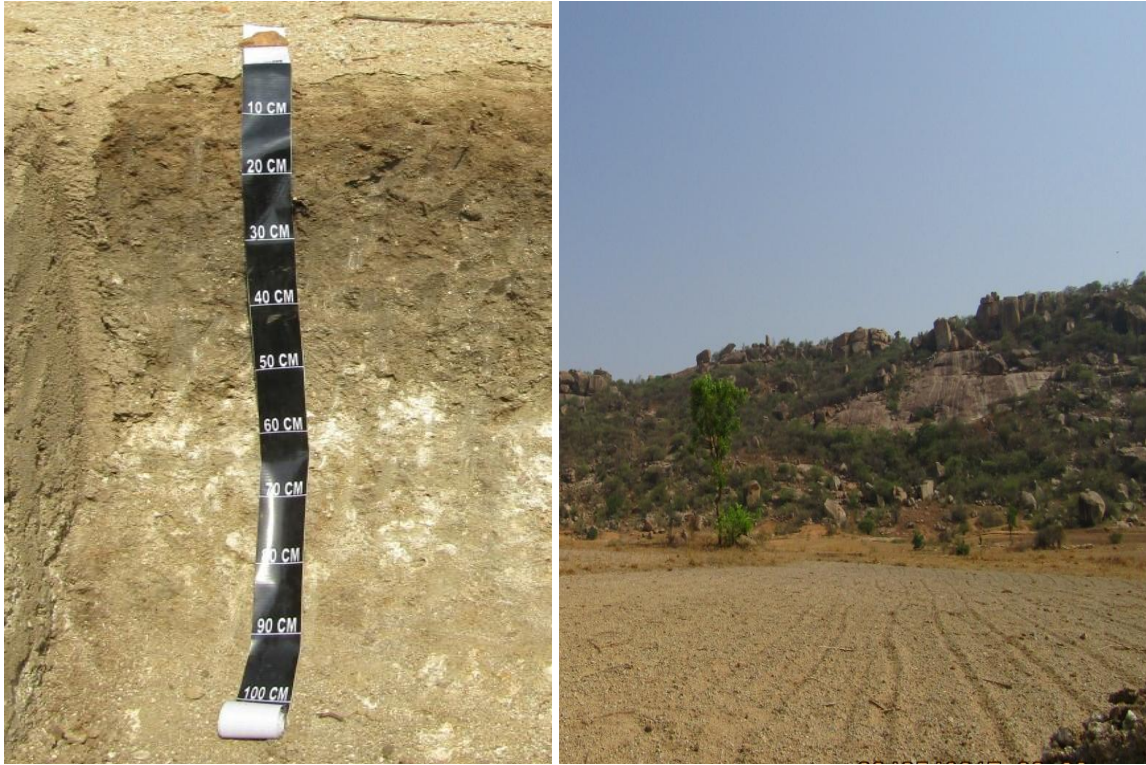
Detailed information pertaining to the nature, extent and distribution of different kinds of soils occurring in Dadal microwatershed is provided in this chapter. The microwatershed area has been identified as granite gneiss and alluvial landscape. In all, 9 soil series were identified in these landscapes. Soil formation is the result of the combined effect of environmental and terrain factors that are reflected in soil morphology. In the granite gneiss and alluvial landscapes, it is by parent material, time and climate. A brief description of each of the 9 soil series identified followed by 15 soil phases (management units) mapped under each series are furnished below. The soils in any one map unit differ from place to place in their depth, texture, slope, gravelliness, erosion or any other site characteristics that affect management. The soil phase map can be used for identifying the suitability of areas for growing specific crops or for other alternative uses and also for deciding the type of conservation structures needed. The detailed information on soil and site-characteristics like soil depth, surface soil texture, slope, erosion, gravelliness, AWC, LCC etc, with respect to each of the soil phase identified is given village/survey number wise for the microwatershed in Appendix-I.

### **4.1 Soils of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape**

In this landscape, 2 soil series are identified and mapped and occupy small area in the microwatershed. Halagere (HGL) soil series occupies an area of about 11 ha (2%) followed by Yalleri (YLR) about 5 ha (1%). The brief description of these two series along with the soil phases identified and mapped is given below.

**4.1.1 Halagere (HLG) Series:** Halagere soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark grayish brown to dark yellowish brown, calcareous sandy clay to clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 51 to 75 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 9 to 15 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 2 to 4. The texture is loamy sand to sandy clay loam. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 44 to 66 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 2 to 3. Its texture is sandy clay loam to clay loam and sandy clay. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Halagere (HLG) Series

**4.1.2 Yalleri (YLR) Series:** Yalleri soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have very dark reddish brown to dark brown gravelly sandy clay red soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 50 to 74 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 10 to 13 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 5 YR hue with value and chroma 2 to 4. The texture is sandy loam, loamy sand, and sandy clay loam. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 45 to 64 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR, 7.5 YR and 5 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 2 to 4. Its texture is sandy clay with gravel content of 15-35 per cent. The available water capacity is very low (<50 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.





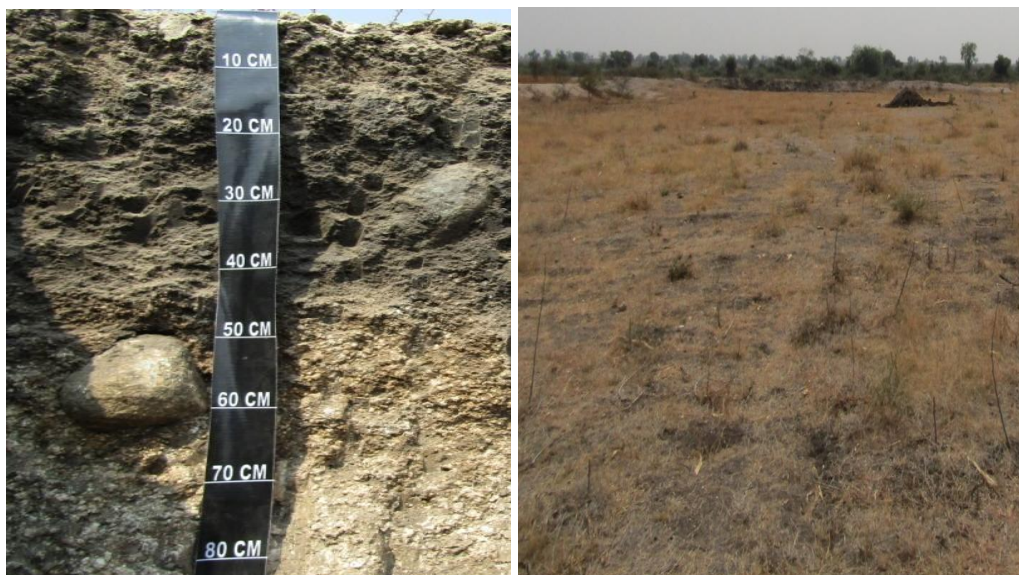
Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Yalleri (YLR) Series

#### 4.2 Soils of Alluvial Landscape

In this landscape, 7 soil series are identified and mapped. Kadlura Hegganakera (HGN) soil series occupies major area of about 239 ha (42%) followed by Kadlura (KDR) about 79 ha (14%). The brief description of each soil series along with the soil phases identified and mapped is given below.

**4.2.1 Gudalagunta (GDL) Series:** Gudalagunta soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have very dark gray, calcareous cracking sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 26 to 49 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 6 to 13 cm. Its colour is in 10YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3. The texture is sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 22 to 42 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. Its texture is clay and is calcareous. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Gudalagunta (GDL) Series

**4.2.2 Kyathanala (KYT) Series:** Kyathanala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark brown to strong brown and dark reddish brown sandy clay loam to sandy clay calcareous soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 25 to 49 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 5 to 11 cm. Its colour is in 5YR hue with value and chroma of 3 to 4. The texture is sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 20 to 44 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 4 to 6. Its texture is sandy clay loam to sandy clay. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.

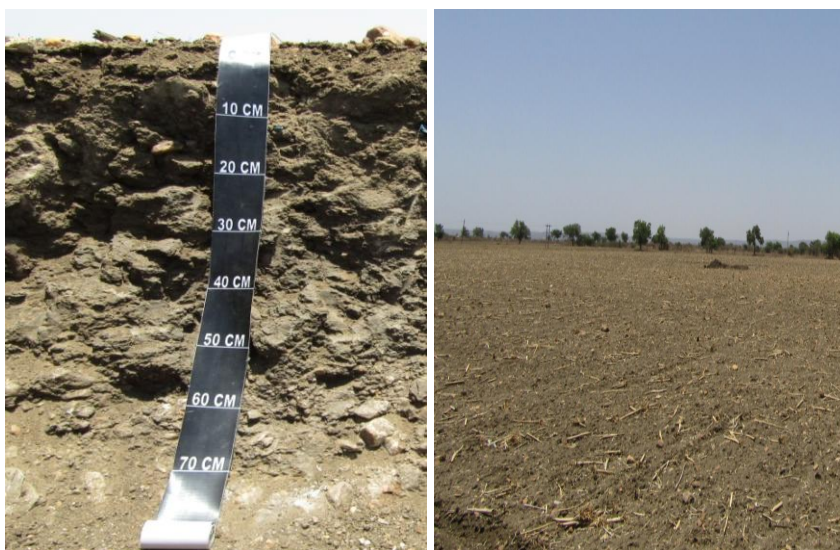


Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Kyathanala (KYT) Series



**4.2.3 Balched (BLD) Series:** Balched soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have black to very dark grayish brown calcareous cracking clay soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 50-75 cm. Thickness of A horizon ranges from 5 to 10 cm. Its colour is in hue 10 YR and 7.5 YR with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3. The texture varies from sandy clay to clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 41 to 69 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. The texture is dominantly clay and is calcareous. The available water capacity is high (150-200 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Balched (BLD) Series

**4.2.4 Rachanalli (RHN) Series:** Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), moderately well drained, very dark grayish brown to dark brown sandy clay calcareous cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 76 to 100 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 6 to 13 cm. Its colour is in hue 10 YR with value 3 to 4 and chroma 2 to 4. Its texture varies from sandy loam to sandy clay loam and sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 66 to 92 cm. Its colour is in hue 10 YR with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3. Its texture is sandy clay and clay. The available water capacity is high (150-200 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Rachanalli (RHN) Series

**4.2.5 Kadlura (KDR) Series:** Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, very dark gray to grayish brown, calcareous cracking sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

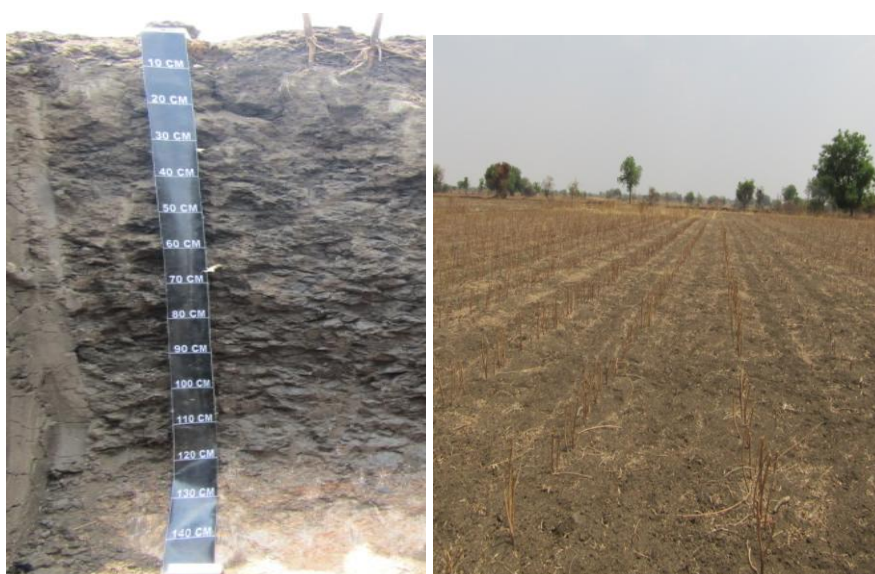
The thickness of the solum ranges from 110 to 149 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 6 to 22 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. The texture ranges from sandy loam, sandy clay loam, sandy clay and clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 115 to 143 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3. Texture is sandy clay loam, sandy clay to clay and is calcareous in nature. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Three phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Kudlura (KDR) Series

**4.2.6 Sowrashtrahalli (SWR) Series:** Sowrashtrahalli soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained very dark gray to dark gray calcareous black cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 107 to 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 7 to 13 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. The texture varies from sandy clay to clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 104 to 142 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. The texture is clay and is calcareous. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.

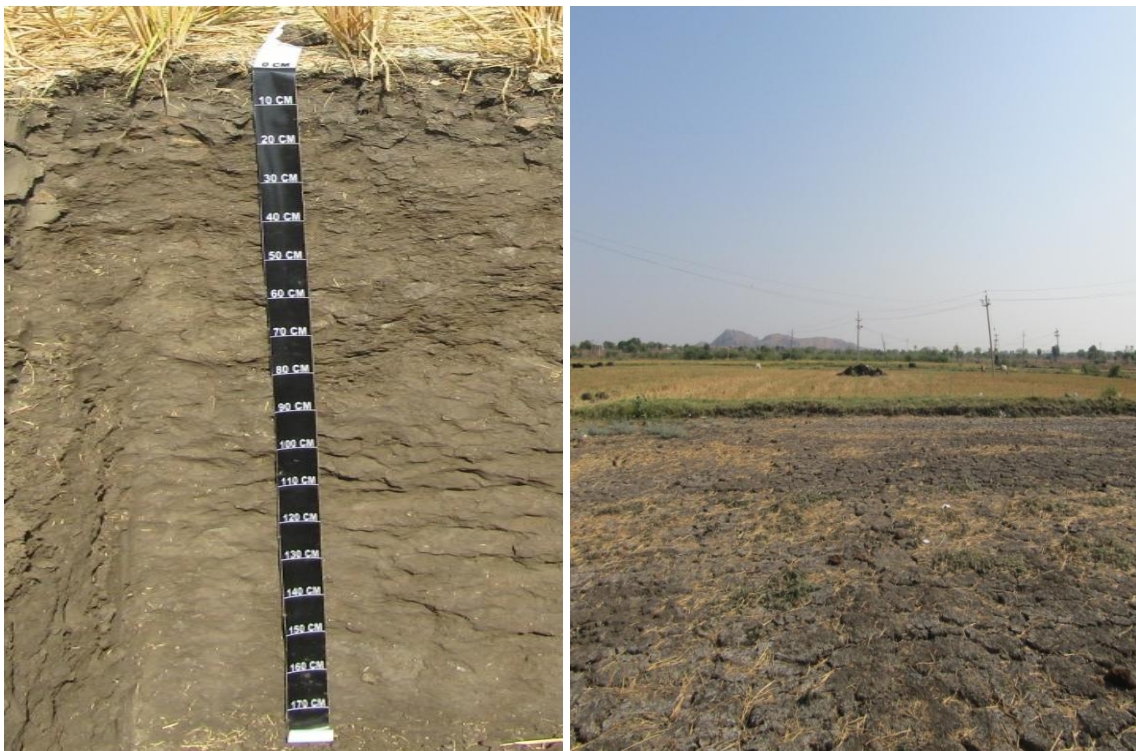


Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Sowrashtrahalli (SWR) Series



**4.2.7 Hegganakera (HGN) Series:** Hegganakera soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, very dark gray to dark grayish brown calcareous black cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation.

The thickness of the solum is more than 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 7 to 9 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3 with clay texture. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 152 to 175 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 1 to 3. Its texture is clay. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Hegganakera (HGN) Series

## INTERPRETATION FOR LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The most important soil and site characteristics that affect the land use and conservation needs of an area are land capability, soil depth, soil texture, coarse fragments, available water capacity, soil slope, soil erosion, soil reaction etc. These are interpreted from the data base generated through land resource inventory and several thematic maps are generated. These would help in identifying the areas suitable for growing crops and, soil and water conservation measures and structures needed thus helping to maintain good soil health for sustained crop production. The various thematic maps generated are described below.

### 5.1 Land Capability Classification

Land capability classification is an interpretative grouping of soil map units (soil phases) mainly based on inherent soil characteristics, external land features and environmental factors that limit the use of land for agriculture, pasture, forestry, or other uses on a sustained basis (IARI, 1971). The land and soil characteristics used to group the land resources in an area into various land capability classes, subclasses and units are

*Land characteristics:* Slope, erosion, drainage, rock outcrops.

*Climate:* Total rainfall and its distribution, and length of crop growing period.

The Land capability classification system is divided into land capability classes, subclasses and units based on the level of information available. Eight land capability classes are recognized. They are

*Class I:* They are very good lands that have no limitations or very few limitations that restrict their use.

*Class II:* They are good lands that have minor limitations and require moderate conservation practices.

*Class III:* They are moderately good lands that have moderate limitations that reduce the choice of crops or that require special conservation practices.

*Class IV:* They are fairly good lands that have very severe limitations that reduce the choice of crops or that require very careful management.

*Class V:* Soils in these lands are not likely to erode, but have other limitations like wetness that are impractical to remove and as such not suitable for agriculture, but suitable for pasture or forestry with minor limitations.

*Class VI:* The lands have severe limitations that make them generally unsuitable for cultivation, but suitable for pasture or forestry with moderate limitations.

*Class VII:* The lands have very severe limitations that make them unsuitable for cultivation, but suitable for pasture or forestry with major limitations.

*Class VIII:* Soil and other miscellaneous areas (rock lands) that have very severe limitations that nearly preclude their use for any crop production, but suitable for wildlife, recreation and installation of wind mills.

The land capability subclasses are recognised based on the dominant limitations observed within a given land capability class. The subclasses are designated by adding a lower case letter like ‘e’, ‘w’, ‘s’, or ‘c’ to the class numeral. The subclass “e” indicates that the main hazard is risk of erosion, “w” indicates drainage or wetness as a limitation for plant growth, “s” indicates shallow soil depth, coarse or heavy textures, calcareousness, salinity/alkali or gravelliness and “c” indicates limitation due to climate.

The land capability subclasses have been further subdivided into land capability units based on the kinds of limitations present in each subclass. Ten land capability units are used in grouping the soil map units. They are stony or rocky (0), erosion hazard (slope, erosion) (1), coarse texture (sand, loamy sand, sandy loam) (2), fine texture (cracking clay, silty clay) (3), slowly permeable subsoil (4), coarse underlying material (5), salinity/alkali (6), stagnation, overflow, high ground water table (7), soil depth (8) and fertility problems (9). The capability units thus identified have similar soil and land characteristics that respond similarly to a given level of management. The soils of the microwatershed have been classified upto land capability subclass level.

The 15 soil map units identified in the Dadal microwatershed are grouped under 2 land capability classes and 3 land capability subclasses. About 96 per cent area in the microwatershed is suitable for agriculture (Fig. 5.1) and 4 per cent is not suitable for agriculture but well suited for grazing or forestry, recreation and wildlife.

Good cultivable lands (Class II) cover about 89 per cent area and are distributed in all parts of the micowatershed with minor problems of soil and erosion. Moderately good cultivable lands (Class III) cover an area of about 8 per cent and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed with moderate problems of soil and erosion.



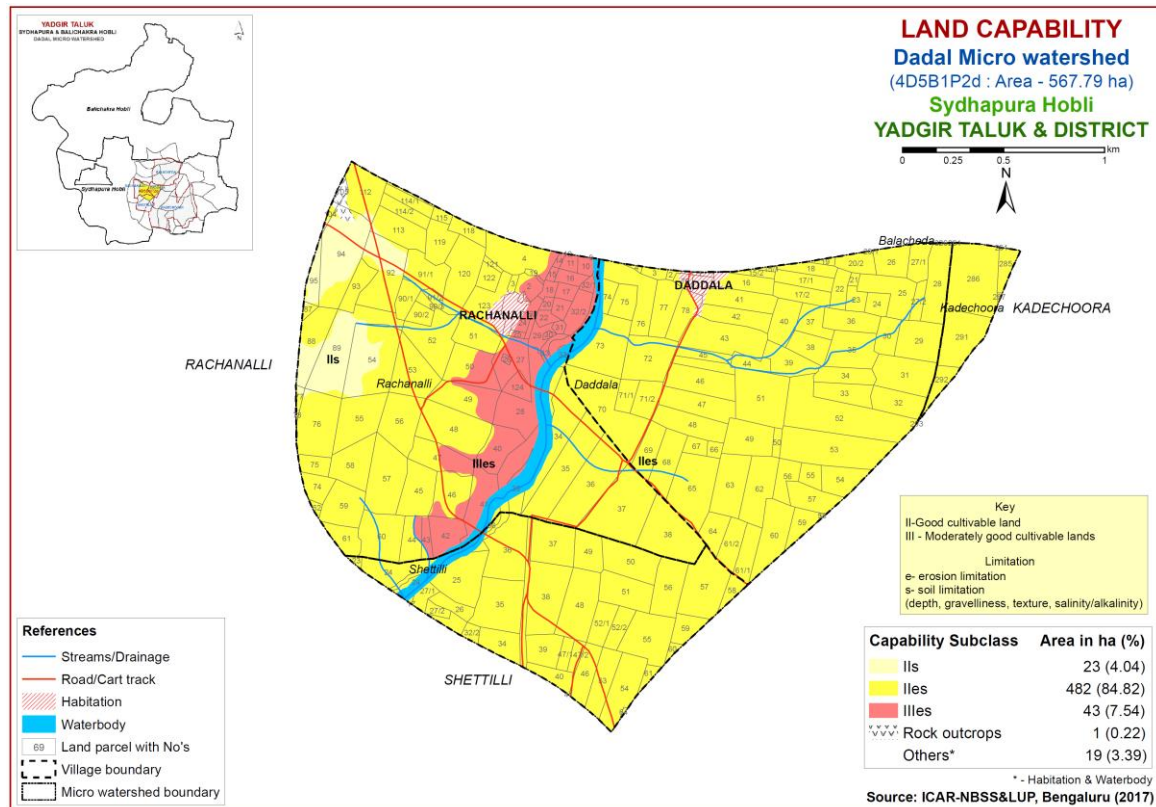


Fig. 5.1 Land Capability map of Dadal Microwatershed

## 5.2 Soil Depth

Soil depth refers to the depth of the soil occurring above the parent material or hard rock. The depth of the soil determines the effective rooting depth for plants and in accordance with soil texture, mineralogy and gravel content, the capacity of the soil column to hold water and nutrient availability. Soil depth is one of the most important soil characteristic that is used in differentiating soils into different soil series. The soil depth classes used in identifying soils in the field are very shallow (<25 cm), shallow (25-50 cm), moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately deep (75-100 cm), deep (100-150 cm) and very deep (>150 cm). They were used to classify the soils into different depth classes and a soil depth map was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is shown in the Figure 5.2.

Deep soils (100-150 cm) occur in about 152 ha (27%) and are distributed in the northeastern, western and northwestern part of the microwatershed. Very deep soils (>150 cm) occur in maximum area of about 239 ha (42%) and are distributed in the southern, northern, eastern, northeastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. Moderately deep soils (75-100 cm) occur in an area of about 60 ha (11%) and are distributed in the southwestern, central and northwestern part of the microwatershed. An area of about 53 ha (9%) is moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm) and are distributed in the northwestern, northeastern and central part of the microwatershed. Shallow soils (25-50 cm) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central, northern and western part of the microwatershed.

The most productive lands covering about 391 ha (69%) with respect to soil rooting depth where all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown are deep (100-150 cm) to very deep (>150 cm) occurring in all parts of the microwatershed.

The most problem lands with an area of about 44 ha (8%) having shallow (25-50 cm) rooting depth occur in the central, northern and western part of the microwatershed. They are not suitable for growing agricultural crops but well suited for pasture, forestry or other recreational purposes. Occasionally, short duration crops may be grown if rainfall is normal.

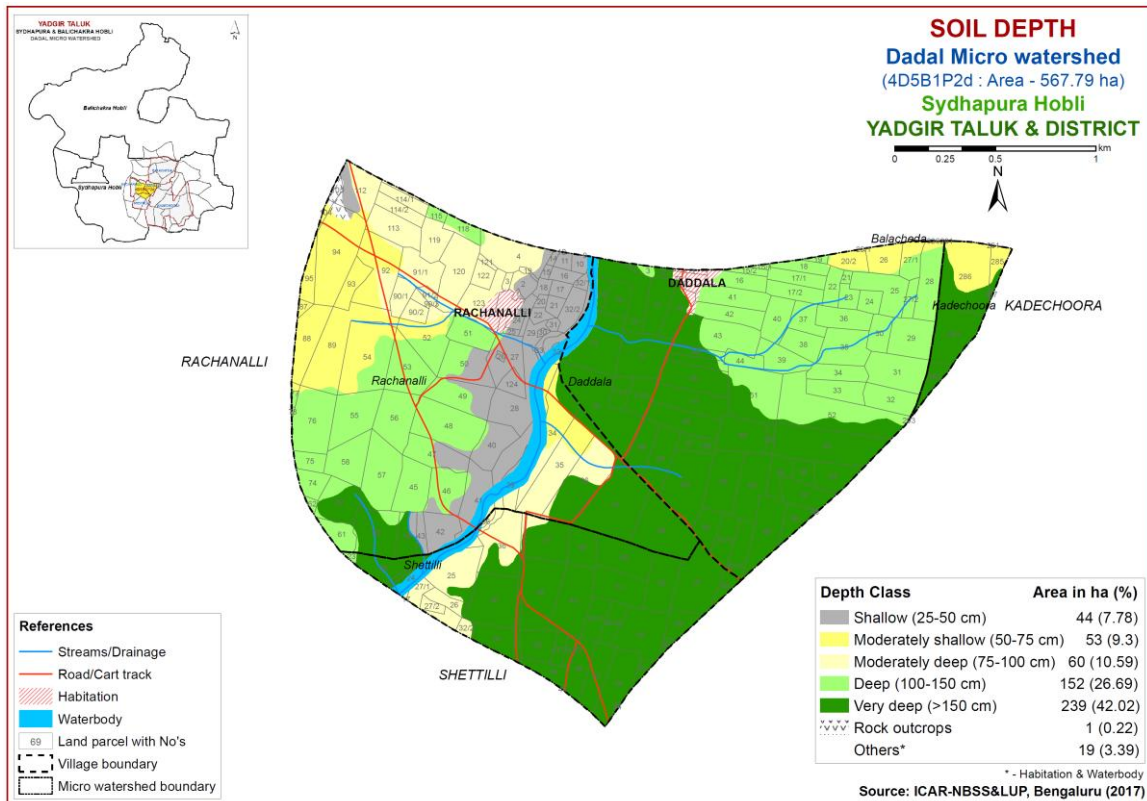


Fig. 5.2 Soil Depth map of Dadal Microwatershed

### 5.3 Surface Soil Texture

Texture is an expression to indicate the coarseness or fineness of the soil as determined by the relative proportion of primary particles of sand, silt and clay. It has a direct bearing on the structure, porosity, adhesion and consistence. The surface layer of a soil to a depth of about 25 cm is the layer that is most used by crops and plants. The surface soil textural class provides a guide to understanding soil-water retention and availability, nutrient holding capacity, infiltration, workability, drainage, physical and chemical behaviour, microbial activity and crop suitability. The textural classes used for LRI were used to classify and a surface soil texture map was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Figure 5.3.

Maximum area of about 463 ha (81%) is clayey soils and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Loamy soils occupy an area of about 84 ha (15%) distributed in the central, northern, northwestern and northeastern part of the microwatershed.

The most productive lands (86%) with respect to surface soil texture are the loamy and clayey soils (Fig. 5.3). Clayey soils high potential for soil-water retention and availability, and nutrient retention and availability, but have more problems of drainage, infiltration, workability and other physical problems, whereas loamy soils have no problems of drainage, infiltration, workability and other physical problems.

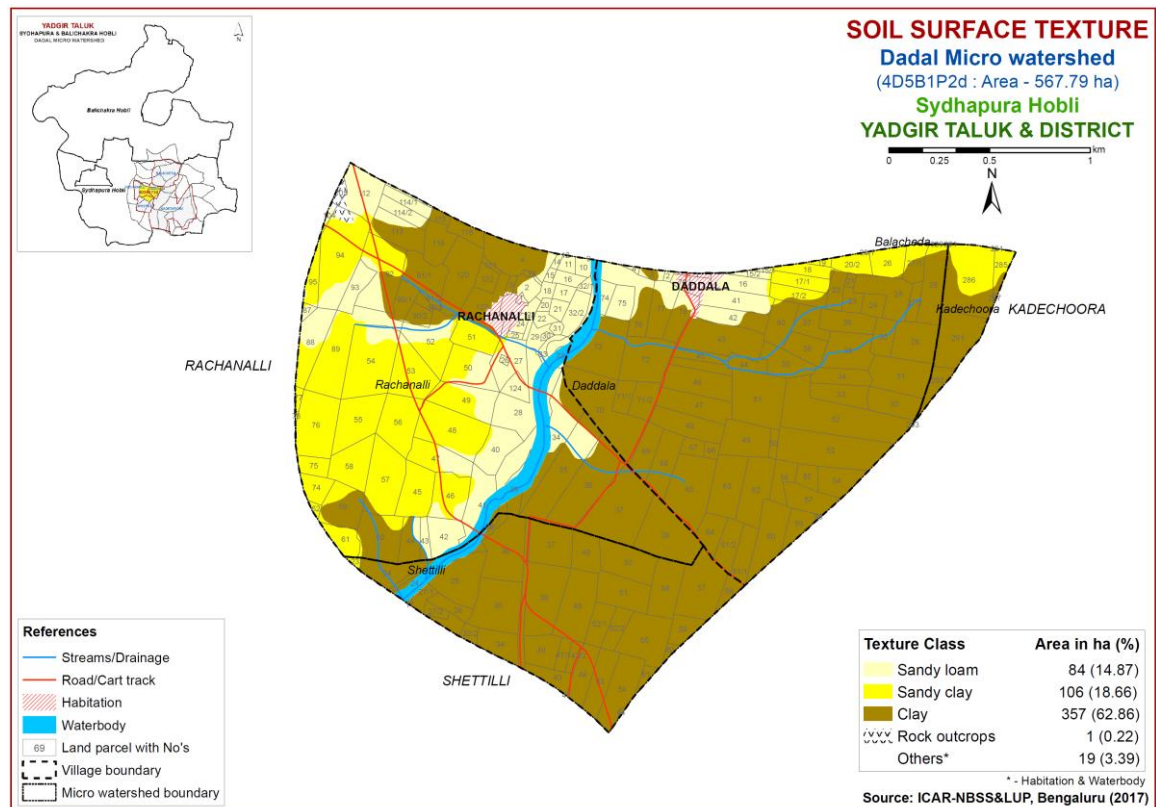


Fig. 5.3 Surface Soil Texture map of Dadal Microwatershed

#### 5.4 Soil Gravelliness

Gravel is the term used for describing coarse fragments between 2 mm and 7.5 cm diameter and stones for those between 7.5 cm and 25 cm. The presence of gravel and stones in the soil reduces the volume of soil responsible for moisture and nutrient storage, drainage, infiltration and runoff and hinders plant growth by impeding root growth and seedling emergence, inter-cultural operations and farm mechanization. The gravelliness classes used in LRI were used to classify the soils and using these classes a gravelliness map was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Figure 5.4.

An area has soils that are gravelly (15-35%) covering about 39 ha (7%) and are distributed in the northwestern, northeastern and central part the microwatershed

(Fig.5.4). Maximum area of about 508 ha (90%) in the microwatershed are non gravelly (<15%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed.

The most productive lands with respect to gravelliness are found to be 96 per cent. They are non gravelly (<15%) and gravelly (15-35%) and have potential for growing both annual and perennial crops.

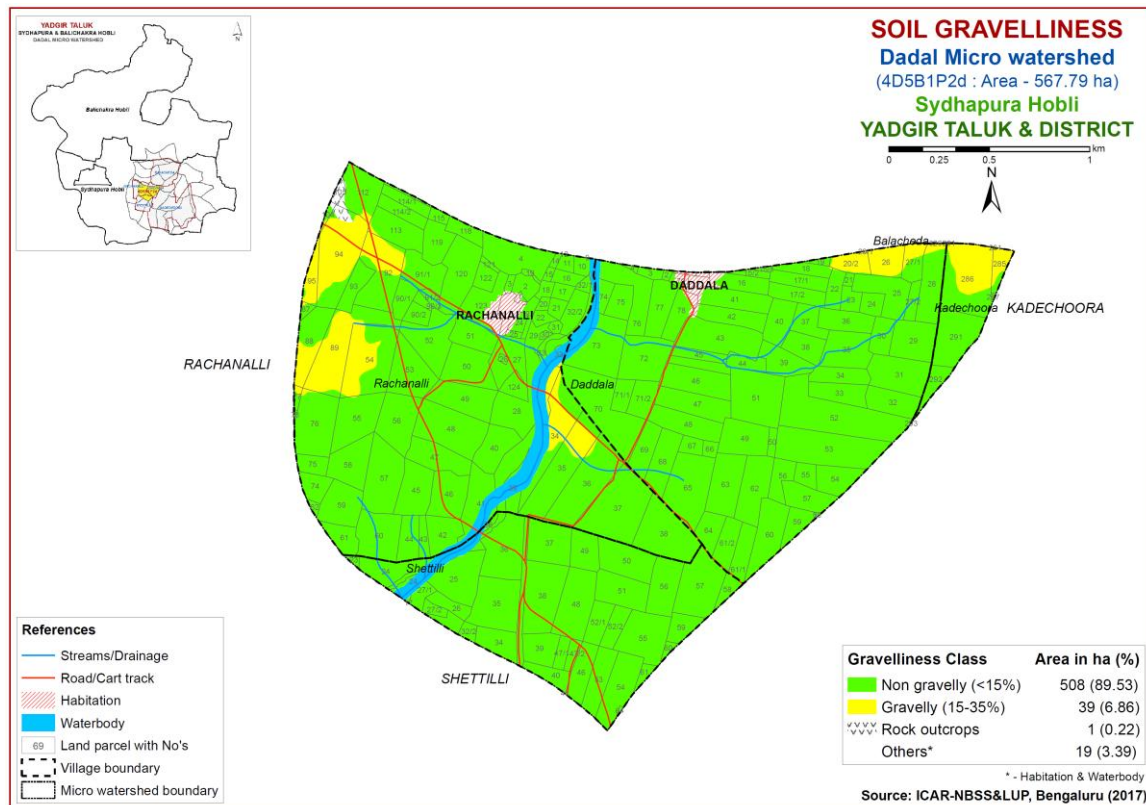


Fig. 5.4 Soil Gravelliness map of Dadal Microwatershed

### 5.5 Available Water Capacity

The soil available water capacity (AWC) is estimated based on the ability of the soil column to retain water between the tensions of 0.33 and 15 bar in a depth of 100 cm or the entire solum if the soil is shallower. The AWC of the soils (soil series) as estimated by considering the soil texture, mineralogy, soil depth and gravel content (Sehgal *et al.*, 1990) and accordingly the soil map units were grouped into five AWC classes *viz.*, very low (<50 mm/m), low (50-100 mm/m), medium (100-150 mm/m), high (150-200 mm/m) and very high (>200 mm/m) and using these classes an AWC map was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Figure 5.5.

An area of about 44 ha (8%) has soils that are very low (<50 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the central part of the microwatershed. A small area of about 16 ha (3%) has soils that are low (51-100 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. An area in the



microwatershed has soils that are medium (101-150 mm/m) in available water capacity. They occur in about 97 ha (17%) and are distributed in the southwestern, central and northwestern part of the microwatershed. The soils that are very high (>200 mm/m) in AWC covering major area of about 390 ha (69%) are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed.

An area of about 390 ha (69%) has soils that have very high potential (>200 mm/m) with regard to available water capacity and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. In these areas, if the rainfall is normal and well distributed, all climatically adapted long duration annual and perennial crops can be grown. About 60 ha (11%) area in the microwatershed has soils that are problematic with regard to available water capacity. Here, only the short or medium duration crops can be grown and the probability of crop failure is very high. These areas are best put to other alternative uses.

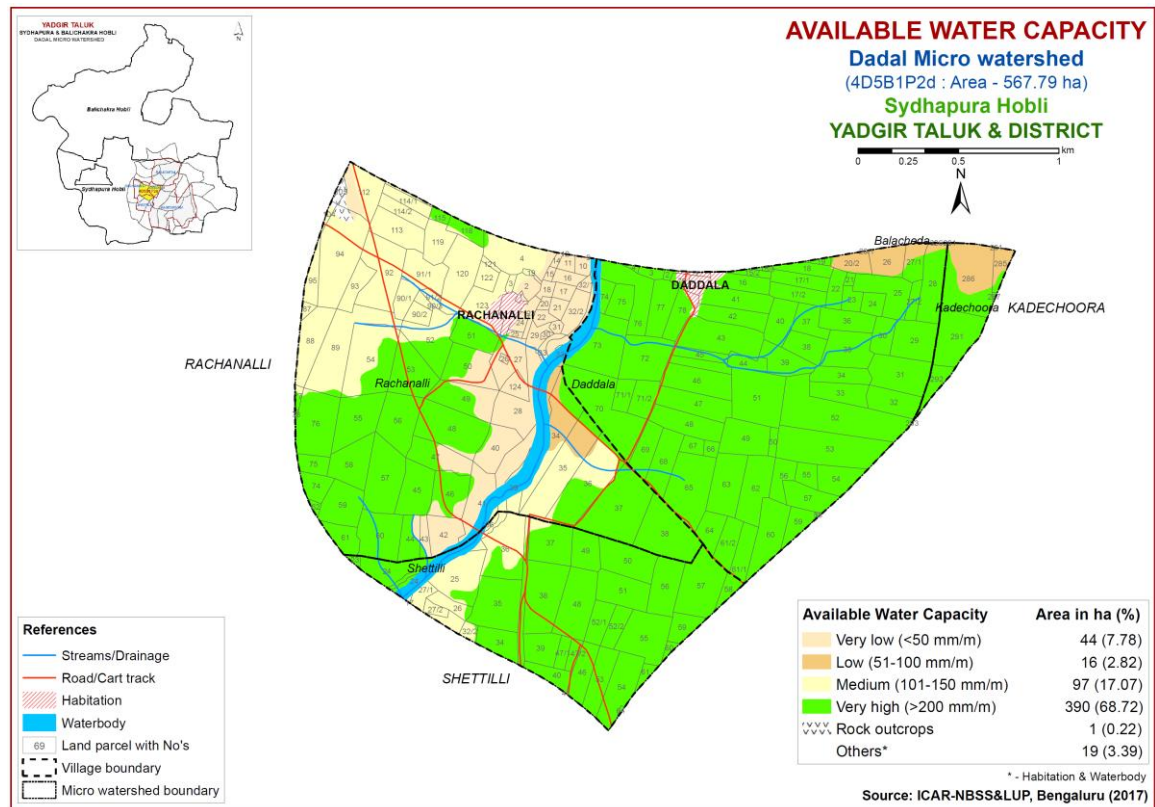


Fig. 5.5 Soil Available Water Capacity map of Dadal Microwatershed

## 5.6 Soil Slope

Soil slope refers to the inclination of the surface of the land. It is defined by gradient, shape and length, and is an integral feature of any soil as a natural body. Slope is considered important in soil genesis, land use and land development. The length and gradient of slope influences the rate of runoff, infiltration, erosion and deposition. The soil map units were grouped into four slope classes and a slope map was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Figure 5.6.

Entire area in the microwatershed falls under very gently sloping (1-3%) slope class. It covers an area of about 547 ha (96%) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed.

An area of about 547 ha (96%) in the microwatershed has soils that have high potential in respect of soil slopes. In these areas, all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown without much soil and water conservation and other land development measures.

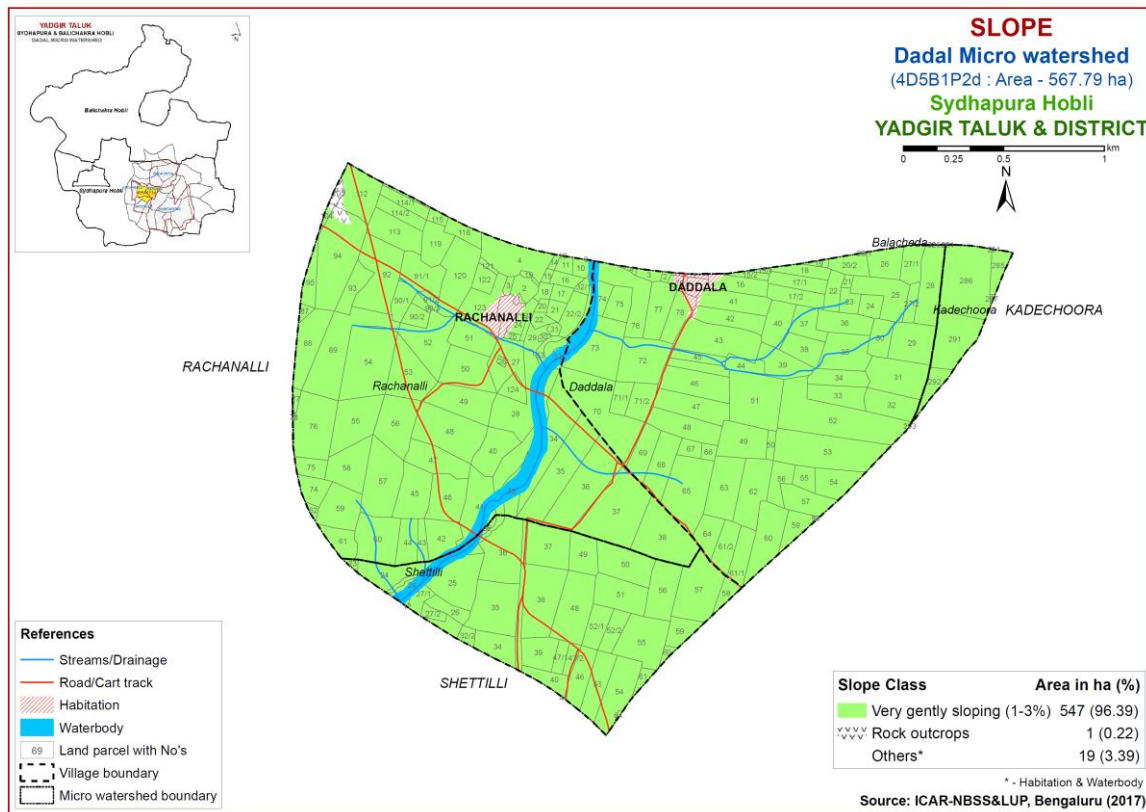


Fig. 5.6 Soil Slope map of Dadal Microwatershed

### 5.7 Soil Erosion

Soil erosion refers to the wearing away of the earth's surface by the forces of water, wind and ice involving detachment and transport of soil by raindrop impact. It is used for accelerated soil erosion resulting from disturbance of the natural landscape by burning, excessive grazing and indiscriminate felling of forest trees and tillage, all usually by man. The erosion classes showing an estimate of the current erosion status as judged from field observations in the form of rills, gullies or a carpet of gravel on the surface are recorded. Four erosion classes, viz, slight erosion (e1), moderate erosion (e2), severe erosion (e3) and very severe erosion (e4) are recognized. The soil map units were grouped into different erosion classes and a soil erosion map was generated. The area extent and their spatial distribution in the microwatershed is given in Figure 5.7.

Soils that are slightly eroded (e1 class) cover a small area of about 23 ha (4%) and are distributed in northwestern part of the microwatershed. Soils that are moderately eroded (e2 class) cover a major area of about 482 ha (85%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Severely eroded (e3 class) soils cover an area of about 43 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed.

Top priority is to be given to 43 ha area where they are severely eroded for taking up soil and water conservation and other land development measures followed by moderately eroded lands that cover about 482 ha.

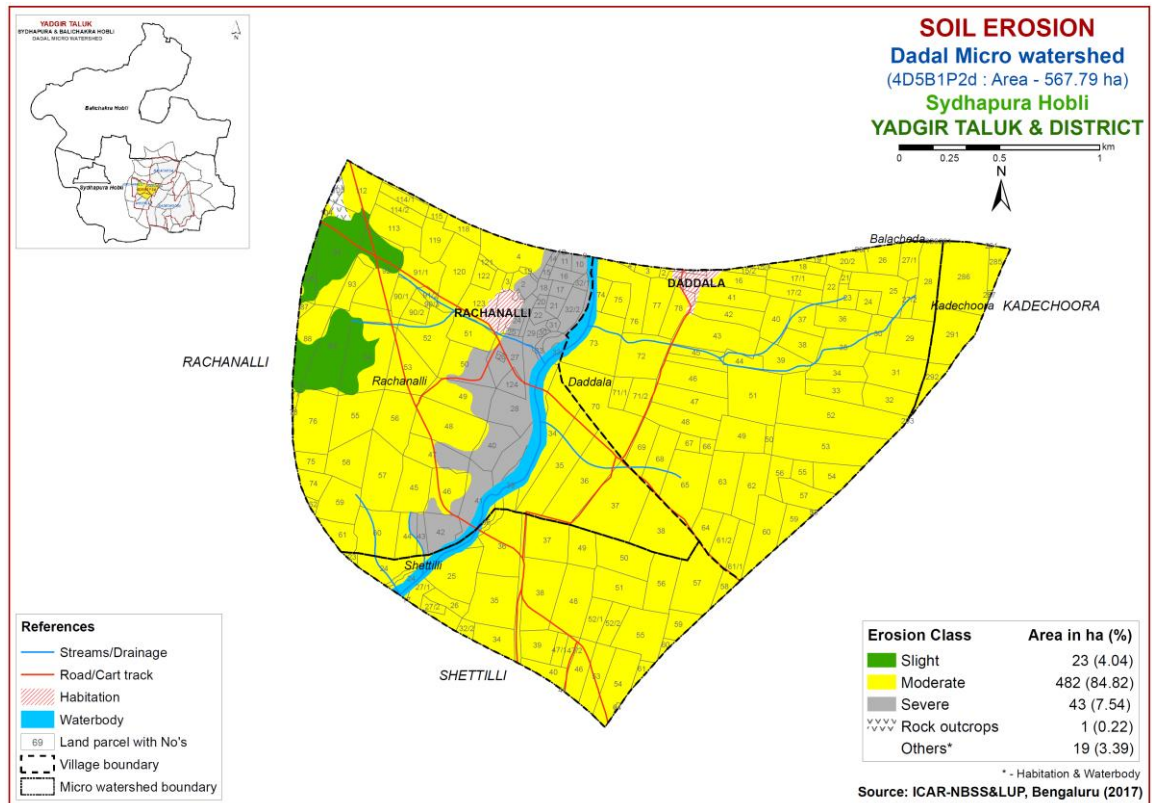


Fig. 5.7 Soil Erosion map of Dadal Microwatershed





## FERTILITY STATUS

Soil fertility plays an important role in increasing crop yield. The adoption of high yielding varieties that require high amounts of nutrients has resulted in deficiency symptoms in crops and plants due to imbalanced fertilization and poor inherent fertility status. Hence, it is necessary to know the fertility (macro and micro nutrients) status of the soils of the watersheds for assessing the kind and amount of fertilizers required for each of the crop intended to be grown. For this purpose, the surface soil samples (28 samples) collected from the grid points (one soil sample at every 250 m interval) all over the microwatershed through land resource inventory in the year 2017 were analysed for pH, EC, organic carbon, available phosphorus and potassium and for micronutrients like zinc, copper, iron and manganese, and secondary nutrient sulphur.

Soil fertility data generated has been assessed and individual maps for all the nutrients for the microwatershed have been generated using kriging method. The village/survey number wise fertility data for the microwatershed is given in Appendix-II.

### **6.1 Soil Reaction (pH)**

The soil fertility analysis of the Dadal microwatershed for soil reaction (pH) showed that an area of about 142 ha (25%) is moderately alkaline (pH 7.8-8.4) in reaction and is distributed in the southeastern, eastern, northeastern and northwestern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.1). Major area of about 348 ha (61%) area is strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Very strongly alkaline (pH >9.0) is around 57 ha (10%) area and is distributed in the central, northern and southwestern part of the microwatershed.

### **6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC)**

The Electrical Conductivity of the soils of the entire microwatershed area is  $<2 \text{ dSm}^{-1}$  (Fig 6.2) and as such the soils in the microwatershed are nonsaline.

### **6.3 Organic Carbon**

The soil organic carbon content (Fig.6.3) of the soils in the microwatershed is high (>0.75%) in an area of about 97 ha (17%) that are distributed in the northern, northeastern, eastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. Medium (0.5-0.75%) organic carbon content accounts major area of about 403 ha (71%) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Low (<0.5%) organic carbon content accounts an area of about 47 ha (8%) and is distributed in central part of the microwatershed.

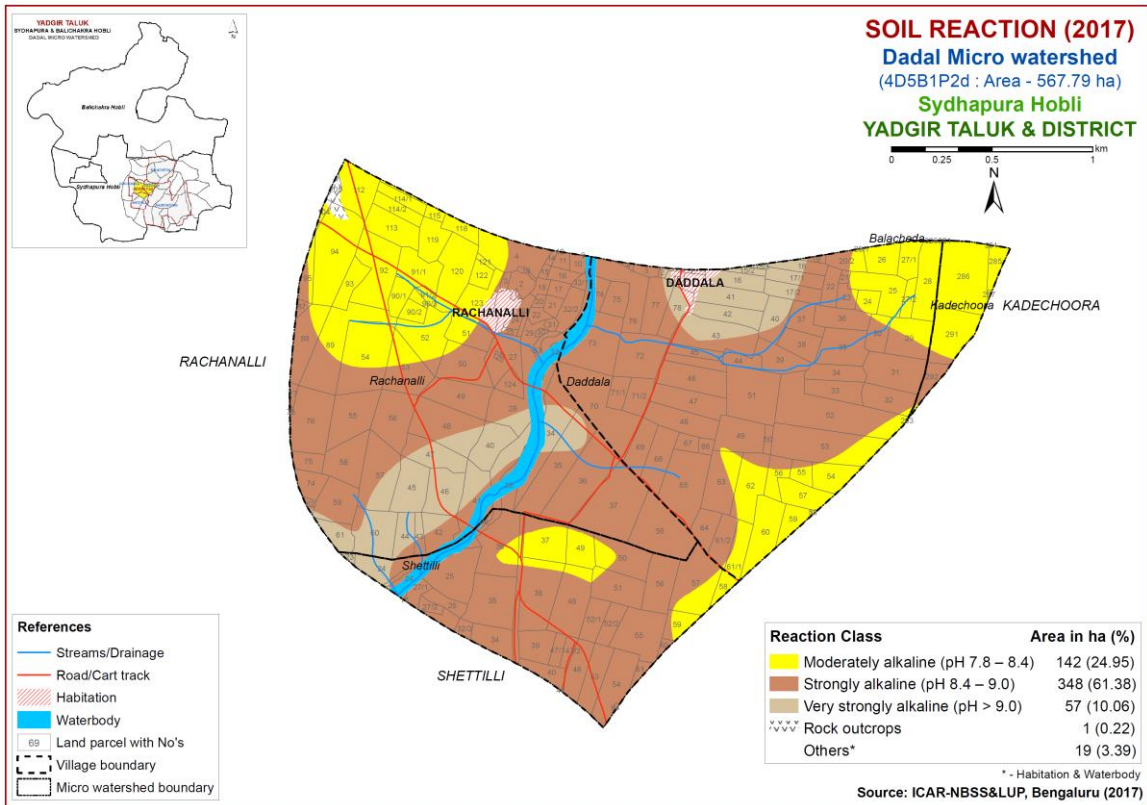


Fig.6.1 Soil Reaction (pH) map of Dadal Microwatershed

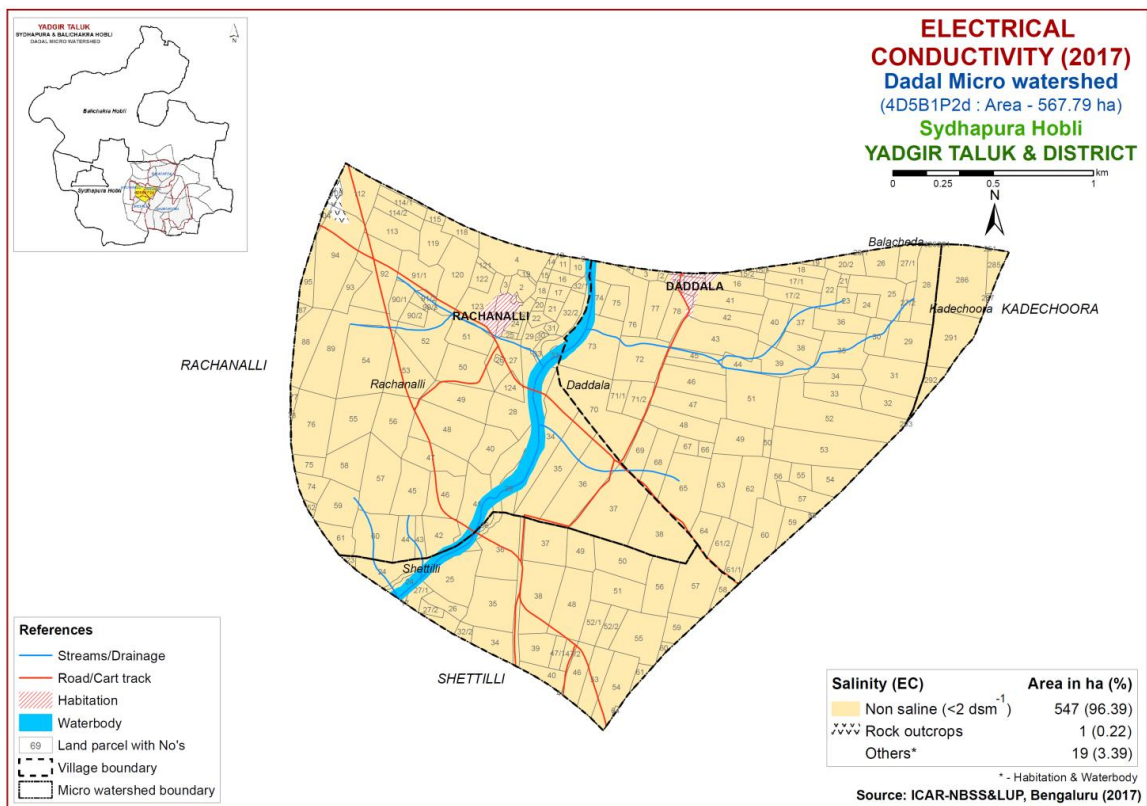


Fig.6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC) map of Dadal Microwatershed

#### **6.4 Available Phosphorus**

The soil fertility analysis revealed that available phosphorus (Fig.6.4) is low (<23 kg/ha) in an area of about 128 ha (23%) and is distributed in southern, southwestern, southeastern and northern part of the microwatershed. There is an urgent need to increase the dose of phosphorous for all the crops by 25 per cent over the recommended dose to realize better crop performance. Major area of about 416 ha (73%) is medium (23-57 kg/ha) in available phosphorus and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. A very small area of about 4 ha (1%) is high (>57 kg/ha) in available phosphorus and is distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed.

#### **6.5 Available Potassium**

Available potassium content (Fig.6.5) is medium (145-337 kg/ha) in major area of 279 ha (49%) and is distributed in the western, northwestern, central, northeastern and eastern of the microwatershed. High available potassium (>337 kg/ha) content accounts for an area of 268 ha (47%) and is distributed in the southern, southwestern, southeastern, northern, eastern and central part of the microwatershed.

#### **6.6 Available Sulphur**

Available sulphur content is medium (10-20 ppm) in an area of about 146 ha (26%) and is distributed in the western, southwestern, southeastern, southern and northern part of the microwatershed. Available sulphur is low (<10 ppm) in major area of 390 ha (69%) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed and high (>20 ppm) in very small area of 11 ha (2 %) and are distributed in the southern, western and northern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.6).

#### **6.7 Available Boron**

Available boron content (Fig.6.7) is medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in major area of about 332 ha (58%) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. An area of about 14 ha (2%) is low (<0.5ppm) in available boron and are distributed in the northeastern part of microwatershed. An area of about 201 ha (35%) is high (>1.0 ppm) in available boron and are distributed in the northern, central, eastern and western part of microwatershed.

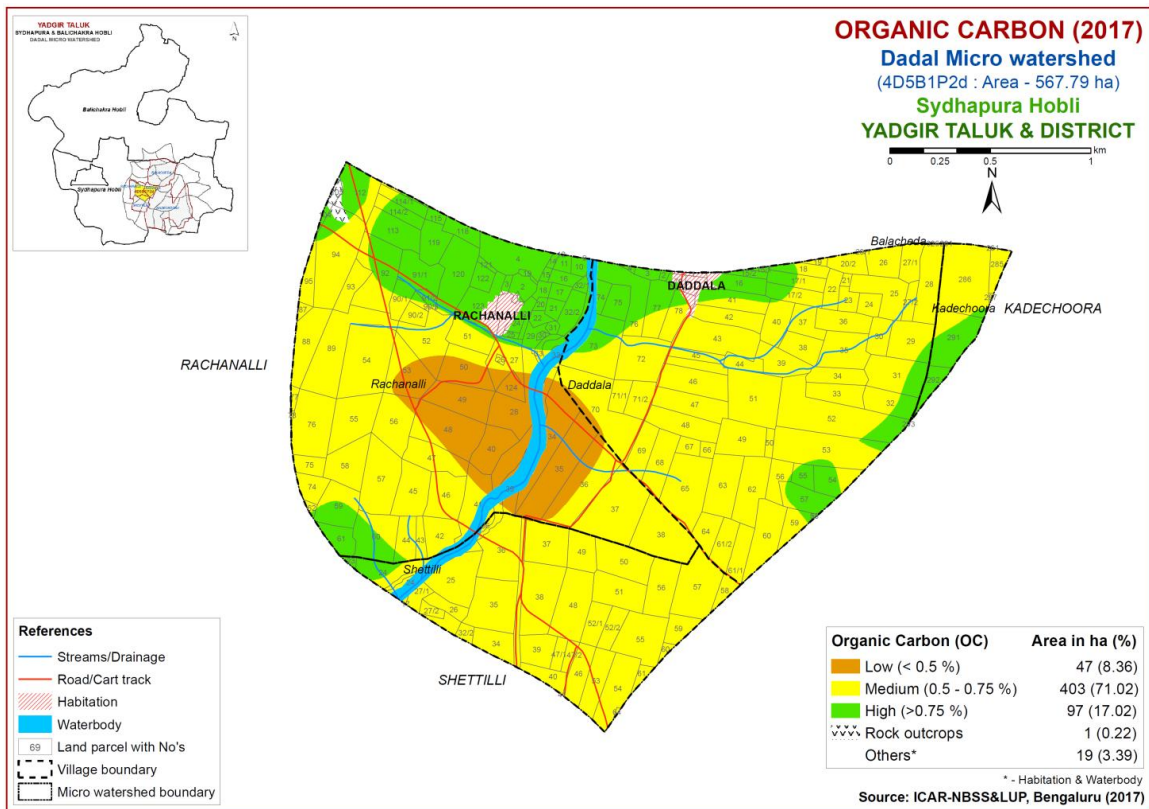


Fig.6.3 Soil Organic Carbon map of Dadal Microwatershed

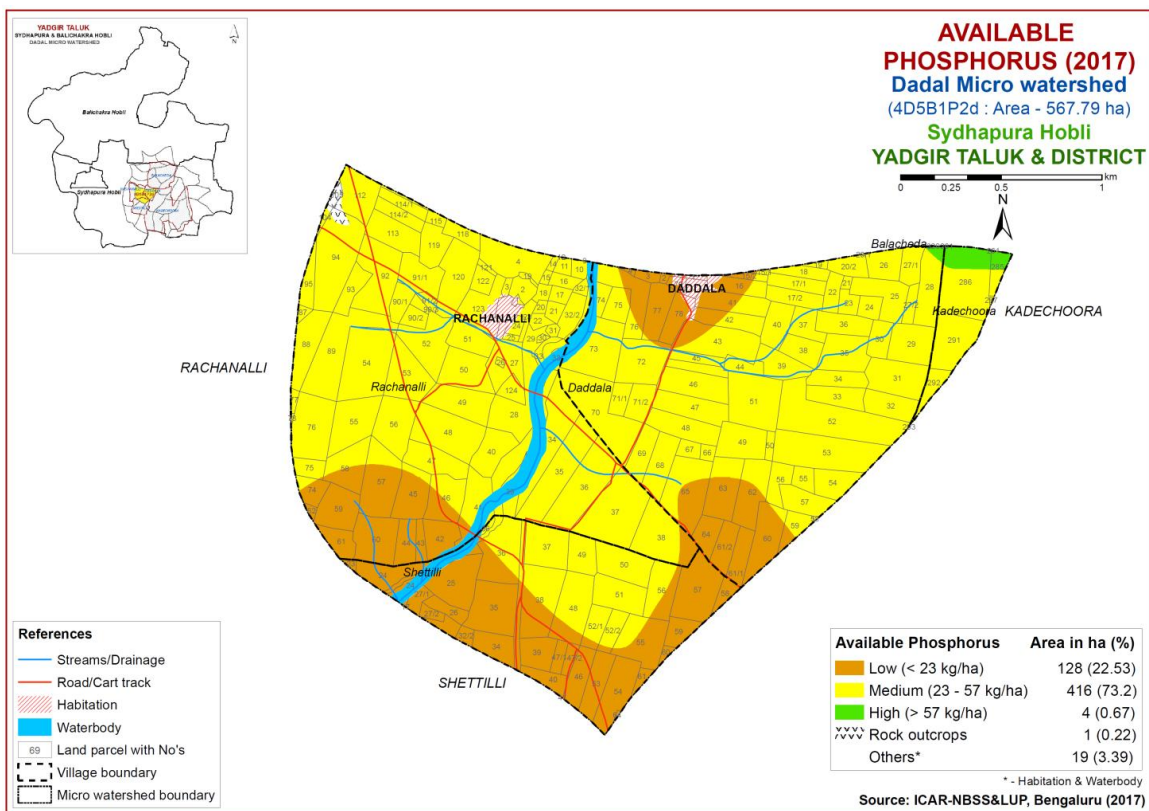


Fig.6.4 Soil available Phosphorus map of Dadal Microwatershed



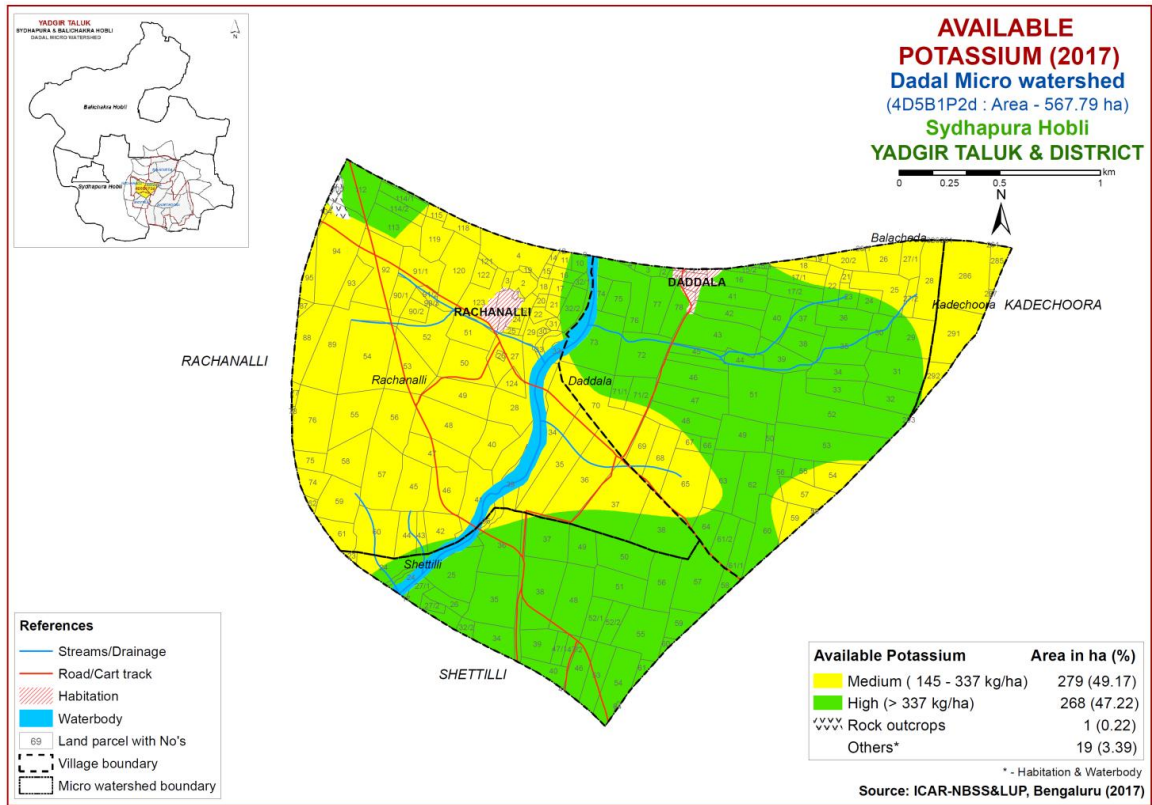


Fig.6.5 Soil available Potassium map of Dadal Microwatershed

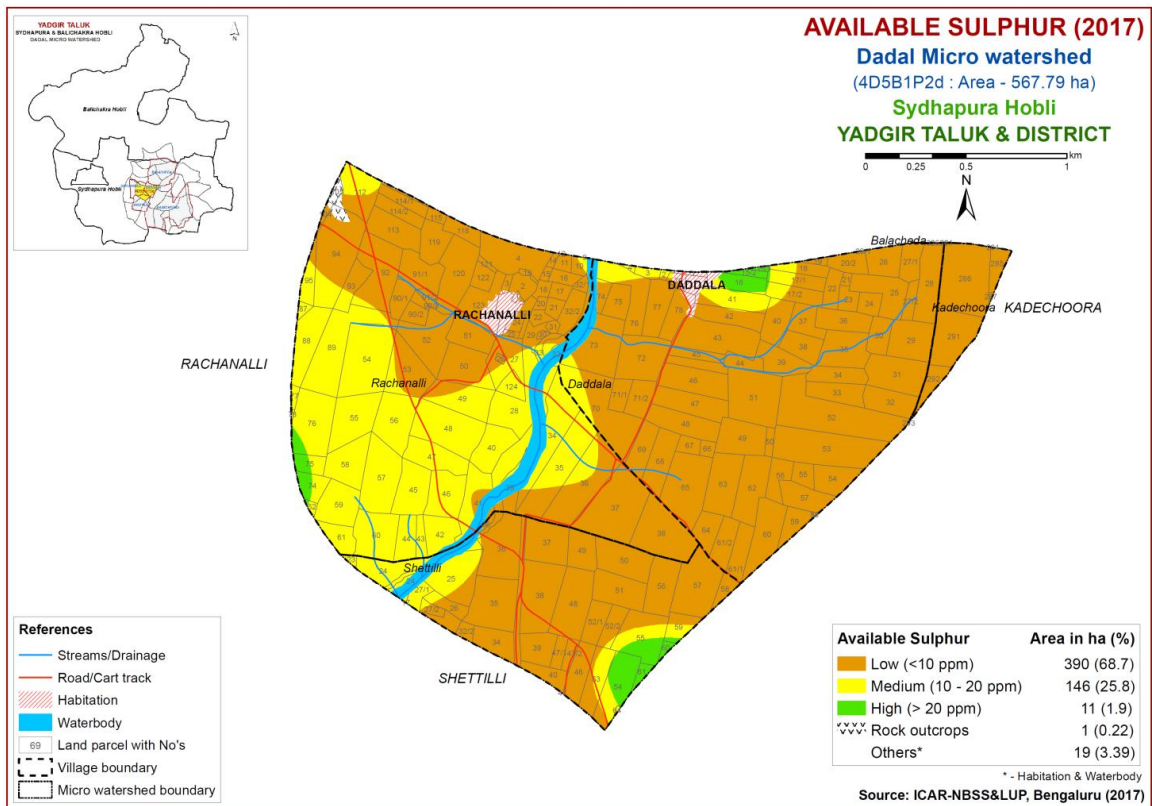


Fig.6.6 Soil available Sulphur map of Dadal Microwatershed

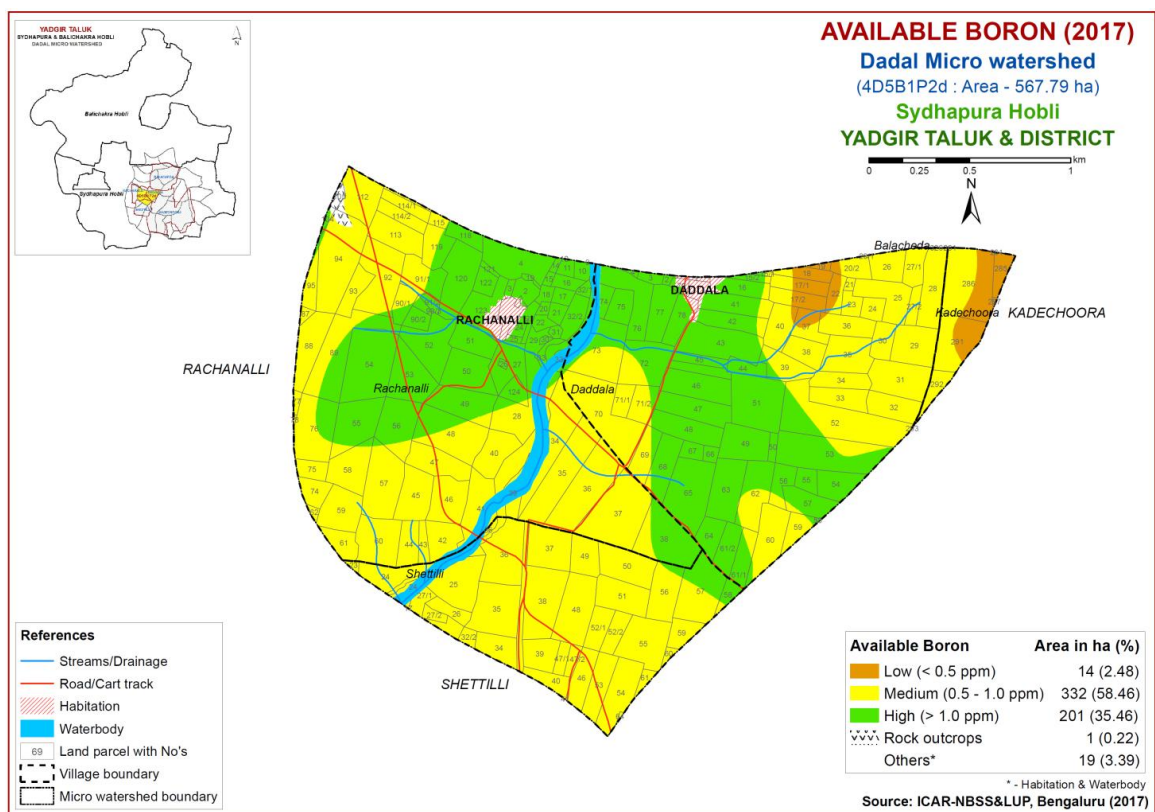


Fig.6.7 Soil available Boron map of Dadal Microwatershed

## 6.8 Available Iron

Available iron content is sufficient ( $>4.5$  ppm) in major area of about 465 ha (82%) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. It is deficient ( $<4.5$  ppm) in an area of about 82 ha (14%) and is distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. (Fig 6.8).

## 6.9 Available Manganese

Available manganese content is sufficient ( $>1.0$  ppm) in the entire microwatershed area (Fig 6.9).

## 6.10 Available Copper

Available copper content is sufficient ( $>0.2$  ppm) in the entire microwatershed area (Fig 6.10).

## 6.11 Available Zinc

Available zinc content is deficient ( $<0.6$  ppm) in the entire microwatershed area (Fig 6.11).

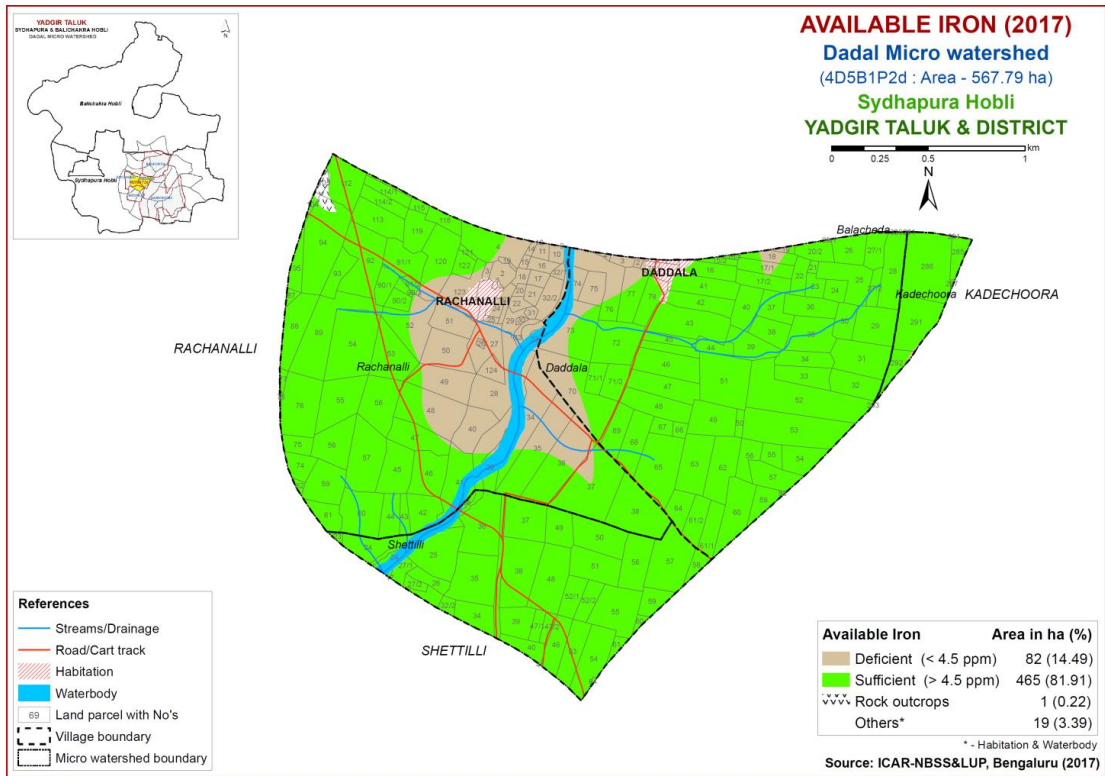


Fig.6.8 Soil available Iron map of Dadal Microwatershed

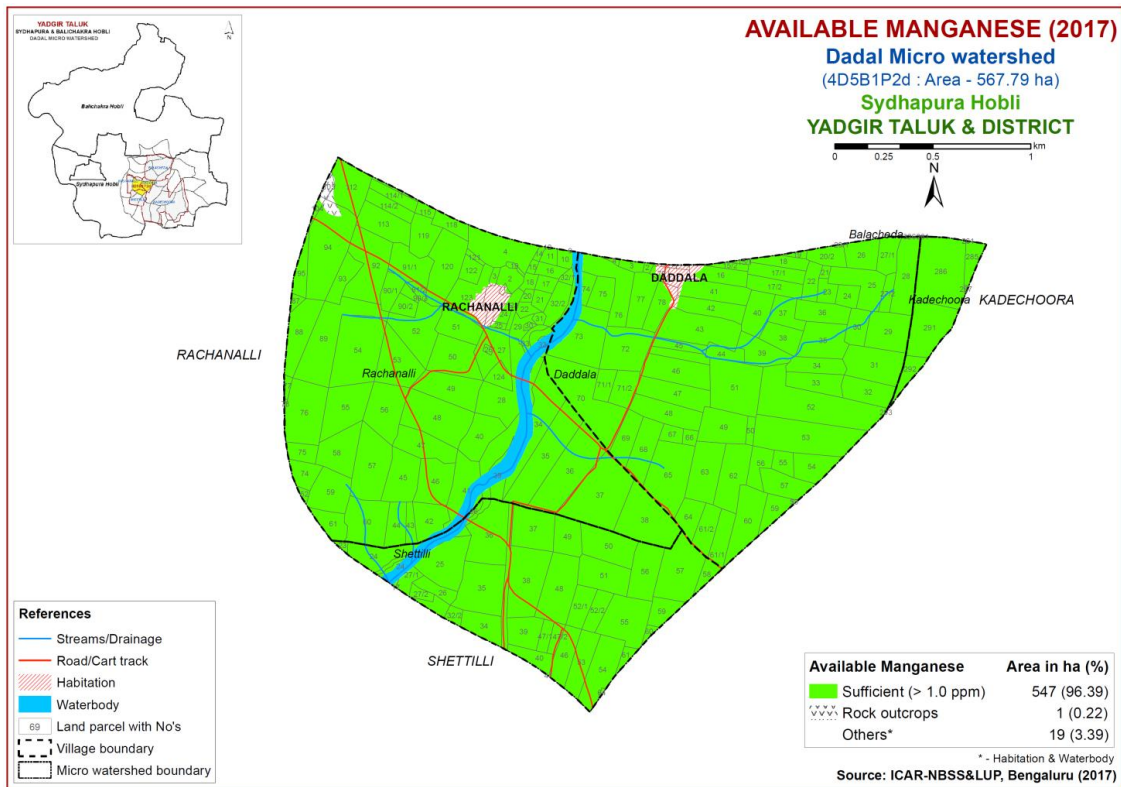


Fig.6.9 Soil available Manganese map of Dadal Microwatershed



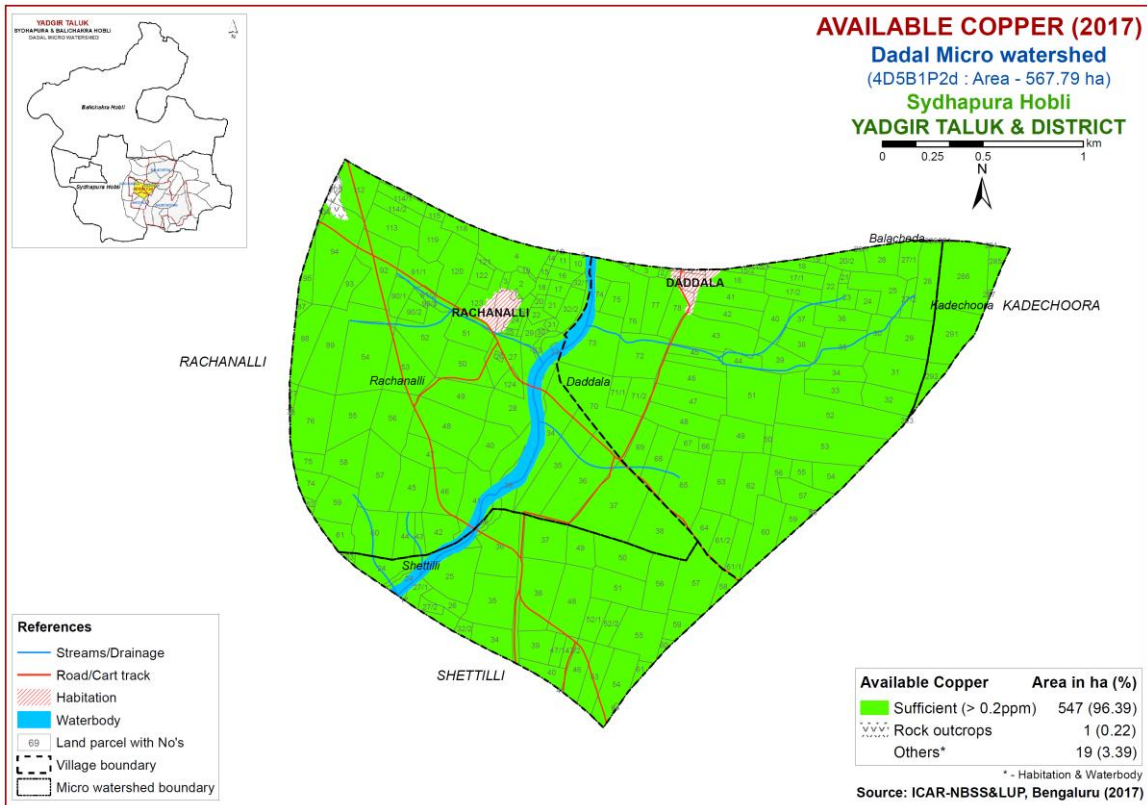


Fig.6.10 Soil available Copper map of Dadal Microwatershed

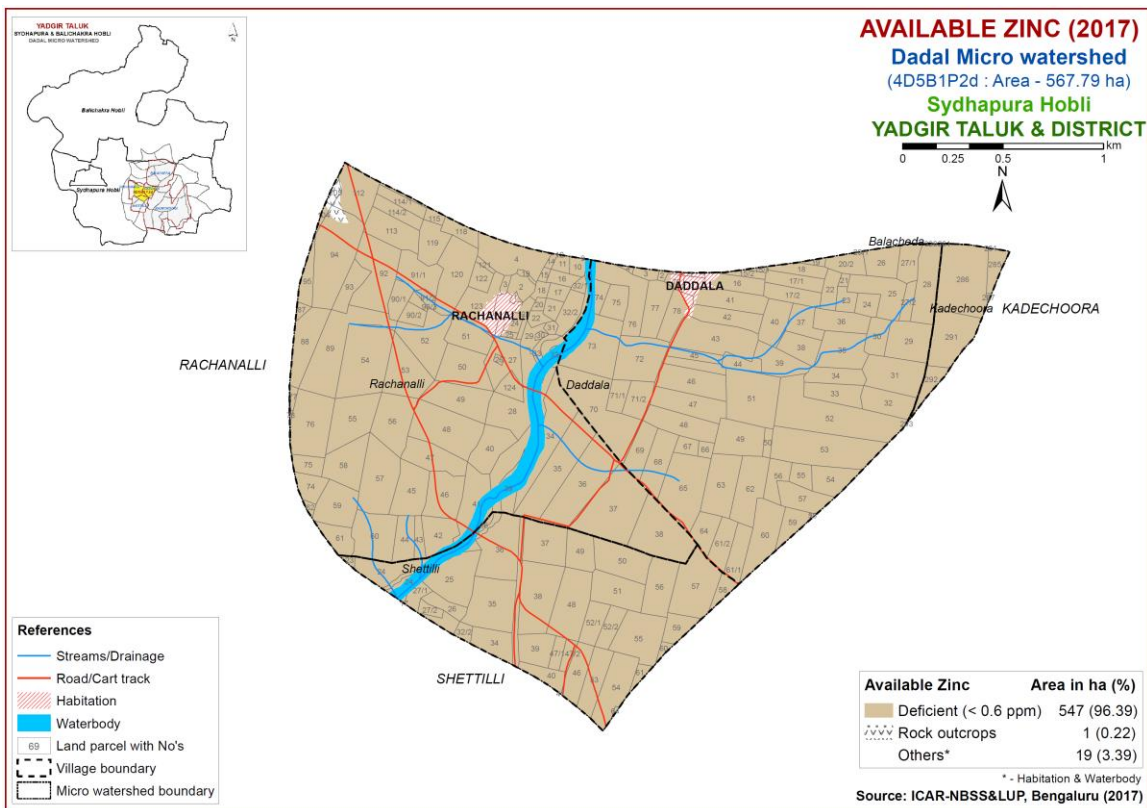


Fig.6.11 Soil available Zinc map of Dadal Microwatershed



## LAND SUITABILITY FOR MAJOR CROPS

The soil and land resource units (soil phases) of Dadal microwatershed were assessed for their suitability for growing food, fibre, fodder and other horticulture crops by following the procedure as outlined in FAO, 1976 and 1983. Crop requirements were developed for each of the crop from the available research data, and also by referring to Naidu *et al.* (2006) and Natarajan *et al.* (2015). The crop requirements were matched with the soil and land characteristics (Table 7.1) to arrive at the crop suitability. In FAO land suitability classification, two orders are recognized. Order S-Suitable and Order N-Not suitable. The orders have classes, subclasses and units. Order-S has three classes, Class S1-Highly Suitable, Class S2-Moderately Suitable and Class S3-Marginally Suitable. Order N has two classes, N1-Currently not Suitable and N2-Permanently not Suitable. There are no subclasses within the class S1 as they will have very minor or no limitations for crop growth. Classes S2 and S3 are divided into subclasses based on the kinds of limitations encountered. The limitations that affect crop production are 'c' for erratic rainfall and its distribution and length of growing period (LGP), 'e' for erosion hazard, 'r' for rooting condition, 't' for lighter or heavy texture, 'g' for gravelliness or stoniness, 'n' for nutrient availability, 'l' for topography, 'm' for moisture availability and 'w' for drainage. These limitations are indicated as lower case letters to the class symbol. For example, moderately suitable land with the limitations of soil depth and erosion is designated as S2re. For the microwatershed, the soil mapping units were evaluated and classified up to subclass level.

Using the above criteria, the soil map units of the microwatershed were evaluated and land suitability maps for 26 major annual and perennial crops grown in the state were generated. The detailed information on the kind of suitability of each of the soil phase for the crops assessed are given village/ survey number wise for the microwatershed in Appendix-III.

### 7.1 Land Suitability for Sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor*)

Sorghum is one of the major crops grown in Karnataka in an area of 10.47 lakh ha in northern Karnataka in Bijapur, Kalaburgi, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad and Bellary districts. The crop requirements for growing sorghum (Table 7.2) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and land suitability map for growing sorghum was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.1.

**Table 7.1 Soil-Site Characteristics of Dadal Microwatershed**

Soil Map Units	Climate (P) (mm)	Growing period (Days)	Drainage class	Soil depth (cm)	Soil texture		Gravelliness		AWC (mm/m)	Slope (%)	Erosion	pH	EC	ESP	CEC [Cmol(p <sup>+</sup> ) kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	BS (%)
					Surface	Sub-surface	Surface (%)	Subsurface (%)								
HLGiB2g1	866	150	WD	50-75	sc	scl-sc	15-35	-	100	1-3	Moderate					
YLRcB2g1	866	150	WD	50-75	sl	sc	15-35	15-35	100	1-3	Moderate					
GDLcB3	866	150	WD	25-50	sl	Sc-c	-	-	75	1-3	Severe					
KYTcB2	866	150	WD	25-50	sl	scl-sc	-	-	50	1-3	Moderate					
BLDcB2	866	150	WD	50-75	sl	c	-	-	150	1-3	Moderate					
BLDiB1g1	866	150	WD	50-75	sc	c	15-35	-	150	1-3	Slight					
RHNcB2	866	150	WD	75-100	sl	Sc-c	-	-	150	1-3	Moderate					
RHNmB2	866	150	WD	75-100	c	Sc-c	-	-	150	1-3	Moderate					
KDRcB2	866	150	WD	100-150	sl	Sc-c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					
KDRiB2	866	150	WD	100-150	sc	Sc-c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					
KDRmB2	866	150	WD	100-150	c	Sc-c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					
SWRmB2	866	150	WD	100-150	c	c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					
HGNcB2	866	150	WD	>150	sl	c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					
HGNmB2	866	150	WD	>150	c	c	-	-	>200	1-3	Moderate					

\*Symbols and abbreviations are according to Field Guide for LRI under Sujala-III Project, Karnataka

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing sorghum. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing sorghum and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy very small area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.2 Crop suitability criteria for Sorghum**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	2-3	3-8	8-15	>15
LGP	Days	120-150	120-90	<90	
Soil drainage	class	Well to mod. drained	imperfect	Poorly/excessively	V. poorly
Soil reaction	pH	6.0-8.0	5.5-5.9 8.1-8.5	<5.5 8.6-9.0	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	C, cl, siel, sc	l, sil, sic	S1, ls	S, fragmental skeletal
Soil depth	Cm	100-75	50-75	30-50	<30
Gravel content	% vol.	5-15	15-30	30-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	2-4	4-8	8-10	>10
Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-8	8-10	10-15	>15

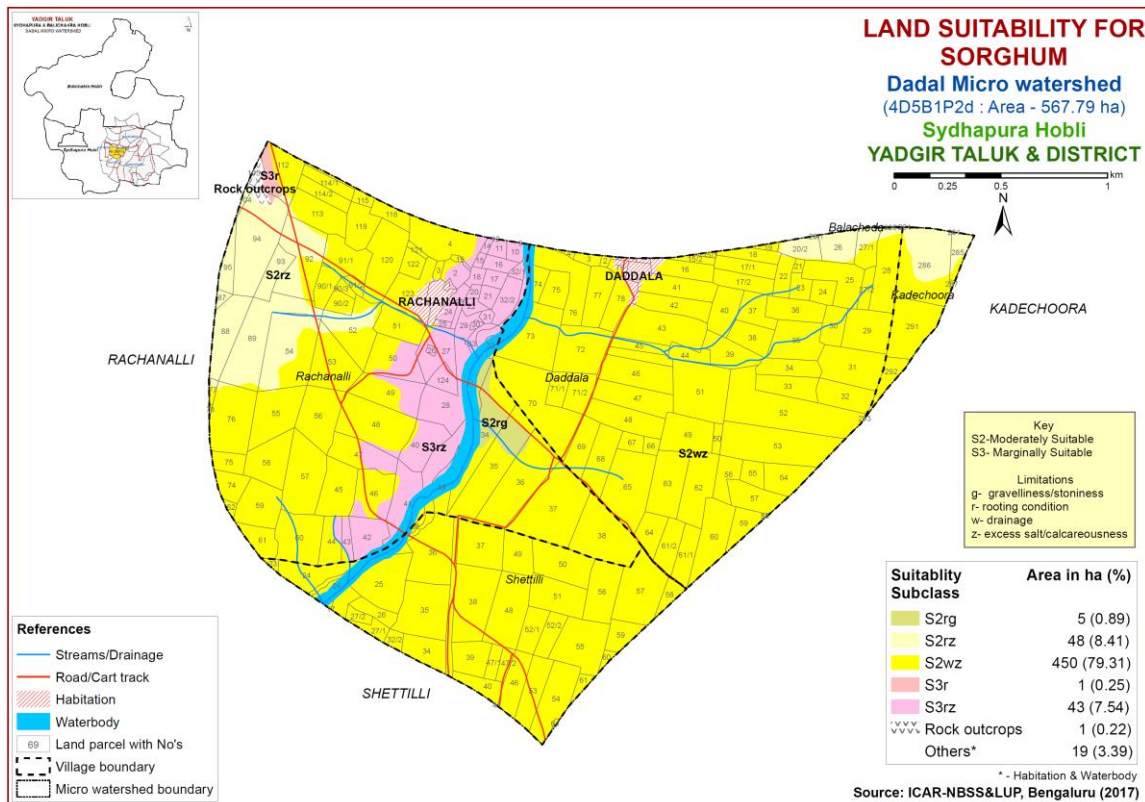


Fig. 7.1 Land Suitability map of Sorghum

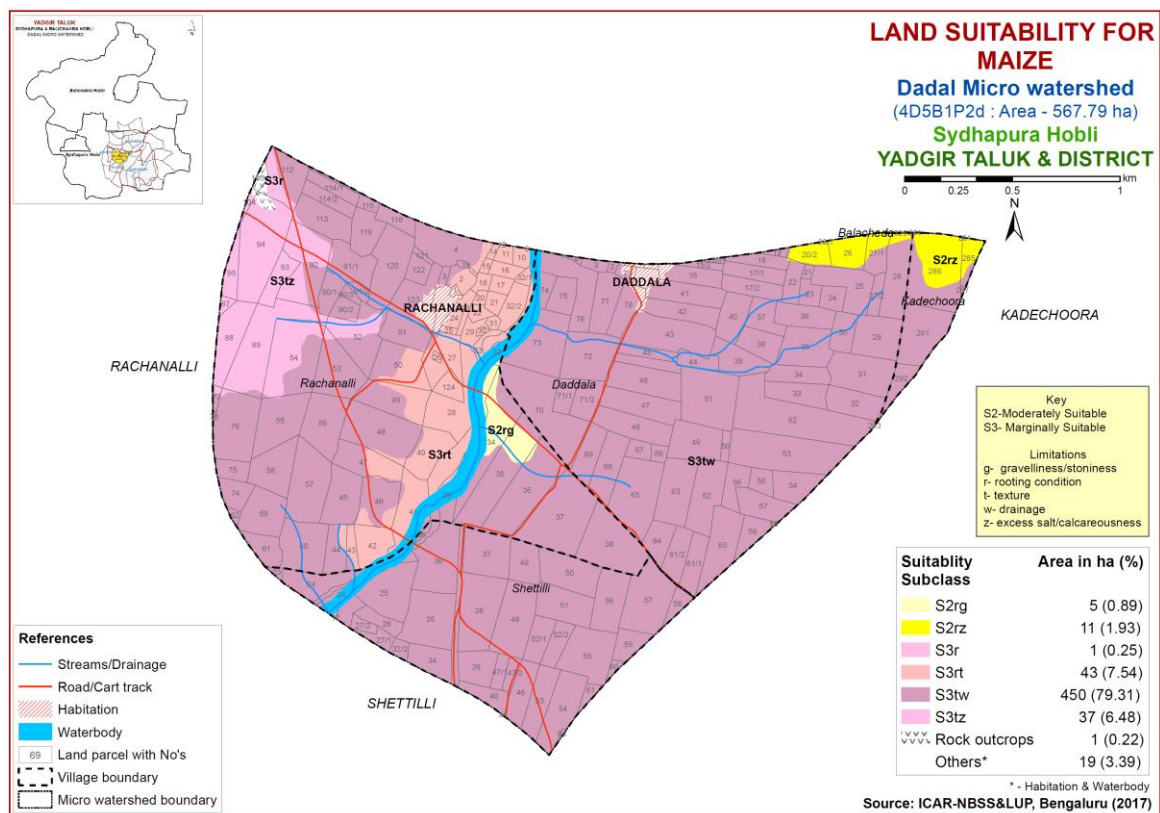
## 7.2 Land Suitability for Maize (*Zea mays*)

Maize is the most important food crop grown in an area of 13.37 lakh ha in all the district of the state. The crop requirements for growing maize (Table 7.3) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing maize was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.2.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing maize. The moderately suitable (Class S2) lands cover a very small area of about 16 ha (3%) and occur in the northeastern and central part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, excess salt and rooting depth. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover major area of about 531 ha (94%) and occur in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth.

**Table 7.3 Crop suitability criteria for Maize**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly Suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally Suitable (S3)	Not Suitable (N)
Slope	%	<3	3.5	5-8	
LGP	Days	>100	100-80	60-80	
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to imperfectly	Poorly/excessively	V.poorly
Soil reaction	pH	5.5-7.5	7.6-8.5	8.6-9.0	
Surface soil texture	Class	l, cl, scl, sil	Sl, sicl, sic	C(s-s), ls	S, fragmental
Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-50	>50
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	



**Fig. 7.2 Land Suitability map of Maize**

### 7.3 Land Suitability for Red gram (*Cajanus cajan*)

Red gram is one of the major pulse crop grown in an area of 7.28 lakh ha mainly in northern Karnataka in Bijapur, Kalaburgi, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad and Bellary districts. The crop requirements for growing red gram (Table 7.4) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing red gram was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.3.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing redgram. Major area of about 450 ha (79%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for red gram and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 53 ha (9%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing red gram and are distributed in the northwestern, central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have major limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, drainage and excess salt. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing red gram and are distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.4 Crop suitability criteria for Red gram**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil-site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>210	180-210	150-180	<150
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-7.5	5.0-6.5 7.6-8.0	8.0-9.0	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	l, scl, sil, cl, sl	sicl, sic, c(m)	ls	S, fragmental
Soil depth	Cm	>100	85-100	40-85	<40
Gravel content	% vol.	<20	20-35	35-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	

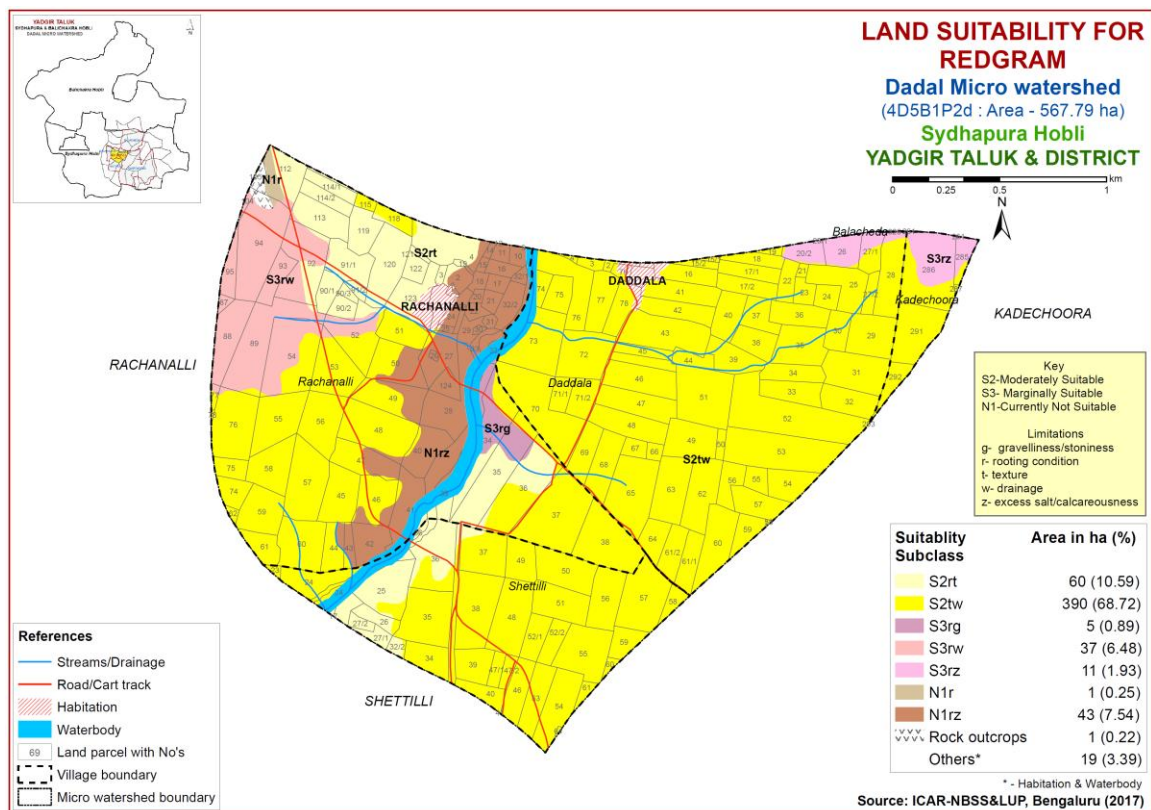


Fig. 7.3 Land Suitability map of Red gram

#### 7.4 Land Suitability for Bajra (*Pennisetum glaucum*)

Bajra is the most important millet crop grown in an area of 2.34 lakh ha in the northern districts of Karnataka state. The crop requirements for growing bajra were matched with the soil-site characteristics and a land suitability map for growing bajra was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.4.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing bajra. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing bajra and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.



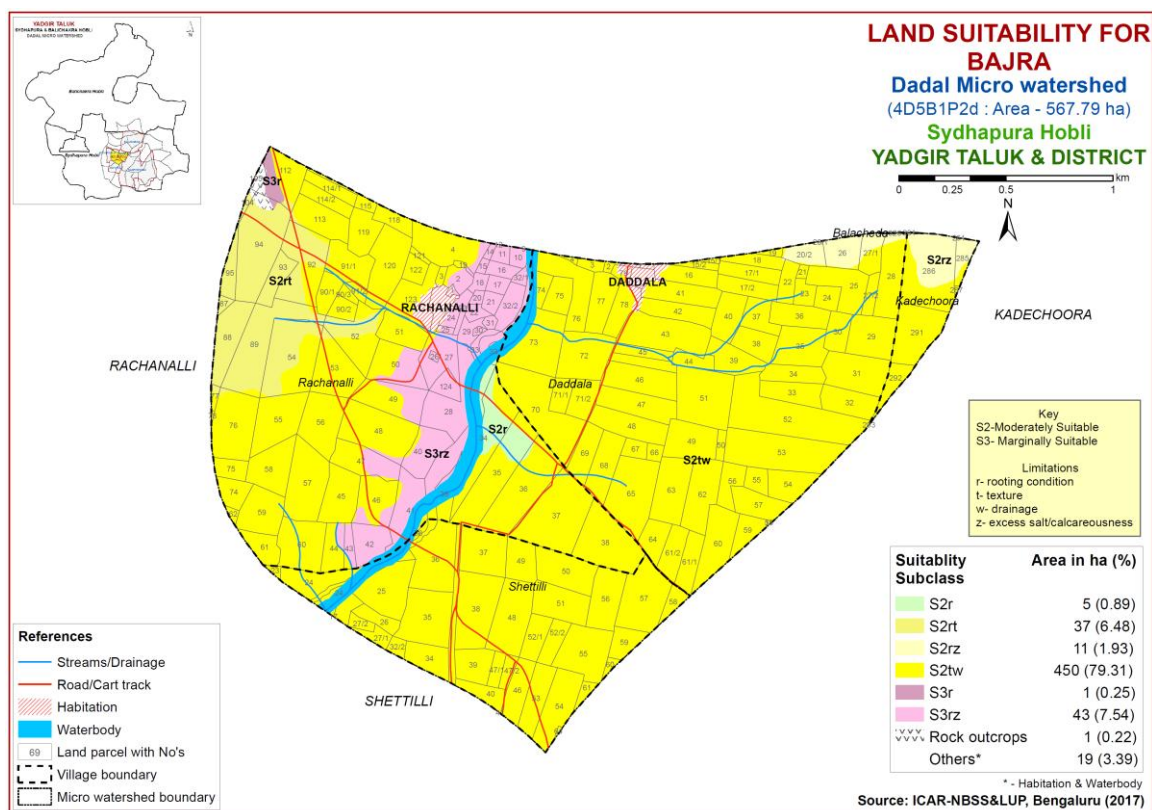


Fig. 7.4 Land Suitability map of Bajra

### 7.5 Land suitability for Groundnut (*Arachis hypogaea*)

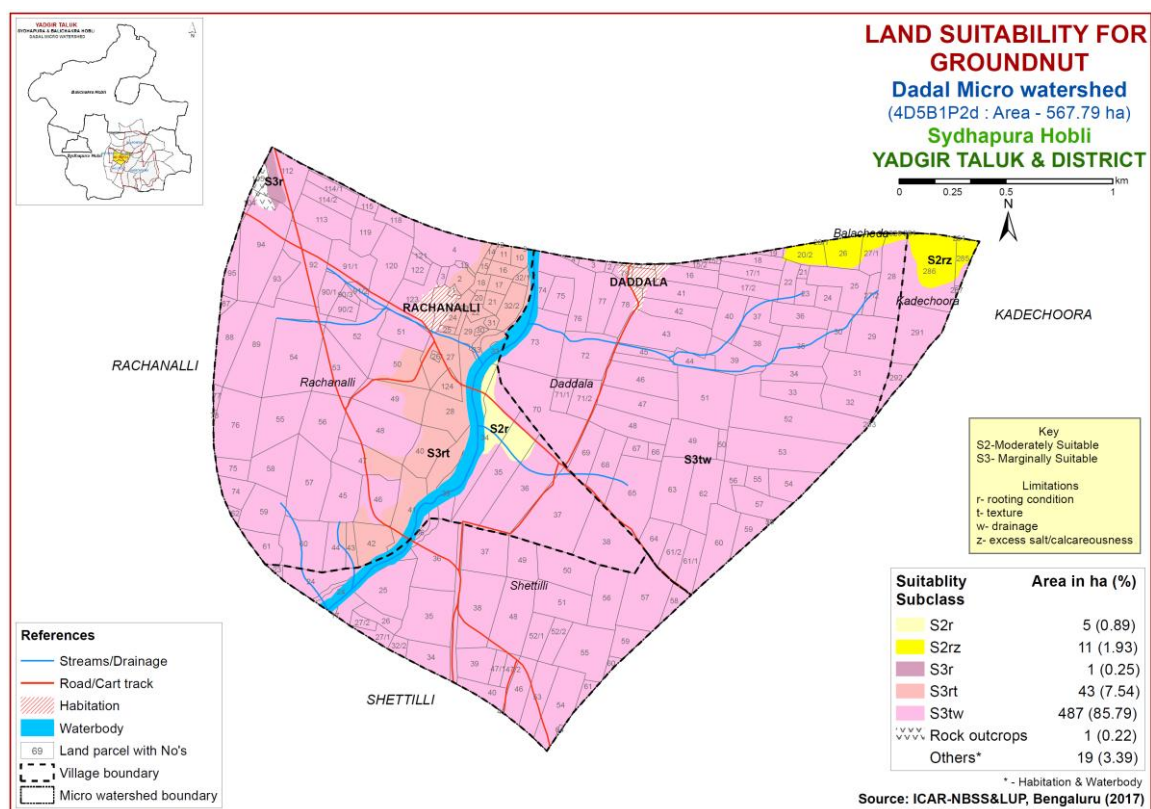
Groundnut is the most important oilseed crop grown in an area of 6.54 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing groundnut (Table 7.5) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing groundnut was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.5.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing groundnut. A small area of about 16 ha (3%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing groundnut and are distributed in the central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy major area of about 531 ha (94%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage.



**Table 7.5 Land suitability criteria for Groundnut**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	100-125	90-105	75-90	
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. Well rained	imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.0-8.0	8.1-8.5, 5.5-5.9	>8.5, <5.5	
Sub Surface soil texture	Class	l, cl, sil, scl, sicl	Sc, sic, c,sl	S, ls,c (>60%)	
Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<35	35-50	>50	
CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	low	Medium	high	
Salinity (EC)	dsm <sup>-1</sup>	<2.0	2.0-4.0	4.0-8.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	>10	



**Fig. 7.5 Land Suitability map of Groundnut**

## 7.6 Land Suitability for Sunflower (*Helianthus annuus*)

Sunflower is the most important oilseed crop grown in an area of 3.56 lakh ha in the State in all the districts. The crop requirements for growing sunflower (Table 7.6) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing sunflower was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.6.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing sunflower. Major area of about 450 ha (79%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for sunflower and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 53 ha (9%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sunflower and are distributed in the northwestern, central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have major limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, drainage and excess salt. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing sunflower and are distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.6 Crop suitability criteria for Sunflower**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>90	80-90	70-80	<70
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	mod. Well drained	imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-8.0	8.1-8.5 5.5-6.4	8.6-9.0; 4.5-5.4	>9.0 <4.5
Surface soil texture	Class	1, cl, sil, sc	Scl, sic, c,	c (>60%), sl	ls, s
Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	

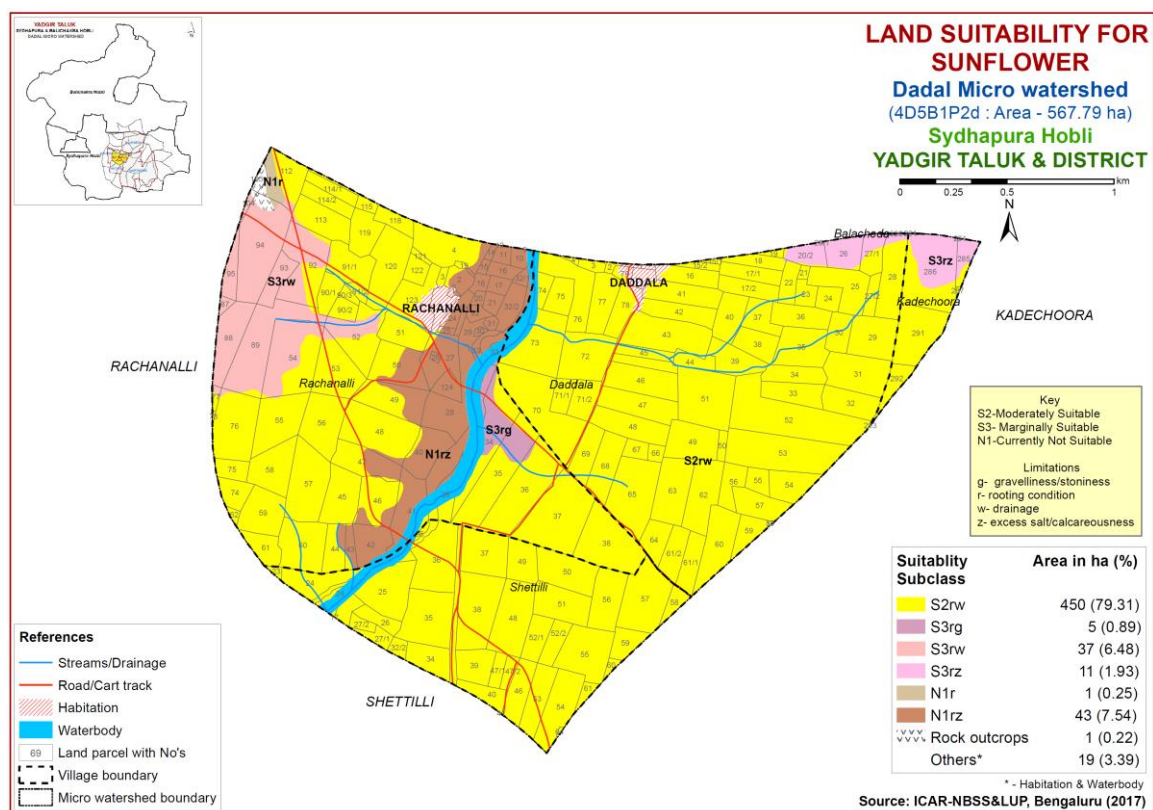


Fig. 7.6 Land Suitability map of Sunflower

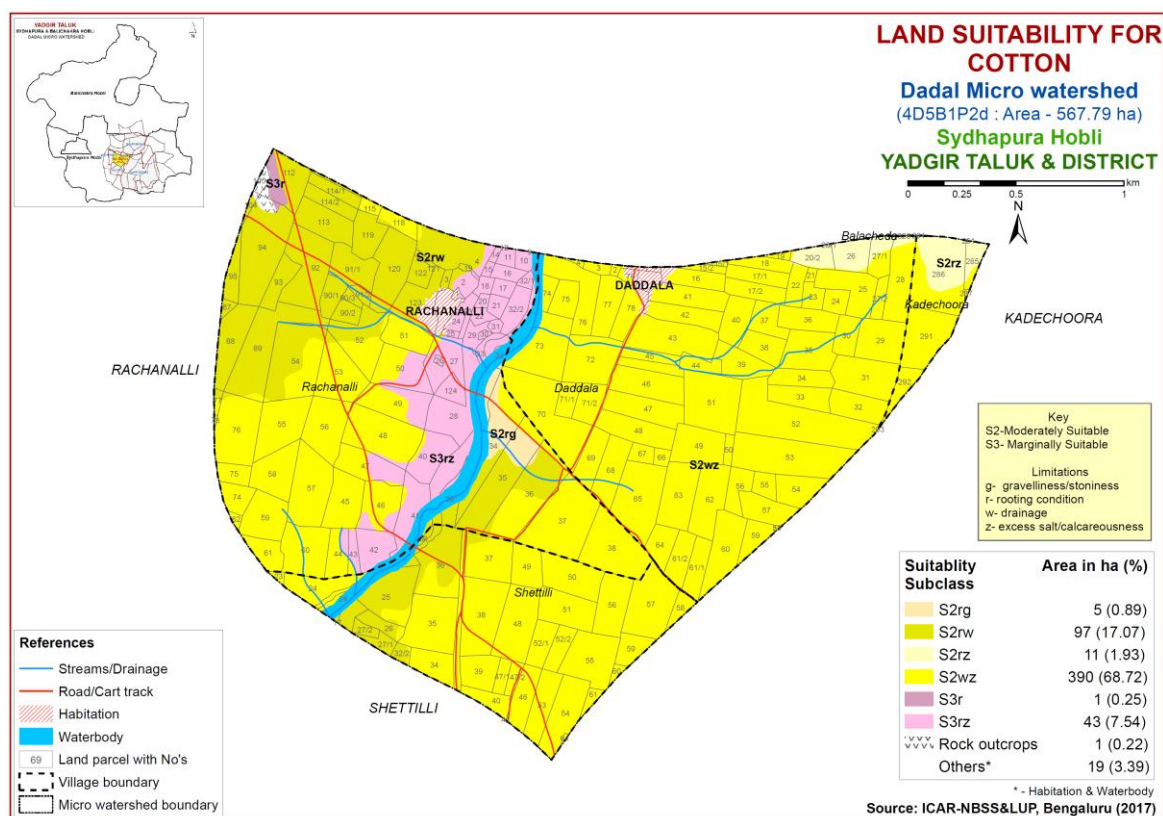
### 7.7 Land Suitability for Cotton (*Gossypium hirsutum*)

Cotton is the most important fibre crop grown in the state in about 8.75 lakh ha area in Raichur, Dharwad, Belgaum, Kalaburgi, Bijapur, Bidar, Bellary, Chitradurga and Chamarajnagar districts. The crop requirements for growing cotton (Table 7.7) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing cotton was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.7.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing cotton. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing cotton and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.7 Crop suitability criteria for Cotton**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil-site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	1-2	2-3	3-5	>5
LGP	Days	180-240	120-180	<120	
Soil drainage	class	Well to moderately well	imperfectly drained	Poor somewhat excessive	Stagnant/excessive
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-7.5	7.6-8.0	8.1-9.0	>9.0 >6.5
Surface soil texture	Class	Sic, c	Sicl, cl	Si, sil, sc, scl, l	Sl, s,ls
Soil depth	Cm	100-150	60-100	30-60	<30
Gravel content	% vol.	<5	5-10	10-15	15-35
CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	<3	3-5	5-10	10-20
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	2-4	4.0-8.0	8.0-12	>12
Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-20	20-30	>30



**Fig. 7.7 Land Suitability map of Cotton**

### 7.8 Land Suitability for Bengal gram (*Cicer aerativum*)

Bengal gram is the most important pulse crop grown in about 9.39 lakh ha area in Bijapur, Raichur, Kalaburgi, Dharwad, Belgaum and Bellary districts. The crop requirements for growing Bengal gram (Table 7.8) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing Bengal gram was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.8.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing bengal gram. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing bengalgram and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.8 Crop suitability criteria for Bengal gram**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>100	90-100	70-90	<70
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to well drained; imperfectly drained	Poorly drained; excessively drained	Very Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.0-7.5	5.5-5.7, 7.6-8.0	8.1-9.0;4.5-5.4	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	l, scl, sil, cl,	sicl, sic, c	S1, c>60%	
Soil depth	Cm	>75	51-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Salinity (ECe)	dsm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	



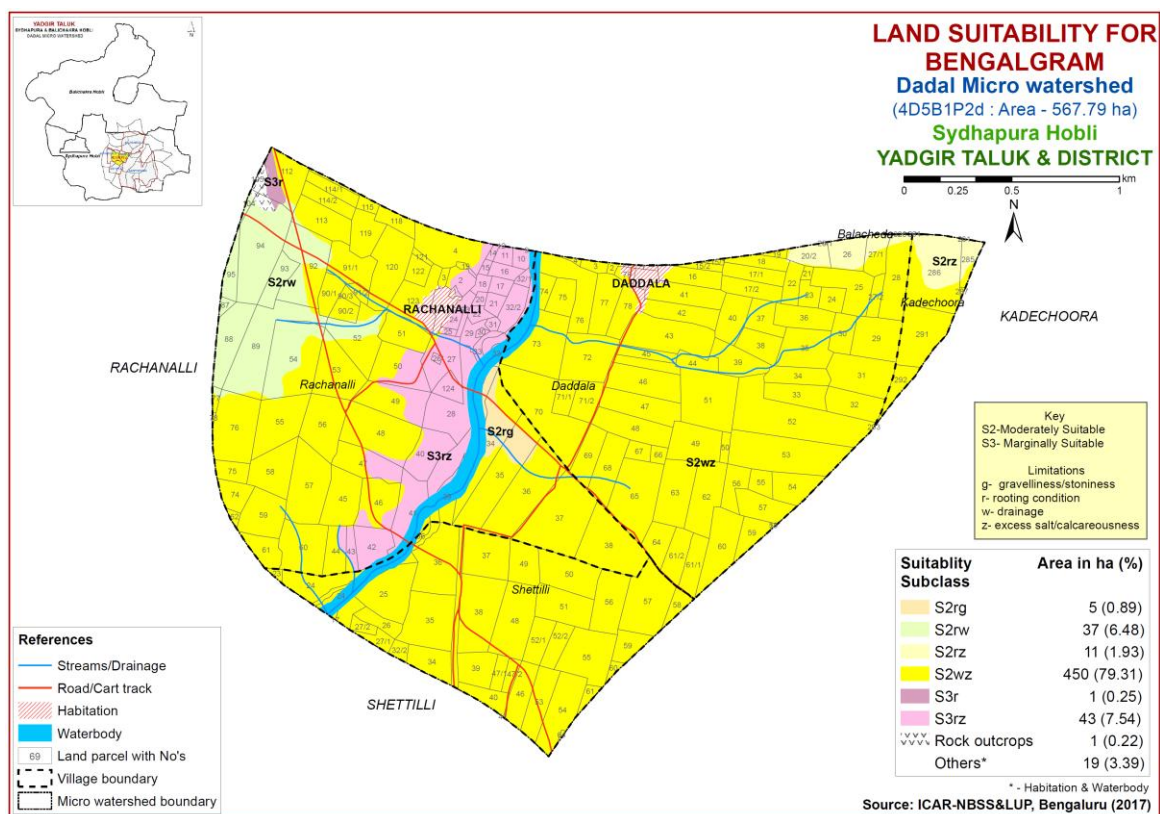


Fig. 7.8 Land Suitability map of Bengal gram

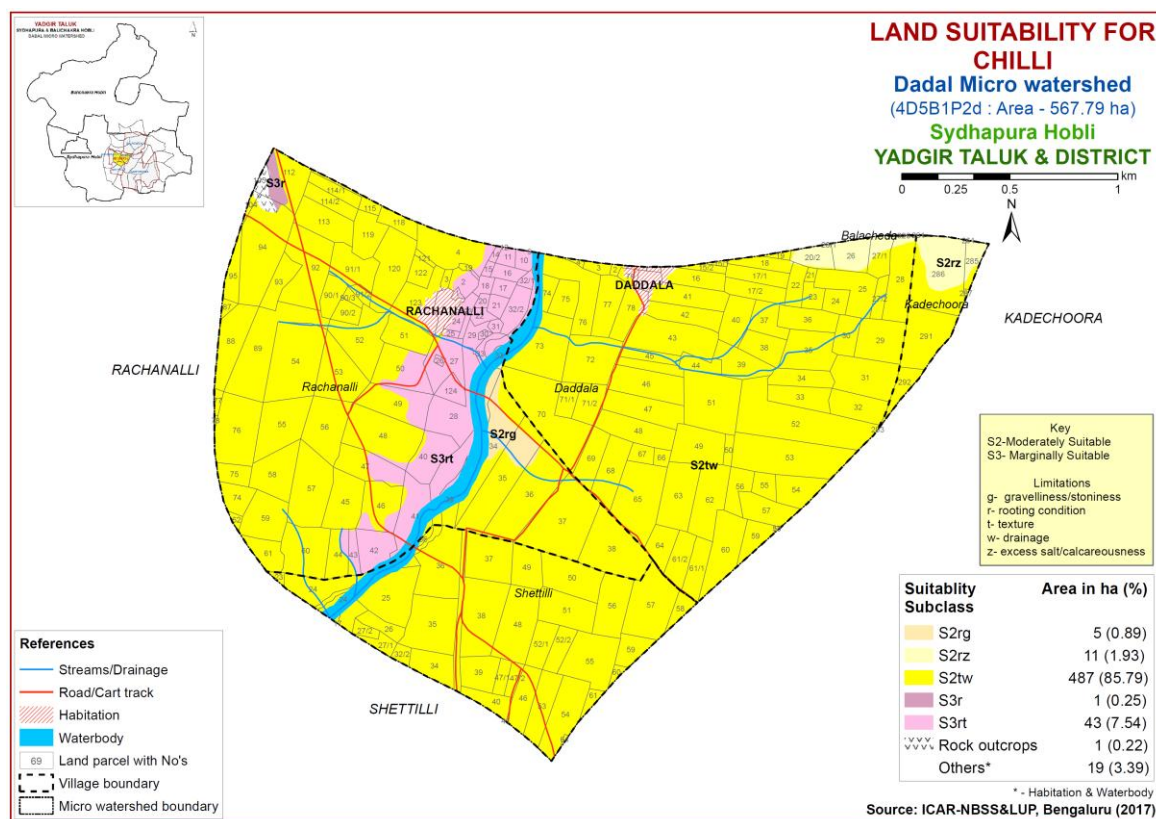
### 7.9 Land Suitability for Chilli (*Capsicum annum*)

Chilli is the most important fruit and spice crop grown in about 0.42 lakh ha in Karnataka state. The crop requirements for growing chilli (Table 7.9) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing chilli was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.9.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing chilli. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing chilli and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

**Table 7.9 Crop suitability criteria for Chilli**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Mean temperature in growing season	<sup>0</sup> c	20-30	30-35, 13-15	35-40, 10-12	>40,<10
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	<90
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately drained	Imp./ poor drained/excessively	Very poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-7.8, 6.0-7.0	7.8-8.4	8.4-9.0, 5.0-5.9	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	scl, cl, sil	sl, sc, sic,c(m/k)	C(ss), ls, s	
Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Salinity (ECe)	dsm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0	<4
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	



**Fig 7.9 Land Suitability map of Chilli**



### 7.10 Land Suitability for Tomato (*Lycopersicon esculentum*)

Tomato is the most important fruit crop grown in about 0.61 lakh ha covering almost all the district of the state. The crop requirements for growing tomato (Table 7.10) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing tomato was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.10.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing tomato. A small area of about 16 ha (3%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing tomato and are distributed in the central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy major area of about 531 ha (94%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth, drainage and texture.

**Table 7.10 Crop suitability criteria for Tomato**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
climate	Temperature in growing season	<sup>0</sup> c	25-28	29-32 , 20-24	15-19 33-36	<15, >36
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V. poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	l, sl, cl, scl	Sic, sicl, sc, c(m/k)	C (ss), ls	s
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.5-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	ds/m	Non saline	slight	strongly	
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	>10

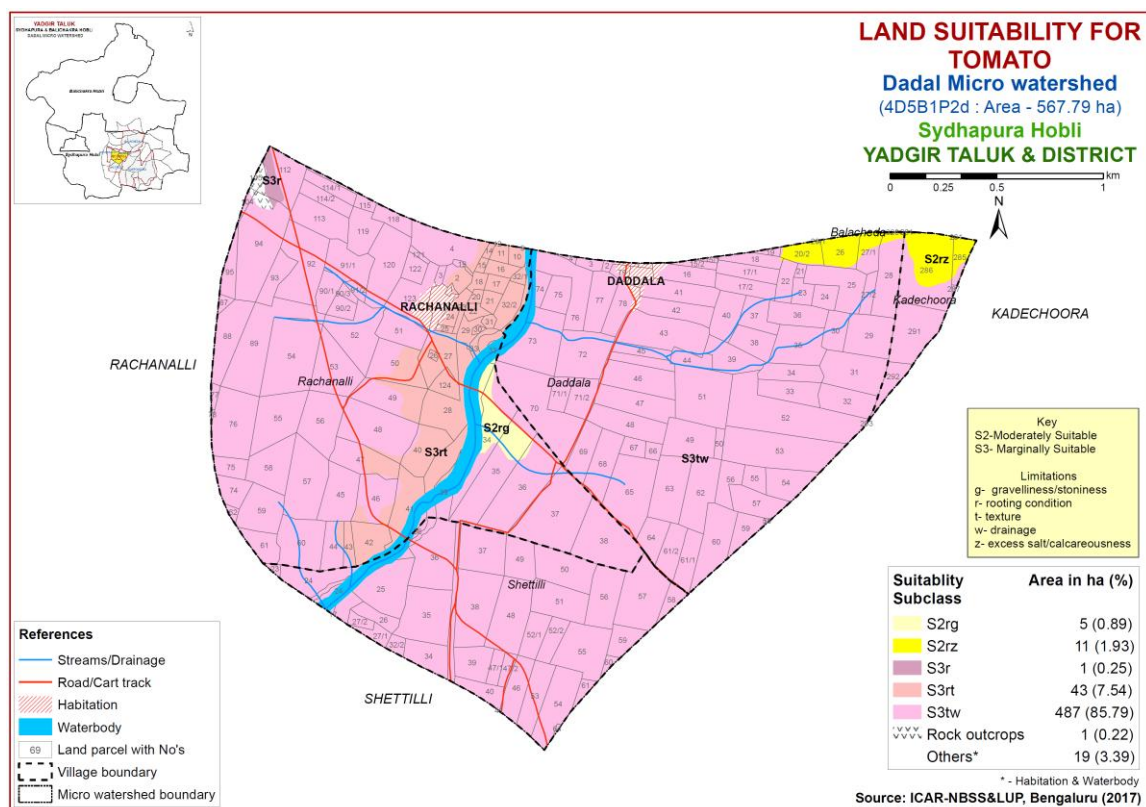


Fig 7.10 Land Suitability map of Tomato

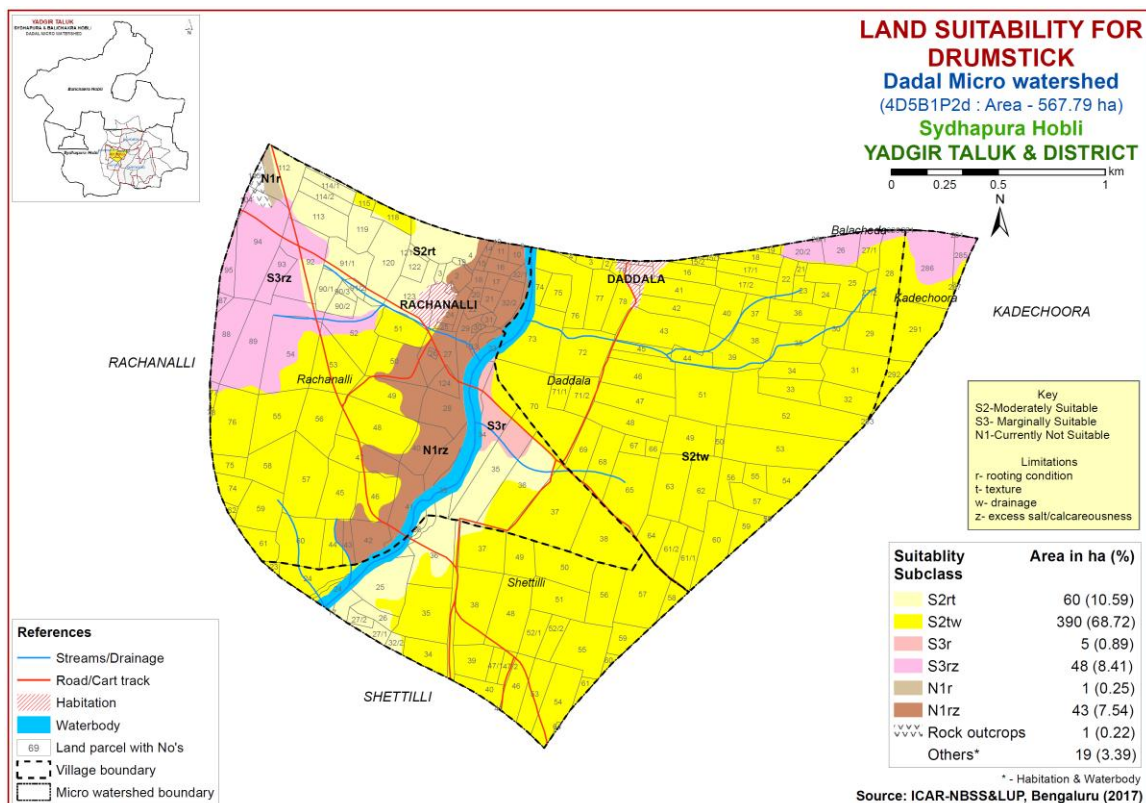
### 7.11 Land Suitability for Drumstick (*Moringa oleifera*)

Drumstick is the most important vegetable crop grown in about 2403 ha in the state. The crop requirements for growing drumstick (Table 7.11) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing drumstick was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.11.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing drumstick. Major area of about 450 ha (79%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for drumstick and is distributed dominantly in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 53 ha (9%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the northwestern, central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.11 Crop suitability criteria for Drumstick**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sc, scl, cl, c (red)	Sl, c (black)	ls	S
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-6.5	5-5.5, 6.5-7.3	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	0-35	35-60	60-80	>80
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-10	-	>10



**Fig 7.11 Land Suitability map of Drumstick**

### 7.12 Land Suitability for Mulberry (*Morus nigra* )

Mulberry is the important crop grown in about 1,66000 ha area in all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing mulberry (Table 7.12) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing mulberry was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.12.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable for growing mulberry. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing mulberry and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of gravelliness, texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

**Table 7.12 Crop suitability criteria for Mulberry**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sc, cl, scl	C (red)	C (black), sl, ls	-
	pH	1:2.5				
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	0-35	35-60	60-80	>80
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

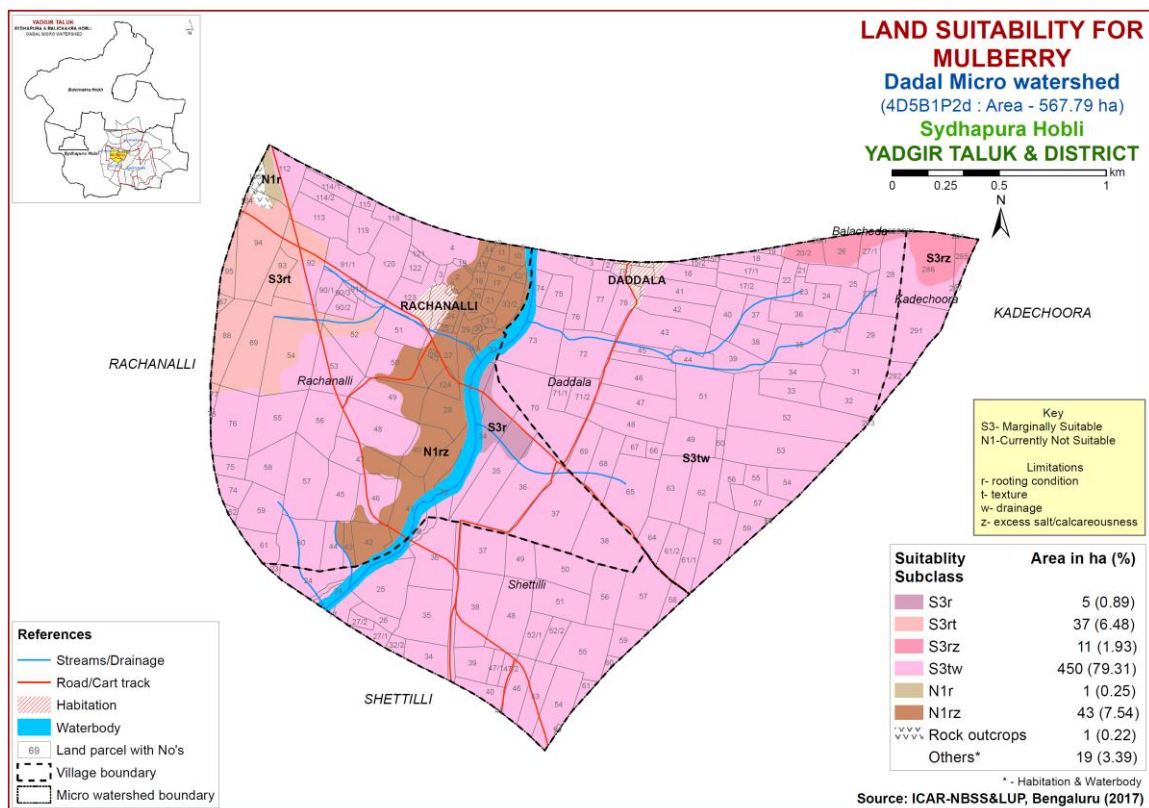


Fig 7.12 Land Suitability map of Mulberry

### 7.13 Land Suitability for Mango (*Mangifera indica*)

Mango is the most important fruit crop grown in about 173080 ha in all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing mango (Table 7.13) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing mango was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.13.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands are available for growing mango in the Dadal microwatershed. Major area of about 450 ha (79%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing mango and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of texture, drainage and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N) occupy an area of about 97 ha (17%) and are distributed in the central, northeastern, northwestern and northern part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.13 Crop suitability criteria for Mango**

Crop requirement			Rating			
soil-site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
climate	Temp in growing season	°C	28-32	24-27 33-35	36-40	20-24
	Min. temp. before flowering	°C	10-15	15-22	>22	
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>180	150-180	120-150	<120
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. To imperfectly drained	Poor drained	Very poorly drained
	Water table	M	>3	2.50-3.0	2.5-1.5	<1.5
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sc, l, sil, cl	Sl, sc, sic, l, c	C (<60%)	C (>60%),
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.5	7.6-8.55.0-5.4	8.6-9.0 4.0-4.9	>9.0 <4.0
	OC	%	High	medium	low	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	<5	5-10	>10
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>200	125-200	75-125	<75
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	<15	15-35	>35
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	<2.0	2.0-3.0	>3.0
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	<10	10-15	>15
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	



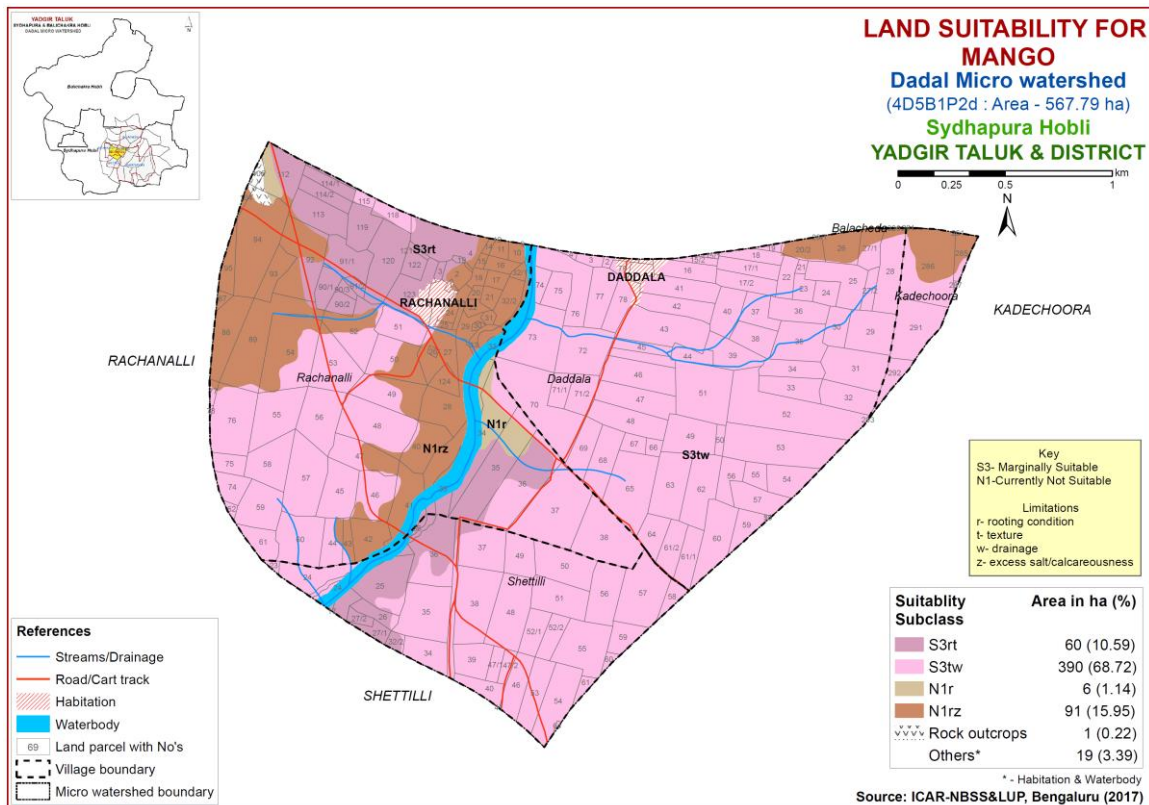


Fig. 7.13 Land Suitability map of Mango

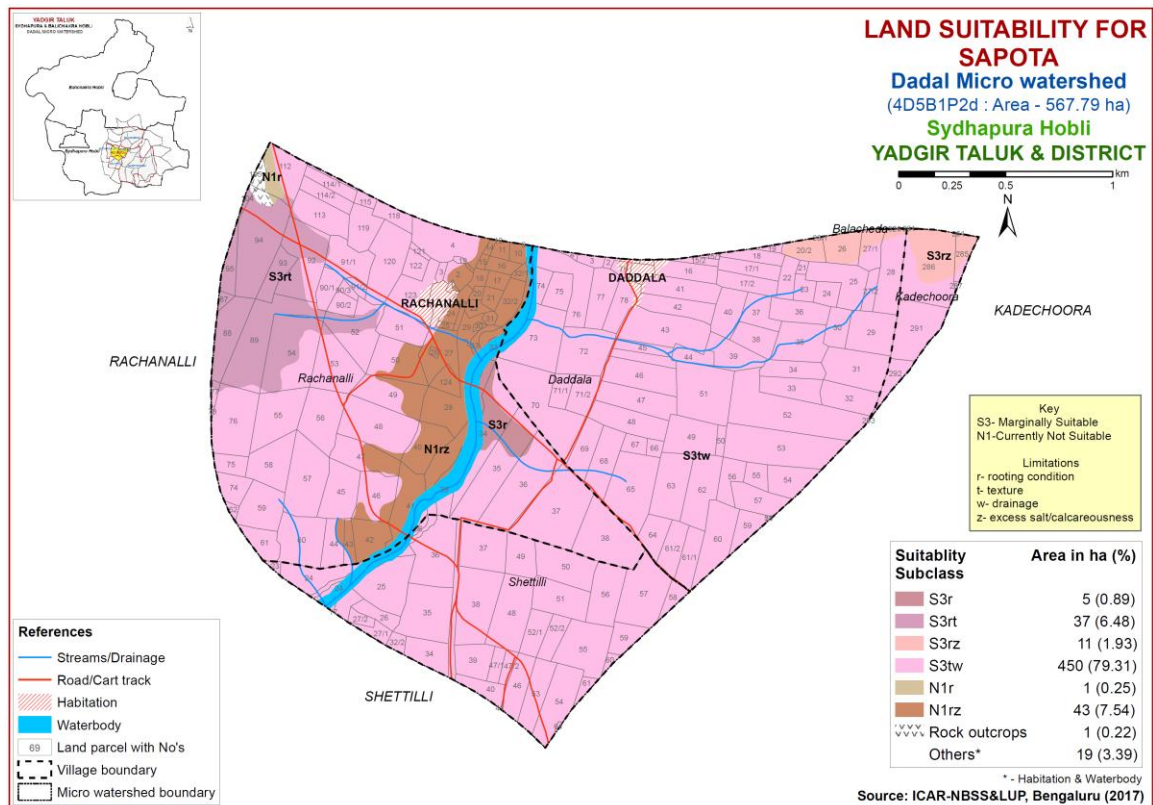
#### 7.14 Land Suitability for Sapota (*Manilkara zapota*)

Sapota is the most important fruit crop grown in about 29373 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing sapota (Table 7.14) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing sapota was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.14.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) and moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing sapota. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sapota and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.14 Crop suitability criteria for Sapota**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
climate	Temperature in growing season	<sup>0</sup> C	28-32	33-36 24-27	37-42 20-23	>42 <18
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	<120
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, l, cl, sil	Sl, sicl, sc	C (<60%)	ls, s, C (>60%)
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	7.6-8.0 5.0-5.9	8.1-9.0 4.5-4.9	>9.0 <4.5
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	<10	10-15	>15
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>150	75-150	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	<15	15-35	<35
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	Up to 1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	10-15	15-25	>25
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10



**Fig. 7.14 Land Suitability map of Sapota**

### 7.15 Land Suitability for Guava (*Psidium guajava*)

Guava is the most important fruit crop grown in about 6558 ha in the State of Raichur, Dharwad, Belgaum, Kalaburgi, Bijapur, Bidar, Bellary, Chitradurga, Bangalore, Kolar, Chikkaballapur and Chamarajnar districts. The crop requirements for growing guava (Table 7.15) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing guava was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.15.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) and moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing guava. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing guava and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth, texture and excess salt.

**Table 7.15 Crop suitability criteria for Guava**

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)	
climate	Temperature in growing season	°C	28-32	33-36 24-27	37-42 20-23	
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	<90
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to imperfectly	poor	Very poor
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, l, cl, sil	Sl,sicl,sic.,sc, c	C (<60%)	C (>60%)
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	7.6-8.0:5.0-5.9	8.1-8.5:4.5-4.9	>8.5:<4.5
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	<10	10-15	>15
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	<2.0	2.0-4.0	4.0-6.0	
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	10-15	15-25	>25
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

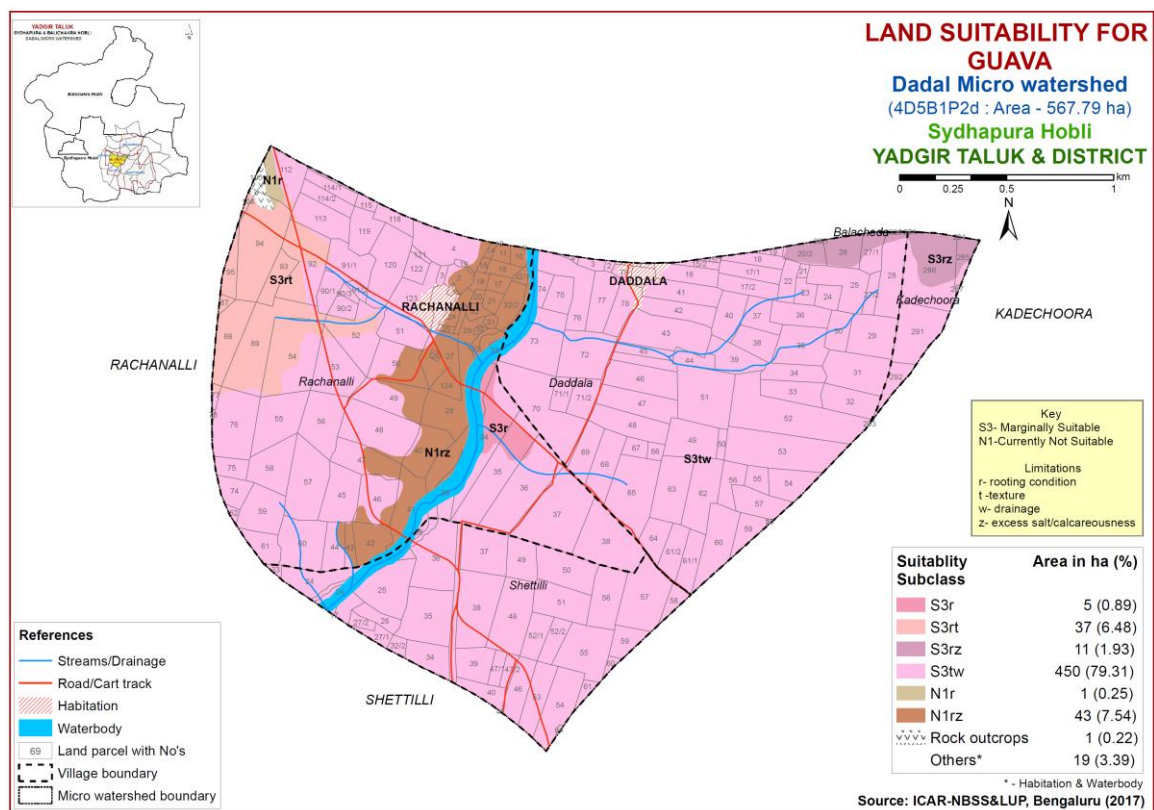


Fig 7.15 Land Suitability map of Guava

### 7.16 Land Suitability for Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*)

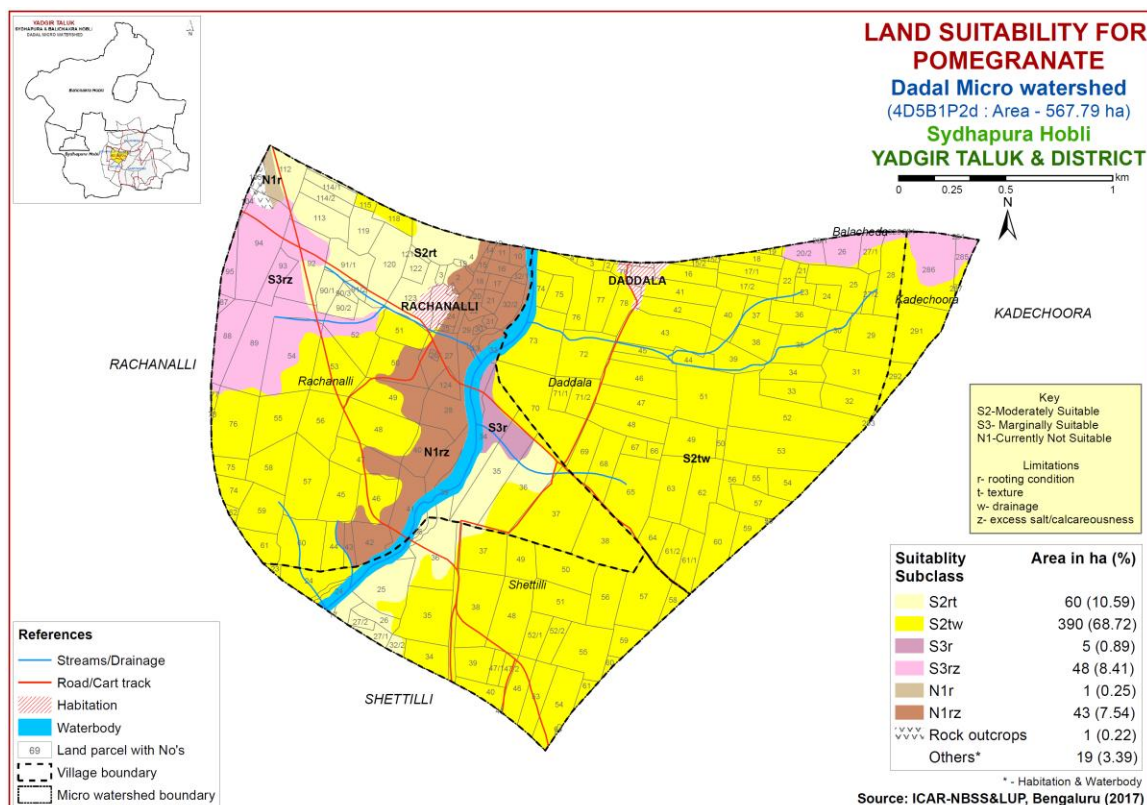
Pomegranate is the most important fruit crop commercially grown in about 18488 ha in Karnataka in an area of about 0.16 lakh ha mainly in Bijapur, Bagalkot, Koppal, Gadag and Chitradurga districts. The crop requirements for growing pomegranate (Table 7.16) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing pomegranate was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.16.

In Dadal microwatershed, there are no lands that are highly (Class S1) suitable for growing pomegranate. Major area of about 450 ha (79%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for pomegranate and is distributed dominantly in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 53 ha (9%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing pomegranate and are distributed in the northwestern, central and northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth, drainage and texture. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing pomegranate and are distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.



**Table 7.16 Crop suitability criteria for Pomegranate**

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)	
climate	Temperature in growing season	30-34	35-38,25-29	39-40 15-24		
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	<90
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	imperfectly drained		
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sl, scl, l, cl	C, sic, sicl	Cl, s, ls	
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.5	7.6-8.5	8.6-9.0	
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	nil	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	ds/m	Nil	<9	>9	<50
	Sodicity	%	nil			
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	



**Fig 7.16 Land Suitability map of Pomegranate**

### 7.17 Land Suitability for Jackfruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*)

Jackfruit is the most important fruit crop grown in 5368 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing jackfruit (Table 7.17) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing jackfruit was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.17.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands are available for growing jackfruit in the microwatershed. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing jackfruit and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.17 Crop suitability criteria for Jackfruit**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	well	Mod. well	Poorly	Poorly
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl, sc, c (red)	-	Sl, ls, c (black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.3	5.0-5.5,7.3-7.8	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	>5	-



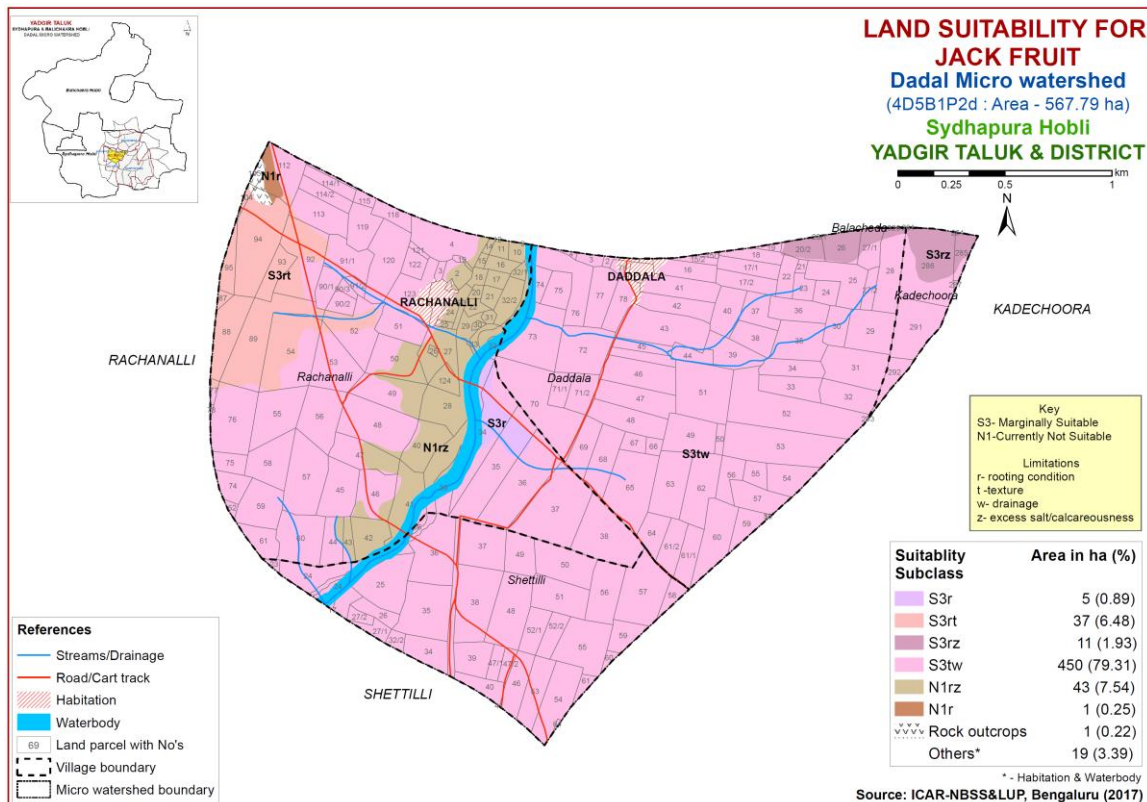


Fig 7.17 Land Suitability map of Jackfruit

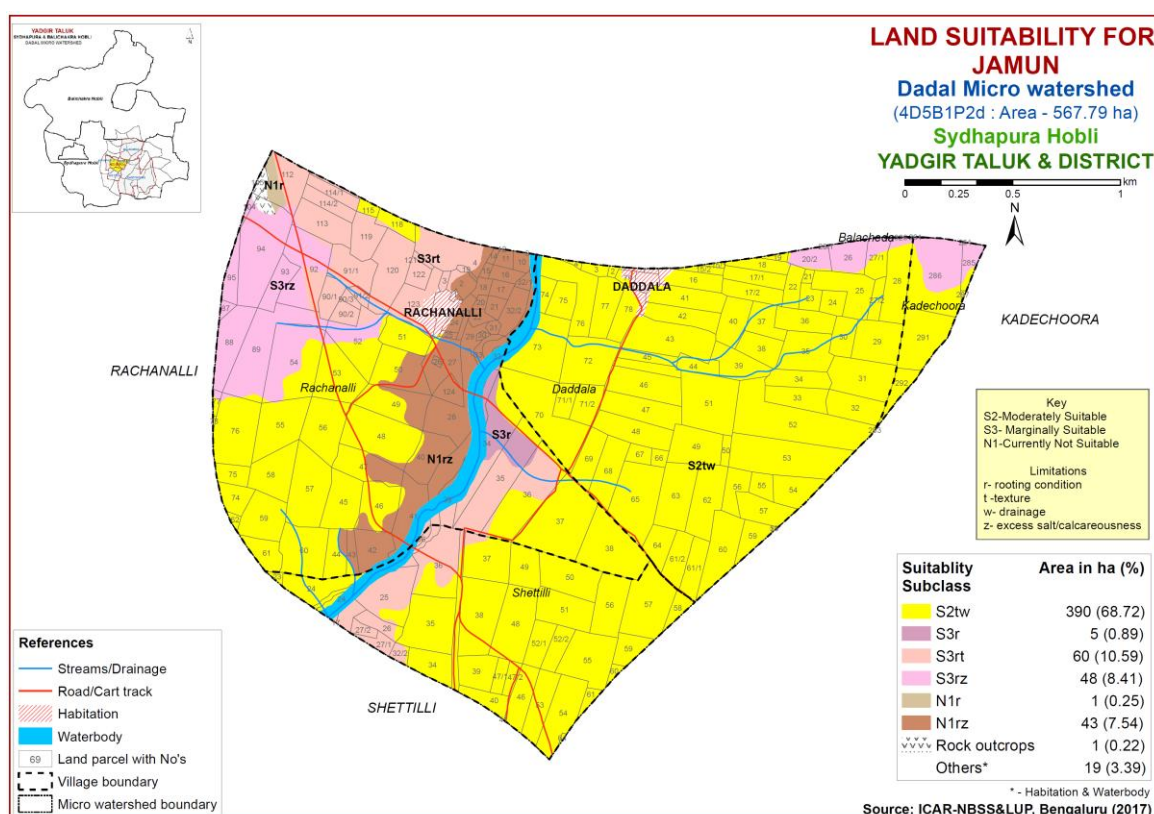
### 7.18 Land Suitability for Jamun (*Syzygium cumini*)

Jamun is the most important fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing jamun (Table 7.18) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing jamun was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.18.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing jamun in the microwatershed. The moderately suitable (Class S2) lands found to occur in major area of about 390 ha (69%). The soils have moderate limitations of texture and drainage. They are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover about an area of 113 ha (20%) and mainly occur in the central, northwestern, northeastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth, excess salt and texture. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing jamun and occur in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.18 Crop suitability criteria for Jamun**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well	Mod. well	Poorly	V.Poorly
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl, sc, C (red)	Sl, C (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.0-6.0	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10



**Fig 7.18 Land Suitability map of Jamun**

**7.19 Land Suitability for Musambi (*Citrus limetta*)**

Musambi is the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 5446 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing musambi were matched with the soil-site characteristics and a land suitability map for growing musambi was

generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.19.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing musambi in the microwatershed. The moderately suitable (Class S2) lands found to occur in major area of about 450 ha (79%). The soils have moderate limitations of rooting depth, excess salt and drainage. They are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover about an area of 53 ha (9%) and mainly occur in the central, northwestern, northeastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing musambi and occur in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

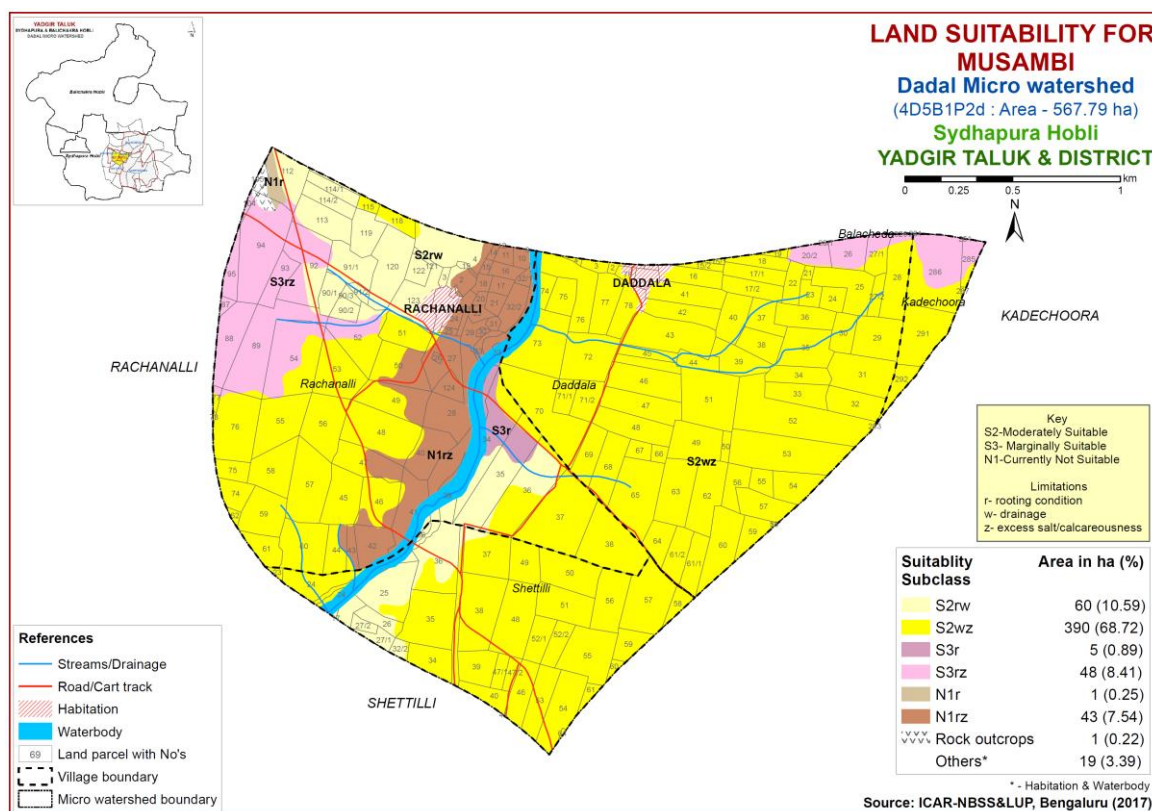


Fig 7.19 Land Suitability map of Musambi

## 7.20 Land Suitability for Lime (*Citrus sp*)

Lime is the most important fruit crop grown in 11752 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing lime (Table 7.19) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing lime was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.20.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing lime in the microwatershed. The moderately suitable (Class S2) lands found to occur in major area of

about 450 ha (79%). The soils have moderate limitations of rooting depth, excess salt and drainage. They are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover about an area of 53 ha (9%) and mainly occur in the central, northwestern, northeastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt. An area of about 44 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing lime and occur in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.19 Crop suitability criteria for Lime**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Climate	Temp in growing season	°C	28-30	31-35 24-27	36-40 20-23	>40 <20
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	240-265	180-240	150-180	<150
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to imperfectly drained	poorly	Very poorly
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, l, sicl, cl, s	Sc, sc, c	C (>70%)	S, ls
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	5.5-6.4/ 7.6-8.0	4.0-5.4 8.1-8.5	<4.0 >8.5
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Upto 5	5-10	>10
Rooting condition	Soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	15-35	35-55	>55
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	Upto 1.0	1.0-2.5	>2.5
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	



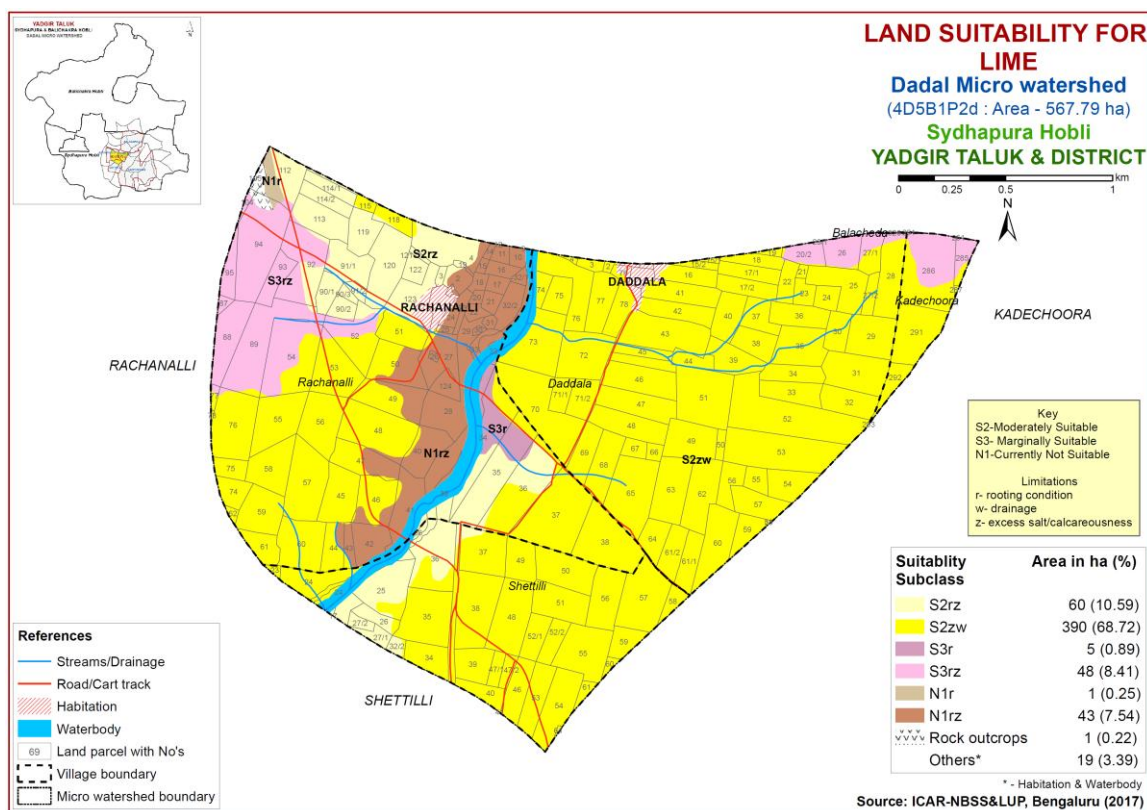


Fig 7.20 Land Suitability map of Lime

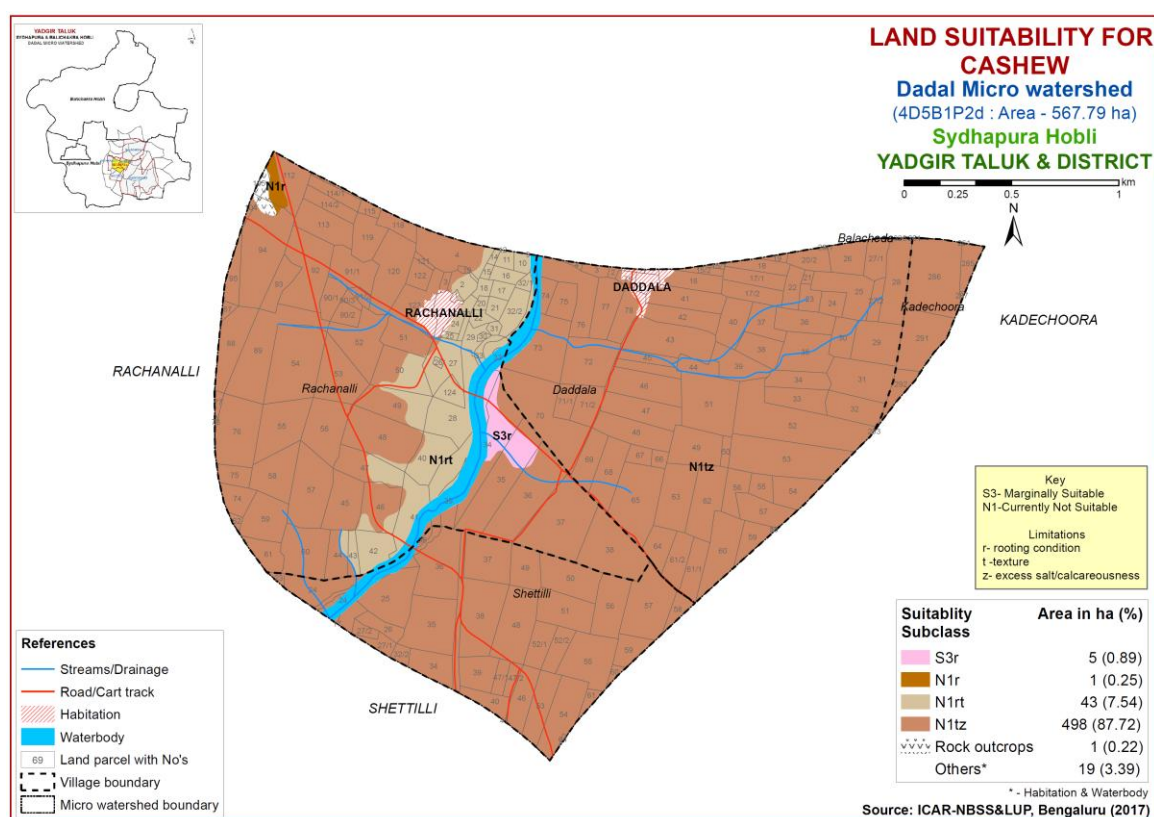
### 7.21 Land Suitability for Cashew (*Anacardium occidentale*)

Cashew is the most important plantation crop grown in an area of about 70552 ha in almost all the districts. The crop requirements for growing Cashew (Table 7.20) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing Cashew was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.21.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately suitable (Class S2) lands are available for growing cashew in the microwatershed. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands found to occur in very small area of about 5 ha (1%). The soils have severe limitation of rooting depth. They are distributed in the central part of the microwatershed. Major area of about 542 ha (95%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing cashew and occur in all parts of the microwatershed. They have very severe limitations of rooting depth, texture and excess salt.

**Table 7.20 Crop suitability criteria for Cashew**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drainage
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class				
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-6.5	5.0-5.5 ,6.5-7.3	7.3-7.8	>7.8
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-10	>10	



**Fig 7.21 Land Suitability map of Cashew**

**7.22 Land Suitability for Custard Apple (*Annona reticulata*)**

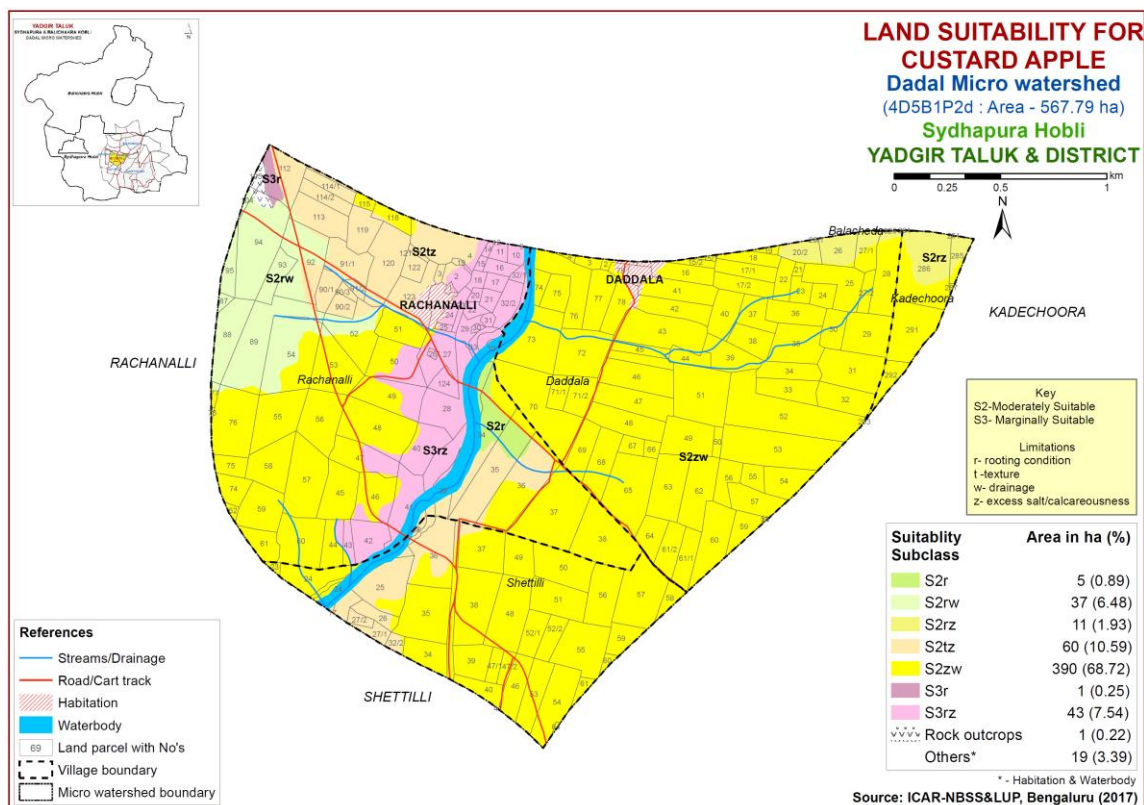
Custard apple is the most important fruit crop grown in 1426 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing custard apple (Table 7.21) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing custard apple was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.22.



No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing custard apple in the microwatershed. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing custard apple and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.21 Crop suitability criteria for Custard Apple**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl, sc, c (red), c (black)	-	S1, ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	7.3-8.4	5.0-5.5, 8.4-9.0	>9.0
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15-35	35-60	60-80	-
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	>5	



**Fig 7.22 Land Suitability map of Custard Apple**

### 7.23 Land Suitability for Amla (*Phyllanthus emblica*)

Amla is the most important medicinal plant grown in 151 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing amla (Table 7.22) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing amla was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.23.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing amla in the microwatershed. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing amla and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.22 Crop suitability criteria for Amla**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod.well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl, sc, c (red)	C (black)	ls, sl	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.3	5.0-5.5	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15-35	35-60	60-80	
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

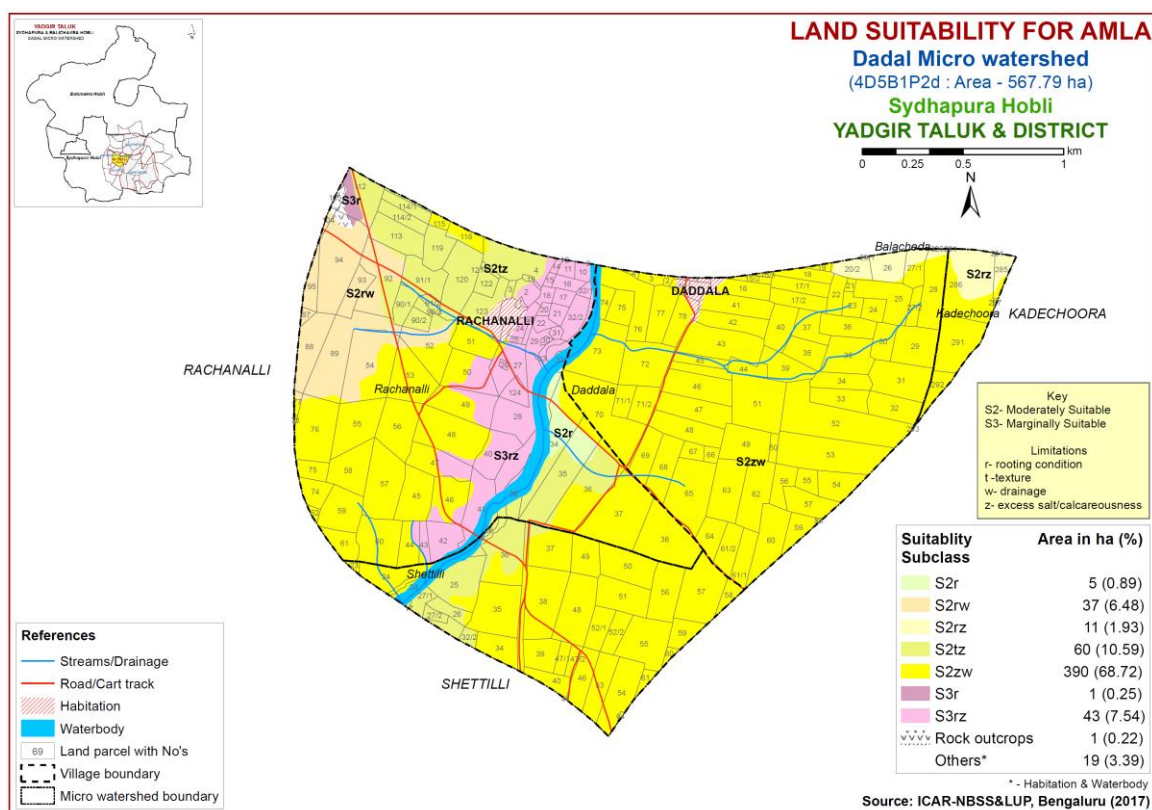


Fig 7.23 Land Suitability map of Amla

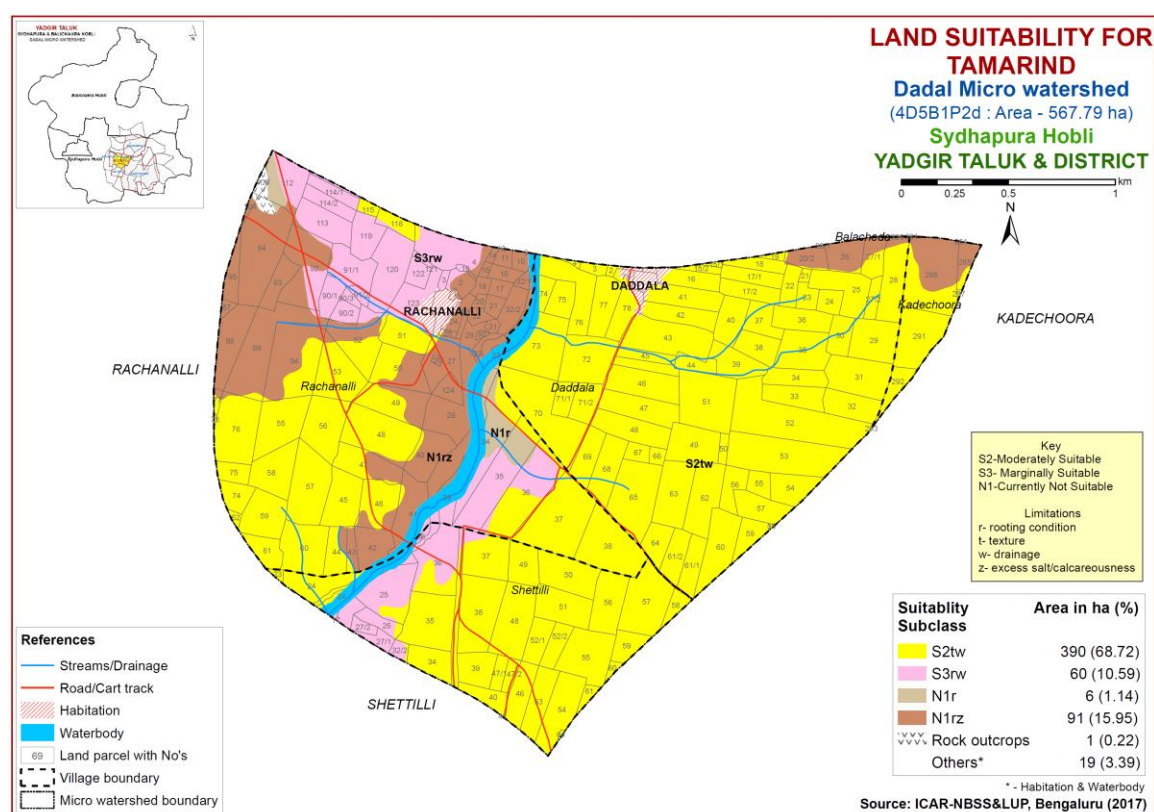
## 7.24 Land Suitability for Tamarind (*Tamarindus indica*)

Tamarind is the most important spice crop raised in 14897 ha in all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing tamarind (Table 7.23) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing tamarind was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.24.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing tamarind in the Dadal microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands are found to occur in major area of about 390 ha (69%). The soils have moderate limitation of texture and drainage. They are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. The marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 60 ha (11%) and mainly occur in the central, southwestern and northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 97 ha (17%) is not suitable (Class N) for growing tamarind and occur in the northern, central, western and northeastern part of the microwatershed. The soils have very severe limitation of excess salt and rooting depth.

**Table 7.23 Crop suitability criteria for Tamarind**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod.well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl,sc, c (red)	Sl, c (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0,7.3-7.8	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>150	100-150	75-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10



**Fig 7.24 Land Suitability map of Tamarind**

**7.25 Land suitability for Marigold (*Tagetes sps.*)**

Marigold is the most important flower crop grown in an area of 9108 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing marigold (Table 7.24) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing marigold was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.25.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing marigold in the microwatershed. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing marigold and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.

**Table 7.24 Land suitability criteria for Marigold**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally Suitable (S3)	Not Suitable (N)
climate	Temperature in growing season		18-23	17-15,24-35	35-40,10-14	>40,<10
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	l ,sl, scl, cl, sil	sicl, sc, sic, c	C	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	7.0-7.5	5.5-5.9,7.6-8.5	<5, >8.5	-
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	-
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	-
Soil toxicity	Salinity	ds/m	Non saline	Slightly	Strongly	-
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	-



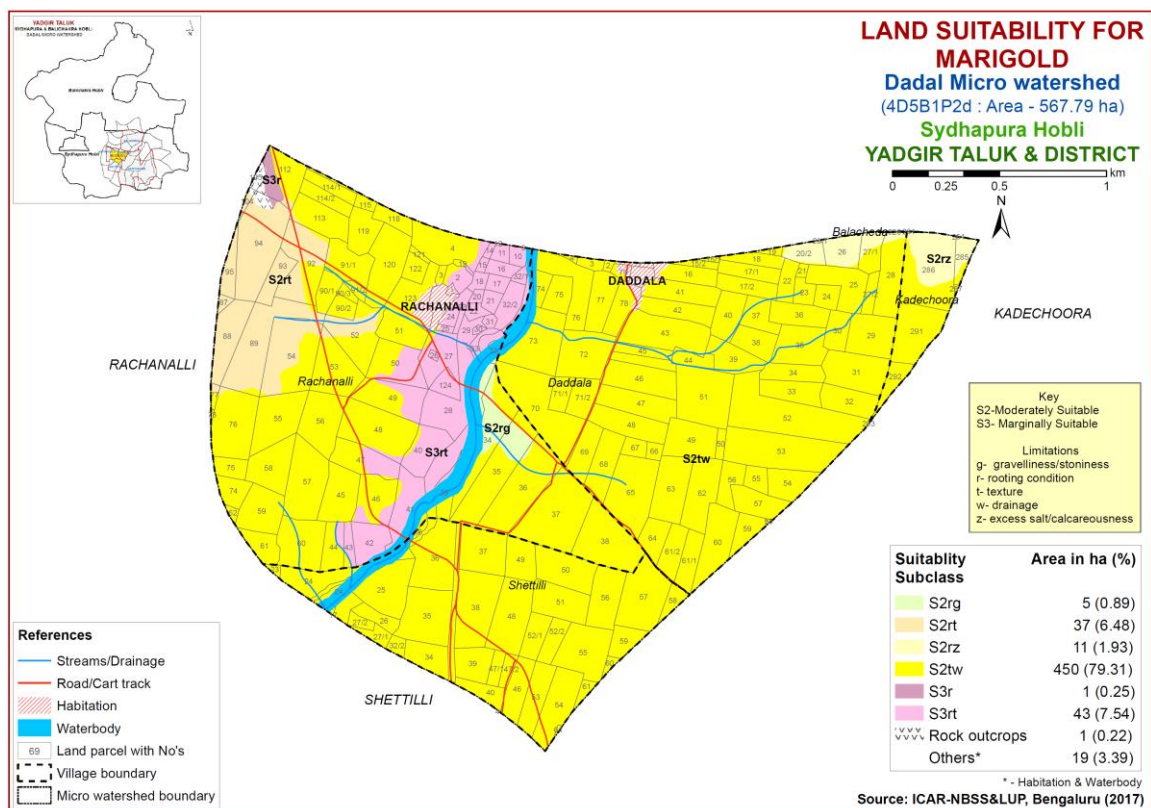


Fig. 7.25 Land Suitability map of Marigold

## 7.26 Land suitability for Chrysanthemum (*Dendranthema grandiflora*)

Chrysanthemum is the most important flower crop grown in an area of 4978 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing chrysanthemum (Table 7.25) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing chrysanthemum was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.26.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands are available for growing chrysanthemum in the microwatershed. Major area of about 503 ha (89%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing chrysanthemum and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage, excess salt and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 44 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central and northern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and excess salt.



Table 7.25 Land suitability criteria for Chrysanthemum

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately Suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
climate	Temperature in growing season		18-23	17-15, 24-35	35-40,10-14	>40, <10
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	l ,sl, scl, cl, sil	sicl, sc, sic,c	C	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	7.0-7.5	5.5-5.9, 7.6-8.5	<5>8.5	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	Cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	ds/m	Non saline	slightly	strongly	
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	

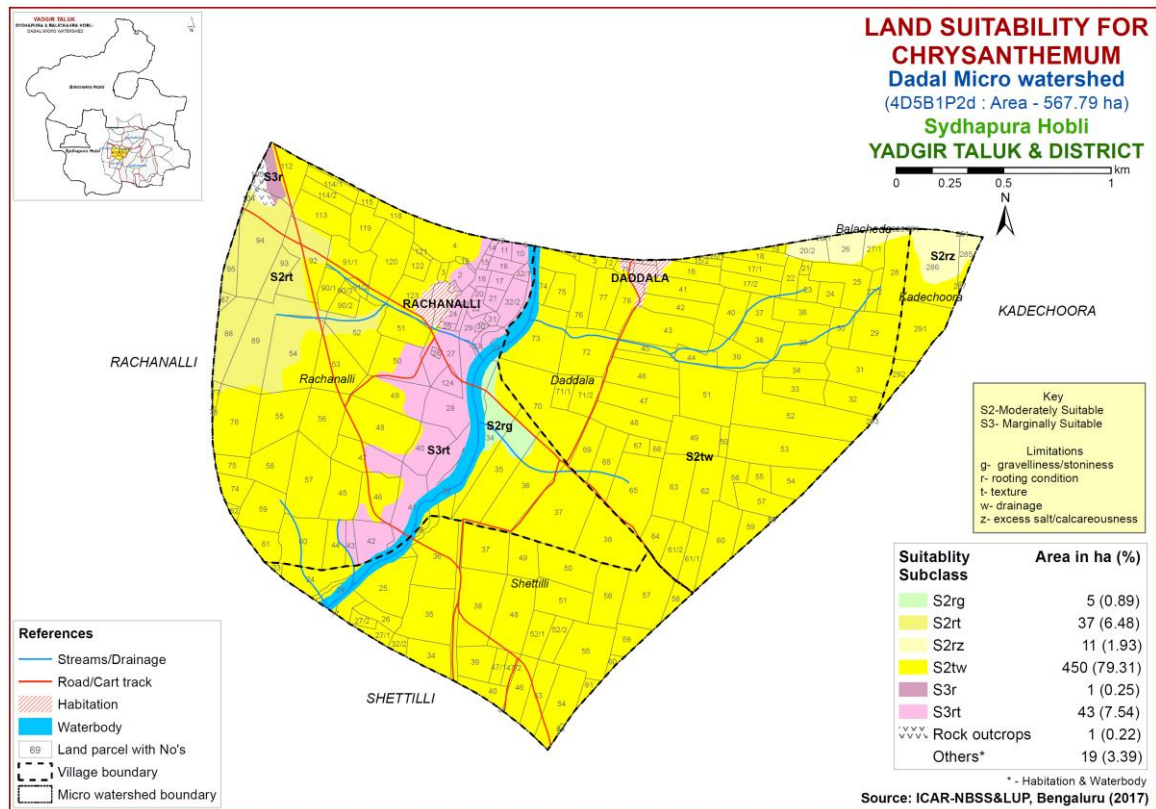


Fig. 7.26 Land Suitability map of Chrysanthemum

### 7.27 Proposed Crop Plan for Dadal Microwatershed

After assessing the land suitability for the 26 crops, a proposed crop plan has been prepared for the 4 identified LUCs by considering only the highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands for each of the 26 crops. The resultant proposed crop plan is presented in Table 7.26.

**Table 7.26 Proposed Crop Plan for Dadal (4D5B1P2d) Micro watershed**

Proposed Land Use Class	Soil Map Units	Survey Number	Field Crops	Horticulture Crops	Suitable Interventions
1	77.RHNcB2 79.RHNmB2 84.KDRcB2 87.KDRiB2 89.KDRmB2 91.SWRmB2 92.HGNcB2 95.HGNmB2 (Moderately deep to very deep black clay soils)	Daddala:4,15/1,15/2,16,17/1,17/2,18,19,2,21,22,23,24,25, 27/1,27/2,28,29,3,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61/1,61/2,62,63,64,65,66,67,68,69,70, 71/1,71/2,72,73,74,75,76,77,78,XX Kadechoora:287,291,292,293 Rachanalli: 112,113,114/1,114/2,115,118,119,120,121,122,123,19,3,35,36,37,38,4,44,45,46,47,48,49,51,52,53,55,56,57,58,59,60,61,62,74,75,76,77,78,90/1,90/2,90/3,91/1,91/2 Shettilli: 17,23,24,25,26,27/1,27/2,32/2,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,46,47/1,47/2,48,49,50,51,52/1,52/2,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61,64	Sunflower, Sorghum, Cotton, Bengal gram, Safflower, Linseed, Bajra	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Pomegranate, Tamarind, Jamun, , Lime, Musambi, Amla, Custard apple, <b>Vegetables:</b> Drumstick, Chilli, Coriander <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
2	73.BLDcB2 75.BLDiB1g1 18.HLGiB2g1 (Moderately shallow, black sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils)	Balacheda: 261,326 Daddala: 20/1,20/2,26 Kadechoora: 285,286 Rachanalli: 104,54,87,88,89,92,93,94,95	Maize, Sorghum, Groundnut, Bengal gram, Bajra	<b>Fruit crops:</b> , Amla, Custard apple, <b>Vegetables:</b> Tomato, Chilli, Coriander <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
3	29. YLRcB2g1 (Moderately shallow, red clay soils)	Rachanalli: 34	Maize, Sorghum, Groundnut, Bajra, Redgram	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Custard apple <b>Vegetables:</b> Tomato, Chilli <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold Chrysanthemum	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
4	67.GDLcB3 (Shallow, black clay soils)	Rachanalli: 10,11,12,124,13,14,15,16,17,18,2,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32/1,32/2,40,41,42,43,50,9	Bengal gram, Horsegram, Coriander	<b>Agri-Silvi-Pasture:</b> Custard apple, Amla, Hybrid Napier, <i>Styloxanthes hamata</i> , <i>Glyricidia</i> , <i>Styloxanthes scabra</i>	Use of short duration varieties, sowing across the slope, drip irrigation and mulching is recommended

## SOIL HEALTH MANAGEMENT

### 8.1 Soil Health

Soil is fundamental to crop production. Without soil, no food could be produced nor would livestock be fed on a large scale. Because it is finite and fragile, soil is a precious resource that requires special care from its users.

Soil health or the capacity of the soil to function is critical to human survival. Soil health has been defined as: “the capacity of the soil to function as a living system without adverse effect on the ecosystem”. Healthy soils maintain a diverse community of soil organisms that help to form beneficial symbiotic associations with plant roots, recycle essential plant nutrients, improve soil structure with positive repercussions for soil, water and nutrient holding capacity and ultimately improve crop production and also contribute to mitigating climate change by maintaining or increasing its carbon content.

Functional interactions of soil biota with organic and inorganic components, air and water determine a soil’s potential to store and release nutrients and water to plants and to promote and sustain plant growth. Thus, maintaining soil health is vital to crop production and conserve soil resource base for sustaining agriculture.

#### **The most important characteristics of a healthy soil are**

- Good soil tilth
- Sufficient soil depth
- Good water storage and good drainage
- Adequate supply, but not excess of nutrients
- Large population of beneficial organisms
- Small proportion of plant pathogens and insect pests
- Low weed pressure
- Free of chemicals and toxins that may harm the crop
- Resistance to degradation
- Resilience when unfavourable conditions occur

#### **Characteristics of Dadal Microwatershed**

- The soil phases with sizeable area identified in the microwatershed belonged to the soil series of HGN (239 ha), KDR (79 ha), SWR (72 ha), RHN (60 ha), GDL (43 ha), BLD (37 ha), HLG (11 ha), YLR (5 ha) and KYT (1 ha).
- As per land capability classification, nearly 96 per cent area comes under arable land category (Class II and III) and 4 per cent area belongs to nonarable land category. The major limitations identified in the arable lands were soil and erosion.
- On the basis of soil reaction, about 348 ha (61%) area is strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) followed by moderately alkaline (pH 7.8-8.4) soils in 142 ha (25%). An area of

about 57 ha (10%) is very strongly alkaline (pH >9.0) in reaction. Thus, about 96 per cent of the soils in the microwatershed are alkaline in reaction.

### **Soil Health Management**

The following actions are required to improve the current land husbandry practices that provide a sound basis for the successful adoption of sustainable crop production system.

#### **Alkaline soils**

(Slightly alkaline to moderately alkaline soils)

1. Regular addition of organic manure, green manuring, green leaf manuring, crop residue incorporation and mulching needs to be taken up to improve the soil organic matter status.
2. Application of biofertilizers (Azospirillum, Azotobacter, Rhizobium).
3. Application of 25% extra N and P (125 % RDN&P).
4. Application of ZnSO<sub>4</sub> – 12.5 kg/ha (once in three years).
5. Application of Boron – 5kg/ha (once in three years).

#### **Neutral soils**

1. Regular addition of organic manure, green manuring, green leaf manuring, crop residue incorporation and mulching needs to be taken up to improve the soil organic matter status.
2. Application of biofertilizers, (Azospirillum, Azotobacter, Rhizobium).
3. Application of 100 per cent RDF.
4. Need based micronutrient applications.

Besides the above recommendations, the best transfer of technology options are also to be adopted.

### **Soil Degradation**

Soil erosion is one of the major factor affecting the soil health in the microwatershed. Out of total area of 568 ha in the microwatershed, major area of 525 ha is suffering from either moderate or severe erosion. These areas need immediate soil and water conservation and other land husbandry practices for restoring soil health.

### **Disseminate information and communicate benefits**

Any large scale implementation of soil health management requires that supporting information is made available widely, particularly through channels familiar to farmers and extension workers. Given the very high priority attached to soil health especially by the Central Government on issuing Soil-Health Cards to all the farmers, media outlets like regional, state and national newspapers, Radio and Dooradarshan programs in local languages but also modern information and communication

technologies such as Cellular phones and the Internet, which can be much more effective in reaching the younger farmers.

### **Inputs for Net Planning and Interventions needed**

Net planning in IWMP is focusing on preparation of

1. Soil and Water Conservation Treatment Plan for each plot or farm.
2. Productivity enhancement measures/ interventions for existing crops/livestock/other farm enterprises.
3. Diversification of farming mainly with perennial horticultural crops and livestock.
4. Improving livelihood opportunities and income generating activities.

In this connection, how various outputs of Sujala-III are of use in addressing these objectives of Net Planning are briefly presented below.

- ❖ **Soil Depth:** The depth of a soil decides the amount of moisture and nutrients it can hold, what crops can be taken up or not, depending on the rooting depth and the length of growing period available for raising any crop. Deeper the soil, better for a wide variety of crops. If sufficient depth is not available for growing deep rooted crops either choose medium or short duration crops or deeper planting pits need to be opened and additional good quality soil brought from outside has to be filled into the planting pits.
- ❖ **Surface soil texture:** Lighter soil texture in the top soil means, better rain water infiltration, less run-off and soil moisture conservation, less capillary rise and less evaporation losses. Lighter surface textured soils are amenable to good soil tilth and are highly suitable for crops like groundnut, root vegetables (carrot, radish, potato etc) but not ideal for crops that need stagnant water like lowland paddy. Heavy textured soils are poor in water infiltration and percolation. They are prone for sheet erosion; such soils can be improved by sand mulching. The technology that is developed by the AICRP-Dryland Agriculture, Vijayapura, Karnataka may be adopted.
- ❖ **Gravelliness:** More gravel content is favorable for run-off harvesting but poor in soil moisture storage and nutrient availability. It is a significant parameter that decides the kind of crop to be raised.
- ❖ **Land Capability Classification:** The land capability map shows the areas suitable and not suitable for agriculture and the major constraints in each of the plot/survey number. Hence, one can decide what kind of enterprise is possible in each of these units. In general, erosion and soil are the major constraints in Dadal microwatershed.
- ❖ **Organic Carbon:** In about 403 ha (71%) area, the OC content is medium (0.5-0.75%), about 97 ha (17%) area it is high (>0.75%) and in about 47 ha (8 %) area is low (<0.5 %). The areas that are low and medium in OC needs to be further improved



by applying farmyard manure and rotating crops with cereals and legumes or mixed cropping.

- ❖ **Promoting green manuring:** Growing of green manuring crops cost Rs. 1250/ha (green manuring seeds) and about Rs. 2000/ha towards cultivation that totals to Rs. 3250/- per ha. On the other hand, application of organic manure @ 10 tons/ha costs Rs. 5000/ha. The practice needs to be continued for 2-3 years or more. Nitrogen fertilizer needs to be supplemented by 25% in addition to the recommended level in 500 ha area where OC is less than 0.5-0.75%. For example, for rainfed maize, recommended level is 50 kg N per ha and an additional 12 kg /ha needs to be applied for all the crops grown in these plots.
- ❖ **Available Phosphorus:** In 128 ha (23%) area, the available phosphorus is low, an area of about 416 ha (73%) it is medium and an area of about 4 ha (<1%) is high in available phosphorus in the microwatershed. Hence for all the crops, 25% additional P-needs to be applied, where it is low or medium in available phosphorus.
- ❖ **Available Potassium:** Available potassium is medium in 279 ha (49%) area of the microwatershed. Hence, in all these plots, for all crops, additional 25 % potassium may be applied. It is high in 268 ha (47%) area of the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Available Sulphur:** Available sulphur is a very critical nutrient for oilseed crops. It is low in 390 ha (69%) area of the microwatershed and medium in 146 ha (26%). These areas need to be applied with magnesium sulphate or gypsum or Factamphos (p) fertilizer (13% sulphur) for 2-3 years for the deficiency to be corrected. High in small area of about 11 ha (2%) in the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Available iron:** It is deficient in 82 ha (14%) area and it is sufficient in 465 ha (82%) area in the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Available Zinc:** Entire area is deficient in available zinc content. Application of zinc sulphate @25kg/ha is to be applied.

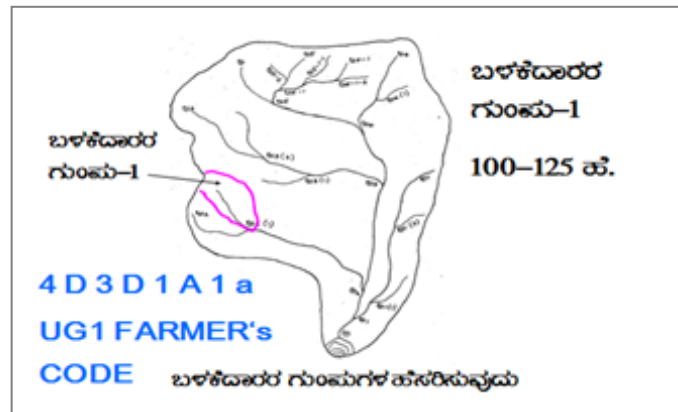
**Soil alkalinity:** The microwatershed has 547 ha area with soils that are alkaline in reaction. These areas need application of gypsum and wherever calcium is in excess, iron pyrites and element sulphur can be recommended. Management practices like treating repeatedly with good quality water to drain out the excess salts and, provision of subsurface drainage and growing of salt tolerant crops like Casuarina, Acacia, Neem, Ber etc., are recommended.

**Land Suitability for various crops:** Areas that are highly, moderately and marginally suitable for growing various crops are indicated. Along with the suitability, various constraints that are limiting the productivity are also indicated. For example, in case of cotton, gravel content, rooting depth and salinity/alkalinity are the major constraints in various plots. With suitable management interventions, the productivity can be enhanced. In order to increase water holding capacity of light textured soils, growing of green manure crops and application of organic manure is recommended.

## SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION TREATMENT PLAN

For preparing soil and water conservation treatment plan for Dadal microwatershed, the land resource inventory database generated under Sujala-III project has been transformed as information through series of interpretative (thematic) maps using soil phase map as a base. The various thematic maps (1:7920 scale) generated were

- Soil depth
- Surface soil texture
- Available water capacity
- Soil slope
- Soil gravelliness
- Land capability
- Present land use and land cover
- Crop suitability maps
- Rainfall map
- Hydrology
- Water Resources
- Socio-economic data
- Contour plan with existing features- Network of waterways, pothissa boundaries, cut up/ minor terraces etc.
- Cadastral map (1:7920 scale)
- Satellite imagery (1:7920 scale)



Apart from these, Hand Level/ Hydro Marker/ Dumpy Level/ Total Station and Kathedars' List needs to be collected.

### Steps for Survey and Preparation of Treatment Plan

The boundaries of Land User Groups' and Survey No. boundaries are traced in the field.

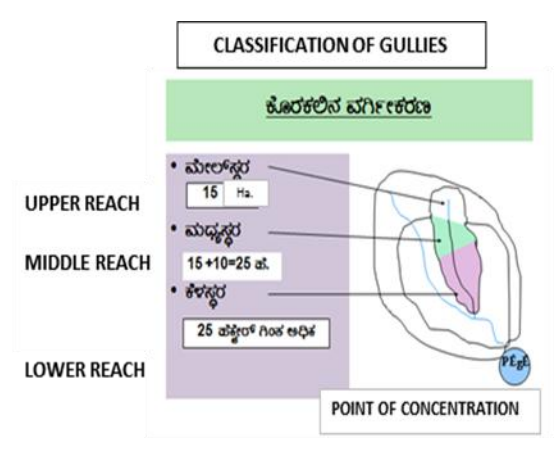
- Naming of user groups and farmers
- Identification of arable and non arable lands
- Identification of drainage lines and gullies
- Identification of non treatable areas
- Identification of priority areas in the arable lands
- Treatment plan for arable lands
- Location of water harvesting and recharge structures

## 9.1 Treatment Plan

The treatment plan recommended for arable lands is briefly described below

### 9.1.1 Arable Land Treatment

#### A. BUNDING

Steps for Survey and Preparation of Treatment Plan		<b>USER GROUP-1</b>  <b>CLASSIFICATION OF GULLIES</b> 
Cadastral map (1:7920 scale) is enlarged to a scale of 1:2500 scale		
Existing network of waterways, pottissa boundaries, grass belts, natural drainage lines/ watercourse, cut ups/ terraces are marked on the cadastral map to the scale		
Drainage lines are demarcated into		
Small gullies	(up to 5 ha catchment)	
Medium gullies	(5-15 ha catchment)	
Ravines	(15-25 ha catchment) and	
Halla/Nala	(more than 25ha catchment)	

#### Measurement of Land Slope

Land slope is estimated or determined by the study and interpretation of contours or by measurement in the field using simple instruments like Hand level or Hydromarker.



Vertical and Horizontal intervals between bunds as recommended by the Watershed Development Department.

Slope percentage	Vertical interval (m)	Corresponding Horizontal Distance (m)
2 - 3%	0.6	24
3 - 4%	0.9	21
4 - 5%	0.9	21
5 - 6%	1.2	21
6 - 7%	1.2	21

**Note:** (i) The above intervals are maximum.

(ii) Considering the slope class and erosion status (A1-A=0-1 % slope, 1= Slight erosion) the intervals have to be decided.

**Bund length recording:** Considering the contour plan and the existing grass belts/partitions, the bunds are aligned and lengths are measured.

### Section of the Bund

Bund section is decided considering the soil texture class and gravelliness class ( $g_0$ , b=loamy sand,  $g_0 = <15\%$  gravel). The recommended Sections for different soils are given below.

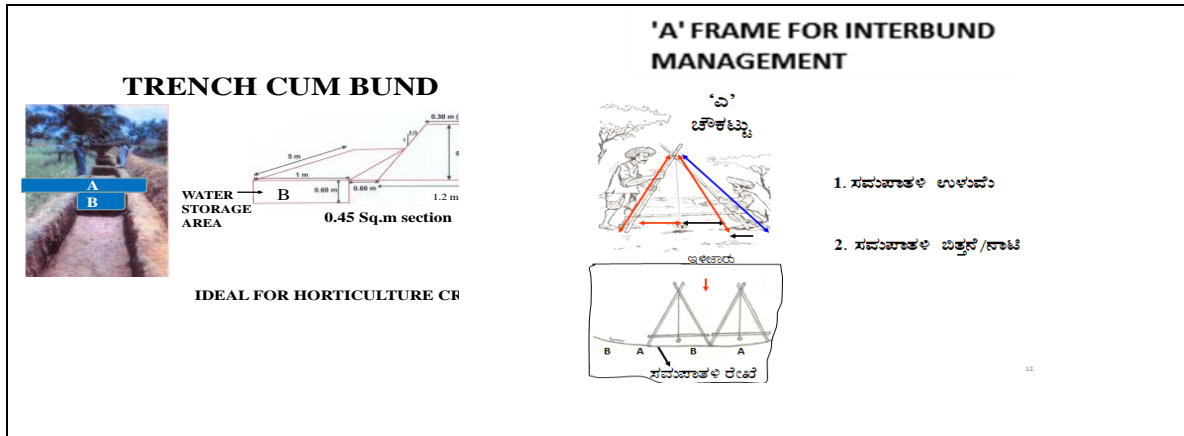
#### Recommended Bund Section

Top width (m)	Base width (m)	Height (m)	Side slope (Z:1;H:V)	Cross section (sq m)	Soil Texture	Remarks
0.3	0.9	0.3	01:01	0.18	Sandy loam	Vegetative bund
0.3	1.2	0.3	1.5:1	0.225	Sandy clay	
0.3	1.2	0.5	0.9:1	0.375	Red gravelly soil	
0.3	1.2	0.6	0.75:1	0.45		
0.3	1.5	0.6	01:01	0.54	Red sandy loam	
0.3	2.1	0.6	1.5:1	0.72	Very shallow black soils	
0.45	2	0.75	01:01	0.92		
0.45	2.4	0.75	1.3:1	1.07	Shallow black soils	
0.6	3.1	0.7	1.78:1	1.29	Medium black soils	
0.5	3	0.85	1.47:1	1.49		

### Formation of Trench cum Bund

Dimensions of the Borrow Pits/Trenches to be excavated (machinery are decided considering the Bund Section).

Details of Borrow Pit dimensions are given below:



**Size of Borrow Pits/ Trench recommended for Trench cum Bund (by machinery)**

Bund section	Bund length	Earth quantity	Pit				Berm (pit to pit)	Soil depth class
			L(m)	W(m)	D(m)	QUANTITY (m <sup>3</sup> )		
m <sup>2</sup>	m	m <sup>3</sup>	L(m)	W(m)	D(m)	QUANTITY (m <sup>3</sup> )	m	
0.375	6	2.25	5.85	0.85	0.45	2.24	0.15	Shallow
0.45	6	2.7	5.4	1.2	0.43	2.79	0.6	Shallow
0.45	6	2.7	5	0.85	0.65	2.76	1	Moderately Shallow
0.54	5.6	3.02	5.5	0.85	0.7	3.27	0.1	Moderately shallow
0.54	5.5	2.97	5	1.2	0.5	3	0.5	Shallow
0.72	6.2	4.46	6	1.2	0.7	5.04	0.2	Moderately shallow
0.72	5.2	3.74	5.1	0.85	0.9	3.9	0.1	Moderately deep

### B. Water Ways

- Existing waterways are marked on the cadastral map (1:7920 scale) and their dimensions are recorded.
- Considering the contour plan of the MWS, additional waterways/ modernization of the existing ones can be thought of.
- The design details are given in the Manual.

### C. Farm Ponds

Waterways and the catchment area will give an indication on the size of the Farm Pond. Location of the pond can be decided based on the contour plan/ field condition and farmers' need/desire.

## **D. Diversion Channel**

Existing EPT/ CPT are marked on the cadastral map. Looking to the need, these can be modernized or fresh diversion channel can be proposed and runoff from this can be stored in Gokatte/ Recharge ponds.

### **9.1.2 Non-Arable Land Treatment**

Depending on the gravelliness and crops preferred by the farmers, the concerned authorities can decide appropriate treatment plan. The recommended treatments may be Contour Trench, Staggered Trench, Crescent Bund, Boulder Bund or Pebble Bund are formed in the field.

### **9.1.3 Treatment of Natural Water Course/ Drainage Lines**

- a) The cadastral map has to be updated as regards the network of drainage lines (gullies/ nalas/ hallas) and existing structures are marked to the scale and storage capacity of the existing water bodies are documented.
- b) The drainage line will be demarcated into Upper Reach, Middle Reach and Lower Reach.
- c) Considering the Catchment, Nala bed and bank conditions, suitable structures are decided.
- d) Number of storage structures (Check dam/ Nala bund/ Percolation tank) will be decided considering the commitments and available runoff in water budgeting and quality of water in the wells and site suitability.
- e) Detailed Levelling Survey using Dumpy Level / Total Station has to be carried out to arrive at the site-specific designs as shown in the Manual.
- f) The location of ground water recharge structures are decided by examining the lineaments and fracture zones from geological maps.
- g) Rainfall intensity data of the nearest Rain gauge station is considered for Hydrologic Designs.
- h) Silt load to the Storage/Recharge structures is reduced by providing vegetative, boulder and earthen checks in the natural water course. Location and design details are given in the Manual.

## **9.2 Recommended Soil and Water Conservation Measures**

The appropriate conservation structures best suited for each of the land parcel/ survey number (Appendix-I) are selected based on the slope per cent, severity of erosion, amount of rainfall, land use and soil type. The different kinds of conservation structures recommended are:

1. Graded / Strengthening of bunds
2. Trench cum Bunds (TCB)
3. Trench cum Bunds / Strengthening
4. Crescent Bunds



A map (Fig. 9.1) showing soil and water conservation plan with different kinds of structures recommended has been prepared which shows the spatial distribution and extent of area. Major area of about 542 ha (95%) requires graded bunding / strengthening of field bunds and 5 ha (1%) area required trench cum bunding.

The conservation plan prepared may be presented to all the stakeholders including farmers and after including their suggestions, the conservation plan for the microwatershed may be finalised in a participatory approach.

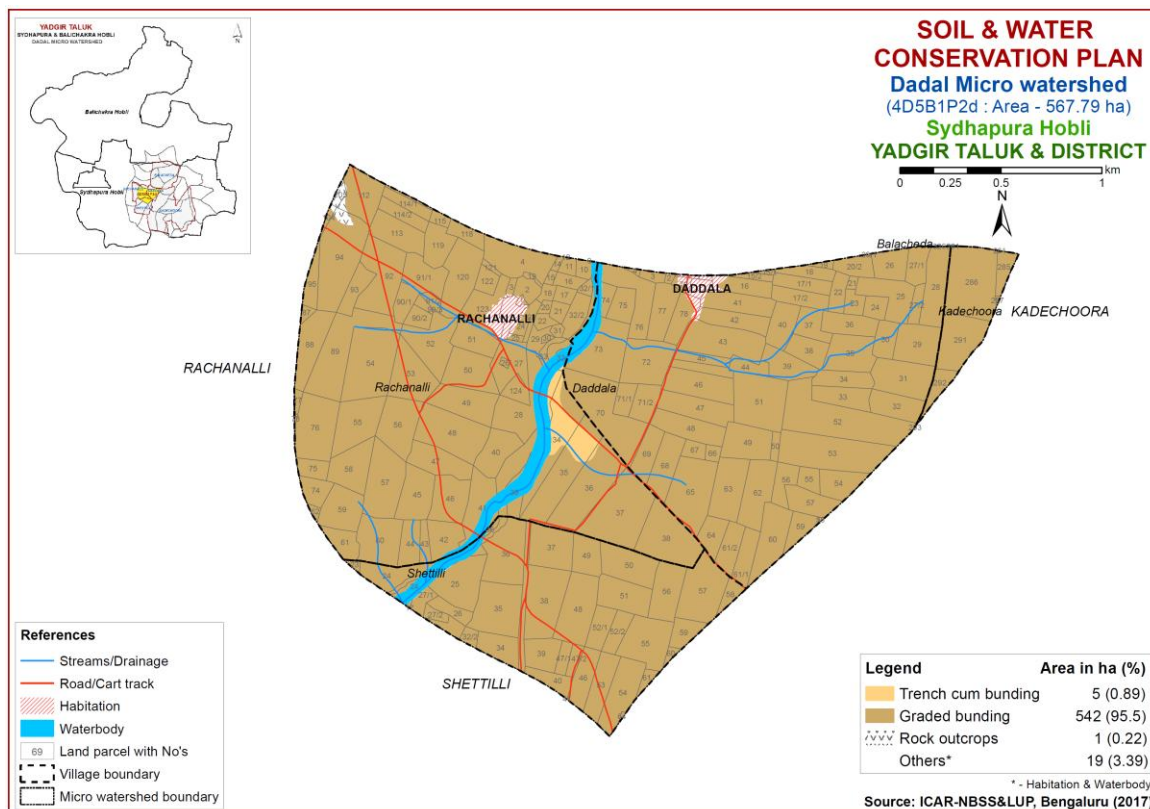


Fig. 9.1 Soil and Water Conservation Plan map of Dadal Microwatershed

### 9.3 Greening of Microwatershed

As part of the greening programme in the watersheds, it is envisaged to plant a variety of horticultural and other tree plants that are edible, economical and produce lot of biomass which helps to restore the ecological balance in the watersheds. The lands that are suitable for greening programme are non-arable lands (land capability classes V, VI and VII) and also the lands that are not suitable or marginally suitable and field bunds for growing annual and perennial crops. The method of planting these trees is given below.

It is recommended to open pits during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of March along the contour and heap the dug out soil on the lower side of the slope in order to harness the flowing water and facilitate weathering of soil in the pit. Exposure of soil in the pit also prevents spread of pests and diseases due to scorching sun rays. The pits should be filled with mixture of soil and organic manure during the second week of April and keep ready with sufficiently

tall seedlings produced either in poly bags or in root trainer nurseries so that planting can be done during the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April depending on the rainfall.

The tree species suitable for the area considering rainfall, temperature and adaptability is listed below; waterlogged areas are recommended to be planted with species like Neral (*Syzyzium cumini*) and Bamboo. Dry areas are to be planted with species like Honge, Bevu, Seetaphal *etc.*

Dry Deciduous Species			Temp (°C)	Rainfall (mm)
1.	Bevu	<i>Azadiracta indica</i>	21–32	400 –1,200
2.	Tapasi	<i>Holoptelia integrifolia</i>	20-30	500 - 1000
3.	Seetaphal	<i>Anona Squamosa</i>	20-40	400 - 1000
4.	Honge	<i>Pongamia pinnata</i>	20 -50	500– 2,500
5.	Kamara	<i>Hardwickia binata</i>	25 -35	400 - 1000
6.	Bage	<i>Albezzia lebbek</i>	20 - 45	500 - 1000
7.	Ficus	<i>Ficus bengalensis</i>	20 - 50	500–2,500
8.	Sisso	<i>Dalbargia Sissoo</i>	20 - 50	500 -2000
9.	Ailanthus	<i>Ailanthus excelsa</i>	20 - 50	500 - 1000
10.	Hale	<i>Wrightia tinctoria</i>	25 - 45	500 - 1000
11.	Uded	<i>Steriospermum chelanooides</i>	25 - 45	500 -2000
12.	Dhupa	<i>Boswella Serrata</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
13.	Nelli	<i>Emblica Officinalis</i>	20 - 50	500 -1500
14.	Honne	<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
Moist Deciduous Species			Temp (°C)	Rainfall (mm)
15.	Teak	<i>Tectona grandis</i>	20 - 50	500-5000
16.	Nandi	<i>Legarstroemia lanceolata</i>	20 - 40	500 - 4000
17.	Honne	<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>	20 - 40	500 - 3000
18.	Mathi	<i>Terminalia alata</i>	20 -50	500 - 2000
19.	Shivane	<i>Gmelina arborea</i>	20 -50	500 -2000
20.	Kindal	<i>T.Paniculata</i>	20 - 40	500 - 1500
21.	Beete	<i>Dalbargia latifolia</i>	20 - 40	500 - 1500
22.	Tare	<i>T. belerica</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
23.	Bamboo	<i>Bambusa arundinasia</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2500
24.	Bamboo	<i>Dendrocalamus strictus</i>	20 – 40	500 – 2500
25.	Muthuga	<i>Butea monosperma</i>	20 - 40	400 - 1500
26.	Hippe	<i>Madhuca latifolia</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
27.	Sandal	<i>Santalum album</i>	20 - 50	400 - 1000
28.	Nelli	<i>Emblica officinalis</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
29.	Nerale	<i>Syzyzium cumini</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
30.	Dhaman	<i>Grevia tilifolia</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
31.	Kaval	<i>Careya arborea</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
32.	Harada	<i>Terminalia chebula</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000



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**Appendix I**  
Daddal Microwatershed  
Soil Phase Information

Village	Survey Number	Total Area (ha)	Soil Phase	LMU	Soil Depth	Surface Soil Texture	Soil Gravelliness	AWC	Slope	Soil Erosion	CLU Code	WELLS	LCC	Conservation Plan
Daddal	1	0.28	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Daddal	2	0.24	HGNcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	3	0.6	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	4	0.16	HGNcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	15/1	0.18	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	15/2	0.61	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	16	2.31	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	17/1	1.94	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	17/2	2.17	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	18	1.47	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	19	0.32	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton+Redgram (Ct+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	20/1	0.02	HLGiB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	20/2	1.78	HLGiB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	21	0.3	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	22	1.48	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	23	1.11	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	24	1.23	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	25	3.86	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	26	2.41	HLGiB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	27/1	1.89	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	27/2	1.04	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	28	4.32	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding



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Daddal	29	4.08	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	30	1.91	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	31	4.94	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	32	3.04	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	33	2.76	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	34	2.31	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	35	4.14	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	1 Check Dam	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	36	2.76	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	37	2.11	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	38	2.33	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	39	2.94	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	40	2.74	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	41	3.31	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	42	2.9	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	43	6.08	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	44	1.31	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	45	1.34	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	1 Check Dam	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	46	4.32	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	47	3.96	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	48	3.78	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	49	3.92	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	50	0.56	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	51	6.6	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding

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Daddal	52	10.67	SWRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	53	8.39	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	54	2.66	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	55	1.21	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	56	1.91	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	57	2.75	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	58	0.05	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	59	1.76	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	60	4.57	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	61/1	2.27	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	61/2	2.29	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	62	4.51	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	63	4.63	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	64	2.06	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	65	6.72	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	66	0.58	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	67	0.93	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	68	3.54	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	69	2.53	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	70	8.37	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	71/1	1.41	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	71/2	2.19	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	72	5.05	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding

Village	Survey Number	Total Area (ha)	Soil Phase	LMU	Soil Depth	Surface Soil Texture	Soil Gravelliness	AWC	Slope	Soil Erosion	CLU Code	WELLS	LCC	Conservation Plan
Daddal	73	7.12	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	74	1	HGNcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	75	1.92	HGNcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	76	4.38	HGNcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	77	3.04	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	78	2.4	HGNmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Daddal	79	0.59	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others













### Appendix III Daddal Microwatershed

#### Soil Suitability Information

Village	Survey Number	Sorgham	Maize	Red gram	Bajra	Gro undnut	Sunflower	Cotton	Bengalgram	Chilly	Tomato	Mango	Sapota	Gua va	Pomegranate	Jackfruit	Jamun	Musambi	Lime	Cashew	Custard-apple	Amla	Tamarind	Margold	Chrysanthemu m	Dstick_L eg	MB_Leg	
Daddal	1	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Daddal	2	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	3	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	4	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	15/1	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	15/2	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	16	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	17/1	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	17/2	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	18	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	19	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	20/1	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	N1tz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	
Daddal	20/2	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	N1tz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	
Daddal	21	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	22	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	23	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	24	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	25	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	
Daddal	26	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	N1tz	S2rz	S2rz	N1rz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	
Daddal	27/1	S2wz	S3tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2rw	S2wz	S2wz	S2tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S3tw	S2tw	S3tw	S2tw	S2wz	S2zw	N1tz	S2zw	S2zw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S2tw	S3tw	

Village	Survey Number	Sorgham	Mai ze	Red gram	Bajr a	Gro und nut	Sun flow er	Cott on	Ben gal ram	Chil ly	To mat o	Man go	Sap ota	Gua va	Po meg ran ate	Jack frui t	Jam un	Mus amb i	Lim e	Cas hew	Cust ard-app le	Aml a	Ta mar ind	Mar igol d	Chr ysa nth emu m	Dsti ck_L eg	MB_ Leg
Daddal	27/2	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	28	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	29	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	30	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	31	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	32	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	33	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	34	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	35	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	36	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	37	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	38	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	39	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	40	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	41	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	42	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	43	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	44	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	45	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	46	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	47	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
Daddal	48	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w

Village	Survey Number	Sorgham	Mai ze	Red gram	Bajr a	Gro und nut	Sun flow er	Cott on	Ben gal ram	Chil ly	To mat o	Man go	Sap ota	Gua va	Po meg ran ate	Jack frui t	Jam un	Mus amb i	Lim e	Cas hew	Cust ard-app le	Aml a	Ta mar ind	Mar igol d	Chr ysa nth emu m	Dsti ck_L eg	MB_ Leg
Daddal	49	S2wz	S3t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2r w	S2w z	S2w z	S2t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S3t w	S2t w	S3t w	S2t w	S2w z	S2z w	N1t z	S2z w	S2z w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S2t w	S3t w
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# **PART-B**

**SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS OF FARM HOUSEHOLDS**





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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

*Baseline socioeconomic characterisation is prerequisite to prepare action plan for program implementation and to assess the project performance before making any changes in the watershed development program. The baseline provides appropriate policy direction for enhancing productivity and sustainability in agriculture.*

**Methodology:** *The Dadal micro-watershed (Yadgir taluk and district) is located in between 16<sup>o</sup>31' – 16<sup>o</sup>33' North latitudes and 77<sup>o</sup>16' – 77<sup>o</sup>19' East longitudes, covering an area of about 567.79 ha, bounded by Balacheda, Daddala, Kadechoora, Rachanallii and Shettilli villages with length of growing period (LGP) 120-150 days. We used soil resource map as basis for sampling farm households to test the hypothesis that soil quality influence crop selection, and conservation investment of farm households. The level of technology adoption and productivity gaps and livelihood patterns were analyses. The cost of soil degradation and ecosystem services were quantified.*

**Results:** *The socio-economic outputs for the Dadal micro-watershed in Yadgir taluk and district are presented here.*

### **Social Indicators;**

- ❖ *Male and female ratio is 65.3 to 34.7 per cent to the total sample population.*
- ❖ *Younger age group 18 to 50 of population is around 60.56 per cent to the total population.*
- ❖ *Literacy population is around 59.6 per cent.*
- ❖ *Social groups belong to other backward caste (OBC) are around 70 per cent.*
- ❖ *Fire wood is the source of energy for a cooking among all sample households.*
- ❖ *About 44.2 per cent of households have a yashaswini health card.*
- ❖ *About 9.3 per cent farm households having MGNREGA card for rural employment.*
- ❖ *Dependence on ration cards for food grains through public distribution system is around 95.3 per cent.*
- ❖ *Swach bharath program providing closed toilet facilities around 37.2 per cent of sample households.*
- ❖ *Women participation in decisions making are around 95 per cent of households were found.*

### **Economic Indicators;**

- ❖ *The average land holding is 1.39 ha indicates that majority of farm households are belong to marginal and small farmers. The account for dry land of 59.9 ha among the total cultivated land among the sample households.*



- ❖ *Agriculture is the main occupation is only 17.4 per cent and agriculture is the main and non agriculture labour is subsidiary occupation for 51.2 per cent of sample households.*
- ❖ *The average value of domestic assets is around Rs.11109 per household. Mobile and television are popular media mass communication.*
- ❖ *The average value of farm assets is around Rs.207653 per household, about 25.58 per cent of sample farmers are owing plough.*
- ❖ *The average value of livestock is around Rs.23165 per household; about 79.17 per cent of household are having livestock.*
- ❖ *The average per capita food consumption is around 1131.2 grams (2651.2 kilo calories) against national institute of nutrition recommendation at 827 gram. Around 47 per cent of sample households are consuming more than the NIN recommendation.*
- ❖ *The annual average income is around Rs. 57157 per household. About 100 per cent of farm households are below poverty line.*
- ❖ *The per capita monthly average expenditure is around Rs.3546.*

#### ***Environmental Indicators-Ecosystem Services;***

- ❖ *The value of ecosystem service helps to support investment to decision on soil and water conservation and in promoting sustainable land use.*
- ❖ *The average value of ecosystem service for food grain production is around Rs. Rs.16379/ ha/year. Per hectare food grain production services is maximum in cotton (Rs.27737) followed by paddy (Rs.21084), maize (Rs.16045), green gram (Rs. 13626), red gram (Rs. 11567) and groundnut (Rs. 10212).*
- ❖ *The average value of ecosystem service for fodder production is around Rs.1413/ ha/year. Per hectare fodder production services is maximum in maize (Rs. 2223) followed by groundnut (Rs.1029), and paddy (Rs.988).*
- ❖ *The data on water requirement for producing one quintal of grain is considered for estimating the total value of water required for crop production. The value of per hectare water used and value of water was maximum in red gram (Rs.47632) followed by cotton (Rs.46455), green gram (Rs.42645), paddy (Rs. 42471), groundnut (Rs. 27916) and maize (Rs. 26410).*

#### ***Economic Land Evaluation;***

- ❖ *The major cropping pattern is redgram (41.6 %) followed by cotton (37.6 %), groundnut (9 %), paddy (4.7 %), green gram (4.1 %) and maize (2.7 %).*
- ❖ *In Dadal micro watershed, major soils are Soil of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape of Hegganakera (HGN) series are having very deep soil deep cover around 42.03 % of area. On this soil farmers are presently growing cotton (81.7 %) and redgram (18.3 %). Kudlura (KDR) and Sowrashtrahalli (SWR) are having deep soil depth cover around 14.02 % and 12.64 % of areas, respectively the*

crops are cotton, groundnut, paddy, red gram, and green gram. Rachanalli (RHN) soil is having moderately deep soil depth cover around 10.59 % of area; crops are cotton and red gram. Balched (BLD) and Yalleri (YLR) are having moderately shallow soil depth cover around 6.48 % and 0.25 % of areas, respectively; crops are groundnut, red gram, cotton and maize.

- ❖ The total cost of cultivation and benefit cost ratio (BCR) in study area for cotton ranges between Rs.41969/ha in BLD soil (with BCR of 1.41) and Rs.19813/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 3.62).
- ❖ In green gram the cost of cultivation is Rs.14162/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 1.96).
- ❖ In groundnut the costs of cultivation range between Rs.28742/ha in YLR soil (with BCR of 1.68) and Rs.28009/ha in KDR soil (with BCR of 1.27).
- ❖ In maize the cost of cultivation is Rs.35825/ha in BLD soil (with BCR of 1.48).
- ❖ In paddy the cost of cultivation range between is Rs. 31583/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 1.61) and Rs. 28742 in KDR soil (with BCR of 1.70).
- ❖ In red gram the cost of cultivation range between is Rs. 30294/ha in HGN soil (with BCR of 1.28) and Rs. 15964/ha in YLR soil (with BCR of 2.01).
- ❖ The land management practices reported by the farmers are crop rotation, tillage practices, fertilizer application and use of farm yard manure (FYM). Due to higher wages farmer are following labour saving strategies is not prating soil and water conservation measures. Less ownership of livestock limiting application of FYM.
- ❖ It was observed soil quality influences on the type and intensity of land use. More fertilizer applications in deeper soils to maximize returns.

### **Suggestions;**

- ❖ Involving farmers in watershed planning helps in strengthening institutional participation.
- ❖ The per capita food consumption and monthly income is very low. Diversifying income generation activities from crop and livestock production in order to reduce risk related to drought and market prices.
- ❖ Majority of farmers reported that they are not getting timely support/extension services from the concerned development departments.
- ❖ By strengthening agricultural extension for providing timely advice improved technology there is scope to increase in net income of farm households.
- ❖ By adopting recommended package of practices by following the soil test fertiliser recommendation, there is scope to increase yield in cotton (19 to 66.3 %), maize (62 %), paddy (54.2 to 56 %), and red gram (27.3 to 47.6 %).



## **INTRODUCTION**

Watershed Development program aim to restore degraded watersheds in rainfed regions to increase their capacity to capture and store rain water, reduce soil erosion, and improved soil nutrients and carbon contents so they can produce greater agricultural yields and other benefits. As majority of rural poor live in these regions and dependent on natural resources for their livelihood and sustenance, improvements in agricultural yields improve human welfare and simultaneously improve national food security.

Sujala–III watershed development project conceptualised and implemented by the Watershed Development Department of Government of Karnataka with tripartite cost-sharing arrangements. The World Bank through International Development Association provided major portion of plan outlay as a loan to Government of India and in turn loan to Government of Karnataka.

The objectives of Sujala-III is to demonstrate more effective watershed management through greater integration of programs related to rain fed agriculture, innovative and science based approaches and strengthened institutions and capacities. The project is implemented in 11 districts of Bidar, Vijayapura, Gulbarga, Yadgir, Koppal, Gadag, Raichur, Davanagere, Tumkur, Chikkamangalur and Chamarajanagar which have been identified by the Watershed Development Department based on rainfall and socio-economic conditions. The project will be implemented over six years and linked with the centrally financed integrated watershed management programme.

Economic evaluations can better guide in watershed planning and implementation, as well as raise awareness of benefits of ecosystem restoration for food security and poverty alleviation program. The present study aims to characterize socio-economic status of farm households, assess the land and water use status, evaluate the economic viability of land use, prioritize farming constraints and suggest the measures for soil and water conservation for sustainable agriculture.

### **Objectives of the study**

1. To characterize socio-economic status of farm households
2. To evaluate the economic viability of land use and land related constraints
3. To estimate the ecosystem service provided by the watershed and
4. To suggest alternatives for sustainable agriculture production.

## **METHODOLOGY**

### ***Study area***

The Dadal micro-watershed is located in North-eastern Dry Zone of Karnataka (Figure 1): 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. It's represented Agro Ecological Sub Region (AESR) 6.2 with LGP 120-150 days.

Dadal micro-watershed (Yadgir taluk, Yadgir district) is located in between 16<sup>0</sup>31' – 16<sup>0</sup>33' North latitudes and 77<sup>0</sup>16' – 77<sup>0</sup>19' East longitudes, covering an area of about 567.79 ha, bounded by Balacheda, Daddala, Kadechoora, Rachanallii and Shettilli villages.

### **Sampling Procedure**

In this study we have followed soil variability as criterion for sampling the farm households. In each micro-watershed the survey numbers and associated soil series are listed. Minimum three farm households for each soil series were taken and summed up to arrive at total sample for analysis.

### **Sources of data and analysis**

For evaluating the specific objectives of the study, primary data was collected from the sample respondents by personal interview method with the help of pre-tested questionnaire. The data on socio-economic characteristics of respondents such as family size and composition, land holdings, asset position, occupational pattern and education level was collected. The present cropping pattern and the level of input use and yields collected during survey. The data collected from the representative farm households were analysed using Automated Land Potential Evaluation System (Figure 2).

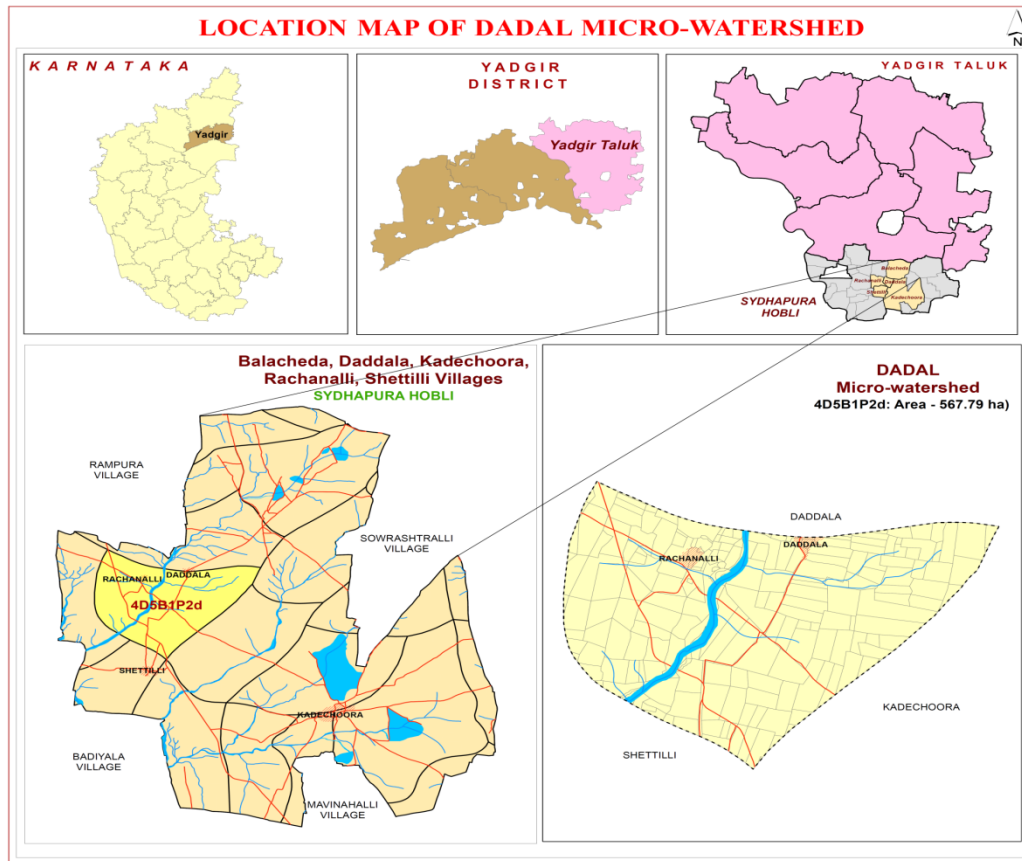


Figure 1: Location of study area

### Steps followed in socio-economic assessment

- 1 • After the completion of soil profile study link the cadastral number to the soil profile in the micro watershed.
- 2 • Download the names of the farmers who are owning the land for each cadastral number in the Karnataka BHOOMI Website.
- 3 • Compiling the names of the farmers representing for all the soil profiles studied in the micro watershed for socio-economic Survey.
- 4 • Conducting the socioeconomic survey of selected farm households in the micro watershed .
- 5 • Farm households database created using the Automated Land Potential Evaluation System (ALPES) for analysis of socio economic status for each micro watershed .
- 6 • Synthesis of tables and preparation of report for each micro watershed .



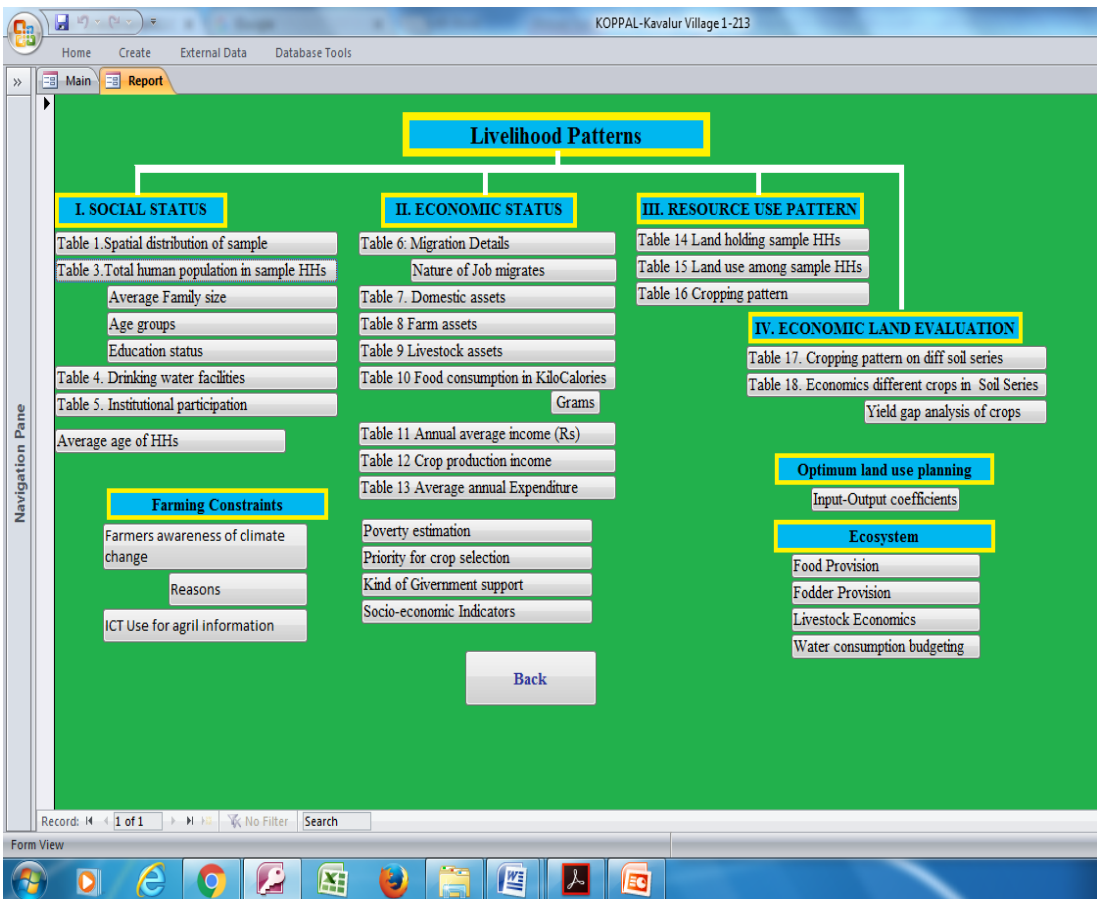
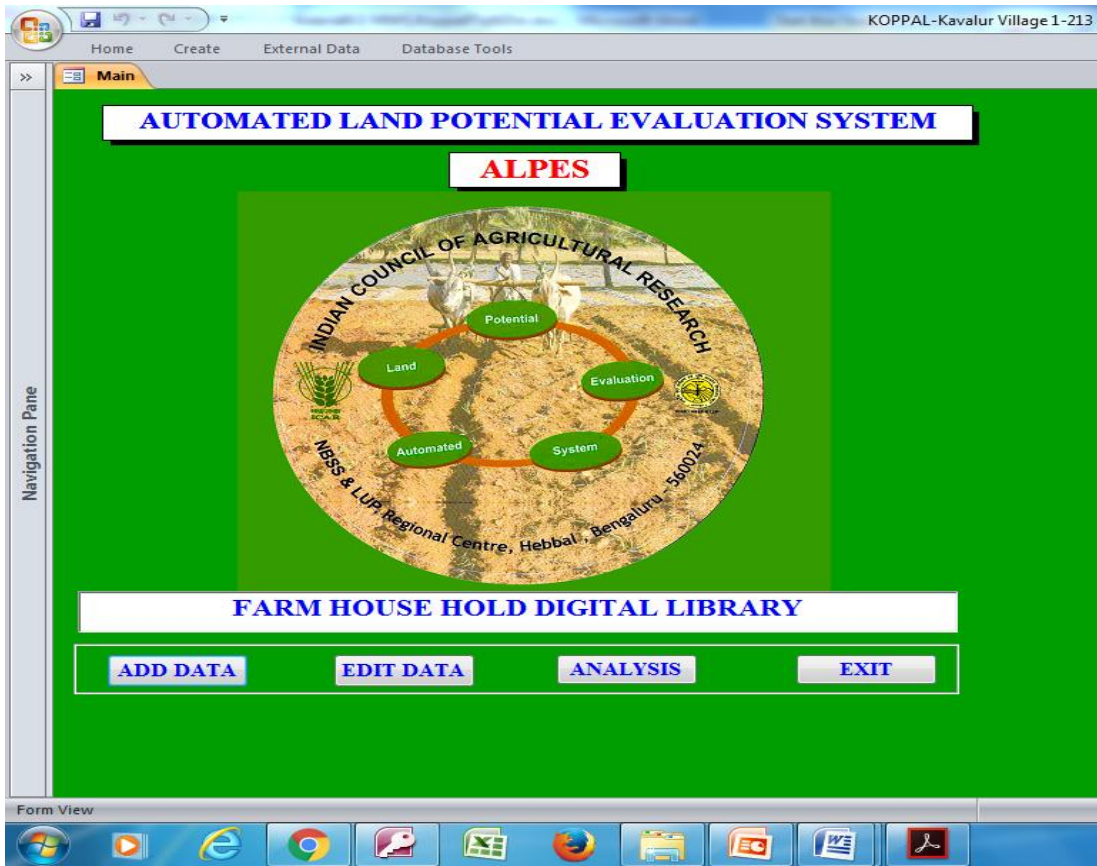


Figure 2: ALPES FRAMEWORK

The sample farmers were post classified in to marginal and small (0.0 to  $\leq 2$  acres), medium and semi medium ( $> 2$  to  $\leq 10$  acres) and large ( $> 10$  acres). The steps involved in estimation of soil potential involve estimation of total cost of cultivation, the yield/gross returns and net income per hectare. The cost of inputs such seed, manure and fertilizer, plant protection chemicals, payment towards human and bullock labour and interest on working capita are included under operational costs. In the case of perennial crops, the cost of establishment was estimated by using actual physical requirements and prevailing market prices. Estimation cost included maintenance cost up to bearing period. The value of main product and by product from the crop enterprise at the market rates were the gross returns of the crop. Net returns were worked out by deducting establishment and maintained cost from gross returns.

Operational Cost = cost of seeds, fertilizers, pesticides. Cost of human and bullock labour, cost of machinery, cost of irrigation water + interest on working capital.

Gross returns = Yield (Quintals/hectare)\*Price (Rs/Quintal)

Net returns = Gross returns-Operational cost.

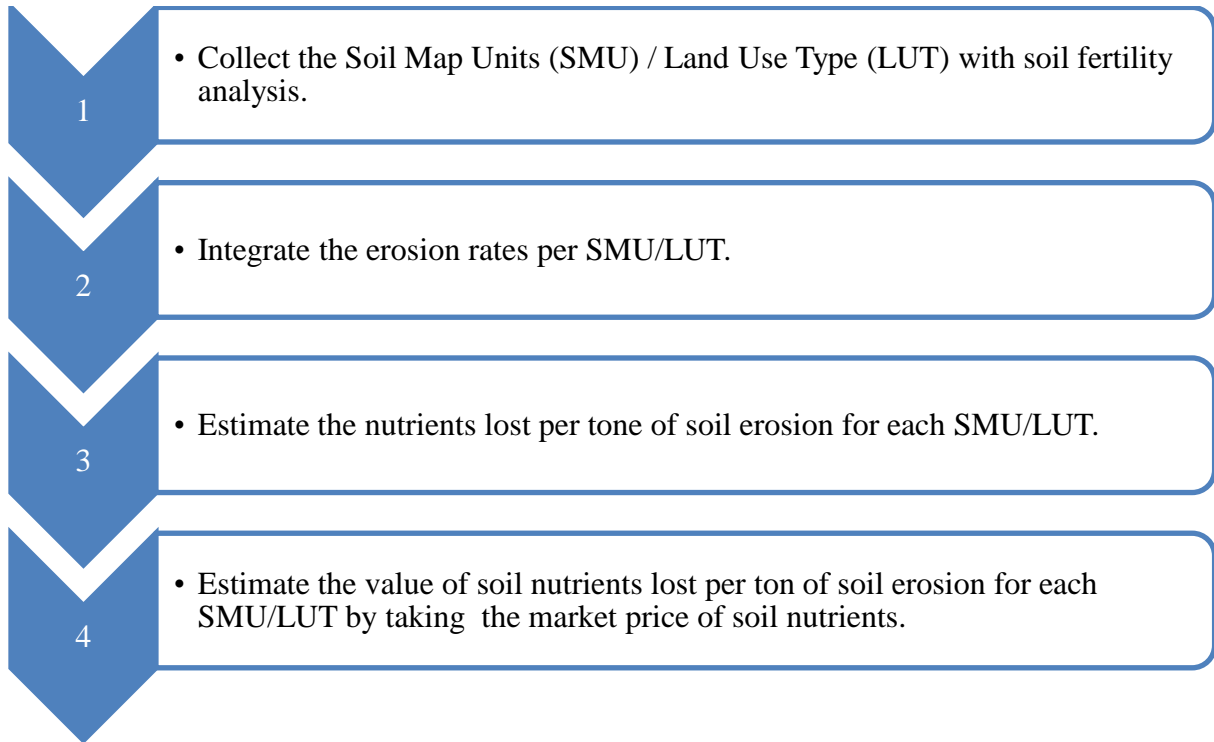
Benefit Cost Ratio = Net returns/Total cost.

Economic suitability classes: once each land use –land area combination has been assigned an economic value by the land evaluation, the question arises as to its ‘suitability’, that is, the degree to which it satisfies the land user. The FAO framework defines two suitability orders: ‘S’(suitable if benefit cost ratio (BCR) $> 1$ ) and ‘N’(not suitable if (BCR $< 1$ ), which are divided into five economic suitability classes: ‘S1’(highly suitable if BCR $> 3$ ), ‘S2’(suitable if BCR $> 2$  and  $< 3$ ), ‘S3’(Marginally suitable if BCR  $> 1$  and  $< 2$ ), ‘N1’(Not suitable for economic reasons but physically suitable) and ‘N2’(not suitable for physical reasons). The limit between ‘S3’ and ‘N1’ must be at least at the point of financial feasibility (i.e. net returns, NPV, or IRR $> 0$  and BCR $> 1$ ). The other limits depend on social factors such as farm size, family size, alternative employment or investment possibilities and wealth expectations; these need to be specified for the Soil series.

### **Economic Valuation of Soil ecosystem services:**

The replacement cost approach was followed for estimating the onsite cost of soil erosion, Market price method was followed for estimating the value of food and fodder production. Value transfer methods was followed for estimating the value of water demand by different crops in the micro watershed.

### Steps followed in Replacement cost methods for estimation of onsite cost of soil erosion



## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The demographic information shows that the household population dynamics encompasses the socioeconomic status of the farmer. For a rural family, the household size should be optimal to earn a comfortable livelihood through farm and non-farm wage earning. The total number of population in watershed area was 213, out of which 65.3 per cent were males and 34.7 per cent females. Average family size of the households is 4.95 among the sample population.

**Table 1: Human population among sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(73)		SF(111)		SMF(25)		MDF(4)		ALL (213)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Male	49	67.1	71	64	16	64	3	75	139	65.3
Female	24	32.9	40	36	9	36	1	25	74	34.7
Total human population in sample HHs	73	100	111	100	25	100	4	100	213	100
Average family size	5.21		4.83		5.00		4.00		4.95	

Age is an important factor, which affects the potential employment and mobility status of respondents. The data on age wise distribution of farmers in the sample households indicated that majority of the farmers are coming under the age group of 18 to 30 years (34.74 %) followed by 0 to 18 years (26.76 %), 30 to 50 years (25.82 %) and more than 50 years (12.68 %). Hence, in the study area in general, the respondents were of young and middle age, indicating there by that the households had almost settled with whatever livelihood options they were practicing and sample respondents were young by age who could venture into various options of livelihood sources (Table 2).

**Table 2: Age groups among the sample population in Dadal micro-watershed**

Particulars	MF(73)		SF(111)		SMF(25)		MDF(4)		ALL (213)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
0 to 18 years	20	27.40	31	27.93	4	16.00	2	50	57	26.76
18 to 30 years	24	32.88	39	35.14	9	36.00	2	50	74	34.74
30 to 50 years	20	27.40	28	25.23	7	28.00		0	55	25.82
>50 years	9	12.33	13	11.71	5	20.00		0	27	12.68
Grand total	73	100.00	111	100.00	25	100	4	100	213	100.00
Average age	31.1		30.5		35.9		17.5		31.1	

Data on literacy (Table 3) indicated that 40.4 per cent of respondents were illiterate and 59.6 per cent literate with highest of primary school education (15 %) followed by the middle school education (13.1 %), high school education (14.6 %), senior secondary education (5.6 %), graduates (7.0 %), technical (3.8 %) and post graduates (0.5 %).

The ethnic groups among the sample farm households found to be 70 per cent belonging to other backward castes (OBC) followed by 19 per cent belong to scheduled caste (SC), 9.3 per cent belong to scheduled tribes (ST) and 2.3 per cent belonging to general caste among the sample population (Table 4 and Figure 3).

**Table 3: Education status among the sample population in Ramapur-2 micro-watershed**

Education Status	MF(73)		SF(111)		SMF(25)		MDF(4)		ALL (213)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Illiterates	30	41.1	46	41.4	10	40.0		0.0	86	40.4
Literates	43	58.9	65	58.6	15	60.0	4	100	127	59.6
Primary School (<5 class)	13	17.8	16	14.4		0.0	3	75.0	32	15.0
Middle School (6- 8 Class)	10	13.7	13	11.7	5	20.0		0.0	28	13.1
High School (9- 10 Class)	12	16.4	14	12.6	4	16.0	1	25.0	31	14.6
Senior secondary	4	5.5	5	4.5	3	12.0		0.0	12	5.6
Graduate	2	2.7	11	9.9	2	8.0		0.0	15	7.0
Post graduate	1	1.4		0.0		0.0		0.0	1	0.5
Technical	1	1.4	6	5.4	1	4.0		0.0	8	3.8
Grand Total	73	100	111	100	25	100	4	100	213	100

**Table 4: Social groups among sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
SC		0	5	22	3	60		0	8	19
ST	3	21	1	4.3		0		0	4	9.3
OBC	11	79	16	70	2	40	1	100	30	70
General		0	1	4.3		0		0	1	2.3
Grand total	14	100	23	100	5	100	1	100	43	100

Among the entire sample households are using fire wood as source of fuel for cooking. Around 95.3 per cent of the sample farmers are having electricity connection. About 44.29.3 per cent are sample households having health cards. Only 9.3 per cent of having MNREGA job cards for employment generation. About 95.3 per cent of farm households are having ration cards for taking food grains from public distribution system. About 9.3 per cent of farm households are having toilet facilities (Table 5).

**Table 5: Basic needs of sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>Types of fuel use for cooking</b>										
Fire wood	14	100.0	23	100.0	5	100.0	1	100.0	43	100.0
<b>Energy supply for home</b>										
Electricity	12	85.7	23	100.0	5	100.0	1	100.0	41	95.3
Solar lamp	2	14.3		0.0		0.0		0.0	2	4.7
<b>Health Card</b>										
Yes	6	42.9	11	47.8	2	40.0		0.0	19	44.2
No	8	57.1	12	52.2	3	60.0	1	100.0	24	55.8
<b>NREGA</b>										
Yes	1	7.1	1	4.3	2	40.0		0.0	4	9.3
No	13	92.9	22	95.7	3	60.0	1	100.0	39	90.7
<b>Ration Card</b>										
Yes	12	85.7	23	100.0	5	100.0	1	100.0	41	95.3
No	2	14.3		0.0		0.0		0.0	2	4.7
<b>Household with toilet</b>										
Yes	7	50.0	6	26.1	3	60.0		0.0	16	37.2
No	7	50.0	17	73.9	2	40.0	1	100.0	27	62.8
<b>Drinking Water</b>										
Tank	2	14.3	1	4.3	1	20.0		0.0	4	9.3
Tube Well	12	85.7	22	95.7	4	80.0	1	100.0	39	90.7

The data collected on the source of drinking water in the study area is presented in Table 5. Majority of the sample respondents are having tube well source for water supply for domestic purpose with share of 90.7 per cent.

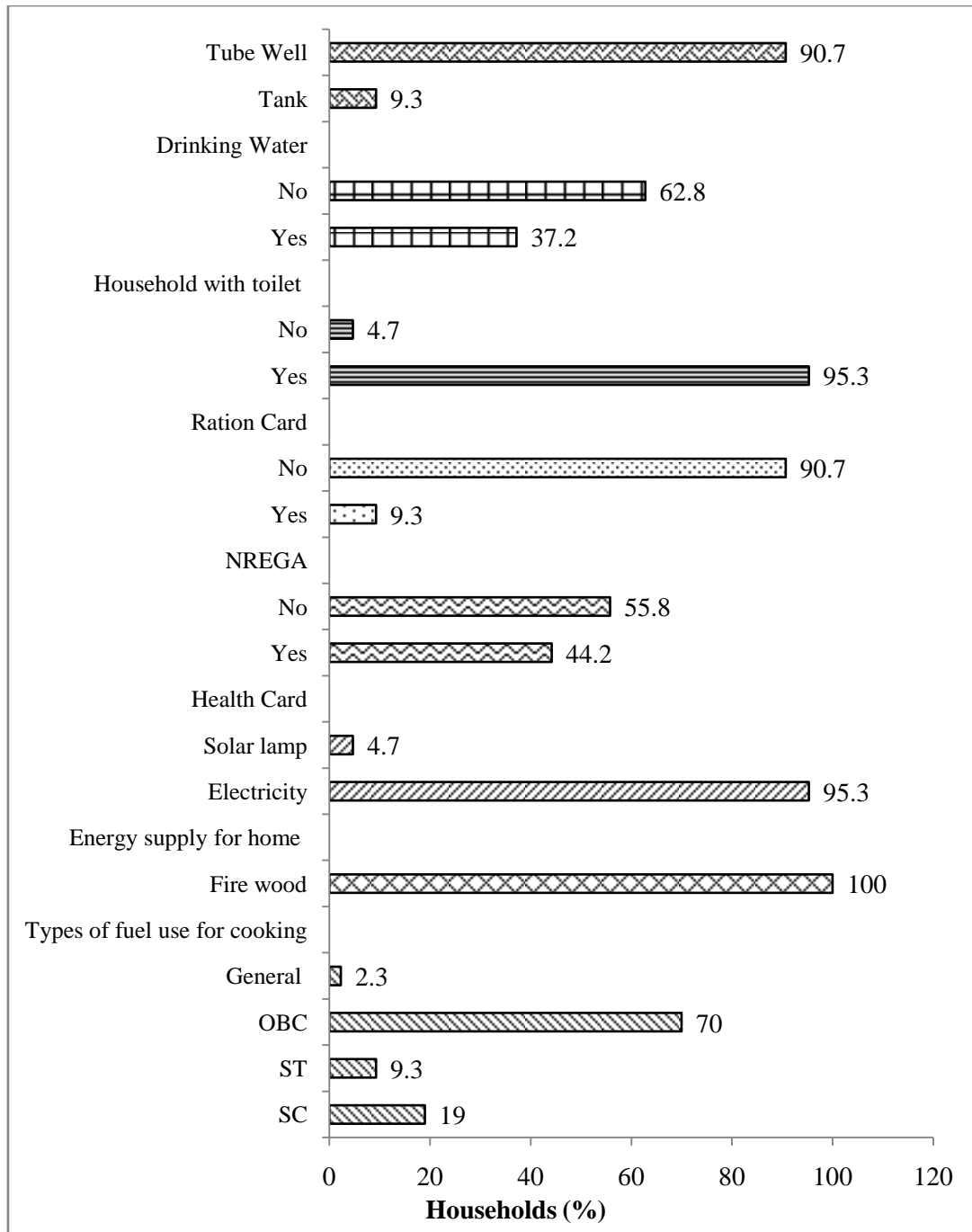


Figure 3: Basic needs of sample households in Dadal Microwatershed

The occupational pattern (Table 6) among sample households shows that agriculture is the main occupation is around 17.4 per cent and agriculture is a main and non agriculture labour is subsidiary occupations around 51.2 per cent of population. Household's industries/ artisan activity, government services and private services are main occupation of 0.5 per cent, 0.9 per cent and 3.3 per cent of sample population, respectively.

**Table 6: Occupational pattern in sample population in Dadal Microwatershed**

Occupation		MF (73)		SF (111)		SMF (25)		MDF (4)		ALL (213)	
Main	Subsidiary	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Agriculture	Agriculture	10	13.7	21	18.9	6	24.0		0.0	37	17.4
	Non Agriculture Labour	40	54.8	52	46.8	15	60.0	2	50.0	109	51.2
HH Industries/Artisan activity			0.0		0.0		0.0	1	25.0	1	0.5
Govt. service		2	2.7		0.0		0.0		0.0	2	0.9
Private service		2	2.7	4	3.6	1	4.0		0.0	7	3.3
Studying		19	26.0	34	30.6	3	12.0	1	25.0	57	26.8
Grand Total		73	100	111	100	25	100	4	100	213	100
<b>Family labour availability</b>						<b>Man days/month</b>					
Male		62	67.5	71	70.1	75	62.2	25	55.6	68	68.2
Female		30	32.5	30	29.9	46	37.8	20	44.4	32	31.8
<b>Total</b>		92	100	101	100	121	100	45	100	99	100

The important assets especially with reference to domestic assets were analyzed and are given in Table 7 and Figure 4. The important domestic assets possessed by all categories of farmers are television (100 %) followed by mobile phones (95.3 %), motorcycle (11.6 %), bicycle (4.7 %) and landline phone (2.3 %). The average value of domestic assets is around Rs.11109 per households.

**Table 7: Domestic assets among the sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value
Bicycle	14.3	4000	0.0						4.7	4000
Landline Phone	0.0		4.3	10000					2.3	10000
Mixer/grinder	7.1	2000	0.0						2.3	2000
Mobile Phone	92.9	4000	95.7	6045	100	2800	100	10000	95.3	5098
Motorcycle	0.0		17.4	45000	20	3000			11.6	36600
Television	100	8929	100	8913	100	9000	100	10000	100	8953
Average value	4732		17490		4933		10000		11109	

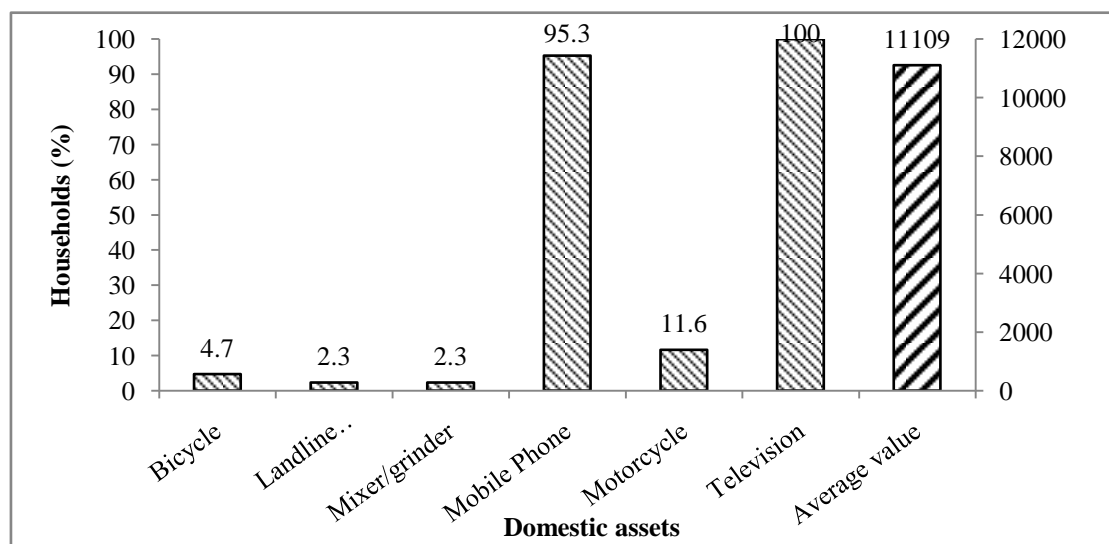


Figure 4: Domestic assets among the sample households in Dadal Microwatershed



The most popularly owned farm equipments were sickles, plough, cattle shed; pump sets, chaff cutter, bullock cart, sprayer and thresher. Plough and sickle were commonly present in all the sampled farmers; these were primary implements in agriculture. The per cent of households owned bullock cart (23.3 %), plough (25.58 %), tractor (4.65 %), sprayer (2.33 %) and weeder (11.63 %) was found highest among the sample farmers. the average value of farm assets is around Rs.207653 per households (Table 8 and Figure 5).

**Table 8: Farm assets among samples households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value
Bullock cart	7.14	20000	26.09	10500	40	6500	100	30000	23.26	12600
Plough	7.14	2000	26.09	2833	60	4833	100	20000	25.58	4864
Sprayer	7.14	15000	0.00		0		0		2.33	15000
Tractor	7.14	1000000	4.35	1000000	0		0		4.65	1000000
Weeder			17.39	6375	20	3500	0		11.63	5800
Average value	259250		254927		4944		25000		207653	

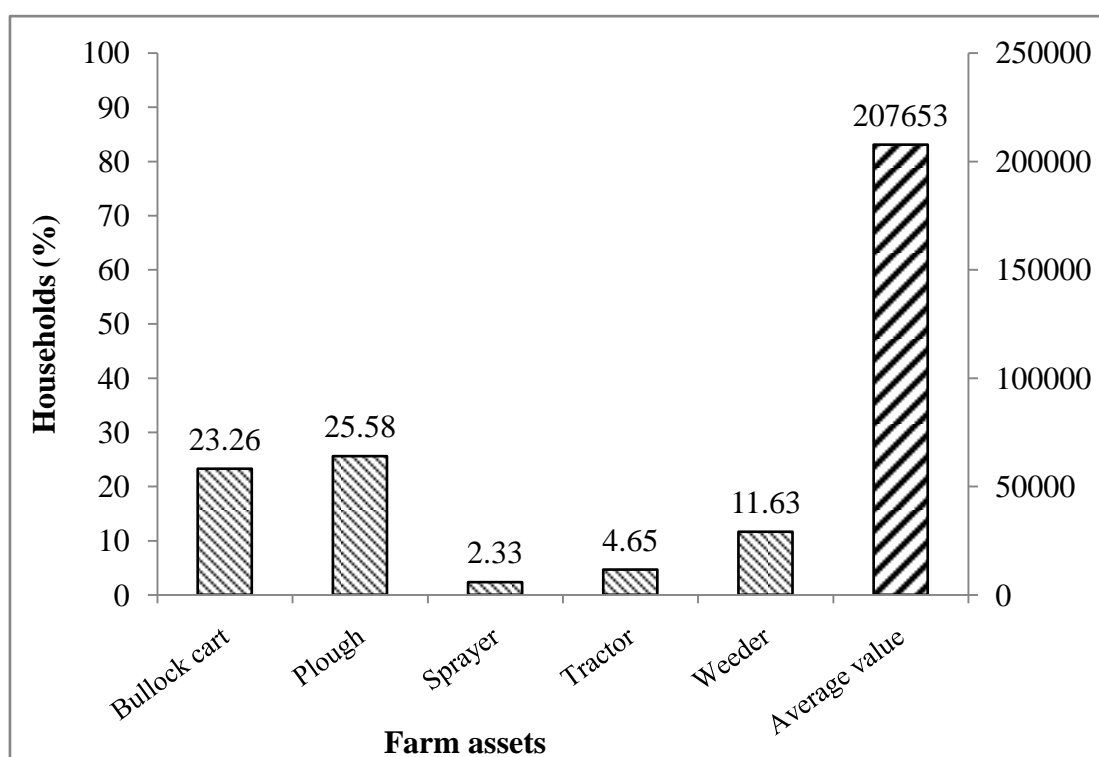


Figure 5: Farm assets among samples households in Dadal Microwatershed

Livestock is an integral component of the conventional farming systems (Table 6 and Figure 6). The highest livestock population is local dry cow were around 234.88 per cent followed by bullocks (32.56 %), dry buffalos (2.33 %), local milching cow (20.93 %), sheeps (6.98 %), goats (11.63 %) and poultry (23.26 %). The average livestock value was Rs. 23165 per households.

**Table 9: Livestock assets among sample households in Dadal micro-watershed**

Livestock	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value	% of HHs	Value
Local Dry Cow	35.71	8000	30.43	10714	60	16667	0		34.88	11000
Local Milching Cow	14.29	10000	21.74	12000	20	20000	100	10000	20.93	12222
Dry Buffalos	0.00		4.35	10000	0		0		2.33	10000
Bullocks	21.43	100000	26.09	86667	80	100000	100	100000	32.56	94286
Goats	14.29		13.04	18000	0		0		11.63	18000
Sheeps	0.00	20000	13.04	13333	0		0		6.98	16000
Poultry	14.29	493	30.43	757	20	180	0		23.26	647
<b>Average value</b>		27699		21639		34212		55000		23165

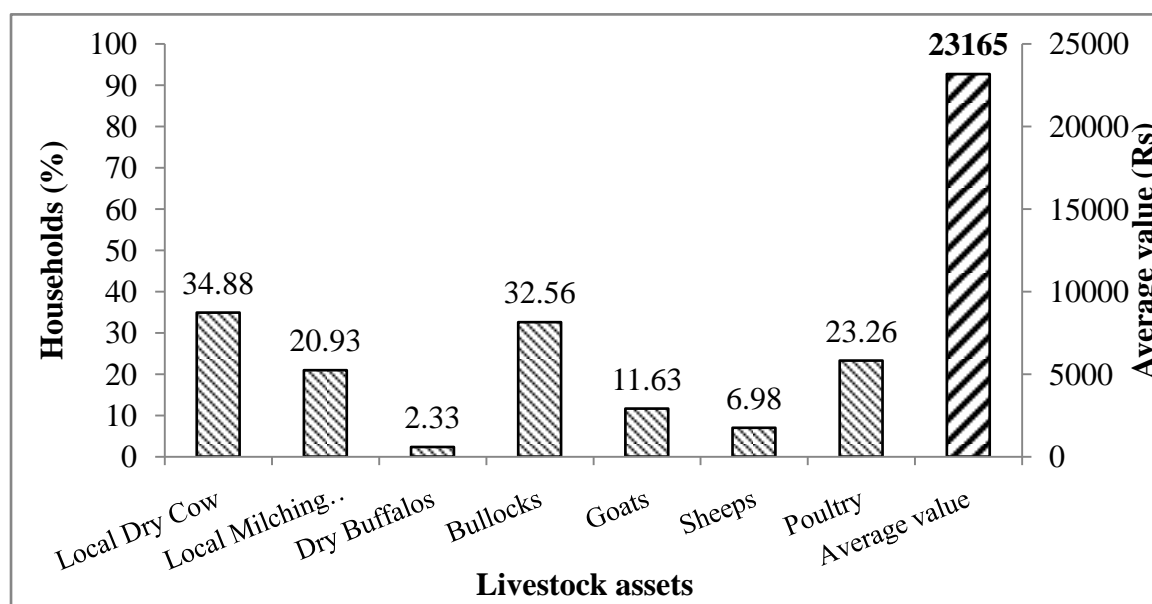


Figure 6: Livestock assets among sample households in Dadal micro-watershed

Average milk produced in sample households is 1403 liters/ annum. Among the farm households, maize groundnut and paddy are the main crops for domestic food and fodder for animals. About 1583 kg /ha of average fodder is available per season for the livestock feeding (Table 10).

**Table 10: Milk produced and fodder availability of sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)	SF(23)	SMF(5)	MDF(1)	ALL (43)
<b>Name of the livestock</b>	<b>Ltr./Lactation/animal</b>				
Local milching cow	1240	1582	1280	960	1403
<b>Average value (Rs).</b>	<b>1240</b>	<b>1582</b>	<b>1280</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>1403</b>
<b>Fodder produces</b>	<b>Fodder yield (kg/ha)</b>				
Maize		1625			1625
Groundnut		625	625		625
Paddy	2500		2500		2500
<b>Average fodder availability</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>1125</b>	<b>1563</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1583</b>
Livestock having households (%)	73.68	76.19	100.00	100.00	79.17
Livestock population (Numbers)	821	79	19	3	922

A woman participation in decision making in this micro-watershed is presented in Table 11. About 98 per cent women earning for her family requirement and 95 per cent of women taking decision in her family and agriculture related activities.

**Table 11: Women empowerment of sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Women participation in local organization activities										
Yes										
No	14	100	23	100	5	100	1	100	43	100
Women participation in Elected Panchayth										
Yes		0		0		0		0		0
No	14	100	23	100	5	100	1	100	43	100
Women earning for her family requirement										
Yes	14	100	22	96	5	100	1	100	42	98
No		0	1	4		0		0	1	2
Women taking decision in her family and agriculture related activities										
Yes	14	100	21	91	5	100	1	100	41	95
No		0	2	9		0		0	2	5
Grand Total	14	100	23	100	5	100	1	100	43	100

The food intake in terms of kilo calorie (kcal) per person per day was calculated and presented in the Table 12 and Figure 7. More quantity of cereals is consumed by sample farmers which accounted for 1662.4 kcal per person. The other important food items consumed was pulses 289.5 kcal followed by cooking oil 194.1 kcal, milk 74.6 kcal, vegetables 34.8 kcal, egg 326.4 kcal and meat 69.3 kcal. In the sampled households farmers were consuming more (2651.2 kcal) than NIN- recommended food requirement (2250 kcal).

**Table 12: Per capita daily consumption of food among the sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	NIN recommendation (gram/per day/person/)	Present level of consumption (gram/per day/person)	Kilo calories / day/person
Cereals	396	489.0	1662.4
Pulses	43	84.4	289.5
Milk	200	114.7	74.6
Vegetables	143	145.2	34.8
Cooking Oil	31	34.0	194.1
Egg	0.48	217.6	326.4
Meat	14.2	46.2	69.3
Total	<b>827.68</b>	1131.2	2651.2
<b>Threshold of NIN recommendation</b>		<b>827*</b>	<b>2250*</b>
Below NIN		26	47
Above NIN		74	53

Note: \* day/person

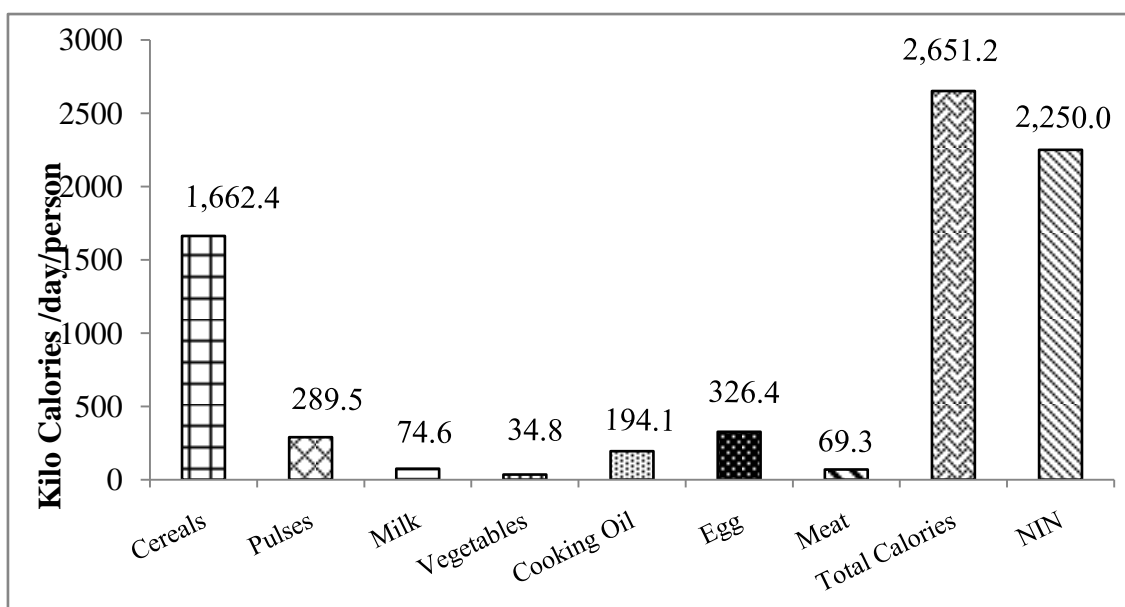


Figure 7: Per capita daily consumption of food among the sample households in Dadal Microwatershed

**Annual income of the sample HHs:** The average annual household income is around Rs. 57157. Major source of income to the farmers in the study area is from livestock (Rs.33212) followed by crop production (Rs. 23947). The monthly per capita income is Rs. 962, which is less than the threshold monthly income of Rs.975 for considering above poverty line. Due to the fact that erratic rainfall and shortage of water, farmers are diverting from crop production activities to enable the household for a comfortable livelihood. The incomes from the other aforesaid sources are very meagre (Table 13).

**Table 13: Annual average income of HHs from various sources in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF (14)*	SF (23)*	SMF (5)*	MDF (1)*	ALL (43)*
Nonfarm income	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Livestock income	32738 (14)	42106 (22)	33938 (20)	-11030 (100)	33212 (21)
Crop Production	11805 (100)	29190 (100)	27755 (100)	54206 (100)	23945 (100)
<b>Total Income (Rs)</b>	<b>44543</b>	<b>71295</b>	<b>61693</b>	<b>43176</b>	<b>57157</b>
Average monthly per capita income (Rs)	712	1231	1028	899	962
<b>Thresholds for poverty level (Rs 975 per month/person)</b>					
% of households Above poverty line	100	100	100	100	100
% of households below poverty line	0	0	0	0	0

\* Figure in the parenthesis indicates % of households

The average annual expenditure of farm households indicated that farmers in the study area spend highest on food (Rs.63212) followed by education, clothing, social function and health. Now a day's education is most important among all of us. In today's

competitive world, education is a necessity for man after food, clothing, and shelter. It is the only fundamental way by which a desired change in the society can happen. The average per capita monthly expenditure is around Rs.3546 and about 100 per cent of farm households are below poverty line (Table 14 and Figure 8).

**Table 14: Average annual expenditure of sample HHs in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Food	59109	31.0	59452	28.6	81456	29.9	115920	46.2	63212	30.0
Education	6857	3.6	7087	3.4	37000	13.6	0	0.0	10326	4.9
Clothing	12571	6.6	9522	4.6	20000	7.3	10000	4.0	11744	5.6
Social functions	98571	51.8	117826	56.6	118000	43.3	100000	39.9	111163	52.7
Health	13286	7.0	14130	6.8	16000	5.9	25000	10.0	14326	6.8
Total	190394	100.0	208017	100.0	272456	100.0	250920	100.0	210770	100.0
Monthly per capita	3043		3592		4541		5228		3546	

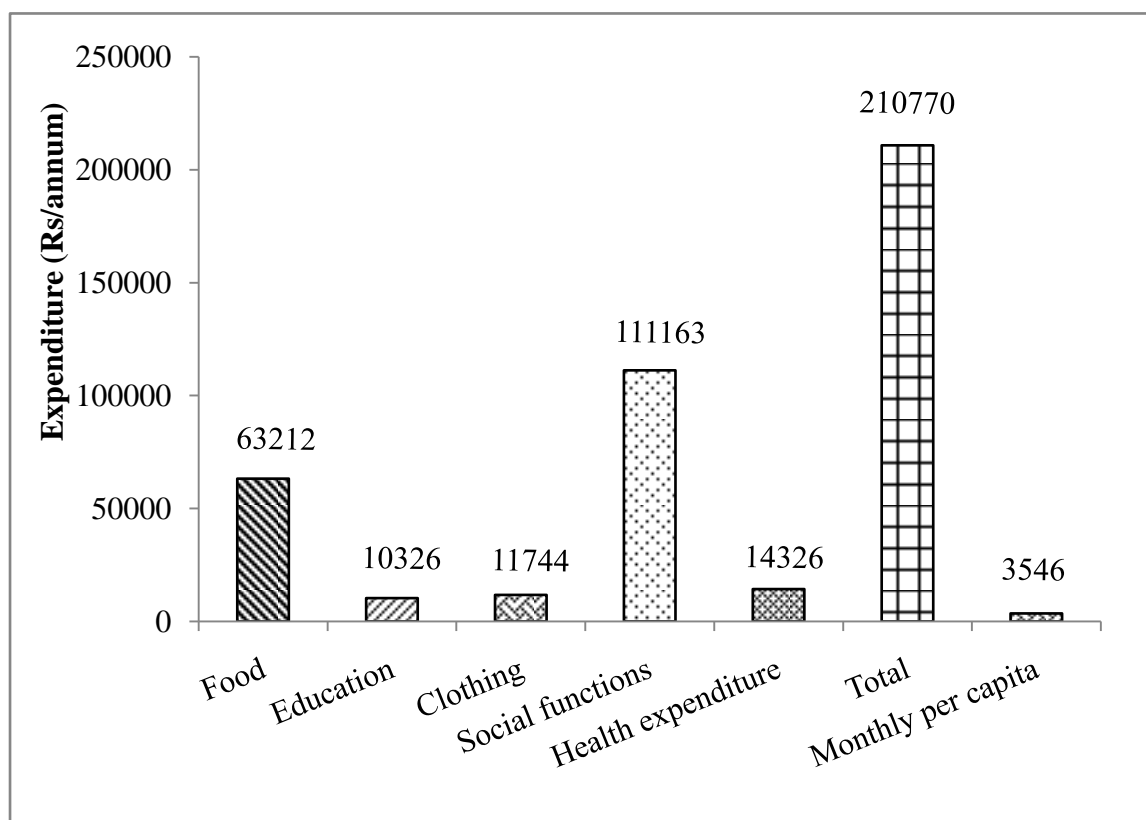


Figure 8: Average annual expenditure of sample HHs in Dadal Microwatershed

**Land holding:** Total sample households are 43 and total area cultivated by them is 59.90 ha. The average land holding of sample HHs is 1.39 ha. the large number of households is (23) belong to small size group with an average holding size of 1.41 ha followed by marginal farmers (14) with an average holding size of 0.79 ha, semi-medium farmers (5) with an average land holding is 2.46 ha and medium size groups (1) with an average land holding is 4.05 ha (Table 15).

**Table 15: Distribution of land holding among the sample households in Dadal micro-watershed**

Size groups	Particulars	Value
Marginal Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	14
	Total land holding (ha)	11.09
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	0.79
Small Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	23
	Total land holding (ha)	32.48
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	1.41
Semi-Medium Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	5
	Total land holding (ha)	12.29
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	2.46
Medium Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	1
	Total land holding (ha)	4.05
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	4.05
Total sample households	Total sample HHs in number	43
	Total land holding (ha)	59.90
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	1.39

**Land use:** The total land holding in the Dadal micro-watershed is 59.9 ha it's a dry land condition (Table 16). The average land holding per household is worked out to be 1.39 ha.

**Table 16: Land use among samples households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%
Irrigated land	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dry land	11.1	100.0	32.5	100.0	12.3	100.0	4.0	100.0	59.9	100.0
Fallow land	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total land	11.1	100.0	32.5	100.0	12.3	100.0	4.0	100.0	59.9	100.0
Average of land area	0.79		1.41		2.46		4.05		1.39	

In the micro-watershed, the prevalent present land uses under perennial plants are neem trees (80.3 %) followed by people tree (9 %), banyan tree (4.1 %), mango (2.5 %), tamarind (2.5 %), coconut (0.8 %) and lime (0.8 %) (Table 17).

**Table 17: Number of trees/plants covered in sample farm households in Dadal Microwatershed**

Plants	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Banyan tree(Alada)		0.0	5	7.7		0.0		0.0	5	4.1
Coconut		0.0		0.0	1	3.3		0.0	1	0.8
Lime		0.0	1	1.5		0.0		0.0	1	0.8
Mango	1	4.3	1	1.5		0.0	1	25.0	3	2.5
Neem trees	21	91.3	46	70.8	29	96.7	2	50.0	98	80.3
People tree(Arali)		0.0	10	15.4		0.0	1	25.0	11	9.0
Tamarind	1	4.3	2	3.1		0.0		0.0	3	2.5
Grand Total	23	100.0	65	100.0	30	100.0	4	100.0	122	100.0

The land use decisions are usually based on experience of farmers, tradition, expected profit, personal preferences, resources and social requirements. The present dominant crops grown in dry lands in the study area were by redgram (41.5 %) followed by cotton (37.8 %), groundnut (9 %), green gram (4.1 %), paddy (3.3 %) and maize (2.7 %) which are taken during Kharif season and paddy (1.6 %) under with rabi season, respectively. The cropping intensity was 102 per cent (Table 18 and Figure 9).

**Table 18: Present cropping pattern and cropping intensity in Dadal Microwatershed**

Crops/Season	MF(14)		SF(23)		SMF(5)		MDF(1)		ALL (43)	
	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%
<b>Kharif</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>92.5</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>58.3</b>	<b>98.4</b>
Red gram	4.0	37.0	14.4	45.1	2.1	17.0	4.0	100.0	24.6	41.5
Cotton	4.9	45.2	13.0	40.7	4.5	36.3		0.0	22.4	37.8
Groundnut		0.0	2.9	9.1	2.4	19.6		0.0	5.3	9.0
Green gram		0.0		0.0	2.4	19.6		0.0	2.4	4.1
Paddy	1.9	17.8		0.0		0.0		0.0	1.9	3.3
Maize		0.0	1.6	5.1		0.0		0.0	1.6	2.7
<b>Rabi</b>	<b>0.0</b>			<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>
Paddy		0.0		0.0	0.9	7.5		0.0	0.9	1.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>59.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Cropping intensity (%)</b>	100		100		108		100		102	

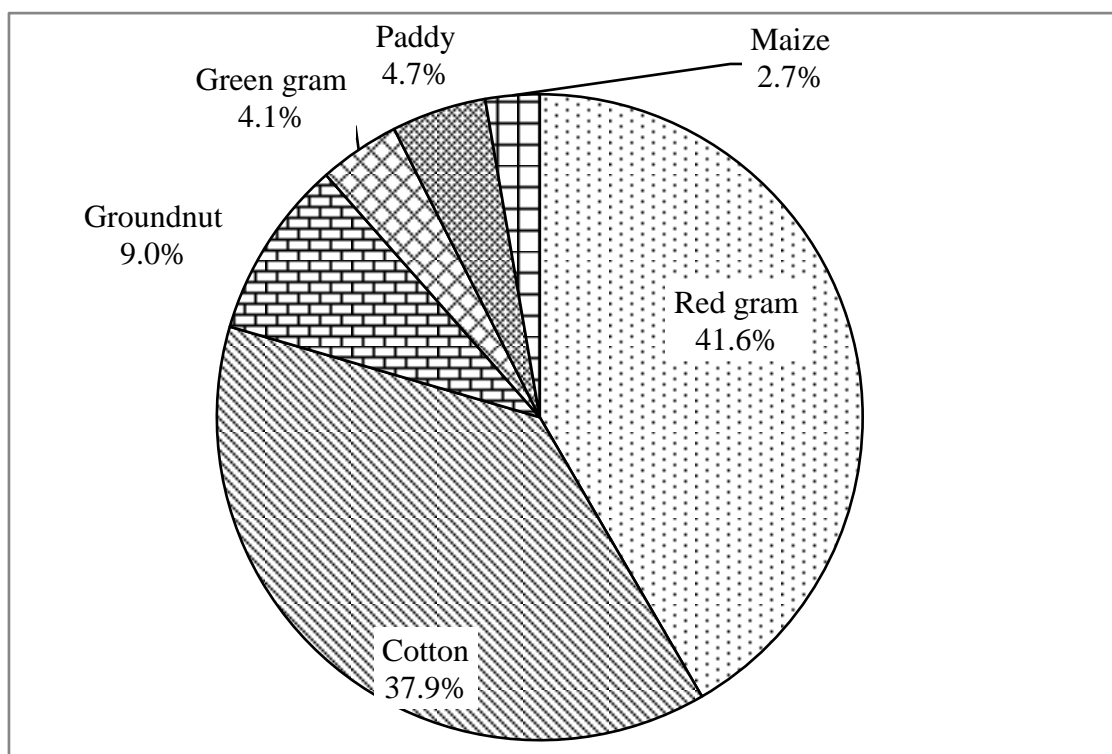


Figure 9: Present cropping pattern in Dadal Microwatershed

### Economic land evaluation

The main purpose to characterise the socio-economic systems in the watershed is to identify the existing production constraints and propose the potential/alternate options for agro-technology transfer and for bridging the adoption and yield gap.



In Dadal micro-watershed, 9 soil series are identified and mapped (Table 19). The distribution of major soil series are Hegganakera covering an area around 239 ha (42.03 %) followed by Kudlura 79.34 ha (14.02 %), Rachanalli 60 ha (10.59 %), Sowrashtrahalli 72 ha (12.64 %), Gudalagunta 43 ha (7.54 %), Balched 37 ha (6.48 %), Halagera 11 (1.93 %), Yalleri 5 ha (0.89 %), and Kyathanala 1ha (0.25 %).

**Table 19: Distribution of soil series in Dadal Microwatershed**

Soil No	Soil Series	Mapping Unit Description	Area in Ha (%)
Soil of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape			
1	HLG	Halagera soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have dark brown to dark yellowish brown and dark grayish brown, calcareous sandy clay loam to sandy clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	11 (1.93)
2	YLR	Yalleri soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have brown to reddish brown and dark reddish brown, gravelly sandy clay red soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	5 (0.89)
Soil of Alluvial Landscape			
3	GDL	Gudalagunta soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have very dark gray, calcareous sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	43 (7.54)
4	KYT	Kyathanala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have brown to strong brown and reddish to dark reddish brown, sandy clay loam to sandy clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	1 (0.25)
5	BLD	Balched soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray to very dark grayish brown, calcareous alluvial clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	37 (6.48)
6	RHN	Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), moderately well drained, have brown to very dark grayish brown, sandy clay to calcareous alluvial clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	60 (10.59)
7	KDR	Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark grayish brown, calcareous sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	79.34 (14.02)
8	SWR	Sowrashtrahalli soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark grayish brown, calcareous black cracking clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	72 (12.67)
9	HGN	Hegganakera soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark grayish brown and brown, calcareous black cracking clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	239 (42.03)

Present cropping pattern on different soil series are given in Table 20. Crops grown on HGN soils are cotton and redgram. Cotton, green nut, paddy and redgram on SWR soils are grown. Groundnut, cotton, paddy and redgram are grown on KDR soils. Cotton

and redgram on RHN soils are grow. Cotton, maize and redgram on BLD soils are grow. Groundnut, and redgram on YLR soils can grow and Cotton on GDL soil can grow.

**Table 20: Cropping pattern on major soil series in Dadal micro-watershed**  
(Area in per cent)

Soil Series	Soil Depth	Crops	Kharif		Grand Total
			Dry	Irrigated	
GDL	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Cotton	100.0	0.0	100.0
YLR	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Groundnut	18.8	0.0	18.8
		Redgram	30.6	0.0	30.6
BLD	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Cotton	11.8	0.0	11.8
		Maize	23.5	0.0	23.5
		Redgram	64.7	0.0	64.7
RHN	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Cotton	10.8	0.0	10.8
		Redgram	89.2	0.0	89.2
KDR	Deep (100-150 cm)	Cotton	34.0	0.0	34.0
		Groundnut	33.3	0.0	33.3
		Paddy	0.0	16.0	16.0
		Redgram	16.7	0.0	16.7
SWR	Deep (100-150 cm)	Cotton	40.0	0.0	40.0
		Greengram	17.1	0.0	17.1
		Paddy	5.7	0.0	5.7
		Redgram	37.1	0.0	37.1
HGN	Very deep (>150 cm)	Cotton	81.7	0.0	81.7
		Redgram	18.3	0.0	18.3

Land is used for agricultural use for growing cereals, pulse, oilseeds and commercial crops. The soil/ land potential are measures in terms of physical yield and net income. The alternative land use options for each micro-watershed are given below (Table 21).

**Table 21: Alternative land use options for different size group of farmers (Benefit Cost Ratio) in Dadal Microwatershed.**

Soil Series	MF(14)	SF(23)	SMF(5)	MDF(1)
GDL	Cotton(1.17)			
YLR		Groundnut(1.68)	Redgram(2.01)	
BLD	Cotton(1.41)	Maize(1.48) Redgram(1.54)		
RHN	Cotton(1.17) Redgram(1.11)	Redgram(1.48)		
SWR		Cotton(4.24) Redgram(1.6)	Cotton(1.77) Greengram(1.96) Paddy(1.61)	Redgram(1.82)
KDR	Cotton(1.07) Paddy(1.7) Redgram(1.72)	Groundnut(1.32) Redgram(1.57)	Cotton(1.28) Groundnut(1.23)	
HGN	Cotton(2.18) Redgram(1.15)	Cotton(2.39) Redgram(1.42)		

The productivity of different crops grown in Dadal micro-watershed under potential yield of the crops is given in Table 22.

The data on cost of cultivation and benefit cost ratio (BCR) of different crops is given in Tables 22. The total cost of cultivation in study area for cotton ranges between Rs.41969/ha in BLD soil (with BCR of 1.41) and Rs.19813/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 3.62), green gram the cost of cultivation is Rs.14162/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 1.96), groundnut range between Rs.28742/ha in YLR soil (with BCR of 1.68) and Rs.28009/ha in KDR soil (with BCR of 1.27), maize the cost of cultivation is Rs.35825/ha in BLD soil (with BCR of 1.48), paddy range between is Rs. 31583/ha in SWR soil (with BCR of 1.61) and Rs. 28742 in KDR soil (with BCR of 1.70), red gram range between is Rs. 30294/ha in HGN soil (with BCR of 1.28) and Rs. 15964/ha in YLR soil (with BCR of 2.01).

The data on FYM, Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potash application by the farmers to different crops and recommended FYM for different crops is given in Table 22 and 22a. There is a huge gap between FYM application by farmers and recommended FYM in all the crops across the soils. There is a larger yield gap in crops grown across different soil series. Adequate knowledge about recommended package of practices is the pre-requisite for their use in cultivation of crops. It is a fact that, recommended practices are major contributing factors to yield. Inadequate knowledge about recommended practices leads to their improper adoption. Strengthening of extension services by concerned agency is required to increase adoption of recommended cultivation practices and ultimately reducing the gap. By adopting soil-test fertiliser recommendation, there is scope to increase yield and income to a maximum of Rs.84528 in maize and a minimum of Rs.962 in red gram cultivation.

**Table 22: Economic land evaluation and bridging yield gap for different crops in Dadal micro-watershed**

Soil Series	GDL (25-50 cm)	YLR (50-75 cm)		BLD (50-75 cm)		RHN (75-100 cm)		SWR (100-150 cm)				KDR (100-150 cm)			HGN (>150 cm)			
	Cotton	Ground nut	Red gram	Cot ton	Maize	Red gram	Cot ton	Red gram	Cot ton	Green gram	Paddy	Red gram	Cot ton	Ground nut	Paddy	Red gram	Cot ton	Red gram
Total cost (Rs/ha)	26429	28742	15964	41969	35825	22292	28583	27945	19813	14162	31583	19693	30106	28009	28742	31891	24359	30294
Gross Return (Rs/ha)	30875	48165	32063	59280	52858	33619	33345	35019	57633	27788	50882	33345	35366	36124	53002	52488	53981	39520
Net returns (Rs/ha)	4446	19423	16098	17311	17033	11327	4762	7074	37820	13626	19299	13652	5260	8115	24261	20597	29622	9226
B:C	1.17	1.68	2.01	1.41	1.48	1.54	1.17	1.29	3.62	1.96	1.61	1.71	1.18	1.27	1.70	1.64	2.32	1.28
<b>Farmers Practices (FP)</b>																		
FYM (t/ha)	2.5	1.6	1.0	2.5	2.5	1.6	2.5	2.0	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2	2.7	1.0	1.6	2.7	2.3	3.4
Nitrogen (kg/ha)	80.0	56.6	57.7	121.3	160.6	67.3	90.0	77.2	86.0	26.7	117.1	63.8	55.4	63.3	103.4	77.3	72.5	54.1
Phosphorus (kg/ha)	57.5	42.6	42.8	111.3	121.9	55.3	73.8	62.8	70.1	19.2	91.0	60.1	48.9	60.7	121.1	58.5	55.3	64.7
Potash (kg/ha)	0.0	6.6	8.2	21.3	31.9	5.3	0.0	8.8	17.5	0.0	0.0	7.1	4.8	8.9	13.3	10.6	2.3	0.0
Grain (Qtl/ha)	6.3	11.7	7.2	15.0	21.9	8.0	7.5	8.3	12.5	6.3	25.0	7.9	8.1	9.4	26.0	12.5	12.3	10.0
Price of Yield (Rs/Qtl)	5000	4000	4500	4000	2400	4333	4500	4333	4400	4500	2000	4250	4500	3750	2000	4250	4411	4000
<b>Soil test based fertilizer Recommendation (STBR)</b>																		
FYM (t/ha)	12.5	7.5	7.5	12.5	7.5	7.5	12.5	7.5	12.5	7.5	9.9	7.5	12.5	7.5	9.9	7.5	12.5	7.5
Nitrogen (kg/ha)	112.5	31.3	31.3	150.0	100.0	25.0	187.5	18.8	150.0	13.0	100.0	21.9	168.8	25.0	100.0	25.0	145.8	21.9
Phosphorus (kg/ha)	75.0	50.0	50.0	75.0	50.0	50.0	75.0	50.0	75.0	25.0	50.0	50.0	75.0	50.0	50.0	56.3	87.5	56.3
Potash (kg/ha)	56.3	25.0	25.0	75.0	25.0	25.0	75.0	21.9	56.3	18.8	37.5	21.9	75.0	25.0	50.0	25.0	60.4	18.8
Grain (Qtl/ha)	18.5	9.0	13.8	18.5	57.5	13.8	18.5	13.8	18.5	6.3	56.8	13.8	18.5	9.0	56.8	13.8	18.5	13.8
<b>% of Adoption/yield gap (STBR-FP) / (STBR)</b>																		
FYM (%)	80.0	79.2	87.2	80.0	66.7	78.7	80.0	73.7	91.3	88.9	87.3	83.9	78.4	86.1	84.2	63.9	81.7	54.2
Nitrogen (%)	28.9	-81.3	-84.6	19.2	-60.6	-169.0	52.0	-311.5	42.6	-105.1	-17.1	-191.6	67.2	-153.3	-3.4	-209.2	50.3	-147.1
Phosphorus (%)	23.3	14.8	14.4	-48.3	-143.8	-10.6	1.7	-25.6	6.5	23.3	-82.1	-20.2	34.8	-21.5	-142.2	-4.1	36.8	-15.0
Potash (%)	100.0	73.4	67.3	71.7	-27.5	78.8	100.0	59.9	69.0	100.0	100.0	67.6	93.6	64.6	73.4	57.5	96.2	100.0
Grain (%)	66.3	-30.2	47.6	19.0	62.0	41.9	59.5	39.8	32.5	0.0	56.0	42.4	56.3	-4.2	54.2	9.1	33.4	27.3
<b>Value of yield and Fertilizer (Rs)</b>																		
Additional Cost (Rs/ha)	12285	6327	6875	9825	973	5556	12725	4529	13175	7134	7369	5641	13711	5849	5883	4351	13667	3680
Additional Benefits (Rs/ha)	61350	-10875	29423	14080	85500	24977	49590	23697	26488	0	63600	24792	46905	-1406	61517	5313	27313	15000
Net change income (Rs/ha)	49065	-17202	22548	4255	84528	19421	36865	19167	13314	-7134	56231	19151	33194	-7255	55634	962	13647	11320

Economic valuation of Ecosystem Services (ES) was aimed at combining use and non-use values to determine Total Economic Value (TEV) of ES. Ecosystem Services (ES) were valued based on their annual flow or utilization in common monetary units, Rs/year. The valuation of ES was based on market price in 2017 or market cost approaches whichever is applicable, and in other cases on value or benefit transfer from previous valuation studies.

The average value of ecosystem service for food grain production is around Rs.16379/ ha/year (Table 24 and Figure 10). Per hectare food grain production services is maximum in cotton (Rs.27737) followed by paddy (Rs.21084), maize (Rs.16045), green gram (Rs. 13626), red gram (Rs. 11567) and groundnut (Rs. 10212).

**Table 24: Ecosystem services of food grain production in Dadal Microwatershed**

Production items	Crops	Area in ha	Yield (Qt/ha)	Price (Rs/Qt)	Gross Returns (Rs/ha)	Cost of Cultivation (Rs/ha)	Net returns (Rs/ha)
Cereals	Maize	1.62	21.61	2400	51870	35825	16045
	Paddy	2.75	25.39	2000	50772	29689	21084
Pulses	Greengram	2.43	6.18	4500	27788	14162	13626
	Redgram	22.97	8.75	4281	37459	25892	11567
Oil seeds	Groundnut	5.34	10.03	3833	38465	28253	10212
Commercial crops	Cotton	23.04	11.53	4428	51053	25315	25737
Average value		58.15	13.91	3574	42901	26522	16379

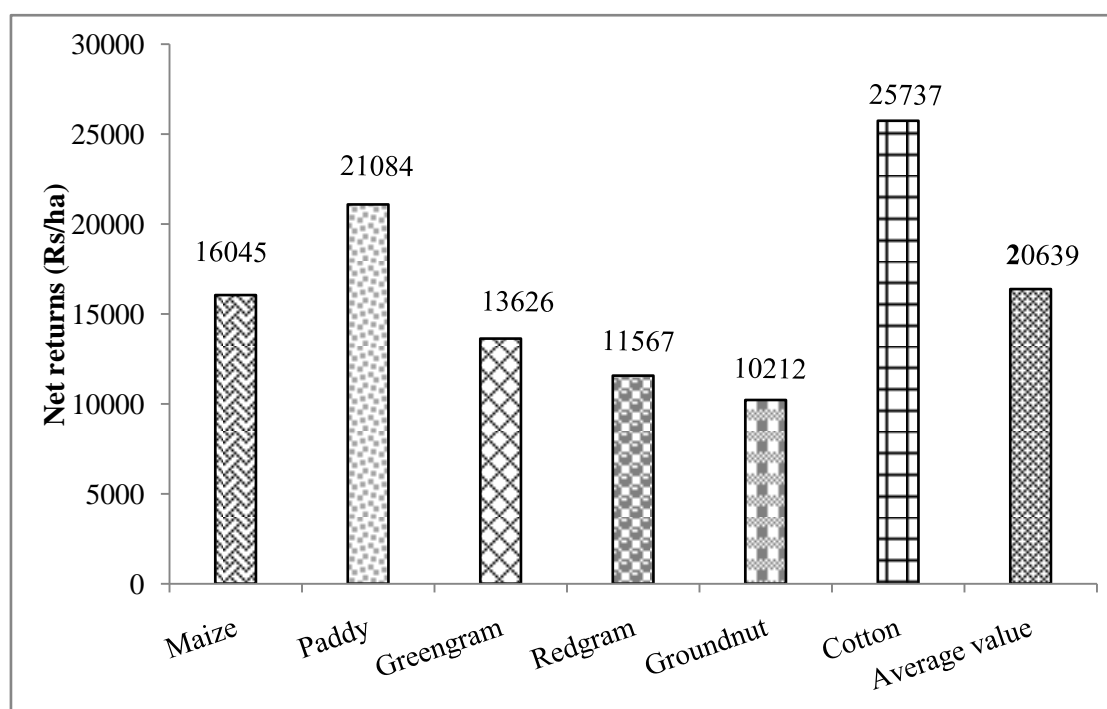


Figure 10: Ecosystem services of food production in Dadal Microwatershed

The average value of ecosystem service for fodder production is around Rs.1413/ha/year (Table 25). Per hectare fodder production services is maximum in maize (Rs. 2223) followed by groundnut (Rs.1029), and paddy (Rs.988).

**Table 25: Ecosystem services of fodder production in Dadal Microwatershed**

Production items	Crops	Area in ha	Yield (Qtl/ha)	Price (Rs/Qtl)	Net Returns (Rs/ha)
Cereals	Maize	1.6	1.9	1200	2223
	Paddy	2.8	1.1	900	988
Oil seeds	Groundnut	5.3	0.9	1200	1029
Average Value		9.7	1.3	1100	1413

The water demand for production of different crops was worked out in arriving at the ecosystem services of water support to crop growth. The data on water requirement for producing one quintal of grain is considered for estimating the total value of water required for crop production. The value of per hector water used was maximum (Table 26 and Figure 11) in red gram (Rs.47632) followed by cotton (Rs.46455), green gram (Rs.42645), paddy (Rs. 42471), groundnut (Rs. 27916) and maize (Rs. 26410).

**Table 26: Ecosystem services of water supply in Dadal Microwatershed**

Crops	Yield (Qtl/ha)	Virtual water (cubic meter) per ha	Value of Water (Rs/ha)	Water consumption (Cubic meters/Qtl)
Cotton	11.53	4645	46455	403
Greengram	6.18	4264	42645	691
Groundnut	10.03	2792	27916	278
Maize	21.61	2641	26410	122
Paddy	25.39	4247	42471	167
Redgram	8.75	4763	47632	544
Average value	13.91	3892	38921	368

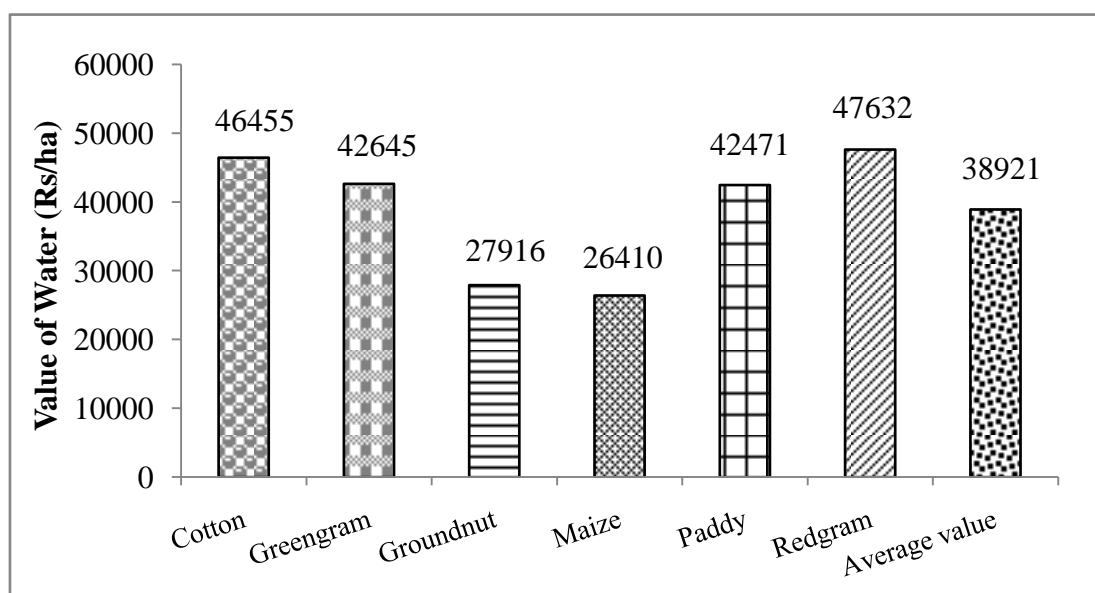


Figure 11: Ecosystem services of water supply in Dadal Microwatershed

The main constraints in farming is climate change particularly decline in rainfall and increasing temperature. Farmers reported that they are not getting timely support/extension services from the concerned development department (Table 27).

**Table 27: Farming constraints related land resources of sample households in Dadal Microwatershed**

<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
<b>Farmers awareness of climate change</b>	
Yes	0
No	100
<b>Perception on climate change</b>	
Decrease in rainfall	0.0
Increase in temperature	0.0
<b>Availability agricultural technology information</b>	
Yes	3
No	97

The findings of the study would be very much useful to the planners and policy makers of the study area to identify the irrationality in the existing production pattern and to suggest appropriate production plans for efficient utilization of their scarce resources resulting in increased net farm incomes and employment. The study also throws light on future potentialities of increasing net farm income and employment under different situations viz., with existing and recommended technology.