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DEVELOPMENT**

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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 Saidapur Microwatershed, Yadgir Taluk and 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 in and socio-economic status of farm households covering thirty per cent farmers randomly selected representing landed and landless class of farmers in the micro-watershed. 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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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The land resource inventory of Saidapur 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 the 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, behavior and use potentials of the soils in the microwatershed.*

*The present study covers an area of 564 ha in Yadgir taluk & 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 517 ha in the microwatershed is covered by soils, 8 ha by rock outcrops and about 38 ha by others (habitation and water bodies). The salient findings from the land resource inventory are summarized briefly below.*

- ❖ The soils belong to 8 soil series and 18 soil phases (management units) and 4 land use class.*
- ❖ The length of crop growing period is about 120-150 days starting from 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 26 major agricultural and horticultural crops was assessed and maps showing the degree of suitability along with constraints were generated.*
- ❖ Entire area in the microwatershed is suitable for agriculture.*
- ❖ About 76 per cent area of the microwatershed has soils that are moderately deep to very deep (75 - >150 cm) and 16 per cent soils are shallow to moderately shallow (25-75 cm).*
- ❖ About 4 per cent area in the microwatershed has sandy soils, 32 per cent loamy soils and 56 per cent clayey soils at the surface.*
- ❖ About 91 per cent area of the microwatershed is non gravelly (<15%) and 1 per cent is gravelly (15-35%) at the surface.*
- ❖ About 36 per cent area of the microwatershed is very high (>200 mm/m) in available water capacity, 42 per cent is medium (101-150 mm/m), 6 per cent is low (51-100 mm/m) and 8 per cent area is very low (<50 mm/m) in available water capacity.*

- ❖ *Entire area in the microwatershed has very gently sloping (1-3% slope) lands.*
- ❖ *An area of about 86 per cent is moderately (e2) eroded and 6 per cent area is severely (e3) eroded.*
- ❖ *An area of about 9 per cent soils are neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) in soil reaction, 67 per cent soil are slightly to moderately alkaline (pH 7.3-8.4) and 16 per cent soils are strongly alkaline (8.4 - 9.0).*
- ❖ *The Electrical Conductivity (EC) of the soils in the entire area of the microwatershed is dominantly  $<2 \text{ dsm}^{-1}$  indicating that the soils are non-saline.*
- ❖ *About 4 per cent of the soils are low ( $<0.5\%$ ) in organic carbon, 27 per cent medium (0.5-0.75%) and 61 per cent high ( $>0.75$ ).*
- ❖ *About 31 per cent area is low in available phosphorus, 45 per cent area is medium (23-57 kg/ha) and 16 per cent is high ( $>57 \text{ kg/ha}$ ).*
- ❖ *About 2 per cent area is low ( $<145 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in available potassium, 58 per cent is medium (145-337 kg/ha) and 32 per cent is high ( $>337 \text{ kg/ha}$ ).*
- ❖ *Available sulphur is low ( $<10 \text{ ppm}$ ) in an area of about 51 per cent and medium (10 -20 ppm) in 41 per cent area of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available boron is low ( $<0.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in an area of about 15 per cent, medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in an area of 60 per cent and high ( $>1.0 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 17 per cent area of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available iron is sufficient ( $>4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in the entire area of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available manganese and copper are sufficient in all the soils of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available zinc is deficient ( $<0.6 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 86 per cent area and sufficient in 6 per cent area of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *The land suitability for 26 major crops grown in the microwatershed were 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, market price and finally the demand and supply position.*

**Land suitability for various crops in the Microwatershed**

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Suitability Area in ha (%)</b>		<b>Crop</b>	<b>Suitability Area in ha (%)</b>	
	<b>Highly suitable (S1)</b>	<b>Moderately suitable (S2)</b>		<b>Highly suitable (S1)</b>	<b>Moderately suitable (S2)</b>
<i>Sorghum</i>	-	472(84)	<i>Sapota</i>	-	-
<i>Maize</i>	-	32(6)	<i>Pomegranate</i>	-	429(76)
<i>Bajra</i>	-	461(82)	<i>Musambi</i>	-	429(76)
<i>Groundnut</i>	-	31(5)	<i>Lime</i>	-	429(76)
<i>Sunflower</i>	-	429(76)	<i>Amla</i>	-	472(84)
<i>Redgram</i>	-	429(76)	<i>Cashew</i>	-	-
<i>Bengal gram</i>	12(2)	460(82)	<i>Jackfruit</i>	-	-
<i>Cotton</i>	12(2)	460(82)	<i>Jamun</i>	-	203(36)
<i>Chilli</i>	-	461(82)	<i>Custard apple</i>	-	472(84)
<i>Tomato</i>	-	32(6)	<i>Tamarind</i>	-	203(36)
<i>Drumstick</i>	-	429(76)	<i>Mulberry</i>	-	-
<i>Mango</i>	-	12(2)	<i>Marigold</i>	-	472(84)
<i>Guava</i>	-	-	<i>Chrysanthemum</i>	-	472(84)

- ❖ *Apart from the individual crop suitability, a proposed crop plan has been prepared for the identified LMUs by considering only the highly and moderately suitable lands for different crops and cropping systems with food, fodder, fibre and other horticulture crops.*
- ❖ *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. This would help in not only supplementing the farm income but also provide fodder and fuel and generate lot of biomass which would help in maintaining an ecological balance and also contribute to mitigating the climate change.*





## **INTRODUCTION**

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

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 in more than 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 situations 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. The continued neglect and unscientific use of the resources for a long time has led to the situation observed at present in the state. It is a known fact and established beyond doubt by many studies in the past that the cause for all kinds of degradation is the neglect and irrational use of the land resources. Hence, there is an urgent need to generate a 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 not only the surface but also consider the other parameters which are critical for productivity *viz.*, soils, climate, water, minerals and rocks, 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 the 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 other states.

The land resource inventory aims to provide site specific database for Saidapur microwatershed in Yadgir Taluk & 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.

The study was organized and executed by the ICAR- National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Regional Centre, Bangalore under Generation of Land Resource Inventory Data Base Component-1 of the Sujala-III Project funded by the World Bank.

**GEOGRAPHICAL SETTING**

**2.1 Location and Extent**

The Saidapur microwatershed is located in the northern part of Karnataka in Yadgir Taluk & District (Fig.2.1). It comprised of Sydhapuravillage. It lies between 16<sup>0</sup> 33' and 16<sup>0</sup> 34' North latitudes and 77<sup>0</sup> 15' and 77<sup>0</sup> 16' East longitudes covering an area of about 564 ha. It is about 43 km southeast of Yadgir town and is surrounded by Kanekal on the northeast, Ramapura on the east, Sydhapura on the south, and Kudlura village on the northwest and northern side of the microwatershed.

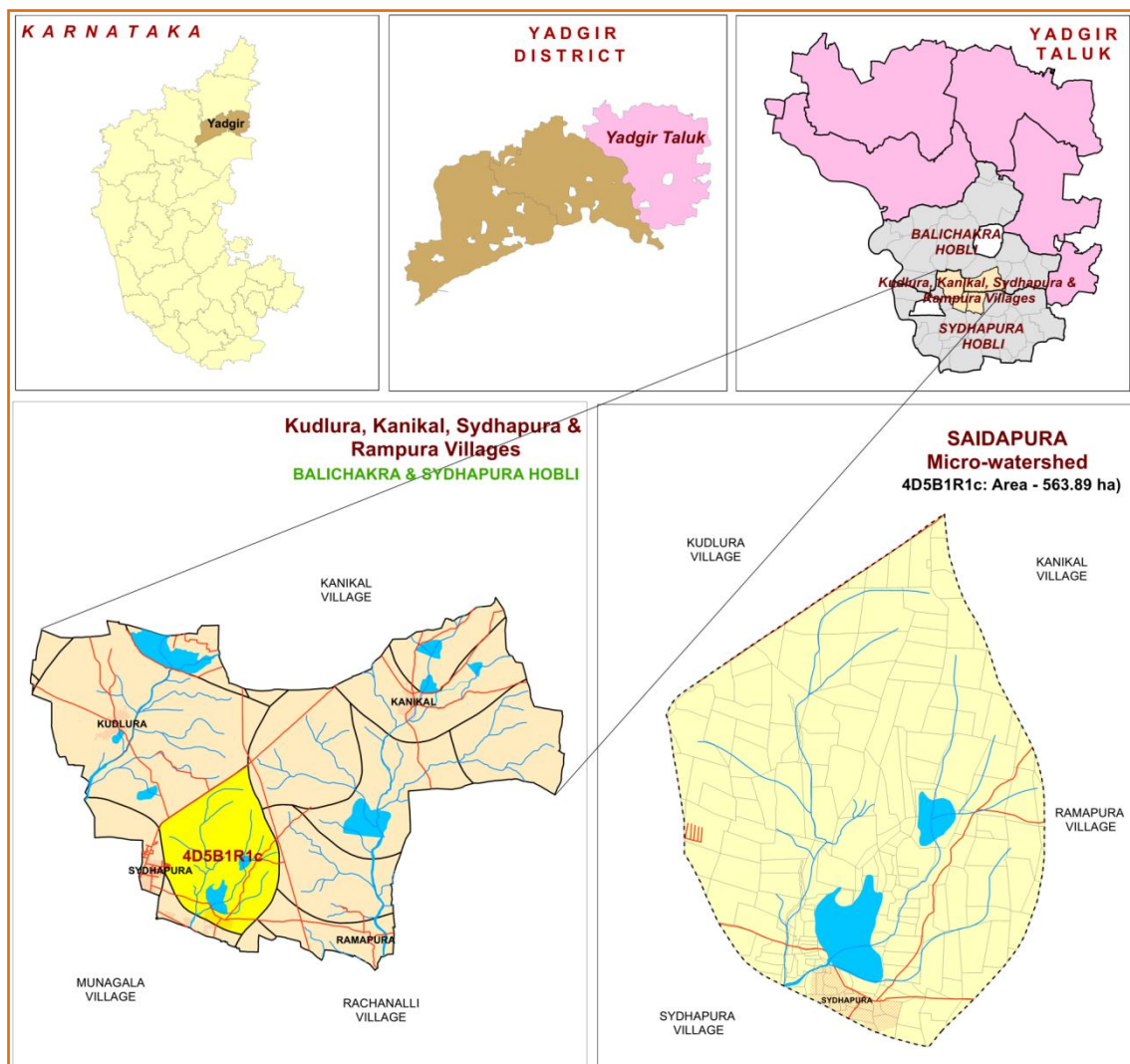


Fig.2.1 Location map of Saidapur Microwatershed

## 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 Saidapur microwatershed. 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. The 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 soils 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 landscapes 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 368-386 m above MSL. The mounds and ridges are mostly covered by rock outcrops.

### **2.4 Drainage**

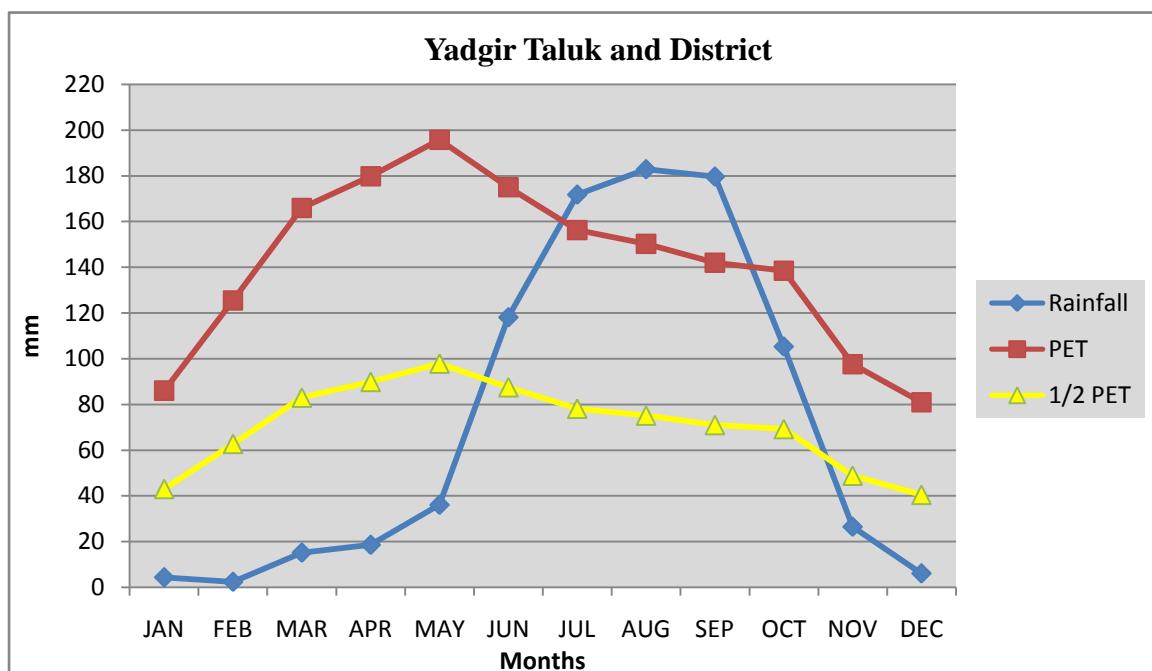
The area is drained by several parallel streams like Bori, Amerja and Kanga which finally join the river Bhima along its course. Though, they are not perennial, during rainy season they carry large quantities of rain water. The microwatershed has only few small tanks which are not capable of storing 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 866mm (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>		



**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. The cropping intensity is 120 per cent in the district. 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 Saidapur microwatershed is presented in Fig.2.4. The different crops and cropping systems adopted in the microwatershed is presented in the Figures 2.5a & b.

**Table 2.2 Land Utilization in Yadgir District**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Agricultural land use</b>	<b>Area ( ha)</b>	<b>Per cent</b>
1.	Total geographical area	516088	-
2.	Total cultivated area	373617	72.4
3.	Area sown more than once	74081	14.3
4.	Cropping intensity	-	119.8
5.	Trees and grooves	737	0.14
6.	Forest	33773	6.54
7.	Cultivable wasteland	2385	0.46
8.	Permanent Pasture land	11755	2.28
9.	Barren land	27954	5.41
10.	Non- Agriculture land	29623	5.73
11.	Current Fallows	105212	20.4



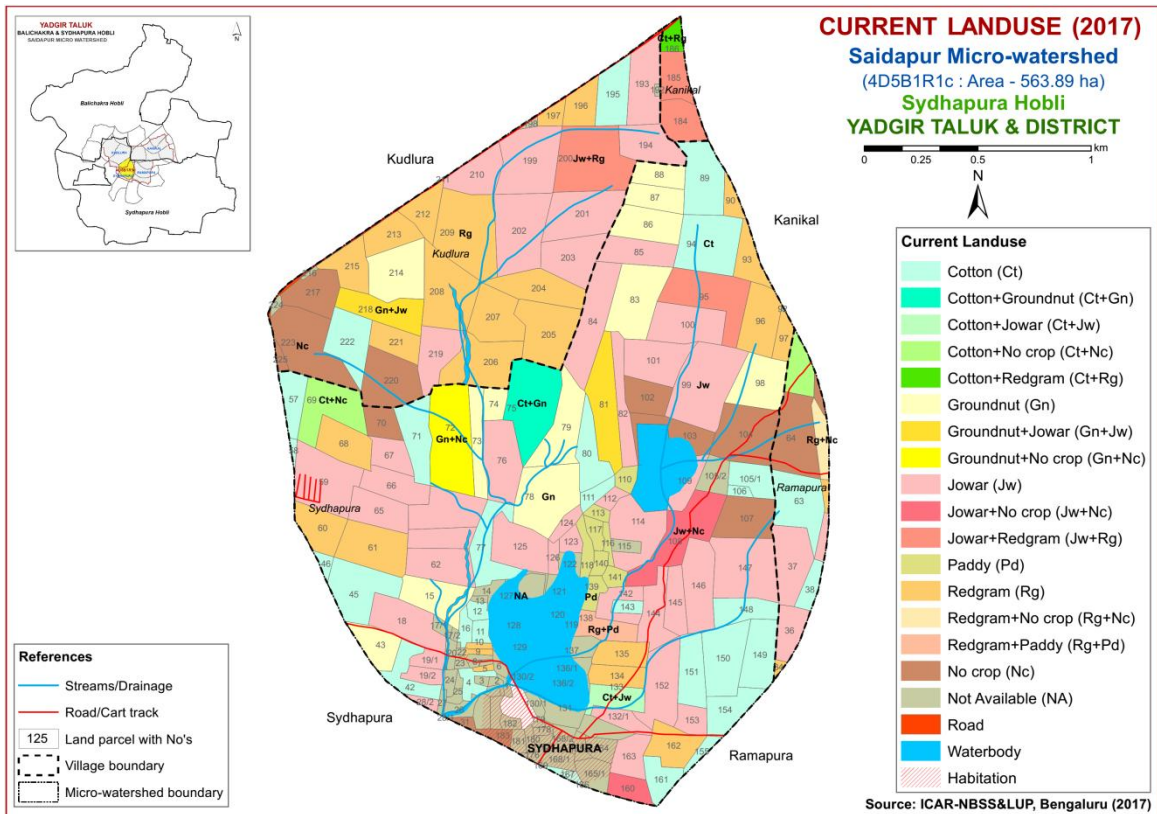
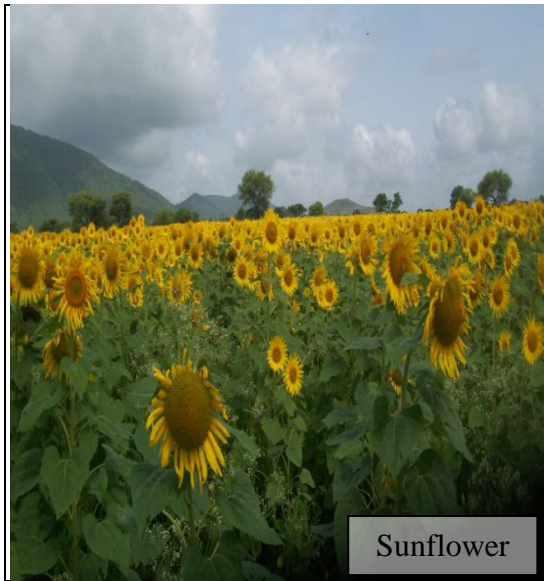


Fig.2.4 Current Land Use map of SaidapurMicrowatershed

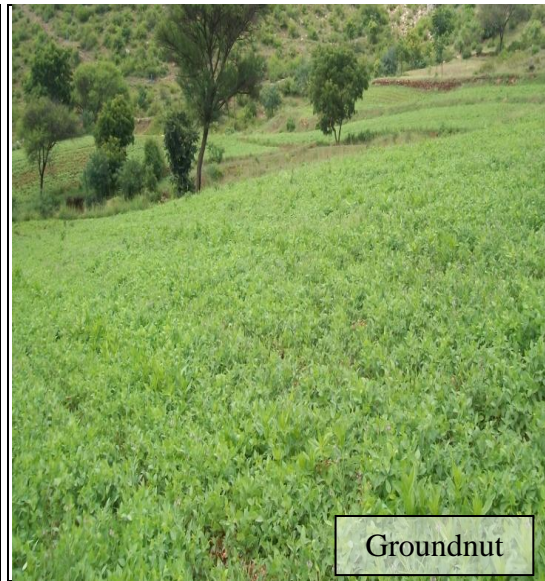


Fig 2.5a. Different Crops and Cropping Systems in Saidapur Microwatershed





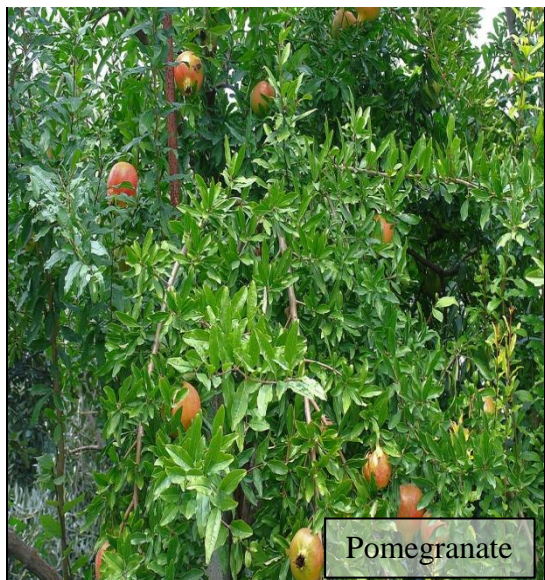
Sunflower



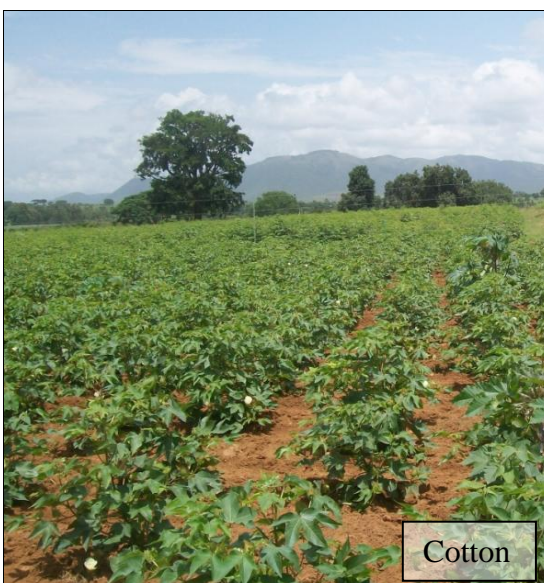
Groundnut



Mango



Pomegranate



Cotton



Sorghum

Fig. 2.5b. Different Crops and Cropping Systems in Saidapur 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 for a given level of management. This was achieved in Saidapur 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 characteristics (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 their geographic distribution on the microwatershed cadastral map. The detailed survey at 1:7920 scale was carried out in an area of 564 ha. 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 and satellite imagery as a base supplied by KSRSAC. 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 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 also 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 and alluvial landscapes. 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 Landscape**

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 Landscape**

#### **DSe1 – Summit**

DSe11 –

DSe12 –

#### **DSe2 – Very gently sloping**

DSe21 – Very gently sloping, dark gray tone

DSe22 – Very gently sloping, medium gray tone

DSe23 – Very gently sloping, yellowish grey tone

DSe24 – Very gently sloping, whitish grey tone

DSe25 – Very gently sloping, whitish/ eroded/ calcareous tone

DSe 26- Very gently sloping, medium pink

#### **DSe3 – Valley/ Lowland**

DSe31 – Whitish gray/Calcareous

DSe32 – Gray with pink patches

DSe 33 – Medium gray tone

DSe 34 – Lightish gray tone

DSe 35 – Dark gray tone



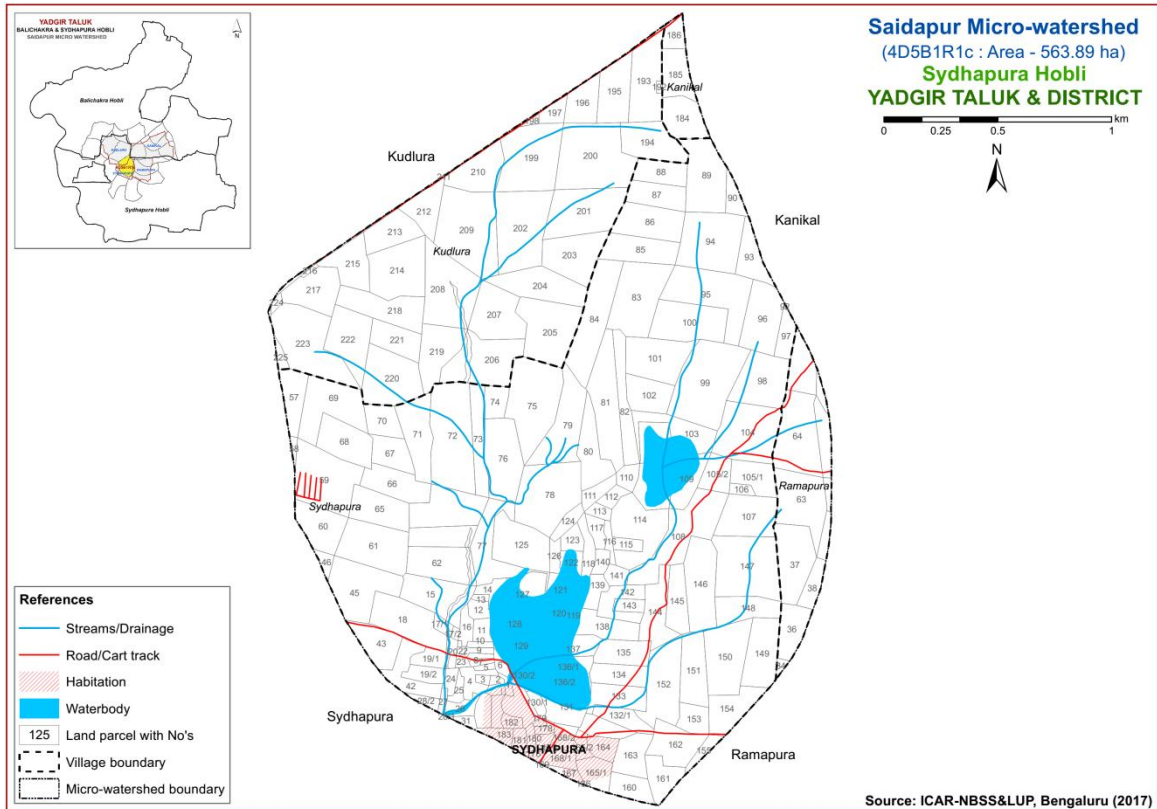


Fig 3.1 Scanned and Digitized Cadastral map of Saidapur Microwatershed

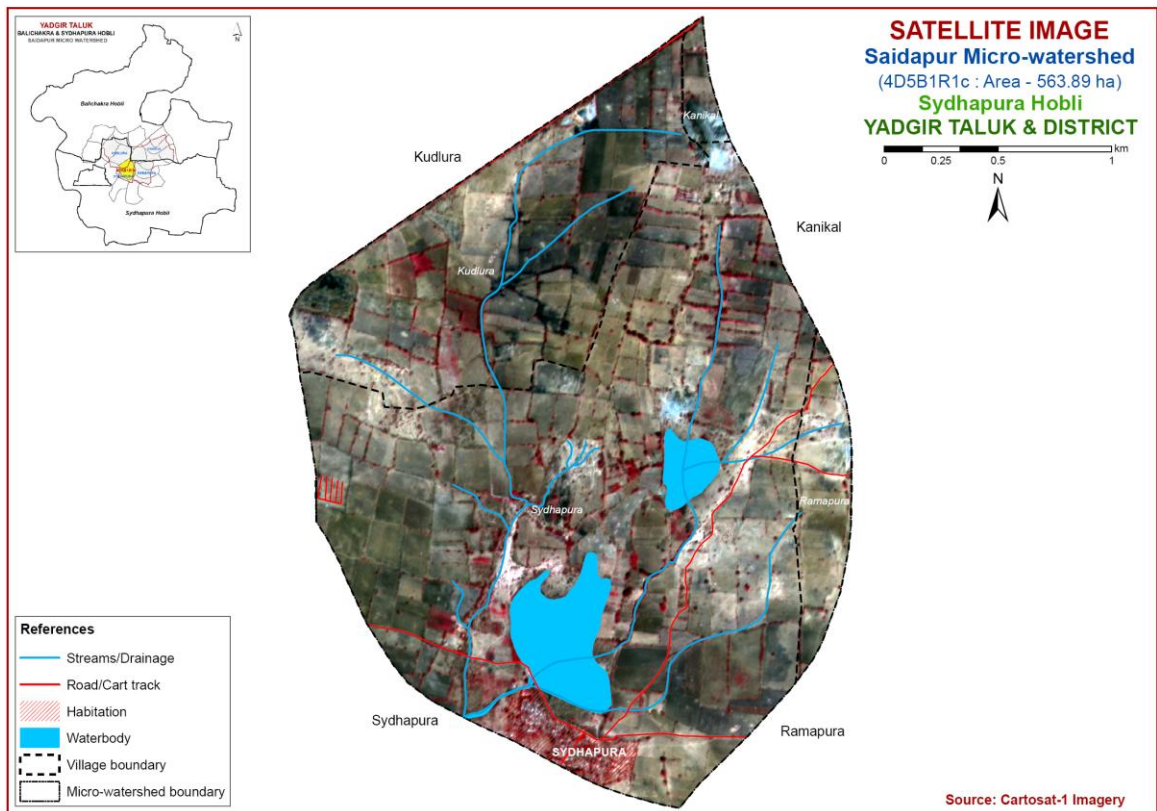


Fig.3.2 Satellite Image of Saidapur Microwatershed

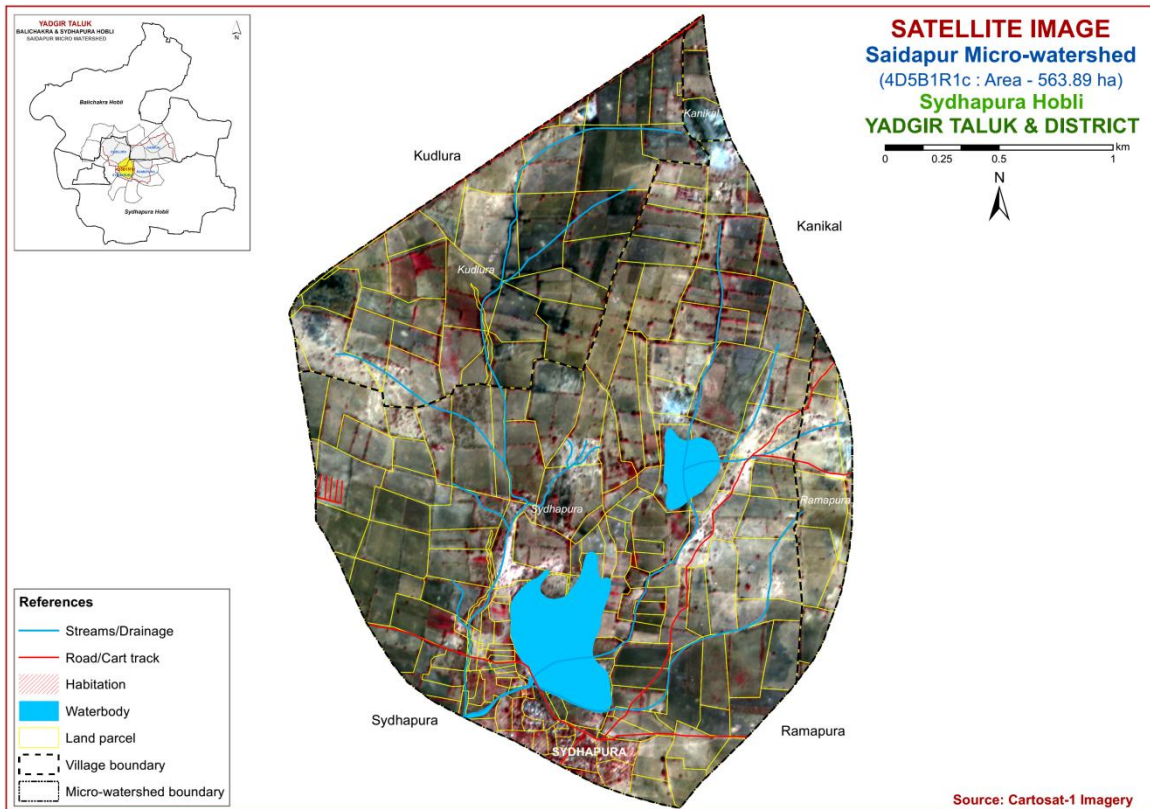


Fig.3.3 Cadastral map overlaid on IRS PAN+LISS IV merged imagery of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 3.3 Field Investigation

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. 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 few selected places. Then, intensive traversing of each physiographic unit like hills, ridges, uplands and valleys was carried out. Based on the variability observed on the surface, transects (Fig. 3.4) were selected across the slope covering all the landform units in the microwatershed (Natarajan and Dipak Sarkar, 2010).

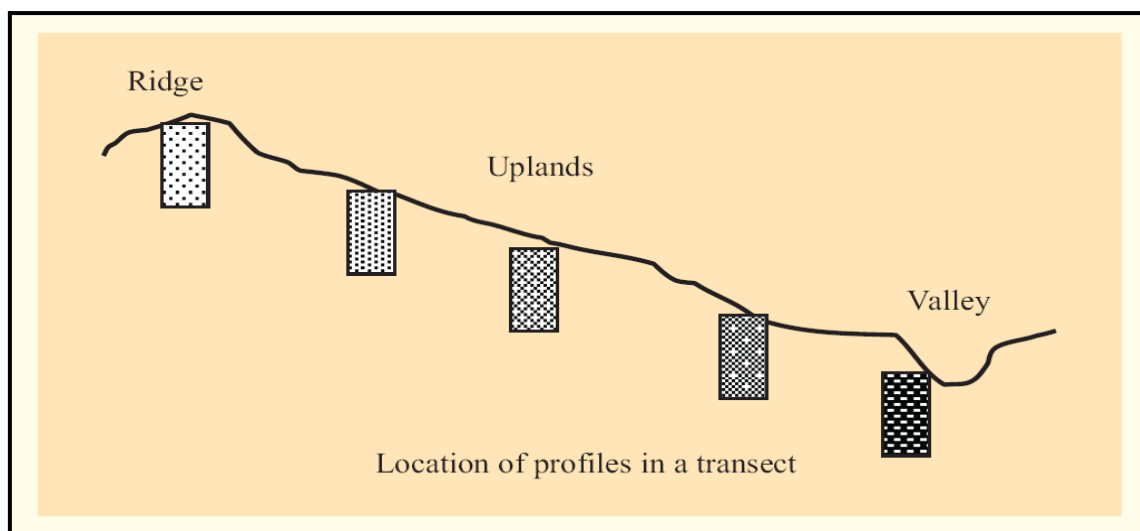


Fig: 3.4. Location of profiles in a transect

In the selected transect, soil profiles were located (Fig. 3.4) 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 upto 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 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, calcareousness, 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 the soil series are given in Table 3.1. Based on the above characteristics, 8 soil series were identified in the Saidapur microwatershed.

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

<b>Soils of Granite gneiss Landscape</b>							
<b>Sl. no</b>	<b>Soil Series</b>	<b>Depth (cm)</b>	<b>Colour (moist)</b>	<b>Texture</b>	<b>Gravel (%)</b>	<b>Horizon sequence</b>	<b>Calcareousness</b>
<b>Soil of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape</b>							
1	BDL (Badiyala)	25-50	7.5YR 2.5/3,2.5/2,3/3 10YR 3/4,4/3	sl	-	Ap-Bw	e
2	JNK (Jinkera)	50-75	10YR 3/1,3/2 7.5YR3/4	scl	-	Ap-Bw	e
3	YLR (Yalleri)	50-75	2.5YR 3/4,4/4 5YR3/4 7.5YR4/4	c	15-35	Ap-Bt	-
4	MDG (Mundargi)	100-150	10YR 4/4,3/3 7.5YR4/4	scl	-	Ap-Bw	-
<b>Soil of Alluvial Landscape</b>							
5	RMP (Rampur)	50-75	10YR3/1,5/4	scl	-	Ap-Bt	-
6	RHN (Rachanalli)	75-100	10YR 3/2,4/3	scl	-	Ap-Bw	e
7	KDR (Kudlura)	100-150	10YR 3/1,3/2,4/1,5/2	c	-	Ap-Bw	es
8	MYP (Mylapura)	>150	10YR 3/1,3/2,4/3	scl	-	Ap-Bw	es

### 3.4 Soil Mapping

The area under each soil series was further separated into 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.3.5) in the form of symbols. During the survey many soil profile pits, few minipits and a few auger bores representing different landforms occurring in the microwatershed were studied. 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 18 mapping units representing 8soil 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 18soilphases 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 have to be treated accordingly.



### 3.5 Land Management Units (LMU's)

The 18 soil phases identified and mapped in the microwatershed were grouped into 4 Land Management Units (LMU'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 Management Units (LMU'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 LMUs. For Saidapur microwatershed, five soil and site characteristics, namely soil depth, soil texture, slope, erosion and gravel content have been considered for defining LMUs. The Land Management Units are expected to behave similarly for a given level of management.

### 3.6 Laboratory Characterization

Soil samples for each soil series 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 from farmer's fields (52 samples) for fertility status (major and micronutrients) at 250 m grid interval in the year 2017 were analyzed in the laboratory (Katyal and Rattan, 2003). By linking the soil fertility data to the survey numbers through GIS, soil fertility maps were generated by using Kriging method for the microwatershed.

**Table 3.2 Soil map unit description of Saidapur Microwatershed**

Soil Map unit No.	Soil Series	Soil Phase	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
Soils of Granite Gneiss Landscape				
	BDL	Badiyala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark brown and dark yellowish brown, slightly calcareous sandy loam soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation		<b>46</b> <b>(8.07)</b>
4		BDLhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	46 (8.07)
	JNK	Jinkera soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark grayish brown, slightly calcareous sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation		<b>2</b> <b>(0.32)</b>
20		JNKcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	1 (0.15)
21		JNKcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	1 (0.12)
24		JNKiB3g1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	0 (0.05)
	YLR	Yalleri soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have brown to reddish brown and dark reddish brown, gravelly clay red soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation		<b>30</b> <b>(5.43)</b>
27		YLRbB2	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, moderate	21 (3.76)

			erosion	
28		YLRbB3	Loamy sand surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	4 (0.76)
31		YLRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	5 (0.91)
	MDG	Mundargi soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have brown to dark yellowish brown, sodic sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation		<b>12 (2.11)</b>
57		MDGcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	12 (2.11)
<b>Soils of Alluvial Landscape</b>				
	RMP	Rampur soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have yellowish brown to very dark gray, sandy clay loam alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>11 (1.9)</b>
71		RMPiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	11 (1.9)
	RHN	Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have brown to very dark grayish brown, slightly calcareous sodic sandy clay loam alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>227 (40.13)</b>
77		RHNcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	70 (12.36)
78		RHNcB3	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	26 (4.59)
79		RHNmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	131 (23.18)
	KDR	Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark grayish brown, calcareous sodic alluvial clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>190 (33.48)</b>
84		KDRcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	21 (3.64)
87		KDRiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	26 (4.53)
88		KDRiB3	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, severe erosion	7 (1.2)
89		KDRmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	136 (24.11)
	MYP	Mylapura soils are very deep (>150 cm), well drained, have brown to very dark grayish brown, calcareous sodic sandy clay loam alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>2 (0.33)</b>
98		MYPiB2g1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	2 (0.33)
999		Rock outcrops	Rock lands, both massive and bouldery	<b>8(1.43)</b>
1000		Others	Habitation and Water bodies	<b>38(6.78)</b>

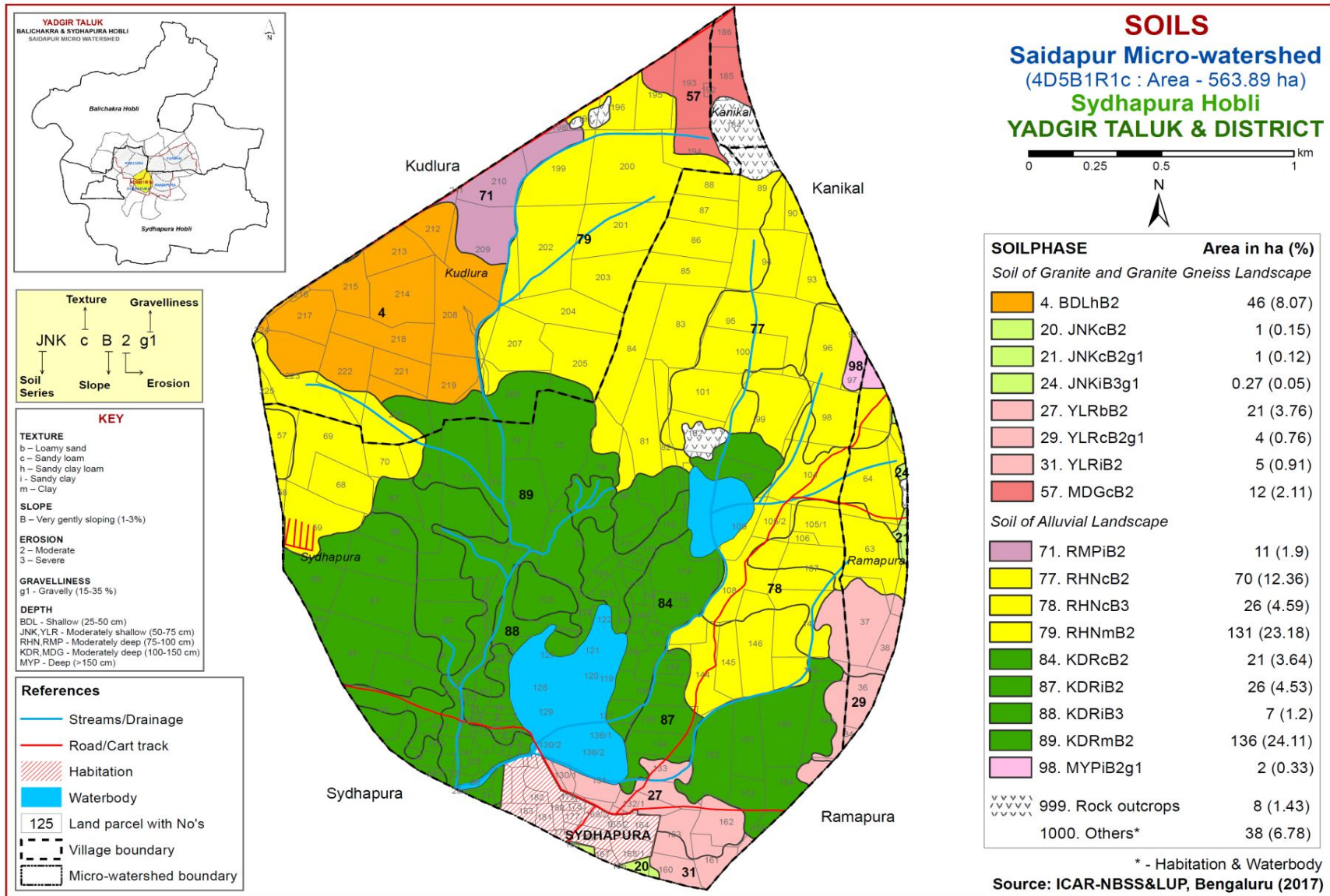


Fig 3.5 Soil Phase or Management Units map of Saidapur Microwatershed



## THE SOILS

Detailed information pertaining to the nature, extent and their distribution of different kinds of soils occurring in Saidapur microwatershed is provided in this chapter. The microwatershed area has been identified as granite gneiss and alluvial landscapes based on geology. In all, 8 soil series are identified. Soil formation is the result of the combined effect of environmental and terrain factors that are reflected in soil morphology. In these landscapes, it is by parent material, relief, time and climate.

A brief description of each of the 8 soil series identified followed by 18 soil phases (management units) mapped under each series are furnished below. The physical and chemical characteristics of soil series identified in Saidapur microwatershed are given in Table 4.1. The soils in any one map unit differ from place to place in their depth, texture, slope, gravelliness, erosion or any other site characteristic 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 gneiss landscape

In this landscape, 4 soil series are identified and mapped. Of these, BLD series occupies maximum area of 46 ha (8%) followed by YLR 30 ha (5%), MDG 12 ha (2%) and JNK 2 ha (<1%). Brief description of each series identified and number of soil phases mapped is given below.

**4.1.1 Badiyala (BDL) Series:** Badiyala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have very dark brown, dark yellow brown and dark brown, slightly calcareous sandy loam soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Badiyala series has been classified as a member of the coarse-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Fluventic Haplustepts.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 28 to 50 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 4 to 12 cm. Its colour is in 10YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 4. The texture is loamy sand, sandy clay loam and sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 27 to 45 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 3 to 4. Its texture is sandy loam to sandy clay loam and is slightly calcareous. The available water capacity is very low (<50mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.





Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Badiyala (BDL) Series

**4.1.2 Jinkera (JNK) Series:** Jinkera soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have very dark gray to very dark grayish brown and dark brown, slightly calcareous sandy clay loam soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Jinkera series has been classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustepts.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 51-75 cm. Thickness of A horizon ranges from 6 to 11 cm. Its colour is in hue 10 YR and 7.5 YR with value and chroma of 3 to 4. The texture varies from sandy loam to sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 53 to 66 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value and chroma of 2 to 4. The texture varies from sandy clay loam to sandy clay and is slightly calcareous. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Three phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Jinkera (JNK) Series

**4.1.3 Yalleri (YLR) Series:**Yalleri soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have very dark reddish brown to dark brown, gravelly clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Yalleri series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustalfs.

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 clay with gravel content of 15-35 per cent. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m).Three phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Yalleri (YLR) Series

**4.1.4 Mundargi (MDG) Series:** Mundargi soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, dark brown to dark yellowish brown, sodic sandy clay loam soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Mundargi series has been classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Fluventic Haplustepts.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 100 to 149 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 8 to 20 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 1 to 4. The texture ranges from sandy loam to sandy clay loam and sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 105 to 140 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 2 to 4. The texture varies from sandy loam to sandy clay loam and sandy clay and is sodic soils. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m).Only one phase was identified and mapped.





Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Mundargi (MDG) Series

#### 4.2 Soils of Alluvial landscape

In this landscape, 4 soil series are identified and mapped. Of these RHN series occupies maximum area of 227ha (40%) followed by KDR190 ha (33%), RMP 11 ha (2%) and MYP2 ha (<1%). Brief description of each series identified and number of soil phases mapped is given below.

**4.2.1 Rampur (RMP) Series:** Rampur soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have very dark to yellowish brown, sandy clay loam soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation. The Rampur series has been classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 53 to 75 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 6 to 12 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value 4 to 5 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture is sandy loam to sandy clay loam. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 48 to 65 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 3 to 5 and chroma 1 to 6. Its texture is sandy clay loam to sandy clay. The available water capacity is medium (101-150 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.





Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Rampura (RMP) Series

**4.2.2 Rachanalli (RHN) Series:** Rachanalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have very dark grayish brown to dark brown, slightly calcareous sodic sandy clay loam soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on very gently sloping plains under cultivation. The Rachanalli series has been classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustepts.

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 varies from sandy loam to sandy clay loam and is slightly calcareous sodic soils. The available water capacity is medium (101-150 mm/m). Three phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Rachanalli (RHN) Series

**4.2.3 Kudlura (KDR) Series:** Kudlura soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark gray to grayish brown, calcareous sodic cracking clay soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation. The Kudlura series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed(calcareous), isohyperthermic family of Fluventic Haplustepts.

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 soils. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Four phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Kudlura (KDR) Series

**4.2.4 Mylapura (MYP) Series:** Mylapura soils are very deep (>150 cm), well drained, have very dark gray to dark grayish brown and dark brown, calcareous sodic sandy clay loam soils. They are developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation. The Mylapura series has been classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, calcareous, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustepts.

The thickness of the solum is more than 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 5 to 14 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 5 and chroma 2. The texture is sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon is 155 to 179 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 5 and chroma 1 to 3. Texture varies from clay loam to sandy clay loam and is calcareous sodic soils. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.





Landscape and Soil Profile characteristics of Mylapura (MYP) Series

**Table: 4.1 Physical and Chemical Characteristics of Soil Series identified in Saidapur microwatershed**

**Soil Series:** Badiyala (BDL) **Pedon:** R-5

**Location:** 16°37'10.0"N 77°20'21.5", Gudalagunta village, Balichakra hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Coarse-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic, Fluventic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-12	Ap	87.13	7.04	5.83	10.03	24.32	23.61	23.51	5.67	<15	ls	6.27	2.44
12-28	Bw1	64.63	13.30	22.07	6.74	13.07	22.30	17.01	5.50	<15	scl	16.34	7.83
28-52	BC	73.11	12.02	14.87	3.93	16.03	26.89	18.41	7.86	<15	sl	12.94	5.47

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5)	O.C.	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation	ESP
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl	dS m <sup>-1</sup>	%	%	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
							cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>								
0-12	6.20	-	-	0.074	1.00	0.00	2.80	0.98	0.14	0.01	3.92	4.20	0.72	93	0.20
12-28	9.04	-	-	0.253	0.80	3.20	-	-	0.16	0.69	-	16.90	0.77	100	4.09
28-52	9.41	-	-	0.364	1.10	3.60	-	-	0.16	1.39	-	11.10	0.75	100	12.52

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**Soil Series:** Jinkera (JNK) **Pedon:** R-1

**Location:** 16°45'13.5"N 77°10'59.8"E, Varkanahalli village, Yadgir hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-15	Ap	66.84	13.62	19.54	12.15	21.22	11.23	12.56	9.68	10	sl	14.42	7.70
15-38	Bw1	59.08	12.11	28.81	12.53	12.42	17.85	8.77	7.52	20	scl	18.21	12.23
38-50	Bw2	68.21	11.68	20.11	17.90	21.81	10.60	10.80	7.10	10	scl	14.54	8.96

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5)	O.C.	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation	ESP
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl	dS m <sup>-1</sup>	%	%	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
							cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>					%		%	
0-15	8.42	-	-	0.148	0.70	0.65	-	-	0.15	0.03	-	14.50	0.74	100	0.18
15-38	8.38	-	-	0.226	0.31	2.21	-	-	0.09	0.23	-	21.70	0.75	100	1.05
38-50	8.40	-	-	0.195	0.25	1.17	-	-	0.07	0.19	-	15.90	0.79	100	1.23

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**Soil Series:** Yalleri (YLR) **Pedon:** R-16

**Location:** 16°32'54.3"N 77°22'71.2"E, Duppalli village, Sydhapura hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Haplustalfs

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-5	Ap	81.69	5.44	12.87	6.10	8.65	33.88	21.57	11.50	-	sl	8.60	3.37
5-34	Bt1	38.78	6.73	54.49	3.38	9.91	12.42	8.93	4.14	-	c	25.33	15.82
34-75	Bt2	40.35	2.90	56.75	12.91	6.83	10.30	7.48	2.82	35-60	c	24.49	16.20

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5) dS m <sup>-1</sup>	O.C. %	CaCO <sub>3</sub> %	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation %	ESP %
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
0-5	6.91	-	-	0.069	0.70	0.00	5.29	1.37	0.28	0.03	6.96	6.90	0.54	100	0.45
5-34	7.05	-	-	0.053	0.62	0.00	16.43	3.89	0.26	0.09	20.67	21.60	0.40	96	0.42
34-75	7.25	-	-	0.058	0.59	0.00	15.22	3.46	0.25	0.14	19.06	19.90	0.35	96	0.69

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**Soil Series:**Mundargi (MDG) **Pedon:** R-2

**Location:** 16°46'82.4"N 77°04'85.2"E, Thumakura village, Yadgir hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine-Loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic Fluventic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-9	Ap	81.23	12.97	5.80	4.84	10.19	14.83	37.94	13.42	<15	ls	11.75	3.31
9-20	A2	76.82	16.19	6.98	4.96	10.12	20.75	27.53	13.46	-	ls	14.52	3.99
20-46	Bw1	42.43	17.43	40.15	2.26	5.59	11.49	14.93	8.16	-	c	34.90	21.14
46-90	Bw2	54.51	16.56	28.93	4.72	5.03	19.92	16.67	8.18	-	scl	36.73	18.88
90-110	Bw3	53.69	11.00	35.30	9.57	9.89	16.23	13.01	4.99	-	sc	38.72	20.53

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5) dS m <sup>-1</sup>	O.C. %	CaCO <sub>3</sub> %	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation %	ESP %
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
0-9	8.2	-	-	0.399	0.44	0.78	-	-	0.16	0.38	-	4.90	0.84	100	7.69
9-20	8.44	-	-	0.075	0.29	1.82	-	-	0.05	0.35	-	4.90	0.70	100	7.20
20-46	9.39	-	-	0.451	0.32	2.73	-	-	0.12	5.22	-	20.77	0.52	100	25.15
46-90	9.75	-	-	0.616	0.24	3.25	-	-	0.12	5.72	-	16.56	0.57	100	34.55
90-110	9.72	-	-	0.725	0.24	3.64	-	-	0.14	6.84	-	19.76	0.56	100	34.59

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**Soil Series:** Rampura (RMP) **Pedon:** T1/P1

**Location:** 16°33'54.7"N 77°20'45.1"E, Sowrashtralli village, Sydhapura hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Haplustalfs

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-7	Ap	93.37	4.32	2.31	18.39	21.91	24.62	19.90	8.54	-	s	3.89	1.01
7-28	A2	83.08	7.65	9.26	14.60	18.23	21.75	20.85	7.65	-	ls	6.25	1.94
28-70	Bt1	61.88	6.38	31.74	19.17	13.54	14.17	12.29	2.71	-	scl	15.95	8.69

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5)	O.C.	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation	ESP
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
				dS m <sup>-1</sup>	%	%	cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>						%	%	
0-7	5.97	-	-	0.04	0.34	0.00	0.70	0.18	0.06	0.01	0.95	1.70	0.74	56	0.77
7-28	6.06	-	-	0.03	0.26	0.00	1.83	0.53	0.07	0.05	2.48	3.30	0.36	75	1.58
28-70	6.65	-	-	0.20	0.26	0.00	7.05	3.19	0.15	0.95	11.34	13.00	0.41	87	7.31

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**Soil Series:** Rachanalli (RHN) **Pedon:** R-2

**Location:** 16°44'40.9"N 77°17'35.0"E, Gopalpura village, Gurumitkal hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-8	Ap	77.72	14.09	8.19	6.31	13.12	18.82	27.16	12.31	-	sl	10.76	3.53
8-43	Bw1	76.00	10.38	13.62	13.29	17.92	16.99	20.60	7.21	-	sl	21.48	7.91
43-87	Bw2	52.64	19.95	27.41	2.69	4.66	16.79	16.89	11.61	-	scl	40.80	16.55

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5)	O.C.	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation	ESP			
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				dS m <sup>-1</sup>	%	%	Ca	Mg					K	Na	Total
										cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>								
0-8	8.16	-	-	0.22	0.38	1.20	5.43	2.49	0.16	0.79	8.87	8.99	1.10	99	8.81			
8-43	9.63	-	-	0.26	0.19	0.60	6.25	4.72	0.09	4.31	15.37	14.66	1.08	105	29.43			
43-87	10.09	-	-	1.01	0.15	5.76	-	-	0.21	11.77	-	24.08	0.88	100	48.87			

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**Soil Series:**Kudlura (KDR) **Pedon:** T<sub>1</sub>/P<sub>2</sub>

**Location:** 16°34'03.1"N 77°14'71.7"E, Kyathanala village, Sydhapura Hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine, mixed(calcareous), isohyperthermic Fluventic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-6	Ap	49.52	14.58	35.90	5.71	7.41	14.81	15.66	5.93	-	sc	26.86	12.10
6-26	BA	50.79	13.31	35.90	7.41	9.10	15.56	13.12	5.61	-	sc	25.65	12.24
26-67	Bw1	43.49	15.97	40.54	5.86	7.38	13.56	10.85	5.86	-	c	31.22	16.48
67-115	Bw2	37.42	18.93	43.66	6.51	6.83	10.95	8.68	4.45	-	c	36.13	22.34
115-144	Bw3	39.74	18.88	41.38	8.16	7.84	10.63	8.70	4.40	-	c	35.83	20.57

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5) dS m <sup>-1</sup>	O.C. %	CaCO <sub>3</sub> %	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation %	ESP %
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
0-6	8.34	-	-	0.15	0.72	3.55	-	-	0.42	0.07	-	33.20	0.92	100	0.22
6-26	8.55	-	-	0.11	0.85	4.90	-	-	0.33	0.25	-	32.70	0.91	100	0.76
26-67	9.08	-	-	0.17	0.60	5.02	-	-	0.18	1.34	-	36.20	0.89	100	3.69
67-115	9.44	-	-	0.37	0.52	6.61	-	-	0.25	6.72	-	39.30	0.90	100	17.09
115-144	9.53	-	-	0.43	0.56	6.10	-	-	0.26	7.85	-	33.70	0.81	100	23.29

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**Soil Series:** Mylapura (MYP)**Pedon:** R-6

**Location:** 16°30'88.3"N 77°19'97.1"E, Kadechoora village, Sydhapura hobli, Yadgir taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine-loamy, mixed(calcareous), isohyperthermic Typic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-18	Ap	54.46	22.28	23.26	6.02	8.61	12.86	15.66	11.31	-	scl	25.10	10.20
18-48	Bw1	52.88	21.23	25.89	5.13	4.19	17.49	14.87	11.20	-	scl	25.77	11.29
48-80	Bw2	47.20	24.81	27.99	3.28	6.35	12.28	15.45	9.84	-	scl	35.44	14.47
80-120	Bw3	46.88	22.15	30.97	2.53	6.97	12.67	15.95	8.76	-	scl	31.08	13.41
120-148	Bw4	40.97	20.70	38.33	0.75	1.18	12.47	12.69	13.87	-	cl	36.39	16.71
148-180	Bw5	41.71	18.93	39.36	0.86	3.96	12.62	17.75	6.52	-	cl	39.85	17.56

Depth (cm)	pH (1:2.5)			E.C. (1:2.5)	O.C.	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Exchangeable bases					CEC	CEC/Clay	Base saturation	ESP
	Water	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	M KCl				Ca	Mg	K	Na	Total				
				dS m <sup>-1</sup>	%	%	cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>					%	%		
0-18	9.32	-	-	0.412	0.93	7.15	-	-	0.45	2.27	-	17.39	0.75	100	13.04
18-48	10.01	-	-	0.551	0.60	7.41	-	-	0.64	4.33	-	17.11	0.66	100	25.33
48-80	9.98	-	-	2.32	0.24	4.81	-	-	0.62	18.93	-	19.95	0.71	100	94.90
80-120	9.79	-	-	3.55	0.16	3.90	-	-	0.81	34.04	-	21.59	0.70	100	157.63
120-148	9.43	-	-	3.92	0.32	3.38	-	-	0.53	25.15	-	26.17	0.68	100	96.10
148-180	9.22	-	-	3.46	0.36	3.77	-	-	0.51	27.37	-	28.55	0.73	100	95.86



## 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, land irrigability, 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 interpretative and 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

*Soil Characteristics:* Depth, texture, gravelliness, calcareousness.

*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/alkalinity 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 18 soil map units identified in the Saidapur microwatershed are grouped under 2land capability classes and 2 subclasses. An area of 517 ha (92%) in the microwatershed is suitable for agriculture and about 47 ha (8%) is covered by rock outcrops and others (habitation and water bodies) (Fig. 5.1).

Good cultivable lands (Class II) cover an area of about 78per cent and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor problems of soil and erosion. Moderately good cultivable lands (Class III) cover an area of about 14per cent and are distributed in the central, northwestern and eastern part of the microwatershed with moderate problems of soil and erosion.

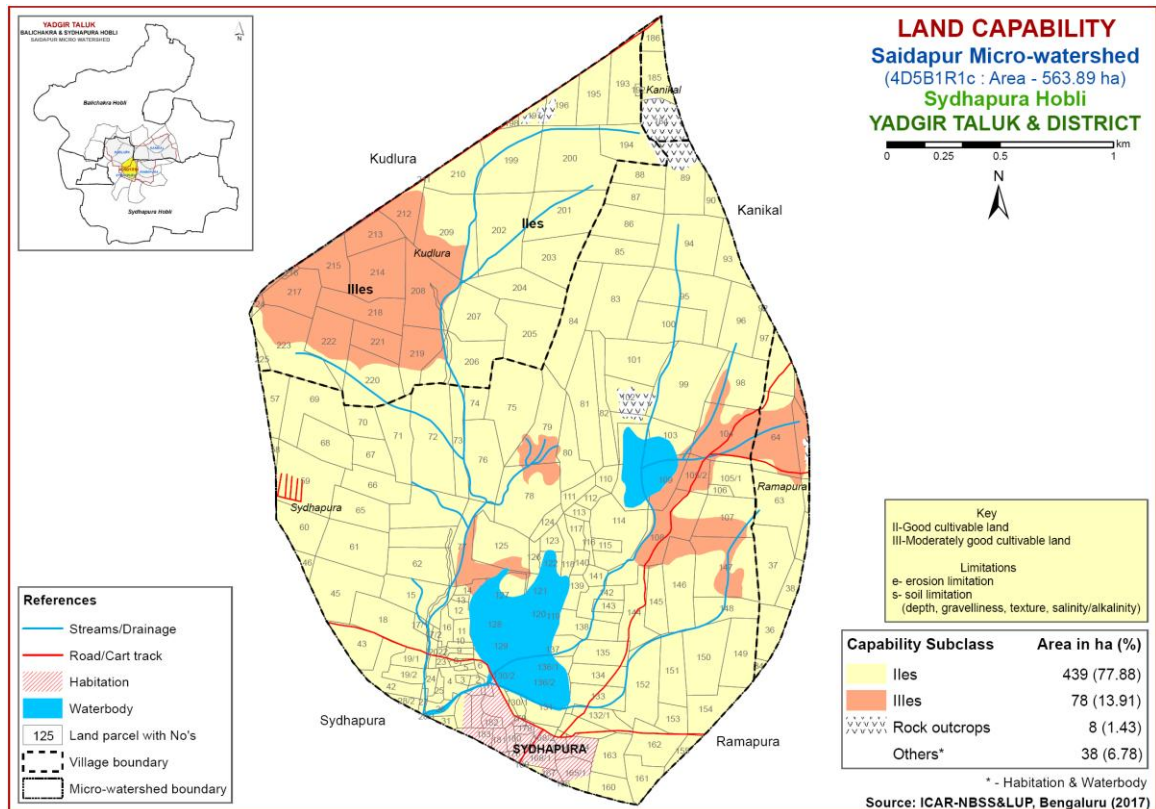


Fig. 5.1 Land Capability map of Saidapur Microwatershed

## 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 given in Fig. 5.2.

Shallow (25-50 cm) soils occur in an area of 46 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. Moderately shallow (50-75 cm) soils occupy an area of about 43 ha (8%) and are distributed in the central, northwestern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. Moderately deep (75-100 cm) soils occupy maximum area of 226 ha (40%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Deep (100-150 cm) soils occupy 201 ha (36%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Very deep (>150 cm) soils cover small area of 2 ha (<1%) and are distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed.

The most productive lands 203 ha (36%) with respect to soil rooting depth where all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown are deep to very deep

(100 to >150 cm depth) soils. The problem soils cover a small area of 46 ha where only short duration crops can be grown.

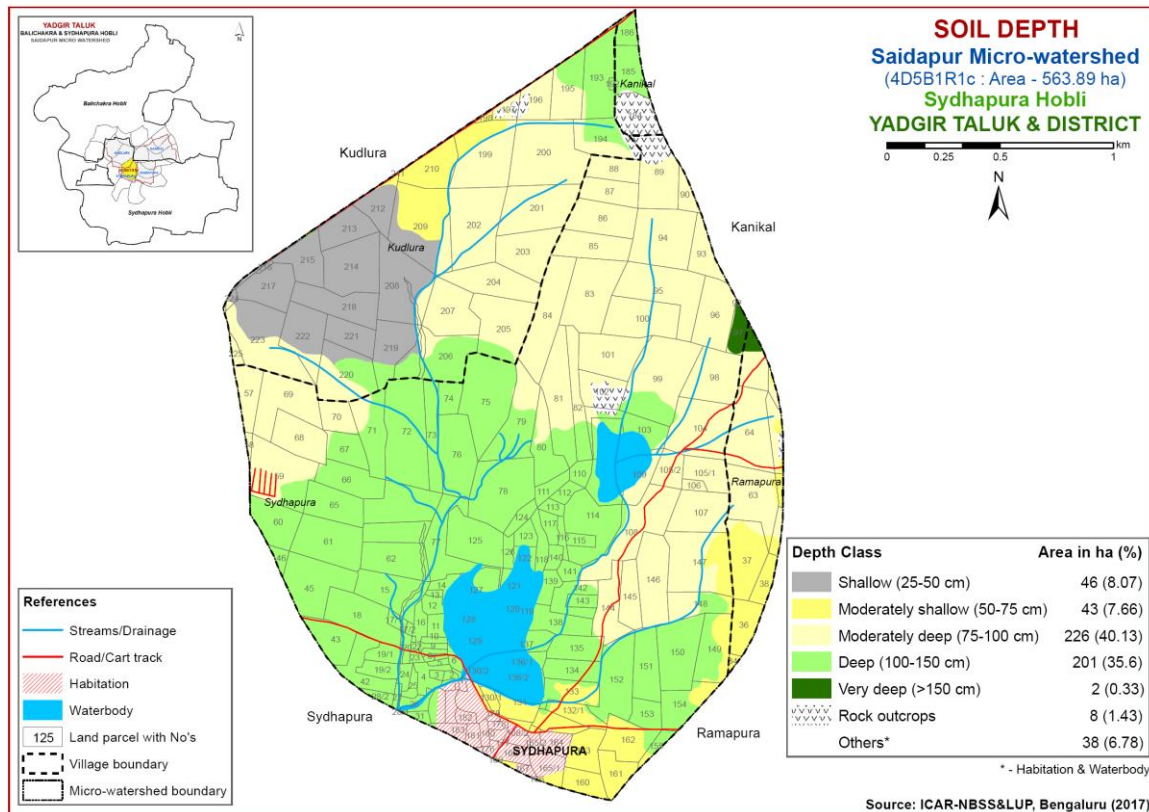


Fig. 5.2 Soil Depth map of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 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.

An area of about 21 ha (4%) has soils that are sandy at the surface and are distributed in the southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. An area of 180 ha (32%) is loamy at the surface and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 317ha (56%) has soils that are clayey at the surface and occur in the major part of the microwatershed.

Entire area has most productive lands with respect to surface soil texture except 4% lands, which has sandy texture at surface. The clayey soils (56%) have 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. The other productive lands are loamy soils (32%) which also have high potential for soil-water retention and nutrient availability but have no drainage or other physical problems.

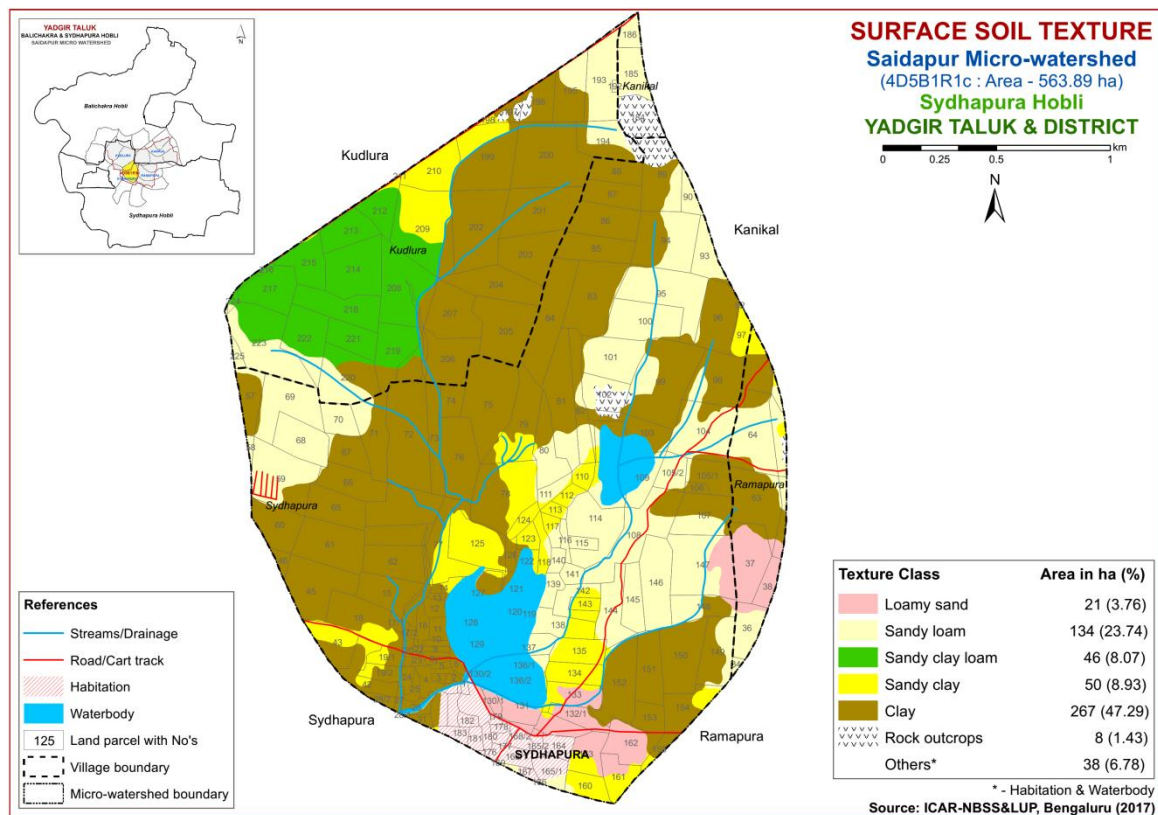


Fig. 5.3 Surface Soil Texture map of Saidapur Microwatershed

#### 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 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, intercultural 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 geographic distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Figure 5.4.

Non gravelly (<15%) soils cover maximum area of 510 ha (91%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. These are the most productive soils, where all climatically adapted short and long duration crops can be grown. Gravelly soils occupy very small area of 7 ha (1%) and are distributed in the eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed.

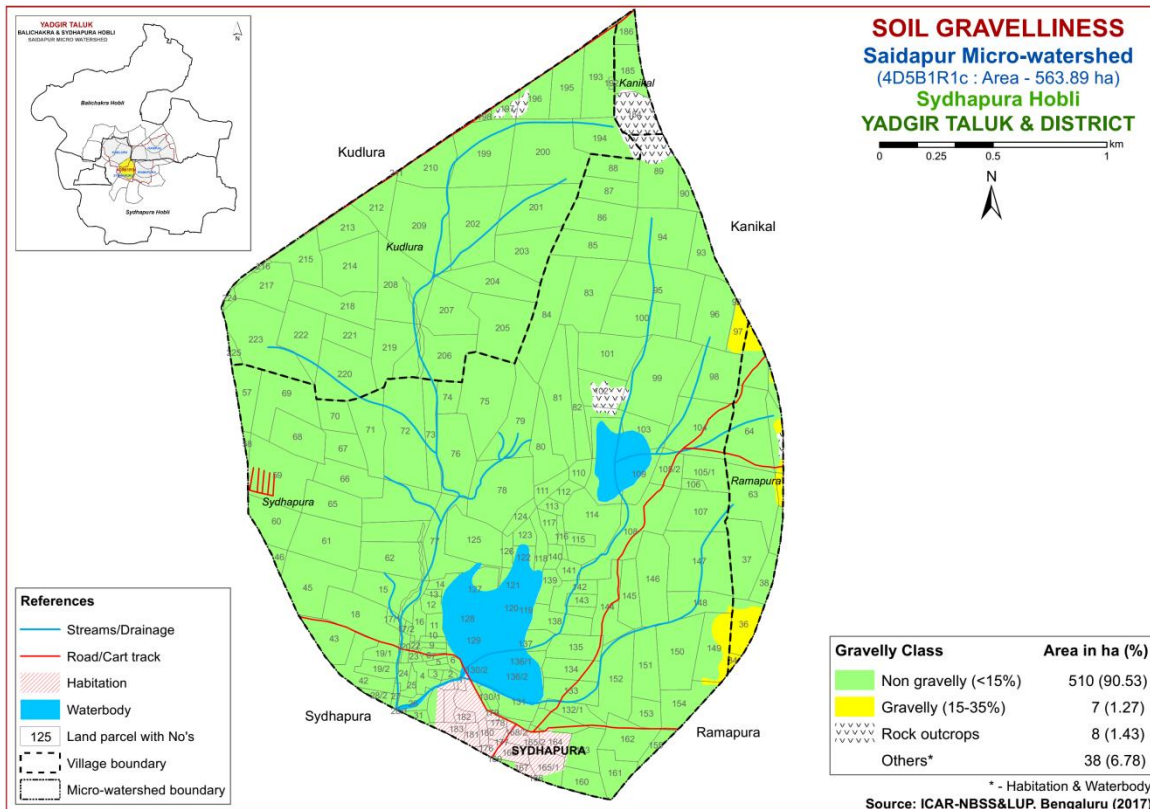


Fig. 5.4 Soil Gravelliness map of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 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 values, an AWC map was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different AWC classes in the microwatershed is given in Figure 5.5.

An area of about 46 ha (8%) in the microwatershed has soils that are very low (<50 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed, 32ha (6%) are low (51-100 mm/m) and are distributed in the southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 237ha (42%) is medium (101-150mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Very high (>200 mm/m) in 203 ha (36%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed.

About 78 ha (14%) area in the microwatershed has soils that are problematic with regard to available water capacity. Here, only short duration crops can be grown and the probability of crop failure is very high. These areas are best put to other alternative uses.

An area of 203 ha (36%) are potential areas with regard to AWC where all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown.

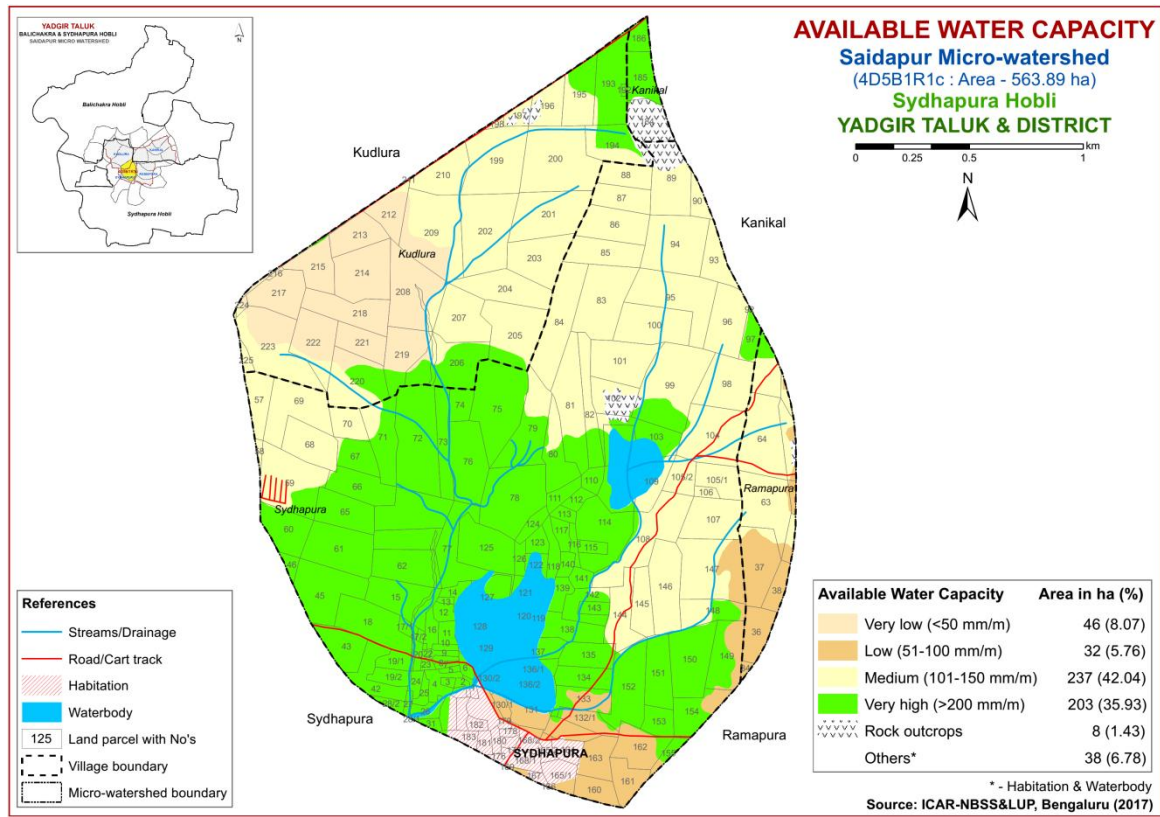


Fig. 5.5 Soil Available Water Capacity map of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 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 single slope class and a slope map was generated showing the area extent and their geographic distribution in the microwatershed (Fig. 5.6).

Entire area of the microwatershed falls under very gently sloping (1-3% slope) lands and 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.

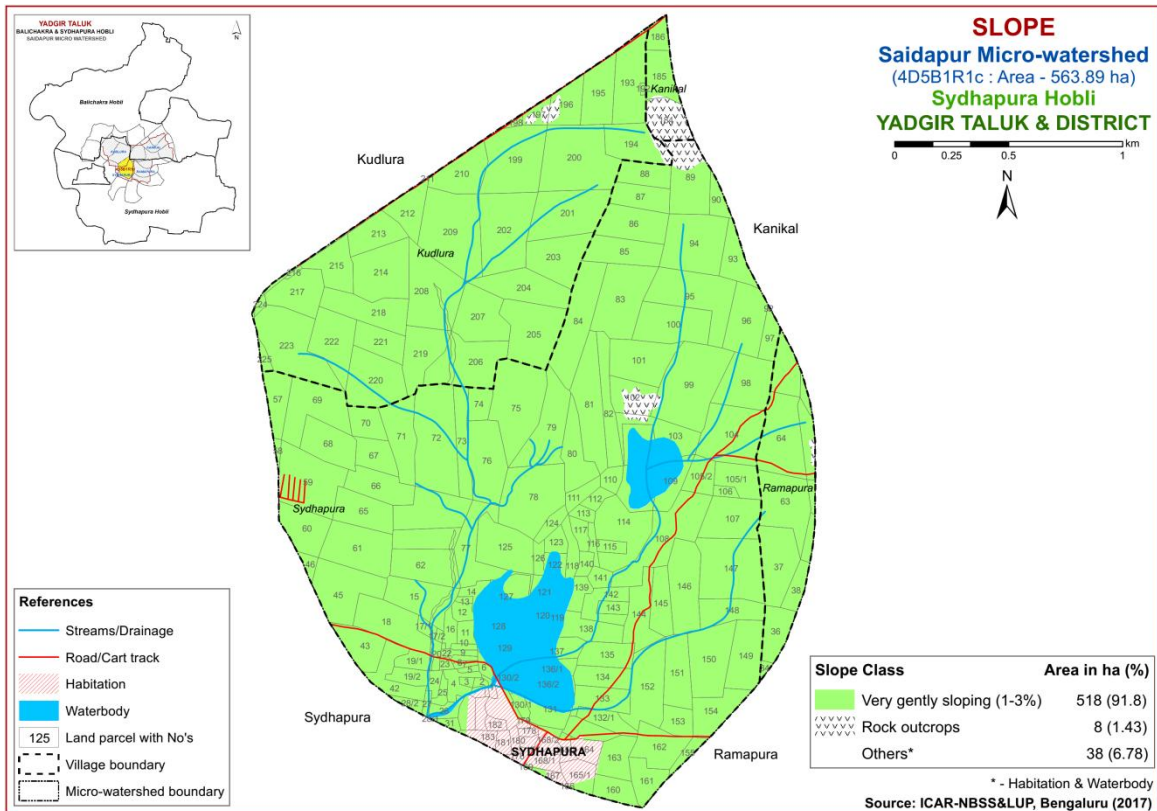


Fig. 5.6 Soil Slope map of Saidapur Microwatershed

## 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 generated. The area extent and their spatial distribution in the microwatershed is given in Figure 5.7.

Soils that are moderately eroded (e2 class) cover an area of 485 ha (86%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. Severely eroded soils cover an area of 33 ha (6%) and are distributed in the central and eastern part of the microwatershed.

Entire area in the microwatershed is problematic because of moderate and severe erosion. For these areas, taking up soil and water conservation and other land development measures are needed.



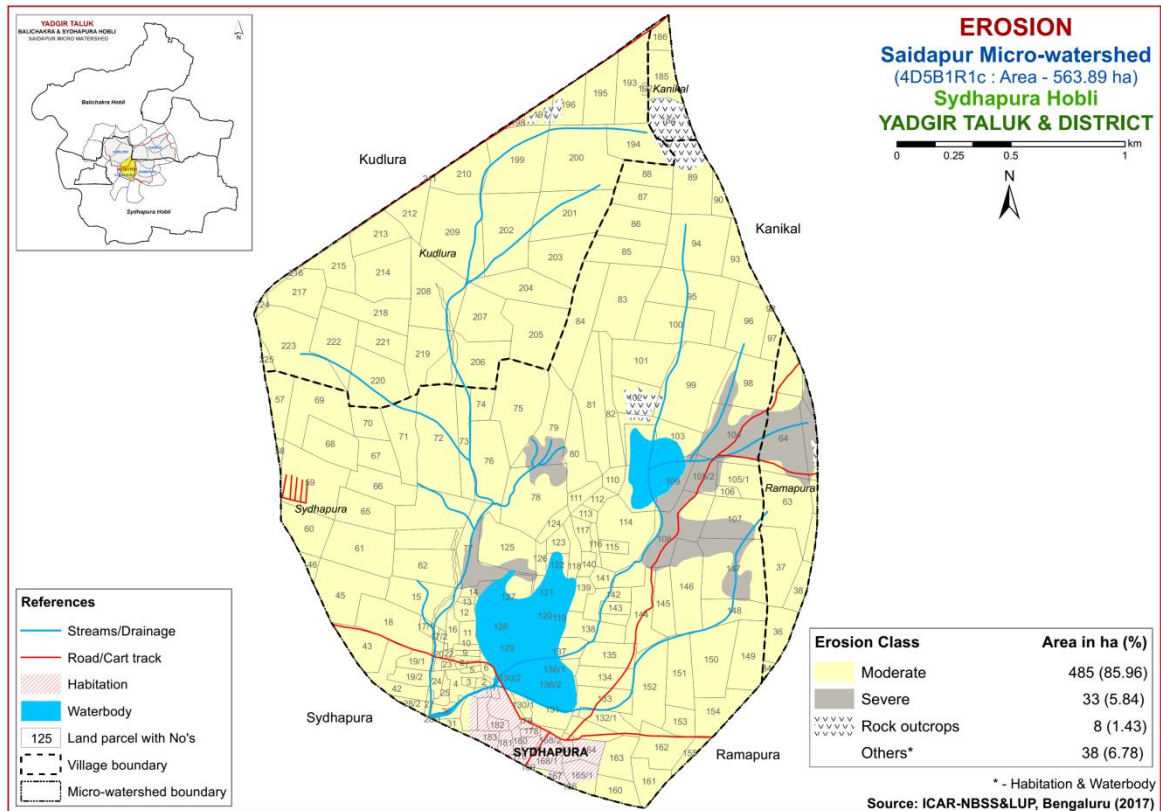


Fig. 5.7 Soil Erosion map of Saidapur Microwatershed



## 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 as these areas are characterised by low rainfall and high temperatures. 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 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, boron, 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 under GIS. The village/survey number wise fertility data for the microwatershed is given in Appendix-II.

### 6.1 Soil Reaction (pH)

The soil analysis of the Saidapur microwatershed for soil reaction (pH) showed that an area of about 50 ha (9%) is neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) and are distributed in the eastern, northern, northwestern and central part of the microwatershed. An area of about 143 ha (25%) is slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8) and are distributed in the central, southeastern, northwestern, western and southern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 236 ha (42%) are moderately alkaline (pH 7.8-8.4) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. 89 ha (16%) area is strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) and are distributed in the northeastern, central and southern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.1).

### 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 are non-saline.

### 6.3 Organic Carbon

The soil organic carbon content (an index of available Nitrogen) in the soils of the microwatershed is high ( $>0.75$ ) in maximum area of about 341ha (61%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed, medium (0.5-0.75%) covering an area of about 151ha (27%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed, whereas low ( $<0.5$ ) in a small area of about 25 ha (4%) area and are distributed in the southern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.3).

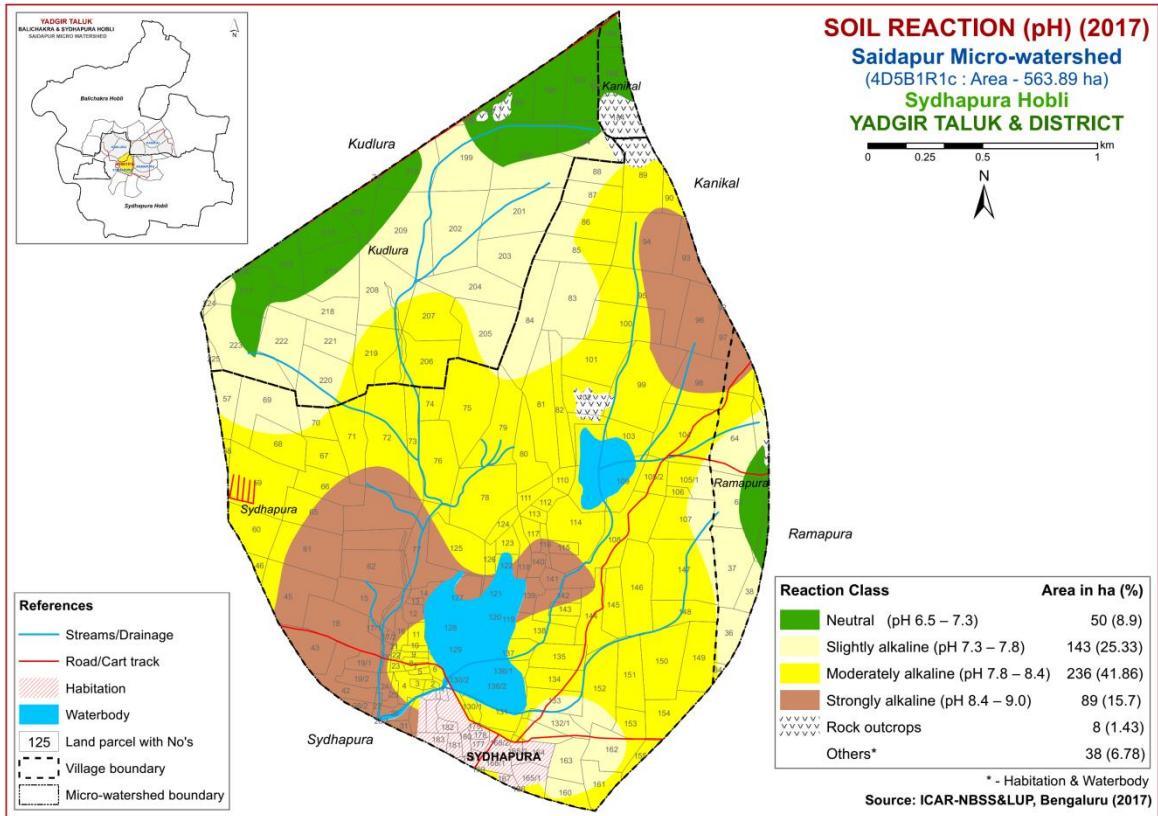


Fig.6.1 Soil Reaction (pH) map of Saidapur Microwatershed

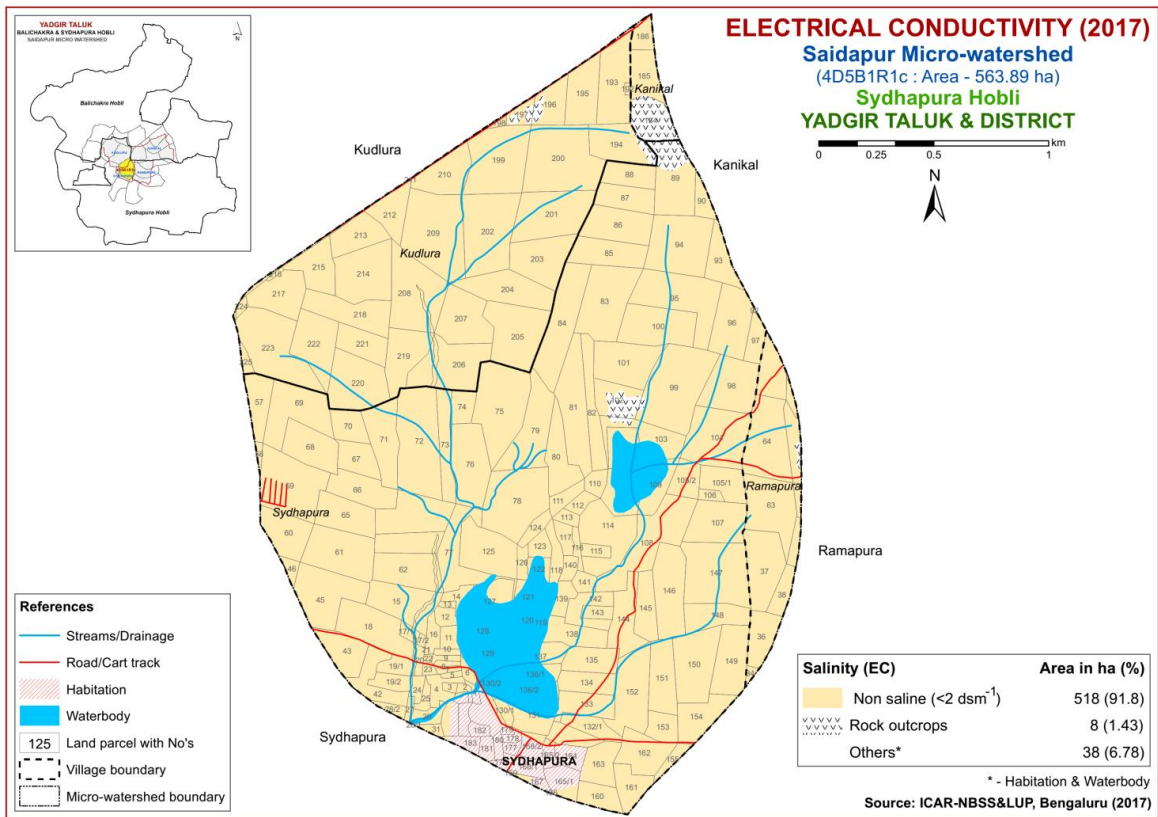


Fig.6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC) map of Saidapur Microwatershed



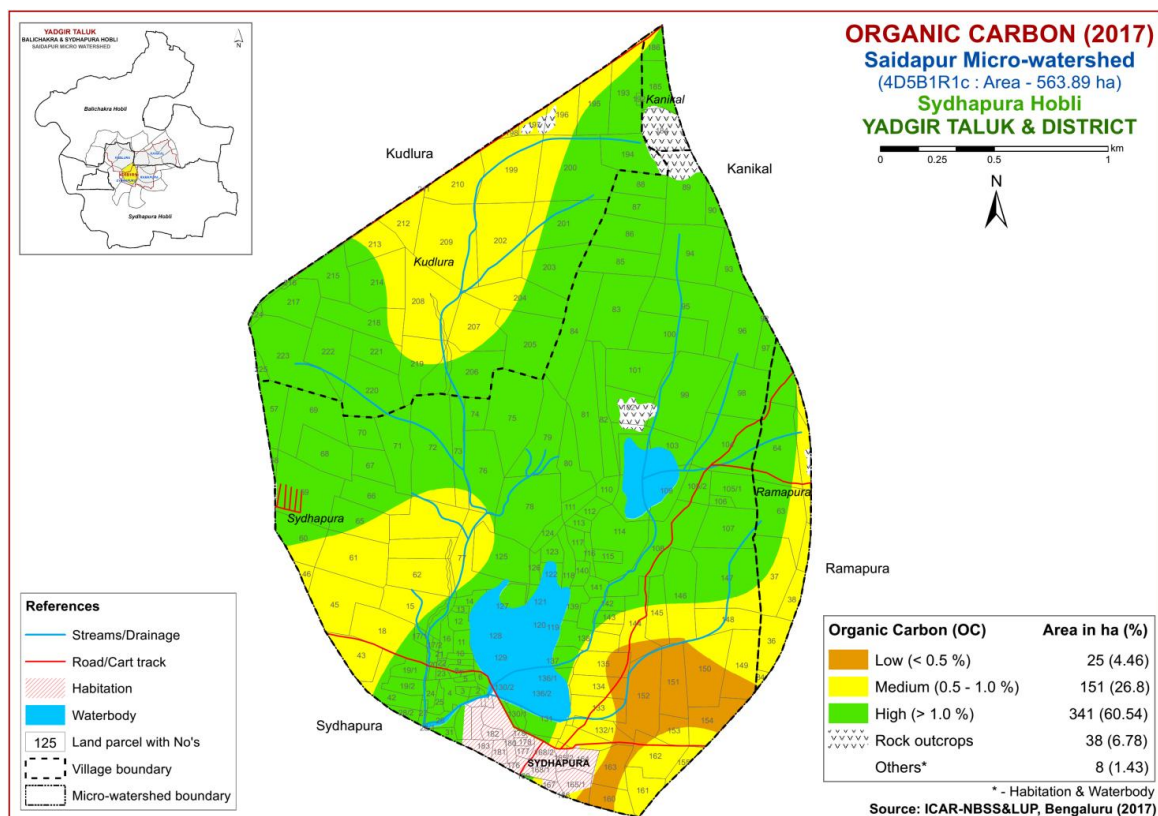


Fig.6.3 Soil Organic Carbon map of Saidapur Microwatershed

#### 6.4 Available Phosphorus

Available phosphorus content is low (<23 kg/ha) in an area 174 ha (31%) and are distributed in the western, southern, eastern, southeastern and central part of the microwatershed. Medium (23-57 kg/ha) in maximum area of about 256 ha (45%) and occur in all parts of the microwatershed and high (>57 kg/ha) in an area of about 88 ha (16%) and are distributed in the central, northwestern and northern part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.4).

#### 6.5 Available Potassium

Available potassium content is low in small area of 13 ha (2%) and are distributed in the eastern side of the microwatershed, medium (145-337 kg/ha) in maximum area of about 326ha (58%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.5). High (>337 kg/ha) in an area of 179ha (32%) and are distributed in the southern, western and central part of the microwatershed.

#### 6.6 Available Sulphur

Maximum area of about 289ha (51%) is low (<10ppm) in available sulphur content and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed and medium (10-20 ppm) in an area of about 229ha (41%) and are distributed in the southeastern, central southern, southwestern, western and northwestern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.6).

### 6.7 Available Boron

Available boron content is high (>1.0 ppm) in 94 ha (17%) and is distributed in the central, western and southwestern part of the microwatershed. Medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in maximum area of 340 ha (60%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of about 84 ha (15%) is low (<0.5 ppm) in available boron and are distributed in the central, northern and southeaster part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.7).

### 6.8 Available Iron

Available iron content is sufficient (>4.5 ppm) in the entire area 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).

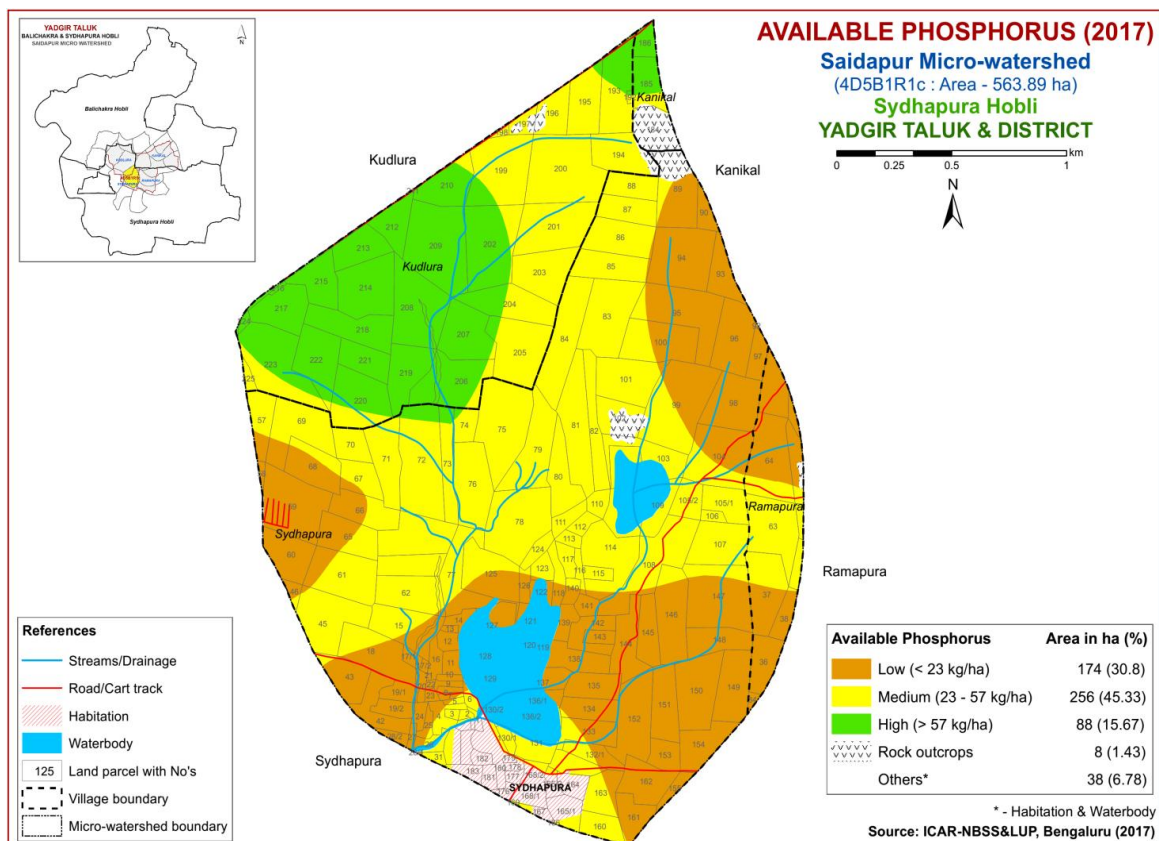


Fig.6.4 Soil Available Phosphorus map of Saidapur Microwatershed

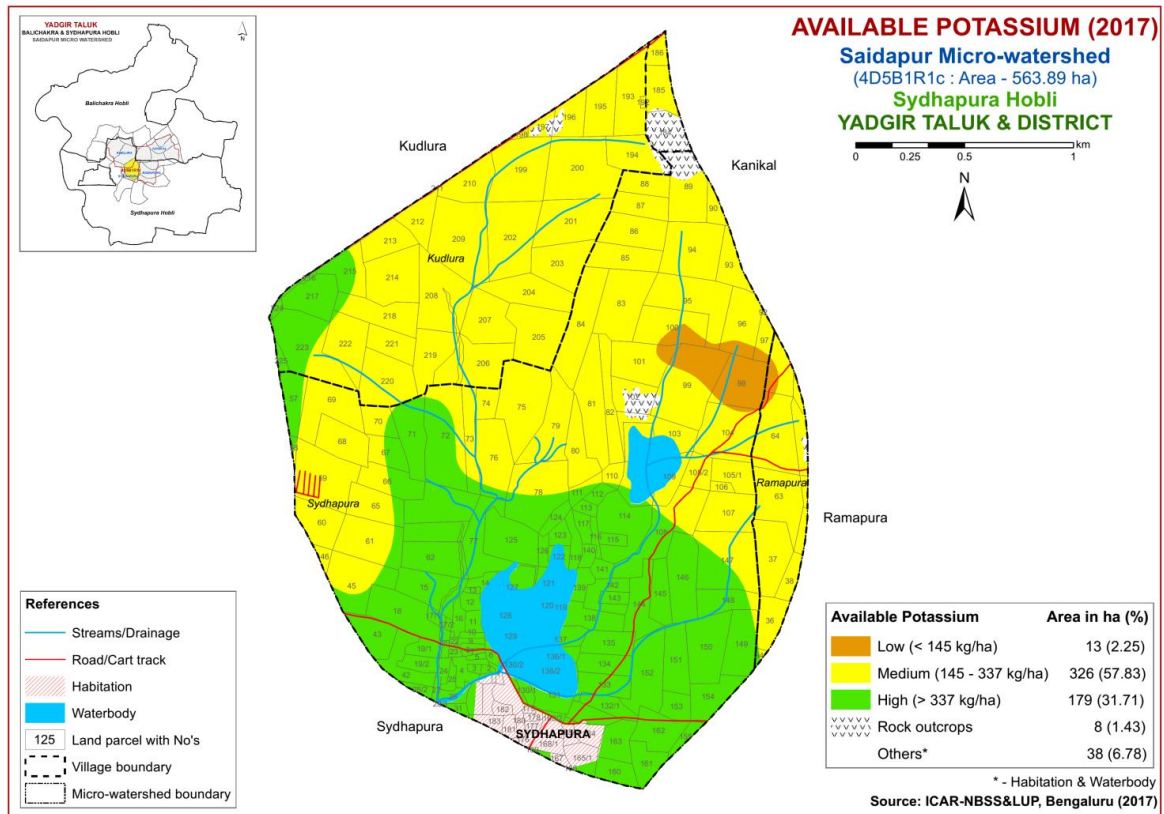


Fig.6.5 Soil Available Potassium map of Saidapur Microwatershed

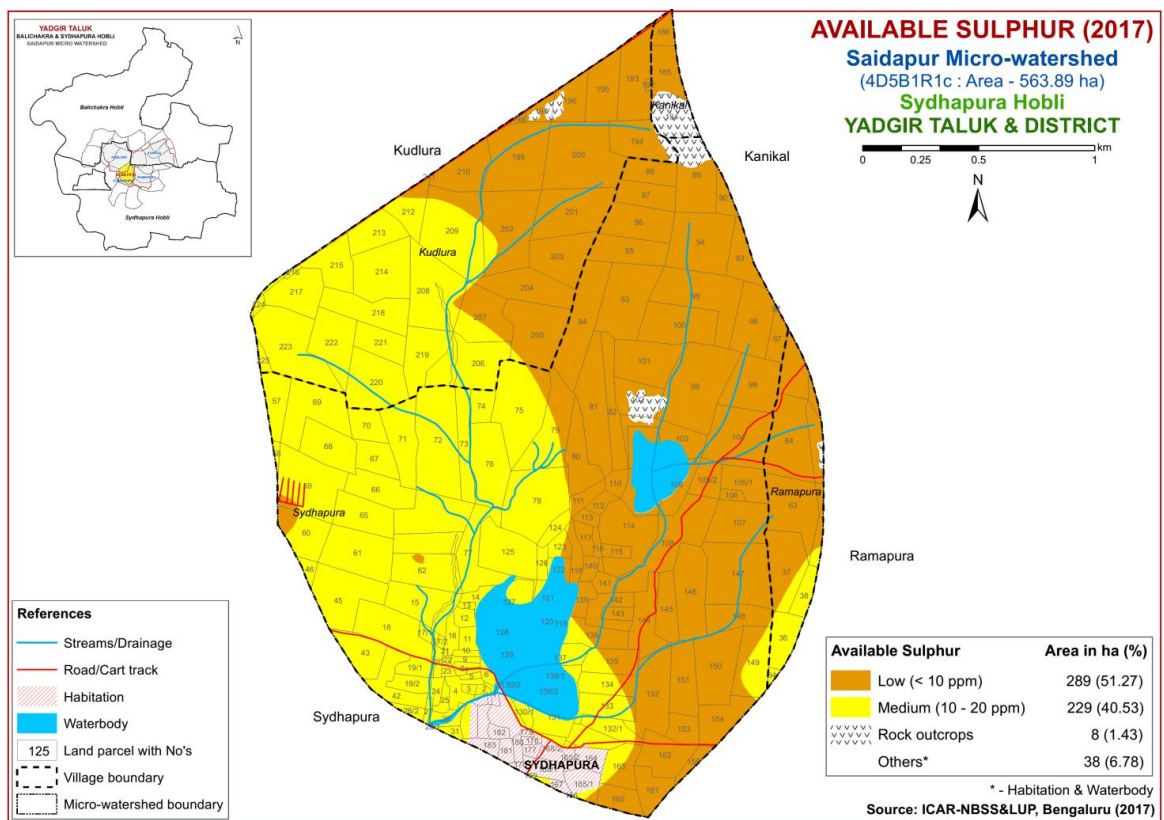


Fig.6.6 Soil Available Sulphur map of Saidapur Microwatershed



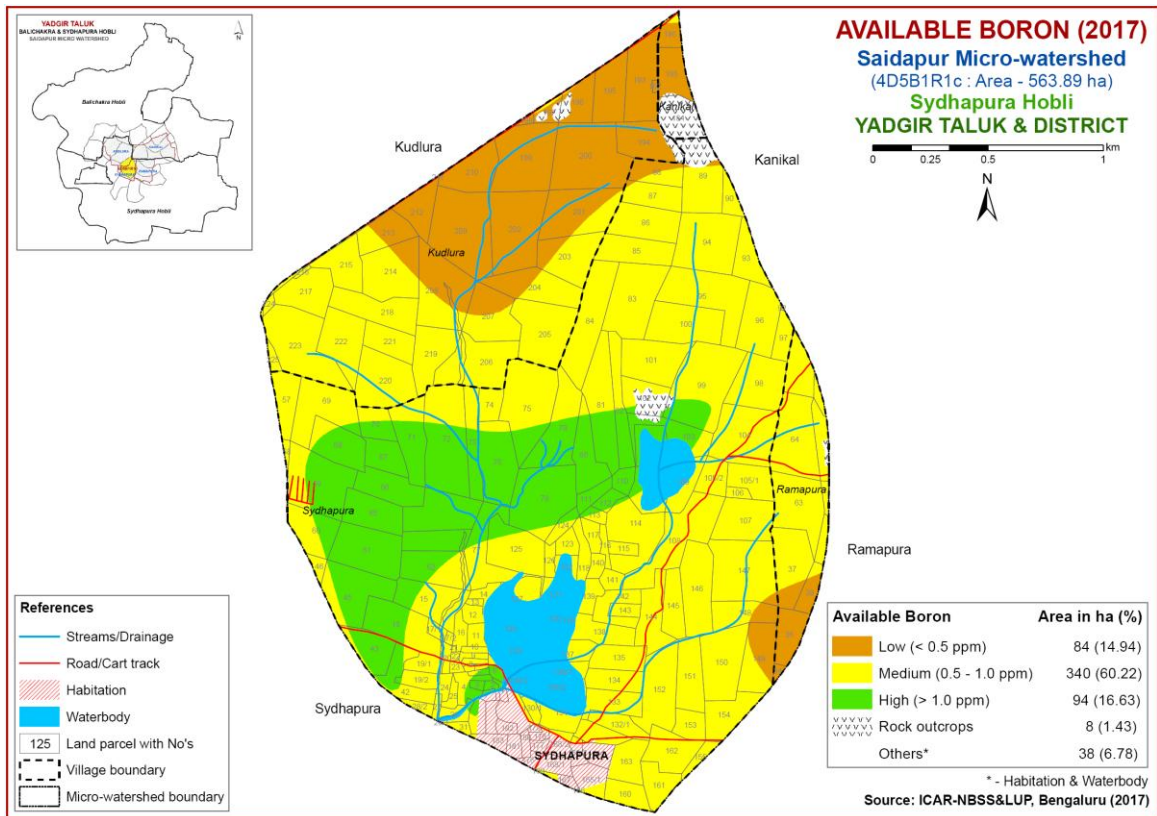


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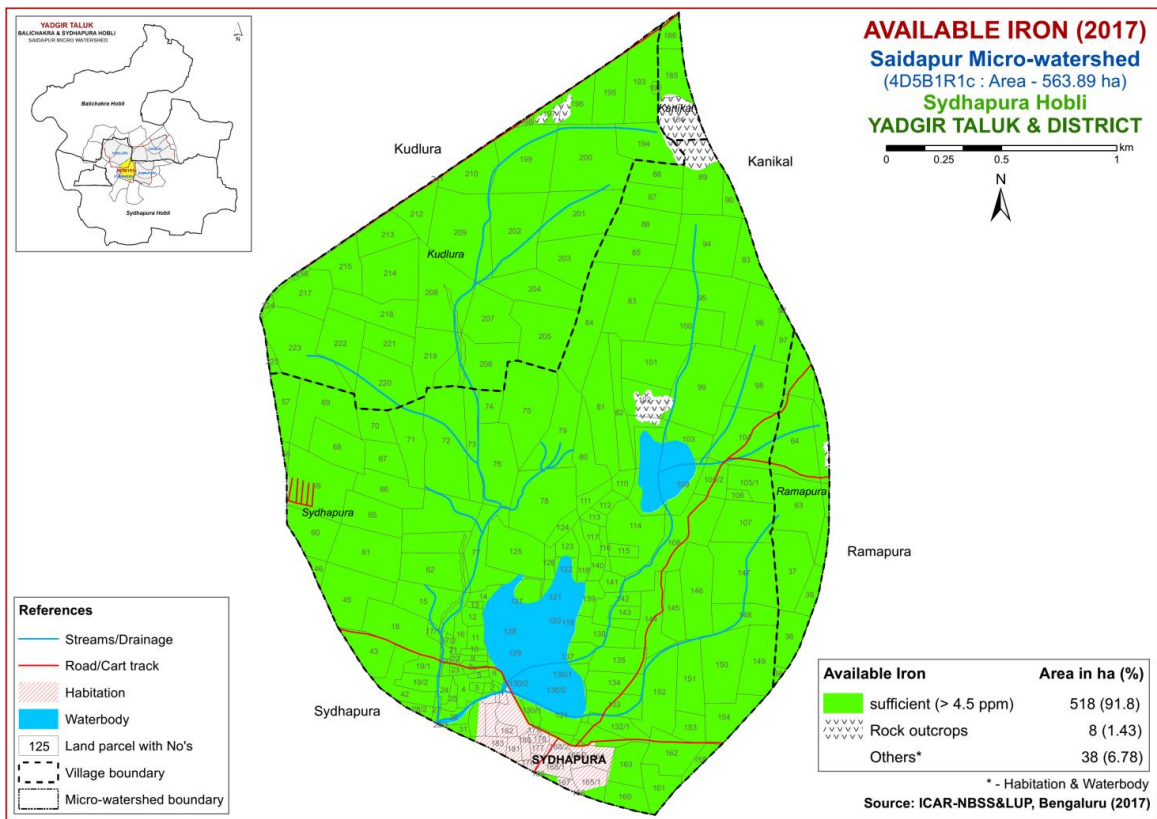


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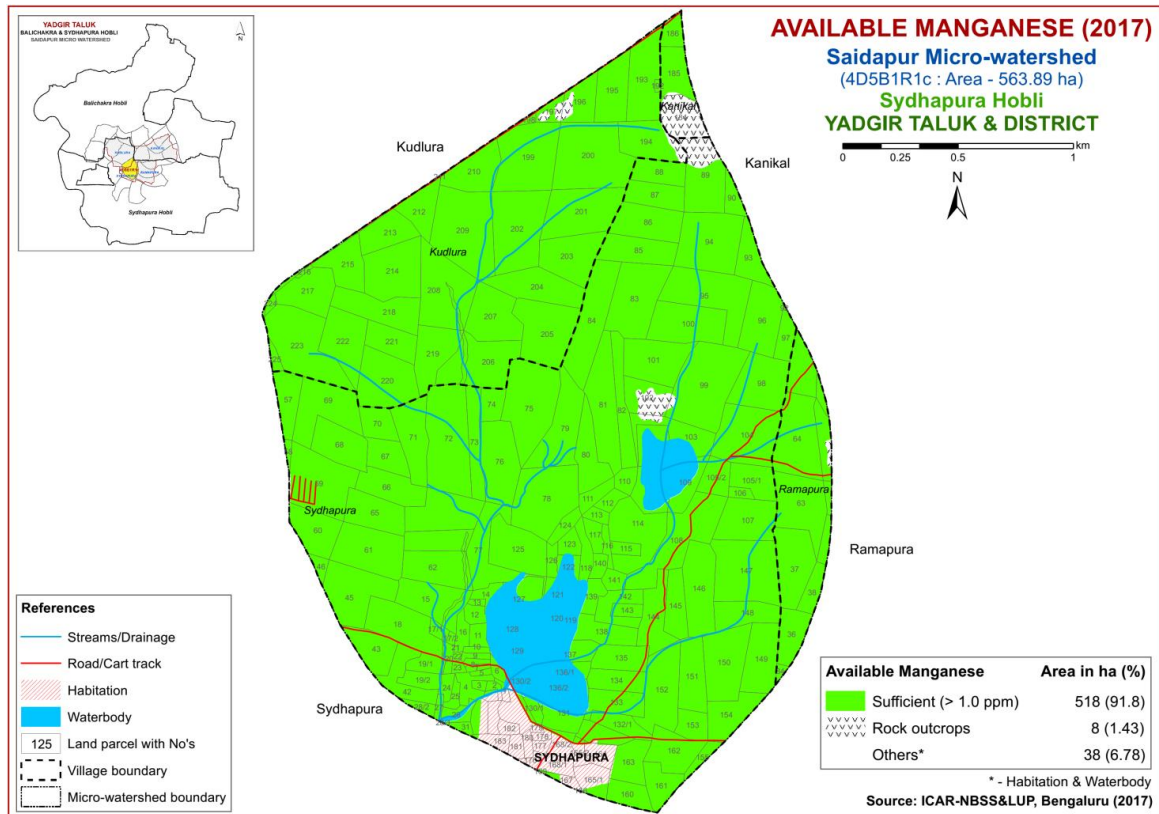


Fig.6.9 Soil Available Manganese map of Saidapur Microwatershed

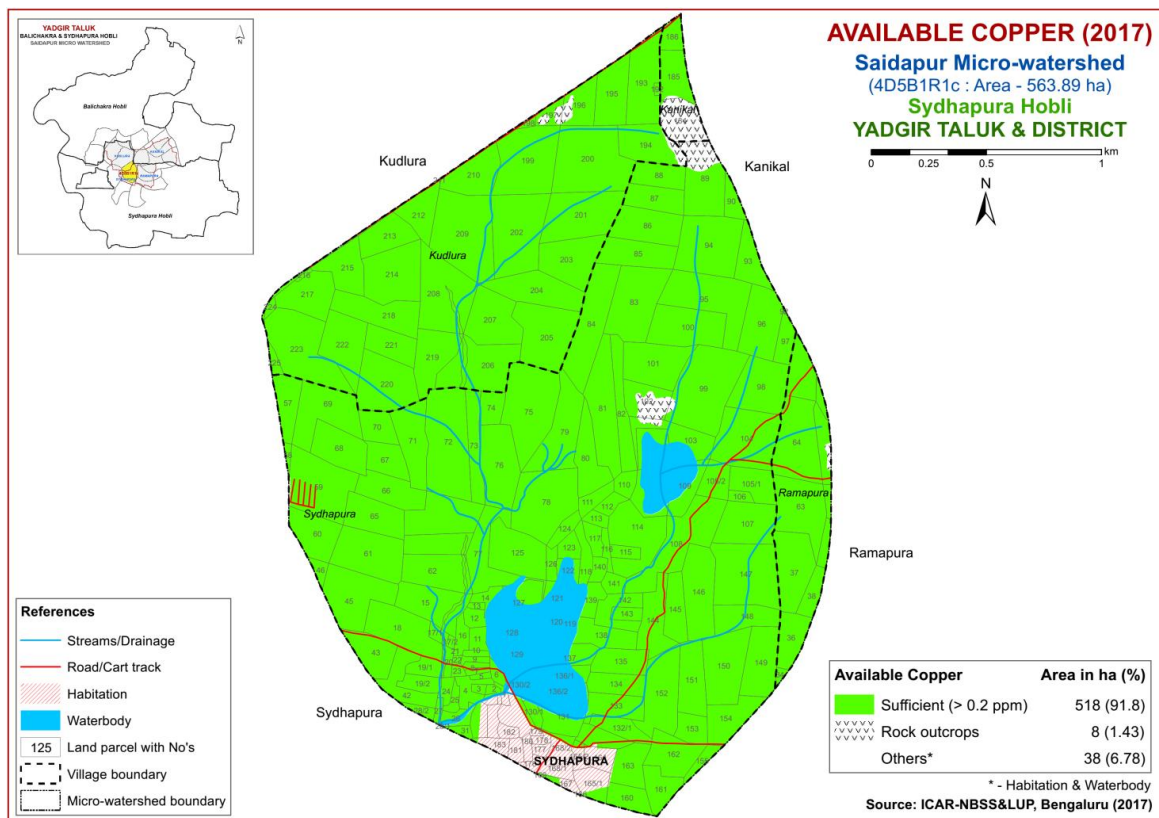


Fig.6.10 Soil Available Copper map of Saidapur Microwatershed

## 6.11 Available Zinc

Available zinc content is deficient (<0.6 ppm) in maximum area of 484 ha (86%) of the microwatershed and sufficient in small area of 33 ha (6%) of the microwatershed occurring in the northeastern part of the microwatershed(Fig 6.11).

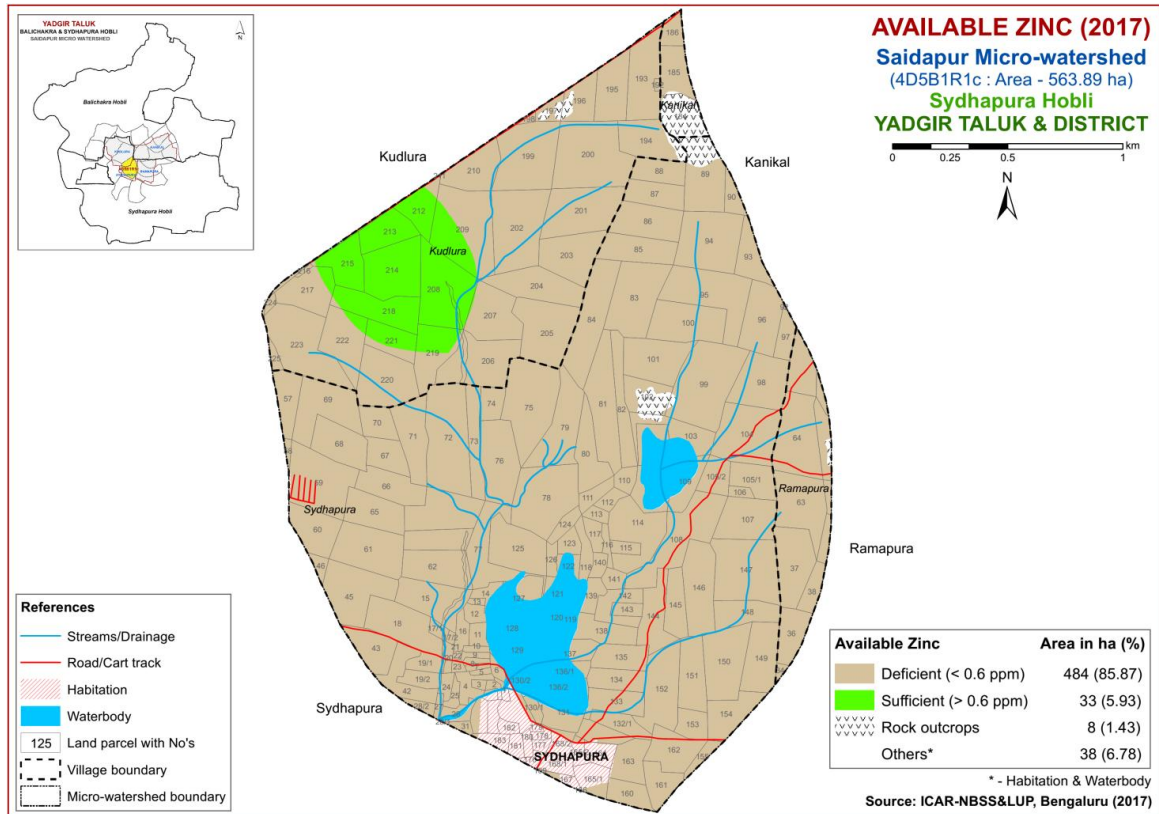


Fig.6.11 Soil Available Zinc map of Saidapur Microwatershed

## LAND SUITABILITY FOR MAJOR CROPS

The soil and land resource units (soil phases) of Saidapur microwatershed were assessed for their suitability for growing food, fodder, fibre 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, 'w' for drainage, 's' for sodium and 'z' for calcareousness. These limitations are indicated as lower case letters to the Class symbol. For example, moderately suitable lands with the limitations of soil depth and erosion are 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 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 Bijapur, Gulbarga, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad, Bellary, Chitradurga, Mysore and Tumakuru 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 a land suitability map for growing sorghum was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure. 7.1.

There are no highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing sorghum in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing sorghum and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, drainage and calcareousness. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sorghum and is distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation rooting depth.



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

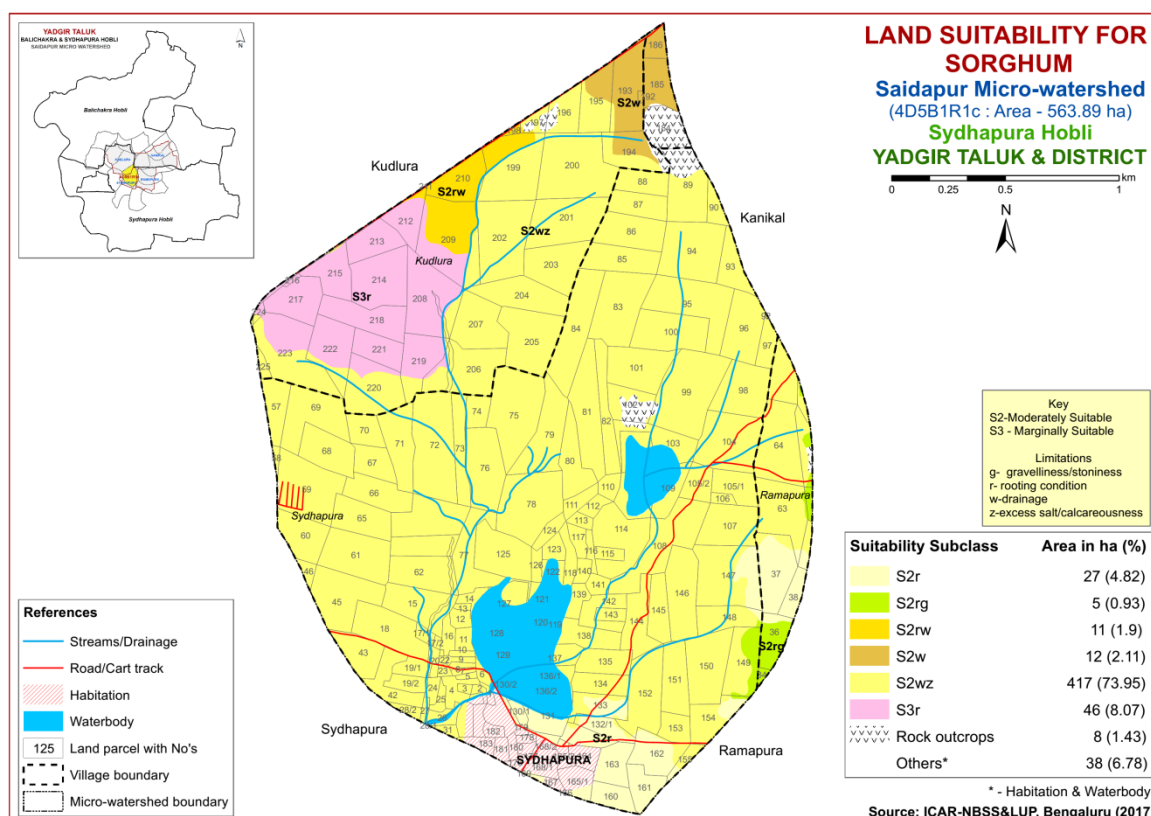
Soil Map Units	Climate (P)(mm)	Growing period (Days)	Drain-age Class	Soil depth (cm)	Soil texture		Gravelliness		AWC (mm/m)	Slope (%)	Erosion	pH	EC (dSm <sup>-1</sup> )	ESP (%)	CEC [Cmol (p <sup>+</sup> )kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	BS (%)
					Sur-face	Sub-surface	Surface (%)	Sub-surface (%)								
BDLhB2	866	150	WD	25-50	scl	sl	-	<15	<50	1-3	moderate	8.19	0.22	0.80	38.20	90
JNKcB2	866	150	WD	50-75	sl	scl	-	<15	51-100	1-3	moderate	8.42	0.14	0.18	14.50	100
JNKcB2g1	866	150	WD	50-75	sl	scl	15-35	<15	51-100	1-3	moderate	8.42	0.14	0.18	14.50	100
JNKiB3g1	866	150	WD	50-75	sc	scl	15-35	<15	51-100	1-3	severe	8.42	0.14	0.18	14.50	100
YLRbB2	866	150	WD	50-75	ls	c	-	15-35	51-100	1-3	moderate	6.91	0.06	0.45	6.90	100
YLRbB3	866	150	WD	50-75	ls	c	-	15-35	51-100	1-3	severe	6.91	0.06	0.45	6.90	100
YLRiB2	866	150	WD	50-75	sc	c	-	15-35	51-100	1-3	moderate	6.91	0.06	0.45	6.90	100
MDGcB2	866	150	MWD	100-150	sl	scl	-	<15	>200	1-3	moderate	8.20	0.39	7.69	4.90	100
RMPiB2	866	150	WD	50-75	sc	scl	-	<15	101-150	1-3	moderate	5.97	0.04	0.77	1.70	56
RHNcB2	866	150	WD	75-100	sl	scl	-	<15	101-150	1-3	moderate	8.16	0.22	8.81	8.99	99
RHNcB3	866	150	WD	75-100	sl	scl	-	<15	101-150	1-3	severe	8.16	0.22	8.81	8.99	99
RHNmB2	866	150	WD	75-100	c	scl	-	<15	101-150	1-3	moderate	8.16	0.22	8.81	8.99	99
KDRcB2	866	150	MWD	100-150	sl	c	-	<15	>200	1-3	moderate	8.34	0.15	0.22	33.20	100
KDRiB2	866	150	MWD	100-150	sc	c	-	<15	>200	1-3	moderate	8.34	0.15	0.22	33.20	100
KDRiB3	866	150	MWD	100-150	sc	c	-	<15	>200	1-3	severe	8.34	0.15	0.22	33.20	100
KDRmB2	866	150	MWD	100-150	c	c	-	<15	>200	1-3	moderate	8.34	0.15	0.22	33.20	100
MYPiB2g1	866	150	WD	>150	sc	scl	15-35	<15	>200	1-3	moderate	9.32	0.41	13.04	17.39	100

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



**Table 7.2 Land 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. Well 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, sicl, sc	l, sil, sic	Sl, 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*)

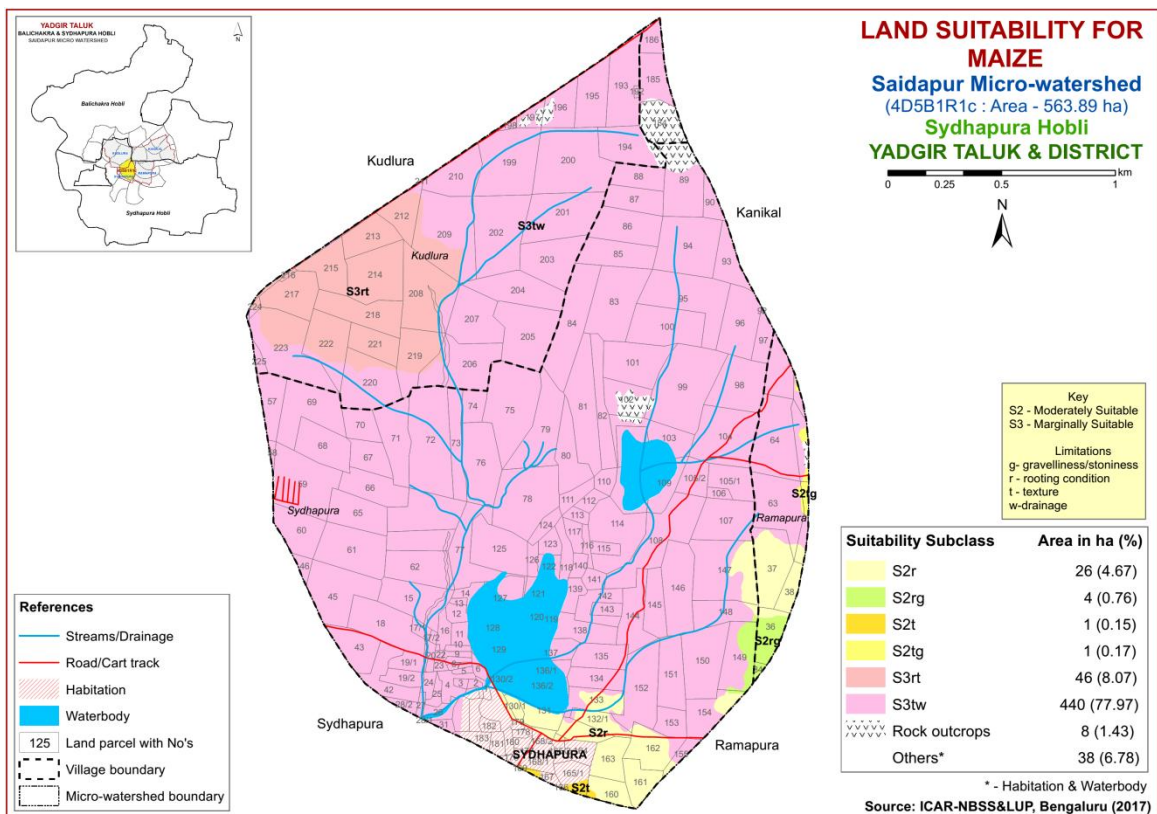
Maize is the one of the most important food crop grown in an area of 13.37 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing maize (Table 7.3) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing maize was generated. The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

Highly suitable (Class S1) lands are not available for growing maize in the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of 32 ha (6%) and

are distributed in the southern and southwestern part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and texture. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) for growing maize occupy maximum area of 486 ha (86%) and occur in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, drainage and texture.

**Table 7.3 Land 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)	dS m <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	



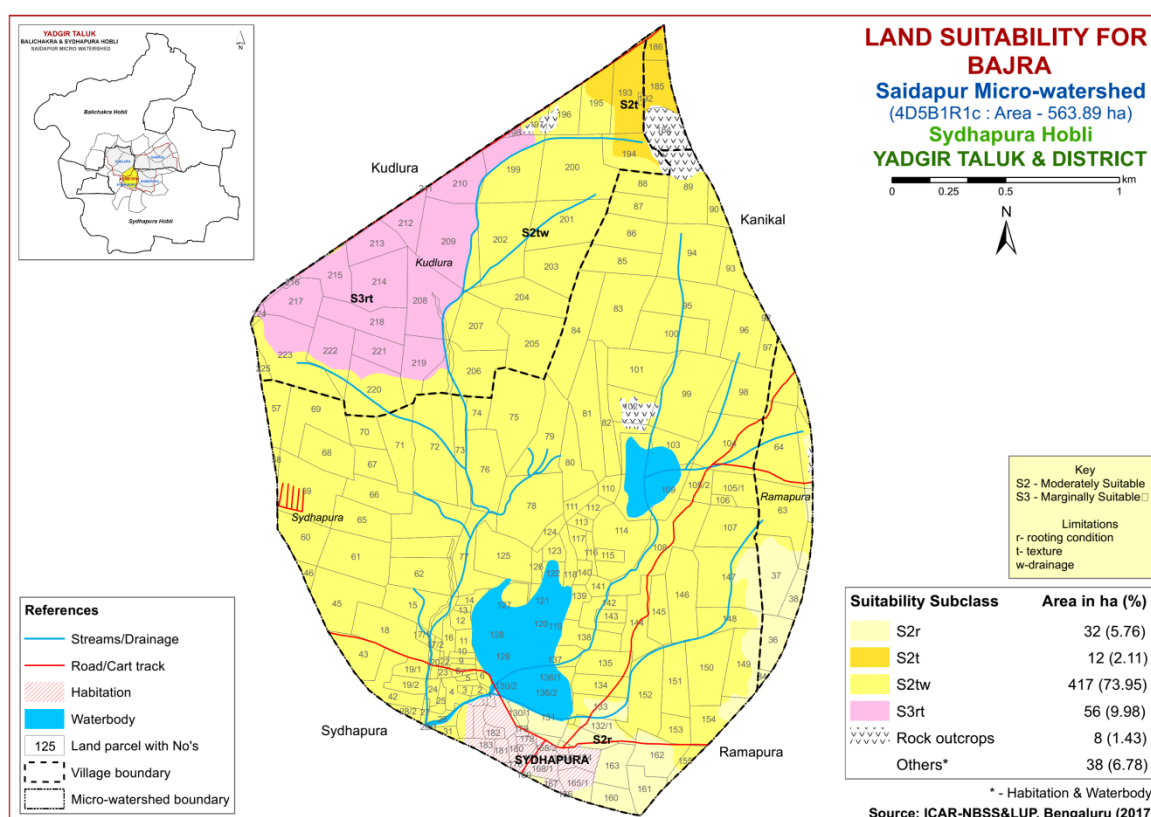
**Fig. 7.2 Land Suitability map of Maize**

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

Bajra is one of 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 (Table 7.4) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) 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 7.3.

**Table 7.4 Land suitability criteria for Bajra**

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. Well 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, sicl, sc	l, sil, sic	Sl, 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. 7.3 Land Suitability map of Bajra**

There are no highly (Class S1) suitable lands available for growing bajra in the microwatershed. Major area of about 461 ha (82%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing bajra and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture, drainage and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 56 ha (10%) and are distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and texture.

#### 7.4 Land Suitability for Groundnut (*Arachis hypogaea*)

Groundnut is one of the major oilseed crop grown in an area of 6.54 lakh ha in Karnataka in most of the districts either as rainfed or irrigated crop. The crop requirements for growing groundnut (Table 7.5) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing groundnut was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.4.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands are available for growing Groundnut in the microwatershed. Small area of about 31 ha (5%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for groundnut and are distributed in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) for growing groundnut occupy maximum area of about 488 ha (86%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage and rooting depth.

**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 drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.0-8.0	8.1-8.5,5.5-5.9	>8.5,<5.5	
Surface soil texture	Class	l,cl, sil, sc, siel	Sc, sic, c,	S, ls, sl,c (>60%)	S,fragmental
Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<35	35-50	>50	
CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	high	Medium	low	
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	<2.0	2.0-4.0	4.0-8.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	>10	

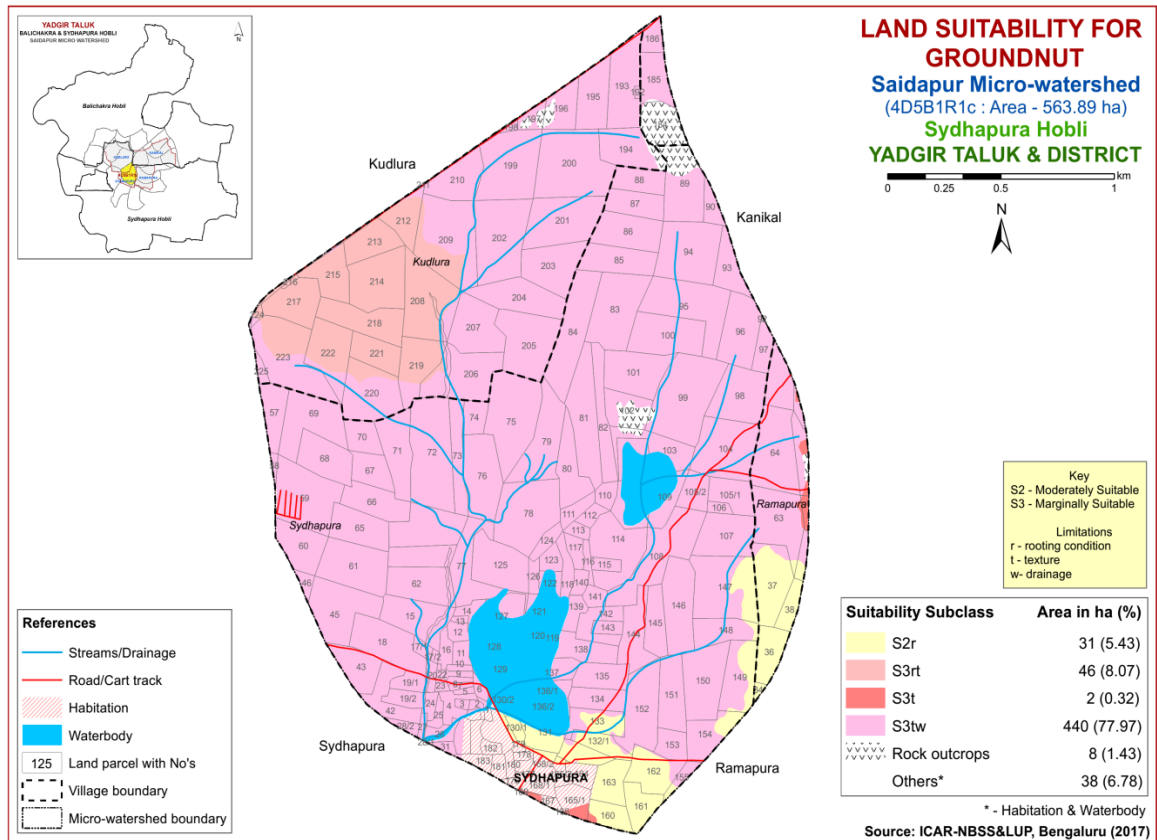


Fig. 7.4 Land Suitability map of Groundnut

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

Sunflower is one of 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 7.5.

Table 7.6 Land 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 rained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-8.0	8.1-8.55.5-6.4	8.6-9.0;4.5-5.4	>9.0<4.5
Surface soil texture	Class	l, 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	



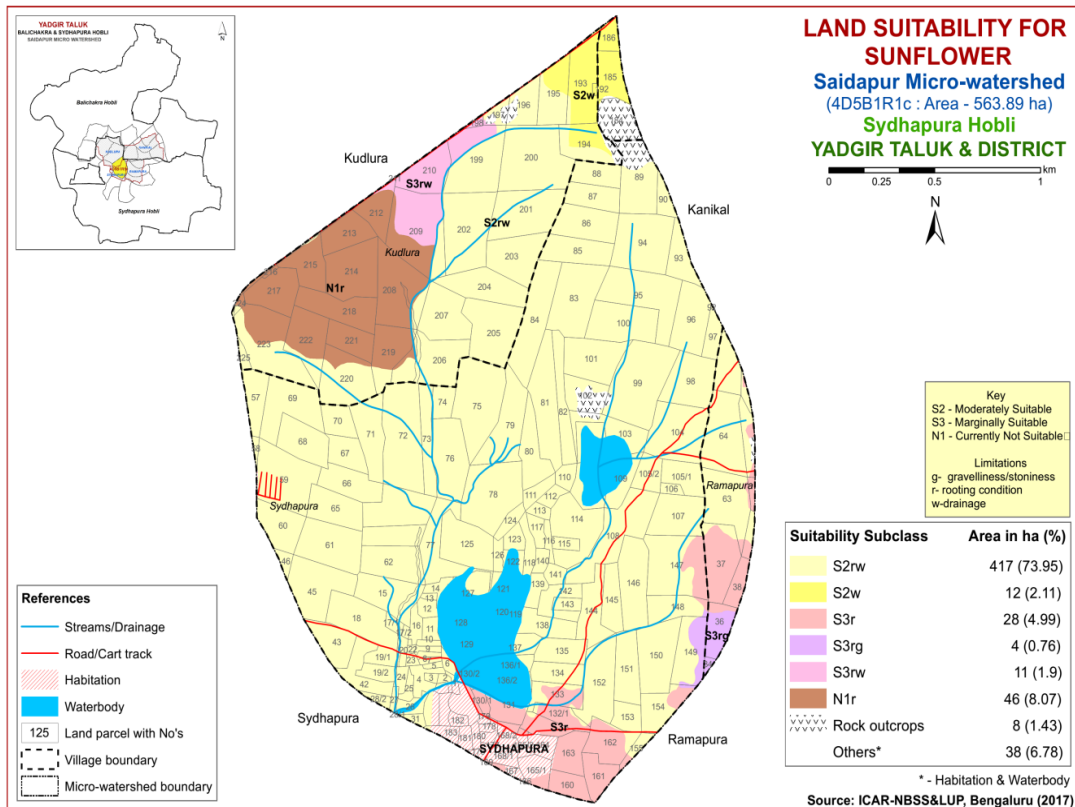


Fig. 7.5 Land Suitability map of Sunflower

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing sunflower in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 429 ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for sunflower and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth and drainage. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for sunflower are found to occur in an area of about 43 ha (30%) with moderate limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and drainage and are distributed in the central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

### 7.6 Land suitability criteria for Red gram (*Cajanus Cajan*)

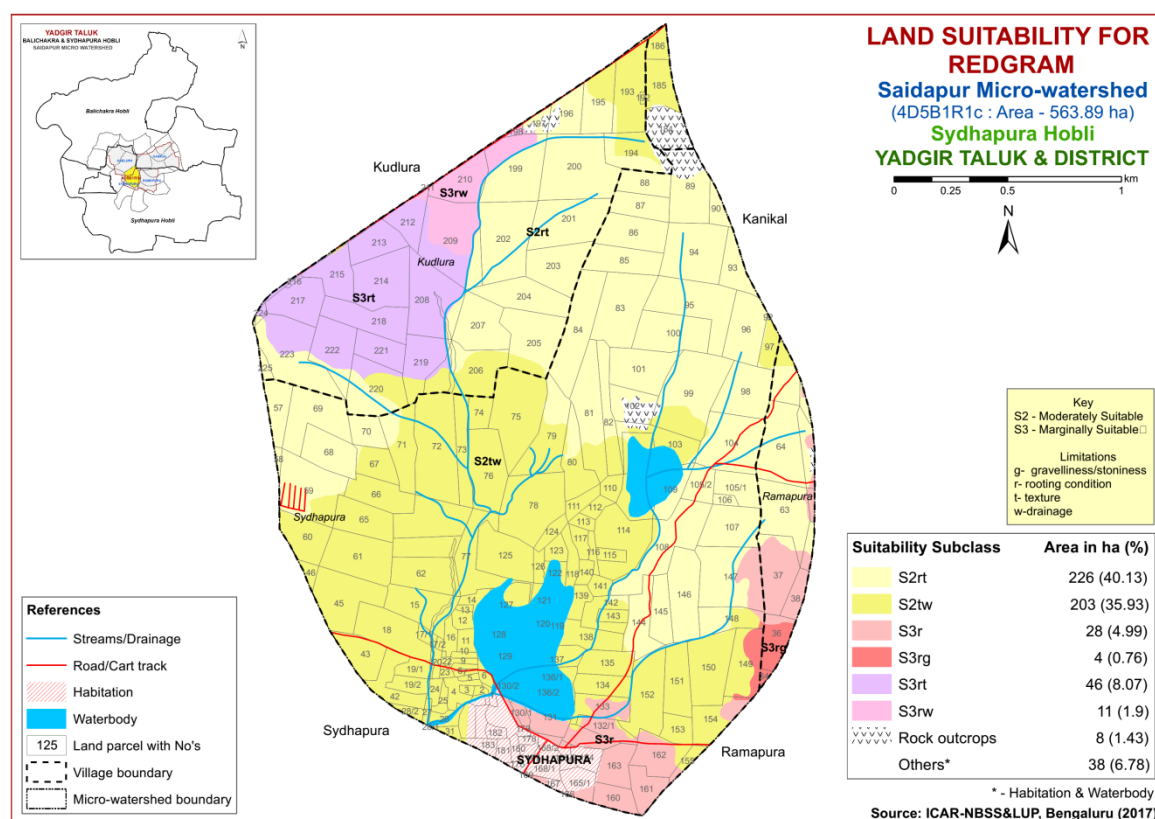
Redgram is one of the most important pulse crop grown in an area of 7.28 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing red gram (Table 7.7) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing redgram was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.6.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing redgram in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 429ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing redgram and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) for growing redgram occupy an area of about 89 ha (16%) and occur in the

southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, texture and drainage.

**Table 7.7 Land 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. 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
Sub Surface soil texture	Class	l, scl, sil, cl, sl	sicl, sic, c(m)	ls	
Soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	3-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	ds m <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	



**Fig. 7.6 Land Suitability map of Redgram**

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

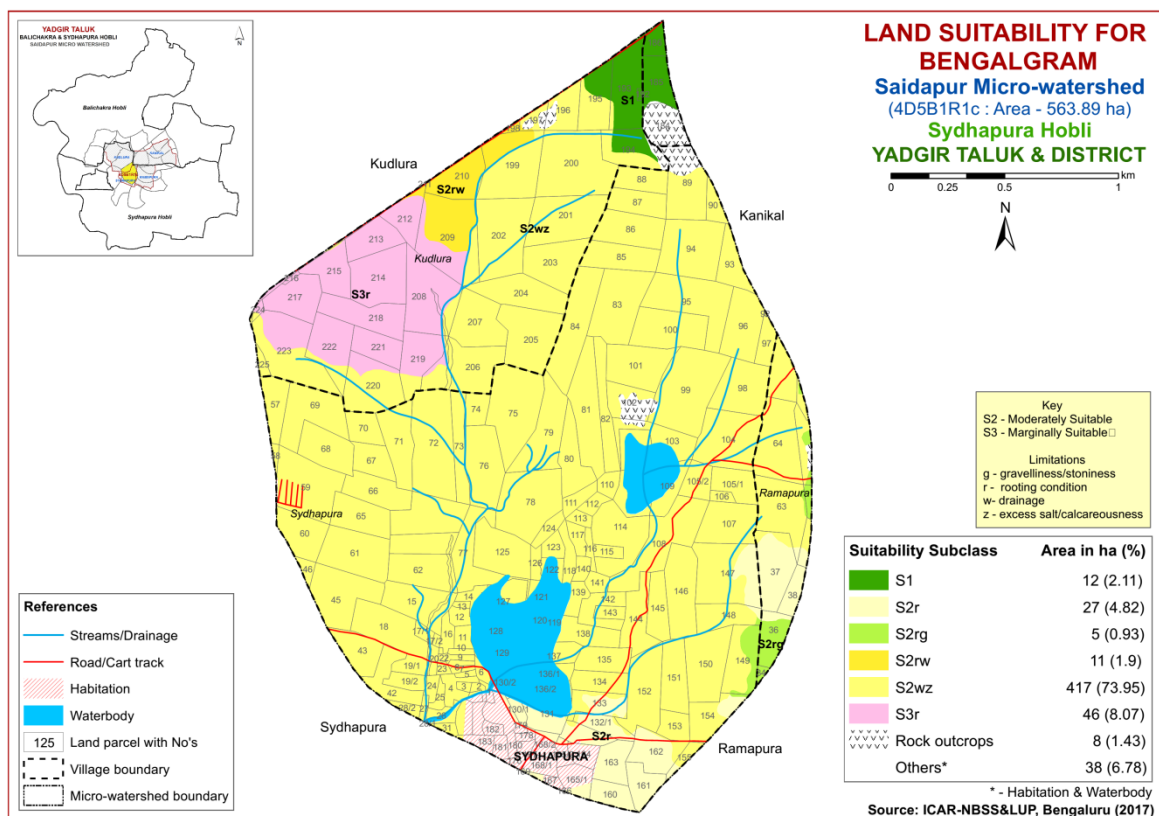
Bengal gram is one of the most important pulse crop grown in about 9.39 lakh ha area in Bijapur, Raichur, Kalaburgi, Dharwad, Belgaum and Bellary districts. The crop requirements for growing Bengal gram (Table 7.8) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map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



generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.7.

**Table 7.8 Land 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; imper.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. 7.7 Land Suitability map of Bengal gram**

Highly (Class S1) suitable lands for growing Bengal gram occur in a small area of 12 ha (2%) and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. Major area of about 460 ha (82%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Bengal gram and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of drainage,

calcareousness, gravelliness and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 46 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitation of rooting depth.

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

Cotton is one of 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 Chamarajnar district. The crop requirements for growing cotton (Table 7.9) 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 7.8.

Highly suitable (Class S1) lands for growing cotton crop cover a small area of 12 ha (2%) and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with minor or no limitations. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands are found to occur in a maximum area of about 460ha (82%). The soils have minor limitations of rooting depth, drainage, gravelliness and calcareousness. They are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing cotton are found to occur in an area of about 46ha (8%) with moderate limitation of rooting depth and are distributed in the northwestern part the microwatershed.

**Table 7.9 Land 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 mod.well	imperfectly drained	P. 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

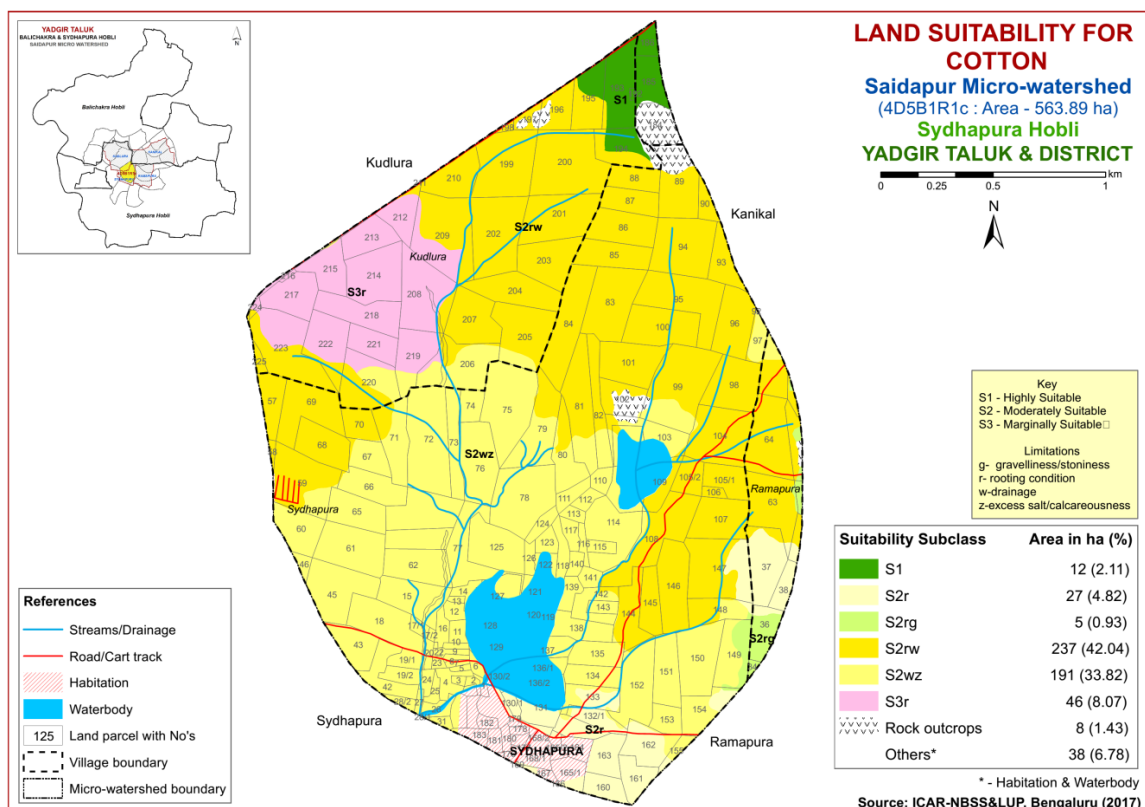


Fig. 7.8 Land Suitability map of Cotton

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

Chilli is one of the most important vegetable and spice crop grown in about 0.42 lakh ha in Karnataka state. The crop requirements for growing chilli (Table 7.10) 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.

Table 7.10 Land suitability criteria for Chilli

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately Suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable(N)
Meantemperature in growing season	$^{\circ}\text{C}$	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)	$\text{dsm}^{-1}$	<1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0	<4
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	

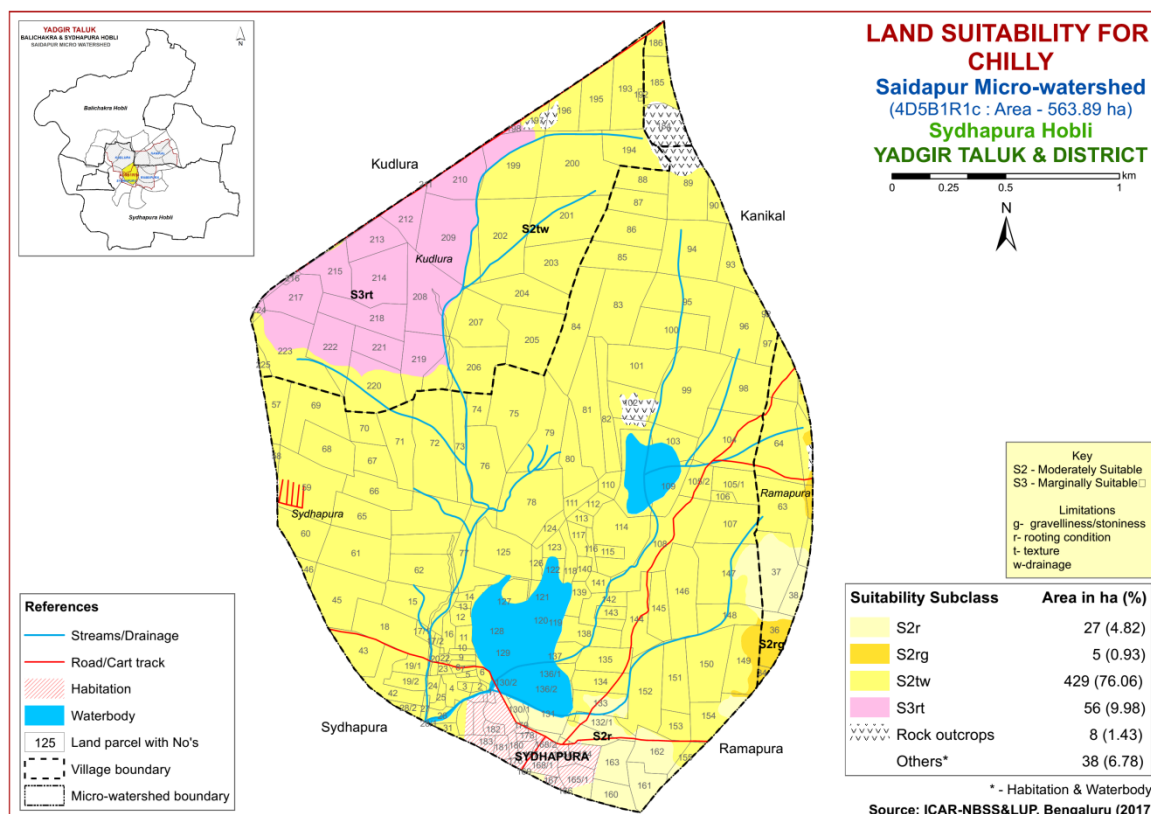


Fig 7.9 Land Suitability map of Chilli

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands available for growing chilli in the microwatershed. Major area of about 461 ha (82%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing chilli and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture, drainage, gravelliness and rooting depth. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of about 56 ha (10%) and are distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and texture.

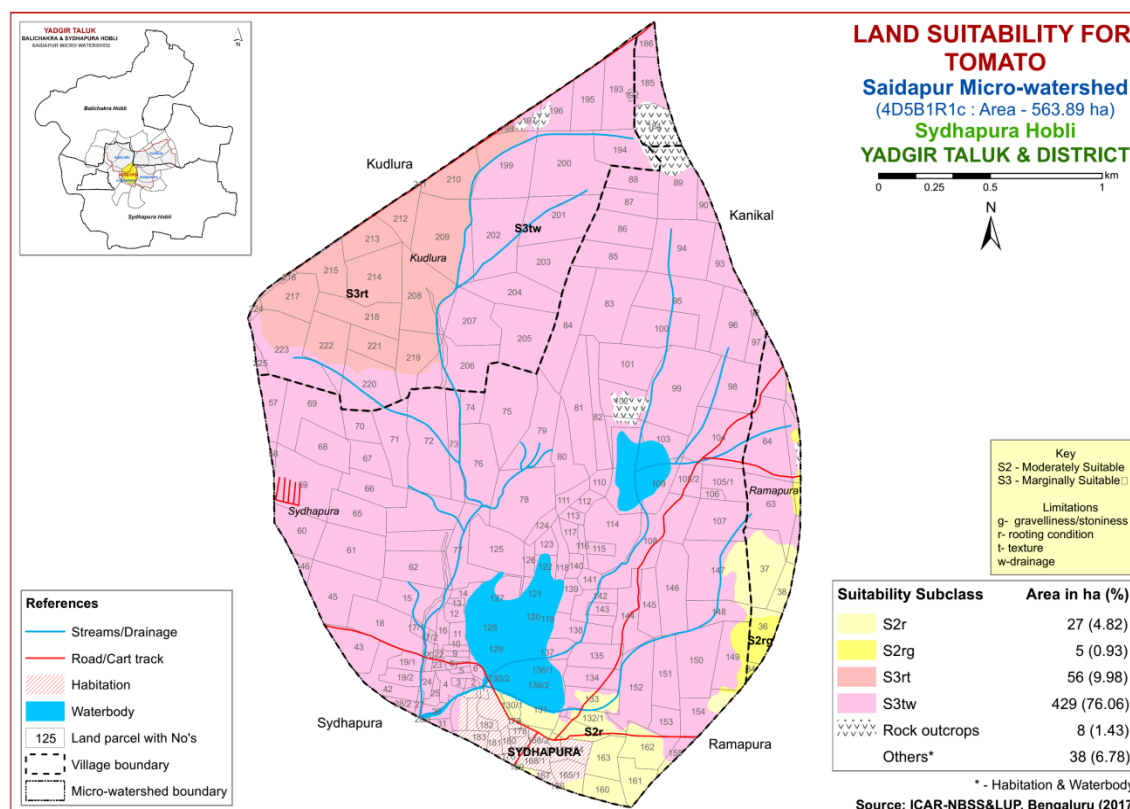
### 7.10 Land Suitability for Tomato (*Lycopersicon esculentum*)

Tomato is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in about 0.61 lakh ha covering almost all the district of the state. The crop requirements for growing tomato (Table 7.11) 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.

No highly (Class S1) suitable lands available for growing tomato in the microwatershed. Small area of about 32 ha (6%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing tomato and are distributed in the eastern, southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy a major area of about 485 ha (86%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, drainage and texture.

**Table 7.11 Land 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	°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	
Rotting 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**

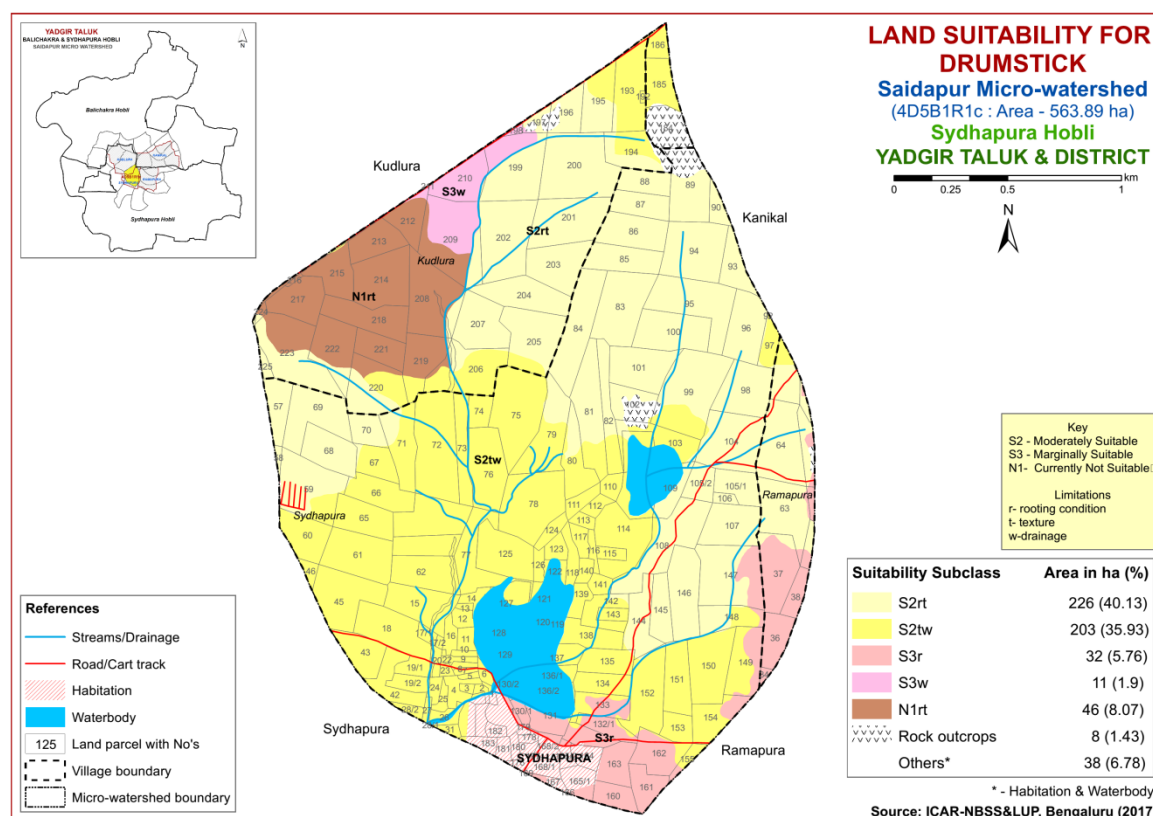
**7.11 Land Suitability for Drumstick (*Moringa oleifera*)**

Drumstick is one of 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 7.12.

**Table 7.12 Land 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**

There are no highly (Class S1) suitable lands available for growing drumstick in the microwatershed. Major area of about 429 ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for drumstick and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 43 ha (8%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the northwestern, central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of drainage and rooting depth. An area of about 46 ha



(8%) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

### 7.12 Land suitability for Mango (*Mangifera indica*)

Mango is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 1.73 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.13) for growing mango 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.12.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing mango in the microwatershed. Small area of about 12 ha (2%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing mango and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitation of rooting depth. Maximum area of 417 ha (74%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing mango with moderate limitations of drainage, texture and rooting depth and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. An area of about 89 ha (16%) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing mango and occur in the northwestern, central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and drainage.

**Table 7.13 Land 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	<sup>0</sup> C	28-32	24-27 33-35	36-40	20-24
	Min. temp. before flowering	<sup>0</sup> 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	8.6-9.04.0-4.9	>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	



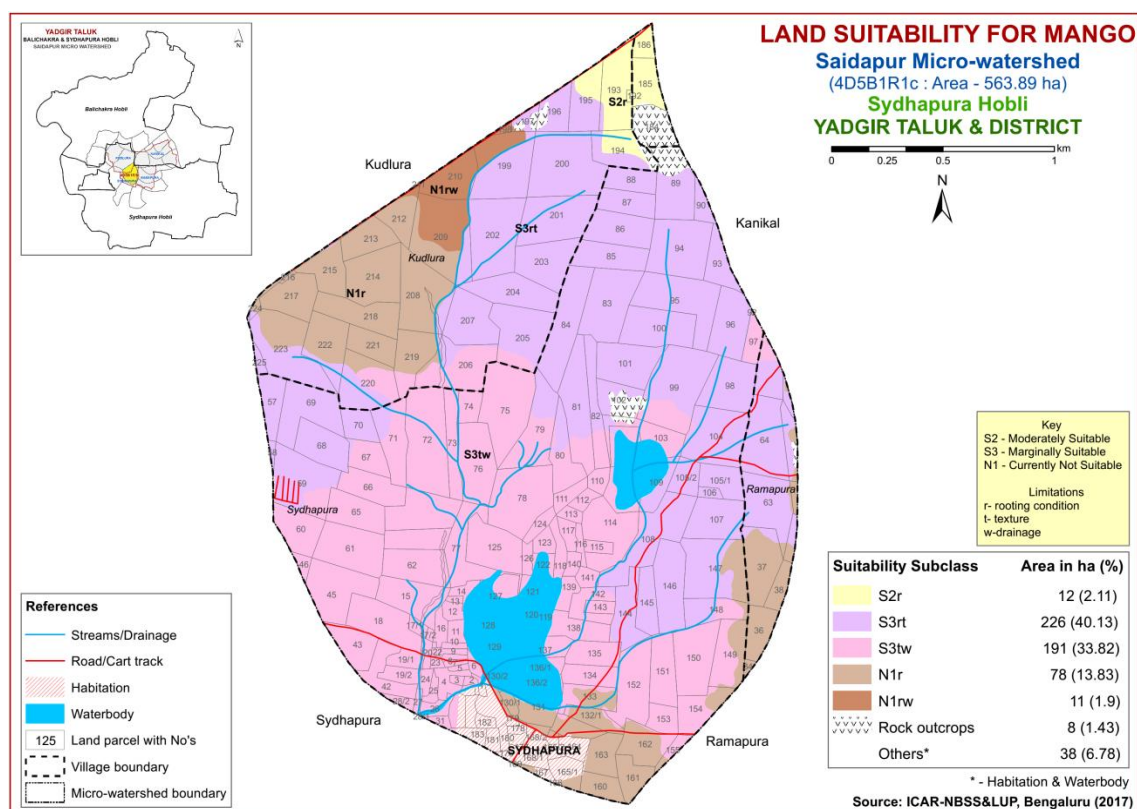


Fig. 7.12 Land Suitability map of Mango

### 7.13 Land suitability for Guava (*Psidium guajava*)

Guava is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 6558 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.14) for growing guava were matched with the soil-site characteristics (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 7.13.

Table 7.14 Land 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	37-42	
				24-27	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

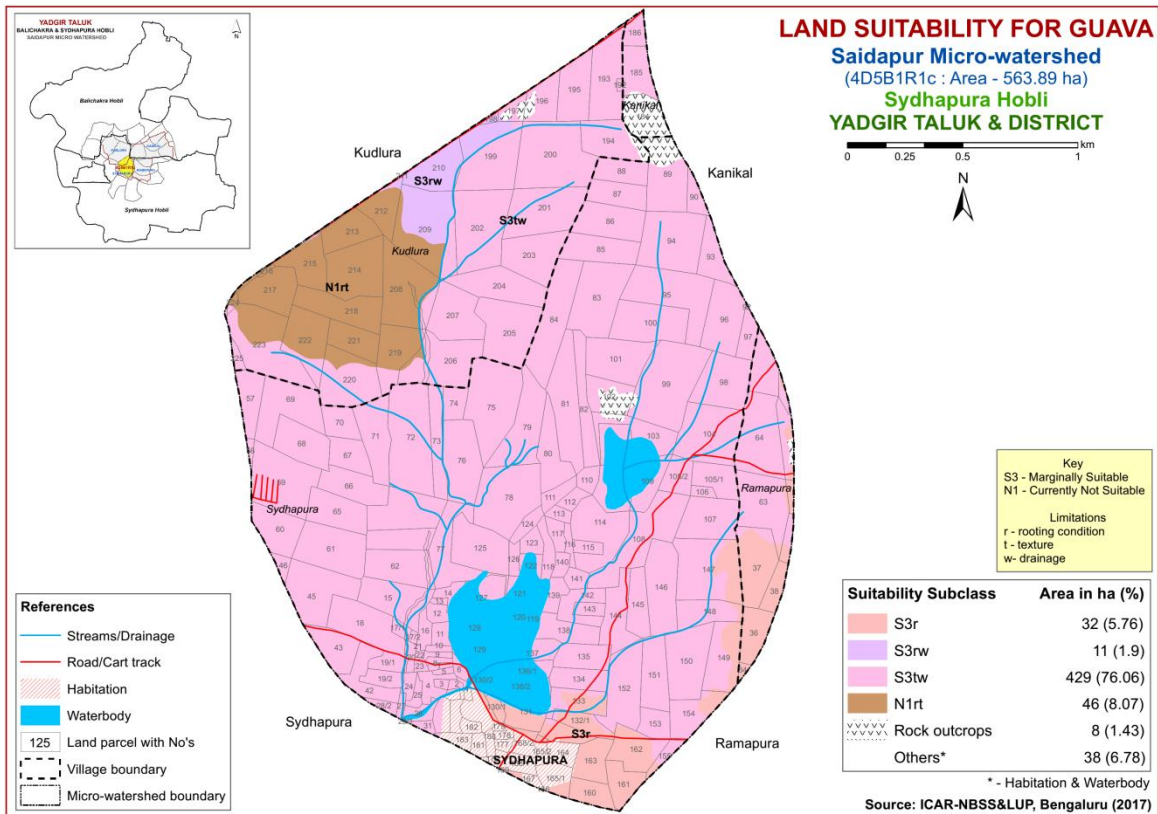


Fig. 7.13 Land Suitability map of Guava

No highly (Class S1) and moderately suitable (Class S2) lands available for growing guava in the microwatershed. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (N1) for growing guava and occur in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

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

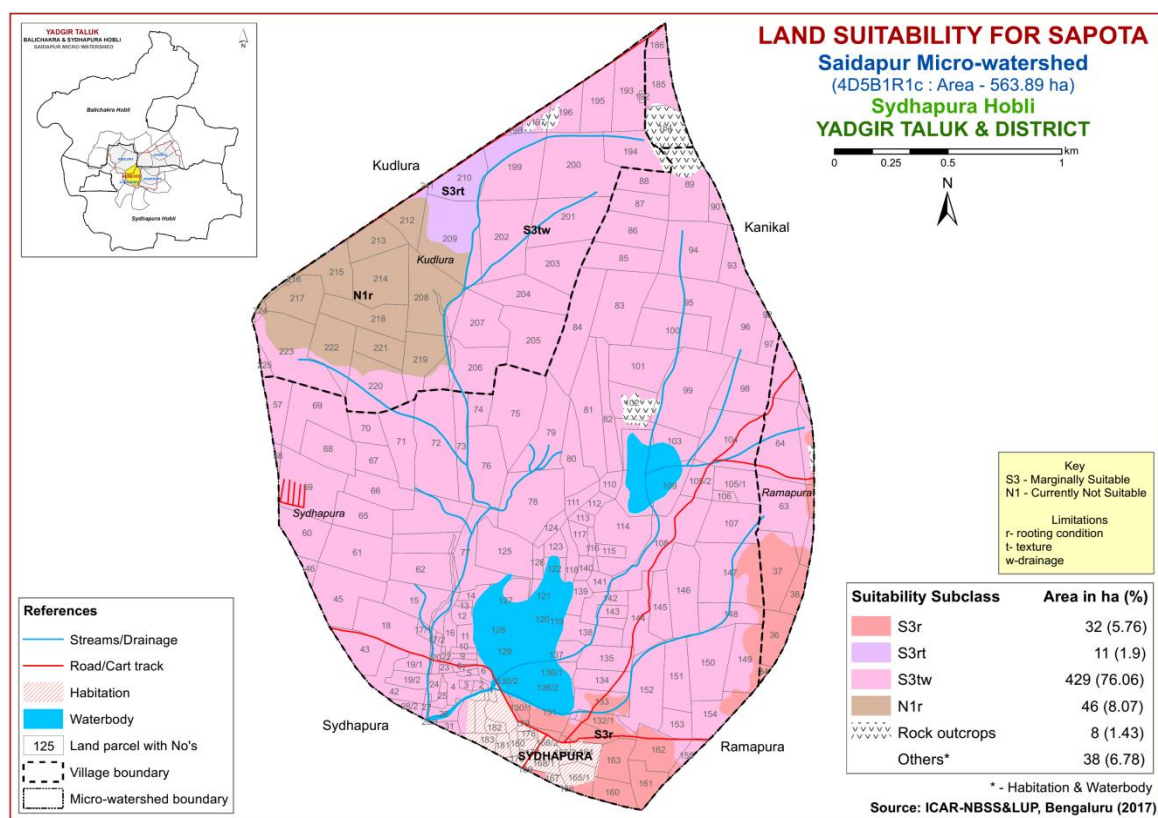
Sapota is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 29373 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.15) for growing sapota were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing sapota was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.14.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands available for growing Sapota in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sapota and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing sapota and

occur in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth.

**Table 7.15 Land 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	>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



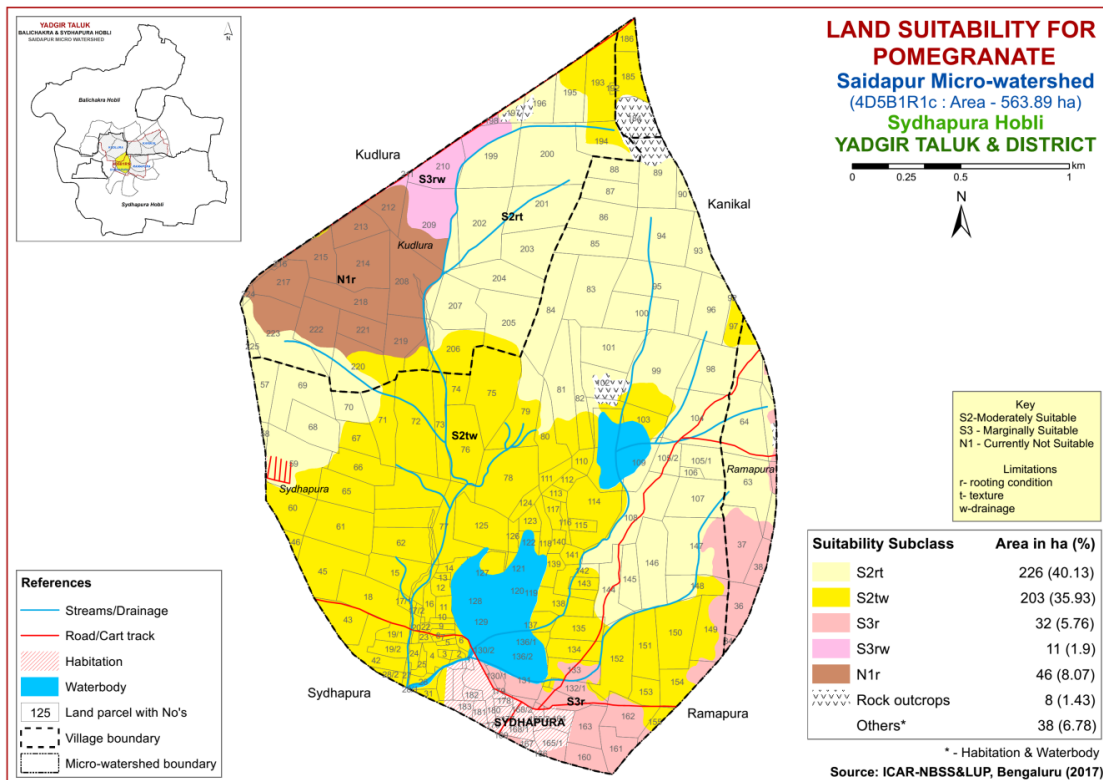
**Fig. 7.14 Land Suitability map of Sapota**

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

Pomegranate is one of the most important fruit crop commercially grown in about 18488 ha in Karnataka, 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 7.15.

**Table 7.16 Land 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 7.15 Land Suitability map of Pomegranate**



No highly (Class S1) suitable lands available for growing pomegranate in the microwatershed. Major area of about 429 ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing pomegranate and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage. An area of about 43 ha (8%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing pomegranate and are distributed in the northwestern, central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing pomegranate and is distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

### 7.16 Land Suitability for Musambi (*Citrus limetta*)

Musambi is one of the important fruit crop grown in an area of 3446 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing musambi (Table 7.17) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) 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 7.16.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Musambi in the microwatershed. Major area of about 429 ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Musambi and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of drainage, calcareousness and rooting depth. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occupy an area of about 43 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northwestern, central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

**Table 7.17 Land suitability criteria for Musambi**

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. 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
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	15-35	35-55	>55
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	

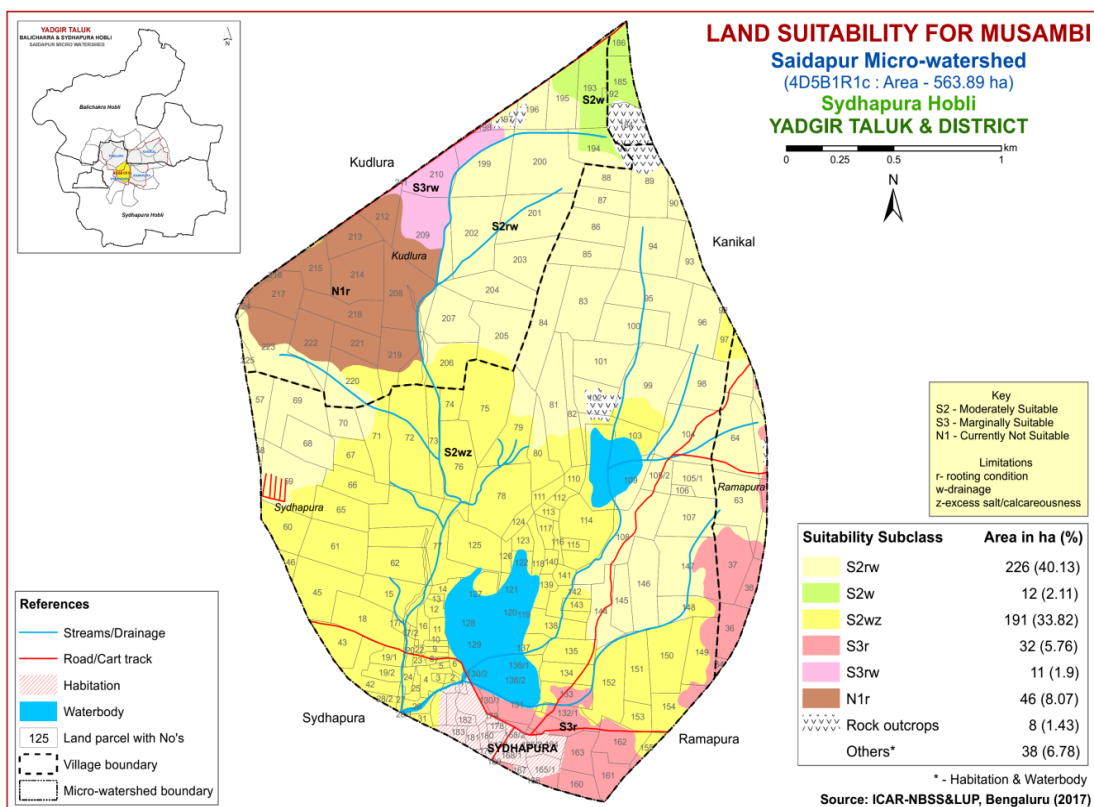


Fig. 7.16 Land Suitability map of Musambi

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

Lime is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 0.11 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing lime (Table 7.18) 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 geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7. 17.

Table 7.18 Land suitability criteria for Lime

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	28-30	31-35	36-40	>40
				24-27	20-23	<20
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	240-265	180-240	150-180	<150
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. to imper. 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 conditions	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	

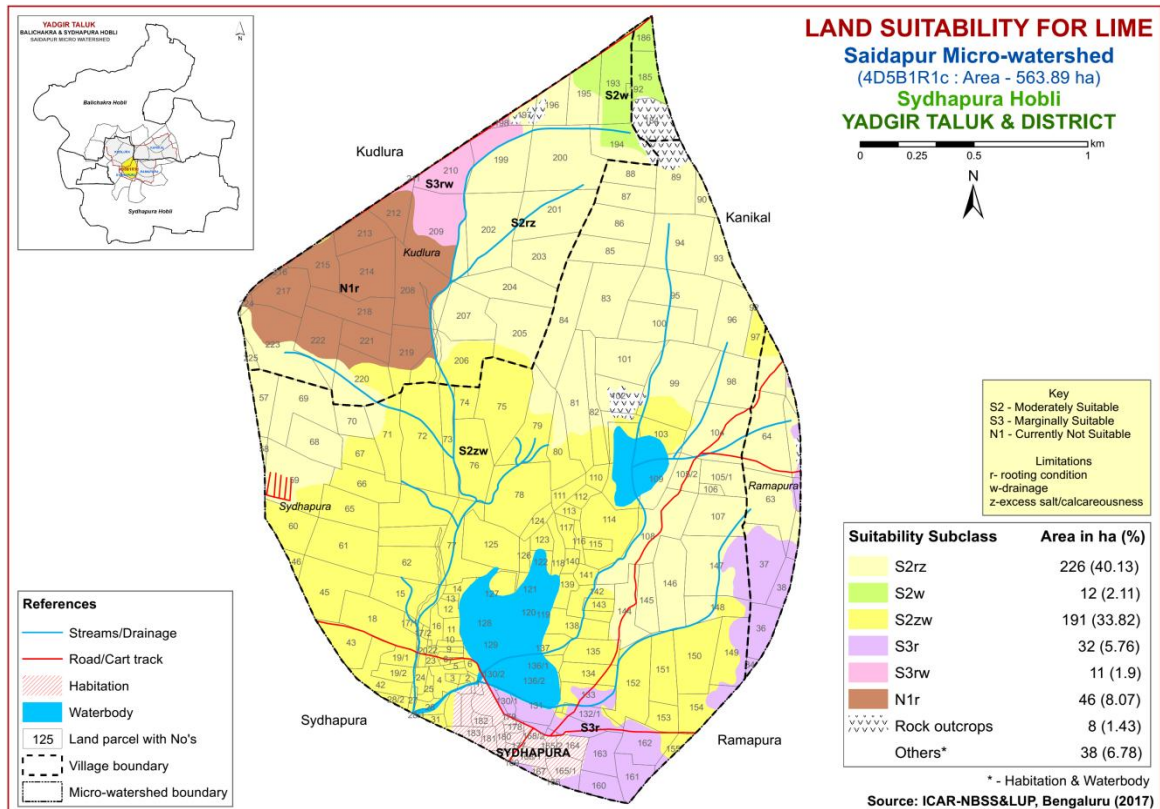


Fig. 7.17 Land Suitability map of Lime

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Lime in the microwatershed. Major area of about 429 ha (76%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing lime and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of drainage, calcareousness and rooting depth. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occupy an area of about 43 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northwestern, eastern, southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

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

Amla is one of the medicinal fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing amla (Table 7.19) 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 7.18.

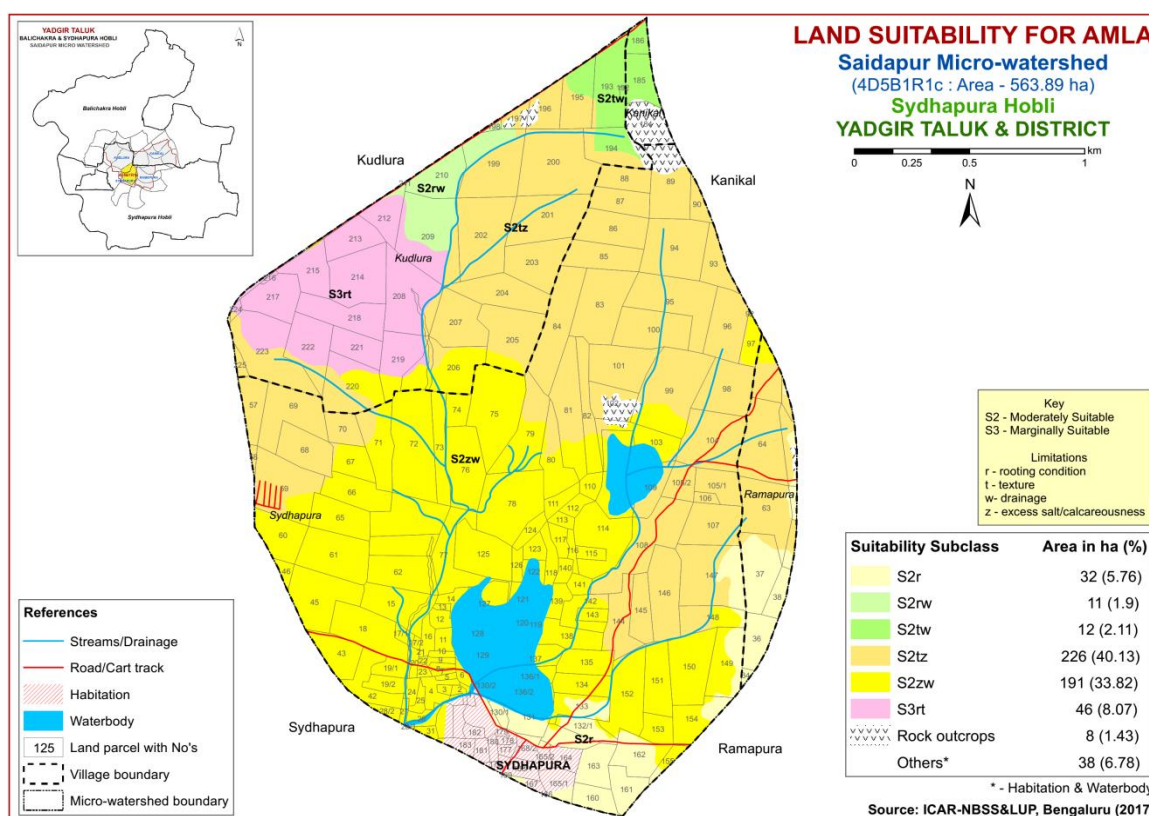
No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Amla in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) has soils that are moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Amla with minor limitations of drainage, rooting depth, calcareousness and texture and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. An area



of 46 ha (8%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) with moderate limitations of rooting depth and texture and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed.

**Table 7.19 Land 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. 7.18 Land Suitability map of Amla**

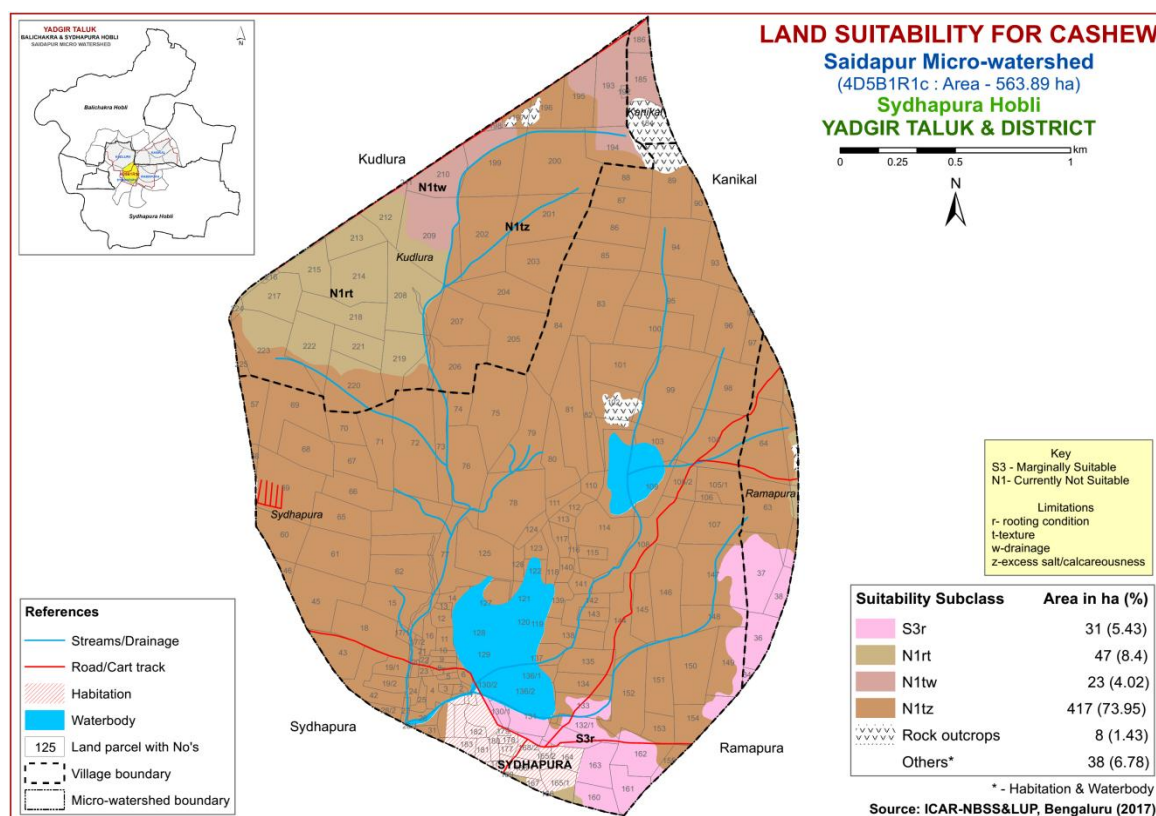
### 7.19 Land Suitability for Cashew (*Anacardium occidentale*)

Cashew is one of the most important plantation nut crop grown in an area of 0.7 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. 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 geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.19.

An area of 31 ha (5%) is marginally (Class S3) suitable for growing cashew and are distribute in the southeastern, eastern and southern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of rooting depth. Maximum of 487 ha (86%) area in the microwatershed is not suitable (Class N1) for growing of cashew as they have severe limitations of rooting depth, texture, calcareousness and drainage.

**Table 7.20 Land 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	sc, c (red), scl, cl,	-	ls, sl	c (black)
	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. 7.19 Land Suitability map of Cashew**

## 7. 20Land Suitability for Jackfruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*)

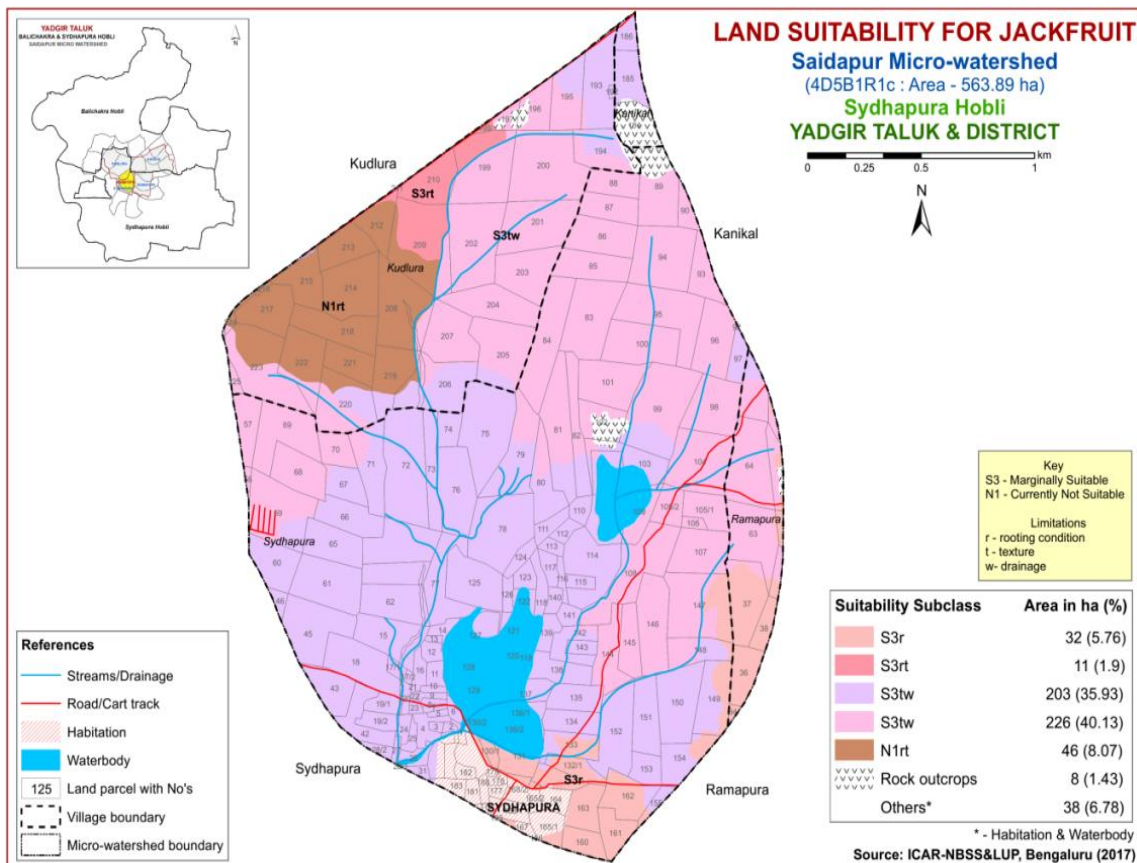
Jackfruit is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 5368 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing jackfruit (Table 7.21) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map

for growing jackfruit was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.20.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately suitable lands available for growing Jackfruit in the microwatershed. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing Jackfruit occupy maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, drainage and texture. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

**Table 7.21 Land 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	V. 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. 7.20 Land Suitability map of Jackfruit**

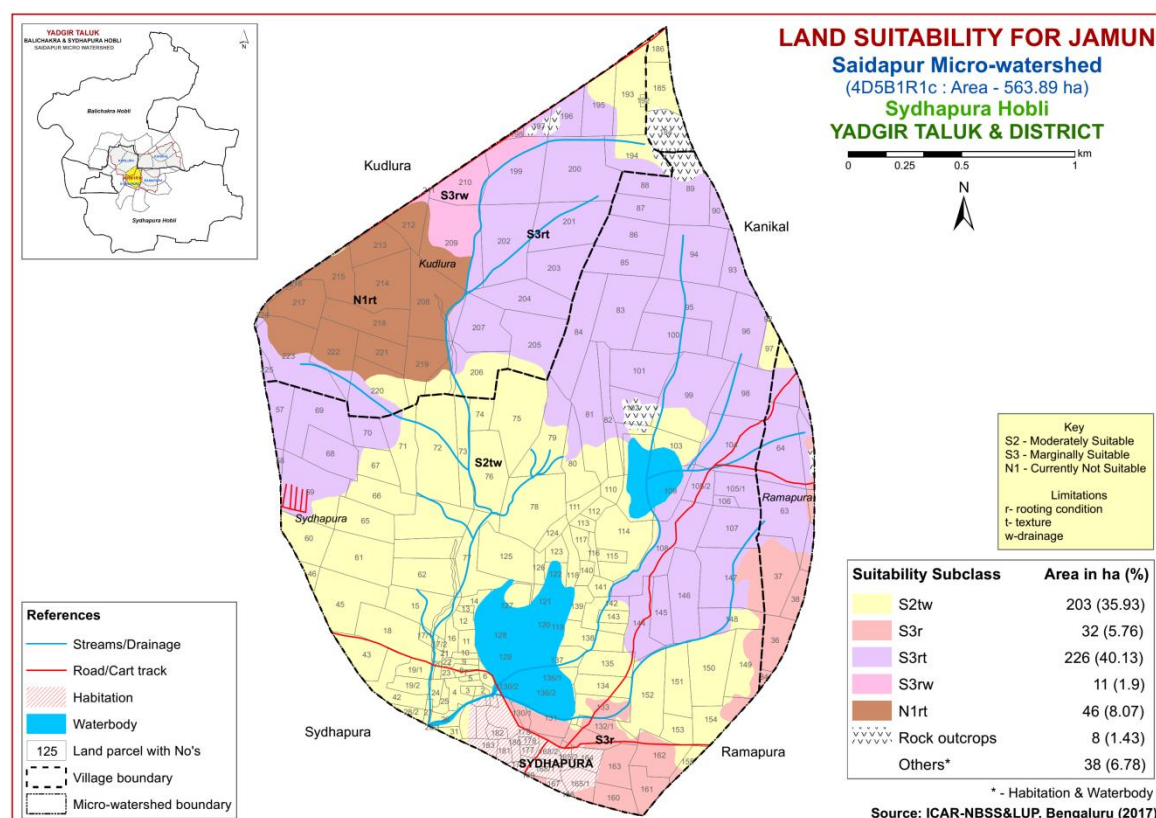


## 7.21 Land Suitability for Jamun (*Syzygium cumini*)

Jamun is an important fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing jamun (Table 22) 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 7.21.

**Table 7.22 Land 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. 7.21 Land Suitability map of Jamun**

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Jamun in the microwatershed. An area of about 203 ha (36%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Jamun and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor

limitations of texture and drainage. An area of about 269 ha (48%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing Jamun and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of drainage, texture and rooting depth. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is not suitable (Class N1) and is distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.

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

Custard apple is one of the most important fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing custard apple (Table 7.23) 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 geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.22.

**Table 7.23 Land 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)	-	sl, 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	

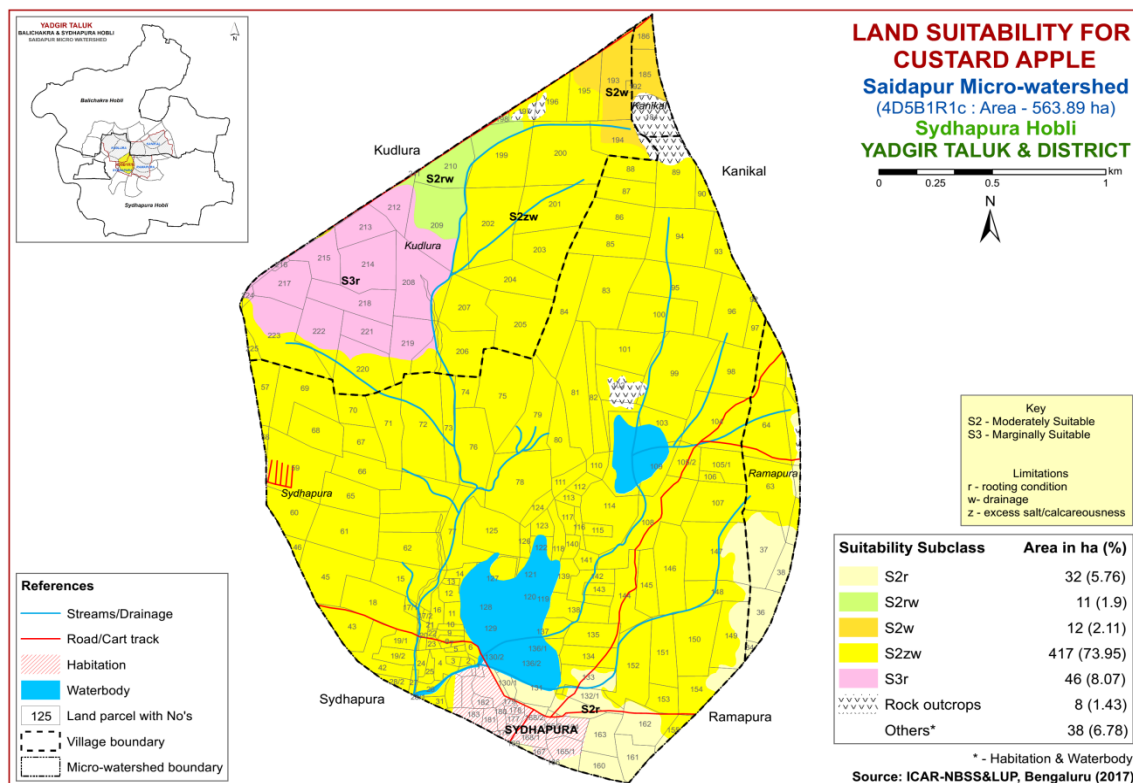


Fig. 7.22 Land Suitability map of Custard Apple

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands are available for growing custard apple in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) has soils that are moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing custard apple with minor limitations of drainage, calcareousness and rooting depth and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. An area of about 46 ha (8%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing custard apple and is distributed in the northeastern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of rooting depth.

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

Tamarind is one of the most important spice crop grown in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing tamarind (Table 7.24) 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 geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Fig. 7.23.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands are available for growing Tamarind in the microwatershed. An area of about 203 ha (36%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Tamarind and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture and drainage. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing Tamarind occupy maximum area of about 226 ha (40%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and drainage. An area of about 89 ha (16%) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing Tamarind and occur in the northwestern, central, eastern, southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth, texture and drainage.

**Table 7.24 Land 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

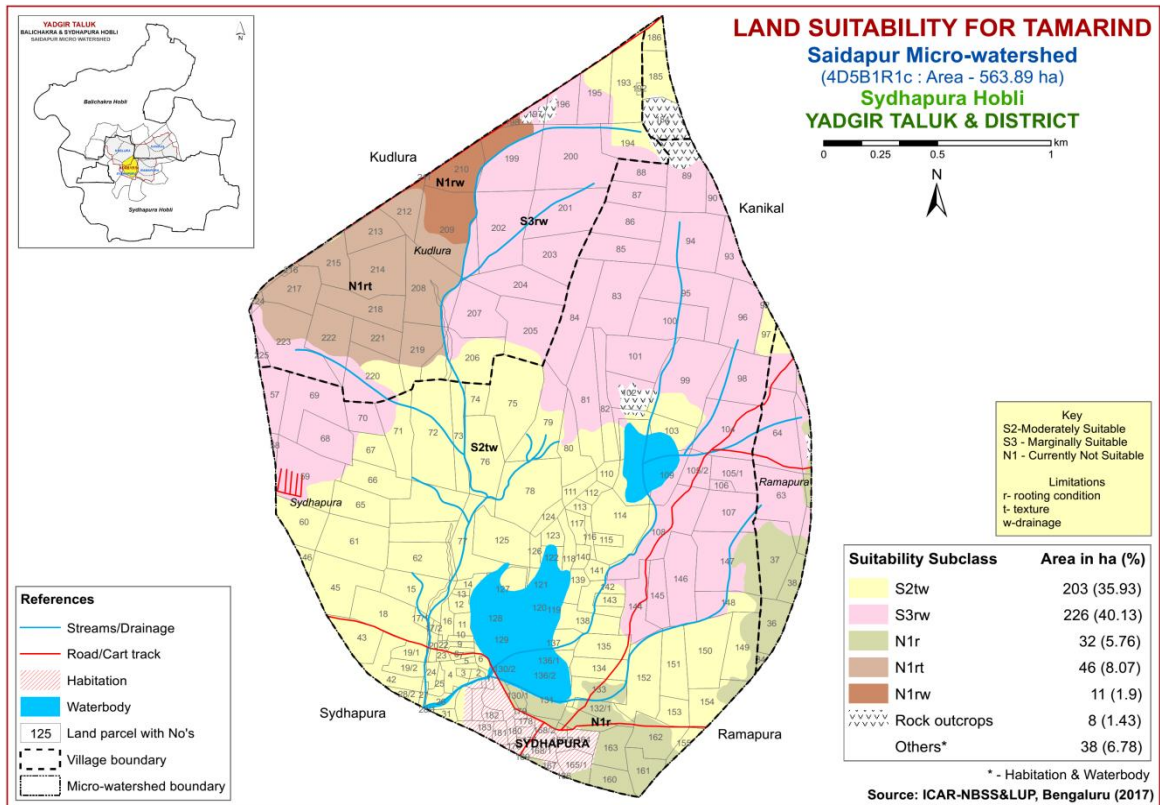


Fig. 7.23 Land Suitability map of Tamarind

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

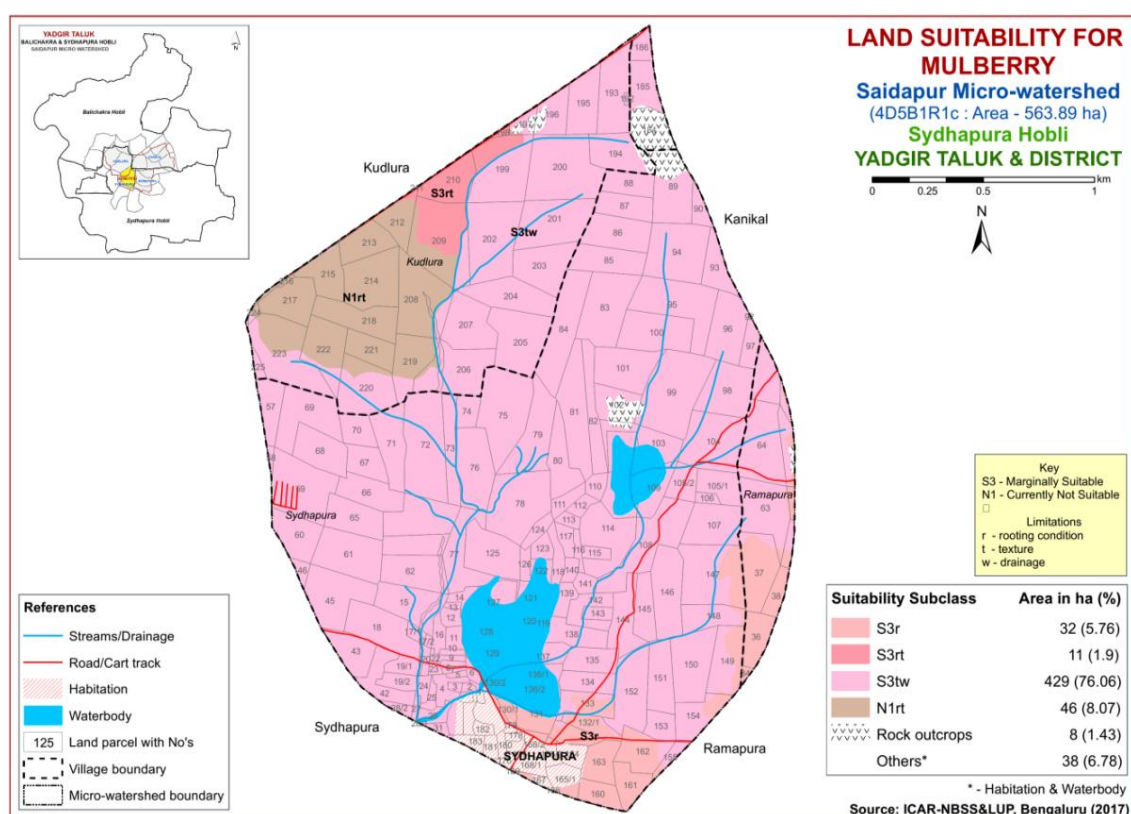
Mulberry is the important leaf crop for sericulture, grown for rearing silkworm in about 1.6 lakh ha area in all the districts of the state. The crop requirements for growing mulberry (Table 7.25) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing mulberry was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.24.

No highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands available for growing mulberry in the microwatershed. Major area of about 472ha (84%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing mulberry and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, drainage and rooting depth. Not suitable lands (Class N1) occupy an area of about 46 ha (8%) and distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have severe limitations of rooting depth and texture.



**Table 7.25 Land 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 7.24 Land Suitability map of Mulberry**

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

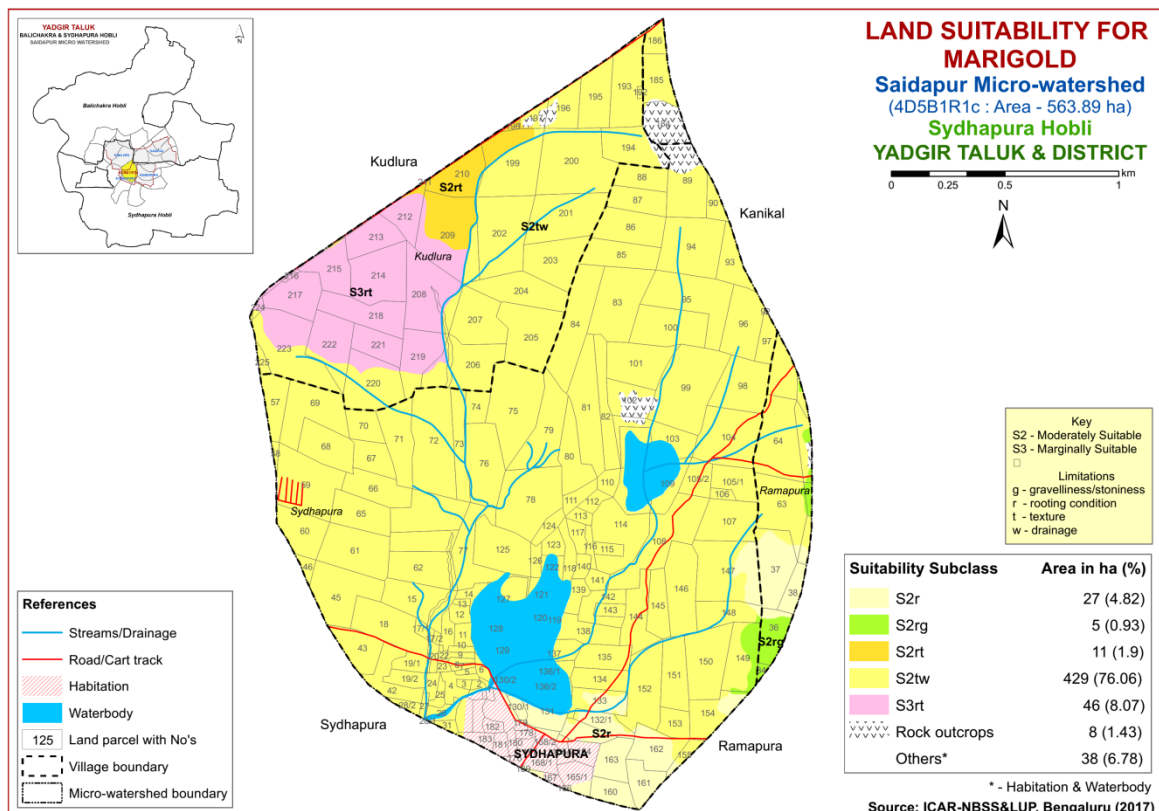
Marigold is one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 9108 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.26) for growing marigold were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing marigold was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.25.

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Marigold in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Marigold and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture, drainage, rooting depth and gravelliness. Marginally

suitable (Class S3) lands for growing Marigold occupy an area of about 46 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture and rooting depth.

**Table 7.26 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	sic1, 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 one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 4978 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.27) for growing chrysanthemum 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 are given in Figure 7.26.

**Table 7.27 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	
Rooting conditions	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	
	Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
Soil toxicity	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
	Salinity	ds/m	Non saline	slightly	strongly	
Erosion	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	

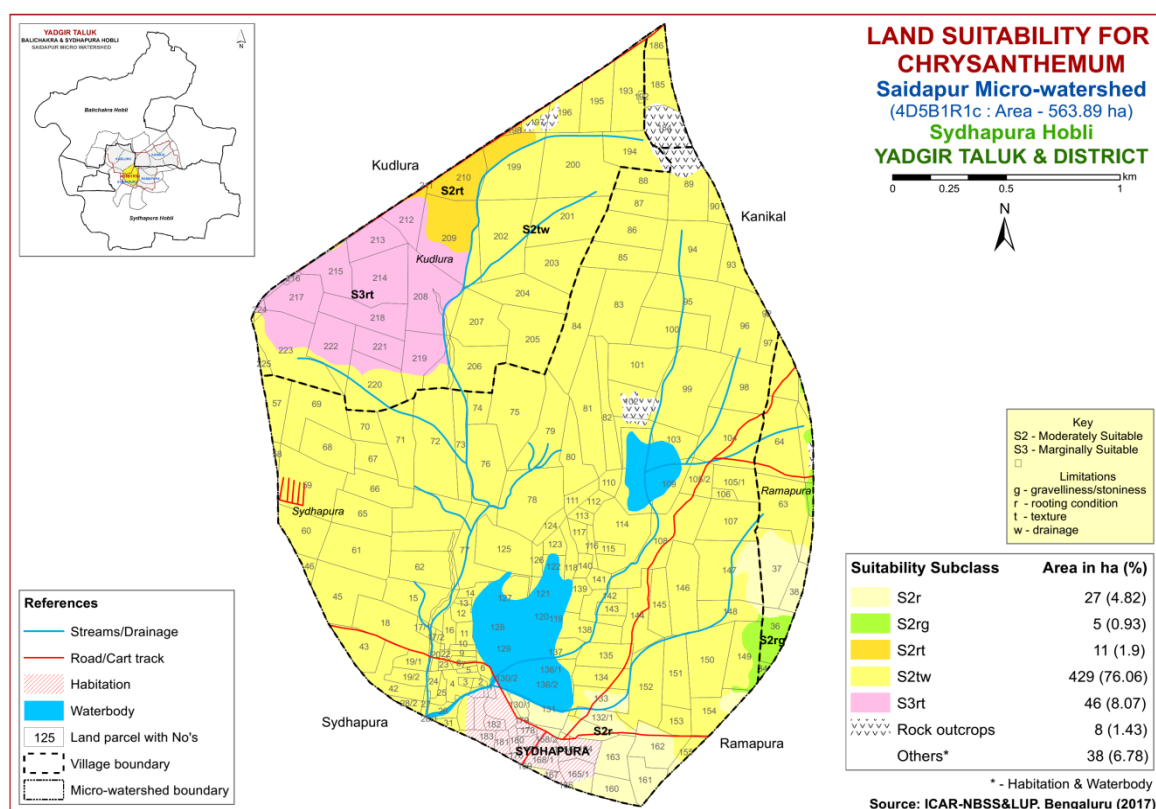


Fig. 7.26 Land Suitability map of Chrysanthemum

No highly suitable (Class S1) lands available for growing Chrysanthemum in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 472 ha (84%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing Chrysanthemum and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture, rooting depth, gravelliness and drainage. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing Chrysanthemum occupy an area of about 46 ha (8%) and are distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth and texture.

### 7.27 Land Management Units (LMUs)

The 18 soil map units identified in Saidapur microwatershed have been grouped into 4 Land Management Units (LMU's) for the purpose of preparing a Proposed Crop Plan. Land Management Units are grouped based on the similarities in respect of the type of soil, the depth of the soil, the surface soil texture, gravel content, AWC, slope, erosion etc. and a Land Management Units map (Fig. 7.28) has been generated. These Land Management Units are expected to behave similarly for a given level of management.

The 18 soil map units that have been grouped into 4 Land Management Units along with brief description of soil and site characteristics are given below.

LMU NO.	Soil map units	Soil and site characteristics
1	57. MDGcB2 77. RHNcB2 78. RHNcB3 79. RHNmB2 84. KDRcB2 87.KDRiB2 88.KDRiB3 89.KDRmB2 98.MYPiB2g1	Moderately deep to very deep soils (75 to >150 cm), 1-3 % slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15- 35%), moderate to severe erosion
2	27. YLRbB2 29. YLRcB2g1 31. YLRiB2	Moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm), 1-3 % slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15-35%) moderate erosion
3	71. RMPiB2 20.JNKcB2 21.JNKcB2g1 24. JNKiB3g1	Moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm), 1-3% slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15-35%), moderate erosion
4.	BDLhB2	Shallow soils (25-50 cm), 1-3% slopes, non gravelly (<15%), moderate erosion

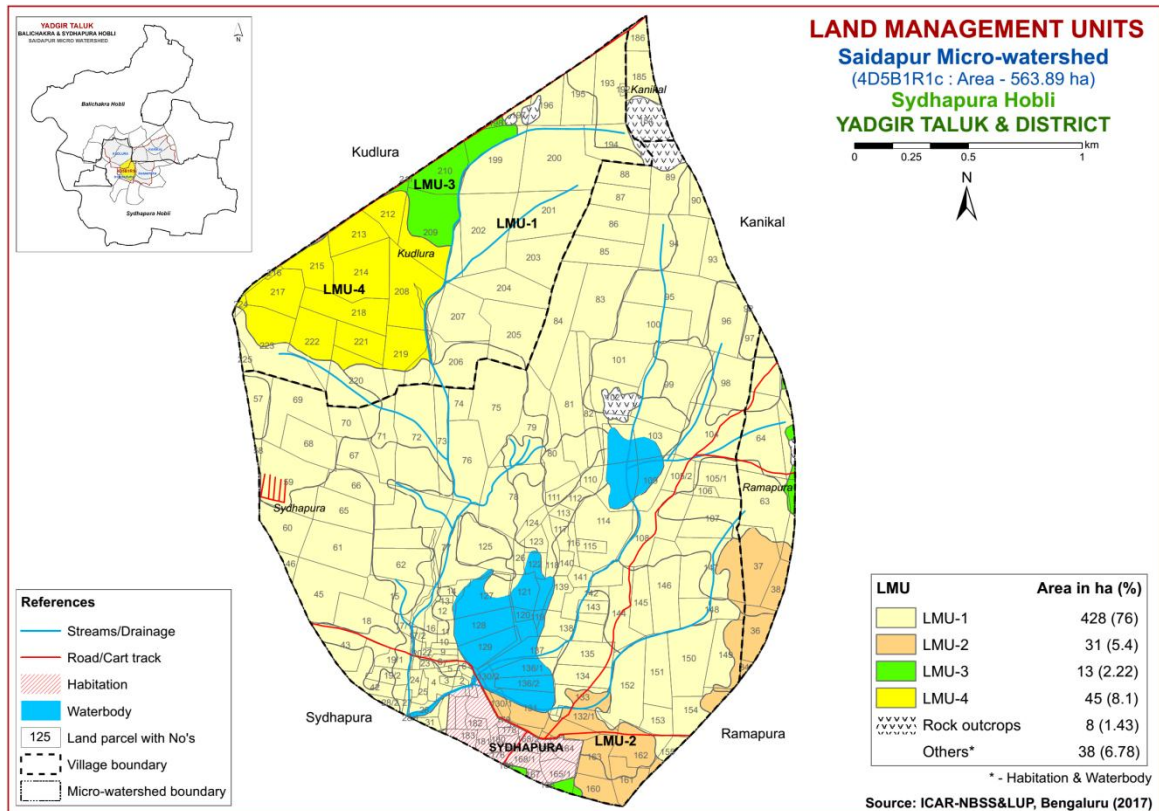


Fig. 7.27 Land Management Units Map of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 7.28 Proposed Crop Plan for Saidapur Microwatershed

After assessing the land suitability for the 26 crops, the proposed crop plan has been prepared for the 4 identified LMUs 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 below in Table 7.29.

**Table 7.28 Proposed Crop Plan for Saidapur Microwatershed**

<b>LMU No</b>	<b>Mapping Units</b>	<b>Survey Number</b>	<b>Soil Characteristics</b>	<b>Field Crops</b>	<b>Horticulture Crops</b>	<b>Suitable Interventions</b>
1	57. MDGcB2 77. RHNcB2 78. RHNcB3 79. RHNmB2 84. KDRcB2 87.KDRiB2 88.KDRiB3 89.KDRmB2 98.MYPiB2g1	<b>Kanikal:</b> 185,186 <b>Kudlura:</b> 192,193,194,195,196,197,199,200,201,202,203,204,205,206,207,220,223,225 <b>Ramapura:</b> 62,63,64,65,66,69 <b>Sydhapura:</b> 2,3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17/1,17/2,18,19/1,19/2,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28/1,28/2,31,42,43,45,46,57,58,59,60,61,62,63,64,65,66,67,68,69,70,71,72,73,74,75,76,77,78,79,8,80,81,82,83,84,85,86,87,88,89,90,92,93,94,95,96,97,98,99,100,101,102,103,104,105/1,105/2,106,107,108,109,110,111,112,113,114,115,116,117,118,123,124,125,126,134,135,138,139,140,141,142,143,144,145,146,147,148,149,150,151,152,153,154, 155	Moderately deep to very deep soils (75 to >150 cm), 1-3 % slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15-35%), moderate to severe erosion	Sunflower, Sorghum, Cotton, Bengal gram, Safflower, Linseed, Bajra	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Pomegranate,Lime, Musambi, Jamun, Amla, Custard apple, Tamarind <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	27. YLRbB2 29. YLRcB2g1 31. YLRiB2	<b>Ramapura:</b> 34,36,37,38 <b>Sydhapura:</b> 130/1,132/1,133,160,161,162,163	Moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm), 1-3 % slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15-35%) moderate erosion	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 soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)



3	71. RMPiB2 20.JNKcB2 21.JNKcB2g1 24. JNKiB3g1	<b>Kudlura:</b> 198,209,210,211 <b>Ramapura:</b> 61 <b>Sydhapura:</b> 166,169	Moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm), 1-3% slopes, non gravelly to gravelly (<15-35%), moderate erosion	Bengal gram, Sorghum, Bajra, Safflower, Linseed, Coriander	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Custard apple <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Jasmine, Chrysanthemum	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
4	4. BDLhB2	<b>Kudlura:</b> 208,212,213,214,215,216,217,218,219, 221,222,224	Shallow soils (25-50 cm), 1-3% slopes, non gravelly (<15%), moderate erosion	Bengal gram, Safflower, Linseed, Coriander	<b>Agri-Silvi Pasture:</b> Hybrid Napier, <i>Styloxanthes hamata</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 health is basic to plant health and plant health is basic to human and bovine 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 unfavorable conditions occur

#### **Characteristics of Saidapur Microwatershed**

- ❖ The soil phases identified in the microwatershed belonged to the soil series of RHN227ha (40%), KDR190 ha (33%), BDL46 ha (8%), YLR30 ha (5%), MDG12 ha (2%), RMP11 ha (2%), JNK2 ha (<1%) and MYP2 ha (<1%).
- ❖ As per land capability classification entire area of the microwatershed falls under arable land category (Class II & III). The major limitations identified in the arable lands were soil and erosion.
- ❖ On the basis of soil reaction, about 50 ha (9%) is neutral (pH 6.5 -7.3), 379 ha (67%) area is slightly to moderately alkaline (pH 7.3-8.4) and 89 ha (16%) is strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 - 9.0).

## **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.

### **Acid soils**

1. Growing of crops suitable for a particular soil pH.
2. Amelioration of the soils through the application of amendments (liming materials).

Liming materials:

1.  $\text{CaCO}_3$  (Calcium Carbonate)
2. Dolomite [ $\text{Ca Mg} (\text{CO}_3)_2$ ]
3. Quick lime (Cao)
4. Slaked lime [ $\text{Ca} (\text{OH})_2$ ]

For normal pH and pH 4.8 (35 t/ha) and pH 6.0-7.0 (4 t/ha) lime is required.

### **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  $\text{ZnSO}_4$  – 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 564 ha area in the microwatershed, an area of about 518 ha is suffering from moderate and severe erosion. These areas need immediate soil and water conservation and, other land development and land husbandry practices for restoring soil health.

### **Dissemination of Information and Communication of 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 (Saturation Plan) and Interventions needed**

Net planning (Saturation Plan) in IWMP is focusing on preparation of

1. Soil and Water Conservation 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 (Saturation Plan) 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 can 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 Saidapur microwatershed.

- ❖ **Organic Carbon:** The OC content (an index of available Nitrogen) is high in (>0.75%) in about 341 ha (61%), medium (0.5-0.75%) in 151 ha (27%) area and low (<0.5%) in 25 ha (4%). The areas that are medium and low 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 costs 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 176 ha area where OC is low to medium (<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:** Available Phosphorus is low (<23 kg/ha) in an area of 174 ha (31%) and medium (23-57 kg/ha) in 258 ha (45%) of the microwatershed. In 88 ha (16%) area, the available phosphorus is high (>57 kg/ha). For all the crops, 25% additional P needs to be applied where available P is low and medium.
- ❖ **Available Potassium:** Available potassium is low (<145 kg/ha) in 13 ha (2%) and medium (145-337 kg/ha) in maximum area of 326 ha (58%) of the microwatershed and an area of about 179 ha (32%) is high (>337 kg/ha) in available potassium. All the plots, where available potassium is low and medium, for all the crops, additional 25 % potassium may be applied.
- ❖ **Available Sulphur:** Available sulphur is a very critical nutrient for oilseed crops, it is medium in 229 ha (41%) and low in 289 ha (51%). 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.
- ❖ **Available Boron:** An area of 84ha (15%) is low, 340ha (60%) is medium and 94 ha (17%) is high. In areas of low and medium, application of sodium borate @ 10 kg/ha as soil application or 0.2 % borax as foliar spray is recommended.
- ❖ **Available Iron:** Entire area in the microwatershed is sufficient in available iron.
- ❖ **Available Zinc:** An area of about 484 ha (86%) of the microwatershed is deficient in available zinc content. Application of zinc sulphate @25 kg/ha is to be recommended for these areas. About 33 ha (6%) area is sufficient in available zinc content.
- ❖ **Soil Alkalinity:** The microwatershed has 468ha (83%) area with soils that are slightly to strongly alkaline. 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 and not suitable for growing various crops are indicated. Along with the



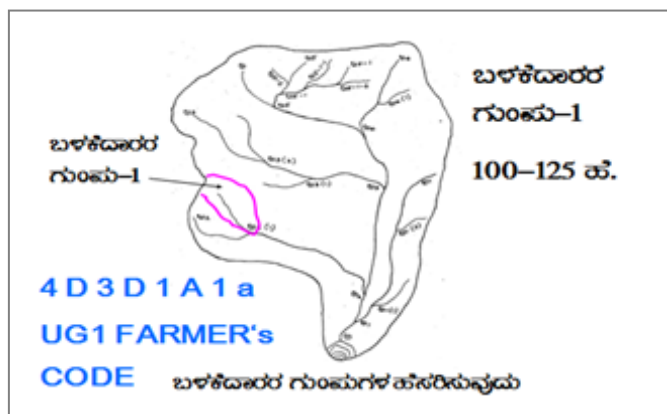
suitability, various constraints that are limiting the productivity are also indicated. For example, in case of cotton, gravel content, rooting depth and salinity/alkalinity are the major constraints in various plots. With suitable management interventions, the productivity can be enhanced. In order to increase the 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 Saidapurmicrowatershed, 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
- Rainfall
- 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 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>  
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cadastral map (1:7920 scale) is enlarged to a scale of 1:2500 scale</li> <li>Existing network of waterways, pothissa boundaries, grass belts, natural drainage lines/ watercourse, cut ups/ terraces are marked on the cadastral map to the scale</li> <li>Drainage lines are demarcated into</li> </ul>		
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 (bg<sub>0</sub>... b=loamy sand, g<sub>0</sub> = <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 soils	
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 clayey soils	
0.45	2	0.75	01:01	0.92		
0.45	2.4	0.75	1.3:1	1.07	Shallow black clayey soils	
0.6	3.1	0.7	1.78:1	1.29	Medium black clayey 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:

**TRENCH CUM BUND**

**'A' FRAME FOR INTERBUND MANAGEMENT**

1. ಸುಮಾರು 1.2 ಮೀಟರ್ ಉದ್ದವು
2. ಸುಮಾರು 1.2 ಮೀಟರ್ ವಿಸ್ತಾರ/ನಾಟಿ

ಸುಮಾರು 1.2 ಮೀಟರ್

**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>					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 from water budgeting and quality of water in the wells and site suitability.
- e) Detailed Leveling 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. An area of about 31ha (5%) needs Trench cum Bunding and maximum area of 487 ha (86%) needs Graded bunding.

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

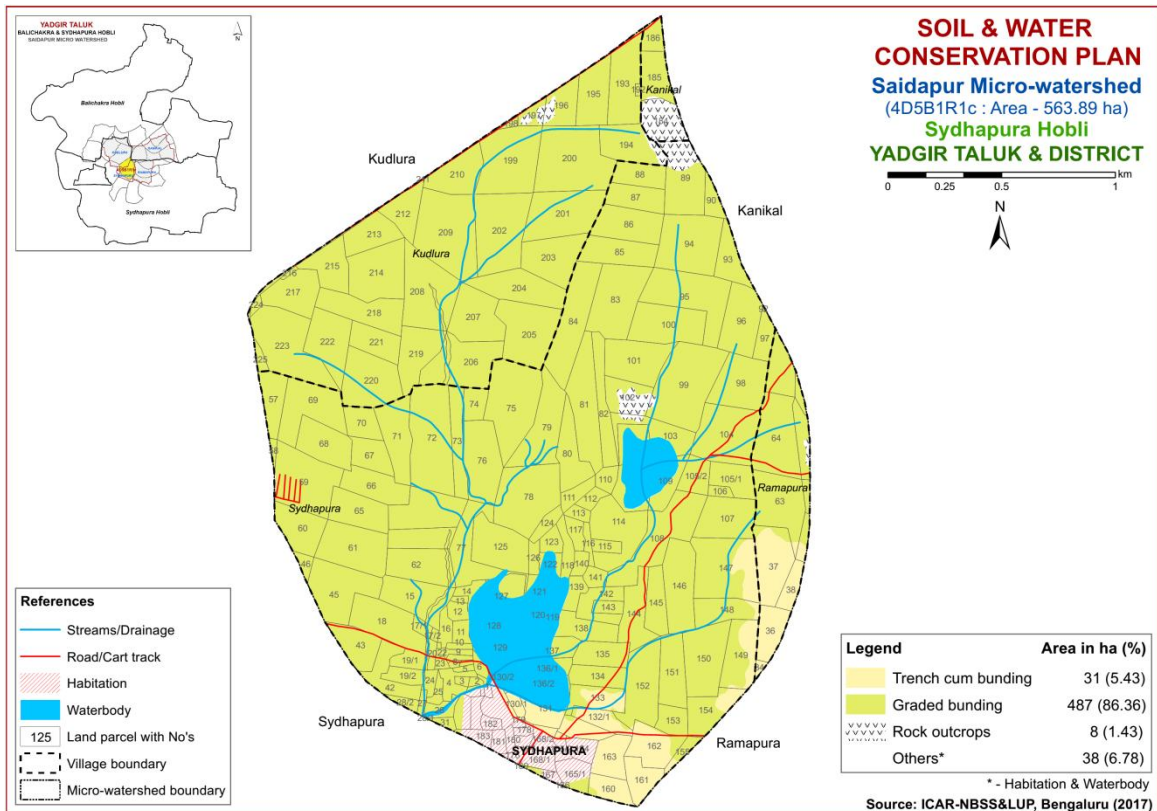


Fig. 9.1 Soil and Water Conservation Plan map of Saidapur Microwatershed

### 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 VII and VIII) 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 dugout 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 Nerale (*Sizyziumcumini*) and Bamboo. Dry areas are to be planted with species like Honge, Bevu, Seetapha*etc.*

<b>Dry Deciduous Species</b>			<b>Temp (°C)</b>	<b>Rainfall (mm)</b>
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 chelanoides</i>	25 - 45	500 -2000
12.	Dhupa	<i>Boswella Serrata</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
13.	Nelli	<i>Embllica Officinalis</i>	20 - 50	500 -1500
14.	Honne	<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
<b>Moist Deciduous Species</b>			<b>Temp (°C)</b>	<b>Rainfall (mm)</b>
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>Embllica officinalis</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
29.	Nerale	<i>Sizyzium 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**  
Saidhapur Microwatershed  
Soil Phase Information

Village	Survey No.	Area (ha)	Soil Phase	LMU	Soil Depth	Surface Soil Texture	Soil Graveliness	Available Water Capacity	Slope	Soil Erosion	Current Land Use	WELLS	Land Capability	Conservation Plan
Sydhapura	1	0.3	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	2	0.3	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	3	0.24	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	4	1.21	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	5	0.22	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	6	0.48	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	7	0.29	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	8	0.28	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	9	0.33	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	10	0.31	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	11	0.76	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	12	0.74	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	13	0.21	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	14	0.78	KDRiB3	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	15	4.16	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	1 Borewell	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	16	0.84	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	17/1	0.45	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	17/2	0.17	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	18	4.84	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
Sydhapura	19/1	1.06	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	19/2	1.19	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
Sydhapura	20	0.51	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding

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Sydhapura	21	0.05	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	22	0.14	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	23	0.29	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	24	0.58	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	25	0.54	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	26	0.95	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	27	0.34	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	28/1	0	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
Sydhapura	28/2	0.53	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
Sydhapura	31	0.41	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	42	2.72	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	43	2.93	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	45	5.69	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	46	0.57	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	57	2.48	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	58	0.28	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	59	6.7	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	60	3.44	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	61	5.54	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	62	4.02	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
Sydhapura	63	2.44	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
Sydhapura	64	4.7	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
Sydhapura	65	3.62	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
Sydhapura	66	3.39	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly	Very high	Very gently	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not	Iles	Graded

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							(<15%)	(>200 mm/m)	sloping (1-3%)			Available		bunding
Sydhapura	67	2.31	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	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	68	3.74	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	69	5.43	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton+No crop (Ct+Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	70	1.99	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	71	4.12	KDRmB2	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	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	72	8.45	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut+No crop (Gn+Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	73	2.69	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	74	1.44	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	75	7.69	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton+Groundnut (Ct+Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	76	5.36	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	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	77	4.16	KDRiB3	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	78	7.22	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	79	5.38	KDRiB3	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	80	3.38	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	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	81	5.87	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut+Jowar (Gn+Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	82	3.05	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	83	6.41	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	84	6.4	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	85	3.62	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	86	4.12	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	87	2.64	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	88	2.32	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	89	5.32	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding

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Sydhapura	90	1.1	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	92	0.02	MYPiB2g1	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	93	2.36	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	94	6.6	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	95	6.84	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	96	4.57	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	97	1.4	MYPiB2g1	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	98	4.9	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	99	8.81	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	100	5.21	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	101	4.8	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	102	2.79	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	103	3.66	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	104	6.37	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	105/1	2.45	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	105/2	1.87	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	106	0.48	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	107	4.33	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	108	6.79	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Jowar+No crop (Jw+Nc)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	109	2.72	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	110	0.92	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	111	1.06	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
Sydhapura	112	0.75	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	113	0.58	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy	Non gravelly	Very high	Very gently	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not	Iles	Graded



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						clay	(<15%)	(>200 mm/m)	sloping (1-3%)			Available		bunding
Sydhapura	114	5.31	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	115	0.7	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	116	0.53	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	117	0.91	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	118	1.91	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	119	0.2	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	120	0.43	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	121	1.7	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	122	1.01	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	123	0.94	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	124	0.92	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	125	4.7	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	126	0.68	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	Iies	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	127	0.25	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	127	3.36	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	128	0.71	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	128	2.73	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	129	0.31	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	129	2.31	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	130/1	0.6	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iies	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	130/2	0.59	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	131	2.98	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	132/1	3.31	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iies	Trench cum bunding

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Sydhapura	133	2.54	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton+Jowar (Ct+Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	134	2.25	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
Sydhapura	135	2.51	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
Sydhapura	136/1	1.88	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	136/2	1.56	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	137	2.47	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	138	2.72	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram+Paddy (Rg+Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	139	1.22	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	140	0.68	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	141	0.81	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	142	2.17	KDRcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	143	0.77	KDRiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	144	3.45	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	145	2.48	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	146	5.15	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	147	7.42	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	148	2.93	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	149	4.12	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	150	5.36	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	151	3.54	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	152	5.27	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	1 Borewell	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	153	1.62	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
Sydhapura	154	3.17	KDRmB2	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
Sydhapura	155	0.79	KDRmB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly	Very high	Very gently	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not	Iles	Graded



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							(<15%)	(>200 mm/m)	sloping (1-3%)			Available		bunding
Sydhapura	160	1.89	YLRiB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+No crop (Jw+Nc)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	161	2.2	YLRiB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	162	3.37	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	163	2.53	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Sydhapura	164	1.2	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	165/1	1.79	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	165/2	0.66	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	166	0.01	JNKcB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	167	0.53	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	168/1	1.1	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	168/2	1.14	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	169	0.01	JNKcB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Sydhapura	176	0.46	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	177	0.39	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	178	0.38	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	179	0.17	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	180	0.43	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	181	0.64	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	182	0.5	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	183	0.78	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	184	0.69	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	185	1	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Sydhapura	186	0.29	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others

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Kanikal	184	3.07	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops
Kanikal	185	2.65	MDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kanikal	186	1.13	MDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton+Redgram (Ct+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	192	0.13	MDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	193	4.9	MDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	194	4.01	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	195	3.74	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	196	2.45	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	197	1.01	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	198	0.27	RMPiB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	199	7.24	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	200	8.66	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar+Redgram (Jw+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	201	6.29	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	202	7.49	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	203	4.65	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	204	4.65	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	205	6.17	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	206	5.56	KDRmB2	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
Kudlura	207	4.68	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	208	6.65	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	1 Check Dam	IIles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	209	8.69	RMPiB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	210	3.7	RMPiB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	211	0.01	RMPiB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Kudlura	212	2.67	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy	Non gravelly	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIles	Graded bunding

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						clay loam	(<15%)	mm/m)	sloping (1-3%)			Available		bunding
Kudlura	213	3.01	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	214	5.63	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut (Gn)	1 Borewell	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	215	3.16	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	216	0.12	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	217	3.72	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	218	4.4	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut+Jowar (Gn+Jw)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	219	3.86	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	220	5.49	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Kudlura	221	2.66	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	222	4.48	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	223	7.45	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Kudlura	224	0.27	BDLhB2	LMU-4	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Kudlura	225	0.47	RHNcB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Ramapura	34	0.26	YLRcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Ies	Trench cum bunding
Ramapura	36	2.56	YLRcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Trench cum bunding
Ramapura	37	4.77	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Trench cum bunding
Ramapura	38	1.43	YLRbB2	LMU-2	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Loamy sand	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Ies	Trench cum bunding
Ramapura	61	0.39	JNkCb2g1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Ramapura	62	0.74	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Ramapura	63	5.38	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Cotton (Ct)	Not Available	Ies	Graded bunding
Ramapura	64	6.13	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Ramapura	65	1.71	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	Redgram+No crop (Rg+Nc)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Ramapura	66	0.43	RHNcB3	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Severe	No crop (Nc)	Not Available	IIes	Graded bunding
Ramapura	69	2.53	RHNmB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep	Clay	Non gravelly	Medium (101-	Very gently	Moderate	Cotton+No crop	Not	Ies	Graded

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					(75-100 cm)		(<15%)	150 mm/m	sloping (1-3%)		(Ct+Nc)	Available		bunding













Village	Survey No.	Soil Reaction	Salinity	Organic Carbon	Available Phosphorus	Available Potassium	Available Sulphur	Available Boron	Available Iron	Available Manganese	Available Copper	Available Zinc
Sydhapura	116	Strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 - 9.0)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	117	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	118	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	119	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	120	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	121	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	122	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	123	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	124	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	125	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	126	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	127	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	127	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	128	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	128	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	129	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	129	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	130/1	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	130/2	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	131	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	132/1	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	133	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	134	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	135	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)



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Sydhapura	163	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Low (< 0.5 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	164	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	165/1	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	165/2	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	166	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	167	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	168/1	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	168/2	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	169	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Sydhapura	176	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	177	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	178	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	179	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	180	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	181	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	182	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	183	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	184	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	185	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Sydhapura	186	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Kanikal	184	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops	Rock outcrops
Kanikal	185	Neutral (pH 6.5 - 7.3)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Low (< 0.5 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Kanikal	186	Neutral (pH 6.5 - 7.3)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Low (< 0.5 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Kudlura	192	Neutral (pH 6.5 - 7.3)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (> 1.0 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Low (< 0.5 ppm)	sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)

























# **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:** Saidapur micro-watershed (Yadgir taluk and district) is located in between  $16^{\circ}33'$  –  $16^{\circ}34'$  North latitudes and  $77^{\circ}15'$  –  $76^{\circ}16'$  East longitudes, covering an area of about 563.89 ha, bounded by Kanikal, Kudlura, Ramapura and Sydhapura 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 Saidapur micro-watershed in Yadgir taluk and district are presented here.

### **Social Indicators;**

- ❖ Male and female ratio is 57.06 to 42.94 per cent to the total sample population.
- ❖ Younger age group 18 to 50 of population is around 57.1 per cent to the total population.
- ❖ Literacy population is around 51.5 per cent.
- ❖ Social groups belong to other backward caste (OBC) are around 48.4 per cent.
- ❖ Fire wood is the source of energy for a cooking among all sample households.
- ❖ About 22.6 per cent of households have a yashaswini health card.
- ❖ About 16.1 per cent farm households having MGNREGA card for rural employment.
- ❖ Dependence on ration cards for food grains through public distribution system is around 83.9 per cent.
- ❖ Swach bharath program providing closed toilet facilities around 19.4 per cent of sample households.
- ❖ Women participation in decisions making are around 77 per cent of households were found.

### **Economic Indicators;**

- ❖ The average land holding is 1.91ha indicates that majority of farm households are belonging to marginal and small farmers. The account for dry land of 56.7 ha among the total cultivated land among the sample households.

- ❖ *Agriculture is the main occupation is only 0.6 per cent and agriculture is the main and non agriculture labour is subsidiary occupation for 65.0 per cent of sample households.*
- ❖ *The average value of domestic assets is around Rs.82233per household. Mobile and television are popular media mass communication.*
- ❖ *The average value of farm assets is around Rs.179881 per household, about 29.0 per cent of sample farmers are owing plough.*
- ❖ *The average value of livestock is around Rs.25152 per household; about 22.58 per cent of household are having livestock.*
- ❖ *The average per capita food consumption is around 1020.22 grams (2216.39 kilo calories) against national institute of nutrition recommendation at 827 gram. Around 23 per cent of sample households are consuming more than the NIN recommendation.*
- ❖ *The annual average income is around Rs. 41470 per household. About 90.3 per cent of farm households are below poverty line.*
- ❖ *The per capita monthly average expenditure is around Rs.2706.*

#### ***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.9890/ ha/year. Per hectare food grain production services is maximum in ground nut (Rs.20268) followed by cotton (Rs.11313), green gram (Rs.9112), red gram (Rs.7599), paddy (Rs.9112) and maize (Rs.5435).*
- ❖ *The average value of ecosystem service for fodder production is around Rs.676/ ha/year. Per hectare fodder production services is maximum in groundnut (Rs. 1029) followed by paddy (Rs.823) and maize (Rs.176).*
- ❖ *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 green gram (Rs.69084) followed by red gram (Rs.59505), cotton (Rs.42991), paddy (Rs. 34436), maize (Rs. 26342) and groundnut (Rs.22905).*

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

- ❖ *The major cropping pattern is red gram (58.6 %) followed by cotton (15.4 %), maize (13.0%), green gram (7.1%), groundnut (3.9 %) and paddy (1.9 %).*
- ❖ *The total cost of cultivation in study area for cotton ranges between Rs.42960/ha in small farmers (with BCR of 1.18) and Rs.21800/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.44)*

- ❖ *In Green gram the cost of cultivation range between Rs.35897/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.04) and Rs.30209/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.37)*
- ❖ *In red gram cost of cultivation range between Rs.43673/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.21) and Rs.11725/ha in medium farmers (with BCR of 1.31),*
- ❖ *In maize the cost of cultivation range between is Rs.27940/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.80) and Rs.26033/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.44)*
- ❖ *In paddy the cost of cultivation is Rs.17985/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.37).*
- ❖ *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 is 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 (27.7 to 38.7 %), maize (60.4 to 87.4 %), paddy (64.9 %), and red gram (19.7 to 36.4 %).*





## 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*

Saidapur 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. Its represented Agro Ecological Sub Region (AESR) 6.2: with LPG 120-150 days.

Saidapur micro-watershed (Yadgir taluk and district) is located in between  $16^{\circ}33'$  –  $16^{\circ}34'$  North latitudes and  $77^{\circ}15'$  –  $76^{\circ}16'$  East longitudes, covering an area of about 563.89 ha, bounded by Kanikal, Kudlura, Ramapura and Sydhapura 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).

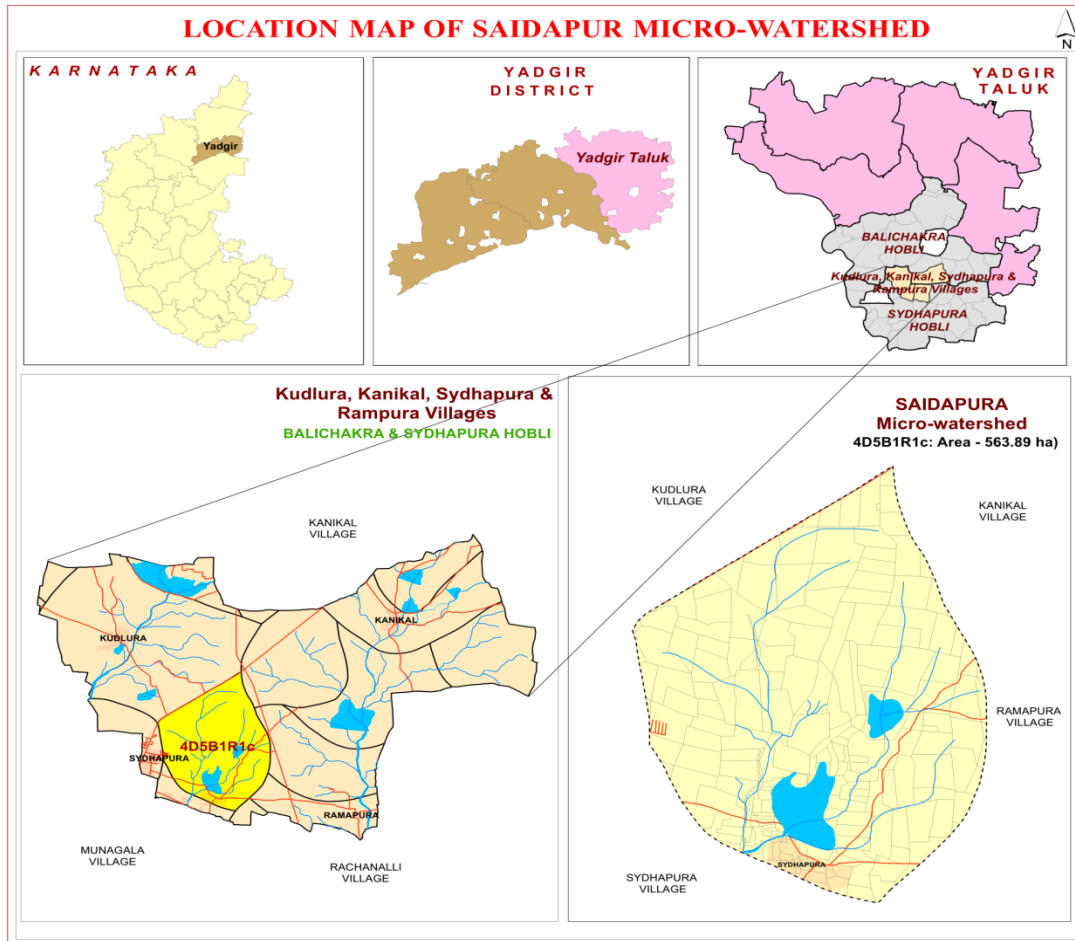


Figure 1: Location of study area

### 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.

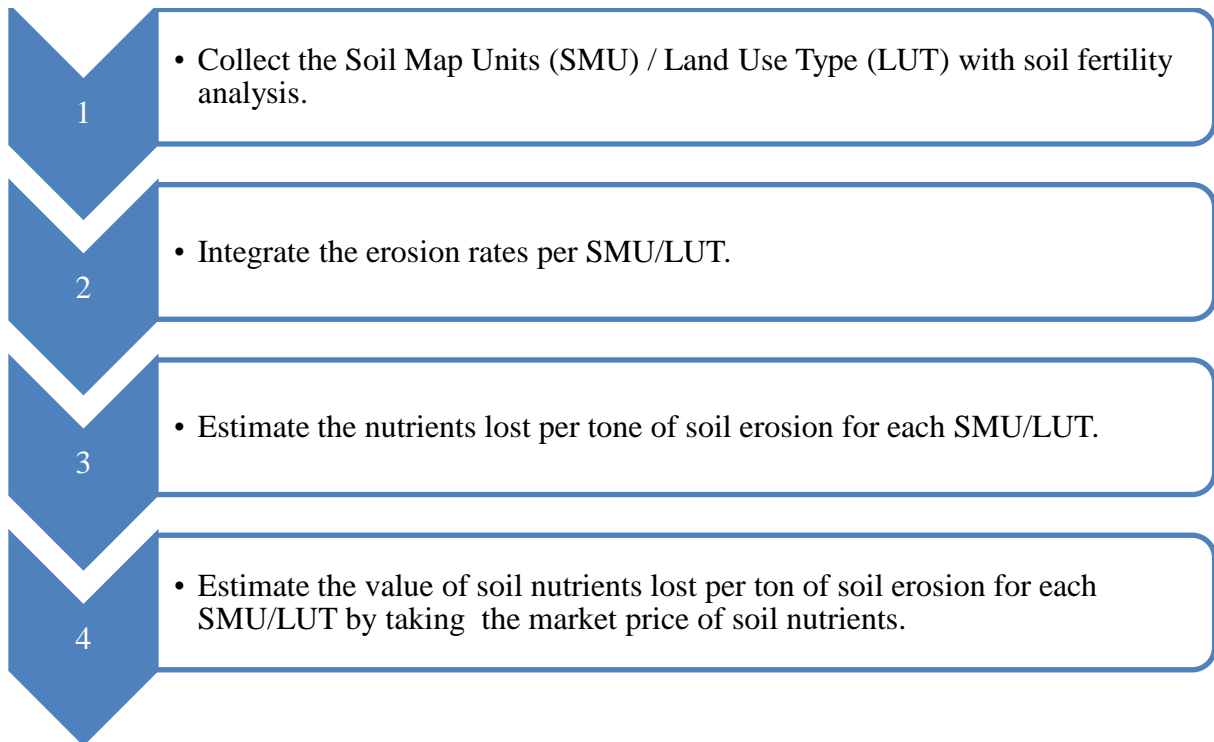
Benefit Cost Ratio = Net returns/Total cost.

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 163, out of which 57.06 per cent were males and 42.94 per cent females. Average family size of the households is 5.3 among the sample population (Table 1).

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

Particulars	MF (66)		SF (39)		SMF (50)		MDF (8)		ALL (163)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Male	35	53.03	27	69.23	28	56.0	3	37.50	93	57.06
Female	31	46.97	12	30.77	22	44.0	5	62.50	70	42.94
Total human population	66	100	39	100	50	100	8	100	163	100
Average family size	6.0		4.9		5.0		4.0		5.3	

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 (31.3 %) followed by 0 to 18 years (30.7 %), 30 to 50 years (25.8 %) and more than 50 years (12.3 %). 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 Saidapur micro-watershed**

Particulars	MF(66)		SF(39)		SMF(50)		MDF(8)		ALL (163)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
0 to 18 years	27	40.9	8	20.5	15	30.0		0.0	50	30.7
18 to 30 years	17	25.8	15	38.5	14	28.0	5	62.5	51	31.3
30 to 50 years	17	25.8	12	30.8	12	24.0	1	12.5	42	25.8
>50 years	5	7.6	4	10.3	9	18.0	2	25.0	20	12.3
Grand total	66	100	39	100	50	100	8	100	163	100
Average age	26.4		31.0		32.1		34.3		29.7	

Data on literacy (Table 3) indicated that 48.5 per cent of respondents were illiterate and 51.5 per cent literate with highest of high school education (13.5 %) followed by the middle school education (12.3 %), primary school education (10.4 %), graduates (8.0 %) and senior secondary education (7.4 %).

The ethnic groups among the sample farm households found to be 48.4 per cent belonging to other backward castes (OBC) followed by 32.3 per cent belong to scheduled caste (SC), 12.9 per cent belong to general caste and 6.5 per cent belonging to scheduled tribes among the sample population (Table 4 and Figure 3).



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

Particulars	MF(66)		SF(39)		SMF(50)		MDF(8)		ALL (163)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Illiterates	27	40.9	24	61.5	25	50.0	3	37.5	79	48.5
Literates	39	59.1	15	38.5	25	50.0	5	62.5	84	51.5
Primary School (<5 class)	10	15.2	4	10.3	3	6.0		0.0	17	10.4
Middle School (6- 8 class)	12	18.2	2	5.1	6	12.0		0.0	20	12.3
High School (9- 10 class)	12	18.2	4	10.3	6	12.0		0.0	22	13.5
Senior secondary	3	4.5	4	10.3	4	8.0	1	12.5	12	7.4
Graduate	2	3.0	1	2.6	6	12.0	4	50.0	13	8.0
Grand Total	66	100	39	100	50	100	8	100	163	100

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

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
SC	3	27.3	3	37.5	3	30.0	1	50.0	10	32.3
ST	1	9.1	1	12.5		0.0		0.0	2	6.5
OBC	6	54.5	3	37.5	5	50.0	1	50.0	15	48.4
General	1	9.1	1	12.5	2	20.0		0.0	4	12.9
Grand total	11	100	8	100	10	100	2	100	31	100

Among the entire sample households are using fire wood as source of fuel for cooking. All the sample farmers are having electricity connection. About 22.6 per cent are sample households having health cards. Only 16.1 per cent of having MNREGA job cards for employment generation. About 83.9 per cent of farm households are having ration cards for taking food grains from public distribution system. About 19.4 per cent of farm households are having toilet facilities (Table 5).

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

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>Types of fuel use for cooking</b>										
Fire wood	11	100.0	8	100.0	10	100.0	2	100.0	31	100.0
<b>Energy supply for home</b>										
Electricity	11	100.0	8	100.0	10	100.0	2	100.0	31	100.0
<b>Health Card</b>										
Yes	2	18.2	2	25.0	3	30.0		0.0	7	22.6
No	9	81.8	6	75.0	7	70.0	2	100.0	24	77.4
<b>NREGA</b>										
Yes	1	9.1	2	25.0	2	20.0		0.0	5	16.1
No	10	90.9	6	75.0	8	80.0	2	100.0	26	83.9
<b>Ration Card</b>										
Yes	9	81.8	6	75.0	9	90.0	2	100.0	26	83.9
No	2	18.2	2	25.0	1	10.0		0.0	5	16.1
<b>Household with toilet</b>										
Yes	2	18.2	1	12.5	2	20.0	1	50.0	6	19.4
No	9	81.8	7	87.5	8	80.0	1	50.0	25	80.6
<b>Drinking Water</b>										
Tank	11	100.0	8	100.0	10	100.0	2	100.0	31	100.0

The data collected on the source of drinking water in the study area is presented in Table 5. All the sample respondents are having tank source for water supply for domestic purpose.

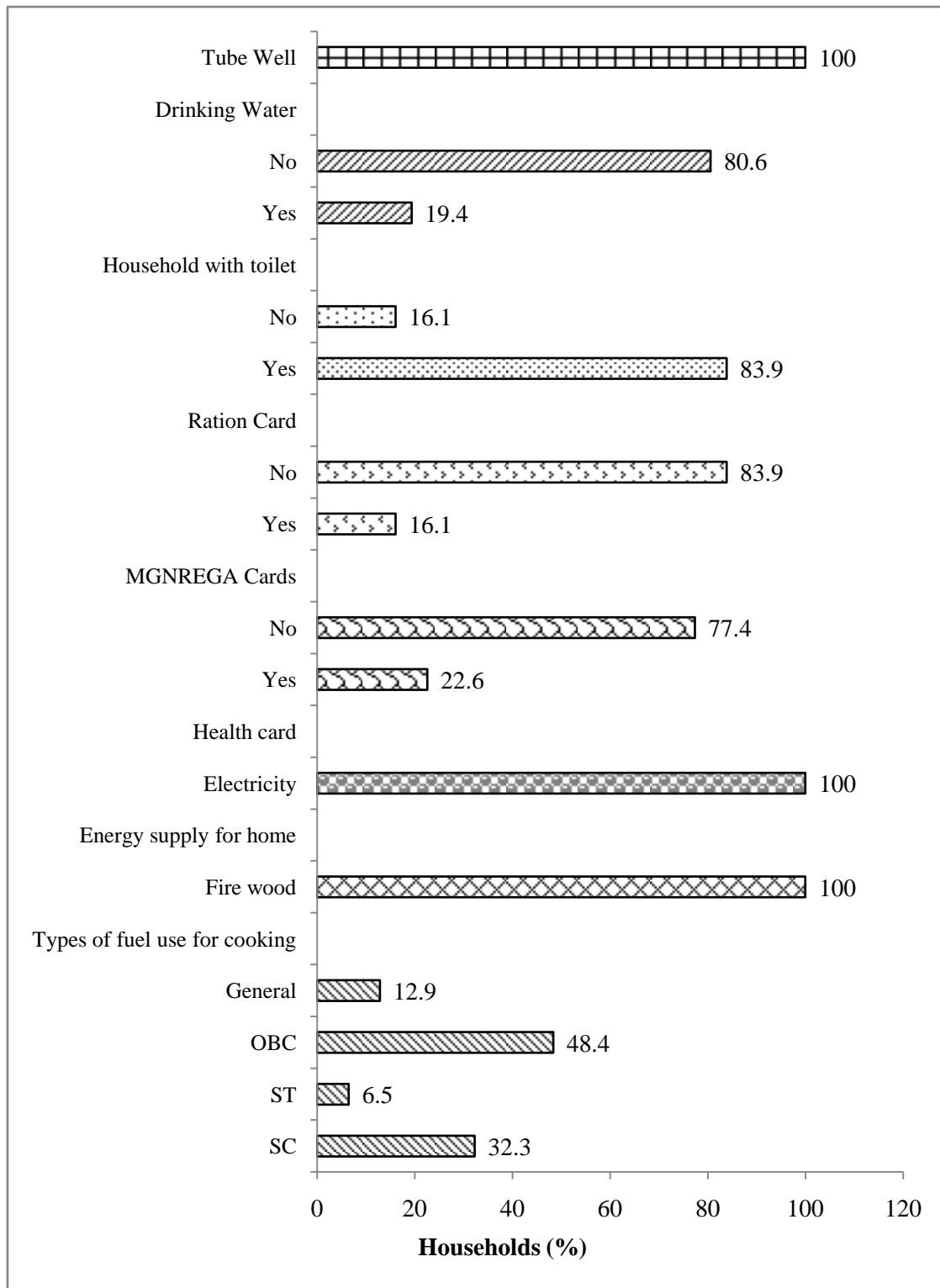


Figure 3: Basic needs of sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed

The occupational pattern (Table 6) among sample households shows that agriculture is the main occupation is around 0.6 per cent and agriculture is a main and non

agriculture labour is subsidiary occupations around 65.0 per cent of population. Non agriculture is the main occupation is around 1.2 per cent. Private services are main occupation and non agriculture labour is subsidiary occupations around 1.8 per cent.

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

Occupation		MF (66)		SF (39)		SMF (50)		MDF (8)		ALL (163)	
Main	Subsidiary	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Agriculture	Agriculture		0.0	1	2.6		0.0		0.0	1	0.6
	Agriculture Labour		0.0	3	7.7		0.0		0.0	3	1.8
	Non Agriculture Labour	39	59.1	26	66.7	34	68.0	7	87.5	106	65.0
Non Agriculture Labour			0.0		0.0	2	4.0		0.0	2	1.2
Private service	Non Agriculture Labour	1	1.5	1	2.6		0.0	1	12.5	3	1.8
Studying		26	39.4	8	20.5	14	28.0		0.0	48	29.4
Grand Total		66	100	39	100	50	100	8	100	163	100
<b>Family labour availability</b>						<b>Man days/month</b>					
Male		58	58	108	76	56	63	25	56	68	65
Female		42	42	34	24	33	37	20	44	37	35
<b>Total</b>		100	100	142	100	90	100	45	100	105	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 mobile phone (100 %) followed by television (64.5 %), motorcycle (22.6 %), mixer/grinder (19.4 %), bicycle (6.5%), refrigerator (6.5%), auto, radio and four wheeler are 3.2%, respectively. The average value of domestic assets is around Rs.82233 per households.

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

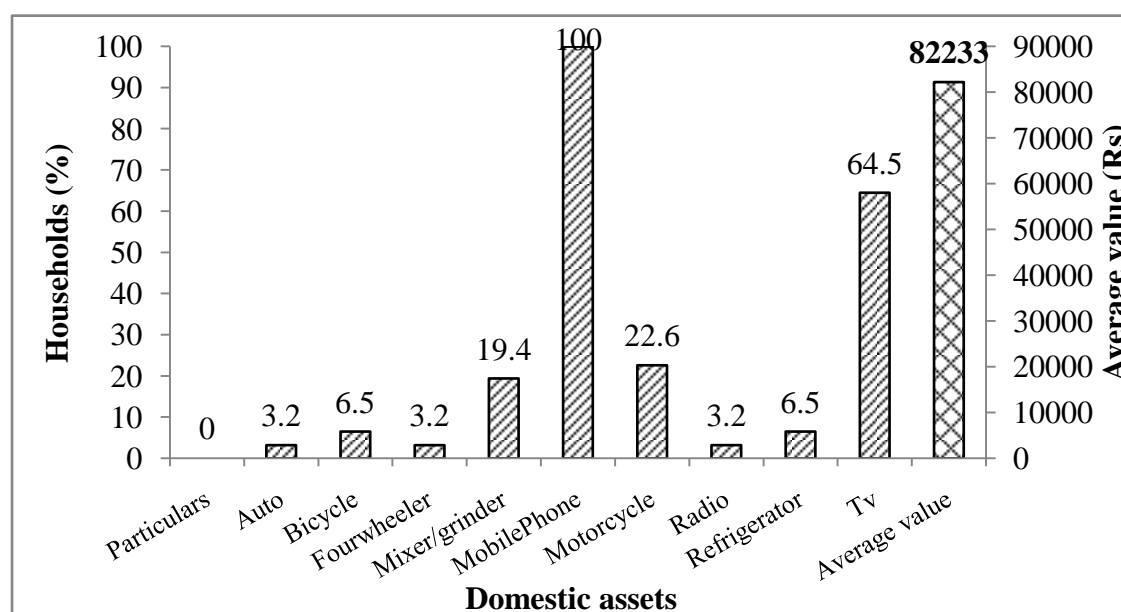
Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Auto	1	9.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
Bicycle	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	1	50.0	2	6.5
Four wheeler	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	1	3.2
Mixer/grinder	0	0.0	2	25.0	2	20.0	2	100.0	6	19.4
Mobile Phone	11	100.0	8	100.0	10	100.0	2	100.0	31	100.0
Motorcycle	1	9.1	2	25.0	3	30.0	1	50.0	7	22.6
Radio	0	0.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
Refrigerator	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	1	50.0	2	6.5
Television	5	45.5	6	75.0	7	70.0	2	100.0	20	64.5

#### **Average value of durable assets**

The data regarding the average value of durable assets owned by the households in Saidapur micro watershed is presented in Table 8. The results shows that the average value of auto was Rs.150000, the average value of bicycle was 3750, the average value of four wheeler was Rs.500000, the average value of mixer grinder was Rs.2083, the average value of radio was Rs.10000, television was Rs.8051, Refrigerator was Rs.9000 and mobile phone was Rs.5784.

**Table 8: Average value of durable asset of Saidapur micro-watershed**

Particulars	(Rupees)				
	MF(11)	SF(8)	SMF(10)	MDF(2)	ALL (31)
Auto	150000				150000
Bicycle			2500	5000	3750
Four wheeler				500000	500000
Mixer/grinder		2000	2250	2000	2083
Mobile Phone	4045	8125	4480	12500	5784
Motorcycle	50000	50000	50000	60000	51429
Radio		10000			10000
Refrigerator			8000	10000	9000
Television	6202	9333	7714	10000	8051
Average Value	52562	15892	12491	85643	82233

**Figure 4: Domestic assets among the sample households in Saidapur 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 (22.6 %), plough (29.0 %), power tiller (6.5%), seed cum fertilizer drill (9.7 %), tractor (12.9 %) and sprayer (25.8%) was found highest among the sample farmers. the average value of farm assets is around Rs. 179881 per households (Table 9 and Figure 5).

**Table 9: Farm assets among samples households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Bullock cart	3	27.3	1	12.5	3	30.0	0	0.0	7	22.6
Plough	5	45.5	1	12.5	3	30.0	0	0.0	9	29.0
Power Tiller	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	1	50.0	2	6.5
Seed Cum Fertilizer Drill	1	9.1	0	0.0	2	20.0	0	0.0	3	9.7
Sprayer	3	27.3	0	0.0	4	40.0	1	50.0	8	25.8
Tractor	1	9.1	0	0.0	2	20.0	1	50.0	4	12.9

### Average value of farm implements

The data regarding the average value of farm Implements owned by the households in Melekote-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 10. The results show that the average value of bullock cart was Rs.18571, the average value of plough was Rs.4333, the average value of power tiller was Rs.60000, the average value of seed cum fertilizer drill was Rs.43333, the average value of tractor was Rs. 950000 and the average value of sprayer was Rs.3050.

**Table 10: Average value of farm implements owned by households in Saidapur micro watershed (Rupees)**

Particulars	MF(11)	SF(8)	SMF(10)	MDF(2)	ALL (31)
Bullock cart	20000	20000	16667	0	18571
Plough	3400	2000	6667	0	4333
Power Tiller	0	0	100000	20000	60000
Seed Cum Fertilizer Drill	50000	0	40000	0	43333
Sprayer	4600	0	2275	1500	3050
Tractor	1000000	0	1000000	800000	950000
Average Value	215600	11000	194268	273833	179881

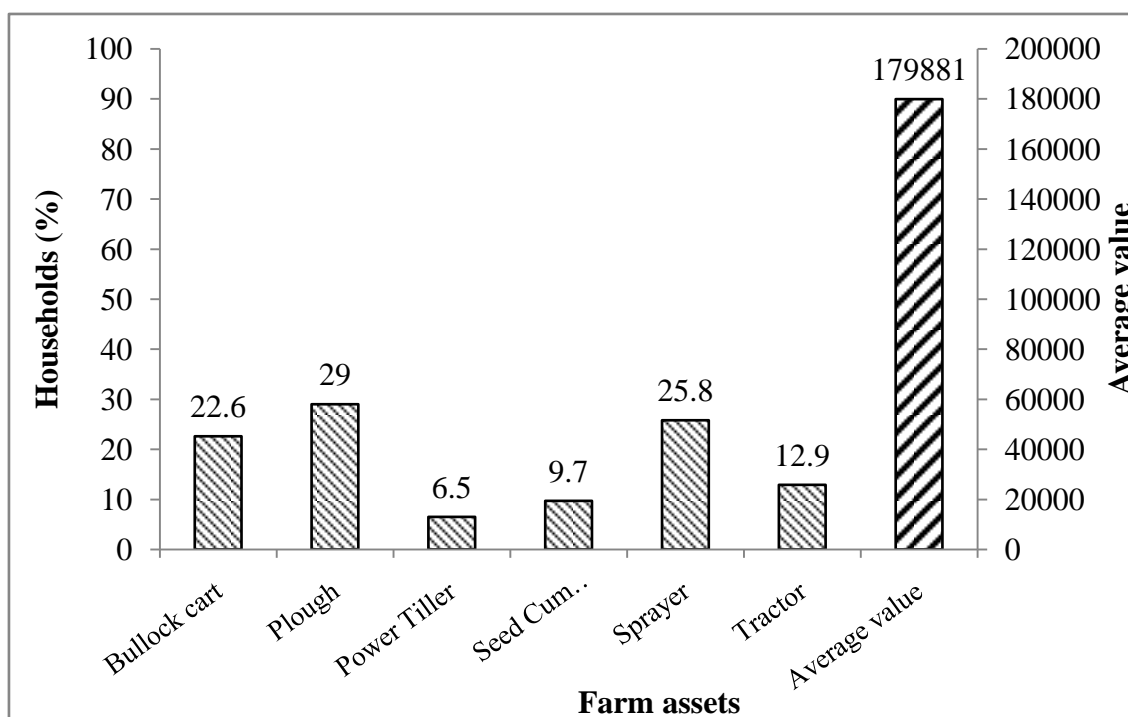


Figure 5: Farm assets among samples households in Saidapur Microwatershed

Livestock is an integral component of the conventional farming systems (Table 11 and Figure 6). The highest livestock population is bullocks' cow were around 22.6 per cent followed by local dry cow (19.4 %), local mulching cow (19.4%), mulching buffalos (3.2 %), sheep (3.2 %).The average livestock value was Rs. 25152 per households.

**Table 11: Livestock assets among sample households in Saidapur micro-watershed**

Livestock	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Bullocks	4	36.4	1	12.5	2	20.0	0	0.0	7	22.6
Local Dry Cow	2	18.2	1	12.5	3	30.0	0	0.0	6	19.4
Local Milching Cow	2	18.2	0	0.0	4	40.0	0	0.0	6	19.4
Milching Buffalos	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
Sheeps	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	1	3.2
No livestock households	4	36.4	6	75.0	4	40.0	2	100.0	16	51.6

**Average value of livestock**

The data regarding the average value of farm Implements owned by the households in Saidapur micro watershed is presented in Table 12. The results show that the average value of Bullocks was Rs.71429, the average value of local dry cow was Rs. 10833, the average value of local mulching cow was Rs.17500 and the average value of sheep's was Rs.6000.

**Table 12: Average value of livestock in Saidapur Micro-watershed**

(Rupees)

Livestock Value	MF(11)	SF(8)	SMF(10)	MDF(2)	ALL (31)
Bullocks	70000	100000	60000	0	71429
Local Dry Cow	10000	5000	13333	0	10833
Local Milching Cow	11000	0	20750	0	17500
Milching Buffalos	0	0	20000	0	20000
Sheeps	0	0	6000	0	6000
Average value	30333	52500	24017	0	25152

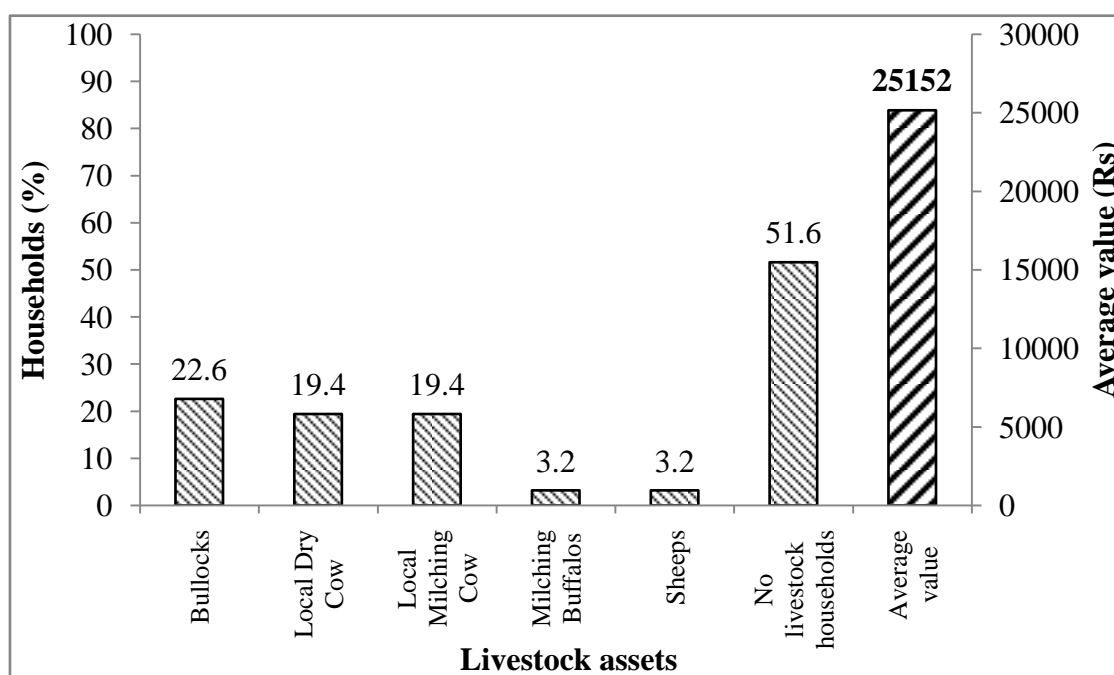


Figure 6: Livestock assets among sample households in Saidapur micro-watershed

Average milk produced in sample households is 592 litters/ annum. Among the farm households, maize groundnut and paddy are the main crops for domestic food and fodder for animals. About 1443 kg /ha of average fodder is available per season for the livestock feeding (Table 13).

**Table 13: Milk produced and fodder availability of sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(11)	SF(8)	SMF(10)	MDF(2)	ALL (31)
<b>Name of the livestock</b>					
	<b>Ltr./Lactation/animal</b>				
Local Milching Cow	525	794	0	0	704
Milching Buffalos	0	480	0	0	480
Average milk produced	525	637	0	0	592
<b>Fodder produces</b>					
	<b>Fodder yield (Kg/ha.)</b>				
Maize	2367	698	0	0	1413
Groundnut	0	1250	0	0	1250
Paddy	0	1667	0	0	1667
<b>Average fodder availability</b>	<b>2367</b>	<b>1205</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1443</b>
Livestock having households (%)	66.67	25.00	73.33	0.0	56.76
Livestock population (Numbers)	13	3	19	0	35

A woman participation in decision making in this micro-watershed is presented in Table 14. About 68 per cent women earning for her family requirement and 77 per cent of women taking decision in her family and agriculture related activities.

**Table 14: Women empowerment of sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Women participation in local organization activities										
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No	11	100	8	100	10	100	2	100	31	100
Women participation in Elected Panchayth										
Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No	11	100	8	100	10	100	2	100	31	100
Women earning for her family requirement										
Yes	7	64	5	63	7	70	2	100	21	68
No	4	36	3	38	3	30	0	0	10	32
Women taking decision in her family and agriculture related activities										
Yes	9	82	5	63	8	80	2	100	24	77
No	2	18	3	38	2	20	0	0	7	23
Grand Total	11	100	8	100	10	100	2	100	31	100

The food intake in terms of kilo calorie (kcal) per person per day was calculated and presented in the Table 15 and Figure 7. More quantity of cereals is consumed by sample farmers which accounted for 1373.10 kcal per person. The other important food items consumed was pulses 161.74 kcal followed by cooking oil 210.43 kcal, milk 83.29 kcal, vegetables 41.63 kcal, egg 303.74 kcal and meat 42.50 kcal. In the sampled households farmers were consuming more (2216.39 kcal) than NIN- recommended food requirement (2250 kcal).



**Table 15: Per capita daily consumption of food among the sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	NIN recommendation (gram/per day/person/)	Present level of consumption (gram/per day/person)	Kilo calories / day/person
Cereals	396	403.85	1373.10
Pulses	43	47.15	161.74
Milk	200	128.13	83.29
Vegetables	143	173.34	41.60
Cooking Oil	31	36.92	210.43
Egg	0.48	202.49	303.74
Meat	14.2	28.33	42.50
Total	<b>827.68</b>	1020.22	2216.39
<b>Threshold of NIN recommendation</b>		<b>827*</b>	<b>2250*</b>
Below NIN		23	58
Above NIN		77	42

Note: \* day/person

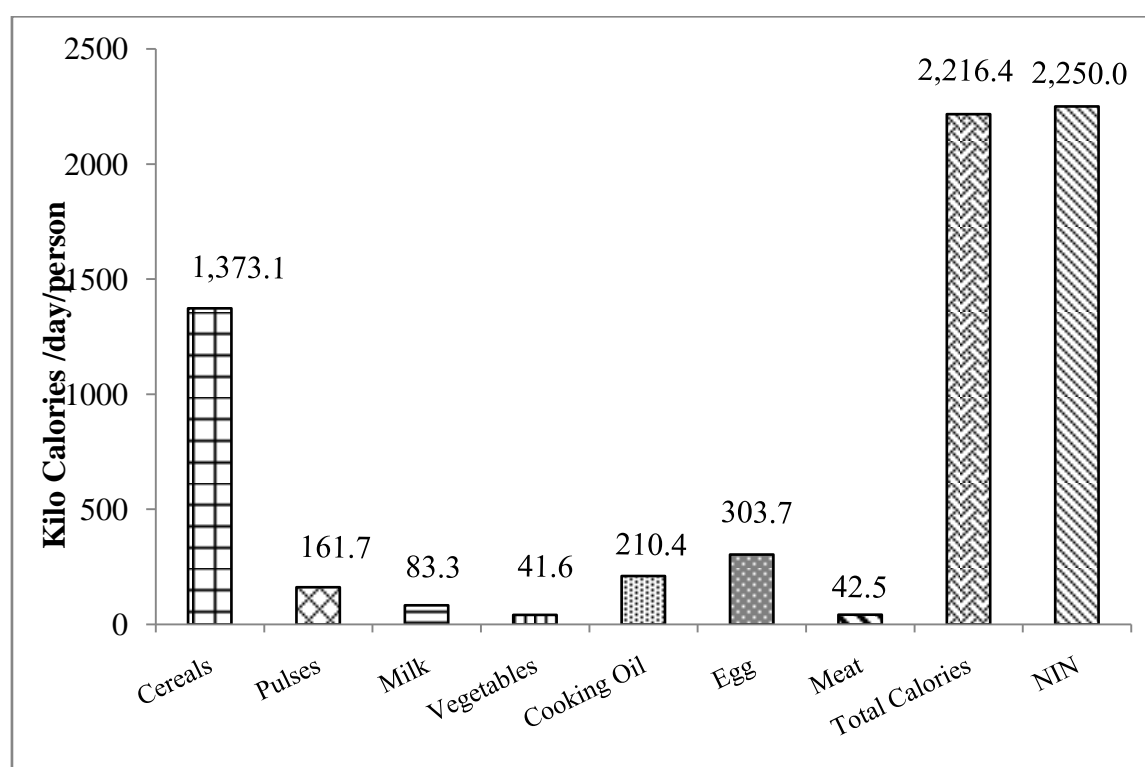


Figure 7: Per capita daily consumption of food among the sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed

**Annual income of the sample HHs:** The average annual household income is around Rs. 41470. Major source of income to the farmers in the study area is from livestock (Rs.24580) followed by crop production (Rs. 16890). The monthly per capita income is Rs. 657, 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 16).

**Table 16: Annual average income of HHs from various sources in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF (11)*	SF (8)*	SMF (10)*	MDF (2)*	ALL (31)*
Nonfarm income	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Livestock income	14050 (18.18)	0 (0)	28792 (50)	0 (0)	24580 (22.58)
Crop Production	7721 (100)	12847 (100)	28791 (100)	23985 (100)	16890 (100)
Total Income (Rs)	21771	12847	57583	23985	41470
Average monthly per capita income (Rs)	302	220	960	500	657
<b>Thresholds for poverty level (Rs 975 per month/person)</b>					
% of households Above poverty line	0.0	0.0	30.0	0.0	9.7
% of households below poverty line	100.0	100.0	70.0	100.0	90.3

\* 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.57145) 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.2706 and about 100 per cent of farm households are below poverty line (Table 17 and Figure 8).

**Table 17: Average annual expenditure of sample HHs in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Food	56231	35.7	57180	33.0	58745	34.3	54030	23.6	57145	33.5
Education	8182	5.2	13000	7.5	16400	9.6	0	0.0	11548	6.8
Clothing	10727	6.8	6125	3.5	11600	6.8	7500	3.3	9613	5.6
Social functions	59091	37.5	75000	43.3	52700	30.7	150000	65.5	67000	39.2
Health	23409	14.8	21875	12.6	32000	18.7	17500	7.6	25403	14.9
Total	157640	100	173180	100	171445	100	229030	100	170709	100
Monthly per capita	2189		2960		2857		4771		2706	

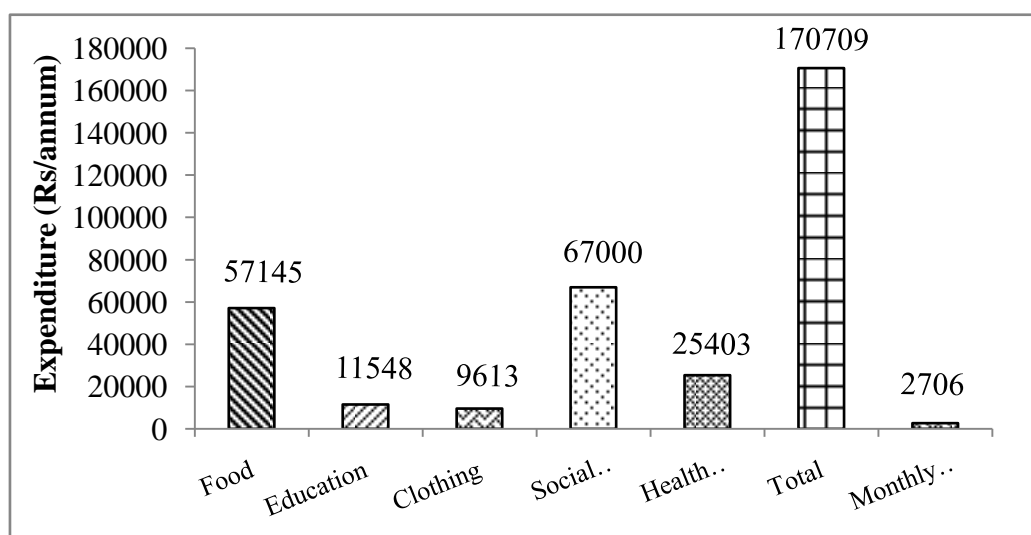


Figure 8: Average annual expenditure of sample HHs in Saidapur Microwatershed

**Land holding:** Total sample households are 31 and total area cultivated by them is 59.17 ha. The average land holding of sample HHs is 1.91 ha. the large number of households is (11) belong to marginal size group with an average holding size of 0.69 ha followed by semi medium farmers (10) with an average holding size of 3.00 ha, small farmers (8) with an average land holding is 1.43 ha and medium size groups (2) with an average land holding is 5.09 ha (Table 18).

**Table 18: Distribution of land holding among the sample households in Saidapur micro-watershed**

Size groups	Particulars	Value
Marginal Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	11
	Total land holding (ha)	7.55
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	0.69
Small Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	8
	Total land holding (ha)	11.40
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	1.43
Semi-Medium Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	10
	Total land holding (ha)	30.03
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	3.00
Medium Farmers	Total sample HHs in number	2
	Total land holding (ha)	10.19
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	5.09
Total sample households	Total sample HHs in number	31
	Total land holding (ha)	59.17
	Avg of Total land holding (ha)	1.91

**Land use:** The total land holding in the Saidapur micro-watershed is 56.7 ha it's a dry land condition and 2.4 ha is irrigated land condition (Table 19). The average land holding per household is worked out to be 1.91 ha.

**Table 19: Land use among samples households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%
Irrigated land	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	2.4	8.1	0.0	0	2.4	4.1
Dry land	7.6	100	11.4	100	27.6	91.9	10.2	100	56.7	95.9
Fallow land	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Total land	7.6	100	11.4	100	30.0	100	10.2	100	59.2	100
Average of land area	0.69		1.43		3.00		5.09		1.91	

In the micro-watershed, the prevalent present land uses under perennial plants are neem trees (89.2 %) followed by mango (3.9 %), tamarind (3.9 %) and banana tree (2.9 %) (Table 20).

**Table 20: Number of trees/plants covered in sample farm households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Plants	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Banyan tree(Alada)		0.0		0.0	3	13.0		0.0	3	2.9
Mango	1	5.3	1	5.9	1	4.3	1	2.3	4	3.9
Neem trees	18	94.7	14	82.4	19	82.6	40	93.0	91	89.2
Tamarind		0.0	2	11.8		0.0	2	4.7	4	3.9
Grand Total	19	100.0	17	100.0	23	100.0	43	100.0	102	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 the study area were by red gram (58.0 %) followed by cotton (15.4 %), maize (7.2 %), green gram (7.1%), ground nut (3.9 %) and paddy (3.3 %) which are taken during Kharif season and maize (5.8%) and redgram (0.6 %) under with rabi season. The cropping intensity was 106 per cent (Table 21 and Figure 9).

**Table 21: Present cropping pattern and cropping intensity in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Crops/Season	MF(11)		SF(8)		SMF(10)		MDF(2)		ALL (31)	
	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%	Area in ha	%
<b>Kharif</b>	<b>8.03</b>	<b>86.9</b>	<b>10.93</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>29.55</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>10.12</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>58.64</b>	<b>93.5</b>
Red gram	3.98	43.0	8.50	77.8	13.77	42.5	10.12	100.0	36.37	58.0
Cotton	2.36	25.5	1.62	14.8	5.67	17.5	0	0.0	9.64	15.4
Maize	0.48	5.2	0	0.0	4.05	12.5	0	0.0	4.53	7.2
Green gram	1.21	13.1	0.81	7.4	2.43	7.5	00	0.0	4.45	7.1
Groundnut	0	0.0	0	0.0	2.43	7.5	0	0.0	2.43	3.9
Paddy	0	0.0	0	0.0	1.21	3.8	0	0.0	1.21	1.9
<b>Rabi</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.83</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>4.05</b>	<b>6.5</b>
Maize	0.81	8.8	0	0.0	2.83	8.8	0	0.0	3.64	5.8
Red gram	0.40	4.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.40	0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.25</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>10.93</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>32.39</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>10.12</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>62.69</b>	<b>100</b>

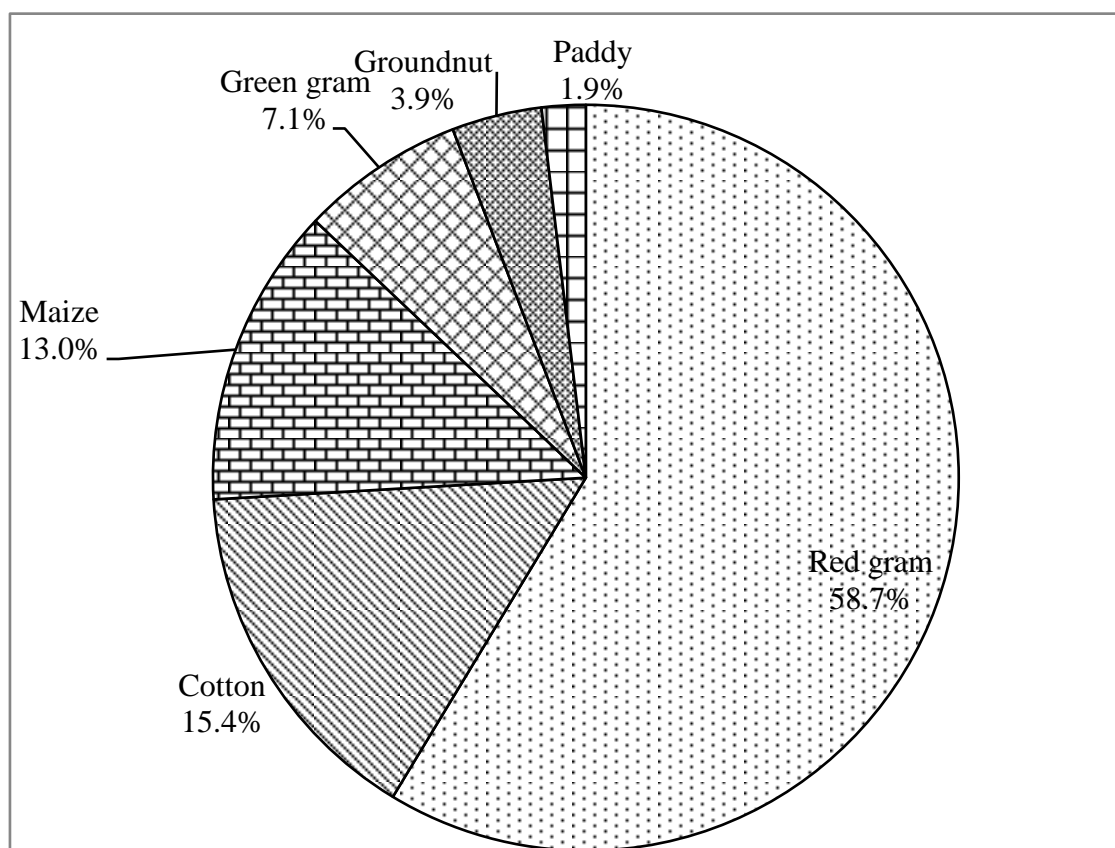


Figure 9: Present cropping pattern in Saidapur Microwatershed

## 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 Saidapur micro-watershed, 9 soil series are identified and mapped (Table 22). The distribution of major soil series are Rachanalli covering an area around 227 ha (40.13 %) followed by Kudlur 190 ha (33.48 %), Badiyala 46ha (8.07 %), Yalleri 30 ha (5.43 %), Jinkera 2 ha (2.32 %), Mundargi 12 ha (2.11 %), Rampur 11 (1.9 %) and Mylapura 2 ha (0.33%)

**Table 22: Distribution of soil series in Saidapur Microwatershed**

SMU No*	Soil Series	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
<b>Soil of Granite and Granite Gneiss Landscape</b>			
1	BDL	Badiyala soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark brown and dark yellowish brown, sandy clay soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	46 (8.07)
2	JNK	Jinkera soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark grayish brown, sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	2 (2.32)
3	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	30 (5.43)
4	MDG	Mundargi soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have brown to dark yellowish brown, sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	12 (2.11)
5	RMP	Rampur soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have yellowish brown to very dark gray, sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	11 (1.9)
<b>Soil of Alluvial Landscape</b>			
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	227 (40.13)
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	190 (33.48)
8	MYP	Mylapura soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have brown to very dark grayish brown, calcareous sandy clay to clay alluvial soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	2 (0.33)

Present cropping pattern on different farmers size groups are given in Table 23. Crops grown on marginal farmers are cotton, green gram, maize and red gram. Cotton, green gram, and red gram on small farmers are grown. Cotton, green gram, Groundnut, maize, paddy and red gram are grown on semi medium farmers and red gram on medium farmers can are grow.

**Table 23: Cropping pattern on size groups in Saidapur micro-watershed**

(Area in per cent)

Size groups	Crops	Kharif		Grand Total
		Dry	Irrigated	
Marginal Farmers	Cotton	39.0	0.0	39.0
	Greengram	10.8	0.0	10.8
	Maize	11.4	0.0	11.4
	Redgram	38.8	0.0	38.8
Small Farmers	Cotton	14.8	0.0	14.8
	Greengram	7.4	0.0	7.4
	Redgram	77.8	0.0	77.8
Semi-Medium Farmers	Cotton	18.2	0.0	18.2
	Greengram	7.8	0.0	7.8
	Groundnut	0.0	7.8	7.8
	Maize	22.1	0.0	22.1
	Paddy	0.0	3.9	3.9
	Redgram	40.3	0.0	40.3
Medium Farmers	Redgram	100.0	0.0	100.0

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 24).

**Table 24: Alternative land use options for different size group of farmers (Benefit Cost Ratio) in Saidapur Microwatershed.**

Crops	MF(11)	SF(8)	SMF(10)	MDF(2)	ALL (31)
Cotton	1.17	1.22	1.44	0	1.30
Greengram	1.60	0.99	1.22	0	1.32
Groundnut	0	0	2.21	0	2.21
Maize	1.09	0	1.21	0	1.16
Paddy	0	0	1.22	0	1.22
Redgram	1.15	1.33	1.30	1.18	1.25

The productivity of different crops grown in Saidapur 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 25. The total cost of cultivation in study area for cotton ranges between Rs.42960/ha in small farmers (with BCR of 1.18) and Rs.21800/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.44), green gram range between Rs.35897/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.04) and Rs.30209/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.37),

**Table 25: Economic land evaluation and bridging yield gap for different crops in Saidapur micro-watershed**

Particulars	Marginal Farmers				Small Farmers			Semi-Medium Farmers					Medium Farmers	
	Cot ton	Green gram	Maize	Red gram	Cot ton	Green gram	Red gram	Cot ton	Green gram	Ground nut	Maize	Paddy	Red gram	Red gram
Total cost (Rs/ha)	40780	35897	27940	43673	42960	32772	27600	21800	30209	18483	26033	17985	25330	11725
Gross Return (Rs/ha)	44769	37668	48224	52241	50882	33098	38657	31465	41010	22107	35213	24700	28229	15314
Net returns (Rs/ha)	3989	1770	20284	8567	7922	326	11057	9665	10801	3624	9180	6715	2898	3589
BCR	1.09	1.04	1.80	1.21	1.18	1.01	1.40	1.44	1.37	1.20	1.44	1.37	1.11	1.31
<b>Farmers Practices (FP)</b>														
FYM (t/ha)	2.9	4.2	4.7	4.3	6.3	2.5	1.9	1.8	2.0	0.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.7
Nitrogen (kg/ha)	111.2	73.3	124.1	101.5	0.0	90.0	80.7	73.5	73.2	65.4	78.3	65.4	64.5	61.7
Phosphorus (kg/ha)	105.1	58.8	121.9	103.5	0.0	73.8	74.8	63.8	57.9	51.5	69.7	51.5	58.4	66.7
Potash (kg/ha)	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.1	4.3	3.5	6.1	3.5	3.7	8.6
Grain (Qtl/ha)	10.6	10.8	33.3	15.1	12.5	8.8	9.9	10.7	10.3	8.3	12.8	20.8	7.9	8.9
Price of Yield (Rs/Qtl)	4771	4200	2067	4390	4000	4500	4350	4670	4480	4500	2067	1700	4190	4250
<b>Soil test based fertilizer Recommendation (STBR)</b>														
FYM (t/ha)	12.4	7.4	8.6	7.4	12.4	7.4	7.4	12.4	7.4	8.6	8.6	9.9	7.4	7.4
Nitrogen (kg/ha)	148.2	18.5	123.5	24.7	148.2	18.5	24.7	148.2	18.5	24.7	123.5	98.8	24.7	24.7
Phosphorus (kg/ha)	74.1	37.1	61.8	49.4	74.1	37.1	49.4	74.1	37.1	61.8	61.8	49.4	49.4	49.4
Potash (kg/ha)	74.1	37.1	32.1	24.7	74.1	37.1	24.7	74.1	37.1	30.9	32.1	49.4	24.7	24.7
Grain (Qtl/ha)	17.3	8.6	84.0	12.4	17.3	8.6	12.4	17.3	8.6	17.3	84.0	59.3	12.4	12.4
<b>% of Adoption/yield gap (STBR-FP) / (STBR)</b>														
FYM (%)	76.5	43.8	45.2	42.3	49.4	66.3	74.7	85.8	73.0	90.4	80.8	83.1	77.9	76.9
Nitrogen (%)	25.0	-295.9	-0.4	-310.9	100.0	-385.8	-226.8	50.4	-295.0	-164.8	36.6	33.8	-161.1	-149.8
Phosphorus (%)	-41.8	-58.6	-97.3	-109.5	100.0	-99.1	-51.4	13.9	-56.3	16.7	-12.9	-4.2	-18.2	-35.0
Potash (%)	97.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	93.7	97.1	88.5	88.5	81.1	92.8	85.2	65.0
Grain (%)	38.7	-25.3	60.4	-22.3	27.7	-1.2	19.7	38.1	-18.6	51.8	84.7	64.9	36.4	28.1
<b>Value of yield and Fertilizer (Rs)</b>														
Additional Cost (Rs/ha)	9962	2372	1902	323	12621	3179	4209	13388	4492	8323	7700	9441	5322	4811
Additional Benefits (Rs/ha)	31907	-9191	104800	-12107	19160	-473	10562	30736	-7190	40305	147056	65359	18850	14755
Net change income (Rs/ha)	21945	-11563	102898	-12430	6539	-3651	6353	17349	-11683	31982	139356	55919	13528	9944



Red gram range between Rs.43673/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.21) and Rs.11725/ha in medium farmers (with BCR of 1.31), maize the cost of cultivation range between is Rs.27940/ha in marginal farmers (with BCR of 1.80) and Rs.26033/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.44) and paddy the cost of cultivation is Rs.17985/ha in semi medium farmers (with BCR of 1.37).

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 25. 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.139356 in maize and a minimum of Rs.6353 in red gram cultivation.

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.9890/ha/year (Table 26 and Figure 10). Per hectare food grain production services is maximum in ground nut (Rs.20268) followed by cotton (Rs.11313), green gram (Rs.9112), red gram (Rs.7599), paddy (Rs.9112) and maize (Rs.5435).

**Table 26: Ecosystem services of food grain production in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Production items	Crops	Area in ha	Yield (Qtl/ha)	Price (Rs/Qtl)	Gross Returns (Rs/ha)	Cost of Cultivation (Rs/ha)	Net returns (Rs/ha)
Cereals	Maize	8.2	21.6	2114	45576	40142	5435
	Paddy	1.2	20.6	1700	34992	29380	5611
Pulses	Greengram	4.5	10.0	4340	43415	34304	9112
	Redgram	35.6	10.9	4277	46752	39153	7599
Oil seeds	Groundnut	2.4	8.2	4500	37050	16782	20268
Commercial crops	Cotton	11.7	10.7	4622	49321	38008	11313
Average value		63.5	13.7	3592	42851	32961	9890

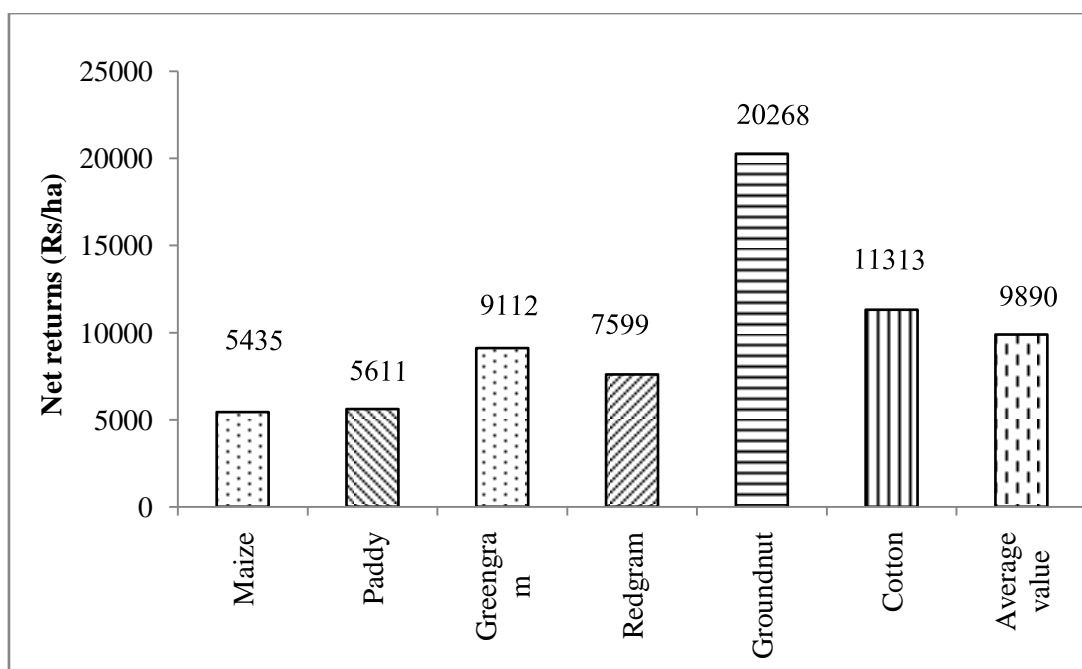


Figure 10: Ecosystem services of food production in Saidapur Microwatershed

The average value of ecosystem service for fodder production is around Rs.676/ha/year (Table 27). Per hectare fodder production services is maximum in groundnut (Rs. 1029) followed by paddy (Rs.823) and maize (Rs.176).

**Table 27: Ecosystem services of fodder production in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Production items	Crops	Area in ha	Yield (Qtl/ha)	Price (Rs/Qtl)	Net Returns (Rs/ha)
Cereals	Maize	8.17	0.82	214	176
	Paddy	1.21	1.65	500	823
Oil seeds	Groundnut	2.43	0.86	1200	1029
Average value		11.82	1.11	638	676

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 hectare water used was maximum (Table 28 and Figure 11) in green gram (Rs.69084) followed by red gram (Rs.59505), cotton (Rs.42991), paddy (Rs. 34436), maize (Rs. 26342) and groundnut (Rs.22905)

**Table 28: Ecosystem services of water supply in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Crops	Yield (Qtl/ha)	Virtual water (cubic meter) per ha	Value of Water (Rs/ha)	Water consumption (Cubic meters/Qtl)
Cotton	10.7	4299	42991	403
Greengram	10.0	6908	69084	691
Groundnut	8.2	2291	22905	278
Maize	21.6	2634	26342	122
Paddy	20.6	3444	34436	167
Redgram	10.9	5950	59505	544
Average	13.7	4254	42544	368

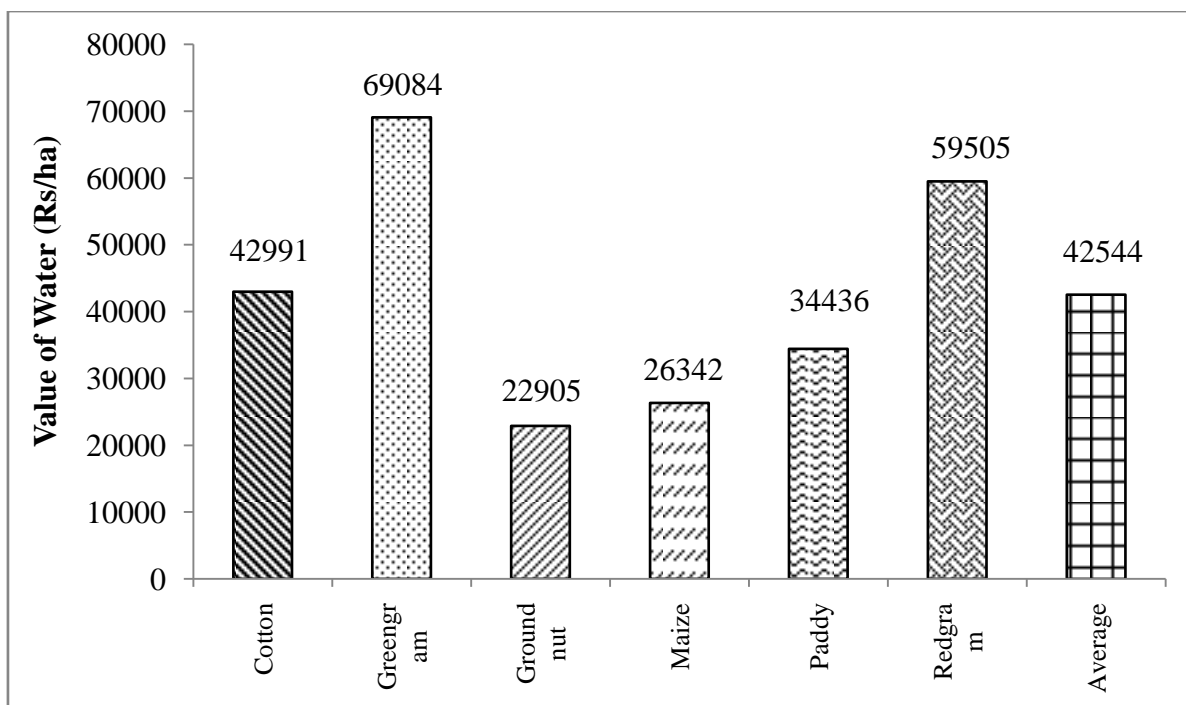


Figure 11: Ecosystem services of water supply in Saidapur Microwatershed

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 29).

**Table 29: Farming constraints related land resources of sample households in Saidapur Microwatershed**

Particulars	Per cent
<b>Farmers awareness of climate change</b>	
Yes	3.2
No	96.8
<b>Perception on climate change</b>	
Decrease in rainfall	100
Increase in temperature	0.0
<b>Availability agricultural technology information</b>	
Yes	0.0
No	100

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.