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

*The present study covers an area of 313 ha in Koppal taluk and district, Karnataka. The climate is semiarid and categorized as drought - prone with an average annual rainfall of 662 mm, of which about 424 mm is received during south-west monsoon, 161 mm during north-east and the remaining 77 mm during the rest of the year. An area of about 83 per cent is covered by soils and 17 per cent by rock outcrops, habitation and water bodies, settlements and others. The salient findings from the land resource inventory are summarized briefly below.*

- ❖ The soils belong to 15 soil series and 28 soil phases (management units) and 5 land management units.*
- ❖ The length of crop growing period is <90 days and starts from 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August to 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November.*
- ❖ 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 320 m grid interval.*
- ❖ Land suitability for growing 31 major agricultural and horticultural crops were assessed and maps showing the degree of suitability along with constraints were generated.*
- ❖ Entire area is suitable for agriculture.*
- ❖ About 14 per cent of the soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), 26 per cent of the soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), 28 per cent of the soils are deep (100-150 cm) and 15 per cent has very deep (>150 cm) soils.*
- ❖ About 65 per cent has loamy soils at the surface and 19 per cent has clayey soils at the surface.*
- ❖ About 46 per cent of the area has non-gravelly (<15%) soils, 33 per cent gravelly (15-35% gravel) and 3 per cent very gravelly (35-60%) soils.*
- ❖ About 27 per cent are very low (<50 mm/m), 32 per cent low (51-100 mm/m), 9 per cent medium (101-150 mm/m) and 15 per cent high (151-200 mm/m) in available water capacity.*

- ❖ *An area of about 3 per cent has nearly level (0-1%) and 80 per cent area has very gently sloping (1-3%) lands.*
- ❖ *An area of about 9 per cent has soils that are slightly eroded (e1) and 74 per cent moderately eroded (e2) lands.*
- ❖ *An area of about 26 per cent are slightly acid (pH 6.0-6.5), 38 per cent are neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) and 19 per cent are slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8) in soil reaction.*
- ❖ *The Electrical Conductivity (EC) of the soils is  $<2 \text{ dS m}^{-1}$  and as such the soils are non-saline.*
- ❖ *Organic carbon is medium (0.5-0.75%) in 39 per cent and high ( $>0.75\%$ ) in 44 per cent area of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available phosphorus content is medium (23-57 kg/ha) in 6 per cent and high ( $>57 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in 77 per cent in the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available potassium content is medium (145-337 kg/ha) 59 per cent and high ( $>337 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in 24 per cent in the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available sulphur is low ( $<10 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 82 per cent and medium (10-20 ppm) in the area of about 1 per cent soils.*
- ❖ *Available boron is low (0.5 ppm) in about 50 per cent and medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in 33 per cent area.*
- ❖ *Available iron is sufficient ( $>4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 294 ha (43%) and deficient ( $<4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 273 ha (40%) of the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available zinc is deficient ( $<0.6 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 33 per cent and sufficient ( $>0.6 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 50 per cent in the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Available manganese and copper are sufficient in all the soils.*
- ❖ *The land suitability for 31 major agricultural and horticultural 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

Crop	Suitability Area in ha (%)		Crop	Suitability Area in ha (%)	
	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)		Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)
Sorghum	170 (25)	98 (14)	Sapota	167 (24)	181 (26)
Maize	62 (9)	206 (30)	Pomegranate	167 (24)	181 (26)
Bajra	180 (26)	265 (39)	Musambi	167 (24)	181 (26)
Groundnut	102 (15)	455 (66)	Lime	167 (24)	181 (26)
Sunflower	167 (24)	16 (2)	Amla	183 (27)	386 (56)
Red gram	167 (24)	15 (2)	Cashew	154 (23)	194 (28)
Bengalgram	-	278 (41)	Jackfruit	167 (24)	181 (26)
Cotton	125 (18)	144 (21)	Jamun	114 (17)	227 (33)
Chilli	180 (26)	88 (13)	Custard apple	183 (27)	386 (56)
Tomato	180 (26)	88 (13)	Tamarind	114 (17)	93 (14)
Brinjal	58 (9)	325 (47)	Mulberry	170 (25)	302 (44)
Onion	46 (7)	338 (49)	Marigold	157 (23)	111 (16)
Bhendi	46 (7)	338 (49)	Chrysanthemum	157 (23)	110 (16)
Drumstick	170 (25)	137 (20)	Jasmine	157 (23)	110 (16)
Mango	114 (17)	56 (8)	Crossandra	157 (23)	110 (16)
Guava	145 (21)	204 (30)			

- ❖ *Apart from the individual crop suitability, a proposed crop plan has been prepared for the 5 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 that helps in maintaining productivity and ecological balance in the microwatershed.*
- ❖ *Maintaining soil-health is vital for 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 for 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. That would help in supplementing the farm income, provide fodder and fuel, and generate lot of biomass which in turn would help in maintaining the ecological balance and 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 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 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 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 was 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 Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed in Koppal Taluk and District, Karnataka State for the Karnataka Watershed Development Department. The database was generated by using cadastral map of the village as a base along with high resolution IRS LISS IV and Cartosat-1 merged satellite imagery. Later, an attempt will be made to uplink this LRI data generated at 1:7920 scale under Sujala-III Project to the proposed Landscape Ecological Units (LEUs) map.

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## GEOGRAPHICAL SETTING

### 2.1 Location and Extent

The Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed is located in the central part of northern Karnataka in Koppal Taluk and District, Karnataka State (Fig. 2.1). It comprises parts of Lachanakeri, Mallikeri and Hyati Villages. It lies between  $15^{\circ}14' - 15^{\circ}17'$  North latitudes and  $76^{\circ}9' - 76^{\circ}12'$  East longitudes and covers an area of 684 ha. It is about 10 km from Koppal town. It is surrounded by Mallikeri and Hyati taluk on the north, Lachanakeri on the east and Hyati on the west and south and Hallikeri village on the southeastern side.

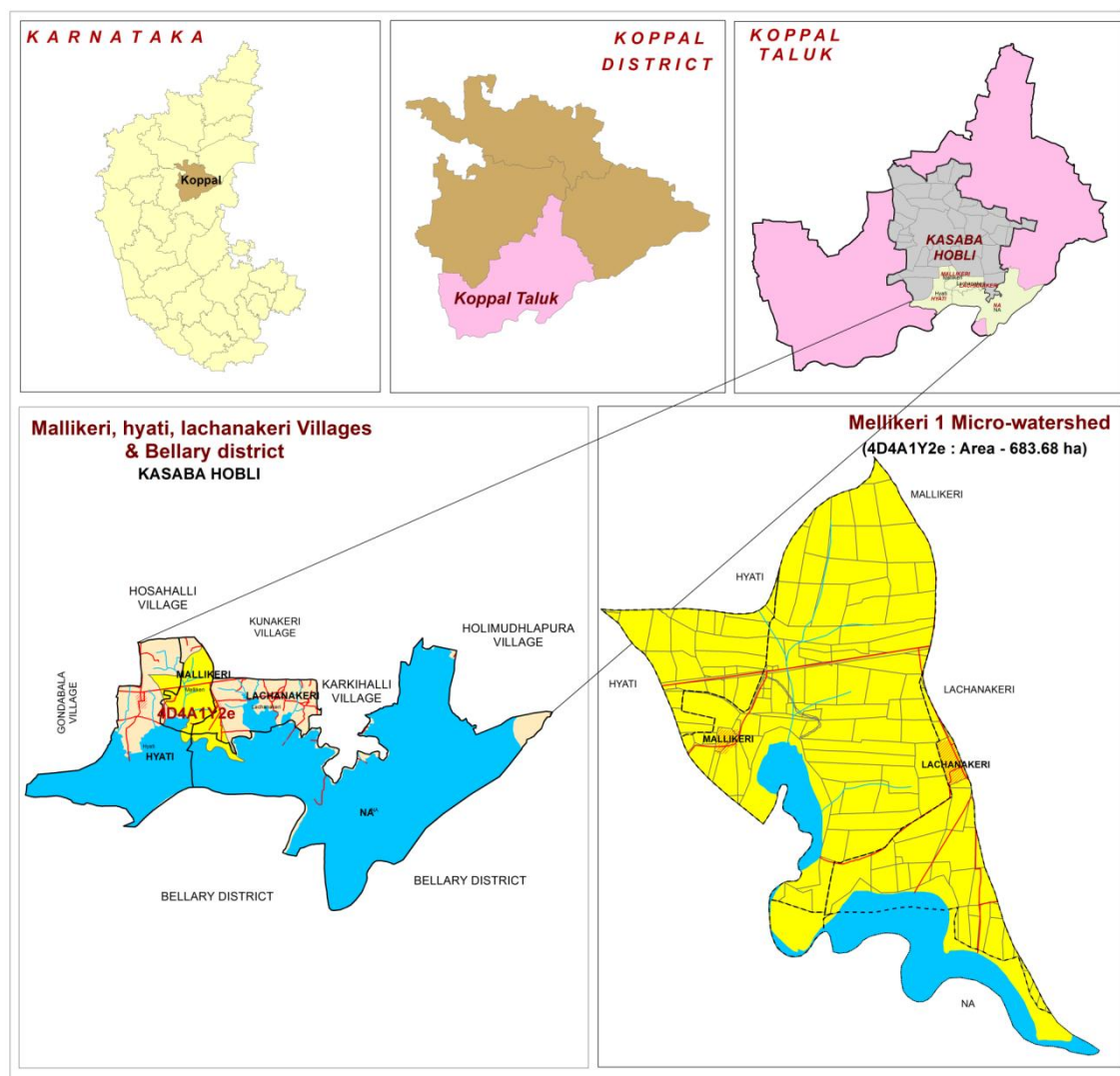


Fig. 2.1 Location map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

### 2.2 Geology

Major rock formations observed in the microwatershed are granite gneiss (Figs. 2.2). 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 the village.



Fig. 2.2 Granite and granite gneiss rocks

### **2.3 Physiography**

Physiographically, the area has been identified as granite gneiss landscapes based on geology. The microwatershed area has been further divided into summits, very gently sloping uplands and nearly level plains based on slope and its relief features. The elevation ranges from 500 to 513 m in the gently sloping uplands.

### **2.4 Drainage**

The area is drained by several small seasonal streams that join Hire *halla* and Chenna *halla* along its course. Though, the streams are not perennial, during rainy season they carry large quantities of rain water. The microwatershed has only few small tanks which are not able to store the water flowing during the rainy season. Due to this, the ground water recharge is very much affected in the villages. This is reflected in the failure of many bore wells in the villages. If the available rain water is properly harnessed by constructing 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 dendritic to sub parallel.

### **2.5 Climate**

The district falls under semi-arid tract of the state and is categorized as drought-prone with an average annual rainfall of 662 mm (Table 2.1). Maximum of 424 mm precipitation takes place during the south-west monsoon period from June to September, north-east monsoon contributes about 161 mm and prevails from October to early December and the remaining 77 mm takes place during the rest of the year. The winter season is from December to February. During April and May, the temperatures reach up



to 45 °C and in December and January, the temperatures will go down to 16 °C. Rainfall distribution is shown in Figure 2.3. The average Potential Evapo Transpiration (PET) is 145 mm and varies from a low of 101 mm in December and 193 mm in the month of May. The PET is always higher than precipitation in all the months except in the month of September. Generally, the Length of crop Growing Period (LGP) is <90 days and starts from 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August to 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November.

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

Sl. No.	Months	Rainfall	PET	1/2 PET
1	January	1.60	116.70	58.35
2	February	1.50	129.20	64.60
3	March	14.10	169.80	84.90
4	April	18.10	180.60	90.30
5	May	41.60	193.50	96.75
6	June	85.80	167.90	83.95
7	July	72.10	156.20	78.10
8	August	110.50	152.50	76.25
9	September	155.60	138.50	69.25
10	October	116.30	122.30	61.15
11	November	36.00	106.40	53.20
12	December	9.10	101.00	50.50
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>662.30</b>	<b>144.55</b>	

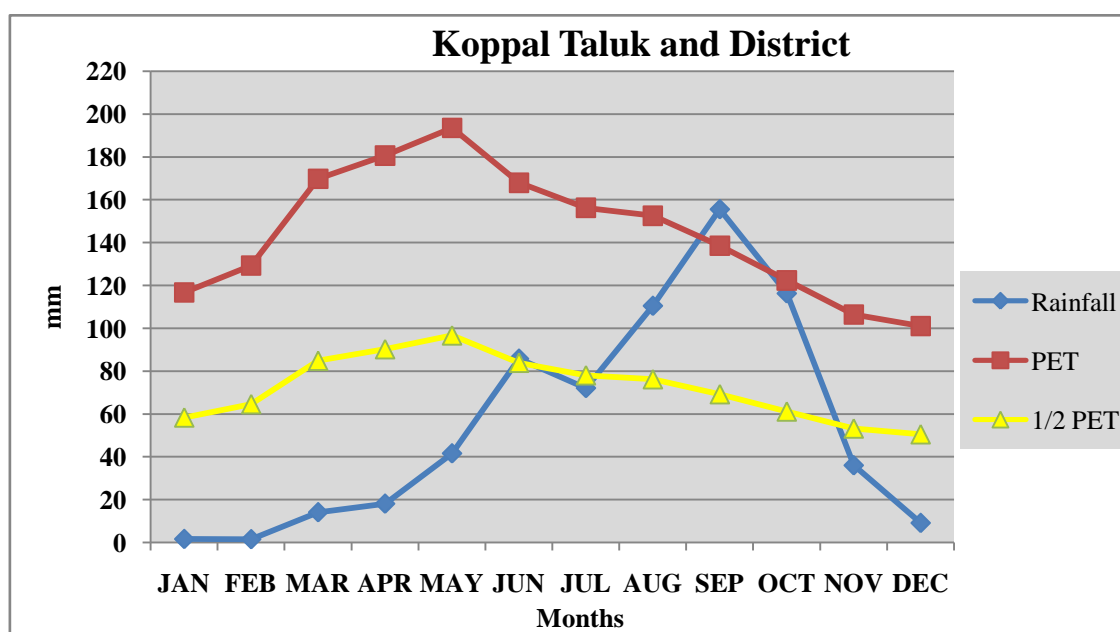


Fig. 2.3 Rainfall distribution in Koppal Taluk and District

## 2.6 Natural Vegetation

The natural vegetation is sparse comprising few tree species, shrubs and herbs. The mounds, ridges and boulders occupy sizeable areas which are 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 (Fig 2.4).

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 and eventually resulting in the heavy siltation of few tanks and reservoirs in the microwatershed.



Fig 2.4 Natural vegetation of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## 2.7 Land Utilization

About 91 per cent area (Table 2.2) in Koppal district is cultivated at present and about 16 per cent of the area is sown more than once. The cropping intensity is 118 per cent. An area of about 3 per cent is currently barren. Forests occupy a small area of about 5 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, bajra, cotton, safflower, sunflower, red gram, horse gram, onion, mulberry, pomegranate, sugarcane, bengalgram and groundnut (Fig 2.5). 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 Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed is presented in Fig. 2.6. Simultaneously, enumeration of existing wells (bore wells and open wells) and other soil and water conservation structures in the microwatershed is made and their location in different survey numbers is marked on the cadastral map. Map showing the location of wells and other water bodies in Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed is given Fig. 2.7.

**Table 2.2 Land Utilization in Koppal District**

Sl. no.	Agricultural land use	Area ( ha)	Per cent
1	Total geographical area	552495	
2	Total cultivated area	500542	90.6
3	Area sown more than once	92696	16.8
4	Trees and groves	210	0.04
5	Cropping intensity	-	118
6	Forest	29451	5.33
7	Cultivable wasteland	2568	0.46
8	Permanent Pasture land	14675	2.66
9	Barren land	16627	3.01
10	Non agricultural land	40591	7.35
11	Current fallow	19660	3.56



Fig.2.5 (a) Different crops and cropping systems in Haligeri-5 Microwatershed



Fig.2.5 (b) Different crops and cropping systems in Haligeri-5 Microwatershed

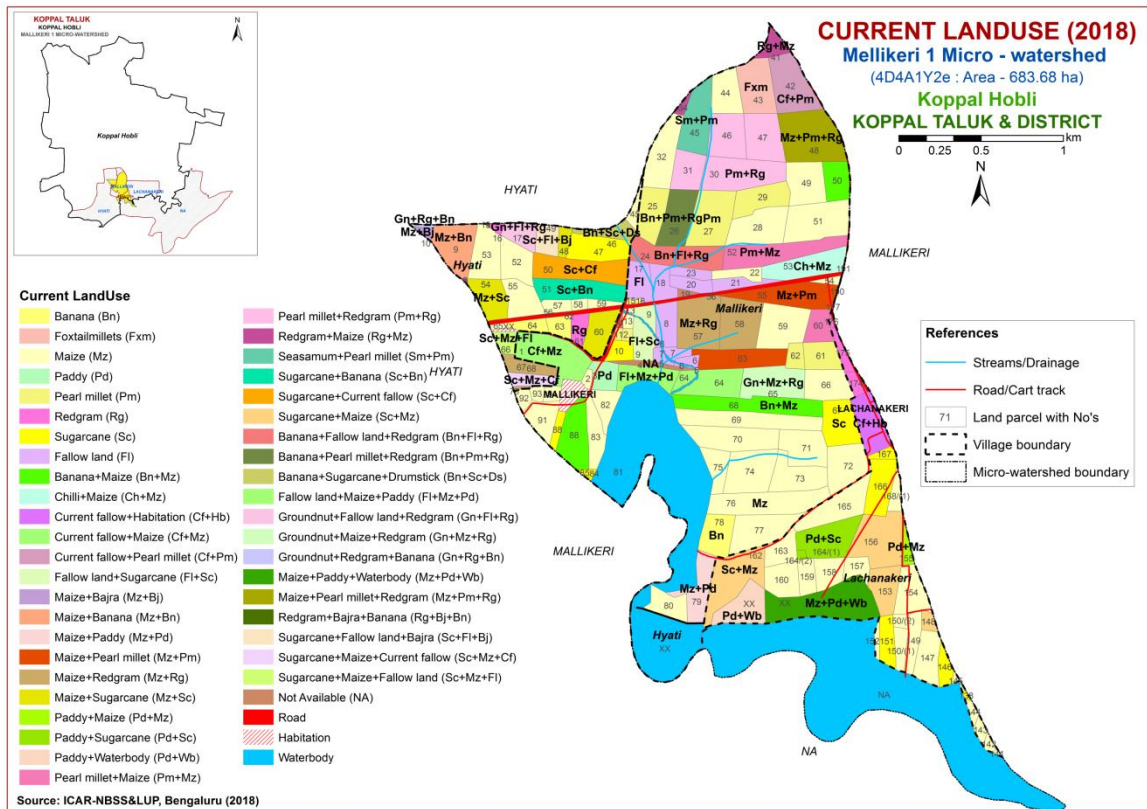


Fig. 2.6 Current Land Use – Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

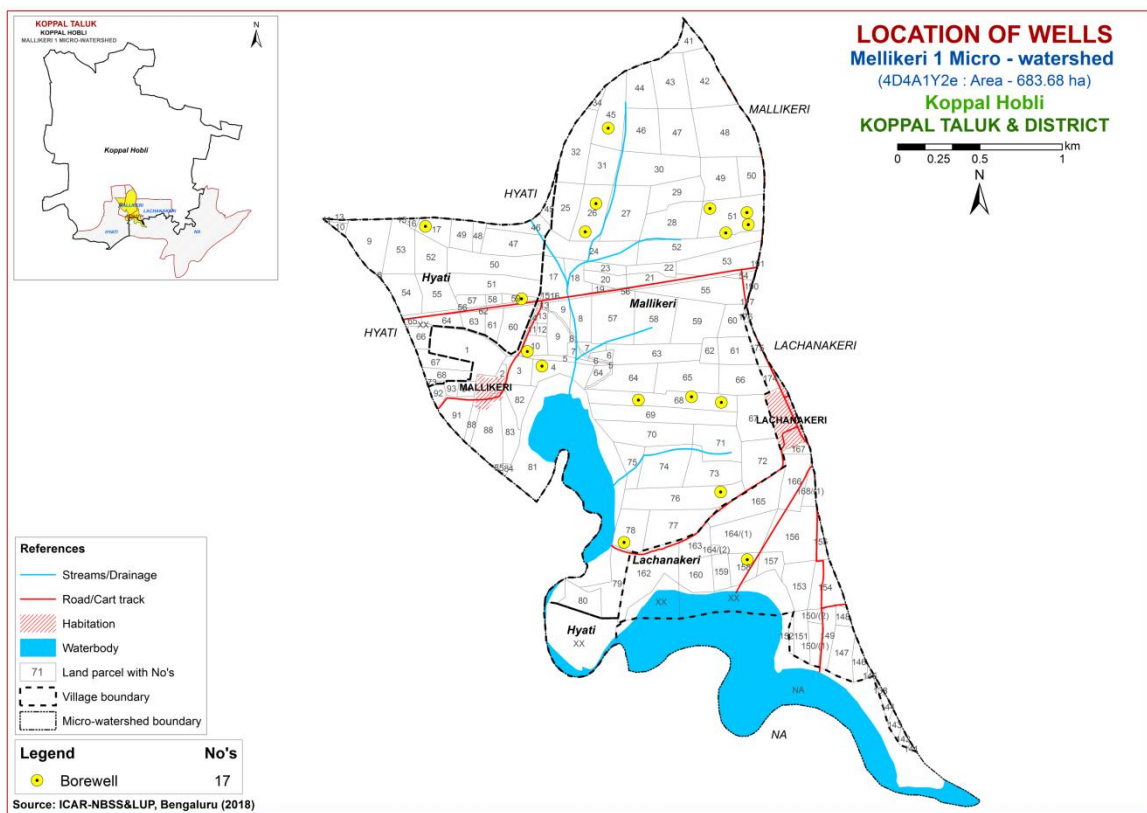


Fig. 2.7 Location of wells-Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed



## 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 Mellikeri-1 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, 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 extent and geographic distribution on the microwatershed cadastral map. The detailed soil survey at 1:7920 scale was carried out in 684 ha area. The methodology followed for carrying out land resource inventory was as per the guidelines given in Soil Survey Manual (IARI, 1971; Soil Survey Staff, 2006; Natarajan *et al.*, 2015) which is briefly described below.

### 3.1 Base Maps

The detailed survey of the land resources occurring in the microwatershed was carried out by using digitized cadastral map and satellite imagery as base supplied by the KRSRSAC. 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 geology, landscapes, landforms and other surface features. The imagery helped in the identification and delineation of boundaries between hills, uplands and lowlands, water bodies, forest and vegetated areas, roads, habitations and other cultural features of the area (Fig. 3.2). The cadastral map was overlaid on the satellite imagery (Fig. 3.3) that helps to identify the parcel boundaries and other permanent features. Apart from cadastral maps and images, toposheets of the area (1:50,000 scale) were used for initial traversing, identification of geology, landscapes 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 (FCC) of Cartosat-I and LISS-IV merged satellite data covering the 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 gneiss landscape and is divided into landforms such as ridges, mounds and uplands based on slope. 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)

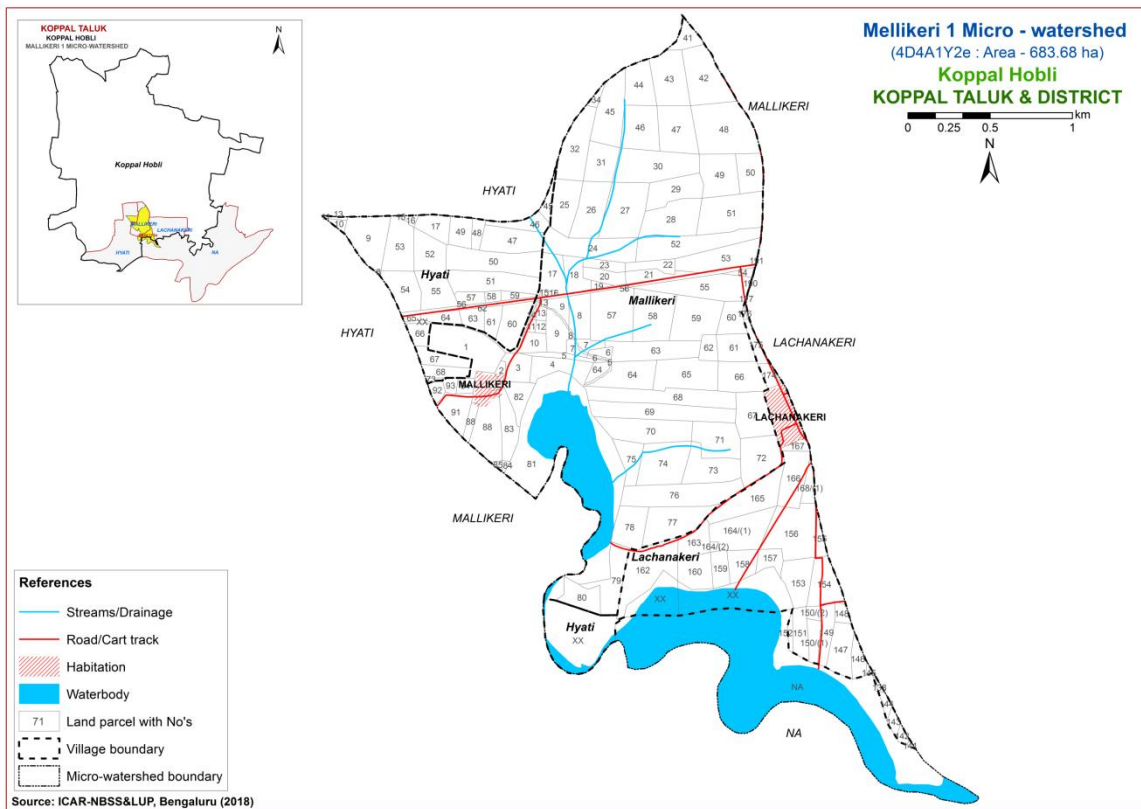


Fig. 3.1 Scanned and Digitized Cadastral map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed



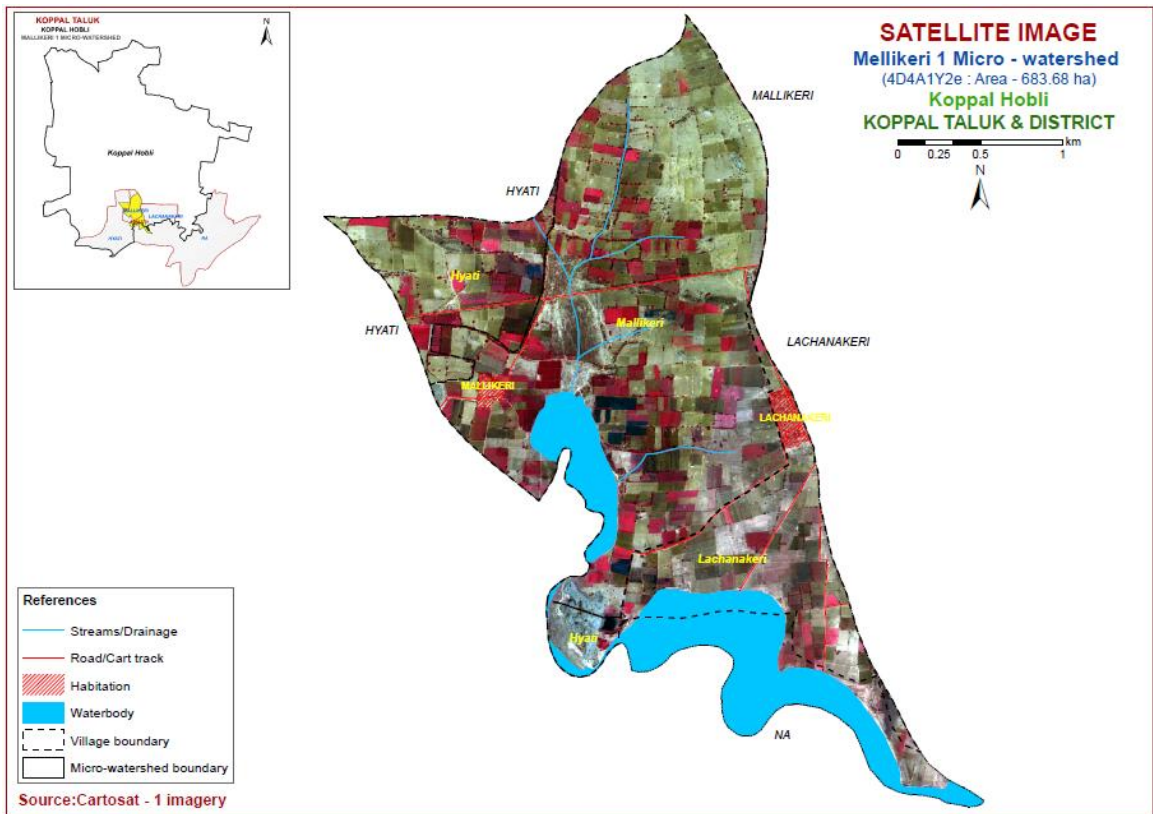


Fig. 3.2 Satellite Image of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

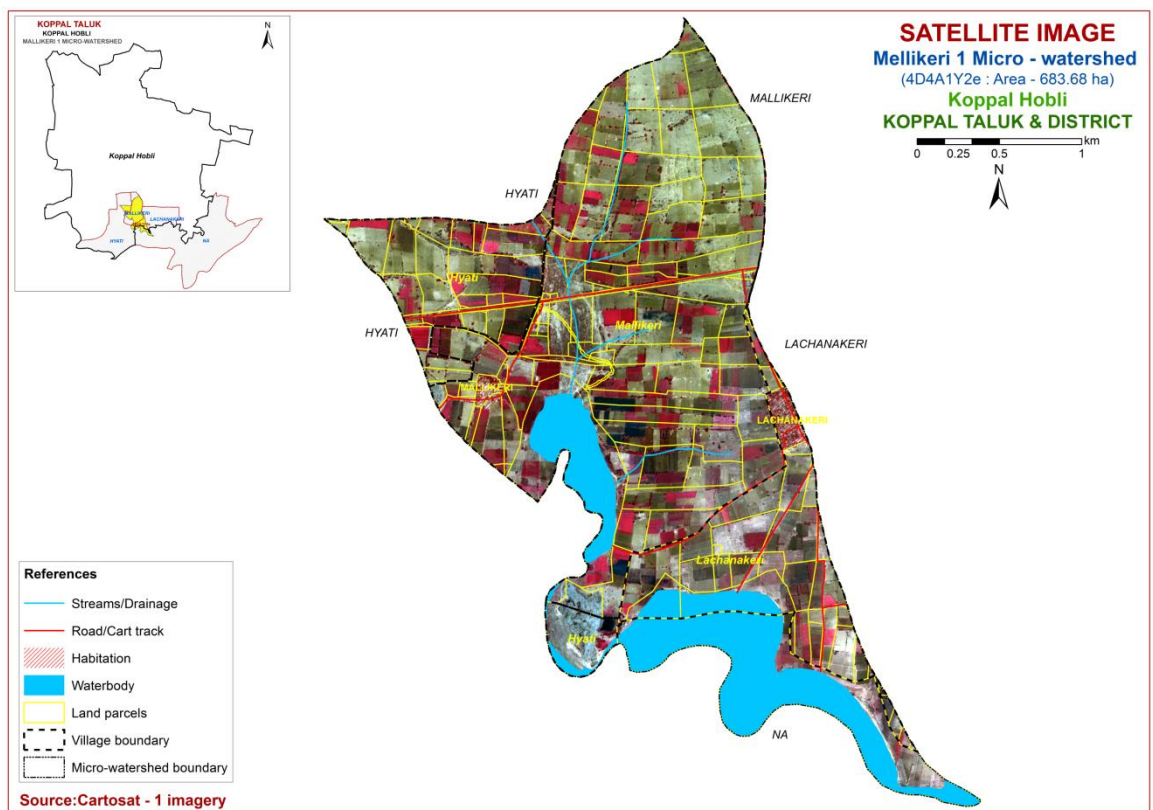


Fig. 3.3 Cadastral map overlaid on IRS PAN+LISS IV merged imagery of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

### 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 plains 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).

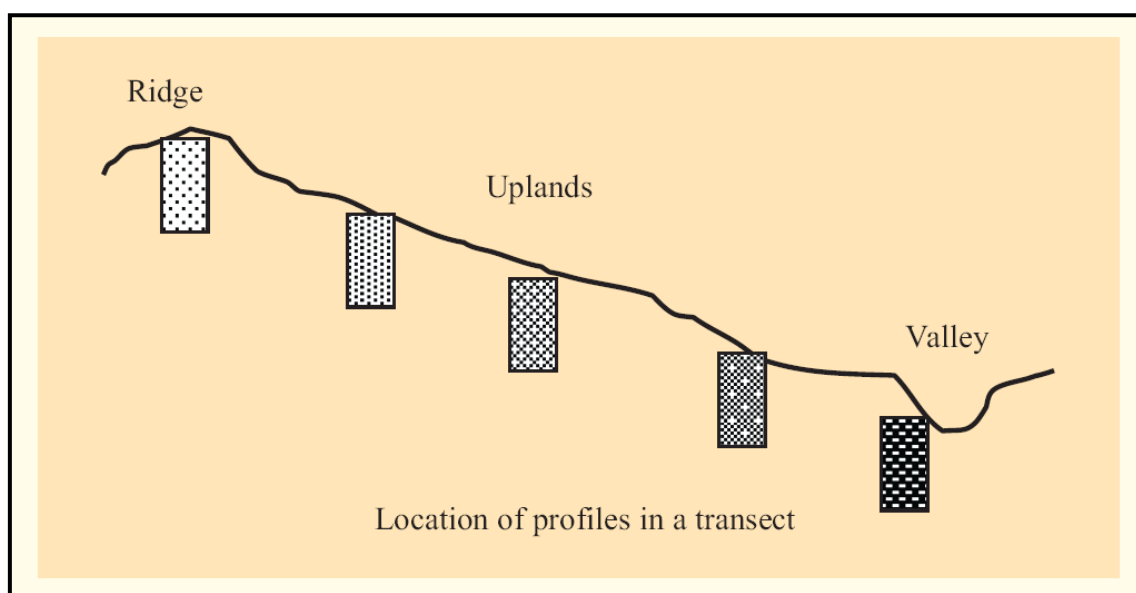


Fig. 3.4 Location of profiles in a transect

In the selected transect, soil profiles (Fig. 3.4) were located at closely spaced intervals to take care of any change in the land features like break in slope, erosion, gravel, stones etc. In the selected sites, soil 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 to validate the soil map unit boundaries.

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, amount and nature of gravel present, calcareousness, 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, 15 soil series were identified in Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed.

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

Soils of Granite gneiss Landscape							
Sl. No.	Soil Series	Depth (cm)	Colour (moist)	Texture	Gravel (%)	Horizon sequence	Calcareousness
1	Thammadahalli (TDH)	50-75	2.5YR2.5/4,3/6	sc-c	<15	Ap-Bt-Cr	yes
2	Kutegoudanahundi (KGH)	50-75	7.5YR3/2,3/3,3/4	gsc1	15-35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
3	Hatti (HTI)	50-75	5 YR 3/3, 3/4,	gsc	15-35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
4	Lakkur (LKR)	50-75	2.5YR 2.5/3, 2.5/4, 3/4, 3/6	gsc	40-60	Ap-Bt-Bc-Cr	-
5	Mukhadahalli (MKH)	50-75	5YR3/3,3/4,4/3, 5/4,6/6 2.5YR3/4	gsc	>35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
6	Honnenahalli (HNH)	50-75	7.5YR3/3,4/310YR3/3	sc	-	Ap-Bw-Cr	-
7	Bisarahalli (BSR)	75-100	5 YR 3/3, 3/4	gsc	15-35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
8	Chikkamegheri (CKM)	75-100	2.5YR2.5/3,3/4, 3/6	sc	-	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
9	Hooradhahalli (HDH)	75-100	2.5YR2.5/4,3/4, 3/6	gsc-gc	>35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
10	Balapur (BPR)	100-150	2.5YR2.5/4,3/4	gsc-gc	>35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
11	Nagalapur (NGP)	100-150	5YR2.5/2,3/2, 2.5YR3/6,4/6	gsc	>35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
12	Giddadapalya (GDP)	100-150	2.5YR3/4, 3/6	gsc-gc	30-60 after 60 cm	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
13	Jedigere (JDG)	100-150	5YR 4/6, 3/4, 7.5YR 3/4, 4/6	sc-c	<15	Ap-Bt-BC-Cr	-
14	Kumchahalli (KMH)	100-150	2.5YR3/4, 3/6	sc	<15	Bt-Cr	-
15	Ranatur (RTR)	>150	2.5YR2.5/3,2.5/4, 3/3,4/6	c	-	Ap-Bt	-

### 3.4 Soil Mapping

The area under each soil series was further separated into 28 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 soil 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 28 mapping units representing 15 soil series occurring in the microwatershed. The soil map unit (soil legend) description is presented in Table 3.2. The soil phase map (management units) shows the distribution of 28 soil phases 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 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 in the year 2018 from Mellikeri-1 farmer's fields for fertility status (major and micronutrients) at 320 m grid interval were analyzed in the laboratory (Katyal and Rattan, 2003). By linking the soil fertility data to the survey numbers through GIS, soil fertility maps were generated using Kriging method for the microwatershed.

**Table 3.2 Soil map unit description of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed**

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
<b>Soils of Granite gneiss Landscape</b>				
	TDH		Thammadahalli soils are moderately shallow (50-75cm), well drained, have brown to very dark brown and dark reddish brown sandy clay to clay soils occurring on nearly level to gently sloping uplands	<b>13 (1.96)</b>
60		TDHiB1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	13 (1.96)
	KGH		Kutegoudanahundi soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have brown to dark brown gravelly sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>51 (7.4)</b>
63		KGHcA1	Sandy loam surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	19 (2.72)
64		KGHcB1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	9 (1.36)
68		KGHhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	21 (3.02)

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
69		KGHhB2g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	2 (0.3)
	HTI		Hatti soils are moderately shallow (50-75cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown, gravelly sandy clay red soils occur on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>4</b> <b>(0.56)</b>
100		HTIiB2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	4 (0.56)
	LKR		Lakkur soils are moderately shallow (50-75cm), well drained, have reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay red soils occurring on nearly level to very gently and gently sloping uplands	<b>11 (1.66)</b>
43		LKRcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	11 (1.66)
	MKH		Mukhadahalli soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to reddish brown, gravelly sandy clay soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>8</b> <b>(1.2)</b>
82		MKHhB1g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	5 (0.77)
83		MKHhB1g2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, very gravelly (35-60%)	3 (0.43)
	HNH		Honnenahalli soils are moderately deep (50 to 75 cm), well drained, have brown to dark brown sandy clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping lowlands under cultivation	<b>9</b> <b>(1.25)</b>
464		HNHhB2g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	9 (1.25)
	BSR		Bisarahalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown gravelly sandy clay red soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>7</b> <b>(0.95)</b>
161		BSRhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	7 (0.95)
	CKM		Chikkamegheri soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark brown to dark reddish brown and red sandy clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>6</b> <b>(0.9)</b>
177		CKMiA1	Sandy clay surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	1 (0.21)
178		CKMiB1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	5 (0.69)
	HDH		Hooradhahalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have red to dark red and reddish brown gravelly sandy clay to clay soils occurring on very gently	<b>165</b> <b>(24.18)</b>

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
			to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	
111		HDHcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	82 (12.0)
122		HDHhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	13 (1.97)
123		HDHhB2g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	70 (10.21)
	BPR		Balapur soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>55 (8.16)</b>
224		BPRcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	10 (1.51)
225		BPRcB2g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	8 (1.22)
231		BPRhB2g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	37 (5.43)
	NGP		Nagalapur soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red, gravelly sandy clay soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>68 (9.94)</b>
252		NGPcB2g2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, very gravelly (35-60%)	20 (2.89)
260		NGPhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	48 (7.05)
	GDP		Giddadapalya soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>12 (1.81)</b>
267		GDPcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	8 (1.18)
268		GDPPhB2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	4 (0.63)
	JDG		Jedigere soils are deep (100-150 cm) well drained, have yellowish red to strong brown sandy clay to clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>10 (1.48)</b>
456		JDGcB2	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	10 (1.48)
	KMH		Kumchahalli soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red sandy clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>46 (6.67)</b>
198		KMHhB1g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	3 (0.43)

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
201		KMH <sub>i</sub> B <sub>2</sub>	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	43 (6.24)
	RTR		Ranatur soils are very deep (> 150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red clayey soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>102 (14.92)</b>
285		RTRcB <sub>2</sub>	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	41 (6.07)
288		RTR <sub>i</sub> B <sub>2</sub>	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	61 (8.85)
999		Rock outcrops	Rock lands, both massive and bouldery with little or no soil	<b>11 (1.62)</b>
1000		Habitation		<b>105 (15.36)</b>

\*Soil map unit numbers are continuous for the taluk, not the microwatersheds

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

The 28 soil phases identified and mapped in the microwatershed were regrouped into 5 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 Mellikeri-1 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.





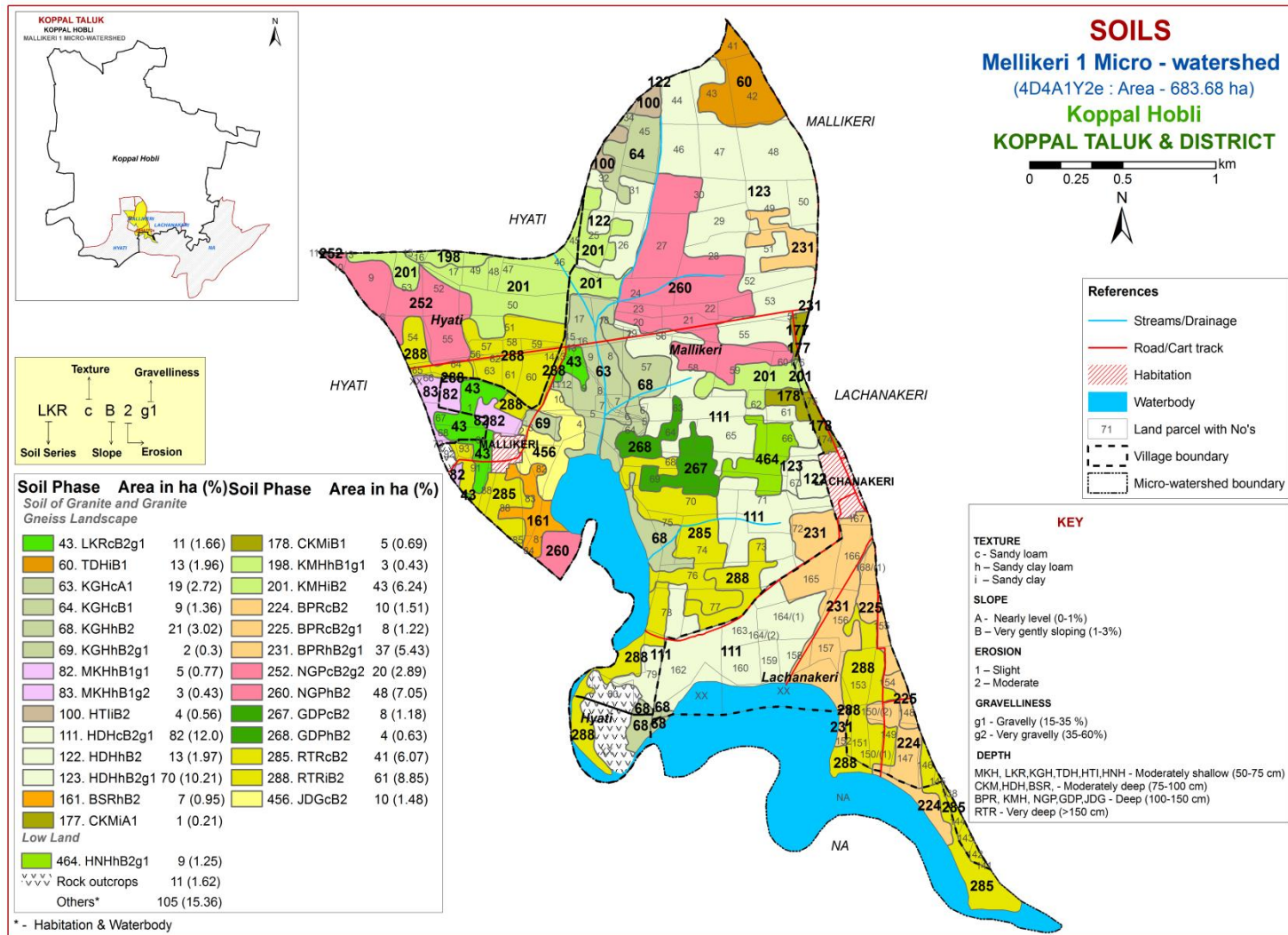


Fig 3.5 Soil Phase or Management Units-Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed



## THE SOILS

Detailed information pertaining to the nature, extent and distribution of different kinds of soils occurring in Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed is provided in this chapter. The microwatershed area has been identified as granite gneiss and alluvial landscapes based on geology. In all, 15 soil series are identified. Soil formation is the result of the combined effect of environmental and terrain factors that are reflected in soil morphology. The soil formation is dominantly influenced by the parent material, climate, time and relief.

A brief description of each of the 15 soil series identified followed by 28 soil phases (management units) mapped (Fig. 3.4) are furnished below. The physical and chemical characteristics of soil series identified in Mellikeri-1 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 and granite gneiss landscape

In this landscape, 15 soil series are identified and mapped. Of these, Hooradhahalli (HDH) series occupies maximum area of 165 ha (24%), Ranatur (RTR) 102 ha (15%), Nagalapur (NGP) 68 ha (10%), Balapur (BPR) 55 ha (8%), Kutegoudanahundi (KGH) 51 ha (7%), Kumchahalli (KMH) 46 ha (7%), Thammadahalli (TDH) 13 ha (2%), Giddadapalya (GDP) 12 ha (2%), Lakkur (LKR) 11 ha (2%), Jedigere (JDG) 10 ha (1%), Honnenahalli (HNN) 9 ha (1%), Mukhadahalli (MKH) 8 ha (1%), Bisarahalli (BSR) 7 ha (1%), Chikkamegheri (CKM) 6 ha (1%) and Hatti (HTI) occupy minor area of about 4 ha (1%) in the microwatershed. The brief description of each soil series along with the soil phases identified and mapped is given below.

**4.1.1 Thammadahalli (TDH) Series:** Thammadahalli soils are moderately shallow (50-75cm), well drained, have brown to very dark brown and dark reddish brown sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to gently sloping uplands. The Thammadahalli series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Rhodic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 54 to 75 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 11 to 19 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR, 5YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 4 and chroma 2 to 6. The texture varies from sandy clay loam to clay with 10 to 20 per cent

gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 43 to 60 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 4 to 6. Its texture is sandy clay to clay. The available water capacity is medium (100-150 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Thammadahalli (TDH) Series

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

The thickness of the solum ranges from 50 to 74 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 12 to 22 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. The texture varies from loamy sand to sandy loam with 15 to 30 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 40 to 62 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. Its texture is sandy clay loam with gravel content of 15 to 35 per cent. The available water capacity is medium (100-150 mm/m). Four phases were identified and mapped



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Kutegoudanahundi (KGH) Series

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

The thickness of the solum ranges from 57 to 74 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 16 to 20 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. The texture varies from sandy loam to sandy clay loam and sandy clay with 15 to 60 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 45 to 56 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 3 to 4. Texture is sandy clay with 15 to 35 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Hatti (HTI) Series

**4.1.4 Lakkur (LKR) Series:** Lakkur soils are moderately shallow (50-75cm), well drained, have reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay red soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to very gently and gently sloping uplands. The Lakkur series has been classified as a member of the clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Rhodustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 51 to 74 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 12 to 18 cm. Its colour is in 5YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 4 to 6. The texture varies from loamy sand to sandy clay loam with 15 to 50 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 39 to 58 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 4 to 6. Texture is sandy clay with 40 to 60 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Lakkur (LKR) Series

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

The thickness of the solum ranges from 51 to 72 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 12 to 17 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 2 to 4. The texture varies from loamy sand to sandy loam with 20 to 45 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 40 to 68 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR and 5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 6. Texture is sandy clay loam to sandy clay with 35 to 50 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Mukhadahalli (MKH) Series

**4.1.6 Honnenahalli (HNH) Series:** Honnenahalli soils are moderately deep (50 to 75 cm), well drained, have brown to dark brown sandy clay soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping lowlands. The Honnenahalli series has been tentatively classified as a member of the fine-loamy, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustepts.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 52 to 74 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 12 to 21 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 3 to 4. The texture varies from sandy clay loam to sandy loam with 5 to 10 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 45 to 62 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 3 to 4. Its texture is sandy clay. The available water capacity is medium (100-150 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Honnenahalli (HNH) Series

**4.1.7 Bisarahalli (BSR) Series:** Bisarahalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown gravelly sandy clay red soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Bisarahalli series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed isohyperthermic family of Typic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 75 to 98 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 17 to 25 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture ranges from sandy clay loam to sandy clay with 15 to 35 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 61 to 79 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 3 to 4. Its texture is gravelly sandy clay with gravel content of 15-35 per cent. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Bisarahalli (BSR) Series

**4.1.8 Chikkamegheri (CKM) Series:** Chikkamegheri soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark brown to dark reddish brown and red sandy clay soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands. The Chikkamegheri series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Rhodic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 76 to 100 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 11 to 24 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR, 5YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture varies from sandy clay loam to sandy clay with 10 to 15 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 65 to 86 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 3 and chroma 3 to 6. Its texture is dominantly sandy clay to clay. The available water capacity is medium (100-150 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.





Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Chikkamegheri (CKM) Series

**4.1.9 Hooradhahalli (HDH) Series:** Hooradhahalli soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have red to dark red and reddish brown gravelly sandy clay to clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands. The Hooradhahalli series has been classified as a member of the clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Rhodic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 76 to 100 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 11 to 19 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture varies from loamy sand to sandy clay with 15 to 50 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon varies from 65 to 83 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 3 and chroma 4 to 6. Texture is sandy clay to clay with 35 to 50 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Three phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Hooradhahalli (HDH) Series

**4.1.10 Balapur (BPR) Series:** Balapur soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils. These soils are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands. The Balapur series has been classified as a member of the clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Rhodustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 102 to 147 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 12 to 17 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 2.5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. The texture ranges from loamy sand to sandy clay with 15 to 50 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 90 to 132 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 3 and chroma 4 to 6. Texture is sandy clay to clay with 35 to 50 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is medium (100-150 mm/m). Three phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Balapur (BPR) Series

**4.1.11 Nagalapur (NGP) Series:** Nagalapur soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red, gravelly sandy clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently to gently sloping uplands. The Nagalapur series has been classified as a member of the clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 105 to 145 cm. The thickness of A-horizon ranges from 14 to 20 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. The texture ranges from sandy loam to sandy clay with 10 to 50 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 90 to 128 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR and 5 YR hue with value 3 to 5 and chroma 3 to 6. Texture is sandy clay to clay with 35 to 80 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil Profile Characteristics of Nagalapur (NGP) Series

**4.1.12 Giddadapalya (GDP) Series:** Giddadapalya soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils. They are developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Giddadapalya series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Rhodic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 106 to 145 cm. The thickness of A-horizon ranges from 12 to 13 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR hue with value and chroma 3 to 4. The texture ranges from sandy loam with 10 to 15 per cent gravel. The thickness of B-horizon ranges from 106 to 123 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. Texture is sandy clay to clay with 35 to 75 per cent gravel after 60 cm depth. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Giddadapalya (GDP) Series

**4.1.13 Jedigere (JDG) Series:** Jedigere soils are deep (100-150 cm) well drained, have yellowish red to strong brown sandy clay to clay soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands under cultivation. The Jedigere series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Haplustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 117 to 145 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 13 to 21 cm. Its colour is in hue 5 YR and 7.5 YR with value 2 to 4 and chroma 2 to 6. Its texture is dominantly sandy clay and sand clay loam. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 104 to 124 cm. Its colour is in hue 5 YR and 7.5 YR with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. Its texture is dominantly clay. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Only one phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil Profile Characteristics of Jedigere (JDG) Series

**4.1.14 Kumchahalli (KMH) Series:** Kumchahalli soils are deep (100-150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red sandy clay soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping uplands. The Kumchahalli series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Rhodustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 102 to 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 11 to 23 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 3 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture is dominantly sandy clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 95 to 132 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 4 to 6. Its texture is dominantly sandy clay loam to sandy clay. The available water capacity is high (150-200 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Kumchahalli (KMH) Series

**4.1.15 Ranatur (RTR) Series:** Ranatur soils are very deep (> 150 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red clayey soils. They have developed from weathered granite gneiss and occur on very gently sloping uplands. The Ranatur series has been classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Rhodic Paleustalfs.

The thickness of the solum is more than 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 8 to 14 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture varies from sandy loam to sand clay. The thickness of B horizon is more than 150 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 to 3 and chroma 3 to 6. Its texture is clay. The available water capacity is high (150-200 mm/m). Two phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Ranatur (RTR) Series

**Table: 4.1 Physical and Chemical Characteristics of Soil Series identified in Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed**

**Soil Series:** Thammadahalli (TDH), **Pedon:** TR<sub>1</sub>/1

**Location:** 15°03'41.7"N, 75°36'65.2"E, (4D4A3G2d), Nilogal village, Shirahatti taluk, Gadag district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Rhodic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-25	Ap	85.71	7.34	6.94	14.79	13.28	16.10	24.75	16.80	20	ls	-	-
25-65	Bt	47.76	7.96	44.28	15.30	9.78	6.24	7.91	8.53	10	sc	-	-

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>						%	%	
0-25	9.19	-	-	0.18	0.35	1.29	-	-	0.08	0.52	0.60	3.57	0.51	100.00	5.82			
25-65	8.00	-	-	0.17	0.35	0.58	-	-	0.15	1.31	1.46	13.87	0.31	100.00	3.78			

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**Series Name:** Kutegoudanahundi (KGH), **Pedon:** R1

**Location:** Lambani tanda village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore.

**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)				
0-12	Ap	79.84	7.93	12.23	30.70	15.50	14.08	12.26	7.29	20	sl	10.46	4.79
12-35	Bt1	64.49	9.69	25.82	33.88	10.92	8.06	7.45	4.18	25	scl	16.40	9.12
35-58	Bt2	62.27	9.51	28.22	35.38	8.90	7.06	3.27	7.67	30	scl	19.13	11.05
58-72	Bc	62.77	7.40	29.83	32.76	11.50	7.63	6.82	4.07	40	scl	19.86	10.16

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>					%	%		
0-12	6.66			0.089	0.83		6.39	1.56	0.21	0.08	8.23	8.22	0.67	100	0.93
12-35	7.39			0.061	0.73				0.25	0.07		14.95	0.58	100	0.49
35-58	7.56			0.064	0.69				0.27	0.08		16.34	0.58	100	0.52
58-72	7.92			0.146	0.47				0.36	0.12		17.72	0.59	100	0.69

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**Series Name:** Hatti (HTI), **Pedon:** R-20

**Location:** 15<sup>0</sup>21'45"N, 76<sup>0</sup>03'06" E Lakshmapura village Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-16	Ap	65.33	12.19	22.48	13.79	11.32	13.37	18.31	8.54	15-20	scl	16.83	5.49
16-41	Bt1	41.54	14.04	44.42	6.47	6.26	9.50	13.36	5.95	15-20	c	27.26	16.64
41-64	Bt2	48.71	8.48	42.81	26.06	7.55	5.38	6.31	3.41	55-60	sc	27.22	12.63

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				
				cmol kg <sup>-1</sup>						%	%				
0-16	7.11			0.109	0.92		21.06	8.23	0.39	0.06	29.74	20.19	0.90	147	0.30
16-41	7.54			0.220	0.92		21.93	8.47	0.23	0.27	30.90	31.31	0.70	99	0.85
41-64	7.82			0.168	0.55		19.43	7.09	0.31	0.47	27.30	26.57	0.62	103	1.77

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**Soil Series:** Lakkur (LKR), **Pedon:** RM-8.

**Location:** 15°04'26.3"N, 75°37'84.1"E, (4D4A3I1f), Belhatti village, Shirahatti taluk, Gadag district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Rhodustalfs

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)				
0-21	Ap	74.00	8.34	17.66	9.62	11.57	15.76	23.13	13.92	20	sl	-	-
21-35	Bt	54.37	10.48	35.14	16.33	8.64	9.69	11.59	8.11	40	sc	-	-
35-56	Bc	48.37	13.46	38.17	10.96	7.69	9.17	11.28	9.27	60	sc	-	-

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>					%	%		
0-21	8.18	-	-	0.30	0.56	0.94	-	-	0.31	0.55	0.86	12.19	0.69	100.00	4.51
21-35	8.17	-	-	0.30	0.52	1.29	-	-	0.19	0.84	1.03	22.18	0.63	100.00	3.79
35-56	7.95	-	-	0.46	0.48	1.99	-	-	0.24	0.58	0.82	22.94	0.60	100.00	2.53

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**Series Name:** Mukahadahalli (MKH), **Pedon:** R-11

**Location:** 15°22'05.4"N, 76°04'10.3"E, Halageri village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Clayey-skeletal, 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)				
0-19	Ap	65.71	8.83	25.46	9.27	9.06	14.42	21.52	11.43	70	scl	16.54	8.60
19-32	Bt	55.89	11.13	32.98	6.47	9.18	11.89	19.19	9.18	50	scl	19.24	12.78
32-58	Bt	47.95	10.41	41.63	17.52	3.78	9.13	9.55	7.97	50	sc	24.03	16.02

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>					%	%		
0-19	7.38	-	-	0.09	0.2	0.00	8.97	4.32	0.26	0.22	13.77	14.84	0.58	93	1.49
19-32	7.5	-	-	0.106	0.41	0.00	15.98	3.27	0.16	0.50	19.91	20.88	0.63	95	2.38
32-58	7.46	-	-	0.173	0.49	0.00	19.71	4.53	0.23	1.32	25.79	25.76	0.62	100	5.11

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**Series Name:** Honnenahalli (HNH), **Pedon:** R-9

**Location:** 15°31'26"N, 76°15'55.0"E Hosura village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore.

**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)				
0-20	Ap	45.73	27.63	26.65	18.85	8.75	5.25	5.77	7.11	15	scl	16.95	8.71
20-35	Bw1	53.87	20.02	26.11	20.95	12.07	8.05	6.81	5.99	15	scl	15.94	8.39
35-50	Bw2	61.98	12.47	25.54	24.38	15.60	9.09	7.33	5.58	15	scl	15.27	9.04
50-70	Bw3	62.35	10.44	27.21	28.81	13.48	8.13	6.28	5.66	10	scl	17.44	9.25

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				
0-20	7.94	-	-	0.99	1.24	-	14.78	2.59	0.10	0.38	17.85	18.00	0.68	99.15	2.13
20-35	7.68	-	-	0.09	0.81	-	15.03	3.02	0.10	0.32	18.46	18.40	0.70	100.34	1.72
35-50	7.63	-	-	0.06	0.48	-	14.28	2.91	0.10	0.28	17.56	17.50	0.69	100.37	1.61
50-70	7.67	-	-	0.06	0.48	-	13.78	2.29	0.13	0.36	16.56	18.20	0.67	90.99	1.96

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**Series Name:** Bisarahalli (BSR), **Pedon:** R-9

**Location:** 15°25'21.0"N, 76°11'42.0"E Hatti village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-14	Ap	70.11	9.29	20.60	22.31	15.97	11.98	9.83	10.03	20	scl	13.22	7.81
14-57	Bt1	47.27	7.52	45.20	27.04	8.28	4.61	2.10	5.24	25	sc	16.39	13.31
57-80	Bt2	41.93	8.67	49.40	21.95	6.83	4.76	4.66	3.73	30	c	21.41	15.41
80-99	Bt3	49.02	9.87	41.11	19.90	10.78	6.84	6.42	5.08	40	sc	21.82	14.24

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				
0-14	6.59	-	-	0.12	0.73	-	4.47	1.77	0.06	0.53	6.82	8.80	0.43	77.55	6.00
14-57	7.02	-	-	0.04	0.48	-	5.85	2.31	0.06	0.20	8.43	14.70	0.33	57.32	1.36
57-80	7.00	-	-	0.05	0.28	-	11.74	2.26	0.08	0.22	14.31	15.60	0.32	91.73	1.44
80-99	6.90	-	-	0.06	0.18	-	13.70	2.16	0.08	0.14	16.08	16.50	0.40	97.44	0.83

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**Series Name:** Chikkamegheri (CKM), **Pedon:** RM-2

**Location:** 15°21'40"N, 76°16'43"E, Gudannahalli village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Rhodic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-10	Ap	66.80	5.51	27.69	10.14	10.04	20.29	14.75	11.58	-	scl	20.59	7.15
10-25	Bt1	39.52	7.17	53.32	8.75	9.59	7.27	8.43	5.48	-	c	26.96	13.99
25-38	Bt2	42.00	7.16	50.84	13.16	8.74	6.42	8.53	5.16	-	c	26.51	13.42
38-55	Bt3	41.77	10.31	47.92	15.19	8.54	6.33	7.38	4.32	10	c	25.28	14.10
55-70	Bt4	44.03	8.96	47.01	15.72	9.22	6.92	6.81	5.35	20	c	24.30	14.35
70-90	Bt5	56.02	8.46	35.52	11.41	17.07	12.36	10.26	4.92	25	sc	20.59	13.06

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>	%	%								%	%
0-10	7.99	-	-	0.326	0.83	4.44	9.35	4.76	0.28	0.54	14.93	12.50	0.45	119	1.73
10-25	7.36	-	-	0.345	0.99	2.40	10.37	4.84	0.10	1.18	16.48	17.60	0.33	94	2.67
25-38	6.69	-	-	0.477	0.79	0.00	10.25	4.20	0.09	1.61	16.15	16.10	0.32	100	4.00
38-55	6.45	-	-	0.548	0.63	0.00	9.43	2.86	0.10	1.52	13.91	14.80	0.31	94	4.11
55-70	6.35	-	-	0.532	0.71	0.00	9.59	2.79	0.11	1.66	14.16	14.60	0.31	97	4.56
70-90	6.44	-	-	0.613	0.27	0.00	9.58	3.10	0.19	1.87	14.74	14.70	0.41	100	5.08

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**Soil Series:** Hooradhahalli (HDH), **Pedon:** RM-69

**Location:** 13°24'31"N, 76°33'41"E, (4D3D8G2d), Hesarahalli village, Chikkanayakanahalli taluk, Tumukura district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic Rhodic Paleustalfs

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	72.56	15.17	12.27	4.57	8.33	17.38	23.88	18.39	35	sl	-	-
18-33	Bt1	56.29	10.75	32.96	7.88	10.24	13.41	14.43	10.34	55	scl	-	-
33-58	Bt2	46.66	10.79	42.55	10.79	9.87	8.43	9.04	8.53	55	sc	-	-
58-90	Bt3	43.09	13.63	43.27	9.90	8.25	7.32	8.76	8.87	45	c	-	-

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				
0-18	6.54	-	-	0.07	0.60	0.00	2.68	1.38	0.44	0.42	4.91	5.84	0.48	84.07	7.11
18-33	5.90	-	-	0.07	0.52	0.00	3.99	1.27	0.09	0.37	5.71	8.61	0.26	66.32	4.29
33-58	6.16	-	-	0.07	0.44	0.00	4.92	1.67	0.08	0.55	7.22	10.00	0.24	72.23	5.50
58-90	6.39	-	-	0.06	0.40	0.00	4.30	2.02	0.08	0.46	6.87	9.21	0.21	74.61	5.05

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**Soil Series:** Balapur (BPR), **Pedon:** RM-78

**Location:** 13°26'39"N, 76°35'03"E, (4D3D8G2c), Kasaba, Chikkanayakanahalli taluk, Tumakuru district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Clayey-skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Rhodustalfs

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	65.66	18.66	15.68	4.14	6.16	13.33	21.82	20.20	-	sl	-	-
12-34	Bt1	61.91	11.52	26.57	2.36	6.78	12.53	21.36	18.89	-	scl	-	-
34-60	Bt2	51.81	11.24	36.94	4.66	5.70	12.23	15.96	13.26	30	sc	-	-
60-84	Bt3	46.61	9.02	44.37	14.70	6.88	7.51	8.97	8.55	55	sc	-	-
84-112	Bt4	48.75	12.92	38.33	15.73	8.13	6.87	8.23	9.79	60	sc	-	-
112-127	Bc	50.98	24.74	24.28	5.25	4.63	5.15	10.92	25.03	50	scl	-	-

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				
0-12	6.64	-	-	0.03	0.56	0.00	1.90	1.32	0.21	0.03	3.46	5.45	0.35	63.48	0.51
12-34	6.99	-	-	0.02	0.48	0.00	3.66	1.90	0.07	0.08	5.70	7.82	0.29	72.93	0.96
34-60	7.29	-	-	0.02	0.40	0.00	5.13	2.08	0.11	0.20	7.52	11.19	0.30	67.18	1.75
60-84	7.50	-	-	0.02	0.32	0.00	5.83	6.36	0.13	0.23	12.55	12.38	0.28	101.43	1.83
84-112	7.54	-	-	0.02	0.24	0.00	6.02	6.59	0.11	0.25	12.96	12.77	0.33	101.49	1.97
112-127	7.90	-	-	0.02	0.20	0.00	8.04	3.62	0.07	0.32	12.04	12.47	0.51	96.56	2.55

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**Series Name:** Nagalapur ( NGP), **Pedon :** R-10

**Location:** 15°26'38.0"N, 76°10'27.0" E Budashettynala village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Clayey- skeletal, mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-16	Ap	78.43	6.36	15.21	25.23	18.82	14.04	13.22	7.12	30	sl	9.32	5.56
16-38	Bt1	46.97	8.53	44.51	14.33	12.34	7.43	6.80	6.07	30	sc	18.70	13.79
38-58	Bt2	51.92	7.48	40.60	20.98	10.07	7.37	7.48	6.02	40	sc	17.93	13.75
58-81	Bt3	54.05	7.18	38.77	27.07	10.58	5.91	5.81	4.67	50	sc	17.92	11.87
81-104	Bt4	59.03	8.93	32.04	21.88	13.11	8.88	8.05	7.12	50	scl	16.63	10.55
104-126	BC	62.35	9.26	28.40	21.19	14.51	9.88	8.13	8.64	60	scl	15.03	10.06

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>								
0-16	6.77	-	-	0.09	0.82	-	3.52	2.14	0.18	0.03	5.87	7.10	0.47	82.70	0.46
16-38	6.89	-	-	0.06	0.57	-	9.35	3.85	0.10	0.21	13.50	14.70	0.33	91.87	1.40
38-58	6.80	-	-	0.06	0.52	-	8.76	3.42	0.10	0.26	12.55	14.20	0.35	88.35	1.85
58-81	6.84	-	-	0.06	0.32	-	7.67	2.77	0.10	0.58	11.12	12.90	0.33	86.18	4.48
81-104	6.86	-	-	0.05	0.20	-	6.97	2.07	0.09	0.95	10.07	11.90	0.37	84.59	7.95
104-126	6.70	-	-	0.07	0.10	-	5.53	1.77	0.07	0.73	8.09	9.40	0.33	86.09	7.77

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**Series Name:** Giddadapalya (GDP), **Pedon:** R-8

**Location:** 15°25'26"N, 76°10'59"E, Kalakeri village, Koppal Taluk and District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Rhodic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-16	Ap	74.95	9.24	15.81	18.43	18.94	13.85	14.97	8.76	-	sl	11.88	5.09
16-43	Bt1	41.69	13.89	44.42	9.84	10.90	7.41	7.62	5.93	-	c	23.13	14.53
43-61	Bt2	47.67	6.13	46.19	21.14	10.15	5.29	6.45	4.65	-	sc	21.60	11.87
61-83	Bt3	52.52	7.10	40.38	24.42	10.59	5.66	7.55	4.30	40	sc	19.51	11.35
83-119	Bt4	43.76	11.59	44.65	20.15	7.56	5.77	5.46	4.83	60	c	20.80	12.06
119-139	Bt5	54.93	9.84	35.23	29.70	10.49	5.50	5.92	3.32	50	sc	15.24	11.97

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				
0-16	7.88	-	-	0.103	0.79	-	5.98	1.35	0.05	0.22	7.60	7.8	0.49	97	2.87
16-43	7.81	-	-	0.117	0.66	-	13.99	1.97	0.08	0.46	16.50	16.9	0.38	98	2.74
43-61	7.74	-	-	0.132	0.51	-	12.70	2.18	0.08	0.69	15.64	15.9	0.34	98	4.36
61-83	7.72	-	-	0.142	0.39	-	11.46	2.22	0.08	0.66	14.41	14.6	0.36	99	4.53
83-119	7.58	-	-	0.115	0.22	-	11.30	2.70	0.09	0.73	14.82	15.3	0.34	97	4.79
119-139	7.50	-	-	0.113	0.22	-	10.03	2.19	0.07	0.65	12.95	13.2	0.37	98	4.89

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**Series Name:** Jedigere (JDG), **Pedon:** R5

**Location:** Chennahalu village, Yelburga Taluk and Koppal District

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore.

**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)				
0-14	Ap	70.63	8.33	21.04	16.26	23.58	13.41	11.59	5.79	-	scl	13.46	6.17
14-39	Bt1	49.95	11.56	38.49	10.61	17.40	10.30	7.42	4.22	-	sc	23.07	13.70
39-62	Bt2	45.88	11.44	42.68	10.72	16.70	9.28	6.80	2.37	-	sc	25.24	15.20
62-94	Bt3	42.89	8.51	48.61	9.48	14.54	8.35	6.80	3.71	-	c	25.30	14.07
94-118	Bt4	45.24	11.90	42.86	10.66	15.53	8.59	6.63	3.83	-	sc	23.52	13.58

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>						%	%	
0-14	6.11			0.078	0.83		5.58	2.49	0.18	0.19	8.45	9.41	0.45	90	2.06
14-39	6.87			0.123	0.67		12.01	5.62	0.32	0.29	18.24	18.22	0.47	100	1.59
39-62	7.65			0.121	0.50				0.42	0.43		21.68	0.51	-	1.99
62-94	8.21			0.188	0.28				0.34	0.41		21.09	0.43	-	1.93
94-118	8.23			0.189	0.24				0.33	0.36		17.62	0.41	-	2.02

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Series Name: Kumchahalli (KMH), Pedon: RM-9

Location: 15°20'05"N, 76°13'21"E, Basapura village, Koppal Taluk and District

Analysis at: NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore. Classification: Fine mixed, isohyperthermic Typic Rhodustalfs

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)				
0-13	Ap	51.76	9.05	39.19	7.99	8.84	13.42	14.38	7.14	-	sc	20.08	13.69
13-27	A21	53.50	8.12	38.38	7.00	11.05	15.21	14.33	5.91	-	sc	17.05	12.32
27-43	A22	63.60	5.01	31.40	3.85	11.56	24.52	18.52	5.14	-	scl	11.76	9.09
43-64	Bt1	48.74	5.91	45.35	8.87	9.31	12.49	12.27	5.81	10	sc	16.68	13.35
64-84	Bt2	45.13	8.90	45.97	9.86	7.12	10.95	10.62	6.57	20	sc	17.45	13.42
84-114	BC	65.04	6.94	28.02	10.49	16.21	17.80	13.88	6.67	40	scl	13.20	9.75

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				
0-13	7.2	-	-	0.193	0.81	3.00	9.69	3.93	1.41	0.08	15.10	15.07	0.38	100	0.54
13-27	7.13	-	-	0.161	0.7	3.00	8.69	3.57	1.29	0.16	13.70	13.75	0.36	100	1.14
27-43	7.31	-	-	0.096	0.89	2.64	5.19	2.36	1.07	0.24	8.86	9.46	0.30	94	2.51
43-64	7.65	-	-	0.089	1.16	2.52	8.25	2.88	0.72	0.35	12.20	12.65	0.28	96	2.79
64-84	7.98	-	-	0.1	0.38	3.12	10.49	2.88	0.26	0.41	14.04	14.63	0.32	96	2.78
84-114	8.23	-	-	0.121	0.58	2.88	8.02	1.87	0.09	0.43	10.41	10.67	0.38	98	4.02

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**Soil Series:** Ranatur (RTR), **Pedon:** TR7-3

**Location:** 15°07'58.3"N, 75°38'30.6"E, (4D4A3G2d), Devihal-4 microwatershed, Shirahatti taluk, Gadag district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bengaluru **Classification:** Fine, mixed, isohyperthermic Rhodic Paleustalfs

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)				
0-10	Ap	80.08	8.23	11.69	7.22	16.46	17.68	21.95	16.77	<5	sl	-	-
10-34	Bt1	44.96	12.64	42.39	3.84	11.42	10.07	11.32	8.31	<5	c	-	-
34-71	Bt2	43.35	13.02	43.63	5.20	10.40	9.77	9.77	8.21	<5	c	-	-
71-100	Bt3	47.00	10.23	42.77	10.43	12.71	9.09	7.54	7.23	<5	sc	-	-
100-138	Bt4	45.04	12.78	42.17	8.37	10.33	9.30	9.19	7.85	<5	sc	-	-
138-170	Bt5	44.63	13.79	41.58	9.19	8.99	8.26	9.40	8.78	<5	c	-	-

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				
0-10	6.47	-	-	0.03	0.49	0.00	5.61	1.33	0.13	0.01	7.07	7.07	0.60	100.00	0.41
10-34	6.46	-	-	0.03	0.57	0.00	11.69	3.19	0.14	0.01	15.03	16.87	0.40	89.00	0.06
34-71	7.23	-	-	0.03	0.53	1.20	-	-	0.16	0.01	-	17.33	0.40	100.00	0.06
71-100	7.60	-	-	0.03	0.3	0.30	-	-	0.17	0.04	-	17.21	0.40	100.00	0.23
100-138	7.88	-	-	0.03	0.6	0.42	-	-	0.17	0.15	-	16.30	0.39	100.00	0.92
138-170	8.12	-	-	0.08	0.64	0.60	-	-	0.14	0.06	-	16.87	0.41	100.00	0.36

## 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 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:* Soil depth, soil texture, coarse fragments, soil reaction, available water capacity, calcareousness, salinity/alkali *etc.*

*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 severe 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 28 soil map units identified in the Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed are grouped under two land capability classes and six land capability subclasses (Fig. 5.1).

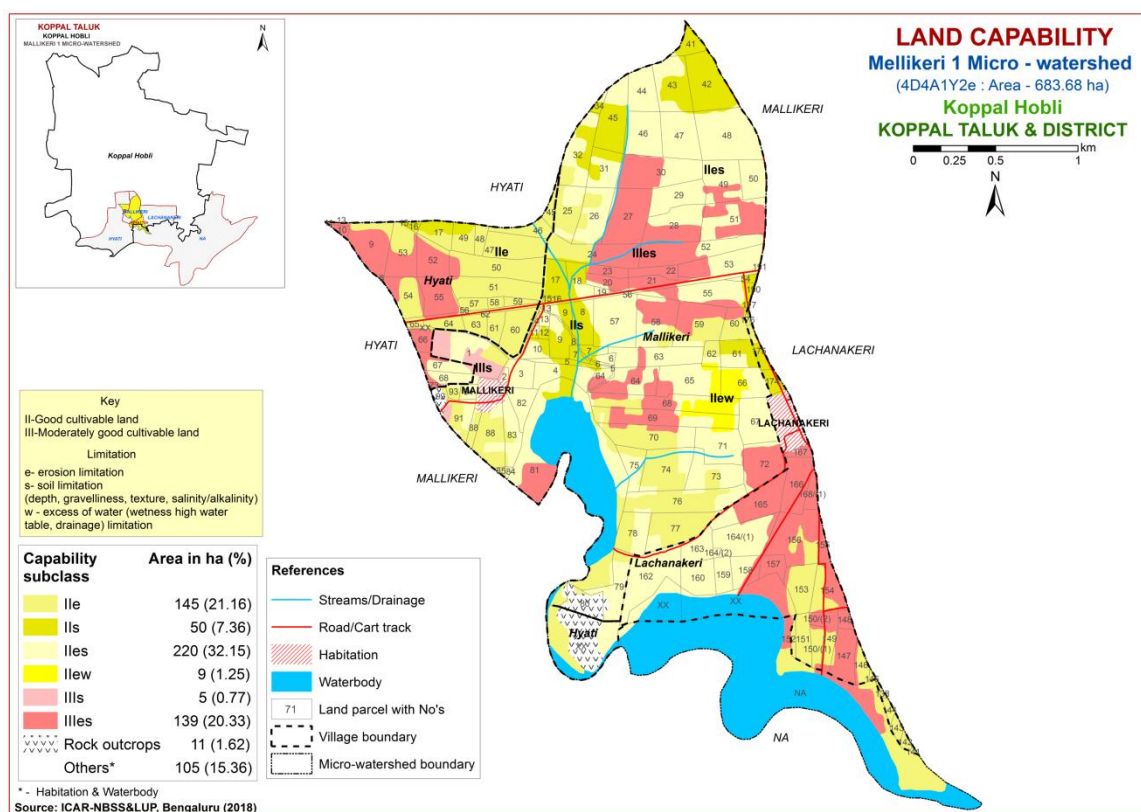


Fig. 5.1 Land Capability map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

Entire area of the microwatershed is suitable for agriculture. Maximum area of 424 ha (62%) are good lands (Class II) that have minor limitations and require moderate conservation practices and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Moderately good lands (Class III) cover an area of 144 ha (21%) and are distributed in the northern, eastern, central and western part of the microwatershed with moderate problems of soil that require special conservation practices. The other miscellaneous areas cover about 1 per cent is rock outcrops and 15 per cent is habitations and water bodies.

## **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 (Fig. 5.2).

An area of 96 ha (14%) is moderately shallow (50-75 cm) and are distributed in the northern, western and eastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately deep soils (75-100 cm) occupy an area of 178 ha (26%) and occur in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. Deep (100-150 cm) to very deep (>150 cm) soils occupy a maximum area of 294 ha (43%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed.

The most problem lands with an area of about 96 ha (14%) having moderately shallow (50-75 cm) rooting depth. They are suitable for growing medium or short duration agricultural crops but well suited for pasture, forestry or other recreational purposes. The most productive lands cover a maximum area about 294 ha (43%) where all climatically adapted long duration crops be grown.

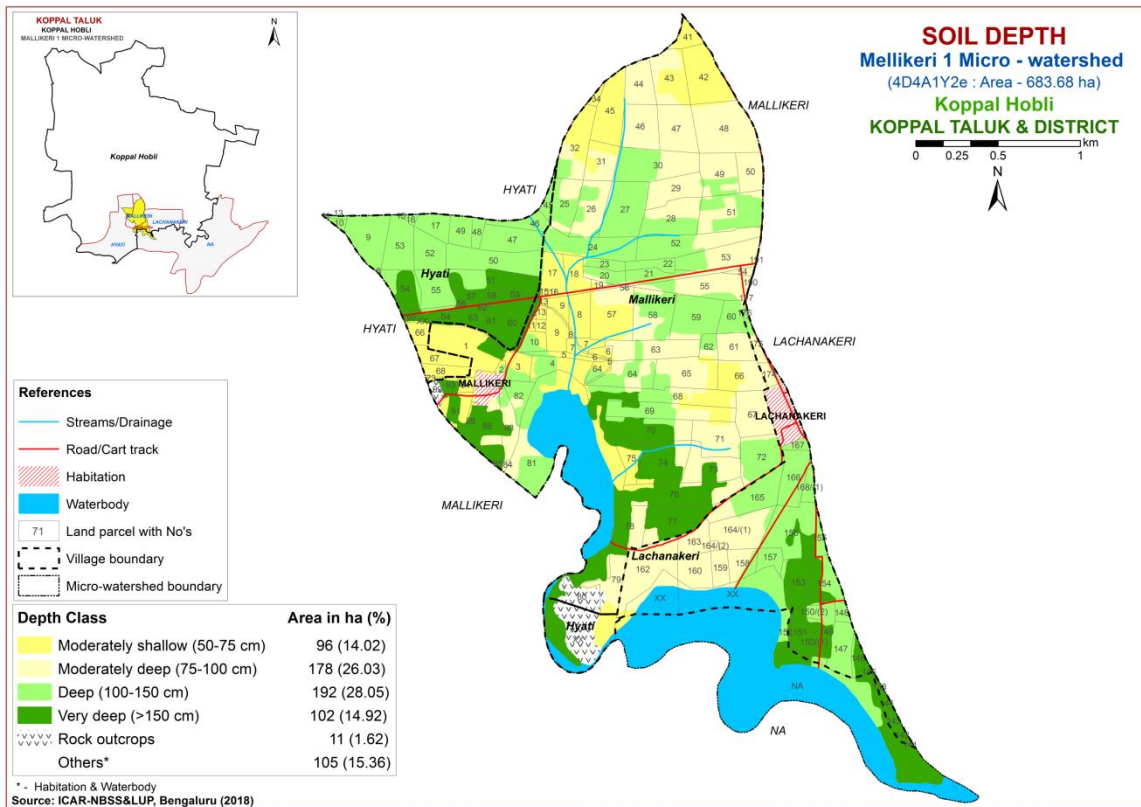


Fig. 5.2 Soil Depth map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

### 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 (fig. 5.3). The area extent and their spatial distribution in the microwatershed is shown in figure 5.3.

An area of 441 ha (65%) has loamy soils at the surface and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of 127 ha (19%) has clayey soils at the surface and are distributed in the northern, western, and eastern part of the microwatershed (Fig. 5.3).

The most productive lands 127 ha (19%) with respect to surface soil texture are the clayey soils that 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 most productive lands 127 ha (19%) are loamy soils which also have high potential for AWC, nutrient availability but have no drainage or other physical problems compared to loamy soils.



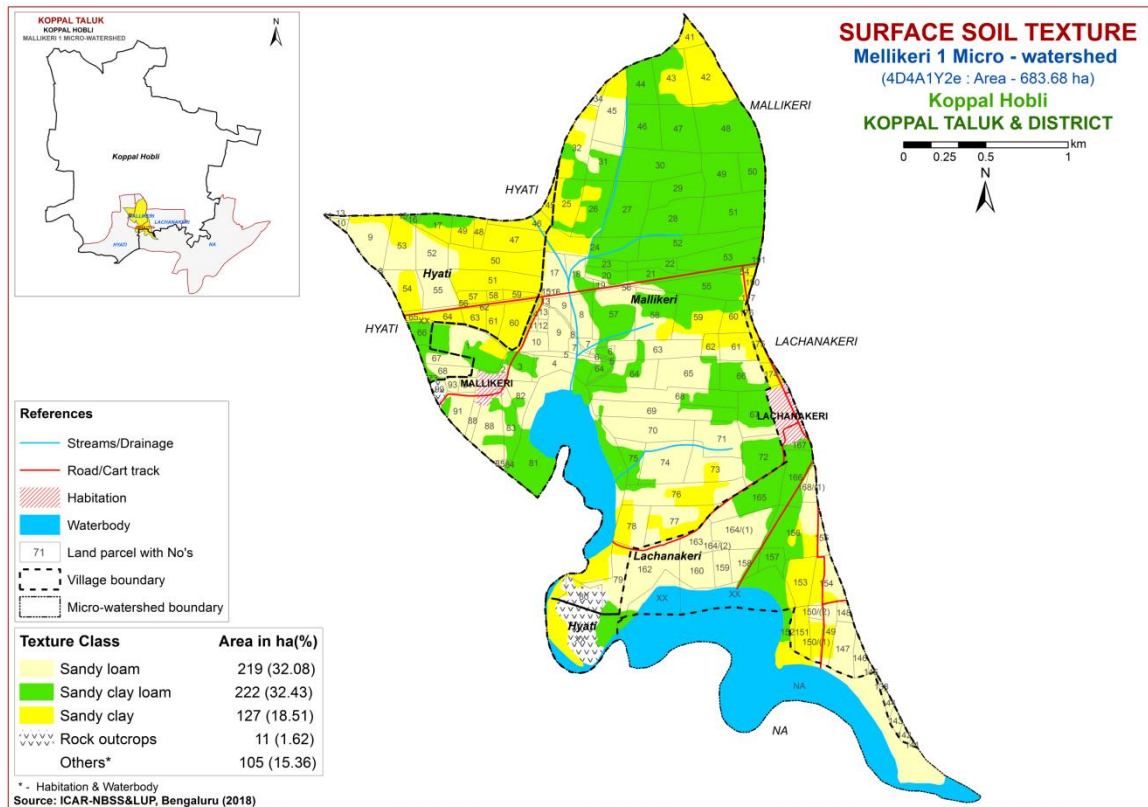


Fig. 5.3 Surface Soil Texture map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

#### 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 spatial distribution in the microwatershed is given in figure 5.4.

The soils that are non-gravelly (<15% gravel) cover a maximum area of 318 ha (46%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of 227 ha (33%) is covered by gravelly (15-35% gravel) soils and are distributed in the northern, southern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. An area of 23 ha (3%) is very gravelly (35-60%) and are distributed in the western part of the microwatershed (Fig. 5.4).

The most productive lands with respect to gravelliness are found to be 46%. They are non-gravelly with less than 15 per cent gravel and have potential for growing both annual and perennial crops. The problem soils that are gravelly (15-35%) to very gravelly (35-60%) cover 250 ha (37%) where only short or medium duration crops can be grown.

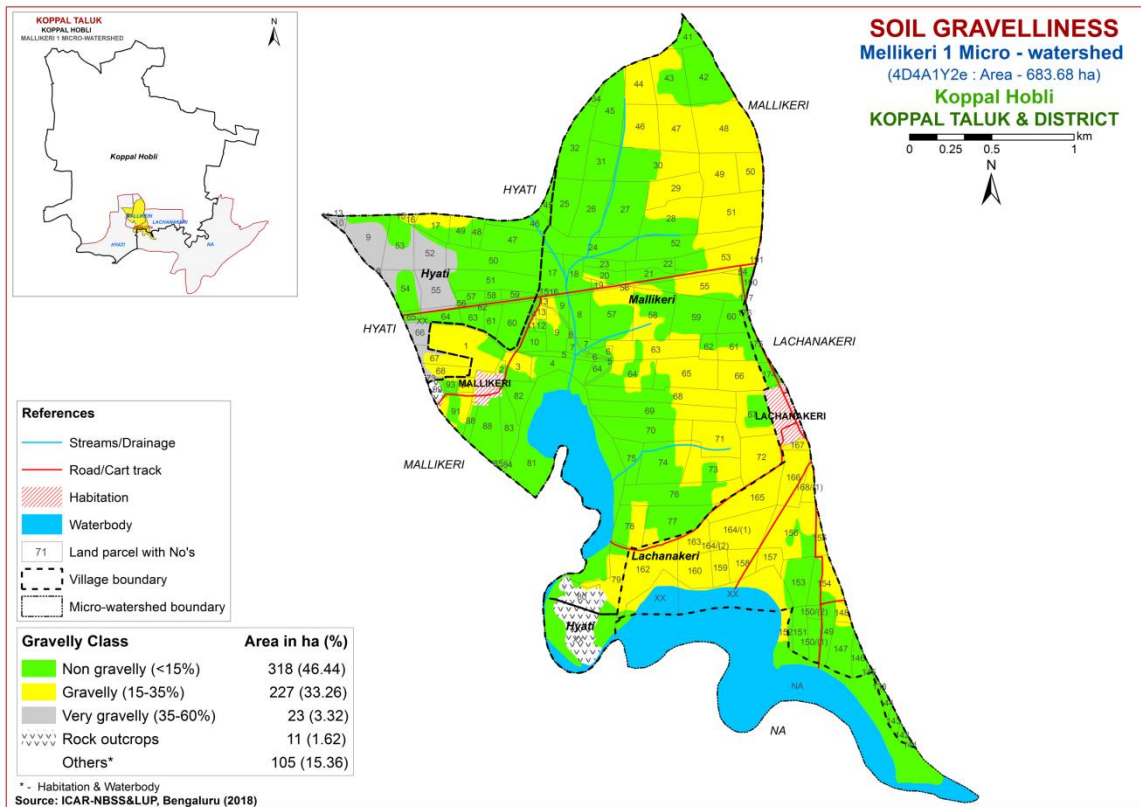


Fig. 5.4 Soil Gravelliness map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## 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 (Fig. 5.5), showing the area extent and their spatial distribution in the microwatershed.

An area of about 185 ha (27%) are very low (<50 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the northern, western, southern and central part of the microwatershed. An area of 219 ha (32%) is low (51-100 mm/m) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Soils with medium available water capacity (101-150 mm/m) occupy an area of 62 ha (9%) and are distributed in the eastern and northwestern part of the microwatershed. An area of about 102 ha (15%) is high (151-200 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the western, southwestern and southeastern part of the microwatershed.

An area of about 185 ha (27%) 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. The potential soils with respect to AWC cover about 102 ha (15%) that have high AWC, where all climatically adapted long duration crops can be grown.

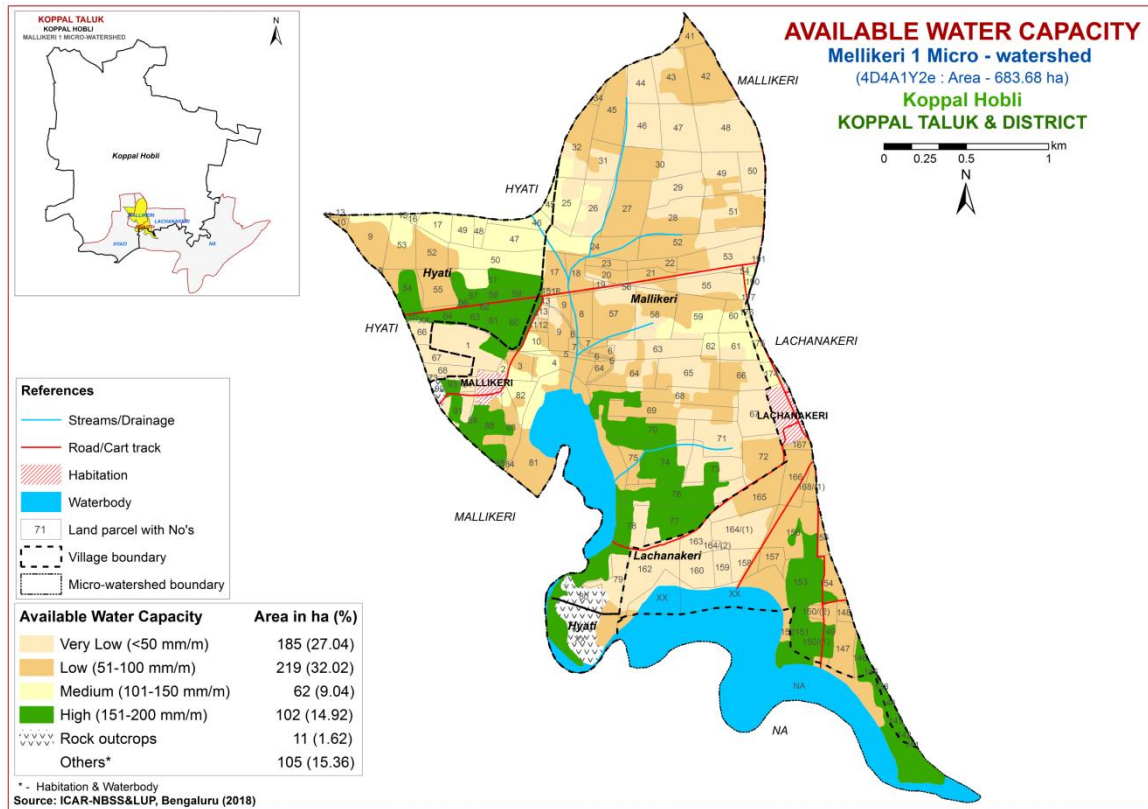


Fig. 5.5 Soil Available Water Capacity map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## 5.6 Soil Slope

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

An area of 20 ha (3%) is nearly level (0-1%) and are distributed in the central and eastern part of the microwatershed. Major area of about 548 ha (80%) falls under very gently sloping (1-3% slope) lands and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed. In all these lands, all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown without much soil and water conservation and other land development measures.

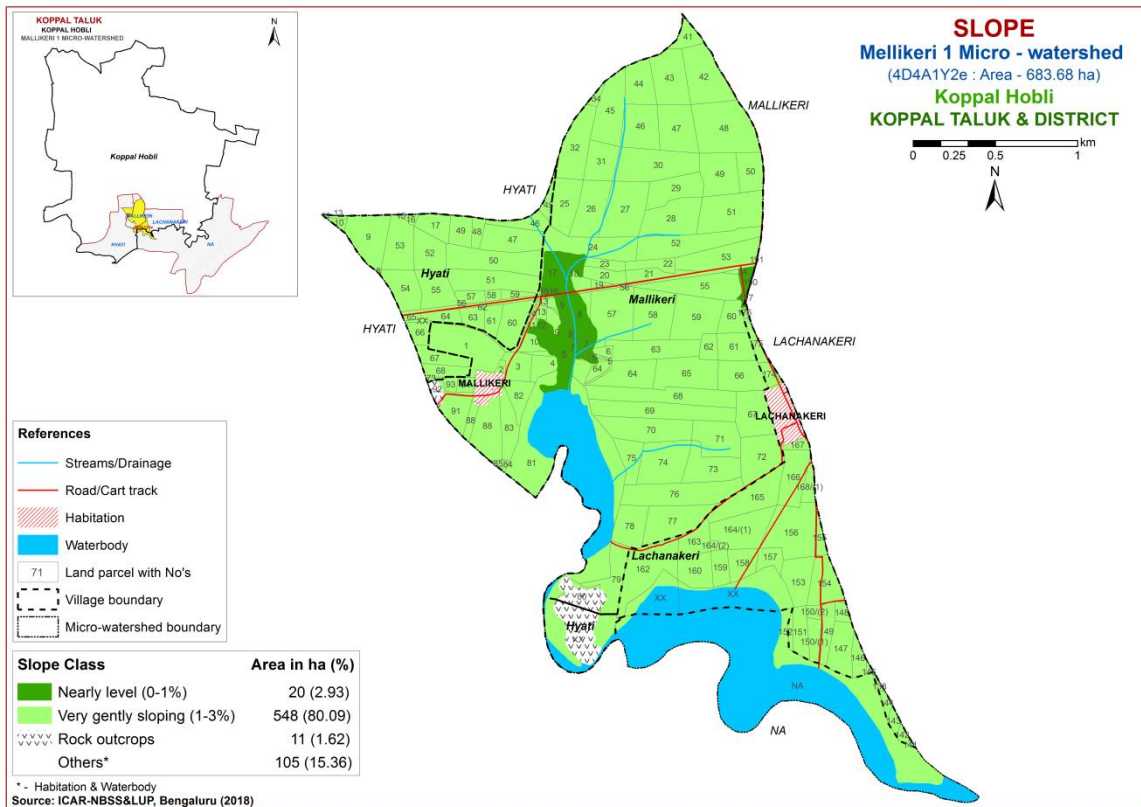


Fig. 5.6 Soil Slope map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## 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 slightly eroded (e1 Class) occupy an area of about 58 ha (9%) and are distributed in the northern, western and eastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately eroded (e2 Class) soils cover an area of 509 ha (74%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed.

An area of about 509 ha (74%) in the microwatershed is problematic because of moderate erosion. These areas need soil and water conservation and other land development measures for restoring the soil health.

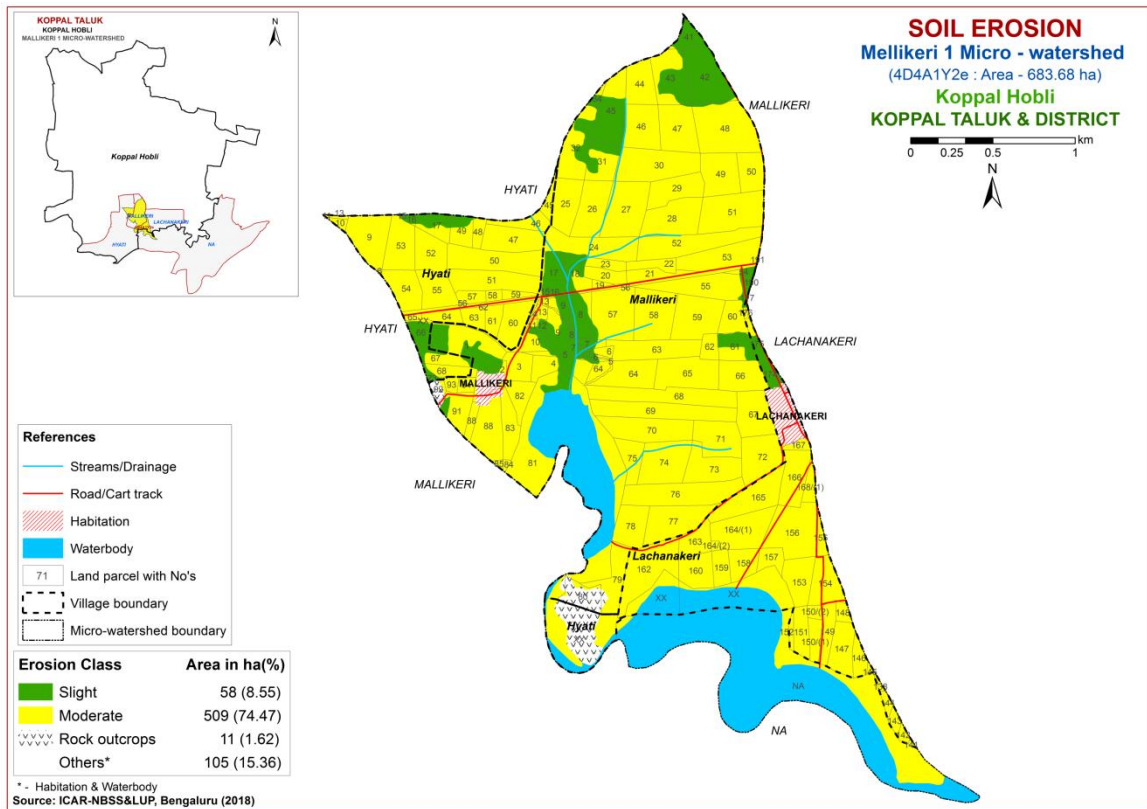


Fig. 5.7 Soil Erosion map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed



## **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 320 m grid interval) all over the microwatershed through land resource inventory in the year 2018 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 by using the 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 Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed for soil reaction (pH) showed that an area of 175 ha (26%) is slightly acid (pH 6.0-6.5) and is distributed in the northern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 262 ha (38%) is neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8) occur in an area of 130 ha (19%) and is distributed in the western part of the microwatershed. Thus, entire soils in the microwatershed are acid covering 175 ha, neutral 262 ha and alkaline covering 130 ha.

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

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

### **6.3 Organic Carbon**

The soil organic carbon content (an index of available Nitrogen) in the soils of the microwatershed is medium (0.5-0.75%) covering an area of 264 ha (39%) and is distributed in the northern, central, northwestern and eastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 304 ha (44%) is high and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.3).

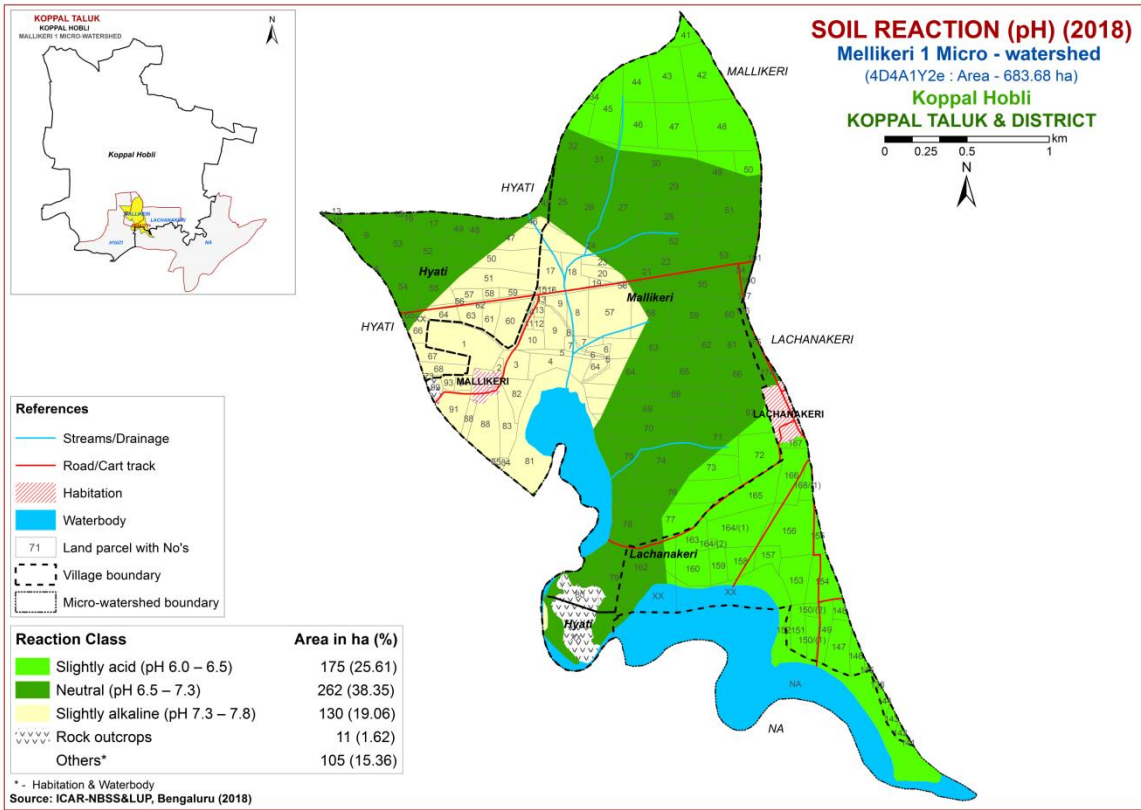


Fig. 6.1 Soil Reaction (pH) map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

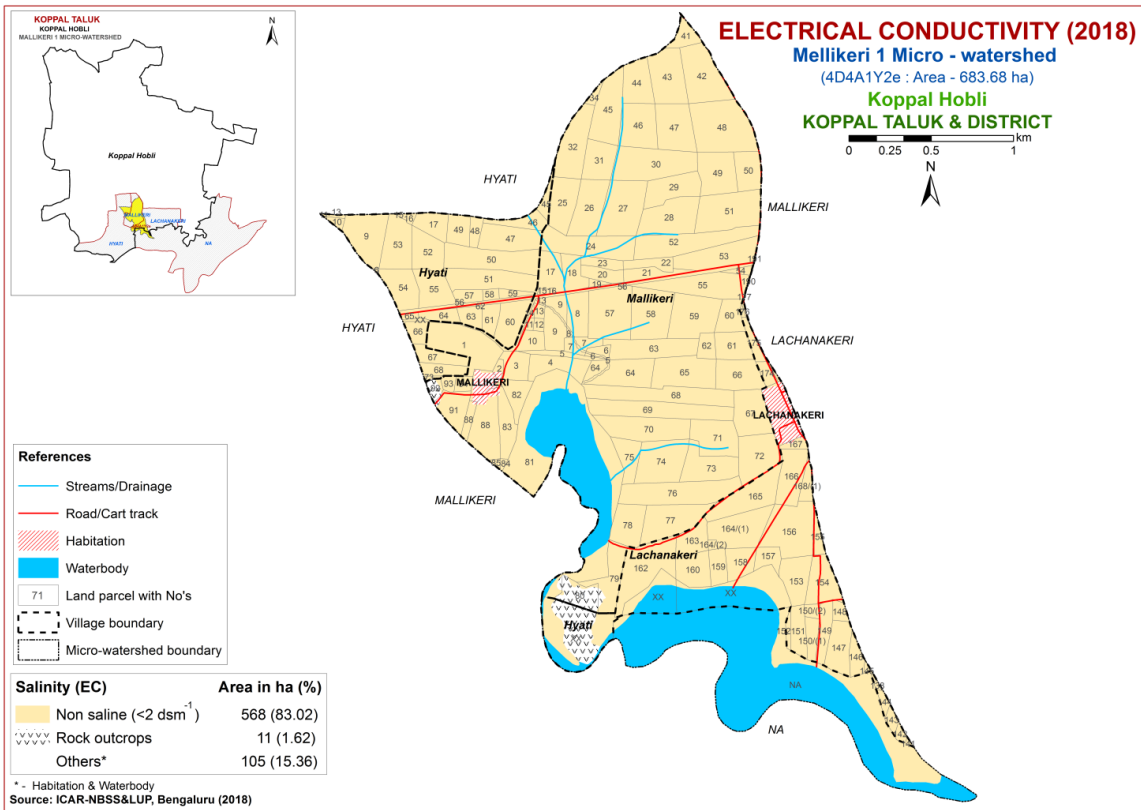


Fig. 6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC) map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed



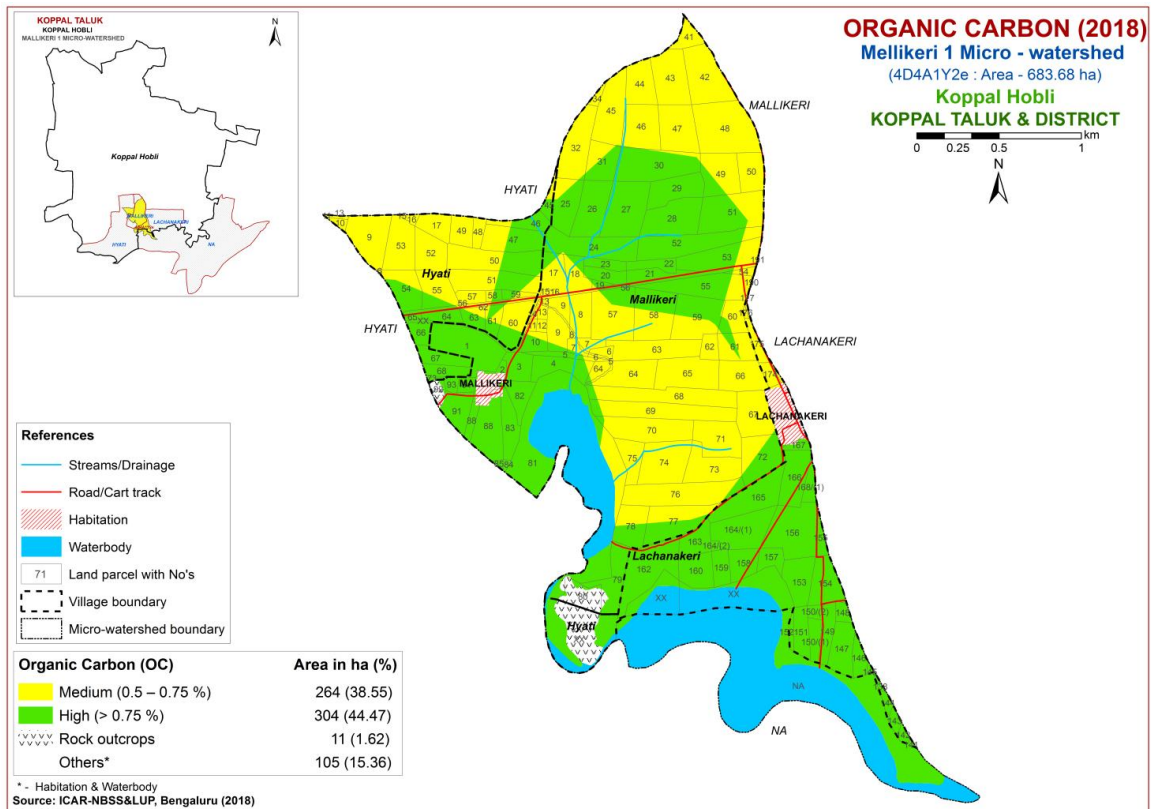


Fig. 6.3 Soil Organic Carbon map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

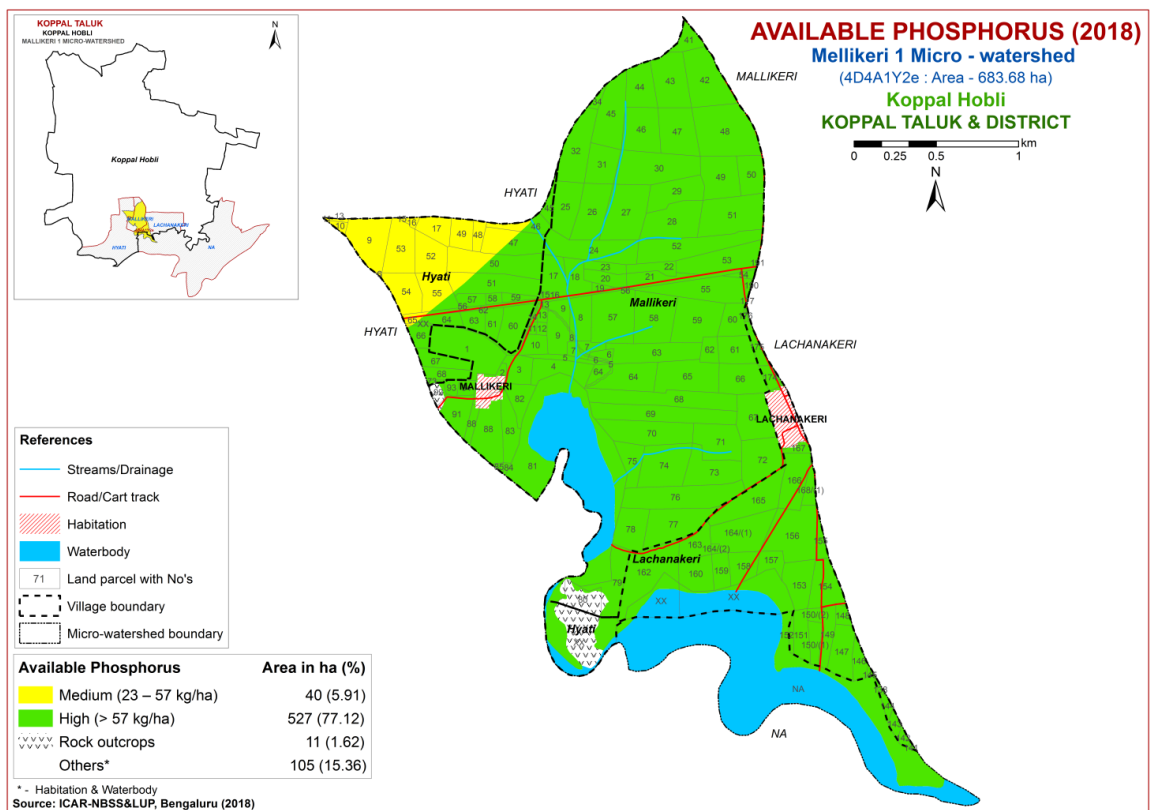


Fig. 6.4 Soil Available Phosphorus map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

#### **6.4 Available Phosphorus**

An area of about 40 ha (6%) is medium (23-57 kg/ha) in available phosphorus and is distributed in the northwestern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 527 ha (77%) is high (>57kg/ha) and is distributed in all parts of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.4).

#### **6.5 Available Potassium**

Maximum area of about 404 ha (59%) is medium (145-337 kg/ha) and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of 164 ha (24%) is high (>337 kg/ha) and is distributed in the western and central part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.5).

#### **6.6 Available Sulphur**

Soils that are low (>10 ppm) in available sulphur content occupy a maximum area of 559 ha (82%) and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of 9 ha (1%) is medium (10-20 ppm) and is distributed in the western part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.6).

#### **6.7 Available Boron**

Available boron content is low (<0.5 ppm) in a maximum area of 341 ha (50%) and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of about 226 ha (33%) is medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in available boron and is distributed in the southeastern, western and northwestern part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.7).

#### **6.8 Available Iron**

Available iron content is deficient (<4.5 ppm) in 273 ha (40%) and is distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 294 ha (43%) is sufficient (>4.5 ppm) and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.8).

#### **6.9 Available Manganese**

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

#### **6.10 Available Copper**

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

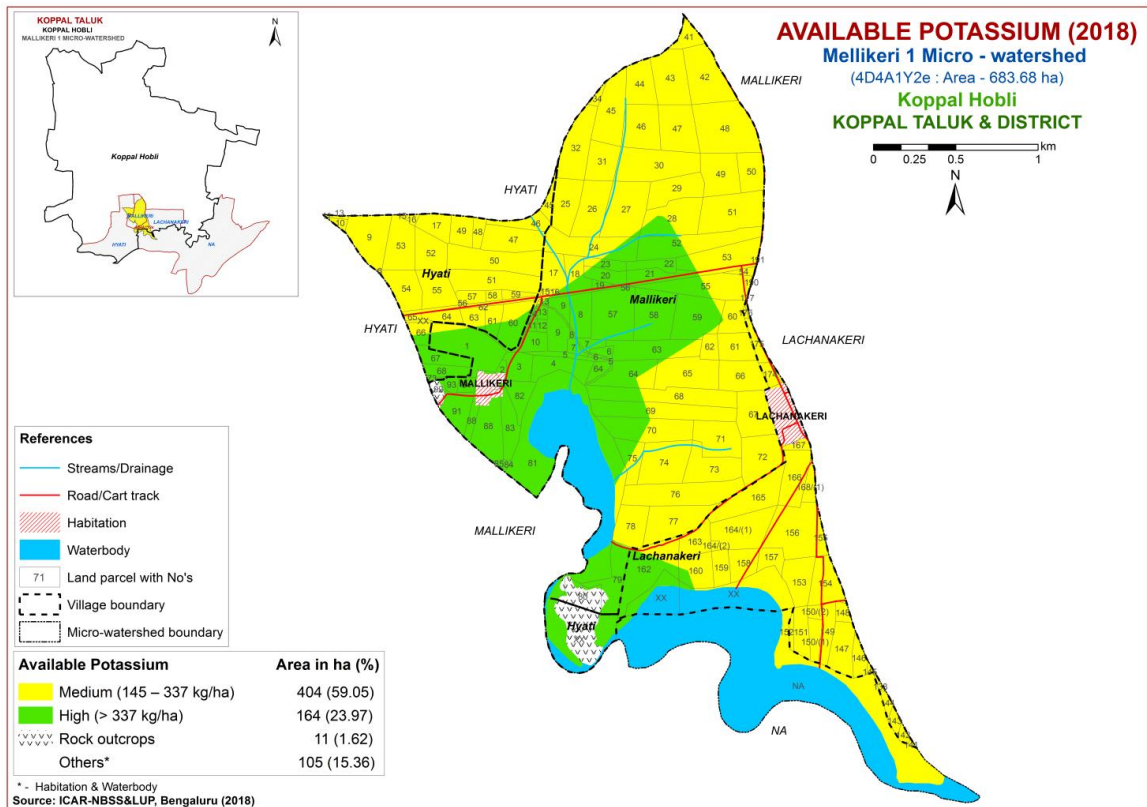


Fig. 6.5 Soil Available Potassium map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

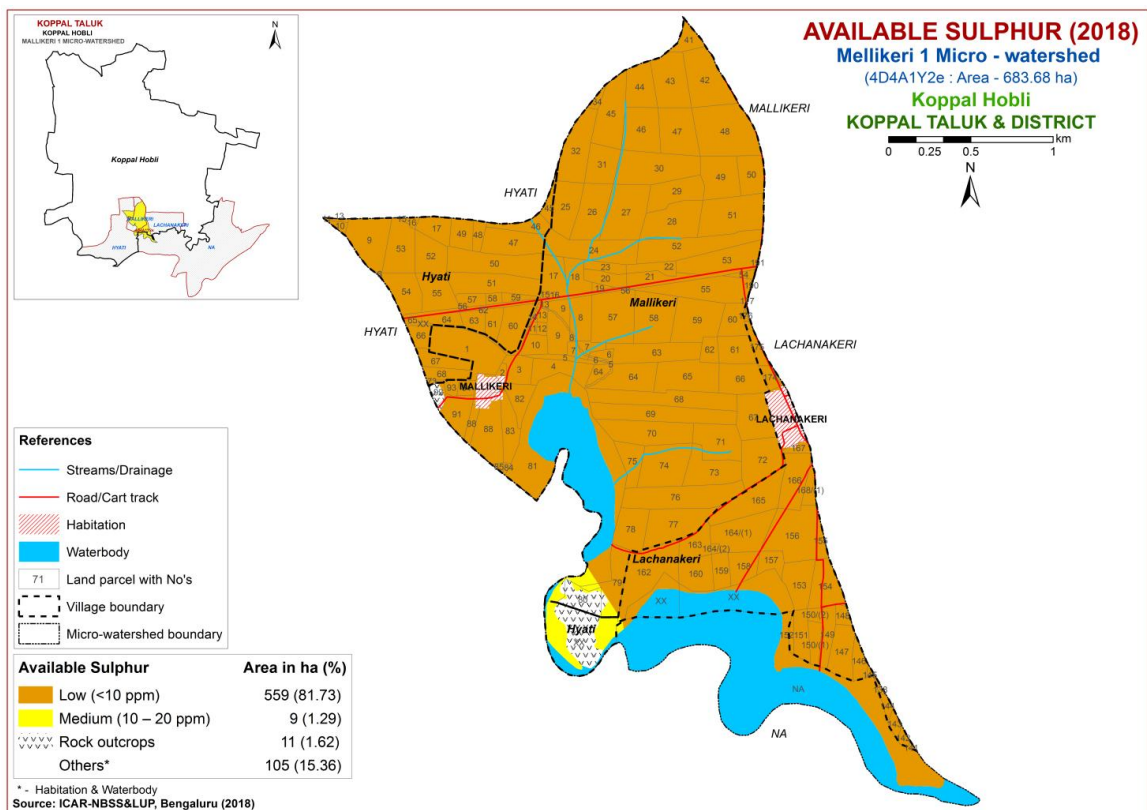


Fig. 6.6 Soil Available Sulphur map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

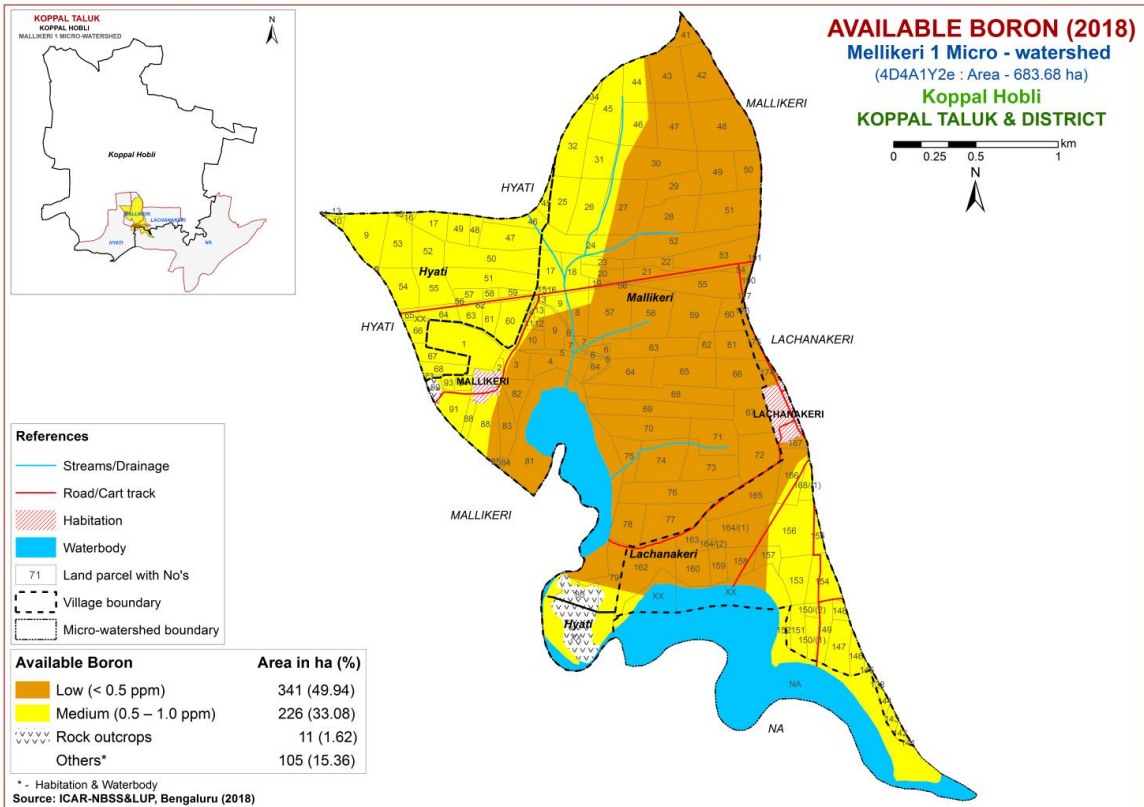


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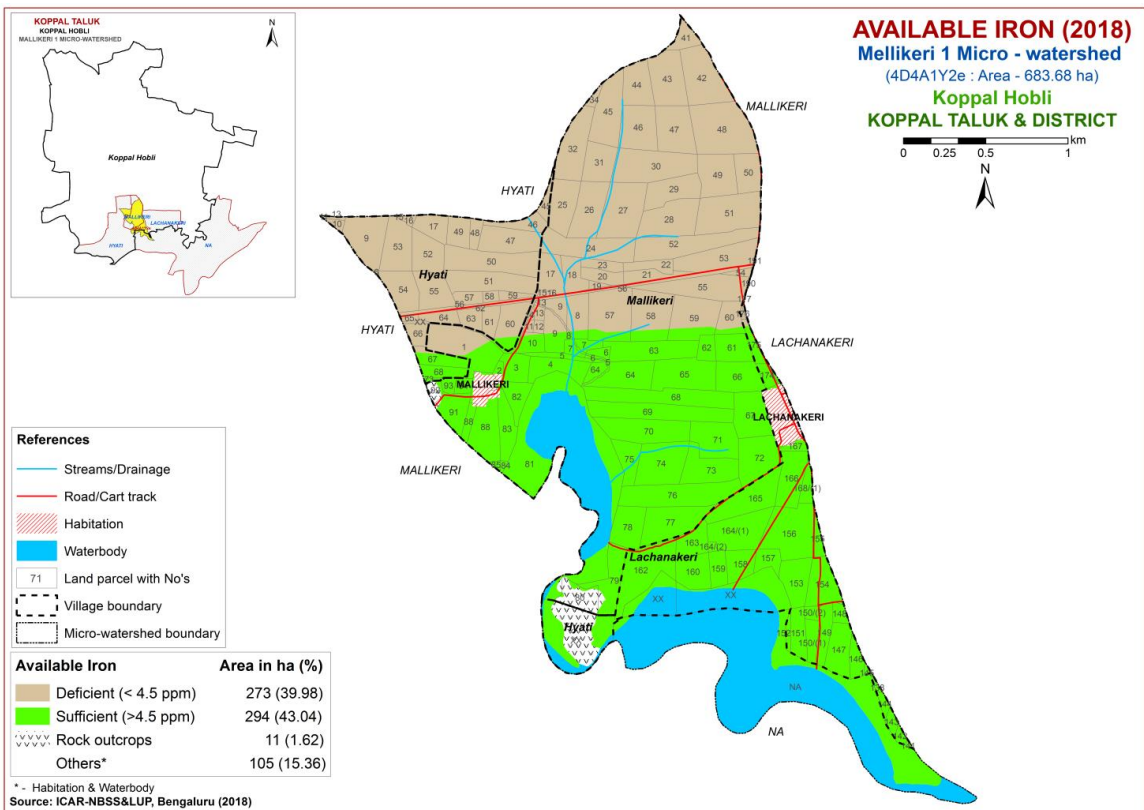


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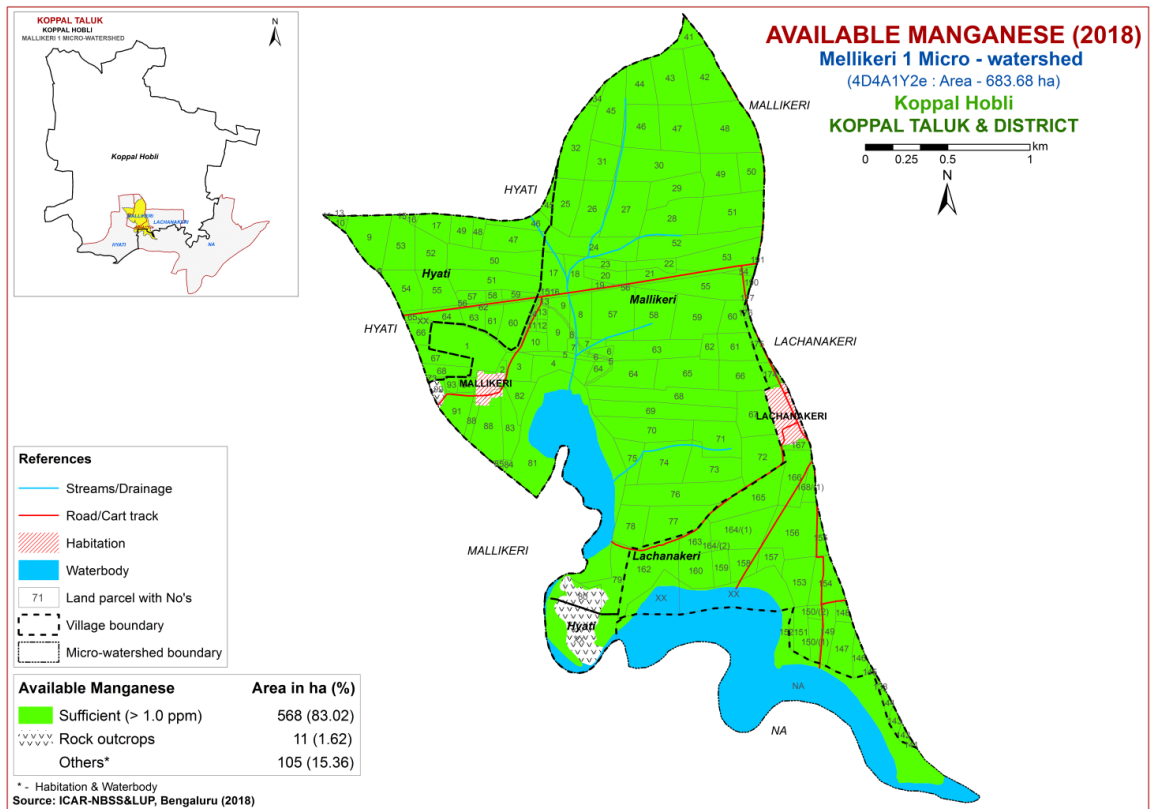


Fig. 6.9 Soil Available Manganese map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

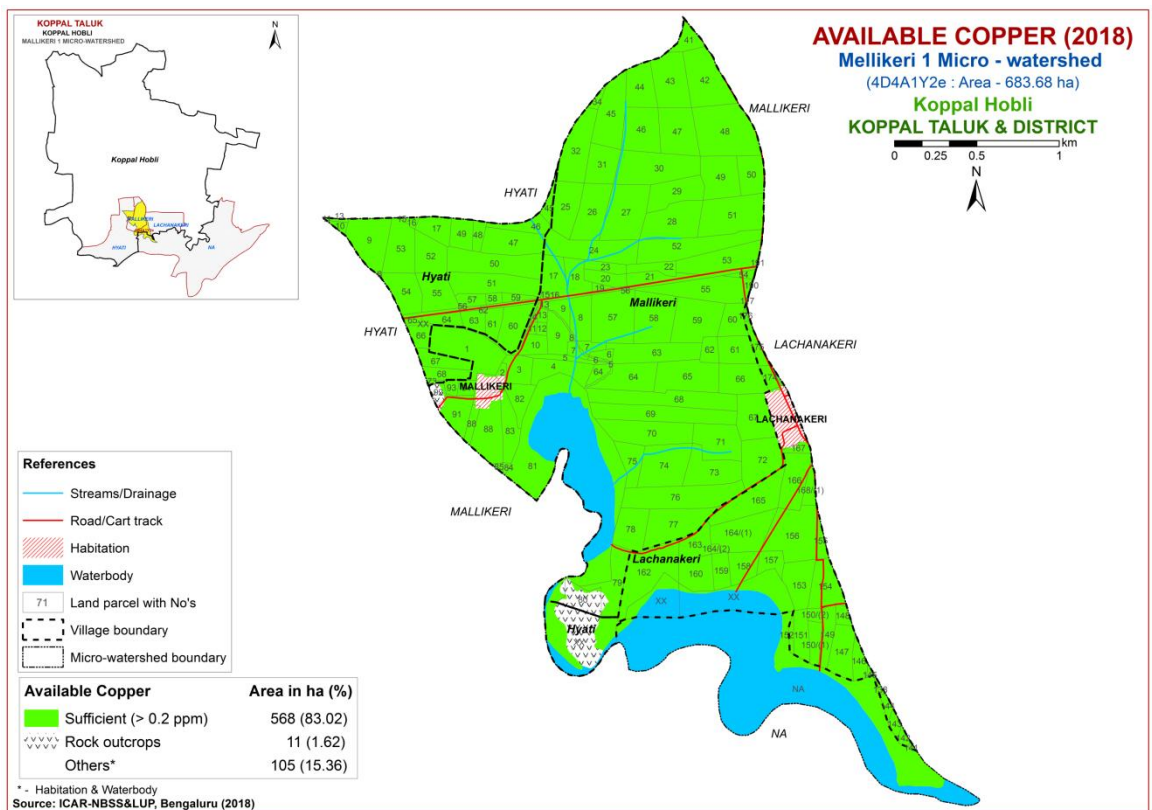


Fig. 6.10 Soil Available Copper map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## 6.11 Available Zinc

Available zinc content is deficient (<0.6 ppm) in an area of 224 ha (33%) and is distributed in the northern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 344 ha (50%) is sufficient (>0.6 ppm) and is distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig. 6.11).

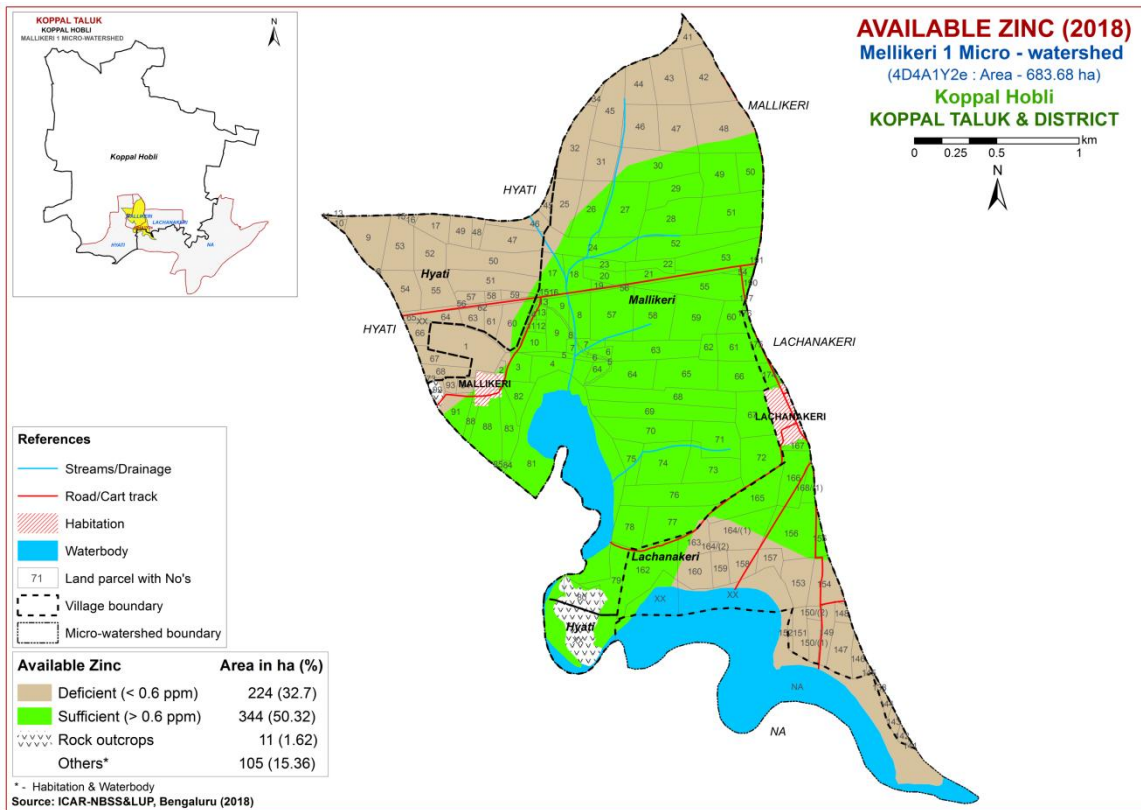


Fig. 6.11 Soil Available Zinc map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

## LAND SUITABILITY FOR MAJOR CROPS

The soil and land resource units (soil phases) of Mellikeri-1 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 (Table 7.2 to 7.33) were matched with the soil and land characteristics (Table 7.1) to arrive at the crop suitability. The criteria tables are given at the end of the Chapter. 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, S3, N1 and N2 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, 'z' for calcareousness 's' for sodium and 'w' for drainage. 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 31 major agricultural and horticultural 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 food crop grown in Karnataka in an area of 10.47 lakh ha in Bijapur, Gulbarga, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad, Bellary, Chitradurga, Mysore and Chamarajnagar 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.

An area of 170 ha (25%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing sorghum and are distributed in the western, eastern, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 98 ha (14%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the northern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have

minor limitations of gravelliness, texture, drainage and rooting condition. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sorghum and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness.

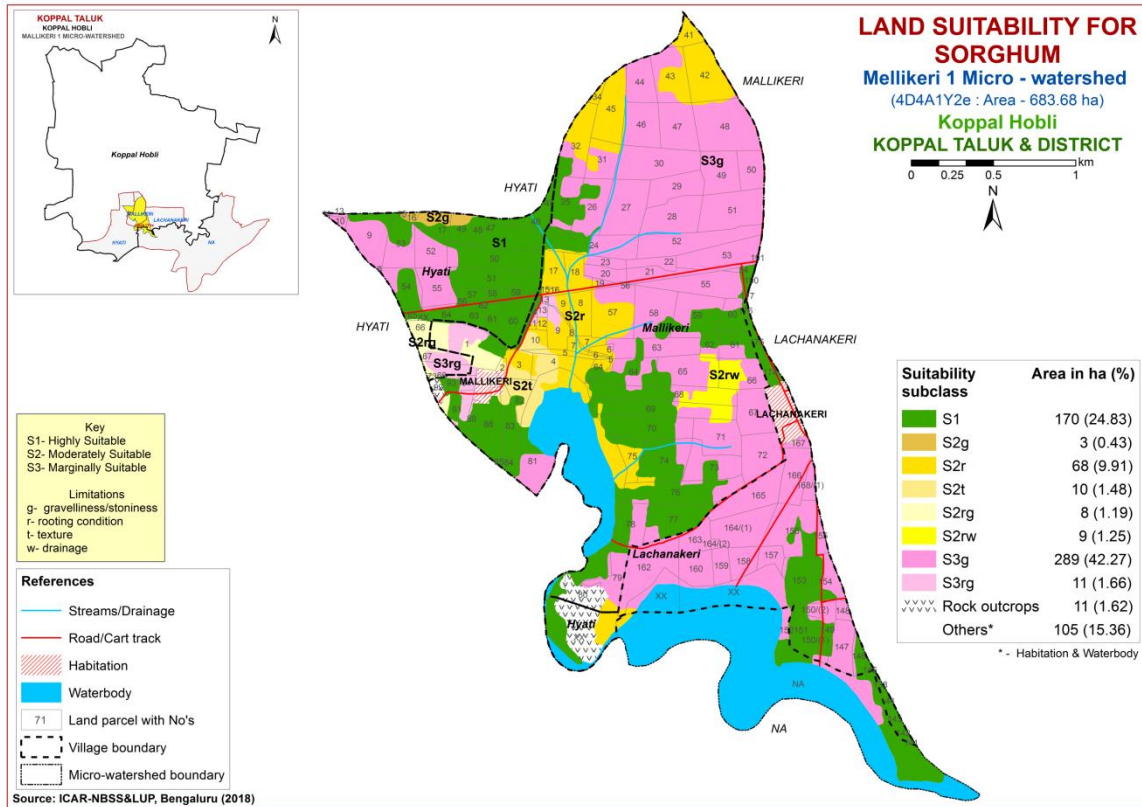


Fig. 7.1 Land Suitability map of Sorghum

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

Maize is 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.

An area of 62 ha (9%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing maize and are distributed in the central, western and northwestern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 206 ha (30%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of drainage, rooting condition, gravelliness and texture. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing maize and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition.



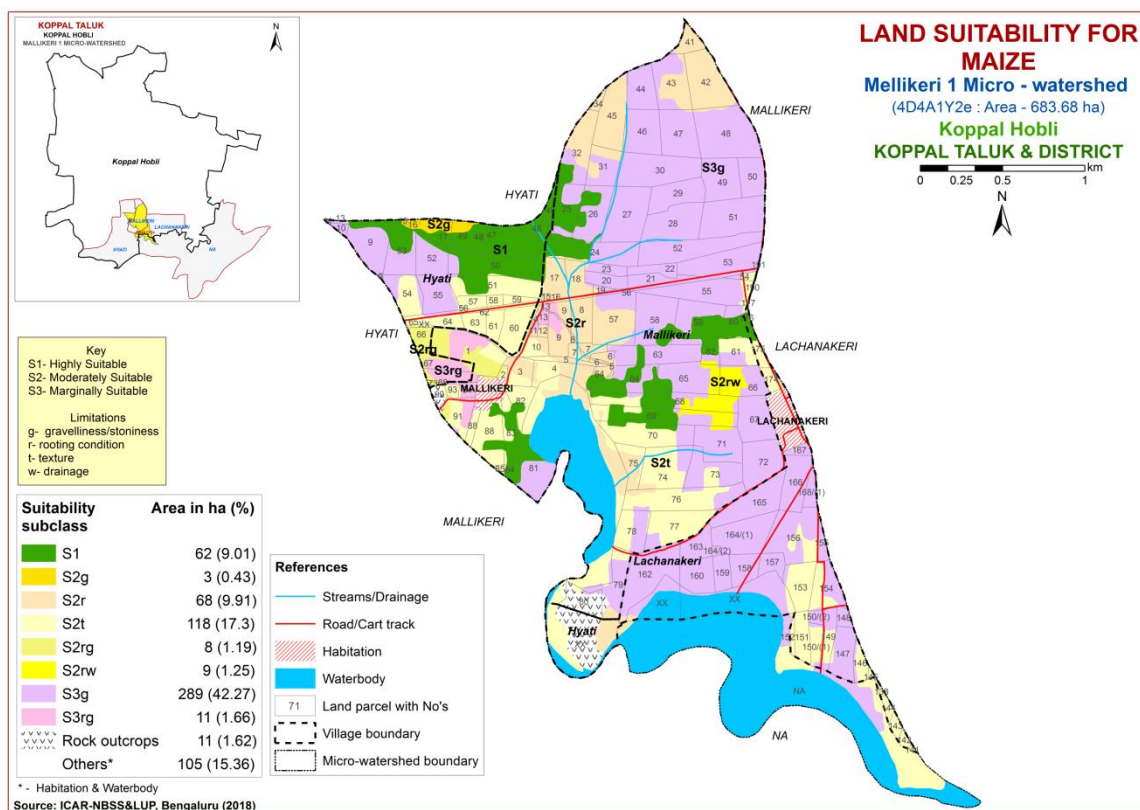


Fig. 7.2 Land Suitability map of Maize

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

Bajra is one of the major food crop grown in an area of 2.34 lakh ha in the northern districts of the Karnataka State. The crop requirements for growing bajra (Table 7.4) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing bajra was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.3.

An area of 180 ha (26%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing bajra and are distributed in the western, central, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 265 ha (39%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting condition, drainage and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of 124 ha (18%) and are distributed in the eastern, northern and western part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

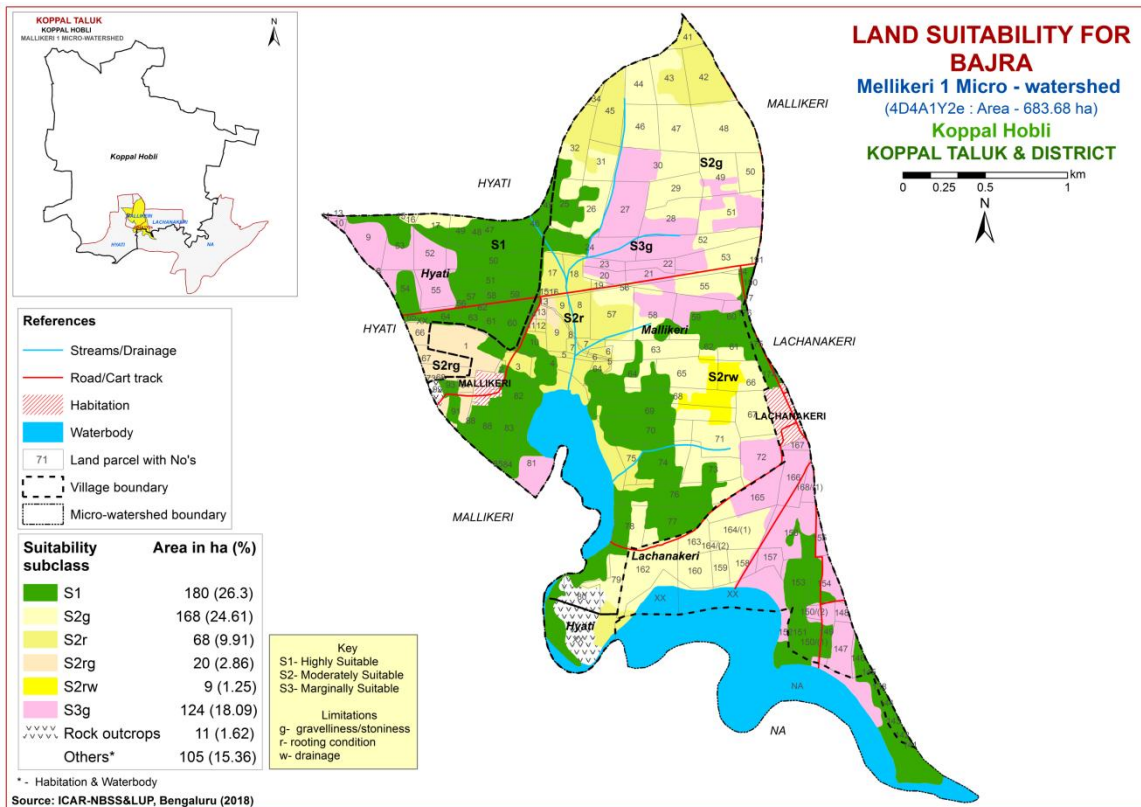


Fig. 7.3 Land Suitability map of Bajra

#### 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.

An area of 102ha (15%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing groundnut and are distributed in the western and northeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 455 ha (66%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness, texture, drainage and rooting condition. An area of 11 ha (2%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the western part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition.

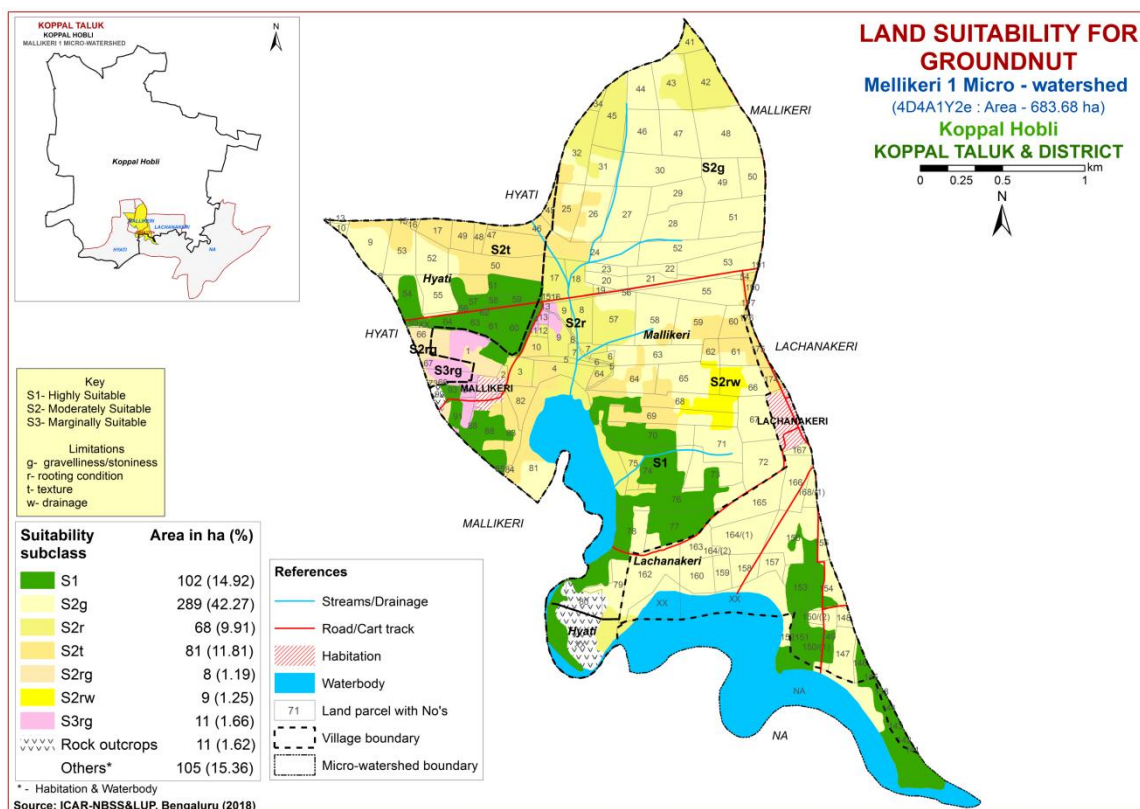


Fig. 7.4 Land Suitability map of Groundnut

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

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.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing sunflower and are distributed in the eastern, northeastern and western part of the microwatershed. An area of 16 ha (2%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Maximum area of 386 ha (56%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sunflower and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.

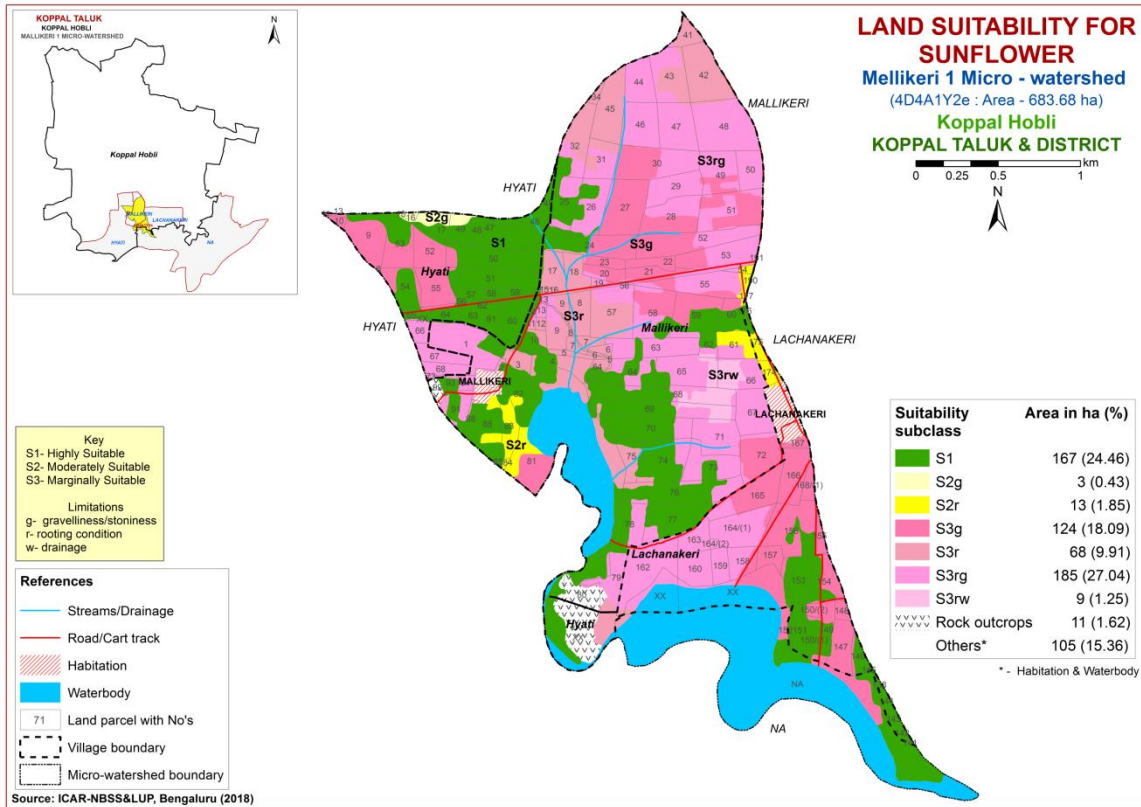


Fig. 7.5 Land Suitability map of Sunflower

## 7.6 Land Suitability 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 redgram (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.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing red gram and are distributed in the central, northeastern and western part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of 15 ha (2%) and are distributed in the eastern and western part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of 386 ha (56%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, drainage and rooting condition.

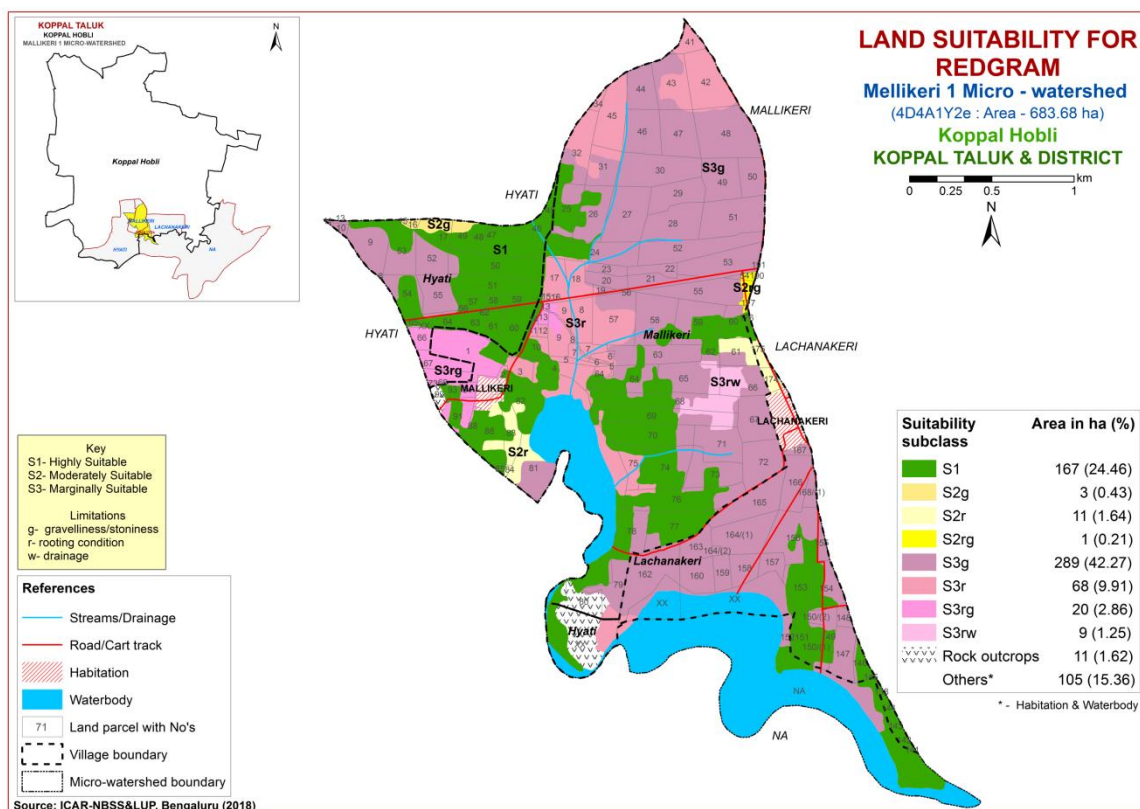


Fig. 7.6 Land Suitability map of Redgram

### 7.7 Land Suitability for Bengalgram (*Cicer arietinum*)

Bengalgram is one of the major pulse crop grown in an area of 9.39 lakh ha in northern Karnataka in Bijapur, Gulbarga, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad and Bellary districts. The crop requirements for growing Bengalgram (Table 7.8) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing Bengalgram was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.7.

There are no highly suitable (Class S1) lands for growing bengalgram in the microwatershed. Moderately suitable lands (Class S2) occupy an area of 278 ha (41%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of gravelliness, texture, drainage and rooting condition. An area of 289 ha (42%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

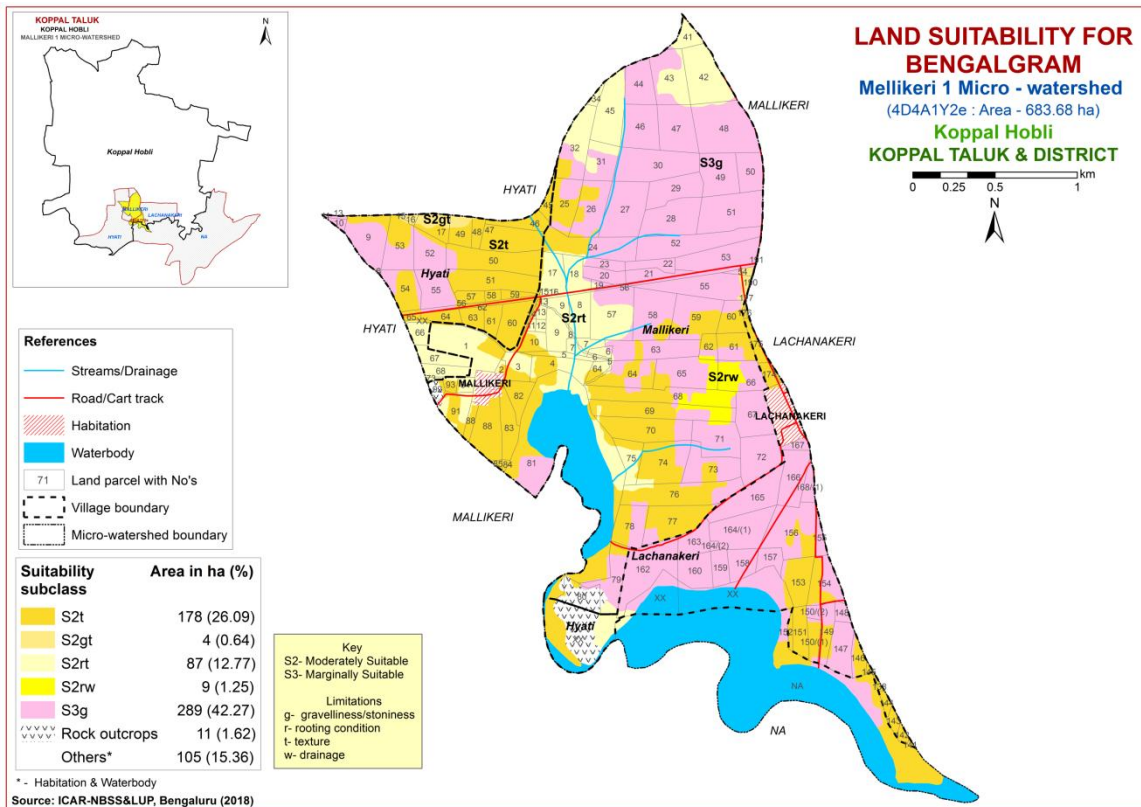


Fig. 7.7 Land Suitability map of Bengalgram

## 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, Gulbarga, Bijapur, Bidar, Bellary, Chitradurga and Chamarajnagar districts. 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.

An area of 125 ha (18%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing cotton and are distributed in the northeastern and western part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of 144 ha (21%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness, texture and drainage. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing cotton and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition.

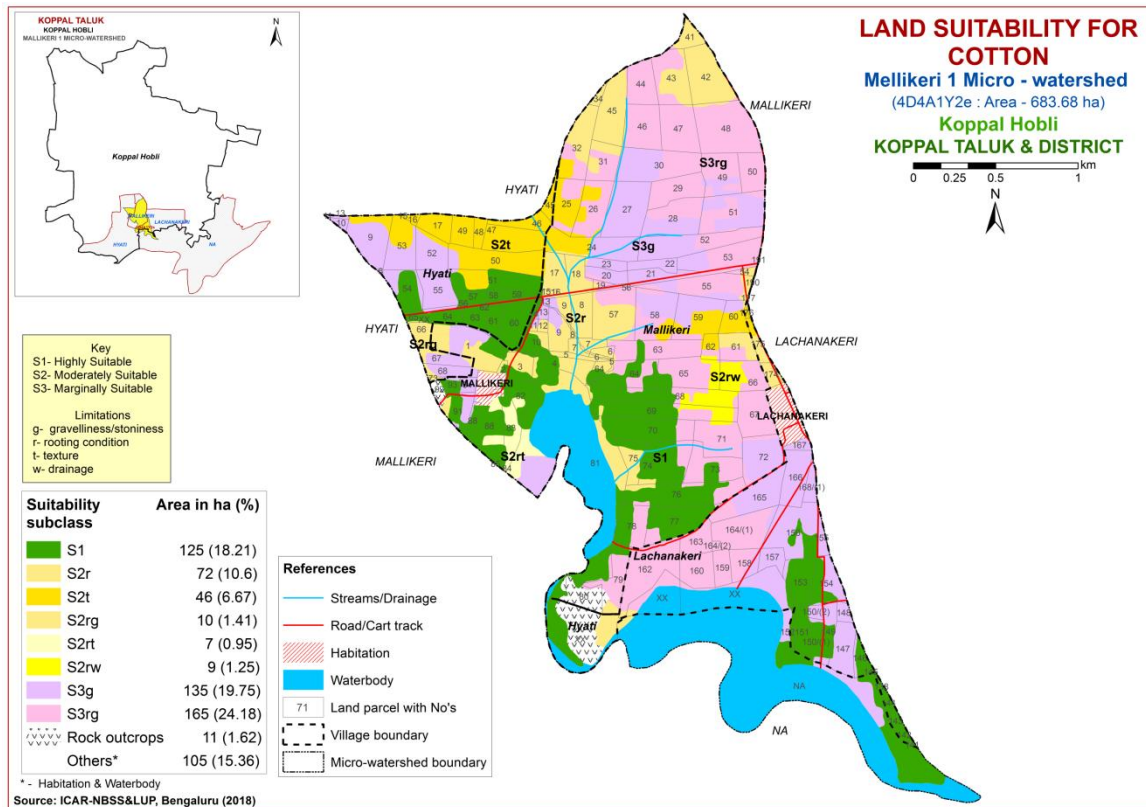


Fig. 7.8 Land Suitability map of Cotton

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

Chilli is one of the most important commercial spice crop grown in an area of 0.89 lakh ha in all the districts of Karnataka State. The crop requirements for growing chilli (Table 7.10) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing chilli was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.9.

An area of 180 ha (26%) is highly (Class S1) for growing chilli and are distributed in the western, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occur in an area of 88 ha (13%) and are distributed in the northern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

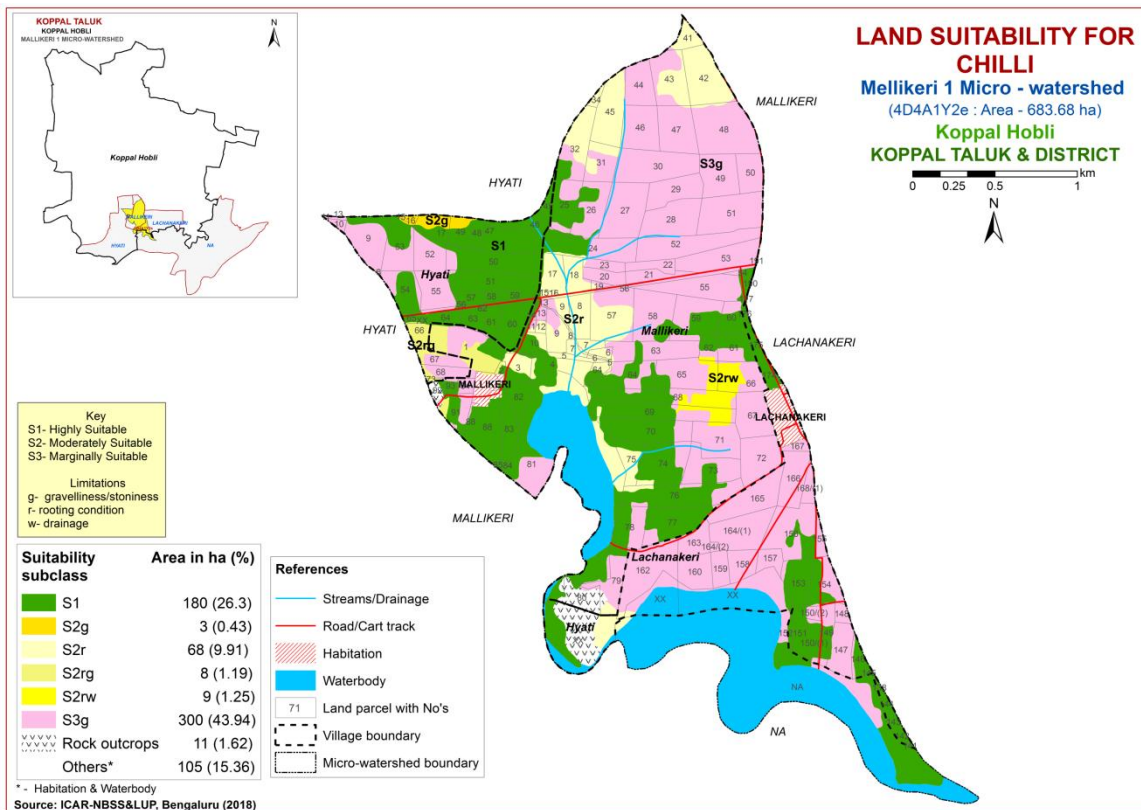


Fig. 7.9 Land Suitability map of Chilli

### 7.10 Land Suitability for Tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum*)

Tomato is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in an area of 0.65 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.11) for growing tomato were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.11) and a land suitability map for growing tomato was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.10.

An area of 180 ha (26%) is highly (Class S1) suitable for growing tomato and are distributed in the eastern, southeastern and western part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occur in an area of 88 ha (13%) and are distributed in the northern, western and eastern part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occupy a maximum area of 300 ha (44%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of gravelliness.



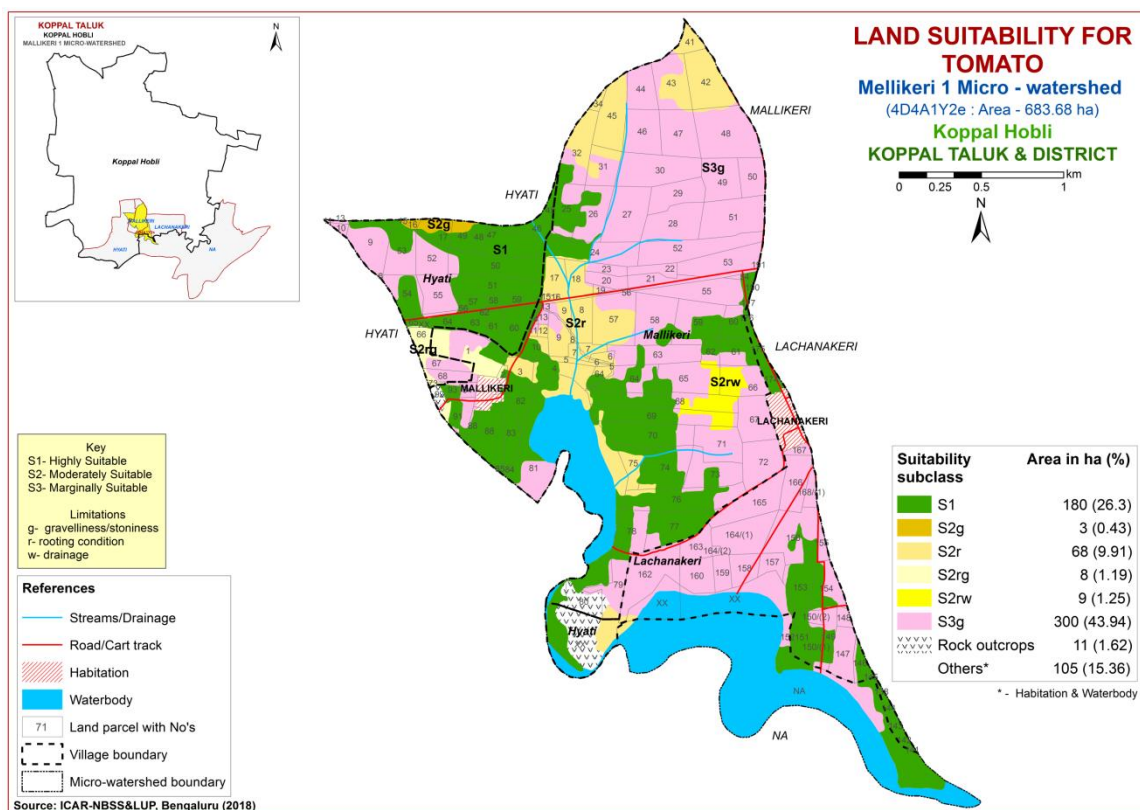


Fig. 7.10 Land Suitability map of Tomato

### 7.11 Land Suitability for Brinjal (*Solanum melongena*)

Brinjal is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in all the districts. The crop requirements for growing brinjal (Table 7.12) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing brinjal was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.11.

An area of 58 ha (9%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing brinjal and are distributed in the eastern, northwestern and western part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 325 ha (47%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of texture, rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occur in an area of 185 ha (27%) and are distributed in the western, northern and central part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of gravelliness.

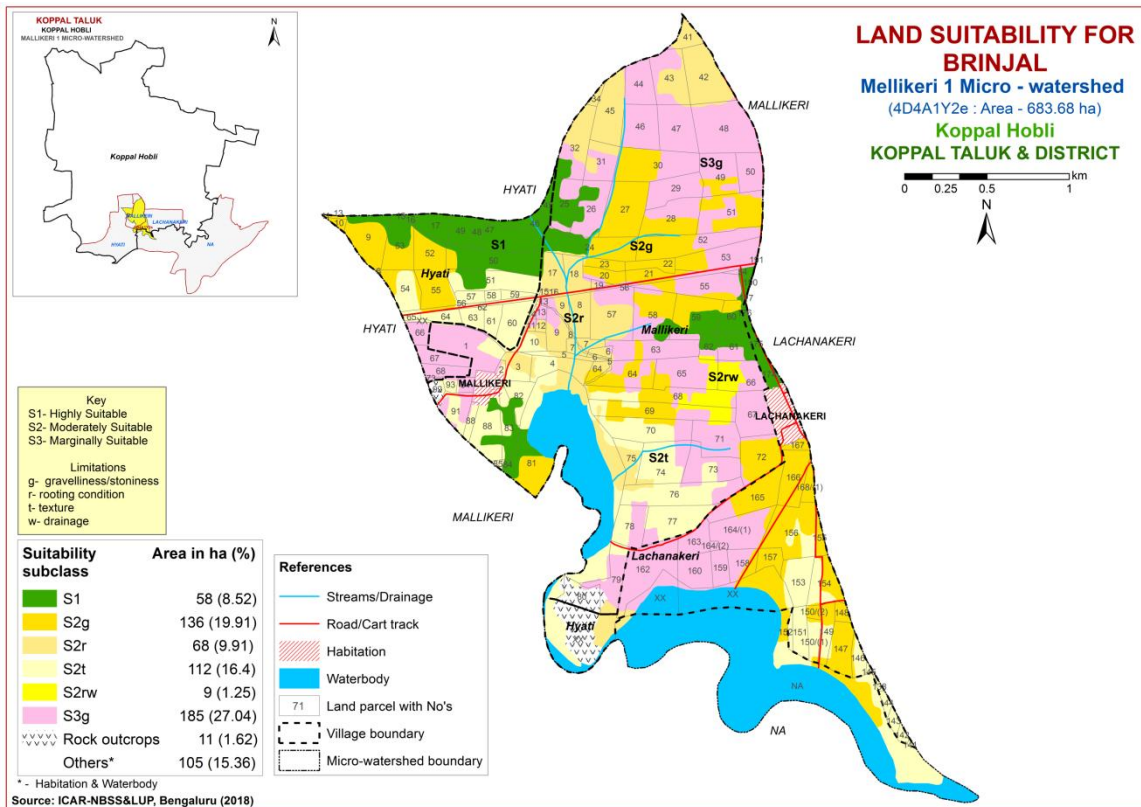


Fig. 7.11 Land Suitability map of Brinjal

## 7.12 Land Suitability for Onion (*Allium cepa*)

Onion is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in Raichur, Dharwad, Belgaum, Gulbarga, Bijapur, Bidar, Bellary, Chitradurga and Tumakuru districts. The crop requirements for growing onion (Table 7.13) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing Onion was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.12.

An area 46 ha (7%) is highly (Class S1) for growing onion and are distributed in the eastern and northwestern part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occur in a maximum area of 338 ha (49%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of gravelliness, rooting condition, texture and drainage. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy an area of 185 ha (27%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of gravelliness.

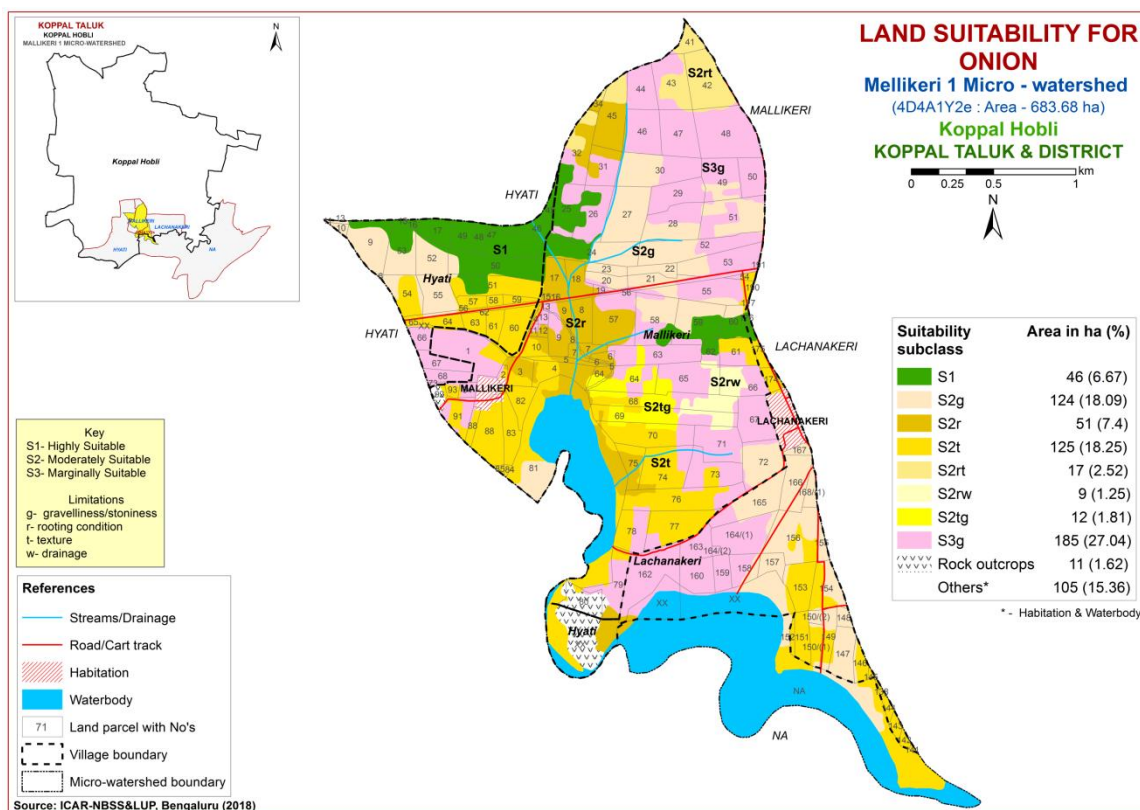


Fig. 7.12 Land Suitability map of Onion

### 7.13 Land Suitability for Bhendi (*Abelmoschus esculentus*)

Bhendi is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in all the districts. The crop requirements for growing bhendi (Table 7.14) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing bhendi was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.13.

An area of 46 ha (7%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing bhendi and are distributed in the eastern and northwestern in the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 338 ha (49%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of texture, gravelliness, rooting condition and drainage. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occur in an area of 185 ha (27%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of gravelliness.

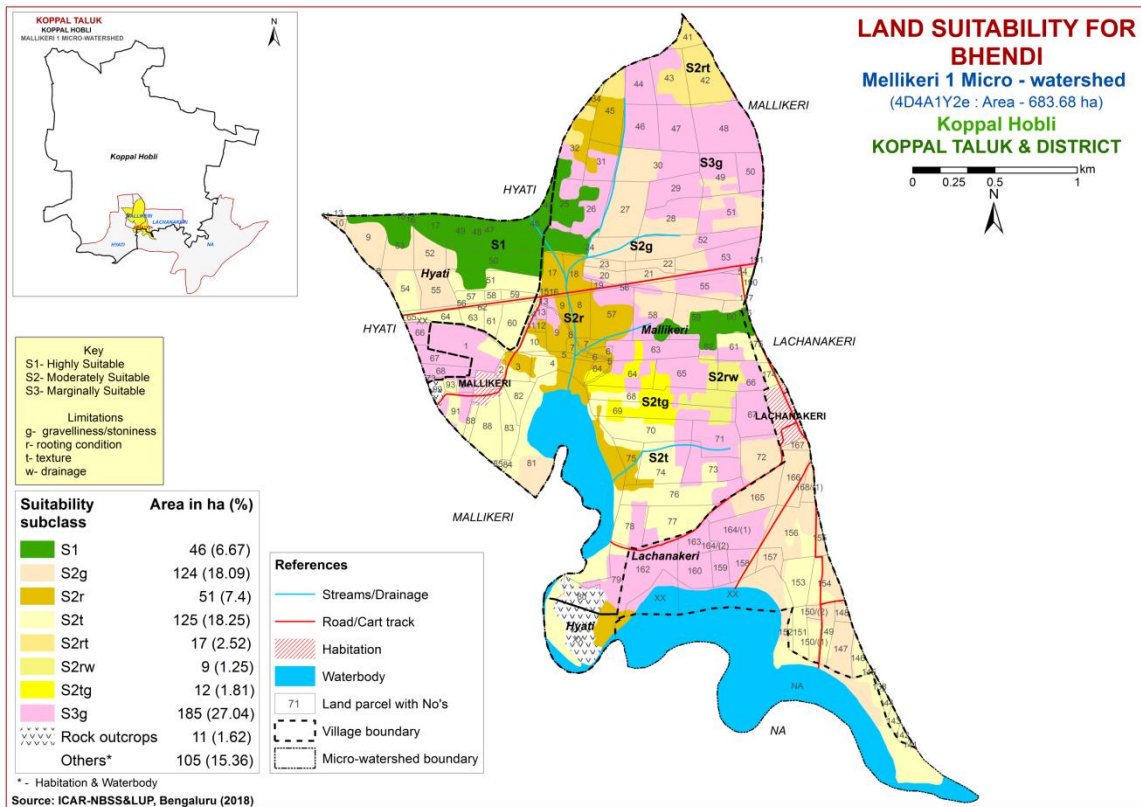


Fig. 7.13 Land Suitability map of Bhendi

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

Drumstick is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in 2403 ha area in the State. The crop requirements for growing drumstick (Table 7.15) 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 7.14.

An area of 170 ha (25%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the western, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 137 ha (20%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the northern, southeastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of 262 ha (38%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, drainage and rooting condition.

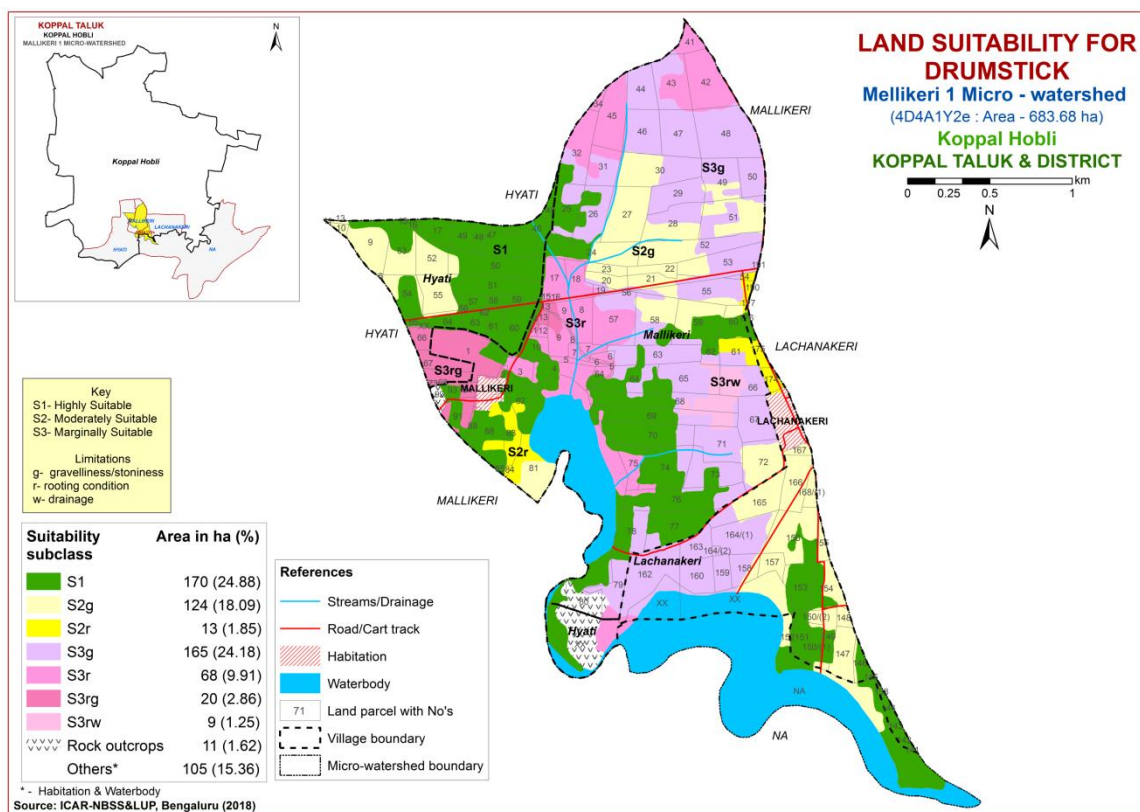


Fig. 7.14 Land Suitability map of Drumstick

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

Mango is one of the most important fruit crop grown in about 1.73 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.16) 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 are given in Figure 7.15.

An area of 114 ha (17%) is highly (Class S1) suitable for growing mango and are distributed in the central, western and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of 56 ha (8%) and are distributed in the western and eastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of 302 ha (44%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness. An area of 96 ha (14%) is currently not suitable (Class N1) for growing mango and occur in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of gravelliness, drainage and rooting condition.

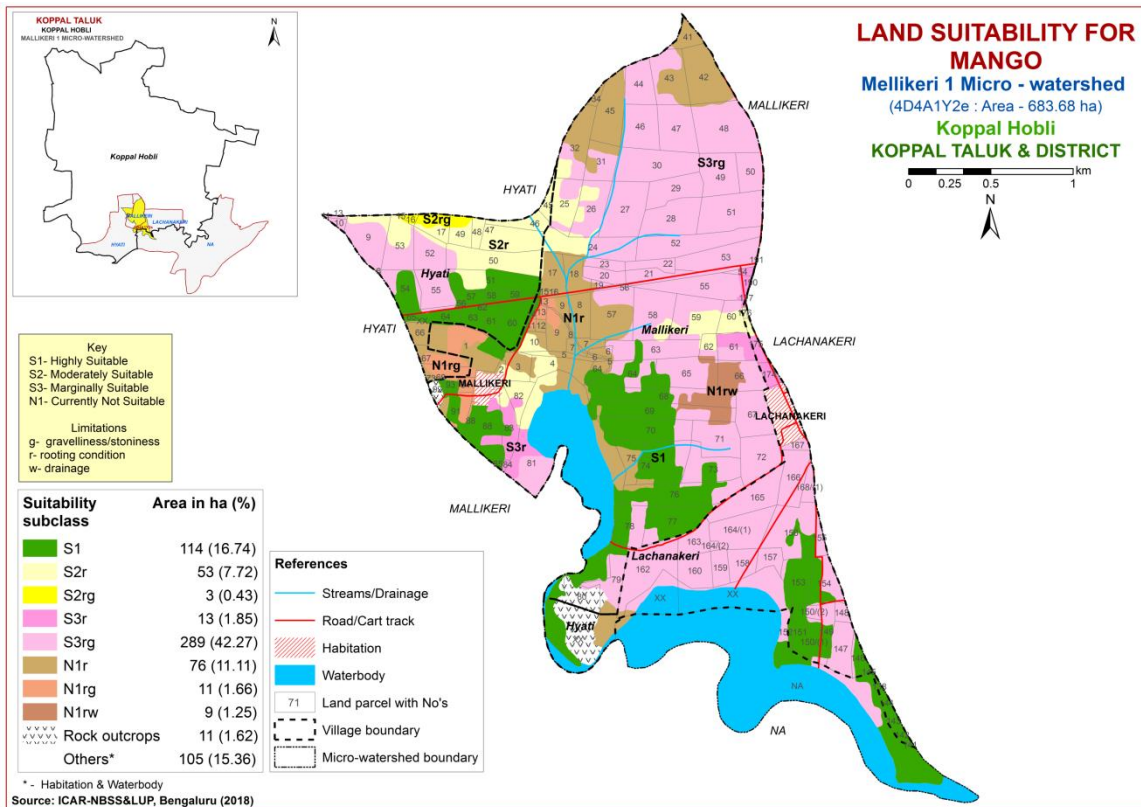


Fig. 7.15 Land Suitability map of Mango

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

Guava is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of about 0.64 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.17) for growing guava were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing guava was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.16.

An area of 145 ha (21%) is highly (Class S1) for growing guava and are distributed in the southeastern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occur in an area of 204 ha (30%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness, rooting condition and texture. Maximum area of about 221 ha (32%) area is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing guava and occur in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage.

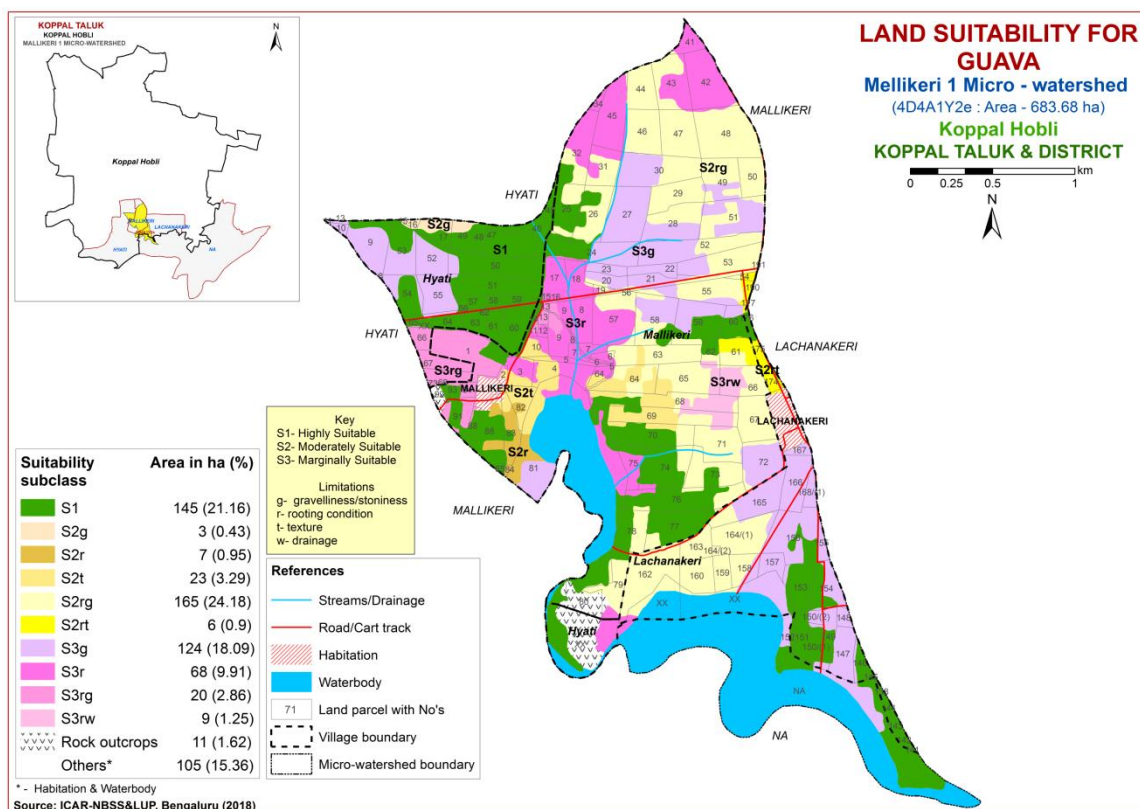


Fig. 7.16 Land Suitability map of Guava

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

Sapota is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of about 29373 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.18) 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.17.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing sapota and are distributed in the western, central, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occur in an area of 181 ha (26%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Major area of 221 ha (32%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and occur in the all parts of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage.

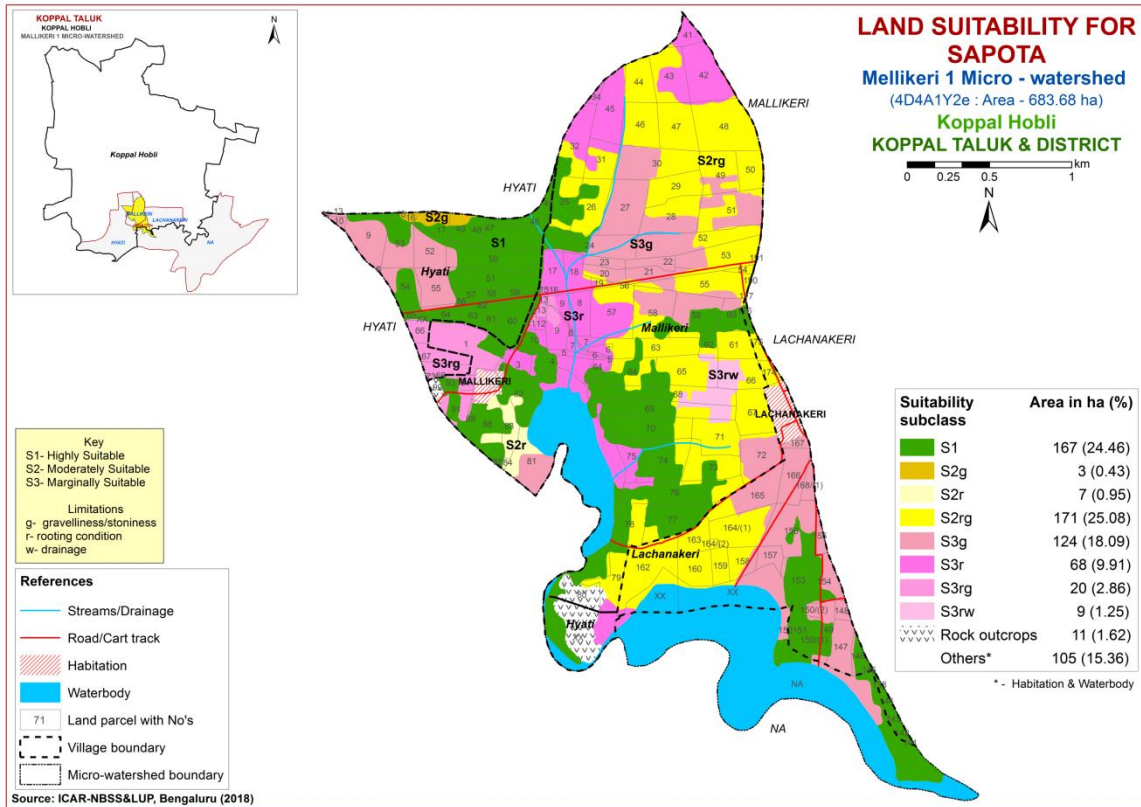


Fig. 7.17 Land Suitability map of Sapota

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

Pomegranate is one of the commercially grown fruit crop in about 18488 ha in Karnataka mainly in Bijapur, Bagalkot, Koppal, Gadag and Chitradurga districts. The crop requirements for growing pomegranate (Table 7.19) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing pomegranate was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.18.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing pomegranate and are distributed in the western, central and southeastern in the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of 181 ha (26%) and are distributed in the northern, central, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition and calcareousness. Maximum area of 221 ha (32%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing pomegranate and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.



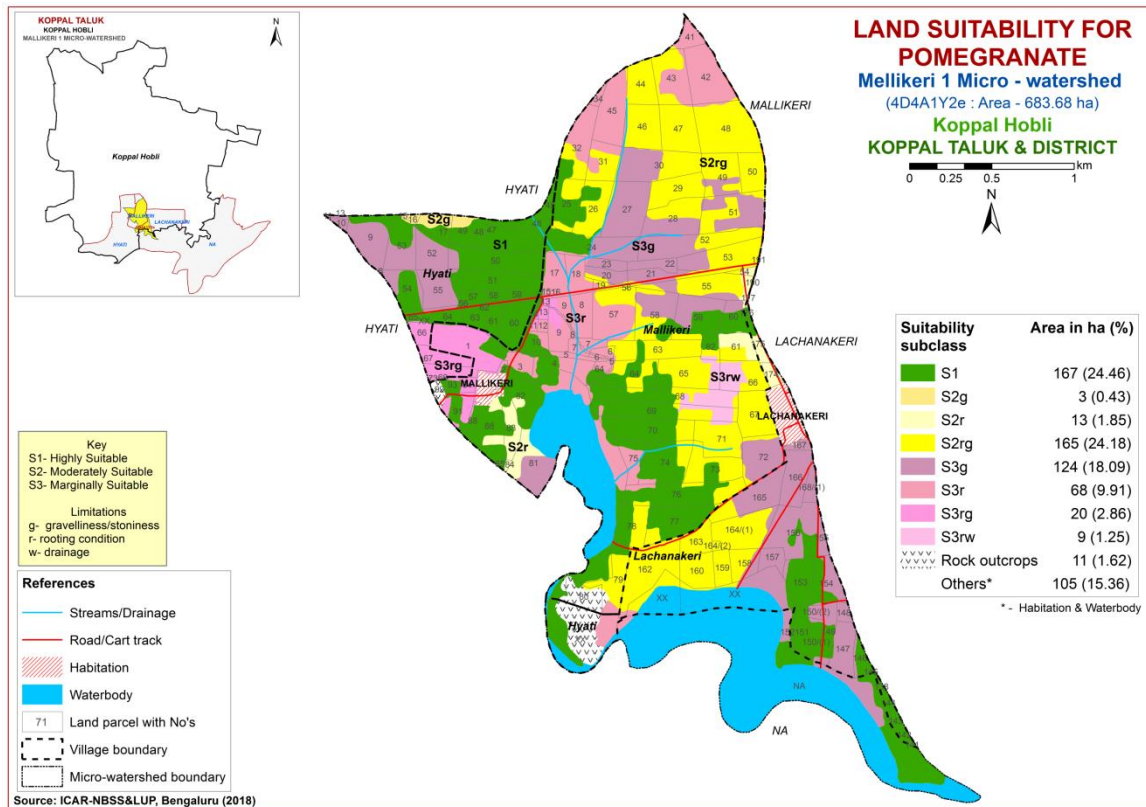


Fig. 7.18 Land Suitability map of Pomegranate

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

Musambi is one of the most important fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing musambi (Table 7.20) 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.19.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing musambi and are distributed in the western, central, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 181 ha (26%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the northern, eastern, western and central part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occur in a maximum area of 221 ha (32%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.

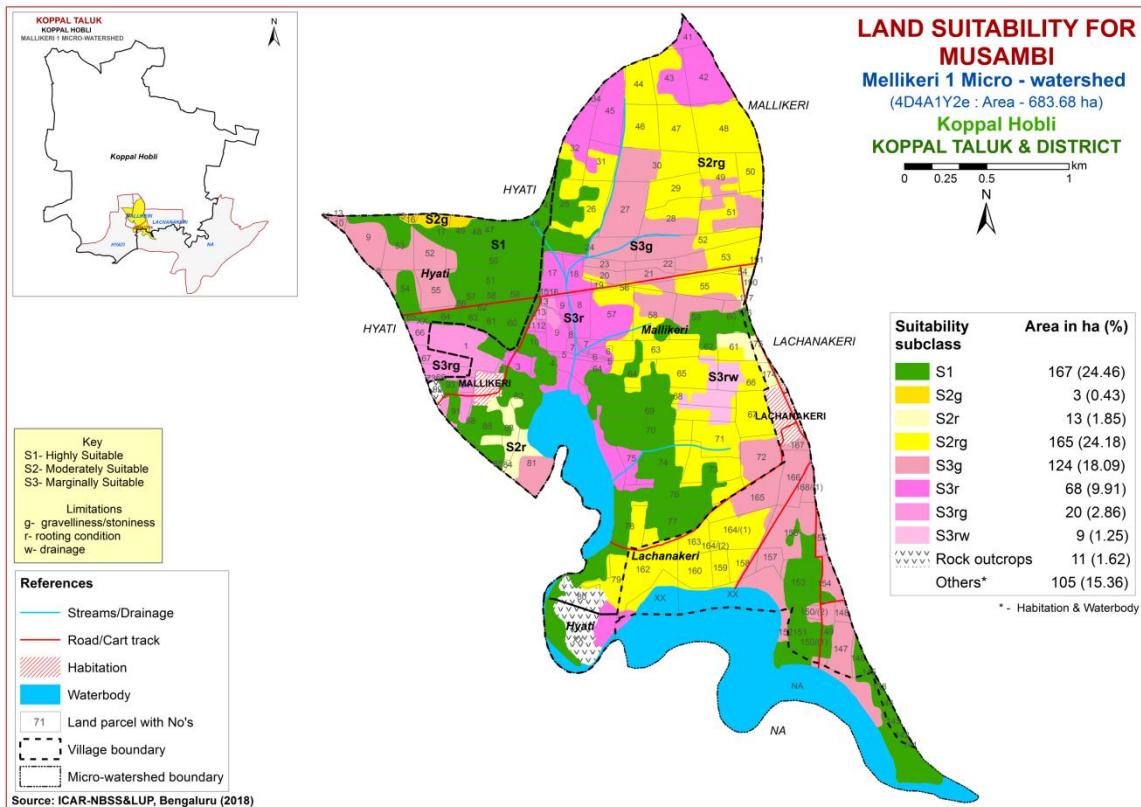


Fig. 7.19 Land Suitability map of Musambi

## 7.20 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 7.21) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing lime was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.20.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing lime and are distributed in the western, central, eastern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 181 ha (26%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the northern, central, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occur in a maximum area of 221 ha (32%) for growing lime and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.

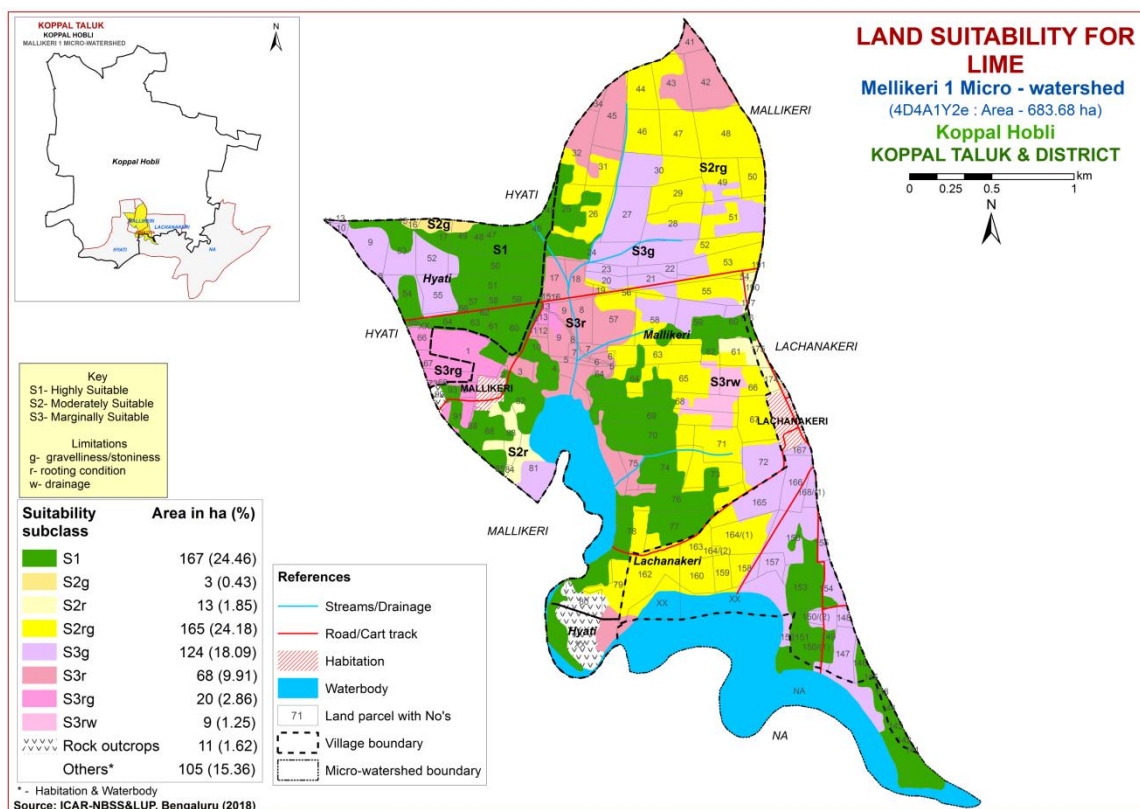


Fig. 7.20 Land Suitability map of Lime

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

Amla is one of the most important medicinal crop grown in 151 ha area and distributed in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing amla (Table 7.22) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing amla was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.21.

An area of 183 ha (27%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing amla and are distributed in the eastern, western and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 386 ha (56%) has soils that are moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage. There are no marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing amla in the microwatershed.

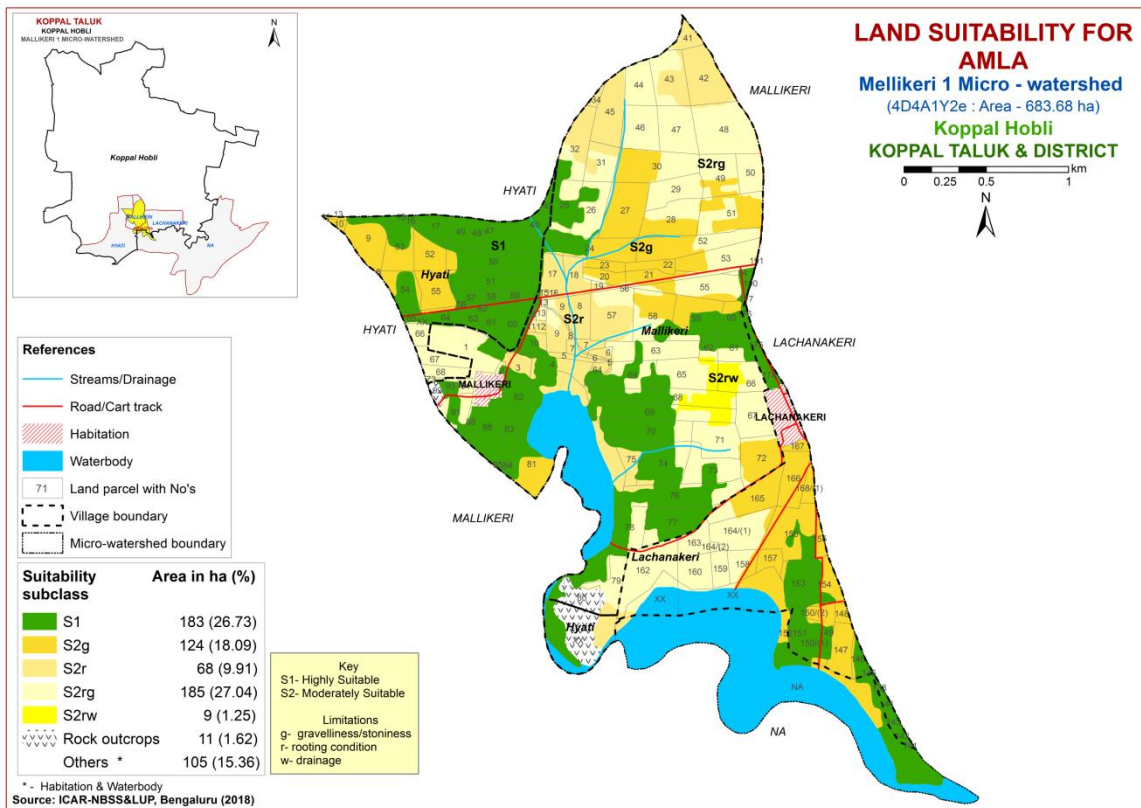


Fig. 7.21 Land Suitability map of Amla

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

Cashew is one of the most important nut crop grown in an area of 1.24 lakh ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing cashew (Table 7.23) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing cashew was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.22.

An area of 154 ha (23%) is highly (Class S1) for growing cashew and are distributed in the western, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately (Class S2) suitable lands occur in an area of 194 ha (28%) and are distributed in the northern, central and eastern part of the microwatershed. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occur in a maximum area of 221 ha (32%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.

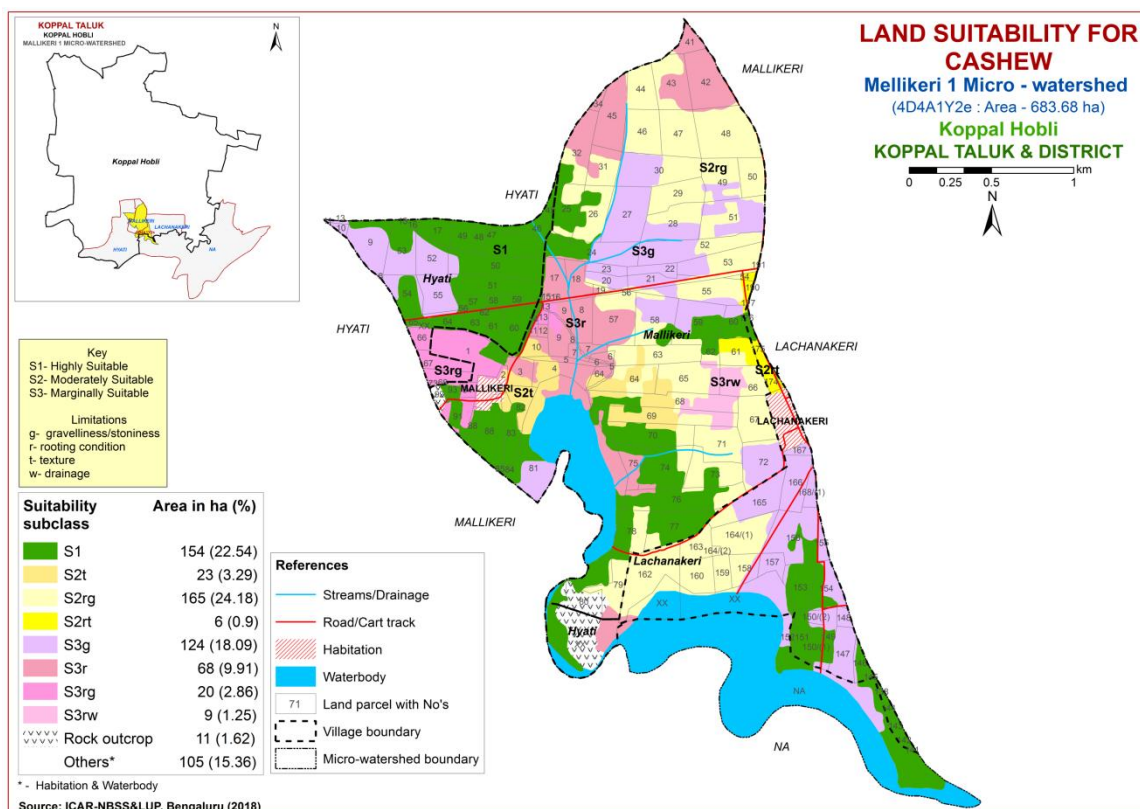


Fig. 7.22 Land Suitability map of Cashew

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

Jackfruit is one of the most important fruit crop grown in 5368 ha in all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing jackfruit (Table 7.24) 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in figure 7.23.

An area of 167 ha (24%) is highly (Class S1) for growing jackfruit and are distributed western, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Moderately (Class S2) suitable lands occur in an area of 181 ha (26%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of 221 ha (32%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage.

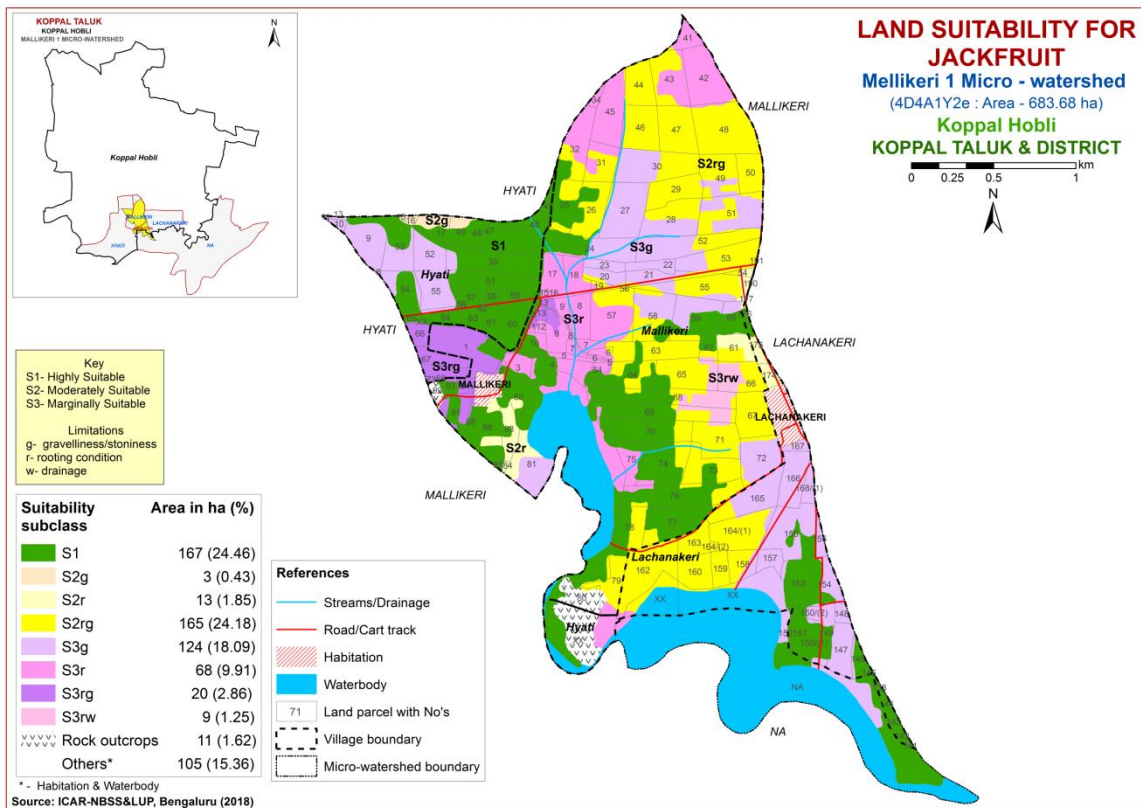


Fig. 7.23 Land Suitability map of Jackfruit

## 7.24 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 7.25) 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.24.

An area of 114 ha (17%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing jamun and are distributed in the western, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 227 ha (33%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occupy an area of 226 ha (33%) and are distributed in all parts of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage.

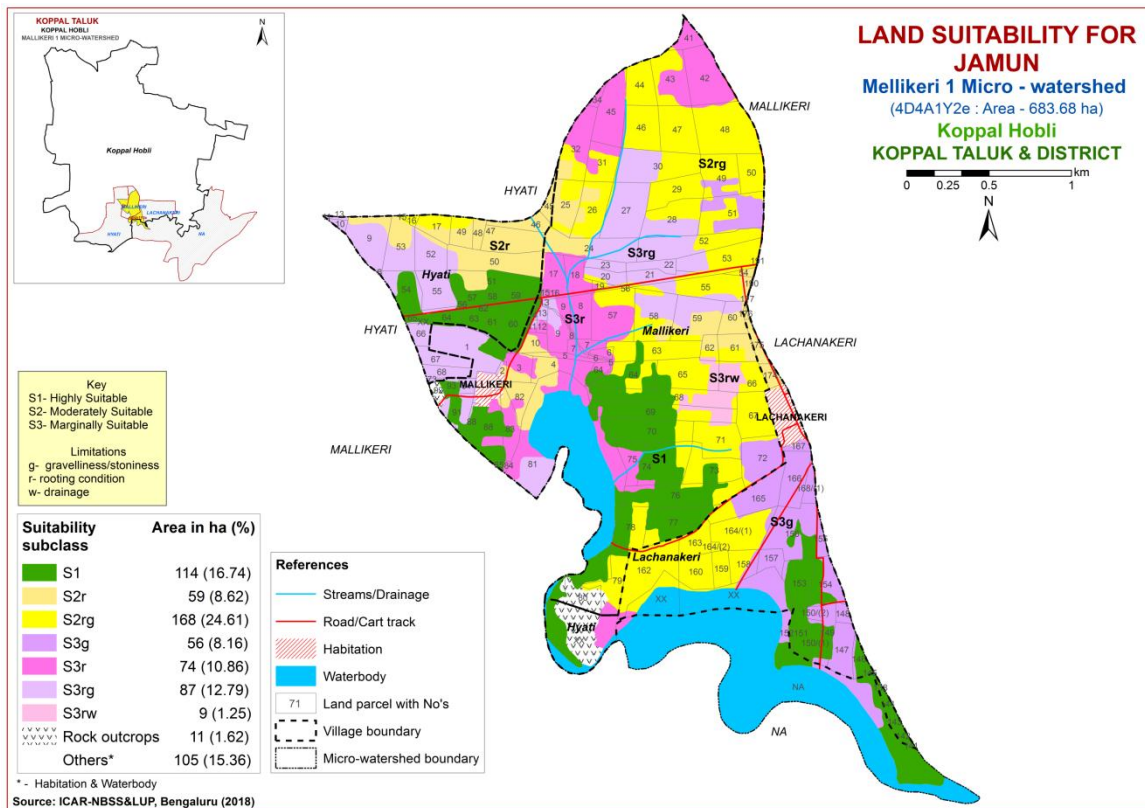


Fig. 7.24 Land Suitability map of Jamun

### 7.25 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 7.26) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing custard apple was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.25.

An area of 183 ha (27%) is highly (Class S1) suitable for growing custard apple and are distributed in the eastern, central, western and southeastern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of 386 ha (56%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage. There are no marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing custard apple in the microwatershed.

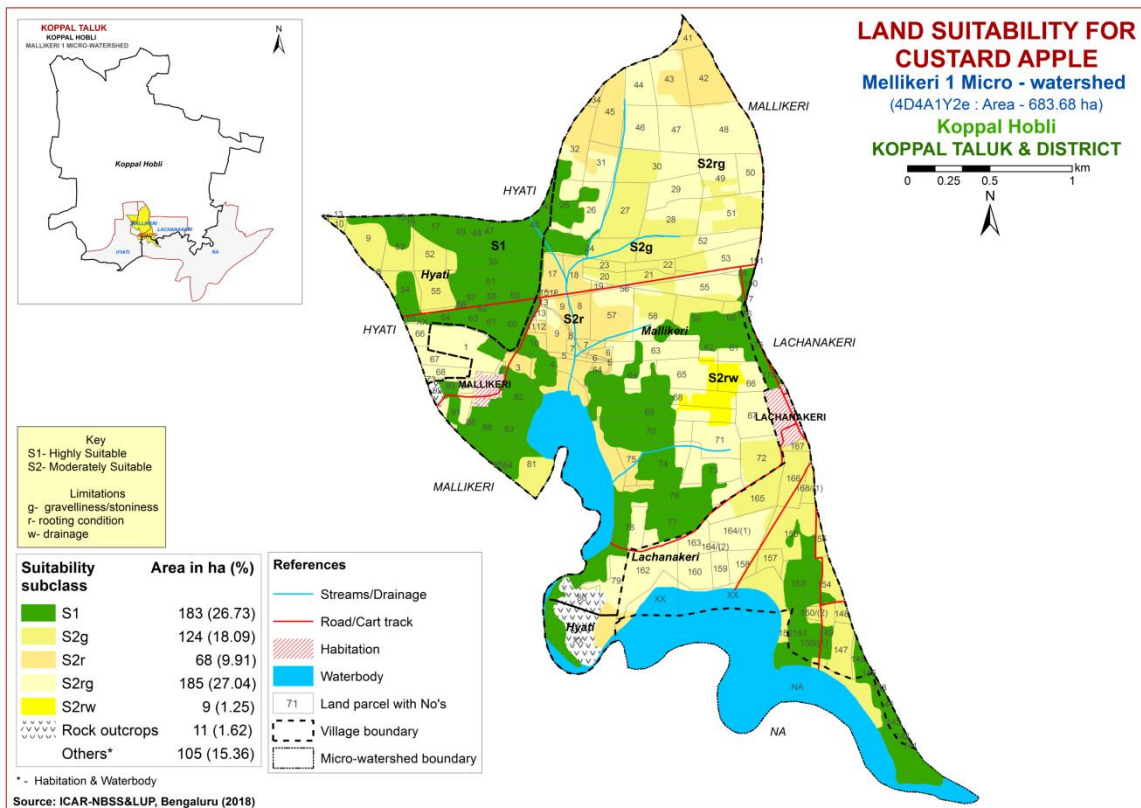


Fig. 7.25 Land Suitability map of Custard Apple

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

Tamarind is one of the most important spice crop grown in 14897 ha in all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing tamarind (Table 7.27) 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 Figure 7.26.

An area of 114 ha (17%) is highly (Class S1) suitable for growing tamarind and are distributed in the western, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 93 ha (14%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the eastern, western and northwestern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition and gravelliness. Maximum area of 265 ha (39%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and occur in major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. An area of 96 ha (14%) is currently not suitable (Class N1) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting condition, drainage and gravelliness.



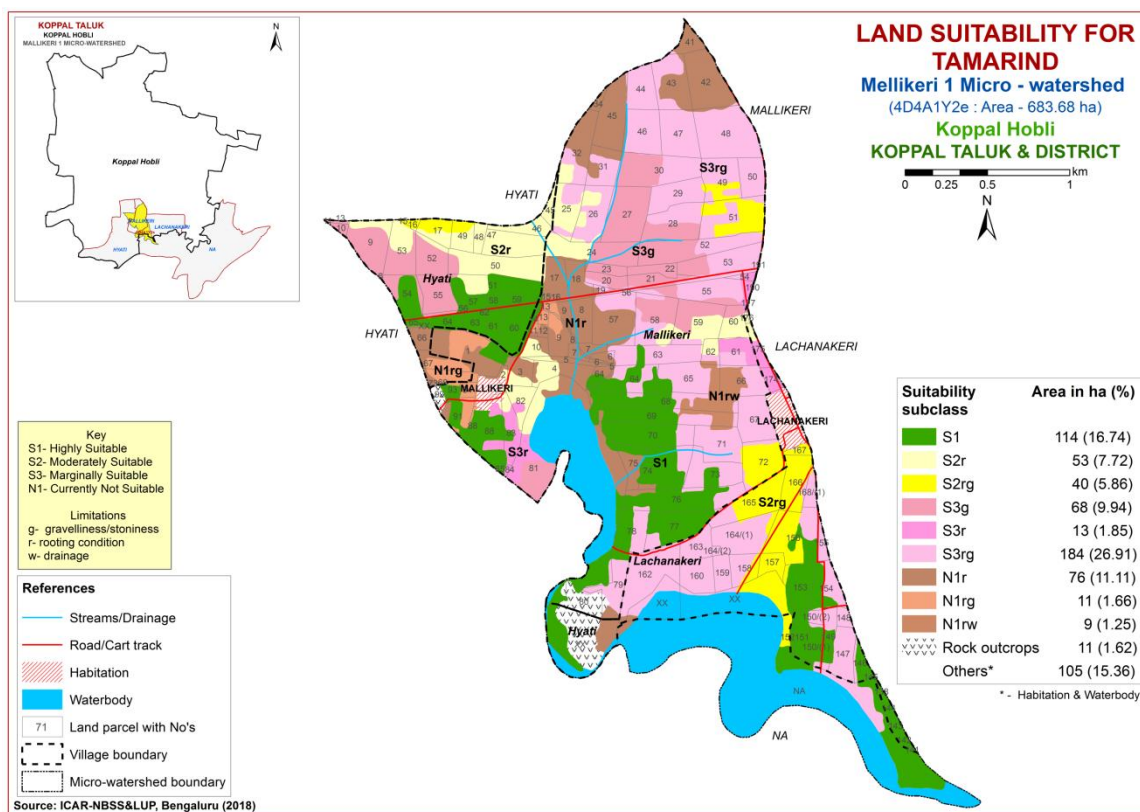


Fig. 7.26 Land Suitability map of Tamarind

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

Mulberry is the most important leaf crop grown for rearing silkworms in about 1.66 lakh ha in all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing mulberry (Table 7.28) 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 7.27.

An area of 170 ha (25%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing mulberry and are distributed in the eastern, southeastern, central and western part of the microwatershed. Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy a maximum area of 302 ha (44%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and rooting condition. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of 97 ha (14%) and are distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness and drainage.

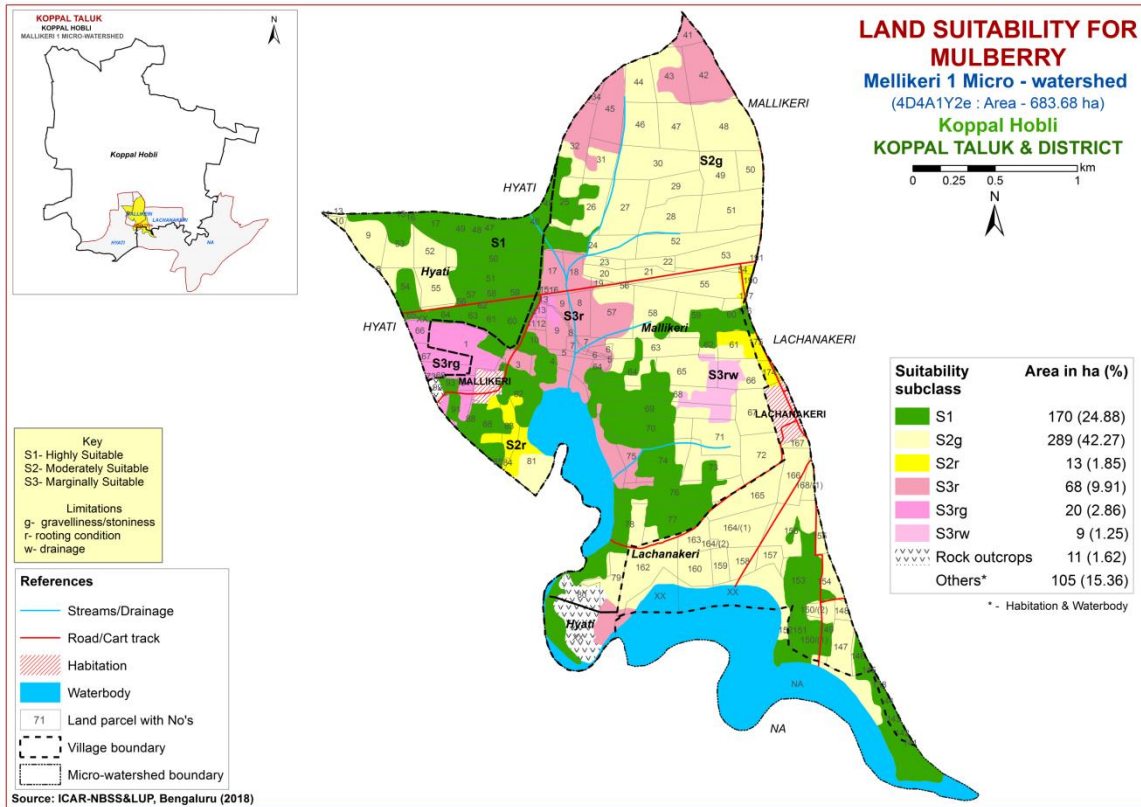


Fig. 7.27 Land Suitability map of Mulberry

## 7.28 Land Suitability for Marigold (*Tagetes erecta*)

Marigold is one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 1858 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing marigold (Table 7.29) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing marigold was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.28.

An area of 157 ha (23%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing marigold and are distributed in the eastern, southeastern, central and western part of the microwatershed. An area of 111 ha (16%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and are distributed in the northern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of drainage, gravelliness, rooting condition and texture. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

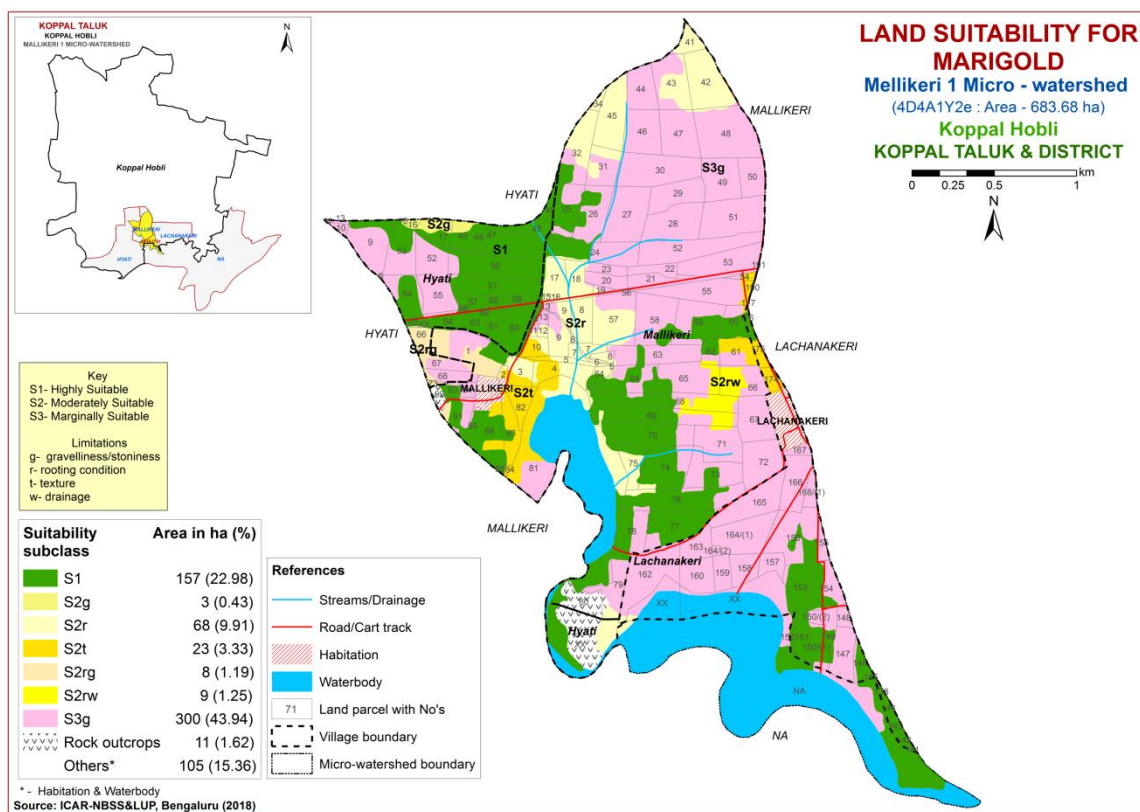


Fig. 7.28 Land Suitability map of Marigold

## 7.29 Land Suitability for Chrysanthemum (*Chrysanthemum indicum*)

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 for growing chrysanthemum (Table 7.30) 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 geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.29.

An area of 157 ha (23%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing chrysanthemum and are distributed in the western, eastern, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 110 ha (16%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing chrysanthemum and are distributed in the northern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, drainage, gravelliness and texture. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing chrysanthemum and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

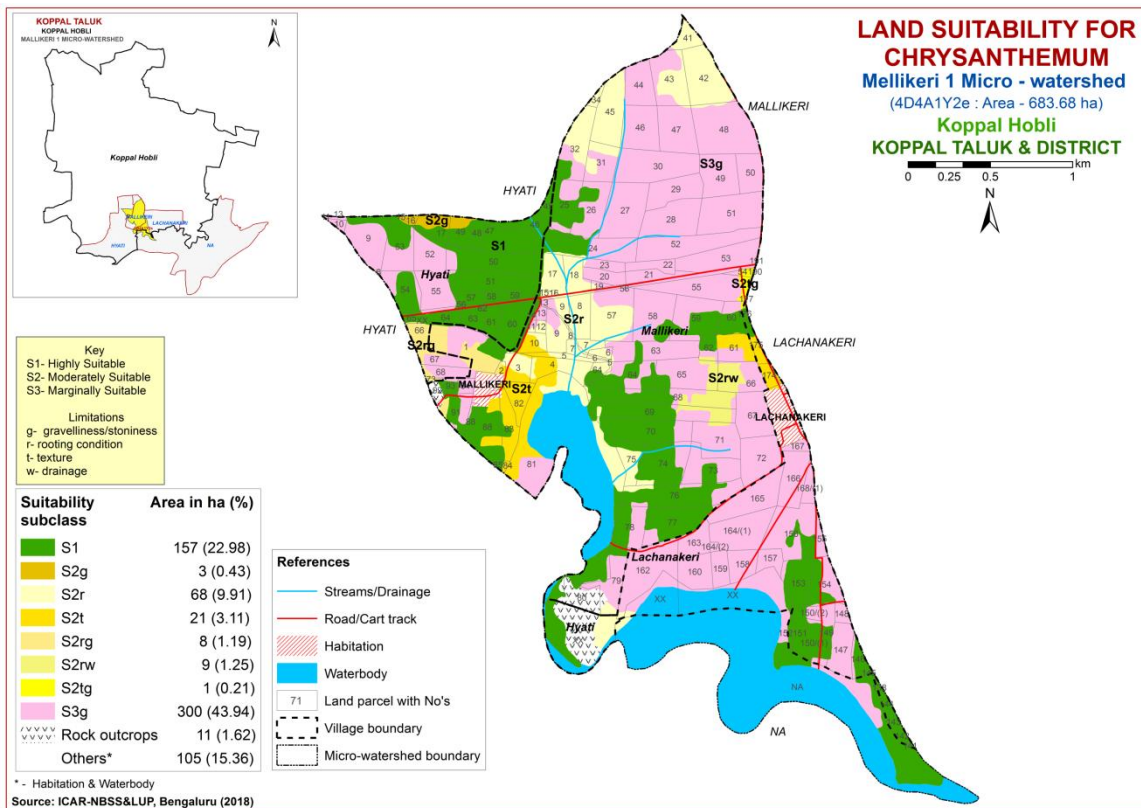


Fig. 7.29 Land Suitability map of Chrysanthemum

### 7. 30 Land Suitability for Jasmine (*Jasminum sp.*)

Jasmine is one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 6146 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.31) for growing jasmine were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing jasmine was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.30.

An area of 157 ha (23%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing jasmine and are distributed in the western, eastern, southeastern and central part of the microwatershed. An area of 110 ha (16%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the northern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, texture, drainage and gravelliness. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

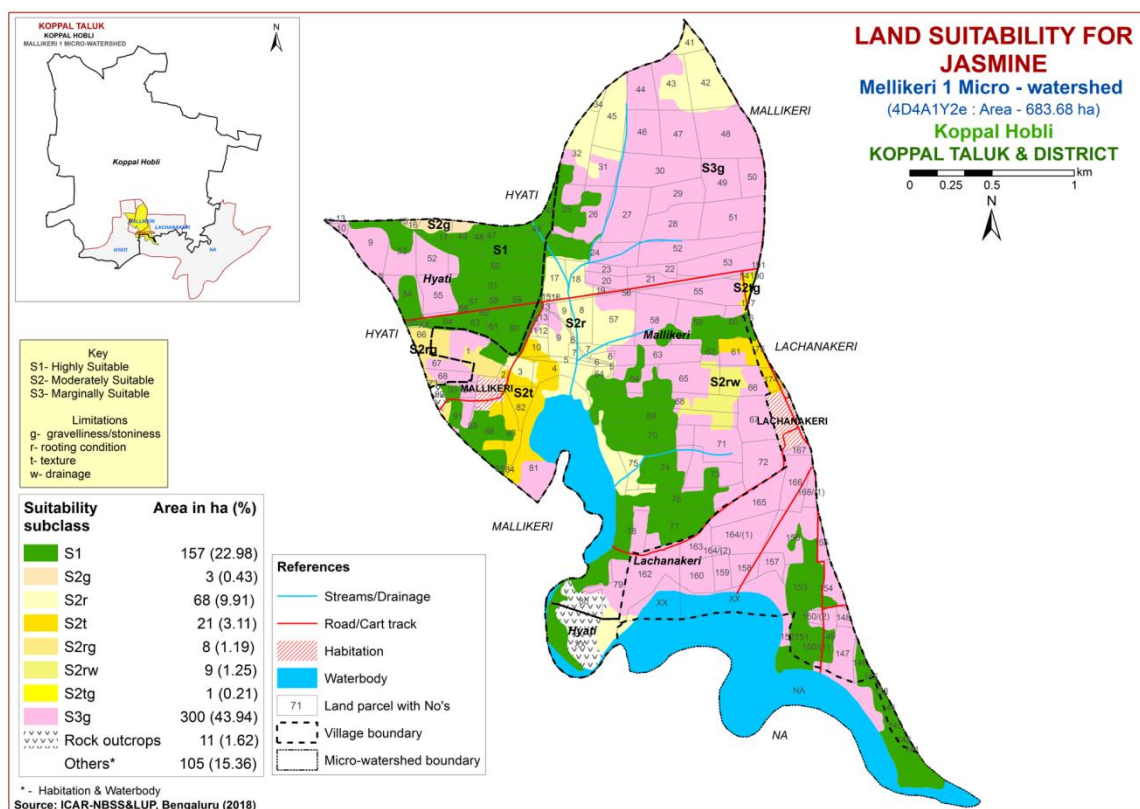


Fig. 7.30 Land Suitability map of Jasmine

### 7. 31 Land Suitability for Crossandra (*Crossandra in fundibuliformis*)

Crossandra is one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 6146 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.32) for growing crossandra were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing crossandra was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.31.

An area of 157 ha (23%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing crossandra and are distributed in the western, eastern, central and southeastern part of the microwatershed. An area of 110 ha (16%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing crossandra and occur in the northern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting condition, gravelliness, drainage and texture. Maximum area of 300 ha (44%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness.

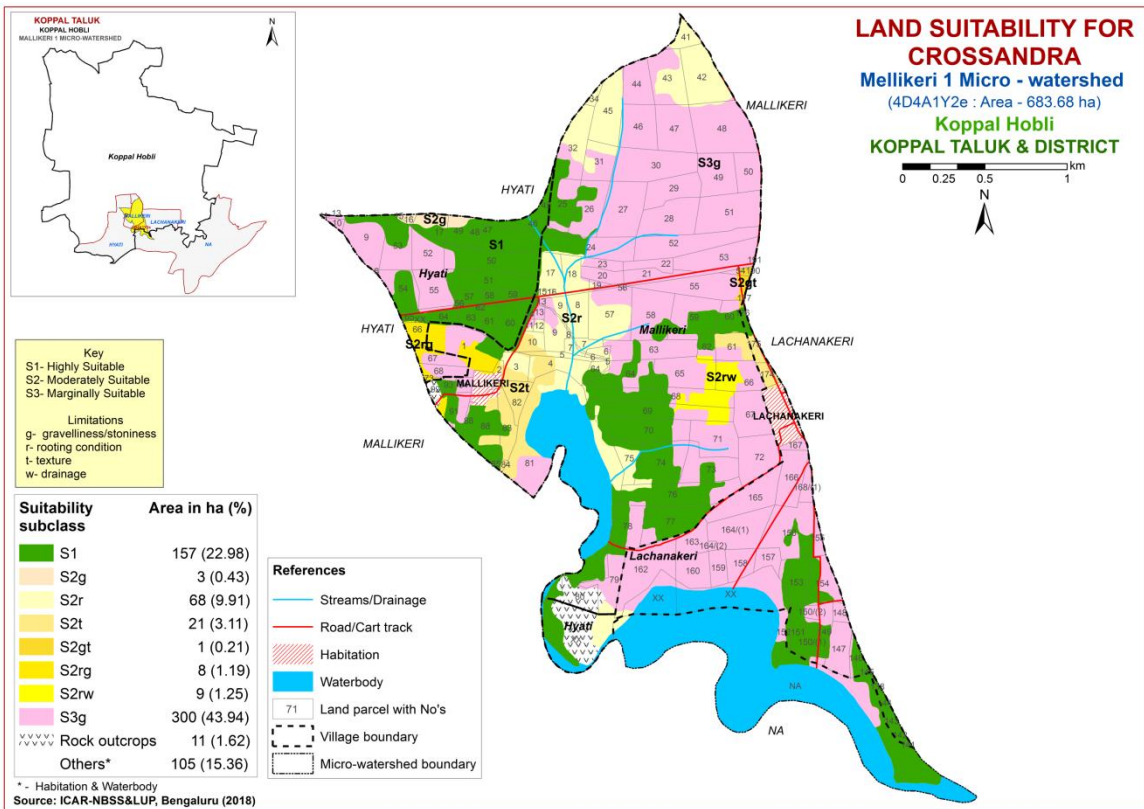


Fig. 7.31 Land Suitability map of Crossandra

**Table 7.1 Soil-Site Characteristics of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed**

Soil Map Units	Climate (P) (mm)	Growing period (Days)	Drainage Class	Soil depth (cm)	Soil texture		Gravelliness		AWC (mm/m)	Slope (%)	Erosion	pH	EC	ESP	CEC [Cmol (p <sup>+</sup> ) kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	BS (%)
					Surf-ace	Sub-surface	Sur-face	Sub-surface								
TDHiB1	662	90	WD	50-75	sc	sc-c	-	<15	100-150	1-3	Slight	9.19	0.18	5.82	3.57	100
KGHcA1	662	90	WD	50-75	sl	gscl	-	15-35	100-150	0-1	Slight	6.66	0.08	0.93	8.22	100
KGHcB1	662	90	WD	50-75	sl	gscl	-	15-35	100-150	1-3	Slight	6.66	0.08	0.93	8.22	100
KGHhB2	662	90	WD	50-75	scl	gscl	-	15-35	100-150	1-3	Moderate	6.66	0.08	0.93	8.22	100
KGHhB2g1	662	90	WD	50-75	scl	gscl	15-35	15-35	100-150	1-3	Moderate	6.66	0.08	0.93	8.22	100
HTiB2	662	90	WD	50-75	sc	gsc	-	15-35	50-100	1-3	Moderate	7.11	0.10	0.30	0.90	147
LKRcB2g1	662	90	WD	50-75	sl	gsc	15-35	40-60	50-100	1-3	Moderate	8.18	0.30	4.51	12.19	100
MKHhB1g1	662	90	WD	50-75	scl	gsc	15-35	>35	50-100	1-3	Slight	7.38	0.09	1.49	14.84	93
MKHhB1g2	662	90	WD	50-75	sc	gsc	35-60	>35	50-100	1-3	Slight	7.38	0.09	1.49	14.84	93
HNHhB2g1	662	90	MWD	50-75	scl	sc	15-35	-	100-150	1-3	Moderate	7.94	0.99	2.13	18.00	99.15
BSRhB2	662	90	WD	75-100	scl	gsc	-	15-35	50-100	1-3	Moderate	7.94	0.99	2.13	18.00	99.15
CKMiA1	662	90	WD	75-100	sc	sc	-	-	100-150	0-1	Slight	7.99	0.32	1.73	12.50	119
CKMiB1	662	90	WD	75-100	sc	sc	-	-	100-150	1-3	Slight	7.99	0.32	1.73	12.50	119
HDHcB2g1	662	90	WD	75-100	sl	gsc-gc	15-35	>35	50-100	1-3	Moderate	6.54	0.07	7.11	5.84	84.7
HDHhB2	662	90	WD	75-100	scl	gsc-gc	-	>35	50-100	1-3	Moderate	6.54	0.07	7.11	5.84	84.7
HDHhB2g1	662	90	WD	75-100	scl	gsc-gc	-	>35	50-100	1-3	Moderate	6.54	0.07	7.11	5.84	84.7
BPRcB2	662	90	WD	100-150	sl	gsc-gc	-	>35	51-100	1-3	Moderate	6.64	0.03	0.51	5.45	63.48
BPRcB2g1	662	90	WD	100-150	sl	gsc-gc	15-35	>35	51-100	1-3	Moderate	6.64	0.03	0.51	5.45	63.48
BPRhB2g1	662	90	WD	100-150	scl	gsc-gc	15-35	>35	51-100	1-3	Moderate	6.64	0.03	0.51	5.45	63.48
NGPcB2g2	662	90	WD	100-150	sl	gsc	35-60	>35	51-100	1-3	Moderate	6.77	0.09	1.40	7.10	82.70
NGPhB2	662	90	WD	100-150	scl	gsc	-	>35	51-100	1-3	Moderate	6.77	0.09	1.40	7.10	82.70

Soil Map Units	Climate (P) (mm)	Growing period (Days)	Drainage Class	Soil depth (cm)	Soil texture		Gravelliness		AWC (mm/m)	Slope (%)	Erosion	pH	EC	ESP	CEC [Cmol (p <sup>+</sup> ) kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	BS (%)
					Surf-ace	Sub-surface	Sur-face	Sub-surface								
GDPcB2	662	90	WD	100-150	sl	gsc-gc	-	35-60	51-100	1-3	Moderate	7.88	0.10	2.87	7.8	97
GDPPhB2	662	90	WD	100-150	scl	gsc-gc	-	35-60	51-100	1-3	Moderate	7.88	0.10	2.87	7.8	97
JDGcB2	662	90	WD	100-150	sl	sc-c	-	<15	>200	1-3	Moderate	7.02	0.05	1.44	5.77	100
KMHhB1g1	662	90	WD	100-150	scl	sc	15-35	<15	150-200	1-3	Moderate	7.2	0.19	0.54	15.07	100
KMHiB2	662	90	WD	100-150	sc	sc	-	<15	150-200	1-3	Moderate	7.2	0.19	0.54	15.07	100
RTRcB2	662	90	WD	>150	sl	c	-	-	150-200	1-3	Moderate	6.47	0.03	0.41	7.07	100
RTRiB2	662	90	WD	>150	sc	c	-	-	150-200	1-3	Moderate	6.47	0.03	0.41	7.07	100

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



**Table 7.2 Land suitability criteria for Sorghum**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime 1	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	26–30	30–34; 24–26	34–40; 20–24	>40; <20
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristics					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc, c (red), c (black)	sc1, cl	ls, sl	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.8	5.0-5.5 7.8-9.0	>9.0	-
	CEC	C mol (p+)/K g				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	10-15
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.3 Land suitability criteria for Maize**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	30-34	35-38 26-30	38-40 26-20	
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	Very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc	c (red), c (black)	ls, sl	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.8	5.0-5.5 7.8-9.0	>9.0	-
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.4 Land suitability criteria for Bajra**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-32	33-38 24-27	39-40 20-23	<20
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm	500-750	400-500	200-400	<200
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	Very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl, scl, cl,sc,c (red)	C (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.0-5.5 7.8-9.0	5.5-6.0 >9.0	
	CEC	C mol (p+)/ Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	15-35	35-60	>60	
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.5 Land suitability criteria for Groundnut**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	24–33	22–24; 33–35	20–22; 35–40	<20; >40
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. Well drained	Poorly drained	Very Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl	sl,cl, sc	c (red), c (black), ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.5-6.0 7.8-8.4	5.0-5.5 8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<35	35-60	>60	
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.6 Land suitability criteria for Sunflower**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	24–30	30–34; 20–24	34–38; 16–20	>38; <16
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	mod. Well drained	-	Poorly to very drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	cl, sc,c (red), c (black)	scl	ls, sl	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.5-7.8	7.8-8.4 5.5-6.5	8.4-9.0; 5.0-5.5	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.7 Land suitability criteria for Red gram**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	30-35(G) 20-25(AV) 15-18 (F&PS) 35-40(M)	25-30(G) 20-25 (AV) 12-15 (F&PS) 30-35(M)	20-25(G) 15-20(AV) 10-12 (F&PS) 25-30(M)	< 20 <15 <10 <25
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. Well drained	Poorly drained	Very Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc, c (red)	c (black),sl, scl, cl	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.5-6.0 7.8-9.0	5.0-5.5 >9.0	-
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-50	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

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

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)	
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	20–25	25–30; 15–20	30–35; 10–15	>35; <10
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. Well drained	Poorly drained	Very Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	C (black)	-	c (red), scl, cl, sc	ls, sl
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.0-6.0 7.8-9.0	>9.0	-
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.9 Land suitability criteria for Cotton**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	22-32	>32	<19	-
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well to moderately well	Poorly drained/Some what excessively drained	-	very poorly/excessively drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc, c (red,black)	cl	scl	ls, sl
	pH	1:2.5	6.5-7.8	7.8-8.4	5.5-6.5 8.4->9.0	<5.5
	CEC	C mol (p+)Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	50-100	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-10	10-15	>15	
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	-	>5



**Table 7.10 Land suitability criteria for Chilli**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	25-32	33-35 20-25	35-38 <20	>38
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	Very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc	c (black), sl	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/ Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.11 Land suitability criteria for Tomato**

Land use requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	25-28	29-32 20-24	15-19 33-36	<15 >36
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl, scl, cl, sc, c (red)	-	ls, c(black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.12 Land suitability criteria for Brinjal**

Land use requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class				
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl, scl, cl, sc c (red)	-	ls, c (black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	7.3-8.4 5.0-6.0	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.13 Land suitability criteria for Onion**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	20-30	30-35	35-40	>40
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately /imperfectly	-	Poorly to V poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl,scl,cl,sc,c (red)	-	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
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<1.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-4.0	<4
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.14 Land suitability criteria for Bhendi**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	25-28	29-32 20-24	15-19 33-36	<15 >36
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly to very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl,sc, c (red)	c (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.15 Land suitability criteria for Drumstick**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc, scl, cl, c (red)	sl, c (black)	ls	s
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-5.5 7.3-7.8	5.5-6.0 7.8-8.4	>8.4
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<35	35-60	60-80	>80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m				
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-10	-	>10

**Table 7.16 Land suitability criteria for Mango**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-32	24-27 33-35	36-40	20-24
	Min temp. before flowering	°C	10-15	15-22	>22	-
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration	Days				
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c (red)	-	ls, sl, c (black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.3	5.0-5.5 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	75-100	<75
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.17 Land suitability criteria for Guava**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-32	33-36 24-27	37-42 20-23	
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10



**Table 7.18 Land suitability criteria for Sapota**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-32	33-36 24-27	37-42 20-23	>42 <18
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	-	Poorly to very drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c (red)	sl	ls, c (black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/ Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.19 Land suitability criteria for Pomegranate**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	30-34	35-38 25-29	39-40 15-24	
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl,cl, sc, c (red)	c (black),sl	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.8	7.8-8.4	5.0-5.5 8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/ Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.20 Land suitability criteria for Musambi**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-30	31-35 24-27	36-40 20-23	>40 <20
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately drained	poorly	Very poorly
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c	sl	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.5-6.0 7.8-8.4	5.0-5.5 8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.21 Land suitability criteria for Lime**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	28-30	31-35 24-27	36-40 20-23	>40 <20
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately drained	poorly	Very poorly
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c	sl	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.8	5.5-6.0 7.8-8.4	5.0-5.5 8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.22 Land suitability criteria for Amla**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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 7.3-7.8	7.8-8.4	>8.4
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15-35	35-60	60-80	-
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.23 Land suitability criteria for Cashew**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	32 to 34	28 to 32; 34 to 38	24 to 28; 38 to 40	<20; >40
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	moderately well drained	Poorly drained	Very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c (red)	-	sl, ls	c (black)
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-6.5	5.0-5.5 6.5-7.3	7.3-7.8	>7.8
	CEC	C mol (p+)/ Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-10	>10	-

**Table 7.24 Land suitability criteria for Jackfruit**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. well	Poorly	V. Poorly
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10-

**Table 7.25 Land suitability criteria for Jamun**

Land use requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)	
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well	Mod. well	Poorly	V.Poorly
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10



**Table 7.26 Land suitability criteria for Custard apple**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl, cl, sc, c (red), c (black)	-	Sl, ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.5-6.0 7.3-8.4	5.0-5.5 8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15-35	35-60	60-80	-
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	>5	-

**Table 7.27 Land suitability criteria for Tamarind**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod.well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	75-100	<75
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	ds/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.28 Land suitability criteria for Mulberry**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	24–28	22–24; 28–32	32–38; 22–18	>38; <18
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc, cl, scl	c (red)	c (black), sl, ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.3	5.0-5.5 7.8-8.4	7.3-8.4	>8.4
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	0-35	35-60	60-80	>80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2	2-4	4-8	>8
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<5	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Note:** Suitability evaluation only for Mulberry leaf not for Silk worm rearing

**Table 7.29 Land suitability criteria for Marigold**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14	>40 <10
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl,scl, cl, sc, c (red)	c (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%				
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.30 Land suitability criteria for Chrysanthemum**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14	>40 <10
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sl,scl, cl, sc, c (red)	c (black)	ls	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%				
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

**Table 7.31 Land suitability criteria for Jasmine (irrigated)**

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C	18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14	-
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Poorly drained	V.Poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, cl, sc, c (red)	sl	ls, c (black)	-
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.3	5.0-6.0 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%				
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

### 7.32 Land suitability criteria for Crossandra

Land use requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N1)
Climatic regime	Mean temperature in growing season	°C				
	Mean max. temp. in growing season	°C				
	Mean min. tempt. in growing season	°C				
	Mean RH in growing season	%				
	Total rainfall	mm				
	Rainfall in growing season	mm				
Land quality	Soil-site characteristic					
Moisture availability	Length of growing period for short duration	Days				
	Length of growing period for long duration					
	AWC	mm/m				
Oxygen availability to roots	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	-	Poorly to very poorly drained
	Water logging in growing season	Days				
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 7.3-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
	CEC	C mol (p+)/Kg				
	BS	%				
	CaCO3 in root zone	%		<5	5-10	>10
	OC	%				
Rooting conditions	Effective soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Stoniness	%				
	Coarse fragments	Vol %	<15	15-35	35-60	60-80
Soil toxicity	Salinity (EC saturation extract)	dS/m	<2.0	2-4	4-8	>8.0
	Sodicity (ESP)	%				
Erosion hazard	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10

### 7.32 Land Management Units (LMUs)

The 28 soil map units identified in Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed have been grouped into 5 Land Management Units (LMUs) 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. 7.32) has been generated. These Land Management Units are expected to behave similarly for a given level of management.

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

LMU No.	Mapping unit	Soil and site characteristics
1	BSRhB2, CKMiA1, CKMiB1, KMHhB1g1, KMHiB2, RTRcB2, RTRiB2, JDGcB2	Moderately deep to very deep, red sandy clay to clay soils
2	HDHcB2g1, HDHhB2, HDHhB2g1, BPRcB2, BPRcB2g1, BPRhB2g1, NGPcB2g2, NGPhB2, GDPcB2, GDPPhB2	Moderately deep to deep, red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils
3	TDHiB1, KGHcA1, KGHcB1, KGHhB2, KGHhB2g1, HTIiB2	Moderately shallow, red sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils
4	LKRcB2g1, MKHhB1g1, MKHhB1g2	Moderately shallow, red gravelly sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils
5	HNHhB2g1	Moderately shallow, lowland clay soils



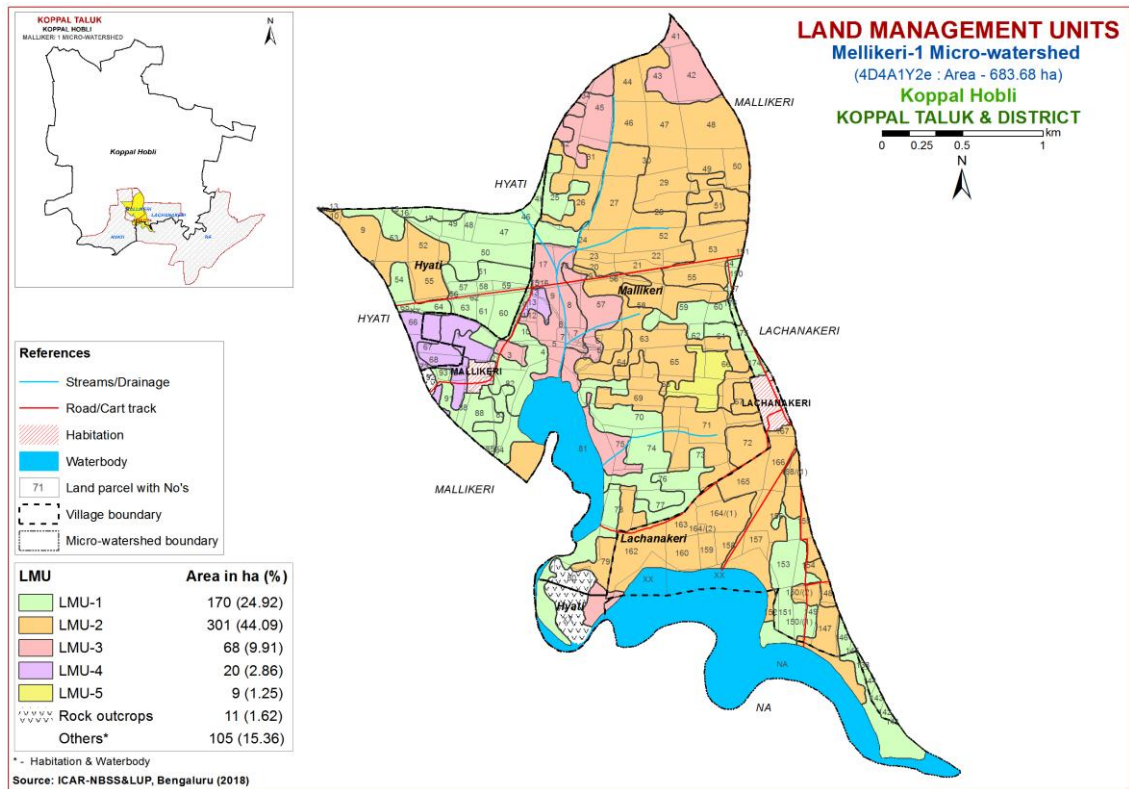


Fig 7.32 Land Management Units map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

### 7.33 Proposed Crop Plan for Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

After assessing the land suitability for the 31 crops, the proposed crop plan has been prepared for the 5 identified LMUs by considering only the highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands for each of the 31 crops. The resultant proposed crop plan is presented in Table 7.3

**Table 7.33 Proposed Crop Plan for Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed**

LMU	Soil Map Units	Survey Number	Soil characters	Field Crops	Horticulture Crops	Suitable Interventions
LMU 1 170 ha (25%)	161.BSRhB2 177.CKMiA1 178.CKMiB1 198.KMHhB1g1 201.KMHiB2 285.RTRcB2 288.RTRiB2 456.JDGcB2	<b>Hyati:</b> 15,16,17,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,54,56,57,58,59,60,61,62,63,64,65 <b>Lachanakeri:</b> 138,141,142,143,144,145,146,149,150/(1),151,152,153,174,175,176,177,190 <b>Mallikeri:</b> 2,4,10,14,25,54,60,61,62,70,74,76,77,78,82,83,84,85,88,91,93	Moderately deep to very deep, red sandy clay to clay soils	Maize, Sorghum, Sunflower, Bajra, Finger millet, Groundnut, Red gram, Cowpea, Field bean, Castor, Mulberry	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Pomegranate, Guava, Sapota, Jackfruit, Jamun, Tamarind, Lime, Musambi, Amla, Custard apple, Cashew <b>Vegetable crops:</b> Drumstick, Tomato, Bhendi, Chilli, Brinjal, Onion, Curry leaves <b>Flower crops:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum, Jasmine, Crossandra	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
LMU 2 301 ha (44%)	111.HDHcB2g1 122.HDHhB2 123.HDHhB2g1 224.BPRcB2 225.BPRcB2g1 231.BPRhB2g1 252.NGPcB2g2 260.NGPhB2 267.GDPcB2 268.GDPhB2	<b>Hyati:</b> 6,9,10,11,13,52,53,55 <b>Lachanakeri:</b> 147,148,150/(2),154,155,156,157,158,159,160,162,163,164/(1),164/(2),165,166,167,168/(1),191 <b>Mallikeri:</b> 19,20,21,22,23,24,26,27,28,29,30,31,44,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,55,56,58,59,63,64,65,67,69,71,72,73,79	Moderately deep to deep, red gravelly sandy clay to clay soils	Groundnut, Bajra, Horse gram, Castor, Mulberry	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Musambi, Lime, Jamun, Jackfruit Amla, Custard apple, Tamarind <b>Vegetable crops:</b> Drumstick, Curry leaves	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
LMU 3 68 ha	60.TDHiB1 63.KGHcA1	<b>Mallikeri:</b> 3,5,6,7,,8,9,12,15,16,17,18,32,34,41,42,43,45	Moderately shallow, red	Sorghum, Groundnut,	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Lime, Musambi, Amla, Custard apple, Cashew	Drip irrigation, Mulching, suitable

LMU	Soil Map Units	Survey Number	Soil characters	Field Crops	Horticulture Crops	Suitable Interventions
(10%)	64.KGHcB1 68.KGHhB2 69.KGHhB2g1 100.HTiB2	,5,57,75	sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils	Bajra, Green gram, Black gram, Cowpea, Horse gram, Castor,	<b>Flower crops:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum, Crossandra, Jasmine	soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
LMU 4 20 ha (3%)	43.LKRcB2g1 82.MKHhB1g1 83.MKHhB1g2	<b>Hyati:</b> 66,67,68,73 <b>Mallikeri :</b> 1,11,13,94	Moderately shallow, red gravelly sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils	Sorghum, Groundnut, Bajra, Castor	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Lime, Musambi, Amla, Cashew, Custard apple,	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
LMU 5 9 ha (1%)	464.HNHhB2g1	<b>Mallikeri :</b> 66,68	Moderately shallow, lowland clay soils	Maize, Bajra	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Custard Apple, Amla <b>Vegetable crops:</b> Brinjal, Tomato, Chillies, Coriander, Cabbage, Onion	Providing proper drainage, addition of organic manures, green leaf manuring, suitable conservation practises



## 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 unfavourable conditions occur

#### **Characteristics of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed**

- ❖ The soil phases with sizeable area identified in the microwatershed belonged to the soil series of Hooradhahalli (HDH) series occupies maximum area of 165 ha (24%), Ranatur (RTR) 102 ha (15%), Nagalapur (NGP) 68 ha (10%), Balapur (BPR) 55 ha (8%), Kutegoudanahundi (KGH) 51 ha (7%), Kumchahalli (KMH) 46 ha (7%), Thammadahalli (TDH) 13 ha (2%), Giddadapalya (GDP) 12 ha (2%), Lakkur (LKR) 11 ha (2%), Jedigere (JDG) 10 ha (1%), Honnenahalli (HNN) 9 ha (1%), Mukhadahalli (MKH) 8 ha (1%), Bisarahalli (BSR) 7 ha (1%), Chikkamegheri (CKM) 6 ha (1%) and Hatti (HTI) occupy minor area of about 4 ha (1%) in the microwatershed.

- ❖ As per land capability classification, entire area in the microwatershed falls under arable land category (Class II & III). The major limitations identified in the arable lands were soil, drainage and erosion.
- ❖ On the basis of soil reaction, an area of 175 ha (26%) is slightly acid (pH 6.0-6.5), 262 ha (38%) is neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) and about 130 ha (19%) is slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8) in the microwatershed. Entire area in the microwatershed is acid to neutral and alkaline in reaction.

### **Soil Health Management**

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

#### **Alkaline soils**

Slightly alkaline soils cover an area of 130 ha.

1. Regular addition of organic manure, green manuring, green leaf manuring, crop residue incorporation and mulching needs to be taken up to improve the soil organic matter status.
2. Application of biofertilizers (Azospirillum, Azotobacter, Rhizobium).
3. Application of 25% extra N and P (125 % RDN&P).
4. Application of  $ZnSO_4$  – 12.5 kg/ha (once in three years).
5. Application of Boron – 5 kg/ha (once in three years).

#### **Acid soils**

Slightly acid soils cover an area of 175 ha.

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

Liming materials:

1.  $CaCO_3$  (Calcium Carbonate). More than 90% use in India.
2. Dolomite [ $Ca Mg (CO_3)_2$ ]
3. Quick lime (CaO)
4. Slaked lime [ $Ca (OH)_2$ ]

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

#### **Neutral soils**

Neutral soils cover about 262 ha area in the microwatershed.

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 684 ha area in the microwatershed, an area of about 58 ha (9%) is suffering from slight erosion and 509 ha (74%) is suffering from moderate erosion. The areas suffering from moderate erosion 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 Treatment Plans for each plot or farm.
2. Productivity enhancement measures/ interventions for existing crops/livestock/other farm enterprises.
3. Diversification of farming mainly with perennial horticultural crops and livestock.
4. Improving livelihood opportunities and income generating activities.

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

- ❖ **Soil Depth:** The depth of a soil decides the amount of moisture and nutrients it can hold, what crops can be taken up or not, depending on the rooting depth and the length of growing period available for raising any crop. Deeper the soil, better for a wide variety of crops. If sufficient depth is not available for growing deep rooted crops, either choose medium or short duration crops or deeper planting pits need to be opened and additional good quality soil brought from outside has to be filled into the planting pits.
- ❖ **Surface Soil Texture:** Lighter soil texture in the top soil means, better rain water infiltration, less run-off and soil moisture conservation, less capillary rise and less evaporation losses. Lighter surface textured soils are amenable to good soil tilth and

are highly suitable for crops like groundnut, root vegetables (carrot, raddish, 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 Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed.
- ❖ **Organic Carbon:** The OC content (an index of available Nitrogen) is medium (0.5-0.75%) in 264 ha (38%). The areas that are medium in OC needs to be further improved by applying farmyard manure and rotating crops with cereals and legumes or mixed cropping. It is high (>0.75%) in 304 ha (44%).
- ❖ **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 the area where OC is medium. 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:** An area of about 40 ha (6%) is medium (23-57 kg/ha) in available phosphorus. Hence for all the crops, 25% additional P-needs to be applied where it is medium. An area of 527 ha (77%) is high (>57 kg/ha).
- ❖ **Available Potassium:** Available potassium is medium (145-337 kg/ha) in 404 ha (59%) and high (>337 kg/ha) in 164 (24%) in the microwatershed. Additional 25% potassium needs to be applied in areas where it is medium.
- ❖ **Available Sulphur:** Available sulphur is a very critical nutrient for oilseed crops. Available sulphur is low (<10 ppm) in 559 ha (82%) and medium (10-20 ppm) in 9 ha (1%) in the microwatershed. These low and medium 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 about 341 ha (50%) is low (<0.5 ppm) and 226 ha (33%) is medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in available boron content. The areas that are low and medium need to be applied with sodium borate @ 10 kg/ha as soil application or 0.2% borax as foliar spray to correct the deficiency.



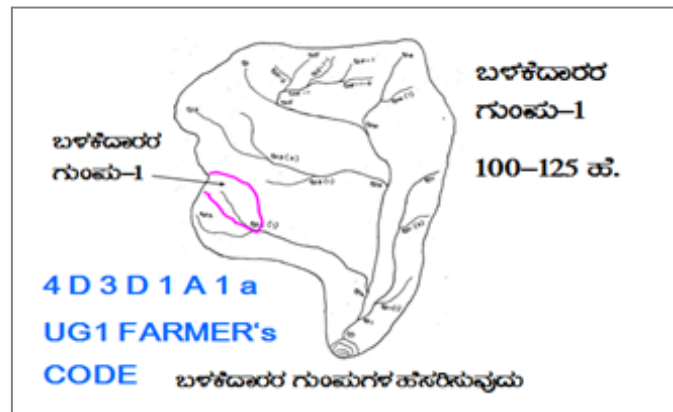
- ❖ **Available Iron:** An area of 273 ha (40%) is deficient (>4.5 ppm) and 294 ha (43%) is sufficient (>4.5 ppm) in available iron in the microwatershed. To manage iron deficiency, iron sulphate@25 kg/ha needs to be applied for 2-3 years in the deficient areas.
- ❖ **Available Manganese:** Entire area in the microwatershed is sufficient (>1.0 ppm) in available manganese.
- ❖ **Available Copper:** Entire area is sufficient (>0.2 ppm) in available copper in the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Available Zinc:** An area of 224 ha (33%) is deficient (<0.6 ppm) and 344 ha (50%) is sufficient (>0.6 ppm) in available zinc in the microwatershed. Application of zinc sulphate@25 kg/ha is recommended for zinc deficient areas.
- ❖ **Soil Acidity:** The microwatershed has 175 ha (26%) area with soils that are slightly acid. These areas need application of lime (Calcium Carbonate).
- ❖ **Soil Alkalinity:** An area of the microwatershed has 130 ha (19%) soils that are slightly 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 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 Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed, the land resource inventory database generated under Sujala-III project has been transformed as information through series of interpretative (thematic) maps using soil phase map as a base. The various thematic maps (1:7920 scale) generated were

- Soil depth
  - Surface soil texture
  - Available water capacity
  - Soil slope
  - Soil gravelliness
  - Land capability
  - Present land use and land cover
  - Crop suitability maps
  - Rainfall map
  - Hydrology
  - Water Resources
  - Socio-economic data
  - Contour plan with existing features- network of waterways, pottissa 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.

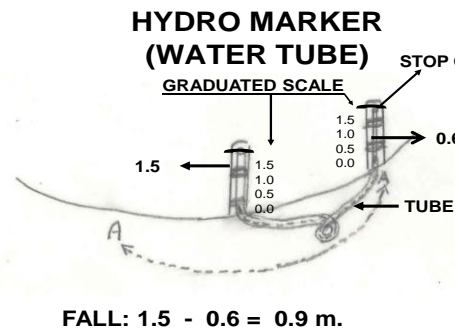
### 9.1.1 Arable Land Treatment

#### A. BUNDING

Steps for Survey and Preparation of Treatment Plan		USER GROUP-1
Cadastral map (1:7920 scale) is enlarged to a scale of 1:2500 scale		
Existing network of waterways, pottissa boundaries, grass belts, natural drainage lines/ watercourse, cut ups/ terraces are marked on the cadastral map to the scale		
Drainage lines are demarcated into		
Small gullies	(up to 5 ha catchment)	<p><b>CLASSIFICATION OF GULLIES</b></p> <p>ಕೊಳೆಕಾಲಿನ ವರ್ಗೀಕರಣ</p> <p>UPPER REACH: 15 Ha.</p> <p>MIDDLE REACH: 15+10=25 ಹೆ.</p> <p>LOWER REACH: 25 ಹೆಕ್ಟೇರ್ ಗಿಂತ ಅಧಿಕ</p> <p>POINT OF CONCENTRATION</p>
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 ( $bg_0 \dots b$ = loamy sand,  $g_0 = <15\%$  gravel). The recommended sections for different soils are given below.

#### Recommended Bund Section

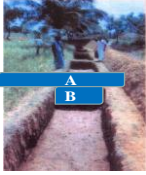
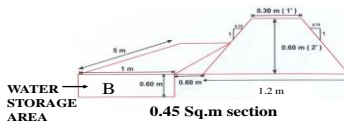
Top width (m)	Base width (m)	Height (m)	Side slope (Z:1;H:V)	Cross section (sq m)	Soil Texture	Remarks
0.3	0.9	0.3	01:01	0.18	Sandy loam	Vegetative bund
0.3	1.2	0.3	1.5:1	0.225	Sandy clay	
0.3	1.2	0.5	0.9:1	0.375	Red gravelly soils	
0.3	1.2	0.6	0.75:1	0.45		
0.3	1.5	0.6	01:01	0.54	Red sandy loam	
0.3	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**

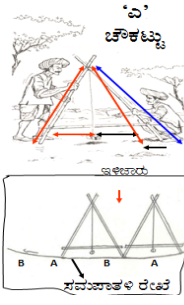



WATER STORAGE AREA

0.45 Sq.m section

IDEAL FOR HORTICULTURE CROPS

**'A' FRAME FOR INTERBUND MANAGEMENT**



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1. ಸಮಸಾಕಳಿ ಉಳುವು
2. ಸಮಸಾಕಳಿ ಬಿತ್ತನೆ/ನಾಟಿ

ಸಮಸಾಕಳಿ ರೀತಿ

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

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

### B. Waterways

- a) Existing waterways are marked on the cadastral map (1:7920 scale) and their dimensions are recorded.
- b) Considering the contour plan of the MWS, additional waterways/ modernization of the existing ones can be thought of.
- c) 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.

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

- a) The cadastral map has to be updated as regards the network of drainage lines (gullies/*nalas/hallas*) and existing structures are marked to the scale and storage capacity of the existing water bodies are documented.
- b) The drainage line will be demarcated into Upper Reach, Middle Reach and Lower Reach.
- c) Considering the Catchment, *Nala* bed and bank conditions, suitable structures are decided.
- d) Number of storage structures (Check dam/ *Nala* bund/ Percolation tank) will be decided considering the commitments and available runoff in water budgeting and quality of water in the wells and site suitability.
- e) Detailed 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. Maximum area of about 539 ha (79%) requires Trench cum Bunding, an area of about 9 ha (1%) requires Graded Bunding and 20 ha (3%) requires Strengthening of existing bunds in the microwatershed. The conservation plan prepared may be presented to all the stakeholders including farmers and after including their suggestions, the conservation plan for the microwatershed may be finalised in a participatory approach.

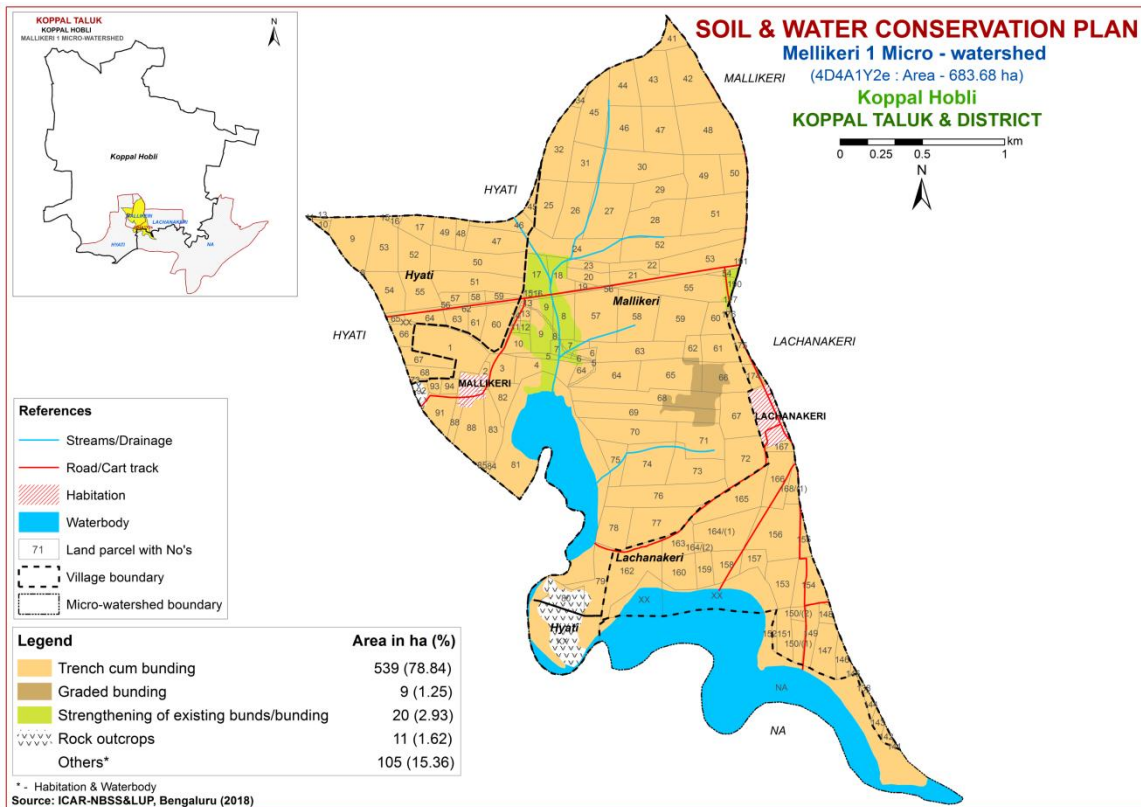


Fig. 9.1 Soil and Water Conservation Plan map of Mellikeri-1 Microwatershed

### 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 for growing annual and perennial crops. The method of planting these trees is given below.

It is recommended to open the pits during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of March along the contour and heap the dug out soil on the lower side of the slope in order to harness the flowing water and facilitate weathering of soil in the pit. Exposure of soil in the pit also prevents spread of pests and diseases due to scorching sun rays. The pits should be filled with mixture of soil and organic manure during the second week of April and keep ready with sufficiently tall seedlings produced either in poly bags or in root trainer nurseries so that planting can be done during the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April depending on the rainfall.

The tree species suitable for the area considering rainfall, temperature and adaptability is listed below; waterlogged areas are recommended to be planted with species like Neral (*Syzizium cumini*) and Bamboo. Dry areas are to be planted with species like Honge, Bevu, Seetaphal 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>Boswellia Serrata</i>	20 - 40	500 - 2000
13.	Nelli	<i>Emblia 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>Emblia 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**  
**Mellikeri-1 (1Y2e) Microwatershed**  
**Soil Phase Information**

Village	Survey Number	Area (ha)	Soil Phase	LMU	Soil Depth	Surface Soil Texture	Soil Gravelliness	Available Water Capacity	Slope	Soil Erosion	Current Land Use	WELLS	Land Capability	Conservation Plan
Lachan akeri	138	0.18	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	141	0.11	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	142	0.54	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	143	0.82	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	144	0.67	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	145	0.29	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	146	1.73	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	147	4.24	BPRcB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	148	0.98	BPRcB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Maize (Sc+Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	149	2.69	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	150/(1)	1.8	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	150/(2)	0.78	BPRcB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	151	2.74	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	152	0.59	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	153	4.41	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Maize (Sc+Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	154	4.73	BPRcB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	155	1.29	BPRcB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy+Maize (Pd+Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	156	8.81	BPRhB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Maize (Sc+Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	157	1.95	BPRhB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	158	3.08	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	1 Borewell	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	159	2.22	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachan akeri	160	4.02	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding

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Lachanakeri	162	8.96	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Maize (Sc+Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	163	3.14	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	164/(1)	6.95	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy+Sugarcane (Pd+Sc)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	164/(2)	0.32	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy+Sugarcane (Pd+Sc)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	165	6.83	BPRhB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	166	5.05	BPRhB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	167	0.9	BPRhB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	168/(1)	1.47	BPRcB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	174	1.12	CKMiB1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	175	1.36	CKMiB1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	176	0.15	KMHhB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Lachanakeri	177	0.01	CKMiA1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Lachanakeri	190	0.03	CKMiA1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Lachanakeri	191	0.01	BPRhB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	1	8.55	MKHhB1g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow+Maize (Cf+Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	2	0.55	JDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	3	2.79	KGHhB2g1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Paddy (Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	4	4.06	JDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land+Maize+Paddy (Fl+Mz+Pd)	1 Borewell	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	5	1.28	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallikeri	6	0.84	KGHhB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallikeri	7	1.7	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallikeri	8	3.48	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallikeri	9	4.17	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Fallow land+Sugarcane (Fl+Sc)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallikeri	10	1.87	JDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	1 Borewell	Iles	Trench cum bunding

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Mallike ri	11	0.39	LKRcB2 g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	12	0.49	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	13	0.71	LKRcB2 g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	14	0.19	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	15	0.16	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	16	0.14	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	17	3.41	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	18	2.75	KGHcA1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	19	0.39	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	20	2.02	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	21	2.01	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	22	1.89	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	23	1.5	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	24	7.6	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Fallow land+Redgram (Bn+Fl+Rg)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	25	5	KMHIB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	26	6.02	HDHhB2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Pearl millet+Redgram (Bn+Pm+Rg)	2 Borewell	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	27	8.09	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	28	6.95	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	29	5	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	30	8.85	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Redgram (Pm+Rg)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	31	4.23	HDHhB2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Redgram (Pm+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	32	6.67	KGHcB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	34	0.58	KGHcB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram+Maize (Rg+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding

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Mallike ri	41	2.01	TDHiB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram+Maize (Rg+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	42	7.7	TDHiB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow+Pearl millet (Cf+Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	43	6.61	TDHiB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Foxtailmillets (Fxm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	44	4.45	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	45	6.77	KGHcB1	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Seasamum+Pearl millet (Sm+Pm)	1 Borewell	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	46	5.9	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Redgram (Pm+Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	47	6.3	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Redgram (Pm+Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	48	10.8	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Pearl millet+Redgram (Mz+Pm+Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	49	5.73	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	50	3.62	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Maize (Bn+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	51	8.51	BPRhB2 g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	4 Borewell	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	52	8.25	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Maize (Pm+Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	53	6.38	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Chilli+Maize (Ch+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	54	0.59	CKMiA1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	55	7.34	HDHhB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Pearl millet (Mz+Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	56	0.02	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	57	8.14	KGHhB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Redgram (Mz+Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	58	7.35	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Redgram (Mz+Rg)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	59	7.16	NGPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	60	2.9	KMHhB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet+Maize (Pm+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	61	3.59	CKMiB1	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	62	1.62	KMHhB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pearl millet (Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	63	6.28	HDHcB2 g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Pearl millet (Mz+Pm)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	64	6.26	GDPPhB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Current fallow+Maize (Cf+Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	Trench cum bunding



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Mallike ri	65	7.03	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut+Maize+Red gram (Gn+Mz+Rg)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	66	5.02	HNHhB2g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ilew	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	67	5.56	HDHhB2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	68	8.36	HNHhB2g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Maize (Bn+Mz)	3 Borewell	Ilew	Graded bunding
Mallike ri	69	8.32	GDPcB2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	70	7.36	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	71	5.76	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	72	6.15	BPRhB2g1	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	73	5.65	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	74	7.26	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	75	3.12	KGHhB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	76	9.37	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	1 Borewell	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	77	6.96	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	78	4.59	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana (Bn)	1 Borewell	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	79	5.08	HDHcB2g1	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Paddy (Mz+Pd)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	80	3.47	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	RO	RO
Mallike ri	81	44.53	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Waterbody	Not Available	Others	Others
Mallike ri	82	2.65	JDGcB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	83	3.5	BSRhB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	84	0.22	BSRhB2	LMU-1	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	85	0.26	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	88	7.25	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Maize (Bn+Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	91	3.63	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	92	0.99	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	RO	RO

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Mallike ri	93	0.74	RTRcB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Mallike ri	94	0.95	LKRcB2 g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Iles	Trench cum bunding
NA	NA	73.76	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Waterbody	Not Available	Others	Others
Hyati	6	0.07	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram+Maize (Rg+Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	9	6.44	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Banana (Mz+Bn)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	10	0.53	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Bajra (Mz+Bj)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	11	0.05	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	13	0.21	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Groundnut+Redgram+Banana (Gn+Rg+Bn)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	15	0.04	KMHhB 1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram+Bajra+Banana (Rg+Bj+Bn)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	16	0.43	KMHhB 1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	17	2.74	KMHhB 1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Groundnut+Fallow land+Redgram (Gn+Fl+Rg)	1 Borewell	IIs	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	45	1.16	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	46	2.33	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana+Sugarcane+Drumstick (Bn+Sc+Ds)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	47	5.36	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane (Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	48	1.23	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Sugarcane (Mz+Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	49	2.47	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Fallow land+Bajra (Sc+Fl+Bj)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	50	7.76	KMHiB2	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Medium (101-150 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Current fallow (Sc+Cf)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	51	6.52	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Banana (Sc+Bn)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	52	4.42	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	53	5.35	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	54	4.42	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Sugarcane (Mz+Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	55	4.28	NGPcB2 g2	LMU-2	Deep (100-150 cm)	Sandy loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIles	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	56	0.06	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	57	1.29	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding

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Hyati	58	0.65	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	59	0.83	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	1 Borewell	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	60	4.22	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Sugarcane (Mz+Sc)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	61	1.76	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	62	0.02	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana (Bn)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	63	1.71	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana (Bn)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	64	1.65	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Banana (Bn)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	65	0.39	RTRiB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	High (151-200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	Ile	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	66	1.63	MKHhB 1g2	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Sugarcane+Maize+Fallow land (Sc+Mz+Fl)	Not Available	IIes	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	67	2.6	LKRcB2 g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Redgram (Mz+Rg)	Not Available	IIes	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	68	1.99	LKRcB2 g1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Maize+Current fallow (Sc+Mz+Cf)	Not Available	IIes	Trench cum bunding
Hyati	73	0.21	MKHhB 1g2	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize+Redgram (Mz+Rg)	Not Available	IIes	Trench cum 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
		(pH 7.3 - 7.8)	(<2 dsm)	- 0.75 %)	kg/ha)	kg/ha)	ppm)	1.0 ppm)	4.5 ppm)	1.0 ppm)	0.2 ppm)	0.6 ppm)
Hyati	61	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	62	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	63	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	64	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	65	Neutral (pH 6.5 - 7.3)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	66	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 57 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (<10 ppm)	Medium (0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.2 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Hyati	67	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 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)
Hyati	68	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 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)
Hyati	73	Slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 - 7.8)	Non saline (<2 dsm)	High (> 0.75 %)	High (> 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)



**Appendix III**  
**Mellikeri-1 (1Y2e) Microwatershed**  
**Soil Suitability Information**

Village	Survey Number	Mango	Maize	Sapota	Sorghum	Gnava	Cotton	Tamarind	Lime	Bengal gram	Sunflower	Red gram	Amla	Jackfruit	Custard-apple	Cashew	Jamun	Musambi	Groundnut	Chilly	Tomato	Marigold	Chrysanthemum	Pomegranate	Bajra	Jasmine	Bhendi	Brinjal	Crossandra	Drumstick	Mulberry	Onion	
Lachanakeri	138	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	141	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	142	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	143	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	144	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	145	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	146	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	147	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	148	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	149	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	150/(1)	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	150/(2)	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	151	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	152	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	153	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Lachanakeri	154	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	155	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	156	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	157	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Lachanakeri	158	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g
Lachanakeri	159	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g
Lachanakeri	160	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g
Lachanakeri	162	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g
Lachanakeri	163	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g









Village	Survey Number	Mango	Maize	Sapota	Sorghum	Guava	Cotton	Tamarind	Lime	Bengal gram	Sunflower	Red gram	Amla	Jackfruit	Custard-apple	Cashew	Jamun	Musambi	Groundnut	Chilly	Tomato	Marigold	Chrysanthemum	Pomegranate	Bajra	Jasmine	Bhendi	Brinjal	Crossandra	Drumstick	Mulberry	Onion	
Mallikeri	76	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	77	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	78	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	79	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	
Mallikeri	80	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0
Mallikeri	81	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Mallikeri	82	S2r	S2t	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S2t	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S2t
Mallikeri	83	S3r	S1	S2r	S1	S2r	S2rt	S3r	S2r	S2t	S2r	S2r	S1	S2r	S1	S1	S3r	S2r	S2t	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S2t	S2r	S2r	S2t	
Mallikeri	84	S3r	S1	S2r	S1	S2r	S2rt	S3r	S2r	S2t	S2r	S2r	S1	S2r	S1	S1	S3r	S2r	S2t	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S2t	S2r	S2r	S2t	
Mallikeri	85	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	88	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	91	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	92	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0	R0
Mallikeri	93	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t	
Mallikeri	94	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	N1rg	S3rg	S2rt	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	
NA	NA	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Hyati	6	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Hyati	9	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Hyati	10	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Hyati	11	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Hyati	13	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g	
Hyati	15	S2rg	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2t	S2rg	S2g	S2gt	S2g	S2g	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S2rg	S2g	S2t	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S1	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	16	S2rg	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2t	S2rg	S2g	S2gt	S2g	S2g	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S2rg	S2g	S2t	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S1	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	17	S2rg	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2t	S2rg	S2g	S2gt	S2g	S2g	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S2rg	S2g	S2t	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S2g	S1	S1	S2g	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	45	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	46	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	47	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	

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Hyati	48	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	49	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	50	S2r	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2r	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	
Hyati	51	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	52	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g
Hyati	53	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g
Hyati	54	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	55	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3rg	S3g	S2g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2g	S2g
Hyati	56	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	57	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
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Hyati	59	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	60	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	61	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	62	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	63	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	64	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	65	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S1	S2t	S2t	S1	S1	S1	S2t
Hyati	66	N1r	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	N1r	S3rg	S2rt	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g
Hyati	67	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	N1rg	S3rg	S2rt	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3rg	S3g
Hyati	68	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	N1rg	S3rg	S2rt	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3rg	S3rg	S3g
Hyati	73	N1r	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	N1r	S3rg	S2rt	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S2rg	S3rg	S2rg	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3g

# **PART-B**

**SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS OF FARM HOUSEHOLDS**



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**FINDINGS OF THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC SURVEY**

- ❖ *The survey was conducted in Mellikeri-1 is located at North latitude 15<sup>0</sup> 17' 30.116" and 15<sup>0</sup> 14' 43.018" and East longitude 76<sup>0</sup> 12' 24.623" and 75<sup>0</sup> 10' 25.943" covering an area of about 683.93 ha coming under Mallikeri, Hyati and Lachananakeri villages of Koppal taluk.*
- ❖ *Socio-economic analysis of Mellikeri-1 micro watersheds of Chukkanakallu sub-watershed, Koppal taluk & District indicated that, out of the total sample of 35 total respondents, 6 (17.14 %) were marginal, 12 (34.29%) were small, 5 (14.29 %) were Semi medium and 6 (17.14 %) were medium farmers.*
- ❖ *The population characteristics of households indicated that, there were 86 (56.21%) men and 67 (43.79 %) were women.*
- ❖ *Majority of the respondents (46.41%) were in the age group of 16-35 years.*
- ❖ *Education level of the sample households indicated that, there were 32.03 per cent illiterates, 28.10 per cent of them had primary school education, 7.19 per cent middle school education, and 10.46 per cent high school education, 10.46 per cent of them had PUC education, 7.84 per cent attained graduation and 0.65 them had other education*
- ❖ *About, 91.43 per cent of household heads practicing agriculture and 8.57 per cent of the household heads were engaged as agricultural labourers.*
- ❖ *Agriculture was the major occupation for 24.18 per cent of the household members.*
- ❖ *In the study area, 68.57 per cent of the households possess katcha house and 25.71 per cent possess pucca house.*
- ❖ *The durable assets owned by the households showed that, 71.43 per cent possess TV, 74.29 per cent possess mixer grinder, 88.57 per cent possess mobile phones and 42.86 per cent possess motor cycles.*
- ❖ *Farm implements owned by the households indicated that, 54.29 per cent of the households possess plough, 2.86 per cent possess tractor, 20.00 per cent possess bullock cart and 22.86 per cent possess sprayer.*
- ❖ *Regarding livestock possession by the households, 22.86 per cent possess local cow and 5.71 per cent possess buffalo.*
- ❖ *The average labour availability in the study area showed that, own men and women labour availability in the micro watershed was 19.63 each, while the hired labour (men) availability was 1.43.*
- ❖ *Further, 91.43 per cent of the households opined that hired labour was inadequate during the agricultural season.*
- ❖ *Out of the total land holding of the sample respondents 30.12 per cent (37.69 ha) of the area is under dry condition and the remaining 69.88 per cent area is irrigated land.*

- ❖ *There were 18.00 live bore wells and 11.00 dry bore wells among the sampled households.*
- ❖ *Bore/open well was the major source of irrigation for 42.9 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *The major crops grown by sample farmers are Maize, Sugarcane, Groundnut, Bajra Paddy, jowar, Bengal gram, Groundnut, Pearl millet, Tomato and Cowpea and cropping intensity was recorded as 99.78 per cent.*
- ❖ *Out of the sample households 62.86 percent possessed bank account and 62.86 per cent of them have savings in the account.*
- ❖ *About 62.86 per cent of the respondents borrowed credit from various sources.*
- ❖ *Among the credit borrowed by households, 4.55 per cent have borrowed loan from co-operative/Grameena bank.*
- ❖ *Majority of the respondents (100.00%) have borrowed loan for agriculture purpose.*
- ❖ *Regarding the opinion on institutional sources of credit, 100.00 per cent of the households opined that credit helped to perform timely agricultural operations.*
- ❖ *The per hectare cost of cultivation for Maize, Sugarcane, Groundnut, Bajra and Paddy was Rs.30087.78, 47101.20, 44476.04, 27631.24 and 14979.63 with benefit cost ratio of 1:1.30, 1: 5.50, 1: 1.50, 1: 1.40 and 1:1.30 respectively.*
- ❖ *Further, 25.71 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 14.29 per cent of the households have opined that the green fodder was adequate.*
- ❖ *The average annual gross income of the farmers was Rs. 109542.86 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 81785.71 comes from agriculture.*
- ❖ *Sampled households have grown 51 horticulture trees and 60 forestry trees together in the fields and back yards.*
- ❖ *Households have an average investment capacity of Rs. 485.71 for land development.*
- ❖ *Source of funds for additional investment is concerned, 2.86 per cent depends on own funds and 2.86 per cent depends on bank loan for land development activities.*
- ❖ *Regarding marketing channels, 28.57 per cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants, while, 42.86 per cent have sold in regulated markets.*
- ❖ *Further, 74.29 per cent of the households have used tractor for the transport of agriculture commodity.*
- ❖ *Majority of the farmers (62.86%) have experienced soil and water erosion problems in the watershed and 62.86 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.*
- ❖ *Fire was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 85.71 per cent of the households and 11.43 per cent households has LPG connection.*

- ❖ *Piped supply was the major source for drinking water for 80.00 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *Electricity was the major source of light for 97.14 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *In the study area, 65.71 per cent of the households possess toilet facility.*
- ❖ *Regarding possession of PDS card, 94.29 per cent of the households possessed BPL card, 2.86 per cent of the household's possessed APL card.*
- ❖ *Households opined that, the requirement of cereals (91.43%), pulses (74.29%) and oilseeds (14.29%) are adequate for consumption.*
- ❖ *Farming constraints experienced by households in the micro watersheds were lower fertility status of the soil (62.86%) wild animal menace on farm field (71.43%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (34.29%), inadequacy of irrigation water (11.43%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (22.86%), high rate of interest on credit (14.29%), low price for the agricultural commodities (11.43%), lack of marketing facilities in the area (25.71%), inadequate extension services (17.14%), lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (25.71%), Less rainfall (51.43%) and Source of Agri-technology information (Newspaper/ TV/Mobile) (45.71%).*



## **INTRODUCTION**

Soil and water are the two precious natural resources which are essential for crop production and existence of life on earth. Rainfed agriculture is under severe stress due to various constraints related to agriculture like uneven and erratic distribution of rainfall, indiscriminate use of fertilizers, chemicals and pesticides, adoption of improper land management practices, soil erosion, decline in soil fertility, decline in ground water resources leading to low crop productivity. The area under rainfed agriculture has to be managed effectively using the best available practices to enhance the production of food, fodder and fuel. This is possible if the land resources are characterized at each parcel of land through detailed land resource inventory using the best available techniques of remote sensing, GPS and GIS. The watershed development programs are aimed at the sustainable distribution of its resources and the process of creating and implementing plans, programs, and projects to sustain and enhance watershed functions that affect the plant, animal and human communities within a watershed boundary.

World Bank funded KWDP II, SUJALA III project was implemented in with Broad objective of demonstrating more effective watershed management through greater integration of programmes related to rain-fed agriculture, innovative and science based approaches and strengthen institutional capacities and If successful, it is expected that the systems and tools could be mainstreamed into the overall IWMP in the State of Karnataka and in time, throughout other IWMP operations in India. With this background the socio-economic survey has been carried out with following specific objectives:

1. To understand the demographic features of the households in the micro-watershed
2. To understand the extent of family labour available and additional employment opportunities available within the village.
3. To know the status of assets of households in the micro-watershed for suggesting possible improvements.
4. To study the cropping pattern, cropped area and productivity levels of different households in micro-watershed.
5. To determine the type and extent of livestock owned by different categories of HHs
6. Availability of fodder and level of livestock management.

### **Scope and importance of survey**

Survey helps in identification of different socio-economic and resource use-patterns of farmers at the Micro watershed. Household survey provides demographic features, labour force, and levels of education; land ownership and asset position (including livestock and other household assets) of surveyed households; and cropping patterns, input intensities, and average crop yields from farmers' fields. It also discusses crop utilization and the degree of commercialization of production in the areas; farmers' access to and utilization of credit from formal and informal sources; and the level of adoption and use of soil, water, and pest management technologies.



## METHODOLOGY

The description of the methods, components selected for the survey and procedures followed in conducting the baseline survey are furnished under the following heads.

### **1. Description of the study area**

Koppal district is an administrative district in the state of Karnataka in India. In the past Koppal was referred to as 'Kopana Nagara'. Koppal, now a district headquarters is ancient Kopana a major holy place of the Jainas. The district occupies an area of 7,190 km<sup>2</sup> and has a population of 1,196,089, which 16.58% were urban as of 2001. The Koppal district was formed after split of Raichur district.

Geographers are very particular about the physiography or relief of a region. It plays a very important role in the spatial analysis of agricultural situation of the study area. The undulating topography with black cotton soil shrips, cut across by numerous nalas or streams is the major characteristic feature of the study region. Three physiographic divisions have made considering the local conditions of landforms and crops grown in the district. On the basis of physiography, Koppal district can be divided into three major divisions. They are (a) Koppal & Yelburga plateau, (b) Maidan division, (c) Tungabhadra valley. The district is part of Krishna basin the main streams draining the area are Maskinala, Ilkal-nadi and Hirenala. These are Ephemeral in nature, these come under Tungabhadra sub-basin. The drainage exhibit dentritic to subdentritic with drainage density varies from 1.4 to 7.0kms/sq.km.

According to the 2011 census Koppal district has a population of 1,391,292, roughly equal to the nation of Swaziland or the US state of Hawaii. This gives it a ranking of 350th in India (out of a total of 640). The district has a population density of 250 inhabitants per square kilometre (650/sq mi). Its population growth rate over the decade 2001-2011 was 16.32%. Koppal has a sex ratio of 983 females for every 1000 males, and a literacy rate of 67.28%.

### **2. Locale of the survey and description of the micro-watershed and**

The study was conducted in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed (Chukkanakallu sub-watershed, Koppal taluk & District) is located at North latitude 15<sup>0</sup> 17' 30.116" and 15<sup>0</sup> 14' 43.018" and East longitude 76<sup>0</sup> 12' 24.623" and 75<sup>0</sup> 10' 25.943" covering an area of about 683.93 ha bounded by under Mallikeri, Hyati and Lachananakeri Villages.

### **3. Selection of the respondents for the study**

The micro-watershed is marked with 320 square meters grids. One farmer from every alternate grid in the micro-watershed was selected for the study and interviewed for socio-economic data. Totally 35 households were interviewed for the survey.

#### **4. The parameters considered for socio-economic survey of households**

Two forms of data were collected from the micro-watershed which includes primary data from the farm households and secondary data about the villages under the micro-watershed jurisdiction.

The following parameters were considered for the primary data collection about the socio-economic data of the households, (1) Demographic information, (2) Farm and durable assets owned by households, (3) Livestock possession, (4) Labour availability, (5) Level of migration in the village, Land holding, (7) Cropping pattern, (8) Source of irrigation, (9) Borrowing status, (10) Cost of cultivation of major crops, (11) Economics of subsidiary activities, (12) Fodder availability, (13) Family annual income from different sources, (14) Horticulture and forestry species grown, (15) Additional investment capacity, (16) Marketing practices, (17) Status of soil and water conservation structure, (18) Access to basic needs and (19) Constraints and suggestion.

The following parameters were considered for the secondary data regarding the villages under the micro-watershed jurisdiction, (1) Number of villages in each micro-watershed jurisdiction, (2) Village wise number of households, (3) Geographical area of the villages, (4) Cultivable area including rainfed and irrigated, (5) Number and type of house in each village, (6) Human and livestock population, (7) Facilities in the village such as roads, transport facility for conveyance, drinking water supply, street light and (8) Community based organizations in the villages.

#### **5. Development of interview schedule and data collection**

Taking into the consideration the objectives of the survey, an interview schedule was prepared after thorough consultation with the experts in the field of social sciences. A comprehensive interview schedule covering all the major parameters for measuring the socio-economic situation was developed.

#### **6. Tools used to analyze the data**

The statistical components such as frequency and percentage were used to analyze the data.

#### **Abbreviations used in the report**

LL=Landless

MF=Marginal Farmers

SF=Small farmers

SMF=Semi medium farmers

MDF=Medium farmers

LF=Large Farmers



## FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY

This chapter deals with systematic presentation of results of the survey. Keeping in view the objectives, the salient features of the survey are presented under the following headings.

**Households sampled for socio-economic survey:** The data on households sampled for socio economic survey in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 1 and it indicated that 35 farmers were sampled in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed among households surveyed 6 (17.14%) were marginal, 12(34.29%) were small, 5 (14.29 %) were semi medium and 6 (17.14 %) were medium farmers. 6 landless farmers were also interviewed for the survey.

**Table 1. Households sampled for socio economic survey in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Farmers	6	17.1	6	17.1	12	34.3	5	14.3	6	17.1	35	100

**Population characteristics:** The population characteristics of households sampled for socio-economic survey in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 2. The data indicated that, there were 86 (56.21%) men and 67 (43.79%) were women. The average family size in the micro-watershed was 4.4.

**Table 2. Population characteristics in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (29)		MF (28)		SF (47)		SMF (22)		MDF (27)		All (153)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Men	18	62.1	13	46	26	55	14	63.6	15	55.6	86	56.2
2	Women	11	37.9	15	54	21	45	8	36.4	12	44.4	67	43.8
	Total	29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100
	Average	4.8		4.7		3.9		4.4		4.5		4.4	

**Age wise classification of population:** The age wise classification of household members in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 3. The indicated that, 19 (12.42%) of population were 0-15 years of age, 71 (46.41%) were 16-35 years of age, 47(30.72%) were 36-60 years of age and 16 (10.46 %) were above 61 years of age.

**Table 3: Age wise classification of members of the household in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (29)		MF (28)		SF (47)		SMF (22)		MDF (27)		All (153)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	0-15 years of age	2	6.9	9	32.1	6	12.8	0	0	2	7.4	19	12.42
2	16-35 years of age	15	51.7	10	35.7	24	51.1	9	40.91	13	48	71	46.41
3	36-60 years of age	11	37.9	6	21.4	11	23.4	8	36.36	11	41	47	30.72
4	> 61 years	1	3.45	3	10.7	6	12.8	5	22.73	1	3.7	16	10.46
	Total	29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100

**Education level of household members:** Education level of household members in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 4. The results indicated that, there

were 32.03 per cent of illiterates, 28.10 per cent of them had primary school education, 7.19 per cent middle school education, and 10.46 per cent high school education, 10.46 per cent of them had PUC education, 7.84 per cent attained graduation and 0.65 them had other education.

**Table 4. Education level of members of the household in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (29)		MF (28)		SF (47)		SMF (22)		MDF (27)		All (153)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Illiterate	12	41.4	7	25	17	36.2	7	31.8	6	22.22	49	32
2	Primary School	6	20.7	13	46.4	16	34	3	13.6	5	18.52	43	28.1
3	Middle School	1	3.45	2	7.14	1	2.13	3	13.6	4	14.81	11	7.19
4	High School	5	17.2	3	10.7	2	4.26	3	13.6	3	11.11	16	10.5
5	PUC	3	10.3	2	7.14	7	14.9	2	9.09	2	7.41	16	10.5
6	ITI	1	3.45	0	0	2	4.26	1	4.55	1	3.7	5	3.27
7	Degree	1	3.45	0	0	2	4.26	3	13.6	6	22.22	12	7.84
8	Others	0	0	1	3.57	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.65
Total		29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100

**Occupation of head of households:** The data regarding the occupation of the household heads in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 5. The results indicate that, 91.43 per cent of households heads were practicing agriculture, 8.57 per cent of the household heads were agricultural Labour.

**Table 5: Occupation of heads of households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture	4	67	6	100	11	91.67	5	100	6	100	32	91.43
2	Agricultural Labour	2	33	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	0	0	3	8.57
Total		6	100	6	100	12	100	5	100	6	100	35	100

**Occupation of the members of the household:** The data regarding the occupation of the household members in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 6. The results indicate that, agriculture was the major occupation for 24.18 per cent of the household members, 55.56 per cent were agricultural labour and 16.34 per cent were working in pursuing education.

**Table 6: Occupation of members of the household in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (29)		MF (28)		SF (47)		SMF (22)		MDF (27)		All (153)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture	4	13.8	7	25	14	29.79	6	27.27	6	22	37	24.2
2	Agricultural Labour	22	75.9	12	42.9	24	51.06	14	63.64	13	48	85	55.6
3	Private Service	1	3.45	0	0	1	2.13	2	9.09	2	7.4	6	3.92
4	Student	2	6.9	9	32.1	8	17.02	0	0	6	22	25	16.3
Total		29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100

**Institutional Participation of household members:** The data regarding the institutional participation of the household members in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in

Table 7. The results show that, were not found of households member is participating in any of the institutions.

**Table 7: Institutional Participation of household member in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (29)		MF (28)		SF (47)		SMF (22)		MDF (27)		All (153)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	No Participation	29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100
	Total	29	100	28	100	47	100	22	100	27	100	153	100

**Type of house owned:** The data regarding the type of house owned by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 8. The results indicate that 68.57 per cent of the households possess katcha house, 25.71 per cent possess pacca house and 2.86 percent possess semi pacca house.

**Table 8. Type of house owned by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Katcha	6	100	6	100	7	58.33	1	20	4	67	24	68.57
2	Pucca/RCC	0	0	0	0	4	33.33	3	60	2	33	9	25.71
3	Semi pacca	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	0	1	2.86
	Total	6	100	6	100	11	100	5	100	6	100	34	100

**Durable assets owned by the households:** The data regarding the Durable Assets owned by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 9. The results shows that, 71.43 per cent possess TV, 74.29 per cent possess mixer grinder, 20.00 per cent possess Bicycle, 42.86 per cent possess motor cycle, 88.57 per cent possess mobile phones,

**Table 9. Durable assets owned by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Television	2	33	5	83	10	83.3	4	80	4	66.7	25	71.43
2	Mixer/Grinder	2	33	6	100	10	83.3	3	60	5	83.3	26	74.29
3	Bicycle	1	17	0	0	4	33.3	1	20	1	16.7	7	20
4	Motor Cycle	0	0	2	33	7	58.3	2	40	4	66.7	15	42.86
5	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	1	2.86
6	Car/Four Wheeler	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	2	33.3	3	8.57
7	Mobile Phone	5	83	6	100	11	91.7	4	80	5	83.3	31	88.57
8	Blank	1	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.86

**Average value of durable assets:** The data regarding the average value of durable assets owned by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 10. The result shows that, the average value of television was Rs.4920.00, mixer grinder was Rs.1819.00, bicycle was Rs.1542.00, motor cycle was Rs. 44666.00 and mobile phone was Rs.1924.00.

**Table 10. Average value of durable assets owned in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed****Average Value (Rs.)**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
1	Television	6000	5400	5100	4750	3500	4920
2	Mixer/Grinder	2000	1666	1770	1933	1960	1819
3	Bicycle	1000	0	1700	1000	2000	1542
4	Motor Cycle	0	50000	48571	40000	37500	44666
5	Auto	0	0	0	0	300000	300000
6	Car/Four Wheeler	0	0	0	500000	450000	466666
7	Mobile Phone	2200	2000	1937	1025	2444	1924

**Farm implements owned:** The data regarding the farm implements owned by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 11. About 20.00 per cent of the households possess Bullock Cart, 54.29 per cent possess plough and 8.57 per cent possess Seed/Fertilizer Drill and Sprinkler, 22.86 per cent possess Sprayer, 71.43 per cent possess Weeder and 2.86 per cent possess tractor.

**Table 11. Farm implements owned in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bullock Cart	0	0	0	0	3	25	2	40	2	33.3	7	20
2	Plough	0	0	5	83.3	7	58.33	3	60	4	66.7	19	54.29
3	Seed/Fertilizer Drill	0	0	0	0	2	16.67	0	0	1	16.7	3	8.57
4	Tractor	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	0	1	2.86
5	Sprayer	0	0	1	16.7	4	33.33	1	20	2	33.3	8	22.86
6	Weeder	3	50	6	100	9	75	4	80	3	50	25	71.43
7	Harvester	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	0	1	2.86
8	Earth remover/Duster	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	0	1	2.86
9	Blank	3	50	0	0	3	25	0	0	1	16.7	7	20

**Average value of farm implements:** The data regarding the average value of farm Implements owned by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 12. The results show that the average value of plough was Rs.2066.00, bullock Cart was Rs.20225.00, seed/fertilizer drill was Rs.2187.00, sprayer and weeder was Rs.57 and tractor was Rs. 500000.

**Table 12. Average value of farm implements in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed****Average Value (Rs.)**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
1	Bullock Cart	0	0	13933	20000	26666	20225
2	Plough	0	1752	1871	2266	2650	2066
3	Seed/Fertilizer Drill	0	0	2000	0	1200	1733
4	Tractor	0	0	0	500000	0	500000
5	Sprayer	0	1800	2375	3000	1600	2187
6	Weeder	28	85	59	40	58	57
7	Harvester	0	0	0	35000	0	35000
8	Earth remover/Duster	0	0	0	50000	0	50000

**Livestock possession by the households:** The data regarding the Livestock possession by the households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 13. The indicate that, 20.00 per cent of the households possess bullocks, 22.86 per cent possess local cow, 5.71 per cent possess buffalo and 2.86 per cent possess crossbred cow.

**Table 13. Livestock possession by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bullock	0	0	0	0	4	33.33	1	20	2	33.3	7	20
2	Local cow	0	0	2	33	3	25	1	20	2	33.3	8	22.86
3	Crossbred cow	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	0	0	1	2.86
4	Buffalo	0	0	1	17	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	2	5.71
5	blank	6	100	4	67	7	58.33	4	80	1	16.7	22	62.86

**Average Labour availability:** The data regarding the average labour availability in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 14. The indicated that, own labour men available in the micro watershed was 18.63, women available in the micro watershed was 1.00, hired labour (men) available was 1.43 and hired labour (women) available was 18.23.

**Table 14. Average labour availability in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Hired labour Female	0.17	9.5	13.83	22	53	18.63
2	Own Labour Female	0.17	1.33	1.08	1.2	1.17	1
3	Own labour Male	0.17	1.5	1.42	2.2	2	1.43
4	Hired labour Male	0.17	9.33	13.67	22	51.2	18.23

**Adequacy of hired labour:** The data regarding the adequacy of hired labour in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 15. The results indicate that, 8.57 per cent of the household opined that hired labour was adequate, 91.43 per cent of the household opined that hired labour was Inadequate.

**Table 15. Adequacy of hired labour in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Adequate	0	0	1	16.7	1	8.33	1	20	0	0	3	8.57
2	Inadequate	6	100	5	83.3	11	91.7	4	80	6	100	32	91.4

**Distribution of land (ha):** The data regarding the distribution of land (ha) in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 16. The results indicate that, 11.35 ha (30.12%) of dry land and 26.33 ha (69.88 %) of irrigated land.

**Table 16. Distribution of land (ha) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Dry	0	0	2.98	86	5.94	49.18	2.43	28.99	0	0	11.35	30.12
2	Irrigated	0	0	0.49	14	6.14	50.82	5.95	71.01	13.76	100	26.33	69.88
	Total	0	100	3.47	100	12.08	100	8.38	100	13.76	100	37.69	100

**Average value of land (ha):** The data regarding the average land value (Rs./ha) in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 17. The results show that the average value of dry land was Rs.369839.57 and the average value of irrigated land was Rs.387183.04.

**Table 17. Average value of land (ha) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Dry	0	804341.9	235558.6	164666.7	0	369839.6
2	Irrigated	0	1235000	683849.7	319251.7	254264.7	387183

**Status of bore wells:** The data regarding the status of bore wells in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 18. The results indicate that, there were 11 De-functioning bore wells and 18 functioning bore wells among the sampled households in micro watershed.

**Table 18. Status of bore wells in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		N	N	N	N	N	N
1	De-functioning	0	0	6	2	3	11
2	Functioning	0	1	3	5	10	18

**Source of irrigation:** The data regarding the source of irrigation in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 19. The results that tank were major source of irrigation for 5.71 per cent of the households and bore well for 42.9 per cent of the households.

**Table 19. Source of irrigation in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bore Well	0	0	1	16.7	3	25	5	100	6	100	15	42.9
2	Tank	0	0	0	0	2	16.67	0	0	0	0	2	5.71

**Depth of water (Avg. In meters):** The data regarding the depth of water in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 20. The results revealed that, the depth of Tank was 4.35 meter and depth of bore well was 40.16 meter.

**Table 20. Depth of water (Avg. In meters) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Bore Well	0	26.42	31.79	83.52	74.68	40.16
2	Tank	0	0	12.7	0	0	4.35

**Table 21. Irrigated Area (ha) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
1	Kharif	0	0.49	4.52	5.95	13.77	24.72
2	Rabi	0	0	0.81	0	0	0.81
Total		0	0.49	5.33	5.95	13.77	25.53

**Irrigated Area (ha):** The data regarding the irrigated area (ha) in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 21. The results indicate that, the availability of irrigation water was used for kharif crops was 24.72 ha and 0.81 ha for rabi crop.

**Cropping pattern:** The data regarding the cropping pattern in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 22. The results indicate that, farmers have grown Maize (16.47 ha), Sugarcane (6.36 ha), Groundnut (4.05 ha), Bajra (3.36 ha), paddy (1.70 ha), Jowar (1.62 ha), Bengal gram (1.21 ha), groundnut (0.81 ha), Pearl millet (0.61 ha), Tomato (0.55 ha) and Cowpea (0.47 ha).

**Table 22. Cropping pattern in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
1	Kharif - Maize	0	0.69	7.28	3.64	4.86	16.47
2	Kharif - Sugarcane	0	0.49	0	3.04	2.83	6.36
3	Kharif - Groundnut	0	0	0	0	4.05	4.05
4	Kharif - Bajra	0	1.21	2.15	0	0	3.36
5	Kharif - Paddy	0	0	0	1.7	0	1.7
6	Kharif - Jowar	0	0	1.62	0	0	1.62
7	Kharif - Bengal gram	0	0	0	0	1.21	1.21
8	Rabi - Groundnut	0	0	0.81	0	0	0.81
9	Kharif - Pearl millet	0	0.61	0	0	0	0.61
10	Kharif - Tomato	0	0	0.55	0	0	0.55
11	Kharif - Cowpea	0	0.47	0	0	0	0.47
Total		0	3.47	12.41	8.38	12.96	37.21

**Cropping intensity:** The data regarding the cropping intensity in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 23. The results indicate that, the cropping intensity was 99.78 per cent.

**Table 23. Cropping intensity (%) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
1	Cropping Intensity	0	100	106.24	100	94.12	99.78

**Possession of bank account and savings:** The data regarding the possession of bank account and saving in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 24. The results indicate that, 62.86 cent of the households posses bank account and 62.86 per cent of them have savings.

**Table 24. Possession of Bank account and savings in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Account	0	0	5	83.33	9	75	3	60	5	83.33	22	62.86
2	Savings	0	0	5	83.33	9	75	3	60	5	83.33	22	62.86

**Table 25. Borrowing status in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Credit Aailed	0	0	5	83.33	9	75	3	60	5	83	22	62.86

**Borrowing status:** The data regarding the borrowing status in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 25. The results indicate that, 62.86 percent of the sample farmers have borrowed credit from different sources.

**Source of credit:** The data regarding the source of credit availed by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 26. The results show that, 4.55 per cent have borrowed loan from Grameena Bank.

**Table 26. Source of credit borrowed by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	MF (5)		SF (9)		SMF (3)		MDF (5)		All (22)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Grameena Bank	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	1	4.55

**Avg. Credit amount:** The data regarding the avg. Credit amount in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 27. The results show that, farmers have borrowed Avg. Credit of Rs.9090.91 from different sources.

**Table 27. Avg. Credit amount in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	MF (5)		SF (9)		SMF (3)		MDF (5)		All (22)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Average Credit	0	0	0	0	0	0	40000	40000	9090.91	9090.91

**Purpose of credit borrowed (institutional Source):** The data regarding the purpose of credit borrowed - Institutional Credit in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 28. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent of the households have borrowed loan for agriculture.

**Table 28. Purpose of credit borrowed (institutional Source) by households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

SN	Particulars	MDF (1)		All (1)	
		N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture production	1	100	1	100
2	Animal husbandry	0	0	0	0

**Repayment status of household (institutional Source):** The data regarding the repayment status of credit borrowed from institutional Source by households in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 29. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent have unpaid.

**Table 29. Repayment status of household (institutional Source) in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	MDF (1)		All (1)	
		N	%	N	%
1	Un paid	1	100	1	100

**Opinion regarding institutional sources of credit:** The data regarding the opinion on institutional sources of credit in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 30. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent of the households opined that credit helped to perform timely agricultural operations.

**Table 30. Opinion regarding institutional sources of credit in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	MDF (1)		All (1)	
		N	%	N	%
1	Helped to perform timely agricultural operations	1	100	1	100



**Cost of Cultivation of Maize:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Maize in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31.a. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Maize was Rs. 30087.78. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 39773.99. The net income from Maize cultivation was Rs.9686.22, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:1.30.

**Table 31(a). Cost of Cultivation of Maize in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	Units	Phy Units	Value(Rs.)	% to C3
<b>I</b>	<b>Cost A1</b>				
1	Hired Human Labour	Man days	24.94	6348.3	21.1
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	2.5	1372.52	4.56
3	Tractor	Hours	1.65	1237.89	4.11
4	Machinery	Hours	0	0	0
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	17.49	2098.35	6.97
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	13.35	4864.77	16.17
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	3.93	2840.72	9.44
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	1.88	2304.06	7.66
10	Irrigation	Number	7.82	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	43.02	0.14
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	0	0
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			1454.15	4.83
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			22563.79	74.99
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			236.11	0.78
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			22799.9	75.78
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		17.28	4542.62	15.1
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			27342.52	90.88
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			10	0.03
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			27352.52	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			2735.25	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			30087.78	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	30.37	37070.95	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		1220.83	
	By Product	e) Main Product (q)	27.03	2703.05	
		f) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		100	
a.	Gross Income (Rs.)			39773.99	
b.	Net Income (Rs.)			9686.22	
c.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			990.86	
d.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:1.3	

**Cost of Cultivation of Sugarcane:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Sugarcane in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31.b. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Sugarcane was Rs. 47101.20. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 258980.60. The net income from Sugarcane cultivation was Rs.211879.40, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:5.50.

**Table 31(b). Cost of Cultivation of Sugarcane in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	Units	Phy Units	Value(Rs.)	% to C3
<b>I</b>	<b>Cost A1</b>				
1	Hired Human Labour	Man days	39.46	10526.17	22.35
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0.35	194.07	0.41
3	Tractor	Hours	2.97	1967.18	4.18
4	Machinery	Hours	0.15	92.63	0.2
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	2661.1	8101.01	17.2
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	5.59	2764.05	5.87
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	10.2	8034.12	17.06
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	2.05	2033.34	4.32
10	Irrigation	Number	30.23	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	1898.3	4.03
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	2.47	0.01
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			2512.5	5.33
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			38125.83	80.94
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			416.67	0.88
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			38542.5	81.83
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		15.25	4271.78	9.07
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			42814.27	90.9
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			5	0.01
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			42819.27	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			4281.93	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			47101.2	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	968.15	258980.6	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		267.5	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			258980.6	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			211879.4	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			48.65	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:5.5	

**Cost of Cultivation of Groundnut:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Groundnut in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31.c. The results indicate, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Groundnut was Rs.44476.04. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 68473.89. The net income from Groundnut cultivation was Rs. 23997.85, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:1.50.

**Table 31(c). Cost of Cultivation of Groundnut in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	Units	Phy Units	Value(Rs.)	% to C3
<b>I</b>	<b>Cost A1</b>				
1	Hired Human Labour	Man days	25.11	4964.7	11.16
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0.74	428.13	0.96
3	Tractor	Hours	3.21	2223	5
4	Machinery	Hours	0	0	0
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	144.08	14820	33.32
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	5.76	2470	5.55
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	5.1	4273.1	9.61
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	1.56	3787.33	8.52
10	Irrigation	Number	4.94	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	253.26	0.57
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	1.1	0
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			3042.93	6.84
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			36263.55	81.54
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			222.22	0.5
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			36485.78	82.03
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		16.22	3939.65	8.86
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			40425.43	90.89
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			7.33	0.02
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			40432.76	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			4043.28	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			44476.04	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	14.41	67238.89	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		4666.67	
	By Product	e) Main Product (q)	4.12	1235	
		f) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		300	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			68473.89	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			23997.85	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			3086.83	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:1.5	

**Cost of Cultivation of Bajra:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Bajra in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31.d. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Bajra was Rs. 27631.24. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs.39116.27. The net income from Bajra cultivation was Rs. 11485.03, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:1.40.

**Table 31(d). Cost of Cultivation of Bajra in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	Units	Phy Units	Value(Rs.)	% to C3
<b>I</b>	<b>Cost A1</b>				
1	Hired Human Labour	Man days	19.82	4185.18	15.15
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	2.27	1249.33	4.52
3	Tractor	Hours	3.06	2297.98	8.32
4	Machinery	Hours	0	0	0
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	13.16	1534.16	5.55
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	8.23	1646.67	5.96
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	5.97	4289.57	15.52
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	2.65	2787.57	10.09
10	Irrigation	Number	5.88	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	135.41	0.49
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	0	0
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			1232.16	4.46
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			19358.03	70.06
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			233.33	0.84
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			19591.36	70.9
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		21.57	5517.95	19.97
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			25109.31	90.87
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			10	0.04
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			25119.31	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			2511.93	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			27631.24	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	27.39	37798.94	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		1380	
b.	By Product	e) Main Product (q)	16.47	1317.33	
		f) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		80	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			39116.27	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			11485.03	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			1008.79	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:1.4	

**Cost of Cultivation of Paddy:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Paddy in Mellikeri-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31.e. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Paddy was Rs.14979.63. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 19995.24. The net income from Paddy cultivation was Rs. 5015.61, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:1.30.

**Table 31(e). Cost of Cultivation of Paddy in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	Units	Phy Units	Value(Rs.)	% to C3
<b>I</b>	<b>Cost A1</b>				
1	Hired Human Labour	Man days	15.29	3999.05	26.7
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0	0	0
3	Tractor	Hours	1.18	882.14	5.89
4	Machinery	Hours	1.18	705.71	4.71
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	14.11	705.71	4.71
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	0	0	0
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	2.35	1764.29	11.78
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs /liters	1.18	1293.81	8.64
10	Irrigation	Number	5.88	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	1.18	0.01
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	0	0
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			452.86	3.02
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			9804.75	65.45
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			333.33	2.23
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			10138.08	67.68
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		12.94	3469.76	23.16
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			13607.84	90.84
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			10	0.07
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			13617.84	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			1361.78	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			14979.63	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)		11.76	17642.86
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)			1500
	By Product	e) Main Product (q)		23.52	2352.38
		f) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)			100
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			19995.24	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			5015.61	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			1273.57	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:1.3	

**Adequacy of fodder:** The data regarding the adequacy of fodder in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 32. The results indicate that, 25.71 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 5.71 per cent of them opined dry fodder was inadequate. With respect to green fodder availability, 14.29 percent of them opined it was sufficient.

**Table 32. Adequacy of fodder in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Adequate-Dry Fodder	0	0	2	33.33	4	33.33	1	20	2	33.3	9	25.71
2	Inadequate-Dry Fodder	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	1	16.7	2	5.71
3	Adequate-Green Fodder	0	0	1	16.67	2	16.67	1	20	1	16.7	5	14.29

**Average annual gross income:** The data regarding the annual gross income in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 33. The results indicate that, the farmers have annual gross income of Rs. 109542.86 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 81785.71 is from agriculture itself.

**Table 33. Average annual gross income in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Service/salary	0	0	0	0	50000	8571.43
2	Wage	23333.3	12500	4583.33	3000	23333.3	12142.9
3	Agriculture	0	54916.7	40091.7	192800	181317	81785.7
4	Non Farm income	0	0	12500	0	0	4285.71
5	Dairy Farm	0	12250	250	0	3333.33	2757.14
Income(Rs.)		23333.3	79666.7	57425	195800	257983	109543

**Average annual Expenditure:** The data regarding the average annual expenditure in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 34. The results indicate that, the farmers have annual gross expenditure of Rs. 239616.67 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 25657.14 is from agriculture itself.

**Table 34. Average annual Expenditure in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Service/salary	0	0	0	0	4000	114.29
2	Wage	9200	5750	5333.33	2000	8000	3171.43
3	Agriculture	0	25500	17500	67000	33333.3	25657.1
4	Non Farm income	0	0	25000	0	0	1428.57
5	Dairy Farm	0	30000	2000	0	5000	1057.14
Total		9200	61250	49833.3	69000	50333.3	239617

**Table 35. Horticulture species grown in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B
1	Coconut	0	0	0	0	16	0	30	0	2	0	48	0
2	Mango	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0

\*F= Field B=Back Yard

**Horticulture species grown:** The data regarding horticulture species grown in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 35. The results indicate that, the total number of horticultural trees grown (both field and backyard) by the sampled households were coconut (48) and Mango (3).

**Forest species grown:** The data regarding forest species grown in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 36. The results indicate that, households have planted 18 teak trees, 34 neem trees, 8 acacia trees together in both field and backyard.

**Table 36. Forest species grown in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		LF (0)		All (35)	
		F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B
1	Teak	0	0	0	0	4	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	18	0
2	Neem	0	0	5	0	22	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	34	0
3	Acacia	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	0

\*F= Field B=Back Yard

**Average additional investment capacity:** The data regarding average additional investment capacity in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 37. The results indicate that, households have an average investment capacity of Rs. 485.71 for land development.

**Table 37. Average additional investment capacity of households in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)	MF (6)	SF (12)	SMF (5)	MDF (6)	All (35)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Land development	0	1666.67	583.33	0	0	485.71

**Source of funds for additional investment:** The data regarding source of funds for additional investment in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 38. The results indicate that, the sources of finance raised from bank as a loan and from own sources for land development were 2.86 and 2.86 per cent.

**Table 38. Source of funds for additional investment in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Item	Land development	
		N	%
1	Government subsidy	1	2.86
2	Soft loan	1	2.86

**Table 39. Marketing of agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Crops	Output obtained (q)	Output retained (q)	Output sold (q)	Output sold (%)	Avg. Price obtained (Rs/q)
1	Bajra	102	1	101	99	1380
2	Bengalgram	18	0	18	100	4300
3	Cow Pea	4	0	4	100	10000
4	Groundnut	65	0	65	100	4667
5	Jowar	18	0	18	100	2400
6	Maize	465	35	430	92	1221
7	Paddy	20	0	20	100	1500
8	Sugarcane	5650	50	5600	99	268

**Marketing of agricultural produce:** The data regarding marketing of the agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 39. The results indicated that, 99.02 percent of output of Bajra was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 1380.00; 100.00 percent of output of Bengal gram was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 4300.00; 100.00 percent of output of Cowpea was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 10000.00; 100.00 percent of output of Groundnut was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 4666.67 and 100.00 percent of output of Jowar was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 2400.00.

**Marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce:** The data regarding marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 40. The results indicated that, 28.57 cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants, 2.86 per per cent have sold to Agent/Traders, 42.86 per cent of regulated market and 8.57 per cent of cooperative marketing society.

**Table 40. Marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agent/Traders	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	0	0	1	2.86
2	Local/village Merchant	0	0	2	33	2	16.7	3	60	3	50	10	28.57
3	Regulated Market	0	0	3	50	9	75	0	0	3	50	15	42.86
4	Cooperative marketing Society	0	0	1	17	0	0	2	40	0	0	3	8.57

**Mode of transport of agricultural produce:** The data regarding mode of transport of agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 41. The results indicated that, 74.29 cent of the households have used tractor, 5.71 per cent carry by Truck and 2.86 per cent have used Flight for the transport of agriculture commodity.

**Table 41. Mode of transport of agricultural produce in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Tractor	0	0	5	83	12	100	4	80	5	83.3	26	74.29
2	Truck	0	0	1	17	0	0	1	20	0	0	2	5.71
3	Flight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	1	2.86

**Table 42. Incidence of soil and water erosion problems in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Soil and water erosion problems in the farm	0	0	5	83	9	75	3	60	5	83.3	22	62.86

**Incidence of soil and water erosion problems:** The data regarding incidence of incidence of soil and water erosion problems in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 42. The results indicate that, 62.86 per cent of the households have experienced soil and water erosion problems.



**Interest towards soil testing:** The data regarding Interest shown towards soil testing in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 43. The results indicated that, 62.86 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.

**Table 43. Interest regarding soil testing in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Interest in soil test	0	0	5	83	9	75	3	60	5	83.3	22	62.86

**Usage pattern of fuel for domestic use:** The data on usage pattern of fuel for domestic use in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 44. The results indicated that, firewood was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 85.71 per cent of the households followed by LPG (11.43 %).

**Table 44. Usage pattern of fuel for domestic use in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Fire Wood	5	83.33	6	100.00	11	91.67	3	60.00	5	83.33	30	85.71
2	LPG	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.33	2	40.00	1	16.67	4	11.43

**Source of drinking water:** The data on source of drinking water in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 45. The results indicated that, piped supply of water was the major source for drinking water for 80 per cent of the households followed by bore well water (17.14%).

**Table 45. Source of drinking water in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Piped supply	5	83.33	6	100	9	75	3	60	5	83.3	28	80
2	Bore Well	0	0	0	0	3	25	2	40	1	16.7	6	17.14

**Source of light:** The data on source of light in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 46. The results indicated that, electricity was the major source of light for 97.14 per cent of the households.

**Table 46. Source of light in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Electricity	5	83.3	6	100	12	100	5	100	6	100	34	97.1

**Existence of sanitary toilet facility:** The data on availability of toilet facility in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 47. The results indicated that, 65.71 per cent of the households possess toilets.

**Table 47. Existence of sanitary toilet facility in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Sanitary toilet facility	5	83.3	6	100	1	8.33	5	100	6	100	23	65.7

**Possession of PDS card:** The data regarding possession of PDS card in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 48. The results indicated that, 94.29 per cent of the households possessed BPL card and 2.86 per cent possessed APL card.

**Table 48. Possession of PDS card in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	APL	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	0	0	1	2.86
2	BPL	5	83.3	6	100	11	91.67	5	100	6	100	33	94.29

**Participation in NREGA programme:** The data regarding Participation in NREGA programme in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 49. The results indicated that, only 25.71 percent of the participate have participated in NREGA programme.

**Table 49. Participation in NREGA programme in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Participation in NREGA programme	1	16.7	1	16.7	4	33.3	1	20	2	33	9	25.7

**Adequacy of food items:** The data regarding adequacy of food items in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 50. The results indicated that, the extent of adequacy of food items for cereals, pulses, Oilseeds and vegetables were 91.43, 74.29, 14.29, 11.43 per cent respectively, similarly for Fruits (17.14%), milk (25.71%), Egg (2.86%) and Meat (8.57%).

**Table 50. Adequacy of food items in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cereals	4	66.7	6	100	11	91.67	5	100	6	100	32	91.43
2	Pulses	4	66.7	6	100	9	75	2	40	5	83.33	26	74.29
3	Oilseed	0	0	0	0	3	25	1	20	1	16.67	5	14.29
4	Vegetables	1	16.7	1	16.7	1	8.33	1	20	0	0	4	11.43
5	Fruits	0	0	3	50	1	8.33	1	20	1	16.67	6	17.14
6	Milk	0	0	1	16.7	3	25	2	40	3	50	9	25.71
7	Egg	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	0	0	1	2.86
8	Meat	0	0	1	16.7	1	8.33	0	0	1	16.67	3	8.57

**Table 51. Inadequacy of food items in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cereals	2	33.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.71
2	Pulses	2	33.3	0	0	2	16.67	3	60	1	16.67	8	22.86
3	Oilseed	5	83.3	6	100	6	50	3	60	4	66.67	24	68.57
4	Vegetables	4	66.7	5	83.3	8	66.67	3	60	5	83.33	25	71.43
5	Fruits	4	66.7	2	33.3	6	50	3	60	3	50	18	51.43
6	Milk	5	83.3	1	16.7	8	66.67	3	60	2	33.33	19	54.29
7	Egg	6	100	6	100	8	66.67	4	80	5	83.33	29	82.86
8	Meat	5	83.3	5	83.3	7	58.33	4	80	4	66.67	25	71.43

**Inadequacy of food items:** The data regarding in adequacy of food items in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 51. The results indicated that, the extent of in adequacy of food items for cereals, pulses, Oilseeds and vegetables were 5.71, 22.86, 68.57, 71.43 and 71.43 per cent respectively, similarly for fruits (51.43%), milk (54.29%), egg (82.86%) and meat (71.43%).

**Response on market surplus of food items:** The data regarding adequacy of food items in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 52. The results indicated that, the extent of adequacy of food items for cereals, pulses, Oilseeds and vegetables were 2.86, 2.86, 17.14, 17.14 per cent respectively, similarly for fruits (2.86%), milk (2.86%) and meat (2.86%).

**Table 52. Response on market surplus of food items in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cereals	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.33	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.86
2	Pulses	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.33	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.86
3	Oilseed	1	16.67	0	0.00	3	25.00	1	20.00	1	16.67	6	17.14
4	Vegetables	1	16.67	0	0.00	3	25.00	1	20.00	1	16.67	6	17.14
5	Fruits	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.33	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.86
6	Milk	0	0.00	1	16.67	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.86
7	Meat	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.33	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	2.86

**Table 53. Farming constraints experienced in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed**

SN	Particulars	LL (6)		MF (6)		SF (12)		SMF (5)		MDF (6)		All (35)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Lower fertility status of the soil	0	0	6	100	8	66.67	3	60	5	83.33	22	62.86
2	Wild animal menace on farm field	0	0	5	83.33	9	75	5	100	6	100	25	71.43
3	Frequent incidence of pest and diseases	0	0	2	33.33	8	66.67	1	20	1	16.67	12	34.29
4	Inadequacy of irrigation water	0	0	0	0	1	8.33	0	0	3	50	4	11.43
5	High cost of Fertilizers and plant protection chemicals	0	0	2	33.33	3	25	1	20	2	33.33	8	22.86
6	High rate of interest on credit	0	0	2	33.33	2	16.67	0	0	1	16.67	5	14.29
7	Low price for the agricultural commodities	0	0	1	16.67	2	16.67	1	20	0	0	4	11.43
8	Lack of marketing facilities in the area	0	0	2	33.33	4	33.33	1	20	2	33.33	9	25.71
9	Inadequate extension services	0	0	2	33.33	2	16.67	1	20	1	16.67	6	17.14
10	Lack of transport for safe transport of the Agril produce to the market.	0	0	2	33.33	4	33.33	1	20	2	33.33	9	25.71
11	Less rainfall	0	0	4	66.67	6	50	4	80	4	66.67	18	51.43
12	Source of Agri-technology information	0	0	3	50	6	50	2	40	5	83.33	16	45.71

**Farming constraints:** The data regarding farming constraints experienced by households in Mellikeri-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 53. The results indicated that, lower fertility status of the soil was the constraint experienced by (62.86 %) per cent of the

households, wild animal menace on farm field (71.43%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (34.29%), inadequacy of irrigation water (11.43%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (22.86%), high rate of interest on credit (14.29%), low price for the agricultural commodities (11.43 %), lack of marketing facilities in the area (25.71%), inadequate extension services (17.14 %), lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (25.71%), less rainfall (51.43%), source of agri-technology information (Newspaper/Tv/Mobile) (45.71%).

## SUMMARY AND IMPLICATIONS

In order to assess the socio-economic condition of the farmers in the watershed 35 households located in the micro watershed were interviewed for the survey. The study was conducted in Mellikeri-1 micro-watershed (Chukkanakallu sub-watershed, Koppal taluk & District) is located at North latitude 15° 17' 30.116" and 15° 14' 43.018" and East longitude 76° 12' 24.623" and 75° 10' 25.943" covering an area of about 683.93 ha bounded by under Mallikeri, Hyati and Lachananakeri Villages.

Socio-economic analysis indicated that, out of the total sample of 35 respondents, 6 (17.14%) were marginal, 12(34.29%) were small and 5 (14.29%) were semi medium, 6 (17.14%) were medium farmers. The population characteristics of households indicated that, there were 86 (56.21%) men and 67 (43.79%) were women. Majority of the respondents (46.41%) were in the age group of 35-60 years. Education level of the sample households indicated that, majority there were 32.03 per cent illiterates and only 7.84 per cent attained graduation. About, 91.43 per cent of household heads practicing agriculture and 8.57 per cent of the household heads were engaged as agricultural labourers. Agriculture was the major occupation for 24.18 per cent of the household members.

In the study area, 68.57 per cent of the households possess katcha house and 25.71 per cent possess pucca house. The durable assets owned by the households showed that, 71.43 per cent possess TV, 74.29 per cent possess mixer grinder and 88.57 per cent possess mobile phones. Farm implements owned by the households indicated that, 54.29 per cent of the households possess plough and only 22.86 per cent sprayer. Regarding livestock possession by the households, 22.86 per cent possess local cow and 5.71 per cent possess buffalo respectively.

The average labour availability in the study area showed that, own men and women labour availability in the micro watershed was 19.63 each, while the hired labour (men) availability was 1.43. Further, 91.43 per cent of the households opined that hired labour was inadequate during the agricultural season.

Out of the total land holding of the sample respondents (37.69 ha), 30.12 per cent of the area is under dry condition and the remaining 69.88 per cent area is irrigated land. There were 18.00 bore wells and 11.0 dry bore wells among the sampled households. Bore well was the major source of irrigation for 42.9 per cent of the households. The major crops grown by sample farmers are Maize, Sugarcane, Groundnut, Bajra and Paddy and cropping intensity was recorded as 99.78 per cent.

The sample households possessed 62.86 per cent bank account and 62.86 per cent of them have savings in the account. About 62.86 per cent of the respondents borrowed credit from various sources. Among the credit borrowed by households, 4.55 per cent have borrowed loan from Cooperative bank. Majority of the respondents (100.00 %) have

borrowed loan for agriculture purpose. Regarding the opinion on institutional sources of credit, 100.00 per cent of the households opined that credit helped to perform timely agricultural operations.

The per hectare cost of cultivation for Maize, Sugarcane, Groundnut, Bajra and Paddy was Rs.30087.78 , 47101.20, 44476.04, 27631.24 and 14979.63 with benefit cost ratio of 1:1.30, 1: 5.50, 1: 1.50, 1: 1.40 and 1:1.30 respectively.

Further, 25.71 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 14.29 per cent of the households have opined that the green fodder was adequate.

The average annual gross income of the farmers was Rs. 109542.86 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 81785.71 comes from agriculture.

Sampled households have grown Coconut and mango trees in the fields, None of the households shown interest to cultivate horticultural crops.

Households have an average investment capacity of Rs 2.86 for land development. Source of funds for additional investment is concerned, 2.86 per cent depends on own funds and 2.86 per cent depends on bank loan for land development activities.

Regarding marketing channels, 28.57 per cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants, while, 42.86 per cent have sold by Agents/Traders. Further, 74.29 per cent of the households have used tractor for the transport of agriculture commodity.

Majority of the farmers (62.86 %) have experienced soil and water erosion problems in the watershed and 62.86 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.

Firewood connection was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 85.71 per cent of the households and 11.43 per cent households has LPG. Piped supply was the major source for drinking water for 80.00 per cent of the households. Electricity was the major source of light for 97.14 per cent of the households. In the study area, 65.71 per cent of the households possess toilet facility. Regarding possession of PDS card, 94.29 per cent of the households possessed BPL card and <sup>Cereals</sup> (91.43%), pulses (74.29%), oilseeds (14.29%) were adequate for consumption.

Farming constraints experienced by households in the micro watersheds were lower fertility status of the soil (62.86%) wild animal menace on farm field ( 71.43%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (34.29%), inadequacy of irrigation water (11.43%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (22.86%), high rate of interest on credit (14.29%), low price for the agricultural commodities (11.43%), lack of marketing facilities in the area (25.71%), inadequate extension services (17.14%), lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (25.71%), Less

rainfall (51.43%) and Source of Agri-technology information(Newspaper/TV/Mobile) (45.71%).

### **Implications of the survey**

- ✓ Result indicated that, there were 32.03 per cent were illiterate hence, extension methodologies such as demonstration, street play, drama, video shows will be effective in dissemination of the technologies in the micro watershed.
- ✓ The data indicate that, 68.57 per cent of the households possess katcha house. Hence, the development department while implementing the watershed plan should focus on agriculture to enhance the productivity of major crops in the area to increase the income of the farmers.
- ✓ Results indicated that the local institutional participation of the household members in the micro watershed is minimal hence, activities like membership campaign, awareness creation about the benefits of membership in local institutions and strengths of organized groups must be conveyed.
- ✓ Majority of the households in the watershed have experience in use of mobile phones, and television hence, these mass media can be effectively utilized for transfer of technology as well as for information dissemination.
- ✓ The farm machinery/implement possession in the micro watershed was found to be minimum the reasons may lack of knowledge or lack of financial ability which can be addressed through training on use of different farm implements, providing information on different sources of finance for purchase of farm implements.
- ✓ The possession of livestock such as crossbred cow found is less hence, farmers must be made aware of the benefits of crossbred cow in increased milk production.
- ✓ The possession of livestock such as sheep, goat and poultry was found to be low hence, farmers may be informed the role of subsidiary enterprises in enhancing the income and information on financial support for subsidiary activities.
- ✓ The data indicate that, job/work was the reason for all the migrants hence, farmers may be trained on profitable agriculture or self employment such as animal husbandry, plate making, sheep rearing, goat rearing, rabbit rearing with suitable information on sources of financial support.
- ✓ The results indicate that there was a change in quality of life due to migration hence, the developmental departments should take actions to arrest migration and to improve the quality of the life in rural areas.
- ✓ Households possess 11.35 (30.12 %) of dry land and 26.33ha (69.88 %) of irrigated land hence, the availability of the dryland agricultural technologies such as short duration crops, high yielding drought resistance crop varieties, drip irrigation technology and subsidy information will be helpful for the farmers to enhance the productivity of land and as well as farmers income.

- ✓ Few of the bore well in micro watershed found non functional hence, farmers may be trained on possibility of bore well rejuvenation.
- ✓ Bore well was major source of irrigation for 42.9 per cent of the households. hence, in order to increase the area under irrigation as well as to increase the water use efficiency farmers may trained on drip irrigation and provide the information on subsidy for drip irrigation equipment's along with the information on different agencies which provides the financial assistance for drip irrigation.
- ✓ Farmers have grown 48 coconut trees and 3 mango trees in the fields, Further, 78 mango trees were also planted in the farm fields. Hence, production technologies related to these crops can be made available to the farmers for better adoption.
- ✓ The cropping intensity in the micro watershed was found to be (99.78 %) hence, care must be taken by the implementing agency to bring uncultivated land into cultivation through suitable measures.
- ✓ Many of the household members have borrowed loan from cooperative banks which has higher rate of interest hence, farmers may be sensitized on the different sources of credit with lesser interest rate such SHGs etc.
- ✓ The results indicated the non availability of both green and dry fodder throughout the year hence, fodder development activities can be taken up in the micro watershed.
- ✓ The average annual gross income of the households Rs.81785.71 from agriculture and Rs. 12142.86 from wages. Agriculture was found to be the major source of income for households hence; the development activities should focus on productivity enhancement, marketing arrangements and agricultural technology dissemination to have a direct impact on the farmers.
- ✓ The cultivation of forest species is found minimal hence, information and production technology related to agro-forestry and integrated farming system.
- ✓ The data indicated that, 62.86 per cent of the households have experienced soil and water erosion problems. Hence, those farmers who reported the soil and water erosion problems may be given attention while implementation of the watershed development plan.
- ✓ The data indicated that, 62.86 per cent of the households have interest in soil testing hence, farmers must be provided with the information on various institutions which are involved in soil testing for the benefit of the farmers.
- ✓ Except summer ploughing the adoption of other soil and water conservation structures is minimum hence, the farmers in the micro watershed should be sensitized on the use of different conservation structures for soil water conservation.
- ✓ Cereals and pulses found be adequate for per cent of the households respectively hence, farm households and the farm women must be trained on importance of balanced nutrition and role of vegetable, milk, egg, meat in balanced diet.
- ✓ Lower fertility status of the soil (62.86%), wild animal menace on farm field (71.43%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (34.29%), high cost of fertilizers



and plant protection chemicals (22.86%), high rate of interest on credit (14.29%), low price for the agricultural commodities (11.43%), lack of marketing facilities in the area (25.71%), inadequate extension services (17.14%), lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (25.71%) were the major farming constraints experienced hence, these constraints must be addressed immediately for the welfare of the farmers. Awareness to be created among the farmers to approach nearest KVKs/RSKs and other developmental departments for technical and for subsidized inputs and utilize the well established regulated markets, approaching the contract firms, direct markets to avoid the involvement of middlemen.