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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 Alawandi-1 microwatershed in Koppal Taluk and District, Karnataka” for integrated development was taken up in collaboration with the State Agricultural Universities, IISC, KRSAC, KSNDMC as Consortia partners. The project provides detailed land resource information at cadastral level (1:7920 scale) for all the plots and socio-economic status of farm households covering thirty per cent farmers randomly selected representing landed and landless class of farmers in the microwatershed. The project report with the accompanying maps for the microwatershed will provide required detailed database for evolving effective land use plan, alternative land use options and conservation plans for the planners, administrators, agricultural extension personnel, KVK officials, developmental departments and other land users to manage the land resources in a sustainable manner.

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

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The land resource inventory of Alawandi-1microwatershed 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 212 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 90 per cent is covered by soils, 10per cent by water bodies, settlements and others. The salient findings from the land resource inventory are summarized briefly below.*

- ❖ The soils belong to 8 soil series and 13 soil phases (management units) and 6 land use classes.*
- ❖ 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 250 m grid interval.*
- ❖ Land suitability for growing 28 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 15per cent of the soils are shallow (25-50 cm), 43 per cent is moderately shallow (50-75 cm), 2per cent moderately deep (75- 100 cm), 8per cent is deep (100-150 cm) and 21 per cent has very deep soils (>150 cm).*
- ❖ About 37 per cent area has loamy soils and 52 per cent has clayey soils at the surface.*
- ❖ About 39per cent of the area has non-gravelly (<15%) soils, 46 per cent has gravelly soils (15-35 % gravel) and 4 per cent has very gravelly (35- 60% gravel) soils.*
- ❖ With respect to available water capacity 41 per cent of the area has very low (<50mm/m), 19per cent of the area has low (51-100 mm/m) and 29 per cent area has very high (>200mm/m).*

- ❖ *An area of about 8 per cent has nearly level (0-1%) lands and 82 per cent has very gently sloping (1-3%) lands.*
- ❖ *An area of about 66 per cent is slightly eroded (e1) and 23 per cent is moderately eroded (e2) lands.*
- ❖ *An area of about 2 per cent has neutral (pH 6.5 to 7.3) soils, 8 per cent slightly alkaline (pH 7.3 to 7.8), 63 per cent moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 to 8.4) and 17 per cent strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 to 9.0).*
- ❖ *The Electrical Conductivity (EC) of the soils are dominantly  $<2 \text{ dsm}^{-1}$  indicating that soils are non saline.*
- ❖ *Organic carbon is medium (0.5-0.75%) in 61 per cent and high ( $>0.75\%$ ) in 29 per cent area of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available phosphorus is low ( $<23 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in 28 per cent, medium (23-57 kg/ha) in 56 per cent and high ( $>57 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in 6 per cent of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available potassium is medium (145-337 kg/ha) in 30 per cent and high ( $>337 \text{ kg/ha}$ ) in 60 per cent of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available sulphur is low ( $<10 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 17 per cent, medium (10-20 ppm) in 26 per cent and high ( $>20 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 46 per cent of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available boron is low ( $<0.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in about 34 per cent and medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in 55 per cent area of the soils.*
- ❖ *Available iron is deficient in 80 per cent of the area and sufficient ( $>4.5 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 10 per cent of the area.*
- ❖ *Available zinc is deficient ( $<0.6 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 27 per cent of the area and sufficient ( $>0.6 \text{ ppm}$ ) in 62 per cent of the area.*
- ❖ *Available manganese and copper are sufficient in the entire area.*
- ❖ *The land suitability for 28 major crops grown in the microwatershed was assessed and the areas that are highly suitable (S1) and moderately suitable (S2) are given below. It is however to be noted that a given soil may be suitable for various crops but what specific crop to be grown may be decided by the farmer looking to his capacity to invest on various inputs, marketing infrastructure, market price, and finally the demand and supply position.*

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

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Suitability Area in ha (%)</b>		<b>Crop</b>	<b>Suitability Area in ha (%)</b>	
	<b>Highly suitable (S1)</b>	<b>Moderately suitable (S2)</b>		<b>Highly suitable (S1)</b>	<b>Moderately suitable (S2)</b>
<i>Sorghum</i>	-	153(72)	<i>Pomegranate</i>	-	62(29)
<i>Maize</i>	-	74(35)	<i>Guava</i>	-	-
<i>Bajra</i>	-	74(35)	<i>Jackfruit</i>	-	-
<i>Red gram</i>	-	62 (29)	<i>Jamun</i>	-	62(29)
<i>Bengal gram</i>	17(8)	112 (53)	<i>Musambi</i>	-	62(29)
<i>Groundnut</i>	-	74 (35)	<i>Lime</i>	-	62(29)
<i>Sunflower</i>	-	62 (29)	<i>Cashew</i>	-	4(2)
<i>Cotton</i>	17(8)	136(64)	<i>Custard apple</i>	17 (8)	140(66)
<i>Chilli</i>	-	74(35)	<i>Amla</i>	-	157(74)
<i>Tomato</i>	-	74(35)	<i>Tamarind</i>	-	62(29)
<i>Drumstick</i>	-	62(29)	<i>Marigold</i>	-	153(72)
<i>Mulberry</i>	-	21 (10)	<i>Chrysanthemum</i>	-	153(72)
<i>Mango</i>	-	-	<i>Jasmine</i>	-	91(43)
<i>Sapota</i>	-	-	<i>Crossandra</i>	-	91(43)

Apart from the individual crop suitability, a proposed crop plan has been prepared for the six identified LUCs by considering only the highly and moderately suitable lands for different crops and cropping systems with food, fodder, fibre and other horticulture crops.

- ❖ Maintaining soil-health is vital to crop production and conserve soil and land resource base for maintaining ecological balance and to mitigate climate change. For this, several ameliorative measures have been suggested to these problematic soils like saline/alkali, highly eroded, sandy soils etc.,
- ❖ Soil and water conservation treatment plan has been prepared that would help in identifying the sites to be treated and also the type of structures required.
- ❖ As part of the greening programme, several tree species have been suggested to be planted in marginal and submarginal lands, field bunds and also in the hillocks, mounds and ridges. 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 Alawandi-1 microwatershed in Koppal Taluk, Koppal 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 Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is located in the central part of Karnataka in Koppal taluk and district (Fig.2.1). It lies between  $15^{\circ}12'$  and  $15^{\circ}13'$  North latitudes and  $75^{\circ}58'$  and  $75^{\circ}59'$  East longitudes and covers an area of about 212 ha. It comprises parts of Kampli, Byrapura and Alawandi villages. It is about 67 km from Koppal town and bounded by Alawandi on the western and northern side, Kampli on the east and Byrapura on the southeastern side of the microwatershed.

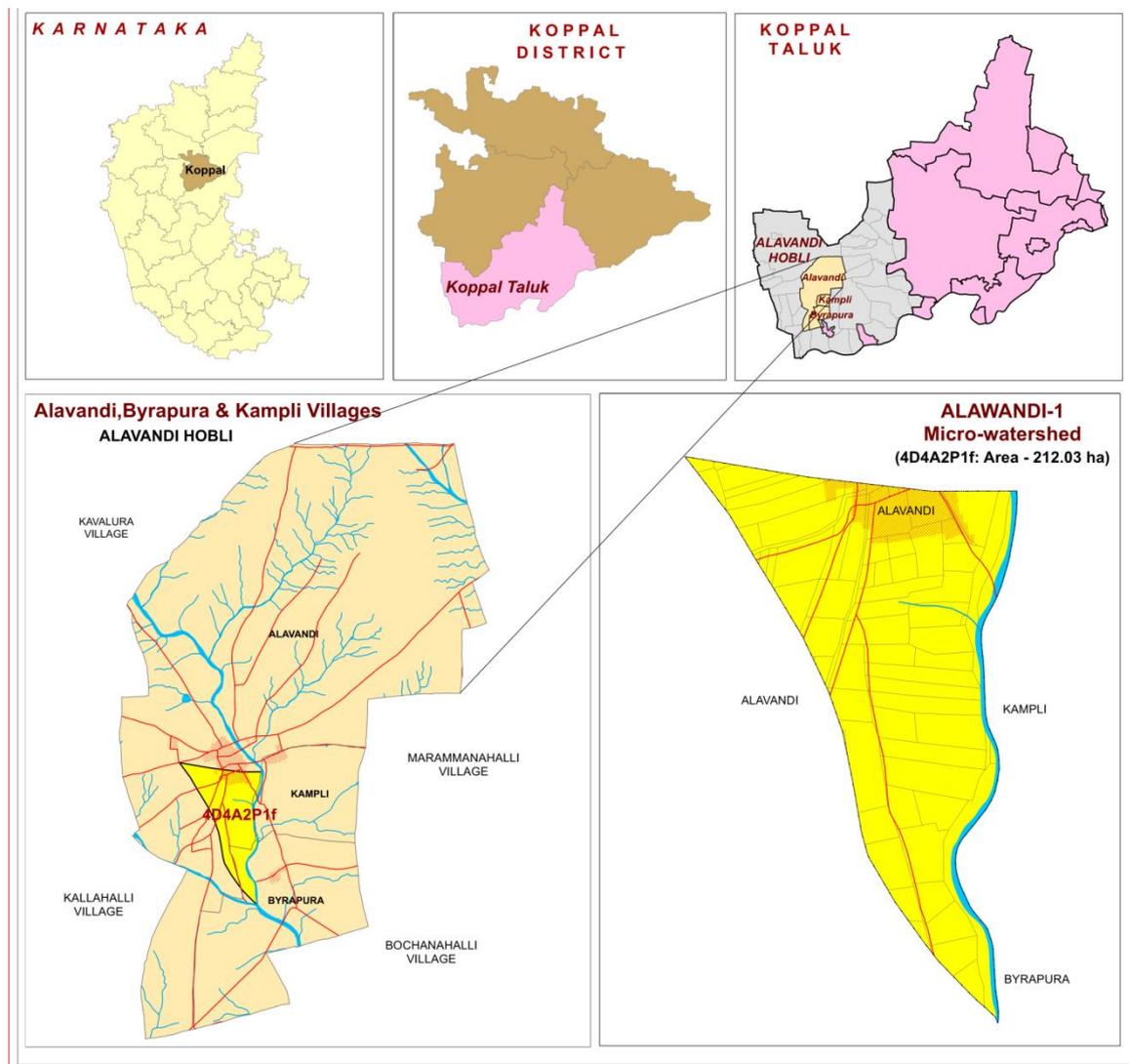


Fig.2.1 Location map of Alawandi-1 Microwatershed

### 2.2 Geology

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

gray granite gneisses are highly weathered, fractured and fissured upto a depth of about 10 m. Dolerite dykes and quartz veins are common with variable width and found to occur in Alawandi-1 village. The thickness of the alluvium generally is limited to less than a meter, except in river valleys where it is very deep extending to tens of meters. Such soils are transported and represent paleo black soils originally formed at higher elevation, but now occupying river valleys.



Fig.2.2 a Granite and granite gneiss rocks



Fig.2.2 b Alluvium

### 2.3 Physiography

Physiographically, the area has been identified as Granite gneiss and Alluvial landscapes based on geology. The microwatershed area has been further divided into mounds/ridges, summits, side slopes and very gently sloping uplands and nearly level plains based on slope and its relief features. The elevation ranges from 540 to 566 m in the gently sloping uplands. The mounds and ridges are mostly covered by rock outcrops.

## 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 semiarid tract of the state and is categorized as drought - prone with total annual rainfall of 662 mm (Table 2.1). Of this, a maximum of 424 mm precipitation is received during 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 is received 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 to 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	1/2PET
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>	

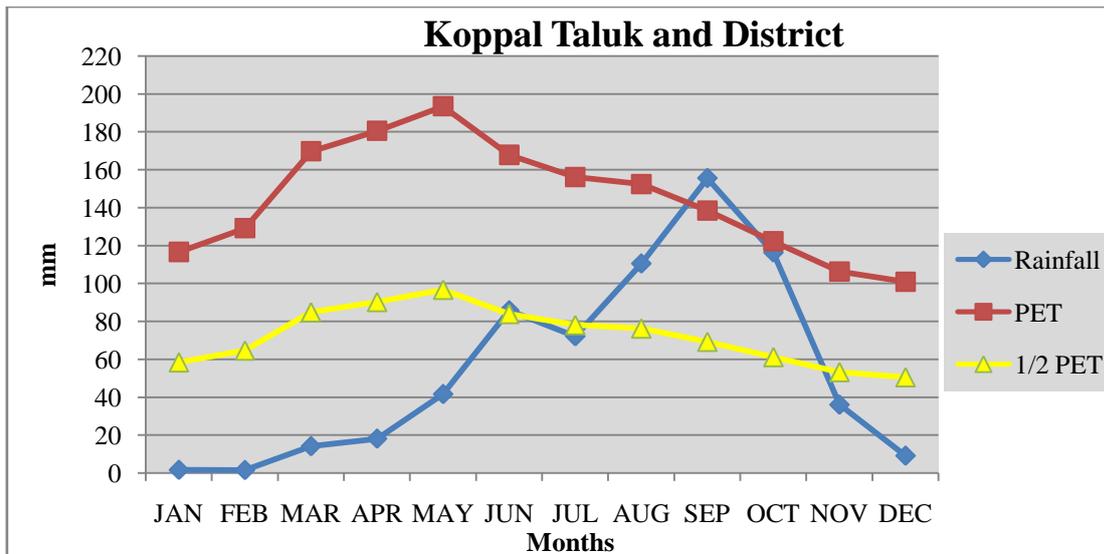


Fig. 2.3 Rainfall distribution in Koppal Taluk and District

## 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 Alawandi-1 microwatershed

## 2.7 Land Utilization

About 91 per cent area (Table 2.2) in Koppal district is cultivated at present and about 17 per cent of the area is sown more than once. 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 boulder 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 Alawandi-1 microwatershed is presented in Fig.2.6. Simultaneously, enumeration of existing wells (bore wells) and conservation structures is made and their location in different survey numbers is marked on the cadastral map. Map showing the location of wells and conservation structures in Alawandi-1 microwatershed is given in Fig.2.7.

**Table 2.2 Land Utilization in Koppal District**

Sl.No.	Agricultural land use	Area ( ha)	Percent
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 Alawandi-1 Microwatershed



Fig.2.5(b) Different crops and cropping systems in Alawandi-1 Microwatershed

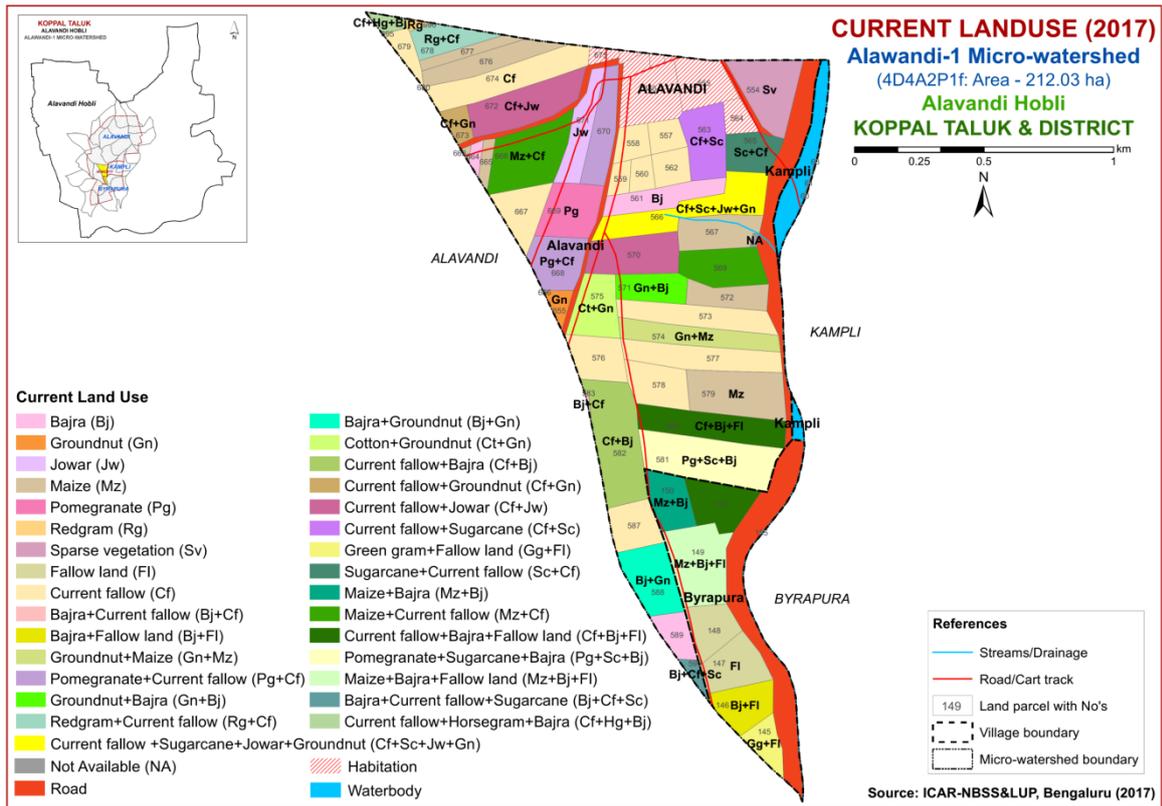


Fig.2.6 Current Land Use – Alavandi-1Microwatershed

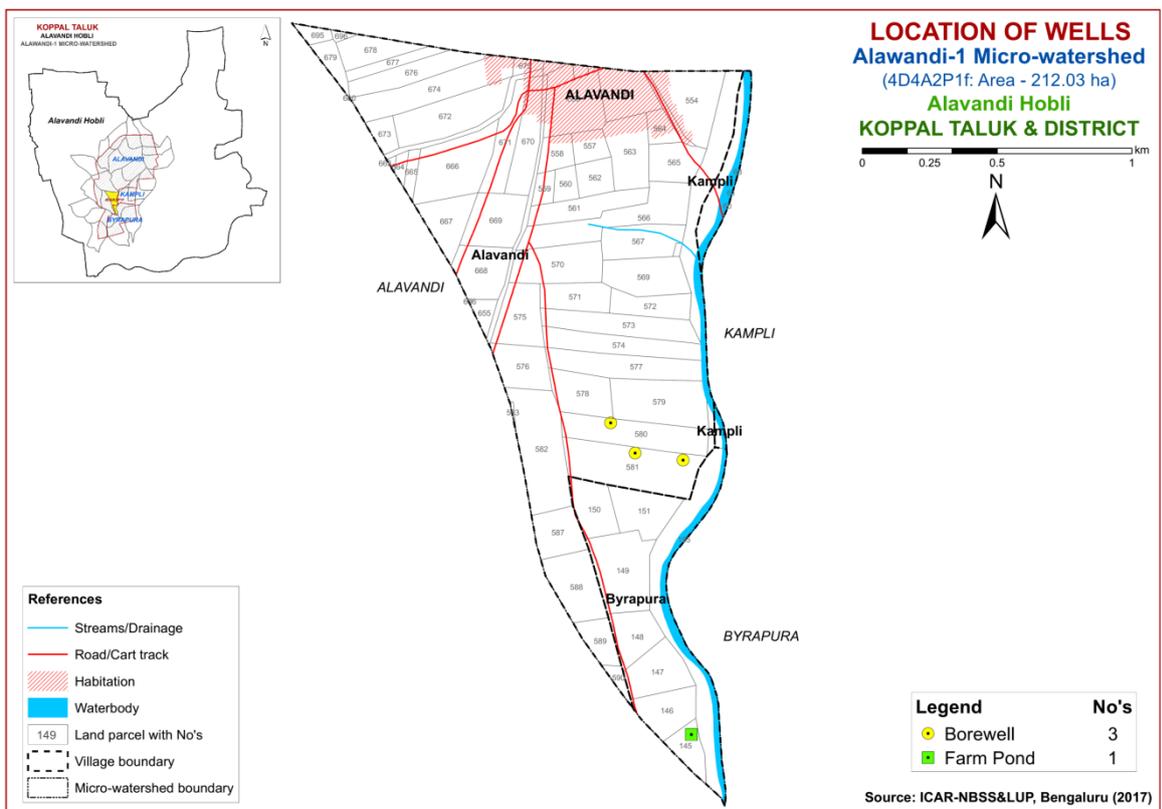


Fig.2.7 Location of wells and conservation structures – Alavandi-1Microwatershed

## 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 Alawandi-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 (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 212ha 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 a base supplied by the KRSRAC. 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 and alluvial landscapes and is divided into landforms such as ridges, mounds, uplands, very gently sloping lands 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)

### **DSe -Alluvial landscape**

#### **DSe1 Summit**

DSe11	Nearly level Summit with dark grey tone
DSe12	Nearly level Summit with medium grey tone
DSe13	Nearly level Summit with whitish grey tone
DSe14	Nearly level Summit with whitish tone (Calcareousness)
DSe15	Nearly level Summit with pinkish grey tone
DSe16	Nearly level Summit with medium pink tone
DSe17	Nearly level Summit with bluish white tone
DSe18	Nearly level Summit with greenish grey tone

#### **DSe2 Very gently sloping**

DSe21	Very gently sloping, whitish tone
DSe22	Very gently sloping, greyish pink tone
DSe23	Very gently sloping, whitish grey tone
DSe24	Very gently sloping, medium grey tone
DSe25	Very gently sloping, medium pink tone
DSe26	Very gently sloping, dark grey tone
DSe27	Very gently sloping, bluish grey tone
DSe28	Very gently sloping, greenish grey tone
DSe29	Very gently sloping, Pinkish grey

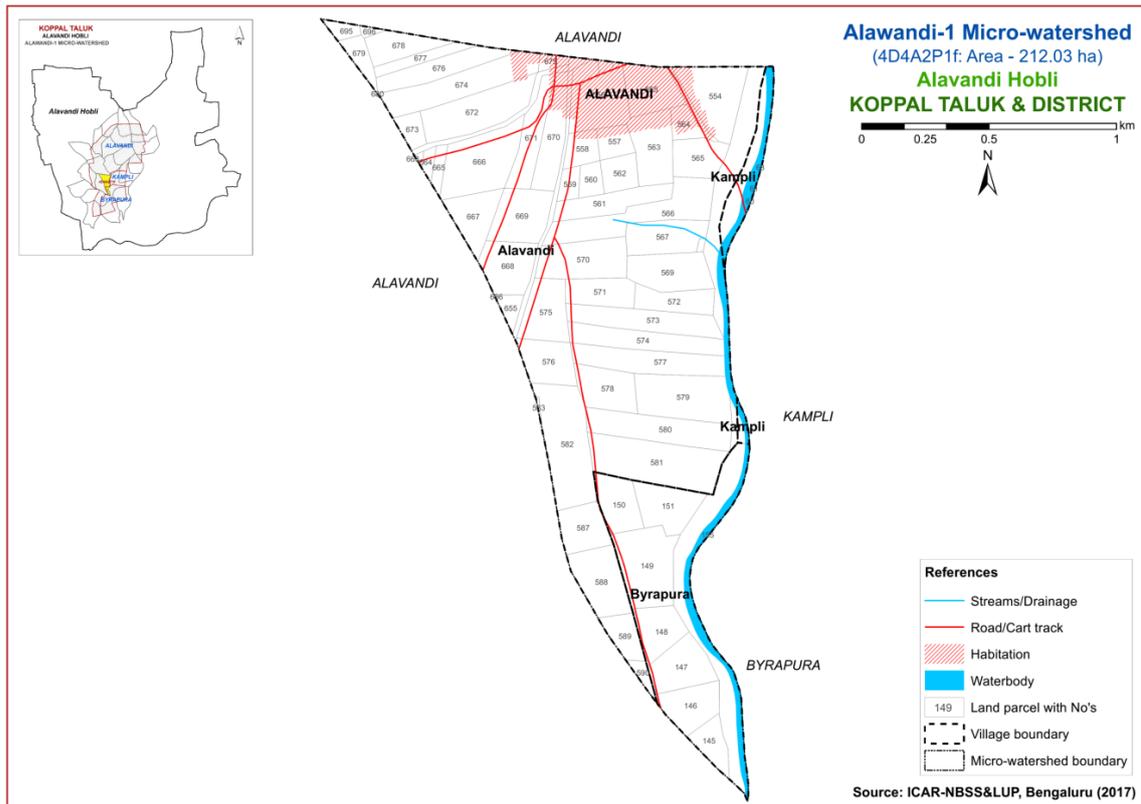


Fig 3.1 Scanned and Digitized Cadastral map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

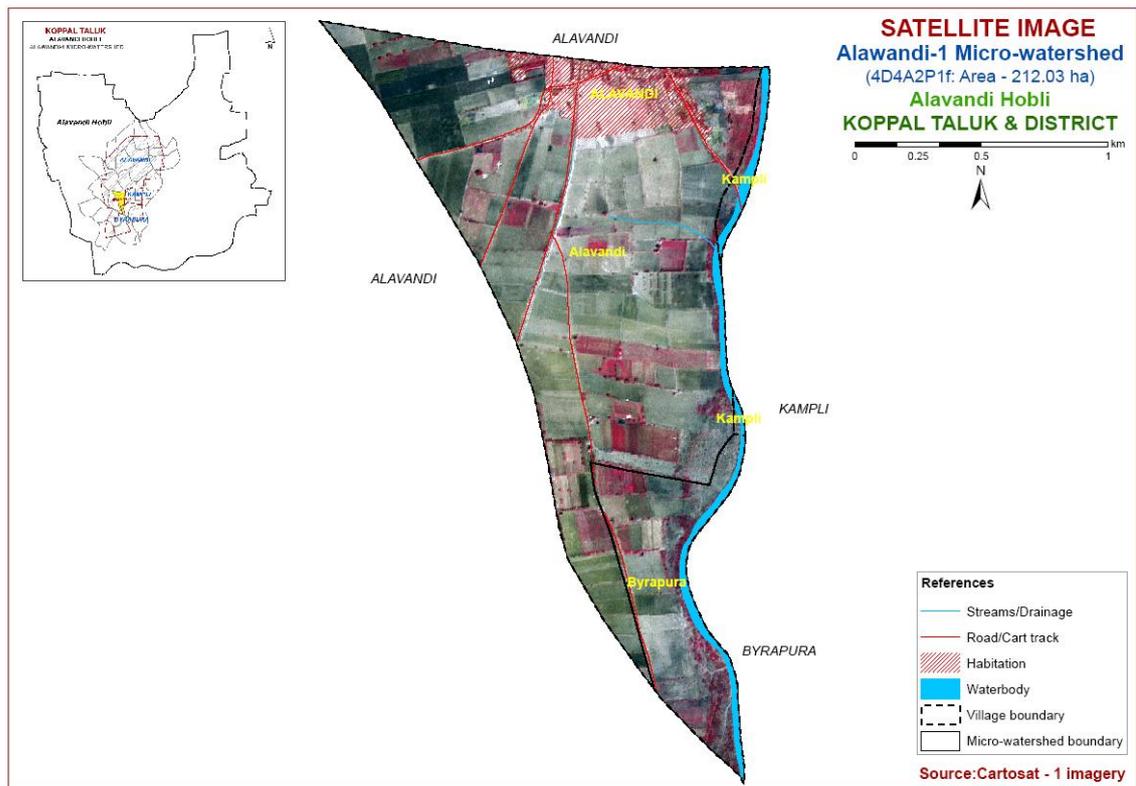


Fig.3.2 Satellite Image of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

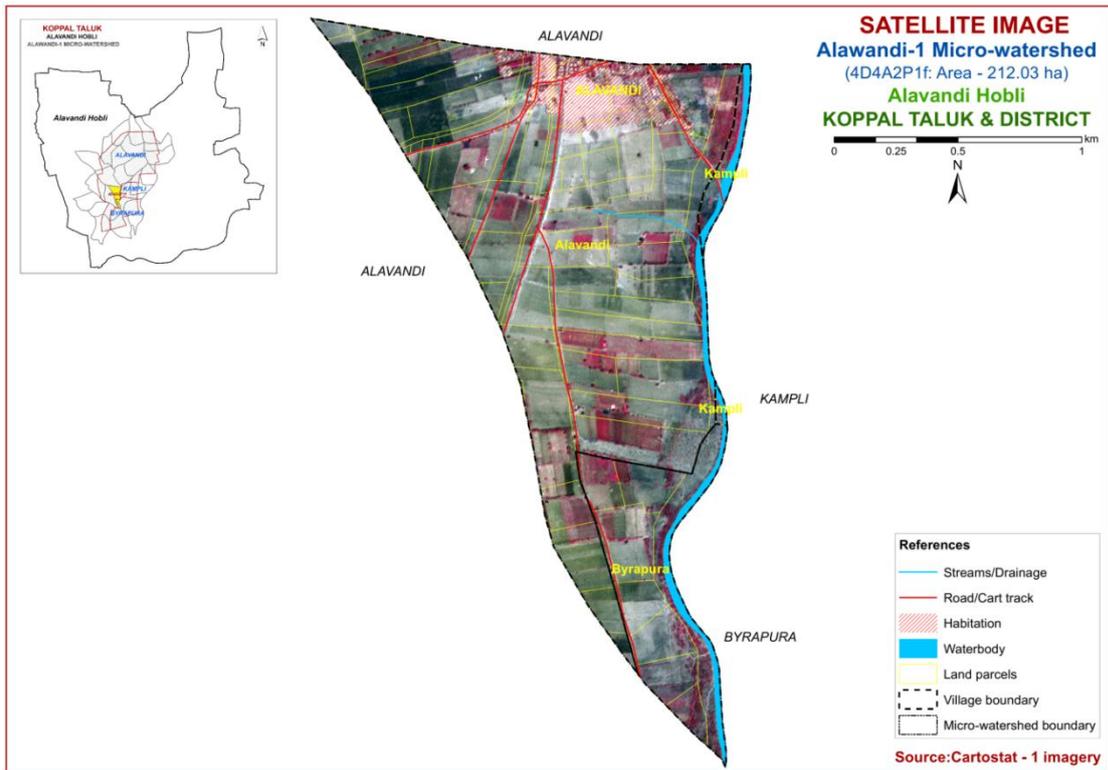


Fig.3.3 Cadastral map overlaid on IRS PAN+LISS IV merged imagery of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

### 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).

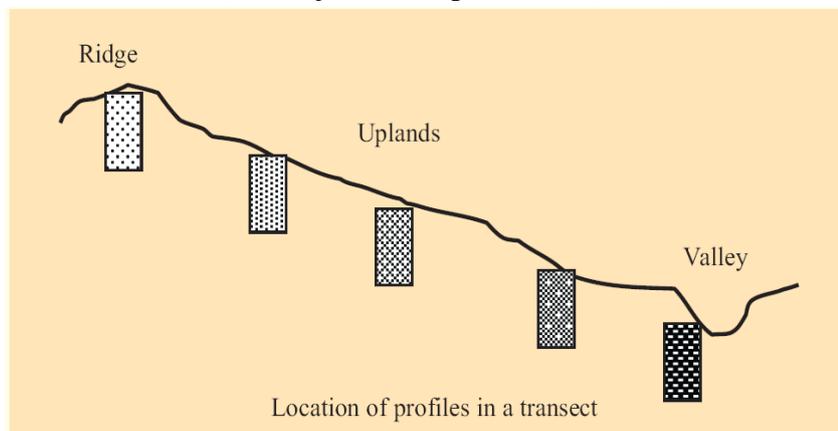


Fig: 3.4. Location of profiles in a transect

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, 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, 8 soil series were identified in Alawandi-1 microwatershed.

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

<b>Soils of Granite Gneiss Landscape</b>							
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Soil Series</b>	<b>Depth(cm)</b>	<b>Colour(moist)</b>	<b>Texture</b>	<b>Gravel(%)</b>	<b>Horizon sequence</b>	<b>Calcareousness</b>
1	Kaggalipura (KGP)	25-50	2.5 YR 2.5/4, 3/4,3/6	gscl-gsc	15-35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
2	Kethanapura (KTP)	50-75	2.5YR3/4,3/6	scl	15-35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
3	Mukhadahalli (MKH)	50-75	5YR3/3,3/4,4/3, 5/4, 6/6 2.5 YR 3/4	gscl	>35	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
4	Bidanagere (BDG)	75-100	5YR3/3,3/4,4/3,5/4 2.5YR3/4	gc	35-60	Ap-Bt-Cr	-
<b>Soils of Alluvial Landscape</b>							
4	Ravanki (RNK)	50-75	7.5YR3/2,3/3, 5/2,5/3 10YR3/1,3/2,4/1,4/2,5/1,6/1	c	<15	Ap-Bw-Cr	e-ev
6	Handrala (HDL)	100-150	10YR2/1,3/1, 4/1	c	-	Ap-Bss-Ck	es
7	Murlapur (MLR)	>150	10YR 2/1, 2/2, 3/1,3/2, 4/1	c	10-20	Ap-Bss	e-es
8	Alawandi (AWD)	>150	10YR 2/1,3/2	c	<15	Ap-Bss	e-es

### **3.4 Soil Mapping**

The area under each soil series was further separated into soil phases and their boundaries delineated on the cadastral map based on the variations observed in the texture of the surface soil, slope, erosion, presence of gravel, stoniness etc. A soil phase is a subdivision of soil series based mostly on surface features that affect its use and management. The soil mapping units are shown on the map (Fig.3.5) in the form of symbols. During the survey many soil profile pits, few minipits and a few auger bores representing different landforms occurring in the microwatershed were studied. In addition to the profile study, spot observations in the form of minipits, road cuts, terrace cuts etc., were studied to validate the soil boundaries on the soil map.

The soil map shows the geographic distribution of 13 mapping units representing 8 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 13 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 Land Use Classes**

The 13 soil phases identified and mapped in the microwatershed were regrouped into six Land Use Classes (LUC's) for the purpose of preparing a Proposed Crop Plan for sustained development of the microwatershed. The database (soil phases) generated under LRI was utilized for identifying Land Use Classes (LUC's) based on the management needs. One or more than one soil site characteristic having influence on the management have been chosen for identification and delineation of LUCs. For Alawandi-1 microwatershed, five soil and site characteristics, namely soil depth, soil texture, slope, erosion and gravel content have been considered for defining LUCs. The land use classes are expected to behave similarly for a given level of management.

### **3.6 Laboratory Characterization**

Soil samples for each 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 2017 from farmer's fields in Alawandi-1 microwatershed (23 samples) for fertility status (major and micronutrients) at 250 m grid interval were analyzed in the laboratory (Katyal and Rattan, 2003). By linking the soil fertility data to the survey numbers through GIS, soil fertility maps were generated using Kriging method for the microwatershed.

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

Soil map unit No*	Soil Series	Soil Phase Symbol	Mapping Unit Description	Area in ha (%)
<b>Soils of Granite and Granite gneiss landscape</b>				
	<b>KGP</b>		Kaggalipura soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown to dark red, gravelly sandy clay loam to sandy clay soils occurring on nearly level to moderately sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>32 (15.26)</b>
19		KGPiB1g1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	32 (15.26)
	<b>KTP</b>		Kethanapura soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown gravelly red sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>23 (11.26)</b>
71		KTPcB1g1	Sandy loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	15 (7.31)
73		KTPiB1	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	8 (3.95)
	<b>MKH</b>		Mukhadahalli soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to reddish brown gravelly red sandy clay loam soils occurring on very gently to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>50 (23.79)</b>
81		MKHhB1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion	26 (12.21)
82		MKHhB1g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	20 (9.61)
83		MKHhB1g2	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, very gravelly (35-60%)	4 (1.97)
	<b>BDG</b>		Bidanagere soils are moderately deep (75-100 cm), well drained, have dark reddish brown gravelly clay soils occurring on nearly level to gently sloping uplands under cultivation	<b>4 (2.08)</b>
193		BDGiB1g2	Sandy clay surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, very gravelly (35-60%)	4 (2.08)
<b>Soils of Alluvial landscape</b>				
	<b>RNK</b>		Ravanaki soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), moderately well drained, have dark brown to very dark grayish brown and dark gray, calcareous clay black soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation	<b>17.4 (8.04)</b>
336		RNKmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	17 (7.81)
337		RNKmB2g1	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	0.4 (0.23)
	<b>HDL</b>		Handrala soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have dark gray to very dark gray, black cracking clay soils occurring on very gently sloping plains under cultivation	<b>17 (7.79)</b>
379		HDLmA1g1	Clay surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	17 (7.79)

	<b>MLR</b>	Murlapur soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark grayish brown to very dark gray, calcareous black cracking clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>45 (21.27)</b>
409		MLRhB1g1	Sandy clay loam surface, slope 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)	13 (6.14)
418		MLRmB2	Clay surface, slope 1-3%, moderate erosion	32 (15.13)
	<b>AWD</b>	Alawandi soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark grayish brown to black , calcareous black cracking clay soils occurring on nearly level to very gently sloping plains under cultivation		<b>0.09 (0.04)</b>
421		AWDmA1	Clay surface, slope 0-1%, slight erosion	0.09 (0.04)
1000		Others	Habitation and water body	22 (10.47)

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

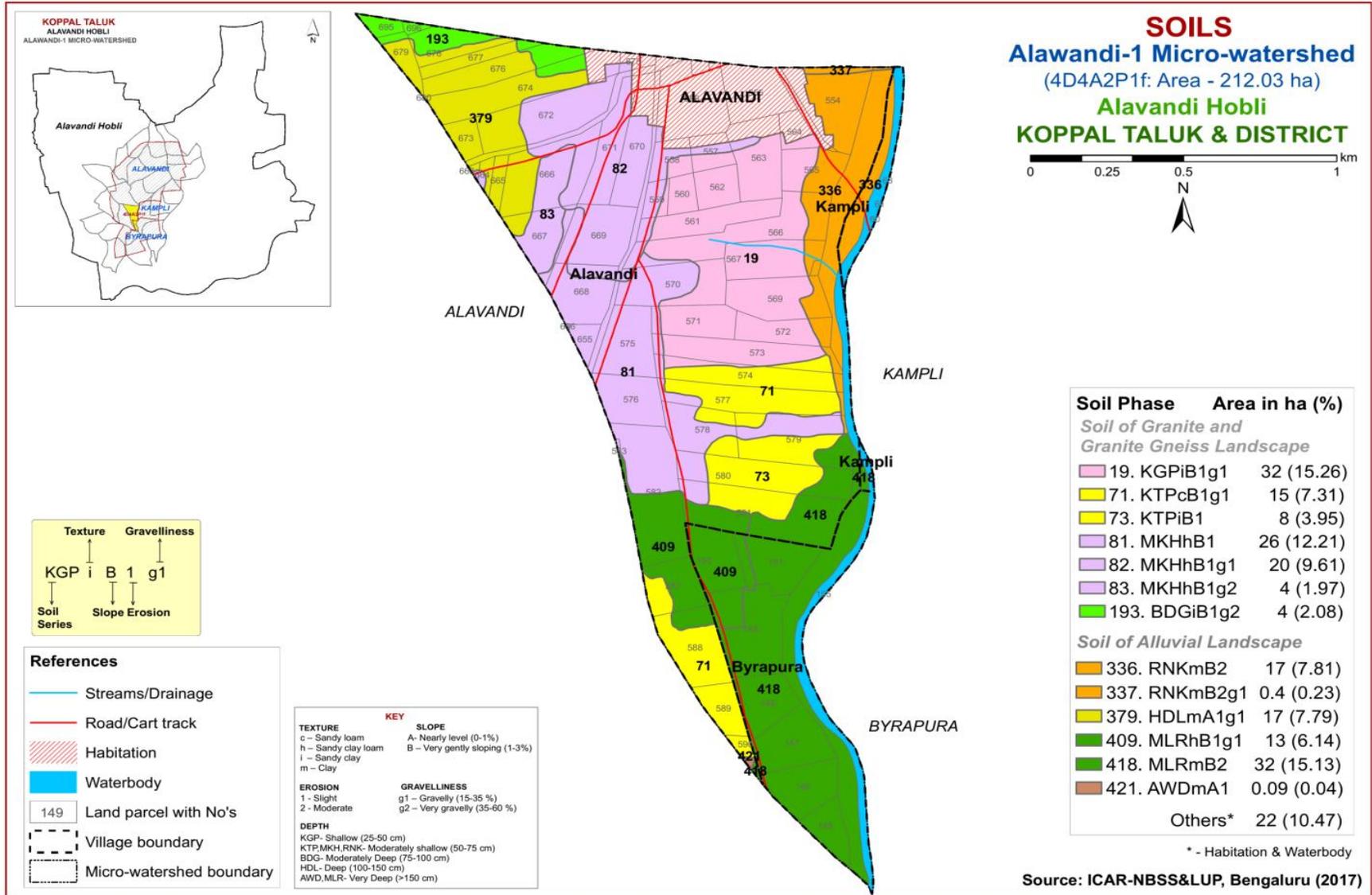


Fig 3.5 Soil Phase or Management Units- Alavandi-1 Microwatershed



## THE SOILS

Detailed information pertaining to the nature, extent and distribution of different kinds of soils occurring in Alawandi-1 microwatershed is provided in this chapter. The microwatershed area has been identified as granite gneiss and alluvial landscapes based on geology. In all, 8 soil series were 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 8 soil series identified followed by 13 soil phases (management units) mapped (Fig. 3.5) are furnished below. The physical and chemical characteristics of soil series identified in Alawandi-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, 4 soil series were identified and mapped. Of these series, Mukhadahalli (MKH) occupies maximum area of 50 ha (24%) followed by Kaggalipura (KGP) 32 ha (15%). The brief description of the soil series along with the soil phases identified and mapped is given below.

**4.1.1 Kaggalipura (KGP) Series:** Kaggalipura soils are shallow (25-50 cm), well drained, have brown to dark reddish brown sandy clay loam to sandy clay soils. They have developed from granite gneiss and occur on very gently sloping uplands. The Kaggalipura series has been tentatively classified as a member of the fine, mixed, isohyperthermic family of Typic Rhodustalfs.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 30 to 50 cm. The thickness of A-horizon ranges from 10 to 17 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 sandy clay with 10 to 25 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 24 to 50 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 2.5 and chroma 4. Its texture is sandy clay loam to sandy clay soils with gravel content of 15 to 35 per cent. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). One soil phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Kaggalipura (KGP) Series

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

The thickness of the solum ranges from 53 to 72 cm. The thickness of A-horizon ranges from 11 to 16 cm. Its colour is in 5YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 3 to 6. The texture varies from loamy sand to sandy clay loam with 15 to 40 per cent gravel. The thickness of B-horizon varies from 41 to 56 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 4 to 6. Texture is dominantly sandy clay loam with 15 to 35 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is medium (101-150 mm/m). Two soil phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Kethanapura (KTP) Series

**4.1.3 Mukhadahalli (MKH) Series:** Mukhadahalli soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to reddish brown gravelly sandy clay loam 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 with 35 to 50 per cent gravel. The available water capacity is low (50-100 mm/m). Three soil phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soilprofile characteristics of Mukhadahalli (MKH) Series

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

The thickness of the solum ranges from 78 to 99 cm. The thickness of A-horizon ranges from 12 to 19 cm. Its colour is in 2.5 YR and 5 YR hue with value 2 to 3 and chroma 3 to 4. The texture varies from sandy clay loam to sandy clay with 10 to 20 per cent gravel. The thickness of B-horizon ranges from 68 to 85 cm. Its colour is in 5 YR and 2.5 YR hue with value 3 to 5 and chroma 3 to 4. Its texture is gravelly clay with gravel content of 35-60 per cent. The available water capacity is very low (<50 mm/m). One soil phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape Soil Profile Characteristics of Bidanagere (BDG) Series

#### 4.2 Soils of Alluvial Landscape

In this landscape, 4 soil series were identified and mapped. Of these series, Murlapur series (MLR) occupies maximum area of 45ha (21%). The brief description of soil series along with the soil phases identified and mapped is given below.

**4.2.1 Ravanaki (RNK) Series:** Ravanaki soils are moderately shallow (50-75 cm), well drained, have dark brown to very dark grayish brown, calcareous clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains. The Ravanaki series has been classified as a member of the very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) family of Fluventic Haplustepts.



Landscape and Soil Profile Characteristics of Ravanaki (RNK) Series

The thickness of the solum ranges from 50 to 75 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 15 to 20 cm. Its colour is in 7.5 YR and 10 YR hue with value 2 to 3 and

chroma 2.5 to 4. The texture varies from sandy clay to clay with 10 to 15 per cent gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 35 to 60 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR and 7.5 YR hue with value 2 to 6 and chroma 2 to 4. Its texture is clay with gravel content of < 15 per cent. The available water capacity is low (51-100 mm/m). Two soil phases were identified and mapped

**4.2.2 Handrala (HDL) Series:** Handrala soils are deep (100-150 cm), moderately well drained, have black, very dark brown to dark gray cracking clay soils. They are developed from weathered alluvium and occur on very gently to gently sloping plains. The Handrala series has been classified as a member of the very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) Typic Haplusterts.

The thickness of the solum ranges from 102 to 149 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 14 to 26 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 1. The texture is clay. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 103 to 127 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. Texture is dominantly clay and is calcareous.. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). One soil phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Handrala (HDL) Series

**4.2.3 Murlapur (MLR) Series :** Murlapur soils are very deep (>150 cm), moderately well drained, have very dark grayish brown to very dark gray, calcareous black cracking clay soils. They have developed from alluvium and occur on nearly level to very gently sloping plains. The Murlapur series has been classified as a member of the very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) family of Typic Haplusterts.

The thickness of the solum is >150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 20 to 25 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 and chroma 1. The texture is clay with no gravel. The thickness of B horizon ranges from 150 to 190 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 3 to 4 and chroma 1 to 2. Its texture is clay. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Two soil phases were identified and mapped.



Landscape and soil profile characteristics of Murlapur (MLR) series

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

The thickness of the solum is more than 150 cm. The thickness of A horizon ranges from 16 to 26 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 3 and chroma 1 to 2. The texture varies from sandy clay to clay. The thickness of B horizon is more than 150 cm. Its colour is in 10 YR hue with value 2 to 3 and chroma 1 to 3. Its texture is clay and is calcareous. The available water capacity is very high (>200 mm/m). Only one soil phase was identified and mapped.



Landscape and Soil Profile Characteristics of Alawandi (AWD) Series

**Table: 4.1 Physical and Chemical Characteristics of Soil Series identified in Alawandi-1 microwatershed**

**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 <sub>1</sub>	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 <sub>2</sub>	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				
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:** Bidanagere (BDG), **Pedon:** RM-3

**Location:** 13°22'11"N, 76°38'03"E, (4D3D8G1a), Tharabenahalli village, Chikkanayakanahalli taluk, Tumakuru 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)				
0-20	Ap	81.19	11.25	7.56	12.54	15.07	17.90	21.94	13.75	50	ls	-	-
20-35	Bt1	57.45	11.45	31.10	12.76	11.02	10.92	12.45	10.31	50	scl	-	-
35-92	Bt2	44.63	7.85	47.52	12.40	9.61	8.37	7.75	6.51	60	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				
0-20	6.24	-	-	0.06	0.60	0.00	1.61	0.26	0.10	0.01	1.98	3.76	0.50	52.56	0.35
20-35	5.99	-	-	0.02	0.40	0.00	4.25	0.46	0.08	0.28	5.07	8.02	0.26	63.18	3.46
35-92	6.70	-	-	0.03	0.20	0.00	5.45	0.31	0.10	0.22	6.09	9.90	0.21	61.48	2.24

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**Series Name:** Ravanaki (RNK), **Pedon:** RM-20

**Location:** 15°14'22.7"N, 75°57'45.8"E, Gatareddihalla village, Koppal taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore **Classification:** Very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) Fluventic Haplustepts

Depth (cm)	Horizon	Size class and particle diameter (mm)								Coarse fragments w/w (%)	Texture Class (USDA)	% Moisture	
		Total			Sand							1/3 Bar	15 Bar
		Sand (2.0-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	Very coarse (2.0-1.0)	Coarse (1.0-0.5)	Medium (0.5-0.25)	Fine (0.25-0.1)	Very fine (0.1-0.05)				
0-28	Ap	24.43	17.76	57.81	5.30	3.89	3.78	7.14	4.32	20	c	41.40	29.60
28-55	Bw	18.77	15.59	65.64	2.74	3.73	2.85	4.83	4.61	10	c	46.71	35.18
55-80	Bc	12.53	15.43	72.04	2.60	1.92	1.47	3.16	3.39	10	c	56.82	43.73

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				
0-28	8.86	-	-	0.483	0.63	15.48	-	-	0.86	6.27	-	37.00	0.64	-	16.94
28-55	8.61	-	-	1.4	0.23	13.68	-	-	0.68	12.27	-	53.20	0.81	-	23.06
55-80	8.35	-	-	4.53	0.91	11.40	-	-	0.75	28.97	-	54.80	0.76	-	52.86

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**Series Name:** Handrala (HDL), Pedon: A2/RM-1

**Location:** 15°19'69.8"N, 75°58'00"E, Kavalura village, Koppal taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore **Classification:** Very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) Typic Haplusterts

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	21.68	16.62	61.70	4.42	3.98	3.43	5.64	4.20	10	c	41.36	31.27
25-50	Bss1	14.93	15.76	69.32	2.64	2.53	2.99	3.33	3.44	05	c	48.92	39.19
50-82	Bss2	23.11	16.60	60.29	4.51	3.61	6.31	4.74	3.95	05	c	42.46	33.85
82-117	Bss3	10.50	18.38	71.12	1.98	1.98	1.63	2.57	2.33	05	c	52.95	42.82

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>	%	%								%	%
0-25	9.06	-	-	0.371	0.16	4.80	-	-	0.80	7.93	-	62.33	1.01	-	12.72
25-50	9.09	-	-	0.719	0.2	7.20	-	-	0.42	14.94	-	67.10	0.97	-	22.26
50-82	9.28	-	-	0.47	0.19	9.36	-	-	0.47	11.59	-	60.21	1.00	-	19.26
82-117	8.76	-	-	1.55	0.36	8.64	-	-	0.11	2.28	-	25.33	0.36	-	9.02

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**Series Name:** Murlapur (MLR), Pedon: R-A1/16

**Location:** 15°19'42.9"N, 75°55'84.7"E, Kavalura village, Koppal taluk and district

**Analysis at:** NBSS&LUP, Regional Centre, Bangalore **Classification:** Very fine, smectitic, isohyperthermic (calc) Typic Haplusterts

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)				
0-30	Ap	27.97	13.96	58.07	4.22	4.77	6.66	8.10	4.22	10	c	36.24	25.90
30-53	BA	26.34	17.48	56.17	4.17	5.05	6.04	7.24	3.84	05	c	38.55	28.98
53-83	Bss1	19.35	19.55	61.10	3.13	3.91	4.03	5.48	2.80	05	c	44.48	33.69
83-105	Bss2	16.63	17.47	65.90	2.70	3.93	2.92	3.93	3.15	<5	c	50.55	38.11
105-160	Bss3	14.69	20.34	64.97	0.79	2.26	4.07	4.18	3.39	<5	c	51.54	40.19

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				
0-30	9.19	-	-	0.313	0.57	10.08	-	-	0.64	5.67	-	42.08	0.72	-	13.48
30-53	9.22	-	-	0.449	0.24	13.08	-	-	0.35	8.23	-	41.02	0.73	-	20.06
53-83	9.17	-	-	0.377	0.82	16.92	-	-	0.39	14.28	-	51.20	0.84	-	27.90
83-105	9.18	-	-	0.477	0.61	15.48	-	-	0.35	13.19	-	53.11	0.81	-	24.84
105-160	9.01	-	-	1.17	0.24	16.92	-	-	0.43	19.61	-	53.95	0.83	-	36.35



## 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 recognized 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 13 soil map units identified in the Alavandi-1 microwatershed are grouped under two land capability classes and four land capability subclasses (Fig. 5.1).

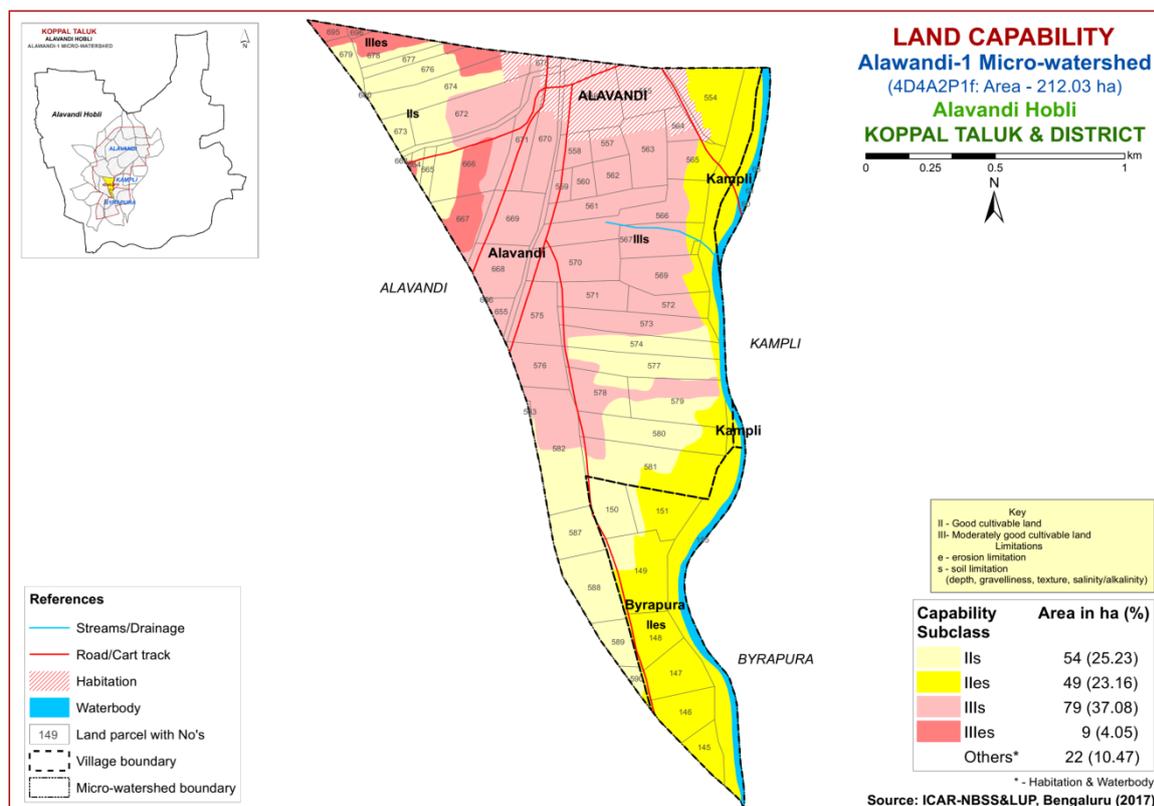


Fig. 5.1 Land Capability map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

Entire area in the microwatershed is suitable for agriculture. Good lands (Class II) cover an area of about 103 ha (48 %) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor problems of soil and erosion. Moderately good lands occupy an area of about 88 ha (41 %) and distributed in the northern and western part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of soil and erosion.

## 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). The area extent and their geographical distribution in the microwatershed is given in Fig. 5.2

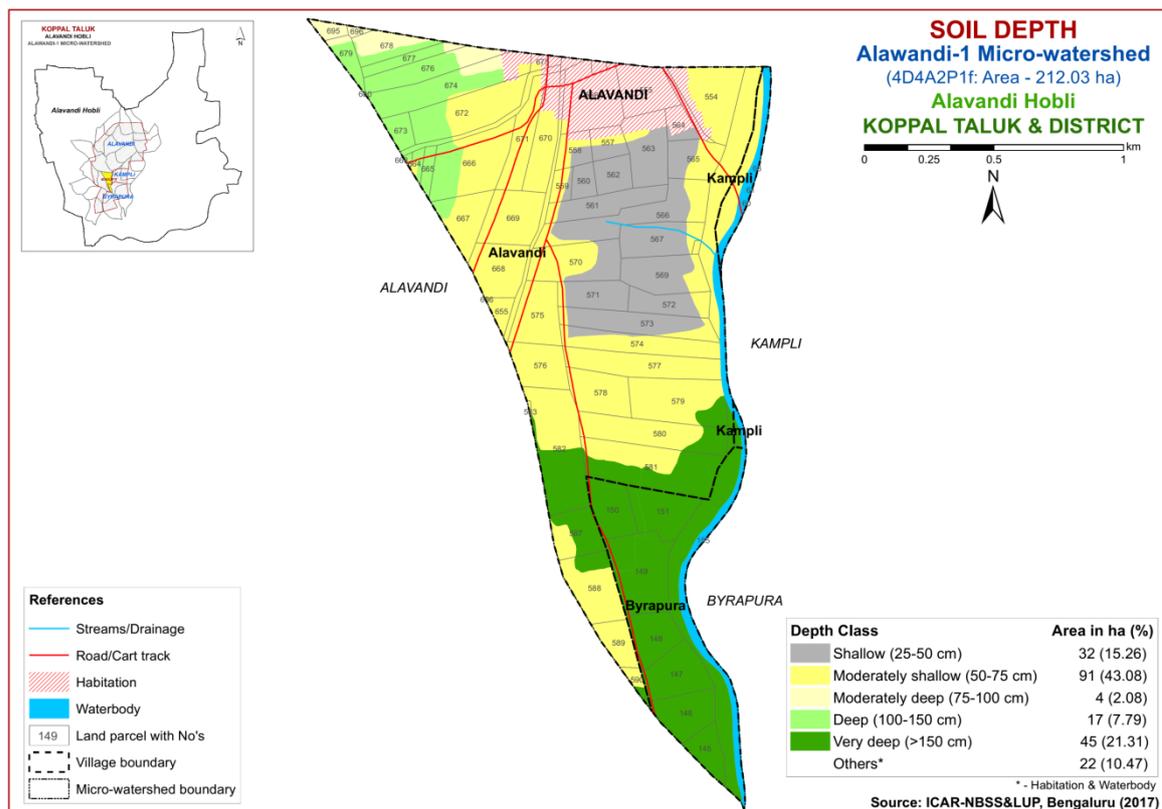


Fig. 5.2 Soil Depth map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

Shallow soils (25-50 cm) occupy an area of about 32 ha (15%) and distributed in the northern and central part of the microwatershed. Moderately shallow soils (50-75 cm) occupy about 91 ha (43%) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of about 4 ha (2 %) is moderately deep (75-100 cm) and distributed in the northern part of

the microwatershed. Deep (100-150 cm) soils occupy 17 ha (8%) area and distributed in the northwestern of the microwatershed. Very deep (>150 cm) soils occupy an area of about 45 ha (21%) and distributed in the southeastern and southern part of the microwatershed.

The most productive lands cover about 62 ha (29%) where all climatically adapted long duration crops be grown. The problem lands cover about 32 ha (15%) where only short duration crops can be grown. The probability of crop failure is very high.

### 5.3 Surface Soil Texture

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

An area of about 78 ha (37%) has soils that are loamy at the surface and distributed in the western part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 111 ha (52%) has clayey at the surface and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Clayey and loamy soils are most productive lands that have high potential for soil-water retention and availability, and nutrient retention and availability, but clayey soils have problems of drainage, infiltration, workability and other physical problems.

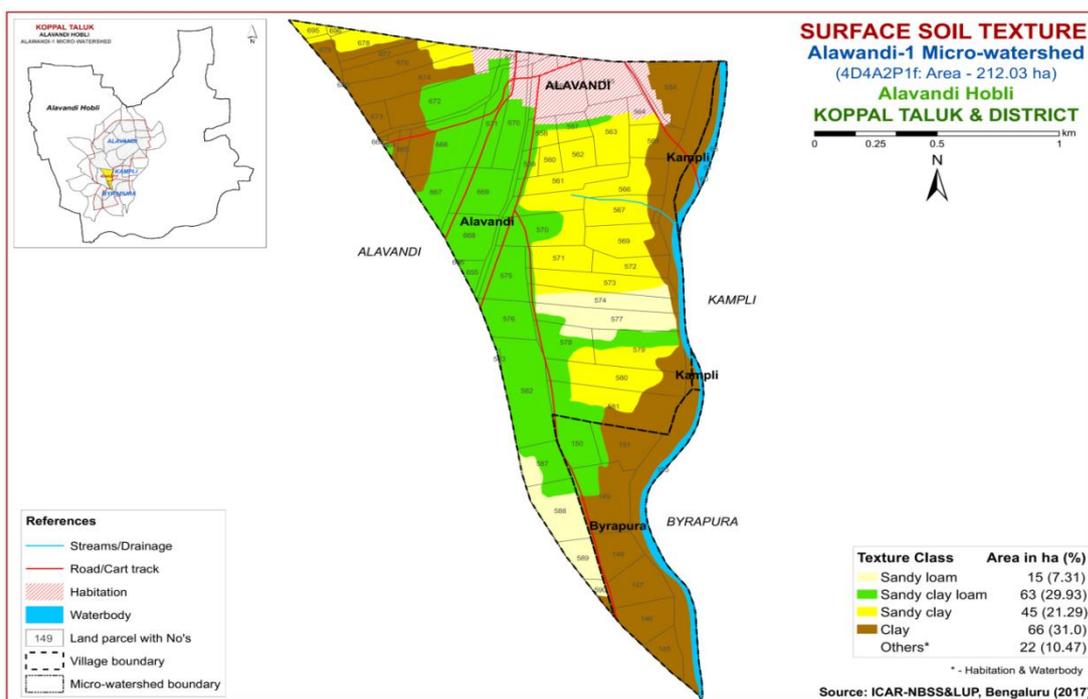


Fig. 5.3 Surface Soil Texture map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## 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 geographic distribution in the microwatershed is shown in Fig. 5.4.

The soils that are non-gravelly (<15% gravel) cover an area of about 83 ha (39%) and distributed in the central, southern, eastern and western part of the microwatershed. An area of about 98 ha (46%) is covered by gravelly (15-35% gravel) soils and are distributed in the western, central and northern part of the microwatershed. A small area of about 9 ha (4%) is covered by very gravelly (35-60%) soils and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed (Fig. 5.4).

The most productive lands with respect to gravelliness are found to be 39 per cent. 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 very gravelly (35-60%) cover about 4 per cent where only short duration can be grown.

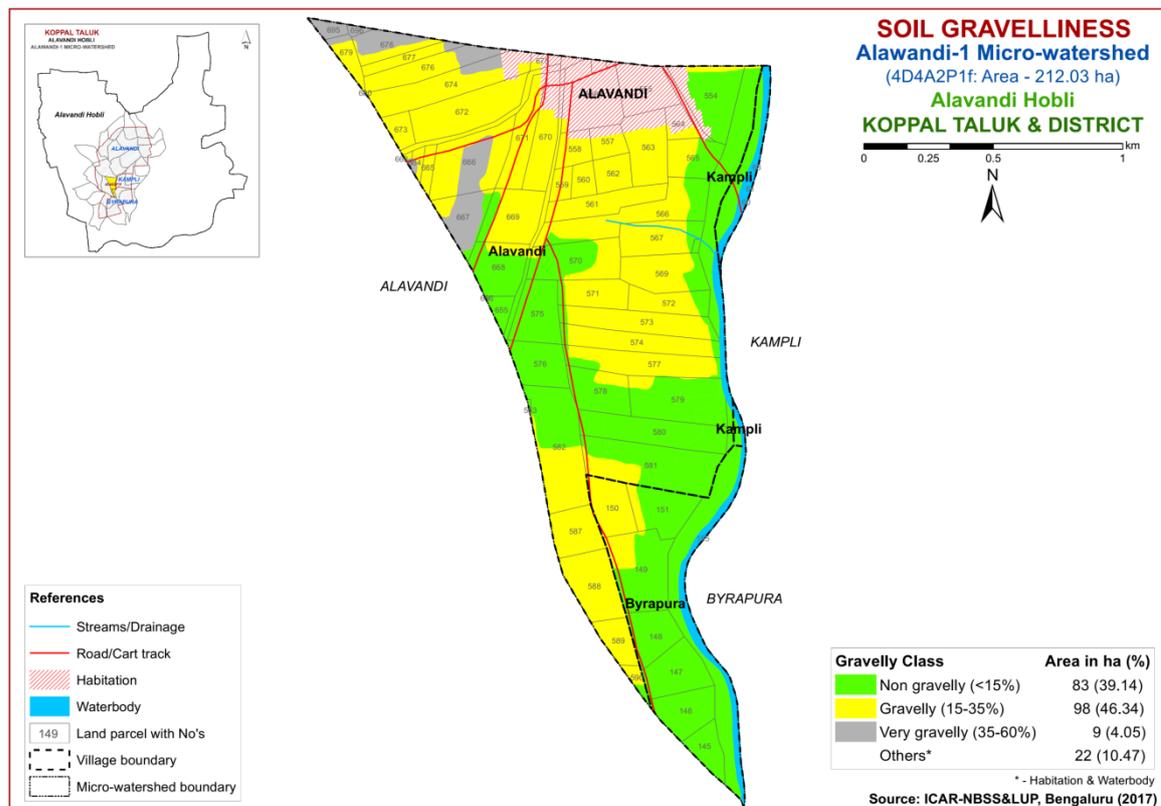


Fig. 5.4 Soil Gravelliness map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## 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. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different AWC classes in the microwatershed is shown in Fig. 5.5.

An area of about 87 ha (41%) in the microwatershed has soils that are very low (<50 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. About 41 ha (19 %) area has soils that are low (51 to 100 mm/m) in available water capacity and are distributed in the eastern and southwestern part of the microwatershed. An area of about 62 ha (29 %) has soils that are very high (>200 mm/min) in available water capacity and distributed in the southern and northern part of the microwatershed.

An area of about 87 ha (41%) in the microwatershed has soils that are problematic with regard to available water capacity. Here, only short duration crops can be grown and the probability of crop failure is very high. These areas are best put to other alternative uses. An area of about 62 ha (29%) has soils that have high potential (>200 mm/m) with regard to available water capacity where all climatically adapted long duration crops can be grown successfully.

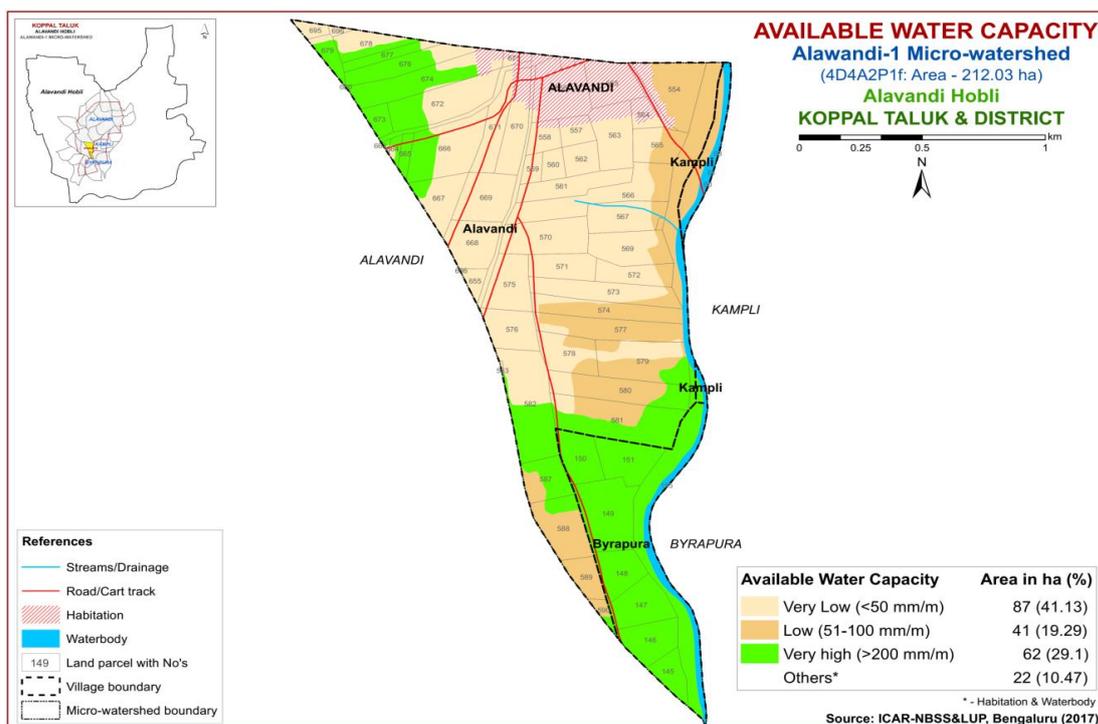


Fig. 5.5 Soil Available Water Capacity map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## 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 two 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).

A small area of about 17 ha (8%) falls under nearly level (0-1% slope) lands and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. Very gently sloping (1-3%) lands cover a maximum area of about 173 ha (82%) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. In all these areas, all climatically adapted annual and perennial crops can be grown without much soil and water conservation and other land development measures.

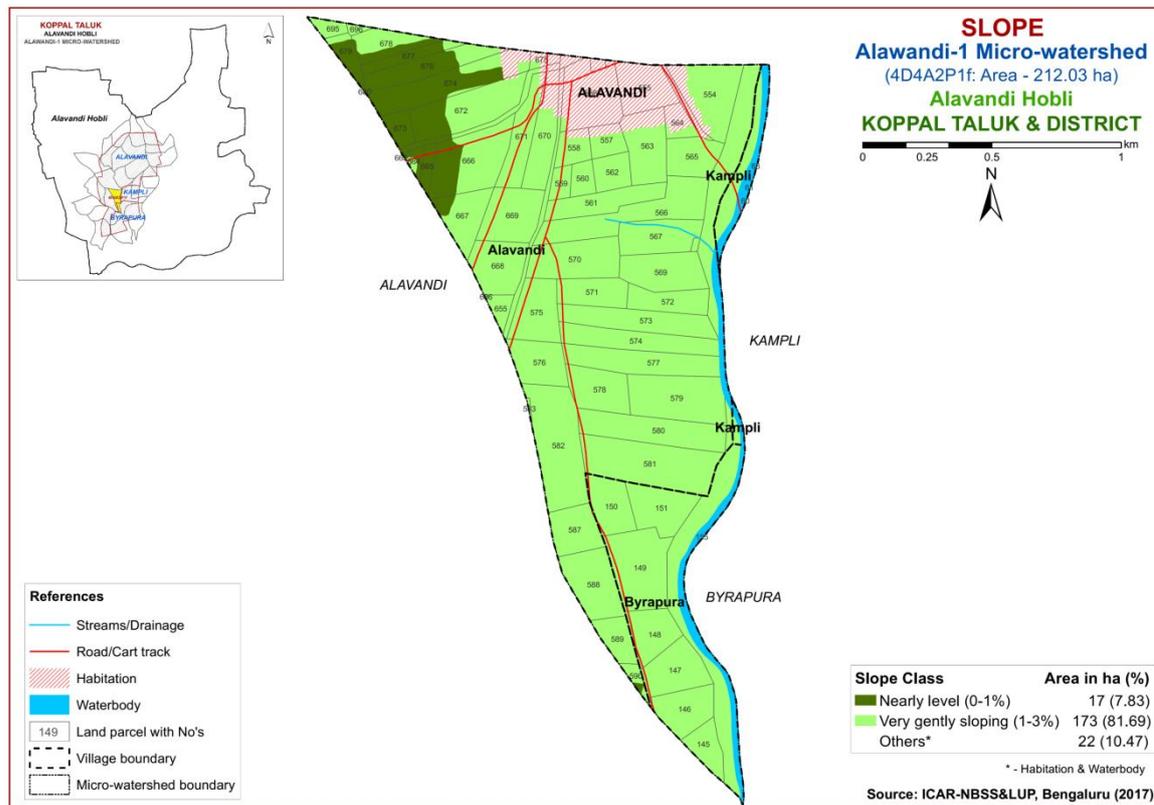


Fig. 5.6 Soil Slope map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## 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.

Slightly eroded lands cover a maximum area of about 141 ha (66%) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of about 49 ha (23%) is moderately eroded (e2 class) and distributed in the eastern and southern part of the microwatershed.

Moderately eroded lands are problematic and need appropriate soil and water conservation and other land development measures.

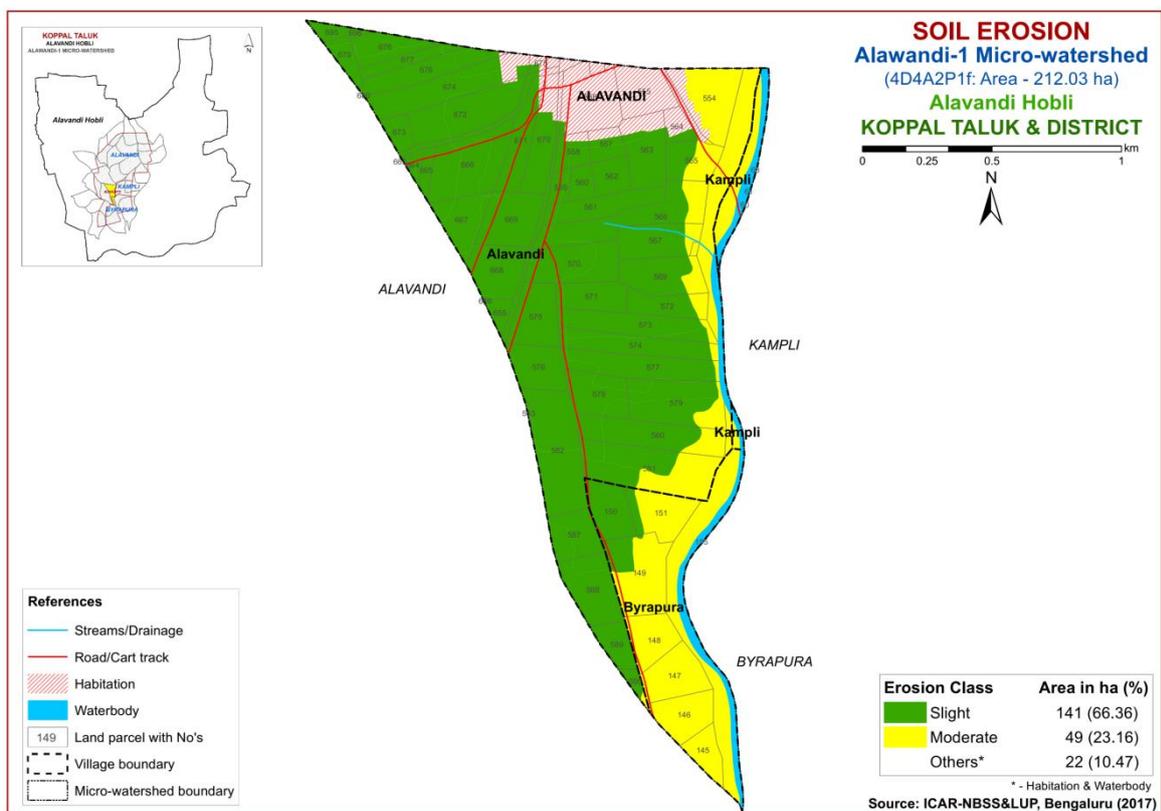


Fig. 5.7 Soil Erosion map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## 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 characterized by low rainfall and high temperatures. Hence, it is necessary to know the fertility (macro and micro nutrients) status of the soils of the watersheds for assessing the kind and amount of fertilizers required for each of the crop intended to be grown. For this purpose, the surface soil samples collected from the grid points (one soil sample at every 250 m grid interval) all over the microwatershed through land resource inventory in the year 2017 were analyzed 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 Alawandi-1 microwatershed for soil reaction (pH) showed that neutral (pH 6.5-7.3) soils cover an area of about 3 ha (2 %) and distributed in the western part of the microwatershed. An area of about 17 ha (8%) is slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8) and is distributed in the western part of the microwatershed. Moderately alkaline soils (pH 7.8-8.4) cover a maximum area of about 133 ha (63%) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. Strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) soils cover about 36 ha (17 %) area and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.1).

### 6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC)

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

### 6.3 Organic Carbon

Maximum area of about 129 ha (61%) is medium (0.5-0.75%) in organic carbon content and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. About 61 ha (29 %) area is high ( $>0.75\%$ ) in OC and distributed in the southern and eastern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.3).

## 6.4 Available Phosphorus

An area of about 59 ha (28%) is low (<23 kg/ha) in available phosphorus and distributed in the southern part of the microwatershed. Available phosphorus is medium (23-57 kg/ha) in maximum area of about 119 ha (56%) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. An area of about 12 ha (6%) is high (>57 kg/ha) in phosphorus and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. The areas with high phosphorus content reduce 25 per cent from the recommended dose to avoid the excess application of fertilizer and apply additional 25% phosphorus in areas where it is low or medium (Fig 6.5).

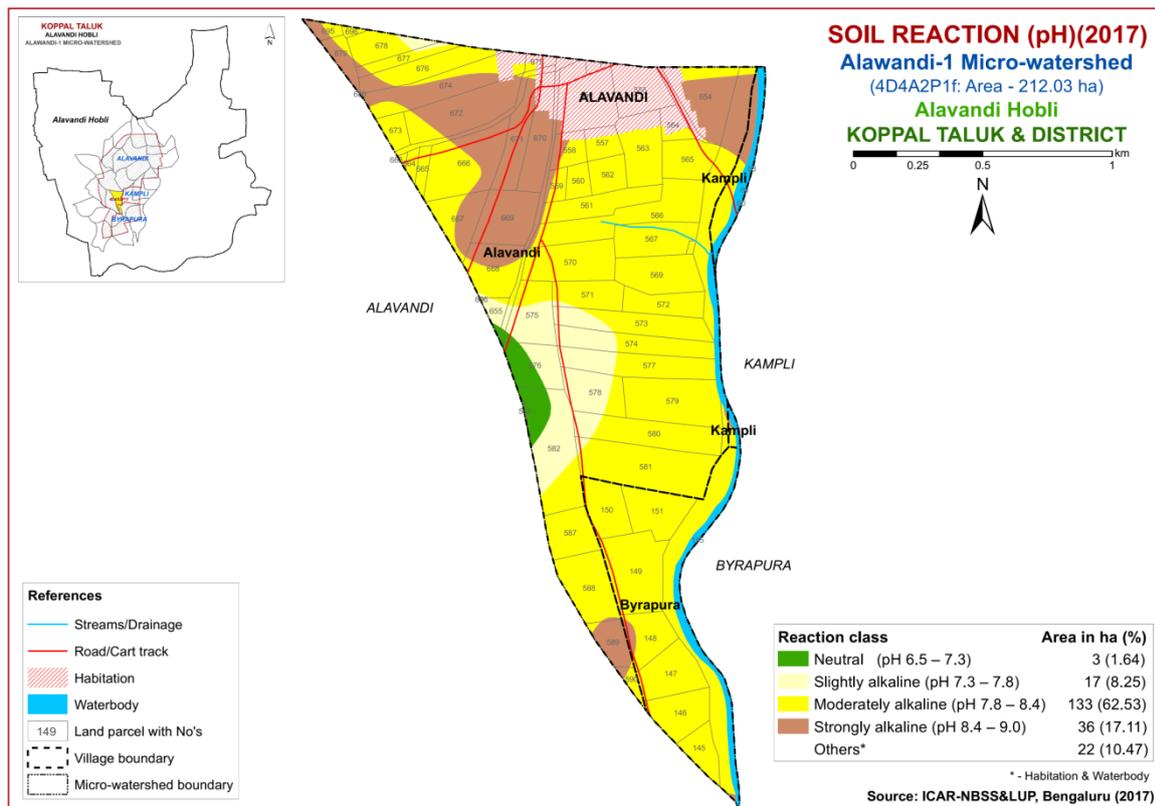


Fig.6.1 Soil Reaction (pH) map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

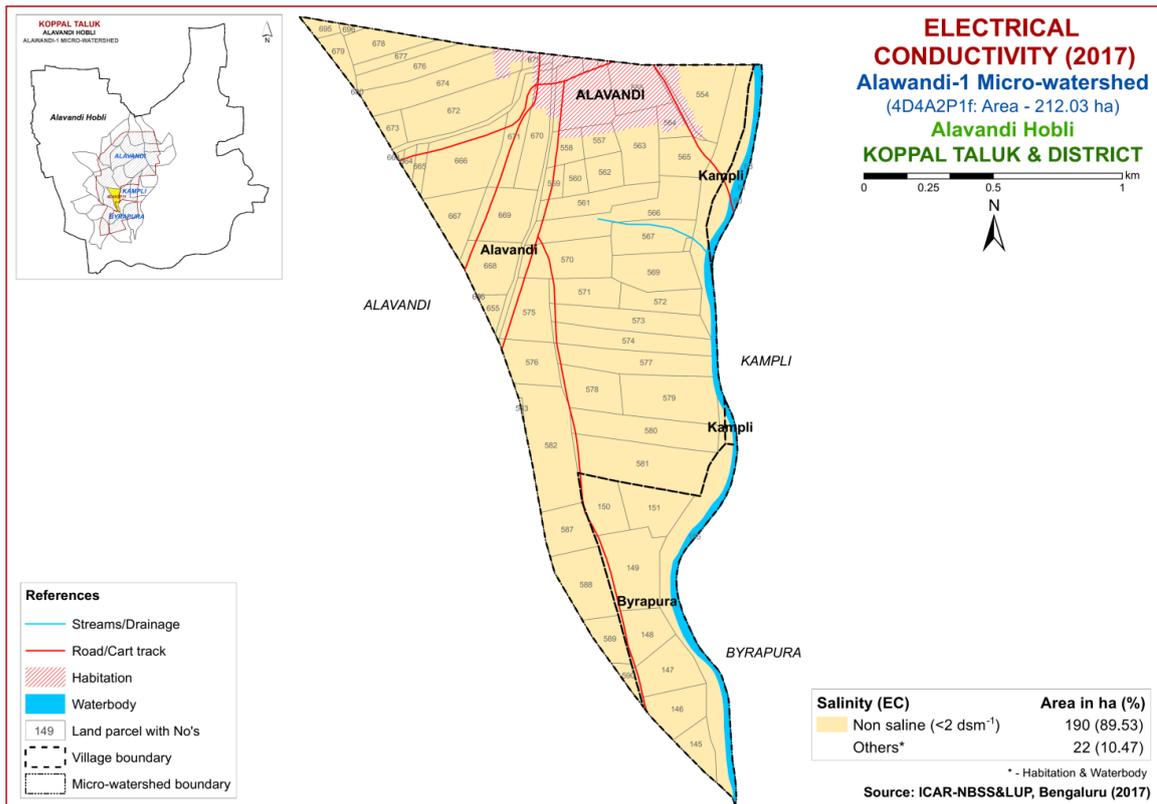


Fig.6.2 Electrical Conductivity (EC) map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

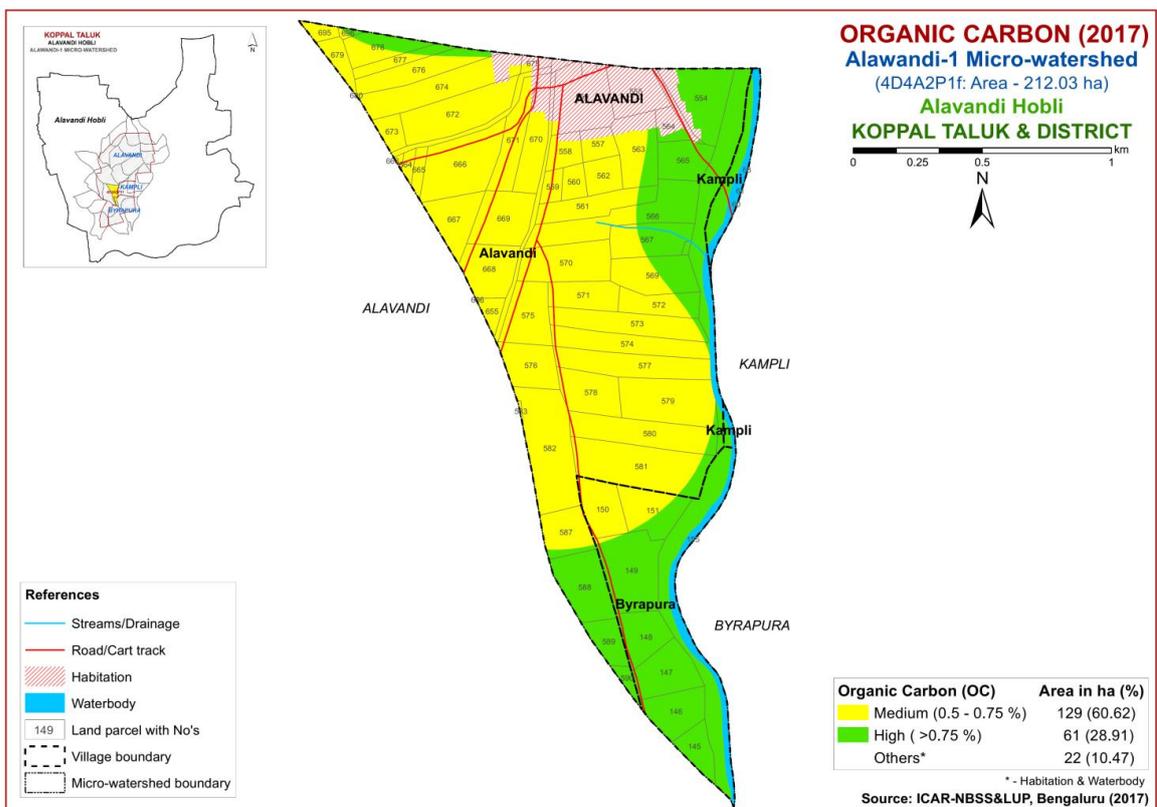


Fig.6.3 Soil Organic Carbon map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

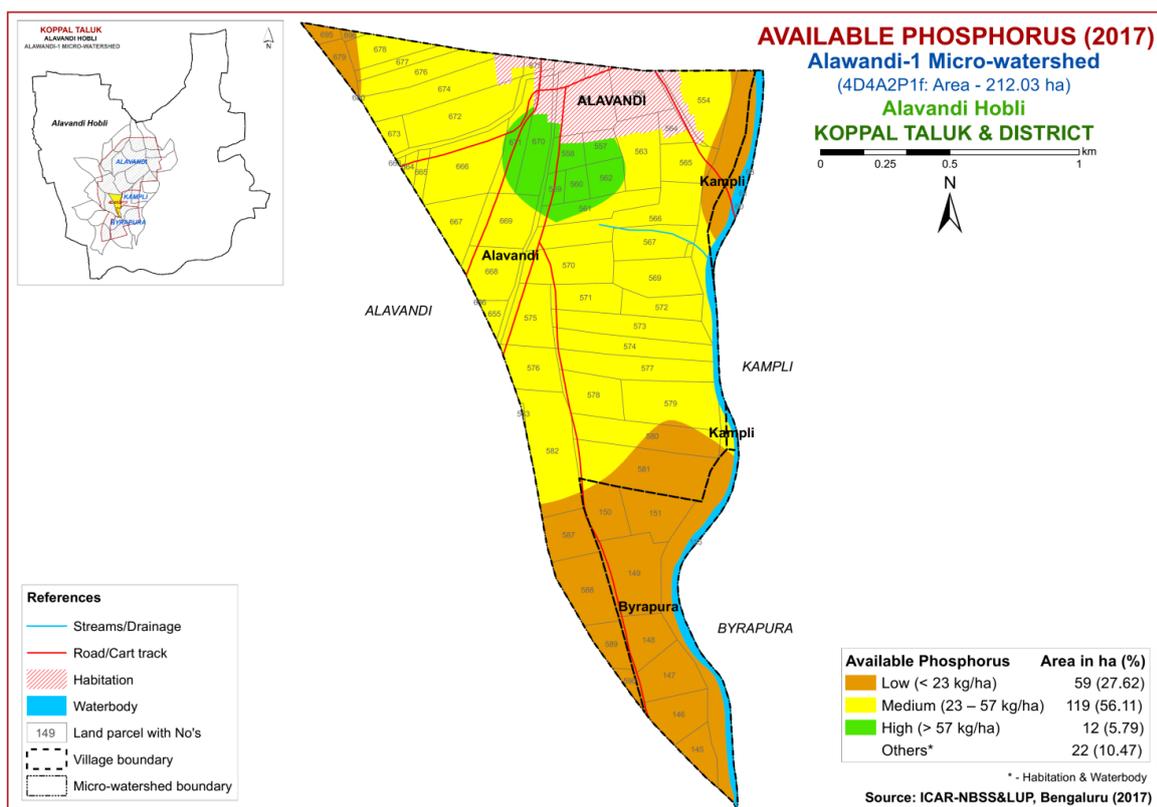


Fig.6.4 Soil Available Phosphorus map of Alavandi-1Microwatershed

## 6.5 Available Potassium

An area of about 63 ha (30 %) is medium (145-337 kg/ha) in available potassium content and distributed in the western and central part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 127 ha (60 %) is high in available potassium content and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. The areas with high potassium content reduce 25 per cent from the recommended dose to avoid the excess application of fertilizer and apply additional 25% potassium in areas where it is medium (Fig 6.5).

## 6.6 Available Sulphur

Soil analysis of available sulphur content in Alavandi-1 microwatershed showed that an area of about 36 ha (17 %) is low (<10 ppm) in available sulphur and distributed in the central and southwestern part of the microwatershed. An area of about 56 ha (26%) is medium (10-20 ppm) and distributed in the western and central part of the microwatershed. About 97 ha (46%) is high (>20ppm) in available sulphur and distributed in the northern and southeastern part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.6). The areas that are low and medium in available sulphur need to be applied with magnesium sulphate or gypsum or factomphos (p) fertilizer (13% sulphur) for 2-3 years for the deficiency to be corrected.

## 6.7 Available Boron

Soil analysis of available boron content in Alawandi-1 microwatershed showed that an area of about 73 ha (34%) is low (<0.5ppm) in available boron content and distributed in the central part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 117 ha (55 %) is medium (0.5-1.0ppm) in available boron content and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig.6.7).

## 6.8 Available Iron

Available iron content in the soils of the Alawandi-1 microwatershed is deficient (<4.5 ppm) in maximum area of about 169 ha (80 %) and distributed in the major part. An area of about 21 ha (10 %) showed sufficiency (>4.5 ppm) with respect to iron content and distributed in the northern and western part of the microwatershed (Fig 6.8).

## 6.9 Available Manganese

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

## 6.10 Available Copper

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

## 6.11 Available Zinc

Available zinc content is deficient (<0.6 ppm) in an area of about 58 ha (27%) and distributed in the southern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 132 ha (62 %) is sufficient (>0.6) in zinc content and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed (Fig 6.11).

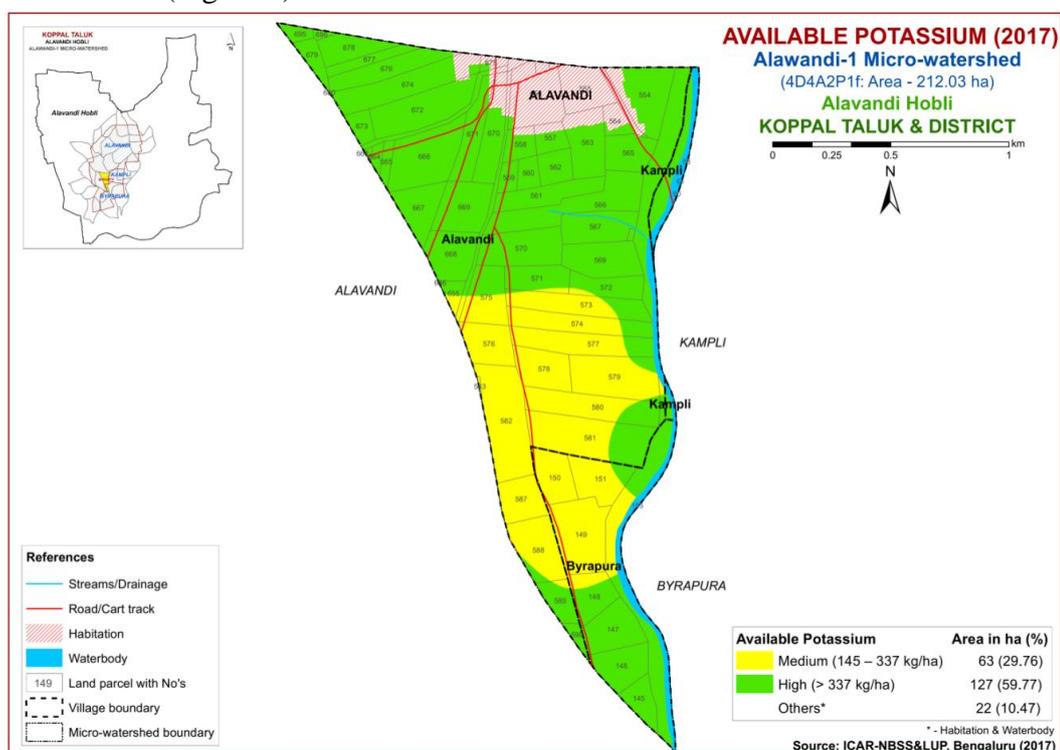


Fig.6.5 Soil Available Potassium map of Alawandi-1 Microwatershed

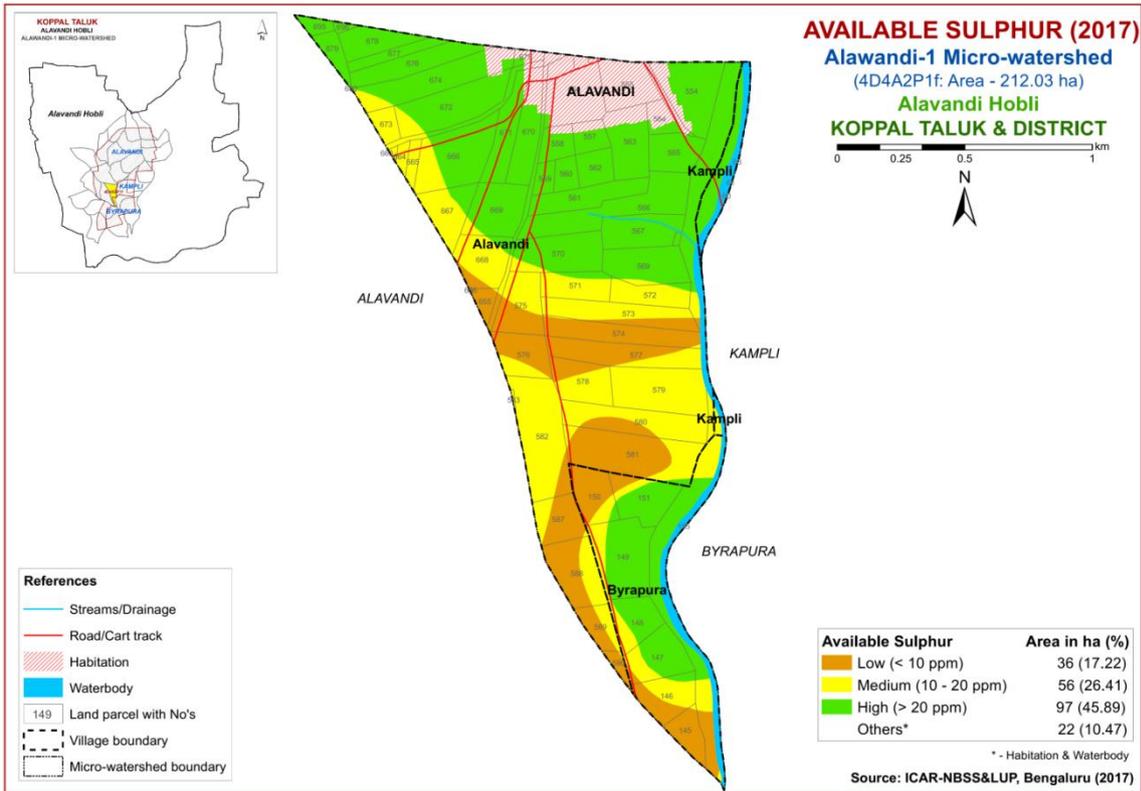


Fig.6.6 Soil Available Sulphur map of Alavandi-1Microwatershed

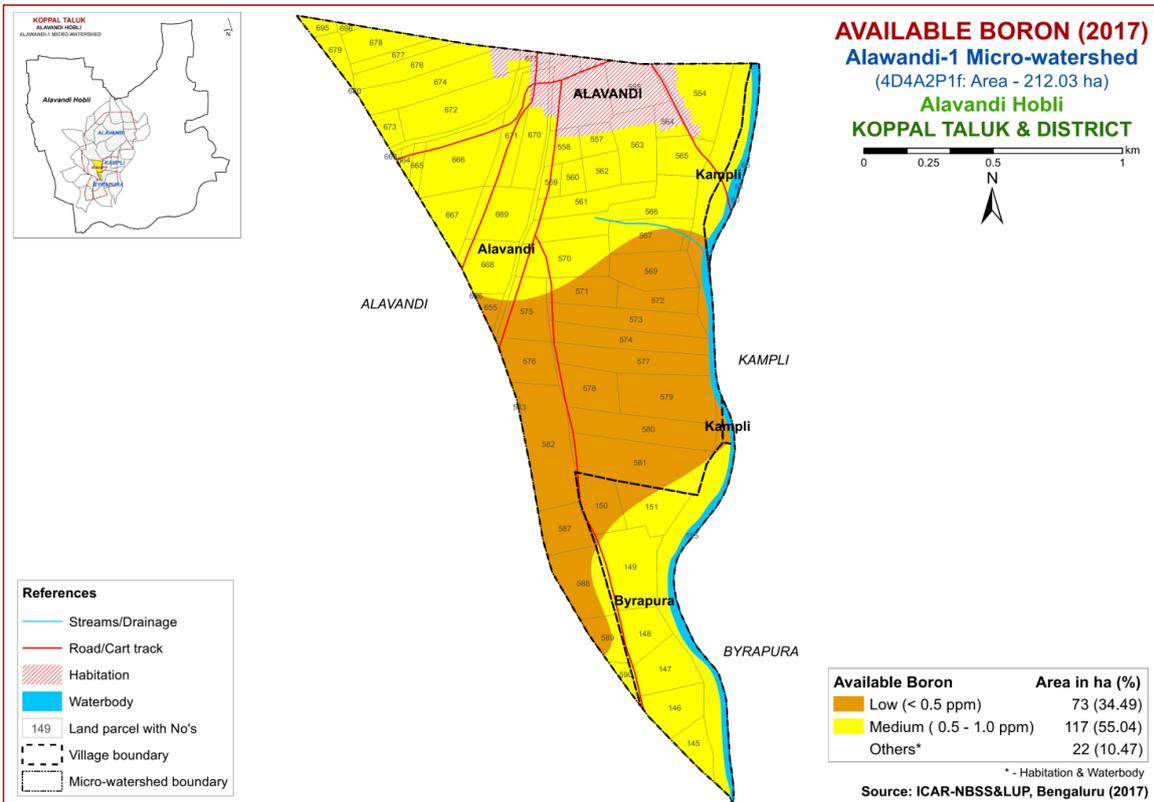


Fig.6.7 Soil Available Boron map of Alavandi-1Microwatershed

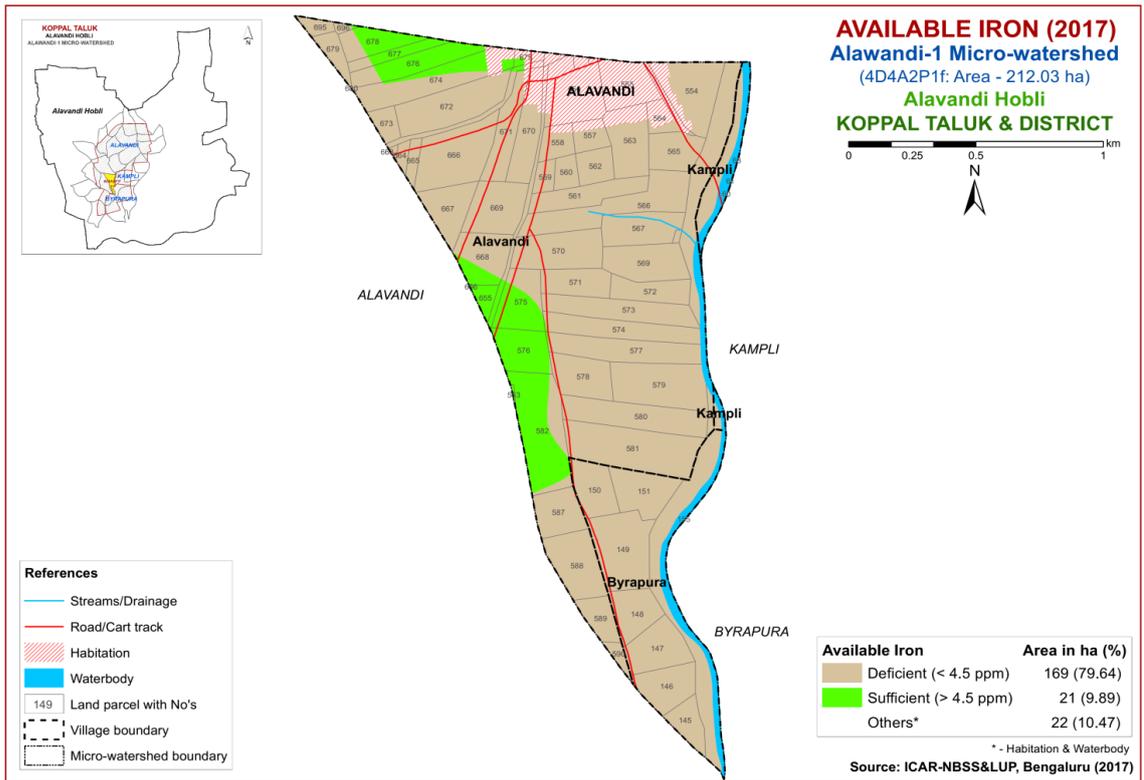


Fig.6.8 Soil Available Iron map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

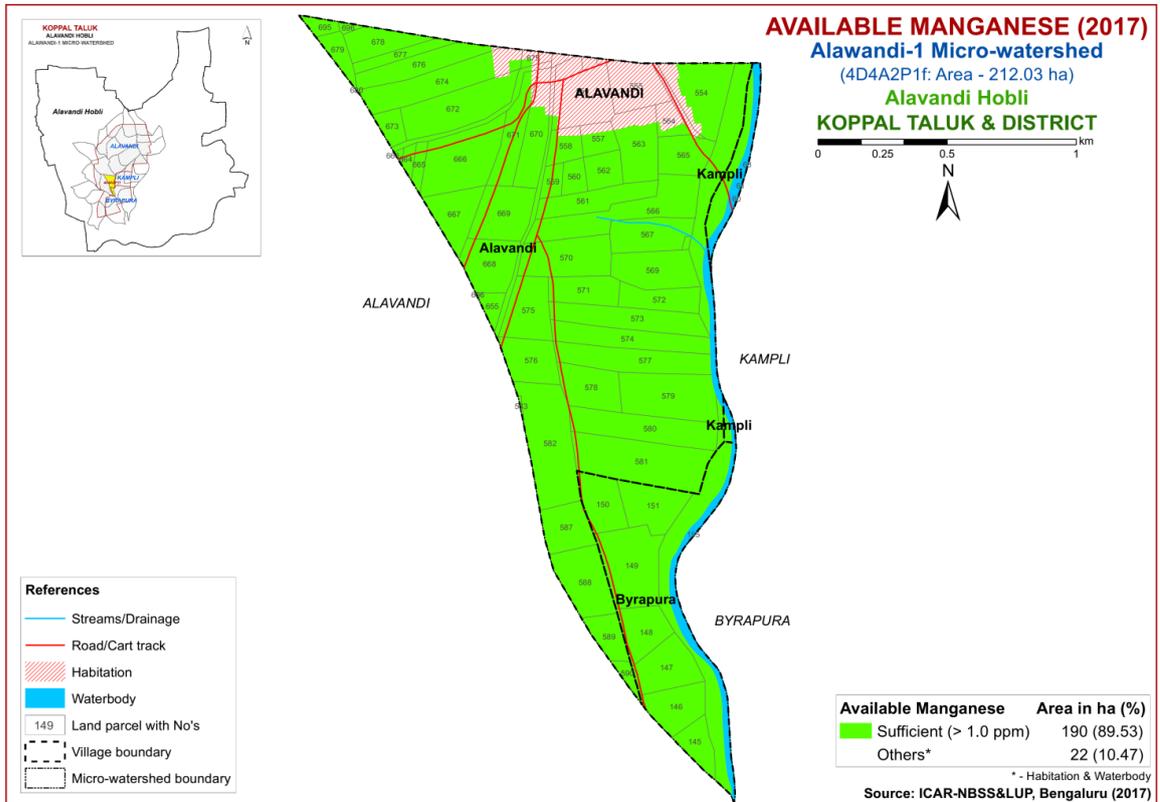


Fig.6.9 Soil Available Manganese map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

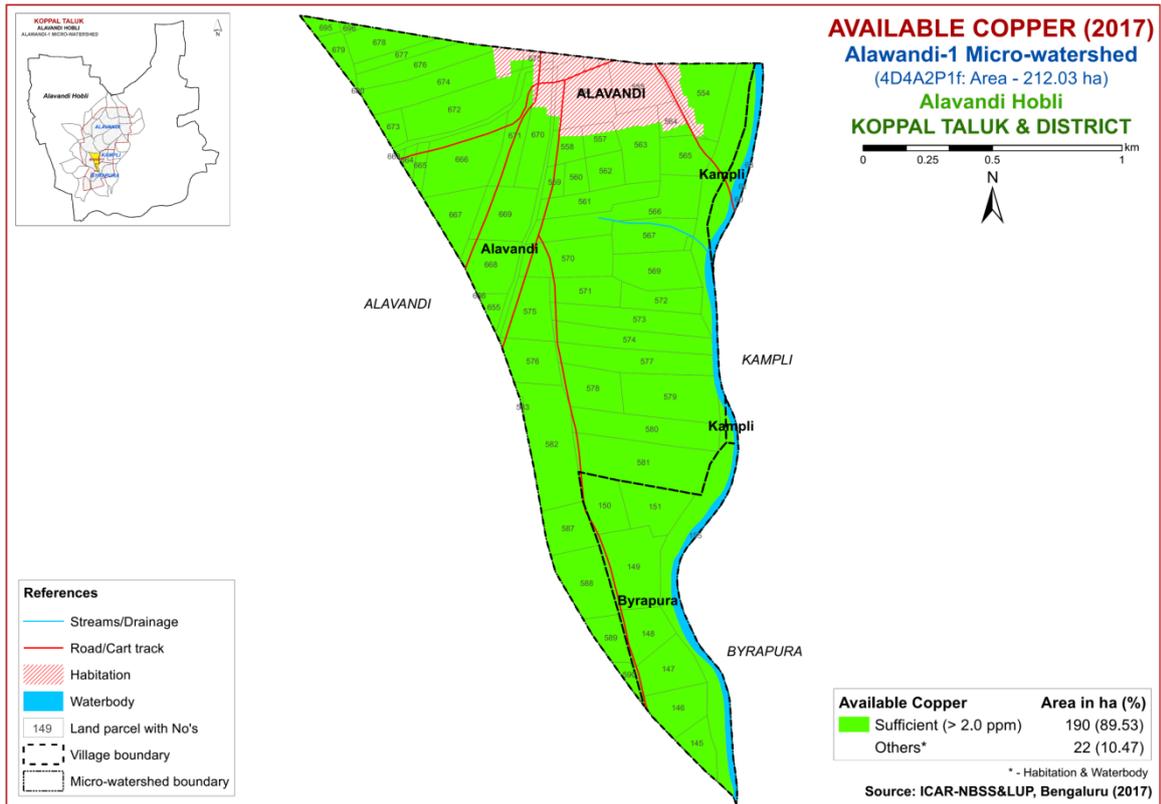


Fig.6.10 Soil Available Copper map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

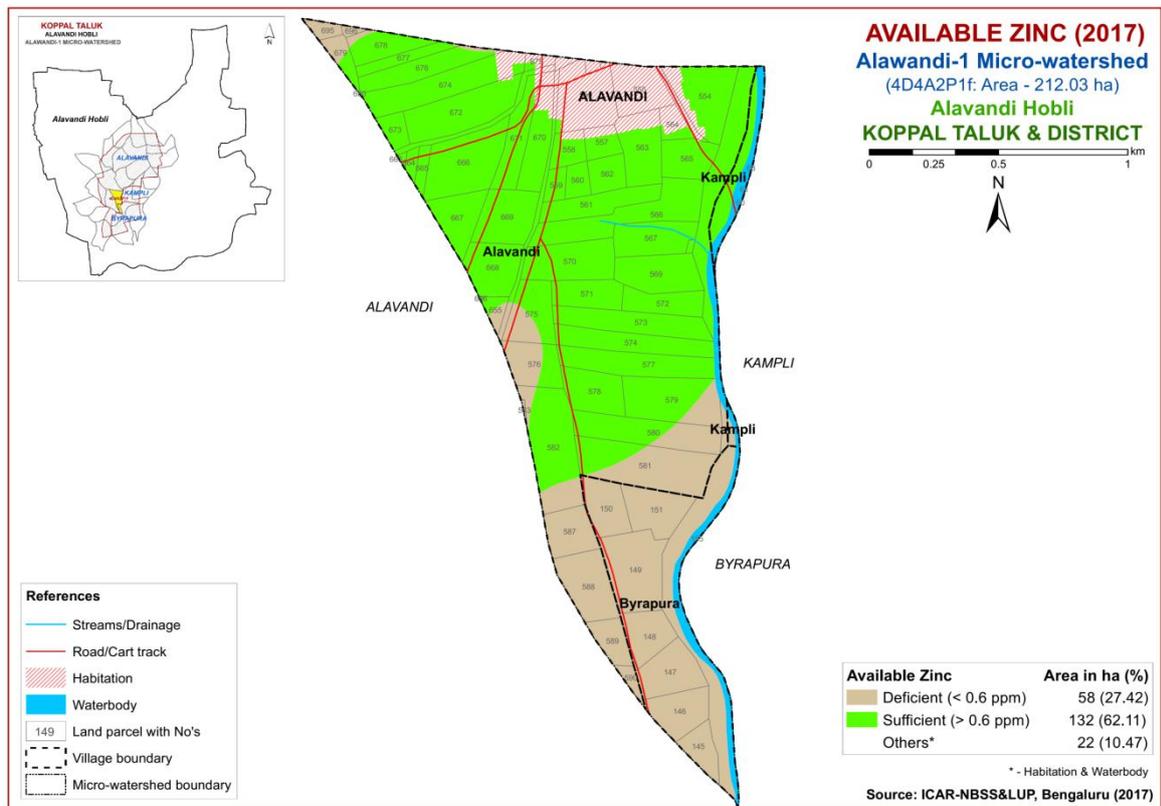


Fig.6.11 Soil Available Zinc map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

## LAND SUITABILITY FOR MAJOR CROPS

The soil and land resource units (soil phases) of Alawandi-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 were matched with the soil and land characteristics (Table 7.1) to arrive at the crop suitability. In FAO land suitability classification, two orders are recognized. Order S- Suitable and Order N- Not suitable. The orders have classes, subclasses and units. Order-S has three classes, Class S1- Highly Suitable, Class S2- Moderately Suitable and Class S3- Marginally Suitable. Order N has two Classes, N1- Currently not Suitable and N2- Permanently not Suitable. There are no subclasses within the Class S1 as they will have very minor or no limitations for crop growth. Classes S2, S3 and N1 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, ‘s’ sodium ‘z’ for calcareousness 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 28 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 crop grown in Karnataka in an area of 10.47 lakh ha in Bijapur, Gulbarga, Raichur, Bidar, Belgaum, Dharwad, Bellary, Chitradurga, Mysore and Chamarajnar district. The crop requirements for growing sorghum (Table 7.2) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing sorghum was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.1.

There are no highly (S1) suitable (S2) lands available for growing sorghum. Maximum area of about 153 ha (72%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing sorghum and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of calcareousness, gravelliness and rooting depth.

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

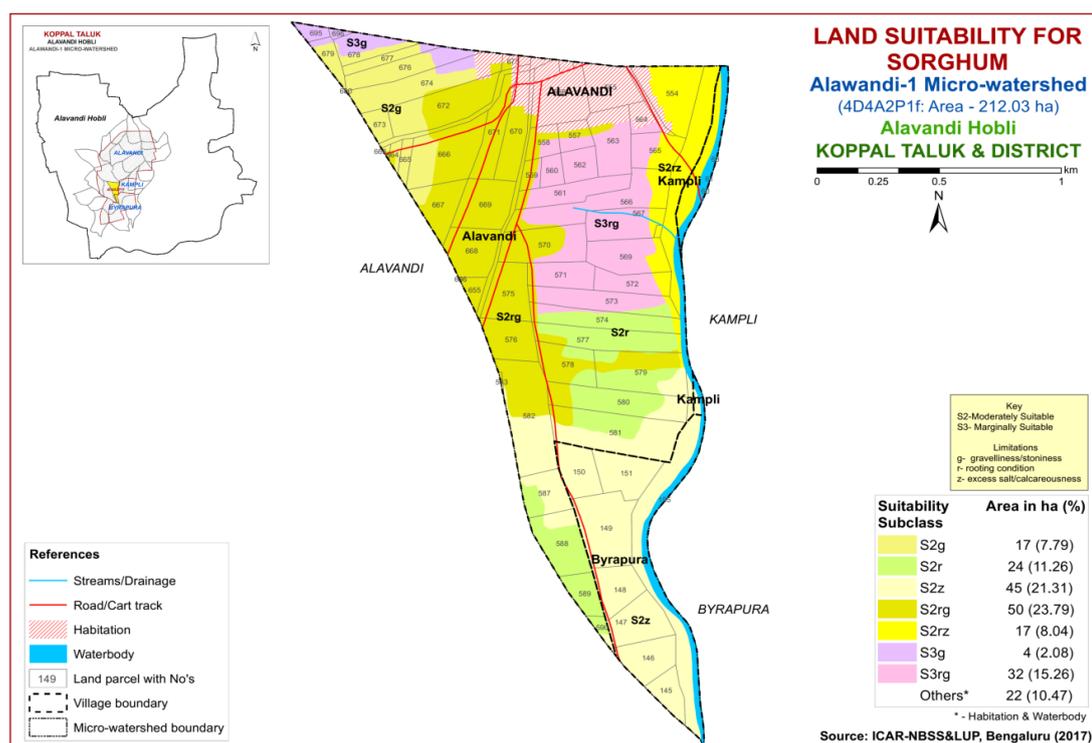
Soil Map Units	Climate (P) (mm)	Growing period (Days)	Drainage Class	Soil depth (cm)	Soil texture		Gravelliness		AWC (mm/m)	Slope (%)	Erosion	pH	EC (dSm <sup>-1</sup> )	ESP	CEC [Cmol (p <sup>+</sup> )kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	BS (%)
					Surface	Sub-surface	Surface	Sub-surface								
KGPiB1g1	662	<90	WD	25-50	sc	gscl-gsc	15-35	15-35	51-100	1-3	slight	-	-	-	-	-
KTPcB1g1	662	<90	WD	50-75	sl	scl	15-35	15-35	101-150	1-3	slight	-	-	-	-	-
KTPiB1	662	<90	WD	50-75	sc	scl	-	15-35	101-150	1-3	slight	-	-	-	-	-
MKHhB1	662	<90	WD	50-75	scl	gscl	-	>35	51-100	1-3	slight	7.38	0.09	1.49	14.84	-
MKHhB1g1	662	<90	WD	50-75	scl	gscl	15-35	>35	51-100	1-3	slight	7.38	0.09	1.49	14.84	-
MKHhB1g2	662	<90	WD	50-75	scl	gscl	35-60	>35	51-100	1-3	slight	7.38	0.09	1.49	14.84	-
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RNKmB2	662	<90	MWD	50-75	c	c	-	<15	51-100	1-3	moderate	8.86	0.48	16.94	37.00	-
RNKmB2g1	662	<90	MWD	50-75	c	c	15-35	<15	51-100	1-3	moderate	8.86	0.48	16.94	37.00	-
HDLmA1g1	662	<90	MWD	100-150	c	c	15-35	-	>200	0-1	slight	9.06	0.37	12.72	62.33	-
MLRhB1g1	662	<90	MWD	75-100	scl	c	15-35	10-20	>200	1--3	slight	9.19	0.37	13.48	42.08	-
MLRmB2	662	<90	MWD	>150	c	c	-	10-20	>200	1-3	moderate	9.19	0.37	13.48	42.08	-
AWDmA1	662	<90	MWD	>150	c	c	-	<15	>200	0-1	slight	-	-	-	-	-

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

An area of about 36 ha (17%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing sorghum and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting depth.

**Table 7.2 Crop suitability criteria for Sorghum**

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



**Fig. 7.1 Land Suitability map of Sorghum**

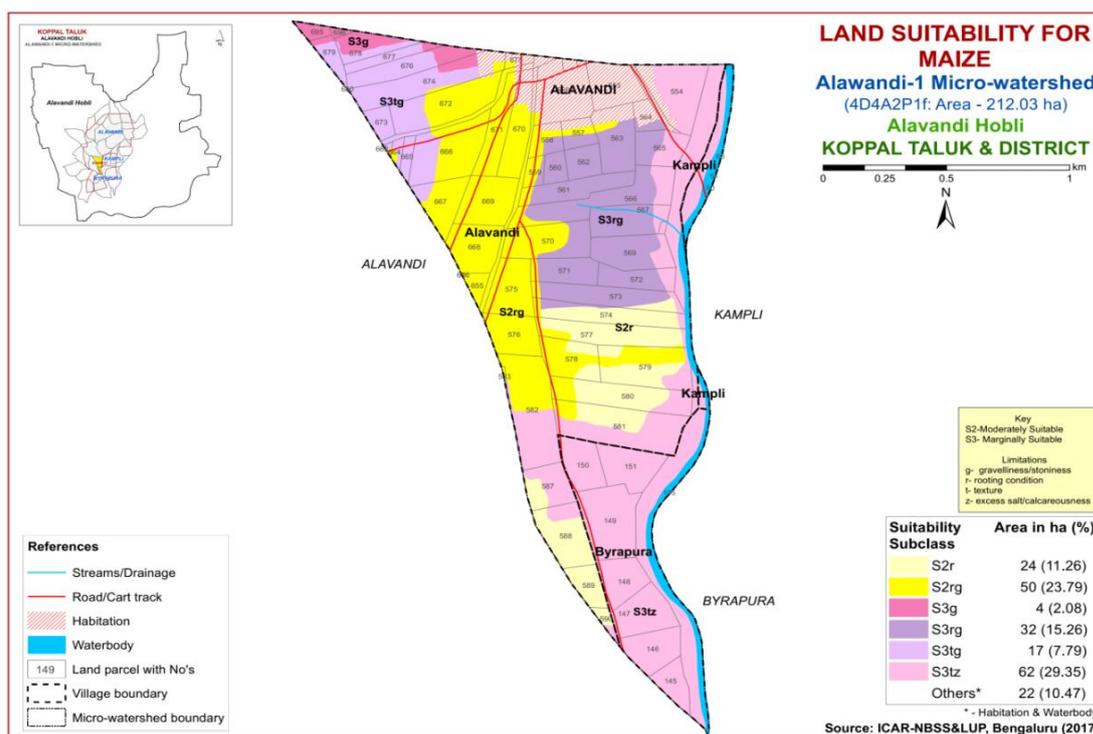
## 7.2 Land Suitability for Maize (*Zea mays*)

Maize is 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 are given in Figure 7.2.

**Table 7.3 Crop suitability criteria for Maize**

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



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

There are no highly (S1) suitable lands for growing maize. Moderately suitable (S2) lands cover an area of about 74 ha (35%) and distributed in the western, northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 115 ha (54 %) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

### 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 Karnataka in the northern districts. The crop requirements (Table 7.4) for growing bajra 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.

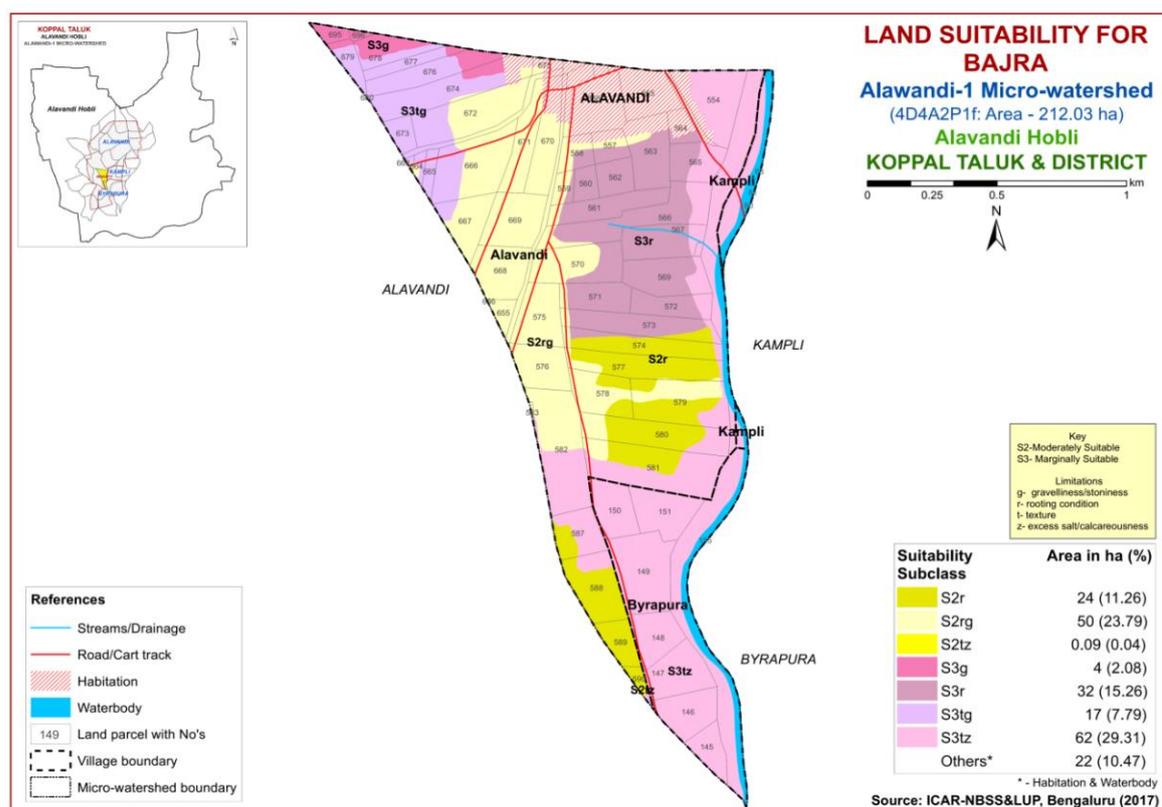


Fig. 7.3 Land Suitability map of Bajra

Table 7.4 Crop suitability criteria for Bajra

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable (S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable (S3)	Not suitable (N)
Slope	%	2-3	3-8	8-15	>15
LGP	Days	120-150	120-90	<90	
Soil drainage	Class	Well to mod.Well drained	imperfect	Poorly/excess ively	V.poorly
Soil reaction	pH	5.5-8.0	5.0-5.5 7.8-8.4	8.4-9.0	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	c(red), sicl, sc,sl, cl	l, c (black) scl, sil, sic	sl, ls	S, fragmental skeletal
Soil depth	cm	100-75	50-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	15-35	35-60	60-80	-
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	2-4	4-8	8-10	>10
Sodicity (ESP)	%	5-8	8-10	10-15	>15

There are no highly (S1) suitable lands for growing bajra. Moderately suitable (S2) lands cover an area of about 74 ha (35%) and distributed in the western, northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture, calcareousness and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 115 ha (54 %) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

#### 7.4 Land Suitability for Redgram (*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 7.5) 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 7.4.

An area of about 62 ha (29%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing redgram and occur in the southern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture and calcareousness. Marginally suitable lands (Class S3) occupy maximum area of about 95 ha (45%) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and calcareousness. Area not suitable (Class N1) for growing redgram cover about 32 ha (15 %) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

**Table 7.5 Land suitability criteria for Red gram**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil –site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>210	180-210	150-180	<150
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.5-7.5	5.0-6.5 7.6-8.0	8.0-9.0	>9.0
Sub Surface soil texture	Class	l, scl, sil, cl, sl	sicl, sic, c(m)	ls	
Soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	3-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	dsm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	

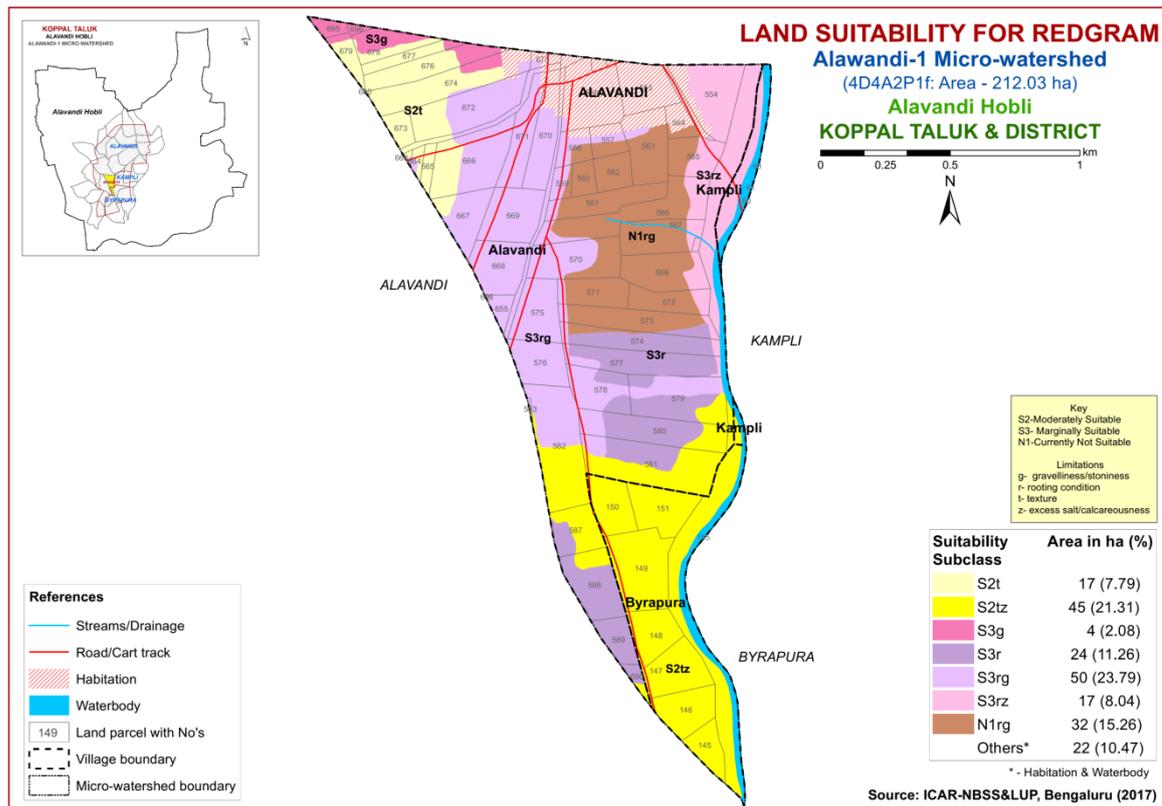


Fig. 7.4 Land Suitability map of Redgram

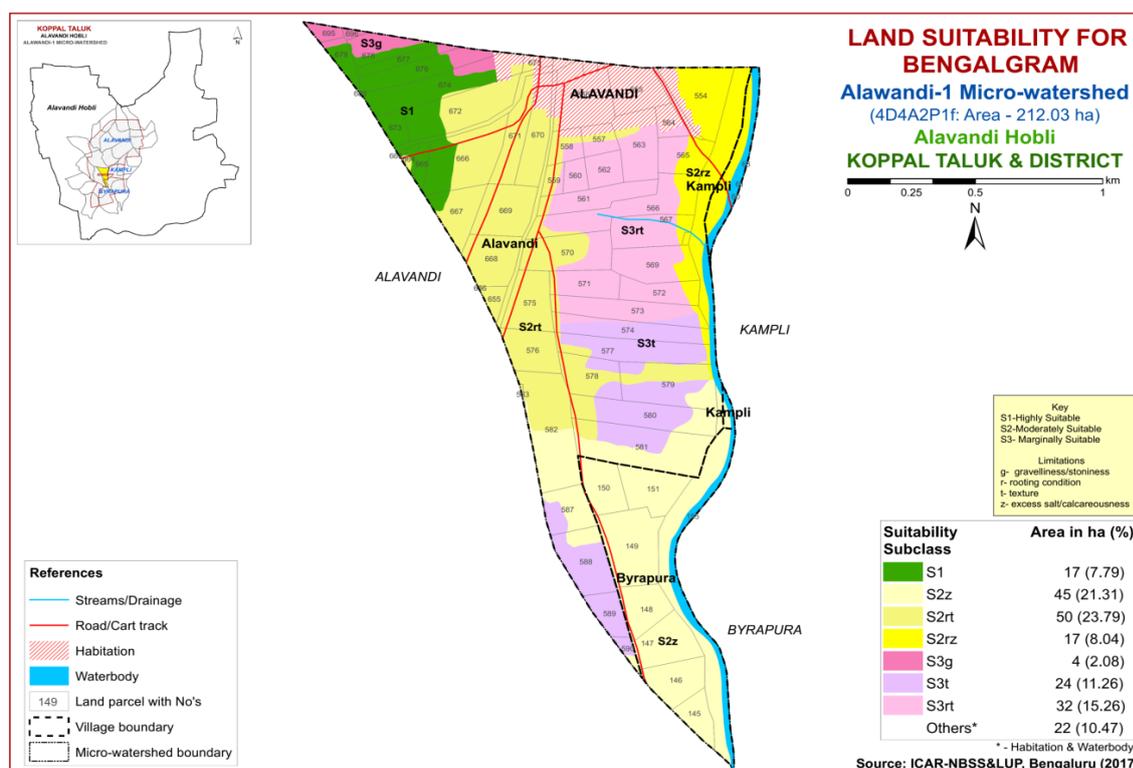
### 7.5 Land Suitability for Bengal gram (*Cicer arietinum*)

Bengal gram 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 Bengal gram (Table 7.6) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) of the soils of the microwatershed and a land suitability map for growing Bengal gram was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.5.

An area of about 17 ha (8%) in the microwatershed has soils that are highly suitable (Class S1) for growing Bengal gram and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 112 ha (53%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing bengalgram and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and texture. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 60 ha (29 %) and are distributed in the southwestern, northern and central part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture and rooting depth.

**Table 7.6 Crop suitability criteria for Bengal gram**

Crop requirement		Rating			
Soil-site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	>10
LGP	Days	>100	90-100	70-90	<70
Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Mod. to well drained; Imp.drained	P.drained; excessively drained	Very Poorly drained
Soil reaction	pH	6.0-7.5	5.5-5.77.6-8.0	8.1-9.0;4.5-5.4	>9.0
Surface soil texture	Class	l, scl, sil, cl,	sicl, sic, c	Sl, c>60%	S, fragmental
Soil depth	cm	>75	51-75	25-50	<25
Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	35-60	>60
Salinity (EC)	dSm <sup>-1</sup>	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	
Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	



**Fig. 7.5 Land Suitability map of Bengal gram**

### 7.6 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 7.7) 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 7.6.

An area of about 74 ha (35%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing groundnut and distributed in the central, western and northern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness. Maximum area of about 115 ha (54 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing groundnut and occupy the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

**Table 7.7 Crop suitability criteria for Groundnut**

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

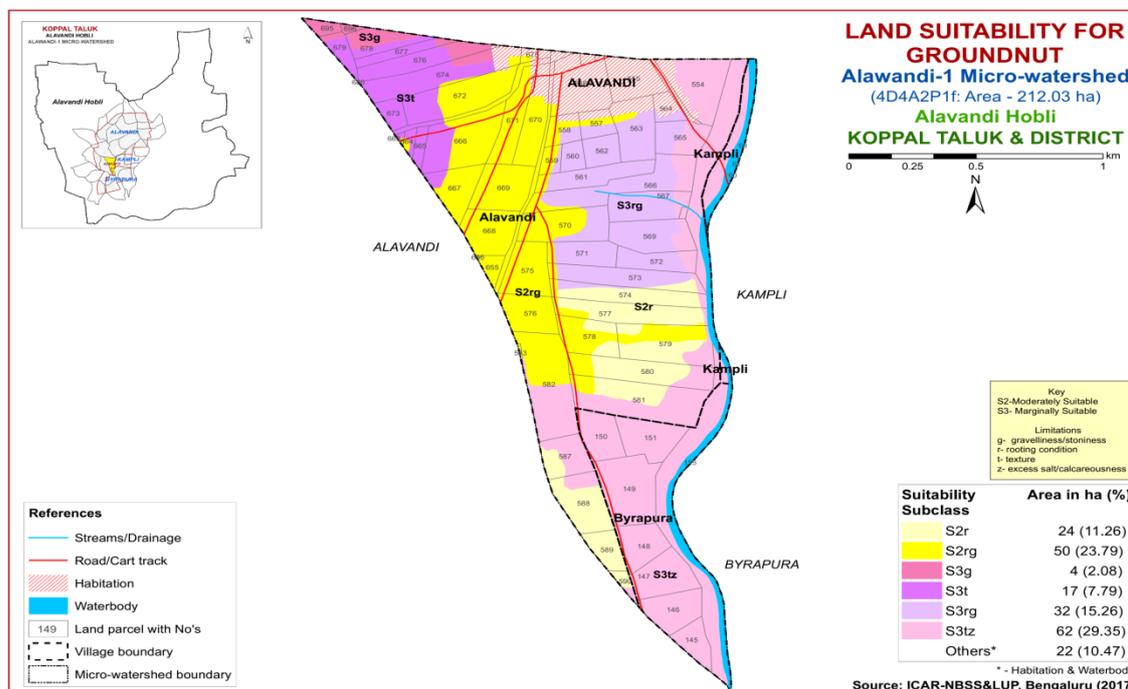


Fig. 7.6 Land Suitability map of Groundnut

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

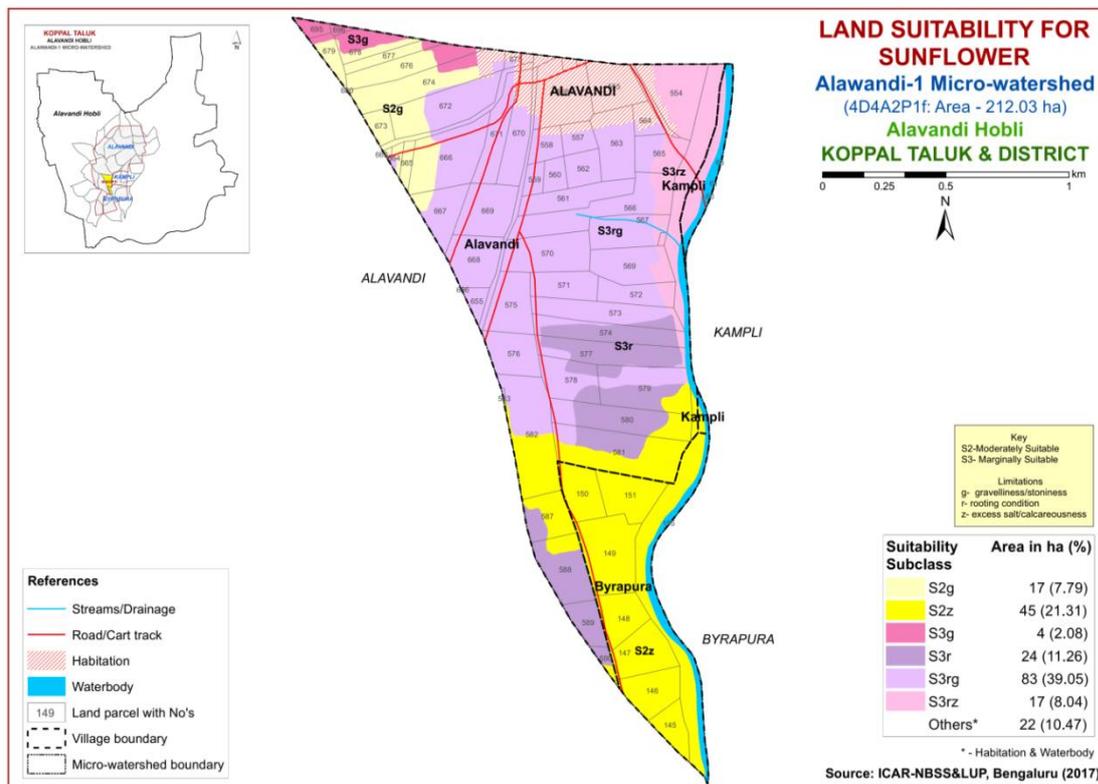
Sunflower is one of the most important oilseed crop grown in an area of 3.56 lakh ha in the State in all the districts. The crop requirements for growing sunflower (Table

7.8) 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 7.7.

An area of about 62 ha (29 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and distributed in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands occupy maximum area of about 128 ha (60%) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and gravelliness.

**Table 7.8 Crop suitability criteria for Sunflower**

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



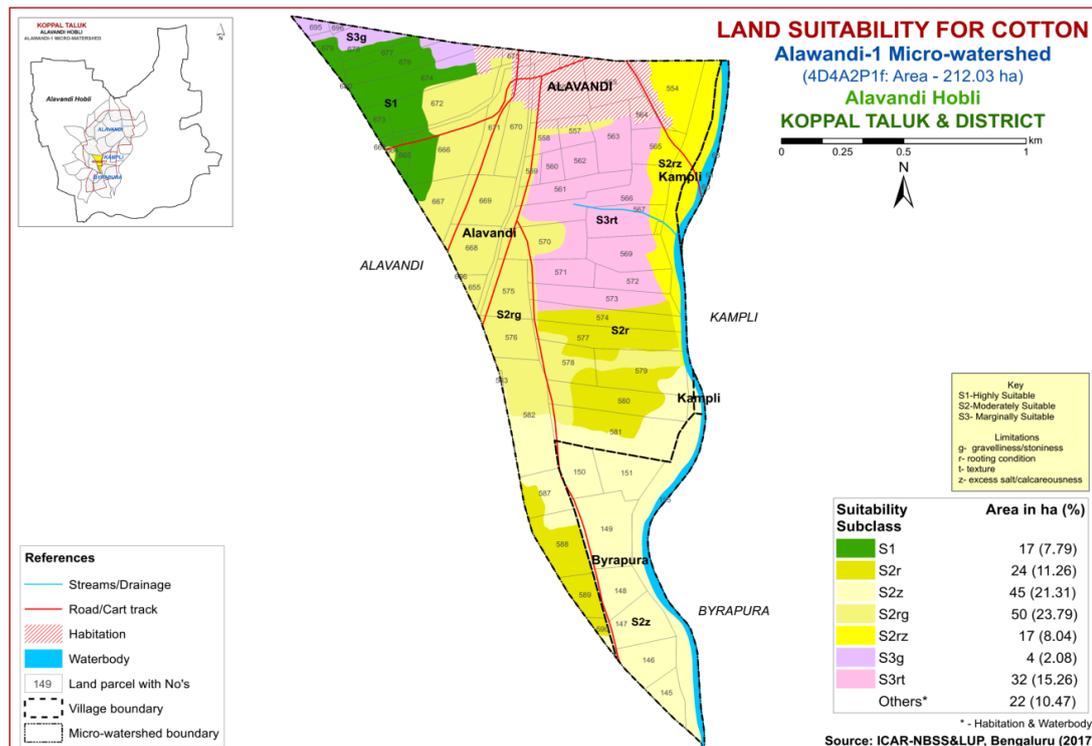
**Fig. 7.7 Land Suitability map of Sunflower**

### 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 Chamarajnar 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.

**Table 7.9 Crop suitability criteria for Cotton**

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



**Fig. 7.8 Land Suitability map of Cotton**

An area of about 17 ha (8 %) in the microwatershed has soils that are highly suitable (Class S1) for growing cotton and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. Maximum area of about 136 ha (64 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing cotton and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 36 ha (17 %) and are distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, rooting depth and texture.

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

Chilli is one of the major fruit and spice crop grown in an area of 0.42 lakh ha in Karnataka State. The crop requirements for growing chilli (Table 7.10) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) 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.

There are no highly (S1) suitable lands for growing Chilli. Moderately (S2) suitable lands cover an area of about 74 ha (35%) and distributed in the western, central and northern part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, calcareousness and texture. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 115 ha (54 %) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

**Table 7.10 Crop suitability criteria for Chilli**

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

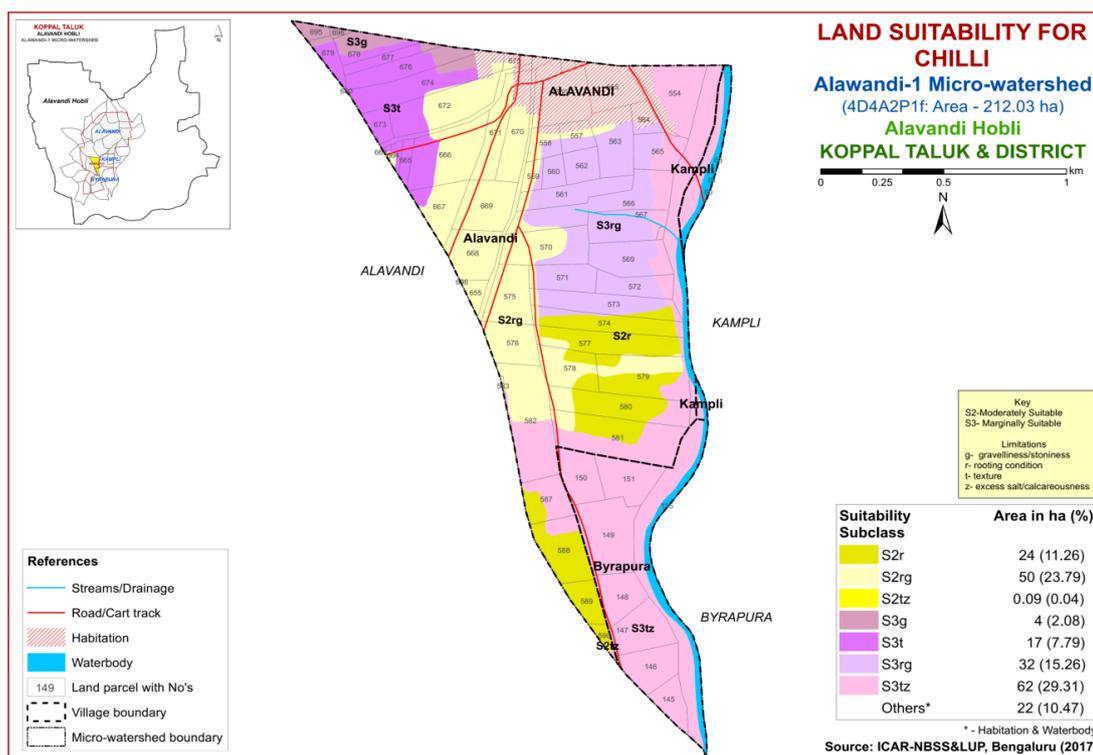


Fig. 7.9 Land Suitability map of Chilli

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

Tomato is one of the most important vegetable and fruit 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 7.1) 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.

Table 7.11 Crop suitability criteria for Tomato

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil-site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season	°c	25-28	29-32	15-19	<15
				20-24	33-36	>36
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod.well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	l, sl, cl, scl	sic,siel,sc,c(m/k)	c (ss)	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.0	5.0-5.9:7.1-8.5	<5;>8.5	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	slight	strongly	
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	>10

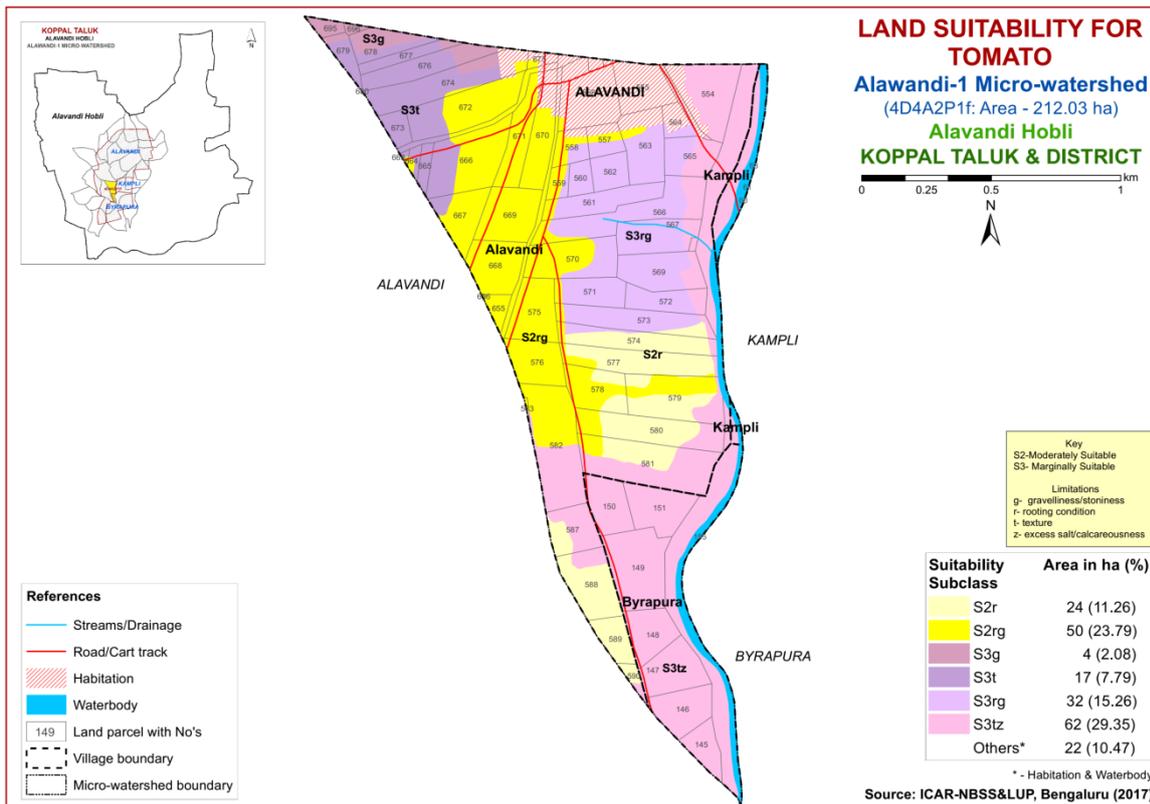


Fig. 7.10 Land Suitability map of Tomato

There are no highly (S1) suitable lands for growing tomato. Moderately (S2) suitable lands cover an area of about 74 ha (35%) and distributed in the western, central and northern part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 115 ha (54 %) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

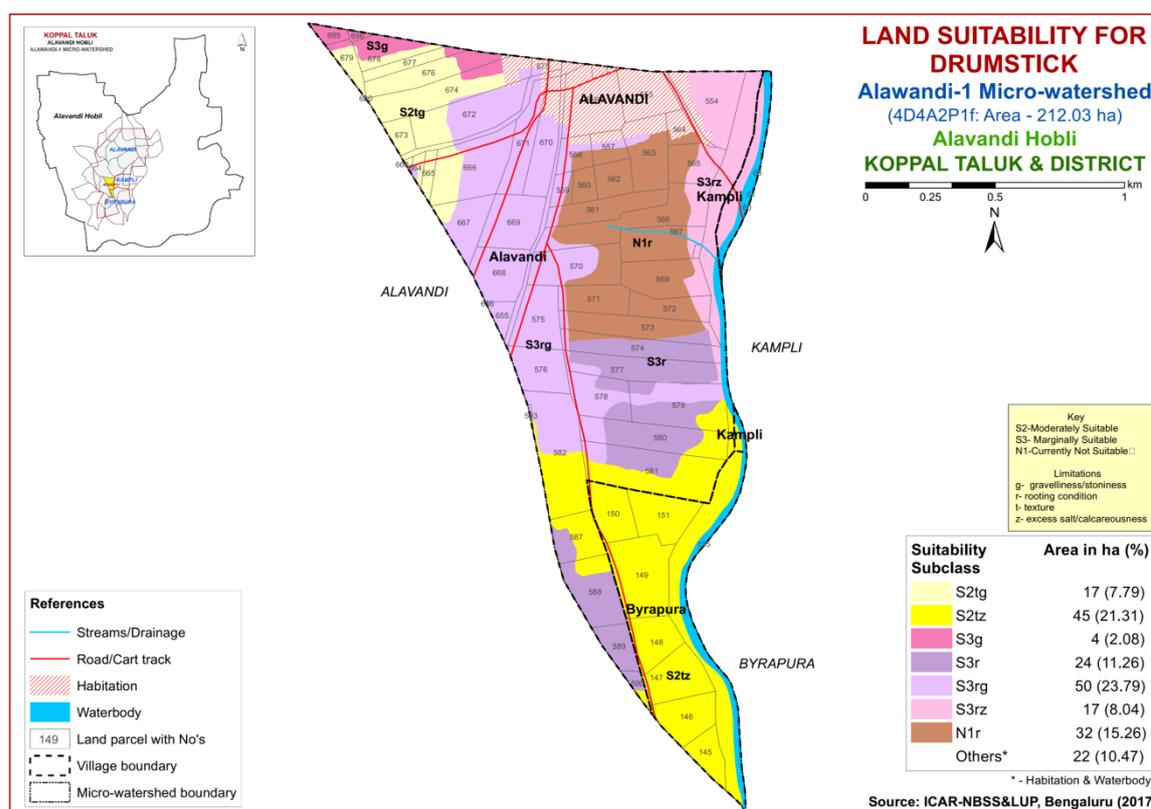
### 7.11 Land Suitability for Drumstick (*Moringa oleifera*)

Drumstick is one of the most important vegetable crop grown in 2403 ha area in the state. The crop requirements for growing drumstick (Table 7.12) 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 are given in Figure 7.11.

An area of about 62 ha (29 %) in the microwatershed has soils that are moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing drumstick and are distributed in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness, texture and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 95 ha (45 %) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and gravelliness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

**Table 7.12 Land suitability criteria for Drumstick**

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



**Fig. 7.11 Land Suitability map of Drumstick**

### 7.12 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 7.13) were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing mulberry was generated. The area extent and their geographical distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.12.

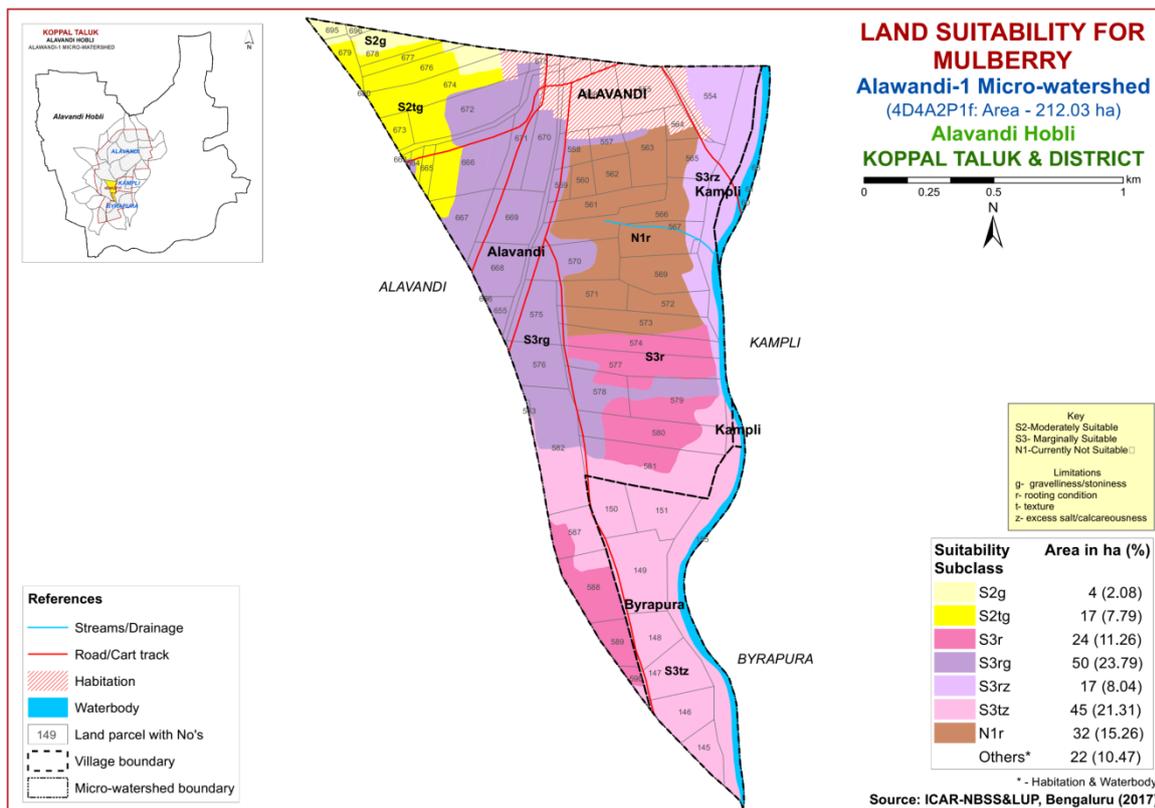
An area of about 21 ha (10 %) in the microwatershed has soils that are moderately suitable (Class S2) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture and gravelliness. Marginally suitable lands cover an area of about 136 ha (64%) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have

moderate limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, texture and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing mulberry and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitation of rooting depth.

**Table 7.13 Land suitability criteria for Mulberry**

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

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



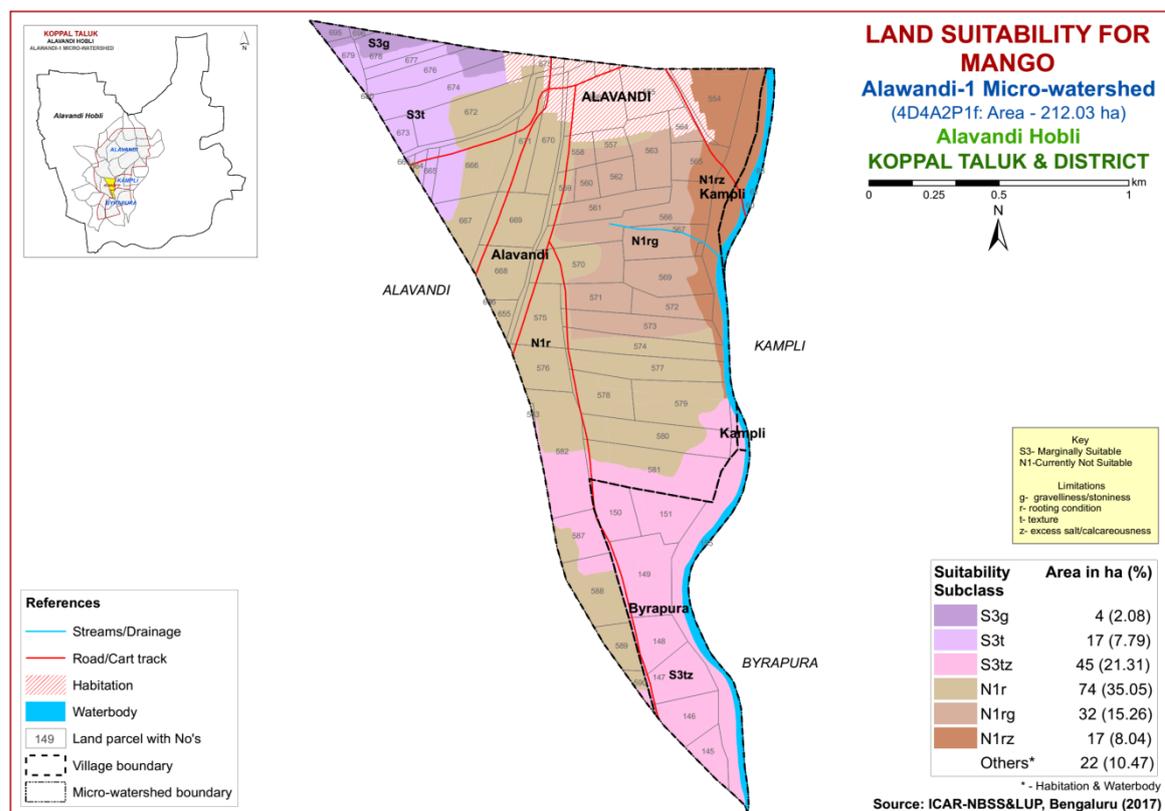
**Fig. 7.12 Land Suitability map of Mulberry**

### 7.13 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 7.14) 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 7.13.

**Table 7.14 Crop suitability criteria for Mango**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil-site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable (S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable (N)
Climate	Temp. in growing season	°C	28-32	24-27,33-35	36-40	20-24
	Min. temp. before flowering	°C	10-15	15-22	>22	
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>180	150-180	120-150	<120
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. To imp. drained	Poor drained	V. poorly drained
	Water table	M	>3	2.50-3.0	2.5-1.5	<1.5
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sc,l, sil, cl	Sl, sc, sic,l,c	C (<60%)	C(>60%),
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.5	7.6-8.5:5.0-5.4	8.6-9.0:4.0-4.9	>9.0<4.0
	OC	%	High	medium	low	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	<5	5-10	>10
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>200	125-200	75-125	<75
	Gravel content	% vol	Non-gravelly	<15	15-35	>35
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Nonsaline	<2.0	2.0-3.0	>3.0
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	<10	10-15	>15
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	



**Fig. 7.13 Land Suitability map of Mango**

There are no highly (S1) and moderately suitable (S2) lands for growing mango. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 66 ha (31 %) and

occur in the southern, eastern and northern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of texture, gravelliness and calcareousness. Maximum area of about 123 ha (58 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing mango and occur in the major part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and calcareousness.

#### 7.14 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 7.15) for growing sapota were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing sapota was generated. The area extent and their geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed are given in Figure 7.14.

Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 157 ha (74%) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of rooting depth, texture, gravelliness and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing sapota and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

**Table 7.15 Crop suitability criteria for Sapota**

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

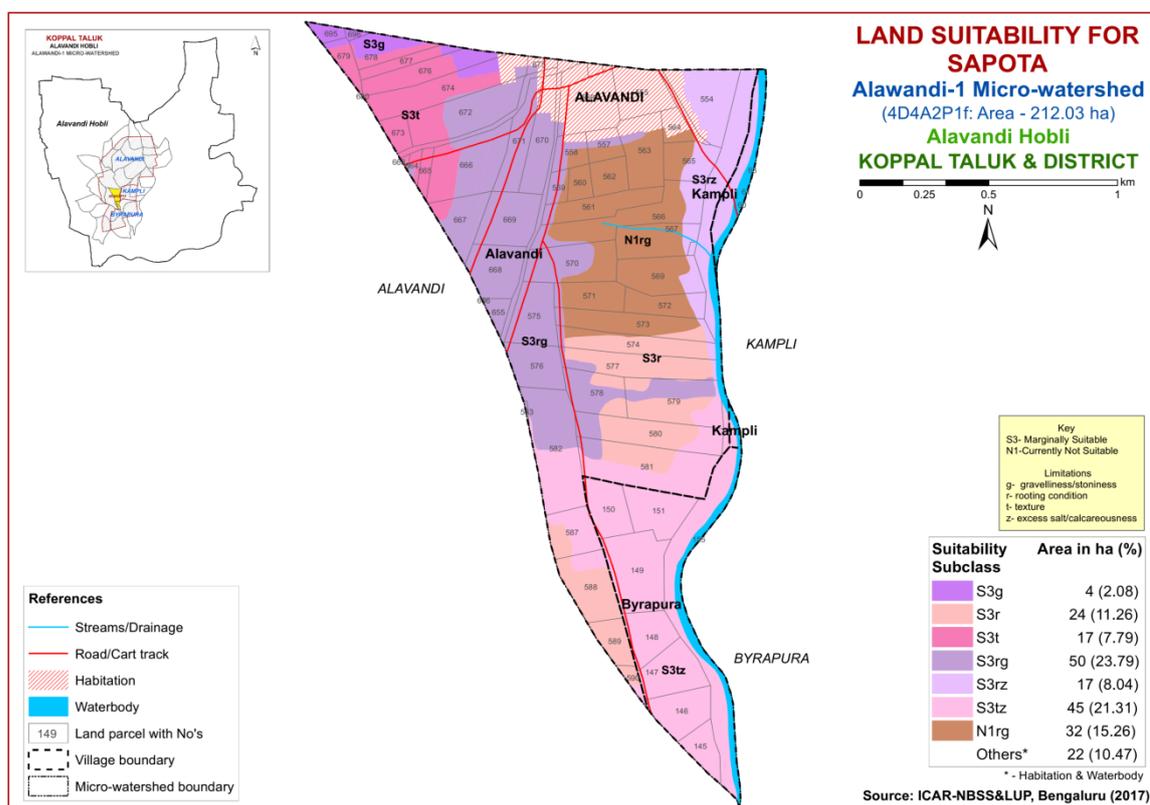


Fig. 7.14 Land Suitability map of Sapota

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

Pomegranate is one of the 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 7.16) 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 7.15.

Table 7.16 Crop suitability criteria for Pomegranate

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season	<sup>o</sup> C	30-34	35-38 25-29	39-40 15-24	
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	>150	120-150	90-120	<90
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Imp. drained		
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Sl, scl, l, cl	C, sic, sicl	Cl, s, ls	S, fragmenta 1
Rooting conditions	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.5	7.6-8.5	8.6-9.0	
	Soil depth	cm	>100	75-100	50-75	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	nil	15-35	35-60	>60
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Nil	<9	>9	<50
	Sodicity	%	nil			
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	

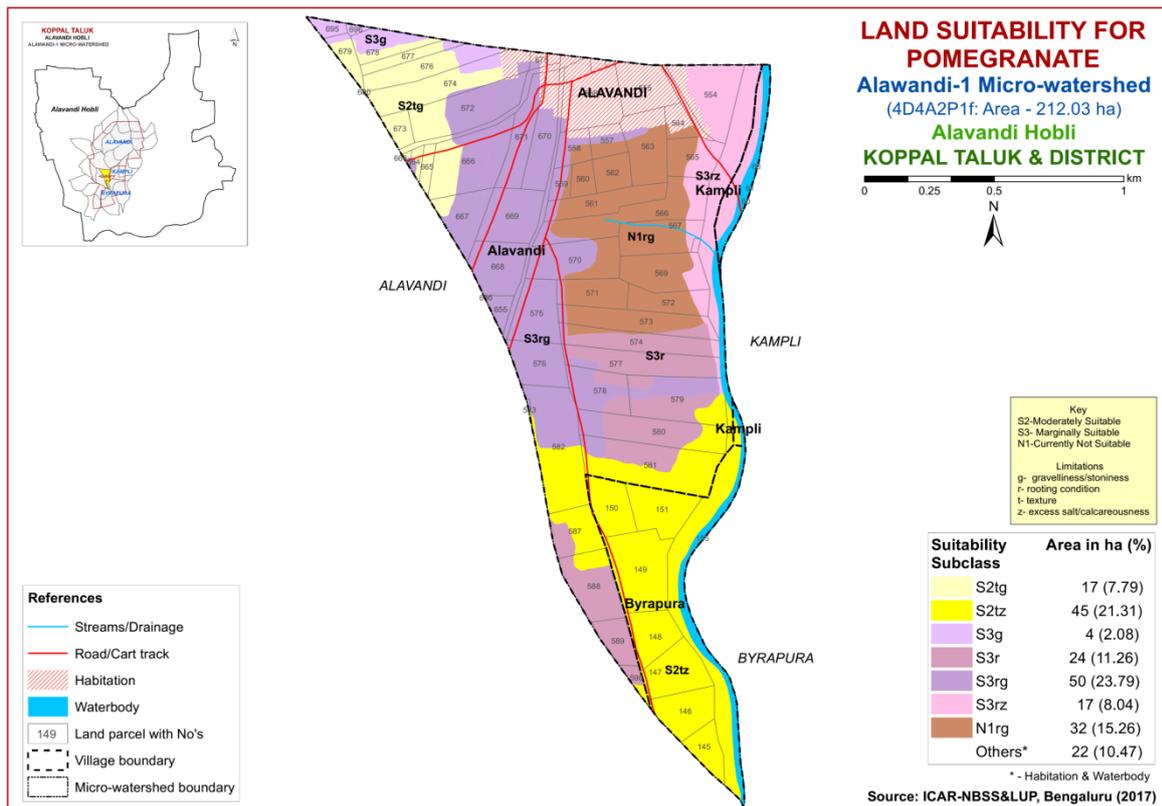


Fig. 7.15 Land Suitability map of Pomegranate

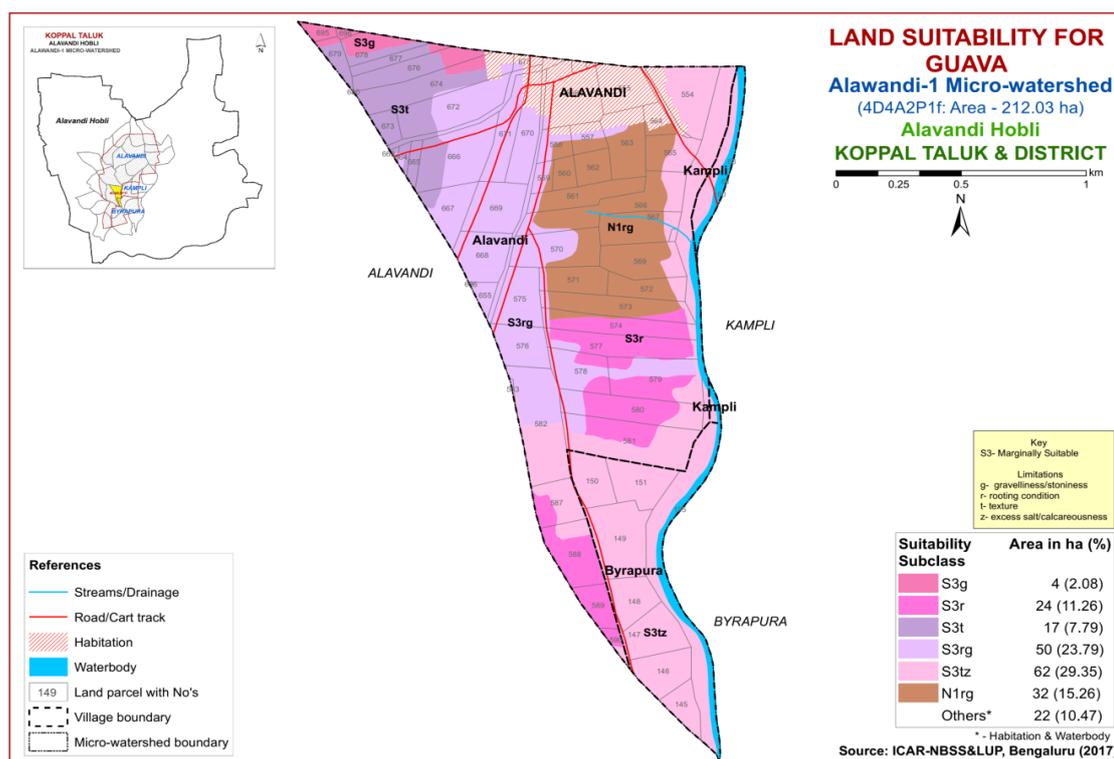
Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands occupy an area of about 62 ha (29 %) and are distributed in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of calcareousness, gravelliness and texture. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands for growing pomegranate occupy an area of about 95 ha (45 %) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of gravelliness, calcareousness and rooting depth. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing pomegranate and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

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

Guava is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of about 6558 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.

**Table 7.17 Crop suitability criteria for Guava**

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



**Fig. 7.16 Land Suitability map of Guava**

Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 157 ha (74 %) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, rooting depth, texture and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing guava and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

### 7.17 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 (Table.7.18) for growing jackfruit 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 7.17.

**Table 7.18 Land suitability criteria for Jackfruit**

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

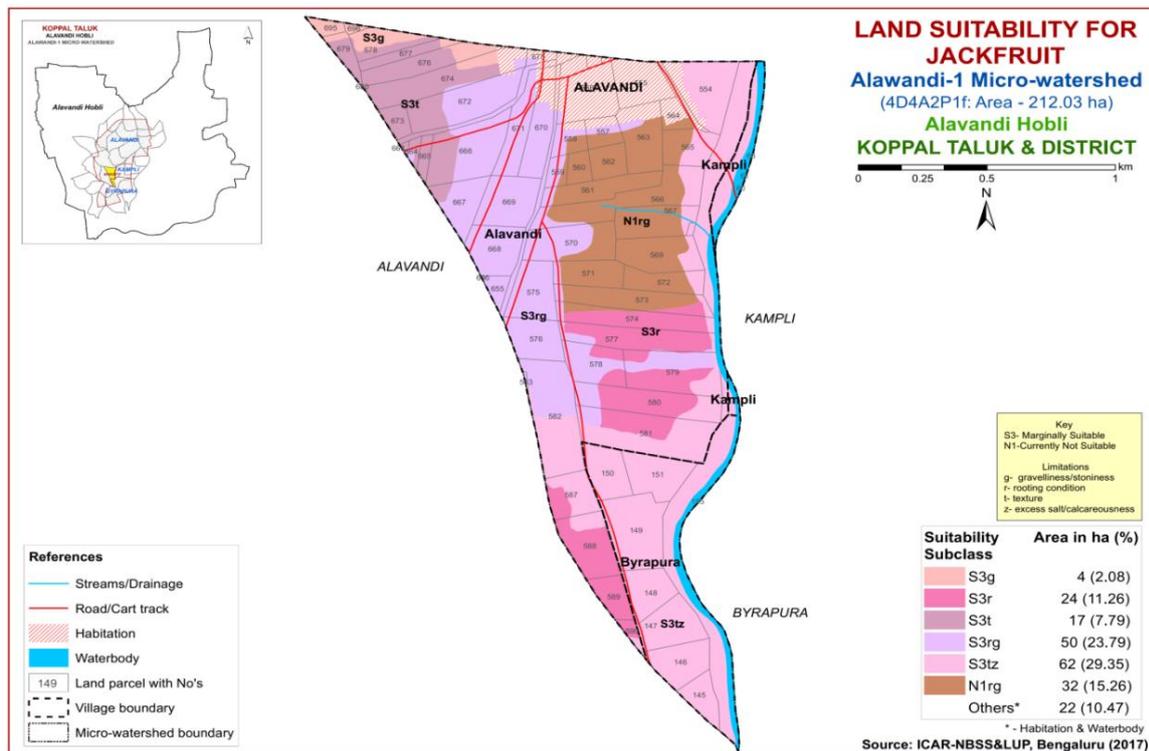


Fig. 7.17 Land Suitability map of Jackfruit

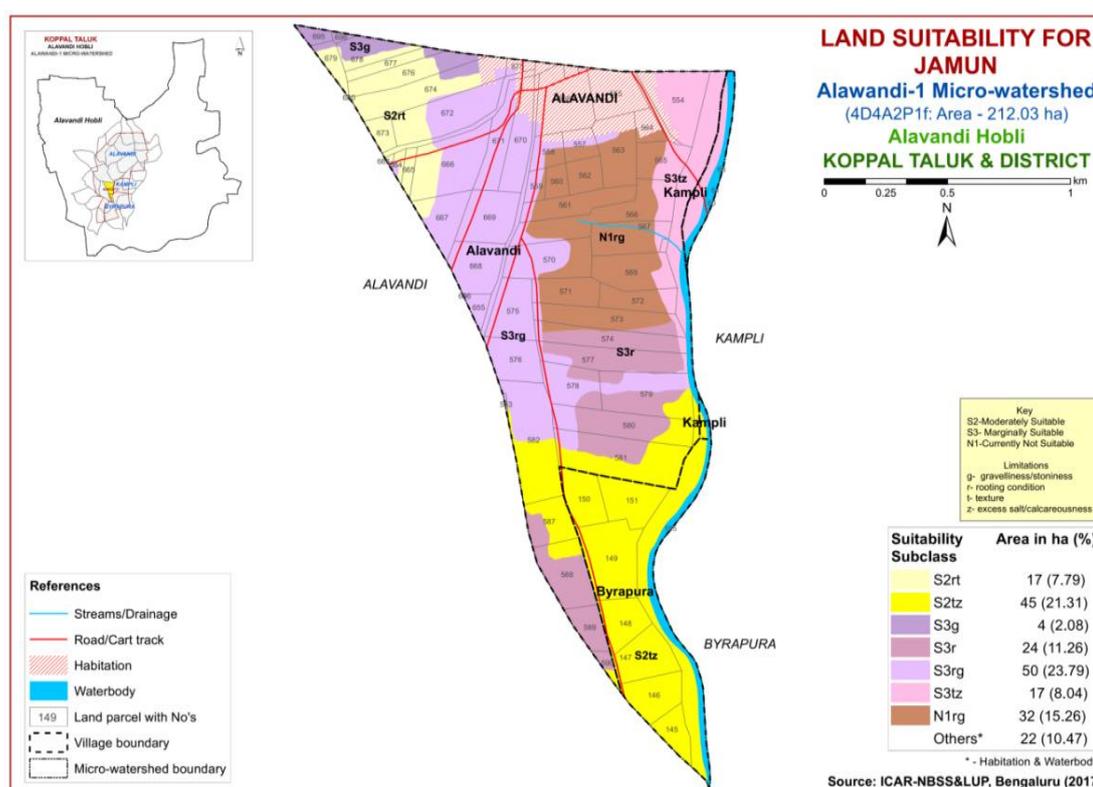
Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover a maximum area of about 157 ha (74 %) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, rooting depth, texture and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing jackfruit and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

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

Jamun is an important fruit crop grown in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements (Table 7.19) for growing jamun were matched with the soil-site characteristics 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 7.18.

**Table 7.19 Land suitability criteria for Jamun**

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



**Fig. 7.18 Land Suitability map of Jamun**

There are no highly suitable (Class S1) lands for growing jamun. An area of about 62 ha (29 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 95 ha (45 %)

and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness, gravelliness and texture. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing jamun and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

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

Musambi is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 5446 ha in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements (Table 7.20) for growing musambi 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.

There are no highly suitable (Class S1) lands for growing musambi. An area of about 62 ha (29 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 95 ha (45 %) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and gravelliness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing musambi and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

**Table 7.20 Crop suitability criteria for Musambi**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season	<sup>0</sup> C	28-30	31-35 24-27	36-40 20-23	>40 <20
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	240-265	180-240	150-180	<150
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. to imp.drained	Poorly	Very poorly
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl,l,sicl,cl,s	Sc, sc, c	C(>70%)	S, ls
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	5.5-6.47.6-8.0	4.0-5.4 8.1-8.5	<4.0 >8.5
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Upto 5	5-10	>10
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	15-35	35-55	>55
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	Upto 1.0	1.0-2.5	>2.5
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	

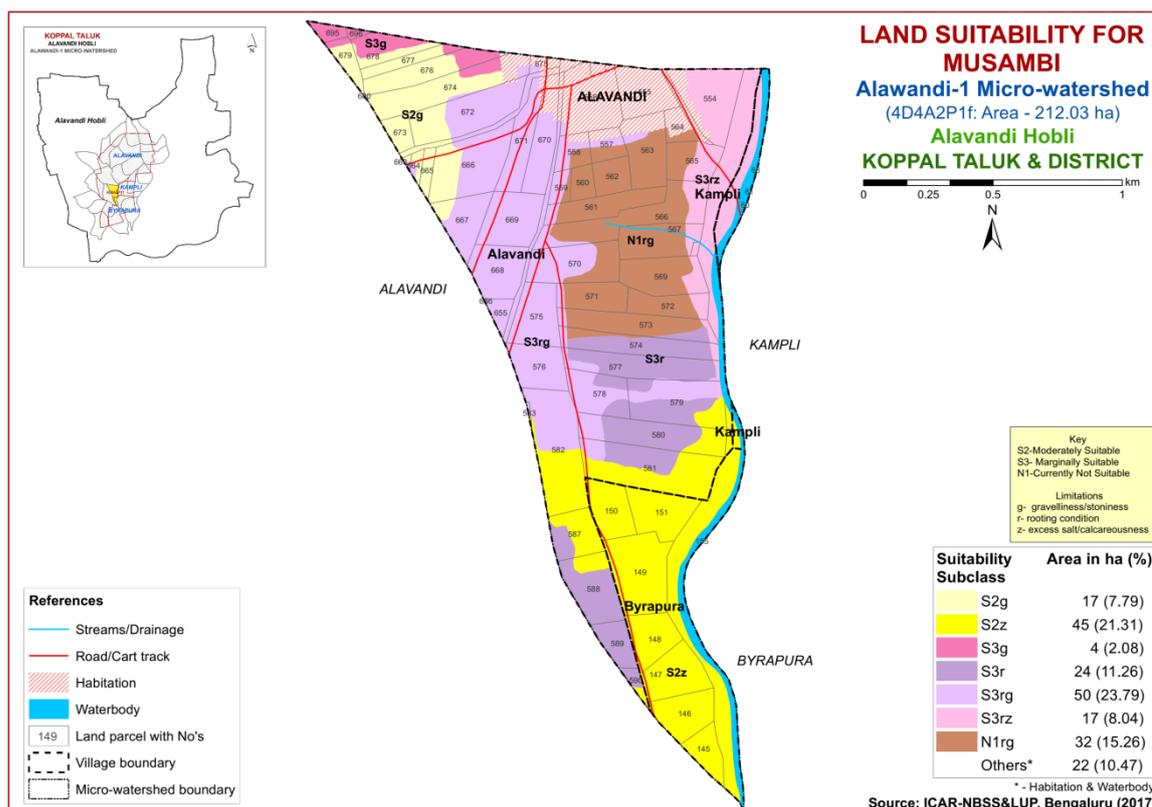


Fig. 7.19 Land Suitability map of Musambi

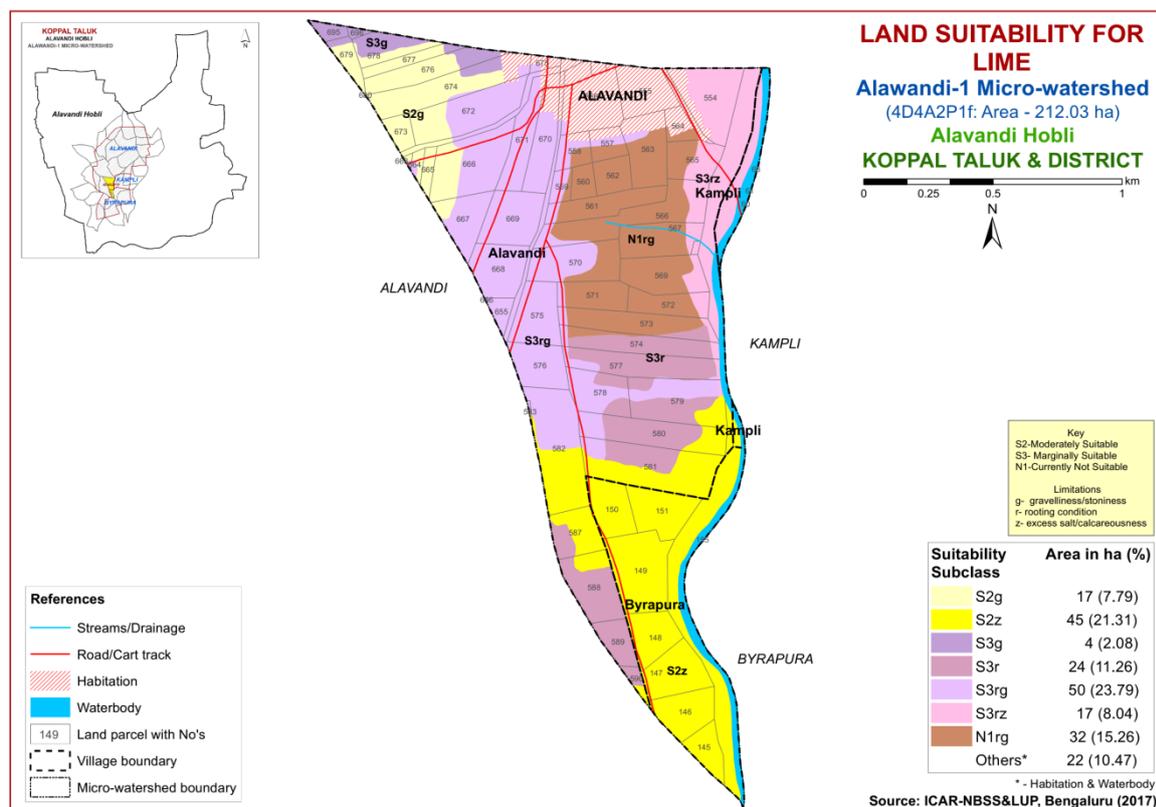
## 7.20 Land Suitability for Lime (*Citrus sp*)

Lime is one of the most important fruit crop grown in an area of 11752 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.

There are no highly suitable (Class S1) lands for growing lime. An area of about 62 ha (29 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of gravelliness and calcareousness. Marginally suitable (Class S3) lands cover an area of about 95 ha (45 %) and are distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and gravelliness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing lime and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness.

**Table 7.21 Crop suitability criteria for Lime**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season	<sup>0</sup> C	28-30	31-35 24-27	36-40 20-23	>40 <20
Soil moisture	Growing period	Days	240-265	180-240	150-180	<150
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod. to imp. drained	Poorly	Very poorly
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	Scl,l,siel,cl,s	Sc, sc, c	C(>70%)	S, ls
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	5.5-6.4: 7.6-8.0	4.0-5.4 8.1-8.5	<4.0 >8.5
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Upto 5	5-10	>10
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>150	100-150	50-100	<50
	Gravel content	% vol.	Non gravelly	15-35	35-55	>55
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	Upto 1.0	1.0-2.5	>2.5
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	5-10	10-15	>15
Erosion	Slope	%	<3	3-5	5-10	



**Fig. 7.20 Land Suitability map of Lime**

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

Cashew is one of the most important nut crop grown in an area of 7052 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements for growing cashew (Table 7.22) 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 7.21.

**Table 7.22 Land suitability criteria for Cashew**

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

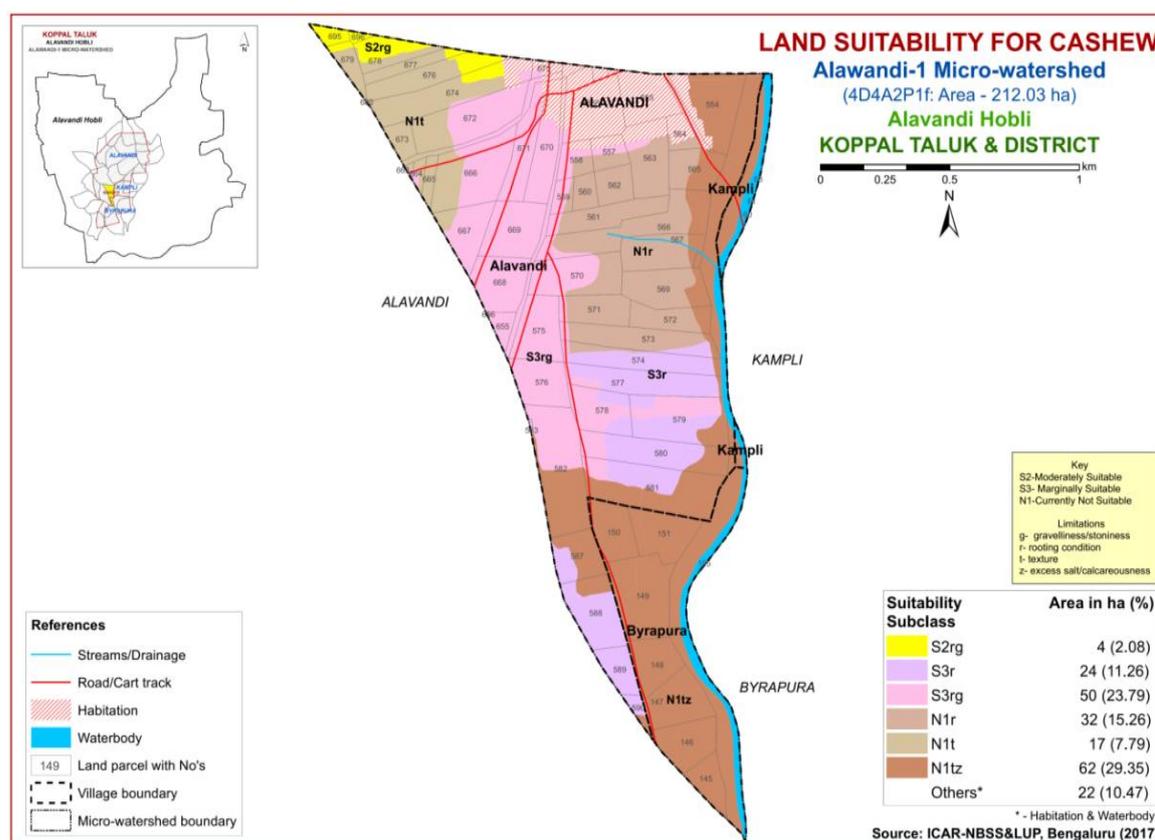


Fig. 7.21 Land Suitability map of Cashew

Moderately suitable lands cover a small area of about 4 ha (2%) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with minor limitations of rooting depth and gravelliness. An area of about 74 ha (35 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing cashew and distributed in the northern, central and western part of the microwatershed

with moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting depth. Maximum area of about 111 ha (52 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing cashew and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

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

Custard apple is one of the most important fruit crop grown in 1426 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements( Table 7.23) for growing custard apple 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 7.22.

An area of about 17 ha (8%) is highly suitable (Class S1) for growing custard apple and are distributed in the northernpart of the microwatershed.Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands cover a maximum area of about 140 ha (66%) and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing custard apple and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of rooting depth.

**Table 7.23 Land suitability criteria for Custard apple**

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

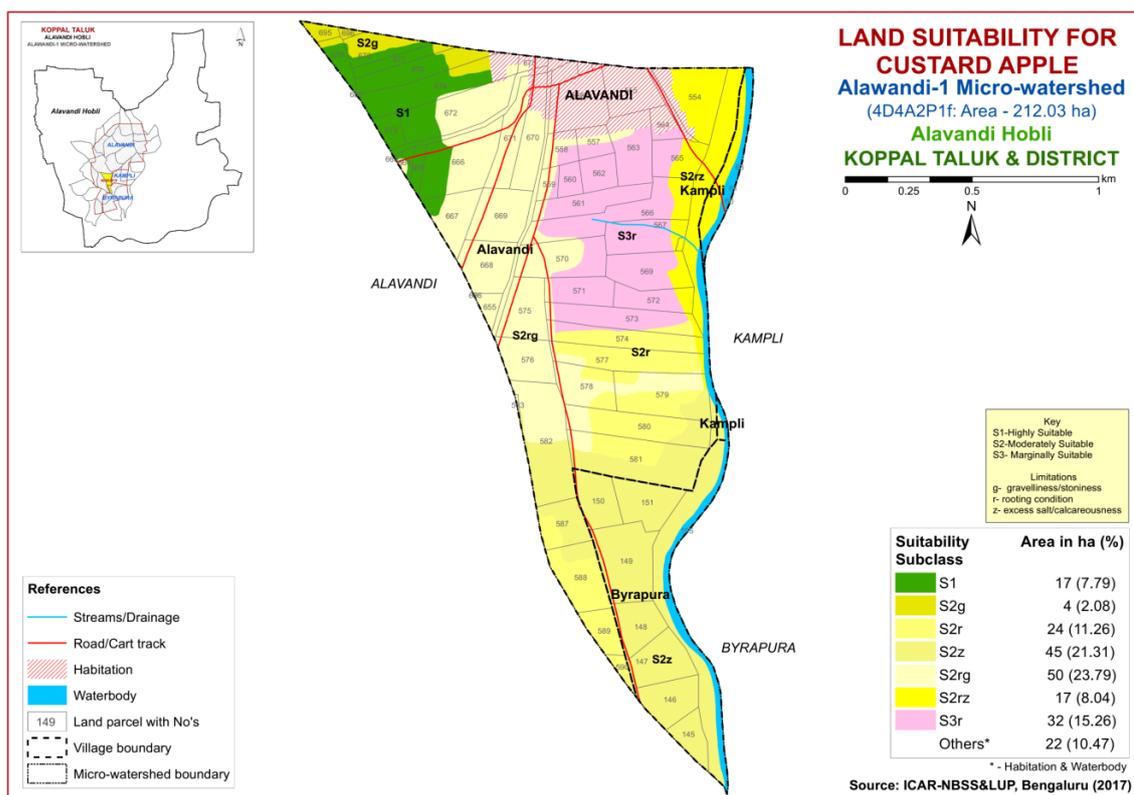


Fig. 7.22 Land Suitability map of Custard Apple

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

Amla is one of the most important fruit and medicinal crop grown in an area of 151 ha and distributed in almost all the districts of the state. The crop requirements (Table 7.24) for growing amla 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 7.23.

Moderately suitable lands (Class S2) for growing amla occupy a maximum area of about 157 ha (74%) and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, texture and calcareousness. An area of about 32 ha (15 %) is marginally suitable (Class N1) for growing amla and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitation of rooting depth.

Table 7.24 Land suitability criteria for Amla

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil –site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately Suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Mod.well drained	Poorly drained	V. Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	sc1,c1,sc,c(red)	c (black)	ls, sl	-
	pH	1:2.5	5.5-7.3	5.0-5.5	7.8-8.4	>8.4
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15-35	35-60	60-80	
Erosion	Slope	%	0-3	3-5	5-10	>10

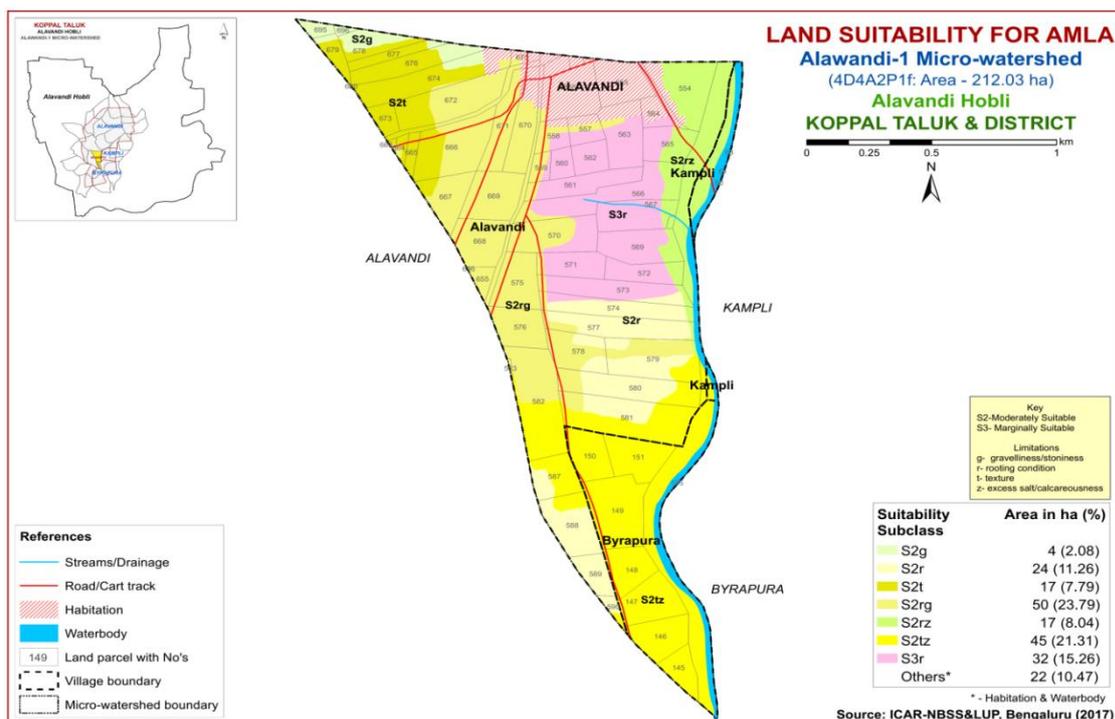


Fig. 7.23 Land Suitability map of Amla

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

Tamarind is one of the most important spice crop grown in 14897 ha in all the districts of the state. The crop requirements (Table 7.25) for growing tamarind 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 are given in Figure 7.24.

Table 7.25 Land suitability criteria for Tamarind

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

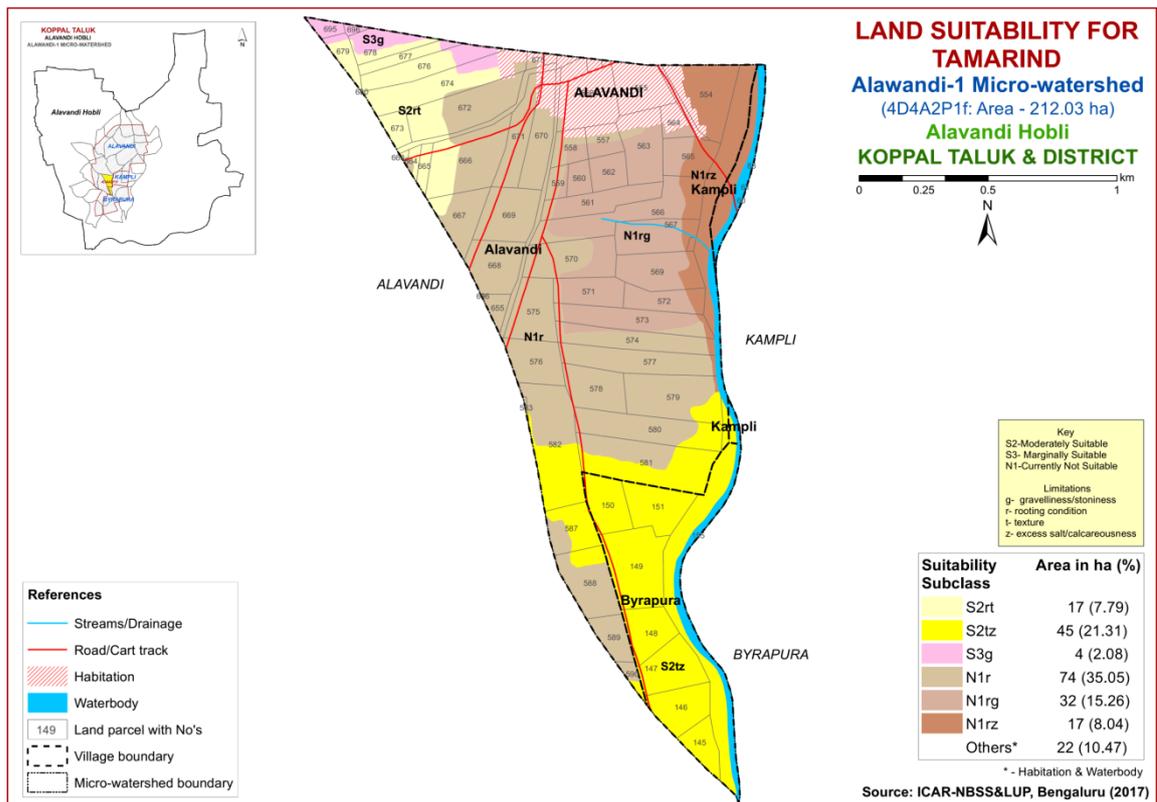


Fig. 7.21 Land Suitability map of Tamarind

There are no highly suitable lands (Class S1) for growing tamarind. An area of about 62 ha (29 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) and occur in the northern, southern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of texture, calcareousness and rooting depth. An area of about 4 ha (2 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and occur in the northern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitation of gravelliness. Maximum area of about 123 ha (58 %) is not suitable (Class N1) for growing tamarind and distributed in the major part of the microwatershed with severe limitations of rooting depth, calcareousness and gravelliness.

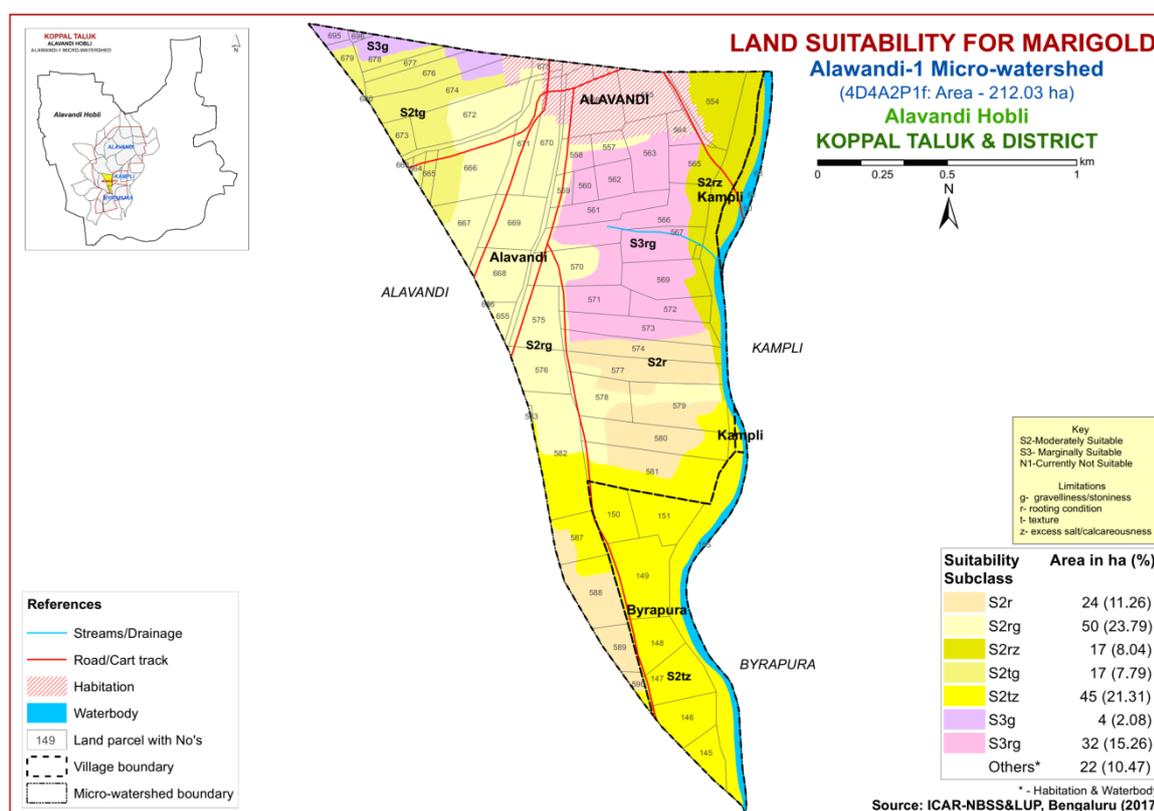
### 7.25 Land Suitability for Marigold (*Tagetes erecta*)

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

Maximum area of about 153 ha (72%) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing marigold and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, calcareousness and texture. An area of about 36 ha (17%) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting depth.

**Table 7.26 Land suitability criteria for Marigold**

Crop requirement			Rating			
Soil-site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season		18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14	>40 <10
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	1,s1,scl,cl,sil	si,cl,sc,sic, c	C	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	7.0-7.5	5.5-5.9,7.6-8.5	<5,>8.5	-
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	-
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	-
Soil toxicity	Salinity	ds/m	Non saline	Slightly	Strongly	-
	Sodicity (ESP)	%	<10	10-15	>15	-
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	-



**Fig. 7.25 Land Suitability map of Marigold**

**7.26 Land Suitability for Chrysanthemum (*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 (Table 7.27) for growing chrysanthemum were matched with the soil-site characteristics (Table 7.1) and a land suitability map for growing chrysanthemum was generated. The area extent and their

geographic distribution of different suitability subclasses in the microwatershed is given in Figure 7.26.

Maximum area of about 153 ha (72 %) is moderately suitable (Class S2) for growing chrysanthemum and occur in the major part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, gravelliness, calcareousness and texture. An area of about 36 ha (17 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) and distributed in the northern part of the microwatershed with moderate limitations of gravelliness and rooting depth.

**Table 7.27 Land suitability criteria for Chrysanthemum**

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil-site characteristics		Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)
Climate	Temperature in growing season		18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14	>40 <10
		Soil aeration	Soil drainage	class	Well drained	Moderately well drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	l ,sl, scl, cl, sil	sicl, sc, sic,c	C	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	7.0-7.5	5.5-5.9,7.6-8.5	<5,>8.5	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strongly calcareous	

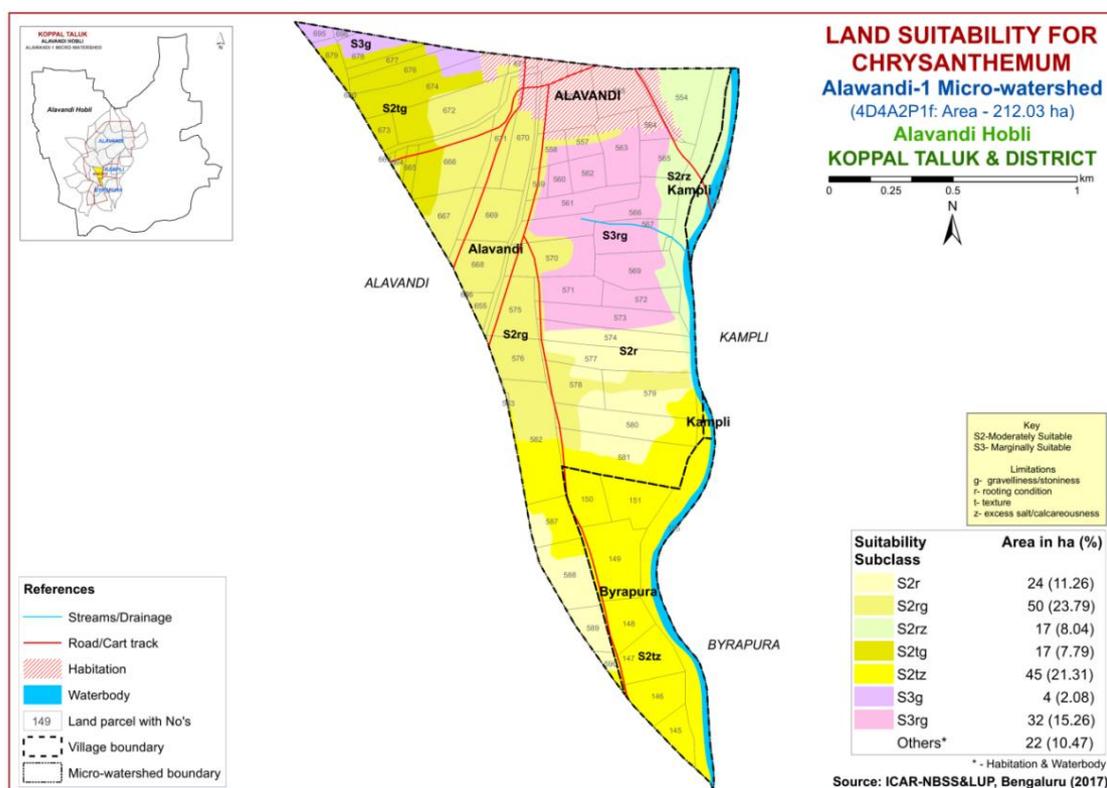


Fig. 7.26 Land Suitability map of Chrysanthemum

### 7. 27Land Suitability for Jasmine (*Jasminum sp.*)

Jasmine is one of the most important flower crop grown in an area of 803 ha in almost all the districts of the State. The crop requirements (Table 7.28) 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 7.27.

**Table 7.28 Land suitability criteria for jasmine (irrigated)**

Crop requirement		Rating				
Soil-site characteristics	Unit	Highly suitable(S1)	Moderately suitable(S2)	Marginally suitable(S3)	Not suitable(N)	
Climate	Temperature in growing season	18-23	17-15 24-35	35-40 10-14		
Soil aeration	Soil drainage	Class	Well drained	Moderately drained	Imperfectly drained	Poorly drained
Nutrient availability	Texture	Class	scl, l, scl, cl, sil	sicl,sc,sic,c (m/k)	c(ss),	ls, s
	pH	1:2.5	6.0-7.5	5.5-5.9:7.6-8.5	<5: >8.5	
	CaCO <sub>3</sub> in root zone	%	Non calcareous	Slightly calcareous	Strong calcareous	
Rooting conditions	Soil depth	cm	>75	50-75	25-50	<25
	Gravel content	% vol.	<15	15-35	>35	
Soil toxicity	Salinity	dS/m	Non saline	Slight	Strongly	
	Sodicity	%	Non sodic	Slight	Strongly	
Erosion	Slope	%	1-3	3-5	5-10	

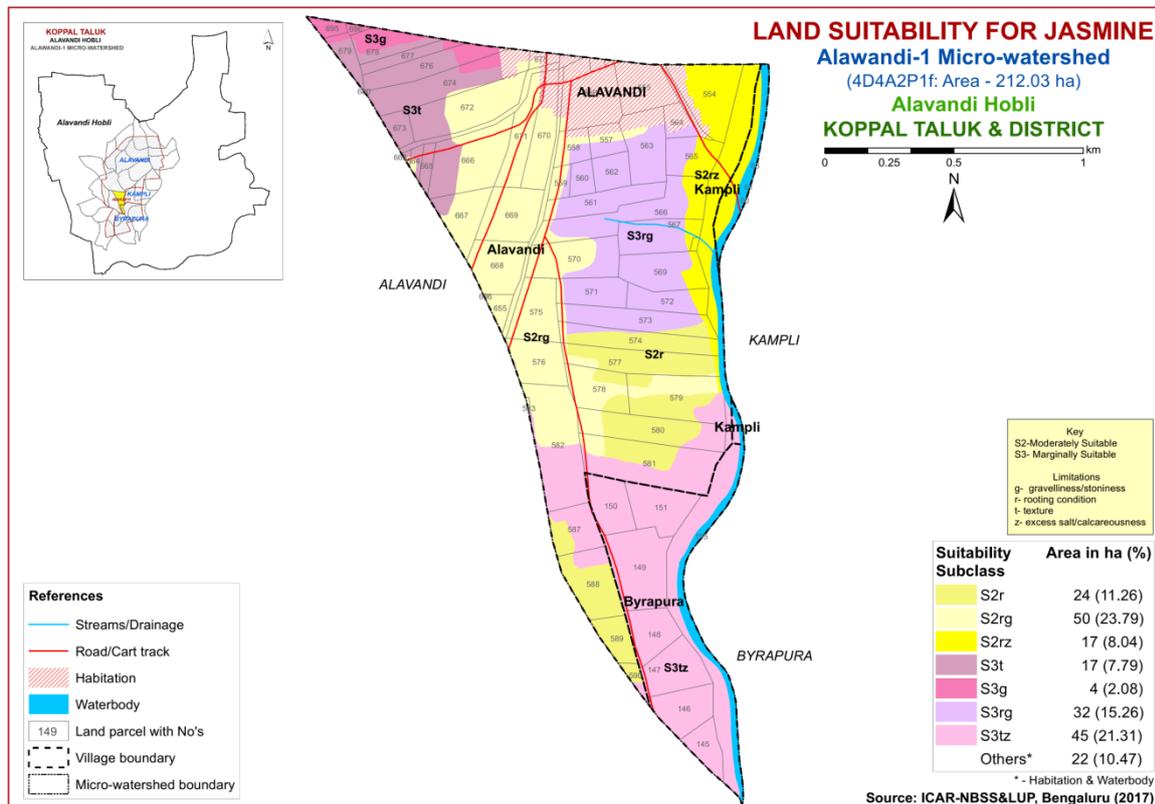


Fig. 7.27 Land Suitability map of Jasmine

Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands for growing jasmine cover an area of about 91 ha (43 %) and occur in the central, western and northern part of the microwatershed.

They have minor limitations of rooting depth and calcareousness. An area of about 98 ha (46 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing jasmine and occur in the southern, northern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

### 7.28 Land Suitability for Crossandra (*Crossandra infundibuliformis*)

Crossandra is one of the most important flower crop grown in almost all the districts of the State. 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 7.28.

Moderately suitable (Class S2) lands for growing crossandra cover an area of about 91 ha (43 %) and occur in the central, western and northern part of the microwatershed. They have minor limitations of rooting depth, texture and calcareousness. An area of about 98 ha (47 %) is marginally suitable (Class S3) for growing crossandra and occur in the southern, northern and southeastern part of the microwatershed. They have moderate limitations of gravelliness, texture, rooting depth and calcareousness.

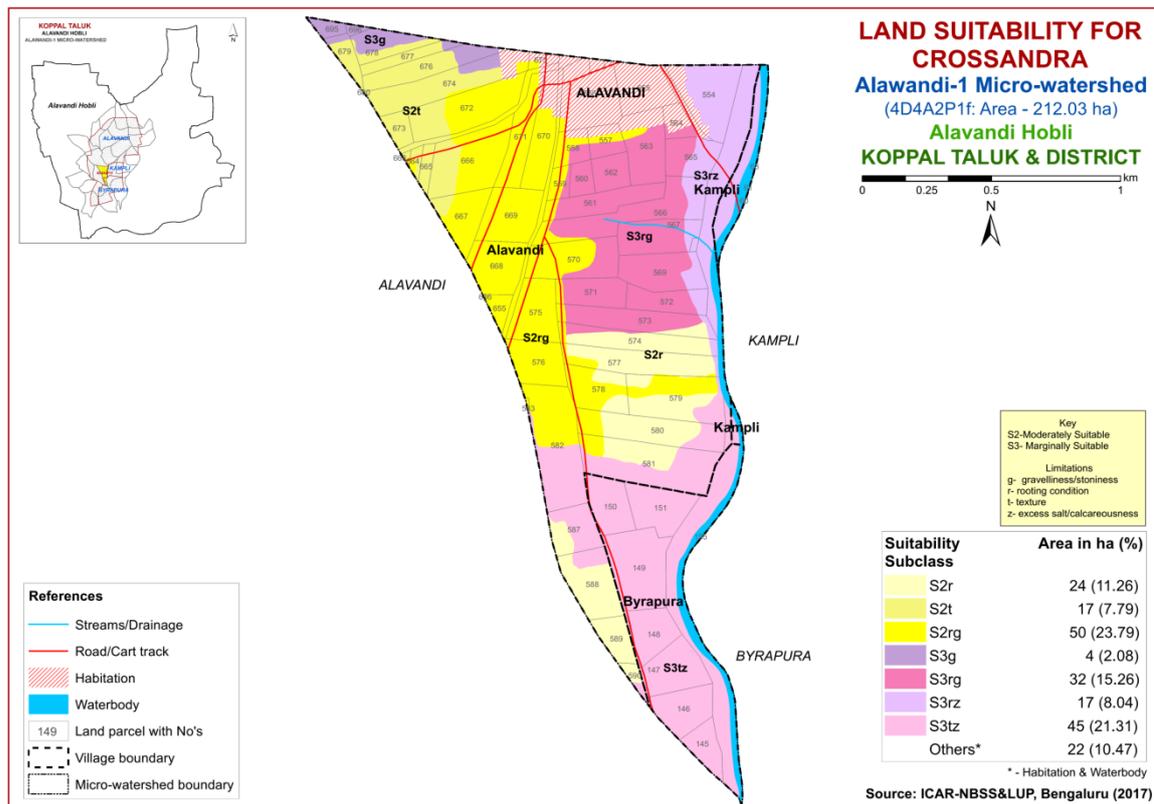


Fig. 7.28 Land Suitability map of Crossandra

## 7.29 Land Management Units (LMU)

The 13 soil map units identified in Alawandi-1 microwatershed have been grouped into six Land Management Units (LMU) 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.7.29) 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 six Land Management Units along with brief description of soil and site characteristics are given below. Land Management Units

LUC	Mapping unit	Soil and site characteristics
1	HDLmA1g1, MLRhB1g1 MLRmB2, AWDmA1	Deep to very deep, black calcareous to non calcareous clay soils with slopes of 0-3%, slight to moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)
2	BDGiB1g2	Moderately deep, red gravelly sandy clay soils with slopes of 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (35-60%)
3	RNKmB2, RNKmB2g1	Moderately shallow, black calcareous clay soils with slopes of 1-3%, moderate erosion, gravelly (15-35%)
4	MKHhB1, MKHhB1g1, MKHhB1g2	Moderately shallow, gravelly red loamy soils with slopes of 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-60%)
5	KTPcB1g1 KTPiB1	Moderately shallow, red loamy to clay soils with slopes of 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)
6	KGPiB1g1	Shallow, red sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils with slopes of 1-3%, slight erosion, gravelly (15-35%)

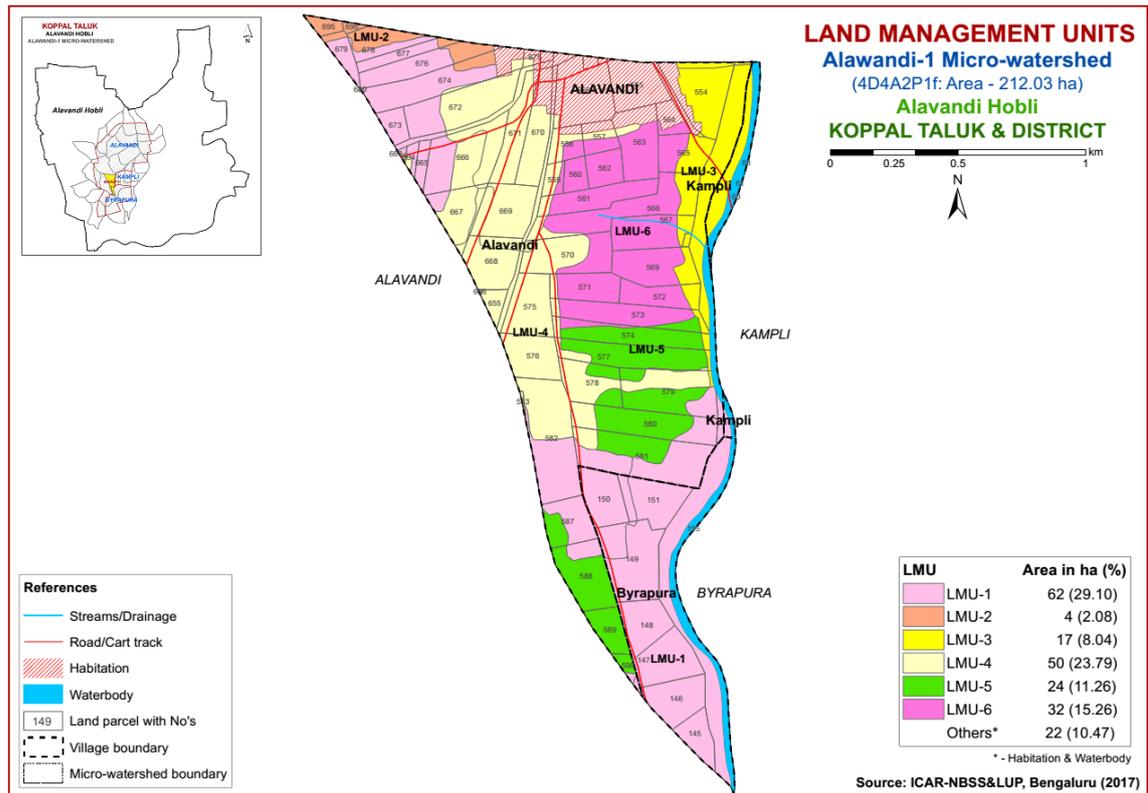


Fig 7.29 Land Use Classes map of Alavandi-1 microwatershed

### 7.30 Proposed Crop Plan for Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

After assessing the land suitability for the 28 crops, the proposed crop plan has been prepared for the six identified LUCs by considering only the highly (Class S1) and moderately (Class S2) suitable lands for each of the 28 crops. The resultant proposed crop plan is presented in Table 7.29.

**Table 7.29 Proposed Crop Plan for Alawandi-1 Microwatershed**

<b>Proposed Land use Class</b>	<b>Soil Map Units</b>	<b>Survey Number</b>	<b>Field Crops</b>	<b>Horticulture Crops</b>	<b>Suitable Interventions</b>
1	379.HDLmA1g1 409.MLRhB1g1 418.MLRmB2 421.AWDmA1 (Deep to very deep, black calcareous to non calcareous clay soils)	<b>Alavandi:</b> 581,582,587,663,664, 665,673,674,676,677, 679,680 <b>Byrapura:</b> 145,146,147,148,149, 150,151	Sorghum, Sunflower, Cotton, Bengal gram, Safflower, Linseed, Bajra	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Pomegranate, Jamun, Lime, Musambi, Tamarind, Amla, Custard apple <b>Vegetables:</b> Drumstick, Chilli, Coriander <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum, Jasmine, Crossandra	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices
2	193.BDGiB1g2 (Moderately deep, red gravelly sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils)	<b>Alavandi :</b> 678,695,696	Groundnut, Red gram, Bajra, Horsegram, Castor	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Cashew, Custard apple <b>Vegetables:</b> Drumstick	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit <i>etc</i> )
3	336.RNKmB2 337.RNKmB2g1 (Moderately shallow, black calcareous clay soils)	<b>Alavandi :</b> 554,565	Sorghum, Bajra, Bengal gram, Linseed, Safflower, Coriander	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Custard apple <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Jasmine Chrysanthemum, Crossandra	Application of FYM, Biofertilizers and micronutrients, drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices

4	81.MKHhB1 82.MKHhB1g1 83.MKHhB1g2 (Moderately shallow, gravelly red loamy soils)	<b>Alavandi :</b> 558,559,570,575,576, 578,583,655,656,666, 667,668,669,670,671, 672	Sorghum, Groundnut, Bajra, Castor	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Cashew, Custard apple	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
5	71.KTPcB1g1 73.KTPiB1 (Moderately shallow, red loamy soils)	<b>Alavandi :</b> 574,577,579,580,588, 589,590	Maize, Sorghum, Groundnut, Bajra, Castor	<b>Fruit crops:</b> Amla, Custard apple <b>Flowers:</b> Marigold, Chrysanthemum, Jasmine, Crossandra <b>Vegetables:</b> Drumstick	Drip irrigation, mulching, suitable soil and water conservation practices (Crescent Bunding with Catch Pit etc)
6	19.KGPiB1g1 (Shallow, red sandy clay to sandy clay loam soils)	<b>Alavandi :</b> 557,560,561,562,563, 566,567,569,571,572, 573	Horsegram, Bajra	<b>Agri-Silvi-Pasture:</b> Custard apple, Amla -Hybrid Napier, Styloxanthes hamata, Glyricidia, Styloxanthes scabra	Use of short duration varieties, sowing across the slope and split application of nitrogen fertilizers



## 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 Alawandi-1 Microwatershed**

- ❖ The soil phases with sizeable area identified in the microwatershed belonged to the soil series of MKH (50 ha), MLR (45ha), KGP (32 ha), KTP (23 ha), RNK (17 ha), HDL (17ha),BDG (17 ha)and AWD (<1 ha).
- ❖ As per land capability classification, entire area in the microwatershed falls under arable land category (Class II andIII). The major limitations identified in the arable lands were soil and erosion.
- ❖ On the basis of soil reaction, an area of about 3 ha (2 %) is neutral (pH 7.3-7.8), 17ha (8 %) is slightly alkaline (pH 7.3-7.8), 133 ha (63 %) is moderately alkaline (pH 7.8-8.4) and 36 ha (17 %) is strongly alkaline (pH 8.4-9.0) in reaction. Thus, major portion of soilsare alkaline in reaction.

## **Soil Health Management**

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

### **Alkaline soils**

(Slightly alkaline to strongly alkaline soils)

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

### **Neutral soils**

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

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

## **Soil Degradation**

Soil erosion is one of the major factors affecting the soil health in the microwatershed. An area of about 49 ha (23 %) is under moderate erosion. The areas with 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 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, radish, potato etc) but not ideal for crops that need stagnant water like lowland paddy. Heavy textured soils are poor in water infiltration and percolation. They are prone for sheet erosion; such soils can be improved by sand mulching. The technology that is developed by the AICRP-Dryland Agriculture, Vijayapura, Karnataka can be adopted.
- ❖ **Gravelliness:** More gravel content is favorable for run-off harvesting but poor in soil moisture storage and nutrient availability. It is a significant parameter that decides the kind of crop to be raised.
- ❖ **Land Capability Classification:** The land capability map shows the areas suitable and not suitable for agriculture and the major constraints in each of the plot/survey number. Hence, one can decide what kind of enterprise is possible in each of these units. In general, erosion and soil are the major constraints in Alawandi-1 Microwatershed.
- ❖ **Organic Carbon:** An area of about 129 ha (61%) is medium (0.5-0.75%) and 61 ha (29%) is high (>0.75%) in OC content. The areas that are low and medium in OC need to be further improved by applying farmyard manure and rotating crops with cereals and legumes or mixed cropping.
- ❖ **Promoting green manuring:** Growing of green manuring crops costs Rs. 1250/ha (green manuring seeds) and about Rs. 2000/ha towards cultivation that totals to Rs. 3250/- per ha. On the other hand, application of organic manure @ 10 tons/ha costs Rs. 5000/ha. The practice needs to be continued for 2-3 years or more. Nitrogen fertilizer needs to be supplemented by 25% in addition to the recommended level in 129 ha area where OC is less than 0.75 per cent. For example, for rainfed maize, recommended level is 50 kg N per ha and an additional 12 kg /ha needs to be applied for all the crops grown in these plots.
- ❖ **Available Phosphorus:** Available phosphorus is low (<23 kg/ha) in 59 ha (28%), medium (23-57 kg/ha) in 119ha (56%) and high (>57 kg/ha) in 12 ha (6%) of the soils. The areas

where phosphorus is high, reduce 25% from the RDF to avoid the excess application of fertilizer and apply additional 25% phosphorus in areas where it is medium or low.

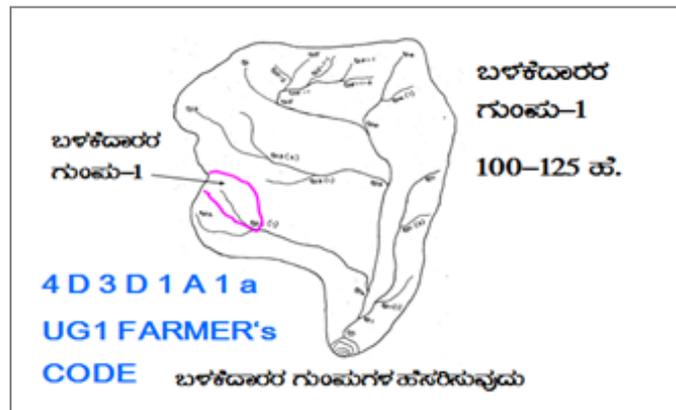
- ❖ **Available Potassium:** Available potassium is medium (145-337 kg/ha) in 63 ha (30%) and high (>337 kg/ha) in 127 ha (60%) area of the microwatershed. The areas where potassium content is high, reduce 25% from the RDF to avoid the excess application of fertilizer and apply additional 25% potassium 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 36 ha (17%), medium (10-20ppm) in 56 ha (26%) and high (>20ppm) in 97 ha (46%) area of the microwatershed. Areas with low and medium in available sulphur 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:** Area of about 73 ha (34%) is low (<0.5 ppm) in available boron and 117 ha (55 %) is medium (0.5-1.0 ppm) in available boron content. The areas with low and medium in boron content need to be applied with sodium borate @ 10kg/ha as soil application or 0.2% borax as foliar spray to correct the deficiency.
- ❖ **Available iron:** It is deficient (<4.5 ppm) in 169ha (80%) and sufficient (>4.5 ppm) in 21 ha (10 %) area of the microwatershed. To manage iron deficiency iron sulphate @ 25 kg/ha needs to be applied for 2-3 years.
- ❖ **Available Zinc:** It is deficient (<0.6 ppm) in 58 ha (27%) and sufficient (>0.6ppm) in 132 ha (62 %) area of the microwatershed. Application of zinc sulphate @ 25kg/ha is to be followed in areas that are deficient in available zinc.
- ❖ **Available Manganese:** It is sufficient in the entire area of the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Available Copper:** It is sufficient in the entire area of the microwatershed.
- ❖ **Soil alkalinity:** The major area in the microwatershed has soils that are 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 Alawandi-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.

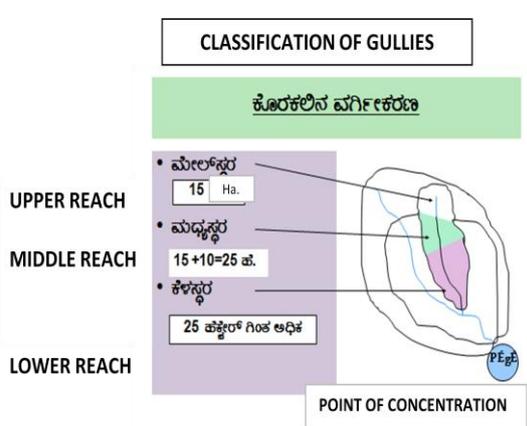
- Naming of user groups and farmers
- Identification of arable and non arable lands
- Identification of drainage lines and gullies
- Identification of non treatable areas
- Identification of priority areas in the arable lands
- Treatment plan for arable lands
- Location of water harvesting and recharge 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		<b>USER GROUP-1</b>  CLASSIFICATION OF GULLIES ಕೊರಕಲಿನ ವರ್ಗೀಕರಣ 
Cadastral map (1:7920 scale) is enlarged to a scale of 1:2500 scale		
Existing network of waterways, pothissa boundaries, grass belts, natural drainage lines/ watercourse, cut ups/ terraces are marked on the cadastral map to the scale		
Drainage lines are demarcated into		
Small gullies	(up to 5 ha catchment)	
Medium gullies	(5-15 ha catchment)	
Ravines	(15-25 ha catchment) and	
Halla/Nala	(more than 25ha catchment)	

#### Measurement of Land Slope

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



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

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

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

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

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

### Section of the Bund

Bund section is decided considering the soil texture class and gravelliness class (bg<sub>0</sub> .....b=loamy sand, g<sub>0</sub> = <15% gravel). The recommended sections for different soils are given below.

#### Recommended Bund Section

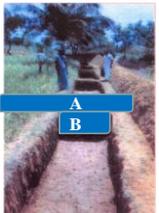
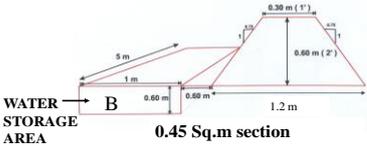
Top width (m)	Base width (m)	Height (m)	Side slope (Z:1;H:V)	Cross section (sq m)	Soil Texture	Remarks
0.3	0.9	0.3	01:01	0.18	Sandy loam	Vegetative bund
0.3	1.2	0.3	1.5:1	0.225	Sandy clay	
0.3	1.2	0.5	0.9:1	0.375	Red gravelly soils	
0.3	1.2	0.6	0.75:1	0.45		
0.3	1.5	0.6	01:01	0.54	Red sandy loam	
0.3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

### Formation of Trench cum Bund

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

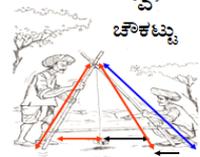
Details of Borrow Pit dimensions are given below

#### TRENCH CUM BUND

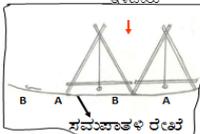



IDEAL FOR HORTICULTURE CROPS

#### 'A' FRAME FOR INTERBUND MANAGEMENT



1. ಸಮಸಾಕಳ ಉಳುವೆ
2. ಸಮಸಾಕಳ ಬಿತ್ತನೆ/ನಾಟಿ



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

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

#### B. Waterways

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

#### C. Farm Ponds

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

#### D. Diversion Channel

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

#### 9.1.2 Non-Arable Land Treatment

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

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

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

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

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

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

A map (Fig. 9.1) showing soil and water conservation plan with different kinds of structures recommended has been prepared which shows the spatial distribution and extent of area. A maximum area of about 111 ha (52%) needs trench cum bunding, an area of about 62 ha (29 %) needs graded bunding and an area of about 17 ha (8%) requires strengthening of existing bunds. The conservation plan prepared may be presented to all the stakeholders including farmers and after considering their suggestions, the conservation plan for the microwatershed may be finalised in a participatory approach.

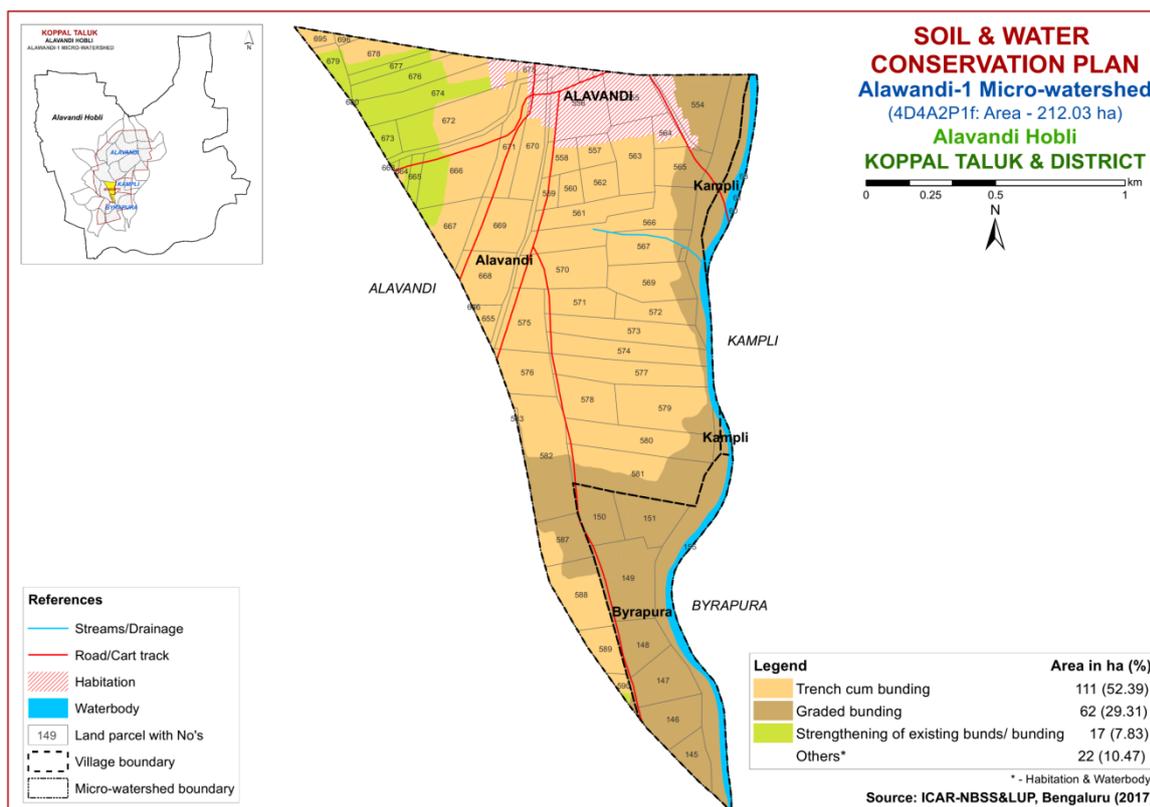


Fig. 9.1 Soil and Water Conservation Plan map of Alavandi-1 Microwatershed

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

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

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



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**Appendix I**  
**Alavandi I Microwatershed**  
**Soil Phase Information**

Village	Sy No	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
Alavandi	554	4.96	RNKmB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sparse vegetation (Sv)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Alavandi	555	3.34	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Habitation (Hb)	Not Available	Others	Others
Alavandi	556	4.94	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Habitation (Hb)	Not Available	Others	Others
Alavandi	557	1.44	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	558	1.54	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 (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	559	0.88	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 (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	560	1.07	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	561	3.26	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Bajra (Bj)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	562	1.72	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	563	3.94	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow+ Sugarcane (Cf+Sc)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	564	1.18	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Habitation (Hb)	Not Available	Others	Others
Alavandi	565	2.7	RNKmB2	LMU-3	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Sugarcane+Current fallow (Sc+Cf)	Not Available	Iles	Graded bunding
Alavandi	566	6.15	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow+Sugarcane+Jowar+Groundnut (Cf+Sc+Jw+Gn)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	567	3.58	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	569	4.04	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize+Current fallow (Mz+Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	570	4.65	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Currentfallow+Jowar (Cf+Jw)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	571	2.68	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Groundnut+Bajra (Gn+Bj)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	572	2.52	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	573	4.52	KGPIB1g1	LMU-6	Shallow (25-50 cm)	Sandy clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	574	4.14	KTPcB1g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Groundnut+Maize (Gn+Mz)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	575	3.63	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Cotton+Groundnut (Ct+Gn)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	576	3.11	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB

Village	Sy No	Area (ha)	Soil Phase	LMU	Soil Depth	Surface Soil Texture	Soil Graveliness	Available Water Capacity	Slope	Soil Erosion	Current Land Use	Wells	Land Capability	Conservation Plan
Alavandi	577	4.85	KTPcB1g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	578	3.33	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	579	5.84	KTPiB1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	580	5.3	KTPiB1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Currentfallow+Bajra+Fallowland(Cf+Bj+Fl)	1 Borewell	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	581	7.73	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Pomegranate+Sugarcane+Bajra (Pg+Sc+Bj)	2 Borewell	IIses	Graded bunding
Alavandi	582	7.54	MLRhB1g1	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Currentfallow+Bajra (Cf+Bj)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Alavandi	583	0.07	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Bajra+Current fallow (Bj+Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	587	2.91	MLRhB1g1	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Alavandi	588	4.25	KTPcB1g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Bajra+Groundnut (Bj+Gn)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	589	1.85	KTPcB1g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Bajra (Bj)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	590	0.61	KTPcB1g1	LMU-5	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Low (51-100 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Bajra+Current fallow +Sugarcane (Bj+Cf+Sc)	Not Available	IIs	TCB
Alavandi	655	0.81	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Groundnut (Gn)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	656	0.02	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	663	0.12	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds/
Alavandi	664	0.44	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Bajra (Bj)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	665	0.7	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	666	5.99	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	Maize+Current fallow (Mz+Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	667	3.06	MKHhB1g2	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	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIIses	TCB
Alavandi	668	3.59	MKHhB1	LMU-4	Moderately shallow (50-75 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Pomegranate+Currentfallow(Pg+Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	669	3.99	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	Pomegranate (Pg)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	670	3.46	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	Pomegranate+Current fallow (Pg+Cf)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	671	3.15	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	Jowar (Jw)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	672	5.58	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	Currentfallow+Jowar (Cf+Jw)	Not Available	IIIs	TCB
Alavandi	673	1.1	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Currentfallow+Groundnut (Cf+Gn)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds

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Alavandi	674	5.75	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	675	0.55	Habitation	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Habitation (Hb)	Not Available	Others	Field bunds
Alavandi	676	3.44	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	677	1.39	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Maize (Mz)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	678	2.46	BDGiB1g2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram+Current fallow (Rg+Cf)	Not Available	IIIes	Field bunds
Alavandi	679	1.24	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Current fallow (Cf)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	680	0	HDLmA1g1	LMU-1	Deep (100-150 cm)	Clay	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Nearly level (0-1%)	Slight	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	IIs	Field bunds
Alavandi	695	0.68	BDGiB1g2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Currentfallow+Horsegram+Bajra(Cf+Hg+Bj)	Not Available	IIIes	TCB
Alavandi	696	0.24	BDGiB1g2	LMU-2	Moderately deep (75-100 cm)	Sandy clay	Very gravelly (35-60%)	Very Low (<50 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Redgram (Rg)	Not Available	IIIes	TCB
Byrapura	145	1.85	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Green gram+Fallow land (Gg+Fl)	1 Farm Pond	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	146	3.14	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Bajra+Fallow land (Bj+Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	147	3.63	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	148	2.9	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Fallow land (Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	149	5.81	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Maize+Bajra+Fallow land (Mz+Bj+Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	150	2.98	MLRhB1g1	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Sandy clay loam	Gravelly (15-35%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Slight	Maize+Bajra (Mz+Bj)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Byrapura	151	3.57	MLRmB2	LMU-1	Very deep (>150 cm)	Clay	Non gravelly (<15%)	Very high (>200 mm/m)	Very gently sloping (1-3%)	Moderate	Currentfallow+Bajra+Fallowland(Cf+Bj+Fl)	Not Available	IIs	Graded bunding
Kampli	60	0.02	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Kampli	61	0.05	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others
Kampli	63	0.05	Waterbody	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Not Available (NA)	Not Available	Others	Others





Village	Survey No	Soil Reaction	Salinity	Organic Carbon	Available Phosphorus	Available Potassium	Available Sulphur	Available Boron	Available Iron	Available Manganese	Available Copper	Available Zinc
Alavandi	675	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Alavandi	676	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	677	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	678	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Medium (23 - 57 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	679	Strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 - 9.0)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	680	Strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 - 9.0)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	695	Strongly alkaline (pH 8.4 - 9.0)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Alavandi	696	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	145	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	146	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	Medium (10 - 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	147	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	148	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	High (> 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	149	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	High (>0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	150	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	Low (< 10 ppm)	Low (< 0.5 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Byrapura	151	Moderately alkaline (pH 7.8 - 8.4)	Non saline (<2 dsm )	Medium (0.5 - 0.75 %)	Low (< 23 kg/ha)	Medium (145 - 337 kg/ha)	High (> 20 ppm)	Medium ( 0.5 - 1.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 4.5 ppm)	Sufficient (> 1.0 ppm)	Sufficient (> 2.0 ppm)	Deficient (< 0.6 ppm)
Kampli	60	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Kampli	61	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Kampli	63	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others

**Appendix III**  
**Alavandi 1 Microwatershed**  
**Soil Suitability Information**

Village	Sy No.	Mango	Maize	Sapota	Sorgham	Guava	Cotton	Tamarind	Lime	Bengal gram	Sunflower	Redgram	Amla	Jackfruit	Custard apple	Cashew	Jamun	Musambi	Groundnut	Chilly	Tomato	Marigold	Chrysan themum	Pome granate	Bajra	Jasmine	Crossandra	Dstick	Mulberry	
Alavandi	554	N1rz	S3tz	S3rz	S2rz	S3tz	S2rz	N1rz	S3rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	S2rz	S3tz	S2rz	N1tz	S3tz	S3rz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3tz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	
Alavandi	555	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
Alavandi	556	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
Alavandi	557	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	558	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	559	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	560	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	561	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	562	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	563	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	564	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
Alavandi	565	N1rz	S3tz	S3rz	S2rz	S3tz	S2rz	N1rz	S3rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	S2rz	S3tz	S2rz	N1tz	S3tz	S3rz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2rz	S2rz	S3rz	S3tz	S2rz	S3rz	S3rz	S3rz	
Alavandi	566	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	567	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	569	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	570	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	571	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	572	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	573	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3rt	N1rg	N1rg	S3rt	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	N1rg	S3r	N1r	N1rg	N1rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	S3rg	N1rg	S3r	S3rg	S3rg	N1r	N1r	
Alavandi	574	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	575	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	576	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	577	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	578	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	579	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	580	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	

Village	Sy No.	Mango	Maize	Sapota	Sorgham	Guava	Cotton	Tamarind	Lime	Bengal gram	Sunflower	Redgram	Amla	Jackfruit	Custard apple	Cashew	Jamun	Musambi	Groundnut	Chilly	Tomato	Marigold	Chrysan themum	Pome granate	Bajra	Jasmine	Crossandra	Dstick	Mulberry	
Alavandi	581	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Alavandi	582	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Alavandi	583	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	587	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Alavandi	588	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	589	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	590	N1r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	N1r	S3r	S3t	S3r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S3r	S3r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S2r	S2r	S2r	S3r	S3r	
Alavandi	655	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	656	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	663	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	664	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	665	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	666	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	667	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	668	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	669	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	670	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	671	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	672	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	S2rg	S3rg	S3rg	
Alavandi	673	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	674	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	675	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
Alavandi	676	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	677	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	678	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	
Alavandi	679	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	680	S3t	S3tg	S3t	S2g	S3t	S1	S2rt	S2g	S1	S2g	S2t	S2t	S3t	S1	N1t	S2rt	S2g	S3t	S3t	S3t	S2tg	S2tg	S2tg	S3tg	S3t	S2t	S2tg	S2tg	
Alavandi	695	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	

Village	Sy No.	Mango	Maize	Sapota	Sorgham	Guava	Cotton	Tamarind	Lime	Bengal gram	Sunflower	Redgram	Amla	Jackfruit	Custard apple	Cashew	Jamun	Musambi	Groundnut	Chilly	Tomato	Marigold	Chrysan themum	Pome granate	Bajra	Jasmine	Crossandra	Dstick	Mulberry	
Alavandi	696	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g	S3g	S2g	S2rg	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S3g	S2g
Byrapura	145	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Byrapura	146	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
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Byrapura	149	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Byrapura	150	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
Byrapura	151	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2z	S3tz	S2z	S2tz	S2z	S2z	S2z	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S2z	N1tz	S2tz	S2z	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S2tz	S2tz	S3tz	S3tz	S3tz	S2tz	S3tz	
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# **PART-B**

**SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS OF FARM HOUSEHOLDS**



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**FINDINGS OF THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC SURVEY**

- ❖ *The survey was conducted in Alawandi-1 is located at North latitude 150 13' 46.49" and 150 12' 11.998" and East longitude 750 59' 12.174" and 750 58' 21.011" covering an area of about 212.14 ha coming under Alawandi, Kampli and Byrapura Villages of Koppal taluk.*
- ❖ *Socio-economic analysis of Alawandi-1 micro watersheds of Kavalur sub-watershed, Koppala taluk & District indicated that, out of the total sample of 38 farmers were sampled in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed among households surveyed 11 (28.95%) were marginal, 13 (34.21%) were small, 7 (18.42 %) were semi medium, 1 (2.63 %) were medium and 1 (2.63 %) were large farmers. 5 landless farmers were also interviewed for the survey.*
- ❖ *The population characteristics of households indicated that, there were 88 (56.05%) men and 69 (43.95 %) were women. The average population of landless was 3.6, marginal farmers were 4.5, small farmers were 3.2, semi medium farmers were 5.4, medium farmers were 7 and large farmers were 3.*
- ❖ *Majority of the respondents (45.22%) were in the age group of 16-35 years.*
- ❖ *Education level of the sample households indicated that, there were 21.66 per cent illiterates, 77.07 per cent pre university education and 8.92 per cent attained graduation.*
- ❖ *About, 78.95 per cent of household heads practicing agriculture and 18.42 per cent of the household heads were engaged as agricultural labourers.*
- ❖ *Agriculture was the major occupation for 59.87 per cent of the household members.*
- ❖ *In the study area, 92.11 per cent of the households possess katcha house and 5.26 per cent possess pucca house.*
- ❖ *The durable assets owned by the households showed that, 60.53 per cent possess TV, 21.05 per cent possess mixer grinder, 86.84 per cent possess mobile phones and 42.11 per cent possess motor cycles.*
- ❖ *Farm implements owned by the households indicated that, 5.26 per cent of the households possess plough, 2.63 per cent possess bullock cart and 5.26 per cent possess sprayer.*
- ❖ *Regarding livestock possession by the households, 7.89 per cent possess local cow and 2.63 per cent possess buffalo.*
- ❖ *The average labour availability in the study area showed that, own labour men available in the micro watershed was 1.44, women available in the micro watershed was 1.30, hired labour (men) available was 6.08 and hired labour (women) available was 6.49.*

- ❖ *Out of the total land holding of the sample respondents 82.22 per cent (54.61 ha) of the area is under dry condition and the remaining 16.30 per cent area is irrigated land.*
- ❖ *There were 3.00 live bore wells and 3.00 dry bore wells among the sampled households.*
- ❖ *Bore well was the major source of irrigation for 7.89 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *The major crops grown by sample farmers are Maize, Sunflower, Green gram, Groundnut and Soeghum and cropping intensity was recorded as 83.68 per cent.*
- ❖ *Out of the sample households 84.21 percent possessed bank account and 10.53 per cent of them have savings in the account.*
- ❖ *About 42.11 per cent of the respondents borrowed credit from various sources.*
- ❖ *Among the credit borrowed by households, 10.53 per cent 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, Sunflower, Green gram, Groundnut and Soeghum was Rs.26203.34, 19542.91, 19984.52, 32714.00 and 23213.22 with benefit cost ratio of 1:1.70, 1: 2.10, 1: 2.60, 1: 2.90 and 1:0.92 respectively.*
- ❖ *Further, 18.42 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 2.63 per cent of the households have opined that the green fodder was adequate.*
- ❖ *The average annual gross income of the farmers was Rs. 104680.26 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 48969.74 comes from agriculture.*
- ❖ *Sampled households have grown 86 horticulture trees and 59 forestry trees together in the fields and back yards.*
- ❖ *Households have an average investment capacity of Rs. 157.89 for land development.*
- ❖ *Source of funds for additional investment is concerned, 2.56 per cent depends on bank loan for land development activities.*
- ❖ *Regarding marketing channels, 57.89 per cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants, while, 31.58 per cent have sold in regulated markets.*
- ❖ *Further, 84.21 per cent of the households have used tractor for the transport of agriculture commodity.*

- ❖ *Majority of the farmers (73.68%) have experienced soil and water erosion problems in the watershed and 81.58 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.*
- ❖ *Fire was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 76.32 per cent of the households and 28.95 per cent households has LPG connection.*
- ❖ *Piped supply was the major source for drinking water for 73.68 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *Electricity was the major source of light for 97.37 per cent of the households.*
- ❖ *In the study area, 36.84 per cent of the households possess toilet facility.*
- ❖ *Regarding possession of PDS card, 89.47 per cent of the households possessed BPL card, 2.63 per cent of the household's possessed APL card and 5.26 per cent of the household's were not having ration cards.*
- ❖ *Households opined that, the requirement of cereals (84.21%), pulses (81.58%) and oilseeds (42.11%) are adequate for consumption.*
- ❖ *Farming constraints experienced by households in the micro watersheds were lower fertility status of the soil was the constraint experienced by (84.21 %) per cent of the households, wild animal menace on farm field (81.58%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (78.95%), inadequacy of irrigation water (39.47%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (76.32%), high rate of interest on credit (71.05%), low price for the agricultural commodities (71.05 %), lack of marketing facilities in the area (65.79%), inadequate extension services (18.42 %) and lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (36.84%).*



## 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, labor 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 Alawandi-1 micro-watershed (Kavalur sub-watershed, Koppala taluk & District) is located at North latitude 15<sup>0</sup> 13' 46.49" and 15<sup>0</sup> 12' 11.998" and East longitude 75<sup>0</sup> 59' 12.174" and 75<sup>0</sup> 58' 21.011" covering an area of about 212.14 ha bounded by under Alawandi, Kampli and Byrapura 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 38 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 Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 1 and it indicated that 38 farmers were sampled in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed among households surveyed 11 (28.95%) were marginal, 13 (34.21%) were small, 7 (18.42 %) were semi medium, 1 (2.63 %) were medium and 1 (2.63 %) were large farmers. 5 landless farmers were also interviewed for the survey.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Farmers	5	13.2	11	29	13	34.2	7	18.4	1	2.63	1	3	38	100

**Population characteristics:** The population characteristics of households sampled for socio-economic survey in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 2. The data indicated that, there were 88 (56.05%) men and 69 (43.95%) were women. The average population of landless was 3.6, marginal farmers were 4.5, small farmers were 3.2, semi medium farmers were 5.4, medium farmers were 7 and large farmers were 3.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (18)		MF (49)		SF (42)		SMF (38)		MDF (7)		LF (3)		All (157)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Men	9	50	27	55	23	55	23	60.5	4	57.1	2	67	88	56.1
2	Women	9	50	22	45	19	45	15	39.5	3	42.9	1	33	69	44
	Total	18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100
	Average	3.6		4.5		3.2		5.4		7.0		3.0		4.1	

**Age wise classification of population:** The age wise classification of household members in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 3. The indicated that, 25 (15.92%) of population were 0-15 years of age, 71 (45.22%) were 16-35 years of age, 44(28.03%) were 36-60 years of age and 17 (10.83 %) were above 61 years of age.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (18)		MF (49)		SF (42)		SMF (38)		MDF (7)		LF (3)		All (157)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	0-15 years of age	7	38.9	4	8.16	6	14.3	6	15.79	2	29	0	0	25	15.92
2	16-35 years of age	6	33.3	27	55.1	16	38.1	17	44.74	3	43	2	67	71	45.22
3	36-60 years of age	5	27.8	11	22.5	14	33.3	12	31.58	1	14	1	33	44	28.03
4	> 61 years	0	0	7	14.3	6	14.3	3	7.89	1	14	0	0	17	10.83
	Total	18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100

**Education level of household members:** Education level of household members in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 4. The results indicated that, there were 21.66 per cent of illiterates, 23.57 per cent of them had primary school education, 7.64 per cent middle school education, 21.66 per cent high school education, 12.10 per cent of them had PUC education, 8.92 per cent attained graduation and 1.27 them had other education.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (18)		MF (49)		SF (42)		SMF (38)		MDF (7)		LF (3)		All (157)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Illiterate	7	38.9	10	20.4	11	26.2	5	13.2	0	0	1	33	34	21.7
2	Primary School	7	38.9	9	18.4	8	19.1	11	29	2	28.57	0	0	37	23.6
3	Middle School	2	11.1	7	14.3	2	4.76	1	2.63	0	0	0	0	12	7.64
4	High School	1	5.56	15	30.6	9	21.4	8	21.1	1	14.29	0	0	34	21.7
5	PUC	0	0	6	12.2	5	11.9	7	18.4	1	14.29	0	0	19	12.1
6	ITI	0	0	0	0	1	2.38	3	7.89	0	0	0	0	4	2.55
7	Degree	0	0	2	4.08	5	11.9	2	5.26	3	42.86	2	67	14	8.92
8	Masters	0	0	0	0	1	2.38	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.64
9	Others	1	5.56	0	0	0	0	1	2.63	0	0	0	0	2	1.27
Total		18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100

**Occupation of head of households:**The data regarding the occupation of the household heads in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 5. The results indicate that, 78.95 per cent of households heads were practicing agriculture and 18.42 per cent of the household heads were agricultural Labour.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture	0	0	11	100	11	84.62	7	100	0	0	1	100	30	78.95
2	Agricultural Labour	5	100	0	0	1	7.69	0	0	1	100	0	0	7	18.42
Total		5	100	11	100	12	100	7	100	1	100	1	100	37	100

**Occupation of the members of the household:**The data regarding the occupation of the household members in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 6. The results indicate that, agriculture was the major occupation for 59.87 per cent of the household members, 7.01 per cent were agricultural labour, 1.27 per cent were general labour, 19.75 per cent were working in pursuing education, 1.91 per cent were involved as housewife and 1.27 per cent were children.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (18)		MF (49)		SF (42)		SMF (38)		MDF (7)		LF (3)		All (157)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture	1	5.56	40	81.6	27	64.29	21	55.26	2	29	3	100	94	59.9
2	Agricultural Labour	8	44.4	0	0	2	4.76	0	0	1	14	0	0	11	7.01
3	General Labour	2	11.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.27
4	Private Service	0	0	1	2.04	6	14.29	6	15.79	1	14	0	0	14	8.92
5	Student	6	33.3	8	16.3	6	14.29	10	26.32	1	14	0	0	31	19.8
6	Housewife	0	0	0	0	1	2.38	0	0	2	29	0	0	3	1.91
7	Children	1	5.56	0	0	0	0	1	2.63	0	0	0	0	2	1.27
Total		18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100

**Institutional Participation of household members:** The data regarding the institutional participation of the household members in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 7. The results show that, out of the total family members in the households 100 per cent of them were not participating in any of the institutions.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (18)		MF (49)		SF (42)		SMF (38)		MDF (7)		LF (3)		All (157)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	No Participation	18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100
	Total	18	100	49	100	42	100	38	100	7	100	3	100	157	100

**Type of house owned:** The data regarding the type of house owned by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 8. The results indicate that, 2.63 percent possess thatched house, 92.11 per cent of the households possess katcha house and 5.26 per cent possess pucca house.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Thatched	0	0	1	9.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
2	Katcha	5	100	9	82	13	100	6	85.7	1	100	1	100	35	92.11
3	Pucca/RCC	0	0	1	9.1	0	0	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	2	5.26
	Total	5	100	11	100	13	100	7	100	1	100	1	100	38	100

**Durable assets owned by the households:** The data regarding the Durable Assets owned by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 9. The results shows that, 60.53 per cent possess TV, 21.05 per cent possess mixer grinder, 18.42 per cent possess Bicycle, 42.11 per cent possess motor cycle and 86.84 per cent possess mobile phones.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Television	1	20	9	82	8	61.5	5	71	0	0	0	0	23	60.53
2	Mixer/Grinder	0	0	3	27	3	23.1	1	14	0	0	1	100	8	21.05
3	Bicycle	1	20	3	27	1	7.69	2	29	0	0	0	0	7	18.42
4	Motor Cycle	0	0	4	36	7	53.9	3	43	1	100	1	100	16	42.11
5	Tempo	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
6	Mobile Phone	2	40	11	100	11	84.6	7	100	1	100	1	100	33	86.84
7	Blank	3	60	0	0	1	7.69	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	10.53

**Average value of durable assets:** The data regarding the average value of durable assets owned by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 10. The result shows that, the average value of television was Rs.3847.00, mixer grinder was Rs.1700.00, bicycle was Rs.1428.00, motor cycle was Rs. 31937.00 and mobile phone was Rs.2408.00.

**Table 10. Average value of durable assets owned in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Average Value (Rs.)

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL(5)	MF(11)	SF(13)	SMF(7)	MDF(1)	LF(1)	All (38)
1	Television	2000	3277	3812	5300	0	0	3847
2	Mixer/Grinder	0	1333	1366	2000	0	3500	1700
3	Bicycle	1000	1000	1000	2500	0	0	1428
4	Motor Cycle	0	32500	27285	40000	30000	40000	31937
5	Tempo	0	0	0	300000	0	0	300000
6	Mobile Phone	1000	1684	2818	3485	2000	3000	2408

**Farm implements owned:** The data regarding the farm implements owned by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 11. About 2.63 per cent of the households possess Bullock Cart, 5.26 per cent possess plough, 5.26 per cent possess Sprayer, 34.21 per cent possess Weeder and 2.63 per cent possess Thresher.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bullock Cart	0	0	1	9.09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
2	Plough	0	0	1	9.09	0	0	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	2	5.26
3	Sprayer	0	0	1	9.09	1	7.69	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.26
4	Weeder	1	20	6	54.6	5	38.46	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	13	34.21
5	Thresher	0	0	1	9.09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
6	Blank	4	80	5	45.5	8	61.54	6	85.7	1	100	1	100	25	65.79

**Average value of farm implements:** The data regarding the average value of farm Implements owned by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 12. The results show that the average value of plough was Rs.2333.00, bullock Cart was Rs.20000.00, Sprayer was Rs.666.00 and weeder was Rs.40.00.

**Table 12. Average value of farm implements in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Average Value (Rs.)

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
1	Bullock Cart	0	20000	0	0	0	0	20000
2	Plough	0	5000	0	1000	0	0	2333
3	Sprayer	0	500	1000	0	0	0	666
4	Weeder	50	67	27	18	0	0	40
5	Thresher	0	500	0	0	0	0	500

**Livestock possession by the households:** The data regarding the Livestock possession by the households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 13. The results indicate that, 5.26 per cent of the households possess bullocks, 7.89 per cent possess local cow and 2.63 per cent possess buffalo.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF(11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All(38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bullock	0	0	2	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.26
2	Local cow	0	0	1	9.1	1	7.69	1	14	0	0	0	0	3	7.89
3	Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
4	blank	5	100	9	82	12	92.31	6	86	1	100	1	100	34	89.47

**Average Labour availability:** The data regarding the average labour availability in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 14. The indicated that, own labour men available in the micro watershed was 1.44, women available in the micro watershed was 1.30, hired labour (men) available was 6.08 and hired labour (women) available was 6.49.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Hired labour Female	0	7.64	7.77	5.14	9	10	6.49
2	Own Labour Female	0.25	1.82	1.08	1.57	1	1	1.3
3	Own labour Male	0.25	1.91	1.33	1.57	2	1	1.44
4	Hired labour Male	0	6.73	7.38	5.29	8	10	6.08

**Adequacy of hired labour:** The data regarding the adequacy of hired labour in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 15. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent of the household opined that hired labour was adequate.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Adequate	4	80	11	100	13	100	7	100	1	100	2	200	38	100

**Distribution of land (ha):** The data regarding the distribution of land (ha) in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 16. The results indicate that, 44.90 ha (82.22%) of dry land and 8.90 ha (16.30 %) of irrigated land.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Dry	0	0	8.04	90.85	19.01	100	13.4	82.55	4.45	100	0	0	44.9	82.22
2	Irrigated	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.83	17.45	0	0	6.07	100	8.9	16.3
3	Permanent Fallow	0	0	0.81	9.15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.81	1.48
Total		0	100	8.85	100	19.01	100	16.23	100	4.45	100	6.07	100	54.61	100

**Average value of land (ha):** The data regarding the average land value (Rs./ha) in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 17. The results show that the average

value of dry land was Rs.451924.29 and the average value of irrigated land was Rs.179636.36.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Dry	0	534793.6	289165.6	738538.2	134727.3	0	451924.3
2	Irrigated	0	0	0	494000	0	32933.33	179636.4
3	Permanent Fallow	0	370500	0	0	0	0	370500

**Status of bore wells:** The data regarding the status of bore wells in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 18. The results indicate that, there were 3 De-functioning bore wells and 3 functioning bore wells among the sampled households in micro watershed.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	De-functioning	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
2	Functioning	0	0	0	3	0	0	3

**Source of irrigation:** The data regarding the source of irrigation in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 19. The results indicate that, bore well for 7.89 per cent of the households.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Bore Well	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	42.9	0	0	0	0	3	7.89

**Depth of water (Avg. In meters):** The data regarding the depth of water in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 20. The results revealed that, the depth of bore well was 6.34 meter.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Bore Well	0	0	0	34.4	0	0	6.34

**Irrigated Area (ha):** The data regarding the irrigated area (ha) in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 21. The results indicate that, the availability of irrigation water was used for kharif crops was 4.86 ha and 0.81 ha for rabi crop.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
1	Kharif	0	0	0	4.86	0	0	4.86
2	Rabi	0	0	0	0.81	0	0	0.81
Total		0	0	0	5.67	0	0	5.67

**Cropping pattern:** The data regarding the cropping pattern in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 22. The results indicate that, farmers have grown Maize (16.26 ha), Sunflower (12.87 ha), Sapota (6.07 ha), Groundnut (3.64 ha) Greengram (3.24 ha), Sorghum (1.62 ha) and Sugarcane (1.62 ha).

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
1	Kharif - Maize	0	3.04	8.77	4.45	0	0	16.26
2	Kharif - Sunflower	0	4.19	3.77	2.47	2.43	0	12.87
3	Kharif - Sapota	0	0	0	0	0	6.07	6.07
4	Kharif - Groundnut	0	0	1.62	0	2.02	0	3.64
5	Kharif - Greengram	0	0	3.24	0	0	0	3.24
6	Kharif - Sorghum	0	0.81	0	0.81	0	0	1.62
7	Kharif - Sugarcane	0	0	0	1.62	0	0	1.62

**Cropping intensity:** The data regarding the cropping intensity in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 23. The results indicate that, the cropping intensity was 83.68 per cent.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
1	Cropping Intensity	0	100	88.46	81.31	50	100	83.68

**Possession of bank account and savings:** The data regarding the possession of bank account and saving in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 24. The results indicate that, 84.21 cent of the households posses bank account and 10.53 per cent of them have savings.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Account	4	80	7	63.64	13	100	6	85.71	1	100	1	100	32	84.21
2	Savings	0	0	1	9.09	3	23.08	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	10.53

**Borrowing status:** The data regarding the borrowing status in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 25. The results indicate that, 42.11 percent of the sample farmers have borrowed credit from different sources.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Credit Availed	4	80	2	18.18	3	23.1	5	71.4	1	100	1	100	16	42.11

**Source of credit:** The data regarding the source of credit availed by households in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 26. The results show that, 10.53 per cent have borrowed loan from Friends/Relatives, 10.53 per cent have borrowed loan from Grameena Bank and 5.26 per cent have borrowed loan from SHGs/CBOs.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (0)		MF (7)		SF (9)		SMF (1)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (19)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Friends/Relatives	1	0	0	0	1	11.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10.53
2	Grameena Bank	0	0	0	0	2	22.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10.53
3	SHGs/CBOs	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	1	5.26

**Avg. Credit amount:** The data regarding the avg. Credit amount in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 27. The results show that, farmers have borrowed Avg. Credit of Rs.39350.93 from different sources.

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

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (0)	MF (7)	SF (9)	SMF (1)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (19)
		N	N	N	N	N	N	N
1	Average Credit	0	12500	55555.6	30000	125550	12500	39350.9

**Purpose of credit borrowed (institutional Source):** The data regarding the purpose of credit borrowed - Institutional Credit in Alawandi-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 Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

SN	Particulars	SF (2)		SMF (0)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (2)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture production	2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100

**Purpose of credit borrowed (Private Source):** The data regarding the purpose of credit borrowed – Private Source in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed is presented in Table 29. The results indicate that, 66.67 per cent of the households have borrowed loan for agriculture and household consumption (33.33 %).

**Table 29. Purpose of credit borrowed (Private Source) by households in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	SF (1)		SMF (1)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (3)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Agriculture production	1	100	1	100	0	0	0	0	2	66.67
2	Household consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	33.33

**Repayment status of household (institutional Source):** The data regarding the repayment status of credit borrowed from institutional Source by households in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 30. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent have unpaid.

**Table 30. Repayment status of household (institutional Source) in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (0)		MF (0)		SF (2)		SMF (0)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (2)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Un paid	0	0	0	0	2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100

**Repayment status of household (Private Source):** The data regarding the repayment status of credit borrowed from private sources by households in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 31. The results indicate that, 66.67 per cent of the households have partially paid and 66.67 percent have fully paid.

**Table 31. Repayment status of household (Private Source) in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (1)		MF (0)		SF (1)		SMF (1)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (3)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Partially paid	1	100	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	66.7
2	Un paid	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	1	33.3

**Opinion regarding institutional sources of credit:** The data regarding the opinion on institutional sources of credit in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 32. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent of the households opined that credit helped to perform timely agricultural operations.

**Table 32. Opinion regarding institutional sources of credit in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (0)		MF (0)		SF (2)		SMF (0)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (2)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Helped to perform timely agricultural operations	0	0	0	0	2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100

**Opinion regarding Non- institutional sources of credit:** The data regarding the opinion on non-institutional sources of credit in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 33. The results indicate that, 100.00 per cent of the households opined that credit helped to perform timely agricultural operations and 33.33 per cent easy accessibility of credit.

**Table 33. Opinion regarding Non- institutional sources of credit in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (1)		MF (0)		SF (1)		SMF (1)		MDF (0)		LF (0)		All (3)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Easy accessibility of credit	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	33

**Cost of Cultivation of Maize:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Maize in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 34.a. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Maize was Rs. 26203.34. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 43284.73. The net income from Maize cultivation was Rs.17081.39, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:1.70.

**Table 34(a). Cost of Cultivation of Maize in Alawandi-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	25.07	6600.27	25.19
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0.8	546.94	2.09
3	Tractor	Hours	2.22	1948.24	7.44
4	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	24.82	4581.01	17.48
5	FYM	Quintal	7.37	1371.73	5.23
6	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	2.87	2515.76	9.6
7	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs/liters	1.22	1034.59	3.95
8	Depreciation charges		0	0.26	0
9	Land revenue and Taxes		0	1.98	0.01
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
10	Interest on working capital			1140.45	4.35
11	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			19741.24	75.34
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
12	Rental Value of Land			344.44	1.31
13	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			20085.68	76.65
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
14	Family Human Labour		14.68	3734.86	14.25
15	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			23820.55	90.91
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
16	Risk Premium			0.67	0
17	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			23821.21	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
18	Managerial Cost			2382.12	9.09
19	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			26203.34	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
		a) Main Product (q)	29.01	41284.8	
	Main Product	b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		1423.33	
		e) Main Product (q)	4.6	1999.93	
a.	By Product	f) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		434.67	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			43284.73	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			17081.39	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			903.39	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:1.7	

**Cost of Cultivation of Sunflower:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Sunflower in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 34.b. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Sunflower was Rs. 19542.91. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 40841.26. The net income from Sunflower cultivation was Rs.21298.35, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:2.10.

**Table 34(b). Cost of Cultivation of Sunflower in Alawandi-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	27.71	5118.91	26.19
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	1.1	575.7	2.95
3	Tractor	Hours	2.23	2107.03	10.78
4	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	6.06	1833.27	9.38
5	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	2.17	1764.26	9.03
6	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	1.06	1195.62	6.12
7	Depreciation charges		0	43.46	0.22
8	Land revenue and Taxes		0	4.45	0.02
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
9	Interest on working capital			575.3	2.94
10	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			13217.97	67.64
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
11	Rental Value of Land			476.67	2.44
12	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			13694.64	70.07
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
13	Family Human Labour		19.18	4070.64	20.83
14	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			17765.28	90.9
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
15	Risk Premium			1	0.01
16	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			17766.28	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
17	Managerial Cost			1776.63	9.09
18	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			19542.91	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	9.63	40841.26	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		4240	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			40841.26	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			21298.35	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			2028.88	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:2.1	

**Cost of Cultivation of Green gram:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Green gram in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 34.c. The results indicate, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Green gram was Rs.19984.52. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 52101.56. The net income from Green gram cultivation was Rs. 32117.04, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:2.60.

**Table 34(c). Cost of Cultivation of Green gram in Alawandi-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	17.91	3612.38	18.08
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0.93	555.75	2.78
3	Tractor	Hours	1.24	957.13	4.79
4	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	6.79	1111.5	5.56
5	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	6.18	5693.35	28.49
6	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	1.24	1235	6.18
7	Depreciation charges		0	0.62	0
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
8	Interest on working capital			965.98	4.83
9	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			14131.71	70.71
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
10	Rental Value of Land			166.67	0.83
11	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			14298.37	71.55
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
12	Family Human Labour		19.14	3859.38	19.31
13	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			18157.75	90.86
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
14	Risk Premium			10	0.05
15	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			18167.75	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
16	Managerial Cost			1816.77	9.09
17	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			19984.52	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	13.89	52101.56	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		3750	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			52101.56	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			32117.04	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			1438.38	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:2.6	

**Cost of Cultivation of Groundnut:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Groundnut in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 34.d. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Groundnut was Rs. 32714.00. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs.93921.75. The net income from Groundnut cultivation was Rs. 61207.75, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:2.90.

**Table 34(d). Cost of Cultivation of Groundnut in Alawandi-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	24.08	4279.28	13.08
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0.62	308.75	0.94
3	Tractor	Hours	1.98	1976	6.04
4	Machinery	Hours	0	0	0
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	123.5	16672.5	50.96
6	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	1.36	988	3.02
7	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	0.49	592.8	1.81
8	Depreciation charges		0	0.62	0
9	Land revenue and Taxes		0	4.94	0.02
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
10	Interest on working capital			2190.4	6.7
11	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			27013.28	82.57
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
12	Rental Value of Land			466.67	1.43
13	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			27479.95	84
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
14	Family Human Labour		11.36	2260.05	6.91
15	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			29740	90.91
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
16	Risk Premium			0	0
17	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			29740	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
18	Managerial Cost			2974	9.09
19	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			32714	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	22.23	93921.75	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		4225	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			93921.75	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			61207.75	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			1471.61	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:2.9	

**Cost of Cultivation of Sorghum:** The data regarding the cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) of Sorghum in Alawandi-1 micro watershed is presented in Table 34.e. The results indicate that, the total cost of cultivation (Rs/ha) for Sorghum was Rs.23213.22. The gross income realized by the farmers was Rs. 21674.25. The net income from Sorghum cultivation was Rs. -1538.97, thus the benefit cost ratio was found to be 1:0.92.

**Table 34(e). Cost of Cultivation of Sorghum in Alawandi-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	45.08	8552.38	36.84
2	Bullock	Pairs/day	0	0	0
3	Tractor	Hours	2.47	2470	10.64
4	Machinery	Hours	0	0	0
5	Seed Main Crop (Establishment and Maintenance)	Kgs (Rs.)	12.35	1482	6.38
6	Seed Inter Crop	Kgs.	0	0	0
7	FYM	Quintal	0	0	0
8	Fertilizer + micronutrients	Quintal	2.47	1976	8.51
9	Pesticides (PPC)	Kgs / liters	0	0	0
10	Irrigation	Number	0	0	0
11	Repairs		0	0	0
12	Msc. Charges (Marketing costs etc)		0	0	0
13	Depreciation charges		0	26.56	0.11
14	Land revenue and Taxes		0	4.94	0.02
<b>II</b>	<b>Cost B1</b>				
16	Interest on working capital			414.96	1.79
17	<b>Cost B1 = (Cost A1 + sum of 15 and 16)</b>			14926.84	64.3
<b>III</b>	<b>Cost B2</b>				
18	Rental Value of Land			433.33	1.87
19	<b>Cost B2 = (Cost B1 + Rental value)</b>			15360.17	66.17
<b>IV</b>	<b>Cost C1</b>				
20	Family Human Labour		28.41	5742.75	24.74
21	<b>Cost C1 = (Cost B2 + Family Labour)</b>			21102.92	90.91
<b>V</b>	<b>Cost C2</b>				
22	Risk Premium			0	0
23	<b>Cost C2 = (Cost C1 + Risk Premium)</b>			21102.92	90.91
<b>VI</b>	<b>Cost C3</b>				
24	Managerial Cost			2110.29	9.09
25	<b>Cost C3 = (Cost C2 + Managerial Cost)</b>			23213.22	100
<b>VII</b>	<b>Economics of the Crop</b>				
a.	Main Product	a) Main Product (q)	16.06	21674.25	
		b) Main Crop Sales Price (Rs.)		1350	
b.	Gross Income (Rs.)			21674.25	
c.	Net Income (Rs.)			-1538.97	
d.	Cost per Quintal (Rs./q.)			1445.86	
e.	Benefit Cost Ratio (BC Ratio)			1:0.92	

**Adequacy of fodder:** The data regarding the adequacy of fodder in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 35. The results indicate that, 18.42 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 2.63 percent of them opined it was sufficient.

**Table 35. Adequacy of fodder in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Adequate-Dry Fodder	0	0	2	18.18	3	23.08	2	28.6	0	0	0	0	7	18.42
2	Adequate-Green Fodder	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	1	2.63

**Average annual gross income:** The data regarding the annual gross income in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 36. The results indicate that, the farmers have annual gross income of Rs. 104680.26 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 48969.74 is from agriculture itself.

**Table 36. Average annual gross income in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Service/salary	0	0	10000	28571.4	0	0	8684.21
2	Business	0	0	0	0	700000	0	18421.1
3	Wage	62200	27818.2	25384.6	20000	0	0	28605.3
4	Agriculture	0	28209.1	42734.6	77857.1	450000	0	48969.7
Income(Rs.)		62200	56027.3	78119.2	126429	1150000	0	104680

**Average annual Expenditure:** The data regarding the average annual expenditure in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 37. The results indicate that, the farmers have annual gross expenditure of Rs. 413048.47 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 27026.32 is from agriculture itself.

**Table 37. Average annual Expenditure in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Wage	35000	15600	11700	17333.3	0	0	10184.2
2	Agriculture	0	18777.8	25923.1	38714.3	250000	0	27026.3
Total		35000	34377.8	37623.1	56047.6	250000	0	413048

**Horticulture species grown:** The data regarding horticulture species grown in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 38. The results indicate that, the total number of horticultural trees grown (both field and backyard) by the sampled households were coconut (85) and Mango (1).

**Table 38. Horticulture species grown in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B
1	Coconut	0	0	0	0	0	0	85	0	0	0	0	0	85	0
2	Mango	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

\*F= Field B=Back Yard

**Forest species grown:** The data regarding forest species grown in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 39. The results indicate that, households have planted 7 teak trees, 38 neem trees, 4 tamarind trees, 3 acacia trees and 7 banyan trees together in both field and backyard.

**Table 39. Forest species grown in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B	F	B
1	Teak	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	7	0
2	Neem	0	0	11	0	13	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	38	0
3	Tamarind	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	4	0
4	Acacia	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
5	Banyan	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	7	0

\*F= Field B=Back Yard

**Average additional investment capacity:** The data regarding average additional investment capacity in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 40. The results indicate that, households have an average investment capacity of Rs. 157.89 for land development.

**Table 40. Average additional investment capacity of households in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (5)	MF (11)	SF (13)	SMF (7)	MDF (1)	LF (1)	All (38)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Land development	0	545.45	0	0	0	0	157.89

**Source of funds for additional investment:** The data regarding source of funds for additional investment in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 41. The results indicate that, the sources of finance raised from bank as a loan and from own sources for land development were 2.56.

**Table 41. Source of funds for additional investment in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Item	Land development	
		N	%
1	Loan from bank	1	2.56

**Marketing of agricultural produce:** The data regarding marketing of the agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 42. The results indicated that, 83.33 per cent of output of Bengal gram was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 4000.00; 100.00 per cent of output of Green gram was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 3750.00; 100.00 per cent of output of Groundnut was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 4225.00; 100.00 per cent of output of Jowar was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 1500.00 and 99.10 per cent of output of Maize was sold in the market with average price of Rs. 1423.33.

**Table 42. Marketing of agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No	Crops	Output obtained (q)	Output retained (q)	Output sold (q)	Output sold (%)	Avg. Price obtained (Rs/q)
1	Bengal gram	12	2	10	83	4000
2	Green gram	45	0	45	100	3750
3	Groundnut	87	0	87	100	4225
4	Jowar	15	0	15	100	1500
5	Maize	555	5	550	99	1423
6	Sorghum	26	2	24	92	1350
7	Sugarcane	160	10	150	94	2000
8	Sunflower	120	0	120	100	4240

**Marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce:** The data regarding marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 43. The results indicated that, 57.89 cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants and 31.58 per cent of regulated market.

**Table 43. Marketing channels used for sale of agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Local/village Merchant	0	0	7	64	10	76.9	3	42.9	2	200	0	0	22	57.89
2	Regulated Market	0	0	3	27	4	30.8	5	71.4	0	0	0	0	12	31.58

**Mode of transport of agricultural produce:** The data regarding mode of transport of agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 44. The results indicated that, 84.21 cent of the households have used tractor and 5.26 per cent have used Cart for the transport of agriculture commodity.

**Table 44. Mode of transport of agricultural produce in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cart	0	0	0	0	2	15.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.26
2	Tractor	0	0	10	91	12	92.3	8	114	2	200	0	0	32	84.21

**Incidence of soil and water erosion problems:** The data regarding incidence of incidence of soil and water erosion problems in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 45. The results indicate that, 73.68 per cent of the households have experienced soil and water erosion problems.

**Table 45. Incidence of soil and water erosion problems in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Soil and water erosion problems in the farm	0	0	8	73	12	92.3	7	100	1	100	0	0	28	73.68

**Interest towards soil testing:** The data regarding Interest shown towards soil testing in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 46. The results indicated that, 81.58 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.

**Table 46. Interest regarding soil testing in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Interest in soil test	0	0	10	91	13	100	7	100	1	100	0	0	31	81.58

**Soil and water conservation practices and structures adopted:** The data regarding soil and water conservation practices and structures adopted in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 47. The results indicated that 100 per cent of farmers practicing summer ploughing as soil and water conservation practice.

**Table 47. Soil and water conservation practices and structures adopted in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Field Bunding	0	0	0	0	1	7.7	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	2	5.26

**Status of soil and water conservation structures:** The data regarding status soil and water conservation structures adopted in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 48. The results indicated that, the households have adopted field bunding as a soil and water conservation structures out of which 50.00 per cent was slightly damaged and 50.00 percent were needs full replacement.

**Table 48. Status of soil and water conservation structures in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No	Item	Good		Slightly Damaged		Severely Damaged		Full Replacement Required	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Field Bunding	0	0	1	50	0	0	1	50

**Agencies involved in the soil and water conservation structures:** The data regarding Agencies involved in the soil and water conservation structures adopted in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 49. The results indicated that, 5.26 per cent were done by Govt.

**Table 49. Agencies involved in the soil and water conservation structures in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Govt.	0	0	0	0	1	7.69	1	14	0	0	0	0	2	5.26

**Usage pattern of fuel for domestic use:** The data on usage pattern of fuel for domestic use in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 50. The results indicated that, firewood was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 76.32 per cent of the households followed by LPG (28.95%).

**Table 50. Usage pattern of fuel for domestic use in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Fire Wood	2	40	7	63.6	14	108	5	71.4	1	100	0	0	29	76.32
2	LPG	3	60	4	36.4	1	7.69	3	42.9	0	0	0	0	11	28.95

**Source of drinking water:** The data on source of drinking water in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 51. The results indicated that, piped waters supply was the major source for drinking water for 73.68 per cent of the households followed by bore well water (15.79%).

**Table 51. Source of drinking water in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Piped supply	4	80	11	100	7	53.85	6	85.7	0	0	0	0	28	73.68
2	Bore Well	1	20	0	0	3	23.08	1	14.3	1	100	0	0	6	15.79
3	Lake/ Tank	0	0	0	0	3	23.08	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	7.89

**Source of light:** The data on source of light in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 52. The results indicated that, electricity was the major source of light for 97.37 per cent of the households.

**Table 52. Source of light in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Electricity	5	100	11	100	13	100	7	100	1	100	0	0	37	97.4

**Existence of sanitary toilet facility:** The data on availability of toilet facility in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 53. The results indicated that, 36.84 per cent of the households possess toilets.

**Table 53. Existence of sanitary toilet facility in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Sanitary toilet facility	3	60	2	18	1	7.69	7	100	1	100	0	0	14	36.8

**Possession of PDS card:** The data regarding possession of PDS card in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 54. The results indicated that, 89.47 per cent of the households possessed BPL card, 2.63 per cent possessed APL card and 5.26 per cent do not possess PDS card.

**Table 54. Possession of PDS card in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	APL	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0	1	2.63
2	BPL	5	100	9	81.8	13	100	6	86	1	100	0	0	34	89.47
3	Not Possessed	0	0	2	18.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.26

**Participation in NREGA programme:** The data regarding Participation in NREGA programme in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 55. The results indicated that, only 68.42 percent of the households have participated in NREGA programme.

**Table 55. Participation in NREGA programme in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl. No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Participation in NREGA programme	2	40	9	81.8	8	61.5	6	85.7	0	0	1	100	26	68.4

**Adequacy of food items:** The data regarding adequacy of food items in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 56. The results indicated that, the extent of adequacy of food items for cereals, pulses, Oilseeds and vegetables were 84.21, 81.58, 42.11, 50.00 per cent respectively, similarly for Fruits (31.58%), milk (47.37%), Egg (28.95%) and Meat (28.95%).

**Table 56. Adequacy of food items in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cereals	1	20	10	90.9	13	100	7	100	1	100	0	0	32	84.21
2	Pulses	1	20	10	90.9	12	92.31	7	100	1	100	0	0	31	81.58
3	Oilseed	0	0	5	45.5	5	38.46	5	71.4	1	100	0	0	16	42.11
4	Vegetables	1	20	4	36.4	5	38.46	8	114	1	100	0	0	19	50
5	Fruits	0	0	3	27.3	3	23.08	6	85.7	0	0	0	0	12	31.58
6	Milk	0	0	6	54.6	5	38.46	6	85.7	1	100	0	0	18	47.37
7	Egg	0	0	4	36.4	4	30.77	3	42.9	0	0	0	0	11	28.95
8	Meat	0	0	4	36.4	3	23.08	4	57.1	0	0	0	0	11	28.95

**Inadequacy of food items:** The data regarding in adequacy of food items in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 57. The results indicated that, the extent of in adequacy of food items for cereals, pulses, Oilseeds and vegetables were 10.53, 13.16, 52.63, 47.37 and 63.16 per cent respectively, similarly for fruits (63.16%), milk (52.63%), egg (57.89%) and meat (63.16%).

**Table 57. Inadequacy of food items in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

Sl.No.	Particulars	LL (5)		MF (11)		SF (13)		SMF (7)		MDF (1)		LF (1)		All (38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Cereals	4	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	10.53
2	Pulses	4	80	0	0	1	7.69	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	13.16
3	Oilseed	5	100	5	45.5	8	61.54	2	28.6	0	0	0	0	20	52.63
4	Vegetables	4	80	5	45.5	8	61.54	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	18	47.37
5	Fruits	5	100	7	63.6	9	69.23	2	28.6	1	100	0	0	24	63.16
6	Milk	5	100	6	54.6	8	61.54	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	20	52.63
7	Egg	5	100	5	45.5	9	69.23	2	28.6	1	100	0	0	22	57.89
8	Meat	5	100	5	45.5	10	76.92	3	42.9	1	100	0	0	24	63.16

**Farming constraints:** The data regarding farming constraints experienced by households in Alawandi-1 Micro watershed is presented in Table 58. The results indicated that, lower fertility status of the soil was the constraint experienced by (84.21 %) per cent of the households, wild animal menace on farm field (81.58%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (78.95%), inadequacy of irrigation water (39.47%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (76.32%), high rate of interest on credit (71.05%), low price for the agricultural commodities (71.05 %), lack of marketing facilities in the area (65.79%), inadequate extension services (18.42 %) and lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (36.84%).

**Table 58. Farming constraints experienced in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed**

SN	Particulars	LL(5)		MF(11)		SF(13)		SMF(7)		MDF(1)		LF(1)		All(38)	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1	Lower fertility status of the soil	1	20	10	90.91	13	100	7	100	1	100	0	0	32	84.21
2	Wild animal menace on farm field	1	20	10	90.91	13	100	6	85.71	1	100	0	0	31	81.58
3	Frequent incidence of pest and diseases	1	20	10	90.91	11	84.62	7	100	1	100	0	0	30	78.95
4	Inadequacy of irrigation water	0	0	5	45.45	7	53.85	3	42.86	0	0	0	0	15	39.47
5	High cost of Fertilizers and plant protection chemicals	1	20	8	72.73	12	92.31	7	100	1	100	0	0	29	76.32
6	High rate of interest on credit	1	20	10	90.91	10	76.92	5	71.43	1	100	0	0	27	71.05
7	Low price for the agricultural commodities	1	20	8	72.73	10	76.92	7	100	1	100	0	0	27	71.05
8	Lack of marketing facilities in the area	1	20	7	63.64	11	84.62	5	71.43	1	100	0	0	25	65.79
9	Inadequate extension services	0	0	2	18.18	4	30.77	1	14.29	0	0	0	0	7	18.42
10	Lack of transport for safe transport of the Agril produce to the market.	0	0	3	27.27	7	53.85	3	42.86	1	100	0	0	14	36.84



**SUMMARY AND IMPLICATIONS**

In order to assess the socio-economic condition of the farmers in the watershed 38 households located in the micro watershed were interviewed for the survey. The study was conducted in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed (Kavalur sub-watershed, Koppala taluk & District) is located at North latitude 15<sup>o</sup> 13' 46.49" and 15<sup>o</sup> 12' 11.998" and East longitude 75<sup>o</sup> 59' 12.174" and 75<sup>o</sup> 58' 21.011" covering an area of about 212.14 ha bounded by under Alawandi, Kampli and Byrapura Villages.

Socio-economic analysis of Alawandi-1 micro watersheds of Kavalur sub-watershed, Koppala taluk & District indicated that, out of the total sample of 38 farmers were sampled in Alawandi-1 micro-watershed among households surveyed 11 (28.95%) were marginal, 13 (34.21%) were small, 7 (18.42 %) were semi medium, 1 (2.63 %) were medium and 1 (2.63 %) were large farmers. 5 landless farmers were also interviewed for the survey. The population characteristics of households indicated that, there were 88 (56.05%) men and 69 (43.95 %) were women. The average population of landless was 3.6, marginal farmers were 4.5, small farmers were 3.2, semi medium farmers were 5.4, medium farmers were 7 and large farmers were 3. Majority of the respondents (45.22%) were in the age group of 16-35 years.

Education level of the sample households indicated that, there were 21.66 per cent illiterates, 77.07 per cent pre university education and 8.92 per cent attained graduation. About, 78.95 per cent of household heads practicing agriculture and 18.42 per cent of the household heads were engaged as agricultural labourers.

Agriculture was the major occupation for 59.87 per cent of the household members. In the study area, 92.11 per cent of the households possess katcha house and 5.26 per cent possess pucca house. The durable assets owned by the households showed that, 60.53 per cent possess TV, 21.05 per cent possess mixer grinder, 86.84 per cent possess mobile phones and 42.11 per cent possess motor cycles.

Farm implements owned by the households indicated that, 5.26 per cent of the households possess plough, 2.63 per cent possess bullock cart and 5.26 per cent possess sprayer. Regarding livestock possession by the households, 7.89 per cent possess local cow and 2.63 per cent possess buffalo. The average labour availability in the study area showed that, own labour men available in the micro watershed was 1.44, women available in the micro watershed was 1.30, hired labour (men) available was 6.08 and hired labour (women) available was 6.49.

Out of the total land holding of the sample respondents 82.22 per cent (54.61 ha) of the area is under dry condition and the remaining 16.30 per cent area is irrigated land. There were 3.00 live bore wells and 3.00 dry bore wells among the sampled households. Bore well was the major source of irrigation for 7.89 per cent of the households. The major crops grown by sample farmers are Maize, Sunflower, Green gram, Groundnut and Soeghum and cropping intensity was recorded as 83.68 per cent.

Out of the sample households 84.21 percent possessed bank account and 10.53 per cent of them have savings in the account. About 42.11 per cent of the respondents borrowed credit from various sources. Among the credit borrowed by households, 10.53 per cent 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, Sunflower, Green gram, Groundnut and Soeghum was Rs.26203.34 , 19542.91, 19984.52, 32714.00 and 23213.22 with benefit cost ratio of 1:1.70, 1: 2.10, 1: 2.60, 1: 2.90 and 1:0.92 respectively. Further, 18.42 per cent of the households opined that dry fodder was adequate and 2.63 per cent of the households have opined that the green fodder was adequate. The average annual gross income of the farmers was Rs. 104680.26 in micro-watershed, of which Rs. 48969.74 comes from agriculture.

Sampled households have grown 86 horticulture trees and 59 forestry trees together in the fields and back yards. Households have an average investment capacity of Rs. 157.89 for land development. Source of funds for additional investment is concerned, 2.56 per cent depends on bank loan for land development activities.

Regarding marketing channels, 57.89 per cent of the households have sold agricultural produce to the local/village merchants, while, 31.58 per cent have sold in regulated markets. Further, 84.21 per cent of the households have used tractor for the transport of agriculture commodity. Majority of the farmers (73.68%) have experienced soil and water erosion problems in the watershed and 81.58 per cent of the households were interested towards soil testing.

Fire was the major source of fuel for domestic use for 76.32 per cent of the households and 28.95 per cent households has LPG connection. Piped supply was the major source for drinking water for 73.68 per cent of the households. Electricity was the major source of light for 97.37 per cent of the households. In the study area, 36.84 per cent of the households possess toilet facility. Regarding possession of PDS card, 89.47 per cent of the households possessed BPL card, 2.63 per cent of the household's possessed APL card and 5.26 per cent of the household's were not having ration cards.

Households opined that, the requirement of cereals (84.21%), pulses (81.58%) and oilseeds (42.11%) are adequate for consumption. Farming constraints experienced by households in the micro watersheds were lower fertility status of the soil was the constraint experienced by (84.21 %) per cent of the households, wild animal menace on farm field (81.58%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (78.95%), inadequacy of irrigation water (39.47%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (76.32%), high rate of interest on credit (71.05%), low price for the agricultural commodities (71.05 %), lack of marketing facilities in the area (65.79%), inadequate extension services (18.42 %) and lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (36.84%).

### **Implications of the survey**

- ✓ Result indicated that, there were 21.66 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, 92.11 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 44.90ha (82.22 %) of dry land and 8.90ha (16.30 %) of irrigated land hence, the availability of the dry land 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 7.89 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 provides the information on

subsidy for drip irrigation equipment's along with the information on different agencies which provides the financial assistance for drip irrigation.

- ✓ The cropping intensity in the micro watershed was found to be (83.68 %) 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.48969.74 from agriculture, Rs.18421.05 from business and Rs. 28605.26 from wages and. 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, 73.68 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, 81.58 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 (84.21%), wild animal menace on farm field (81.58%), frequent incidence of pest and diseases (78.95%), high cost of fertilizers and plant protection chemicals (76.32%), high rate of interest on credit (71.05%), low price for the agricultural commodities (71.05%), lack of marketing facilities in the area (65.79%), inadequate extension services (18.42%), lack of transport for safe transport of the agricultural produce to the market (36.84%) 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.