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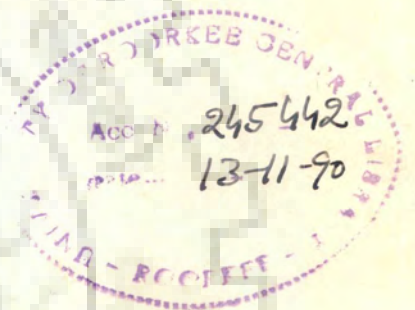
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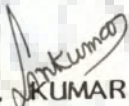
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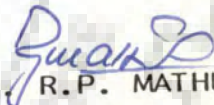
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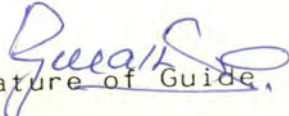
  
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## ABSTRACT

In recent years studies on the effect of geochemistry on the environmental health has become an interesting area for technologists. Any rational study on a riverine system cannot be full fledged without a fairly adequate knowledge of its mineral quality. Mineral quality, commonly known as salinity, is a basin wide problem of a river and critically important to the users of lower reaches. The in-depth study of mineral occurrence, behavior and transport is an extremely important aspect in river pollution studies because minerals are the first to enter the water-body in its virgin state and exist within it till the river joins the ocean.

River alimentation and flow regimes play an important role in the occurrence and transport of minerals in a riverine system. In general, the geology, weathering and erosion of rocks play a key role in the mineral transport in the areas where the human activities are minimum, but in the lower stretches of the river, human activities also contribute alongwith the abovesaid natural processes. Sometimes, the mineral concentrations in a riverine system are helpful in identifying the mineral sources in geochemical prospecting practices.

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The riverine system under the present investigations is Ganga river, the mighty and holy river of India, originating from the snow clad peaks of Himalayas. Ganga river travels approximately 2525 km in its long journey passing through U.P., Bihar and West Bengal. In addition to the traditional religious bearings, the waters are being used for irrigation, domestic and industrial purposes.

The present investigation involved an in-depth study of occurrence and transport of minerals in the unexplored and zero pollution region of Ganga river, comprising of 510 km stretch from Badrinath to Rajghat Narora, 'The Upper Ganga Reach'. The investigations included the visualisation of the variation in other physico chemical parameters to identify the mineralized zones, the influence of important tributaries, identification of human activities and their impact on mineral transport and to develop a suitable mineral index which reflects the mineral transport.

The physico chemical parameters, which influence the occurrence and transport of minerals like pH, ORP, conductivity and total dissolved solids alongwith the important cationic and anionic mineral constituents were chosen for the study.

To identify the zones of importance extensive surveys were

conducted from Dec. 1984 to May 1985 at the primary network sampling stations. The stations were fixed on the basis of reconnaissance surveys. The data collected has been analysed and the spatial variations explored. The observations between Rishikesh and Haridwar revealed the importance of the stretch with respect to mineral loading of Ganga river. In this 22.2 km stretch the withdrawal of Ganga water into a canal at Chilla head works leaves very little water to flow downstream and the Song river, which carries a lot of mineral matter joins Ganga at this point. In this stretch the recharge of ground water during lean flow season was also found to be significant.

Song river drains Doon Valley in its course, which is known for its richness in limestone and phosphorite mineral reserves. To assess the impact of Song river on Ganga river, the stretch of Song river was also chosen and the secondary network sampling stations were fixed.

The data of extensive sampling on Ganga and Song rivers was exposed to checks for its accuracy of the analysis. To represent the chemical composition of river systems Hill-Piper Trilinear diagram was plotted which revealed that the composition of Ganga river is dominated by alkaline earths and weak acids throughout the stretch, except at Satyanarayana. At Satyanarayana, the waters showed a mixed type of quality, which is due to the

confluence of Song. Same effect was also observed in the spatial trends of other parameters.

Besides the general profiles of physico chemical parameters, Principal Component Analysis was resorted to classify the Ganga river into mineralized and non-mineralized zones, to find out dominating parameters at different locations, and to evaluate the validity of the sampling network and frequency. The results obtained from PCA are in concordance with the observations.

The flow of Song river is chiefly derived by the effluent ground water springs. The four major tributaries Baldi, Bandal, Tawa and Bangla Rao, are the major sources to add more mineral content to the river. The chemical composition of Song river and its tributaries showed distinct spatial variations. The composition of Song water in the initial stages is constituted by alkaline earths and weak acids. After the confluence of Bandal river the composition of waters change and is governed by the presence of alkaline earths with strong acids. Later the waters exhibit a mixed type of chemical composition in which no single cation or anion pair exceeds 50 percent of the total ions. The temporal variation in mineral parameters clearly indicated the base flow and run-off conditions of the river, whereas, the spatial variations reflect the gradient of mineral

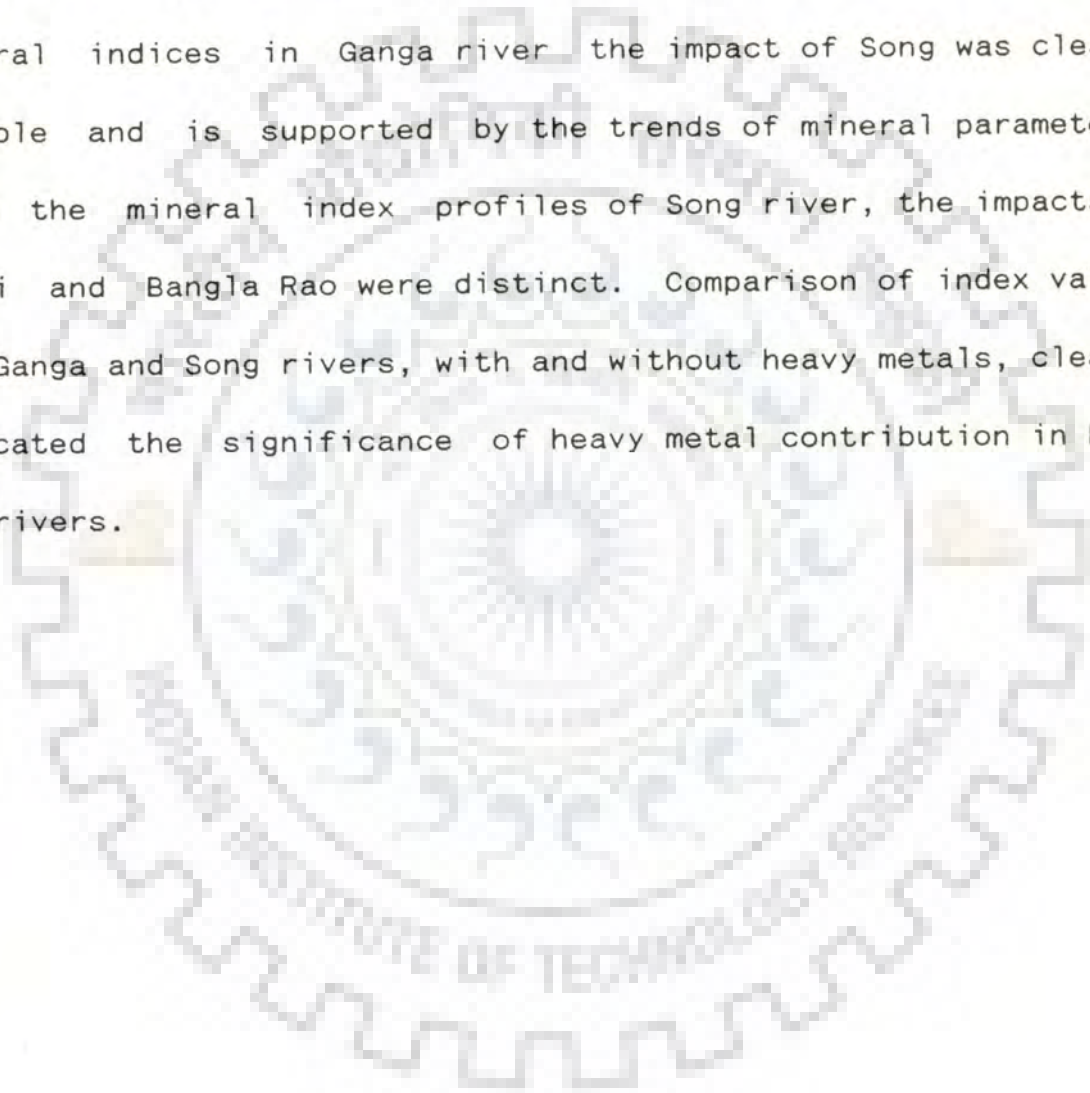


deposits in Song river stretch as it passes towards Ganga river through Doon Valley.

To represent the mineral transport and the impact of various tributaries on the mineral profile of Ganga an attempt was also made to calculate mineral indices by using physico chemical parameters. The proposed indices were aimed to provide tangible information about the mineral quality of Ganga river by avoiding huge amounts of data. The formulations of the reported general WQI and statistical approaches were considered. Out of the reported indices the formulations of Horton's and Mc Duffie's RPI were considered because of the parameter flexibility. Among the statistical approaches, Harkins index was selected.

To minimise the subjectivity in the proposed index, opinion poll was conducted for the selection of parameters, rating scale and weightages for the selected parameters. On the basis of responses received, the following parameters  $p^H$ , total dissolved solids, bicarbonates, carbonates, chlorides, sulfates, calcium, magnesium, sodium, cadmium, nickel, manganese, total anions and total cations were included in the calculation. To assess the contribution of heavy metals in the mineral index values, indices were calculated separately by including and excluding the heavy metals.

The trends of all the three indices were observed to be similar, but the extent of increase or decrease was different, because of difference in the formulations. In the trends of mineral indices in Ganga river the impact of Song was clearly visible and is supported by the trends of mineral parameters. From the mineral index profiles of Song river, the impacts of Baldi and Bangla Rao were distinct. Comparison of index values in Ganga and Song rivers, with and without heavy metals, clearly indicated the significance of heavy metal contribution in both the rivers.



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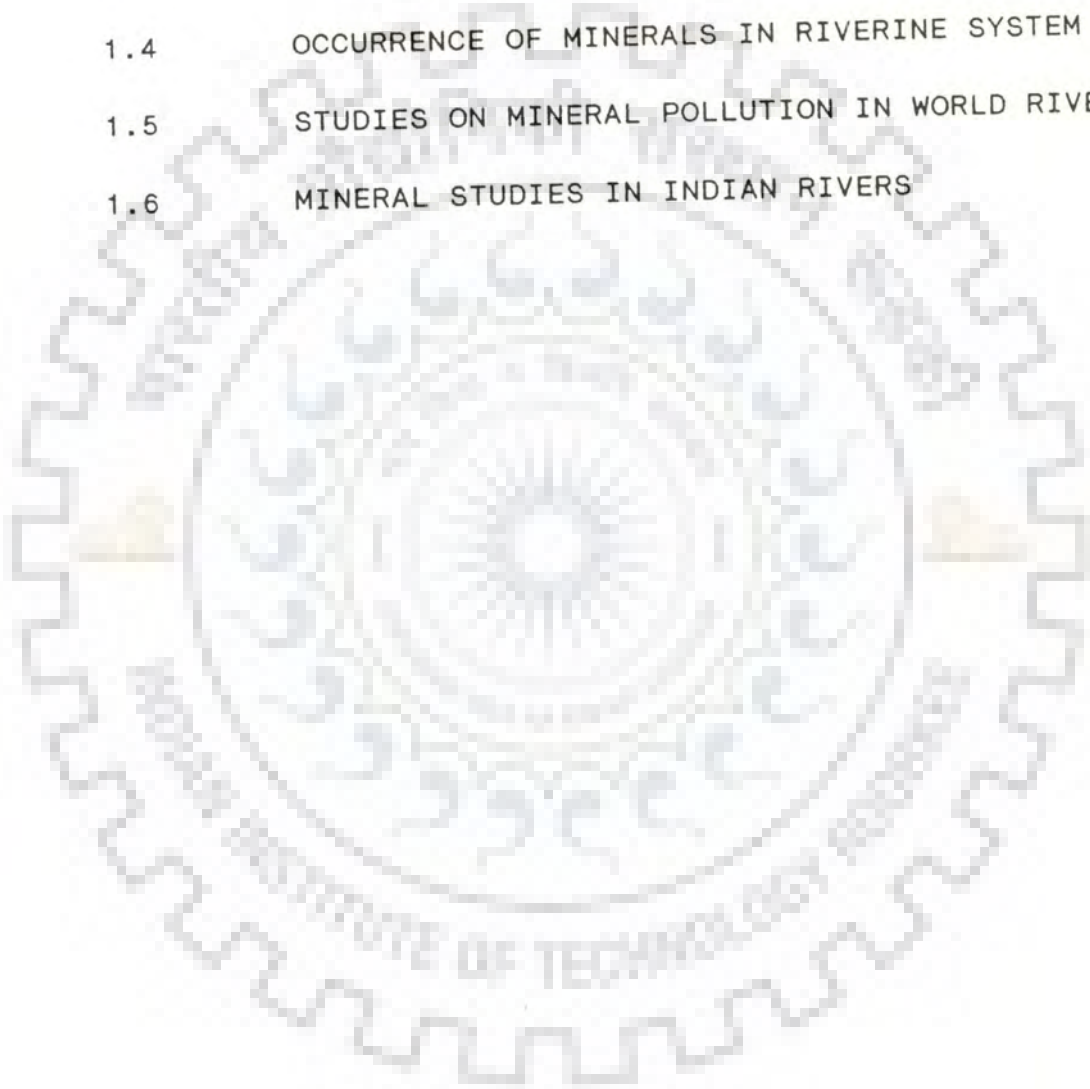
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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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## 1.1 GANGA RIVER

Ganga is not only the life blood of millions of people who inhabit the sprawling plains and beyond, it is the life force that has fashioned and nourished the unique culture and sustains it to this day. The awesome beauty of the mountain fastness as that it sculptures, the rich wide and lust plains that adorn its varigated apron, and the colourful bathing ghats that line its meandering courses along population centres, all lend enchantment to its legendary waters. Mighty, changeful and capricious, but forever at work, forever beautiful, it symbolises the beauty and mystery of life itself, inspiring sages, seers, poets and philosophers through the ages.

The river Ganga travels approximately 2525 km in its long journey from the origin in Himalayas to reach the Bay of Bengal through Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal. The Ganga discharges 459,000 million cubic meters of water as annual discharge (Rao, 1975). Ganga is 21st in world waters with regard to the annual discharge and basin area (UNESCO, 1969). The Ganga basin is the home for more than 37% of national population. Ganga basin consists of eight states viz. Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan, Bihar, and West Bengal (Dasgupta, 1984). It confines 242.1 million people and irrigates vast areas to provide food to a large population. In addition to the traditional religious bearings associated

and intensive irrigation, the waters are being used for domestic and industrial purposes.

## 1.2 MINERAL LOAD IN RIVERS

Any study on a riverine system is incomplete without adequate information of its mineral quality. Mineral quality is a complex basinwide problem and critically important to the users. The study of mineral occurrence, behavior and transport is an important aspect in river pollution studies as minerals are the first to enter the water body in its virgin stage and exist within it till the river joins the ocean. Every element which moves in lithosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, and atmosphere, has an entire spectrum of possible effects on organisms. For a particular element, trace concentrations may be beneficial or necessary for life and higher concentrations may be toxic, and still higher concentrations are lethal. Along the steps of geochemical cycle, natural processes such as weathering and volcanic activity, combined with anthropogenic activities release all types of minerals into the environment. Therefore they are concentrated or dispersed by other natural processes such as leaching, accretion, deposition, and biological accumulation. Human use of natural resources through agriculture, industrial, and mining activities release the minerals into the environment.

### 1.3 EFFECTS OF MINERAL POLLUTION

Studies on the effect of geochemistry on environmental health has assumed importance for physicians and scientists. Higher death rates have been observed near the East coast twice than those in plains and mountain areas in America due to mineral concentrations. The severity of the disease Schistosomiasis is considered to be related with climatic conditions. But the appearance of the disease in the Amazon river basin was minimum though the climatic conditions were favourable in the area. This was attributed to the insufficient amounts of calcium in some areas and the acidity of water in presence of copper and other heavy metals in other areas to support the snails, the intermediate host (Saucer, 1971). Some physicians have tried to correlate the heart disease with the mineral content in drinking waters and concluded that drinking of hard water results in low incidence of heart diseases. They have predicted that minerals like calcium, magnesium, lithium, strontium, and silicon may protect against cardiovascular mortality. Psychiatrists have observed that more the content of lithium taken, lesser will be the extent of psychic disorders (Marvin Grosswith, 1980). In a similar study the effect of calcium, magnesium, lead and cadmium in drinking water on Arterioclerosis and hypertension in pigeons have been reported (Nathaneil et al, 1982).

Minerals have some adverse effects also. Voluminous

literature is available on the toxicity and adverse effects of minerals including trace heavy metals.

Fluorine is fairly abundant in rocks and soils. Fluorine is an important trace element for the formation of calcium fluoride which increases the crystallinity of apatite (calcium phosphate) and prevents tooth decay. The optimum beneficial dose is about 1 mg/l, but on the other hand fluorine levels of above 1.5 mg/l cause mottling of enamel (Maier, 1971). Regardless, fluoride concentrations of 4 to 6 mg/l greatly reduce the prevalence of Osteoporosis, a disease characterized by the reduction of bone mass (Cargo, 1974).

Lack of iodine causes goiter. Furthermore, an iodine deficient pregnant lady may give birth to mentally disordered dwarf (Spencer, 1970).

The toxicity of heavy metals related to pollution control has been reviewed by many authors. The quality criteria for drinking water and also for irrigation water with reference to heavy metals have been decided with certainty (WHO, 1984).

Zinc is an essential trace element for plants, animals and man, and is most abundant. Zinc deficiencies may lead to plant diseases that cause crop loss and poor seed development (Pories, 1971). Zinc deficiencies in early stages of development may cause disorders in bones, joints and skin in animals and man due to decrease in the activity of DNA-polymerase. Though these

effects of zinc deficiency on man are known, but it may also be associated with some arterial diseases, and lung cancer (Gilbert, 1947). Excessive amounts of zinc may be toxic to the aquatic biota (Nriagu, 1980). Prasad(1976) has reported three types of reactions of zinc to human beings.

Manganese is the second most abundant metal after iron and its importance was enhanced by the discovery of its involvement in glucose utilization (Forstner et al, 1983). Though it is an essential element for biological activity, if it exceeds 0.15 mg/l it causes damage like stains on the material, undesirable taste in breweries and in combination with iron it may lead to deposition on the distribution system.

Iron is common in many rocks, it is an important component in clay soils. The quantity of iron present in surface water vary with the geology of the catchment area. The dissolved oxygen of water precipitates iron as  $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$  which is detrimental to bottom dwelling invertebrates, plants or incubating fish eggs. Iron at levels of about 0.3 mg/l stains plumbing fixtures and laundry and causes an undesirable taste to beverages.

Cobalt is abundant element in the earth's crust (crustal abundance is approximately 25 mg/kg). Cobalt is an essential trace metal for human body, because vitamin B12 is a cobalt(II) complex.  $\text{Co}(\text{II})$  activates the enzyme by occupying the low symmetry sites in enzymes. Besides its importance in enzymatic

activation, cobalt has recognized effects on human thyroid, heart and possibly kidney, along with the occupational lung disease observed in the cement carbide industry and allergic manifestations (Smith and Carson, 1984). Though WHO has not suggested any guiding value for drinking water, due to its known adverse effects, cobalt should be included in multielement surveys of environmental media, human diets and human tissues.

Nickel is another trace metal which is abundant in most of the rocks. Nickel salts are soluble and can occur as a leachate from nickel bearing rocks. Nickel is considered to be non-toxic to man, but studies indicate that nickel in water is toxic to plant life at concentrations as low as 500  $\mu\text{g/l}$  (Train, 1979).

Copper is an essential element required in human metabolism, and is generally considered non-toxic for man at the encountered levels in drinking water. All the rocks of the earth's crust contain copper like basic eruptive rock contain 100-200  $\text{mg/l}$ , metamorphic rocks contain 30-40  $\text{mg/l}$ , and acid eruptive rocks like granite, rhyolite contain 10-20  $\text{mg/l}$  (Aubert and Pinta, 1980). Though copper is non toxic to man, at levels above 5  $\text{mg/l}$  it imparts color and an undesirable taste to water. Copper is toxic for fish and aquatic insects at concentrations 0.01 to 1.7  $\text{mg/l}$  (Warmick and Bell, 1969).

Cadmium, a biologically non-essential, non-beneficial element, is highly toxic. Once entered, cadmium is transported

to all parts of the body through the blood-stream. Cadmium in high concentrations is observed in pancreas and spleen. The most serious effect of cadmium is the damage to kidneys, particularly the renal tubes. Extreme cases of cadmium poisoning associated with softening of bone is caused by disruption of the calcium-phosphorous balance in the renal tube. Cadmium occurs in nature in the areas of zinc and lead ores as sulfide salts. The WHO guideline value for drinking water is 0.005  $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$ .

Lead is a non-essential toxic heavy metal. It enters the human body via inhalation and through ingestion of lead contaminated food and water. Lungs retain lead more efficiently than gastrointestinal track. Once absorbed into the blood stream it is transported to all parts of the body. It is accumulated in liver, kidneys and in bones by replacing calcium. Organic lead in contrast to inorganic lead does not accumulate in bones but concentrates in lipid tissues, including those of central nervous system. The WHO guideline value for drinking water is 0.05  $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$ .

#### ✓ 1.4 OCCURRENCE OF MINERALS IN RIVERINE SYSTEM

River alimentation plays a key role in the occurrence and transport of minerals in a riverine system. A number of factors influence the river run-off, viz. 1) dimensions and configuration of drainage basins, 2) climatic conditions and types of precipitation, 3) the topography, 4) the nature of slopes and

their conditions, 5) water permeability of rocks, and 6) human activities. Mixed type of alimentation is common in piedmont and other areas. Such rivers are alimeted by both rains and glaciers by receiving greatest amount of water in summer, and in spring, atmospheric precipitation provides some additional alimentation. Some times, depending upon the watershed strength in the basin underground water also contributes the river alimentation, because it is drained by river channels.

In general, the river water derives its composition by a number of ways:

1. Weathering of minerals in the watershed, since the minerals react with carbonated rain water depending upon the original mineral present in rocks.
2. Contribution of ground waters through seepage during low flow regime or through springs in the watershed.
3. The precipitation, if any, in the river basin.
4. Human activities, particularly in downstream region through domestic and industrial effluents.

In other words, it can be stated that the geology of rocks, weathering and erosion play an important role in mineral occurrence in areas where human activities are minimum. However it is a combined function in stretches where human interference is predominant. Human activities like mining enhance mineral occurrence and transport in the riverine system. The average



concentrations of some trace metals in rocks are shown in Table 1.1 (James, 1988).

The movement of a trace metal present in a rock during weathering depends on the mineral in which it occurs and on the intensity of chemical weathering. Many trace metals do not substitute readily in feldspars or the common ferro magnesium minerals. They may be present in chemically resistant accessory minerals such as zircon, apatite, or monazite, or sulfides, which weather rapidly in oxygenated water. The resistant minerals generally remain unaltered unless weathering is very intense by gibbsite formation, thus the alterations do not cause high trace metal concentrations in rivers. Sometimes dilution prevents high trace metal concentrations though the weathering is intense. On the otherhand, many metals occur as sulfides eg. copper, molybdenum, silver, mercury and lead, and these sulfides often contain selenium, arsenic and cadmium. Since sulfides weather rapidly, such ore deposits can give rise to local high concentrations of trace metals. Thus, the concentration of trace metals in rivers and streams is used to locate the ore deposits in geochemical prospecting practices. Mining activities can result in release of trace metals by the exposure of broken impermeable rocks to water and exposure of sulfide bearing rocks to oxygen during mining activity, resulting in rapid alteration and dissolution.

Table 1.1 Average Trace Metal Concentrations Observed in Rocks  
(mg/kg)

METAL	GRANITE	BASALT	SHALES	SANDSTONE	LIMESTONE
Manganese	450	1500	850	50	1100
Iron	Major	Major	Major	Major	Major
Cobalt	4	48	19	0.3	0.1
Nickel	10	130	68	2	4
Copper	20	87	115	2	4
Zinc	50	105	95	16	20
Cadmium	0.13	0.2	0.3	-	-
Lead	17	6	20	7	9

Heavy metals dispersed in any source rock get concentrated in shales due to the formation of organo-metallic complexes during weathering and erosion of the geochemical rock cycling. Trace metals, regardless of their source, do not persist as the metals are transported through aquatic systems. They may be in speciation with organic complexes like humic substances and inorganic complexes like  $\text{-CO}_3^{--}$ ,  $\text{-COOH}^-$ ,  $\text{-OH}^-$  groups of manganese and aluminium.

In general salt-loading and salt-concentrating effects influence the mineral concentration in streams and rivers. The former is associated with the contribution from natural sources such as springs, influent ground water, run off, and discharge of additional salt into stream through municipal, industrial wastes and agricultural return flows. In contrast, the salt concentrating effect occurs as a result of consumptive use of water, like municipal and industrial, evaporation, out of basin diversions, and irrigation.

### 1.5 STUDIES ON MINERAL POLLUTION IN WORLD RIVERS

The majority of world rivers have been studied from geochemical point of view. The Colorado river basin Water Quality Control Project identified salt-loading and salt-concentrating effects and their contribution to overall mineral quality. The studies revealed that in upper Colorado basin runoff contributed 52%, irrigation 37%, point sources (like

springs, wells) 10%, and municipal and industrial about 1% of the salt load (William et al, 1973).

Gibbs (1967,1970,1972) conducted extensive studies on the Amazon river system. Stallard et al (1983) reported that in the Amazon river basin, the substrate lithology and erosion regime holds the control of surface waters within a catchment. They classified the rivers depending upon the total cation charge and geology. The rivers with total cation charge between 0 to 200  $\mu\text{e/l}$  drain the intensely weathered materials and show high levels of Fe, Al,  $\text{H}^+$  and exhibit cation ratios similar to those of substrate rocks. Rivers with total cation charge between 200 to 450  $\mu\text{e/l}$  drain siliceous terrains and their main cation load is typically enriched in Na over K and Ca over Mg when compared to the rocks in their catchment. Rivers with 450-3000  $\mu\text{e/l}$  cation charge drain marine sediments and exhibit high level of Ca, Mg, alkalinity, and  $\text{SO}_4^{--}$ , similar to the rivers draining reduced shales and minor evaporites. Rivers with total cation charge more than 3000  $\mu\text{e/l}$  drain massive evaporites and are rich in Na and Cl. The study concluded that the third and fourth rivers to have 1:1 ratio of Na:Cl and Ca-Mg:alkalinity- $\text{SO}_4$  caused primarily by the weathering of carbonates and evaporates.

The relationship between the geology of the catchment and the chemistry of river water sample of Mackenzie river, Canada was studied in detail by many workers (Hitchan et al, 1969,

Hitchan and Krouse, 1972, Peake et al, 1972). Reeder et al (1972) used factor analysis. Relatively high concentrations of certain species have been related to the catchment geologies in the following associations:

- a) Mg, Ca, Sr, HCO<sub>3</sub>, and SO<sub>4</sub> with carbonate rocks and gypsum
- b) K, B, and Na with illitic bedrock
- c) Si with bentonites and hot spring areas
- d) Na and Cl with evaporates
- e) Fe and B with glauconitic substrates.

Since the term minerals include the heavy metals also, maximum studies emphasized on heavy metal pollution, because of their toxicity and hazardous effect on environment.

Literature is replete with occurrence of heavy metal content in water and sediment of all important rivers of the world.)

The heavy metal pollution in United States was reported by Durrum and coworkers (1963, 1971). They studied eighteen elements in rivers, soil and ocean. The contamination of important American rivers by acid mine drainage, brines from oil fields and mill wastes have been studied by Kopp and Kroner (1967). The preponderance of metal elements in sediments and water column of Genesee river of Central New York state have been studied by Reddy (1977, 1978). Williams, Aulenbach and Clerceri

(1974) have discussed the source and distribution of heavy metals in aquatic environment by providing information in Hudson river, Cuyahoga river, St. Mary's river, and Delwara river. White et al (1985) analyzed heavy metal concentration in terms of relative atomic variation (RAV) and reported the distribution of heavy metals in sediments of various south Louisiana streams and waterways.

Abdullah and Royle (1972a, 1972b, 1974) have studied the heavy metal concentrations in rivers and lakes of Wales and in the coastal waters of Great Britain. They have mapped the cadmium concentration in Welsh river. Vivian and Massie (1977) have reported the impact of smelting and mining activities and other industries on river Tawe and South Wales.

The Rhine river is considered to be one of the heavily polluted rivers of the world. About 70% of the pollution load flows into the river from Federal Republic of Germany (Forstner et al, 1983). Inhoff and coworkers (1980) have reported the behaviour and fate of heavy metals in Ruhr river, a tributary of Rhine river. A compilation of the available reports on the heavy metal in Rhine river system has been presented by Forstner and Wittman (1983).

The presence of heavy metals in water column and sediment in Rhine river in Netherlands has been studied by Groot and coworkers (1977).

The main rivers and lakes in Switzerland, with respect to heavy metals have been investigated by Vernat and coworkers (1977).

The metal association with chemical forms and their availability for biological activity in sediments of Mapocho river, Chile have been studied by Garlaschi and coworkers (1985).

Considerable amount of work on heavy metal contamination has been presented by Forstner and Wittman (1983) after the episodes of Minimata and Itai Itai diseases in Japan. Sakai and coworkers (1986) have reported the distribution of heavy metals in water and sediments of Toyohira river, Japan.

The heavy metal load and concentration of copper in major U.S.S.R. rivers has been investigated by Konovalov and Nazrov (1969, 1975). Forstner and Wittman (1983) reviewed the copper contamination of Moscow river for a period of 1968-1970.

#### 1.6 MINERAL STUDIES ON INDIAN RIVERS

The studies on Indian rivers geared up in early seventies. Unlike the larger riverine system of world the Indian rivers have all climatological, geographical, geological, and human factors to influence their quality. Almost all the major Indian rivers have been studied, in a broader sense. The Chinese and Indian rivers are dominated by chemical weathering and hence show higher total dissolved solids (Meybeck, 1976). Indian rivers transport 30% of sediment transported by the world rivers (Milliman et

al,1983). It indicates that both chemical and physical weathering are equally important in Indian riverine systems.

Handa (1972) has reported the water quality of Ganga river and its relation with the geo-chemistry in the Ganga basin. A stretch between Haridwar to Calcutta was chosen for this study. Sarin and Krishnaswamy (1984) compared the chemical composition of Ganga and Brahmaputra river waters.

A recent review by Subramanian (1987a) on the geochemistry of nine major rivers of India, states that Indian rivers do not follow any well defined variations in the major dissolved constituents such as calcium, magnesium, bicarbonate, sulfates, sodium, and phosphates. The water chemistry of Ganga, Brahmaputra, Indus, Godavari, Krishna, Mahanadi, Cauveri, Narmada, Tapti, and some minor rivers was compared in this study. The variation of total dissolved solids in lean flow seasons indicates ground water interaction whereas dilution reduces solids in high flow seasons.

Rate of erosion and the extent of sediment transport was also reported by Abbas and Subramanian (1984). Bikshamiah et al (1980) have reported the mass transfer of chemicals and sediment in Godavari river basin.

The rate of erosion in Ganga was the subject of study by Gibbs (1980), Subramanian (1979a). The occurrence of minerals and their interrelation in Yamuna has also been reported by



Subramanian (1979b) and by Sarin et al (1984) in river sediments.

Subramanian et al (1987b) have reported heavy metal distribution in the Ganga and the Brahmaputra riverine systems. In their studies on Ganga, sampling was done downstream of Haridwar.

A comprehensive study on Ganga pollution in adjoining region of Patna was presented by Sinha (1986), which included physical and chemical parameters and heavy metals like copper, zinc, nickel, and cobalt.

The effect of municipal waste on Ganga river at Patna was studied by Sharma et al (1987) and they ascribed the regenerating capacity of Ganga to be due to the high concentration of short-lived radium.

In a recent report, Subramanian et al (1987c) mentioned the lithology, physiography and the water chemistry of river Ganga from Rishikesh to Calcutta. In their study they compared the average chemical composition of Indian, Chinese and world rivers.

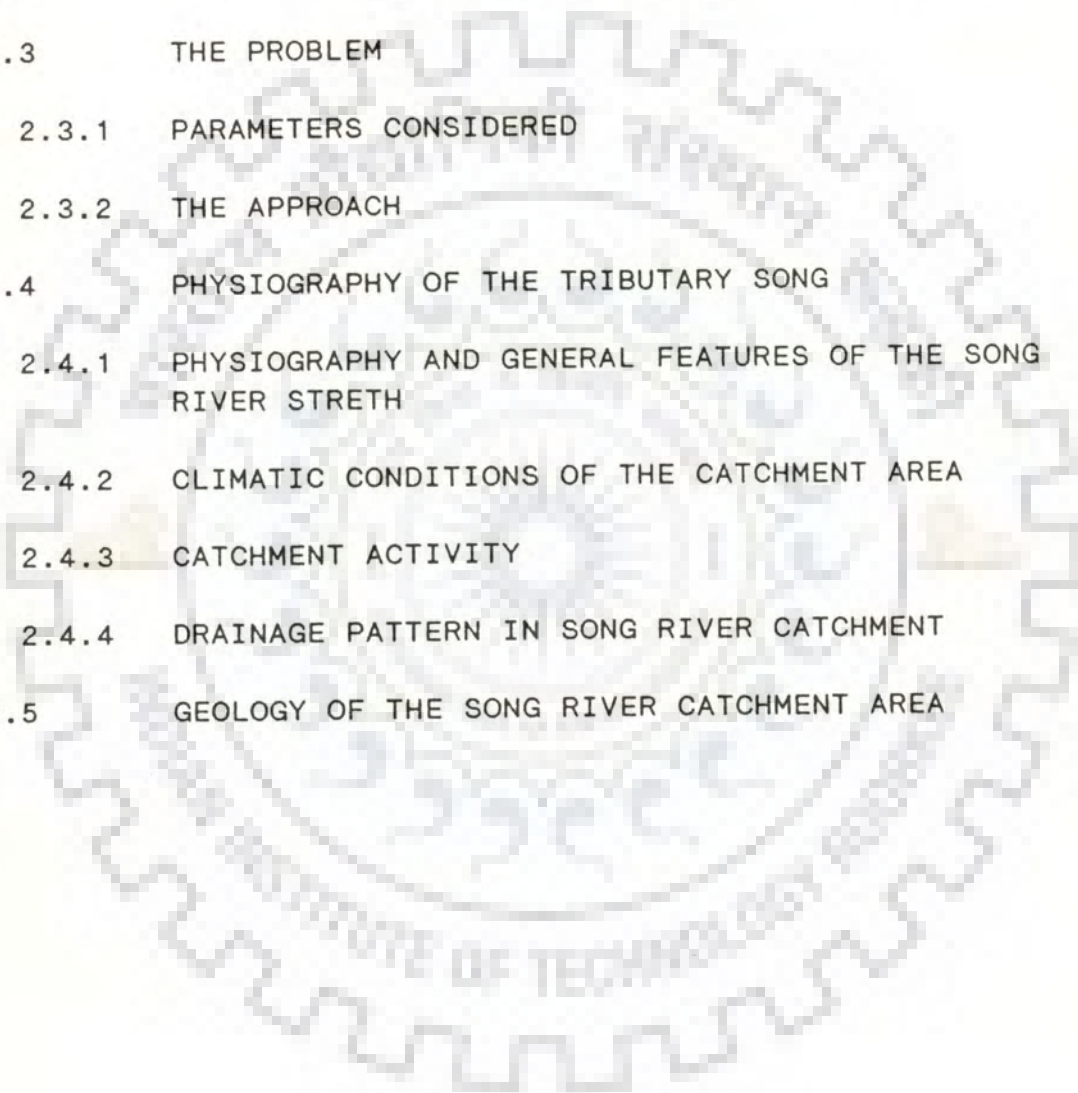
Central Board for Prevention of Water Pollution monitored the Ganga river with the network of 41 sampling stations from Haridwar to Diamond harbour, Calcutta.

The occurrence and transport of some selected heavy metals in Ganga from Badrinath to Narora was studied by Saikia (1987), as a part of Department of Environment, New Delhi sponsored research project "Pollution Modelling of Upper Ganga Basin".

An integrated research project covering the entire Ganga river from source to bay was sponsored by the Department of Environment, Govt. of India. For efficient implementation of the project the entire Ganga basin was divided into three clusters (1) the upper Ganga stretch from source to Narora (2) the middle Ganga stretch from Narora to Ballia (3) the lower Ganga stretch from Ballia to Hoogly. Fourteen universities were endorsed the task viz. Garhwal University, Gurukul Kangri Viswavidyalaya, University of Roorkee (upper reach), Aligarh Muslim University, Feroze Gandhi College - Raibareilly, Banaras Hindu University (middle reach), Patna University, Bhagalpur University, Rajendra Agricultural University - PUSA, Bardwan University, Kalyani University, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Jadavpur University and Calcutta University (lower reach).

In the upper Ganga basin (Cluster-A), the integrated research project "Pollution Modelling of upper Ganga basin" was undertaken by the University of Roorkee to project a clear picture of the state and extent of pollution of river ecosystem. The stretch of the river from Badrinath to Narora was allotted to this project team. Mineral load and transport in Upper Ganga Basin has been incorporated as a sub-theme of the project and constitutes the theme of this work.

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## 2.0 THE SYSTEM UNDER STUDY

The system under study is a 510 km stretch of river Ganga from Badrinath to Narora (Fig.2.1). The first 240 km stretch, from Badrinath to Rishikesh (upper stretch) is mountainous having an average bed slope of 1 in 67. The latter 270 km from Rishikesh to Rajghat Narora (lower stretch) is plains having an average bed slope of 1 in 4100.

The altitude and relief of the origin governs the climatic conditions of the mountainous region. The valleys experience tropical climate in the summer months. Wild winds in narrow valleys, and heavy fog during winter in wide valleys are conspicuous features of the weather of the region. The precipitation at different locations depends on the altitude and location relative to the ridges. The monsoon generally commences towards the end of June and extends upto the middle of September. Winter depressions cause snowfall (in the higher altitudes) from January to March. April and May are marked with thunder and occasional hailstorm. Occasional rain occurs at high elevations before setting of monsoon. The zone of maximum precipitation, both summer and winter, lies between 1200 m and 2100 m. The zone above 2400 m experiences lesser summer rainfall. Winter depressions at high altitudes cause three to five meters of snowfall from November to May.



In the lower stretch the air temperature starts rising from March onwards, the hot season covers the period from April to June. The air temperatures drop with the onset of monsoon, June onwards rendering the weather humid. The monsoon sets up by the end of July over the entire region and heavy downpour continues upto September. The winter extends from December to February (Singh, 1987).

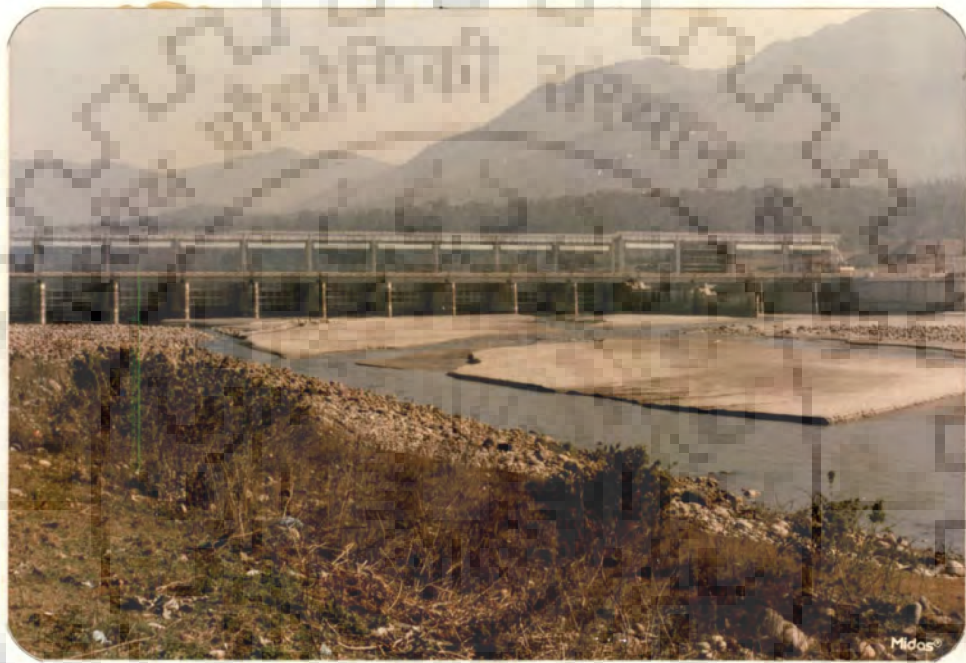
The lean flow regime of the river extends from October to March in which the underground water contributes to the river flow. With the starting of summer from April till setting of monsoon the melting of glacier ice from the higher altitudes contributes to the major run-off of the river. In the high flow regime the river flows upto the brim and water with eroded sediment load.

## 2.1 PHYSIOGRAPHY OF GANGA RIVER

The Ganga proper is formed by two tributaries, Bhagirathi and Alaknanda. Though the Bhagirathi is accepted traditionally as Gangaji, the Alaknanda is the larger river.

The Alaknanda originates from the Saptonath-Kharak group of glaciers and descends at Mana for its downward journey in south-east direction. The river receives the waters of Dhauli at Vishnuprayag at an elevation of 1,517 MSL. The combined river flows south-west to Chamoli district receiving small streams the Rudra, the Garur, the Patal ganga and the Birahi. Thence, in the southerly direction to Nandaprayag, where Nandakini joins from

east at an elevation of 897 MSL. Again it turns south-west to Karnaprayag by crossing a mighty gorge across the Central Himalayan range between the peaks of Nandadevi (7,816 m) and Badrinath (7,068 m). At Karnaprayag, the Pindar river, which gathers its waters from Nandadevi and east Trisul (6,803 m) joins the Alaknanda on the left bank (30-15-45 and 79-15-29) at an elevation of 832 MSL. Thence at Rudraprayag it receives Mandakini from north on the right bank (30-17-10 and 79-1-32) at an elevation of 633 MSL. Turning south-west again it flows by Srinagar to Devprayag to join the Bhagirathi, which emerges from Gaumukh glacier, in Tehri district (30-8-45) at an elevation of 625 MSL. The river is now called Ganga river. It passes through north of Mussoorie hills and finally breaks through the Shivalik range near Rishikesh, to enter the plains. 8 km downstream of Rishikesh an off-take channel diverts significant amount of water into a power channel, Chilla head works, leaving practically no water and reducing it to a shimmering thread (Plate-1). Subsequently, however, it gets replenished by many tributaries like the Song at Satyanarayana, the Suswa and the tail waters of Chilla power channel. Again at Bhimgauda head works an irrigation canal, the Upper Ganga Canal, takes the maximum amount of water and leaves very little of water to flow in the river bed. Excess water of Upper Ganga Canal finally meets the river and ground water and some small streams keep the



LEAN FLOW CONDITIONS OF GANGA RIVER  
DOWNSTREAM CHILLA BARRAGE

PLATE-1



Ganga flow live towards the lower stretch.

The next major headworks is located at Bijnor, about 73 km downstream of Haridwar where the river is intercepted and an appreciable part of flow is diverted to the Madhya Ganga Canal. Further downstream waters from Ramganga feeder meet Ganga river through Baya river at Tigri, about 90 km from Bijnor and provide some relief. The river is once again intercepted at Narora about 82 km from Garhmukteshwar, where the headworks facilitate diversion to Lower Ganga Canal.

The most critical zone in the Upper Ganga stretch is the stretch between Rishikesh and Haridwar. In this 22.2 km stretch the withdrawal of the Ganga river water into a canal influences the salt-loading and salt-concentrating effects. The first diversion at Chilla headwork leaves very little water to flow downstream. Just 5 km downstream of this diversion, the Song river, which carries a lot of mineral matter joins Ganga at Satyanarayana. In between Chilla head-works and Satyanarayana in the lean flow seasons the river run-off is contributed by ground water seepage. About 0.5 km upstream of Song confluence, the treated effluent of IDPL, Virbhadra finds its way to Ganga river along with Rishikesh sewerage.

#### 2.1.1. PHYSIOGRAPHY OF THE MAIN TRIBUTARIES:

**Nandakini:** Nandakini rises in the glaciers on the western slopes of Trishul in Nandak and paraganah Bodhar of Garhwal district,

has its principal sources (30-16-10 and 79-46-15) from the foot hills of Nandadevi temple. Nandakini receives numerous torrents on either side and eventually joins on the left bank of Alaknanda at Nandaprayag.

**Pindar:** Pindar, a river of Kumaon region, rises from a glacier (30-15-30 and 86-2) in a hallow bounded by snowy peaks (above 6400 m) at an elevation of 3868 MSL and has a course generally south, passing by Kuphini. During its course it receives Sundarbhunga, Konwari, Kaliganga, Goptaragadh and Tousar in addition to numerous small torrents. It joins Alaknanda at Karnaprayag.

**Mandakini:** Mandakini, a river of Garhwal region, rises near Tehri at south east base of the Kedarnath peak (30-47 and 79-81). It holds a course generally southward (30-38), receiving Sini river, Kali river, Bira river, Sagar, Pabi, Gabini, Byun, Darma and the Lostar torrents. After a course of 72 km from its source it joins the Alaknanda river at Rudraprayag.

**Bhagirathi:** The Bhagirathi, rises from Gangotri glacier at Gaumukh (30-56:79-41) at an elevation of 3,900 MSL, north of Kedarnath. The Bhagirathi joins Jahnavi, some distance to the north of main Himalayan range and about 11 km below Gangotri temple. The combined river then cuts through the main Himalayan range between Bandarpunch (6,315 m) and Srikanta (6,133 m) through a magnificent gorge in which the river bed is 3,960 m

below the peaks on either side. During its course between Dharasu and Devprayag it receives Bhilangna river on its left bank.

**Nyar:** The Nyar or the Saini, the last tributary to join the Alaknanda in hilly terrain, is formed by the confluence of its eastern and western branches at Bhatkulu in patti Manyarsun. The eastern branch rises on the north west slopes of Dudu-ke-toli range (30-7-30 and 79-10), at an elevation of 2130 m- 2750 m above sea level. It flows southwesterly, then south, then due west to its confluence with the western Nyar. The united stream flows north and west and falls into the Alaknanda at Byas ghati (30-3-40 and 78-38-30), at an elevation of 410 MSL.

The Ganga in the plains receives waters from Song and Suswa tributaries from Doon Valley at Satyanarayana (78-14-50 and 30-2).

## 2.2 GEOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF THE ALAKNANDA VALLEY

The river in the upper stretch flows over complex geological formations and in the lower stretch on alluvial soils of Indo- Gangetic plain.

Saxena et al (1979) described the drainage pattern in the upper stretch of the river basin. The folded, faulted and fractured terrain of the river is wholly occupied by perennial and intermittent surface and underground torrents, streams and springs. The Alaknanda valley is rich in hidden treasure of

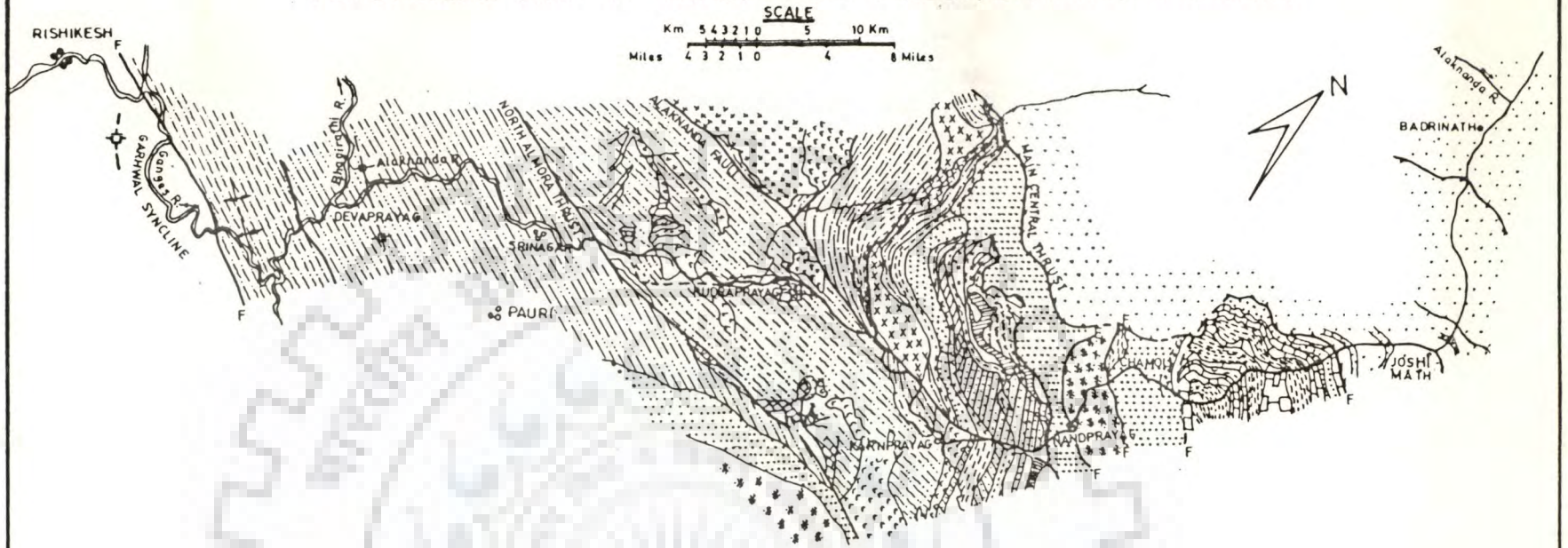
waters of underground seepage.

The geology of the mountainous course of the river has been studied by many workers (Kumar et al, 1974,1975, Srivastava et al 1979). The lithological assemblages have been discussed by Robindra and Negi (1979), Kumar (1974). Doval et al (1980) have studied the geology of Alaknanda valley around Srinagar and concluded that the area consists of metapelites, metapsammites and carbonate rocks associated with metabasics. Saklani (1972) has described the litho-stratigraphy of the area between Bhagirathi and Bhilangna rivers. In the lower part of Mandakini stretch and at the Alaknanda confluence the rocks are identified as granite and quartzite (Negi et al, 1980).

The stratigraphic formations of Mandakini valley have been studied by Rao et al (1980). They found the stratigraphic formations at Guptakashi as amphibolite, thin bands of marble, and few intercalations of schist, schistose quartzite. Felspatic quartz schist and quartz mica schist, chlorite schist with thin bands of dolomite and marble are identified at Agasthamuni. At Rudraprayag, ortho quartzite-volcanic associations are observed.

The Alaknanda on its journey from origin to Rishikesh in the Himalayas crosses three major thrusts. They are Main Central Thrust, the Alaknanda Fault and the North Almora Thrust (Fig.2.2).

# GEOLOGICAL MAP OF ALAKNANDA VALLEY, GARHWAL HIMALAYA



## LEGEND

	GRANITE-GNEISS, SCHISTS, CALC-SCHISTS		QUARTZITE WITH MINOR INTER-BEDS OF GREY/PURPLE-GRAY SLATES, CHLORITE SCHIST, BASIC INTRUSIVE
	QUARTZITE		GREENISH GREY MASSIVE TO SCHISTOSE METAVOLCANIC WITH CHLORITE SCHIST & SCHISTOSE QUARTZITE INTERBEDS
	GRANITE, GNEISS, SCHISTS WITH QUARTZITE MARBLE, CALC-SILICATE		COARSE SCHISTOSE GRITTY TO CONGLOMERATIC QUARTZITE WITH BASIC INTRUSIVE
	GNEISS, SCHISTS, GRANITE, WITH BONDS / BEDS OF QUARTZITE AND BASIC ROCK		FINE TO MEDIUM GRAINED WHITE TO CREAM COLOURED BANDED QUARTZITE WITH BASIC INTRUSIVE
	INTRUSIVE GRANITE		C DOLOMITE
	WHITE, BANDED, FINE TO MEDIUM GRAINED QUARTZITE WITH BASIC EFFUSIVES & INTRUSIVES		B GREY TO DARK GRAY SLATES
	INTRUSIVE GRANITE		A DOLOMITE, STROMATOLITIC
	DOLOMITE, MAGNESITE, TALC SCHIST, QUARTZ-SERICITE SCHIST, CALC-SILICATE, PHYLLITE BASIC ROCK		RED, PURPLE, PINK QUARTZITE WITH SUBORDINATE SLATES AND BASIC EFFUSIVES / INTRUSIVES
	METAVOLCANIC WITH MINOR CALCAREOUS BANDS WITH QUARTZITE, PHYLLITE AND BASIC INTRUSIVE		SHEENY GREENISH GREY PHYLLITE WITH INTER-BEDS OF PURPLE PINK QUARTZITE TOWARDS BASE
	INTRUSIVE GRANITE		COARSE TO GRITTY OFTEN ZEBRA BANDED QUARTZITE
	DOLOMITE		
	INTERBEDDED SLATE, PHYLLITE, DOLOMITE, MAGNESITE, CALC SCHIST AND BASIC INTRUSIVE		
	GREY TO PURPLE-GRAY SLATES WITH MINOR QUARTZITE & BASIC INTRUSIVE CALC-ARINITE		

FIG 2-2

AFTER A. AHMAD  
(1979)

The rock types at the origin of the Alaknanda river upto Joshimath are mainly quartzite of central crystalline formation of Precambrian age. Between Pandukeshwar and Joshimath the river encounters a band of intrusive granite of Chamoli crystalline formation of late Precambrian age. Then again downstream to Joshimath it passes through white, bonded, fine to medium grained quartzite with basic efflusives and intrusives of late precambrian age and crosses the main central thrust. Upto and at Pipalkoti the rocks are chiefly quartzite, dolomite, calc-arinic of late Precambrian age. After passing quartzite formation at Chamoli, the river has gneisses, schists, granite with bands or beds of quartzite of Maithana crystalline of precambrian age on its way to Nandaprayag. Then it passes over the rocks dolomite, magnesite, talc schist, calci-silicate, quartz, phyllite basic rocks, granite, dolomite, metavolcanic with minor calcareous bands with quartzite, phyllite and basic intrusive, chlorite schist of Pokhri formation of Precambrian age upto Karnprayag. Between Karnprayag and Rudraprayag the important rocks on the way are conglomeric quartzite with basic intrusive, red, purple, pink quartzite with subordinate slates and basic efflusive or intrusives of Rudraprayag formation of Cambrian to Devonian age. In this stretch the river flows along the Alaknanda Fault in western direction at and near Chamoli crosses it. Then the river crosses the North Almora Thrust and encounters quartzite with

minor inter beds of grey or purple-grey slates, chlorite schist, basic intrusives of same age at and around Srinagar and Devprayag. On the way to Rishikesh from Devprayag it encounters mainly conglomerates and clays and doon gravel in Upper Shiwaliks. After Rishikesh, Ganga River enters into the Indo-Gangetic alluvial plains (Srivastava and Ahmad, 1979). Details of various types of rocks occurring in the Alaknanda valley are presented in Table 2.1.

### 2.3 THE PROBLEM

The problem involves an indepth study of occurrence and transport of minerals in the unexplored and zero pollution region of the river Ganga. The investigations include the following aspects:

- (1) Visualisation of the variation in the physical characteristics like pH, ORP, conductivity and total dissolved solids; which influence the mineral presence in the riverine system.
- (2) Identification of mineralised zones in the Ganga stretch.
- (3) Influence of important tributaries on the behavior of minerals in Ganga river.
- (4) Identification of probable human activities and extent of their impact on mineral transport in the river.
- (5) Developing suitable water quality indices which reflect the mineral transport in the river.

TABLE 2.1 DESCRIPTION OF ROCKS OCCURRING IN THE ALAKNANDA VALLEY

Rock Type	Mineral Composition	Mode of Occurrence
Quartz	Quartz ( $\text{SiO}_2$ )	Metamorphic rocks (formed by the recrystallization of sand stones)
Granite	Quartz ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) and K-felspar ( $\text{KA1SiO}_3$ )	Igneous rock, plutonic and acidic rocks
Dolomite	Dolomite ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ and $\text{MgCO}_3$ )	Sedimentary rock with varying chemical composition
Talc-Schist	Schist of Talc [[ $\text{Mg}_3(\text{SiO}_{10})(\text{OH})_2$ ]	Metamorphic
Phyllite	albite ( $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$ ) Biotite $\text{Mg,Fe}_3(\text{AlSi}_3)\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH,F})_2$ Muscovite [[ $\text{KA1}_2(\text{AlSi}_3)\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH,F})_2$ ]	Low grade Metamorphic rocks
Canglomerates	Quartz, pebbles	Sedimentary rocks and rudaceous
Basic Intrusives	Plagio clase felspar, hornblende [(Ca,Na,Mg,Fe,Al) $_{7-8}$ (AlSi) $_8$ O $_{22}$ (OH) $_2$ ], hypersthene [(Mg,Fe) SiO $_3$ ] Diopside [Ca Mg Si $_2$ O $_6$ ]	Igenous, plutonic and basic rocks
Amphibolites	Hornblende, albite, hypersthene, diopside	High grade Metamorphic
Marble	Calcite	Metamorphic lime-stones
Schistose quartzite	Quartzite in schistose structure	Metamorphic
Felspartic quartz schist	Schist of quartz and felspar	Metamorphic
Quartz mica schist	Schist of muscovite and quartz	Metamorphic
Chlorite schist	Schist of chlorite [[ $(\text{Mg,Fe})_3 \text{Al} (\text{Al, Si}_3\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_9$ ] epidote [ $\text{Ca}_2(\text{Al,Fe})_3$ (SiO $_4$ )] garnet [(Ca,Mg,Fe,Mn) $_3$ (Fe,Al,Cr) $_2$ (SiO $_4$ ) $_3$ ]	Metamorphic



These investigations have been taken up with a view

- to bring to light the actual concentrations of minerals transported to Ganga River through various tributaries in the mountainous stretch and to identify the mineralised zones in the stretch
- to obtain adequate information about the impact of human activities on mineral transport in the region, which is supposed to be rich in mineral reserves
- to develop a single water quality index which can show the mineral behaviour in the stretch


#### 2.3.1 PARAMETERS CONSIDERED:

The physico-chemical parameters, which influence the occurrence and transport of minerals in the Ganga riverine system like pH, oxidation reduction potential, conductivity and total dissolved solids along with the anionic constituents like carbonates, bicarbonates, chlorides, sulfates, nitrates, nitrites, phosphates, and their cationic counter-parts like calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium and trace metals like iron, manganese, lead, zinc, cadmium, nickel, cobalt, copper have been chosen for this study.

#### 2.3.2 THE APPROACH:

To identify the zones of importance with respect to the concentration of the abovesaid minerals in the stretch between Badrinath to Narora, extensive surveys were conducted from Dec.

'84 to 'May 85. The surveys were conducted at sampling stations of primary network fixed for the D.O.En. sponsored project 'Pollution Modeling of Upper Ganga Basin.' The primary sampling network consisted of the following stations:



Badrinath  
Nandprayag  
Rudraprayag  
Srinagar  
Devprayag  
Rishikesh  
Satyanarayana  
Balawali  
Bijnor  
Garhmukteshwar  
Anupshahr  
Rajghat (Narora)

Sampling was done on a monthly frequency. The data was analysed thoroughly and the spatial variation in total cations and total anions have been explored. The profile (Fig.2.3) shows a sudden increase at Satyanarayana and a sizeable increase at Balawali and Bijnor. The probable reasons for the increase have been visualised. In contrast to other tributaries of Ganga river, which originate from Himalayas, the Song passes through Doon valley, which is famous for its richness in limestone and

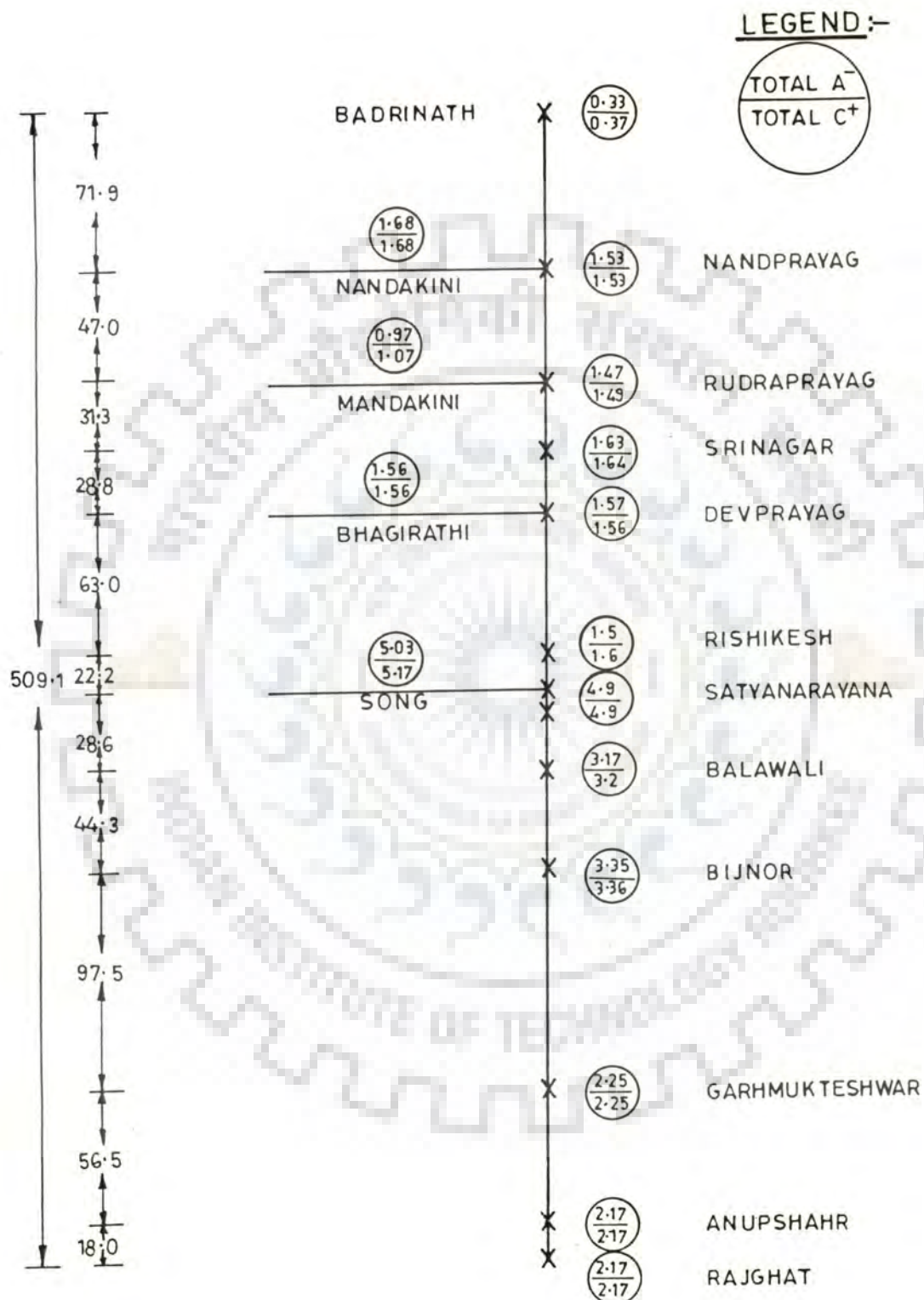


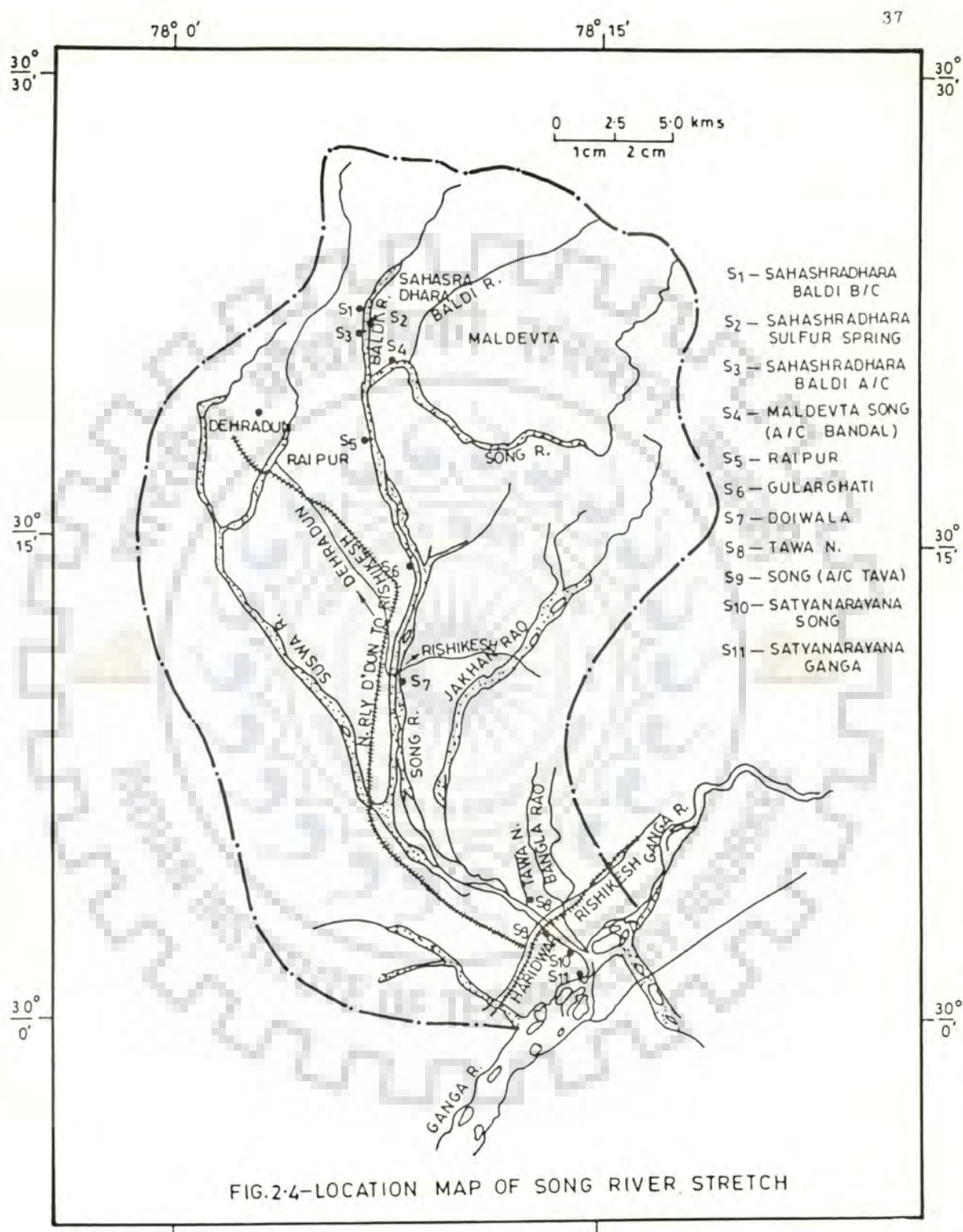
FIG. 2.3—VARIATION IN TOTAL ANIONS AND TOTAL CATIONS (me/l)

phosphorite mineral deposits. To assess the impact of Song on Ganga river, the stretch of the former has also been chosen for study in regard to the mineral parameters.

#### 2.4 PHYSIOGRAPHY OF THE TRIBUTARY SONG

Song river gathers its water from the springs and comes into a shape of stream at Unialgaon in Tehri district (78-23-5 and 30-17-40). The course of the river is along the southwestern border of Dehradun district. From Unialgaon it flows southwards for some distance and turns west and northwest to the confluence with Bandal, an important tributary of Song, at Maldevta (78-8 and 30-20-12). It then moves in southwest direction and receives waters from another tributary Baldi on its downward journey (78-22 and 30-20-40) to Doiwala. After Doiwala, Song flows south to the confluence of Suswa and Jakhan Rao and in southeastern direction towards Raiwala. Just under the road bridge on Haridwar-Rishikesh road another tributary Tawa joins Song. Thence the flow is southwards towards Satyanarayana. Finally at Satyanarayana, another stream Bangla Rao adds up to the Song river contribution towards Ganga. (Fig.2.4).

The physiography of the main tributaries is as follows: The first to join Song is Bandal, which arises in Tehri district. From its origin it flows along the border between Dehradun and Tehri in southwest direction to Maldevta. It carries the



discharge of Maldevta Phosphorite and Pyrite mines.

#### 2.4.1 PHYSIOGRAPHY AND GENERAL FEATURES OF THE SONG RIVER

##### STRETCH:

The Song river and its tributaries are intermittent in their initial stages, where the ground water table is well below the river bed. In the later stages of their flow, they become perennial due to the addition of ground water effluent springs.

Since Doon valley is very significant for faulting, the courses of the rivers flowing through it is unique. Faults are considered as conduit for fluids when it has permeability and potential gradient in the fault plane. Fault plane develops void-channels or channels by separation of walls, applying a little amount of resistance to flow. Fault planes thus give birth to many springs where the intersection of ground surface with watertable is high. Reaches of the river is also intermittent in some areas, where it passes over the outcrop of a porous and permeable formation in which the water-table may, from time to time, lie well below the bed of the river. In such areas the river shows the dying out phenomenon. Thick limestones commonly enhance this process. In the Song river course the geological part and man made activities change the flow from time to time.

Song river in the initial stages is perennial. It is fed by ground water in lean flow months and in monsoon months rain

water increases its flow. As soon as it enters Doon valley, the siphons constructed in its course, divert maximum water for irrigation. Similar diversions take place in Baldi and Bandal rivers also all leaving small amount of water to flow in Song river. In the lean flow season, between Maldevta and Raipur, river becomes intermittent and flow is from recharged waters between Gularghati and Doiwala. From Doiwala onwards the stream Suswa nourishes Song river flow. At Raiwala, the recharged water in the form of Tawa and Bangla Rao joins Song towards its confluence with Ganga.

#### 2.4.2 CLIMATIC CONDITIONS OF THE CATCHMENT AREA:

The climate of the area is subtropical monsoonal. This type of climate implies hot summers and severe winters. The climate shows appreciable spatial variation. The mean summer and winter temperatures are normally 29.1 and 12.1 degrees celsius respectively. The hottest month is June and the coldest is December. The mean annual rain fall is 1585 mm received mostly in the period from July to September. However some winter showers are also common.

#### 2.4.3. CATCHMENT ACTIVITY:

In the upper reach Song river flows through the mixed forest and enters the Doon valley. In the Doon valley, in the initial stages it flows through the area where the limestone mining and phosphate mining is predominant. Downstream Doiwala

it has irrigation as the main catchment activity.

#### 2.4.4. DRAINAGE PATTERN IN SONG RIVER CATCHMENT:

The drainage pattern of the Song and its tributaries in the upper reaches is subparallel, while in the lower reaches it tends to become parallel and dendritic. Drainage system is made of braided channels which are not deeply incised. Zones of seepage into river course is common in this area. Thus, the sources of the rivers are mainly the recharged waters and in monsoon the rain water reinforces the flow.

#### 2.5 GEOLOGY OF THE SONG RIVER CATCHMENT AREA

Fig 2.5 shows the catchment area and drainage pattern of Song river. The main geological formations through which the Song river as well as its tributaries pass are the upper Shiwaliks, middle Shiwaliks, the pretertiary rocks and the Doon gravels. The pretertiary rocks are mainly Tal and Krol formations. At Maldevta, the zone between Tal and Krol is rich in Phosphates and Pyrites. At Sahashradhara area the main formations are Krol A and Krol B. When compared to pretertiary rocks, the mineral contribution from upper and middle Shiwaliks is minimum. They chiefly consist of sandstone, shale, and claystone.

The mining activity of limestone and phosphorites is significant in the Song river catchment area in contrast to Ganga river catchment area. The important tributaries also flow



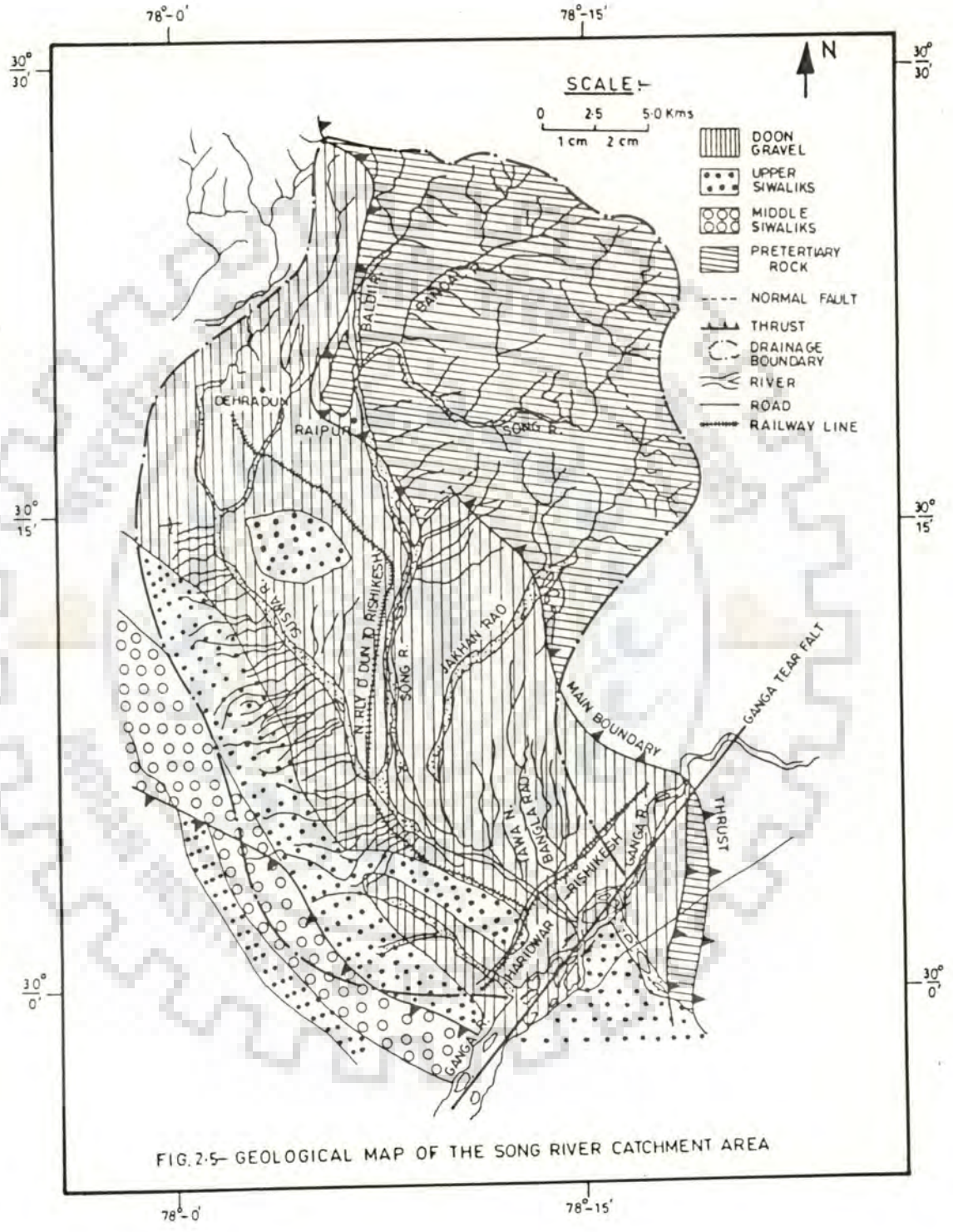


FIG. 2.5- GEOLOGICAL MAP OF THE SONG RIVER CATCHMENT AREA

through these areas. Baldi river flows through the Krol formation consisting of very high grade limestone. In its initial stages, Baldi river has the lower Krol limestone. Then it flows through the upper Krol limestone followed by high grade limestone near Sahashradhara area. Down stream of Sahashradhara the area consists of the Doon gravels. At Sahashradhara, the sulfur spring falls into Baldi river and increases the sulfate concentrations.

Bandal river flows through quartzite of Tal formation in its initial stages, then near Maldevta enters the phosphorite rich lower Tal shales and slates. Phosphorite deposits in Maldevta area are primarily associated with chert, black shales and minor dolomite, belonging to Tal formation of Cambrian age, and more or less conformably overlie a sulfurous craggy dolomite unit of upper Krol formation. These phosphorites are rich in iron-sulphide and inundates the river rich in sulfate ions. Downstream of Maldevta, Bandal flows through upper Krol limestone followed by infra Krol slates. Then it has a band of boulder bed and limestone and slates of upper blaini before its confluence to Song. Then the combined stream flows through Doon gravels of Nagthat quartzite and lower blaini boulder bed. The shales present at the Tal-Krol combination zones are also rich in iron-sulfide and increases the sulfate concentration in the river.

The most critical zone in the Song river is the stretch between Maldevta and Doiwala (Fig 2.4). In this stretch, the salt-loading and salt-concentrating effects influence the transport of minerals caused by extensive mineral reserves, leaching and weathering processes and man-made diversions of waters. The siphons divert significant amounts of water into the channels leaving very small amount for irrigation and drinking purposes. Due to this the Song river remains dry between Maldevta and Gularghati from December to June which may extend from October-June. Thus, the flow regime of Song river can be divided as:

- (1) The Flow Regime-I, the period during which the Song river flows from Maldevta to Satyanarayana.
- (2) The Flow Regime-II, the period in which Song river remains dry in the upper reaches, upstream Doiwala.

The area around Maldevta and Sahashradhara alongwith its structural features has geological importance being rich in mineral reserves which enriches both surface and ground waters with minerals.

### 3.0 MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### 3.1 SAMPLING STATIONS

##### 3.1.1 PRIMARY SAMPLING NETWORK

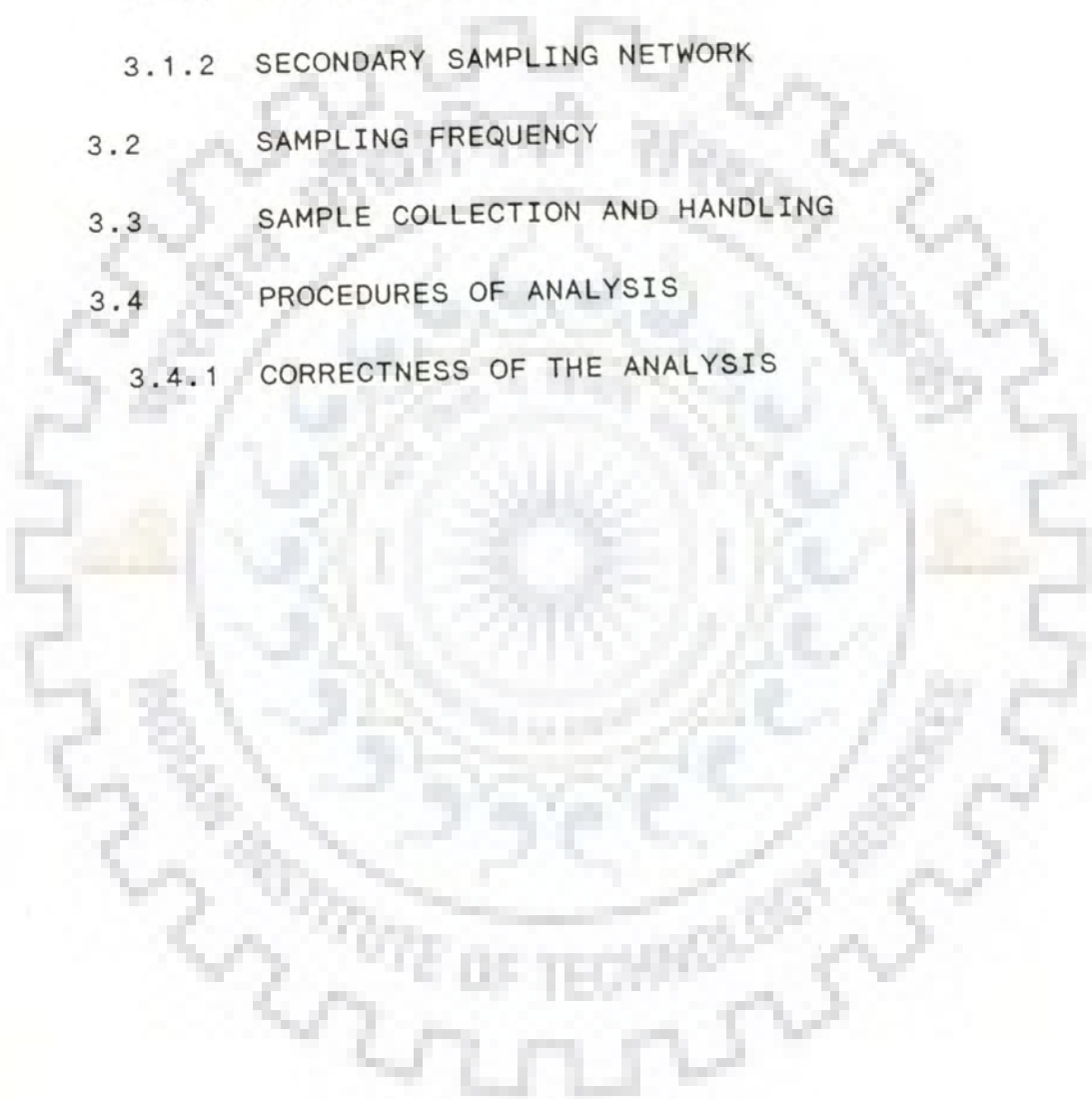
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##### 3.4.1 CORRECTNESS OF THE ANALYSIS



### 3.0 MATERIALS AND METHODS

The study presented herein deals with the upper stretch of Ganga with Alaknanda as the main tributary.

#### 3.1 SAMPLING STATIONS

The primary and secondary sampling stations were fixed after an extensive reconnaissance on the basis:

- that the station represent, the state of the aquatic system including inputs, withdrawals and related features.
- that it should be accessible in all seasons.
- that it should have uniformity of concentration of pollutants across the river section implying well-mixed conditions.

##### 3.1.1 PRIMARY SAMPLING NETWORK:

The primary network was represented by the following stations (Fig.3.1 & 3.2). The relevant details are presented in Table 3.1.

1. Badrinath: It is the first sampling station situated 8 km down of Mana at an elevation of 3123 MSL adjacent to the source of the river Alaknanda. In winter it remains covered with snow. Only from May to 1st part of November it is accessible and attracts a large number of pilgrims. There are hot springs known as 'Tapta Kunda', where the devotees bathe (Plate-2). The effluents from 'Tapta Kunda' finally meet the river downstream.

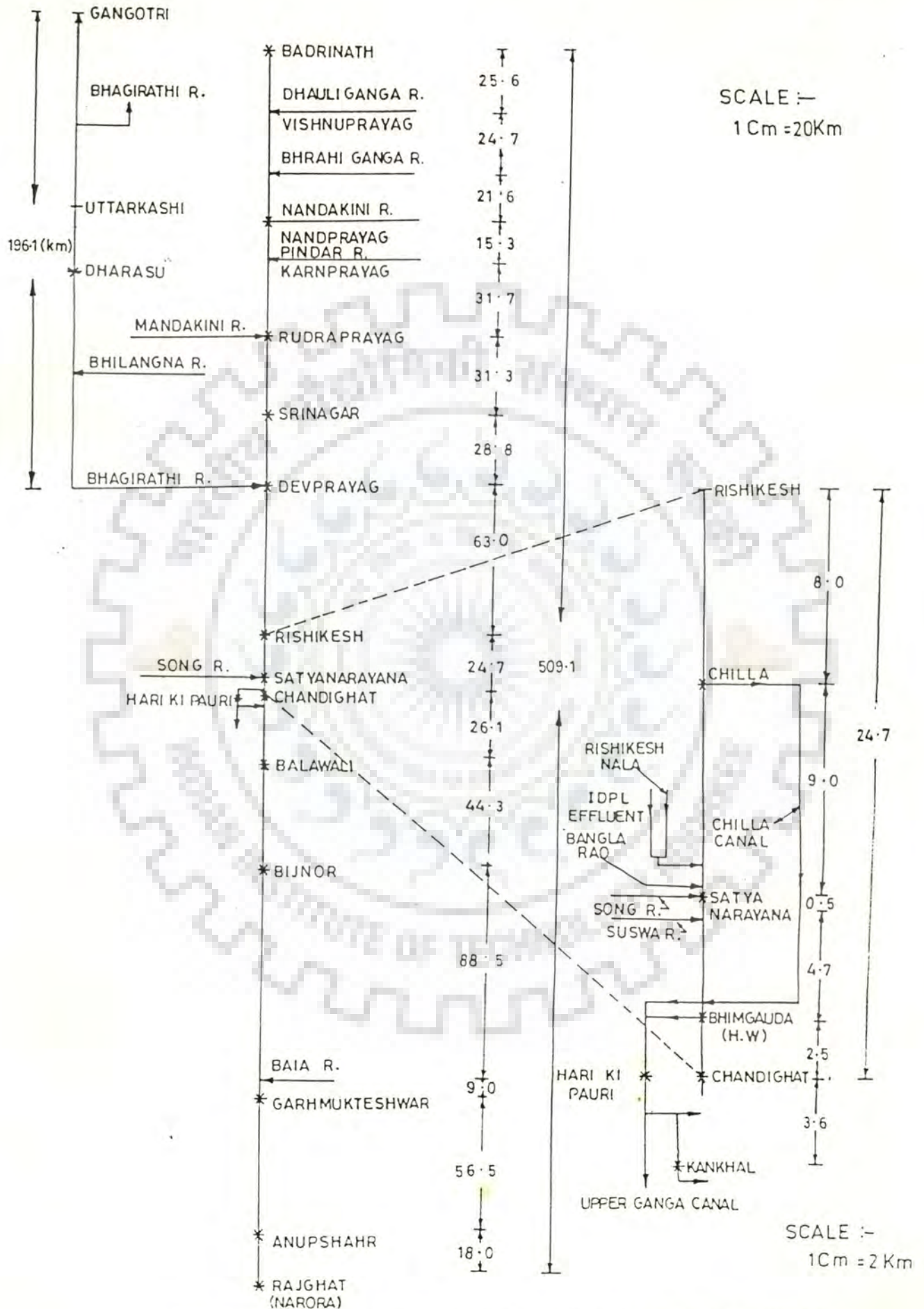


FIG. 3.1 — SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF GANGA RIVER SYSTEM

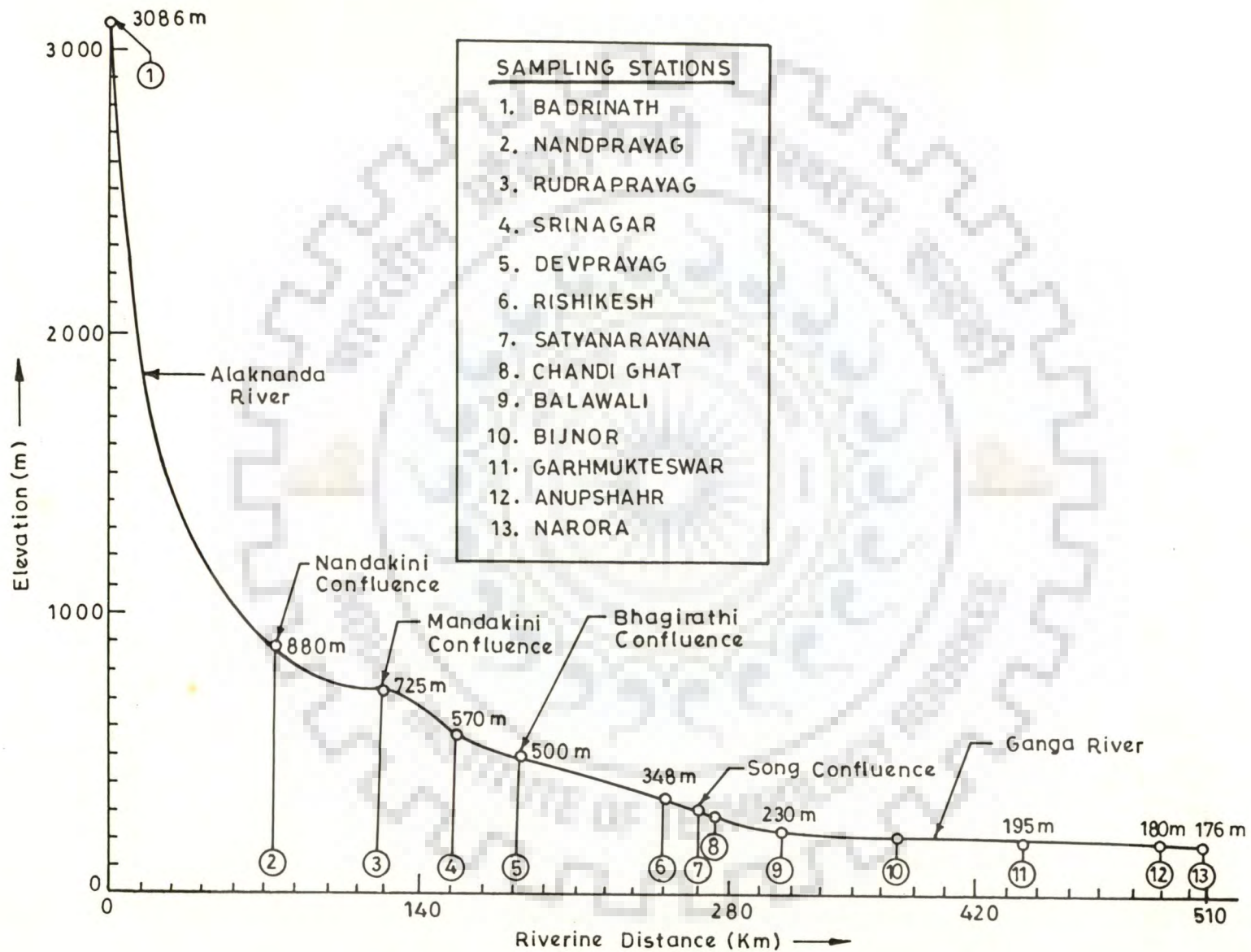


FIG. 3.2 — L-SECTION OF GANGA RIVER  
(Badrinath to Narora)

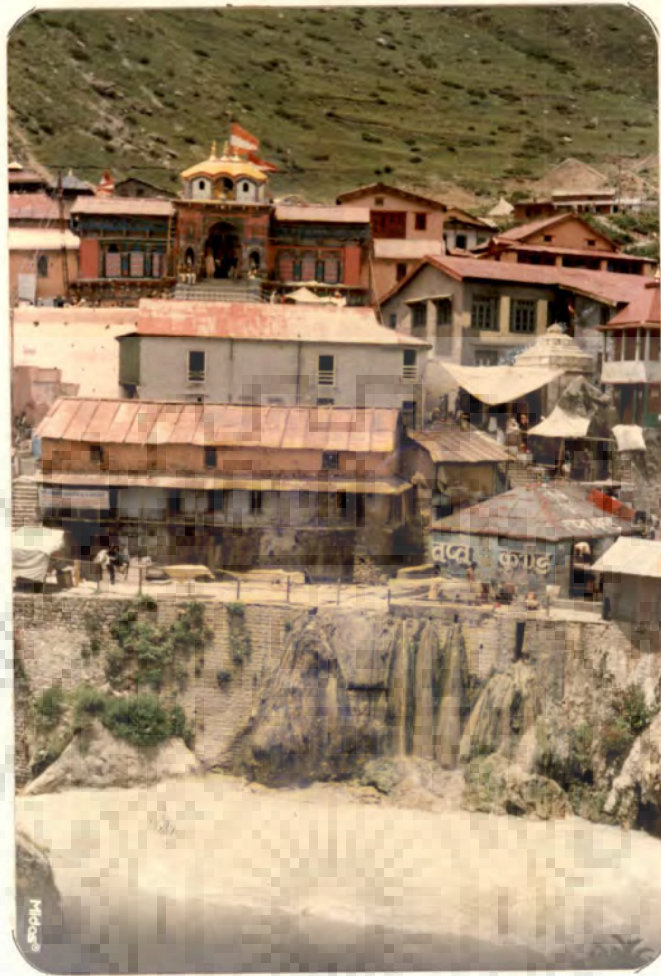
TABLE 3.1 LIST OF PRIMARY SAMPLING STATIONS ALONGWITH RELEVANT DETAILS

Stn. No.	Sampling Stations	Distance from Badrinath	Elevation (m)	Latitude	Longitude	Activities of concern at and around station
0	Badrinath	0	3086	30°-44'-29"	79°-29'-41"	CB,DM
1	Nandprayag	71.9	880	30°-19'-53"	79°-19'-08"	DM,AG
2	Rudraprayag	118.9	715	20°-17'-09"	78°-59'-04"	DM,AG
3	Srinagar	150.2	570	30°-13'-16"	78°-47'-26"	CB,CR,DM & AG
4	Devprayag	179.0	500	30°-08'-54"	78°-36'-59"	CB,DM,AG
5	Rishikesh	242.0	348	30°-07'-21"	78°-19'-10"	CB,CR,DM
6	Satyanarayana	259.0	-	29°-57'-38"	78°-14'-32"	DM, ID, AG
7	Balawali	292.5	230	29°-37'-55"	78°-06'-24"	CR,AG
8	Bijnor	337.1	-	29°-22'-55"	78°-04'-35"	CR,AG,WR
9	Garhmukteshwar	434.6	195	28°-45'-40"	78°-08'-41"	CB,CR,DM & AG
10	Anupshahr	491.1	180	28°-21'-27"	78°-16'-58"	CB,CR,DM & AG
11	Rajghat Narora	509.1	176	28°-14'-32"	78°-21'-51"	CB,CR,DM & AG

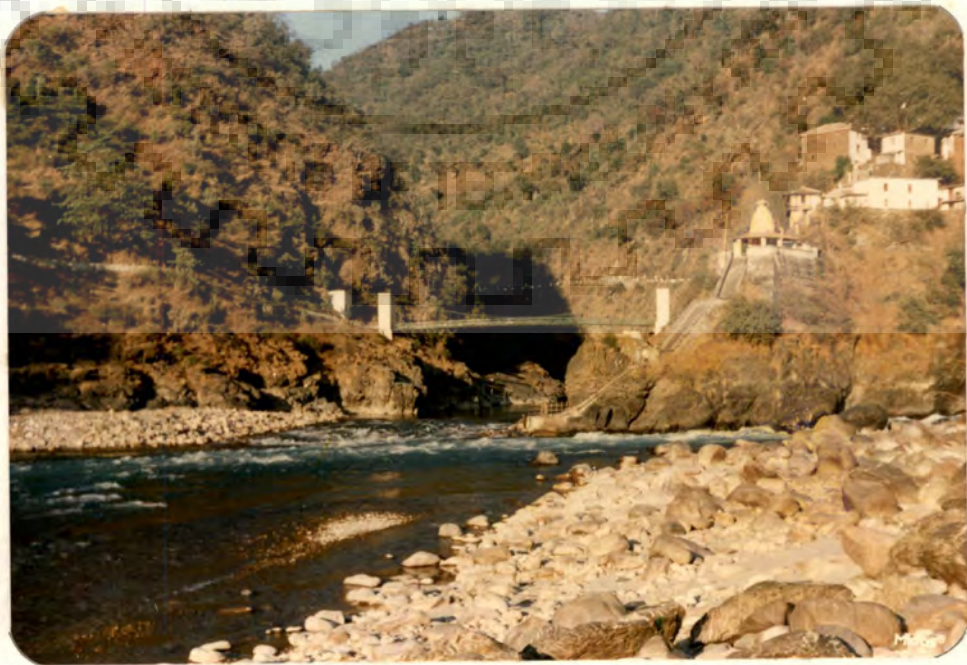
CB = Community Bathing, DM = Point/Nonpoint Domestic Effluents  
 CR = Cremation and Post Cremation Activity (eg. Disposing of Ash etc.)  
 ID = Point/Nonpoint Industrial Effluents  
 WR = Water Regulation, AG = Agricultural Runoff



2. **Nandprayag:** It is situated 71.9 km downstream of Badrinath at an elevation of 880 meters. The tributary Nandakini meets the river Alaknanda at Nandaprayag. Nandaprayag is small town having few educational institutions, dispensary, tourist lodge and rest houses. Bathing activities and domestic discharges are not significant.
3. **Rudraprayag:** The station is located 47 kms downstream of Nandaprayag on the confluence of tributary Mandakini (Plate-2) with Alaknanda at an elevation of 725 MSL. This small township on the banks of river remains crowded with tourists and pilgrims on way to Badrinath and Kedarnath. The town accommodates a small population with small domestic discharges.
4. **Srinagar:** Srinagar is an important hill town of Garhwal Himalayan region situated 31.3 km downstream of Nandaprayag at an elevation of 570 MSL. The population of the township is about 8000 (1977) and supports educational institutions, health centre, and business centre. There is a sizable floating population preferring overnight stay during their journey to Badrinath and Kedarnath. Pollution due to domestic effluents and soil heaps dumped on the river bank is significant.
5. **Devprayag:** This station is located at the confluence where Bhagirathi meets Alaknanda, 28.8 km downstream of Srinagar at an elevation of 500 MSL. The river here after is called as Ganges (Plate-3). The population of the township is small and bathing



TAPT KUND EFFLUENT AT BADRINATH



CONFLUENCE OF MANDAKINI AT RUDRAPRAYAG

activity is not very prominent.

6. Rishikesh: The Ganges, after completing the mountainous course, enters the plains at Rishikesh and has an elevation of 348 m. It is an important religious and tourist place. Intense bathing activity is observed throughout the year. (Plate-3).

7. Satyanarayana: The station is about 15 km downstream of Rishikesh. The tributary Song joins the river around this point. The treated effluents of the antibiotic plant of Indian Drugs and Pharmaceutical Ltd. are also discharged into the river a few hundred metres upstream of this station. (Plate-4).

8. Chandighat: This station is located 6 km downstream of Bhimgauda headworks. Cremation and bathing are common upstream activities. During lean flow months much of the water is released in the canal and the flow is depleted.

8. Balawali: Balawali is a small township located 22.5 km downstream of Haridwar. Cremation is prominent at this spot. (Plate-5).

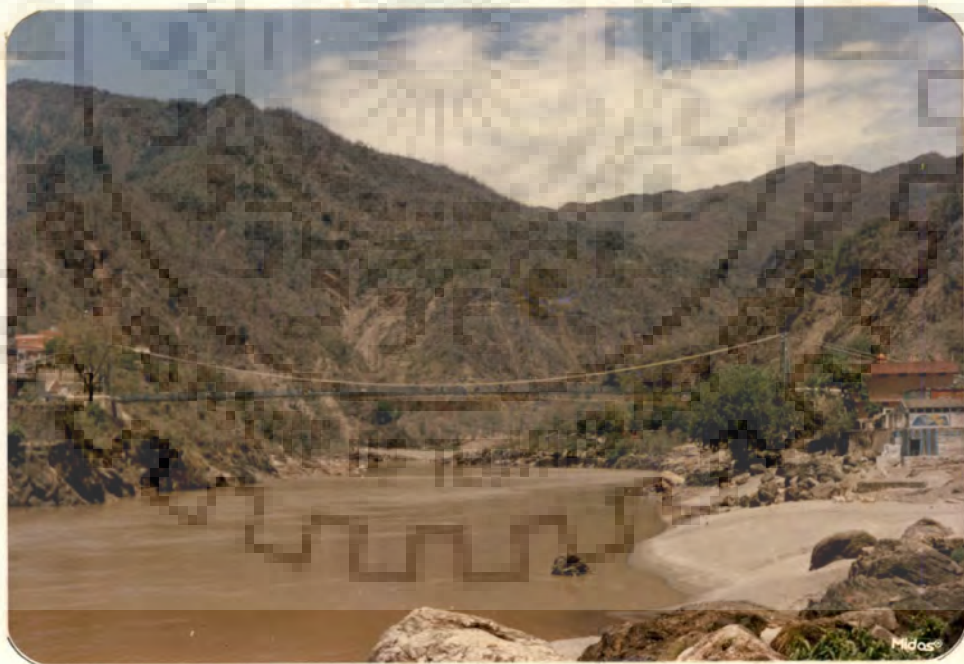
9. Bijnor: It is situated 44.3 km downstream of Balawali. Madhya Ganga Canal takes off from Bijnor headworks. Cremation activities at the burning ghat downstream of the Bijnor barrage are significant.

10. Garhmukteshwar: It is 47.4 km downstream of Bijnor and is a spot of religious importance. Intense bathing activity is observed throughout the year. Baya river which carries mainly

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GANGA AT DEVPRAYAG



GANGA, ENTERING PLAINS AT RISHIKESH



IDPL EFFLUENT AT SATYANARAYANA



GANGA RIVER AT SATYANARAYANA  
(LEAN FLOW)

PLATE - 4



IDPL EFFLUENT AT SATYANARAYANA



GANGA RIVER AT SATYANARAYANA  
(LEAN FLOW)

PLATE - 4



LEAN FLOW CONDITIONS AT BALAWALI



GANGA AT BRIGHAT, GARHMUKTESHWAR  
(LEAN FLOW CONDITION)

the waters of Ram Ganga feeder, an irrigation canal, joins Ganga about 8 km upstream of this station. (Plate-5).

11. Anupshahr: Anupshahr is 71.3 km downstream of Garhmukteshwar and is a small town. Bank erosion is very prominent at this station. (Plate-6).

12. Rajghat Narora: Narora is 18.3 km downstream of Anupshahr. Cremation by burning and bathing are common at this station. (Plate-6).

### 3.1.2 SECONDARY SAMPLING NETWORK:

Secondary sampling network stations were identified to investigate the Song river stretch, its mineral load and impact on the riverine system. A 56.2 km Song river stretch from Maldevta to its confluence with Ganga has been selected for the secondary sampling network (Fig 2.4 & 3.3).

1. Maldevta Upstream: This is the first sampling station and has gained importance due to underground mining of phosphate rocks by P.P.C.L., Dehradun. Just above the sampling point, the Song river is joined by Bandal River, which carries the mine water from the PPCL plant and waters of Timli Nala (from lime deposits).

2. Sahashradhara: It is important sampling station due to extensive mining of limestone. Sahashradhara is also known for its sulfur. The Baldi river carries these water to Song river.





EFFLUENT DISCHARGE AT ANUPSHAHR



EFFLUENT MOVING TOWARDS GANGA AT RAJGHAT NARORA  
PLATE-6

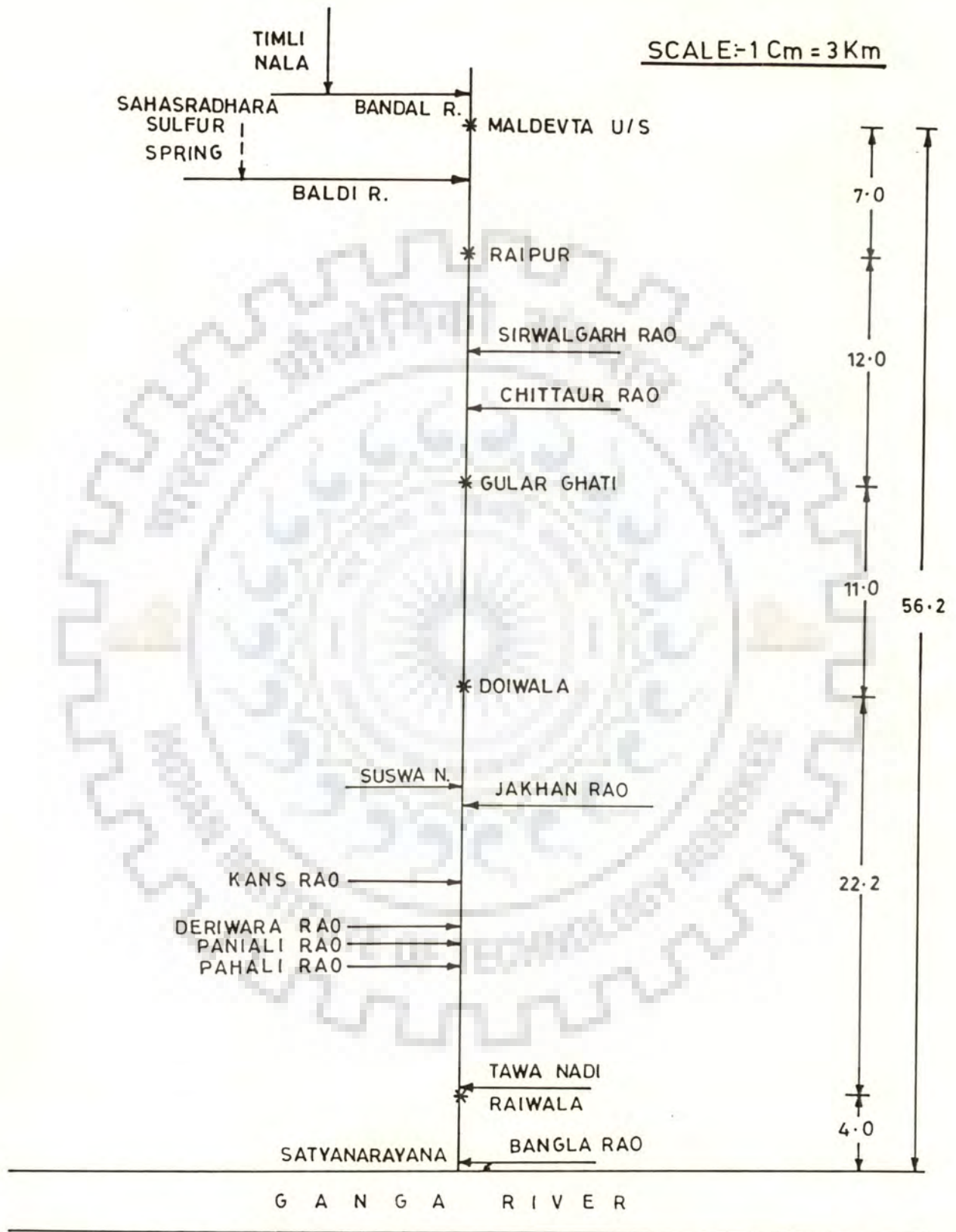


FIG:3.3 - SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF SONG RIVER SYSTEM  
( RIVER DISTANCE : Km )

3. Raipur: Raipur is situated 7 km downstream of Maldevta and 2.5 km down of Baldi confluence. The impact of Baldi can be visualized at this station.

4. Gularghati: Gularghati is located 12 km downstream of Raipur on the right bank of Song river. A small village is situated in the vicinity of the sampling spot. Between Raipur and this point the river remains dry in lean flow season.

5. Doiwala: Doiwala is 11 km downstream of Gularghati and is on the Dehradun-Haridwar road. (Plate-7).

6. Raiwala Road Bridge: It is 22.2 km downstream of Doiwala and is important with respect to the number of inputs to Song river. 6 km upstream the Suswa and Jakhan Rao tributaries join the Song river. At Raiwala bridge Tawa river joins Song river. (Plate-7).

7. Satyanarayana: Satyanarayana is 4 km downstream of Raiwala. It is the place at which Song river after completing its journey through Doon Valley joins Ganga river. Just before the confluence, tributary Bangla Rao joins Song river.

### 3.2 SAMPLING FREQUENCY

Sampling frequency is related to the purpose of the network, relative importance of the station, the variability of data, the accessibility and available resources. Initially between Dec.1984 to July 1985 the surveys were conducted at monthly intervals to gain information about the trends in the Ganga



SONG AT DOIWALA ( RUN-OFF CONDITIONS )



CONFLUENCE OF TAWA WITH SONG AT  
RAIWALA ( LEAN FLOW )

stretch. After the identification of zones of importance and visualizing the trends of parameters, the frequency was made bimonthly.

To assess the variations of mineral quality within a day diurnal sampling was also conducted at selected stations viz. Nandprayag, Srinagar, Satyanarayana, Garhmukteshwar and Rajghat Narora. The observations, however, revealed no significant variations.

### 3.3 SAMPLE COLLECTION AND HANDLING

As the velocities in the upper reach were high, ensuring well mixed conditions, only grab samples were collected in the mountainous stretch from Badrinath to Rishikesh. Rishikesh downstream where the velocities reduce integrated samples were collected across the river section. The samples were collected strictly as per standard procedures with the help of samplers.

Samples of the important tributaries were collected before and after the confluence from both the water bodies with due consideration of mixing and stabilization distance.

Every care was taken in sample handling to minimize any change taking place during storage and transportation. Table 3.2 illustrates the procedures applied.

### 3.4 PROCEDURES OF ANALYSIS

Procedures given in the Standard Methods (AWWA, WPCF, 1978) have been followed for the analysis of the water samples.

TABLE 3.2 SAMPLE HANDLING AND PRESERVATION

Parameter	Container	Optimum Storage Time	Method Of Preservation
Turbidity	P	Within a week	Refrigerated
Solids	P	Within a week	Refrigerated
Conductivity	P,G	Analysed at site	-
pH	P,G(B)	Analysed at site	-
Alakalinity	P,G(B)	Analysed on same day	Refrigerated
Acidity	P,G(B)	Analysed on same day	Refrigerated
Total Hardness	P,G(B)	Analysed on same day	Refrigerated
Chlorides	P,G	Within a week	Refrigerated
C.O.D.	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
B.O.D.	P,G	Analysed on same day	Refrigerated
Ammonical Nitrogen	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
Kjeldahl Nitrogen	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
Nitrate Nitrogen	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
Nitrite Nitrogen	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
Sodium	P	Within a week	Acidified with hydrochloric acid
Sulphates	P,G	Within a week	Acidified with hydrochloric acid
Phosphates	P,G	Analysed on same day	Acidified with sulfuric acid
Trace Heavy Metals	P,G(A)	Within a week	Acidified with nitric acid

P = Plastic

G = Glass

G(A) = Glass acidified

Summary of the techniques for selected parameters is listed in Table 3.3. The summary of definitions and units are given in Table 3.4.

#### 3.4.1 Correctness of the Analysis:

Every precaution for precision and accuracy of analysis has been taken. The results have been analysed on the cation-anion balance and specific conductance methods.

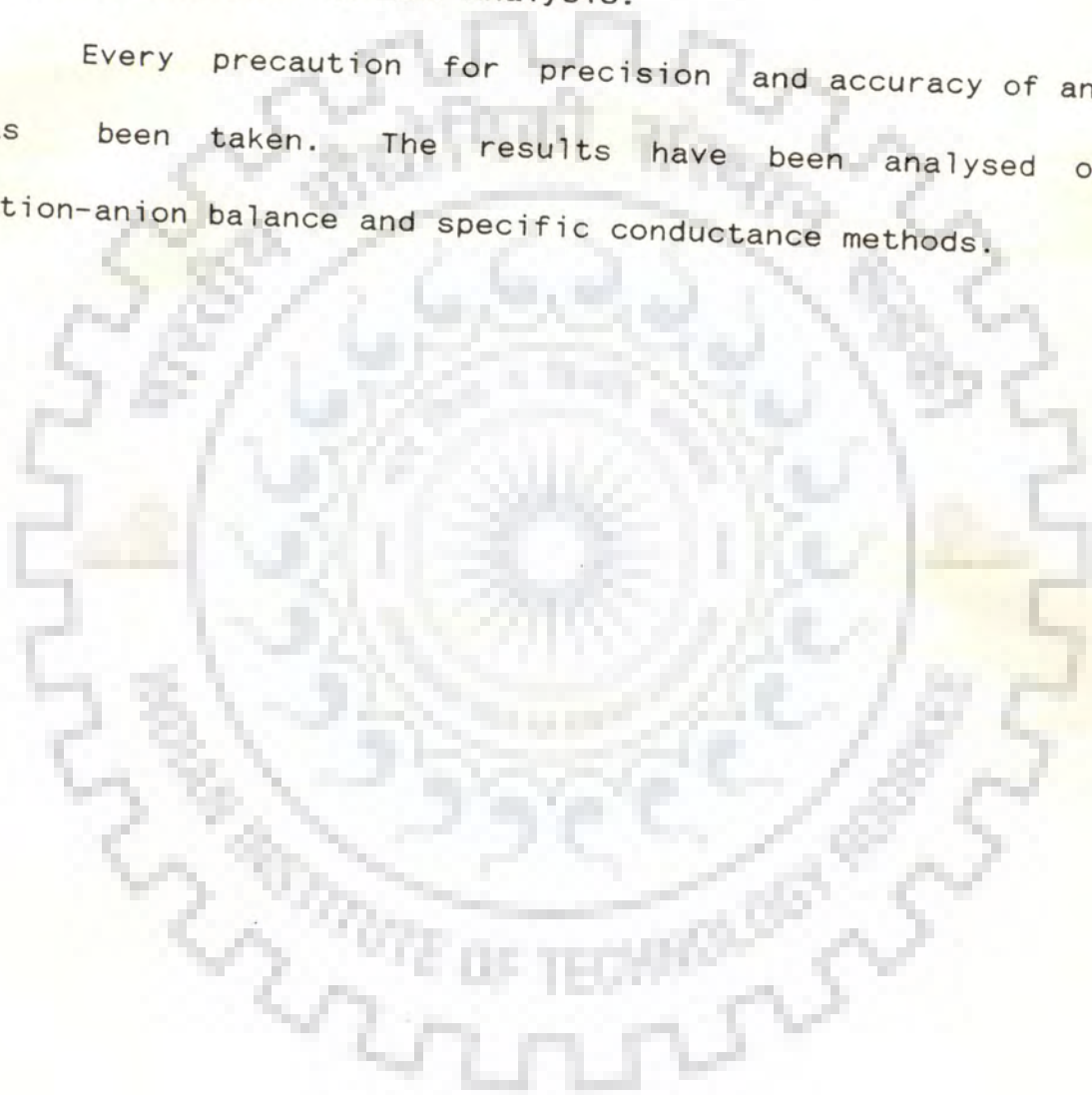


TABLE 3.3 SUMMARY OF ANALYTICAL METHODS

Parameter	Technique	Principle
Turbidity	Nephelometer or Jackson turbidity meter	Nephelometry or Absorptiometry
Residue		
(a) Total	Gravimetric	Evaporation at 103°-105°C
(b) Dissolved	-do-	Evaporation of residue left on a standard filter disc at 108°C
(c) Volatile	-do-	Ignition of the residue obtained for total solids at 550°C
Electrical Conductivity	Conductivity Measurement	CENTURY Portable Water Analyser
pH	pH	-do-
Alkalinity	Volumetric	Acid-base titration titrant-N/50 sulfuric acid, indicator-methyl orange
Acidity	-do-	Acid-base titration titrant-N/50 sodium hydroxide, indicator-phenolphthalein/methyl orange
Total Hardness	-do-	Compleximetric titration, titrant-0.01M EDTA indicator-Erichrome Black-T, using ammonia buffer
Calcium	-do-	Compleximetric titration, titrant-0.01M EDTA indicator-Murexide, using 1N sodium hydroxide as buffer

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(TABLE 3.3 CONTINUED)

Magnesium	-do-	Difference between total hardness and calcium hardness
Chlorides	-do-	Argentometric titration, titrant-N/35.5 silver nitrate, indicator-pot.chromate
Dissolved Oxygen	-do-	Wrinkler's method titrant-N/80 sodium thiosulfate, indicator-starch (fresh)
C.O.D.	-do-	Reflux method followed by redox titration titrant-0.1 N ferrous ammonium sulfate, indicator-ferroin
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	-do-	Modified Wrinkler's method, 5 day incubation at 20°C.
Ammonical Nitrogen	Colorimetric	Distillation, followed by Nesslerization
Kjeldahl Nitrogen	-do-	Kjeldahl method-Nesslerization
Nitrate Nitrogen	-do-	Phenol di sulfonic acid method
Nitrite Nitrogen	-do-	Diazotization
Sodium	Flamephotometry	Flamephotometer
Sulfates	Gravimetric	Precipitation by BaCl <sub>2</sub> as BaSO <sub>4</sub> in acidic medium
Phosphate	Colorimetry	Stannous chloride method
Trace Metals	Atomic Absorption	

TABLE 3.4 SUMMARY OF DEFINITIONS AND UNITS

Classification	Characteristics	Units	Major Causal Factors
Physical	Turbidity	Turbidity units	Microorganisms; metallic substances, clay; temperature
	Suspended solids	mg/l	Temperature; particle size and density
	Conductivity	$\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$	Temperature, concentration of dissolved solids
	pH	-	Temperature, pressure, anions and cations present
Chemical	Alkalinity	mg/l $\text{CaCO}_3$	Temperature, concentration of dissolved cations and anions, pH
	Acidity	-do-	-do-
	Total Hardness	-do-	Calcium and magnesium ions predominately, temperature
	Chlorides	mg/l	Conductivity
	Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	Temperature, dissolved organic matter
	C.O.D.	mg/l	Temperature, degradable organic matter, refractory organics
	B.O.D.	mg/l	Temperature, biodegradable organic matter
	Ammonical Nitrogen	mg/l	pH, temperature, organic nitrogenous matter which can be destroyed by microbial activity
	Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/l	-do-
	Nitrate Nitrogen	mg/l	-do-
	Nitrite Nitrogen	mg/l	-do-
	Sodium	mg/l	Temperature, pH, conductivity and chlorides
	Phosphates	mg/l	
	Trace Heavy	$\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$	

#### 4.0 PHYSICO CHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF GANGA WATER

- 4.1 ACCURACY OF DATA
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#### 4.0 PHYSICO CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF GANGA WATER

The state of physico chemical environment of water in the Upper Ganga stretch, in general, is governed by the following factors:

- geological formations of the catchment area
- anthropogenic activities including water abstraction and regulation in the catchment area
- network of tributaries
- climatic regime from the point of view of wet months necessitating run-off and dry months necessitating groundwater inflows in the rivers/tributaries.

The geology and human activities of the catchment area have been discussed in earlier chapters. In general, composition of Ganga waters in the study area, impact of the major tributaries and trend of physico chemical parameters including trace metals are, however, discussed in the following paragraphs.

##### 4.1 ACCURACY OF DATA

Before utilising the chemical analysis data for interpretation checks of accuracy in terms of available methods of ionic balance method and electrical conductance method (Standard Methods, AWWA, APHA, 1976), were applied.

##### 4.1.1. Ionic Balance Method:

Theoretically in any water sample the sum of total anions and total cations, expressed in me/l, should be equal. But in

practice, the sums are seldom equal because of random variation and errors of measurement. This inequality increases as the ionic concentrations increase. The difference should fall between acceptable limits of

$$\Sigma \text{ anions} - \Sigma \text{ cations} = \pm(0.1065 + 0.0155 \Sigma \text{ anions})$$

(Standard Methods)

A control chart to represent the ionic balance of samples as monthly values of

$$[ (\Sigma \text{ anions} - \Sigma \text{ cations}) \div 0.1065 ] + [0.0155 \Sigma \text{ anions}]$$

are shown plotted in Fig. 4.1. The deviations have been marked with station numbers. The plot reveals that 90 % of the data falls within acceptable standard deviations. Thus the data can be considered to be accurate.

#### 4.1.2 ELECTRIC CONDUCTANCE METHOD:

The ionic balance method may sometimes lead to the compensation of errors and produce good agreement between the sum of anions and cations even though the results may not be so. Thus, additional method of conductivity and total dissolved solids correlation was applied. In most natural waters, conductivity and total dissolved solid ratios range in the order of 0.5 to 0.7 depending upon the chemical composition. For inland waters the values will, however, lie around 0.6 while for saline waters it will be around 0.7. The perusal of the ratio

will indicate gross mistakes in the analysis. In the present study, these ratios have been found to lie between 0.5 - 0.7, in 95 % of the samples (Fig.4.2). Thus a good agreement of accuracy of physico chemical analysis was established.

#### 4.2 CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF GANGA WATER

There are several methods available for the representation of chemical analysis data, viz. Collin's Bar Diagram, Stiff Polygons, Pie Diagrams, Hill Piper Trilinear Diagram, Circular Diagram, Radial Coordinate Diagrams, Bico-ordinate Systems, Water Quality Profiles and Longitudinal Variation Diagrams. However, in the present study, two methods have been used to discuss the physico chemical composition of Ganga Water.

(i) Hill-Piper Trilinear Diagram

(ii) Water Quality Profiles

Water Quality Indices to define the mineral transport have also been worked out.

##### 4.2.1. Hill-piper Trilinear Diagram:

The Piper's Trilinear Diagram is one of the most frequently used method for the representation of chemical composition and classification of water samples. The advantage of this method is that it can incorporate several samples in one figure.

As shown in Fig. 4.3, the Hill-piper Diagram comprises three sub-diagrams as

- one triangular diagram for cations

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. NANDAPRAYAG           | 10. DEVPRAYAG A/C  |
| 2. NANDAPRAYAG NANDAKINI | 11. RISHIKESH      |
| 3. NANDAPRAYAG A/C       | 12. SATYANARAYANA  |
| 4. RUDRAPRAYAG B/C       | 13. CHANDIGHAT     |
| 5. RUDRAPRAYAG MANDAKINI | 14. BALAWALI       |
| 6. RUDRAPRAYAG A/C       | 15. BIJNOR         |
| 7. SRINAGAR              | 16. GARHMUKTESHWAR |
| 8. DEVPRAYAG B/C         | 17. ANUPSHAHR      |
| 9. DEVPRAYAG BHAGIRATHI  | 18. RAJGHAT NARORA |

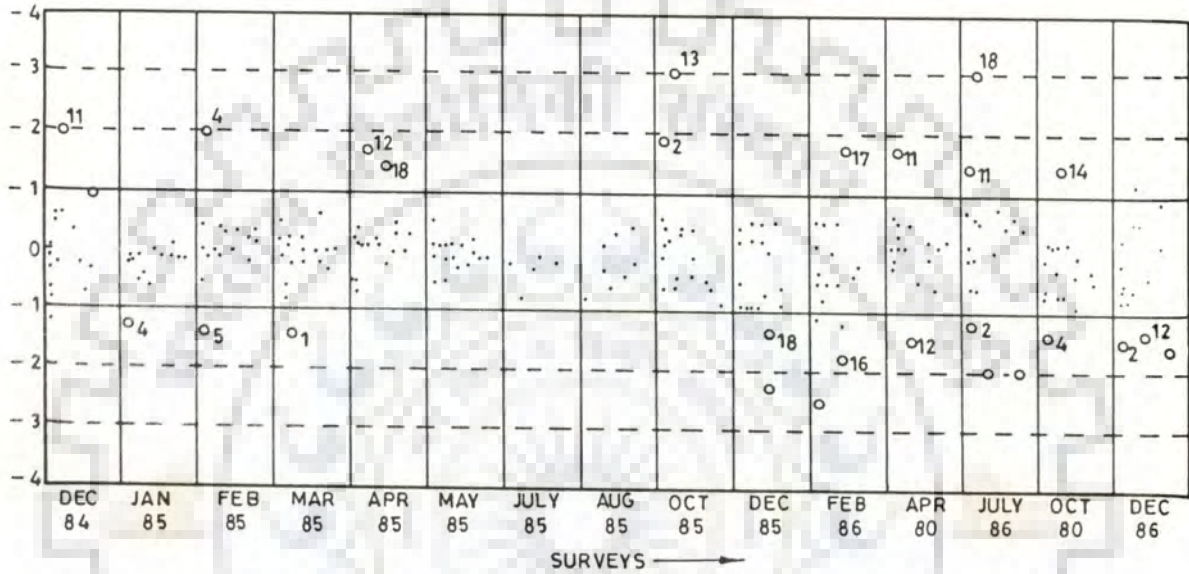


FIG. 4-1 — VARIATIONS IN CATION-ANION BALANCE

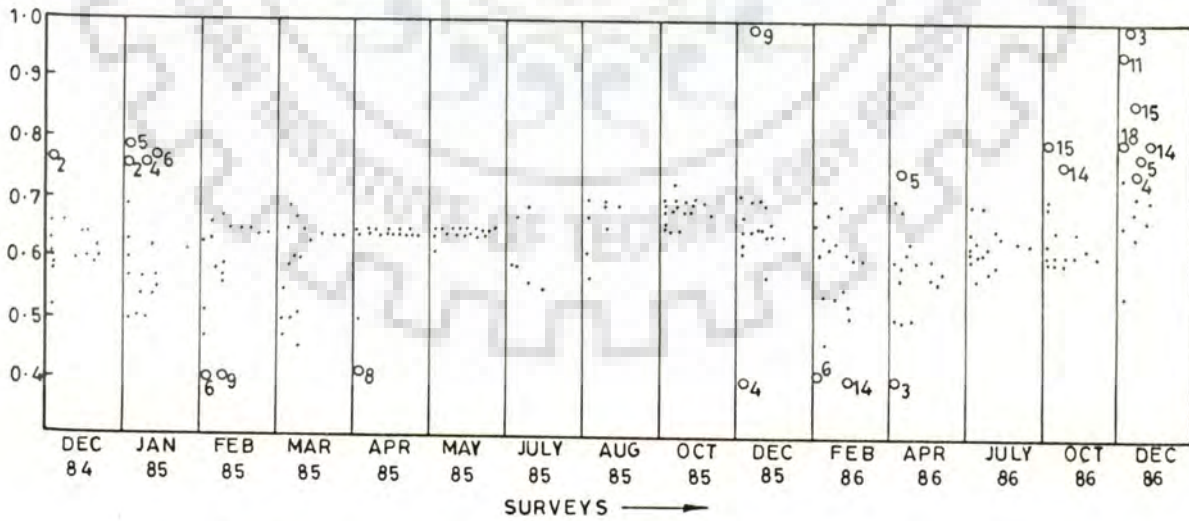


FIG. 4-2 — VARIATIONS IN COND./TDS

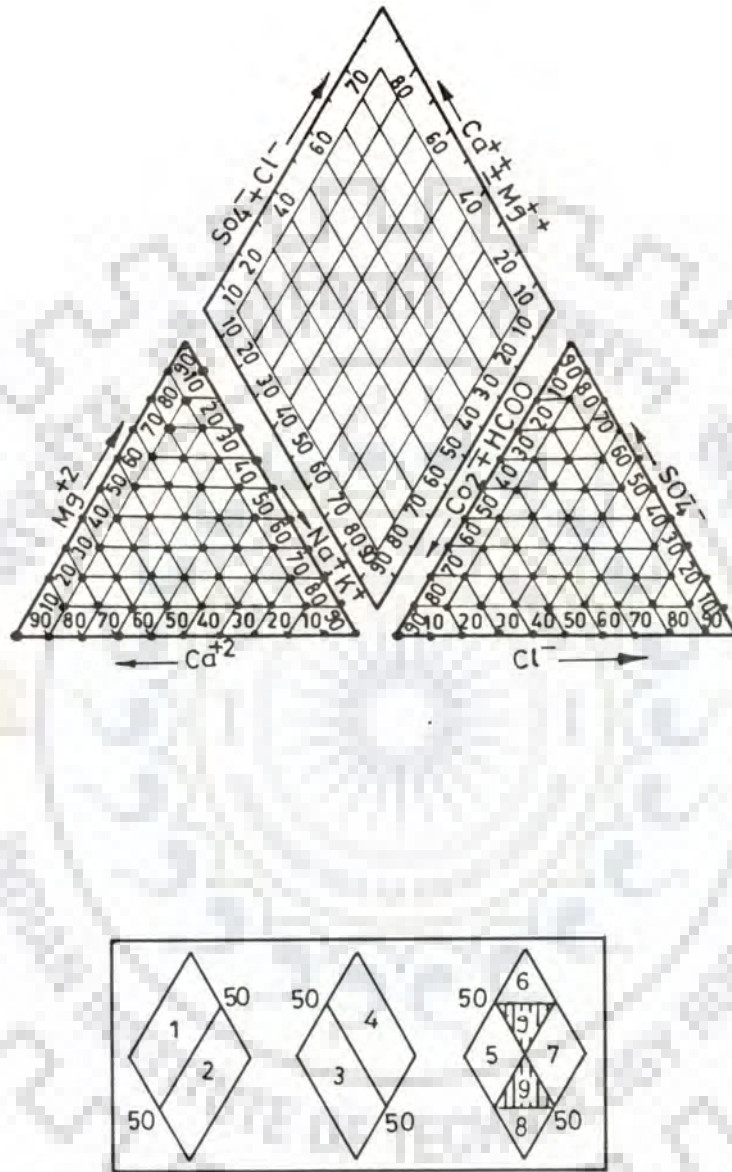


FIG.4.3-PIPER TRILINEAR DIAGRAM (AFTER PIPER,1953)



- one triangular diagram for anions
- a centrally located diamond shaped diagram for composite picture of cations and anions.

All the sides of the three diagrams are indicated between 0 to 100 scale.

The diamond shaped field at the centre is divided into different areas which represent 9 groups of water depending upon the major cationic-anionic composition (Fig. 4.3). These nine areas describe the following characteristics of water:

- Area 1: Alkaline earth metals (calcium, magnesium) dominate alkalis (sodium and potassium).
- Area 2: Alkalis dominates alkaline earths.
- Area 3: Weak acids (carbonates and bicarbonates) dominates strong acids (chlorides and sulfates).
- Area 4: Strong acids exceeds weak acids
- Area 5: Carbonate hardness exceeds 50 percent i.e. the chemical properties of the water are dominated by alkaline earths with weak acids.
- Area 6: Non carbonate hardness exceeds 50 percent i.e. the chemical properties are dominated by alkaline earths with strong acids.
- Area 7: Non carbonate alkalinity (primary salinity) exceeds 50 percent i.e. the chemical properties are dominated by alkalis and strong acids.

Area 8: Carbonate alkalinity exceeds 50 percent i.e. the chemical properties of water are dominated by alkalis and weak acids.

Area 9: It shows an intermittent category or mixed type of water in which no single cation or anion pair exceeds 50 percent.

To plot the trilinear diagram the percentage me/l of various cations and anions are first calculated. The mean percentage me/l values of calcium, magnesium, sodium and potassium are plotted on the left hand side of triangular diagram as a single point according to conventional trilinear coordinates. The mean percentage me/l values of bicarbonates and carbonates, chlorides, and sulfates are plotted on the right hand side of triangular diagram as a single point. The positions of these two points in the triangular diagram are extended into the diamond shaped field, which gives the overall chemical characteristics of the water sample.

The Piper's Trilinear Diagram plotted for Ganga water samples at different locations in the study area is illustrated in Fig. 4.4. At all locations except no.11, the Ganga water falls in area 5, indicating thereby that the chemical character of water is dominated by alkaline earths and weak acids. In other words, carbonates and bicarbonates with calcium and magnesium are the predominant ionic species at these locations.



Whereas, location no.11, Satyanarayana, shows a mixed character.

#### 4.3 IMPACT OF TRIBUTARIES ON THE PHYSICO-CHEMICAL

##### COMPOSITION OF GANGA WATER

Though the flow of Ganga river in the study area is contributed by numerous small torrents and tributaries; Nandakini, Mandakini, Bhagirathi and Song are the four major ones of the region. All these tributaries have sub-catchment areas with characteristic geology and catchment activity. The respective sources of these tributaries also govern the physico chemical composition of waters. As discussed in earlier chapters, the first three tributaries are glacier based where as, Song is fed through effluent springs. The difference in origin of tributaries is incremental to chemical parameters.

To assess the impact of these four major tributaries, physico chemical parameters have been discussed under four seasons as:

Winter Season, incise the period from November to February, corresponding with lean flow or base flow.

Summer Season, incise the period from March to May, in which river is fed by snow melt.

Monsoon Season, incise the period from June to August with surface run-off from the catchment.

Post-Monsoon Season, incise the period from September to October with reduced flows.

The perusal of Tables 4.1 through 4.4, reveals the seasonal variations as:

Of the three glacier fed tributaries, Nandakini contributes more minerals and Bhagirathi more suspended solids. The temporal variations, however, indicate that Nandakini carries the maximum mineral load in Winter with low chlorides and sulfates, indicating the effluent character of groundwater interaction. This is borne out by the geological formations also.

During Summer season the flows are derived chiefly from snow melt and the tributaries carry more of bicarbonates, carbonates of calcium and magnesium. In Bhagirathi the flows carry more sulfates and chlorides. The pH values do not show any apparent change, where as ORP values increase in monsoon season. The system althrough remains oxidative with values ranging between +194.8 to +319.0 mV. The reason for increase in ORP values during Monsoon could only be attributed to increase in flow and turbulence.

The mineral matter measured through conductance and total dissolved solids are maximum in summer and winter where as the values are below average in monsoon and post-monsoon. These low values are due to more dilution as compared to summers and winters where the flow contribution is only through snow melt and ground water interaction.

TABLE 4.1 IMPACT OF MAJOR TRIBUTARIES  
(Winter Season)

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
pH	8.3	0.3	7.9	0.5	8.1	0.5	8.0	0.4
ORP	201.6	58.1	197.7	67.9	194.8	57.0	155.0	56.6
Conductance ( $\mu$ mohos)	170.2	58.3	135.6	78.3	144.8	54.3	501.1	154.3
T.D.S. (mg/l)	103.7	16.4	96.6	56.2	89.9	12.8	341.8	93.6
Bicarbonates (mg/l)	68.4	20.8	42.6	7.1	49.5	12.6	183.4	15.8
Carbonates (mg/l)	1.4	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.7	2.3	1.9
Chloride (mg/l)	5.2	2.4	3.8	1.2	5.3	1.5	6.3	0.4
Sulfate (mg/l)	14.6	3.8	7.7	4.1	15.0	4.5	172.5	122.9
Calcium (mg/l)	22.6	5.0	14.4	5.7	18.9	3.5	58.7	38.7
Magnesium (mg/l)	5.9	2.0	5.2	2.2	5.7	2.0	27.8	10.4
Sodium (mg/l)	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	10.0	0.0
Total Anions (me/l)	1.6	0.2	1.0	0.1	1.5	0.2	6.9	2.8
Total Cations (me/l)	1.7	0.2	1.8	0.1	1.5	0.2	7.3	2.8

TABLE 4.2 IMPACT OF MAJOR TRIBUTARIES  
(Summer Season)

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
pH	8.3	0.2	7.9	0.5	8.1	0.5	8.5	-
ORP	291.0	72.7	264.5	34.8	265.2	25.7	188.0	-
Conductance ( $\mu$ mohos)	192.3	29.5	131.6	32.5	174.3	27.9	399.4	-
T.D.S. (mg/l)	109.5	8.3	82.3	23.1	104.6	16.7	149.5	-
Bicarbonates (mg/l)	72.5	10.4	42.2	3.1	54.6	17.4	145.7	-
Carbonates (mg/l)	1.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.8	4.1	-
Chloride (mg/l)	4.2	1.4	4.9	1.6	6.1	1.4	6.3	-
Sulfate (mg/l)	11.3	6.3	7.5	2.9	17.5	9.6	98.5	-
Calcium (mg/l)	24.8	6.5	17.0	7.3	21.7	6.4	57.4	-
Magnesium (mg/l)	3.2	1.3	2.1	0.6	2.9	0.5	20.6	-
Sodium (mg/l)	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	10.0	-
Total Anions (me/l)	1.6	0.3	1.0	0.2	1.5	0.3	4.8	-
Total Cations (me/l)	1.6	0.2	1.0	0.2	1.4	0.3	5.0	-

TABLE 4.3 IMPACT OF MAJOR TRIBUTARIES  
(Post Monsoon Season)

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
pH	8.2	0.4	8.4	0.1	8.5	0.1	8.4	0.2
ORP	229.0	35.5	244.5	37.5	212.5	29.0	240.0	0.0
Conductance ( $\mu$ mohos)	80.9	58.0	128.0	82.0	75.9	56.7	480.0	21.2
T.D.S. (mg/l)	51.5	33.5	85.7	50.3	50.0	35.9	313.3	47.0
Bicarbonates (mg/l)	61.2	14.4	28.4	17.9	47.9	2.5	154.2	49.5
Carbonates (mg/l)	2.5	0.9	0.7	0.1	1.4	0.4	3.7	2.7
Chloride (mg/l)	3.4	2.1	3.7	0.4	3.4	0.2	7.6	0.6
Sulfate (mg/l)	3.5	2.1	10.0	0.0	15.0	7.1	107.5	10.6
Calcium (mg/l)	15.9	1.9	9.3	4.4	15.7	1.7	63.3	9.5
Magnesium (mg/l)	4.5	1.3	3.3	1.1	5.4	1.9	20.5	0.2
Sodium (mg/l)	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	10.0	0.0
Total Anions (me/l)	1.3	0.1	0.8	0.3	1.2	0.2	5.1	0.7
Total Cations (me/l)	1.2	0.2	0.8	0.3	1.3	0.2	5.1	0.7



TABLE 4.4 IMPACT OF MAJOR TRIBUTARIES  
(Monsoon Season)

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
pH	7.9	-	7.9	-	7.7	-	8.2	0.3
ORP	319.0	-	290.0	-	291.0	-	231.6	44.5
Conductance ( $\mu$ mohos)	101.7	-	59.9	-	90.9	-	551.7	72.6
T.D.S. (mg/l)	62.6	-	35.7	-	60.1	-	156.8	35.9
Bicarbonates (mg/l)	54.9	-	35.7	-	51.0	-	156.8	33.2
Carbonates (mg/l)	0.5	-	0.3	-	0.2	-	2.4	1.3
Chloride (mg/l)	6.0	-	2.8	-	5.0	-	5.5	0.6
Sulfate (mg/l)	10.0	-	15.0	-	20.0	-	171.5	81.3
Calcium (mg/l)	16.0	-	10.5	-	19.5	-	82.3	26.4
Magnesium (mg/l)	6.8	-	3.7	-	5.3	-	24.4	9.5
Sodium (mg/l)	2.0	-	2.0	-	2.0	-	10.0	0.0
Total Anions (me/l)	1.3	-	1.0	-	1.5	-	6.4	2.0
Total Cations (me/l)	1.4	-	1.0	-	1.5	-	6.6	2.1

The total ionic strength all through the year remains similar with only changes in composition.

The contribution of bicarbonates and or carbonates is dependent on the potential of hydrogen ions and would involve conversion at equilibrium.

On the other hand, the tributary Song contributes a larger mineral load to Ganga river. This is indicated by the high conductance values. The same trend is reflected in total dissolved solids, bicarbonates, sulfates of calcium and magnesium. In general, Song carries more mineral during winter and monsoon as compared to lean flow season i.e. summer.

The following points emerge on the impact of tributaries on the physico chemical characters of Ganga water.

- Maximum mineral load is added by Song river followed by Nandakini and Bhagirathi.
- Bhagirathi emerges out to be the highest contributor of suspended solids. This may be because of many ongoing river regulation projects and human activity on this tributary.

#### 4.4 TRENDS OF PHYSICO CHEMICAL PARAMETERS

Table 4.5 and Figures 4.5 to 4.15 illustrate the trends of physico chemical parameters of Ganga water in the study area from Nandprayag to Rajghat Narora.

TABLE 4.5

S.No	STATIONS	pH		ORP(mV)		SODIUM(mg/l)	
		MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD
1.	NANDPRAYAG B/C	8.00	0.40	238.10	13.00	2.00	0.00
2.	NANDPRAYAG A/C	8.10	0.40	234.00	83.00	2.00	0.00
3.	RUDRAPRAYAG	8.12	0.30	225.60	45.60	2.00	0.00
4.	SRINAGAR	8.20	0.30	207.00	55.00	2.00	0.00
5.	DEVPRAYAG B/C	8.05	0.60	230.00	51.20	2.00	0.00
6.	DEVPRAYAG A/C	8.00	0.50	230.00	51.20	2.00	0.00
7.	RISHIKESH	8.20	0.50	231.50	60.70	2.10	0.50
8.	SATYANARAYANA	8.00	0.50	218.60	63.30	9.50	1.40
9.	BALAWALI	8.10	0.30	214.80	49.30	4.40	1.10
10.	BIJNOR	8.10	0.30	214.80	49.30	4.40	1.10
11.	GARHMUKTESHWAR	8.20	0.40	212.50	57.50	2.80	0.80
12.	ANUPSHAHR	8.15	0.41	212.10	51.00	2.70	0.80
13.	RAJGHAT NARORA	8.20	0.40	192.50	43.20	2.60	0.80

B/C = Before Confluence

A/C = After Confluence

#### 4.4.1 pH:

pH is a general physico chemical parameter and indicates the fate of chemical constituents. From the mean values presented in Table 4.5, the pH was found around 8.0 indicating that the waters were alkaline throughout the stretch. In general, in plains waters tend to be more alkaline as compared to the mountainous reaches. Low pH values were observed during monsoon season as compared to other seasons, which may be attributed to run-off.

#### 4.4.2 Oxidation Reduction Potential:

ORP is closely related to pH and reflects the state and migrating conditions of minerals in water. In a riverine system, sometimes it may reflect the geochemical changes that are occurring in the stretch. The values of ORP were in general, on positive scale indicating prevailing oxidative state of the river. The mean ORP values (Table 4.5) in plains were slightly lower than those in the mountainous reaches where the values were more during monsoon season followed by summer, post-monsoon season and winter seasons. Whereas, in plains, though the trends are fluctuating, higher values were observed in summers.

#### 4.4.3 Solids-Total and Suspended:

The amount of total solids and its variation along the course indicate the extent of erosion and weathering in the riverine catchment. In general, where the physical erosion is

prominent, the suspended load occupies the main portion of the total solids. In the mountainous stretch the total solid content showed a decreasing trend (Fig. 4.5) between Nandprayag and Devprayag. At Devprayag, Bhagirathi adds large amounts of suspended load as anticipated due to intense construction activities in the catchment. Between Devprayag and Rishikesh the total solid content increased nearly proportional to the increase in dissolved solids.

At Satyanarayana the total solid concentration reached the maximum value. This increase is attributable to dissolved solids added by Song river. Downstream of Satyanarayana the values decreased due to the return of tail waters of Chilla headworks. The variation further down was not very significant though a gradual increase though minimal, was observed.

#### 4.4.4 Conductivity and Total Dissolved Solids:

Fig. 4.6 and 4.7 illustrate the trends of conductivity and total dissolved solids in the study area, reflecting the general changes in the concentration of physico chemical parameters. The similarity in the trends shows the accuracy of the data. In general, the trend shows little variation throughout the stretch except at Satyanarayana. The influence of Song in mineral content is so apparent that the temporal variations got completely masked.

The trends of conductivity and total dissolved solids in

- |           |                |                    |
|-----------|----------------|--------------------|
| Stations: | 1. Nandprayag  | 6. Satyanarayana   |
|           | 2. Rudraprayag | 7. Balawali        |
|           | 3. Srinagar    | 8. Bijnor          |
|           | 4. Devprayag   | 9. Garhmukteshwar  |
|           | 5. Rishikesh   | 10. Anupshahr      |
|           |                | 11. Rajghat Narora |

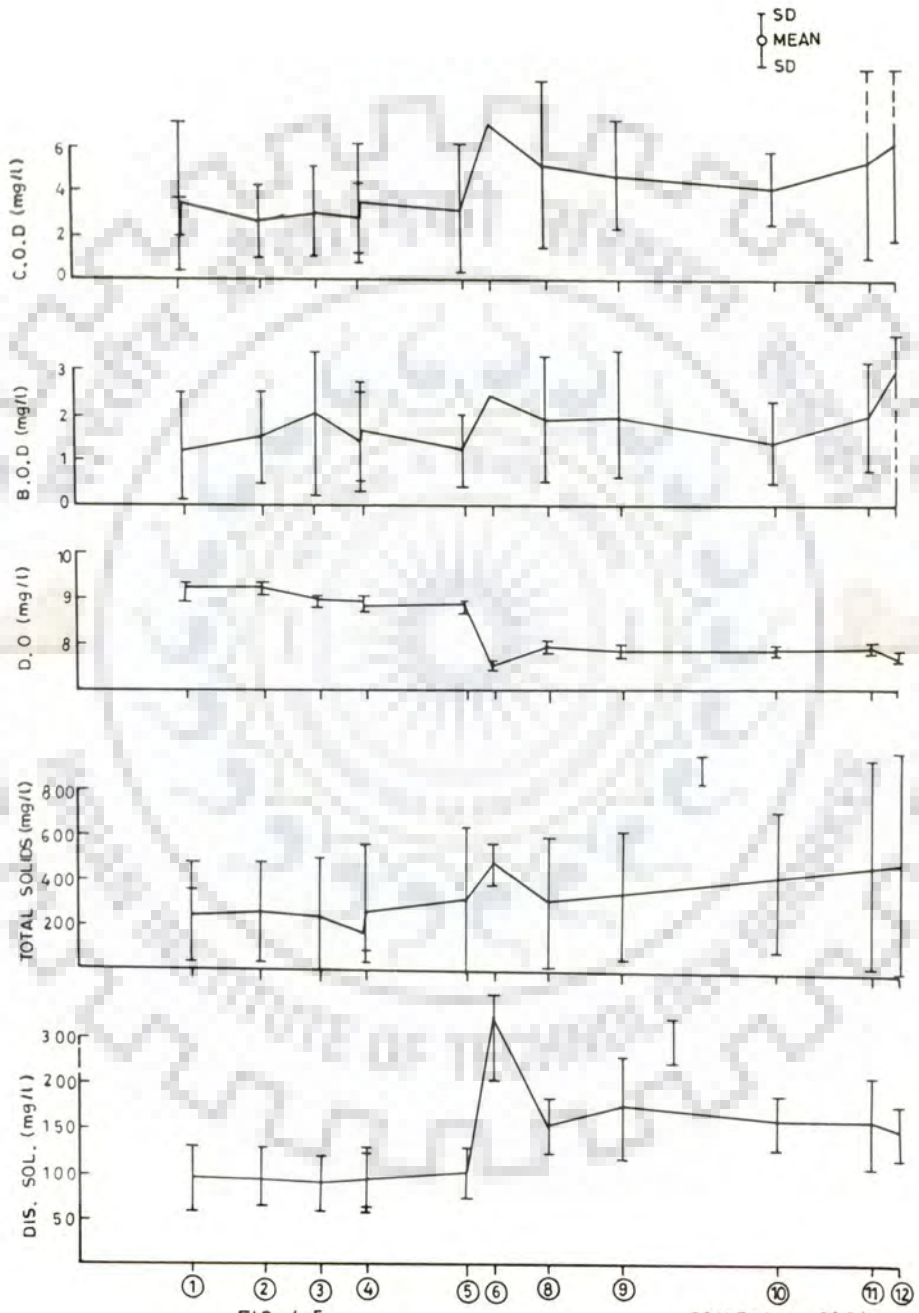


FIG. 4.5

SCALE :- 1cm = 28.3 km



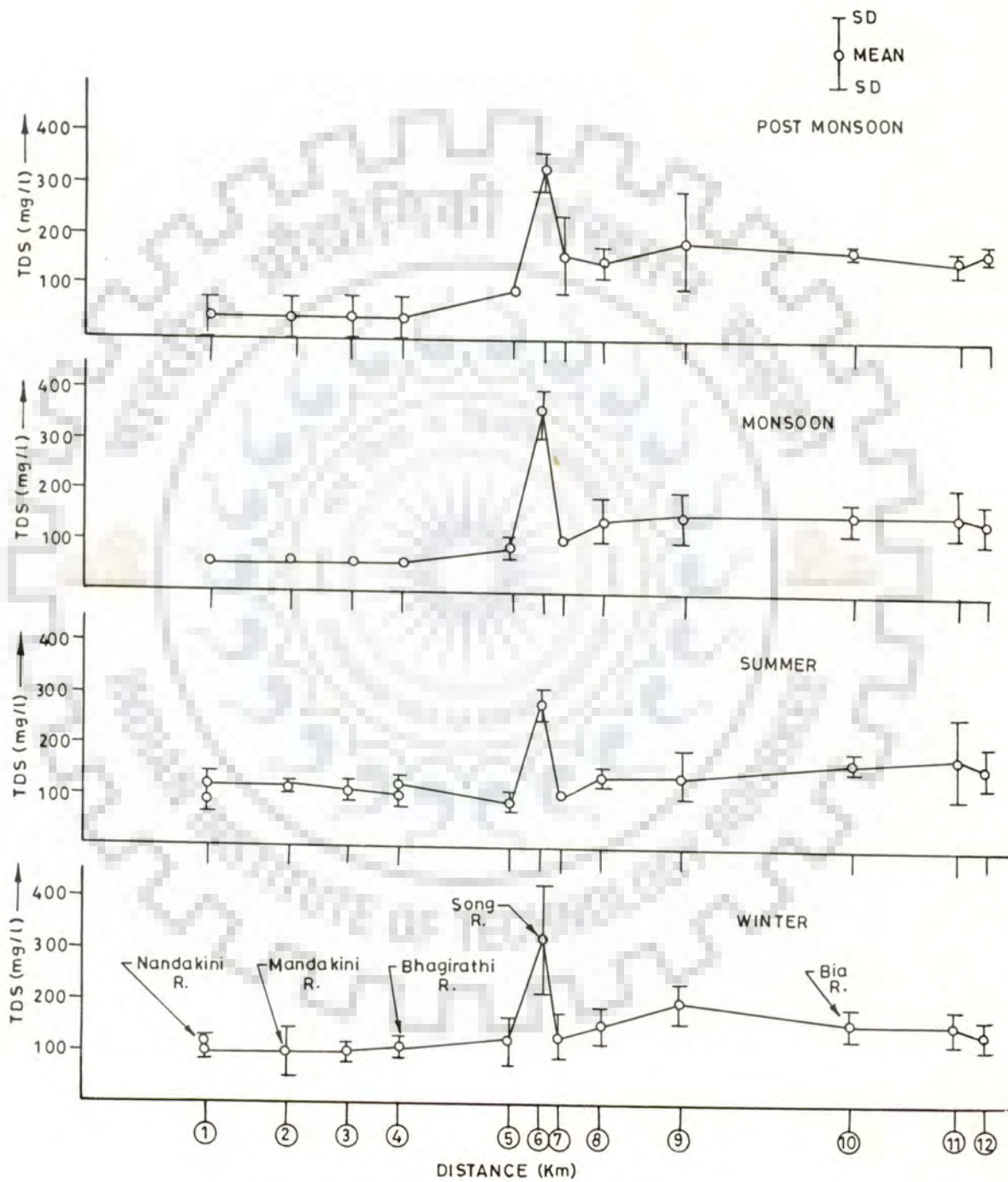


FIG. 4.7—TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS



the upper reach from Nandprayag to Rishikesh reflected the impact of various tributaries and ground water interaction. During Winter season these values exhibited an increasing trend from Nandprayag to Rishikesh by indicating the lean flow conditions of the river. It also indicated that the ground water joining Alaknanda during this period contributes some mineral content. On the otherhand, the trend was decreasing during Summer season indicating the dilution caused by the snow-fed tributaries and lesser interaction of ground water. During monsoon and post-monsoon seasons the values were almost constant between Nandprayag and Devprayag. Downstream of Rishikesh, the conductivity and total dissolved solids values showed a five fold increase, due to the addition of Song waters. This impact is clearly discernible downstream up to Rajghat Narora.

#### 4.4.5 Bicarbonates and Carbonates:

The variation in the concentration of bicarbonates and carbonates in the hilly terrain up to Rudraprayag was similar during all seasons (Fig. 4.8 and 4.9). The general range of carbonates and bicarbonates was 0.8 mg/l to 5.7 mg/l and 44 to 160 mg/l respectively. Between Rudraprayag and Devprayag the concentration decreased during monsoon season due to dilution from Bhagirathi. In the stretch between Devprayag and Rishikesh the bicarbonate concentration was same in all seasons, except a significant increase during post-monsoon. This could be related

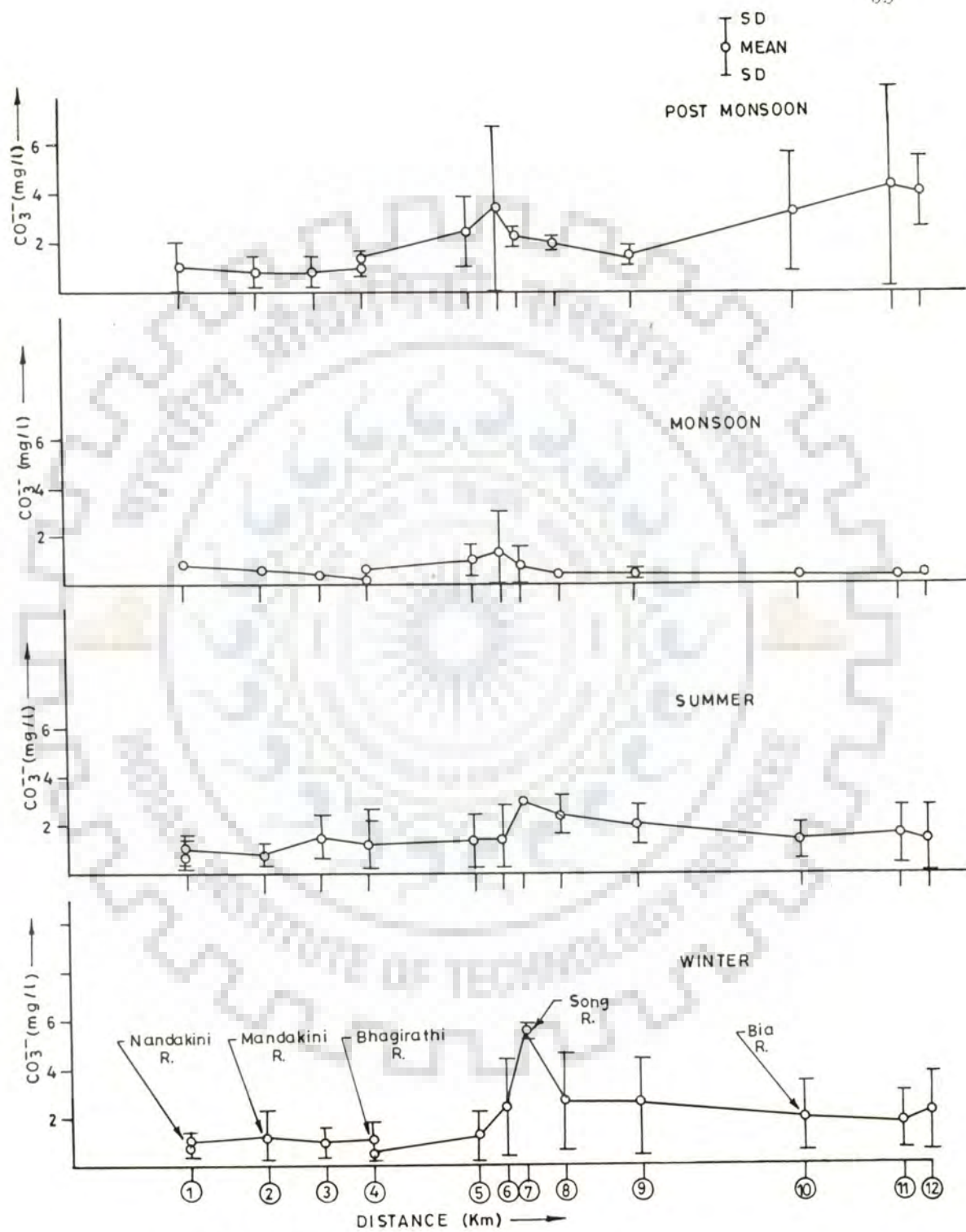


FIG. 4.8— CARBONATES (mg/l)

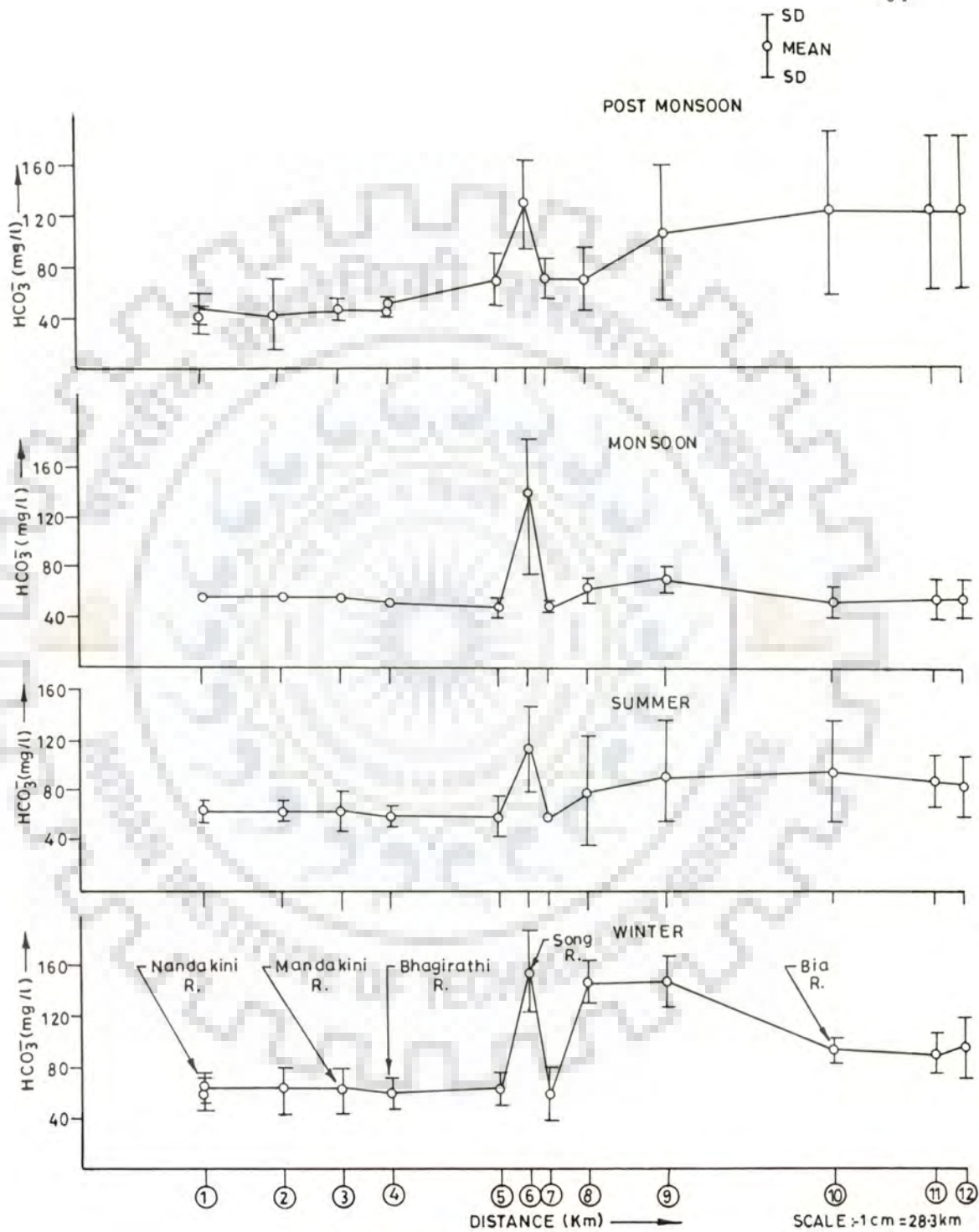


FIG. 4.9-BICARBONATES

to the accessibility of ground water to the carbonaceous shales present in the Shivalik encountered only in this sub-stretch.

In the plains downstream of Rishikesh the influence of Song discharge was notable upto Rajghat Narora.

#### 4.4.6 Chlorides:

Ganga river had low chloride concentration althrough the study area varying between 3.5 mg/l and 8.0 mg/l. The temporal and spatial variations (Fig. 4.10) were minor. Wherever an increase was encountered it was due to prominence of activities like domestic waste discharges, solid waste dumps and cremation. However, there were a few points worth mentioning. The drop in chloride content at Rudraprayag can be attributed to dilution from Mandakini which in fact carried low chlorides. The slight increase observed at Devprayag was due to the discharge of domestic effluents at Srinagar and the increase proportional to flows. The marginal increase at Rishikesh was due to the ground water interaction of Shivalik origin.

The increase at Satyanarayana, in chloride content, was due to the joining of the combined stream of IDPL effluent and Rishikesh nala to Ganga river. In the lower reach the marginal variations due to cremation activities were observed at Chandighat, Garhmukteshwar, Anupshahr and Rajghat Narora.

#### 4.4.7 Calcium and Magnesium:

The concentration and variation of calcium and magnesium in

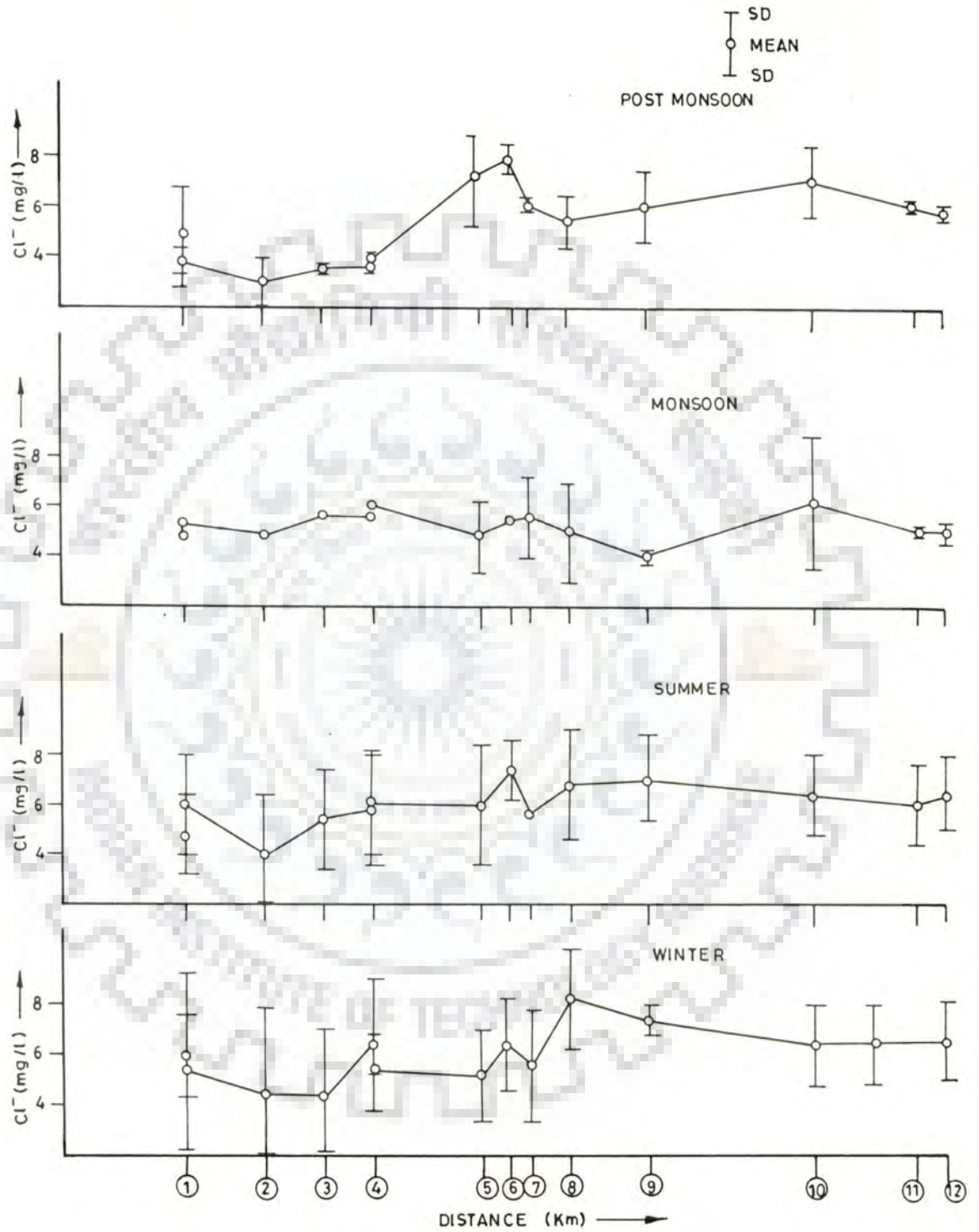


FIG. 4.10— CHLORIDES (mg/l)

mountainous reaches (18 mg/l to 22 mg/l and 4.0 mg/l to 6.5 mg/l) was lesser as compared to the plains (21.0 mg/l to 66 mg/l and 5.0 mg/l to 27.5 mg/l). From Nandprayag to Rudraprayag the calcium content was either constant or decreased in all seasons, whereas magnesium increased (Fig. 4.11 and 4.12). This trend is indicative of the presence of magnesite rocks. Between Rudraprayag and Srinagar, the calcium values increased during winter and summer seasons, and decreased during monsoon and post-monsoon seasons. On the otherhand, magnesium content decreased in all seasons. This depicts that the water joining Alaknanda river and the Alaknanda river itself drains the area in which dolomite rocks are more prominent. Between Srinagar and Devprayag, calcium values show a decreasing and magnesium values an increasing trend during Winter and Summer seasons, which also can be attributed to the presence of magnesites in the stretch.

Downstream of Rishikesh the impact of Song river was visible at Satyanarayana as in the case of other mineral parameters. The trends of calcium and magnesium were comparable with flow conditions of the river. More calcium and magnesium concentrations were observed during lean flow conditions and lesser values during run-off.

#### 4.4.8 Sulfates:

The variations in sulfate concentration was very little in the mountainous stretch (10 mg/l) pertaining to no significant

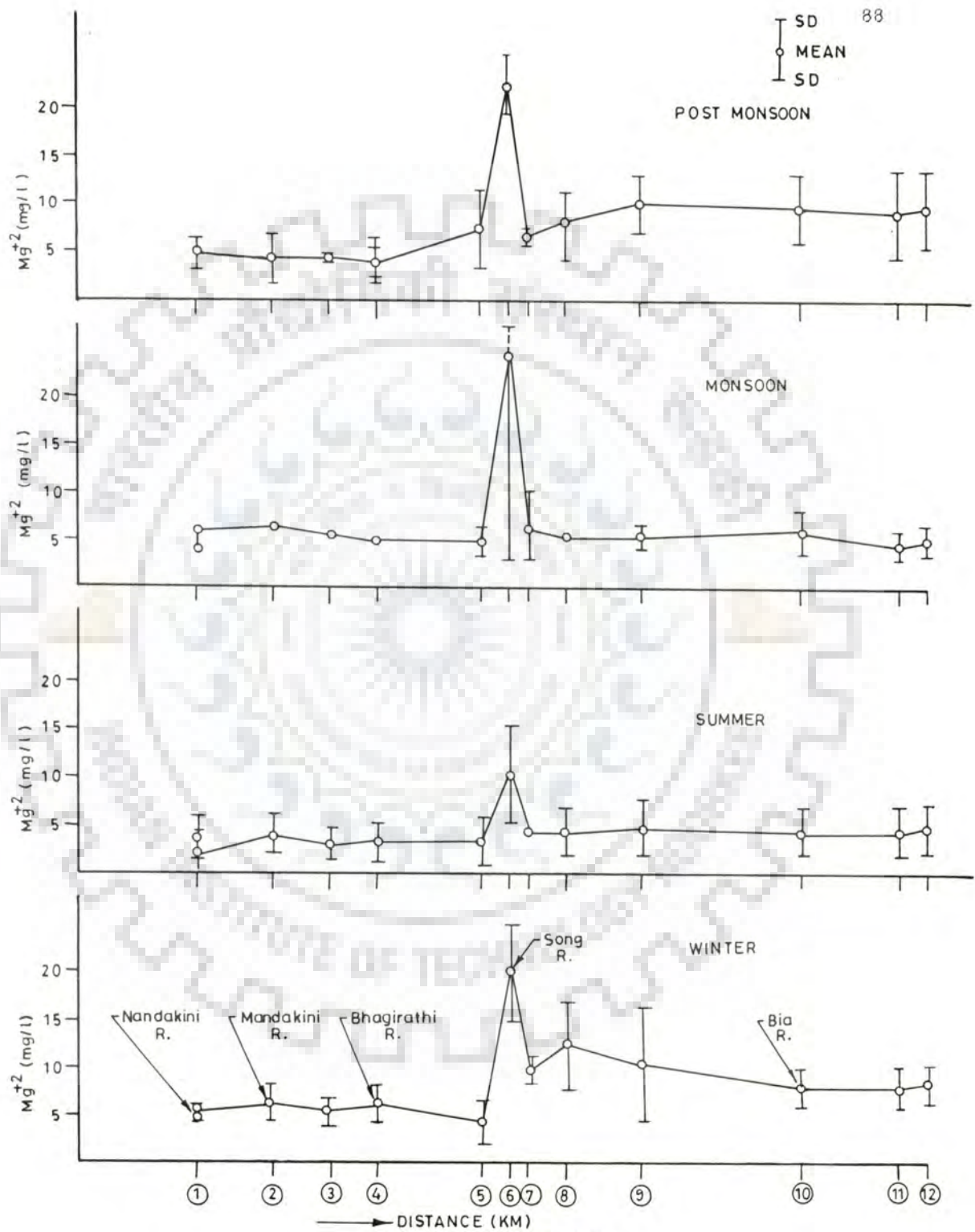


FIG. 4.11- MAGNESIUM

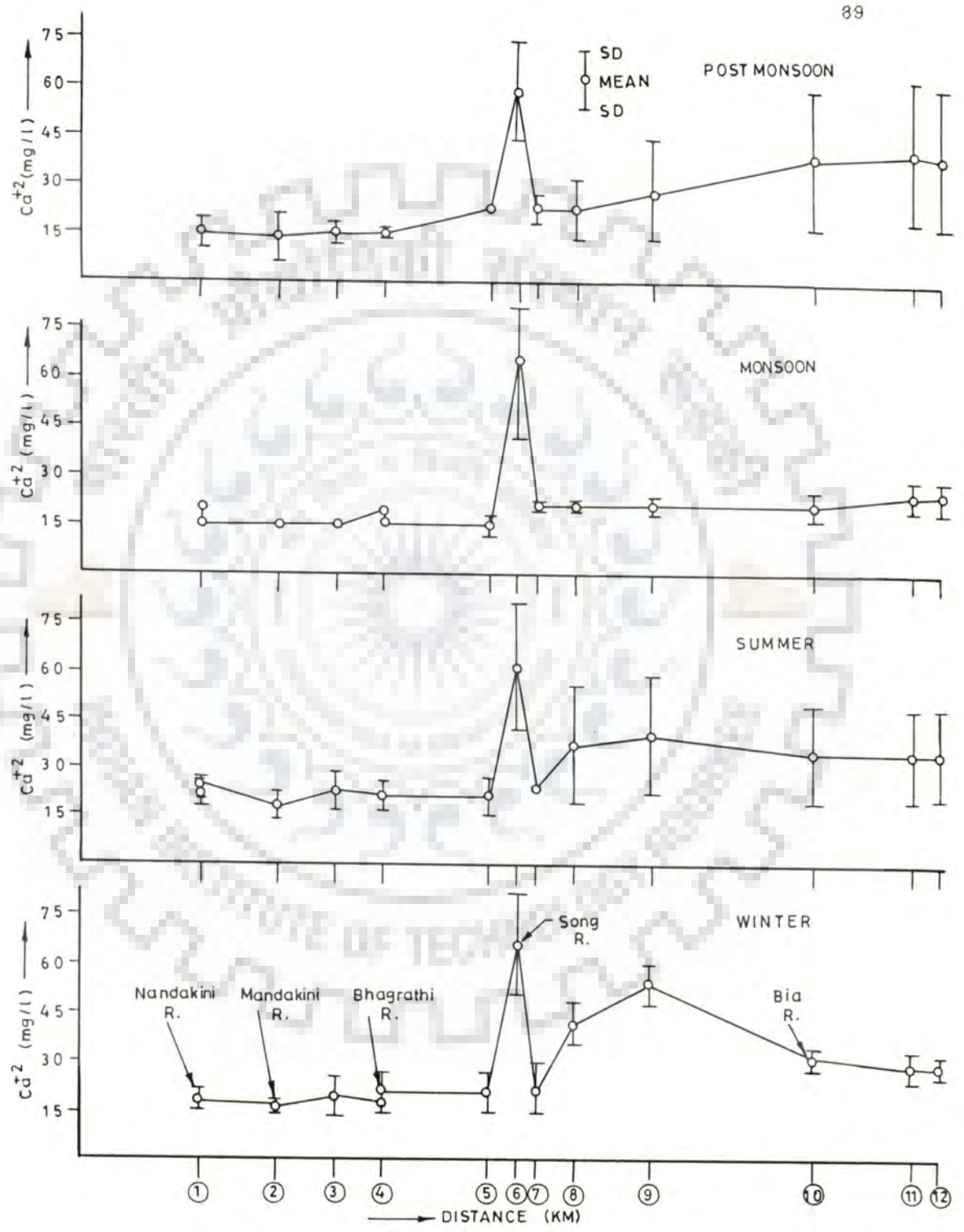


FIG. 4.12 - CALCIUM



contribution from the geology of the catchment area from Nandprayag to Rishikesh. In plains, however, the maximum values were observed at Satyanarayana (Fig. 4.13) due to the addition of Song river which drains the area rich in pyritic and phosphorite deposits. Downstream of Satyanarayana the sulfate concentration decreased due to the dilution caused by Chilla tail waters. Further downstream the sulfate concentration remained nearly constant upto Rajghat Narora.

#### 4.4.9 Sodium:

In the Upper reaches the concentration of sodium was nearly constant (Table 4.5). At Satyanarayana the concentration was maximum because of Song river confluence. Downstream of Satyanarayana high values of sodium alongwith their standard deviations indicate a prominent contribution of groundwater during lean flow months.

#### 4.4.10 Total Anions and Total Cations:

The trend of total anions and cations depicts the changes occurring in the physico chemical quality of water. From the temporal and spatial variations of these (Fig.4.14 and 4.15) one can visualize the areas of important inputs of the mineral parameters in the stretch. The trends were, however similar, indicating good balance. In the mountainous reach the variation was not of much significance, whereas, downstream of Rishikesh projects significant spatial and temporal variations. This is

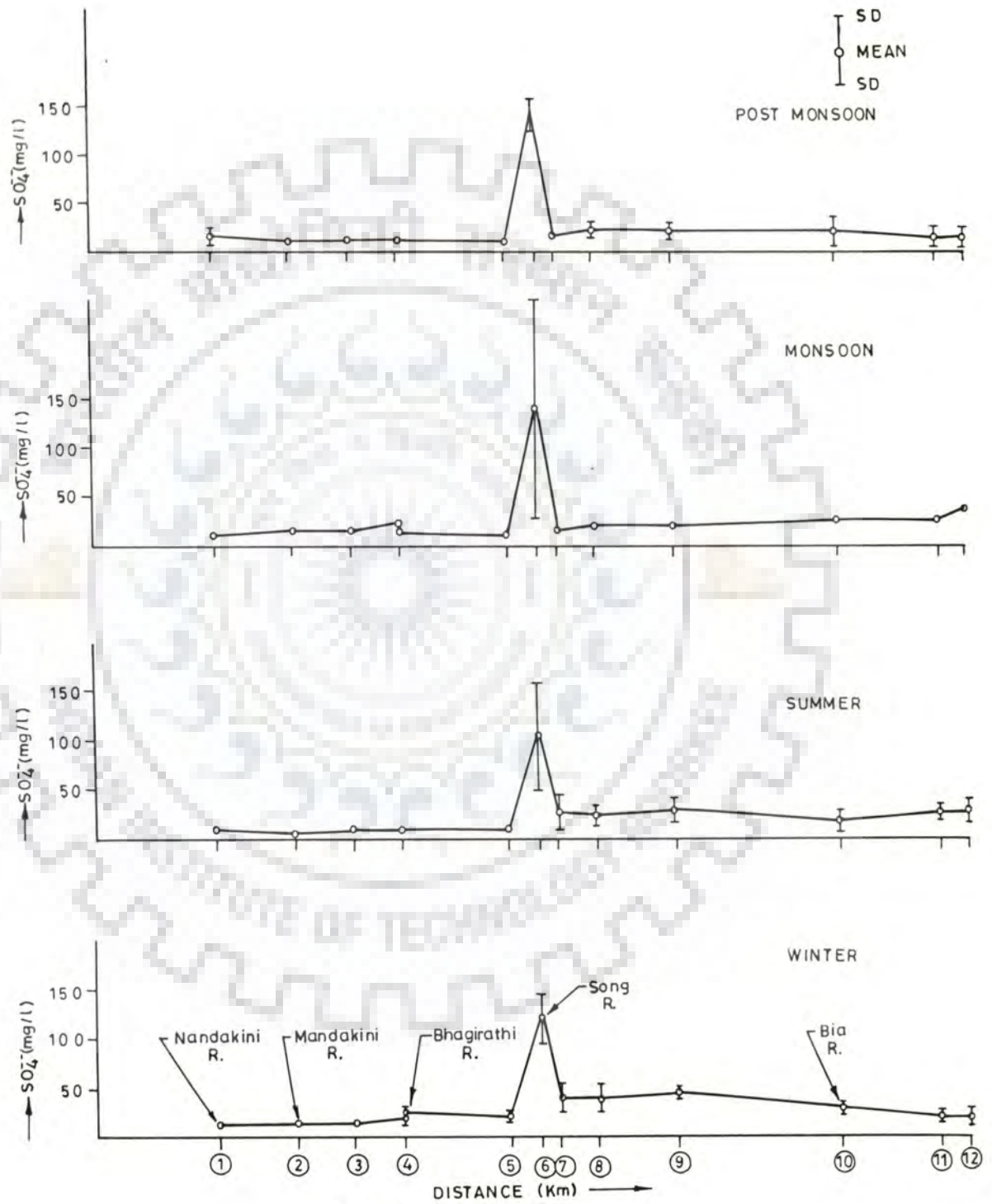


FIG. 4.13 - SULFATE

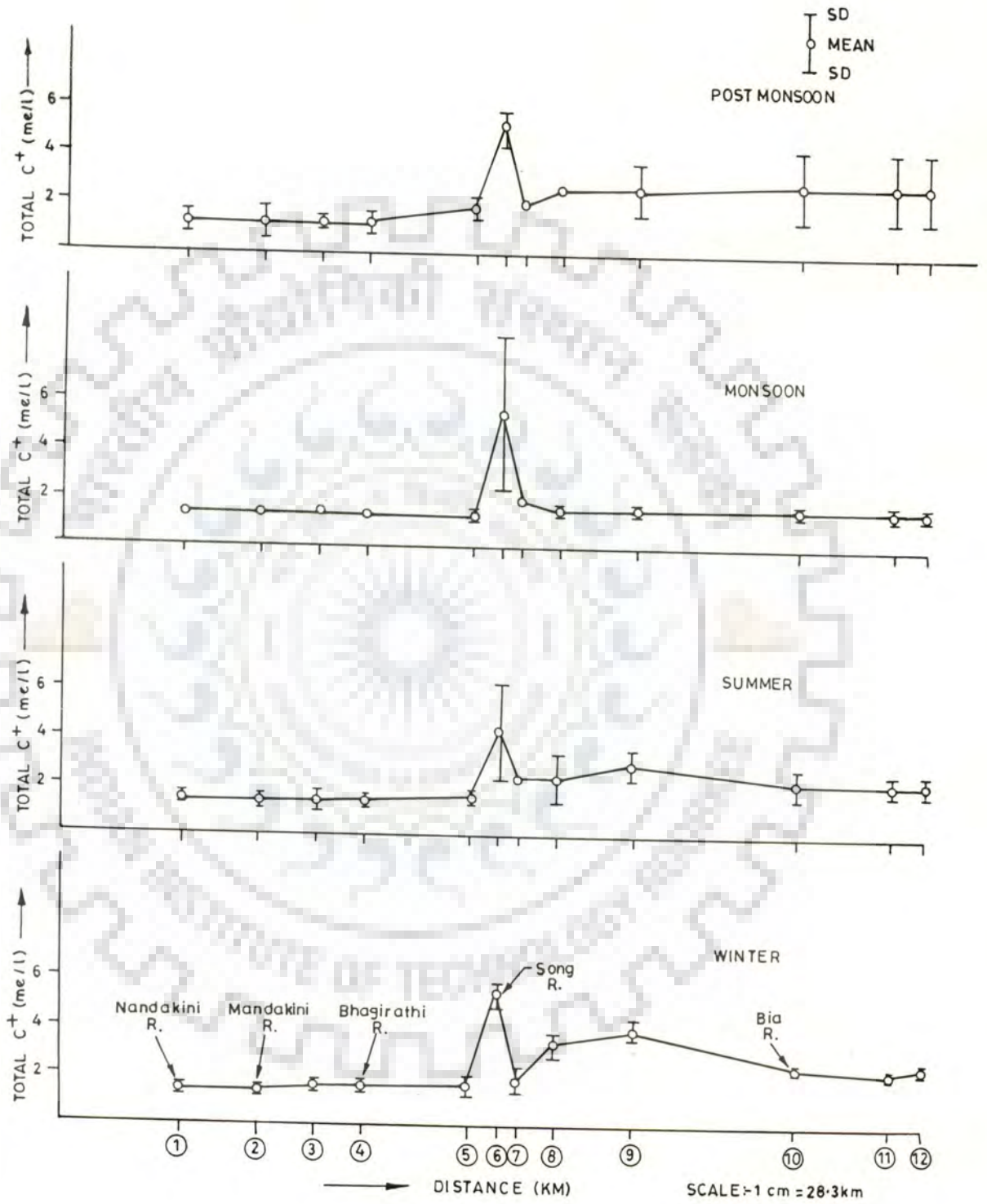


FIG. 4.14—TOTAL CATIONS

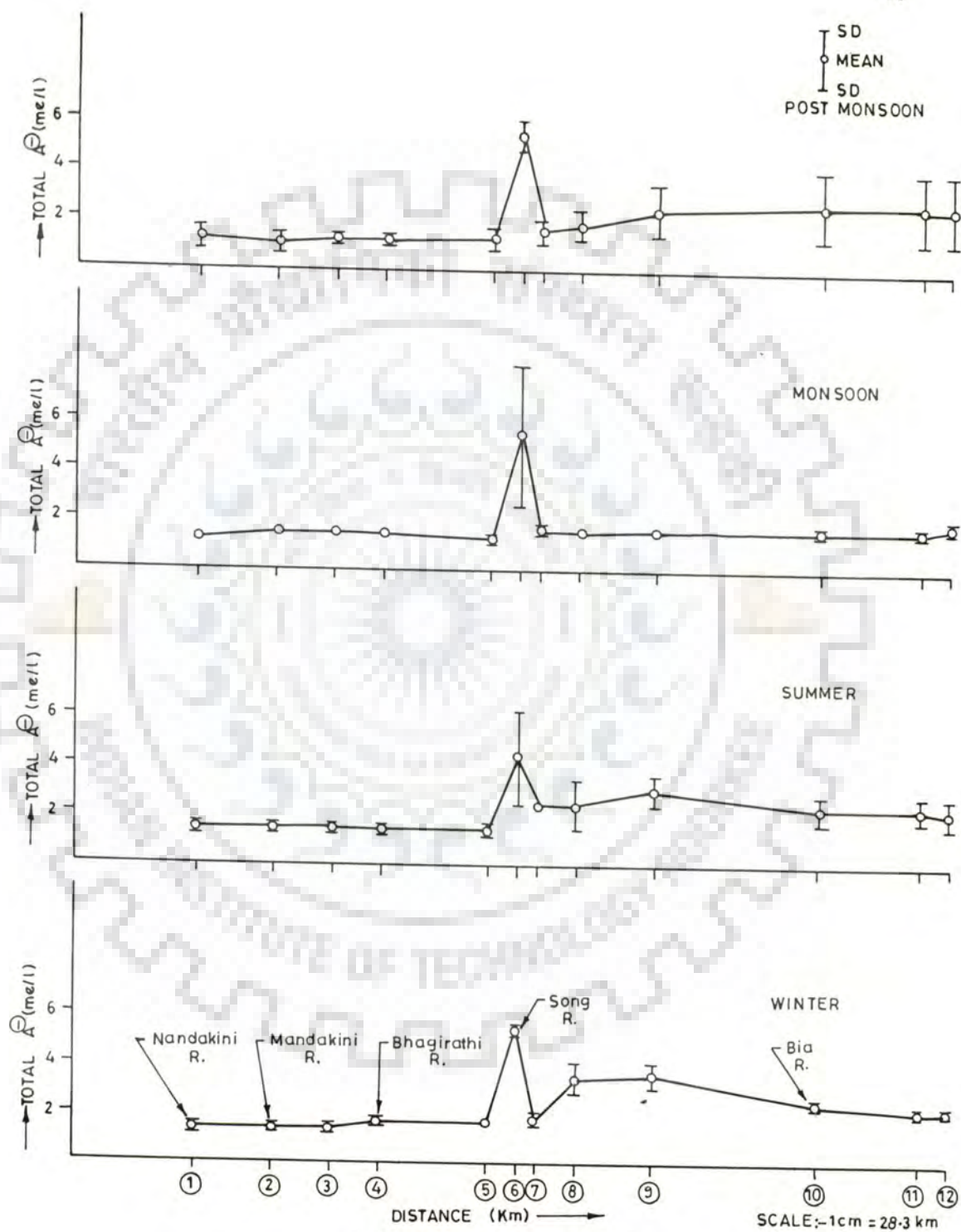


FIG. 4.15-TOTAL ANIONS

more so in the stretch between Satyanarayana and Bijnor. At Satyanarayana the increase in total cationic and anionic strength was due to the input of minerals through Song river. The increase between Balawali and Bijnor could be attributed to the ground water interaction with river and cremation on banks.

#### 4.4.11 D.O.-B.O.D.-C.O.D.:

The organic pollution in the river is of a meagre order as evident by low values of B.O.D./C.O.D. and high D.O. values throughout the stretch. The general trend (Fig. 4.5), however indicates increase in B.O.D. and C.O.D at Srinagar with consequent decrease in D.O. This is because of addition of domestic effluents in the river upstream of sampling location. Next increase in B.O.D/C.O.D was prominent at Satyanarayana where the Song river and Rishikesh sewage alongwith IDPL effluent finds its way to Ganga river. Decrease in D.O. validates this proposition.

Further increase in B.O.D/C.O.D was observed downstream of Garhmukteshwar at Anupshahr and Rajghat Narora, where point and non-point discharges of domestic effluents associated with immense human activity at the river banks contributes to the load.

A general trend of a slow decrease in D.O. also shows the impact of topographical variation along the river stretch resulting in lower velocities and turbulence downstream in

addition to the climatic activity factor.

#### 4.5 HEAVY METALS

The study of heavy metal pollution in a riverine system is important not only from hazardous point of view, but also to identify the mineralized reaches and unexplored zones. This is more so for Ganga river. The present study reports the presence/absence of eight heavy metals viz. zinc, copper, iron, cadmium, manganese, lead and nickel, which in other words constitute the mineral load of the upper Ganga reach.

No anthropogenic heavy metal pollution source has been identified in the entire stretch of Upper Ganga. The incidence seems to be only due to the geochemical cycling of rocks and soils. In general, heavy metals in Ganga riverine system have been identified both in dissolved form and in conjugation with sediments. In lean-flow seasons the dissolved form constitutes a larger fraction of the total metal, whereas, in run-off months it is the suspended particulate form which is more significant. This is apparent from the larger standard deviation of annual mean of total metal concentrations (Fig. 4.16 to Fig. 4.18 and Table 4.6 to Table 4.9). In the mountainous stretch, the mineralized zones have been identified as mentioned in earlier chapters. Thus an increase in the dissolved metal concentration of these metals in any particular reach can, in all proximity, be attributed to the presence of unidentified mineralized zones.

TABLE 4.6 HEAVY METAL CONCENTRATION IN GANGA RIVER  
(Cadmium and Manganese)

S.No.	STATIONS	CADMIUM ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )				MANGANESE ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total		Dissolved		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	NANDPRAYAG B/C	121.0	95.0	40.1	21.0	10.7	13.6	1.8	4.0
2.	NANDPRAYAG A/C	105.0	46.0	60.2	60.0	12.7	9.3	5.9	8.1
3.	RUDRAPRAYAG	91.4	30.3	69.3	54.4	6.0	5.9	2.6	5.8
4.	SRINAGAR	128.8	85.8	58.9	28.6	11.3	15.4	7.8	8.8
5.	DEVPRAYAG B/C	103.9	78.6	51.3	30.4	15.6	15.6	3.1	4.3
6.	DEVPRAYAG A/C	110.0	72.1	67.5	27.2	7.4	7.1	4.8	7.6
7.	RISHIKESH	86.5	29.7	58.5	35.4	67.0	12.0	2.8	3.2
8.	SATYANARAYANA	93.2	54.1	82.6	102.0	19.3	15.9	4.6	5.7
9.	BALAWALI	123.9	54.1	100.8	67.6	35.1	44.1	14.1	13.5
10.	BIJNOR	104.0	54.8	60.7	50.0	25.3	16.3	8.1	8.9
11.	GARHMUKTESHWAR	135.0	43.6	92.0	48.3	17.3	22.9	8.1	9.1
12.	ANUPSHAHR	149.7	53.4	101.9	59.8	30.1	48.4	7.9	9.1
13.	RAJGHAT NARORA	113.5	38.7	56.9	35.3	26.1	21.2	6.8	9.0

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence

TABLE 4.7 HEAVY METAL CONCENTRATION IN GANGA RIVER  
(Iron and Copper)

S.No.	STATIONS	IRON				COPPER ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total(mg/l)		Diss.( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	NANDPRAYAG B/C	4.40	9.43	15.7	15.7	15.8	10.50	7.7	3.10
2.	NANDPRAYAG A/C	4.00	8.80	270.4	30.6	15.0	9.10	6.2	5.60
3.	RUDRAPRAYAG	1.30	1.63	148.1	106.0	12.8	9.00	5.4	5.00
4.	SRINAGAR	4.30	9.30	85.0	37.4	12.2	8.10	7.4	3.80
5.	DEVPRAYAG B/C	2.30	3.40	81.7	64.8	15.9	13.10	8.8	4.60
6.	DEVPRAYAG A/C	2.00	2.90	63.1	112.3	13.4	14.30	11.2	5.70
7.	RISHIKESH	3.50	4.60	112.3	52.1	13.8	8.40	10.4	8.60
8.	SATYANARAYANA	3.40	5.50	107.0	32.5	13.4	7.10	5.3	6.10
9.	BALAWALI	2.15	2.90	167.3	136.0	14.3	7.90	7.6	8.02
10.	BIJNOR	4.60	6.02	162.6	29.0	16.5	8.01	4.8	0.80
11.	GARHMUKTESHWAR	8.50	13.00	111.8	95.0	19.3	18.70	5.6	1.10
12.	ANUPSHAHR	5.00	6.90	228.3	165.3	19.5	18.50	4.4	3.20
13.	RAJGHAT NARORA	11.00	18.90	132.4	111.2	20.2	11.20	10.3	8.00

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence



TABLE 4.8 HEAVY METAL CONCENTRATION IN GANGA RIVER  
(Lead and Nickel)

S.No.	STATIONS	LEAD				NICKEL			
		Total(ppb)		Dis.(ppb)		Total(ppb)		Dis.(ppb)	
1.	NANDPRAYAG B/C	86.0	86.0	24.0	25.0	27.0	31.0	20.0	18.0
2.	NANDPRAYAG A/C	82.0	80.0	24.0	22.0	23.0	34.0	12.0	10.0
3.	RUDRAPRAYAG	82.0	100.0	32.0	30.0	26.0	18.0	14.0	12.0
4.	SRINAGAR	66.0	62.0	14.0	22.0	20.0	17.0	9.0	13.0
5.	DEVPRAYAG B/C	80.0	132.0	28.0	22.0	35.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
6.	DEVPRAYAG A/C	68.0	102.0	34.0	36.0	37.0	21.0	31.0	24.0
7.	RISHIKESH	66.0	44.0	30.0	22.0	26.0	17.0	28.0	50.0
8.	SATYANARAYANA	100.0	72.0	19.0	24.0	19.0	10.0	13.0	12.0
9.	BALAWALI	100.0	135.0	38.0	32.0	21.0	20.0	18.0	27.0
10.	BIJNOR	110.0	70.0	46.0	40.0	16.0	17.0	21.0	5.0
11.	GARHMUKTESHWAR	122.0	166.0	50.0	32.0	22.0	32.0	20.0	15.0
12.	ANUPSHAHR	112.0	100.0	40.0	18.0	18.0	22.0	14.0	10.0
13.	RAJGHAT NARORA	106.0	92.0	38.0	38.0	31.0	26.0	28.0	21.0

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence

TABLE 4.9 HEAVY METAL CONCENTRATION IN GANGA RIVER  
(Zinc and Cobalt)

S.No.	STATIONS	ZINC				COBALT			
		Total(ppb)		Dis.(ppb)		Total(ppb)		Dis.(ppb)	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	NANDPRAYAG B/C	121.0	95.0	40.1	21.0	10.7	13.6	1.8	4.0
2.	NANDPRAYAG A/C	105.0	46.0	60.2	60.0	12.7	9.3	5.9	8.1
3.	RUDRAPRAYAG	91.4	30.3	69.3	54.4	6.0	5.9	2.6	5.8
4.	SRINAGAR	128.8	85.8	58.9	28.6	11.3	15.4	7.8	8.8
5.	DEVPRAYAG B/C	103.9	78.6	51.3	30.4	15.6	15.6	3.1	4.3
6.	DEVPRAYAG A/C	110.0	72.1	67.5	27.2	7.4	7.1	4.8	7.6
7.	RISHIKESH	86.5	29.7	58.5	35.4	67.0	12.0	2.8	3.2
8.	SATYANARAYANA	93.2	54.1	82.6	102.0	19.3	15.9	4.6	5.7
9.	BALAWALI	123.9	54.1	100.8	67.6	35.1	44.1	14.1	13.5
10.	BIJNOR	104.0	54.8	60.7	50.0	25.3	16.3	8.1	8.9
11.	GARHMUKTESHWAR	135.0	43.6	92.0	48.3	17.3	22.9	8.1	9.1
12.	ANUPSHAHR	149.7	53.4	101.9	59.8	30.1	48.4	7.9	9.1
13.	RAJGHAT NARORA	113.5	38.7	56.9	35.3	26.1	21.2	6.8	9.0

B/C = Before confluence  
A/C = After confluence

The highway from Rishikesh to Badrinath runs almost along the course of the river and road construction, development and maintenance continue throughout the year accompanied by blasting, cutting and dumping of rock fragments to the river at many places. This accelerate weathering and entry of heavy metals into the river.

As the hill slopes of Alaknanda valley are significant, during monsoon season, huge amounts of soil from hills and adjoining areas is carried to the river during heavy downpour, adding to the suspended heavy metal load in the river. (Plate-8).

In the lower reach i.e. Rishikesh to Rajghat Narora, the heavy metals seem to have been gained from the geochemical cycling of soil and ground water recharge during the prolonged lean flow season.

#### 4.5.1 Impact of Major Tributaries:

Four major tributaries namely Nandakini, Mandakini, Bhagirathi and Song were also studied for the impact of heavy metal occurrence in Ganga river. The mean concentrations in these tributaries are shown in Table 4.10 and 4.11. Nandakini, Mandakini, Bhagirathi and Alaknanda flow through a catchment of similar geological formations, whereas, Song passes through Doon Valley known for its limestone deposits. The difference in the total and dissolved metal concentration in each is governed by



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PLATE-8

TABLE 4.10 TOTAL METAL IN TRIBUTARIES BEFORE CONFLUENCE

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
COPPER	11.5	8.5	11.9	7.6	20.4	34.1	22.8	33.2
IRON (ppm)	0.3	0.3	3.5	6.7	1.1	0.7	1.1	1.9
CADMIUM	8.5	6.3	3.4	4.6	4.0	2.7	13.3	12.2
COBALT	10.4	9.8	18.3	18.7	17.4	17.4	12.8	12.0
LEAD	19.4	120.3	56.3	40.4	78.7	55.5	61.1	56.5
MANGANESE	34.7	42.6	45.9	57.0	38.0	33.6	182.8	102.2
NICKEL	23.8	24.6	35.2	25.4	31.0	26.9	17.2	8.7
ZINC	88.8	39.0	117.6	106.1	107.0	59.1	58.9	32.5

TABLE 4.11 DISSOLVED METAL IN TRIBUTARIES BEFORE CONFLUENCE

Metal (ppb) [except iron]	NANDAKINI		MANDAKINI		BHAGIRATHI		SONG	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
COPPER	6.2	5.6	3.8	6.1	7.8	7.6	17.8	29.8
IRON (ppm)	66.0	37.4	108.2	57.8	69.7	38.4	0.9	1.7
CADMIUM	7.4	7.1	2.6	3.6	5.0	1.6	11.3	10.4
COBALT	2.8	5.2	8.9	10.2	0.0	-	10.0	9.7
LEAD	40.4	53.4	31.2	21.6	33.3	25.9	48.4	48.8
MANGANESE	15.9	19.5	14.2	17.6	5.6	4.5	165.2	95.1
NICKEL	7.5	10.4	13.0	13.0	16.0	23.6	13.3	6.6
ZINC	72.1	98.4	46.6	39.0	64.4	55.4	50.0	29.3

the extent of physical erosion and chemical leaching in the stretch respectively. In general, the dissolved fraction and total metal carried by Song clearly indicated that chemical leaching is predominant in Song river catchment.

Nandakini carries lead and cadmium predominantly as compared to other glacier fed tributaries. Mandakini adds iron, cobalt, manganese, nickel and zinc, whereas Bhagirathi carries copper, cobalt, nickel and zinc. Song adds copper, cadmium and manganese to Ganga river. In general, metal in suspended form is added more by Bhagirathi as compared to other tributaries.

#### 4.5.2 Trends of Heavy Metals in the Upper Ganga Reach:

The changes in heavy metal concentrations both in dissolved and total forms are presented in Table 4.6 to Table 4.9 and Fig. 4.16 to Fig.4.18.

In the stretch between Nandprayag and Rudraprayag the dissolved lead values increase slightly with total lead remaining the same implying a reduction in suspended load. The other metals like nickel, manganese, zinc are added in the dissolved form. This implies that the geological formations are rich in nickel, manganese, zinc, cadmium and lead. The decrease in copper, cobalt and iron with the insignificant addition of metals in suspended form indicates lesser extent of physical erosion in the stretch.

The stretch between Rudraprayag and Srinagar projects the

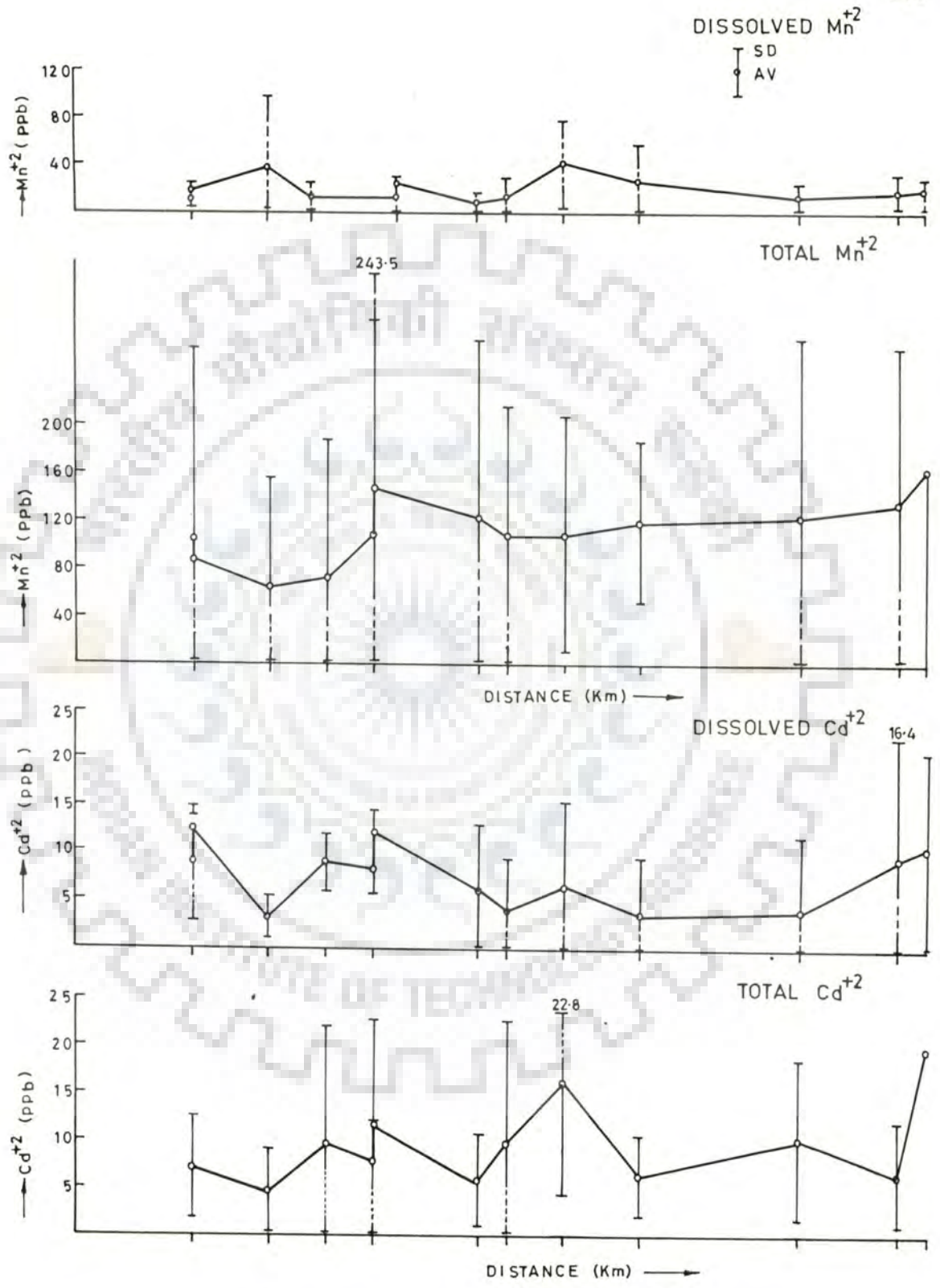


FIG 4.16

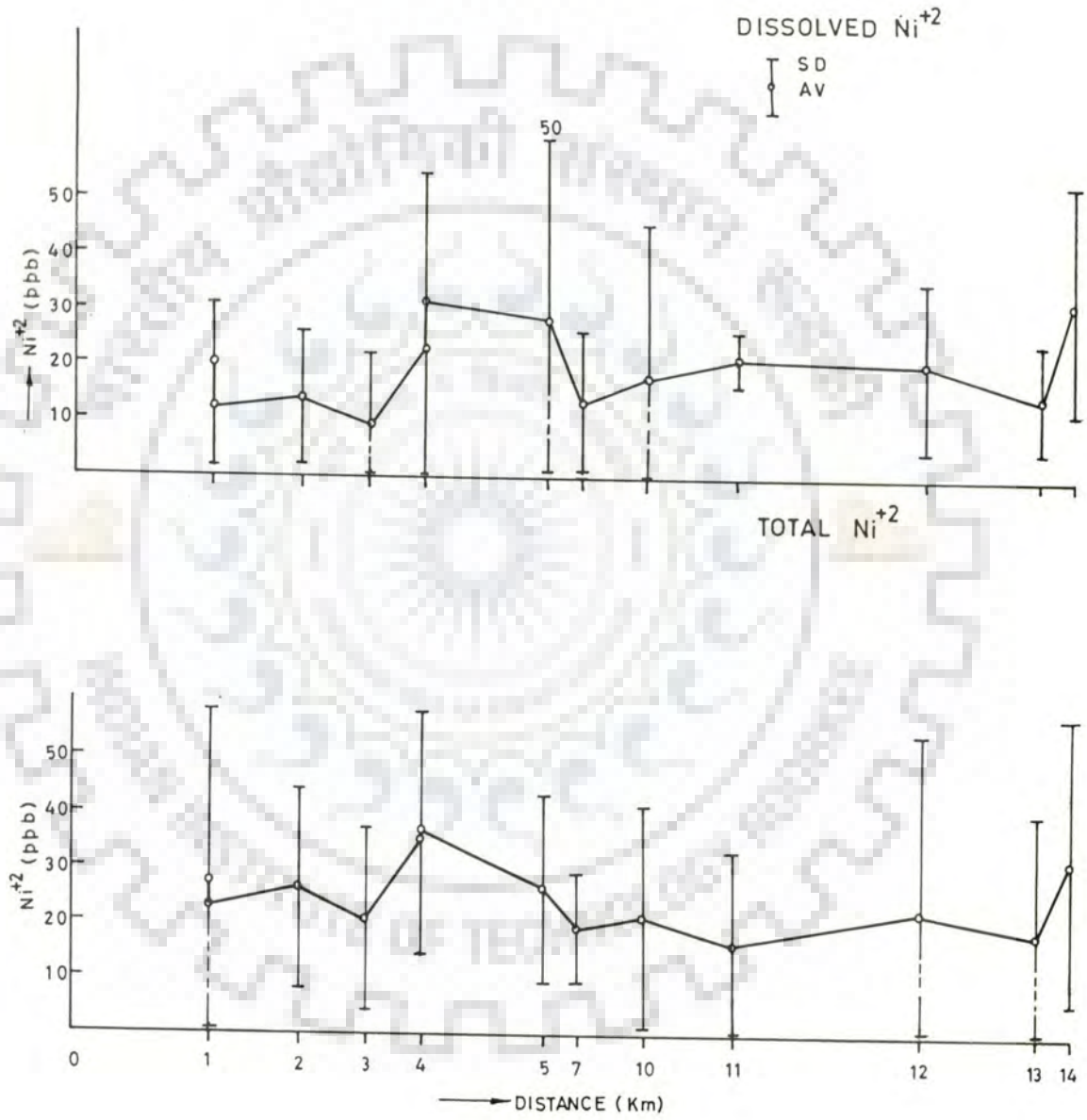
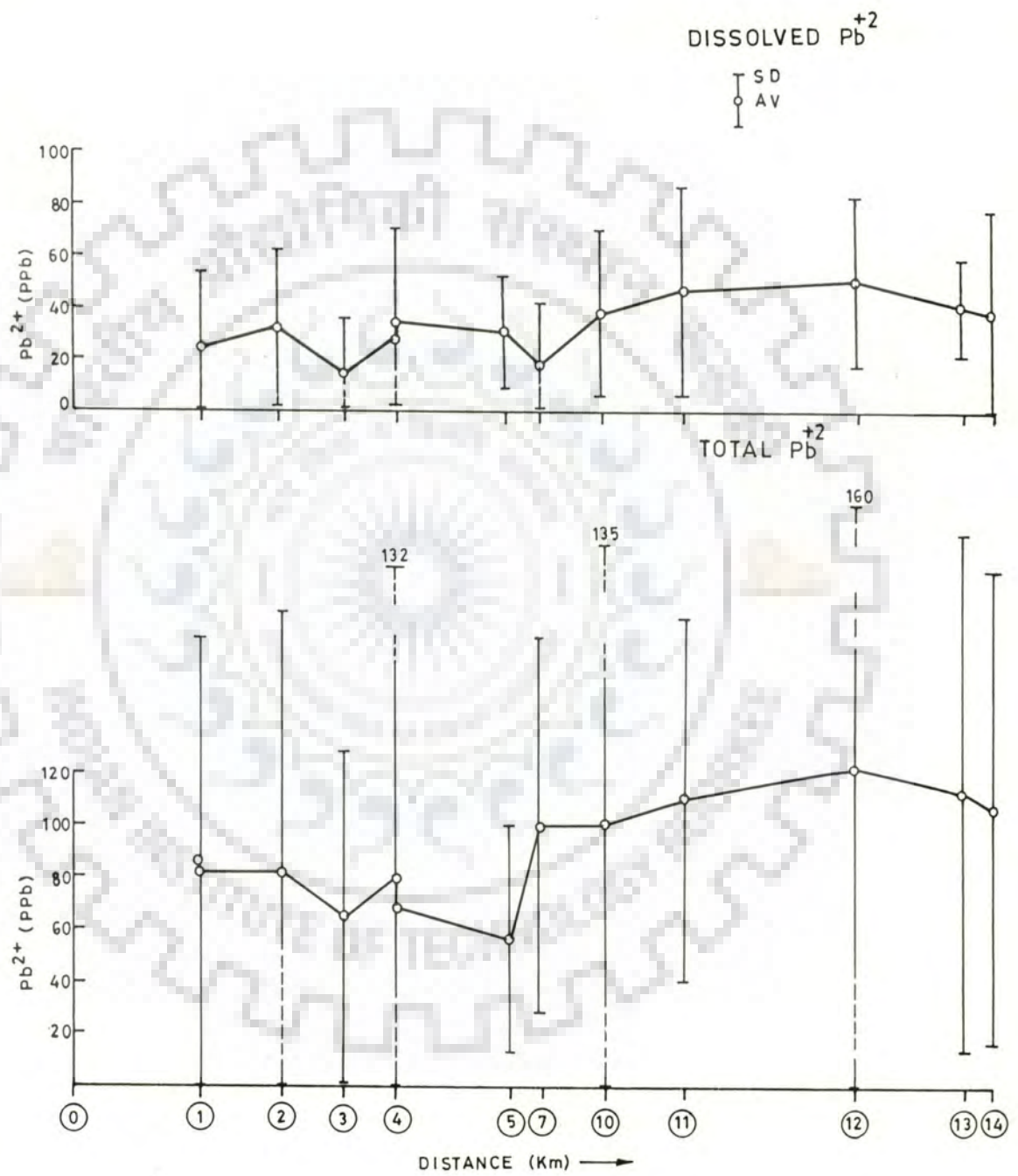


FIG. 4.17





**FIG 4.18**

variable behavior of metals. Some metals like iron, cobalt, zinc, lead, nickel, manganese are added in suspended form, whereas, cadmium and copper in dissolved form. This type of variation can be attributed to relatively significant extent of physical erosion taking place and the sulfide mineralization in the stretch. The increase in dissolved cadmium and dissolved cobalt are also indicative of chemical weathering of the region.

In the stretch between Srinagar and Devprayag the prominence of physical erosion is visible. Copper, lead and nickel are added in both forms and cobalt, manganese are added predominantly in the form of suspended particulates.

The stretch between Devprayag and Rishikesh also show an increase in concentrations of copper, cobalt and iron in suspended form. The concentrations of lead, nickel, manganese, zinc and cadmium are less indicating the lesser extent of chemical weathering.

In plains, the stretch between Rishikesh and Balawali is important in view of river flow and types of inputs and withdrawals. A combined effect of Song river and ground water (in lean flow months) is visible in this stretch. Cadmium, nickel, manganese and lead are added in dissolved form and copper, cobalt and zinc in suspended form. Since, iron does not show any variation, there is no significant input in this region. The addition of suspended metal is attributed to the erosion of

agricultural soil during monsoon months.

The stretch between Balawali and Bijnor is prominently indicative of ground water interaction with river and agricultural run-off. Due to this, manganese, iron and copper are added in suspended form whereas lead and nickel in dissolved form. Cadmium, cobalt and zinc show similar values with minor variations.

The region between Garhmukteshwar and Rajghat Narora exhibits a decrease in the lead, cobalt and zinc metals, whereas, copper, cadmium, iron, manganese and nickel show an increase, mostly in suspended forms. It is difficult to attribute this behavior to any other activity than to the meeting of non-point agricultural run-off, domestic effluents and contamination of cremation related activities.

#### 4.6 PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS

The purpose of Principal Component Analysis (PCA) in general, is to interpret the structure within the variance-covariance matrix of a multivariate data collection. The technique uses extraction of eigen values and eigen vectors from the matrix of correlations. PCA is commonly regarded as a deep and mysterious methodology of great complexity. Analysts are sharply divided on the topic, both as to the validity and the utility of the technique. Nevertheless, it is one of the most widely used multivariate procedures and extends a beguiling

promise to experimenters faced with a welter of complex data and little insight into the structure of the data. Sometimes it confirms the temporal and spatial variations of the parameters, besides providing additional information.

The following terms are used in Principal Component Analysis (PCA):

(i) Mean: Mean is the arithmetic average of sample population and is expressed as

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$$

$X_i$  = Random sample from normal distribution whose mean is  $\bar{X}$

(ii) Variance: Variance is defined as the average squared deviation of all possible deviations from the population mean and can be expressed mathematically as,

$$S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n}$$

and the square root of the variation ( $S^2$ ) is termed as the standard deviation and is expressed as,

$$S = \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n} \right\}^{-2}$$

(iii) Covariance: The variables measured on the same observational unit tend to change together in same manner. Because of their dependency, some measure of their mutual interaction is needed. This measure is termed as covariance which, in other words, is the joint variances of two variables about their common mean.

(iv) **Correlation Coefficient:** For determining the degree of interaction between variables, correlation coefficient is used. It is the ratio of the covariance of two variables to the product of their standard deviations and can be expressed as,

$$r_{ij} = \frac{COV_{ij}}{S_i S_j}$$

where  $r_{ij}$  is the correlation coefficient of the variable  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $S_i$  and  $S_j$  are standard deviations of the variables  $i$  and  $j$  and  $COV_{ij}$  is the covariance of these variables.

Correlation coefficient is a unitless number whose values ranges from +1 to -1. The positive sign indicates a direct relation between two variables, whereas, the negative sign indicates that the two variables are inversely correlated.

(v) **Eigen Values and Eigen Vectors:** PCA mainly consists the finding of the Principal Components which are nothing more than the eigen vectors of a variance-covariance matrix. Eigen values are the length of various axes of the  $m$ -dimensional ellipsoid and eigen vectors are the orientation of the axes of the ellipsoid. PCA is mainly concerned with the finding of these axes and measuring their magnitude. If  $m$  variables of data are taken, a  $m \times m$  matrix of variance-covariance matrix will be computed and  $m$  eigen values and  $m$  eigen vectors can be computed.

(vi) **Principal Components:** Principal Components are the eigen vectors of variance-covariance matrix. If a number of variables are measured on a set of samples then a linear transformation of these variables will yield new variables. These new variables are called as Principal Components which are independent of each other and account for as much total variation as possible. This process of computation is called as Principal Component Analysis (PCA).

#### 4.6.1 PCA in the Present Study:

In the present study PCA was resorted to the following objectives by using the physico chemical analysis data.

- to classify the Ganga river into mineralized and non-mineralized zones
- to find out the dominating variables at different locations
- to evaluate the validity of the sampling net work and frequency

Besides the above objectives the PCA is also expected to yield the correlations between the variables, which in other words, helps in identifying the nature of the sources in a broad sense w.r.t. the mineralization at and around a location.

##### 4.6.1.1 Procedures Followed:

The data of 19 variables of 7 observations (months) at 11 locations is organized in 3 matrix types in input files. The

first type of matrix contains the data of  $i$ th parameter of  $m$  observations (7 months) at  $n$  locations (11 stations). The input file of total dissolved solids is presented as Appendix-1 as an example. The second type of matrix contains the data of  $i$  variables of  $m$  observations at  $n$ th location. The variables included were  $p^H$ , total dissolved solids, conductivity, bicarbonates, carbonates, chlorides, sulfate, calcium, magnesium, sodium, iron, zinc, lead, cadmium, manganese, nickel, cobalt and copper. To illustrate the input file the data at Nandprayag is given as Appendix-2. The third type of matrix contains the data of  $i$  variables at  $n$  locations during  $m$ th observation and input file for the month of Dec.1985 is presented in Appendix-3.

The Principal Components are computed on HP 9000/560 using Davis's (1973) computer program. The flow chart is presented in Fig. 4.19 and the program is given in Appendix-4.

The first line in the input file gives the number of columns ( $n$ , the observations) and the number of rows ( $m$ , the variables). The second line states the computation procedures viz. standardization.

In the computation of PCA, the standardization plays a key role. The standardization consists of transforming a data set so that it has a mean of zero and variance (or SD) of one, by subtracting the mean of the data set from each observation and dividing it by the SD. In this way, the SD of each data set

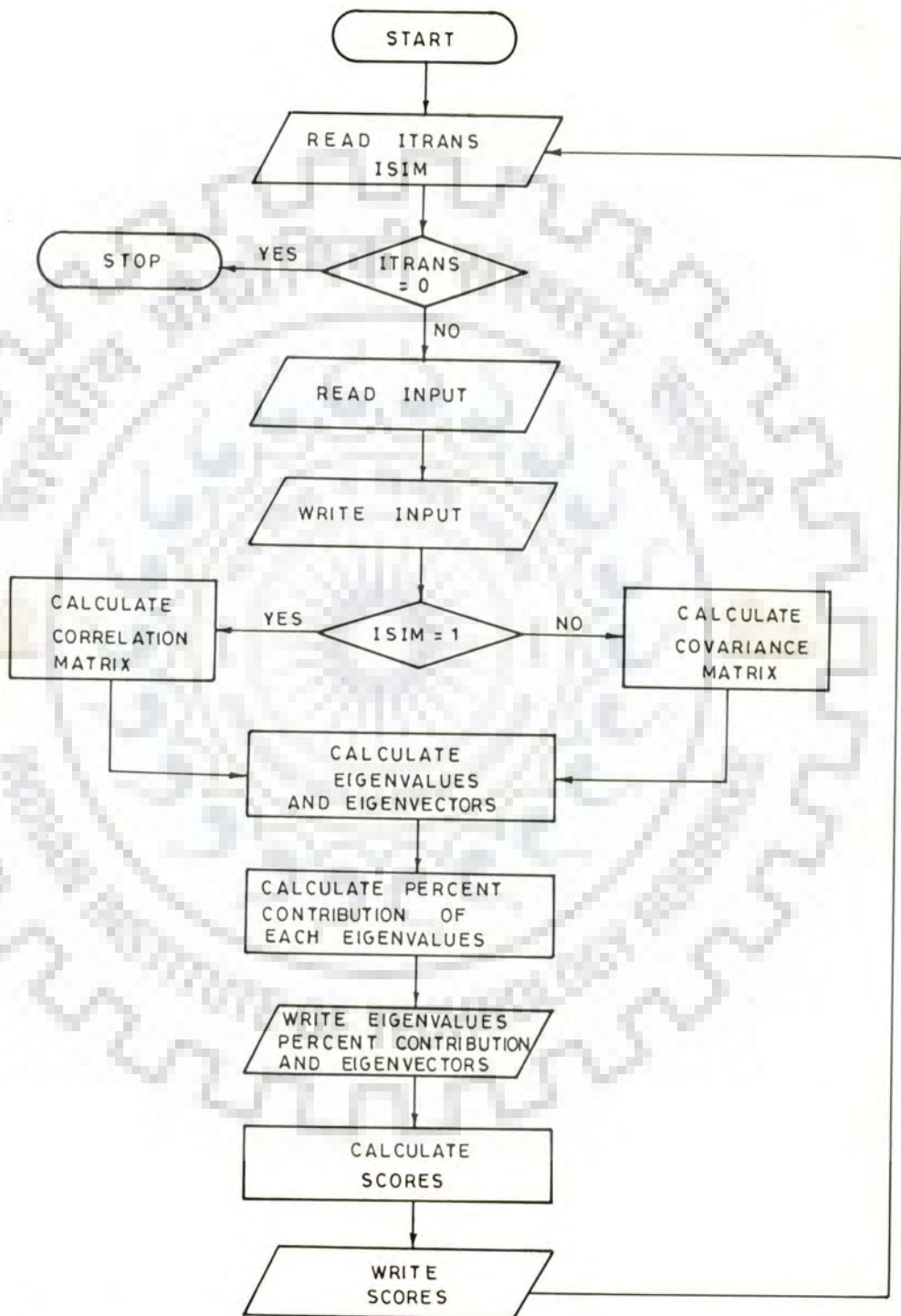


FIG. 4-19—FLOWCHART OF PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS



becomes one as well, and the correlation is equal to the covariance.

The Principal Components contributing upto 95% are considered for further interpretations. In general, the variables that constitute the major Principal Components are identified from the eigen vectors by fixing a cut-off limit and this limit is subjective and as such no clear guidelines are available in literature to decide this limit. In the present study, the cut-off limit for eigen vectors is kept as 0.3 and the variables which are yielding the eigen vectors above 0.3 are only considered.

#### 4.6.2 Interpretations of PCA:

##### 4.6.2.1 Classification of Ganga River in the Study Area:

To classify the Ganga river between Nandprayag and Rajghat Narora into mineralized and un-mineralized zones, PCA is performed on  $m$  observations of  $i$ th parameter at  $n$  locations (Appendix-1). Table 4.12 illustrates the significant sampling locations with respect to 15 parameters which is clearly indicative of the significance of lower stretch locations (Satyanarayana to Rajghat Narora) as compared to the locations in hilly terrain (Nandaprayag to Rishikesh). The percentage contribution of locations upto four Principal Components are presented in Table 4.13 and it can be observed that the locations of lower reach are contributing the first two Principal

Table 4.12 SIGNIFICANT STATIONS FOR PARAMETERS

PARAMETERS	STATIONS										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1. Conductivity	*	*				*	*	*	*		
2. Total dissolved solids	*	*			*	*		*	*		
3. Bicarbonates					*	*	*	*		*	*
4. Carbonates					*	*	*	*	*	*	*
5. Chlorides	*	*	*		*		*		*	*	
6. Calcium						*	*	*	*	*	*
7. Magnesium					*	*	*	*		*	
8. Iron			*	*					*	*	*
9. Zinc			*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*
10. Lead	*		*				*		*		*
11. Cadmium			*	*		*	*		*		*
12. Manganese				*				*			*
13. Nickel						*			*		*
14. Cobalt						*	*		*	*	*
15. Copper	*	*		*		*		*	*		*

Stations: 1. Nandprayag ✓      6. Satyanarayana  
 2. Rudraprayag      7. Balawali  
 3. Srinagar      8. Bijnor  
 4. Devprayag      9. Garhmukteshwar  
 5. Rishikesh      10. Anupshahr  
 11. Rajghat Narora

Table 4.13 STATIONS CONTRIBUTING UPTO 4 PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS

PARAMETERS	P.C.1	P.C.2	P.C.3	P.C.4
1. Conductivity	7,8 (56.5)	1,2 (23.5)	6,8,9 (10.6)	6,9 (6.4)
2. Total dissolved solids	1,2,8 (51.7)	8 (28.9)	2,9 (12.1)	5,11 (5.0)
3. Carbonates	8,9,10, 11 (60.1)	6,7 (23.8)	6,7 (9.4)	5 (3.2)
4. Bicarbonates	6,10,11 (57.9)	8 (18.8)	7,8 (12.1)	5,6 (6.1)
5. Chloride	1,2 (60.6)	2,10 (21.0)	6,5,7 (11.5)	1,3,10 (4.6)
6. Calcium	9,10,11 (52.5)	6 (23.7)	7,8 (17.6)	8,9 (4.0)
7. Magnesium	6 (75.4)	7,8 (17.2)	5,8 (3.7)	5,10 (1.6)
8. Iron	6,9 (91.4)	4,10,11 (7.6)	-	-
9. Zinc	3,4 (50.6)	3,7,10 (19.4)	6,8,11 (16.9)	6,9 (8.8)
10. Lead	7,9 (92.0)	6,5 (5.6)	-	-
11. Cadmium	7,11 (59.2)	6,5 (21.9)	3,6 (9.8)	4,9 (5.7)
12. Manganese	4,11 (94.1)	8 (2.6)	-	-
13. Nickel	6 (65.7)	11 (19.1)	2,9 (12.3)	-
14. Cobalt	7,9,10 (72.7)	10,11 (18.6)	6 (4.3)	-
15. Copper	4,11 (59.8)	2,4 (19.5)	6,9 (11.7)	2,3,4,8 (4.7)

P.C. = Principal Component

Stations :

1. Nandprayag	6. Satyanarayana
2. Rudraprayag	7. Balawali
3. Srinagar	8. Bijnor
4. Devprayag	9. Garhmukteshwar
5. Rishikesh	10. Anupshahr
	11. Rajghat Narora

Components (which is more than 80% of total contribution) for all parameters. This, in other words, indicates that all locations are important w.r.t. mineral parameters and the primary net work sampling stations selected in the present study are valid to assess the mineral transport in Ganga river. The significance of lower reach stations clearly classify the Ganga river as mineralized between Satyanarayana and Rajghat Narora and non-mineralized between Nandaprayag and Rishikesh, which was also evident from the profiles of physico chemical parameters.

#### 4.6.2.2 Significant Parameters at Each Location:

PCA was performed among the variables of 7 observations at 11 locations (Appendix-2) to find out the significant parameters at each location. The variables contributing upto 4 Principal Components at different stations are presented in Table 4.14. In all cases it is observed that the first two Principal Components have contributed from 57.0 to 74.0 percent. The variables constituting upto 2nd Principal Component are termed as significant w.r.t. their variation at that location.

In general, pH, conductivity, carbonates, bicarbonates and calcium are the significant parameters at all locations. Besides these, chlorides are significant at Devprayag and sulfates in the lower reaches. Magnesium is significant at Srinagar, Bijnor and Anupshahr although the spatial and temporal variations of magnesium (Fig. 4.12) are not clear. Among trace metals iron is

**Table 4.14 PARAMETERS CONTRIBUTED IN 5 PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS (Stationwise)**

STATIONS	FIRST Principal Component	SECOND Principal Component	THIRD Principal Component	FOURTH Principal Component
1. NANDAPRAYAG After confluence	1,5,8,12 (46.7%)	10,11,16 (20.9%)	7,13,14 (12.1%)	4,9,14,17 (11.9%)
2. RUDRAPRAYAG	1,5,11,15 (32.8%)	4,8,12 (27.4%)	2,3,13 (15.8%)	7,14,16 (11.1%)
3. SRINAGAR	1,2,3,5, 13,17,18 (36.7%)	4,8,9,10, 16 (23.6%)	14,15 (18.2%)	6,10,11 (10.7%)
4. DEVPRAYAG After confluence	2,3,11,12 13,15 (48.6%)	1,4,6,10 (19.8%)	4,7,8,16 (14.2%)	14,18 (8.8%)
5. RISHIKESH	4,12,17 (45.6%)	1,3,10,15, 18(29.8%)	2,5,6,7, 10 (8.7%)	2,7,8,13 (7.0%)
6. SATYANARAYANA	1,7,13,15 (37.3%)	2,4,8,12, 16,17 (27.8%)	10,18 (12.9%)	1,6,14,16, 17 (10.0%)
7. BALAWALI	1,5,7,15, 18 (36.0%)	2,4,6,8,16 (33.9%)	10,12 (13.4%)	2,3,5,14 (10.4%)
8. BIJNOR	2,4,5,8,9, 13 (40.7%)	1,7,14,15, 16 (17.1%)	6,11,12, 18 (15.3%)	11,14,16 (11.6%)
9. GARHMUKTESHWAR	1,5,7,15, 18 (45.7%)	10,13,14, 16,17 (20.9%)	4,6,12 (11.7%)	10,12 (10.9%)
10. ANUPSHAHAR	1,2,3,4,5, 8,9,15 (37.2%)	7,13,17,18 (20.8%)	11,12,14, 16 (16.6%)	10,12,13 (14.3%)
11. RAJGHAT NARORA	5 (49.4%)	3,10,14,18 (18.0%)	6,7,11, 12,16 (14.6%)	6,7,9,10 17 (9.4%)

Parameters:	1. pH	10. Sodium
	2. Conductance	11. Iron
	3. Total dissolved solids	12. Zinc
	4. Bicarbonates	13. Lead
	5. Carbonates	14. Cadmium
	6. Chlorides	15. Manganese
	7. Sulfates	16. Nickel
	8. Calcium	17. Cobalt
	9. Magnesium	18. Copper

significant at all stations except at Srinagar. Zinc is significant at all stations between Nandprayag and Satyanarayana except at Srinagar. Manganese is one of the significant trace metals at all stations except at Srinagar and Rajghat Narora, however, it showed an increase in suspended form at these stations (Fig. 4.16). Nickel is the significant parameter at Nandaprayag, Srinagar, Satyanarayana, Balawali, Bijnor and Garhmukteshwar. Cobalt and Copper are significant at Srinagar, Rishikesh, Satyanarayana, Balawali, Garhmukteshwar, Anupshahr and Rajghat Narora. Lead is significant at Srinagar, Devprayag, Satyanarayana, Bijnor, Garhmukteshwar and Anupshahr, whereas, cadmium is significant at Bijnor, Garhmukteshwar and Rajghat Narora.

#### 4.6.2.3 Significant Months w.r.t. variation of Mineral

##### Parameters:

Thirdly, PCA was applied to assess the significant months w.r.t. variation of mineral parameters in Ganga river between Nandaprayag and Rajghat Narora. The significant variables falling upto four Principal Components are presented in Table 4.15. From the table one can visualize that all the months are equally significant w.r.t. the mineral parameters. In general, total dissolved solids, bicarbonates, carbonates, calcium, magnesium, iron and manganese are the significant parameters in all months for their variation in the total upper Ganga stretch. Sulfates

Table 4.15 PARAMETERS CONTRIBUTING IN FOUR PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS  
(monthwise)

MONTH	First Principal Component	Second Principal Component	Third Principal Component	Fourth Principal Component
1. October, 1985	2,3,8,9 (44.1%)	5,11,15 (20.3%)	1,12,16 (14.9%)	15,17 (9.0%)
2. December, 1985	2,3,4,7,8, 9,10 (43.6%)	1,5,13 (18.5%)	11,12 (12.1%)	6,12,16,17 (8.0%)
3. February, 1986	3,4,8,9 (46.9%)	7,13,15, 17,18 (24.9%)	1,5,15 (10.5%)	11,12,16 (6.3%)
4. April, 1986	2,3,4,7,8, 11 (45.5%)	1,5,11,13 (21.9%)	1,11,14,18 (9.0%)	1,16,17 (7.9%)
5. July, 1986	2,3,4,7,8, 9,10 (42.7%)	1,11,12, 16,17 (19.6%)	1,5,11,16, 18 (13.6%)	6,11,14, 15,16 (9.6%)
6. October, 1986	2,3,4,8,9, 11 (47.5%)	1,12,14,15 (16.9%)	7,14,15,16 (10.8%)	6,12,14, 17,18 (8.3%)
7. December, 1986	2,3,4,8,9 (51.8%)	11,12,15, 16,17 (18.0%)	1,13,16 (10.6%)	12,13,14, 16,17,18 (7.6%)

Parameters:

- |                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| 1. pH                     | 10. Sodium    |
| 2. Conductance            | 11. Iron      |
| 3. Total dissolved solids | 12. Zinc      |
| 4. Bicarbonates           | 13. Lead      |
| 5. Carbonates             | 14. Cadmium   |
| 6. Chlorides              | 15. Manganese |
| 7. Sulfate                | 16. Nickel    |
| 8. Calcium                | 17. Cobalt    |
| 9. Magnesium              | 18. Copper    |

are found to be significant in all months except October, which is the post-monsoon period. Cadmium is significant in October and December months, whereas, lead is significant in February and April months.

From the above observations it is clear that the significant parameters are common in all months, therefore it can be stated that the bimonthly frequency selected for sampling is valid.

#### 4.6.2.4 Correlation between Parameters:

The correlation matrix obtained in the PCA is helpful to examine the extent of correlation between parameters at different locations. The variation with a correlation factor between  $\pm 0.8$  to  $\pm 1.0$  are considered as highly correlated ones. In the present study the correlation factors are not used to establish any relationship between variables, but to find out the common sources of mineralization at a location. The positively correlated parameters at each location are presented in Table 4.16 and a brief explanation is given in the following lines. By observing the correlation factors it can be stated that positively correlated parameters at any location are added from a common source at that location.

In general,  $p^H$  is negatively related to all trace metal at all locations except at Rudraprayag. At Rudraprayag  $p^H$  is positively related to zinc and nickel confirming that the waters



TABLE 4.16 POSITIVELY CORRELATED VARIABLES AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS

STATIONS	VARIABLES																		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1.NAND- PRAYAG	3,8	3	2	-	1,8	-	-	1,5	-	11,15	10,15	16	-	-	10,11	12	-	-	
2.RUDRA- PRAYAG	5,12,16	3	2	8	1	-	-	4	-	-	15	1,16	-	-	11	1,12	-	-	
3.SRINA- GAR	5	3,5	2	8	1,2	-	-	4	-	-	13	12	-	17	-	1,15	17	18	
4.DEV- PRAYAG	5	3	2	-	1	-	9	-	7	-	12,13	11,13	11,15	-	12,13	13	13	-	
5.RISHI- KESH	5	-	-	8,9,12,17	1	9,13	-	4,17	4,6,13	-	14,17	4,9,18	6,9	11,12	-	-	4,8,11	11,12	14
6.SATYA- NARAYANA	-	16	-	-	14	-	9,13,15	-	7	-	-	-	7,15	5	6,13	2	-	-	
7.BALA- WALI	10	-	-	8,9	9	-	-	4,9	4,5,8	1	16	-	-	-	-	11,17	16	-	
8.BIJNOR	5,10	3,5	2	8,9	1,2	-	-	4,9	4,8	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
9.GARHM- UKTESHWAR	7	3	2	5,8,9	4,7,8,9	-	1,5	4,5,9	4,5,8	-	15,18	-	-	-	12,18	17	16	11,15	
10.ANUP- SHAHR	7	3	2	5,8,9	4,8,9	-	1	4,5,9	4,5,8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
11.RAJ- GHAT NARORA	-	-	-	5,8,9	4,8,9	-	-	4,5,9	4,5,8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

- |                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| 1. pH                     | 10. Sodium    |
| 2. Conductivity           | 11. Iron      |
| 3. Total dissolved solids | 12. Zinc      |
| 4. Bicarbonates           | 13. Lead      |
| 5. Carbonates             | 14. Cadmium   |
| 6. Chloride               | 15. Manganese |
| 7. Sulfate                | 16. Nickel    |
| 8. Calcium                | 17. Cobalt    |
|                           | 18. Copper    |

joining in this area are rich in dissolved zinc and nickel. Total dissolved solids and conductivity, pH and carbonates, calcium, magnesium with carbonates and bicarbonates are positively related at all stations.

At Nandaprayag sodium is correlated with iron, manganese, and zinc with nickel. It indicates that the waters joining Ganga river in this region drain the geological formations rich in zinc and nickel. The negative correlation of zinc, lead with pH, bicarbonates, carbonates and calcium indicates that these metals are added predominantly in suspended form.

At Rudraprayag calcium is correlated with bicarbonates indicating the presence of dolomite deposits between Nandaprayag and Rudraprayag. Among the trace metals iron is correlated with manganese, and zinc with nickel.

At Srinagar, bicarbonates are correlated with magnesium, zinc is correlated with lead, cobalt with manganese and copper.

The negative correlation of pH with iron, zinc, lead and manganese at Devprayag indicates that these metals are added predominantly in suspended form. Magnesium is inversely related to nickel and lead. Among the trace metals, the correlations of iron with lead, zinc, manganese; manganese with cobalt, lead, iron; lead with zinc, iron, manganese, nickel, cobalt; nickel with cobalt and lead indicate the nature of respective sources of trace metals.

At Rishikesh, chlorides are in correlation with magnesium and lead, and the correlation of bicarbonates with cobalt indicates the association of cobalt with dolomite rocks in this region. The correlation of bicarbonates and magnesium with lead indicates that the magnesite rocks of this area contain lead mineralization. Iron is related with cadmium, cobalt, copper; zinc with magnesium, cadmium, cobalt; cadmium with iron zinc, cobalt; cobalt with bicarbonates, calcium, iron, zinc, cadmium; and copper with iron, at this station.

At Satyanarayana, sulfates are correlated with magnesium, lead and manganese indicating the magnesite deposits in Doon Valley contain lead and manganese. On the other hand, the negative correlation of carbonates with cadmium and chloride with manganese indicates that chloride and cadmium are added prominently by IDPL effluent, where as, carbonates and manganese through Song river.

In the lower reaches the correlation among trace metals is not significant. However, it can be stated that iron, nickel, manganese, copper and cobalt are positively correlated, and magnesium and carbonates are negatively correlated with lead.

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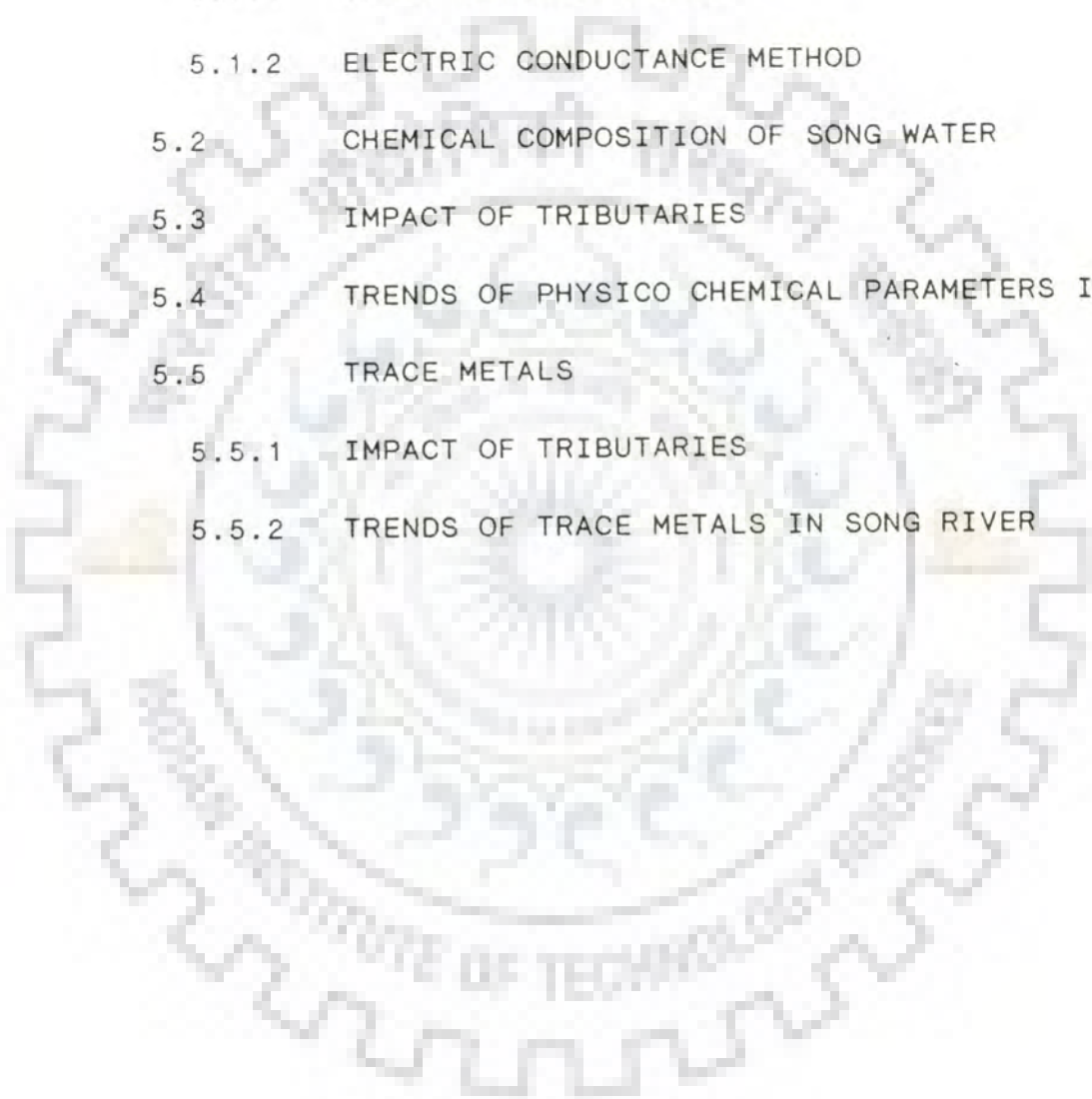
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## 5.0 PHYSICO CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF SONG RIVER

The physico chemical composition of Song river water during its course towards Ganga river in Doon Valley, is chiefly governed by the following factors:

- (i) Geological formations of the catchment area.
- (ii) Human interaction in the catchment area, including water regulation practices and irrigation.
- (iii) Flow regimes. Dry months constituting the base flow and wet months necessitating run-off from the catchment area.

The geology and the net work of tributaries is discussed in Chapter-2. In general, the human interaction with the Song river was much more significant as compared to Ganga river. The water regulatory, check dams, constructed in the Maldevta area on Song river and its tributaries Baldi and Bandal, divert maximum flow for irrigation purpose leaving little amount or no flow in the rivers. Thus, Song river and its two major tributaries, namely Baldi and Bandal, have little or no flow during base flow season. During base flow regime, these rivers exhibit dying out behavior. Massive limestone deposits of the area are responsible for this behavior. During early monsoons the ground water gets recharged to contribute to river during post-monsoon and base flow seasons. This results the flow in Song river from Maldevta to Gularghati only in the monsoon and post-monsoon seasons. During the total study period (July 1985 to January 1987) the

river was completely dry in the base flow season of 1986-1987.

The general composition of Song waters in the study area (between Maldevta and Satyanarayana), impact of major tributaries and trend of physico chemical parameters, are however, discussed in the following paragraphs.

### 5.1 ACCURACY OF DATA

As in the case of Ganga river, the chemical analysis of Song river was also exposed to checks for accuracy by ionic balance and electrical conductance methods.

#### 5.1.1 IONIC BALANCE METHOD:

A control chart for Song river data is depicted in Fig. 5.1, which reveals that 85% of the data lies within the acceptable limit of  $\pm 1.0$ . This ensures the accuracy of data for further interpretation.

#### 5.1.2 ELECTRICAL CONDUCTANCE METHOD:

The ratio of total dissolved solids and conductivity is shown in Fig 5.2. 75% of the data falls in 0.65 to 0.7 range indicating that the Song water was more saline as compared to Ganga river. In other words, the Song water contains more minerals than Ganga river water.

### 5.2 CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF SONG WATER

To represent the chemical composition of Song river water, Hill-Piper diagram was plotted by conventional trilinear co-ordinates. The diagram (Fig. 5.3) shows a distinct spatial

- S<sub>1</sub>—Sahashradhara Baldi
- S<sub>2</sub>—Sahashradhara Sulfur Spring
- S<sub>3</sub>—Sahashradhara Baldi A/C
- S<sub>4</sub>—Maldevta Bandal
- S<sub>5</sub>—Maldevta Song
- S<sub>6</sub>—Maldevta Baldi
- S<sub>7</sub>—Raipur
- S<sub>8</sub>—Gularghati
- S<sub>9</sub>—Doiwala
- S<sub>10</sub>—Raiwala Tawa
- S<sub>11</sub>—Raiwala Song
- S<sub>12</sub>—Satyanarayana

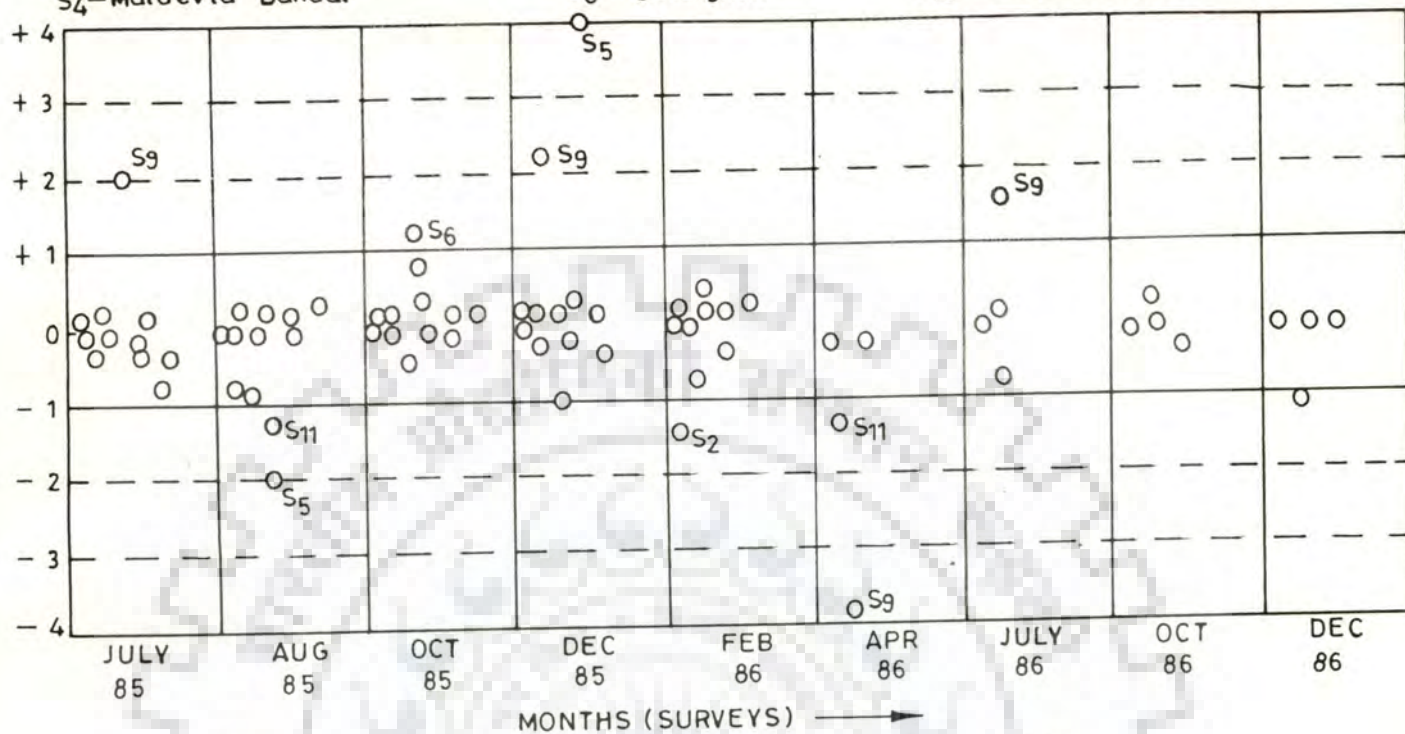


FIG. 5.1—VARIATION IN CATION-ANION BALANCE

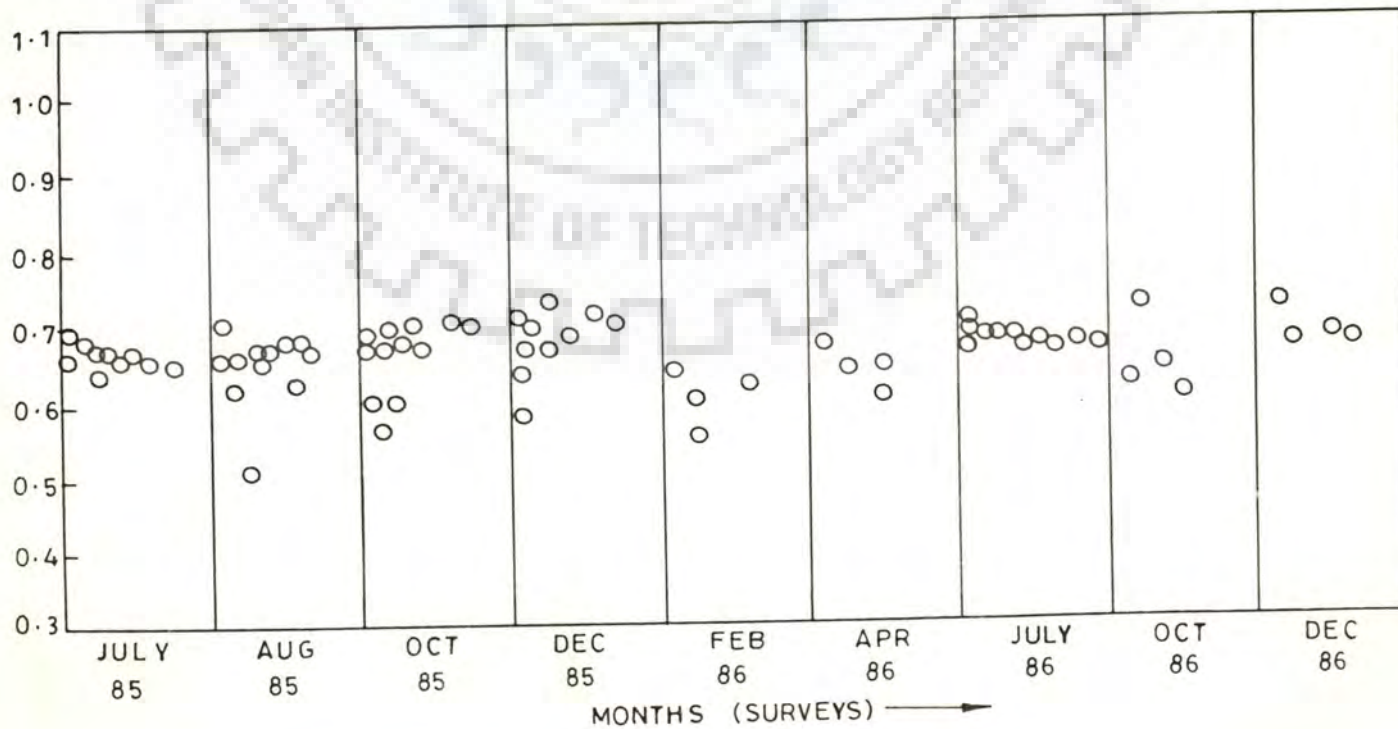


FIG. 5.2—VARIATION IN COND./TDS RATIO

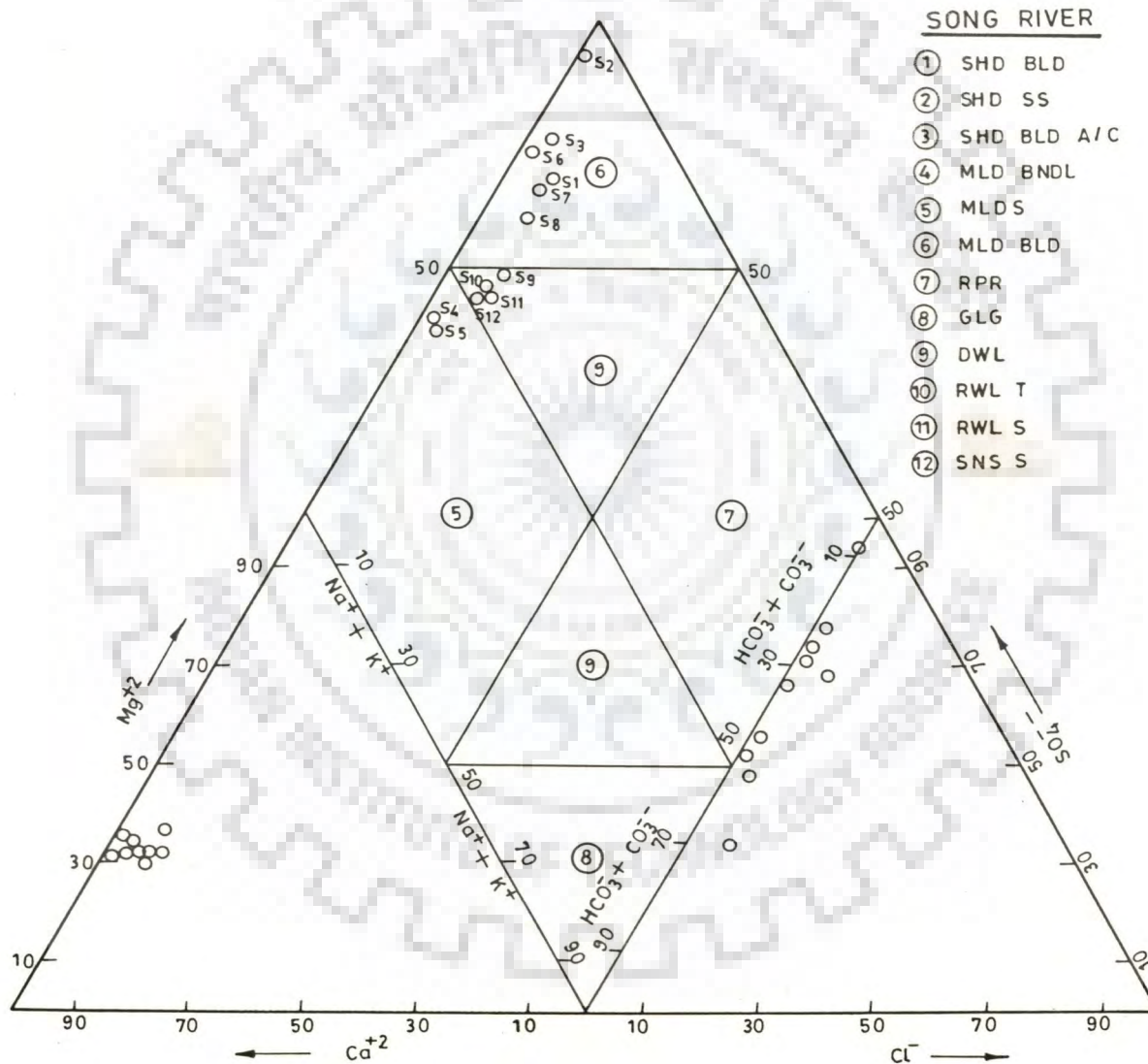


FIG. 5.3 — HILL PIPER TRILINEAR DIAGRAM OF SONG WATER



variation in the chemical composition of Song river and its tributaries. The water of the river Song and the tributary Bandal fall in area 5 depicting properties of alkaline earth and weak acids. Where as after the confluence upto Gularghati falls in the area 6 of the diagram. This emphasizes that the waters flowing in this reach are rich in sulfates and the composition is dictated by alkali earths with strong acids. This is in good agreement with the catchment geology and the flow patterns of the rivers. This, in other words, indicates that the water flowing in Maldevta area is rich in carbonates and bicarbonates of calcium and magnesium. The composition of Song water downstream of Gularghati is mixed type in which no single cation or anion pair exceed 50% as the data falls in area 9 of the diagram.

### 5.3 IMPACT OF TRIBUTARIES

The flow of Song river in the study area is contributed by numerous hilly streams, locally named as 'Raos'. Bandal, Baldi, Tawa and Bangla are the perennial streams of this region. These tributaries have their sub-catchment area with characteristic human activity with nearly common geology. Song river in its initial stages passes through Maldevta area which is known for its pyretic and phosphoritic mining. The tributaries Bandal and Baldi also join the river at Maldevta. Bandal derives its water from Timli area, whereas, Bandal gets it from Sahashradhara. At

both these places limestone mining is common. The common feature with Song and other tributaries is that they have effluent ground water springs as the principle source. Tawa and Bangla Rao join Song river between Raiwala and Satyanarayana where Song ends the journey and meets the Ganga river. Bangla Rao passes through villages like Shyampur and Raiwala. Thus it carries more domestic and agricultural wastes of the catchment area.

To assess the impact of these tributaries on Song river water physico chemical characteristics were studied and seasonal patterns recorded

- (1) Monsoon season, that incise the period from June to August.
- (2) Post-monsoon season, that incise the period from September to November.
- (3) Base-flow season, that incise the period from December to May.

The perusal of data given in Table 5.1 illustrates the changes occurring in the water quality of these tributaries. These changes can be elaborated as follows.

In general, the total solids are carried in the form of dissolved solids in all the tributaries, which is evident from the small amounts of suspended solids observed. The suspended solid content was observed to be maximum in monsoon season and minimum both in post-monsoon and base flow seasons. The variation is between 8 mg/l to 45 mg/l. More solids in dissolved

TABLE 5.1 MEAN MINERAL QUALITY OF TRIBUTARIES BEFORE MEETING SONG RIVER

PARAMETER	Sulfur Spring		Baldi		Bandal		Tawa		Bangla Rao	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.pH	7.3	0.2	8.0	0.3	8.1	0.4	8.3	0.4	7.8	0.3
2. ORP	-202.0	31.9	193.8	35.2	217.5	6.5	200.6	14.4	175.0	20.0
3. Conductance ( $\mu$ mhos)	2094.1	148.1	652.2	89.4	412.2	82.4	336.4	72.8	600.0	55.0
4. Total dissolved solids (mg/l)	1405.7	110.3	445.6	73.0	277.8	54.2	239.6	63.6	402.5	40.0
5. Suspended solids (mg/l)	25.0	10.0	83.8	26.9	82.5	20.2	96.2	19.9	45.0	15.0
6. Bicarbonates (mg/l)	270.9	22.2	151.5	20.0	120.3	9.3	125.5	53.9	140.5	26.5
7. Carbonates (mg/l)	0.8	0.2	1.7	0.8	1.8	0.6	3.5	2.3	1.6	-
8. Chlorides (mg/l)	6.3	1.2	5.1	0.9	5.6	0.5	6.2	1.8	9.5	1.8
9. Sulfates (mg/l)	3532.2	416.8	376.8	62.9	195.0	36.7	124.2	57.4	140.0	25.0
10. Calcium (mg/l)	1014.2	103.3	134.4	13.7	72.8	11.8	55.3	10.5	68.0	20.0
11. Magnesium (mg/l)	317.4	42.5	39.8	5.6	27.2	3.4	21.5	8.4	20.0	5.0
12. Sodium (mg/l)	10.0	-	10.0	-	10.0	-	8.7	2.3	12.0	0.6
13. Potassium (mg/l)	2.6	1.3	1.5	0.6	1.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	2.0	0.2
14. Total anions (me/l)	78.2	9.1	10.5	1.0	6.2	0.9	4.9	1.2	5.6	-
15. Total cations (me/l)	78.6	8.5	10.4	0.9	6.3	0.8	4.9	1.0	5.6	-
16. Dissolved oxygen (mg/l)	-	-	8.1	0.1	6.1	0.1	7.8	0.2	7.7	0.2
17. Bio chemical oxygen demand (mg/l)	-	-	1.0	0.2	0.9	0.1	1.7	0.4	1.9	0.6
18. Chemical oxygen demand (mg/l)	-	-	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.1	1.2	0.3	2.4	0.8

form are added by Bandal in all seasons. The temporal variations in conductivity values emphasizes that all the tributaries carry more dissolved solids during base flow season followed by post-monsoon and monsoon seasons.

Among the tributaries Bangla Rao adds more chloride of sodium and also carries more organic matter as reflected by slightly high C.O.D./B.O.D. values and low D.O. This is attributable to several non-point and point domestic discharges. Contribution of Baldi is more in the concentration of sulfates of calcium and magnesium than other tributaries due to influence of Sahashradhara.

Closely looking into the data and the variation in the quality of these tributaries, the following conclusions can be drawn:

- The influence of human interaction is more visible in Bangla Rao and Tawa than other tributaries.
- The mineral content is more in base flow season followed by post-monsoon and monsoon seasons indicating the extensive ground water recharge to the rivers.

#### 5.4 TRENDS OF PHYSICO CHEMICAL PARAMETERS IN SONG RIVER

Table 5.2 and Fig.5.4 to Fig.5.14 illustrates the spatial and temporal variation and trends of physico chemical parameters in Song river. The trends are explained in the following paragraphs.

TABLE 5.2

STATIONS	pH		ORP		SUSPENDED SOLIDS		CARBONATES		SODIUM		POTASIUM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.MALDEVTA U/S	8.1	0.2	198.4	32.2	55.1	32.7	1.5	0.8	10.0	-	1.6	0.5
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2.RAIPUR	8.2	0.4	210.6	43.3	56.1	16.6	2.5	2.1	10.0	-	1.6	0.5
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3.GULARGHATI	8.1	0.4	223.2	32.9	83.2	27.2	1.8	1.4	10.0	-	1.6	0.5
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4.DOIWALA	8.4	0.3	202.8	47.4	81.1	29.9	3.3	2.9	10.0	-	1.8	0.7
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5.RAIWALA	8.2	0.3	204.5	23.0	81.3	25.9	3.2	2.5	10.0	-	1.5	0.5
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6.SATYANARAYANA	8.2	0.3	197.0	42.7	92.8	28.6	3.3	1.8	10.0	-	1.5	0.5

U/S = Upstream

#### 5.4.1 pH:

pH of the river Song varied between 7.9–8.7 (Table 5.2) indicating the alkaline nature of the river water throughout. The low values were observed during monsoon season between Maldevta and Gularghati and high values during post-monsoon and base flow seasons. This trend indicates the dilution during monsoon season, and extensive ground water recharge in the remaining seasons.

#### 5.2.2 ORP:

The ORP values of Song river water varied between +183.0 mV to +258.0 mV (Table 5.2) which were slightly lesser as compared to Ganga river water. The ORP values were more towards positive side during post-monsoon season followed by monsoon season and base flow season. Though the trend of ORP was fluctuating, in general, the maximum values were observed at Gularghati.

#### 5.2.3 SOLIDS TOTAL AND SUSPENDED:

Song river carried more dissolved solids than suspended solids. The little variation observed in suspended solids (Table 5.2) showed that more load was observed during monsoon season followed by post-monsoon and base flow seasons. The suspended solid content was low between Maldevta and Gularghati and increased as the river flowed downstream. This can be attributed to less physical erosion in Doon Valley.

#### 5.2.4 CONDUCTIVITY AND TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS:

Trends of conductivity and total dissolved solids (Fig. 5.4 and Fig. 5.5) were similar and the temporal variations observed were in proportional to the flow conditions. Base flow yields more conductivity and total dissolved solids as compared to monsoon and post-monsoon season. However, significant spatial variations were observed at some locations emphasizing the following:

- Significant increase was observed between Maldevta and Raipur due to the confluence of Baldi river. The impact was also proportional to the flow conditions.
- The decrease between Raipur and Gularghati is attributed to the dilution imposed by Sirwalgarh Rao and Chittaur Rao which carry lesser mineral content as compared to that of Song.
- The increase between Gularghati and Doiwala was due to Suswa which joins Song upstream of Doiwala. Suswa carried Dholani Nadi, which carried the domestic discharges of Gularghati.
- The decrease between Doiwala and Raiwala was due to the dilution caused by epimeral streams and Tawa Nadi.
- Significant increase between Raiwala and Satyanarayana was observed due to the tributary Bangla Rao which carries domestic and agricultural return waters to Song.

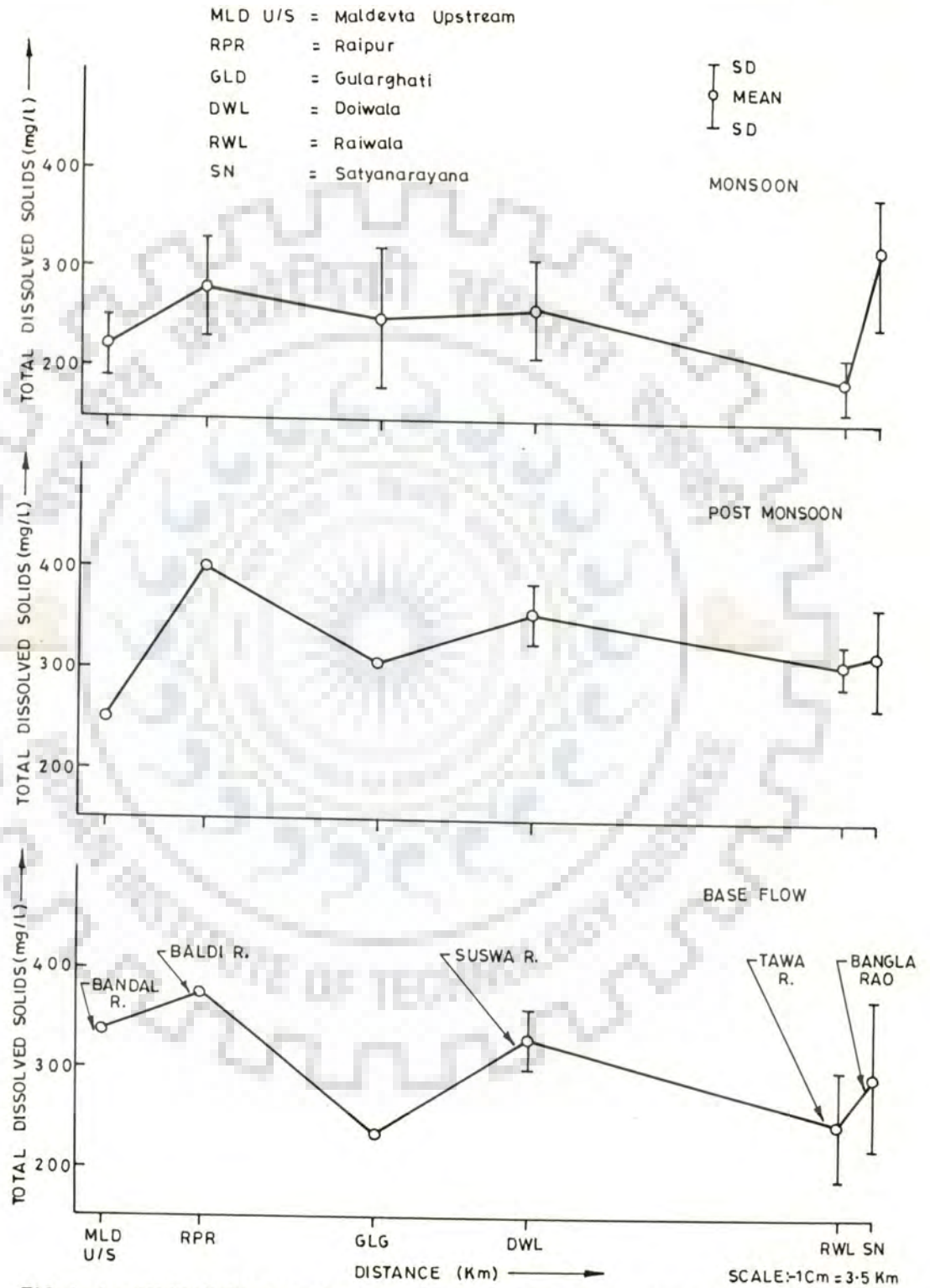


FIG. 5.4 — VARIATION IN TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/l)



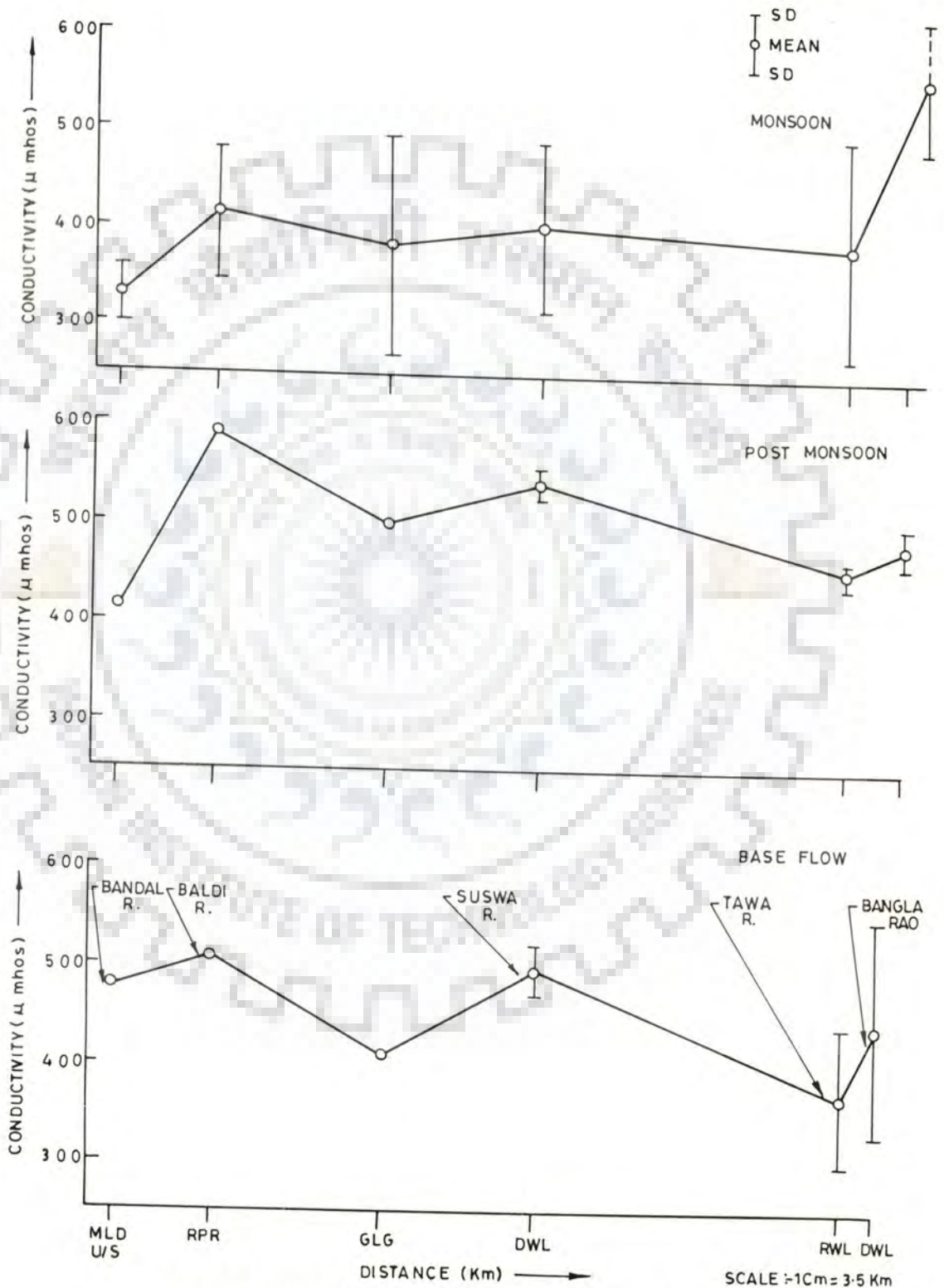


FIG.5.5-VARIATION IN CONDUCTIVITY (μ mhos)

### 5.2.5 BICARBONATES AND CARBONATES:

Bicarbonate and carbonate varied between, 80 mg/l to 180 mg/l and 0.9 mg/l to 4.98 mg/l, respectively with distinct temporal variations (Fig.5.6 and Table 5.2). The bicarbonate concentrations were, in general, high during monsoon season followed by base flow and post-monsoon seasons, on the other hand, the variation of carbonates was of a low order i.e. between 0.9-4.9 mg/l. This trend indicates the significance of richness of limestone deposits and the interaction of ground water originating from these deposits.

During monsoon season the bicarbonate concentration increased consistently upto Raiwala and decreased slightly at Satyanarayana. The former increase can be attributed to the joining of perennial and epimeral rivers and the latter to the dilution caused by Bangla Rao.

During post-monsoon season, the bicarbonate concentration showed a consistent decrease upto Gularghati due to decrease in flow in Baldi river. Downstream of Gularghati, the impact of Suswa and Bangla Rao is distinct with resultant increase upto Doiwala and later between Raiwala and Satyanarayana.

The profile during base flow season does not show abrupt change but a gradual pile up.

### 5.2.6 CHLORIDES:

Chlorides in Song river varied in a narrow band from 4.1

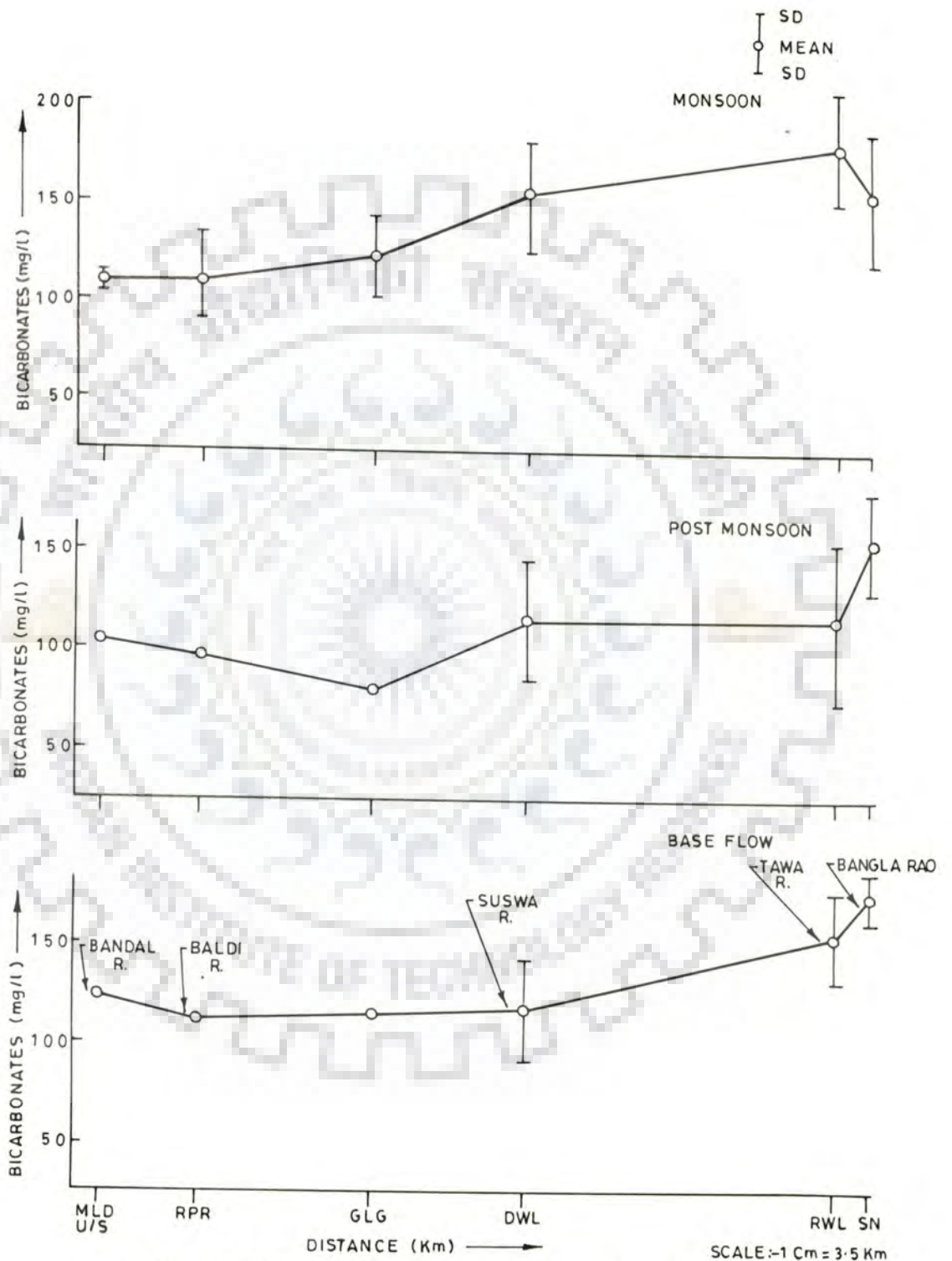


FIG. 5.6-VARIATION IN BICARBONATES (mg/l)

mg/l to 7.6 mg/l. Maximum chloride content was observed during base flow season (Fig. 5.7). Though the variations were not much of significance, however, the impact of Suswa was visible at Doiwala. During monsoon and post-monsoon seasons the chloride concentration increased while there was a decrease during base flow regime.

#### 5.2.7 SULFATES:

The concentration of sulfates in Song waters in the study area varied between 150 mg/l and 260 mg/l, indicating the presence of sulfate bearing rocks along with limestone deposits of the Doon Valley. The chief contributor of sulfates was the river Baldi which drained the Sahashradhara including sulfur spring (Fig. 5.8). The concentrations at all stations and at all seasons downstream of Raipur decreased due to dilution. There is no other contribution of sulfate bearing waters.

#### 5.2.8 CALCIUM AND MAGNESIUM:

The trends of calcium and magnesium (Fig.5.9 and Fig.5.10) clearly indicate of the qualitative and quantitative gradient in limestone deposits in the study area. The cations varied from 40 mg/l to 104 mg/l and 20.5 mg/l to 30 mg/l respectively. The trends show that downstream of Raiwala there is no significant addition of waters rich in calcium and magnesium. Some perturbations however are apparent due to flow and dilution.

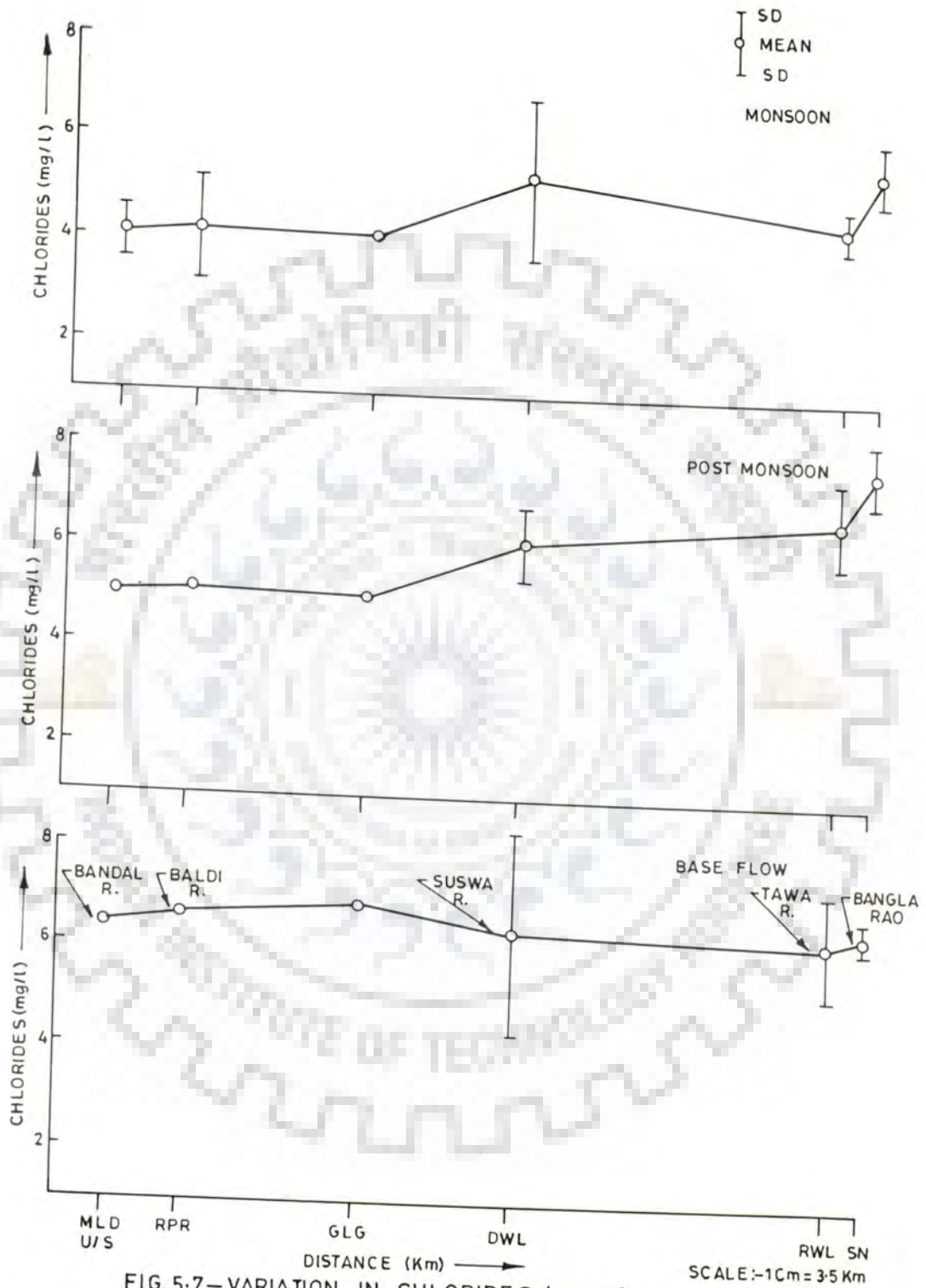


FIG.5.7-VARIATION IN CHLORIDES (mg/l)

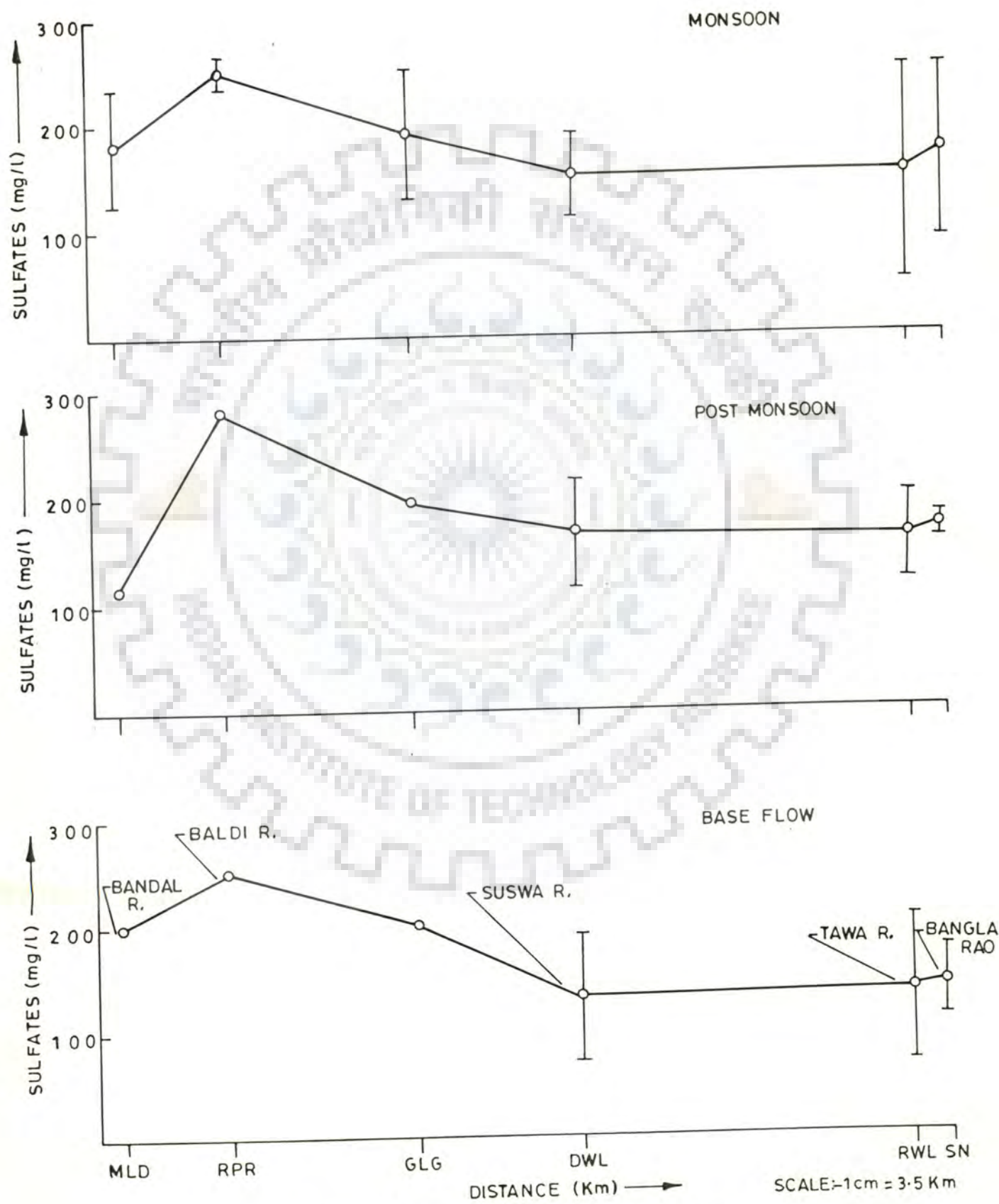


FIG. 5.8-VARIATION IN SULFATES (mg/l)

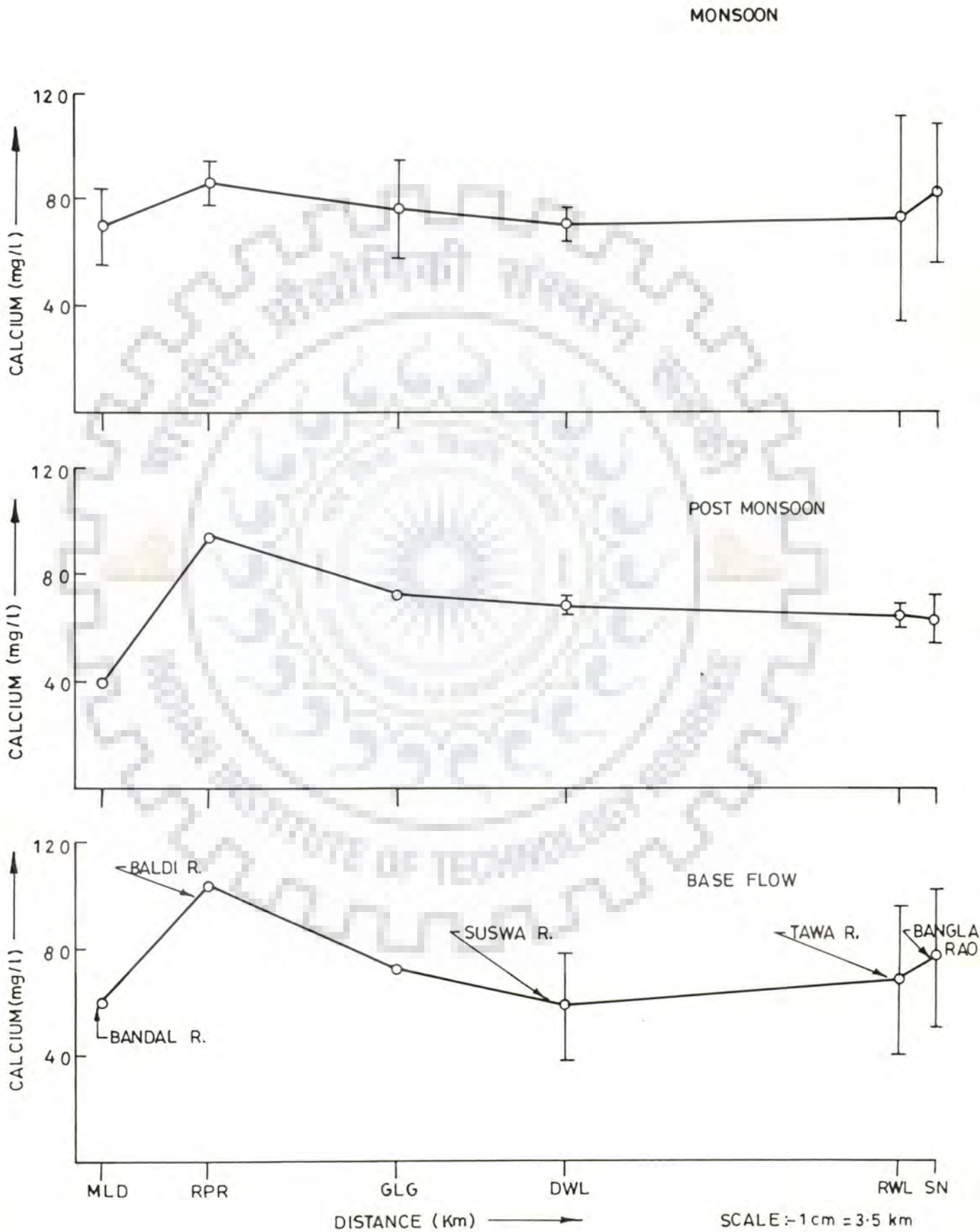


FIG. 5-9-VARIATION IN CALCIUM (mg/l)

### 5.2.9 SODIUM:

Sodium values were observed around 10 mg/l in the study area all through (Table 5.1) indicating thereby that the waters flowing in Doon Valley are rich in Sodium as compared to Ganga river. This trend, is typical of ground water interaction.

### 5.2.10 TOTAL ANIONS AND TOTAL CATIONS:

Fig. 5.11 and Fig. 5.12 illustrate the changes occurring in the total ionic strength of Song waters in the study area. The trends of anions (me/l) and cations (me/l) were similar indicating a good ionic balance in Song waters. The profiles clearly indicate the impact of Baldi river at Raipur which adds sulfates and calcium predominantly. The increase at Raipur masks all other variations upto Doiwala, however, slight increase visible between Doiwala and Satyanarayana was due to Tawa and Bangla Rao.

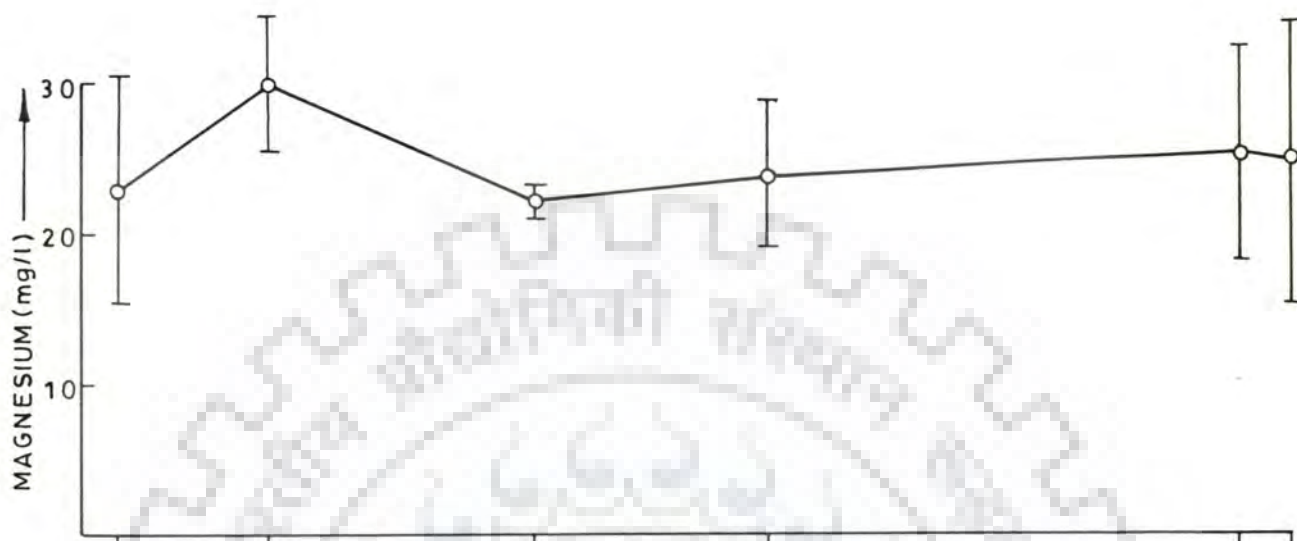
### 5.2.11 D.O., B.O.D. and C.O.D.:

Fig. 5.13 to Fig. 5.15 illustrate the changes in D.O., B.O.D. and C.O.D. in Song river. The variations observed were, from 7.4 mg/l to 8.5 mg/l, 0.5 mg/l to 1.9 mg/l and 1.0 mg/l to 2.5 mg/l, for D.O., B.O.D. and C.O.D. respectively. In general, more D.O. and less C.O.D., B.O.D values were observed during monsoon season followed by post-monsoon and base flow seasons. Though the spatial variations were not significant it was clear from the profiles that little organic load was introduced in Song



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POST MONSOON

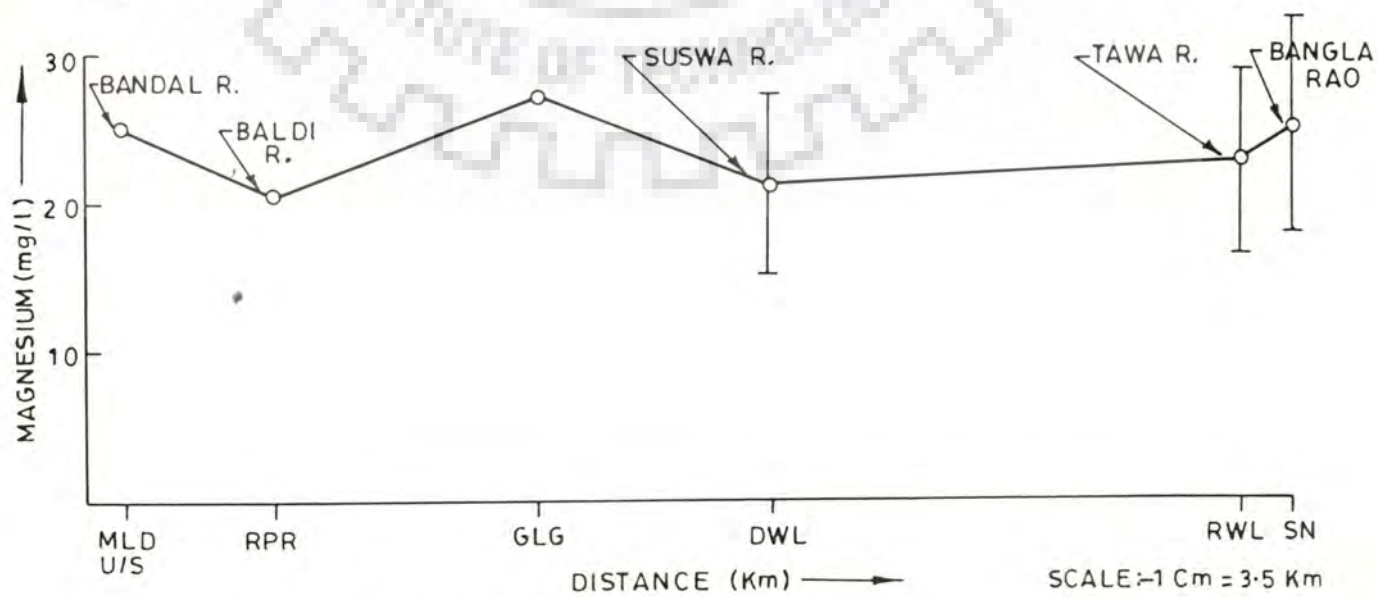
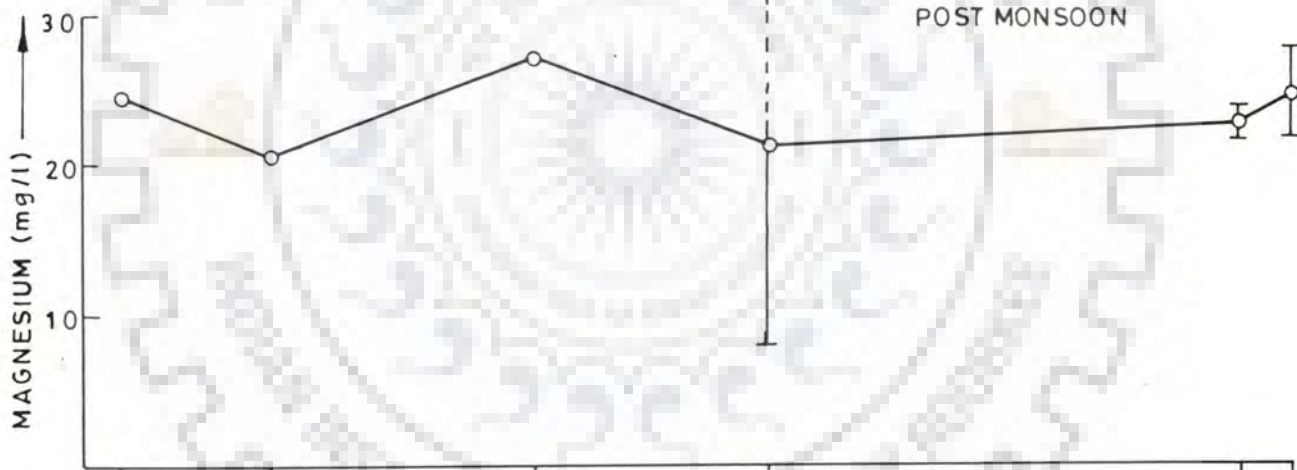
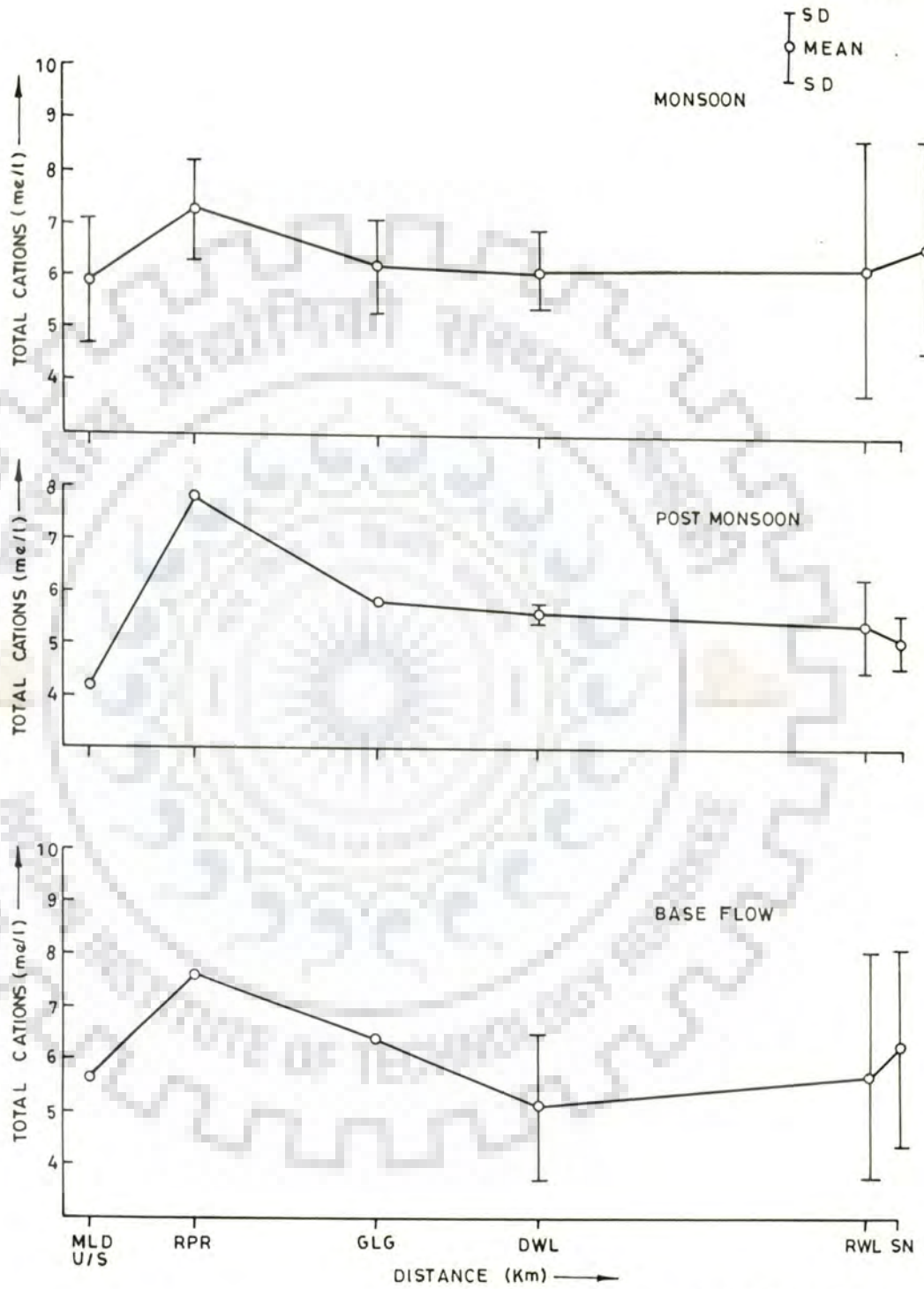


FIG. 5.10-VARIATION IN MAGNESIUM (mg/l)

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FIG. 5.11-VARIATION IN TOTAL CATIONS

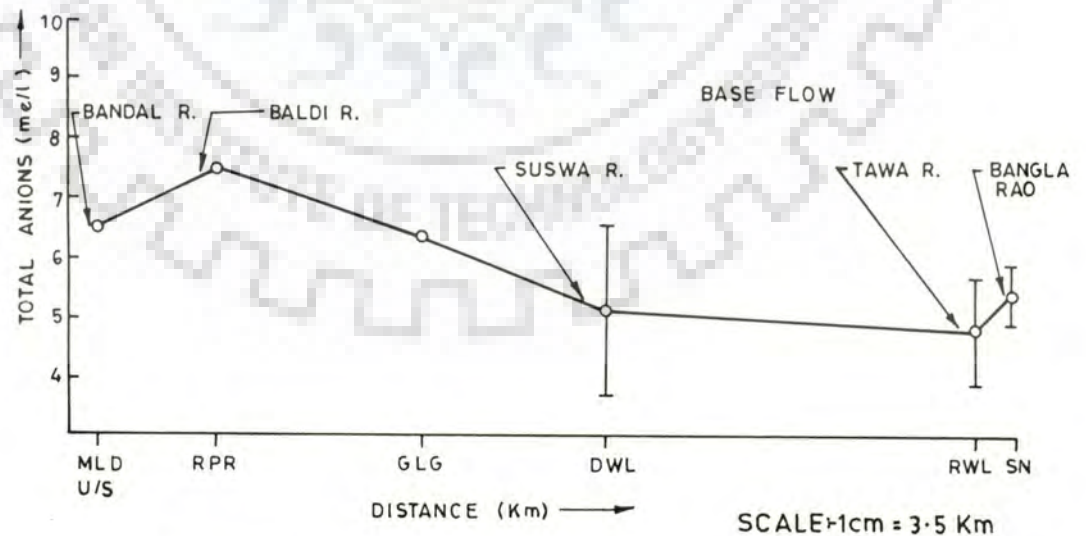
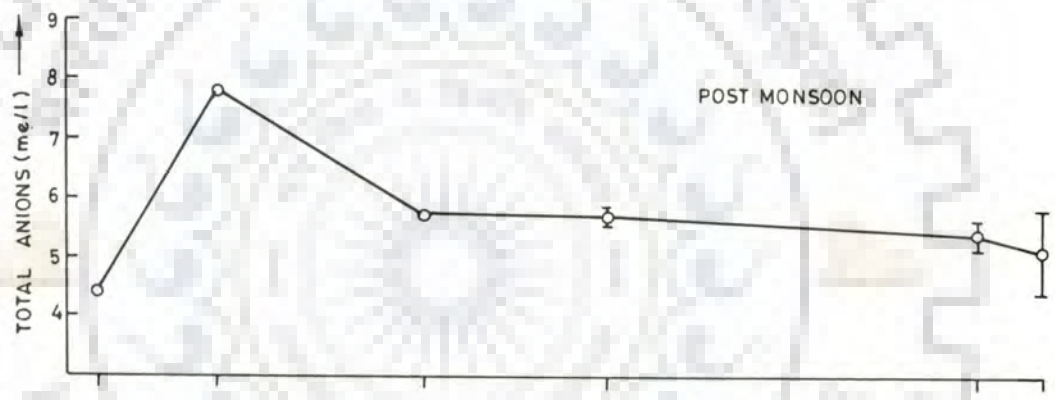
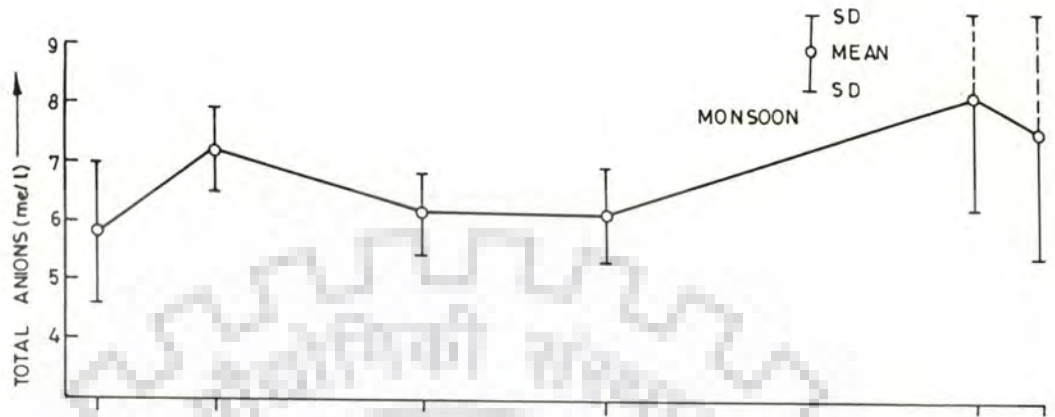


FIG. 5-12—VARIATION IN TOTAL ANIONS

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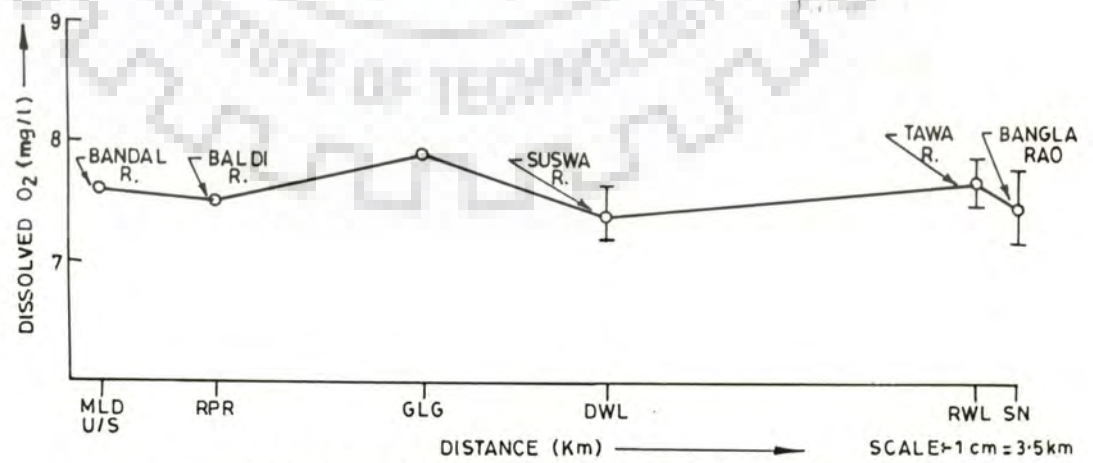
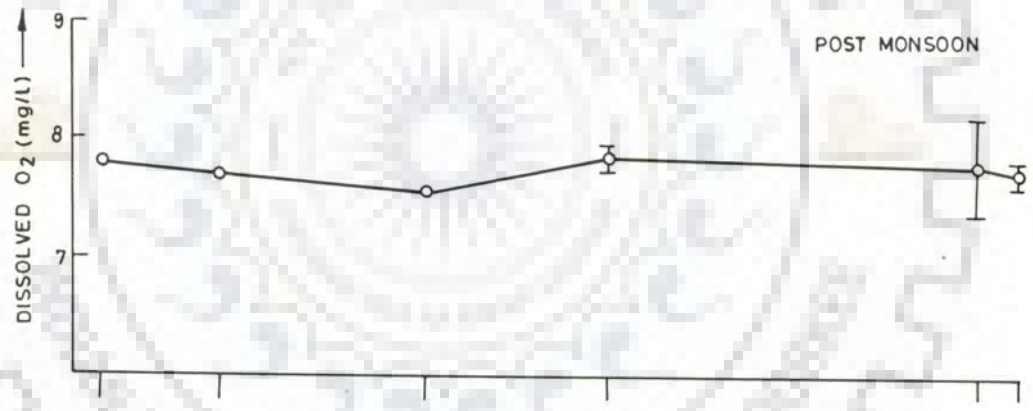
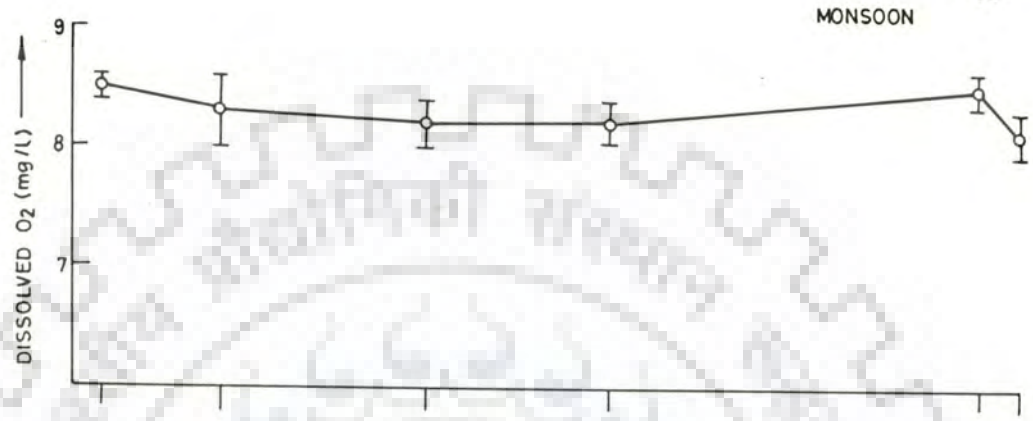


FIG. 5.13—VARIATION IN DISSOLVED OXYGEN (mg/l)

GATEWAY

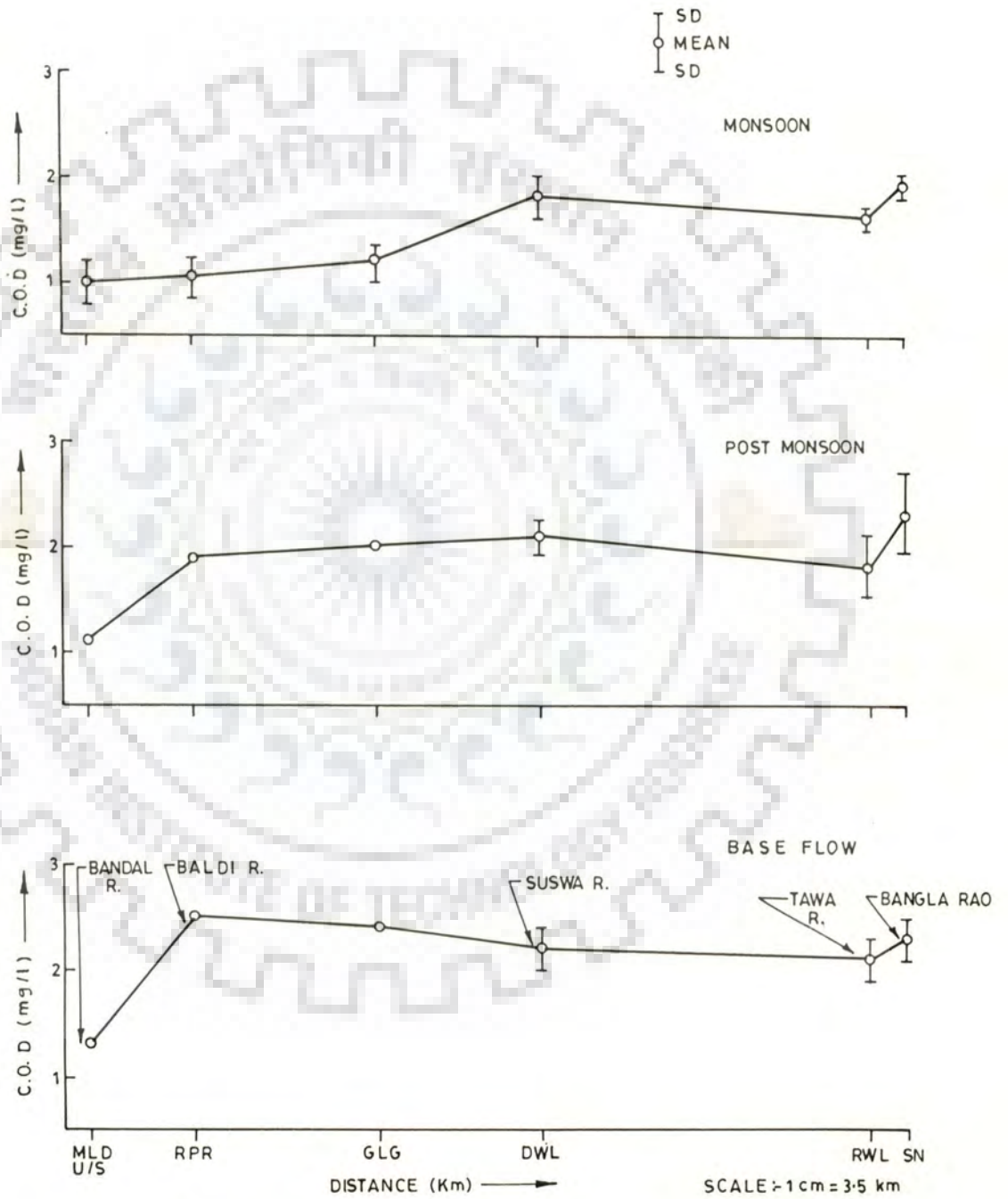


FIG. 5.14— VARIATION IN C. O. D (mg/l)

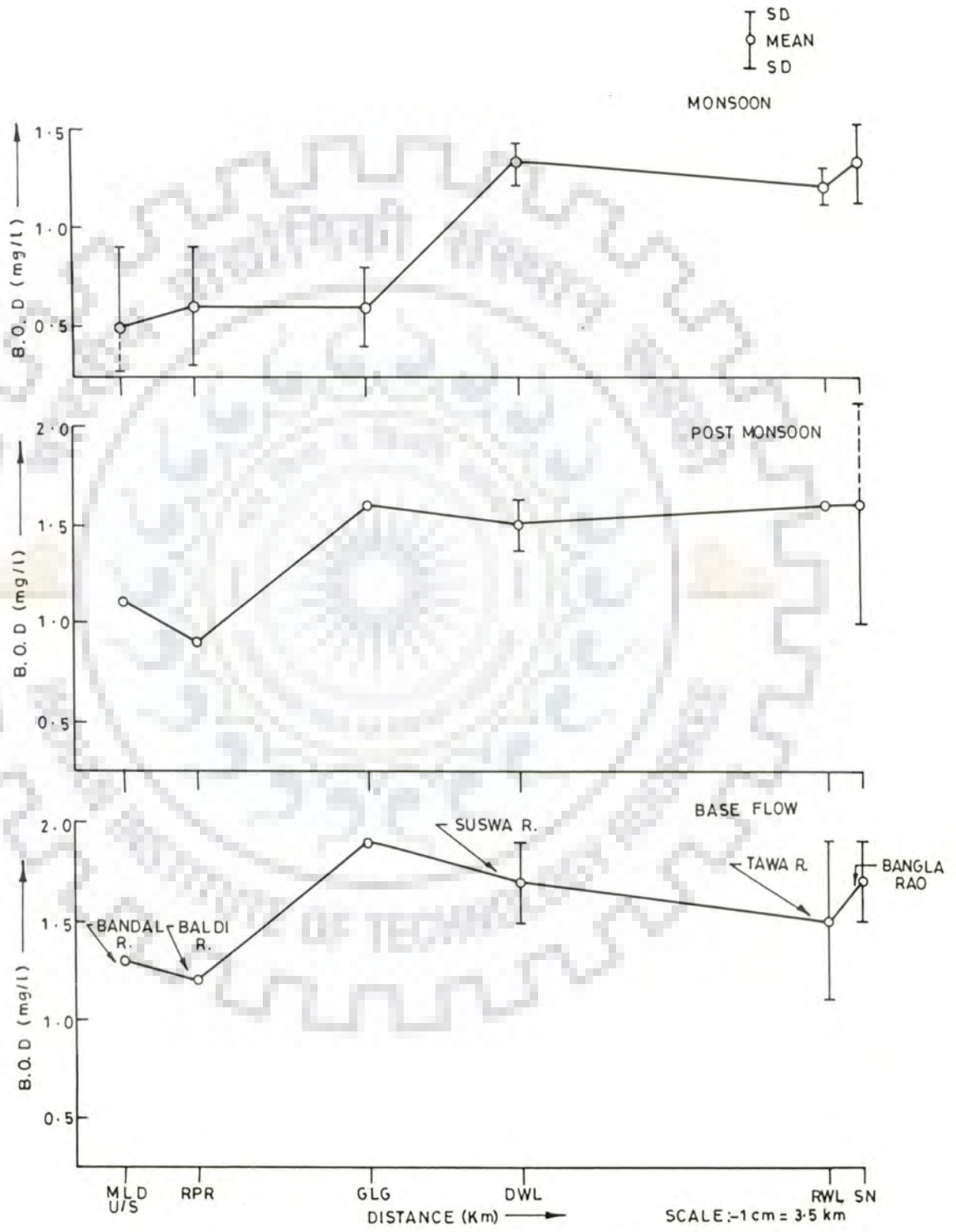


FIG. 5.15 - VARIATION IN B.O.D (mg/l)

river by Bangla Rao as it descends downwards.

### 5.5 TRACE METALS

The study of heavy metals in Song river was to assess the impact of Doon Valley to the Ganga system. Occurrence and transport of heavy metals viz. iron, lead, zinc, cadmium, manganese, nickel, cobalt and copper were studied. No anthropogenic heavy metal source was identified in the study area and the incidence was only due to the geochemical cycling of rocks. Although heavy metals were identified both in suspended and dissolved forms, the dissolved fraction dominated the suspended counterpart. This was apparent from the standard deviations of the mean total metal ion concentrations. However, the metals in conjugation with suspended particulate matter were carried during heavy downpour. Thus the higher dissolved metal content as compared to suspended can, in all probability, be due to the leaching of these trace metals from the limestone, shales and sandstone. The hill slopes in the Doon Valley were found to be not much significant to yield heavy suspended load during monsoon season.

The heavy metals were added through the tributaries and the recharged ground water. The tributaries Baldi and Bandal have different catchment activities and geology as compared to Tawa and Bangla Rao. The mining activities in these areas accelerate the chemical leaching and more metals are carried in the

tributaries. Thus, upper Song river contains more heavy metal concentration as compared to lower reaches.

#### 5.5.1 IMPACT OF TRIBUTARIES:

The mean concentrations of total and dissolved trace metals in four major tributaries are presented in Table 5.3 and Table 5.4. Baldi and Bandal flow through mining areas of Sahashradhara and Maldevta, where as Tawa and Bangla Rao, originate in Doon Valley, have the agricultural land, domestic discharges to contribute to Song river. The overall difference in total and dissolved metal concentration was observed to be minimum, indicating the lesser extent of physical erosion in Doon Valley. The same also is supported by the geology of the catchment area. Distinct spatial variation was observed among the tributaries. The tributaries flowing around Maldevta area were found to contain more metal content as compared to others. The observed variations were elaborated in the following lines.

Among the tributaries, Baldi carries more iron, lead and manganese. The presence of sulfur spring in Sahashradhara and profound limestone deposits also supports these observations. The Bandal which passes through Maldevta pyritic deposits carry zinc, cadmium, cobalt, nickel and copper. The tributary Bangla Rao add more iron, manganese and cobalt to Song as compared to Tawa. The concentrations of other metals were more or less same in both tributaries. The following conclusions emerge after



TABLE 5.3 MEAN TOTAL METAL CONCENTRATION IN THE TRIBUTARIES  
BEFORE CONFLUENCE OF SONG RIVER

S.No.	METALS	BALDI		BANDAL		TAWA		BANGLA RAO	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	IRON (mg/l)	2.7	3.6	1.0	0.2	0.4	0.2	1.2	0.8
2.	LEAD ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	294.1	82.4	270.1	35.7	45.6	23.8	50.0	38.5
3.	ZINC ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	219.0	157.2	262.5	25.0	67.6	44.5	62.5	30.0
4.	CADMIUM ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	130.0	47.6	172.5	57.2	10.5	10.6	10.0	7.6
5.	MANGANESE ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	487.5	118.1	372.6	65.6	103.2	67.5	200.0	120.5
6.	NICKEL ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	117.9	85.6	146.5	11.1	17.6	11.0	12.5	5.5
7.	COBALT ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	111.3	60.3	138.8	24.9	9.6	10.6	10.0	2.5
8.	COPPER ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	117.8	19.5	137.5	18.9	14.1	8.1	25.5	6.8

TABLE 5.4 MEAN DISSOLVED METAL CONCENTRATION IN THE TRIBUTARIES  
BEFORE CONFLUENCE OF SONG RIVER

S.No.	METALS	BALDI		BANDAL		TAWA		BANGLA RAO	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	IRON (mg/l)	1.5	1.8	1.0	0.2	0.4	0.2	1.2	0.8
2.	LEAD ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	294.1	82.4	270.1	35.7	45.6	23.8	50.0	12.5
3.	ZINC ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	84.6	10.1	140.0	56.7	52.5	38.4	42.1	15.0
4.	CADMIUM ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	88.0	32.0	111.3	63.6	7.7	7.6	8.2	9.1
5.	MANGANESE ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	265.0	167.8	267.1	72.3	80.6	53.2	150.0	90.5
6.	NICKEL ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	60.7	32.5	73.2	19.0	10.7	7.8	7.5	4.0
7.	COBALT ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	75.6	46.2	93.9	24.5	7.5	8.9	7.0	2.5
8.	COPPER ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )	89.4	27.1	94.3	15.7	8.6	4.5	10.0	7.8

close observation of data.

- The variations in metal content in these tributaries reflect the gradient of heavy metal enrichment in the limestone deposits.
- The impact of mining activity was not significant in heavy metal enrichment in Song river, as the open cast mining at Sahashradhara has been stopped in 1983 and the treatment of P.P.C.L. mining return waters is being practiced.

#### 5.5.2 TRENDS OF TRACE METALS IN SONG RIVER:

Table 5.5 to Table 5.8 and Fig. 5.16 to Fig. 5.19 illustrate the trend of trace metals in the Song river from Maldevta to Satyanarayana. In general, metals are added both in dissolved form and in conjugation with suspended particulate matter. Trace metals exhibit a typical dilution pattern in the Song river, however, certain spatial and temporal variations worth mentioning, are as follows:

The contribution of metals like copper, cobalt, manganese, cadmium, nickel and lead is predominant in the suspended form in the stretch between Maldevta and Gularghati. This observation alongwith the increased dissolved metal fraction during post-monsoon and base flow seasons indicate that the area between Maldevta and Gularghati is rich in mineral deposits. However, the concentration of these metals decrease in the sub-stretch

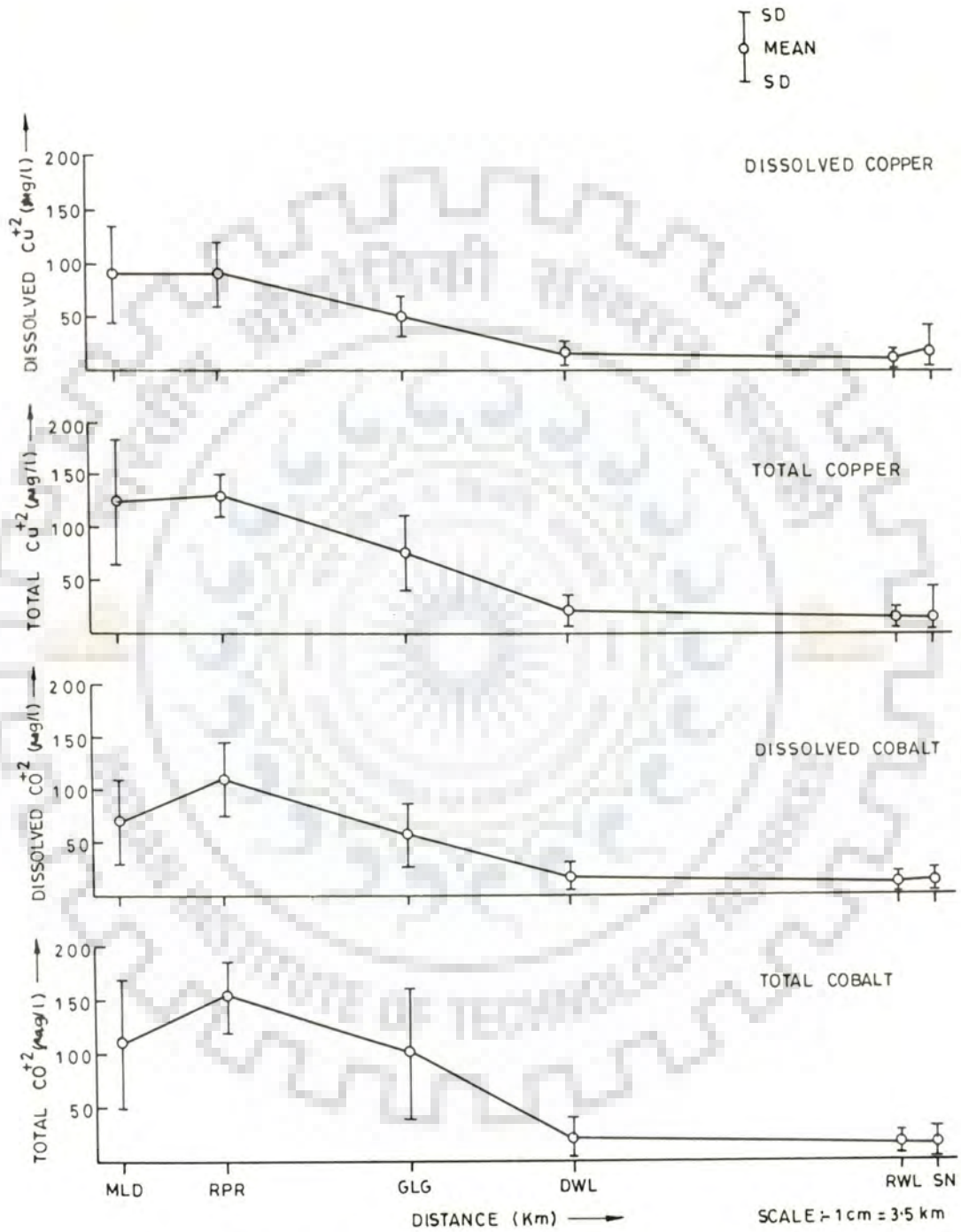


FIG. 5.16 - VARIATION IN TRACEMETALS

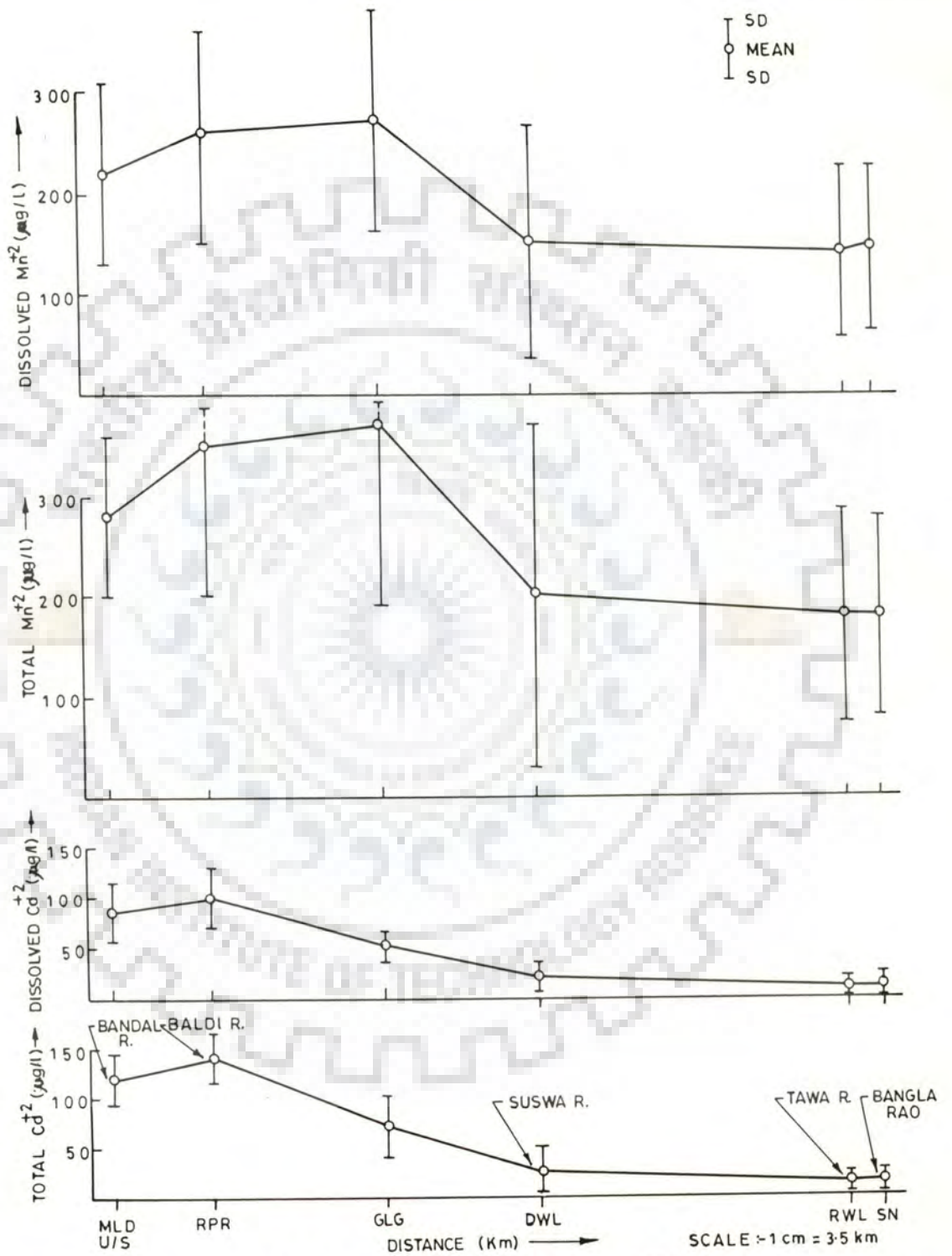


FIG.5.17-VARIATION IN TRACE METALS

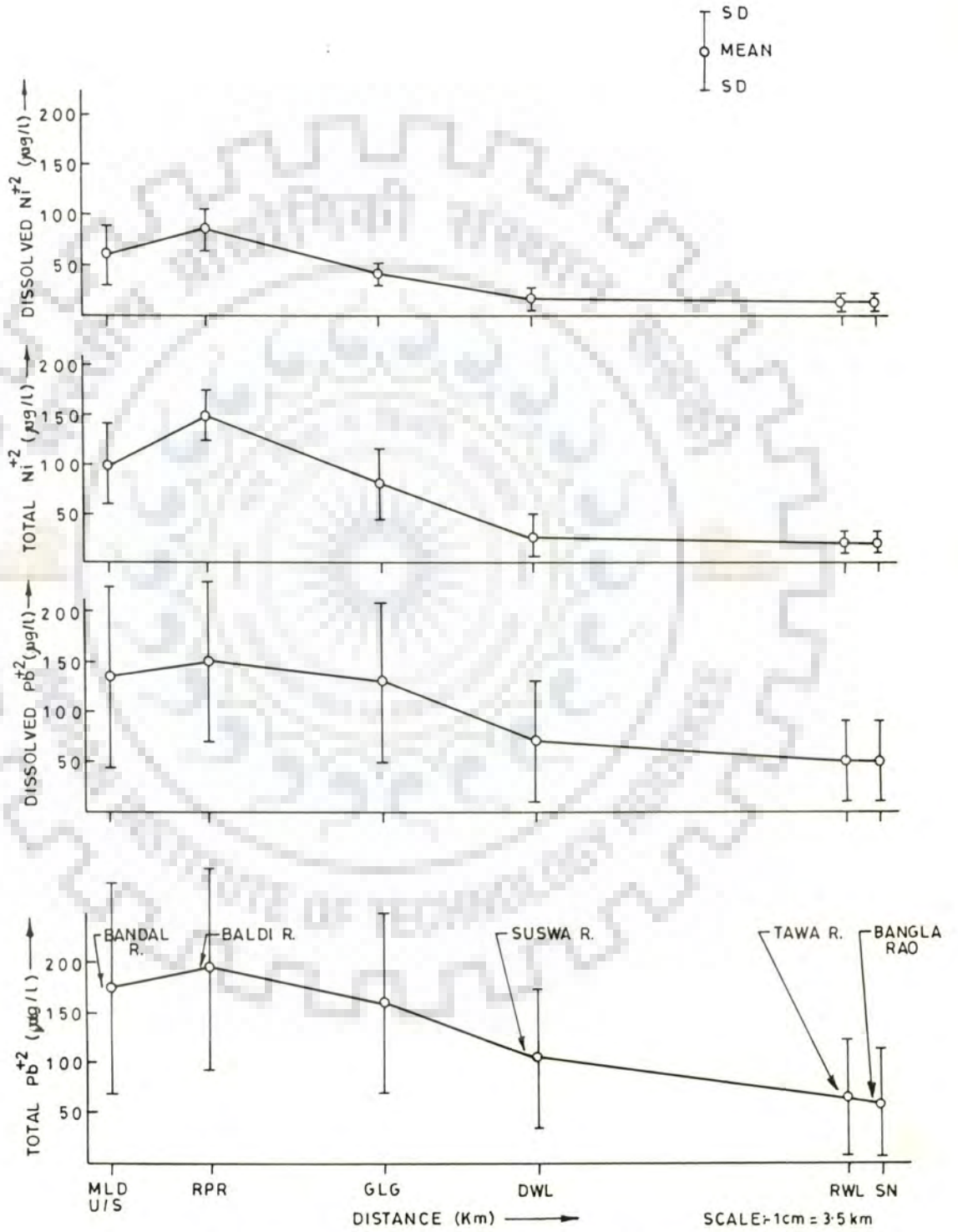


FIG. 5-18 - VARIATION IN TRACE METALS

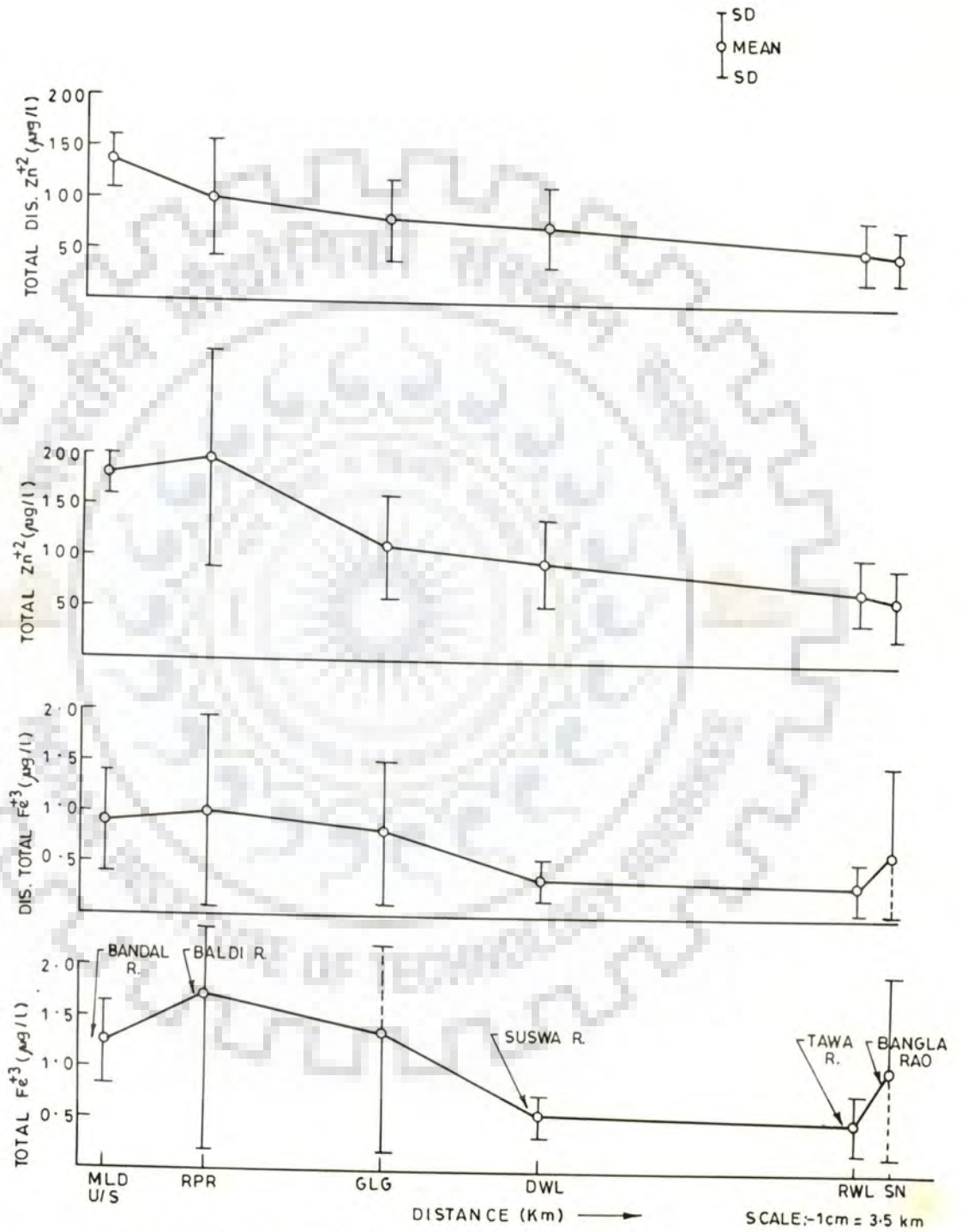


FIG. 5.19 - VARIATION IN TRACE METALS

TABLE 5.5 MEAN METAL CONCENTRATIONS IN SONG RIVER  
(Iron and Lead)

S.No.	STATIONS	IRON (mg/l)				LEAD ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total		Dissolved		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	MALDEVTA Song	1.25	0.40	0.88	0.50	175.1	106.1	136.6	85.9
2.	RAIPUR	1.68	1.90	0.96	0.87	192.3	101.8	148.7	82.2
3.	GULARGHATI	1.44	1.45	0.81	0.70	162.0	94.4	130.0	79.8
4.	DOIWALA	0.55	0.20	0.35	0.20	104.4	71.5	72.6	58.7
5.	RAILWALA	0.46	0.26	0.33	0.25	65.8	58.9	50.9	42.8
6.	SATYANARA- YANA	1.06	1.90	0.60	0.90	61.7	56.5	48.2	44.5

TABLE 5.6 MEAN METAL CONCENTRATION IN SONG RIVER  
(Zinc and Cadmium)

S.No.	STATIONS	ZINC ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )				CADMIUM ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total		Dissolved		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	MALDEVTA Song	180.0	20.9	137.4	24.0	120.2	27.4	87.0	29.1
2.	RAIPUR	195.6	105.4	100.0	54.9	137.7	32.8	102.6	28.6
3.	GULARGHATI	110.0	51.8	82.0	39.1	69.0	28.6	48.0	15.6
4.	DOIWALA	96.7	44.6	78.5	39.0	26.1	24.6	18.2	16.9
5.	RAIWALA	69.4	36.0	55.6	28.5	15.3	13.6	10.9	9.2
6.	SATYANARA- YANA	58.9	32.6	47.5	26.8	13.3	12.2	10.1	9.8

TABLE 5.7 MEAN METAL CONCENTRATIONS IN SONG RIVER

(Manganese and Nickel)

S.No.	STATIONS	MANGANESE ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )				NICKEL ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total		Dissolved		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	MALDEVTA Song	280.0	83.7	218.0	92.6	97.0	40.9	58.0	30.5
2.	RAIPUR	352.2	154.1	262.3	109.6	152.0	23.6	83.0	21.0
3.	GULARGHATI	372.1	181.8	270.3	111.9	81.1	36.4	39.7	11.3
4.	DOIWALA	201.6	171.4	150.1	117.6	26.0	19.1	14.0	7.9
5.	RAILWALA	179.7	105.9	142.3	86.3	19.0	9.6	11.2	5.1
6.	SATYANARA- YANA	182.8	102.2	146.4	79.3	17.2	8.7	9.4	4.3

TABLE 5.8 MEAN METAL CONCENTRATION IN SONG RIVER

(Cobalt and Copper)

S.No.	STATIONS	COBALT ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )				COPPER ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ )			
		Total		Dissolved		Total		Dissolved	
		Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
1.	MALDEVTA Song	116.1	61.7	73.0	43.1	124.1	60.8	88.8	46.0
2.	RAIPUR	155.1	32.8	108.9	34.1	128.1	19.1	92.6	29.1
3.	GULARGHATI	100.0	58.6	53.5	26.6	73.0	36.5	50.3	20.5
4.	DOIWALA	19.1	20.7	13.1	13.2	21.0	14.2	15.0	9.1
5.	RAIWALA	13.1	13.3	9.0	9.1	14.8	7.8	10.3	4.8
6.	SATYANARA- YANA	12.8	12.0	9.7	9.2	22.8	33.2	15.7	23.1



between Gularghati and Satyanarayana indicating the dilution caused from various tributaries in monsoon, post-monsoon seasons and recharge ground water during base flow regime.

The metals zinc and iron (Fig. 5.19) were added in suspended and dissolved forms althrough the stretch. More suspended fraction of the metals was added during monsoon season, and metals in dissolved form were added in post-monsoon and base flow seasons.

Among the tributaries, the prominent impact of trace metals on Baldi was visible at Raipur. Baldi adds maximum concentrations of heavy metals and this hinders the spatial and temporal variations in the stretch from Raipur to Doiwala. The total and dissolved fractions of trace metals studied showed an increase at Raipur except a decrease in dissolved zinc concentration. This decrease was due to the lesser amount of zinc in dissolved form carried through Baldi.

The Bangla Rao, the last tributary to join Song, adds more iron in both the forms. The other metals like copper, cadmium and manganese were added prominently in dissolved form.

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## 6.0 MINERAL INDICES

To represent the mineral transport and the impact of tributaries on the mineral profile of Ganga river an attempt has been made herein to indicate the river water quality by using physico chemical indices.

Water quality indices, in general, are formulated as a numerical scale to represent the gradations in water quality levels. An index, in general, is the comparison of a quantity to a scientific or arbitrary standard or to a pre-specified base (Lohani, 1984). Thus, the water quality indices mean, tools used to monitor and quantitatively report the environmental status and trends on the standards.

### 6.1 HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF WATER QUALITY INDICES

The concept of water quality indices started way back, in 1848 when attempts were made to correlate the levels of water purity with the occurrence of certain biological organisms. Since then, various countries have applied concepts depending on the amount of pollution present and the occurrence of organisms, to classify the waters flowing within their boundaries. These classifications, define waters as one of several pollution classes or levels. In contrast a concept of classification of a water body, based on use of a numerical scale to represent gradations of quality was pioneered by Horton in 1965 (Horton, 1965). The Horton's index provided basis for the development of

others in later years.

#### 6.1.1. IMPORTANCE OF WATER QUALITY INDICES:

Water quality indices (WQI) provide tangible information about the percentage of pollution or purity of waters, by avoiding huge amount of data to present the water quality.

Water quality indexing system also facilitates a better system for quality monitoring. For that the monitoring data must be shaped in to easy-to-understand indices for the top management and general public policy development. National Academy of Sciences (NAS, 1978) in a report by its Planning Committee on Environmental Indices, indicated that the environmental indices perform an active role

- in assigning policy information
- in assisting designing programs
- in facilitating communication with concerned people.

After reviewing the literature available on the subject, Ott (1978a) identified six basic uses of WQI as

- resource allocation,
- ranking of the location by comparing the environmental conditions at different locations or geographical areas,
- standard enforcement. Indices can be used to specific locations to determine the extent to which legislature standards and existing criteria are being met or exceeding,
- trend analysis. Indices can also be applied to

environmental data at different locations in time to determine the changes in environmental quality which have occurred over a period,

- public information. Indices can also be used to inform the public about the environmental conditions,
- scientific research. indices may be applied as a means for reducing large quantity of data to a form that gives insight to the research, conducting study of some environmental programs.

In otherwords, indices are the concise and objective tools to analyze the trends of water quality. Graphs of parameters against each other or against time are not concise and do not show the trends clearly because of data overlap and sheer volume.

#### 6.1.2 TYPES OF WATER QUALITY INDICES AND SELECTION OF FORMULATIONS:

The WQI were developed by individuals, agencies or organisations. Ott (1978b) suggested a classification in a generalised way (Table 6.1). This may have some differences of opinion.

- (i) General WQI are those based on the assumption that water quality is a general attribute of surface waters, irrespective of the use to which the water is put.
- (ii) Specific use WQI are those developed with respect to a specific use of the water body viz. irrigation, outdoor

TABLE 6.1 CLASSIFICATION OF WATER QUALITY INDICES  
(Ott, 1978)

Index Name	Reference	Number of Variables	Scale	Range	Index Name	Reference	Number of Variables	Scale	Range
<u>General WQI</u>					<u>Planning WQI</u>				
Water Quality Index	Horton	10	Decreasing	0 to 100	Prevalance Duration Intensity (PDI)	Truett et al	Any number can be included	Increasing	0 to 1
NSE WQI	Brown et al	9	Decreasing	0 to 100	National Planning Priorities Index (NPAI)	.	.	.	.
River Pollution Index	Mc Duffie and Haney	8	Increasing	0 to 1000+	Priority Action Index	.	.	.	.
Implicit Pollution Index	Prati et al	13	Increasing	0 to 15+	Environmental Evolution System (EES)	Dee et al	78	Decreasing	0 to 1000
Social Accounting System	Dinius	11	Decreasing	0 to 100	Canadian National Index	Inhaber	Any number can be included	Increasing	0 to 1
<u>Specific Use WQI</u>									
Fish and Wildlife Index (FAWI)	O'Connor	9	Decreasing	0 to 100	Potential Pollution Index	Zeotman	3	Increasing	0 to 1000+
Public Water Supply Index (PWS)	O'Connor	13	Decreasing	0 to 100	Pollution Index (PI)	Johanson & Johanson	Any number can be included	Increasing	0 to 1000+
Index for Public Water Supply	Deininger & Landwehr	11/13	Decreasing	0 to 100	<u>Statistical Method</u>				
Index for Recreation	Walski & Parker	12	Decreasing	0 to 1	Composite Pollution Index	Shoji et al	18	Increasing	-2 to 2
Index for Dual Water Uses	Stoner	31	Decreasing	-100 to 100	Index for Partial Nutrients	Joung et al	5	Decreasing	0 to 100
Index for Three Uses	Nemerow & Sunitorno	14	Increasing	0 to 1+	Index for Total Nutrients	.	5	Decreasing	0 to 100
					Principal Component Analysis	Coughlin et al	Any number can be included	N.A.	N.A.
					Harkin's Index	Harkins	.	Increasing	0 to 100+
					Beta Function Index	Schaeffer & Janardan	.	Increasing	0 to 9

bathing, drinking.

(iii) Planning WQI are those generated for management purpose for decision making. They are basically custom designed to assist the user in making specific decisions and in solving specific problems.

(iv) Statistical approaches are mainly based on either factor analysis or non parametric multivariate transforms.

In addition, some agencies have developed their own indices with variation in parameters, rating, weightages and the form of aggregation of sub-indices (Ott, 1978b). Some of them, however, do not fall exactly under the category of General WQI. These indices include the Trend Monitoring Index (TMI) of Georgia's Department of National Resources (Environmental Pollution Division), Pollution Index (PI) of Illinois Department of Transportation Division of Water Resource Management, and the Water Quality Index developed by Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality.

In India Bhargava (1983 and 1985) developed two specific use indices for Ganga waters. Wariyar (1986) has calculated a general WQI to show the pollution levels in Ganga river in a 30 km stretch from Rishikesh to Haridwar. In this index the formulations of NSF-WQI with a weighted arithmetic aggregation function was used with modifications in weightages. The rating scale of Horton's index was modified and the formulations were

applied to the Hindon river system, U.P. by Singhal et al (1986). The impact of community bathing on Ganga river at Haridwar during Kumbh Mela (1986) was shown by Ganga Project team of Roorkee University, U.P., India. The formulations of Mc Duffie's River Pollution Index and Harkin's index based on statistical approaches were used for the calculation of these indices.

Calculation of a single index which includes important physico-chemical parameters and show the mineral trend with respect to time and space concisely has been planned. The formulations of the reported general WQI and statistical approaches were considered. The variables included are presented in Table 6.2. From the perusal of the information one can visualise that no index among the reported is suitable. Hence, it was planned to calculate a mineral index by taking suitable formulations.

Table 6.3 illustrates the mathematical characteristics of the seven general WQI reported in literature. The principle behind the index calculation, the main formulations and the flexibility to include or exclude any parameter is presented in Table 6.4.

Out of the seven general WQI, the NSF-WQI is the most widely used and accepted index. It was not considered for the present mineral index, because of its limited parametric flexibility. Though the NSF-WQI was considered to have less



TABLE 6.2 VARIABLES USED IN GENERAL WATER QUALITY INDICES

VARIABLES	Horton	NSFWQI	Prati <u>et al</u>	Mc Duf- fie <u>et al</u>	Dinius	Dee <u>et al</u>
<b>Physical</b>						
pH	*	*	*		*	*
Temperature	*	*		*	*	*
Conductivity	*			*	*	*
Turbidity		*				*
Dissolved Solids			*			*
Suspended Solids		*				*
Total Solids					*	
Color						*
Other						
<b>Chemical</b>						
D.O.	*	*	*	*	*	*
C.O.D.			*	*	*	*
B.O.D. <sub>5</sub>		*	*	*	*	*
Alkalinity	*				*	
Hardness			*		*	
Chlorides	*					
Sulfates					*	
Phosphates		*				
Fluorides						
Nitrogen				*		
Ammonical			*			
Nitrite			*			
Nitrate		*	*		*	*
Other				*		
Oil and grease						
Phenol				*		
ABS			*			
CCE	*		*			
Iron			*			
Manganese			*	*		*
Other			*			
<b>Biological</b>						
Fecal coliform		*			*	*
Total coliform	*			*	*	

TABLE 6.3 MATHEMATICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF GENERAL WQI

INDEX	SUBINDICES	AGGREGATION FUNCTION	COMMENTS
Horton	Segmented Linear	Weighted sum multiplied by two dichotomous terms	Eclipsing Region
NSF WQI	Implicit Nonlinear	Weighted sum	Eclipsing Region
Landwehr <u>et al</u>	Implicit Nonlinear	Weighted product	Nonlinear
Mc Duffie and Haney	Linear	Weighted sum	Eclipsing Region
Prati <u>et al</u>	Segmented Nonlinear	Weighted sum (Arithmetic mean)	Eclipsing Region
Dinius	Nonlinear (Linear, Power)	Weighted sum	Eclipsing Region
Dee <u>et al</u>	Implicit Nonlinear	Weighted sum	Eclipsing Region

TABLE 6.4 FORMULATIONS AND THE PARAMETER FLEXIBILITY IN THE REPORTED GENERAL WATER QUALITY INDICES

INDEX	FORMULATIONS	PRINCIPLE	PARAMETER FLEXIBILITY
Horton's	$QI = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i I_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i}$	Rating & Weightages based on author's judgement	Any parameter can be included or excluded
NSF WQI	$WQI_a = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i I_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i}$	Rating & Weightages based on experts opinion poll	Parameters were fixed
Pratis's implicit Index of Pollution	$I = \frac{1}{13} \sum_{i=1}^{13} I_i$	Explicit Mathematical function for sub-index values have been developed on the basis of author's own judgement on severity of pollution	Parameters are fixed
McDuffie's River Pollution Index (RPI)	$RPI = \frac{10}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$	Sub-indices were calculated by dividing the parameter value with a control value (standard) and multiplying with a factor to put the index value in a scale	Any parameter can be included or excluded
Dinius Social Accounting System	$I = \frac{1}{21} \sum_{i=1}^{21} W_i I_i$	Subindex functions and weightages taken were based on the author's evaluation of the importance of each pollutant variable	Any parameter can be included or excluded

subjectivity as compared to other WQI, the number of mineral parameters included were less (Table 6.2). Out of the remaining indices, the formulations of Horton's index and Mc Duffie's RPI were considered because of the extent of parameter flexibility. The statistical approaches were also adopted for calculating the proposed mineral indices.

## 6.2 INDICES SELECTED

Two general WQI viz. Horton's index, Mc Duffie's RPI were calculated for the Ganga river in the present study. Horton's index based on non-parametric multivariate transforms was also calculated. For these indices the limits were modified. The modifications done in the present study are discussed in the following paragraphs.

### 6.2.1 HORTON'S INDEX:

Horton proposed the first formal WQI for evaluating abatement programs and to provide public information. According to him the indices based on rating system can offer a means for measuring pollution abatement progress since the condition of the stream at any time can be compared with the condition that is expected or planned for future. Thus the indices are useful for administrative purpose and for public communication. He opined that the stream classifications were misleading as they did not allow for gradations in conditions. The lack of agreement among different agencies as standard setting criteria

makes such classification systems unworkable. To avoid these problems of connotation Horton proposed an index based on rating of water quality on comparative basis.

In Horton's index 10 variables were included by following the selection criteria

- the number of variables should be limited to avoid the index becoming bulky
- the variables should be of significance in most parts of the country
- the variables should reflect the availability of the data

The variables with their respective weightage and break points of rating scale of variable of Horton's index for the Ohio River Sanitation Commission's data is presented in Table 6.5 and Table 6.6.

Horton's WQI uses a linear sum aggregation function. It consists of the weighted sum of the sub-indices divided by the sum of the weights and multiplied by two coefficients  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ . These coefficients reflect the temperature of the water body and the offensive conditions respectively. The formulation used was

$$W.Q.I. = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i I_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n W_i}$$

The break points of rating scale and the weightages assigned to the variables were based on the author's judgment.

TABLE 6.5 WEIGHTAGES FOR HORTON WATER QUALITY INDEX (Horton, 1965)

PARAMETER	WEIGHTAGES
Dissolved Oxygen	4
Sewage Treatment (per % population served)	4
p <sup>H</sup>	4
Coliforms	2
Specific conductance	1
Carbon chloroform extract	1
Alakalinity	1
Chloride	1

TABLE 6.6 BREAKPOINTS FOR HORTON'S WQI (Horton, 1965)

I	D.O. (%)	COLI- FORM (MPN/ 100ml)	CC14 EX- TRACT (0.001)	p <sup>H</sup>	SPECI- FIC COND. (μ m)	ALAKA- LINITY (mg/l)	CHLOR- IDES (mg/l)	SEWAGE TREAT-	COEFFI- CIENTS
100	>7.0	<1000	0-100	6-8	0-750	20-100	0-100	95-100	If temp >
80	50-70	1500- 5000	100- 200	5-6; 8-9	750- 1500	5-20; 100- 200	100- 175	80-95	criti- cal value
60	30-50	5000- 10000	200- 300	4-5; 9-10	1500- 2500	0-5; >200	175- 200	70-80	M1=½ other- wise
30	10-30	10000- 20000	300- 400					60-70	M1=1
0	<10	>20, 000	>400	<4; >10	>2500	Acid	>250	<50	If ob- vious pollu- tion is present M2=½ other- wise M2=1

Singhal et al (1986) have modified the rating procedure and the weights with inclusion of few more parameters in their index calculated for Hindon river quality data. They considered total dissolved solids, conductivity, pH, dissolved oxygen percentage saturation, chemical oxygen demand, biochemical oxygen demand, ammonical nitrogen, nitrate nitrogen, nitrite nitrogen, phosphates, chlorides, sulfates, cadmium, lead and chromium. They fixed the rating scale from 100 to 400, where 100 was the permissible (or allowable) values for a specified parameter for an arbitrary defined use and 400 was the cut off value which corresponds to the highly objectionable concentration of specified parameter. The coefficients of temperature and obvious pollution have been eliminated as they were less sensitive in the study. The formulation used was as follows:

$$WQI_i = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Q_i w_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i}$$

where  $Q_i$  = Rating values of the  $i$ th parameter  
 $w_i$  = Assigned weightage of the  $i$ th parameter  
 $n$  = Number of parameters included.

The rating value of the  $i$ th parameter was computed as

$$Q_i = 300[(X - X_1)/(X_2 - X_1)] \times 400$$

where  $X_2$  = Concentration of  $i$ th parameter corresponding to 400 on rating scale.

$X_i$  = Concentration of  $i$ th parameter corresponding to 100 on rating scale.

$X$  = Observed concentration of  $i$ th parameter.

The minimum and maximum and the corresponding weightages were fixed on the basis of available literature, the experience of author and his associates and the maximum observed value of the particular parameter.

#### Procedures Adopted in the Present Study:

Following procedure was followed in calculation of mineral indices using Ganga river data.

In general, the permissible limits of variable were taken as the minimum and maximum values of the rating scale. For the variables where the limits are not existing, some arbitrary standards on the basis of experience were fixed. The rating scales were so chosen that each parameter was assigned a rating value corresponding to the observed concentration of the parameter. These rating scales for different parameters were also expressed mathematically in terms of measured mineral concentrations and the rating scale was expressed in the range of 100 to 400. The corresponding minimum and maximum value of  $i$ th parameter was chosen from the observed data of Ganga and Song rivers. The minimum of the scale 100, was the minimum value of the  $i$ th parameter observed in Ganga river. The maximum value of the scale 400, corresponds to the maximum observed value in Ganga



and Song rivers. The rating scale was shown graphically in Fig. 6.1.

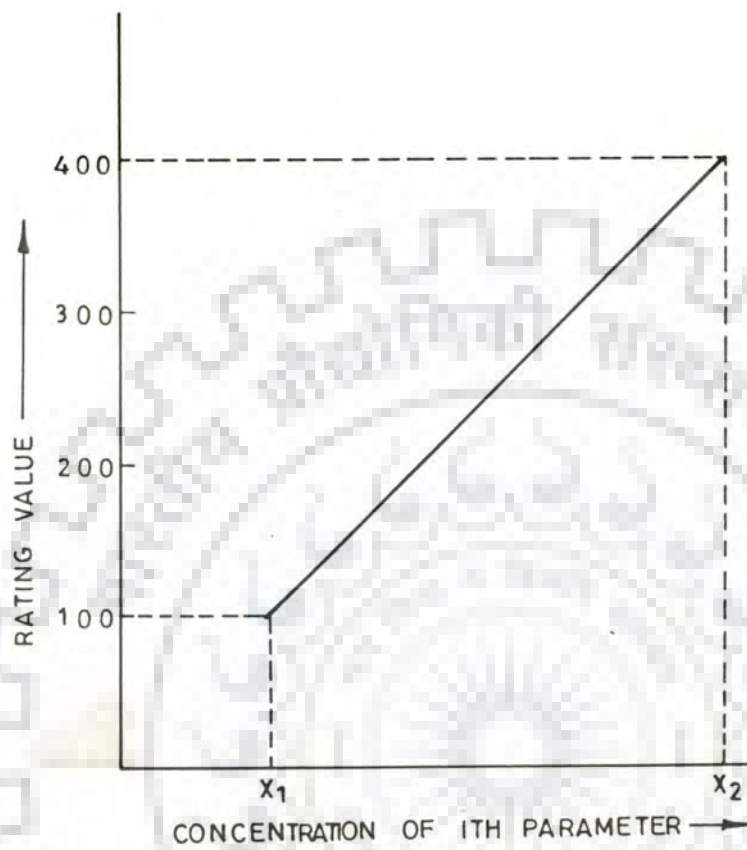
Weightages to the parameters, in general, were assigned on their relative importance. The weightages were proposed over a range of 1 to 5. The range was in increasing order of relative importance of the parameter.

To minimize the subjectivity in the proposed index, opinion poll was conducted to establish the rating scale and weightages.

A questionnaire was sent to the persons working in the field in the country. The objectives of the proposed index and the observed minimum and maximum values of parameters in the present study were enclosed with the questionnaire. The questionnaire is presented as Table 6.7. The experts were asked to give their opinion on:

- (a) whether the proposed index, aimed chiefly, to show the mineral transport was feasible or not,
- (b) if yes, what parameters were relevant out of the following parameters monitored in the present study

p <sup>H</sup>		Sodium	(mg/l)
ORP		Potassium	(mg/l)
Conductivity	( $\mu$ mhos)	Iron	( $\mu$ g/l)
Total Dissolved Solids	(mg/l)	Cadmium	( $\mu$ g/l)
Bicarbonates	(mg/l)	Lead	( $\mu$ g/l)
Carbonates	(mg/l)	Zinc	( $\mu$ g/l)



#### MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION

$$\text{Rating Value } Q = 300 \left( \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \right) + 100$$

$x_1$  = The minimum concentration limit of ith parameter

$x_2$  = The maximum concentration limit of ith parameter

$x$  = Observed value of the ith parameter

If  $x \leq x_1$ ,  $Q = 100$

$x > x_2$ ,  $Q = 400$

FIG. 6.1—GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF RATING EQUATION

TABLE 6.7 QUESTIONNAIRE

S.No.	PARAMETER	RELEVANT	IRRELEVANT	If relevant, what weightage is to be assigned					What value out of minimum values listed to be assigned as 100	What value out of maximum values listed to be assigned as 400
				1	2	3	4	5		
1.	pH									
2.	Conductance									
3.	Dissolved solids									
4.	Total cations(me/l)									
5.	Bicarbonates									
6.	Carbonates									
7.	Chlorides									
8.	Sulfates									
9.	Phosphate									
10.	Nitrates									
11.	Calcium									
12.	Magnesium									
13.	Sodium									
14.	Potassium									
15.	Iron									
16.	Zinc									
17.	Cadmium									
18.	Copper									
19.	Lead									
20.	Cobalt									
21.	Manganese									
22.	Nickel									

Experts were asked to tick in the relevant and weightage columns and write the values corresponding to 100 and 400 rating values, according to their personal opinion.

Chlorides	(mg/l)	Cobalt	( $\mu$ g/l)
Sulfates	(mg/l)	Nickel	( $\mu$ g/l)
Ammonical nitrogen	(mg/l)	Manganese	( $\mu$ g/l)
Nitrate nitrogen	(mg/l)	Copper	( $\mu$ g/l)
Nitrite nitrogen	(mg/l)	Total anions	(me/l)
Phosphates	(mg/l)	Total cations	(me/l)
Calcium	(mg/l)		
Magnesium	(mg/l)		

(c) if the parameter was relevant, what values one would suggest as  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  for the rating scale. The observed minimum and maximum values in Ganga and Song rivers were provided for reference,

(d) what weightage over a range of 1 to 5 should to be assigned to the relative parameters in their opinion.

The response received was analysed and the rating scale and weightages of relevant parameters established. The following criteria was followed:

- (i) The parameter suggested by more than 50 percent of the experts as relevant were considered.
- (ii) The mean  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  values suggested by experts for the rating curve of  $i$ th parameter were considered.
- (iii) The mean values of the suggested weightages were fixed for parameters.

The rating scales, weightages for the selected parameters

were thus fixed. The selected water quality parameters, weighting factors and rating curve equations used are presented in Table 6.8.

The raw data of physico-chemical parameters, stationwise, was stored in computer (DEC 20, Roorkee University Regional Computer Centre) through a software developed. The flow chart for the program involved in the calculation of Horton's index is illustrated in Fig. 6.2 and the program developed is given in Appendix 5.

#### 6.2.2 MC DUFFIE'S RIVER POLLUTION INDEX:

Mc Duffie and Haney (1973) have proposed a simple index which would provide a measurement and picture of river water quality at any instant, the trends over a time and a way to compare different rivers as well. The River Pollution Index has been applied on a test basis using the data from Newyork State's Water Quality Surveillance Net Work and from other sources, and has been calculated for streams located on the Susquehanna, Genesee, Dalaware, Moliawk and Hundson rivers. On Susquehanna river, the index reflected the impact of the sewage outfall at Binghampton, New York, by showing distinct upstream and downstream differences (Ott, 1978b).

In Mc Duffie's River Pollution Index, the sub-index for the  $i$ th parameter is based on the ratio of the measured concentration to its natural level. The natural level is the normal value of

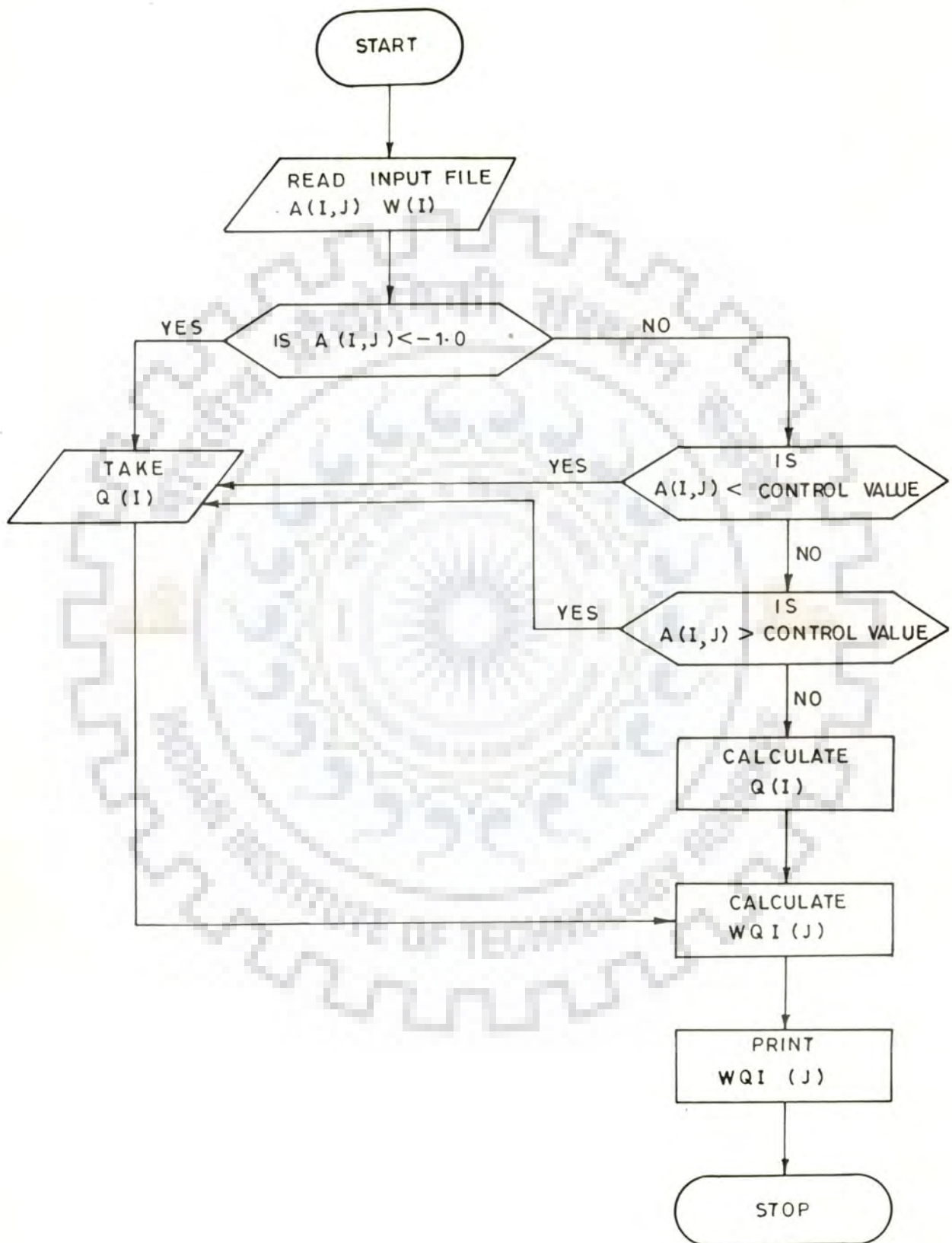


FIG. 6.2—FLOW CHART FOR THE CALCULATION OF HORTON'S INDEX

TABLE 6.8 SELECTED WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS, WEIGHTAGE FACTORS AND RATING EQUATIONS USED IN PRESENT STUDY

PARAMETER	UNIT	WEIGHT	RATING		RATING CURVE EQUATION
			100 (X1)	400 (X2)	
pH	-	2.5	7.0	9.0	$Q_{pH}(I) = \{30/49[p^H(I)-7]\} + 100$
Total Diss. Solids	mg/l	2.5	10.0	500.0	$Q_{TDS}(I) = \{30/49[TDS(I)-10]\} + 100$
Bicarbonates	mg/l	3.0	20.0	300.0	$Q_{Bicarbonates} = \{30/28[Bicarb(I)-20]\} + 100$
Carbonates	mg/l	1.5	1.0	20.0	$Q_{carbonates} = \{15.79[Carb(I)-1]\} + 100$
Chlorides	mg/l	3.0	5.0	30.0	$Q_{chlorides} = \{12[Cl(I)-5]\} + 100$
Sulfates	mg/l	3.5	10.0	200.0	$Q_{sulfates} = \{15.79[Sulfate(I)-10]\} + 100$
Calcium	mg/l	3.0	10.0	200.0	$Q_{calcium} = \{15.79[Calcium(I)-10]\} + 100$
Magnesium	mg/l	3.0	2.0	50.0	$Q_{Magnesium} = \{6.25[Magnesium(I)-2]\} + 100$
Sodium	mg/l	3.0	2.0	10.0	$Q_{Sodium} = \{37.5[Sodium(I)-2]\} + 100$
Cadmium	µg/l	4.0	0.0	50.0	$Q_{Cadmium} = \{6[Cadmium(I)]\} + 100$
Manganese	µg/l	3.5	50.0	100.0	$Q_{Manganese} = \{6[Manganese(I)-50]\} + 100$
Nickel	µg/l	3.5	5.0	100.0	$Q_{Nickel} = \{3.15[Nickel(I)-5]\} + 100$
Total anions	me/l	2.0	1.0	10.0	$Q_{Total\ anions} = \{33.3[Total\ A(I)-1]\} + 100$
Total cations	me/l	2.0	1.0	10.0	$Q_{Total\ cations} = \{33.3[Total\ C(I)-1]\} + 100$

the  $i$ th parameter in 'good' or 'unpolluted water'. Sub-index is calculated as

$$I_i = 10 [X/XN]_i$$

$X$  = Observed value of the  $i$ th parameter

$XN$  = Normal value of the  $i$ th parameter

The multiplication by 10 is a scaling factor to make the sub-index to vary from 10 (natural level) to 100 (highly polluted level).

River Pollution Index was calculated as

$$RPI = \frac{10}{n + 1} \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$$

$n$  = Number of parameters included

The purpose of multiplying factor  $(10/n + 1)$  is to make the index vary from 100 to 1000 on an increasing scale.

In the present study the original formulations were applied on the selected parameters from the opinion poll for the index calculation. The  $X_i$  values fixed for the  $i$ th parameter in Horton's index of the present study were taken as the natural or normal value of the  $i$ th parameter in the River Pollution Index. Sub-index functions are shown mathematically in Table 6.9.

A computer program was developed to calculate the River Pollution Index. Flow chart of the computer program is given in Fig. 6.3. and the program developed is given in Appendix 6.



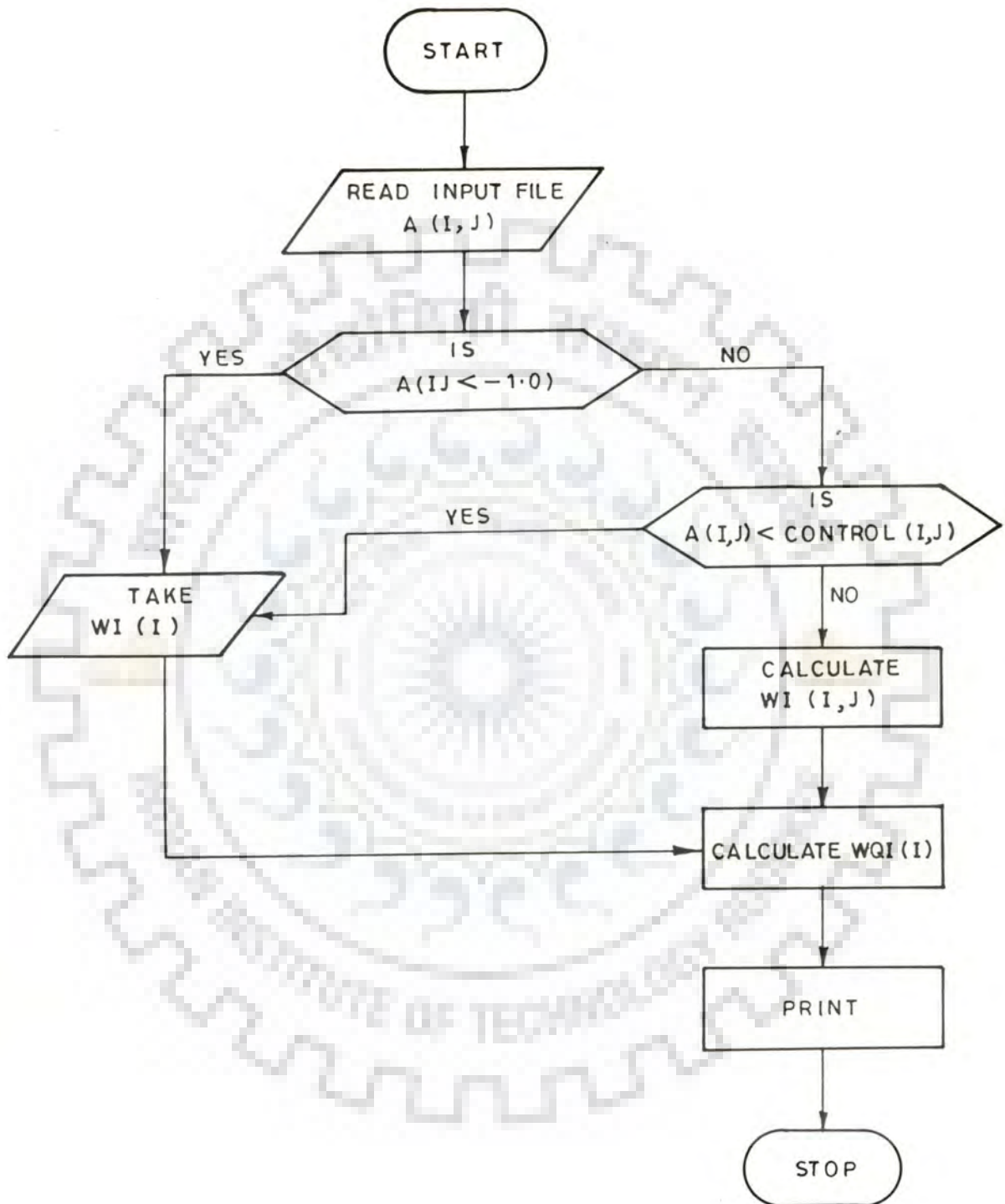


FIG. 6.3—FLOW CHART FOR THE CALCULATION OF M C DUFFIE'S  
DUFFIE'S RIVER POLLUTION INDEX

TABLE 6.9 MATHEMATICAL FUNCTIONS FOR SUB-INDICES OF RIVER POLLUTION INDEX IN THE PRESENT STUDY

S.No.	PARAMETER	SUB-INDEX FUNCTION	
1.	p <sup>H</sup>	$Q_{p^H}(I) = p^H(I) [10/7]$	I=1,n
2.	Total dissolved solids	$QTDS(I) = [TDS(I)$	I=1,n
3.	Bicarbonates	$QBicarb. = Bicarbonate(I)/2$	I=1,n
4.	Carbonates	$QCarb. = Carbonate(I) \times 10$	I=1,n
5.	Chlorides	$Qchl. = Chloride(I) \times 2$	I=1,n
6.	Sulfates	$Qsulf. = Sulfate(I)$	I=1,n
7.	Calcium	$QCal. = Calcium(I)$	I=1,n
8.	Magnesium	$QMagn. = Magnesium(I) \times 5$	I=1,n
9.	Sodium	$QSod. = Sodium(I) \times 5$	I=1,n
10.	Cadmium	$QCad. = Cadmium(I) \times 10$	I=1,n
11.	Manganese	$QMang. = Manganese(I)/5$	I=1,n
12.	Nickel	$QNickel = Nickel(I) \times 2$	I=1,n
13.	Total anions	$QTA = Total A (I) \times 10$	I=1,n
14.	Total cations	$QTC = Total C (I) \times 10$	I=1,n

### 6.2.3 STATISTICAL APPROACHES:

Numerical approaches to calculate WQI, based on statistical analysis, have been suggested in the literature to evaluate and interpret the water quality data. The statistical approaches, by and large, have the advantage that they incorporate fewer subjective assumptions than the traditional indices, however, they are more complex and often difficult to apply. Recent literature enlightens the importance of these approaches in calculation of Water Quality Indices. Among these approaches, factor analysis was applied to the Yodo river system (Shoji et al, 1966) to examine the inter relationships among 20 variables. The principal component analysis was also applied for development of two Water Quality Indices by Schaeffer and Janardan (1977). In 1974, Harkin presented a methodology based on the rank order observations. A WQI for Chao Phraya river, Thailand was calculated by Lohani (1984) by using factor analysis. Box-Jenkins time series analysis in combination with non-parametric transforms were used by Lohani (1987) for monthly water quality data of Chung Kang river.

Among the statistical approaches, the method used by Harkin was considered in the present study.

#### 6.2.3.1 Harkin's Index:

Harkin's approach was based on a distribution free statistical procedure for mapping p-measurements on an objective

onto a line so that existing differences in location in p-space can be observed and more clearly defined. The only hindrance in this method was that the numbers generated in one evaluation cannot be directly compared with those generated by different run. In such cases, the two sets of raw data must be combined and a new evaluation of the total data set has to be made.

#### Procedures Followed to Calculate Harkin's Index for Ganga and Song Rivers:

The procedure adopted to calculate Harkin's index in the present study is summarized in the following steps.

- (1) The parameter used in the calculation of mineral indices of present study were considered for the Harkin's index also, with the exception of  $p^H$ .
- (2) For each parameter, a minimum point was chosen as a control value based on opinion poll.
- (3) The values of  $i$ th water quality parameter observed in Ganga and Song rivers were arranged in an ascending order. These included values of tributaries Mandakini, Nandakini and Bhagirathi as well. The observations were ranked including the control value. The observations which were equal or lesser than the control were considered as tied ranks. Similarly, the repeated values of the observations were also considered as tied ranks. For each set of tied ranks the rank value was the average of the assigned ranks. The

number of ties and the number of values constituting a tie were accounted in the calculation of standard rank variance. The ranking procedure followed for manganese is presented in Table 6.10 as an example.

- (4) The standard rank variance was computed for the  $i$ th parameter using the equation

$$S_i = \frac{1}{12n} [(n^2 - n) - \sum_{i=1}^q t_i(t_i^3 - t)]$$

Here  $n$  = Number of values of  $i$ th parameter  
 $t$  = Number of ties (repeated values)  
 $q$  = Number of separate occurrence of ties

- (5) For each parameter the transforms were calculated as

$$Z_{ij} = \frac{R_{ij} - R_{ic}}{S_i}$$

Here  $R_{ij}$  = Rank of  $j$ th observation of  $i$ th parameter  
 $R_{ic}$  = Rank of control value of  $i$ th parameter  
 $S_i$  = Standard rank variance of  $i$ th parameter

The transforms calculated for manganese in the present study was given in Table 6.11 as an example.

- (6) Harkin's index value was computed by the equation

$$WQI_i = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_{ij}^2$$

TABLE 6.10 RANKING PROCEDURES OF MANGANESE

Value	Rank	Average Rank	Value	Rank	Average Rank	Value	Rank	Average Rank	Value	Rank	Average Rank
C 50	1	34	37	51	34	124	101		350	151	151.5
2	2	34	36	52	34	130	102	102.5	350	152	151.5
6	3	34	38	53	34	130	103	102.5	375	153	
6	4	34	39	54	34	131	104		400	154	156.5
7	5	34	39	55	34	132	105		400	155	156.5
7.5	6	34	40	56	34	135	106		400	156	156.5
7.5	7	34	40	57	34	138	107		400	157	156.5
8	8	34	42	58	34	140	108		400	158	156.5
8	9	34	43	59	34	145	109		400	159	156.5
8.5	10	34	44	60	34	150	110	110.5	405	160	160.5
8.5	11	34	45	61	34	150	111	110.5	405.5	161	160.5
8.5	12	34	45.5	62	34	157	112	112.5	410	162	
8.7	13	34	47	63	34	157	113	112.5	415.5	163	
9	14	34	48.5	64	34	168.5	114		417	164	
11	15	34	50	65	34	175	115		420	165	
11	16	34	50	66	34	175.5	116		441	166	
11	17	34	50	67	34	176	117		461	167	
11.5	18	34	52	68		200	118	121	465	168	
11.5	19	34	58	69		200	119	121	500	169	171
12	20	34	59	70		200	120	121	500	170	171
12.5	21	34	62.8	71		200	121	121	500	171	171
14	22	34	63	72	72.5	200	122	121	500	172	171
14	23	34	63	73	72.5	200	123	121	500.5	173	171
14.5	24	34	69	74	74.5	200	124	121	512	174	
15	25	34	69	65	74.5	210	125		520	175	
15	26	34	70	76	76.5	250	126	127	550	176	176.5
18	27	34	70	77	76.5	250	127	127	550.5	177	176.5
20	28	34	71	78		250	128	127	559	178	
20	29	34	73	79		259	129		600.5	179	
20	30	34	75	80	80.5	264	130		650	180	180.5
20	31	34	75	81	80.5	265	131		650	181	180.5
21	32	34	81	82		275	132	132.5	665.5	182	
21	33	34	87	83		275	133	132.5	675.5	183	
21.3	34	34	88	84		280	134				
22	35	34	91	85		289	135				
22.5	36	34	95	86		300	136	140			
23	37	34	96	87		300	137	140			
24	38	34	99	88		300	138	140			
24	39	34	100	89	90.5	300	139	140			
25	40	34	100	90	90.5	300	140	140			
25	41	34	100	91	90.5	300	140	140			
27.5	42	34	100.5	92	90.5	300	142	140			
28	43	34	102	93		300.5	143	140			
30	44	34	106	94		300.5	144	140			
30	45	34	107.2	95		310.8	145				
30	46	34	110	96		318	146				
30.5	47	34	114	97		325	147	147.5			
33	48	34	115	98		325	148	147.5			
34	49	34	118.5	99		332	149				
35	50	34	120	100		350	150				

Table 6.11 Transforms (Manganese)

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Stations	Aug85	Oct85	Dec85	Feb8	Apr86	Aug86	Oct86	Dec86
SONG RIVER								
1.Sahashradhara (Baldi)	7.85	4.10	3.16	NA	NA	5.00	NA	NA
2.Sahashradhara (Sulfur spring)	8.11	7.07	4.10	NA	NA	5.18	NA	NA
3.Sahashradhara (Baldi A/C)	8.00	5.99	3.54	NA	NA	5.09	NA	NA
4.Maldevta U/S (Bandal)	5.50	6.08	NA	NA	NA	3.54	NA	NA
5.Maldevta U/S (Song A/C)	1.78	5.51	4.10	NA	NA	4.10	NA	NA
6.Maldevta D/S (Baldi)	7.85	5.51	NA	NA	NA	5.51	NA	NA
7.Raipur	6.27	5.00	4.50	NA	NA	1.71	NA	NA
8.Gularghati	7.69	4.71	4.10	NA	NA	1.90	NA	NA
9.Doiwala	6.81	4.10	3.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10.Raiwala (Tawa)	1.17	1.78	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.14	1.17
11.Raiwala (Song A/C)	4.71	1.78	1.78	0.00	0.79	4.10	3.03	1.32
12.Sstyanarayana	4.10	2.30	1.78	0.00	0.66	3.65	1.78	1.17
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GANGA RIVER								
1.Nandaprayag (Alaknanda B/C)	NA	1.06	0.00	0.00	2.06	6.56	0.00	0.00
2.Nandaprayag (Nandakini)	NA	0.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.54	0.00	0.00
3.Nandaprayag (Alaknanda A/C)	NA	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.18	0.00	0.00
4.Rudraprayag (Alaknanda B/C)	NA	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.44	3.37	0.00	0.00
5.Rudraprayag (Mandakini)	NA	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.34	0.00	0.00
6.Srinagar	NA	0.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.83	0.00	0.00
7.Devprayag (Alaknanda B/C)	NA	1.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.16	0.00	0.00
8.Devprayag (Bhagirathi)	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.36	0.00	0.00
9.Devprayag (Alaknanda A/C)	NA	2.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10.Rishikesh	NA	1.71	0.00	0.00	1.45	6.37	0.00	0.00
11.Satyanarayana	3.44	0.00	1.27	0.00	0.71	3.16	NA	0.00
12.Balawali	NA	1.03	0.00	1.64	0.84	4.58	0.91	0.00
13.Bijnor	NA	1.31	2.00	0.00	0.95	1.95	3.23	0.88
14.Garhmukteshwar	NA	1.59	0.99	0.66	0.47	6.50	0.00	0.00
15.Anupshahar	NA	1.78	0.79	2.14	0.42	5.80	0.00	0.00
16.Rajghat	NA	2.52	0.00	0.00	2.00	7.58	0.00	NA

### 6.3 COMPARISON OF THE MINERAL INDICES CALCULATED AND THE TREND IN THE STUDY AREA

To get more insight into the mineral transport in the Upper Ganga Basin and to visualize the contribution of heavy metals in the index value, the indices were calculated separately by including and excluding heavy metals.

#### 6.3.1 TREND OF MINERAL INDICES IN GANGA RIVER:

Perusal of Table 6.12 to 6.14 illustrates the calculated indices without heavy metals in Ganga river of the study area. And Table 6.15 to 6.17 contain the index values observed with heavy metal included in the calculation. The Fig. 6.4 to Fig. 6.6 illustrates the seasonal variations in the index values observed in Ganga river during the study period from Dec. 1984 to Dec. 1986. The observed index values and the figures clearly project the similarity in trends for the three indices calculated and a significant increase at Satyanarayana. The extent of the increase or decrease observed was not similar, which is due to the difference in formulations. In Horton's index the rating scale was fixed between 100-400. In case the observed value was lower than the fixed minimum value, the rating value was 100, and if the observed value was more than the maximum value, the rating value was 400. Whereas in the Mc Duffie's index the actual value was taken to calculate the index and the values were high. On the otherhand, Harkin's index was calculated on the basis of



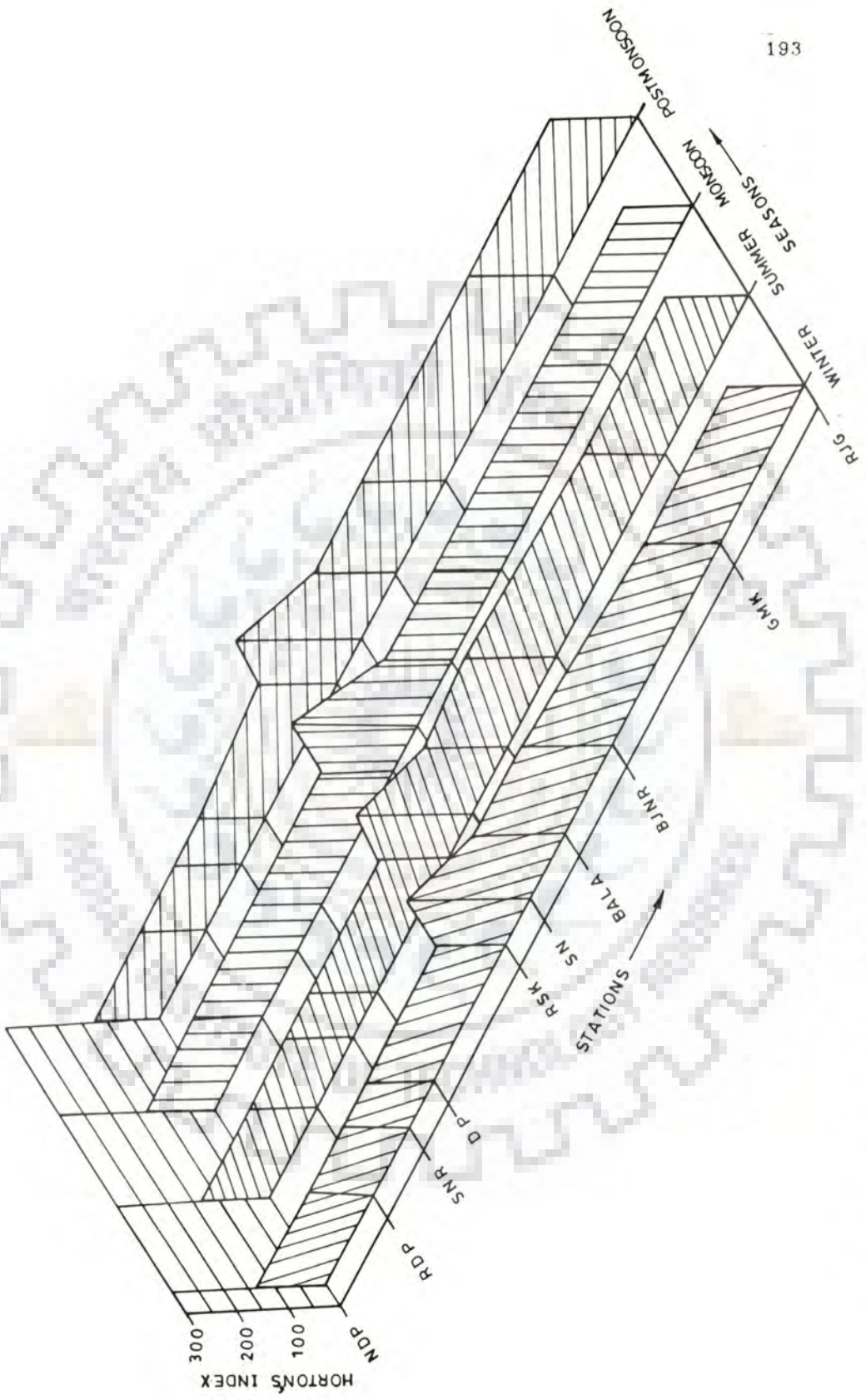


FIG. 6.4- VARIATIONS IN MEAN HORTON'S INDEX VALUES IN GANGA RIVER

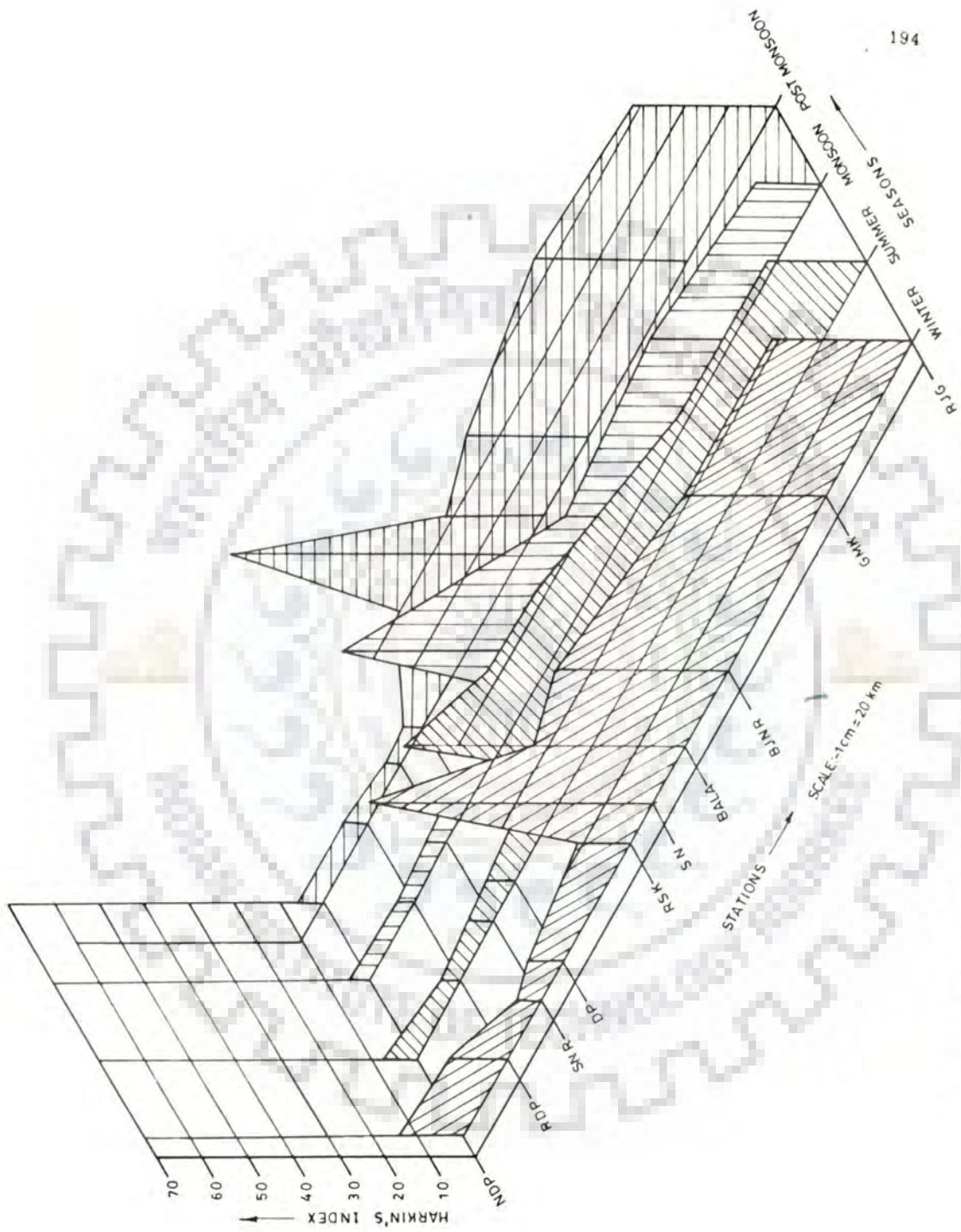


FIG. 6-5-VARIATION IN HARKIN'S INDEX VALUES IN GANGA RIVER

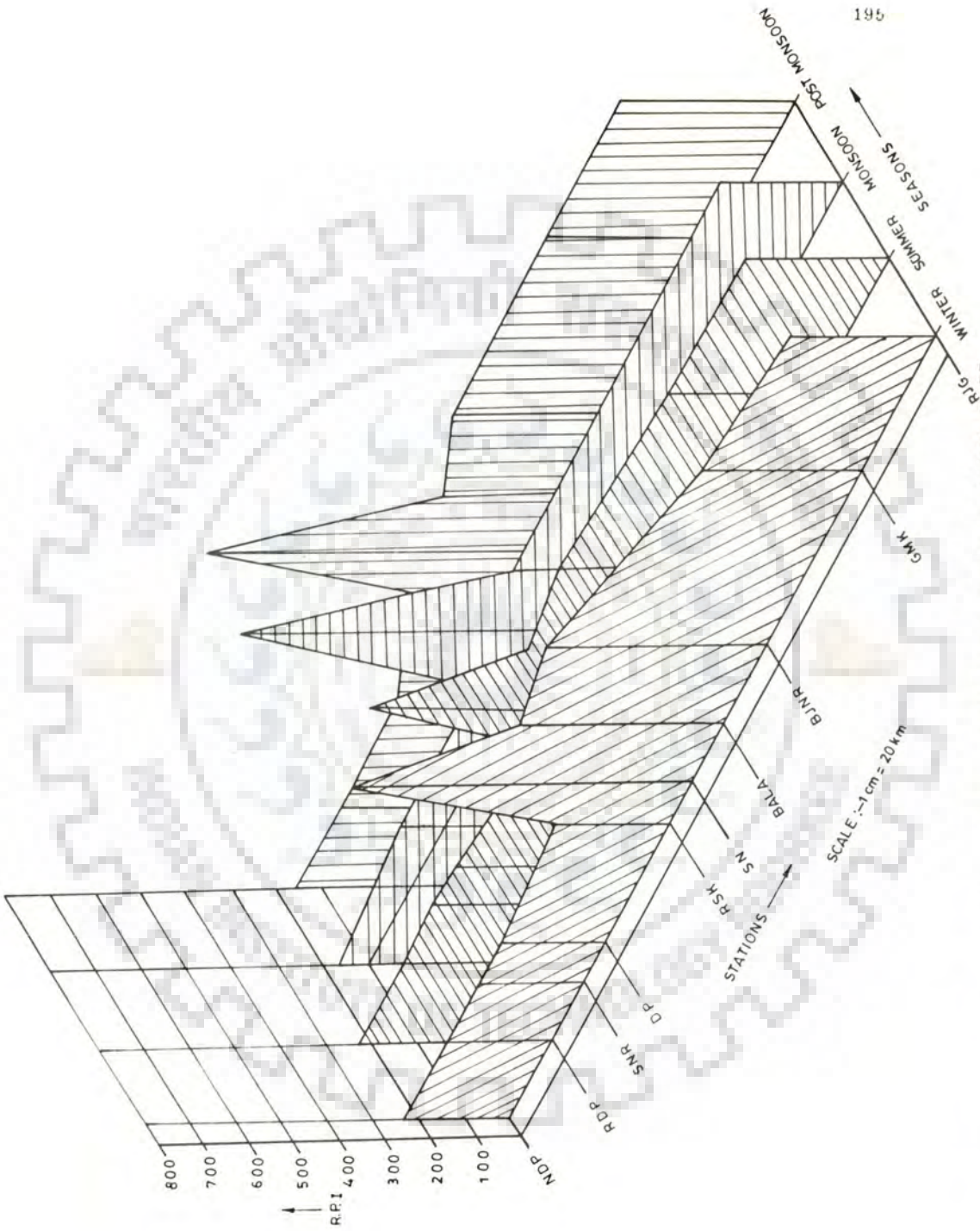


FIG. 6-6-VARIATION IN MEAN RIVER POLLUTION INDEX VALUES IN GANGA RIVER

TABLE 6.12 HORTON'S INDEX VALUE (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN GANGA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD  
Dec. 1984 to July 1985

STATIONS	DEC. 84	JAN. 85	FEB. 85	MARCH 85	APR. 85	MAY 85	JULY 85
1. NANDPRAYAG B/C	127.2	*	129.6	140.5	123.0	138.1	NA
2. NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	132.0	133.5	136.6	127.3	133.9	129.3	NA
3. NANDPRAYAG A/C	124.1	126.1	133.8	134.1	126.6	132.7	NA
4. RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	123.2	130.6	127.1	128.3	127.9	128.1	NA
5. RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	110.8	117.0	121.5	121.8	121.7	112.1	NA
6. SRINAGAR	133.2	127.5	136.5	140.7	132.6	129.3	NA
7. DEVPRAYAG B/C	144.0	135.2	140.5	131.7	118.1	137.8	NA
8. DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	129.4	127.1	124.0	136.2	123.7	137.7	NA
9. DEVPRAYAG A/C	134.4	128.4	134.8	133.9	113.9	139.9	NA
10. RISHIKESH	128.8	130.1	136.1	128.9	131.4	131.3	128.1
11. SATYANARAYANA	236.9	239.9	242.4	266.4	173.4	195.4	221.8
12. BALAWALI	185.1	187.3	181.2	176.6	153.4	142.1	NA
13. BIJNOR	180.6	183.3	182.1	180.2	174.3	150.7	NA
14. GARHMUKTESHWAR	146.8	148.7	151.7	147.5	155.8	144.6	133.3
15. ANUPSHAHR	143.3	151.4	147.6	153.5	160.3	142.5	125.9
16. RAJGHAT NARORA	145.1	146.8	149.9	153.6	153.1	141.1	129.3

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STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 96	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG B/C	NA	114.1	142.9	132.3	129.4	112.2	133.5	139.0
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	120.8	143.7	130.4	136.8	125.9	133.2	144.0
3.NANDPRAYAG A/C	NA	147.3	140.3	136.0	136.5	150.3	134.9	139.2
4.RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	NA	116.3	146.6	131.2	132.1	127.6	123.3	139.4
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	125.1	134.2	124.8	123.7	117.0	123.4	126.9
6.SRINAGAR	NA	116.4	135.1	137.1	136.0	126.6	130.9	130.1
7.DEVPRAYAG B/C	NA	122.2	140.6	131.5	134.2	124.8	129.0	136.8
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	125.0	131.9	132.1	131.1	122.5	135.7	137.2
9.DEVPRAYAG A/C	NA	123.4	127.9	130.7	136.3	126.8	133.8	136.9
10.RISHIKESH	136.3	151.8	141.6	135.8	136.8	122.0	134.2	138.0
11.SATYANARAYANA	182.4	240.4	213.4	194.9	231.3	291.2	231.4	222.0
12.BALAWALI	138.5	150.0	175.5	183.2	157.5	128.0	165.1	176.4
13.BIJNOR	137.2	150.0	165.9	189.5	166.2	126.1	177.5	201.5
14.GARHMUKTESHWAR	142.7	148.3	162.9	170.1	157.8	128.5	182.9	159.0
15.ANUPSHAHR	138.3	139.0	157.3	153.0	162.0	127.2	180.6	189.9
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	136.3	143.1	163.3	157.7	159.2	132.6	183.9	164.2

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence

NA = Analysis wasn't done

TABLE 6.13 R.P.I. VALUE (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN GANGA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD  
(Dec. 1984 to July 1985)

STATIONS	DEC. 84	JAN. 85	FEB. 85	MARCH 85	APR. 85	MAY 85	JULY 85
1. NANDPRAYAG B/C	294.2	*	213.9	236.2	156.7	213.2	NA
2. NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	223.4	250.8	255.8	244.5	237.7	198.0	NA
3. NANDPRAYAG A/C	180.2	219.0	256.8	222.9	204.7	215.6	NA
4. RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	174.8	255.6	221.5	206.5	215.6	228.8	NA
5. RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	126.4	177.0	224.0	151.8	152.4	148.8	NA
6. SRINAGAR	205.5	217.6	269.3	265.1	210.4	219.7	NA
7. DEVPRAYAG B/C	271.1	256.2	291.0	208.7	209.5	238.8	NA
8. DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	196.3	236.4	236.4	226.7	208.8	227.0	NA
9. DEVPRAYAG A/C	238.1	232.5	266.1	252.3	195.0	235.5	NA
10. RISHIKESH	256.3	244.3	304.3	216.0	216.4	172.2	183.0
11. SATYANARAYANA	750.6	735.8	893.7	836.4	453.2	529.9	713.1
12. BALAWALI	504.5	470.2	427.8	290.1	334.5	260.8	NA
13. BIJNOR	491.8	460.4	450.2	372.1	411.6	291.4	NA
14. GARHMUKTESHWAR	351.9	303.6	324.8	334.3	363.2	295.0	242.6
15. ANUPSHAHR	369.8	313.9	313.4	344.6	460.2	253.2	246.1
16. RAJGHAT NARORA	322.2	285.9	324.6	322.7	386.8	252.9	243.9

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STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 96	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG B/C	NA	99.0	261.8	214.3	189.9	161.9	191.6	239.6
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	127.8	225.8	200.7	227.9	179.5	183.0	237.2
3.NANDPRAYAG A/C	NA	102.9	222.4	231.9	266.4	166.9	191.7	260.0
4.RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	NA	84.8	194.5	199.9	216.1	183.1	200.2	238.2
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	171.0	262.7	149.1	178.0	123.1	142.8	154.1
6.SRINAGAR	NA	112.3	235.3	229.4	212.6	176.6	188.0	178.9
7.DEVPRAYAG B/C	NA	114.1	226.3	202.6	202.2	179.0	186.1	216.3
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	129.8	216.2	197.6	194.1	178.0	204.4	215.1
9.DEVPRAYAG A/C	NA	118.2	201.9	201.5	222.9	170.9	199.1	231.5
10.RISHIKESH	232.3	282.7	231.4	222.5	223.1	169.5	206.2	245.3
11.SATYANARAYANA	579.0	755.0	649.5	730.9	630.8	1062.1	780.0	693.5
12.BALAWALI	285.6	259.0	359.0	421.4	311.7	229.6	366.8	424.8
13.BIJNOR	299.5	265.7	397.9	519.6	345.2	232.9	492.2	543.8
14.GARHMUKTESHWAR	327.3	305.7	383.6	386.7	304.6	220.4	472.9	329.4
15.ANUPSHAHR	329.1	265.2	333.1	313.3	317.1	220.4	471.4	345.4
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	306.1	300.7	336.5	292.3	306.4	244.7	478.8	359.0

NA = Sampling was not done

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence

TABLE 6.14 HARKIN'S INDEX VALUE (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN GANGA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD  
(Aug. 1985 to Dec. 1986)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 96	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG B/C	NA	0.22	15.2	8.0	2.5	3.0	5.5	12.7
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	1.73	20.6	4.9	7.8	5.3	8.5	12.3
3.NANDPRAYAG A/C	NA	0.23	15.9	12.3	7.0	4.5	7.3	13.9
4.RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	NA	2.01	18.9	5.4	3.8	3.0	7.3	14.4
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	2.10	6.8	0.7	2.3	0.6	0.2	1.0
6.SRINAGAR	NA	2.40	9.6	7.6	5.5	5.0	4.2	1.8
7.DEVPRAYAG B/C	NA	0.94	14.5	6.7	4.0	6.8	3.6	7.3
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	0.83	5.8	5.8	4.4	4.5	10.7	10.2
9.DEVPRAYAG A/C	NA	1.00	9.9	4.1	6.3	5.6	7.3	10.9
10.RISHIKESH	8.65	27.90	15.2	7.0	8.9	3.7	12.2	12.3
11.SATYANARAYANA	34.80	53.10	58.0	68.5	47.0	59.1	67.3	62.6
12.BALAWALI	14.00	16.40	35.6	31.6	33.6	19.2	26.6	40.8
13.BIJNOR	13.70	20.50	34.4	35.3	32.5	17.6	35.1	41.6
14.GARHMUKTESHWAR	24.20	24.40	32.7	30.9	22.9	13.8	44.0	30.0
15.ANUPSHAHR	15.50	18.60	24.0	23.2	23.5	9.2	42.3	33.4
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	15.50	20.90	30.9	26.7	21.3	15.5	43.4	35.4

NA = Sampling was not done

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence



TABLE 6.15 HORTON'S INDEX VALUE (including heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN GANGA RIVER (during the period Aug.85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG (B/C)	NA	152.9	142.6	129.8	155.1	137.1	137.6	134.7
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	135.8	128.1	122.0	132.4	147.8	140.7	138.3
3.NANDPRAYAG (A/C)	NA	147.3	140.3	136.0	136.6	150.3	140.5	130.2
4.RUDRAPRAYAG (B/C)	NA	132.2	143.8	134.2	131.2	150.3	129.8	132.1
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	134.4	132.8	139.8	121.9	138.8	123.7	135.3
6.SRINAGAR	NA	130.4	133.4	142.1	129.0	164.7	137.3	123.1
7.DEVPRAYAG (B/C)	NA	154.9	148.5	138.2	124.4	150.3	142.2	127.3
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	131.9	129.9	143.0	130.4	151.5	130.8	131.3
9.DEVPRAYAG (B/C)	NA	154.2	137.8	129.8	145.6	158.6	141.0	152.3
10.RISHIKESH	136.3	182.1	138.2	137.6	152.8	144.4	132.0	159.6
11.SATYANARAYANA	196.8	231.5	234.6	217.9	221.9	296.0	200.3	194.9
12.BALAWALI	133.8	189.2	162.5	199.1	172.3	152.5	214.6	156.8
13.BIJNOR	132.7	172.7	176.2	180.9	175.4	148.8	180.9	200.2
14.GARHMUKTESHWAR	137.1	159.0	172.3	182.2	165.0	161.3	167.4	149.4
15.ANUPSHAHR	133.7	164.2	163.2	170.0	151.8	151.3	169.8	168.4
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	131.9	191.2	159.6	158.5	172.8	169.7	181.1	156.4

B/C : Before confluence  
A/C : After confluence  
NA : Analysis was not done

TABLE 6.16 R.P.I. VALUE (with metals)  
IN GANGA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD  
1985 to Dec. 1986)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 96	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG B/C	NA	215.1	282.8	229.7	281.6	251.5	219.7	261.9
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	252.8	308.9	157.6	219.0	215.2	306.0	314.6
3.NANDPRAYAG A/C	NA	197.7	282.5	282.5	267.5	215.8	219.6	228.9
4.RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	NA	155.7	318.2	285.3	213.4	261.7	200.6	244.7
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	211.8	284.6	360.8	182.6	160.9	164.2	224.3
6.SRINAGAR	NA	154.3	243.4	304.7	203.8	421.9	300.5	158.9
7.DEVPRAYAG B/C	NA	206.1	337.6	269.4	216.6	311.5	339.1	189.2
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	195.9	214.0	288.8	216.9	240.1	219.7	219.8
9.DEVPRAYAG A/C	NA	204.8	291.2	263.2	354.6	357.1	379.8	222.2
10.RISHIKESH	232.8	415.5	249.7	269.1	319.9	455.2	303.9	268.2
11.SATYANARAYANA	541.3	852.4	611.9	660.0	642.8	1022.9	705.8	589.6
12.BALAWALI	271.3	546.6	340.1	451.0	422.9	283.8	680.5	354.1
13.BIJNOR	284.2	341.4	365.0	529.1	356.3	291.3	441.7	536.6
14.GARHMUKTESHWAR	309.8	380.5	372.9	449.4	446.2	371.1	443.3	336.6
15.ANUPSHAHR	312.0	317.4	341.8	334.2	300.6	323.6	496.0	349.0
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	290.3	577.4	375.4	351.4	327.4	475.0	795.1	339.0

B/C = Before confluence

A/C = After confluence

NA = Analysis wasn't done

TABLE 6.17 HARKIN'S INDEX VALUE (with metals)  
OBSERVED IN GANGA RIVER DURING THE PERIOD  
(Aug. 1985 to Dec. 1986)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 96	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.NANDPRAYAG B/C	NA	7.9	20.5	9.4	7.9	11.0	9.7	14.7
2.NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	NA	8.1	25.2	5.4	9.5	8.6	14.3	17.4
3.NANDPRAYAG A/C	NA	8.0	19.7	15.4	8.1	13.1	13.0	14.1
4.RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	NA	7.9	21.9	11.5	4.9	8.8	8.9	13.8
5.RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	NA	7.9	8.9	9.0	3.8	3.7	2.8	7.1
6.SRINAGAR	NA	6.3	12.5	14.5	5.9	15.2	8.5	2.0
7.DEVPRAYAG B/C	NA	8.9	21.8	12.5	7.3	17.18	11.0	11.2
8.DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	NA	6.4	6.8	13.0	6.8	10.5	11.9	10.6
9.DEVPRAYAG A/C	NA	8.9	16.8	9.0	12.5	11.5	13.7	11.0
10.RISHIKESH	8.6	34.2	17.5	10.7	10.9	11.5	12.6	15.8
11.SATYANARA- YANA	38.2	61.4	61.6	71.7	53.0	66.9	68.3	63.1
12.BALAWALI	20.0	22.4	42.1	38.8	39.2	27.3	33.7	40.8
13.BIJNOR	14.0	26.4	40.4	37.7	35.2	22.2	38.4	45.3
14.GARHMUK- TESHWAR	13.7	36.7	34.4	38.5	28.4	27.3	45.9	31.9
15.ANUPSHAHR	24.2	25.7	28.5	27.6	24.6	17.8	45.7	35.3
16.RAJGHAT NARORA	15.5	34.7	38.3	32.9	30.7	31.3	49.7	35.4

B/C = Before Confluence

A/C = After Confluence

NA = Sampling was not done

non-parametric transformations. Due to these existing differences in formulations the indices, as expected showed difference in ranges, though the trends are similar.

In general, the index values (Fig. 6.4 to Fig. 6.6) were more or less constant in upper reaches, whereas in the lower reaches the impact of Song river was clearly visible, which is supported by the trends of the mineral parameters as discussed in earlier chapters. The Winter and post-monsoon months, in general, carry more mineral load in Ganga river as compared to summer and monsoon months.

The difference in index values in Ganga river, with and without heavy metals, are presented in Table 6.18. The similarity in trend and the significance of heavy metal contribution in the index value is evident in Fig. 6.7, in which the spatial variations of mean index values are illustrated.

### 6.3.2 TREND OF MINERAL INDICES IN SONG RIVER:

The index values observed in Song river, with and without heavy metals, are presented in Table 6.19 to 6.24. The trend of these indices was similar with difference in magnitude due to the differences in formulations. From the profiles, Fig. 6.8 to Fig. 6.10, it is visible that the mineral quality of Song river is maintained throughout the year. However, the important points where the increase in mineral input was observed were Raipur and Satyanarayana. At the former location Baldi river meets Song and

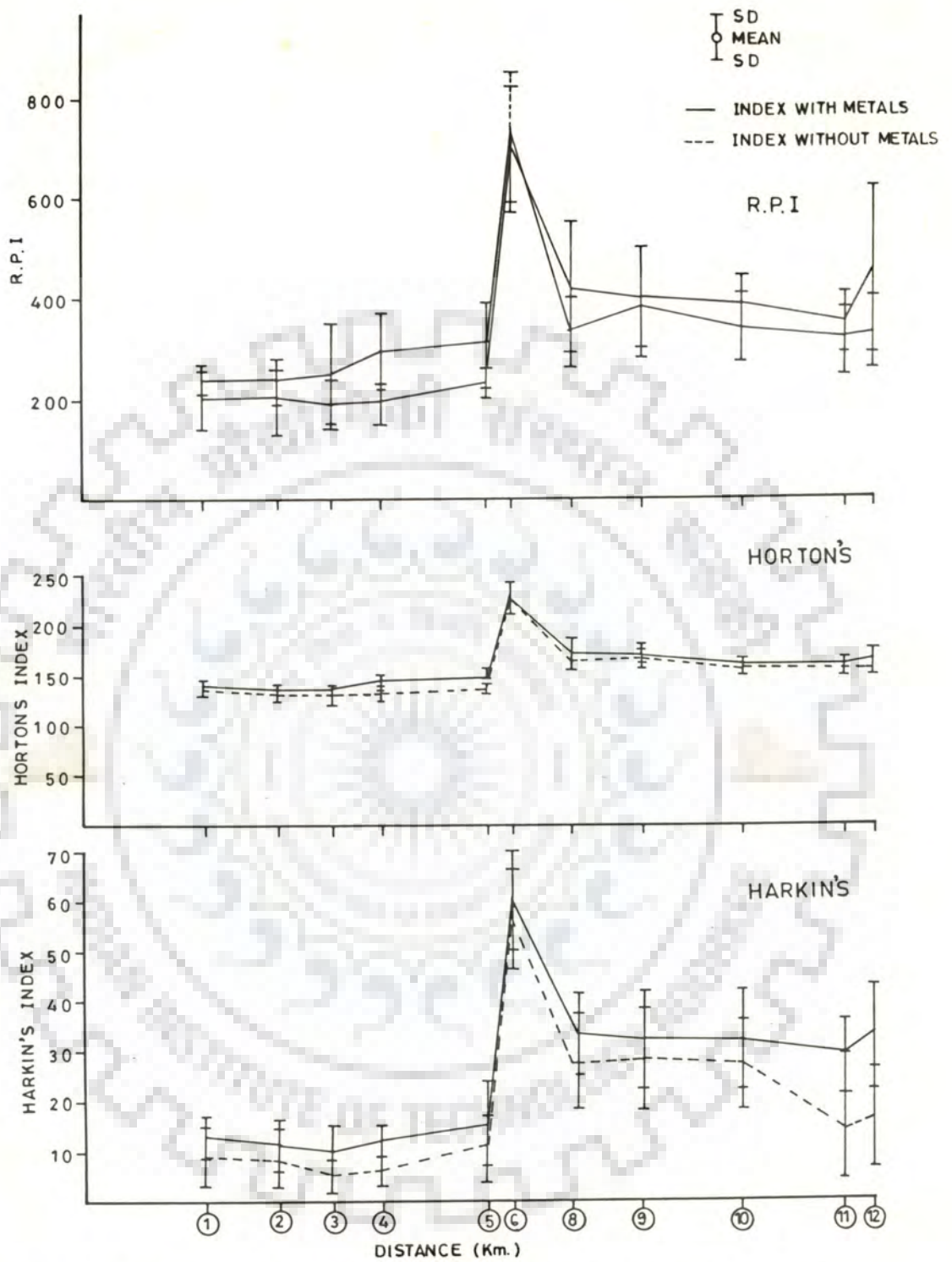


FIG.6-7—VARIATIONS IN MEAN INDEX VALUES IN GANGA RIVER

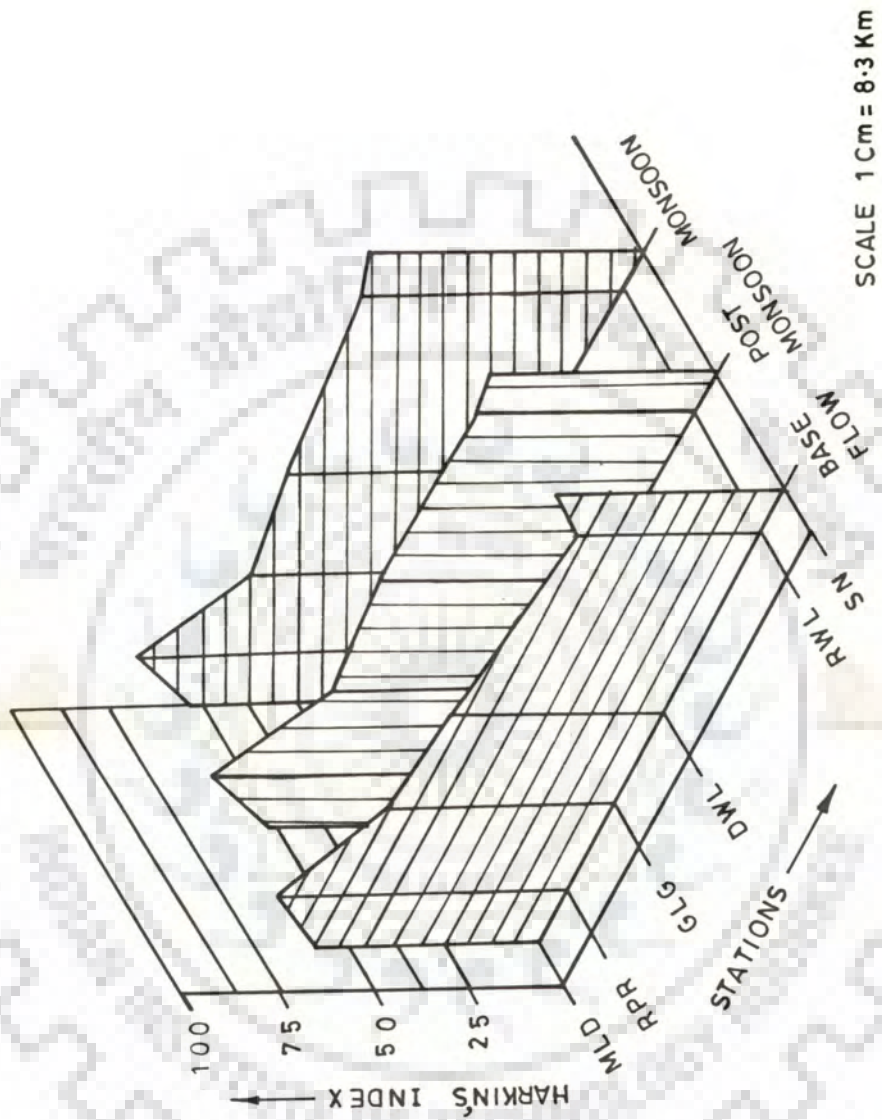


FIG. 6.8— VARIATION IN HARKIN'S INDEX VALUES IN SONG RIVER

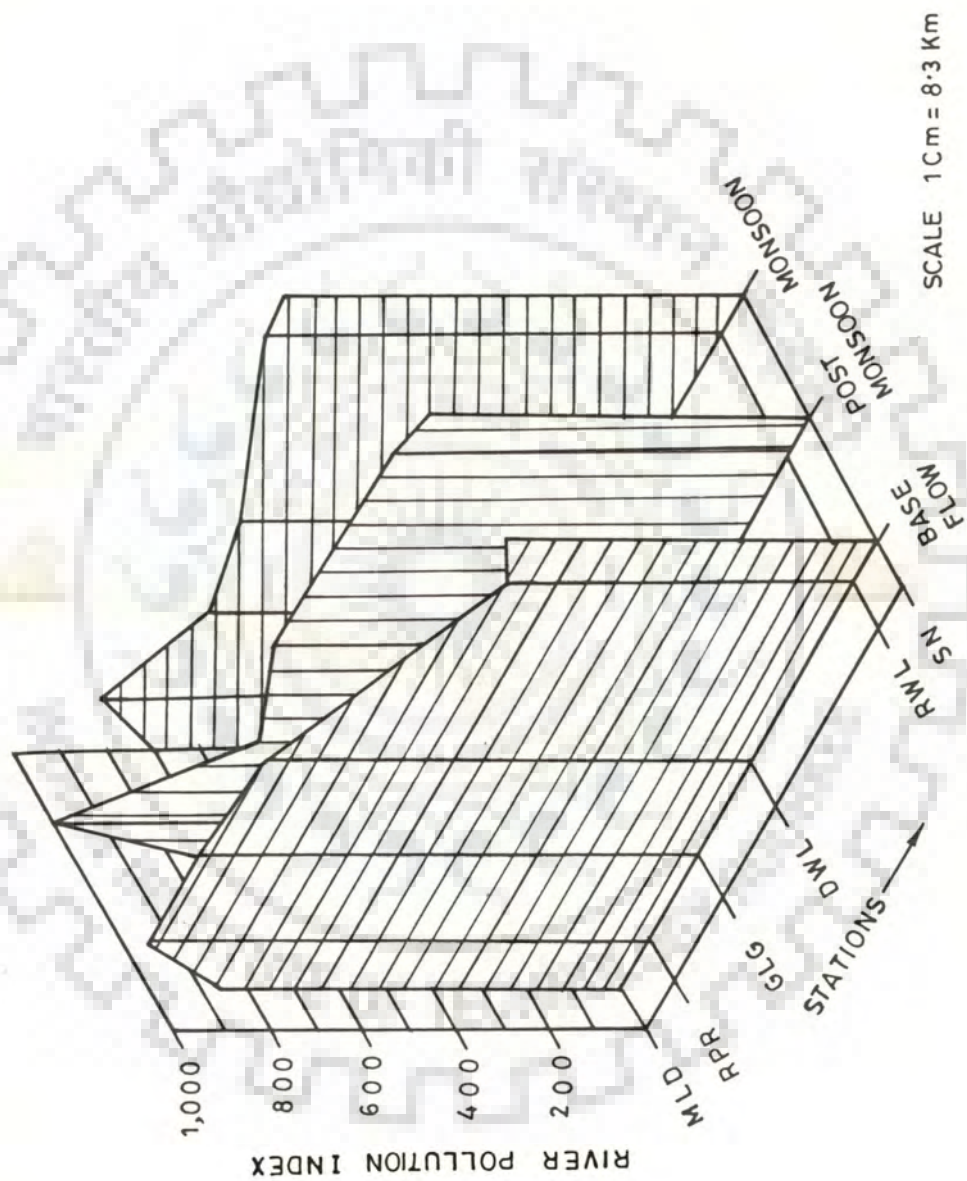


FIG. 6.9—VARIATION IN RIVER POLLUTION INDEX VALUES  
IN SONG RIVER

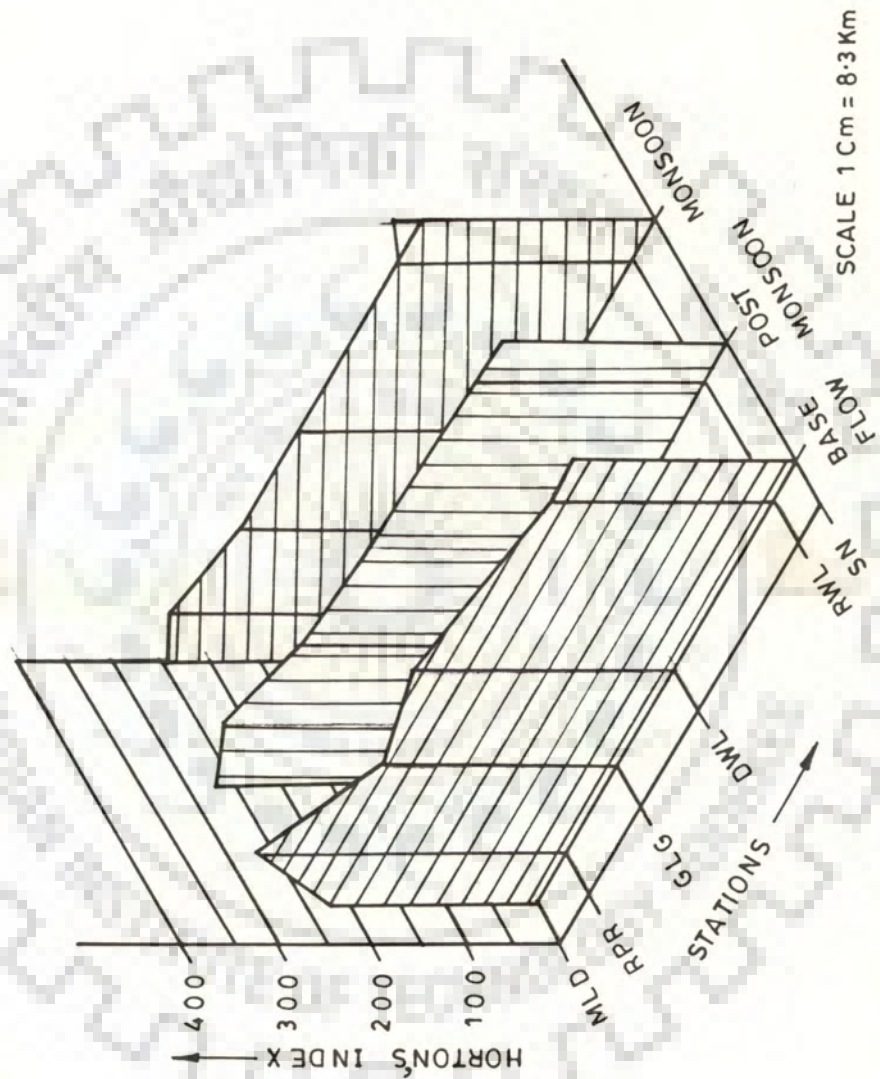


FIG. 6.10—VARIATIONS IN MEAN HORTON'S INDEX VALUES IN SONG RIVER



TABLE 6.18 COMPARISON OF THE CALCULATED MINERAL INDICES IN GANGA RIVER

(July 1985 to December 1986)

STATIONS	HARKIN'S				HORTON'S				RIVER POLLUTION INDEX			
	With Metals		With Out Metals		With Metals		With Out Metals		With Metals		With Out Metals	
	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD
1. NANDPRAYAG B/C	11.6	4.5	6.7	5.5	141.8	10.1	129.1	11.7	248.9	28.2	194.0	53.5
2. NANDPRAYAG Nandakini	12.6	8.9	8.7	6.2	135.0	8.5	133.5	8.7	253.7	59.7	197.4	38.1
3. NANDPRAYAG A/C	13.1	4.1	8.7	5.6	140.1	6.9	140.7	5.9	242.1	34.8	206.0	57.5
4. RUDRAPRAYAG B/C	11.0	5.5	7.8	6.4	136.4	7.6	130.9	10.0	239.9	54.8	202.4	63.4
5. RUDRAPRAYAG Mandakini	6.1	2.6	1.9	2.3	132.4	6.9	125.0	5.1	227.0	72.7	168.7	45.2
6. SRINAGAR	9.3	4.9	5.1	2.7	137.1	13.6	130.3	7.2	255.4	95.3	190.4	41.7
7. DEVPRAYAG B/C	11.4	6.7	6.4	4.2	140.8	11.6	131.3	6.5	267.0	63.8	189.5	36.9
8. DEVPRAYAG Bhagirathi	9.4	2.7	6.0	3.4	131.5	5.4	130.8	5.3	227.9	29.8	190.7	29.9
9. DEVPRAYAG A/C	11.9	2.7	6.4	3.4	146.2	10.7	130.8	5.1	296.1	69.6	192.3	37.9
10. RISHIKESH	15.2	8.2	12.0	7.3	147.8	16.6	137.0	8.2	314.3	80.4	226.6	32.2
11. SATYANARA- YANA	60.5	10.6	56.3	11.2	224.2	32.8	225.9	32.9	707.1	163.5	735.1	148.1
12. BALAWALI	33.2	8.5	27.2	9.8	172.6	26.7	159.6	19.7	418.8	139.5	331.8	73.3
13. BIJNOR	32.5	10.6	28.8	10.1	170.9	20.9	164.2	25.6	392.9	98.5	387.1	120.2
14. GARHMUK- TESHWAR	32.1	9.5	27.9	8.8	161.7	13.8	156.5	16.8	388.7	52.8	341.4	74.4
15. ANUPSHAHR	28.7	8.4	23.7	10.3	159.0	12.7	155.9	21.5	354.3	59.5	324.4	72.3
16. RAJGHAT NARORA	33.6	9.5	26.2	9.9	165.1	18.0	155.0	16.9	478.9	165.4	331.8	70.7

TABLE 6.19 HORTON'S INDEX VALUES (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	261.5	273.7	342.8	NA	NA	341.4	NA	NA
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	364.1	360.2	360.9	NA	NA	360.3	NA	NA
3.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	334.4	356.9	364.7	NA	NA	315.4	NA	NA
4.MALDEVYA Bandal	252.4	276.9	NA	NA	NA	253.8	NA	NA
5.MALDEVTA Song	256.3	225.4	260.4	NA	NA	251.0	NA	NA
6.MALDEVTA Baldi	333.4	343.5	NA	NA	NA	297.9	NA	NA
7.RAIPUR	268.0	285.1	282.1	NA	NA	268.4	NA	NA
8.GULARGHATI	251.6	257.9	262.1	NA	NA	251.8	NA	NA
9.DOIWALA	260.1	257.9	223.7	261.8	213.6	260.7	258.4	272.1
10.RAIWALA Tawa	256.4	298.1	233.1	236.6	224.9	248.0	212.3	201.6
11.RAIWALA Song	277.2	232.6	218.6	237.9	224.3	284.5	252.1	247.5
12.SATYANARAYANA	298.7	233.0	235.2	235.4	250.5	309.1	250.1	256.1

B/C = Before Confluence

A/C = After Confluence

N.A. = Analysis wasn't done

TABLE 6.20 RIVER POLLUTION INDEX VALUES (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1. SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	916.2	865.7	1456.6	NA	NA	1238.9	NA	NA
2. SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	7693.3	8523.5	8849.7	NA	NA	7021.5	NA	NA
3. SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	1294.3	1676.5	2343.3	NA	NA	1307.6	NA	NA
4. MALDEVYA Bandal	768.9	947.4	NA	NA	NA	749.5	NA	NA
5. MALDEVTA Song	741.3	624.0	834.5	NA	NA	761.8	NA	NA
6. MALDEVTA Baldi	1232.0	1487.6	NA	NA	NA	1211.9	NA	NA
7. RAIPUR	821.2	1044.9	975.9	NA	NA	913.6	NA	NA
8. GULARGHATI	934.9	789.6	778.4	NA	NA	771.6	NA	NA
9. DOIWALA	822.1	826.1	687.8	607.4	721.9	837.8	818.4	900.1
10. RAIWALA Tawa	837.5	629.7	602.7	700.6	582.0	827.4	620.8	595.2
11. RAIWALA Song	933.4	747.2	556.4	630.6	584.4	952.5	763.9	748.4
12. SATYANARAYANA	1011.2	696.1	680.8	662.8	740.0	1095.7	743.9	754.7

B.C. = Before Confluence

A.C. = After Confluence

N.A. = Analysis wasn't done

TABLE 6.21 HARKIN'S INDEX VALUES (without heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	62.8	73.0	76.7	NA	NA	72.6	NA	NA
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	85.8	85.8	88.7	NA	NA	81.5	NA	NA
3.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	73.2	88.1	86.9	NA	NA	75.1	NA	NA
4.MALDEVYA Banda1	61.3	55.8	NA	NA	NA	60.5	NA	NA
5.MALDEVTA Song	53.8	44.1	57.8	NA	NA	51.9	NA	NA
6.MALDEVTA Baldi	73.1	78.0	NA	NA	NA	72.7	NA	NA
7.RAIPUR	63.0	70.9	75.8	NA	NA	58.4	NA	NA
8.GULARGHATI	54.0	56.0	59.4	NA	NA	56.6	NA	NA
9.DOIWALA	58.2	54.4	58.7	38.4	59.5	57.5	62.3	72.9
10.RAIWALA Tawa	63.4	44.2	46.8	40.1	50.3	58.3	58.6	44.3
11.RAIWALA Song	71.5	51.4	44.6	49.3	47.6	64.3	63.4	67.0
12.SATYANARAYANA	72.4	53.8	59.2	54.2	58.0	72.4	64.0	66.3

TABLE 6.22 HORTON'S INDEX VALUES (including heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	304.7	298.4	349.7	NA	NA	341.4	NA	NA
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	373.3	370.4	355.4	NA	NA	365.2	NA	NA
3.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	351.2	367.9	373.7	NA	NA	373.1	NA	NA
4.MALDEVYA Bandal	290.3	308.5	NA	NA	NA	291.3	NA	NA
5.MALDEVTA Song	293.1	270.2	296.2	NA	NA	273.4	NA	NA
6.MALDEVTA Baldi	350.5	357.9	NA	NA	NA	313.4	NA	NA
7.RAIPUR	301.9	314.6	312.3	NA	NA	302.1	NA	NA
8.GULARGHATI	283.8	278.5	238.5	254.7	191.2	226.4	241.1	251.1
9.DOIWALA	283.8	278.5	238.5	254.7	191.2	226.4	241.1	251.1
10.RAIWALA Tawa	248.2	292.5	231.8	207.8	199.6	226.6	201.3	196.1
11.RAIWALA Song	276.3	251.5	224.2	210.7	213.1	279.3	238.6	234.0
12.SATYANARAYANA	286.8	246.0	232.2	207.4	229.1	297.6	233.3	236.6

A/C = After Confluence

B/C = Before Confluence

N.A. = Analysis wasn't done

TABLE 6.23 RIVER POLLUTION INDEX VALUES (including heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	2386.3	1479.2	2151.9	NA	NA	1837.8	NA	NA
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	8181.3	8118.8	7486.5	NA	NA	6571.2	NA	NA
3.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	2791.5	2275.9	3002.0	NA	NA	1912.8	NA	NA
4.MALDEVYA Banda1	1868.3	2686.7	NA	NA	NA	1612.3	NA	NA
5.MALDEVTA Song	1752.9	1355.9	1910.9	NA	NA	1362.8	NA	NA
6.MALDEVTA Baldi	2572.9	2110.7	NA	NA	NA	1876.2	NA	NA
7.RAIPUR	2064.9	2282.6	1845.5	NA	NA	1708.2	NA	NA
8.GULARGHATI	1468.0	1141.9	876.1	NA	NA	1295.3	NA	NA
9.DOIWALA	1124.3	1124.3	743.5	549.2	645.5	1034.3	689.4	744.0
10.RAIWALA Tawa	771.1	757.0	672.2	616.5	532.3	812.5	529.9	502.8
11.RAIWALA Song	996.7	924.5	598.5	580.1	557.5	995.3	668.8	632.7
12.SATYANARAYANA	1009.0	833.5	659.9	592.9	668.0	1107.2	641.8	630.4

TABLE 6.24 HARKIN'S INDEX VALUES (with heavy metals)  
OBSERVED IN SONG RIVER (During the period July 85 to Dec.86)

STATIONS	AUG. 85	OCT. 85	DEC. 85	FEB. 86	APR. 86	AUG. 86	OCT. 86	DEC. 86
1.SAHASHRADHARA Bal-di B/C	87.4	95.0	93.0	NA	NA	89.8	NA	NA
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	111.5	112.0	106.2	NA	NA	101.1	NA	NA
3.SAHASHRADHARA Bal-di A/C	97.1	113.2	105.1	NA	NA	91.5	NA	NA
4.MALDEVYA Banda 1	77.0	76.8	NA	NA	NA	74.6	NA	NA
5.MALDEVTA Song	96.5	68.1	87.6	NA	NA	70.7	NA	NA
6.MALDEVTA Bal-di	95.5	101.3	NA	NA	NA	89.8	NA	NA
7.RAIPUR	84.8	79.4	97.4	NA	NA	75.4	NA	NA
8.GULARGHATI	75.0	72.5	72.5	NA	NA	72.1	NA	NA
9.DOIWALA	75.5	67.4	66.7	40.1	61.6	64.2	62.4	72.9
10.RAIWALA Tawa	69.9	51.9	55.0	55.5	51.8	65.1	50.7	45.5
11.RAIWALA Song	83.2	60.3	50.7	51.4	51.0	74.0	66.7	68.5
12.SATYANARAYANA	81.3	61.9	63.9	55.6	61.2	81.6	66.0	67.5

A/C = After Confluence

B/C = Before Confluence

N.A. = Analysis wasn't done

Bangla Rao at the latter location.

Table 6.25 compares the contribution of heavy metals in the index values. The mean index values in Fig. 6.11 clearly indicate the prominence of heavy metals in the index value in the upper reaches of Song river i.e. between Maldevta and Gularghati. This observation can easily be attributed to the richness of minerals in this area.





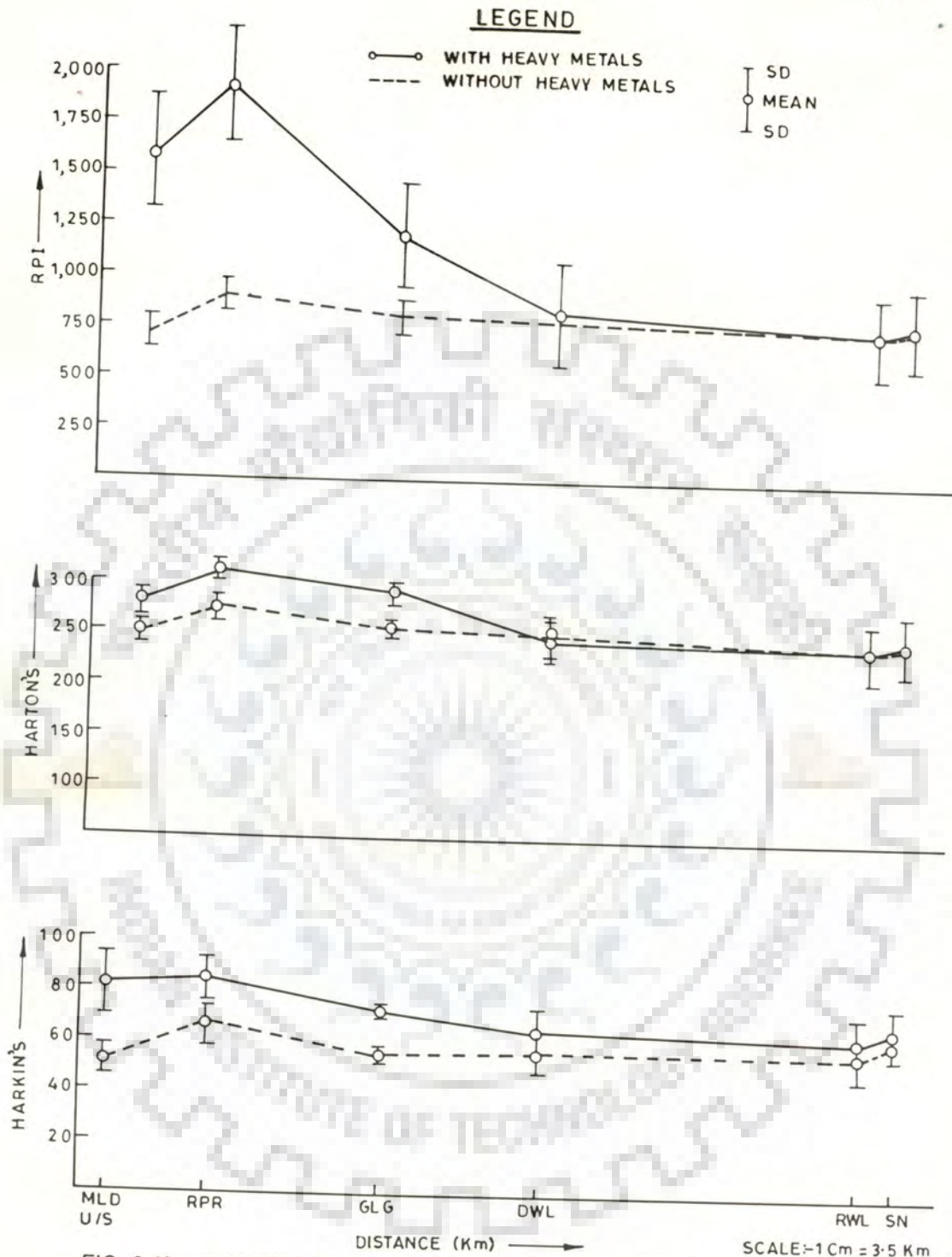


FIG. 6.11 - VARIATIONS IN MEAN INDEX VALUES IN SONG RIVER

TABLE 6.25 COMPARISON OF THE CALCULATED MINERAL INDICES IN SONG RIVER

(July 1985 to December 1986)

STATIONS	HARKIN'S				HORTON'S				RIVER POLLUTION INDEX			
	With Metals		With Out Metals		With Metals		With Out Metals		With Metals		With Out Metals	
	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD	MEAN	SD
1.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi B/C	90.6	3.1	71.1	6.2	323.6	25.8	304.8	43.3	1963.8	395.3	1119.3	279.0
2.SAHASHRADHARA Sulfur Spring	107.7	5.1	85.5	3.0	366.1	7.9	364.1	1.8	7589.5	747.9	8022.0	825.7
3.SAHASHRADHARA Baldi A/C	101.7	9.4	80.8	7.8	357.5	16.6	342.8	22.3	2495.5	493.9	1655.4	491.6
4.MALDEVTA Banda	76.1	1.3	59.2	3.0	296.6	10.2	261.0	13.7	2055.7	561.2	821.9	109.1
5.MALDEVTA Song	80.7	13.6	51.9	5.7	283.2	13.3	248.3	15.7	1598.1	277.6	740.4	87.3
6.MALDEVTA Baldi	96.5	5.7	74.6	2.9	340.6	23.8	324.9	23.9	2186.6	354.5	1310.6	107.3
7.RAIPUR	84.2	9.6	67.0	7.8	307.7	6.7	275.9	9.0	1975.3	252.1	948.9	79.3
8.GULARGHATI	73.0	1.3	56.5	2.2	282.0	11.0	255.8	5.1	1195.3	251.1	818.6	77.9
9.DOIWALA	63.9	10.8	57.7	9.6	245.7	29.4	251.0	20.7	831.8	227.5	777.7	96.2
10.RAIWALA Tawa	55.7	8.0	49.5	7.8	225.9	32.9	238.9	29.8	649.3	121.9	674.5	103.8
11.RAIWALA Song	63.1	12.1	57.4	10.2	240.9	26.3	246.8	23.8	744.3	192.9	739.6	147.9
12.SATYANARA- YANA	67.4	9.4	63.1	6.8	248.1	30.6	258.5	29.4	767.8	194.4	798.1	162.4

## 7.0 CONCLUSIONS

From the work presented in this dissertation on "Mineral Load and Transport in Upper Ganga Basin" the following significant observations emerge as worth mentioning:

1. Maximum mineral load is added by the tributary Song followed by Nandakini and Bhagirathi. Bhagirathi emerges out to be the highest contributor of suspended solids.
2. The stretch between Rishikesh and Haridwar is found to be the most critical zone as the salt-loading and salt-concentrating effects are prominent.
3. The profiles of physico chemical parameters, mineral quality indices and PCA reveals the classification of Ganga river in the study area into mineralized and non-mineralized zones.
4. The spatial and temporal variations of mineral parameters indicate the presence of mineralization in the study area, but the concentrations clearly indicate that can not be explored for economic purposes.
5. No distinct man made source to increase the mineral load is observed in the mineralized zone of Ganga i.e. from Satyanarayana to Rajghat Narora.

6. The mineral quality indices calculated in the present study convey the same information indicating that any one of these indices can represent the overall mineral quality in the rivers.
7. The mineal profiles of Song river indicate the qualitative and quantitative gradient of mineral deposits int the Song river stretch.
8. The dissolved trace metal concentration in Ganga river does not exceed the W.H.O. limits at any occassion, however, in the sediments may exceed at some specific locations.
9. In Song river the total and dissolved metal concentrations are high, but they are observed within the W.H.O. limits before the confluence of Song with Ganga river. This emphasises that the addition of Song waters to Ganga river is not alarming.

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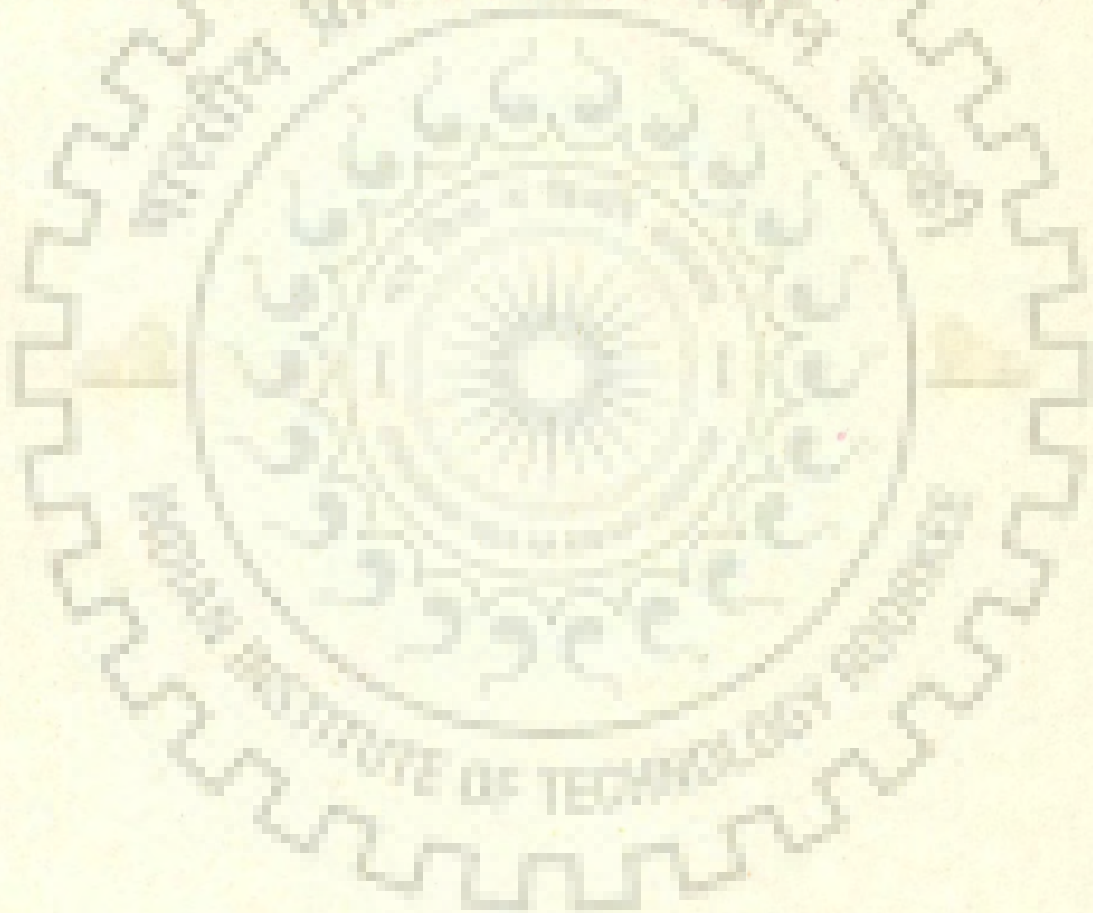


# APPENDICES

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## TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS

11,7,11  
1,2,5  
7,11  
16.4,13,16.4,19.6,94.35,346.5,130.9,115.6,166,133.6,166.8  
91.8,179.6,108.3,92.4,90.8,295.2,120.5,135.6,208,137.4,129  
118.2,101,113,95,106,284.6,158.8,255.4,157.8,160,135.2  
161,121.6,93.2,100.4,102.6,281,148.82,144,135,132,132  
56.43,61.38,58.9,57.38,61.74,329.82,106.42,110.4,108.45,103.5,103.5  
60,73.8,70.7,72,80,320,170.8,268.82,175.5,165.65,174.5  
134.2,102.4,81.5,114.1,124.9,240,159.2,202.1,136.3,140,144



STATION : NANDAPRAYAG

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18,7,18  
1,1  
7,18  
7.6,23.78,16.4,38.21,.14,4,10,11.29,3.52,2.0001,2.08,300,178,0,115,70,0,27  
8.55,150,91.8,56.88,1.89,11.52,10,21.13,4.26,2.0003,0.106,39,65,11,8.5,22,20,23  
8.49,172.09,118.2,48.42,1.4,7.92,15,18.59,4.57,2.0002,0.468,42,128,12,7,12,26,6  
8.26,269.89,161,64,1.37,4.8,10,18.9,4.81,2.0003,0.489,32,62,3.6,40,18.8,18.8,6  
8.14,90.95,56.43,54.57,.7,5.25,10,15.53,5.89,2.03,24.05,70,92,11,417,0,12.5,23  
8.44,98,60,56.01,1.45,3.42,20,18.34,6.11,2.0002,0.379,51,147,11,8,37,6,7  
8.45,126,134.2,65.32,1.73,6.06,10,17.39,7.17,2,0.160,40,66,9,1.7,22,0.00,6,13.3  
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MONTH : DECEMBER, 1985

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18,11,18  
1,1  
11,18  
8.55,150,91.8,56.88,1.89,11.52,10,21.13,4.26,2.0001,0.106,39,65,11,8.5,22,20,23  
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7.88,142,92.4,58.5,0.41,7.2,10,20.03,4.5,2.0004,0.363,30,146,8,23,55,12,8  
8.7,142,90.8,52.28,2.46,7.2,15,15.66,7.84,2.0005,0.417,49,112,4,34,25,7,11  
8.4,418,295.2,156.82,3.7,6.48,100,54.72,22.49,10,0.300,58,97,9,102,14,14,26  
8.74,182.5,120.5,88.64,4.57,9.21,30,29.51,10.82,5,4.55,105,48,0.00,37,31,16,15  
7.8,210.56,135.6,118.26,0.7,8.46,50,39,7,15.4,3,1.03,123,151,0.00,140,16,23,18  
8.59,297.96,208,79.76,2.91,7.2,30,29.71,8.54,3.001,1.73,17,106,5,95,12,24,15  
8.53,214.77,137.4,87.19,2.77,5.18,25,31.43



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00400 C *****
00500 C *****
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00600 C      THIS IS A PROGRAM FOR PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS ANALYSIS
00700 C      THIS PROGRAM ACCEPTS AN N BY M MATRIX WHERE N IS THE NUMBER
00800 C      OF OBSERVATIONS AND M IS THE NUMBER OF VAIRABLES.  IF THE
00900 C      FIRST OPTION IS 1, AN M BY M MATRIX OF COVARIANCES BETWEEN
01000 C      COLUMNS WILL BE COMPUTED.  IF THIS OPTION ISC
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01200
01300 C *****
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01400 C *****
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01500 C      THIS IS A PROGRAM FOR PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS ANALYSIS
01600 C      THIS PROGRAM ACCEPTS AN N BY M MATRIX WHERE N IS THE NUMBER
01700 C      OF OBSERVATIONS AND M IS THE NUMBER OF VAIRABLES.  IF THE
01800 C      FIRST OPTION IS 1, AN M BY M MATRIX OF COVARIANCES BETWEEN
01900 C      COLUMNS WILL BE COMPUTED.  IF THIS OPTION IS 2, AN N BY N
02000 C      MATRIX OF COVARIANCES BETWEEN ROWS WILL BE COMPUTED.  IF THE
02100 C      OPTION IS 0, THE PROGRAM CALLS EXIT, AS THE PROGRAM LOOPS
02200 C      BACK AND RESTARTS AFTER COMPLETION OF AN ANALYSIS.  IF THE
02300 C      SECOND OPTION IS 1, A STANDARDIZED COVARIANCE(CORRELATION)
02400 C      MATRIX IS CREATED.  IF THIS OPTION IS 2, A RAW COVARIANCE
02500 C      MATRIX IS CREATED.
02600 C *****
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02700 C
02800 C      FORMAT OF CONTROL CARD
02900 C      COLUMN 1-3;0=END OF JOB
03000 C          1=DO NOT TRANSPOSE INPUT DATA MATRIX
03100 C          2=TRANSPOSE INPUT DATA MATRIX
03200 C *****
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03300 C
03400 C      COLUMN 4-6;1=CALCULATE CORRELATION MATRIX
03500 C          2=CALCULATE COVARIANCE MATRIX
03600 C *****
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03700 C
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## APPENDIX-4

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04100 C*****
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04200     DIMENSION X(50,20),A1(50,20),A2(50,20),SCORE(50,20)
04300     DIMENSION A11(50,20)
04400     OPEN(UNIT=1,FILE='PCA.DAT')
04500     OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE='PCA.OUT')
04600 C     MD=11
04700 C     ND=7
04800 C     MM=11
04900 C     READ CONTROL CARD
05000 C     WRITE(*,222)
05100 C222     FORMAT(' WRITE THE NUMBER OF DATA SETS PLEASE')
05200     READ(1,*)NDS
05300     DO 888 KKK=1,NDS
05400     WRITE(*,*)KKK
05500     READ(1,*)MD,ND,MM
05600 1     READ(1,1000) ITRANS, ISIM,
05700     IF(ITRANS.LE.0) GO TO 999
05800 C     READ AND PRINT INPUT DATA MATRIX
05900     CALL READM(X,N,M,ND,MD,KKK)
06000 C     CALL PRINTM(X,N,M,ND,MD)
06100 C     WRITE(2,2001)
06200 C     IF CORRELATION MATRIX IS TO BE CALCULATED, STANDARDIZE INPUT
06300 C     DATA MATRIX AND PRINT STANDARDIZED DATA MATRIX
06400     IF(ISIM.NE.1) GO TO 2
06500     CALL STAND(X,N,M,ND,MD)
06600 C     CALL PRINTM(X,N,M,ND,MD)
06700 C     WRITE(2,2006)
06800 C     TRANSPOSE INPUT DATA MATRIX (IF REQUIRED)
06900 2     IF (ITRANS.NE.2) GO TO 3
07000     MT=M
07100     IF(N.GT.M) MT=N
07200     DO 110 I=1,MT
07300     DO 110 J=1,MT
07400     XS=X(I,J)
07500     X(I,J)=X(J,I)
07600     X(J,I)=XS
07700 110     CONTINUE

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07800      MT=M
07900      M=N
08000      N=MT
08100 C      CALCULATE AND PRINT SIMILARITY MATRIX
08200 3      IF(ISIM.EQ.1) CALL RCOEF(X,N,M,ND,MD,A1,MM)
08300      WRITE(2,2002)
08400      CALL RCOEF(X,N,M,ND,MD,A1,MM)
08500      CALL PRINTM(A1,M,M,MM,MM)
08600      WRITE(*,699)
08700 699    FORMAT('  CALL COV')
08800      IF(ISIM.EQ.2) CALL COV(X,N,M,ND,MD,A1,MM)
08900 C      CALL PRINTM(A1,M,M,MM,MM)
09000      WRITE(*,799)
09100 799    FORMAT('  CALLED')
09200 C      WRITE(2,2007)
09300 C      CALCULATE EIGEN VALUES AND EIGEN VECTORS
09400      CALL EIGENJ(A1,A2,M,MM)
09500 C      MOVE EIGEN VALUES TO FIRST COLUMN AND CALCULATE SUM OF THEM
09600      SUME=0.0
09700      DO 100 I=1,M
09800      A1(I,1)=A1(I,I)
09900      SUME=SUME+A1(I,1)
10000 100  CONTINUE
10100 C      CALCULATE PERCENT CONTRIBUTION OF EACH EIGEN VALUE
10200      SUMEE=0.0
10300      DO 101 I=1,M
10400      A1(I,2)=A1(I,1)*100.0/SUME
10500      SUMEE=SUMEE+A1(I,1)
10600      A1(I,3)=SUMEE*100.0/SUME
10700 101  CONTINUE
10800 C      PRINT EIGEN VALUES AND PERCENT CONTRIBUTION
10900      WRITE(2,2003)
11000      CALL PRINTM(A1,M,3,MM,MM)
11100 C      PRINT EIGEN VECTORS
11200      WRITE(2,2004)
11300      CALL PRINTM(A2,M,M,MM,MM)
11400 C      CALCULATE AND PRINT SCORES
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11500      CALL MMULT(X,A2,SCORE,N,M,M,ND,MD,MM,MM,ND,MD)
11600 C      CALL PRINTM(SCORE,N,M,ND,MD)
11700 C      WRITE(2,2005)
11800 C      GO TO 1
11900 1000    FORMAT (2I5)
12000 2001    FORMAT(1H,4X,'INPUT DATA MATRIX-',1X,
12100      1    'COLUMNS=VARIABLES,ROWS=OBSERVATIONS')
12200 2007    FORMAT(1H,'VARIANCE-COVARIANCE MATRIX')
12300 C2002    FORMAT(1H,4X,'CORRELATION MATRIX')
12400 2003    FORMAT(1H,4X,'COLUMN 1=EIGEN VALUES',2X,
12500      1    'COLUMN 2=PERCENT OF TRACE',/,
12600      2    5X,'COLUMN 3=COMMULATIVE PERCENT OF TRACE')
12700 2004    FORMAT(1H,4X,'PRINCIPAL AXIS MATRIX-',1X,
12800      1    'COLUMNS=EIGENVECTORS, ROWS=VARIABLES')
12900 2005    FORMAT(1H,4X,'PRINCIPAL COMPONENT SCORES-',1X,
13000      1    'COLUMNS=EIGENVECTORS, ROWS=OBSERVATIONS')
13100 2006    FORMAT(1H,4X,'STANDARDIZED INPUT DATA MATRIX-',1X,
13200      1    'COLUMNS=VARIABLES, ROWS=OBSERVATIONS')
13300 2002    FORMAT(1H,4X,'CORRELATION MATRIX')
13400 888     CONTINUE
13500 999     STOP
13600      END
13700 C      SUBROUTINE TO CALCULATE EIGEN VALUES AND EIGEN VECTORS OF AN
13800 C      NXN SYMMETRIX MATRIX.
13900 C      UPON COMPLETION THE EIGEN VALUES ARE STORED IN THE DIAGONAL
14000 C      ELEMENTS OF MATRIX A (IN DESCEND ORDER). THE EIGEN
14100 C      VECTORS ARE STORED BY COLUMNS IN MATRIX B.
14200 C      EIGEN VALUE A(I,I) CORRESPONDS TO EIGEN VECTOR (B(I,J),J=1,N)
14300      SUBROUTINE EIGENJ (A,B,N,N1)
14400      DIMENSION A(50,20),B(50,20)
14500 C      CALCULATE INITIAL AND FINAL NORMS
14600 C      SET B TO IDENTIFY MATRIX
14700      ANORM=0.0
14800      DO 100 I=1,N
14900      DO 101 J=1,N
15000      IF (I-J) 2,1,2
15100 1      B(I,J)=1.0
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15200      GO TO 101
15300 2     B(I,J)=0.0
15400      ANORM=ANORM+A(I,J)*A(I,J)
15500 101   CONTINUE
15600 100   CONTINUE
15700      ANORM=SQRT(ANORM)
15800      FNORM=ANORM*1.0E-09/FLOAT(N)
15900 C     INITIAL INDICATORS AND COMPUTE THRESHOLD
16000      THR=ANORM
16100 23    THR=THR/FLOAT(N)
16200 3     IND=0.0
16300 C     SCAN DOWN COLUMNS FOR OFF-DIAGONAL ELEMENTS GREATER THAN OR
16400 C     EQUAL TO THRESHOLD
16500      DO 102 I=2,N
16600      I1=I-1
16700      DO 103 J=1,I1
16800      IF (ABS(A(J,I))-THR) 103,4,4
16900 C     COMPUTE SIN AND COS
17000 4     IND=1
17100      AL=-A(J,I)
17200      AM=(A(J,J)-A(I,I))/2.0
17300      AO=AL/SQRT(AL*AL+AM*AM)
17400      IF (AM) 5,6,6
17500 5     AO=-AO
17600 6     SINX=AO/SQRT(2.0*(1.0+SQRT(1.0-AO*AO)))
17700      SINX2=SINX*SINX
17800      COSX=SQRT(1.0-SINX2)
17900      COSX2=COSX*COSX
18000 C     ROTATE COLUMNS I AND J
18100      DO 104 K=1,N
18200      IF (K-J) 7,10,7
18300 7     IF (K-I) 8,10,8
18400 8     AT=A(K,J)
18500      A(K,J)=AT*COSX-A(K,I)*SINX
18600      A(K,I)=AT*SINX+A(K,I)*COSX
18700 10    BT=B(K,J)
18800      B(K,J)=BT*COSX-B(K,I)*SINX
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18900      B(K,I)=BT*SINX+B(K,I)*COSX
19000 104   CONTINUE
19100      XT=2.0*A(J,I)*SINX*COSX
19200      AT=A(J,J)
19300      BT=A(I,I)
19400      A(J,J)=AT*COSX2+BT*SINX2-XT
19500      A(I,I)=AT*SINX2+BT*COSX2+XT
19600      A(J,I)=(AT-BT)*SINX*COSX+A(J,I)*(COSX2-SINX2)
19700      A(I,J)=A(J,I)
19800      DO 105 K=1,N
19900      A(J,K)=A(K,J)
20000      A(I,K)=A(K,I)
20100 105   CONTINUE
20200 103   CONTINUE
20300 102   CONTINUE
20400      IF(IND) 20,20,3
20500 20    IF (THR-FNORM) 25,25,23
20600 C     SORT EIGEN VALUES AND EIGEN VECTORS
20700 25    DO 110 I=2,N
20800      J=I
20900 29    IF(A(J-1,J-1)-A(J,J)) 30,110,110
21000 30    AT=A(J-1,J-1)
21100      A(J-1,J-1)=A(J,J)
21200      A(J,J)=AT
21300      DO 111 K=1,N
21400      AT=B(K,J-1)
21500      B(K,J-1)=B(K,J)
21600      B(K,J)=AT
21700 111   CONTINUE
21800      J=J-1
21900      IF(J-1) 110,110,29
22000 110   CONTINUE
22100      RETURN
22200      END
22300 C     SUBROUTINE TO PRINT A MATRIX HAVING N ROWS AND M COLUMNS
22400      SUBROUTINE PRINTM (A,N,M,N1,M1)
22500      DIMENSION A(50,20)
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22600 C      PRINT MATRIX OUT IN STRIPS OF 10 COLUMNS
22700      DO 100 IB=1,M,10
22800      IE=IB+9
22900      IF (IE-M) 2,2,1
23000 1      IE=M
23100 C      PRINT HEADINGS
23200 2      WRITE(2,2000) (I,I=IB,IE)
23300      DO 101 J=1,N
23400 C      PRINT ROWS OF MATRIX
23500      WRITE (2,2001) J,(A(J,K),K=IB,IE)
23600 101    CONTINUE
23700 100    CONTINUE
23800      RETURN
23900 2000   FORMAT(10X,10I12)
24000 2001   FORMAT(5X,15,10F12.4)
24100      END
24200 C      SUBROUTINE FOR MULTIPLICATION OF MATRIX A BY MATRIX B TO
24300 C      GIVE MATRTIX C.  A IS L ROWS BY N COLUMNS.  B IS N ROWS BY M
24400 C      COLUMNS, AND C WILL BE L ROWS BY M COLUMNS.
24500      SUBROUTINE MMULT(A,B,C,L,N,M,NA,MA,NB,MB,NC,MC)
24600      DIMENSION A(50,20),B(50,20),C(50,20)
24700      DO 100 I=1,L
24800      DO 101 J=1,M
24900      C(I,J)=0.0
25000      DO 102 K=1,N
25100      C(I,J)=C(I,J)+A(I,K)*B(K,J)
25200 102    CONTINUE
25300 101    CONTINUE
25400 100    CONTINUE
25500      RETURN
25600      END
25700 C      SUBROUTINE TO STANDARDIZE THE COLUMNS OF A DATA MATRIX
25800      SUBROUTINE STAND(X,N,M,N1,M1)
25900      DIMENSION X(50,20)
26000 C      STANDARDIZE EACH COLUMN OF THE MATRIX
26100      DO 100 I=1,M
26200 C      IF(I.EQ.9)GO TO 100
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26300 C      CALCULATE MEAN AND STANDARD DEVIATION OF COLUMN
26400      SX=0.0
26500      SXX=0.0
26600      DO 101 J=1,N
26700      SX=SX+X(J,I)
26800      SXX=SXX + X(J,I)**2
26900 101    CONTINUE
27000      XM=SX/FLOAT(N)
27100 C      WRITE(*,*)SX,SXX,I
27200      SD=SQRT((SXX-SX*SX/FLOAT(N))/FLOAT(N-1))
27300 C      WRITE(*,*)SX,SXX,SD
27400 C      SUBROUTINE MEAN FROM EACH ELEMENT IN COLUMN, THEN DIVIDE RESULT
27500 C      BY THE STANDARD DEVIATION
27600      DO 102 J=1,N
27700      X(J,I)=(X(J,I)-XM)/SD
27800 C      WRITE(*,*)X(J,I)
27900 102    CONTINUE
28000 100    CONTINUE
28100      RETURN
28200      END
28300 C      SUBROUTINE TO CALCULATE THE MATRIX OF CORRELATION BETWEEN
28400 C      COLUMNS OF DATA MATRIX X.
28500      SUBROUTINE RCOEF(X,N,M,N1,M1,A,M2)
28600      DIMENSION X(50,20),A(50,20)
28700      AN=N
28800 C      CALCULATE CORRELATION COEFFICIENT BETWEEN COLUMNS I AND J
28900      DO 100 I=1,M
29000      DO 100 J=1,M
29100 C      IF(I.EQ.9.AND.J.EQ.9)GO TO 100
29200 C      DO 100 J=1,M
29300      SX1=0.0
29400      SX2=0.0
29500      SX1X1=0.0
29600      SX2X2=0.0
29700      SX1X2=0.0
29800 C      CALCULATE SUMS, SUMS OF SQUARES AND SUM OF CROSS-PRODUCT
29900 C      OF COLUMNS I AND J.
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30000      DO 101 K=1,N
30100      SX1=SX1+X(K,I)
30200      SX2=SX2+X(K,J)
30300      SX1X1=SX1X1+X(K,I)**2
30400      SX2X2=SX2X2+X(K,J)**2
30500      SX1X2=SX1X2+X(K,I)*X(K,J)
30600 101   CONTINUE
30700 C     CALCULATE CORRELATION COEFFICIENT AND STORE IN MATRIX A.
30800 C     WRITE(*,*)SX1,SX2,SX1X1,SX2X2,SX1X2
30900      R=(SX1X2-SX1*SX2/AN)/
31000 1     SQRT((SX1X1-SX1*SX1/AN)*(SX2X2-SX2*SX2/AN))
31100 C     WRITE(*,*)R
31200      A(I,J)=R
31300      A(J,I)=R
31400 100   CONTINUE
31500      RETURN
31600      END
31700 C     SUBROUTINE TO CALCULATE THE MATRIX OF VARIANCE AND COV-
31800 C     ARIANCES BETWEEN COLUMNS OF DATA MATRIX.
31900      SUBROUTINE COV(X,N,M,N1,M1,A,M2)
32000      DIMENSION X(50,20),A(50,20)
32100      WRITE(*,966)
32200 966   FORMAT('      CALLED COV')
32300      AN=N
32400      AN1=N-1
32500 C     CALCULATE VARIANCE-COVARIANCE BETWEEN COLUMNS I AND J.
32600      DO 100 I=1,M
32700      DO 100 J=1,M
32800 C     ZERO THE SUMS
32900      SX1=0.0
33000      SX2=0.0
33100      SX1X2=0.0
33200 C     CALCULATE SUMS AND SUM OF CROSS-PRODUCTS
33300      DO 101 K=1,N
33400      SX1=SX1+X(K,I)
33500      SX2=SX2+X(K,J)
33600      SX1X2=SX1X2+X(K,I)*X(K,J)

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33700 101      CONTINUE
33800 C      .CALCULATE VARIANCE-COVARIANCE AND STORE IN MATRIX A.
33900      A(I,J)=(SX1X2-SX1*SX2/AN)/AN1
34000      A(J,I)=A(I,J)
34100 100      CONTINUE
34200      RETURN
34300      END
34400 C      SUBROUTINE TO READ A MATRIX HAVING N ROWS AND M COLUMNS
34500      SUBROUTINE READM(A,N,M,N1,M1,KK)
34600      DIMENSION A(50,20)
34700 C      READ SIZE OF MATRIX
34800      READ(1,1005) N,M
34900 C      READ MATRIX ONE ROW AT A TIME
35000      DO 100 I=1,N
35100      READ (1,*)(A(I,J),J=1,M)
35200 100      CONTINUE
35300      RETURN
35400 1005     FORMAT (2I5)
35500 1006     FORMAT(10F8.2)
35600      END
35700 C*****
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00100 *****
00200 C      THIS PROGRAMME IS TO CALCULATE THE
00300 C      MINERAL INDEX
00400 *****
00500      DIMENSION PH(30),ORP(30),COND(30),DIS(30)
00600      DIMENSION HCO3(30),CO3(30),CL(30),SO4(30),APO4(30)
00700      DIMENSION ANO3(30),ANO2(30),ANH3(30),CA(30)
00800      DIMENSION AMG(30),ANA(30),AK(30),FE(30)
00900      DIMENSION PB(30),ZN(30),CD(30),AMN(30)
01000      DIMENSION ANI(30),CO(30),CU(30),STA(30)
01100      DIMENSION TA(30),TC(30)
01200      DIMENSION QPH(30),QDIS(30),QHCO3(30),QCO3(30)
01300      DIMENSION QCL(30),QSO4(30),QCA(30),QAMG(30)
01400      DIMENSION QANA(30),QCD(30),QAMN(30),QANI(30)
01500      DIMENSION QTA(30),QTC(30),WQI(30)
01600      DIMENSION WQPH(30),WQDIS(30),WQHCO3(30),WQCO3(30)
01700      DIMENSION WQCL(30),WQSO4(30),WQCA(30),WQAMG(30)
01800      DIMENSION WQANA(30),WQCD(30),WQAMN(30),WQANI(30)
01900      DIMENSION WQTA(30),WQTC(30),WI(30)
02000      DIMENSION WPH(30),WDIS(30),WHCO3(30),WCO3(30),WCL(30)
02100      DIMENSION WSO4(30),WCA(30),WAMG(30),WANA(30),WCD(30)
02200      DIMENSION WAMN(30),WANI(30),WTA(30),WTC(30)
02300      OPEN (UNIT=21,DIALOG)
02400      OPEN (UNIT=22,DIALOG)
02500      READ (21,9)(STA(I),I=1,30)
02600 9      FORMAT (30A1)
02700      READ (21,*) N
02800      READ (21,*) ((PH(I),ORP(I),COND(I),DIS(I)
02900      1,HCO3(I),CO3(I),CL(I),SO4(I),ANO3(I),ANO2(I)
03000      2,ANH3(I),APO4(I),CA(I),AMG(I),ANA(I),AK(I),FE(I)
03100      3,PB(I),ZN(I),CD(I),AMN(I),ANI(I),CO(I)
03200      4,CU(I),TA(I),TC(I)),I=1,N)
03300      WRITE(22,10)(STA(I),I=1,30)
03400 10     FORMAT (5X,'STATION:',30A1//)
03500      WRITE (22,11)
03600 11     FORMAT (27X,'AUG.85',2X,'OCT.85',2X
03700      1,'DEC.85',2X,'FEB.86',2X,'APR.86',2X,'JULY86',2X

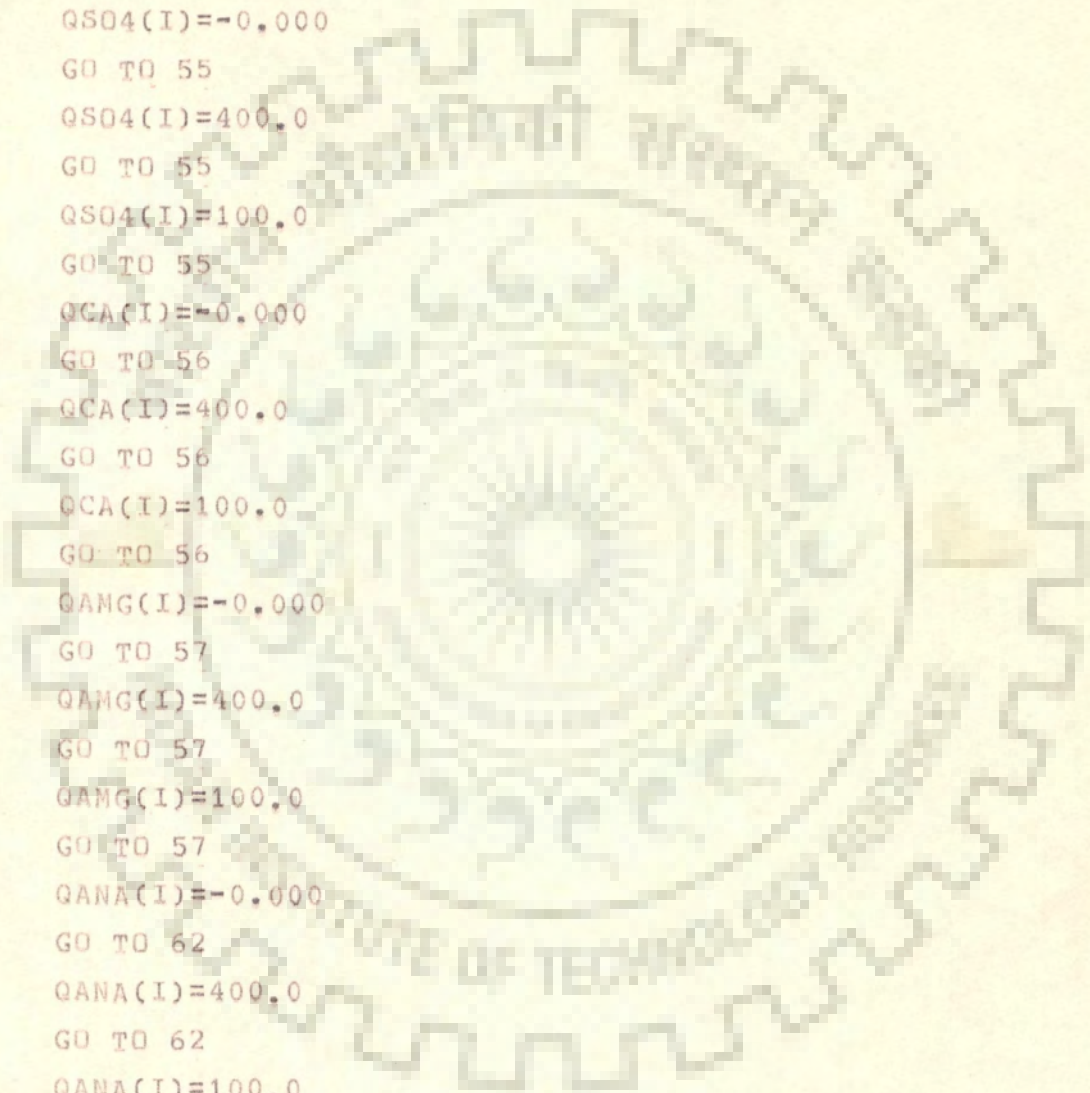
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03800      2,'OCT.86',2X,'DEC.86'//)
03900      DO 35 I=1,30
04000      WPH(I)=2.5
04100      IF (PH(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.PH(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 101
04200      IF (((PH(I)-7)/2.0).GT.1) GO TO 201
04300      IF (((PH(I)-7.0)/2.0).LT.0) GO TO 202
04400      QPH(I)=(150*(PH(I)-7.0))+100.0
04500 50     WQPH(I)=WPH(I)*QPH(I)
04600      WDIS(I)=2.5
04700      IF (DIS(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.DIS(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 102
04800      IF (((DIS(I)-10.0)/490.0).GT.1) GO TO 203
04900      IF (((DIS(I)-10.0)/490.0).LT.0) GO TO 204
05000      QDIS(I)=(0.61*(DIS(I)-10.0))+100.0
05100 51     WQDIS(I)=WDIS(I)*QDIS(I)
05200      WHCO3(I)=3.0
05300      IF (HCO3(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.HCO3(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 103
05400      IF (((HCO3(I)-20.0)/240.0).GT.1) GO TO 205
05500      IF (((HCO3(I)-20.0)/240.0).LT.0) GO TO 206
05600      QHCO3(I)=(1.25*(HCO3(I)-20.0))+100.0
05700 52     WQHCO3(I)=WHCO3(I)*QHCO3(I)
05800      WCO3(I)=1.5
05900      IF (CO3(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CO3(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 104
06000      IF (((CO3(I)-1.0)/19.0).GT.1) GO TO 207
06100      IF (((CO3(I)-1.0)/19.0).LT.0) GO TO 208
06200      QCO3(I)=(15.8*(CO3(I)-1.0))+100.0
06300 53     WQCO3(I)=WCO3(I)*QCO3(I)
06400      WCL(I)=3.0
06500      IF (CL(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CL(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 105
06600      IF (((CL(I)-5.0)/25.0).GT.1) GO TO 209
06700      IF (((CL(I)-5.0)/25.0).LT.0) GO TO 210
06800      QCL(I)=(12*(CL(I)-5.0))+100.0
06900 54     WQCL(I)=WCL(I)*QCL(I)
07000      WSO4(I)=3.5
07100      IF (SO4(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.SO4(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 106
07200      IF (((SO4(I)-10.0)/190.0).GT.1.) GOTO 211
07300      IF (((SO4(I)-10.0)/19.0).LT.0.) GO TO 212
07400      QSO4(I)=(1.6*(SO4(I)-10.0))+100.0
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07500 55      WQSO4(I)=WSO4(I)*QSO4(I)
07600      WCA(I)=3.0
07700      IF (CA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 107
07800      IF (((CA(I)-10.0)/190.0).GT.1.) GO TO 213
07900      IF (((CA(I)-10.0)/190.0).LT.0) GO TO 214
08000      QCA(I)=(1.6*(CA(I)-10.0))+100.0
08100 56      WQCA(I)=WCA(I)*QCA(I)
08200      WAMG(I)=3.0
08300      IF (AMG(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.AMG(I).EQ.-1.1) GO TO 108
08400      IF (((AMG(I)-2.0)/48.0).GT.1) GOTO 215
08500      IF (((AMG(I)-2.0)/48.0).LT.0) GO TO 216
08600      QAMG(I)=(6.25*(AMG(I)-2.0))+100.0
08700 57      WQAMG(I)=WAMG(I)*QAMG(I)
08800      WANA(I)=3.0
08900      IF (ANA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.ANA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 109
09000      IF (((ANA(I)-2.0)/8.0).GT.1) GO TO 217
09100      IF (((ANA(I)-2.0)/8.0).LT.0) GO TO 218
09200      QANA(I)=(37.5*(ANA(I)-2.0))+100.0
09300 58      WQANA(I)=WANA(I)*QANA(I)
09400      WCD(I)=4.0
09500      IF (CD(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CD(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 110
09600      IF (((CD(I)-0)/50).GT.0) GO TO 219
09700      IF (((CD(I)-0)/50).LT.1) GO TO 220
09800      QCD(I)=(6*(CD(I)-0.0))+100.0
09900 59      WQCD(I)=WCD(I)*QCD(I)
10000      WAMN(I)=3.5
10100      IF (AMN(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.AMN(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 111
10200      IF (((AMN(I)-50.0)/50.0).GT.0) GO TO 221
10300      IF (((AMN(I)-50.0)/50.0).LT.0) GO TO 222
10400      QAMN(I)=(6*(AMN(I)-50.0))+100.0
10500 60      WQAMN(I)=WAMN(I)*QAMN(I)
10600      WANI(I)=3.5
10700      IF (ANI(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.ANI(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 112
10800      IF (((ANI(I)-5.0)/95.0).GT.1) GO TO 223
10900      IF (((ANI(I)-5.0)/95.0).LT.0) GO TO 224
11000      QANI(I)=(3.16*(ANI(I)-5.0))+100
11100 61      WQANI(I)=WANI(I)*QANI(I)
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11200      WTA(I)=3.0
11300      IF (TA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.TA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 113
11400      IF (((TA(I)-1.0)/9.0).GT.1) GO TO 225
11500      IF (((TA(I)-1.0)/9.0).LT.0) GO TO 226
11600      QTA(I)=(33.3*(TA(I)-1.0))+100
11700 62    WQTA(I)=WTA(I)*QTA(I)
11800      WTC(I)=3.0
11900      IF (QTC(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.QTC(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 114
12000      IF (((TC(I)-1.0)/9.0).GT.1) GO TO 227
12100      IF (((TC(I)-1.0)/9.0).LT.0) GO TO 228
12200      QTC(I)=(33.3*(TC(I)-1.0))+100
12300 63    WQTC(I)=WTC(I)*QTC(I)
12400      GO TO 90
12500 101   QPH(I)=-0.000
12600      GO TO 50
12700 201   QPH(I)=400.0
12800      GO TO 50
12900 202   QPH(I)=100.0
13000      GO TO 50
13100 102   QDIS(I)=-0.000
13200      GO TO 51
13300 203   QDIS(I)=400.0
13400      GO TO 51
13500 204   QDIS(I)=100.0
13600      GO TO 51
13700 103   QHC03(I)=-0.000
13800      GO TO 52
13900 205   QHC03(I)=400.0
14000      GO TO 52
14100 206   QHC03(I)=100.0
14200      GO TO 52
14300 104   QC03(I)=-0.000
14400      WC03(I)=0.0
14500      GO TO 53
14600 207   QC03(I)=400.0
14700      GO TO 53
14800 208   QC03(I)=100.0
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14900      GO TO 53 /
15000 105   QCL(I)=-0.000
15100      GO TO 54
15200 209   QCL(I)=400.0
15300      GO TO 54
15400 210   QCL(I)=100.0
15500      GO TO 54
15600 106   QSO4(I)=-0.000
15700      GO TO 55
15800 211   QSO4(I)=400.0
15900      GO TO 55
16000 212   QSO4(I)=100.0
16100      GO TO 55
16200 107   QCA(I)=-0.000
16300      GO TO 56
16400 213   QCA(I)=400.0
16500      GO TO 56
16600 214   QCA(I)=100.0
16700      GO TO 56
16800 108   QAMG(I)=-0.000
16900      GO TO 57
17000 215   QAMG(I)=400.0
17100      GO TO 57
17200 216   QAMG(I)=100.0
17300      GO TO 57
17400 109   QANA(I)=-0.000
17500      GO TO 62
17600 217   QANA(I)=400.0
17700      GO TO 62
17800 218   QANA(I)=100.0
17900      GO TO 62
18000 110   QCD(I)=-0.000
18100      GO TO 59
18200 219   QCD(I)=400.0
18300      GO TO 59
18400 220   QCD(I)=100.0
18500      GO TO 59
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18600 111      QAMN(I)=-0,000
18700          GO TO 60
18800 221      QAMN(I)=400,0
18900          GO TO 60
19000 222      QAMN(I)=100,0
19100          GO TO 60
19200 112      QANI(I)=-0,000
19300          GO TO 61
19400 223      QANI(I)=400,0
19500          GO TO 61
19600 224      QANI(I)=100,0
19700          GO TO 61
19800 113      QTA(I)=-0,000
19900          GO TO 62
20000 225      QTA(I)=400,0
20100          GO TO 62
20200 226      QTA(I)=100,0
20300          GO TO 62
20400 114      QTC(I)=-0,000
20500          GO TO 63
20600 227      QTC(I)=400,0
20700          GO TO 63
20800 228      QTC(I)=100,0
20900          GO TO 63
21000 90       WI(I)=(WPH(I)+WDIS(I)+WHCO3(I)+WCO3(I)+WCL(I)+WSO4(I)
21100          1+WCA(I)+WAMG(I)+WCD(I)+WANA(I)+WAMN(I)+WANI(I)+WTA(I)
21200          2+WTC(I))
21300          WQI(I)=(WQPH(I)+WQDIS(I)+WQHCO3(I)+WQCO3(I)+WQCL(I)
21400          1+WQSO4(I)+WQCA(I)+WQAMG(I)+WQANA(I)+WQCD(I)+WQAMN(I)
21500          2+WQANI(I)+WQTA(I)+WQTC(I))/WI(I))
21600          TYPE *,WQI(I)
21700 35       CONTINUE
21800          WRITE(22,12) (QPH(I),I=8,N)
21900          WRITE(22,13) (QDIS(I),I=8,N)
22000          WRITE(22,14) (QHCO3(I),I=8,N)
22100          WRITE(22,15) (QCO3(I),I=8,N)
22200          WRITE(22,16) (QCL(I),I=8,N)
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22300      WRITE(22,17) (QSO4(I),I=8,N)
22400      WRITE(22,18) (QCA(I),I=8,N)
22500      WRITE(22,19) (QAMG(I),I=8,N)
22600      WRITE(22,20) (QANA(I),I=8,N)
22700      WRITE(22,21) (QCD(I),I=8,N)
22800      WRITE(22,22) (QAMN(I),I=8,N)
22900      WRITE(22,23) (QANI(I),I=8,N)
23000      WRITE(22,24) (QTA(I),I=8,N)
23100      WRITE(22,25) (QTC(I),I=8,N)
23200      WRITE(22,40) (WQI(I),I=8,N)
23300 12     FORMAT('QPH',24X,20F8.2)
23400 13     FORMAT('QDIS',23X,20F8.2)
23500 14     FORMAT('QHCO3',22X,20F8.2)
23600 15     FORMAT('QCO3',23X,20F8.2)
23700 16     FORMAT('QCL',23X,20F8.2)
23800 17     FORMAT('QSO4',21X,20F8.2)
23900 18     FORMAT('QCA',24X,20F8.2)
24000 19     FORMAT('QAMG',22X,20F8.2)
24100 20     FORMAT('QANA',22X,20F8.2)
24200 21     FORMAT('QCD',23X,20F8.2)
24300 22     FORMAT('QAMN',22X,20F8.2)
24400 23     FORMAT('QANI',23X,20F8.2)
24500 24     FORMAT('QTA',23X,20F8.2)
24600 25     FORMAT('QTC',23X,20F8.2)
24700 40     FORMAT('WQI',22X,20F8.2)
24800      STOP
24900      END
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00100 *****
00200 C      THIS PROGRAMME IS TO CALCULATE THE
00300 C      MINERAL INDEX (RPI)
00400 *****
00500      DIMENSION PH(30),ORP(30),COND(30),DIS(30)
00600      DIMENSION HCO3(30),CO3(30),CL(30),SO4(30)
00700      DIMENSION ANO3(30),ANO2(30),ANH3(30),CA(30)
00800      DIMENSION AMG(30),ANA(30),AK(30),FE(30)
00900      DIMENSION PB(30),ZN(30),CD(30),AMN(30)
01000      DIMENSION ANI(30),CO(30),GU(30),STA(30)
01100      DIMENSION TA(30),TC(30),APO4(30)
01200      DIMENSION QPH(30),QDIS(30),QHCO3(30),QCO3(30)
01300      DIMENSION QCL(30),QSO4(30),QCA(30),QAMG(30)
01400      DIMENSION QANA(30),QCD(30),QAMN(30),QANI(30)
01500      DIMENSION QTA(30),QTC(30),WGI(30)
01600      DIMENSION WQPH(30),WQDIS(30),WQHCO3(30),WQCO3(30)
01700      DIMENSION WQCL(30),WQSO4(30),WQCA(30),WQAMG(30)
01800      DIMENSION WQANA(30),WQCD(30),WQAMN(30),WQANI(30)
01900      DIMENSION WQTA(30),WQTC(30),WI(30)
02000      DIMENSION WPH(30),WDIS(30),WHCO3(30),WCO3(30),WCL(30)
02100      DIMENSION WSO4(30),WCA(30),WAMG(30),WANA(30),WCD(30)
02200      DIMENSION WAMN(30),WANI(30),WTA(30),WTC(30)
02300      OPEN (UNIT=21,DIALOG)
02400      OPEN (UNIT=22,DIALOG)
02500      READ (21,9)(STA(I),I=1,30)
02600 9      FORMAT (30A1)
02700      READ (21,*) N
02800      READ (21,*) ((PH(I),ORP(I),COND(I),DIS(I)
02900      1,HCO3(I),CO3(I),CL(I),SO4(I),ANO3(I),ANO2(I)
03000      2,ANH3(I),APO4(I),CA(I),AMG(I),ANA(I),AK(I),FE(I)
03100      3,PB(I),ZN(I),CD(I),AMN(I),ANI(I),CO(I)
03200      4,CU(I),TA(I),TC(I)),I=1,N)
03300      WRITE(22,10)(STA(I),I=1,30)
03400 10     FORMAT (5X,'STATION:',30A1//)
03500      WRITE (22,11)
03600 11     FORMAT (27X,'AUG.85',2X
03700      2,'OCT.85',2X,'DEC.85',2X,'FEB.86',2X
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03800      3, 'APR.86', 2X, 'JULY86', 2X, 'OCT.86', 2X, 'DEC.86' //)
03900      DO 35 I=1,10
04000      IF (PH(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.PH(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 101
04100      QPH(I)=10*(PH(I)/7.0)
04200 50     IF (DIS(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.DIS(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 102
04300      QDIS(I)=10*(DIS(I)/10.0)
04400 51     IF (HCO3(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.HCO3(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 103
04500      QHCO3(I)=10*(HCO3(I)/20.0)
04600 52     IF (CO3(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CO3(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 104
04700      QCO3(I)=10*(CO3(I)/1.0)
04800 53     IF (CL(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CL(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 105
04900      QCL(I)=10*(CL(I)/5.0)
05000 54     IF (SO4(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.SO4(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 106
05100      QSO4(I)=10*(SO4(I)/10.0)
05200 55     IF (CA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 107
05300      QCA(I)=10*(CA(I)/10.0)
05400 56     IF (AMG(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.AMG(I).EQ.-1.1) GO TO 108
05500      QAMG(I)=10*(AMG(I)/2.0)
05600 57     IF (ANA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.ANA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 109
05700      QANA(I)=10*(ANA(I)/2.0)
05800 58     IF (CD(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.CD(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 110
05900      QCD(I)=10*(CD(I)/50.0)
06000 59     IF (AMN(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.AMN(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 111
06100      QAMN(I)=10*(AMN(I)/50.0)
06200 60     IF (ANI(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.ANI(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 112
06300      QANI(I)=10*(ANI(I)/5.0)
06400 61     IF (TA(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.TA(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 113
06500      QTA(I)=10*(TA(I)/1.0)
06600 62     IF (QTC(I).EQ.-1.1.OR.QTC(I).EQ.-1.0) GO TO 114
06700      QTC(I)=10*(TC(I)/1.0)
06800      GO TO 90
06900 101    QPH(I)=0.000
07000      GO TO 50
07100 102    QDIS(I)=0.000
07200      GO TO 51
07300 103    QHCO3(I)=0.000
07400      GO TO 52
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07500 104   QCO3(I)=0.000
07600      GO TO 53
07700 105   QCL(I)=0.000
07800      GO TO 54
07900 106   QSO4(I)=0.000
08000      GO TO 55
08100 107   QCA(I)=0.000
08200      GO TO 56
08300 108   QAMG(I)=0.000
08400      GO TO 57
08500 109   QANA(I)=0.000
08600      GO TO 58
08700 110   QCD(I)=0.000
08800      GO TO 59
08900 111   QAMN(I)=0.000
09000      GO TO 60
09100 112   QANI(I)=0.000
09200      GO TO 61
09300 113   QTA(I)=0.000
09400      GO TO 62
09500 114   QTC(I)=0.000
09600 90    WI(I)=(QPH(I)+QDIS(I)+QHCO3(I)+QCO3(I)+QCL(I)+QSO4(I)
09700      1+QCA(I)+QAMG(I)+QCD(I)+QANA(I)+QAMN(I)+QANI(I)+QTA(I)
09800      2+QTC(I))
09900      TYPE *,WI(I)
10000      WQI(I)=0.666*WI(I)
10100      TYPE *,WQI(I)
10200 35    CONTINUE
10300      WRITE(22,12) (QPH(I),I=1,N)
10400      WRITE(22,13) (QDIS(I),I=1,N)
10500      WRITE(22,14) (QHCO3(I),I=1,N)
10600      WRITE(22,15) (QCO3(I),I=1,N)
10700      WRITE(22,16) (QCL(I),I=1,N)
10800      WRITE(22,17) (QSO4(I),I=1,N)
10900      WRITE(22,18) (QCA(I),I=1,N)
11000      WRITE(22,19) (QAMG(I),I=1,N)
11100      WRITE(22,20) (QANA(I),I=1,N)
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11200 WRITE(22,21) (QCD(I),I=1,N)
11300 WRITE(22,22) (QAMN(I),I=1,N)
11400 WRITE(22,23) (QANI(I),I=1,N)
11500 WRITE(22,24) (QTA(I),I=1,N)
11600 WRITE(22,25) (QTC(I),I=1,N)
11700 WRITE(22,39) (WI(I),I=1,N)
11800 WRITE(22,40) (WQI(I),I=1,N)
11900 12 FORMAT ('QPH',24X,20F8.2)
12000 13 FORMAT ('QDIS',23X,20F8.2)
12100 14 FORMAT ('QHCO3',22X,20F8.2)
12200 15 FORMAT ('QCO3',23X,20F8.2)
12300 16 FORMAT ('QCL',24X,20F8.2)
12400 17 FORMAT ('QSO4',23X,20F8.2)
12500 18 FORMAT ('QCA',24X,20F8.2)
12600 19 FORMAT ('QMG',24X,20F8.2)
12700 20 FORMAT ('QNA',24X,20F8.2)
12800 21 FORMAT ('QCD',24X,20F8.2)
12900 22 FORMAT ('QMN',24X,20F8.2)
13000 23 FORMAT ('QNI',24X,20F8.2)
13100 24 FORMAT ('QTA',24X,20F8.2)
13200 25 FORMAT ('QTA',24X,20F8.2)
13300 39 FORMAT ('WI(I)',24X,20F8.2)
13400 40 FORMAT('WQI',23X,20F8.2)
13500 STOP
13600 END
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