



Coastal Reservoirs-New Era Solution for Water Woes



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WB study: Climate change to hit living standards of 600m Indians

Could Dent GDP By 2.8%: World Bank

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New Delhi: Unchecked climate change will dent India's GDP by 2.8% and depress the living standards of nearly half the population by 2050, with people living in the severe "hotspot" districts of central India, particularly Vidharbha, staring at the prospect of an over 10% dip in economic consumption.

These are the findings of a first-of-its-kind World Bank study that quantifies the economic impacts of rising temperatures and changes in rainfall in different parts of the country due to global warming.

The study South Asia's Hotspots, released on Thursday, projects a 2% fall in the country's GDP - in terms of per capita consumption expenditures - even if the 2015 Paris Agreement goals of containing global warming to 2 degrees C is achieved.

A 2.8% drop in GDP will cost India \$1.1 trillion by 2050. The loss in the severe hotspot districts, with an average 9.8% drop in consumption, will amount to over \$400 billion, the study says.

The report finds that inland regions are at far higher risk of economic losses due to rising temperatures than coastal or hilly areas, with the maximum impact likely to be felt in central and north India. Among states, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh

A SLOW-MOVING DISASTER

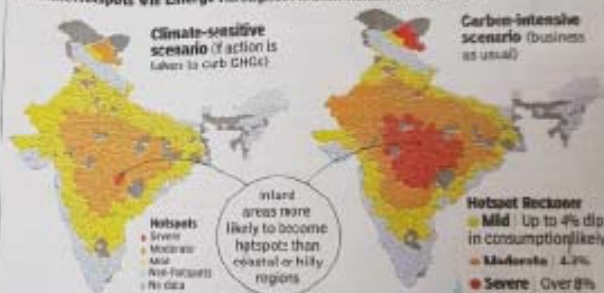
600 million Indians, nearly half of country's population, live in places likely to become moderate or severe climate hotspots by 2050

By 2050, India is likely to see 2.8% drop in GDP as a loss of \$1.1 trillion. A conservative guess, as it's controlled

WHAT IS A CLIMATE HOTSPOT?

It's a location where gradual changes in average temperature and sea-level patterns will have negative impacts on living standards in future

Climate Hotspots Will Emerge Throughout Indian Hinterland by 2050



Worst-hit States

State	Drop in living standards (%)
Chhattisgarh	9.4
Madhya Pradesh	9.1
Bihar	6.4
Uttar Pradesh	4.9
Maharashtra	4.4
Haryana	4.4
Andhra Pradesh	3.4
Punjab	3.3
All India	2.8

Vidharbha Faces Max Heat

Region may have 7 out of 10 worst-hit districts

District	Drop in living standards (%)
Chandrapur	12.4
Bhandara	11.9
Gondiya	11.8
Wardha	11.3
Nagpur	11.7

are projected to witness over 9% dip in living standards by 2050 in the business as usual scenario.

The Vidharbha region, a ground zero of farm distress in the country, is projected to be in the centre of climate-related misery as well. Seven of the 11 major "hotspot" districts mentioned in the report are in Vidharbha.

"Temperature rise is a slow-moving disaster that's not talked about much," said economist Muthalaxman Murthy, the lead author of the study "A lot of focus of climate change studies is on extreme events so people tend

to ignore these gradual changes happening for the last 50-60 years." The study found that nearly 500 million people in India today live in places that will become moderate or severe hotspots by 2050 under the unchecked climate-change scenario.

Full report on www.toi.in

THE TIMES OF INDIA, BENGALURU
SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018

TIMES NATION

Water-Stressed India May Not Be Able To Meet Its future Demand

Experts say community-driven, nature-based solutions are the way to correct India's grim water situation, reports Radheshyam Jadhav in the first of a series for the second edition of TOI's Water Positive campaign

RUNNING OUT OF WATER?

India's thirst will grow. In 2050, India's water demand projected to reach 1,180 billion cubic metres (BCM)

Contrasting the total availability of 1,137 billion cubic metres (BCM)



Water of 1,137

Evaporates

Surface Water: 690
Ground Water: 447

4,600 cubic km
Global water demand per year

Increase 20%-30% to between 5,500 and 6,000 cubic km per year by 2050

over half the world will face water scarcity...

27% of the global population or 1.9 billion people live in potential severely water-scarce areas

early 50% of global population or 3.4 billion people live in potential water-scarce areas at least one month per year

at 71% of the affected people live in Asia

scarcity, leading to a quantity of water available for human needs," the report says.

Urban areas, infrastructure, including green buildings, is an emerging phenomenon that is emphasising new sustainable and technological standards that embrace NBS. That's beginning, but there's a long way to go. The challenges are many.

The report of a consultant that looked into the restructuring of the Central Water Commission and the Central Ground Water Board points a grim picture, noting that many of India's per-capita water flows are a crisis of post-monsoon flows. Water tables are falling in most parts and there is fluoride, arsenic, mercury and even uranium in groundwater.

Climate change poses a fresh challenge, as extreme weather increases the impact of floods and droughts. Calculations based on water estimates of the amount of water lost to the atmosphere by evapotranspiration suggest that water that can be put to use in India will be about 604 billion cubic metres (BCM), very close to the

"We need to ensure regulation of groundwater via decentralised, aquifer-level, community-driven efforts"

that this could reduce further to 1,341 cubic metres and 1,140 cubic metres by 2021 and 2050, respectively.

"Annual per capita water availability is less than 1,700 cubic metres in most of the water-stressed condition, whereas annual per capita water availability below 1,000 cubic metres is considered as a water scarcity condition."

Water availability of many regions is below the national average and are considered water-stressed watersheds. The Union Water Resources Ministry is concerned in this regard.



As liquid as it gets

BY PATHMA SUBRAMANIAM

Earth's glaciers and polar caps are melting at an astonishing speed. Taps in South Africa almost ran dry last year while India and Australia recently faced severe droughts — the likes of which has not been experienced in decades.

Water is becoming one of the most coveted resources as global warming, pollution, urbanisation and an increasing population exert pressure on minute global freshwater reserves. To exacerbate the water shortage, millions of people across the world fall sick or die every year from diseases associated with

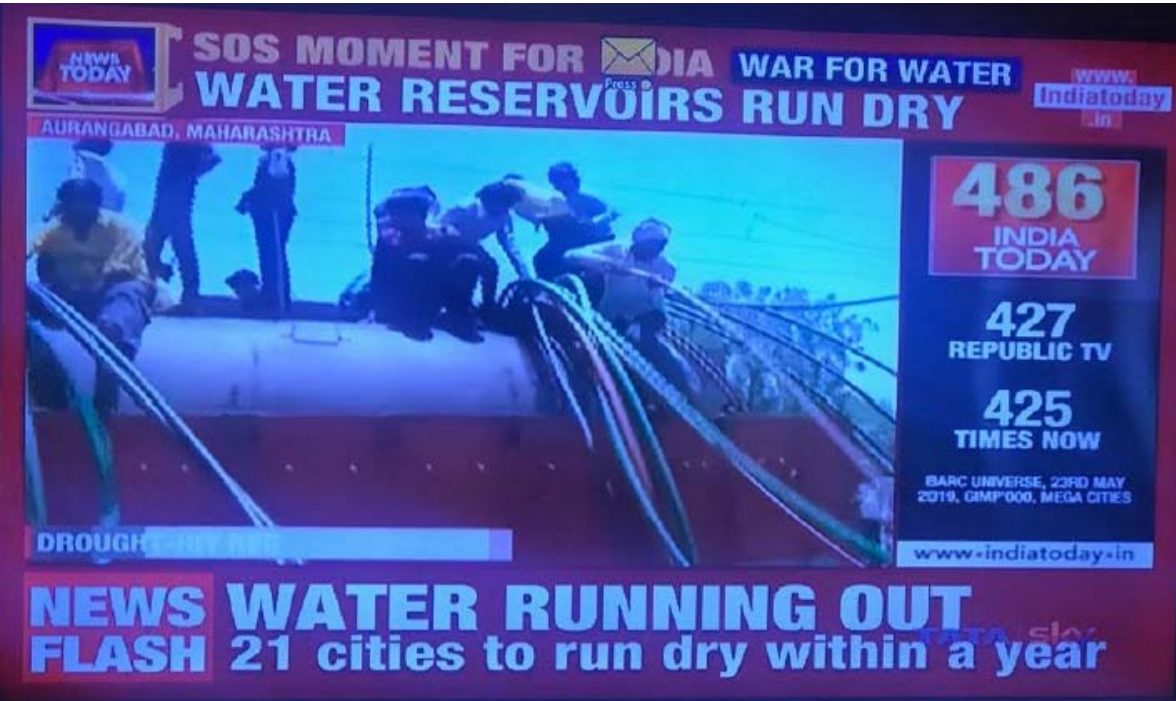


Residents fill their containers with drinking water from a municipal tanker in New Delhi, India, which is grappling with...





Praying Water for Bangalore



HOW BAD IS THE WATER CRISIS IN INDIA?

(A TIMELINE FORECAST)



impulse

Every drop counts

As India reels from the effects of a severe water shortage, startups have begun offering innovative ways to help people access safe drinking water. But how feasible are these solutions?

SNEHA BHATTACHARJEE

This year saw a city run out of water completely. It was one of the world's greatest tourist destinations, Cape Town. Government reports suggest India's per capita availability of water has been reducing progressively due to an increase in population and the country is facing water stress. To add to this, a report titled, "The state of the world's water" by WaterAid says India has the lowest per capita access to clean drinking water - close to 533 million Indians are said to be suffering from this scarcity. At the same time, the report adds that it is also one of the world's most-improved nations for reaching the most people with clean water.

Further, it states the challenges faced by the country as: Falling groundwater levels, drought, demand from agriculture and industry, pollution and poor water resource management. Despite the government restructuring rural water programme with a goal to reach 90 per cent of rural households with piped water by 2022, the challenges will only intensify as 'climate change contributes to more extreme weather shocks'.

"What we need currently is accountability of the existing resources and ensure that whatever is available to us, is maintained well," says Dharmesh Shah, an independent researcher on environment from Chennai. On one of his research projects to an area in North Chennai, Shah came across people paying for using 20 litre jar bottles. "The ground-

water has been left to no use because there has been constant deposition of garbage right above the source of water. In such a situation, the common man has no choice but to pay and use water," he adds.

As the government data suggests India's average annual per capita water may reduce to 1,340 cubic meters in 2025 and 1,140 cubic meters in 2030, it is a welcome relief to see some organisations using natural resources, IOT (Internet of Things) to provide accessibility to safe and clean drinking water.

Take the case of Hyderabad-based Uravu Labs. Co-founder Swapnil Saravastava told Business Standard they source water from "air" using solar energy. "A panel that can be installed on the rooftop that will attract water in the night, use sunlight through the day to heat it up, a condenser that will cool the water and then supply to the user through pipes," says Saravastava. They are still four to six months away from their official launch but are hoping to tie up with the government and the NGOs and reach places and people who do not have access to clean drinking water and where the infrastructure is missing.

Bengaluru-based OCEO works on "pay per use" model. "The water purifier is IOT enabled and is installed at the user's location. They can recharge or buy water credits online through mobile and web application," says Vikram Gulicchia, one of the co-founders.

This way, the user pays only for the purified water and there is no cost involved for machine and maintenance. "There is a zero capping on maximum consumption of water for the user.



The government restructured the rural water programme to reach 90 per cent of households with piped water by 2022

"Though we have observed that 15-20 litres per day is consumed by a household, users can consume as many litres of water from the device without having to worry about its maintenance for a lifetime," adds Gulicchia.

Gurgaon-based Swajal has water ATMs or shops across 15 states. Their idea has been to provide for accessibility in public places and small hamlets. Swajal started in 2011 for cluster of villages. The water ATMs come with solar pumps, and use locally available water. The machines are all self-run and have been programmed for self-cleaning too. "We have for every 30 machines, one technician available. Our machines are connected via IOT to our data centre in Delhi where we monitor their

maintenances," says Vibha Tripathi, one of the founding partners, Swajal. This year, they are launching this project in areas where water quality is bad, and also teach people about water conservation and rainwater harvesting.

"It may sound great but come to think of it, we have actually let go of our water resource to private players. A resource that is already diminishing," feels Shah. "At the end of the day, we are using environment to produce water, isn't it putting pressure on the environment further?" he concludes adding instead the government should look at cleaning the already existing resources and ensure people have safe drinking water in their homes without paying for it.



People welcoming river water



Drinking water as the substance to transformation
<http://blueplantenetwork.org>

Projected water demand in India for various sectors (Govt of India 2006)

Sector Year	Standing Sub-Committee of MOWR			NCIWRD		
	2010	2025	2050	2010	2025	2050
Irrigation	688	910	1,072	557	611	807
Drinking water	56	73	102	43	62	111
Industry	12	23	63	37	67	81
Energy	5	15	130	19	33	70
Other	52	72	80	54	70	111
	813	1,093	1,447	710	843	1,180

All values in BCM.

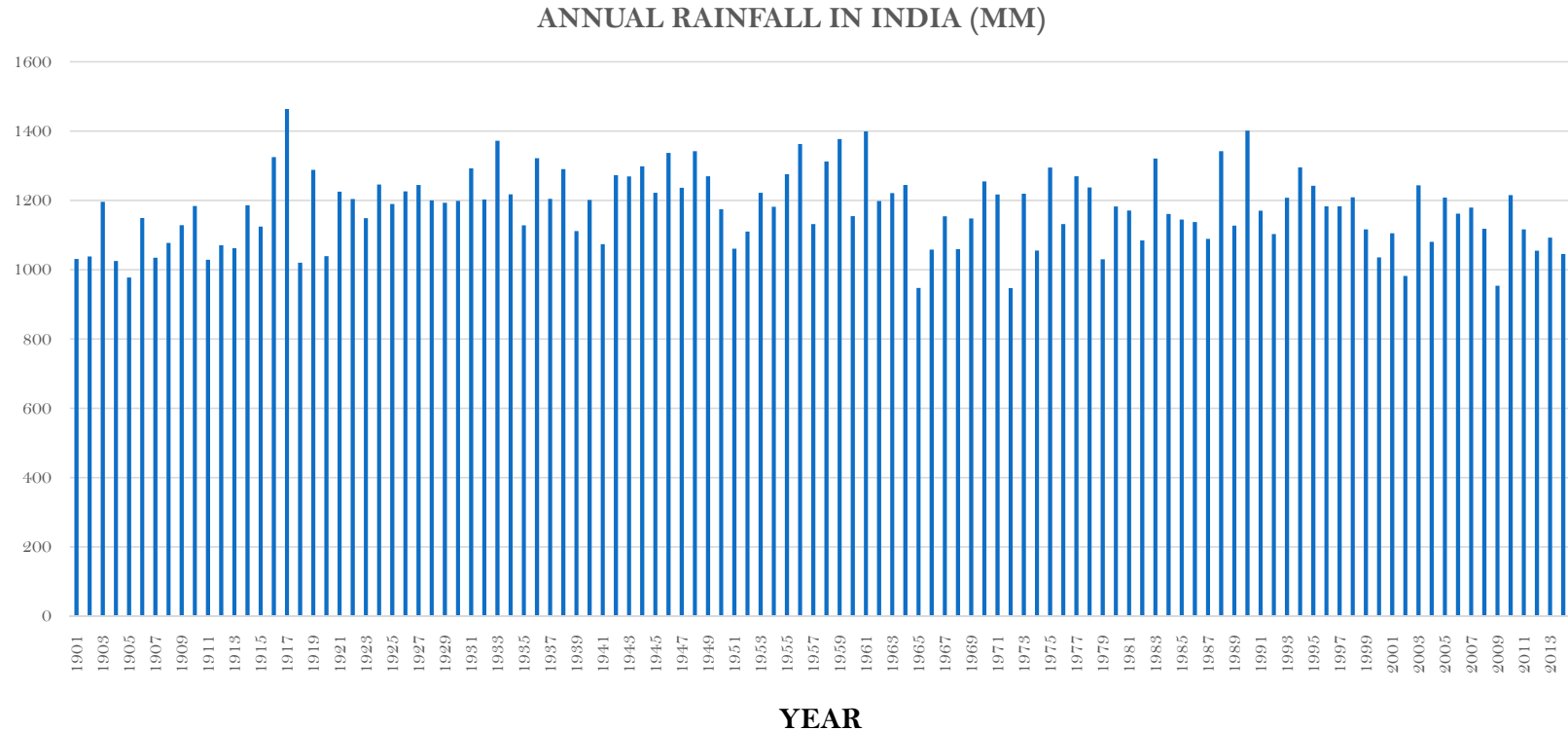
Sources and Options we have to address water supply issue?

**Sources: Rainwater, Surface water, Subsurface flow,
Ground water and Sea water**

Primary renewable source of freshwater is Rainfall

OPTIONS

- More inland reservoirs
- Interlinking of rivers – to optimize the surface water
- Ground water
- desalination plants,
- wastewater reuse facilities,
- **Coastal reservoirs**



AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL IN INDIA IS 1176 MM

Global Dam Construction

- Very few large dams after 2000
- More and more people have realized the problems of large dam construction on land
- Silting process – reduce storage – 75% silt will be left on land

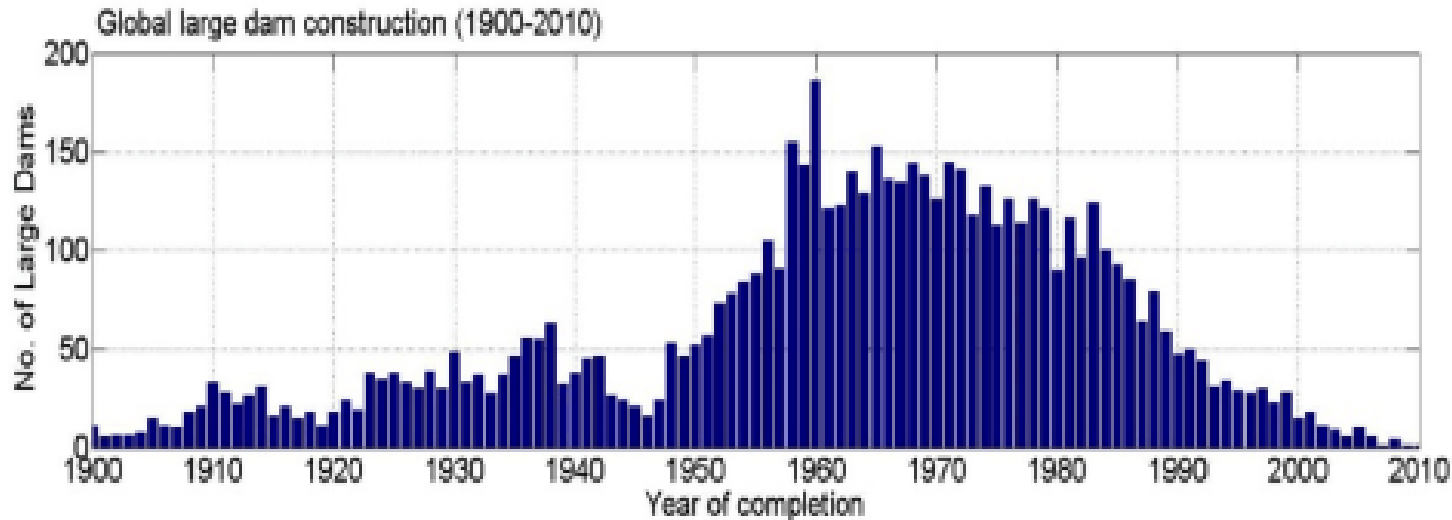
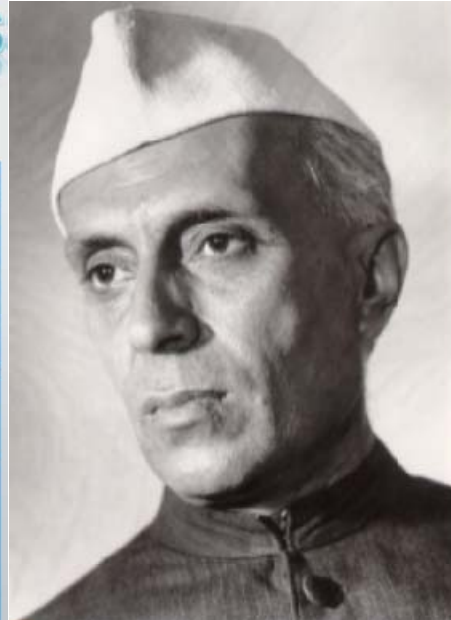


Figure 1. Global dam construction over the past 100 years, Source: Global Reservoir and Dam (GRanD) Database.

“DAMS ARE THE TEMPLES
OF MODERN INDIA”



Dams are the temples of
modern India, where I
worship...

--Jawaharlal Nehru, 1954. First Prime
Minister of independent India

India – A country of rivers



7 MAJOR RIVERS

- Indus
- Ganga
- Brahmaputra
- Godavari
- Krishna
- Narmada
- Tapi
- Mahanadhi
- 400+ - Main Tributaries

India has more than 5000 large dams

**3rd LARGEST DAM BUILDING
COUNTRY IN THE WORLD**

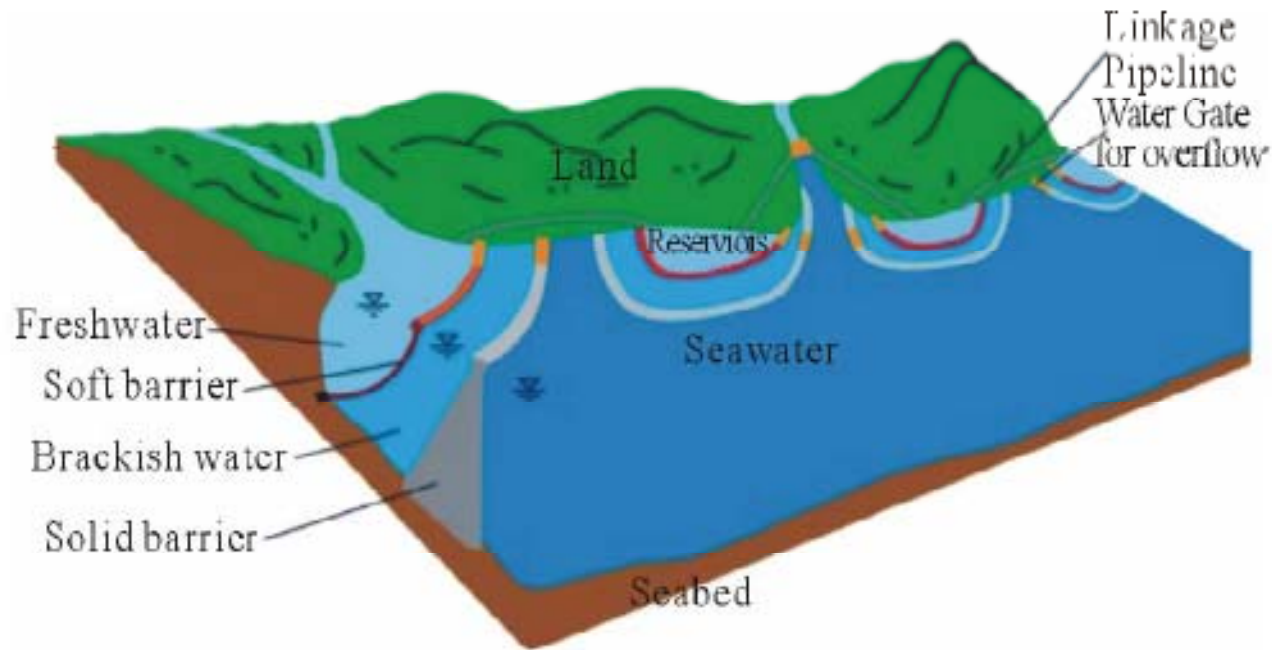
COASTAL RESERVOIRS



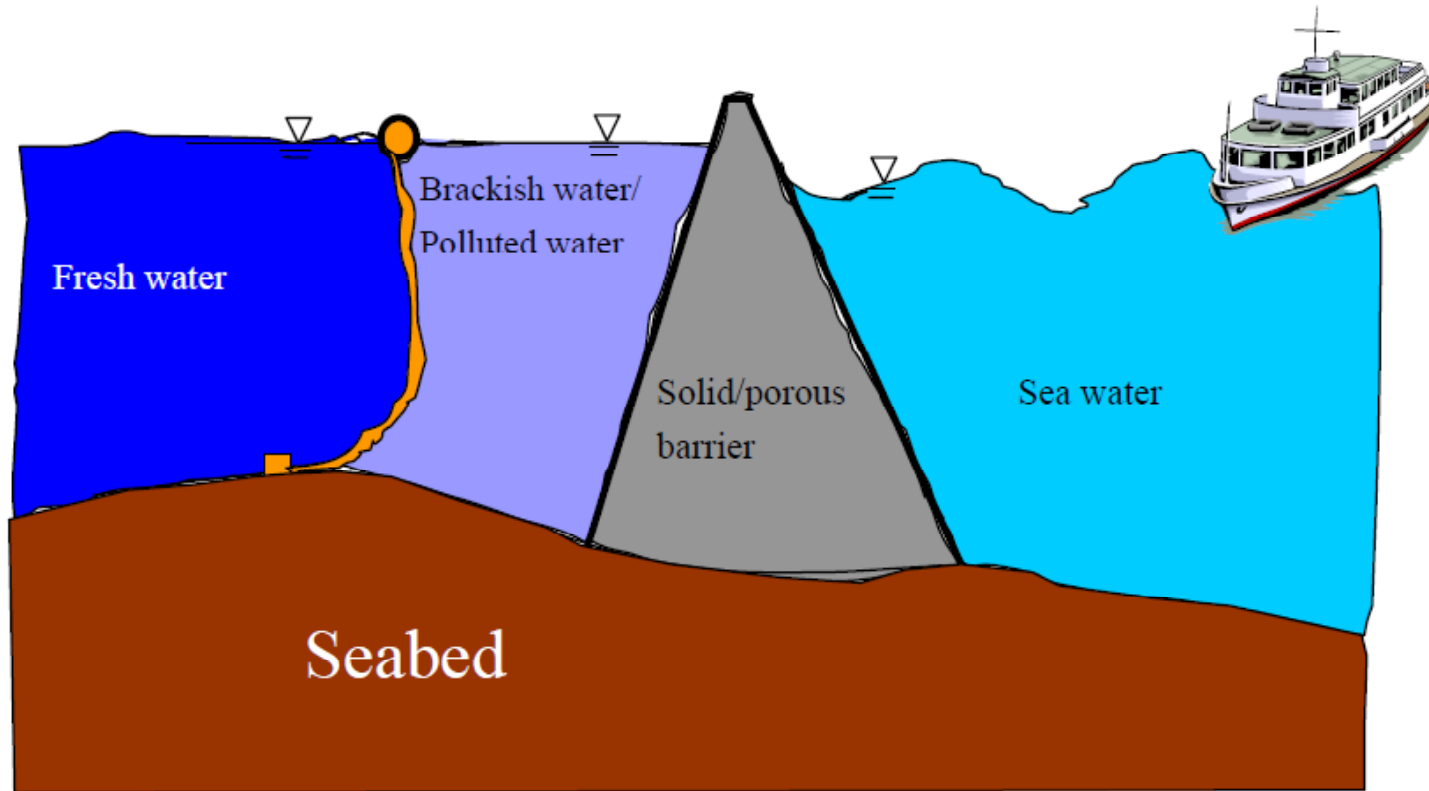
What is Coastal Reservoir?

- **Definition:** a water storage in a large water body where inside and outside waters are different in physical, chemical, biological parameters. Simply, a freshwater reservoir inside seawater.
- location: inner, outer or beside a river mouth.
- Purpose: drinking, irrigation, industrial usage, flood defense, reclamation, energy storage, red-tidal control, fish farming, ballast water recycle.....

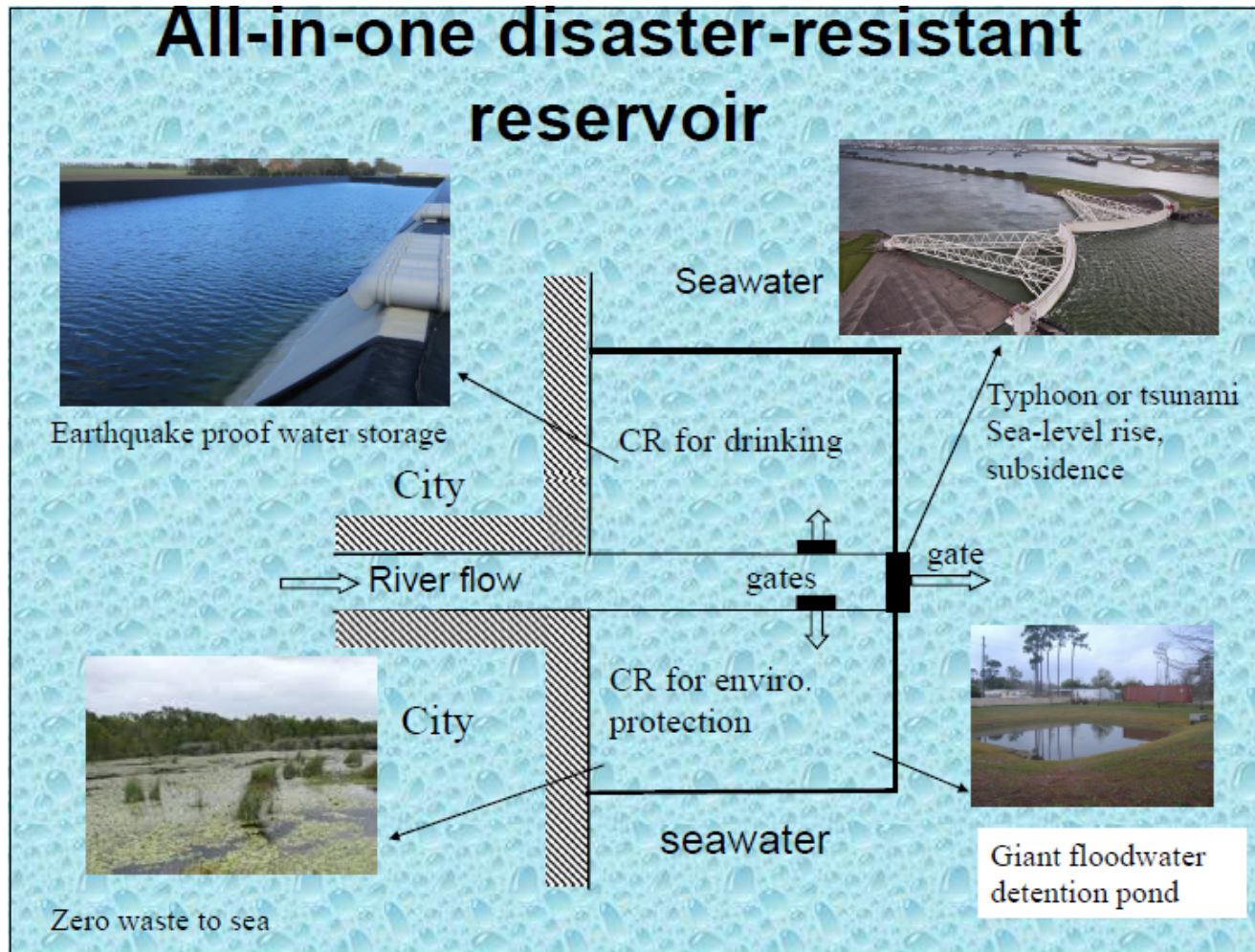
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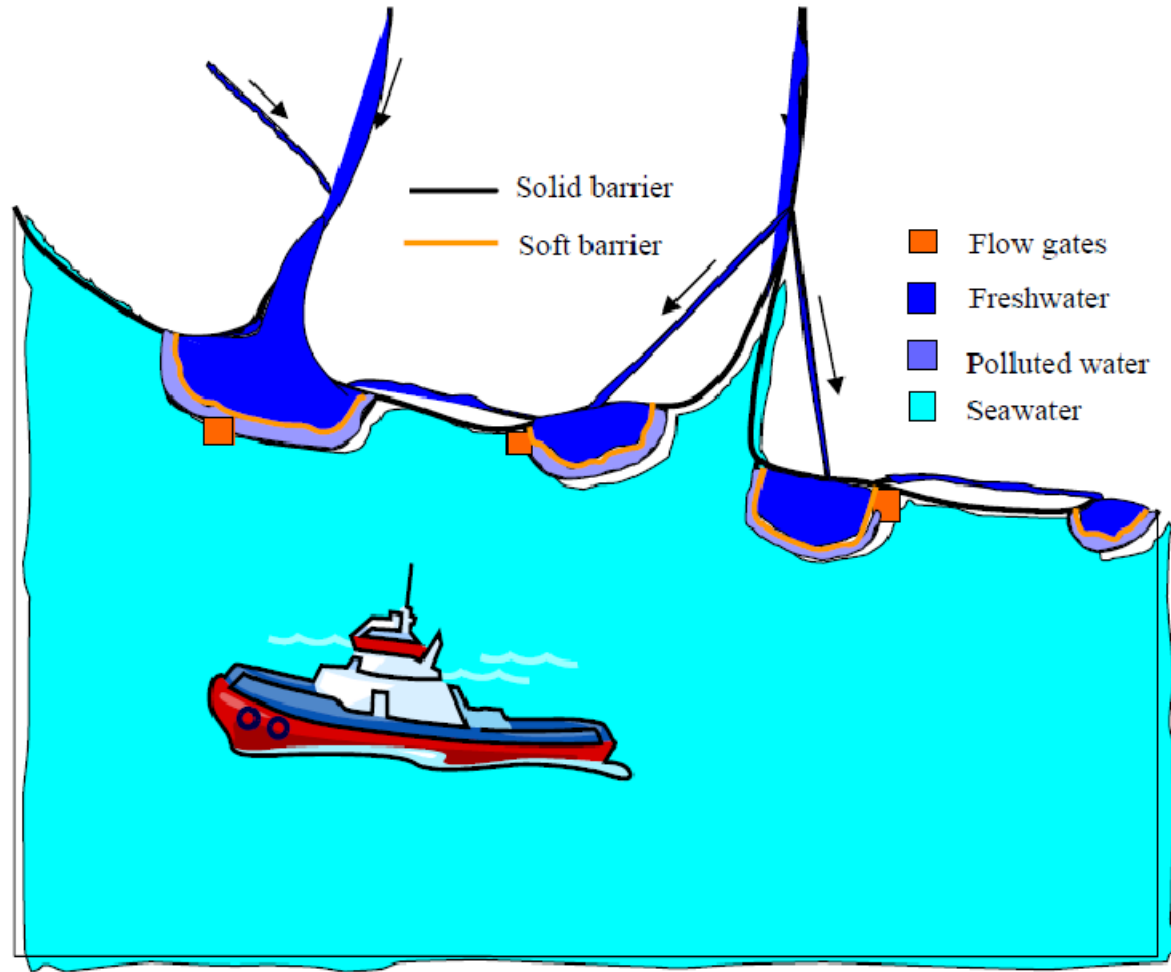
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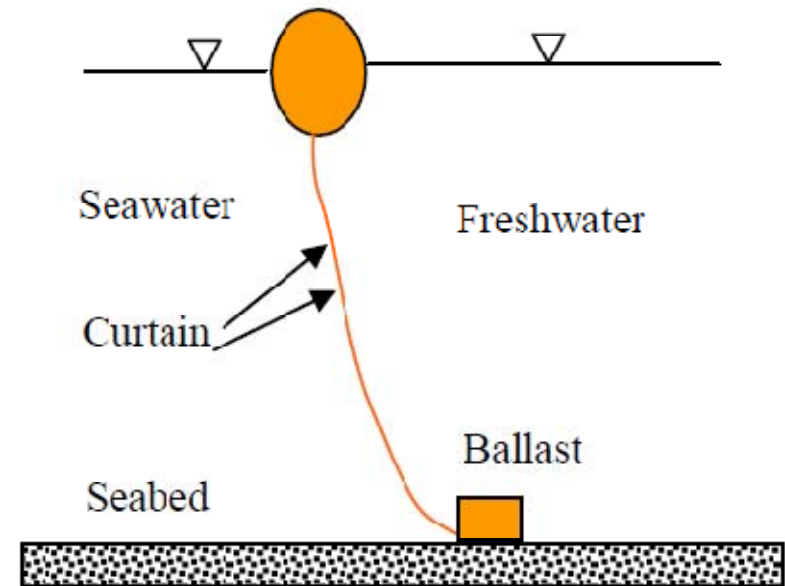
Typical Cross Section of Coastal Reservoir



Schematic of Coastal Reservoir that Enables storage of Fresh water during river floods (Jianli Liu et.al 2013)



Coastal Reservoir with Soft Dam



Coastal Reservoir with Soft Dam

Sea based reservoirs Vs on Land reservoir's

Item	Coastal Reservoir	On land reservoir
Dam Site	Sea (Inside / outside river mouth)	Valley (limited area)
Water level	At sea level	Above sea level
Pressure	Low pressure along with wave surges	High water pressures
Catchment area	Entire Catchment of the river course	Partial catchment
Seepage	By density difference (Slow)	By head difference (fast)
Pollutant	Land based and sea water	Land based
Land acquisition	Nil	High
Environmental damage	Nil (no forest damage, no displacement of people, etc.)	Very high (difficult to build dams now a days)
Water Supply	By pumping	Mainly by gravity
Construction cost	Low	High



Advantages of sea based reservoirs

No harm to any of the river basins and no alteration to the river course (no temporary diversions as well)

No disturbance to any forest cover

No submergence of land

No physical displacement of people and their villages / towns

Agriculture activity can be augmented

Coastal erosion can be minimized

Ground water recharge due to fresh water in estuarine areas

Intrusion of saline water into wells will reduce

Freshwater dredging will provide sand for construction



Advantages of sea based reservoir

Earthquake resistant sea walls

Solar panels on the sea wall – Solar energy

Tidal energy at the wall

Roadways over the sea wall, Fresh water Fishing, Navigation and Tourism

Real estate opportunities

Length and width of sea wall - serve as a deep water fishing harbor - benefit the fishing community.

Increase in industrial, recreational and fisheries activity around this fresh water

Existing **Coastal** reservoirs around the world

(modified after Yang and Kelly, 2015)



Country	Name	Purpose
Netherlands	1. Afsluitdijk in the IJsselmeer, 1932	Flood control
	2. Zuider Zee, 1937	Flood control
India	Thanneermukkom bund, 1974	Agriculture
South Korea	1. Sihwa, 1994	Tidal energy
	2. Saemanguem, 2010	Land reclamation and fresh water
Hong Kong	1. Shek pik, 1968	Fresh water
	2. Plover cove	
	3. High land	
China	1. Qingcaosha, 2011	Fresh water
	2. Chenhang, 1992	
	3. Baogang, 1985	
Singapore	Marina barrage, 2008	Fresh water
United Kingdom	Cardiff Bay project	Freshwater and coastal area development

On 25 September 1933, the Afsluitdijk, NETHERLANDS was officially opened



Construction of Large Freshwater reservoirs in Bays – Hong Kong

- 1963-64 – Water Rationing – every 4 days for 4 hours of water supply – use of sea water for flushing
- Fresh water reservoirs in the sea
 - The Shek Pik reservoir – 1957 to 1963 – 24M cubic meters
 - Plover Cove reservoir – 1968 – 230 M cubic m
 - High Island reservoir – 1978 – 290 M cubic meters
- Continuous water supply was restored
- Desalination plant commissioned in 1975 was even decommissioned



Coastal Reservoirs of Hong kong

Shek Pik reservoir



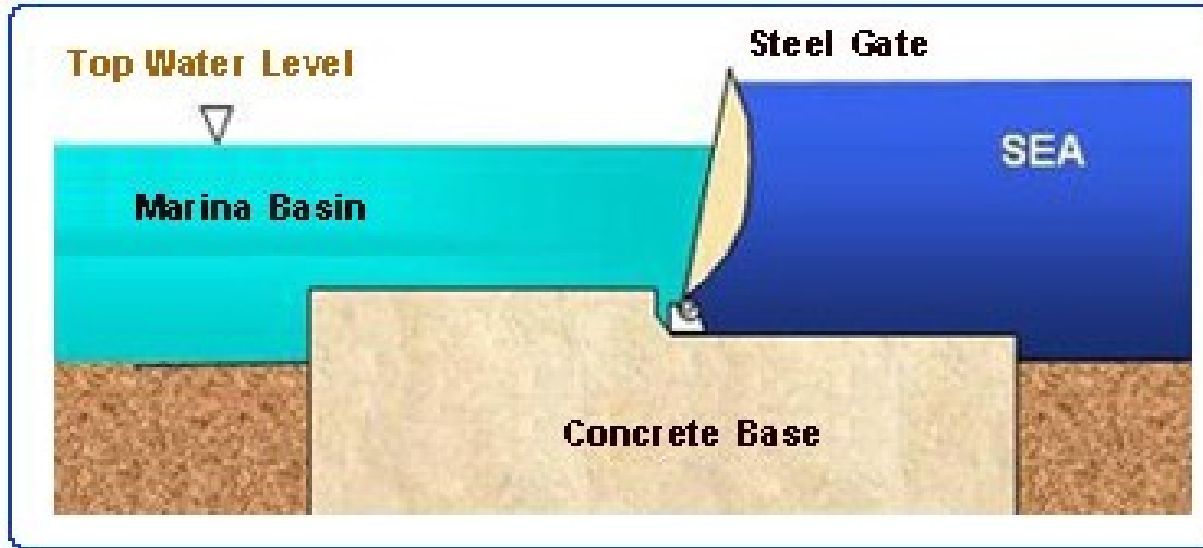
High Island Reservoir



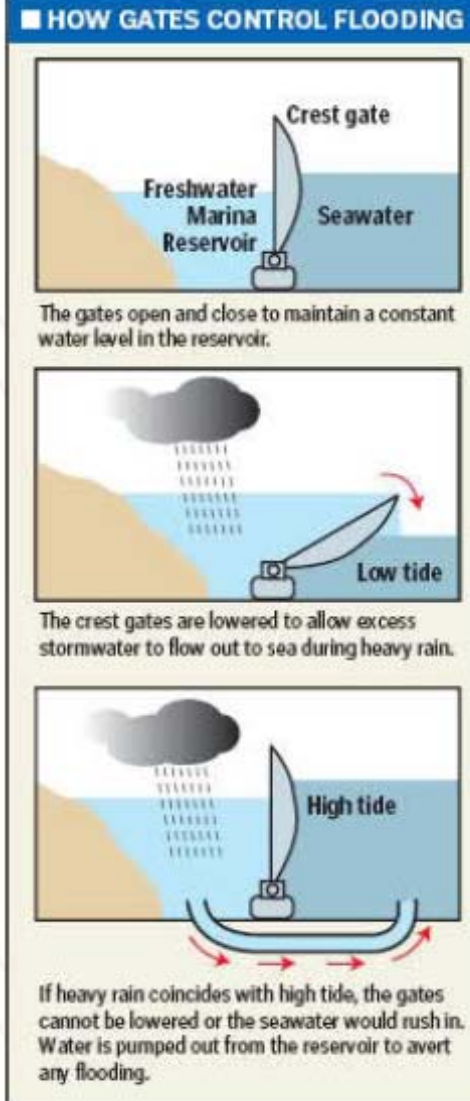
Plover Cove Reservoir



HOW DOES THE BARRAGE WORK?



Nine numbers of 26.8-metre-long hydraulically operated steel crest gates, will be built across the 350m wide Marina Channel to keep out sea water.



Marina Reservoir,

Marina Bay,

Singapore -2008

Operations
started Nov
20, 2010

Saemangeum Seawall- KOREA



Qingcaosha Reservoir in Shanghai





Coastal reservoirs –Under Planning stage

1. Pluit Reservoir Revitalization Project, Jakarta, Indonesia,
2. Kalpasar project, Gulf of Kambhat, Indian Water Project, Gujarat,
3. Sydney and other coastal cities, Australia,
4. New York , USA
5. Netravati river project, Mangalore, India

The India's Water Scenario



Rainfall
1176mm

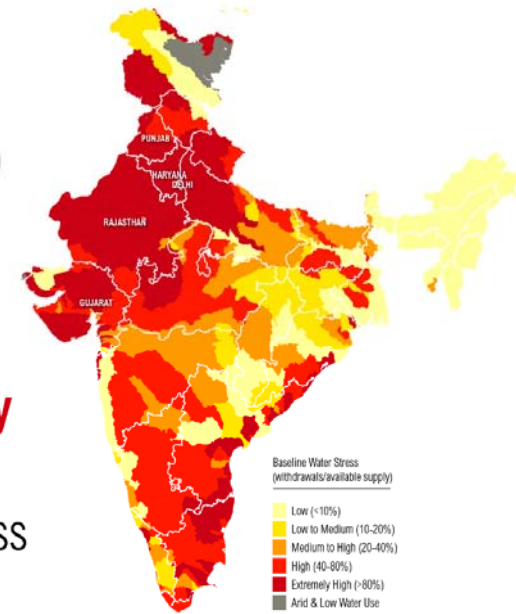


Built more than 5000 Dams
Standing 3rd in World

Fresh Water Shortage

- Availability of freshwater per capita is declining
- WATER STRESS – Developing world
- Water demand in coastal regions is also increasing
- India is not running out of water but Water is running out of India

54%
of India
Faces
**High to
Extremely
High**
Water Stress

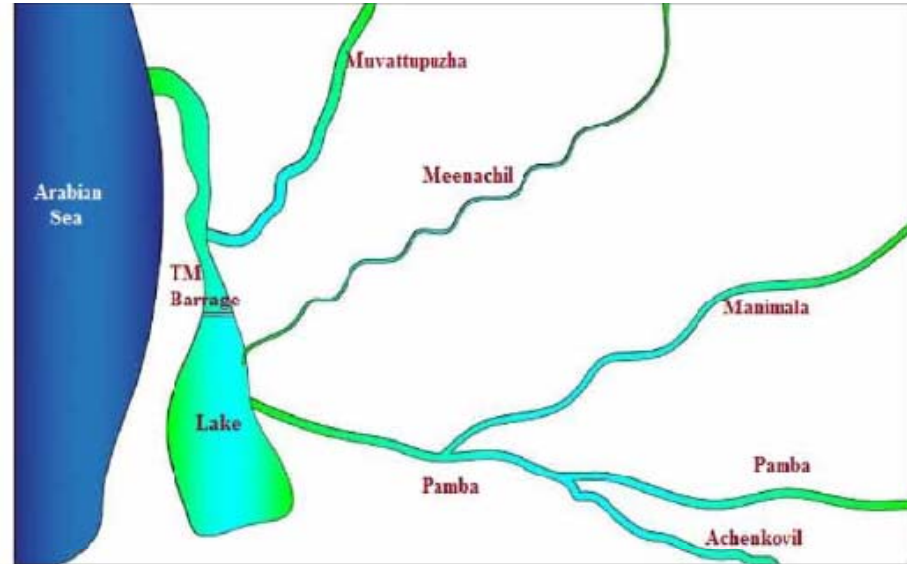


COASTAL RESERVOIRS INDIAN SCENARIO





**Bird's eye view of
Thannermukkom barrage**



**Location of barrages across
Vembanadu Lake**

(S Kolathayar et.al 2018)

(a)



Coastal reservoir in the Gulf of Khambhat in Gujarat State

(b)



Development plan to supply water for the entire Gujarat coast using the CR (Kalpasar (2016))



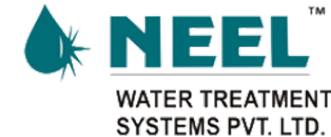
First International Seminar on Coastal Reservoirs Research & Review meeting of BWSSB project on Feasibility studies of Coastal reservoir across Netravathi River

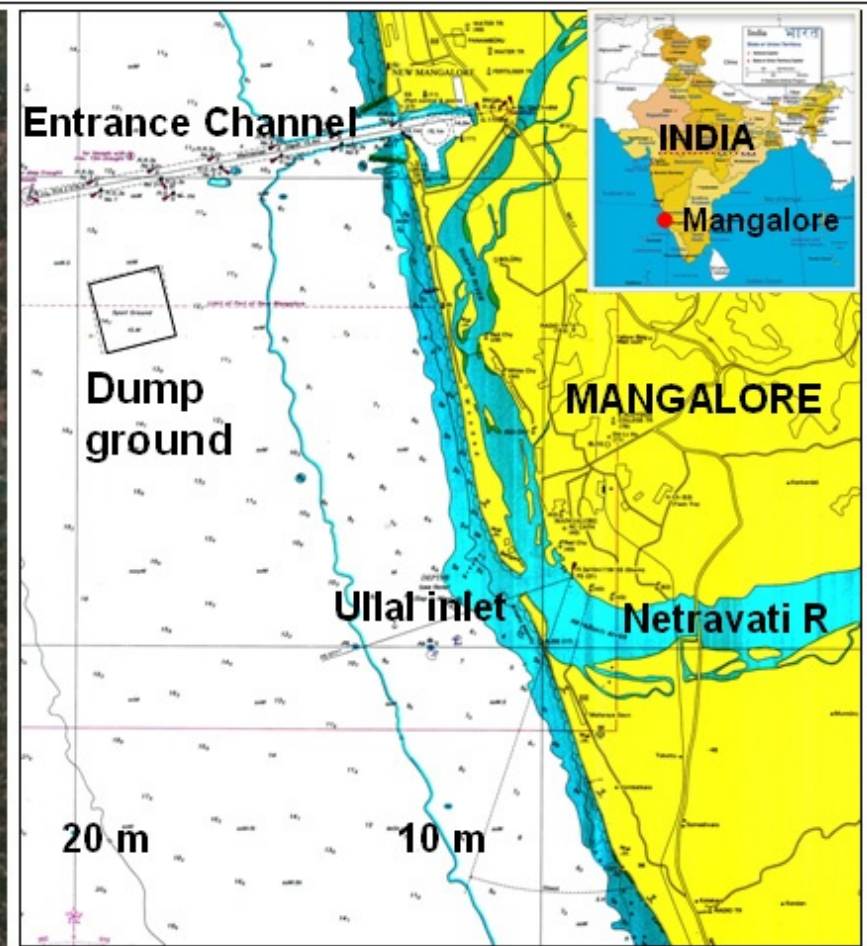


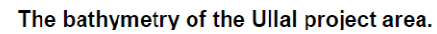
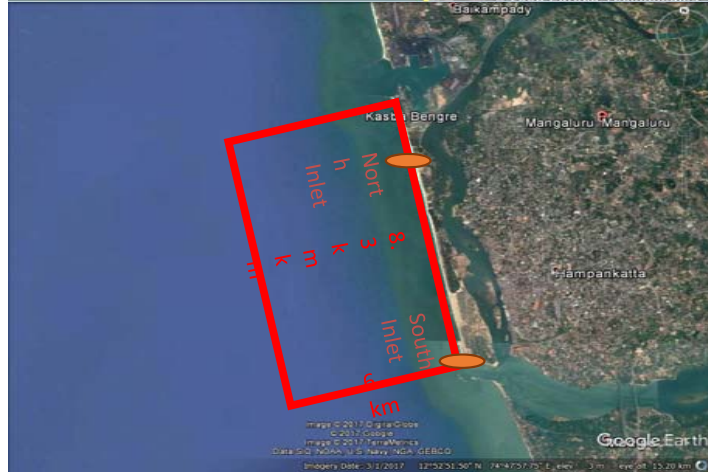
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Feasibility Implications

- Enough water available? **YES** upto 385 TMC per year
- Can the water requirement of Bangalore & Mangalore be met? **YES.** Just with less than 10% of runoff
- Is Water quality good enough? **YES** No major treatment needed
- Is proposed reservoir safe from natural hazards? **YES.** Can provide extra safety against Tsunami hazard
- Will this enhance the overall coastal livelihoods? **YES** Provided Fresh water fishing is encouraged. Need to bring awareness.
- Cost Effective? **YES**



**An Attractive, Clean and Beautiful Mangalore Waterfront City
in Future with proposed coastal reservoir**

The first International workshop on Coastal Reservoirs was organized on 19th July 2017 at Amrita University Coimbatore which was participated by 60 delegates from various organizations in India and abroad.



World Water Summit 2019 – 21st to 23rd August 2019





**Feasibility study on Coastal Reservoir Concept to
Impound Kaveri River Flood Waters: A Sustainable
Strategy for Water Resource Development for
Mangalore and Bangalore**

Interim Report Submitted to
Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB), Bangalore

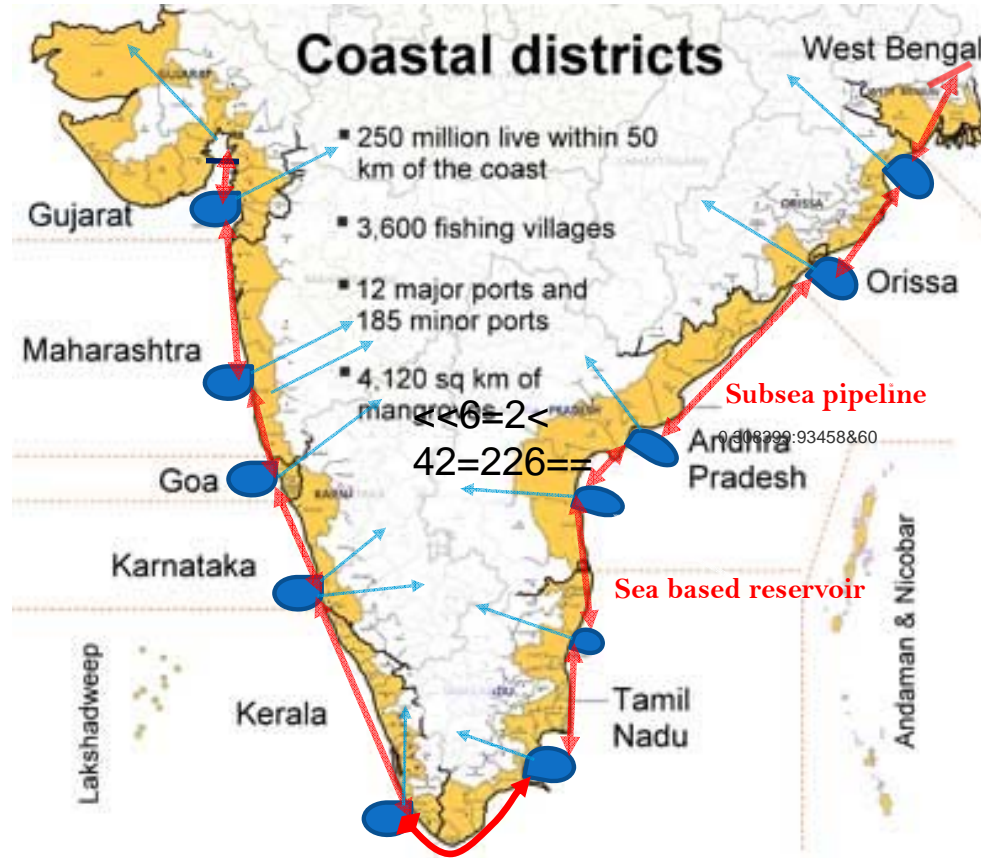
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SAROVAR MALA



coastal reservoirs – 1110 BCM connected through sub **surface** pipeline in ocean – Perennial water source by connecting to Ganga / Hooghly river

- Reservoirs along with solar power generating stations to generate enough power to pump the treated fresh flood waters to interior dams and ponds / tanks
- 4500 kms of pipeline connecting 12 Reservoirs
- Size of reservoirs – can be small also if we can use the kere's and existing dams to store water in peninsular India
- Water will be available throughout as Ganga basin is being connected to southern grid

Indian patent No: TEMP/E-1/44294/2016-CHE – Smart water network to store river flood water in sea based reservoirs and a method of Interlinking these reservoirs (Sarovar Mala)

River basins Considered

- Godavari
- Mandovi
- Nethravathi
- Mahanadhi
- Ponniyar
- Tapi
- Vaippar
- Kallada

Possible coastal reservoirs



Australia's water crisis



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Editorial: Drought shows political failure
14 Oct 06

The states are to blame for water problems, not nature

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RURAL

**Gearing up
for a war
over water**

**Water
crisis
limits
growth**

Population cap cal as part of long-term
planning for south-east Queensland
By GREGORY JOHNSON 11 OCT 2006



THE AUSTRALIAN

When all the rivers run dry

We are facing the death of our greatest river system,
write **Selina Mitchell** and **Asa Wahlquist**
14 Oct 06



How to do without dams?



NEWSPOLL™

Drink recycled sewage

Percentage
support

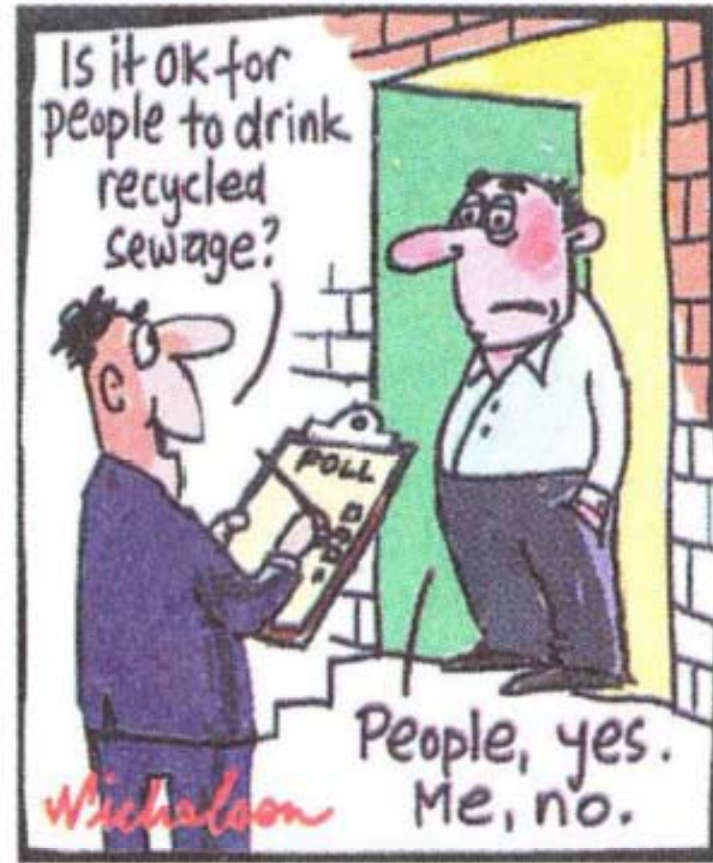
Yes

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No

29

What will be the future reality?





Summary and Conclusion

- 1. IACRR recognises that world is not running out of water, but water is running out of our river mouths**
- 2. Water dominates every policy and other Sustainable Development Goals.**
- 3. Coastal Reservoirs provide a solution to water-food-energy nexus**
- 4. Water can quench disputation to promote peace and harmony life**
- 5. Welcome to Join IACRR and make your contribution to the world**

1st IACRR World Congress in October 2020



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