



ISSN (E): 2277- 7695  
ISSN (P): 2349-8242  
NAAS Rating: 5.23  
TPI 2021; SP-10(8): 630-636  
© 2021 TPI  
[www.thepharmajournal.com](http://www.thepharmajournal.com)  
Received: 01-06-2021  
Accepted: 03-07-2021

**Ajay S Solanki**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Satishchandra M Jadhao**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Tejashree A Shirolkar**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Kiran S Ingale**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Samadhan P Kale**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Jaipal Yadav**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

**Corresponding Author**  
**Ajay S Solanki**  
Department of Soil Science and  
Agricultural Chemistry,  
Post Graduate Institute,  
Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi  
Vidyapeeth, Akola,  
Maharashtra, India

## Effect of ground water quality on soil characteristics in Pentakali command area of Buldhana district of Maharashtra

**Ajay S Solanki, Satishchandra M Jadhao, Tejashree A Shirolkar, Kiran S Ingale, Samadhan P Kale and Jaipal Yadav**

### Abstract

The present investigation entitled “Assessment of ground water quality in Pentakali command area of Buldhana district of Maharashtra” was undertaken during 2017-2019 in Department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry, Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola, Maharashtra. The objective of the investigation was to assess the effect of irrigation on soil properties in Pentakali command area of Buldhana district of Maharashtra the water samples from forty open wells were collected in three different season viz. pre monsoon (summer), monsoon (rainy) and post monsoon (winter). The ground water samples from forty open wells were collected from nine village's in Pentakalicommand area. This result showed that the impact of ground water on soil was noticeable in pre monsoon and monsoon season as compared to the post monsoon season, which is suitable for irrigation. Ground water should be analyzed in all three season for safe use.

**Keywords:** Pentakali command area, before irrigation, after irrigation, saturation paste, permissible limit, soluble sodium percentage

### Introduction

The water is the major source for irrigation in our country. The water quality reflects inputs from the atmosphere, soil, water-rock weathering and pollutant sources. It required for irrigation depends up on the dissolved salts like Na, Ca, Mg and  $\text{HCO}_3$  in water (CGWB, 2019) [1]. several approaches were used to assess the hydro-geochemical properties of groundwater and to determine its suitability for drinking and agriculture. Rashid *et al.*, 2021 [2] Anthropogenic activities and natural environmental variations are the two major driving forces of regional hydrology and changes to water body resources (Anapalli *et al.*, 2019) [3]. Global rate of hiking population and the rapid rate of industrialization as in the name of globalization have led to create excessive demand for valuable resources in available nature, which has subsequently resulted in several social and ecological constraints. These burning issues inevitably exacerbate the mankind impact on the climate change, particularly on resources of surface water and groundwater bodies (Feng *et al.*, 2020) [4]. However, such water influences crops yield. Ground water is a vital component of agriculture support system and its quality directly affects soils and crops and their management. High quality crop is possible only by using high-quality ground water. Characteristics of water can vary with its source. Regional differences in water characteristics will result from variation in geology and climate. The salts present in poor quality water affect the crop growth, yield and quality of produce by increasing the osmotic potential thereby reducing water availability and nutrient uptake. Deterioration in the quality of water used for irrigation is a matter of concern in recent years. Water is usually classified as hard water or soft water according to concentration of calcium and magnesium ions. Generally hard water makes land soft and soft water makes land hard. The chemical constituents of irrigation water can affect plant growth directly through toxicity or deficiency or indirectly by altering availability of nutrients (Ayers and Westcot, 1985; Rowe and Magid, 1995) [5, 6]. The chemical characteristics interact with each other and cause hazardous effect on soil properties and crop growth. Such as the EC, SAR, RSC are considered together in classifying the water.

The irrigated area in command area under the jurisdiction of Water Resources Department, GoM is 39.50 lakh ha in 2017-18 (Anonymous, 2019) [7]. In India 51 per cent of irrigation is by well out of the total irrigation potential where as in Maharashtra irrigation by well is about

56 percent and by canal is about 23 percent (Anonymous, 2010) [8]. Ground Water Quality CGWB is monitoring the ground water quality of the Buldhana district for the last four decades through its monitoring wells. However dugwells are the main ground water abstraction structures in the district. The yield of dugwells in Alluvium and in Basalt varies from 5 to 100 m<sup>3</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>. High yielding dugwells are generally located in weathered and fractured Vesicular Basalt occurring in physiographic depressions. The yield of borewells varies from 100 – 43850 lph, whereas that of tubewells varies from 100 – 64530 lph. (Anonymous, 2013) [9]

### Materials and Methods

The present laboratory investigation entitled “Assessment of Ground Water Quality in Pentakali Command Area of Buldhana District of Maharashtra” was taken with two objectives viz. to assess the quality ground of the ground water of Pentakali command area and to study the soil characteristics of command area. The ground water samples from forty open wells were collected from nine village’s viz. Pentakali, Pimpalgaon Unda, Naigaon Kh, Naigaon Bk, Sawangi Gawali, Mangrul Navghare, Savarkhed Bk, Dhumalwadi, Dongargaon in Pentakalicommand area. Irrigation water analysis was carried out at soil and water testing laboratory Department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry, Dr. PDKV., Akola during 2017-2019. Ground water quality and soil data were collected from open and dug wells. All samples were labeled properly, and according to the prerequisites for the water quality parameters like EC, pH, TDS, Ca and Mg were analyzed in the Pentakali dam command area. The sample was collected from four different locations of Buldhana region during pre monsoon, monsoon season and post monsoon season and soil sample during before and after irrigation were analyzed various parameters of water viz., pH<sub>s</sub>, EC<sub>e</sub>, Calcium (Ca<sup>2+</sup>), Magnesium (Mg<sup>2+</sup>), Sodium (Na<sup>+</sup>), Potassium (K<sup>+</sup>), Carbonate (CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>), Bicarbonate (HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>), Chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>), Sulphate (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>). The sample were analyzed by the standard method protocols. Buldhana is the western most district of Vidarbha. It lies between 19°51’ to 21°17’ north latitudes and 75°57’ to

76°59’ east longitudes and falls in survey of India Toposheets 55-A, 55-C, 55-D and 55-P. The district covers a total geographical area of 9670.00 sq.km.

### Results and Discussion

#### Soil characteristics of command area

##### Effect of ground water on pH<sub>s</sub> and EC<sub>e</sub> of soil

The saturation paste extract analysis of soil indicated that the pH<sub>s</sub> was in the range of 7.10 to 7.81 and 7.15 to 7.95 (Table 1) before and after irrigation due to high proportion of bicarbonate ions which dissociates more hydroxyl ions on dilution. Similar reasearch trend were also reported by Dubey *et al.* (1983) [10].

##### Electrical Conductivity (EC<sub>e</sub>) (dSm<sup>-1</sup>)

The electrical conductivity of saturation paste extract (EC<sub>e</sub>) was in the range of 0.48 to 0.87 before irrigation and 0.60 to 0.98 dSm<sup>-1</sup> after the irrigation (Table 1). The highest values of EC<sub>e</sub> may be due to the continuous use of salt affected water for irrigation. Similar results were also obtained by Bharambeet *et al.* (2001) [11] in Jayakwadi command area.

##### Cations

The data regarding cationic concentration in saturation paste extract is mentioned in Table 2, which reveals that the concentration of calcium content was 1.7 to 2.9 meL<sup>-1</sup> and 1.9 to 3.2 meL<sup>-1</sup> during before and after irrigation. The magnesium concentration was in the range of 1.4 to 2.7 meL<sup>-1</sup> before irrigation however it was 1.6 to 2.9 after the irrigation, in case of sodium content it ranges between 2.02 to 3.56 meL<sup>-1</sup> before application of irrigation and this expands from 2.16 to 3.73 after irrigation where as the potassium content was in the range of 0.34 to 0.69 meL<sup>-1</sup> and 0.47 to 0.89 during before and after irrigation. The dominance of Na<sup>+</sup> over Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup> and K<sup>+</sup> ions in the saturation extract of the salt affected soils was also reported by Kotur and Seshagiri (1987) [12] and More *et al.* (1988) [13]. Several authors have also reported the incidence of concentration of Nain the command areas (Jain *et al.* 2000) [14].

**Table 1:** Effect of ground water irrigation on soil pH<sub>s</sub> and EC<sub>e</sub>(dSm<sup>-1</sup>)

Particulars	pH <sub>s</sub>		EC <sub>e</sub>	
	Before irrigation (Summer)	After irrigation (Winter)	Before irrigation (Summer)	After irrigation (Winter)
S <sub>1</sub>	7.46	7.58	0.54	0.62
S <sub>2</sub>	7.66	7.74	0.61	0.75
S <sub>3</sub>	7.34	7.49	0.54	0.63
S <sub>4</sub>	7.41	7.52	0.70	0.82
S <sub>5</sub>	7.58	7.74	0.87	0.98
S <sub>6</sub>	7.22	7.34	0.72	0.86
S <sub>7</sub>	7.51	7.64	0.69	0.83
S <sub>8</sub>	7.63	7.75	0.78	0.89
S <sub>9</sub>	7.17	7.30	0.84	0.96
S <sub>10</sub>	7.49	7.65	0.72	0.87
S <sub>11</sub>	7.11	7.20	0.80	0.94
S <sub>12</sub>	7.12	7.15	0.84	0.93
S <sub>13</sub>	7.67	7.79	0.71	0.84
S <sub>14</sub>	7.63	7.75	0.87	0.96
S <sub>15</sub>	7.65	7.77	0.73	0.86
S <sub>16</sub>	7.22	7.34	0.80	0.92
S <sub>17</sub>	7.44	7.58	0.58	0.80
S <sub>18</sub>	7.49	7.60	0.84	0.89
S <sub>19</sub>	7.78	7.90	0.48	0.60
S <sub>20</sub>	7.19	7.31	0.86	0.95
S <sub>21</sub>	7.36	7.44	0.78	0.96

S <sub>22</sub>	7.34	7.48	0.78	0.92
S <sub>23</sub>	7.51	7.63	0.75	0.83
S <sub>24</sub>	7.61	7.75	0.68	0.76
S <sub>25</sub>	7.72	7.80	0.75	0.92
S <sub>26</sub>	7.24	7.36	0.72	0.85
S <sub>27</sub>	7.78	7.92	0.68	0.82
S <sub>28</sub>	7.81	7.95	0.55	0.70
S <sub>29</sub>	7.70	7.83	0.78	0.88
S <sub>30</sub>	7.56	7.68	0.62	0.72
S <sub>31</sub>	7.64	7.72	0.71	0.82
S <sub>32</sub>	7.75	7.84	0.68	0.87
S <sub>33</sub>	7.52	7.67	0.81	0.90
S <sub>34</sub>	7.64	7.78	0.82	0.96
S <sub>35</sub>	7.74	7.88	0.56	0.72
S <sub>36</sub>	7.60	7.76	0.67	0.89
S <sub>37</sub>	7.32	7.45	0.71	0.88
S <sub>38</sub>	7.51	7.62	0.65	0.86
S <sub>39</sub>	7.10	7.22	0.67	0.78
S <sub>40</sub>	7.58	7.72	0.62	0.74
Mean	7.49	7.61	0.71	0.84
Range	7.10 - 7.81	7.15 - 7.95	0.48 - 0.87	0.60 - 0.98

**Table 2:** Effect of ground water irrigation on Cationic concentration of soil

Particular	Soluble cations (meL <sup>-1</sup> )							
	Ca <sup>2+</sup>		Mg <sup>2+</sup>		Na <sup>+</sup>		K <sup>+</sup>	
	BI	AI	BI	AI	BI	AI	BI	AI
S <sub>1</sub>	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.6	2.34	2.76	0.60	0.75
S <sub>2</sub>	2.1	2.4	1.8	2.3	2.24	2.65	0.67	0.89
S <sub>3</sub>	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.7	2.45	2.76	0.60	0.72
S <sub>4</sub>	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.3	2.42	2.82	0.59	0.85
S <sub>5</sub>	2.9	3.2	2.5	2.7	3.38	3.72	0.45	0.52
S <sub>6</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.3	2.5	2.28	2.96	0.58	0.75
S <sub>7</sub>	2.6	2.8	2.3	2.6	2.52	2.64	0.36	0.69
S <sub>8</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.76	3.06	0.59	0.80
S <sub>9</sub>	2.8	3.0	2.6	2.9	3.15	3.55	0.47	0.56
S <sub>10</sub>	2.6	2.8	2.3	2.5	2.85	3.22	0.47	0.62
S <sub>11</sub>	2.8	3.1	2.5	2.7	2.86	3.46	0.38	0.82
S <sub>12</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.6	2.8	2.96	3.27	0.55	0.86
S <sub>13</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.3	2.5	2.82	3.16	0.36	0.68
S <sub>14</sub>	2.9	3.0	2.5	2.6	3.17	3.34	0.49	0.74
S <sub>15</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.7	2.78	3.28	0.60	0.65
S <sub>16</sub>	2.6	2.9	2.5	2.8	2.86	3.34	0.64	0.75
S <sub>17</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.3	2.6	2.45	2.86	0.37	0.56
S <sub>18</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.7	3.09	3.35	0.59	0.68
S <sub>19</sub>	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.3	2.02	2.16	0.40	0.47
S <sub>20</sub>	2.9	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.92	3.35	0.48	0.6
S <sub>21</sub>	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.9	3.14	3.48	0.59	0.64
S <sub>22</sub>	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.6	3.56	3.73	0.50	0.59
S <sub>23</sub>	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.68	2.84	0.56	0.67
S <sub>24</sub>	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.32	2.64	0.50	0.60
S <sub>25</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.6	3.35	3.58	0.37	0.53
S <sub>26</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.59	2.91	0.40	0.49
S <sub>27</sub>	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.85	3.26	0.48	0.56
S <sub>28</sub>	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.55	2.92	0.38	0.57
S <sub>29</sub>	2.6	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.78	3.15	0.60	0.70
S <sub>30</sub>	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.3	2.47	2.64	0.39	0.48
S <sub>31</sub>	2.5	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.72	2.96	0.45	0.55
S <sub>32</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.3	2.6	2.86	3.22	0.43	0.57
S <sub>33</sub>	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.8	2.91	3.14	0.34	0.50
S <sub>34</sub>	2.6	3.0	2.5	2.9	2.86	3.25	0.69	0.89
S <sub>35</sub>	2.4	2.5	2.1	2.3	2.57	2.86	0.40	0.50
S <sub>36</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.4	2.6	3.18	3.35	0.46	0.66
S <sub>37</sub>	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.7	3.35	3.46	0.45	0.60
S <sub>38</sub>	2.6	2.8	2.3	2.7	2.62	2.86	0.60	0.67
S <sub>39</sub>	2.4	2.6	2.2	2.3	2.71	2.96	0.36	0.48
S <sub>40</sub>	2.6	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.24	2.65	0.39	0.50
Mean	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.76	3.08	0.48	0.64

Range	1.7-2.9	1.9-3.2	1.4-2.7	1.6-2.9	2.02-3.56	2.16-3.73	0.34-0.69	0.47-0.89
-------	---------	---------	---------	---------	-----------	-----------	-----------	-----------

BI = Before irrigation, AI = After irrigation

**Table 3:** Effect of ground water irrigation on Anionic concentration of soil

Particulars	Soluble anions (meL <sup>-1</sup> )					
	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		Cl <sup>-</sup>		SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	
	BI	AI	BI	AI	BI	AI
S <sub>1</sub>	2.5	2.7	1.6	2.4	2.24	2.55
S <sub>2</sub>	3.0	3.3	1.9	1.6	2.82	3.12
S <sub>3</sub>	2.7	2.9	1.7	1.4	2.56	2.86
S <sub>4</sub>	3.2	3.4	2.1	1.8	3.02	3.34
S <sub>5</sub>	3.8	3.9	2.7	2.6	2.52	3.65
S <sub>6</sub>	3.1	3.4	2.5	2.3	3.12	3.24
S <sub>7</sub>	3.3	3.5	1.9	1.7	2.25	3.35
S <sub>8</sub>	3.3	3.6	2.6	2.2	3.24	3.46
S <sub>9</sub>	3.6	3.8	2.5	2.3	3.48	3.62
S <sub>10</sub>	3.4	3.6	2.7	2.5	3.24	3.52
S <sub>11</sub>	3.5	3.7	2.7	2.4	3.32	3.45
S <sub>12</sub>	3.5	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.27	3.68
S <sub>13</sub>	3.2	3.4	2.3	2.0	2.92	3.22
S <sub>14</sub>	3.5	3.8	2.7	2.4	3.65	3.73
S <sub>15</sub>	3.2	3.5	2.4	2.2	3.06	3.24
S <sub>16</sub>	3.5	3.7	2.5	2.2	3.42	3.67
S <sub>17</sub>	3.0	3.4	2.6	2.2	2.74	3.14
S <sub>18</sub>	3.3	3.5	2.7	2.5	2.85	3.25
S <sub>19</sub>	2.7	3.1	1.9	1.5	2.46	2.94
S <sub>20</sub>	3.4	3.7	2.9	2.4	3.17	3.55
S <sub>21</sub>	3.3	3.7	2.9	2.5	3.03	3.32
S <sub>22</sub>	3.3	3.5	2.7	2.4	2.86	3.18
S <sub>23</sub>	3.0	3.3	2.5	2.3	2.76	3.12
S <sub>24</sub>	2.7	3.1	2.3	2.0	2.65	2.85
S <sub>25</sub>	3.3	3.6	2.8	2.5	3.17	3.42
S <sub>26</sub>	3.1	3.3	2.6	2.2	2.82	3.09
S <sub>27</sub>	2.8	3.2	2.7	2.4	2.75	2.92
S <sub>28</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.1	2.0	2.32	2.64
S <sub>29</sub>	3.1	3.4	2.5	2.3	3.04	3.25
S <sub>30</sub>	2.5	2.8	2.2	2.0	2.25	2.64
S <sub>31</sub>	3.2	3.4	2.6	2.4	2.96	3.22
S <sub>32</sub>	2.9	3.3	2.7	2.4	2.76	3.14
S <sub>33</sub>	3.2	3.5	2.8	2.4	2.86	3.36
S <sub>34</sub>	3.5	3.8	2.7	2.5	3.35	3.42
S <sub>35</sub>	2.9	3.1	2.1	1.7	2.52	2.85
S <sub>36</sub>	3.0	3.3	2.7	2.5	2.75	3.24
S <sub>37</sub>	3.2	3.6	2.7	2.3	3.16	3.48
S <sub>38</sub>	3.1	3.4	2.6	2.3	2.78	3.03
S <sub>39</sub>	2.8	3.1	2.4	2.2	2.65	2.92
S <sub>40</sub>	2.7	2.9	2.3	2.0	2.45	2.72
Mean	3.1	3.3	2.4	2.2	2.8	3.2
Range	2.5-3.8	2.7-3.9	1.6-2.9	1.4-2.6	2.24-3.65	2.55-3.73

BI = Before irrigation, AI = After irrigation

### Anions

The data presented in Table 3, reveals that among the anions bicarbonate content was in the range of 2.5 to 3.8 meL<sup>-1</sup> and 2.7 to 3.9 before and after the irrigation. Chloride concentration of soil was in the range of 1.4 to 2.6 meL<sup>-1</sup> and 1.6 to 2.9 before and after irrigation which might be due to the increasing electrical conductivity of ground water. Sulphate concentration of soil was in the range of 2.24 to 3.65 and 2.55 to 3.73 before and after the irrigation. Kharde (1992) <sup>[15]</sup> indicated similar results that the anionic concentration that the bicarbonate ions in saturation paste extract dominated over other anions and showed the average abundance of anions in the order of HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> > SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> > Cl<sup>-</sup>.

### Nutrient potential of soil

Nitrogen concentration of soil was in the range of 100.32 to 175.2 and 105.2 to 178.98 before and after the irrigation. The available nitrogen content was low in major portion of the study area because of low organic matter content in these soils. The variation in N content may be related to soil management, application of organic manures and fertilizers to previous crops. The similar observations were recorded by Dhage *et al.* (2000) <sup>[16]</sup>. Phosphorus concentration of soil was in the range of 14.47 to 27.1 and 19.15 to 29.87 during before and after irrigation. Low status of available P in soils of studied area might be due to alkaline soil reaction and high content of CaCO<sub>3</sub> in the soil. At the higher pH calcium can precipitate with P as Ca phosphate and reduce phosphorus availability. Similar results were also reported by Kumar *et al.* (2015) <sup>[17]</sup>.

**Table 4:** Effect of ground water irrigation on nutrient potential of soil (kg ha<sup>-1</sup>)

Particulars	N		P	
	BI	AI	BI	AI
S <sub>1</sub>	175.20	178.24	24.75	28.50
S <sub>2</sub>	150.52	154.27	21.24	23.24
S <sub>3</sub>	125.44	129.34	19.60	22.50
S <sub>4</sub>	163.72	165.34	16.23	21.33
S <sub>5</sub>	150.52	153.58	16.90	20.10
S <sub>6</sub>	137.98	142.31	17.20	24.50
S <sub>7</sub>	125.44	129.34	18.76	23.46
S <sub>8</sub>	137.98	145.98	16.33	20.12
S <sub>9</sub>	125.44	128.19	22.23	26.28
S <sub>10</sub>	137.44	139.17	21.33	24.86
S <sub>11</sub>	125.84	128.34	15.18	21.18
S <sub>12</sub>	163.72	166.19	24.68	28.41
S <sub>13</sub>	150.28	155.60	24.41	25.61
S <sub>14</sub>	100.32	105.20	20.30	24.18
S <sub>15</sub>	163.72	168.27	22.18	27.10
S <sub>16</sub>	112.89	115.23	21.23	26.87
S <sub>17</sub>	150.51	154.27	19.24	23.21
S <sub>18</sub>	163.87	166.98	19.11	25.13
S <sub>19</sub>	112.89	115.80	17.35	23.18
S <sub>20</sub>	150.51	154.23	18.36	22.21
S <sub>21</sub>	112.19	116.28	17.15	24.12
S <sub>22</sub>	125.67	129.57	20.40	24.27
S <sub>23</sub>	163.18	165.28	14.47	19.15
S <sub>24</sub>	150.21	154.17	23.50	26.60
S <sub>25</sub>	125.37	128.64	25.20	28.21
S <sub>26</sub>	163.19	165.80	25.23	28.12
S <sub>27</sub>	175.10	178.98	26.08	27.06
S <sub>28</sub>	173.21	178.70	23.74	27.05
S <sub>29</sub>	137.80	140.20	27.10	29.87
S <sub>30</sub>	112.18	115.18	23.54	25.17
S <sub>31</sub>	137.19	142.50	21.64	26.37
S <sub>32</sub>	150.21	155.60	21.23	24.68
S <sub>33</sub>	135.19	138.21	19.69	23.19
S <sub>34</sub>	152.18	155.12	18.46	22.27
S <sub>35</sub>	131.24	135.54	17.18	24.67
S <sub>36</sub>	137.50	141.40	21.65	25.19
S <sub>37</sub>	125.80	129.53	22.10	27.18
S <sub>38</sub>	125.85	128.41	18.51	22.67
S <sub>39</sub>	112.86	116.58	20.40	24.80
S <sub>40</sub>	150.28	154.20	18.81	25.27
Mean	137.03	140.85	21.08	25.26
Range	100.32 - 175.2	105.2 - 178.98	14.47 - 27.1	19.15 - 29.87

BI = Before irrigation, AI = After irrigation

**Micronutrient Potential in soil****Table 5:** Effect of ground water irrigation on micronutrient Potential in soil

Particulars	Micronutrient content in soil (mg kg <sup>-1</sup> )							
	Fe		Mn		Zn		Cu	
	BI	AI	BI	AI	BI	AI	BI	AI
S <sub>1</sub>	4.60	4.80	3.26	3.51	0.25	0.34	2.20	2.42
S <sub>2</sub>	5.34	5.85	2.36	2.50	0.76	0.84	1.89	2.10
S <sub>3</sub>	3.89	4.00	3.21	3.37	0.63	0.62	2.99	2.18
S <sub>4</sub>	3.94	4.18	4.16	4.30	0.32	0.44	1.35	1.55
S <sub>5</sub>	5.65	6.10	4.36	4.55	0.49	0.58	2.06	2.36
S <sub>6</sub>	3.43	3.87	1.84	2.12	0.36	0.48	1.23	1.34
S <sub>7</sub>	3.46	3.80	4.24	4.80	0.32	0.41	1.24	1.45
S <sub>8</sub>	2.97	3.20	2.98	3.10	0.21	0.35	2.92	3.12
S <sub>9</sub>	5.18	5.40	3.12	3.80	0.24	0.38	1.38	1.53
S <sub>10</sub>	2.56	2.87	4.32	4.70	0.53	0.62	1.87	1.98
S <sub>11</sub>	3.28	3.58	3.62	4.10	0.63	0.74	1.92	2.10
S <sub>12</sub>	5.96	6.20	2.99	3.30	0.61	0.71	1.32	1.41
S <sub>13</sub>	3.87	4.12	4.47	4.97	0.55	0.63	1.63	1.82
S <sub>14</sub>	4.45	4.97	3.25	3.53	0.43	0.55	1.28	1.50

S <sub>15</sub>	2.29	2.85	3.98	4.30	0.24	0.36	1.82	2.10
S <sub>16</sub>	3.19	3.39	3.89	4.12	0.54	0.64	2.76	2.98
S <sub>17</sub>	5.62	5.92	4.20	4.53	0.74	0.86	2.16	2.24
S <sub>18</sub>	4.29	4.65	2.24	2.34	0.63	0.78	2.45	2.75
S <sub>19</sub>	3.28	3.57	3.36	3.51	0.73	0.87	2.36	2.48
S <sub>20</sub>	5.42	5.79	3.68	3.70	0.79	0.92	1.75	2.01
S <sub>21</sub>	2.78	3.10	4.36	4.80	0.34	0.47	3.12	3.30
S <sub>22</sub>	2.12	2.40	2.34	2.87	0.38	0.49	2.53	2.80
S <sub>23</sub>	2.18	2.28	3.84	4.10	0.88	0.98	2.45	2.63
S <sub>24</sub>	3.23	3.58	3.18	3.50	0.23	0.34	3.11	3.42
S <sub>25</sub>	5.89	5.98	2.21	2.60	0.49	0.57	2.23	2.53
S <sub>26</sub>	4.42	4.8	3.23	3.58	0.36	0.49	1.36	1.65
S <sub>27</sub>	3.69	3.92	4.21	4.78	0.53	0.65	1.98	2.25
S <sub>28</sub>	4.39	4.75	2.98	3.31	0.88	0.95	1.73	1.85
S <sub>29</sub>	2.74	2.95	2.94	3.20	0.32	0.45	1.87	1.98
S <sub>30</sub>	3.96	4.13	3.84	4.12	0.34	0.42	1.56	1.87
S <sub>31</sub>	5.39	5.65	2.61	3.08	0.24	0.32	1.63	1.95
S <sub>32</sub>	3.67	3.85	2.45	2.85	0.65	0.73	1.35	1.55
S <sub>33</sub>	2.94	3.25	4.12	4.60	0.63	0.75	1.72	1.93
S <sub>34</sub>	4.47	4.65	3.13	3.42	0.24	0.35	2.33	2.63
S <sub>35</sub>	4.75	4.98	3.27	3.65	0.49	0.63	3.13	3.47
S <sub>36</sub>	3.78	3.95	1.56	1.87	0.38	0.51	2.16	2.40
S <sub>37</sub>	2.53	2.87	1.82	2.25	0.67	0.79	2.45	2.62
S <sub>38</sub>	4.36	4.68	2.16	2.69	0.21	0.31	3.10	3.42
S <sub>39</sub>	5.29	5.60	4.12	4.85	0.61	0.75	2.68	2.85
S <sub>40</sub>	2.94	3.25	3.36	3.70	0.24	0.36	2.23	2.58
Mean	3.95	4.24	3.27	3.62	0.47	0.58	2.08	2.28
Range	2.12 - 5.96	2.28 - 6.20	1.56- 4.47	1.87 - 4.97	0.21 -0.88	0.31 -0.98	1.23 - 3.13	1.34 - 3.47

BI= Before irrigation AI= After irrigation

Iron concentration of soil was in the range of 2.12 to 5.96 and 2.28 to 6.20 before and after the irrigation respectively. Islam and Shamsad (2009) <sup>[18]</sup> studied the Iron (Fe) content of irrigation water samples of the command area which was varied from 0.00 to 0.112 meL<sup>-1</sup> with an average value of 0.013 meL<sup>-1</sup>.

Manganese concentration of soil was in the range of 1.56 to 4.47 and 1.87 to 4.97 before and after the irrigation respectively.

Zinc concentration of soil was in the range of 0.21 to 0.88 and 0.31 to 0.98 before and after the irrigation respectively.

Copper concentration of soil was in the range of 1.23 to 3.13 and 1.34 to 3.47 before and after the irrigation respectively. Srinivasarao *et al.* (2012) <sup>[19]</sup> also reported the 120 g ha<sup>-1</sup> contribution of copper through irrigation water in ICRISAT watershed Pantcheru, Hyderabad.

## Conclusion

As impact of ground water on soil, pH<sub>s</sub> varied from 7.10 to 7.81 and 7.15 to 7.95 during before and after irrigation respectively. Whereas EC<sub>e</sub> 0.48 to 0.87 dSm<sup>-1</sup> and 0.60 to 0.98 dSm<sup>-1</sup> during before and after irrigation respectively. While among the cations the concentration of sodium is dominated among all the cations in between 2.02 to 3.56 meL<sup>-1</sup> and 2.16 to 3.73 during before and after irrigation season respectively, where as Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> dominant after sodium during before and after irrigation season. The concentration of K<sup>+</sup> very less during two season and among the anion HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> was dominant during after irrigation as compared to before irrigation. In the context of serious soil health decline, imbalanced use of fertilizers, multinutrient deficiency in soils, higher costs of chemical fertilizers, scarcity of organics etc. which necessitate exploration of possibility of utilizing various nutrient sources and ensuring balanced nutrient supply to the crops, the nutrient addition through irrigation needs to be taken into account. The quality of irrigation water

also affects the physical properties of soil up to certain extent which needs to be study.

## Application of Research

To know effect of ground water quality on soil characteristics.  
To know effect of ground water on nutrient potential of soil.

## Research Category

Ground Water Quality, Soil Characteristics

## Abbreviations

ICRISAT, BI, AI, EC, TDS, SAR, RSC

## Acknowledgement

Authors are thankful to head of department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry, Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola

\*\*Principal Investigator or Research Guide or Chairperson of research: Ajay S. Solanki,  
University: Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola - 444 104, Maharashtra.

## Author Contributions

All authors equally contributed

## Author statement

All authors read, reviewed, agreed and approved the final manuscript.

## Study Area/Sample Collection

Pentakali Command area of Buldhana district of Maharashtra  
Cultivar/Variety/Breed name: Nil

## Conflict of Interest

None declared

**Ethical approval**

This article does not contain any studies with human participants or animals performed by any of the authors.

**Ethical Committee Approval Number**

Nil

**References**

1. CGWB. Central Ground Water Board Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti Government of India, Aquifer Maps and Ground Water Management Plan of Buldhana District, Maharashtra 2019.
2. Rashid A, Ayub M, Javed A, Khan S, Gao X, Li C *et al.* Potentially harmful metals, and health risk evaluation in groundwater of Mardan, Pakistan: Application of geostatistical approach and geographic information system. *Geoscience Frontier* 2021;12:101-128.
3. Anapalli SS, Fisher DK, Reddy KN, Rajan N, Pinnamaneni SR. Modeling evapotranspiration for irrigation water management in a humid climate. *Agricultural Water Management* 2019;12:105-111.
4. Feng W, Qian H, Xu P, Hou K. Hydrochemical characteristic of groundwater and its impact on crop yields in the Baojixia irrigation area, China. *Water* 2020;12(5):1443.
5. Ayers RS, Westcot DW. Water quality for agriculture FAO irrigation and drain. Paper No 1985;29(1):1-109.
6. Rowe DR, Magid IMA. Handbook of Wastewater Reclamation and Reuse. CRC Press, Inc 1995,550p.
7. Anonymous. Economic survey of Maharashtra 2018-19. Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Planning Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai 2019.
8. Anonymous. Reassessment of irrigation water quality criteria and Standard. *Current Agriculture Research Journal* 2010;21:109-114.
9. Anonymous. Ground water information Buldhana district Maharashtra 2013, 1796/dbr/2013.
10. Dubey DD, Sharma OP, Khan SM. Release of Non-exchangeable Sodium from Saline Water Irrigated Vertic Ustochrepts. *Journal of the Indian Society of Soil Science* 1985;33(2):297-303.
11. Bharambe PR, Shinde SD, Rodge RP, Jadhav GS, Shelke DK. Water-table fluctuation, quality of ground water and soil heat in Jayakwadi command. *Journal of the Indian Sociey Soil Science* 2001;49:190-192.
12. Kotur SC, Rao TS. Quantity/intensity and quantity/potential studies in Na–Ca exchange system in some salt affected soils. *Journal of Soil Science* 1987;39(2):199-207.
13. More SD, Shinde JS, Malewar GU. Characterization of some salt-affected soils of Purna command area of Maharashtra. *Journal of the Indian Society of Soil Science* 1988;36(1):146-150.
14. Jain CK, Bhatla KKS, Kumar CP, Purandara BK. Irrigation water quality in Malaprabha sub-basin, Karnataka. *Indian Journal of the Environment* 2000;21(4):348-354.
15. Kharde BB. Characterization of well waters of Nevasatahsil, district Ahmednagar. M.Sc. (Agri.) Thesis submitted to M.P.K.V., Rahuri (M.S.) 1992.
16. Dhage AR, Mane SR, Adsule RN. Available micronutrients in the soils of Shevgaon tehsil (Ahmednagar Dist.) in relation to soil characteristics. *Journal of Maharashtra Agriculture University* 2000;25(1):97-98.
17. Kumar A, Mishra VN, Srivastava LK. Evaluation of soil fertility status of available N, P and K in Inseptisol of Raipur district of Chhattisgarh. *International Journal of Interdisciplinary and Multidisciplinary Studies (IJIMS)* 2015;2(6):98-104.
18. Islam MS, Shamsad SZKM. Assessment of irrigation water quality of Bogra district in Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Journal of Agricultural Research* 2009;34(4):507-608.
19. Srinivasa Rao C, Wani SP, Sahrawat KL, Jakkula VS, Kundu S, Rajashekar Rao BK *et al.* Contribution of Nutrients through Critical Irrigation from Diverse Water Sources in Selected Watersheds of Semi-arid Tropical India. *Indian Journal of Dryland Agriculture Research and Development* 2012;27(1):58-69.