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Topic: Optimization model for integrated operation of multipurpose reservoir in Narmada Basin

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Introduction

- An Optimization model has been custom-developed by M/s Vassar Labs, Hyderabad jointly with M/s Alluvium, Australia to meet the requirements of Narmada Control Authority for integrated reservoir operation and water accounting within the Narmada Basin in accordance with the NWDT Award (NIROWA Model).
- A Linear Programming method has been used to determine the best way to operate the multi-purpose multi-reservoir system for 14 major reservoirs in the Narmada River basin.
- The Optimization technique finds the best solution from a number of possible alternatives for the given scenarios.
- Three different water years, based on the river flow, have been considered, i.e. drought year. Normal year and wet year.

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Study Area

- The study area selected for the present work; the Indira Sagar project is located in the middle Narmada sub basin on the narrow gorge near village Punasa.
- The **Indira Sagar Reservoir** is the largest reservoir in India with 12,200 MCM gross storage capacity.

Reservoir Features:

- Catchment area up to the dam site = 61,642 km²
- Full reservoir level = 262.13m
- Maximum drawdown level = 243.23m
- Hydropower capacity = 1000MW (8X125MW)
- Ultimate Irrigation potential = 1.69 lakh ha.



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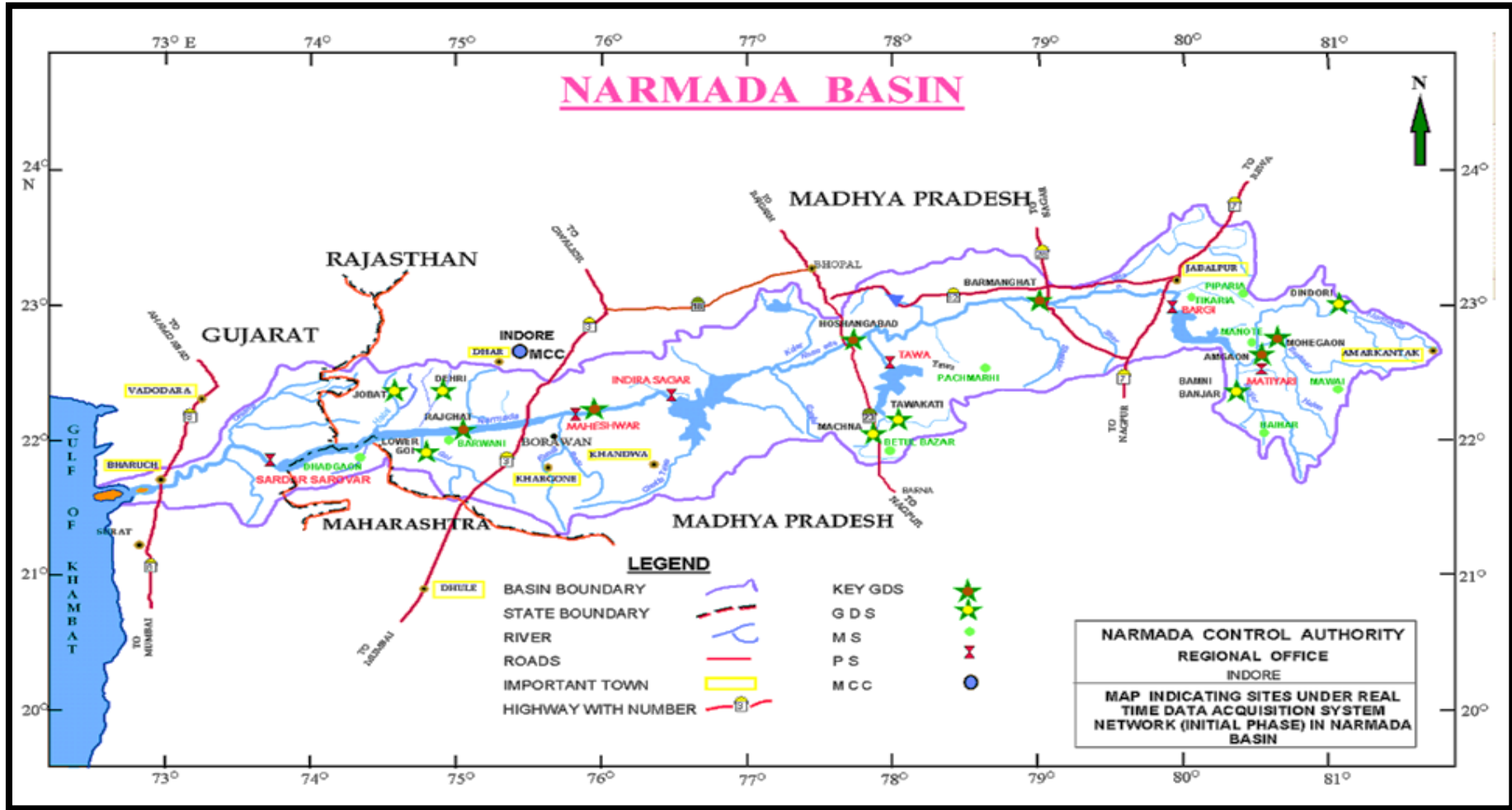
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Objective Functions

The linear programming (LP) technique is applied to improve the reservoir performance and to find the optimal way of operating the reservoir by considering the operational constraints.

The goals of optimization include:

1. Minimize the Domestic water supply/irrigation/industrial water supply **deficits**.
2. Minimize the environmental deficits.
3. Minimize gaps in meeting targeted hydro-power generation.

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Variables and Constraints

- **Decision Variables:**

Optimized releases for-

- Irrigation
- Domestic Water
- Industrial water
- Hydropower
- Environmental

- **Constraints:**

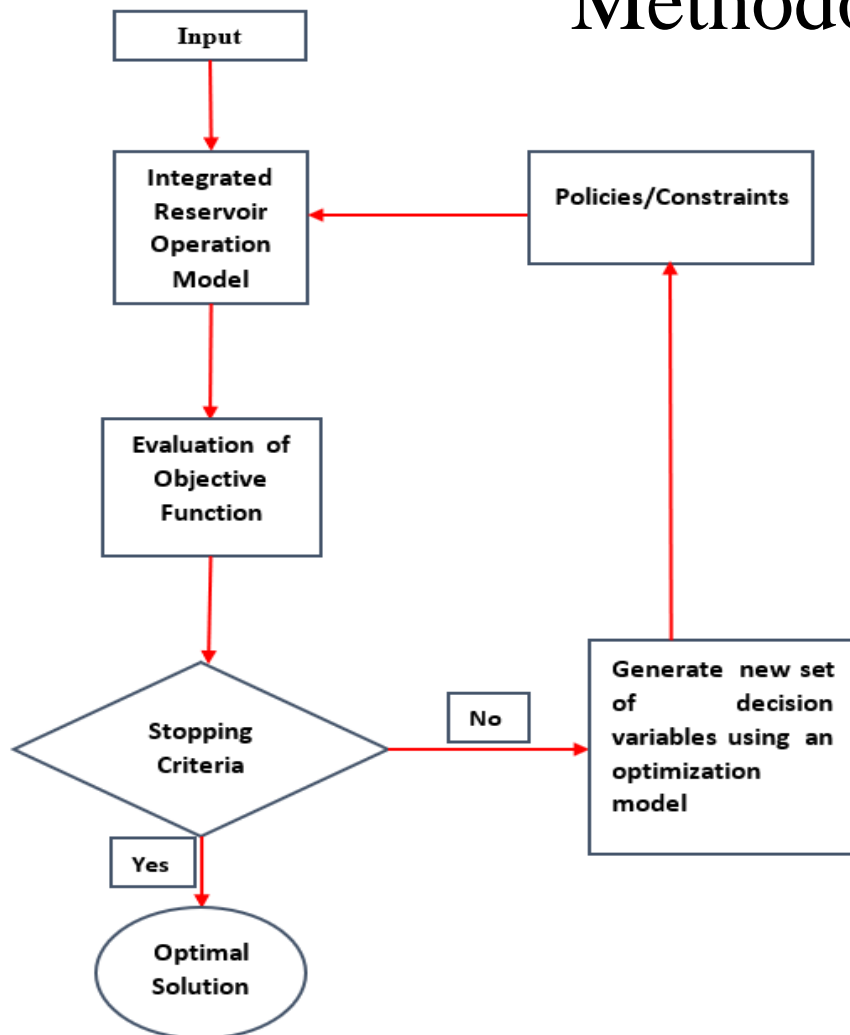
- Mass balance constraint
- Dead storage constraint (Storage of the reservoir \geq actual dead storage)
- NWDT sharing rule (irrigation \leq state percentage * (total inflows + initial live storages))
- Return flow constraints
- Environmental demand (supply \geq demand)
- Irrigation demand constraints (supply \leq ultimate demand)



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Methodology



Input Data

- Elevation Area Capacity Table
- Inflows
- Precipitation
- Percolation
- Evaporation
- Demands
- Initial water level
- Target storage level



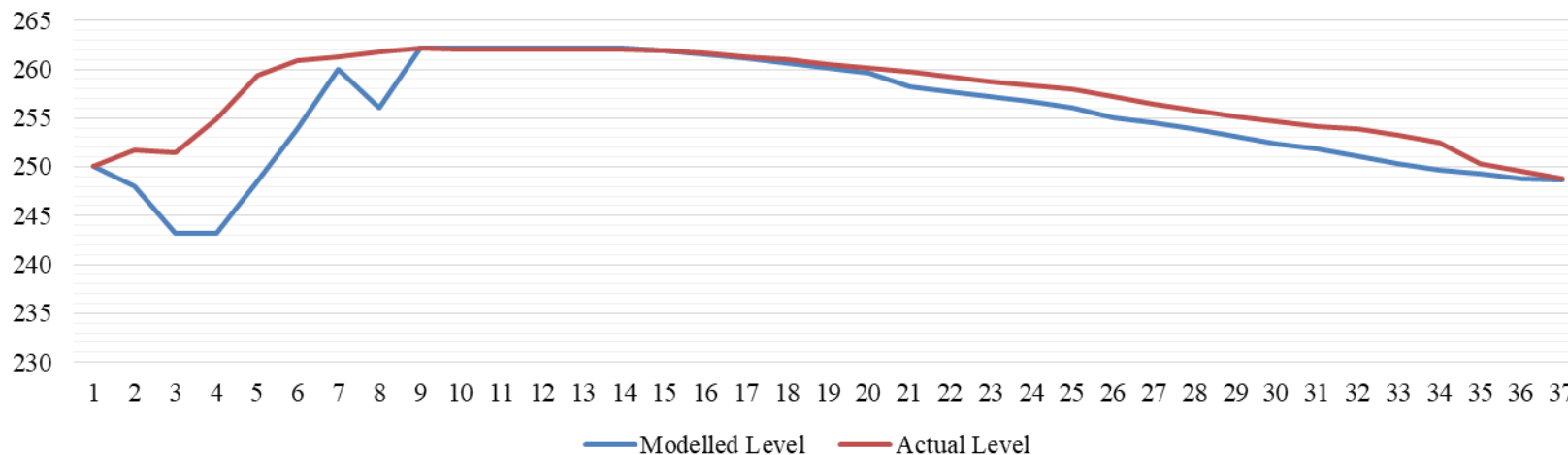
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Wet Year



Year	Inflows (Mm ³)	Actual spillage (Mm ³)	Model spillage (Mm ³)	Actual hydropower (Mm ³)	Model hydropower (Mm ³)	Actual irrigation (Mm ³)	Model irrigation (Mm ³)
Wet	48644	24189	18613	22201	28006	1114	1653

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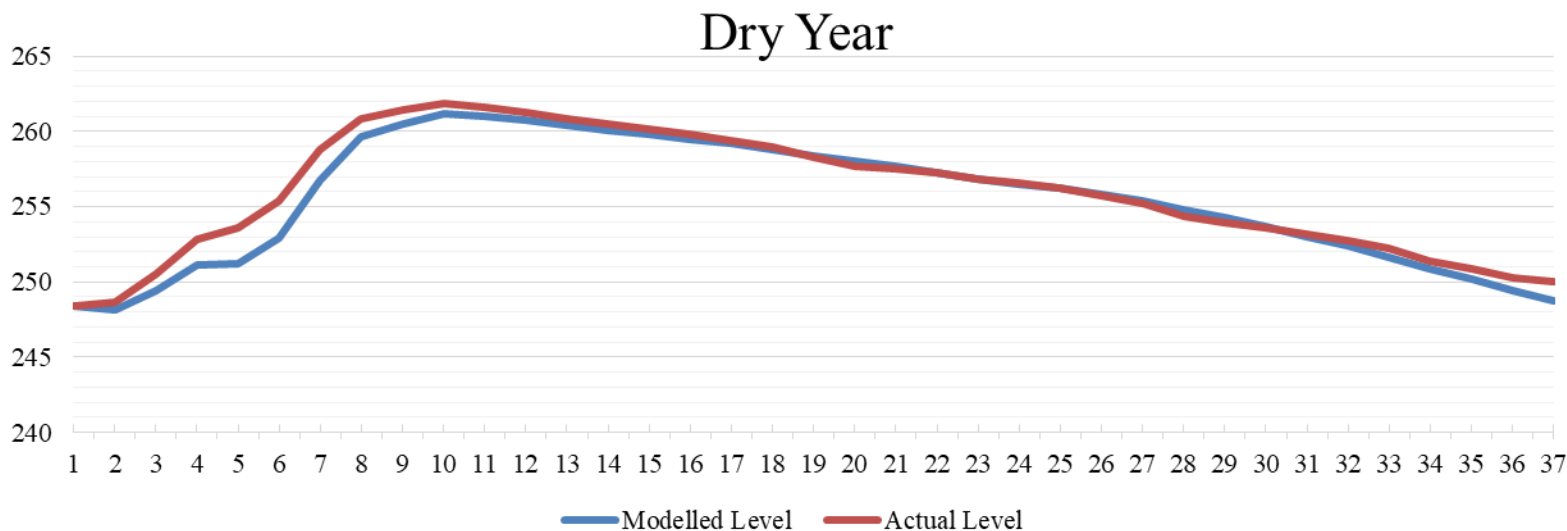
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Result



Year	Inflows (Mm ³)	Actual spillage (Mm ³)	Model spillage (Mm ³)	Actual hydropower (Mm ³)	Model hydropower (Mm ³)	Actual irrigation (Mm ³)	Model irrigation (Mm ³)
Dry	12410	0	0	9255	9421	945	1653

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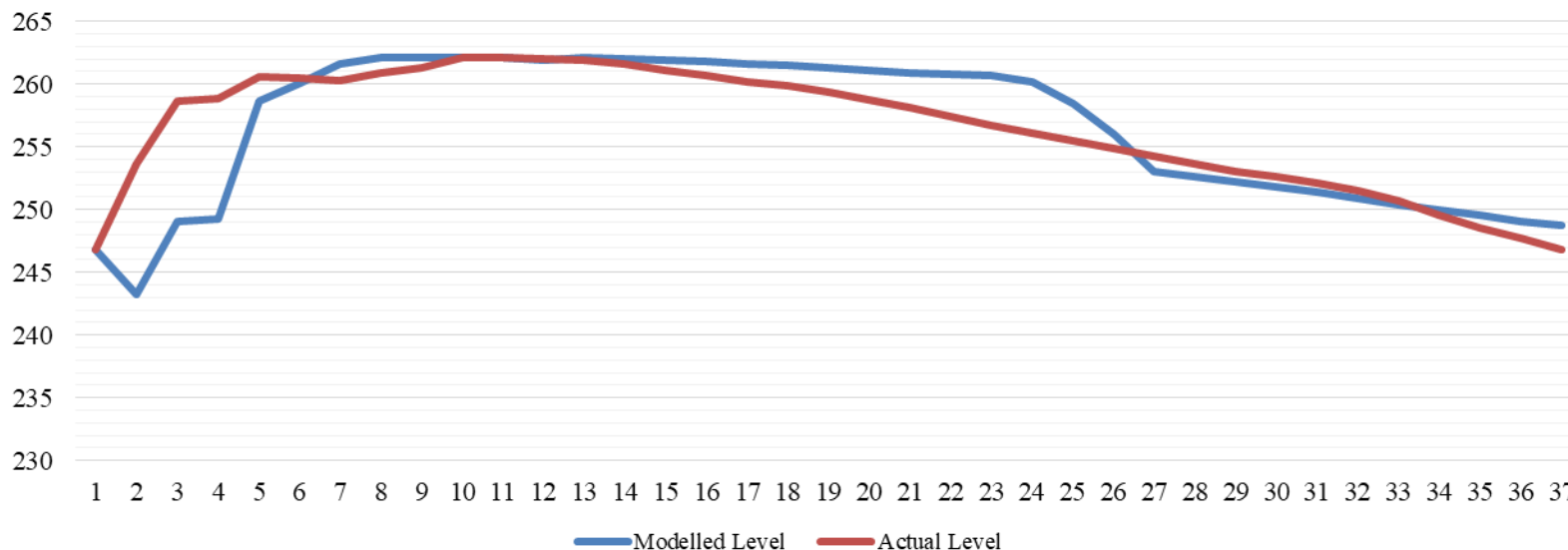
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Normal Year



Year	Inflows (Mm ³)	Actual spillage (Mm ³)	Model spillage (Mm ³)	Actual hydropower (Mm ³)	Model hydropower (Mm ³)	Actual irrigation (Mm ³)	Model irrigation (Mm ³)
Normal	31229	6274	3504	23377	24318	661	1653

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Conclusions

- The results derived from the model allow the decision makers to consider the proposed optimal solutions.
- The model was set to suggest the optimal operative policy.
- The model suggests depleting the reservoir level by releasing for hydropower in initial time steps so that the anticipated inflow in the next time step should be absorbed and the unnecessary spillage can be minimized.

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A large background image showing a dam structure in the distance, a statue of a person standing on a pedestal in the foreground, and a river flowing through a valley. The scene is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue and green gradient.

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