

# **ESTIMATION OF FLOW FOR UNGAUGED WATERSHEDS IN PRANHITA OF GODAVARI RIVER BASIN IN INDIA USING SWAT**

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# Introduction

The current study focuses on developing a model in SWAT that uses measured spatially and temporally varying inputs. It demonstrates that the comprehensiveness in the model's interrelationship after calibration at gauged locations, combined with incorporating the spatio-temporal heterogeneity of climate and landscape properties in a basin, can be used to predict flow at watershed scale ungauged locations.

The finding of the study shows that, given appropriate spatial and temporal input, SWAT can provide a satisfactory simulation of the water budget at ungauged sites, when calibrated at a basin scale.

# Presentation Outline

Study Area : Pranhita River Basin

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- ❖ Weather

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# Study area

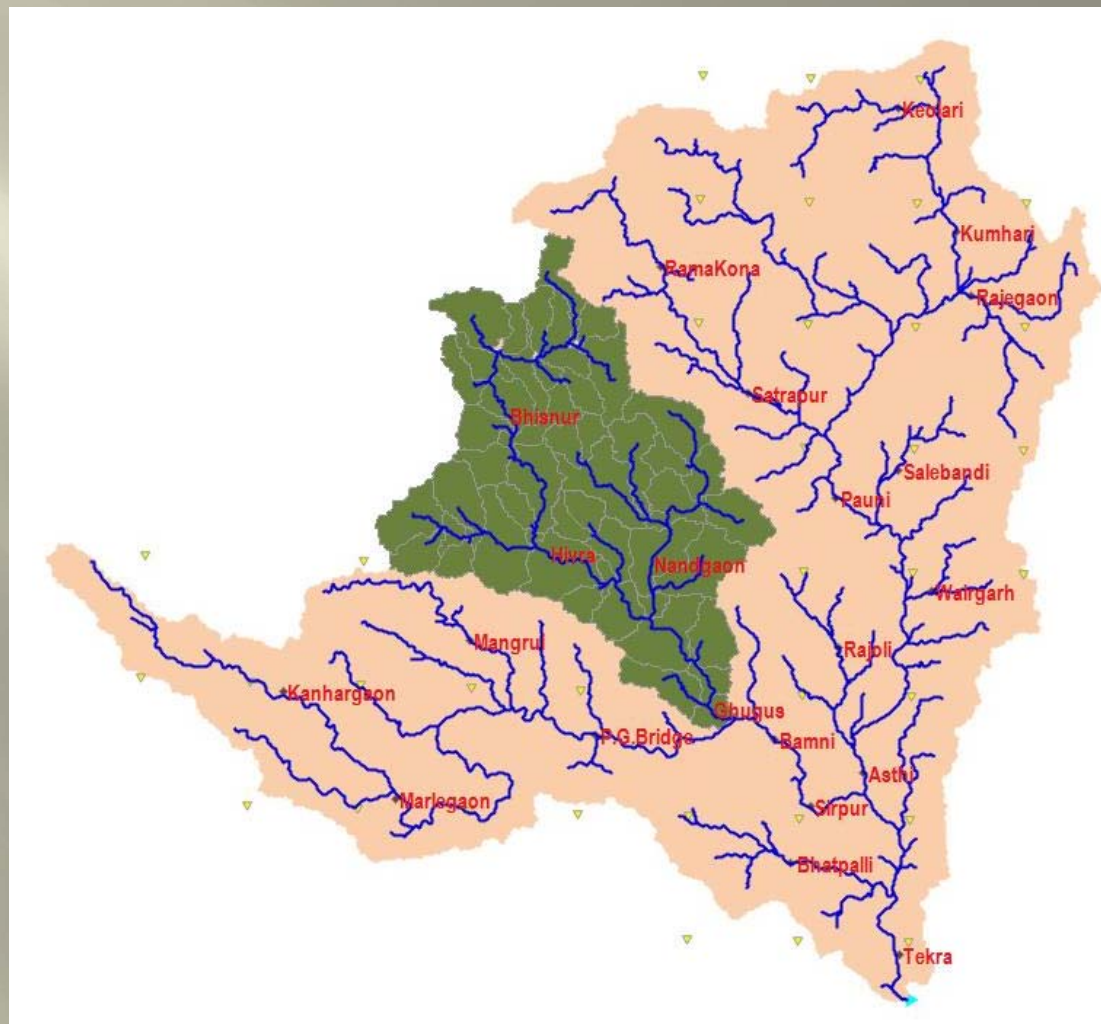
Wainganga rises at an elevation of 640m in the Satpura range in Seoni district of Madhya Pradesh. Winding through the spurs of hills from west to east for a short distance, it flows south and west through Bhandara, Jabalpur and Pauni area. The catchment area of the Wainganga upto its confluence with Narmada is 51,000 km<sup>2</sup>.



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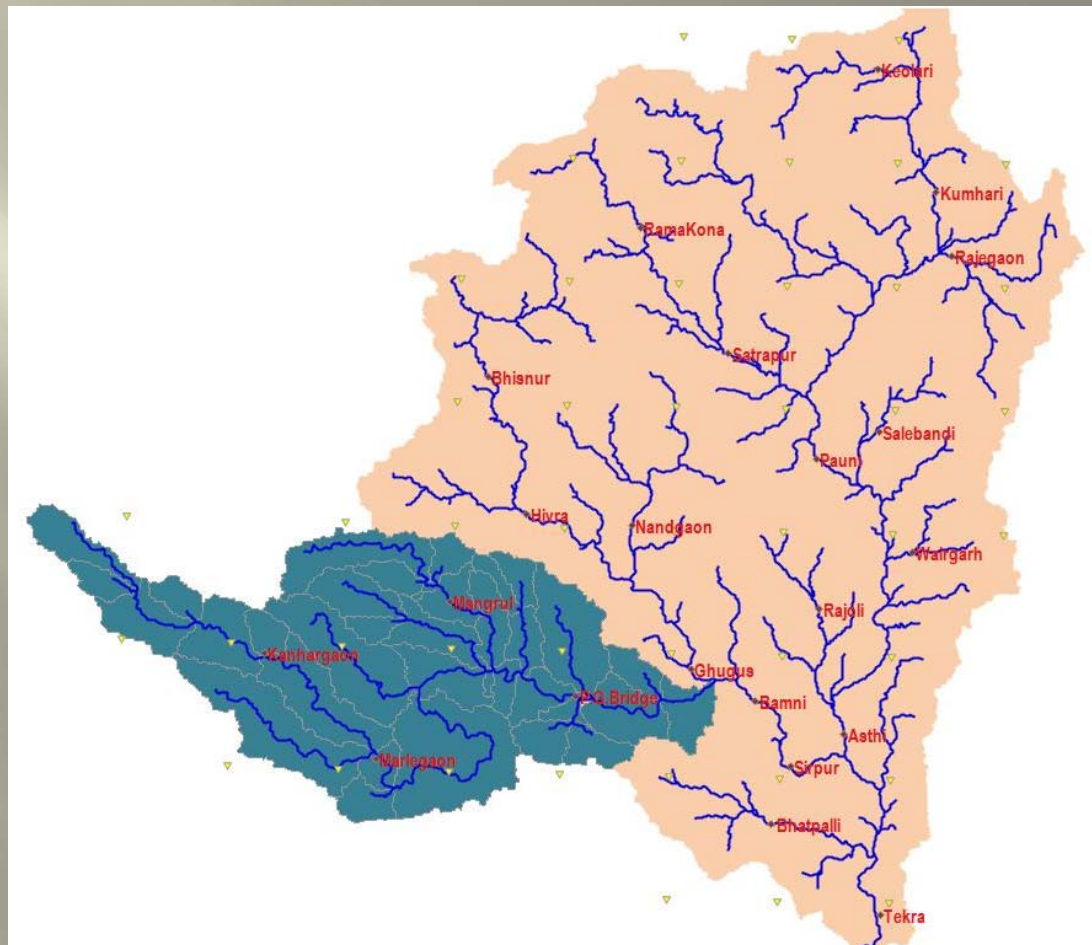
Wardha is the right bank tributary of Pranhita with its origin at Dahawadhna peak of height 777 m in the Satpura range in Betul district of Madhya Pradesh. After coursing 528 km, it joins Pranhita at Seoni, draining a catchment of 48,000 km<sup>2</sup>.

The combined water of Pranhita and Wardha flows joins Narmada near Kaleshwaram in Madhya Pradesh and crosses the Madhya Pradesh - Maharashtra border.



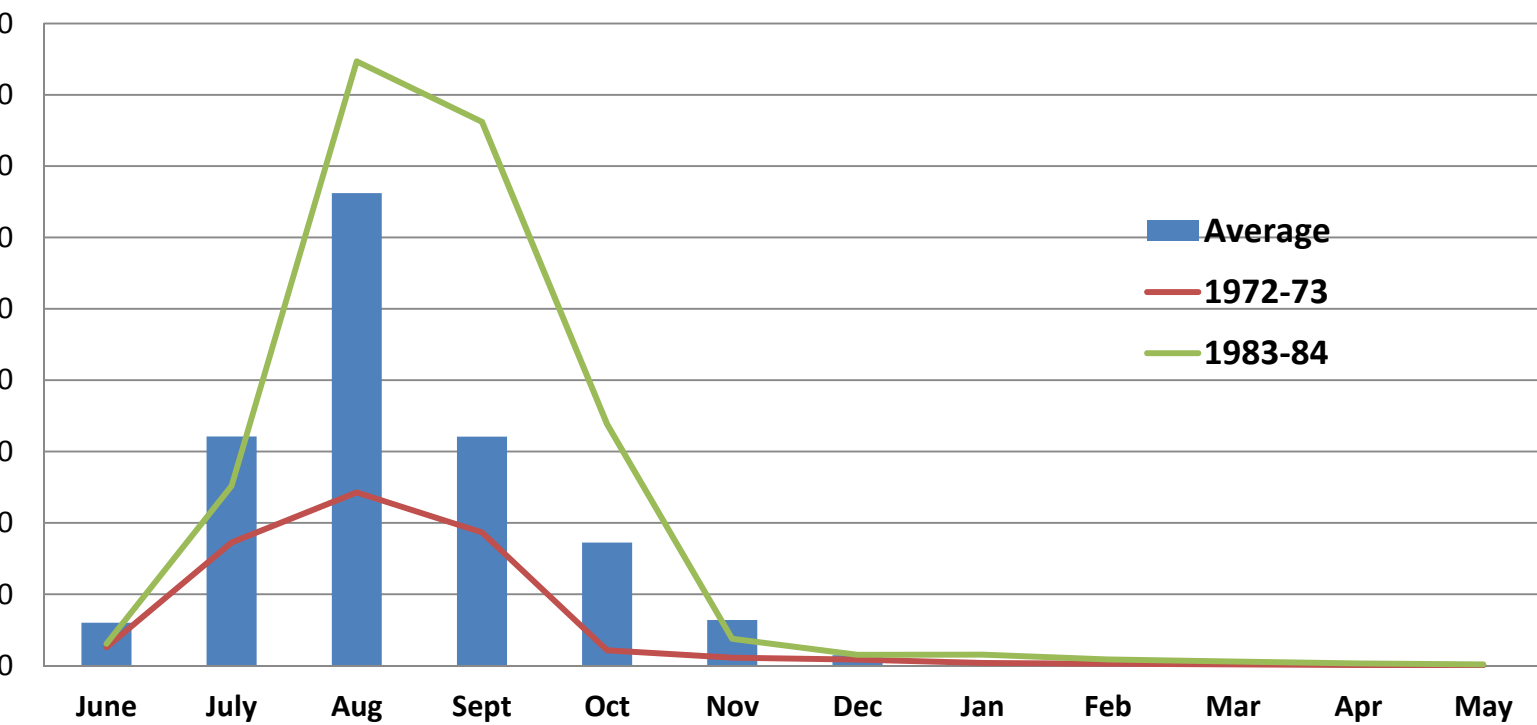
# Study area

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total catchment area up  
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# Study area

Tekra : Flow (cms)





# Soil Water Assessment Tool (SWAT)

SWAT is a river basin scale Long-term, continuous watershed simulation model (Arnold et al,1998)

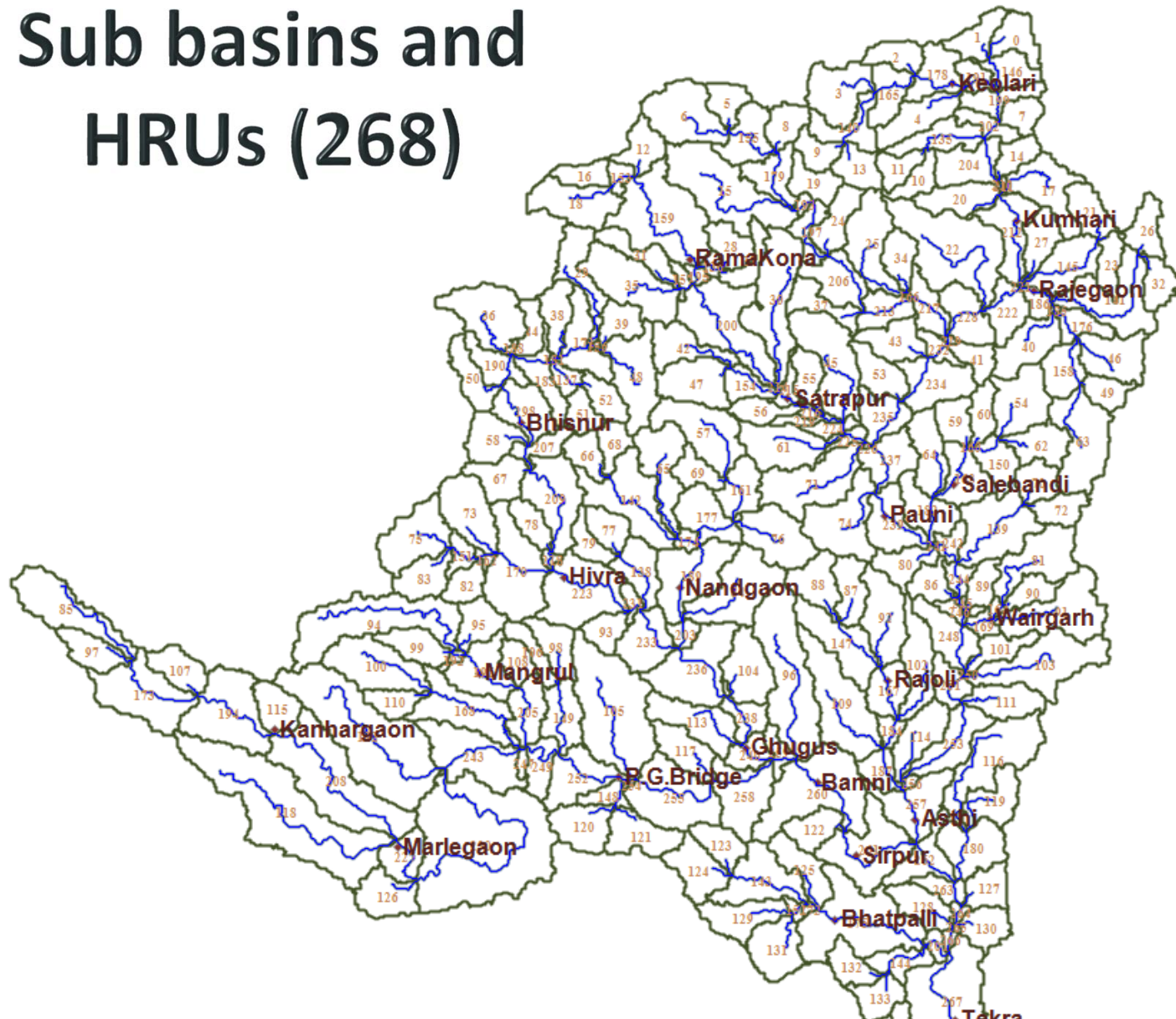
Assesses impacts of climate and land management on yields of water, sediment, and agricultural chemicals

Physically based, including hydrology, soil temperature, plant growth, nutrients, pesticides and land management

It is a public domain model actively supported by the USDA Agricultural Research Service at the Grassland, Soil and Water Research Laboratory in Temple, Texas, USA.

The SWAT system (ArcSWAT/MWSWAT) is embedded within geographic information system (GIS), and can integrate various spatial environmental data, including soil, land cover, climate, and topographic features.

# Sub basins and HRUs (268)



# SWAT model setup

M

Digital Elevation dataset (DEMs) at 90m resolution was obtained from the NASA Shuttle Radar Topographic Mission (SRTM) website.

Pranhita sub-basin has medium topographic relief

Elevation in the basin 1086m-95m. Mean Elevation is 360m a.m.s.l

Average slope of the sub-basin is 1.6%.

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Soil map by Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO, 1995) with a spatial resolution of 10km as per AISLUS Classification, was used.

The soil of Pranhita sub-basin is predominantly clay with clay loamy soil dispersed throughout the basin.

# Swat model setup

## LAND USE

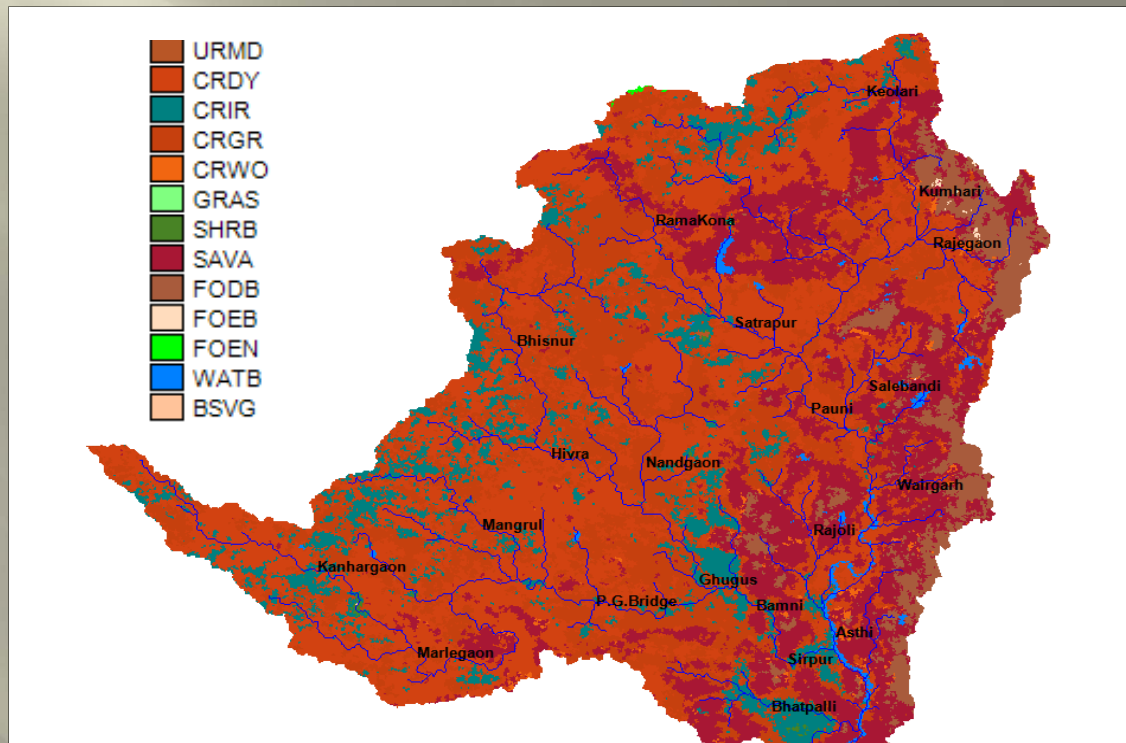
The Landuse map is from USGS Global Land Cover Characterisation (GLCC) Database (April 1992-March 1993)

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# Swat model setup

## WEATHER

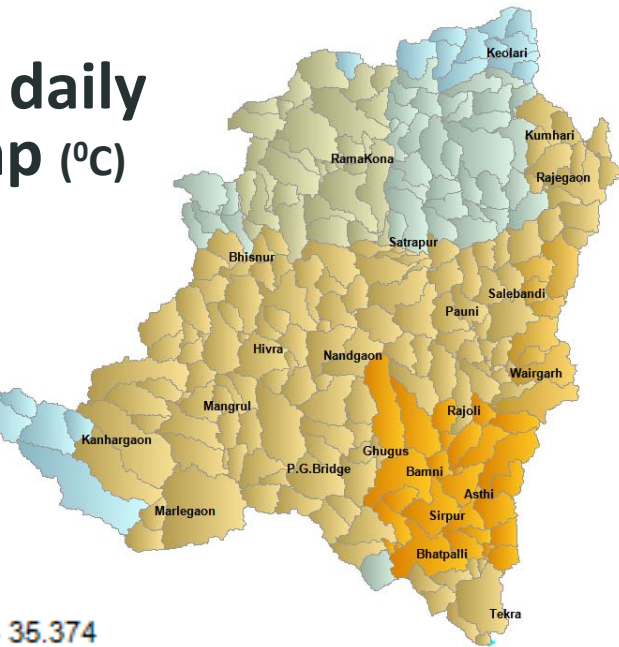
ational Climate Centre (NCC) of Indian Meterological Department (IMD) daily precipitation and temperature values at 0.5 and 1 degree interval respectively

Wind speed and solar radiation were simulated from the nearest climate station using the weather generator in SWAT.

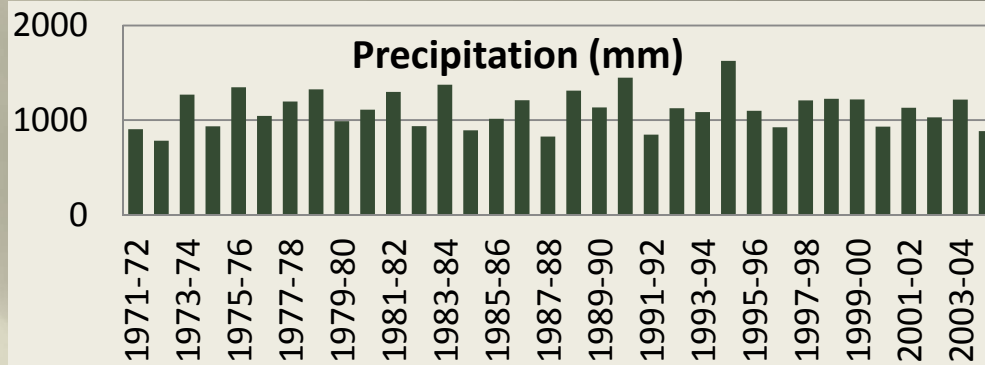
Evapotranspiration was calculated within the model using Penman-Montieth Method (Montieth, 1965).

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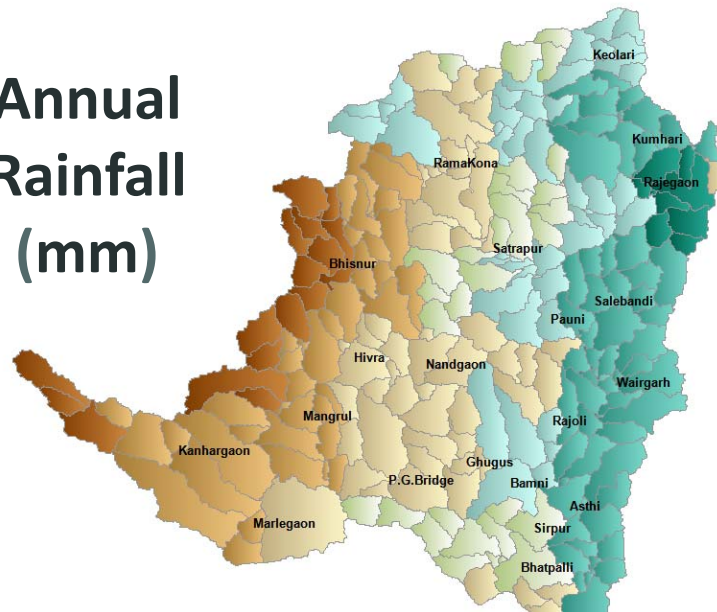
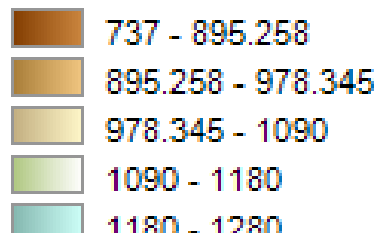
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374 - 35.608  
608 - 35.931  
931 - 37.171  
171 - 37.394  
394 - 37.394  
94 - 38



Annual  
Rainfall  
(mm)



# Calibration and validation Data

The daily and monthly streamflow observation data from CWC (Central Water Commission) maintained gauging stations viz. Ghugus (Wardha sub-basin), P G Bridge (Penganga) and Tekra (Pranhita) are used for calibration and validation.

Annual sub-basin level utilisation from National Water Development Agency (NWDA) sub-basin Reports of Godavari

# Utilisation

There are four major Projects, 37 medium Projects and minor projects of 1028 M cu m utilization capacity existing in truncated Pranhita.

In the Penganga sub-basin, two major projects and seven medium Projects and several Minor schemes existing which indicates utilization of about 18%

In the Wardha sub-basin, Sixteen medium projects and several *Minor schemes of 202 M cu m* capacity shows utilization percent of 12%.

Overall, there is over 12% utilization in Pranhita basin based on information collected upto 1992-93.



# Naturalisation : Approach

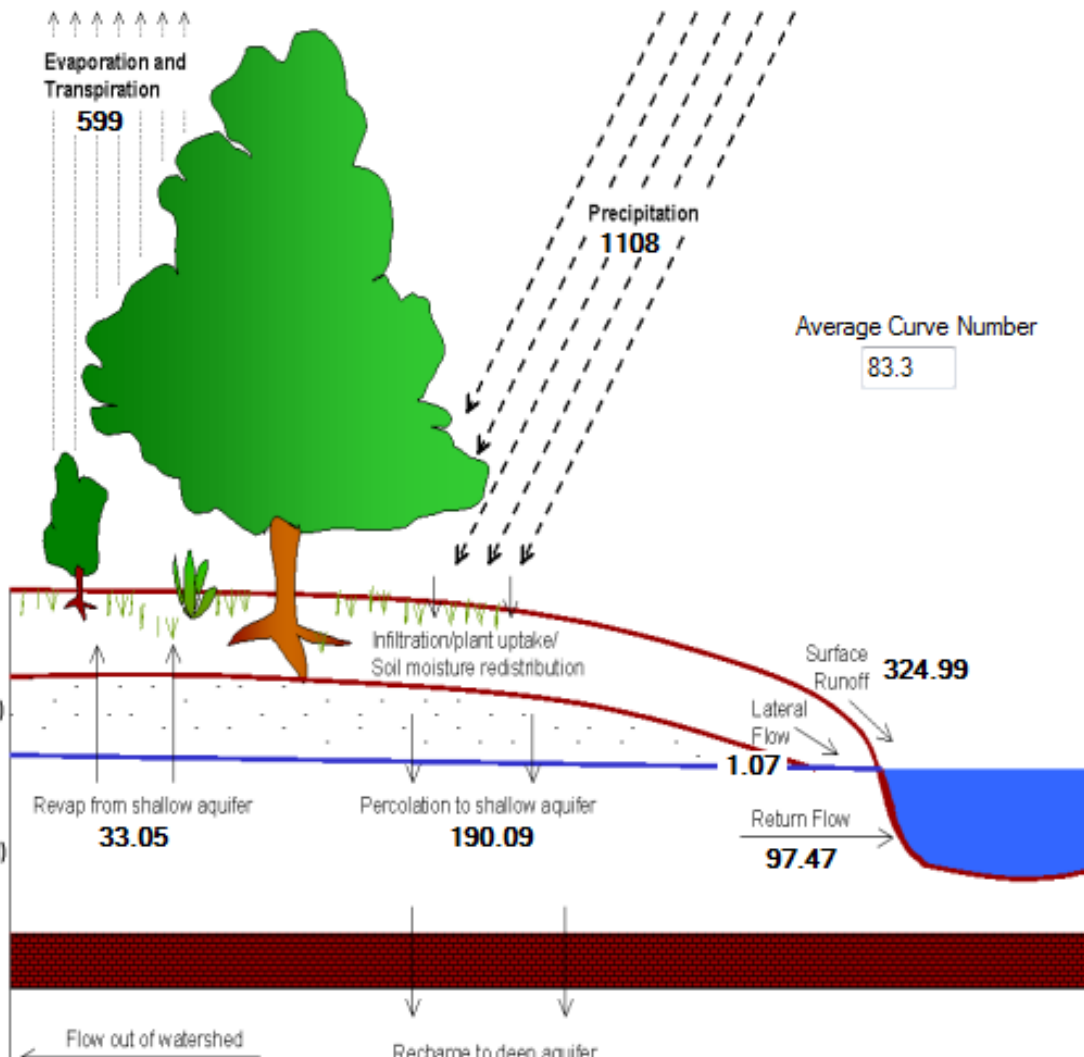
Basin level Annual utilization collected from Reports. The utilization comprises of irrigation, water supply, return flows, evaporation loss.

Aggregate into monthly utilization based on cropwater requirement.

Non-Monsoon utilization is added to Monsoon months in proportion to the rainfall received.

For gauging sites located inside the basin, the annual utilization derived on pro-rata basis from design capacity of projects located in its catchment to the basin level design capacity.

# Water Balance



## Water Balance Ratios

Streamflow/Precip

Baseflow/Total Flow

Surface Runoff/Total Flow

Perc/Precip

Deep Recharge/Precip

ET/Precipitation

# Results and discussion

Parameter	Description	Unit	Default value	Calibrated value
	Soil Evaporation compensation factor	fraction	0.95	0.7
AWC	Available soil water capacity	mm mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.1-0.18	0.18-0.32
AMN	Threshold water depth in shallow aquifer for return to occur	mm	0	100
ARGE_DP	Deep aquifer percolation fraction	fraction	0.05	0.3

# Results and discussion

	Catchment Area (km <sup>2</sup> )		Period	Monthly		Annual		
				R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	PBIAS	R <sup>2</sup>	NSE
kra	108780	Calib	1971-72 to 1983-84	0.95	0.94	-10	0.92	0.83
Pranhita		Valid	1984-85 to 1993-94	0.97	0.95	-16	0.98	0.84
ugus	21429	Calib	1971-72 to 1983-84	0.92	0.91	-5	0.93	0.88
Wardha		Valid	1984-85 to 1993-94	0.9	0.87	-15	0.9	0.76
G dge	18441	Calib	1971-72 to 1983-84	0.95	0.95	-7	0.94	0.93
Penganga		Valid	1984-85 to 1993-94	0.93	0.92	-9	0.96	0.95

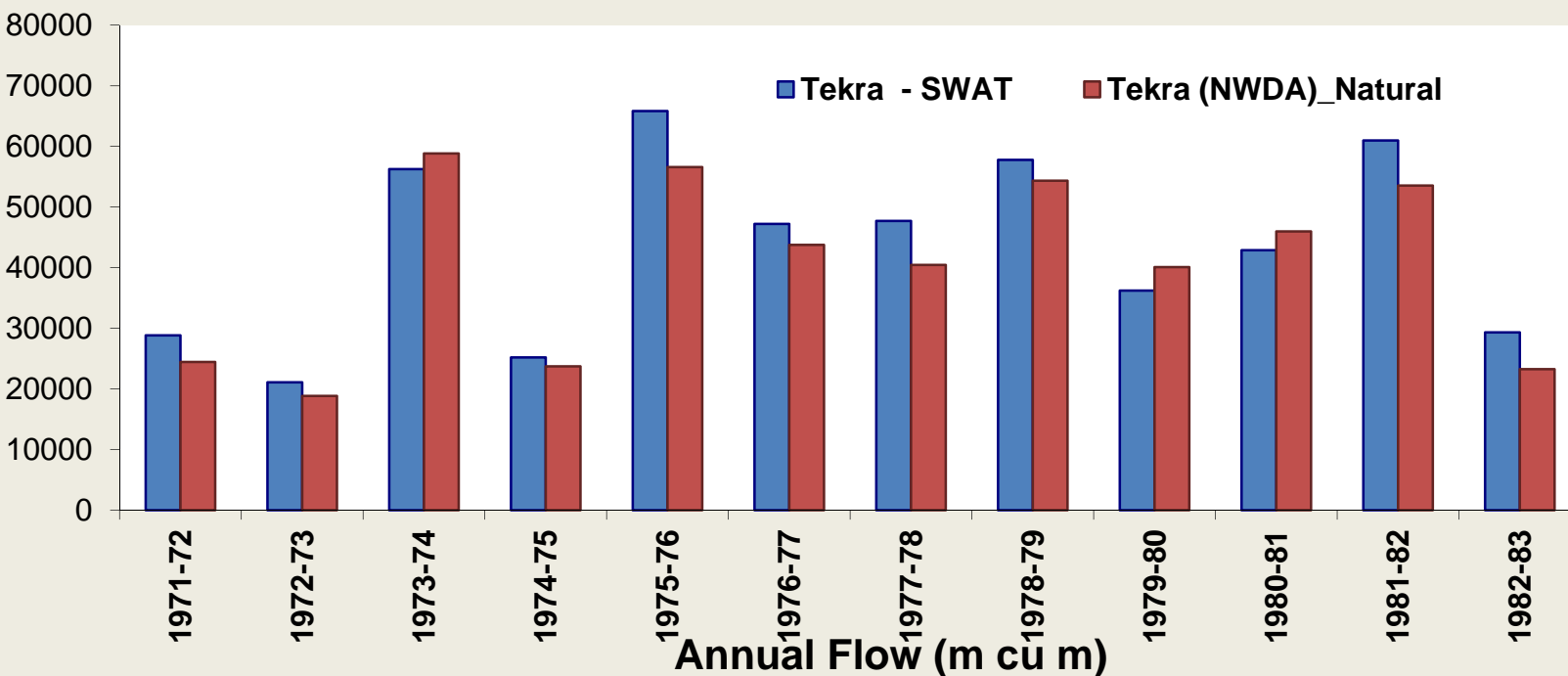
# Results and discussion

	Catchment Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Average			Standard deviation	
		Observed	Naturalised	Simulated	Observed	Simulated
Asthi	50990	680	784	893	389	346
Bamni	46020	335	362	426	206	192
Bishnur	5000	20.1	20.2	29.8	16	18.6
Ghugus	21429	146	154	211	88.5	90.6
Hivra	10240	44.6	46	71.9	34	38.3
Kanhargaon	3515	16	20	24.1	14.3	19
Keolari	2970	33.8	34.3	44.9	21.2	20.5
Kumhari	8070	111.2	114.9	138.6	69.2	58
Marlegaon	7410	35.9	39.9	58.9	31.6	38.9
Nandgaon	4580	26.7	34.6	49.2	17.9	24
Pauni	35520	347	440.7	617.6	210	252.1
P G Bridge	18441	132.3	144.4	168.6	86.3	91.9
Rajegaon	5380	111.8	121.1	141.6	79.8	56.4
Rajoli	1900	21	25.3	30.1	12	16.1
Satrapur	11100	81.2	111.2	129.1	55.7	60.4
Sirpur	47500	370.3	415.5	476.4	230.8	199.6

# Results and discussion

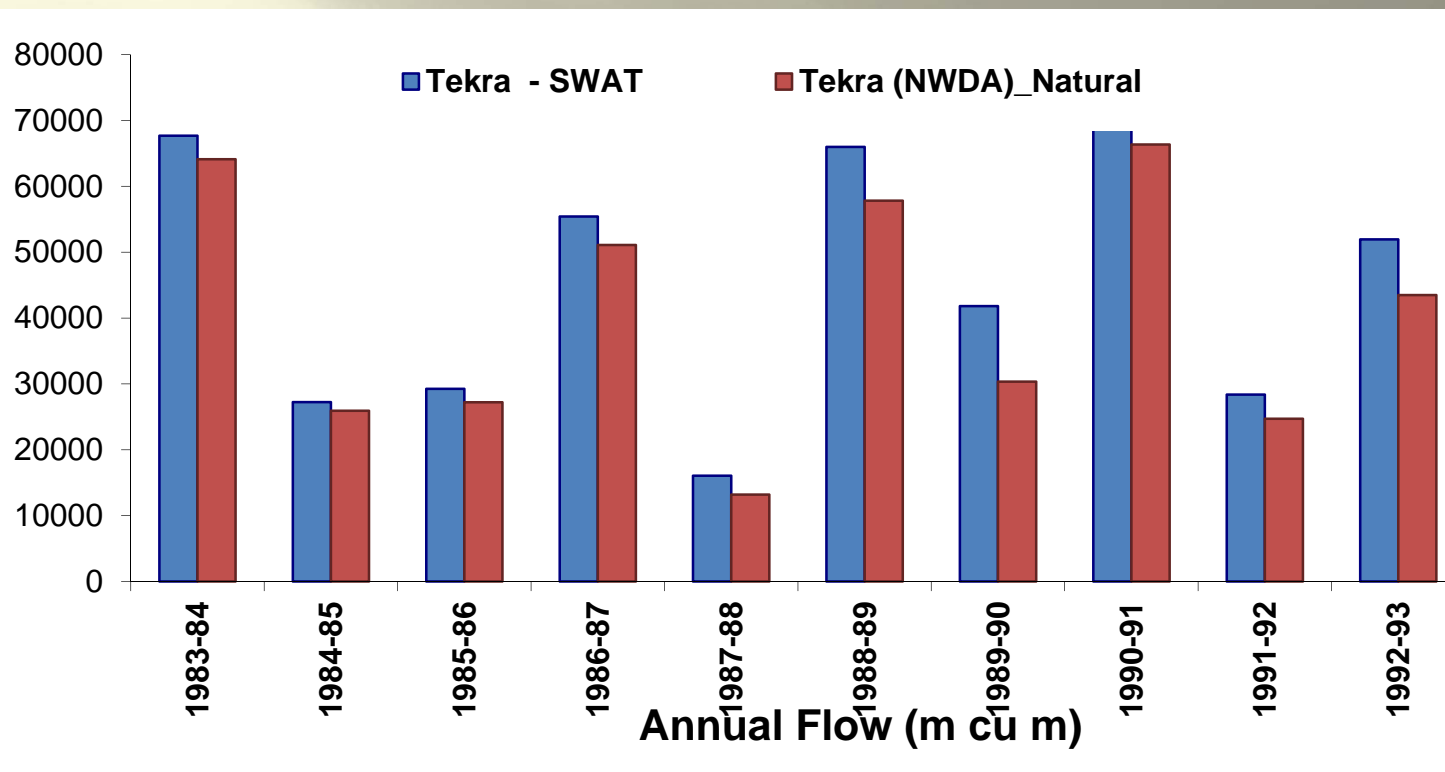
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		R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	PBIAS (%)	R <sup>2</sup>	NSE
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Bamni	46020	0.95	0.86	-16.8	0.93	0.9
Bishnur	5000	0.79	0.09	-44	0.71	0.3
Ghugus	21429	0.98	0.63	-37.4	0.81	0.62
Hivra	10240	0.89	0.15	-56	0.82	0.59
Kanhargaon	3515	0.97	0.94	-7	0.82	0.81
Keolari	2970	0.91	0.69	-24.5	0.9	0.85
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Marlegaon	7410	0.99	0.57	-41	0.91	0.81
Nandgaon	4580	0.94	0.33	-38	0.94	0.71
Pauni	35520	0.97	0.54	-29.1	0.93	0.73
P G Bridge	18441	0.97	0.89	-16.7	0.94	0.88
Rajegaon	5380	0.71	0.62	-16.9	0.77	0.76
Rajoli	1900	0.93	0.72	-15	0.93	0.91
Satrapur	11100	0.85	0.71	-16.1	0.81	0.66
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# Result and discussion : Tekra - Calibration



	Catchment Area		Period	Monthly		Annual		
	(km <sup>2</sup> )			R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	PBIAS
Tekra	108780	Calib	1971-72 to 1982-83	0.95	0.94	0.92	0.88	-6

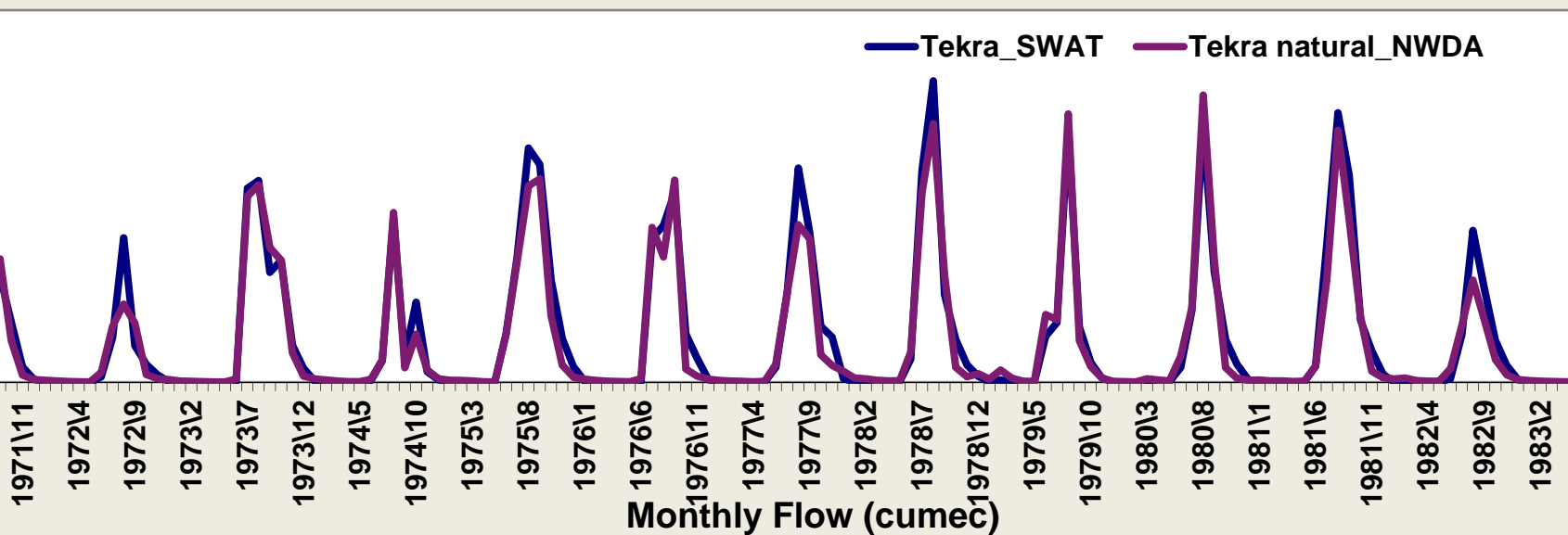
# Result and discussion : Tekra - Validation



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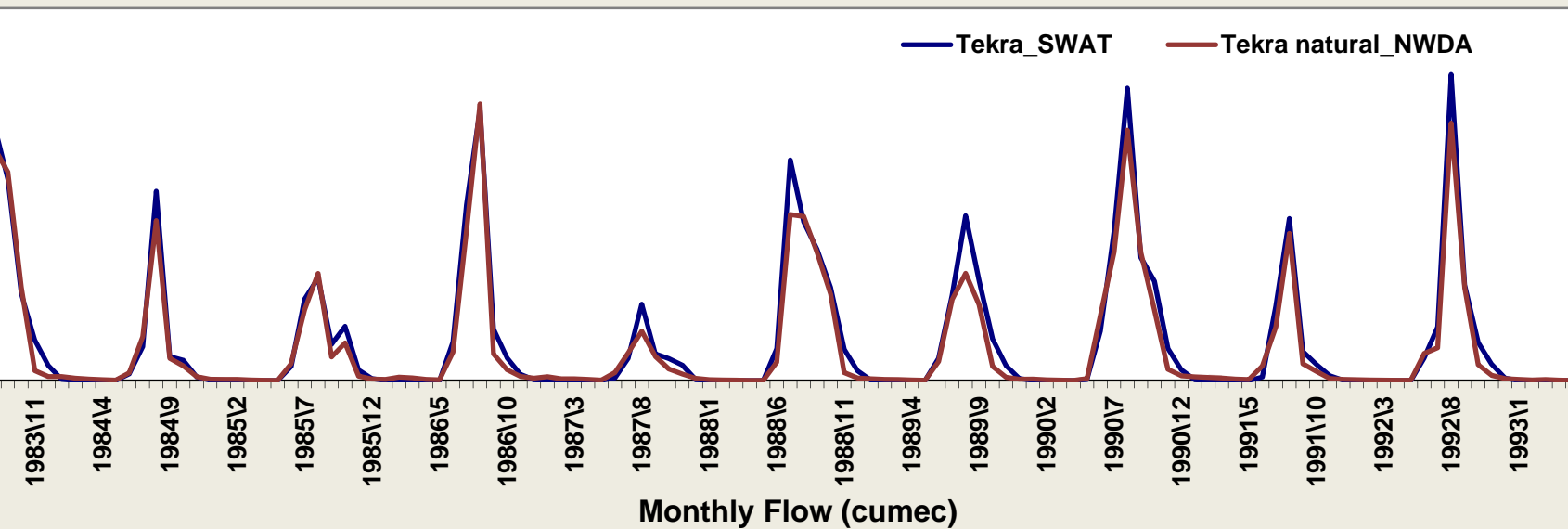


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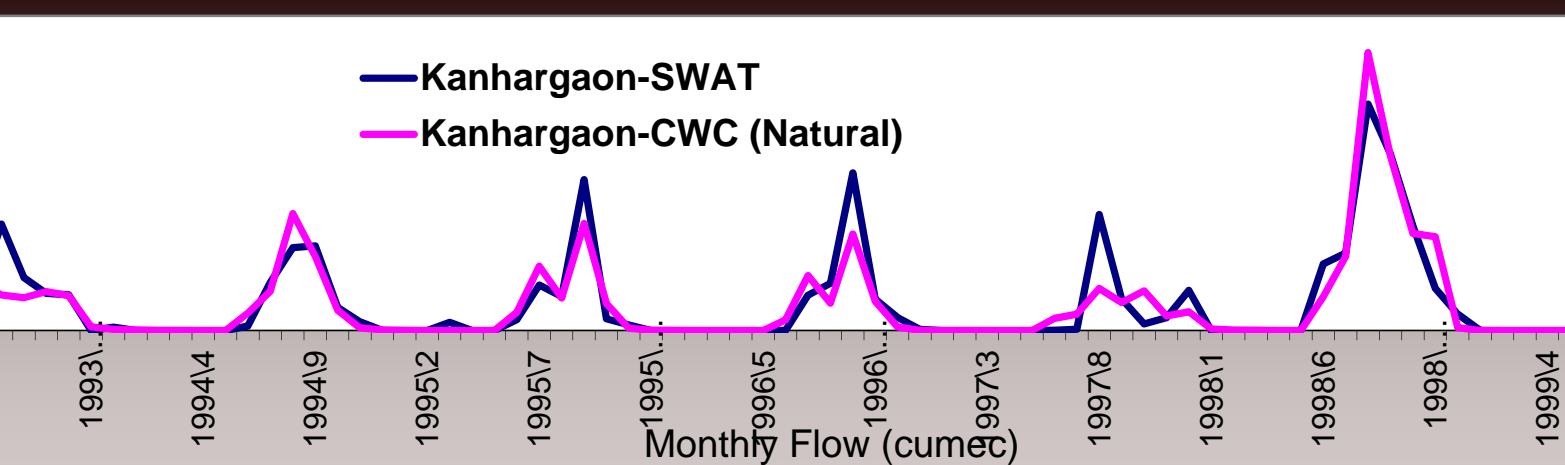
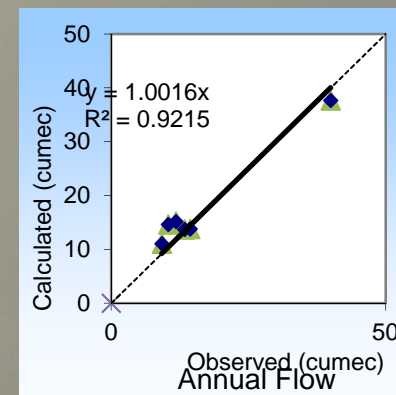


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ka	108780	Calib	1971-72 to 1982-83	0.95	0.94	0.92	0.83	-10
		Valid	1993-94 to 1993-93	0.97	0.93	0.97	0.89	12

# Validation Results

# Result and discussion : Kanhargaon

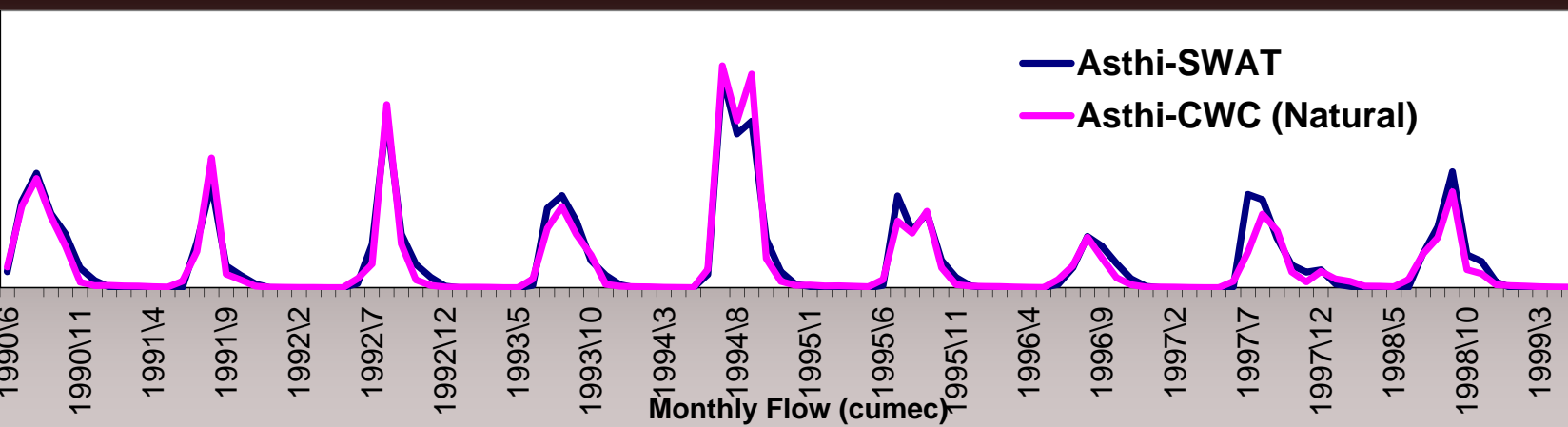
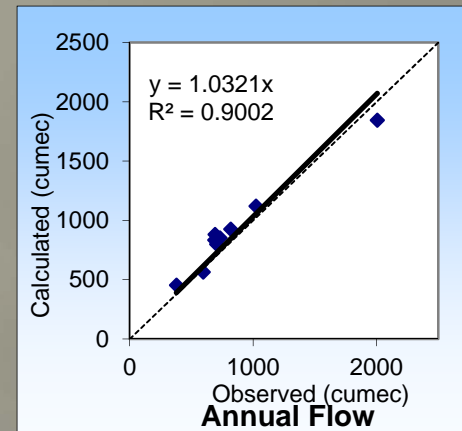
CA -3515 sq km  
Sub-basin -Penganga



	Catchment Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Period	Monthly		Annual		
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Bridge	18441	1971.72 to 1982.83	0.95	0.95	0.94	0.93	7

# Result and discussion : Asthi

CA -50990 sq km  
Sub-basin - Pranhita

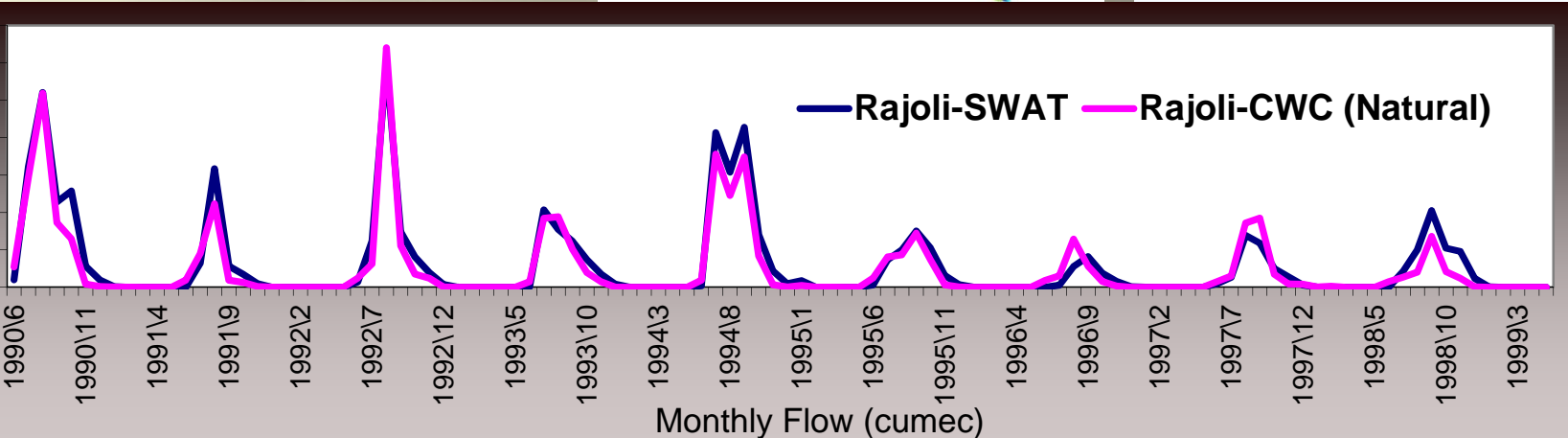
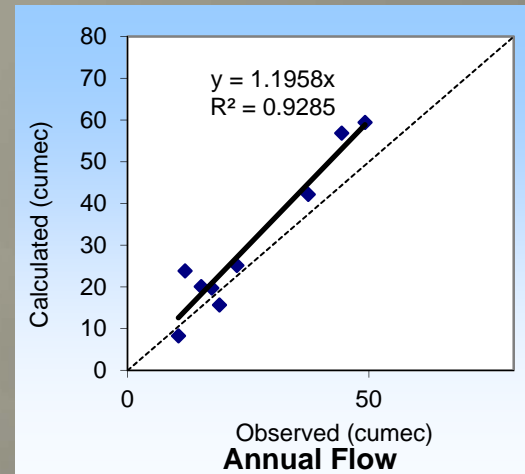


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# Result and discussion : Rajoli

CA – 1900 sq km  
Sub-basin - Pranhita



	Catchment Area		Period	Monthly		Annual		
	(km <sup>2</sup> )			R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	R <sup>2</sup>	NSE	PBIAS
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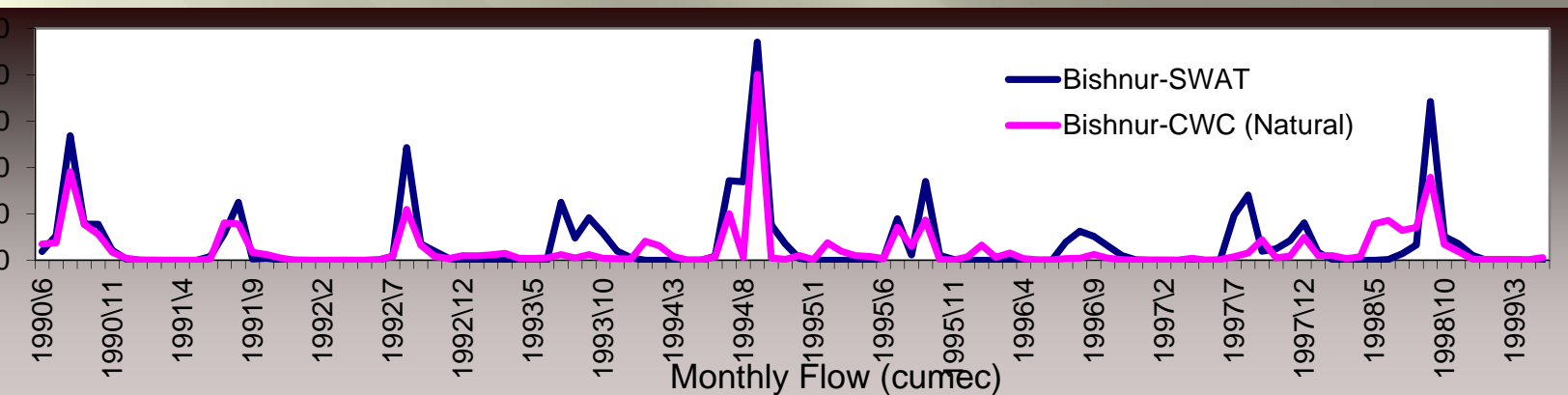
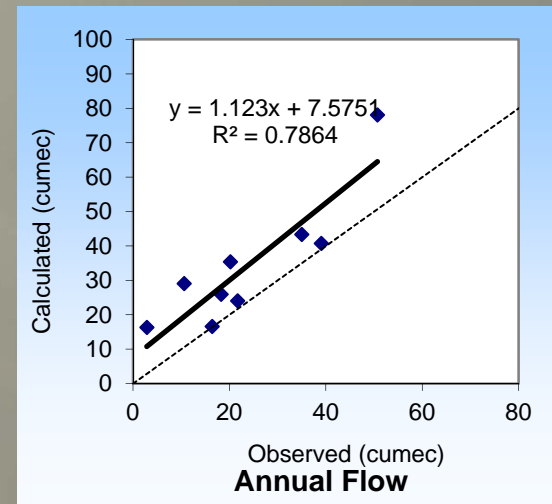
# Some low Statistics



# Result and discussion : Bishnur

CA – 5000 sq km

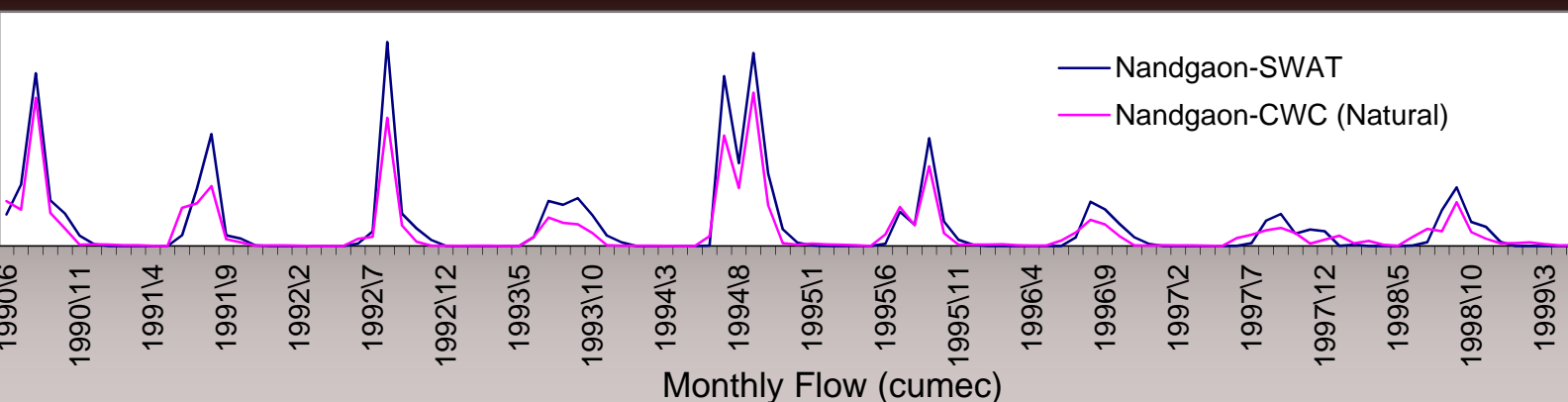
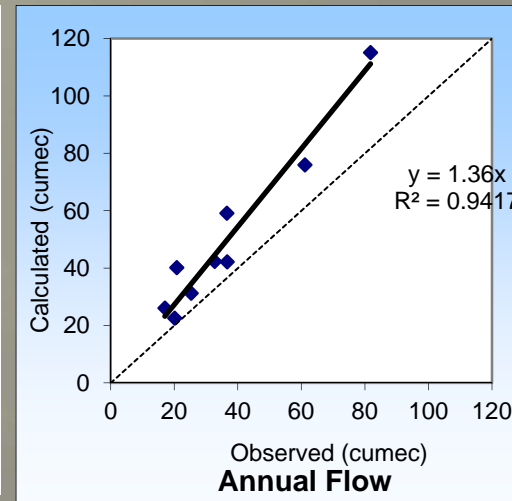
Sub-basin - Wardha



Catchment Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Period	Monthly		Annual		
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# Result and discussion : Nandgaon

- CA – 4580 sq km
- Sub-basin - Wardha



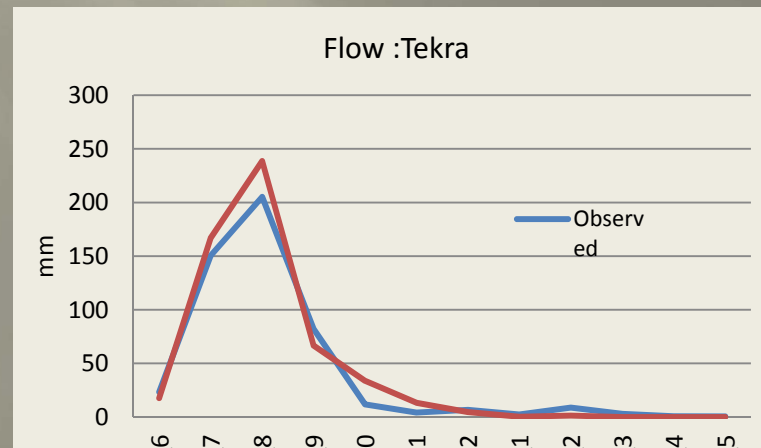
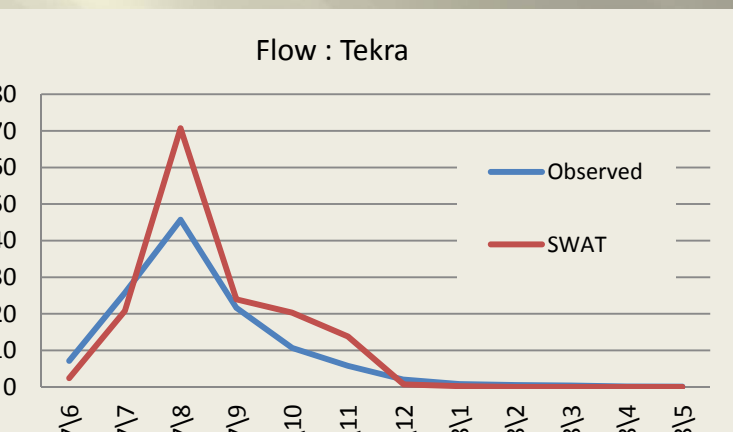
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Ghugik	21249	Calih	1971-72 to 1983-84	0.92	0.91	0.93	0.88	-5

# Result and discussion

analysis of wetter than normal years and drier than normal years shows that the model gives better results in wetter years than drier years.

The monthly NSE's for TWYLD are 0.95 for the three wet years and 0.67 for the four drier years.

Comparison of the monthly observed and simulated streamflow for the wet year with highest peak and dry year with the lowest peak reveal that the model tended to overpredict streamflow during the monsoon period of the year.



# Conclusion

The SWAT model developed in the study validates how well spatially distributed models are able to produce acceptable results using readily available, physically based input parameters in watersheds ranging from small to very large. Given further information about the watershed's physiographic characteristics, better simulation results would be obtained, especially on a monthly temporal scale.

The calibrated SWAT model is tested for streamflow. We used annual and monthly streamflow from 16 CWC monitoring gauges to test SWAT and found that SWAT can capture the amount and variability of annual streamflow acceptably well ( $R^2$  values range between 0.72 and 0.99 and NSE ranges between 0.94 and 0.54).

# Conclusion

The low statistics of Bishnur/Nandgaon may be attributed to :

- Lack of sufficient information about the utilization details from minor irrigation projects in the upper reaches of Wardha basin, in particular.
- Major change in Water utilization due to projects in Wardha post 1990 for which data is not available

Overall, the SWAT model can satisfactorily predict hydrologic budget for the ungauged basins in Pranhita with calibration at basin scale. The results further emphasize the importance and prospects of using accurate spatial input data for ungauged flow assessment using the physically based SWAT model .

The Simulation is being tested on utilization of time line 1972 to 1993 which is dynamic in nature.

# Further prospects of the study

The study also highlights the prospect of simulation of effect of change in landuse on ungauged catchments and their combined effect on basin scale.

The effect of climate change on small ungauged basins

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