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Assessment Of Physicochemical And Biological Parameters For The Narmada River Water

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Abstract: - Narmada River is the lifeline of Madhya Pradesh, A Study was conducted for the evaluation of Water Quality. Physicochemical and Biological Parameters Such as – pH, TDS, Conductivity, Alkalinity, Total hardness, DO, BOD, and COD, etc., were done according to the Parameters determined by APHA and BIS method. This was observed that the water quality was found to be poor in the All season because this water condition by humans activity.

Keywords: - Narmada River, physicochemical and Biological parameters, APHA, BIS method.

Introduction: - Narmada River is the lifeline of Madhya Pradesh, A Study was conducted for the assessment of the Water quality at Narmadapuram. River Narmada plays an important role in the natural, cultural, and economic aspects of the state of Madhya Pradesh in India. Due to pollution in the past few decades, there have been serious changes in aquatic activities and the environment. In recent times, there have been serious concerns about the safe use of river water for drinking and other purposes. Many pollutants are playing a major role in degrading the quality of water of river Narmada.

Environmental pollution is increasing day by day due to urbanization and industrialization. Water quality is degrading through variation in chemical and microbiological properties at different places along the banks of the Narmada River. The impact of human-induced environmental changes is being evaluated and studied.

Objective

- 1. Determine various physicochemical and biological parameters for the study of Narmada River water.
- 2. To determine the physiochemical and biological status of Narmada River.

Work done

1. In the present study, water samples were collected every year from various sites along the Narmada River.

2. The samples were analyzed for 12 different physicochemical attributes like pH, BOD, COD, Total Coliform, Temp, DO, Alkalinity, Chlorides, Calcium, Magnesium, and Hardness as Calcium Carbonate and TDS.

3. The measurement of the water quality index according to WHO were taken into consideration over time.

Methodology

(i) Area of Study

The study was conducted along river Narmada, in the district of Narmadapuram (M.P.),

(ii) Research design

The research has been carried out to define the water quality and analyzed various physicochemical parameters like Temperature, pH, turbidity, DO, BOD, and COD.

The above physicochemical and biological parameters were determined as per the method suggested by APHA. The Temperature pH and DO were recorded immediately after the collection of the sample, other samples were analyzed in a laboratory within 24hrs. The methods adopted for the different parameters are as follows.

Volumetric method

This method was used for the following parameter –

Dissolve oxygen, BOD, COD, Total hardness,

Instrumental Method

This method was used for the following parameter-

Temperature, pH conductivity, turbidity.

Following parameters like, BOD, COD, pH, Turbidity, TDS, and total coliforms values were found to be very high in river water.

(iii) Statistical analysis

The Statistical analysis was performed for correlation and test. The water quality index will be calculated to check the suitability of water for human consumption.

Result: - The present study of various physicochemical and Biological parameters on the water of Narmada River Suggested that the values of different parameters depend upon the hydrochemistry of the study area. The results obtained during the present study are tabulated in Table 1. The results are shown by statistical evaluation as Minimum and Maximum values, Average Values, Standard Deviation, Standard Variance, Standard Error, and 95% Confidence Limit of the parameters for Narmada River water are presented in Table 1. The parameter's value is corrected by the WHO Standard value. The resulting value of the below parameters is poor.

Table – 1							
S.No.	PARAMETER	SITE - I	SITE - II	SITE - III	SITE - IV	SITE - V	Standard Value
							of Water WHO
1	рН	7.5	7.8	7.6	8.2	8.7	7
2	Alkalinity mg/L	420	432	424	462	490	20-200 mg/L
3	TDS mg/L	352	366	362	387	396	50-150 mg/L
4	Total Hardness mg/L	126	155	132	159	166	120-170 mg/L
5	DO mg/L	6.2	5.3	5.9	4.8	4.4	4.5 mg/L
6	BOD mg/L	5.6	4.9	5.3	4.7	4.1	3-5 mg/L
7	COD mg/L	48	69	57	78	92	100-250 mg/L
8	Chloride mg/L	188	198	191	204	209	250-1000
9	Phosphate mg/L	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.9	2.4	3 mg/L
10	Nitrate mg/L	0.6	1.1	0.8	1.2	1.3	10 mg/L
11	Zinc (Zn) mg/L	0.162	0.168	0.166	0.172	0.176	5-15 mg/L
12	Coliform count/ml	3400-	4200-	3200-	3600-	4000-	10000/100 ml
		28500	67400	26600	28600	75200	

MEAN VALUES OF PHYSICOCHEMICAL & BIOLOGICAL PARAMETERS AT SAMPLING SITES IN THE NARMADA RIVER WATER





Graphical Presentation of the above Physicochemical and Biological Parameters

Conclusion: - A Study was considered for the assessment of the Water Quality by Physicochemical and Biological Parameters Such as – pH, TDS, Alkalinity, Total hardness, DO, BOD, COD, Chloride, Phosphate, Nitrate, Zinc, Coliform, etc. All the Parameters were determined by APHA and BIS methods.

In the present study we observed that the water quality was found to be poor during all seasons because of this water condition by human activity, and municipal and domestic sewage.

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