

ROLE OF PROLETARIAT AT GRASS ROOT LEVEL IN ECO-HYDROLOGY MANAGEMENT - CASE STUDY OF SUBARNAREKHA RIVER BASIN IN JHARKHAND, ORISSA AND WEST BENGAL, INDIA

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Abstract - *In the conservation of water supplies and ecology, the capacity building of common people in understanding and forecasting the effects of hydrological and ecological changes is important. This paper incorporates the People's cooperation in Eco-Hydrology (EH) with the Government of Indian (GoI) agency in the territory of Jharkhand, Orissa, and West Bengal (WB), India. Improvement of correspondence organization, materials, and strategies in EH education and planning of surrounding natural areas of interest had been the principal centre of the proposed venture. This proposed venture is planned in a participatory way, at the person, just as at the authoritative level. At the individual level, ranchers, instructors, understudies, adolescents, and college personnel are associated with leading preparing workshops and carryout fieldworks to upgrade the mindfulness, information, and abilities. In view of the fluctuated agro-climatic conditions, biospheres, and Subarnarekha River basin of the state and for productive administration of the venture the entire river basin is to be partitioned into micro watershed corps (MWC) could be termed as the proletariat. In this paper, the coordinated methodology followed has been portrayed, and encounters and difficulties are explained. The overall contention is that effective science communication approaches have been crucial attributes in active sustainable development in the respect of local citizens and EH monitoring and conservation initiatives.*

Keywords: *Capacity building, Eco-hydrology, science Communication, Sustainable Development*

INTRODUCTION

Subarnarekha River (SR) flows through three Indian states to be specific Jharkhand, Orissa, and Jharkhand. The Basin of SR has 34,701 km² of the total catchment area (Dhali et al. 2017). This basin stretches out from the Chotanagapur Plateau area to the Bay of Bengal. There are a few agro-climatic and Hydrogeological areas which, with adequate precipitation (1200 mm to 4000 mm each year overall) gives this express an extraordinary component (Gupta et. al. 2021; Ghosh, 2018 and Mohapatra and Mohanty, 2005). This river basin comprises various major, medium, and miniature Eco-hydrology (EH) units which are in danger because of gigantic populace trouble and broad agribusiness and metropolitan development. These EH units need consideration, protection, and reclamation. It must be accomplished if individuals at grass root level become mindful and equipped for securing their water resources. This requires logical information and coordinated exertion. The basin of the SR is more modest among the multi-state river basin in India. Henceforth, hydro-meteorological precipitation stations kept up by the Central Water Commission (CWC), State Governments, and the India Meteorological Department jointly.

In the Indian context, ecohydrological information is produced by governmental departments and examination organizations. This information is exceptionally large-scale level and occasionally addresses the issues at the grass-root level. The approach and materials utilized for public mindfulness are nonexclusive and regularly more specialized to be fathomed by the average citizens. It is felt that if individuals from grass root level are engaged with nearby level ecohydrological information age and mindfulness working of average folks that would zero in additional on neighborhood water-related issues and would upgrade individuals' support and interest in the integrated water resource management.

Science Communication (SC) is a worldview that coordinates nature, individuals, hypotheses, and reality for superior empathy of the natural cycles and can empower individuals to settle on keen and cognizance choices (Martian-Sempere et al. 2008). With the end goal of empowering individuals, networks, and foundations of nearby self-administration with essential logical instruments for educated cooperation, a progression of projects actualized in Jharkhand, Orissa, and WB, as by the Department of Science and Technology. It began with mindfulness age and local area level planning and information age that finished into the use of information for choice help. In 2008, The Ministry of Rural Development, GoI empowers discussions and conversations and has framed different Committees to request input for improving the program execution in the country. The plans, for example, Integrated Wasteland Development Programme, Drought Prone Area Development Programme, and Desert Development Programme were converged under the Integrated Watershed Management Program (IWMP) in 2008, to achieve a marginal way to deal with the economical turn of events. The “Common Guidelines-2008” was created for the powerful execution of the task to date (Singh et al.).

This paper is a result of an activity exploration and contends that SC is a specific fundamental worldview and it can encourage to make the limit of local communities to start coordinated endeavors, produce plentiful data set, persuade individuals right into it and can go about as an interface between the asset evaluation and the dynamic exercises for economical water asset formative arranging at the grass-root level.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The entire methodology is partitioned into various structures under which the correspondence network has been developed and the information stream is initiated in the casked progressive hierarchical framework.

Hypothetical Framework

The proposed hypothetical system includes stakeholders from various areas of society. It is additionally felt that in towns, neither the chosen agents nor the local folks is taking care of complex characteristic frameworks or biological elements except if they are appropriately prepared. In this activity, the essential goal was to create

- i. A unit of expert governances for driving crusade and information spawning exercises.
- ii. A framework of field level data collector.
- iii. Institutional Framework make social preparation on EH.

Organisational framework

For executing SC exercises a resilient and dynamic association structure is a prerequisite. It includes a subsidizing establishment and GoI association that would give the primary asset and the executives uphold. The authoritative system includes a state-level association that activates resource and information, gets ready resource materials, plans the correspondence connect to send information to the grass-roots level. A midlevel association is required that would be involved expert educators with information on micro water basin explicit issues on EH. They are made fit for getting sorted out MWCs and train them. The Proposed Hypothetical Model of the authoritative structure is given in figure 1, which may be adopted to rectify the organizational framework.

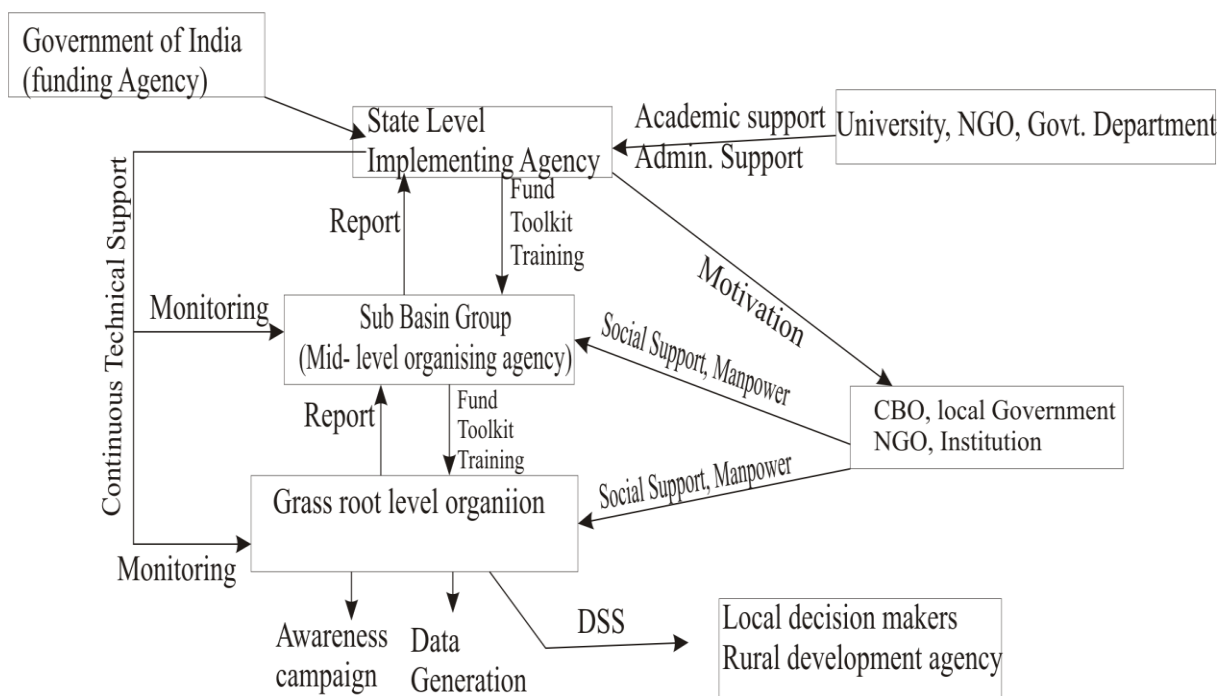


Fig 1: Proposed Hypothetical Model of the Organisational Framework

SC Framework and curriculum

The toolkit used to impart science are all-encompassing. There are corporeal gatherings, for example, science fiestas and carnivals. There are public talks and discussions, social and broad communications, trade plans, public counsel, worldwide organizations, intergovernmental discourse, and so forth the instruction module ought to convey and apply the major biological ideas remembering those centring for people, species populaces, networks, environments, and so forth Fruitful mindfulness and capacity building need, aside from the authoritative structure an exhaustive educational plan which has both hypothetical and activity program segments. The destinations are accomplished through books, writing, and mainstream media like banners, street plays, celebrations, and so forth and limit working through workshops and field-based preparing for the information age.

Result and Discussion

Case study: Jharkhand, Orissa and WB Perspective

SR of India has been chosen for the study and the details of the study area are depicted hereinafter. The various hydrological and hydro-meteorological observation stations maintained by CWC, State Governments, and the India Meteorological Department. Each of the three state governments of Jharkhand, Orissa, and WB capitalize SR as a major resource but lack of organizational framework. Here we will emphasize the requirement of an organizational framework for a joint monitor program. The government of Jharkhand runs a program for the rejuvenation of River Subarnarekha namely “Action plan for rejuvenation of Subarnarekha River in Jharkhand”. On the other hand, the other two-state have to participate actively on this serious note. These three states should implant state-level instigating establishment. This establishment should have five main errands:-

- i. Identifying the lead organization and usage accomplices.
- ii. Supporting and defining strategy.
- iii. Establishing coordination instruments.
- iv. Improving institutional and hierarchical plans to empower implementers to convey project exercises/intercessions.

- v. Proposed toolkit compartment and instrument for innovation move.

The proposed interstate organizational framework, which should be divided into micro or sub watershed. These micro watershed organizing groups should be formed. These groups are generally local NGOs or educational institutions that have the capacity of organising a network of active subgroups. Jharkhand govt. has Jal-Sahiya at panchayat level and WB has Jalabandhu groups are a grass-root level organization of people coming from different part of the society, includes students, teachers, women, farmers, local decision-makers, and activists. Jal-Sahiya and Jalbandhu Group can be designated as Micro Watershed Corps (MWC). The government organizations like the State Water Investigation Directorate and Geological Survey of India contributed Innovations in the Eco-regional approach to communication material and method.

Toolkit

Development of the tool section requires the errand of specialists involving hydrologists and geologists of the state office, college instructors, NGO coordinators, journalists, and originators. The toolbox incorporates:

Books: Books are significant asset materials for SC. For an unpredictable subject like EH a clear, thorough resource and movement manual can cover half of the undertaking for instructing volunteers. In this proposed program, action manuals could be created as resource book. The books should be focused on grass-root individuals and non-specialists. The book covers subjects like:

- a. Empathetic the basics of water resource and environmentalism.
- b. Modus operandi for checking of water resource and water biodiversity.
- c. Scheduling of water resource (geospatial analysis).
- d. Water planning for domestic purposes.
- e. Distinguishing proof of nearby EH issues and emend.
- f. Planning for the protection of water supplies in an indigenous perspective.

Banners and Posters: Banners and posters are generally excellent SC materials for people, in general, to bring issues to light. A progression of banners & posters with various EH subjects may be planned and disseminated to the MWC for the show in schools, local gatherings and mindfulness programs, beginning from the water cycle to water-related fiascos and biodiversity protection in local languages.

Data collection and reporting forms: The basic proportion of the local area-level capacity building is up to their capacity to quantify and screen hydrological units. The undertaking at grass root level was to recognize hydrological units and gather water observing and other information in endorsed structures.

- 1. Ground water-related information assortment structure.
- 2. Surface water-related information assortment structure and biodiversity register.
- 3. House to house water use and financial overview structure.
- 4. Month to month report structures to be put together by the MWC.

Technology Transfer

Exchange of existing technology should be transfer among MWC followed by workshops in towns and panchayats. State-level workshops granted the essential logical ideas of EH, authoritative system, and strategies for the development of MWC, preparing the procedure for the MWC. All MWC workshops should be coordinated by the 'micro basin bunch coordinators to limit the working of MWC individuals to complete field-level projects for a mindfulness mission and information age on EH. Particular preparation for the natural information age, understanding, and dispersal should be bestowed at the MWC level and conveyed by master geographers, geologists, environmentalists every now and then. A month-to-month

movement plan has been arranged so transient information age like water level, and so forth is substantial. At each period of the program, specialized data sources and master uphold should be provided.

Ground level Action programme

The ground level activity program should involve a progression of exercises that begins with mindfulness building and local area investment. The asset materials and mainstream media of science correspondence should be used. The exercises included are comprehensively:

i) Awareness Programmes/outreach

The mindfulness program thought about the heterogeneity of the partners, the objective local area, geological and financial setting, and language. The mindfulness crusade is assigned to MWCs who spoke with people, nearby clubs, metro bodies, and so on to clarify the study of EH through group meetings and public gatherings. Mass mindfulness is directed through the public gathering, roadshow, banner display, and celebrations. Through this program, general individuals are persuaded to take an interest, share resources, and regularly lead a portion of the field programs.

ii) EH Monitoring

MWC can monitor EH in their localities. This incorporates:

1. An intermittent measure of the level and efficiency of groundwater from selected wells.
2. An intermittent measure by simple techniques of the water volume of lakes and streamflow (if material)
3. Use cadastral guides as base guides to get topical resource maps.
4. Grounding report on status.

iii) Network building and data sharing

At the grass-root level, the MWC fabricated coordination with the Panchayats (state govt.) and other engaged agency through hordes congregations including various partners.

Review of Proposed outcome

While swotting on the protagonist of SC in resource building the response and complementary activities could be taken by the partners, considered as the achievement. The state-level workshops with the MWC should persuade its part to create contacts, distinguish people, develop an organization, and structure of the MWC. MWCs should have the objective partners and has both upward responsibility to give convenient reports and descending responsibility by playing out their depended undertakings.

Information Charts are for the most part evolved by non-specialists on cadastral base guides through local area activities, henceforth are complete, however not cartographically magnificent. The entire program should be restricted by impacts like farming and collecting seasons, celebrations, and different needs of the local area. The most encouraging effect will be that the program has financing support. The Impact of SC under various exercises is given in table 1.

Activities	Target Group	Outcome/ impact
Organisational communication (hich includes motivation campagin through meetings email, phone call etc)	Individuals, educational institute (school, collage, university), scientists, NGO	Distinguishing resource, Establishment of State Level Organisation.
State level workshop	State level agency and interested people	development of asset management (Capacity building of MWC as master trainers to systematise training curriculum on EH, train MWC.
MWC level workshops	MWC	Employee capacity building at grass root level to undertake awareness among the masses of EH and the generation of environmental data.

Group meetings for communicating science and sharing information	Local development practitioners, concerned entities	Sharing of expertise information. Ecohydrological strategic conscious.
Resource mapping and hydrological data generation	MWC members	Pertaining to environmental data and map generation at the grass root stage.
Research is based on primary source, committee event	General public, and MWC	Will enhance the understanding of the role of citizens in the development of EH data on water availability, water usage and conservation.

CONCLUSION

This paper strength the feasibility of a structure that provides an understanding of the viability of frameworks that interface information to activity for manageability through powerful SC. Science, innovation, and information surely can and now and again make generous and fundamental commitments to maintainability across a wide scope of spots and issues. On account of water assets, the most fundamental life uphold, a particular activity can include a huge segment of individuals. Considering the huge topographical degree of Jharkhand, Orissa and WB the exertion is little yet is a replicable model of the utilization of SC to the grass-root level. Engagement of toolkit as resource books will be a significant accomplishment in the information-sharing framework. The activity programs including mindfulness building and house to house study produced proprietorship and inspiration in partaking in different activity programs. Planning and topical spatial and non-spatial information age engaged the local area to partake in the dynamic interaction.

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