Original Research Article

Analysis of Rainfall Probabilities and Crop Planning for different districts of Chhattisgarh

ABASTRACT

Rainfall data of 17 districts in C.G. state has been used in this research to find out the quantity of rainfall at different probability levels through incomplete gamma distribution. Among all the districts Bastar has highest total annual rainfall at 90%, 75% and 50% probability levels amounting 1090.0 mm, 1247.5 mm and 1440.0 mm respectively. Sukma district has highest total annual rainfall at 25% and 10% probability levels amounting 1696.6 mm and 1955.3 mm respectively. Bilaspur district has lowest total annual rainfall at different probability levels of 90% and 75% i.e. 300.8 mm and 542.8 mm respectively. At 50%, 25% and 10% probability levels Kabirdham district has lowest total annual rainfall i.e. 983.1 mm, 1126.4 mm and 1267.0 mm respectively. Mean rainfall is highest in Sukma district 1466.6 mm and lowest in Kabirdham district 996.1 mm. Based on the probability analysis, crop planning strategies have been designed in different districts of C.G. In this, potential crops are identified looking into suitable agro- ecosystem and suitable recommended varieties are suggested for cultivation   in different regions. Only stress is put up for including maize and sugarcane crop in cropping systems.

KEY WORDS: - Probability, rainfall, incomplete gamma distribution, crop planning

1. INTRODUCTION

Around 60% of Indian agriculture is rain-dependent, disaster-prone and climate-vulnerable. In the tropics, climate variability, particularly rainfall, is the most important factor impacting agricultural productivity and sustainability. Drought and heavy precipitation events are becoming more common around the world, posing a threat to ecosystems, particularly agricultural production and productivity. Rainwater management and its utilization is a major focus of current research for rained agriculture's long-term viability. To address the problem, a thorough understanding of rainfall distribution can aid in determining the best times for various agricultural operations and crop planning. Crop planning in a given area is influenced by a

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number of factors, including crop type, climate, soil qualities, geography and socio-economic status. However in rainfed areas, it is mainly dependent upon the magnitude and distribution of rainfall both in space and time. The cultivation of crops, their types and the adoption of cultural activities are all determined by the rainfall pattern. Information about a region's yearly and seasonal rainfall is useful for designing water harvesting structures for agricultural activities, field preparation, seeding, irrigation, fertilizer application and crop planning in general. As a result, the annual and seasonal trend of rainfall and weekly rainfall probabilities are useful for crop planning in a given location.

The weather and its variability are well known to the farming community and have great impact on crop production and have great impact on crop production. Rainfall is one of the most important climatic parameter in crop planning especially in region of rainfed agriculture (Biswal *et al.,* 2019). Bhelawe *et al.,* 2015 analyzed the rainfall data of recent forty three years (1971-2013) through incomplete gamma probability. Tabish *et al.* 2015 computed the observed values were by wei-bull's formula. The maximum rainfall values were estimated by proposed predicted models viz. Gumbel, Log Pearson Type III Log Normal and Gamma. Probability analysis of rainfall offers a better scope for predicting the minimum assured rainfall to help in crop planning in rainfed regions. An attempt has been made to evaluate rainfall distribution patterns i.e. weekly, seasonal and annual rainfall, based on 12 years (2001-2012) data of Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh   (Sinha *et al.,* 2017).

2. MATERIALS AND METHOD

The data required for the rainfall analysis was collected form Department of Agrometeorology IGKV Raipur.

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Table 1.1 Geographical location of selected 17 districts and long term data of rainfall availability.

S.NO.	Districts	Stations	Latitude	Longitude	Database Period
1	Balrampur	Wadrafnagar	23^011'N	83^019'E	2003 - 2019
2	Bastar	Jagdalpur	19^005'N	82^002'E	1980 – 2019
3	Bemetara	Bemetara	21^070'N	$81^0\,53$'E	1960 – 2019
4	Bilaspur	Bilaspur,Kota, Pendra, Pendraroad	22^005'N	82^008'E	1972 – 2019
5	Dantewada	Dantewada	18^053'N	81^021'E	1973 – 2019
6	Gariyaband	Rajim,Deobhog, Gariyaband	20^063'N	82^006'E	1972 – 2019
7	Jashpur	Bagicha, Jaspurnagar, Kunkari	22^083'N	84^014'E	1972 -2019
8	Kabirdham	Kabirdham, Bodla	22^001'N	81^015'E	1963 – 2019
9	Kanker	Kanker	20^016'N	$81^0\,30$'E	1981 – 2019
10	Kondagaon	Kondagaon	23^021'N	82^021'E	1999 – 2019
11	Koriya	Manendragarh	23^015'N	82^034'E	1974 – 2019
12	Korba	Kanki, Korba	22^000'N	82^042'E	1960 – 2019
13	Mungeli	Mungeli	22^005'N	81^068'E	1972 – 2019
14	Rajnandgaon	Ambagarhchowki, Gandai, Khairagarh, Mohala, Rajnandgaon	21^005'N	$81^0\,02$'E	1962 – 2019
15	Sukma	Sukma	18^040'N	81^067'E	1972 – 2019
16	Surajpur	Pratappur	23^022'N	82^085'E	1973 - 2019
17	Surguja	Ambikapur	23^007 'N	83^012'E	1973 – 2019

2.1 Weather cock

Weather cock with version 15 is software developed by Rao *et al*. (2011) under All India Co-ordinated Research Project CRIDA, Hyderabad. It contains various modules such as-data management, data quality, daily data conversions, rainfall analysis, temperature analysis,

length of growing period and water balance. Application under rainfall analysis have been found viz., agricultural drought, meteorological drought, high rainfall events, incomplete gamma probability, initial and conditional probabilities, probability of dry and wet weeks, rainy days etc.

2.2 Rainfall probability

The probability of rainfall enables us to determine the expected rainfall at various chances. Rainfall data of Balrampur, Bastar, Bemetara, Bilaspur, Dantewada, Gariyaband, Jashpur, Kabirdham, Kanker, Kondagaon, Korba, Koriya, Mungeli, Rajnadgaon, Sukma, Surajpur and Surguja districts of Chhattisgarh were used to find weekly rainfall probability. It is estimated for each district separately using WEATHER COCK software which is developed by CRIDA, Hyderabad for weather data analysis.

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2. All data files should be either created in Notepad or as csv file (comma separated values) of excel.

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4. While analyzing data with csv file, if any error occurs then open the. csv file in Notepad and delete all the last commas in every data line.

5. Data for every day Date structure- mm/dd/yyyy.

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The outline deals with research method and procedures are as follow.

2.3 Analysis of weekly rainfall Probability

Weekly rainfall probability was calculated through the model named as "Incomplete Gamma Distribution". Districts wise weekly rainfall data were used to calculate districts wise weekly rainfall quantum at a level of 90%, 75%, 50%, 25% and 10% for a year. Amount of rainfall at five probability levels has been computed for each standard week by fitting Incomplete Gamma Distribution model.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Among all the districts Bastar has highest total annual rainfall through incomplete gamma distribution at 90%, 75% and 50% probability levels amounting 1090.0 mm, 1247.5 mm and 1440.0 mm respectively(Table 1.2). Sukma district has highest total annual rainfall at 25% and 10% probability levels amounting 1696.6 mm and 1955.3 mm respectively. Bilaspur district has lowest total annual rainfall at different probability levels 90% and 75% i.e. 300.8 mm and 542.8 mm respectively. At 50%, 25% and 10% probability levels Kabirdham district has lowest total annual rainfall i.e. 983.1 mm, 1126.4 mm and 1267.0 mm respectively. Mean rainfall is highest in Sukma district 1466.6 mm and lowest in Kabirdham district 996.1mm.

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Table 1.2 Annual rainfall quantum through incomplete gamma distribution at different probability levels for different districts of Chhattisgarh

District	90%	75%	50%	25%	10%	Mean (mm)
Balrampur	780.0	920.3	1095.3	1291.1	1486	1117.2
Bastar	1090.0	1247.5	1440.0	1651.0	1857.7	1459.5
Bemetara	812.0	945.8	1111.1	1294.5	1475.9	1130.1
Bilaspur	300.8	542.8	990.0	1673.7	2520.8	1189.6
Dantewada	990.1	1154.7	1358.3	1584.6	1808.3	1382.2
Gariyaband	901.0	1021.8	1168.3	1328.2	1484.0	1182.0
Jashpur	1052.4	1181.4	1336.8	1505.3	1668.5	1350.2
Kabirdham	745.6	852.6	983.1	1126.4	1267.0	996.1
Kanker	835.5	974.9	1147.5	1339.4	1529.1	1167.7
Kondagaon	940.7	1064.4	1214.2	1377.5	1536.0	1228.0
Korba	868.7	1003.9	1170.1	1353.7	1534.4	1188.2
Koriya	848.0	1005.5	1202.4	1423.6	1644.0	1228.0
Mungeli	793.8	894.4	1015.8	1147.8	1275.9	1026.4
Rajnandgaon	856.0	965.4	1097.6	1241.4	1381.0	1109.3
Surguja	844.8	1037.4	1284.1	1567.4	1854.9	1323.1
Sukma	1019.4	1205.1	1436.8	1696.6	1955.3	1466.6
Surajpur	966.6	1101.6	1266.0	1446.0	1621.8	1282.2

On the basis of study district wise crop planning of three agro-climatic zones are given below. Cropping sequence is proposed in such a way so as to include maize and sugarcane crops in the cropping sequences.

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1. Chhattisgarh plain:-

   Maize – Mustard/ safflower, Maize – chickpea, Maize- vegetable, Sugarcane + Urd/Moong/leafy vegetables

2. Bastar plateau:-

   Maize – Green gram/ Black Gram, Maize – Vegetable, Millets / Niger – Leafy vegetables, Sugarcane + Urd/Moong/leafy vegetables, Rice- maize

3. Northern hills :- Maize - Mustard, Rice – Wheat / Mustard, Sugarcane, Pigeon pea – Vegetable

Table 1.3 Varieties for rainfed and irrigated condition

Rainfed condition	Irrigated condition
Varieties:- Rice: – Indira Barani Dhan-1, Danteswari, Anjali, Samleswari Lathyrus:- Ratan, Pratik, Mahatiwda, Black gram:- Barkha Wheat:- C-306, Lok-1 Soybean:- J.S.-95-60 Maize:- Narmada moti, Vivek sanker makka -1, Vivek sanker-9 Mustard:- Indira Toriya -1 Pigeonpea:- Jagriti, Chhattisgarh Arhar-1, Green gram:- Pusa Vishal Field pea :- Vikash, Indira Mater – 1 Safflower :- Nari – 6, Nari H- 15	Varieties:- Rice:- IGKV R-1, Mahamaya, Badshabhog, Gram:- Pusa subhra, Vaybhav, Indira chana -1 Wheat:-Sujata, G.W.- 322 Maize:-Bio-9544, 900M Gold Soybean:- C.G. Soya-1,J.S.-97-52 Mustard:-Pusa jai kishan, vardan Pigeonpea:- Rajiv Lochan, Asha Sugarcane:- Co-80036, Co- 86032,Co-8014

4. CONCLUSION

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