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Question 1

Q1 (a)

Define "Delta" and duty and derive their relationship in "MCS" and "FPS" systems.

Ans (a)

Duty:-

The term duty means the area of land that can be irrigated with unit volume of irrigation water. Duty represents the irrigating capacity of a unit.

It is the relation between the area

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of a crop irrigated and the quantity of irrigation water required during the entire period of the growth of that crop.

For example :-

If 3 cumecs of water supply is required for a crop sown in an area of 5100 hectares, the duty of irrigation water will be $5100/3 = 1700$ hectares / cumecs, and the discharge of 3 cumecs will be required throughout the base period.

Delta:

It is the total depth of water required by a crop during the entire period the crop is in the field and is denoted by the symbol Δ .

For example:-

If a crop requires about 12 waterings at an interval of 10 days, and a water depth of 10 cm. If the area under the crop is A hectares, the total quantity will be $1.20 \times A = 1.20A$, hectare-meters in a period of 120 days.

Mathematical Relation b/w M.K.S System:

Let,

Depth = D (hectares / cumecs)

Delta = A metres; Base period = B days

By definition:-

One cumec of water flowing continuously for "B" days gives a depth of water "A" over an area of "D" hectares.

Volume of water @ 1 m³/sec in B days =

$$1 \times 24 \times 60 \times 60 \times B = 86400B \text{ m}^3$$
$$= 86400 \text{ m}^2 \text{ m} \text{ --- (i)}$$

As 1 Hectare = 10000 m²

$$1 \text{ m}^2 = 1/10000 \text{ H}$$

Then, eq (i) becomes,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume of water} \\ 1 \text{ m}^3 \text{ sec in "B" days} \\ &= 86400 B \text{ m}^3 \\ &= 86400 B \times 1104 \text{ H-m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume of water } 1 \text{ m}^3 \text{ sec in} \\ \text{"B" days} &= 8.64 \times B \text{ H-m} \\ &\text{---(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Depth of water required} \\ \text{by crop, } A &= \frac{\text{Volume}}{\text{Area}} \\ \Delta &= \frac{8.64 \times B \text{ H-m}}{A} \\ \text{H} &= \frac{8.64 \times B \Delta}{A} \end{aligned}$$

In "F.P.S" System:

Let,

$$\text{Discharge} = D \text{ (litres / secs)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Delta} &= \Delta \text{ feet; Base} \\ \text{period} &= B \text{ days.} \end{aligned}$$

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Def:- One cusec of water flowing continuously for "B" days gives a depth of water "d" over an area of "D" acres.

Volume of water
 $1\text{ft}^3 \text{ sec}$ in one day
 $= 1 \times 24 \times 60 \times 60 = 86400^3$

Volume of water
 $1\text{ft}^3 \text{ sec}$ in B days
 $= 1 \times 24 \times (60) \times 60 = 86400 B \text{ft}^3$
 $= 86400 \text{ft}^2 \text{ft} \quad \text{--- (i)}$

etc, 1 acre = 43560ft^2

$1\text{ft}^2 = 143560 \text{ acre}$

then the equation become.

Volume of water = 1ft^3
 sec in "B" days =

$$= 86400 B \text{ ft}^3 = 86400 B^*$$

$$143560 \text{ Acre-ft}$$

$$= 1.983^* B \text{ Acre-ft}$$

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Depth of water required
by crop, $A = \text{Volume}$
 $\text{area} \times D = 1.983 B \text{ Acre-ft} \times D$

$$\text{Acre} \times A = 1.983 \times B \times D \text{ ft.}$$

Q.1 (b)

If wheat requires
about 9 cm of water
after every 35 days
and the base period or
crop period of wheat
is 140 days. Find out
the delta for wheat?

Ans (b)

Given Data:

Given Data:-

Water requirement of
Wheat = 9 cm

Days Interval = 35 cm

Base period = 140 days

Required:-

Delta of wheat (Δ) = ?

Solution:-

We know that

35 days = 9 cm

And.

140 days = Δ

$$\Delta = \frac{9 \text{ cm} \times 140 \text{ days}}{35 \text{ days}}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1260}{35} \Rightarrow 36 \text{ cm.}$$

Answer:-

Q1 (c)

Explain Indus water treaty?

Indus Water Treaty

The Indus water treaty between India and Pakistan is a water distribution agreement brokered by the World Bank to use the water available in the Indus System of rivers located in India. The Indus System water treaty was signed in Karachi on September 19, 1960 by the first Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and then

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President of Pakistan
Ayub Khan.

According to this agreement, control over the water flowing in three "eastern rivers" of India;

- The Beas
- The Sutlej
- The Ravi with the mean annual flow of 33 million acre-ft was given to India;

While control over the water flowing in three "western rivers" of India;

- The Indus
 - The Chenab
 - The Shelum
- with mean annual flow 80 km³ was given to Pakistan

More controversial, however, were the provisions on how the waters was to be shared. Since Pakistan's rivers receive more water flow from India, the treaty allowed India to use western rivers water for a limited irrigation use and unlimited use for power generation, domestic, industrial and non consumptive uses such as navigation, floating of property, fish culture, etc.

While laying down precise regulations for India to build projects, the preamble of the treaty are recognizing rights &

obligations of each country
in settlement of
optimum water use
from the Indus
System of rivers in
a spirit of goodwill,
friendship and cooperation
contrary to the fears
of Pakistan that
India could potentially
create floods or
droughts in Pakistan,
especially at times of
war since substantial
water inflows of
Indus basin rivers
are from India.

Q1 (d)

Write significance of Duty of crop?

Significance of Duty

It help in designing efficient canal irrigation system. knowing the total available water at the head of the main canal and the overall duty for all the crops required to be irrigated in different seasons of the year, the area which can be irrigated can be worked out.

Inversely if we know the crop area required

to be irrigated and their duties, we can work out the discharge required for designing the canal.

Crop	Duty in hectares/cumecs
Sugar cane	730
Rice	775
Other kharif	1500
Rabi	1800
Perennials	1100
Hot fodder	2200

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Question 2

Q.2 (a)

Explain the factors affecting consumptive use?

Factors :-

1:- Temperature

The rate of consumptive use of water by crops in any particular locality is probably affected more by temperature, which for long-time period is a good measure of solar radiation than by any other factor.

Abnormally low

Temperatures : retarded plant growth and unusually high temperatures may produce dormancy.

2:- Humidity :-

Evaporation and transpiration are accelerated on days of low humidity and slowed during period of high humidity. During period of low relative humidity, greater rate of use of water by vegetation may be expected.

3:- Wind Movement

Evaporation of water

from land and plant surfaces take place more rapidly when there is moving air than under calm air conditions.

4:- Growing Season

The growing season which is tied rather closely to temperature, has a major effect on the seasonal use of water by plants. It is frequently considered to be the period between killing frosts.

5:- Latitude and Sunlight

Although latitude may hardly be called a climatic factor, it does have considerable influence on the rate of consumptive use of water by various plants.

b:- Soil Fertility

If a soil is made more fertile through the application of manure or by some other means, the yields may be expected to increase with an accompanying small increase in use of water.

Q2 (b)

Wheat is to be grown at a certain place. The useful rainfall for the whole season is 10 cm and its cumulative consumptive use is 40 cm. Determine consumptive irrigation requirement and FIR if water application is 80%.

Ans :-

Given Data :-

Useful Rainfall = 10

Water application
efficiency (η_a) = 80%
= 0.8

Cumulative Consumption

$$\text{use } (C_u) = 40 \text{ cm}$$

Required :-

Field Irrigation
requirement (FIR) = ?

Consumptive Irrigation
requirement (CIR) = ?

Sol :-

We know that

By Formula :-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CIR} &= C_u - P_e \\ &= 40 - 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{CIR} = 30$$

2nd Formula :-

$$\text{FIR} = \frac{\text{CIR}}{m_a}$$

$$= \frac{30}{0.8}$$

$$= 37.5 \text{ cm Answer}$$

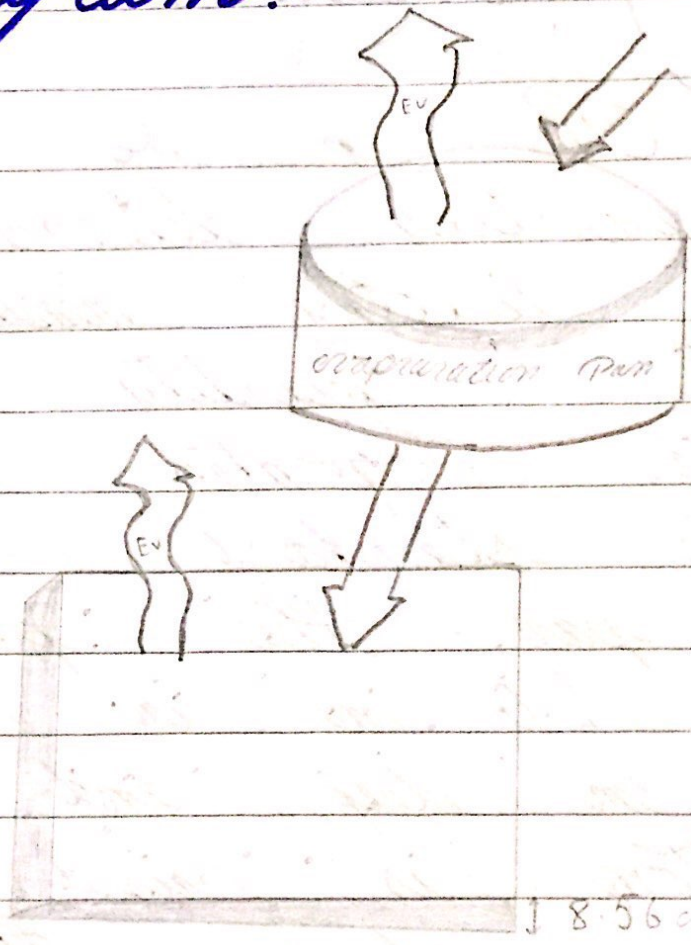
Q2 (c)

Class A Pan Evaporation Measure- ment :-

EP can be experimentally determined by directly measuring the quantity of water evaporated from this standard class A pan. This pan is 1.0 m in diameter 25 cm deep, and the bottom is raised 15 cm above the ground surface. The depth of water is

to be kept in a fixed range such that the water surface is at least 5 cm, and never more than 7.5 cm below the top of Pan.

Diagram:-



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The pan evaporation E_p can also be determined by using the Christiansen formula which states

$$E_p = 0.459 R \cdot C_t \cdot C_w \cdot C_h \cdot C_s \cdot C_e$$

R = extra Terrestrial radiation in the same units as E_p in cm or mm.

C_t = Coefficient for temperature

C_w = Coefficient for wind velocity.

C_h = Coefficient for relative humidity

C_s = Coefficient for percent of possible sunshine.

C_e = Coefficient for elevation.

Q2 (d)

Cropping Seasons

Rabi - 1st October
to 31st March - winter

Kharif - 1st April
to 30st September summer.

Kharif crops:

Rice Bajra
Jowar Maize cotton.

Rabi crops:

Wheat, Barley,
Gram, Mustard, Potatoes.

Kharif Rabi Ratio:-

The area to be
irrigated for rabi crops
generally more than

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that for kharif crops.

This ratio of proposed areas to be irrigated in kharif seasons to

that in Rabi season is called kharif

Rabi ratio. This ratio is generally 1:2. i.e. kharif area is one half of Rabi area.

Question 3

Q3 (a)

Field Capacity

The field capacity is the amount of soil moisture held in the soil after excess water has drained away and the rate of downward movement has decreased. This usually takes place 2-3 days after rain in previous soils of uniform structure and texture.

Q.3 (b.)Permanent Wilting Point

The permanent wilting point is defined as the minimum amount of water in the soil that the plant require not to wilt.

If the soil water content decreases to this or any lower point a plant wilt and can no longer recover its turgidity when placed in a saturated atmosphere for 12 hours.

Q.3 (c)Available Moisture

The difference in moisture content of soil b/w field capacity and permanent wilting is termed the available moisture.

Available moisture can be expressed as percentage moisture P_w , as percentage P_v or as depth d .

Readily Available Moisture

Soil moisture content near the wilting point is not readily available to the plant.

Hence, the term readily available moisture has been used to refer to that portion of the available moisture that is most easily extracted by plants, approximately 75% of the available moisture.

Q3 (d)

Optimum Utilisation of Water

If a crop is sown and produce under absolutely identical condition using different amount of water depth, the yield is found to vary.

The yield increase with water, reaches a certain maximum value & then falls down as - shown fig:-

The quantity of water at which the yield is maximum. is called optimum water depth.

Fig:-

