NUMERICAL MODEL OF MARDAN SCARP DESCRIBING SUBSURFACE DRAINAGE

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ABSTRACT

The un-steady state flow of a fluid in an un-confined aquifer can be approximated by Non-linear partial differential equations. For solving the drainage problem in Mardan SCARP Project area, two dimensional numerical model (CHISTY) was developed, which describes the Rising Water Table case for un-steady state flow toward equally spaced drains above a horizontal impermeable bed in a homogeneous isotropic soil.

Finite Difference equations has been formulated from the governing flow equation and solved by the iterative successive over Relaxation technique. A Digital Computer Programme (SABIR-FTN) was written to solve these equations based upon explicit backward Finite Difference technique. In this program using the field data of Demonstration area of Mardan SCARP, the water table potential at different nodes selected in between the drain of area has been calculated for different months of a year using different recharge values for each month.

Different time intervals were selected and their effect on Rising Water Table has been evaluated. Finally a comparison of observed and computed water table values for different months of a year has been made to find the agreement with the field data.