

# Morphometric and Topographic Study Of Jalna, Aurangabad, Nanded, and Beed Districts in the Marathwada Region And Their Talukas by Software Analysis

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**Abstract** - This study offers an in-depth examination of Marathwada region's morphometric characteristics, specifically focusing on its susceptibility to drought. Using Digital Elevation Models (DEMs) and administrative boundaries, the research generated river networks and assessed various morphometric properties including Elongation Ratio, Form Factor, Circularity Ratio, Relief Ratio, Bifurcation Ratio, Ruggedness Number, Stream Frequency, Drainage Density, Constant Channel of Maintenance, Length of Overland Flow, Drainage Intensity, and Drainage Texture. These metrics were then analyzed to evaluate the district's vulnerability to drought. The results yield significant insights into the hydrological dynamics of the area, aiding in the development of more efficient water management strategies and drought mitigation measures.

**Key Words:** GIS, morphometric analysis, DEM

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This research undertakes a detailed and comprehensive analysis of the topographic and morphometric parameters of four key districts in the Marathwada region - Jalna, Aurangabad, Nanded, and Beed, along with their respective talukas. Leveraging the robust capabilities of Quantum Geographic Information System (QGIS), a wide array of parameters were meticulously derived to gain a deeper understanding of the physical characteristics of these basins.

The parameters studied encompass a broad spectrum, ranging from topographic aspects such as area, perimeter, basin length, maximum and minimum height, topographic position index, terrain ruggedness index, and roughness, to morphometric aspects like stream number, stream order, stream length, bifurcation ratio, and mean stream length. Each of these parameters, derived from rigorous software analysis and mathematical computations, provides valuable insights into the hydrological behavior of the region.

Furthermore, the study delves into areal aspects such as elongation ratio, form factor, circularity ratio, stream frequency, drainage density, constant channel of maintenance, length of overland flow, drainage intensity, drainage texture, and ruggedness number. It also explores relief aspects like slope, relief, and relief ratio. Each of these parameters, carefully calculated and analyzed, contributes to a holistic understanding of the region's geomorphology.

The implications of these parameters are manifold, influencing flood prediction, water resources management, and the assessment of land use changes on the basin's hydrology. This research, therefore, stands as a significant contribution to the field of geomorphology and hydrology, offering a detailed, data-driven examination of the Marathwada region.

The findings of this study have the potential to inform sustainable water management practices and contribute to the region's resilience against climate change impacts. By providing a comprehensive understanding of the region's topography and morphology, this research paves the way for future studies and interventions aimed at enhancing the region's water security and sustainability. This research, therefore, not only contributes to academic knowledge but also has significant practical implications for the region's development and environmental management.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Researchers in hydrology and geomorphology use geospatial techniques for morphometric analysis of river basins, focusing on understanding basin properties for holistic hydrological assessment.

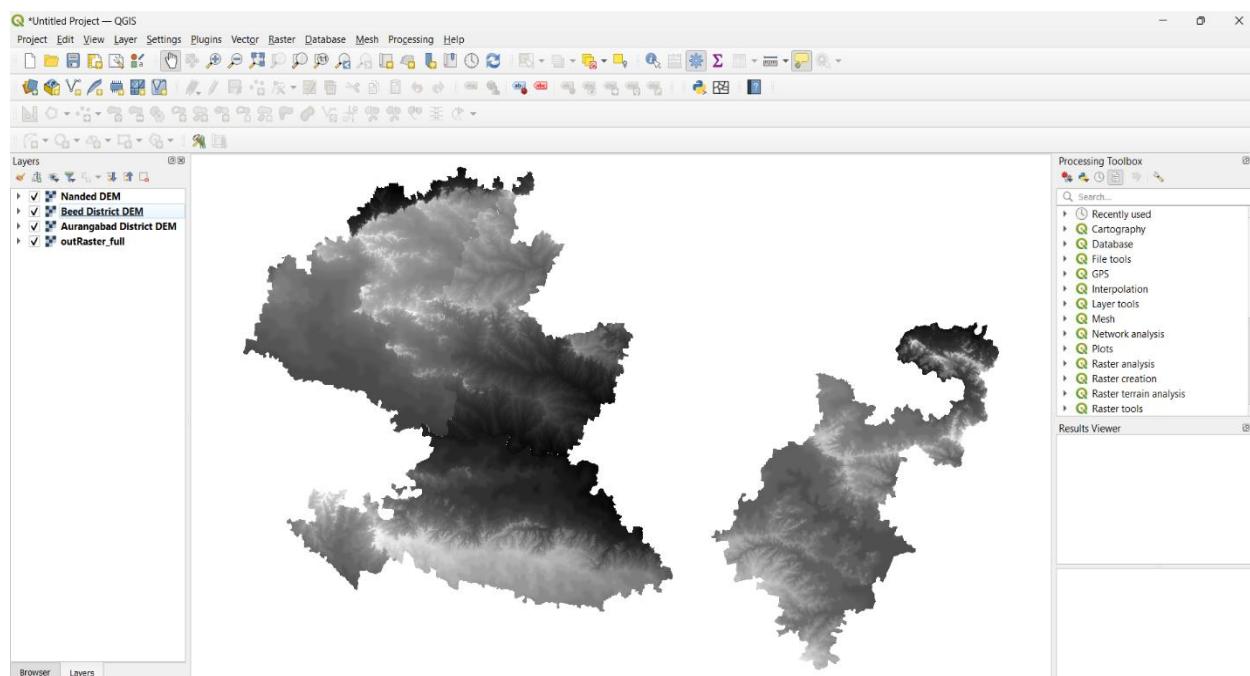
G S Deepa Varghese et al.'s study evaluates groundwater capacity in two coastal Kerala sub-watersheds through morphometric analysis using remote sensing and QGIS. The northern sub-watershed, with higher drainage density, stream frequency, and bifurcation ratio, exhibited greater groundwater potential. The study concludes that remote sensing and GIS effectively assess groundwater potential for resource management and conservation.

Abhishek Jain et al.'s research paper analyzes Kakan Watershed's morphometric characteristics using remote sensing and GIS, emphasizing their role in watershed analysis and conservation. The study highlights the accurate assessment of lithological features and prediction of geomorphic landslides, underscoring the value of morphometric assessment in understanding water behavior in a specific region.

Research by Ramesh Kumar Patel et al., Hazir S. Çadraku, and Abrar Yousuf focuses on morphometric analysis using remote sensing and GIS techniques in different river watersheds, emphasizing the importance of watershed attributes for effective water resource management.

## 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

In this study, researchers combined remote sensing data, GIS software, and morphometric analysis techniques. They utilized Digital Elevation Models (DEMs) obtained from the reliable Open Topography website. These high-resolution models provided detailed terrain information essential for morphometric analysis. Additionally, taluka level administrative boundary data from the Survey of India helped define the study area within Jalna, Aurangabad, Nanded, and Beed Districts. Using QGIS, the DEMs were clipped to obtain specific taluka and district extents. River networks were derived, revealing drainage patterns. Morphometric properties (e.g., Elongation Ratio, Bifurcation Ratio) were calculated, aiding in understanding hydrological behavior and drought vulnerability. The study contributes to effective water resource management.



**Fig -1:** DEMs of Various Talukas of Jalna District in QGIS

## 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Following are the parameters studied in this study:

Topographic Parameters:

- Area (A) (Schumm (1956) [7]): The total surface area of the basin, measured in square kilometers. It is determined through software analysis. Larger areas can contribute to higher runoff volumes.

- Perimeter (P) (Schumm (1956) [7]): The total length of the boundary of the basin, measured in kilometers. It is also determined through software analysis. A larger perimeter can indicate a more irregular shape, which can affect the timing of runoff.
- Basin Length (Lb) (Schumm (1956) [7]): The maximum length of the basin, measured in kilometers. It is determined through software analysis. The length of the basin can influence the time of concentration of runoff.
- Maximum Height (Z): The highest point in the basin, measured in meters. It is determined from a Digital Elevation Model (DEM). Higher elevations can lead to steeper slopes and faster runoff.
- Minimum Height (z): The lowest point in the basin, measured in meters. It is also determined from a DEM. The minimum height can indicate the base level for the basin.
- Topographic Position Index (TPI): A dimensionless measure of a location's elevation relative to its neighbors. It is determined through software analysis. Higher values can indicate hilltops, while lower values can indicate valleys.
- Terrain Ruggedness Index (TRI): A dimensionless measure of terrain roughness. It is determined through software analysis. Higher values can indicate a more rugged or complex terrain.
- Roughness : A dimensionless measure of the variation in elevation in the basin. It is determined through software analysis. Higher values can indicate a more uneven or rugged terrain.

#### Morphometric Parameters:

##### a. Linear Aspects :

- Stream Number (Nu): This is the total number of streams in the basin. It is a dimensionless quantity determined through software analysis. More streams can indicate a more complex drainage network.
- Stream Order (Su) (Strahler (1957) [9]): This is a hierarchical ranking of streams based on their size and tributary relationships, as proposed by Strahler. Higher order streams are typically larger and have more tributaries.
- Stream Length (Lu) (Horton (1932) [2]): This is the total length of all streams in the basin, measured in kilometers. It is calculated as the sum of the lengths of all individual streams ( $Lu_1 + Lu_2 + \dots + Lu_n$ ).
- Bifurcation Ratio (Rb) (Horton (1945) & Strahler (1964) [10-11]): This is a dimensionless measure of the branching pattern of the stream network. A higher bifurcation ratio can indicate a more complex drainage network.  
$$Rb = \frac{Nu}{N(u+1)}$$
- Mean Stream Length (L̄u) (Strahler (1964) [11]): This is the average length of streams in the basin, measured in kilometers. It is calculated as the total stream length divided by the number of streams ( $Lu/Nu$ ). A longer mean stream length can indicate a more elongated basin shape.

##### b. Areal Aspects:

- Elongation Ratio (Re) (Schumm (1956) [7]): This is a dimensionless measure of the shape of the basin. A higher elongation ratio can indicate a more circular basin shape.

$$Re = \frac{2 \times \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}}}{Lb}$$

- Form Factor (Ff) (Horton (1932) [2]): This is a dimensionless measure of the shape of the basin. A higher form factor can indicate a more circular basin shape.

$$Ff = \frac{A}{Lb^2}$$

- Circularity Ratio (Rc) (Miller (1953) & Schumm (1956) [8-7]): This is a dimensionless measure of the roundness of the basin. A higher circularity ratio can indicate a more circular basin shape.

$$Rc = \frac{4\pi A}{P^2}$$

- Stream Frequency (Fs) (Horton (1932) [2]): This is the number of streams per unit area, measured in inverse square kilometers ( $\Sigma Nu/A$ ). A higher stream frequency can indicate a more dense drainage network.
- Drainage Density (D) (Horton (1932) [2]): This is the total length of streams per unit area, measured in kilometers per square kilometer ( $\Sigma Lu/A$ ). A higher drainage density can indicate a more dense drainage network.
- Constant Channel of Maintenance (Schumm (1956) [7]): This is the area required to maintain a unit length of stream channel, measured in square kilometers per kilometer ( $1/D$ ). A lower constant of channel maintenance can indicate a more dense drainage network.
- Length of Overland Flow (Lg) (Horton (1945) [10]): This is the average length of overland flow paths, measured in kilometers . A longer length of overland flow can indicate a slower response to rainfall.

$$Lg = \frac{A}{2\sum Lu}$$

- Drainage Intensity (Di) (Faniran (1968) [13]): This is a measure of the intensity of the drainage network, measured in inverse kilometers ( $Fs/D$ ). A higher drainage intensity can indicate a more dense drainage network.
  - Drainage Texture (Dt) (Horton (1945) [10]): This is a measure of the fineness or coarseness of the drainage pattern, measured in inverse kilometers ( $Nu/P$ ). A higher drainage texture can indicate a more fine-grained drainage pattern.
  - Ruggedness Number (Rn) (Melton (1957) [12]): This is a dimensionless measure of the ruggedness of the terrain. It is calculated as the drainage density times the relief ( $D \times H$ ). A higher ruggedness number can indicate a more rugged terrain.
- c. Relief Aspects:
- Slope (S): This is the steepness of the terrain, measured in square kilometers. It is determined through software analysis. Steeper slopes can lead to faster runoff.
  - Relief (H) (Strahler (1957) [9]): This is the difference in elevation between the highest and lowest points in the basin, measured in meters ( $Z-z$ ). Greater relief can indicate steeper slopes and faster runoff.
  - Relief Ratio (Rh) (Schumm (1956) [7]): This is a dimensionless measure of the steepness of the terrain. It is calculated as the relief divided by the basin length ( $H/L_b$ ). A higher relief ratio can indicate steeper slopes.

**Table -1:** Various parameters of Jalna District

(a)

| Parameters     | A          | P        | Lb      | Re      | Ff       | Rc       | Z        | z   | H   | Rh  | Mean Rb  | D        | Rn       | Lū       | Di       | Dt       | C        | Lg       | Fs       |          |
|----------------|------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----|-----|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Name           |            |          |         |         |          |          |          |     |     |     |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| Jalna District | Partur     | 757.14   | 183.69  | 48.165  | 0.644621 | 0.326361 | 0.281968 | 504 | 397 | 107 | 2.22153  | 124.6009 | 0.035256 | 3.772404 | 0.001167 | 856.6323 | 124.4815 | 28.36387 | 14.18194 | 30.20153 |
|                | Mantha     | 782.327  | 198.322 | 43.885  | 0.719173 | 0.406215 | 0.249952 | 580 | 413 | 167 | 3.8054   | 15.70276 | 0.010809 | 1.805122 | 0.00217  | 460.7237 | 19.64482 | 92.51453 | 46.25726 | 4.980015 |
|                | Jalna      | 1188.99  | 212.122 | 55.004  | 0.707375 | 0.392997 | 0.33206  | 670 | 432 | 238 | 4.326958 | 33.09279 | 0.052159 | 12.41392 | 0.001826 | 547.6569 | 160.1154 | 19.17202 | 9.586012 | 28.56542 |
|                | Jaffarabad | 728.214  | 185.364 | 44.18   | 0.689222 | 0.373085 | 0.266329 | 694 | 512 | 182 | 4.119511 | 69.67383 | 0.007407 | 1.348087 | 0.001705 | 586.3994 | 17.06372 | 135.0061 | 67.50305 | 4.343503 |
|                | Ghanswangi | 1106.977 | 190.901 | 49.939  | 0.751769 | 0.443873 | 0.381709 | 526 | 399 | 127 | 2.543103 | 12.21277 | 0.007805 | 0.991288 | 0.001739 | 574.9725 | 26.02396 | 128.1162 | 64.0581  | 4.487898 |
|                | Bhokaridan | 1206.499 | 276.61  | 59.102  | 0.663157 | 0.3454   | 0.198153 | 728 | 426 | 302 | 5.10981  | 216.2672 | 0.007782 | 2.350171 | 0.001779 | 562.1471 | 19.08102 | 128.5013 | 64.25065 | 4.374641 |
|                | Badnapur   | 757.723  | 194.495 | 44.545  | 0.697287 | 0.381867 | 0.251712 | 748 | 472 | 276 | 6.195982 | 31.72487 | 0.008161 | 2.252443 | 0.001847 | 541.415  | 17.21381 | 122.5336 | 61.26681 | 4.418501 |
|                | Ambad      | 1148.966 | 189.061 | 50.0935 | 0.763532 | 0.457872 | 0.403937 | 624 | 413 | 211 | 4.212123 | 86.41372 | 0.007522 | 1.587181 | 0.001756 | 569.6115 | 26.03921 | 132.9401 | 66.47006 | 4.284722 |
| Jalna District |            | 7676.809 | 712.757 | 142.366 | 0.694447 | 0.378764 | 0.189892 | 748 | 398 | 350 | 2.458452 | 33.09279 | 0.008078 | 2.827467 | 0.001826 | 547.6569 | 47.65158 | 123.7857 | 61.89285 | 4.424234 |

(b)

|                | Parameters     | TRI  |          |          | TPI    |          |       | Roughness |          |     | Slope |          |          |
|----------------|----------------|------|----------|----------|--------|----------|-------|-----------|----------|-----|-------|----------|----------|
|                |                | Name | Min      | Avg      | Max    | Min      | Avg   | Max       | Min      | Avg | Max   | Min      | Avg      |
| Jalna District | Partur         | 0    | 2.852091 | 10.63015 | -3     | -0.00284 | 3.625 | 0         | 2.413952 | 10  | 0     | 2.754997 | 12.60215 |
|                | Mantha         | 0    | 3.527215 | 23.19483 | -4.375 | -0.00015 | 4     | 0         | 3.139491 | 25  | 0     | 3.750856 | 32.16478 |
|                | Jalna          | 0    | 3.789989 | 27.44085 | -5.625 | 0.008369 | 5.375 | 0         | 3.364569 | 28  | 0     | 3.929021 | 36.83593 |
|                | Jaffarabad     | 0    | 3.957906 | 29.74895 | -4.25  | -0.0056  | 4     | 0         | 3.515435 | 29  | 0     | 4.04934  | 40.71655 |
|                | Ghanswangi     | 0    | 2.984117 | 31.06445 | -3     | 0.003602 | 4.125 | 0         | 2.547848 | 34  | 0     | 2.939222 | 43.08193 |
|                | Bhokardan      | 0    | 3.698626 | 71.94442 | -4.125 | -0.00931 | 4.75  | 0         | 3.258273 | 79  | 0     | 3.751231 | 98.88044 |
|                | Badnapur       | 0    | 4.215811 | 33.49627 | -5     | -0.0119  | 5.375 | 0         | 3.822847 | 38  | 0     | 4.525291 | 46.11173 |
|                | Ambad          | 0    | 3.2509   | 38.03945 | -4.25  | 0.00016  | 6.125 | 0         | 2.821007 | 40  | 0     | 3.278312 | 51.01463 |
|                | Jalna District | 0    | 3.519895 | 46.13025 | -8.75  | 0.676446 | 6.625 | 0         | 3.096814 | 48  | 0     | 3.601815 | 63.73862 |

**Table -2:** Various parameters of Aurangabad District  
(a)

|                     | Parameter s |          |         |        |          |          |          |     |        |        |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|---------|--------|----------|----------|----------|-----|--------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                     | Name        | A        | P       | Lb     | Re       | Ff       | Rc       | Z   | z      | H      | Rh       | Mean Rb  | D        | Rn       | Lū       | Di       | Dt       | C        | Lg       | Fs       |
| Aurangabad District | Auran gabad | 1329.932 | 249.913 | 52.46  | 0.784407 | 0.483251 | 0.267585 | 925 | 519.25 | 405.75 | 7.734464 | 349.6709 | 0.923771 | 374.8202 | 0.233876 | 4.275762 | 21.01931 | 1.082519 | 0.54126  | 3.949826 |
|                     | Phula mbri  | 666.82   | 159.033 | 35.457 | 0.821783 | 0.530401 | 0.331317 | 875 | 600    | 275    | 7.755873 | 9.359581 | 0.799927 | 219.9798 | 0.297163 | 3.36516  | 11.28697 | 1.250115 | 0.625057 | 2.691881 |

|                       |          |         |         |          |          |          |         |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Ganga pur             | 1315.494 | 232.776 | 51.883  | 0.788814 | 0.488696 | 0.305086 | 831.52  | 475      | 356.52   | 6.871615 | 20.46784 | 0.242232 | 86.36062 | 1.031246 | 0.969701 | 1.327456 | 4.12827  | 2.064135 | 0.234893 |
| Kanna d               | 1500.118 | 327.399 | 60.19   | 0.726095 | 0.414073 | 0.175865 | 910.94  | 325      | 585.94   | 9.73484  | 22.28395 | 0.124257 | 72.80708 | 0.248865 | 4.01824  | 2.287728 | 8.047843 | 4.023922 | 0.499294 |
| Khuld abad            | 495.269  | 151.71  | 32.127  | 0.781638 | 0.479845 | 0.27041  | 915.819 | 554.56   | 361.259  | 11.24472 | 9.295964 | 1.000656 | 361.4961 | 0.259202 | 3.857997 | 12.60299 | 0.999344 | 0.499672 | 3.860528 |
| Paitha n              | 1419.189 | 279.712 | 57.863  | 0.734639 | 0.423876 | 0.227944 | 775     | 425      | 350      | 6.04877  | 10.90969 | 0.406944 | 142.4303 | 0.597239 | 1.674372 | 3.457127 | 2.457342 | 1.228671 | 0.681375 |
| Sillod                | 1214.824 | 264.368 | 48.387  | 0.812799 | 0.518867 | 0.218427 | 875     | 425      | 450      | 9.300019 | 14.07407 | 0.095671 | 43.05216 | 0.264747 | 3.777189 | 1.660564 | 10.45244 | 5.226218 | 0.361369 |
| Soega on              | 633.451  | 361.402 | 37.273  | 0.761934 | 0.455957 | 0.060946 | 817.138 | 282.15   | 534.988  | 14.35323 | 5.060606 | 0.149843 | 80.16404 | 0.266624 | 3.750606 | 0.985053 | 6.673666 | 3.336833 | 0.562001 |
| Vaijap ur             | 1544.8   | 265.221 | 66.885  | 0.663075 | 0.345314 | 0.275973 | 625     | 475      | 150      | 2.242655 | 11.30757 | 0.400506 | 60.07584 | 0.674701 | 1.482138 | 3.457494 | 2.496844 | 1.248422 | 0.593604 |
| Auran gabad Distri ct | 1012.219 | 878.52  | 136.068 | 0.834327 | 0.546717 | 0.164809 | 925     | 285.6098 | 639.3902 | 4.699049 | 20.66005 | 0.076621 | 48.99082 | 0.260522 | 3.838447 | 3.388654 | 13.05123 | 6.525613 | 0.294106 |

(b)

|                     | Parameters          | TRI  |     |          | TPI      |          |          | Roughness |     |          | Slope    |     |          |          |
|---------------------|---------------------|------|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----|----------|----------|-----|----------|----------|
|                     |                     | Name | Min | Avg      | Max      | Min      | Avg      | Max       | Min | Avg      | Max      | Min | Avg      | Max      |
| Aurangabad District | Aurangabad          |      | 0   | 2.545623 | 40.05883 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 0.519528 | 38.57758 | 0   | 4.643188 | 74.59223 |
|                     | Phulambri           |      | 0   | 1.558637 | 24.86618 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 1.57334  | 25.49286 | 0   | 2.859613 | 48.33992 |
|                     | Gangapur            |      | 0   | 0.23842  | 41.12166 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 0.245023 | 45.99207 | 0   | 0.446622 | 78.94583 |
|                     | Kannad              |      | 0   | 2.797931 | 54.48167 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 2.829362 | 51.65515 | 0   | 5.148088 | 106.9613 |
|                     | Khuldabad           |      | 0   | 2.635734 | 48.94542 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 2.677886 | 52.55383 | 0   | 4.844429 | 91.16573 |
|                     | Paithan             |      | 0   | 0.509931 | 35.8415  | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 0.519528 | 38.57758 | 0   | 0.936859 | 69.8394  |
|                     | Sillod              |      | 0   | 1.590496 | 58.12337 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 1.610906 | 63.7359  | 0   | 2.922817 | 111.0717 |
|                     | Soegaon             |      | 0   | 3.266963 | 49.01715 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 3.30908  | 52.23846 | 0   | 6.002512 | 91.8401  |
|                     | Vaijapur            |      | 0   | 0.312036 | 9.359804 | -4.04456 | -0.00151 | 5.667297  | 0   | 0.318748 | 9.487915 | 0   | 0.58217  | 18.25612 |
|                     | Aurangabad District |      | 0   | 1.572172 | 99.00346 | -6.54742 | -0.00155 | 4.9729    | 0   | 1.591557 | 95.95703 | 0   | 2.886522 | 188.6777 |

Table -3: Various parameters of Nanded District

(a)

|                 | Parameters | A       | P           | Lb         | Re           | Ff           | Rc           | Z           | z           | H           | Rh           | Mean Rb      | D            | Rn           | Lū           | Di           | Dt           | C            | Lg           | Fs           |
|-----------------|------------|---------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                 |            |         |             |            |              |              |              |             |             |             |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Nanded District | Ardhapur   | 293.232 | 130.5<br>26 | 32.0<br>78 | 0.602<br>356 | 0.284<br>968 | 0.216<br>285 | 525         | 350         | 175         | 5.455<br>452 | 14.18<br>878 | 0.205<br>769 | 36.00<br>954 | 0.250<br>365 | 3.994<br>166 | 1.846<br>375 | 4.859<br>823 | 2.429<br>911 | 0.821<br>875 |
|                 | Bhokar     | 666.36  | 145.4<br>95 | 41.7<br>83 | 0.697<br>124 | 0.381<br>689 | 0.395<br>569 | 537.<br>068 | 375         | 162.<br>068 | 3.878<br>802 | 19.95<br>54  | 0.829<br>164 | 134.3<br>81  | 0.238<br>464 | 4.193<br>498 | 15.92<br>495 | 1.206<br>033 | 0.603<br>017 | 3.477<br>099 |
|                 | Biloli     | 583.923 | 131.2<br>31 | 35.0<br>13 | 0.778<br>76  | 0.476<br>318 | 0.426<br>081 | 450         | 350         | 100         | 2.856<br>082 | 40.5<br>692  | 0.351<br>919 | 35.16<br>309 | 0.346<br>598 | 2.887<br>749 | 4.518<br>749 | 2.843<br>398 | 1.421<br>699 | 1.015<br>545 |
|                 | Deglur     | 689.393 | 225.2<br>36 | 51         | 0.580<br>923 | 0.265<br>049 | 0.170<br>766 | 625         | 350         | 275         | 5.392<br>157 | 23.53<br>968 | 0.362<br>583 | 99.71<br>025 | 0.325<br>048 | 3.076<br>468 | 3.414<br>197 | 2.757<br>991 | 1.378<br>996 | 1.115<br>474 |
|                 | Dharamabad | 333.939 | 124.0<br>98 | 30.2<br>9  | 0.680<br>753 | 0.363<br>973 | 0.272<br>488 | 335.        | 89.9<br>067 | 33          | 2.969<br>066 | 5.260<br>417 | 0.175<br>008 | 15.73<br>9   | 0.572<br>961 | 1.745<br>32  | 0.821<br>931 | 5.714<br>024 | 2.857<br>012 | 0.305<br>445 |

|                 |          |          |         |          |          |          |         |        |         |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|--------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Hadgaon         | 1052.799 | 208.622  | 50.877  | 0.719625 | 0.406727 | 0.303973 | 550     | 383.15 | 166.85  | 3.279478 | 19.375   | 0.057663 | 9.621143 | 0.186221 | 5.369968 | 1.562635 | 17.34201 | 8.671007 | 0.309651 |
| Himayatnag      | 484.061  | 138.603  | 36.711  | 0.676253 | 0.359176 | 0.316639 | 525     | 375    | 150     | 4.085969 | 32.04722 | 0.4617   | 69.25501 | 0.242925 | 4.116497 | 6.637663 | 2.165908 | 1.082954 | 1.900587 |
| Kandhar         | 812.742  | 177.049  | 47.113  | 0.682796 | 0.36616  | 0.325818 | 525     | 375    | 150     | 3.183835 | 44.02676 | 0.777676 | 116.6514 | 0.259037 | 3.860454 | 13.7815  | 1.285882 | 0.642941 | 3.002183 |
| Kinwat          | 1531.867 | 330.818  | 77.608  | 0.569061 | 0.254336 | 0.175895 | 625     | 225    | 400     | 5.154108 | 17.40351 | 0.138166 | 55.26642 | 0.201765 | 4.956249 | 3.170928 | 7.237668 | 3.618834 | 0.684785 |
| Loha            | 864.385  | 253.222  | 56.644  | 0.585672 | 0.269401 | 0.1694   | 500     | 350    | 150     | 2.648118 | 21.23989 | 0.526997 | 79.0495  | 0.304294 | 3.286296 | 5.911809 | 1.897545 | 0.948773 | 1.731867 |
| Mahoor          | 519.16   | 126.339  | 35.781  | 0.718544 | 0.405505 | 0.408573 | 593.499 | 250    | 343.499 | 9.600039 | 18.3125  | 0.168528 | 57.8892  | 0.266747 | 3.748871 | 2.59619  | 5.933732 | 2.966866 | 0.63179  |
| Mudkhed         | 339.178  | 108.023  | 27.932  | 0.74399  | 0.434734 | 0.365262 | 500     | 350    | 150     | 5.370185 | 9.546053 | 0.338801 | 50.82022 | 0.340991 | 2.932628 | 3.119706 | 2.951581 | 1.475791 | 0.993579 |
| Mukhed          | 955.655  | 211.064  | 41.158  | 0.847523 | 0.564147 | 0.269577 | 550     | 375    | 175     | 4.251907 | 28.56772 | 0.608878 | 106.5536 | 0.270892 | 3.691502 | 10.17701 | 1.642366 | 0.821183 | 2.247673 |
| Nanded          | 409.274  | 129.722  | 30.655  | 0.744665 | 0.435523 | 0.305631 | 459.033 | 350    | 109.033 | 3.556777 | 10.74405 | 0.366363 | 39.9457  | 0.690982 | 1.447217 | 1.672808 | 2.729531 | 1.364765 | 0.530207 |
| Naigaoan        | 576.352  | 149.556  | 36.449  | 0.743213 | 0.433827 | 0.32381  | 450     | 350    | 100     | 2.743559 | 11.34939 | 0.44008  | 44.00488 | 0.416488 | 2.401031 | 4.072053 | 2.272314 | 1.136157 | 1.056646 |
| Umri            | 420.026  | 136.719  | 28.315  | 0.816726 | 0.523894 | 0.282376 | 500     | 350    | 150     | 5.297545 | 24.29517 | 0.570472 | 85.57077 | 0.307591 | 3.251076 | 5.697818 | 1.752935 | 0.876467 | 1.854647 |
| Nanded District | 10532.35 | 1070.138 | 156.904 | 0.738046 | 0.427816 | 0.115573 | 625     | 225    | 400     | 2.54933  | 92.7994  | 0.067521 | 27.00845 | 0.217213 | 4.603772 | 3.059419 | 14.81018 | 7.405089 | 0.310852 |

(b)

|                 | Parameters |     | TRI      |          |          | TPI      |          |     | Roughness |          |     | Slope    |          |  |
|-----------------|------------|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----|-----------|----------|-----|----------|----------|--|
|                 | Name       | Min | Avg      | Max      | Min      | Avg      | Max      | Min | Avg       | Max      | Min | Avg      | Max      |  |
| Nanded District | Ardhapur   | 0   | 0.45061  | 19.57698 | -3.22141 | -0.00263 | 3.585175 | 0   | 0.460992  | 20.73019 | 0   | 0.822333 | 36.24081 |  |
|                 | Bhokar     | 0   | 1.676947 | 22.22042 | -3.13638 | 0.002973 | 3.650146 | 0   | 1.68778   | 23.7937  | 0   | 3.044998 | 41.22811 |  |
|                 | Biloli     | 0   | 0.676238 | 17.7648  | -2.07031 | -0.00033 | 2.72998  | 0   | 0.685503  | 19.12146 | 0   | 1.242775 | 33.02724 |  |
|                 | Deglur     | 0   | 0.636281 | 9.241772 | -1.17053 | 0.0002   | 1.276428 | 0   | 0.653666  | 10.56036 | 0   | 1.175564 | 17.57597 |  |

|                 |   |          |          |          |          |          |   |          |          |   |          |          |
|-----------------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---|----------|----------|---|----------|----------|
| Dharamabad      | 0 | 0.197848 | 6.082922 | -0.68094 | -9.7E-05 | 0.549469 | 0 | 0.202413 | 4.976685 | 0 | 0.370001 | 11.78624 |
| Hadgaon         | 0 | 1.122073 | 19.49056 | -2.30154 | 0.00099  | 3.028259 | 0 | 1.127008 | 21.39862 | 0 | 2.036141 | 36.48571 |
| Himayatnag      | 0 | 1.005903 | 19.96122 | -2.5498  | 0.000734 | 3.049347 | 0 | 1.01037  | 21.4946  | 0 | 1.81848  | 36.80602 |
| Kandhar         | 0 | 1.517709 | 15.80112 | -1.89066 | 0.000705 | 1.99527  | 0 | 1.542711 | 17.58249 | 0 | 2.779059 | 29.47951 |
| Kinwat          | 0 | 2.884287 | 30.19187 | -4.25214 | -0.00062 | 4.377625 | 0 | 2.904035 | 33.11859 | 0 | 5.252353 | 58.8378  |
| Loha            | 0 | 0.953881 | 18.49559 | -2.20288 | 0.000136 | 2.418121 | 0 | 0.967088 | 19.2363  | 0 | 1.750733 | 35.80736 |
| Mahoor          | 0 | 2.992052 | 27.52614 | -3.54645 | 0.002545 | 5.533325 | 0 | 3.019155 | 31.11472 | 0 | 5.457888 | 51.2065  |
| Mudkhed         | 0 | 0.521402 | 16.30884 | -1.79117 | -0.00109 | 2.878601 | 0 | 0.532636 | 17.26584 | 0 | 0.965734 | 30.46002 |
| Mukhed          | 0 | 1.143754 | 10.75124 | -1.52774 | 0.0024   | 1.717621 | 0 | 1.159551 | 12.38654 | 0 | 2.096186 | 20.24812 |
| Nanded          | 0 | 0.277221 | 14.9984  | -1.28799 | -0.00018 | 2.495911 | 0 | 0.280862 | 15.50009 | 0 | 0.518033 | 28.77366 |
| Naigaon         | 0 | 0.625775 | 13.61186 | -1.55356 | 0.000163 | 1.620209 | 0 | 0.638438 | 14.57156 | 0 | 1.155961 | 26.31985 |
| Umri            | 0 | 1.073709 | 15.31889 | -2.07657 | 0.001507 | 3.155121 | 0 | 1.08731  | 16.96185 | 0 | 1.973552 | 29.64006 |
| Nanded District | 0 | 1.348954 | 28.607   | -4.64655 | -0.00075 | 5.082214 | 0 | 1.362246 | 32.50504 | 0 | 2.463643 | 53.33582 |

**Table -4:** Various parameters of Beed District  
(a)

|               | Parameters |             |         |        |          |          |          |     |     |     |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|---------------|------------|-------------|---------|--------|----------|----------|----------|-----|-----|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|               | Name       | A           | P       | Lb     | Re       | Ff       | Rc       | Z   | z   | H   | Rh       | Mean Rb  | D        | Rn       | Lū       | Di       | Dt       | C        | Lg       | Fs       |
| Beed District | Ambajogai  | 264.862.095 | 264.831 | 50.732 | 0.653056 | 0.334959 | 0.154464 | 700 | 475 | 225 | 4.435071 | 16.92661 | 0.490928 | 110.4589 | 0.216484 | 4.619271 | 7.382066 | 2.036957 | 1.018478 | 2.267732 |
|               | Ashti      | 1472.008    | 331.144 | 58.843 | 0.735725 | 0.425129 | 0.168689 | 875 | 550 | 325 | 5.523172 | 18.64485 | 0.773901 | 251.5177 | 0.259555 | 3.852744 | 13.25405 | 1.292155 | 0.646078 | 2.981641 |
|               | Beed       | 1418.236    | 318.175 | 59.76  | 0.71108  | 0.397125 | 0.176046 | 775 | 450 | 325 | 5.43842  | 13.23534 | 0.566567 | 184.1343 | 0.211343 | 4.731645 | 11.9494  | 1.765016 | 0.882508 | 2.680795 |

|               |              |             |             |              |              |              |         |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Dharur        | 357.1        | 157.<br>275 | 29.0<br>6   | 0.733<br>761 | 0.422<br>862 | 0.18<br>1418 | 75<br>0 | 435.6<br>559 | 314.3<br>441 | 10.81<br>707 | 14.32<br>368 | 0.992<br>313 | 311.9<br>278 | 0.143<br>813 | 6.953<br>479 | 15.66<br>683 | 1.007<br>746 | 0.503<br>873 | 6.900<br>028 |
| Georai        | 1454.10<br>4 | 261.<br>885 | 46.7<br>36  | 0.920<br>664 | 0.665<br>721 | 0.26<br>6431 | 67<br>5 | 425          | 250          | 5.349<br>195 | 85.26<br>807 | 0.342<br>912 | 85.72<br>788 | 0.541<br>988 | 1.845<br>059 | 3.512<br>992 | 2.916<br>204 | 1.458<br>102 | 0.632<br>692 |
| Kaij          | 1184.96<br>7 | 238.<br>266 | 56.2<br>43  | 0.690<br>621 | 0.374<br>601 | 0.26<br>2296 | 75<br>0 | 625          | 125          | 2.222<br>499 | 12.13<br>777 | 0.415<br>602 | 51.95<br>029 | 0.276<br>516 | 3.616<br>427 | 7.474<br>839 | 2.406<br>147 | 1.203<br>073 | 1.502<br>995 |
| Majalgaoan    | 905.882      | 209.<br>082 | 47.2<br>56  | 0.718<br>677 | 0.405<br>656 | 0.26<br>0404 | 47<br>5 | 400          | 75           | 1.587<br>1   | 9.448<br>333 | 0.286<br>955 | 21.52<br>159 | 0.790<br>112 | 1.265<br>643 | 1.573<br>545 | 3.484<br>872 | 1.742<br>436 | 0.363<br>182 |
| Parli         | 781.262      | 265.<br>162 | 51.7<br>39  | 0.609<br>587 | 0.291<br>851 | 0.13<br>9632 | 65<br>0 | 377.0<br>938 | 272.9<br>2   | 5.274<br>938 | 33.16<br>244 | 0.604<br>481 | 164.9<br>749 | 0.203<br>735 | 4.908<br>334 | 8.741<br>826 | 1.654<br>312 | 0.827<br>156 | 2.966<br>994 |
| Patoda        | 768.851      | 242.<br>652 | 47.1<br>11  | 0.664<br>131 | 0.346<br>416 | 0.16<br>4091 | 87<br>5 | 550          | 325          | 6.898<br>601 | 20.90<br>909 | 0.081<br>048 | 26.34<br>067 | 0.129<br>282 | 7.735<br>019 | 1.986<br>384 | 12.33<br>833 | 6.169<br>167 | 0.626<br>91  |
| Shirur        | 646.943      | 237.<br>42  | 38.3<br>14  | 0.749<br>084 | 0.440<br>708 | 0.14<br>4225 | 80<br>0 | 500          | 300          | 7.830<br>036 | 19           | 0.103<br>49  | 31.04<br>694 | 0.223<br>173 | 4.480<br>822 | 1.263<br>584 | 9.662<br>788 | 4.831<br>394 | 0.463<br>719 |
| Wadwani       | 755.851      | 282.<br>673 | 47.5<br>35  | 0.652<br>619 | 0.334<br>51  | 0.11<br>8871 | 72<br>5 | 431.3<br>549 | 293.6<br>451 | 6.177<br>45  | 15.76<br>188 | 0.859<br>123 | 252.2<br>773 | 0.193<br>61  | 5.165<br>014 | 11.86<br>53  | 1.163<br>978 | 0.581<br>989 | 4.437<br>382 |
| Beed District | 10607.3      | 946.<br>217 | 201.<br>159 | 0.577<br>721 | 0.262<br>136 | 0.14<br>8879 | 87<br>5 | 376.9<br>944 | 498.0<br>056 | 2.475<br>681 | 22.33<br>758 | 0.059<br>821 | 29.79<br>123 | 0.173<br>182 | 5.774<br>262 | 3.872<br>262 | 16.71<br>652 | 8.358<br>259 | 0.345<br>423 |

(b)

|               | Parameters    | TRI  |          |          | TPI      |          |          | Roughness |          |          | Slope |          |          |
|---------------|---------------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------|----------|----------|
|               |               | Name | Min      | Avg      | Max      | Min      | Avg      | Max       | Min      | Avg      | Max   | Min      | Avg      |
| Beed District | Ambajogai     | 0    | 23.38857 | 1.067297 | -2.90808 | -0.0002  | 3.653259 | 0         | 1.065221 | 24.474   | 0     | 1.922716 | 43.23098 |
|               | Ashti         | 0    | 28.75503 | 1.666993 | -3.52484 | 0.00125  | 4.348877 | 0         | 1.696389 | 32.32275 | 0     | 3.062889 | 53.22574 |
|               | Beed          | 0    | 27.4079  | 1.420951 | -3.74072 | 0.000797 | 4.473145 | 0         | 1.42417  | 30.31146 | 0     | 2.574525 | 53.46561 |
|               | Dharur        | 0    | 26.07636 | 3.365719 | -3.83435 | -0.0087  | 4.126465 | 0         | 3.330783 | 28.91467 | 0     | 6.003824 | 49.97718 |
|               | Georai        | 0    | 21.98356 | 0.482531 | -1.68561 | 0.000347 | 2.456787 | 0         | 0.494144 | 24.75769 | 0     | 0.893169 | 41.31954 |
|               | Kaij          | 0    | 21.35493 | 0.770313 | -2.88232 | -0.00065 | 3.200256 | 0         | 0.772469 | 23.01355 | 0     | 1.39881  | 41.19627 |
|               | Majalgoan     | 0    | 3.175632 | 0.237826 | -0.46506 | 2.19E-05 | 0.339569 | 0         | 0.244783 | 3.678345 | 0     | 0.446492 | 5.961999 |
|               | Parli         | 0    | 19.93802 | 1.395316 | -2.87372 | 3.095093 | 3.095093 | 0         | 1.397695 | 22.21466 | 0     | 2.526357 | 38.04466 |
|               | Patoda        | 0    | 27.37329 | 2.192213 | -3.76599 | 0.003542 | 4.247986 | 0         | 2.202138 | 28.50812 | 0     | 3.970078 | 53.09391 |
|               | Shirur        | 0    | 22.94627 | 1.808688 | -2.77478 | -0.00165 | 3.042053 | 0         | 1.827823 | 25.50507 | 0     | 3.296707 | 44.35032 |
|               | Wadwani       | 0    | 32.22334 | 2.288701 | -8.23389 | 0.000299 | 4.921631 | 0         | 2.282698 | 30.35712 | 0     | 4.109054 | 56.91376 |
|               | Beed District | 0    | 27.65002 | 1.333749 | -4.92303 | 0.000403 | 5.169495 | 0         | 1.343248 | 31.18036 | 0     | 2.421805 | 51.51793 |

### 3. CONCLUSIONS

Based on above results, following are the conclusions for Jalna district:

1. Jafferabad, having the minimum area and drainage density, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
2. Bhokardan, having the maximum area, circularity ratio, and basin relief, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
3. Partur, having the minimum perimeter, mean TRI, mean roughness, elongation ratio, form factor, basin relief, relief ratio, and stream length, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
4. Badnapur, having the maximum mean TPI, mean TRI, and relief ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
5. Ambad, having the maximum elongation ratio, form factor, and circularity ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
6. Ghansawangi, having the minimum mean bifurcation ratio, ruggedness number, and stream order, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
7. Jalna, having the maximum mean TPI, ruggedness number, stream length, drainage density, and drainage texture, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
8. Mantha, having the minimum drainage intensity, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.

Following are the conclusions for Aurangabad district:

1. Khuldabad, having the minimum area, drainage density, and length of overland flow, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
2. Vaijapur, having the maximum area, elongation ratio, and form factor, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
3. Soegaon, having the maximum perimeter, mean TRI, mean roughness, circularity ratio, relief ratio, and drainage texture, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
4. Gangapur, having the minimum mean TRI, mean roughness, stream frequency, drainage intensity, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
5. Phulambri, having the maximum elongation ratio, form factor, and circularity ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
6. Kannad, having the maximum basin relief, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
7. Ghansawangi, having the minimum mean bifurcation ratio, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
8. Sillod, having the minimum ruggedness number, drainage density, and maximum constant channel of maintenance, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
9. Aurangabad, having the maximum ruggedness number, stream order, stream length, stream frequency, drainage intensity, and drainage texture, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.

Following are the conclusions for Nanded district:

1. Ardhapur, having the minimum area, perimeter, and mean TPI, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
2. Kinwat, having the maximum area, elongation ratio, form factor, and basin relief, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
3. Mudkhed, having the maximum perimeter, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
4. Bhokar, having the maximum mean TPI, ruggedness number, and drainage texture, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
5. Dharamabad, having the minimum mean TRI, mean roughness, stream frequency, mean bifurcation ratio, and drainage texture, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
6. Mahoor, having the maximum mean TRI, mean roughness, and relief ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
7. Mukhed, having the maximum elongation ratio and form factor, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
8. Loha, having the minimum circularity ratio and relief ratio, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
9. Biloli, having the maximum circularity ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
10. Kinwat, having the maximum basin relief and minimum stream order, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.

11. Kandhar, having the maximum mean bifurcation ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
12. Hadgaon, having the minimum ruggedness number, stream order, stream length, drainage density, and maximum length of overland flow, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
13. Nanded, having the maximum stream length and minimum drainage intensity, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
14. Bhokar, having the maximum stream frequency, drainage density, drainage texture, and minimum constant channel of maintenance, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.

Following are the conclusions for Beed district:

1. Dharur, having the minimum area, perimeter, mean TPI, mean roughness, constant channel of maintenance, and length of overland flow, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
2. Ashti, having the maximum area, perimeter, and basin relief, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
3. Parli, having the maximum mean TPI, elongation ratio, form factor, and circularity ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
4. Majalgoan, having the minimum mean TRI, mean roughness, basin relief, relief ratio, mean bifurcation ratio, ruggedness number, stream frequency, drainage intensity, and drainage texture, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
5. Wadwani, having the maximum mean TRI and minimum circularity ratio, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
6. Georai, having the maximum elongation ratio, form factor, and mean bifurcation ratio, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
7. Beed and Patoda, having the maximum basin relief, are likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
8. Dharur, having the maximum relief ratio, ruggedness number, stream frequency, drainage density, drainage texture, and minimum length of overland flow, is likely to have quicker drainage and thus, higher drought risk.
9. Patoda, having the minimum stream length, drainage density, and maximum constant channel of maintenance, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.
10. Shirur, having the minimum drainage texture, is likely to have higher water retention and thus, lower drought risk.

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