

A Study of Disaster Management & Geotechnical Investigation of Landslides: A Review

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Abstract - This paper deals with several aspects of the assessment of hazard and risk of land sliding. In recent years the interest in this topic has increased greatly and there are many technical papers dealing with this subject in the literature. Landslide is the phenomena of sliding of upper loose soil surface over another soil surface. Landslide study includes geological and Geotechnical properties of soil before and after landslide. Slope failures are common geo hazards in the near Panhala fort region during monsoon period. Mainly excess rainfall triggered the land slide, which directly affected on geotechnical properties of soil. The paper discusses the geological, geotechnical investigation of the area. The area is still failure prone and may fail as number potential failure surfaces exist in the site. The Geotechnical analysis of the slopes was carried out to identify the type of failure happened on the slope and to examine whether the chances of the profile to failure still exists in the site. The results showed that the hill slope was unstable with factor of safety less than one and which is prone to failure. This study provides a technically viable solution method to avoid such disaster in same topographical features. Angle of internal friction (ϕ), plastic limit, liquid limit and plasticity index of the samples were determined in the Geo-technical laboratory.

Key Words: Landslide, Geotechnical analysis, Geomorphology, Natural Hazards, Rainfall Interference.

1. INTRODUCTION

Human settlements and their subsequent developmental activities, especially in the urban and Semi-Urban areas, are drastically changing the landforms and thereby disturbing the original drainage pattern. The changed drainage pattern could be the primary cause for the failure of the soil masses located beneath the natural soil slopes. The result generally is called 'land slide'. Landslide is a common natural disaster often in hilly terrain, which causes huge loss of natural resources and human life. It is mainly attributed by natural factors, such as earthquakes and rainfall occurred on these regions. A sudden downward movement of the consolidated, unconsolidated soils, and rock matter from a geomorphic feature due to natural and man-made activities leads to landslide. Such movement can occur in many ways, it can be a fall, topple, slide, spread, or flow. The hypothesis for land slide was

rainwater infiltration decreases metrics suction (i.e., negative pore water pressure) in the soil, which results in decrease of shear strength and trigger the landslide phenomenon in hilly terrain. Slope stability analysis is essentially a problem of optimization namely the determination of the slip surface that yields minimum factor of safety.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

[1] Chetan R. Shah, Sandip S. Sathe (2021): The authors did their work on Landslide catastrophe happen on 30 July 2014 has buried almost 140 peoples under a loose soil mass in Malingaon village of Pune district, Maharashtra, India. Soil samples from a hill slope section were collected (viz. bottom, middle, and top) for determination of the soil properties and slope stability. Mainly excess rainfall triggered the land slide, which directly affected on geotechnical properties of soil. The results showed that the hill slope was unstable with factor of safety less than one and which is prone to failure. The land use and land cover map (viz. before and after of land slide) analysis have inferred that the hill slope was unstable. The unscientific way of agriculture practices method and conversion of non-agricultural land into agricultural usage was the major cause for land slide in the study area. This study provides a technically viable solution method to avoid such disaster in same topographical features.

[2] Mr. Jayesh B. Patil & Dr. A. B. Landage (2021): In this paper the authors concluded that the Landslides are one of the most dangerous natural hazards in hilly terrain. The region around a previous landslide in Patan, Satara district, Maharashtra, has been chosen as the research location. Landsat8, Google Earth, Google Maps, and other satellite images, as well as Survey of India (SOI) topographical sheets, serve as the foundation for obtaining baseline information on different metrics such as NDVI slope, relative relief, drainage density, and geology/lithology. The purpose of this research is to understand the importance of mapping geological ligaments and landscape characteristics including streams, slope, and aspect. Rainfall is one of the primary causes of landslides. Any corrective action must include one or both of the following characteristics. Thus, landslide hotspots are identified using GIS and remote sensing. Landslide

Hazard Zonation (LHZ) scenario map of the study area, Results from recent study focused on identification of critical LHZ in the Patan and surroundings area, Satara dist. This also highlights the importance of multidisciplinary studies of landslides hazards, combining subjects as diverse as geology and geomorphology, RS and GIS. Following specific conclusions are drawn from the study: 1. The area is classified into four parts a. Low b. medium c. High d. Very high 2. Most of the identified hotspot are on the steep slope at hilly Regions. 3. The analysis done on the satellite image LANDSAT-8 dated in February 2021 and analysis done in the month of June 2021 we got the information about the various landslides occurred in Patan taluka in month of August 2021 so that we visited the Landslide location, the location of spots identified, and actual location of landslide are matched. 4. Thus in this present work we can identify the probability locations of the landslides with the use of various maps in the Arc-GIS software.

[3] Sachin Verma & Vidya S Khanduri (2019): This paper concludes that the State of Himachal Pradesh in India suffer from various natural and manmade hazard. Although there are many hazards consists of earthquake, snow, storm, dam failure but landslide is one of main hazard in state which occur mostly at monsoon season. Aim of current study is to understanding current state of knowledge in term of managing landslide hazard at Himachal Pradesh. State has well establish policy of managing the disaster of landslide in the state. It is observed that various use of GIS in preparing landslide susceptibility zonation map is main prevention technique whereas geotechnical investigation of soil to help in understand mechanism of failure it also helps to deciding possible mitigation technique possible failure slope. Use software like plaxis 2d is found highly effective to analysing slops and effectivity of solution.

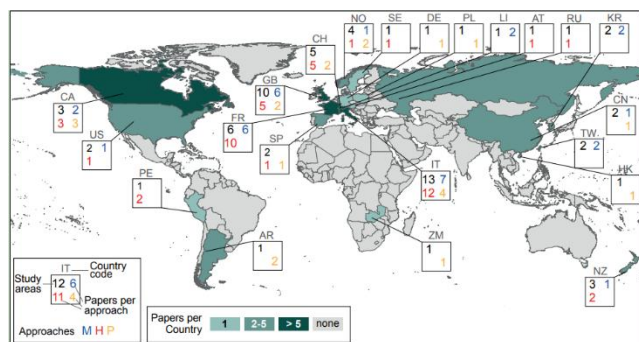
[4] Paola Reichenbach & Mauro Rossia et al. (2018): In this paper, they do a critical review of statistical methods for landslide susceptibility modelling and associated terrain zonation's. Landslide susceptibility is the likelihood of a landslide occurring in an area depending on local terrain conditions, estimating "where" landslides are likely to occur. Since the first attempts to assess landslide susceptibility in the mid-1970s, hundreds of papers have been published using a variety of approaches and methods in different geological and climatic settings. Here, they critically review the statistically based landslide susceptibility assessment literature by systematically searching for and then compiling an extensive database of 565 peer-review articles from 1983 to 2016. They present graphical visualisations and discussions of commonalities and differences found as a function of region and time, revealing a significant heterogeneity of thematic data types and scales, modelling approaches, and model

evaluation criteria. They found that the range of thematic data types used for susceptibility assessment has not changed significantly with time, and that for several studies the geomorphological significance of the thematic data used is poorly justified. They also found that the most common statistical methods for landslide susceptibility modelling include logistic regression, neural network analysis, data-overlay, index-based and weight of evidence analyses, with an increasing preference towards machine learning methods in the recent years. Adopting a Susceptibility Quality Level index, they found that the quality of published models has improved over the years, but top-quality assessments remain rare. They identified a clear geographical bias in susceptibility study locations, with many studies in China, India, Italy, and Turkey, and only a few in Africa, South America, and Oceania. Based on previous literature reviews, the analysis of the information collected in the literature database, and our own experience on the subject, we provide recommendations for the preparation, evaluation, and use of landslide susceptibility models and associated terrain zonation's.

[5] Dattatraya J. Khamkar, Sumedh Y. Mhaske, Pandurang D. Sabale (2018): The authors described the problem of the landslide is severe in Western ghat of Maharashtra mostly due to the topography, human interference, heavy rainfall etc. Upland region of Deccan Volcanic Provinces (DVP) is considered as a most vulnerable region for landslides activity in the Maharashtra state of India. The area shows thick flows of the Deccan Trap basalt of Upper Cretaceous to Eocene age. State Highway -70 is the lifeline of the Pune District and Raigarh District of Konkan. The part of the highway between Bhore and Mahad is highly landslide prone and frequently blocked during the rainy season. A detailed exploration was carried out along the road section started from Bhore city, and it extended up to the Mahad, in Konkan region. Paper discusses the geological, geotechnical investigation of the area. The remedial measures are suggested to minimize the severity of landslide. The total topography of the slope is such that the drain flowing almost through the middle of the slope can carry considerable debris. However, the overall condition of the slope is such that it may not fail unless there is some major triggering factor. The highway has deep cut along its route with mostly untreated, unsafe slopes and presence extreme climatic conditions. Another important is that a lot of construction activities day to day are going on in the hilly terrain, which is partially responsible to cause the jerk in the rock along the road cutting section. Such activities help for the movements of loose material towards the sloppy area. For the prevention of such mass movements, there is need of ground improvement techniques for the stability of slopes. As it is a highly vulnerable region especially in a rainy season as per as the mass movements are concerned. The slope

material has considerable silts, and the permeability was found to be of the order of 10-6 cm/sec. As a result, due to heavy rain continued for a couple of days it is expected that pore pressure on the slope may rise and could trigger the local slip. The material dislodged due to local slips may get deposited into the drain making partially blockage of the flow. Under such condition the subsequent damage downstream of the slope will be even larger.

[6] Stefano Luigi Gariano & Fausto Guzzetti (2016): According to the 5th report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), “warming of the climate system is unequivocal”. The influence of climate changes (CC) on slope stability and landslides is also undisputable. Nevertheless, the quantitative evaluation of the impact of global warming, and the related changes in climate, on landslides remains a complex question to be solved. The evidence that climate and landslides act at only partially overlapping spatial and temporal scales complicates the evaluation. We analysed more than 100 papers dealing with the effects and the consequences of CC and landslides published since 1983 (Gariano and Guzzetti, 2016). The study of the impacts of CC on landslides is attempted adopting modelling, empirical, or combined approaches. Two groups of empirical approaches can be singled out. A first empirical approach (namely historical analysis) compares catalogues of historical landslide occurrences with climatic records, chiefly rainfall, and temperature, covering a few to many decades, typically in the last two centuries. A second empirical approach exploits paleo-environmental data to reconstruct records of ancient landslides and to analyse periods of increased/decreased landslide active.



Geographical distribution of landslide-climate studies. For each country, the number of study areas and the number of papers for three different approaches are given. Approaches: M, modelling approach; H, historical analysis; P, analysis of paleo landslide evidence. Five continents are represented, with many studies in Europe (69), followed by North America (10), Asia (7), South America (4), Oceania (3), and Africa (1). The Alps are the most investigated physiographic area.

[7] G. Shanmugam (2015): In this journal the author explained that the synonymous use of the general term “landslide”, with a built-in reference to a sliding motion, for all varieties of mass-transport deposits (MTD), which include slides, slumps, debrites, topples, creeps, debris avalanches etc. in subaerial, sub lacustrine, submarine, and extra-terrestrial environments have created a multitude of conceptual and nomenclatural problems. In addition, concepts of triggers and long-runout mechanisms of mass movements are loosely applied without rigor. These problems have enormous implications for studies in process sedimentology, sequence stratigraphy, palaeogeography, petroleum geology, and engineering geology. Therefore, the objective of this critical review is to identify key problems and to provide conceptual clarity and possible solutions. This profligate period of “kicking the can down the road” must end now. Only slides, slumps, and debrites can be meaningfully interpreted in the sedimentary record. Therefore, the term “landslide” should be restricted solely to MTD in which a sliding motion can be empirically determined. A precise interpretation of a depositional facies (e.g., sandy slide vs. sandy debrite) is vital not only for maintaining conceptual clarity but also for characterizing petroleum reservoirs. Clarity matters in science.

[8] Shrikant Karlekar (2012): The author introduces the identification, mapping and monitoring of land sliding susceptible zones helps in the mitigation of landslides as well as in rehabilitation of affected people. This paper aims at preparing a landslide susceptibility zonation map of the Raigad district of Maharashtra using multivariate analysis. The morphology of slope failure clearly reflects the processes and causative factors behind the occurrence of landslides. Thus, various hillslope form attributes such as total ground length covered by the landslide, surface irregularity and crest curvature of the landslide scar have been estimated for all the landslides reported from western ghat and Konkan region of Raigad. These attributes subsequently were used to derive landslide form attributes such as dilation index, tenuity index, displacement index etc. Finally, a landslide susceptibility zone map has been prepared based on the estimated susceptibility index. It can be seen from the map that the western ghat foot hill spurs and hilltops in the south-eastern part of the district are prone to landslides. The coastal lateritic areas to the south are relatively more susceptible than northern coastal areas covered by basalt flows of aa type. The northern and north-eastern hilly regions of the district covered by pahoehoe flows also show more than 52% susceptibility to landslides. The landslides in Raigad district of Maharashtra are the result of instability of slopes created by deforestation, road cutting and increase in the water content of weathered rocks and decrease in lateral support. The landslides in

coastal areas show slightly more dilation than those in the Sahyadri's. The displacement index is however more in case of landslides in the Sahyadri's.

[9] Highland & Bobrowsky et al. (2008): They stated that the downward movement of slope-forming materials under the influence of gravity which can be considered as a high negatively impacting geological hazard on the socio-economic conditions (Baum & Godt, 2010; Petley, 2012). Rainfall is the most common triggering mechanism of landslides (Song, Chae, & Lee, 2016; Tu, Kwong, Dai, Tham, & Min, 2009), hence it is of prime importance to develop real-time warning systems to manage risk and minimize the impact of landslides triggered by rainfall. However, the state of knowledge and resources available to issue real-time warnings of rain-induced landslides varies across the globe. Existing warning systems against rainfall-induced landslides are based on rainfall threshold for an area or deformation of a slope, in which only the latter is based on the characteristics of a slope such as geometry, rainfall infiltration characteristics, and mechanical characteristics of the slope (Sasahara, 2017), which varies more spatially. Therefore, this study set out to investigate the usefulness of such physical parameters in producing a real-time warning for rain-induced individual landslides.

[10] Keller and Blodgett (2004): They explained that Study the physical variables as slope and hydrology network is important to understand the landslides effects in the landscape and a comparison between areas with landslides and without landslides could be significant to explain the consequences of this geomorphological element. Therefore, this research is focused in explain the landslides processes in Tenerife and El Hierro studying the characteristics, effects and consequences in the landscape, and determinate if landslides are the predominant geomorphological element in the landscape. In conclusion, landslides by themselves cannot be considered the main factor in the geomorphology of the Tenerife and El Hierro, but this geomorphological element combined with land movements (uplift and subsidence) and volcanic activity, are the three factors that are shaping the landscape in both islands, considering the volcanism the main agent in the origin of the landslides and in the post-landslide's events.

[11] Oliver Korup (2002): This review takes a critical look at recent trends and developments in international and New Zealand-based research on landslide dams. Temporary or permanent stream blockages by mass movements commonly occur in steep terrain, and gradually receive more attention and awareness with increasing population and land use pressure in upland regions. This review of recent literature on landslide dams is an attempt to appreciate the current state of knowledge and to elucidate several directions of future research

potential. Since much of the previous work is scattered in local case studies, organizational means to overcome this shortcoming have seen increasing integration of information into large high-quality databases. This is an essential step towards future conclusions and interpretations. Hopefully it will overcome the difficulties presented by the wealth of existing, mostly descriptive data. Current research problems are basically inherent in the often transient and event-type character of landslide-dam formation occurring over geo(morpho)logical timescales, a characteristic that, for instance, seriously restricts process-based studies of dam failures. A major uncertainty in this regard is the lack of both theoretical and empirical data on the longevity or local residence time of landslide dams and their associated landforms. The few existing morpho chronological models of stream impoundments by mass movements are but a starting point for assessing the long-term impact of these phenomena regarding concepts such as those of channel-hillslope coupling or landscape sensitivity (e.g., Brunsdén, 2001). With a view to clarifying or navigating the many black and grey boxes in present knowledge by devising new and creative methodologies, the following possible research directions deserve special attention in the future.

[12] P. Aleotti & R. Chowdhury (1999): This paper deals with several aspects of the assessment of hazard and risk of land sliding. In recent years the interest in this topic has increased greatly and there are many technical papers dealing with this subject in the literature. This article presents a summary review and a classification of the main approaches that have been developed world-wide. The first step is the subdivision between qualitative and quantitative methods. The first group is mainly based on the site-specific experience of experts with the susceptibility/hazard determined directly in the field or by combining different index maps. The approaches of the second group are formally more rigorous. It is possible to distinguish between statistical analyses (bivariate or multivariate) and deterministic methods that involve the analysis of specific sites or slopes based on geo-engineering models. Such analyses can be deterministic or probabilistic. Among the quantitative methods discussed is the Neural Networks approach which has only recently been applied to engineering geology problems. Finally, several considerations concerning the concept of acceptable risk and risk management are presented.

3. CONCLUSIONS

This paper is done to understand and manage landslide hazard at Panhala region. Following conclusions are drawn:

* Hill slope monitoring is essential to avoid such landslide near habitants' area.

* Soil erosion is also the causative factor; this can be reduced by increasing the vegetative growth on the sloping areas.

* The main cause for hill slope failure was an improper drainage system at the top and middle part of the hill, which have created a more pore water pressure in respective sections

* Mitigatory measures to be adopted are drainage correction, proper land use, reforestation, and creation of awareness among local people.

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