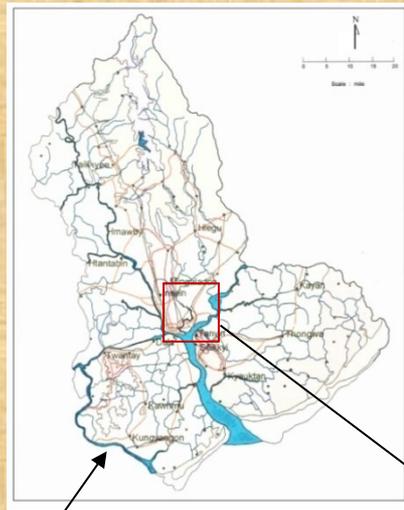


ASSESSMENT OF GROUNDWATER VULNERABILITY IN YANGON CITY, MYANMAR

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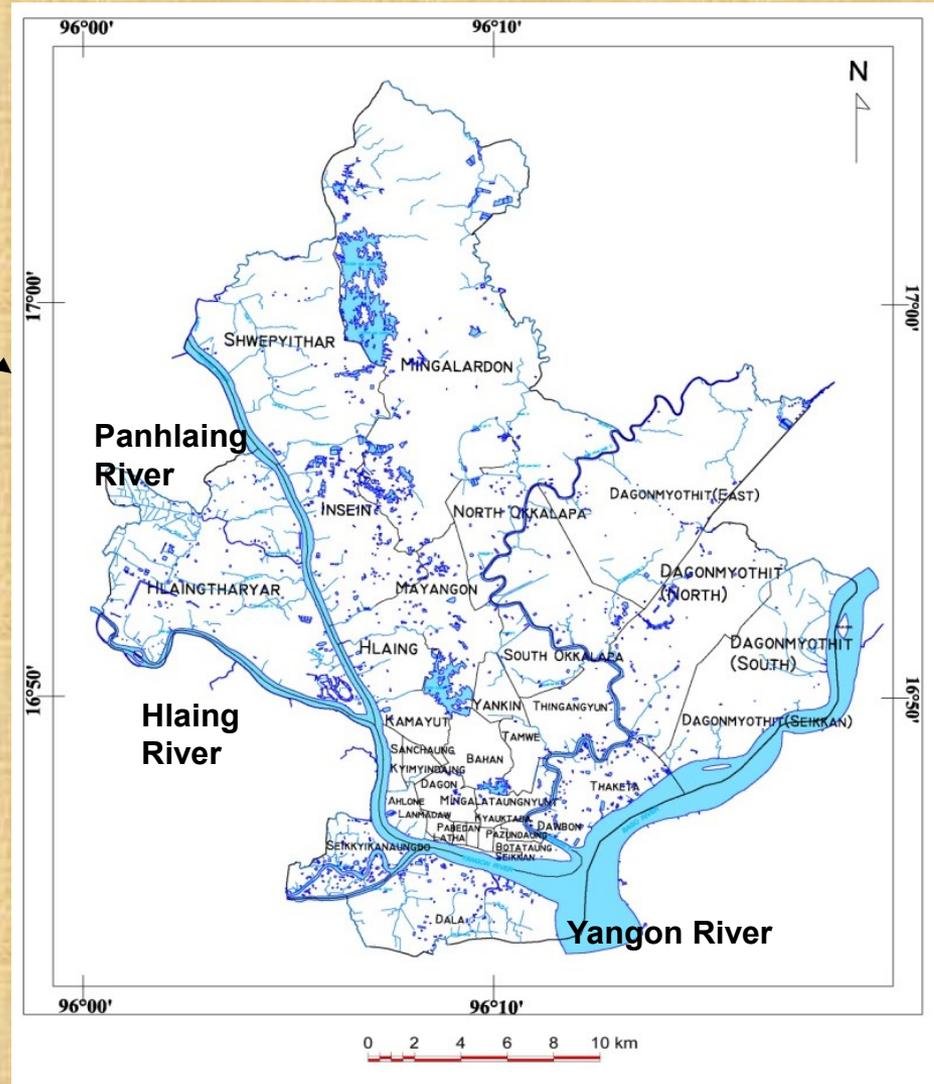
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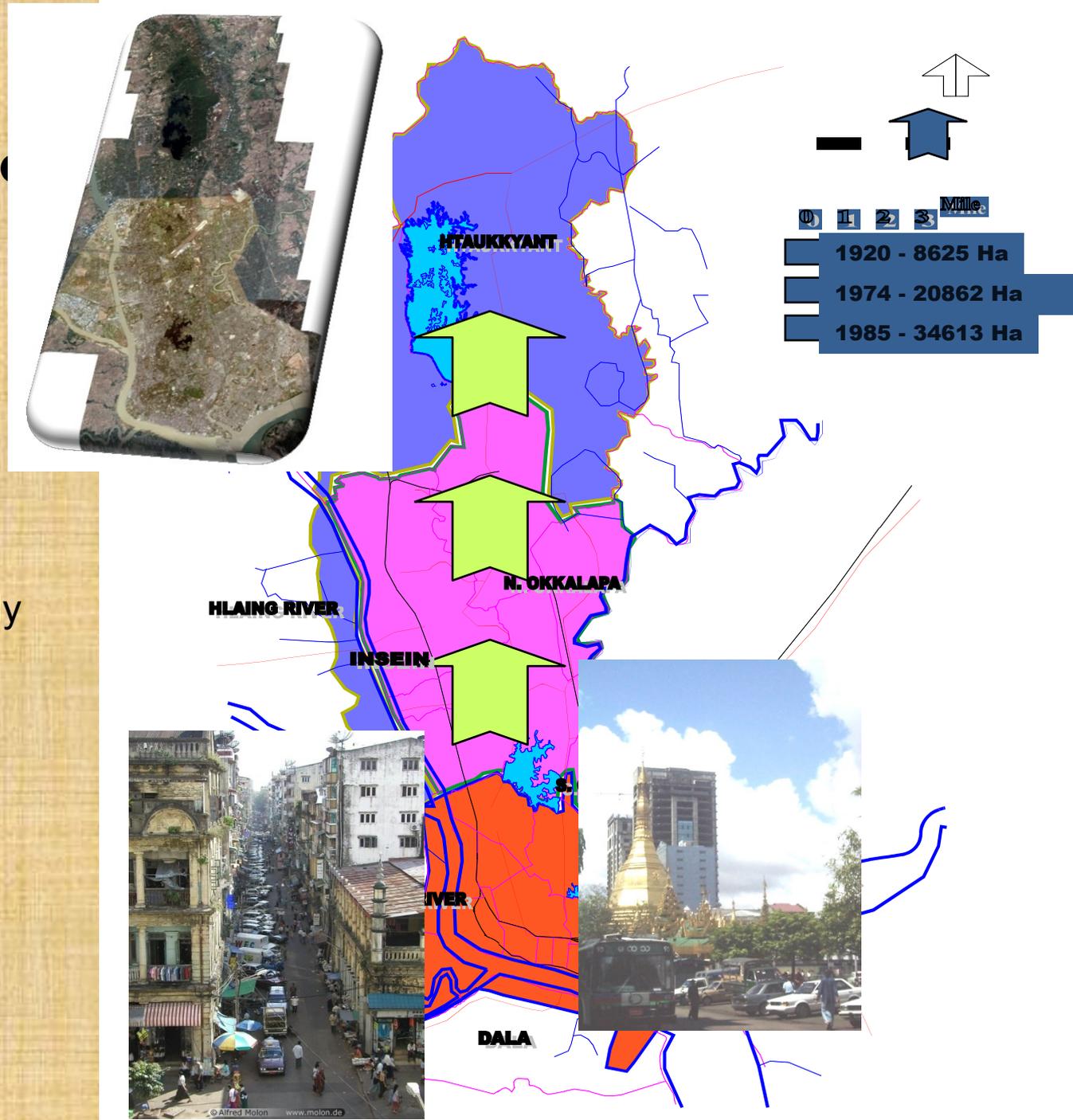
YCDC Area



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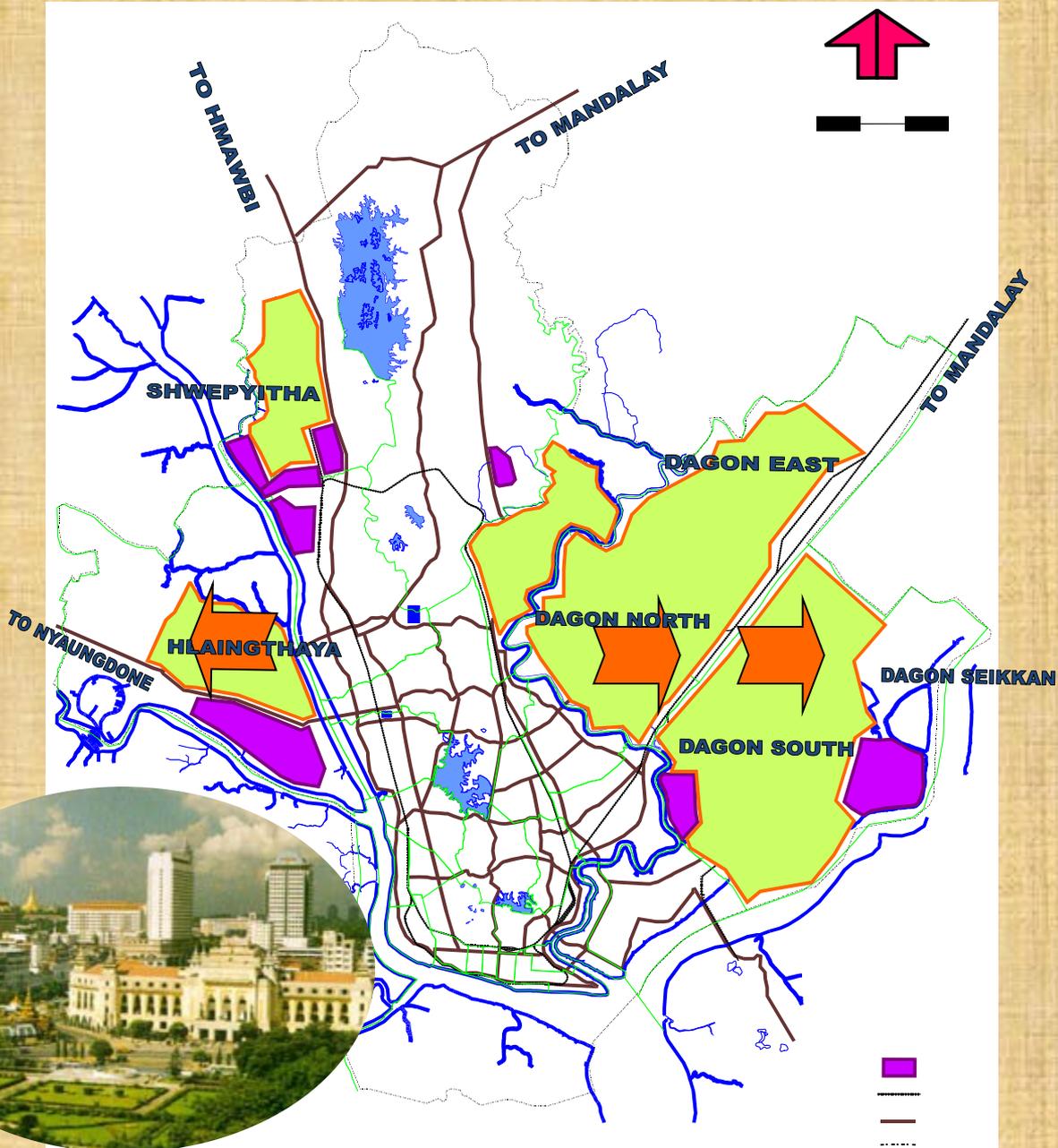
It had expanded gradually
in N-S direction in 1960s
and 1980s

Source: Hlaing Maw Oo, 2007



URBAN PLANNING HISTORY OF YANGON

- rapidly in E-W direction . developing new suburbs in 1990s through the present time.
- in an attempt to balance the elongated south to north growth of the city limits, development of new towns in the east and west



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Types of water resources in Yangon area

1. Surface water

Reservoirs

- Gyobyu (started from 1940)
- Hlawga (started from 1906)
- Phugyi (started from 1992)
- Ngamoeyeik (started from 2007)

Lakes and ponds

- Kandawgyi Lake (1879-1906)
- Innya Lake (1884-1906)

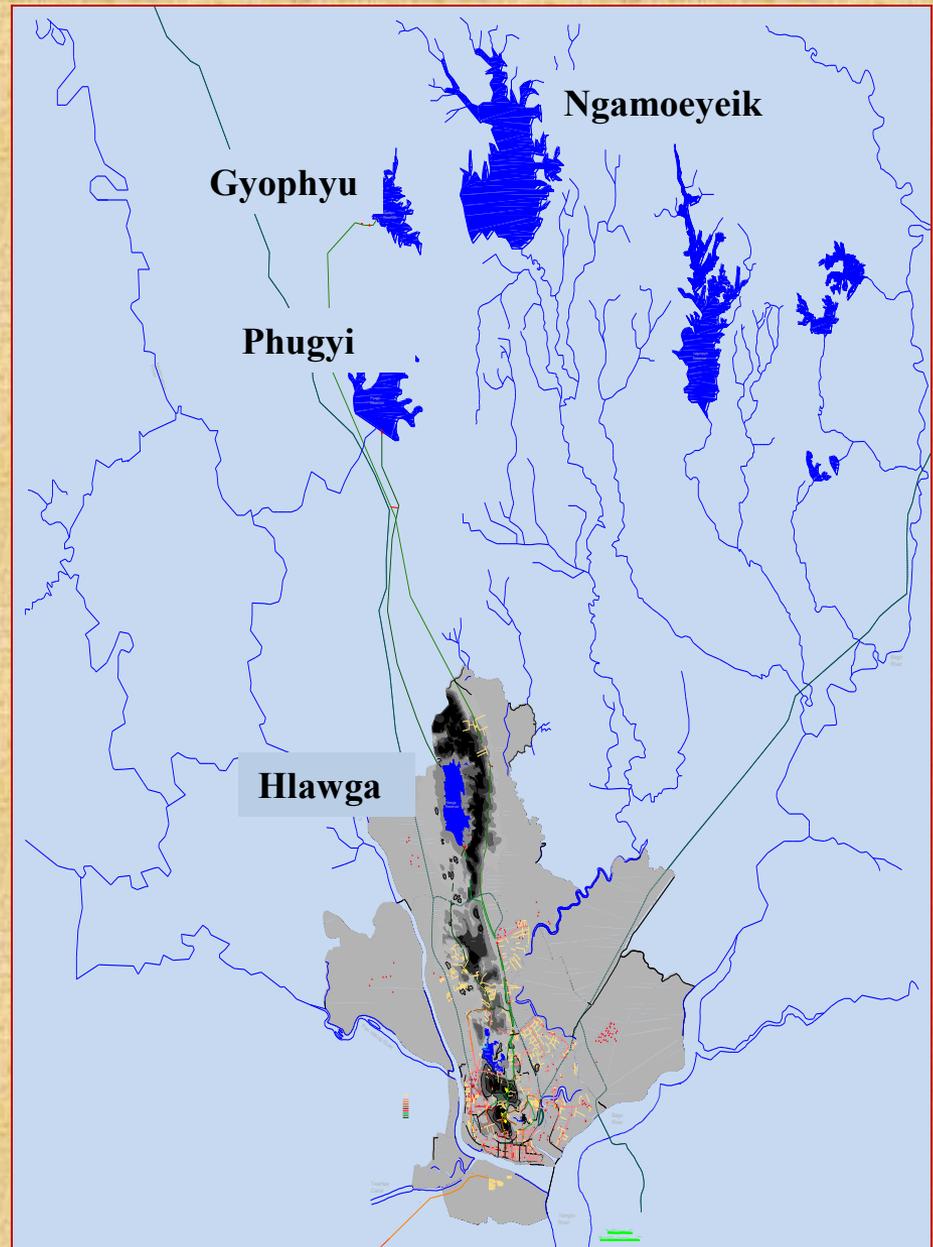
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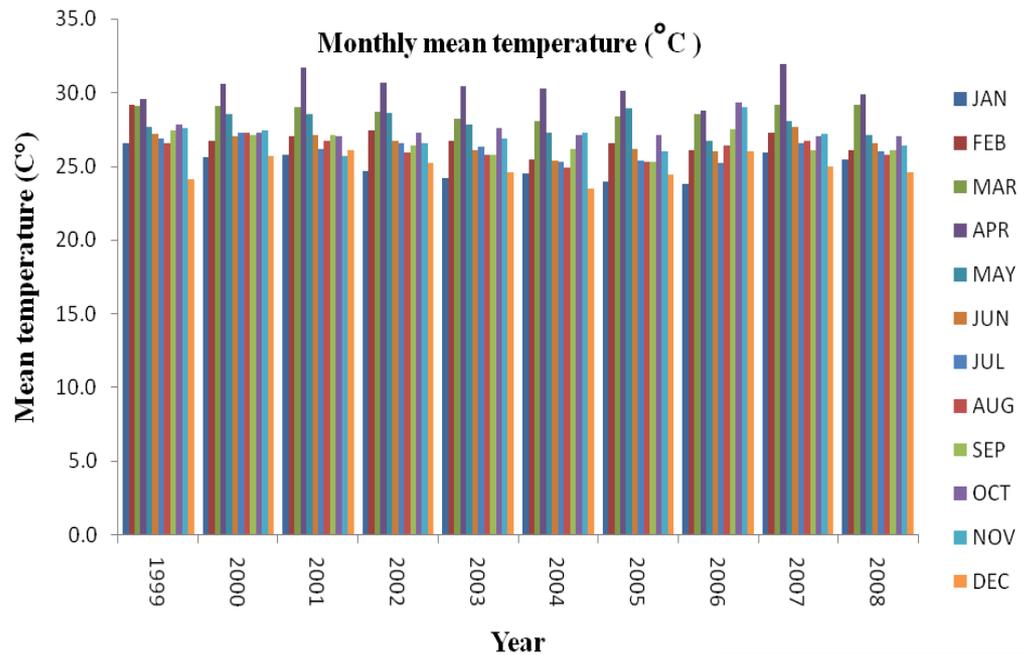
2. Ground water

Open wells (hand-dug wells)

Tube wells

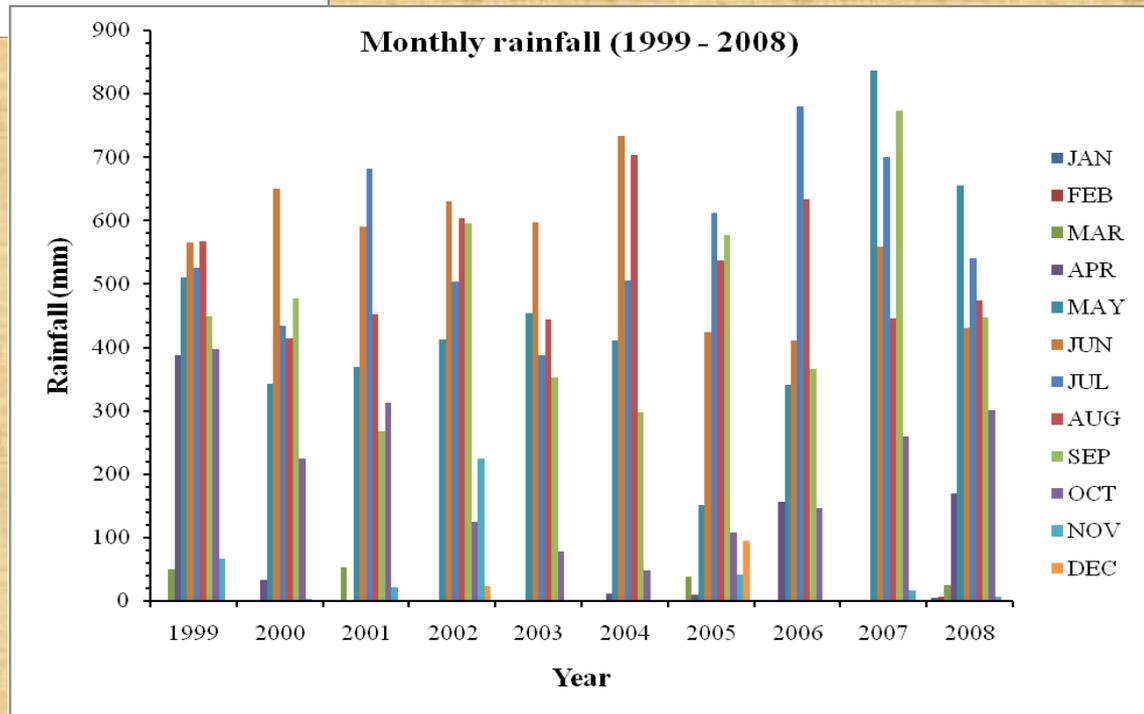
- 30 wells (1842)
- YCDC tube-wells



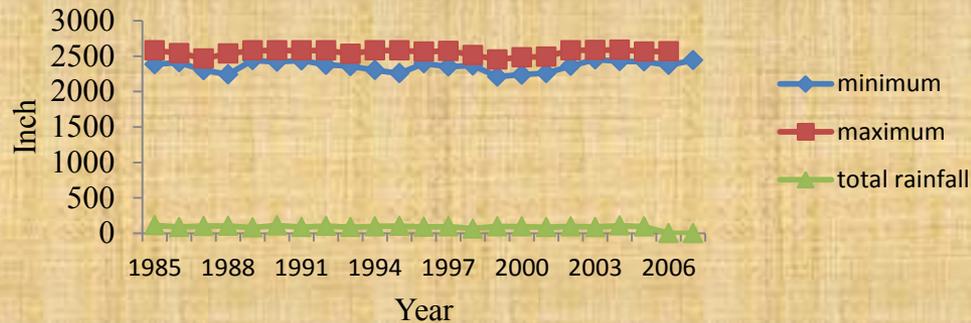


Monthly Temperature and Monthly Rainfall

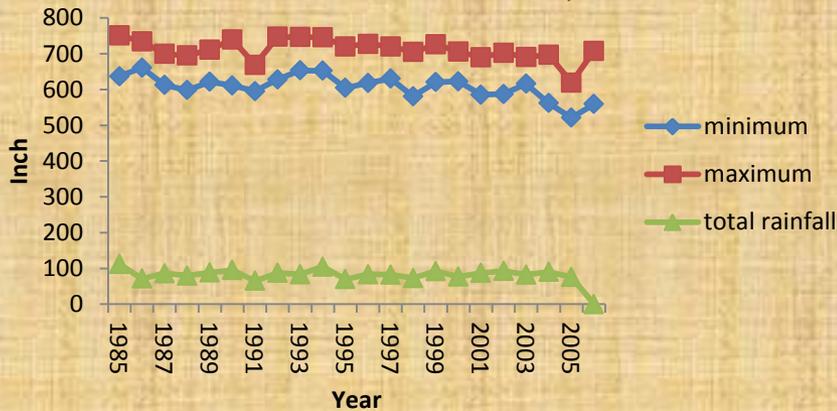
- Monthly mean temperature is essential in water usage
- Water demand in township is mainly depend upon variation of temperature



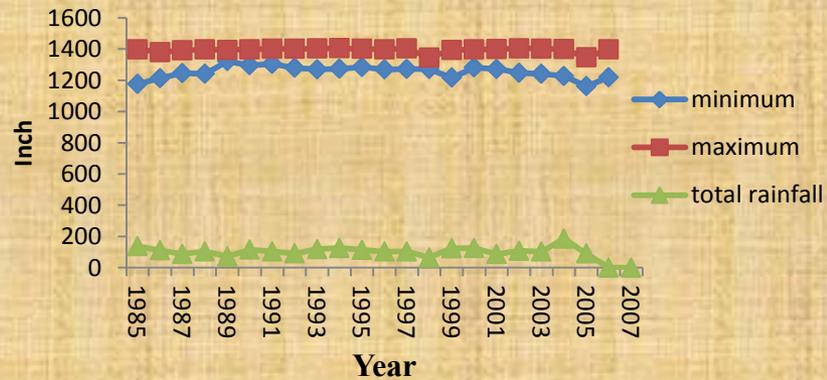
Gyophyu Reservoir (correlation between water level and total rainfall)



Hlawgar Reservoir (correlation between lake water level and total rainfall)



Phyugyi reservoir correlation between water level and total rainfall



Correlation of water level and total rainfall

17° 27' 36"



16° 43' 47"

95° 59' 59"

96° 20' 48"



Water supply in Yangon area (2010)

Water resources

Surface water (reservoirs)

- Gyobyu 27 MGD
- Phugyi 44 MGD
- Hlawga 14 MGD
- Ngamoeyeik 90 MGD

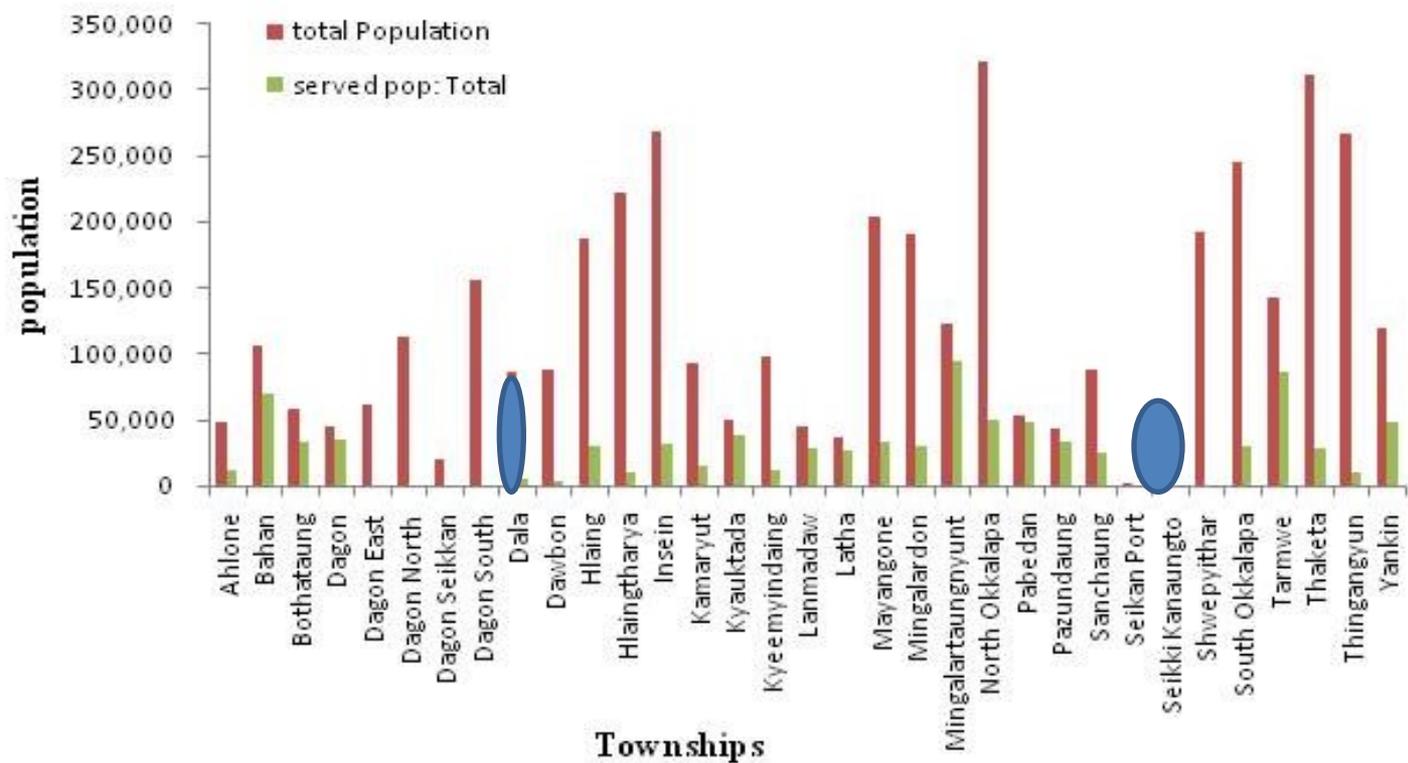
Ground water

- About 400 tube wells over 20 MGD
- Lakes and ponds

Total

over **195 MGD** (Million gallon per day)

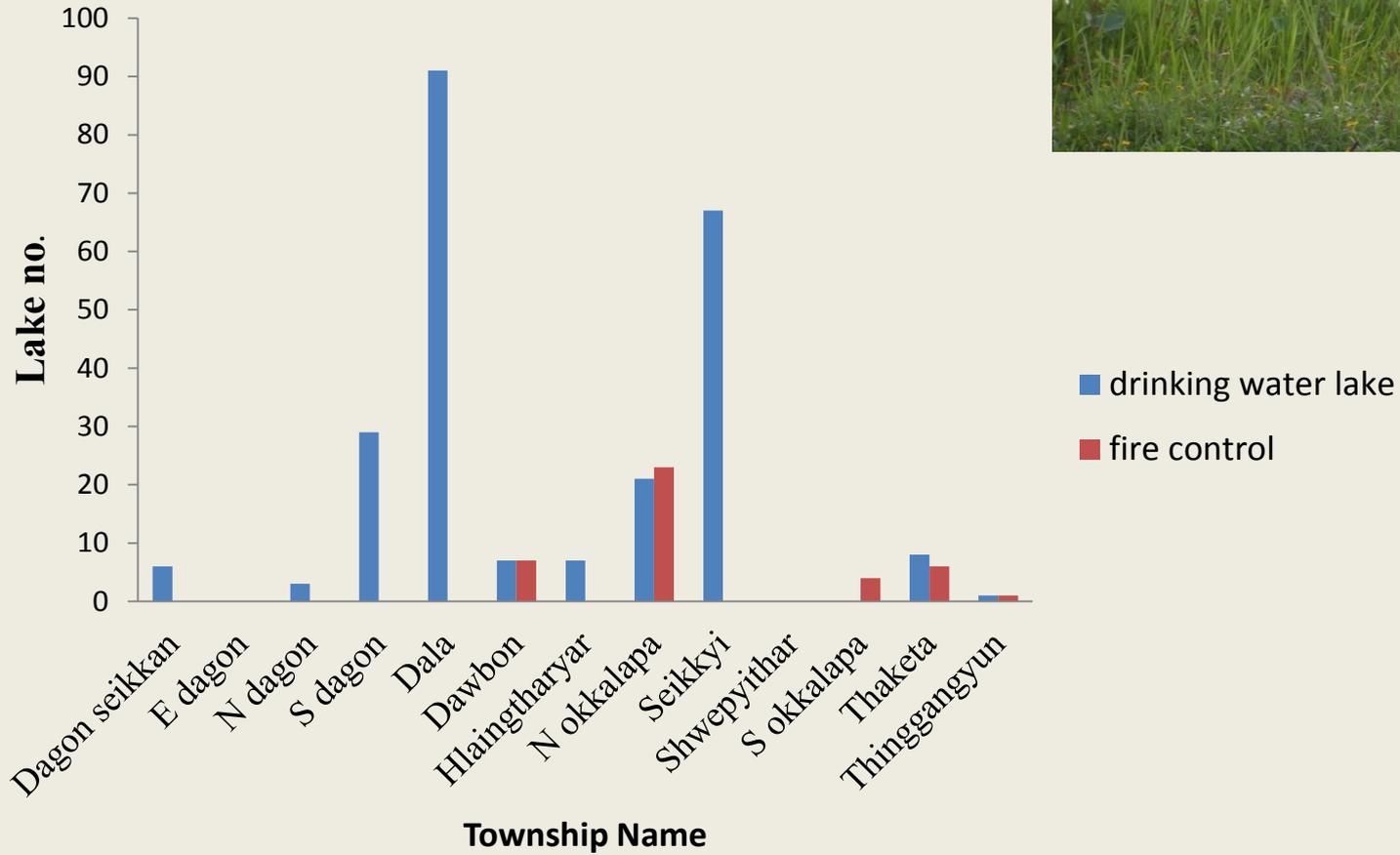
Correlation between total population and served population



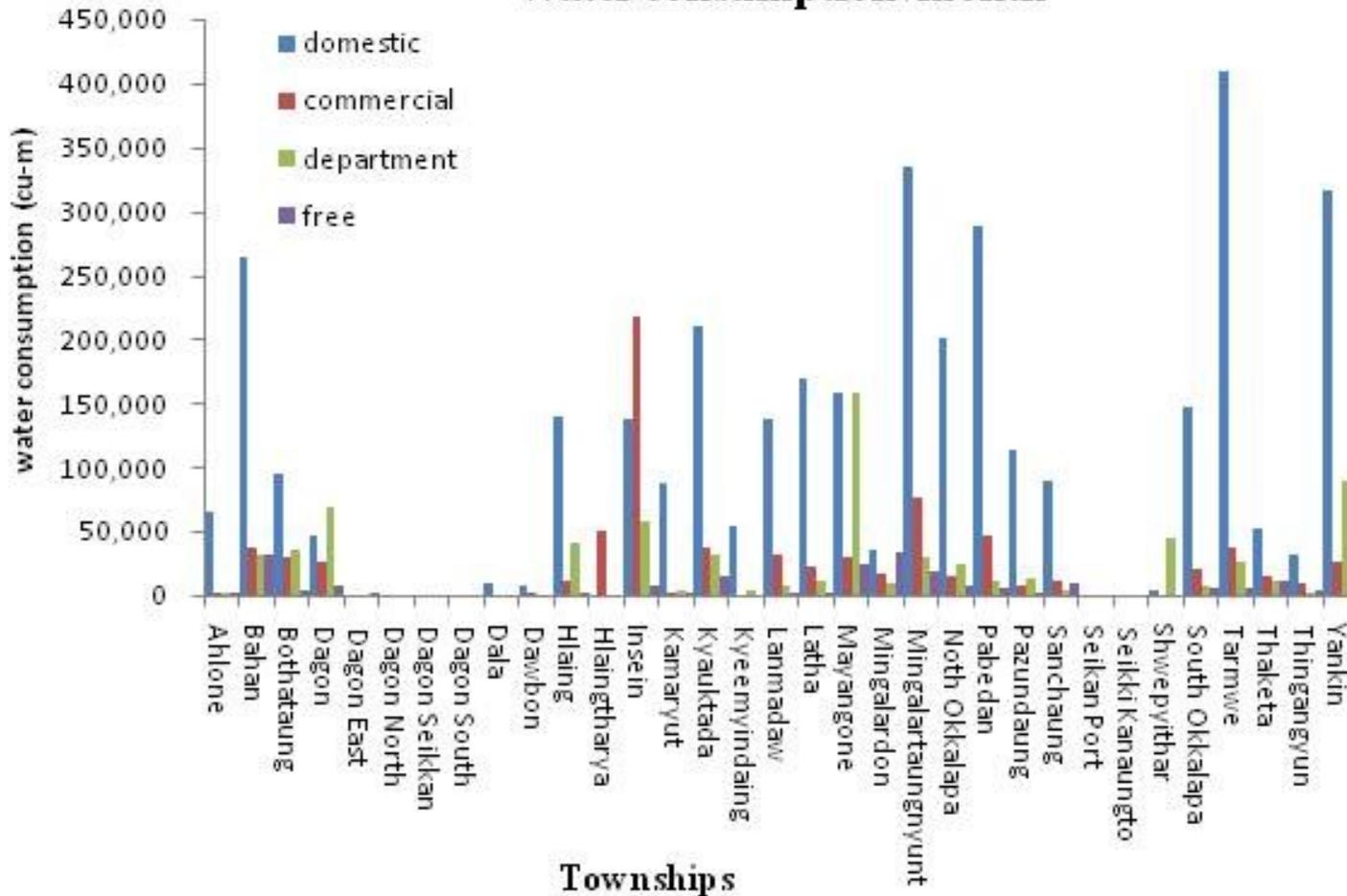
Depending on total population and served population data analysis every townships show the lack of water sufficiency. Half of total population of Bahan, Botahtaung, Dagon, Kyauktada, Lanmadaw, Latha, Mingalartaungnyunt, North Okkalapa, Pabedan, Pazundaung, and Tarmwe have access to YCDC water supply.

Ahlon, Hlaing, Hlaingtharyar, Insein, Kamaryut, Kyeemyintdaing, Mayangone, Mingalardon, North Okkalapa, Sanchaung, South Okkalapa and Thaketa get only small amount of or limited water supply.

Drinking water lake in Yangon Area

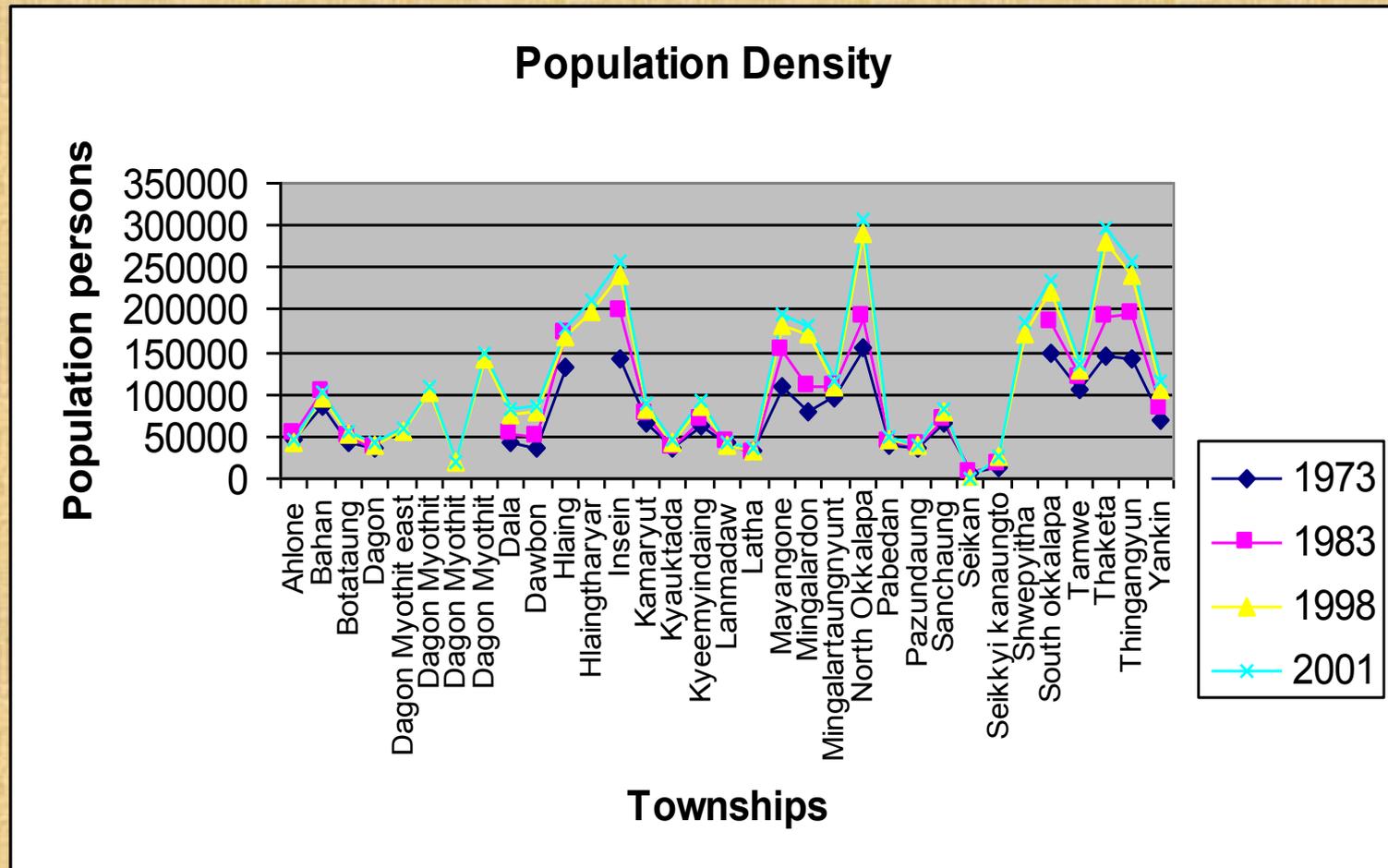


Water consumption /month



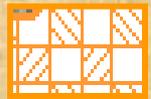
The domestic water consumption per month is increased in Ahlone, Tarmwe, Yankin, Bahan and Pabedan Townships. Utilization for commercial purposes in Insein is increased more than the other townships. Departmental water consumption per month is found to be high in Dagon, Mayangone, Yankin and Insein.

As population density increases, an ever-increasing demand on water resources and an ever increasing complexity of management issues are created.

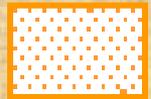


Urban expansion coupled with population growth accelerated the deterioration of environment and degradation of quality of groundwater.

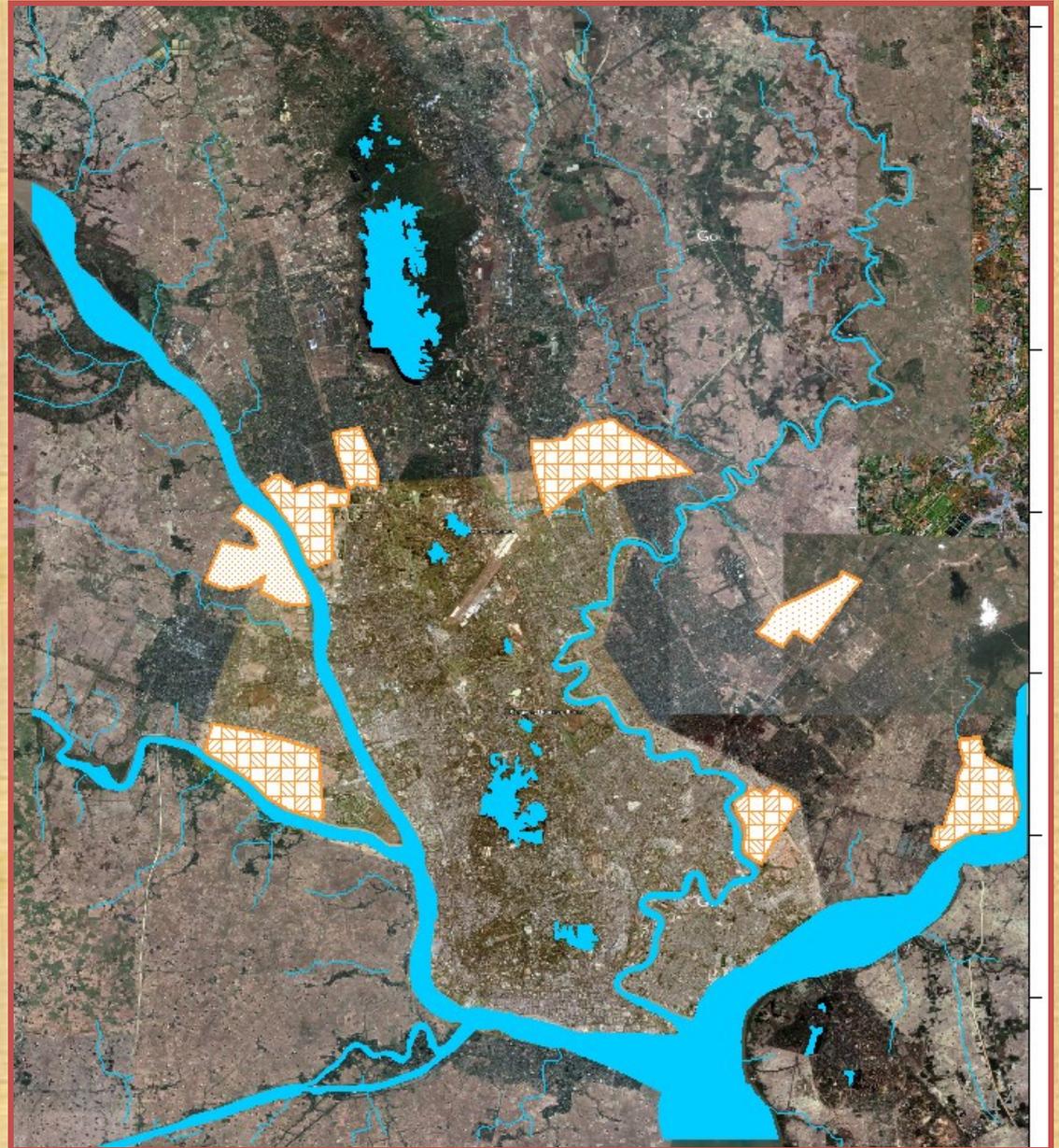
Location of Industrial zones



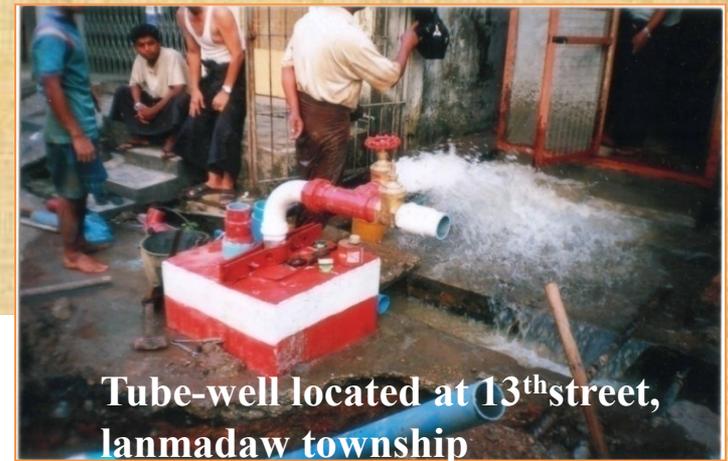
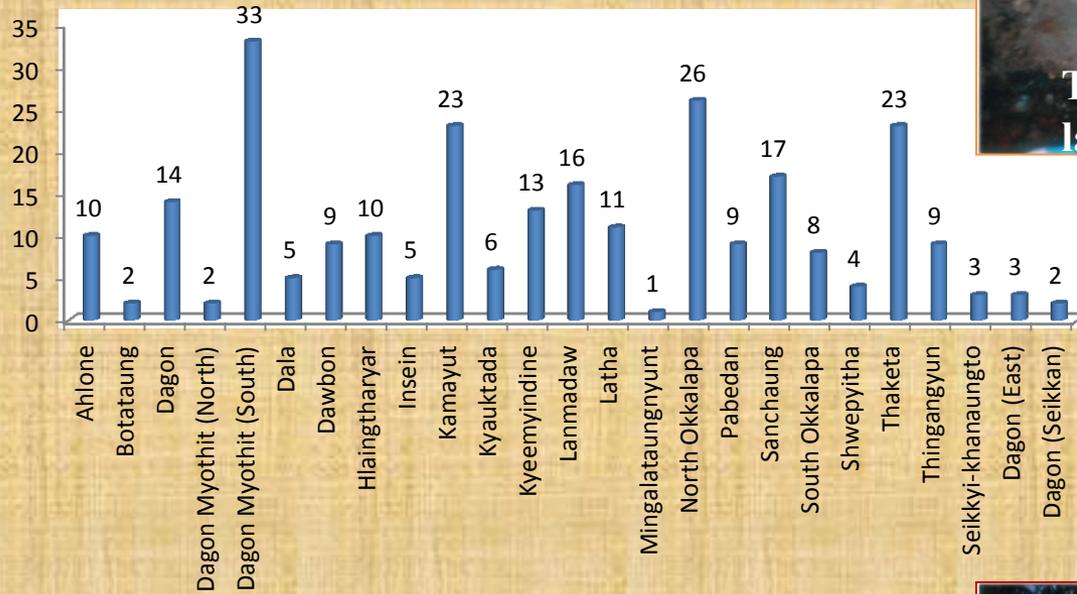
Industrial zones



Proposed industrial zones

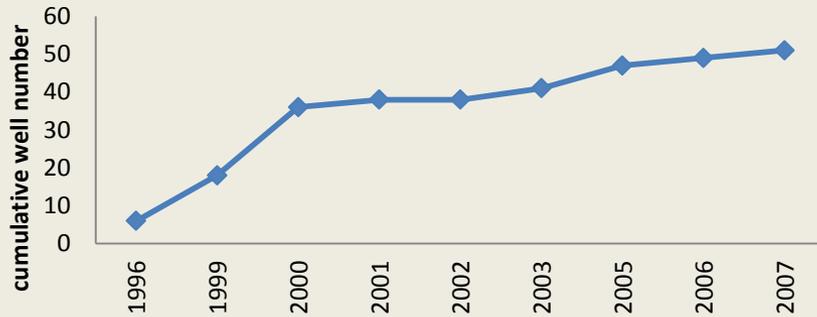


YCDC's tube-wells in Townships

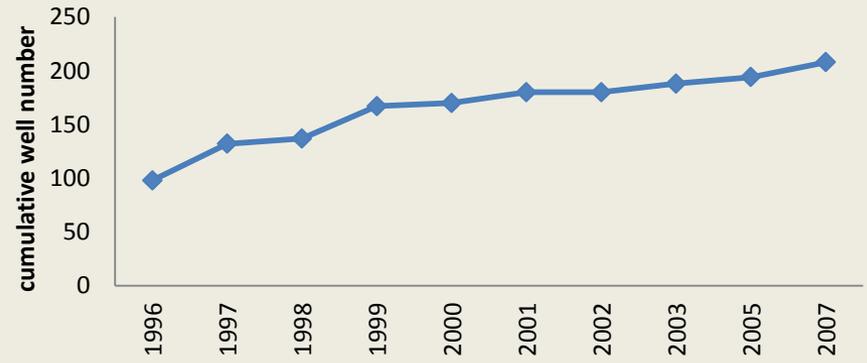


Water wells in townships (1996-2008)

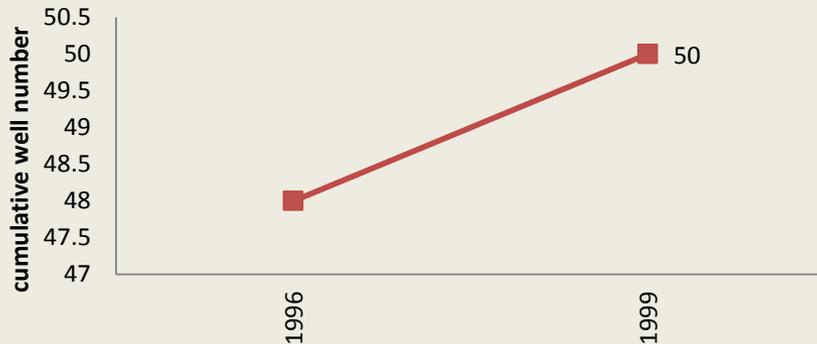
Gp 1
South Okkala
and North Okkala



Gp 2 Dagon, Mayangon, Mingalardon,
Yankin, Kamaryut and Sanchaung



Gp 3
Hlaing, Kyimyintdaing
and Mayangone (west)

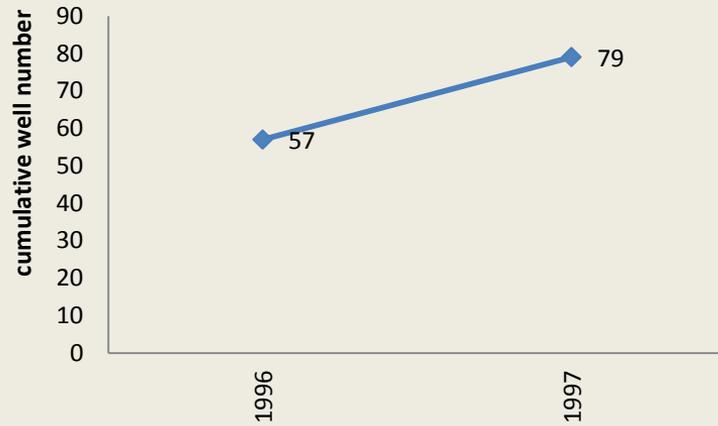


Gp 4 - North Dagon

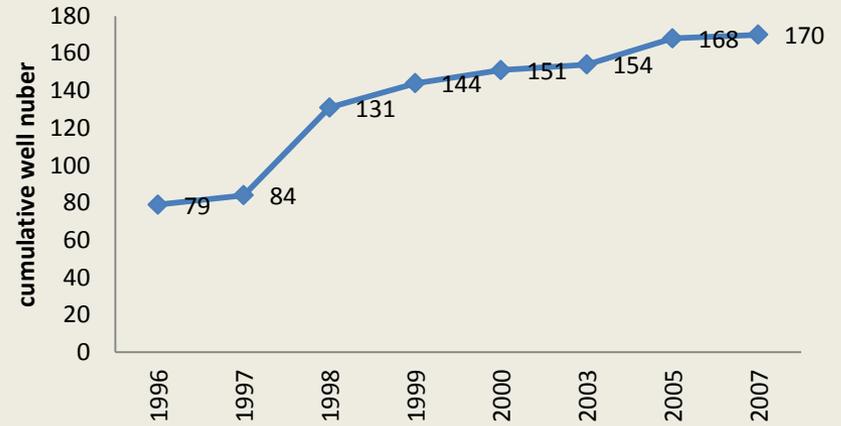


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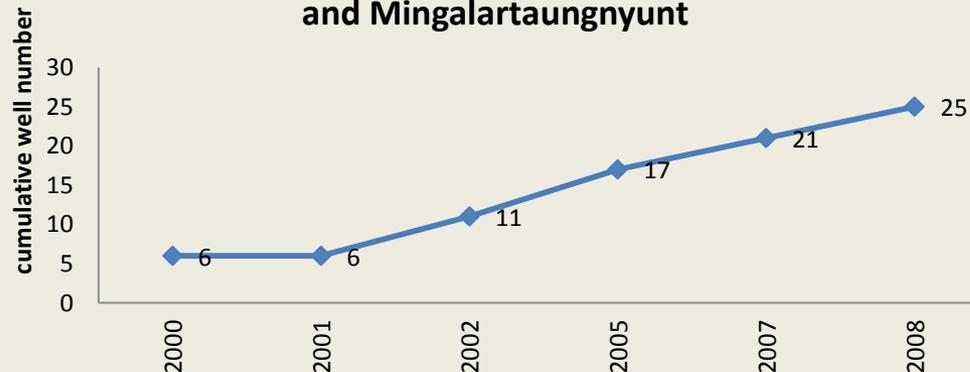
Gp 5 - Shwepyitharyar

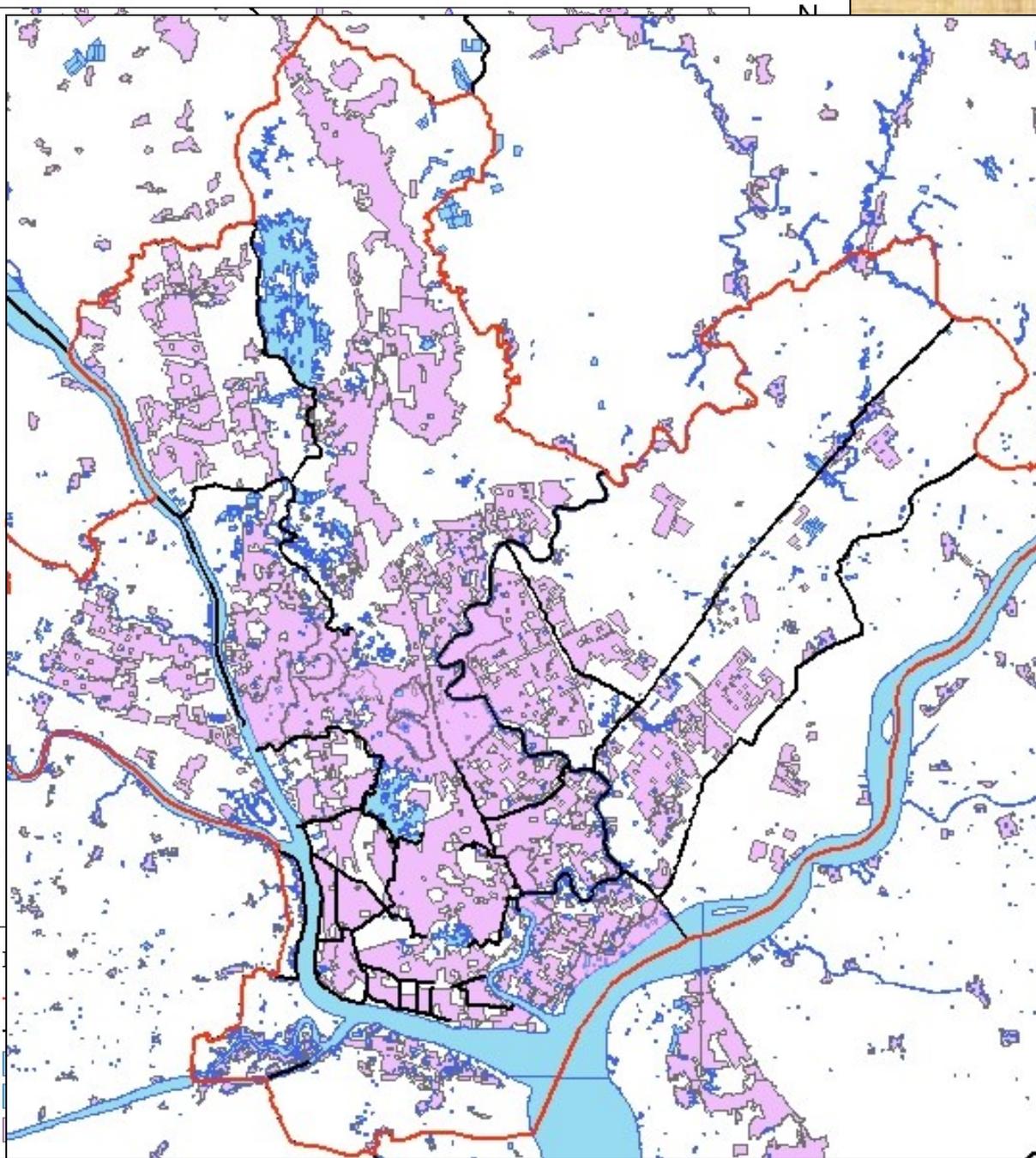


Gp 6 - Hlaingtharyar



Gp 7 Ahone, botatung, Pazundaung and Mingalartaungnyunt

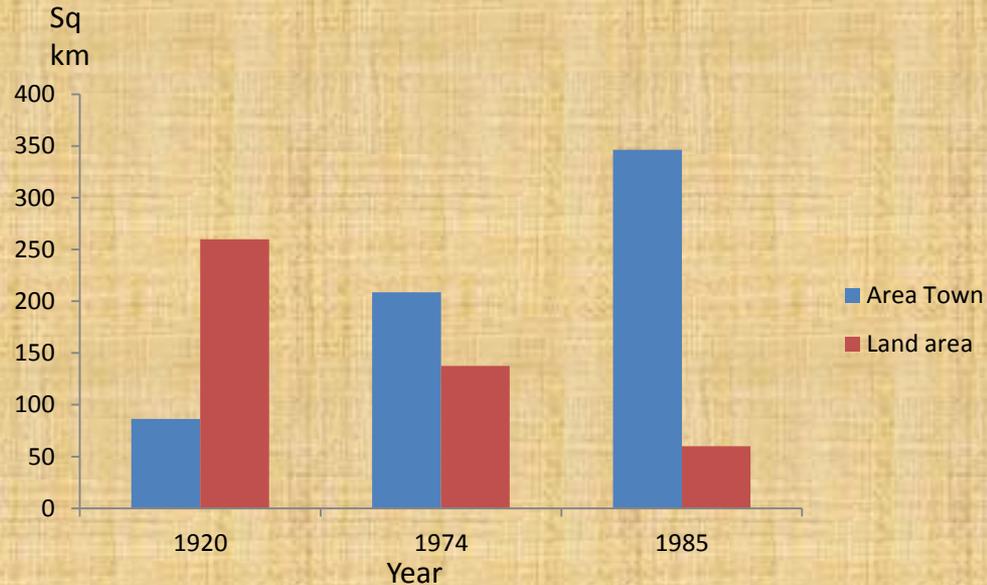




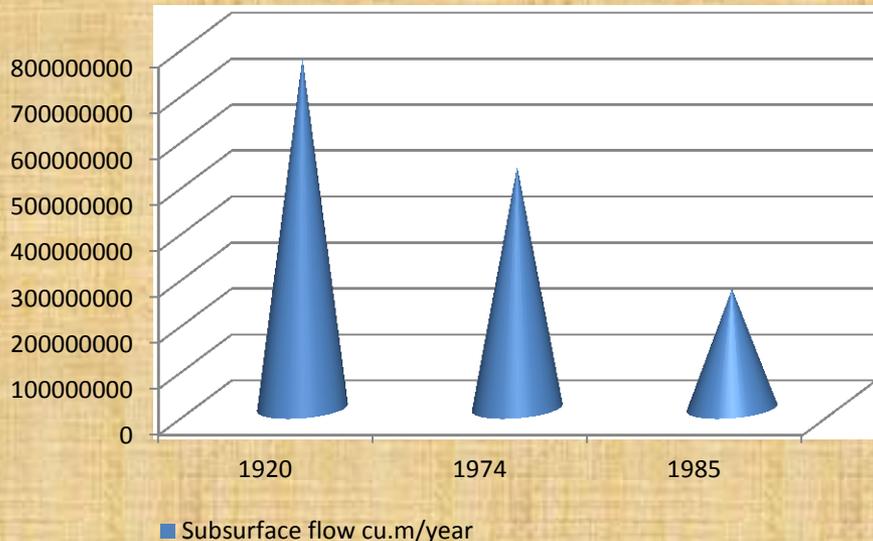
Built up area occupied many areas of water resources especially lakes and ponds

Water Budget

Urban growth and land area reduction



Subsurface flow cu.m/year



Total land area = 480 sq.km

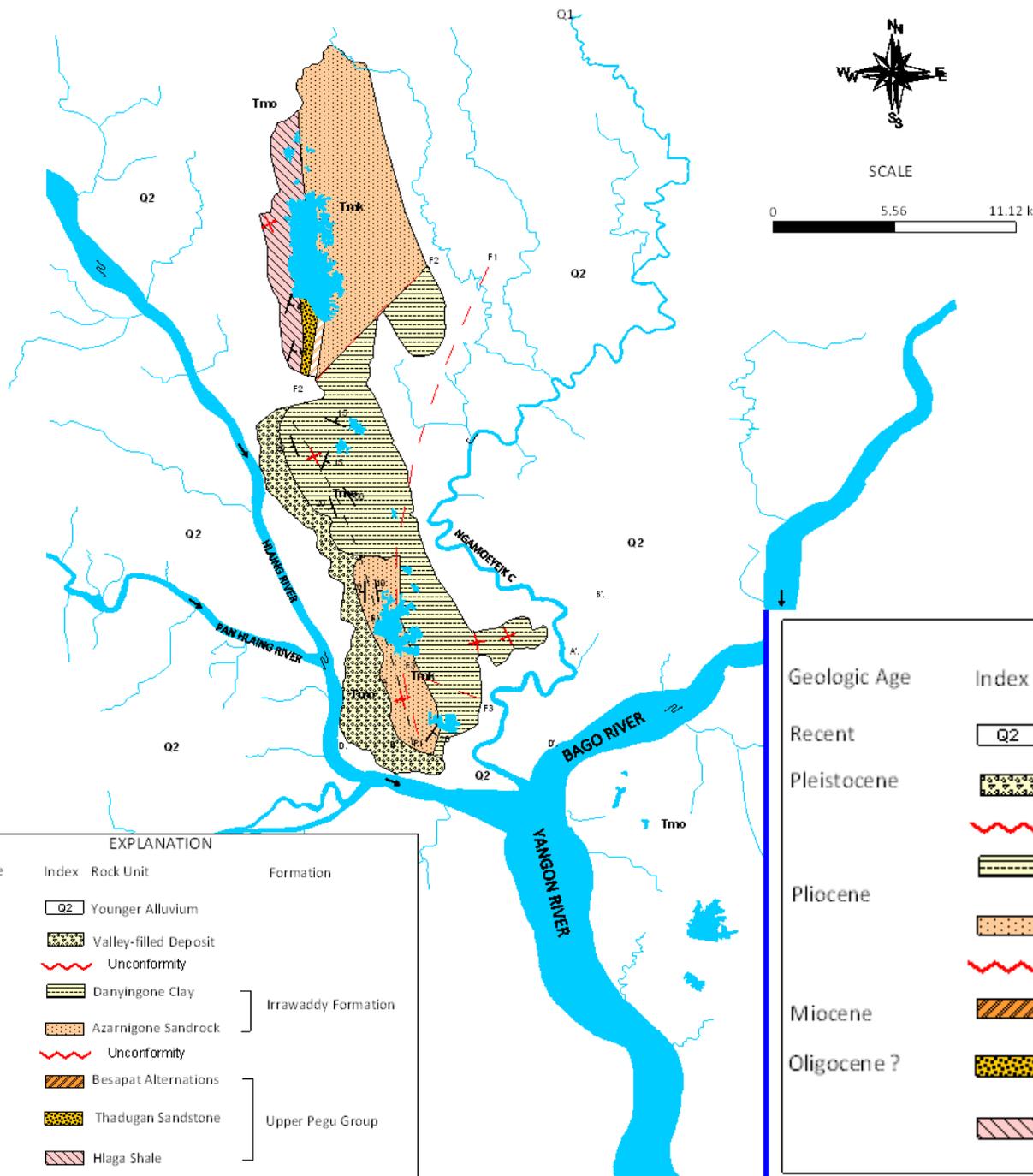
Year	Area sq ft (Town)	Land area	Subsurface flow (recharge)
1920	86.25	393.75	759738839.6
1974	208.62	271.38	523626479.5
1985	346.13	133.87	258301558

Potential sources of groundwater contamination

Increase in households through population growth, economic activities and lifestyle changes directly transform the condition of the water resources. Controlling factors for the deterioration of water resources are interaction of **climate, topography and drainage system, geology, population density and land-use.**

Geology

Geological Map of Yangon City (Win Naing, 1972)



EXPLANATION

Geologic Age	Index	Rock Unit	Formation
Recent	Q2	Younger Alluvium	
Pleistocene		Valley-filled Deposit	
		Unconformity	
Pliocene		Danyingone Clay	Irrawaddy Formation
		Azarnigone Sandrock	
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Hydrogeology

Aquifer (Rock)

- Upper Pegu Group
(Thadugan Sandstone, Hlawga Shale, Besapat Alternations)
 - Limited in Thadugan sandstone
- Irrawaddy Formation
(Arzanigone Sandrock, Danyingone Clay)
 - Mainly Arzanigone sandrock

Aquifer (Alluvium)

- Valley-filled deposit
 - Important aquifer in the western part of the study area
- Younger alluvium
 - Widely distributed

Well locations in different lithology

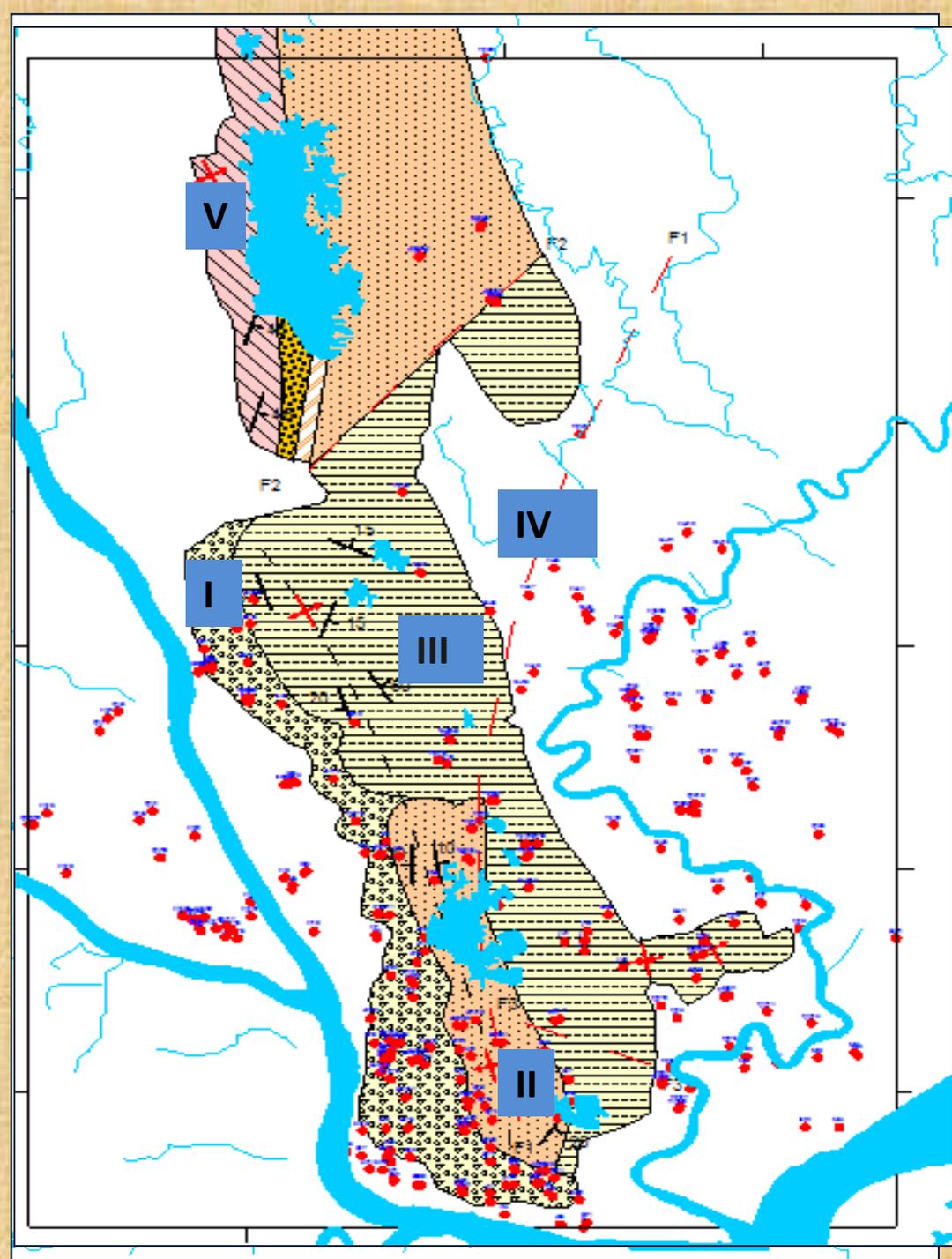
I - valley-filled deposit
(good water quality)

II - Arzanigone sandrock
(good water quality)

III- Danyingone clay

IV - Younger Alluvial deposit

V – Thadugan sandstone

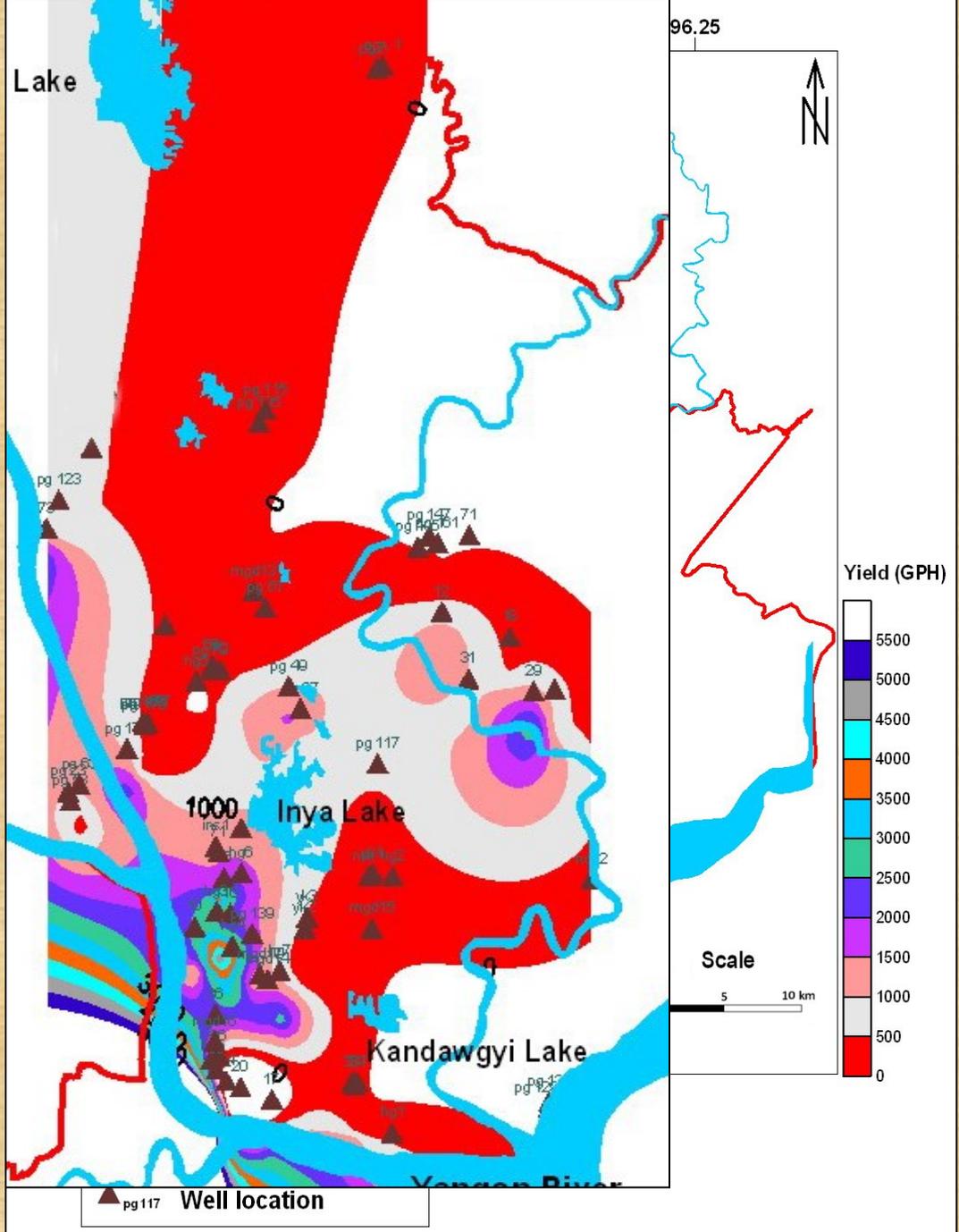


Types of aquifer	depth (feet)	soil types	Types of aquifer	depth (feet)	soil types
Arzanigone sandrocks	90-110	sand	Valley-fill deposits	125-157	coarse sand and gravel
	80-137	sand		118-170	fine gray
	170-200	sand		114-147	clay sand and gravel
	145-170	fine sand		82-129 /134-145	coarse sand and gravel
	70-100	sand		206-290	sand and gravel
	420-480	sand blue		104-170	sand and gravel
	460-490	fine to medium sand		213-243 /253-273	coarse sand and gravel
	Danyingone clays	130-264		coarse sand and gravel	
334-385		gray sand		130-160	sand and gravel
185-210		blue clay and coarse sand		140-180	sand and gravel
105-130		sand and gravel		110-130	medium sand and yellow
110-140		medium sand	Alluvial	126-156	Sand
295-335		medium sand		274-364	gravel and sand gravel
480-510		sand blue		151-221	coarse sand and gravel
247-280		coarse sand and gravel		101-127	sand and gravel
223-261		coarse sand and gravel		105-125	sand with fine gravel
370-390		medium sand and blue		100-130	sand fine and yellow
430-470		fine sand		335-365	medium sand and gritty
40-60		sand and gravel		600-630	sand and gravel
100-148		medium sand and gravel		570-590	sand and gravel
200-295		sand yellow and gravel		520-580	sand
325-350		medium sand blue		320-400	medium sand blue
				450-490	fine sand

Assessment of groundwater vulnerability

Groundwater specific yield map and its wells locations

Depending upon this map, the specific yield is abundant in the south-west and western part of this study area.



Water quality

- Unbalance between discharge and recharge may cause groundwater quality degradation
- Over-exploitation can also disturb the saltwater and fresh water interface, leading to local or regional saline contamination

TDS distribution (Total Dissolved Solid)

Excellent

less than 300 mg/litre

Good

between 300 and 600 mg/litre

Fair

between 600 and 900 mg/litre

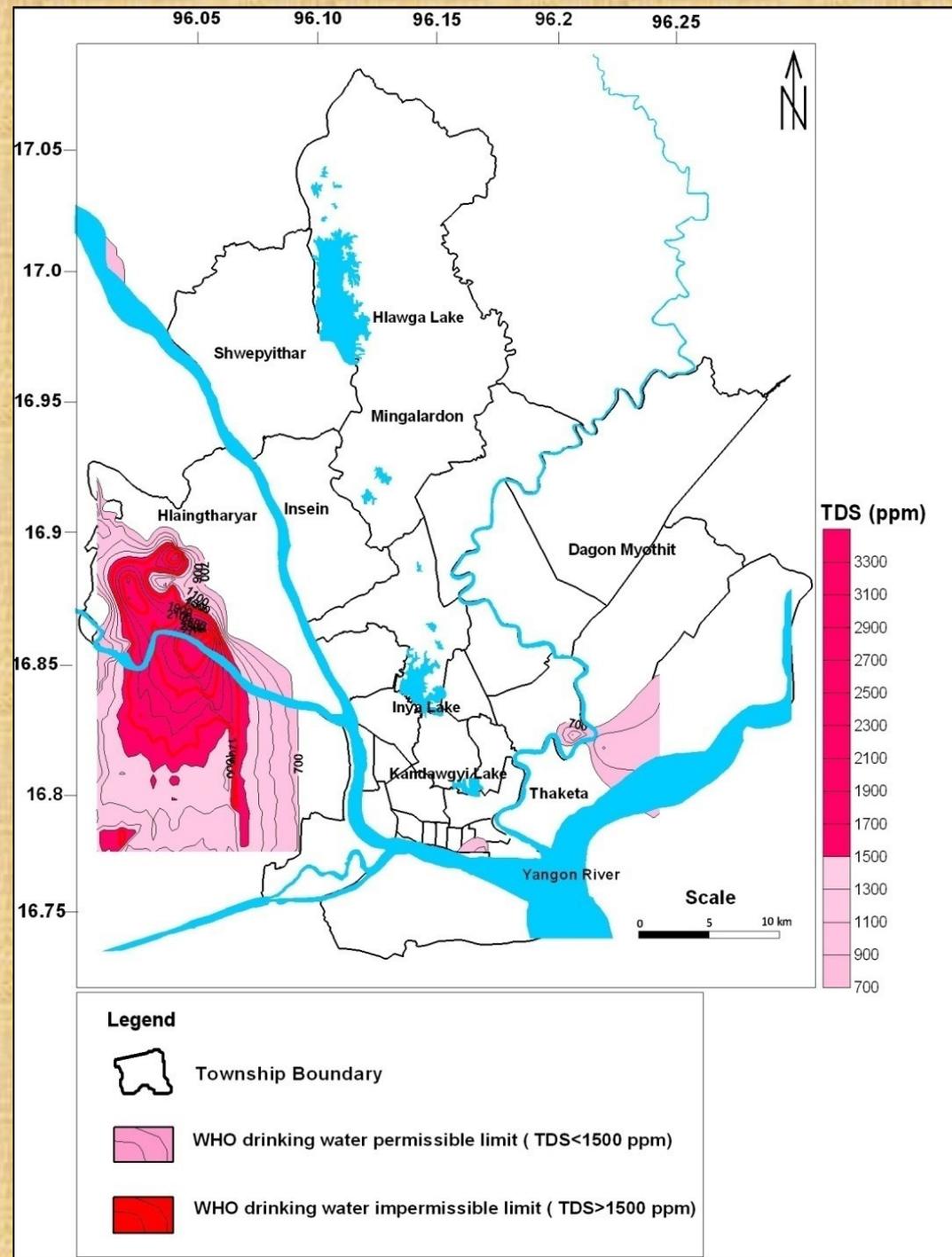
Poor

between 900 and 1200 mg/litre

Unacceptable

greater than 1200 mg/litre

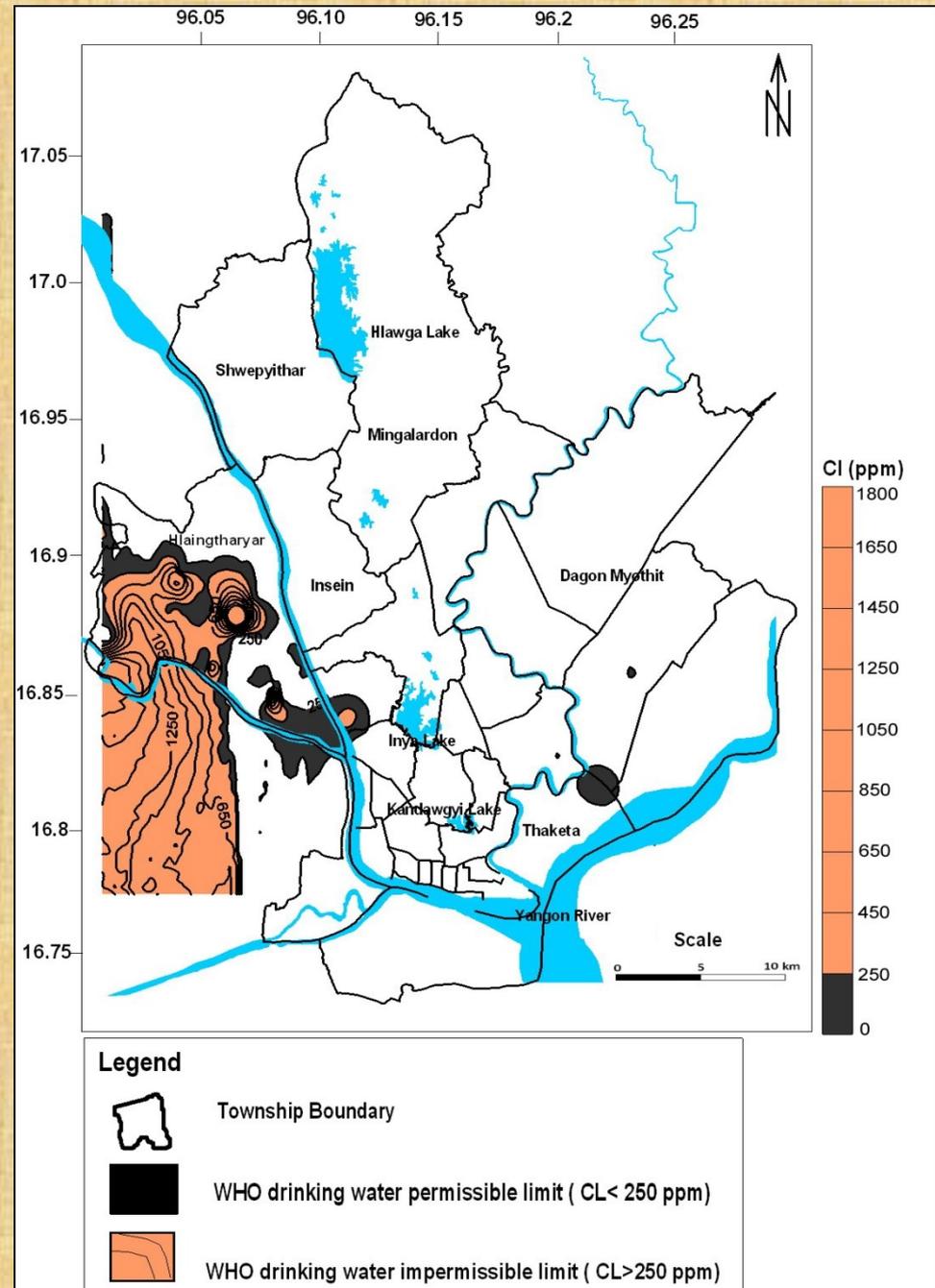
Over pumping of groundwater will cause the intrusion of saline water to the well in the area to the tidal river and chaung.



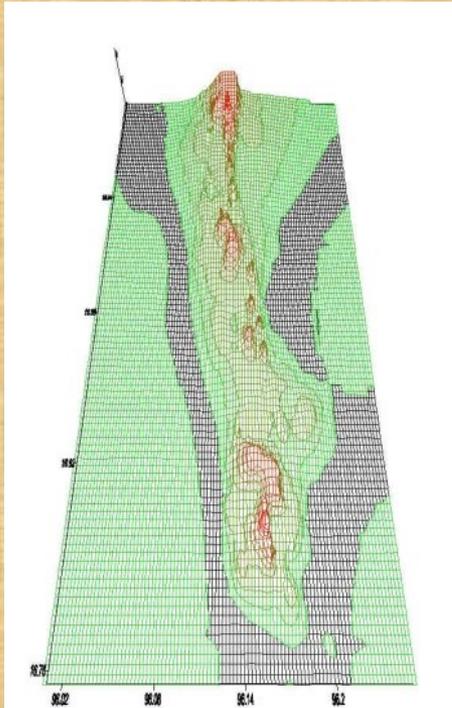
Chloride distribution

- Chloride originates from natural sources, sewage and industrial effluents, and saline intrusion.
- Guideline value of Chloride is 250 mg/litre

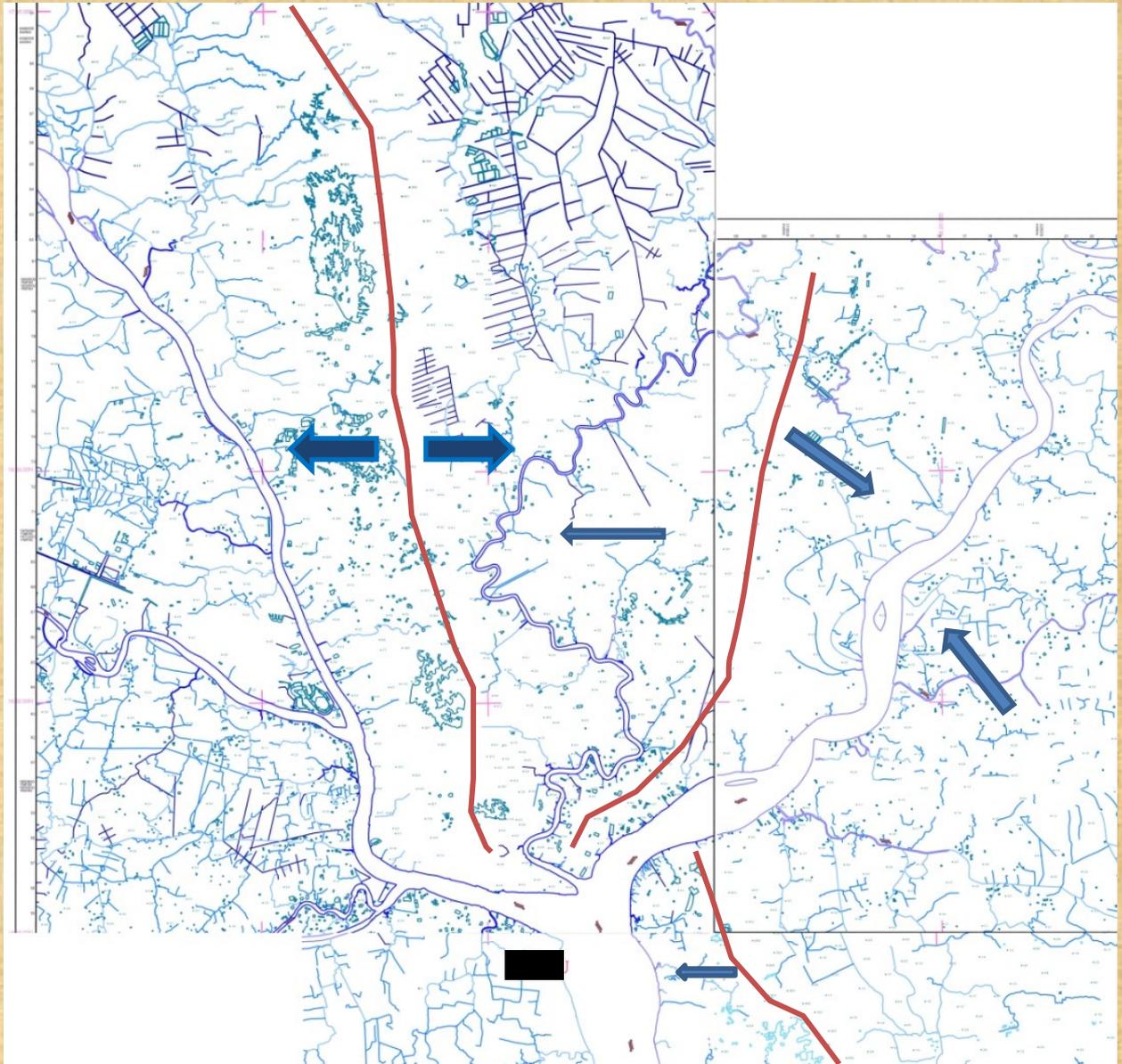
• This presentation reveals the quality of groundwater in terms of Total Dissolved Solid (TDS) and Chloride (Cl)

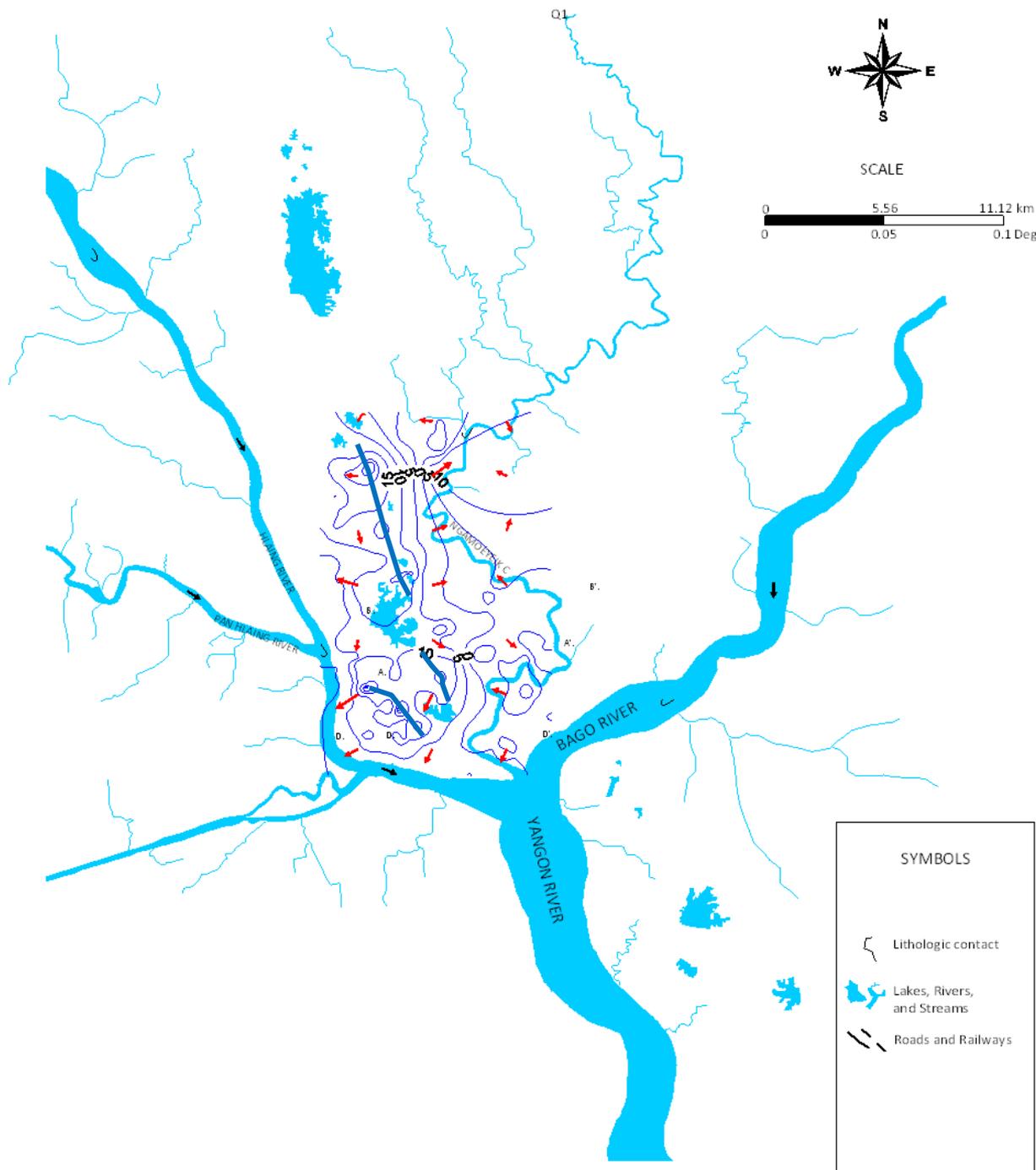


Drainage Coverage Map of the Study Area



Yangon-Mingaladon
Ridge is main
watershed for Hlaing
River and Ngamoeyeik
Creek

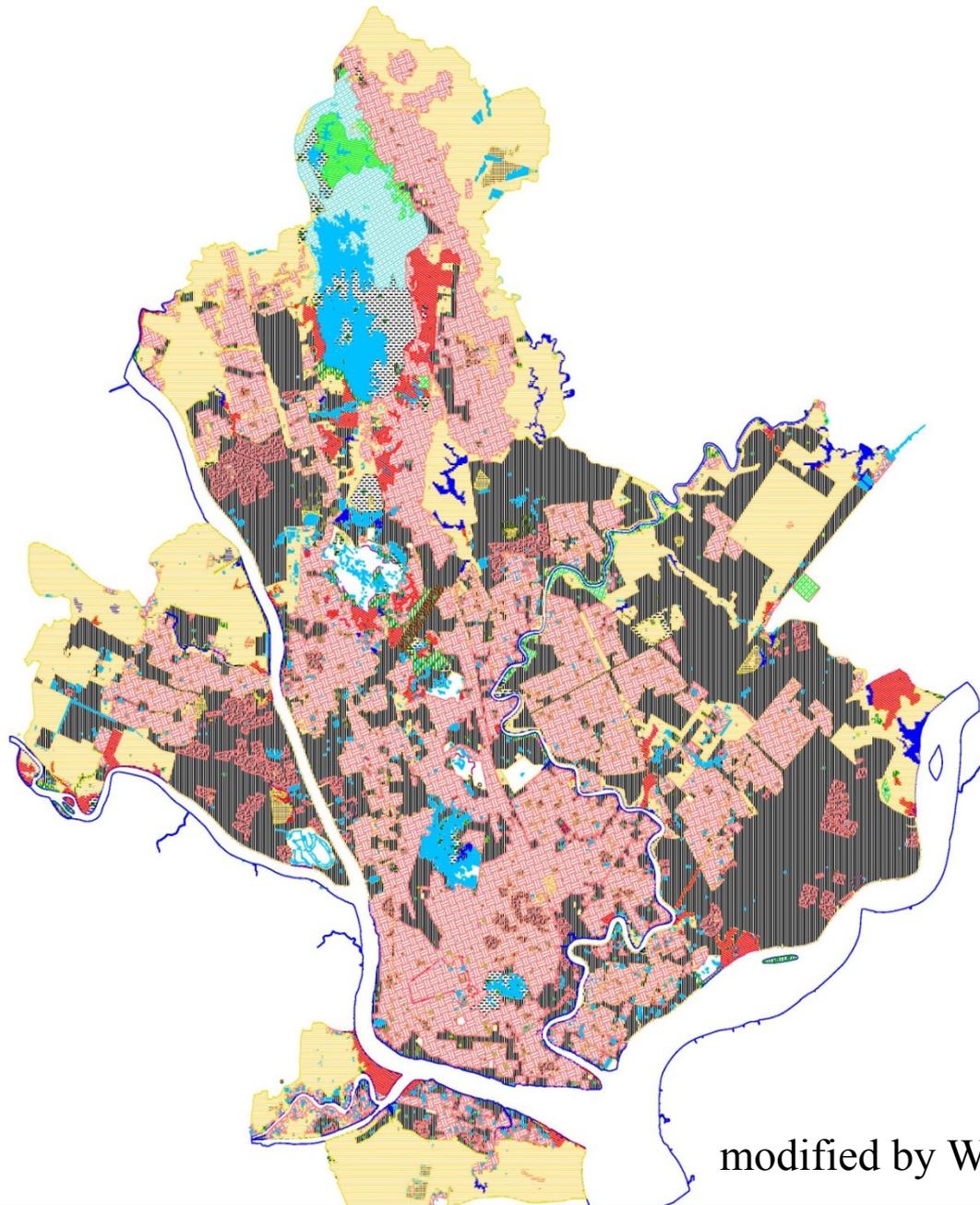




Contour map showing potentiometric level

- Topography normally controls the subsurface water flow.
- However, permanent reservoirs like Innya and Kandawgyi can feed water into the local aquifers continuously

(modified after Win Naing and Maung Maung 1996)

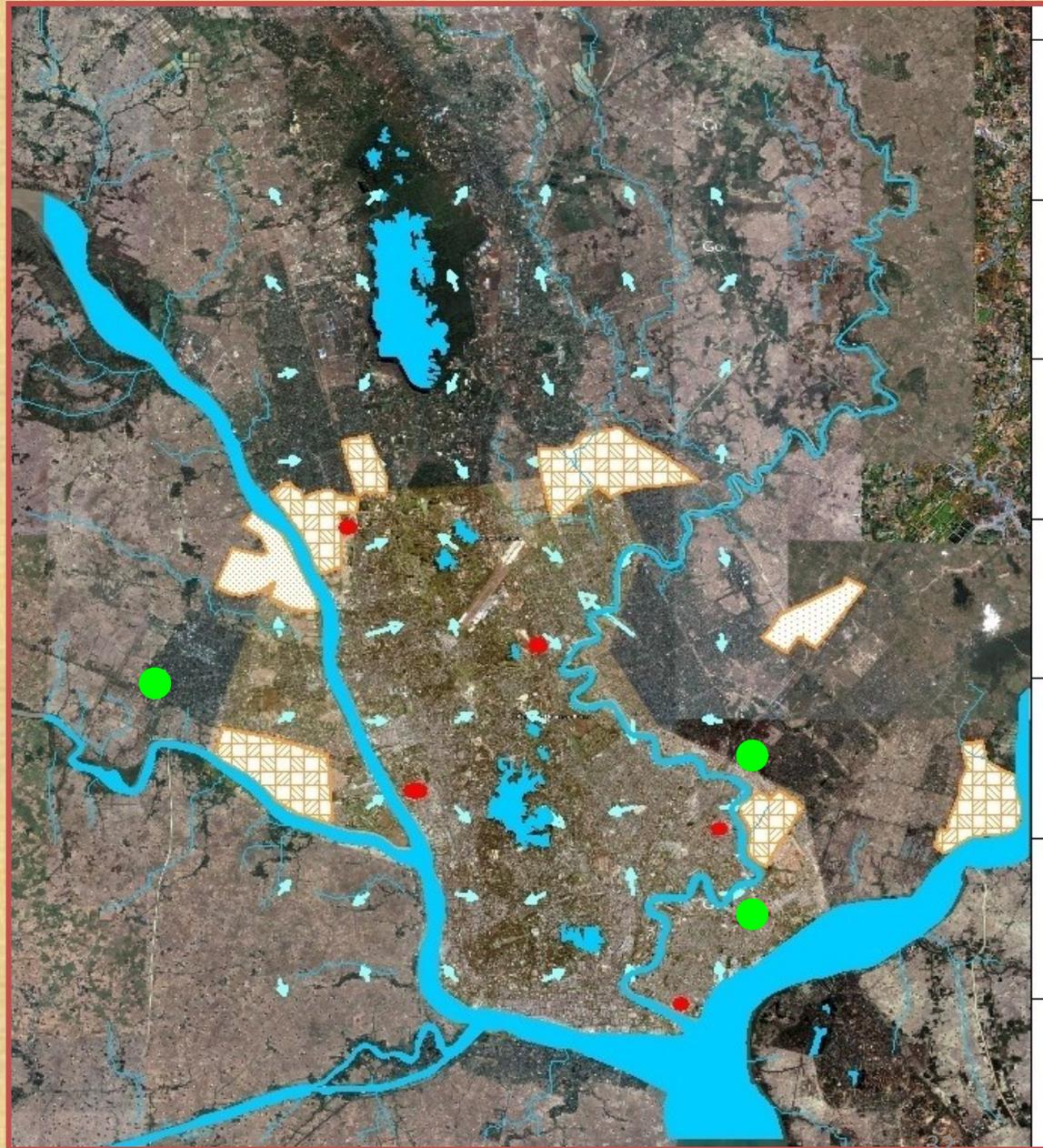


-  Open or barren land Area
-  Cultivation Area
-  Grass Area
-  Scattered Area
-  Brush or scrub Area
-  Plantation Area
-  Sparse forest Area
-  Dense forest Area
-  Lakes and Ponds Area
-  Built up Area
-  Orchard plantation Area
-  Marsh or swamp Area

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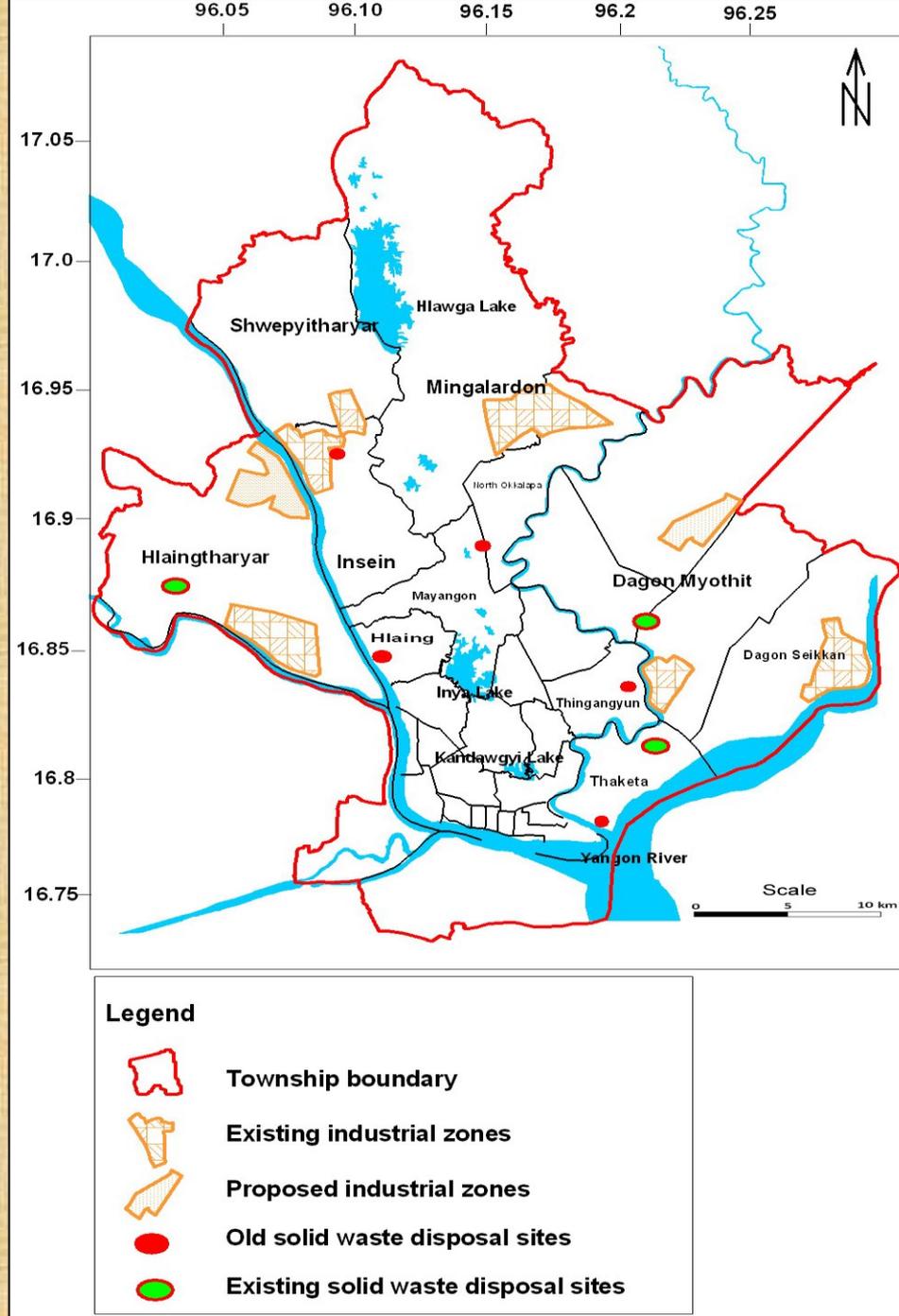
Figure showing Industrial zones, solid waste disposal sites and groundwater flow direction

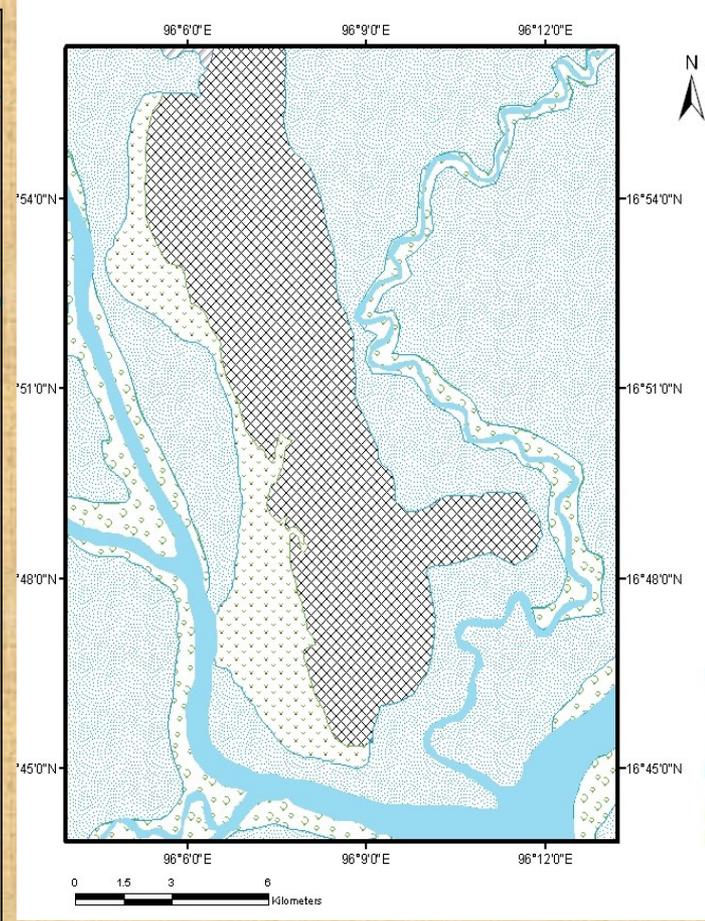
- Old solid waste disposal site
- Existing solid waste disposal site
- Industrial zones
- Proposed industrial zones



Main solid waste disposal sites And industrial zones

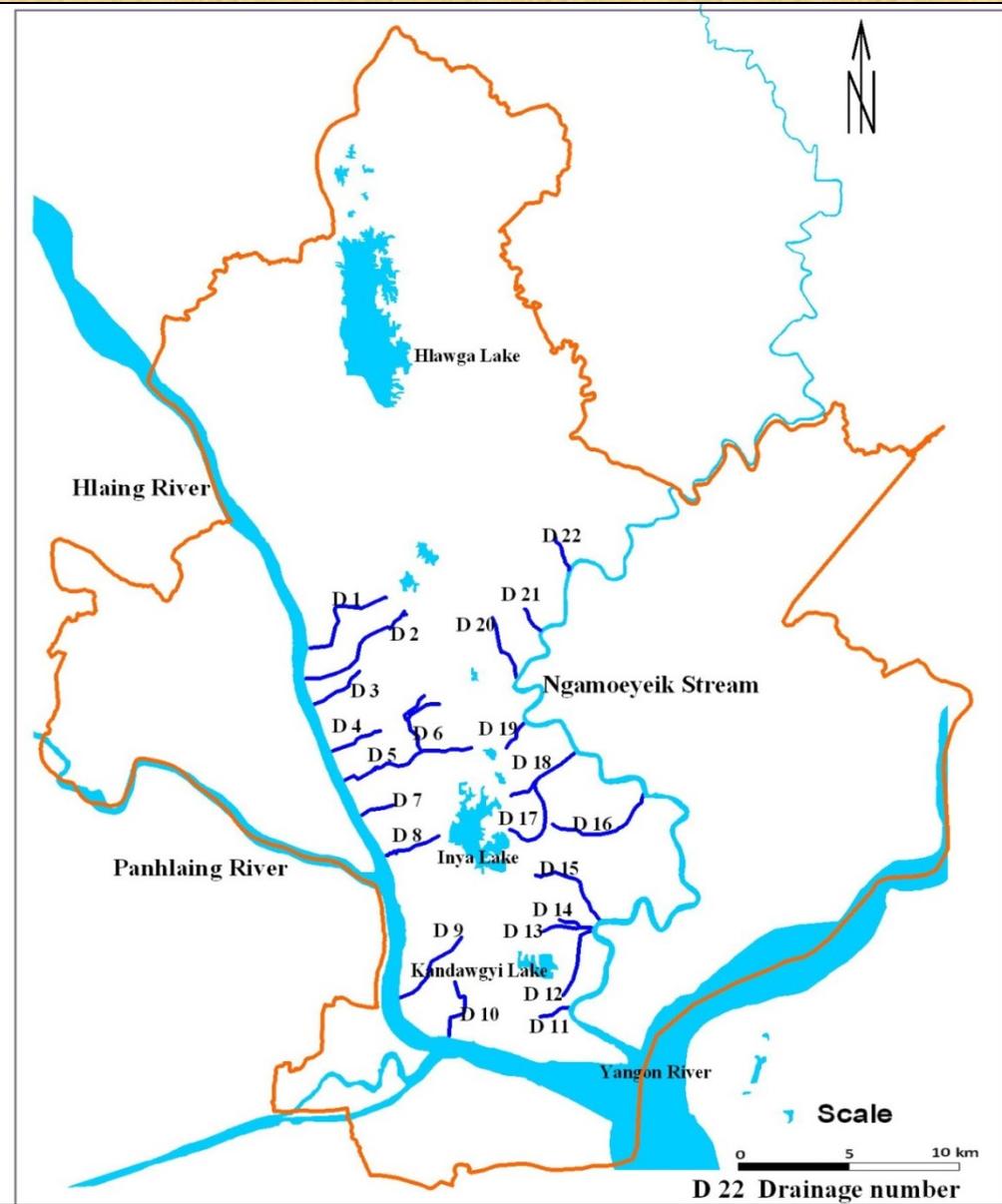
Waste disposal sites are located at the area of shallow water-table aquifers situated at the depth of 40 ft below the surface.





Low lying areas are high vulnerable to flooding during rainy season. But the southern city may have further problems.

Flooding



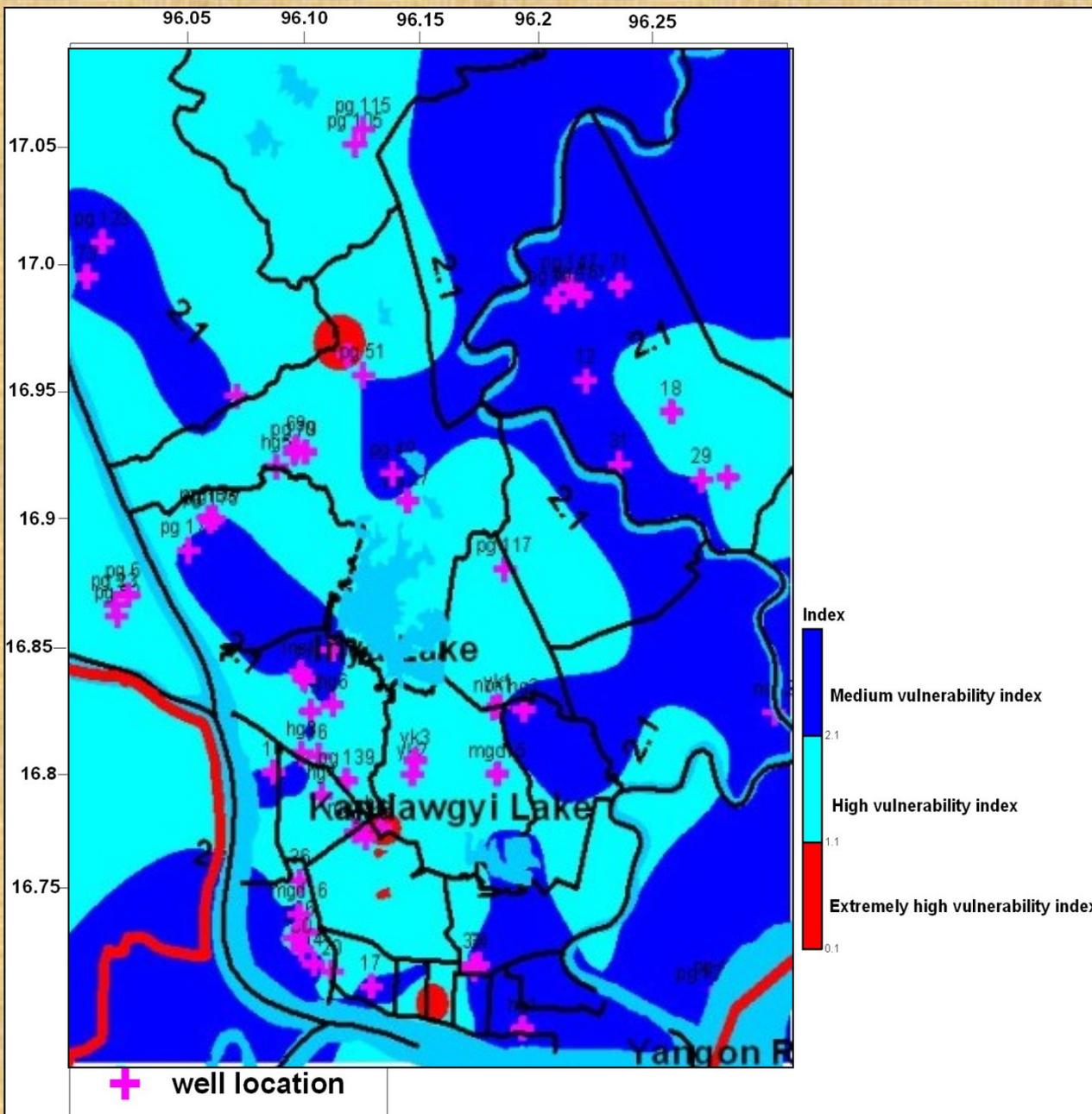
All 22 drainage channels present in Yangon are polluted. Channel water pollution is rather high in dry season when the surface run-off by rain water is absent. Channels passing through the densely populated area are highly polluted and they will contaminated the groundwater lying below.

Groundwater vulnerability assessment

- Aquifer vulnerability index (AVI)
- The Vulnerability Index is one of the methods simplest, fast and easy to quantify the vulnerability, since so single it uses the hydraulic conductivity and the thickness of the layers of different material that are on the level of the water.

$$c = \sum b_i / K_i \quad \text{for the layers } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, i$$

- where:
- b_i : it is the thickness of each layer of the ground water,
- K_i : it is the hydraulic conductivity of each layer, and
- c : it is total the hydraulic resistance by ft of depth (inverse of K_i , [time]),

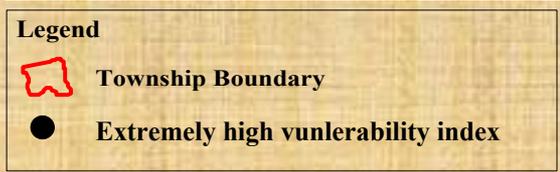


Groundwater vulnerability assessment map and its wells locations

Groundwater vulnerability index map by using AVI (aquifer vulnerability index) method for reconnaissance studies.



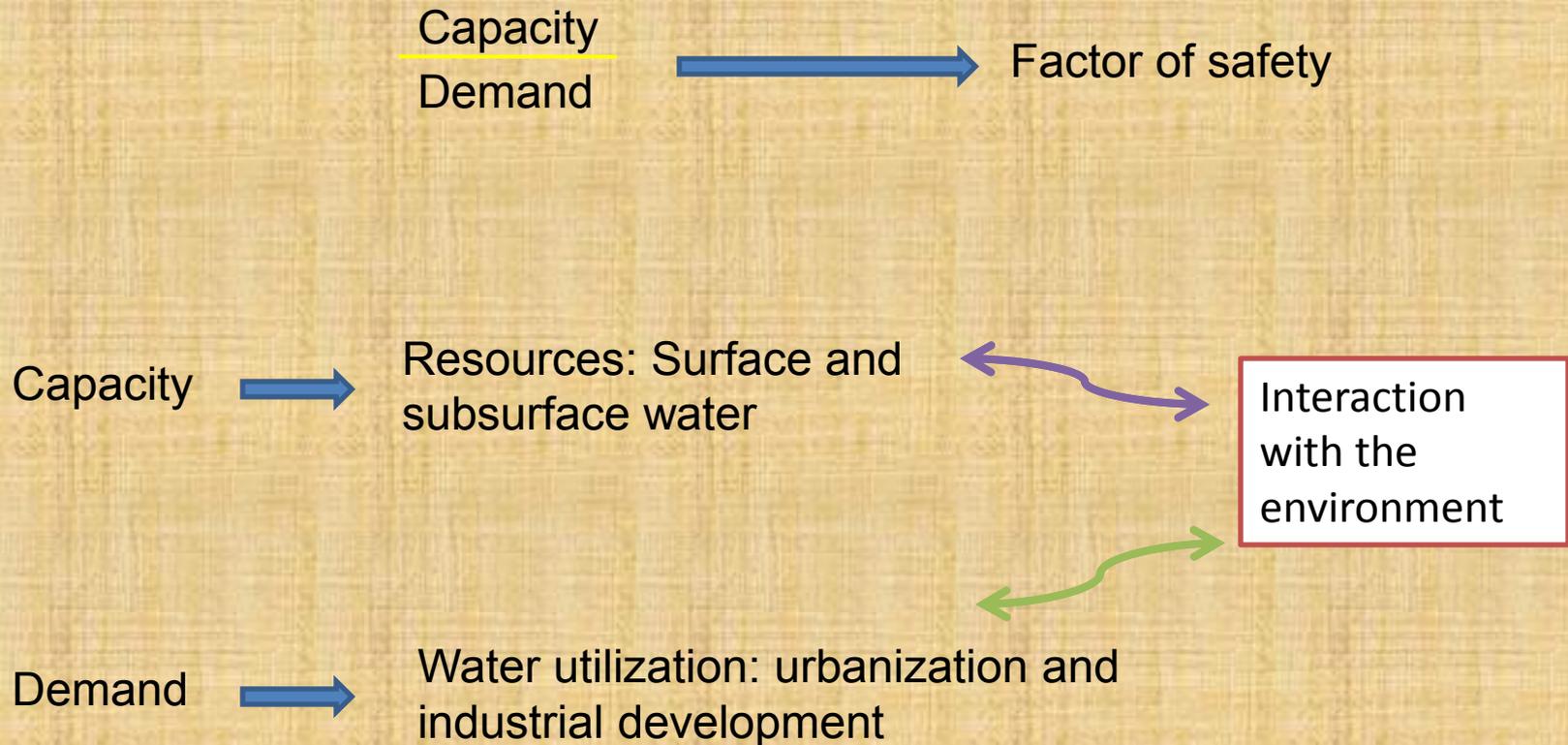
The area of very high vulnerability include some parts of Latha (Alluvial), Dagon (Valley-fill deposits), and Insein (Danyingone Clays)



Groundwater management tools

TECHNICAL TOOLS	0	1	2
Resource Assessment	Basic knowledge of aquifer	Conceptual model based on field data	Models linked to decision-support and used for planning and management

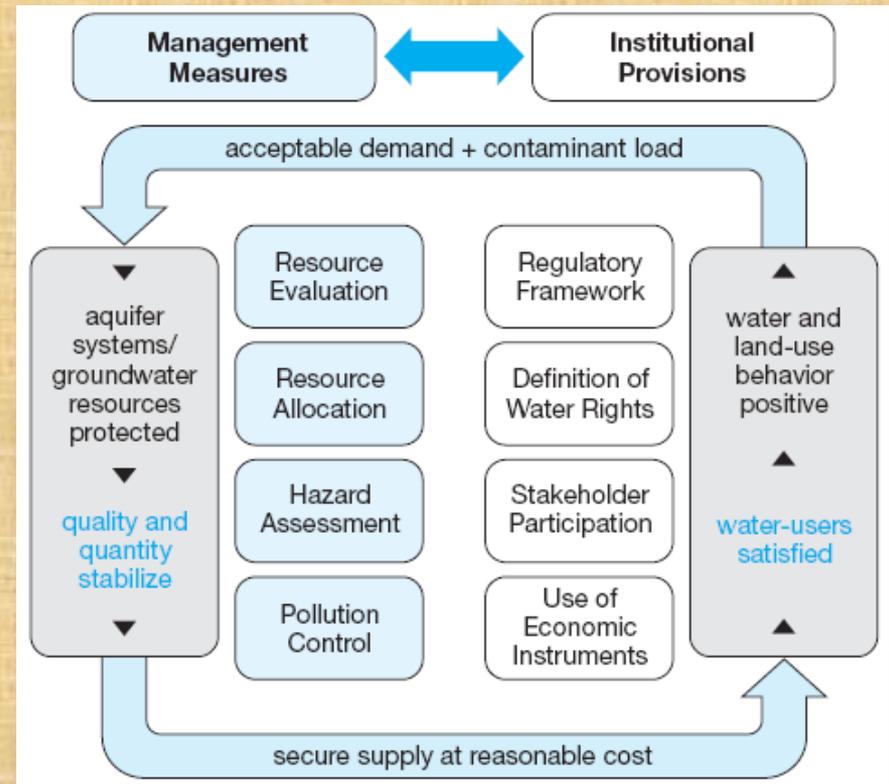
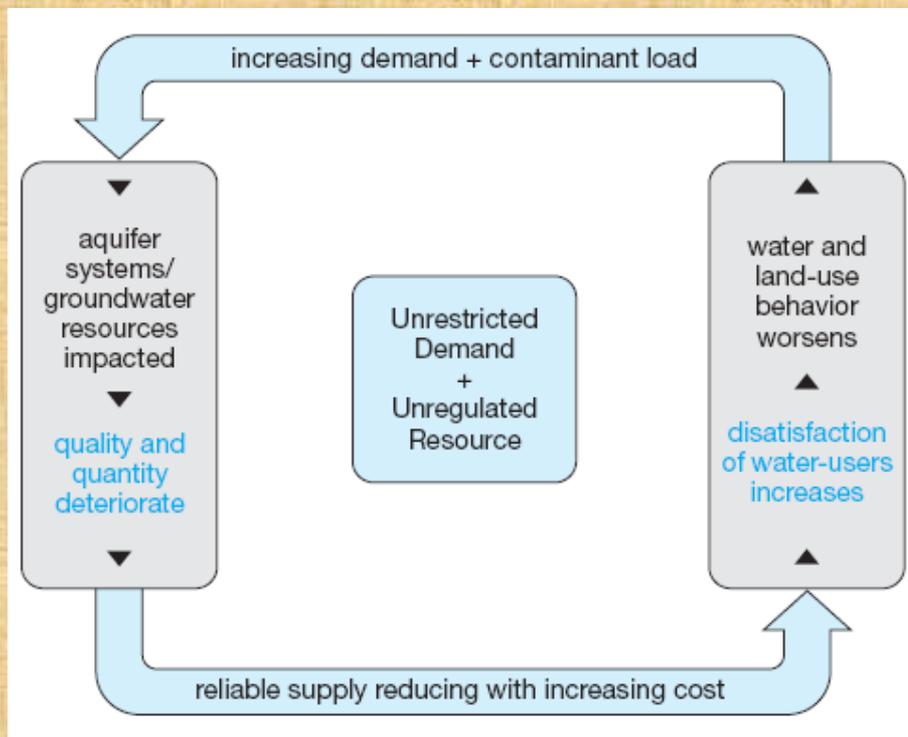
Management Process



Water shortage (4-5-2008) After Nargis



Challenge in groundwater use



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