



## Analysis of Drinking Water quality from the villages of Becharaji Taluka area, Mehsana District, Gujarat .India.

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## ABSTRACT

The present study is based on the analysis of drinking water quality of the different area. In this study the water samples were collected from ten different villages of Becharaji Taluka, Mehsana district Gujarat state, India. To determine the drinking water quality, the water samples were analyzed different kind of Physico-chemical parameters as like as pH, Total dissolved solids (TDS), Total Hardness (TH), Electrical conductivity (EC), Fluoride (F), Chloride (Cl), Calcium ( $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ ), Magnesium ( $\text{Mg}^{+2}$ ) and Alkalinity. After analysis the data were compared with the standard drinking water quality data of World Health organization (WHO), Bureau of Indian Standard (BIS) and ICMR. From the study it was observed that the most of parameter of the water sample were in the standard drinking water range but the TDS level in some sample found more than the desired limits. The aim of this study is to check the quality of drinking water and its safety for the health.

## KEYWORDS

Drinking water, parameter, standards, BIS, WHO, ICMR.

## Introduction:

It is necessary to know the quality of water for drinking purpose because good health depends on the quality of water. Water should be in prescribed limit for drinking purpose. It is well known fact that fresh and clean water is essential for healthy living. It is a basic need for all human beings on the earth. Yet it has been observed that the millions of people are deprived of this fresh water. Water is one of the most important and essential need for all living organism. But many areas of ground water and surface water gets polluted due to discharge of untreated waste, dumping of industrial effluents and run off from agriculture fields. Industrial growth, urbanization and excess uses of pesticides have serious and adverse impact on fresh water. The chemical formula of water is  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The water covers 71% part of the earth surface. It is the most natural source for human beings. In the human body water is major component. All the human activity in the day begins with water. Water plays most important role for the serving of human. Every person should get clean and fresh water. The most of the human diseases are spread from the using unsafe drinking water. The safe drinking water is essential for healthy life and development. There are many areas they depend on ground water for drinking and domestic purpose. The basic purpose of this study is to check the quality of drinking water and its safe use for health.

## Materials and Method:

## Study Area:

In this study the water samples were taken from 10 different villages of Becharaji taluka, Mehsana district Gujarat state of India. It is a religious place in North Gujarat. The latitude and longitude of Becharaji is 23.4989 and 72.0439.

## Sampling:

The water samples were collected from the different ten villages of Becharaji taluka area. For the collection of the water sample 1 lit. Capacity of polythene bottle with Stopper was used. Before sampling, the bottles were cleaned with 2% Nitric acid and then distilled water. After taking the samples, the bottles were kept in clean area, and then all the bottles were brought in to the lab for the analysis of different physico-chemical parameter.

## Experimental Method:

To determine the quality of drinking water the measurement of the pH is the first physico-chemical parameter. pH indicates whether the water is acidic, basic or neutral in nature. Drinking water should be in proper pH range. To measure the pH of the water sample the pH meter was calibrated by buffer solution using buffer tablet then the pH was measured by the pH meter. Total dissolved solids (TDS) were measured by TDS Meter. Before measuring the Electrical conductivity the digital conductometer was first standardized by KCl solution and then conductivity was measured. The other chemical properties such as Alkalinity, Cl, F,  $\text{Mg}^{+2}$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  and Total Hardness (TH) were measured by standard titrating method.

Table:1 Physico-chemical parameter data of the water sample of Different villages area.

Sample Nos.	Name of Village	pH	TDS (mg/l)	Ca	Cl	F	Mg (mg/l)	TH	EC	Alkalinity
S <sub>1</sub>	Ranela	7.7	1900	127	924.6	0.5	88.2	679.8	2900	223.6
S <sub>2</sub>	Dedarda	8.0	142	28.9	17.1	<0.1	10.2	114.3	530	112
S <sub>3</sub>	Ganbhu	7.8	138	28.5	17.6	0.12	10.8	115.4	430	112.6
S <sub>4</sub>	Modhera	7.9	1340	64.3	577.3	<0.1	38.6	319.3	2600	150.5
S <sub>5</sub>	Poyada	8.0	686	34.2	317.9	0.13	19.3	164.8	1440	116.1
S <sub>6</sub>	Nava delvada	8.1	130	26.8	14.7	<0.1	10.8	111.2	390	111.8
S <sub>7</sub>	Delvada	8.1	137	28	14.2	0.14	10.8	114.3	330	107.5
S <sub>8</sub>	Kalari	8.3	133	28.9	13.7	0.15	9.9	113.3	290	111.6
S <sub>9</sub>	Chadasan	8.0	130	28	13.7	0.1	11.1	115.4	320	114.2
S <sub>10</sub>	Asjol	7.7	1690	98	724	0.2	60.7	484.1	2500	184.9
Maximum		8.3	1900	127	924.6	0.5	88.2	679.8	2900	223.6
Minimum		7.7	130	26.8	13.7	0.1	9.9	111.2	290	107.5
Average		8.0	642.6	49.3	263.5	0.2	27.0	233.2	1173.0	134.5

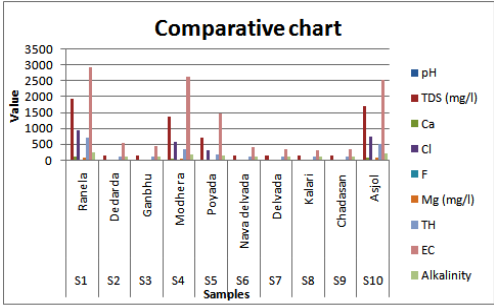


Table :2 Comparison of the Ground water quality with the standard drinking water as per BIS,WHO and ICMR.

Parameter	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Indian Standard (BIS)	WHO	ICMR
pH	7.7	8.3	8.0	6.5-8.5	7.0-8.0	7.0-8.5
TDS	130	1900	642.6	300	100	500
Ca	26.8	127	49.3	75	-	75
Cl	924.6	13.7	263.5	250	250	200
F	0.5	0.1	0.2	1	1	1
Mg	88.2	9.9	27.0	30	-	50
TH	679.8	111.2	233.2	200	-	300
EC	2900	290	1173.0	-	-	-
Alkalinity	223.6	107.5	134.5	-	-	-

Result and Discussion:

The physico- chemical analysis of water sample data is mentioned in the above Table No.1, and in Table No.2 this analyzed Ground water sample data are compared with the standard drinking water data of WHO, ICMR Indian Standards. The range of pH was found in 7.4 to 8.3. As per Indian standard limits is 6.5 to 8.5 so it was in the permissible limit. There was a variable change in The Electrical Conductivity (EC), Electrical conductivity is a measure of the ability of the water to conduct electricity .and it depends on TDS and inorganic materials as like as alkalis, sulfides and chloride. The most of the water sample the TDS value was found in the permissible limits but in out of three samples The TDS level was higher than the other samples. The Minerals value was found in the standard permissible but the amount was less than the required acceptable limits. The Fluoride value was in less than one .The range of Fluoride was in 0.1 to 0.5 and the range of Chloride was in 13 to 924. Chloride level was found higher than accept both were in the permissible limits.

Conclusion:

From the above physico-chemical analysis of water sample data it can be concluded that the most of the water samples collected from the villages of Becharaji taluka were in the permissible limits as per WHO, Indian Standard and ICMR but some of the water samples were found higher TDS value as per prescribed desirable limit. Higher TDS in water is not desirable for drinking purpose. similarly the Chloride level was found than the acceptable limit Drinking water with moderate amount of TDS is good for the health. As per standard, Fluoride was found in permissible limits. All the samples were clean and odourless.

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