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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Jamrani dam project envisages the construction of a 130.6m high, roller compacted concrete dam, with a central Ogee spillway of  $3630\text{M}^3/\text{Sec}$  capacity, on river Gola near village Jamrani ( $29^{\circ}16'00''$ ;  $79^{\circ}36'36''$ ; 530/11), about 10km upstream of Kathgodam barrage in district Nainital, U.P. On completion, the dam would impound a reservoir of  $208.6 \times 10^6\text{m}^3$  capacity. The installation of a hydel power station, of 15 MW capacity, downstream of the dam, is also under consideration.

2. The Bhabar belt of district Nainital has limited ground water potential and the Gola river is the only available source of water for agriculture, drinking and industrial purposes. The lean season flow of the river Gola is barely sufficient to meet the present drinking water need of the area. During the summer months, the area faces acute shortage of water which may become worse in the years to come. Therefore, the project, a vital requirement of the area, envisages storage of the monsoon discharge of the river Gola for providing assured supplies for irrigation and drinking purposes in bhabar and part of Tarai, lying in Nainital, Bareilly and Rampur districts.

3. Geological investigations for the project were commenced in 1973 and various sites and proposals for the type of dam were considered. The Planning Commission had earlier approved the construction of a rockfill dam with an upstream concrete membrane at the Jamrani site. But, in October 1984, the Board of Consultants for the project favoured a roller compacted concrete dam at the site, which is now technically cleared by the Central Water Commission.

4. During the field season 1988-89, the geological investigations of the project were continued in pursuance of item No. EG/530/NR/UP/73/73 of the approved field Annual Programme of the Geological Survey of India, Northern Region, Lucknow. During the period under report,



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Abstract

It is proposed to construct a 130.60m high dam across river Gola, mainly for irrigation, drinking water needs and generating about 15 MW of power. The rocks occurring around the dam site are mainly sandstone, claystone/clayshale, siltstone and pseudoconglomerate of Lower Siwalik Formation. Farther towards north of the site, these rocks lie in juxtaposition with basic rocks and granite along the Main Boundary Fault (MBF). Detailed geological mapping of the fault zone near Amritpur ( $29^{\circ}17'46''$ ;  $79^{\circ}33'56''$ ; 530/11) was carried out to study the nature of the contact.

In the dam site area, exploratory drilling to evaluate the foundation conditions are in progress. The result of exploratory data reveal that the depth of bed rock in the river section is in the range of 11-21m. The bed rock encountered include fine to medium-grained sandstone (having low strength) and bands of clayshale and siltstone. Differential thermal analysis and X-ray analysis for determination of mineral constituents of the various clayshale/ claystone bands have been carried out. A brief account of the possibilities of Reservoir Induced Seismicity (RIS) has been furnished in the report.

the author devoted 115 days for field work in the project area. The total quantum of work accomplished during the period includes detailed geological logging of drill holes aggregating to 292m in length, and geological mapping of 0.057 sq.km. area on 1:500 scale.

5. Shri L.P. Lhouncial, Director General, Geological Survey of India visited the Jamrani dam site on 5.9.88 after his visit to Nainital in connection with a seminar on "Issue of drinking water in Hill Region". Shri Lhouncial evinced keen interest in the geological set up of the project. The author explained to him the regional tectonic set up, geology of the dam site and likely foundation problems of the project site. The DG, GSI advised the author to take up detailed studies along the Main Boundary Fault zone, including petrographic examination of the rocks in the contact together with the studies of sedimentary structures around the project area. The studies were taken up as desired and are discussed in this report.

6. The geological investigations were carried out and the writing up of the report has been accomplished under the guidance of Shri G. Pant, Director, Engineering Geology Division-3, Geological Survey of India, Northern Region, Lucknow. Shri Pant inspected the geological work in progress at the dam site on 17.4.89 and 21.7.89.

## II. REGIONAL GEOLOGY

7. The regional geology of the project area is already discussed in the previous reports on the project and, therefore, not being repeated in this report. However, briefly stated, the Jamrani dam site is located on the Lower Siwalik sandstone-siltstone-claystone sequence which is truncated by the Main Boundary Fault (MBF) towards north and is bound by the Bhabar talus fans towards the south. The Amritpur granite, which is generally greyish, medium to coarse grained, locally grading into quartz porphyry, occurs towards north of the MBF.



8. In the Jamrani Project area the MBF, which is a major tectonic feature of the Himalaya, trends WNW-ESE and dips steeply towards NE direction. Many Geologists believe that the Fault is reactivated in geologically recent time. In the western part of Kumaon Himalaya neotectonic activity along the MBF has been noted by Krishnaswamy et al (1970) and Jalote\*\*(1966). Valdiya\*\*\* et al(1984) observed some geomorphic developments in the Balia nala, indicative of neotectonic activity along the fault in that nala section. In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that geodetic precision levelling across the MBF may be initiated to monitor the movement along it, if any. The geodetic precision levelling is normally conducted by the Survey of India, Lehraun who could be contacted for further necessary action in the matter.

### III. GEOLOGY ALONG THE MAIN BOUNDARY FAULT

9. The main boundary fault (M.B.F.) is exposed about 3.5km upstream of the Jamrani dam site in the reservoir area and about 8km downstream of the site, near Amritpur village ( $29^{\circ}17'46''$ ;  $79^{\circ}33'56''$ ; 530/11). Detailed geological mapping of the M.B.F. zone, near Amritpur village was carried out on 1:500 scale, covering 0.0157 sq.km. area (Plate-II) to evaluate the nature of the fault in detail. Near the village basic rock, phyllite, quartzite and grey-coloured medium to coarse grained granite (Amritpur Granite) lie in juxtaposition with alternate sequence of sandstone, clayshale siltstone, and pseudoconglomerate of (Lower Siwalik along the Main Boundary Fault).

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\*\*Jalote, P.M. (1966): "Some observations on recent movements along Krol thrust, Rajpur, Lehradun. Proc 3rd Symp. Earthquake Engineering, Roorkee University, Roorkee.

\*\*\*Valdiya, K.S. et al (1984): "Geomorphologic Levelopment across the active boundary thrust, an example from Nainital hills in Kumaon Himalaya, Joul. Geol. Soc. India V(25) 12, 1984.

10. The general trend of the Siwalik rocks near the Fault is  $N75^{\circ}E-S75^{\circ}W$  and they dip about  $75^{\circ}$  towards NW. The Siwalik sandstone, exposed near the thrust zone is mainly medium to coarse-grained, having accessory mineral assemblage of muscovite, garnet, tourmaline and biotite, showing preferred orientation parallel to bedding. Various sedimentary structures, such as current bedding, graded bedding are at places, displaced by a set of minor faults transverse to the MBF. These faults trend mainly in  $N20^{\circ}-30^{\circ}E$  direction and dip  $60^{\circ}-80^{\circ}$  towards NE. The Lower Siwalik rocks at the location are followed by a zone of sheared quartzite (with manifestations of iron leaching in about 10-15m wide zone), lenses of quartzite (vein quartz) within highly pulverised schists phyllite, basic rocks (?) and granite. In the area covered by the mapping the following sequence of lithounits is encountered (Plate-II).

North

Amritpur Granite	Coarse-grained granite, Amphibolite(?) purple schist/ phyllite.
Main Boundary Fault Zone	Sheared quartzite   20-30m siltstone/clayshale
Lower Siwalik Formation	Sandstone with elongated grains, claystone Medium-grained sandstone Clayshale (Chocolate/Red-coloured) Coarse-grained sandstone

South

11. The thrust zone of 20-30m width is manifested by shearing, elongation of mineral grains in Siwalik, pulverised schist/phyllite and development of stretched lenses of vein quartz of Amritpur granite. Rock samples from within the Fault zone area, collected to study the microscopic features had been forwarded to the Petrology Division, GSI, N. Lucknow and the results are still awaited.

#### IV. GEOLOGY OF THE DAM SITE

12. The dam site is located on the lower Siwalik rocks of the outer Himalaya, which are separated from the lesser Himalayan rocks, farther towards North by the Main Boundary Fault. Detailed geological mapping of the dam site area, on 1:1000 scale was carried out initially by Shri H.M. L. during the field season 1976-77 and subsequently by Shri K. Anbalagan during 1981-84 and 1985-86 (Plate-III). The mapping has revealed that the dam site area is occupied by an alternate sequence of sandstone, siltstone and clayshale. The sandstone is generally grey to brown in colour, micaceous, fine to coarse-grained and occasionally friable due to poor cementation and sometimes calcareous. The clayshale exposed at the site is grey, brown and purple in colour and is generally weathered near the surface with many shrinkage cracks. The bands of micaceous siltstone are generally dark grey, moderately hard and well cemented. The rocks exposed at the dam site generally strike NW-SE with dip of  $30^{\circ}$ - $50^{\circ}$  in north-east direction, i.e., upstream.

13. The rock exposures on the right bank at the dam site are more abundant than on the left bank which is largely covered by debris/thick vegetation with very scant outcrops. The continuity of bands of sandstone, siltstone and clayshale from one bank of the river to the other is not visible. In order to determine whether or not the bands of sandstone, siltstone and clayshale exposed on the right bank (Plate-III) match with those exposed on the left bank, theoretical traces of some selected clayshale bands A, B, C and D (Plate-III) were drawn and projected on the left bank. The projected trace of clayshale band 'A' fell on the slide debris and hence could not be correlated. The trace of band 'B' exposed on the right bank nearly corresponded to the clayshale band exposed in a gully section on the left bank. Similarly, the trace of the band 'C' also correspond to one clayshale band exposed on the left bank. Hence, the continuity of the rock bands is more



or less established, which points out that there is no lateral displacement of the bands along the course of river. Though, quite a few such bands could be traced/correlated on either banks but, due to lateral facies variations in the rocks, some other bands of claystone and siltstones tend to attenuate and could not be traced/correlated on the other bank. In order to determine the mineral constituents present in various claystone bands exposed at the dam site, the X-ray and Differential Thermal Analysis (D.T.A.) were carried out on ten samples of clayshales. The objective of the analysis was to ascertain whether or not expansive clays (such as montmorillonite) which because of their swelling properties, under saturation, are harmful are present in the clayshale bands. The samples from the clayshale bands (plate-III) were collected and the analysis was made by the Mineral Physics Division, Northern Region, Geological Survey of India, Lucknow. The results of the tests indicate presence of montmorillonite in three bands (II, III and IV) of claystone/clayshale. However, the mineral occurs only in trace amount and its presence in the dam foundation may not be significant. The complete report of the X-ray and D.T.A. is furnished in appendices III and IV of this report.

#### V. SUB-SURFACE EXPLORATIONS

15. Subsurface explorations at the dam site, for obtaining data on the various components of the project, proposed from time to time, were commenced in 1973. In all, 29 drill holes, ranging from 15.50m to 100m in depth and aggregating 1033m length have been completed upto the end of programme under report, i.e. 1988-89 (plate-III). A summarised account of the data obtained from the different holes, completed so far, is furnished in Appendix-II of this report. For further details of any particular hole, if required, the concerned report may be consulted.

16. In order to obtain further detailed information about the foundation-grade geology at the dam site, an elaborate programme of sub-surface explorations was chalked out during

during the field season 1987-88 (Anbagan, 1987). A number of holes classified into category A, B and C were recommended priority-wise. During the period under report, four drill holes (Nos. A-30, 31, 34 and 35) of the exploratory programme were completed at the dam site. A brief account of these drill holes is given below and their detailed geological logs are furnished in plate VI to plate IX.

17. In the description of the drill holes, the term RQD (Rock quality designation), as defined by Deere (1968), is modified procedure for indicating core recovery/quality of rock intersected in the holes. Pieces equal to or longer than 100 mm in length are counted and reported as percentage of the total run. The RQD ranges upto 25%, 25-50%, 50-75%, 75-90% and 90-100% correspond to very poor, poor, fair, good and excellent rock respectively.

The rock mass met with in the drill hole(s) does not exhibit any visible sign of weathering. Only occasional limonitic staining along divisional planes is observed. Therefore, the bedrock intersected in the drill holes is designated as fresh. The bed rock permeability, determined by single/double packer method has been computed in terms of 'Lugeon' which is defined as the water loss in litres/meter/minute at pressure of  $10 \text{ kg/cm}^2$ , maintained for 10 minutes. One lugeon corresponds approximately to a permeability of  $10^{-5} \text{ cm/sec}$ .

LH-30(A-4)

18. The hole was located at an elevation 687.54m on the right abutment along the dam axis. It was drilled down to a depth of 70m vertically. It encountered overburden down to 21.40m depth. Thereafter, Lower Siwalik sedimentary rocks comprising alternate bands of coarse, medium and fine-grained sandstone, claystone and siltstone of varying thickness were encountered. In general, the fine to medium grained, well cemented, hard and compact sandstone constitutes about 43% of the total depth drilled. The maximum apparent thickness of the bands being 17m.



Coarse to very coarse sandstone/sandrock has poorly interlocked mineral grains and thus has low strength. This constitutes about 29% of the total depth of the hole. The siltstone and clayshale bands are grey or red in colour and vary in thickness from 30cm to 4.2m. Siltstone and clayshale bands together form about 23% of the total depth of the hole. These bands are generally soft and become plastic under saturated conditions. The percentage core recovery in the hole is generally between 70-90% but ranges from 20 to 100%. The RQD is generally fair (50-75%) to good (75-90%). It is, however, poor from 34-36m and 8.5 to 9m depth. This is mainly due to the presence of softer siltstone and clayshale bands. The bedrock permeability in the hole range from 1 to 41 lugeon (Plate-VI).

DH-31 (B-4)

19. The grill hole, located at an elevation of 635.34m in the river bed on the left flank, 25m downstream of the dam axis, was drilled vertically upto a depth of 71.15m and encountered overburden down to 20.10m depth. Thereafter, alternate bands of coarse sandstone/sandrock, medium to fine-grained sandstone, siltstone and clayshale of varying thickness were encountered. The coarse sandstone/sandrock, which has low strength, together constitute 24.87%, while, well cemented and hard bands of fine to medium-grained sandstone constitute about 51% of the bedrock. The siltstone and clayshale bands are grey in colour and occur in small bands, ranging in thickness from 20cm to 3.30m. The siltstone and clayshale bands together form about 21% of the bedrock intersected in the hole (Plate-VII). The percentage core recovery in the rock ranges from 61 to 100% and generally is over 80-85%. In general, the RQD is poor (25-50%) to fair (50-75%). The bedrock permeability in the hole ranges from 1 to 25 lugeon.

LH-34 (B-2)

20. The drill hole was located at an elevation of 636.40m on the left bank of the river, along the dam axis and was drilled vertically down to 70.75m depth. It encountered overburden material down to 12.75m depth and, thereafter, bands of coarse sandstone/sandrock, medium to fine-grained sandstone, siltstone/ and clayshale were encountered.

The total percentage of hard compact, fine to medium-grained sandstone in the hole is 44.16% while that of softer bands of coarse sandstone/ sandrock, claystone and siltstone is 28.62%, and 20% and 7.5% respectively. The percentage core recovery in the hole, though ranging from 62% to 100%, in the rock section, is generally more than 90%. The RCL is generally fair (50-75%) to good (75-90%), but in some reaches, as between 12m to 16m, 58m to 61m and 67m to 70m, it is poor to very poor. The bedrock permeability in the hole ranges from less than 1 to 33 lugeon (plate-VII).

LH-35 (A-3)

21. The drill hole was located at an elevation of 638.19m in the riverbed on the left bank of the river along the dam axis. It was drilled vertically down to a depth of 70.50m. The overburden comprising river borne material was encountered in the hole from the surface down to 17.15m. Thereafter, the bedrock comprising bands of coarse sandstone/sandrock medium to fine sandstone, siltstone and clayshale was encountered. The fine to medium-grained sandstone is hard, well cemented and has good strength and constitute about 50% of rock section in the hole. The percentage of coarse sandstone/ sandrock is 24% while that of siltstone and clayshale put together is about 25%. The percentage core recovery is in general 70-95% but ranges from 7-97%. In one reach, between 51-54m, it is 7.3% and it may be due to presence of soft sandrock. The RCL in the hole varies between very poor, (0-25%) to good (75-90%). The 'NIL' RCL obtained at places.

is attributed to shrinkage cracks in clayshale/siltstone. The bed rock permeability in the hole ranges from less than 1 to 5 lugeon (Plate-IX).

22. In the total length (282.40m) of drilling, accomplished so far in the holes described above, the percentage of well cemented, compact, fine to medium-grained sandstone ranges from 40-50% while coarse-grained sandrock and siltstone and clayshale constitute 25-30% and 8-20% respectively.

#### VI. TEST GROUTING

23. Result of the test grouting, carried out during the field season 1985-86 at the cam site on a plot of 3mx3m in square pattern had indicated, that the grout intake ranges from 10-33.3 kg/m. Stage-wise, the average grout intake was 14.6kg/m for 5-8m stage, 26.8kg/m for 8-11m stage. The efficacy of grouting was determined to be 96.5% and 53.4% in 8-11m stage and 11-14m stage, respectively.

24. However, as the test grouting carried out earlier is inadequate to arrive at a conclusive value, it is recommended that more grouting tests be conducted in a test plot, on sandstone unit, preferably within the cam seat area. A test plot 6mx6m in square pattern may be prepared and the inspection hole may be drilled at the centre of the square. Thereafter, pre and post-grouting permeability values may be determined in the inspection hole in different test stages to ascertain the efficacy of grouting/ cement intake/m etc. In case reduction of permeability is not obtained by the adopted spacing of the primary holes, the same may be reduced to 3m and so on to achieve the lugeon value within the limit considered permissible.



## VII. RESERVOIR INDUCED SEISMICITY

25. The seismicity, associated with the impoundment of water in large artificial reservoirs has been the focus of attention during the last few decades. This phenomenon is known as the "Reservoir Induced Seismicity" (RIS). Several scientists have attempted to correlate various factors with incidence of some earthquake as due to reservoir impoundment. Some of these factors are Reservoir water load, Pore pressure, Geological conditions, Background seismicity Height of water level etc. However, a definite correlation of the factors has still not been firmly established. To-day, if there are a few tens of dams exhibiting the phenomenon of RIS, there are hundreds others which have not shown any such thing. At the Jamrani dam project, the following factors seem to indicate that the RIS phenomenon may not be much of a significance.

26. In the Jamrani dam reservoir area, the sandstone, interbedded with clayshale and siltstone (Lower Siwalik) occupy a large area and dip upstream. Under deformation, such (plastic) rocks show settlement without producing vibrations.

27. The geological environment of the Jamrani dam is, thus, characterised by mainly plastic clayshale, siltstone and sandstone and may not materially alter the stress distribution subsequent to creation of the reservoir. It may be noted that the dams like Bhakra, Pong, Ramganga, constructed on similar rock types have not registered any RIS.

28. The background value of seismicity in the area and the height of water column of the proposed 130m high Jamrani dam is identical to that of several other executed projects in Himalayan terrain. The 225m high, straight gravity Bhakra dam on river Sutlej founded on lower Siwalik Sandstone, clayshale, siltstone sequence, which impounds a large reservoir, since 1962 has not shown any RIS.

Similarly, the 132m high Beas dam and 128m high Kamganga dam, both earth and rockfill, in operation since 1974, are founded on middle/upper Siwalik and middle Siwalik, respectively, have also not shown any RIS.

#### VIII. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

29. The Jamrani Multipurpose dam project envisages the construction of a 130.60m high, roller-compacted concrete dam across river Gola in Nainital district, U.P. for irrigation and drinking water purposes and generation of 15 MW of power.

30. Rocks occurring at and around the dam site are coarse to fine-grained sandstone, interbedded with siltstone and clayshale, belonging to the Lower Siwalik Formation. The bedding in the rock generally strike NW-SE with  $30^{\circ}$ - $50^{\circ}$  dips in north-east direction, i.e. upstream which is a favourable disposition. The Siwalik formation lie in contact with Amritpur Granite exposed farther towards north of the dam site. The contact between the two rock types is marked by the Main Boundary Fault. Detailed geological mapping of the fault zone in Amritpur area has revealed that the contact is sheared, and elongation of mineral grains in Siwalik sandstone is evident at the contact.

31. A few workers have reported neotectonic activity along the Main Boundary Fault, farther towards west of the dam area. It is recommended that geodetic precision levelling across the trace of the MBF may be initiated in the area so that the activity, if any, could be monitored.

32. Continuity of some of the bands of clayshale exposed at the dam site, on the right bank of the river has been established by theoretical completion of outcrop method. But, quite a few of the bands are not traceable across the river due to lateral facies variations. The L.T.A. and X-ray analyses were carried out for mineral constituents present in clayshale bands at the dam site. The presence of montmorillonite in traces determined in three bands only is considered insignificant.



33. The exploratory drilling aggregating to 282.40m, completed in the dam site area during the period under report, reveal that the percentage of well-cemented, compact, fine to medium grained sandstone ranges from 40-50%, while the coarse-grained sandstone/sandrock and siltstone/clayshale constitute 25-30% and 8-20% respectively. The RQL of the bedrock ranges from very poor to good and the permeability values are in the range between 1 to 10 lugeon. The bedrock metwith in the drill hole is generally fresh. No sign of weathering is recorded in the core except occasional limonitic leaching along joint planes.

34. It is recommended that test grouting may be conducted with a 6m square pattern and an inspection hole in the centre and the pre and post-grouting permeability be calculated. In case reduction in permeability is not recorded with the 6m spacing of the holes, the same may be reduced to obtain permeability values within the limit considered permissible.

35. A preliminary assessment indicate that the proposed reservoir may not show any significant incidence of the R.I.S. phenomenon.

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**JAMRANI DAM PROJECT**  
**SUMMARY OF DRILL HOLE DATA**  
(COMPILED BY I. B. SHARMA & S. 1988-89)

SL. NO.	DRILL HOLE NO.	ANGLE WITH VERTICAL	YEAR OF DRILLING	COLLAR ELEVATION (m)	LOCATION	DEPTH OF HOLE (m)	DEPTH OF OVERBURDEN (m)	DEPTH OF WEATHERING (m)	FRESH ROCK ELEVATION	ROCK TYPE	RANGE OF PERMEABILITY (Darcy)	WATER TABLE (m)	RANGE OF CORRECTION (%)	DEPTH OF SHEAR ZONE	REMARKS	REPORT REFERENCE
1	DH-1	VERTICAL	1972-73	625.60	CENTRE OF RIVER, DAM AXIS	59.89	19.89	1.10	624.61	ALTERNATING BEDDING OF SLATONITE, SLTSTONE AND SANDSTONE	3-4	7.58	13-55			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1972-73 (JAMRA-1982)
2	DH-2	VERTICAL	1972-73	625.34	LEFT BANK OF RIVER, DAM AXIS	39.81	17.81	-	625.53	MEDIUM GRAINED MICACIOUS SANDSTONE	11-14	7.58	12-55			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1972-73 (JAMRA-1982)
3	DH-3	VERTICAL	1972-73	627.97	RIGHT BANK OF RIVER, DAM AXIS	39.42	5.18	-	628.39	FINO TO COARSE SANDSTONE WITH GREY CLAY STONE, BEDDING OF CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE	11-18	3.40	12-67		DRILL HOLE IN RIVER BED AND ON THE ABUTMENT	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1972-73 (JAMRA-1982)
4	DH-4	VERTICAL	1973-74	692.94	RIGHT ABUTMENT	35.05	4.57	-	698.00	FINE TO COARSE SANDSTONE WITH BEDS OF SLTSTONE AND SLTSTONE	-	-	12-90	BETWEEN 20-10 m AND 30-20 m	DRILL HOLE BEING LOCATED NEAR CLAY TO THE HILL SLOPE, THE DEPTH OF WEATHERING CAN NOT BE TAKEN AS REPRESENTATIVE	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1973-74 (JAMRA-1982)
5	DH-5	VERTICAL	1973-74	674.14	LEFT ABUTMENT	45.72	3.64	8.15	661.91	MEDIUM TO COARSE SANDSTONE WITH BEDDING OF CLAYSTONE, SLTSTONE AND SLTSTONE	-	-	12-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1973-74 (JAMRA-1982)
6	DH-6	VERTICAL	1974-75	628.90	RIVER BED NEAR 100% OF LEFT DAM SLICE	55.28	19.81	8.81	607.24	BROWN CLAYSTONE, SANDSTONE, AND GREY FINE-GRANULATED	-	-	12-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
7	DH-7	VERTICAL	1974-75	670.30	NEAR LEFT PORTAL DIVERSION TUNNEL	48.46	-	21.33	648.99	SANDSTONE, GREY CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE (FACIES - CONSIDERABLE)	-	-	11-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
8	DH-8	VERTICAL	1974-75	627.25	CENTRE OF RIVER BED, 200 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	51.50	20.40	10.10	626.35	SANDSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE	-	-	12-61		AT EARLY PROPOSED CONCRETE MEASUREMENT DAM	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
9	DH-9	VERTICAL	1974-75	636.82	LEFT BANK, ABOUT 500 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	99.00	23.15	1.09	634.63	SANDSTONE, BROWN CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE	-	-	12-54			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
10	DH-10	VERTICAL	1976-77	626.25	RIGHT BANK, 200 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	99.40	18.74	-	625.51	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE, CLAYSTONE (1) AND SLTSTONE (2)	-	-	12-61	BETWEEN 10-10 m AND 20-20 m		H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1976-77 (JAMRA-1982)
11	DH-11															
12	DH-12	VERTICAL	1974-75	708.27	LEFT BANK NEAR OF MILLARY NEAR 200 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	88.50	-	9.27	699.00	CONGLOMERATE, SLTSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE (2)	-	-	12-64	BETWEEN 10-10 m AND 20-20 m		H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
13	DH-13	VERTICAL	1974-75	711.45	LEFT BANK SLICE, CLOSE TO RIGHT PORTAL, 100 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	100.00	19.50	28.10	663.45	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE (2)	-	-	12-100	STRESS 200-100 m AND 30-20 m		H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1974-75 (JAMRA-1982)
14	DH-14	VERTICAL	1976-77	127.80	TUNNEL ALIGNMENT AND TUNNEL ZONE, 80 M. DOWNSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	51.00	-	7.10	120.90	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	-	-	-		AT PROPOSED TUNNEL ALIGNMENT	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1976-77 (JAMRA-1982)
15	DH-15															
16	DH-16															
17	DH-17															
18	DH-18	VERTICAL	1976-77		RIGHT PORTAL, DIVERSION TUNNEL	640.00	-	1.08		SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	-	-	-		AT PROPOSED TUNNEL ALIGNMENT	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1976-77 (JAMRA-1982)
19	DH-19															
20	DH-20	VERTICAL	1976-77	670.91	LEFT BANK, 200 M. DOWNSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	10.00	-	4.28	670.42	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	-	-	-		AT PROPOSED TUNNEL ALIGNMENT	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1976-77 (JAMRA-1982)
21	DH-21	VERTICAL	1976-77	692.92	DAM AXIS, LEFT ABUTMENT	10.00	8.95	-	693.87	MEDIUM GRAINED SANDSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE	11-15	-	12-100		TOH. SAND. 10-10 m AT 200 M. 80 M.	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1976-77 (JAMRA-1982)
22	DH-22															
23	DH-23															
24	DH-24															
25	DH-25	VERTICAL	1982-83	694.77	DAM AXIS, RIGHT ABUTMENT	18.54	1.80	-	696.57	MEDIUM GRAINED SANDSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND SLTSTONE	2-12	-	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1982-83 (JAMRA-1982)
26	DH-26	VERTICAL	1982-83	708.27	NEAR DIVERSION TUNNEL, 100 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	20.00	9.80	-	718.07	SANDSTONE, CLAYSTONE, SLTSTONE AND SANDSTONE	8-10	-	21-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1982-83 (JAMRA-1982)
27	DH-27	VERTICAL	1980-81	648.50	RIGHT BANK ROAD, 30 M. UPSTREAM OF DAM AXIS	15.00	-	-	649.50	SANDSTONE - SLTSTONE 10-10 m	-	-	10-80		FOR DETERMINING DEGREE OF TUN. TESTS	H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1980-81 (JAMRA-1982)
28	DH-28															
29	A-5/DH-29	VERTICAL	1987-88	699.75	LEFT BANK, DAM AXIS, FRONT OF TUNNEL DO-1	10.50	1.25	9.04	679.02	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	11-15	-	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1987-88 (JAMRA-1982)
30	A-4/DH-30	VERTICAL	1987-88	697.54	RIGHT BANK, DAM AXIS, FRONT OF RIGHT DO-1	70.50	2.40	-	677.14	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	11-15	10.00	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1987-88 (JAMRA-1982)
31	B-4/DH-31	VERTICAL	1988-89	655.34	LEFT BANK, RIVER BED	71.00	20.10	-	676.44	SANDSTONE, SLTSTONE, CLAYSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	11-15	1.00	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1988-89 (JAMRA-1982)
32	B-3/DH-32															
33	A-2/DH-33															
34	B-2/DH-34	VERTICAL	1988-89	636.40	DAM AXIS, RIVER BED	70.75	12.25	-	683.45	SANDSTONE, COARSE TO FINE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	11-15	3.00	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1988-89 (JAMRA-1982)
35	A-3/DH-35	VERTICAL	1988-89	638.19	DAM AXIS, RIVER BED	70.50	-	-	620.04	SANDSTONE, COARSE TO FINE, SLTSTONE AND CLAYSTONE	11-15	3.00	10-100			H. N. DAVAL P.S. 1988-89 (JAMRA-1982)

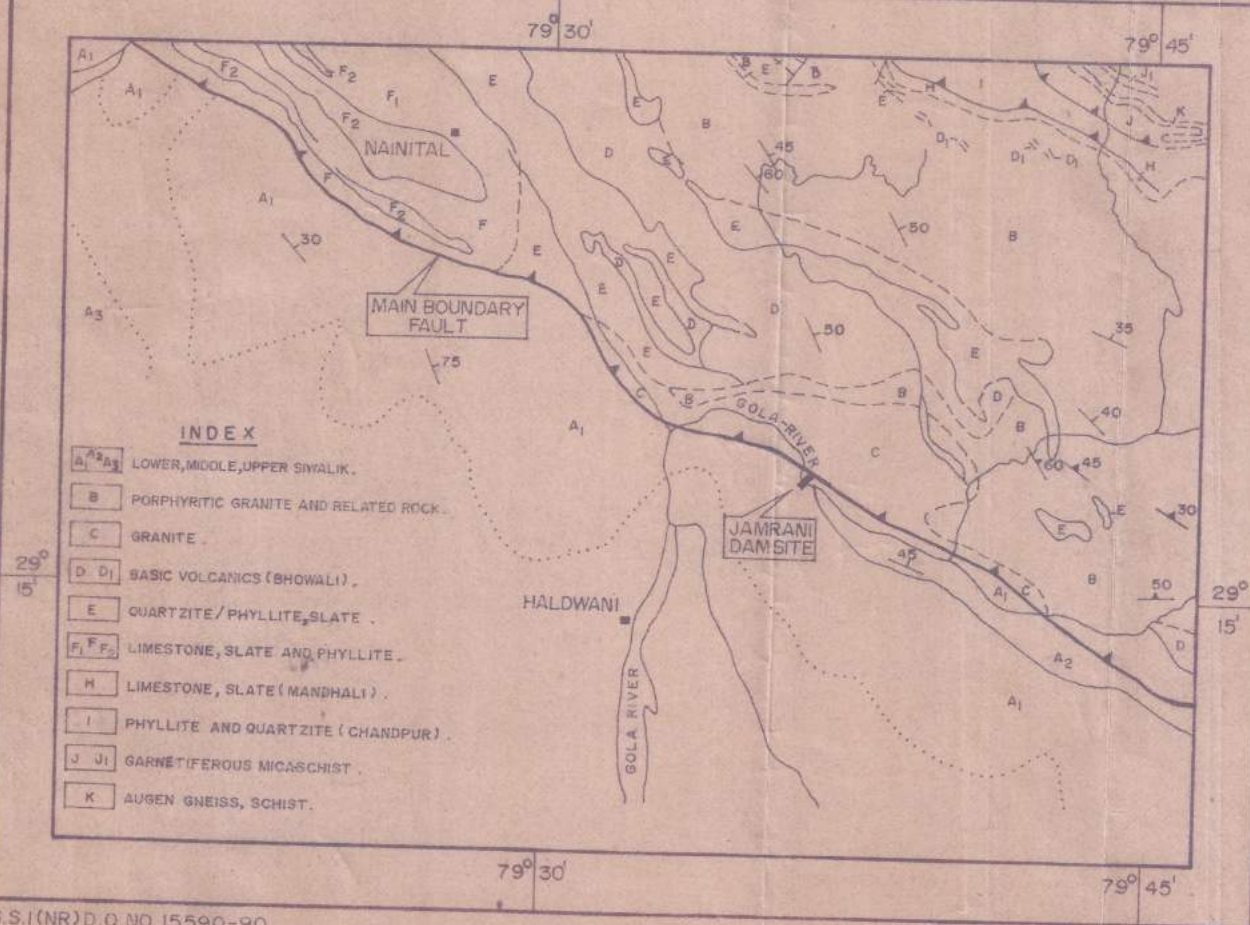
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# JAMRANI DAM PROJECT REGIONAL GEOLOGICAL PLAN AROUND THE DAM SITE

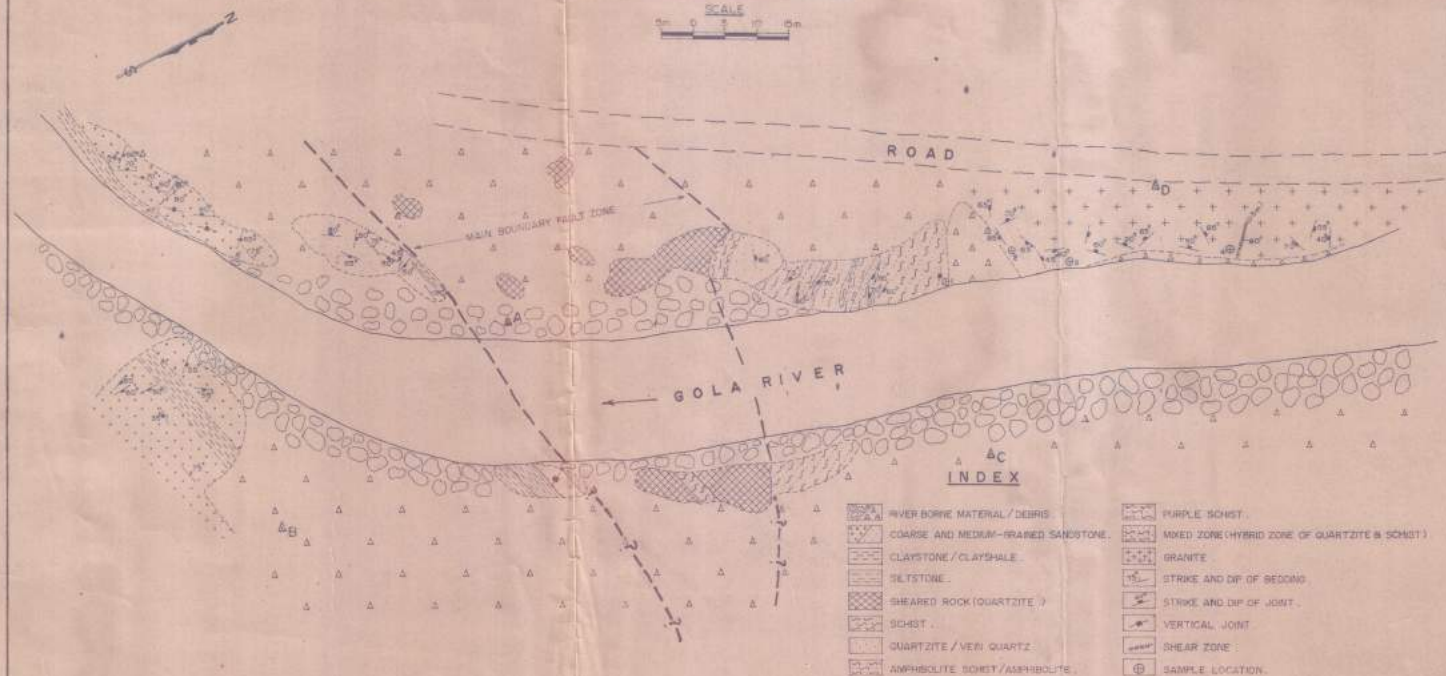
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# JAMRANI DAM PROJECT GEOLOGICAL MAP OF MAIN BOUNDARY FAULT ZONE (NEAR AMRITPUR, DISTRICT, NAINITAL)



# JAMRANI DAM PROJECT GEOLOGICAL MAP OF THE DAM SITE

(CALCULATED BY MERRILL L. BROWN, JR. & ASSOCIATES)

SCALE

1" = 100' 0" 200' 300' 400' 500'

## INDEX

- RIVER BORNE MATERIAL
- OVERBURDEN/ROCK DEBRIS
- SANDSTONE
- SILTSTONE
- CLAYSTONE
- DIP AND STRIKE OF BEDDING
- DIP AND STRIKE OF JOINT
- DRILL HOLE COMPLETED
- DRIFT
- LOCATION OF SAMPLE FOR STA & P-RAY SAMPLES
- THEORETICAL TRACK OF ROCK BANDS

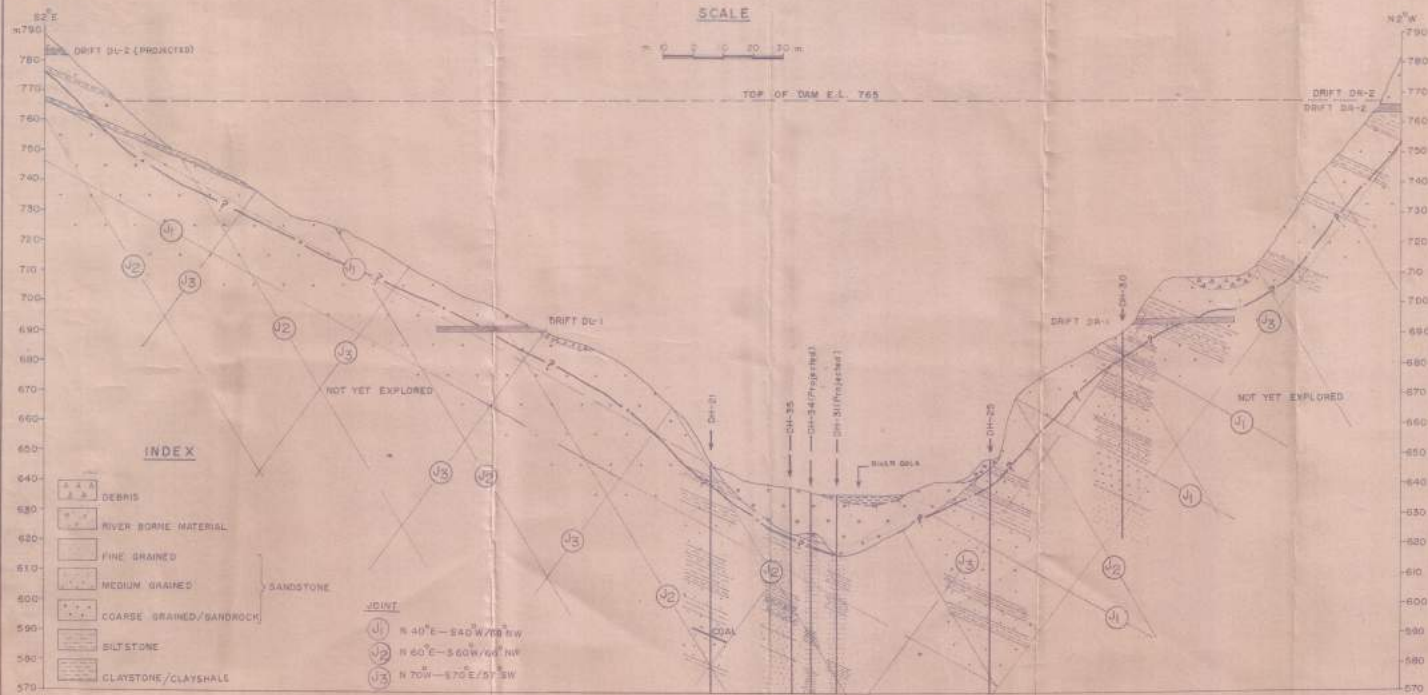
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# JAMRANI DAM PROJECT GEOLOGICAL SECTION ALONG THE DAM AXIS

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TOP OF DAM E.L. 765







# GEOLOGICAL LOG OF DRILL HOLE

PROJECT : Jamrani dam project

STATE : Uttar Pradesh

FEATURES : River bed upstream of dam  
date in dam tail area

STARTED : 14-5-89

CO-ORDINATES

COLLAR ELEVATION 635.34m

GROUND ELEVATION 635.16m

COMPLETED

HOLE NO : 04-3(B-4)

BEARING OF HOLE

ANGLE WITH HORIZONTAL : Vertical

TOTAL DEPTH : 71.15 m

ELEVATION (m)	LITHOLOGY		STRUCTURAL CONDITIONS	% CORE RECOVERY	GROUND LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	PERCOLATION TEST	SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS
	DESCRIPTION	LOG						
635.34								OVERBURDEN (0-20.0m) Overburden material comprising topsoil of Quaternary / Pleistocene / Holocene etc. extends from the surface down to the depth of 20.0m.
								ROCK (20.00 - 71.00) Lower coarse bedded sandstone is encountered from 20.0m down to complete thickness of of coarse Sandstone / Sandstone, medium to fine grained Sandstone, Siltstone and Claystone of varying thickness. No effect of weathering is observed and the rock is generally fresh. The coarse Sandstone / Sandstone has low strength mainly due to poor interlocking of mineral grains. The maximum thickness of coarse Sandstone horizon is 0.8m. The fine to medium grained Sandstone beds are well cemented and are composed about 50% of the rock section met with at the hole. The Siltstone and Claystone beds are gray in color and made of small sands ranging in thickness from 10 cm to 1.5m. The Siltstone and Claystone are generally soft and become plastic under saturated conditions. The percentage pore recovery in rock range from 81% to 100% and generally over 80-90%. In general the rock quality designation (RQD) is generally good (75-90%) to fair (50-75%).
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# GEOLOGICAL LOG OF DRILL HOLE.

PROJECT. Jamnani dam project.

HOLE NO. DH-34(B-2)

STATE. Uttar Pradesh.

CO-ORDINATES.

BEARING OF HOLE.

FEATURES. Dam site (left bank, river bed, downstream of dam axis)

COLLAR ELEVATION. 636.40m

ANGLE WITH HORIZONTAL. Vertical

STARTED. 8-6-89.

COMPLETED. 1-7-89.

TOTAL DEPTH. 70.75m

ELEVATION (m)	LITHOLOGY DESCRIPTION	LOG	STRUCTURAL CONDITIONS	SCORE RECOVERY (% of core)	CASINO RECOVERY (% of core)	WATER LEVEL	PERMEABILITY TEST RESULTS	SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS
636.40	Sand							OVERBURDEN 0-12.75m Blue some material (BAM) comprising boulders and pebbles of Quartzite, Granite, Phyllite, basic rock, Sandstone and pebbles of Sand encountered upto the depth of 12.75m. ROCK 0.75-70.75m The rock encountered after 0.75m depth are Fine to Medium grained Sandstone, Sandstone, Coarse Sandstone and beds of Claystone & Siltstone belonging to lower Ganga formation. The bed rock is generally break at the top of weathering is observed however fracture opening along some joints of depth was recorded. Fine to Medium grained Sandstone are hard, compact and well cemented occupying about 44% of the rock section in the hole, while friable/softer beds of Sandstone, Clay- stone and Siltstone altogether constitute 56% of the rock section. The permeability core recovery in rock is generally between 80-90% and has quality designation (K <sub>2</sub> D <sub>2</sub> ) is generally fair (50-75%) to good (75-85%) but in some of the recoveries as between 10-15%, 15-20% and 20-25% depth, it is poor to very poor BED ROCK PERMEABILITY The permeability test conducted at depths 0.75m and its permeability is generally between 10-20% depth 10-20% and in 30-40m depth, it is between 40-50% and between 45-60m depth, it is 50-60% Two cases of high permeability (K <sub>2</sub> D <sub>2</sub> ) at 31-34m and 47-70m, are interpreted. The thickness, % core recovery and the P.Q. are not in conformity with the presence of high permeable zone, hence it is recommended to further confirm the permeability in these zone with 10m test section interval to locate the permeable zone.
635.40	Overburden Sand Pebbles							
634.40	Fine grained Sandstone Claystone (some Siltstone) Red (dark claystone with some siltstone) Siltstone							
633.40	Claystone with some silt-stone							
632.40	Siltstone Claystone							
631.40	Very fine grained sandstone (Brown colour)							
630.40	Fine grained sandstone							
629.40	Sandstone							
628.40	Fine to medium grained sandstone (White colour) fragments of Siltstone & clay- stone/siltstone fragments							
627.40	Sandstone							
626.40	Medium to coarse grained sandstone sandstone (fairly cemented, massive having low strength)							
625.40	Sandstone							
624.40	Claystone							
623.40	Fine grained sandstone Siltstone Brown colour Siltstone Fine grained sandstone							
622.40	Medium to coarse grained sandstone (Coarse bedding prominent)							
621.40	Coarse grained sandy sandstone sandstone							
620.40	Chocolate colour claystone and siltstone							
619.40	Medium grained sandstone							

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## GEOLOGICAL LOG OF DRILL HOLE

PROJECT... Jamrari dam project

ANGLE WITH HORIZONTAL VERTICAL

STATE... Uttar Pradesh

CO-ORDINATES

HOLE NO.. A-3/DH-25

FEATURES... Left bank river bed  
along dam axis

COLLAR ELEVATION 636.19

BEARING OF HOLE

STARTED... 9-6-1989

COMPLETED... 7-8-1990

TOTAL DEPTH... 70m

TYPE OF BIT USED (WITH DEPTH)

ELEVATION	LITHOLOGY	LOG	STRUCTURAL CONDITIONS	LOG DESCRIPTION	CORRECTION IN LOG	CASING LOG	WATER LOG	PERMEATION TEST	REPORTED UNSATURATED WATER CONTENT	SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS
636.19	SAND AND PEBBLES									OVERBURDEN (0-17m) The overburden comprising the material (iron bone material) encountered from the surface down to 17m. The overburden is mostly boulders of quartzite, Phyllite, granite and sandstone etc. with few patches.
619.19	OVERBURDEN (0-17m)									BED ROCK (17-70m) The bedrock encountered in the drill hole comprises coarse-grained sandstone/sandstone, medium to fine grained micaceous sandstone and beds of claystone and siltstone. In general, the fine to medium-grained sandstone is well cemented and the coarse-grained sandstone / sandstone is friable. The bedrock encountered in the hole is generally free however ironstone bearing along joint planes is observed at many places. The thickness of siltstone/claystone met within the hole have thickness of 3.8m (between 30m and 34.60m) and 0.1m between 36.50m and 46.50m. The siltstone and claystone are generally grey in colour and soft and have low strength. The porosity core recovery in the drill hole is in the range of 75-80%. Between 50m and 54m depth the poor (75%) recovery may be attributed to some unknown cause in the rock which is still not fully established. The rock quality designation (RQD) is between very poor (10-25%) and poor (25-40%).
617.19	SANDSTONE FINE SANDSTONE									BED ROCK PERMEABILITY (Rate of water permeation from between 0.1m to 0.2m in length of the hole) is between 0.1 to 0.2 cm/sec. The permeability is generally the permeability of the rock is between 0.1 to 0.2 cm/sec.
615.19	SILTSTONE									
613.19	FINE TO MEDIUM SANDSTONE									
611.19	FINE SANDSTONE									
609.19	SANDSTONE									
607.19	MEDIUM GRAINED MICACEOUS SANDSTONE (Cross bedding)									
605.19	SILTSTONE									
603.19	CLAYSTONE SILTSTONE									
601.19	CLAYSTONE WITH MINOR SILT									
599.19	SILTSTONE									
597.19	FINE GRAINED WELL CEMENTED SANDSTONE									
595.19	MEDIUM GRAINED SANDSTONE									
593.19	MEDIUM TO FINE GRAINED SANDSTONE & CLAY BEDDING									
591.19	SANDSTONE									
589.19	SANDSTONE									

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