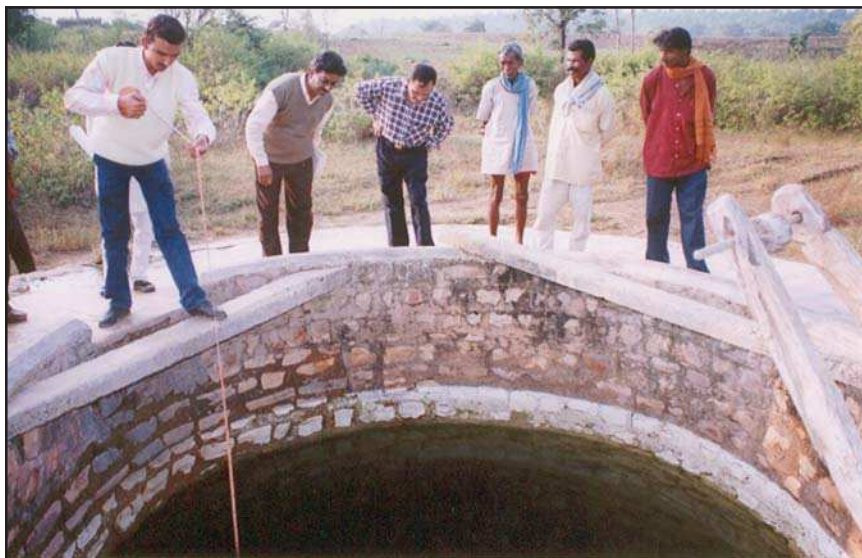


Ground Water Recharge

The cumulative effect of intensive soil and water conservation, and water storage activities in various micro-watersheds has contributed much to raising the level of water in the wells of the treated area, as shown in the table below.



K.V.K. scientists measuring the water level in the well at Tagi.

Average Increase in Water Level of Wells

| Year | Annual Rainfall (mm) | Availability of water (m) | | | |
|------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| | | In May | Increase over 1996 | In December | Increase over 1996 |
| 1996 | 905.40 | 0.93 | -- | 1.80 | -- |
| 1997 | 1,069.90 | 1.38 | 0.45 | 2.97 | 1.17 |
| 1998 | 755.00 | 1.55 | 0.62 | 3.25 | 1.45 |
| 1999 | 899.70 | 2.03 | 1.10 | 3.67 | 1.87 |
| 2000 | 600.50 | 3.09 | 2.16 | 4.36 | 2.56 |
| 2001 | 1,094.85 | 3.85 | 2.92 | 4.85 | 3.05 |