

# Flood Frequency Analysis by Statistical Methods for Kosi River

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## ABSTRACT

There is a need to estimate format floods for areal making plans and the layout of essential infrastructure. An assignment is the mismatch between the period of the flood information and wished return duration. A majority of flood time collection are shorter than 50 years, and the preferred move returned intervals might be two hundred, 500, or 1,000 years. therefore, the estimation uncertainty is big. in this paper, we investigated how using historic information could likely beautify layout flood estimation. inside the present have a take a look at, flood frequency evaluation has been carried out for river Kosi in North factor of Bihar. The river Kosi is an important tributary of Ganga river gadget, which arising from Koshimool close to Kausani, Almora district flows at the western facet of the have a examine region and to satisfy at Ramganga River. The annual flood series assessment has been completed to estimate the flood quantities at one of a kind go back length at Kosi barrage web page of river Kosi. The statistical technique provided a benefit of estimation of flood at any internet web sites inside the homogeneous vicinity with very much less or no facts. within the at – internet site on line analysis of annual flood collection the normal, Log ordinary, Pearson type III, Log Pearson type III, Gumbel and Log Gumbel distribution were accomplished the usage of technique of moments . From the evaluation of various goodness of healthful checks, it's been discovered that the Log Gumbel distribution with approach of second as parameters estimation determined to be the brilliant-fit distribution for Kosi River and other websites within the location. it is recommended that the close by parameters for Kosi Basin can be used quality for primary estimation of flood and need to be reviewed while extra neighborhood data to be had.

**Keywords:** Flood Frequency Analysis, River Kosi, Frequency distribution methods, Return Period, Goodness of fit Test.

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## INTRODUCTION

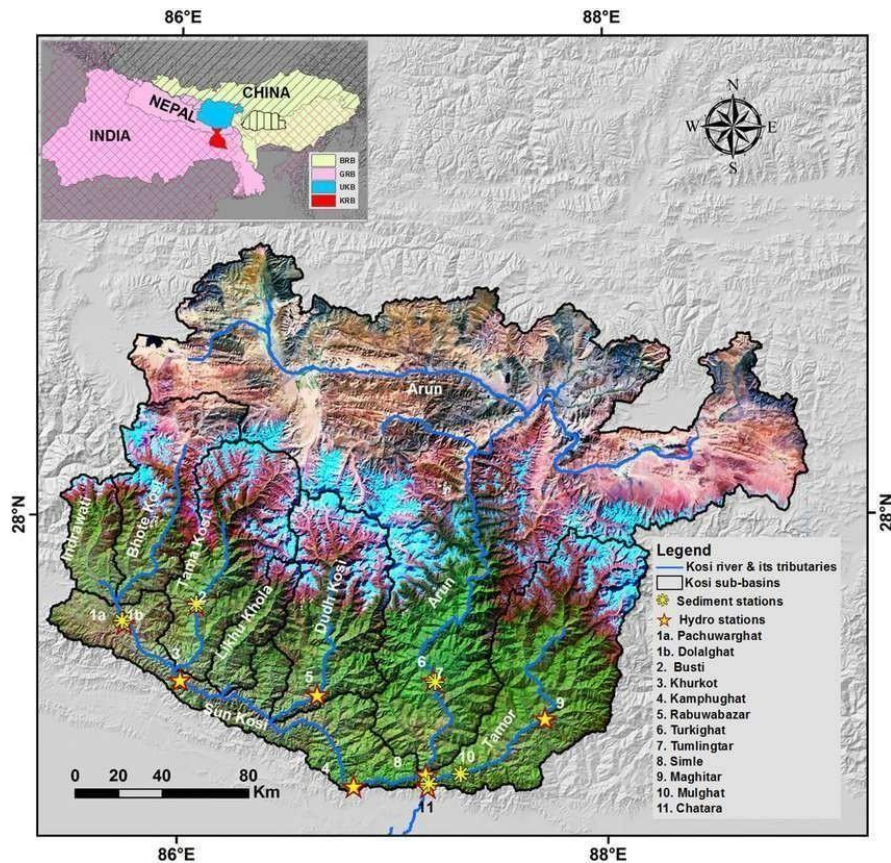
Flood and drainage are the 2 vital interrelated troubles of Bihar, a poverty afflicted kingdom mainly in North Bihar. The North Bihar plains are drained by some Himalayan rivers and the Ganga being the trunk drain. the ones rivers are perennial as the ones are rain similarly to snow fed. crucial rivers of North Bihar encompass the Kosi, Gandak, Bagmati, Burhi Gandak, Kamla, Kamla-Balan Mahananda, Kareh and few others. most of these rivers have relatively more youthful topography and are generated a huge quantity of water every year with maximum discharge and it engaged in channel deepening. They flow parallel to the Ganga within the South-east direction after which drain into it. Bihar is monsoonal in individual and its distribution shows big temporal and spatial variant. Rainfall is limited to few month most effective and is better in north-eastern element. this alteration in rainfall distribution reasons not unusual floods in North Bihar, big losses to plant life as massive areas are inundated every year. glaringly the most vital reasons of those recurrent floods are heavy and erratic rainfall and insufficient drainage.

The Kosi River (known as Kaushiki in Sanskrit literature) originates in Tibet at an elevation of 5500 m above MSL by using the use of the factor of foothills of Mount Everest and traverses through Nepal and India for a distance of about 720km earlier than turning into a member of the river Ganga close to Kursela. The river Kosi is the 0.33 biggest Himalayan River originating from the snowy peaks in the important Himalayas. Its three crucial tributaries in the Himalayas are the solar Kosi growing east of Katmandu, the Arun Kosi rising north of Mount Everest inside the Tibet and the Tamur Kosi growing west of Mount Kanchanjuna. These three tributaries join at Tribeni in Nepal and the river is called Kosi thereafter. The river upstream of Tribeni and for about 11 km downstream flows through deep gorge in Himalayas until it enters Gangetic undeniable at Chatra. From this element, the river runs in a sandy alluvial plain through Nepal terai upto Bhimnagar for a distance of 40 km. Thereafter, it flows through North Bihar and sooner or later falls into the Ganges near Kursela, the total distance from Bhimnagar to its fall in the Ganges being 260 km. Fig1. The higher Kosi river basin and the critical tributaries.

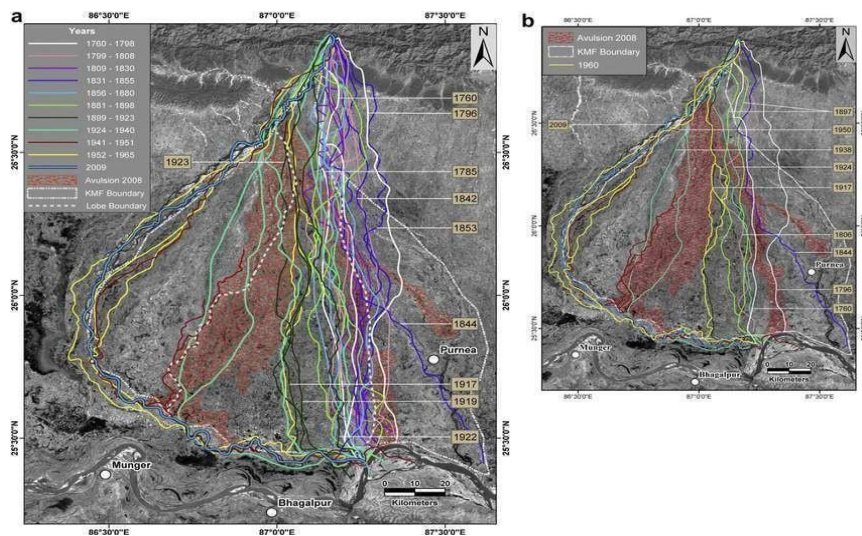
### STUDY AREA

The entire catchment place of Kosi River Basin Bihar is about 74030 sq. km, and it is divided into sun Kosi, Arun and Tamur in the percentage of 32%, 58% and 10% respectively. The common rainfall in the secatchments varies from 1500 mm to 1250mm and in addition decreases by the use of 250 mm in the obvious. The common annual runoff measured at Baraksheta is set 53000 million cubic meters (five.3 million Ha m). eighty one% of this runoff is contributed at some point of June to October. the once a yr most discharge of the river varies from 5,665 m<sup>3</sup>/sec (2 lakh cusecs) to twenty-five,910 m<sup>3</sup>/sec (nine.15 lakh cusecs).

**Origin:** Tibet **Seasonality:** Perennial **Total length:** 260 km



**Fig1. The Upper Kosi river basin and the major tributaries.**



**Fig. 2: Shifting courses of the River Kosi**

### METHODOLOGY: FLOODFREQUENCY ANALYSIS

Flood frequency analyses are used to assume layout floods for web sites along a river. The method entails the use of observed annual peak go with the flow discharge facts to calculate statistical records including suggest values, widespread deviations, skewness, and recurrence intervals. Flood frequency distributions can address many forms in keeping with the equations used to carry out the statistical analyses.

4 of the commonplace paperwork are:

- Normal Distribution
- Generalized excessive price
- Gumbel Distribution
- Log-Pearson Type III Distribution

Each distribution can be used to are waiting for format floods; however, there are advantages and disadvantages of each approach. in the present paper handiest distributions were used to are looking ahead to the probable floods of diverse recurrent intervals as defined under.

#### Gumbel's Method

Extreme value distribution introduced by Gumbel (1941) is commonly used. In probability theory and statistics, the Gumbel distribution (Generalized Extreme Value Distribution Type-I) is used to model the distribution of the maximum (or the minimum) of a number of samples of various distributions. This distribution might be used to represent the distribution of the maximum level of a river in a particular year if there was a list of maximum values for the past ten years. It is useful in predicting the chance that an extreme earthquake, flood or other natural disaster will occur. T= Return period,

$Y_t =$  Reduced Variant = - [  $\ln T/T-1$  ],  $K = (Y_t - Y_n) / S_n$ ,  $X_t =$  Estimated Discharge,  
X = peak flow data.

$$\text{Where } Y_T = - \left[ \ln \cdot \ln \frac{T}{T-1} \right]$$

$Y_n =$  Reduced mean, a function of sample size N and is arranged in Table-2. For  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$Y_n \rightarrow 0.577$$

$S_n =$  Reduced Standard Deviation function of sample size N and is arranged in Table-2.

$$\text{For } N \rightarrow \infty, Y_n \rightarrow 1.2825$$

K is also determined by formula given below

$$K = - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi} \left\{ 0.5772 + \ln \left( \ln \frac{T}{T-1} \right) \right\} \quad \text{For } N > 100$$

#### LOG-PEARSON TYPE III DISTRIBUTION

The Log-Pearson type III distribution is a statistical technique for becoming frequency distribution information to are anticipating the layout flood for a river at some internet page. once the statistical data is calculated for the river net web page, a frequency distribution can be built. The possibilities of floods of various sizes can be extracted from the curve. The Log- Pearson type III distribution tells us the in all likelihood values of discharges to expect inside the river at diverse recurrence intervals primarily based totally on the available historic document. that is help full when designing structures in or close to the river that may be suffering from floods.in this the variate X is first transformed into logarithmic form (base 10) and the converted statistics is then analyzed. If X is the variant of random hydro-logic series.

Then the gathering of Z variate

Where  $Z = \log_{10}X$

For this Z series, for any return period (T)

$$Z_T = \bar{Z} + K_z \sigma_z$$

$\bar{Z}$  = Mean of Z values

$\sigma_z$  = Standard deviation of Z variate sample

N = Number of Samples

$$\sigma_z = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(Z - \bar{Z})^2}{N - 1}}$$

This variate  $K_z$

= f( $C_s$ , T)

$K_z$  is determined from  $C_s$  and T relation table

Where  $C_s$  = Coefficient of skew of variate Z

$$= \frac{N \sum (Z_i - \bar{Z})^3}{(N - 1)(N - 2)(\sigma_z)^3}$$

after finding ZT the corresponding value of XT is obtained  $XT = \text{Antilog}(ZT)$  base 10.

$K_z$  is also approximated by KITE (1977) as

$$K_z = W - \frac{(2.515517 + 0.802853W + 0.0328W^2)}{(1 + 1.432788W + 0.189269W^2 + 0.001308W^3)}$$

Where  $W = [\log(1/P^2)]^{1/2}$

$$P = 1/T \text{ \& } 0 < P \leq 0.5$$

It is assumed that Maximum of the Maximum value of PMP calculated at each rain gauge stations will be the PMP for whole basin.

### Test of Goodness of Fit

The validity of opportunity distribution characteristic proposed to in shape the empirical frequency distribution of a given sample can be tested graphically or by means of analytical techniques. The goodness in shape measure involves figuring out a distribution that suits the determined information. while computing the magnitudes of severe occasions, which include flood flows, it's far required that the chance distribution characteristic be revertible, in order that a given cost of recurrence c program language period (T) and the corresponding cost of frequency factor (ok) can be determined. For plotting formula were followed and compared to select the best flood frequency distribution that nice outfitted annual maximum flood flow of Kosi river catchment.

### D-Index Test

In order to compare the relative fit of different distribution to hydro logical data. The probability of exceed of observation estimated by Weibull plotting position formula.

$$P(X \geq x) = \frac{m}{(N + 1)}$$

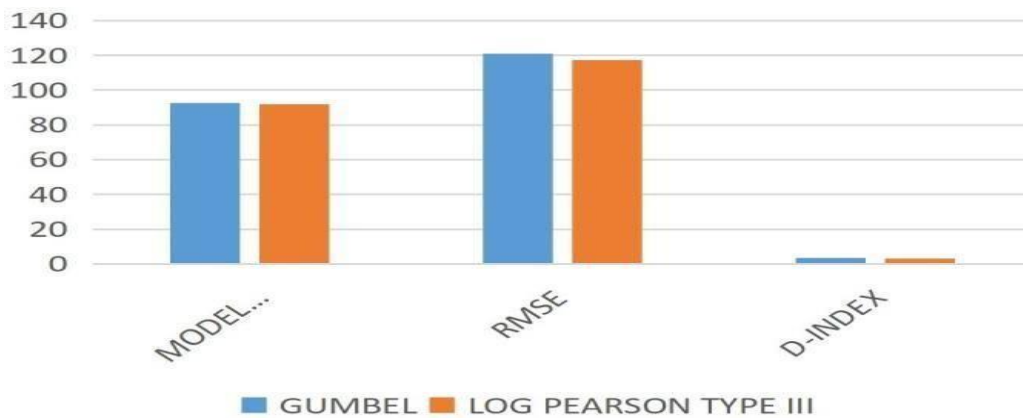
where, P is the probability of exceed.

**RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

The commutated Statistical parameters are shown in Table 2, The probability distribution method is carried out to determine the predicted discharge for the return period of 10, 25, 50, 100, 200, 500,1000 in years are shown in Table 3.

**Table 1.Computation of Statistical parameter**

| S. No | DISTRIBUTION        | MODEL EFFICIENCY | RMSE  | D-INDEX |
|-------|---------------------|------------------|-------|---------|
| 1     | GUMBLE              | 93.06            | 123.5 | 3.69    |
| 2     | LOG PEARSON TYPEIII | 92.31            | 118.6 | 3.48    |



**Fig. 3. Comparison of Gumbel and Log Pearson on Model, RMSE and D-index**

**Table 2.Values of Return Period Using Log-Pearson Type III Distribution**

| Return Period | Computed Discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s) | Standard Error (m <sup>3</sup> /s) | Upper Confidence Level (m <sup>3</sup> /s) | Lower Confidence (m <sup>3</sup> /s) |
|---------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 10            | 2451                                   | 356                                | 3180                                       | 1533                                 |
| 25            | 4477                                   | 514                                | 5197                                       | 2837                                 |
| 50            | 6444                                   | 609                                | 7299                                       | 4569                                 |
| 100           | 9340                                   | 714                                | 10960                                      | 7851                                 |
| 200           | 13948                                  | 890                                | 16783                                      | 12012                                |
| 500           | 20149                                  | 950                                | 28110                                      | 20927                                |
| 1000          | 34117                                  | 1197                               | 33055                                      | 33278                                |

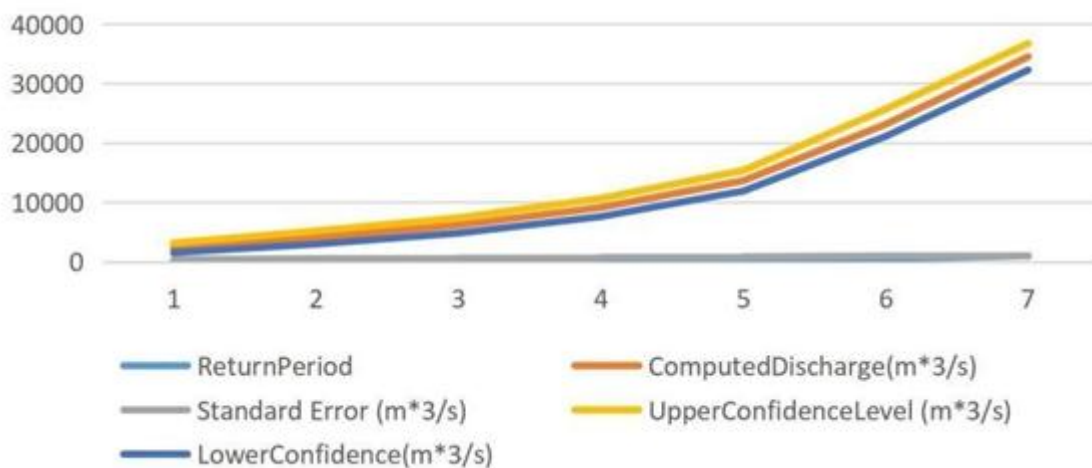


Table 3. Data Analysis Using Gumble Method

| YEAR | Discharge(Cumecs) | Discharge(1000' Cumecs)(X) | Mean Discharge (1000' Cumecs)(x ) | (X-x )   | (X-x )^2    |
|------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| 1976 | 298589            | 298.589                    | 364.3321                          | -65.7431 | 4322.155198 |
| 1977 | 255952            | 255.952                    | 364.3321                          | -108.38  | 11746.24608 |
| 1978 | 407685            | 407.685                    | 364.3321                          | 43.3529  | 1879.473938 |
| 1979 | 332737            | 332.737                    | 364.3321                          | -31.5951 | 998.250344  |
| 1980 | 804843            | 804.843                    | 364.3321                          | 440.5109 | 194049.853  |
| 1981 | 331663            | 331.663                    | 364.3321                          | -32.6691 | 1067.270095 |
| 1982 | 467043            | 467.043                    | 364.3321                          | 102.7109 | 10549.52898 |
| 1983 | 434743            | 434.743                    | 364.3321                          | 70.4109  | 4957.694839 |
| 1984 | 364222            | 364.222                    | 364.3321                          | -0.1101  | 0.01212201  |
| 1985 | 418578            | 418.578                    | 364.3321                          | 54.2459  | 2942.617667 |
| 1986 | 404461            | 404.461                    | 364.3321                          | 40.1289  | 1610.328615 |
| 1987 | 348117            | 348.117                    | 364.3321                          | -16.2151 | 262.929468  |
| 1988 | 307826            | 307.826                    | 364.3321                          | -56.5061 | 3192.939337 |
| 1989 | 295929            | 295.929                    | 364.3321                          | -68.4031 | 4678.98409  |
| 1990 | 356708            | 356.708                    | 364.3321                          | -7.6241  | 58.12690081 |
| 1991 | 423456            | 423.456                    | 364.3321                          | 59.1239  | 3495.635551 |
| 1992 | 308053            | 308.053                    | 364.3321                          | -56.2791 | 3167.337097 |
| 1993 | 280759            | 280.759                    | 364.3321                          | -83.5731 | 6984.463044 |
| 1994 | 315008            | 315.008                    | 364.3321                          | -49.3241 | 2432.866841 |
| 1995 | 303327            | 303.327                    | 364.3321                          | -61.0051 | 3721.622226 |
| 1996 | 518430            | 518.43                     | 364.3321                          | 154.0979 | 23746.16278 |
| 1997 | 350963            | 350.963                    | 364.3321                          | -13.3691 | 178.7328348 |
| 1998 | 299606            | 299.606                    | 364.3321                          | -64.7261 | 4189.468021 |
| 1999 | 540414            | 540.414                    | 364.3321                          | 176.0819 | 31004.83551 |
| 2000 | 416833            | 416.833                    | 364.3321                          | 52.5009  | 2756.344501 |
| 2001 | 489056            | 489.056                    | 364.3321                          | 124.7239 | 15556.05123 |
| 2002 | 417318            | 417.318                    | 364.3321                          | 52.9859  | 2807.505599 |
| 2003 | 377652            | 377.652                    | 364.3321                          | 13.3199  | 177.419736  |
| 2004 | 308229            | 308.229                    | 364.3321                          | -56.1031 | 3147.55783  |
| 2005 | 334025            | 334.025                    | 364.3321                          | -30.3071 | 918.5203104 |
| 2006 | 268655            | 268.655                    | 364.3321                          | -95.6771 | 9154.107464 |
| 2007 | 262057            | 262.057                    | 364.3321                          | -102.275 | 10460.19608 |
| 2008 | 347872            | 347.872                    | 364.3321                          | -16.4601 | 270.934892  |
| 2009 | 301511            | 301.511                    | 364.3321                          | -62.8211 | 3946.490605 |
| 2010 | 328272            | 328.272                    | 364.3321                          | -36.0601 | 1300.330812 |
| 2011 | 397001            | 397.001                    | 364.3321                          | 32.6689  | 1067.257027 |
| 2012 | 340762            | 340.762                    | 364.3321                          | -23.5701 | 555.549614  |
| 2013 | 279639            | 279.639                    | 364.3321                          | -84.6931 | 7172.921188 |
| 2014 | 413553            | 413.553                    | 364.3321                          | 49.2209  | 2422.696997 |
| 2015 | 406613            | 406.613                    | 364.3321                          | 42.2809  | 1787.674505 |
| 2016 | 415312            | 415.312                    | 364.3321                          | 50.9799  | 2598.950204 |
| 2017 | 303016            | 303.016                    | 364.3321                          | -61.3161 | 3759.664119 |
| 2018 | 208591            | 208.591                    | 364.3321                          | -155.741 | 24255.29023 |
| 2019 | 298616            | 298.616                    | 364.3321                          | -65.7161 | 4318.605799 |
| 2020 | 251785            | 251.785                    | 364.3321                          | -112.547 | 12666.84972 |
|      |                   | <b>16335.48</b>            |                                   |          | 432338.4531 |

Table 4. Data Analysis Using Log Pearson Type Iii Method

| YEAR | DISCHARGE(CUMECS) (X) | Z= log10X | Z̄=Mean log10X | o(Z - Z̄)  | (Z- Z̄)^2  | (Z-Z̄)^3  |
|------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 1976 | 297389                | 5.4733249 | 5.465731       | 0.0075939  | 5.7667E-05 | 4.379E-07 |
| 1977 | 254752                | 5.4061176 | 5.465731       | -0.0596134 | 0.00355376 | -0.000212 |

|      |        |                   |          |            |                   |                  |
|------|--------|-------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1978 | 406485 | 5.60904452        | 5.465731 | 0.14331352 | 0.02053877        | 0.0029435        |
| 1979 | 331537 | 5.520532          | 5.465731 | 0.054801   | 0.00300315        | 0.0001646        |
| 1980 | 803643 | 5.90506317        | 5.465731 | 0.43933217 | 0.19301275        | 0.0847967        |
| 1981 | 330463 | 5.51912284        | 5.465731 | 0.05339184 | 0.00285069        | 0.0001522        |
| 1982 | 465843 | 5.66823957        | 5.465731 | 0.20250857 | 0.04100972        | 0.0083048        |
| 1983 | 433543 | 5.63703218        | 5.465731 | 0.17130118 | 0.02934409        | 0.0050267        |
| 1984 | 363022 | 5.55993295        | 5.465731 | 0.09420195 | 0.00887401        | 0.0008359        |
| 1985 | 417378 | 5.62052955        | 5.465731 | 0.15479855 | 0.02396259        | 0.0037094        |
| 1986 | 403261 | 5.60558622        | 5.465731 | 0.13985522 | 0.01955948        | 0.0027355        |
| 1987 | 346917 | 5.54022558        | 5.465731 | 0.07449458 | 0.00554944        | 0.0004134        |
| 1988 | 306626 | 5.48660898        | 5.465731 | 0.02087798 | 0.00043589        | 9.101E-06        |
| 1989 | 294729 | 5.46942287        | 5.465731 | 0.00369187 | 1.363E-05         | 5.032E-08        |
| 1990 | 355508 | 5.55084938        | 5.465731 | 0.08511838 | 0.00724514        | 0.0006167        |
| 1991 | 422256 | 5.62557583        | 5.465731 | 0.15984483 | 0.02555037        | 0.0040841        |
| 1992 | 306853 | 5.48693037        | 5.465731 | 0.02119937 | 0.00044941        | 9.527E-06        |
| 1993 | 279559 | 5.44647348        | 5.465731 | -          | 0.00037085        | -7.14E-06        |
| 1994 | 223808 | 5.34987561        | 5.465731 | 0.01925752 | -                 | -                |
| 1995 | 302127 | 5.48018954        | 5.465731 | -          | 0.01342247        | -0.001555        |
| 1996 | 517230 | 5.71368371        | 5.465731 | 0.11585539 | -                 | -                |
| 1997 | 349763 | 5.54377387        | 5.465731 | 0.01445854 | 0.00020905        | 3.023E-06        |
| 1998 | 298406 | 5.47480755        | 5.465731 | 0.24795271 | 0.06148054        | 0.0152443        |
| 1999 | 539214 | 5.73176116        | 5.465731 | 0.07804287 | 0.00609069        | 0.0004753        |
| 2000 | 415633 | 5.61871002        | 5.465731 | 0.00907655 | 8.2384E-05        | 7.478E-07        |
| 2001 | 487856 | 5.68829165        | 5.465731 | 0.26603016 | 0.07077205        | 0.0188275        |
| 2002 | 416118 | 5.6192165         | 5.465731 | 0.15297902 | 0.02340258        | 0.0035801        |
| 2003 | 376452 | 5.57570961        | 5.465731 | 0.22256065 | 0.04953324        | 0.0110242        |
| 2004 | 307029 | 5.4871794         | 5.465731 | 0.1534855  | 0.0235578         | 0.0036158        |
| 2005 | 332825 | 5.52221594        | 5.465731 | 0.10997861 | 0.01209529        | 0.0013302        |
| 2006 | 267455 | 5.42725072        | 5.465731 | 0.0214484  | 0.00046003        | 9.867E-06        |
| 2007 | 260857 | 5.4164025         | 5.465731 | 0.05648494 | 0.00319055        | 0.0001802        |
| 2008 | 346672 | 5.53991877        | 5.465731 | -          | 0.00148073        | -5.7E-05         |
| 2009 | 300311 | 5.47757124        | 5.465731 | 0.03848028 | -                 | -                |
| 2010 | 327072 | 5.51464337        | 5.465731 | -0.0493285 | 0.0024333         | -0.00012         |
| 2011 | 395801 | 5.59747689        | 5.465731 | 0.07418777 | 0.00550382        | 0.0004083        |
| 2012 | 339562 | 5.53091908        | 5.465731 | 0.01184024 | 0.00014019        | 1.66E-06         |
| 2013 | 278439 | 5.44473007        | 5.465731 | 0.04891237 | 0.00239242        | 0.000117         |
| 2014 | 402353 | 5.60460724        | 5.465731 | 0.13174589 | 0.01735698        | 0.0022867        |
| 2015 | 405413 | 5.60789767        | 5.465731 | 0.06518808 | 0.00424949        | 0.000277         |
| 2016 | 414112 | 5.61711782        | 5.465731 | -          | 0.00044104        | -9.26E-06        |
| 2017 | 301816 | 5.47974226        | 5.465731 | 0.02100093 | -                 | -                |
| 2018 | 207391 | 5.31678991        | 5.465731 | 0.13887624 | 0.01928661        | 0.0026785        |
| 2019 | 297416 | 5.47336433        | 5.465731 | 0.14216667 | 0.02021136        | 0.0028734        |
| 2020 | 250585 | 5.39895507        | 5.465731 | 0.15138682 | 0.02291797        | 0.0034695        |
|      |        |                   |          | 0.01401126 | 0.00019632        | 2.751E-06        |
|      |        |                   |          | -          | 0.02218345        | -0.003304        |
|      |        |                   |          | 0.14894109 | -                 | -                |
|      |        |                   |          | 0.00763333 | 5.8268E-05        | 4.448E-07        |
|      |        |                   |          | -          | 0.00445902        | -0.000298        |
|      |        |                   |          | 0.06677593 |                   |                  |
|      |        | <b>249.383413</b> |          |            | <b>0.77298907</b> | <b>0.1746469</b> |

### CONCLUSION

In the present examine the end result shows that values of Kosi flood discharge for 10 years and two hundred years recurrence periods expected thru Log Pearson kind III are greater in comparison to that via Gumbel's technique. similarly for 25, 50 and a hundred years recurrence intervals the values from Gumbel's method are greater in comparison to that from Log Pearson kind III method. however, for Indian conditions, Log Pearson type III have to be used if there can be no scarcity of data. The Kosi river in north Bihar plains, eastern India indicates intense variability in phrases of flood significance and frequency each spatially in addition to temporally. Such efforts need to be part of non-structural measures of flood manage to lessen brief time period and prolonged-term damages and to

carry interest a number of the clinical community on the functionality want of one of these take a look at. The flood embankments can't save you the shifting tendency of the river route. elevating of embankments will also be essential because of upward push in water degree as a result of aggravation. The embankments ought to be built sufficiently big with recognize to the khadirs of the river Kosi in order that the embanked river is capable of deliver the flood peaks retaining in view of the reality that the earthen embankments cannot stand velocities adjacent to banks exceeding approximately.

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