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Abstract

Ethiopia is among the least developed countries on the globe with a total access to electricity not exceeding 16% (in 2007). About 85% of the population lives in places where access to electricity is less than 2%. One such a place, which is the subject of this study, is the Dejen district ($10^{\circ}13'24.03''\text{N}$, $38^{\circ}07'58''\text{E}$) having a total population of 107710 within 23 villages. About 14 villages (corresponding to 63000 people) are found in the upper Blue Nile river gorge and far remote areas, which makes the task of their electrification via grid system very difficult. Kerosene for lighting, diesel for milling and pumping, biomass for cooking and dry cells for radio are being used in the non-electrified villages. Nothing has been done so far in developing the renewable energy resources, such as small-scale hydro, solar, and wind energy in the district.

In this work, feasibility of small-scale hydro/PV/wind based hybrid electric supply system to the district is studied using HOMER (Hybrid Optimization Model for Electrical Renewables) software as optimization and sensitivity analysis tool. Six sites (two on Taba stream, one on Bechet stream, two on Muga stream and one on Suha stream) with small-scale hydropower potentials have been identified. The hydro potentials are analyzed with the help of GIS (Geographical Information System) and data obtained from the Ministry of Water Resource of Ethiopia (former). Meteorological data from National Meteorological Agency of Ethiopia and other sources, such as NASA, is used for the estimation of solar and wind energy potentials. Electric load for the basic needs of the community, such as, for lighting, radio, television, electric baker, water pumps and flour mills, is estimated. Primary schools and health posts are also considered for the community. Since HOMER can't handle six hydro resources at a time, the total load is shared to each of the six sites and analysed separately. As a result, many feasible hybrid system combinations are found having a cost of energy less than \$0.156/kWh which is much lower than diesel generators and previously studied PV/Wind hybrid systems.

Key words:

Small Hydropower, Wind, Solar, Hybrid, HOMER, GIS, Catchment Area, Load Estimation

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Nomenclature

a	regression coefficient
A	the diode quality/curve fitting factor
A	the swept area of wind turbine (m^2)
A_c	the array area
A_{gauge}	Catchment area of the gauged reference catchment (m^2)
A_{site}	Catchment area of the study catchment (m^2)
ASTER-GDEM	Advanced Space-borne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer Global Digital Elevation Model
b	regression coefficients
c	A scale parameter of Weibull distribution (m/s)
CC	Cyclic charge dispatch strategy
CFL	Compact fluorescent lamp
COE	Cost of energy (\$/kWh)
C_p	the power coefficient of wind turbines
E_a	internal voltage generated by a generator (V)
EEPCo	Ethiopian Electric Power Corporation
ESRI	Environmental Systems Research Institute
$f(v)$	Weibull probability density function of wind distribution
f	system frequency
FAO	World Food Aid Organization
g	gravitational acceleration (9.81 m/s^2)
G_{SC}	The solar constant =1367 (W/m^2)
G_0	extraterrestrial irradiance at any angle of incidence
G_{on}	extraterrestrial irradiance at normal incidence
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GIS	Geographical Information System
G_T	the incident solar radiation on the array
H	monthly average daily radiation on horizontal surface (MJ/m^2)
H_{eff}	effective head (m)

H_0	monthly average daily extraterrestrial radiation on a horizontal surface (MJ/m ²)
HOMER	Hybrid Optimization and Modeling of Electrical Renewables
I	the load current (A)
I_0	reverse saturation current of the diode (A)
I_a	armature current (A)
I_D	the diode current (A)
I_L	current produced by the cell (A)
I_{mp}	maximum power current (A)
$I_{sc}(G)$	the short circuit current at radiation level G (A)
I_{sh}	current through the shunt resistance (A)
K	scale factor for flow rate estimation
k	A constant known as shape factor of Weibull distribution
LF	Load follow dispatch strategy
LINGO	Optimization Modeling Software for Linear, Non Linear and Integer Programming
m	the number of phases; m=3 for a 3-phase generator
N	the maximum possible daily hours of bright sunshine given by equation
n	monthly average daily number of hours of bright sunshine
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NPC	Net present cost
n_s	synchronous speed
P_h	hydropower output in kilowatts (kW)
P_{outs}	output power of synchronous generator (kW)
P_w	power in the wind (W)
P_{wout}	output power of wind turbine (W)
PDF	Probability Density Function of wind distribution
P_{mp}	maximum power point (W)
P_{pole}	number of pole pairs
P_{pv}	power output of PV array
$prob(v \geq V)$	Probability of instantaneous wind speed is greater than V

$prob(v \leq V)$	Probability of instantaneous wind speed is less than V
PV	Photo Voltaic
Q	charge on an electron(C)
Q_h	quantity of water flow rate (m^3/s)
Q_{gauge}	River flow rate at the gauge station (m^3/s)
Q_{site}	River flow rate at the study point (m^3/s)
R_a	winding/armature resistance (Ω)
SRTM	Shuttle Radar Topography Mission
SWERA	Solar and Wind Energy Resource Assessment
t_L	local solar time in hours.
$V(z)$	Wind velocity at height of Z m above ground (m/s)
V	instantaneous wind velocity
V	output voltage of PV cell (V)
V_a	output terminal voltage (V)
V_{mp}	maximum power voltage (V)
V_{oc}	open circuit voltage (V)
$v(z)$	wind speed at height of Z m (m/s)
$v(z_r)$	wind speed at the reference height (m/s)
$\bar{v}$	mean wind speed
X_a	winding/synchronous reactance
Z	height where wind speed is to be determined (m)
Z_0	Surface Roughness length (m)
Z_r	reference height (m)
δ	declination angle ($^\circ$)
η_e	the efficiency of power conditioning equipment ($\approx 90\%$)
η_{mp}	the maximum power point efficiency of the array ($\approx 14\%$)
ω_s	The sunset hour angle
α_s	solar altitude ($^\circ$)
γ_s	solar azimuth ($^\circ$)
θ_z	zenith angle ($^\circ$)
θ_i	the angle between the solar beam and normal to the solar panel

Φ	the angle between the voltage V_a and the current I_a
ρ	density of air
ϕ	latitude ($^{\circ}$)
η	turbo-generator efficiency
η_t	Overall efficiency of the transmission system/power train of wind turbine
ω	solar hour angle ($^{\circ}$)

Introduction

I. Background and Statement of the Problem

Ethiopia is a non-oil producing, land locked country with a population estimated to be over 80 million in 2007 [1]. In terms of gross domestic product (GDP) per capita, Ethiopia is ranked 174th of 179 and in terms of human development index, it is rated 169th of 177 [1]. 85% of the population lives in rural areas and the total access of electricity within the country was about 16% by the year of 2007 [2]. Most of the customers live in urban areas and consume less than 50 kWh per year, while rural area electricity coverage is negligible (about 2% [2, 3]).

Five years back the country has started an Accelerated Development Strategy and programs to End Poverty. By 2010/2011 budget year, it has also launched an “Accelerated Development and Transformation Plan” to bring the country as one of the middle income countries. For an economic growth rate of 7-10%, the resulting electric energy demand growth rate is about 17% [4]. But, Ethiopia is developing at an economic growth rate of 8-12% which indicates that the energy demand growth rate is more than 17%. Due to this high energy demand rate and the climatic impacts on the hydropower system the country has been in energy shortage for long time. Power shading of every other day had been practiced even in the capital, Addis Ababa as recently as the year 2010. The problem is worse in the rural areas far from the grid system and grid electrification of these areas is unthinkable in the near future. Furthermore, hydro dominated power plants have climatic, geological and political risks [5]. Hence, attention should be given to development and diversification of the power system with renewable energy sources which are cost effective in reaching the remote areas.

Ethiopia has a lot of small hydropower, solar and wind energy potentials convenient for rural electrification [1 - 12]. It is conceivable that a hybrid system has the advantage of improved reliability and therefore gives better energy service when compared to any particular (wind, solar, etc.) type of stand-alone supply system. What this means is that in the absence of one type of energy (example: solar energy during nighttime) another could be

available (example: wind) to carry out the service. Hence, hybrid systems are found to be more appropriate than single stand-alone resources.

Dejen district is a place having rural villages without sufficient access to electricity, in spite of having significant renewable energy resources. According to the rural development office of the district, there are 23 villages in the district from which two are town villages electrified much earlier. Other four villages are on the way to be electrified. Additional three villages are in EEPCO's future electrification plan.

Table-i: Electrification Status of Dejen district (source: Rural Development Office of Dejen district)

<i>Village</i>	<i>*Population</i>	<i>Electrification Status</i>
<i>Koncher-Sasaberay</i>	<i>4561</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Kurar</i>	<i>4107</i>	<i>partially</i>
<i>Mng Ybza</i>	<i>4325</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Gelgele</i>	<i>5263</i>	<i>partially</i>
<i>Zemetn</i>	<i>4722</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Borebor</i>	<i>4689</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Yetnora</i>	<i>5755</i>	<i>partially</i>
<i>Tik</i>	<i>4974</i>	<i>In a plan</i>
<i>Alektam</i>	<i>4397</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Sebshengo</i>	<i>5643</i>	<i>partially</i>
<i>Enagma</i>	<i>3895</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Jeba</i>	<i>4068</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Trch'</i>	<i>4658</i>	<i>In a plan</i>
<i>Muyan T/Mariam</i>	<i>4662</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Berch W/Amba</i>	<i>4345</i>	<i>In a plan</i>
<i>Yenagnat Lagene</i>	<i>4153</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Kok wuha yeqosqos</i>	<i>4584</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Hagere-selam Tsdm</i>	<i>4210</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Weblat Getem</i>	<i>4356</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Engosh</i>	<i>4678</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Kqol</i>	<i>4985</i>	<i>no</i>
<i>Dejen 01</i>	<i>5281</i>	<i>completely</i>
<i>Dejen 02</i>	<i>5402</i>	<i>completely</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>107,713</i>	<i>< 6%</i>

The remaining 14 villages (about 63000 people) may not be electrified any time soon due to their remoteness and uneasy geographical location. Table-i shows the electrification status of the district.

The aim of this thesis is to study the feasibility of hybrid electrification of those 14 remote villages which are not to be electrified via national grid system. The people in these villages use kerosene for lamp, diesel for water pumping and flour mills, fire wood for cooking and dry cells for radio and tape recorders. Desertification of the land is getting worse and worse due to deforestation and backward agriculture. Figure-i shows the geographical layout of the project area.

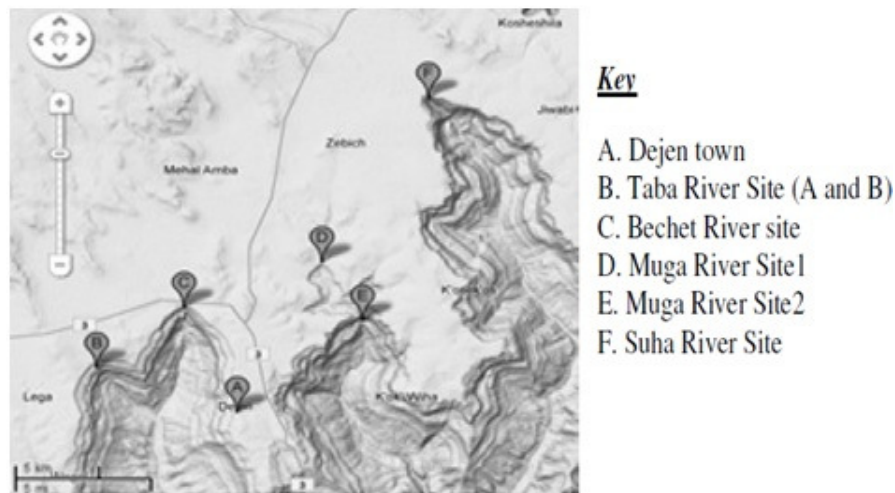


Figure-i: Geographical layout of the project area (Source: Google Map, 2010)

EEPCO, the sole authority for national electricity supply, has planned to electrify more and more villages time after time. However, due to capacity constraints and difficult geographical layout of the remote locations, grid connection of remote villages has not been possible. On the other hand, there are tributary rivers crossing the district and joining the Blue Nile basin. Out of these, Taba, Muga, Bechet and Suha are the main ones, with deep waterfalls. NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) metrological estimation for the area shows a $6.05 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{day}$ solar potential and a 3.1 m/s (at 10 m height) wind speed [13]. Combining these resources into hybrid off-grid system is appropriate in such remote areas.

II. Objectives

The main objective of this thesis is to study the feasibility of small hydropower, wind and solar photovoltaic system for hybrid electrification of remote villages in Dejen district.

Specific objectives include the following goals:

- Estimation of the small hydropower potential
- Estimation of the solar Photo voltaic potential
- Estimation of the wind power generation potential
- Modeling an community load system
- Optimization and sensitivity analysis of the hydro/PV/wind hybrid system

III. Methodology

Site Identification

Solar and wind distribution are assumed to be same throughout the district. The following six sites are identified for the potential assessment of small hydropower development by using Google Earth, Google Map and interviewing the local people.

- Taba A and Taba B (located at 10°12'25.68"N and 38° 3'3.00"E):
- Bechet (located at 10°14'31.00"N and 38° 5'37.11"E):
- Suha (located at 10°21'26.46"N and 38°14'45.21"E):
- Muga I (located at 10°16'11.05"N and 38°10'15.91"E):
- Muga II (located at 10°14'11.11"N and 38°11'33.70"E):

Data Collection and Literature Survey

Relevant data is collected from three main sources. The first is from organizations and agencies like National Meteorological Agency and Ministry of Water Resources (former). Sunshine hour, wind speed and direction and flow rate of gauged rivers are collected from these offices and agencies. The second source is the sites themselves. Geographical layout, population distribution, surrounding environment in relation to the system design and geological characteristics are collected by visiting the sites. The third one is from different websites, especially related to cost of PV modules, wind turbines, diesel generator, converter and battery.

Related literatures on rural electrification inside Ethiopia as well as abroad are considered. These include papers and books related to rural load estimation, potential assessment techniques of hydro, wind and solar resources and for optimization of hybrid system components.

Data Analysis and Feasibility Study

The flow rate of streams is determined using GIS. The wind speed data is taken from NASA. The solar radiation is estimated from sunshine duration data taken from National Metrological Agency. These data are prepared in suitable format for input to HOMER. Then, feasibility study of wind, solar and small hydro systems is studied.

IV. Related Works

Drake F. and Mulugeta Y. [6, 7] studied the solar and wind potential distribution of Ethiopia. Regression coefficients of the angstrom equation (a and b) relating sunshine duration to daily solar radiation and Weibull parameters (shape factor, K , and the scale factor, c) are estimated throughout the country. Bekele G. [8, 9] determined solar and wind potentials of selected locations in Ethiopia and studied feasibility of Wind/PV hybrid system to electrify 200 model families using HOMER for optimization and sensitivity analysis. Tamirat B. [10] has made a feasibility comparison of independent electrification at Dillamo and Gode sites in Ethiopia by either of the wind, solar PV or micro hydropower system. But, he didn't consider the possibility of combining the resources into hybrid system and the analysis is done manually without any computer tool.

Sopian K. et al. [14] have discussed about the application of genetic algorithms in optimization of hybrid system consisting of Pico hydro system, solar photovoltaic modules, diesel generator and battery sets. Kenfack J. et al. [15] have proposed a micro hydro-PV hybrid system, at a site of Batocha, in Cameroon, using HOMER software for system optimization. Kanase-Patil A.B. et al. [16] studied off-grid electrification of seven villages in the Almora district of Uttarakhand state, India. In their study, biomass, solar, hydro and wind energy sources were considered and analysed using LINGO and HOMER software. Bakos G.C. [17] discussed feasibility of wind/hydro hybrid system to electrify remote islands in Greece. The system was simulated with the help of Monte Carlo simulation

program. Connolly D. et al [18] have made a comparative study of 68 computer tools for integration of renewable resource in various energy systems. Accordingly, HOMER is best for optimization, feasibility and sensitivity analysis of both off-grid and grid connected micro power systems. Chapter 9 of a book on manual estimation of low run off [19] describes the different methods of estimating flow rates in ungauged sites. It describes the empirical method, statistical/regionalisation method, catchment modeling and use of local data as a means of estimating flow rates of ungauged rivers.

The main focus of this thesis work is to assess the solar, hydro and wind power potentials available at the Dejen district and propose optimal hybrid combinations for rural electrification of 10,500 families (with average of 6 members) using HOMER as optimization and simulation tool.

V. Publication

A paper describing part of this thesis on community load and resource estimation together with optimization and sensitivity results of Taba B site is presented on peer reviewed “Third International Conference on Applied Energy - 16-18 May 2011 - Perugia, Italy”. Furthermore, the paper is selected for publication in the special issue of Applied Energy and is on process. The paper presented on the conference looks the following:

Bekele G., Tadesse G., “Feasibility Study of Small Hydro-PV-Wind Hybrid System for Off-grid Rural Electrification in Ethiopia”.

VI. Organization of the Thesis

The introduction part discusses about the background, statement of the problem, objectives, publication and related works to this thesis. Chapter one covers the basic theory of solar PV system and the potential at Dejen district. Chapter two and chapter three present the basic theories of wind and hydropower systems together with their potential estimations at Dejen district respectively. Chapter four discusses the application of HOMER for hydro/PV/wind hybrid system, whereas, chapter five is all about the results of optimization and sensitivity analysis of the system. Chapter six summarises the main findings of the thesis work. Appendix A presents the full length overall optimization results for each of the six sites.

CHAPTER 1

1. Solar PV System and Solar Potential in Ethiopia

1.1. Introduction

The source of energy can be broadly grouped into two: conventional and nonconventional energy resources. Conventional/renewable energy resources are those being generated by the same rate as they are being utilized. Hydro, wind, tidal, biomass, solar thermal, solar PV and geothermal resources are examples of renewable energy resources. Conventional or non-renewable energy resources are consumed without any replacement. They are depleted from time to time and are not generally environmental friendly. Fossil fuel based energy resources including oil, coal, and natural gas are examples of conventional energy resources.

1.2. Solar Energy

The sun, the source of solar radiation, is a sphere of intensely hot gaseous matter with a diameter of about 1.39×10^9 m, a total mass of 1.99×10^{30} kg, and on the average 1.50×10^{11} m away from the earth. An atomic reaction taking place in the inner active part of the sun makes the outer surface to have a temperature of 5800^0 k [20]. Solar radiation in the form of radio magnetic wave emanates from this surface and propagates spherically in space. Some part of the radiation reaches the earth surface after atmospheric effect (reflection, refraction, absorption, scattering etc.). Such radiation is called diffused radiation. There is also some part of radiation that reaches the earth's surface without such atmospheric effect which is called direct radiation [20, 21, 22]. The received solar radiation by Earth's surface can be used directly (in the form of solar PV and solar thermal) or indirectly (in the form of hydro, wind, biomass etc.). The basic principle of solar PV system will be studied in this chapter and that of hydro and wind systems is discussed in next chapters (chapter 2, 3).

1.3. PV Systems

Photovoltaic (PV) systems convert light energy directly into electricity using semiconductor technology in the form of solar/PV cells. The physics of the PV cell is very similar to the classical p-n junction diode (see Figure 1-1). When light is absorbed by the junction, the

energy of the absorbed photons is transferred to the electron system of the material, resulting in the creation of charge carriers that are separated at the junction. The charge carriers may be electron-ion pairs in a liquid electrolyte or electron-hole pairs in a solid semiconducting material. The charge carriers in the junction region create a potential gradient, get accelerated under the electric field and circulate as the current through an external circuit. The current squared times the resistance of the circuit is the power converted into electricity. The remaining power of the photon elevates the temperature of the cell [20 - 23].

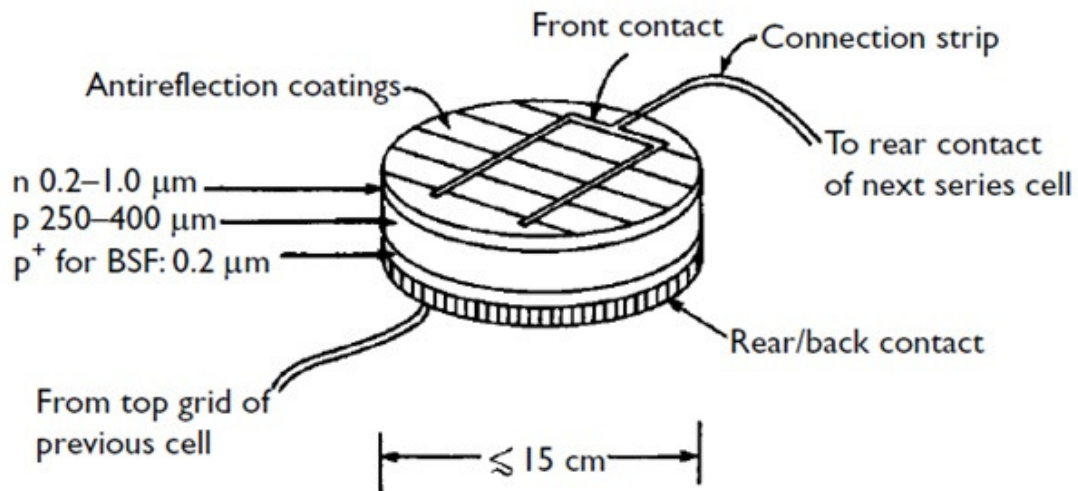


Figure 1-1 Basic structure of p-n junction PV cell [23] (BSF=back surface field)

The one diode model of a solar cell is shown in Figure 1-2.

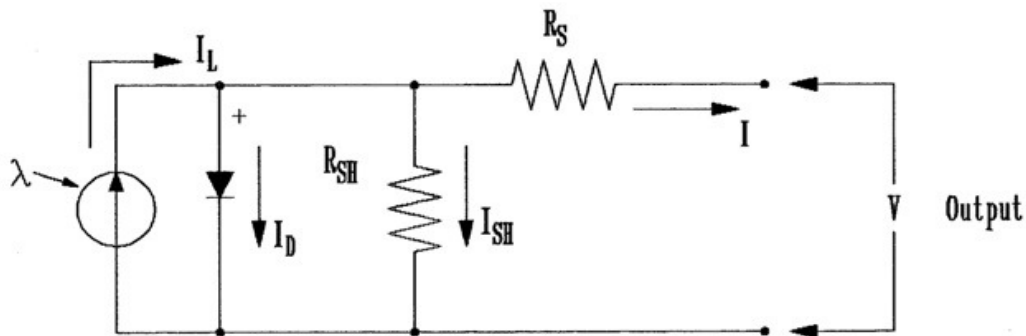


Figure 1-2 Equivalent circuit for solar PV cell [22]

The output-terminal current I is equal to the light-generated current I_L , less the diode-current I_D and the shunt-leakage current I_{SH} . The series resistance R_S represents the internal resistance to the current flow, and depends on the p-n junction depth, the impurities and the

contact resistance. The shunt resistance R_{SH} is inversely related with leakage current to the ground. In an ideal PV cell, $R_S = 0$ (no series loss), and $R_{SH} = \infty$ (no leakage to ground). In a typical high quality one square inch silicon cell, $R_S = 0.05$ to 0.10 ohm and $R_{SH} = 200$ to 300 ohms. The PV conversion efficiency is sensitive to small variations in R_S , but is insensitive to variations in R_{SH} . A small increase in R_S can decrease the PV output significantly [21 - 24].

The current at the output terminal is given by

$$I = I_L - I_D - I_{SH} \quad (1.1)$$

$$I = I_L - I_0 \left[\exp \left(\frac{q(V + IR_s)}{AKT} \right) - 1 \right] - \frac{V + IR_s}{R_{SH}} \quad (1.2)$$

where: I =the load current (A)

I_D =the diode current (A)

I_L =current produced by the cell (A)

I_{SH} =current through the shunt resistance (A)

I_0 =reverse saturation current of the diode (A)

q =charge on an electron(C)

V =output voltage (V)

K =Boltzmann's constant

T =working temperature of the cell (K)

A =the diode quality/curve fitting factor

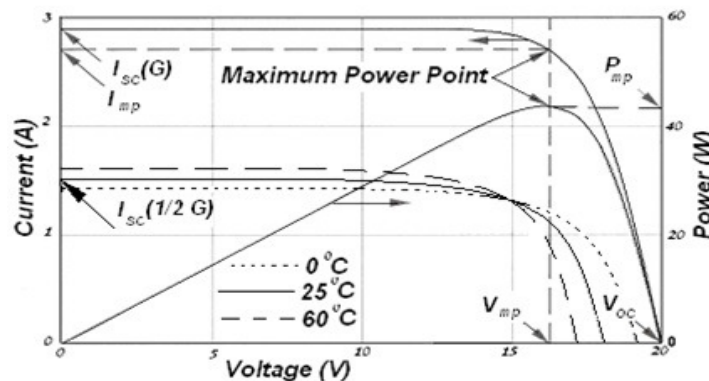


Figure 1-3 V-I characteristics of PV cells against temperature [24]

The current-voltage (I-V) and power-voltage (P-V) characteristics of a typical PV module are shown in Figure 1-3 with the short circuit current at radiation level G , $I_{sc}(G)$, the maximum power current (I_{mp}), maximum power point (P_{mp}), maximum power voltage (V_{mp}), and open circuit voltage (V_{oc}) labeled at their respective points [24]. P_{mp} is the maximum power that can be obtained from the module and it corresponds to the maximum rectangular area under the I-V curve. V_{oc} increases logarithmically, whereas I_{sc} increases almost in proportion to the radiation as long as the current axis does not intersect the curved portion of the I-V characteristic [20, 24].

The power output of a PV system is determined by the type and area of the PV material and the incident solar radiation. Mathematically, it can be expressed by equation [20, 24].

$$P_{pv} = A_c \eta_{mp} \eta_e G_T \quad (1.3)$$

where: P_{pv} = power output of PV array

A_c =the array area

η_{mp} =the maximum power point efficiency of the array ($\approx 14\%$)

η_e =the efficiency of power conditioning equipment ($\approx 90\%$)

G_T =the incident solar radiation on the array

The solar cell described above is the basic building block of the PV power system. For obtaining high power, numerous such cells are connected in series and parallel circuits on a panel (module). The solar array or panel is then made from a group of several modules electrically connected in series-parallel combinations to generate the required current and voltage.

1.4. Solar Radiation Estimations

For any solar based system design, the most important factors are the position of the sun in the sky, the slope and orientation of a collecting surface, and obstruction and reflection properties of neighbouring structures. Figure 1-4 shows the geometry describing orientation of a collector and position of the sun in the sky.

A point on the earth's surface is expressed by its latitude and longitude. The angle between the collector surface and the horizontal is called slope, β (with $0^\circ < \beta < 90^\circ$ for a surface

facing towards the equator; $90^\circ < \beta < 180^\circ$ for a surface facing away from the equator). Surface azimuth angle, γ is the angle between the normal to the surface and the local longitude meridian, projected on the horizontal plane. In either hemisphere, γ equals 0° for a surface facing due south, 180° due north, 0° to 180° for a surface facing westward and 0° to -80° eastward. For a horizontal surface, γ is always 0° .

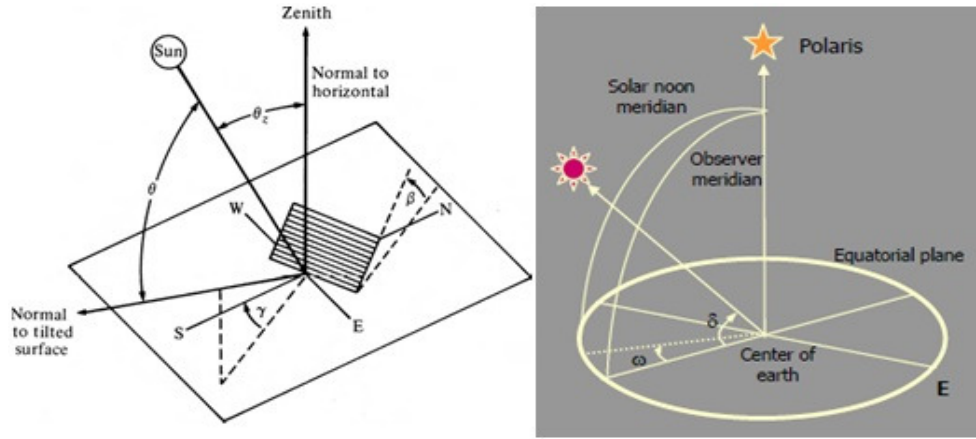


Figure 1-4 Geometry of solar collector and location of sun relative to earth [23]

Location of the sun in the sky, relative to a point on the ground, can be defined in terms of two angles, the solar altitude, α_s (or its complement the solar zenith angle, θ_z) and the solar azimuth γ_s . Solar altitude, α_s , angle of solar beam to the horizontal. Solar azimuth, γ_s is the angle between the solar beam and the longitude meridian projected on the horizontal plane. Sign convention is the same as for surface azimuth angle (γ). Solar altitude and solar azimuth are functions of location (latitude, ϕ), time of the year (declination angle, δ) and time of the day (hour angle, ω). Solar declination angle (δ) is the angle between the earth's equatorial plane and the earth sun line. Solar hour angle ω is the angle Earth has rotated since solar noon. The relation between these angles is given below [6, 20 - 23].

$$\delta = 23.45 \sin \left(360 \frac{248 + n_d}{365} \right) \quad (1.4)$$

where δ =solar declination angle ($^\circ$)

n_d =day number of the year starting at January 1st as 1

$$\omega = (12 - t_L)15^\circ \quad (1.5)$$

where t_L = local solar time in hours.

ω = solar hour angle ($^\circ$)

$$\sin(\alpha_s) = \sin(\phi)\sin(\delta) + \cos(\phi)\cos(\delta)\cos(\omega) \quad (1.6)$$

where: α_s = solar altitude ($^\circ$)

ϕ = latitude ($^\circ$)

$$\sin(\gamma_s) = \frac{\cos(\delta)\sin(\omega)}{\cos(\alpha_s)} \quad (1.7)$$

where: γ_s = solar azimuth ($^\circ$)

The sunset/sunrise angle is given by

$$\omega_s = \cos^{-1}(-\tan \phi \tan \delta) \quad (1.8)$$

The angle of incident θ_i is the angle between the solar beam and normal to the solar panel which is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\theta_i) = & \sin(\delta)\sin(\phi)\cos(\beta) - \sin(\delta)\cos(\phi)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma) \\ & + \cos(\delta)\cos(\phi)\cos(\beta)\cos(\omega) + \cos(\delta)\sin(\phi)\sin(\beta)\cos(\gamma)\cos(\omega) \\ & + \cos(\delta)\sin(\beta)\sin(\gamma)\sin(\omega) \end{aligned} \quad (1.9)$$

The intensity of solar radiation incident per unit area exposed normally to the sun's rays at the average sun-earth distance (about 1.5×10^{11} m), measured outside the earth's atmosphere is called the solar constant, G_{sc} (1367 W/m^2) [20, 22, 23]. The intensity of radiation received outside the earth's atmosphere varies as the inverse square of the earth-sun distance and can be expressed in relation to time of the year. The extraterrestrial irradiance on a surface at normal incidence (G_{on}) may be expressed as:

$$G_{on} = G_{sc} \left[1 + 0.033 \cos \frac{2\pi n d}{365} \right] \quad (1.10)$$

The extraterrestrial irradiance incident on a horizontal plane at an arbitrary angle of incidence is given by,

$$G_o = G_{on} \cos(\theta_z) \quad (1.11)$$

Where θ_z =zenith angle (angle between the sun and the vertical line from a point on earth) which equals to the incident angle of a horizontal surface at the point of interest.

By integrating the solar constant (extraterrestrial irradiance) over the day length gives us the daily solar radiation on the horizontal surface.

$$H_o = \frac{24 * 3600 * G_{sc}}{\pi} \left(1 + 0.033 * \cos \left(\frac{360 n_d}{365} \right) \right) * \left(\cos \phi \cos \delta \sin \omega_s + \frac{\pi \omega_s}{180} \sin \phi \sin \delta \right) \quad (1.12)$$

where: $n_d \rightarrow$ Day number starting from January 1st as 1,

$G_{sc} \rightarrow 1367 \text{ W/m}^2$, the solar constant,

$\phi \rightarrow$ Latitude of the location (10.25°),

$\delta \rightarrow$ Declination angle ($^\circ$) given by equation 5.

$\omega_s \rightarrow$ Sunset hour angle ($^\circ$)

Ideally, the data required to predict the solar potential of any site are several years of measurements of irradiance on the proposed collector plane. These are rarely available, so the required data have to be estimated from meteorological data available either (i) from the site, or (ii) from some nearby site having similar irradiance, or (iii) from an official solar atlas or database [23]. Here, the sunshine duration data from the nearby station is used to estimate the monthly average solar radiation using the following angstrom type equation [7, 8, 10, and 20].

$$H = H_o \left(a + b \frac{n}{N} \right) \quad (1.13)$$

where: $H \rightarrow$ monthly average daily radiation on horizontal surface (MJ/m^2)

$H_o \rightarrow$ monthly average daily extraterrestrial radiation on a horizontal surface (MJ/m^2)

$N \rightarrow$ the maximum possible daily hours of bright sunshine given by equation

$n \rightarrow$ monthly average daily number of hours of bright sunshine

a and b are regression coefficients having average value of $a = 0.33$ and $b = 0.43$ [7].

The day length, N , is the maximum possible daily sunshine hour is given by equation 1.13.

$$N = \frac{2}{15} \omega_s \quad (1.14)$$

1.5. Solar Energy Resource in Ethiopia

Ethiopia receives 4.55 to 6.5 kWh/m²/day annual average of solar insolation throughout the country [1 - 6, 10]. This varies significantly during the year, ranging from a minimum of 4.55 kWh/m² in July to a maximum of 6.55 kWh/m² in February and March. Other literatures describe the yearly average radiation to be in the range from 4.25 kWh/m² in the areas of Itang in the Gambella regional state (western Ethiopia), to 6.25 kWh/m² around Adigrat in the Tigray regional state (northern Ethiopia) [2, 11, 12].

1.5.1. Solar Energy Assessment of Dejen District

There is only sunshine duration data recorded at the nearby stations (Debre Markoss). By using equations, (1.12 to 1.14), the solar radiation of the district is estimated as shown in Table 1-1. The last column of Table 1-1 shows solar radiation data obtained from NASA in (kWh/m²/day).

Table 1-1 Monthly solar radiation at the project site

Mid of month	n_d	$\delta(^{\circ})$	$\omega_s(^{\circ})$	N (hours)	n	H_0 (kWh/m ² /d)	n/N	H(kWh/m ² /d)	NASA
Ja 15	15	-21.3	86.01	11.47	9.90	8.82	0.86	5.87	6.15
Fe 14	45	-13.7	87.53	11.67	10.10	9.53	0.87	6.35	6.49
Ma 15	74	-2.89	89.52	11.94	8.40	10.22	0.70	6.57	6.57
Ap 15	105	9.34	91.75	12.23	8.00	10.54	0.65	6.63	6.48
Ma 15	135	18.74	93.56	12.47	8.10	10.45	0.65	6.56	6.35
Ju 15	166	23.30	94.51	12.60	7.30	10.29	0.58	6.18	5.80
Jul 15	196	21.56	94.14	12.55	5.80	10.32	0.46	5.59	5.24
Au 15	227	13.87	92.60	12.35	4.90	10.44	0.40	5.22	5.26
Se 15	258	2.33	90.47	12.06	7.90	10.30	0.65	6.48	5.87
Oc 15	288	-9.49	88.31	11.78	9.10	9.74	0.77	6.40	6.28
No 15	319	-19.1	86.46	11.53	9.50	8.99	0.82	5.96	6.11
De 15	349	-23.3	85.58	11.41	9.70	8.58	0.85	5.71	6.00
Average								6.13	6.05

Data from SWERA (Solar and Wind Energy Resource Assessment) shows that the area has a solar radiation potential of 6.4 kWh/m²/d. For this study the calculated monthly averaged daily radiation summarized in Table 1-1 (9th column) is used.

CHAPTER 2

2. Wind Resource in Ethiopia

2.1. Introduction

Wind energy is another potential source of renewable energy. Winds are the motion of air caused by uneven heating of the earth's surface by the sun and rotation of the earth. It generates due to various global phenomena such as air-temperature difference associated with different rates of solar heating. Since the earth's surface is made up of land, desert, water, and forest areas, the surface absorbs the sun's radiation differently. Locally, the strong winds are created by sharp temperature difference between the land and the sea [10, 22, 25].

2.2. Distribution of Wind Speed

The distribution of wind is expressed by Weibull distribution which is called a Raleigh distribution for $K=2$ [7, 9, 22 - 24]. It is given by equations (2.1 to 2.3).

$$f(v) = \frac{\pi \cdot v}{2\bar{v}^2} \exp\left[-\frac{\pi}{4}\left(\frac{v}{\bar{v}}\right)^2\right] \quad (2.1)$$

$$\text{prob}(v \leq V) = 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{\pi}{4}\left(\frac{v}{\bar{v}}\right)^2\right] \quad (2.2)$$

$$\text{prob}(v \geq V) = \exp\left[-\frac{\pi}{4}\left(\frac{v}{\bar{v}}\right)^2\right] \quad (2.3)$$

where, $f(v)$ = Weibull probability density function of wind distribution

$\bar{v}$ = mean wind speed (m/s)

v = instantaneous wind speed (m/s)

$\text{prob}(v \leq V)$ = probability of instantaneous wind speed is less than V

$\text{prob}(v \geq V)$ = probability of instantaneous wind speed is greater than V

Wind speeds are always measured at 10 m height anemometer. But, wind turbines are installed at higher elevations at which the wind speed is completely different from the 10 m

measurement. This variation of wind speed with height can be expressed with equation 2.4 [7, 9].

$$v(z) \cdot \ln\left(\frac{z_r}{z_0}\right) = v(z_r) \cdot \ln\left(\frac{z}{z_0}\right) \quad (2.4)$$

where, $Z_r \rightarrow$ Reference height (m)

$Z \rightarrow$ Height where wind speed is to be determined (m)

$Z_0 \rightarrow$ Measure of surface roughness (0.1 to 0.25 for crop land)

$v(z) \rightarrow$ Wind speed at height of Z m (m/s)

$v(z_r) \rightarrow$ Wind speed at the reference height (m/s)

2.3. Wind Turbine Types and Blade Aerodynamics

There are several wind turbine configurations including, drag-type, lift-type, Magnus effect wind plants and Vortex wind plants. Essentially all present day wind turbines are of the lift type and, over 90% of these are of the horizontal axis type. Magnus effect and vortex plants have never played a serious practical role. Lift type wind turbines can be horizontal axis and vertical axis based on the rotation of blades relative to the direction of wind [21].

The most common type of lift-force wind turbines is the horizontal axis wind turbine - HAWT. The rotor axis lies horizontally, parallel to the air flow. The blades sweep a circular (or slightly conical) plane normal to the air flow, situated upwind (in front of the tower) or downwind (behind the tower). The main advantage of HAWTs is the good aerodynamic efficiency (if blades are properly designed) and versatility of applications. Their main disadvantage is that the tower must support the rotor and all gearing and electrical generator standing on top of it, plus the necessity of yawing to face the wind.

Another type of lift-force wind turbines is the vertical axis wind turbine - VAWT. The rotor axis is perpendicular to the air flow (usually vertical). The blades sweep a cylindrical, conical or elliptical plane, perpendicular to the air flow and parallel to the rotor axis. All main power train components (gearbox, generator, brakes and main bearing) are placed on the ground, allowing for easy access for maintenance and lower stress on the tower. Yaw mechanism for facing the wind is not needed as the turbine accepts wind from any direction. All these features result in a simple machine, easily scalable to large dimensions, at lower

costs than a horizontal axis one. Their main disadvantage is their requirement of starting torque which may be a critical issue for stand-alone applications.

Wind turbines are used as a means of extracting the wind energy. Their output is greatly affected by their aerodynamics. Their aerodynamics is mainly determined by the geometry of the turbine blade (see Figure 2-1).

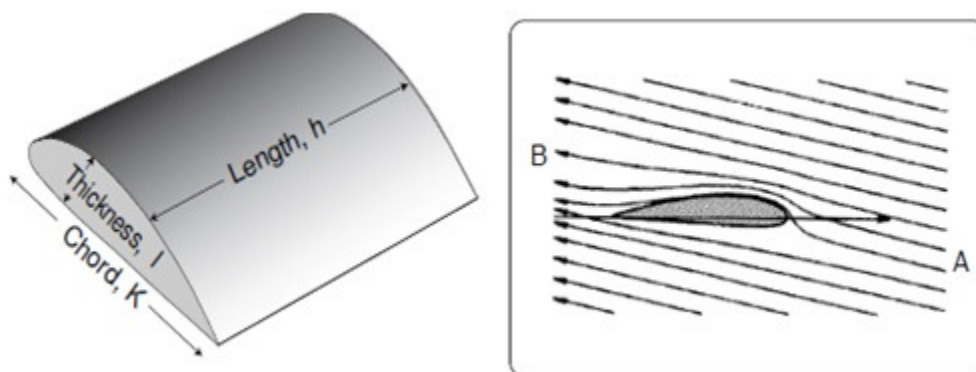


Figure 2-1 Cross section of wind turbine blade [26]

If a blade were sawn in half, the cross section has a streamlined asymmetrical shape, with the flattest side facing the oncoming air flow or wind. This shape is called the blade's aerodynamic profile. The shape of the aerodynamic profile is decisive for blade performance. The aerodynamic profile is formed with a rear side that is much more curved than the front side facing the wind. Two portions of air molecules side by side in the air flow moving towards the profile at point A will separate and pass around the profile and will once again be side by side at point B after passing the profile's trailing edge. As the rear side is more curved than the front side on a wind turbine blade, this means that the air flowing over the rear side has to travel a longer distance from point A to B than the air flowing over the front side. Therefore this air flow over the rear side must have a higher velocity if these two different portions of air shall be reunited at point B. Greater velocity produces a pressure drop on the rear side of the blade, and it is this pressure drop that produces the lift [26]. And this lift force is the source of torque to rotate horizontal axis wind turbines.

2.4. Wind Energy Extraction by HAWT

The energy of wind is extracted by using appropriate wind turbine. The wind energy is tapped by the wind turbine which converts the kinetic energy of the wind into mechanical

shaft energy. The rotational energy is converted into electrical energy through the transmission system. The transmission system consists of the rotor shaft with bearings, brake(s), an optional gearbox, as well as a generator and optional clutches. The energy available in the wind can be expressed using equation (2.5).

$$P_w = \frac{1}{2} \rho A V^3 \quad (2.5)$$

where: ρ = Density of air (kg/m³)

A = the swept area (m²)

P_w = power in the wind (W)

V = instantaneous wind velocity (m/s)

Energy conversion from free-flowing fluid streams is limited because full energy extraction implies decrease of fluid velocity (decrease of kinetic energy of the stream), down to zero which is impossible. Some fluid may not pass through the turbine and may simply flow around it (bypass it). This limitation is expressed in terms of Betz limit defined by the power coefficient C_p as given by equation (2.6).

$$C_p = \frac{\text{Rotor - Power}}{\text{Power - in - the - wind}} \quad (2.6)$$

The power coefficient, C_p , is a function of the axial induction factor. The optimum of this function (which is a maximum value for C_p) is 0.5926 (=16/27) [21 - 23]. Thus the electrical power output from the wind turbine can be expressed by equation 2.7.

$$P_{wout} = \eta_t C_p \frac{1}{2} \rho A V^3 \quad (2.7)$$

where: P_{wout} = output power of wind turbine

η_t = Overall efficiency of the transmission system/power train

C_p = the power coefficient

The power coefficient and efficiency of wind turbines vary greatly from manufactures to manufacturers. As a result, the power output of wind turbines vary from turbine to turbine and is given by power curve which plots the output power of a turbine against wind speed (see Figure 2-2).

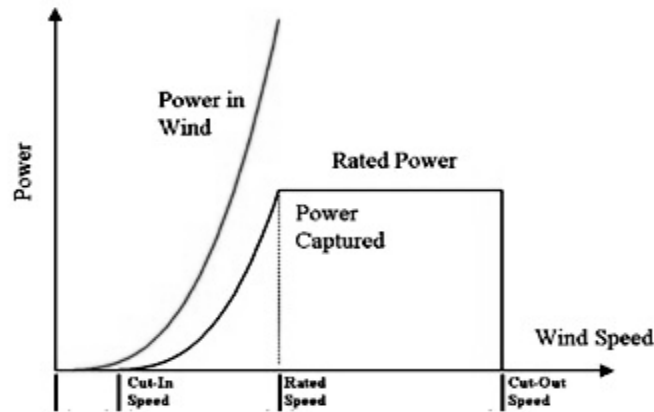


Figure 2-2 General power curve of wind turbine [22]

The wind speed at which wind turbine starts generating electrical power is called the cut-in speed. The rated wind speed is the wind speed at which the turbine operates at its maximum efficiency of energy conversion. Rated power is the power output at the wind speed which is equal to, or above, the rated speed. The cut-out speed is the wind speed at which the turbine may be shut down to protect the rotor and drive train machinery from damage, or high wind stalling characteristics.

2.4.1. Power Control mechanism

Power output from the rotor can be decreased at high winds by decreasing the power coefficient through aggravated aerodynamic conditions, implying decreased lift forces. Such regulation helps the turbine operating nearly at its rated capacity during high wind speeds. There are three commonly used types of power control in the industry [24].

- Stall Control
- Pitch Control
- Active stall regulation

In stall controlling method, the wind is allowed to meet the blade at very big angle of attack. This makes the wind flow to separate and swirl on the suction side which increases the drag force and decrease the lift force. Firmly fixed blades to the hub have made such stall control mechanisms simple and less costly. But, it is not possible to maintain stable output and turbines with such control mechanism should be able to sustain large thrust forces at high winds.

In the Pitch control mechanism, the blade turns around its longitudinal axis, thus being able to maintain a given angle of attack (i.e. a given maximum lift force and power output) at changing wind speed without increasing much the trust on the rotor. Such control mechanism results in a smooth power output. Their demerit is their complicated arrangement (pitch motor and blade bearings) which adds cost and decreases reliability of the machine.

With an active stall regulation mechanism the machine is usually programmed to pitch the blades much like a pitch-controlled machine at low wind speeds, so as to get a reasonably large torque at low wind speeds. If the generator is about to be over loaded, then the machine also pitches its blades to increase the angle of attack of the rotor blades forcing the blades to go into a deeper stall thus wasting the excess energy in the wind [24]. In this control mechanism the machine can be run almost exactly at rated power at all high wind speeds.

2.5. Wind Resource in Ethiopia

Ethiopia has exploitable reserve of 10,000 MW wind energy with an average speed of 3.5 – 5.5 m/s, flowing for 6 hours/day. There are two basic zones with homogenous periodicity separated by the rift valley. In the first of these, covering most of the highland plateaus, there are two well-defined wind speed maximal occurring, respectively, between March and May and between September and November. In the second zone, covering most of the Ogaden and the eastern lowlands, average wind velocity reaches maximum values between May and August [1, 7, 9, 10, 11, 24]. Currently two projects are being constructed, one Ashegoda wind park (near Mekele) of 120MW and the other Adama Wind Park of nearly 40MW.

2.5.1. Wind Potential Assessment in Dejen District

Annual average wind speed at a nearby station (Debre Markos) is calculated as 3.5 m/s based on anemometer data collected at 10 m height [7]. NASA has estimated the annual average wind speed of the location to be 3.1 m/s at the same 10 m height [13]. NMA has changed its anemometer measurement height from 10 m to a data logger measurement at 2 m height. 10 m extrapolation of the wind speed data obtained from the NMA is observed to be 2.4 m/s which is very far below from its previous 10 m measurement [7]. Generally, 10 m

height is the one where most standard measurements are taken and measurements at 2 m height are error prone due to vegetation, shading and obstacles in the vicinity. Furthermore, the geographical layout of the studied area is different from the nearby stations where the measurements are taken. It is believed that the unevenness nature of the upper Blue Nile gorge is a good resource of wind, although there was no enough time to collect data and prove this. Hence, the minimum of the 3.5 m/s and the 3.1 m/s mentioned above is considered for this study and that is data obtained from NASA. This data can be extrapolated to the selected wind turbine height using equation 2.4 [7, 8]. The value of Z_0 is taken as 0.1; Weibull parameters are estimated to be $K=2$ and $c=3.9$ m/s [7]. Table 2-1 summarizes the wind speed at 10 m and 25 m heights.

Table 2-1 Monthly average wind speed (m/s) at the site from NASA

	Ja	Fe	Ma	Ap	Ma	Ju	Jul	Au	Se	Oc	No	De	Av.
NASA(10 m)	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.0	3	3.4	3.5	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.9	3.2	3.1
At 25 m	4.1	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.6	4.2	4.1	3.5	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.8	3.7

CHAPTER 3

3. Hydropower Potentials in Ethiopia

3.1. Introduction

The water of the oceans and water bodies on land are evaporated by the energy of the sun's heat and come down back to earth surface. Much of the energy of flowing water in a river gets dissipated due to friction encountered with its banks or through loss of energy through internal turbulence. Nevertheless, the energy of water always gets replenished by the solar energy which is responsible for the eternal circulation of the hydrologic cycle. There is another form of water energy that is used for hydropower development: the variation of the ocean water with time due to the moon's pull, which is termed as the tide. Hydropower engineering deals with the two forms of energy and suggests method of converting it into electricity. To make the flowing water do useful work it is necessary to create a head at a point of the stream and to convey the water through the head to the turbines.

3.2. Classification of Hydropower Plants

There are a number of criteria for classification of hydropower plants, such as head, flow rate, hydraulic nature, purpose, size and the likes. Although there is no standard classification of hydropower plants, the more widely used classification is summarized below (based on size) [25 - 30].

- Large-hydro (> 100 MW feeding into a large electricity grid)
- Medium-hydro (15 - 100 MW usually feeding a grid)
- Small-hydro (1 - 15 MW usually feeding into a grid)
- Mini-hydro (0.1 - 1 MW used either stand alone schemes or grid connected)
- Micro-hydro (From 5 - 100 kW used for a small community or rural industry in remote areas far away from the grid.)
- Pico-hydro (< 5 kW used for remote areas far away from the grid.)

Some time, hydropower plants below 15 MW are referred to as small hydro plants. This definition is adopted in this thesis work.

3.2.1. Principle of Small Hydropower

The water accumulated at higher elevation has a potential energy due to gravity. When this water is allowed to fall down a given height, its potential energy is converted into kinetic and pressure energy. Using hydro turbines, the kinetic and pressure energy can be converted into mechanical shaft energy. By coupling appropriate generator to the shaft of the hydro turbine, the energy can be converted into electrical energy. The theoretical potential of a flow stream with available head is given by:

$$P_h = g \times \eta \times Q_h \times H_{eff} \quad (3.1)$$

where: P_h = power in kilowatts (kW)

g = gravitational acceleration (9.81 m/s^2)

η = turbo-generator efficiency ($0 < \eta < 1$)

Q_h = quantity of water flow rate (m^3/sec)

H_{eff} = effective head (m)

Most of small hydropower systems are run-of-river type which requires available head and flow rate determination. Gross head is total elevation difference between the head water and tail water of hydropower system. Effective/net head is gross head minus head losses due to hydraulic losses in the trash rack, penstock, gate valves, canals, outlets and other civil structures. Head can be measured using either of altimeter, pressure gauges, clear hose method, satellite images, sighting meter method or level method [19]. Flow rate of a given river can be measured using gauge meters, area-velocity, bucket method and others. Flow records of at least one year are necessary for determination of hydropower potentials. In the absence of such long records, hydrological estimations may be adapted.

Flow duration curve can be used for selection of design flow rate and estimation of annual energy production. For hybrid system analysis, the design flow rate is optimized together with other components from overall cost point of view.

3.3. Main Components of Small Hydropower System

Figure 3-1 shows the main components of small hydropower plants the design of which mainly depends on the type of scheme, local conditions, access to construction material and also local building traditions in the country or region.

Dams: are primarily intended to divert the river flow into the water conveyance system leading to the powerhouse. Dams also produce additional head and provide storage capacity. The choice of dam type depends largely on local topographical and geotechnical conditions.

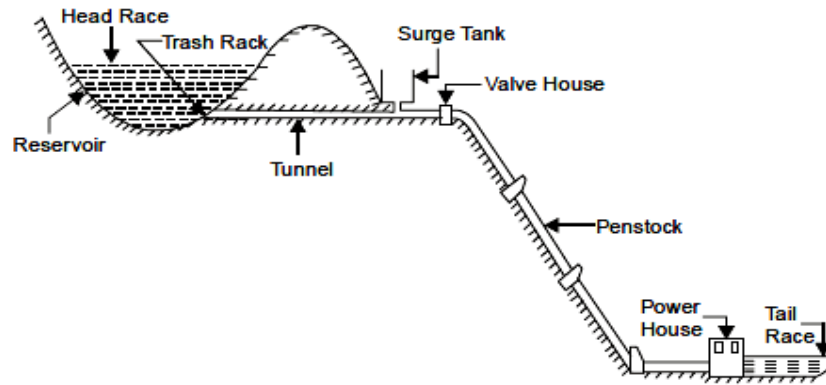


Figure 3-1 Basic components of a small hydropower plant [25]

Spillways: are structures at the top of dam (called crest) which allows excess water to flow out of the dam. Energy dissipating mechanisms are usually provided. They can be over flow type, side channel, shaft spillway/morning glory, siphon spillway and other types.

Diversion Weir: is a barrier built across the river used to divert water through an opening in the riverside (the 'Intake' opening) into a settling basin. These have opening which serves as a mechanism for over flowing of rivers. Their discharge characteristics are dependent on the geometry of their construction

Intakes Structure: is provided at the mouth of a water conveyance system for a hydropower project. Its design should be made in such a way that there should be minimum head loss, no formation of vortices, minimum entry of sediment and floating materials into the water conduit system. The location of the intake depends on a number of factors, such as submergence, geotechnical conditions, environmental considerations.

Trash rack: is required to protect the turbine runner from impinging objects. It is a structure made up of one or more panels, each generally fabricated of a series of evenly spaced parallel metal bars. Minimization of head loss with effective blocking of debris and floating objects is a design criterion.

Sediment/Sand Trap: The main objective of such a trap is to avoid sedimentation of downstream structures (canals, shafts, etc.) as well as to limit the possible damage of sediments on the hydro mechanical equipment to prevent suspended sediments. Their efficiency is measured by size of sediment they can trap. The design of length and width of the trap should be carefully designed against the minimum allowable sediment size.

Gates and Valves: are used to stop water flow for maintenance of components. Some of them are stop logs, sliding gates, flap gates, globe, rotary, sleeve-type, butterfly and sphere valves. Their head loss and ability to operate effectively for the system full gate discharge must be considered carefully

Open Channel/Canal: The flow conveyed by a canal is a function of its cross-sectional profile, its slope, and its roughness. Flume is a special form of open canal which is suspended above earth's surface with a support

Tunnel: It is a closed water passage under a natural hilly obstacle. It includes headrace tunnel, tail race tunnel and by pass tunnels.

Pressure relief tank/ surge tank: is a structure used to damp water hammering waves generated from sudden valve opening and closing.

Penstock: is the conduit that is used to carry water from the supply sources to the turbine. This conveyance is usually from a canal or reservoir to the turbine located at the power house. They can be pressure and siphon penstock types based on their principle of operation. For purposes of engineering feasibility and preliminary design, attention should be given to head loss through the penstock, thickness of the penstock, economical length and the routing of the penstock.

Power House: is a place where electromechanical equipments are to be sited and mechanical energy is converted into electrical energy. The main components are the hydraulic turbine and the electrical generator. Depending on the geographical layout of the project site, the power house can be constructed underground or on the surface of earth.

Tailrace: After passing through the turbine the water returns to the river through a short canal called a tailrace. Impulse turbines can have relatively high exit velocities, so the

tailrace should be designed to ensure that the powerhouse would not be undermined. The design should also ensure that during relatively high flows the water in the tailrace does not rise so far that it interferes with the turbine runner. With a reaction turbine the level of the water in the tailrace influences the operation of the turbine and more specifically the onset of cavitations. This level also determines the available net head and in low head systems may have a decisive influence on the economic results.

3.3.1. Hydraulic Turbines and their Selection

Commonly used hydraulic turbines are reaction and impulse turbines. Reaction turbines are the totally embedded in the fluid and powered from the pressure drop across the device. Angular and linear motions are converted into shaft power. Francis, Kaplan and propeller turbines are some of reaction turbines. Impulse turbines are not immersed into the fluid. Instead, water is provided to the turbine after passing through nozzles. The potential energy of the water is converted into kinetic energy and hits the turbine as a jet in an open environment. Pelton, Crossflow and Turgo turbines are some of impulse type hydraulic turbines.

The type of hydraulic turbine to be used is site specific. The operation mode (base load, peak load), head and flow rate of the system determines which type of turbine to be used. Most widely used method of turbine selection is specific speed method. Specific speed of a turbine is the speed at which a turbine of homologous design would operate, if the runner diameter was reduced to a size that would develop 1 kW power under one meter head. It is the maximum operating point of a turbine [25, 29, 30].

The performance of a turbine is ideal at the design head. Fall of efficiency with head variation in case of Pelton, Kaplan and Bulb turbines is much less in comparison to Francis and Propeller types. Fall of efficiency at part load for Francis and Propeller is much steeper in comparison to that for Kaplan and Pelton turbines. A turbine with higher specific speed results in higher speed of rotation for generator which consequently reduces in cost of generator. Figure 3-2 shows application range of hydraulic turbines.

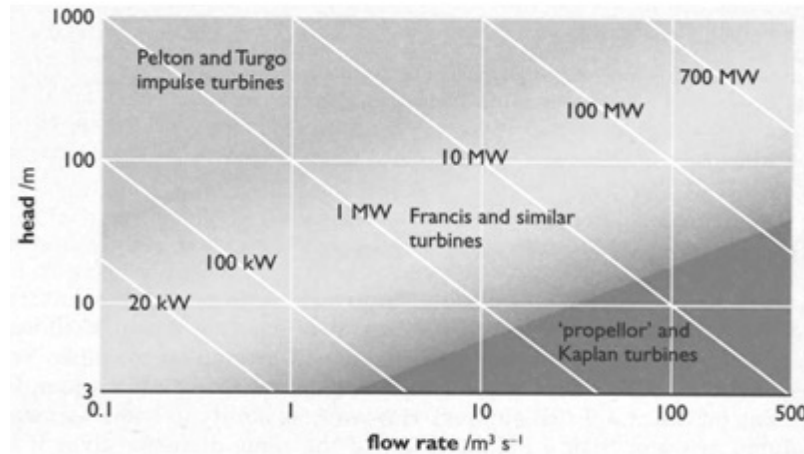


Figure 3-2 Ranges of application of different types of turbine [37]

3.3.2. Electrical Generators

An electrical generator is an electromechanical system that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy through the interaction of electromagnetic and electrostatic fields within the system. Depending on their output voltage, generators can be AC type or DC type. DC generators have unidirectional voltage output and are used for very small systems (<1.6 kW). AC generators are, now, widely used for their easy connection to AC load. AC generators are further classified as synchronous and asynchronous generators [30].

Asynchronous generators: They can be wound rotor or squirrel-cage type which operates by principle of electromagnetic induction. They need to be connected to grid system before they start-up. The synchronous speed (speed of rotating flux) is determined by the main supply. The rotor runs at speed slightly higher than this synchronous speed. They draw their excitation current from the grid, absorbing reactive energy by their own magnetism. Adding a bank of capacitors can compensate for the absorbed reactive energy. Due to this, voltage regulation in induction generators is difficult [30].

On the other hand, induction generators are simple, rugged and cheap as compared to synchronous generators. They can be used in very small stand-alone applications as a cheap solution when the required quality of the electricity supply is not very high. Otherwise, their application is limited for wind application where their source of prime mover is highly variable [30].

Synchronous generators: They have a separate field excitation associated with a voltage regulator. They run at synchronous speed and can supply the reactive energy required by the power system when the generator is connected to the grid. Synchronous generators can be used for both grid connected and isolated systems [30].

Below 1 MW, synchronous generators are more expensive than asynchronous generators and are used in power systems where the output of the generator represents a substantial proportion of the power system load. Asynchronous generators are cheaper and are used in stable grids where their output is an insignificant proportion of the power system load. Variable-speed constant frequency systems (VSG), in which turbine speed is permitted to fluctuate widely, while the voltage and frequency are kept constant and undistorted, have become available. Frequency converters are used to connect and synchronize the generators with the grid [29].

Although the prime mover varies from system to system (such as hydro, wind, diesel, steam), the equivalent circuit of a synchronous generator is same and can be represented as shown in Figure 3-3. T is the mechanical torque of the prime move.

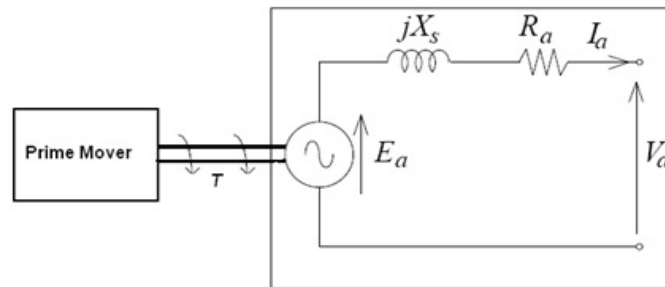


Figure 3-3 The per-phase equivalent circuit of a synchronous generator driven by a prime mover [24]

The per-phase equivalent circuit of synchronous generator is shown in Figure 3-3. Its synchronous speed is given by equation 3.2.

$$n_s = \frac{60f}{P_{pole}} \quad (3.2)$$

Where, n_s = synchronous speed

P_{pole} = number of pole pairs

f = system frequency

The output voltage is given by equation 3.3.

$$V_a = E_a - I_a (R_a + jX_s) \quad (3.3)$$

where, V_a =output terminal voltage (V)

E_a =internal voltage generated (V)

I_a =armature current (A)

R_a =winding/armature resistance (Ω)

X_a =winding/synchronous reactance ($X_s \gg R_a$)

All terms in the equation above are per phase parameters. The total electrical power output is given by equation 3.4.

$$P_{outs} = m V_a I_a \cos \Phi \quad (3.4)$$

where, P_{outs} = output power of synchronous generator (W)

m = the number of phases; $m=3$ for a 3-phase generator

$\cos \Phi$ = the cosine of the angle between the voltage V_a and the current I_a .

3.4. Hydropower Development Phases/Cycle

The most crucial steps undertaken while developing any hydropower development are project planning, project implementation and project operation [29, 30]. Project planning stage is the first stage of hydropower development cycle. The major activities are: selection of potential sites, site reconnaissance, planning of the potential site and formulation of the development plan. Several potential sites will be considered in this stage. It requires detailed study about topography, demand/load, geomorphology, water resource, environmental impact, head measurement, economic analysis and preliminary design of electro mechanical components.

Project implementation stage is the second phases of hydropower development cycle in which the detailed design and construction of the particular site is finalized including design of civil structures, design of electro-mechanical components and construction of each component. After finishing the construction phase, the hydropower plant enters into operation phase which is the third stage in the development cycle. Plant management, operation, control and maintenance are the main activities in the operation phase.

3.5. Hydropower Potential in Ethiopia

The national power system is dominated by large hydropower systems. From the total capacity of 30GW to 40GW hydropower potential, only about 2GW is developed and planned to develop about 14GW by end of 2030 [5]. All of this generation concentrates on large hydropower plants. Although not developed as such, there is plenty of small hydropower resources in Ethiopia. The average annual potential (exploitable with small slope plants without reservoir) is estimated to be about 20 TWh/year. The electric energy generated from small slope plants, being smaller in capacity and geographically dispersed, is of great importance for rural electrification [3]. Table 3-1 summarizes regional distribution of small hydropower potentials.

Table 3-1 Regional estimation of small hydropower potentials [10, 28]

Region	Approximate small hydropower potential
Oromia	35 MW
Amhara	33 MW
Benishangul-Gumuz	12MW
Gambella	2MW
SNNP	18MW

3.6. Head and Flow Rate Measurements at Selected Sites

The proposed hydropower system is runoff the river type which requires the determination of available head and flow rate at the pour points. Head can be measured using either of altimeter, pressure gauges, clear hose method, satellite images, sighting meter or level method [27]. In the case of this study, the selected sites have steep waterfalls so that their head is measured using rope (see Figure 3-4). Table 3-2 summarizes head measurement of each site and non electrified villages in the neighborhood.

Table 3-2 Head measurement results at the sites and villages in the neighborhood

Site	Head (m)	Non electrified small villages in the vicinity
Taba A	50.5	Gudy, Anqraq, G/Mariam, Dengel, Muamit, Amaya, Hlgie, Chifar, Wejel, Chuhetma, Shlemuk, Mizan, Sieko
Taba B	62	
Muga 1	47	Hagere Selam, Buhach, Gafasob, Emebuga, Esmaya Dejen, Dgtma, Burabur, Buaba, Musial, Kolem, Kodem, Yeshencha, Lit't, Gady, Enambur, Borebor, Sentayt, Gelgele, Sengrer, Worka, Alektam
Muga 2	113	
Bechet	74	Dbab Zib, Yegurtina, Omarit, Byan, Ybza, Ming, Jrie, Gentay
Suha	92.1	Suha, Kokwuha, Mehal Amba, Zebich



Figure 3-4 Sample photos taken during head measurement

Although there are gauge stations at Muga and Suha streams, there are no gauging stations at the selected sites. The flow rate at the point of interest is estimated using hydrological estimation techniques. According to World Meteorological Organization (WMO), the flow rate at ungauged sites can be estimated using one of the three methods [19] - Empirical, Statistical and Rainfall-Runoff modeling.

An empirical method establishes a simple mathematical relation between flow rates of a given catchment with flow rate of another catchment having similar hydrological response. The reference catchment is better to be within the same catchment or very near to it. The equations do not explicitly describe physical and causal relationships.

The statistical method applies multiple regression techniques. Although this method is direct, objective and easy to handle, the method estimates the specific low flow indices rather than the full time series of river flows.

Rainfall runoff models establishes a relation between catchment structure, rainfall inputs, evaporative outputs and stream flow by representing hydrological processes with a mathematical equations. These models ranges from simple to complex lumped to distributed and small to large area coverage. A large amount of data regarding physical characteristics and meteorological data of the catchment area are required.

Regional methods and rainfall runoff models require plenty of data, such as evapo-transpiration, humidity, temperature, rainfall, vegetation coverage, soil type and property, underground flow characteristics etc., which are not available in the study area. Each of the six sites has a catchment area that lies in the same Northern Gojjam sub-basin of Upper Blue Nile [28, 31]. They are located close to each other and have similar landscape, soil type and land coverage. The catchments start from the same source known as mount Choke. Data from the FAO soil map also shows the similarity of the soil type and vegetation coverage of all the sites (see Figure 3-5).

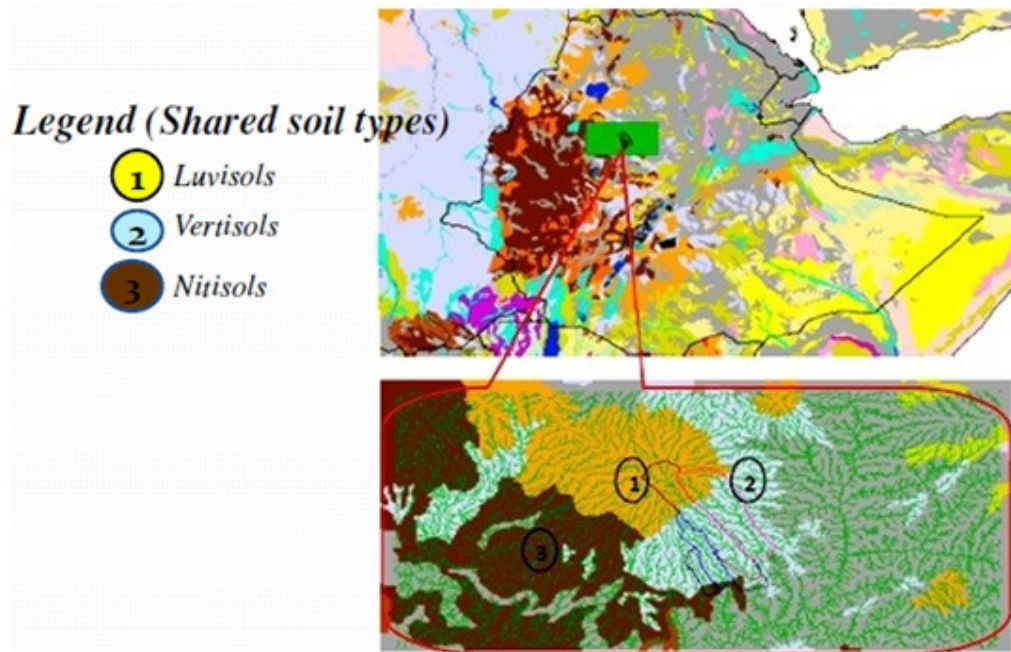


Figure 3-5 Soil type of the study area. (Source: Harmonized world soil database)

Because of such geographical similarity and insufficient hydrological data, the simple empirical estimation methods are adopted instead of the more complex statistical and rainfall runoff [19, 28, 31, 32] methods. The gauge stations at Muga and Suha streams are taken as reference for empirical formulation given by equation 3.5 [19, 28].

$$Q_{site} = K \left[\frac{A_{site}}{A_{gauge}} \right] Q_{gauge} \quad (3.5)$$

where, $A_{site} \rightarrow$ Catchment area of the power plant site (m^2)

$A_{gauge} \rightarrow$ Catchment area of the gauge (m^2)

$Q_{site} \rightarrow$ Discharge at site (m^3/s)

$Q_{gauge} \rightarrow$ Discharge at gauge (m^3/s)

$K \rightarrow$ represents a scaling constant or function.

For simplicity, the scaling factor, K , can be taken as the ratio of average annual rainfall of the site and the gauged area. Since there are only two rain gauge stations randomly placed (assumed to be equally shared), the value of K is taken as 1.

Thus, to determine the flow rate at these pour points, the contributing area to the volume flow rate at these points should be known. For stream line identification and catchment area extraction, ArcGIS 9.3 Desktop is used together with DEM (Digital Elevation Model) data found from ASTER GDEM (Advanced Space-borne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer Global Digital Elevation Model).

3.6.1. Application of ArcGIS 9.3 Desktop for Catchment Area Extraction

ArcGIS 9.3 Desktop is software released by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI). It includes a suite of integrated applications that enables to perform GIS tasks, including mapping, geographic analysis, data editing and compilation, data management, visualization, and geo-processing. ArcGIS Desktop is the framework that provides the user interaction for the three ESRI software products: ArcView, ArcEditor, ArcInfo. It is structured with ArcMap, ArcCatalog, and ArcToolbox applications for each product (ArcView, ArcEditor and ArcInfo). ArcMap represents geographic information as a collection of layers and other elements in a map view. Common map elements include the data frame containing map layers for a given extent plus a scale bar, north arrow, title, descriptive text, and a symbol legend. There are two primary map display panels in ArcMap: the data frame and the layout view. The data frame provides a geographic map frame, in which geographic information is displayed as a series of map layers. The layout view provides a page view where map elements (such as the data frame, a scale bar, and a map title) are arranged on a page [32].

The ArcCatalog application is used to manage GIS information, such as, GIS datasets, map documents, layer files. There are geo-processing functions for spatial analysis operations, for converting data from one format to another, for simple data management operations, for data integration operations such as appending map sheets, and many other

operations. These geo-processing functions are collected as tools in ArcToolbox, grouped by category in toolboxes and toolsets.

ArcGIS Desktop extensions add specialized functionality for data compilation, cartographic production, and advanced geographic analysis. Spatial analyst, 3D analyst, geo-statistical analyst, data interoperability, network analyst and few others are available extensions for ArcGIS Desktop. Spatial analyst extension helps to use density, distance, extraction, surface, ground water, hydrology, raster creation, solar radiation and other toolsets. Hydrology toolset is used for this study.

3.6.1.1. Digital Elevation Model (DEM)

DEM is a digital representation of geographical feature in the form of matrices. Hydrological information such as flow direction, flow accumulation, flow length, stream network, and catchment area can be derived from DEM with the help of hydrology toolsets released by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) with the ArcGIS 9.3. Worldwide DEM data can be downloaded free of charge from the two well-known sources. These are SRTM (Shuttle Radar Topography Mission) and ASTER-GDEM.

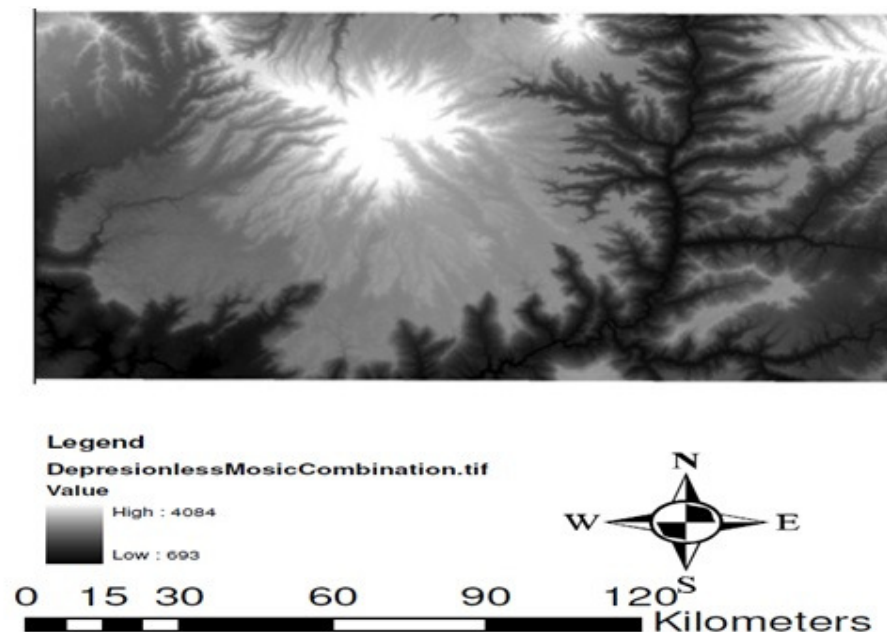


Figure 3-6 *ASTGTM_N10E37 and ASTGGTM_N10E38 cocombined into mosaic and filled*

The study area is small and is free of permanent cloud coverage. ASTER-GDEM is convenient for such places as it has fine resolution (30 m) and better accuracy (7 m). The data used for this analysis are ASTGTM_N10E37 and ASTGGTM_N10E38. The two tile DEM data were merged together. After applying the Fill Tool on the merged tiles, the result of Figure 3-6 is obtained. Using the filled DEM as input, the flow direction is computed using Flow Direction Tool. Flow Accumulation performs a cumulative count of the number of pixels that naturally drain into a given cell using Flow Direction as input.

The drainage network can be extracted from the flow accumulation using Raster Calculator tool. The threshold value of 1000 ($\sim 900,000 \text{ m}^2$) is used for stream network identification. Thus, cells with a contributing area of greater than 0.9 km^2 are included in the network. Stream link tool was used to assign values to segments of stream network.

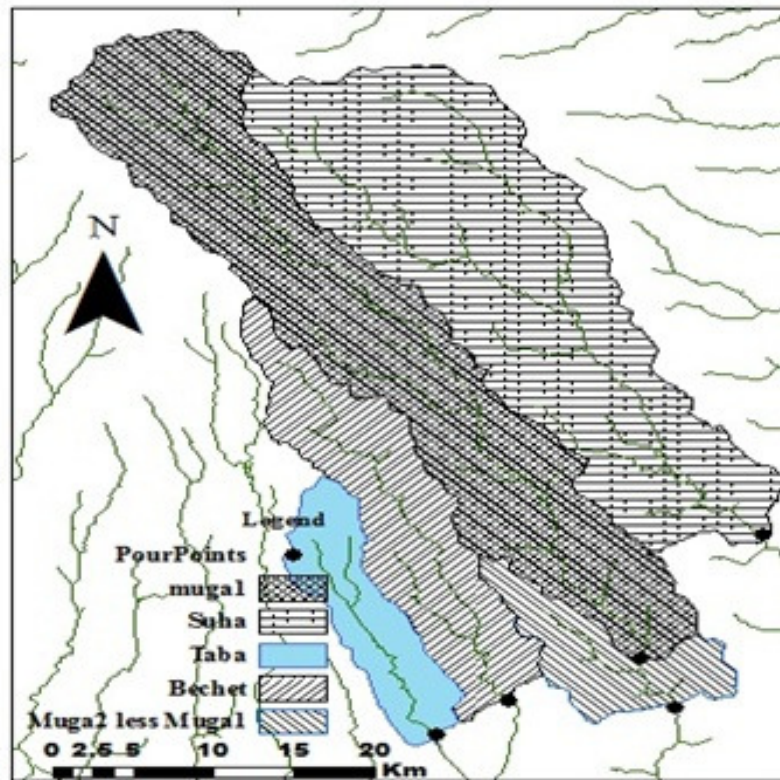


Figure 3-7 Sub basin delineation for the selected sites

The pour points are prepared on point shape file. Then, Watershed Tool is used to delineate the contributing catchments at the pour points. Each catchment area is converted to polygon feature (see Figure 3-7) to be able to calculate their area. Table 3-3

shows the result of area measurement for each site. Taba (A) and Taba (B) are found very near to each other so that their catchment area is taken to be equal for simplicity.

Table 3-3: Results of catchment area extraction

Site	Location		Catchment area (km ²)	Reference Area (km ²)	$\left[\frac{A_{site}}{A_{gauge}} \right]$
	Latitude	Longitude			
Taba	10°12'25.68"N	38° 3'3.00"E	93.963	375	0.25
Bechet	10°14'31.00"N	38° 5'37.11"E	193.545	375	0.516
Muga1	10°16'11.05"N	38°10'15.91"E	479.58	375	1.28
Muga2	10°14'11.11"N	38°11'33.70"E	562.172	375	1.5
Suha	10°21'26.46"N	38°14'45.21"E	529.621	359	1.475

Based on their geographical locations, gauge station at Muga River is taken as a reference catchment for Muga site I, Muga Site II, Bechet Site and Taba site. The gauged catchment at Suha River is taken as a reference for Suha site. The value of the catchment area ratio of each site to its corresponding reference catchment is given in Table 3-3. The value of K is taken to be 1 by assuming the same rainfall distribution over the sites.

A 25 years (1980 – 2005) recorded flow rate data of the two reference gauge stations at Muga stream and Suha streams is taken from MoWR (former). After filling missed data using average of vertically and horizontally neighboring data sets, monthly average flow rate for 2004 is calculated using equation (3.5) and is summarized in Table 3-4. Year to year variation is observed to occur mainly from rainfall variation in the rainy seasons. Since the determinant flow rate for runoff hydropower system is one available in the dry seasons, the hydro system is less sensitive to year to year variation.

Table 3-4: Mean monthly flow rate at gauged points and at the selected sites

Mean monthly flow rate in m ³ /s												
Site	Ja	Fe	Ma	Ap	Ma	Ju	Ju	Au	Sep	Oc	No	De
<i>Muga river flow</i>												
gauged	0.25	0.05	0.42	0.24	0.61	0.85	26.27	18.80	14.40	2.20	0.64	0.40
Muga I	0.32	0.06	0.54	0.31	0.78	1.08	33.63	24.10	18.40	2.90	0.80	0.50
Muga II	0.37	0.08	0.63	0.36	0.92	1.27	39.41	28.20	21.60	3.30	0.97	0.54
Bechet	0.13	0.03	0.22	0.12	0.32	0.44	13.55	9.71	7.44	1.20	0.33	0.19
Taba	0.06	0.01	0.11	0.06	0.15	0.21	6.57	4.71	3.61	0.60	0.16	0.09
<i>Suha river flow</i>												
gauged	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.26	0.22	0.30	6.87	9.81	3.20	2.90	0.24	0.15
Suha	0.09	0.05	0.06	0.39	0.32	0.44	10.13	14.50	4.72	4.30	0.35	0.23

CHAPTER 4

4. Hybrid System Optimization using HOMER

4.1. Introduction

With efficient, reliable and cost-effective renewable energy resources, off-grid supply can be used as an alternative to the power supplied by diesel generator for rural electrification. However, due to intermittency nature of renewable resources, use of any particular renewable energy resource based system may lead to component over-sizing and unnecessary operational and lifecycle costs. Such limitations can be overcome by combining one or more renewable energy resources in a form of a hybrid system. Hybrid systems improve load factors plants and save maintenance and replacement costs, as the renewable resource components complement each other [14]. For optimal combination of different renewables, various types of hybrid systems and methods of techno-economic analysis are used. Excel based, linear programming, artificial intelligence, LINGO and HOMER are the most commonly used methods of hybrid system optimization techniques [14-18].

4.2. Basic Components and Model of Hybrid System

The basic components of the hybrid system are the hydro system, the wind plant and the PV system. Others are additional/auxiliary components which help for full time functioning of the hybrid system. The principle of operation of the basic components has been covered before. The principle of operation for diesel generator is same as generators used for hydro (see section 3.3.2.) except the prime mover, in this case, is diesel engine. Figure 4-1 shows schematic of the hybrid system.

The power conditioners are set of power electronics converters which enable to handle the variability of wind and solar resources. They are composed of DC/DC, AC/DC, DC/AC converters. The AC output of the hydropower, diesel and generator are integrated and controlled in such a way that the output can be directly supplied to the connected AC load. When there is excess of energy (mainly from the wind, PV and hydro), it is directed to the battery through the converter and DC center. In addition, frequency and voltage regulation control circuitry is to be included in the operation and control center. Similarly, the DC output of the PV panel is connected to the system via

the DC center. The DC center is integrated with the system through DC/AC and AC/DC converters. As well as, it is connected to PV and battery components. Since the scope of this study is limited to the feasibility assessment of energy resources, detailed analysis of each component of the hybrid system are not covered.

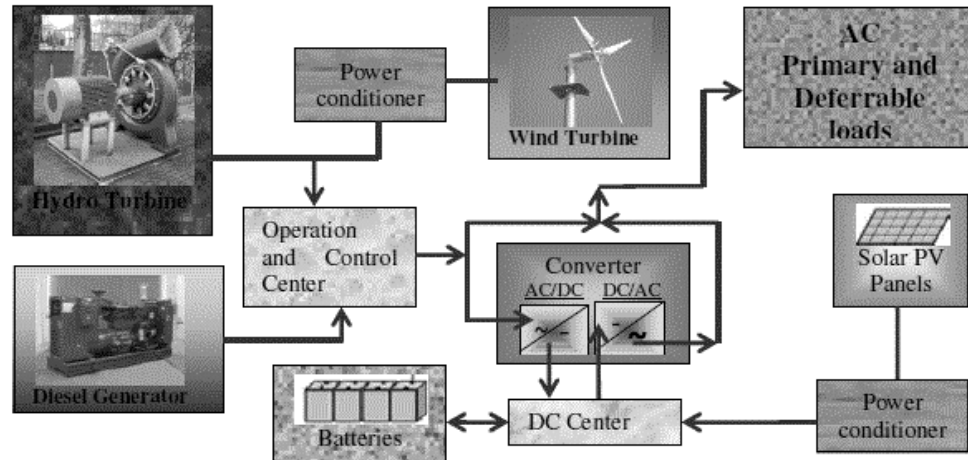


Figure 4-1 General scheme of Small Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid system

4.2.1. Converter

Converters are generally four types: DC/DC, DC/AC, AC/DC and AC/AC. Power electronics devices (such as IGBT, power MOSFET, power Transistor, Thyristors, etc.) are used as a switching gate in different pattern of arrangement to achieve the required conversion output. DC/DC converters are classified as boost, buck and buck-boost converters based on their output voltage relative to their input (possibility of “step-up”, “step-down” or both respectively). They convert a given DC voltage level to the required voltage level. DC/AC converters (also called, inverters) can be classified based on the triggering signal as square wave, sine wave or modified sine wave. These devices use a given DC voltage as input and output the required voltage of a given amplitude and frequency. AC/DC converters (also called rectifiers) operate in the reverse principle of inverters. AC voltage source is used as input which passes through half or full bridge circuit (with a firing angle control) to result a rectified DC voltage output. AC/AC converters are used for conversion of AC voltage of a given frequency and amplitude to another AC voltage of the required amplitude and frequency.

4.2.2. Battery

The one important reason of a hybrid system is to reduce component over-sizing by storing the excess energy available at one time for usage during shortage time. There are

different types of storage mechanism such as batteries, pumped storage, hydrogen, fly wheels etc. Rechargeable batteries are widely used for implementation of hybrid energy systems because of their cheapness and easy operation.

Battery is a device in which the chemical energy of an electrolyte is converted into electrical energy through electrodes by the process of electrolysis. They are referred to as secondary cells (which can be recharged). The main parameters of selecting batteries are maximum throughput and minimum state of charge. Maximum throughput is measured by the output of the battery (in ampere-hour) that can be delivered throughout its life time. Minimum state of charge is the measure of how low the battery can be discharged as a percentage of its full capacity without losing its performance. There are very deep cycle batteries which can be discharged up to 40% such as Surrrette6CS25P [33].

4.3. Simulation using HOMER

HOMER is a user-friendly micro-power design tool developed in 1992 by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in the USA. The software can simulate and optimize stand-alone and grid-connected power systems with any combination of wind turbines, PV arrays, run-of-river hydro power, biomass power, internal combustion engine generators, fuel cells, batteries, and hydrogen storage, serving both electric and thermal loads [15, 33].

HOMER has three main windows which are used to enter necessary data to the software. The first is Add/Remove window where technologies to be considered are selected. The second window is Resource window which shows the type of energy source that are to be used corresponding to the equipments selected in the Add/Remove window. The third one is the Others window where economics, emission, constraints and system controls are defined. Details of each element in these windows should be defined.

In this study, wind turbine (type, cost, hub height, life time and number), hydro (cost, head, design flow rate, efficiency, minimum and maximum flow rate ratio, life time and head loss), PV (size, cost, slope, ground reflectance, derrating factor, life time), converter (cost, efficiency, size and life time), diesel generator (cost, size, minimum load ratio, fuel curve, type of fuel and life time), battery (type, cost and number of strings, life time), primary load (hourly data for the year, daily and hourly noise) and deferrable load

(monthly average daily load, minimum ratio and storage capacity) are added to the system.

Details of solar, wind, hydro and diesel resources are defined. In the solar resource window, monthly averaged daily solar radiation data, location and time zones are defined which are used by the software to calculate the hourly incident solar radiation on the PV panel. In the wind resource window, monthly averaged wind speed data, altitude, anemometer height, variation with height, Weibull k, autocorrelation factors, diurnal pattern strength, hour of peak wind speed are defined which are used by HOMER to estimate the wind distribution and output power. In the hydro resource window, the monthly average stream flow and residual flow are defined. The diesel cost is defined in the diesel resource window.

Interest rate and project life time are defined in the economics window. Dispatch strategy (load follow and/or cycle charging) and generators control options are defined in the system control window. Greenhouse gas emission penalty are defined in the emission window. Maximum annual capacity shortage, minimum renewable fraction and operating reserves are defined in the constraint window.

The main objective of the overall project is to propose the optimal combination of the six small hydropower potentials together with wind and PV systems in a form of a hybrid system, which will improve the system reliability and investment costs. But, there is a limitation of the HOMER software to handle more than one hydro resource at the same time. Hence, modular analysis is opted for and the nominal hydropower potential of each site is roughly estimated as a percentage of the sum total. Based on the percentage contribution, the primary and the deferrable loads are allocated to each site. A hybrid system at each site can be then analyzed and finally the results will be combined into single overall system. Accordingly, Muga I, Muga II, Suha, Bechet, Taba (B) and Taba (A) share the community load in the 21.7, 56.3, 7.5, 8.3, 3.45 and 2.35 percentages respectively.

HOMER simulates all the possible system configurations based on the combinations of the components specified to it as input data and discards the infeasible system configurations that do not adequately meet the suggested load with the available resource

and/or specified constraints [33]. Hence, only feasible combinations are displayed according to the total net present cost (NPC) in an increasing order. The optimization results are given out in an overall form and in a categorized form. For a particular set of sensitivity variables (solar radiation, average wind speed, diesel price, etc.), the overall table displays all feasible system configurations according to cost effectiveness. The categorized table displays only the most cost effective configuration from each possible hybrid system types.

It is to be noted that the results can further be refined with the refinement of the component sizes, but at a cost of much longer running time of the software. In this work a step by step repeated simulation is carried out by varying the input variables from coarse to fine and a practically applicable results have been achieved.

Since the price for diesel and for PV panels are more dynamic than other types of components, a range of diesel price and a PV capital and replacement cost multipliers are used as sensitivity parameters. HOMER displays the sensitivity analysis both in tabular and graphical form.

4.4. Load Estimation

One of the basic inputs to HOMER is the load profile of the system. According to Bekele G. et al. [24], electric load in the rural villages of Ethiopia can be assumed to be composed of lighting, radio and television, water pumps, health post and primary schools load. Tamrat B. [10] considered only lighting, radio and television as a community load. In this study, electricity for cooking and for flour mills is added to the load together with home radio and a TV set. Water pumps are considered as deferrable loads while the others as primary loads. As indicated previously, there are about 63,000 people without electricity now or even in the near future. Assuming an average of 6 members in a family, there would be a total of 10,500 families. Assuming one elementary school and one health center per 420 families, a total of 25 primary schools and 25 health centers are required for the community.

Each primary school consists of 8 classrooms and each classroom will be installed with four 11W CFLs (compact fluorescent lamps) and a radio receiver. An 11 W CFL has an equivalent lumens effect of a 60 W incandescent lamp. Additional 4 CFLs (of 11W) for

external lighting are also considered. Evening classes are conducted from 18:00 to 21:00 and the receivers are used for radio lessons. Similarly for the 25 health centers, having 3 rooms each, one 11W CFL per room and one 20W CFL for external lighting are considered. A vaccine refrigerator of 80W working for 24 hours; a 20W capacity microscope and a 5 W radio receiver for the office hours; and a 1 kW water heater operational for 3 hours per day are also suggested for each health centers. One ceiling fan (75W) per room is also to be installed for air conditioning purpose between 10:00 and 15:00.

For the community a total of 25 flour mills of 12.5 kW working from 9:00 to 12:00 and 14:00 to 18:00 are assumed. Each family is assumed to use electric stove of 3 kW rating for baking a local bread, “Injera”, for 40 minutes once every fourth day. Baking takes place side by side with either of preparation of breakfast (6:00-9:00, lunch (11:00-14:00) or 15:00-18:00. Each household is to be installed with 3 CFLs of 11W rating to be lit from 18:00 to 23:00. Additionally a CFL of 11W is also considered for external lighting. A radio receiver (5W) and a TV set (70W) are to be used in the time 18:00 to 23:00.

Water pumping system is required for the households, the schools and health care centers. A minimum of 100 l of water per day per family and 2400 l/day for each pair of one health center and one primary school is suggested [8, 24]. To accomplish this, 110 pumps of 450 W (with a capacity of 30 l/m) operating for 6 hours/day are to be installed to supply water for the community. Another 25 pumps of 150W (with a capacity of 10 l/m) for the 25 schools and health centers operating for 4 hours/day are assumed. A water storage capacity of 4 days is suggested requiring a storage capacity of 1188 kWh for the community and 60 kWh for primary school and health centers. The peak deferrable load is 3.75 kW for primary school and health center and 49.5 kW for the community.

Exceptions: The following exceptions to what is discussed above for weekend days, January, June July August and September. Because of religious concern, peoples are not on their regular activities in the weekend (i.e. religious holydays). Flour mills are not operational also for the same reason. And evening classes can be conducted at day time. Similarly, TV and radio may be enjoyed from 10:00 to 17:00 (all the day after church, in addition to 18:00 to 23:00 stated above in paragraph 2). Up to 30% deferrable load

decreases can be expected in the rainy season [24]. 15% load decrease for June and September while 30% for July and August are assumed. There are no classes in July and August (annual break) and in January (semester break).

Based on the above analysis, the community will have a primary peak demand of 1423 kW, average primary load of 684 kW, annually averaged daily load of 16413 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48 is found. A deferrable peak demand of 52.25 kW, annually averaged daily load of 289 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 1248 kWh are found. The variation of the deferrable load and the daily primary load (for week days) throughout the year is shown in Table 4-1. HOMER generated load data is depicted in Figures (4-2 & 4-3)

Table 4-1 Monthly variation of daily primary and deferrable loads for the week days

Load Type Category		Demand (kWh/day)					
		Jan	Feb-May	June	Jul & Aug	Sep	Oct-Dec
Deferrable		312	312	265.2	218.4	265.2	312
Primary	Household	13093.5	13093.5	13093.5	13093.5	13093.5	13093.5
	Health Posts	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9
	Primary Schools	13.2	135.6	135.6	13.2	135.6	135.6
	Mills	2187.5	2187.5	2187.5	2187.5	2187.5	2187.5
Total		15726.1	15848.5	15801.7	15632.5	15801.7	15848.5

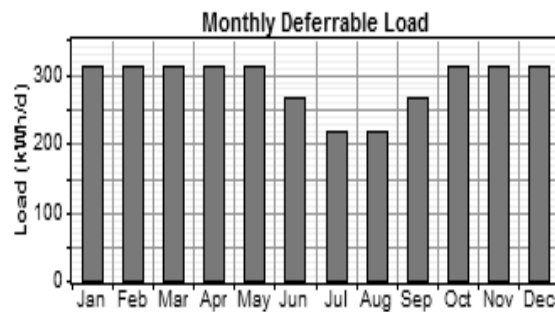


Figure 4-2 Overall system deferrable load

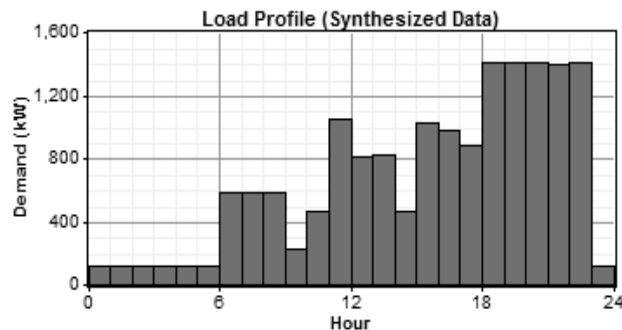


Figure 4-3 Overall system daily primary load

To account for randomness of load variation, a 5% daily and hourly noises are considered.

4.5. Summary of Input Data to HOMER

4.5.1. Common inputs to all sites

Although each of the six sites, therefore six hybrid systems, is to be separately treated, there are common elements to all systems. Wind and solar radiation variations for such small range study areas can be neglected [7-9, 13]. The type of PV panel, wind turbine, diesel generator, converter and battery components are same for all systems, except their size and number. In addition, the sensitivity variables, constraints and system control strategies are similar. Cost information of small hydropower, solar PV module, battery, converter, diesel generator and wind turbine is collected from local suppliers, manufacturers and from different websites [34-38].

The HOMER synthesized wind speed probability density function (PDF) at 10 m height is shown in Figure 4-4. The type of wind turbine to be used is HY-5 kW which has a good cut-in speed of 2.5 m/s and its power curve is shown in Figure 4-5 [35]. The solar radiation data is also shown in Figure 4-6.

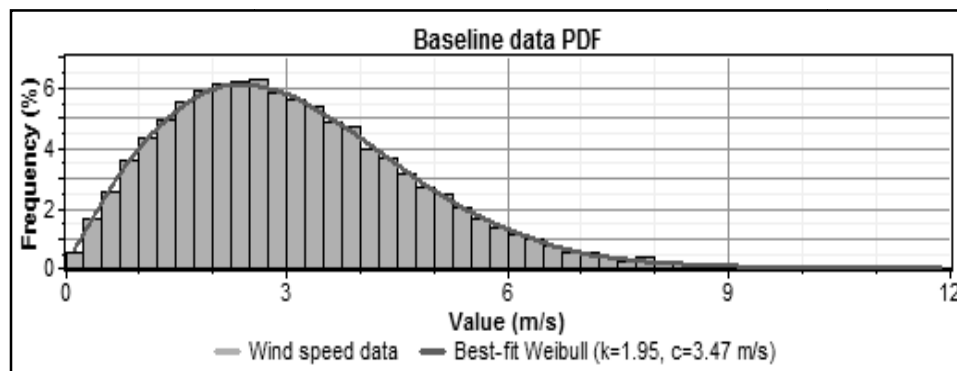


Figure 4-4 Probability density function of wind speed (at 10 m height)

The hydropower system pipe head loss of 15 % is assumed with 10 l/s reserve flow rate for all sites. Hydropower efficiency of 75% with 35% minimum flow ratio and 100% maximum flow ratio is taken. Derating factor of 90% and 20% ground reflectance PV system without tracking system is considered. PV panels are to be mounted at slope of 10.25° (latitude of the site). Inverter and converter efficiencies are assumed to be 90%.

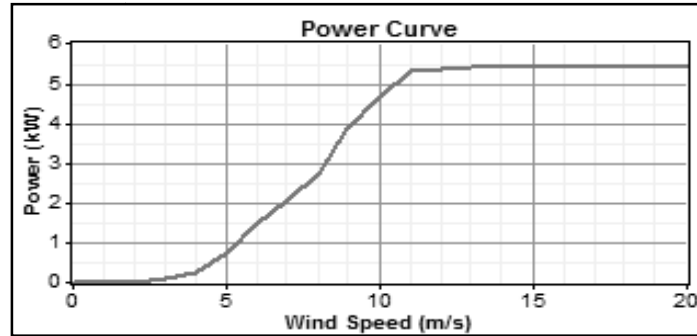


Figure 4-5 Power curve of HY-5 kW wind turbine

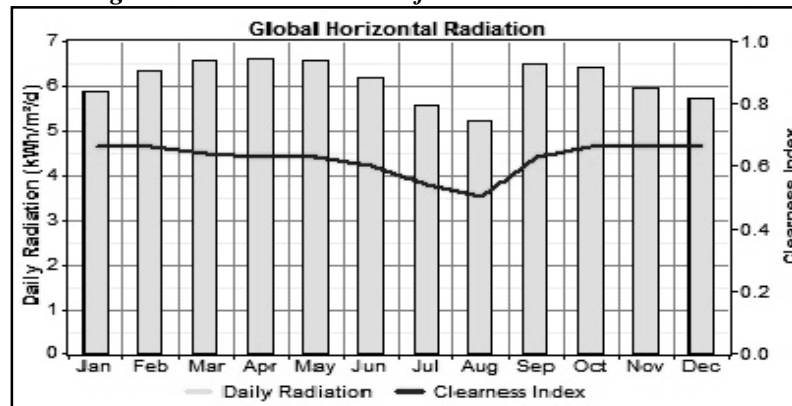


Figure 4-6 Monthly solar radiation (kW/m²)

Diesel generator is allowed to operate under a minimum load ratio of 70%. Its fuel curve characteristics are calculated using HOMER and an intercept coefficient of 0.02 l/hr/kW and slope of 0.23 l/hr/kW are found using data from manufacturer's website [34]. The generator efficiency against its percentage loading is shown in Figure 4-7.

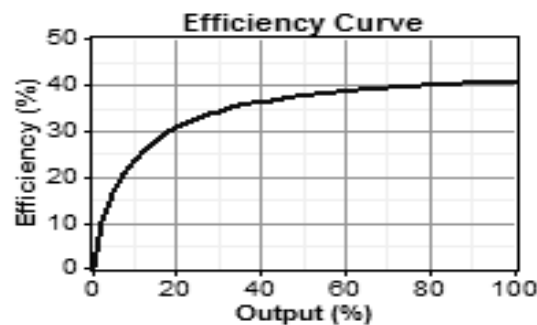


Figure 4-7 Cummins diesel generator efficiency curve

Both cyclic charge (CC) and load follow (LF) dispatch strategies are considered. The load following strategy is a dispatch strategy whereby whenever a generator operates; it produces only enough power to meet the primary load. Lower-priority objectives such as

charging the battery bank or serving the deferrable load are left to the renewable power sources. The cycle charging strategy is a dispatch strategy whereby whenever a generator needs to operate to serve the primary load, it operates at full output power. Surplus electrical production goes toward the lower-priority objectives such as, in order of decreasing priority: serving the deferrable load and charging the battery bank [33].

Daily and hourly primary load noise is taken to be about 5%. An operating reserve of 10% of hourly load, 25% of solar output power and 50 % wind power output respectively is suggested. To account greenhouse effect, a \$20/t of penalty for CO₂ emission is considered. Maximum annual energy shortage and minimum renewable fraction are set to 5% and 0% respectively. Interest rate of 6.7% and 25 years project life time is used for present cost analysis.

A diesel price of \$0.6/l, \$0.9/l and \$1.2/l and a PV capital and replacement cost multipliers of 0.6, 0.8 and 1 are taken for sensitivity analysis.

4.5.2. Specific Inputs for Taba A

The monthly average flow rate is shown in Figure 4-8. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and an about 80 l/s design flow rate is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 50.5 m. Table 4-2 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Taba A. Some of the components are expressed in kW while others in quantities. The life time of battery is indicated by its maximum throughput. This site shares about 2.35% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-9 & 4-10).

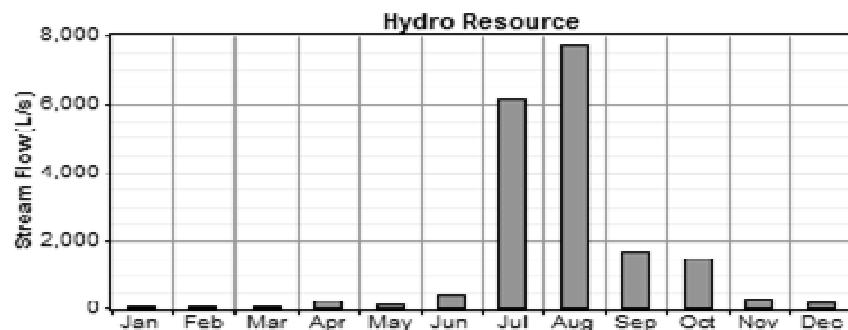


Figure 4-8 Annual stream flow at Taba A.

It has a primary peak demand of 39.1 kW, average primary load of 18.8 kW, annually averaged daily load of 451 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A deferrable peak demand of 1.46 kW, annually averaged daily load of 7.94 kWh/day and a storage capacity of

34.32 kWh are found. The hybrid system set up developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 4-11 (including 5% daily and hourly noise).

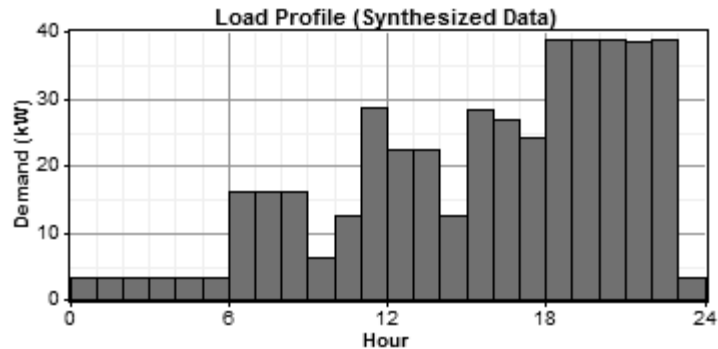


Figure 4-9 Primary load for Taba A site

Table 4-2 Inputs to HOMER software Taba A

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery S6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	29.7	0 - 77	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	65000	0 - 9000	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	30000	0 - 6000	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	1000	0.4/hr	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40	-----	29.7	0, 22, 26, 33, 35, 44, 53, 77	-----	0, 10, 20, 25, 30, 35
Quantities	-----	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	-----	-----	0, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

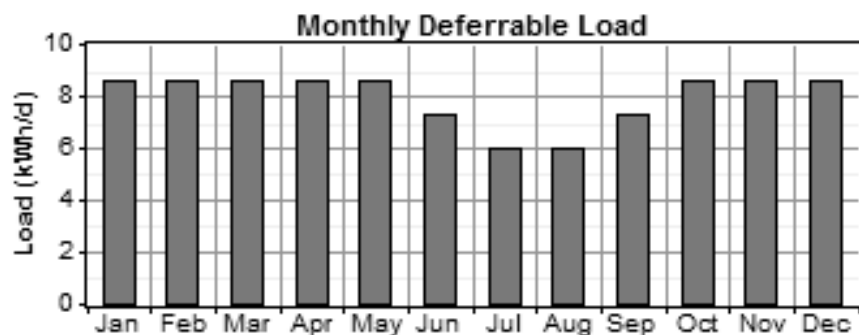


Figure 4-10 Deferrable load for Taba A site

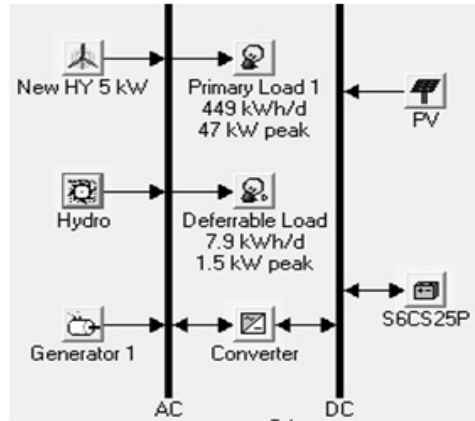


Figure 4-11 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup for Taba A

4.5.3. Specific Inputs for Taba B

The monthly average flow rate at this site is same as Taba A shown in Figure 4-8. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and 80 l/s is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 62 m and shares about 3.45% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-12 & 4-13). It has a primary peak demand of 49.1 kW, average primary load of 23.6 kW, annually averaged daily load of 566 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A deferrable peak demand of 1.84 kW, annually averaged daily load of 9.96 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 43.06 kWh are found.

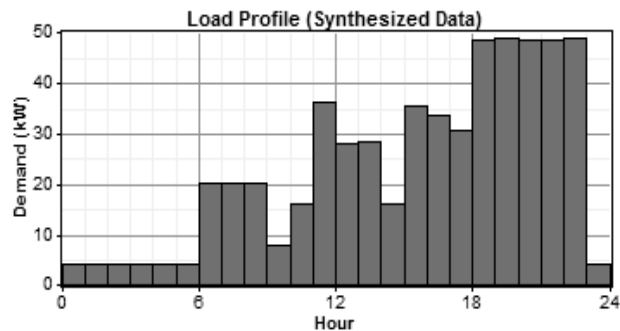


Figure 4-12 Primary load for Taba B



Figure 4-13 Deferrable load for Taba B

The hybrid system set up developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 4-14 (including 5% daily and hourly noise). Table 4-3 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Taba B.

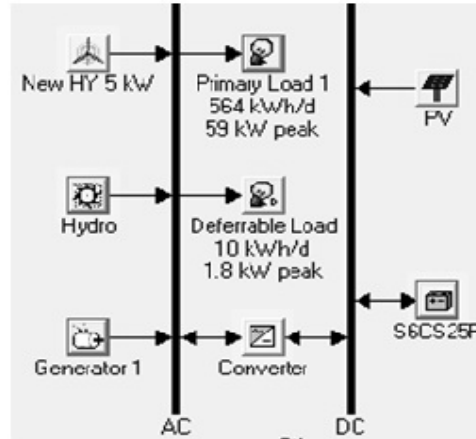


Figure 4-14 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup for Taba B

Table 4-3 Inputs to HOMER software for Taba B

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery S6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	36.5	0-77	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	70000	0-9000	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	30000	0-6000	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	1400	0.4/hr	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40	-----	36.5	0, 22, 26, 33, 35, 44, 53, 77	-----	0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50
Quantities	-----	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	-----	-----	0, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

4.5.4. Specific Inputs for Bechet

The monthly average flow rate at this site is shown in Figure 4-15. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and about 200 l/s is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 74 m. This site shares about 8.3% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-16 & 4-17). It has a primary peak demand of 118 kW, average primary load of 56.8 kW, annually averaged daily load of 1362 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A deferrable peak demand of 4.42 kW, annually averaged daily load of 24 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 103.8 kWh are found. The hybrid system set up

developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 4-18 (including 5% daily and hourly noise). Table 4-4 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Bechet.

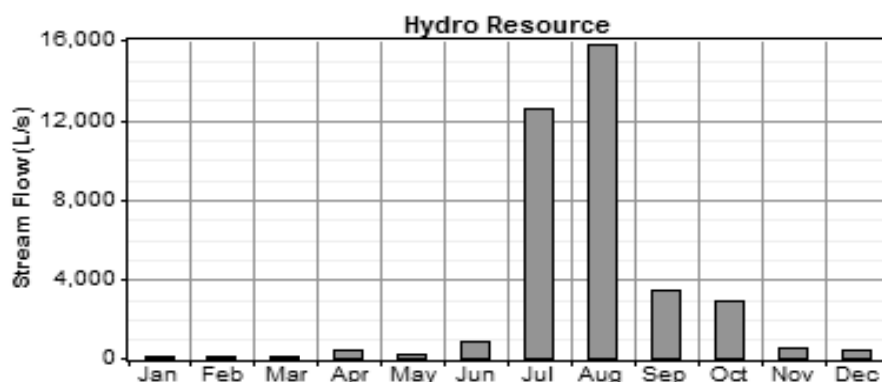


Figure 4-15 Annual stream flow at Bechet site.

Table 4-4 Inputs to HOMER software for Bechet

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery Surrrette6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	109	0 - 77	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	180000	0 - 9000	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	60000	0 - 6000	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	4800	0.4/hr	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40	-----	109	0, 22, 26, 33, 35, 44, 53, 77	-----	0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60
Quantities	-----	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	-----	-----	0, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

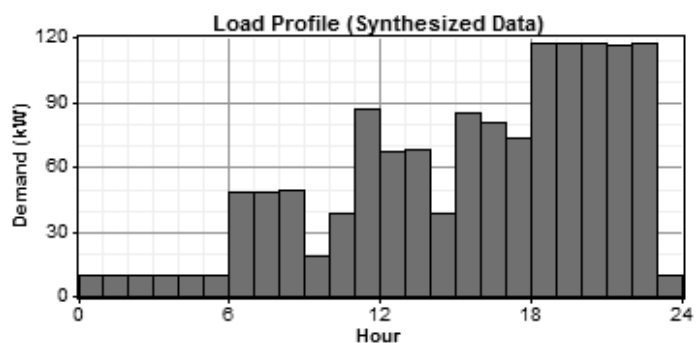


Figure 4-16 Primary load at Bechet site

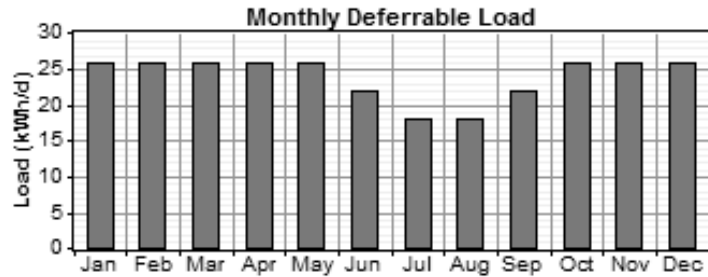


Figure 4-17 Deferrable load at Bechet site

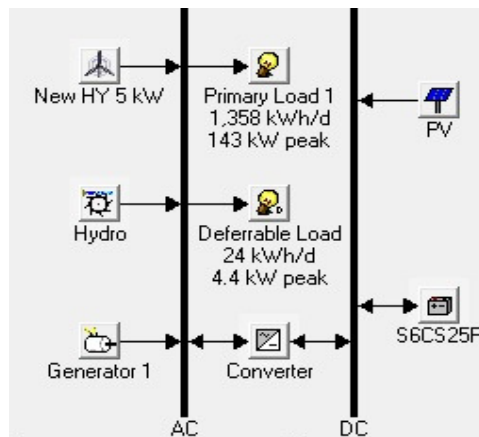


Figure 4-18 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup for Bechet

4.5.5. Specific Inputs for Suha

The monthly average flow rate at this site is shown in Figure 4-19. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and 120 l/s is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 92 m.

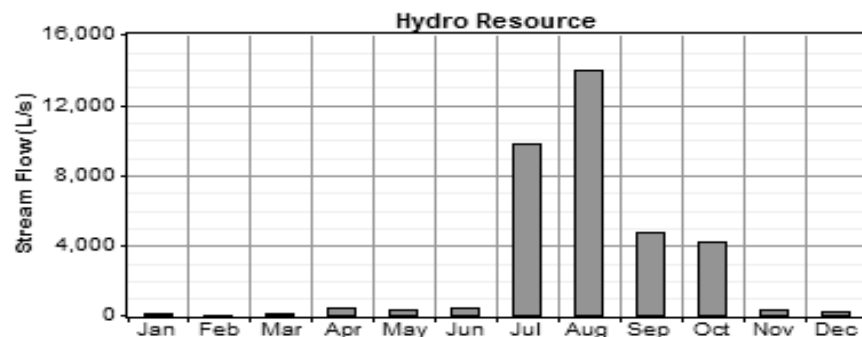


Figure 4-19 Annual stream flow at Suha

This site shares about 7.5% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-20 & 4-21). It has a primary peak demand of 107 kW, average primary load of 51.3

kW, annually averaged daily load of 1231 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A deferrable peak demand of 4 kW, annually averaged daily load of 21.6 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 93.6 kWh are found. The hybrid system set up developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 22 (including 5% daily and hourly noise). Table 4-5 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Suha.

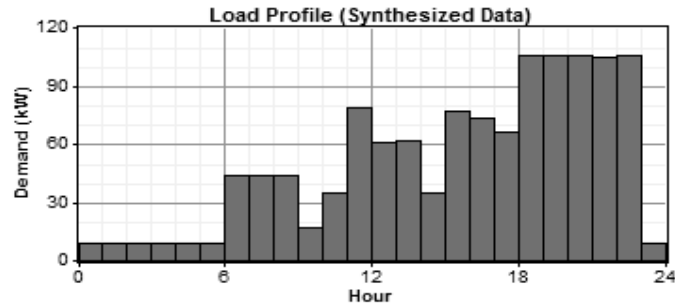


Figure 4-20 Primary load at Suha site

Table 4-5 Inputs to HOMER software for Suha site

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery S6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	81.2	0 - 77	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	160000	0 - 9000	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	60000	0 - 6000	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	4700	0.4/hr	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30	-----	81.2	0, 22, 26, 33, 35, 44, 53, 77	-----	0, 10, 20, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80
Quantities	-----	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	-----	-----	0, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

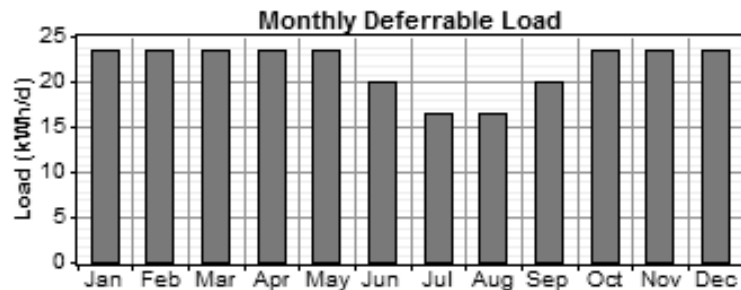


Figure 4-21 Deferrable load at Suha site

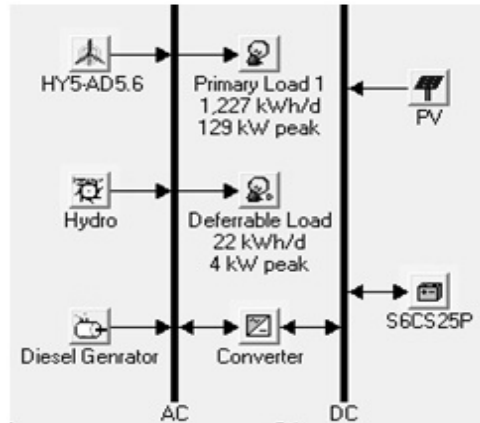


Figure 4-22 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup at Suha site

4.5.6. Specific Inputs for Muga I

The monthly average flow rate at this site is shown in Figure 4-23. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and 547 l/s is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 48 m.

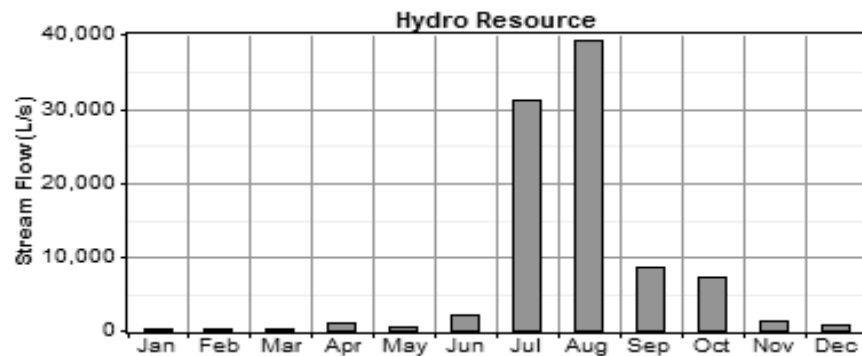


Figure 4-23 Annual stream flow at Muga I site

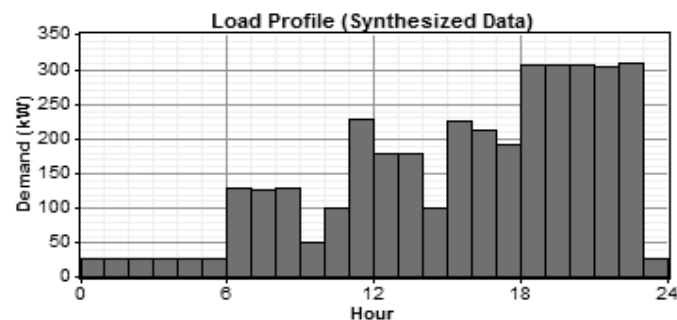


Figure 4-24 Primary load at Muga I site

This site shares about 21.7% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-24 & 4-25). It has a primary peak demand of 349 kW, average primary load of 148 kW, annually averaged daily load of 3562 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A

deferrable peak demand of 11.56 kW, annually averaged daily load of 62.6 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 270.76 kWh are found. The hybrid system set up developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 4-26 (including 5% daily and hourly noise). Table 4-6 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Muga I.

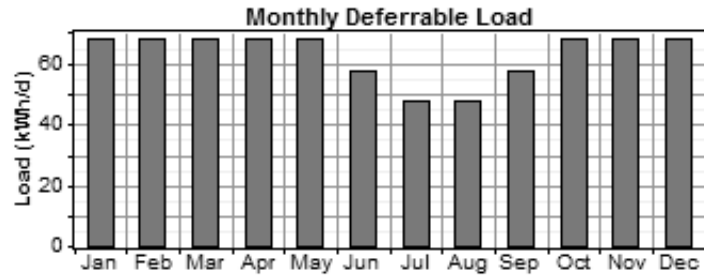


Figure 4-25 Deferrable load at Muga I site

Table 4-6 Inputs to HOMER software for Muga I

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery S6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	193	0 - 176	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	380000	0 - 17986	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	175000	0 - 12050	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	7000	0.4 – 0.5(\$/hr)	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0,10,20,30,40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110	-----	193	0, 22, 44, 53, 74, 99, 114, 132, 154, 176	-----	0 ,50, 100, 120, 140, 155, 170, 180, 190, 200
Quantities	-----	0, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20	-----	-----	0, 120, 180, 280, 320, 360, 400, 440, 480	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

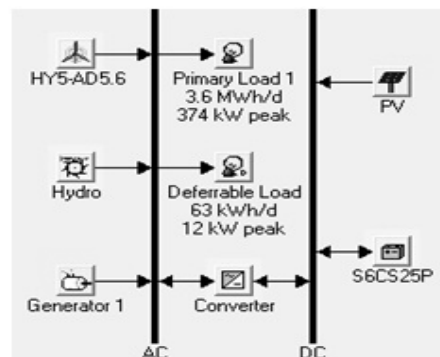


Figure 4-26 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup at Muga I site

4.5.7. Specific Inputs for Muga II

The monthly average flow rate at this site is shown in Figure 4-27. The design flow rate is repeatedly simulated and 1000 l/s is found to be more economical. This site has a gross head of 113 m and shares about 56.3% of the total primary and deferrable loads as shown in Figures (4-28 & 4-29). It has a primary peak demand of 801 kW, average primary load of 385 kW, annually averaged daily load of 9242 kWh/day and a load factor of 0.48. A deferrable peak demand of 30 kW, annually averaged daily load of 289 kWh/day and a storage capacity of 712 kWh are found. The hybrid system set up developed using HOMER is shown in the Figure 4-30 (including 5% daily and hourly noise). Table 4-7 shows the summary of the data input to HOMER for Muga II.

Table 4-7 Inputs to HOMER software for Muga II

	PV Module	Wind turbine	Hydro System	Diesel Generator	Battery S6cs25p	Converter
Size (kW)	1	5	831	0 - 396	1156 Ah	1
Capital (\$)	1800-3000	4990	1100000	0 - 33245	833	700
Replacement Cost(\$)	1800-3000	3327	500000	0 - 22279	555	700
O & M cost(\$/yr)	25	100	33000	0.4 – 0.5(\$/hr)	15	10
Sizes (kW) considered	0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40	-----	831	0, 53, 154, 200, 294, 354, 360, 374, 382, 396	-----	0, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320
Quantities	-----	0,1,2,3	-----	-----	0, 120, 200, 280, 320, 360, 400, 440	-----
Life Time	20 yrs	20 yrs	>25 yrs	40000 hrs	9645 kWh	15 yr

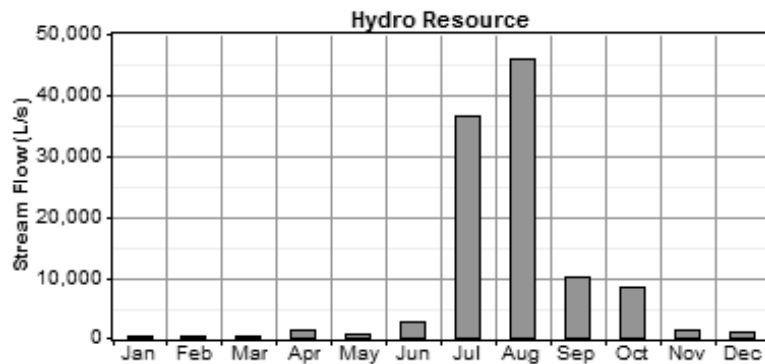


Figure 4-27 Annual stream flow at Muga II

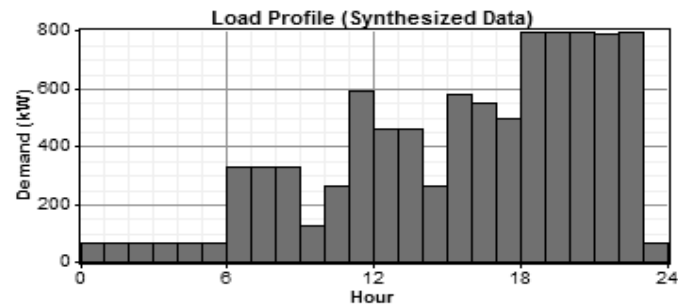


Figure 4-28 Primary load at Muga II

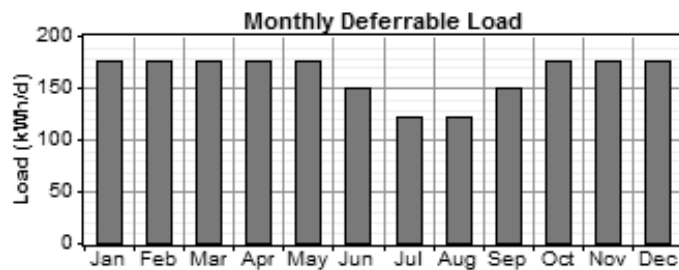


Figure 4-29 Deferrable load at Muga II

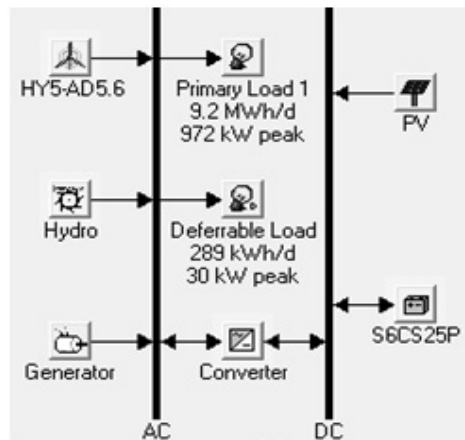


Figure 4-30 Hydro/PV/Wind hybrid setup for Muga II

CHAPTER 5

5. Simulation Results and Discussion

5.1. Introduction

The feasibility study is carried out in two ways: optimization and sensitivity analysis. The optimization results are given out in an overall form and in a categorized form which represents feasible system configurations capable of meeting the system load and constraints. The results are displayed in an increasing order of the total net present cost (NPC). A given system type may have many different configurations based on the size combination of constituent elements. The categorized table displays only the most cost effective configuration from each system type. The overall optimization table displays all feasible system configurations (for any possible system type) ranked in their cost effectiveness. From the details of the optimization analysis the following can be observed: size of different components in each system, electric production of each component, capital, replacement and operating and maintenance cost of each system, annualized cost, excess and shortage of capacity, cost of energy (COE), renewable fraction, unmet load, amount of emission for each of green house gas, consumption of diesel, operating hour and number of starting of diesel generator, life time of generator and battery, throughput of battery and fuel cost. Renewable fraction cost of energy (COE), unmet load and total NPC values can be used as a parameter of selecting a given configuration among the many candidates.

The sensitivity analysis explains the “what if...” problem for input variables having dynamic nature. It takes the most cost effective system configuration for each combination of sensitivity variable values. Since the price for diesel and for PV panels are more dynamic than other types of components, a range of diesel price (\$0.6/l to \$1.2/l) and a PV capital cost multipliers (0.6 to 1) are used as sensitivity parameters. The PV capital and replacement cost multipliers are linked together. HOMER displays the sensitivity analysis both in tabular and graphical form. For each combination of the sensitivity variables, the sensitivity analysis takes the least cost (ranked 1st) and extrapolates it for the intermediate sensitivity variables. The possibility of other system types can be observed by clicking on the sensitivity graph.

Systems excluding hydro turbines are observed to have very high COE, low renewable fraction and needs large simulation time corresponding to the large size of components required. Therefore, the simulation and optimization analysis is made to include hydropower systems.

5.2. Results for Taba A Site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel (\$0.9/l) and PV capital of \$2400/kW. From Table 5-1, the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of \$0.109/kWh to \$0.179/kWh. Both of LF and CC dispatch strategies are feasible. Presence of plenty of renewable resource is indicated by the level of the renewable fraction ranging from 77% to 100% in the renewable fractions column of Tables (5-1 & 5-2). Although capacity shortage is allowed to a maximum of 5%, the unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. This is due to the system reserve (see section 4.5.1.). There are feasible combinations without any diesel generator (a renewable fraction of 100%). There are also system types which do not require battery and converter. It can be seen from the two Tables (5-1 & 5-2) that the hydro/wind/PV/battery system is the most cost effective which is followed by hydro/PV/battery and hydro/diesel/battery system types with increasing total NPC and COE.

The current energy tariff of Ethiopia is below \$0.04/kWh. A previous study of Wind/PV hybrid system in Ethiopia (without hydropower resource) [9, 24] has suggested an optimal system with a levelized COE of \$0.3/kWh to \$0.4/kWh. Global electricity tariff varies in a wide range. For instance Canada has an energy tariff of \$0.0618/kWh while Denmark has \$0.43/kWh [39]. All feasible system types shown in both tables here have a levelized COE slightly higher than the national tariff. However, they are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what a previously studied result showed.

The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-2) have little variation in the COE (\$0.101/kWh to \$0.12/kWh). The system ranked first has a good renewable fraction (100%) and lowest COE (\$0.109/kWh) but, with 4% unmet load. System setups ranked 29th and 49th have renewable fraction of 95% and unmet load of 1% for an additional COE of \$0.003/kWh and \$0.004/kW respectively over the top ranked system. These systems are better than the top ranked in meeting the system load. 49th ranked

system configuration consumes less diesel and is more diversified than the 29th ranked system configuration. The system report for this particular setup is summarised in Table 5-3. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-4.

Table 5-1 Taba A optimization results in a categorized form

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 turbine	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	15	2	29.7	0	40	25	CC	209,921	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
2	20	0	29.7	0	40	25	CC	212,348	0.11	1	0.04	0	0
3	0	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	220,357	0.111	0.93	0.01	5,129	839
4	0	1	29.7	22	40	25	LF	222,135	0.112	0.94	0.01	4,752	776
5	5	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	222,638	0.112	0.95	0.01	4,051	663
6	5	1	29.7	22	40	25	LF	225,660	0.113	0.95	0.01	3,786	621
7	0	0	29.7	22	0	0	LF	351,939	0.177	0.77	0.01	21,691	3,700
8	0	1	29.7	22	0	0	LF	352,758	0.178	0.77	0.01	21,223	3,628
9	10	0	29.7	22	0	10	LF	353,542	0.178	0.81	0.01	18,682	3,185
10	5	1	29.7	22	0	10	LF	356,169	0.179	0.79	0.01	19,560	3,343

Table 5-2 Extracts from overall optimization table for Taba A

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	15	2	29.7	0	40	25	CC	209,921	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
2	15	2	29.7	0	40	25	LF	209,921	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
20	10	2	29.7	0	60	25	LF	220,351	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
21	0	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	220,357	0.111	0.93	0.01	5,129	839
29	5	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	222,638	0.112	0.95	0.01	4,051	663
30	25	0	29.7	0	40	20	CC	222,654	0.115	1	0.03	0	0
48	15	3	29.7	0	40	35	LF	225,452	0.117	1	0.04	0	0
49	5	1	29.7	22	40	25	LF	225,660	0.113	0.95	0.01	3,786	621
50	0	0	29.7	26	40	25	LF	225,730	0.113	0.93	0	5,580	790
121	10	3	29.7	0	60	30	LF	231,556	0.12	1	0.04	0	0

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-1 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At higher price of PV modules, hydro/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/PV/battery systems are favoured with lower and slightly higher price of diesel respectively. As PV module price decrease just below \$1950/kW, hydro/PV/battery system is more economical and the system becomes less sensitive to variation of diesel price.

Table 5-3 System report for 95% renewable fraction for Taba A

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	5 kW	Design flow rate	80 l/s	PV array	9,091	4%	AC primary load	163,037	98%	CO ₂	9,969
Wind turbine	1 HY5 kW	Stream flow rate	1540 l/s	Wind turbine	3,363	1.5%	Deferrable load	2,895	2%	CO	24.6
Hydro	29.7 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	199,461	89.5%	Total	165,292	100%	Unburned CH ₄	2.73
Gen	22 kW	wind data	3.1 m/s	Gen	10,771	5%	Cost summary Total NPC \$225,660 Levelized COE \$ 0.113/kWh Operating cost \$ 7,199/yr			Particulate matter	1.86
Battery	40 Surr6CS25P	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Excess electricity	40,991	18.4%				SO ₂	20
Inverter	25 kW	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Unmet load	847	0.5%				NO _x	220
Rectifier	25 kW			Capacity shortage	1,569	0.9%					
Disp. strategy	LF			Renewable ratio	0.95	95%					

Table 5-4 Monthly Average electric production from Taba A (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PV	1.0757	1.1289	1.1195	1.0793	1.0321	0.9597	0.879	0.8399	1.0819	1.1207	1.0911	1.0571
Wind	0.50519	0.50543	0.42262	0.34824	0.348	0.54826	0.50547	0.31273	0.19026	0.19132	0.3126	0.42359
Diesel generator	3.1052	7.8939	2.2277	0.2994	0.2277	0.2567	0.1656	0.2898	0.2781	0.1656	0.0856	0.276
Hydro	16.424	9.16	19.267	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266	25.266

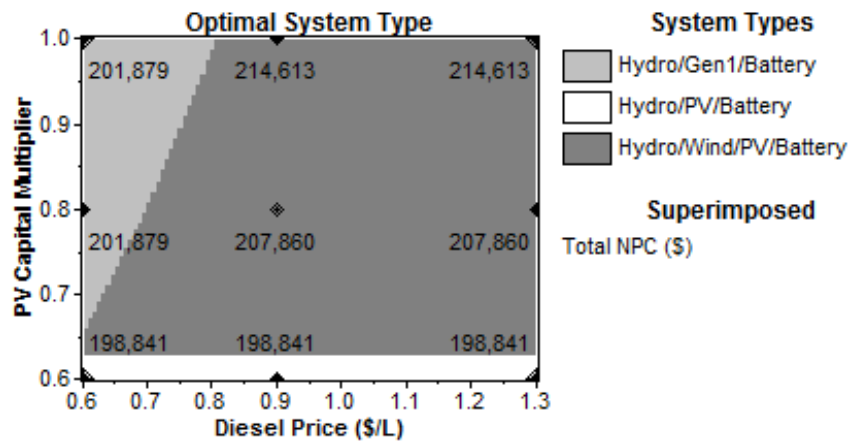


Figure 5-1 Sensitivity result for diesel and PV module price variation at Taba A

5.3. Results for Taba B Site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel (\$0.9/l) and PV capital of \$2400/kW. From Table (5-5 & 5-6), the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of \$0.099/kWh to \$0.129/kWh, which are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what previously studied result showed. Both of LF and CC dispatch strategies are feasible. The renewable fraction ranges from 79% to 100%. The unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. There are resources with 100% renewables. It can be seen from the two tables, that the hydro/diesel/battery system is the most cost effective which is followed by hydro/wind/diesel/battery and hydro/PV/wind/battery system types with increasing total NPC and COE (see Tables 5-5 & 5-6).

The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-6) have little variation in the COE (\$0.099/kWh to \$0.111/kWh). The system ranked first has a renewable fraction of 94% and lowest COE (\$0.109/kWh) but, with 2% unmet load. A system setup ranked 4th has a better renewable fraction of 95% and unmet load of 1% for an additional COE of \$0.001/kWh over the top ranked system. There are also systems with 0% unmet load, but with higher COE, such as 27th and 101st. The system report for 4th ranked setup is summarised in Table 5-7. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-8.

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-2 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At higher price of PV modules, hydro/diesel/battery system is cost effective. In decreasing the PV module price and increasing the diesel

price, hydro/wind/PV/battery systems get favoured. As PV module price decrease more, hydro/PV/battery system becomes more economical at higher diesel price. At lower diesel price ($< \$0.8/l$), hydro/diesel/battery systems are cost effective and are less sensitive for PV module price variation.

Table 5-5 Categorized optimization result for Taba B

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	244,683	0.099	0.94	0.02	3,753	814
2	0	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	247,569	0.1	0.95	0.01	3,456	752
3	15	2	36.5	0	60	30	CC	250,191	0.104	1	0.04	0	0
4	5	0	36.5	22	40	30	LF	250,726	0.101	0.93	0.01	4,834	1,089
5	20	0	36.5	0	60	30	CC	251,981	0.105	1	0.04	0	0
6	5	1	36.5	22	40	30	LF	253,488	0.102	0.94	0.01	4,530	1,024
7	0	0	36.5	22	0	0	LF	304,016	0.124	0.79	0.02	16,922	3,770
8	0	1	36.5	22	0	0	LF	306,613	0.125	0.79	0.02	16,598	3,720
9	5	0	36.5	22	0	10	LF	315,025	0.128	0.8	0.02	15,794	3,525
10	5	1	36.5	22	0	10	LF	318,267	0.129	0.81	0.02	15,521	3,485

Table 5-6 Extracts from overall optimization table for Taba B

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L)	Gen (hrs)
1	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	244,683	0.099	0.94	0.02	3,753	814
1	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	244,683	0.099	0.94	0.02	3,753	814
2	0	0	36.5	22	40	30	LF	245,630	0.1	0.92	0.02	5,673	1,265
3	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	CC	247,169	0.1	0.94	0.01	3,968	820
4	0	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	247,569	0.1	0.95	0.01	3,456	752
7	15	2	36.5	0	60	30	CC	250,191	0.104	1	0.04	0	0
24	0	3	36.5	22	60	30	LF	255,018	0.103	0.96	0.01	2,996	655
25	5	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	255,324	0.103	0.96	0.01	2,875	635
26	0	0	36.5	22	60	40	CC	255,779	0.104	0.94	0.02	3,834	774
27	0	0	36.5	33	60	30	LF	255,823	0.102	0.93	0	4,731	731
92	0	0	36.5	22	20	20	CC	264,041	0.107	0.86	0.02	10,109	2,246
101	5	0	36.5	33	60	30	CC	264,995	0.106	0.94	0	4,276	614
102	20	2	36.5	0	60	30	CC	265,189	0.109	1	0.03	0	0
108	5	1	36.5	33	60	30	LF	265,918	0.106	0.95	0	3,791	586
115	0	0	36.5	22	60	50	CC	266,162	0.108	0.94	0.02	3,834	774

Table 5-7 System report for 95% renewable fraction for Taba B

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	0	Design flow rate	80 l/s	PV array	0	0	AC primary load	202,964	98%	CO ₂	9,100
Wind turbine	1 HY5 kW	Stream flow rate	1540 l/s	Wind turbine	3,978	2%	Deferrable load	3,632	2%	CO	22.5
Hydro	36.5 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	244,864	93%	Total	206,596	100%	Unburned hydrocarbon	2.49
Gen	22 kW	wind data	3.1 m/s	Gen	13,586	5%	Cost summary			Particulate matter	1.69
Battery	60 Surr6CS25P	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Excess electricity	36,655	14%	Total NPC	\$247,569		SO ₂	18.3
Inverter	30 kW	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Unmet load	2895	1.4%	Levelized COE	\$ 0.1/kWh		NO _x	200
Rectifier	30 kW			Capacity shortage	4,395	2.1%	Operating cost	\$ 7,950/yr			
Disp. strategy	LF			Renewable ratio	0.95	95%					

Table 5-8 Monthly Average electric production at Taba B (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wind	0.59186	0.59306	0.49882	0.41439	0.41426	0.64073	0.59302	0.37377	0.23126	0.23237	0.37358	0.50043
Diesel generator	4.1582	9.2618	3.1379	0.4064	0.2823	0.2567	0.207	0.3978	0.3422	0.2577	0.1711	0.3164
Hydro	20.164	11.246	23.654	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019	31.019

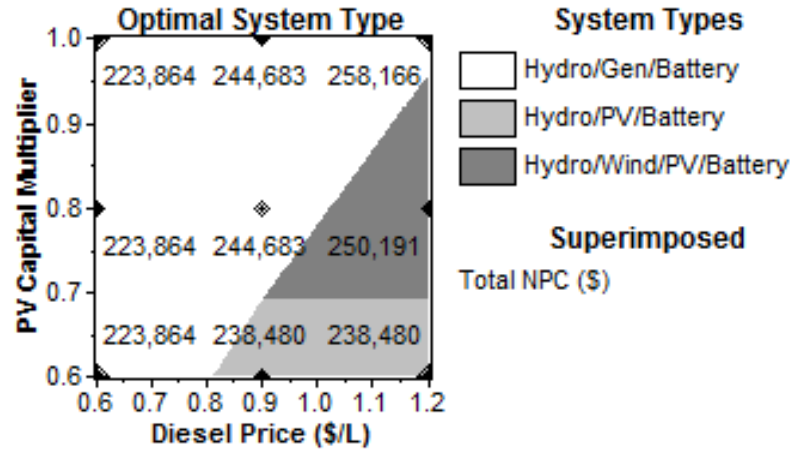


Figure 5-2 Sensitivity result for diesel and PV module price variation at Taba B

5.4. Results for Bechet Site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel (\$0.9/l) and PV capital of \$2400/kW. From Table (5-9 & 5-10), the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of \$0.068/kWh to \$0.072/kWh, which are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what a previously studied result showed. Both of LF and CC dispatch strategies are feasible. The renewable fraction ranges from 94% to 98%. The unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. There are no systems with 100% renewables. It can be seen from the two tables, that the hydro/diesel/battery system is the most cost effective which is followed by hydro/wind/diesel/battery, hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/PV/wind/diesel/battery system types with increasing total NPC and COE (see Tables 5-9 & 5-10). Only these four system types are feasible.

The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-10) have little variation in the COE (\$0.068/kWh to \$0.072/kWh). The system ranked first has a renewable fraction of 97% and lowest COE (\$0.068/kWh) but, with 4% unmet load. A system setup ranked 5th has a better renewable fraction of 97% and unmet load of 3% with same COE as the top ranked system. The system report for 5th ranked setup is summarised in Table 5-11. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-12.

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-3 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At lower price of diesel (<\$1.01/l), hydro/diesel/battery system is cost effective and insensitive to PV module price. When the diesel price is slightly increased, the system becomes sensitive to PV module price.

In this case, hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery systems become more favoured at lower and higher price of PV modules respectively.

Table 5-9 Categorized optimization result for Bechet

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	109	26	80	50	LF	394,245	0.068	0.97	0.04	4,976	866
2	0	1	109	22	80	50	CC	395,523	0.068	0.98	0.04	4,514	881
3	5	0	109	22	80	50	LF	398,951	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,099	837
4	5	1	109	22	80	50	LF	403,900	0.069	0.98	0.04	3,995	815

Table 5-10 Extracts from overall optimization results table for Bechet

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	109	26	80	50	LF	394,245	0.068	0.97	0.04	4,976	866
2	0	1	109	22	80	50	CC	395,523	0.068	0.98	0.04	4,514	881
3	0	2	109	22	80	50	LF	397,149	0.068	0.98	0.04	4,127	840
4	5	0	109	22	80	50	LF	398,951	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,099	837
5	0	1	109	26	80	50	LF	399,133	0.068	0.97	0.03	4,856	844
15	0	1	109	26	80	50	CC	403,767	0.069	0.97	0.03	5,230	877
16	5	1	109	22	80	50	LF	403,900	0.069	0.98	0.04	3,995	815
49	5	0	109	26	60	40	CC	410,403	0.07	0.96	0.04	7,743	1,361
50	0	1	109	26	80	60	CC	410,602	0.07	0.97	0.03	4,975	821
81	0	0	109	35	60	40	LF	414,256	0.071	0.95	0.03	9,574	1,321
121	5	3	109	26	60	50	LF	417,569	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,782	1,031
122	0	2	109	22	100	50	LF	417,927	0.072	0.98	0.03	3,731	769
150	10	1	109	26	60	40	LF	420,163	0.072	0.97	0.03	6,807	1,256

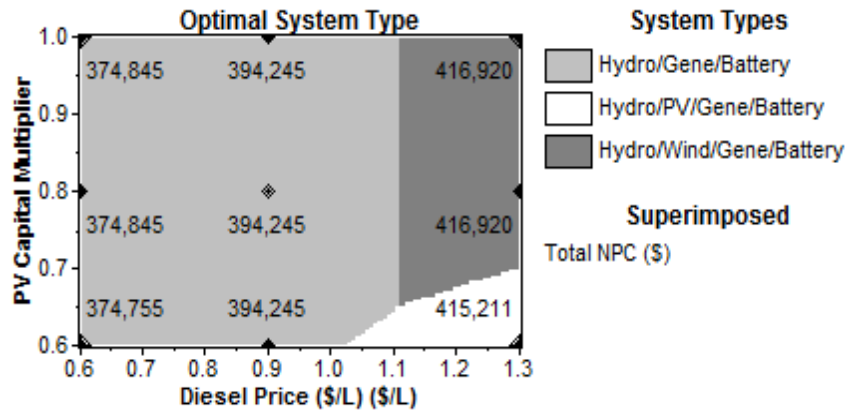


Figure 5-3 Sensitivity result for diesel and PV module price variation at Bechet

Table 5-11: System report for 97.4% renewable fraction for Bechet

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	0	Design flow rate	200 l/s	PV array	0	0	AC primary load	478,574	98%	CO ₂	12,787
Wind turbine	1 HY5 kW	Stream flow rate	3172 l/s	Wind turbine	3,978	0.5%	Deferrable load	8,750	2%	CO	31.6
Hydro	109 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	720,110	96.9%	Total	487,324	100%	Unburned hydrocarbons	3.5
Gen	26 kW	wind data	3.1 m/s	Gen	19,204	2.6%	Cost summary			Particulate matter	2.38
Battery	80 Surr6CS25P	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Excess electricity	228,135	30.7%	Total NPC	\$399,133		SO ₂	25.7
Inverter	50 kW	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Unmet load	17,095	3.4%	Levelized COE	\$ 0.068/kWh		NO _x	282
Rectifier	50 kW			Capacity shortage	22,874	4.5%	Operating cost	\$ 8,837/yr			
Disp. strategy	LF			Renewable ratio	0.974	97.4%					

Table 5-12 Monthly Average electric production for Bechet (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wind	0.59186	0.59306	0.49882	0.41439	0.41426	0.64073	0.59302	0.37377	0.23126	0.23237	0.37358	0.50043
Diesel generator	6.404	10.786	5.863	0.536	0.388	0.43	0.342	0.657	0.46	0.319	0.278	0.447
Hydro	53.688	32.861	63.407	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558	92.558

5.5. Results for Suha site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel (\$0.9/l) and PV capital of \$2400/kW. From Table (5-13 & 5-14), the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of \$0.106/kWh to \$0.157/kWh, which are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what a previously studied result showed. Both of LF and CC dispatch strategies are feasible. The renewable fraction ranges from 77% to 95%. The unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. The hydro/wind/diesel/battery system type is most economical which is followed by hydro/PV/wind/diesel/battery and hydro/PV/diesel/battery systems with increasing total NPC (see Tables 5-13 & 5-14). The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-14) have little variation in the COE (\$0.106/kWh to \$0.109/kWh).

Table 5-13 Categorized optimization result for Suha

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 turbine	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	6	81	35	100	60	LF	558,597	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,684	1,038
2	5	4	81	35	100	60	LF	559,534	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,538	1,025
3	15	0	81	35	100	60	LF	562,189	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,336	1,008
4	0	0	81	44	100	60	LF	566,447	0.107	0.92	0.03	14,928	1,173
5	0	0	81.2	53	0	0	LF	830,311	0.156	0.77	0.02	54,923	3,804
6	0	1	81.2	53	0	0	LF	831,738	0.156	0.78	0.02	54,458	3,778
7	10	0	81.2	53	0	10	LF	833,835	0.156	0.79	0.02	51,746	3,586
8	10	1	81.2	53	0	10	LF	836,613	0.157	0.79	0.02	51,401	3,568

Table 5-14 Extracts from overall optimization results table for Suha

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	6	81.2	35	100	60	LF	558,597	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,684	1,038
2	5	4	81.2	35	100	60	LF	559,534	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,538	1,025
9	5	2	81.2	35	120	60	LF	562,334	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,772	941
10	5	5	81.2	35	100	60	LF	562,584	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,231	996
11	0	7	81.2	35	100	60	LF	562,682	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,476	1,019
42	15	3	81.2	33	100	60	LF	567,106	0.108	0.96	0.04	9,039	935
43	10	1	81.2	35	120	60	LF	567,141	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,452	916
101	5	0	81.2	44	100	60	LF	571,293	0.108	0.93	0.03	13,987	1,100
116	0	0	81.2	44	100	60	CC	572,301	0.108	0.92	0.03	15,389	1,160

Table 5-15 System report for 95% renewable fraction for Suha

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	5 kW	Design flow rate	120 l/s	PV array	9,091	1.5%	AC primary load	432,124	98%	CO ₂	26,942
Wind turbine	5 HY-5 kW	Stream flow rate	2928 l/s	Wind turbine	19,889	3.4%	Deferrable load	7,876	2%	CO	66.5
Hydro	81.2 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	528,782	90%	Total	440,000	100%	Unburned hydrocarbon	7.37
Gen	35 kW	wind data	3.1 m/s	Gen	29,770	5.1%	Cost summary Total NPC \$562,584 Levelized COE \$ 0.107/kWh Operating cost \$ 19,493/yr			Particulate matter	5.01
Battery	100 Surr6CS25P	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Excess electricity	112,711	19.2%				SO ₂	54.1
Inverter	60 kW	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Unmet load	15,732	3%				NO _x	593
Rectifier	60 kW			Capacity shortage	21,676	4.8%					
Disp. strategy	LF			Renewable ratio	0.95	95%					

Table 5-16 Monthly Average electric production from Suha (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PV	1.0757	1.1289	1.1195	1.0793	1.0321	0.9597	0.879	0.8399	1.0819	1.1207	1.0911	1.0571
Wind	2.9593	2.9653	2.4941	2.072	2.0713	3.2037	2.9651	1.8688	1.1563	1.1619	1.8679	2.5021
Diesel generator	6.499	14.305	12.687	0.997	0.84	0.774	0.742	1.036	1.137	0.799	0.699	1.002
Hydro	46.609	24.743	29.347	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043	69.043

The system ranked first has a renewable fraction of 95% and a COE of \$0.106/kWh but, with 4% unmet load. A system setup ranked 10th has a better renewable fraction of 95% and unmet load of 3% for an additional COE of \$0.001/kWh over the top ranked system. The system report for this 10th ranked setup is summarised in Table 5-15. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-16.

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-4 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At lower price of diesel (< \$0.65/l), hydro/diesel/battery system is cost effective and insensitive to PV module price. When the diesel price is slightly increased, the system becomes sensitive to PV module price. In this case, hydro/PV/diesel/battery, hydro/wind/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery systems become more favoured as PV modules cost multipliers increases from 0.6 to 1 as shown in the figure.

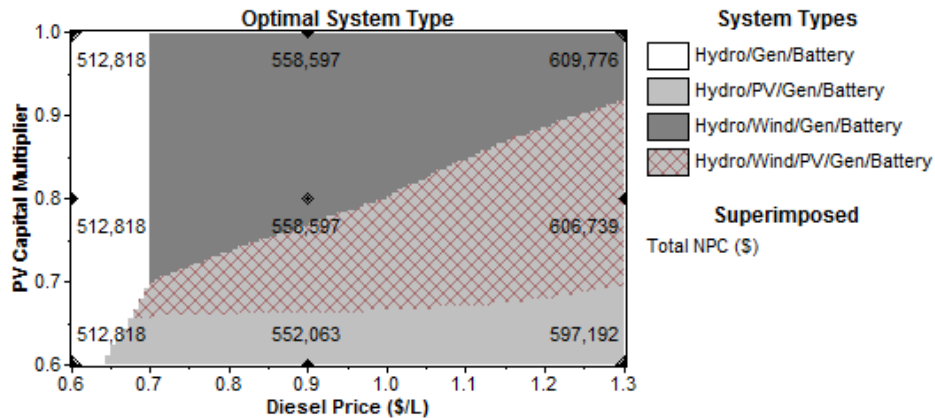


Figure 5-4 Sensitivity results for diesel and PV module price variation at Suha

5.6. Results for Muga I site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel (\$0.9/l) and PV capital of \$2400/kW. From Table (5-17 & 5-18), the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of \$0.11/kWh to \$0.143/kWh, which are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what a previously studied result showed. LF dispatch strategy is more dominant over CC dispatch strategies. The renewable fraction ranges from 69% to 93%. The unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. The hydro/PV/wind/diesel/battery system type is most economical which is followed by hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery systems with increasing total NPC (see Table 17 & 18).

The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-18) have little variation in the COE (\$0.11/kWh to \$0.111/kWh). The system ranked first has COE of \$0.11/kWh and 3% unmet load but, a renewable fraction of 88%. A system setup ranked 13th has a better renewable fraction of 93% and unmet load of 3% for additional COE of \$0.001/kWh over the top ranked system. The system report for this 13th ranked setup is summarised in Table 5-19. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-20.

Table 5-17 Categorized optimization result for Muga I

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	\$6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	20	2	193	132	320	190	LF	1,681,425	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,459	1,668
2	30	0	193	132	320	190	LF	1,683,941	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,136	1,624
3	0	10	193	132	320	180	LF	1,687,587	0.11	0.87	0.03	48,539	1,768
4	0	0	193	154	320	180	LF	1,731,378	0.112	0.85	0.02	58,071	1,850
5	0	0	193	173	0	0	LF	2,128,687	0.138	0.69	0.02	143,446	4,085
6	0	2	193	173	0	0	LF	2,138,062	0.138	0.69	0.02	143,111	4,084
7	10	0	193	173	0	50	LF	2,203,157	0.142	0.7	0.02	142,799	4,078
8	10	2	193	173	0	50	LF	2,212,636	0.143	0.7	0.02	142,473	4,077

Table 5-18 Extracts from overall optimization results table for Muga I

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	\$6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L)	Gen (hrs)
1	20	2	193	132	320	190	LF	1,681,425	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,459	1,668
2	20	2	193	132	320	180	LF	1,682,372	0.11	0.88	0.03	47,482	1,728
3	30	0	193	132	320	190	LF	1,683,941	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,136	1,624
4	20	2	193	132	360	200	LF	1,684,171	0.11	0.89	0.03	41,478	1,463
12	10	6	193	132	360	190	LF	1,686,862	0.11	0.89	0.03	42,902	1,531
13	40	16	193	114	360	200	LF	1,687,001	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,731	1,165
14	10	8	193	132	320	180	LF	1,687,056	0.11	0.88	0.03	47,057	1,716
15	20	2	193	132	320	200	LF	1,687,351	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,970	1,640
16	0	10	193	132	320	180	LF	1,687,587	0.11	0.87	0.03	48,539	1,768
62	10	8	193	132	280	170	LF	1,693,791	0.111	0.86	0.03	52,791	1,959
63	20	4	193	132	280	190	LF	1,693,890	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,182	1,819
64	10	10	193	132	280	180	LF	1,693,923	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,393	1,843
125	20	4	193	132	320	210	LF	1,697,598	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,742	1,590

Table 5-19 System report for 93% renewable fraction for Muga I

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	40 kW	Design flow rate	547 l/s	PV array	81,823	5.3%	AC primary load	1,251,390	98%	CO ₂	75,658
Wind turbine	16 HY5 kW	Stream flow rate	7870 l/s	Wind turbine	63,646	4.2%	Deferrable load	22,817	2%	CO	187
Hydro	193 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	1,269,464	83.1%	Total	1,274,207	100%	Unburned hydrocarbon	20.7
Gen	114 kW			Gen	113,367	7.4%	Cost summary			Particulate matter	14.1
Battery	360 Surr6CS25P	wind data	3.1 m/s	Excess electricity	130,957	8.57%				SO ₂	152
Inverter	200 kW	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Unmet load	44,361	3.36%				NO _x	1,666
Rectifier	200 kW			Capacity shortage	64,824	4.92%					
Disp. strategy	LF	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Renewable ratio	0.93	93%					
							Total NPC				
							\$1,687,001				
							Levelized COE				
							\$ 0.111/kWh				
							Operating cost				
							\$ 56,726/yr				

Table 5-20 Monthly average electric production from Muga I (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PV	9.681	10.161	10.076	9.714	9.289	8.637	7.911	7.559	9.737	10.086	9.82	9.514
Wind	9.47	9.489	7.981	6.63	6.628	10.252	9.488	5.98	3.7	3.718	5.977	8.007
Diesel generator	30.486	48.454	27.681	6.324	5.364	4.729	4.931	6.127	7.582	5.174	5.161	5.82
Hydro	90.98	57.65	106.59	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2	164.2

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-5 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At lower diesel price ($< \$0.625/\text{l}$), hydro/diesel/battery system is cost effective and insensitive to PV module price. When the diesel price is slightly increased ($\$0.625/\text{l}$ to $\$0.8/\text{l}$), hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery are more cost effective at lower and higher PV module prices, respectively. When the diesel price is increased more ($> \$0.8/\text{l}$), hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/PV/diesel/battery systems become more favoured with lower and higher PV modules cost multipliers, respectively.

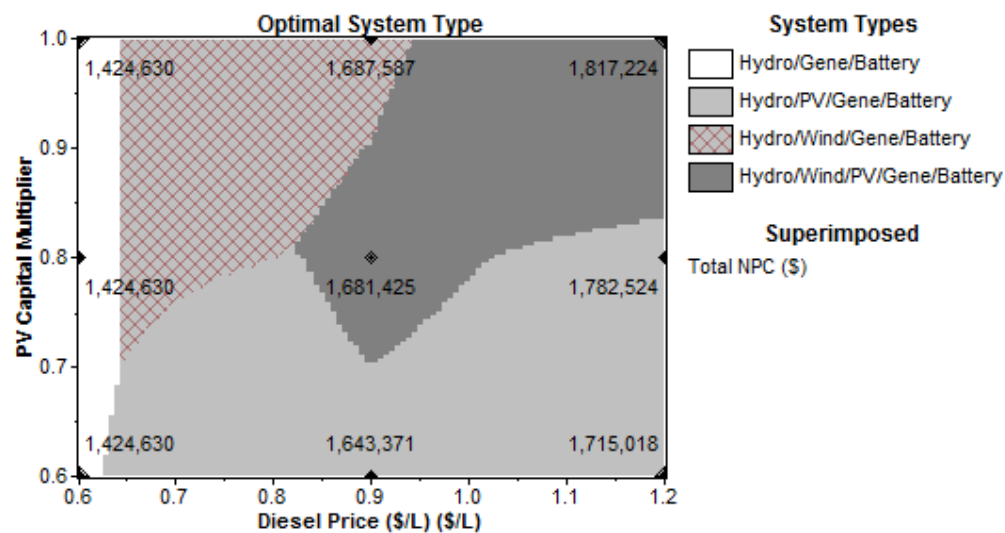


Figure 5-5 Sensitivity result for diesel and PV module price variation at Muga I

5.7. Results for Muga II site

The results obtained are based on the current price of diesel ($\$0.9/\text{l}$) and PV capital of $\$2400/\text{kW}$. From Table (5-21 & 5-22), the levelized COE is observed to be in the range of $\$0.088/\text{kWh}$ to $\$0.118/\text{kWh}$, which are within the range of global tariff and much lower than what a previously studied result showed. LF dispatch strategy is more dominant over CC dispatch strategies. The renewable fraction ranges from 83% to 92%. The unmet load is limited to a maximum of 4%. The hydro/diesel/battery system type is most economical which is followed by hydro/wind/diesel/battery system and hydro/PV/diesel/battery system types with increasing total NPC (Tables 5-21 & 5-22).

The listed outputs of the overall optimization table (see Table 5-22) have little variation in the COE ($\$0.088/\text{kWh}$ to $\$0.889/\text{kWh}$). The system ranked first has COE of

\$0.11/kWh and 4% unmet load but, a renewable fraction of 88%. System configurations ranked 37th, 45th, 48th and 50th have a better renewable fraction of 92% and same unmet load of 4% for additional COE of \$0.001/kWh over the top ranked system. The 50th ranked system is more preferable for its less consumption of diesel (see Table 5-22). The system report for this 50th ranked setup is summarised in Table 5-23. Also, the monthly electricity production of each component is given in Table 5-24.

Sensitivity analysis is also carried out and Figure 5-6 shows the variation of PV capital cost multiplier against diesel price. At lower diesel price (< \$0.78/l), hydro/diesel/battery system is cost effective and insensitive to PV module price. When the diesel price is slightly increased (> \$0.78/l), the system becomes sensitive to price of PV module. In this case, hydro/PV/diesel/battery systems are more favoured at lower PV module price, whereas, hydro/diesel/battery systems are still more economical at higher price of PV module.

Table 5-21 Categorized optimization result for Muga II

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 turbine	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,529,068	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,634	1,474
2	0	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,627	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,195	1,468
3	5	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,666	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,470	1,458
4	5	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,536,484	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,401	1,458
5	35	3	831	396	0	50	LF	4,715,947	0.118	0.83	0.04	266,318	3,419

Table 5-22 Extracts from overall optimization results table for Muga II

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,529,068	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,634	1,474
2	0	0	831	382	320	270	LF	3,529,095	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,433	1,486
3	0	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,627	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,195	1,468
4	5	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,666	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,470	1,458
37	0	0	831	382	360	300	LF	3,542,416	0.089	0.91	0.04	115,737	1,404
45	5	0	831	382	360	290	LF	3,544,730	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,434	1,399
44	0	1	831	382	320	250	LF	3,544,368	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,780	1,522
48	5	0	831	382	360	300	LF	3,545,192	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,677	1,388
50	5	0	831	382	360	310	LF	3,545,245	0.089	0.92	0.04	113,883	1,377
89	0	2	831	382	360	300	LF	3,551,280	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,360	1,399
90	0	2	831	382	360	310	LF	3,551,376	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,570	1,388

Table 5-23 System report for 92% renewable fraction for Muga II

System architecture		Sensitivity case		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	5 kW	Design flow rate	1000 l/s	PV array	9,091	0.2%	AC primary load	3,238,472	97%	CO ₂	299,892
Wind turbine	0	Stream flow rate	9221 l/s	Wind turbine	0	0	Deferrable load	103,261	3%	CO	740
Hydro	831 kW	PV replacement cost multiplier	0.8	Hydro turbine	4,900,787	92.4%	Total	3,341,733	100%	Unburned hydro-carbon	82
Gen	382 kW			Gen	449,410	7.4%	Cost summary Total NPC \$3,545,245 Levelized COE \$ 0.089/kWh Operating cost \$ 157,332/yr			Particulate matter	55.8
Battery	360 Surr6CS25P	wind data	3.1 m/s	Excess electricity	130,957	8.57%				SO ₂	602
Inverter	310 kW	PV capital cost multiplier	0.8	Unmet load	44,361	3.36%				NO _x	6,605
Rectifier	310 kW			Capacity shortage	64,824	4.92%					
Disp. strategy	LF	Solar data	6.12 kWh/m ² /d	Renewable ratio	0.916	92%					

Table 5-24 Monthly Average electric production from Muga II (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PV	1.2101	1.2701	1.2594	1.2142	1.1611	1.0796	0.9889	0.9448	1.2171	1.2608	1.2275	1.1892
Diesel generator	138.64	288.63	126.71	2.6	60.38	3.34	1.44	4.67	1.49	1.08	1.11	2.16
Hydro	251.57	0	295.38	706.69	477.7	706.69	706.69	706.69	706.69	706.69	706.69	706.69

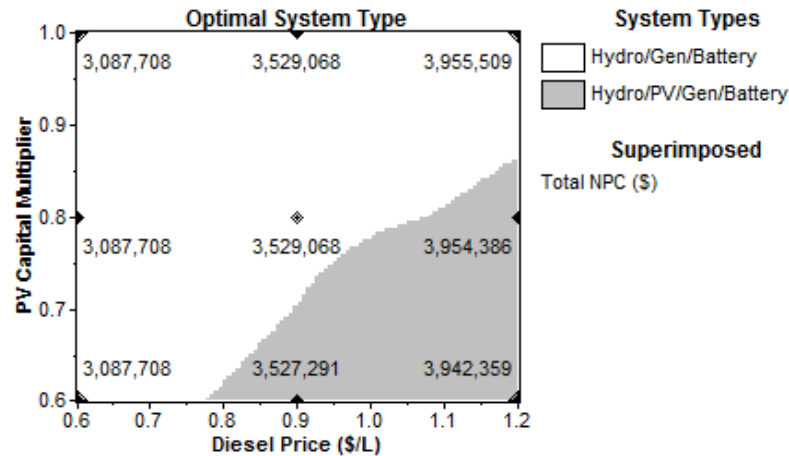


Figure 5-6 Sensitivity result for diesel and PV module price variation at Muga II

5.8. Overall System Results

Although the modular approach is considered due to the limitation of HOMER software, the results of each site can be combined for the total system. As all optimization results of each site have COE close to the lower boundary of international energy tariff and much lower than previously studied solar/PV/diesel systems, the overall system can be any combination of these feasible system configurations. Here, the combination of the system configurations whose system report is discussed in the previous section is presented.

Component size and electricity production total NPC and annualized costs are the sum of the individual systems. Excess electricity, capacity shortage, unmet load and emission of the overall system is calculated by adding corresponding values of each system. The renewable fraction of the system is calculated by adding non-diesel generation and taking the ratio to the total electricity production. The load supplied can be taken directly from load estimation (section 4.4.) with additional 5% hourly and daily noise or by adding the load supplied at each system report. COE of the system is calculated as the ratio of its annualized capital cost to its total annualized electricity consumption. Table 5-25 summarizes the results of these calculations. The excess electricity, unmet load and capacity shortage are calculated by assuming shortage and excess of electricity occur on the individual sites at the same time. But, there are possibilities of excess electricity in one site while there is shortage on another site. So the values indicated in the table are the possible maximum.

Table 5-25 Sample overall system report

System architecture		Annual electric production (kWh/yr)			Annual electric consumption (kWh/yr)			Emission (kg/yr)	
PV	55 kW	PV array	110,233	1.30%	AC primary load	5766461	97.5%	CO ₂	434348
Wind turbine	24 HY turbine	Wind turbine	95469	1.10%	Deferrable load	149231	2.5%	CO	1072.2
Hydro	1280.4 kW	Hydro turbine	7,215,368	90.30%	Total	5915152	100%	Unburned hydro-carbon	118.79
Gen	601 kW	Gen	636,108	7.30%	Cost summary Total NPC \$6577192 Levelized COE \$0.094/kWh Operating cost \$257537/kWh			Particulate matter	80.84
Battery	1000 Surr6CS25P	Excess electricity	680406	7.80%				SO ₂	872.1
Inverter	675 kW	Unmet load	125,291	1.4%				NO _x	9566
Rectifier	310 kW	Capacity shortage	180,162	2.1%					
Disp. strategy	LF	Renewable ratio	92.7	93%					

Table 5-26 Monthly Average electric production from overall system (kW)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
PV	13.0425	13.6889	13.5744	13.0868	12.5143	11.636	10.6579	10.1836	13.1179	13.5882	13.2297	12.8174
Wind	14.1182	14.1459	11.8954	9.87902	9.87582	15.2854	14.1446	8.90907	5.50908	5.53596	8.90466	11.9336
Diesel	189.292	379.331	178.307	11.1628	67.482	9.7864	7.8276	13.1776	11.2893	7.7953	7.5047	10.0214
Hydro	479.435	135.66	537.645	1088.78	859.786	1088.78	1088.78	1088.78	1088.78	1088.78	1088.78	1088.78
Total	695.888	542.825	741.421	1122.9	949.658	1125.48	1121.41	1121.05	1118.69	1115.7	1118.42	1123.55

The daily average system load (primary + deferrable load with 5 % daily and hourly noise) on the system is 16361 kWh/day + 289 kWh/day which equals to 16.65 MWh/day. This gives an annual electricity demand of 6.1 GWh/yr and equals to annual average of 694 kW. The consumption indicated in the table is about 5.92 GWh/yr which indicates as there is unmet load (1.4%). On the other hand, the total production from hydro, wind, PV and diesel gives 8.06 GWh/yr which is an indication of excess electricity (7.8%). This indicates that there is still a mismatch between maximum demand and the maximum production which is not handled through storage system from economic point of view. The monthly averaged electric production ranges from 542 kW to 1125.5 kW as shown in Table 5-26 and Figure 5-7. It shows that there is maximum production from diesel on February where there is scarce stream flow. It can be seen from Figure 5-7 that there is some sort of complementarity between the hydro, wind and solar resources throughout the year.

Sensitivity analysis of the overall system can be predicted from the results of individual site. It can be seen that hydro/diesel/battery are more economical at lower diesel price and are not sensitive to PV module prices. When diesel price increases slightly, hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery systems become more favoured at lower and higher PV module price, respectively. When diesel price is increased more, hydro/PV/wind/diesel/battery systems become more economical.

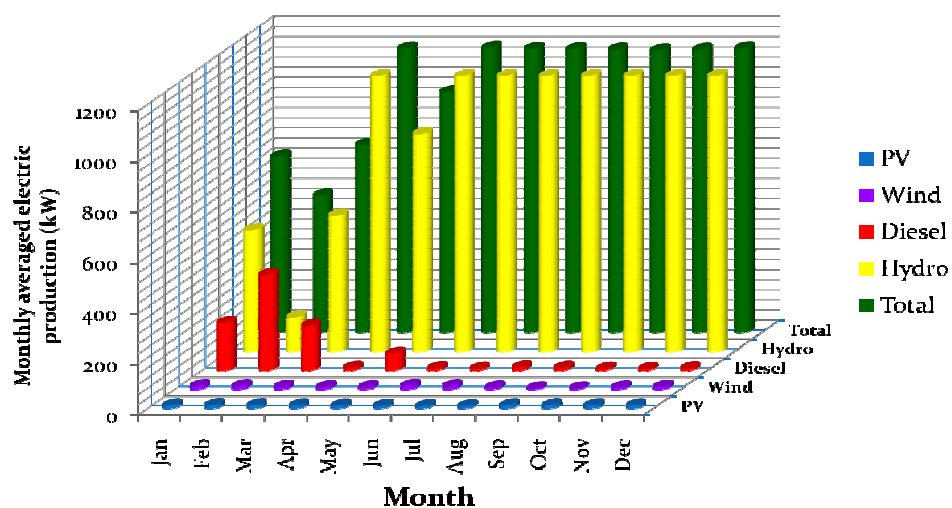


Figure 5-7 Averaged monthly electricity production of sample overall system

CHAPTER 6

6. Conclusions, Recommendations and Suggestions for Future Work

6.1. Conclusions

In this thesis, feasibility study of small hydro/PV/wind hybrid system for electrification of 10,500 families in Dejen district is carried out. Six hydropower sites, wind resource and solar potentials in the district are analysed. HOMER is used for optimization and sensitivity analysis of the proposed hybrid system.

GIS based empirical estimation is used for flow rate determination of the six sites. Accordingly, the annual average flow rate is found to be 1540 l/s at Taba A and Taba B sites, 3172 l/s at Bechet site, 2928 l/s at Suha site, 7870 l/s at Muga I site and 9221 l/s at Muga II site. Head measurement of each site is done directly from field survey and 50.5 m, 62 m, 74 m, 92.5 m, 47 m and 113 m heads are found at Taba A, Taba B, Bechet, Suha, Muga I and Muga II sites, respectively. Their design flow rate is optimized from hybrid system point of view and is found to be 80 l/s, 80 l/s, 200 l/s, 120 l/s, 547 l/s, 1000 l/s respectively. Based on the flow rate determined, their hydropower potential are found to be 29.7 kW (Taba A), 36.5 kW (Taba B), 109 kW (Bechet), 81.2 kW (Suha), 193 kW (Muga I), and 831 kW (Muga II).

Monthly average wind speed data from NASA is used to synthesize hourly wind speed data using HOMER. The Weibull parameters k and c are determined ($k=1.95$ and $c=3.47$ m/s). Solar radiation is calculated from daily sunshine hour data using empirical formulas and is 6.13 kWh/m²/day. This result is very close to what is obtained in the previous study [7], and also, to NASA and SWERA predictions.

Hourly electric load of the community consisting of lighting, TV set, radio receiver, stove, health post, clinic, water pumps and flour mills is determined. The total community (about 10,500 families) is estimated to have a primary peak demand of 1424 kW, a deferrable peak demand of 52.25 kW and a storage capacity of 1248 kWh. This load is shared to each site roughly based on their potential as 2.35% (Taba A) 3.45% (Taba B). 8.3% (Bechet), 7.5% (Suha), 21.7% (Muga I) and 56.3 %, (Muga II).

For each site, different optimum and feasible system configurations with different level of renewable fraction and total NPC are obtained. The levelized COE ranges from \$0.068/kWh to \$0.156/kWh. This cost is slightly higher than the current energy tariff within the country ($< \$0.04/\text{kWh}$), but, is much less than previously studied PV/Wind based hybrid system (which does not include hydro). It can be said that the maximum COE determined here is at the lower range of global electricity tariff.

Taking the current diesel price of \$0.9/l and a PV capital and replacement cost of \$2400/kW, different system configurations/types are found as feasible options for each site. One feasible system from each site can be taken to makeup the overall system capable of supplying the whole community (63000 people). For the overall system, hydro/diesel/battery are more cost economical at lower diesel price and are not sensitive to PV module prices. When diesel price increases slightly, hydro/PV/diesel/battery and hydro/wind/diesel/battery systems become more favoured at lower and higher PV module price, respectively. When diesel price is increased more, hydro/PV/wind/diesel/battery systems become more economical.

One sample overall system shows a COE of \$0.09/kWh and a renewable fraction of 93%. In this system an excess electricity of 7.8% and unmet load of 1.4% have been found. Although the proposed system has a relatively higher COE than the national tariff, in view of the energy shortage at the national level, resistance to deforestation, clean energy development, changing the life of the poor in remote regions and expansion of power generation it is a highly recommendable solution.

The hydropower system suggested is a run-off type and doesn't require extensive civil work. The head is naturally endowed. Consequently, all the civil structures and installation of electromechanical components are to be realized within a small area, which as a result wouldn't cause any significant social and environmental impacts.

This study, even though is specific for Dejen district, proves to be of high importance in its demonstrative character to the utilization of the resource potential of the country. Ethiopia has a lot of small hydropower potential. Due to the seasonal nature of these resources, wind

and solar resources together with diesel generator and battery system as a backup can be used for better reliability of rural electrification.

6.2. Recommendations

The 2 m height installation and the calibration of wind speed measuring data logger at D/Markos should be checked as its data shows significant difference with what is previously studied (10 m height) and with that of NASA's prediction. Flow rate gauge stations are better installed at small rivers and their data should be updated. Solar radiation measuring equipments should be installed at selected towns, such as D/Markos.

In addition to what are covered in this thesis, there are potential sites suitable for storage based hydropower developments. There are also sites having much higher heads than what have been presented. Although these sites are close to what have been studied, accessing them is very difficult and may require more time and finance to study them in detail.

Currently, the national energy strategy is towards large hydropower, large wind farm and towards geothermal to some extent. Small hydropower developments and its hybrid combination with other sources such as wind and solar is not given attention. Such hybrid systems should be given attention as their capital investment is low and are convenient for rural electrification.

6.3. Suggestions for Future Work

This thesis work may be refined and expanded by considering

1. Exact measured flow rate, solar radiation, wind speed and residual flow rate data.
2. Possible demand growth rate with population and economic growth rate (load forecasting)
3. Solar thermal, biomass and storage based hydropower resources together with the possibility of grid extension
4. Detailed design of each component and steady state and dynamic performance of the overall system.

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Appendix A

Overall Optimization Results

Table A-1 Overall optimization for Taba A

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	15	2	29.7	0	40	25	CC	209,921	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
2	15	2	29.7	0	40	25	LF	209,921	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
3	20	0	29.7	0	40	25	CC	212,348	0.11	1	0.04	0	0
4	20	0	29.7	0	40	25	LF	212,348	0.11	1	0.04	0	0
5	15	2	29.7	0	40	30	CC	214,518	0.111	1	0.04	0	0
6	15	2	29.7	0	40	30	LF	214,518	0.111	1	0.04	0	0
7	15	3	29.7	0	40	25	CC	216,259	0.112	1	0.04	0	0
8	15	3	29.7	0	40	25	LF	216,259	0.112	1	0.04	0	0
9	20	0	29.7	0	40	30	CC	216,945	0.113	1	0.04	0	0
10	20	0	29.7	0	40	30	LF	216,945	0.113	1	0.04	0	0
11	15	4	29.7	0	40	20	CC	218,272	0.113	1	0.03	0	0
12	15	4	29.7	0	40	20	LF	218,272	0.113	1	0.03	0	0
13	20	1	29.7	0	40	25	CC	218,557	0.113	1	0.04	0	0
14	20	1	29.7	0	40	25	LF	218,557	0.113	1	0.04	0	0
15	15	2	29.7	0	40	35	CC	219,114	0.114	1	0.04	0	0
16	15	2	29.7	0	40	35	LF	219,114	0.114	1	0.04	0	0
17	20	2	29.7	0	40	20	CC	220,121	0.114	1	0.03	0	0
18	20	2	29.7	0	40	20	LF	220,121	0.114	1	0.03	0	0
19	10	2	29.7	0	60	25	CC	220,351	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
20	10	2	29.7	0	60	25	LF	220,351	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
21	0	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	220,357	0.111	0.93	0.01	5,129	839
22	15	3	29.7	0	40	30	CC	220,856	0.114	1	0.04	0	0
23	15	3	29.7	0	40	30	LF	220,856	0.114	1	0.04	0	0
24	20	0	29.7	0	40	35	CC	221,542	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
25	20	0	29.7	0	40	35	LF	221,542	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
26	0	1	29.7	22	40	25	LF	222,135	0.112	0.94	0.01	4,752	776
27	15	0	29.7	0	60	25	CC	222,142	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
28	15	0	29.7	0	60	25	LF	222,142	0.115	1	0.04	0	0
29	5	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	222,638	0.112	0.95	0.01	4,051	663
30	25	0	29.7	0	40	20	CC	222,654	0.115	1	0.03	0	0
31	25	0	29.7	0	40	20	LF	222,654	0.115	1	0.03	0	0
32	15	4	29.7	0	40	25	CC	222,868	0.115	1	0.03	0	0
33	15	4	29.7	0	40	25	LF	222,868	0.115	1	0.03	0	0

34	0	0	29.7	22	40	25	CC	222,953	0.112	0.93	0.01	5,320	810
35	20	1	29.7	0	40	30	CC	223,154	0.116	1	0.04	0	0
36	20	1	29.7	0	40	30	LF	223,154	0.116	1	0.04	0	0
37	5	4	29.7	0	60	30	CC	223,157	0.116	1	0.04	0	0
38	5	4	29.7	0	60	30	LF	223,157	0.116	1	0.04	0	0
39	0	2	29.7	22	40	25	LF	224,112	0.113	0.94	0.01	4,380	718
40	0	1	29.7	22	40	25	CC	224,359	0.113	0.93	0.01	4,909	747
41	0	0	29.7	22	40	30	LF	224,657	0.113	0.93	0.01	5,102	829
42	20	2	29.7	0	40	25	CC	224,745	0.116	1	0.03	0	0
43	20	2	29.7	0	40	25	LF	224,745	0.116	1	0.03	0	0
44	5	0	29.7	22	40	25	CC	224,929	0.113	0.94	0.01	4,231	651
45	10	2	29.7	0	60	30	CC	224,947	0.117	1	0.04	0	0
46	10	2	29.7	0	60	30	LF	224,947	0.117	1	0.04	0	0
47	15	3	29.7	0	40	35	CC	225,452	0.117	1	0.04	0	0
48	15	3	29.7	0	40	35	LF	225,452	0.117	1	0.04	0	0
49	5	1	29.7	22	40	25	LF	225,660	0.113	0.95	0.01	3,786	621
50	0	0	29.7	26	40	25	LF	225,730	0.113	0.93	0	5,580	790
51	0	1	29.7	22	40	30	LF	226,331	0.114	0.94	0.01	4,716	766
52	0	2	29.7	22	40	25	CC	226,577	0.114	0.94	0.01	4,564	700
53	20	3	29.7	0	40	20	CC	226,671	0.117	1	0.03	0	0
54	20	3	29.7	0	40	20	LF	226,671	0.117	1	0.03	0	0
55	0	3	29.7	22	40	25	LF	226,727	0.114	0.95	0	4,056	665
56	15	0	29.7	0	60	30	CC	226,738	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
57	15	0	29.7	0	60	30	LF	226,738	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
58	5	0	29.7	22	40	30	LF	226,739	0.114	0.95	0.01	4,008	650
59	10	3	29.7	0	60	25	CC	226,960	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
60	10	3	29.7	0	60	25	LF	226,960	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
61	0	1	29.7	26	40	25	LF	226,977	0.114	0.93	0	5,151	731
62	0	0	29.7	22	40	30	CC	227,271	0.114	0.93	0.01	5,294	800
63	25	0	29.7	0	40	25	CC	227,288	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
64	25	0	29.7	0	40	25	LF	227,288	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
65	5	0	29.7	26	40	25	LF	227,420	0.114	0.94	0	4,458	633
66	15	4	29.7	0	40	30	CC	227,465	0.117	1	0.03	0	0
67	15	4	29.7	0	40	30	LF	227,465	0.117	1	0.03	0	0
68	5	1	29.7	22	40	25	CC	227,495	0.114	0.95	0	3,924	606
69	20	1	29.7	0	40	35	CC	227,750	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
70	20	1	29.7	0	40	35	LF	227,750	0.118	1	0.04	0	0
71	5	4	29.7	0	60	35	CC	227,753	0.119	1	0.04	0	0
72	5	4	29.7	0	60	35	LF	227,753	0.119	1	0.04	0	0
73	0	2	29.7	22	40	30	LF	228,191	0.115	0.94	0.01	4,337	706
74	5	2	29.7	22	40	25	LF	228,202	0.114	0.96	0	3,478	570

75	0	3	29.7	22	40	25	CC	228,583	0.115	0.94	0	4,213	645
76	0	0	29.7	26	40	25	CC	228,728	0.114	0.92	0	5,790	746
77	15	1	29.7	0	60	25	CC	228,751	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
78	15	1	29.7	0	60	25	LF	228,751	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
79	0	2	29.7	26	40	25	LF	228,752	0.114	0.94	0	4,772	679
80	5	0	29.7	22	40	30	CC	228,794	0.115	0.94	0.01	4,168	634
81	25	1	29.7	0	40	20	CC	228,845	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
82	25	1	29.7	0	40	20	LF	228,845	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
83	0	1	29.7	26	40	25	CC	228,849	0.115	0.93	0	5,274	682
84	0	1	29.7	22	40	30	CC	228,911	0.115	0.93	0.01	4,901	741
85	0	0	29.7	22	40	20	LF	228,945	0.115	0.92	0.01	6,207	1,046
86	10	4	29.7	0	60	20	CC	228,972	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
87	10	4	29.7	0	60	20	LF	228,972	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
88	10	0	29.7	22	40	25	LF	229,112	0.115	0.96	0.01	3,362	554
89	0	0	29.7	22	40	35	LF	229,253	0.115	0.93	0.01	5,102	829
90	20	2	29.7	0	40	30	CC	229,342	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
91	20	2	29.7	0	40	30	LF	229,342	0.118	1	0.03	0	0
92	5	0	29.7	26	40	25	CC	229,395	0.115	0.94	0	4,608	604
93	5	1	29.7	26	40	25	LF	229,481	0.115	0.95	0	4,114	582
94	10	2	29.7	0	60	35	CC	229,544	0.119	1	0.04	0	0
95	10	2	29.7	0	60	35	LF	229,544	0.119	1	0.04	0	0
96	5	1	29.7	22	40	30	LF	229,570	0.115	0.95	0.01	3,722	605
97	0	4	29.7	22	40	25	LF	229,601	0.115	0.95	0	3,753	615
98	0	0	29.7	22	60	25	LF	229,889	0.116	0.95	0.01	3,842	613
99	0	0	29.7	26	40	30	LF	230,137	0.115	0.93	0	5,562	785
100	5	2	29.7	22	40	25	CC	230,414	0.116	0.95	0	3,646	568
101	0	2	29.7	22	40	30	CC	230,574	0.116	0.94	0.01	4,510	684
102	0	2	29.7	26	40	25	CC	230,753	0.115	0.93	0	4,911	638
103	15	2	29.7	0	60	20	CC	230,763	0.119	1	0.03	0	0
104	15	2	29.7	0	60	20	LF	230,763	0.119	1	0.03	0	0
105	0	3	29.7	22	40	30	LF	230,790	0.116	0.95	0	4,013	656
106	0	0	29.7	22	60	25	CC	230,885	0.116	0.95	0.01	3,937	596
107	10	0	29.7	22	40	25	CC	230,913	0.116	0.96	0.01	3,500	550
108	0	1	29.7	22	40	20	LF	230,922	0.116	0.93	0.01	5,830	986
109	0	1	29.7	22	40	35	LF	230,928	0.116	0.94	0.01	4,716	766
110	0	3	29.7	26	40	25	LF	231,092	0.116	0.94	0	4,432	630
111	0	1	29.7	26	40	30	LF	231,253	0.116	0.93	0	5,119	725
112	20	3	29.7	0	40	25	CC	231,268	0.119	1	0.03	0	0
113	20	3	29.7	0	40	25	LF	231,268	0.119	1	0.03	0	0
114	5	0	29.7	26	40	30	LF	231,332	0.116	0.94	0	4,389	619
115	15	0	29.7	0	60	35	CC	231,335	0.12	1	0.04	0	0

116	15	0	29.7	0	60	35	LF	231,335	0.12	1	0.04	0	0
117	5	0	29.7	22	40	35	LF	231,335	0.116	0.95	0.01	4,008	650
118	5	1	29.7	26	40	25	CC	231,422	0.116	0.94	0	4,253	561
119	5	1	29.7	22	40	30	CC	231,425	0.116	0.95	0.01	3,863	590
120	10	3	29.7	0	60	30	CC	231,556	0.12	1	0.04	0	0
121	10	3	29.7	0	60	30	LF	231,556	0.12	1	0.04	0	0
122	0	0	29.7	22	40	20	CC	231,590	0.116	0.92	0.01	6,443	1,035
123	5	3	29.7	22	40	25	LF	231,687	0.116	0.96	0	3,239	533
124	0	4	29.7	22	40	25	CC	231,725	0.116	0.95	0	3,942	608
125	0	0	29.7	22	40	35	CC	231,867	0.117	0.93	0.01	5,294	800

Table A-2 Overall optimization for Taba B

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L)	Gen (hrs)
1	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	244,683	0.099	0.94	0.02	3,753	814
2	0	0	36.5	22	40	30	LF	245,630	0.1	0.92	0.02	5,673	1,265
3	0	0	36.5	22	60	30	CC	247,169	0.1	0.94	0.01	3,968	820
4	0	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	247,569	0.1	0.95	0.01	3,456	752
5	0	1	36.5	22	40	30	LF	247,794	0.1	0.92	0.02	5,320	1,193
6	0	1	36.5	22	60	30	CC	249,661	0.101	0.95	0.01	3,637	756
7	15	2	36.5	0	60	30	CC	250,191	0.104	1	0.04	0	0
8	15	2	36.5	0	60	30	LF	250,191	0.104	1	0.04	0	0
9	0	0	36.5	22	40	30	CC	250,213	0.101	0.91	0.02	6,037	1,273
10	0	2	36.5	22	40	30	LF	250,311	0.101	0.93	0.01	4,994	1,122
11	5	0	36.5	22	40	30	LF	250,726	0.101	0.93	0.01	4,834	1,089
12	0	2	36.5	22	60	30	LF	251,074	0.101	0.95	0.01	3,209	699
13	5	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	251,496	0.102	0.95	0.01	3,096	683
14	0	1	36.5	22	40	30	CC	251,633	0.102	0.92	0.01	5,624	1,184
15	20	0	36.5	0	60	30	CC	251,981	0.105	1	0.04	0	0
16	20	0	36.5	0	60	30	LF	251,981	0.105	1	0.04	0	0
17	0	3	36.5	22	40	30	LF	252,802	0.102	0.93	0.01	4,662	1,051
18	0	2	36.5	22	60	30	CC	253,234	0.102	0.95	0.01	3,395	706
19	0	0	36.5	22	60	40	LF	253,260	0.103	0.94	0.02	3,617	765
20	5	0	36.5	22	60	30	CC	253,322	0.102	0.95	0.01	3,255	687
21	5	1	36.5	22	40	30	LF	253,488	0.102	0.94	0.01	4,530	1,024
22	5	0	36.5	22	40	30	CC	254,042	0.103	0.93	0.01	5,102	1,093
23	0	2	36.5	22	40	30	CC	254,234	0.103	0.92	0.01	5,304	1,120
24	0	3	36.5	22	60	30	LF	255,018	0.103	0.96	0.01	2,996	655
25	5	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	255,324	0.103	0.96	0.01	2,875	635
26	0	0	36.5	22	60	40	CC	255,779	0.104	0.94	0.02	3,834	774

27	0	0	36.5	33	60	30	LF	255,823	0.102	0.93	0	4,731	731
28	0	0	36.5	22	40	40	LF	255,835	0.104	0.92	0.02	5,654	1,257
29	0	4	36.5	22	40	30	LF	255,984	0.103	0.94	0.01	4,399	995
30	0	1	36.5	22	60	40	LF	256,025	0.104	0.95	0.01	3,311	700
31	5	2	36.5	22	40	30	LF	256,460	0.103	0.94	0.01	4,248	961
32	0	3	36.5	22	40	30	CC	256,771	0.104	0.93	0.01	4,975	1,053
33	15	3	36.5	0	60	30	CC	256,794	0.106	1	0.04	0	0
34	15	3	36.5	0	60	30	LF	256,794	0.106	1	0.04	0	0
35	5	1	36.5	22	40	30	CC	256,821	0.104	0.93	0.01	4,797	1,027
36	0	3	36.5	22	60	30	CC	257,020	0.104	0.95	0.01	3,170	658
37	5	1	36.5	22	60	30	CC	257,326	0.104	0.96	0.01	3,047	643
38	0	1	36.5	22	40	40	LF	257,894	0.104	0.92	0.02	5,295	1,181
39	0	0	36.5	33	60	30	CC	258,081	0.103	0.93	0	4,945	698
40	0	1	36.5	33	60	30	LF	258,238	0.103	0.94	0	4,389	678
41	20	1	36.5	0	60	30	CC	258,585	0.107	1	0.04	0	0
42	20	1	36.5	0	60	30	LF	258,585	0.107	1	0.04	0	0
43	0	0	36.5	22	20	20	LF	258,599	0.105	0.87	0.02	9,668	2,238
44	10	0	36.5	22	40	30	LF	258,630	0.104	0.94	0.01	4,245	967
45	0	1	36.5	22	60	40	CC	258,739	0.105	0.95	0.01	3,541	717
46	10	4	36.5	0	60	40	CC	258,783	0.107	1	0.04	0	0
47	10	4	36.5	0	60	40	LF	258,783	0.107	1	0.04	0	0
48	5	0	36.5	22	60	40	LF	258,906	0.105	0.96	0.01	2,873	604
49	0	4	36.5	22	60	30	LF	259,086	0.104	0.96	0.01	2,793	614
50	5	2	36.5	22	40	30	CC	259,396	0.105	0.94	0.01	4,480	959
51	0	2	36.5	22	60	40	LF	259,451	0.105	0.95	0.01	3,058	646
52	5	2	36.5	22	60	30	LF	259,512	0.105	0.96	0.01	2,683	593
53	5	3	36.5	22	40	30	LF	259,539	0.105	0.95	0.01	3,971	902
54	0	4	36.5	22	40	30	CC	259,866	0.105	0.93	0.01	4,708	997
55	0	1	36.5	33	60	30	CC	260,016	0.104	0.93	0	4,561	644
56	0	0	36.5	33	40	30	LF	260,053	0.104	0.9	0	6,944	1,093
57	0	2	36.5	22	40	40	LF	260,410	0.105	0.93	0.01	4,969	1,111
58	0	0	36.5	22	40	40	CC	260,458	0.106	0.91	0.02	6,021	1,265
59	15	2	36.5	0	60	40	CC	260,573	0.108	1	0.04	0	0
60	15	2	36.5	0	60	40	LF	260,573	0.108	1	0.04	0	0
61	0	4	36.5	22	60	30	CC	260,721	0.105	0.96	0.01	2,937	613
62	5	0	36.5	22	40	40	LF	260,804	0.105	0.93	0.01	4,810	1,075
63	5	0	36.5	22	60	40	CC	260,833	0.105	0.95	0.01	3,038	612
64	5	2	36.5	22	60	30	CC	261,040	0.105	0.96	0.01	2,817	593
65	0	2	36.5	33	60	30	LF	261,141	0.104	0.94	0	4,085	635
66	10	0	36.5	22	40	30	CC	261,197	0.105	0.94	0.01	4,443	961
67	10	1	36.5	22	40	30	LF	261,253	0.105	0.95	0.01	3,929	896

68	0	1	36.5	22	20	20	LF	261,381	0.106	0.87	0.02	9,373	2,178
69	0	1	36.5	33	40	30	LF	261,469	0.104	0.91	0	6,522	1,032
70	0	1	36.5	22	40	40	CC	261,517	0.106	0.92	0.02	5,582	1,168
71	10	0	36.5	22	60	30	LF	261,745	0.105	0.96	0.01	2,714	611
72	0	2	36.5	22	60	40	CC	262,169	0.106	0.95	0.01	3,287	666
73	20	0	36.5	0	60	40	CC	262,364	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
74	20	0	36.5	0	60	40	LF	262,364	0.109	1	0.04	0	0
75	5	1	36.5	22	60	40	LF	262,634	0.106	0.96	0.01	2,643	556
76	5	3	36.5	22	40	30	CC	262,673	0.106	0.94	0.01	4,218	908
77	5	0	36.5	33	60	30	LF	262,707	0.105	0.94	0	4,067	630
78	0	3	36.5	22	40	40	LF	262,870	0.106	0.93	0.01	4,634	1,039
79	5	4	36.5	22	40	30	LF	262,945	0.106	0.95	0.01	3,733	851
80	0	2	36.5	33	60	30	CC	262,952	0.105	0.94	0	4,257	606
81	0	3	36.5	22	60	40	LF	263,094	0.106	0.96	0.01	2,822	596
82	10	0	36.5	22	60	30	CC	263,105	0.106	0.96	0.01	2,833	610
83	0	2	36.5	33	40	30	LF	263,232	0.105	0.91	0	6,132	971
84	5	1	36.5	22	40	40	LF	263,308	0.106	0.94	0.01	4,484	1,006
85	15	4	36.5	0	60	30	CC	263,398	0.109	1	0.03	0	0
86	15	4	36.5	0	60	30	LF	263,398	0.109	1	0.03	0	0
87	0	0	36.5	22	60	50	LF	263,643	0.107	0.94	0.02	3,617	765
88	0	0	36.5	33	60	40	LF	263,745	0.105	0.93	0	4,535	689
89	0	0	36.5	22	80	30	LF	263,923	0.107	0.95	0.01	3,243	696
90	10	1	36.5	22	40	30	CC	264,000	0.106	0.94	0.01	4,146	900
91	5	0	36.5	33	40	30	LF	264,032	0.105	0.92	0	6,032	957
92	0	0	36.5	22	20	20	CC	264,041	0.107	0.86	0.02	10,109	2,246
93	0	2	36.5	22	20	20	LF	264,246	0.107	0.88	0.02	9,078	2,117
94	5	3	36.5	22	60	30	LF	264,285	0.106	0.96	0.01	2,536	564
95	0	3	36.5	33	60	30	LF	264,305	0.106	0.95	0	3,804	591
96	0	0	36.5	44	60	30	LF	264,423	0.105	0.92	0	5,461	671
97	5	0	36.5	22	40	40	CC	264,424	0.107	0.93	0.01	5,100	1,085
98	10	2	36.5	22	40	30	LF	264,494	0.106	0.95	0.01	3,669	840
99	0	2	36.5	22	40	40	CC	264,580	0.107	0.92	0.01	5,298	1,114
100	5	1	36.5	22	60	40	CC	264,704	0.107	0.96	0.01	2,818	569
101	5	0	36.5	33	60	30	CC	264,995	0.106	0.94	0	4,276	614
102	20	2	36.5	0	60	30	CC	265,189	0.109	1	0.03	0	0
103	20	2	36.5	0	60	30	LF	265,189	0.109	1	0.03	0	0
104	0	3	36.5	22	60	40	CC	265,267	0.107	0.96	0.01	3,007	607
105	0	3	36.5	33	40	30	LF	265,449	0.106	0.92	0	5,792	919
106	0	0	36.5	22	80	30	CC	265,527	0.107	0.95	0.01	3,383	697
107	0	0	36.5	22	20	30	LF	265,774	0.108	0.87	0.02	9,317	2,144
108	5	1	36.5	33	60	30	LF	265,918	0.106	0.95	0	3,791	586

109	0	0	36.5	33	40	30	CC	265,952	0.106	0.89	0	7,384	1,030
110	0	4	36.5	22	40	40	LF	265,979	0.107	0.94	0.01	4,365	981
111	5	3	36.5	22	60	30	CC	265,997	0.107	0.96	0.01	2,682	573
112	0	1	36.5	33	60	40	LF	266,023	0.106	0.94	0	4,180	638
113	10	1	36.5	22	60	30	LF	266,027	0.107	0.96	0.01	2,530	568
114	5	4	36.5	22	40	30	CC	266,046	0.107	0.95	0.01	3,983	859
115	0	0	36.5	22	60	50	CC	266,162	0.108	0.94	0.02	3,834	774
116	0	1	36.5	44	60	30	LF	266,209	0.106	0.93	0	5,062	622
117	0	0	36.5	22	40	50	LF	266,217	0.108	0.92	0.02	5,654	1,257
118	5	2	36.5	22	40	40	LF	266,232	0.107	0.94	0.01	4,197	942
119	5	1	36.5	33	40	30	LF	266,269	0.106	0.92	0	5,692	902
120	0	0	36.5	33	60	40	CC	266,301	0.106	0.93	0	4,776	653
121	0	1	36.5	22	60	50	LF	266,408	0.108	0.95	0.01	3,311	700
122	0	3	36.5	33	60	30	CC	266,523	0.106	0.94	0	4,006	575
123	5	2	36.5	22	60	40	LF	266,581	0.107	0.96	0.01	2,431	511
124	5	1	36.5	22	40	40	CC	266,693	0.108	0.93	0.01	4,754	1,009
125	25	0	36.5	0	60	30	CC	266,980	0.11	1	0.03	0	0

Table A-3 Overall optimization for Bechet

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	109	26	80	50	LF	394,245	0.068	0.97	0.04	4,976	866
2	0	1	109	22	80	50	CC	395,523	0.068	0.98	0.04	4,514	881
3	0	2	109	22	80	50	LF	397,149	0.068	0.98	0.04	4,127	840
4	5	0	109	22	80	50	LF	398,951	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,099	837
5	0	1	109	26	80	50	LF	399,133	0.068	0.97	0.03	4,856	844
6	0	0	109	26	80	50	CC	399,608	0.069	0.97	0.03	5,402	908
7	0	0	109	26	80	60	LF	400,756	0.069	0.97	0.04	4,699	802
8	0	2	109	22	80	50	CC	401,136	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,462	873
9	0	2	109	26	60	40	LF	401,463	0.069	0.96	0.04	7,192	1,316
10	0	1	109	22	80	60	CC	402,200	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,261	819
11	0	2	109	26	60	50	LF	402,315	0.069	0.97	0.04	6,293	1,118
12	0	3	109	22	80	50	LF	402,422	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,021	818
13	5	0	109	22	80	50	CC	403,208	0.069	0.98	0.04	4,441	873
14	0	2	109	22	80	60	LF	403,511	0.069	0.98	0.04	3,873	773
15	0	1	109	26	80	50	CC	403,767	0.069	0.97	0.03	5,230	877
16	5	1	109	22	80	50	LF	403,900	0.069	0.98	0.04	3,995	815
17	5	0	109	26	60	40	LF	404,079	0.069	0.96	0.04	7,223	1,327

18	5	0	109	26	60	50	LF	404,582	0.069	0.97	0.04	6,296	1,124
19	0	2	109	26	80	50	LF	404,686	0.069	0.97	0.03	4,769	832
20	5	0	109	22	80	60	LF	405,363	0.07	0.98	0.04	3,823	764
21	0	1	109	26	80	60	LF	405,648	0.07	0.98	0.03	4,584	782
22	0	3	109	26	60	40	LF	405,871	0.07	0.96	0.03	7,032	1,287
23	0	0	109	26	80	60	CC	406,011	0.07	0.97	0.04	5,115	845
24	5	0	109	26	80	50	LF	406,081	0.07	0.98	0.03	4,727	828
25	0	3	109	22	80	50	CC	406,497	0.07	0.98	0.04	4,361	855
26	0	0	109	33	80	50	LF	406,755	0.069	0.97	0.03	6,086	848
27	0	0	109	22	100	50	LF	406,786	0.07	0.98	0.04	3,898	800
28	0	3	109	26	60	50	LF	406,795	0.07	0.97	0.03	6,135	1,091
29	0	1	109	22	80	40	CC	407,110	0.07	0.97	0.04	6,184	1,271
30	0	2	109	22	80	60	CC	407,330	0.07	0.98	0.04	4,177	804
31	0	2	109	26	60	40	CC	407,356	0.07	0.96	0.04	7,676	1,344
32	0	2	109	22	80	40	LF	407,472	0.07	0.97	0.04	5,659	1,222
33	0	0	109	33	60	50	LF	407,608	0.07	0.96	0.03	7,920	1,122
34	5	1	109	22	80	50	CC	407,853	0.07	0.98	0.04	4,315	848
35	0	0	109	26	80	40	LF	408,068	0.07	0.96	0.03	6,829	1,258
36	5	1	109	26	60	40	LF	408,331	0.07	0.96	0.03	7,048	1,295
37	0	2	109	26	60	50	CC	408,396	0.07	0.96	0.04	6,791	1,151
38	0	3	109	22	80	60	LF	408,551	0.07	0.98	0.04	3,781	754
39	5	1	109	26	60	50	LF	408,841	0.07	0.97	0.04	6,118	1,091
40	0	0	109	22	100	50	CC	409,189	0.07	0.98	0.04	4,105	807
41	0	2	109	26	80	50	CC	409,262	0.07	0.97	0.03	5,154	868
42	0	0	109	33	60	40	LF	409,279	0.07	0.95	0.03	9,136	1,332
43	5	0	109	22	80	60	CC	409,414	0.07	0.98	0.04	4,144	799
44	5	2	109	22	80	50	LF	409,767	0.07	0.98	0.03	3,935	806
45	0	3	109	26	80	50	LF	409,893	0.07	0.98	0.03	4,656	812
46	0	0	109	35	80	50	LF	410,229	0.07	0.97	0.03	6,389	844
47	5	1	109	22	80	60	LF	410,267	0.07	0.98	0.04	3,719	742
48	5	0	109	22	80	40	LF	410,307	0.07	0.97	0.04	5,741	1,243
49	5	0	109	26	60	40	CC	410,403	0.07	0.96	0.04	7,743	1,361
50	0	1	109	26	80	60	CC	410,602	0.07	0.97	0.03	4,975	821
51	0	2	109	26	80	60	LF	410,783	0.07	0.98	0.03	4,498	769
52	5	0	109	26	60	50	CC	410,809	0.071	0.96	0.04	6,807	1,158
53	0	2	109	26	60	60	LF	410,810	0.071	0.97	0.04	6,225	1,101
54	5	0	109	26	80	50	CC	410,818	0.07	0.97	0.03	5,108	863
55	0	0	109	22	100	60	LF	410,848	0.071	0.98	0.04	3,496	698

56	10	0	109	22	80	50	LF	411,292	0.071	0.98	0.03	3,909	805
57	5	1	109	26	80	50	LF	411,360	0.07	0.98	0.03	4,628	811
58	0	3	109	26	60	40	CC	411,474	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,495	1,313
59	0	1	109	33	80	50	LF	411,595	0.07	0.97	0.03	5,940	830
60	0	0	109	35	60	50	LF	411,702	0.07	0.96	0.03	8,298	1,114
61	0	1	109	33	60	50	LF	411,844	0.07	0.96	0.03	7,737	1,098
62	0	1	109	22	100	50	LF	412,253	0.071	0.98	0.03	3,806	782
63	5	0	109	26	80	60	LF	412,257	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,419	756
64	0	0	109	33	80	50	CC	412,436	0.07	0.97	0.03	6,553	883
65	0	0	109	22	100	60	CC	412,774	0.071	0.98	0.04	3,662	704
66	0	3	109	22	80	40	LF	412,787	0.071	0.97	0.04	5,555	1,203
67	0	0	109	33	80	60	LF	412,860	0.07	0.97	0.03	5,762	788
68	0	3	109	26	60	50	CC	412,869	0.071	0.97	0.03	6,632	1,125
69	5	0	109	26	60	60	LF	412,903	0.071	0.97	0.04	6,214	1,103
70	0	1	109	26	80	40	LF	412,950	0.071	0.96	0.03	6,690	1,233
71	0	2	109	22	80	40	CC	412,957	0.071	0.97	0.04	6,122	1,261
72	0	3	109	22	80	60	CC	412,997	0.071	0.98	0.04	4,133	799
73	5	2	109	26	60	40	LF	413,001	0.071	0.96	0.03	6,913	1,273
74	0	1	109	33	60	40	LF	413,069	0.07	0.95	0.03	8,905	1,299
75	5	2	109	26	60	50	LF	413,335	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,958	1,064
76	0	0	109	26	100	50	LF	413,936	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,506	791
77	5	1	109	22	80	60	CC	413,946	0.071	0.98	0.04	4,012	773
78	5	2	109	22	80	50	CC	413,971	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,284	847
79	0	0	109	26	80	40	CC	414,133	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,342	1,297
80	0	3	109	26	80	50	CC	414,139	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,013	845
81	0	0	109	35	60	40	LF	414,256	0.071	0.95	0.03	9,574	1,321
82	0	1	109	22	100	50	CC	414,593	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,009	788
83	5	1	109	26	60	40	CC	414,706	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,572	1,333
84	0	1	109	35	80	50	LF	414,911	0.07	0.97	0.02	6,230	825
85	10	0	109	22	80	50	CC	414,960	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,204	832
86	5	1	109	26	60	50	CC	414,995	0.071	0.97	0.03	6,621	1,125
87	0	0	109	33	60	50	CC	415,119	0.071	0.96	0.03	8,533	1,151
88	5	0	109	22	80	40	CC	415,161	0.071	0.97	0.04	6,154	1,270
89	5	3	109	22	80	50	LF	415,161	0.071	0.98	0.03	3,837	788
90	0	2	109	26	80	60	CC	415,207	0.071	0.97	0.03	4,849	801
91	0	0	109	35	80	50	CC	415,227	0.071	0.96	0.03	6,810	868
92	0	3	109	26	60	60	LF	415,242	0.071	0.97	0.04	6,063	1,073
93	5	1	109	22	80	40	LF	415,435	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,623	1,219

94	0	3	109	26	80	60	LF	415,538	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,376	748
95	5	2	109	22	80	60	LF	415,597	0.071	0.98	0.04	3,656	732
96	10	0	109	26	60	50	LF	415,623	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,970	1,068
97	10	2	109	22	60	40	LF	415,682	0.071	0.97	0.04	5,791	1,255
98	5	1	109	26	80	50	CC	415,689	0.071	0.97	0.03	4,992	844
99	0	1	109	35	60	50	LF	415,762	0.071	0.96	0.03	8,094	1,090
100	0	0	109	35	80	60	LF	415,891	0.071	0.97	0.03	6,027	781
101	10	0	109	26	60	40	LF	415,892	0.071	0.96	0.03	6,976	1,287
102	0	1	109	33	80	50	CC	416,030	0.071	0.97	0.03	6,320	850
103	0	2	109	33	60	50	LF	416,085	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,545	1,073
104	0	0	109	33	60	60	LF	416,127	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,853	1,109
105	10	2	109	22	60	50	LF	416,213	0.072	0.97	0.04	4,902	1,026
106	0	0	109	33	60	40	CC	416,225	0.071	0.95	0.03	9,713	1,359
107	10	1	109	22	80	50	LF	416,552	0.071	0.98	0.03	3,804	783
108	0	1	109	22	100	60	LF	416,562	0.072	0.98	0.04	3,425	683
109	0	0	109	33	40	40	LF	416,569	0.071	0.94	0.03	11,614	1,718
110	0	2	109	26	60	60	CC	416,617	0.072	0.96	0.04	6,700	1,130
111	0	0	109	26	100	50	CC	416,849	0.071	0.97	0.03	4,757	801
112	5	2	109	26	80	50	LF	416,892	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,541	798
113	0	2	109	33	80	50	LF	416,928	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,835	818
114	5	0	109	26	80	60	CC	417,083	0.071	0.97	0.03	4,802	795
115	5	1	109	26	60	60	LF	417,310	0.072	0.97	0.04	6,048	1,073
116	0	1	109	33	80	60	LF	417,337	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,612	769
117	5	1	109	26	80	60	LF	417,363	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,327	742
118	10	0	109	22	80	60	LF	417,399	0.072	0.98	0.04	3,605	724
119	5	3	109	26	60	40	LF	417,472	0.071	0.97	0.03	6,760	1,246
120	0	0	109	26	100	60	LF	417,498	0.071	0.98	0.03	4,060	692
121	5	3	109	26	60	50	LF	417,569	0.071	0.97	0.03	5,782	1,031
122	0	2	109	22	100	50	LF	417,927	0.072	0.98	0.03	3,731	769
123	0	2	109	33	60	40	LF	418,079	0.071	0.95	0.03	8,774	1,282
124	0	3	109	22	80	40	CC	418,139	0.072	0.97	0.03	6,007	1,241
125	5	0	109	33	60	50	LF	418,190	0.071	0.96	0.03	7,543	1,077

Table A-4 Overall optimization for Suha

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	6	81.2	35	100	60	LF	558,597	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,684	1,038
2	5	4	81.2	35	100	60	LF	559,534	0.106	0.95	0.04	10,538	1,025

3	0	5	81.2	35	100	60	CC	559,718	0.106	0.94	0.04	11,314	1,057
4	5	3	81.2	35	100	60	CC	560,108	0.106	0.94	0.04	11,128	1,043
5	10	2	81.2	35	100	60	LF	560,423	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,390	1,013
6	10	1	81.2	35	100	60	CC	561,647	0.107	0.94	0.04	11,044	1,036
7	10	4	81.2	33	100	60	LF	561,884	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,364	962
8	15	0	81.2	35	100	60	LF	562,189	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,336	1,008
9	5	2	81.2	35	120	60	LF	562,334	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,772	941
10	5	5	81.2	35	100	60	LF	562,584	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,231	996
11	0	7	81.2	35	100	60	LF	562,682	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,476	1,019
12	0	6	81.2	35	100	60	CC	562,920	0.107	0.94	0.03	11,037	1,032
13	10	3	81.2	35	100	60	LF	563,284	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,077	982
14	15	2	81.2	33	100	60	LF	563,434	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,279	957
15	10	0	81.2	35	120	60	LF	563,687	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,732	940
16	5	1	81.2	35	120	60	CC	564,073	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,526	982
17	10	2	81.2	35	100	60	CC	564,088	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,688	1,005
18	5	4	81.2	35	100	60	CC	564,191	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,918	1,026
19	5	2	81.2	35	120	70	LF	564,545	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,163	865
20	5	7	81.2	33	100	60	LF	564,581	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,260	952
21	0	8	81.2	33	100	60	CC	564,617	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,026	992
22	0	6	81.2	35	100	70	LF	564,879	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,378	1,000
23	10	0	81.2	35	120	70	LF	565,140	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,056	857
24	15	1	81.2	35	100	60	LF	565,264	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,032	981
25	5	4	81.2	35	100	70	LF	565,397	0.107	0.95	0.04	10,193	981
26	10	5	81.2	33	100	60	LF	565,469	0.107	0.96	0.04	9,110	938
27	5	6	81.2	33	100	60	CC	565,731	0.107	0.95	0.04	9,894	982
28	0	8	81.2	35	100	60	LF	565,847	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,172	990
29	10	2	81.2	35	100	70	LF	565,968	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,018	964
30	0	5	81.2	35	100	70	CC	566,170	0.108	0.94	0.04	11,030	1,023
31	0	5	81.2	35	120	60	LF	566,223	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,689	936
32	5	3	81.2	35	100	70	CC	566,230	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,807	1,004
33	5	1	81.2	35	120	70	CC	566,243	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,911	911
34	5	6	81.2	35	100	60	LF	566,278	0.107	0.95	0.03	10,001	975
35	15	0	81.2	35	100	60	CC	566,359	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,683	1,007
36	5	3	81.2	35	120	60	LF	566,381	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,545	922
37	10	4	81.2	33	100	60	CC	566,427	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,736	969
38	0	0	81.2	44	100	60	LF	566,447	0.107	0.92	0.03	14,928	1,173
39	10	4	81.2	35	100	60	LF	566,778	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,822	958
40	0	4	81.2	35	120	60	CC	566,979	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,357	966
41	0	7	81.2	35	100	60	CC	567,047	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,839	1,017
42	15	3	81.2	33	100	60	LF	567,106	0.108	0.96	0.04	9,039	935
43	10	1	81.2	35	120	60	LF	567,141	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,452	916

44	5	5	81.2	35	100	60	CC	567,221	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,611	997
45	10	4	81.2	33	100	70	LF	567,367	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,990	911
46	10	3	81.2	35	100	60	CC	567,414	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,415	980
47	5	2	81.2	35	120	60	CC	567,463	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,240	958
48	15	2	81.2	33	100	60	CC	567,466	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,607	958
49	15	0	81.2	33	120	60	LF	567,552	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,726	894
50	15	0	81.2	35	100	70	LF	567,594	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,953	959
51	10	1	81.2	35	100	70	CC	567,663	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,718	999
52	5	8	81.2	33	100	60	LF	568,117	0.108	0.96	0.03	9,012	926
53	5	7	81.2	33	100	60	CC	568,333	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,565	948
54	0	7	81.2	35	100	70	LF	568,379	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,132	975
55	20	1	81.2	33	100	60	LF	568,391	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,948	923
56	15	2	81.2	35	100	60	LF	568,511	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,753	954
57	15	2	81.2	33	100	70	LF	568,567	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,874	902
58	5	3	81.2	35	120	70	LF	568,589	0.108	0.95	0.04	8,935	847
59	5	5	81.2	35	100	70	LF	568,720	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,920	956
60	10	1	81.2	35	120	70	LF	568,794	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,794	834
61	10	3	81.2	35	100	70	LF	568,807	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,703	935
62	15	0	81.2	33	120	70	LF	568,823	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,036	805
63	20	0	81.2	33	100	60	CC	568,834	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,536	951
64	10	0	81.2	35	120	60	CC	568,836	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,202	957
65	0	1	81.2	44	100	60	LF	568,937	0.107	0.93	0.03	14,571	1,149
66	15	1	81.2	35	100	60	CC	568,963	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,332	976
67	0	5	81.2	35	120	70	LF	568,993	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,129	866
68	0	8	81.2	35	100	60	CC	569,011	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,449	978
69	0	6	81.2	35	100	70	CC	569,298	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,737	997
70	0	7	81.2	33	120	60	LF	569,335	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,776	897
71	10	6	81.2	33	100	60	LF	569,351	0.108	0.96	0.03	8,891	917
72	5	7	81.2	35	100	60	LF	569,398	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,711	946
73	10	0	81.2	35	120	70	CC	569,543	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,458	871
74	10	5	81.2	33	100	60	CC	569,548	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,444	941
75	0	4	81.2	35	120	70	CC	569,566	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,779	898
76	5	2	81.2	35	120	70	CC	569,640	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,625	886
77	5	4	81.2	33	120	60	CC	569,663	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,244	914
78	0	6	81.2	35	120	60	LF	569,731	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,414	911
79	0	6	81.2	33	120	60	CC	569,771	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,413	930
80	5	4	81.2	35	100	70	CC	569,866	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,556	982
81	20	0	81.2	35	100	60	LF	569,966	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,693	945
82	5	5	81.2	33	120	60	LF	570,041	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,679	890
83	10	2	81.2	35	100	70	CC	570,073	0.108	0.95	0.04	10,355	963
84	10	5	81.2	35	100	60	LF	570,134	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,551	932

85	10	3	81.2	33	120	60	LF	570,294	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,543	876
86	5	6	81.2	35	100	60	CC	570,332	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,331	971
87	5	7	81.2	33	100	70	LF	570,370	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,911	905
88	15	4	81.2	33	100	60	LF	570,372	0.108	0.96	0.03	8,763	906
89	5	4	81.2	35	120	60	LF	570,386	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,313	903
90	15	1	81.2	35	100	70	LF	570,496	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,634	929
91	10	5	81.2	33	100	70	LF	570,795	0.108	0.96	0.04	8,721	885
92	0	2	81.2	44	100	60	LF	570,850	0.108	0.93	0.03	14,158	1,116
93	0	5	81.2	35	120	60	CC	570,864	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,116	943
94	10	2	81.2	35	120	60	LF	570,878	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,198	892
95	0	8	81.2	33	100	70	CC	570,924	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,729	955
96	5	6	81.2	33	100	70	CC	570,963	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,496	933
97	10	2	81.2	33	120	60	CC	571,049	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,207	914
98	10	4	81.2	35	100	60	CC	571,087	0.108	0.95	0.03	10,175	959
99	15	3	81.2	33	100	60	CC	571,163	0.108	0.95	0.04	9,374	937
100	15	0	81.2	35	100	70	CC	571,227	0.109	0.95	0.04	10,253	955
101	5	0	81.2	44	100	60	LF	571,293	0.108	0.93	0.03	13,987	1,100
102	5	3	81.2	35	120	60	CC	571,355	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,998	938
103	15	1	81.2	33	120	60	LF	571,548	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,495	873
104	0	7	81.2	33	120	70	LF	571,626	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,174	820
105	5	6	81.2	35	100	70	LF	571,729	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,613	926
106	10	4	81.2	33	100	70	CC	571,786	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,353	919
107	0	8	81.2	35	100	70	LF	571,864	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,868	952
108	15	3	81.2	35	100	60	LF	571,928	0.108	0.95	0.03	9,499	930
109	5	5	81.2	33	120	70	LF	571,957	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,045	808
110	0	6	81.2	33	120	70	CC	571,991	0.109	0.95	0.04	8,803	856
111	20	2	81.2	33	100	60	LF	572,012	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,695	899
112	15	0	81.2	33	120	60	CC	572,032	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,134	910
113	10	4	81.2	35	100	70	LF	572,130	0.109	0.95	0.03	9,431	908
114	10	3	81.2	33	120	70	LF	572,160	0.109	0.96	0.04	7,905	793
115	0	6	81.2	35	120	70	LF	572,220	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,829	839
116	0	0	81.2	44	100	60	CC	572,301	0.108	0.92	0.03	15,389	1,160
117	15	0	81.2	35	120	60	LF	572,302	0.109	0.95	0.03	9,165	890
118	5	4	81.2	33	120	70	CC	572,304	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,672	844
119	15	3	81.2	33	100	70	LF	572,340	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,644	881
120	0	0	81.2	44	120	60	LF	572,354	0.108	0.93	0.03	13,222	1,030
121	20	1	81.2	33	100	60	CC	572,362	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,271	925
122	15	2	81.2	33	100	70	CC	572,391	0.109	0.95	0.04	9,185	903
123	10	2	81.2	35	120	70	LF	572,447	0.109	0.96	0.04	8,532	810
124	15	2	81.2	35	100	60	CC	572,463	0.109	0.95	0.03	10,072	952
125	5	8	81.2	33	100	60	CC	572,486	0.109	0.95	0.03	9,369	931

Table A-5 Overall optimization for Muga I

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS2P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L)	Gen (hrs)
1	20	2	193	132	320	190	LF	1,681,425	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,459	1,668
2	20	2	193	132	320	180	LF	1,682,372	0.11	0.88	0.03	47,482	1,728
3	30	0	193	132	320	190	LF	1,683,941	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,136	1,624
4	20	2	193	132	360	200	LF	1,684,171	0.11	0.89	0.03	41,478	1,463
5	20	4	193	132	320	190	LF	1,685,163	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,632	1,643
6	20	4	193	132	320	180	LF	1,685,477	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,615	1,701
7	20	4	193	132	360	200	LF	1,685,866	0.11	0.89	0.03	40,488	1,427
8	30	0	193	132	360	200	LF	1,685,969	0.11	0.89	0.03	40,186	1,421
9	10	8	193	132	320	190	LF	1,685,976	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,052	1,657
10	30	0	193	132	320	180	LF	1,686,535	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,398	1,695
11	20	2	193	132	360	190	LF	1,686,688	0.11	0.89	0.03	42,578	1,522
12	10	6	193	132	360	190	LF	1,686,862	0.11	0.89	0.03	42,902	1,531
13	40	16	193	114	360	200	LF	1,687,001	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,731	1,165
14	10	8	193	132	320	180	LF	1,687,056	0.11	0.88	0.03	47,057	1,716
15	20	2	193	132	320	200	LF	1,687,351	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,970	1,640
16	0	10	193	132	320	180	LF	1,687,587	0.11	0.87	0.03	48,539	1,768
17	50	12	193	114	360	200	LF	1,687,901	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,422	1,156
18	30	0	193	132	320	200	LF	1,688,312	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,477	1,588
19	10	6	193	132	360	200	LF	1,688,347	0.11	0.89	0.03	42,145	1,487
20	30	2	193	132	320	190	LF	1,688,579	0.11	0.88	0.03	44,370	1,604
21	10	10	193	132	320	190	LF	1,688,954	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,147	1,623
22	0	10	193	132	320	190	LF	1,689,069	0.11	0.87	0.03	47,790	1,723
23	20	6	193	132	360	200	LF	1,689,245	0.11	0.9	0.03	39,641	1,399
24	20	6	193	132	320	190	LF	1,689,333	0.11	0.88	0.03	44,831	1,619
25	30	2	193	132	360	200	LF	1,689,366	0.11	0.9	0.03	39,340	1,394
26	30	0	193	132	360	190	LF	1,689,427	0.11	0.89	0.03	41,364	1,487
27	30	2	193	132	320	180	LF	1,689,458	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,517	1,665
28	20	4	193	132	280	180	LF	1,689,610	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,823	1,861
29	60	8	193	114	360	200	LF	1,689,670	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,146	1,148
30	20	4	193	132	360	190	LF	1,689,677	0.11	0.89	0.03	41,697	1,493
31	20	4	193	132	320	200	LF	1,689,856	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,004	1,608
32	0	12	193	132	320	190	LF	1,690,096	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,750	1,683
33	10	10	193	132	320	180	LF	1,690,242	0.11	0.88	0.03	46,201	1,683
34	20	2	193	132	360	210	LF	1,690,385	0.111	0.89	0.03	41,126	1,438
35	10	8	193	132	360	200	LF	1,690,468	0.111	0.89	0.03	41,190	1,456
36	0	12	193	132	320	180	LF	1,690,528	0.11	0.88	0.03	47,662	1,735
37	30	0	193	132	360	210	LF	1,690,871	0.111	0.89	0.03	39,721	1,392

38	10	8	193	132	280	180	LF	1,690,950	0.111	0.87	0.03	51,296	1,877
39	20	6	193	132	320	180	LF	1,691,158	0.11	0.88	0.03	45,967	1,683
40	30	4	193	132	320	190	LF	1,691,335	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,452	1,569
41	40	0	193	132	320	190	LF	1,691,404	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,045	1,552
42	20	0	193	132	400	200	LF	1,691,495	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,827	1,366
43	10	8	193	132	360	190	LF	1,691,554	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,166	1,512
44	10	8	193	132	320	200	LF	1,691,699	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,545	1,627
45	40	0	193	132	360	200	LF	1,691,701	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,096	1,350
46	30	2	193	132	320	200	LF	1,691,967	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,613	1,559
47	30	4	193	132	360	200	LF	1,692,136	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,442	1,362
48	20	4	193	132	360	210	LF	1,692,642	0.111	0.89	0.03	40,182	1,407
49	10	12	193	132	320	190	LF	1,692,813	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,328	1,595
50	0	10	193	132	360	190	LF	1,692,916	0.111	0.88	0.03	43,730	1,563
51	20	6	193	132	320	200	LF	1,693,072	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,090	1,575
52	20	8	193	132	320	190	LF	1,693,116	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,960	1,590
53	20	6	193	132	280	180	LF	1,693,181	0.111	0.87	0.03	49,967	1,832
54	10	10	193	132	360	200	LF	1,693,190	0.111	0.89	0.03	40,287	1,424
55	70	4	193	114	360	200	LF	1,693,214	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,028	1,148
56	50	12	193	114	360	210	LF	1,693,282	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,877	1,123
57	40	16	193	114	360	210	LF	1,693,292	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,291	1,139
58	30	2	193	132	280	180	LF	1,693,325	0.111	0.87	0.03	49,615	1,820
59	40	18	193	114	360	200	LF	1,693,398	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,145	1,144
60	30	4	193	132	320	180	LF	1,693,406	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,724	1,638
61	20	4	193	132	280	170	LF	1,693,636	0.111	0.87	0.03	52,448	1,952
62	10	8	193	132	280	170	LF	1,693,791	0.111	0.86	0.03	52,791	1,959
63	20	4	193	132	280	190	LF	1,693,890	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,182	1,819
64	10	10	193	132	280	180	LF	1,693,923	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,393	1,843
65	60	0	193	114	400	210	CC	1,693,934	0.111	0.93	0.04	27,978	1,070
66	30	2	193	132	360	210	LF	1,693,979	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,851	1,362
67	20	8	193	132	360	200	LF	1,694,054	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,916	1,377
68	10	10	193	132	320	200	LF	1,694,062	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,559	1,589
69	50	14	193	114	360	200	LF	1,694,077	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,801	1,131
70	30	2	193	132	360	190	LF	1,694,132	0.111	0.89	0.03	40,634	1,459
71	20	6	193	132	360	190	LF	1,694,153	0.111	0.89	0.03	40,945	1,468
72	0	14	193	132	320	190	LF	1,694,255	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,976	1,655
73	10	12	193	132	320	180	LF	1,694,394	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,425	1,657
74	40	2	193	132	360	200	LF	1,694,520	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,203	1,317
75	60	8	193	114	360	210	LF	1,694,573	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,552	1,111
76	20	2	193	132	400	200	LF	1,694,790	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,973	1,336
77	50	8	193	114	400	210	LF	1,694,828	0.111	0.93	0.04	26,069	1,042
78	0	10	193	132	320	200	LF	1,694,924	0.111	0.88	0.03	47,389	1,700

79	40	0	193	132	320	180	LF	1,694,994	0.111	0.89	0.03	44,553	1,632
80	40	0	193	132	320	200	LF	1,695,002	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,309	1,509
81	60	10	193	114	360	200	LF	1,695,003	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,464	1,120
82	70	0	193	114	400	210	LF	1,695,009	0.111	0.93	0.04	25,468	1,020
83	10	4	193	132	400	200	LF	1,695,017	0.111	0.89	0.03	39,440	1,384
84	30	4	193	132	320	200	LF	1,695,081	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,690	1,527
85	0	14	193	132	320	180	LF	1,695,133	0.111	0.88	0.03	46,925	1,710
86	60	4	193	114	400	210	LF	1,695,173	0.111	0.93	0.04	25,790	1,033
87	30	6	193	132	320	190	LF	1,695,224	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,606	1,541
88	40	16	193	114	360	190	LF	1,695,244	0.111	0.92	0.03	30,319	1,253
89	50	8	193	114	400	200	LF	1,695,425	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,005	1,094
90	10	10	193	132	360	190	LF	1,695,425	0.111	0.89	0.03	41,364	1,480
91	50	12	193	114	360	190	LF	1,695,431	0.111	0.92	0.03	30,026	1,245
92	20	8	193	132	320	180	LF	1,695,479	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,206	1,657
93	40	2	193	132	320	190	LF	1,695,535	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,244	1,527
94	30	6	193	132	360	200	LF	1,695,611	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,604	1,333
95	20	2	193	132	320	210	LF	1,695,805	0.111	0.88	0.03	45,774	1,628
96	10	6	193	132	360	210	LF	1,695,877	0.111	0.89	0.03	41,905	1,469
97	10	8	193	132	280	190	LF	1,695,910	0.111	0.87	0.03	50,722	1,838
98	20	0	193	132	400	210	LF	1,695,920	0.111	0.9	0.03	38,322	1,333
99	30	4	193	132	280	180	LF	1,695,946	0.111	0.88	0.03	48,668	1,786
100	0	10	193	132	360	200	LF	1,695,975	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,108	1,525
101	0	12	193	132	360	190	LF	1,696,006	0.111	0.89	0.03	42,858	1,534
102	10	12	193	132	360	200	LF	1,696,096	0.111	0.9	0.03	39,402	1,390
103	30	0	193	132	400	200	LF	1,696,200	0.111	0.9	0.03	36,648	1,293
104	20	6	193	132	280	190	LF	1,696,258	0.111	0.87	0.03	49,191	1,783
105	60	10	193	114	320	190	LF	1,696,293	0.111	0.92	0.03	32,305	1,347
106	30	0	193	132	320	210	LF	1,696,356	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,247	1,571
107	40	0	193	132	360	210	LF	1,696,364	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,610	1,321
108	20	6	193	132	360	210	LF	1,696,376	0.111	0.9	0.03	39,364	1,384
109	0	12	193	132	320	200	LF	1,696,495	0.111	0.88	0.03	46,348	1,658
110	30	0	193	132	400	210	LF	1,696,589	0.111	0.9	0.03	35,797	1,245
111	20	4	193	132	400	200	LF	1,696,716	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,001	1,304
112	30	4	193	132	360	210	LF	1,696,759	0.111	0.9	0.03	37,952	1,334
113	60	4	193	114	400	200	LF	1,696,771	0.111	0.93	0.03	26,812	1,089
114	20	10	193	132	320	190	LF	1,696,904	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,149	1,557
115	30	22	193	114	360	200	LF	1,697,010	0.111	0.93	0.03	28,762	1,171
116	20	8	193	132	280	180	LF	1,697,036	0.111	0.87	0.03	49,127	1,801
117	70	4	193	114	360	210	LF	1,697,160	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,329	1,106
118	30	2	193	132	280	190	LF	1,697,169	0.111	0.87	0.03	48,909	1,777
119	40	0	193	132	360	190	LF	1,697,357	0.111	0.9	0.03	39,465	1,421

120	80	0	193	114	360	200	LF	1,697,376	0.111	0.93	0.03	27,989	1,149
121	10	12	193	132	320	200	LF	1,697,391	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,672	1,560
122	20	8	193	132	320	200	LF	1,697,448	0.111	0.89	0.03	43,282	1,551
123	30	4	193	132	360	190	LF	1,697,469	0.111	0.9	0.03	39,784	1,430
124	60	10	193	114	320	200	LF	1,697,484	0.111	0.92	0.03	31,290	1,289
125	20	4	193	132	320	210	LF	1,697,598	0.111	0.88	0.03	44,742	1,590

Table A-6 Overall optimization for Muga II

Rank	PV (kW)	HY-5 kW	Hydro (kW)	Gen (kW)	S6CS25P	Converter (kW)	Dispatch strategy	Total NPC (\$)	COE (\$/kWh)	Renewable fraction	Unmet load fraction	Diesel (L/yr)	Gen (hrs/yr)
1	0	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,529,068	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,634	1,474
2	0	0	831	382	320	270	LF	3,529,095	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,433	1,486
3	0	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,627	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,195	1,468
4	5	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,530,666	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,470	1,458
5	0	0	831	382	320	260	LF	3,531,804	0.088	0.91	0.04	122,466	1,501
6	5	0	831	382	320	270	LF	3,532,878	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,459	1,473
7	0	1	831	382	320	270	LF	3,532,912	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,191	1,483
8	0	0	831	382	320	290	LF	3,532,970	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,175	1,467
9	0	1	831	382	320	260	LF	3,534,826	0.088	0.91	0.04	122,155	1,497
10	5	0	831	382	320	290	LF	3,534,830	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,034	1,451
11	0	2	831	382	320	280	LF	3,535,243	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,023	1,466
12	0	1	831	382	320	290	LF	3,535,273	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,802	1,462
13	5	0	831	382	320	260	LF	3,535,652	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,497	1,488
14	0	0	831	382	320	300	LF	3,535,830	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,626	1,459
15	5	0	831	382	320	300	LF	3,536,089	0.088	0.91	0.04	118,346	1,441
16	5	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,536,484	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,401	1,458
17	0	2	831	382	320	270	LF	3,536,807	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,956	1,480
18	0	1	831	382	320	300	LF	3,538,130	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,252	1,454
19	0	3	831	382	320	280	LF	3,538,245	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,709	1,462
20	0	2	831	382	320	290	LF	3,538,491	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,507	1,458
21	0	3	831	382	320	270	LF	3,538,542	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,533	1,474
22	0	2	831	382	320	260	LF	3,538,691	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,917	1,494
23	5	1	831	382	320	270	LF	3,538,774	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,397	1,473
24	0	0	831	382	320	310	LF	3,540,237	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,211	1,453
25	0	0	831	382	320	250	LF	3,540,597	0.088	0.91	0.04	124,026	1,525
26	5	1	831	382	320	290	LF	3,540,608	0.088	0.91	0.04	118,962	1,451
27	5	0	831	382	320	310	LF	3,540,724	0.088	0.91	0.04	117,951	1,435
28	5	2	831	382	320	280	LF	3,541,089	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,227	1,456

29	0	3	831	382	320	260	LF	3,541,236	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,564	1,489
30	0	2	831	382	320	300	LF	3,541,346	0.088	0.91	0.04	118,958	1,450
31	0	3	831	382	320	290	LF	3,541,507	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,195	1,454
32	5	1	831	382	320	260	LF	3,541,566	0.088	0.91	0.04	121,437	1,488
33	10	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,541,770	0.088	0.91	0.04	119,131	1,454
34	5	1	831	382	320	300	LF	3,541,858	0.088	0.91	0.04	118,273	1,441
35	0	0	831	382	360	290	LF	3,542,037	0.089	0.91	0.04	116,502	1,415
36	5	2	831	382	320	270	LF	3,542,141	0.088	0.91	0.04	120,116	1,469
37	0	0	831	382	360	300	LF	3,542,416	0.089	0.91	0.04	115,737	1,404
38	0	0	831	382	360	310	LF	3,542,536	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,950	1,393
39	0	1	831	382	320	310	LF	3,542,538	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,837	1,448
40	0	3	831	382	320	300	LF	3,543,562	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,576	1,445
41	5	2	831	382	320	290	LF	3,543,701	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,657	1,447
42	10	0	831	382	320	270	LF	3,543,973	0.089	0.91	0.04	120,119	1,469
43	5	2	831	382	320	260	LF	3,544,132	0.089	0.91	0.04	121,086	1,483
44	0	1	831	382	320	250	LF	3,544,368	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,780	1,522
45	5	0	831	382	360	290	LF	3,544,730	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,434	1,399
46	5	2	831	382	320	300	LF	3,544,931	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,966	1,437
47	0	0	831	382	360	280	LF	3,544,997	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,556	1,431
48	5	0	831	382	360	300	LF	3,545,192	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,677	1,388
49	5	0	831	382	320	250	LF	3,545,229	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,125	1,513
50	5	0	831	382	360	310	LF	3,545,245	0.089	0.92	0.04	113,883	1,377
51	5	3	831	382	320	280	LF	3,545,683	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,052	1,454
52	0	1	831	382	360	290	LF	3,545,848	0.089	0.91	0.04	116,259	1,412
53	5	3	831	382	320	270	LF	3,545,955	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,873	1,466
54	0	1	831	382	360	300	LF	3,546,272	0.089	0.91	0.04	115,499	1,401
55	0	1	831	382	360	310	LF	3,546,356	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,708	1,390
56	10	1	831	382	320	280	LF	3,546,363	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,956	1,452
57	10	0	831	382	320	290	LF	3,546,457	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,741	1,448
58	5	1	831	382	320	310	LF	3,546,489	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,877	1,435
59	0	2	831	382	320	310	LF	3,546,549	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,612	1,445
60	5	0	831	382	360	280	LF	3,547,494	0.089	0.91	0.04	116,471	1,415
61	10	0	831	382	320	300	LF	3,547,669	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,048	1,438
62	10	0	831	382	320	260	LF	3,547,815	0.089	0.91	0.04	121,250	1,486
63	0	2	831	382	320	250	LF	3,548,200	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,539	1,519
64	0	3	831	382	320	310	LF	3,548,257	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,187	1,439
65	5	3	831	382	320	290	LF	3,548,288	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,481	1,445
66	0	0	831	382	360	320	LF	3,548,574	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,677	1,389

67	10	1	831	382	320	270	LF	3,548,616	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,949	1,467
68	0	1	831	382	360	280	LF	3,548,778	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,311	1,428
69	0	0	831	382	280	260	LF	3,549,083	0.089	0.91	0.04	128,423	1,592
70	0	1	831	382	280	260	LF	3,549,200	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,860	1,583
71	5	3	831	382	320	260	LF	3,549,244	0.089	0.91	0.04	120,956	1,482
72	5	3	831	382	320	300	LF	3,549,498	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,789	1,435
73	10	1	831	382	320	290	LF	3,549,588	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,439	1,444
74	0	0	831	382	320	320	LF	3,549,875	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,250	1,454
75	5	1	831	382	360	290	LF	3,550,205	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,336	1,398
76	5	1	831	382	360	300	LF	3,550,256	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,543	1,386
77	5	0	831	382	320	320	LF	3,550,304	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,985	1,436
78	5	1	831	382	360	310	LF	3,550,315	0.089	0.92	0.04	113,750	1,375
79	5	2	831	382	320	310	LF	3,550,356	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,639	1,432
80	0	3	831	382	320	250	LF	3,550,443	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,160	1,514
81	5	0	831	382	280	260	LF	3,550,775	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,267	1,576
82	10	1	831	382	320	300	LF	3,550,810	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,747	1,434
83	0	2	831	382	360	290	LF	3,550,840	0.089	0.91	0.04	116,119	1,410
84	15	0	831	382	320	280	LF	3,550,857	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,618	1,446
85	0	0	831	382	360	270	LF	3,551,056	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,879	1,451
86	0	0	831	382	280	270	LF	3,551,075	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,798	1,583
87	5	1	831	382	320	250	LF	3,551,109	0.089	0.91	0.04	123,062	1,513
88	0	2	831	382	280	260	LF	3,551,174	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,458	1,577
89	0	2	831	382	360	300	LF	3,551,280	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,360	1,399
90	0	2	831	382	360	310	LF	3,551,376	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,570	1,388
91	5	0	831	382	360	320	LF	3,551,407	0.089	0.92	0.04	113,621	1,373
92	5	1	831	382	280	260	LF	3,551,579	0.089	0.91	0.04	126,764	1,568
93	10	2	831	382	320	280	LF	3,551,620	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,839	1,451
94	0	1	831	382	320	320	LF	3,552,147	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,874	1,449
95	10	1	831	382	320	260	LF	3,552,410	0.089	0.91	0.04	121,075	1,484
96	0	1	831	382	360	320	LF	3,552,411	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,436	1,386
97	0	3	831	382	280	260	LF	3,552,622	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,011	1,570
98	10	2	831	382	320	270	LF	3,552,646	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,725	1,464
99	10	0	831	382	320	310	LF	3,552,730	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,690	1,433
100	0	2	831	382	360	280	LF	3,552,798	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,086	1,425
101	5	1	831	382	360	280	LF	3,553,009	0.089	0.91	0.04	116,376	1,414
102	15	0	831	382	320	270	LF	3,553,081	0.089	0.91	0.04	119,608	1,461
103	0	1	831	382	280	270	LF	3,553,554	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,441	1,577
104	5	0	831	382	360	270	LF	3,553,560	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,795	1,435

105	5	3	831	382	320	310	LF	3,554,123	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,393	1,429
106	5	2	831	382	320	250	LF	3,554,126	0.089	0.91	0.04	122,750	1,509
107	10	0	831	382	360	290	LF	3,554,127	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,947	1,393
108	0	3	831	382	360	290	LF	3,554,180	0.089	0.91	0.04	115,836	1,406
109	0	3	831	382	360	310	LF	3,554,216	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,244	1,383
110	0	0	831	382	280	250	LF	3,554,320	0.089	0.91	0.04	129,671	1,611
111	5	0	831	382	280	270	LF	3,554,342	0.089	0.91	0.04	126,779	1,569
112	0	1	831	382	360	270	LF	3,554,357	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,592	1,447
113	0	1	831	382	280	250	LF	3,554,380	0.089	0.91	0.04	129,106	1,602
114	5	2	831	382	360	290	LF	3,554,510	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,136	1,395
115	0	3	831	382	360	300	LF	3,554,618	0.089	0.92	0.04	115,076	1,395
116	0	0	831	382	280	280	LF	3,554,686	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,314	1,576
117	5	2	831	382	280	260	LF	3,554,734	0.089	0.91	0.04	126,464	1,564
118	10	2	831	382	320	290	LF	3,554,848	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,322	1,443
119	10	0	831	382	360	310	LF	3,554,906	0.089	0.92	0.04	113,419	1,371
120	15	0	831	382	320	290	LF	3,555,051	0.089	0.91	0.04	118,185	1,439
121	10	0	831	382	360	300	LF	3,555,349	0.089	0.92	0.04	114,255	1,383
122	15	0	831	382	320	300	LF	3,555,503	0.089	0.91	0.04	117,427	1,428
123	0	2	831	382	280	270	LF	3,555,504	0.089	0.91	0.04	127,037	1,571
124	0	2	831	382	280	250	LF	3,555,604	0.089	0.91	0.04	128,640	1,595
125	10	2	831	382	320	260	LF	3,555,648	0.089	0.91	0.04	120,783	1,480