

# Development of Cost Functions for Biological Treatment by Membrane Bio-Reactor

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## *Graphical abstract*



## **Abstract**

One of the space-saving and alternative options for wastewater treatment is the use of Membrane Bio-Reactor. This paper delineates the sequential approach to explore integrated cost functions for estimation of the forecast level cost for biological treatment of wastewater by use of Membrane Bio-Reactor. The cost functions for capacity wise small range, medium range and large range groups of wastewater treatment plants with Membrane Bio-Reactor have been developed based on process design and cost estimation. It has been established through regression analysis that they are

21 best expressed by polynomial equations. Validation of cost functions has been executed by  
22 assessment of mean absolute percentage errors. The respective determination coefficients in respect  
23 of cost functions for capacity wise small range, medium range and large range are 1, 0.9995 and  
24 0.9996. The respective mean absolute percentage errors with reference to the cost functions for  
25 capacity wise three different ranges are 0.18 %, 0.82 % and 0.63 %. In each case the value of mean  
26 absolute percentage error is well below 10 %. This study has established that accurate forecast  
27 level cost may be arrived by integrated cost functions developed for capacity wise three different  
28 groups of wastewater treatment plants with Membrane Bio-Reactor.

29 **Keywords:** Determination Coefficient, Mean Absolute Percentage Error, Regression Analysis, Cost  
30 Function

## 31 **1. Introduction**

### 32 *1.1. BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY*

33 Growth of industries across the developing countries has raised the need of water supply at  
34 significant level. The quality of such water supply is also a concern to promote the growth of  
35 industries. On the other side, enormous growth of population has resulted huge amount of  
36 wastewater discharge into the environment. In most of the countries, river is the source of major  
37 water supply and in many cases community wastewaters without any treatment are discharged into  
38 it. Several initiatives are adopted at government level to protect the quality of river water source by  
39 installation of wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). In India, Namami Ganga Projects are under  
40 implementation phase to prevent the river pollution through construction of new WWTPs.

41 Treatment of wastewater by use of Membrane Bio-Reactor (MBR) produces high quality of treated  
42 water. Therefore MBR may be considered as an effective option to cater the requirement of water  
43 supply for industries as addressed above. MBR technology is an integrated hook-up of activated  
44 sludge process (ASP) and membrane filtration. It does not call for the requirements of primary  
45 clarifier and secondary clarifier as envisaged for conventional ASP. Thus use of this MBR  
46 technology reduces the requirement of space for installation of WWTP. It has wide application for  
47 municipal and industrial wastewater treatment. Technologies like moving bed biofilm reactor

48 (MBBR) and sequential batch reactor (SBR) also require lesser footprints compared to ASP and  
49 produce quality treated wastewater (Manual on Sewerage and Sewage Treatment Systems published  
50 by CPHEEO in collaboration with JICA).

51 It is a fact that large vacant piece of land required for construction of WWTPs based on  
52 conventional technologies is now seldom available in dense urban area. This constraint may be  
53 more or less managed by constructions of WWTPs with space-saving technologies. The task of  
54 selection of most suited and economic option among space-saving MBR, MBBR & SBR  
55 technologies in respect of wastewater treatment at a particular site is truly a challenging exercise.  
56 Therefore, a suitable approach that would determine or estimate the rapid forecast level cost with  
57 adequate accuracy for WWTP with each of the above technologies appears to be very much  
58 necessary and beneficial.

## 59 *1.2. SHORT REVIEW OF THE PERTINENT LITERATURE*

60 Literature review in reference to the subject investigation work reveals that a number of earlier  
61 studies have been undertaken since last fifty years in connection with cost functions for construction  
62 as well as operation of WWTPs (Acampa *et al.*, 2019; Arif *et al.*, 2020; Balmer and Mattson, 1994;  
63 Doherty, 2017; Gillot *et al.*, 1999; Gratziou *et al.*, 2006; Jafarinejad, 2016; Koul and John, 2015;  
64 McNamara, 2018; Nogueira *et al.*, 2007; Papadopoulos *et al.*, 2007; Qasim *et al.*, 1992; Sekandari,  
65 2019; Shah and Reid, 1970; Singhirunnusorn and Stenstrom, 2010; Yengejeh *et al.*, 2014). A cost  
66 function is an expression used to predict how expenses will change at different input levels to a  
67 system. There are miscellaneous methods which have been addressed to develop cost functions for  
68 forecasting costs of WWTPs. Gratziou *et al.* (2006) compared the total costs for several small scale  
69 sewage treatment systems. They calculated costs for construction and operation based on functions  
70 for cost elements available in literature. By use of CapdetWorks, Jafarinejad (2016) estimated the  
71 costs for conventional activated sludge, extended aeration activated sludge and sequencing batch  
72 reactor systems in Tehran - Iran for a comparative analysis. Koul and John (2015) presented Life  
73 Cycle Cost Analysis for Up-flow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket Reactor, SBR and MBBR based on

74 available information from different existing WWTPs. Papadopoulos *et al.* (2007) collected data for  
75 land requirement, costs of construction, operation and maintenance of existing wastewater treatment  
76 facilities. They developed twelve equations applying ordinary least squares and fuzzy linear  
77 regression techniques. Shah and Reid (1970) developed cost functions for WWTP based on  
78 feedback survey over 563 plants located in 48 states in USA. Based on cost data collected from a  
79 number of municipal WWTPs, Singhirunnusorn and Stenstrom (2010) proposed cost functions to  
80 assess activated sludge, oxidation ditches, aerated lagoons and waste stabilization ponds to assess  
81 costs for land, construction, operation and maintenance in Thailand.

82 From the review of various published literatures it is observed that in most of the cases the cost  
83 functions for construction, operation and maintenance of WWTPs as reported are on the basis of  
84 country or location specific historic cost data (recorded, published & available data) for  
85 conventional technologies (Koul and John, 2015; Papadopoulos *et al.*, 2007; Shah and Reid, 1970;  
86 Singhirunnusorn and Stenstrom, 2010; Yengejeh *et al.*, 2014). Some of the investigators (Arif *et al.*,  
87 2020; Jafarinejad, 2016) used CapdetWorks software for selection of conventional technologies  
88 with respect to specific inflow rate of wastewater. However a rational approach for development of  
89 cost functions based on technology specific engineering design and cost estimation over a capacity  
90 range has not been noted in the literatures. Few numbers of additional studies with reference to cost  
91 functions for space-saving MBBR & SBR technologies as low foot print systems are presented in  
92 the literatures (Jafarinejad, 2016; Koul and John, 2015).

### 93 1.3. ORIGINALITY OR NOVELTY OF THE RESEARCH

94 With due consideration of the gap as noticed from literature review and aiming to present a rational  
95 base, a novel research initiative is required to develop a tool for basic engineering and forecasting  
96 cost by means of cost functions on the basis of realistic estimation in detail for space-saving  
97 technologies based WWTPs without applying any historic cost. It appears to be very much  
98 meaningful, rational and useful in respect of location across any country for practical purpose  
99 especially for decision making process by the vendors and owner of plants. Space-saving

100 technologies have been given due importance in respect of usual space constraints in urban areas.  
101 One of the space-saving technologies available, MBR has been focused in the present paper as  
102 MBR technology in many cases has been referred as preferential wastewater treatment technology  
103 over ASP - the conventional technology used over a long period of time. MBR is regarded as an  
104 important innovation since it does not require secondary clarifier and therefore can eliminate the  
105 necessity of a large space. MBRs are suitable for use in both municipal as well as industrial  
106 wastewater treatment which is an integrated system comprised of conventional biological treatment  
107 system and membrane filtration – known as hybrid bioreactor. Use of MBR technology enables to  
108 achieve advantages over ASP as follows:

- 109 ■ Superior quality of treated effluent
- 110 ■ Higher volumetric loading rates
- 111 ■ Reduced hydraulic retention times
- 112 ■ Extended solid retention times
- 113 ■ Nitrification and Denitrification due to higher solid retention times and high bacterial  
114 removal efficiency.

115 Use of membrane filtration eliminates the need for secondary clarifiers and thus reduces the  
116 requirement of plant area in a significant manner. However, the MBR technology encompasses few  
117 limitations like higher energy consumption vis-à-vis cost, membrane fouling problems and high  
118 maintenance costs for periodic replacement of membranes. A set of cost functions for BOD removal  
119 in MBR over wide range of capacity for estimation of capital cost and cost of energy requirement,  
120 operation as well as maintenance over 25 years have been derived by application of regression  
121 techniques in the present paper. The derived cost functions are believed to be very useful henceforth  
122 for comparative assessment of technologies available for construction of new WWTPs.

#### 123 *1.4. RESEARCH OBJECTIVES*

124 In general wastewater is treated in successive stages such as primary, secondary and treatment of  
125 biological sludge for safe disposal into the environment. Methods of treatment of wastewater in grit

126 chambers and that of biological sludge are relatively same in most of the cases and the domain of  
127 alternatives for such treatment is very restricted. Therefore the cost of such treatment for a specific  
128 input rate of wastewater and biological load will remain more or less same for each of space saving  
129 technologies under concern. However cost of biological treatment will depend upon the kind of the  
130 bio-reactor technology chosen for obtaining desired results in respect of safe discharge in the  
131 outfall. Thus it may be prudent to conclude that the comparison among the costs of bio-reactors  
132 along with pre-treatment and post-treatment facilities as necessary will enable to select the most  
133 suitable technology for a specific case. The approach for development of a tool in respect of rapid  
134 estimation for life cycle cost of biological treatment in a WWTP with MBR technology has been  
135 delineated hereinafter.

## 136 **2. Materials and methods**

### 137 *2.1 CAPACITY GROUPS*

138 Economy of scale is applicable in case of WWTP. In general, unit cost of WWTP decreases with  
139 increase in capacity. It is not appropriate to envisage a single cost function over a wide range of  
140 capacity range. WWTPs have been categorised capacity wise in multiple groups viz. small (0.5 –  
141 5.0 MLD), medium (5.0 – 50.0 MLD) and large (50.0 – 150.0 MLD).

### 142 *2.2 DESIGN INPUT QUALITY OF WASTEWATER*

143 The characteristics of raw wastewater depend on rate of water supply and pollution load per capita.  
144 The design concentrations of impurities in raw wastewater based on water supply @ 135 lit / cap /  
145 day are exhibited in Table 1 (Manual on Sewerage and Sewage Treatment Systems published by  
146 CPHEEO in collaboration with JICA).

147 **Table 1.** Design input quality of Wastewater at inlet to WWTP

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>
Biological oxygen demand ( <b>BOD</b> )	250.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Chemical oxygen demand ( <b>COD</b> )	425.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>

Volatile suspended solids ( <b>VSS</b> )	262.50	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Total suspended solids ( <b>TSS</b> )	375.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Ammonia Nitrogen ( <b>NH<sub>4</sub>-N</b> )	32.50	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Organic nitrogen ( <b>ON</b> )	17.50	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Nitrate Nitrogen ( <b>NO<sub>3</sub>-N</b> )	5.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Total kjeldahl nitrogen ( <b>TKN</b> )	50.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Total phosphorous ( <b>TP</b> )	7.10	g / m <sup>3</sup>

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149 **2.3 DESIGN TREATED QUALITY OF WASTEWATER**

150 The stipulations established by the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) of the Government  
 151 of India (GOI) have been considered as the treated water quality. These are enlisted hereinafter for  
 152 ready reference:

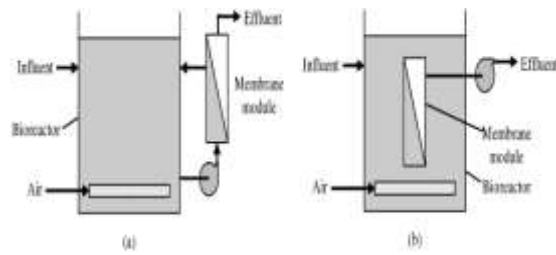
153 **Table 2.** Design treated wastewater quality

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>
Biological oxygen demand ( <b>BOD</b> ) - design limit	10.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Total suspended solids ( <b>TSS</b> )	10.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>

154 **2.4 TREATMENT PROCESS CONSIDERED**

155 MBR technology comprises of activated sludge process and membrane separation process. In  
 156 general low pressure membranes are used. Membranes are kept submerged in the reactor itself or  
 157 otherwise in a separate chamber to promote separation of solids from the liquid. Primary  
 158 sedimentation tank, final sedimentation tank and disinfection facilities are not required to be  
 159 installed in this process. A schematic for MBR Process Cycle is reproduced below:





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161 **Figure 1.** MBR Process Cycle

162 A typical arrangement for membranes is furnished below:



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164 **Figure 2.** View of MBR Membranes

165 **2.5 DESIGN PARAMETERS FOR MBBR**

166 The design parameters as envisaged for biological treatment in MBR based WWTPs are tabulated  
167 hereinafter as shown in Table 3 (Metcalf & Eddy Inc, Wastewater Engineering, Treatment and  
168 Reuse, Fourth Edition, McGraw Hill):

169 **Table 3.** Design parameters as adopted for biological treatment in WWTPs

Parameters	Value	Unit
Peak factor	2.25	
Lean Factor	0.45	

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171 **Table 3.** Design parameters as adopted for biological treatment in WWTPs (continued)

Parameters	Value	Unit
Thickener overflow return as fraction of plant flow	0.15	
BOD in thickener overflow return	500.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Centrate from sludge dewatering as fraction of	0.0060	



plant flow

BOD in centrate from sludge dewatering return	380.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
BOD <sub>u</sub> /VSS	1.42	g BOD / g VSS
BOD <sub>5</sub> / BOD <sub>u</sub>	0.67	

***Kinetic parameters for BOD removal***

Reference temperature for kinetic parameters	20.00	deg C
Half Velocity Constant	20.00	g bs COD / m <sup>3</sup> (g VSS / g
Maximum specific bacterial growth rate	6.00	VSS) / d
Endogenous Decay Co-efficient	0.06	(g VSS / g VSS) / d
True Yield Co-efficient	0.3125	g VSS / g b COD
	0.5000	g VSS / g BOD
Fraction of biomass that remains as cell debris	0.15	

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**Table 3:** Design parameters as adopted for biological treatment in WWTPs (continued)

<b>Parameters</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>
<b><i>θ values</i></b>		
Temperature activity co-efficient for K <sub>s</sub>	1.00	
Temperature activity co-efficient for μ <sub>m</sub>	1.07	
Temperature activity co-efficient for k <sub>d</sub>	1.04	
<b><i>Other data</i></b>		
Design temperature of reactor basin	12.00	deg C
Design MLSS	8000.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>

Ratio of VSS to TSS	0.70	
Design MLVSS	5600.00	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Percentage clean water oxygen transfer efficiency (for fine bubble ceramic diffusers)	35.00	%
Elevation at site	9.00	m
Atmospheric pressure at elevation of site	95.60	kPa
Effective liquid depth in reactor basin	4.07	m
Point of air release for ceramic diffusers from bottom of reactor basin	0.50	m
Standard temperature	20.00	deg C
Concentration of dissolved oxygen at standard temperature & pressure of 101325 N/m <sup>2</sup>	9.08	g / m <sup>3</sup>
Aeration $\alpha$ factor for BOD removal	0.50	
Salinity & surface tension correction factor for both conditions i. e. BOD removal	0.95	
Diffuser fouling factor	0.90	
Percentage (by weight) of oxygen in air	23.20	%

175 **Table 3:** Design parameters as adopted for biological treatment in WWTPs (continued)

Parameters	Value	Unit
Density of air	1.20	kg / m <sup>3</sup>
Oxygen transfer efficiency	8.00	%
Factor of safety	2.00	
Oxygen consumption	1.42	mg / mg of cell

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177 **2.6 COMPONENTS OF WWTPS**

178 The major equipment and accessories as required for MBR based WWTP are enlisted below:

- 179 ■ Reaction Basins & Accessories
- 180 ■ Membrane Chambers & Accessories
- 181 ■ Reactor Basin Waste Transfer Pumps and Pump-House
- 182 ■ Internal Recirculation Pumps and Pump-House
- 183 ■ Mixed Liquor Recirculation Pumps and Pump-House
- 184 ■ Blowers and Blower Building

185 Primary Clarifiers and Secondary Clarifiers are not required for WWTPs with MBR.

## 186 2.7 DESIGN, DETAILING AND COST ESTIMATION

187 A model as delineated below has been developed in Microsoft Excel Spread Sheets to execute the  
188 tasks of designs and estimations for WWTPs with MBR:

- 189 ■ Process design and sizing of the major equipment and accessories based on adopted  
190 design criteria.
- 191 ■ Preparation of bill of quantities for the construction of designed equipment by  
192 application of algorithms assigned for basins with diffused aeration, pumping and  
193 blowers as furnished in CAPDET – USEPA (1982).
- 194 ■ Cost estimation of civil works (earthwork, R.C. wall in-place, R.C. slab in-place and  
195 handrails in-place) for each of all major equipment by use of Schedule of Rates (latest  
196 publication) of Public Works Department (PWD), Government of India (2021).
- 197 ■ Cost estimation of non-scheduled mechanical as well as electrical equipment with  
198 applicable accessories based on rates collected from vendors. A contingency @ 10 % to  
199 account for the minor cost items such as liquid piping system, control equipment,  
200 painting, site cleaning, site preparation, etc has been duly incorporated within the  
201 model.
- 202 ■ Determination of capital expenditure (CAPEX) and operation expenditure (OPEX) for  
203 energy consumption, operation and maintenance for 25 years of life of WWTP. Cost of

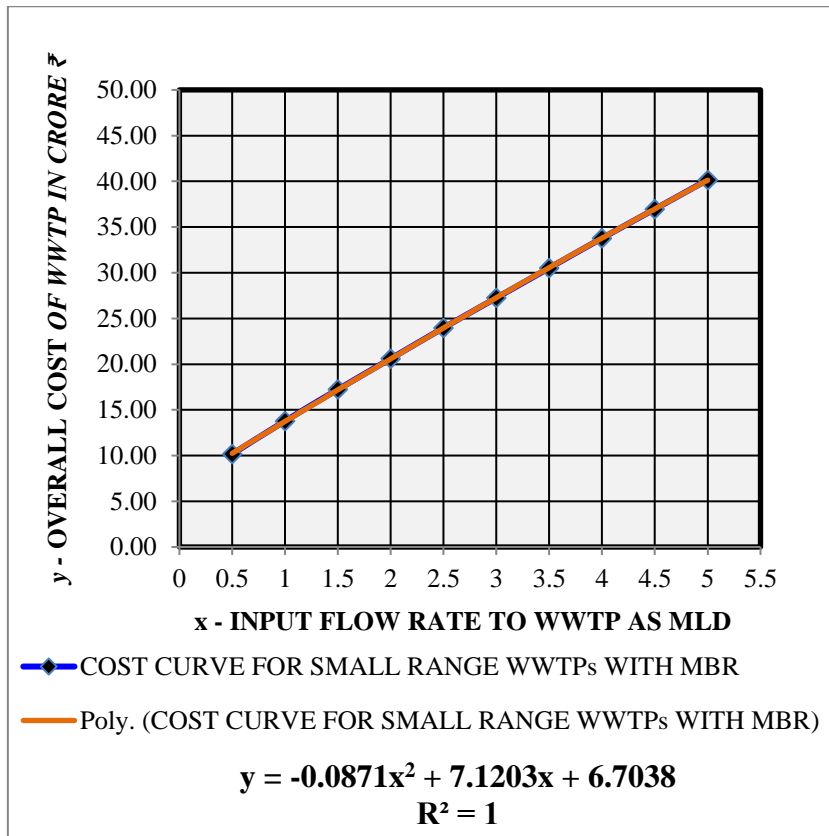
204 land required for installation of the complete system has been duly incorporated within  
205 the model.

206 The model developed requires input data such as design capacity of WWTP in MLD,  
207 concentrations of BOD<sub>5</sub>, SS of raw wastewater and the design treated effluent BOD<sub>5</sub> and SS. The  
208 developed model projects the overall cost (inclusive of CAPEX, OPEX and required land with 2021  
209 considered as base year) of MBR based WWTP for biological treatment.

### 210 **3. Results and Discussion**

211 Model algorithms developed in Microsoft Excel (2010) for detail design and estimation have been  
212 used to generate data sets for different groups comprised of plant capacities [at the capacity interval  
213 of 0.5 MLD for small group, 5 MLD for medium group and 10 MLD for large group as stated in  
214 section 2.1] and respective integrated costs inclusive of capital cost, operation as well as  
215 maintenance cost and cost of land. A summary of results derived for medium group only is  
216 presented in Annexure - 1 for typical reference.

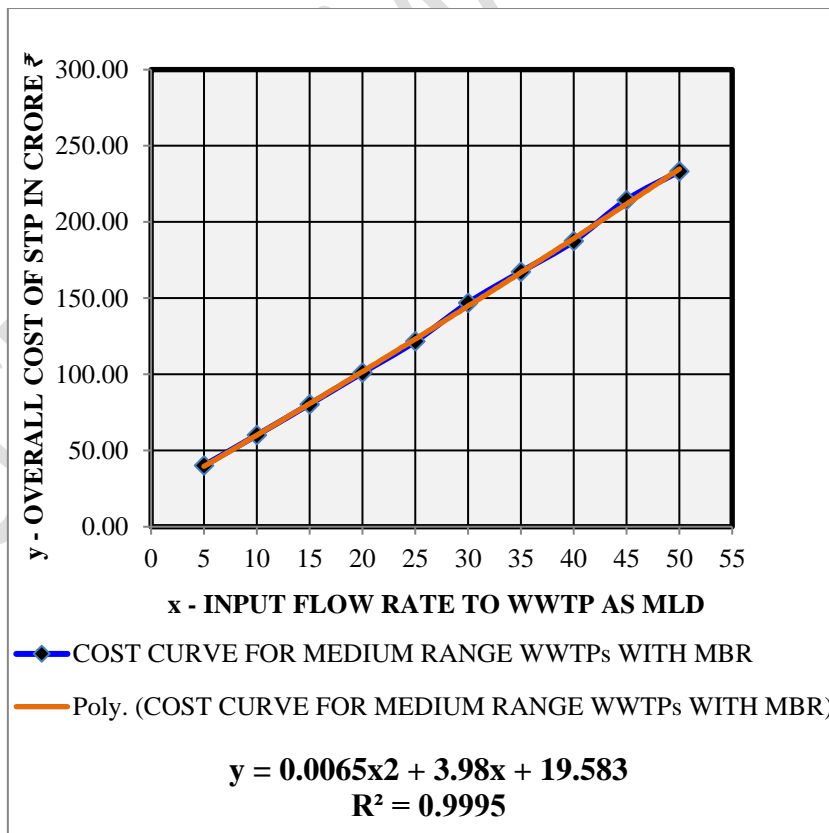
217 Regression analysis of data sets for each range has been made based on different equations (viz.,  
218 exponential, linear, logarithmic, polynomial and power). The cost curves with the capacities of  
219 WWTPs [as MLD] along X-axis and integrated costs of biological treatment [as ₹ (crore)] along Y-  
220 axis are plotted in Figures 3 through 5 for small, medium and large capacity range respectively.  
221 These plotted curves display the regression equations (shown within the figures) which correspond  
222 to maximum determination coefficient R<sup>2</sup> out of the above five types and these equations  
223 represent the cost functions for three different groups.



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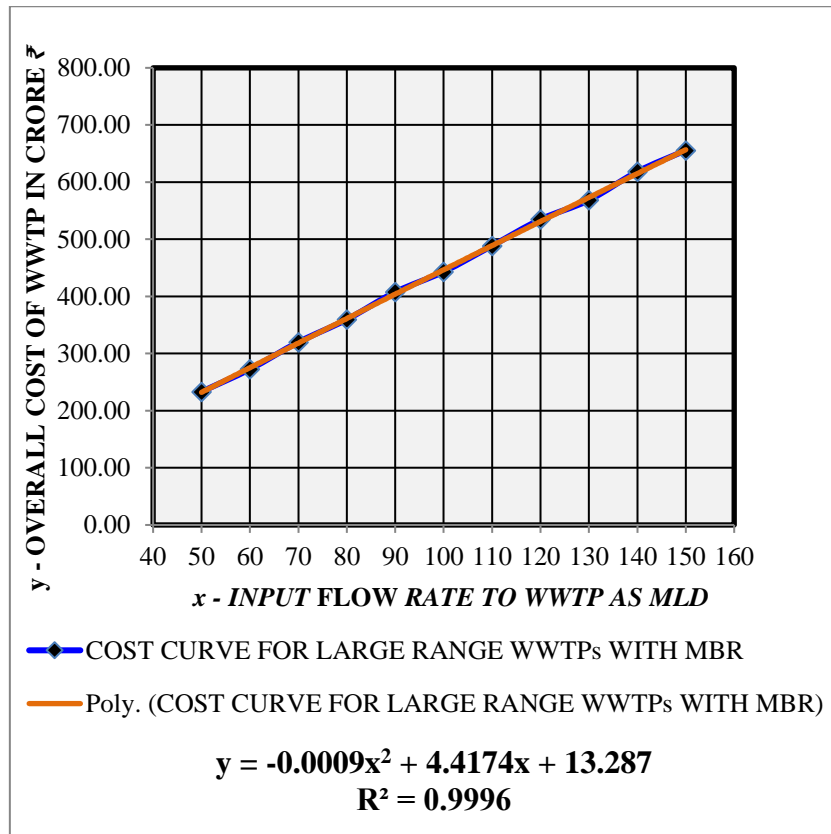
**Figure 3.** Cost Curve for Small Range WWTPs with MBR



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**Figure 4.** Cost Curve for Medium Range WWTPs with MBR



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**Figure 5.** Cost Curve for Large Range WWTPs with MBR

230 The cost functions have been validated through comparison between predicted value and the  
 231 respective estimated cost. Mean Absolute Percentage Error has been determined to assess the  
 232 accuracy of predicted cost. MAPE is calculated as follows:

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$$MAPE = \sum \{(|A-F|/A)*100\}/N$$

234 Where A= Estimated cost, F= Forecasted cost by use of cost function as determined, N= Number of  
 235 elements in the data set.

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The value of MAPE corresponds to the accuracy of prediction as follows:

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**Table 4.** Interpretation of MAPE

MAPE	Interpretation
< 10	Accurate forecasting result
10 -20	Good forecasting result
20 - 50	Reasonable forecasting result

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239 The cost functions for capacity wise three different groups of WWTPs with MBR are furnished  
 240 below:

241 **Table 5.** Cost Functions for Different Groups of WWTPs

<i>Description</i>	<i>Equation</i>	<i>Value of R<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>Value of MAPE</i>
Cost function for small range WWTPs (0.5 MLD – 5 MLD)	$C_{SR} = -0.0871*(Q_{SR}^2) + 7.1203*Q_{SR} + 6.7038$	1.0000	0.18

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245 **Table 5.** Cost Functions for Different Groups of WWTPs (continued)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Equation</i>	<i>Value of R<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>Value of MAPE</i>
Cost function for medium range WWTPs (5 MLD – 50 MLD)	$C_{MR} = 0.0065*(Q_{MR}^2) + 3.9800*Q_{MR} + 19.583$	0.9995	0.82
Cost function for large range WWTPs (50 MLD – 150 MLD)	$C_{LR} = -0.0009*(Q_{LR}^2) + 4.4174 *Q_{LR} + 13.287$	0.9996	0.63

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Where,

- $C_{SR}$  - Cost [₹ (in crore)] of a WWTP within small range
- $Q_{SR}$  - Input flow rate [in MLD] for a WWTP within small range
- $C_{MR}$  - Cost [₹ (in crore)] of a WWTP within medium range
- $Q_{MR}$  - Input flow rate [in MLD] for a WWTP within medium range
- $C_{LR}$  - Cost [₹ (in crore)] of a WWTP within large range
- $Q_{LR}$  - Input flow rate [in MLD] for a WWTP within large range

247 As furnished above, the cost functions for capacity wise three different groups of WWTPs with  
248 MBR are best expressed by polynomial equations. The respective determination coefficients in  
249 respect of cost functions for capacity wise small range, medium range and large range are 1, 0.9995  
250 and 0.9996. The respective values of MAPE with reference to the cost functions for capacity wise  
251 small range, medium range and large range are 0.18 %, 0.82 % and 0.63 %. In no case the value of  
252 MAPE has exceeded 10 %.

#### 253 **4. Conclusions**

254 It is concluded that accurate forecast level cost as applicable in India could be arrived by integrated  
255 cost functions developed for capacity wise three different groups of WWTPs with MBR.

256 Approach with basic engineering design and cost estimations based on schedule of rates enables to  
257 achieve the high level of accuracy. Difficulties and time frame required for collection of historic  
258 cost data is not an attributing problem. The procedure as addressed in this study may be adopted to  
259 develop cost functions applicable for any region either based on use of region specific schedule of  
260 rates for accurate forecast or adjustment of projected costs (by cost functions developed) based on  
261 use of concerned country specific currency conversion factor for approximate forecast.

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## Annexure – 1. A summary of results derived for medium group of WWTPs with MBR technology

<b>DESIGN SUMMARY FOR MEMBRANE BIOLOGICAL REACTOR BASED SYSTEM</b>											
<b>BOD REMOVAL</b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Design parameter</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
Average wastewater flow rate	m <sup>3</sup> /d	5000.0	10000.0	15000.0	20000.0	25000.0	30000.0	35000.0	40000.0	45000.0	50000.0
Influent flow rate to reactor basins	m <sup>3</sup> /d	5780.0	11560.0	17340.0	23120.0	28900.0	34680.0	40460.0	46240.0	52020.0	57800.0
Average BOD load	kg/d	1636.4	3272.8	4909.2	6545.6	8182.0	9818.4	11454.8	13091.2	14727.6	16364.0
Number of reactor basins	number	2	3	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6
Aerobic solids residence time - design value	d	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Total volume of each reactor basin	m <sup>3</sup>	507.97	677.29	761.95	1015.93	1269.91	1523.90	1185.25	1354.57	1523.90	1693.22
Hydraulic detention time of each reactor basin	h	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22	4.22
MLSS (X <sub>MLSS</sub> )	g TSS/m <sup>3</sup>	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00	8000.00
MLVSS (X <sub>MLVSS</sub> )	g VSS/m <sup>3</sup>	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14	3400.14
F/M	(g BOD/d)/g bVSS	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47
Volumetric BOD loading	(kg BOD/d)/m <sup>3</sup>	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61
Total sludge (TSS) purged per day	kg TSS/d	1625.49	3250.98	4876.47	6501.95	8127.44	9752.93	11378.42	13003.91	14629.40	16254.88

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		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Design parameter</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
Observed yield based on VSS	g b VSS/g bCOD	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29
	g b VSS/g BOD	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.47
Observed yield based on TSS	g TSS/g bCOD	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62
	g TSS/g BOD	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Overall oxygen demand	kg oxygen/h	67.86	135.71	203.57	271.42	339.28	407.13	474.99	542.85	610.70	678.56
Air flow rate at average wastewater flow rate	m <sup>3</sup> /min	57.84	115.68	173.52	231.36	289.20	347.04	404.88	462.72	520.56	578.40
RAS recycle ratio	-	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93
Concentration of BOD of effluent	g/m <sup>3</sup>	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66	9.66
Concentration of TSS of effluent	g/m <sup>3</sup>	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Concentration of NH <sub>4</sub> -N of effluent	g/m <sup>3</sup>	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95	40.95
Concentration of NO <sub>3</sub> -N of effluent	g/m <sup>3</sup>	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5	≤ 5

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<b>EQUIPMENT SUMMARY FOR MEMBRANE BIOLOGICAL REACTOR BASED SYSTEM</b>											
<b>BOD REMOVAL</b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
Number of batteries		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>AEROBIC REACTOR BASINS &amp; ACCESSORIES</b>											
Number of reactor basins		2	3	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6
Length of each reactor basin	m	13.64	18.19	20.46	27.28	34.11	40.93	31.83	36.38	40.93	45.47
Width of each reactor basin	m	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.14
Depth of each reactor basin	m	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57
Number of swing arm headers of each reactor basin		5	6	7	9	11	14	11	12	14	15
<b>MEMBRANE CHAMBERS &amp; ACCESSORIES</b>											
Number of membrane chambers		2	3	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6
Length of each membrane chamber	m	8.29	8.29	8.29	10.46	12.63	16.04	12.01	13.87	16.04	16.97
Width of each membrane chamber	m	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.26
Depth of each membrane chamber	m	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57	4.57
Number of membrane modules provided for membrane chambers		528	792	1056	1344	1632	2016	2304	2592	3024	3312



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<b><i>BOD REMOVAL</i></b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b><i>MIXED LIQUOR RECIRCULATION PUMPS AND PUMP-HOUSE</i></b>											
Total number of pumps required		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Capacity of each pump	m <sup>3</sup> /h	480.00	950.00	1420.00	1890.00	2360.00	2830.00	3300.00	3770.00	4240.00	2360.00
Area required for pump house	m <sup>2</sup>	65.00	71.00	76.00	82.00	87.00	93.00	98.00	104.00	109.00	115.00
<b><i>BLOWERS AND BLOWER BUILDING</i></b>											
Total number of blowers required		2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	5
Capacity of each blower	scfm	2347.00	4569.00	6791.00	4512.00	5629.00	6768.00	5257.00	6001.00	6768.00	5635.00
Area required for blower building	m <sup>2</sup>	87.00	103.00	114.00	123.00	130.00	136.00	142.00	147.00	151.00	155.00

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<b>ESTIMATED COST SUMMARY FOR MEMBRANE BIOLOGICAL REACTOR BASED SYSTEM</b>											
<b>BOD REMOVAL</b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>AEROBIC REACTOR BASINS &amp; ACCESSORIES</b>											
CAPEX	Crore ₹	11.29	17.20	23.31	29.72	36.11	44.38	50.68	56.97	66.15	72.42
OPEX	Crore ₹	7.01	11.15	15.29	19.42	23.49	27.87	31.81	35.72	40.11	43.95
CAPEX & OPEX	Crore ₹	18.30	28.34	38.60	49.14	59.60	72.25	82.49	92.68	106.26	116.37
<b>MEMBRANE CHAMBERS &amp; ACCESSORIES</b>											
CAPEX	Crore ₹	10.86	16.24	21.65	27.47	33.30	41.09	46.94	52.79	61.53	67.34
OPEX	Crore ₹	4.26	5.46	6.67	7.95	9.19	10.92	12.07	13.23	15.03	16.08
CAPEX & OPEX	Crore ₹	15.12	21.70	28.31	35.42	42.49	52.00	59.01	66.01	76.57	83.42
<b>MIXED LIQUOR RECIRCULATION PUMPS AND PUMP-HOUSE</b>											
CAPEX	Crore ₹	1.14	1.38	1.72	2.16	2.61	3.08	3.56	4.05	4.55	3.76
OPEX	Crore ₹	1.48	2.69	3.91	5.14	6.36	7.58	8.80	10.01	11.23	12.35
CAPEX & OPEX	Crore ₹	2.62	4.07	5.63	7.29	8.97	10.66	12.36	14.07	15.78	16.12
<b>BLOWERS AND BLOWER BUILDING</b>											
CAPEX	Crore ₹	2.76	3.91	4.83	5.54	6.26	6.92	7.78	8.38	8.96	9.88
<b>ESTIMATED CONSOLIDATED COSTS</b>											
CAPEX	Crore ₹	26.05	38.72	51.51	64.89	78.28	95.47	108.96	122.18	141.19	153.41
OPEX	Crore ₹	12.75	19.30	25.87	32.51	39.03	46.37	52.68	58.95	66.37	72.38
CAPEX & OPEX	Crore ₹	38.80	58.02	77.37	97.40	117.32	141.84	161.64	181.14	207.57	225.79
<b>COST OF LAND</b>											
Cost of land	Crore ₹	1.36	2.06	3.04	3.68	4.32	5.01	5.64	6.26	6.89	7.46
<b>OVERALL COST</b>											
Overall cost	Crore ₹	40.16	60.09	80.41	101.08	121.64	146.85	167.28	187.39	214.46	233.24
Overall cost	Million \$	5.02	7.51	10.05	12.64	15.20	18.36	20.91	23.42	26.81	29.16

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<b>REGRESSION ANALYSIS AND DETERMINATION OF MAPE</b>											
<b>BOD REMOVAL</b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
<i>(as per exponential cost function)</i>											
Predicted value	Crore ₹	51.38	61.88	74.53	89.77	108.12	130.22	156.85	188.91	227.53	274.04
Value of R <sup>2</sup>		0.9521									
Absolute percentage error	%	27.93	2.99	7.31	11.19	11.11	11.32	6.24	0.81	6.09	17.49
MAPE	%	10.25									
<i>(as per linear cost function)</i>											
Predicted value	Crore ₹	37.71	59.38	81.06	102.74	124.42	146.10	167.78	189.46	211.14	232.82
Value of R <sup>2</sup>		0.9991									
Absolute percentage error	%	6.12	1.17	0.81	1.64	2.29	0.51	0.30	1.10	1.55	0.18
MAPE	%	1.57									
<i>(as per logarithmic cost function)</i>											
Predicted value	Crore ₹	7.37	66.06	100.39	124.75	143.64	159.08	172.13	183.43	193.40	202.33
Value of R <sup>2</sup>		0.8933									
Absolute percentage error	%	81.64	9.94	24.84	23.41	18.09	8.33	2.90	2.11	9.82	13.26
MAPE	%	19.43									

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<b>REGRESSION ANALYSIS AND DETERMINATION OF MAPE</b>											
<b>BOD REMOVAL</b>											
		<b>Capacity in mld</b>									
		<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Value</b>
<i>(as per polynomial cost function)</i>											
Predicted value	Crore ₹	39.65	60.03	80.75	101.78	123.15	144.83	166.85	189.18	211.85	234.83
Value of R <sup>2</sup>		0.9995									
Absolute percentage error	%	1.29	0.09	0.41	0.70	1.24	1.37	0.26	0.95	1.22	0.68
MAPE	%	0.82									
<i>(as per power cost function)</i>											
Predicted value	Crore ₹	36.34	62.53	85.90	107.60	128.14	147.80	166.76	185.14	203.03	220.49
Value of R <sup>2</sup>		0.9903									
Absolute percentage error	%	9.52	4.07	6.82	6.45	5.34	0.65	0.31	1.20	5.33	5.47
MAPE	%	4.52									

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Where

CAPEX : Total bare construction cost

OPEX : Levelized cost based on energy requirement, operation and maintenance for 25 years of life of STP

MAPE : Mean absolute percentage error

R : Determination coefficient

Conversion rate : 80.00 ₹ is equivalent to 1.00 \$

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