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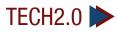
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SATELLITE RADAR FOR LEAK DETECTION IN SMART CITY UDAIPUR: ADVANCEMENTS IN PIPELINE MONITORING AND LOCALIZATION

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Abstract:

This technological investigation delves into the capabilities of leak detection engineering based on satellite radar reflectometry and its confluence with SCADA systems. The focus of this study area is the pipeline infrastructure extending from Jaisamand lake to Titardi in the Udaipur District, with an aim to evaluate the benefits, challenges, and prospective advancements of this remote leak detection technology. The projecthighlights its imperative role in enhancing water conservation, facilitating risk anticipation, and augmenting infrastructural quality, thereby providing a broader perspective on its potential relevance to the pipeline operation and maintenance project.

Introduction

Udaipur, known as the "City of Lakes," faces a critical issue with its water infrastructure due to numerous detected leaks, impacting the availability and quality of water for residents and visitors. A collaborative project between the Udaipur Municipal Corporation, PHED and Aumsat Technologies LLP was initiated to inspect the 600 mm diameter pipeline connecting Jaisamand Lake to Titardi Water Treatment Filter Plant in Udaipur city. The 52.8 km pipeline, constructed in 1995 is supported by four pumping stations, transports 525m/minute of water to the Titardi plant daily. Over a three-month period from January 1, 2023, to March 20, 2023, satellite radar technology effectively examined the

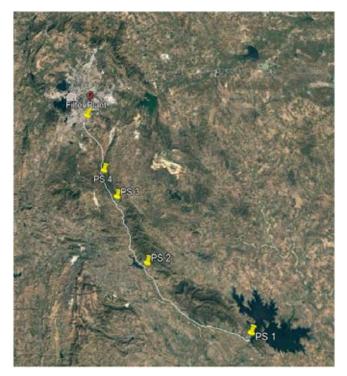


Image 1: Jaisamand to Udaipur Pipeline



Pump Station 1



Pump Station 3



Pump Station 2



Pump Station 4



Water Treatment Plant



pipeline, identifying 11 leak points and validating the leak detection methodology's effectiveness.

This technological advancement sheds light on the importance of addressing these leaks and their adverse impact on Udaipur's water supply. It also highlights the necessary measures to rectify the situation. Notably, a cost-effective remote solution has played a significant role,

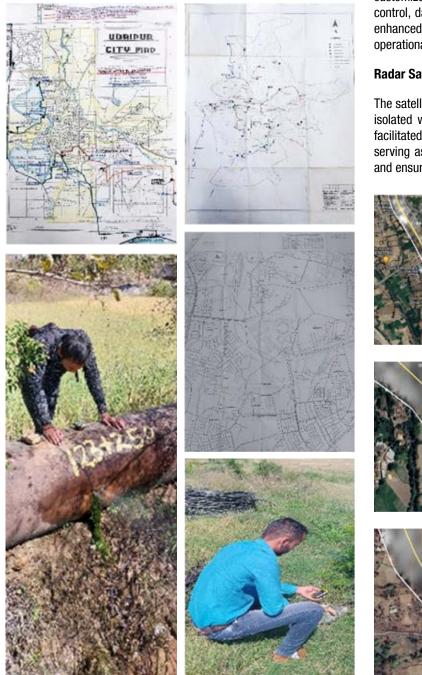


Image 2: Digitalization of Pipeline Maps

resulting in substantial cost savings of approximately 75% in logistical and economic aspects.

Pipeline Digitalization and SCADA integration

The Jaisamand-Udaipur pipeline, constructed in 1995, was transitioned from hardcopy paper maps to digital maps through scanning, GPS surveys, and geocoding. These digitized maps were integrated into a customized SCADA system, enabling real-time monitoring, remote control, data analysis, asset management, regulatory compliance, and enhanced safety and emergency response. This modernization improved operational efficiency, safety, and regulatory adherence.

Radar Satellite deployment

The satellite radar, with its extensive monitoring capabilities, accurately isolated water pixels and detected 11 leaks in a day. This capability facilitated swift identification, localization, and timely repairs, while also serving as an early warning system, ultimately minimizing water loss and ensuring proactive maintenance.

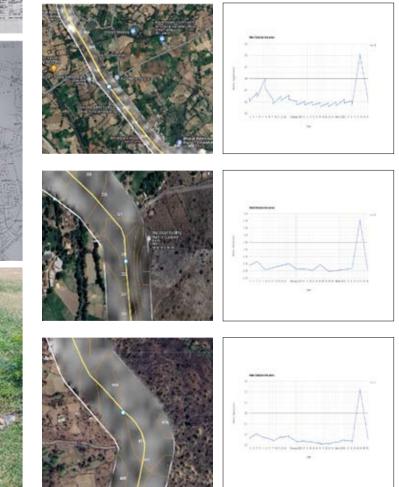
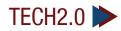


Image 3: Satellite Radar



Validation and Verification

The PHED Operations and Maintenance team diligently validated leaks using thermography and field observations. Their expertise enabled the identification and confirmation of 11 genuine leaks. This meticulous process prevented unnecessary repairs, optimizing leak detection efficiency. The team's commitment to accuracy played a crucial role in the effectiveness of leak detection and repair operations.

Conclusion

The results of this study provide substantial evidence of the significant

advantages associated with the integration of satellite radar-based leak detection technology and SCADA systems for the Jaisamand lake to Udaipur pipeline. The technology demonstrated a commendable level of precision in the detection of leaks, facilitating swift intervention and reducing the likelihood of water losses. Furthermore, the amalgamation with SCADA systems bolstered real-time monitoring capabilities, enabling proactive leak detection and efficient maintenance planning. Additionally, the technology exhibited its potential in forecasting and mitigating prospective risks, thereby making a valuable contribution to the overall enhancement of the pipeline's infrastructure.

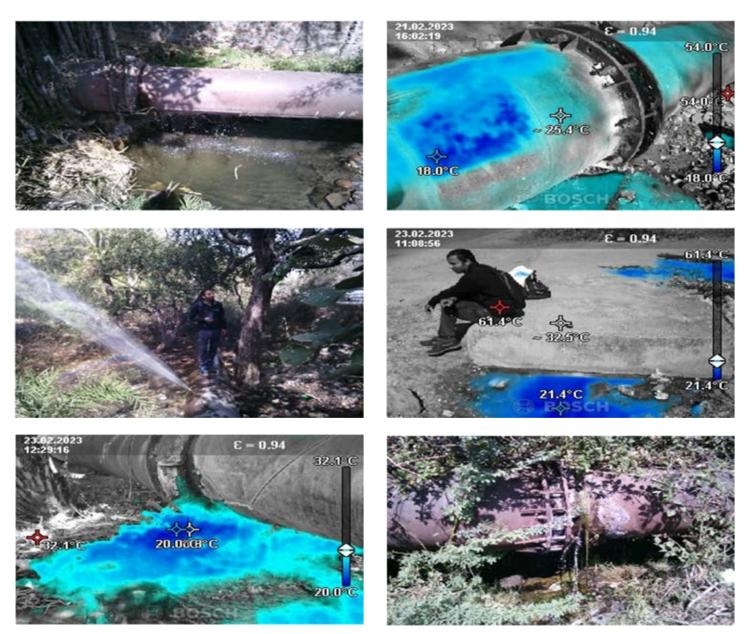


Image 4: Leak Validation and Verification







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