



***HYDROLOGY AND ITS  
UNCERTAINTIES-  
A  
CHALLENGE FOR HYDRO  
POWER DEVELOPERS***

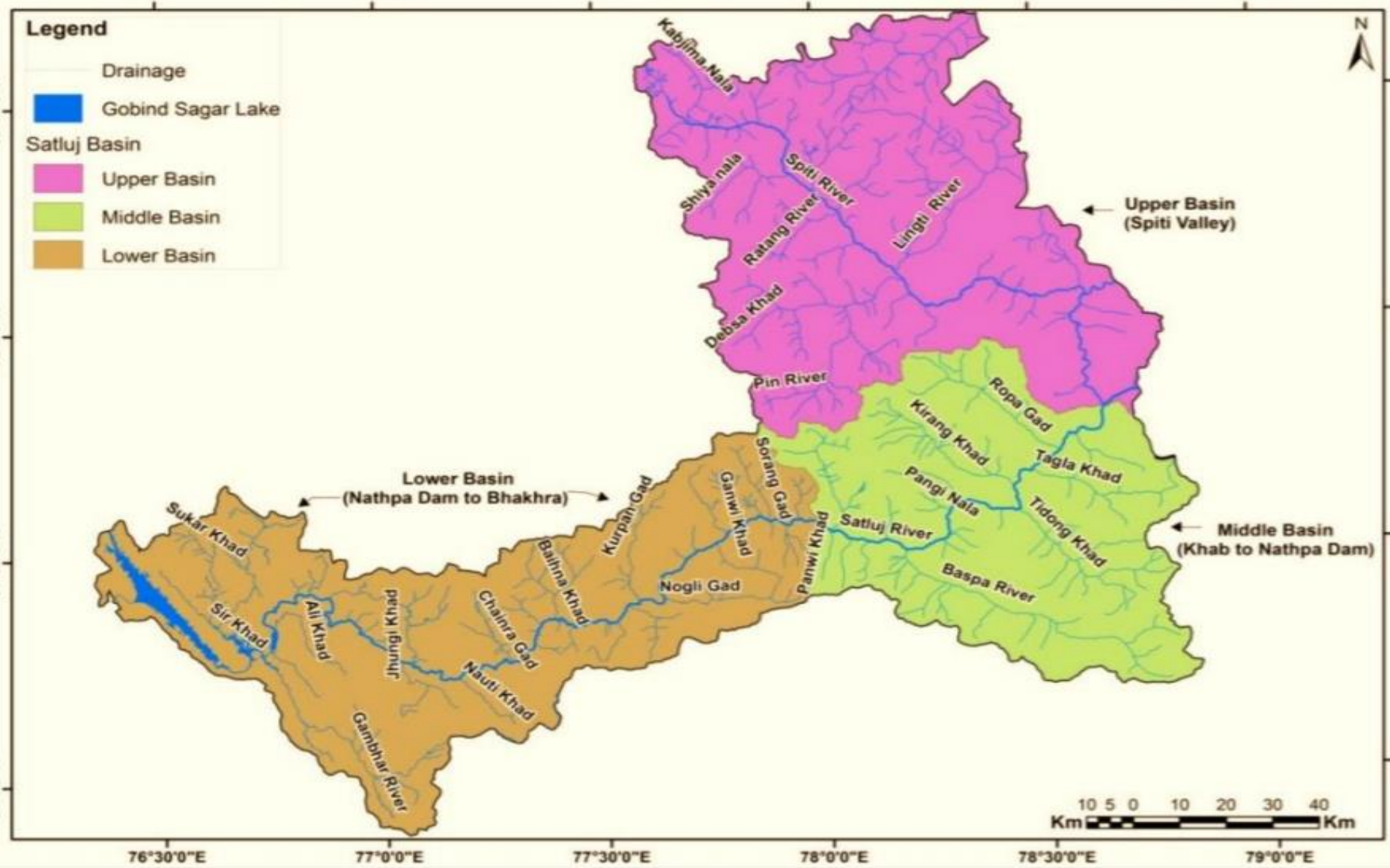
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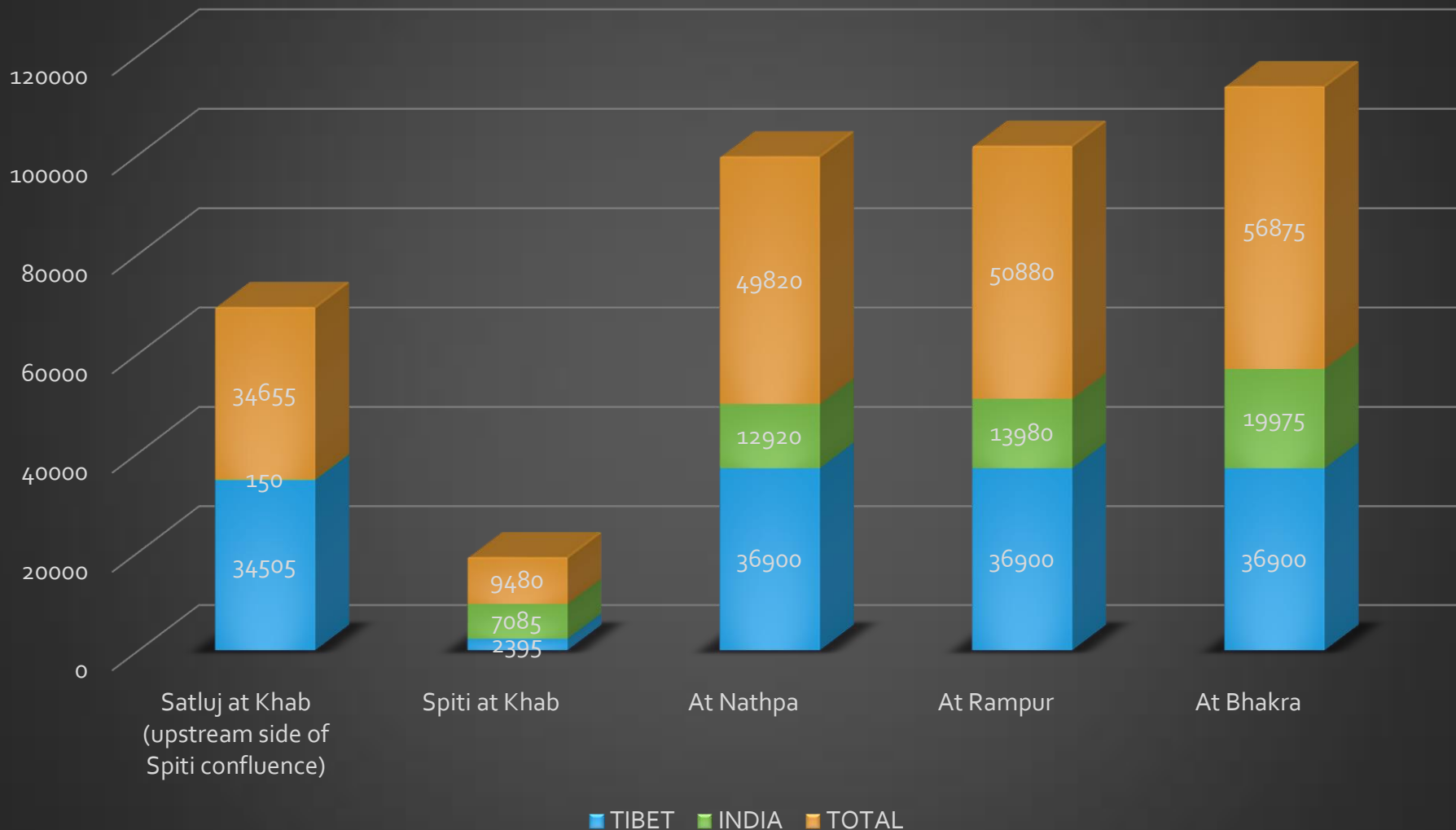
# SATLUJ BASIN TRIBUTERIES-VAST EXPANSE OF CATCHMENT AREA





# CATCHMENT AREA OF SATLUJ

## CATCHMENT AREA IN SQ KM





# GLACIERS OF TRIBUTARIES-BASPA



-30 Nos. Mapped Glaciers

-19% deglaciation observed from 1962 to 2001.



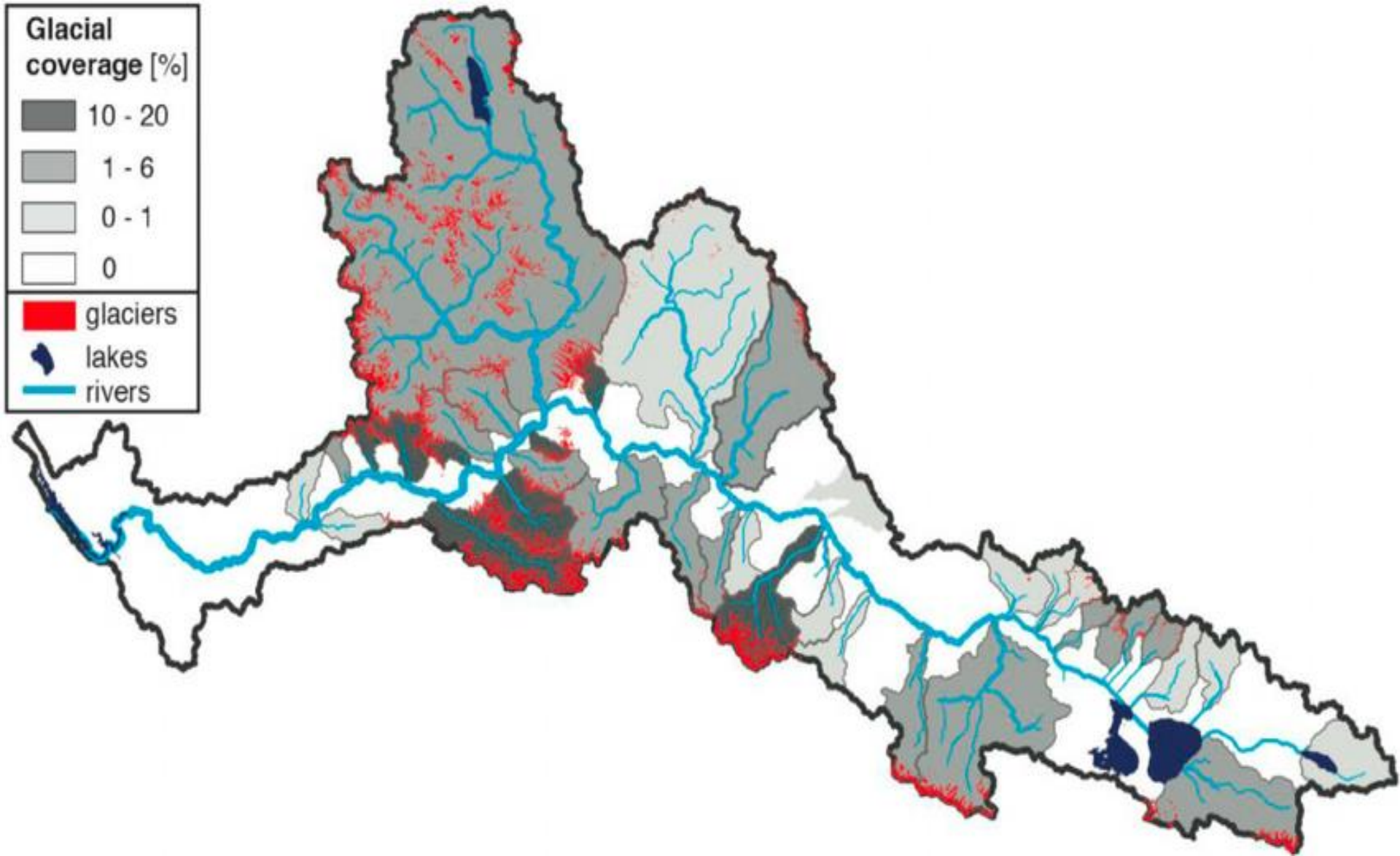
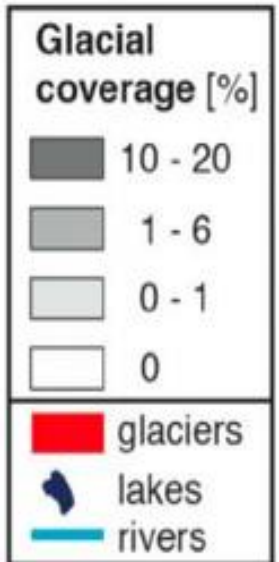
Glacier located around 5000m have shown 24 % loss as compared to 14% for those located on the altitude higher than 5400 m.



The Mean Altitude of the Glacier Terminus is shifted upward by 88m i.e. from 4482 to 4570.



# GLACIAL COVERAGE FOR SATLUJ BASIN







# GLACIERS OF TRIBUTARIES-SPITI



-188 Glaciers in 1962 have increased to 217 in 2001

-Result of Fragmentation of large sized Glaciers.



-Large sized Glaciers seems to be worst affected in the Basin

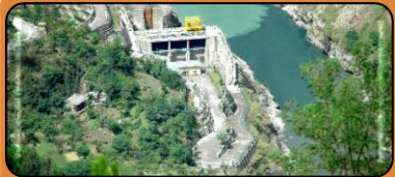
-Reducing trends large sized Glaciers may create scarcity of the Water in the Region in future.



# HYDROLOGY OF RIVER SATLUJ



Estimated Average Annual Flow at dam site Nathpa is 9638 Million M<sup>3</sup>.



Hydrology controlled by Spring and Summer Snowmelt in the Himalayas and by the South Asian Monsoon.



Onset of the Summer Monsoon brings heavy Rains that often produce extensive Flooding Downstream



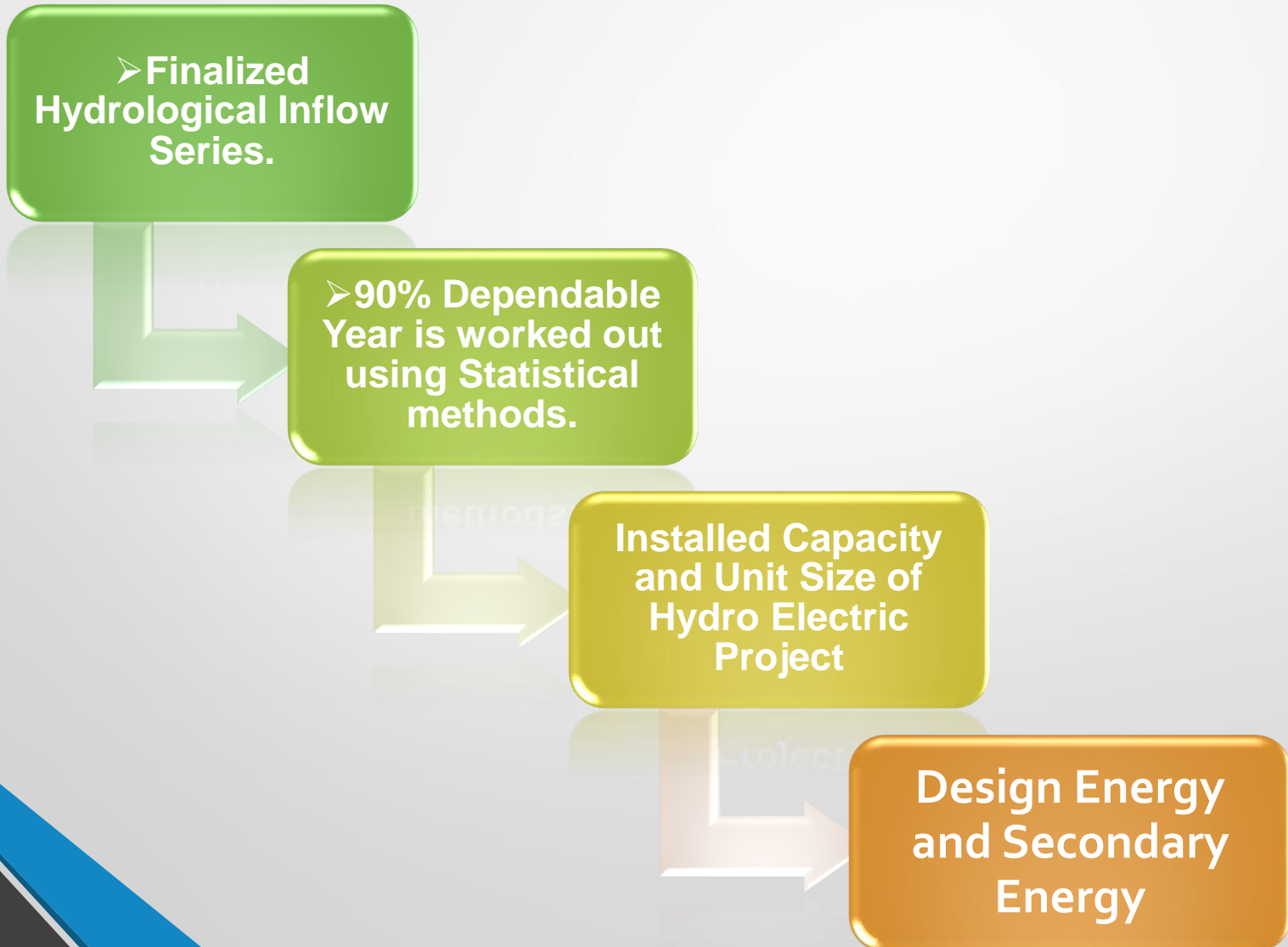
70% of Annual Generation at NJHPS achieved in Summer and Monsoon months.



Winter flow is substantially lower, since there is little Precipitation or Meltwater from the Himalayan Glaciers.



# THE HYDROLOGY STUDIES FOR HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECTS







# ADVANTAGES OF HYDRO POWER

- Source of Clean, Renewable and Sustainable Energy

- Environment Friendly Source

- Reliable and Affordable
- Longer Life



# ADVANTAGES OF HYDRO POWER

- High efficiency- over 90%
- Less CDM Impacts

- Multi Purpose Uses such as Irrigation, Fishery, Flood Control etc.

- Adapting to Quick Responses







# COMPLICATED COMPLIANCES REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASES

( Latest practice for new Schemes)

DRY

- November to March
- 20% of monthly average flow observed during each of preceding 10-daily period

LEAN

- Oct, April and May
- 25% of monthly average flow observed during each of preceding 10-daily period

HIGH FLOW

- June to September
- 30% of monthly flow





# O&M STAGE- GENERATION TARGETS CHALLENGES

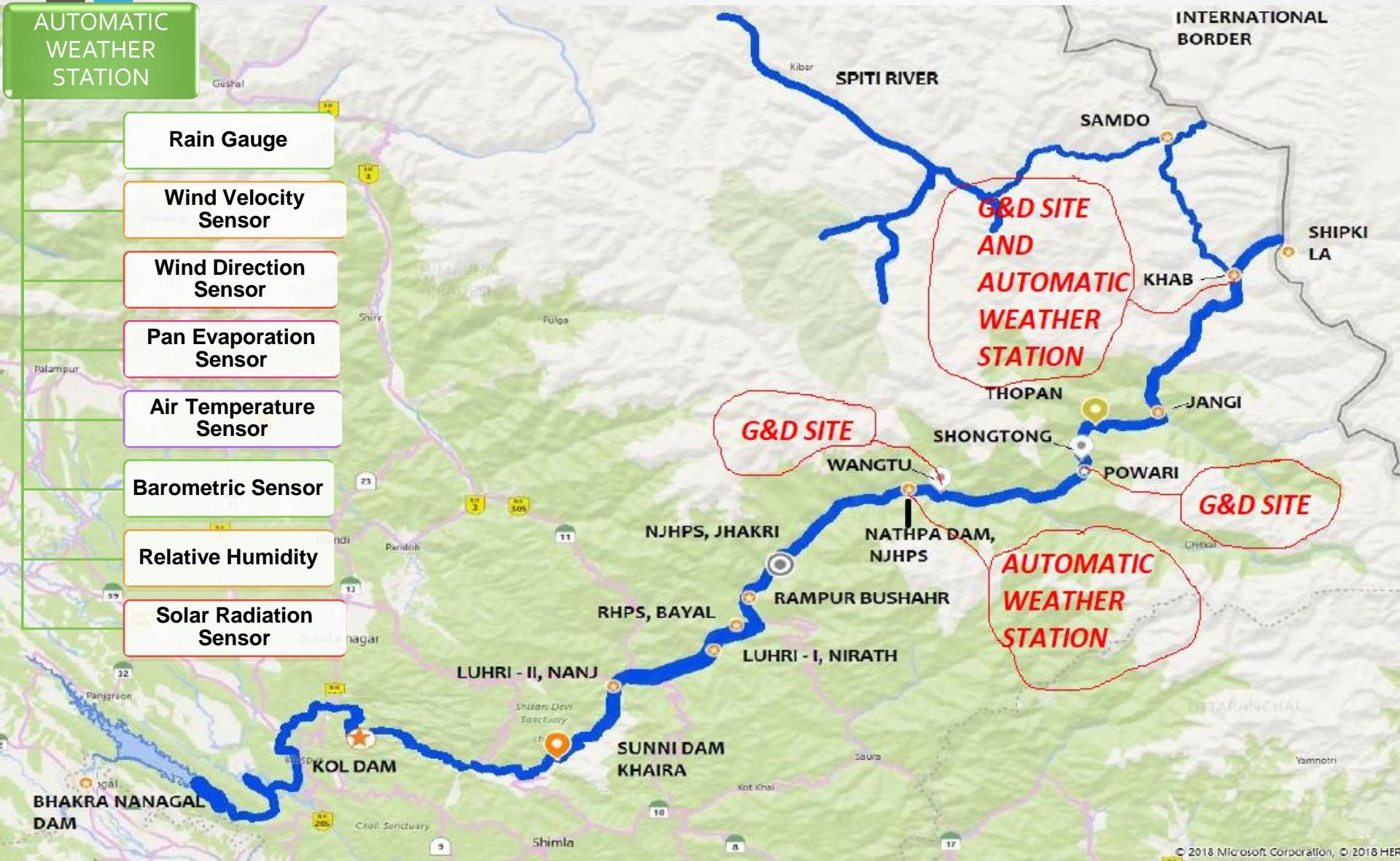
➤ Targets fixed on basis of Design Energy and Qualitative Experience

➤ Targets fixed on some Incremental Criteria over previous years Generation Figures

➤ No Mathematical or Scientific 'Hydrology Forecasting System'

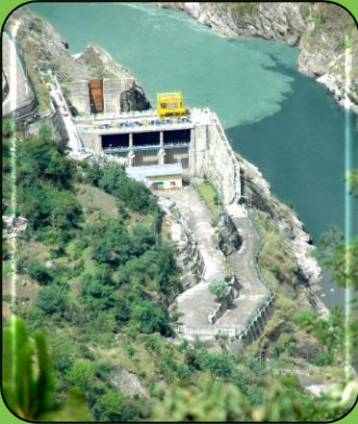


# HYDRO-METEOROLOGICAL DATA COLLECTION AT NJHPS

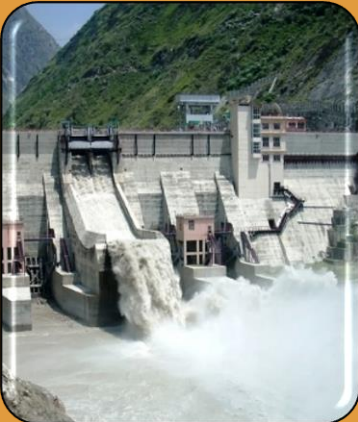




# HYDROLOGY VARIATION: A CONCERN



The usable Water Volume varies enormously from year to year, as River flow depends on actual Precipitation/Snowfall.

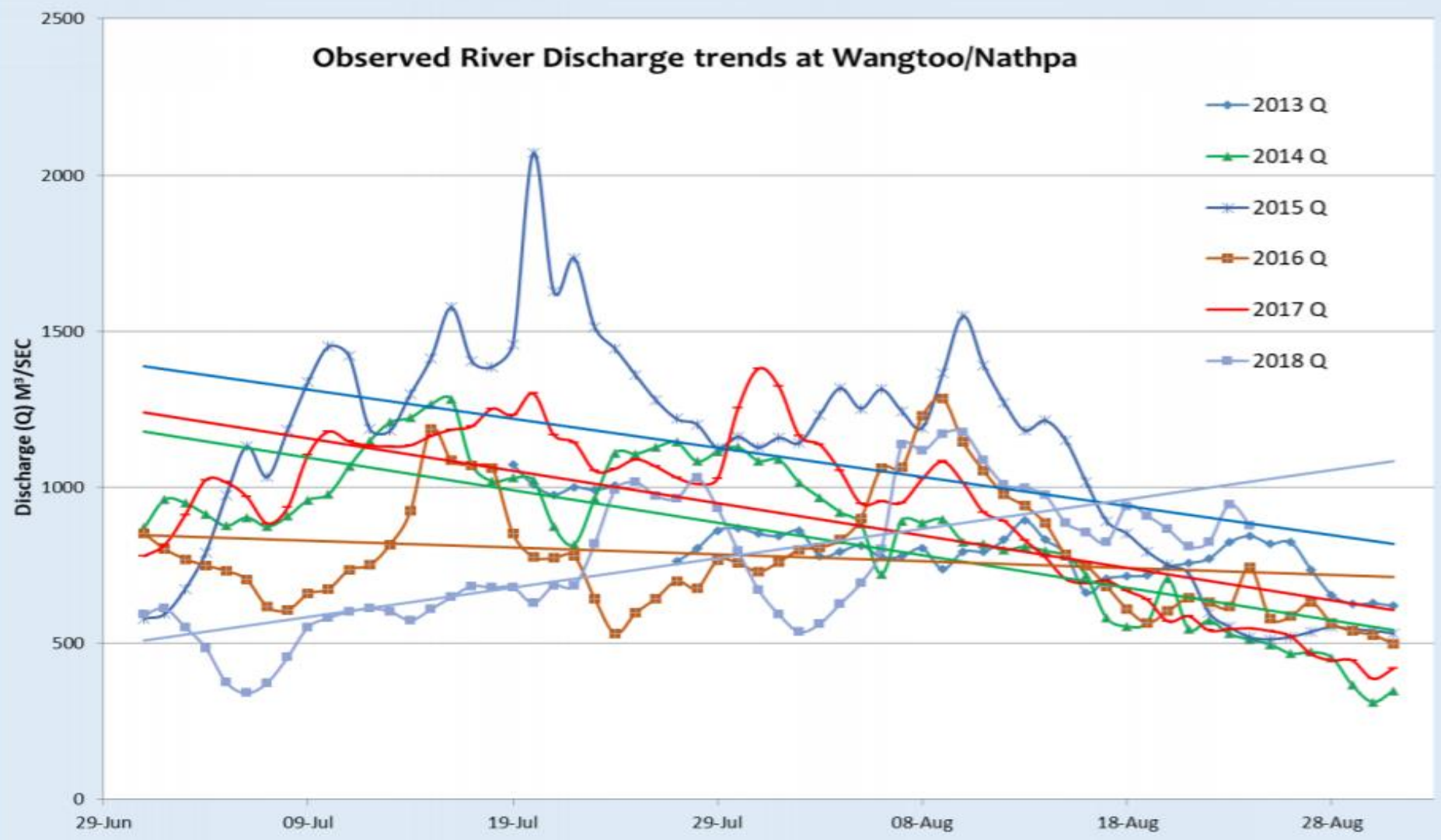


Other factors like Temperatures, Weather etc which are unpredictable and not studied for their quantitative effect on Inflows.





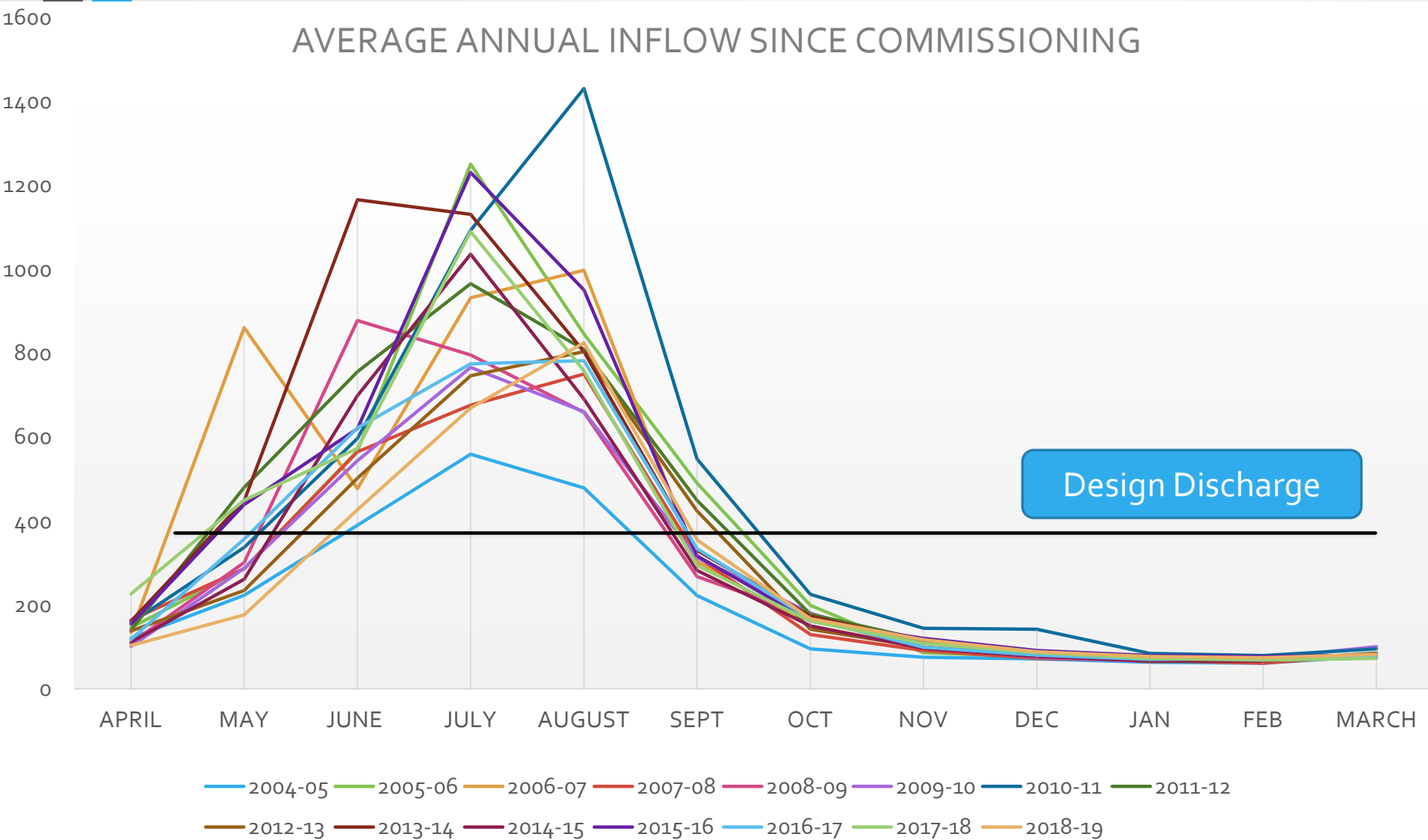
# RIVER DISCHARGE- UNCERTAINTIES





# INFLOW TRENDS AT NJHPS

AVERAGE ANNUAL INFLOW SINCE COMMISSIONING

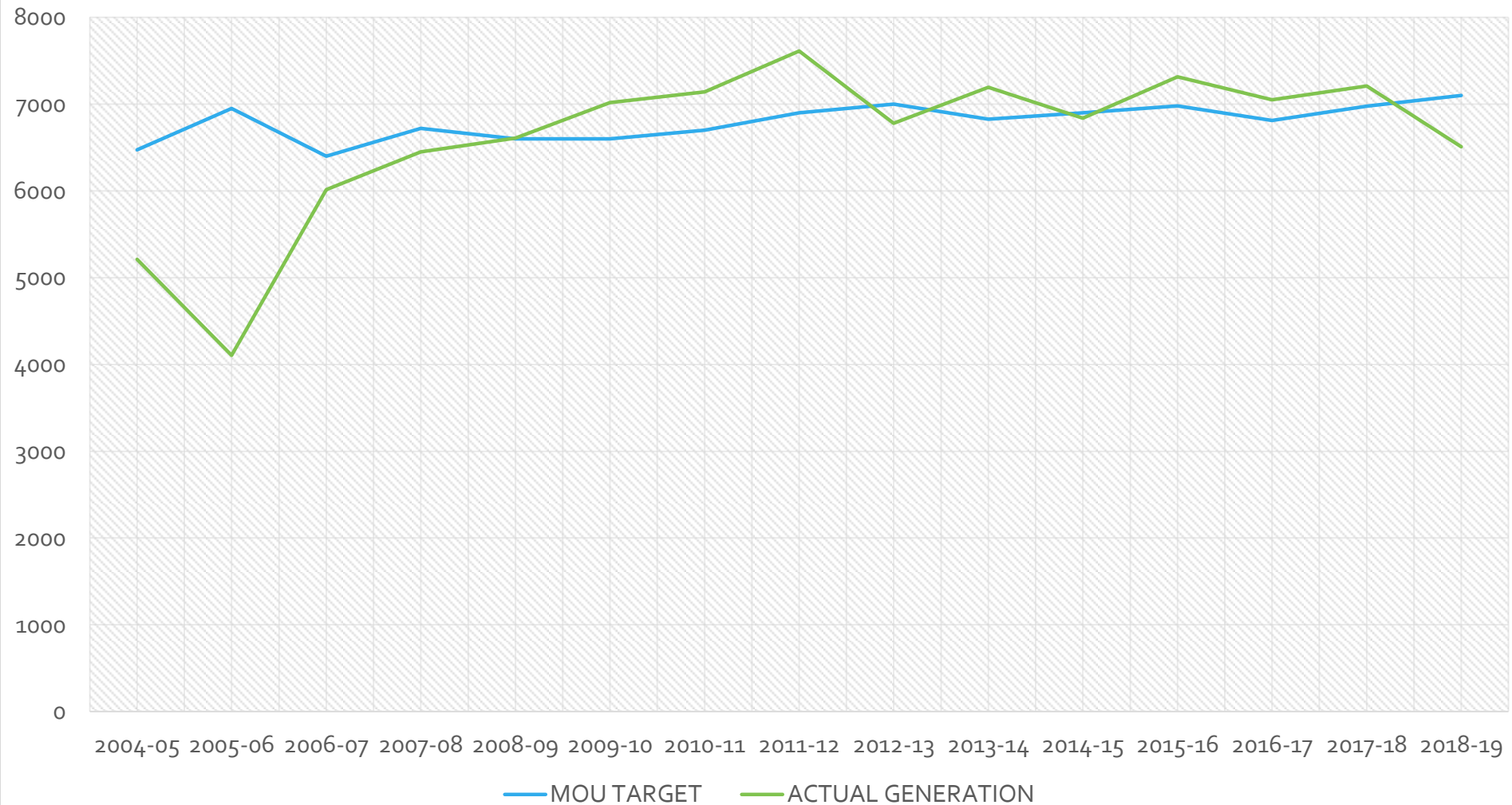






# TARGET AND ACTUAL GENERATION

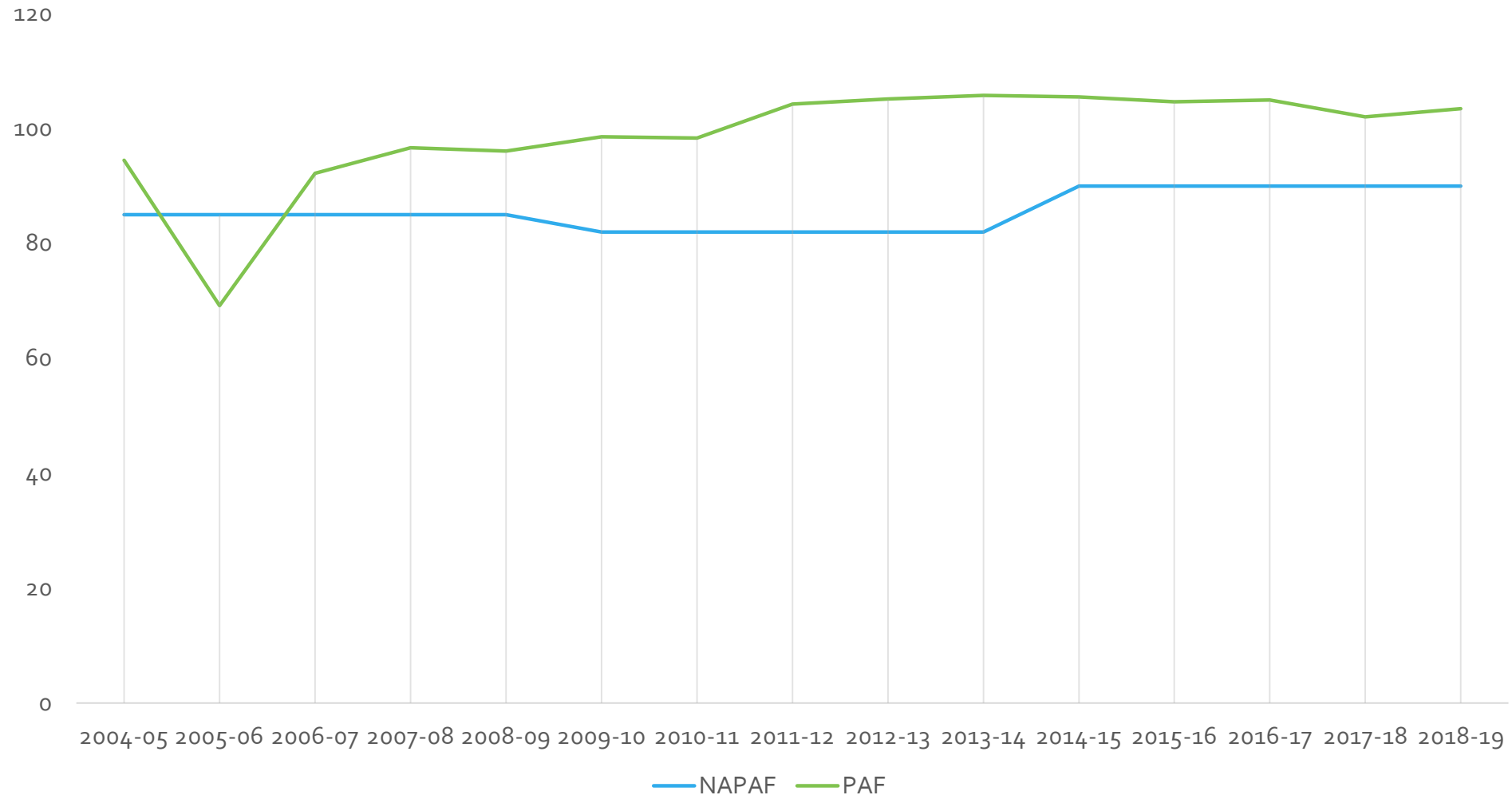
## MOU TARGET VS ACTUAL GENERATION (NJHPS)





# PLANT AVAILABILITY FACTOR AT NJHPS

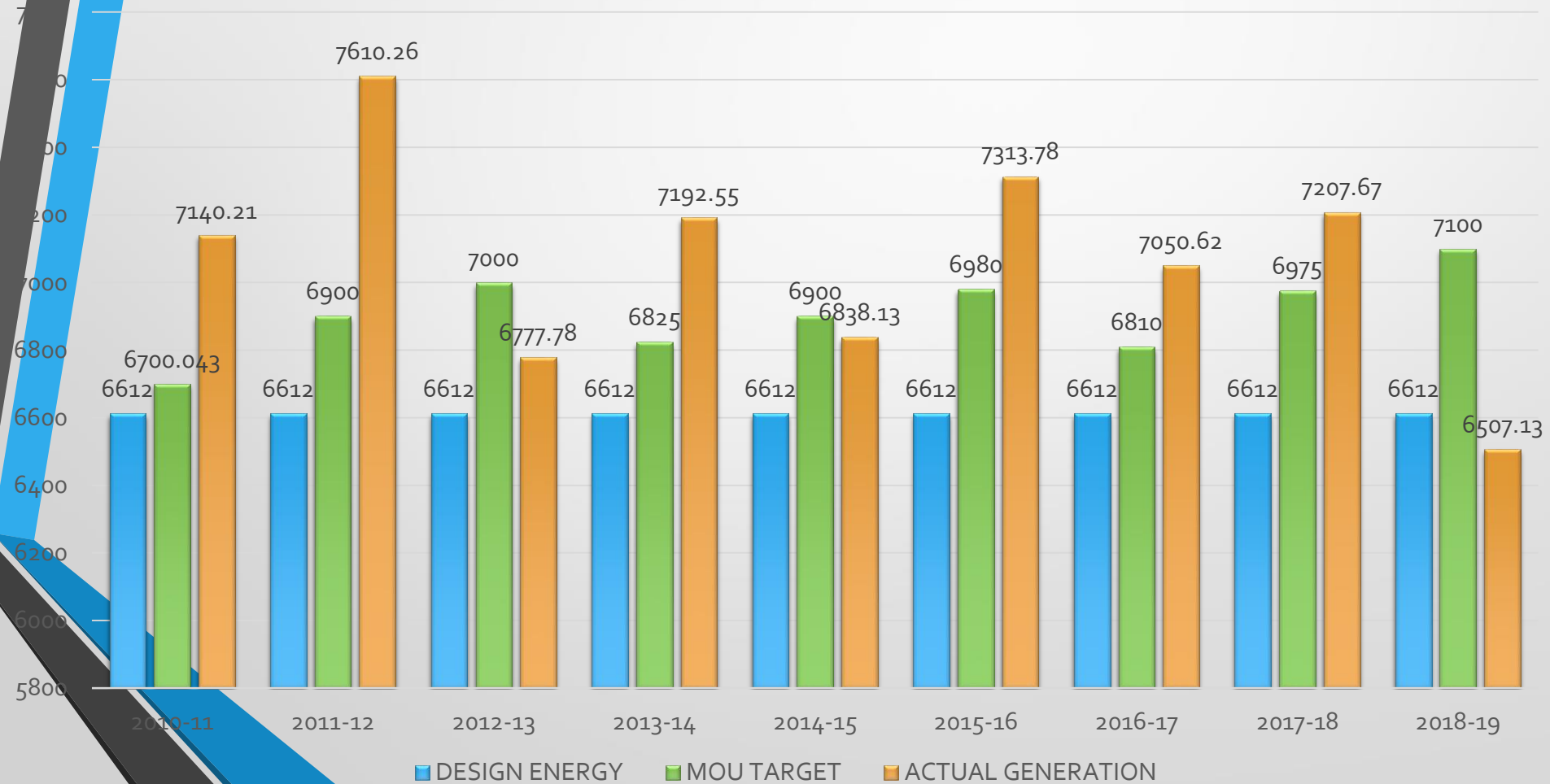
NAPAF vs ACTUAL PAF (NJHPS)





# OVERALL COMPARISON

## DESIGN ENERGY VS MOU TARGET VS ACTUAL GENERATION (NJHPS)





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