

## Study of the Zooplankton Community Chikliya pond area District Barwani M.P. India.

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**Abstract-** The present study is done to study the zooplankton species of Chikliya pond. Chikaliya pond is located in the area of Menimata village of Barwani district, 35 km from Barwani town. The water of the pond is mainly used for drinking and fish farming purposes. Chikliya pond. The geographical location of the Barwani is 22<sup>02</sup>' north latitude and 74<sup>55</sup>' East longitude and 165.50 M. above MSL. It is bounded by mountain ranges from three sides, namely 'Satpura' in the South; 'Vindhyanchal' in north and Maikal ranges (Part of Vindhyanchal) in the east. River Narmada the 'lifeline of M. P.' makes its north boundary from where district Dhar starts. It touches the boundaries of adjacent district, Khargone in East and North east while Maharashtra is located at Southern and Southern West. Zooplankton are one of the important organisms in the aquatic sector, which act as a bio-indicator of pollution and play a direct role in the food chain of fish. It is a rich source of nutrients for fish. The present investigation has been done during the year 2020-2021 which is found as follows. In the present investigation the zooplankton population was found to be comprising of four major group viz. Protozoa, Rotifers, Copepoda and Cladocera. Study 26 species of zooplankton have been recorded of which 10 belonged to Protozoa, 7 to Rotifers, 4 to Copepoda and 5 to Cladocera respectively.

**Keywords:** Zooplankton, Species, Chikliya pond.

**Introduction-** Zooplankton is an important component of organisms found in water, since it serves as a major component of the aquatic food chain. It maintains the balance of biotic and abiotic components among ecosystems in water. Zooplankton in Fresh Water. The author agrees that this article is always open under the conditions. Creative Commons Attribution License 4.0 International License. Invertebrates include the three major groups of animals: rotifers, copepods and cladocerans are found in abundance in all types of aquatic habitats and play an important role in energy transfer in an aquatic ecosystem and serve as bio-indicators of pollution. It occupies an intermediate position in the food web, some of them feeding on bacteria and algae and some in turn fed on by invertebrates, fish and birds. Zooplankton diversity and their ecology contribute greatly to the understanding of the basic nature of water habitats and the general economy. The physico-chemical factors also control the zooplankton population in the water body. Various researchers worked to study the zooplankton of various fresh water bodies. Katepurna Reservoir, District Akola, Maharashtra, to qualitatively analyze the zooplankton of freshwater ecosystem in India. Biodiversity of aquatic life conservation is an important task because day by day pollution is increasing and its direct impact on aquatic life. Therefore, it is necessary to study the following objectives and diversity of zooplankton.

**Material and Methods-** Biological Estimations, Collection, Preservation and Identification of Plankton. The plankton samples were collected following Welch (1953) and Lind (1979) by filtering 40 liters of water through small plankton net made up of bolting silk no. 25 (64u mesh size). The concentrate was preserved in 5 % formalin and Lugol's solution for phytoplankton and zooplankton study respectively. The phytoplankton was identified with the help of key's given by Smith (1950), Edmondson (1959), Prescott (1951 and 62) and Adoni (1985). Counting of the individual phytoplankton was done by drop count method (Adoni, 1985) using the formula.

Phytoplankton / lit. =  $A \times 1/L \times n/V$

Where; A = Average no. of organism /drop  
 L = Volume of original sample in ml  
 n = Volume of one drop in ml.  
 V = Total volume of the concentrated sample in ml.

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$$\text{Zooplankton/ lit.} = n (V/v) 1/c \times 10^3$$

Where, n= total no. of individuals in observed transects  
 V = Volume of the sample in counting cell in mm<sup>3</sup>  
 v= Volume of Observed transects

Original Volume of sample (ml)

$$C = \text{Concentration factor} = \frac{\text{Original Volume of sample (ml)}}{\text{Volumes of sample concentrate (ml)}}$$

Volumes of sample concentrate (ml)

Biomass- Biomass values were calculated by filtering a known volume of water. The wet weight, dry weight and ash weight of the collected plankton is expressed in mg/lit.

Productivity- Primary productivity was measured by dark and light bottle technique of Gaarder and Gran (1927). Along with productivity NP/R, NP/GP ratio and percentage of respiration was also calculated. The followings expression was used for calculating gross and net productivity and community respiration.

$$\text{Gross Oxygen Production} = \text{LB} - \text{DB}$$

$$\text{Net Oxygen Production} = \text{LB} - \text{IB}$$

$$\text{Community Respiration} = \text{IB} - \text{DB}$$

Where: LB = Light Bottle

DB = Dark Bottle





IB = Initial Bottle









**Table: - Monthly Variation in Zooplankton Diversity in Chikliya pond (No./L) -2020**




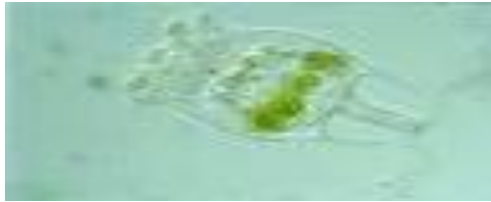


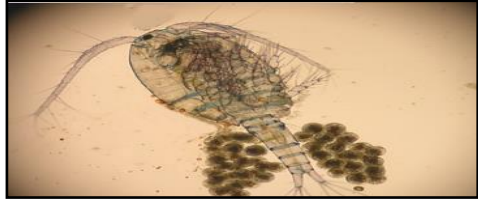
S.N.	Name of Group & Genera	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	<b>Protozoa</b>						
1	Arcella sp.	0	0	12	29	19	114
2	Actinophrys sp.	0	19	14	9	89	31
3	Diffugia sp.	0	3	0	0	13	11
4	Didinium sp.	0	0	0	11	7	9
5	Epistylis sp.	11	5	10	16	21	14
6	Euglypha sp.	29	0	7	0	10	7
7	Oxytricha sp.	22	7	4	9	0	9
8	Paramecium sp.	11	9	68	72	0	14
9	Porodon sp.	0	5	7	9	0	0
10	Vorticella sp.	0	21	4	17	0	0
	<b>Total species</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>209</b>
	<b>Rotifera</b>						
1	Ascomorpha sp.	0	0	0	0	7	9
2	Branchionuscaudatus	5	3	0	10	9	16
3	Branchionuafalcatus	0	0	0	9	6	14

4	Filina sp.	0	0	0	0	7	11
5	Haxarthra sp.	29	9	12	19	0	0
6	Keretella sp.	7	6	22	0	0	0
7	Notholca sp.	0	0	0	13	19	59
	<b>Total species</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>109</b>
	<b>Copepoda</b>						
1	Cyclops	0	9	19	17	57	46
2	Mesocyclops	24	0	29	14	15	0
3	Pseudodiaptomus	56	4	12	9	5	9
4	Naupilla	0	11	0	6	9	5
	<b>Total species</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>60</b>
	<b>Cladocera</b>						
1	Conochilus sp.	0	0	0	7	8	9
2	Cypris sp.	7	9	22	17	12	43
3	Daphania sp.	0	0	0	7	6	14
4	Macrothrix sp.	0	12	10	11	7	0
5	Stenocypris sp.	6	8	9	10	0	0
	<b>Total species</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>66</b>

## Zooplankton

Protozoa	
	
Fig. 1 Arcella Sp.	Fig. 2 Actinophrys Sp.
	
Fig. 3 Didinium Sp.	Fig. 4 Diffugia Sp.

	
<p>Fig. 5 Epistylis Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 6 Euglypha Sp.</p>
	
<p>Fig. 7 Oxytricha Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 8 Paramecium Sp.</p>
	
<p>Fig. 9 Prorodon Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 10 Vorticella Sp.</p>
<p><b>Rotifera</b></p>	
	

<p>Fig. 11 Ascomorpha Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 12 Branchionusfalcatus</p>
	
<p>Fig. 12 Haxarthra Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 14 Keratella Sp.</p>
	
<p>Fig. 15 Notholca Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 16 Barnchiouscaudalus</p>
	
<p>Fig.17 Filina sp.</p>	
<p><b>Copepoda</b></p>	
	
<p>Fig. 18 Cyclops Sp</p>	<p>Fig. 19 MesocyclopsSp</p>





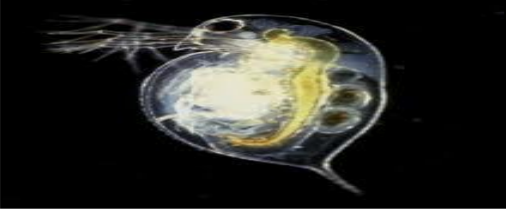
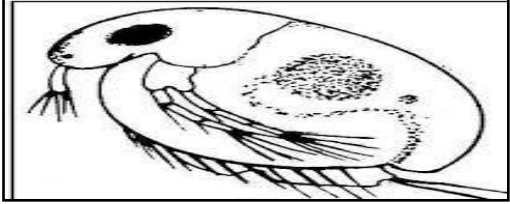
	
<p>Fig. 20 Nauplii Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 21 Pseudodiaptomus Sp.</p>
<p><b>Cladocera</b></p>	
	
<p>Fig. 22 Conochilus Sp.</p>	<p>Fig. 23 Cypris Sp.</p>
	
<p>Fig. 24 Daphnia Sp.</p>	<p>Fig.25 Microthrix Sp.</p>



Fig.26 Stenocypris Sp.

**Result and Discussion-** Population of Zooplankton In the present investigation, the population of zooplankton was found to be made up of four major groups. Protozoa, Rotifers, Copepoda and Cladocera. Study 26 species of zooplankton have been recorded of which 10 belonged to Protozoa, 7 to Rotifers, 4 to Copepoda and 5 to Cladocera respectively.

**Protozoa-** In the this group contributed zooplankton during six month. The protozoa population ranged between 69 No/lit. to 209 No/lit. The minimum density was observed in August and maximum in December.

**Rotifera-** In the this group contributed zooplankton during six month. The density of rotifers fluctuated between 18 No/lit. to 109 No/lit. The minimum density was observed in August and maximum in December.

**Copepoda-** In the This group contributed zooplankton during six month. The density of this group varied from 24 No/lit. to 86 No/lit. The minimum density was observed August and maximum in November.

**Cladocera-** In the this group contributed zooplankton during six month. The density of this group varied from 13 No/lit. to 66 No/lit. The minimum was noticed during July and maximum in December.

**Conclusions-** Water is an important component of various types of organisms, plants and human life on this earth, life cannot be imagined without water. And studying the physico-chemical functions of water shows that the water is potable, and aquatic organisms are able to follow. The purity of the water is tested through various parameters and once the water quality is determined, the fish can be reared in the pond.

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