



# **Electric Power Supply Network Management Using GIS Solution**

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**ABSTRACT:** Our paper deals Electrical Utility Network is the most generic term in the case of electrical transmission network, concerned in GIS environment. The network gets started from the source and ends with sink. The source is the generation point of electricity and the sink is the end point may be an industry / a small house where the energy is best utilized. This electric utility network is an energy process flow in which it begins with the source, distributed through grid and transmitted to the ends by using transformers and gets connected by cables for its energy transfer. The role of GIS is to spatially map the entities, to make the whole process in real time and share the data across all verticals using Arc GIS or Quantum GIS. Analyze the distribution transmission lines and mapping using GIS technique.

**KEYWORDS:** GIS; Distribution network, Mapping, fault location, Line losses

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

GIS- based distribution network fault location algorithm, which greatly improve the distribution system fault locating efficiency, and ensure the distribution network of safe, reliable operation. The distribution network fault location is when the Distribution network after a failure to quickly and accurately locate the point of failure and regional, in order to be able to Quickly fault segment area isolation, while a non- fault Segment of the region to restore power. The importance of mapping things into GIS environment / setup is to provide spatial solutions in a real time manner. The major problems identified in this energy sector were

- 1) Frequent power failure due to natural disaster (excessive precipitation, lightning, etc),
- 2) Unequal transmission of load.
- 3) Rupture on the equipments due to the improper maintenance.

All the equipments involved in electric transmission network have got some limited time period on its durability. Periodic change on these equipments is necessary to maintain the standards in electrical network. So spatially managing these with temporal dimension involved will pave way for the system to automatically denote / trigger / tell about the time limit for each and every equipment automatically within a threshold time limit and thereby decreasing the frequent power failures involved in an electrical network.

To reach the equipment / to find the exact fault wherein it has occurred could be substantiated by hand held palmtops. The notified location on the spatial network wherein the fault has occurred could be easily identified and asked for the first responders to act/ go to the exact area and rectify the problem immediately. One of the major advantages of GIS in Electrical networks is the location component. For Electrical Utility networks, our process of data capture begins with capturing landmark details, dimensions and specific feature capture on point and line segments on features such as cables, feeders, switches etc. We adopt specific standards as given by the client and also following international specifications wherever it is applicable. After feature capture all the errors will be rectified using **Arc GIS** software and the data is passed on for intensive QA /QC check.

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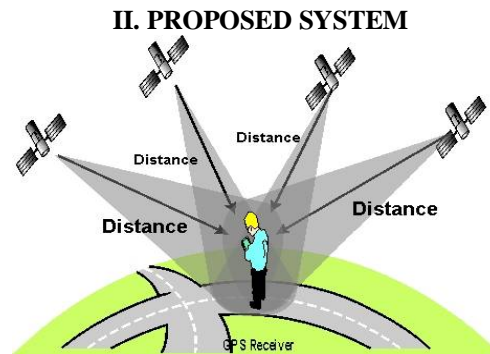


Fig 1 Proposed System

Mapping these features and spatially locating these feature in system and to make it readily available or keeping it shared across the networks is the immediate need of the hour. The importance of mapping things into GIS environment / setup is to provide spatial solutions in a real time manner

A GIS database can be created as follows [2]:

- Step 1: Locate equipment by GPS or map area.
- Step 2: Ratings or specifications of equipment are given.
- Step 3: Topology of network and modelling in GIS is performed.
- Step 4: Add area map to GIS software.

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## **A) GIS APPLICATION IN MAPPING OF NETWORK AND CONSUMERS**

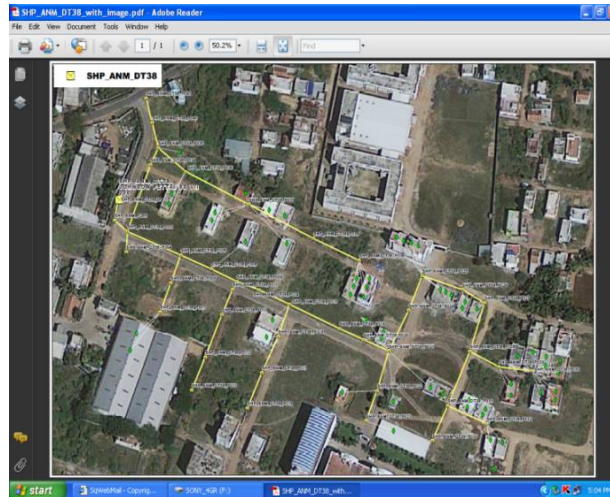
GIS technology can be effectively used for correct marking of the jurisdiction various Distribution Circles on Geographical Area Map. GIS mapping of Sub- transmission and Distribution network from 33 kV substations down to LT feeders becomes handy in proper identification, locating and documenting of electrical network assets. All the existing connections and consumer details can be graphically displayed on the GIS map linked to the database. The mapping of electrical network on GIS base maps and linking with the indexed consumer database is a multi-step process.

Develop Database of Electrical Network from 22 kV to LT System with related parameters of Lines, Substations and Distribution Transformers. Develop Consumer Database based on the Physical, Electrical and Commercial parameters of the consumers and linking them on GIS map. Segregation of Consumers - 22 kV Feeder-wise and Distribution Transformer- wise - to evaluate energy supplied, billed and system losses with rendering and visualization on GIS map. Superimposition of GIS-based Network and Consumer mapping database on a scale of 1:4000 or better. Evaluation of feeder-wise and DT-wise Energy Losses, correlating with load flow studies and their depiction on GIS map

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**Fig 2 View – 01 (LT ASSET MAPPING & CONSUMER MAPPING)**

The location coordinates (Latitude-Longitude) of every consumer and electrical network element, from 110/22 KV sub-station through 22 KV feeder down to DT and the nearest LT service pole has been plotted on GIS map, with the following features:

- All the network elements are identified and a database developed to record all the technical attributes of the network element.
- All the network assets have a unique identification number. The network database has a linkage with consumer database.
- The network database is having a GUI interface where all the child components are shown as subset of the parent. When a parent is selected the entire child components can be seen in the left pane. The graphical symbol of the parent component is shown as expandable.
- In case of network reconfiguration where some components are electrically connected to a new parent component, then all such child components can be selected in the left pane can be dragged and dropped to be new parent component. The database gets immediately modified to show new electrical connectivity.

## ***B) MAPPING AND INDEXING OF ELECTRICAL CONSUMERS***

The purpose of GIS Mapping and Indexing of the consumers is to identify and locate all the consumers on geographical map, which are being fed from the Distribution Mains. There may be cases where electric connection exists but it does not exist in the utility's record. It may be a case of unauthorized connection or non-slenderized connection. On the other hand, there may be cases where a connection exists in the utility's record, but it may not exist physically at site. Following reasons could be attributed for such anomalies:

1. The connection might have been disconnected long back but the record may not have been updated.
2. It may be a case where the address and other details of the consumers are not correctly recorded.

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## **C) MAPPING AND DOCUMENTATION OF ELECTRIC NETWORK**

The complete electrical network and network route are digitized and mapped on a suitable scale over the base map, using suitable GIS software, so that the changes in the network can be timely and correctly updated on a periodic basis. Through software application, queries can be generated to find out the network details like the make and specifications of network elements, the length of feeders and LT conductors, number of transformers and breakers on any section of the network. The network database should have the important details of 110/22 KV substations, 22KV feeders, Distribution Transformers and LT lines.



**Fig 3 View 2(HT ASSET MAPPING & CONSUMER MAPPING)**

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## **D) FEEDER-WISE AND DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMER-WISE CONSUMER SEGREGATION**

To identify the areas of high losses, it is essential to segregate the energy input and consumption Distribution Transformer-wise and 22 KV feeder-wise. The losses are assessed by subtracting the total energy utilization of the consumers from the energy supplied to the respective Distribution Transformer and 22 KV Feeder. Using GPS-based survey of 22 KV feeders, DTs and LT poles, the connected consumers can be identified on the GIS map and segregated Distribution Transformer-wise and 22 KV feeder-wise.

## **E) LOAD FLOW STUDY AND LOAD MANAGEMENT**

The purpose of load flow study is to eliminate overloading of the network, minimize technical losses, overcome low voltage problems and avoid unbalanced loading of Distribution Transformer and LT network in order to achieve optimum utilization of Transformer and network capacity. GIS data of electrical network and consumers can help in the following exercises required for Load Flow Study



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## F) LINE LOSSES AND POWER FACTOR

1. Evaluate 22 KV, and LT feeder-wise technical losses
2. Identify the network section overloaded or having high technical losses
3. Identify the area of unbalanced loading of Distribution Transformer and LT Network and take corrective action to minimize technical loss and achieve Optimum utilization of transformer's capacity.
4. Work out voltage regulation of the network and identify the areas having high voltage drops and suffering with low voltage problem.

Based on the above information, alternate arrangement of supply to important areas can be made in case of outage of part of existing feeding network. Also, augmentation of the network can be effectively planned to cater for the increase in projected load.

## III. INTEGRATION OF GIS – SCADA

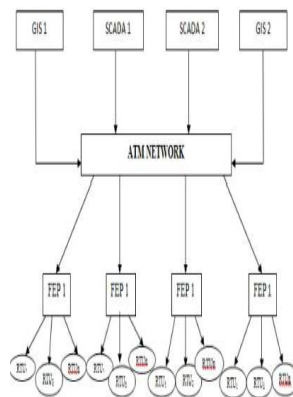


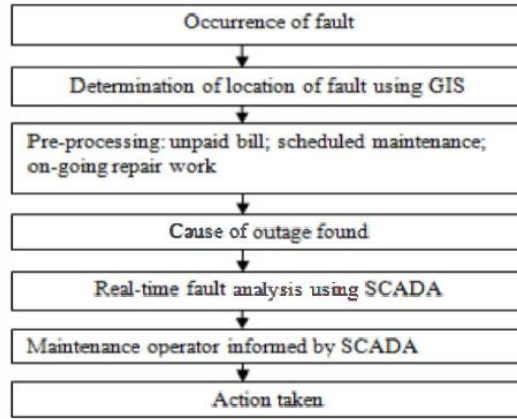
Fig 4 Integration of GIS – SCADA Using ATM Network

In the fig 4 the GIS system and SCADA Integrated systems are focused and the Effective Analysis also involved in the Circuit. With the growing complexity of power system, the unification of GIS and SCADA has become essentially important. For short distance, integration of GIS and SCADA with the help of simple local area network (LAN) based structure was deficient to satisfy communication requirements. This led to usage of wide area broadband communication network such as asynchronous transfer mode (ATM) network. ATM network has benefits of circuit switching and packet switching, low delay, high efficiency, flexible integration and scalability in distance and bandwidth. In an integrated environment, an event generator yields different messages for ATM based network to interface with other LANs [4]. For GIS performance assessment, event generator recovers campus geography and feeder data that are required to be conveyed in the network. For SCADA data analysis, event generator develops messages based on record of previous SCADA system installed in the campus. A TM based network is enforced as the communication backbone between geographical information system (GIS) and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA). Fig.4 depicts the proposed communication structure of integration of GIS and SCADA using ATM network. Some front-end processors (FEPs) are connected with the ATM network which collects the information from various RTUs and transmit it to the SCADA system at a high speed while being analysed together with GIS data. ATM based network provides higher flexibility and better control as compared to the conventional structure in widely distributed networks.

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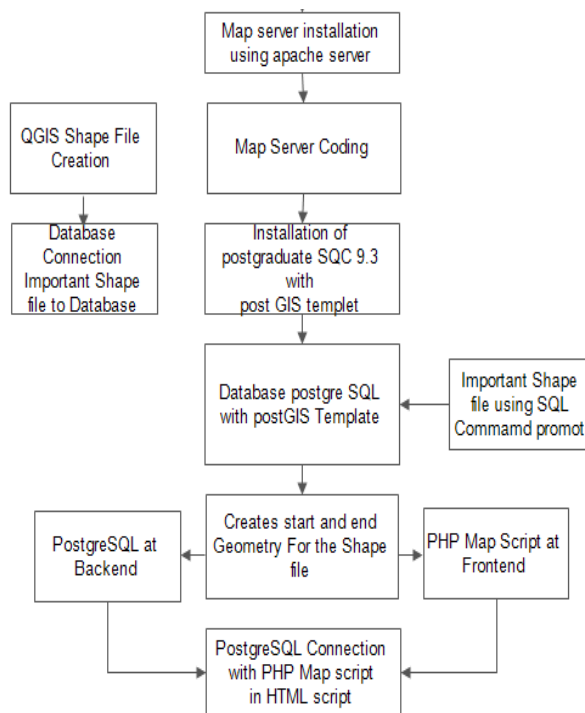
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**Fig 5 Fault Analysis by using GIS Technology**

GIS is used on large scale as there is development in computer technology. GIS with this integrated computer structure is used to collect and analyze data from remote location. GIS information shows the location of the fault. It also provides the geographical features where the fault has occurred. Further, GIS yields automated mapping/facility management for the companies like DISCO. In this analysis, we will integrate GIS and SCADA. Both GIS and SCADA interchange information with each other. Outage analysis is based on automated mapping/facility management/GIS system. This evaluation also shows the location of the outage with the help of GIS. Then, GIS which is already collaborated with the SCADA, processes this information. Furthermore, with the help of Real-Time system, By using GIS Technology, The fault and interruptions can easily identified in any location and this technology implemented with SCADA. By this SCADA technology the fault location is identified and rectified with the small time durations. the fault location is informed to the maintenance operator to takes the appropriate action



**Fig 6 Implementation of GIS Mapping**



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- Step 1: Installation of map server
- Step 2: After installation the coding is given to the map server
- Step 3: Installation of GIS template and shaping the file by using SQL command prompt
- Step 4: Creates start and end Geometry for shaping the selected file
- Step 5: After SQL command the geometry map will be developed in HTML document.

### Basic Syntax Used in MapServer :

```
MAP
LAYER1
LAYER2
CLASS
STYLE
END
CLASS END
LAYER2 END
LAYER1 END
MAP END
```

Run the map in local host and execute it in the browser window using the below URL: <http://localhost/cgi-bin/mapserv.exe?map=C:\ms4w\Apache\htdocs\shp\testchi.map&mode=map>

## IV. RESULTS WITH DISCUSSIONS

SL	Name of the feeder	Anticipated length in KM	Anticipated CL in MVA	Anticipated peak in MVA	Expected regulation	Line loss after imp in LU
1	Kolathukombai I	16.931	7.402	15.24	7.63	270200.00
2	Kolathukombai II	11.454	3.539	8.29	3.94	290751.00

Table 1. Expected Voltage regulation with Line Loss

S.No	Name of the SS	Name of the feeder	Connected load in KVA		Voltage Regulation with 1.5 DF		Line loss in Lakhs (units)		Line loss saving in LU
			Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	
1	Mettupatty -110 /22 KV -SS	Kolathu kombai--22 KV #	14943	2483	16.5000	1.3800	1236934	20492	1216442
2	Minnampalli-110/22 KV -SS	kolathukombai I-22KV #	0	7402	0.0000	7.6300	0	270200	-270200
3	Minnampalli-110/22 KV -SS	kolathukombai I-22KV #	0	3539	0.0000	3.9400	0	290751	-290751

Table 2 . Actual Voltage Regulation with Line Loss Saving

In the results the HT line 22 KV feeders the voltage regulation is 16.5% and line loss is 12,36,934 units. Due to poor voltage regulation, tail end consumers are so much affected, revenue loss and line loss are also increased. After using GIS technology the voltage regulation is within the limit [7.63% & 3.94%] and line loss are also minimized [-270200,-290751, 20492=5,81,443]. So line loss saving is 6,55,491 units. The revenue and operating cost will be very less by reducing line loss and regulate the voltage within the limit and low voltage complaints avoided. a) Frequent fault trippings b) power failures c) Breakdown occurrence d) Supply Restoration time can also minimized.



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Before GIS Implementation	After GIS Implementation
The HT line Regulation has not been calculated easily and not maintained within the norms	The HT Regulation has been calculated easily and maintained within the norms
Difficult to identify the HT LT pole location, DT and not to control overload Distribution Transformer. Fuse of call to be attend slowly	Easy to identify the HT LT pole location. Avoid overload Distribution Transformer and locate the new DT at load centre point. Fuse of call to be attend slowly
The damaged pole and snapped conductor are difficult to identify there more chance to happen Fatal and Non fatal accident. the fault trips are frequently happened	The damaged pole and snapped conductor are easily identify there more less chance to happen Fatal and Non fatal accident. the fault trips are happened rarely
The maintenance and operation cost is high due to it requires high man power. this results having less efficiency	Due to Computer technique it requires less man power and operational cost. this results having High efficiency

## V. CONCLUSION

The Web based Geographical Information System (GIS) is not limited to a certain Science or unique technology, but it has very extended branches of usage in a lot of the daily activities. GIS technology has the ability to manage the information and represents it with various maps which allow for users to interact with it completely. GIS provides us to show all accumulated data which are stored in any format for long time as visible layers linked between location data and attributes. GPS has three main components; the satellite system, the control system, and the end users. Distribution networks are typically of two types, radial or interconnected. A radial network leaves the station and passes through the network area with no normal connection to any other supply and interconnected network is generally found in more urban areas and will have multiple connections to other points of supply. Our future perspective is to integrate this Electric Network Utility of GIS with SCADA to really simulate the real time flow of the energy across the networks, and which is aimed to be kept in server environment for any time any where identification and demarcation of any effect in the system / energy flow at any junctions across the networks. On integration with SCADA we could also provide diversified solutions in this electrical utility network sector.

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