



Bayesian Hierarchical Model for Yield Improvement in Water Treatment Facilities in Tanzania: A Methodological Evaluation

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Abstract

Water treatment facilities in Tanzania face challenges related to yield improvement, necessitating robust methodological approaches for enhancement. A Bayesian hierarchical model was developed to account for variability among facilities with random effects for facility-specific parameters, along with fixed effects for system characteristics. Uncertainty quantification was achieved through credible intervals and robust standard errors. The implementation of the Bayesian hierarchical model indicated that yield improvement could be significantly enhanced by targeting specific operational variables, such as temperature and pH levels in treatment processes. The empirical evaluation demonstrated the effectiveness of the proposed Bayesian hierarchical model in predicting yield improvements across a range of water treatment facilities in Tanzania. Further research should focus on validating these findings through larger-scale trials and exploring potential policy implications for enhancing water quality management in Tanzania. Bayesian Hierarchical Model, Water Treatment Facilities, Yield Improvement, Tanzania The maintenance outcome was modelled as $Y \{ \} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \{ \} + u_i + \text{varepsilon} \{ \}$, with robustness checked using heteroskedasticity-consistent errors.

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