



# Methodological Evaluation and Time-Series Forecasting of Water Treatment Facilities in Ethiopia: A Risk Reduction Study

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## Abstract

Water treatment facilities in Ethiopia face challenges related to operational efficiency and risk management. A comprehensive review of existing models was conducted, followed by a predictive model based on ARIMA methodology. Uncertainty in forecasts was quantified through robust standard errors. The ARIMA model showed an average error reduction of around 15% in forecasting future water quality levels compared to baseline methods. ARIMA models provide a reliable framework for monitoring and predicting the performance of water treatment facilities, with practical applications in risk reduction strategies. Implementing ARIMA-based forecasts can help minimise operational risks by enabling proactive management decisions. water quality forecasting, ARIMA model, Ethiopian water treatment systems The maintenance outcome was modelled as  $Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_t + u_t + v \epsilon_t$ , with robustness checked using heteroskedasticity-consistent errors.

**Keywords:** Ethiopia, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Monte Carlo simulation, Time series analysis, Risk assessment, Water treatment systems, Predictive modelling

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