

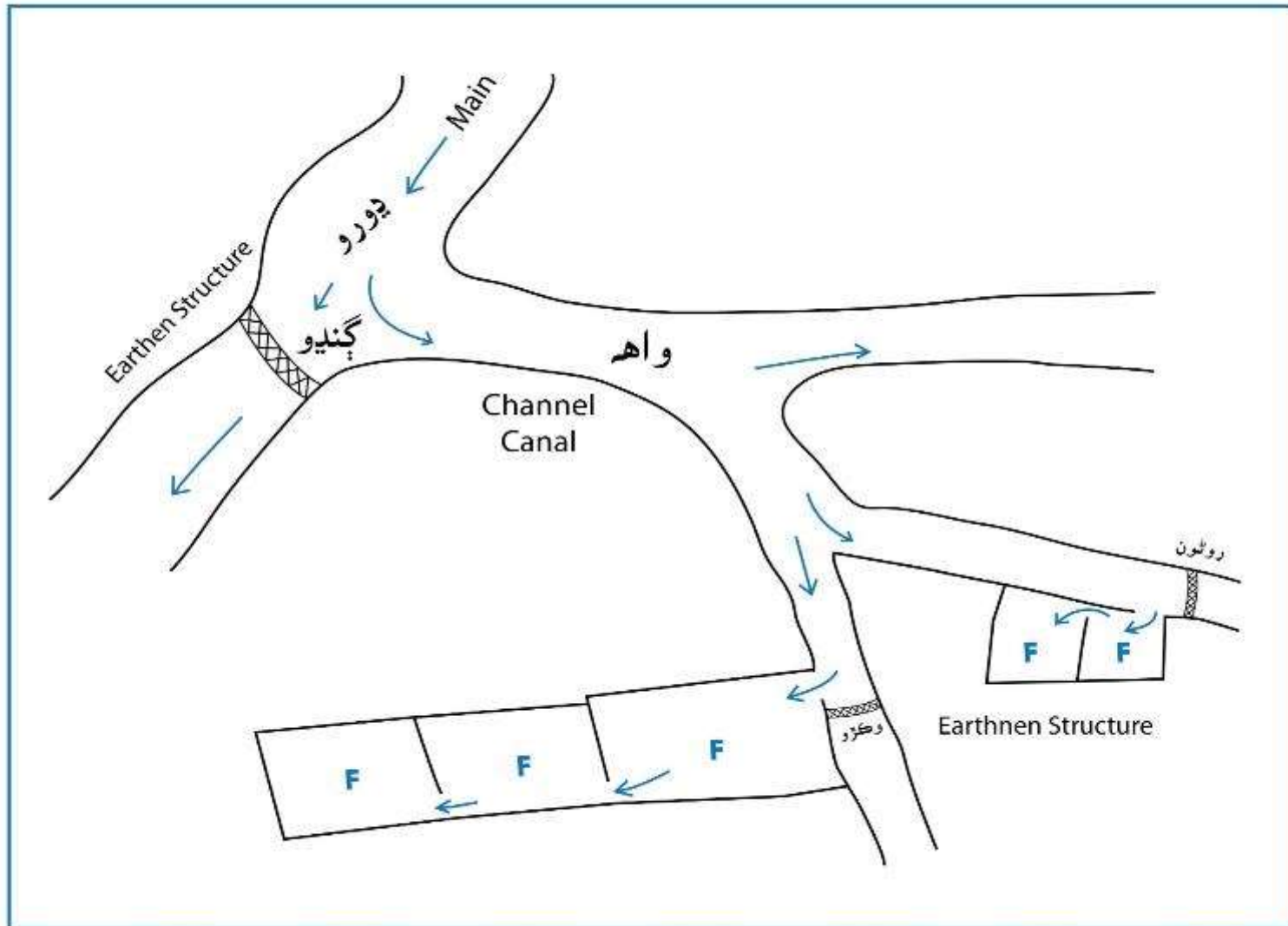
Water rights and rules

- Already existing rules
- Accepted and practiced
- Part of official record and judiciary system
- Allocation and distribution
- Changing situation – disturb, influence, adjust

Factors influencing

- Changes in river passage due to climatic factors
- Relocation of diversion structures
- Political and government factors
- Modern irrigation structures

Sindh Spate Irrigation Management (traditional)



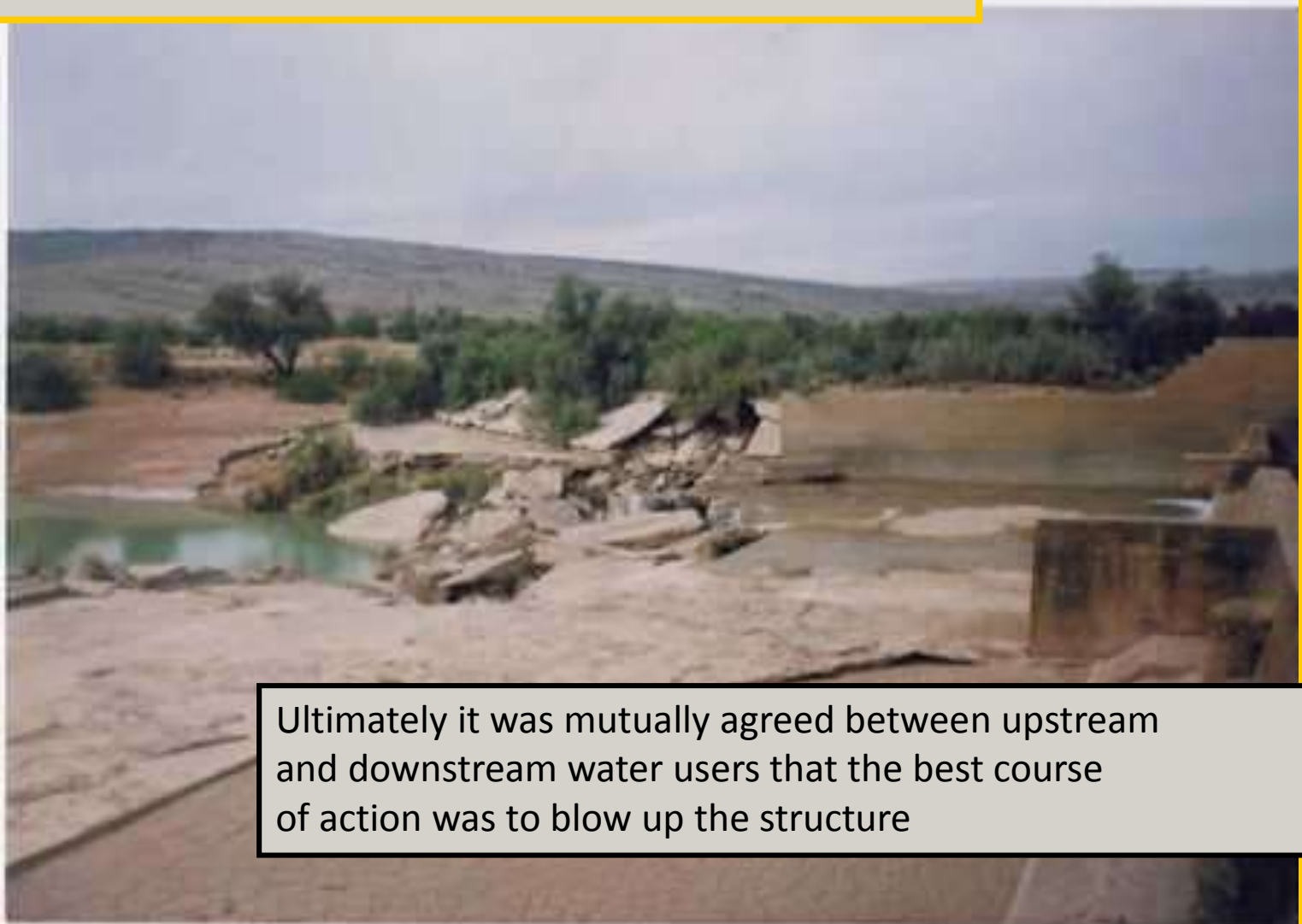


This is Anambar Weir, Balochistan (Pakistan)



What happened here?

This newly constructed weir interfered with the water rights of the downstream landowners



Ultimately it was mutually agreed between upstream and downstream water users that the best course of action was to blow up the structure



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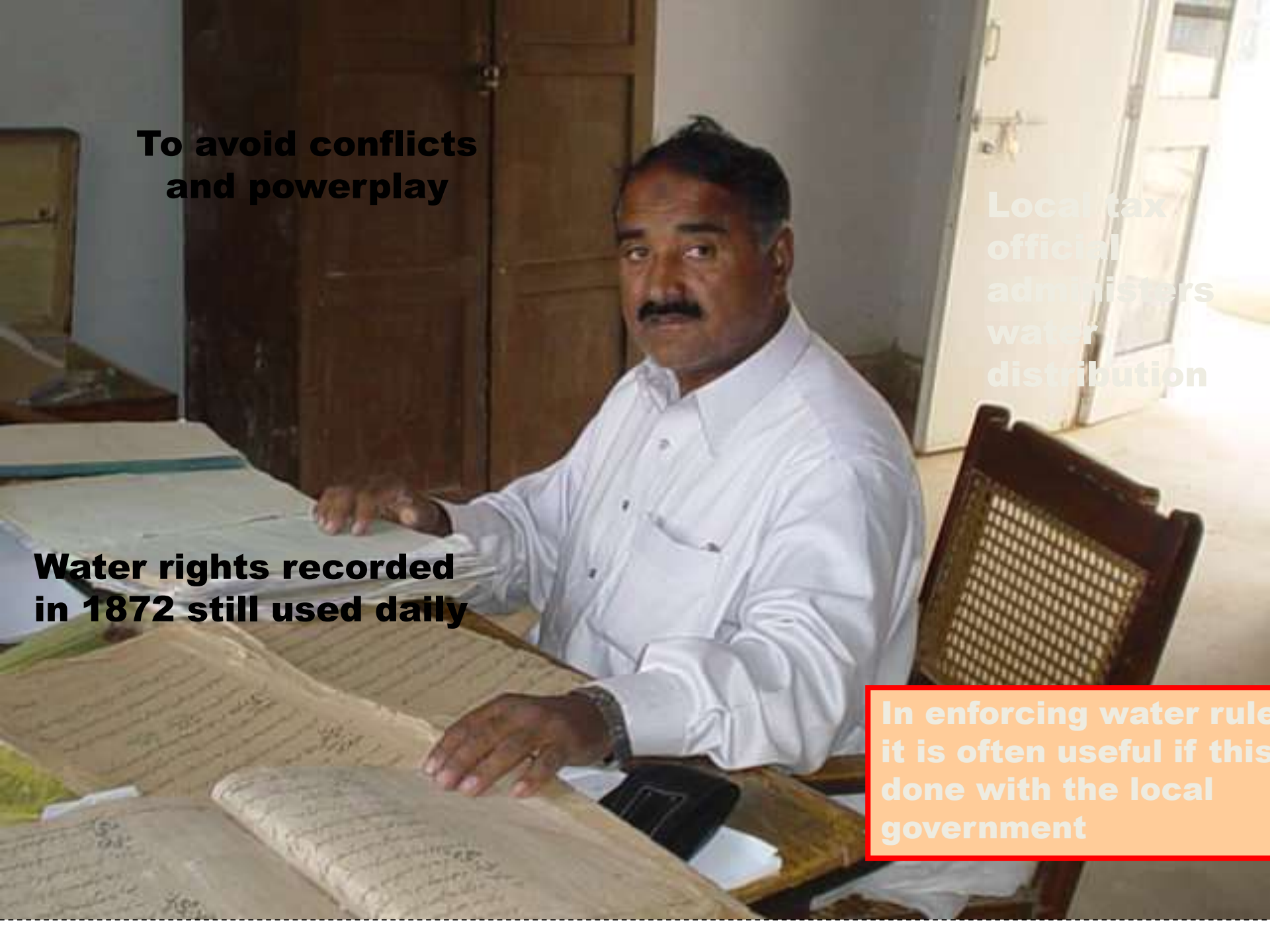
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**To avoid conflicts
and powerplay**

**Local tax
official
administers
water
distribution**

**Water rights recorded
in 1872 still used daily**

**In enforcing water rules
it is often useful if this
done with the local
government**



- Needs careful consideration while planning
- Helping to settle rights among share holders
- Sharing the experiences of similar situation
- Capacity building
- Documenting the rights by stakeholders in order to institutionalise the rights and rules
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