Determination of Realistic Facility Location in Bangladesh by using Center of Gravity Method

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Abstract — The facility location plays an important role in an industry's supply chain management to facilitate logistics management requirements, making the sourcing and distribution process smooth and fast. The purpose of this study is to determine the ideal place to determine the location of a garment industry. This research uses the Center of Gravity method to calculate the optimal location that will be considered. This method employs an (X-Y) coordinate system to cover the geographical map of the study areas and identifies the coordinates for the new facility's location. It endeavored to identify the optimal location for the garment industry in Bangladesh. It was pinpointed where the industry can obtain raw materials from various regions of the country and a market, labor force, and energy source. Information was gathered regarding the volume of business activity at existing facilities. From the results of this study, it was found that the selected facility's location at the coordinates (23.68497454, 90.5928119), the arable land of the village of Sreepatir Char, Sonargaon, Narayanganj, which is the centralized position according to the supplier's distance, market distance, and availability of labor. Finally, we have shown that the identified location is appropriate for the facility's placement.

Keywords — Center of Gravity Method, Optimal Location, Logistics Management, Location Coordinates.

I. INTRODUCTION

If an industry or company needs to be set up, then a suitable location or facilities for establishment must be in consideration [1]. It vies with defined the choice of the position for the company or facility. Location or facility settings limn a main part of the strategic dodging techniques of every company or organization. Moreover, albeit most probabilities evolve that location verdicts are one-time factors concerning new organizations or companies which subsist organizations once and again have a bigger trident in some model of selections than new companies. It commences with an in-depth in a very general way of the sakes companies should make facility decisions depending on some models, the characteristics of those selections, and a standard yield of the riving ping and selecting facility other ways.

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As the location decisions are very complicated and challenging to analyze, some accessible models could assist with recognizing the fitting location. Location models have been broadly discussed. Production location decision is the interaction that involves a model or part of a model as a device for pursuing choices to decide the best other option. In the model, it is expected to set or decide the variable to restrict the thought. Every variable comes from factors of better places, for example, production framework factors, supply chain factors, or even factors from the product life cycle and fluctuation of demand [2].

Suppose a company or an organization wanted to choose locations, so an organization should envisage certain factors. For instance, a manufacturing organization may elect to have an individual mean plant that spawns all the organization's products. This verdict can aid the organization in gaining economies of balance by decrementing the unit value albeit better utilization of arsenal and smearing of fixed values over exceeding units. Transportation values incurred in knowledge inputs from immensely dispersed suppliers and distributing finished goods from the plant to a highly dispersed market, will be very high. If there is a strike or a catastrophe such as fire or flooding, the ongoing organization's operations can come to a standstill.

Managers can acquire acceptable site choices through specialized location selection models and tactics based on location selection criteria. The specifications of several models are: the Center of Gravity Method of Plant Location, the Cost-Volume-Profit or Break-Even Analysis, the Point Rating Method, the Transportation Method of Linear Programming, and the Analytic Delphi Method.

It is typical for an organization's size and the nature or scope of its operations to influence how it tackles decisions regarding location heavily. When choosing a new site, startups and smaller businesses typically take a more relaxed approach. New businesses frequently shop in an area familiar to the proprietor because that is where they live. Similarly, managers of small businesses typically have a strong desire to keep activities inside their territory. As a result, they tend to focus almost exclusively on opportunities in their area.

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Large, well-established businesses, particularly those that are now being operated in more than one place, tend to take a strategy that is even more formal. In addition to this, they typically take into account a more diverse range of geographical locations. This article's primary topic of discussion is one approach that involves making formal area determinations.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Numerous significant geographical variables engaged with the area of individual businesses are of relative importance, e.g., raw materials, power assets, labor, water, markets, and transport facilities. However, other than such geographical elements impacting industrial position, historical, political, human, and economic variables currently tend to outperform the power of geographical benefits [3]. Obtaining materials has become worldwide. Commoditized inputs like steel have been purchased any place; they are generally modest and are delivered to where they are required. The organization will pick whichever source supplier has the least cost, including transport. Assuming that everyone has ever limb something on the web, for the most part, they need to realize which organization has the item with the least general overall cost [4]. There are contrasts in energy costs across space. For energy-concentrated modern exercises, subtle energy is fundamental. China rose from creating next to no steel years and years prior to driving this present reality. It utilizes low labor costs and an extremely modest energy source-huge supply of (highly-polluting) coal [5]. The current location is harmony between material, capital, labor, and markets. The objective is, in general, the least expensive.

The profitability of the facility does not depend on only the location, it also depends on the proper functioning of the equipment and its utilization. Such overall equipment's utilization factor calculation and improvement was shown in the Ready Made Garments (RMG) sector in Bangladesh. Some articles Proposes enhancing Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE) through a hybridized Total Maintenance (TPM) scheme, laying the foundation for implementing the TPM model in the plant to achieve sustainability and worldclass benchmarking [6]

In some cases, they were pushing down one class, similar to labor, and incrementing different expenses, similar to transportation. Hoag (1980) likewise brings up that a region with much modern land and adequate region for the foundation of a manufacturing plant is helpful for the modern turn of events. Many of these should be provincial explicit, for instance, on account of raw materials unevenly circulated worldwide [7]. If someone wants a coal mine shaft, situating it in a spot with coal is brilliant. This is the most outrageous type of limitation; however, remember that many spots have mineral riches, yet not everyone is currently separating that abundance. Many spots that would be contenders for asset extraction are not being utilized now because the assets cannot be removed and sold for a benefit [8]. The proximity of sources of raw material is the fundamental significance to distinguishing the area of industry. Closeness to the sources of raw substances would minimize the industry's manufacturing cost [9].

One more component affecting the location of an industry is the accessibility of modest power. Water, wind, coal, gas, oil, and electricity are the central wellsprings of power. Both water and wind power were broadly looked for at wellsprings of the power supply before the development of the steam motor. During the nineteenth century, closeness to coal fields became the chief finding effect on setting up new ventures, especially for severe businesses [10]. Promising chances to go electric can be likewise tracked down on the planet's plants and modern parks. The financial and natural advantages of utilizing electricity rather than fossil fuels are expanding for modern organizations. Today, around 20% of the energy consumed in the industry is electricity [11]. Most ventures buy electricity from electric utilities or free power makers. A few modern offices likewise create electricity for their utilization utilizing fuels they buy or potentially the buildups from their current cycles. For instance, many paper factories have consolidated intensity and power establishes that might consume bought natural gas or coal and dark alcohol created in their plants to process heat and produce electricity [12]. Combined Heat and Power (CHP) is an exceptionally productive interaction that catches the overabundance of heat and steam created during the assembly system and feeds it back into the framework [13]. Laborer mentality toward turnover, non-appearance, and comparable variables might contrast among possible areas - laborers in massive metropolitan places might display unexpected perspectives compared to laborers in modest communities or rural areas [5], [14]. Alfred Weber (1868-1958) was a significant supporter of geographic reasoning regarding modern areas. Weber extended the idea of involving the most reduced, generally speaking, expense for the location of industry. He created models that held many contributions to assembling consistently to exhibit the significance of transportation in deciding the most minimal expense [7], [15]. Sea transport represents over 90% of the world's exchange economy. Contrasted with air transportation, ships are fit for conveying monstrously heavier burdens for a negligible portion of the expense. Air transportation likewise has an immense degree contrasted with rail and ship freight. It is a consistently growing industry with a few thousand air terminals and runways in activity across the globe [16]. Air transport is more costly than truck transport because of the more significant expense of fuel and extra costs like tickets, upkeep, designated spots, and unique dealing with charges for specific materials, steel trailers, and that is just the beginning. At the point when ground coordinated factors are a choice, and reliable, fast conveyance is not needed, trucks are, in many cases, the more affordable choice. Air transport is excellent for organizations that can bear the cost of the expense and depend on quick shipments [14], [15]. A location that has better banking offices and insurance are the most ideal for the establishment of industries. There is a consistent feeling of dread toward harm to machines and men in industries for which insurance offices are severely required [16].

III. METHODOLOGY

A. Critical Factors in Facility Location Decision-Making

1) Proximity to sources of supply

To reduce transportation costs, firms that process bulk raw materials typically locate close to the supply source. The proximity of paper mills to forests, canneries to agricultural regions, and fish processing plants to the harbors where fishing vessels dock is typical.

2) Proximity to customers

There are numerous reasons why a business would choose to locate close to its customers. As with supermarkets, gas stations, fast food restaurants, and hospitals, service businesses must be close to customers to be convenient. Transportation costs can also necessitate proximity to customers, as in concrete production. Producing perishable goods close to their final market is typically necessary.

3) Labor factors

According to research, most location decisions are primarily influenced by labor factors, as labor is a crucial variable for many businesses. Labor factors include the prevailing wage rate for similar jobs in a community, the availability of qualified workers, and the average education level of the local population (percentage of high school graduates, etc.). Other labor factors can include the level of unionization, the general work ethic of a community, and other measures of absenteeism. Worker tenure can play a significant role in a company's location decision.

B. Steps Involved in the Study

We determined the coordinates of the existing facilities on two-dimensional plane or grid. Then, we collect information regarding the volume of business activity at existing facilities.

After that, the new coordinates are computed using the formulas.

- 1) Sensitivity analysis
- Natural resources,
- Power supply,
- Transportation routes,
- · Political issues.
- Government policies,
- 2) Banking facilities

Result and discussion: Finally, we determine a facility's optimal location based on our data analysis findings and recommendations.

C. Model Formulation of Center of Gravity Method

The center of gravity method is employed for locating single facilities considering existing services, the distances among them, and volumes of products becoming sent among them. To calculate a load distance for just about any area that is possible we make use of either of the distance actions and simply boost the loads moving to and from the facility by the distances traveled.

$$C_x = \frac{\sum d_{ix} v_i}{\sum v_i}; \qquad C_y = \frac{\sum d_{iy} v_i}{\sum v_i}; \tag{1}$$

 $C_x = X$ coordinate of center of gravity,

 $C_v = Y$ coordinate of center of gravity,

 $d_{ix} = X$ coordinate of the i'th location,

 d_{iv} =Y coordinate of the i'th location,

 V_i = Demand / Volume of goods moved to or from i'th location.

TABLE I: DATA ON RAW MATERIAL COLLECTION

| S/N | Supplier | Supplies | Factory Location | X-Y Coordinate | De | mand (| (%) |
|-----|---------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------------|----|--------|-----|
| 1 | Alltex Fabrics Limited | Fabric | Ariabo, Rupganj, Narayangonj | 23.74785, 90.54333 | 7 | 8 | 4 |
| 2 | Asian Fabrics Mills Ltd. | Fabric | Shashongaon, Fatullah, Narayangonj | 23.65678, 90.48449 | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| 3 | Fair Trade Fabrics Ltd. | Fabric | Shafipur, Kaliakoir, Gazipur | 24.07159, 90.22229 | 13 | 8 | 11 |
| 4 | H. H. Textile Mills Ltd. | Fabric | Rupshi, Rupgonj, Narayangonj | 23.73921, 90.52706 | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| 5 | A. G. Textile Mills Ltd. | Fabric | Gorai, Mirzapur, Tangail | 24.10010, 90.16048 | 3 | 3 | 5 |
| 6 | Newtop Textile BD. Ltd. | Fabric | Adamjee EPZ, Narayangonj | 23.67805, 90.52476 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | AB Textile Mills (BD.) Ltd. | Fabric | Madhabdi, Narsingdi | 23.84891, 90.67052 | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| 8 | Regent Textile Mills Ltd. | Fabric | Charkhidipur East Kalurghat Bandar, Chittagong | 22.35235, 91.89389 | 10 | 8 | 7 |
| 9 | Ring Shine Textiles Ltd. | Fabric | DEPZ, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka | 23.94757, 90.28175 | 12 | 14 | 8 |
| 10 | Saad Musa Fabrics Ltd. | Fabric | Kulgaon, Jalalabad, Chittagong | 22.40417, 91.82476 | 13 | 11 | 3 |
| 11 | Envoy Textiles Ltd. | Fabric | Jamirdia, Bhaluka, Mymensingh | 24.30684, 90.38625 | 7 | 9 | 10 |
| 12 | NZ Fabrics Ltd. | Fabric | Vulta, Rupgonj, Narayangonj | 23.78078, 90.56486 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
| 13 | Paramount Textile Ltd. | Fabric | Gillarchala, Sreepur, Gazipur | 24.19131, 90.42422 | 9 | 7 | 13 |
| 14 | Shasha Denims Ltd. | Denim | DEPZ, Savar, Dhaka | 23.94757, 90.28175 | 8 | 8 | 3 |
| 15 | Nice Denim Mills Ltd. | Denim | Mawna, Sreepur, Gazipur | 24.21154, 90.44107 | 14 | 21 | 9 |
| 16 | Ha-Meem Denim Ltd. | Denim | Mawna, Sreepur, Gazipur | 24.21154, 90.44107 | 7 | 9 | 17 |
| 17 | Square Denims Ltd. | Denim | Olipur, Habiganj | 24.28462, 91.37685 | 32 | 25 | 26 |
| 18 | Amber Denim Mills Ltd. | Denim | Rajendrapur, Gazipur | 24.09317, 90.37547 | 31 | 28 | 35 |
| 19 | Argon Denims Ltd | Denim | Sreepur, Gazipur | 23.83328, 90.41883 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 20 | Simtex Industries Ltd. | Thread | Savar, Dhaka | 23.88131, 90.38419 | 14 | 16 | 10 |
| 21 | Texus Accessories Ltd. | Thread | Halishahar, Chittagong | 22.32716, 91.77339 | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| 22 | BHT Industries Ltd | Thread | Nowjoor, Kadda, Gazipur | 24.07344, 90.35996 | 20 | 18 | 17 |
| 23 | Apex Yarn Dyeing Ltd. | Thread | Gulshan, Dhaka | 23.78853, 90.41624 | 17 | 15 | 15 |
| 24 | Fabian Thread Ltd. | Thread | Kalurghat, Chittagong | 22.45164, 91.85625 | 9 | 9 | 8 |
| 25 | Global Premium Accessories Ltd. | Thread | Rupnagar, Mirpur Dhaka | 23.87249, 90.36348 | 18 | 14 | 22 |
| 26 | R.S.S Thread & Accessories | Thread | Shantinagar, Dhaka | 23.89176, 90.42203 | 13 | 17 | 18 |
| 27 | Amin Associates Limited | Accessories | Dakhian Khan, Uttara, Dhaka | 23.87984, 90.40938 | 8 | 8 | 13 |
| 28 | Auko-Tex Ltd. | Accessories | Northern Rd, Dhaka | 23.81863, 90.41134 | 13 | 12 | 11 |
| 29 | S.A. Thread & Accessories Ltd. | Accessories | Gacha Road, Tongi, Dhaka | 23.94292, 90.36945 | 9 | 8 | 7 |

| S/N | Supplier | Supplies | Factory Location | X-Y Coordinate | De | mand (| %) |
|-----|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----|--------|---------------|
| 30 | Biswas Accessories Limited | Accessories | Kawran Bazar, Dhaka | 23.81358, 90.42579 | 5 | 6 | 12 |
| 31 | Masco Accessories Limited | Accessories | New Market, Dhaka | 23.74689, 90.39326 | 8 | 10 | 3 |
| 32 | N.M. Accessories Industry Ltd. | Accessories | Khilgaon, Dhaka | 23.76531, 90.36885 | 10 | 11 | 7 |
| 33 | Vertex Accessories International | Accessories | Rampura, Dhaka | 23.91512, 90.37339 | 9 | 11 | 8 |
| 34 | Import | Machinery/Accessories | Chittagong Port | 22.30976, 91.80185 | 18 | 16 | 22 |
| 35 | Import | Machinery/Accessories | Mongla Port | 22.54756, 89.59161 | 20 | 18 | 17 |

IV. DATA ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

Center of Gravity analysis is a technique for determining the optimal location for a centralized distribution center. In Bangladesh, we have endeavored to identify the optimal location for the garment industry. We have pinpointed where the industry can obtain raw materials from various regions of the country, as well as a market, labor force, and energy source. Using these attributes, we have added several points with X-Y coordinates to the map.

A. Raw Material Collection

Proximity of sources of raw material is the fundamental significance to distinguish the area of industry. Closeness to the sources of raw substances would minimize the cost of manufacturing in the industry. Here we found out the different suppliers of fabric, denim, thread, and accessory in Bangladesh for locating a garment manufacturing industry.

B. Distance to Market

Transport and distribution expenses can be limited by be nearer to the market. We put out the possible markets of garment to different districts in Bangladesh, X-Y coordinate, and the demand value for each location according to current scenario of market.

C. Labor Availability

Labor is accordingly vital for the assembling area. The labor needs of the plant will fluctuate contingent upon the idea of the creation interaction. In circumstances where a lot of gifted or semi-prepared labor is required, it could be favorable to find a region close to suburbia since it is more open to laboring suburbia and the cost of land is more affordable. In this manner, the businesses nearest to suburbia could be sold at a greater cost. As before we found out the densely populated areas for different districts in Bangladesh where labors are available with low cost.

D. Data Calculation

In the data analysis part, we created appendix tables by putting all X-coordinates (dix), Y-coordinates (diy), and demands (Vi) got from data analysis tables for raw material collection, distance to market, and labor availability. We have calculated dix. Vi and div. Vi in Excel. Finally, we calculated the X coordinate of center of gravity (Cx) and Y coordinate of center of gravity (C_y) based on three fluctuating demands.

E. Discussion

For calculation, three fluctuating demands have been taken; here, three different calculations were done varying on those demands. The value of the X coordinate of the center of gravity and the Y coordinate of the center of gravity depends on demand. Three locations were found for those three different demand samples, which will be examined under sensitivity analysis in the next step.

| S/N | District Name | Division | X-Y Coordinate | De | mand (% | (o) |
|-----|---------------|------------|----------------------|----|---------|-----|
| | Dhaka | | 23.764649, 90.360750 | 25 | 23 | 22 |
| | Gazipur | | 24.000098, 90.419786 | 12 | 14 | 17 |
| 1 | Narayanganj | Dhaka | 23.615809, 90.50161 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| | Narsingdi | | 23.921906, 90.719442 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| | Tangail | | 24.252824, 89.915055 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 2 | Chattogram | C1 | 22.336708, 91.832084 | 18 | 16 | 16 |
| 2 | Cumilla | Chattogram | 23.456793, 91.187830 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| | Jamalpur | | 24.924877, 89.948955 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 3 | Mymensingh | Mymensingh | 24.924877, 89.948955 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| | Netrokona | | 24.885768, 90.730201 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | Natore | | 24.410158, 88.977154 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | Pabna | Rajshahi | 24.022750, 89.249319 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| | Rajshahi | | 24.364620, 88.603150 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| 5 | Jessore | Khulna | 23.177068, 89.212430 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | Khulna | Kiiuilia | 22.844631, 89.538658 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| 6 | Barishal | Barishal | 22.702686, 90.368490 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| O | Patuakhali | Darishai | 22.357717, 90.341227 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 7 | Moulvibazar | Cryllant | 24.490496, 91.771534 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| / | Sylhet | Sylhet | 24.891553, 91.870255 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| 8 | Dinajpur | D | 25.644021, 88.647090 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 8 | Rangpur | Rangpur | 25.752355, 89.253395 | 3 | 3 | 4 |

| TABLE III: | DATA ON | LABOR A | VAILABILITY |
|------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| | | | |

| S/N | District | Areas | X, Y Coordinate | Den | nand (% | %) |
|-----|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----|---------|------------|
| | | Savar | 23.88445, 90.26136 | 9 | 8 | 7 |
| | | Keraniganj | 23.68892, 90.33582 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| 1 | Dhaka | Dohar | 23.61751, 90.11889 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| | | Nawabganj | 23.67017, 90.17563 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| | | Dhamrai | 23.918156, 90.21570 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| | | Gazipur Sadar | 23.98057, 90.40649 | 6 | 6 | 8 |
| | | Kapasia | 24.16423, 90.60495 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 2 | Comingue | Tongi | 23.91072, 90.37442 | 6 | 6 | 2 |
| Z | Gazipur | Sreepur | 24.20212, 90.49342 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| | | Kaliganj | 23.96828, 90.56160 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | | Kaliakior | 24.06852, 90.22127 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| | | Bandor | 23.64437, 90.54758 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| 3 | Narayanganj | Rupganj | 23.88599, 90.51874 | 7 | 6 | 6 |
| | | Araihazar | 23.79466, 90.65420 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| | | Narsingdi Sadar | 23.87660, 90.70590 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | Narsingdi | Palash | 23.98032, 90.64634 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| | | Monohardi | 24.17079, 90.71570 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| | | Bhaluka | 24.40471, 90.38688 | 6 | 6 | 5 |
| 5 | Mymensingh | Trishal | 24.57554, 90.41223 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| | | Ishwarganj | 24.69270, 90.59798 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| | | Anwara | 22.23269, 91.85188 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| | C1 : | Mirsharai | 22.77657, 91.56979 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 6 | Chittagong | Lohagara | 21.98898, 92.10469 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| | | Patiya | 22.29467, 91.97396 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| | | Cumilla Sadar | 23.46201, 91.12759 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 7 | Cumilla | Chandina | 23.49034, 91.00713 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | | Muradnagar | 23.64394, 90.91506 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | | Phultala | 22.97696, 89.45806 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| 8 | Khulna | Rupsha | 22.82420, 89.63461 | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| | | Mongla | 22.18283, 89.61488 | 1 | 1 | 3 |

V. COMPUTATIONAL RESULTS

A. Identified Locations

The accumulated data was calculated from the data analysis and identified realistic facility locations. Three locations were found, and their (X, Y) coordinates are (23.66854636, 90.6060552), (23.68497454, 90.5928119),and (23.70186785, 90.5897). Those locations are appropriate for locating a garment factory and finding a centralized position based on the raw material collection, distance to market, and availability of labor. It will make it possible to optimize the overall cost and supply chain. The sourcing and distribution will become more accessible through locating the facility in those locations.

TARLE IV. IDENTIFIED LOCATIONS

| 1A | TABLE IV: IDENTIFIED LOCATIONS | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| No. of Location | Cx, Cy | Geographical Location | | | | |
| 1 | 23.66854636, | Hamchadi, Sonargaon, | | | | |
| 1 | 90.6060552 | Narayanganj | | | | |
| 2 | 23.68497454, | Sreepatir Char, Sonargaon, | | | | |
| 2 | 90.5928119 | Narayanganj | | | | |
| 3 | 23.70186785, | Kanda Para, Sonargaon, | | | | |
| 3 | 90.5897 | Narayanganj | | | | |



Fig. 1. Google map view of identified first location.



Fig. 2. Google map view of identified second location.



Fig. 3. Google map view of identified third location.

VI. CONCLUSION

The Center of Gravity method has been used to identify the centralized location for a garment industry in Bangladesh based on supplier distance, market distance, and labor availability. This paper's first objective is to determine the optimal location for locating a facility. The optimal location was identified for the garment industry in Hamchadi, Sreepatir Char, and Kanda Para in Sonargaon, Narayanganj. The finding locations have been discussed, and it has been concluded that Sreepatir Char is the most appropriate location

for locating the garment facility based on sourcing raw materials and garment accessories, distribution of goods to market, and workforce availability. Finally, this paper reveals the acceptability of this location as most appropriate because of its ease of accessing the routes by using roads and waterways for the supply chain, excellent availability of natural resources, power supply, and overall its location in an industrial area which will add a great value and advantages for production and distribution. Though the research goals have been achieved, there were also some limitations. This work is developed adequately through a theoretical process. In this process, it can be different in the practical field. Another area for improvement is that we use the Center of Gravity method, but several methods can be used as efficiently in locating the facility.

The data we used for selecting the facility location can vary on factors like factorized's product types, market demand, order quantity, buyer's recommendations, and variables like political environment, natural disasters, economic environment, and overall conditions.

There are some recommendations for future work. Only the location was identified in this paper, but sensitivity analysis can be done to make it more appropriate and acceptable. Secondly, there is a huge chance of using different tools like IncenTrac, Geocision, and LaborCast for better prediction through deriving more accurate forecasts.

Finally, the exact result can be found by implementing actual demands in the Center of Gravity equation. The study can be conducted on other organizations, i.e., the Cement industry, automobile industry, furniture manufacturing industry, electronics showroom, restaurants, etc.

APPENDIX

| W.C. P | | IN EXCEL BASED ON FIRE | | * ** |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, diy | Demand, Vi | d _{ix} .V _i | d _{iy} .V _i |
| 23.74785 | 90.54333 | 7 | 166.23495 | 633.80331 |
| 23.65678 | 90.48449 | 9 | 212.91102 | 814.36041 |
| 24.07159 | 90.22229 | 13 | 312.93067 | 1172.88977 |
| 23.73921 | 90.52706 | 5 | 118.69605 | 452.6353 |
| 24.1001 | 90.16048 | 3 | 72.3003 | 270.48144 |
| 23.67805 | 90.52476 | 4 | 94.7122 | 362.09904 |
| 23.84891 | 90.67052 | 2 | 47.69782 | 181.34104 |
| 22.35235 | 91.89389 | 10 | 223.5235 | 918.9389 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 12 | 287.37084 | 1083.381 |
| 22.40417 | 91.82476 | 13 | 291.25421 | 1193.72188 |
| 24.30684 | 90.38625 | 7 | | 632.70375 |
| | | 6 | 170.14788 | |
| 23.78078 | 90.56486 | | 142.68468 | 543.38916 |
| 24.19131 | 90.42422 | 9 | 217.72179 | 813.81798 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 8 | 191.58056 | 722.254 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 14 | 338.96156 | 1266.17498 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 7 | 169.48078 | 633.08749 |
| 24.28462 | 91.37685 | 32 | 777.10784 | 2924.0592 |
| 24.09317 | 90.37547 | 31 | 746.88827 | 2801.63957 |
| 23.83328 | 90.41883 | 8 | 190.66624 | 723.35064 |
| 23.88131 | 90.38419 | 14 | 334.33834 | 1265.37866 |
| 22.32716 | 91.77339 | 9 | 200.94444 | 825.96051 |
| 24.07344 | 90.35996 | 20 | 481.4688 | 1807.1992 |
| 23.78853 | 90.41624 | 17 | 404.40501 | 1537.07608 |
| 22.45164 | 91.85625 | 9 | 202.06476 | 826.70625 |
| 23.87249 | 90.36348 | 18 | 429.70482 | 1626.54264 |
| 23.89176 | 90.42203 | 13 | 310.59288 | 1175.48639 |
| 23.87984 | 90.40938 | 8 | 191.03872 | 723.27504 |
| 23.81863 | 90.41134 | 13 | 309.64219 | 1175.34742 |
| 23.94292 | 90.36945 | 9 | 215.48628 | 813.32505 |
| 23.81358 | 90.42579 | 5 | 119.0679 | 452.12895 |
| 23.74689 | 90.39326 | 8 | 189.97512 | 723.14608 |
| | | 10 | | |
| 23.76531 | 90.36885 | | 237.6531 | 903.6885 |
| 23.91512 | 90.37339 | 9 | 215.23608 | 813.36051 |
| 22.30976 | 91.80185 | 18 | 401.57568 | 1652.4333 |
| 22.54756 | 89.59161 | 20 | 450.9512 | 1791.8322 |
| 23.764649 | 90.36075 | 25 | 594.116225 | 2259.01875 |
| 24.000098 | 90.419786 | 12 | 288.001176 | 1085.037432 |
| 23.615809 | 90.501612 | 6 | 141.694854 | 543.009672 |
| 23.921906 | 90.719442 | 3 | 71.765718 | 272.158326 |
| 24.252824 | 89.915055 | 1 | 24.252824 | 89.915055 |
| 22.336708 | 91.832084 | 18 | 402.060744 | 1652.977512 |
| 23.456793 | 91.18783 | 2 | 46.913586 | 182.37566 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 1 | 24.924877 | 89.948955 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 4 | 99.699508 | 359.79582 |
| 24.885768 | 90.730201 | 1 | 24.885768 | 90.730201 |
| 24.410158 | 88.977154 | 3 | 73.230474 | 266.931462 |
| 24.02275 | 89.249319 | 1 | 24.02275 | 89.249319 |
| 24.36462 | 88.60315 | 4 | 97.45848 | 354.4126 |
| 23.177068 | 89.21243 | 1 | 23.177068 | 89.21243 |
| 22.844631 | 89.538658 | 4 | 91.378524 | 358.154632 |
| 22.702686 | 90.36849 | 3 | 68.108058 | 271.10547 |
| 22.357717 | 90.341227 | 2 | 44.715434 | 180.682454 |
| | | | | |
| 24.490496 | 91.771534 | 1 | 24.490496 | 91.771534 |
| 24.891553 | 91.870255 | 3 | 74.674659 | 275.610765 |
| 25.644021 | 88.64709 | 2 | 51.288042 | 177.29418 |
| 25.752355 | 89.253395 | 3 | 77.257065 | 267.760185 |
| 23.88445 | 90.26136 | 9 | 214.96005 | 812.35224 |

| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, diy | Demand, Vi | $\mathbf{d_{ix}.V_{i}}$ | $d_{iy}V_i$ |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 23.68892 | 90.33582 | 3 | 71.06676 | 271.00746 |
| 23.61751 | 90.11889 | 4 | 94.47004 | 360.47556 |
| 23.67017 | 90.17563 | 3 | 71.01051 | 270.52689 |
| 23.918156 | 90.2157 | 6 | 143.508936 | 541.2942 |
| 23.98057 | 90.40649 | 6 | 143.88342 | 542.43894 |
| 24.16423 | 90.60495 | 1 | 24.16423 | 90.60495 |
| 23.91072 | 90.37442 | 6 | 143.46432 | 542.24652 |
| 24.20212 | 90.49342 | 2 | 48.40424 | 180.98684 |
| 23.96828 | 90.5616 | 1 | 23.96828 | 90.5616 |
| 24.06852 | 90.22127 | 2 | 48.13704 | 180.44254 |
| 23.64437 | 90.54758 | 5 | 118.22185 | 452.7379 |
| 23.88599 | 90.51874 | 7 | 167.20193 | 633.63118 |
| 23.79466 | 90.6542 | 3 | 71.38398 | 271.9626 |
| 23.8766 | 90.7059 | 2 | 47.7532 | 181.4118 |
| 23.98032 | 90.64634 | 4 | 95.92128 | 362.58536 |
| 24.17079 | 90.7157 | 2 | 48.34158 | 181.4314 |
| 24.40471 | 90.38688 | 6 | 146.42826 | 542.32128 |
| 24.57554 | 90.41223 | 2 | 49.15108 | 180.82446 |
| 24.6927 | 90.59798 | 2 | 49.3854 | 181.19596 |
| 22.23269 | 91.85188 | 3 | 66.69807 | 275.55564 |
| 22.77657 | 91.56979 | 8 | 182.21256 | 732.55832 |
| 21.98898 | 92.10469 | 2 | 43.97796 | 184.20938 |
| 22.29467 | 91.97396 | 2 | 44.58934 | 183.94792 |
| 23.46201 | 91.12759 | 2 | 46.92402 | 182.25518 |
| 23.49034 | 91.00713 | 1 | 23.49034 | 91.00713 |
| 23.64394 | 90.91506 | 1 | 23.64394 | 90.91506 |
| 22.97696 | 89.45806 | 1 | 22.97696 | 89.45806 |
| 22.8242 | 89.63461 | 3 | 68.4726 | 268.90383 |
| 22.18283 | 89.61488 | 1 | 22.18283 | 89.61488 |
| - | - | 600 | 14201.12782 | 54363.63313 |
| - | - | $\sum V_i$ | Σ dix.Vi | ∑diy.Vi |

| TARIF VI. DATA | CALCIII ATION IN EXCEL | BASED ON SECOND | SAMPLE DEMANDS |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|

| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, diy | Demand, Vi | dix.Vi | d _{iy} .V _i |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 23.74785 | 90.54333 | 8 | 189.9828 | 724.34664 |
| 23.65678 | 90.48449 | 11 | 260.22458 | 995.32939 |
| 24.07159 | 90.22229 | 8 | 192.57272 | 721.77832 |
| 23.73921 | 90.52706 | 5 | 118.69605 | 452.6353 |
| 24.1001 | 90.16048 | 3 | 72.3003 | 270.48144 |
| 23.67805 | 90.52476 | 5 | 118.39025 | 452.6238 |
| 23.84891 | 90.67052 | 3 | 71.54673 | 272.01156 |
| 22.35235 | 91.89389 | 8 | 178.8188 | 735.15112 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 14 | 335.26598 | 1263.9445 |
| 22.40417 | 91.82476 | 11 | 246.44587 | 1010.07236 |
| 24.30684 | 90.38625 | 9 | 218.76156 | 813.47625 |
| 23.78078 | 90.56486 | 8 | 190.24624 | 724.51888 |
| 24.19131 | 90.42422 | 7 | 169.33917 | 632.96954 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 8 | 191.58056 | 722.254 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 21 | 508.44234 | 1899.26247 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 9 | 217.90386 | 813.96963 |
| 24.28462 | 91.37685 | 25 | 607.1155 | 2284.42125 |
| 24.09317 | 90.37547 | 28 | 674.60876 | 2530.51316 |
| 23.83328 | 90.41883 | 9 | 214.49952 | 813.76947 |
| 23.88131 | 90.38419 | 16 | 382.10096 | 1446.14704 |
| 22.32716 | 91.77339 | 11 | 245.59876 | 1009.50729 |
| 24.07344 | 90.35996 | 18 | 433.32192 | 1626.47928 |
| 23.78853 | 90.41624 | 15 | 356.82795 | 1356.2436 |
| 22.45164 | 91.85625 | 9 | 202.06476 | 826.70625 |
| 23.87249 | 90.36348 | 14 | 334.21486 | 1265.08872 |
| 23.89176 | 90.42203 | 17 | 406.15992 | 1537.17451 |
| 23.87984 | 90.40938 | 8 | 191.03872 | 723.27504 |
| 23.81863 | 90.40338 | 12 | 285.82356 | 1084.93608 |
| 23.94292 | 90.36945 | 8 | 191.54336 | 722.9556 |
| 23.94292 | 90.42579 | 6 | 142.88148 | 542.55474 |
| 23.74689 | 90.39326 | 10 | 237.4689 | 903.9326 |
| 23.76531 | 90.36885 | 11 | 261.41841 | 994.05735 |
| | | 11 | | |
| 23.91512 22.30976 | 90.37339 | 16 | 263.06632 | 994.10729 |
| 22.54756 | 91.80185 89.59161 | 18 | 356.95616 405.85608 | 1468.8296 |
| | | | | 1612.64898 |
| 23.764649 | 90.36075 | 23 | 546.586927 | 2078.29725 |
| 24.000098 | 90.419786 | 14 | 336.001372 | 1265.877004 |
| 23.615809 | 90.501612 | 5 | 118.079045 | 452.50806 |
| 23.921906 | 90.719442 | 4 | 95.687624 | 362.877768 |
| 24.252824 | 89.915055 | 1 | 24.252824 | 89.915055 |
| 22.336708 | 91.832084 | 16 | 357.387328 | 1469.313344 |
| 23.456793 | 91.18783 | 4 | 93.827172 | 364.75132 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 1 | 24.924877 | 89.948955 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 3 | 74.774631 | 269.846865 |
| 24.885768 | 90.730201 | 1 | 24.885768 | 90.730201 |
| 24.410158 | 88.977154 | 3 | 73.230474 | 266.931462 |
| 24.02275 | 89.249319 | 2 | 48.0455 | 178.498638 |
| 24.36462 | 88.60315 | 4 | 97.45848 | 354.4126 |
| 23.177068 | 89.21243 | 1 | 23.177068 | 89.21243 |

| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, d _{iy} | Demand, Vi | dix.Vi | diy.Vi |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 22.844631 | 89.538658 | 3 | 68.533893 | 268.615974 |
| 22.702686 | 90.36849 | 3 | 68.108058 | 271.10547 |
| 22.357717 | 90.341227 | 2 | 44.715434 | 180.682454 |
| 24.490496 | 91.771534 | 2 | 48.980992 | 183.543068 |
| 24.891553 | 91.870255 | 3 | 74.674659 | 275.610765 |
| 25.644021 | 88.64709 | 2 | 51.288042 | 177.29418 |
| 25.752355 | 89.253395 | 3 | 77.257065 | 267.760185 |
| 23.88445 | 90.26136 | 8 | 191.0756 | 722.09088 |
| 23.68892 | 90.33582 | 3 | 71.06676 | 271.00746 |
| 23.61751 | 90.11889 | 4 | 94.47004 | 360.47556 |
| 23.67017 | 90.17563 | 3 | 71.01051 | 270.52689 |
| 23.918156 | 90.2157 | 5 | 119.59078 | 451.0785 |
| 23.98057 | 90.40649 | 6 | 143.88342 | 542.43894 |
| 24.16423 | 90.60495 | 2 | 48.32846 | 181.2099 |
| 23.91072 | 90.37442 | 6 | 143,46432 | 542.24652 |
| 24.20212 | 90.49342 | 3 | 72.60636 | 271.48026 |
| 23.96828 | 90.5616 | 1 | 23.96828 | 90.5616 |
| 24.06852 | 90.22127 | 2 | 48.13704 | 180.44254 |
| 23.64437 | 90.54758 | 4 | 94.57748 | 362.19032 |
| 23.88599 | 90.51874 | 6 | 143.31594 | 543.11244 |
| 23.79466 | 90.6542 | 3 | 71.38398 | 271.9626 |
| 23.8766 | 90.7059 | 2 | 47.7532 | 181.4118 |
| 23.98032 | 90.64634 | 3 | 71.94096 | 271.93902 |
| 24.17079 | 90.7157 | 2 | 48.34158 | 181.4314 |
| 24.40471 | 90.38688 | 6 | 146.42826 | 542.32128 |
| 24.57554 | 90.41223 | 3 | 73.72662 | 271.23669 |
| 24.6927 | 90.59798 | 3 | 74.0781 | 271.79394 |
| 22.23269 | 91.85188 | 3 | 66.69807 | 275.55564 |
| 22.77657 | 91.56979 | 6 | 136.65942 | 549.41874 |
| 21.98898 | 92.10469 | 3 | 65.96694 | 276.31407 |
| 22.29467 | 91.97396 | 3 | 66.88401 | 275.92188 |
| 23.46201 | 91.12759 | 2 | 46.92402 | 182.25518 |
| 23.49034 | 91.00713 | 1 | 23,49034 | 91.00713 |
| 23.64394 | 90.91506 | 1 | 23.64394 | 90.91506 |
| 22.97696 | 89.45806 | 2 | 45.95392 | 178.91612 |
| 22.8242 | 89.63461 | 3 | 68.4726 | 268.90383 |
| 22.18283 | 89.61488 | 1 | 22.18283 | 89.61488 |
| | - | 600 | 14210.98472 | 54355.68717 |
| _ | _ | $\sum V_i$ | ∑dix.Vi | Σdiv.Vi |

| TABLE VII: DATA CALCULATION IN EXCEL BASED ON THIRD | SAMPLE DEMANDS |
|---|----------------|
|---|----------------|

| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, diy | Demand, Vi | $d_{ix}.V_i$ | $d_{iy}.V_i$ |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 23.74785 | 90.54333 | 4 | 94.9914 | 362.17332 |
| 23.65678 | 90.48449 | 10 | 236.5678 | 904.8449 |
| 24.07159 | 90.22229 | 11 | 264.78749 | 992.44519 |
| 23.73921 | 90.52706 | 7 | 166.17447 | 633.68942 |
| 24.1001 | 90.16048 | 5 | 120.5005 | 450.8024 |
| 23.67805 | 90.52476 | 6 | 142.0683 | 543.14856 |
| 23.84891 | 90.67052 | 7 | 166.94237 | 634.69364 |
| 22.35235 | 91.89389 | 7 | 156.46645 | 643.25723 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 8 | 191.58056 | 722.254 |
| 22.40417 | 91.82476 | 3 | 67.21251 | 275.47428 |
| 24.30684 | 90.38625 | 10 | 243.0684 | 903.8625 |
| 23.78078 | 90.56486 | 9 | 214.02702 | 815.08374 |
| 24.19131 | 90.42422 | 13 | 314.48703 | 1175.51486 |
| 23.94757 | 90.28175 | 3 | 71.84271 | 270.84525 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 9 | 217.90386 | 813.96963 |
| 24.21154 | 90.44107 | 17 | 411.59618 | 1537.49819 |
| 24.28462 | 91.37685 | 26 | 631.40012 | 2375.7981 |
| 24.09317 | 90.37547 | 35 | 843.26095 | 3163.14145 |
| 23.83328 | 90.41883 | 10 | 238.3328 | 904.1883 |
| 23.88131 | 90.38419 | 10 | 238.8131 | 903.8419 |
| 22.32716 | 91.77339 | 10 | 223.2716 | 917.7339 |
| 24.07344 | 90.35996 | 17 | 409.24848 | 1536.11932 |
| 23.78853 | 90.41624 | 15 | 356.82795 | 1356.2436 |
| 22.45164 | 91.85625 | 8 | 179.61312 | 734.85 |
| 23.87249 | 90.36348 | 22 | 525.19478 | 1987.99656 |
| 23.89176 | 90.42203 | 18 | 430.05168 | 1627.59654 |
| 23.87984 | 90.40938 | 13 | 310.43792 | 1175.32194 |
| 23.81863 | 90.41134 | 11 | 262.00493 | 994.52474 |
| 23.94292 | 90.36945 | 7 | 167.60044 | 632.58615 |
| 23.81358 | 90.42579 | 12 | 285.76296 | 1085.10948 |
| 23.74689 | 90.39326 | 3 | 71.24067 | 271.17978 |
| 23.76531 | 90.36885 | 7 | 166.35717 | 632.58195 |
| 23.91512 | 90.37339 | 8 | 191.32096 | 722.98712 |
| 22.30976 | 91.80185 | 22 | 490.81472 | 2019.6407 |
| 22.54756 | 89.59161 | 17 | 383.30852 | 1523.05737 |
| 23.764649 | 90.36075 | 22 | 522.822278 | 1987.9365 |
| 24.000098 | 90.419786 | 17 | 408.001666 | 1537.136362 |
| 23.615809 | 90.501612 | 3 | 70.847427 | 271.504836 |

| X-Coordinate, dix | Y-Coordinate, diy | Demand, Vi | dix.Vi | d _{iy} .V _i |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------------|
| 23.921906 | 90.719442 | 2 | 47.843812 | 181.438884 |
| 24.252824 | 89.915055 | 3 | 72.758472 | 269.745165 |
| 22.336708 | 91.832084 | 16 | 357.387328 | 1469.31334 |
| 23.456793 | 91.18783 | 6 | 140.740758 | 547.12698 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 3 | 74.774631 | 269.84686 |
| 24.924877 | 89.948955 | 1 | 24.924877 | 89.948955 |
| 24.885768 | 90.730201 | 2 | 49.771536 | 181.460402 |
| 24.410158 | 88.977154 | 3 | 73.230474 | 266.931462 |
| 24.02275 | 89.249319 | 4 | 96.091 | 356.99727 |
| 24.36462 | 88.60315 | 1 | 24.36462 | 88.60315 |
| 23.177068 | 89.21243 | 2 | 46.354136 | 178.42486 |
| 22.844631 | 89.538658 | 3 | 68.533893 | 268.61597 |
| 22.702686 | 90.36849 | 4 | 90.810744 | 361.47396 |
| 22.357717 | 90.341227 | 1 | 22.357717 | 90.341227 |
| 24.490496 | 91.771534 | 2 | 48.980992 | 183.543068 |
| 24.891553 | 91.870255 | 2 | 49.783106 | 183.74051 |
| 25.644021 | 88.64709 | 1 | 25.644021 | 88.64709 |
| 25.752355 | 89.253395 | 4 | 103.00942 | 357.01358 |
| 23.88445 | 90.26136 | 7 | 167.19115 | 631.82952 |
| 23.68892 | 90.33582 | 4 | 94.75568 | 361.34328 |
| 23.61751 | 90.11889 | 3 | 70.85253 | 270.35667 |
| 23.67017 | 90.17563 | 6 | 142.02102 | 541.05378 |
| 23.918156 | 90.2157 | 5 | 119.59078 | 451.0785 |
| 23.98057 | 90.40649 | 8 | 191.84456 | 723.25192 |
| 24.16423 | 90.60495 | 3 | 72.49269 | 271.81485 |
| 23.91072 | 90.37442 | 2 | 47.82144 | 180.74884 |
| 24.20212 | 90.49342 | 5 | 121.0106 | 452.4671 |
| 23.96828 | 90.49342 | 2 | 47.93656 | 181.1232 |
| 24.06852 | 90.22127 | 1 | 24.06852 | 90.22127 |
| | 90.22127 | 5 | 118.22185 | 452.7379 |
| 23.64437 | 90.54758 | 6 | 143.31594 | 543.11244 |
| 23.88599 | | 4 | | |
| 23.79466 | 90.6542 | 3 | 95.17864 | 362.6168 |
| 23.8766 | 90.7059 | | 71.6298 | 272.1177 |
| 23.98032 | 90.64634 | 2 | 47.96064 | 181.29268 |
| 24.17079 | 90.7157 | 3 | 72.51237 | 272.1471 |
| 24.40471 | 90.38688 | 5 | 122.02355 | 451.9344 |
| 24.57554 | 90.41223 | 3 | 73.72662 | 271.23669 |
| 24.6927 | 90.59798 | 2 | 49.3854 | 181.19596 |
| 22.23269 | 91.85188 | 6 | 133.39614 | 551.11128 |
| 22.77657 | 91.56979 | 5 | 113.88285 | 457.84895 |
| 21.98898 | 92.10469 | 3 | 65.96694 | 276.31407 |
| 22.29467 | 91.97396 | 1 | 22.29467 | 91.97396 |
| 23.46201 | 91.12759 | 1 | 23.46201 | 91.12759 |
| 23.49034 | 91.00713 | 2 | 46.98068 | 182.01426 |
| 23.64394 | 90.91506 | 1 | 23.64394 | 90.91506 |
| 22.97696 | 89.45806 | 1 | 22.97696 | 89.45806 |
| 22.8242 | 89.63461 | 1 | 22.8242 | 89.63461 |
| 22.18283 | 89.61488 | 3 | 66.54849 | 268.84464 |
| - | - | 605 | 14339.63 | 54806.769 |
| - | - | \sum Vi | ∑dix.Vi | ∑diy.Vi |

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