Appendix 2. Multicriteria analysis of potential set of measures recommended by the key informants to address the observed causes of salinity increase

Sl. No.	Potential measures		Criteria*					
			Effectiveness	Side effects	Cost	Feasibility	Uncertainty	Score
1.	Short	Planned shrimp farming practice	+++	+++	+++	++	+++	14
2.		Functional management of the existing polders	+++	+++	-	++	-	6
4.		Periodic/scheduled (re)-excavation	+++	+++		++	-	5
5.		Strengthen and heighten the existing embankments	++	++	-	+	-	
6.		Reduce dependency on ground water extraction for upstream irrigation	+	+++	-	+		2
7.		To be active in transboundary negotiation process on water sharing	+	+++	+	+		3
8.	Mid- term	Designing land management practice	++	+++	-	++	-	5
9		Planned infrastructural development in water resource management	+++	+++		+++	-	5
10.		TRM along with sediment management practice	+++	+++	+++	++	+++	14
11.		Administrative unit wise assessment on demand of water for different category enforcement of Water Act 2013 on priority basis;	++	+++	-	++	-	5
12.		Develop upstream water management strategy for dry season	+	+++	-	+	-	3
13.		Enforcement of Water Act 2013 on priority basis	++	+++		+	+	5
14.	Long	Land use zoning	+++	+++	+	+++	+	11
15.		Integrated management of different systems	++	++		++	-	3
16.		Continuous monitoring on river flow and sedimentation rate	+++	+++		+++	-	5
17.		Delta plan/Integrated long term plan for the coast	+++	+++		+++	+	8
18. 19.		Water budget and allocation plan Ganges barrage	++ +++	+++ +++		++ +++	++++	6 7

 $^{^*}$ For description with score card for the selected criteria please see Table 1