



On $N(k)$ -Quasi Einstein Manifolds Admitting a Conharmonic Curvature Tensor

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Abstract In this paper, quasi Einstein manifolds whose characteristic vector field ξ belongs to k -nullity distribution are called $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds. Firstly, we have shown that a conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold is an $N\left(\frac{2a+b}{n-2}\right)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Later, we consider $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds satisfying the conditions $\tilde{H}(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ and $\tilde{H}(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$. Moreover, we also studied conharmonically pseudo-symmetric and conharmonically conservative $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds.

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1. INTRODUCTION

An n -dimensional Riemannian or pseudo-Riemannian manifolds whose Ricci tensor S satisfies the relation $S = \mu g$, where μ is a non-zero constant are called Einstein manifolds which are very essential tools for the differential geometry and mathematical physics especially in the field of general theory of relativity. As a generalization of Einstein manifolds, authors Chaki and Maity [8] have developed a type of manifold called quasi Einstein manifold whose Ricci tensor S is defined by

$$S(U, X) = ag(U, X) + b\eta(U)\eta(X), \quad (1.1)$$

for all U, X in TM^n , where a and b are non-zero smooth functions and η is a non zero 1-form such that

$$g(V, \xi) = \eta(V), \quad g(\xi, \xi) = \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad (1.2)$$

for all V in TM^n , ξ is the associated unit vector field. The 1-form η is called the associated 1-form and the unit vector field ξ is called the generator of the manifold. Now

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it can be easily seen that Ricci tensor of an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds has precisely two distinct eigenvalues a and $a + b$, where a is of multiplicity $(n - 1)$ and $a + b$ is simple. In particular, if ξ is a parallel vector field then the quasi Einstein manifold is locally isometric to a product manifold of one dimensional distribution U and $(n - 1)$ dimensional distribution U^\perp [13]. The hypothesis of quasi Einstein manifolds have been weakened by Chaki [19], Guha [19], De and Ghosh [10], Deszcz et. al., [12] and many others with different geometrical properties.

Let M^n be an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold, then the k -nullity distribution [23] is defined by

$$N(k) : p \rightarrow N_p(k) = \{X \in T_p M \mid R(U, V)X = k[g(V, X)U - g(U, X)V]\},$$

for all $U, V \in TM^n$, where k is some smooth function. If the generator ξ belongs to some k -nullity distribution $N(k)$, then the quasi Einstein manifold is called an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold [24]. An n -dimensional conformally flat quasi Einstein manifold is an $N(\frac{a+b}{n-1})$ -quasi Einstein manifold has also been demonstrate in [24]. Now in 2007, Ozgur and Tripathi [20] have indicated that in an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold $k = \frac{a+b}{n-1}$ and can not satisfy the conditions $Z(\xi, U) \cdot Z = 0$, $Z(\xi, U) \cdot R = 0$ and $Z(\xi, U) \cdot S = 0$, where Z is a concircular curvature tensor. Again in 2008, Ozgur [19] shown that a conformally flat perfect fluid spacetime (M^4, g) satisfying Einstein equation with or without cosmological constant is an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Later, De and Mallick [11] have proved that a special para-Sasakian manifold with vanishing D -concircular curvature tensor and a 4-dimensional Lorentzian space endowed with the Lorentzian metric are $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds. Recently, the notion of $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifolds with different geometrical and physical properties have been studied by several authors viz., [1, 9, 17, 18, 21] etc.,

Motivated from the above studies, we continues the study of $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold endowed with a conharmonic curvature tensor. After giving preliminaries in the Section 2, in Section 3 we have shown that a conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold M^n is an $N(\frac{2a+b}{n-2})$ -quasi Einstein manifold. In section 4, we consider $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfying the conditions $\tilde{H}(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ and $\tilde{H}(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$. In fact Section 5 is devoted to the study of conharmonically pseudo-symmetric $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Finally, in the last section we have describe conharmonically conservative $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold.

2. PRELIMINARIES

For a quasi Einstein manifold, the following relations holds true:

$$Q = aI + b\eta \otimes \xi, \quad (2.1)$$

$$S(U, \xi) = (a + b)\eta(U), \quad (2.2)$$

$$r = na + b. \quad (2.3)$$

Now, it can be noticed that an $N(K)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfies (See [20]):

$$R(U, V)\xi = \frac{a+b}{n-1}\{\eta(V)U - \eta(U)V\}, \quad (2.4)$$

$$R(U, \xi)V = \frac{a+b}{n-1}\{\eta(V)U - g(U, V)\xi\} = R(\xi, U)V. \quad (2.5)$$

Definition 2.1. A Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is said to possess a quasi-constant curvature if the curvature tensor R is not identically zero and satisfies the relation

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(X, Y, W, U) = & \alpha[g(U, Y)g(X, W) - g(Y, W)g(U, X)] \\
 & + \beta[g(X, U)\eta(Y)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(U) \\
 & - g(Y, U)\eta(X)\eta(W) - g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(U)],
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.6}$$

for every arbitrary vector fields X, Y, W and U , where α and β are smooth functions not identically zero.

3. CONHARMONIC CURVATURE TENSOR ON $N(k)$ -QUASI EINSTEIN MANIFOLD

The notion of conharmonic curvature tensor \tilde{H} in an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is defined by ([14]):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{H}(U, V)W = & R(U, V)W - \frac{1}{n-2}\{S(V, W)U - S(U, W)V \\
 & + g(V, W)QU - g(U, W)QV\},
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.1}$$

for all vector fields U, V, W on M^n , where R is a Riemannian curvature tensor Q is a Ricci operator.

Proposition 3.1. *In an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold, the conharmonic curvature tensor \tilde{H} satisfies*

$$\tilde{H}(U, V)\xi = \frac{na+b}{(n-1)(n-2)}\{\eta(U)V - \eta(V)U\},
 \tag{3.2}$$

$$\tilde{H}(\xi, U)V = \frac{na+b}{(n-1)(n-2)}\{\eta(V)U - g(U, V)\xi\} = -H(U, \xi)V,
 \tag{3.3}$$

$$\eta(\tilde{H}(U, V)W) = \frac{na+b}{(n-1)(n-2)}\{g(U, W)\eta(V) - g(V, W)\eta(U)\}.
 \tag{3.4}$$

Proof. From (2.2), (2.4), (2.5) and (3.1), the equations (3.2)-(3.4) follow easily. ■

Let us consider an n -dimensional conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold, that is $\tilde{H}(U, V)W = 0$.

Now by virtue of (1.1), (2.1) and (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(U, V)W = & \frac{2a}{n-2}\{g(V, W)U - g(U, W)V\} \\
 & + \frac{b}{n-2}\{g(V, W)\eta(U)\xi - g(U, W)\eta(V)\xi \\
 & + \eta(V)\eta(W)U - \eta(U)\eta(W)V\}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.5}$$

On plugging $W = \xi$ in the above equation, we obtain

$$R(U, V)\xi = \frac{2a+b}{n-2}\{\eta(V)U - \eta(U)V\},
 \tag{3.6}$$

that is, in an n -dimensional conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold, the generator ξ belongs to the $\left(\frac{2a+b}{n-2}\right)$ -nullity distribution. Hence this leads us to state the following result:

Theorem 3.2. *An n -dimensional conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold M^n is an $N\left(\frac{2a+b}{n-2}\right)$ -quasi Einstein manifold.*

4. $N(k)$ -QUASI EINSTEIN MANIFOLD SATISFYING $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ AND $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$

The notion of projective curvature tensor \tilde{P} in an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold is given by [26]:

$$\tilde{P}(U, V)W = R(U, V)W - \frac{1}{n-1}[S(V, W)U - S(U, W)V], \quad (4.1)$$

for all vector fields U, V and W on TM^n .

Proposition 4.1. *In an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold, the projective curvature tensor \tilde{P} satisfies the following:*

$$\tilde{P}(U, V)\xi = 0, \quad (4.2)$$

$$\tilde{P}(\xi, U)V = \frac{b}{n-1}\{g(U, V)\xi - \eta(U)\eta(V)\}\xi = -\tilde{P}(U, \xi)V, \quad (4.3)$$

$$\eta(\tilde{P}(U, V)W) = \frac{b}{n-1}\{g(V, W)\eta(U) - g(U, W)\eta(V)\}. \quad (4.4)$$

Proof. By the virtue of (2.2), (2.4), (2.5) and (4.1), it can be easily seen that the equations (4.2)-(4.4) holds true. ■

Now we have prove the following theorem:

Theorem 4.2. *An n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfies the condition $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ if and only if $na + b = 0$.*

Proof. Let M^n be an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfying the condition $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$, we can write

$$0 = \tilde{H}(\xi, U)\tilde{P}(V, W)X - \tilde{P}(\tilde{H}(\xi, U)V, W)X - \tilde{P}(V, \tilde{H}(\xi, U)V)X - \tilde{P}(V, W)\tilde{H}(\xi, U)X. \quad (4.5)$$

Now by using (2.5) in (4.5), we found that

$$0 = \frac{na+b}{(n-1)(n-2)}[\tilde{P}(V, W, X, U)\xi - \eta(\tilde{P}(V, W)X)U - g(U, V)\tilde{P}(\xi, W)X + \eta(V)\tilde{P}(U, W)X - g(U, W)\tilde{P}(V, \xi)X + \eta(W)\tilde{P}(V, U)X - g(U, X)\tilde{P}(V, W)\xi + \eta(X)P(V, W)U], \quad (4.6)$$

which implies that either $na + b = 0$ or

$$0 = \tilde{P}(V, W, X, U)\xi - \eta(\tilde{P}(V, W)X)U - g(U, V)\tilde{P}(\xi, W)X + \eta(V)\tilde{P}(U, W)X - g(U, W)\tilde{P}(V, \xi)X + \eta(W)\tilde{P}(V, U)X - g(U, X)\tilde{P}(V, W)\xi + \eta(X)P(V, W)U. \quad (4.7)$$

Taking inner product of above equation with respect to ξ and then by using (4.2)-(4.4) gives

$$0 = R(V, W, X, U) + \frac{a+b}{n-1} \{g(V, X)g(U, W) - g(W, X)g(U, V)\} + \frac{b}{n-1} \{g(U, W)\eta(V)\eta(X) - g(U, V)\eta(W)\eta(X)\}. \tag{4.8}$$

So by a suitable contraction of (4.8), we get

$$bg(Z, W) = 0, \tag{4.9}$$

which turns into $b = 0$. This contradicts to the assumption that M is an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. The converse statement is trivial. Hence the proof. ■

Finally, we have described the concircular curvature tensor \tilde{Z} ([25]) in an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold by

$$\tilde{Z}(U, V)W = R(U, V)W - \frac{r}{n(n-1)}V, \tag{4.10}$$

for all vector fields U, V, W on TM^n , where r is a scalar curvature.

Proposition 4.3. *In an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold M^n , the concircular curvature tensor \tilde{Z} satisfies*

$$\tilde{Z}(U, V)\xi = \frac{b}{n} \{\eta(V)U - \eta(U)V\}, \tag{4.11}$$

$$\tilde{Z}(\xi, U)V = \frac{b}{n} \{g(U, V)\xi - \eta(V)U\} = -\tilde{Z}(U, \xi)V, \tag{4.12}$$

$$\eta(\tilde{Z}(U, V)W) = \frac{b}{n} \{g(V, W)\eta(U) - g(U, W)\eta(V)\}. \tag{4.13}$$

Proof. By using (2.2), (2.4), (2.5) and (4.10), the equations (4.11)-(4.13) follow easily. ■

Let us consider an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfying $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$, from which it follows that

$$0 = \tilde{H}(\xi, U)\tilde{Z}(V, W)X - \tilde{Z}(\tilde{H}(\xi, U)V, W)X - \tilde{Z}(V, \tilde{H}(\xi, U)W)X - \tilde{Z}(V, W)\tilde{H}(\xi, U)X. \tag{4.14}$$

By virtue of (2.5) in (4.14), we find

$$0 = \frac{na+b}{(n-1)(n-2)} [\tilde{Z}(V, W, X, U)\xi - \eta(\tilde{Z}(V, W)X)U - g(U, V)\tilde{Z}(\xi, W)X + \eta(V)\tilde{Z}(U, W)X - g(U, W)\tilde{Z}(V, \xi)X + \eta(W)\tilde{Z}(V, U)X - g(U, X)\tilde{Z}(V, W)\xi + \eta(X)\tilde{Z}(V, W)U], \tag{4.15}$$

which implies that either $na + b = 0$ or

$$0 = \tilde{Z}(V, W, X, U)\xi - \eta(\tilde{Z}(V, W)X)U - g(U, V)\tilde{Z}(\xi, W)X + \eta(V)\tilde{Z}(U, W)X - g(U, W)\tilde{Z}(V, \xi)X + \eta(W)\tilde{Z}(V, U)X - g(U, X)\tilde{Z}(V, W)\xi + \eta(X)\tilde{Z}(V, W)U. \tag{4.16}$$

Taking inner product of (4.16) with respect to ξ and then by using (4.11)-(4.13), turns into

$$0 = R(V, W, X, U) + \frac{na+b}{n(n-1)} \{g(U, W)g(V, X) - g(U, V)g(W, X)\} + \frac{b}{n} \{g(U, W)g(V, X) - g(U, V)g(W, X)\} \quad (4.17)$$

On contracting (4.17), we get

$$b(g(Z, W) - \eta(Z)\eta(W)) = 0, \quad (4.18)$$

which gives $b = 0$. This contradicts to the assumption that M^n is an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. The converse statement is trivial.

Thus we can state the following result:

Theorem 4.4. *Let M^n be a n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Then M^n satisfies the condition $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$ if and only if $na + b = 0$.*

Hence in view of theorem 3.2 in [22], theorem 4.2 and theorem 4.4, we can state the following corollary:

Corollary 4.5. *Let M^n be an n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) $\tilde{H}(\xi, V) \cdot S = 0,$
- (ii) $\tilde{H}(\xi, V) \cdot \tilde{P} = 0,$
- (iii) $\tilde{H}(\xi, V) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0,$
- (iv) $na + b = 0,$

for every vector field V on TM^n .

5. CONHARMONICALLY PSEUDO-SYMMETRIC $N(k)$ -QUASI EINSTEIN MANIFOLD

In 1992, Deszcz [15] was first to introduced and studied the idea of pseudo-symmetric manifolds which is defined by

$$(R(U, V) \cdot R)(X, Y)W = L_R[((U \wedge V) \cdot R)(X, Y)W],$$

where L_R is some smooth function on M^n and $U \wedge V$ is an endomorphism defined by

$$(U \wedge V)W = g(V, W)U - g(U, W)V.$$

An n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold M^n is said to be conharmonically pseudo-symmetric if the condition

$$(R(U, V) \cdot \tilde{H})(X, Y)W = L_{\tilde{H}}[((U \wedge V) \cdot \tilde{H})(X, Y)W], \quad (5.1)$$

holds on the set $U_{\tilde{H}} = \{x \in M : \tilde{H} \neq 0 \text{ at } x\}$, where $L_{\tilde{H}}$ is some function on $U_{\tilde{H}}$ and \tilde{H} is the conharmonic curvature tensor. In particular, if $L_{\tilde{H}} = 0$, then M^n reduces to conharmonically semi-symmetric manifold.

Let us consider an n -dimensional conharmonically pseudo-symmetric $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Now on plugging $Y = \xi$ in (5.1), we obtain

$$(R(U, \xi) \cdot \tilde{H})(X, Y)W = L_{\tilde{H}}[(U \wedge \xi)(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W) - \tilde{H}((U \wedge \xi)X, Y)W - \tilde{H}(X, (U \wedge \xi))W - \tilde{H}(X, Y)(U \wedge \xi)W]. \tag{5.2}$$

Now the left hand side of (5.2), yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a+b}{n-1}[\eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W)U - \tilde{H}(X, Y, W, U)\xi - \eta(U)\tilde{H}(U, Y)W \\ & +g(U, X)\tilde{H}(\xi, Y)W - \eta(Y)\tilde{H}(X, U)W + g(U, Y)\tilde{H}(X, \xi)W \\ & -\eta(W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)U + g(U, W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)\xi]. \end{aligned} \tag{5.3}$$

Similarly the right hand side of (5.2), gives

$$\begin{aligned} & L_{\tilde{H}}[\eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W)U - \tilde{H}(X, Y, W, U)\xi - \eta(U)\tilde{H}(U, Y)W \\ & +g(U, X)\tilde{H}(\xi, Y)W - \eta(Y)\tilde{H}(X, U)W + g(U, Y)\tilde{H}(X, \xi)W \\ & -\eta(W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)U + g(U, W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)\xi]. \end{aligned} \tag{5.4}$$

By considering (5.3) and (5.4) in (5.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \left(L_{\tilde{H}} - \frac{a+b}{n-1} \right) [\eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W)U - \tilde{H}(X, Y, W, U)\xi \\ & -\eta(U)\tilde{H}(U, Y)W + g(U, X)\tilde{H}(\xi, Y)W - \eta(Y)\tilde{H}(X, U)W \\ & +g(U, Y)\tilde{H}(X, \xi)W - \eta(W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)U + g(U, W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)\xi]. \end{aligned} \tag{5.5}$$

From (5.5), it is found that either $L_{\tilde{H}} = \frac{a+b}{n-1}$ or

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W)U - \tilde{H}(X, Y, W, U)\xi - \eta(U)\tilde{H}(U, Y)W \\ & +g(U, X)\tilde{H}(\xi, Y)W - \eta(Y)\tilde{H}(X, U)W + g(U, Y)\tilde{H}(X, \xi)W \\ & -\eta(W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)U + g(U, W)\tilde{H}(X, Y)\xi, \end{aligned} \tag{5.6}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)W)\eta(U) - \tilde{H}(X, Y, W, U) - \eta(U)\eta(\tilde{H}(U, Y)W) \\ & +g(U, X)\eta(\tilde{H}(\xi, Y)W) - \eta(Y)\eta(\tilde{H}(X, U)W) - \eta(W)\eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)U) \\ & +g(U, Y)\eta(\tilde{H}(X, \xi)W) + g(U, W)\eta(\tilde{H}(X, Y)\xi). \end{aligned} \tag{5.7}$$

In consequence of (4.2)-(4.4) in (5.7) and then with the help of (1.1) and (3.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y, W, U) = & \alpha[g(U, Y)g(X, W) - g(Y, W)g(U, X)] \\ & +\beta[g(X, U)\eta(Y)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(U) \\ & -g(Y, U)\eta(X)\eta(W) - g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(U)], \end{aligned} \tag{5.8}$$

where $\alpha = \frac{a(2-n)+b}{(n-1)(n-2)}$ and $\beta = \frac{b}{n-2}$ are smooth functions on M^n and are not identically zero.

Hence from (5.8) and (2.6), we can state the following:

Theorem 5.1. *Let M^n be an n -dimensional conharmonically pseudo-symmetric $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold. Then, either $L_{\tilde{H}} = \frac{a+b}{n-1}$ or M^n is a manifold of quasi constant curvature.*

Further, if we consider $L_{\tilde{H}} = 0$ then we have $a + b = 0$. This leads us to the following corollary:

Corollary 5.2. *An n -dimensional conharmonically pseudo-symmetric $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold turns into conharmonically semi-symmetric manifold, then the sum of the associated scalars is always zero.*

6. CONHARMONICALLY CONSERVATIVE $N(k)$ -QUASI EINSTEIN MANIFOLD

Definition 6.1. An n -dimensional $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold will be called conharmonically conservative, if $(div\tilde{H})(U, V)W = 0$.

From (3.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (div\tilde{H})(U, V)W &= (divR)(U, V)W - \frac{1}{2(n-2)}[(\nabla_U S)(V, W) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_V S)(U, W) + dr(U)g(V, W) - dr(V)g(U, W)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6.1)$$

Again it is to be noticed that in a Riemannian manifold, we have

$$(divR)(U, V)W = (\nabla_U S)(V, W) - (\nabla_V S)(U, W). \quad (6.2)$$

Hence in view of (6.2), equation (6.1) turns into

$$\begin{aligned} (div\tilde{H})(U, V)W &= \frac{2n-5}{2(n-2)}[(\nabla_U S)(V, W) - (\nabla_V S)(U, W)] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2(n-2)}[dr(U)g(V, W) - dr(V)g(U, W)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6.3)$$

Now consider conharmonically conservative $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold i.e., $(div\tilde{H})(U, V)W = 0$. Then equation (6.3) reduces to

$$(\nabla_U S)(V, W) - (\nabla_V S)(U, W) = \frac{1}{2n-5}[dr(U)g(V, W) - dr(V)g(U, W)]. \quad (6.4)$$

Using (1.1) in (6.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} da(U)g(U, W) - da(V)g(U, W) + db(U)\eta(V)\eta(W) - db(V)\eta(U)\eta(W) \\ + b[(\nabla_U \eta)(V)\eta(W) + \eta(V)(\nabla_U \eta)(W) - (\nabla_V \eta)(U)\eta(W) \\ - \eta(U)(\nabla_V \eta)(W)] = \frac{1}{2n-5}[dr(U)g(V, W) - dr(V)g(U, W)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6.5)$$

Let us take the associated scalar b is non zero constant. Then $db(X) = 0$ and hence equation (6.5) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{n-5}{2n-5}[da(U)g(V, W) - da(V)g(U, W)] + b[(\nabla_U \eta)(V)\eta(W) \\ &\quad + \eta(V)(\nabla_U \eta)(W) - (\nabla_V \eta)(U)\eta(W) - \eta(U)(\nabla_V \eta)(W)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6.6)$$

Setting $V = W = \xi$ in (6.6), we get

$$b(\nabla_\xi \eta)(U) = \frac{n-5}{2n-5}[da(U) - da(\xi)\eta(U)]. \quad (6.7)$$

On contracting (6.6), we obtain

$$b\{(\nabla_\xi \eta)(U) + \eta(U) \sum_{i=1}^n (\nabla_{e_i} \eta)(e_i)\} - \frac{(n-5)(n-1)}{2n-5} da(U) = 0. \quad (6.8)$$

Using (6.7) in (6.8), we get

$$b\eta(U) \sum_{i=1}^n (\nabla_{e_i}\eta)(e_i) = \frac{(n-5)(n-1)}{2n-5} da(U) - \frac{n-5}{2n-5} [da(U) - da(\xi)\eta(U)]. \tag{6.9}$$

Setting $U = \xi$ in (6.9), we have

$$b \sum_{i=1}^n (\nabla_{e_i}\eta)(e_i) = \frac{(n-5)(n-1)}{2n-5} da(\xi). \tag{6.10}$$

By virtue of (6.7) and (6.10), it follows from (6.8) that

$$da(U) = \eta(U)da(\xi). \tag{6.11}$$

Again setting $W = \xi$ in (6.6) and then by using (6.11), we get

$$b\{(\nabla_U\eta)(V) - (\nabla_V\eta)(U)\} = 0, \tag{6.12}$$

which implies that

$$(\nabla_U\eta)(V) - (\nabla_V\eta)(U) = 0. \tag{6.13}$$

On plugging $U = \xi$ in (6.13), we obtain

$$(\nabla_\xi\eta)(V) = 0, \tag{6.14}$$

which implies that $\nabla_\xi\xi = 0$ and hence we can state the following theorem:

Theorem 6.2. *Let M^n be an conharmonically conservative $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold admitting a non-zero constant scalar b , then the associated 1-form η is closed and the integral curves of the generator ξ are geodesics.*

7. CONCLUSIONS

The hypothesis of quasi Einstein manifolds emerged in the course of exact solutions of Einstein field equations. In this study, the existence of $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold as a conharmonically flat quasi Einstein manifold are given. Next an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold satisfies $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{H} = 0$, $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot \tilde{Z} = 0$ and $\tilde{H}(\xi, U) \cdot S = 0$, then the associated scalars are relatively dependent to each other. Later we have studied that a conharmonically pseudo-symmetric $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold and hence shown that it is a space of quasi constant curvature. Finally we have proved that an $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold is conharmonically conservative, then the integral curves of ξ are geodesics.

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