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## $\eta$ -Ricci Solitons on Quasi-Sasakian Manifolds

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Abstract. The object of the present paper is to study  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons in a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifolds. We study a particular type of second order parallel tensor in this manifold. Beside this we consider this manifold satisfying some curvature properties of Ricci tensor.

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### 1 Introduction

Ricci soliton is a natural generalization of Einstein metrics on a Riemannian manifold, being generalized fixed points of Hamilton's Ricci flow  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g = -2S$  [14]. The evaluation equation defining the Ricci flow is a kind of nonlinear diffusion equation, an analogue of the heat equation of the metrics. Under the Ricci flow a metric can be improved to evolve into a more canonical one by smoothing out its irregularities, depending on the Ricci curvature of the manifold: it will expand in the directions of the negative Ricci curvature and

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shrink in the positive case.

A more general notion of Ricci soliton named  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton was introduced by J. T. Cho and M. Kimura [8], which was treated by C. Calin and M. Crasmareanu on Hopf hypersufaces in complex space forms [7]. An  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton is a quadruple  $(g, V, \lambda, \mu)$ , where V is a vector field on M,  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are constants and g is a Riemannian (or pseudo-Riemannian) metric satisfying the equation

$$\pounds_V g + 2S + 2\lambda g + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta = 0, \tag{1}$$

where S is the Ricci tensor associated to g and  $\eta$  is an one form. In this connection we mention the works of Blaga ([2], [3]), Majhi et al. [15] and Prakasha and Hadimani [17]. In particular, if  $\mu = 0$ , then the notion of  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton  $(g, V, \lambda, \mu)$  reduces to the notion of Ricci soliton  $(g, V, \lambda)$ .

An important geometrical object in studying Ricci solitons is well-known to be a symmetric (0, 2)-tensor field which is parallel with respect to the Levi-Civita connection, some of its geometric properties being described in ([1], [10]) etc. In [3], the author studied the second order parallel tensor field in the context of para-Kenmotsu manifolds admitting  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons. In [17] authors studied non-existence of certain kinds of para-Sasakian manifolds admitting  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton. Beside these Ricci solitons on a three dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifolds have been studied by U. C. De and A. K. Mondal in [11].  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons on Sasakian 3-manifolds have been studied in [15].

Quasi-Sasakian manifold is a natural generalization of Sasakian manifold. Motivated by the above studies, in this paper we consider the  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons in a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold.

The present paper is organized as follows:

After preliminaries in section 2, section 3 is devoted to study  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons in a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold and we prove that the manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein  $\beta$ -Sasakian manifold with  $\lambda + \mu = -2\beta^2$ . Here we construct an example to verify the result. In the next part of this section we prove that if the symmetric second order tensor field  $\alpha = \pounds_{\xi}g + 2S + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta$  is parallel with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of the metric tensor, then the manifold admits an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton. Section 4 deals with the study  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons satisfying some curvature properties of Ricci tensor in 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifolds. In the first part of this section we prove that an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in non-cosymplectic quasiSasakian manifolds with Ricci tensor of Codazzi-type becomes a Ricci soliton. We also prove that in an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifolds the Ricci tensor is cyclic parallel. Beside these, we prove a corollary in this section. Finally, in section 5, we prove that  $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifolds becomes a Ricci soliton.

#### 2 Preliminaries

A (2n+1)-dimensional differentiable manifold M is said to admit an almost contact structure if it admits a tensor field  $\phi$  of type (1,1), a vector field  $\xi$ and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying ([4], [5])

$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \phi\xi = 0 \text{ and } \eta \circ \phi = 0,$$
 (2)

where  $X \in TM$ .

Let g be the compatible Riemannian metric with an almost contact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$ , that is,

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{3}$$

for  $X, Y \in TM$ . Then M becomes an almost contact metric manifold equipped with an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . From (2) and (3) it can be easily seen that for  $X, Y \in TM$ 

$$g(X,\phi Y) = -g(\phi X,Y), \qquad g(X,\xi) = \eta(X). \tag{4}$$

An almost complex structure J can be defined on the product  $M \times \mathbb{R}$ of M and the real line  $\mathbb{R}$  by  $J(X, \nu \frac{d}{dt}) = (\phi X - \nu \xi, \eta(X) \frac{d}{dt})$ , where  $\nu$  is a scalar field on  $M \times \mathbb{R}$ . If the structure J is complex analytic, the almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is said to be normal. A necessary and sufficient condition of an almost contact metric manifold to be normal is that the Nijehaus tensor field N vanishes on the manifold ([4], [18]). A normal almost contact metric manifold is quasi-Sasakian if the fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$ , defined by  $\Phi(X, Y) = g(\phi X, Y)$  is closed ([6], [19]). Beside this, Olszak [16] proved that a 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifold Mis a quasi-Sasakian manifold if and only if

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\beta \phi X,\tag{5}$$

where  $X \in TM$  and  $\beta$  is some function on M, such that  $\xi\beta = 0$ ,  $\nabla$  being the operator of the covariant differentiation with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of M. Hence a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold is cosymplectic if and only if  $\beta = 0$ . For  $\beta = \text{constant}$ , the manifold reduces to a  $\beta$ -Sasakian manifold and  $\beta = 1$  gives the Sasakian structure.

In a non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold the following relations hold ([12], [16]):

$$(\nabla_X \phi) Y = \beta[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X], \tag{6}$$

$$R(X,Y)\xi = -(X\beta)\phi Y + (Y\beta)\phi X + \beta^2[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y],$$
(7)

$$S(X,Y) = \left(\frac{r}{2} - \beta^{2}\right)g(X,Y) + (3\beta^{2} - \frac{r}{2})\eta(X)\eta(Y)$$
(8)  
-  $\eta(X)d\beta(\phi Y) - \eta(Y)d\beta(\phi X),$ 

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = -\beta g(\phi X, Y), \tag{9}$$

where  $X, Y \in TM$ , R, S and r being the curvature tensor of type (1,3), Ricci tensor of type (0, 2) and the scalar curvature of the manifold respectively.

A manifold M is said to be an  $\eta\text{-}\mathrm{Einstein}$  manifold if the Ricci tensor S is of the form

$$S(X,Y) = ag(X,Y) + b\eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{10}$$

and Einstein if

$$S(X,Y) = \kappa g(X,Y) \tag{11}$$

where a and b are smooth functions on the manifold and  $\kappa$  is a constant.

A. Gray [13] introduced the notion of cyclic parallel Ricci tensor and Codazzi-type of Ricci tensor. A Riemannian manifold is said to have cyclic parallel Ricci tensor if the Ricci tensor of the manifold satisfies the following:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z, X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X, Y) = 0.$$
(12)

Again a Riemannian manifold is said to have Codazzi-type of Ricci tensor if the Ricci tensor S is non-zero and satisfies the following:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = (\nabla_Y S)(X, Z). \tag{13}$$

## 3 $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifolds

Let M be a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold. We write (1) as

$$2S(X,Y) = -(\pounds_{\xi}g)(X,Y) - 2\lambda g(X,Y) - 2\mu \eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(14)

for  $X, Y \in TM$ . In a quasi-Sasakian manifold,  $\xi$  is a Killing vector field [6]. Therefore  $(\pounds_{\xi}g)(X, Y) = 0$ . Hence (14) takes the form

$$S(X,Y) = -\lambda g(X,Y) - \mu \eta(X)\eta(Y).$$
<sup>(15)</sup>

In view of (15) we state the following:

**Proposition 3.1.** A 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold admitting  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.

Comparing the equations (8) and (15), we have

$$(\lambda + \frac{r}{2} - \beta^2)g(X, Y) + (\mu + 3\beta^2 - \frac{r}{2})\eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

$$= \eta(X)d\beta(\phi Y) + \eta(Y)d\beta(\phi X).$$
(16)

Replacing X by  $\xi$  in (16) and using (2), we get

$$(\lambda + \mu + 2\beta^2)\eta(Y) = d\beta(\phi Y).$$
(17)

Replacing Y by  $\phi Y$  in (17) and using (2) yields

$$d\beta(\phi^2 Y) = 0. \tag{18}$$

Since in a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\phi^2 Y \neq 0$ , in general, therefore (18) gives  $d\beta = 0$  i.e.,  $\beta = \text{constant}$ . Again using  $d\beta = 0$  and in virtue of the fact  $\eta(Y) \neq 0$ , in general, (17) gives  $\lambda + \mu = -2\beta^2$ . Therefore we state the following:

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**Theorem 3.1.** A 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold admitting an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton is an  $\eta$ -Einstein  $\beta$ -Sasakian manifold with  $\lambda + \mu = -2\beta^2$ .

#### Example:

Here we construct an example [11] of a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold which verifies the above theorem. We consider the 3-dimensional manifold  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, (x, y, z) \neq (0, 0, 0)\}$ , where (x, y, z) are the standard coordinates of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . We consider the linearly independent vector fields

$$e_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, e_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, e_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

at each point of M. Let g be a Riemannian metric given by

$$g(e_i, e_i) = 1$$
  

$$g(e_i, e_j) = 0, \quad \text{for} \quad i \neq j.$$

Let  $\eta$  be the 1-form defined by  $\eta(Z) = g(Z, e_3)$ , for any  $Z \in TM$ .

Let  $\phi$  be the (1, 1)-tensor field defined by

$$\phi e_1 = -e_2, \quad \phi e_2 = e_1, \quad \phi e_3 = 0.$$

Then using the linearity of  $\phi$  and g, we have

$$\eta(e_3) = 1, \phi^2 Z = -Z + \eta(Z)e_3, g(\phi Z, \phi W) = g(Z, W) - \eta(Z)\eta(W),$$

for  $Z, W \in TM$ . Thus for  $e_3 = \xi$ ,  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  becomes an almost contact metric manifold.

Let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection with respect to the metric g. Then we have

$$[e_1, e_2] = e_3, \quad [e_1, e_3] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad [e_2, e_3] = 0.$$

The Riemannian connection  $\nabla$  of the metric g is given by

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$$2g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = Xg(Y, Z) + Yg(Z, X) - Zg(X, Y)$$
(19)  
-g(X, [Y, Z]) + g(Y, [Z, X]) + g(Z, [X, Y]),

which is known as Koszul's formula.

Using (19) we calculate the following:

$$\nabla_{e_1} e_3 = -\frac{1}{2} e_2, \nabla_{e_1} e_2 = \frac{1}{2} e_3, \nabla_{e_1} e_1 = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{e_2} e_3 = \frac{1}{2} e_1, \nabla_{e_2} e_2 = 0, \nabla_{e_2} e_1 = -\frac{1}{2} e_3,$$

$$\nabla_{e_3} e_3 = 0, \nabla_{e_3} e_2 = \frac{1}{2} e_1, \nabla_{e_3} e_1 = -\frac{1}{2} e_2.$$
(20)

Therefore for  $X = a_1e_1 + a_2e_2 + a_3e_3$ ,  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  being functions, we have

$$\nabla_X e_3 = \frac{1}{2}\phi X.$$
(21)

Therefore the manifold under consideration is a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold with  $\beta = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

It is known that

$$R(X,Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} Z.$$
(22)

Using the above results, (22) gives

$$R(e_1, e_2)e_3 = 0, R(e_2, e_3)e_3 = \frac{1}{4}e_2, R(e_1, e_3)e_3 = \frac{1}{4}e_1,$$
  

$$R(e_1, e_2)e_2 = -\frac{3}{4}e_1, R(e_2, e_3)e_2 = \frac{1}{4}e_3, R(e_1, e_3)e_2 = 0,$$
  

$$R(e_1, e_2)e_1 = \frac{3}{4}e_2, R(e_2, e_3)e_1 = 0, R(e_1, e_3)e_1 = \frac{1}{4}e_3.$$

From the above relations we obtain the following non-vanishing Ricci tensors:

$$S(e_1, e_1) = -\frac{1}{2}, S(e_2, e_2) = -\frac{1}{2}, S(e_3, e_3) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore for  $Y = b_1e_1 + b_2e_2 + b_3e_3$  we have

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$$S(X,Y) = -\frac{1}{2}a_1b_1 - \frac{1}{2}a_2 + \frac{1}{2}a_3b_3.$$
 (23)

Hence

$$2S(X,Y) + 2\lambda g(X,Y) + 2\mu\eta(X)\eta(Y)$$
(24)  
=  $(2\lambda - 1)a_1b_1 + (2\lambda - 1)a_2b_2 + (2\lambda + 2\mu + 1)a_3b_3.$ 

From (24) it is clear that for  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\mu = -1$ 

$$2S(X,Y) + 2\lambda g(X,Y) + 2\mu\eta(X)\eta(Y) = 0$$

i.e.,

$$\pounds_{e_3}g + 2S + 2\lambda g + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta = 0, \tag{25}$$

since in 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\pounds_{e_3}g = 0$ .

Therefore  $(M, \xi, g, \lambda, \mu)$  is an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton for  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\mu = -1$ . Also we see that  $S(X, Y) = -\lambda g(X, Y) - \mu \eta(X) \eta(Y)$  and  $\lambda + \mu = -\frac{1}{2} = -2\beta^2$ . Therefore the manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein  $\beta$ -Sasakian manifold with  $\lambda + \mu = -2\beta^2$ , which verifies the Theorem 3.1.

Next part of this section is devoted to the study of second order parallel tensor in a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold. Let M be a 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold. Suppose that M is endowed with a second order covariant tensor field  $\alpha$  satisfying  $\nabla \alpha = 0$ , where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection on M.

Therefore we have

$$\alpha(R(X,Y)Z,W) + \alpha(Z,R(X,Y)W) = 0.$$
<sup>(26)</sup>

In particular for  $W = Z = \xi$ , (26) yields

$$\alpha(R(X,Y)\xi,\xi) = 0. \tag{27}$$

In a non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold admitting an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton, from (7) we have

$$R(X,Y)\xi = \beta^2[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y], \qquad (28)$$

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since  $\beta = \text{constant}$ .

Therefore using (28) in (27) yields

$$\beta^2[\eta(Y)\alpha(X,\xi) - \eta(X)\alpha(Y,\xi)] = 0.$$
<sup>(29)</sup>

Since the manifold under consideration is non-cosymplectic, hence for  $Y = \xi$  (29) gives

$$\alpha(X,\xi) = g(X,\xi)\alpha(\xi,\xi). \tag{30}$$

Differentiating (30) covariantly along Y, we get

$$\alpha(\nabla_Y X,\xi) + \alpha(X,\nabla_Y \xi) = \alpha(\xi,\xi) [g(\nabla_Y X,\xi) + g(X,\nabla_Y \xi) + 2g(X,\xi)\alpha(\nabla_Y \xi,\xi) + \alpha(X,\nabla_Y \xi) + \alpha(X,\nabla_Y \xi) + \alpha(X,\nabla_Y \xi) ]$$
(31)

Using (5) and (30) in (31), we obtain

$$\alpha(X,\phi Y) = [\alpha(\xi,\xi)g(X,\phi Y) + 2\eta(X)\alpha(\phi Y,\xi)], \qquad (32)$$

since  $\beta \neq 0$ .

Now, from (30) we see that  $\alpha(\phi X, \xi) = 0$ . Therefore from (32), we have

$$\alpha(X,\phi Y) = \alpha(\xi,\xi)g(X,\phi Y). \tag{33}$$

Replacing Y by  $\phi Y$  in (33) and using (2) and (30), we obtain

$$\alpha(X,Y) = \alpha(\xi,\xi)g(X,Y). \tag{34}$$

As  $\alpha$  is a parallel tensor field,  $\alpha(\xi, \xi)$  is constant. Therefore in view of (34) we state the following:

**Proposition 3.2.** In a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold, any parallel symmetric (0,2)-tensor field is a constant multiple of the metric tensor.

Now, we consider the symmetric parallel tensor field  $\alpha = \pounds_{\xi}g + 2S + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta$ . Therefore  $\alpha(\xi,\xi) = 2S(\xi,\xi) + 2\mu\eta(\xi)\eta(\xi)$ .

In view of (15) we have  $S(\xi,\xi) = -\lambda - \mu$ . Therefore  $\alpha(\xi,\xi) = -2\lambda$  and we have  $\pounds_{\xi}g + 2S + 2\mu = -2\lambda g$ . This relation defines an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M. Therefore we state the following:

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**Theorem 3.2.** Let M be a 3-dimensional non-cosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold. If the symmetric second order tensor field  $\alpha = \pounds_{\xi}g + 2S + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta$  is parallel with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of the metric tensor, then M admits an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton.

## 4 $\eta$ -Ricci solitons in quasi-Sasakian manifolds with some curvature properties of Ricci tensor

First part of this section deals with the  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in 3-dimensional noncosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifolds with Ricci tensor of Codazzi-type.

Differentiating (15) covariantly along Z and using (9), we have

$$(\nabla_Z S)(X,Y) = \mu\beta[g(\phi Z,X)\eta(Y) + g(\phi Z,Y)\eta(X)].$$
(35)

Using (35) in (13), we get

$$\mu\beta[g(\phi Z, X)\eta(Y) + g(\phi Z, Y)\eta(X)] = \mu\beta[g(\phi Y, Z)\eta(X) + g(\phi Y, X)\eta(Z)].$$
(36)

Replacing Z by  $\xi$  in (36) and using (2), we obtain

$$\mu\beta g(\phi Y, X) = 0. \tag{37}$$

Since the manifold under consideration is non-cosymplectic and  $g(\phi Y, X) \neq 0$ , in general, therefore (36) yields  $\mu = 0$ . Therefore the  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton becomes Ricci soliton. Hence we state the following:

**Theorem 4.1.** An  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in a non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold whose Ricci tensor is of Codazzi-type becomes a Ricci soliton.

Again for  $\mu = 0$ , (15) becomes

$$S(X,Y) = -\lambda g(X,Y). \tag{38}$$

Therefore the manifold becomes an Einstein manifold. Again it is known that [20] a 3-dimensional Einstein manifold is a manifold of constant curvature. Thus we have: **Corollary 4.1.** An  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in a non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold whose Ricci tensor is of Codazzi-type is a manifold of constant curvature.

In the next part of this section we prove the following:

**Theorem 4.2.** In a non-cosymplectic 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold admitting an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton, the Ricci tensor is cyclic parallel.

*Proof.* In view of (35) and (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X S)(Y,Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z,X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X,Y) \\ &= \mu\beta[\eta(Z)\{g(\phi X,Y) + g(X,\phi Y)\} + \eta(Y)\{g(\phi X,Z) \\ &+ g(\phi Z,X)\} + \eta(X)\{g(\phi Y,Z) + g(\phi Z,X)\}] \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the theorem.

# 5 $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric $\eta$ -Ricci soliton in 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold

In this section we study  $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on 3-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifolds. A quasi-Sasakian manifold is said to be  $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric if

$$\phi^2(\nabla_X Q)Y = 0, (39)$$

for all vector fields X, Y.

In view of (15), the Ricci operator Q can be written as

$$QY = -\lambda Y - \mu \eta(Y)\xi, \tag{40}$$

for  $Y \in TM$ .

Differentiating (40) covariantly along the vector field X and using (5) and (9), we obtain

$$(\nabla_X Q)Y = \mu\beta[g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X].$$
(41)

Therefore in view of (2), we get

$$\phi^2(\nabla_X Q)Y = -\beta\mu\eta(Y)\phi X. \tag{42}$$

Here we consider the manifold to be non-cosymplectic. Therefore (42) yields  $\mu = 0$ . Hence we state the following:

**Theorem 5.1.** A  $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on 3-dimensional noncosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifolds becomes a Ricci soliton.

Again  $\mu = 0$  implies that the manifold is an Einstein one and hence the manifold is of constant curvature. Thus we have:

**Corollary 5.1.** A  $\phi$ -Ricci symmetric  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on a 3-dimensional noncosymplectic quasi-Sasakian manifold is a manifold of constant curvature.

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