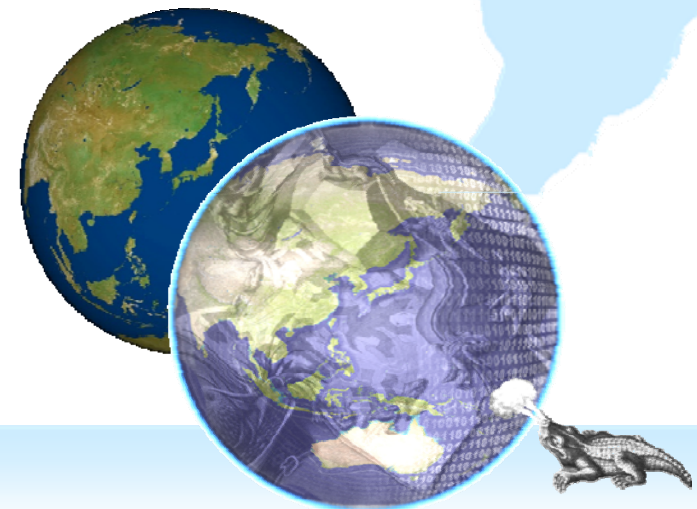


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# Activity Plan and Status of GLOFs-WG In Sentinel Asia

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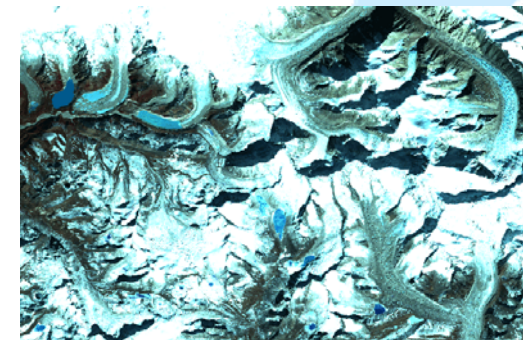
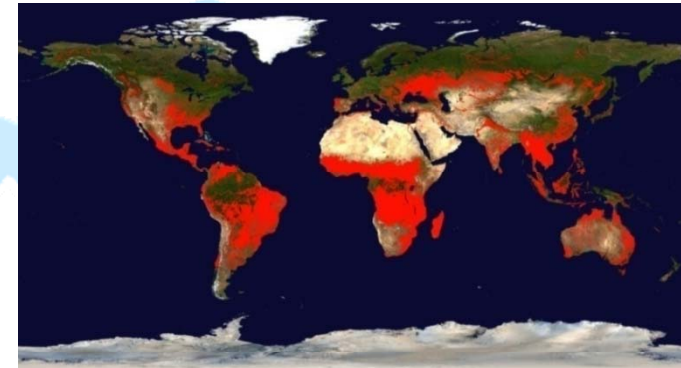


# Working Group Activities for Disaster Risk Reduction

- **Wildfire WG**
  - To contribute to the Asia-Pacific region with wildfire management
  - To contribution to REDD-plus
  - JST-JICA(\*) project for wildfire and carbon management in a peatland in Kalimantan, Indonesia

(\*)JST: Japan Science and Technology Agency  
JICA: Japan International Cooperation Agency

- **Flood WG**
  - To contribute to the mitigation of flood disasters in Asia
  - Flood analysis using IFAS
- **GLOF WG** (Glacial Lake Outburst Flood)
  - Monitor and establish early warning system in the risk areas
  - Local awareness and knowledge transfer through capacity building
- **Tsunami WG**
  - Tsunami early warning system



## Initiator Organization and Co-chair of GLOF WG

- Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC)
- Keio University → Chubu University, Japan
- The International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)
- Hokkaido University, Japan
- International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM)
- Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs, Bhutan
- Department of Survey and Land Records, Bhutan
- Department of Water Induced Disaster Prevention, Nepal
- Survey Department, Nepal
- Institute of Geography and Natural Resources, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
  
- Co-chair  
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# Glacial Lake Outburst Floods

## Working Group(GLOFs-WG) in Sentinel Asia

### Background

Glaciers as a freshwater reservoir are one of the most sensitive indicators of climate change. In the face of global warming, **most Himalayan glaciers have been retreating**, resulting in an increase in the number and size of glacial lake and a concomitant increase in the threat of glacial lake outburst floods(GLOFs).

Regional Cooperation is needed to formulate a coordinated strategy to deal effectively both with **risk of GLOF** and with **water management** issues.

# Glacial Lake Outburst Floods Working Group(GLOFs-WG) in Sentinel Asia

## Objective

- Contribution to Asia-Pacific Region for Glacial Lake Outburst Floods Prevention and Management.
- Local Awareness of the **Potential Outburst of Glacial Lake** to the Communities.
- Monitoring and Establishment of Early Warning in the Risk Areas.
- Information Distribution and Sharing through the Sentinel Asia Infrastructure.
- Knowledge Transfer through the Capacity Building.

## Impact of climate change is well observed in the Hindu Kushi-Himalayan Region

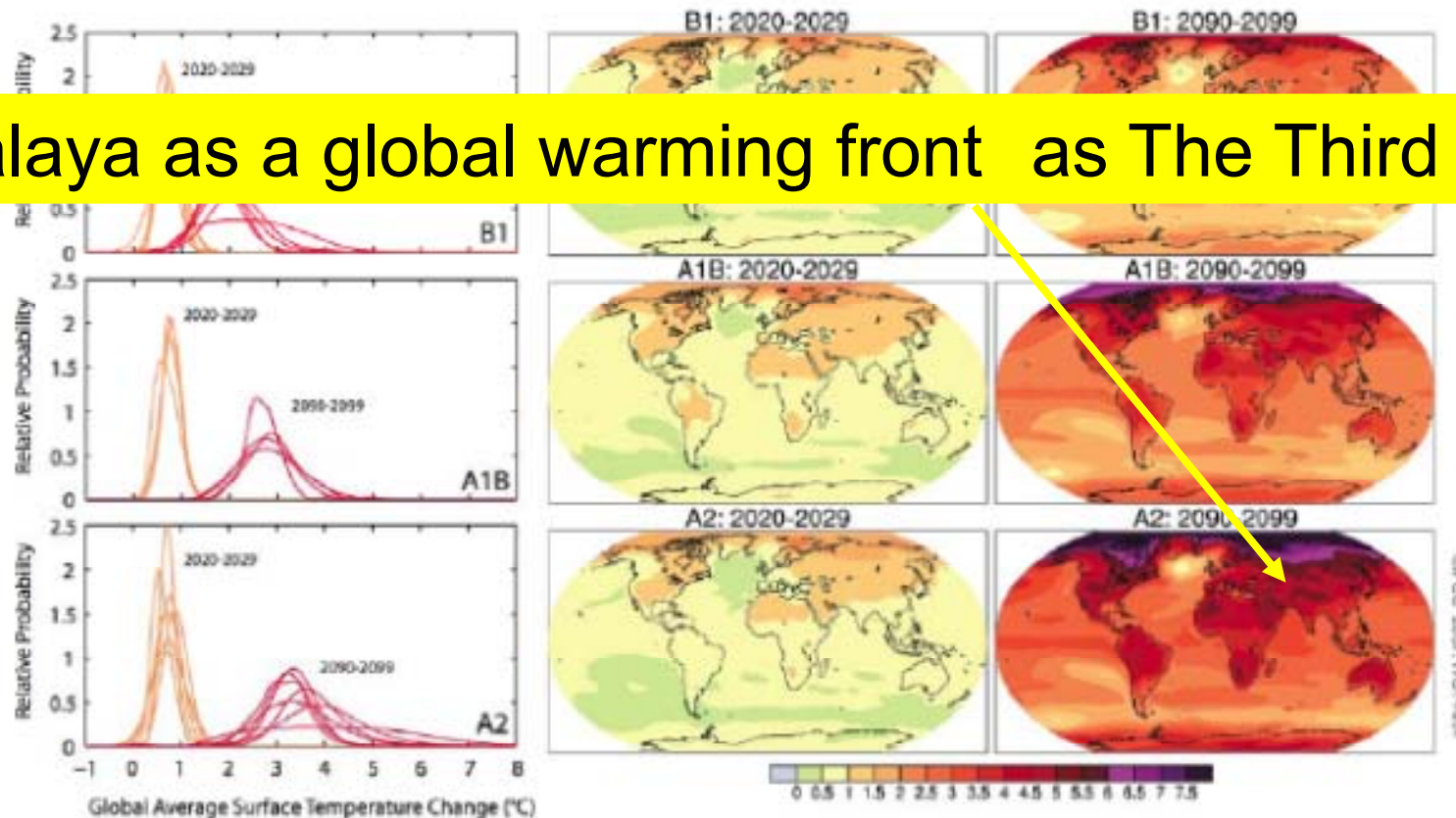
The warming in the Himalayas in last three decades has been between  $0.15^{\circ}\text{C}$  -  $0.6^{\circ}\text{C}$  per decade (ICIMOD)

Several studies show that most of glaciers in Himalaya are shrinking at accelerated rates in recent decades

- Melting Glaciers,
- Growing Glacial lakes, and
- Glacial lakes Outburst Floods (GLOFs)



## AOGCM Projections of Surface Temperatures



Himalaya as a global warming front as The Third Pole

**FIGURE SPM-6.** Projected surface temperature changes for the early and late 21st century relative to the period 1980–1999. The central and right panels show the Atmosphere-Ocean General Circulation multi-Model average projections for the B1 (top), A1B (middle) and A2 (bottom) SRES scenarios averaged over decades 2020–2029 (center) and 2090–2099 (right). The left panel shows corresponding uncertainties as the relative probabilities of estimated global average warming from several different AOGCM and EMICs studies for the same periods. Some studies present results only for a subset of the SRES scenarios, or for various model versions. Therefore the difference in the number of curves, shown in the left-hand panels, is due only to differences in the availability of results. (Figures 10.8 and 10.28)

Geneva, 20 January 2010

**The UN's climate science panel has admitted it made a mistake in asserting that Himalayan glaciers could disappear by 2035.**

### **IPCC statement on the melting of Himalayan glaciers<sup>1</sup>**

The Synthesis Report, the concluding document of the Fourth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (page 49) stated: "Climate change is expected to exacerbate current stresses on water resources from population growth and economic and land-use change, including urbanisation. On a regional scale, mountain snow pack, glaciers and small ice caps play a crucial role in freshwater availability. Widespread mass losses from glaciers and reductions in snow cover over recent decades are projected to accelerate throughout the 21<sup>st</sup> century, reducing water availability, hydropower potential, and changing seasonality of flows in regions supplied by meltwater from major mountain ranges (e.g. Hindu-Kush, Himalaya, Andes), where more than one-sixth of the world population currently lives."

This conclusion is robust, appropriate, and entirely consistent with the underlying science and the broader IPCC assessment.

It has, however, recently come to our attention that a paragraph in the 938-page Working Group II contribution to the underlying assessment<sup>2</sup> refers to poorly substantiated estimates of rate of recession and date for the disappearance of Himalayan glaciers. In drafting the paragraph in question, the clear and well-established standards of evidence, required by the IPCC procedures, were not applied properly.

The Chair, Vice-Chairs, and Co-chairs of the IPCC regret the poor application of well-established IPCC procedures in this instance. This episode demonstrates that the quality of the assessment depends on absolute adherence to the IPCC standards, including thorough review of "the quality and validity of each source before incorporating results from the source into an IPCC Report"<sup>3</sup>. We reaffirm our strong commitment to ensuring this level of performance.



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### Melting Himalayas – ICIMOD’s comments on a turbulent debate

The debate on the rate of melting of the Himalayan glaciers has gained momentum in recent days. The debate has centred on the statement made in the IPCC AR4 Working Group II report that the Himalayan glaciers are retreating faster than in any other part of the world and at the present rate of retreat could disappear by the third decade of this millennium. This has culminated with the statement from the IPCC on 20 January 2010 retracting this one statement in AR4, but reiterating that the broader conclusion of the report is unaffected.

Many of the inferences regarding glacial melting are based on terminus fluctuation or changes in glacial area, neither of which provides precise information on ice mass or volume change. Measurements of glacial mass balance would provide direct and immediate evidence of glacier volume increase or decrease with annual resolution. But there are still no systematic measurements of glacial mass balance in the region although there are promising signs that this is changing. China is the only country in the region which has been conducting long-term mass balance studies of some glaciers and it has expressed the intention of extending these to more Himalayan glaciers in the near future. India has recently started to study several glaciers for regular mass balance measurements. Recognising the importance of mass-balance measurements, ICIMOD has been promoting mass balance measurements of benchmark glaciers in its member countries and has co-organised trainings to build capacity for this in the region.

ICIMOD has been drawing attention to the severe problems resulting from the lack of good scientific data and information for the Hindu Kush-Himalayan region, especially but not only on glaciers. This severely limits the ability to understand present changes or predict future impacts, a prerequisite for good decision-making thus the Centre has been promoting development of baseline information related to environmental processes and their changes. In early 2002, ICIMOD initiated a regional inventory of glaciers and glacial lakes, based on desk research and analysis of maps, aerial photographs, and satellite images. Since then, partner institutions have continued this work and developed inventories at national scales. ICIMOD is now focusing on assimilating existing information and national data and developing a regional database so that a regional monitoring system on the status of cryospheric elements like snow and glaciers can be put in place. Standardisation of methodologies has been given due emphasis to facilitate integration of the database. At present, ICIMOD is conducting research on critical glacial lakes and is promoting the organisation of mass balance measurements in the region. Based on the analyses we have been doing, we can state that the majority of glaciers in the region are in a general condition of retreat, although with some regional differences; that small glaciers below 5000 m above sea level will probably disappear by the end of the century, whereas larger glaciers well above this level will still exist but be smaller; and that deglaciation could have serious impacts on the hydrological regime of the downstream river basins. Further, it is important to compare and summarise observations from a number of glaciers in different areas, of different size, and at different altitudes to draw clear scientifically justified conclusions about the changes that are occurring.

Although the lack of information and knowledge about the glacier melt processes in the Himalayas has been used to politicise the larger issues, the positive aspect of the debate has been the immense awareness created at various levels including politicians, decision makers, the media, and the public at large, which has led to some positive outcomes in recent months. In this context, the Indian Government has taken a decision to establish a specialised glacier research centre. Similarly, the concept of the Third Pole Environment initiated by the Chinese Academy of Sciences will have a positive impact on minimising the gaps in our basic understanding. ICIMOD is determined to contribute to developing better understanding of basic environmental processes, in particular climate change, glacial melting, and livelihoods impacts downstream, and highly commends these recent efforts made by our member countries.

21 January 2010

4 October 2013 Last updated at 10:23 GMT



## Himalayas still uphill for climate report

By Navin Singh Khadka

Environment reporter, BBC News



Space imagery tells you only so much. This data must be supported by ground measurements

Although the latest global update on climate change says the vast majority of glaciers worldwide have continued to shrink, scientists have admitted that the Himalayas remain an area where they still have very limited information.

### Related Stories

UN '95% sure' humans

## AR5

"Combinations of satellite and airborne remote sensing together with field data indicate with high confidence that the ice loss has occurred in several sectors, and that large rates of mass loss have spread to wider regions than reported in AR4.

But there is nothing like this on the Himalayas - the largest body of ice outside the northern and southern polar regions - and scientists say the main reason is the lack of studies on the ground."

**Flash floods in Uttarakhand were inevitable, given the record rainfall. But their strength was multiplied by glacial lake outbursts. And the effects were worsened many times by ill-planned development**



WIHG (Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology) has found that one of the reasons behind the recent catastrophic **floods in Uttarakhand** State of northern India on 2013 was a breach of a glacial lake.



"The heavy precipitation led to the melting of the soft snow and even old ice in the Chorabari and companion glaciers that fed to the Chorabari Lake, which got breached due to excessive water intake from the glaciers," Prof Gupta explained.



"The mixing of glacial moraine, or debris, with glacial melt water mainly impacted the town of Shri Kedarnath and downstream towns..."



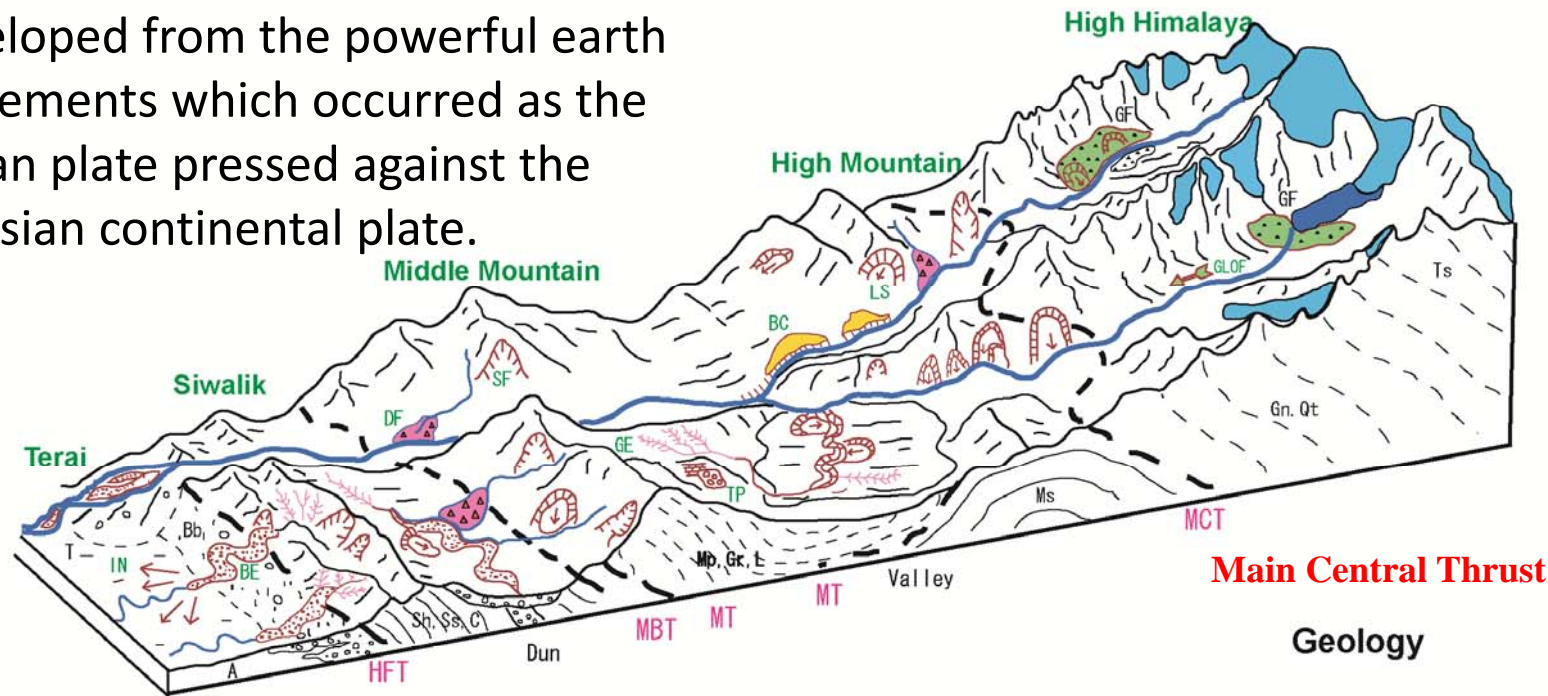
**Dig Tsho Glacial lake Nepal, in April 2009  
(after 4 August 1985 Dig Tsho GLOF)**

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## **Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs)**

- Glacial lakes formed by rapid retreat of glaciers**
- Water volume increase in these lakes from the glacier melt**
- Lakes retained by unconsolidated moraine dams and ice core**
- Moraine failure due to piping and overtopping**
- Triggered by many factors**
- Damaging impact downstream**
- Common in Nepal, Tibet/China, Bhutan and other parts of HKH**

The **Himalayan mountain system** developed from the powerful earth movements which occurred as the Indian plate pressed against the Eurasian continental plate.



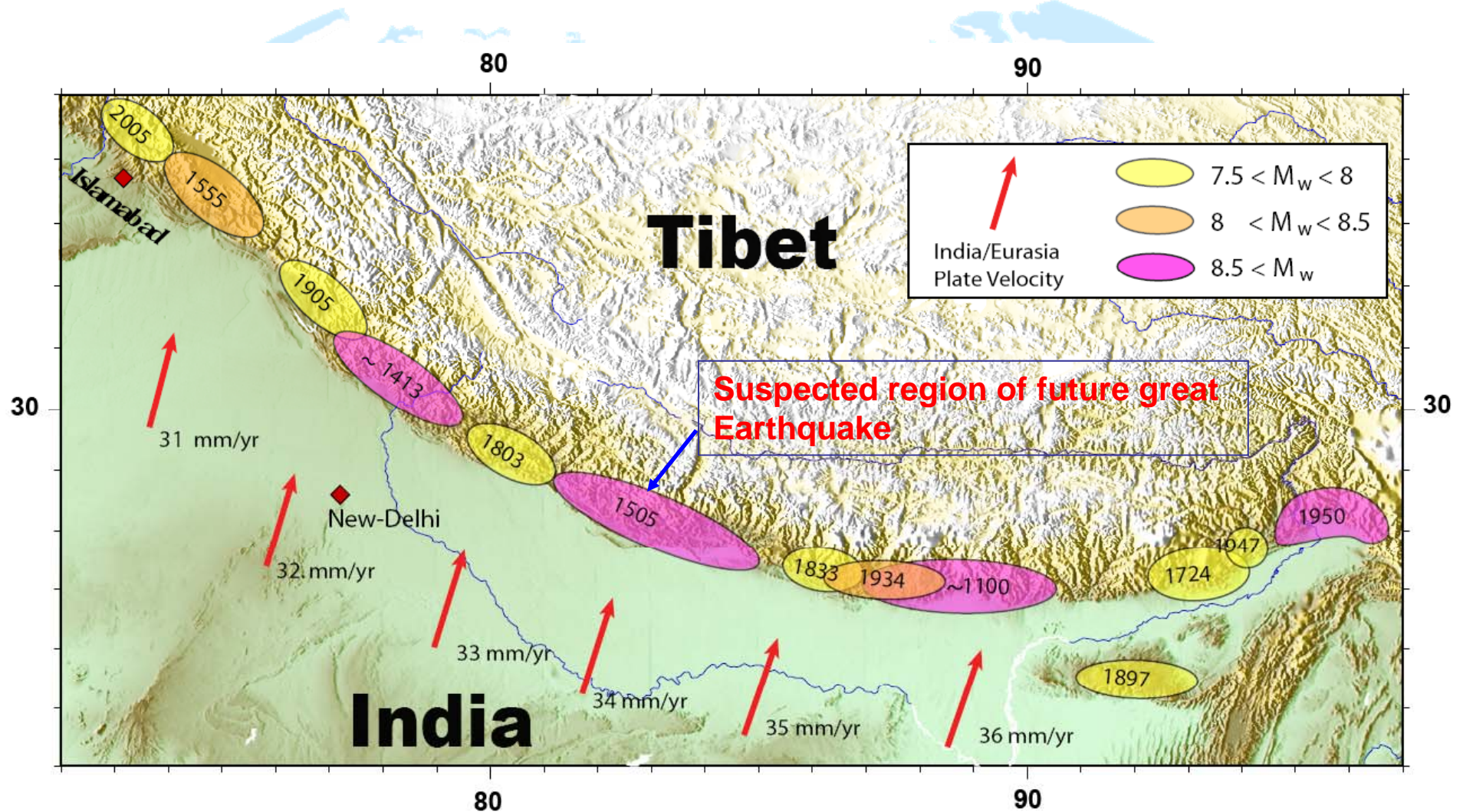
Hazards	
	<b>BC</b> Block collapse
	<b>BE</b> Bank erosion
	<b>DF</b> Debris flow
	<b>GE</b> Gully erosion
	<b>GLOF</b> Glacial lake outburst flood
	<b>LS</b> Landslide (Deep-seated)
	<b>SF</b> Slope failure
	<b>TP</b> Rock slide by toppling

Terrain	
	Glacier
	River
	Lake
	Mountain
	Basin
	Bahbar zone (composed of sand and gravel)
	Terai (composed of silt and clay)

Geology	
<b>A</b>	Alluvium
<b>C</b>	Conglomerate
<b>Gn</b>	Gneiss
<b>Gr</b>	Granite
<b>Gf</b>	Glacial and Fluvio-glacial deposits
<b>L</b>	Limestone
<b>Mp</b>	Metamorphosed rocks
<b>Ms</b>	Metasandstone
<b>Ss</b>	Sandstone
<b>Sh</b>	Shale
<b>Qt</b>	Quartzite
<b>Ts</b>	Tibetan sediments
	Fault

**Types of Water Induced Hazards in Different Physiographic Regions of Nepal**  
(Modified from Nelson et al., 1980 and Ramsay, 1986)

# Himalaya is a Seismic Active Zone



Estimated Rupture Area of major Himalayan earthquakes (M>7.5)

Bilham (2004), Ambraseys and Bilham (2000), Kumar, et al. (2006) Lavé, et al. (2005)

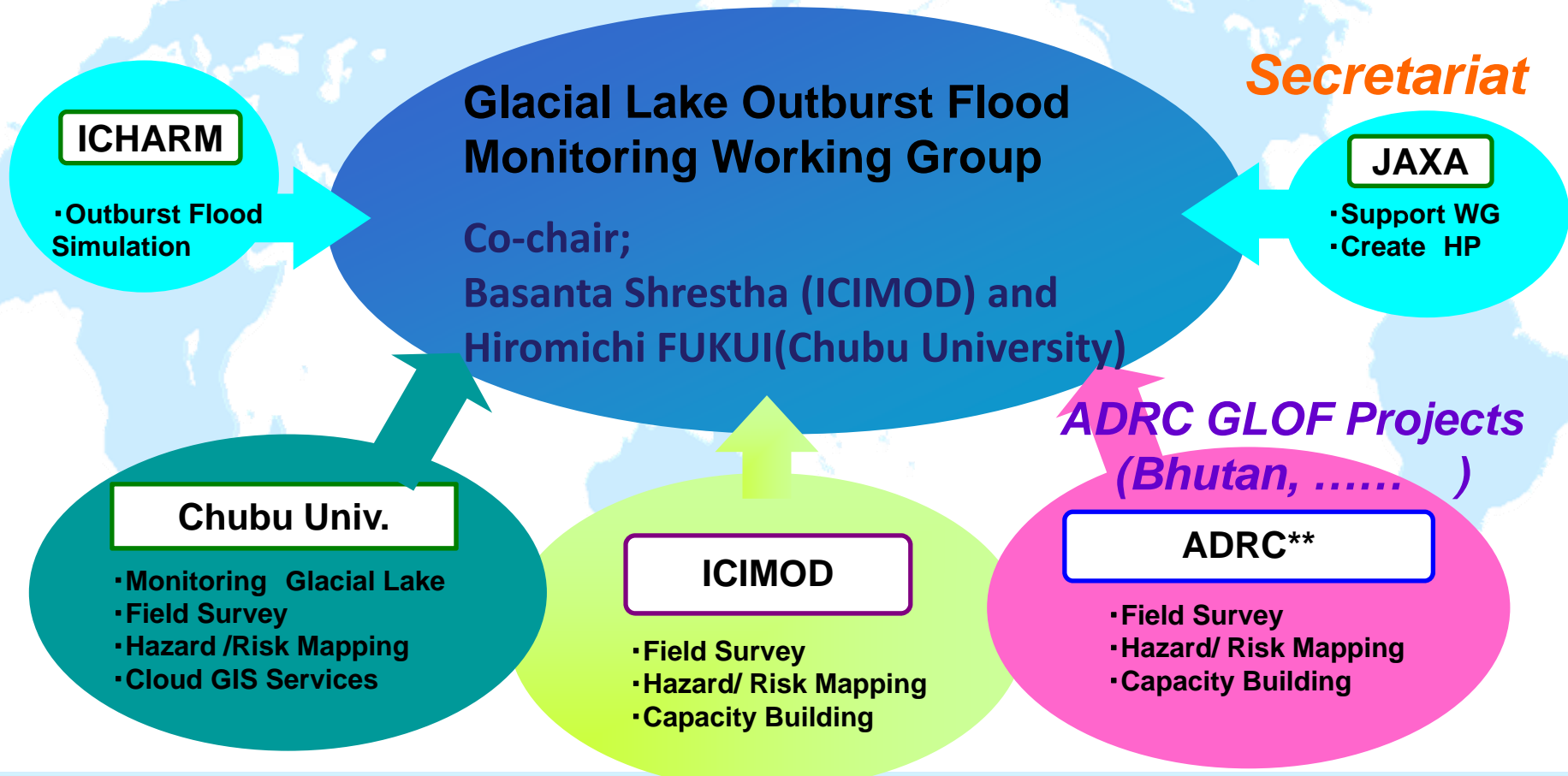








## Framework of GLOF WG



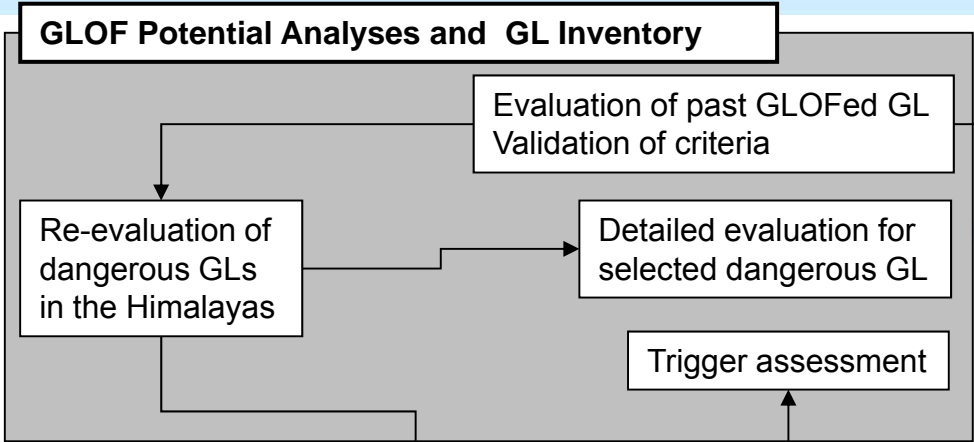
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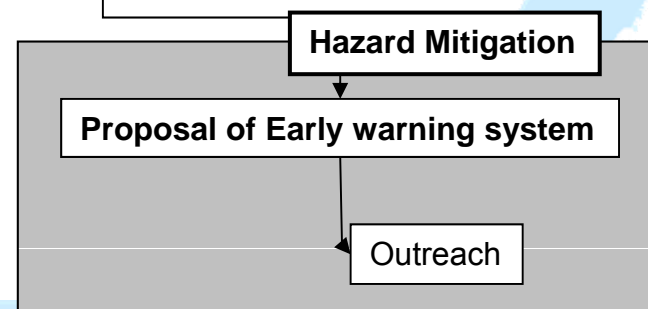
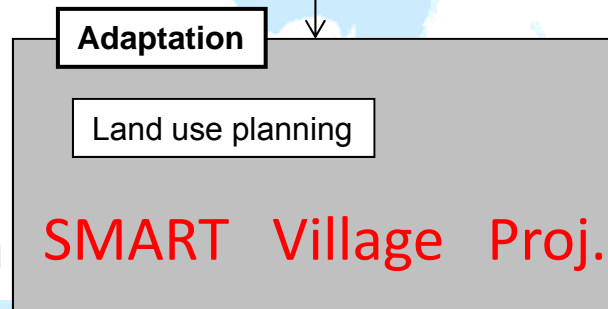
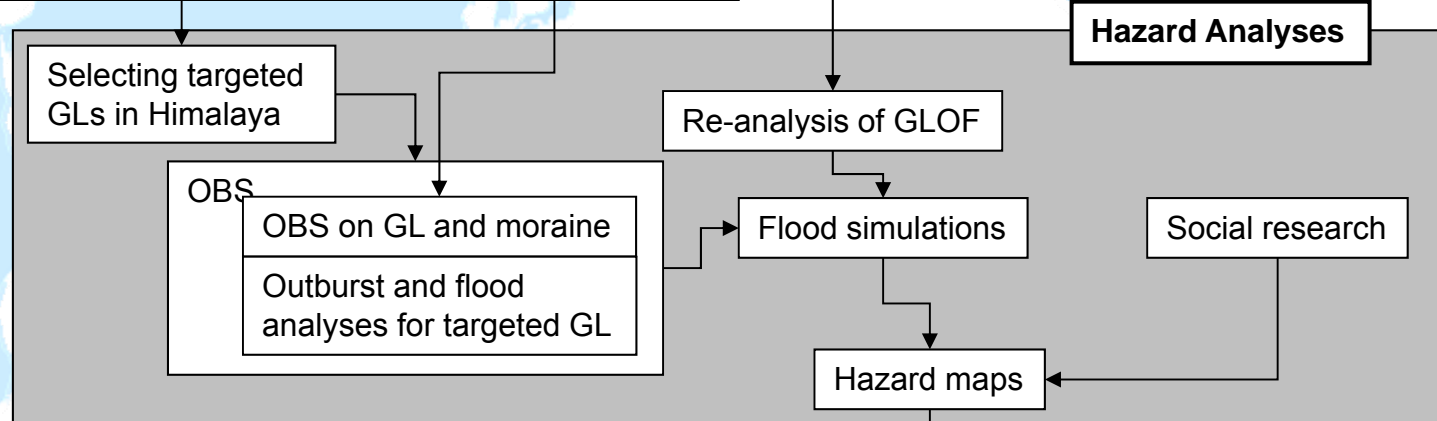
# Outline of WG Actions

Modified JICA-JST Project in Bhutan



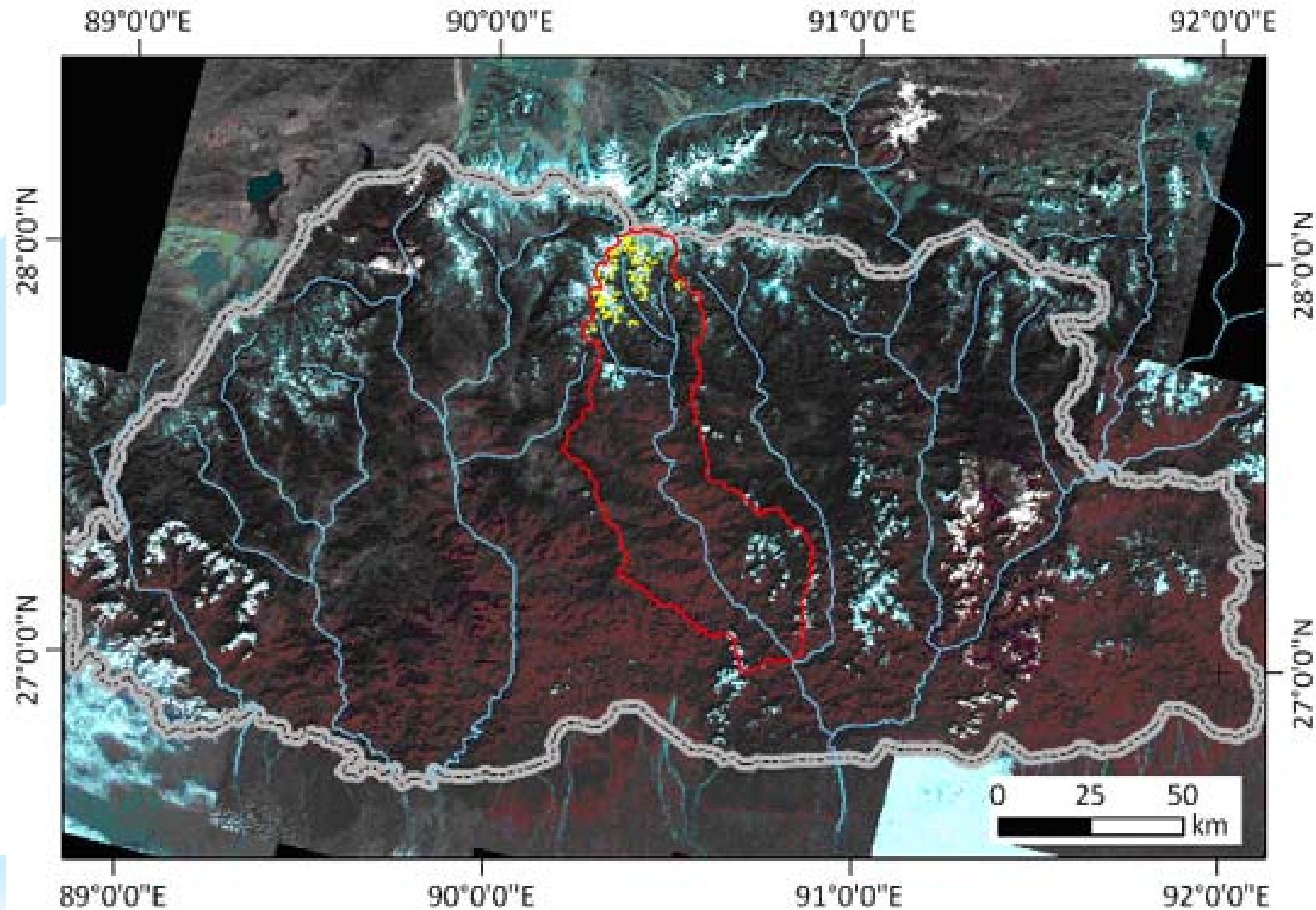
**mass balance of glacier analysis  
combined by Satellite Image and  
in-situ data, field survey**

- landslide and ice fall possibility
- expansion rate and water volume
- moraine structure and feature
- seepage in the moraine



Note:  
GLOF: glacial lake outburst flood  
GL: glacial lake  
OBS: observation

# ALOS-based glacial lake inventory in Bhutan

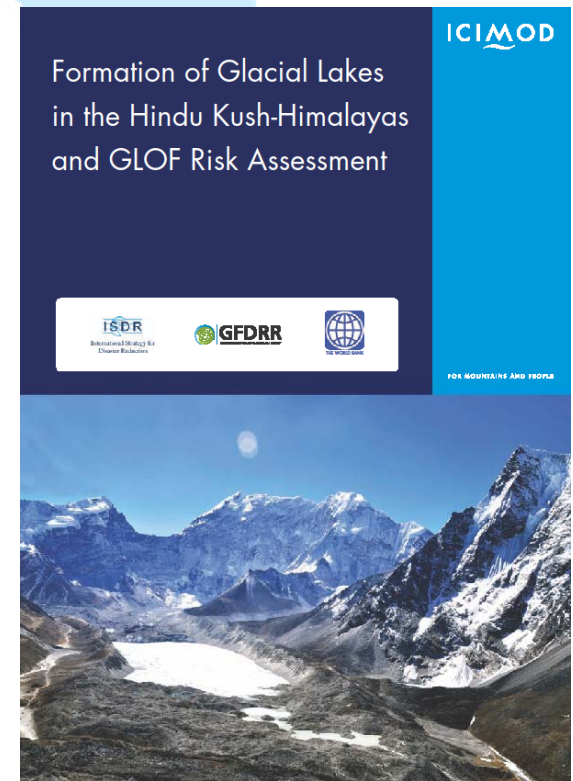


# Glacial Lakes Inventory by ICIMOD

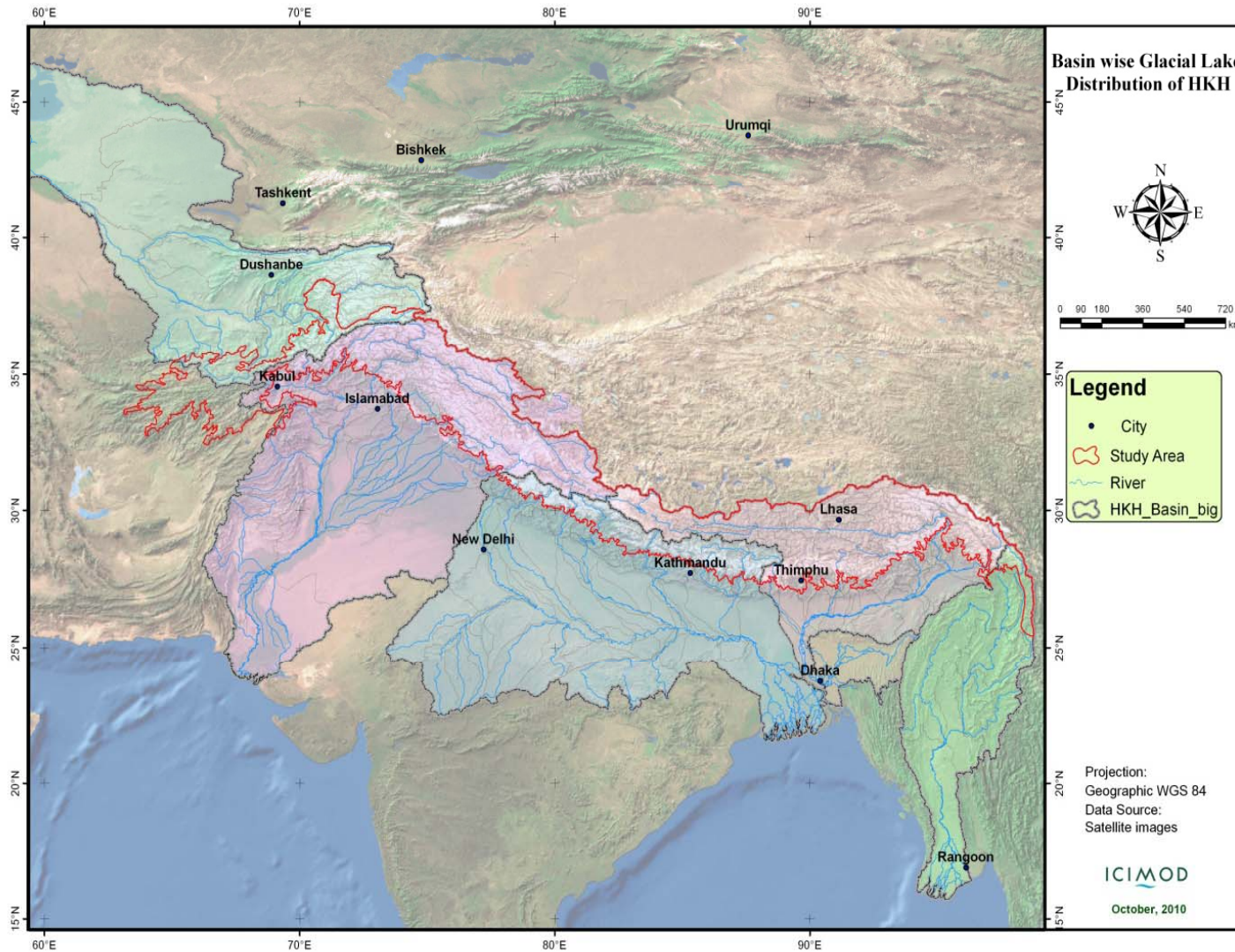
Comprehensive reports on glacial lakes  
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(<http://books.icimod.org/demo/index.php/downloads/pd/692>)

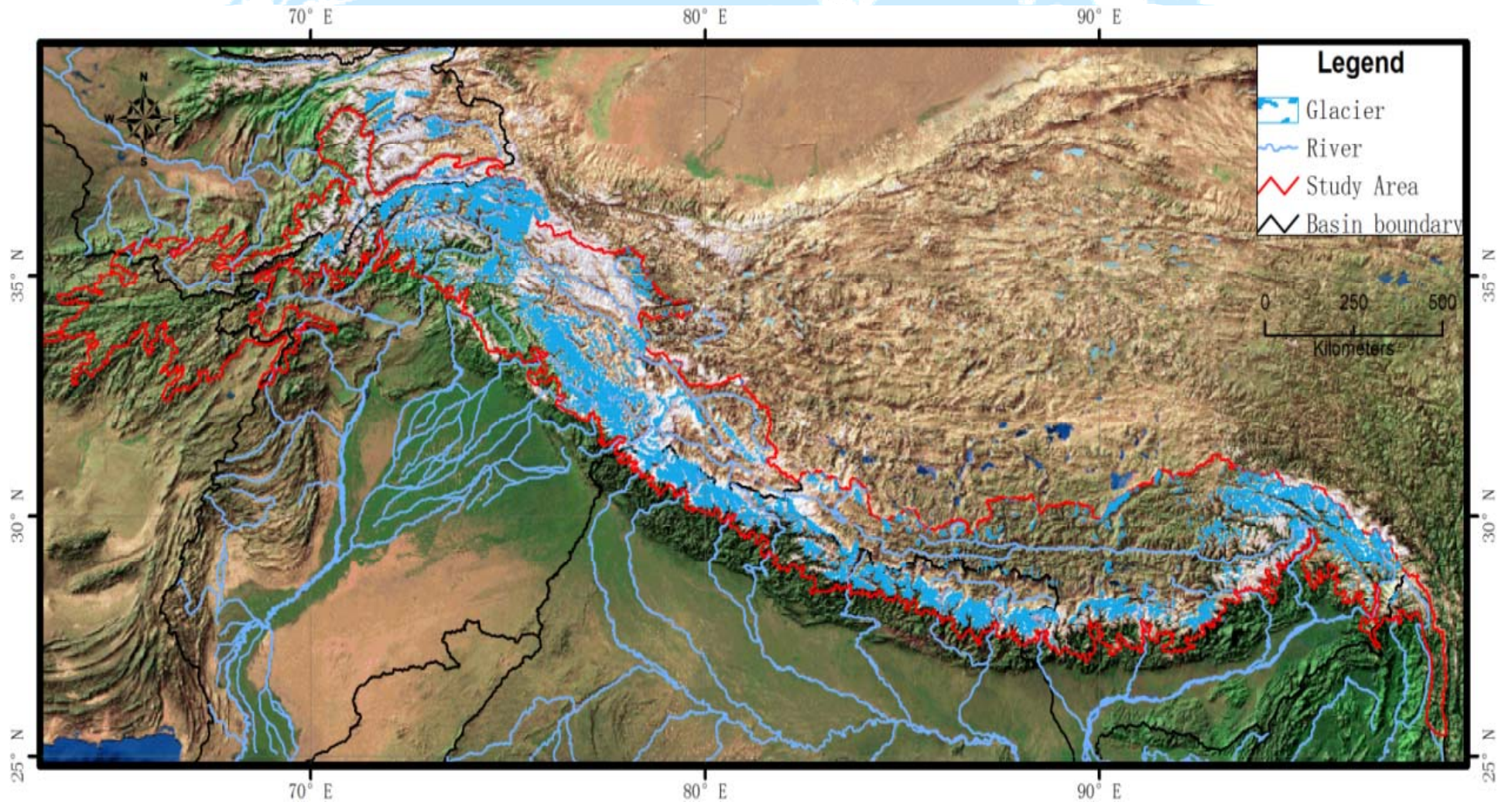
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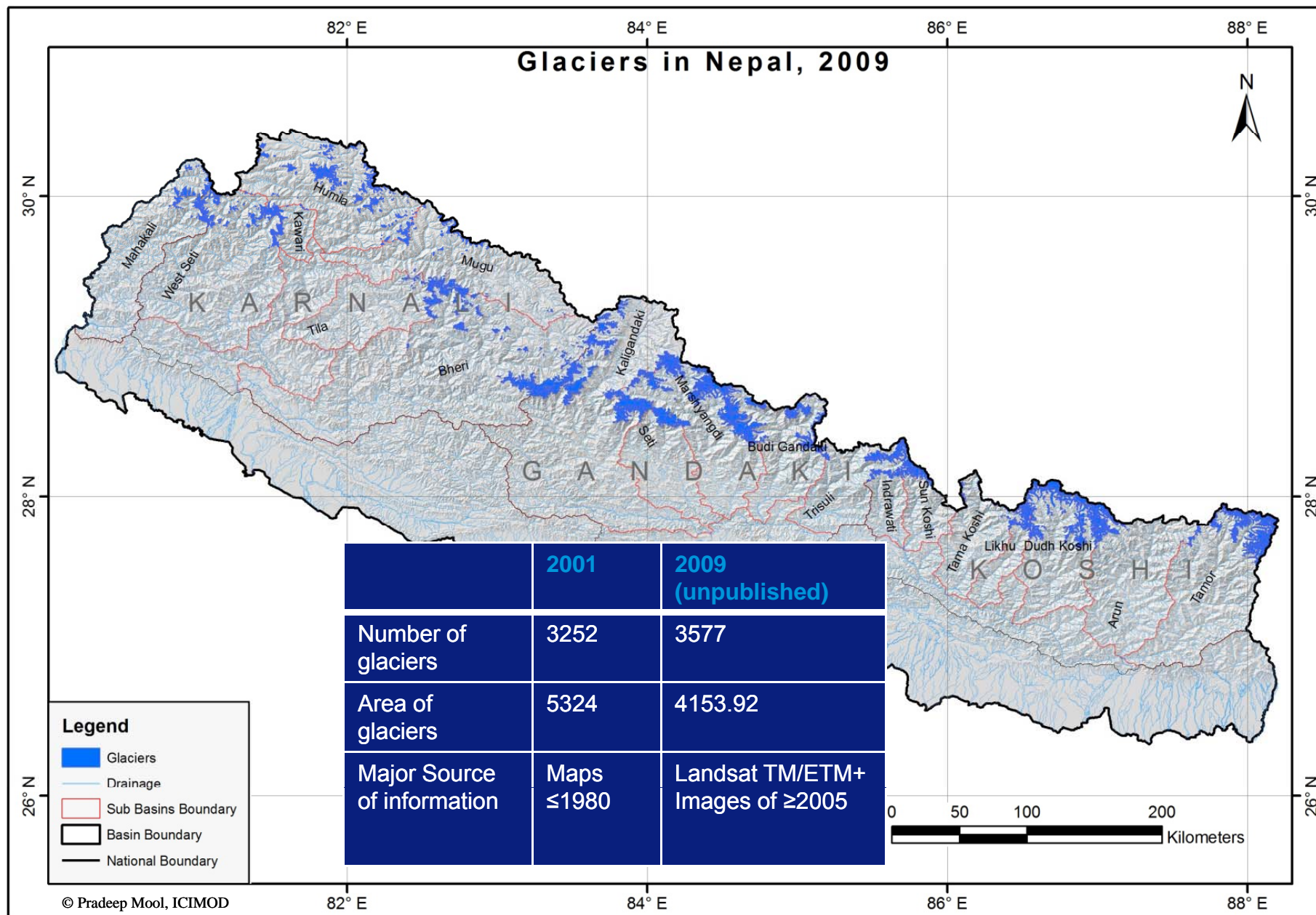
# Glacial lake mapping of five river basins of HKH region



# Distribution of glaciers in HKH region

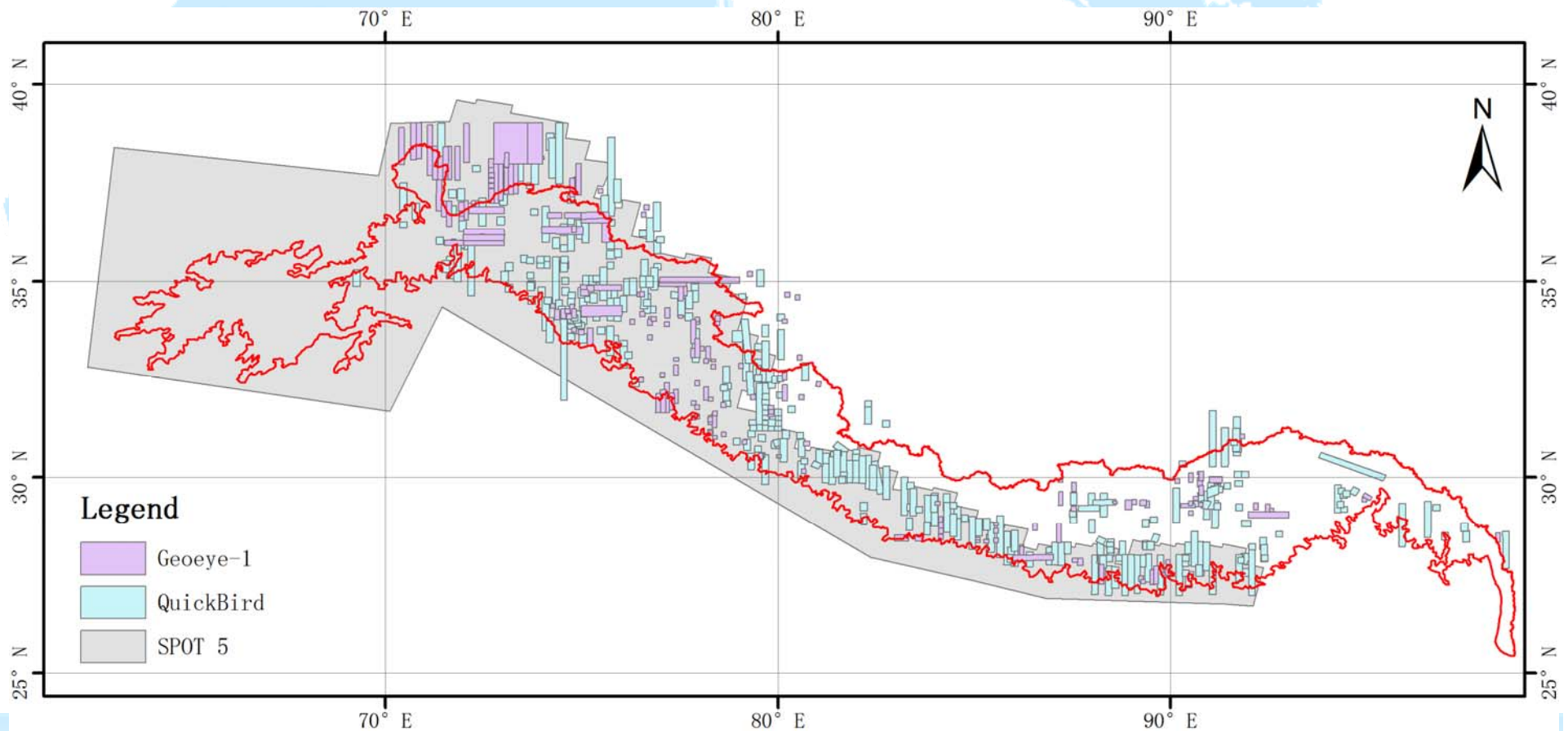


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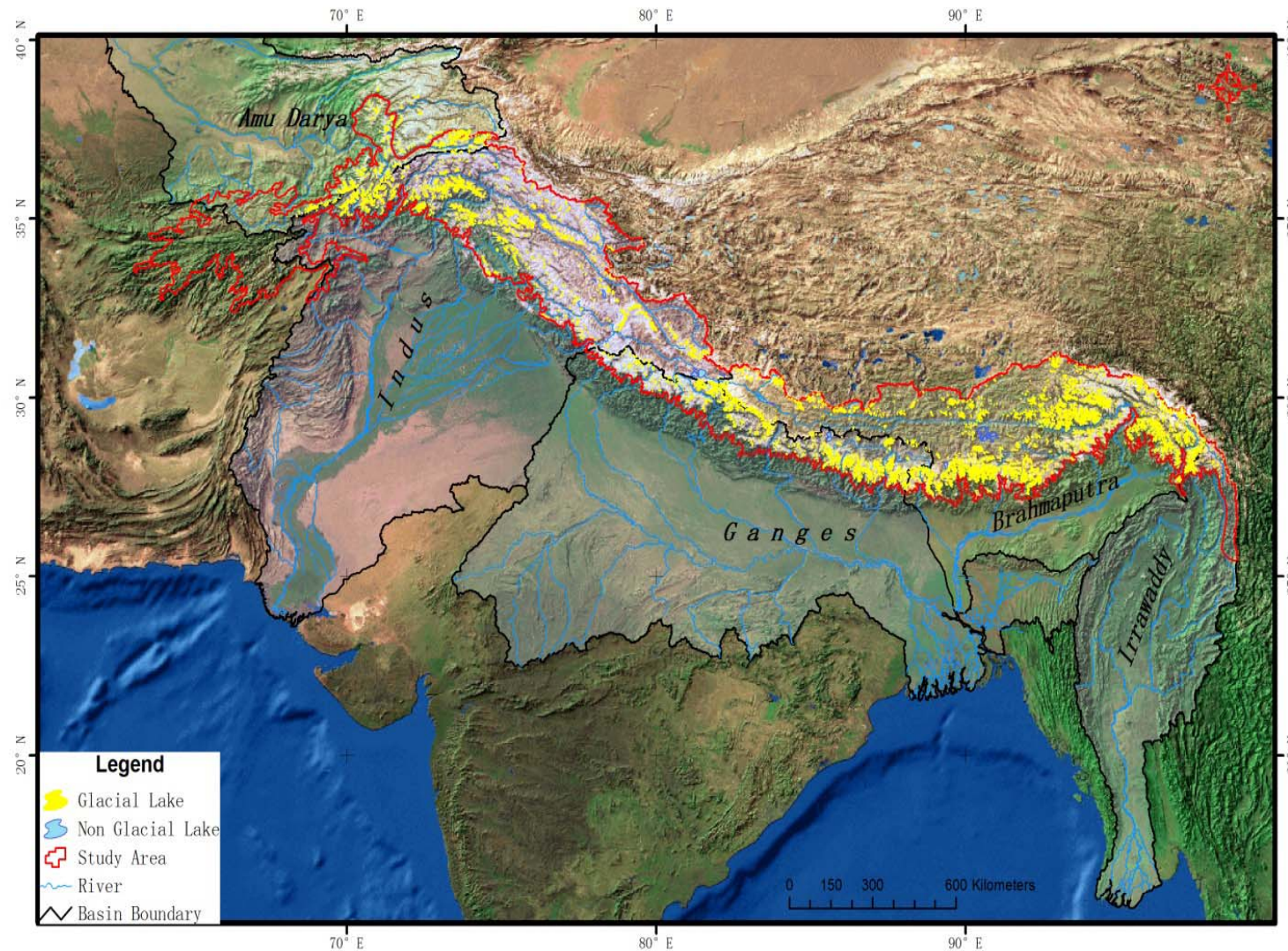
# Data source for glacial lake mapping in HKH in 2010

Data source: Landsat TM/ETM+, Geoeye-1, QuickBird, Spot5





# Glacial lakes in HKH region



# Glacial lake mapping in HKH region

Basin Name	Basin Code	All Lake Number		Total Area (km <sup>2</sup> )		Mean Area	Max Area	Min Area	Range of Altitude
		N	%	Area	%	(km <sup>2</sup> )	(km <sup>2</sup> )	(km <sup>2</sup> )	
<b>Amu Darya</b>	Am	1521	7.4	129.4	3	0.09	39.18	0.01	2977-5213
<b>Brahmaputra</b>	Br	10097	49.3	2367	54.8	0.23	625.3	0.01	2464-6058
<b>Ganges</b>	Ga	3840	18.7	598.1	13.8	0.16	270.4	0.01	3405-5980
<b>Indus</b>	In	4889	23.9	1218	28.2	0.25	411.1	0.01	1586-6048
<b>Irrawaddy</b>	Ir	138	0.7	7.86	0.2	0.06	0.5	0.01	3098-4807
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## Prioritization of Potentially Dangerous Lakes in Nepal (ICIMOD, 2010)

No.	Name of the lake	Lake ID Number of 2001 Study	Lake ID Number of 2010 Study	New lakes not listed in 2001	Category
1	Tsho Rolpa	kta_gl_26	kota_gl_0009		I
2	Lower Barun		koar_gl_0009		I
3	Imja	kdu_gl_350	kodu_gl_0184		I
4	Lumding	kdu_gl_28	kodu_gl_0036		I
5	West Chamjang	kdu_gl_467	kodu_gl_0242		I
6	Thulagi (Dona)	gmar_gl_70	gamar_gl_0018		I
7	Nagma	ktr_gl_192	kotr_gl_0133		II
8	Hungu	kdu_gl_464	kodu_gl_0241		II
9	Tam Pokhari	kdu_gl_399	kodu_gl_0193		II
10	Hungu				II
11					III
12					III
13	Barun				III
14					III
15	(Q)				III
16	(H)				III
17					III
18	(S)				III
19	(B)				III
20	East Hungu 2				III
21	Kaligandaki (T)	gka_gl_67	gaka_gl_0022		III

Note:

Categories among the 21 Prioritized Potentially Dangerous Lakes (ICIMOD, 2009 unpublished)

I. six of these were considered potentially dangerous lakes requiring detailed field investigation and mapping,

II. four potentially dangerous lakes which require close monitoring with reconnaissance field surveys, and

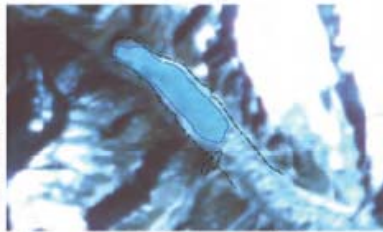
III. another eleven lakes which require periodic observation

# Required for monitoring of :Trakarding Glacier, Tsho Rolpa glacial lake and surroundings

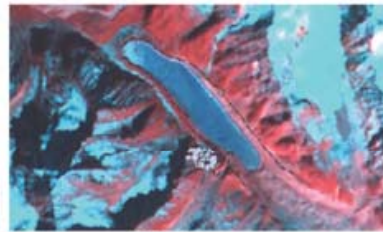




1957-59, Aerial Photo Survey of India



2 December 1983, SpaceLab IR



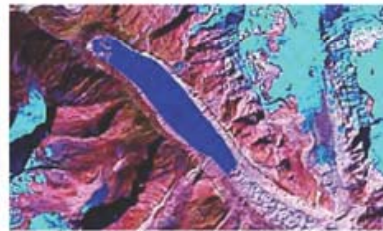
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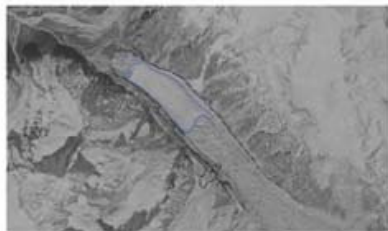
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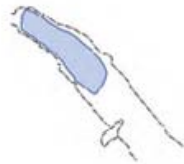
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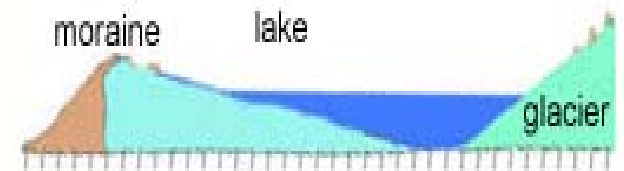
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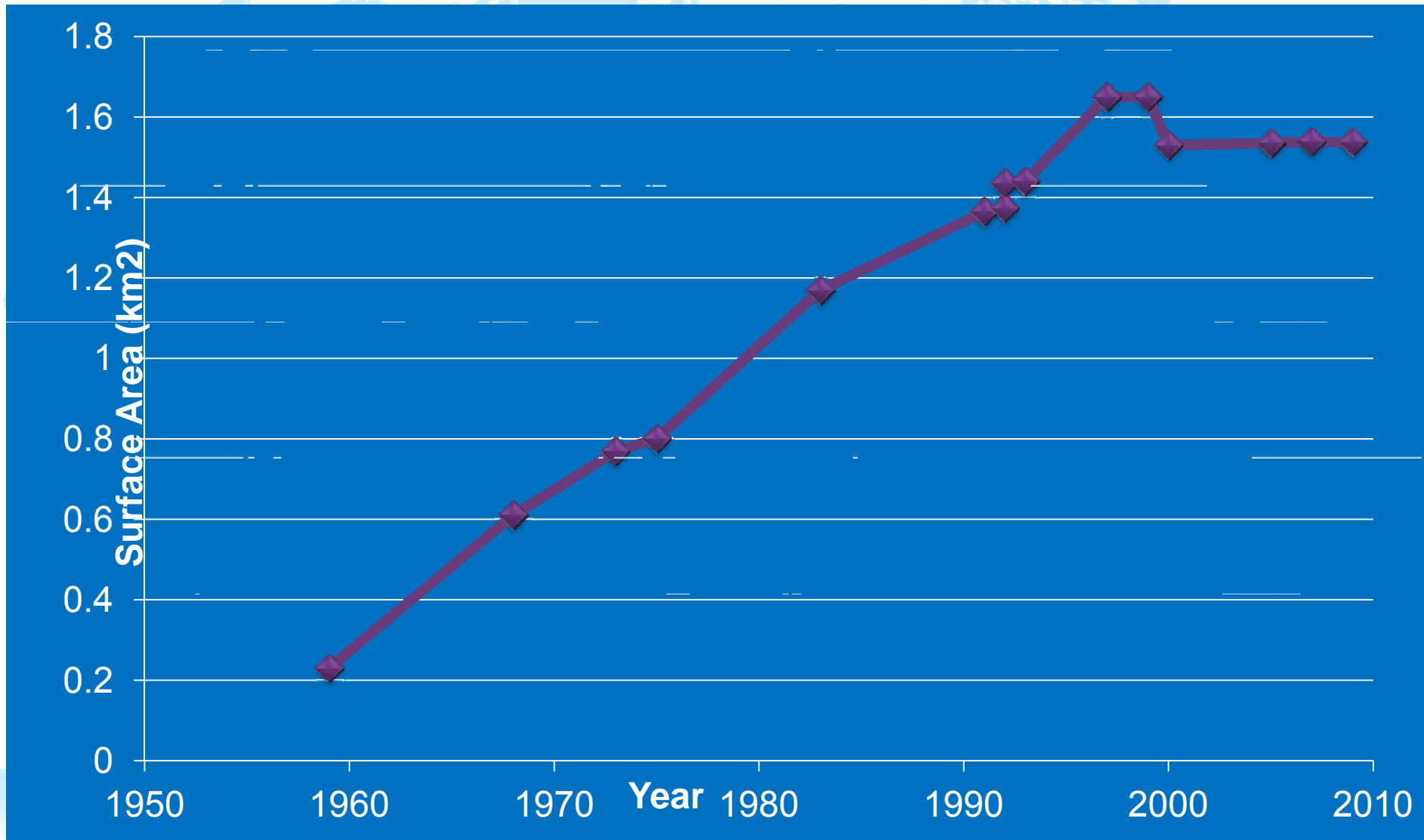


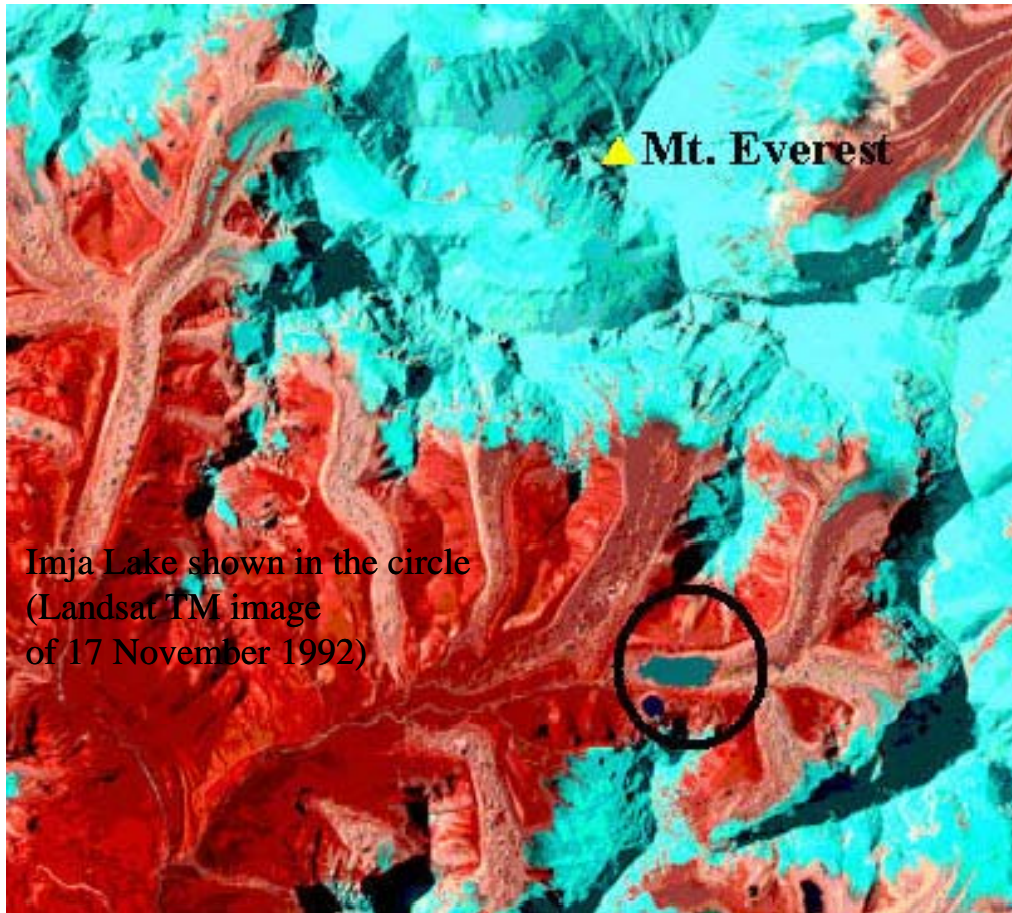
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## Formation and Expansion of Tsho Rolpa Glacial Lake

# Growth of Tsho Rolpa Glacial Lake





Imja Lake shown in the circle  
(Landsat TM image  
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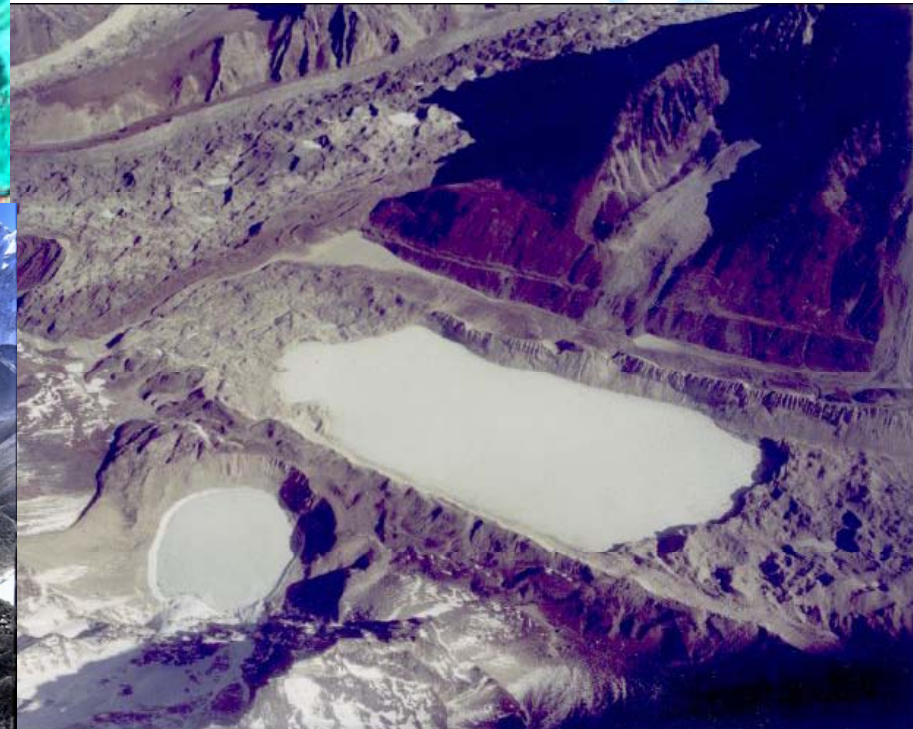
## Imja Tsho glacial lake

**22 April 1991**

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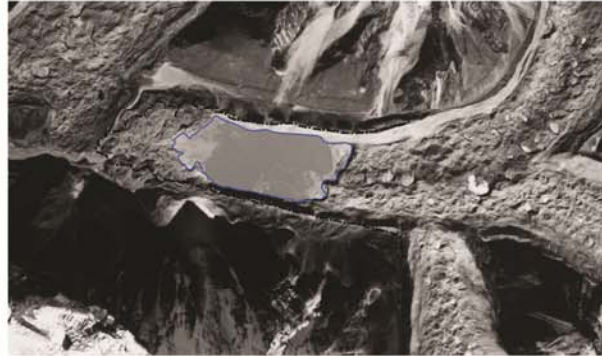


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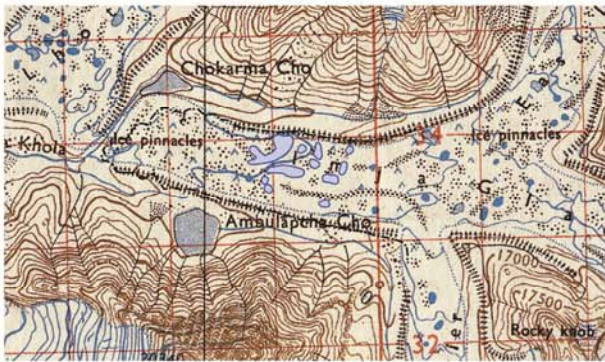
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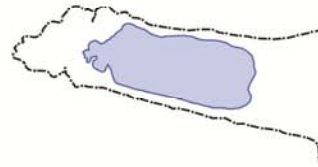
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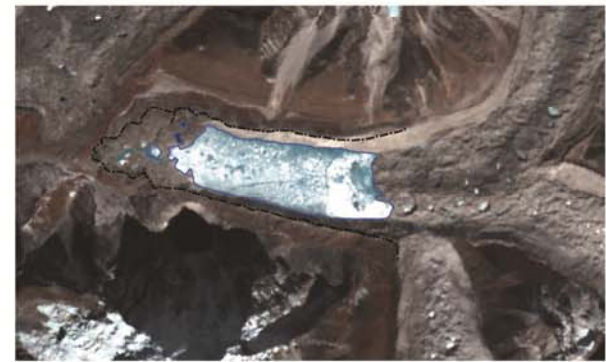
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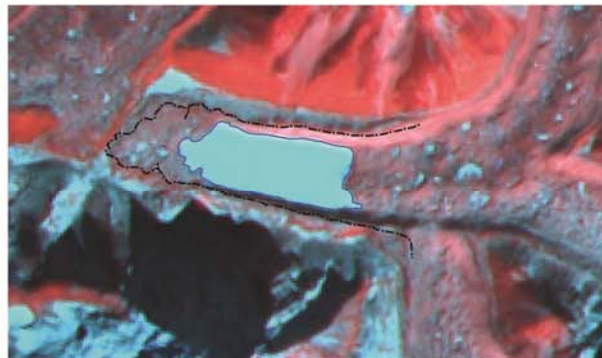
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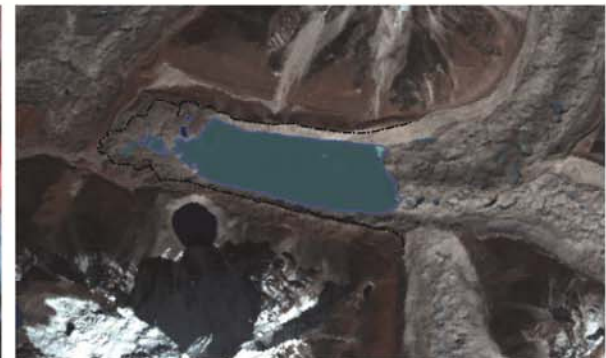
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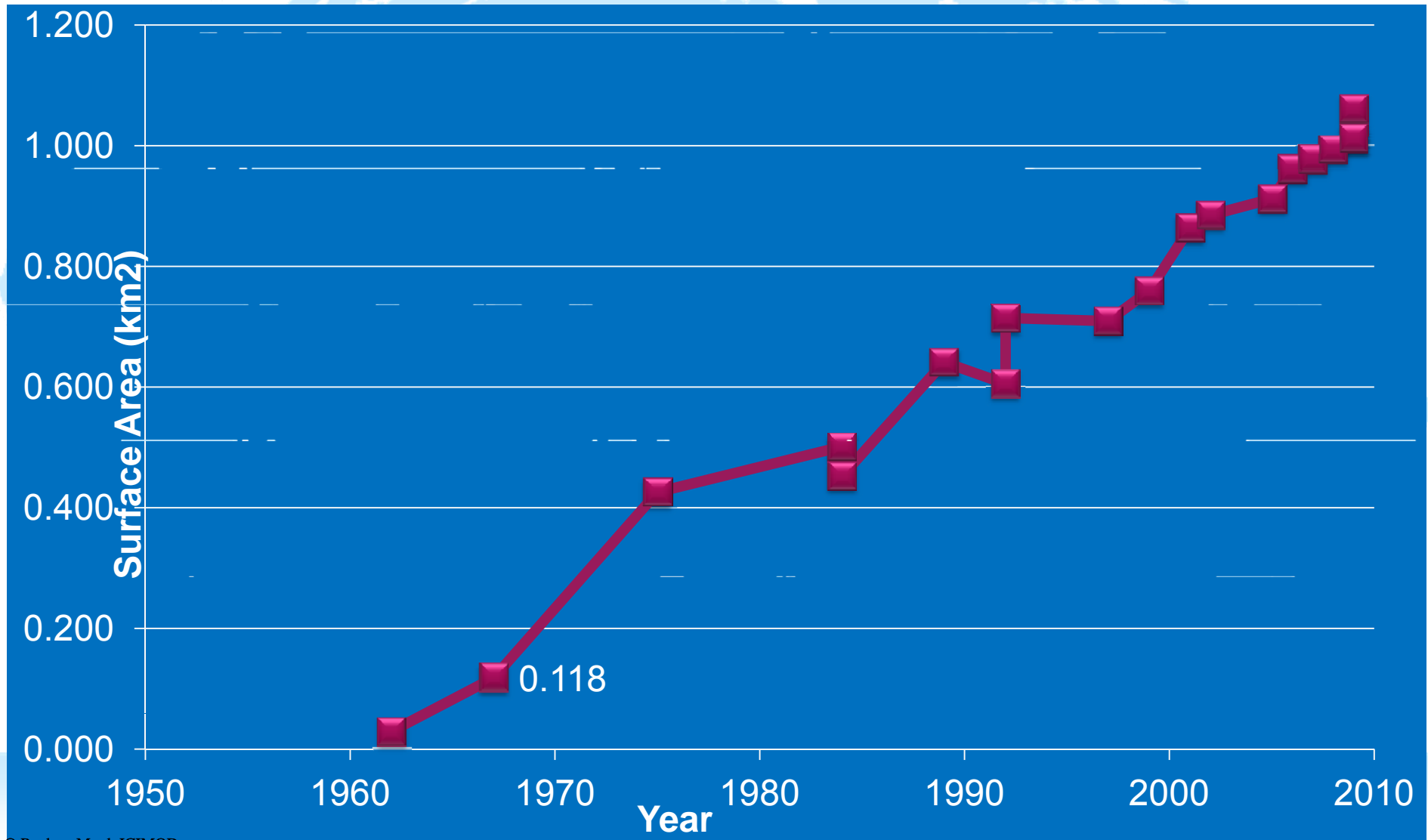
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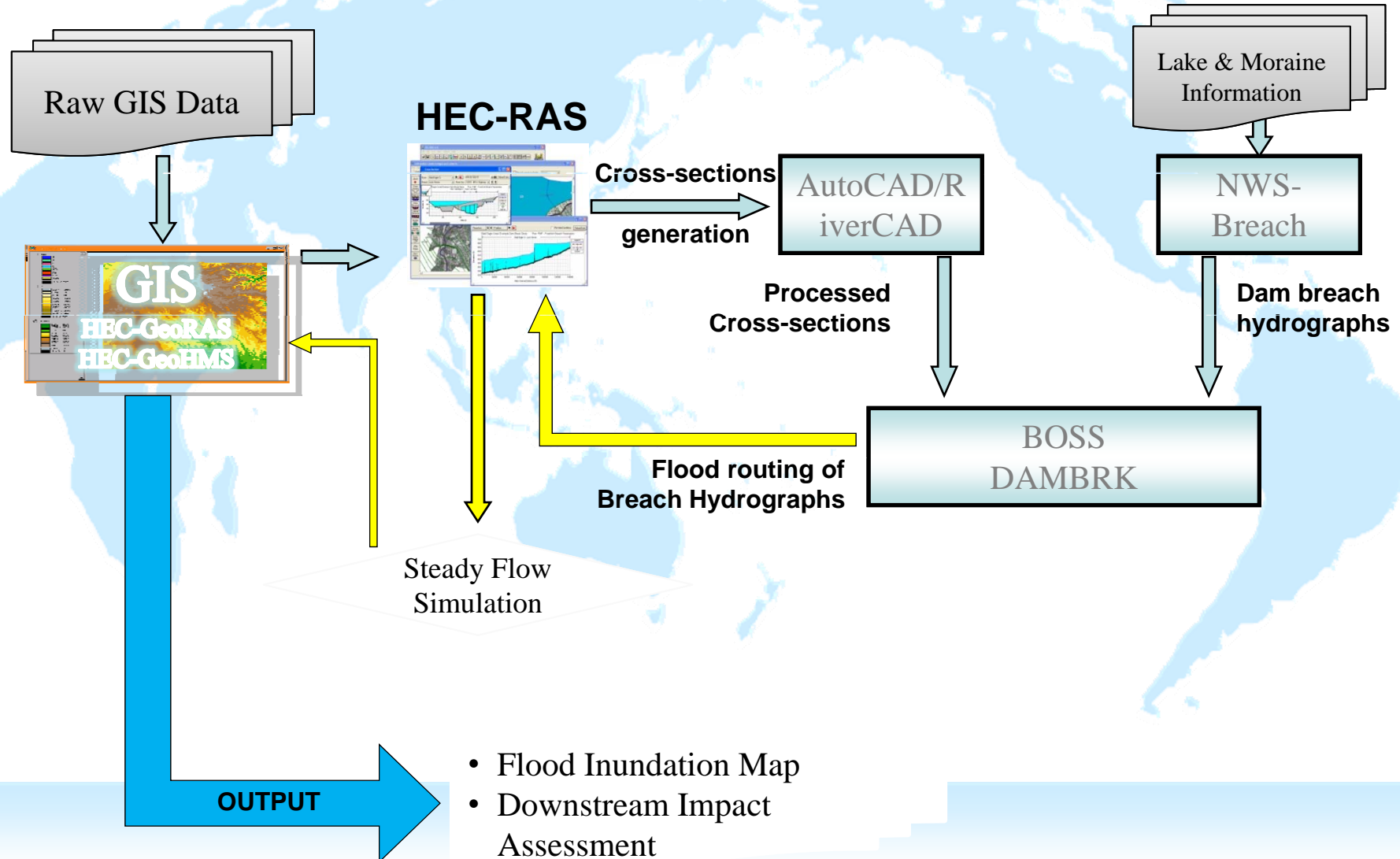
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# Growth of Imja Glacial Lake



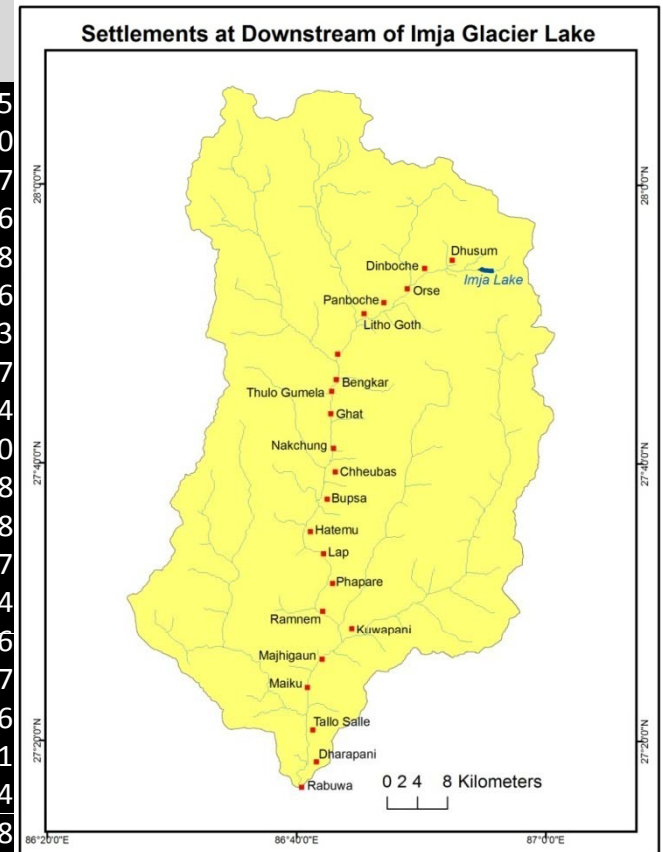
# Dam Break Modeling



# Imja Tsho glacial lake

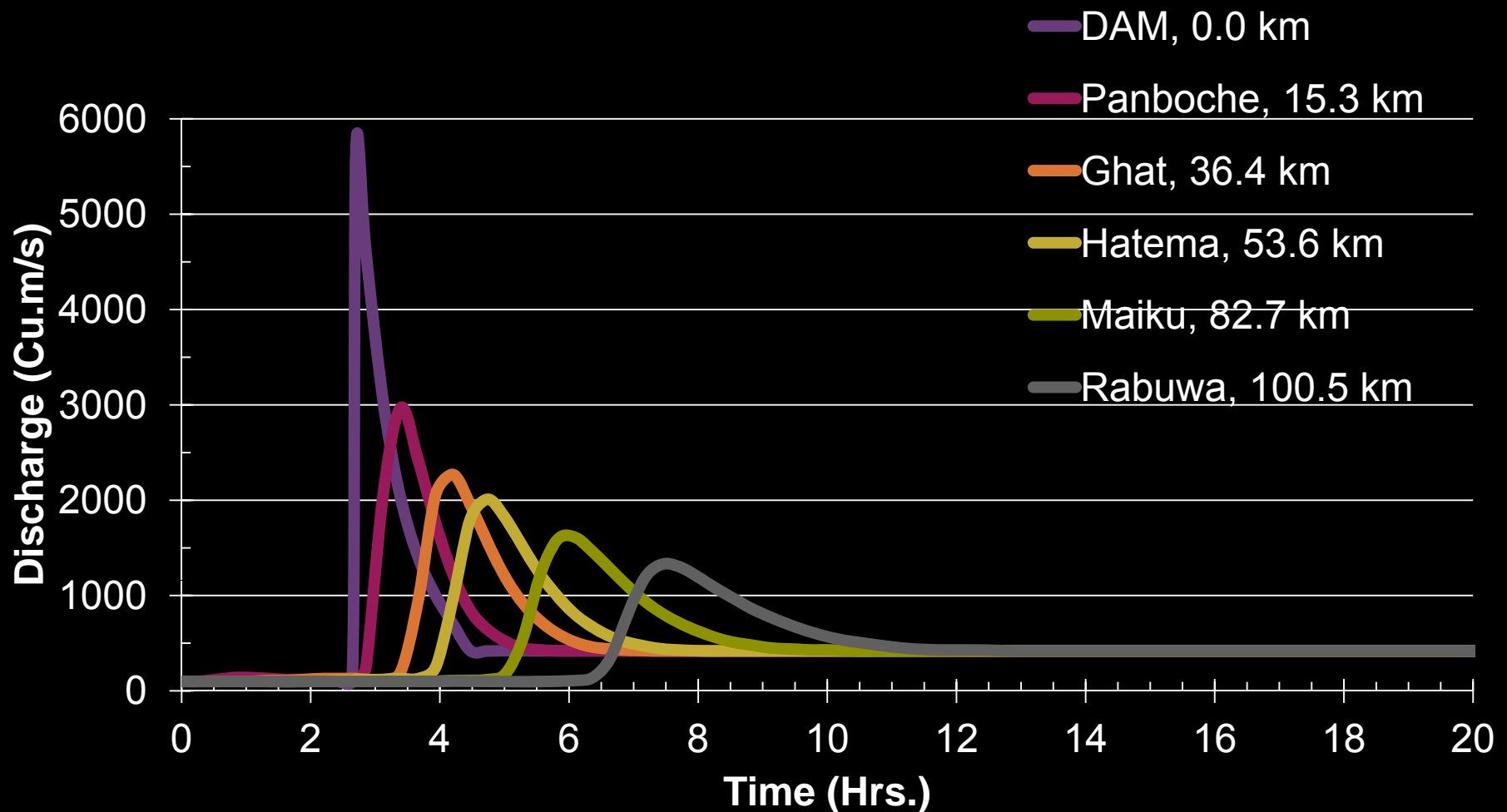
## Results of Dam Break Model

SN	Location	Distance from Dam (km)	Maximum Flow (Cu.m/s)	Max. Flood reaching time (hrs)	Maximum Stage Elevation (m MSL)	Normal Flow Water Elevation (m MSL)	Normal Flow Depth (m)	Flood Depth* (m)
1	DAM	0.00	5708	2.124	4994.42	4983.17	2.17	11.25
2	Dhusum	4.16	3813	2.989	4704.17	4698.87	1.10	5.30
3	Dinboche	7.97	3409	3.124	4334.44	4327.97	1.97	6.47
4	Orse	11.69	3159	3.259	4047.08	4040.82	1.11	6.26
5	Panboche	15.72	2965	3.394	3792.06	3786.88	2.18	5.18
6	Litho Goth	20.71	2766	3.529	3266.96	3264.30	1.08	2.66
7	Confluence	25.25	2604	3.665	2905.78	2898.35	1.51	7.43
8	Bengkar	29.18	2493	3.800	2725.83	2720.46	2.46	5.37
9	Thulo Gumela	32.94	2383	3.935	2595.02	2590.18	2.03	4.84
10	Ghat	37.34	2264	4.205	2419.05	2413.05	1.62	6.00
11	Nakchung	41.17	2192	4.340	2099.61	2096.43	1.15	3.18
12	Chheubas	44.30	2148	4.340	1784.02	1778.24	3.24	5.78
13	Buspa	48.16	2102	4.340	1604.60	1598.43	2.43	6.17
14	Hatemu	53.22	2011	4.745	1418.06	1412.32	2.32	5.74
15	Lap	57.89	1956	4.880	1236.80	1228.64	4.07	8.16
16	Phapare	62.72	1894	5.016	1104.41	1098.04	3.04	6.37
17	Ramnem	67.77	1835	5.151	943.07	938.21	2.21	4.86
18	Kuwapani	71.98	1785	5.421	839.05	832.44	3.01	6.61
19	Majhigaun	77.70	1707	5.691	741.51	736.17	2.75	5.34
20	Maiku	82.33	1640	5.961	638.29	635.51	0.94	2.78
21	Tallo Salle	88.55	1551	6.367	533.29	529.21	2.21	4.08
22	Dharapani	93.35	1475	6.772	487.30	483.01	1.73	4.29
23	Rabuwa	100.20	1328	7.447	446.25	442.62	2.62	3.63

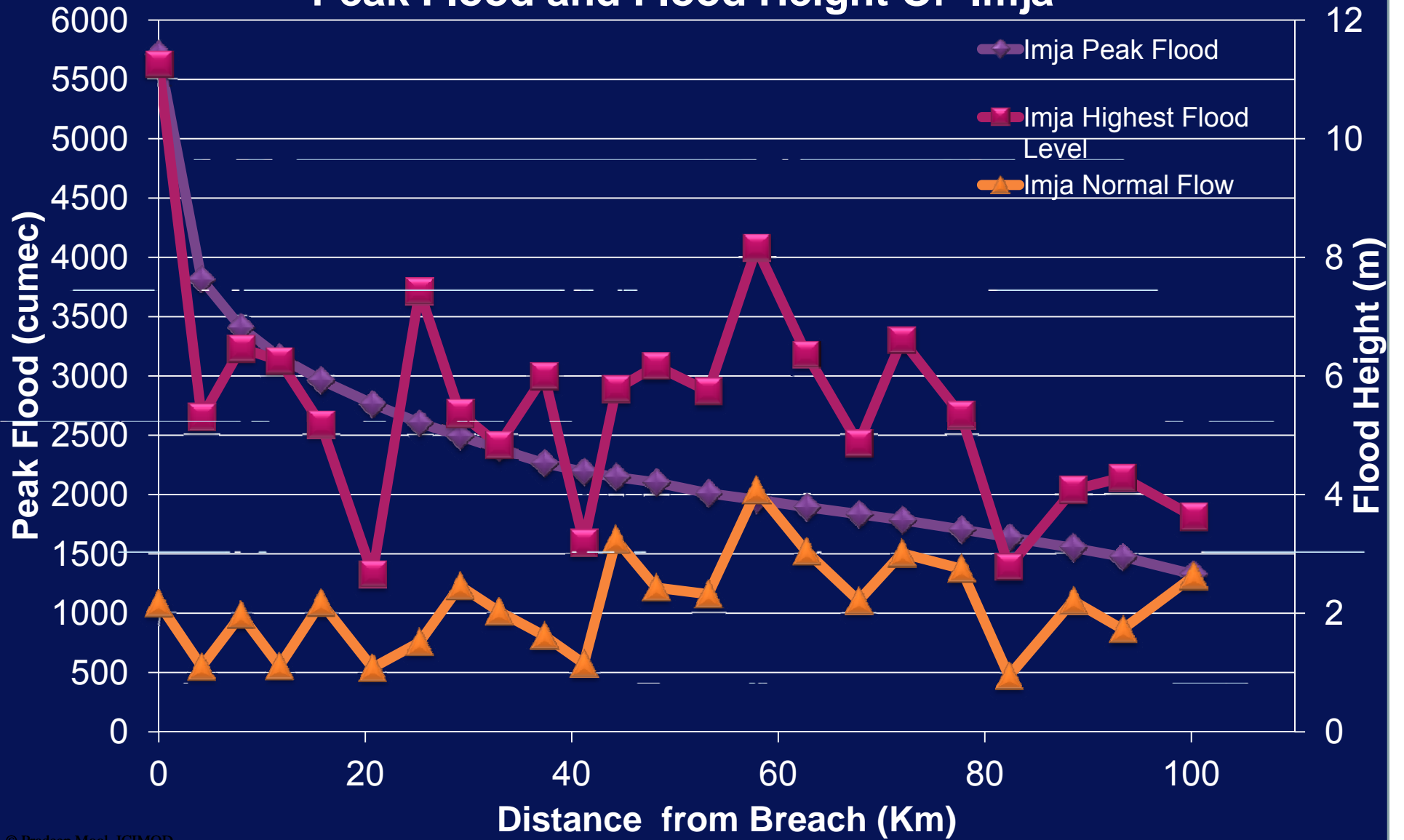


\*above the normal flow depth

# Attenuation of Imja Potential GLOF

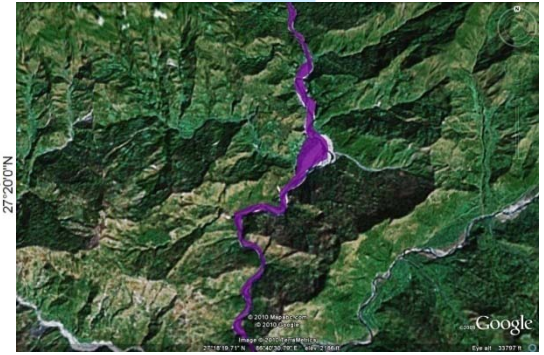
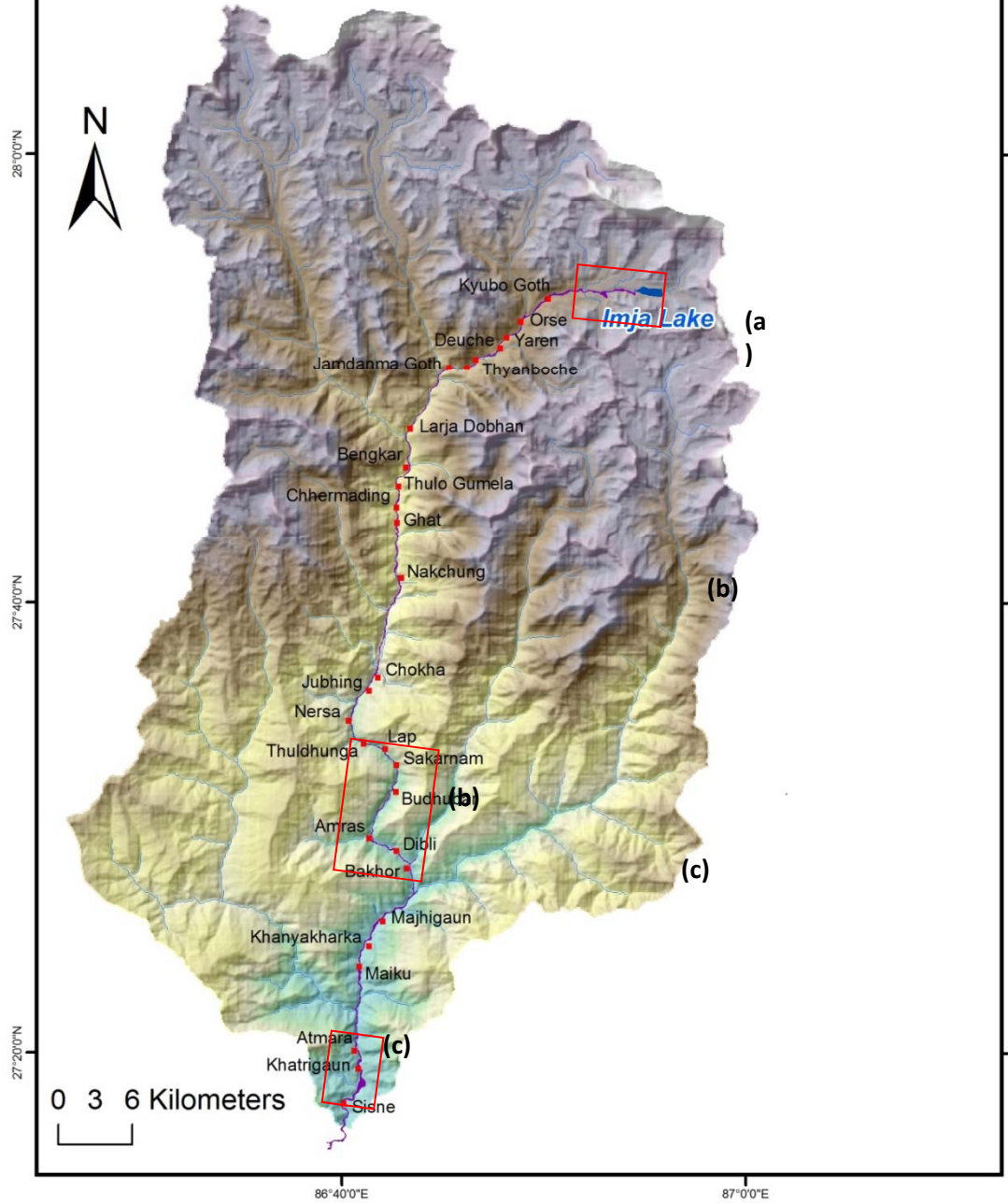


# Peak Flood and Flood Height Of Imja

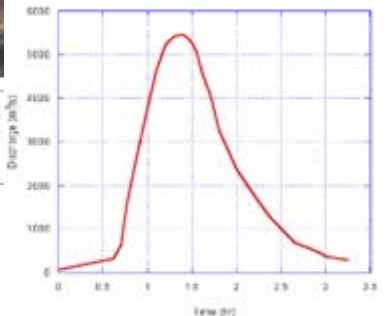


86°40'0"E 87°0'0"E

## FLOOD INUNDATION MAP (20 meters Breach of Imja Glacier Lake)

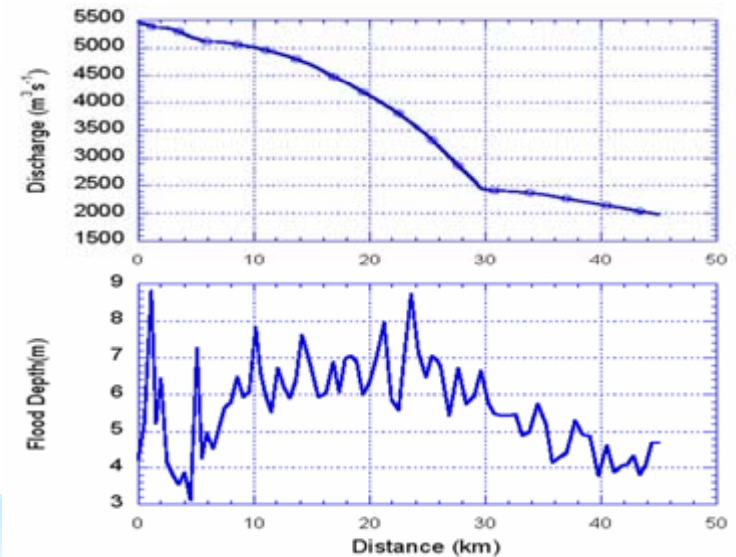


# Simulation of GLOF scenario from Imja



GLOF hydrograph of Imja

Place	Ch (km)	Time (min)	Discharge ( $\text{m}^3\text{s}^{-1}$ )	Flood Depth (m)
Lake outlet	0.0	0.0	5461	
Dingboche	7.518	13.9	5094	5.81
Orso	11.545	18.8	4932	5.53
Pangboche	13.648	21.3	4800	7.62
Larja Dovan	25.940	34.8	3223	6.91
Bengkar	29.669	38.8	2447	6.64
Ghat	34.559	46.4	2355	5.75



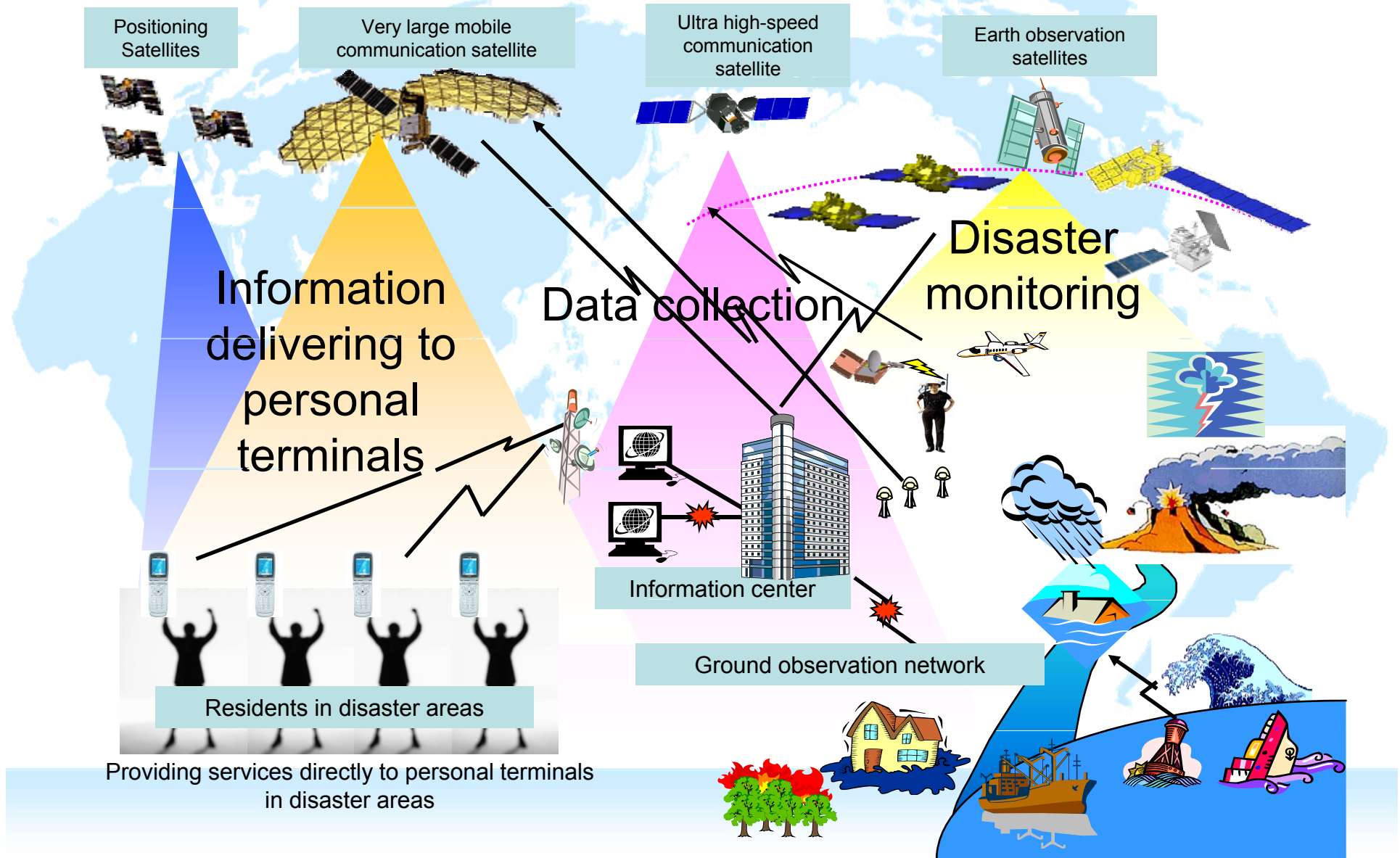
Peak flow and peak flood depth along the rivers

# GLOF Vulnerability at Dingboche





# JAXA Vision of a Disaster Management Support System in the Asia-Pacific Region



## Case Study 2



**Pilot project on Monitoring Imja Glacial Lake**  
--- Global Warming Front Monitoring System

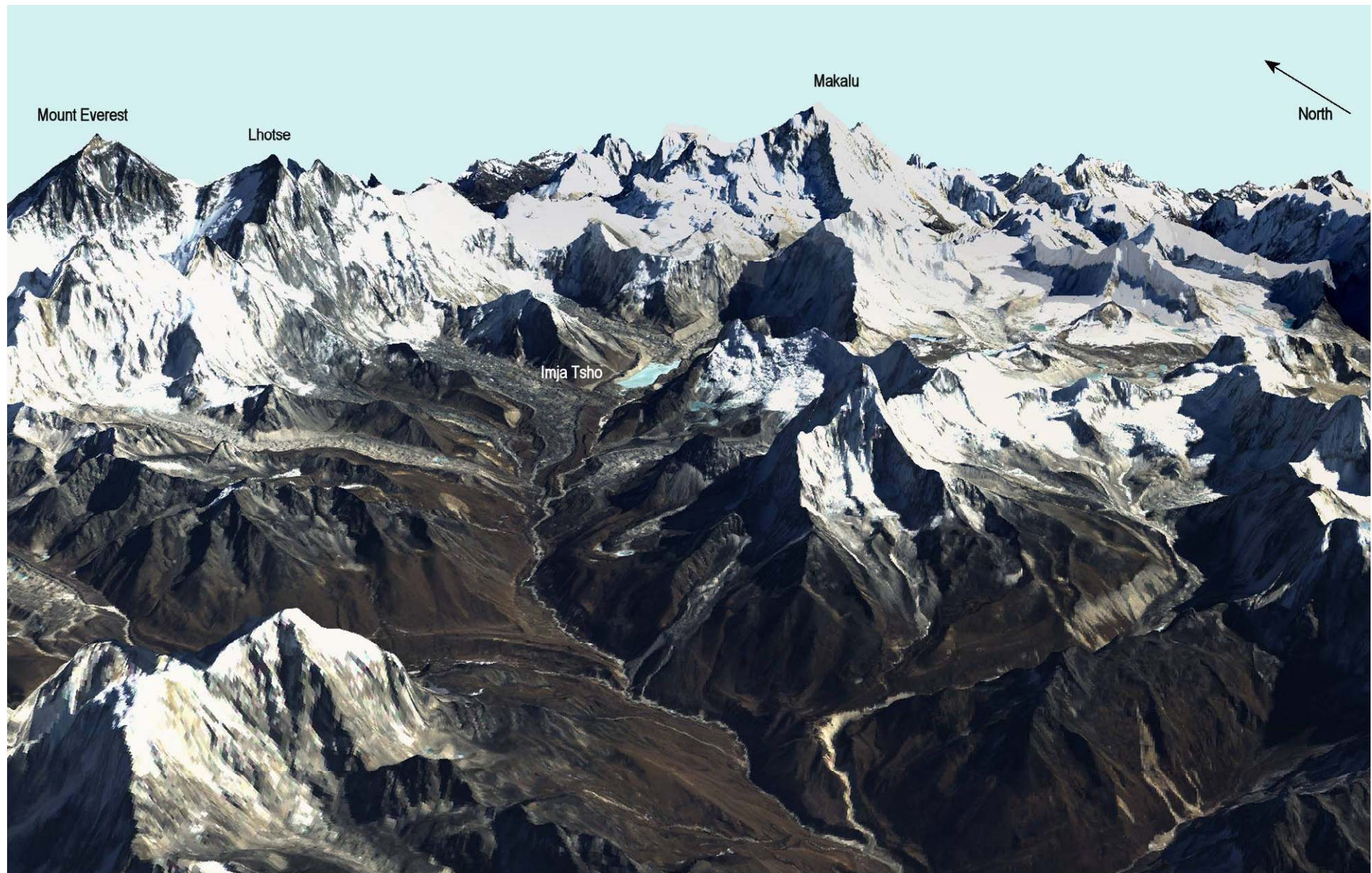


A wide-angle photograph of a high-altitude mountain range. The foreground shows a rocky, brownish slope. The middle ground is a vast, rugged valley with a winding river or stream. In the background, several massive, snow-covered mountain peaks rise against a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall scene is one of natural grandeur and beauty.

## *Henri Poincare*

*"We do not study nature because it is useful;  
we study it because we delight in it, and we  
delight in it because it is beautiful."*

*"If nature were not beautiful, it would not be worth knowing,  
and if were not worth knowing, life would not be worth living"*



Case Study on Imja Glacial Lake in Himalayan Range  
( SRTM + ALOS )







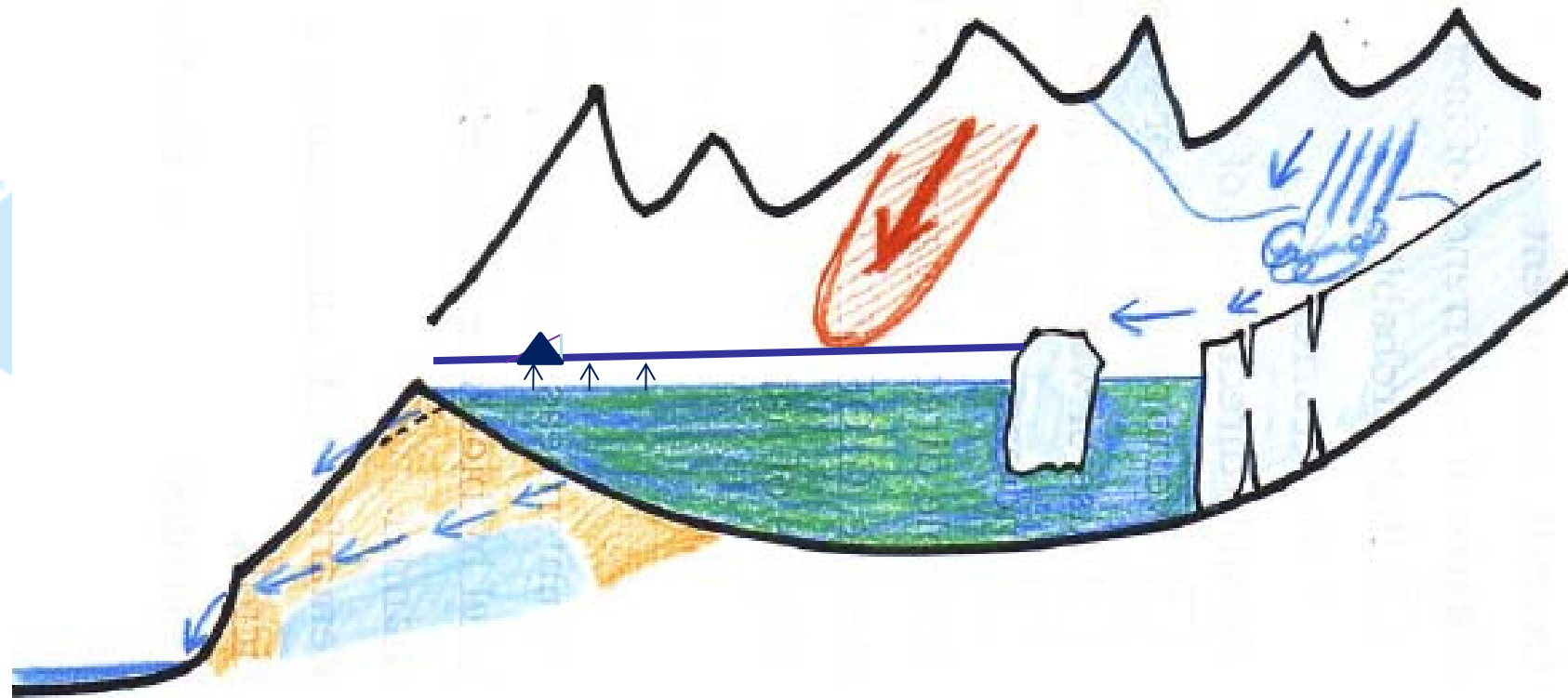
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# Climate Change and Triggers of GLOF



<http://wwwsoc.nii.ac.jp/ajg/ejgeo/210124iwata.pdf>



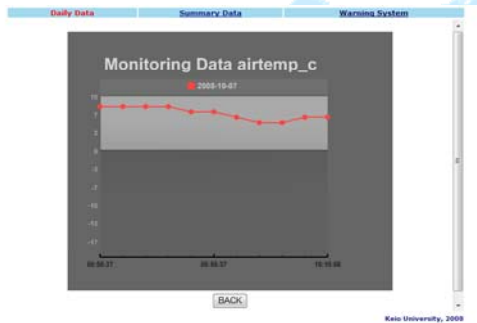
# Networking of field sensor and transmission station in Mt. Everest region for the real time monitoring of Lake Imja Tsho



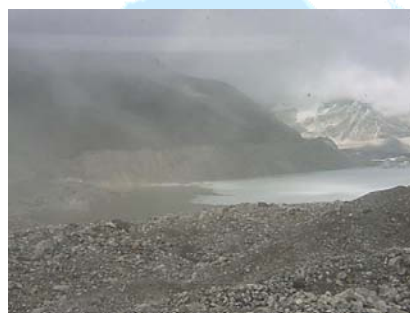




# Real Time Sensing – Image, ...



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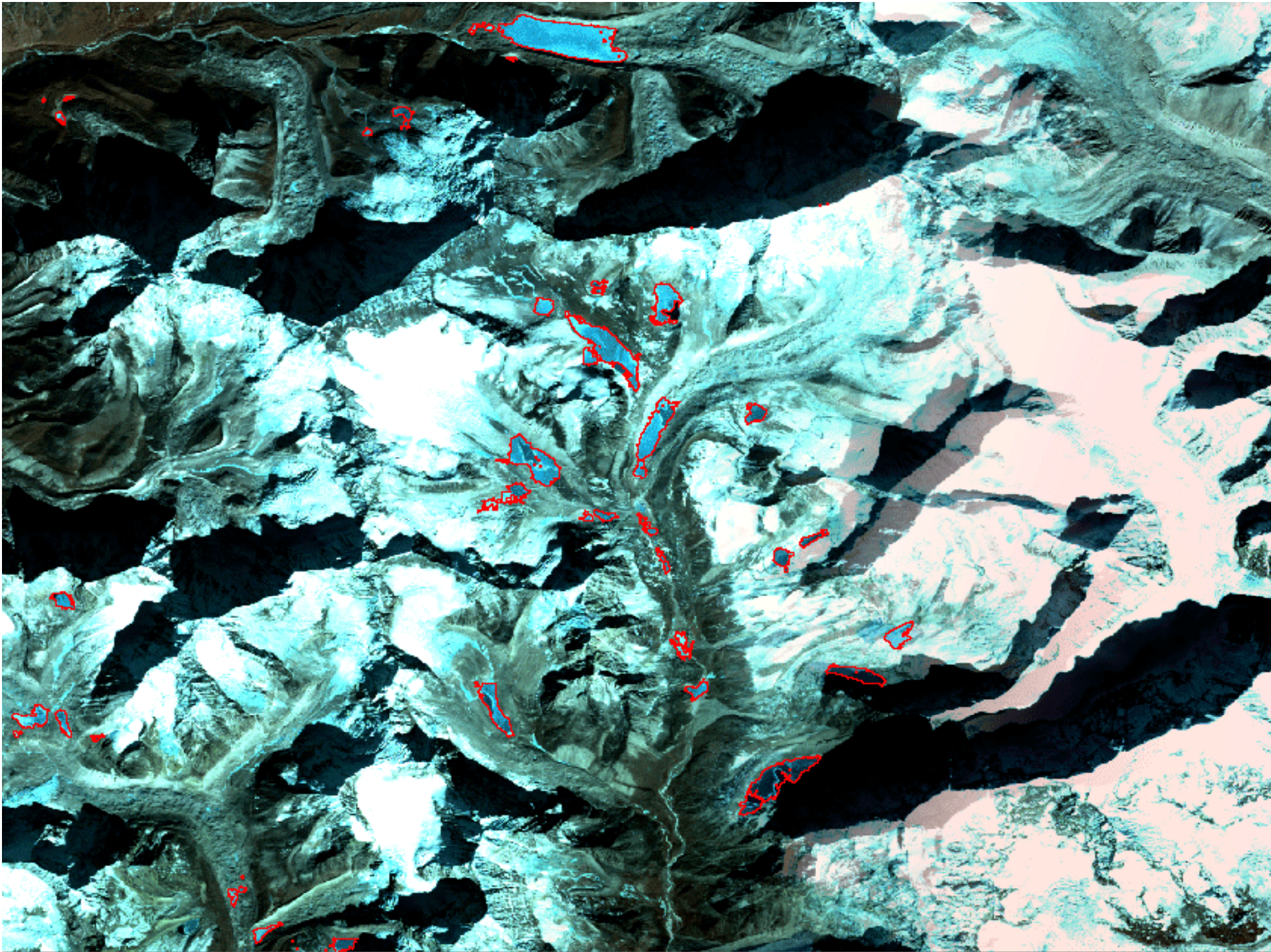
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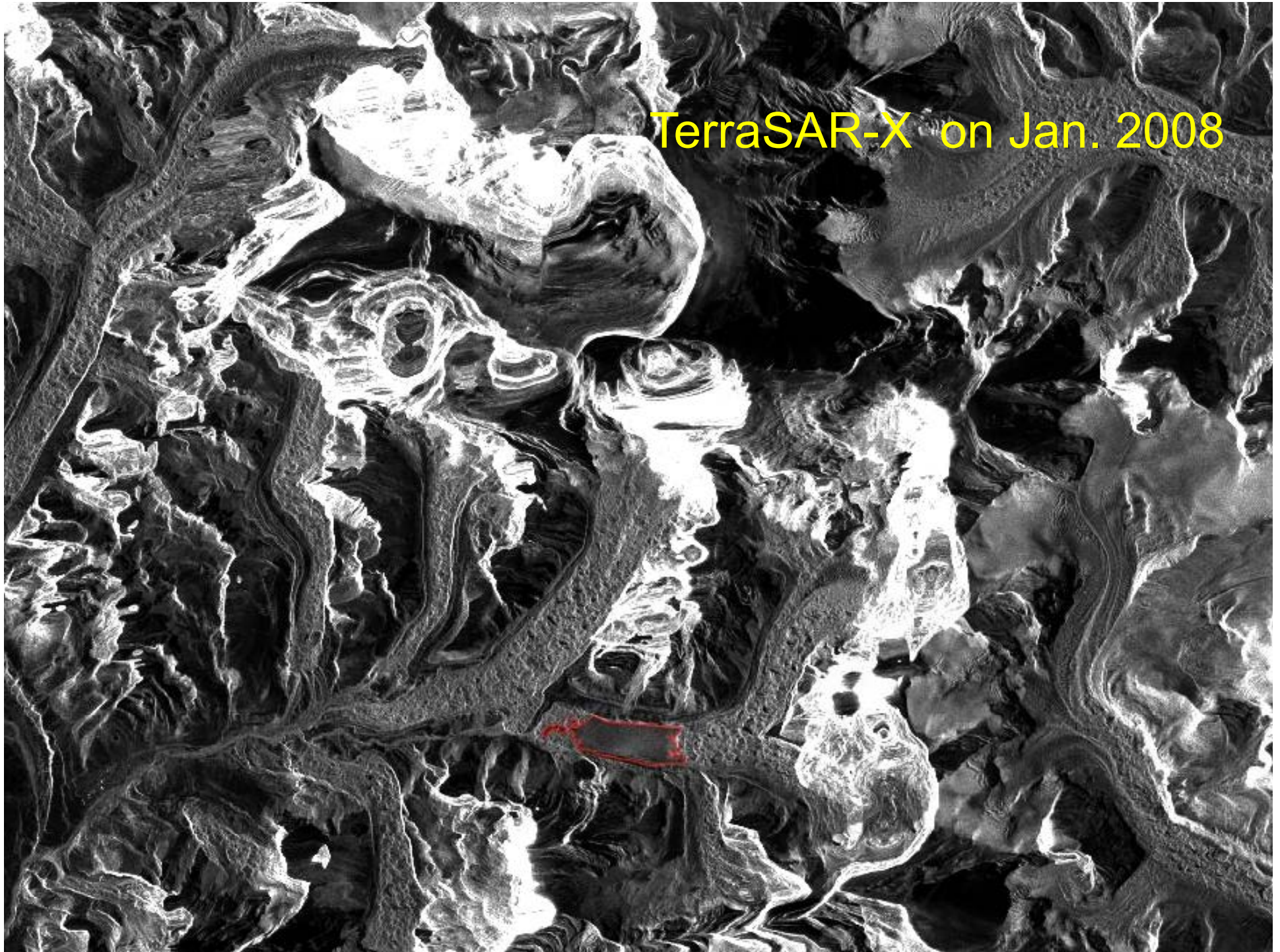
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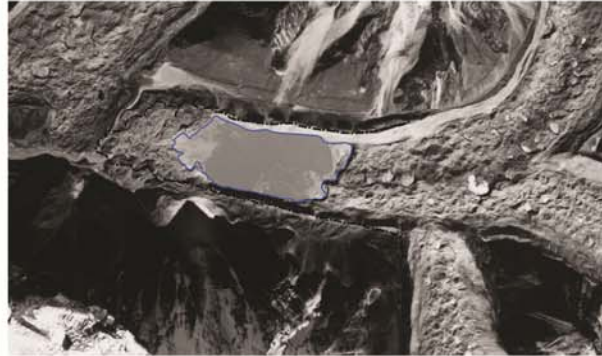


TerraSAR-X on Jan. 2008





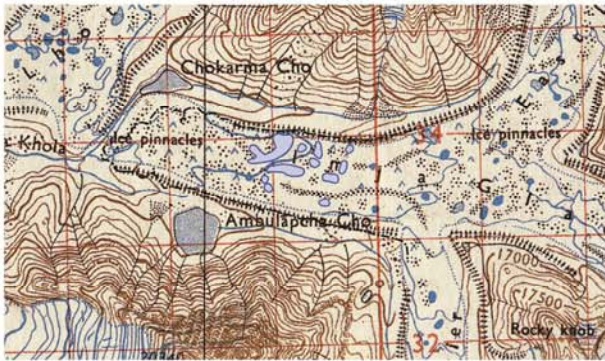
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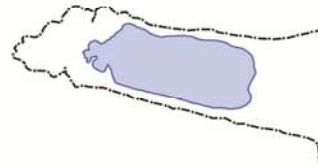
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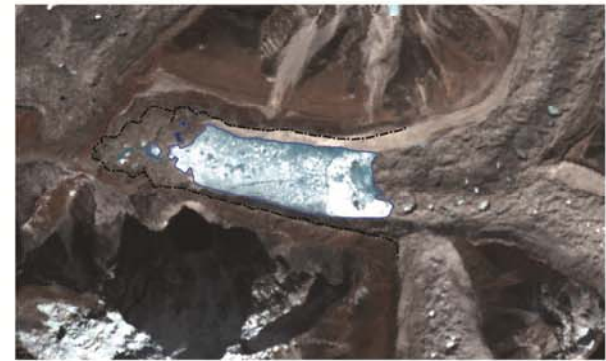
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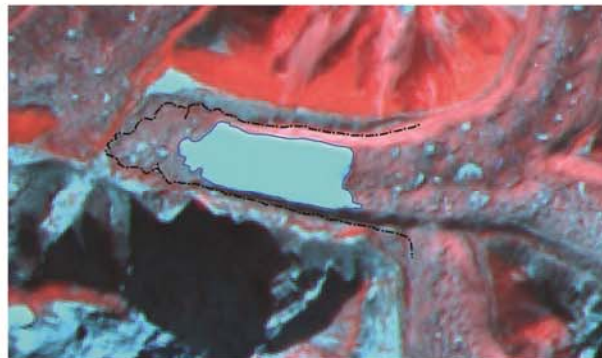
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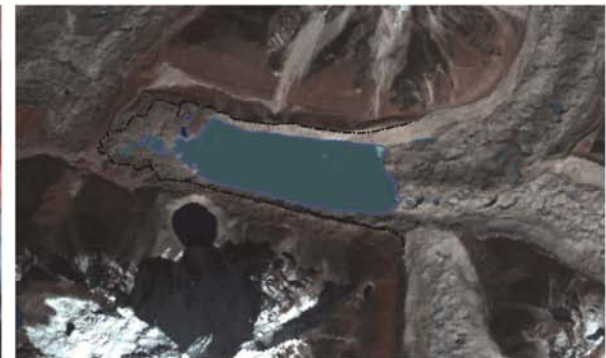
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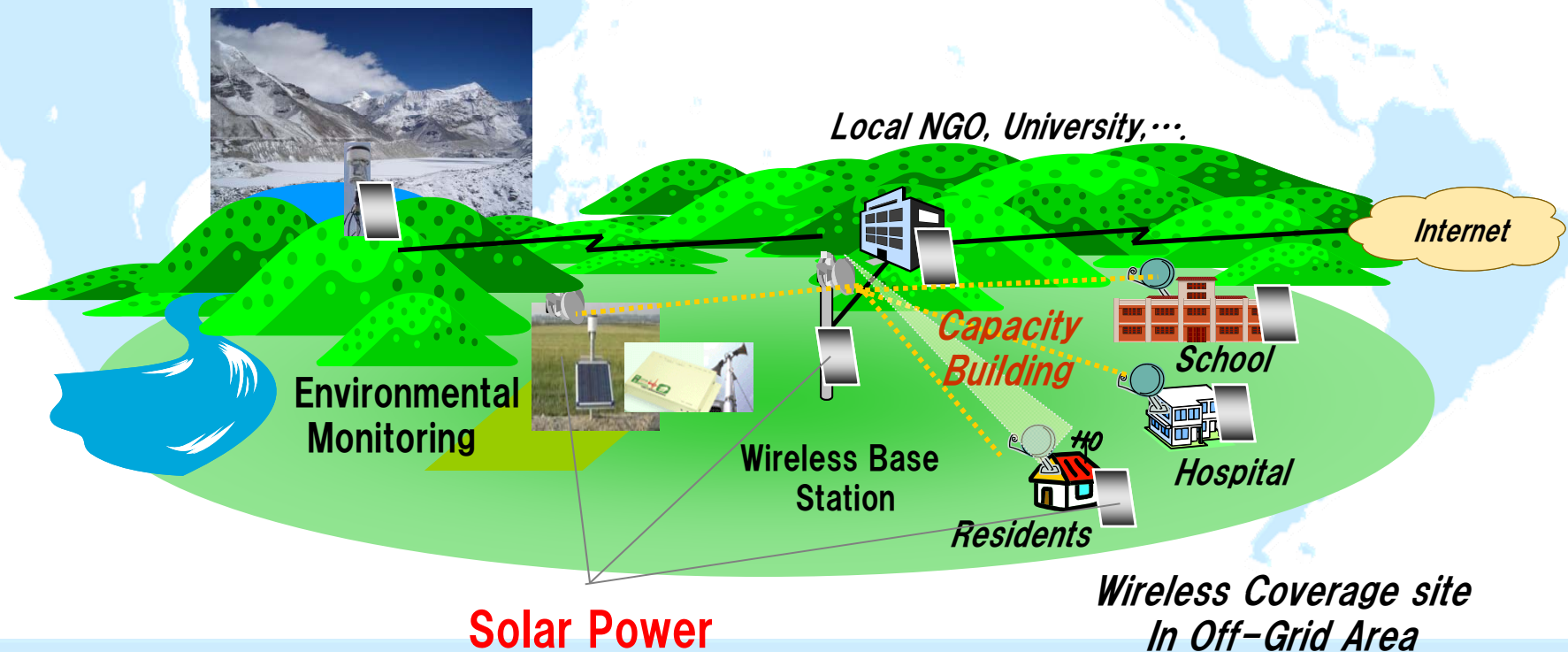
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24 November 2008, AVNIR2 Image

# Solar energy-based systems to serve as Early Warning System by Wireless Sensor Network

- Providing **Internet** as Social Infrastructure: Improve Digital Divide
- Providing **wireless sensor network** for environmental monitoring
- Providing **early warning systems** for Multi-Hazards, such as GLOF



Climate Smart Village



ECO EVEREST  
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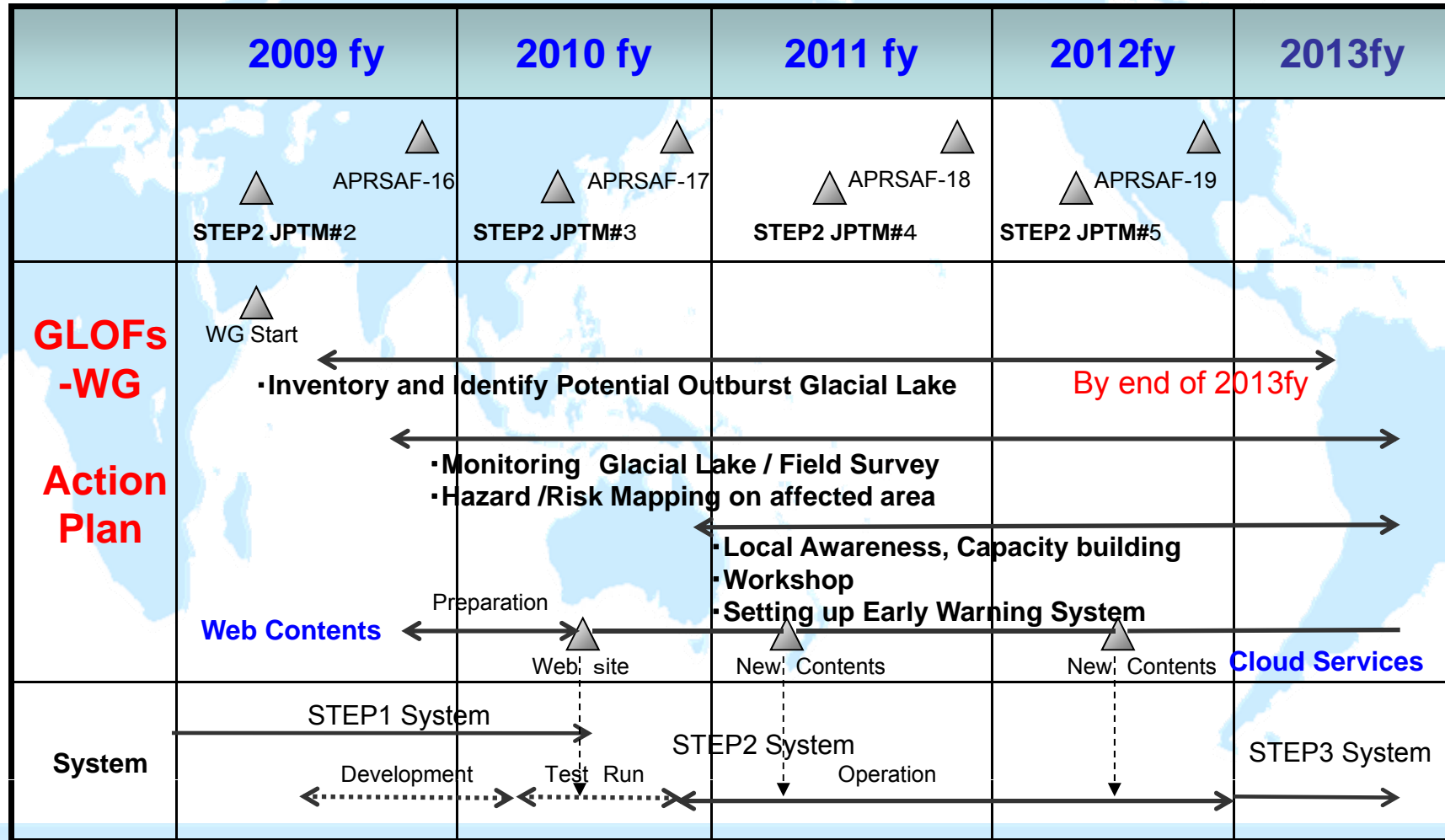
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# Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) Awareness Workshop

25 April 2008  
Namche Bazaar, Solukhumbu



# the Glacial Lake Outburst Flood Working Group Action Plan



# Towards Step3

- Regular mapping and monitoring by Satellite image and Field work
  - Detailed survey physical measurement and UAV at moraine area
- Information Sharing by Cloud GIS
  - Glacial Lake Inventory by the end of 2014fy
  - Hazard and Risk Mapping by the end of 2015fy
- Mitigation and Adaptation: Early Warning System
  - Case study on some lakes by the end of 2015fy
- Regional and Global cooperation
  - South – South cooperation (Andean-Himalayas) by the end of 2016fy

## EWS in the Himalayas for dealing with flash floods and landslides

- **A Multi-hazard Early Warning System** for Climate Risk Management
- Schematic flood / landslide monitoring and prediction system, Sensor Cloud Services
  - Robust, Continuous, Sustainable Sensing and Communication
- Schematic District Emergency Control
- Communities could be entrusted with the EWS, and they would be able to monitor it on a regular basis
  - Public Awareness and Capacity building,...



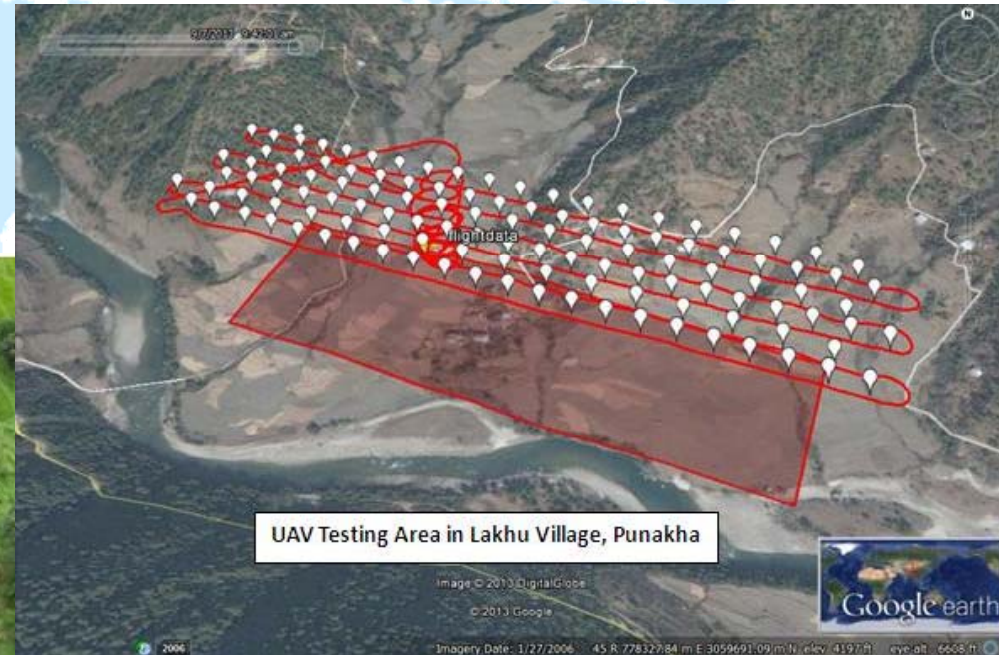
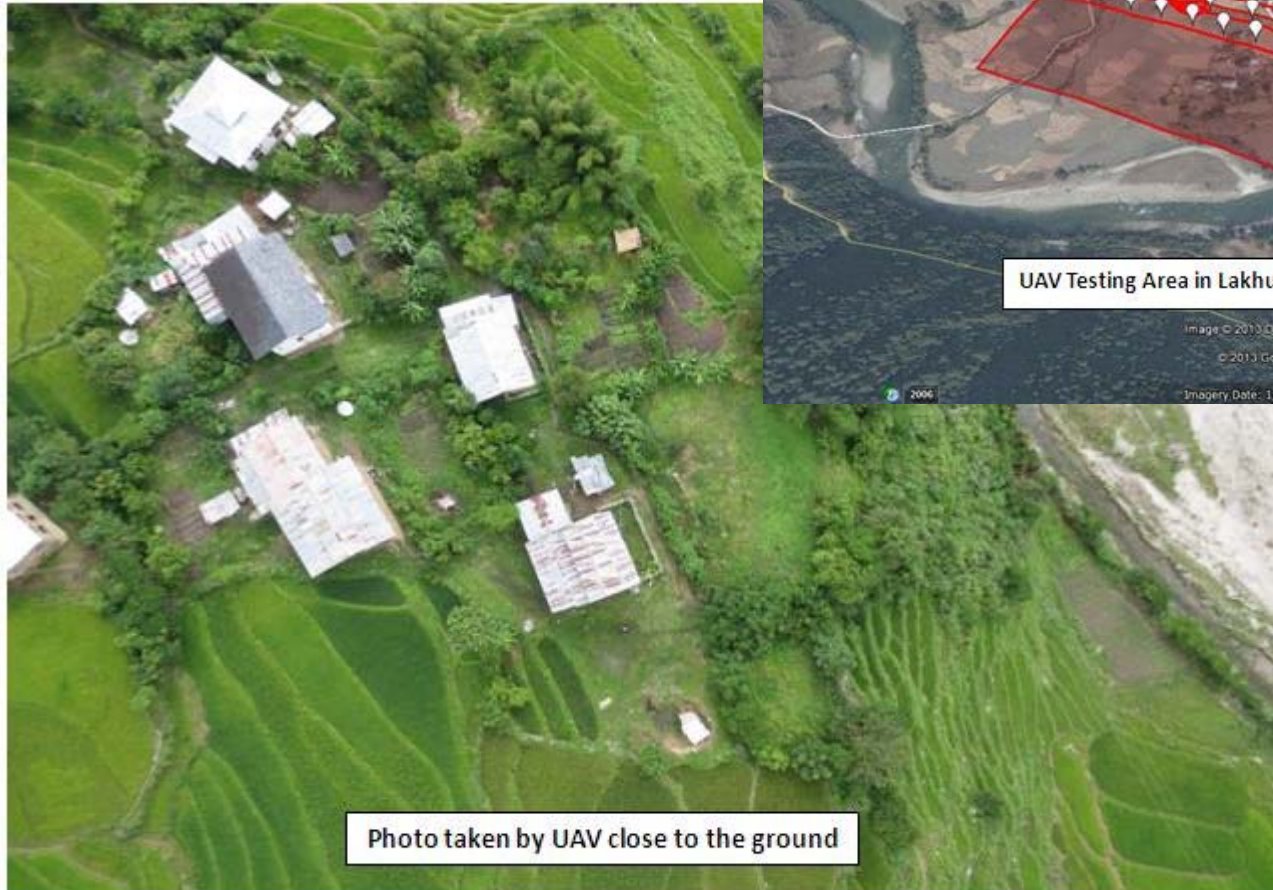
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# Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) and mapping of research site



eBee, Sensefly

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# 3D Point Cloud Image of Lhaku Village in Bhutan





# 2D Ortho-mosaic Image of Kathmandu in Nepal

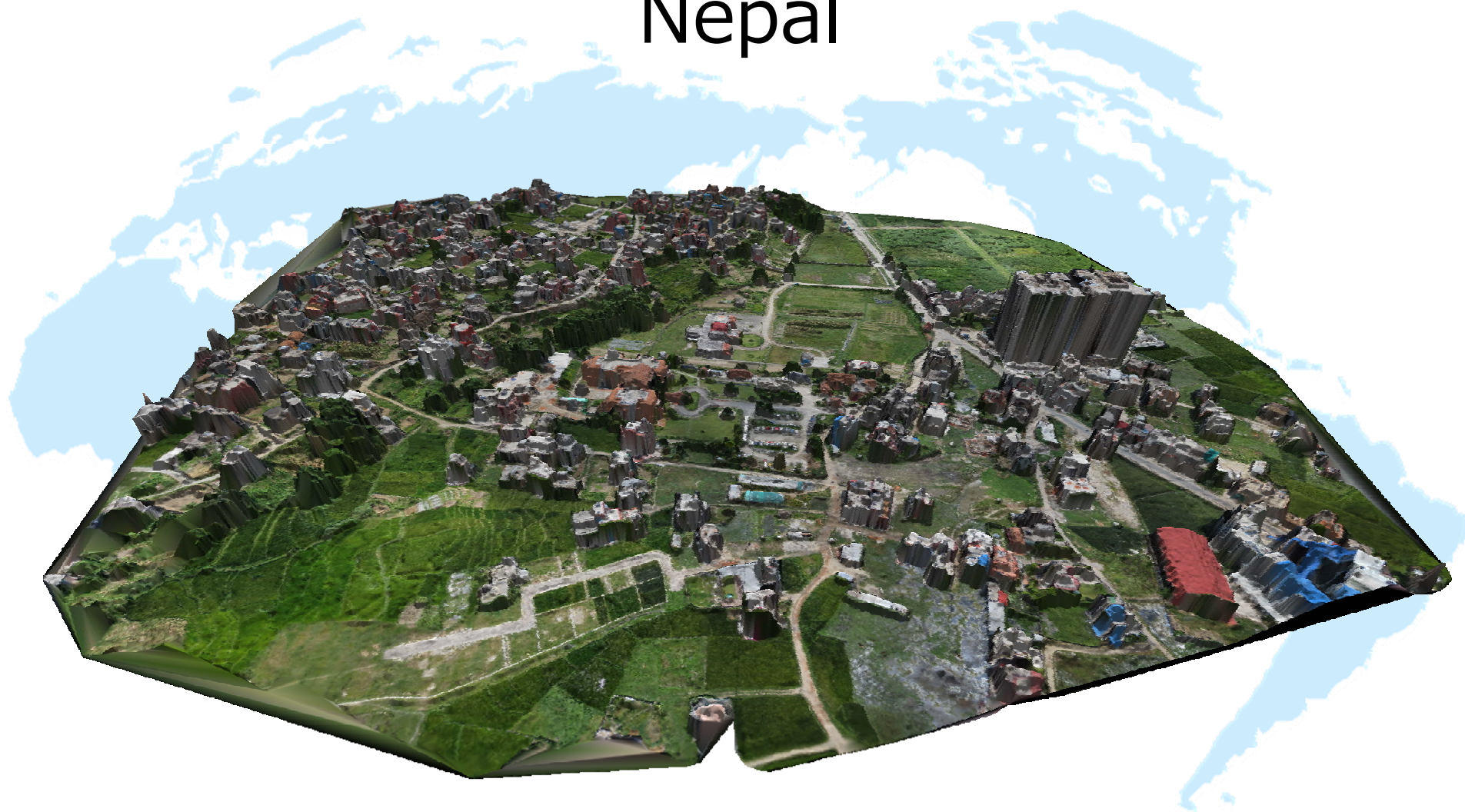


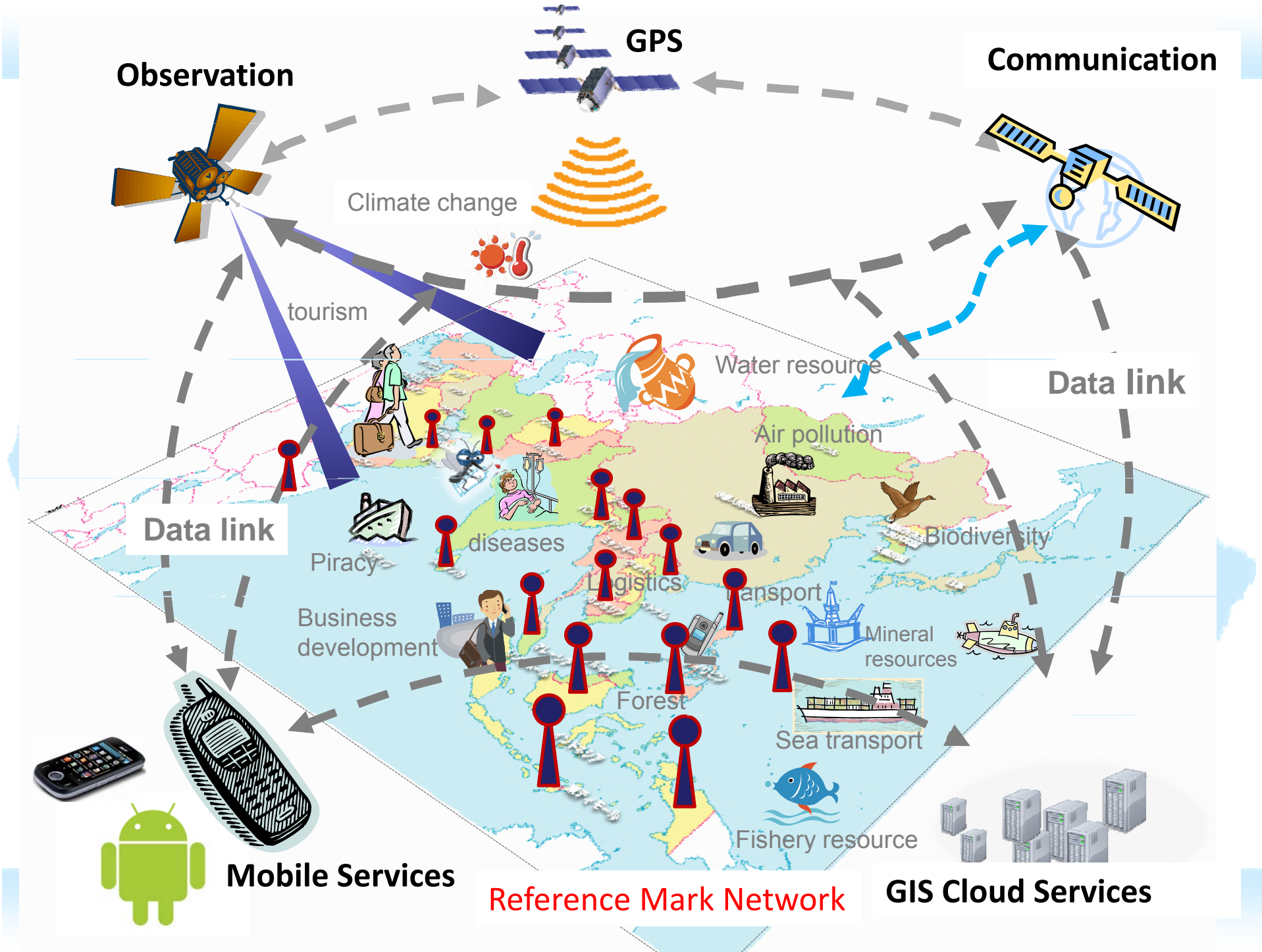
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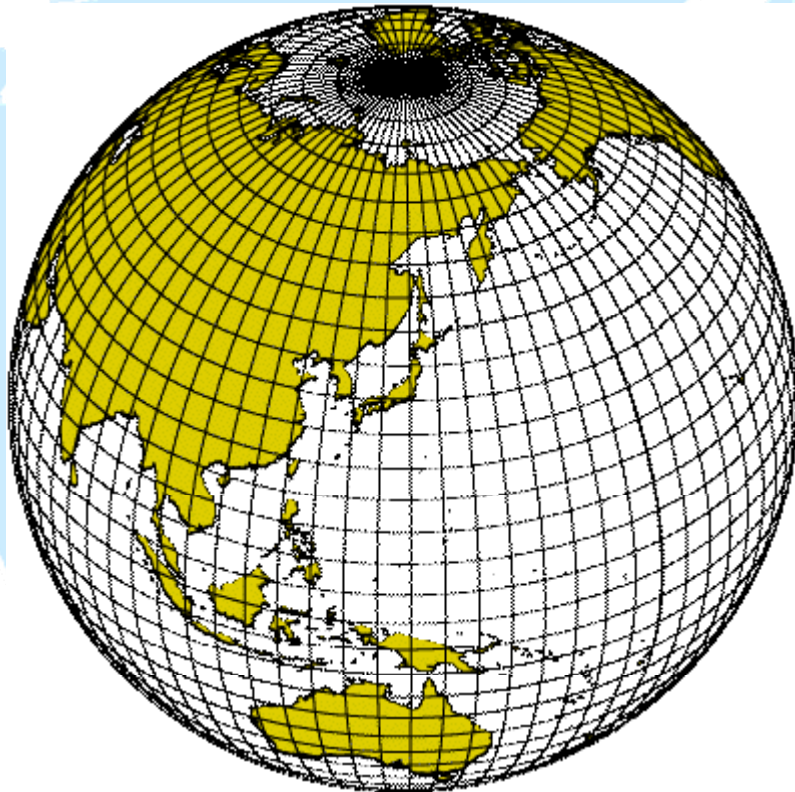


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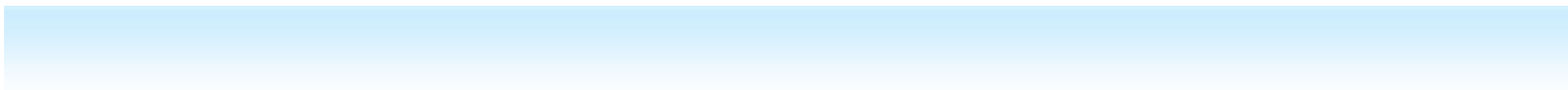


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# 5th Digital Earth Summit

Nagoya/Japan

2014

# Location of Nagoya





# DE for ESD Background

## Aichi-Nagoya and International Events on Sustainability



### Digital Earth Summit

- ESD
- Citizen Science



**2005**

2005 Japan International Exposition  
Theme: *Nature's Wisdom*



**2010**

CBD (Convention on Biological Diversity) COP10

**2014** World Conference on ESD,  
End of the Decade meeting

Hop, Step, Jump!

2005~2014 : UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)

5th Digital Earth Summit 2014

Nagoya/Japan