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Earth observations to support implementation of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction: 2015-2030 *IWMI Experience* 

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## **SENDAI FRAMEWORK: PRIORITIES FOR ACTION**





## **SENDAI FRAMEWORK PRIORITY 1- Understanding risk**

#### **National Level:**

- 15 action points, many relevant to EO
- One directly relevant: promote real-time access to reliable data, make use of space and in situ information, including geographic information systems (GIS)

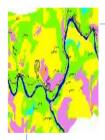
#### **Global and Regional Levels:**

9 action points, many relevant to EO; Specific extracts:

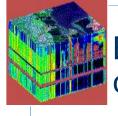
- Maintain and strengthen in situ and remotely-sensed earth and climate observations
- Strengthen the evidence-base in support of the implementation of SFDRR;
- Promote scientific research of disaster risk patterns, causes and effects;
- Disseminate risk information with the best use of geospatial information technology



## EARTH OBSERVATIONS FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT



Spatially extensive mapping



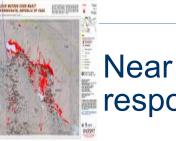
Beyond 'human eye' capability



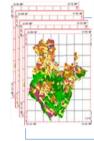
Localised event detection



Access to difficult or dangerous sites



Near real time response



Geo-referenced and calibrated



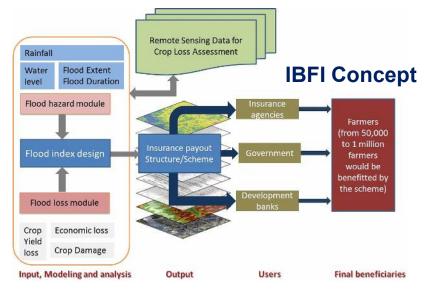
# **EXAMPLES FROM RECENT / CURRENT IWMI RESEARCH**



# INDEX-BASED FLOOD INSURANCE IN INDIA (IBFI) TO







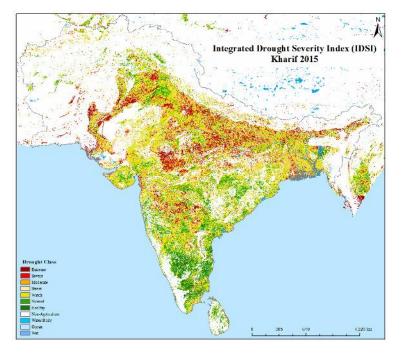


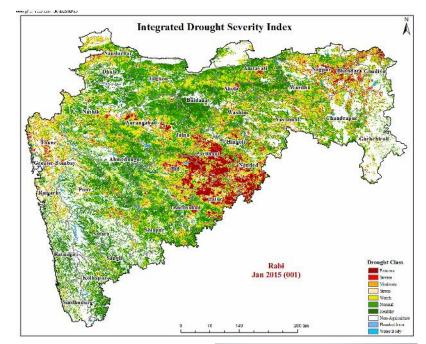
- Project period: 2015-2018; http://ibfi.iwmi.org/
- Pilot districts in Bihar. Pilot-scale trials to demonstrate that positive verifiable impacts emerge from IBFI
- Partners: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Gandhinagar, Indian Institute of Water Management (IIWM-ICAR); Agriculture Insurance Corporation, MoA; Bajaj Allianz, Swiss Re
- Developing tools and strategies that support IBFI upscaling, integrated with existing and future flood control measures



## SOUTH ASIA DROUGHT MONITORING SYSTEM







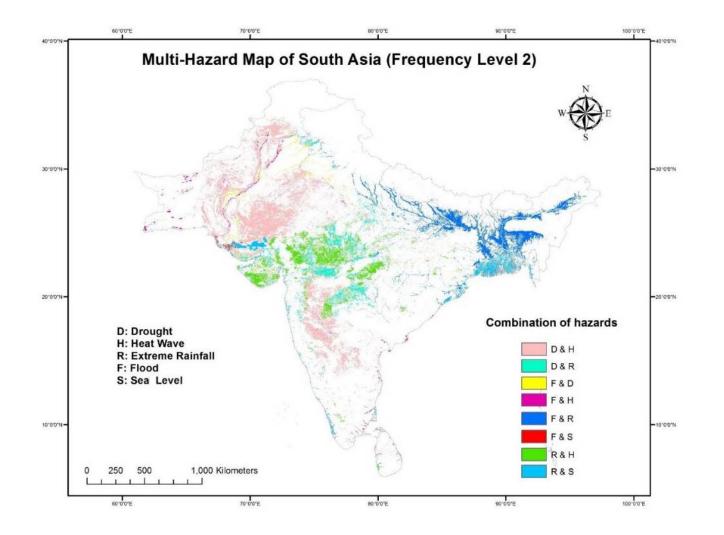
- First of its kind for entire South Asia with multisource remote sensing observations;
- Historical drought risk mapping and assessment covering SA countries (2000 Current);
- Real-time monitoring of drought extremity and spatial extent;
- Influencing national policies and measures to deal with droughts, and promoting regional cooperation in drought management





2015, Jalna, Maharashtra

## **MULTIPLE RISKS ASSESSMENT - REGIONAL**

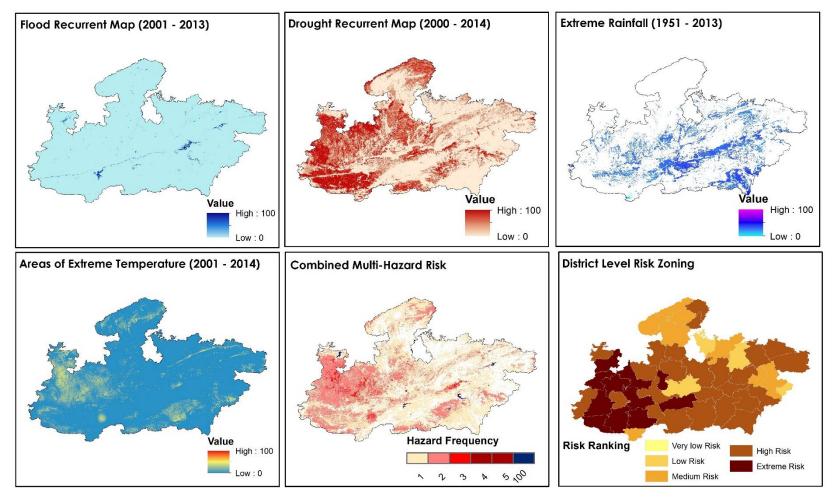






# **MULTIPLE RISKS ASSESSMENT – LOCAL**

Madhya Pradesh



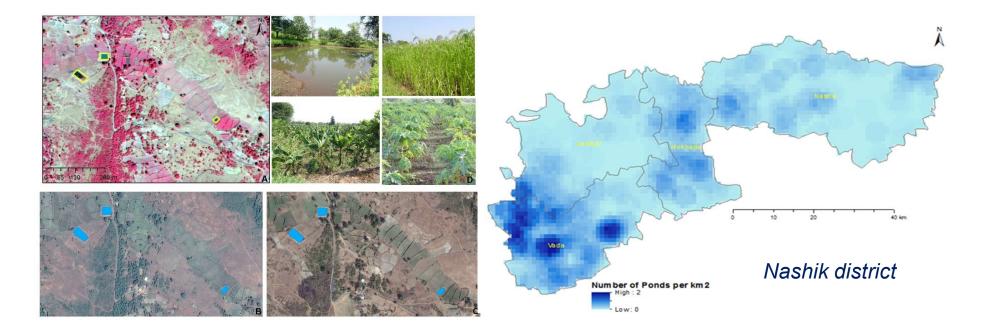
High to Extreme Risk Districts:

East and West Nimar, Dhar, Barwani, Ratlam, Mandsaur, Shajapur, Bhopal, Hoshangabad





### FARM POND MAPPING USING SATELLITE DATA - MAHARASHTRA



- Important part of farmers' adaptation to climate and water variability
- Total of 1100 ponds were mapped for 4 taluks in Nashik district. With and without polythene cover- identified
- Crop yield increases for various crops due to introduction of ponds assessed (6-50%)





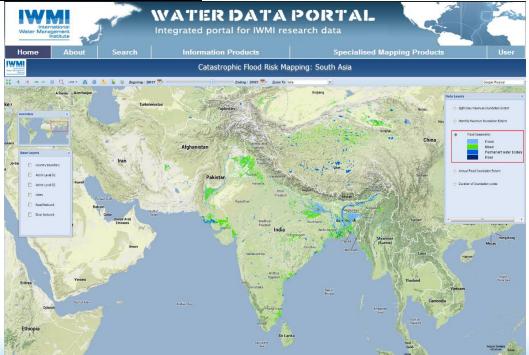
## **REGIONAL FLOOD RISK MAPPING - SA and SEA**







- Maping algorithm based on MODIS data
- 8-days maps of inundation
  extent
- Annual maps of maximum inundation
- Inter-annual variation of regional flooding extent





# SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE FUTURE

Can EO promote conventional observed data sharing?

Can EO replace inefficient and untimely ground observations in the context of DRR in the nearest 15 years – the Sendai Framework "design life" ?

Can EO help make seven (or some) SFDRR targets more specific?



