Sentinel Asia Water related Disaster Working Group

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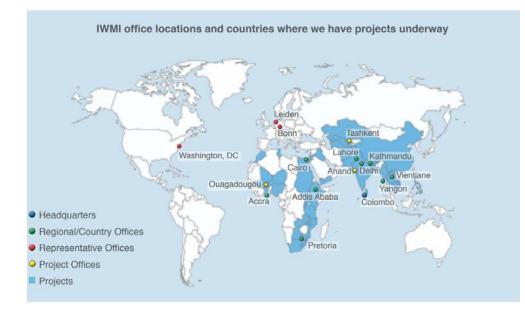
International Water Management Institute (IWMI), Sri Lanka

5th Joint Project Team Meeting for Sentinel Asia STEP3 (JPTM2018) at Howard Civil Service International House, Taipei, Taiwan



Overview of IWMI

- Non-profit, scientific research organization focusing on the sustainable use of water and land resources in developing countries
- IWMI is a member of CGIAR, and involved in some of the programs



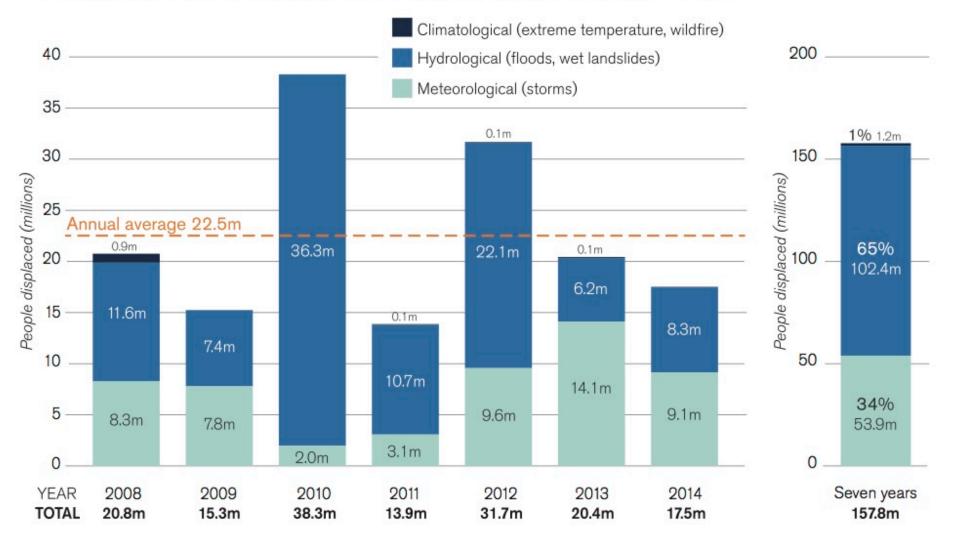
STAFF

- Around 300 employees in 10 countries
- 75% of researchers in the field,
- 65% from developing countries



Content

- Global events on natural disasters
- Statistics on weather related insured losses
- IWMI's interventions and contribution to SA Waterrelated hazards WG
- Strengthening SA Water related hazard WG to promote Step3 Strategy



Global displacement by weather-related disasters, 2008 - 2014

Source: IDMC estimates as of 1 June 2015

Natural Disasters and Risk Transfers

According to figures released on January 4th 2018 by Munich Re, insured catastrophe losses reached an all-time high of \$135bn in 2017. Total losses (including uninsured ones) reached \$330bn, second only to losses of \$354bn in 2011.

"the proportion of all losses covered by insurance "is still too small". **Much risk is retained by governments, or uninsured.** Offloading more to private markets would benefit governments, property owners and the insurance industry alike"

Calamity pain Worldwide catastrophe losses 2016 prices, \$bn 400 Insured 300 200 100 1980 85 90 95 2000 10 17 05 Source: Munich Re

Economist.com

IWMI's framework on Water Risks and Disasters





From managing disaster to managing risk

- **Outcome:** Substantial reduction of disaster risk and losses in lives, livelihoods and health and in the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of persons, businesses, communities and countries ...
- **Goal**: Prevent creation of new risk, Reduce exisitng risk and Strengthen resilience through innovative risk management solutions

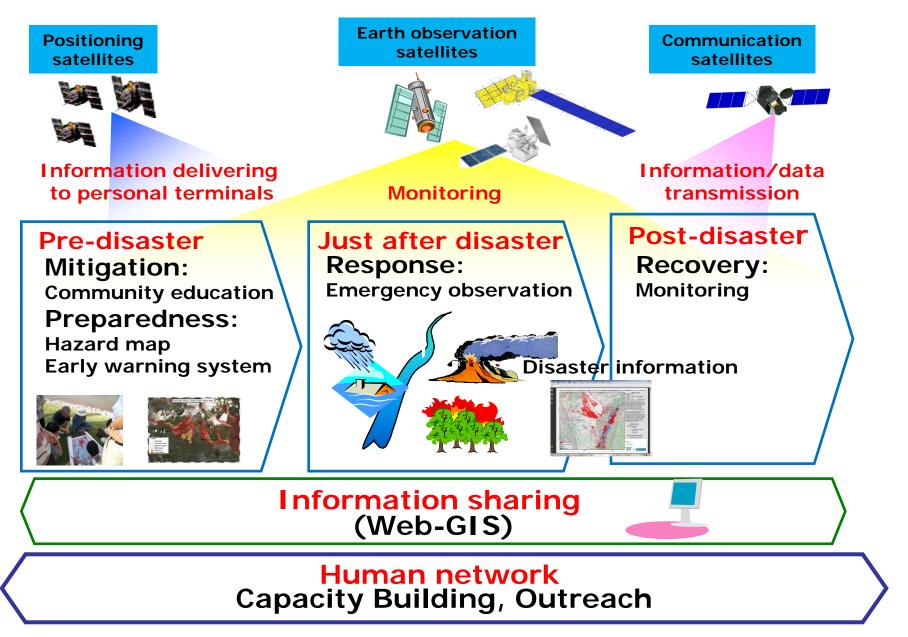
• Scope:

- Promotion of space-based information in all phases of disaster risk management;
- Develop innovative risk solutions to build resilience and sustainable development
- Promote short and long-term capacity building including technology transfers and case studies to demonstrate DRR and DRM in the region

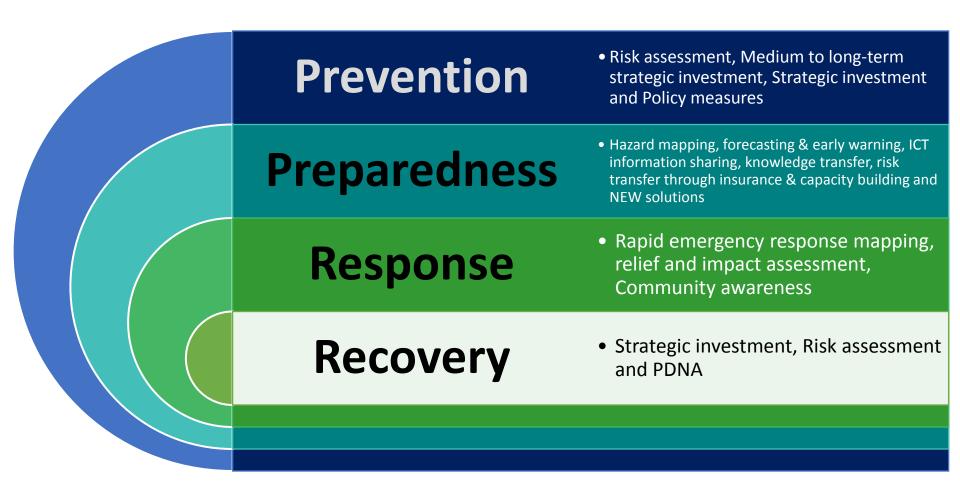
Reference: ISDR



Concept of Sentinel Asia Step 3

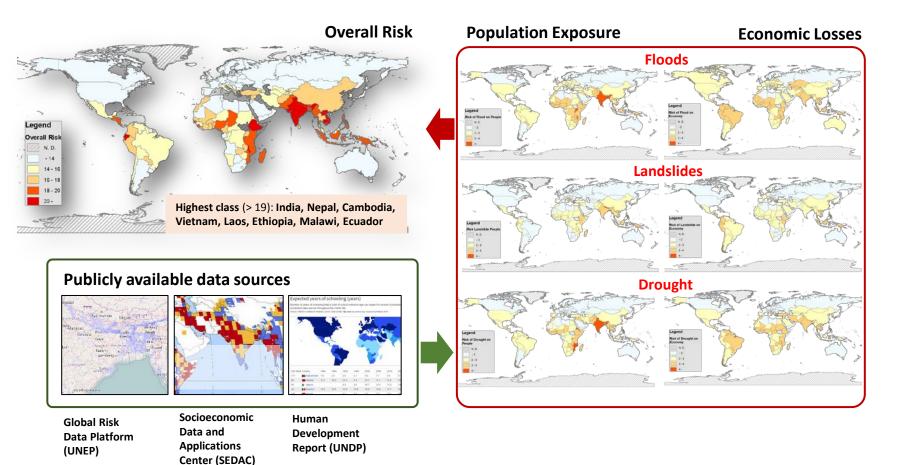


IWMI'S REGIONAL APPROACH TO COMPREHENSIVE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS TO ENHANCE AGRICULTURE RESILIENCE AND REDUCING RISKS





MAPPING GLOBAL WATER-RELATED DISASTER RISK



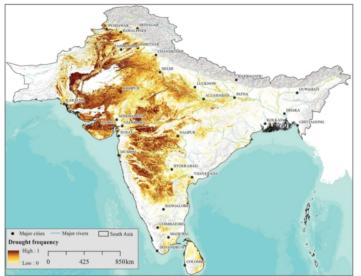
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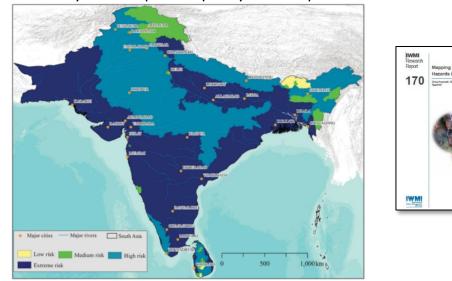
MULTIPLE HAZARD AND RISK ASSESSMENT IN SOUTH ASIA

Combined risk index (hazards - floods, drought, extreme rainfall, heat waves, sea level rise, vulnerability and exposure) to identify RISK areas to district and sub-national level for climate adaptation strategy and risk investment in SA

Spatial distribution of drought frequency based on 13 years' time series of MODIS imagery



Climate change vulnerability map of SA based on exposure, sensitivity and adaptive capacity to multiple hazards

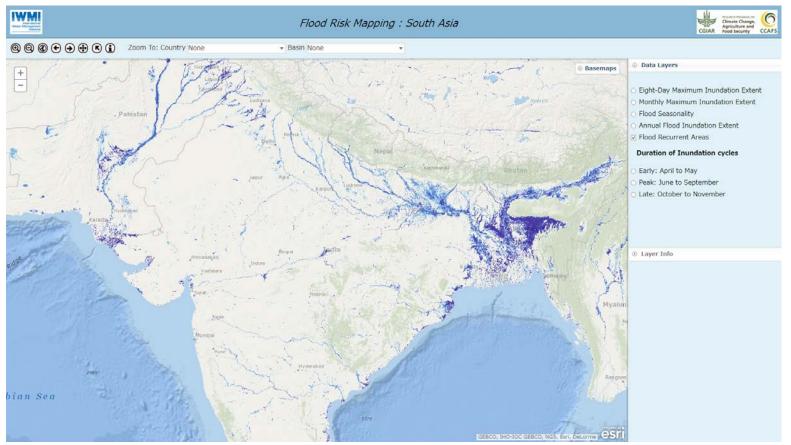


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FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT IN SA USING RS DATA

- Flood inundation recurrent mapping using MODIS data
- Allows decision makers to propose new strategies based on information of return period, estimation of loss in economy and agricultural production.



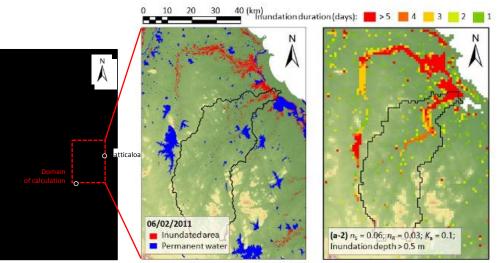
http://waterdata.iwmi.org/Applications/Catastrophic_Flood_Risk_Mapping/



FLOOD INUNDATION EXTENT MODELLING FOR SIMULATION

Simulated extents of flood inundation by the models:

- Able to complement discrete-time results of satellite images (and also in cloudy periods);
- Applicable to hazard prediction & vulnerability evaluation;
- Able to assist NRT simulation for early alert framework, even in poorly gauged basins.



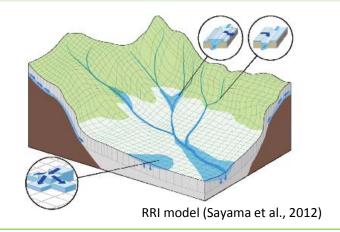
(source: Amarnath et al., 2015) Satellite Observation

Simulated with the RRI model

The RRI model: Numerical model for simulation of two-dimensional flood inundation distribution which was developed by ICHARM

Merit of the RRI model

- 1) Combination of slope flow and channel discharge: this helps to apply to areas which have hills and flood plains.
- 2) Free of charge; this could help decision making in developing countries.



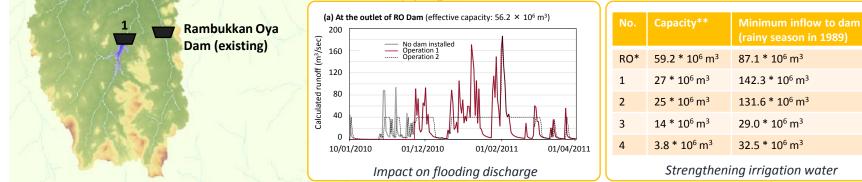


COUNTERMEASURES TO REDUCE FLOOD AND STORE WATER

Integrated flood risk management that reduces flood risk while increasing its positive impact is needed

- Socio-economic aspects
 - Building multi-objective reservoir that reduces flood impact during wet season and used stored water for irrigation purpose during dry season
 - Proper Dam operation and application of basin scale forecasting system
 - Ecosystem Management aspect
 - Re-establishing wetlands in the downstream of the basin area
 - Re-forestation in the upstream areas

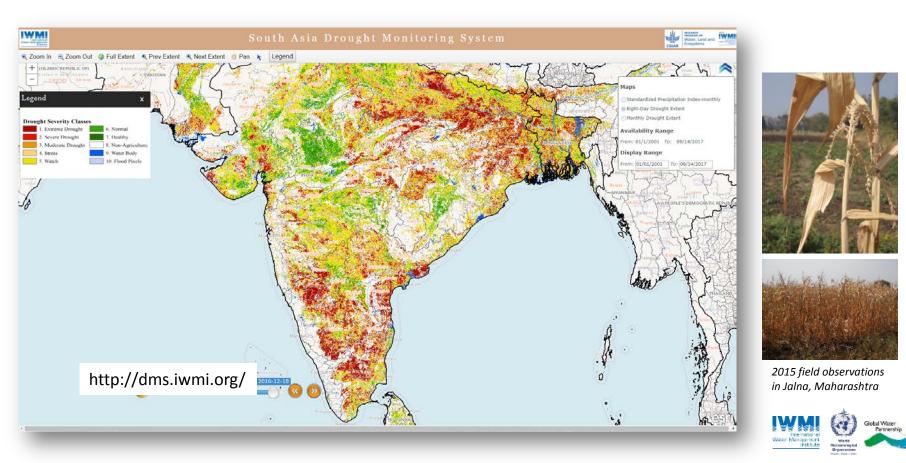
Able to be evaluated with using the flood inundation model



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SOUTH ASIA DROUGHT MONITOR SYSTEM (SADMS)



SADMS provides customized tools and models that use satellite technology to accurately and scientifically monitor and plan for droughts. SADMS supports planners in SA countries.



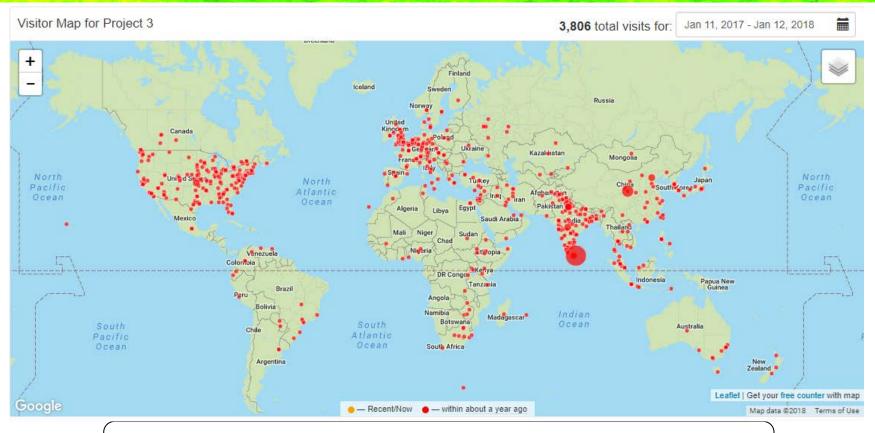
www.iwmi.org

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Water, Land and Ecosystems

Visitors to DMS Portal



- More than 3,800 visit to DMS and spread over 85 countries since Jan 2017
- Approx. 300 visit per month and dominant being India, Sri Lanka, USA, Canada, UK

CAPACITY BUILDING TO GOVERNMENTAL OFFICERS

- Since 2011 more than 130 institutes has been trained on floods and drought monitoring and management and Space technology for disaster risk reduction
- More than 25 countries in Asia and Africa participated in training and workshop activities •
- Outreach and communication activities through media and social networks for information and knowledge ٠ sharing on DRR activities

Local newspaper



వర్సపాతం నుంచే వరద ముంపు అంచనా



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Training Manual

Capacity building workshop on **Development of Flood Inundation Model** for Risk Assessment and Early Warning in Godavari Basin



13-15 March 2017 Bapatla, Andhra Pradesh, India



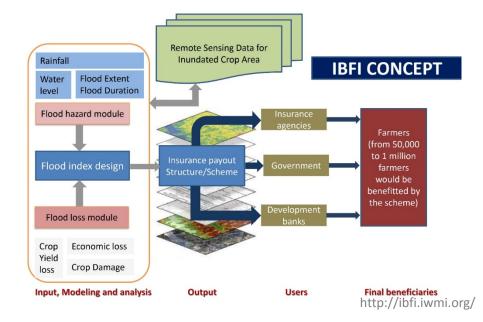






INDEX-BASED FLOOD INSURANCE (IBFI)

IBFI is an innovative approach to developing effective payout schemes for low-income, flood-prone communities. It enables speedy compensation payouts to farmers, based on flood modeling and satellite image analysis techniques.









Partners: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Gandhinagar, Indian Institute of Water Management (IIWM-ICAR)*; Agriculture Insurance Corporation of India, MoA; Bajaj Allianz, Insurer, Swiss Reinsurance



Water Related Risks & Community Based Resilience



From one pond, over 60,000 m3 of floodwater stored underground in 2017. Thousands of such ponds are underutilized across the region

- Underground Taming of Flood for Irrigation (UTFI) has demonstrated that community-owned assets can be converted into recharge structures that are effective in achieving both flood mitigation and enhanced groundwater availability during drought event
- Resilient community
- Community participation for site maintenance





Proposal to strengthen SA Step3 implementation of Water-related Hazard Working Group

In particular, this support will focus on:

- 1. Sharing Space-based Information: **Procedural Guidelines for Disaster Emergency Response** in Asia Pacific countries; (during disaster)
- 2. Promote **standard approach and tools** in multi-hazard risk assessment using spacebased information; (before disaster)
- **3. Monitoring and assessment** of major natural disasters using space technology for disaster risk investment; (during/after disaster)
- 4. Up-scaling and accelerating **implementation of multi-hazard early warning systems** and services; (before disaster)
- 5. Facilitating the consolidation of **case studies and lessons learned** from SA Water Hazard WG the exchange of experiences among regions, countries, cities and local communities and the analysis of emerging related issues (capacity development);



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- 6. Building on the **paradigm shift** underway in national or local agencies such as National Meteorological and Hydrological Services:
 - to advance from their current status as providers of forecasts and early warnings to being providers of impact-based forecasts and risk-informed warnings;
 - to play a major role in **all aspects of disaster risk management** to better support disaster management agencies and local communities; and
 - to provide **better risk-based decision-support services**;
- 7. Strengthening partnerships of (national) technical agencies (providing data on hydro-meteorological, geophysical and other hazards) with relevant disaster management organizations.
- 8. Measuring progress in the number of people, including vulnerable people, with access to early warning, relief and emergency plans and risk information;
- 9. Finally **cooperation from end-users** in SA Water related Hazard Group is very important for the successful implementation of SA Step3 activities.



Water Risks and Disaster Research Group Strategy integrates SDGs and Disaster Risk Reduction



DRM Innovation: What's different?

- Risk-informed development
- Shift from disaster loss to disaster risk
- Coherence in policies and programmes across SDG and climate to ensure the DRR
- Shift from disaster management to disaster risk management
- Shift from "What to do?" to "how to do?"
- Primary responsibility of states for DRR, shared responsibility for DRR with stakeholders



Thank You

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