



15th AOGEO Symposium

“Enhancing resilience for water-related disaster risks: Seeking opportunities for further collaboration”



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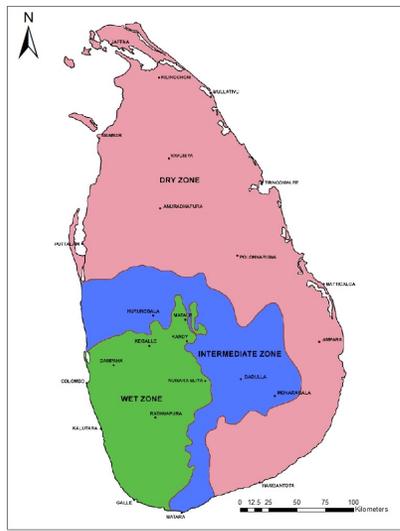
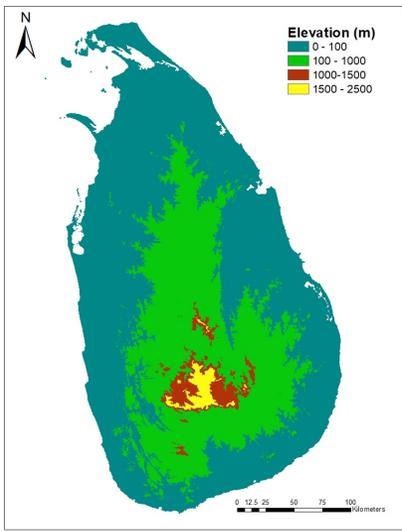
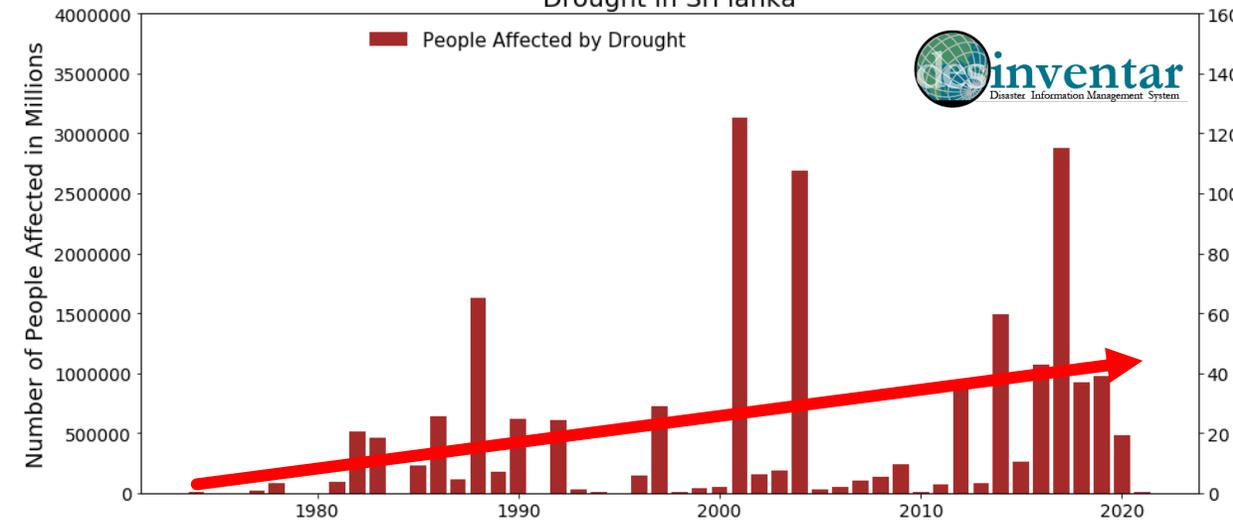
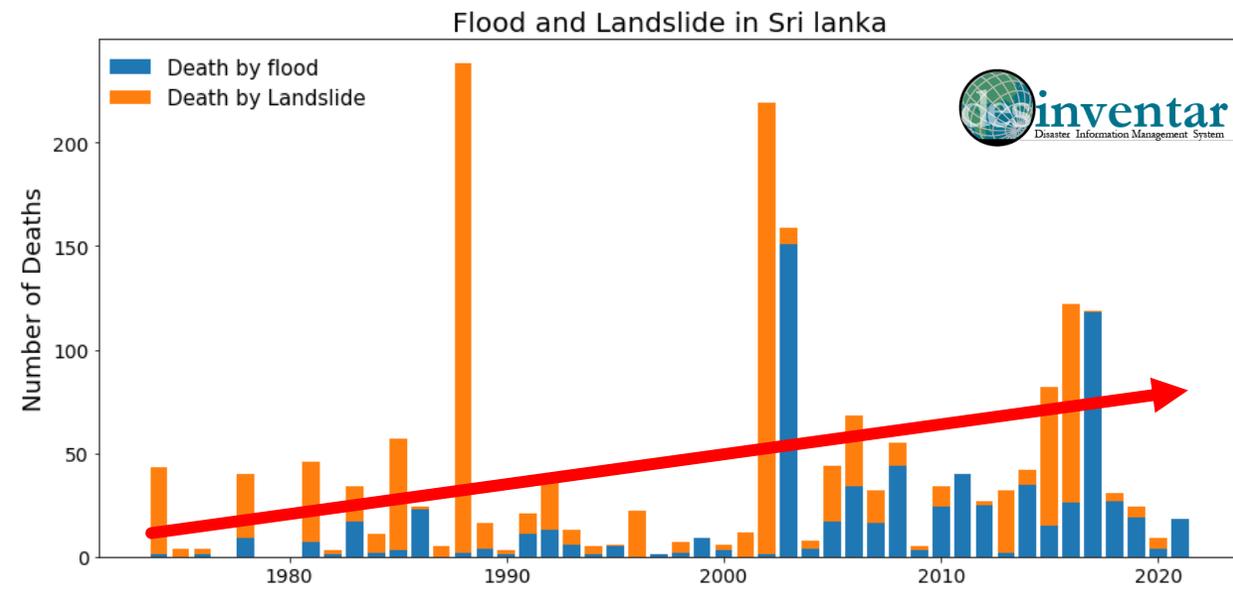
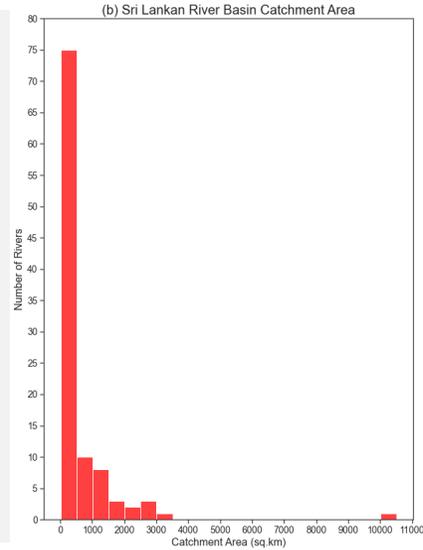
Sri Lanka



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Sri Lanka

- Country in South Asia
- Population : 22 million
- Topography : 0 to 2525 m
- 103 river basins
- 4 climatic seasons
- 3 climatic zones
- 2 main agricultural seasons



Climatic Seasons	Intermediate-2 (IM-2) (400 ~ 1200 mm)		North East Monsoon (NE) (500 ~ 1200 mm)		Intermediate-1 (IM-1) (100 ~ 250 mm)		South West Monsoon (SW) (1000 ~ 4000 mm)					
Months	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Agriculture Seasons	Off 2		Maha Season			Off 1		Yala Season				Off 2

GLOBAL CLIMATE RISK INDEX 2019

Ranking 2017 (2016)	Country	CRI score	Death toll	Deaths per 100 000 inhabitants	Absolute losses (in million US\$ PPP)	Losses per unit GDP in %	Human Development Index 2017 ¹⁰
1 (105)	Puerto Rico ¹¹	1.50	2 978	90.242	82 315.240	63.328	-
2 (4)	Sri Lanka	9.00	246	1.147	3 129.351	1.135	76
3 (120)	Dominica	9.33	31	43.662	1 686.894	215.440	103
4 (14)	Nepal	10.50	164	0.559	1 909.982	2.412	149

10 ECONOMIES WORST AFFECTED BY NATURE LOSS BY 2050*

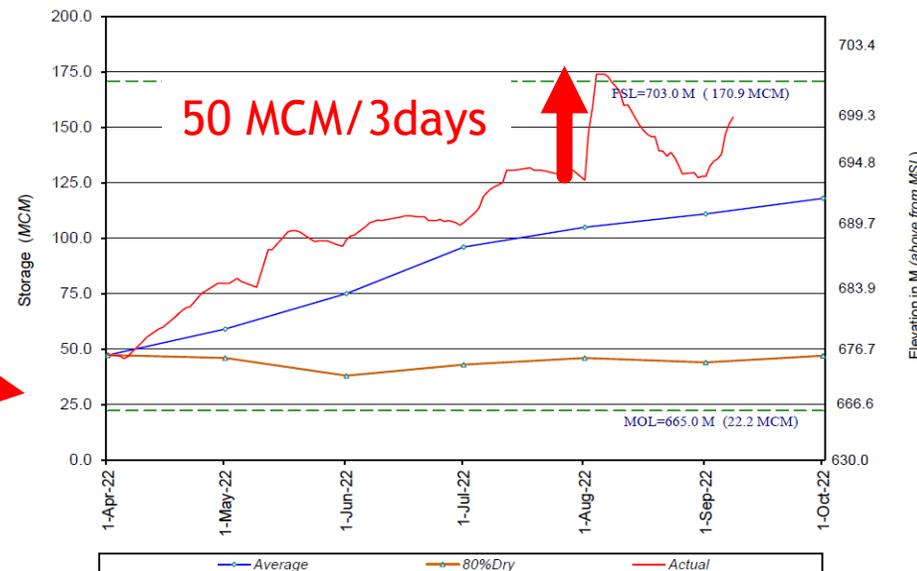
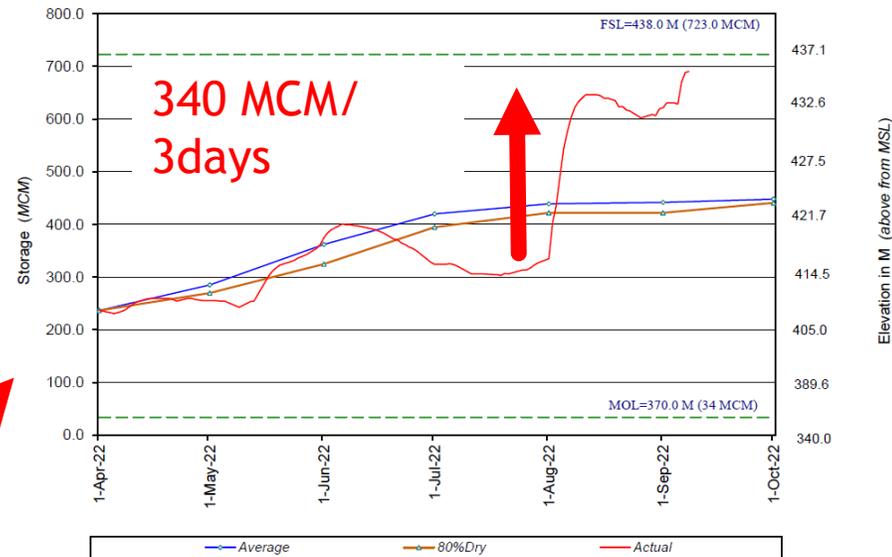
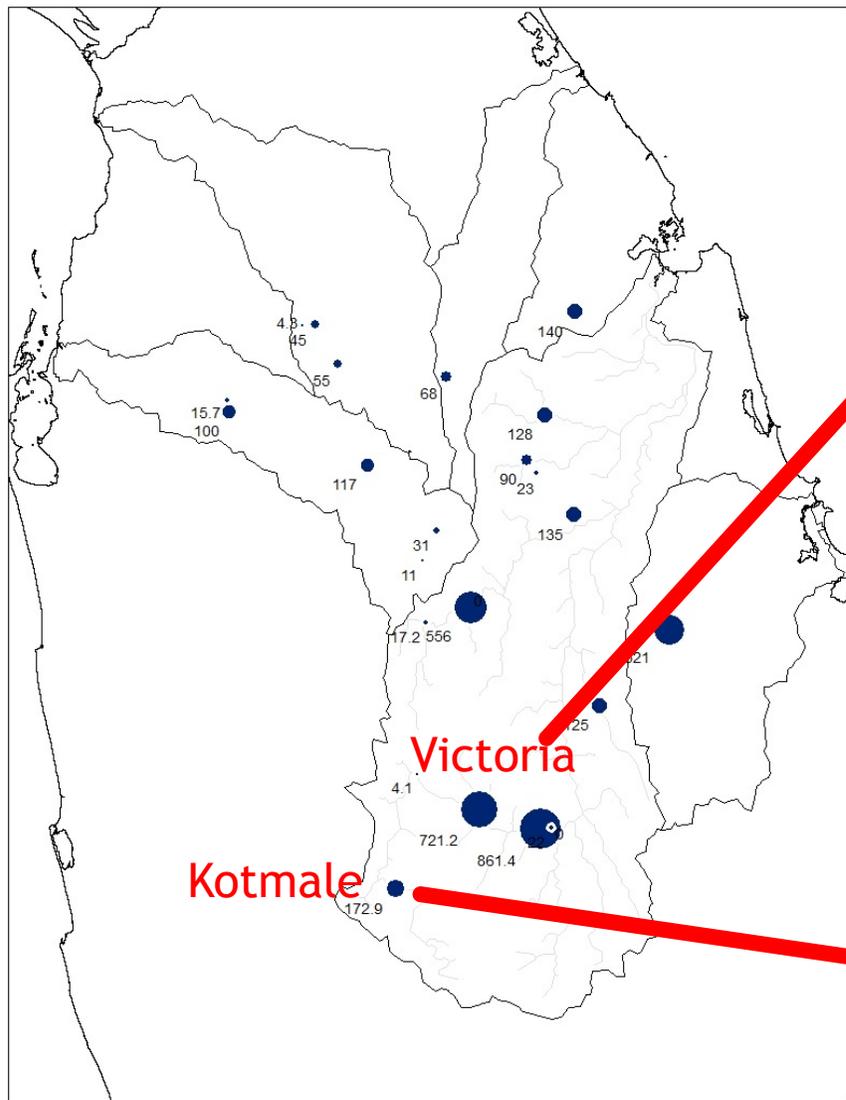
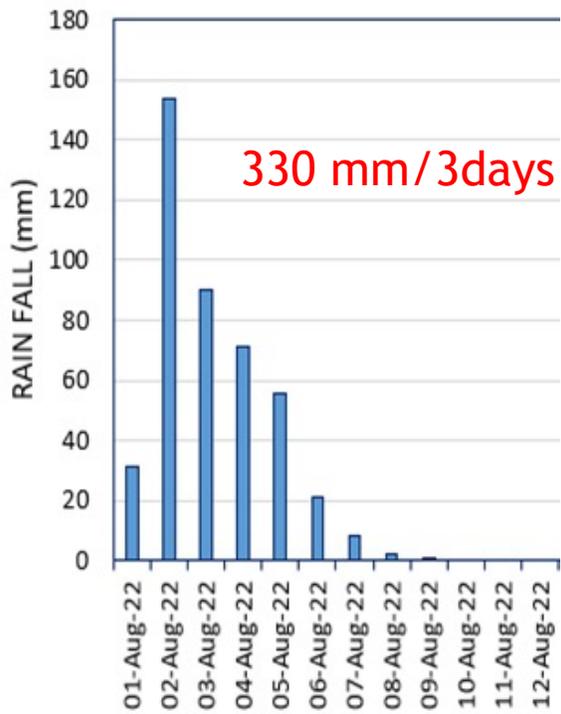
* Worst affected in terms of % reduction in national annual GDP by 2050, compared to scenario in 2050 in which ecosystem services do not change.

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- MADAGASCAR
- TOGO
- VIETNAM
- MOZAMBIQUE
- URUGUAY
- SRI LANKA
- SINGAPORE
- NEW ZEALAND
- OMAN
- PORTUGAL

Challenges and Gaps

In August 2022

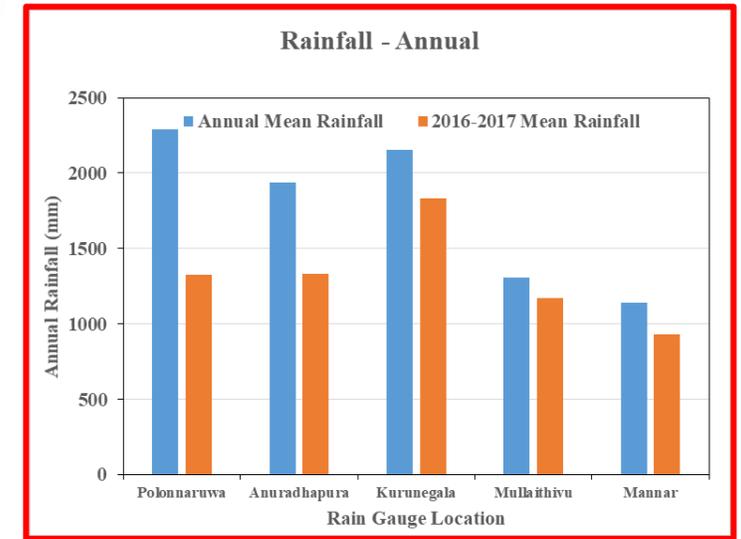
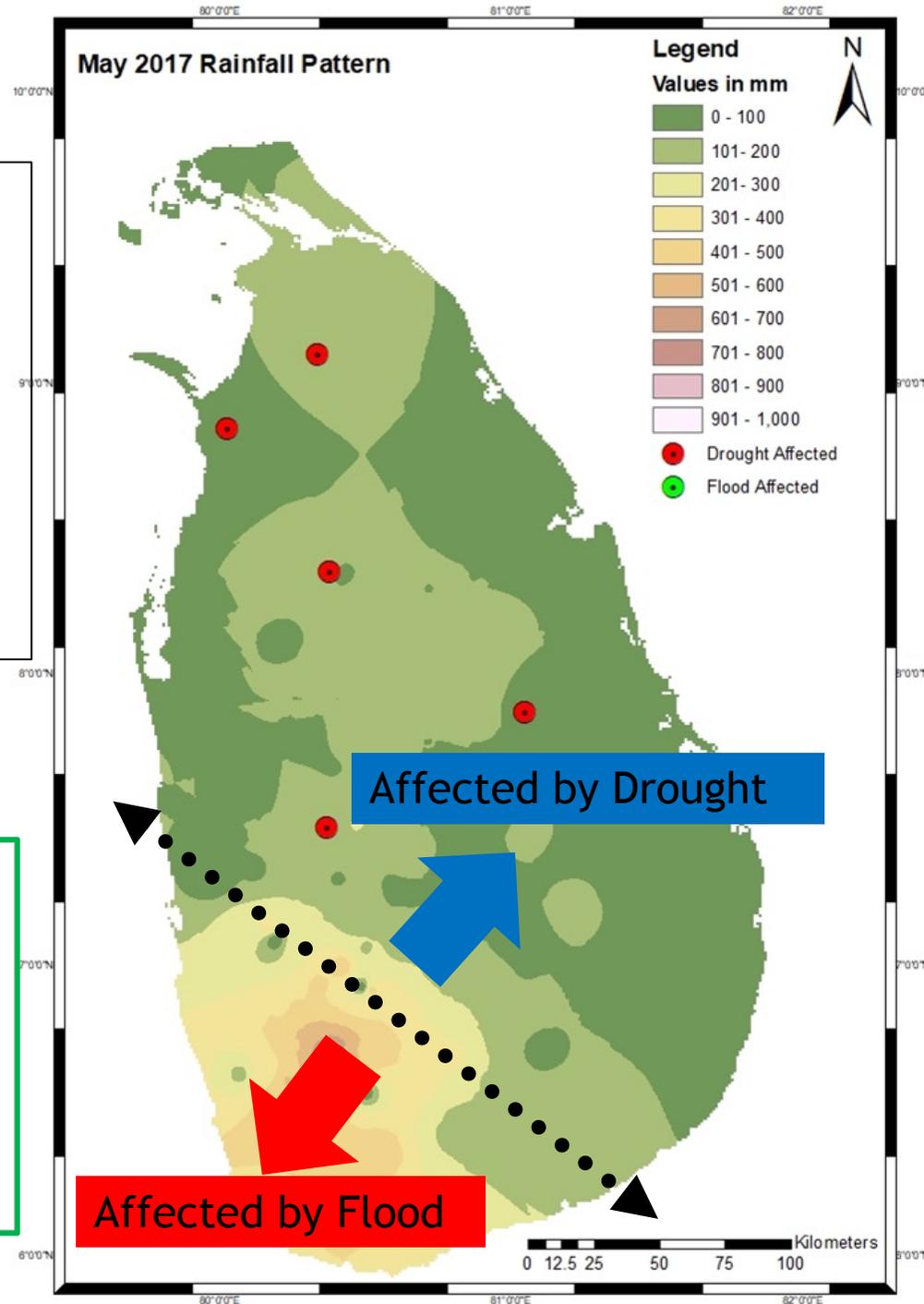
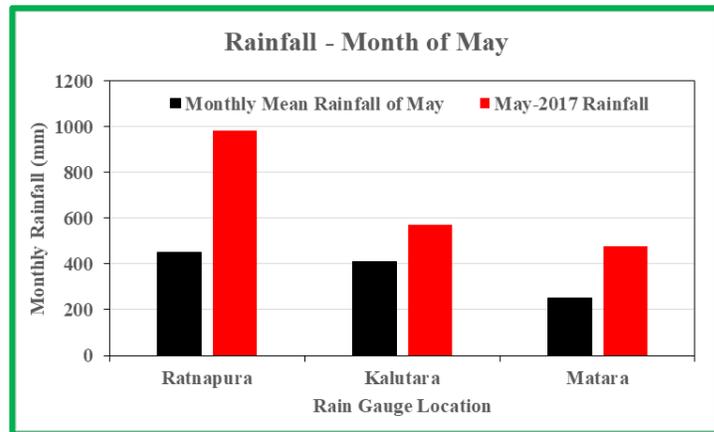


Challenges

battled through

- A cyclone (Mora)
- Heavy monsoon rains
- Landslides
- Worst floods

213 **CAUSALITIES** and about 600,000 displaced



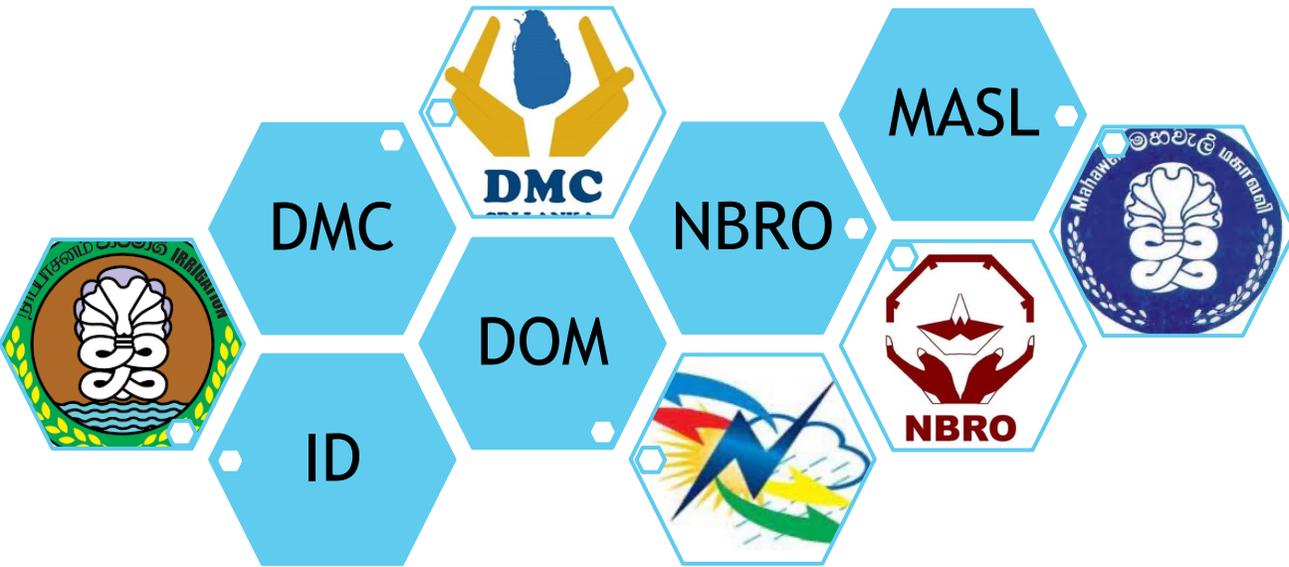
While;

Experiencing the worst drought of last two decades (2016-2017)

- 850,000 people directly affected
- Only 35% of the paddy land cultivated (November 2016)
- Out of which around 65% were harvested (March 2017)

Platform on Water Resilience and Disasters in Sri Lanka

Under IFI scheme, for strengthening Water-related Disasters Resilience and Enabling Sustainable Development in Sri Lanka, the Platform on Water Resilience and Disasters was established with the support of ICHARM in **2017**.





Flood Early Warning & Risk mapping

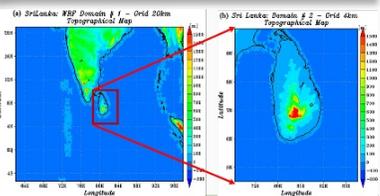


Climate Change Impacts Assessments

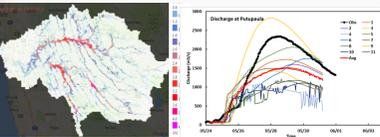


Capacity Building for Facilitators

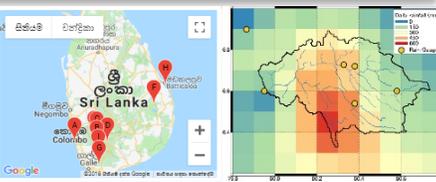
Basin Scale
Rainfall forecasting



Flood monitoring & forecasting



Rainfall monitoring and integration

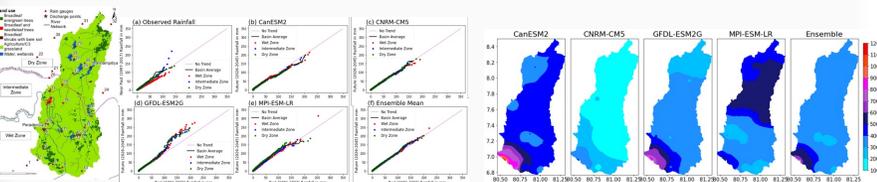


Visualization & Online dissemination

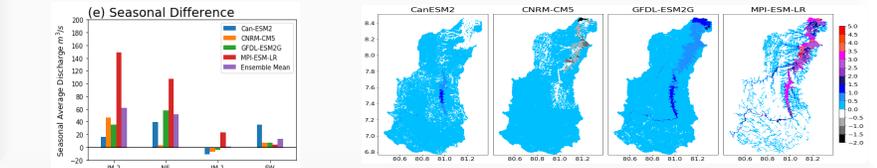


Basin

GCM projected rainfall downscaling and impact assessments on rainfall



Qualitative and quantitative Changes in river discharges and floods



Hot-spot

High-resolution flood inundation mapping (2-D, 3-D)



Support planning of evacuation, prevention, rescue, and recovery

- Hazard & Risk Information
- Crisis management & resource allocation tools

Hot-spot

High-resolution flood hazard mapping (2-D, 3-D)



Evidence-based long-term planning policy making

- Hazard & Risk Information
- Optimized dam and irrigation practices (hydropower vs irrigation)



Contingency planning with national and local agencies

Economic Impacts of disasters

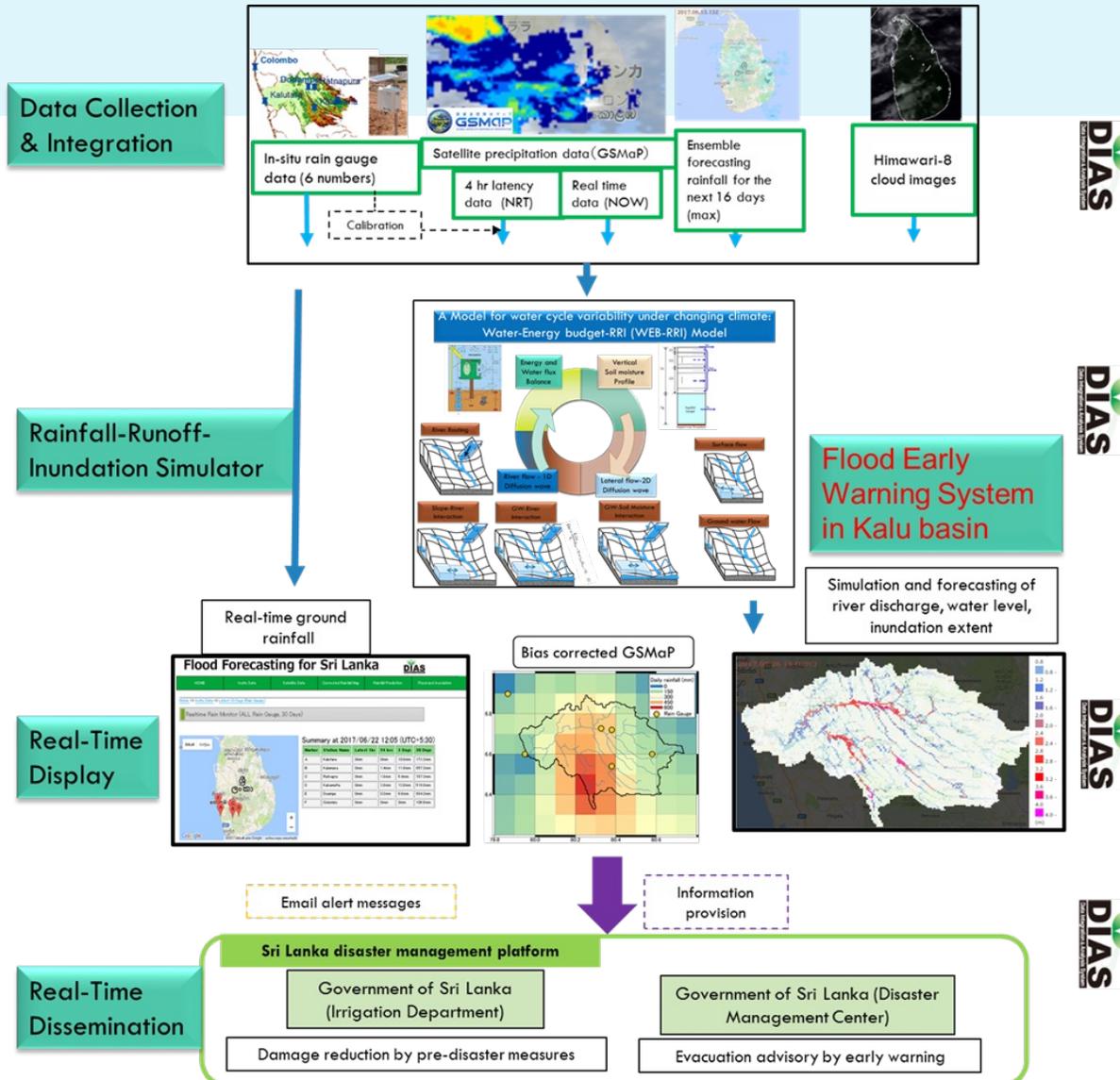
Adaptation planning

E-Learning Materials (Lectures & tutorials)

- Flood Early Warning
 - Ensemble rainfall forecasting
 - Rainfall monitoring and integration
 - Flood modeling
 - Flood mapping (2-D, 3-D)
 - Contingency planning
 - Disaster impact assessment
- Climate Change Impact Assessments
 - GCM downscaling
 - Flood modeling & hazard mapping
 - contingency planning
 - Dam optimization

Flood Early Warning

Early Warning System for Kalu River Basin (Operation in DIAS)



- ▶ One week ahead ensemble rainfall forecasting
- ▶ Rainfall monitoring and integration (use of automated rain gauges for bias correction of GsMap data with ground data)
- ▶ Flood monitoring and forecasting
- ▶ Visualization and online dissemination

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Thank you very much