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# Water Cycle Observations and IWRM Session-3

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## **Aim and Objective**

Basic aim of the Asian and African Water Cycle Initiatives is conversant with IWRM "to maximize the economic and social welfare of the stakeholder communities by addressing the impacts of climate change in a sustainable manner".

Achievement of this aim would be possible through extensive observations on water cycle, developing usable knowledge, noregret invests and coordinated efforts.

#### **Data Gaps**

 Insufficient hydrological and meteorological In-Situ data Network
Cryosphere is much behind the atmosphere and hydrosphere
Limited access to satellite data and unavailability of representative data sets

### Initiatives

 AWCI/GEOSS is entering into second phase of Water Cycle Integration

 DIAS is a land mark achievement of AWCI where
20 Asian nations have been contributing with data sharing in 18 river basins

 WMO has recently introduced new initiative on Global Cryospheric Watch

 Geo has made a significant progress during the last decade through GEOSS and data portals

