GEOSS-Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI)

Flood WG

- Activity Report -

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Major Activities of Flood WG

- Preparation of Generic template for demonstration projects in GEO on use of satellite information for flood risk Management (led by Prof. Herath)
- **Demonstration projects**
- Identification of member countries' needs and resources for capacity building → shifted to capacity building WG
- APN-ARCP "Flood Risk Management Demonstration Project under the Asian Water Cycle Initiative for the Global Earth Observation System of Systems (FRM/AWCI/GEOSS)" for 2008-2010 (two years).
  - To enhance demonstration projects through holding meetings (ICGs) and workshops (GFAS/IFAS Validation WS)
- Contributions to 4th APHW (Beijing) and GEOSS-AP activities (typhoon and cyclone session)
- Contributions to APWF's Steering Group for climate change adaptation strategy → climate change WG

Goal of APN-ARCP (Flood)

- To build up a scientific basis for sound decision-making and developing policy options for most suitable flood risk management for each country and region in Asia, through the full utilization of new opportunities on global, regional and in-situ dataset under the scheme of AWCI (contributing to GEOSS)

Objective of APN-ARCP (Flood, 2008-2010)

1. To convert observations and data, both through space borne platforms and data integration initiatives, to usable information for flood reduction
2. To improve quantitative forecasts for coupled precipitation - flood-forecasting systems
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Some examples of demonstration projects related to Flood WG (1/4)

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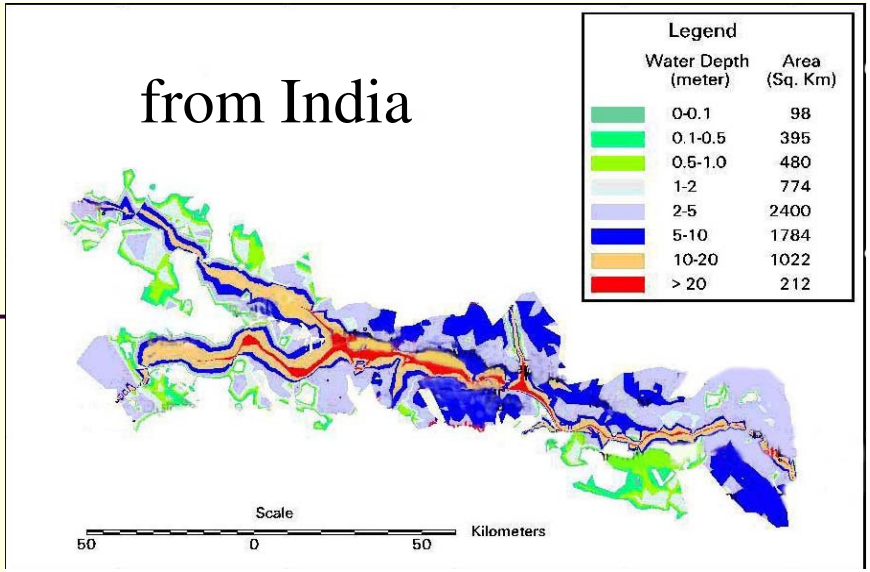
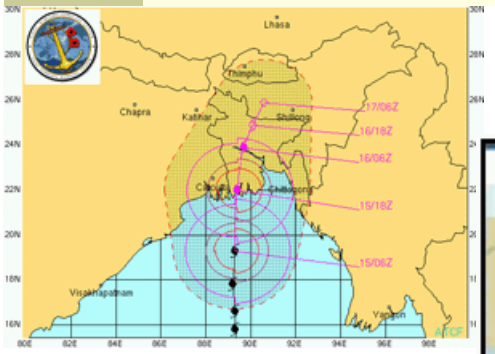


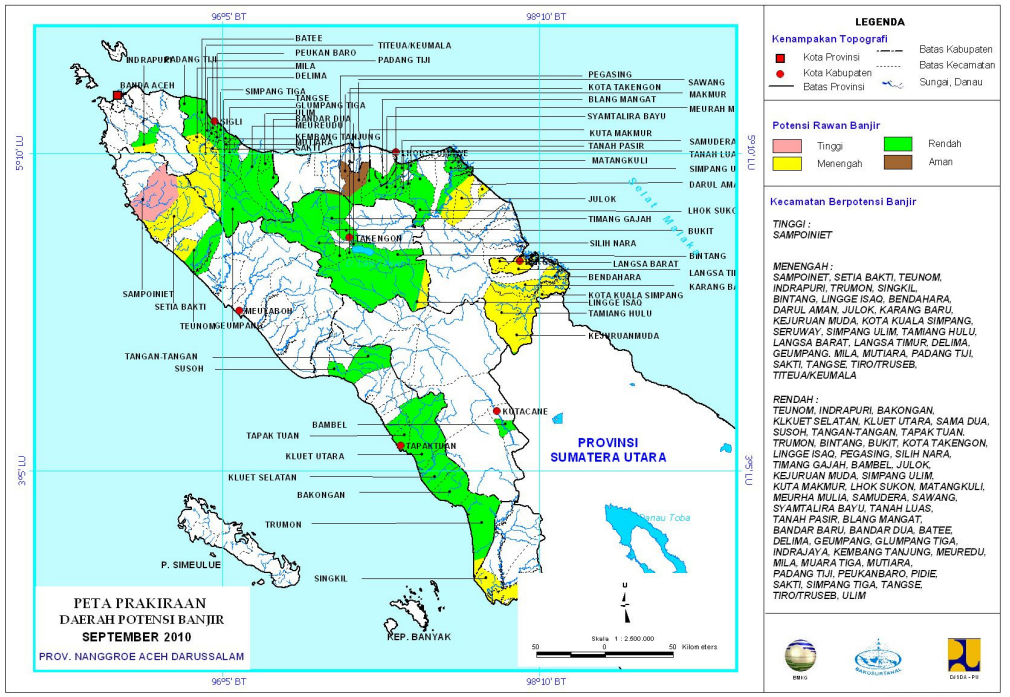
Fig.7 Example of flood inundation and depth mapping for 1000 year return period flood for the study area (Kumar, 2005)



Major districts affected by Cyclone 'SIRD'

Cyclone -SIDR,12-16 Nov,07

from Bangladesh



from Indonesia

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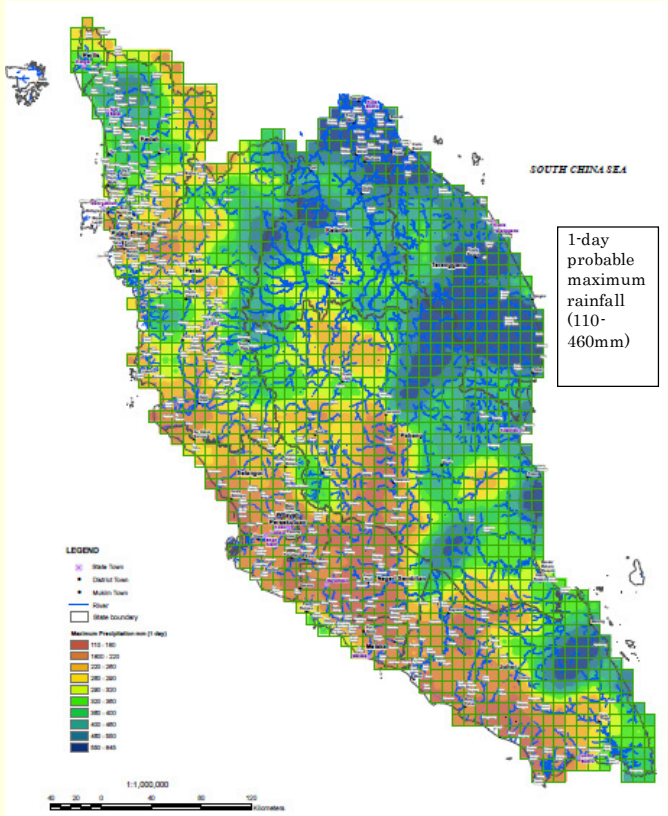
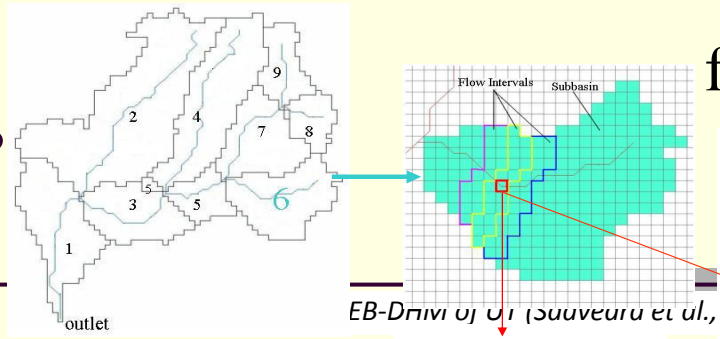
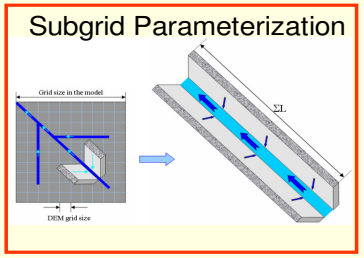


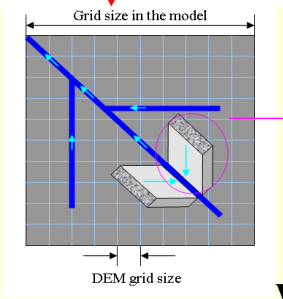
Fig.24 Maximum 1-day rainfall estimation over the peninsula of Malaysia in the future (2025-2034 & 2040-2050) (Amin, 2010)

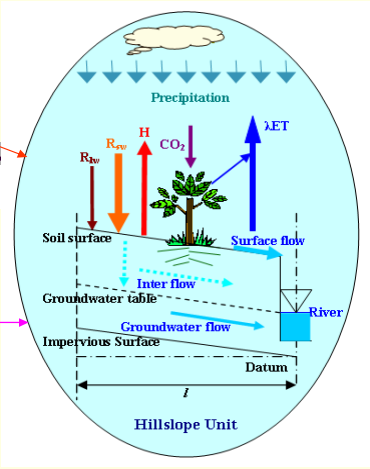
from Malaysia

from UT, Japan

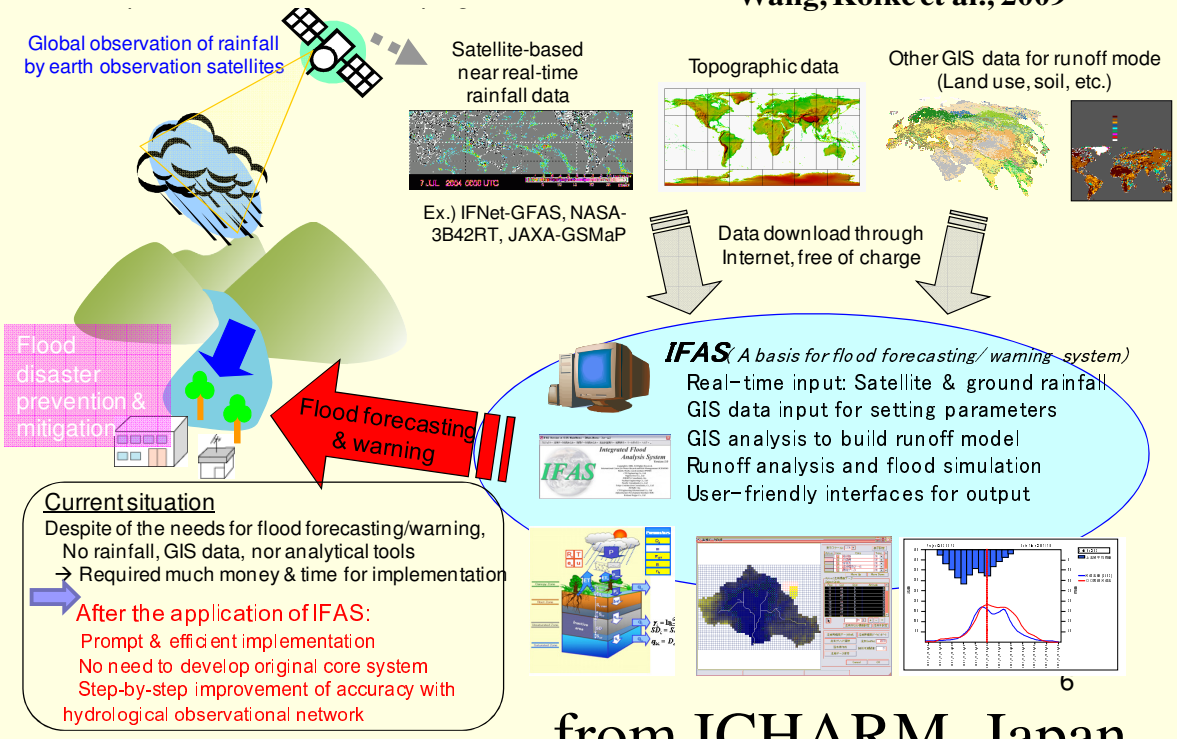








Wang, Koike et al., 2009



from ICHARM, Japan

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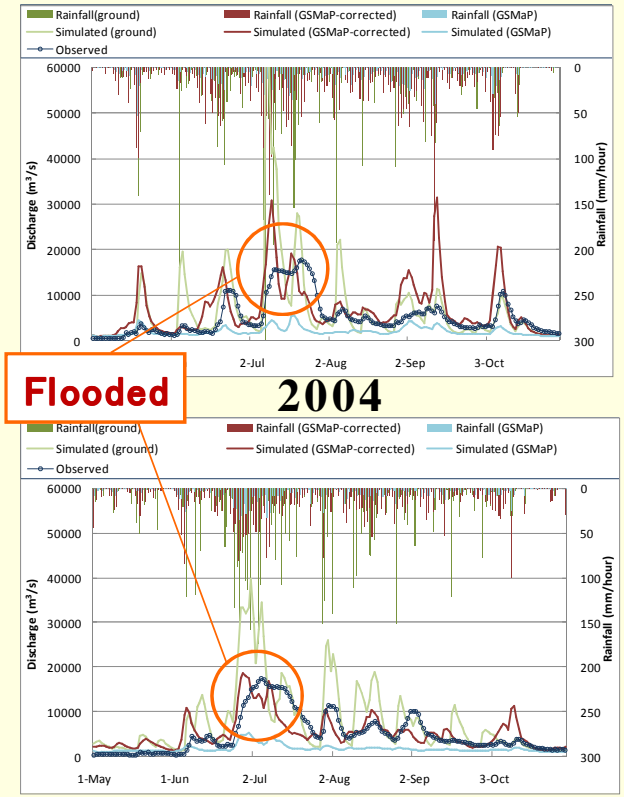
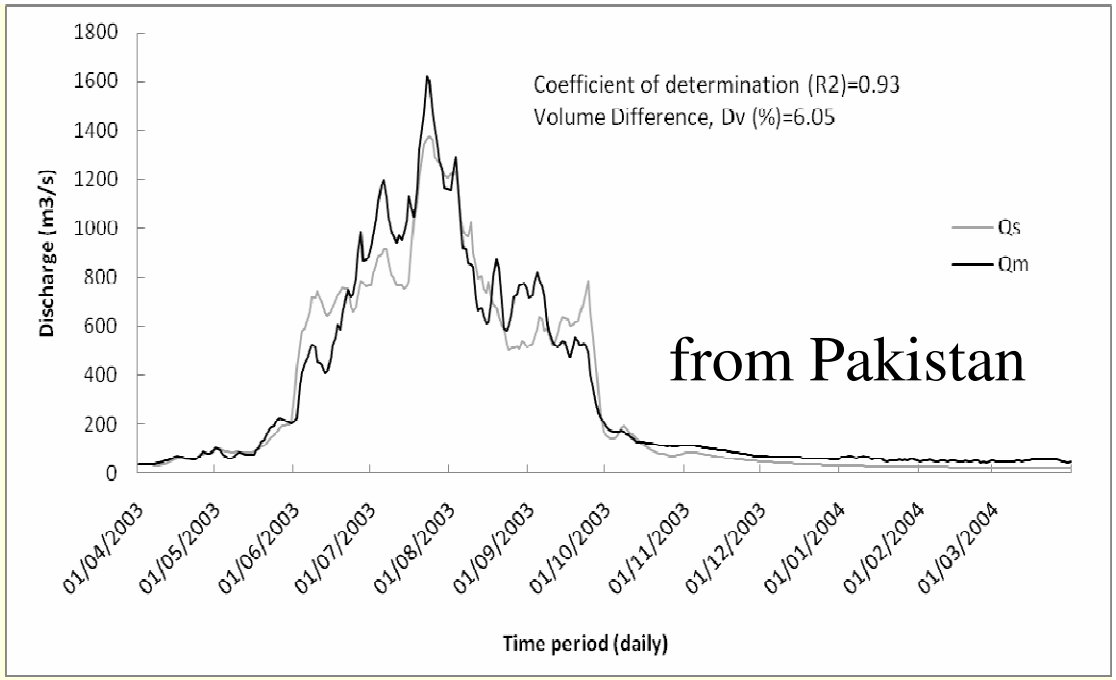


Fig.29 Comparison of IFAS simulation for 2003 & 2004 using ground-based and satellite-based rainfall data with observed river flow (Htay Htay Than, 2009)

from Myanmar



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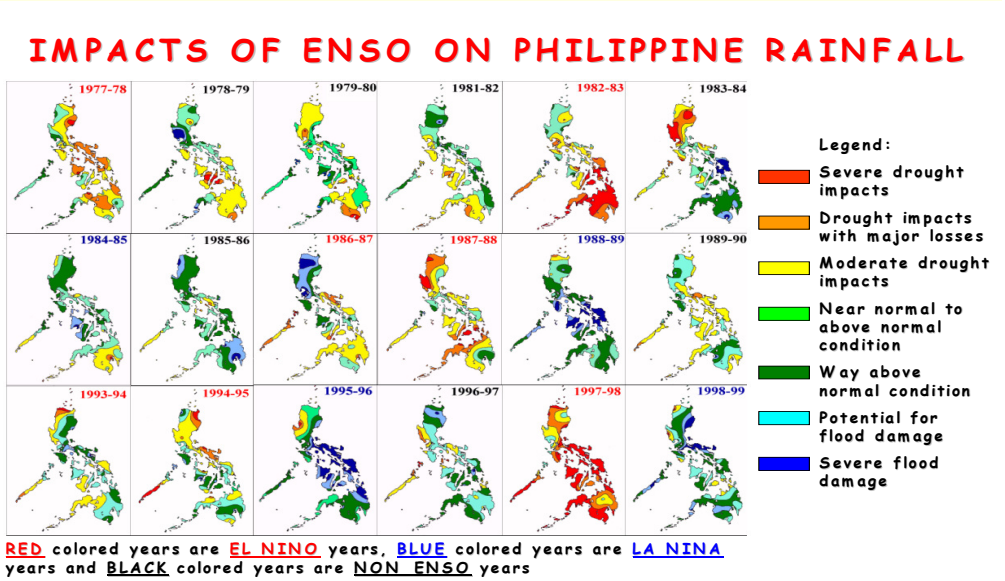

Fig.36 Interannual variation of hydrological impacts from 1977 to 1988 in the Philipines (Hilario, 2009)

from Phillippines

Some examples of demonstration projects related to Flood WG (4/4)

Fig.40 Colored staff gauge to easily identity flood risk (Thadu, 2009)

from Thailand

Fig.41 Flood information board for public

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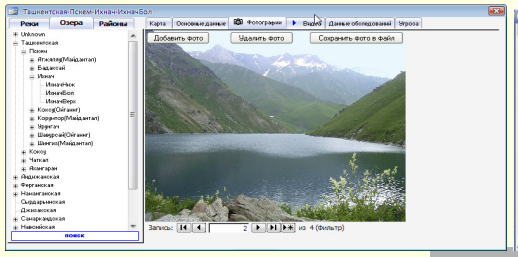
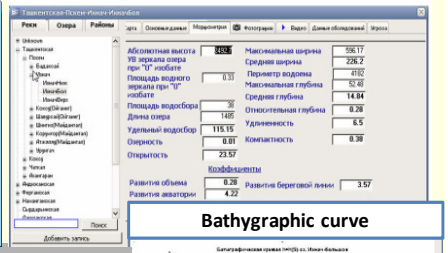
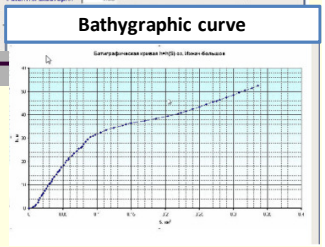
Pictures and video material



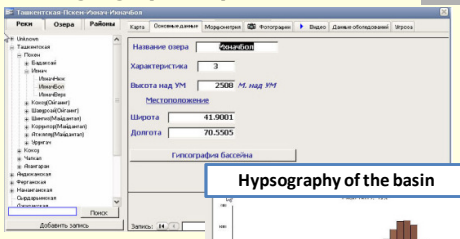
Morphometric characteristics of lake



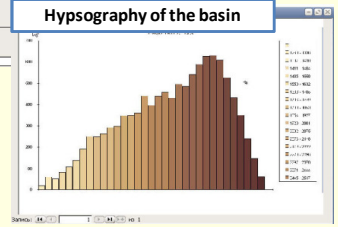
Bathygraphic curve



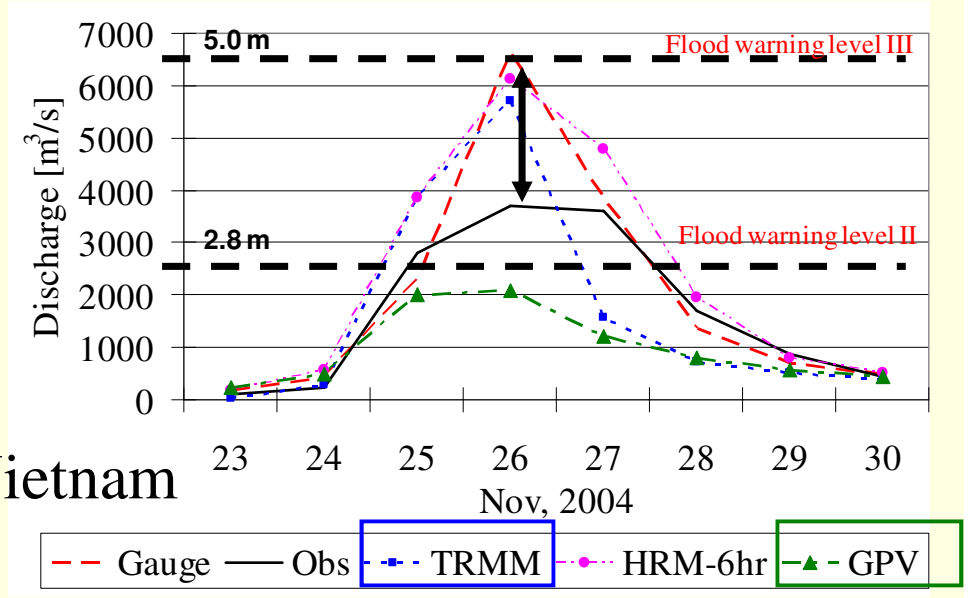
The geographical position of the lake



Hypsography of the basin



from Uzbekistan



from Vietnam

Indonesian Seminar and Workshop on the Use of Satellite Base Information in Flood Risk Management (Jakarta & Bandung, July 2008)

From Dr. Loebis's presentation

Workshops for Validation & Application of Global Flood Alert System (GFAS) & IFAS

1) 3-8 October 2008, 2) 3-7 August 2009

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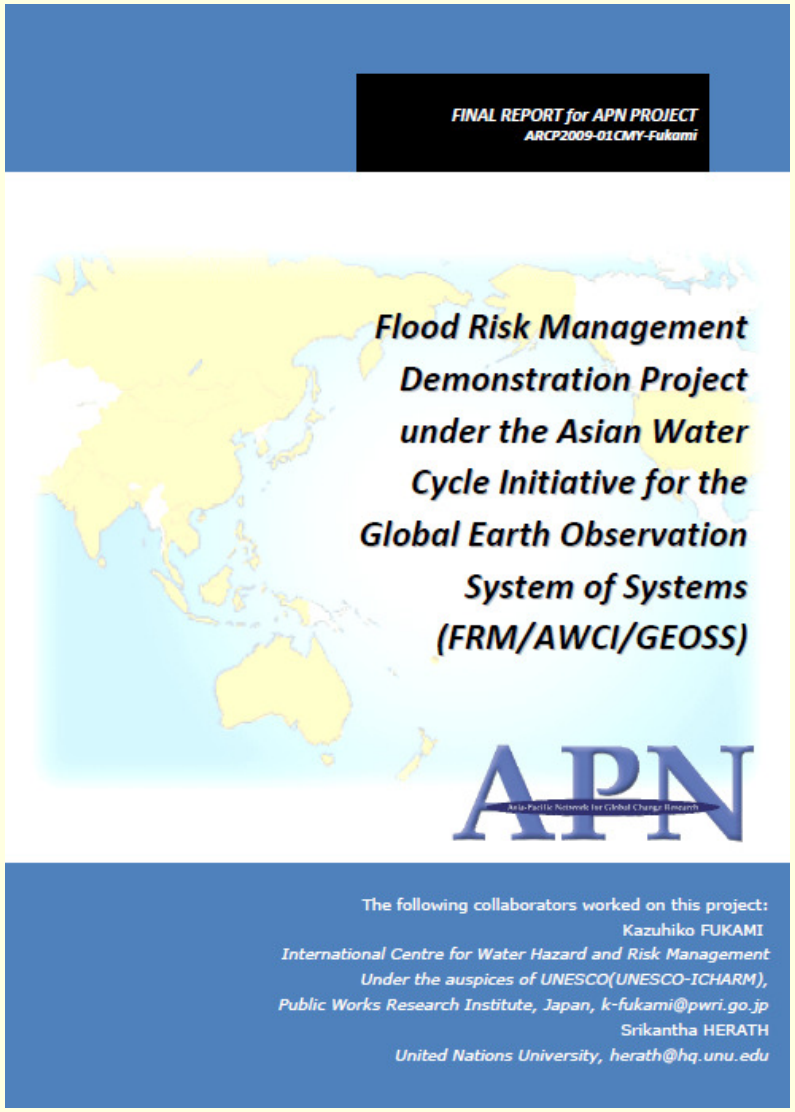
- The purposes is to build capacities in the countries to be able to undertake hydrological prediction/ forecasting in relatively ungauged catchments, to share local experiences and subjects, and to consider next actions

From

- 1) Ethiopia, Zambia, Cuba, Argentina, Bangladesh, Guatemala, Nepal (7countries)
- 2) Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Nepal & Vietnam (6 countries)

Final Report for APN-ARCP (1st Year, FY2008-2009)



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TECHNICAL REPORT

Preface

Asian Pacific countries have been suffering from flood disasters every year, which have been big barriers not only to reduce natural disaster casualties/damages but also to promote social welfares and economy in those countries. This project was proposed to contribute to flood disaster reduction through enhancing sustainable flood risk management with GEOSS data. Under the cooperative framework of GEOSS-AWCI, information exchanges and cooperative studies were promoted, and lots of new developments and local studies were conducted in each AWCI member country. The report summarizes the outline of those research activities. Please refer to references for more details of each study.

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Conclusions (from the APN-ARCP final report)

- The Flood WG of GEOSS-AWCI has been promoting mutual cooperative research activities, through regular meetings & human/information exchanges, to build up a scientific basis for sound decision-making and developing policy options for most suitable flood risk management. To attain this goal, we set up the following three objectives:

1. To convert observations and data, both through space borne platforms and data integration initiatives, to usable information for flood reduction
2. To improve quantitative forecasts for coupled precipitation - flood-forecasting systems
3. To facilitate flood risk assessment through the provision of scenarios and data for exposure estimation

- As a result of 2-year cooperative research activities among Flood WG of GEOSS-AWCI, there have emerged many promising technologies and practices for the future sustainable flood risk management. Most typical new technologies developed and/or validated through those activities are WEB-DHM, DRESS & FLOWSS of UT, IFAS of ICHARM, RegHCM-PM of NAHRIM, and so forth. Through repetitive meetings, discussions and cooperative activities, advanced technologies and many other innovative practices have been shared among all the members of Flood WG of GEOSS-AWCI, which will be expected to lead to updating and enhancing a variety of science- & data-based foundations toward sound decision-making and developing policy options for effective flood disaster risk reduction in Asia.

2-year Project Proposal to 2011 Annual Regional Call for Research Proposal (ARCP)

Title of proposed project (TBD):

Study on Innovative Hydrometeorological Technologies and Societal Practices through Coupled Use of Global & In-Situ Earth Observational Data for Flood Risk Management in Asia

2-year Project Proposal to 2011 Annual Regional Call for Research Proposal (ARCP) , TBD

- Abstract:

Integrated Flood Risk Management is the key measure to reduce flood disasters in Asia where both flood hazard and vulnerability are high. By taking advantage of new capacities, resources and networks developed through the past ARCP2009-01CMY-Fukami, several selected innovative hydrometeorological monitoring and/or modelling technologies and societal practices for integrated flood risk management coupled with global/in-situ earth observational data will be tested in flood-prone areas of Asia under GEOSS/AWCI (Asian Water Cycle Initiative). **Their effectiveness in wide-range natural and societal conditions will be evaluated and capacity building tools will be developed for operational flood risk management** under climate-change impacts with raising public and stakeholders' awareness.

Proposed project methodologies (TBD):

1) To organize international coordination meetings as Flood WGs under the framework of GEOSS/AWCI and to decide multiple test sites for some selected innovative hydrometeorological monitoring and/or modelling technologies such as WEB-DHM (Water and Energy Budget-based Distributed Hydrological Model) and Flood Warning Support System (FLOWSS) developed by University of Tokyo (UT), Rainfall downscaling tool developed by United Nations University (UNU), Integrated Flood Analysis System (IFAS), etc. with self-corrected satellite-based rainfall developed by ICHARM, etc. and societal practices.
2) To organize such technologies' & practices' sharing workshops at selected "top-runner" sites.
3) To apply them in test sites with the involvement of the public & stakeholders.
4) To share their experiences and improvements through Flood-WGs.
5) To extract key findings, including organizational issues, and develop capacity building tools, for integrated flood risk management.

A concise timeline for the activities (TBD):

Summer 2012: To organize the 1st international coordination meetings for the project as Flood WGs under the framework of GEOSS/AWCI, to select key innovative hydrometeorological monitoring / modelling technologies and societal practices for the project, and to decide multiple test sites for each selected innovative ones.

Autumn – Winter - Spring 2012-2013: To organize a few key technologies' & practices' sharing & capacity building workshops at selected "top-runner" sites where such practices have already been tested.

Autumn – Winter - Spring 2012-2013: To prepare the framework of each demonstration test study and to start it in each test sites of the GEOSS/AWCI-member countries.

Winter – Spring 2013: To make field survey to assist the test implementation of such key technologies and/or practices in a few test sites (demonstration river basins).

Summer 2013: To organize the 2nd international coordination meetings for the project as Flood WGs under the framework of GEOSS/AWCI, to review the interim status of each test studies, share experiences and discuss the way to improve them.

Autumn – Winter - Spring 2013-2014: To make field survey to assist the evaluation and improvement of such key technologies and/or practices in a few test sites.

Winter – Spring 2014: To evaluate the applicability and effectiveness of such key technologies and/or practices at a given natural/societal condition.

Spring 2014: To organize the 3rd international coordination meetings for the project as Flood WGs under the framework of GEOSS/AWCI, to extract and summarize final key findings and subjects.

Summer 2014: To establish capacity building tools for operational integrated flood risk management and to finalize the final report

Requirement to complete the proposal… (Deadline: 15 October, 2011)

- Your comments and opinions!
- Your 2-page CV / resume for the representative of each member country of Flood WG, AWCI

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Thank you for your understanding and cooperation to promote integrated flood risk management under GEOSS-AWCI-Flood WG, in advance!