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#### GEOSS Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI) 18 River Basins in 18 Countries



## **Objectives**

- Developing information system for improved modeling and disaster forecasting
- To make a bridge between regional and global scale data and information for sound decision making and resource allocation.
- Transfer output of joint research achievements to formulate adaptation strategy and enhancing social capacity building technique against disaster.

#### **Collaborators in Bangladesh**

- Ministry of Defence (MOD)
- Survey of Bangladesh(SOB),MOD
- Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD), MOD
- Space Research and Remote Sensing Organization (SPARRSO), MOD
- Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET)
- Environment & Population Research Centre (EPRC)
- SAARC Agricultural Centre (SAC)
- Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB)
- Disaster Management Bureau (DMB)
- Institute of Water Modeling (IWM), MOWR
- Military Institute of Science and Technology (MIST)
- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

#### **Collaborators Organizations in ASIA**

- Coordinated Enhanced Observing Period (CEOP), Tokyo University.
- International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM)
- Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- Flood hazard mapping, emergency manage (MRC)
- United Nations University (UNU)
- University of Tokyo, Japan
- Sejong University, Seoul, Republic of Korea.

# Demonstration Project (DP) MEGHNA RIVER BASIN Introduction

Surma-Meghna River System one of the three major river systems of Bangladesh. It is the longest river (669 km) system in the country. It also drains one of the world's heaviest rainfall areas (eg about 1,000 cm at Cherapunji, Meghalaya, India). The **Surma** originates in the hills of Shillong and Meghalaya of India. The main source is **Barak** river, which has a considerable catchment in the ridge and valley terrain of Naga-Manipur hills bordering Myanmar. Barak-Meghna has a length of 950 km of which 340 km lies within Bangladesh.

## The Ganges, Brahmaputra & Meghna Basins



Administrative Boundary International Boundary

River

Brahmaputra Basin 

Major Cities

Meghna Basin Ganges Basin

200 Kilometers 100

River System of Ganges, Brahmaputra and **Meghna Basins** 



#### **Extent of Meghna Basin (Flash Flood Prone)**



#### Climate: Meghna Basin (Bangladesh, NE Region)

- Mostly flash flood prone, occurs by Spring Reversal
- Spring Reversal is characterized by rainfall ~ 490 mm in the SW to ~ 1290 mm in the NE;
- The area has a tropical monsoon climate characterized by twice-yearly reversal of air movement;



## **Hydrological Condition**

- River System (Medium Range)
  35,00km (North East Region Model)
- Annual Average Rainfall

   ~ 2,200mm West , 5,800mm NE , 12,000mm NE corner
  - Annual Flow in the Region
    - 173 Km<sup>3</sup>, 40% rainfall &
    - 60% from Indian catchments (Meghalaya Hills, Barak Basin & Tripura Hills)

About 411 haors (bowl shaped water bodies)

80% of the area remain under water during monsoon but early flood (flashy nature) in April/May causes huge destruction to lives, crops and properties.

Enriched with various aquatic bio-diversities





## Status of Flash Flood Fight in Bangladesh



Flood Forecasting & Warning Center Bangladesh

#### Water Level in Manu River



#### **Flood Peak Travel Time**



ICWFM-2007

#### Flow

- The Ganges-Padma: 1,000 ~ 120,000 cumec
- The Brahmaputra: 2,400 ~ 102,000 cumec
- The Meghna: 500 ~ 30,000 cumec

## **Annual Sediment Transport**

- The Ganges-Padma: 886 Mtons
- The Brahmaputra: 600 Mtons
- The Meghna: 1 Mtons
- Stored over Bangladesh Plain would have about 9.0 m of standing water depth
- Stored over Bangladesh flood plain would have about
  1.6 cm thick sedimentation

#### Land use in Meghna River





#### Change of the Kushyara River Course in Jagannathpur, Nabiganj and Balaganj Upazilas NIR band combination of Landsat TM images



Upazila Boundary

#### Change of the Barak River Course Near Banskandi Town of Silchar District Under Assam State of India

NIR band combination of Landsat TM images



#### Design Current

#### Flood Warning System in Bangladesh (Current)



#### Design Idea



### **Accomplished activities**

- Basic Information Submitted
- Data uploaded in AWCI Data Upload Center (Ver.3.04 a)
- Quality Checked

Station	:15						
<b>Obs. Elements</b>	: Temperature (Min, Max), Precipitation,						
	Stream flow, River water level						
Data interval	: Daily						
<b>Observation</b> period	: 2003 - 2008						

#### <u>Bangladesh Meghna (Status of 2003/1-2008/12)</u> 15 stations as of 2011-09-26 13:09:35

site	station	G	Ι	D	B	С	м	U	total	%	Γ	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	001:Dhaka (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>4384</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	4384	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	002:Mymensingh (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6575</u>	0	1	0	0	0	0	6576	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	003:Tangail (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6575</u>	0	1	0	0	0	0	6576	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	004:Faridpur (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6557</u>	0	<u>5</u>	0	0	14	0	6562	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	005:Madaripur (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6564</u>	0	4	0	0	8	0	6568	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	<u>006:Comilla</u> (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>7068</u>	0	<u>6</u>	0	0	0	0	7074	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	<u>007:Chandpur</u> (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6568</u>	0	5	0	0	3	0	6573	100 %	[[	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	008:Sylhet (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6750</u>	0	2	0	0	0	0	6752	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	<u>009:Srimangal</u> (2003/1 - 2008/12 in DB)	<u>6559</u>	0	2	0	0	15	0	6561	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	010:Sheola (2004/1 - 2007/7 in DB)	<u>320</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	320	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	011:Sherpur (2004/1 - 2007/7 in DB)	<u>164</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	164	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	012:Monu_Rly.Bridge (2004/1 - 2007/7 in DB)	<u>342</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	342	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	013:Parshuram (2004/1 - 2008/1 in DB)	<u>560</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	560	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	014:Kanairghat (2004/1 - 2007/7 in DB)	<u>302</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	302	100 %	$\left[ \right]$	
01:Bangladesh_Meghna	015:Sunamganj (2004/1 - 2007/7 in DB)	<u>174</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	174	100 %		
site	station	G	Ι	D	B	С	Μ	U	total	%		

#### Flash Flood Forecasting in the Northeast Region of Bangladesh Using ECMWF data

## The Study

This Study has been conducted on two pilot basins:

- the Manu River Basin and
- the Jadukata River Basin









#### Further improvement required :

 Information and real time rainfall data for the Indian catchments
 New rainfall stations in Indian catchments
 Calibration of Radar installed at Moulvibazar
 Flash flood flow measurements



#### Detection Range of the Proposed Radar System

New hydrological Doppler Radar in Moulvibazar

## **Impact of Climate Change**



#### Impact on Pre-monsoon Flood: Haor Area, Northeast



# AVAILBILITY OF DATA AND

#### WATER MANAGEMENT TOOLS

Data Availability in Northeast Region of Bangladesh

Hydro-meteorological data (about 40 years)

Rainfall :44 stations

**Evaporation :** *3 stations* 

Water Level : 55 stations

Discharge : 40 Stations

**Spatial Data : Topographical and Landuse** 

National DEM, SRTM DEM,

**Information of BWDB Haor projects** 

**GIS** shapes of roads, rivers, Haor inventory

Satellite images



## WATER MANAGEMENT TOOLS

#### **Modelling Tools**

- Basin Model for the Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna (GBM) Basin
- Hydrological Model for the Northeast Region (Meghna Basin)
- Hydrodynamic Model cover significant river system for North East Region
- Specific Project Models to address the Local Area Water Management issues and to provide solutions

#### **BASIN MODEL** Development and Calibration



#### **Water Management Tools- Mathematical Model**

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Hydrological Model to generate catchment-runoff; Hydrodynamic model to generate water level and flows and GIS for flood mapping

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Model is used for various water management option studies including Climate Change

# From global to regional climate modeling The spatial scales of climate processes

### Global

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Local

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Source: F. George through SMRC

#### **Downscaling of GCM**

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## **Techniques**

- Dynamic Downscaling or mesoscale simulation
   nest a finer-scale grid (e.g., 10 km x 10 km) within
  - a GCM over an area of interest
- Statistical Downscaling or empirical downscaling
  - based on CC parameters for historical period and
  - GCM parameters for same past period

## Way forward

**Methods to improve flash flood forecast in NE region:** 

- Continuous WL and RF measurements at border
- Meteorological forecast
- Measurements inside India

## Way forward contd.

- There are knowledge gaps right from downscaling of the climate model to the considerations of blending meteorological science with the hydrology. Capacity building in these areas will be of prime importance.
- Regional cooperation at the basin level for prediction of climate change impacts and adaptation measures, sharing of knowledge and development of resources (flood moderation and forecasting, navigation etc.)
- Models available in Bangladesh need to updated and upgraded with local level information so that it can be utilised for local level flood management including flood forecasting, flash flood forecasting with increased lead-time

#### Cost of doing nothing..... retreat to the top of the Embankment

# Thank You