

APN Project Report (Drought/CAPaBLE):

Drought monitoring system development
by integrating in-situ data, satellite data
and numerical model output

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Purposes

- To share and improve the drought monitoring capability in various Asian countries, such as Bangladesh, China, Nepal, Mongolia, Philippines, Pakistan, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- To set up a drought monitoring and research network in Asian countries.
- To assist development of early warning systems of drought hazards in the countries.

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What and how did we do?

- 1) Drought definition study
- 2) Building a data bank and data analysis for sharing and improving drought monitoring capabilities with
Exchanging the data and information
- 3) Setting up monitoring and research network of drought
- 4) Developing an early warning system of drought hazard
- 5) Holding a workshop and training courses for Asian scientists and operators

Results

1) Drought definition

Various definitions using in Asian countries

China: Using/studying drought indices Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI), Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI), Crop Moisture Index (CMI), Surface Water Supply Index (SWSI) and Drought Frequency Index (DFI).

Vietnam: Two ways to estimate drought index:

- a) Estimate a drought year as one with rainfall deficit > 20%;
- b) Estimate a drought year with water balance K (Dry index – the ratio of evaporation to rainfall).

$$K(n) = E(n)/R(n)$$

E_n : amount of Piche evaporation in calculated period (n),

R_n : rainfall amount in calculated period (n).

K index	$K < 0.5$	$0.5 \leq K < 1.0$	$1.0 \leq K < 2.0$	$2.0 \leq K < 4.0$	$K \geq 4.0$
Drought level	Very humid	humid	slightly dry	moderate dry	very dry

2) Data sharing

Data bank

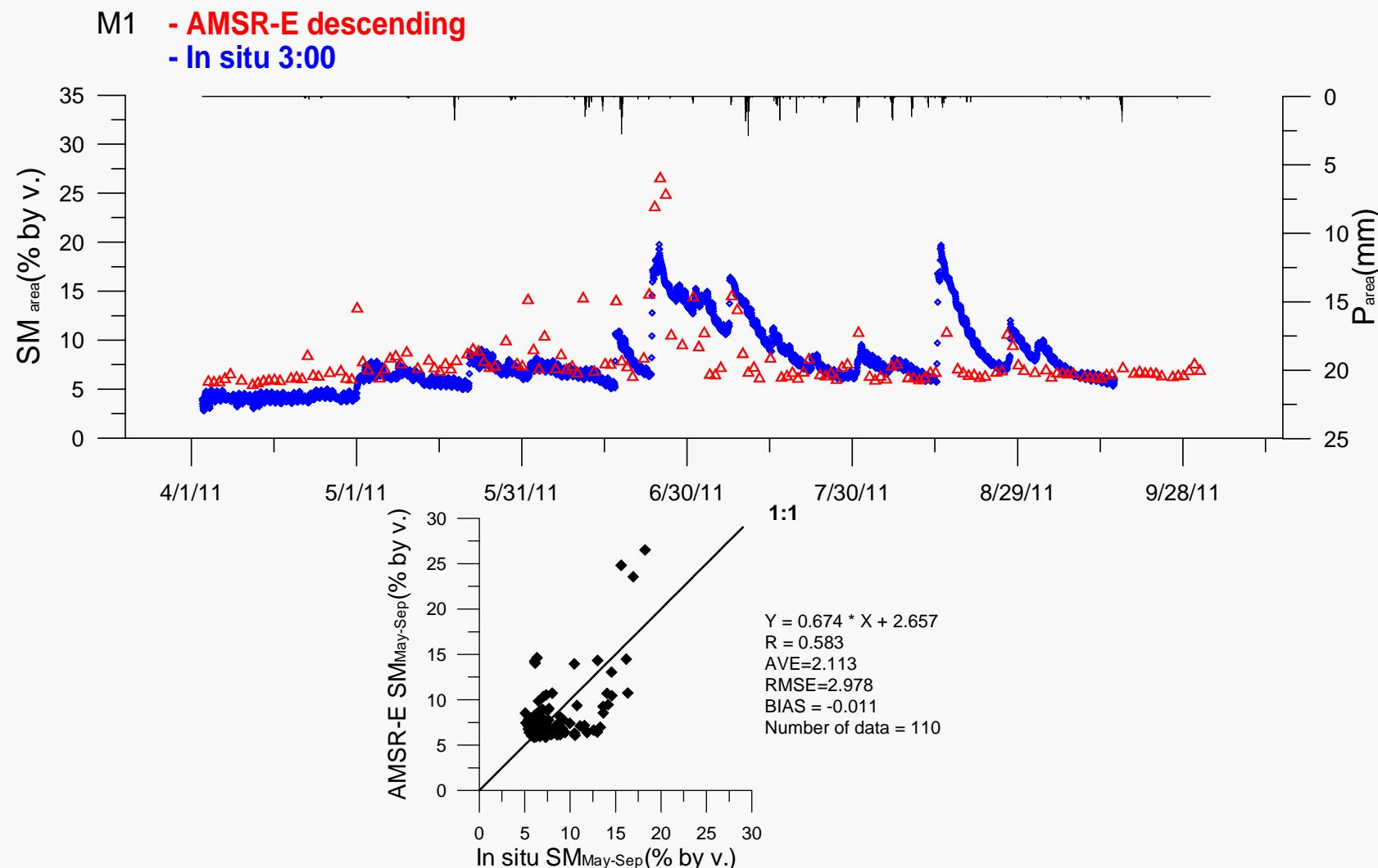
Folder name of data	Period	Target country/area	Others
SM MON	2006–2011	Mongolia	4 AWS
SM NAMHEM	2006–2011	Mongolia	More than 30 stations
SM SHANXI	2006–2009	China	More than 100 stations
SM PAKISTAN	2002–2009	Pakistan	4 stations
SM BD	2007	Bangladesh	9 stations
MET VEIT	2008–2009	Vietnam	3 stations
MET MON	2006–2011	Mongolia	4 AWS

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Satellite data (AMSR-E SM data):

<https://gcom-w1.jaxa.jp>

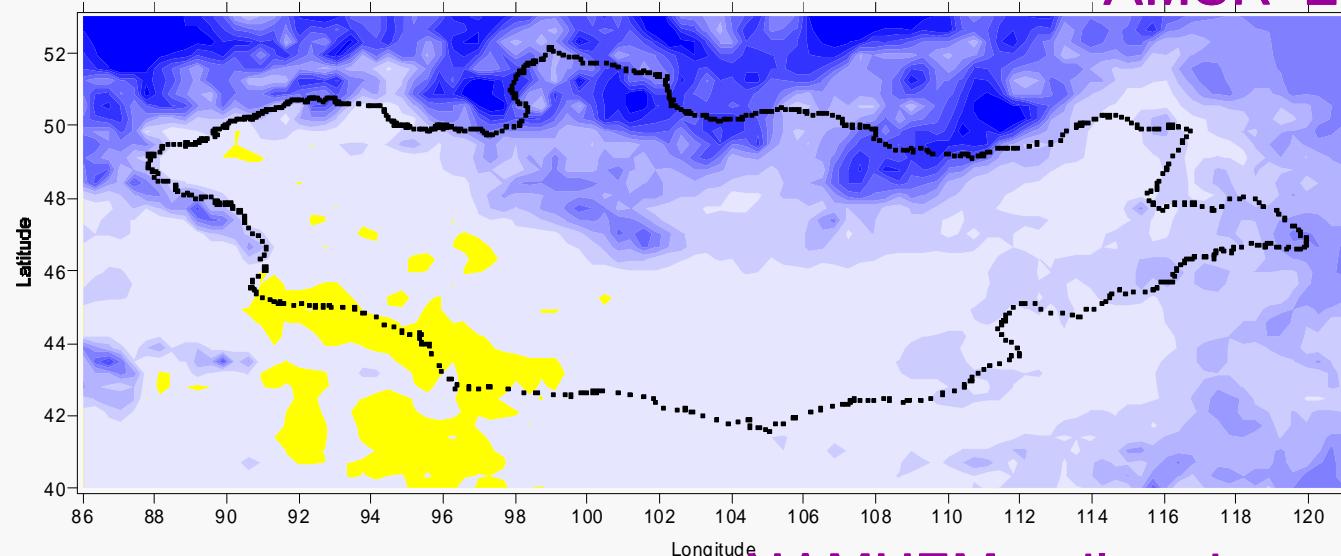
Using the obtained data



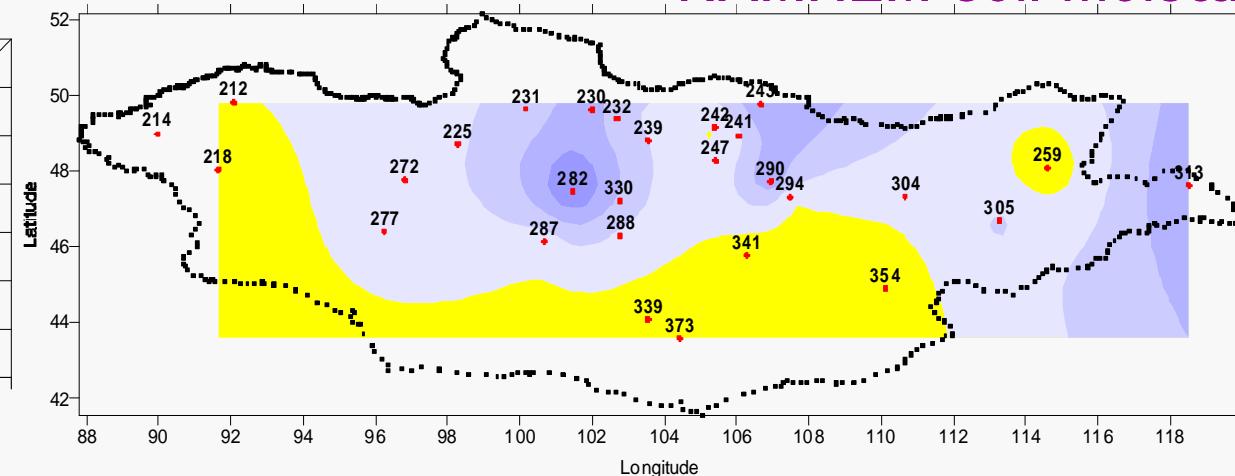
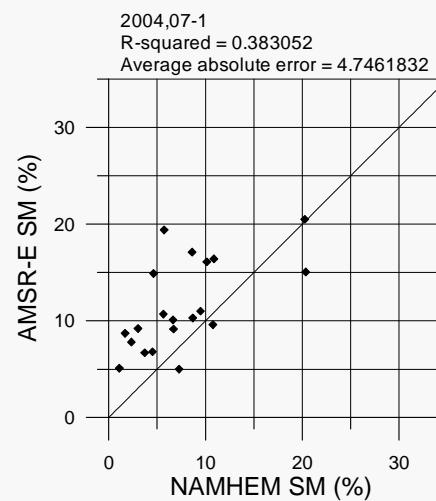
Comparison results of soil moisture of in situ (In-situ)
with AMSR-E (Descending) in 2011

Early-July 2004

AMSR-E



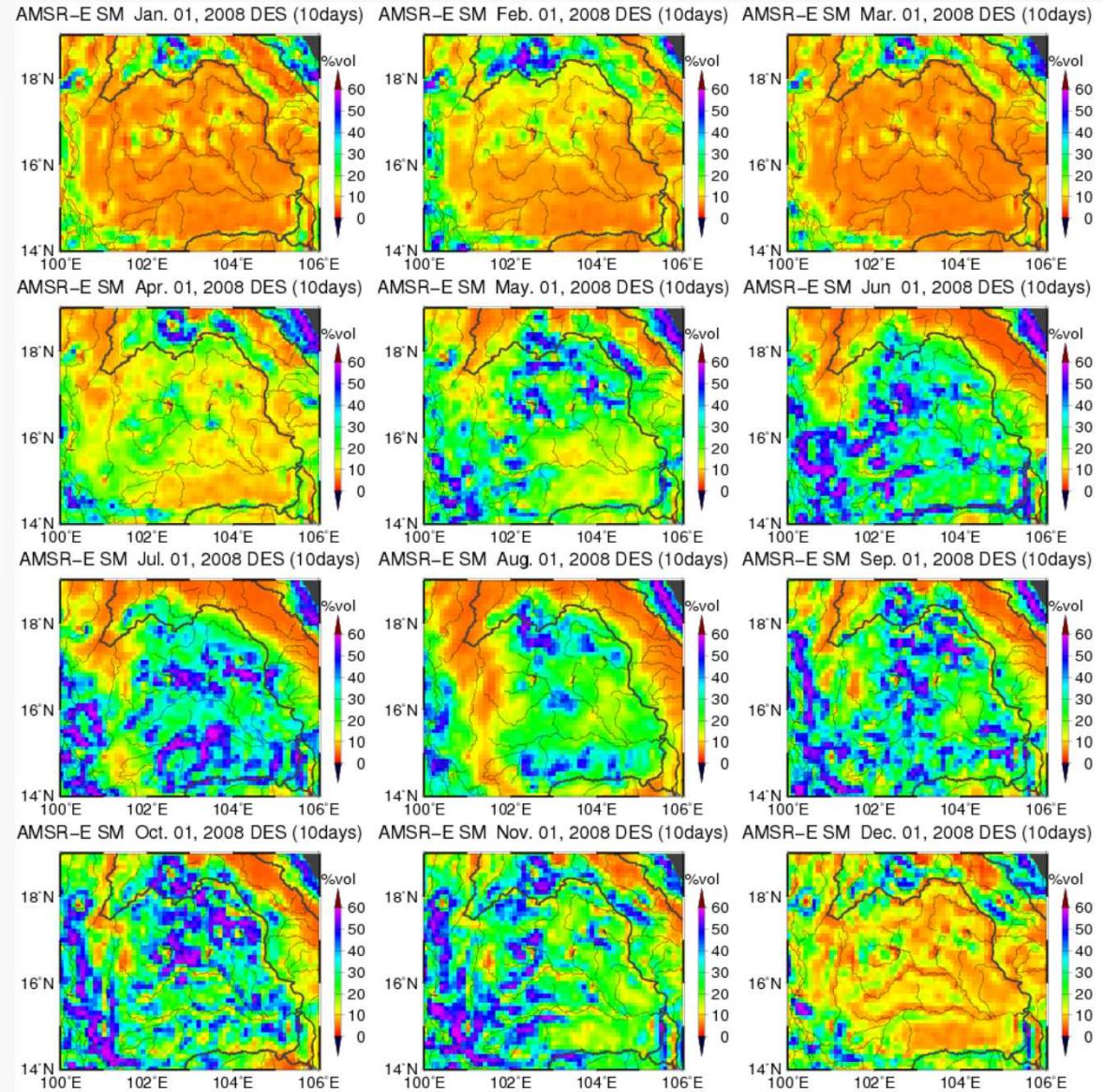
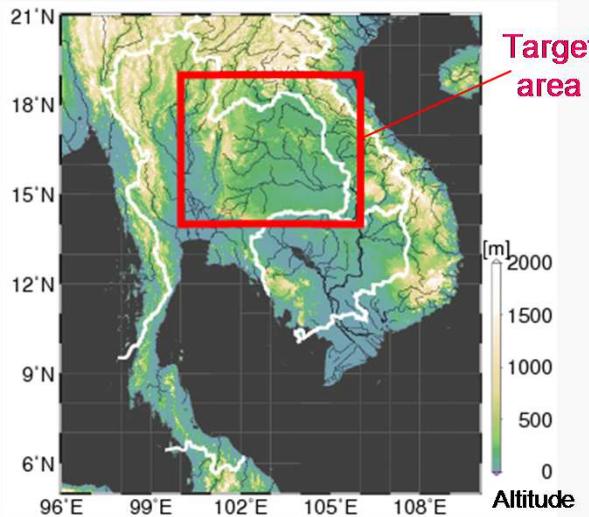
NAMHEM soil moisture



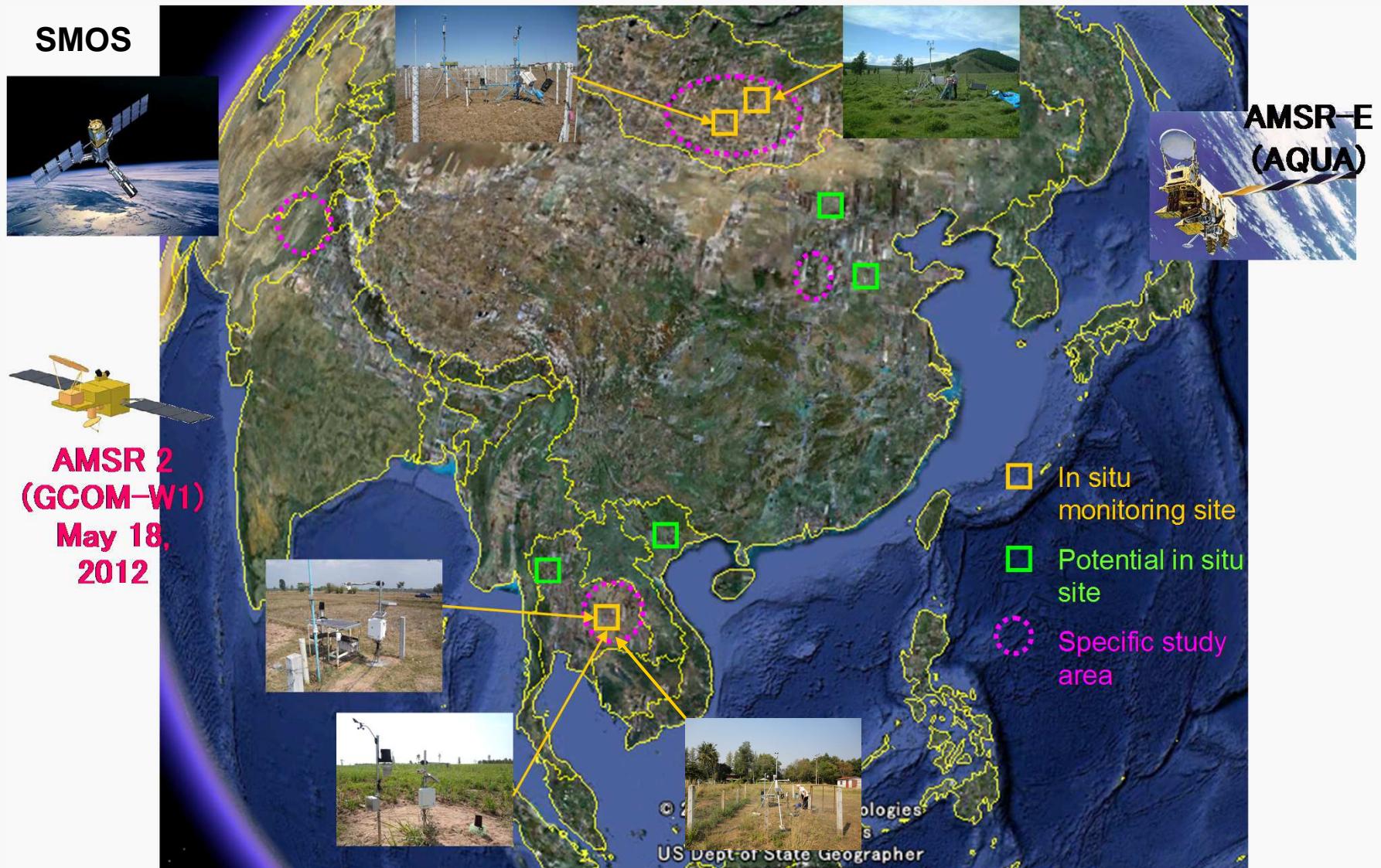
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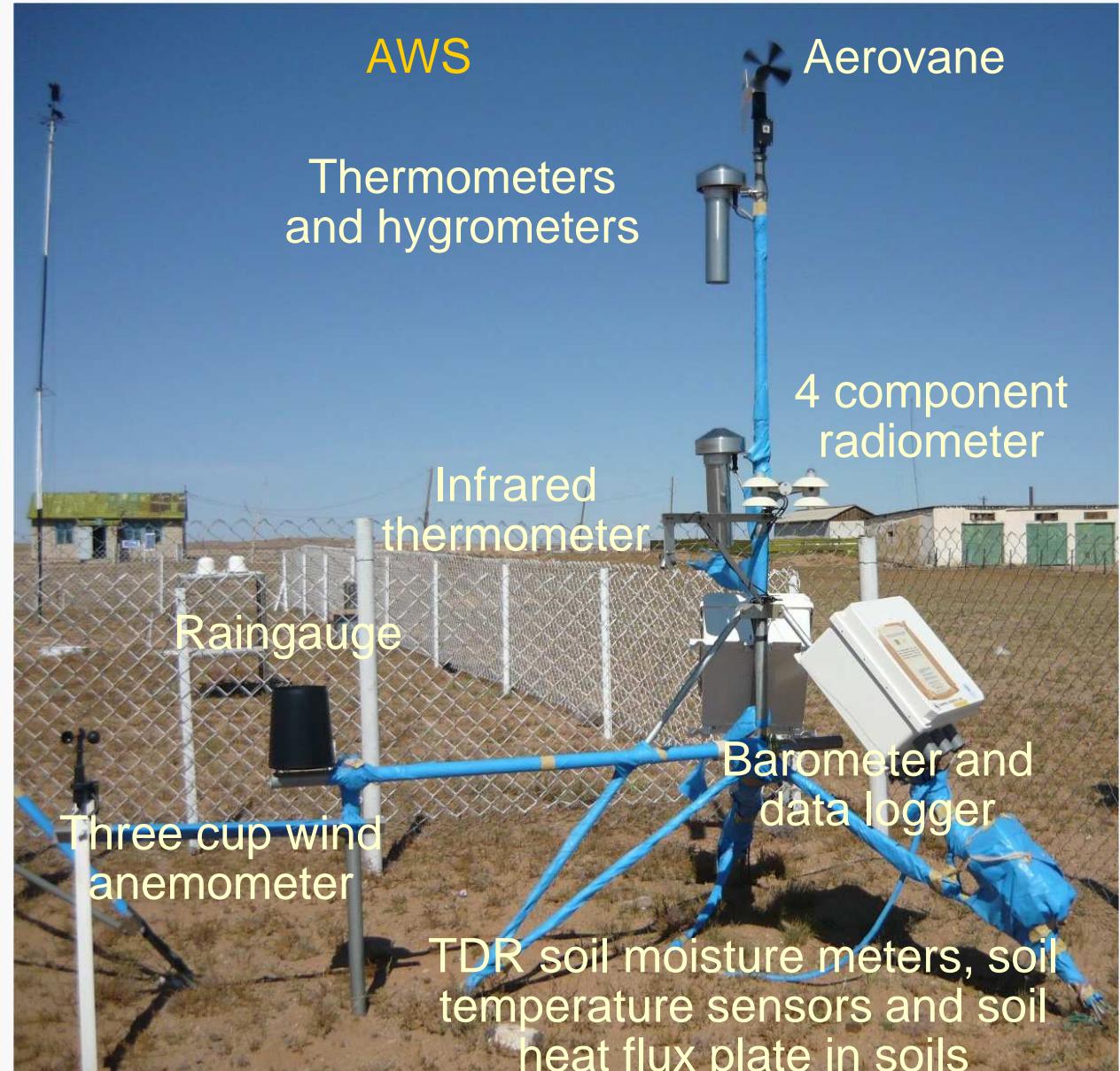
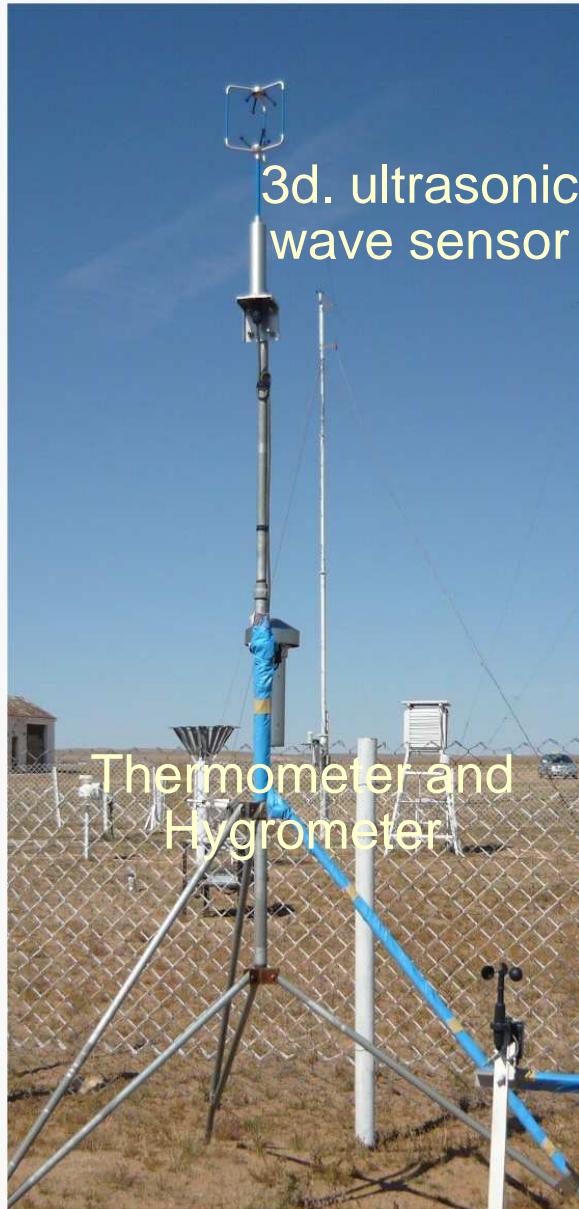
Comparison of AMSR-E estimation with NAMHEM soil moisture at the 0-5 cm depth in early-July in 2004

3) Data analysis (AMSR-E SM analysis)

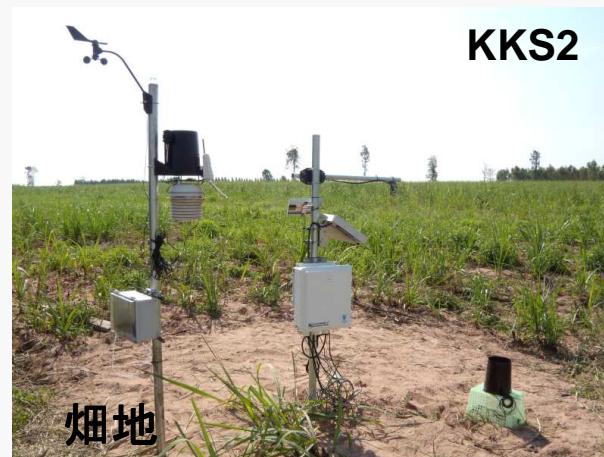
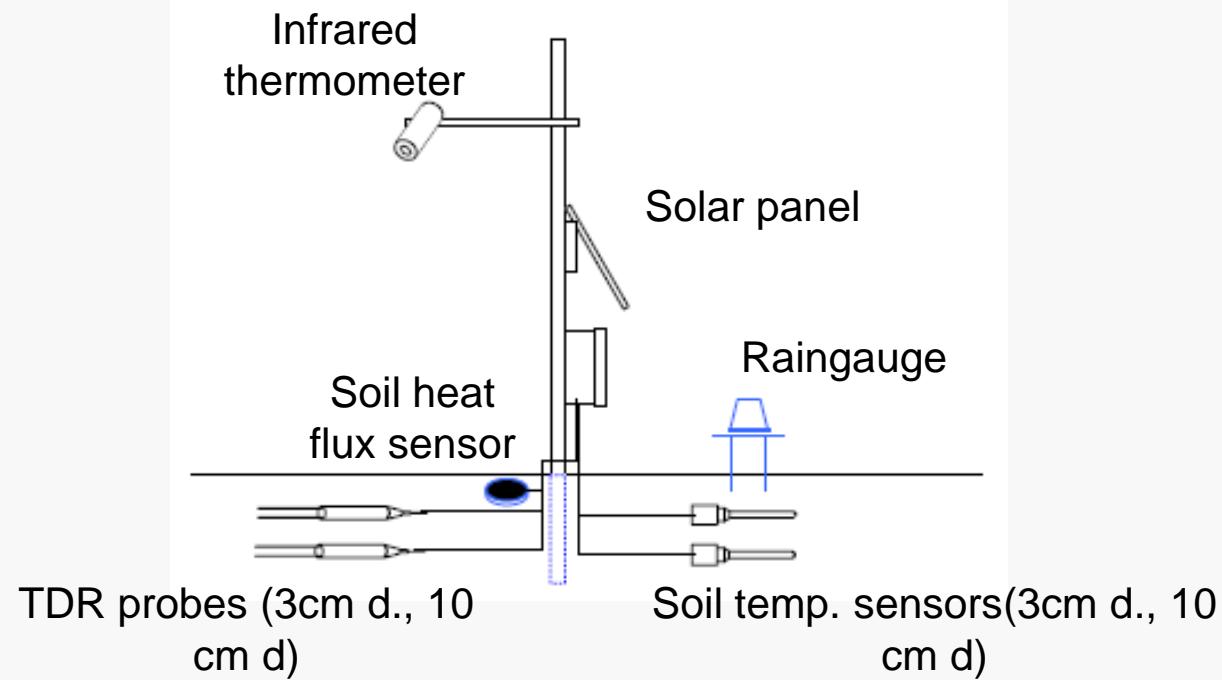


4) Drought monitoring and research network



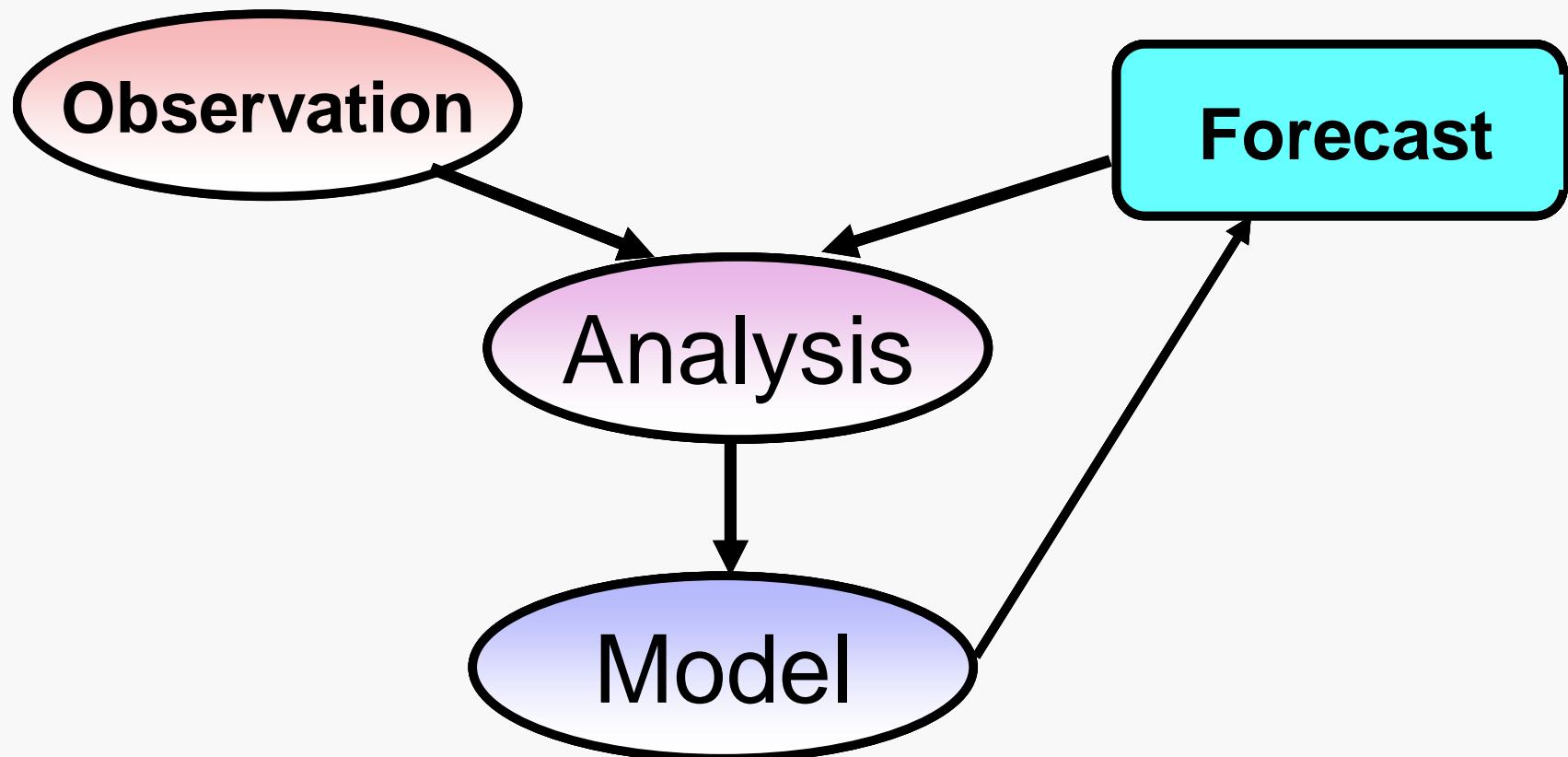


In situ monitoring of water cycle in the MAVEX study area
in Mongolia

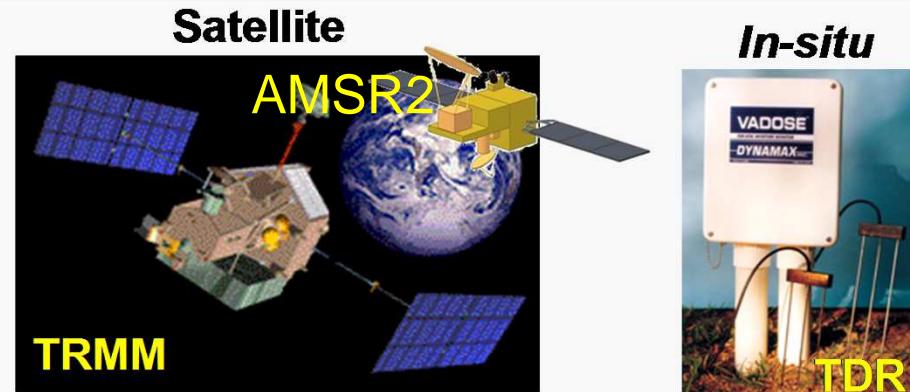


地上検証用土壤水文ステーション (ASSH-T)

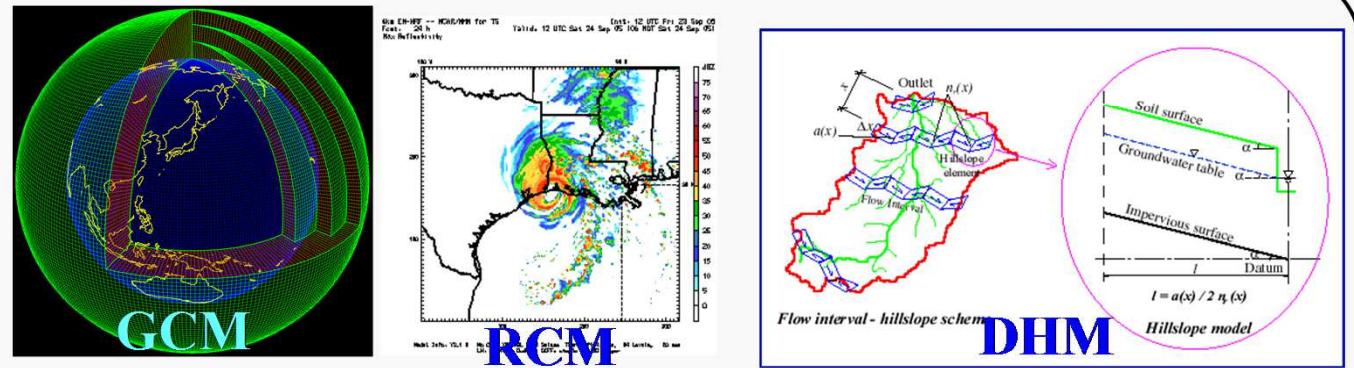
5) Developing an early warning system of drought hazard



Observation



Modeling



6) Workshop and training courses

Asia Drought Workshop 2011 (For APN CAPaBLE project
(CBA2010-14NMY-Kaihotsu)) Tokyo Office of Hiroshima University
(Room 408#, Campus Innovation Center, Shibaura, Tokyo: Jan. 20,
2011

Training courses

- The GEOSS Asian Water Cycle Initiative (AWCI) Training Course for the Climate Change Assessment and Adaptation (CCAA) Study, The University of Tokyo, Hongo Campus, Tokyo, Japan 11 – 12 March 20
- A Training Course on Analysis Techniques for APN/AWCI Drought Studies, Tokyo Office of Hiroshima University Jan. 11 – 12, 2012

Workshop

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Data books of WS and Training Course



Conclusions

- Data bank
- In situ - satellite monitoring and research network of drought
- An early warning system of drought hazards in the countries
- Workshop and training courses for learning the results studied in this project

□ Dr. Rasul Ghulam's APN CAPaBLE project
(2 years: FY 2012-2013) :

“Impact of Climate Change on Glacier Melting and Water Cycle Variability in Asian River Basins”