

An aerial photograph showing a village that has been severely impacted by a disaster, likely a typhoon or storm surge. The water is dark and murky, and the land is covered in a dense layer of debris, including twisted metal, wood, and other household items. Many buildings are partially submerged or completely destroyed, with only their roofs or skeletal remains visible. The overall scene is one of devastation and loss.

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Disaster Risk Management

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OVERVIEW

1. Why is Disaster Risk Management (DRM) relevant to the World Bank?
2. What are key drivers that aggravate the impact of disasters?
3. What is the approach of DRM?
4. How can we boost our efforts on climate change adaptation and resilience?
5. What are key challenges to build resilience systems?
6. What are opportunities to push the envelop on DRM agenda?
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1. Why is Disaster Risk Management (DRM) relevant to the World Bank?

Disasters have had large and long-lasting impacts on poverty



THE WORLD BANK

End Extreme Poverty:
Reduce extreme poverty in the world to less than 3 percent by 2030

Boost Shared Prosperity:
Foster income growth of the bottom 40 percent of the population in each country

Twin Goals present an unprecedented opportunity to end extreme poverty in one generation.

Disasters hurt the poor and vulnerable the most



Villagers in Puri, Odisha, India

They had to leave their houses behind and evacuate to a nearby cyclone shelter.

Cyclone Fani, May 2019

Damyanti Devi, Rudraprayag, Uttarakhand, India

Her house was completely washed away by the landslide.

Cloudburst & Deluge in Uttarakhand, June 2013



Bimala Tamang, Kathmandu, Nepal

Her house was demolished by the earthquake.

Nepal Earthquake, April 2015



Disasters can ravage a country's development gains instantly



Ranks among the top five countries which have been hit by the most number of natural disasters in the last decade



Lost \$80 Billion to Natural Disasters in last two decades



Between 2000 to 2017, more than 300 natural disasters - 76,031 deaths



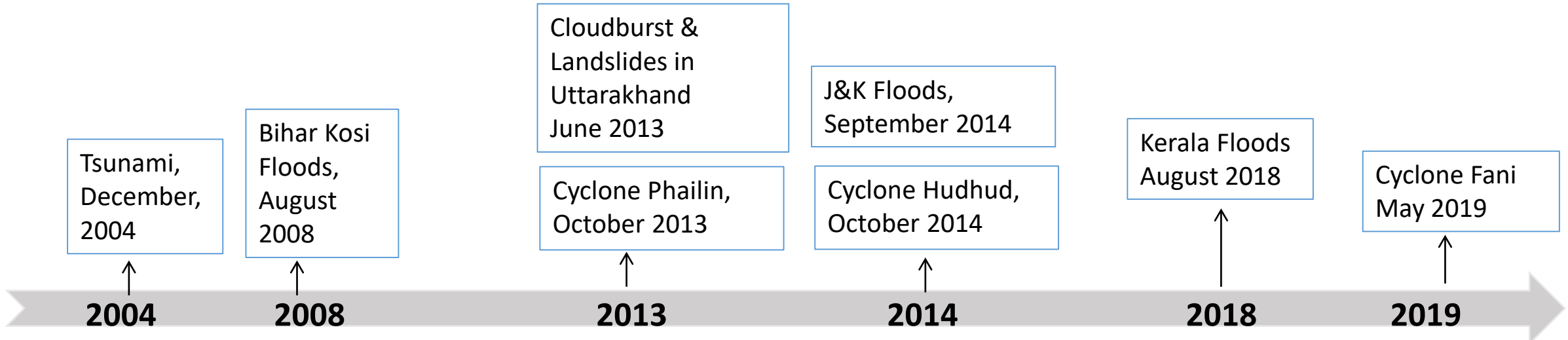
Top 10 countries known for fatal landslides triggered by human activity are located in Asia. India accounts for 20% of these incidents.



Monsoon Floods in 2017 & 2018 killed more than 1,000 people each across 7 states



Around 59% of the land area is vulnerable to moderate or severe seismic hazard





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Ranks among the top five countries at risk of disaster, according to the World Risk Report 2016.



Damage is more than \$2 Billion from two cyclones (Sidr in 2007 and Aila in 2009) in recent years



Cyclones, associated storm surges and floods have led to almost all the nearly 520,000 natural disaster deaths recorded over the past 40 years.



Experienced at least 465 earthquakes of minor-to-moderate magnitudes between 1971 and 2006. 26 percent of the country is high risk.



Up to 57.6% of the total country was flooded and nearly 38 floods incidents occurred during 1954 to 2007.



Landslides; comparatively a new phenomena in the country. The south-east and south-west part are most vulnerable.

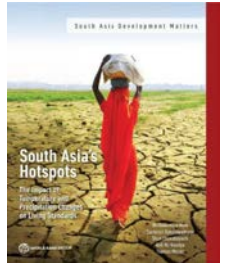
Disaster impact at the regional level varies depending on the vulnerability profile

South Asia

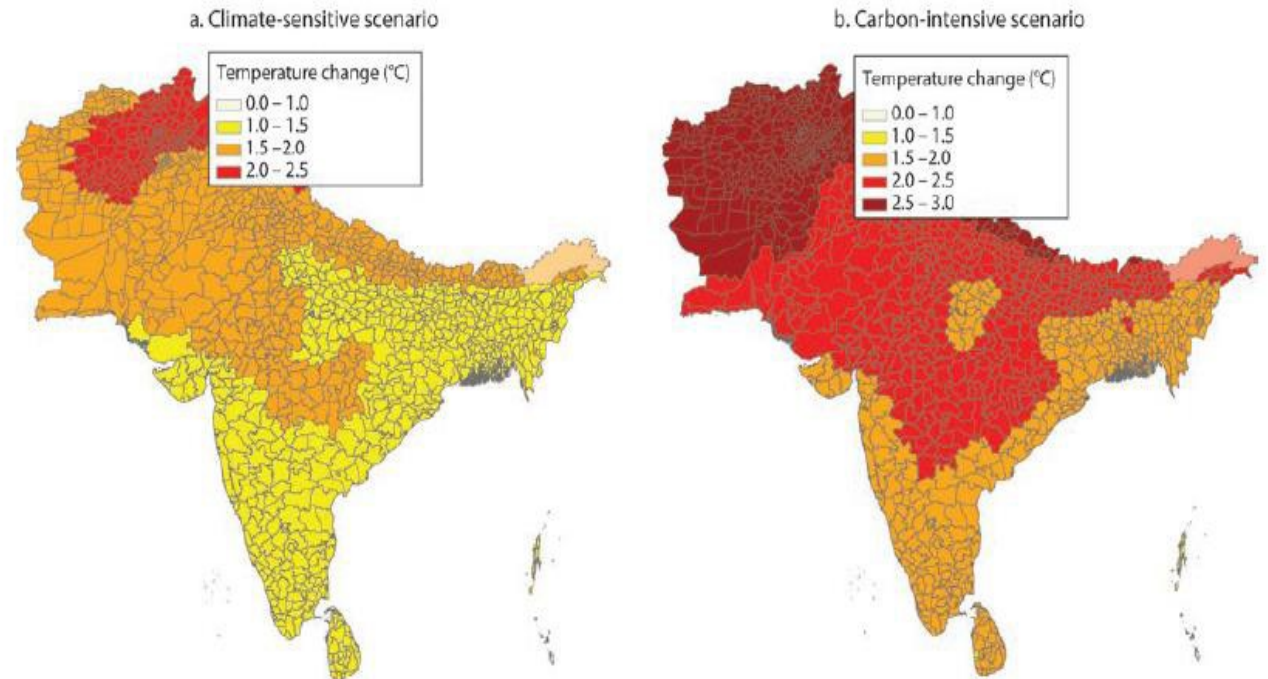


- Faced with a range of natural hazards: floods, droughts, cyclones, earthquakes, landslides, tsunamis and sea-level rise.
- More than 800 million people – almost half of South Asia’s population – currently live in areas that are projected to become moderate to severe climate hotspots by 2050 under the carbon-intensive scenario.

South Asia Climate Hotspots



MAP 0.2 Annual Average Temperatures Increase by 2050 Relative to 1981–2010



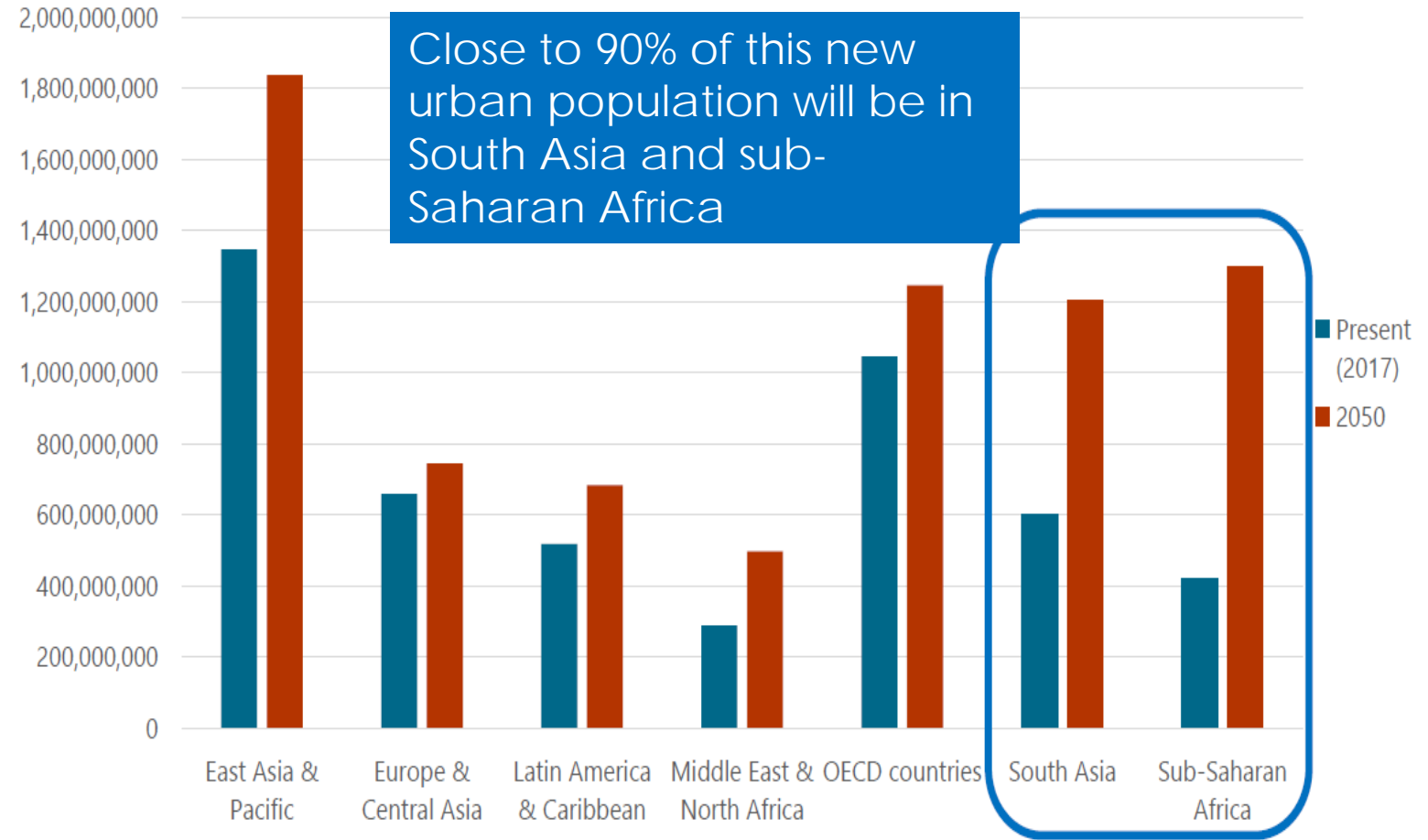
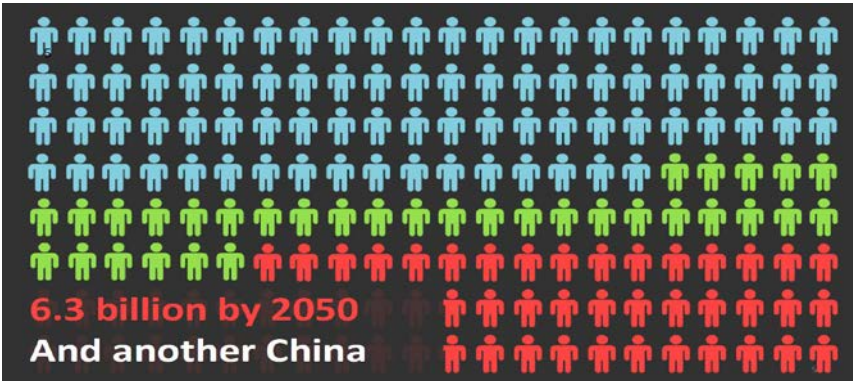
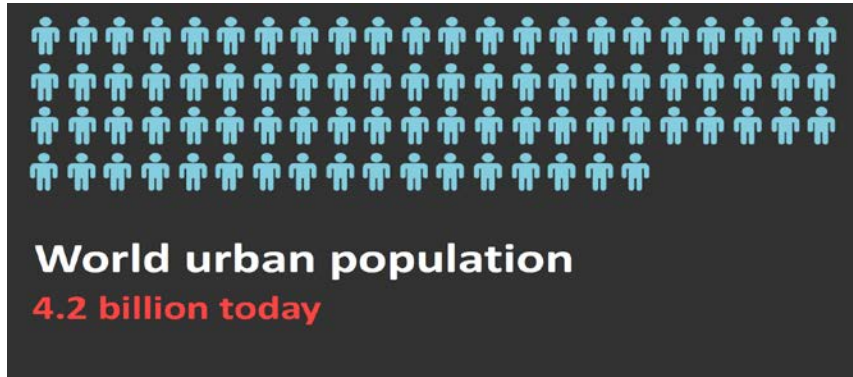
Source: Mani et al. 2018.

Note: Changes are for 2036 through 2065 relative to averages for 1981 through 2010.

A photograph of a city street corner. On the left is a modern, multi-story building with a grid-like facade. In the center is a large building under construction, heavily encased in scaffolding and steel beams, with a crane visible on top. The ground floor of this building features car dealerships for 'Japan Motors', 'NISSAN', and 'Ecobank'. In the foreground, there is a busy street with traffic, including a white SUV, a red car, and a blue and yellow taxi. A yellow excavator and a red tractor are parked on the right side of the street. The sky is overcast.

2. What are key drivers that aggravate the impact of disasters?

Rapid and unplanned urbanization & urban population growth



To safeguard development gains, cities must invest in resilience

Cities are engines of growth, and key to alleviating poverty

Cities are key to:



55% of the global population lives in cities.

...but those cities are responsible for more than **80%** of global GDP

Growing cities face growing risks

By 2030...

Weather-related and other disasters will cost cities more than \$314 billion (more than the GDP of South Africa) every year, threatening urban residents' homes, health, and livelihoods. Climate change may force up to

77,000,000 urban residents back into poverty.

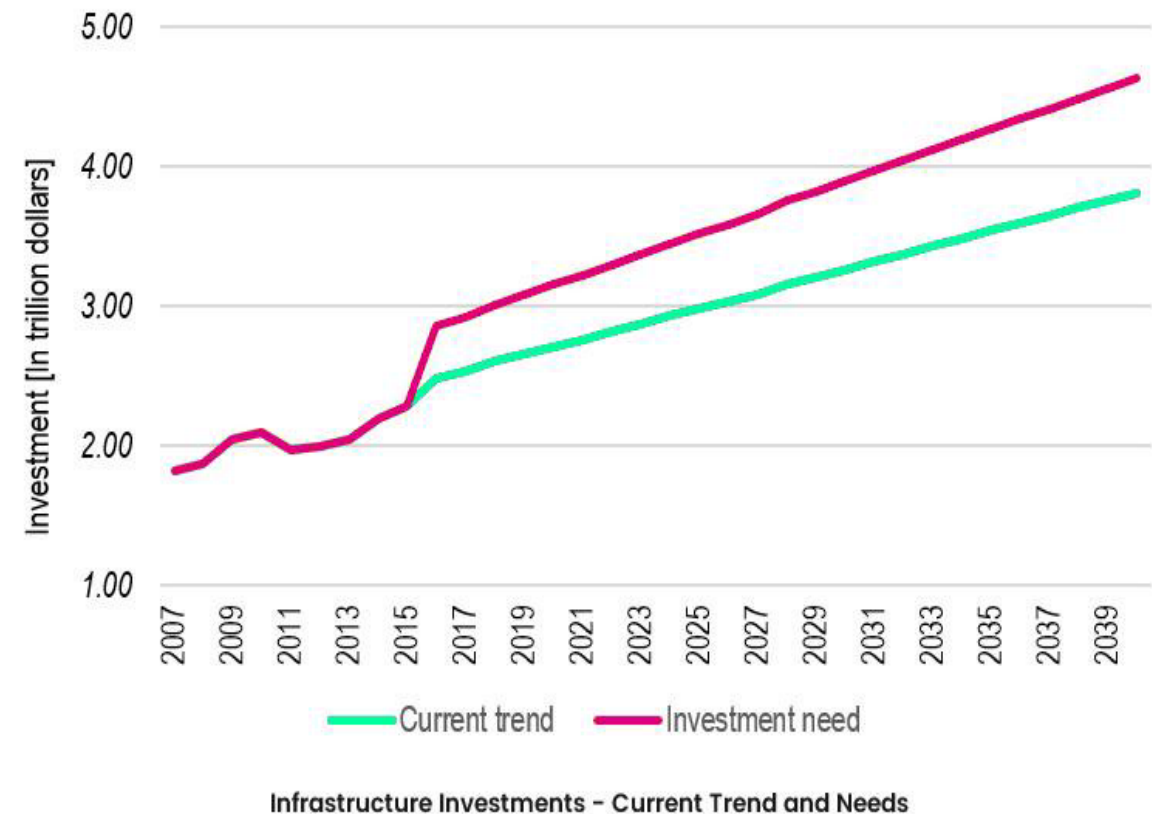
Investing in urban resilience requires overcome 4 key barriers

We need to help cities in the developing world overcome the four major obstacles to investment in resilience.

- Lack of government capacity
- Lack of private sector confidence
- Challenges in project preparation
- Financing challenges

...socioeconomic conditions, environmental degradation, climate change are increasing the exposure to and risk from natural hazards and resulting in more frequent, intense, and costly disasters.

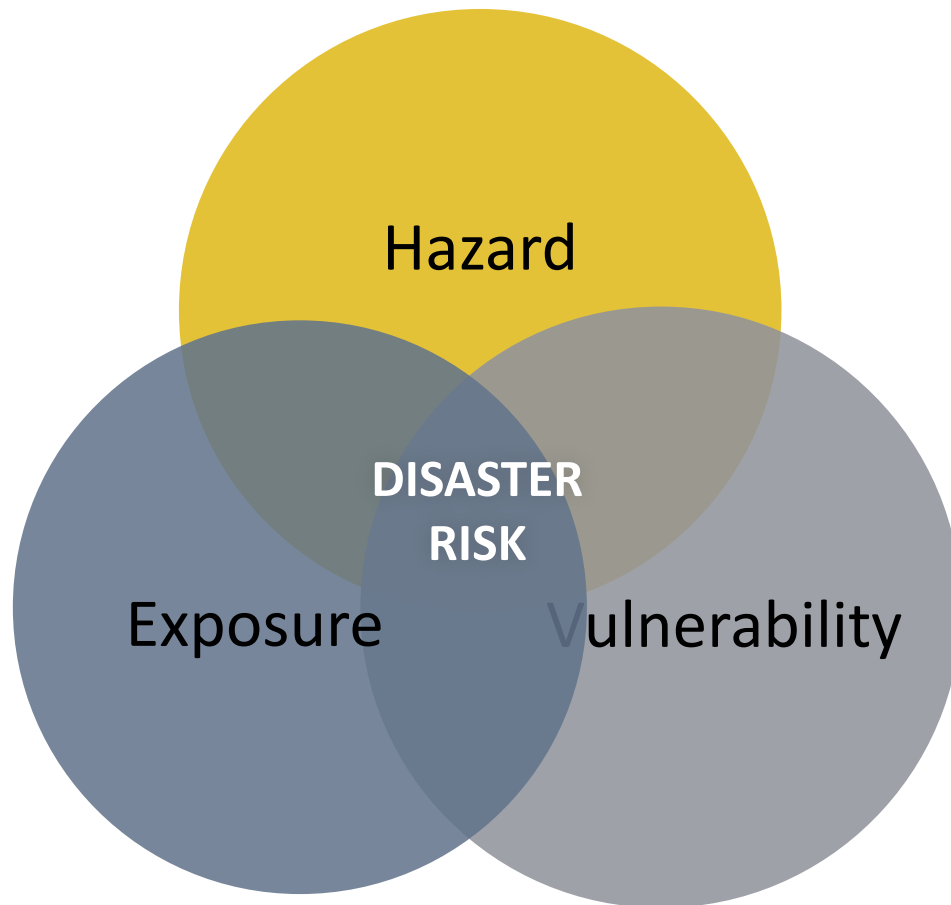
- Over the next 20 years, humans will build more infrastructure than the last 2,000 – locking in either risk or resilience for future generations.
- With almost 60% of the places that will be urbanized by 2030 yet to be built, there is no better time than now to invest in resilience.
- By 2030, without investment into making cities more resilient, natural disasters may cost cities worldwide approximately \$300 billion each year.



A photograph of a village on a hillside, viewed through a blue metal fence. In the foreground, several blue tents are set up on a dirt clearing. In the background, there are traditional houses with corrugated metal roofs and lush green trees. The scene is framed by a blue metal fence in the foreground.

3. What is the approach of DRM?

Drivers of disaster risks



HAZARD

Population pressures and poor natural resource management, such as uncontrolled deforestation and urban expansion, create environmental stress that can lead to more floods, landslides, and other hazards. Hydro-meteorological hazards are also likely to increase due to climate change.

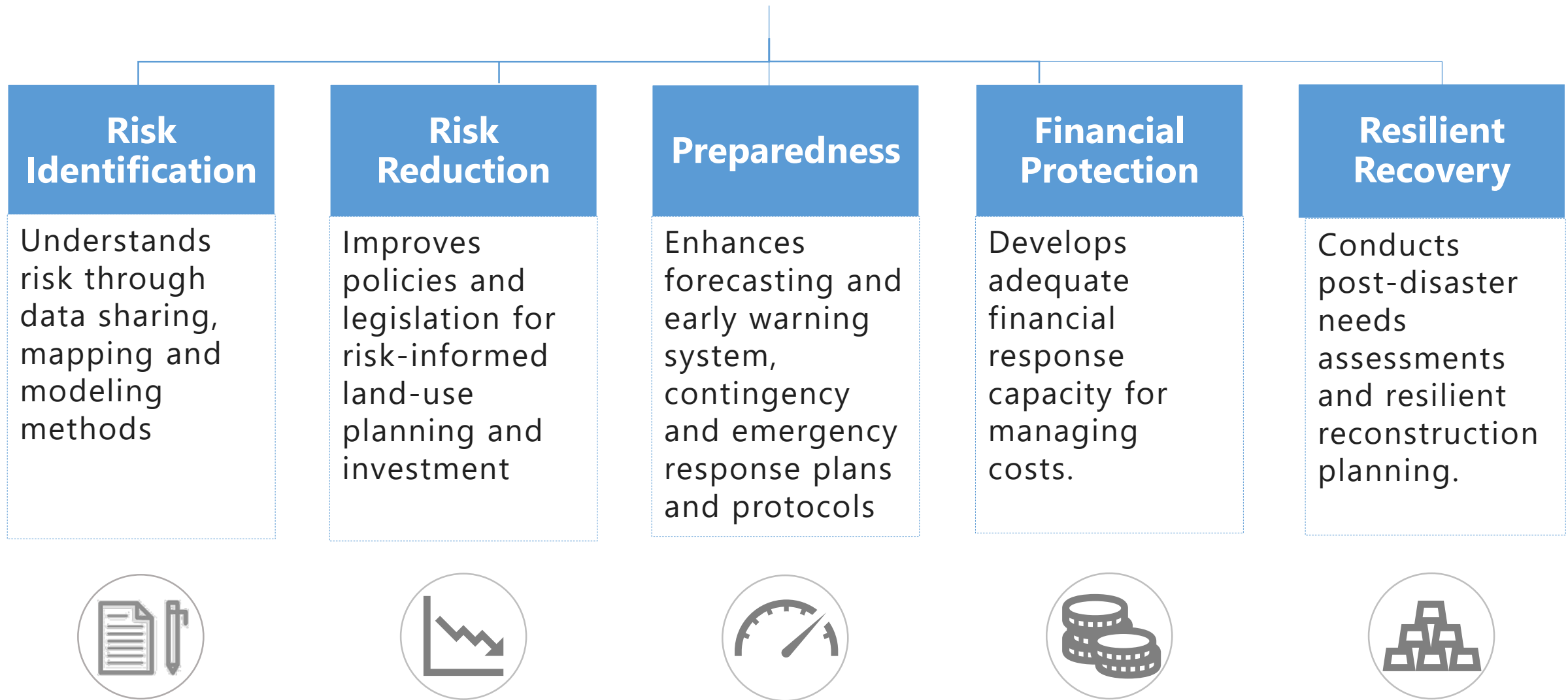
EXPOSURE

Population and economic growth have been the main drivers for increasing exposure of people and assets, pushing up the potential for loss every day.

VULNERABILITY

Although it is difficult to measure how vulnerability is changing globally, it is clear that the poorest in society are more vulnerable to unplanned development.

DRM Approach



Risk Identification



EXAMPLES

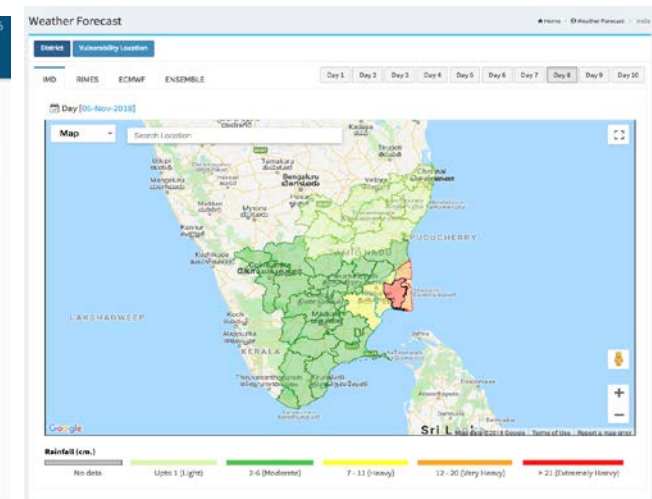
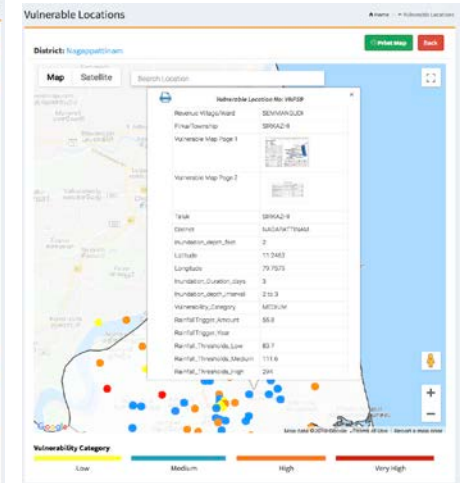
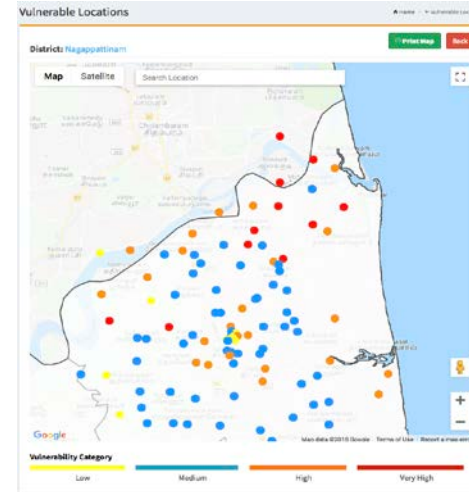
- India: Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Coastal Disaster Risk Reduction Project

TNSMART
Tamil Nadu System for Multi-hazard Potential Impact Assessment, Alert, Emergency Response Planning and Tracking

Descriptive Analytics (understand risk)

Predictive Analytics (model risk)

Prescriptive Analytics (Impact forecast and management)



Risk Reduction



EXAMPLES

- **India:** Uttarakhand Disaster Recovery Project

Strengthening of the Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority (USDMA):
Developing the institutional set up & capacity development of the USDMA to influence policies and legislations on DRM



For officers of Incident Response System

- Magnitude of the hazard and its likely impacts
- Likely affected villages and population
- Dos and Don'ts



Preparedness

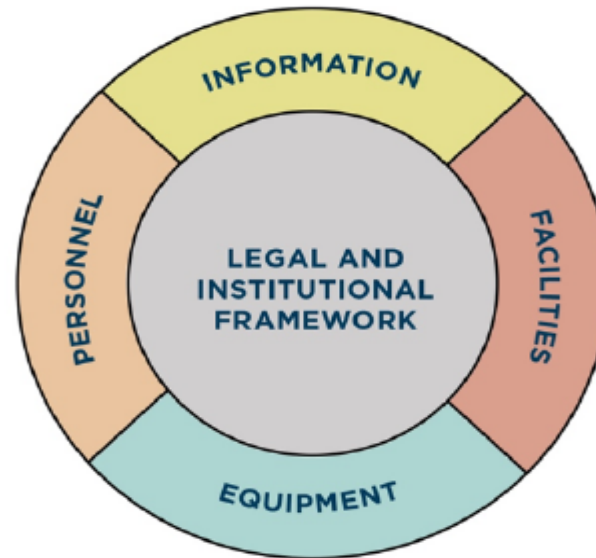


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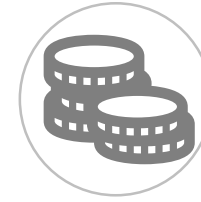
- **India:** Early warning system, contingency and emergency response plans and protocols development in several projects
- **Bangladesh:** Multi-purpose Disaster Shelter Project



Emergency Preparedness and Response System Key Elements

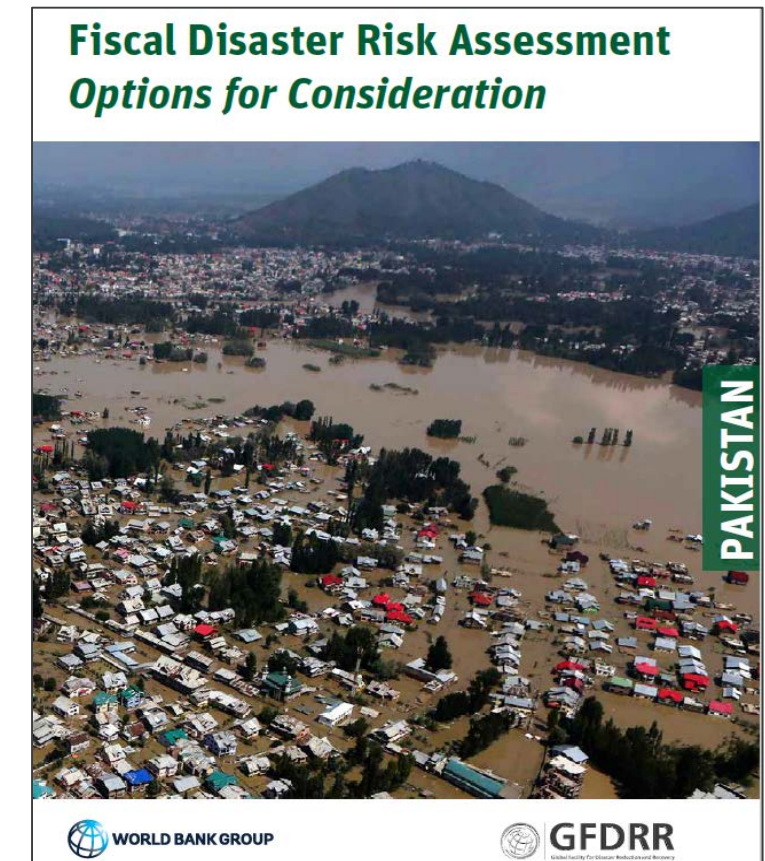
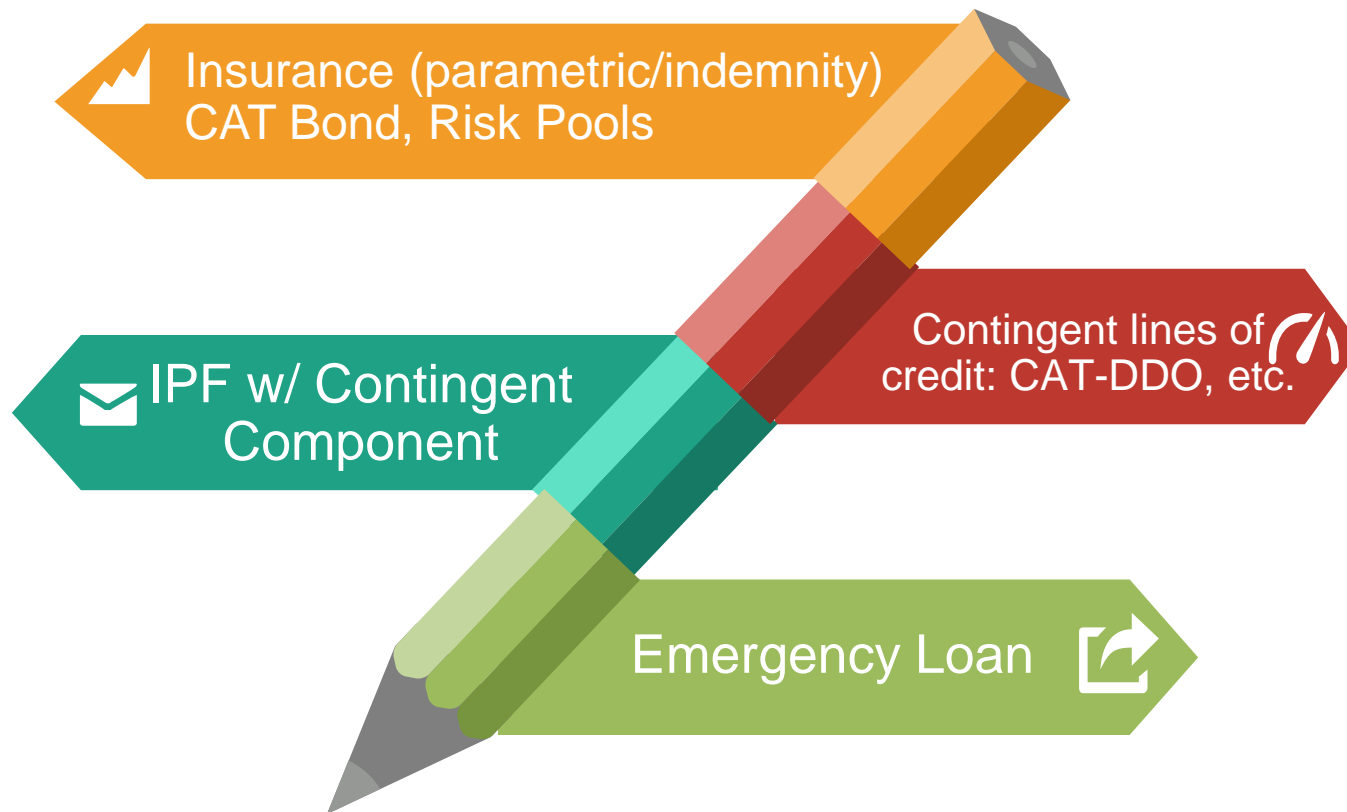


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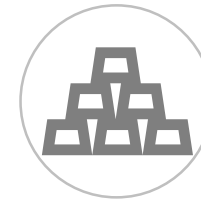


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- **Pakistan, Nepal and Maldives:** Catastrophe Deferred Drawdown (Cat DDO)
- **Pakistan:** Fiscal Disaster Risk Assessment Options for Consideration



Resilient Recovery



EXAMPLES

- **Nepal:** Safer housing reconstruction at scale
- **India:** Several post-disaster reconstruction projects to strengthen resilience to disaster risk

NEPAL
HOUSING
RECONSTRUCTION



ANDHRA PRADESH
UNDERGROUND
CABLING



UTTARAKHAND
RESILIENT
HOUSING





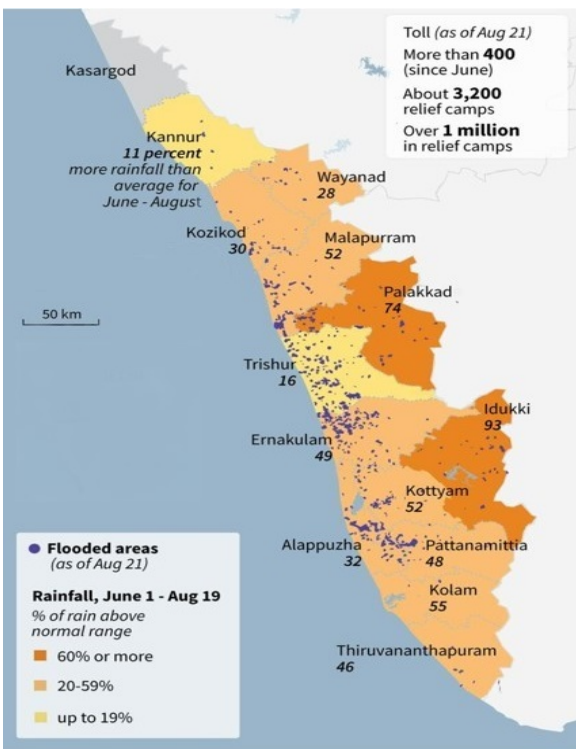
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India: Resilient Kerala Initiative

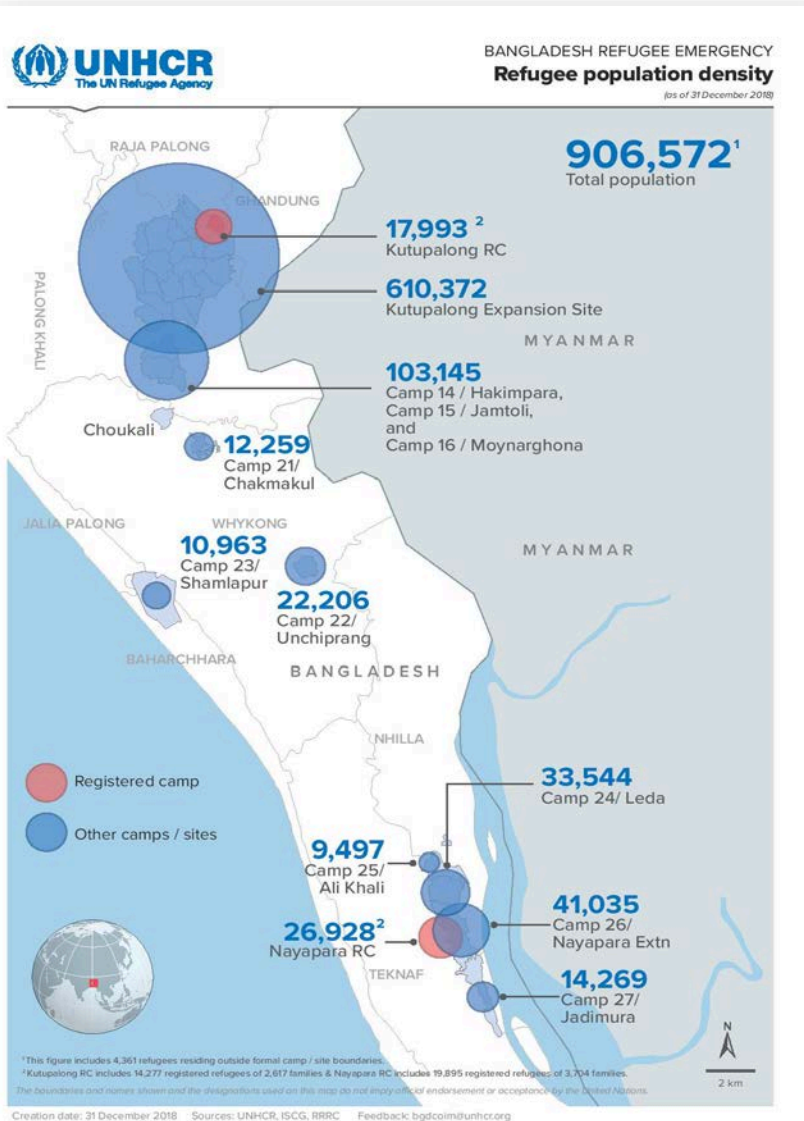
Example of work which concurrently addresses disaster risk and the impact of climate change to deliver both immediate and longer term development gains across different sectors through forming State Partnership



Rebuild Kerala Initiative (RKI)



Bangladesh: Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project



Example of work at the intersection of fragility, DRM, resilience and climate change adaptation

- Around 900,000 Rohingya living in makeshift shelters in congested camps in former forest areas.
- Almost all daily needs are covered by humanitarian agencies.
- Area highly prone to disasters: floods and landslides during monsoon (June-Oct) and cyclones (May and November).

Sample from Kutupalong Camp Buildup



Sri Lanka: Climate Resilience Multi-Programmatic Approach

Example of work which concurrently addresses disaster risk and the impact of climate change to deliver both immediate and longer term development gains in phased approach




- Major flood infrastructure under Phase I is flood embankment.
- Prepare multiple embankment designs to minimize the land acquisition and secure space for community space and natural water retention space where possible.
- Embankments will be designed to ensure people's connection to the river while increasing the safety of citizen.

Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)

Example of a multi-national collation on resilience, DRM, climate change adaptation with a focus on resilience infrastructure

- At the 2016 Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR), the Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that India would work with other countries and the UN to form a coalition on disaster resilient infrastructure (CDRI).
- India has pledged \$70 million for establishing the CDRI with participation of 33 countries, MDBs and UN.
- Italy, UK, Australia, South Africa and European Union have agreed to co-finance.
- The Coalition to be launched at the UN Climate Summit in September 2019.



An aerial photograph of a dense urban area, likely a city center, showing a mix of high-rise buildings and lower-density residential areas. A large white bracket is superimposed over the center of the image, framing the text.

5. What are key challenges to build resilience systems?



Definition of Resilience System

- Resilience equals the ability of people, communities, governments and systems to withstand the impacts of negative events and to continue to grow despite them.
- “Resilience” appears on every other page and is lauded at events as the focus for all. There are competing definitions.



6. What are opportunities to push the envelop on DRM agenda?

Disruptive technologies applications to DRM: Drone Technology

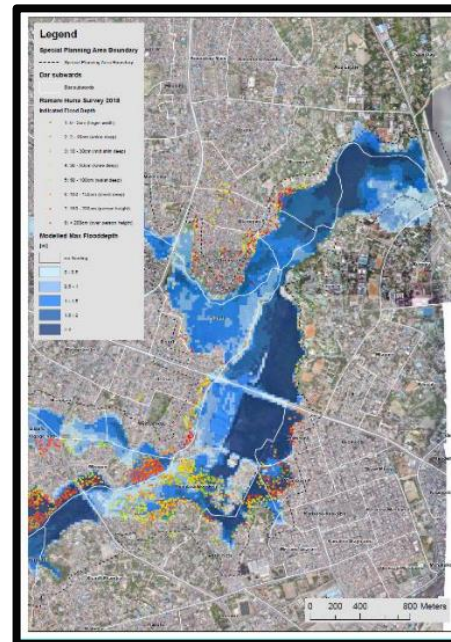


Drone Technology



Msimbazi River Basin, Tanzania

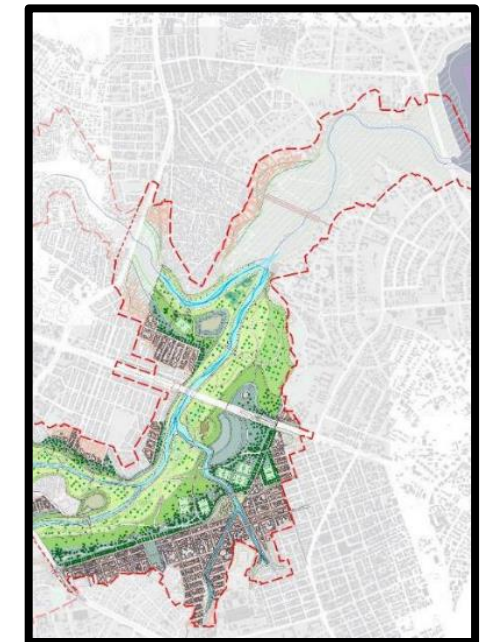
1 Flood Data



2 Household feedback



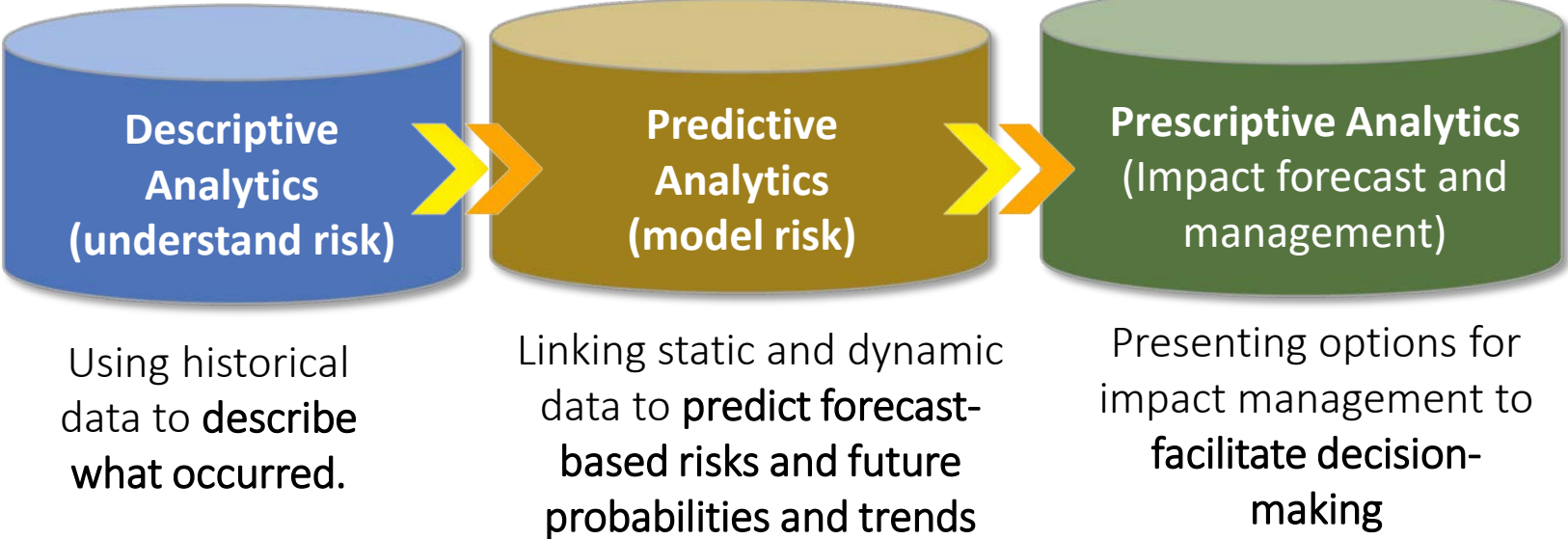
3 Participatory design



Disruptive technologies applications to DRM: Predictive Analytics



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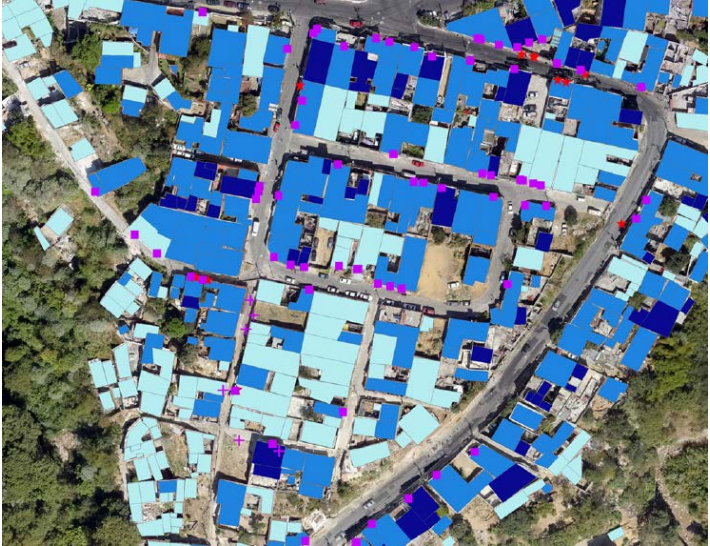


Disruptive technologies applications to DRM: Predictive Analytics + Drone Technology

Predictive Analytics

- Single Story
- Two Story
- >Two Stories

- One Story (<3m).
- Two Story (3-7m).
- More than Two Stories (>7m).



Drone Slope Average Slope

- Less than 10 degrees.
- 10-15 degrees.
- 15-20 degrees.
- Over 25 degrees.



Disruptive technologies applications to DRM: Social Media & Big Data Analysis



The collage features several social media posts:

- Top Left:** A video snippet showing a woman in a red patterned shirt speaking, with a caption "Kampung Pulo Terendam Banjir".
- Top Right:** A photo of a flooded street with a person in the distance. Source: Beritaku.TV (@beritakuTV), "Kampung Pulo Jakarta banjir dlvr.it/8n5QfW", 10:28 AM - 1 Mar 2015.
- Middle Right:** A photo of a flooded alleyway. Source: Taufiq A. Pratama (@Opicshly), "#petajkt #Banjir ± 50cm-60cm dijalan kebantenan 4 RT10 RW04 Cilincing Jakarta Utara", 1:13 PM - 11 Feb 2015.
- Center:** A photo of a flooded area with a person wading. Source: Majalah Tempo (@tempo_majalah), "Kampung Pulo Banjir Lagi dlvr.it/8n7Y5j", 12:18 PM - 1 Mar 2015.
- Bottom Center:** A photo of a flooded area. Source: "at ini", "di perumahan Kp. Pulo Kp. Melayu jakrta timur.", 7:31 AM - 1 Mar 2015, 9 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES.
- Bottom Right:** A photo of people wading through floodwaters. Source: Liputan6.com (@liputan6dotcom), "Banjir Kiriman, Kampung Pulo Kembali Terendam bit.ly/1LZWzyl", 1:30 PM - 1 Mar 2015, 8 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES.

An aerial photograph of a densely packed urban area, likely a city in South Asia. The buildings are multi-story and closely packed together. In the foreground, there are several buildings that appear to be under construction or in a state of significant damage, with exposed steel frames and debris. The rest of the city extends to the horizon, showing a vast expanse of similar dense housing. The sky is overcast and hazy.

Using crisis/disaster
as an opportunity to
do better
development

A high-angle photograph of a meeting room. In the center, a large map is spread out on a table. Several people are gathered around the table, looking at the map. One person is pointing at a specific area on the map. To the right, a laptop is open on the table, and another person is looking at the screen. The room is dimly lit, and the overall atmosphere is one of collaborative work.

7. Questions for Discussion

Explore Ideas

- How is DRM relevant to my study/research/organization?
- What are some ways we can collaborate?

Food for thought

- What are the most critical actions that we must take to ensure a resilient future effectively?

Working in DRM

- What is the biggest joy & challenge in working in the field?

Take-aways & Resources

- What is the best resource for people who want to dive in deeper?

THANK
YOU!