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Satellite Technology Contributing to Integrated Water and Disaster Management

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Importance of satellite data







Observed records show that water related disasters (i.e. floods and droughts) are on increasing trend, particularly the lower-middle-income countries becoming more vulnerable

Global warming is accelerating these disasters thus imposing threats on sustainable development. Sendai Framework was famulated to guide Disaster Risk Reduction (DDR) efforts to reduce risk & losses.



Limited observations

GPCC Monitoring Product Gauge-Based Analysis 1.0 degree number of stations per grid for May 2012



Challenging issue is very limited data to monitor and forecast the information on water thereby hampering the efforts for implementing DRR and sustainable development goals (SDGs).

Availability of global satellite data is a viable solution to develop an affordable and proactive IWRM plans and disaster mitigation measures. SF addresses use of satellite data in priority actions

Three Pillars of ICHARM Activities



- UNESCO-IHP International Flood Initiative (IFI)
- UN agencies (WMO, UNDRR....)
- Typhoon Committee
- Governments, NGOs, Academia etc.







A System for Integrated Water Resources and Disaster Management



- Paris agreement
- SDGs

Hazard maps, Disaster Early warning, Assessment of Risk and Damages

Review of irrigation practices, adaptability measures, and impacts on economy



Flood Hazard Monitoring System in Philippines



Flood Hazard Monitoring System in Niger and Volta River Basin in West-Africa





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Thank you for your kind attention !!!

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Discussion

- Remarkable progress was made in improving the quality and quantity of satellite estimates
- ✤ TRMM (1997) 1st dedicated satellite
- GPM core satellite (2014) and constellation Carries advanced sensors
- Provide next-generation global rain as well as snow observations
- ACCP Mission Aerosol and Cloud, Convection and Precipitation – Very important and timely
- Understanding the process of clouds and rainfall is very important for accurate rainfall estimates, forecast and flow and crop related estimation.
- ACCP mission will advance the precipitation estimates by understanding the linkage among Aerosol, Cloud, Convection, and Precipitation.



