

# Participatory Flood Preparedness and Management Measures in Afghanistan

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#### Introduction

- Subduction of Indian Plate under the Eurasian Plate.
- Hindukush mountains series is raised by Himalayan orogeny.

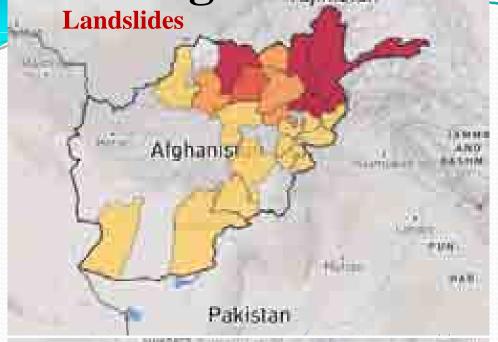


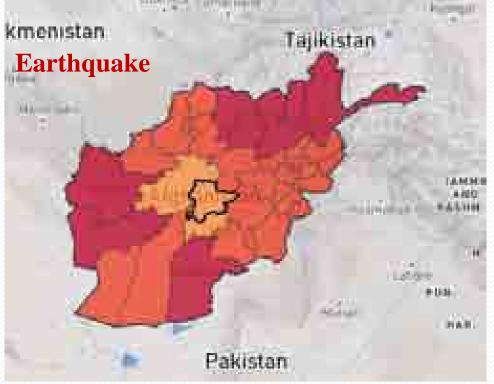
Natural Hazards, such as Flooding, Earthquakes, Avalanches, Landslides and Droughts are the major natural disasters cause Vulnerability and Poverty in Afghanistan.

Since 1980, disasters caused by natural hazards have affected 9 million people and causes 200000 fatalities.

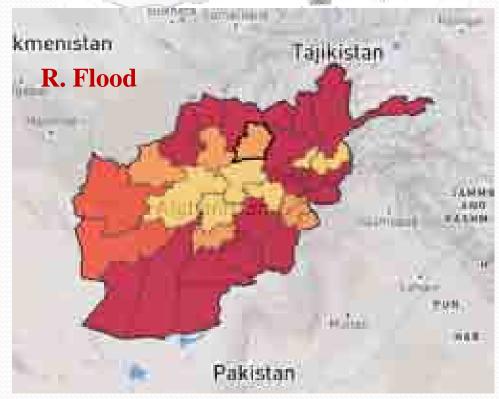
- Flood: Flooding is the most frequent natural hazards causing average USD 54 Million damages and 100000 people affected annually.
- Earthquake: Since 1980 more than 10000 people are have been killed due to earthquakes.
- Drought: USD 280 million agriculture damages annually since 2000, 6.5 million people are affected.
- Landslide: Over USD 6 billion worth assets and 3 million people are exposed to Landslides. 400 schools and 300 health centers.
- Avalanche: 2 million people, 4 billion assets and over 10000km roads are exposed to avalanches. From 2000 to 2015 over 153000 people were affected by avalanches. (World Bank, 2017)

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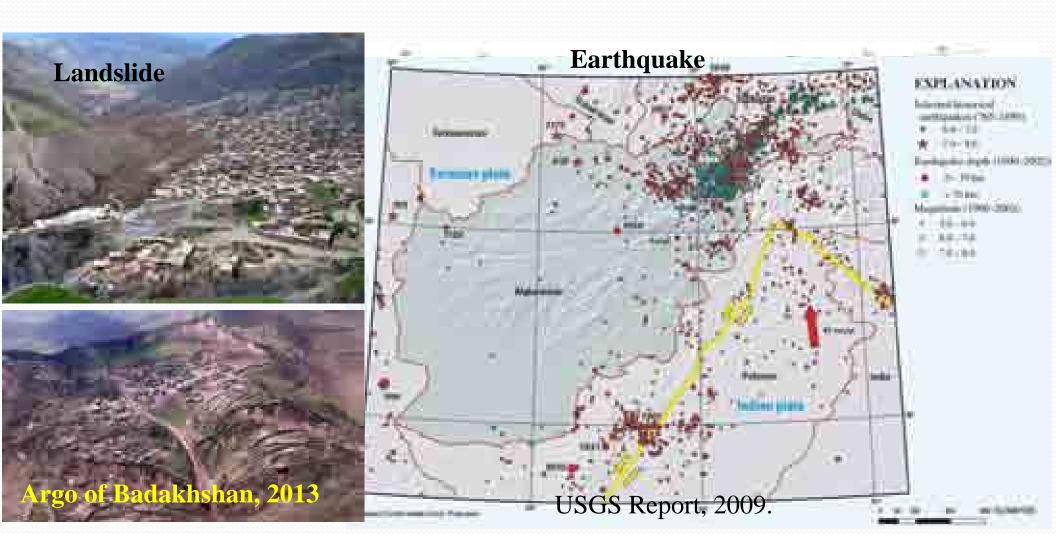




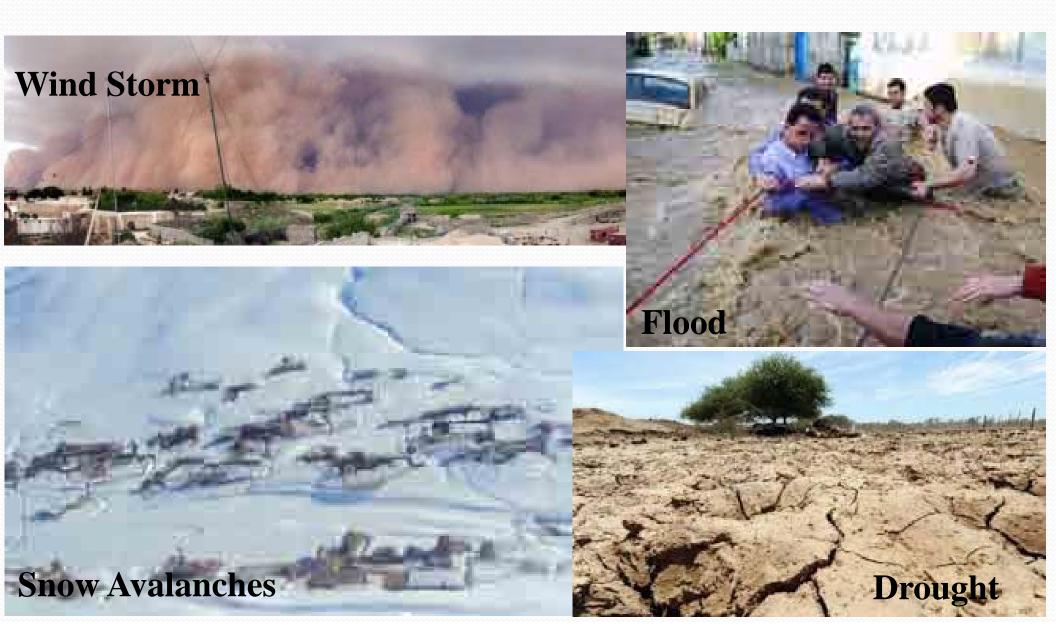


#### **Geological Disasters**

Earthquake is one of the major disaster it is due to Himalayan young Orogeny.



**Hydrometeorological Hazards** 



#### **Climate Change Induced Disasters**

• Afghanistan is a low emission country not has role in climate change however adversely affected by climate change impacts (INDC, COP21, 2015).

Afghanistan is from LDC.

#### **Impacts**

- **❖** Temperature Rise
- Livelihoods
- Food Security
- Drought
- Floods
- Desertification

#### **Natural Resources**

- Water Resources
- Irrigation and Agriculture
- Ecosystem

#### **Future of Climate Change in Afghanistan**

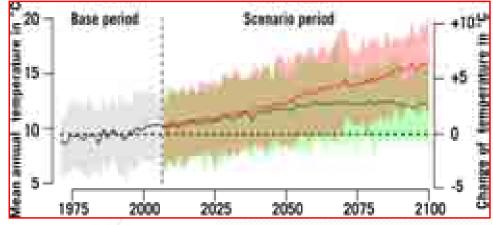
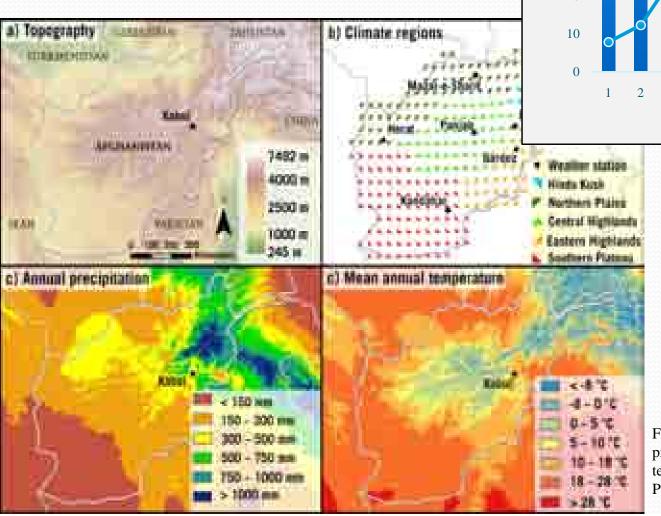
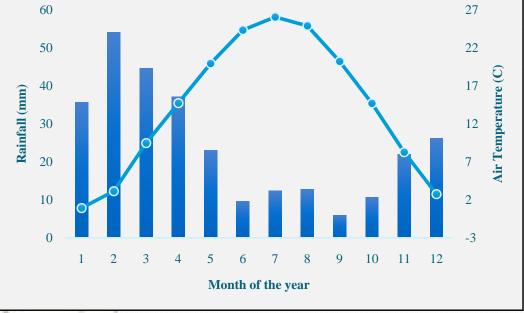


Figure: Temperature projections for Afghanistan until the end of this century (Aich, et al., 2017).

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**Afghanistan Climate** 



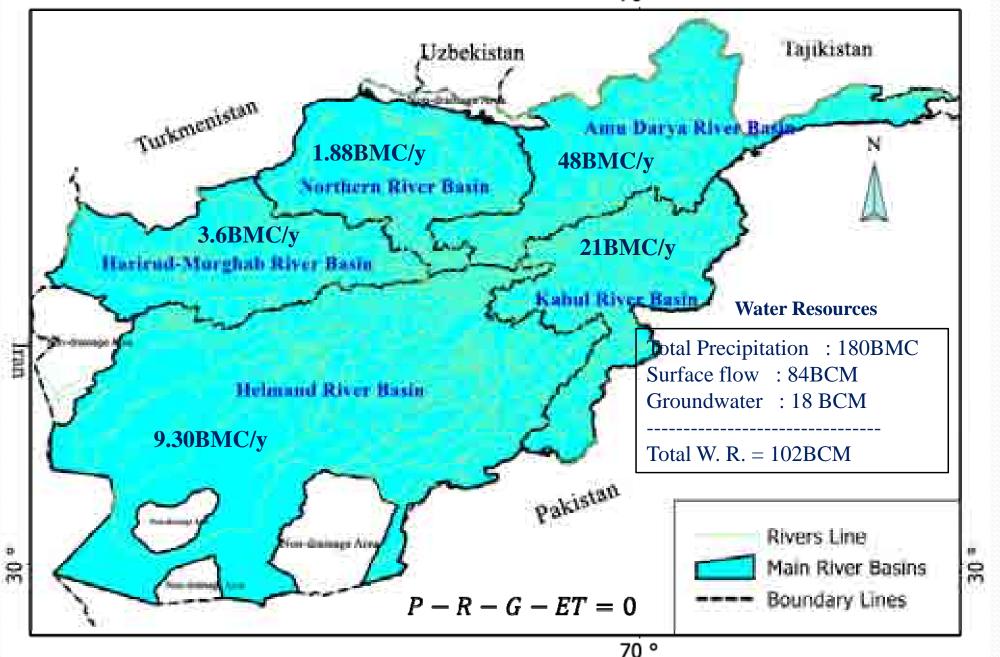


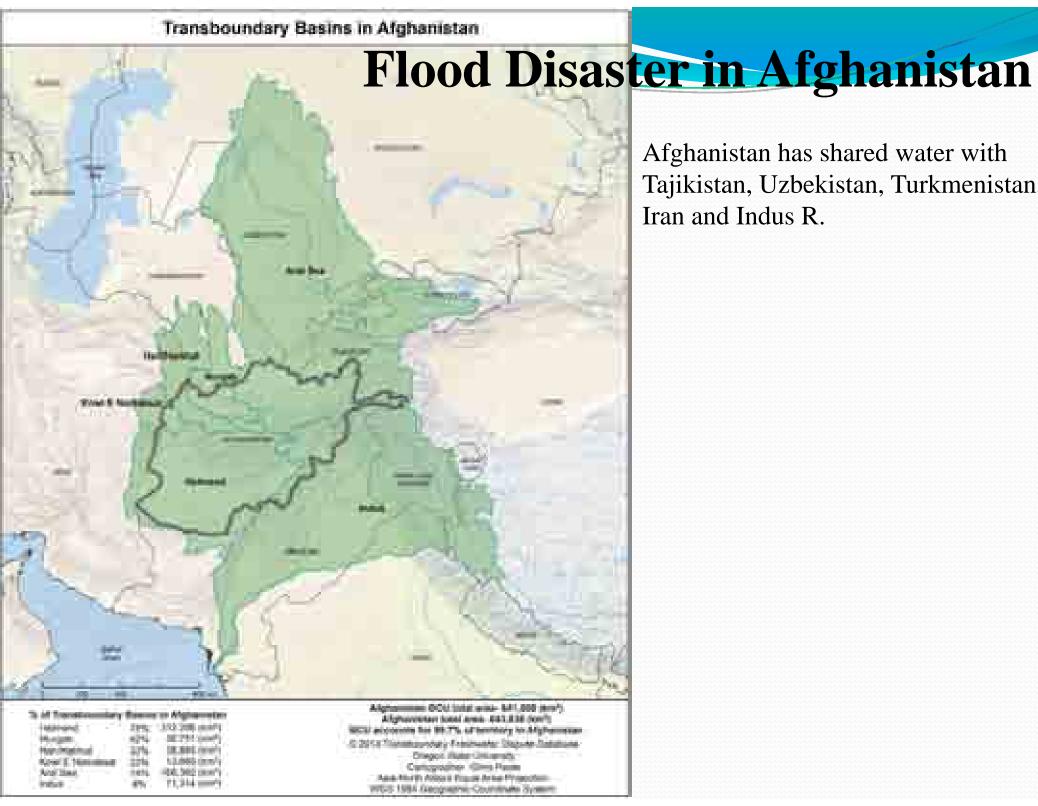
Annual average temperature and precipitation

Figure: a) Topography (a), b) Climatic regions, c) Annual precipitation for the period 1960–1990, d) Mean annual temperature for the period 1960–1990 (Climate 2016, 4, for Peer review).

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#### Afghanistan River Basins and Water Resources





Afghanistan has shared water with Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Iran and Indus R.

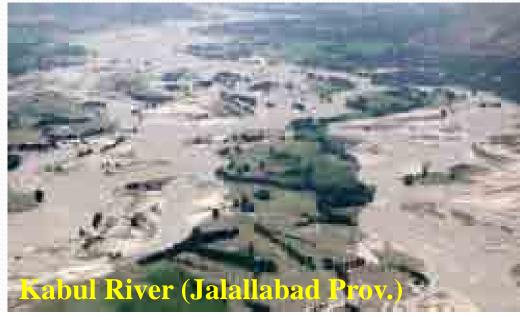
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**Disasters Impacts** 









### Flood Disaster Vulnerability

#### Vulnerability

#### Main cases of flood vulnerability

- \* Living and construct building near and inside of floodplain.
- **A Lack public awareness.**
- \* Lack of Early Warning System.
- **\*** Weak preparedness and response.
- \* Lack of national disaster management plan and budget.







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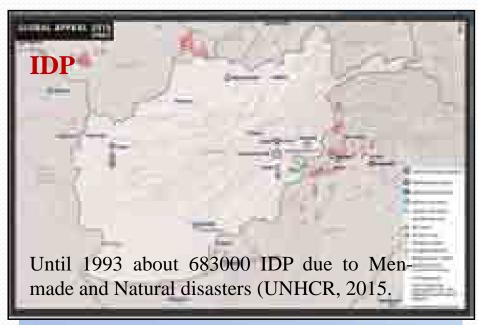
#### Flood Disasters Impacts and Vulnerability

Since 1980s about 5.7 million peoples are affected by floods (ANDMA, 2013).

Lack of Land use management.







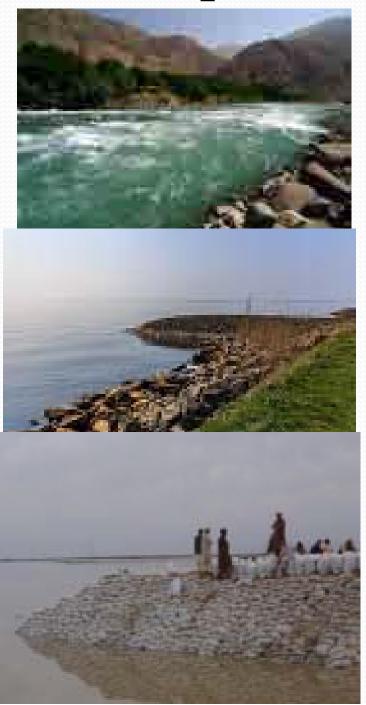


#### **Traditional Techniques**

- □ Soil Dams
- ☐ Artificial Levees
- ☐ Embankments on the rivers banks
- ☐Wing Dykes
- Afforestation and floodplain zoning.

Most of these techniques are implemented

through community cooperation.



#### **Traditional Techniques:**

#### **Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRM)**



- CBDRM is a holistic approach links among vulnerability, poverty and socioeconomic development.
- CBDRM approach seeks to build on existing community coping mechanisms and adaptation capacities.
- People are at the heart of decision making and implementation of disaster risk management activities.
- It is about listening to people.
- Empowerment CDCs.







#### **Advanced Techniques**

- 1. Engineering Measure
- 2. Ecosystem Based DRM

Advanced engineering techniques, as RCC dams, retaining walls, gabions, channel straightening and river restoration.

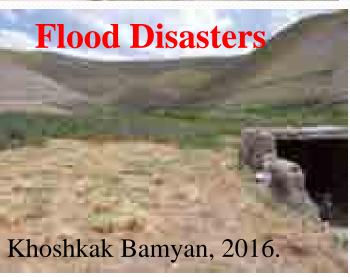




#### 2. Ecosystem Based DRM

Surface water resources management, Forestation and Ecosystem development.







# Disaster Management Agencies

#### **Agencies in Disaster Management**

In 1971 a Department of Disaster Preparedness (DDP) was established then in 2006, DDP was integrated to Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA).

#### **DRR** ruling in Afghanistan

- The Presidential Decree No. 1089-10.07.1391 (2012), stating the Disaster management law in the country which indicates the roles and responsibilities of each government entities.
- Chair by NDMC (National Disaster Management Commission) and the Secretariat is on the State Ministry for Disaster Management (SMDM).
- With support of other national and international partner organizations.

Currently ANDMA involves mostly in Response.

# **Conclusions and Recommendation**

- \* Afghanistan is prone to intense and recurring natural hazards, including earthquakes. Floods, Flash Flood, Landslides, Avalanches, Droughts and Man-made Disasters.
- ❖ Disaster management through CBDRM, Eco-DRR and Structural Measures.
- \* Climate mitigation and adaptation (Structural measure, Eco-CCA, sustainable energy use and forestation).
- ❖ Setup EWS.
- ❖ Institutional strengthen.
- \* Fostering regional cooperation (Knowledge sharing, capacity building, partnership, policy & investment advice, etc).
- ❖ Security.

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