

Disaster Damage and Loss Information System

Based on DesInventar Sendai

Training workshop in Disaster Loss Databases and Sendai Framework Monitoring

Gandhinagar, Gujarat 13-15th November







Disaster Loss Databases for enhanced risk understanding

Session 2. Afternoon 13rd 15:30 - 16:30

Session Outline

- 1) Sendai Framework Priority I (understanding risk) and risk-informed development
- 2) Disaster loss databases contribution to risk understanding
- 3) Risk knowledge for risk-informed development: past losses, key to understand disaster risks.
- 4) Current applications of Disaster Data:
- Global examples
- Initiatives in India



Sendai Framework Priorities



- Priority 1: Understanding disaster risk.
- Priority 2: Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk.
- Priority 3: Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience.
- Priority 4: Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response, and to "Build back better" in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction.

Priority 1: Understanding Disaster Risk

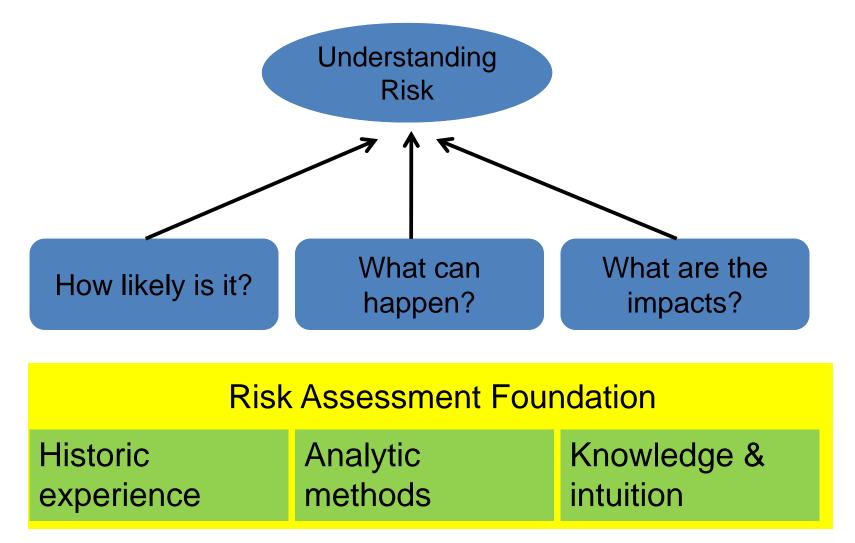
To achieve this, it is important to:

- (a) Promote the **collection**, **analysis**, **management** and **use** of **relevant data** and practical information. Ensure its dissemination, taking into account the needs of different categories of users
- (b) To encourage the use of and strengthening of baselines and periodically assess disaster risks, vulnerability, capacity, exposure, hazard characteristics and their possible sequential effects at the relevant social and spatial scale on ecosystems, in line with national circumstances;

(d) Systematically evaluate, record, share and publicly account for disaster losses and understand the economic, social, health, education, environmental and cultural heritage impacts, as appropriate, in the context of event-specific hazard, exposure and vulnerability information.



How to Understand Risk?

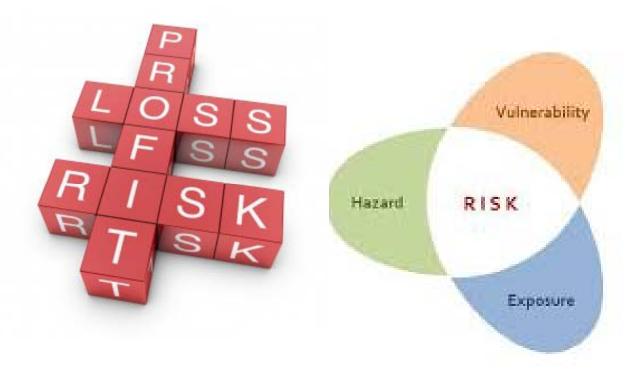


(Source: Mitchell, 2004)



Understanding disaster risk

Loss accounting is a core step in disaster risk management. It allows to set up the context and take actions that are oriented by reliable information about the historical disasters.



Sendai introduces also a new understanding of Risk based not only on past losses but also on **evolving** trends and dynamics



Exercise 3: Reflect in groups

- 1. Why should we collect disaster information?
- 2. What type of disaster data is relevant for each one of your departments/sectors/countries?
- 3. If you have disaster information available, what do you think you could use it for?



Disaster Loss information, for what?

Lack of knowledge about past losses hampers future risk-informed decision-making.



- Provides insight about the temporal and spatial footprint of disasters, helping to take action on critical spots where damages and losses are concentrated.
- Shows where risk construction should be avoided and DRR measures should be taken and prioritized.
- ➤ Allows identification of changes in trends and patterns of disaster risk.



A disaster loss database, for what?

- Functions as a **national/state/city** level disaster loss information system.
- > Allows tracking historical disaster risk at different geographical scales.
- Shows patterns of impacts from different hazards at all levels.
- Serve as the basis for managing data for an international reporting mechanism against the Sendai Framework targets.



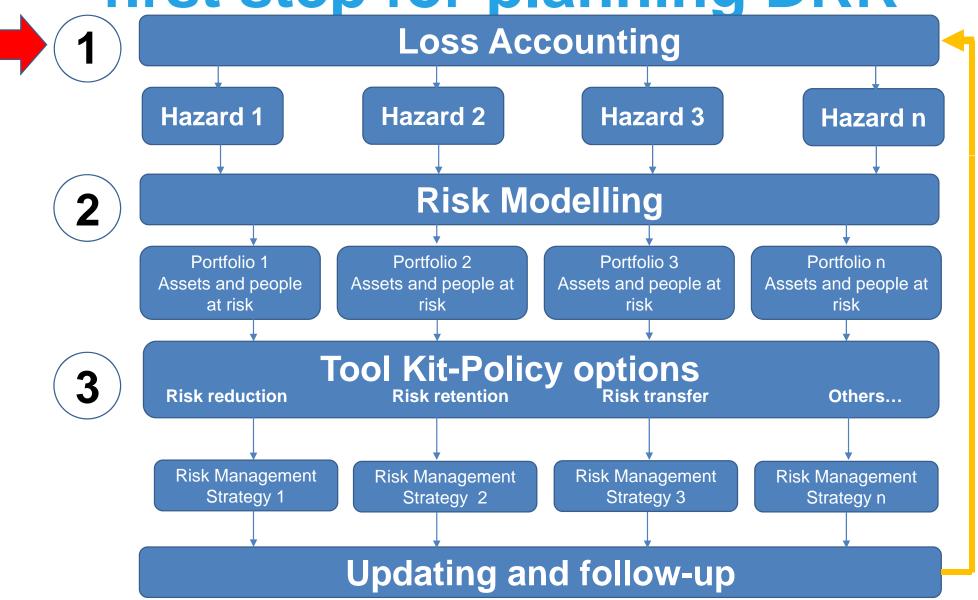
Applications of Disaster Loss Data: EU/JRC vision

Motivation Loss Accounting Disaster forensic Risk modeling Objectives Recording of impact Modelling future losses Identifying the cause Measuring trends Learning from the past DRR and mitigation Local policy (City mayor) Local expert teams Local research/policy National National policy National research/policy National expert teams (National administration) (Regional GEM) International policy International initiatives Global (UN, donors, HFA, GAR) International expert teams (GEM, GAR) EU policy (PDNA) EU policy (DG ECHO)

Conceptual model of application areas for loss data (JRC, 2013).



Loss accounting is fundamental first step for planning DRR



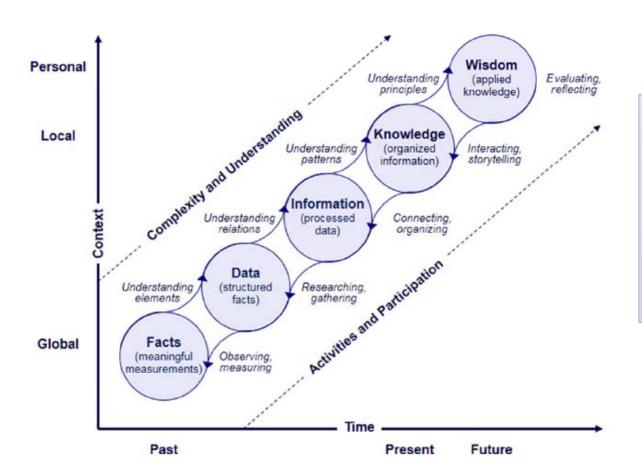
But...

- Without information it is very difficult to establish the context.
- Registering disaster losses is therefore a key aspect to know what is happening.
- Data availability and accessibility are key pillars for developing informed decision-making for reducing future impacts.





From facts to wisdom: where does risk knowledge sits?



Priority 1 of Sendai emphasizes the need for transformation of data and scientific information into *usable information* for decision--making.

Fig. 1 The continuum of understanding

Source: Weichselgartner J., Pigeno, P.

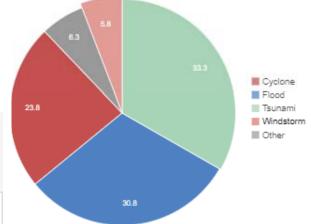


Risk profiles informing the development of national and local DRR strategies

Information on the extent of the potential losses (in human, economic and infrastructure terms) will help refine the high level objectives of the DRR strategy, allowing for goals to be directly linked to the most significant types of impacts

Average Annual Loss (AAL) by hazard

Hazard	Absolute [Million US\$]	Capital stock [%]	GFCF [%]	Social exp [%]	Total Reserves [%]	Gross Savings [%]
Earthquake	0.77	0.000	0.004	0.024	0.012	0.005
Wind	1.70	0.001	0.009	0.052	0.026	0.012
Storm Surge	18.57	0.009	0.095	0.569	0.281	0.132
Tsunami	1.75	0.001	0.009	0.054	0.026	0.012
Flood	143.75	0.069	0.732	4.403	2.174	1.023
Multi- Hazard	166.54	0.080	0.848	5.101	2.519	1.185





Global sources of risk and disaster data



Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction 2015

Making development sustainable: The future of disaster risk management



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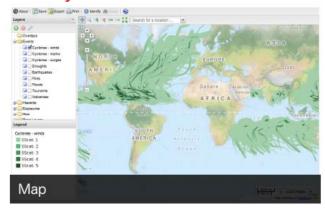
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Country Profiles



Global Risk Data Platform







Disaster Loss Data Sources

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EM-DAT

- Global coverage
- Mortality: more than 10 people
- Number of affected: more than 100 people
- **Economic losses:** are present in less than 30% of the records
- Global level of observation, national level resolution

Swiss Re III Munich RE

Private Insurance and Re-insurance companies



- Data is not freely available
- Only Analysis reports are shared
- Developed for the insurance market



ECLAC-WB: Damage and Loss Assessment methodology (DaLA)



- Only assesses losses from large scale (intensive) disasters
- Does not have global coverage

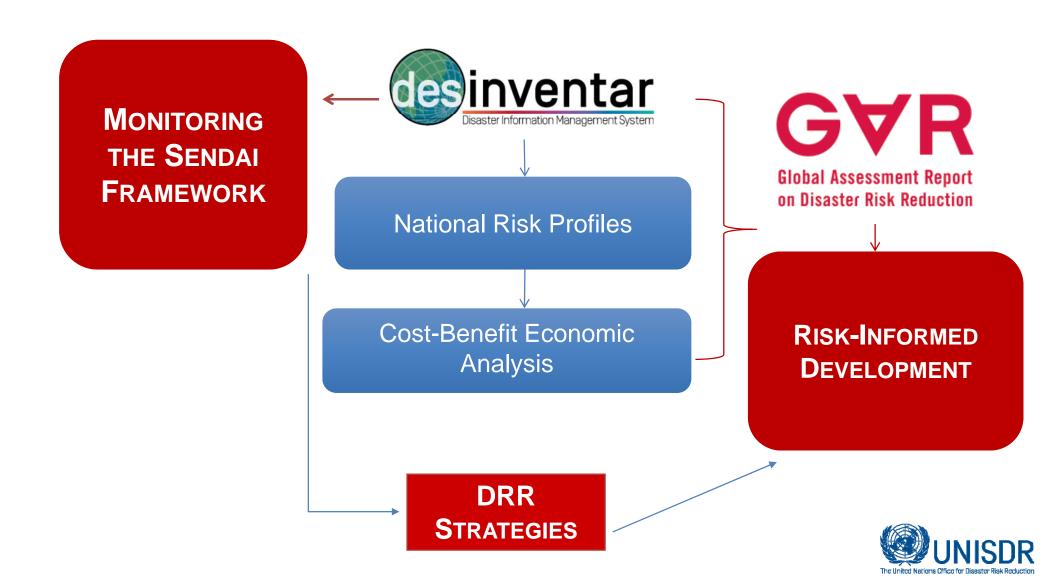


National databases



- National level of observation, data with sub-national level of resolution.
- Methodologies are heterogeneous, hampering global comparison.
- Not frequently updated.

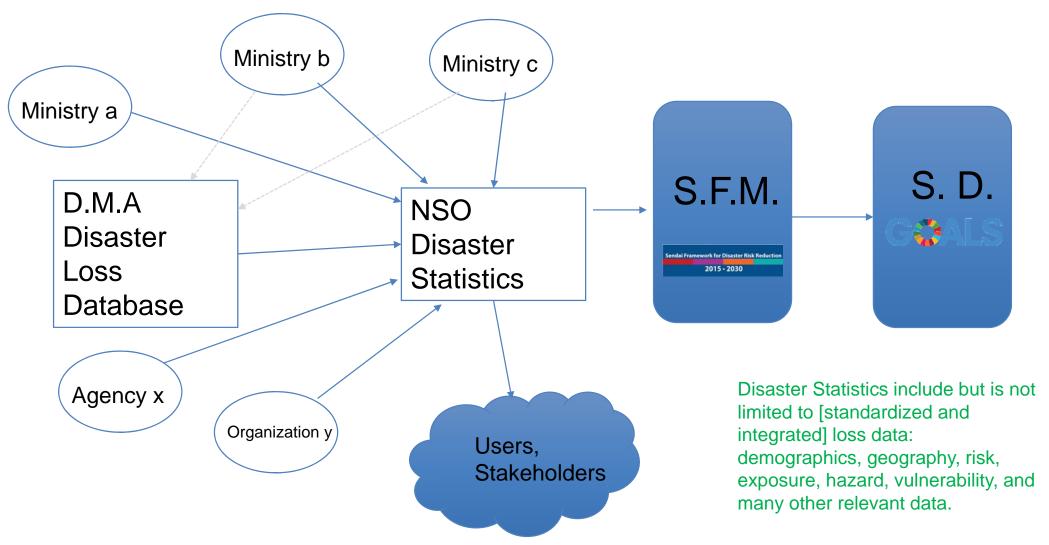
The model: vision by UNISDR



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Multi-Purpose Data, Integrated Monitoring & Reporting

Information Flow (Loss data->statistics)



Trends and patterns in disaster effects

Extensive disasters

Upwards trend on disaster mortality and economic losses from extensive risk in middle and low income countries.

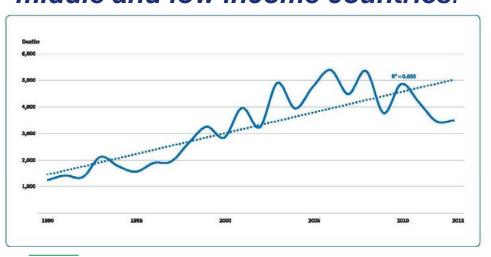
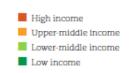


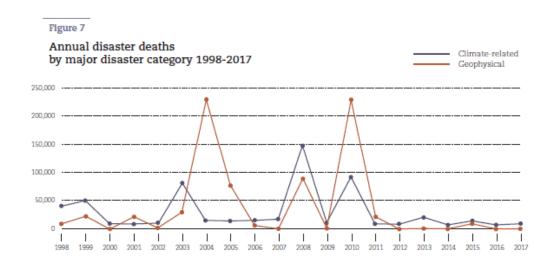
Figure 12 Climate-related and Geophysical Disasters 1998-2017





Intensive disasters

Global mortality concentrated in few intensive disaster events



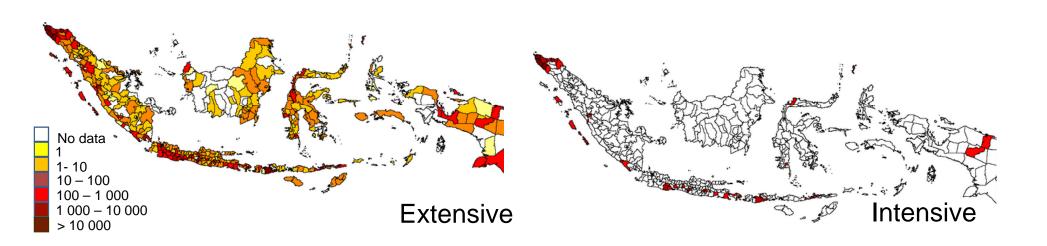
Return times' are long and unpredictable, so low mortality in the recent past is not an indicator of future risk

Identifying disaster footprint for Extensive and Intensive disasters

Intensive disasters: is used to describe high-severity, mid to low-frequency disasters, mainly associated with major hazards (i.e. earthquakes, active volcanos, tsunamis)

Extensive disasters: is used to describe low-severity, high-frequency disasters, mainly but not exclusively associated with highly localized hazards (i.e. flash floods, landslides, droughts, etc.)

Different footprints of extensive and intensive disasters (# of deaths)



Usage of Historical Loss Data in Risk Assessments

- Provide historical vulnerability indexes: allows developing vulnerability or fragility curves
- Provide Empirical Loss Exceedance Curves (GAR)
- Historical data can help validating Risk Assessments
- Historical data can be use **calibrating** Risk Assessments
- Generate <u>proxy</u> indicators of Risk (for hard-to-model risks or when no data is available)
- Allow monitoring of DRR measures
- Provide a dynamic vision of historic risk evolution over time
- Provide evidence-based support to decision makers

Relevance of registering extensive disaster effects for allowing analysis



Main results and recommendations from the GAR:

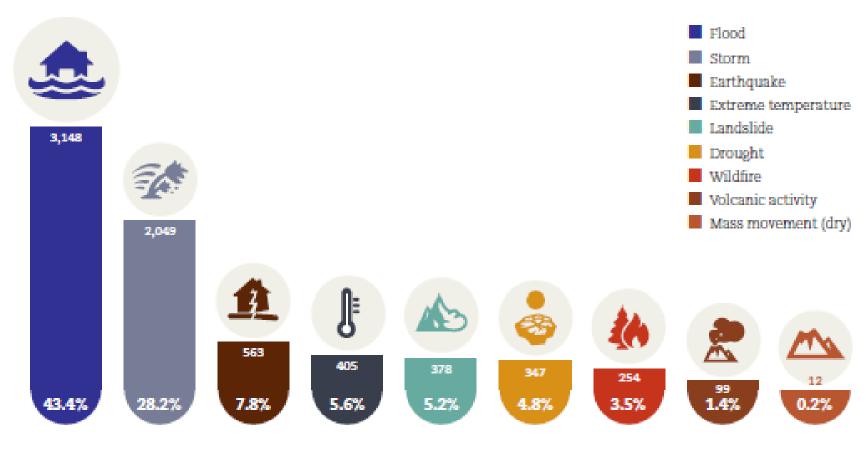
- New data allows to have a more complete picture of disaster losses.
- Direct losses are <u>at least</u> 60% more than the ones registered internationally.
- Low-scale disasters hamper local development and countries' competitiveness.
- Extensive risks are increasing with urbanization and economic development.

Economic Loss data is unavailable or incomplete for 63% of the disaster events internationally reported (source: EM-DAT)



Disasters: global and local knowledge gaps

Figure 3 Numbers of disasters per type 1998-2017

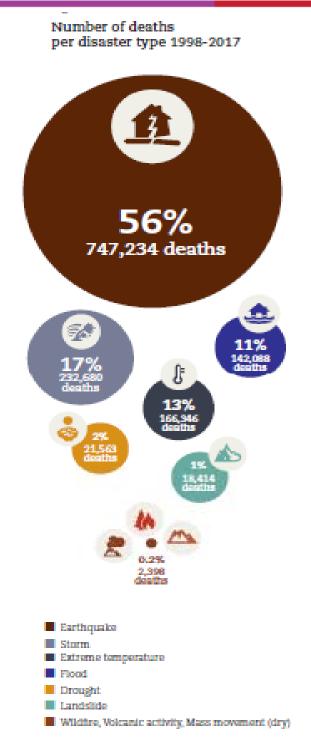


EM-DAT/UNISDR report: Economic losses, poverty and disasters (1998-2017)



Global disaster mortality per disaster type

Intensive type of disaster account for the majority of deaths (global level)

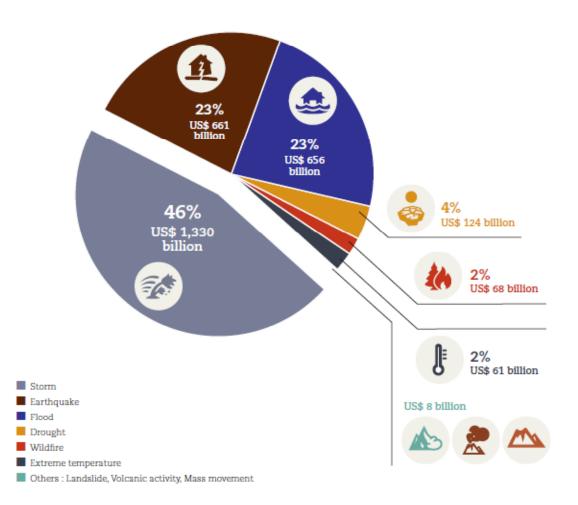




Internationally recorded economic losses by hazard

for the majority of economic losses

Breakdown of recorded economic losses (US\$) per disaster type 1998-2017





Economic losses are commonly underreported...

Table 3

Reporting of economic losses per disaster type (climate-related)

Table 4

Reporting of economic losses per disaster type (geophysical)

% reported

	Storm	55
th	Wildfire	41
•	Flood	32
4	Drought	29
	Landslide	13
J	Extreme temperature	11

% reported

鱼	Earthquake	43
2	Volcanic activity	11
	Mass movement (dry)	8

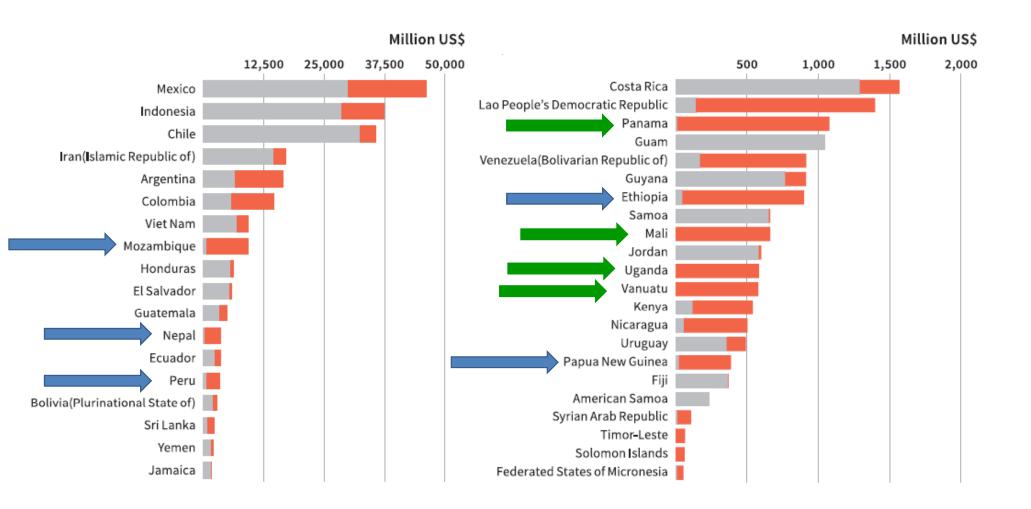


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 ■ Recorded in EMDAT ■ Additional losses from National Datasets



Potential applications of Disaster Data: a recap

- Inputs for risk profiling
- Development of vulnerability curves
- Calibrations of disaster risk assessments
- Thematic analysis
- Monitoring effectiveness of DRR measures
- Enable preparation of cost-benefit analysis



Asia Pacific examples on best practices and applications of disaster data

Contributions by UNDP (Rajesh Sharma)



Highlighted applications in India



DATABASES FOR DRM

Data on Hazards: various hydrological, geological, meteorological and manmade threats

Disaster Data: Database of all the events happened with the damages and losses

Vulnerability Indicators : Social and economic factors

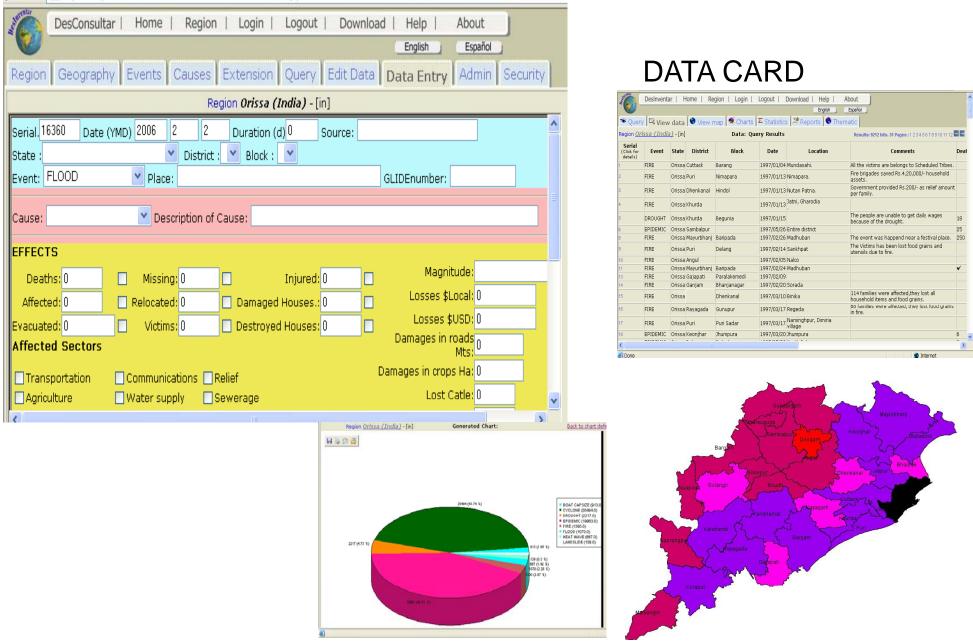
Resource Databases : data on material and skilled human resources



Orissa Pilot - Indis Data



DATA ENTRY FORMAT



http://www.desinventar.org

Orissa Indis Data

- A pilot project (Indis data) completed to test and adapt DesInventar methodology in Orissa (2002-2004).
- Data collected for 30 districts and 314 blocks
- 32 years data (1970-2002) collected from media & Government records.
- Institutionalization with Government (OSDMA) for sustainability was done in 2004.
- Orissa Vulnerability report based on disaster inventory and other related datasets was prepared in the year 2005.

INDIS Data implementation

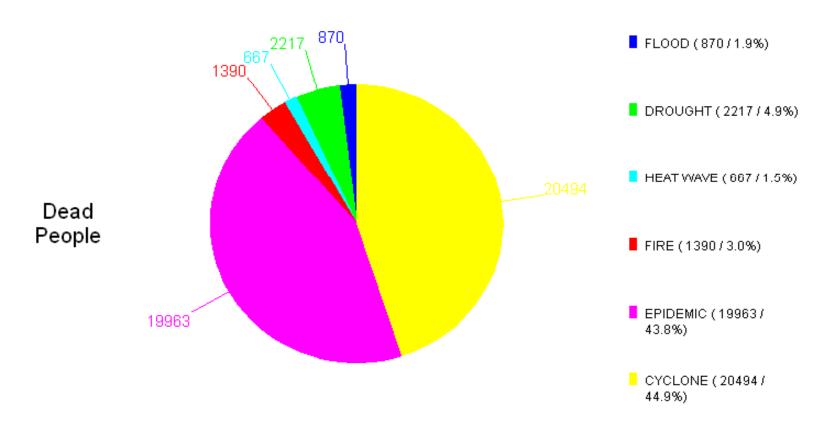
- Introductory workshop on disaster inventories and Indis Data (DesInventar) method.
- Specific training on the use of the Indis data methods and software - Customization of methods and software for Orissa
- Identification of data sources and securing access to them
- Selection and training of researchers
- Data collection and Data entry by researchers
- Data validation followed by overall analysis of patterns
- Sector specific analysis of patterns and generation of hypothesis
- Use of the information and the inferences as inputs for compiling Orissa vulnerability report



Preliminary Findings

- Interpretation and analysis of the data shows new dimensions of risk & vulnerabilities of the State.
- Cyclones (life) and floods (livelihood) are Orissa's most damaging disasters.
- Epidemics are the greatest cause of deaths after cyclones
- fire is the greatest cause of household property destruction. Many epidemics follow floods.
- Deaths due to epidemics indicates the high human vulnerability and lack of adequate planning and medical facilities.
- There has been increasing damages to property showing high degree of physical exposure while the number of deaths are reducing.

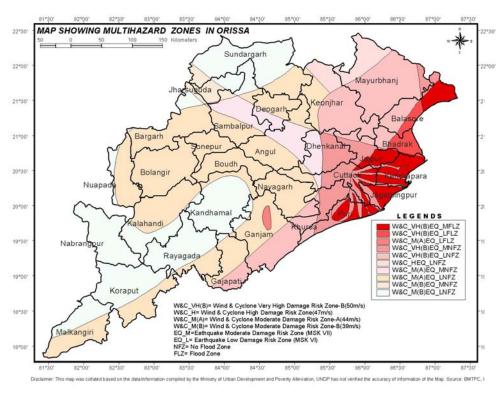
Impact of different disasters on life



- human life lost due to epidemics is comparable with the life lost due to cyclones.
- Epidemics following floods shows the low economic level and lack of medical facilities
- Death due to drought dep



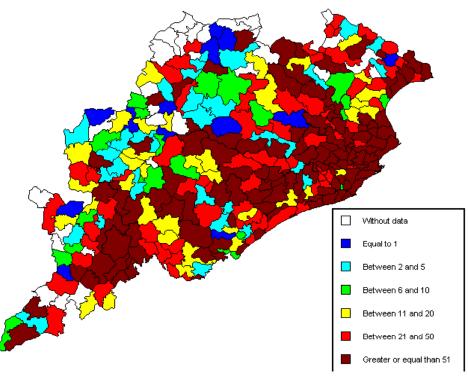
Total Number of Deaths Reported and its comparison with Vulnerability Atlas



Districts like Rayagada, Koraput Kalahandi have low multihazard vulnerability (BMTPC ATLAS). Most of the deaths are due to drought, epidemics etc.

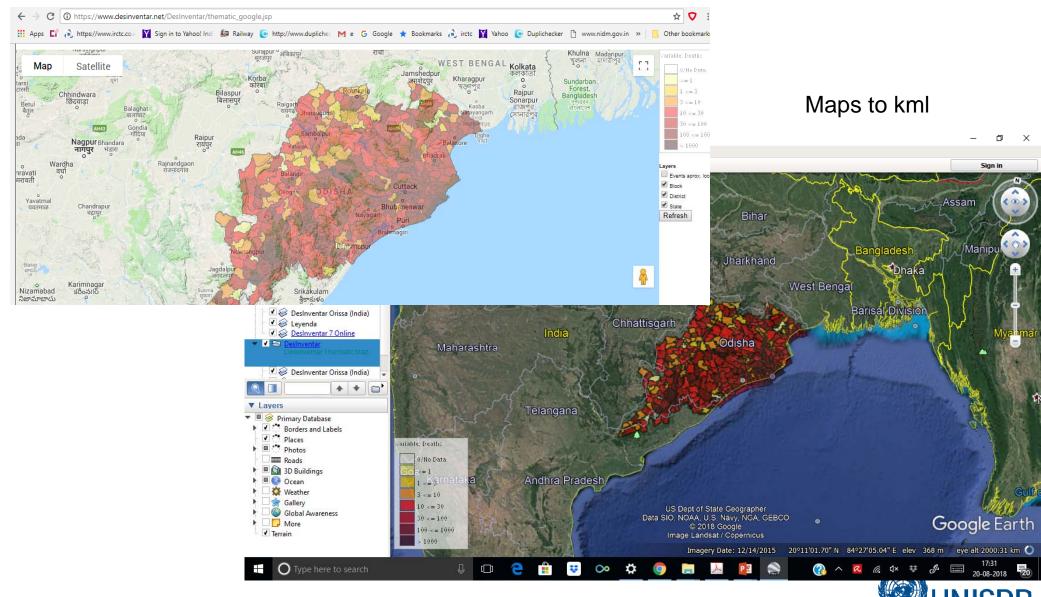
But the lose of life due to various disasters is high in these districts.

This real time data uncover the hidden vulnerabilities like lack of awareness, low economy level, poor health facilities etc



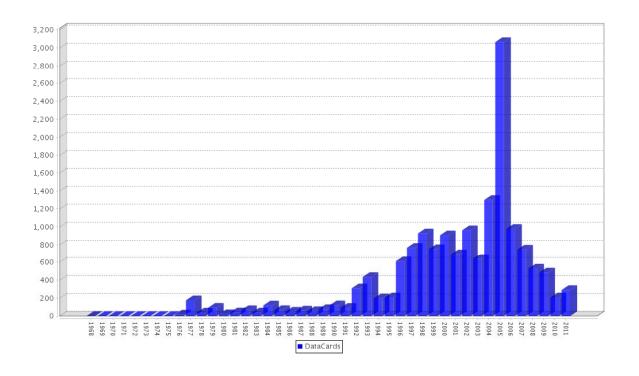


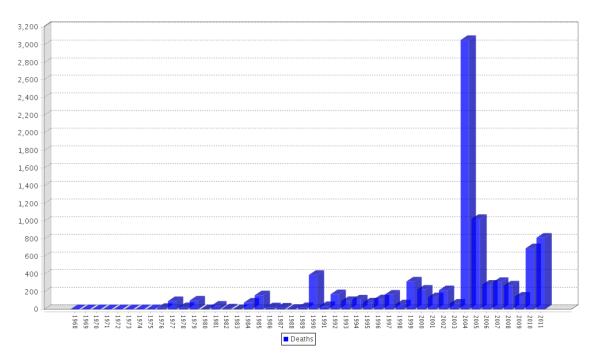
Google maps and Google earth



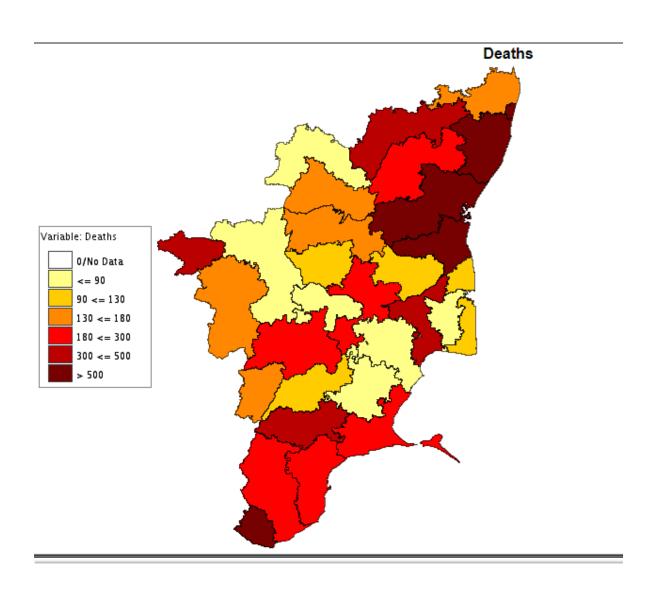
Tamil Nadu – Desinventar Database

- Orissa disaster database was found helpful in understanding the spatio- temporal and typological distribution.
- Under the regional tsunami recovery programme, Indis data initiative was replicated in 3 more states of India (Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh)
- Tamil Nadu initial data collection training etc with Anna Institute of Management and the data was hosted in 2007 in revenue department website (1976-2011).
- Other 2 states data collection was done for shorter period but was never institutionalised or hosted in state govt or desinventar server.





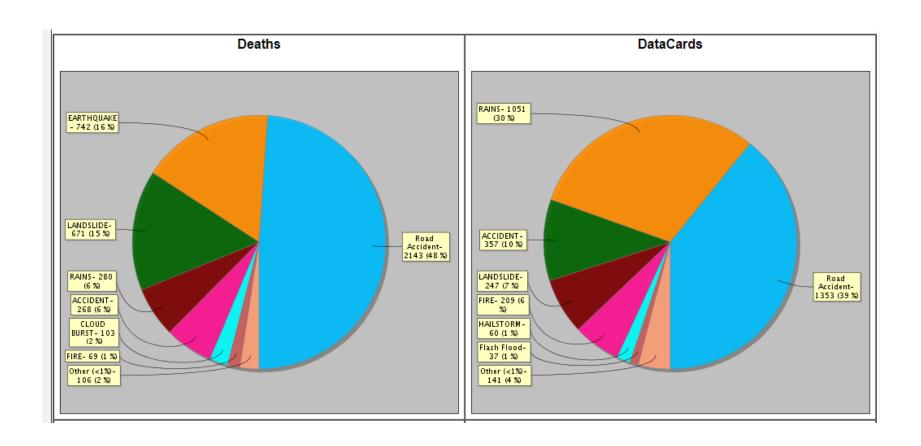
Mortality at District Level

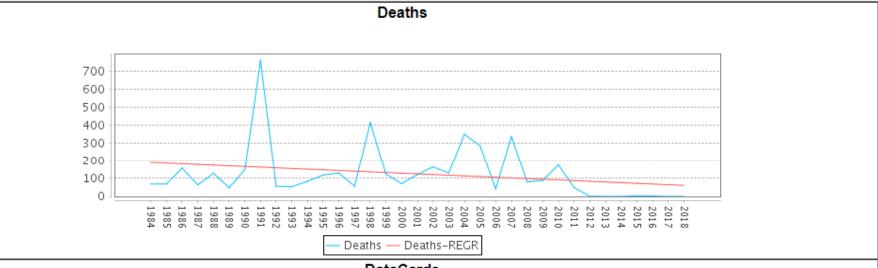




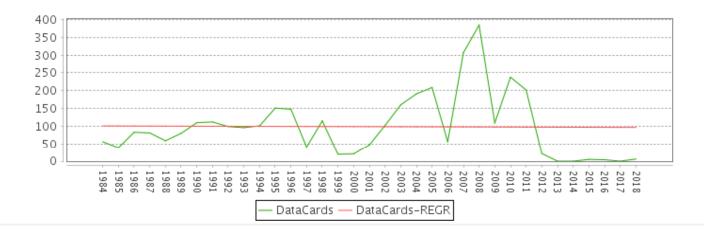
Uttarakhand

- Started under UNDP DRM
- Support for organising workshop, training and technical support was provided in 2006
- DMMC owned the database and is up to date.
- The data is been updated in the Desinventar server.
- Data for the period 1984 2018 available









Deaths due to various disasters

Variable: Deaths

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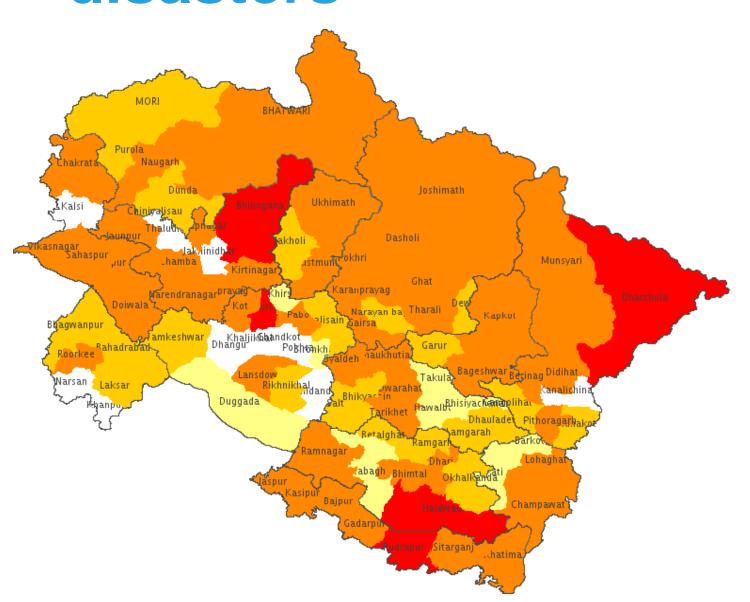
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Potential of Disaster Damage and Loss data

- Assessment of damages and losses for response, immediate relief and compensations
- Post disaster needs assessment and formulation of recovery programmes
- Identifying the hotspots and spatial, temporal and typological distribution
- Prioritising the disaster mitigation and risk reduction programmes
- Monitoring and evaluation (Including SFDRR, SDG etc.)
- Validating models
- Probabilistic Risk Assessments



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