

# Practices and Approaches to Establishing and Maintaining Transboundary Coordination (Mekong River Basin)

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# Introduction: Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC)

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### **Partnerships:**



Over 30 years Offices and representations • Bangkok, Thailand • Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Kathmandu, Nepal
- Manila, Philippines

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Phnom Penh, Cambodia



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Pollution electroastewater and apricultural runoff.





Source: Deltares, 2016





### **People Affected by Type of Disasters**

Number of people affected per disaster type 1998-2017







Source: UNDRR, 2018



## **Mekong River Basin**

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The Mekong is a trans-boundary river in Southeast Asia.

The Mekong River is one of the world's great river systems, flowing 4,909 km through six countries: China, Myanmar, Thailand, Lao PDR, Cambodia, and Viet Nam.

It drains an area of 795,000 km2 (307,000 sq mi), discharging 475 km3 (114 cu mi) of water annually.

## **Governance of the Mekong**

### Mekong River Commission Governance Structure





- Mekong River Commission Secretariat (Vientienne, Laos) -MRCS
- Mekong River national committees (NMCs)
- Member countries: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand, Vietnam
- Observer countries: People's Republic of China and Myanmar (Burma)

## "3i Approach"

### **Transboundary Coordination**



Climate impacts result in vulnerabilities of different systems, depending upon their sensitivity and adaptive capacity water information, institutions, and infrastructure actions are required to manage hydrological variability to reduce sector vulnerability

Integrating resilience into water management systems enables economic, livelihood, and natural systems



UNECE, 2016 /2017

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**Create/invent Tool from remote** Sensing to improve water management



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### WHAT IS SERVIR?



Partnership between USAID and NASA



Establishes long-term regional hubs to get geo-spatial information and tools to decision makers



Identifies, addresses and resolves data and information challenges



Focuses on climate change and implications on land use, agriculture, biodiversity, disasters, forests, health, water and weather



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### **Regional Drought and Crop Yield Information System**

### Problem: Loss of rice production due to severe drought



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### : Regional Drought and Crop Yield Information System



20+ drought and crop related indices/variables

Seasonal:Forecast

### Nowcast

Actual condition of a particular day (or period) from 1981 onward



# Connecting space to farmers

## Earth Observations and NASA Products Used

- Regional Hydro-Extreme
   Assessment System (RHEAS) Model
- Climate Hazards Group InfraRed Precipitation with Station data (CHIRPS)
- NCEP Reanalysis Data
- NMME Meteorological Forecast Data
- AMSR-E/SMAP/SMOS Soil Moisture
- MODIS Leaf Area Index Data
- MODIS Evapotranspiration Data
- Harmonized World Soil Database

### : Regional Drought and Crop Yield Information System





### Regional Drought and Crop Yield Information System



MRC Drought Portal: http://mekong2.tengini.com

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Lower Mekong Basin Drought Monitoring and Forecasting

#### Drought Early Warning Lower Mekong Basin

Date 04 08 2019

#### Weekly Combined Drought Index (CDI) Forecast

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## **Mekong Drought Tool: Outreach**



- Drought monitoring and forecasting data: Regional Hydrologic Extremes Assessment System (RHEAS)
- Able to monitor and forecast all types of drought (i.e. meteorological, agricultural, hydrological).
- Based on the best available science and data.
- Practically useful for Mekong River Commission (MRC) Member Countries and their Line Agencies.
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Jet Propulsion Laboratory,
- Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC),
- Drought Management Team (DMT) of the Mekong River Commission Secretariat (MRCS),
- Centre for Water, Climate and Land (CWCL) at the University of Newcastle, Australia

## **User Engagement**

### Regional Drought and Crop Yield Information System



**Capacity Building on RHEAS Modeling** 

Dialogue on Application of Drought Monitoring and Forecasting for Management and Response to Drought in Vietnam

### Virtual Rain and Stream Gauge Information Service (VRSGIS)

## What is VRSGIS Tool?

# Global rainfall and water level are available!

Product	Spatial Res.	Temporal Res.	Data Availability	Latency
TRMM	25km	Daily	1998-2016	-
GPM-IMERGE	10km	30min	2015-date	6 hrs
CMORPH	8 / 25km	30min / Daily	2014-date	6 hrs / 1 day
CHIRPS	5km	daily	1981-date	2 months
GSMap	10km	Hourly / Daily	2015 - date	4 hrs / 1 day
Jason2/3		10 days	2008-date	2 days
Sentinel 3A/3B		27 days	2017-date	2 days



Transboundary issues



## Virtual Rain Tool Integration Into MRC – Flash Flood Guidance System (MRC-FFGS)



# **Surface Water Mapping Tool** Landsat 7 and 8 data + MODIS





Transboundary issues **LACK** Hydro information

**Risk** Assessment

River morphology changes

# What we do? Historical Flood Analysis Tool

Risk Assessment LACK Hydro ground information

Earth Observations and NASA Products Used

- Landsat 5, 7 and 8 data
- Google Earth Engine
- OpenStreetMap
- SRTM Plus (30 m Digital Elevation Model)
- Joint Research Centre (JRC) Global Surface Water dataset



### It is now live! What is RLCMS Tool?

### https://rlcmsservir.adpc.net/en/landcover/#

### **REGIONAL LAND COVER MONITORING SYSTEM**





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# Temperature has increased by about 1°C compared to pre-industrial period.



If the current warming rate of about 0.2 °C per decade continues, human-induced warming will exceed 1.5 °C between 2030 and 2052.





### **CCA DRR Coherence at Basin Level**

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- Land use planning.
- Water conservation.

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