

GEOINFORMATICS IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT:

Scope, Examples & Advancements

Training Workshop on Use of Space Technology
for Disaster Risk Reduction

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GEOINFORMATICS TECHNOLOGY

- Remote Sensing
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Global Positioning System (GPS)
- Information Technology
- Communication Technology

DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Disaster Management comprises all forms of activities including structural and non-structural measures to avoid (prevention) or to limit (mitigation and preparedness) adverse effects of disasters in the pre-disaster phase and post disaster stage (Response, Relief, Recovery, Reconstruction).



GEO-INFO APPLICATIONS IN DM

Pre disaster

Examples: hazard mapping, Vulnerability and Risk Assessment, Preparedness Plans; Early Warning and monitoring, Risk Modelling etc

During Disaster

Examples: public warning systems; emergency operations; search and rescue, evacuation planning, distribution of relief

Post Disaster

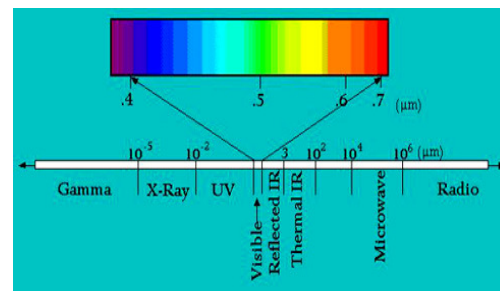
Examples: damage assessment, temporary shelters; claims, processing and grants; reconstruction

REMOTE SENSING

Remote Sensing means deriving information about objects from measurements made from distance i.e. without actually coming into contact with them.

Such measurements require a medium of interaction. Medium of interaction is Electromagnetic radiation

Visible, infrared, and microwave portions of the spectrum are used for remote sensing

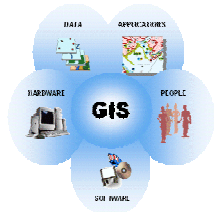


GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

GIS is a system of hardware, software, data and personnel to efficiently capture, store, update, manipulate, analyze and display all forms of geographically referenced information.

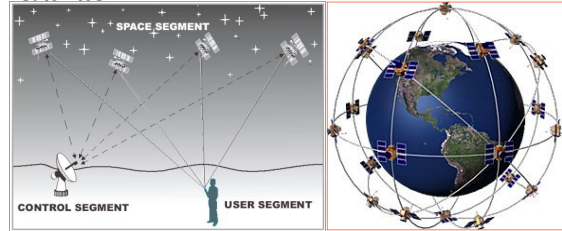
Hardware
Software
Data
People
Application/ procedures

COMPONENTS OF GIS



GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM

A network of satellites that continuously transmit coded information, which makes it possible with help of an instrument (hand held or vehicles) to precisely identify locations on earth by measuring distance from the satellites.



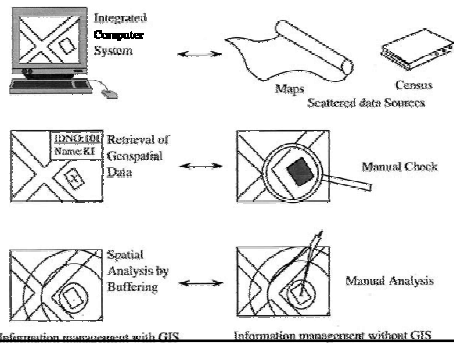
APPLICABLE FOR ALL DISASTERS



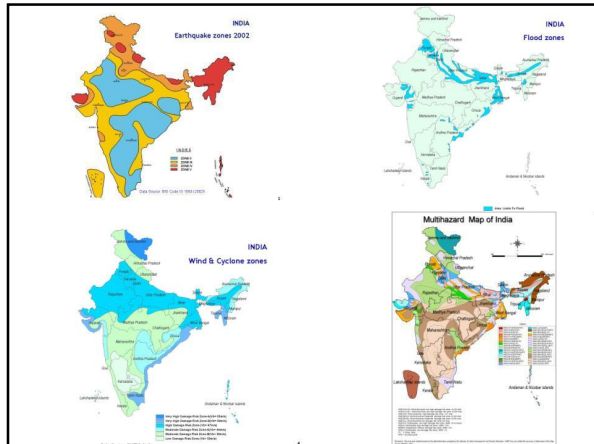
Conventional Tools in Disaster Management -Some Issues

- Conventional Maps- Outdated
- Scattered databases not easy to collate in short time
- Difficulty in assessing damage
- Difficulty in getting an overview of situation
- Difficulties in sharing data

Comparison between geospatial information management with and without GIS.

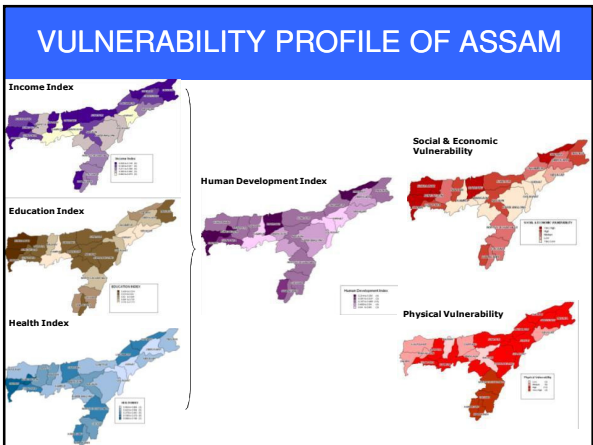
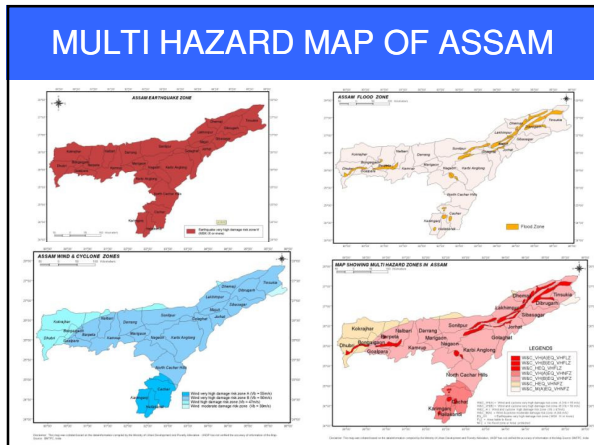


MULTIHAZARD VULNERABILITY MAPPING AND RISK ASSESSMENT



MULTI HAZARD VULNERABILITY MAPPING

- 169 districts were identified as multi hazard prone by overlaying individual hazard Maps and district boundary maps (Source of hazard maps is BMTPC atlas, 1997)
- 241 districts were classified as multi-hazard prone as per the revised Atlas (2006)



VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS ORISSA CASE STUDY

STUDY AREA

- Having a long coast line
- Prone to all the hydro-meteorological disasters
- High Vulnerability
- Previous studies were having more of a hazard centric approach

APPROACH TO RISK ASSESSMENT

INDUCTIVE APPROACH

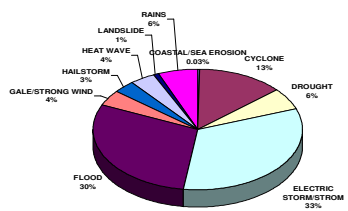
- Inductive approaches have been used to determine disaster risk using an overlay of detailed hazard maps, and the level of exposure (population density, infrastructure etc.) to vulnerable elements
- However, in most situations, this can be very expensive and time consuming.
- Models are based on assumptions..
- For validating models disaster inventory is required
- Multi hazard approach is not there in most of the existing models/ methodologies

DEDUCTIVE APPROACH OR DISASTER INVENTORY MAPPING

- Systematic tracking of occurrence of small medium and large disasters at the lowest possible administrative level
- Identifying the events and categorizing
- Preparation of Risk Matrix based on sectoral impacts and frequency
- Overlaying of different hazard maps and impact layers
- Map key socio economic and vulnerability indicators from Census, HDI and Economic Survey
- Identify the most vulnerable areas at the lowest possible spatial unit based on the weighted average method.
- **Methodology was a combination of spatial and non spatial Analysis**

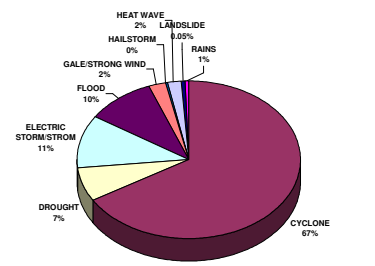
PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS

TYPOLOGICAL ANALYSIS: Objective is to identify the major hazard based on the number of recorded events

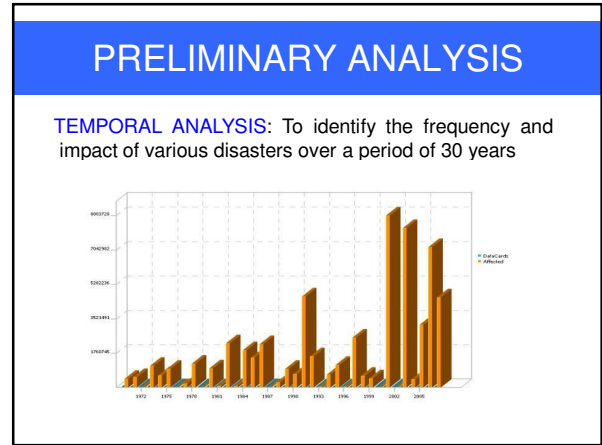
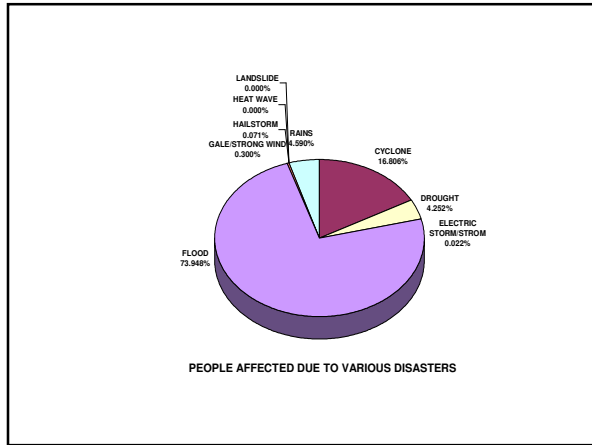
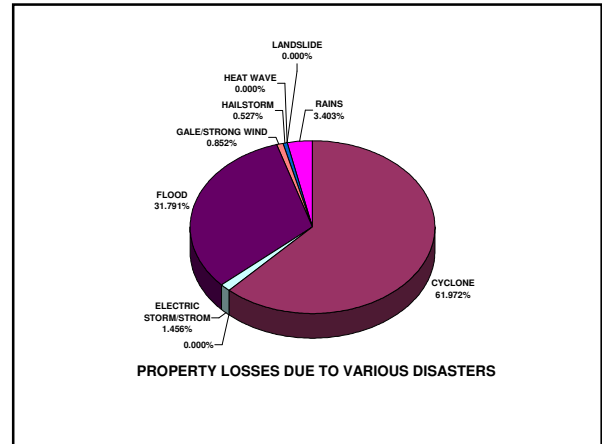
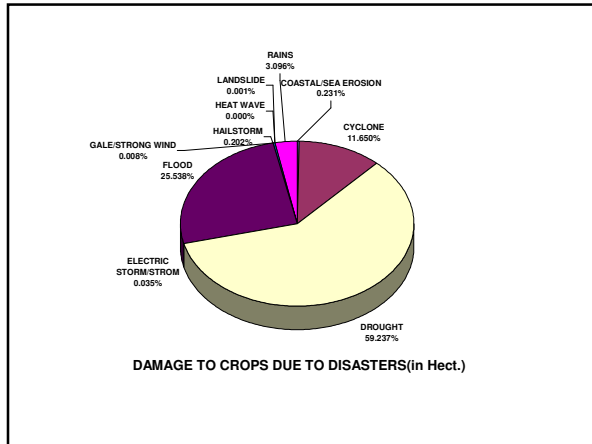


DISTRIBUTION OF VARIOUS DISASTROUS EVENTS

PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS



DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS DUE TO VARIOUS DISASTERS

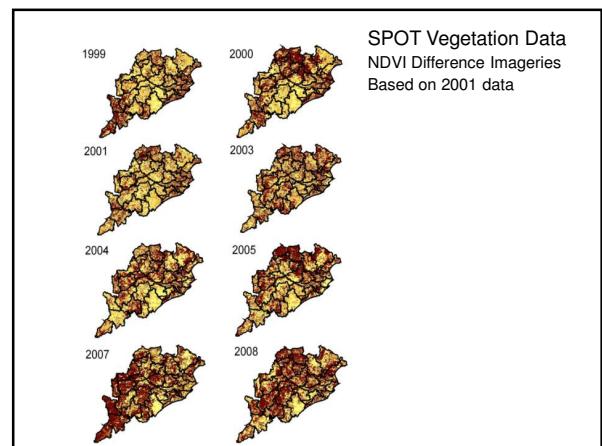
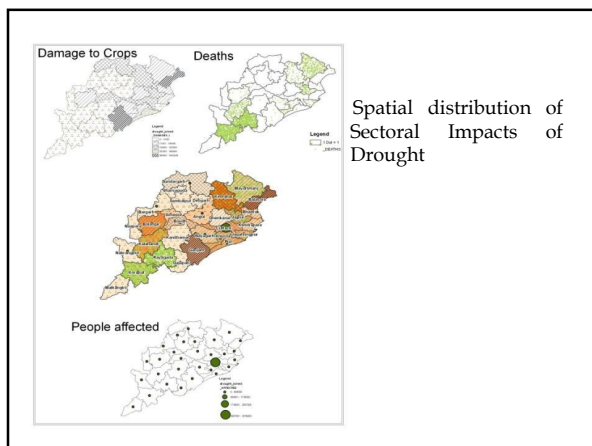
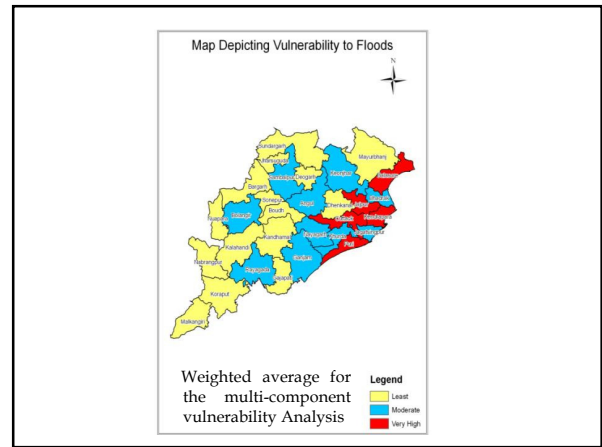
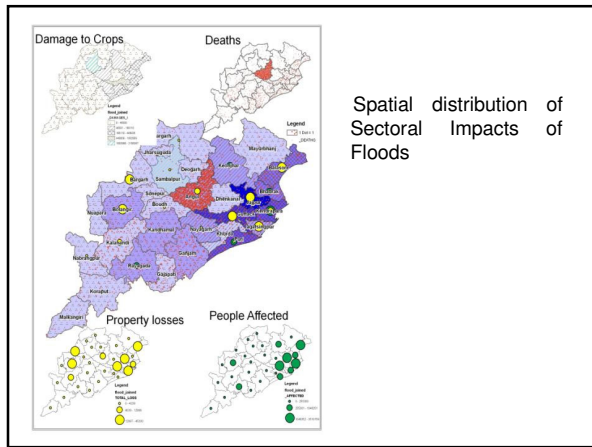
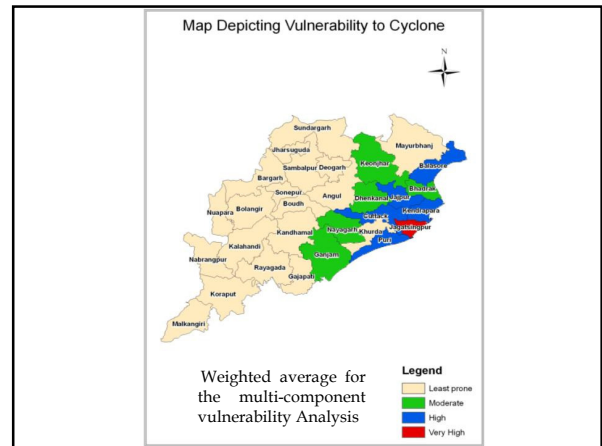
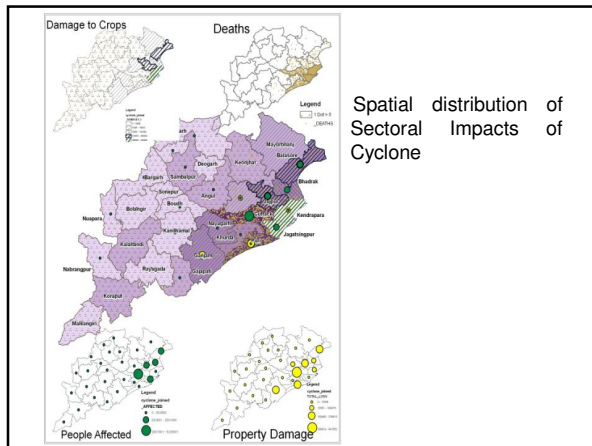


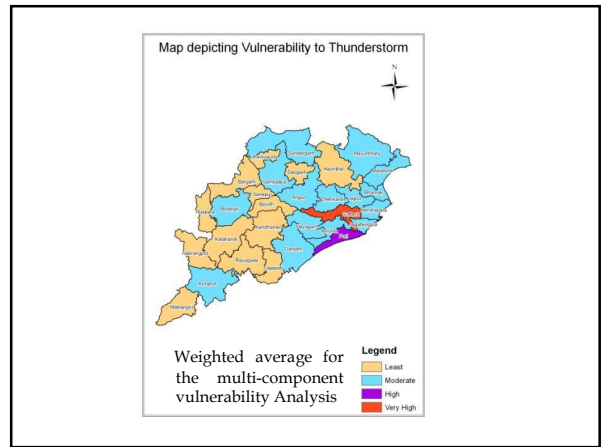
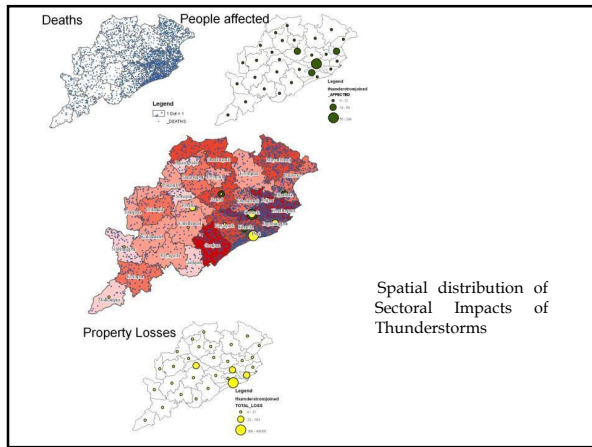
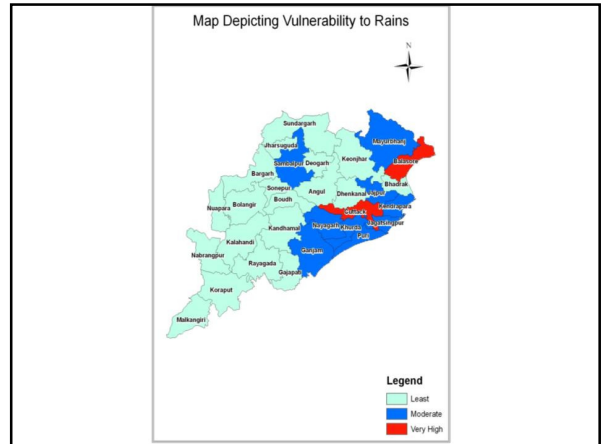
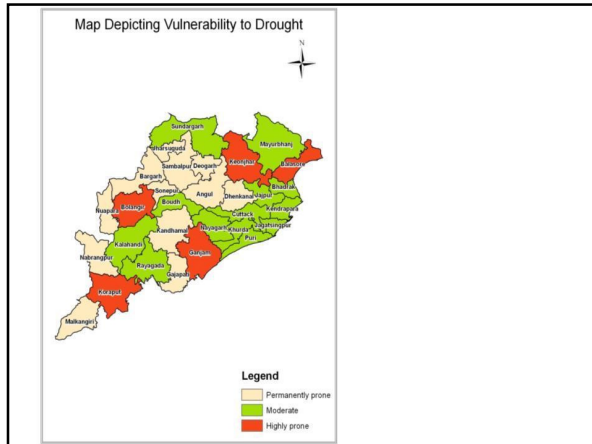
IDENTIFYING MAJOR HAZARDS

Based on the preliminary analysis the following hydro-meteorological hazards were taken for detailed analysis

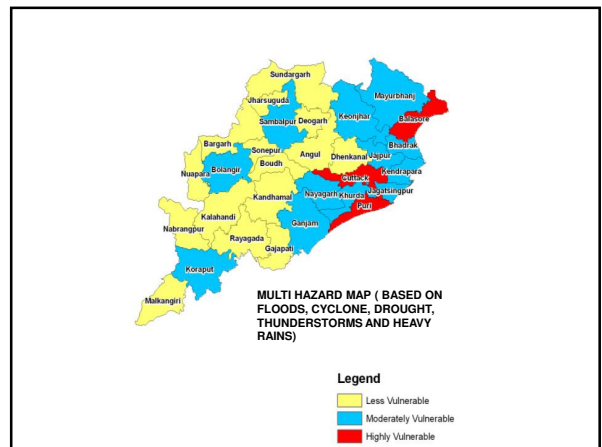
- Cyclone
- Floods and Heavy Rain
- Thunderstorms and Lightning
- Drought

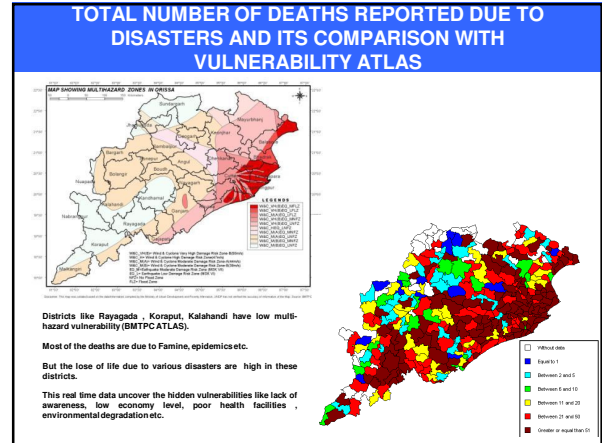
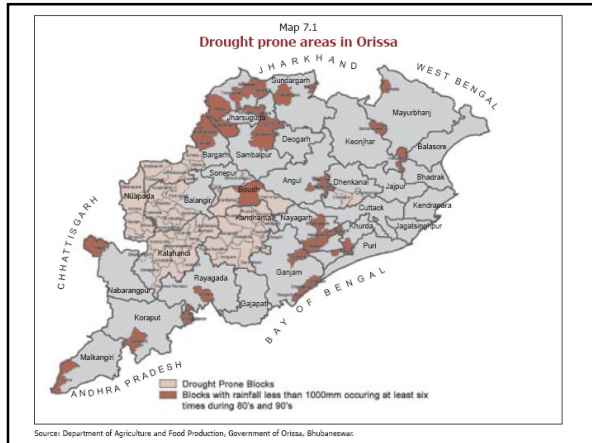
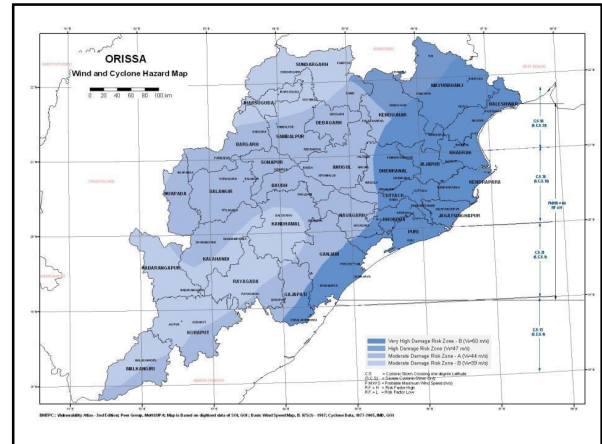
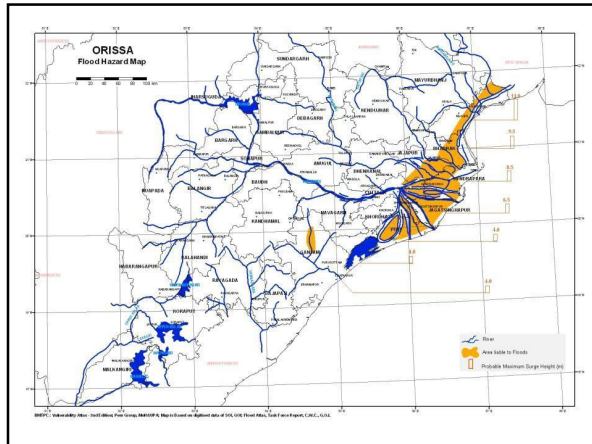
SPATIAL ANALYSIS





MULTI HAZARD VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS			
S.No	Hazard	Class	Weight
1.	Cyclone	Least prone	1
		Moderate	2
		high	3
		Very high	4
2.	Floods	Least	1
		Moderate	2
		High	3
		Very high	4
3.	Drought	Prone	1
		Moderate prone	2
		Permanently prone	3
4.	Rains	Least	1
		Moderate	2
		Very high	3
5.	Thunderstorm	Least	1
		moderate	2
		High	3
		Very high	4





BENEFITS

- As a Policy Advocacy Tool – Evidence based
- HVR is key component of DMP
- Key inputs for EWS
- Identification and Prioritization of Mitigation Measures
- Helps in identifying the sectoral impacts
- Identifying the underlying causes of vulnerability
- Validating Models and methodology changes
- As a monitoring and Evaluation Tool : How the development/mitigation measured increased or reduced disaster Risk
- Reducing disparity in Relief distribution
- Key input for Insurance/ reinsurance sector

CHALLENGES

Strategic

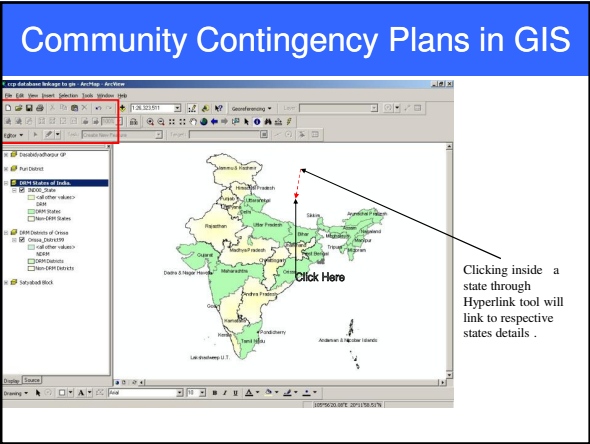
- Reliability and Credibility of data sets
- There is no well established system of collecting disaster databases similar to census .
- Reports of GSI, IMD, CWC etc are having hazard centric approach
- Political Issues

Methodological

- Segregation and aggregation of data.
- Series of associated events
- Potential in assessing futuristic risk scenarios

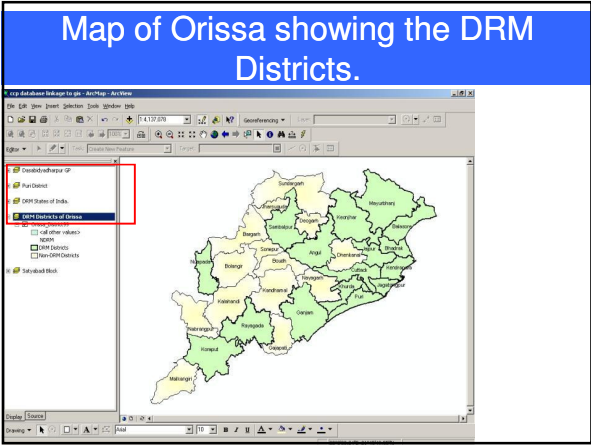
CONTINGENCY PLANS IN GIS

Community Contingency Plans in GIS

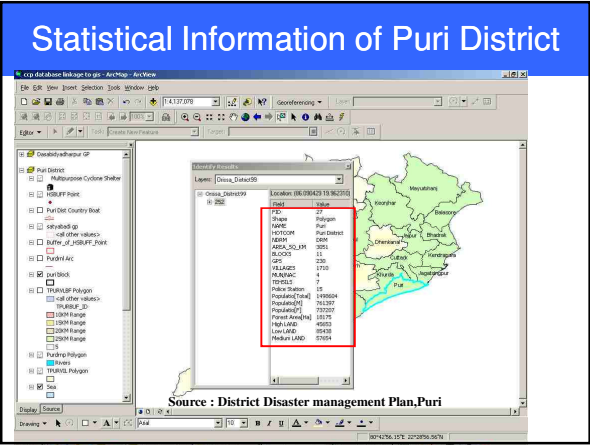


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Map of Orissa showing the DRM Districts.



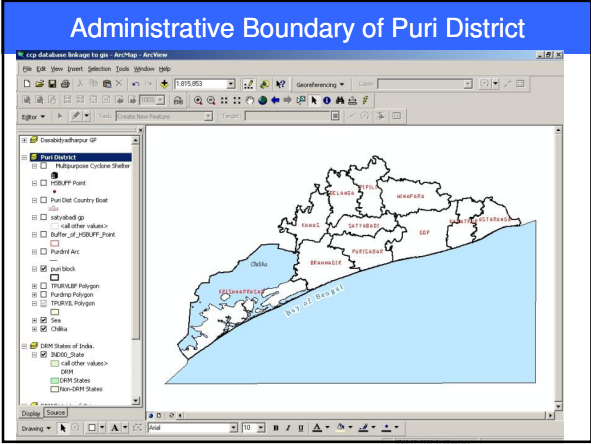
Statistical Information of Puri District



Stat	Value
Area	1102.00
Perimeter	1102.00
Population	1102000
Male	551000
Female	551000
Male Density	500
Female Density	500
Population Density	1000
Population per sq km	1000
Population per sq mile	2600
Population per sq meter	0.00026
Population per sq foot	0.0000007
Population per sq inch	0.00000000026
Population per sq centimeter	0.00000000000026
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Source : District Disaster management Plan,Puri

Administrative Boundary of Puri District



Description about the Analysis

Layers Taken for analysis :

1. Health Centres
2. Multipurpose Cyclone shelters
3. Storage Facilities
4. Buffer zones
5. Location of Boats
6. River systems
7. Roads

- Information can be retrieved upto village level.
- Block to Village can be zoomed in to view the geographical location of resources.
- Details about item/resource can be seen and query based resources finding is possible
- Flexibility of moving macro to micro level in a same window.

LINKAGE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO

1. District Disaster management Plan (DDMP)
2. Block Disaster Management Plan (BDMP)
3. Gram Panchayat Disaster Management Plan (GPDMP)
4. Village-CCP

