



Flood and Drought Monitoring using in situ data in Nigeria

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Introduction

Drought and Flood early warning systems typically aim to track, assess and deliver relevant information concerning climatic, hydrologic and water supply conditions and trends. Ideally, they have both a monitoring (including impacts) and a forecasting component.

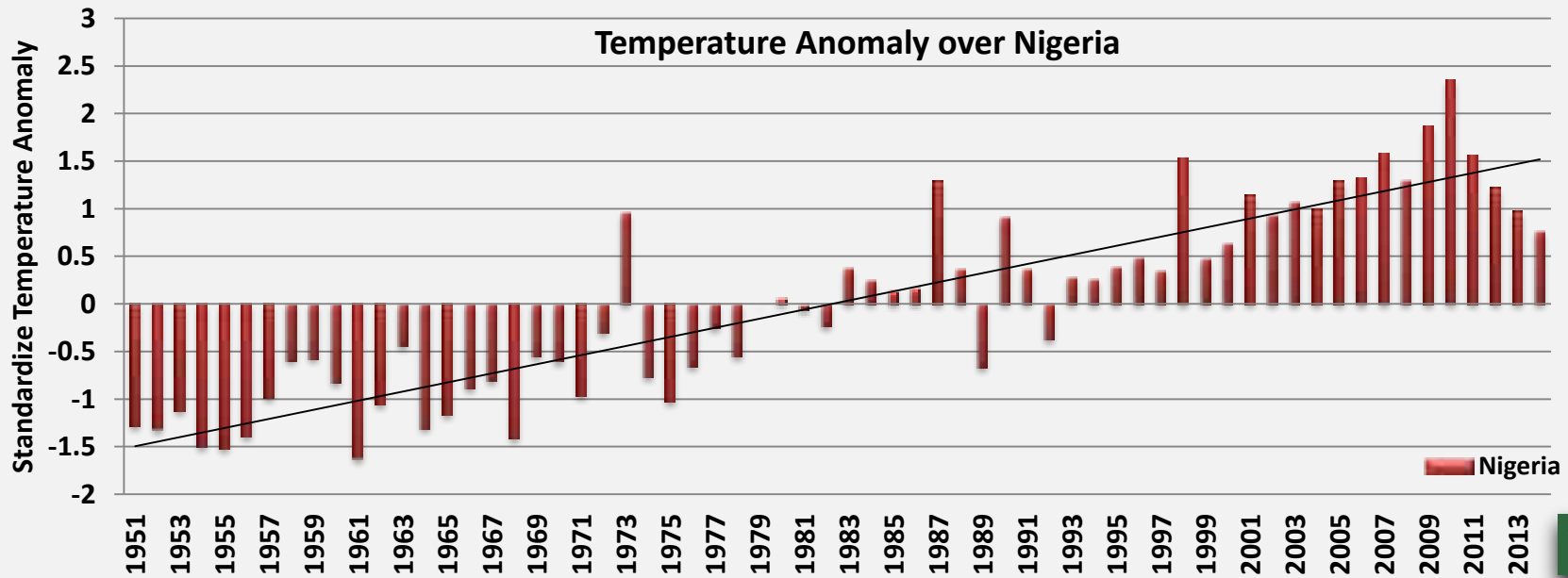
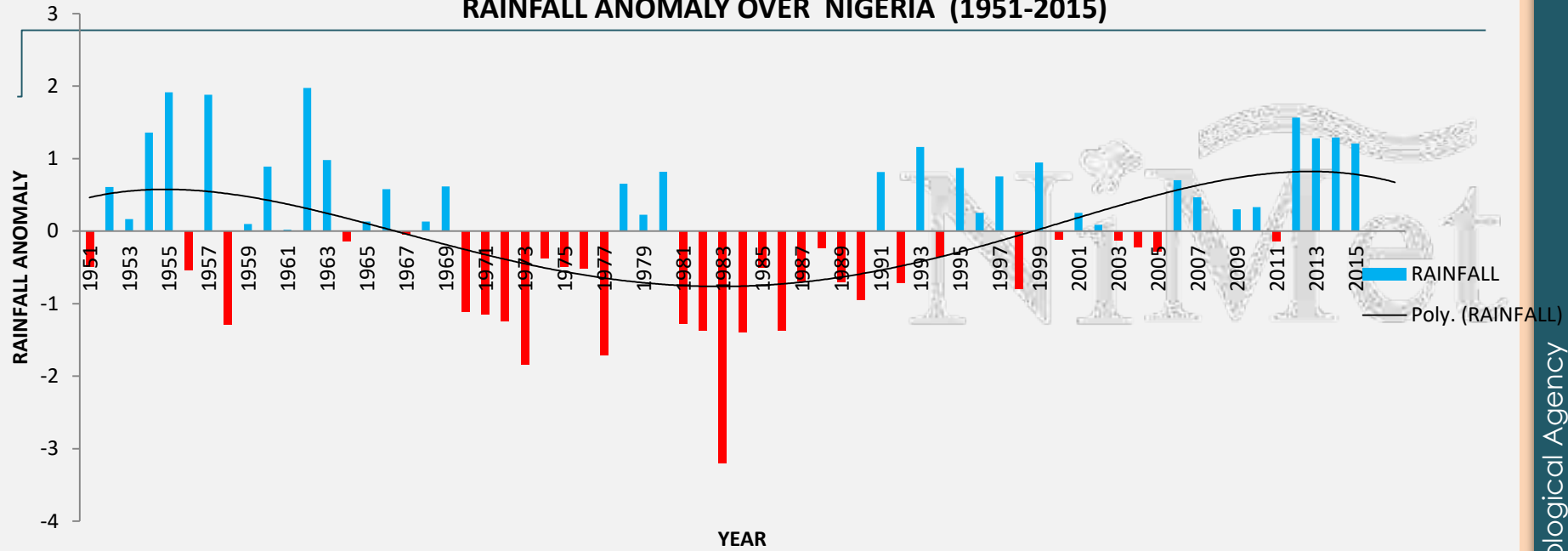
Objective

The objective is to provide timely information in advance of, or during, the early onset of drought to prompt action (via threshold triggers) within a drought risk management plan as a means of reducing potential impacts. A diligent, integrated, approach is vital for monitoring such a slow-onset hazard.

The Role of NIMET

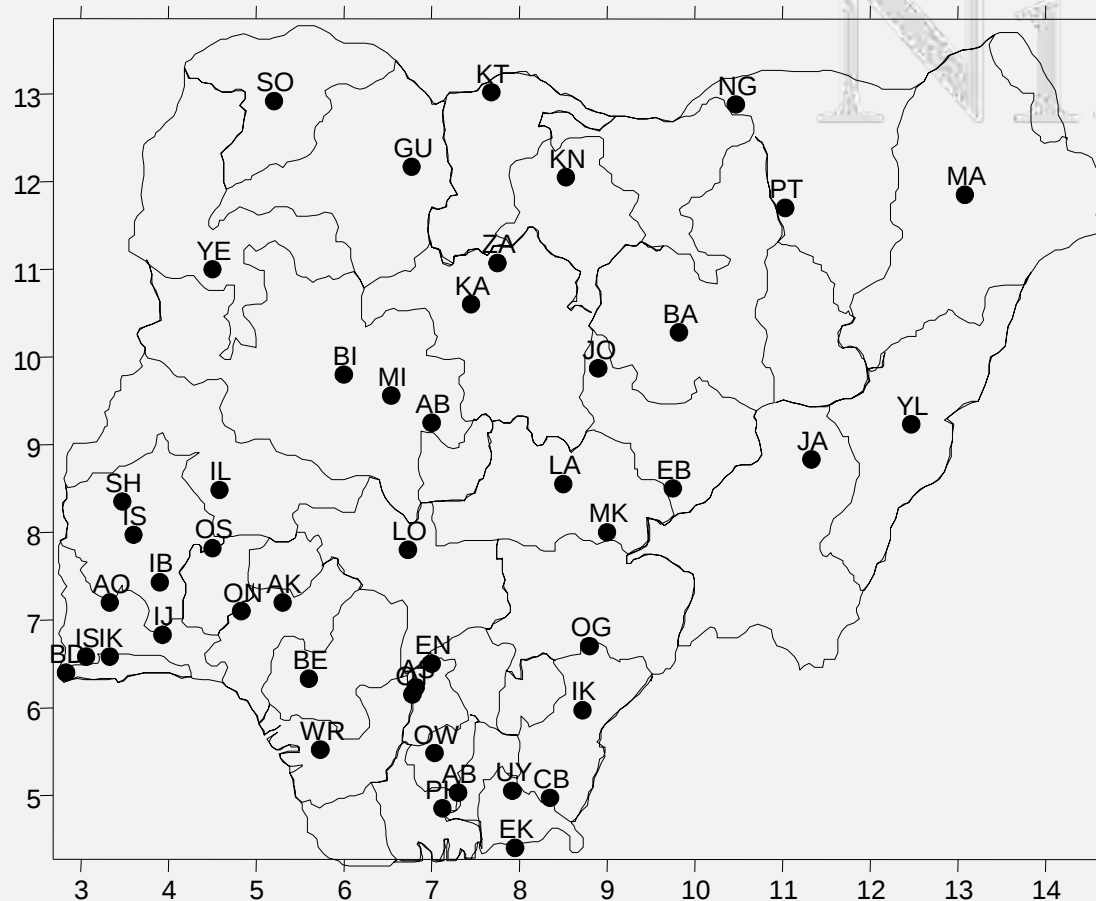
The Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NIMET) drought and flood monitoring bulletin was developed based on the drought indices using Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI), it aims at monitoring the intensity (degree of wetness or dryness), duration and spatial extent of a location within Nigeria using observed in – situ data on 1 month, 3 months, 6 months and 12 months' timescale.

RAINFALL ANOMALY OVER NIGERIA (1951-2015)



STATION NETWORK DENSITY

Nigeria is home to about 186 million people covering 923,000 Sq KM





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PREAMBLE

The Drought and Flood Monitoring Bulletin for January, 2014 is prepared using the Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI) technique. The maps presented are respectively: the 1-month (Jul. Jan. 2014), the 3-months (Nov.2013 - Jan. 2014), the 6-months (Aug. 2013 - Jan. 2014) and the 12-months (Feb. 2013 - Jan. 2014) SPIs. These maps show rainfall variations along with degrees of wetness and dryness across the country.



Fig. 1: 1-Month Standardized Precipitation Index (for meteorological and agricultural drought)



Fig.2: 3-Months Standardized Precipitation Index (for meteorological and agricultural drought)

OBSERVED CLIMATIC FEATURES

The one-month Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI) analysis in fig. 1 reveals, normal rainfall levels in most parts of the country. However, few places like Cross River and parts of Port Harcourt experienced mild dryness while some areas in the South and Central states recorded above normal rainfall with mild to severe wetness, over Abia, Akwa Ibom and Imo.

Mild to-severe wet conditions were also evident over the South as shown in the 3-month SPI analysis (Fig. 2). The affected areas comprise parts, Cross River, Port Harcourt, Owerri, Enugu, Anambra, Imo, Delta, Lagos, Akwa Ibom, parts of Oshun State extending to Minna. This is due to cumulative effect of previous three months of rainfall amount. Normal conditions prevailed over the remaining parts of the country.

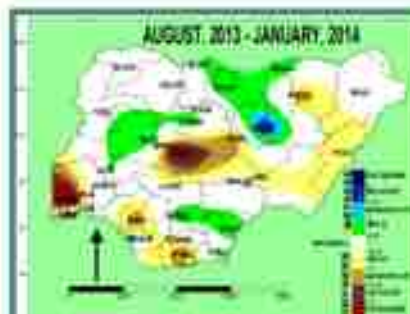


Fig. 3: 6-Months Standardized Precipitation Index (for Groundwater drought)

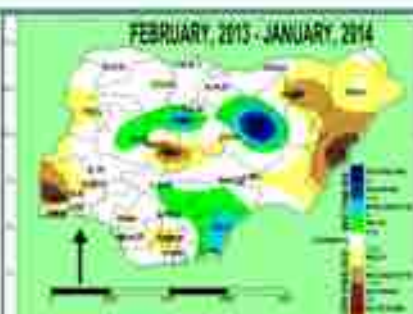


Fig. 4: 12-Months Standardized Precipitation Index (for stream flow and lake storage drought)

Fig.3 which is the 6-month SPI map for groundwater monitoring revealed former-to-dry conditions over significant portions of the country with persisting mid-to-severe dryness over the central and south-western parts as was observed in November, 2013. As such, these areas including parts of the central states may be exposed to possible threats of ground water depletion, such practice includes Port Harcourt, Yola, Ibadan, Akwa Ibom, Imo, Benin and Port Harcourt. Hence, the need for residents around these areas to tap the resource with caution. However, few areas such as, Borno, Kaduna, Kano, Gunder and Sokoto in the North and Enugu and Owerri in the South experienced mild to severe wetness.

The 12-month SPI (fig.4) shows analysis for stream flow and lake storage monitoring. It reveals persisting mid-to-severe dry conditions over the northeastern and southwestern parts such as Port Harcourt, Akwa Ibom, Yola, Ibadan, Gunder and Yewa in the North and Ibadan, Akwa Ibom, Lagos, Benin and Owerri in the South. On the other hand, mid-to-severe wet conditions prevailed over a few areas like Borno, Minna, Kaduna, Sokoto, Kano, parts of Niger and Zambezi.

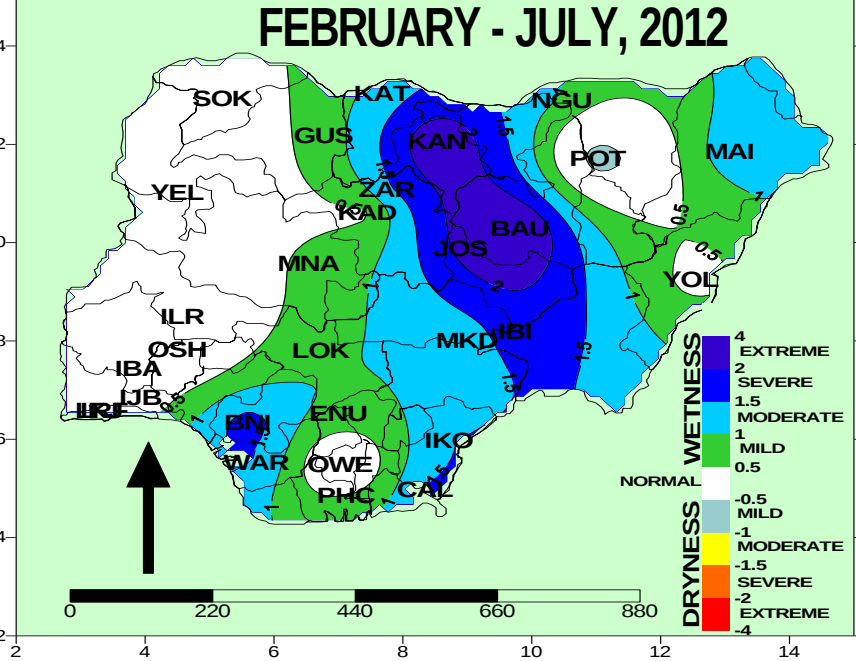
CLIMATE OUTLOOK FOR FEBRUARY, 2014

Persisting and worse spread dry conditions are likely over the country with possibility of hydrological drought. This may reduce, moderate, dams and hydropower generating activities due to low flow trends over rivers and streams arising from rainfall shortage. Also, water resources (rivers, lakes, wetlands and groundwater) may be threatened due to unstable hydrological regime and decreased recharge.

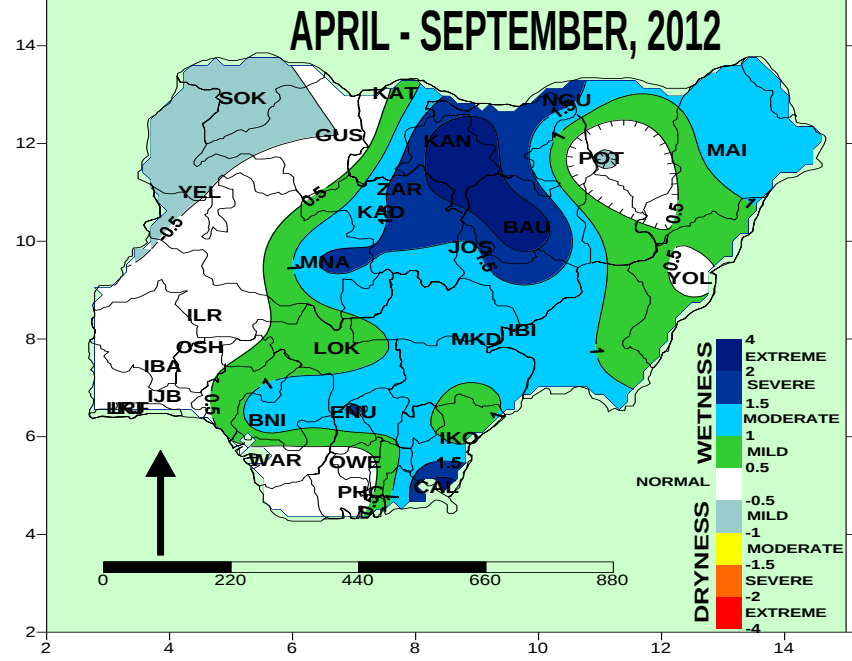
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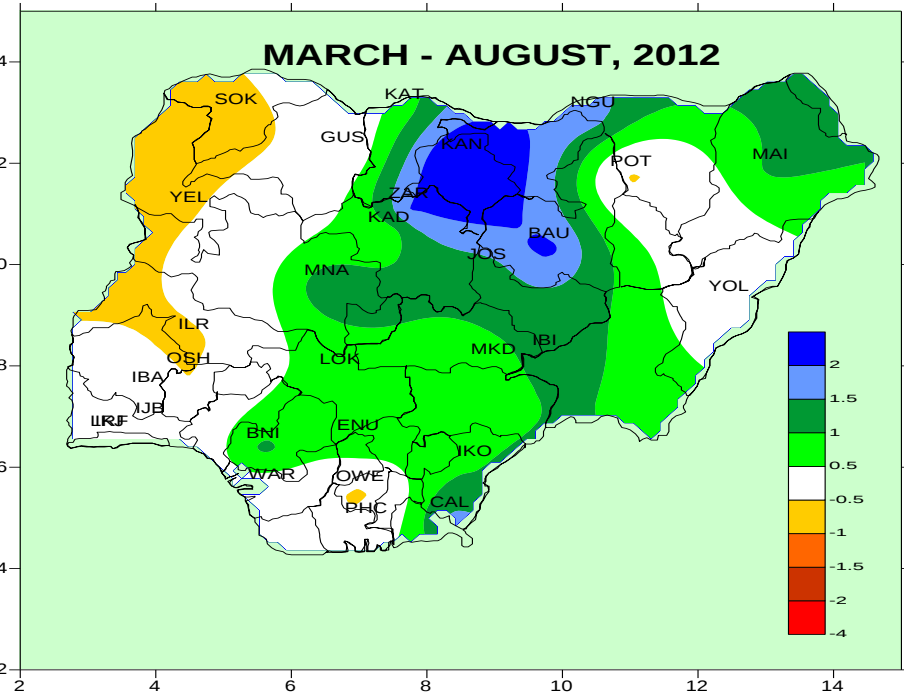
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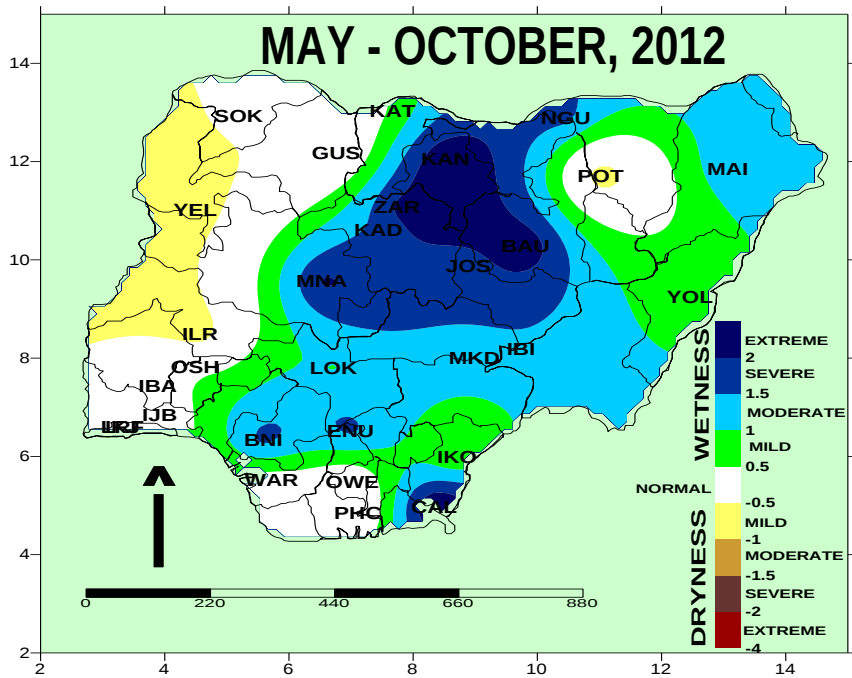
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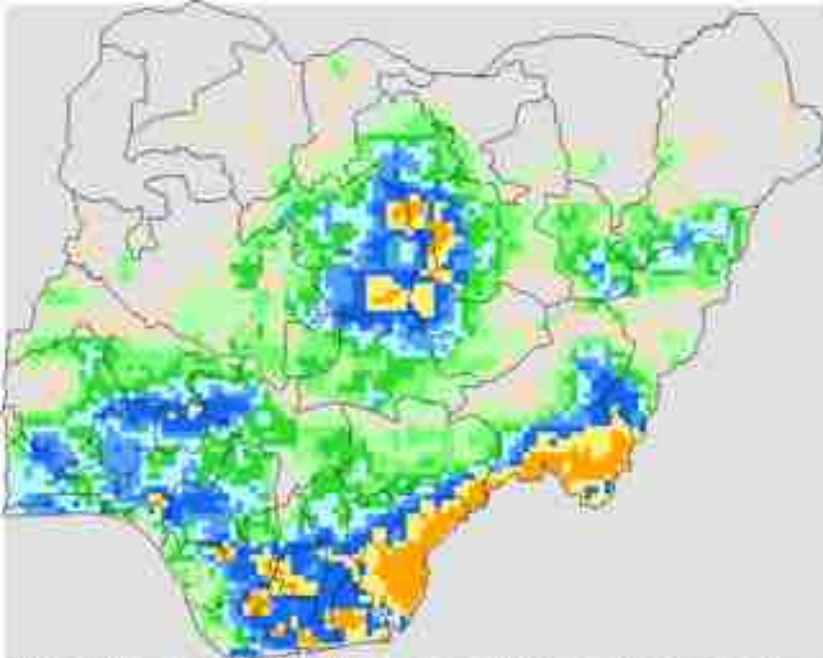


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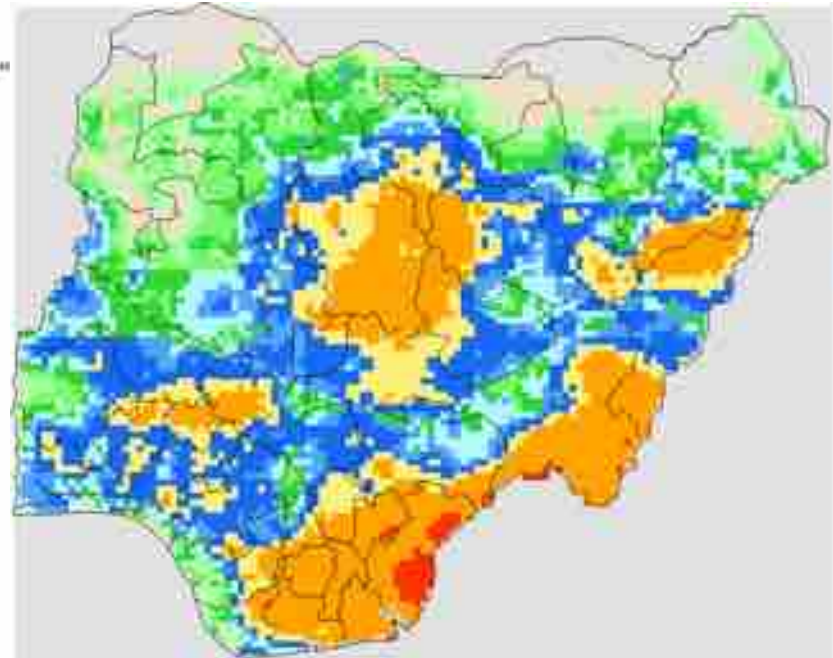


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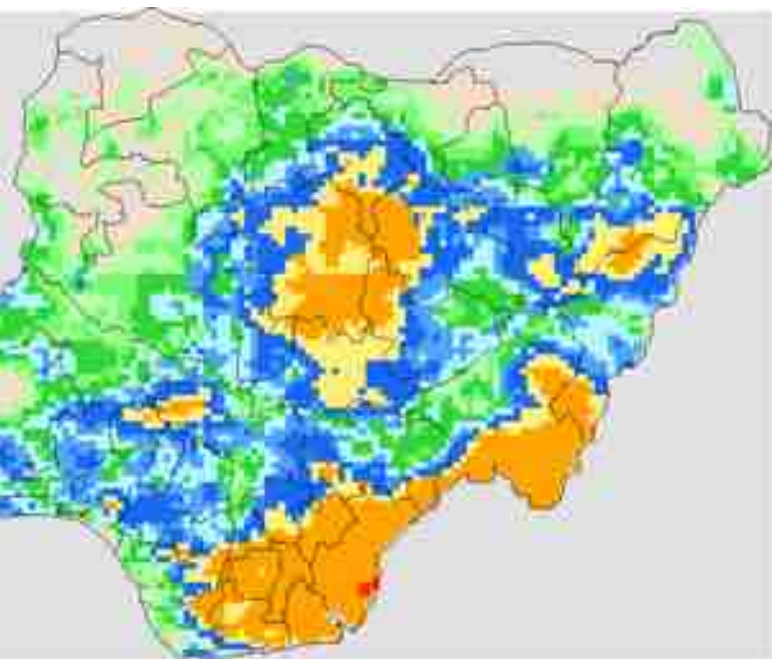




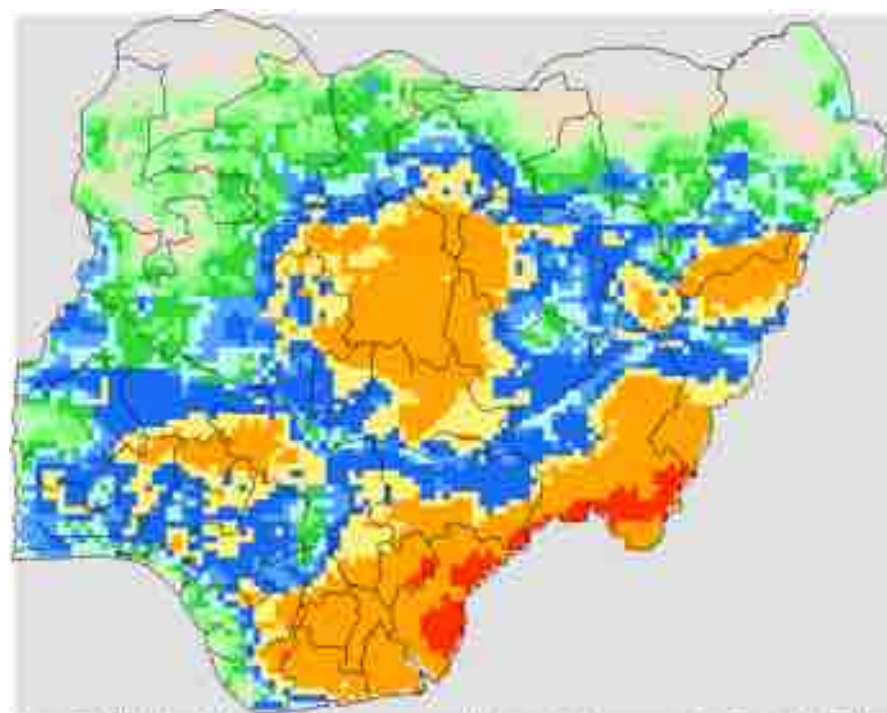
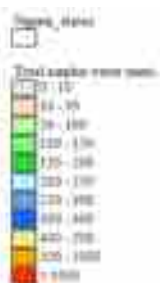
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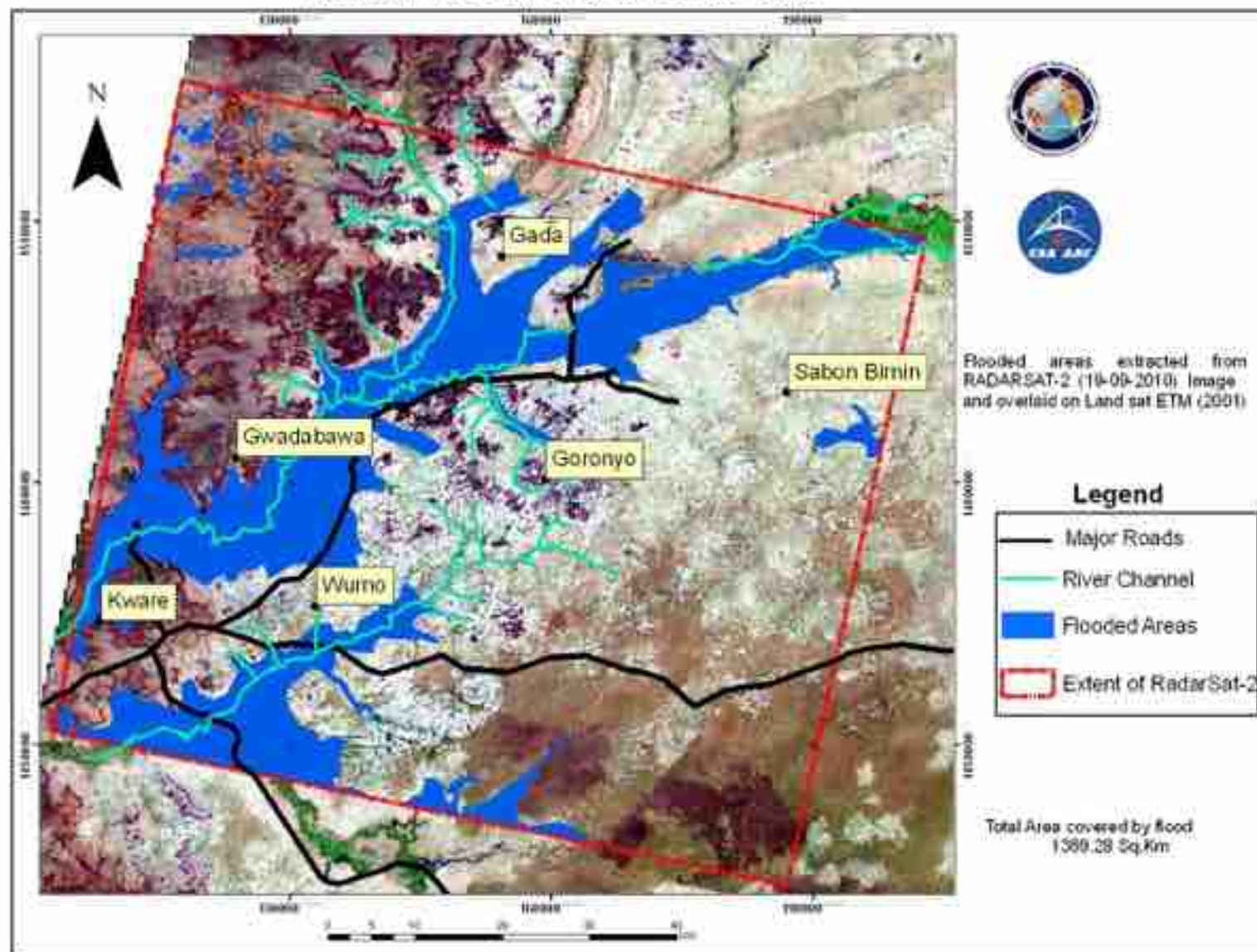


Watershed Total Water Supplies for 2017 season assessed on basis of survey on or before 1 of October 2017

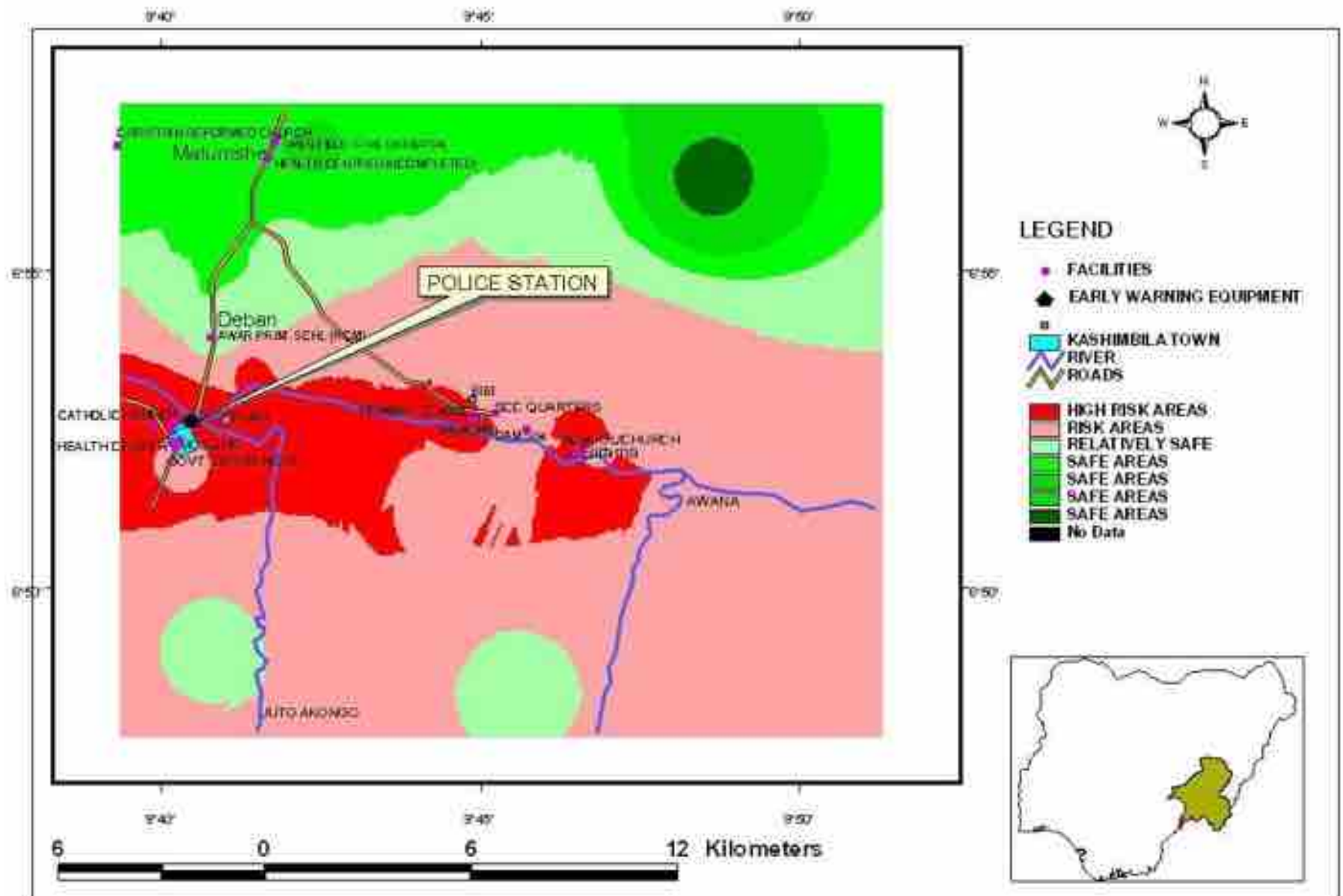
2012 Flood in Nigeria

- The unprecedented flood that ravaged parts of Nigeria between July and December 2012
- Affected over 7 million people
- Displaced 2.3 million people
- Killed 363 persons
- Destroyed or damaged about 597,476 houses in 34 States.
- Total value of damage and losses across all sectors was estimated at N2.6 trillion (\$16.9 billion).
- The overall impact of the flood on real GDP growth was estimated at 1.4 percent i.e. N570 billion in nominal terms (PDNA Report, 2012).

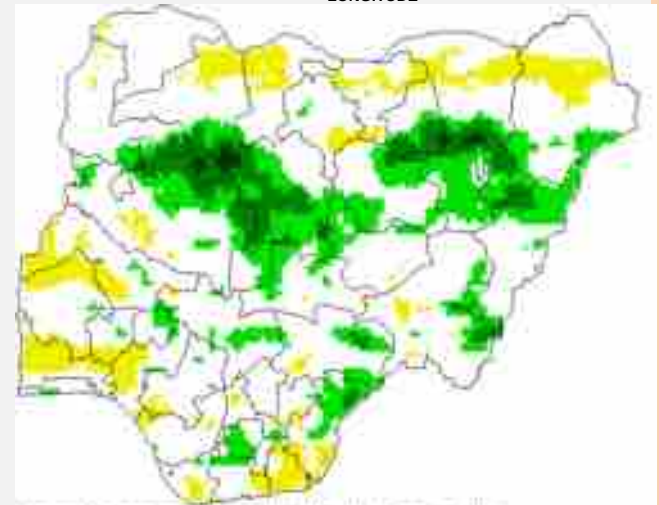
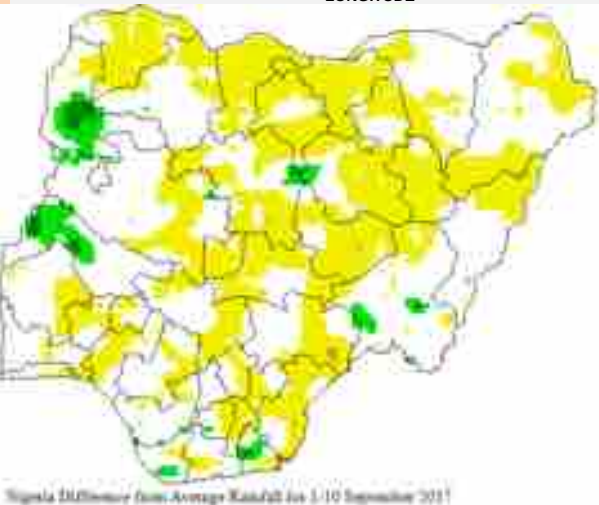
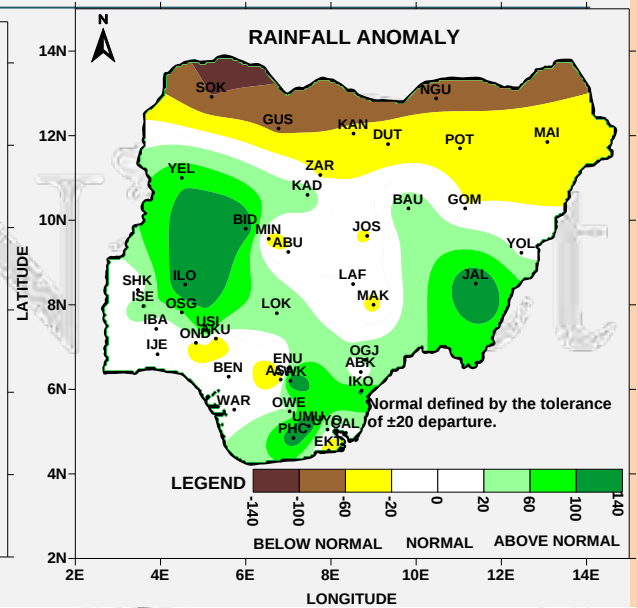
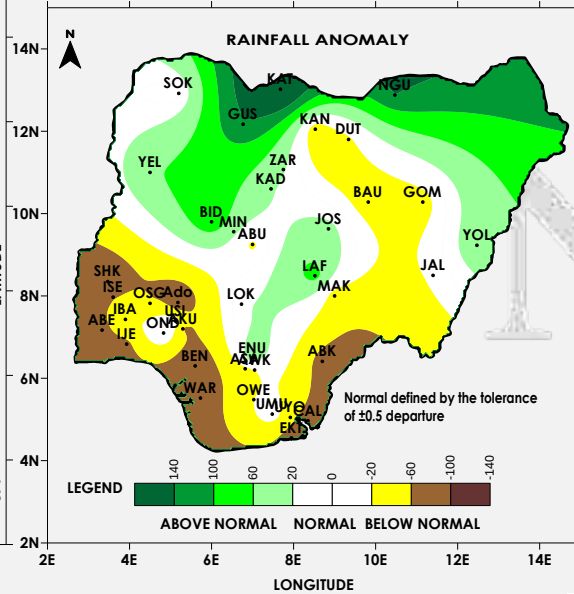
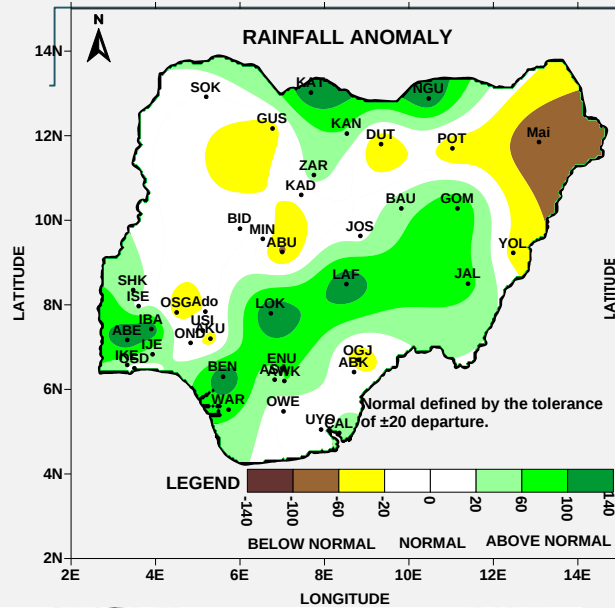
Flooded Areas in Parts of Sokoto State



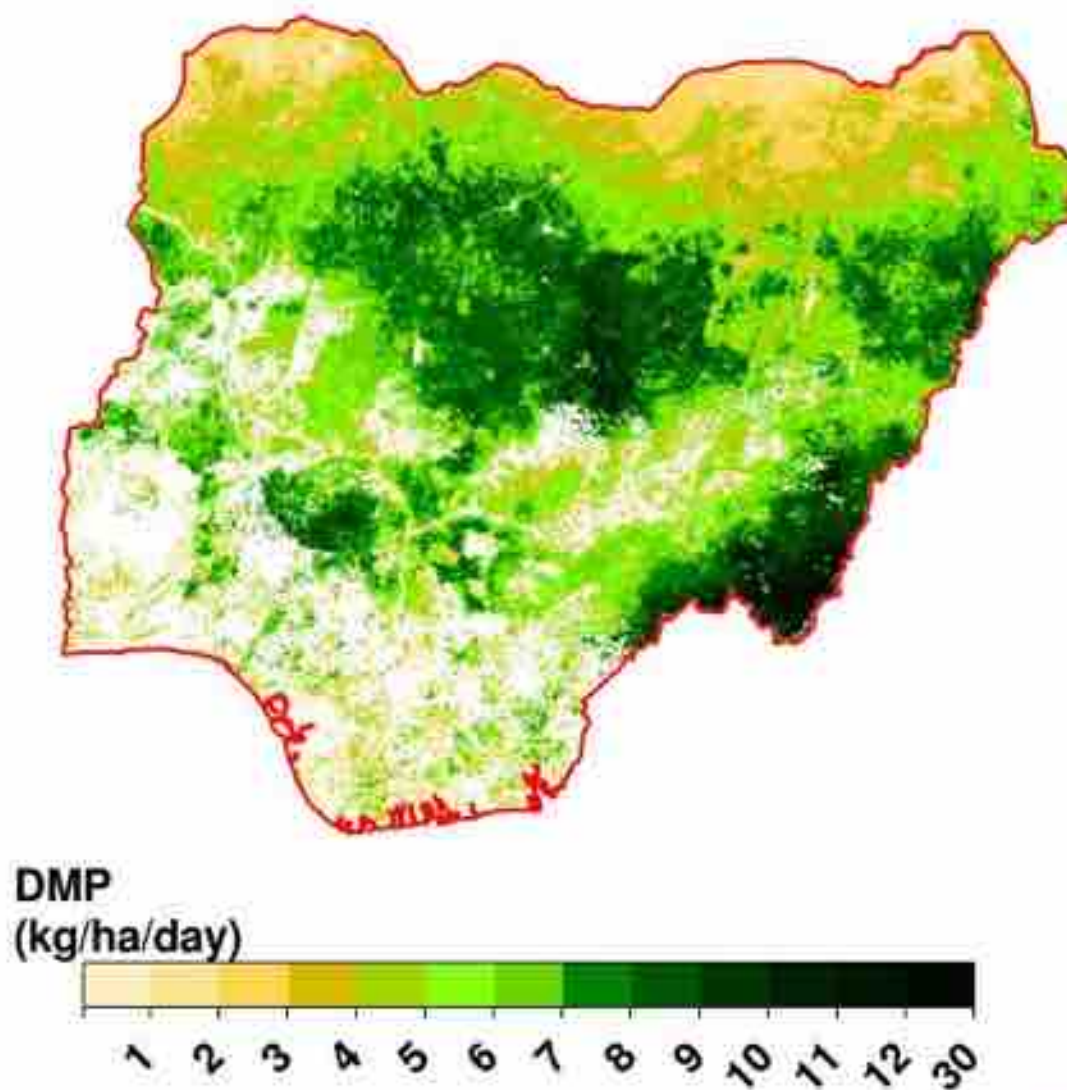
Flood Risk & Critical Infrastructure Map of Kashimbila District, Taraba State - Nigeria



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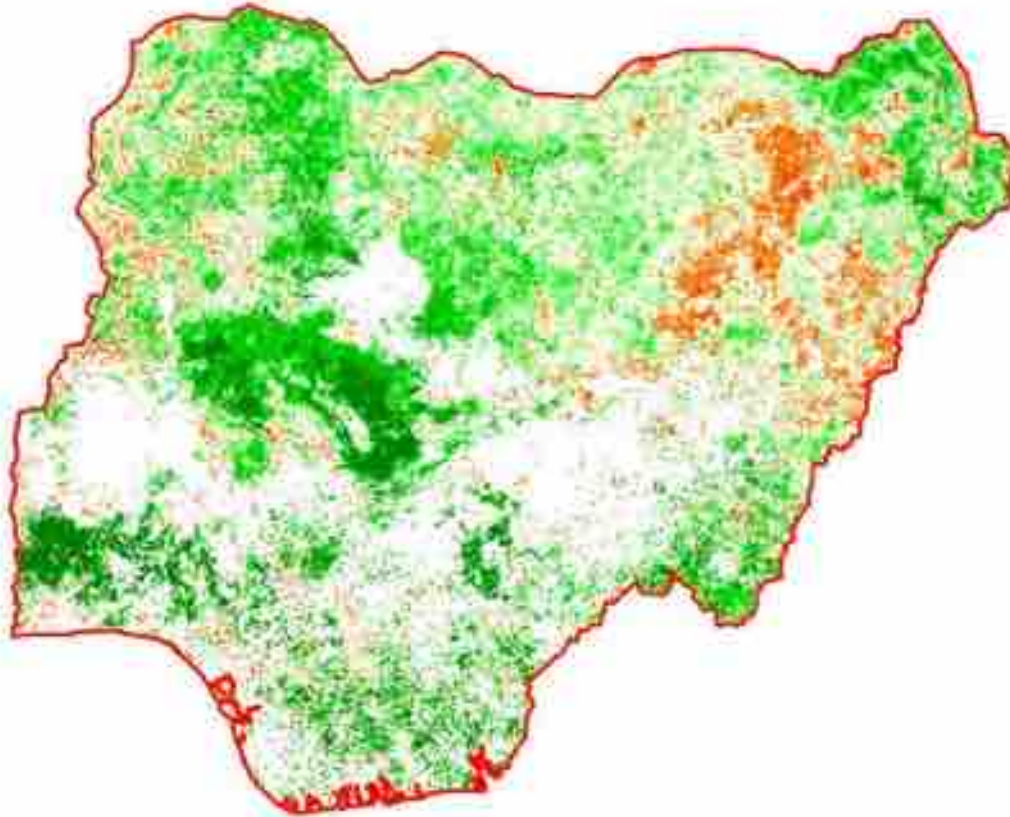
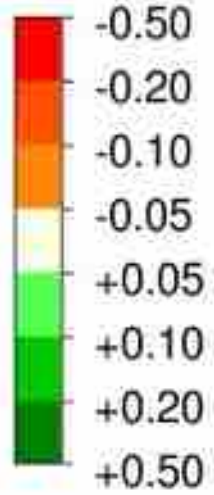


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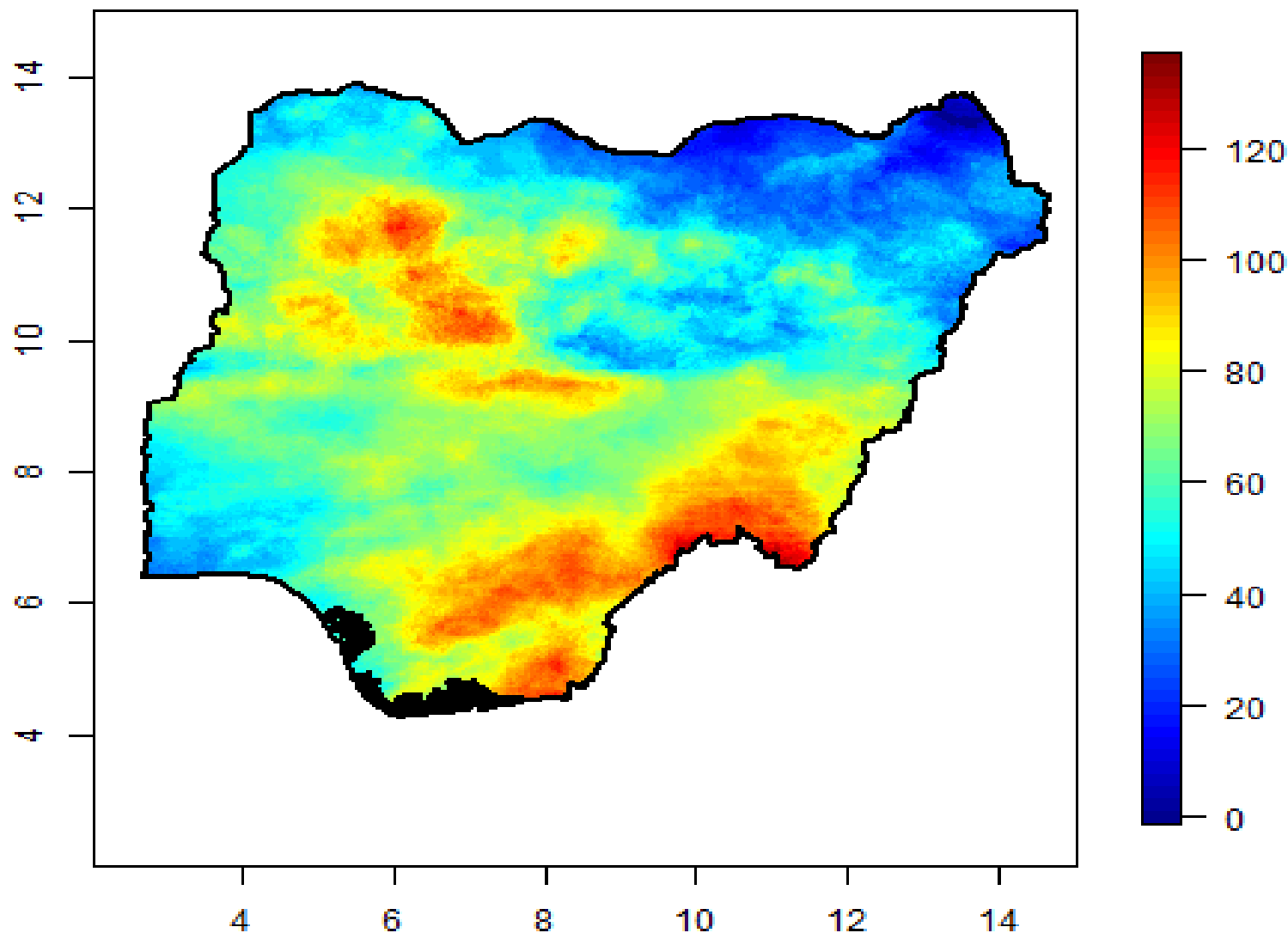


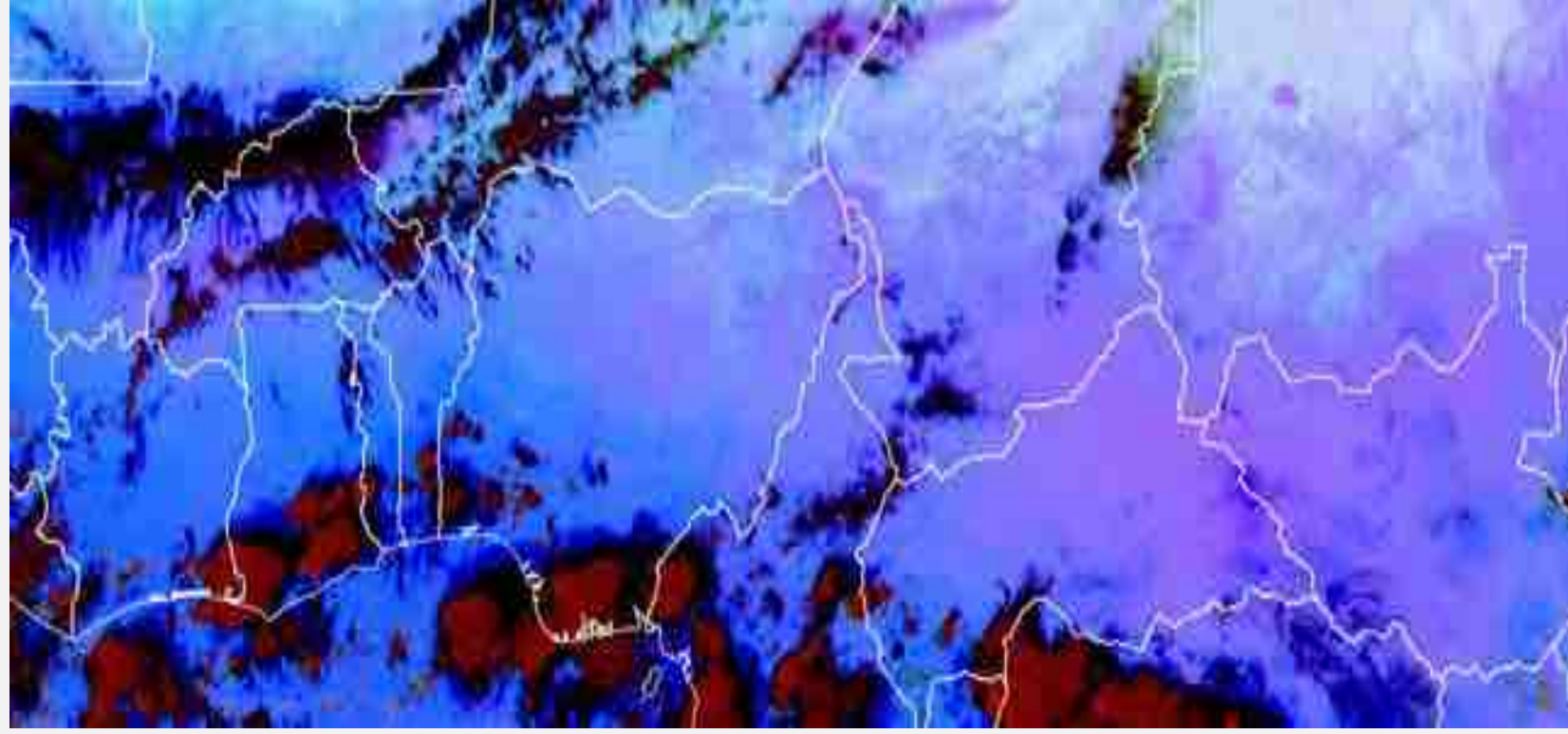
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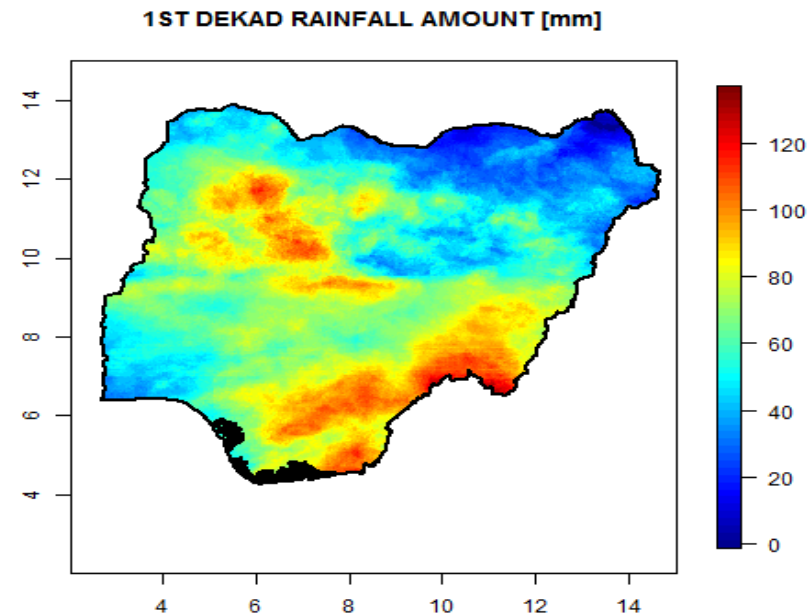
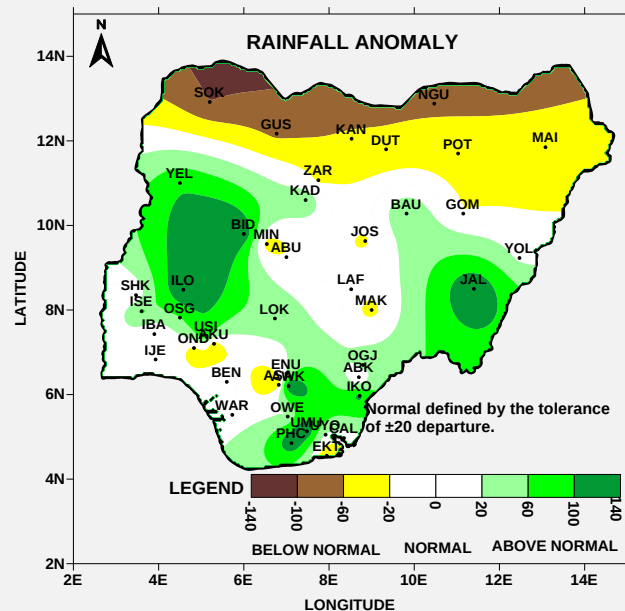




The need for satellite data to support in situ data

1. Spatial resolution to fill the gaps
2. Temporal resolution

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