

**Landslide Mitigation and Management using  
Different Techniques and Methods : An Indian  
Scenario**

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# THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005.

"Disaster" means a catastrophe, mishap, calamity or grave occurrence in any area, arising from natural or man made causes, or by accident or negligence which results in substantial loss of life or human suffering or damage to, and destruction of, property, or damage to, or degradation of, environment, and is of such a nature or magnitude as to be beyond the coping capacity of the community of the affected area;

# DISASTER MANAGEMENT

- ✘ "Disaster management" means a continuous and integrated process of planning,
- ✘ organising, coordinating and implementing measures which are necessary or expedient for–
- ✘ (i) Prevention of danger or threat of any disaster;
- ✘ (ii) Mitigation or reduction of risk of any disaster or its severity or consequences;
- ✘ (iii) Capacity-building;
- ✘ (iv) Preparedness to deal with any disaster;
- ✘ (v) Prompt response to any threatening disaster situation or disaster;
- ✘ (vi) Assessing the severity or magnitude of effects of any disaster;
- ✘ (vii) Evacuation, rescue and relief;
- ✘ (viii) Rehabilitation and reconstruction.
- ✘ "Mitigation" means measures aimed at reducing the risk, impact

# INDIAN INTEREST IN LANDSLIDE STUDIES

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- Initially Landslide was not considered as Disaster in India
- Malpa Landslide Tragedy (11 and 17 August 1998 in Pithoragarh district of Uttarkhand about 380 people were killed when massive landslides washed away the entire village. Dead included 60 pilgrims on their way to Kailash Mansarovar Lake in Tibet.
- Indian Ocean Tsunami of 26 December 2004 led to development of EW for Tsunami.
- Formation of NDMA, Govt of India is trying its level best to spread awareness about disasters and for preparing country to face disasters to reduce loss of life and property.
- Since Disaster in Uttarakhand 2013 there has been a surge of interest in developing early warning systems for Landslides in India.

# DTRL'S WORK ON LANDSLIDES

- ❑ DTRL started working in the Himalays after Malpa Tragedy (1998) in Pithoragarh district of Uttarkhand
- ❑ DTRL studied some Landslides of Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh in 1998.
- ❑ During 1999 till date DTRL is actively working on landslides of the Himalayan region right from Tawang to Srinagar
- ❑ DTRL has completed two Technology Demonstration (TD) Projects for Border Road Organisation (BRO)
- ❑ DTRL is currently working jointly with Geological Survey of India (GSI) for Development of Instrumentation and Monitoring of landslides for Early Warning System in India.
- ❑ DTRL has recently successfully conducted a National Seminar on Landslides LAMAMIS-2015 during Feb 15

## LANDSLIDE ACTIVITIES OF DTRL TILL DATE.....

- ❑ Landslide Inventory for Sikkim Himalayas & North Eastern States, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttrakhand has been prepared.
- ❑ Landslide Hazard Zonation maps for Sikkim Himalayas & North Eastern States Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttrakhand has been prepared.
- ❑ Two Landslides Atlases for Sikkim Himalayas & North Eastern States published & handed over to BRO.
- ❑ Detailed Investigation & Monitoring done at *9<sup>th</sup> Mile, B2 & Lanta Khola* Landslides in Sikkim Himalayas.
- ❑ A Real Time Early Warning System has been established at Tangni Landslide Site in Uttrakhand for the first time in Country in the Himalayan region.
- ❑ Eight Landslide Atlases are being published.
- ❑ Handbook on Control Measures is also being published

# LANDSLIDE : MOST COMMON DISASTER IN INDIA

- ✘ Landslide, a frequently occurring natural hazard in the hilly terrains of India
- ✘ Mostly active during the monsoon period from July to September and after the snow fall from January to March.
- ✘ Earthquakes also cause triggering of landslide,
- ✘ Nearly 15% of India's landmass or 0.49 million sq km area is prone to landslide hazard. This includes the Arakan Yoma ranges, the Himalaya, Nilgiri, Ranchi Plateau and Eastern & Western Ghats. 20 States of India are affected by different degrees of landslide hazard.
- ✘ Sikkim and Mizoram Extreme
- ✘ Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Manipur high to very high landslide hazard classes.
- ✘ Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Goa, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala constitute low to moderate hazard prone

# LAMAMIS-2015 6-7 FEB 2015

- × NATIONAL SEMINAR ON LANDSLIDES: MANAGEMENT & MITIGATION STRATEGIES (LAMAMIS-2015)
- × DTRL , Delhi, India
- × 05-06 February 2015
- × 200 DELEGATES PARTICIPATED
  - EWS for landslides must be developed using Wireless sensors in conjunction with conventional Sensors
- × Every Institute /Organisation should adopt a landslide
- × Bio-engineering Methods using aboriginal species must be used to stabilise landslides
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# LANDSLIDES OF NORTH EAST AND SIKKIM HIMALAYAS



B2 on North Sikkim highway



9<sup>th</sup> Mile Landslide on NH - 39

# Landslides of Rishikesh-Badrinath Road, Uttarakhand

Several landslides were inspected and one landslide located at Tangni Village was selected for the present study





# Landslides of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand



Wangtu – Pooh – Kaurik Route



Tanakpur-Pithoragarh-Malpa Route



Dharasu – Yamunotri Route  
Landslide



Kaliasaur landslide on Rishikesh  
– Badreenath Route

# Malin Landslide in Pune, Western Ghat



Chandrakant Zhanjare, who lost 13 members of his family, breaks down as he sits on an uprooted tree at landslide-hit Malin village in Pune on Friday



Rescuers search for survivors among the debris of houses at landslide-hit Malin village in Pune Maharashtra on Friday | PTI Photo



Some 40 of the 70 homes in Malin have been buried in the landslide



NDRF personnel stands at the site of a landslide at Malin village. Photo: Reuters

# Malin Landslide in Pune, Western Ghat



# DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES AND METHODS

- ✘ Creation of Landslide Hazard Zonation Maps
- ✘ Creation of Landslide Management Maps
- ✘ Regional Studies of Landslides
- ✘ Site Specific Studies of Landslides
- ✘ Control Measures for landslides
- ✘ Development of Early Warning System for different Landslides of India

# DTRL has created LHZ and LHM

<b>Route ID</b>	<b>Route Name</b>	<b>State</b>
R1	Rishikesh-Joshimath-Badrinath-Mana	Uttarakhand
R2	Rishikesh-Dharasu-Uttarkashi-Gangotri	Uttarakhand
R3	Dharasu-Yamunotri	Uttarakhand
R4	Tanakpur-Lohghat-Pithoragarh-Malpa	Uttarakhand
R5	Wangtu-Pooh-Kaurik	Himachal Pradesh
R6	Kulu-Manali-Leh-Pangyong-Chusul (including South Portal of Rohtang Pass)	Himachal Pradesh & J&K
R7	Jammu-Srinagar National Highway 1A	J & K
R8	Batote-Doda National Highway 1B	J & K



# TASKS INVOLVED IN LANDSLIDE HAZARD ZONATION

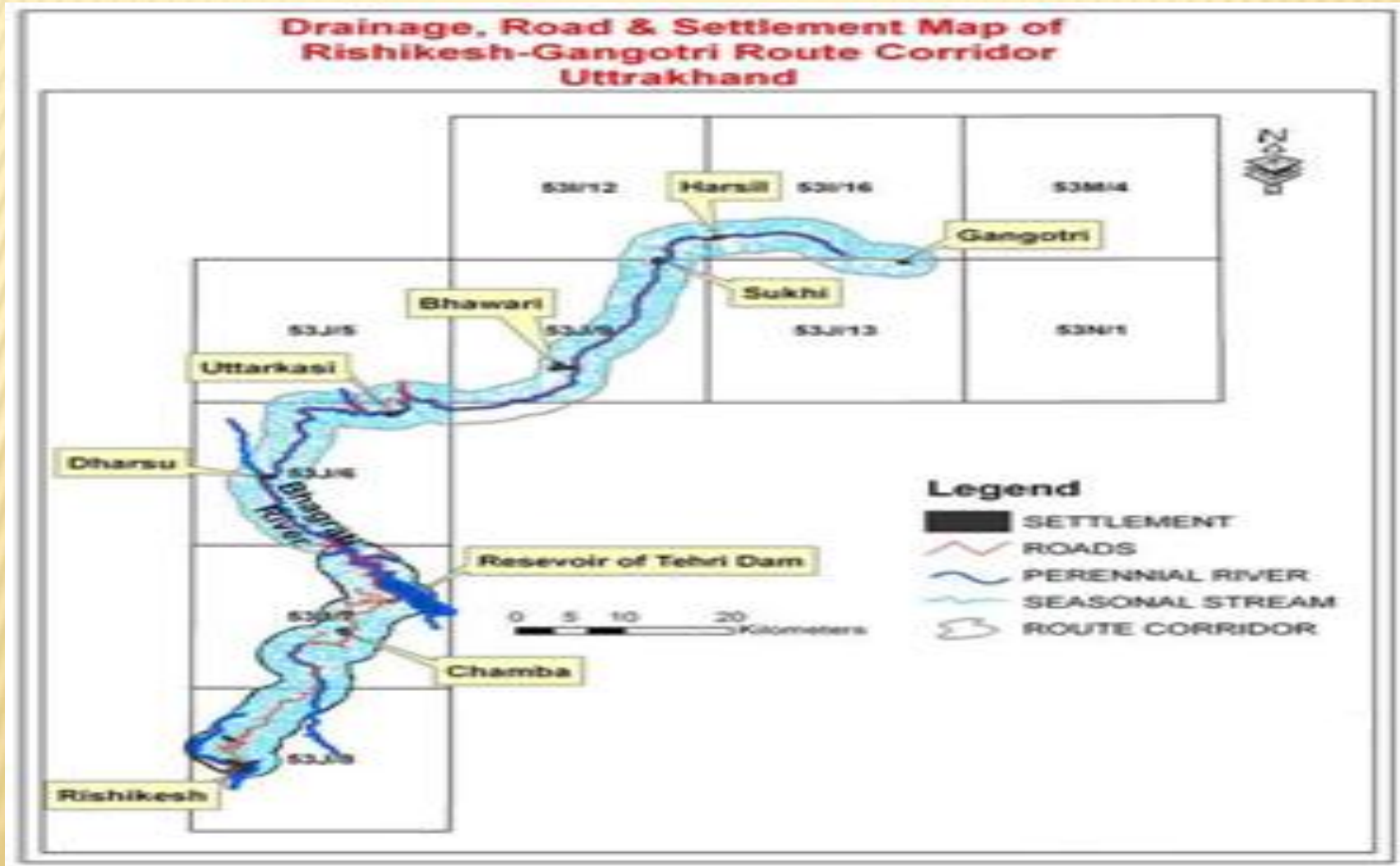
- ❖ Field reconnaissance to study area.
- ❖ Inventory and mapping of landslides.
- ❖ Preparation of thematic maps at 1:50,000 scale, namely, **Base Map, Fault, Lithology, Slope, and Anthropogenic Activity.**
- ❖ Study of factor of importance of different thematic parameters and categories.
- ❖ Preparation of LHZ and LHM maps.
- ❖ Classification, selection and characterization of one representative landslide along each route.
- ❖ Detailed mapping of selected landslide at 1:1000 scales.

# BASE MAP

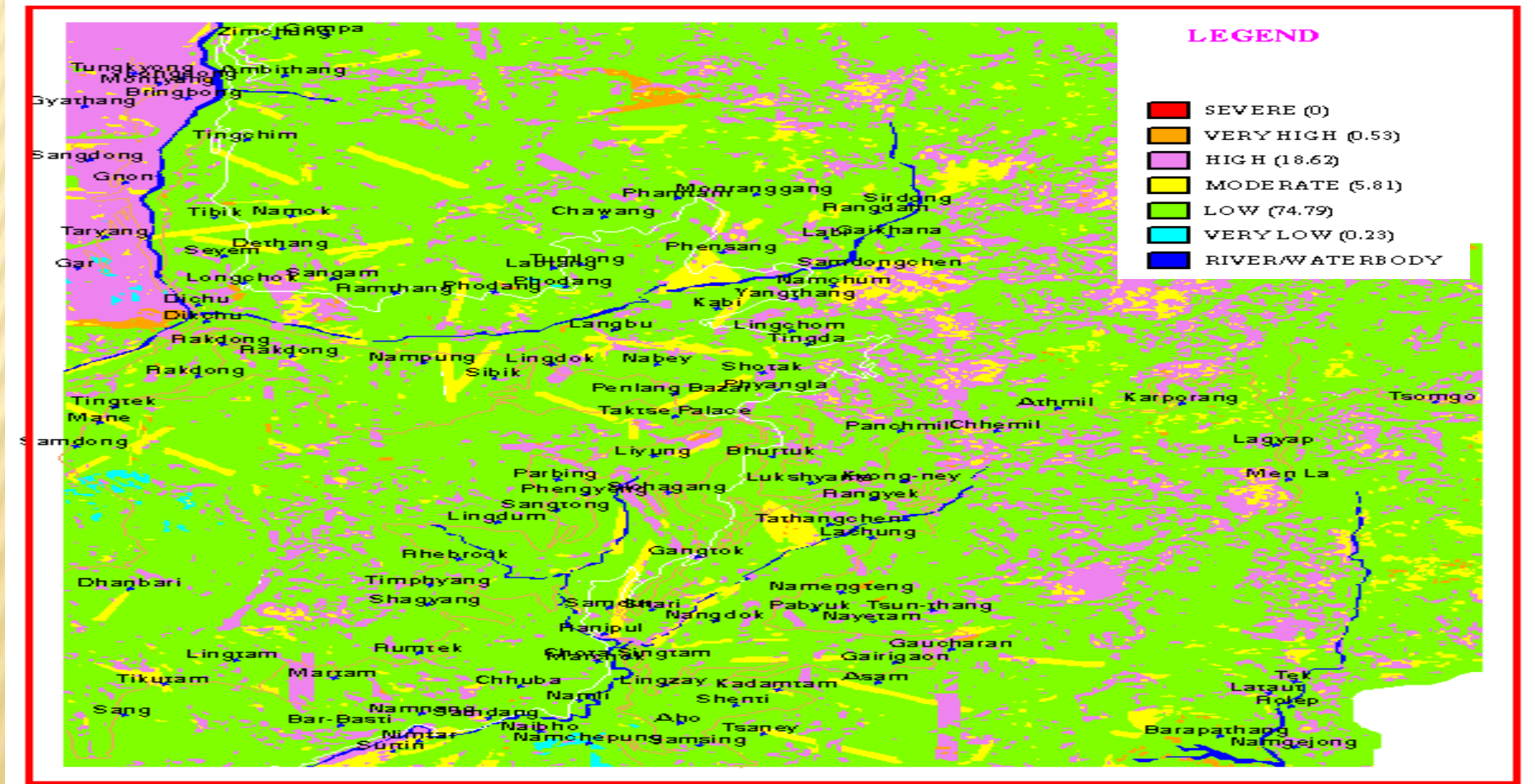




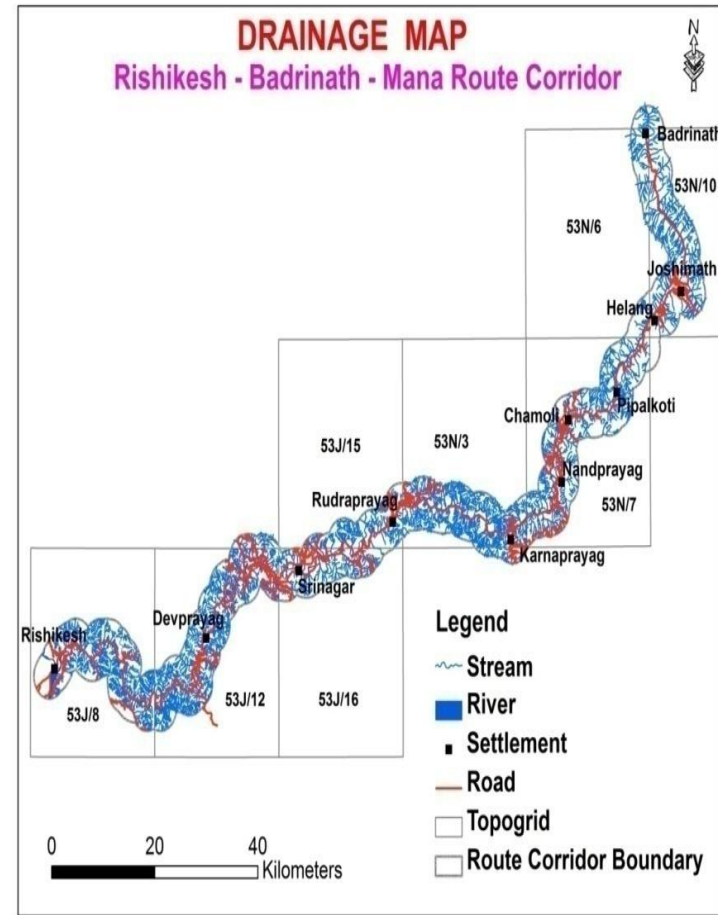
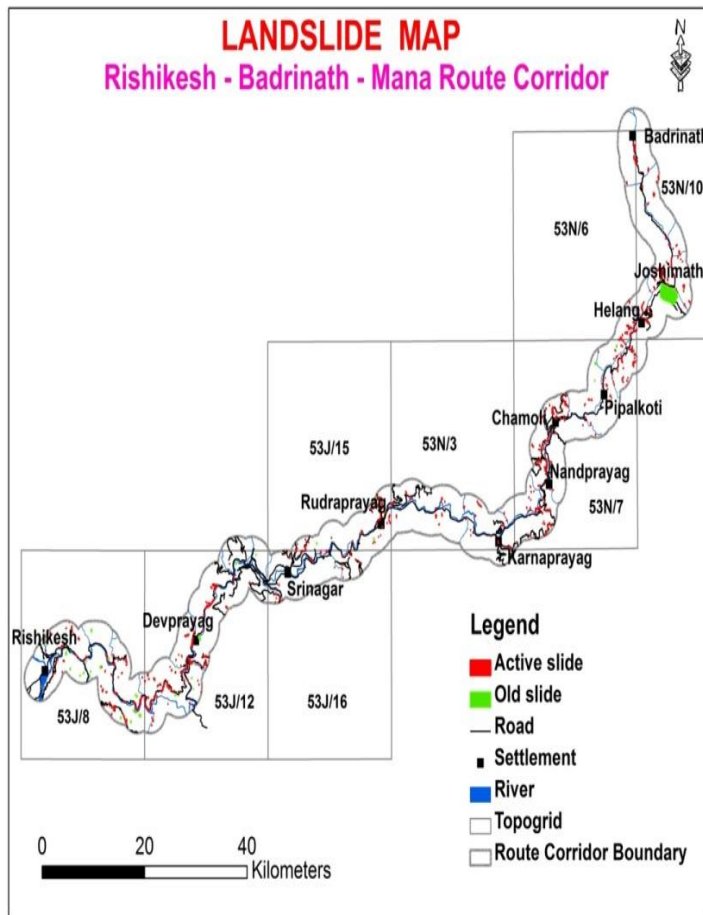
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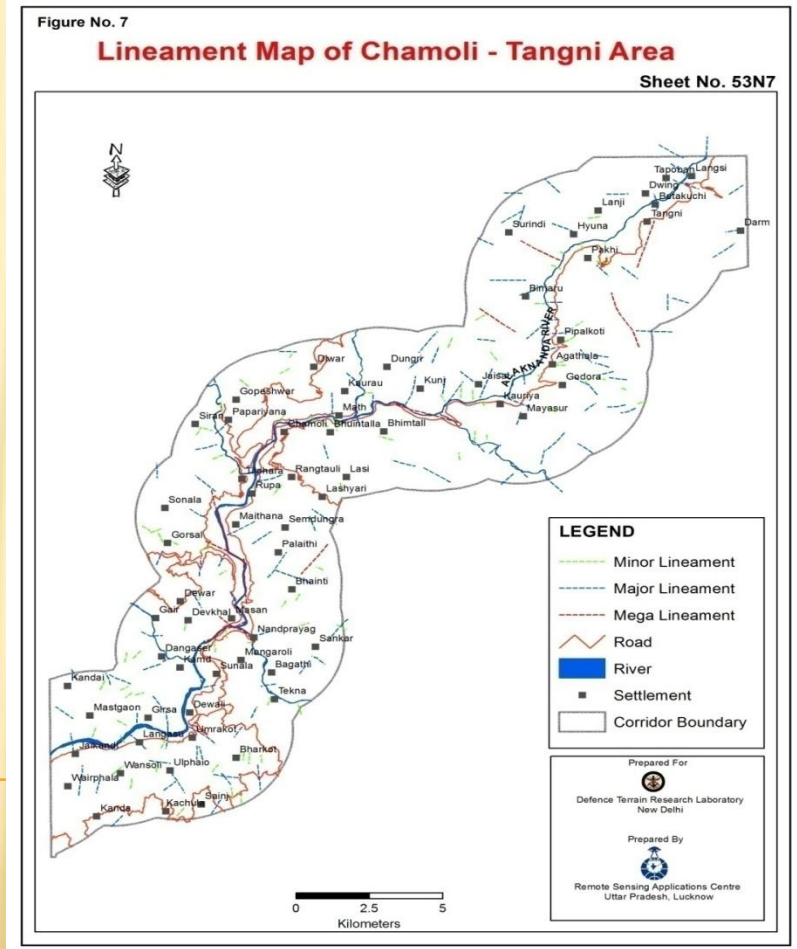
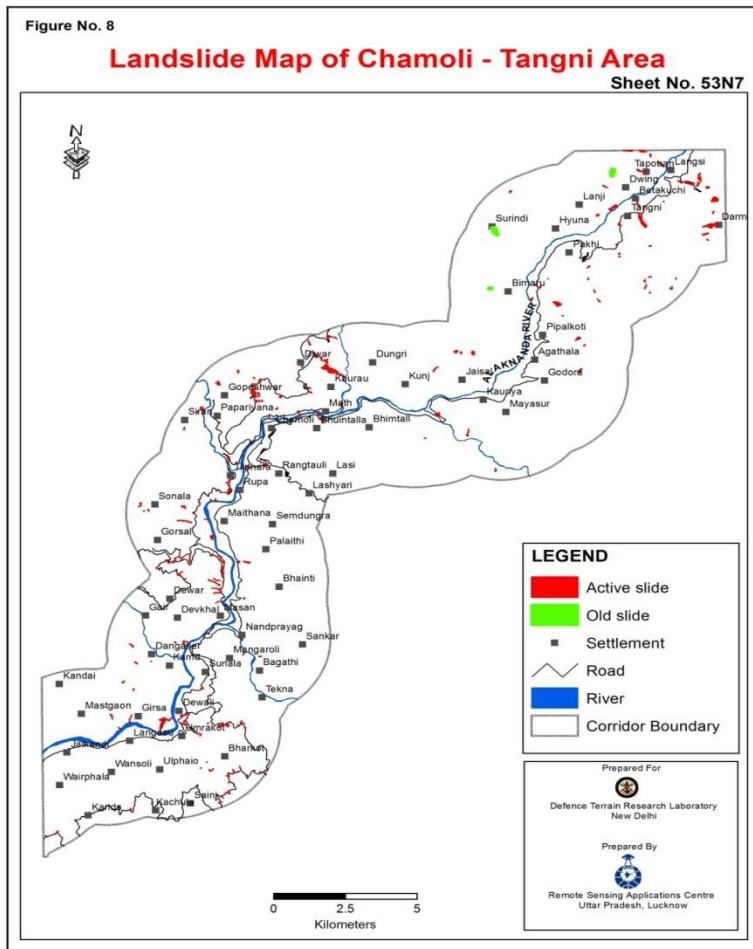
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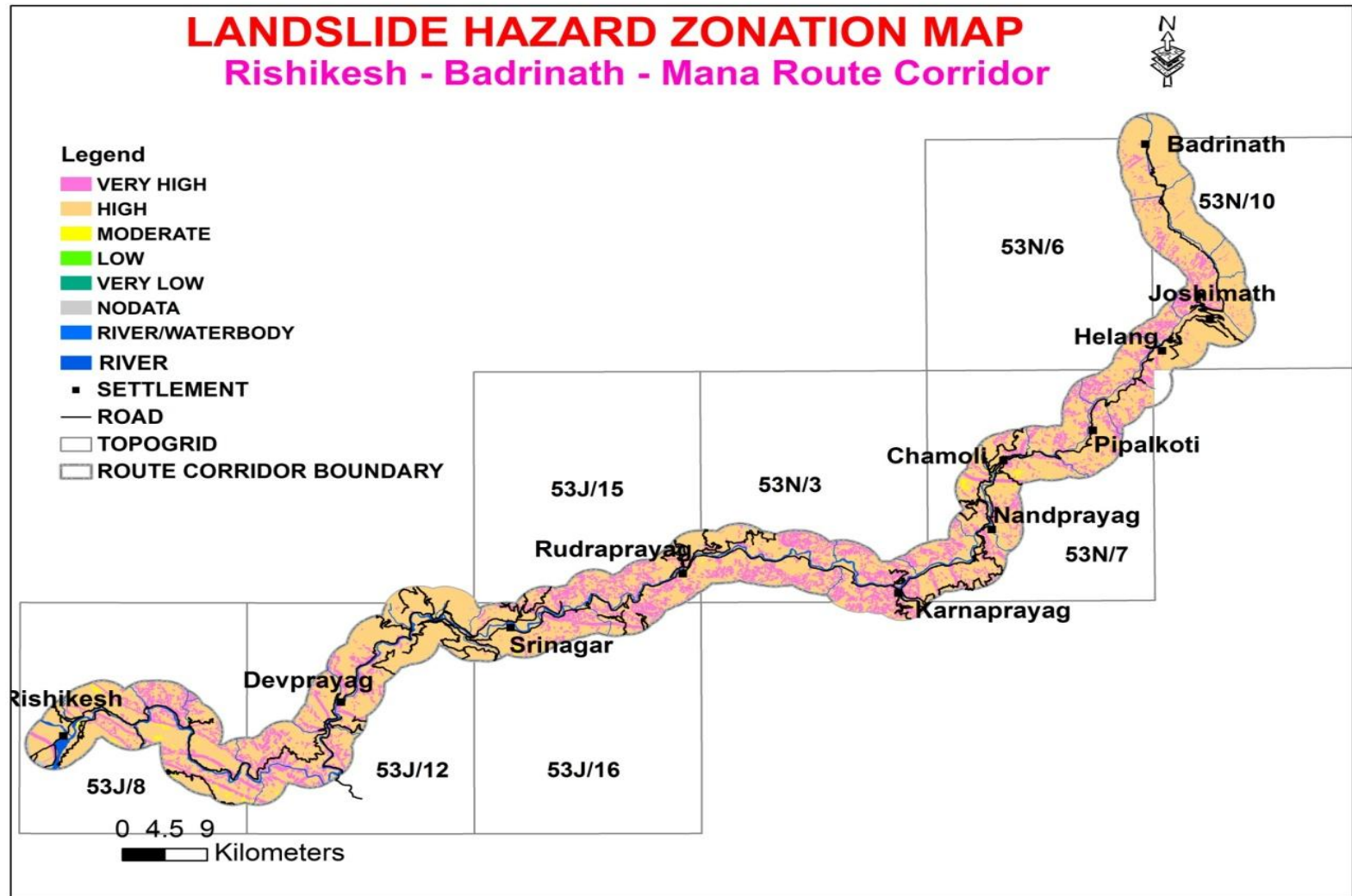
# LANDSLIDE AND DRAINAGE MAP



# LANDSLIDE & LINEAMENT MAP OF CHAMOLI



# LANDSLIDE HAZARD ZONATION MAP



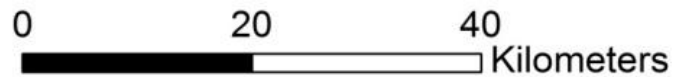
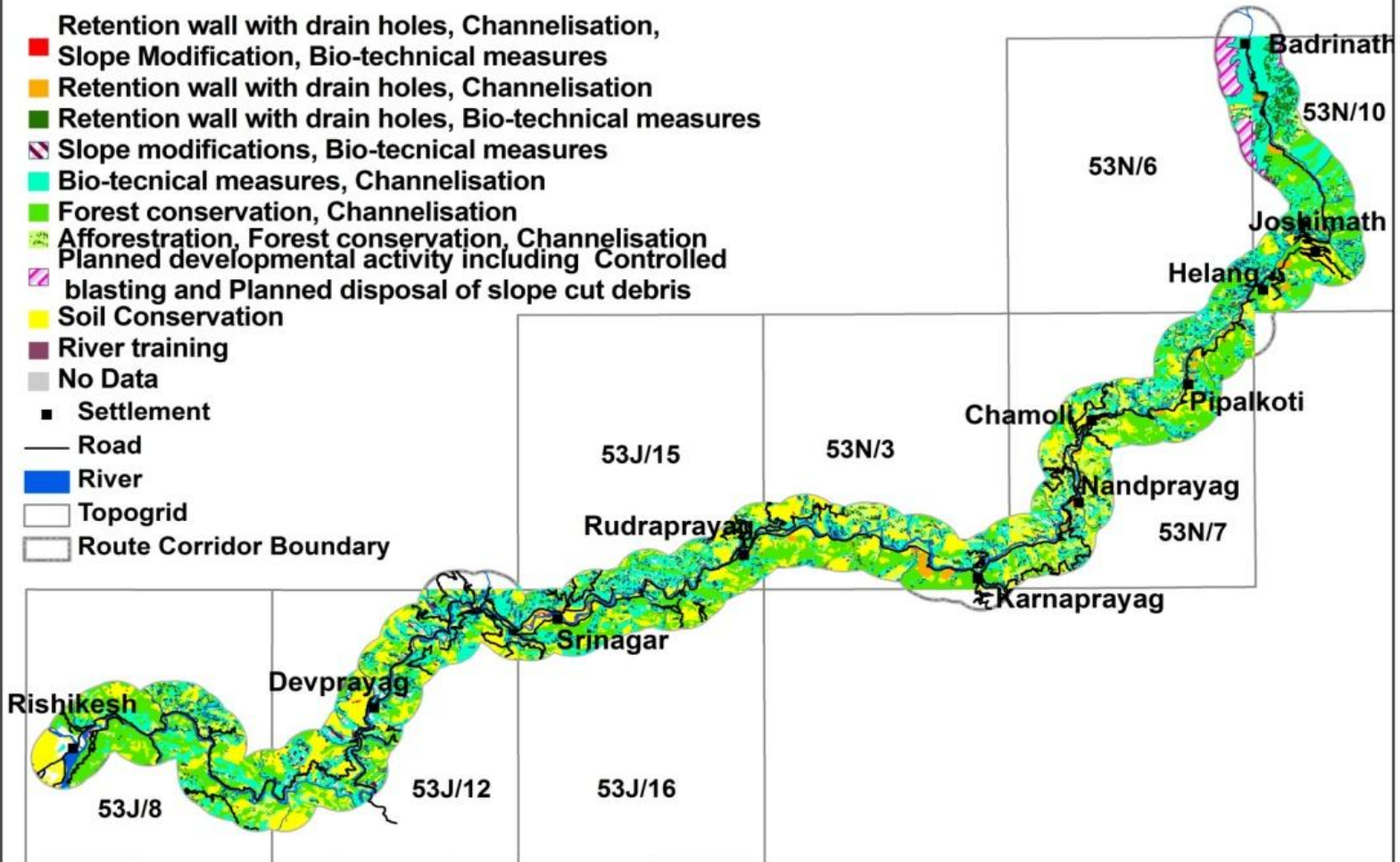


# LANDSLIDE HAZARD MANAGEMENT MAP

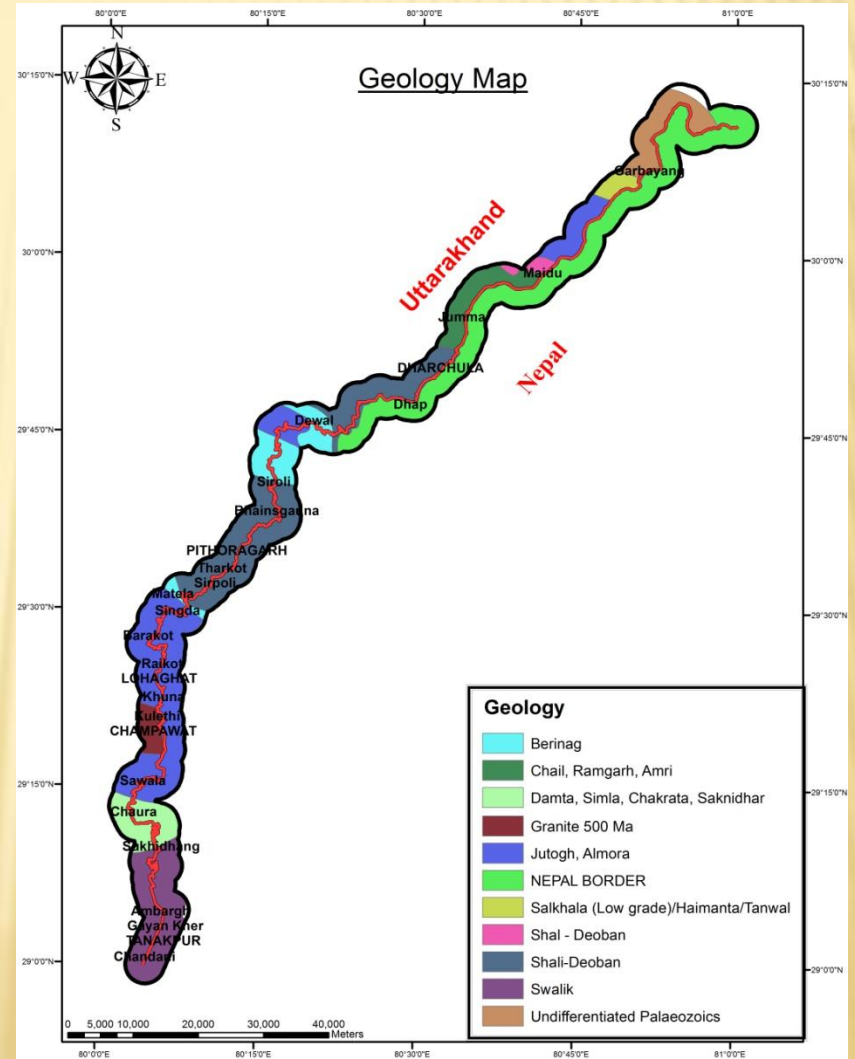
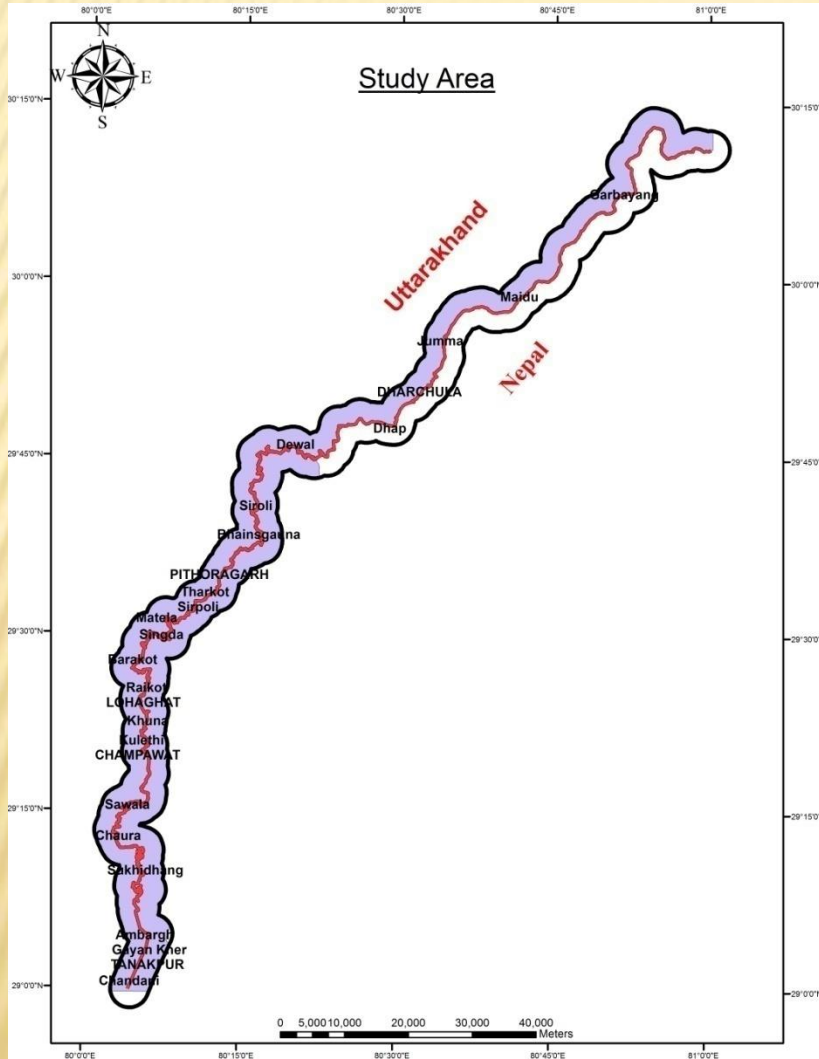
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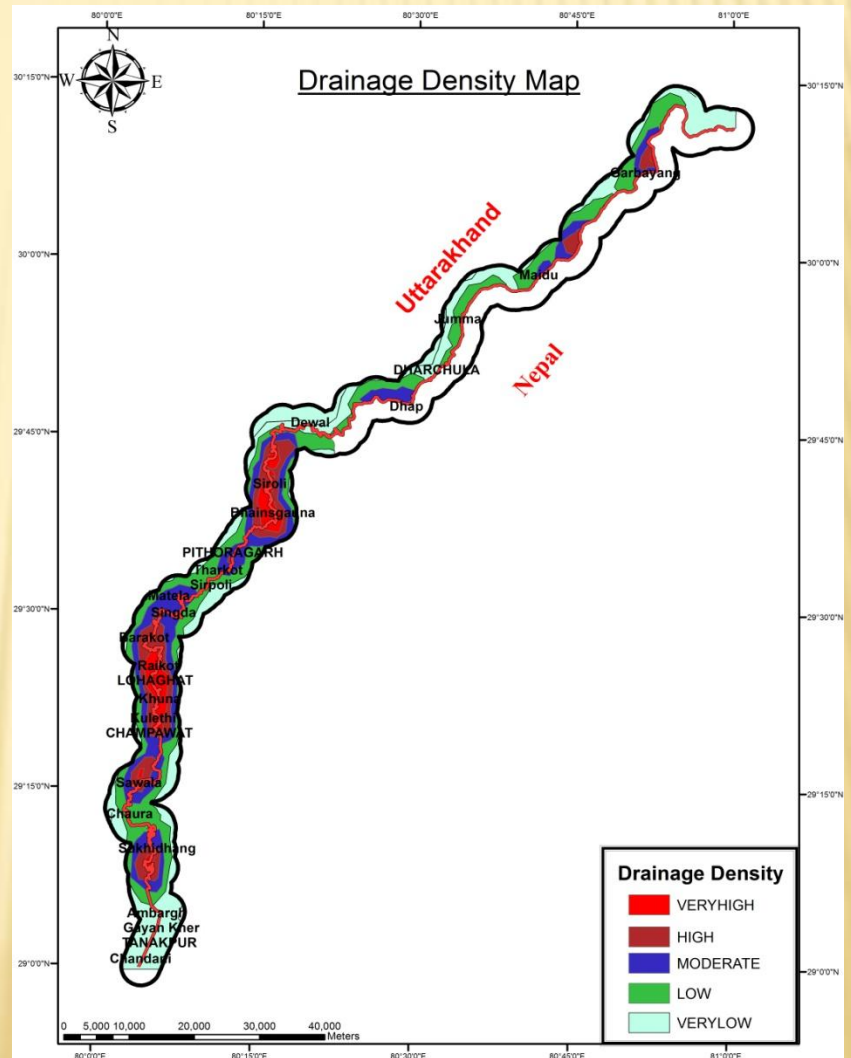
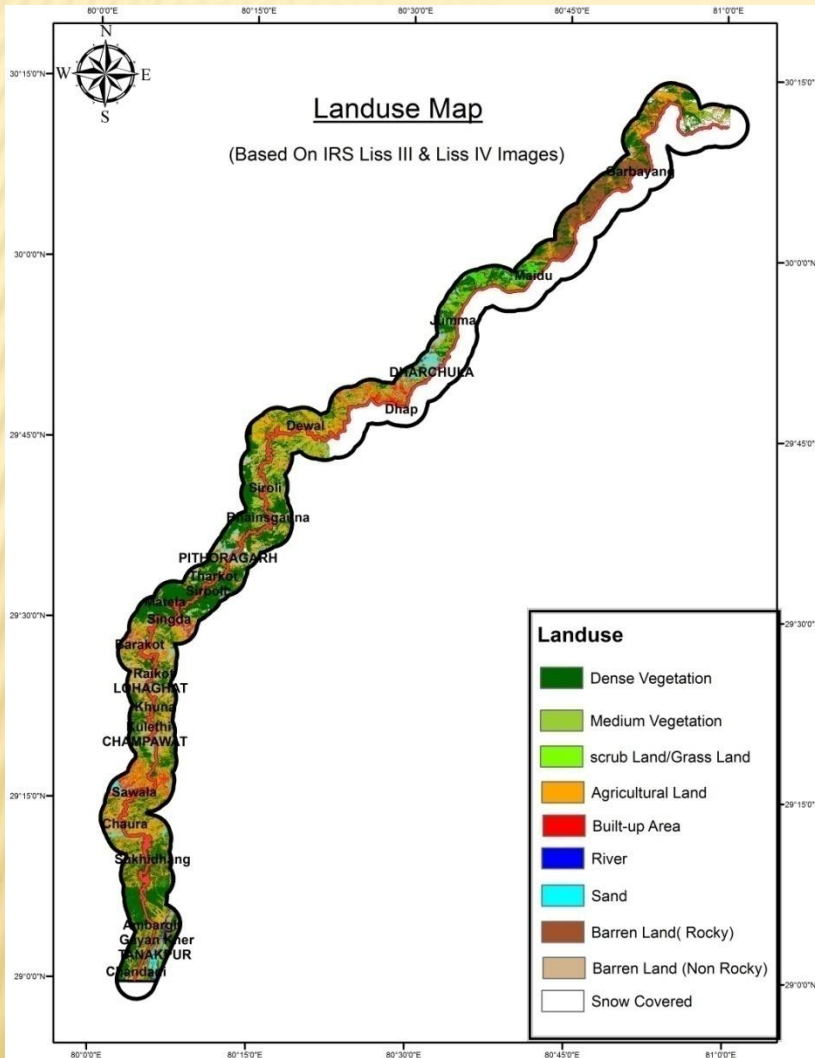
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- Bio-technical measures, Channelisation
- Forest conservation, Channelisation
- Afforestation, Forest conservation, Channelisation
- Planned developmental activity including Controlled blasting and Planned disposal of slope cut debris
- Soil Conservation
- River training
- No Data
- Settlement
- Road
- River
- Topogrid
- Route Corridor Boundary



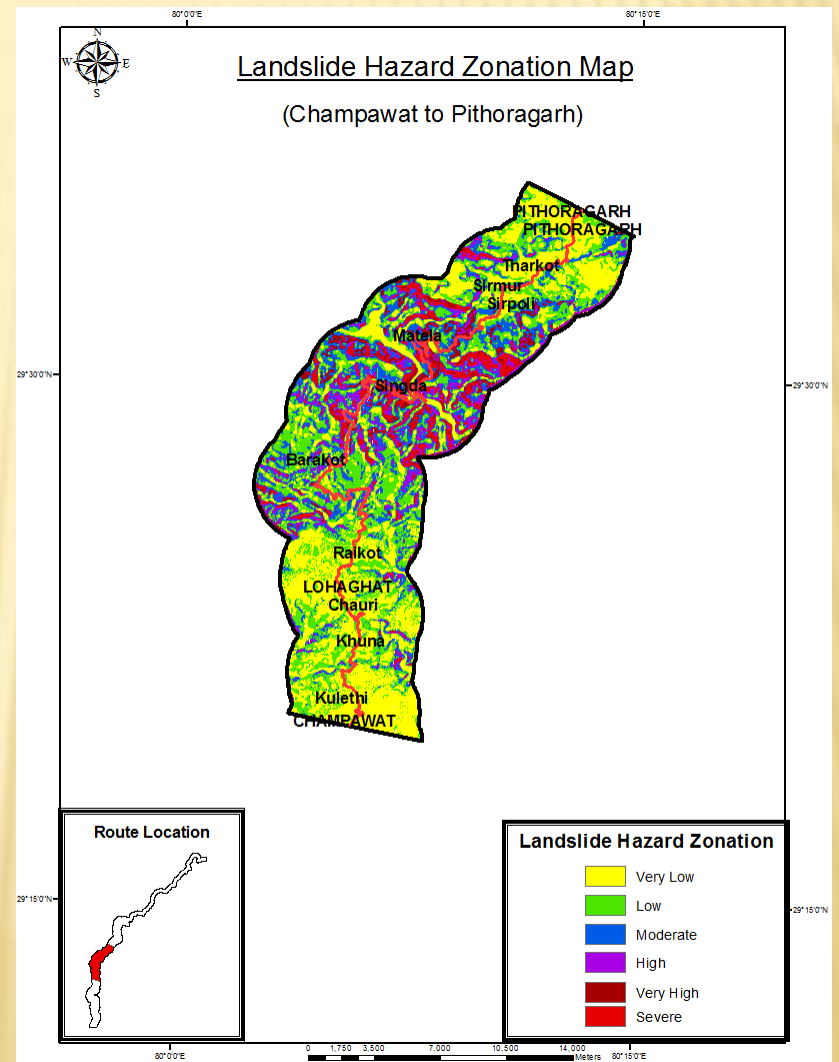
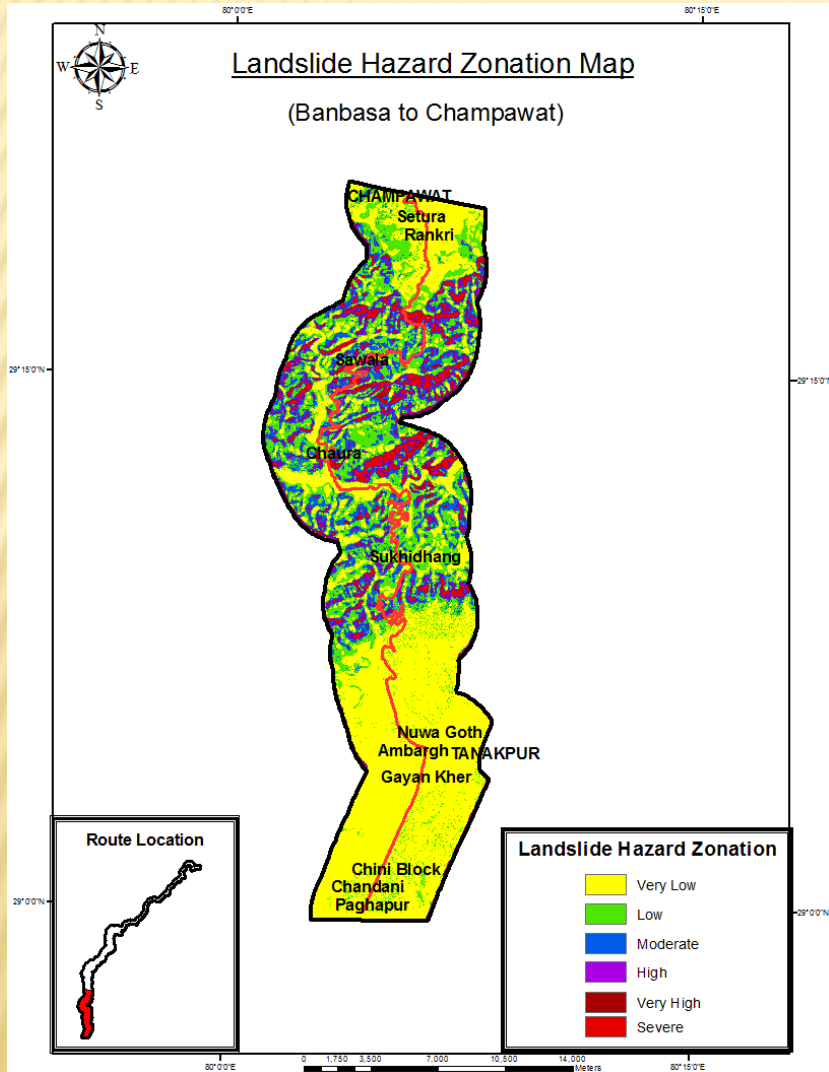
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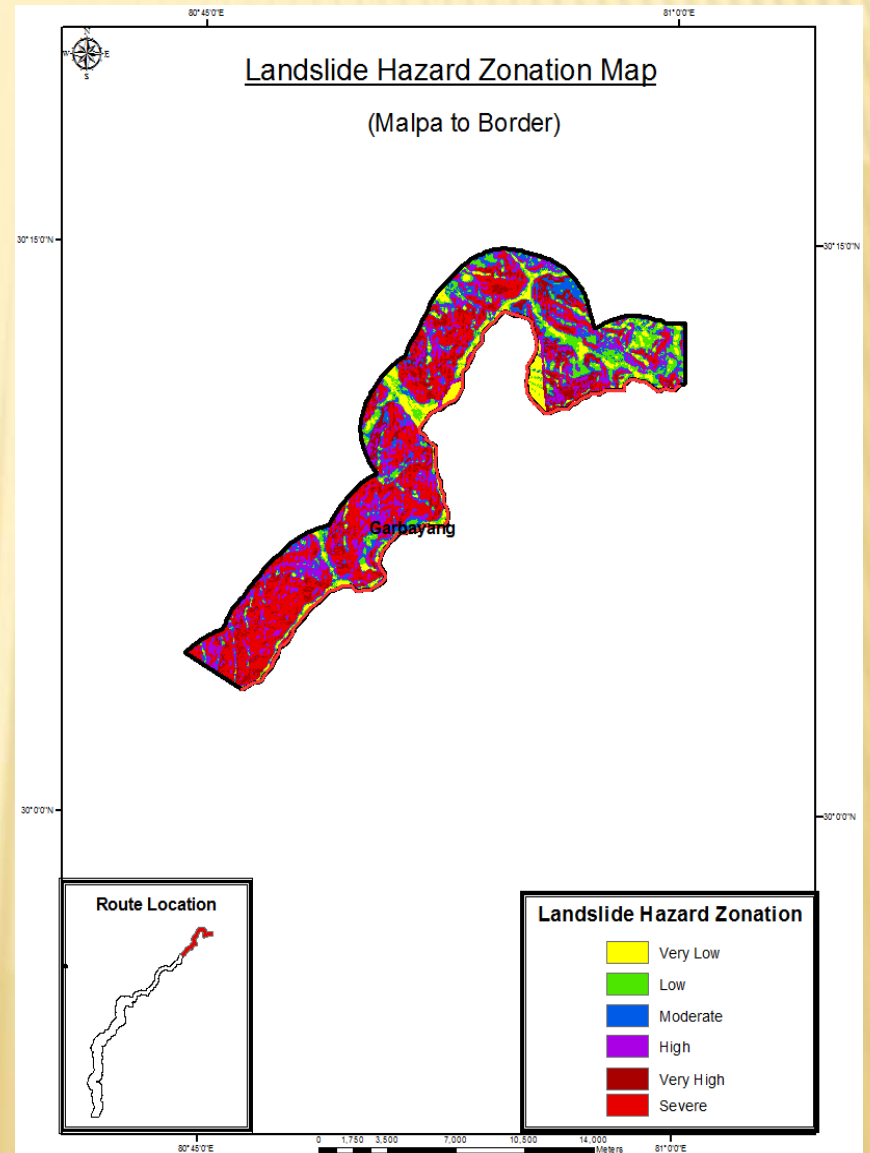
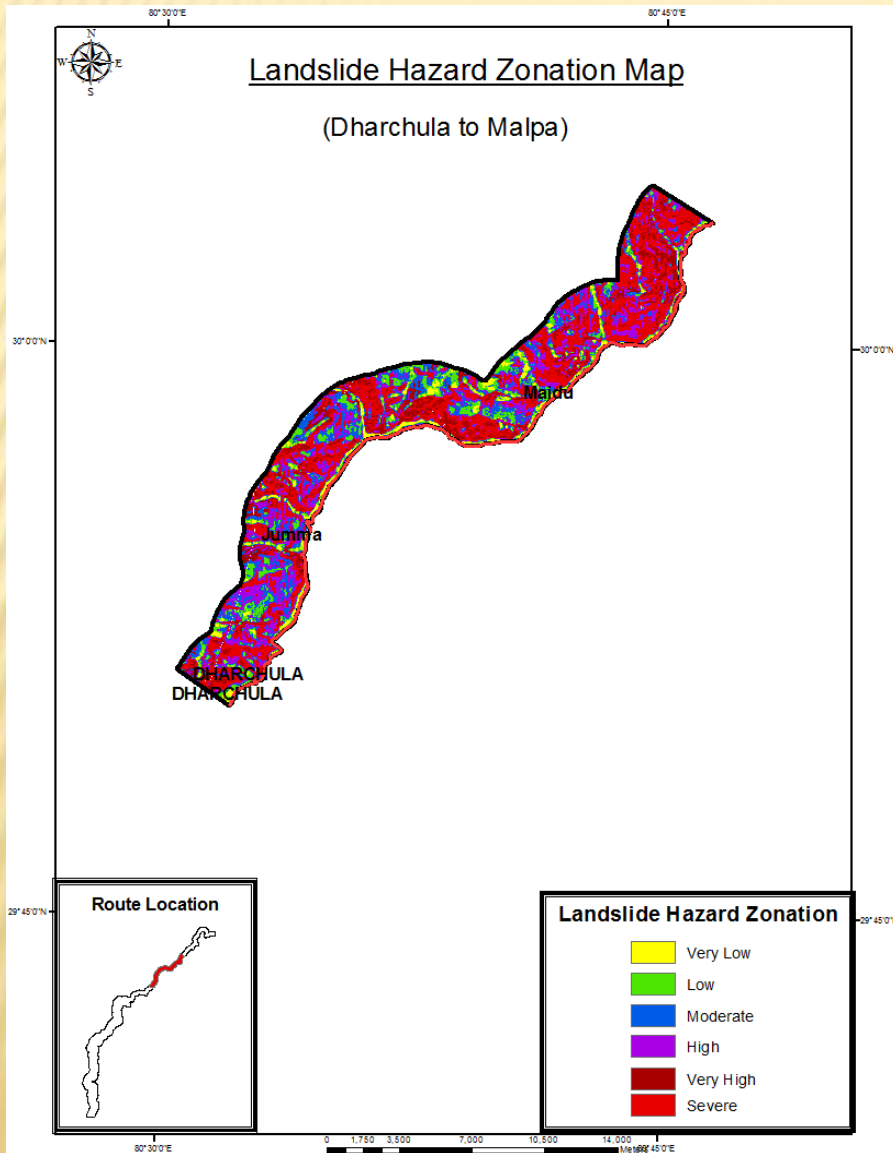
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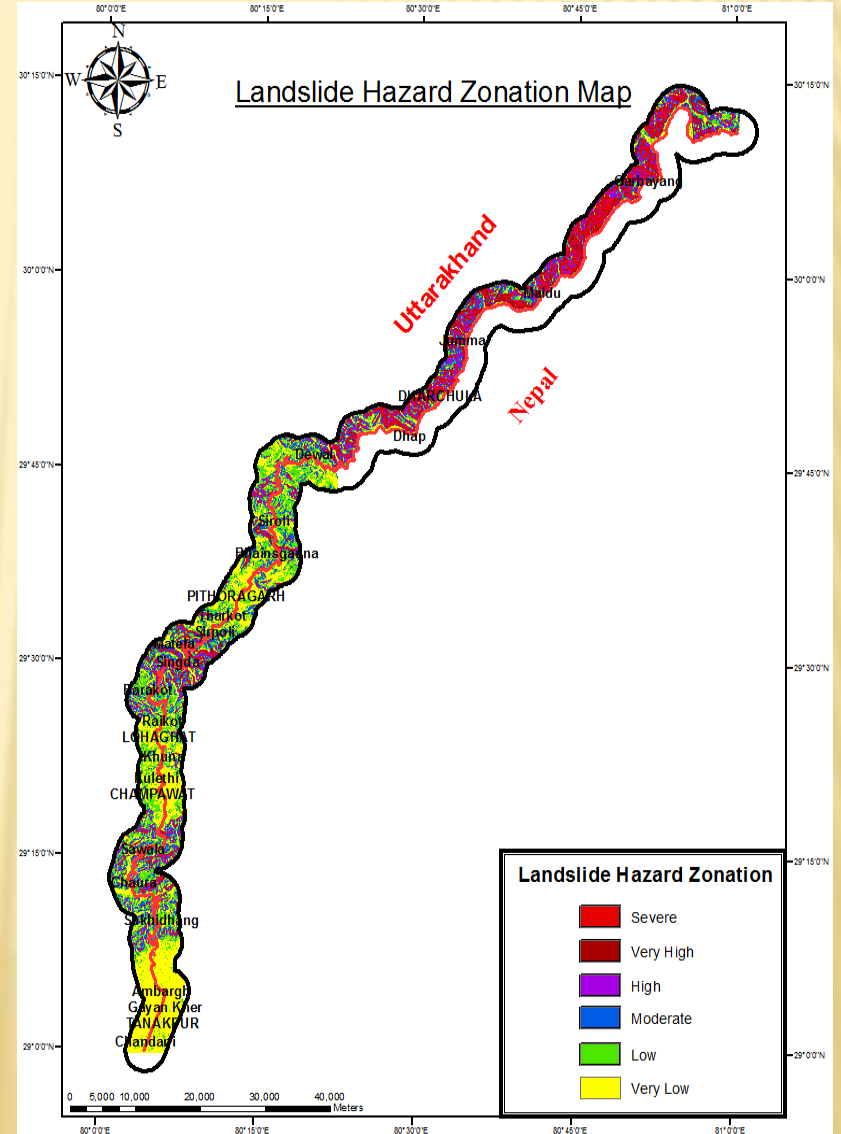
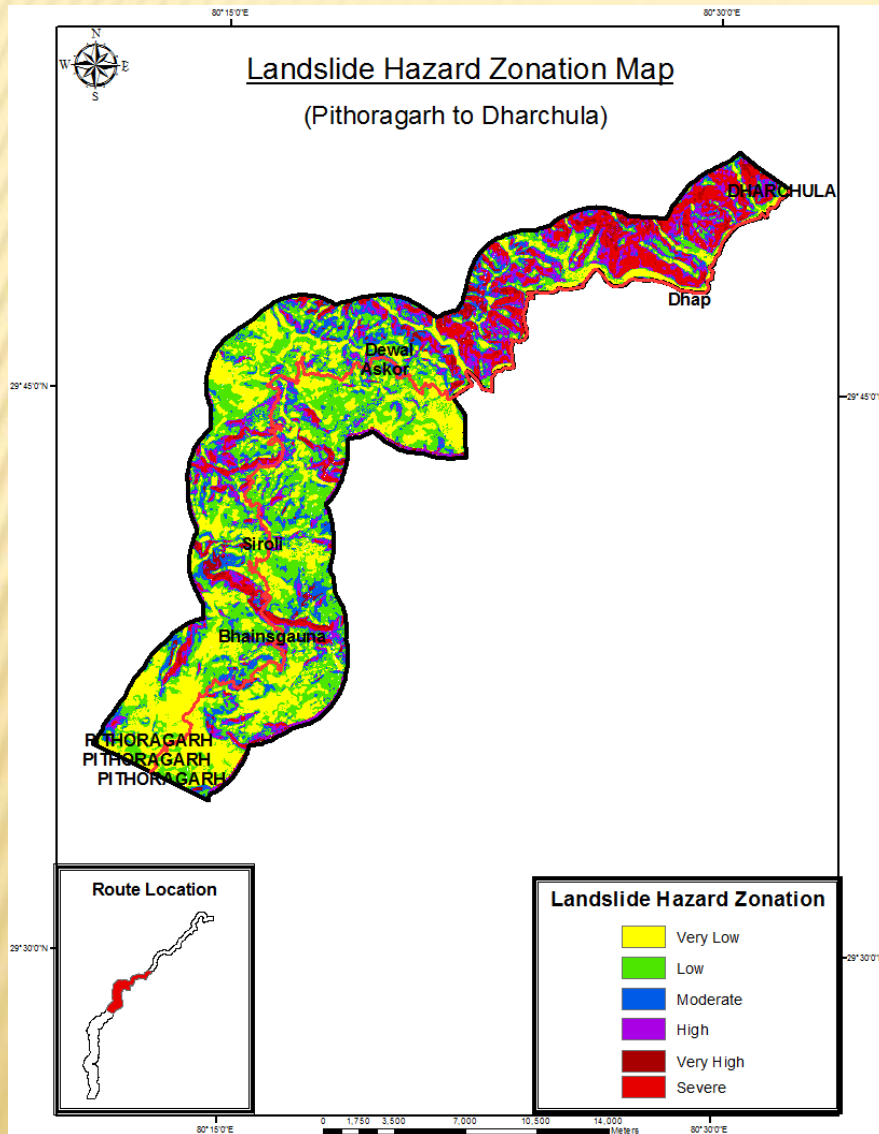
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# WHAT IS EARLY WARNING

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- Early Warning can be defined as the set of capacities needed to generate and disseminate timely and meaningful warning information to enable individuals, communities and organizations threatened by a hazard to prepare and to act appropriately and in sufficient time to reduce the possibility of harm or loss. The definition does not include a reference to the time scale on which a warning is given.
- International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR), United Nations (UN), 2006 says EW is the integration of four main elements:
  - **Risk Knowledge:**
  - **Monitoring and Predicting:**
  - **Disseminating Information**
  - **Response:**

# EWS WORLD SCENARIO

- In US, USGS is the nodal agency for all landslides studies. Real-Time Monitoring of an active Cleveland Corral landslide at Highway 50, California is being done by USGS.
  - In Japan, Japan Landslide Society is involved in EWS and Prediction all activities are carried out by it.
  - UK, China, Peru, Malaysia, Egypt are also facing lot of problems related to landslides and at many places Early Warning Systems based on conventional as well as Wireless Sensors are being installed.
  - The alpEWAS (early warning system for Alpine slopes) jointly developed by Germany, Switzerland and Austria uses a combination of underground cables and a surface-based video camera and laser scanner to detect and measure movement
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# EWS WORLD SCENARIO

- The alpEWAS also includes low-cost GPS antennas to measure surface movement and a piezometer for measuring the pressure of water. Computer software then compares this information with data on previous ground movements to estimate how much activity is likely to take place in a certain time and to raise alerts if certain triggering factors occur.
- Ministry of Disaster Management and National Building Research Organisation is managing the landslides activities in Sri Lanka.
- SAARC Disaster Management Centre, Delhi is nodal centre for all landslide related studies and issues of SAARC Countries.
- In Pakistan. JICA is developing an EWS at Muzaffarabad Landslide Site
- In Afghanistan “Amu River Early Warning System” is funded by European Commission DG Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection under its DIPECHO Seventh Action Plan for South Asia to risk reduction mechanism in Afghanistan by piloting a community based river basin early warning system in Khamab and Qarquin districts in Jawzjan province and Kaldar and Shortepa districts in Balkh province.

# EWS INDIAN SCENARIO

- DTRL along with CBRI installed & monitored 9<sup>th</sup> mile & B2 landslide sites in Sikkim by using EDM, piezometer, extensometer, inclinometer in year 2005. Data for two seasons was collected, monitored, and analyzed. It was a stand-alone monitoring system with no real-time data acquisition capability.
- CSIO, Chandigarh, CBRI, Roorkee, and CRRI, New Delhi jointly installed sensors at Mansa Devi near Haridwar in June 2006. No real-time data acquisition and transmission was established.
- CSIO is also currently developing a Fibre Based EWS in Napta Jhakri, HP.
- DTRL has created an EWS at Tangni Landslide Site
- CBRI, Roorkee has also developed an EWS near Tangni
- GSI and DTRL have signed MoU on 5 Sep 2014 at Kolkata on Development of Instrumentation and Monitoring of landslides for Early Warning System in India. Narender Nagar, Uttarakhand has been selected for development of EWS.

# MoU Signing Ceremony with GSI at Kolkatta

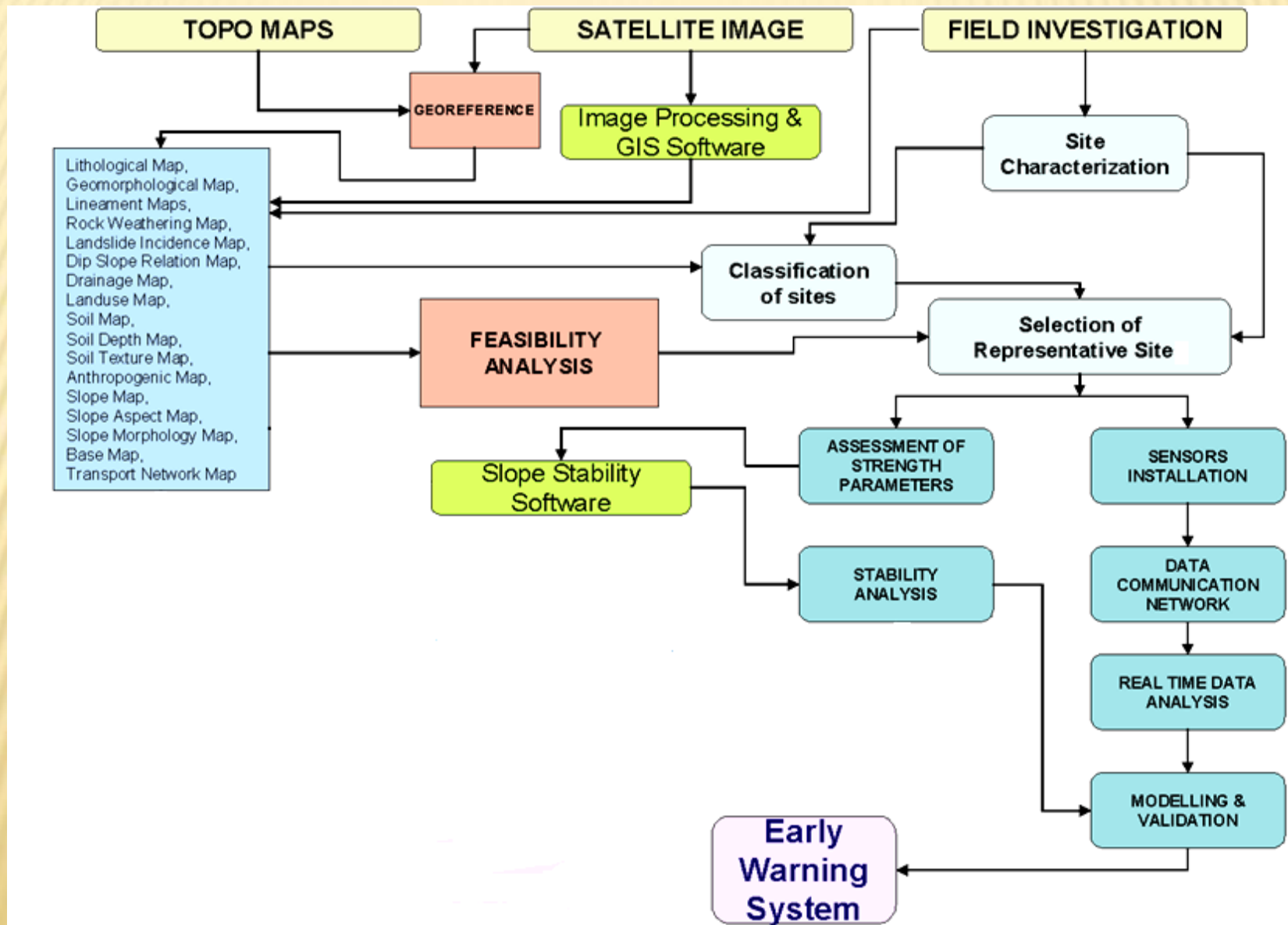


# BACKGROUND OF INDIAN EWS EFFORTS

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- First EWS was attempted by AMRITA University in technical collaboration with WINSOC (Wireless Sensor Networks with Self-Organization Capabilities for Critical and Emergency Applications which is co-funded by INFOSO DG of European Commission) at Munnar, Idukki, Kerala by using wireless sensor network. Real time data acquisition and transmission was established through EDUCOM Satellite.
- DTRL has established a real time EWS at Tangni landslide site in year 2012. This is the country's first and only indigenous EWS which has used conventional sensors for data acquisition and a full-fledged real time communication system .

# Flow Diagram For EWS



# Site Selection Criteria for EWS

- Active but not very large in dimension.
  - Safety and security of the Instrumentation Setup
  - Landslide with history of slope movement in recent times.
  - Proximity to a near by town or Village
  - Accessible for Instrumentation and data collection
  - Visibility of complete landslide from a stable reference point at road level so that EDM studies are carried out
  - Ideal for using other sensing technologies like Acoustic Emission technique etc in future
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# Investigation of Landslide for EWS

(In Collaboration with CBRI, Roorkee)

- Tangni landslide on Rishikesh-Joshimath-Badrinath road was studied for development of EWS to know :
  - **Surfacial deformations**
  - **Position of failure plane**
  - **Evaluation of critical parameters**
  - Collection of historical data and reconnaissance
  - To identify locations for placement of instruments/sensors for detailed monitoring of and installation of EWS.
  - Topographic survey and contouring of selected landslide at 1:500 scale with 0.5 m contour interval.
  - Geological, structural, geo-morphological and hydrological mapping of selected landslide.
  - Identification of causative factors for the selected landslide.

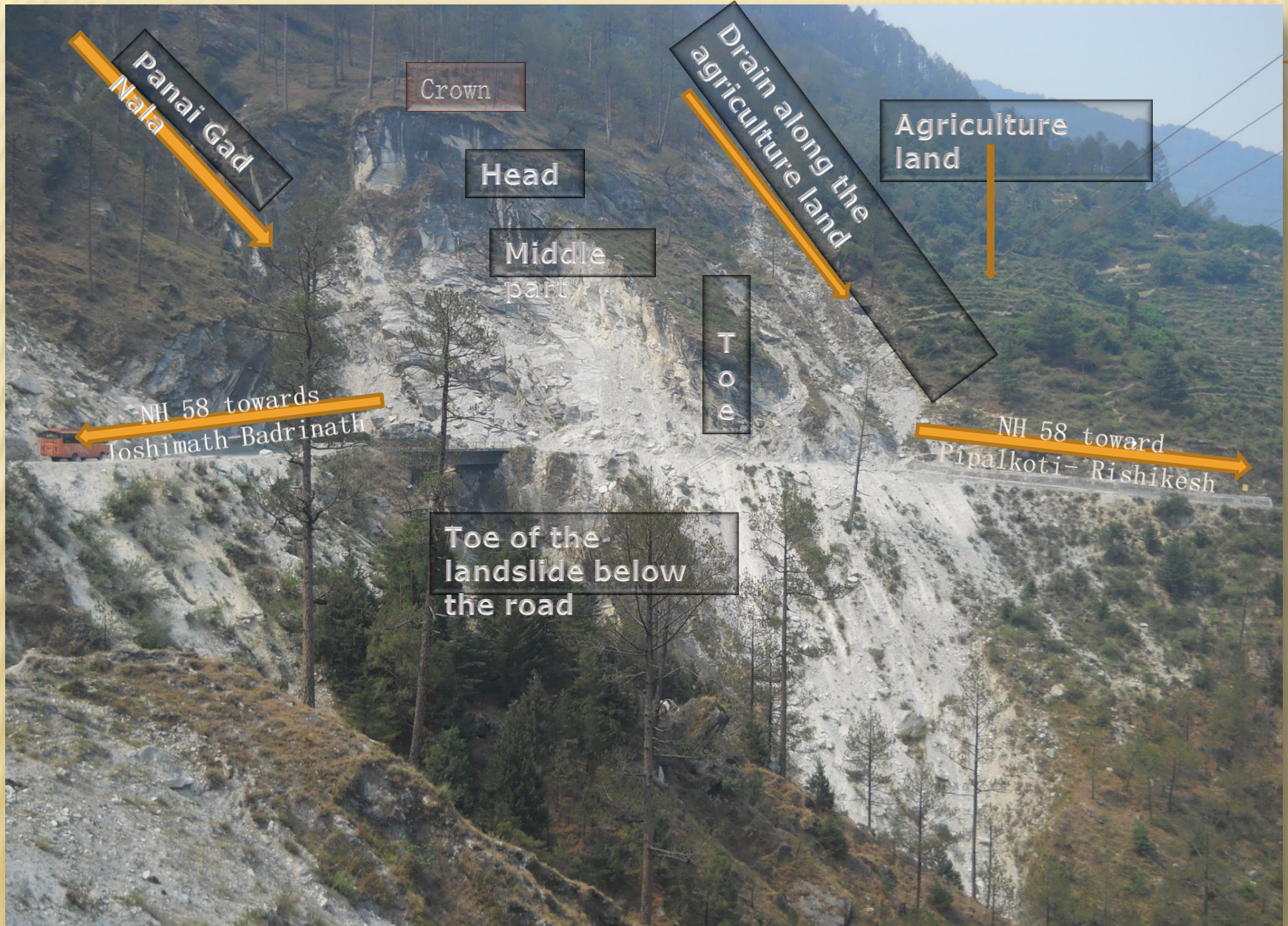
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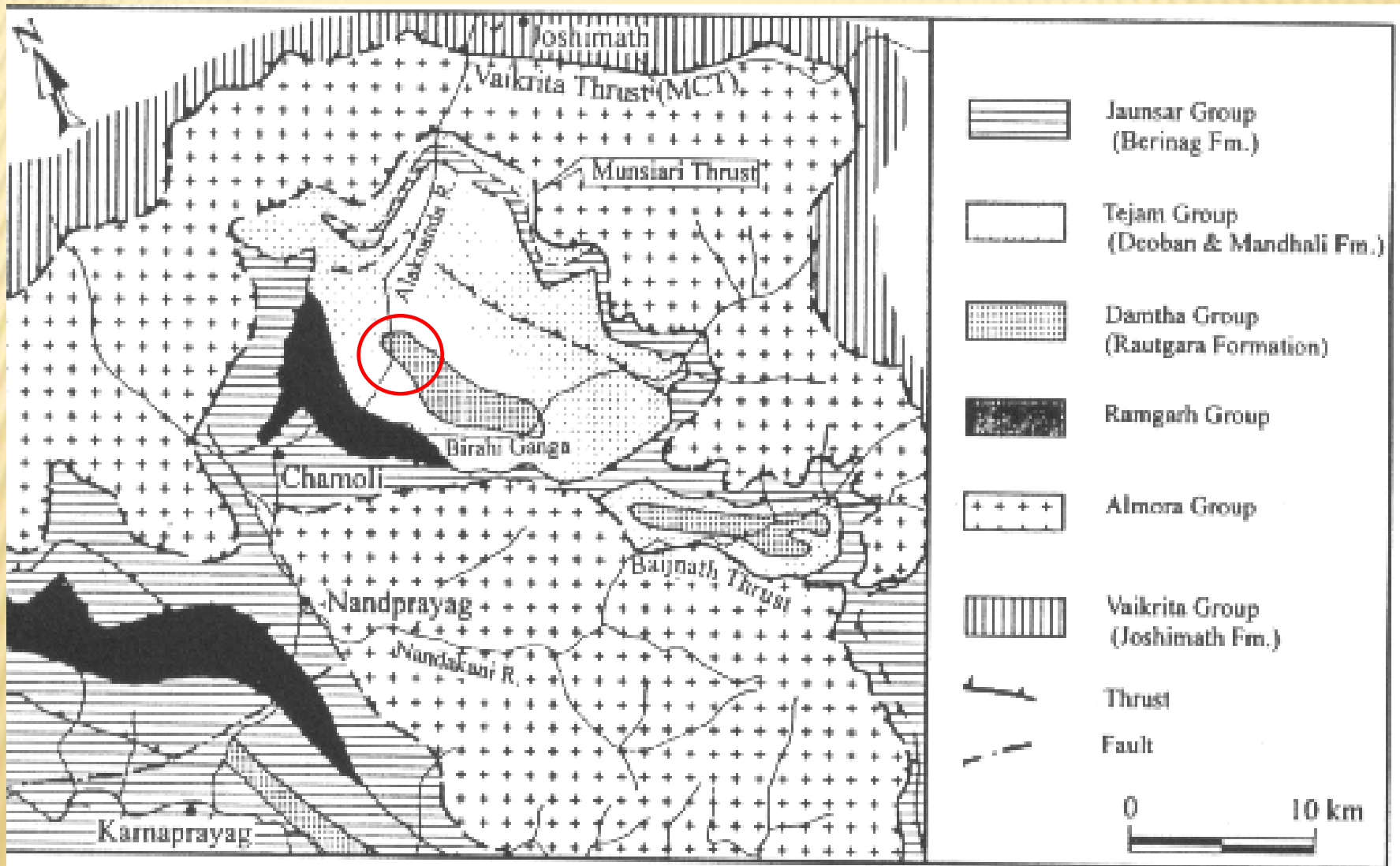
- Geophysical survey for sub-surface mapping was done
- Geo-technical investigation and material characterization for slope stability analysis done
- Periodic landslide movement monitoring through Total Station measurements by hundred Iron Markers
- Study of rainfall pattern (duration and intensity) vis-à-vis movement pattern (nature and extent) was done
- Generation of detailed photographic record with periodic intervals
- Change detection in landslide geometry over time
- Data analysis of extent and nature of movement of selected landslide
- Identification of critical parameters to be studied in detail
- Identification of locations for instruments/sensors for further EWS study



# PANORAMIC VIEW OF TANGNI LANDSLIDE

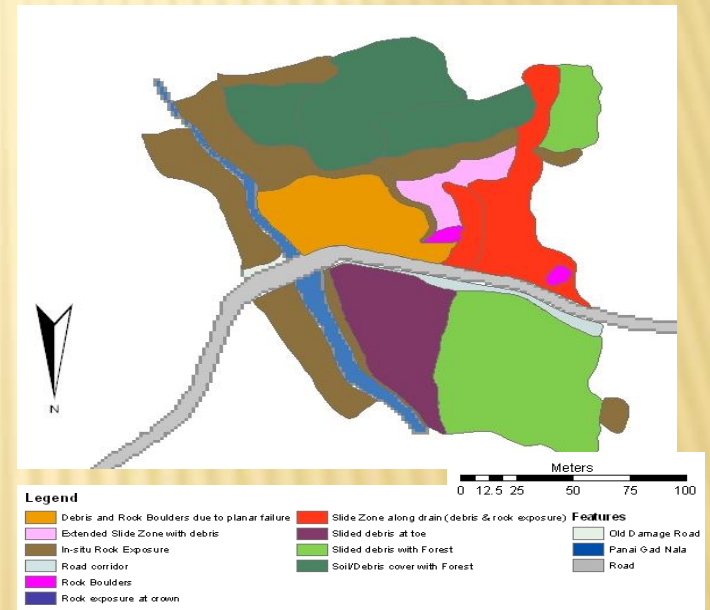


# Regional Geological Map



# GEOLOGY OF TANGNI LANDSLIDE

- Tangni Landslide area is complex, consisting of Precambrian lithological units of Garhwal region of NW Lesser Himalaya.
- The study area lies in the vicinity of Main Central Thrust (MCT).
- The area is tectonically active and experiences moderate to high magnitude earthquake.
- The area is drained by the river Alaknanda and its tributaries.
- The rocks in the landslide area belong to the Tejam and Damtha group.

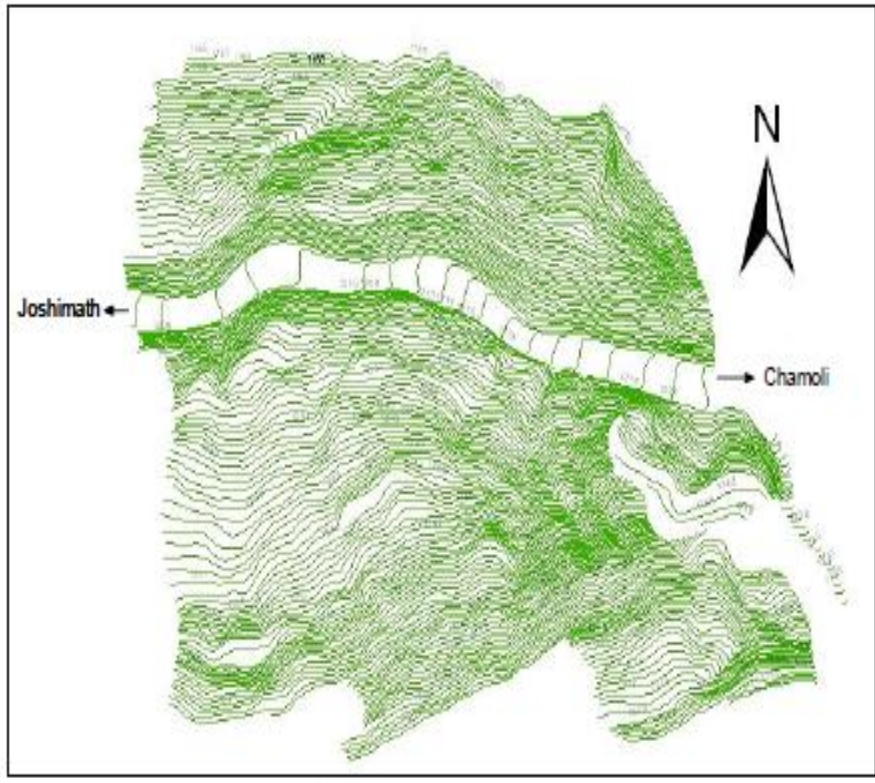


# Lithology, Type and Causes Of Tangni Landslide

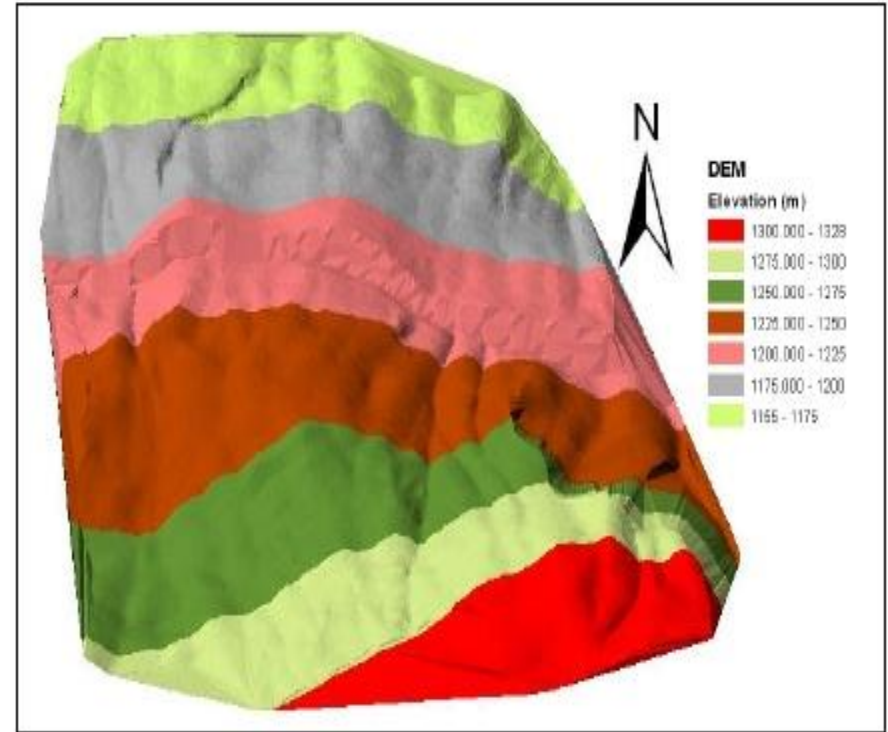
- Type - It is a Rock & Debris slide
- Failure Plane - Planar Failure along discontinuity plane
- Rock types are mainly Phyllites /Slate & Dolomite
- Mass Structure
  - Jointed Rock Mass
  - Bedding -  $35^{\circ}/N5^{\circ}$
- Rock strength – UCS – 72 Mpa – Moderately Strong rock
- Causes
  - Highly jointed & fractured rocks
  - Unfavorable discontinuity plane
  - Surface water flow
  - Tectonically active zone

# Investigation of landslide for EWS

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Contour Map of the Landslide Area

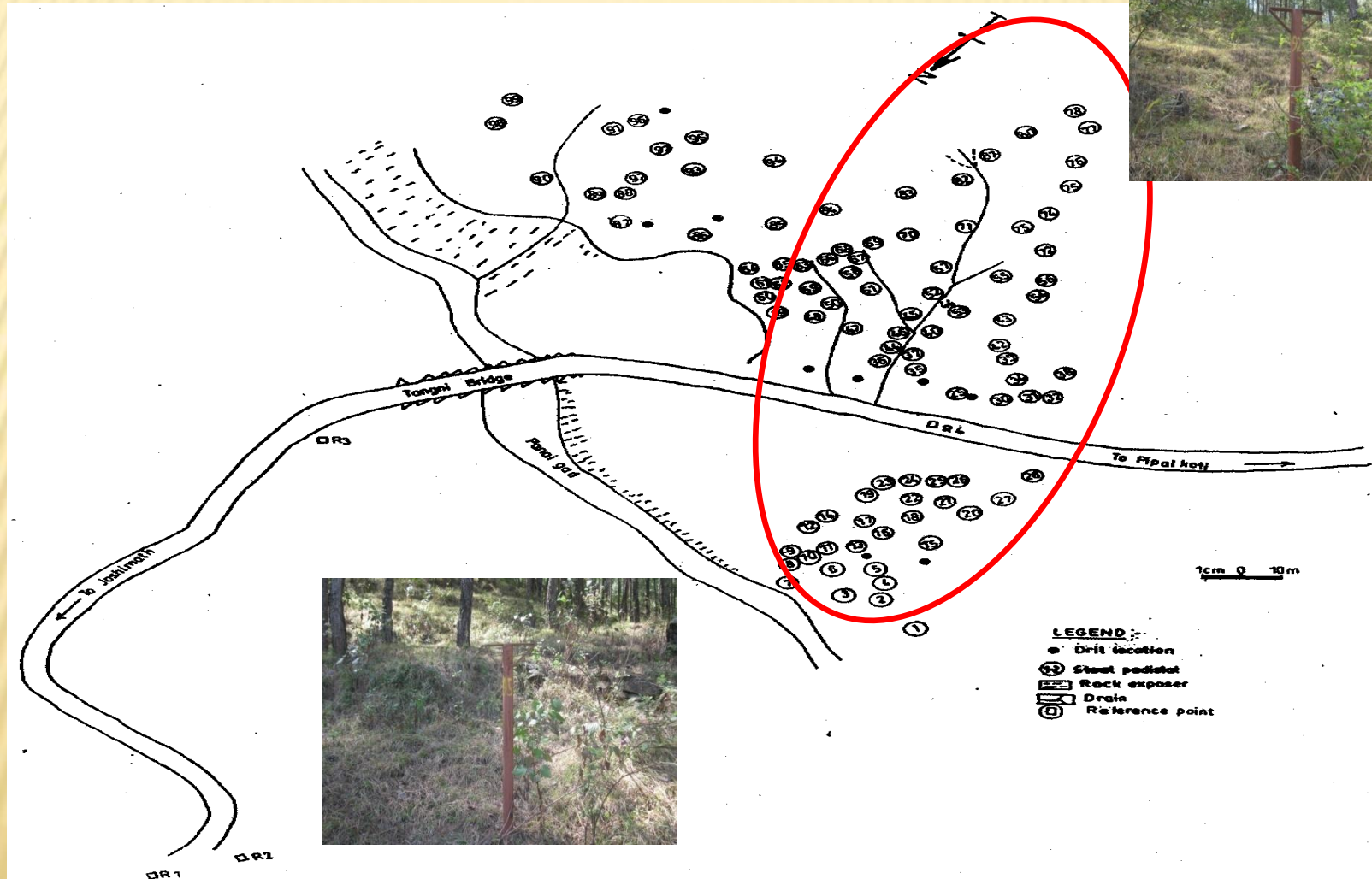


Digital Elevation Model of The Slide Area

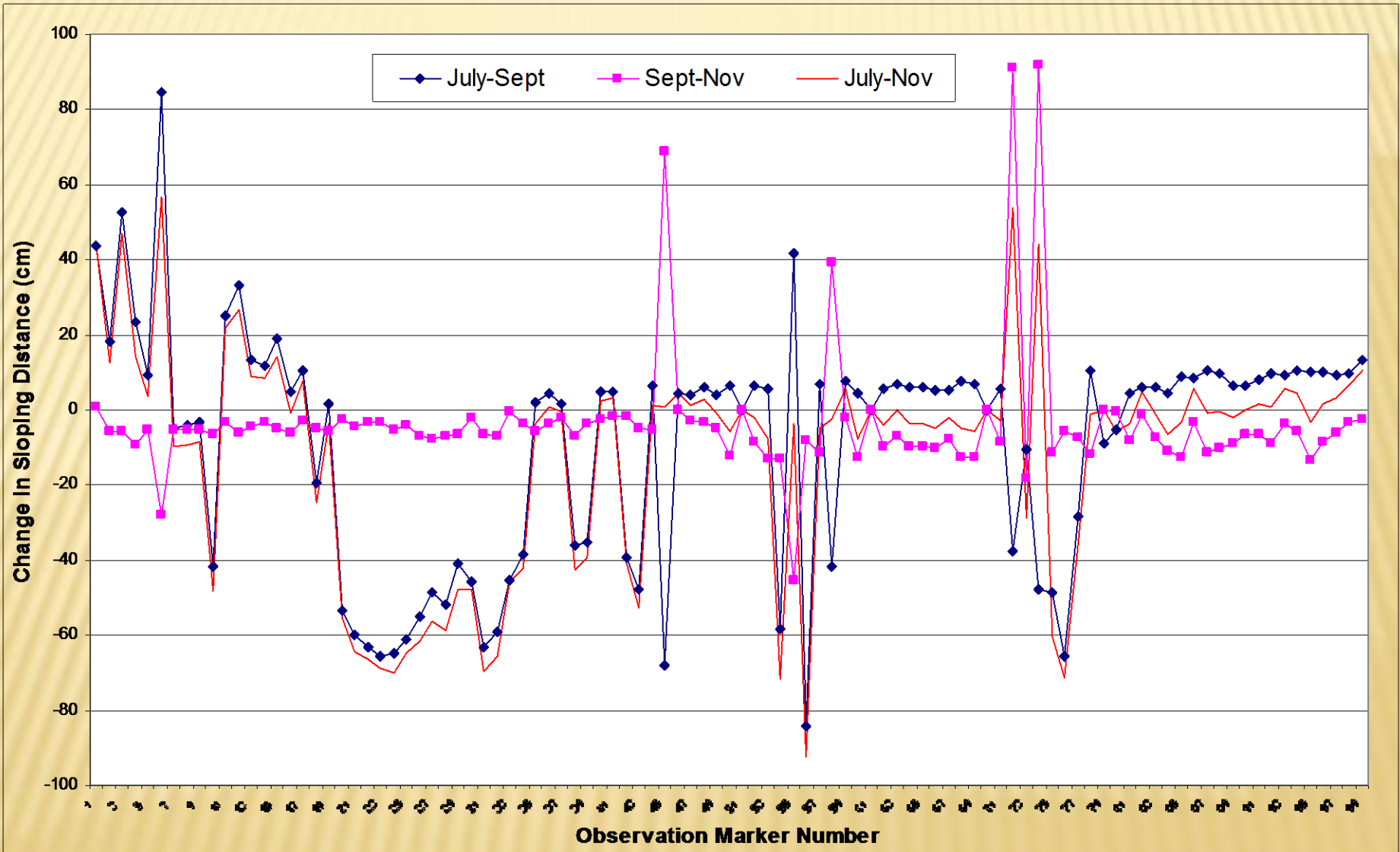
# Resistivity Survey

- Resistivity data near crown level shows a dip in the resistivity values at 6 m to 9 m depth. This indicates some fractured rock mass at this depth.
- The previous data shows the lower resistivity values at 5.5 m to 8.1 m depth.
- Resistivity data at Road level shows lower resistivity values as compared to crown level, indicating the presence of debris below the road. These values further lowered at 5.7m to 12.3m suggesting weak zone or fractured strata.
- It may be inferred from resistivity data that the depth of failure plane may lie below 9m.

# Use of Total Station for Observation of Iron Rod Markers



# Observation showing movement of Markers





# Observations and Inferences

- Clear Indication of Surface Displacements after the Monsoon
- Main causative factor for landslide movement in the area is precipitation.
- This calls for real-time monitoring of surface and sub-surface movements.
- To establish the thresholds for displacement and rainfall thresholds more surface & sub- surface movement data are required

# **Early Warning System by DTRL**

## **Automated and Remote Monitoring of Landslide (ARMOL)**

Objectives- Automated and remote monitoring of Tagani landslide and generation of Alert/Warning of slope failure

# Selection of Instrumentation for ARMOL

## Selection of type of sensors and locations

- System design including the architecture, specification of sensors, interface requirements, data logger and software
- Digging of boreholes
- Installation of sensors, interfacing, calibration and installation of monitoring software.
- Automated recording of measurements to enterprise database

# SELECTION OF INSTRUMENTATION

- Water levels : **Vibrating Wire Piezometer**
- Displacement : **In Place Inclinometers / Tiltmeters**
- Surface Deformation : **Extensometers/ Time Domain Reflectometry (TDR)**
- Ground Vibration : Geophones
- Rainfall : **Rain Gauge**
- Data Acquisition, Monitoring and Warning : Data logger
- Dissemination & Communication : GSM modems
- Power Supply: Solar panel and batteries
  
- In this case, Rainfall is considered as primary triggering factor. So Geophone sensors were avoided.

# Drilling Process and Installation of MS Casing



Process of Drilling



Installation of MS Casing



ABS Casing Connection



Platform created around Casing

# Installation of Piezometers



Piezometer secured in Sand Bag



Lowering of Piezometer



Bentonite Pellets



Filling of Borehole with cement Slurry

# Lowering of Inclinometer Sensor inside Casing



Lowering of Sensor



Bottom Wheel Assy-Sensor-Gauge Tube



Wires held together with Gauge Tube



Top Cap Assy. with wires through Groove



# Junction cum Switch Box



IPI Sensors connected to JCB



Piezometer connection to JCB



Knob for Switching Channels while noting IPI sensors reading

# Steel Box Housing for IPI & Piezometers



Piezometer inside Box



IPI wires inside GI Pipe



IPI wires to JCB within GI Pipe



Piezometer wires to JCB within GI Pipe



Pipes buried inside soil

# INSTALLATION OF WIRE EXTENSOMETERS



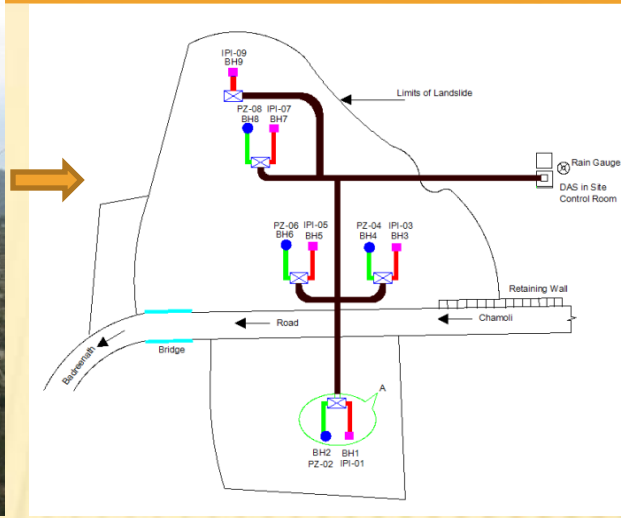
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# Automated Remote Monitoring of Landslide (ARMOL)



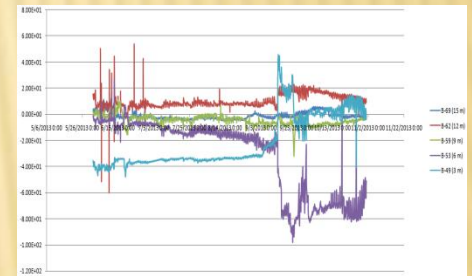
Tangni Landslide



Sensors Location



Landslide Warning/ Alert



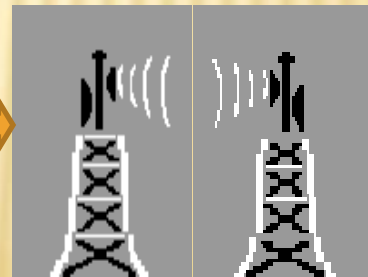
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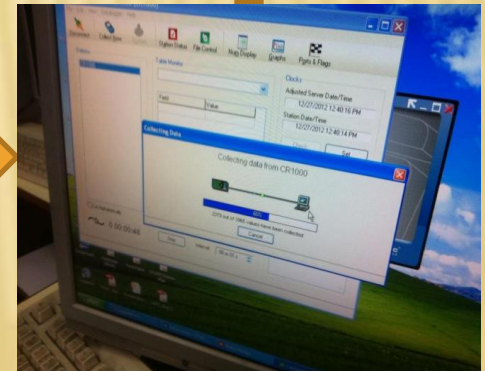
Data Logger



Control Station



GSM Link



Data Download at DTRL

# Control Station for Early Warning System



**CONTROL STATION (HUT) TO  
HOUSE INSTRUMENTS**



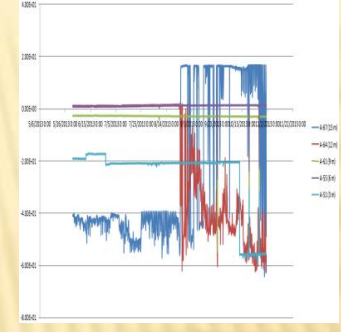
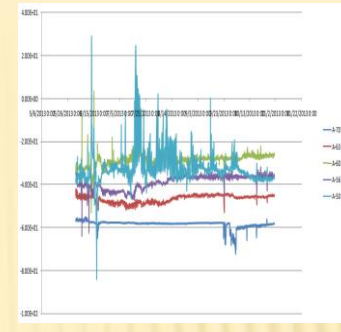
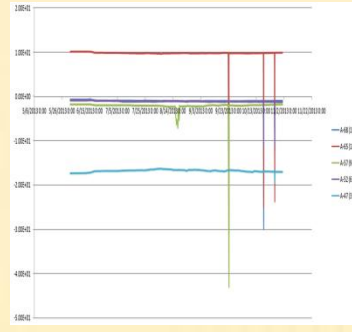
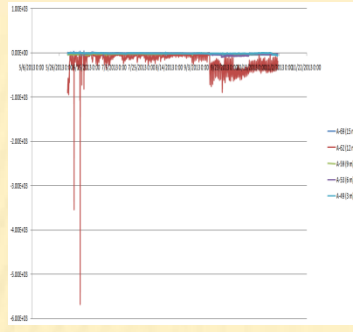
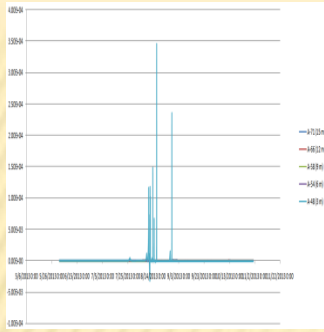
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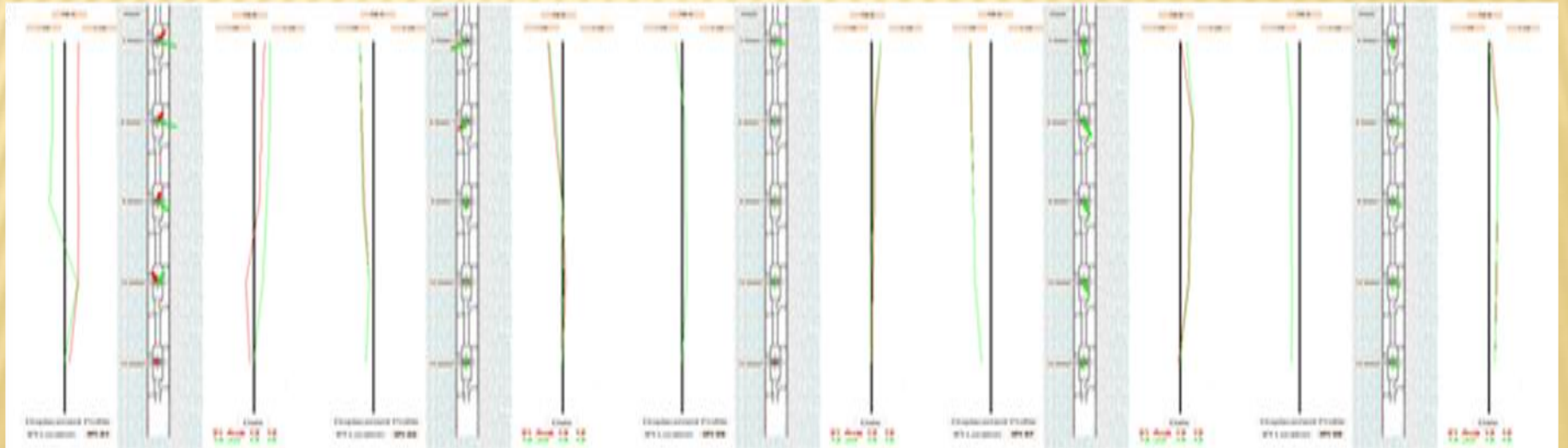
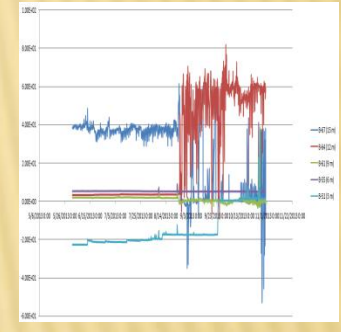
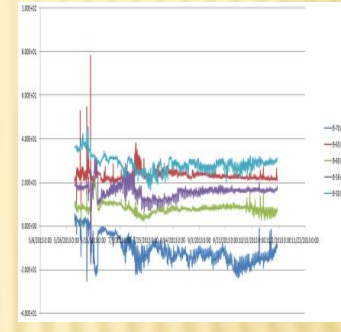
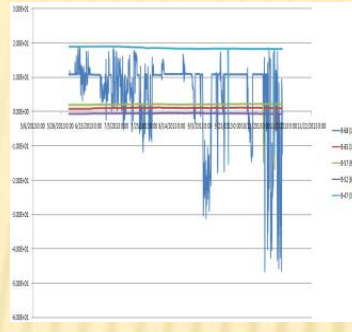
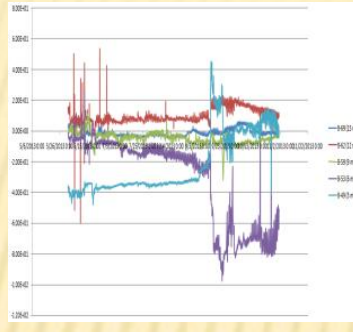
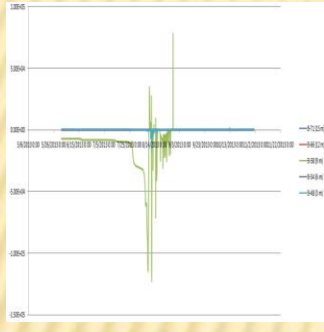
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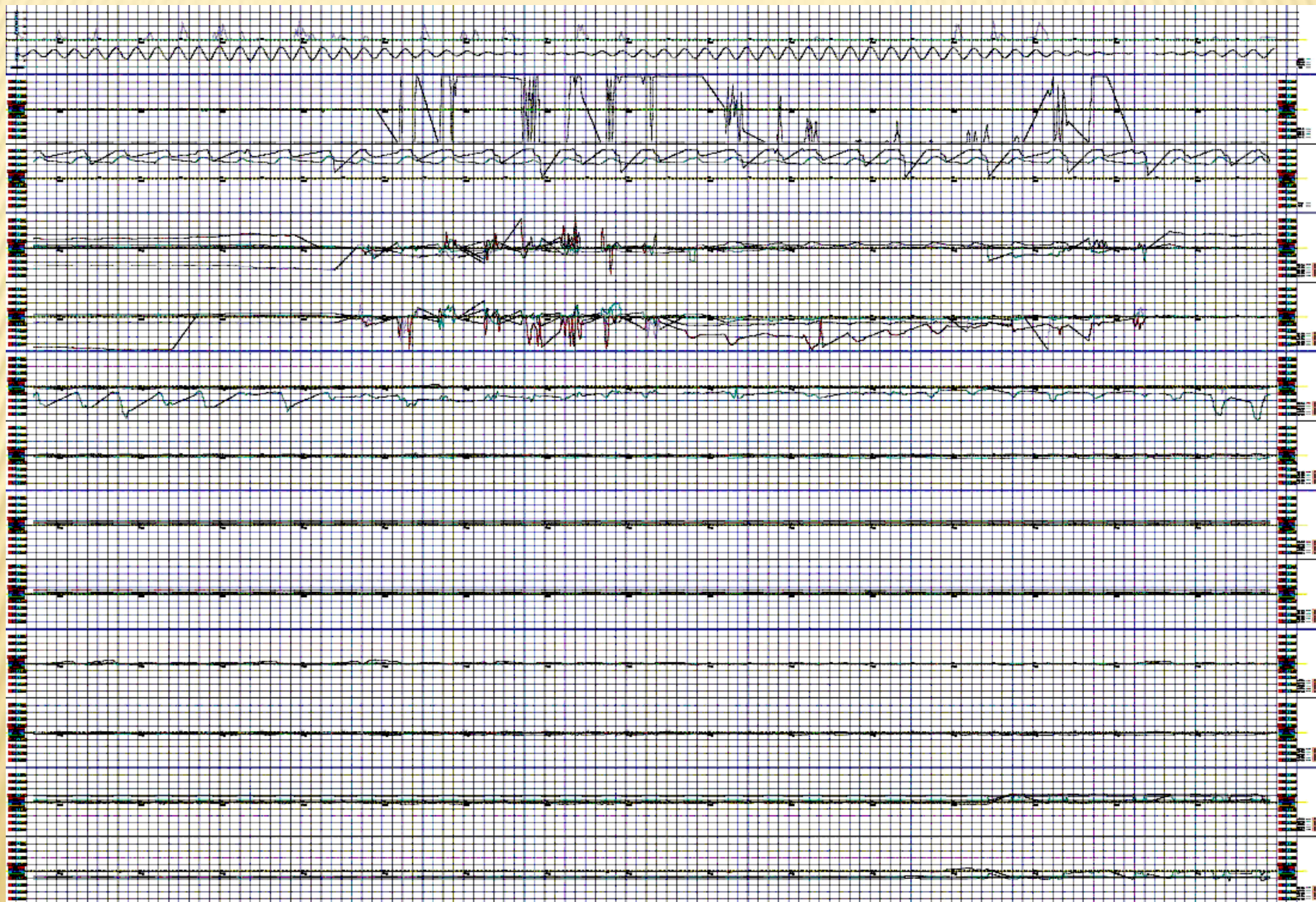
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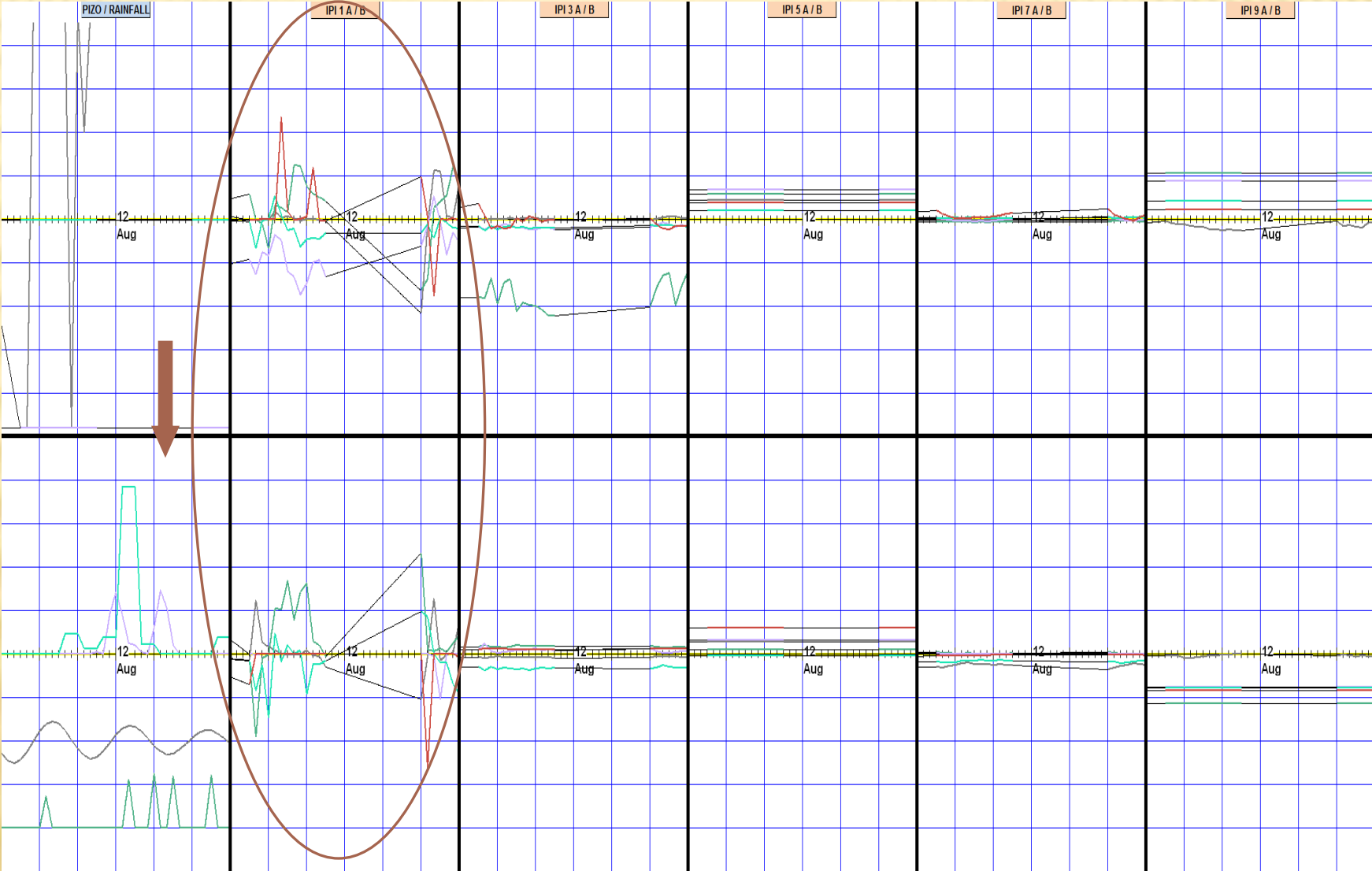
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# ARMOL : AUGUST 2013



# INCLINOMETER RESPONSE : 12 August 2013

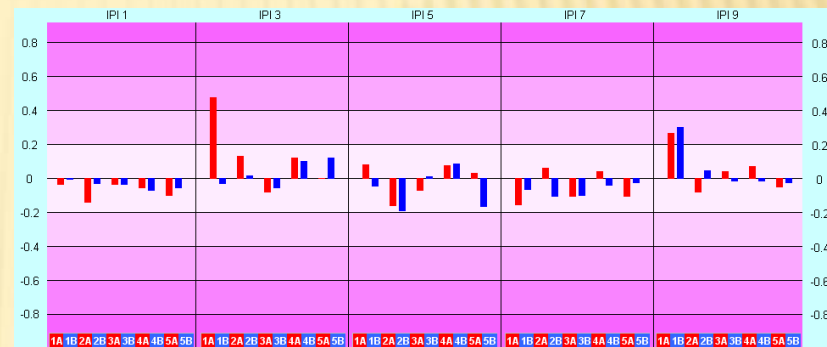


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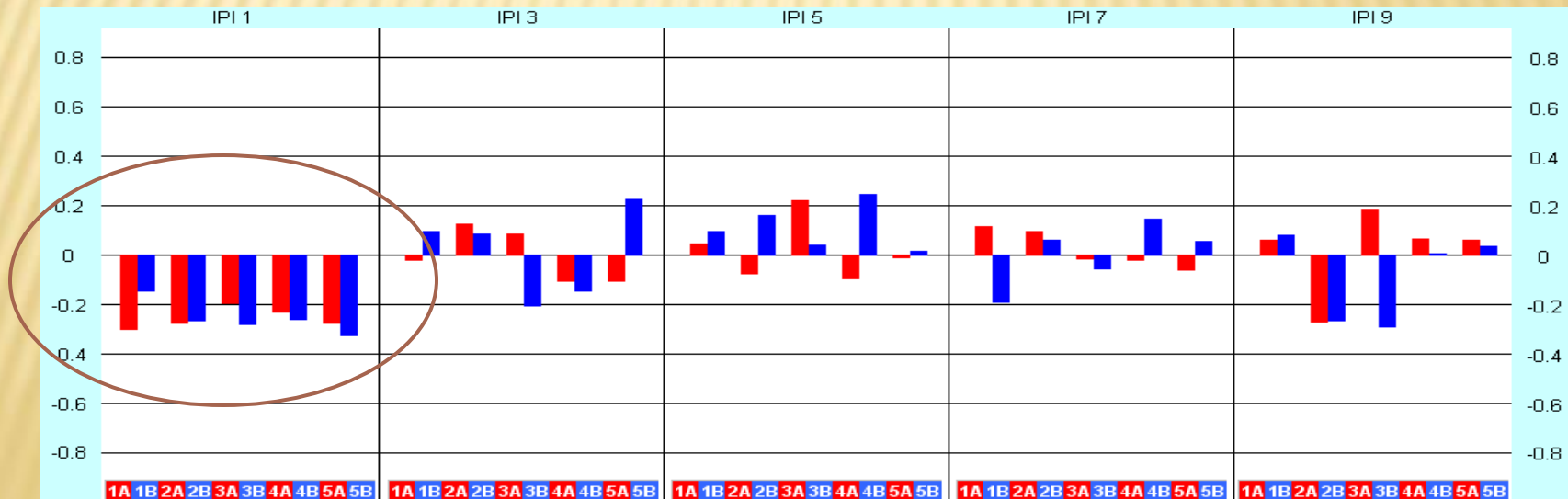
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## Rain Gauge - Pipalkoti

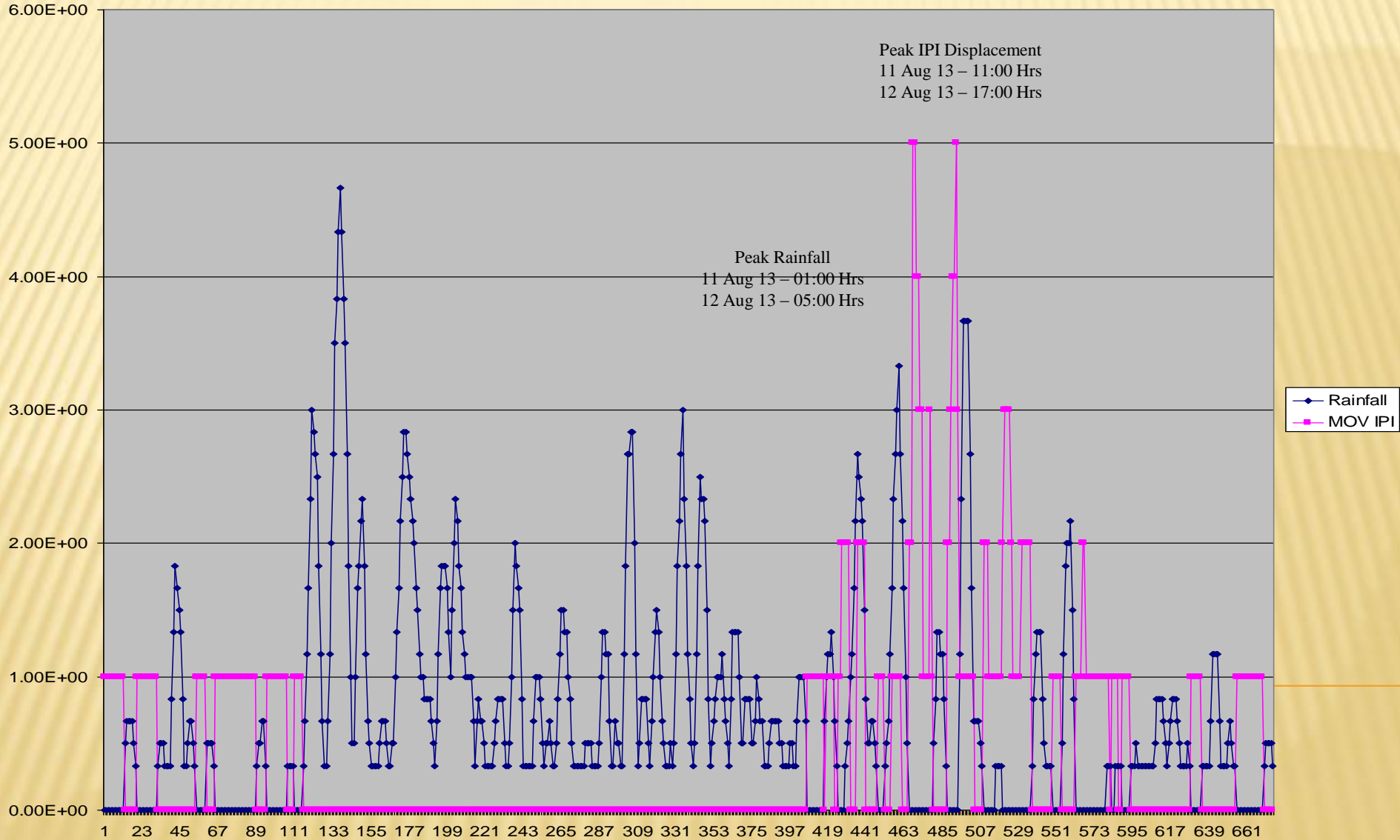


## Tidal Force





# Rainfall VS IPI Movement









# Remote Monitoring and Generation of Alerts

- Graphical representation of site and sensors.
- Automated retrieval of sensor measurements.
- Storage of data to a RDBMS.
- Display sensor data as a graph.
- Setting up of thresholds.
- Generation of alerts/alarm to specified individuals on Mobile .

I-Site/ Argus from Soil Instruments

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# Argus Login Setup

**Login to I-site**

User Name: Admin

Password:

OK Cancel Details...

Server: I-SITEPC

Catalogue: Logger Refresh

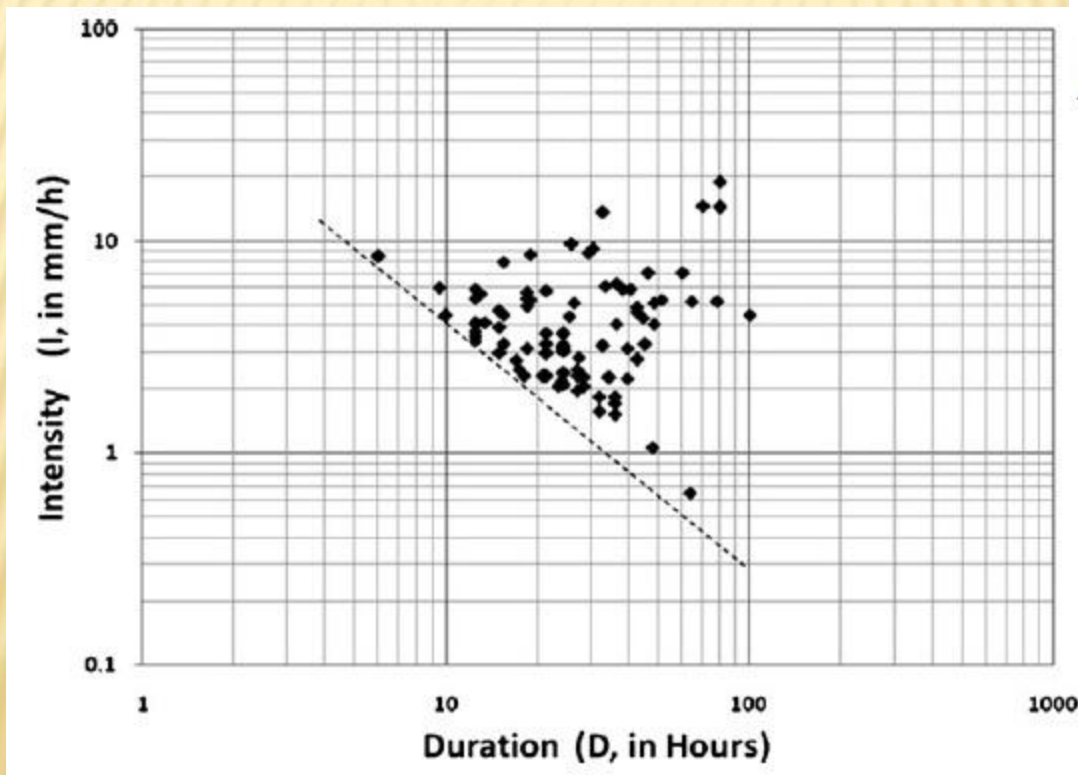
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seconds

Pause

Time to Autoconnect:  
22

# I-D BASED RAINFALL THRESHOLD ALONG ROUTE RISHIKESH-MANA

136 records have been used for I-D threshold modeling and validation from Rishikesh to Mana.



$$I = 58.7D^{-1.12}$$

- MPI 4.8 mm/h, MD 31.4h
- PI 2.4 mm/h , 18h
- PI 8.2 mm/h, 6h
- PI 4.5 mm/h, 100h
- PI 19.1 mm/h, 80h

# Landslide Prediction Modeling

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## ❖ Input Parameters-

- Intensity and duration of threshold
- Pore water pressure
- Lateral movement of soil layers

## ❖ Output

- Probability of Landslide

## ❖ Approaches-

- Finding the governing equations of the physical phenomena
- Function regression using higher order polynomial
- Modeling with multivariate distribution
- ANN

# Landslide Mitigation

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Landslide Mitigation attempts to lessening the effect of landslides by constructing various man made projects on slopes which are vulnerable to landslides Slope stabilisation methods in rock or in earth, can be collocated into three types of measure:

**Geometric** : In which the geometry of the hillside is changed

**Hydrogeological** : in which attempt is made to lower the groundwater level or to reduce the water content of the material

**Chemical and Mechanical** : in which attempts are made to increase the shear strength of the unstable mass or to introduce active external forces (e.g. anchors, rock or ground nailing) or passive (e.g. structural wells, piles or reinforced ground) to contrast the destabilising forces.

# CONTROL MEASURES

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**Objective:** To provide the Site Specific Solution to minimize the hazard from Landslide.

**Various type of measures:**

- Retaining structures/Engineering structures
- Drainage structures
- Synthetic fibers
- Vegetation practices
- Slope modification, etc.

Based on site conditions, the above measures can be used as single or in combinations.

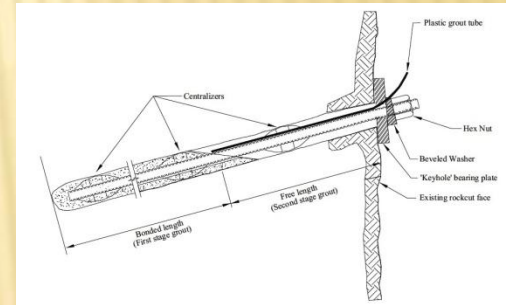
**STATUS:**

A Document is being prepared based on **IS-14680:1999 Guidelines for Control and IS-144458 Part I, II, III** of Bureau of Indian Standard suggesting various control measures which can be useful in different landslides sites for which inventory has been prepared in the project URUSWATI.

**R1**

## **Rishikesh-Joshimath-Badrinath-Mana**

- |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. Latitude/ Longitude          | : 30° 31' 17.568" N, 79° 31' 21.947" E    |
| 2. Landslide Type               | : Active slide                            |
| 3. Lithology                    | : Biotite schist with grey granite gneiss |
| 4. Geomorphic Unit              | : Mass wasting deposit                    |
| 5. Slope Morphology             | : Convex                                  |
| 6. Slope(in degrees)            | : 45-60                                   |
| 7. Soil Depth                   | : 0-25cm(shallow)                         |
| 8. Soil Texture                 | : Sandy skeletal soil                     |
| 9. Land use/Land Cover          | : Barren land(rocky)                      |
| 10. Rock Weathering             | : Very High                               |
| 11. Anthropogenic Factor        | : NIL                                     |
| 12. Landslide Area (in sq. km.) | : 3653.58                                 |
| 13. Landslide Hazard Zone       | : <b>Severe Hazard</b>                    |



### **Control Measures:**

Stabilizing Rock Slopes: Drilled-in rock bolts, and Wire mesh blankets, usually only effective for containing small blocks of a rock on a slope.

**R2**

## **Rishikesh-Dharasu-Uttarkashi-Gangotri**

1. Latitude/ Longitude	: 30° 6'14.310" N, 78° 19' 4.058" E
2. Landslide Type	: Active Slide
3. Lithology	: Dolomite/Marble
4. Geomorphic Unit	: Mass wasting deposit
5. Slope Morphology	: Convex
6. Slope(in degrees)	: 0-15
7. Soil Depth	: 25-50cm(Moderate)
8. Soil Texture	: Silty soil
9. Land use/Land Cover	: Dense Vegetation
10. Rock Weathering	: Very High
11. Anthropogenic Factor	: Road/Slope Cutting
12. Landslide Area (in sq. km.)	: 0.48
13. Landslide Hazard Zone	: <b>Very High Hazard</b>



### **Control Measures:**

*Scaling along with Gabion Walls – Rectangular Containers fabricated of thick galvanized wires.*



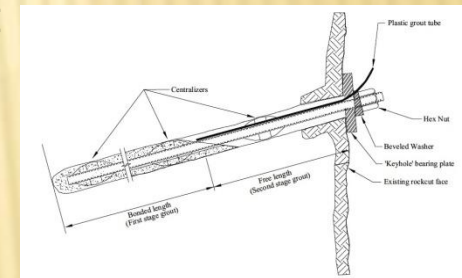
**R5**

## **Wangtu-Pooh-Kaurik**

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Latitude/ Longitude          | : 31° 35' 2.426" N, 78° 23' 39.080" E |
| 2. Landslide Type               | : Active slide                        |
| 3. Lithology                    | : Granite                             |
| 4. Geomorphic Unit              | : Mass wasting deposit                |
| 5. Slope Morphology             | : Straight                            |
| 6. Slope(in degrees)            | : 25-30                               |
| 7. Soil Depth                   | : 0-25cm (shallow)                    |
| 8. Soil Texture                 | : Rock outcrop                        |
| 9. Land use/Land Cover          | : Barren land(rocky)                  |
| 10. Rock Weathering             | : High                                |
| 11. Anthropogenic Factor        | : No activity                         |
| 12. Landslide Area (in sq. km.) | : 95875.00                            |
| 13. Landslide Hazard Zone       | : <b>Very High Hazard</b>             |

### **Control Measures:**

*Stabilizing Rock Slopes: Drilled-in rock bolts, and Wire mesh blankets, usually only effective for containing small blocks of a rock on a slope.*



## DTRL CONTRIBUTIONS

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- Based on the studies and recommendations of DTRL, BRO and State Govts have stabilized many landslides and slopes in Sikkim, NE and Utrakhand. Soil Erosion has been arrested in many places in the Himalays thereby making strong impact ecology and environment of the area.
- DTRL is now planning to start the use of Bio-Shields on experimental basis on certain identified landslides and would reccommand the BRO and other agencies to increase the use of aborginal species as Bio-Shields to stabalise the landslides

# Selected Landslide is Narendranagar Town

Barkoat Landslide in Narendranagar Tehsil of Tehri Garhwal district in Uttarakhand, India

Lat: N30 09 58.2  
Lon: E78 17 39.1  
Elevation: 1043 m





## Recent View of Barkoat Landslide



# SENSORS TO BE USED FOR EWS AT NARENDER NAGAR

- Vibrating Wire Piezometer
- In Place Inclinometers / Tiltmeters
- Extensometers
- Geophones
- Tensiometers
- Crackmeters
- AWS ( Automatic Weather Station )
- Acoustic Sensors
- Data Acquisition, Monitoring and Warning : Data logger
- Dissemination & Communication : FTP
- Power Supply: Solar panel and batteries
- Wireless sensors network (WSN) will also be integrated with above mention conventional sensors.

# Additional sensors



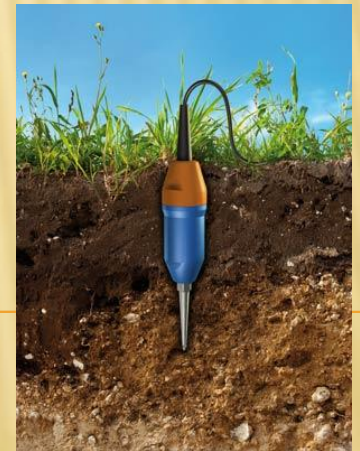
Tensiometers



Crackmeters



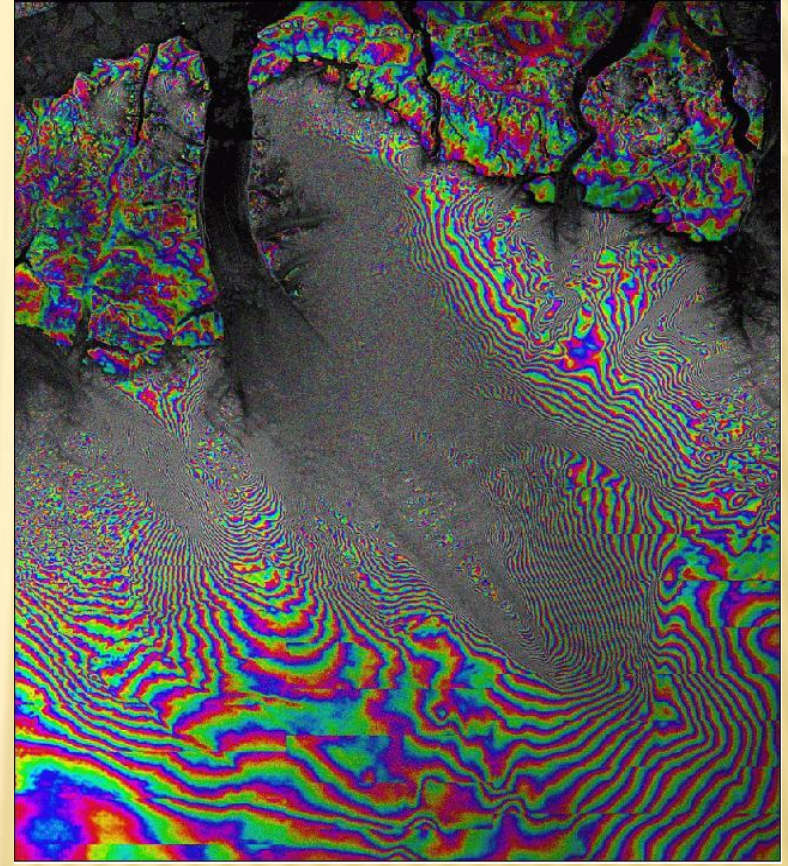
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# Event Monitoring



Video Monitoring System

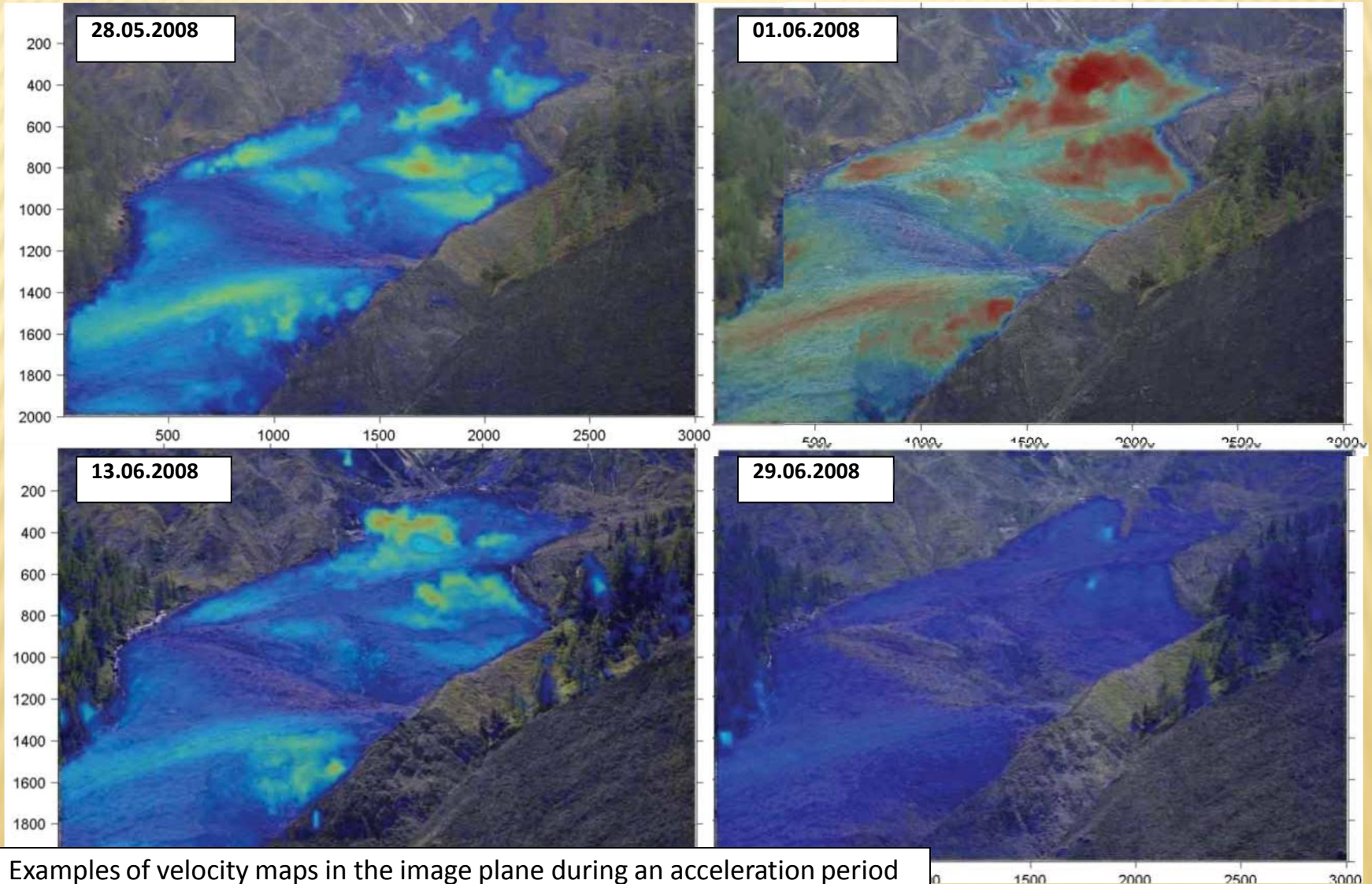


Din-SAR Monitoring



# Monitoring Landslide Kinematics

Correlation of High resolution optical images



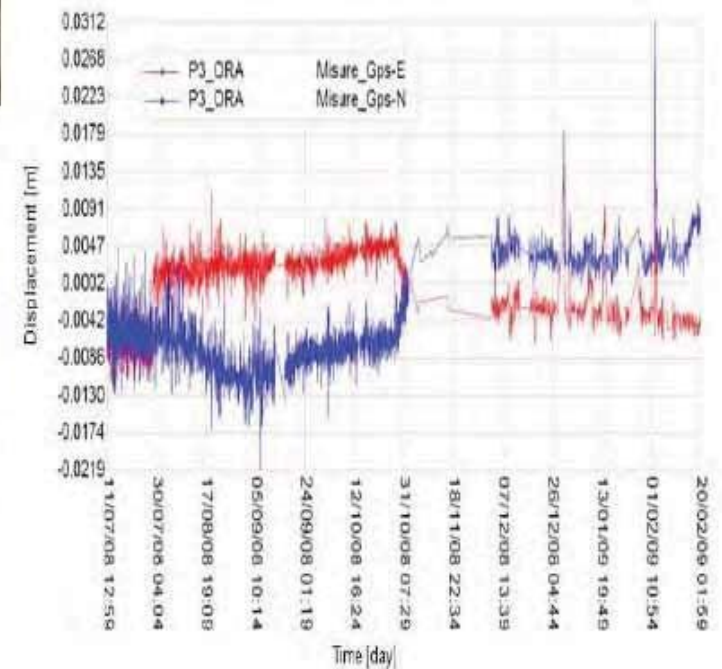
# Monitoring Landslide Kinematics

## dGPS measurements



Leica L1/L2 GRX 1200 receiver

Examples:  
Valoria landslide  
Ancona landslide, Italy



# Monitoring landslide kinematics

## Terrestrial Laser Scanning - TLS



*TLS LMS-Z620*



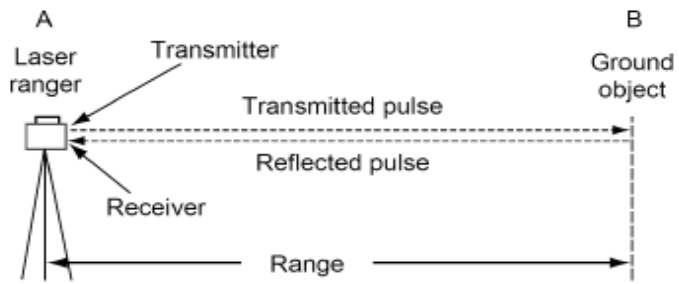
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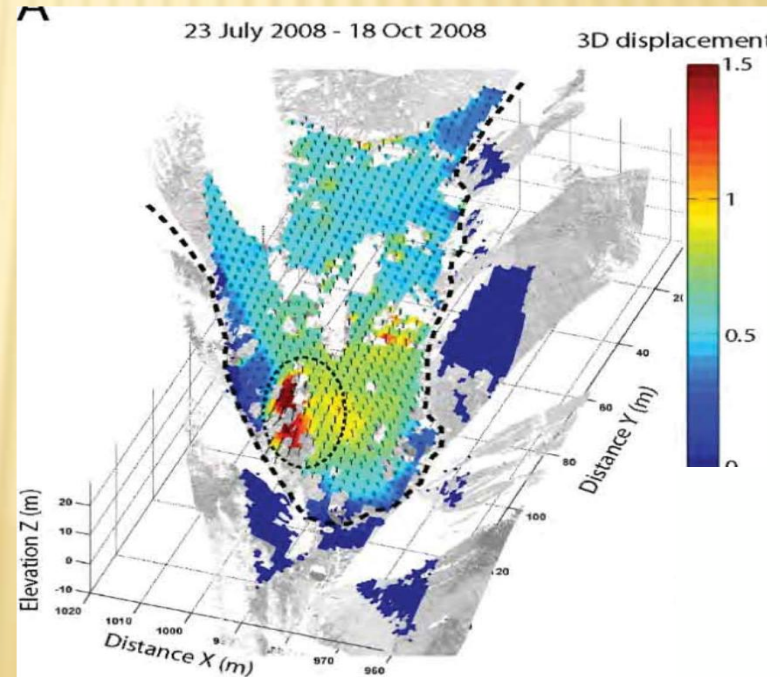
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# Monitoring Landslide Kinematics

## Terrestrial Laser Scanning - TLS

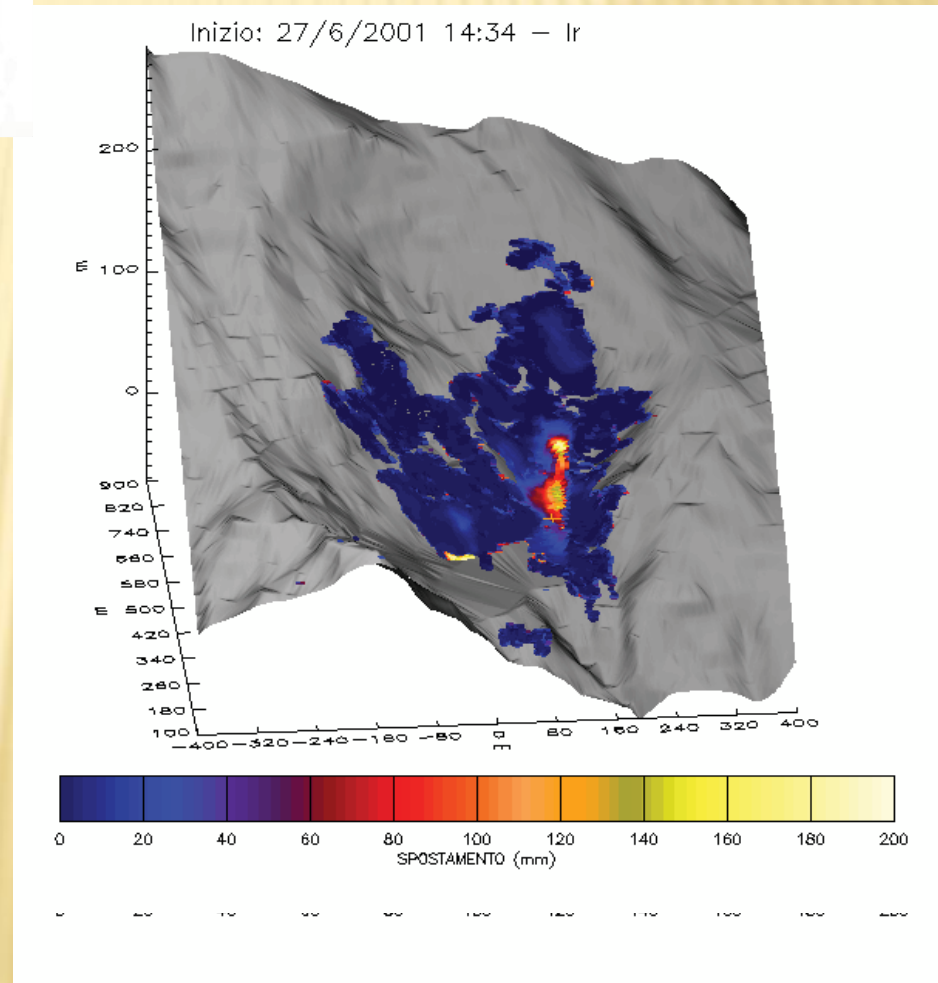
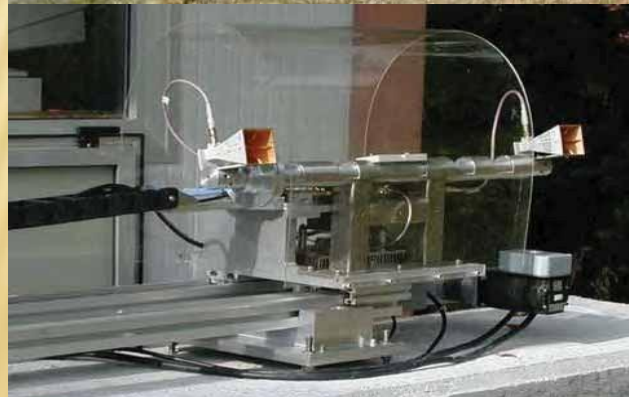
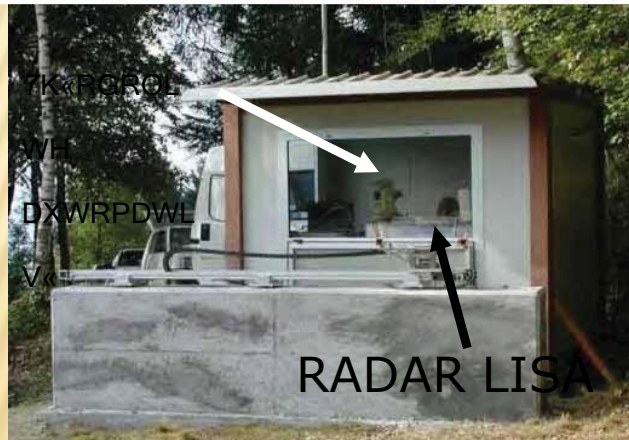
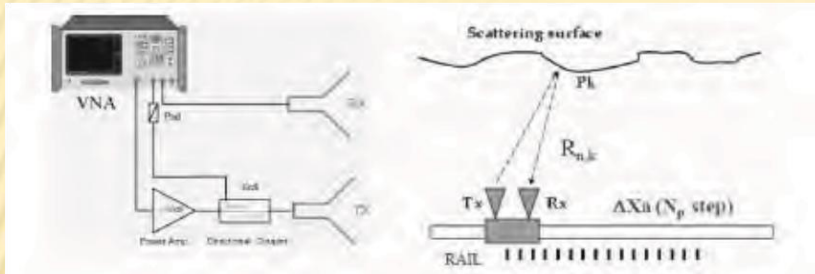


## Super-Sauze landslide



# Monitoring Landslide Kinematics

## Ground-based SAR (GB-InSAR, GB-PSInSAR)



## **CONTROL MEASURES BY BIOLOGICAL METHODS**

- ❑ Landslides have been traditionally controlled by engineering methods but now world over Biological Methods have become very popular to arrest the landslides as these methods are very good for maintaining ecological balance and conservation of soil etc
- ❑ DTRL is now planning to use Bio-Shields and Soil Bioengineering Methods for Landslide Control in the Himalayas

# BIO-SHIELDS FOR LANDSLIDE MITIGATION

- ✘ Bio-shields are strips of trees and shrubs grown along the coasts to protect coastal areas from high velocity winds and waves.
- ✘ Mangrove is a natural bio shield while Malay apple, *ramphal*, *sapota*, guava, sweet lime, gooseberry and pomegranate and Cashew and bamboo can also act as bio shields. Salicornia, a salt-tolerant local plant, has also been planted.
- ✘ They serve as sand binders and also reduce wind speed during cyclones. Bio-shields also prevent the entry of seawater into the mainland during cyclones and tsunami, according to researchers.
- ✘ Bio-shields can also be used for carbon sequestration – the process of capturing and storing atmospheric carbon dioxide while releasing oxygen back to the atmosphere. The process is considered a crucial step in mitigating impacts of climate change, as carbon dioxide emission is one of the key contributing factors to global warming.

# BIO-SHIELDS

- ✘ Dense mangrove forests served as a "speed breaker, reducing the damage done" during the 2004 tsunami which affected Tamil Nadu and other southern states.
- ✘ Bio-shields have been successfully used in Indonesia, Maldives and Sri Lanka. In Project SILAMAT India, Indonesia, Maldives and Sri Lanka under the aegis of Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network (ADRRN) are using Bio-Shields as coastal protection.
- ✘ Environment Ministry is considering the idea of developing bio-shields comprising mangrove and non-mangrove species in coastal areas adjoining critical infrastructure projects such as power plants and oil storage depots. (On the Suggestion of Dr MS Swaminathan)
- ✘ In Thrissur project, Kerala Forest Research Institute will create bio-shields of 10 and 20 Kms on the Ganeshamangalam and Manakkakadavu beaches respectively in Kadannappally panchayat



# BIO-SHIELDS FOR LANDSLIDES

- ✦ **Grasses** like *Bouteloua curtipendula* (sideoats grama) *Chasmanthium latifolium* (Inland sea oats) and *Elymus virginicus* (Virginia wildrye) and Agave cantula) have acted as Bio-shields for Landslides
- ▶ Bamboo also hold the earth in place with its dense and wide-spreading system of roots and act as natural Bio-shields. The roots of a bamboo plant can expand by 25 percent to hold six cubic meters of soil. Bamboo have been planted in TACLOBAN CITY, LEYTE, in Philippines.
- ▶ **Sedges** are grass like but don't grow as tall as grasses—both of these grow to around 1 foot. They have the advantage of being evergreen and also having fibrous roots. *Carex blanda* (eastern woodland sedge) *Carex cherokeensis* (Cherokee sedge)

# BIO-SHIELDS FOR LANDSLIDES

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- ✘ **Ferns** have also acted as Bio-Shields when there is enough moisture available. *Asplenium platyneuron* (ebony spleenwort) *Polystichum acrostichoides* (Christmas fern) also act as Bio-Shields as they anchor soil admirably.
- ✘ *Ziziphus jujuba* and many other species is also a natural bio-shield
- ✘ Prickly Pear (Thor – *Cactus decumanus* and *Opuntia dillenii*) a wild plant of Cactaceae Family also acts as Natural Bio-Shields in the Himalayan Regions.
- ✘ Pine Species like *Pinus Longifolia* (Chir) and *Pinus gerardiana* (Chilgoza Pine) also act as Bio-Shields.

# HESCO HAS USED BIO-SHIELDS

- × TREE SPP.
- × a) *Wendlandia excelsa*(Takuli)
- × b) *Erythrina suberosa* (Mandara)
- × B. SHRUBS:
  - ▶ a) *Vitex negundo*(Simali)
  - ▶ b) *Agave cantula* used by HESCO in Yemkeshwar, Chamoli Dugadda and Pauri.
  - ▶ c) *Adhatoda vasica*(Vasinga)
- × C. GRASS:
- × a) *Vetevaria zizaniodes*(Khas-Khas)
- × b) *Saccharum spontaneum*(Kans)
- × c) *Cymbopogon flurosence*(Saing-grass)
- × d) *Eulaliopsis binata*(Babad)
- × e) *Pogonanthrum spp.*(Khekla)
- × f) *Eriophorum comosum*(Murraya)

# **FORESTS, ENV. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM HAS STABILIZED**

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**( TURUNG, DONOK SETI KHOLA LANDSLIDE BY USING FOLLOWING )**

- × Anthrocephalus cadamba ,**
- × Erythrina indica,**
- × Pischofia javanica ,**
- × Terminalia myriocarpa,**
- × Agave americana,**
- × Schima wallichii,**
- × Alnus nepalensis**
- × Bambusa nutants**
- × Dendrocalamus hemlintonii**
- × Cephalostachym capitatum**
- × Populus Sp.**

# SOIL BIOENGINEERING FOR LANDSLIDES

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- ✘ Soil bioengineering (SB) uses live plant materials to provide erosion control, slope and stream bank stabilization, landscape restoration, and wildlife habitat. These techniques are used alone or in conjunction with conventional engineering techniques.
- ✘ Soil bioengineering employs a partnership of the professions of soil science, landscape architecture, civil, hydrological, and geotechnical engineering, and horticulture.
- ✘ Soil bioengineering is an excellent tool for stabilizing soil surface erosion. These methods should not, however, be viewed as the only solution to erosion problems.

## **BENEFITS OF SB**

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- ✘ Projects usually require less heavy equipment excavation. As a result, there is less cost and less impact. In addition, limiting crews to one entrance and exit route will cause less soil disturbance to the site and adjoining areas.
- ✘ Erosion areas often begin small and eventually expand to a size requiring costly traditional engineering solutions. Installing soil bioengineered systems while the site problem is small will provide economic savings and minimize potential impacts to the road and adjoining resources.
- ✘ Use of native plant materials and seed may provide additional savings. Costs are limited to labor for harvesting, handling, and transport to the project site. Indigenous plant species are usually readily available and well adapted to local climate and soil conditions.

## BENEFITS OF SB

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- ✘ Soil bioengineering projects may be installed during the dormant season of late fall, winter, and early spring. This is often when other construction work is slow.
- ✘ Soil bioengineering is often useful on sensitive or steep sites where use of heavy machinery is not feasible.
- ✘ Soil bioengineering systems are strong initially and grow stronger as vegetation becomes established. Even if plants die, roots and surface organic litter continues to play an important role during reestablishment of other plants.
- ✘ Once plants are established, root systems reinforce the soil mantle and remove excess moisture from the soil profile. This is often the key to long-term soil stability.
- ✘ Soil bioengineering provides improved landscape and habitat values.

# BIOENGINEERING MEASURES IN MIDDLE PORTION OF VARUNAVAT PARVAT

To ease the process of stabilization, benches were formed and these were then covered by geo-jute to check soil erosion and conserve soil moisture.

Species were used for bioengineering

*Cymbopogon citratus*

*Cymbopogon martinii*

*Cymbopogon nardus*

*Pennisetum purpureum*

*Panicum maximum*

*Crotalaria sp.*

*Mimosa himalayana*

*Debregeasia hypoleuca*

*Vitex negundo*

*Rumex hasatus*

*Alnus nepalensis*

*Bauhinia variegata*

*Trema politoria*





# BIOENGINEERING MEASURES IN DUMPING SITES

## Species used for bioengineering application..

- *Cymbopogon citratus*,
- *Cymbopogon martinii*
- *Cymbopogon nardus*
- *Pennisetum purpureum*
- *Stylosanthes hamata*
- *Dodonaea viscosa*
- *Rumex hasatus*
- *Vitex negundo*
- *Crotalaria sp.*
- *Alnus nepalensis*
- *Trema politoria*
- *Bauhinia variegata*



# CONCLUSIONS

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- ✘ Institutions and organisations must coordinate with each other to stop duplication of Landslide work.
- ✘ A Nodal Agency should act as Watchdog to avoid duplication of work. NDMA and GSI can work as Watchdog.
- ✘ Each Institution/organisation must adopt a landslide to do research in each and every method so that understanding of its problem is fully exploited.
- ✘ Minimum instrumentation required for Early Warning System (EWS) must be arrived at so



Thanks