

# Disaster Risks in a Changing Climate

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## Global Warming of 1.5°C

An IPCC special report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, in the context of strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, sustainable development, and efforts to eradicate poverty



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# Where are we now?

Since pre-industrial times, human activities have caused approximately 1°C of global warming.

- Already seeing consequences for people, nature and livelihoods
- At current rate, would reach 1.5°C between 2030 and 2052
- Past emissions alone do not commit the world to 1.5°C



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# Impacts of global warming 1.5°C (At 1.5°C compared to 2°C)




- Less extreme weather where people live, including extreme heat and rainfall
- By 2100, global mean sea level rise will be around 10 cm lower but may continue to rise for centuries
- 10 million fewer people exposed to risk of rising seas
- Lower impact on biodiversity and species
- Smaller reductions in yields of maize, rice, wheat
- Global population exposed to increased water shortages is up to 50% less
- Lower risk to fisheries and the livelihoods that depend on them
- Up to several hundred million fewer people exposed to climate-related risk and susceptible to poverty by 2050

Tropical Southeast Asia: projected to experience the largest impacts on economic growth



# Greenhouse gas emissions pathways

- To limit warming to 1.5°C, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions fall by about 45% by 2030 (from 2010 levels)
- To limit warming to 1.5°C, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions would need to reach 'net zero' around 2050
- Reducing non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions would have direct and immediate health benefits



# Greenhouse gas emissions pathways

- Limiting warming to 1.5°C would require changes on an unprecedented scale
  - Deep emissions cuts in all sectors
  - A range of technologies
  - Behavioural changes
  - Increased investment in low carbon options
- Progress in renewables would need to be mirrored in other sectors
- We would need to start taking carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere

# Chapter 24, Asia: Coverage - 51 countries/regions

Source: IPCC, 2013

## Central Asia (5)

- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Tajikistan
- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan

## North Asia (2)

- Mongolia
- Russia (East of Urals)

## East Asia (7)

- China, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (Hong Kong SAR)
- China, Macao Special Administrative Region
- Japan
- North Korea
- People's Republic of China (China)
- South Korea
- Taiwan Province of China (Taiwan POC)

## West Asia (17)

- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bahrain
- Georgia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Israel
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- Lebanon
- Palestine
- Oman
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia
- Syria
- United Arab Emirates
- Yemen

## South Asia (8)

- Afghanistan
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- India
- Maldives
- Nepal
- Pakistan
- Sri Lanka

## Southeast Asia (12)

- Brunei
- Indonesia
- Lao People's Democratic
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Papua New Guinea
- The Philippines
- Republic Cambodia
- Singapore
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Vietnam



# Key Risks in Asia (AR5)

Increased **coastal, riverine and urban flooding** leading to widespread damage to infrastructure and settlements in Asia (medium confidence)

Increased risk of **flood-related deaths, injuries, infectious diseases and mental disorders** (medium confidence)

Increased risk of **heat-related mortality** (high confidence)

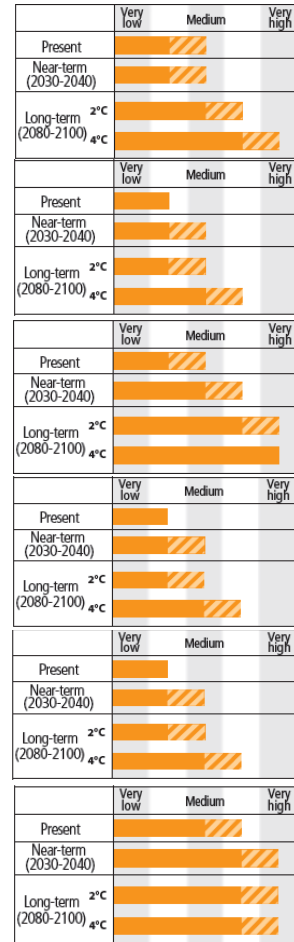
Increased risk of **water and vector-borne diseases** (medium confidence)

Increased risk of drought-related water and food shortage **causing malnutrition** (high confidence)

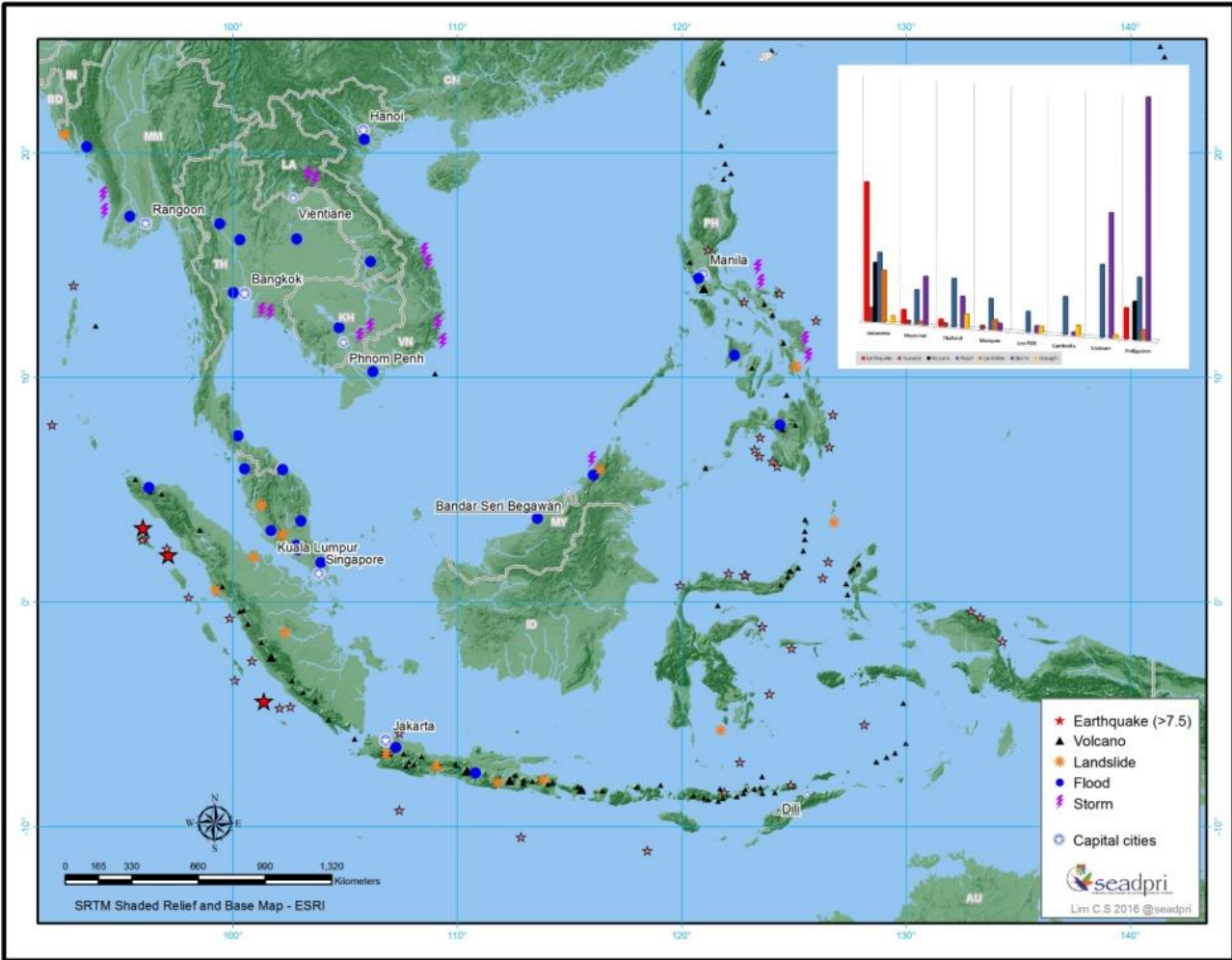
Water shortage in arid areas of Asia (medium confidence)

## KEY CONCLUSIONS: IPCC-WG2, Chapter 24, Asia

- ❑ Water scarcity is expected to be a major challenge for most of the region due to increased water demand and lack of good management (*medium confidence*)
- ❑ There is **low confidence** in future precipitation projections at a sub-regional scale and thus in future freshwater availability in most parts of Asia.
- ❑ **Integrated water management strategies** could help adapt to climate change, including developing water saving technologies, increasing water productivity, and water reuse.



# Disasters Events in Southeast Asia (last updated 2011)



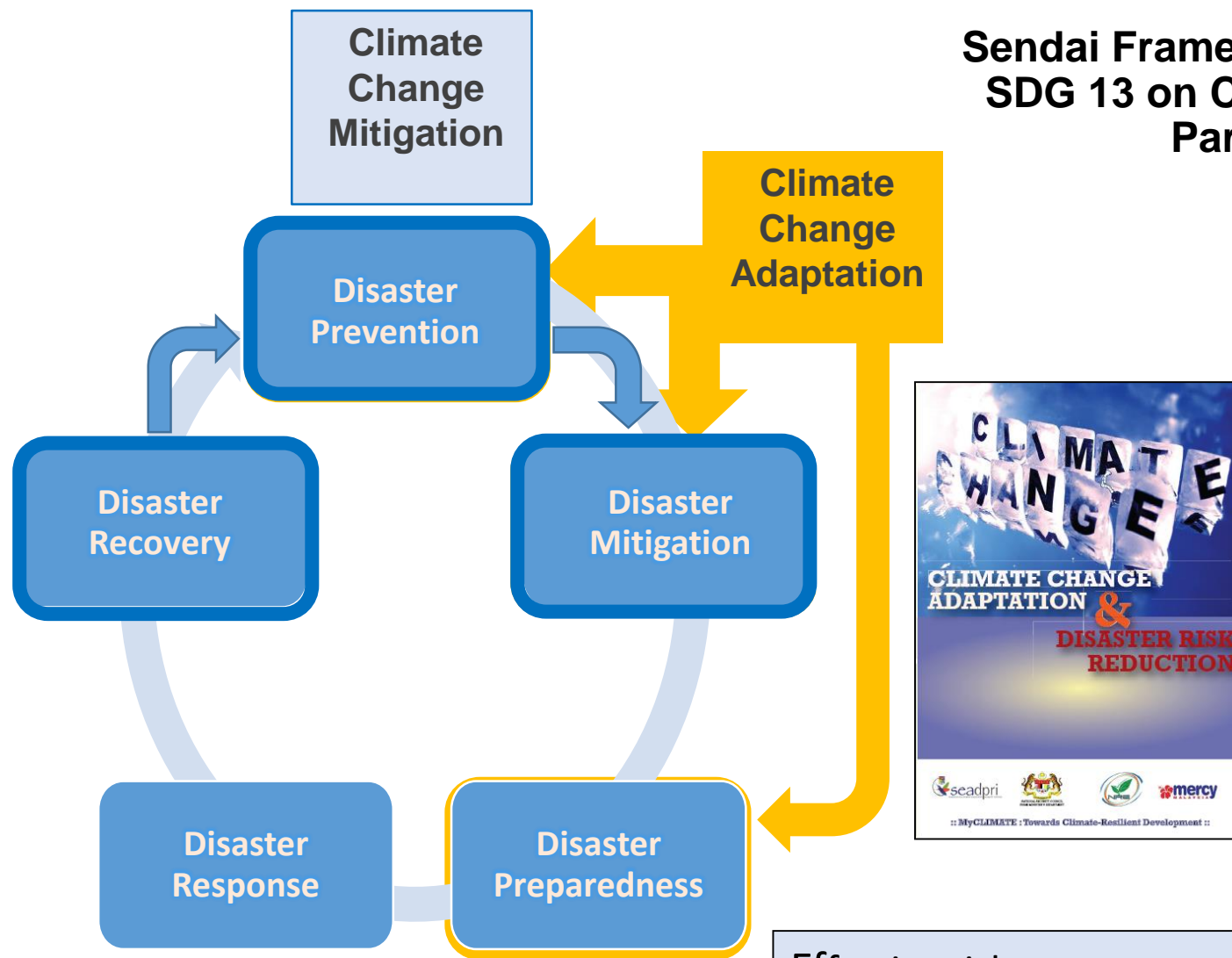
The first step in adaptation to future climate change – reduce vulnerability and exposure to present climate variability (IPCC 2014)

The majority of disasters that affect Southeast Asia are climate driven (flood, landslide, storm, drought) except for earthquake and volcanic eruption, which occurs primarily in Indonesia and The Philippines. Climate related threats account for 30% of the total GDP damage across cities in the region, where total GDP at risk can be as high as 5% [Source: Cambridge Centre for Risk Studies]



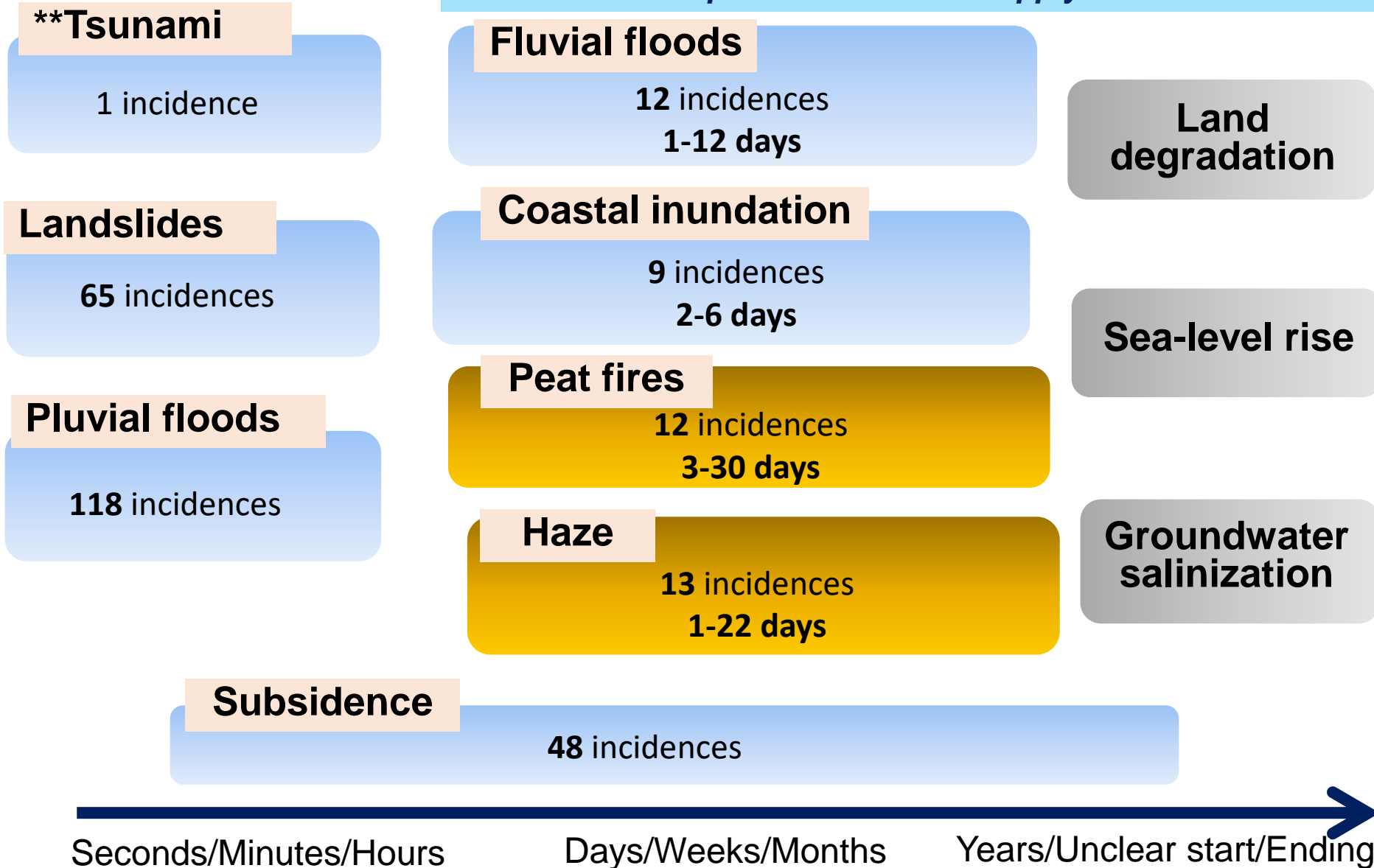
# Disaster Risk Reduction as an entry point

Sendai Framework on DRR  
SDG 13 on Climate Action  
Paris Agreement





Effective risk management and adaptation are tailored to local and regional needs and circumstances (IPCC 2014)

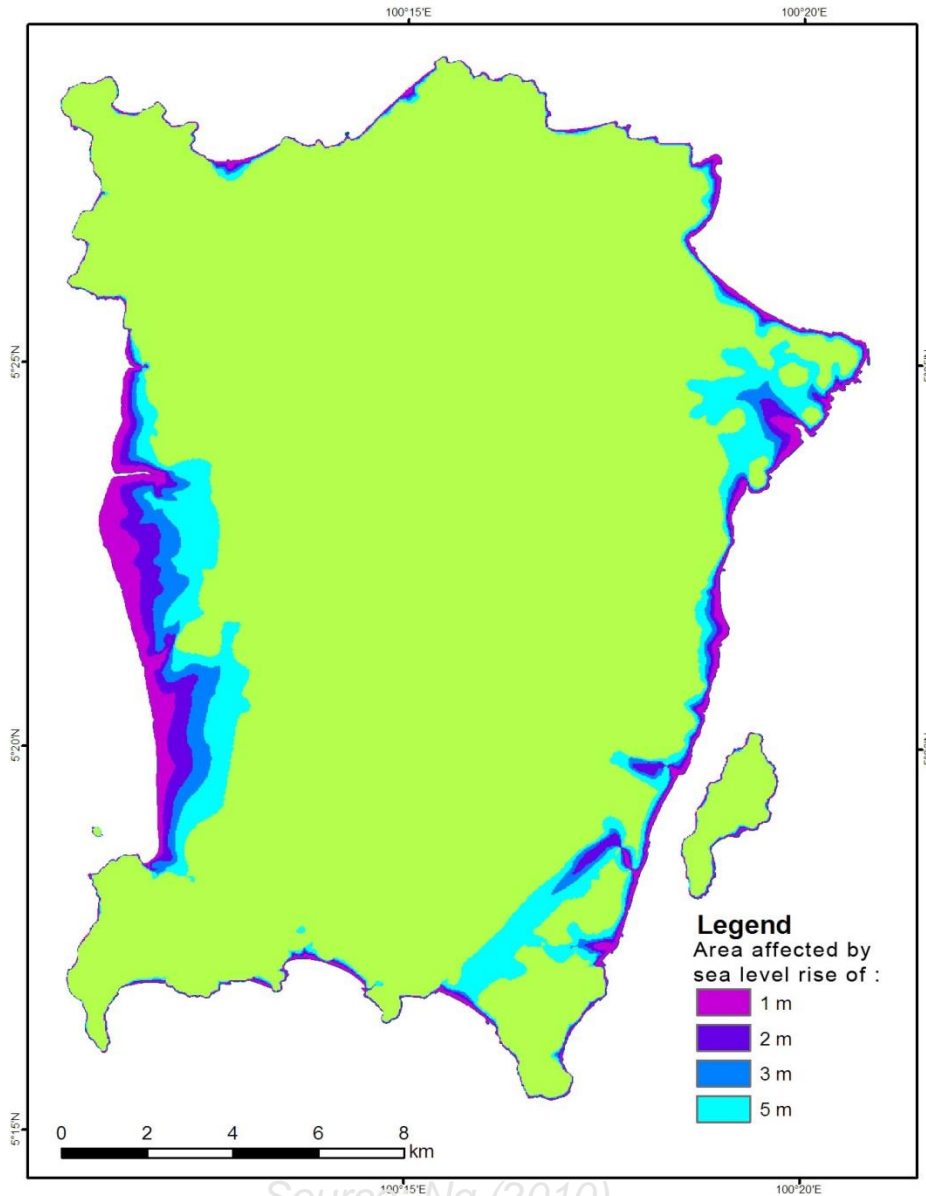
*What are the new risks? Where are the vulnerable groups?  
Where are the exposed assets and supply chains?*



# Scale of Information

SCALE OF INFORMATION FOR DECISION MAKING			
SCALE OF INFORMATION	SIZE OF AREA	TYPE OF DATA	REMARKS
1:100,000	 <p>Large</p>	 <p>Interpreted</p>	Scientific Knowledge: Satellite imageries, DEM, topographic, geological maps etc. for desktop studies and general surveys.
1:50,000			Scientific Knowledge: Airborne LiDAR, aerial images, field mapping etc. for specialized surveys.
1:20,000			Scientific Knowledge: Airborne LiDAR, field mapping, etc. for landuse planning and development suitability.
1:10,000			Scientific Knowledge: Terrestrial LiDAR, susceptibility investigation, field survey, etc. for local zoning and site investigation.
1:5,000			Community Knowledge: Household surveys and <u>crowd sourcing</u> .
1:2,500	Small	Observed	
1:1,000			

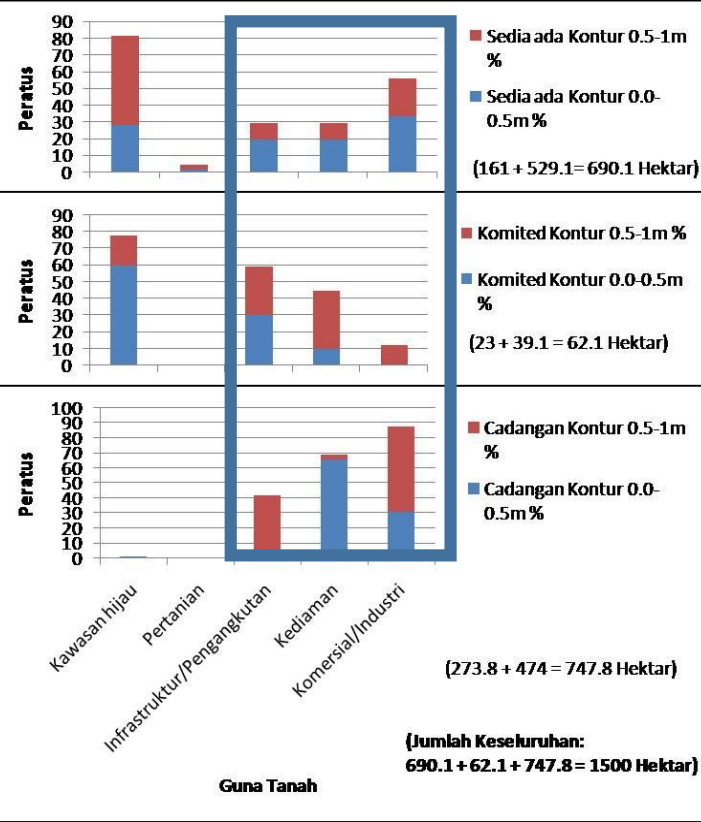
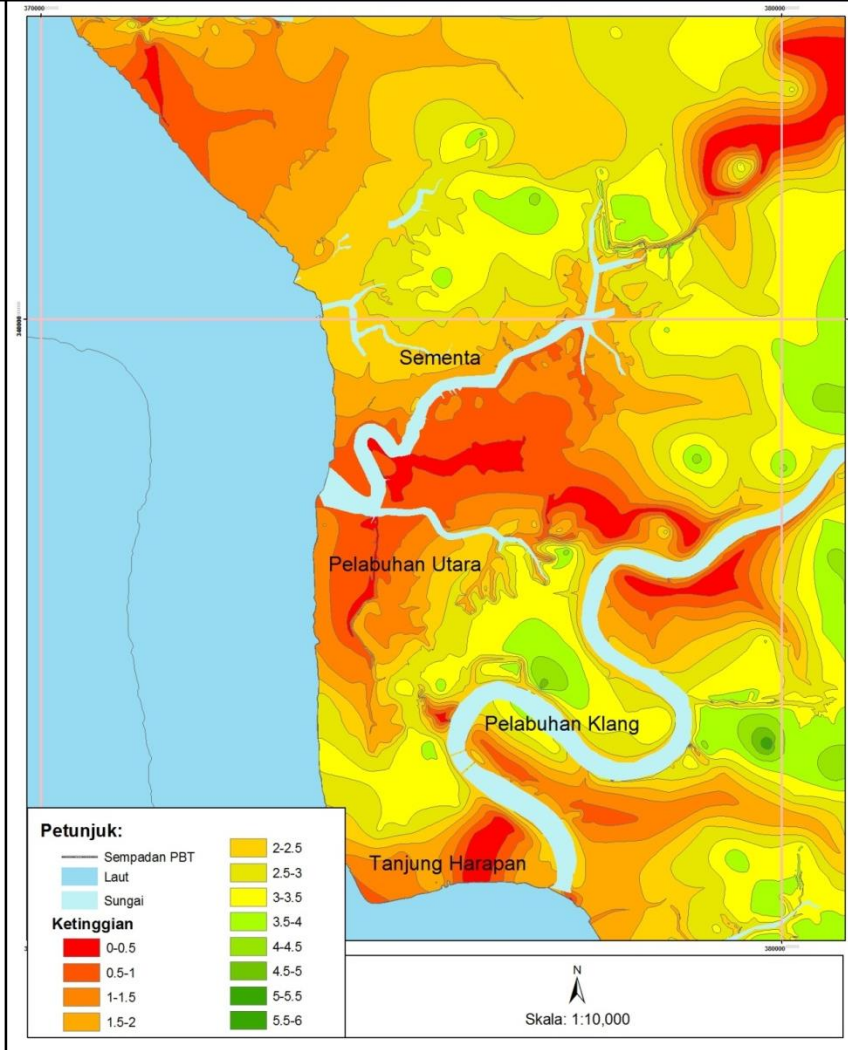
# Areas Potentially Affected by Sea-Level Rise in Penang Island



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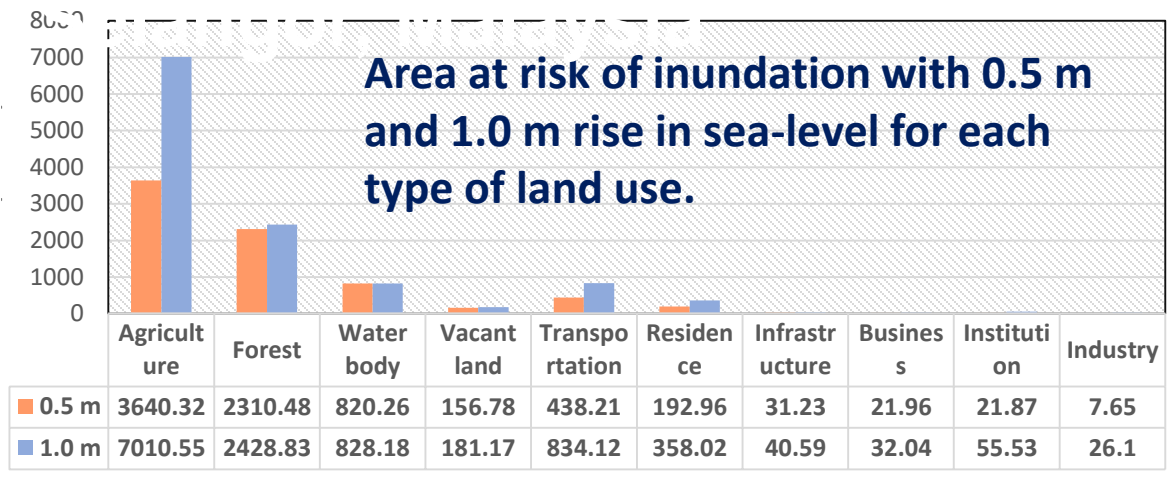
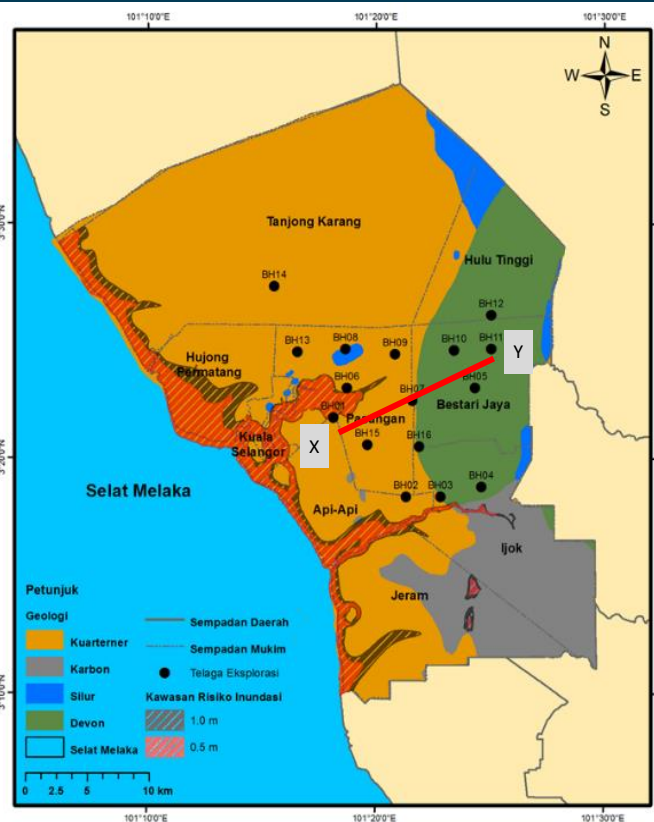
# Areas Potentially Affected by Sea Level Rise in Port Klang, Malaysia



Source: Rasyidah et al., 2013 based on data from JPBD Selangor.  
Projection by NAHRIM for 2100

Adaptation Measures:  
Informed planning; Early warning systems; Maintenance of drainage; Risk pooling; Relocation, etc.

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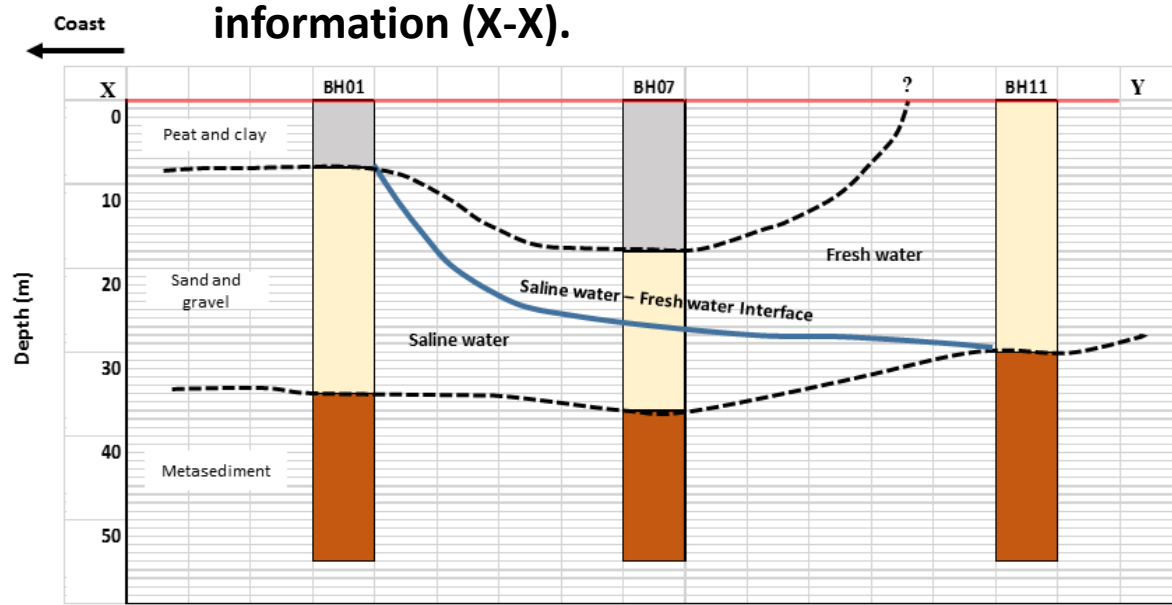


Type of Land use

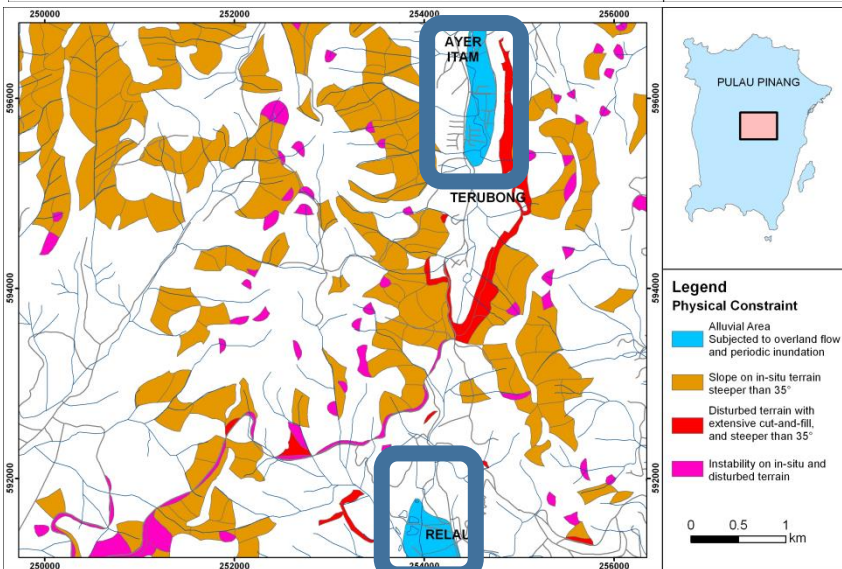
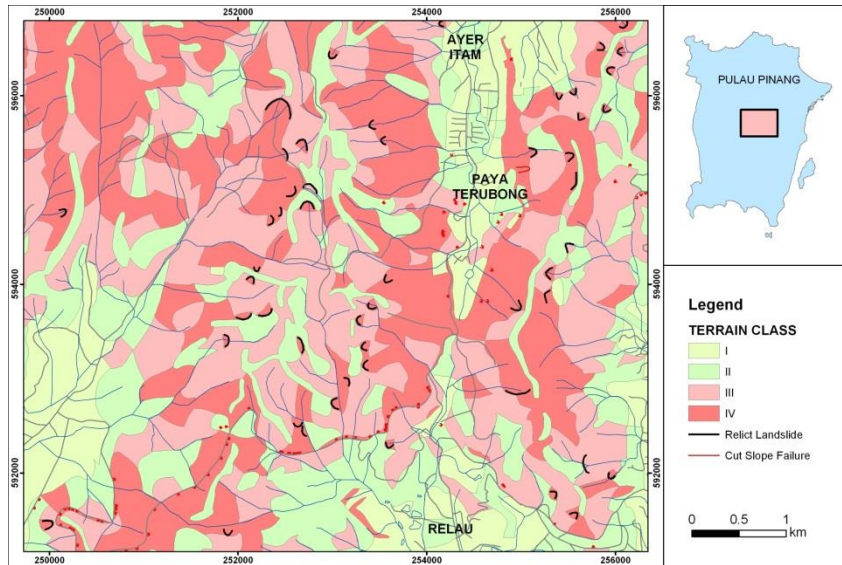
Land use and areas under risk of inundation due to 0.5 m and 1.0 m sea level rise.

Source: Umi, A.J., Lim, C.S. & Pereira, J.J. 2018. Bulletin of the Geological Society of Malaysia, 66, 107-119.

## East-west cross-section based on sub-surface information (X-X).



# Areas Susceptible to Landslides/Floods



## Risk Factors:

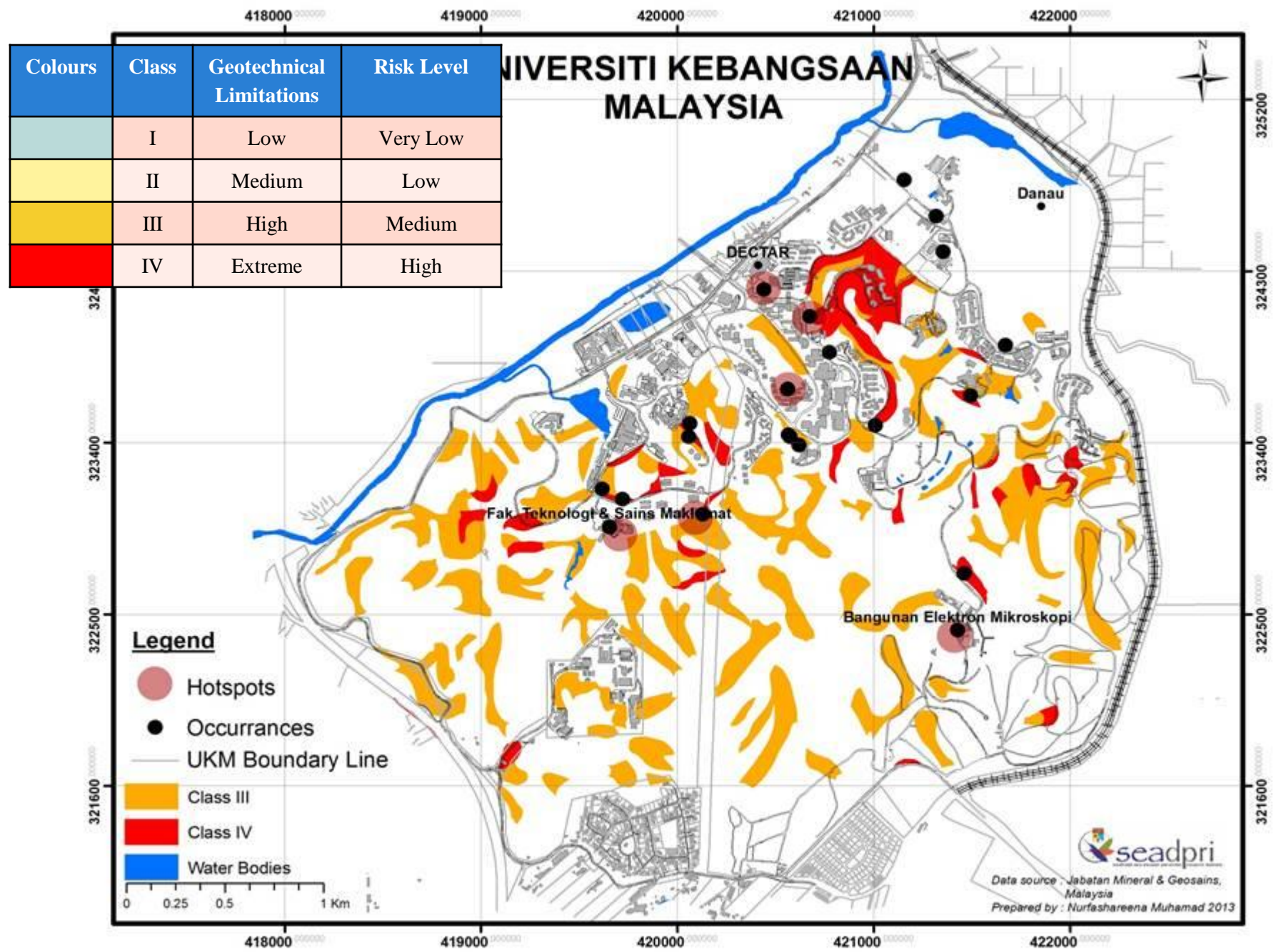
- Uninformed planning
- Development in unsuitable terrain
- Cleared areas/blocked drainage

## Adaptation Measures:

- Informed planning
- Regular slope inspection and maintenance
- Early warning systems
- Local community engagement
- Risk Pooling, etc.

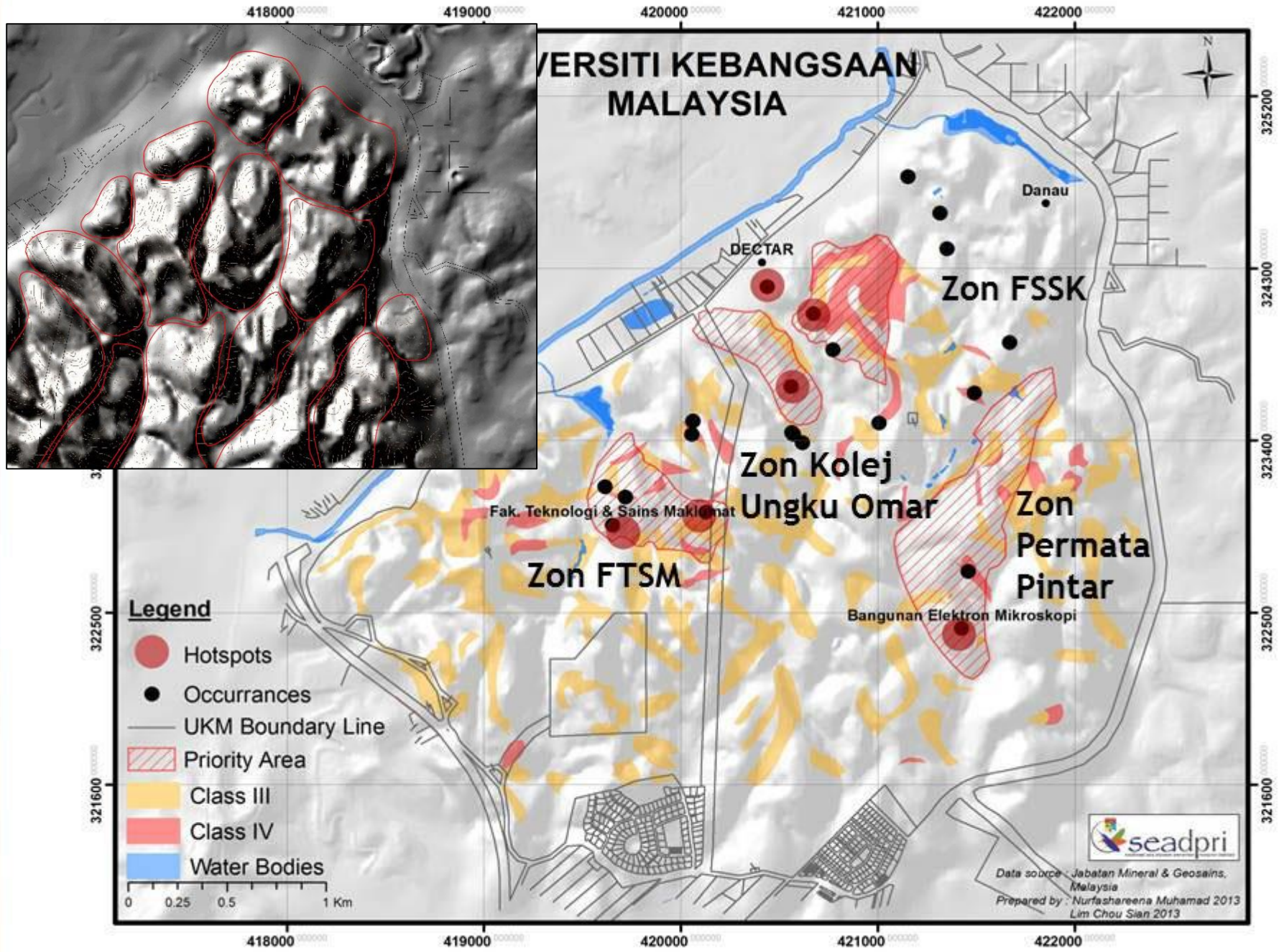
Source: Ng, 2011 based on data from JMG

# Landslides locations, built up areas and geological terrain in UKM



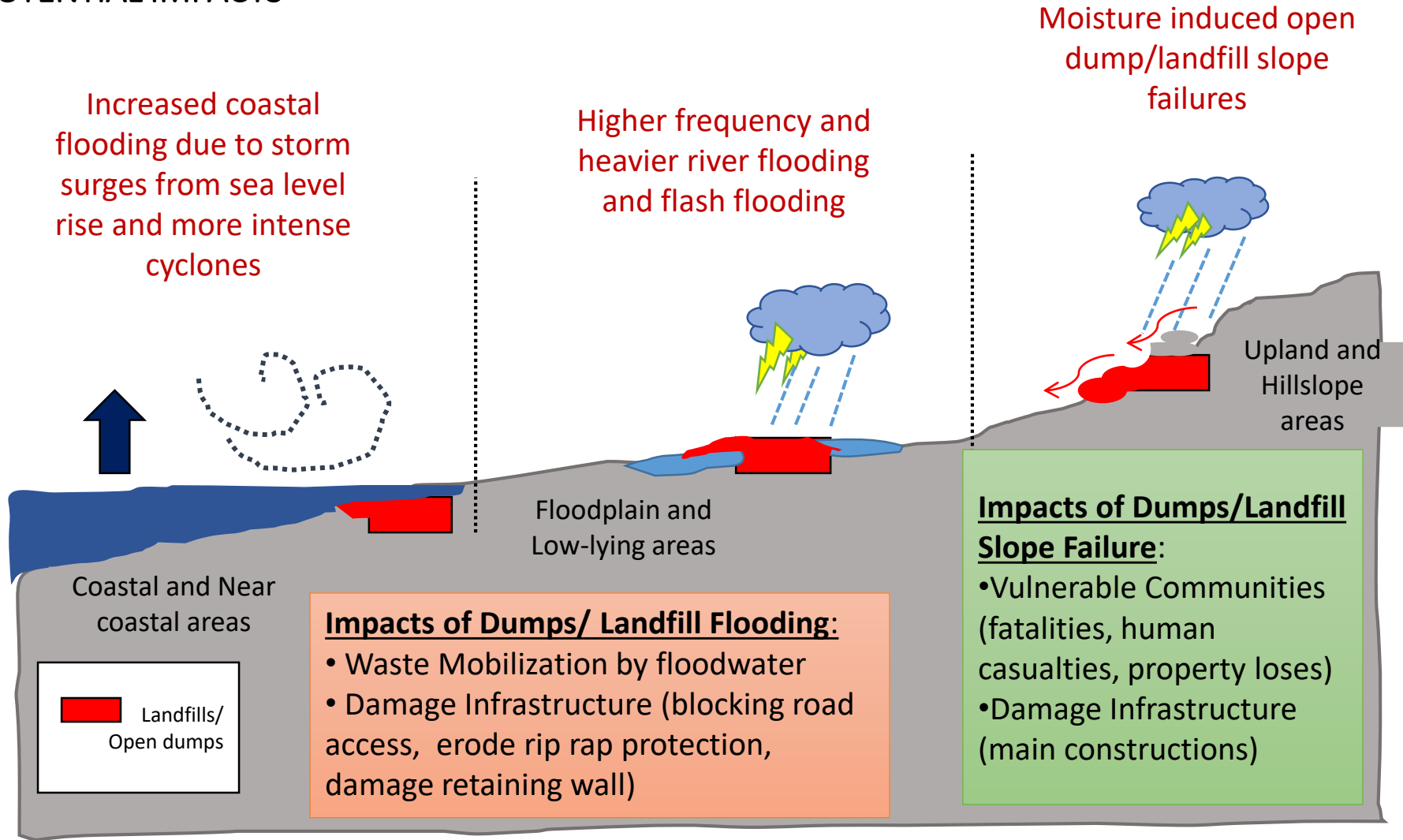


# Relief and terrain of classes 3 and 4

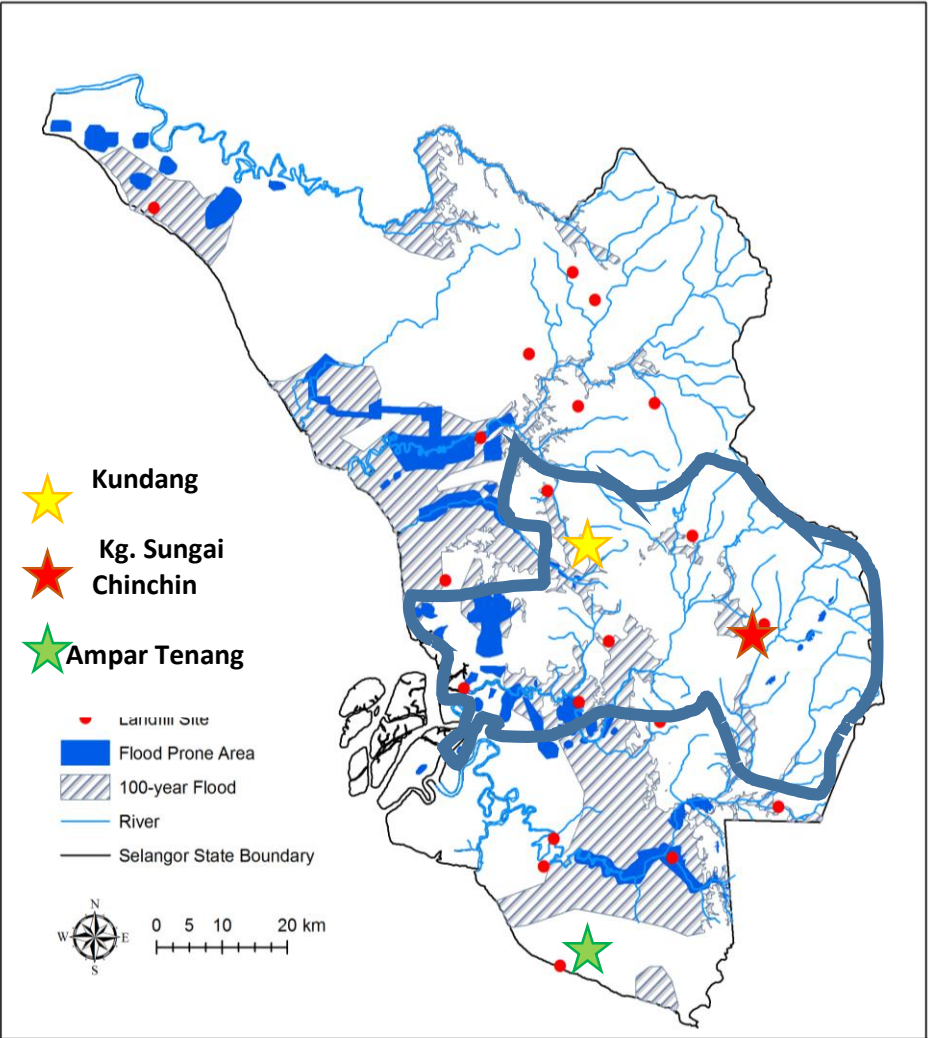


# Emerging Hazards and Cascading Effects

## POTENTIAL IMPACTS



# Landfills and Emerging Hazards



### Exposure of Landfill Sites:

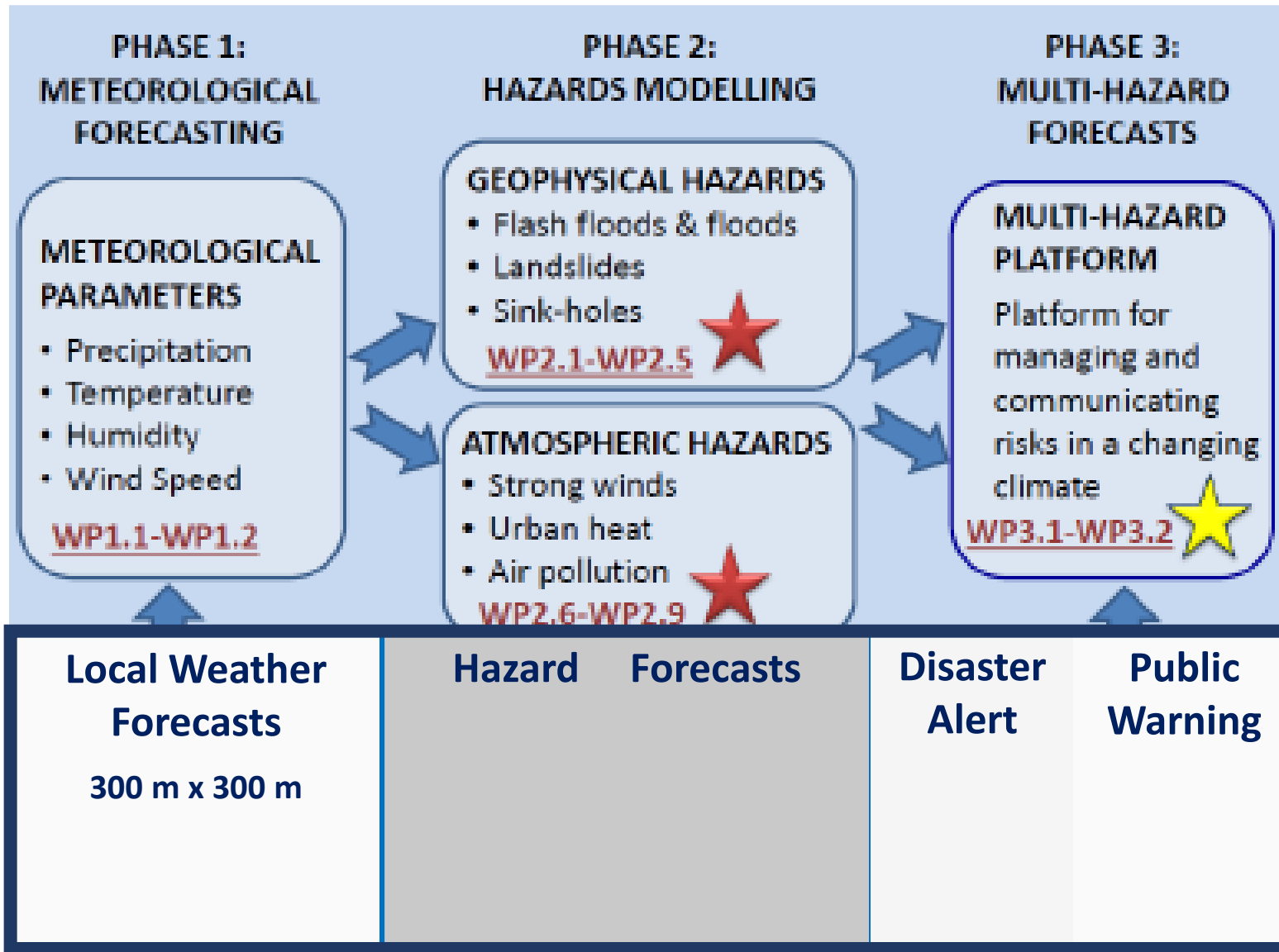
- Number of sites located within flood prone area: **4**
- Number of sites located within 100-year flood: **9**
- Number of sites potentially exposed to impacts from sea level rise: **3**



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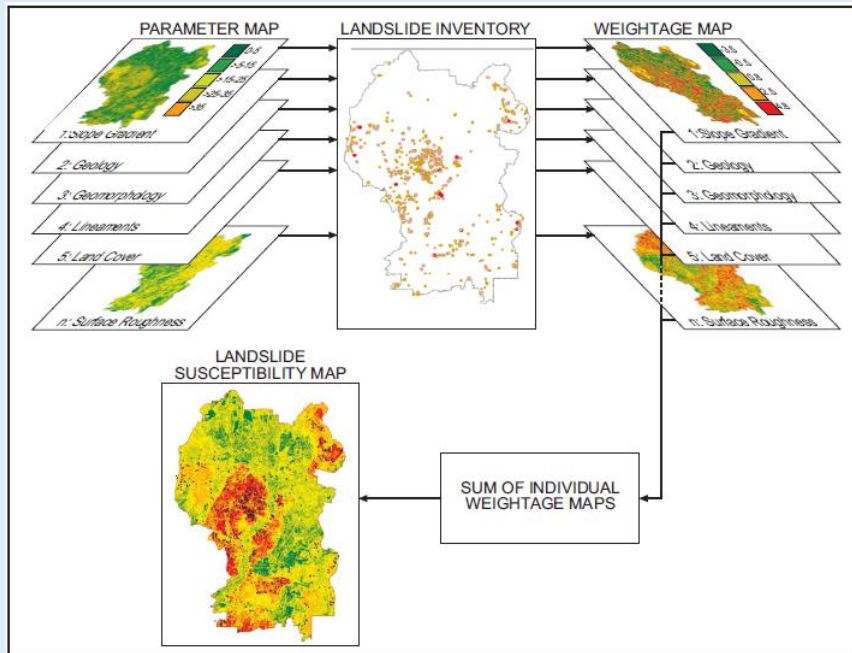
Flood prone area and 100-year flood map with identified active and closed landfill sites in Selangor. (Sources: Flood map adapted from RFN-2 Report 2009, landfill sites from NAHRIM and NRE 2010) Source: Nurul, Lim and Pereira 2013

# Disaster Resilient Kuala Lumpur

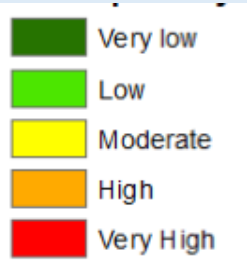


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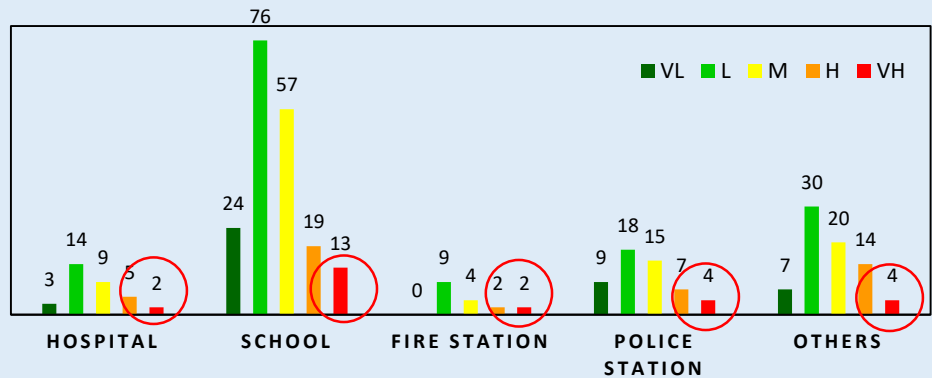


### Susceptibility Level

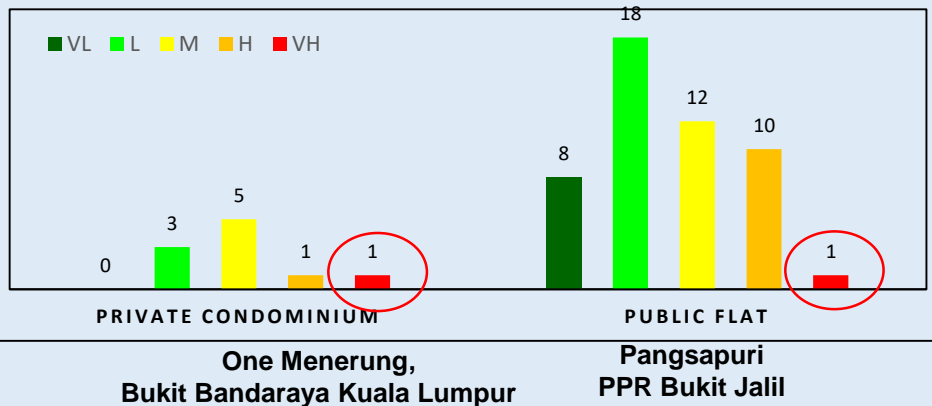


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### EXPOSURE OF CRITICAL FACILITIES



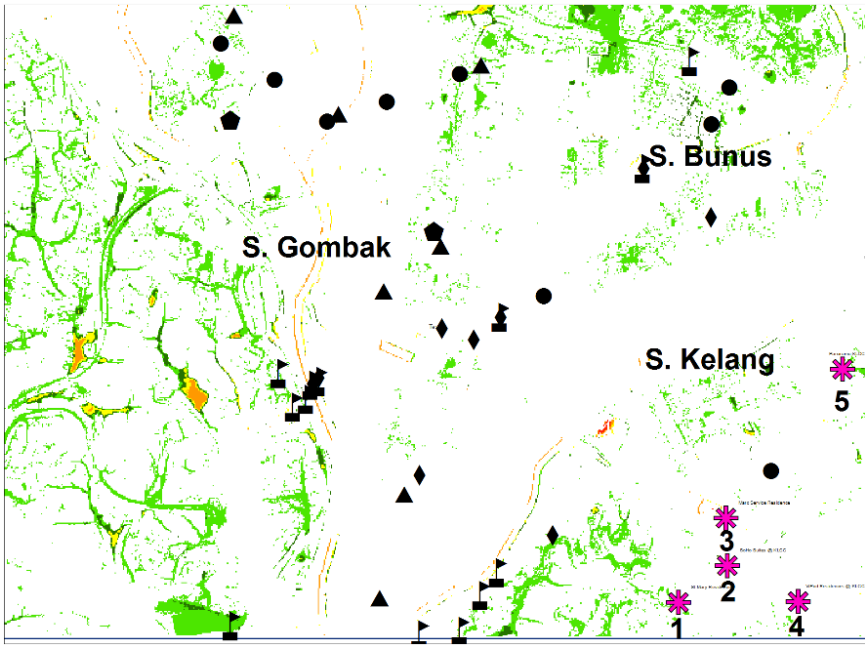
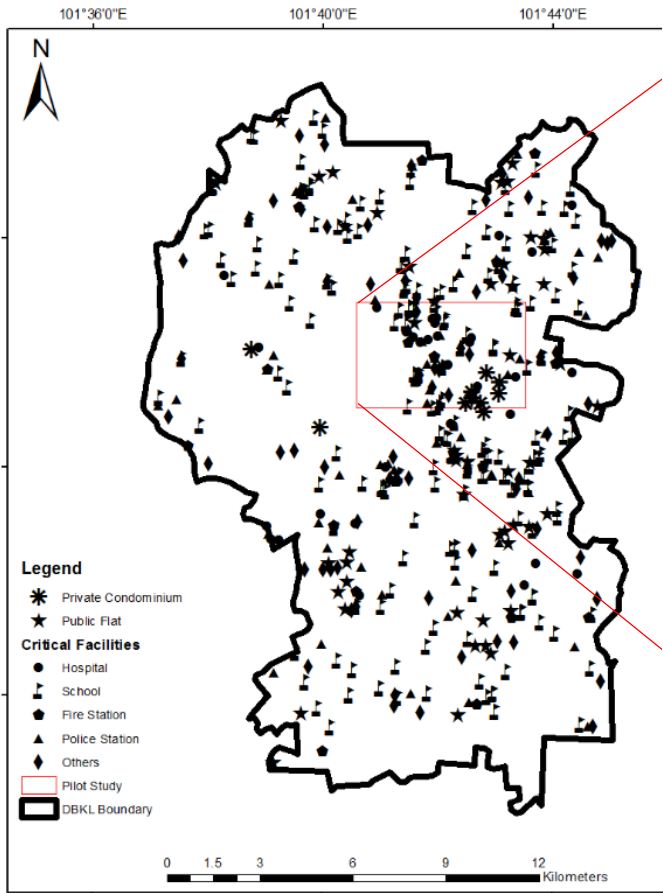
### EXPOSURE OF PRIVATE CONDOMINIUM AND PUBLIC FLATS (PPA & PPR)



Further work is ongoing to refine findings.

# PILOT STUDY ON PLUVIAL FLOOD IN KUALA LUMPUR

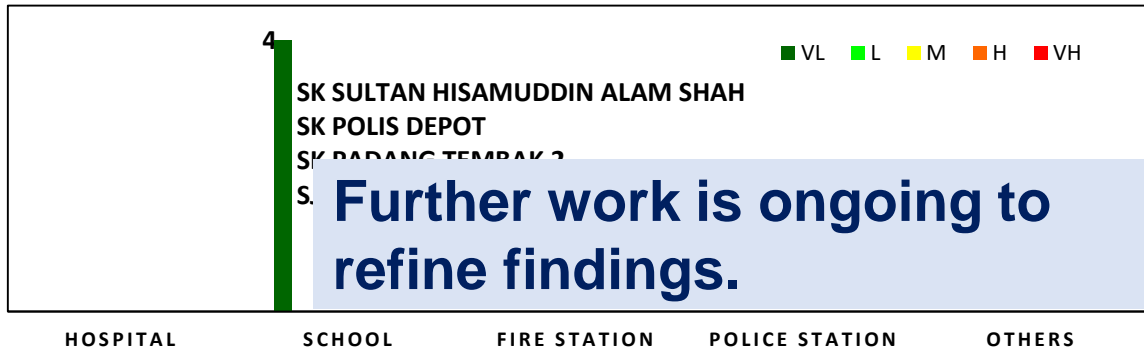
## Preliminary Findings



- \* Private Condominium
- ★ Public Flat
- Critical Facilities**
  - Hospital
  - 🏫 School
  - 🚒 Fire Station
  - 👮 Police Station
  - ◆ Others
- ▭ Pilot Study
- ▭ DBKL Boundary

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### EXPOSURE OF CRITICAL FACILITIES IN PILOT STUDY



# Concluding Remarks

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- ❖ **DRR is going to be increasingly challenging** with future climate extremes and change, limiting global warming to 1.5°C is vital;
- ❖ There is a need to advance area and **context specific actions for fast and slow onset hazards** as well as its cascading effects – to identify local level limits to adaptation;
- ❖ Scale of science information (based on natural boundaries) needs to match the **decision-making scale at the local level**;
- ❖ Scientific inputs need to be **synchronised with local administrative processes** (e.g. local plan reviews etc.);
- ❖ Establishment of **local knowledge networks** to provide sustained support to local level decision-makers – e.g. **ASM DRR Research Alliance Committee**, to promote university led, place-based research consortiums;
- ❖ Promote **transparency in science** (e.g. hazard modelling) and **public access to findings** through web-based products.

“Those who have the privilege to know have the duty to act”.

Albert Einstein

*THANK YOU!*



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