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### Adaptation to what? Likely impacts...



Source: Adapted from IPCC 2007.

### Six Climate Threats

#### Top 12 Countries Most at Risk from Each

Low Income			Middle Income	High Income	
Drought	Flood	Storm	Coastal 1m	Coastal 5m	Agriculture
Malawi	Bangladesh	Philippines	All low-lying Island States	All low-lying Island States	Sudan
Ethiopia	China	Bangladesh	Vietnam	Netherlands	Senegal
Zimbabwe	India	Madagascar	Egypt	Japan	Zimbabwe
India	Cambodia	Vietnam	Tunisia	Bangladesh	Mali
Mozambique	Mozambique	Moldova	Indonesia	Philippines	Zambia
Niger	Laos	Mongolia	Mauritania	Egypt	Morocco
Mauritania	Pakistan	Haiti	China	Brazil	Niger
Eritrea	Sri Lanka	Samoa	Mexico	Venezuela	India
Sudan	Thailand	Tonga	Myanmar	Senegal	Malawi
Chad	Vietnam	China	Bangladesh	Fiji	Algeria
Kenya	Benin	Honduras	Senegal	Vietnam	Ethiopia
Iran	Rwanda	Fiji	Libya	Denmark	Pakistan

Source: World Bank staff.

## Adaptation is particularly important for poor countries where climate risks are higher...



Source: World Bank staff.

# Adaptation is today's priority: number and impact of natural disasters are both increasing...



*Source:* Centre for the Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters, Universite Catholique de Louvain. <u>www.emdat.eb</u> Disasters include floods, droughts, landslides, extreme temperature events, wind storms, wave/storm surges and wildfires.



#### Economic impact of drought is highest in agriculture, with the least impact on services Andhra Pradesh, India



Source: World Bank

#### Overall economic impact will further decline due to a structural shift towards service sectors

- Scenario 1 GVA Loss due to drought under the current structure of the AP economy:
  - GVA in agriculture 20%
  - GVA in Services 50%
- Scenario 2 GVA Loss due to same drought risks under the structure similar to that of Brazil:
  - GVA in agriculture 10%
  - GVA in services 65%



Source: World Bank

### But disparities remain and may increase

- Population dependent on agriculture remains significant
- Loss of employment remains key concern
  - The total employment loss due to 2002 drought was over 4 million
- Individual farmers and communities continue suffering severe losses and falling into poverty
- Adaptation needs and strategies are local: need strong local institutions and targeted, customized support programs to those in need

## Impacts are highly variable by location, crop and drought severity: drought-prone districts in AP, India



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Sunflower yields

#### Maize yields



#### Effective coping strategies are location-specific Analysis of adaptation responses in AP, India

- Coping (adaptation) strategy:
  - Permanently reduce rice area and use surplus water for irrigating less water intensive crops
- Effective for Anantapur
  - Increases crop production value by one/ third
  - Reduces losses by half in drought years
- But limited scope in Mahabubnagar



Source: World Bank

#### **Data Needs for Climate Change Adaptation (1)**

#### Meteorological Data

- First priority: digitization of historical records
- Breadth over depth: more weather stations collecting basic data -> rainfall variability often more important than mean
- Improved seasonal forecasting (e.g. droughts)
- Need long consistent time series start now
- Natural Disaster Data
- Better understanding of spatial extent and duration
- Better estimates of impacts and costs
- Mitigating/exacerbating factors

#### Data Needs for Climate Change Adaptation (2)

#### Agricultural Data

- Spatially-varying data on crop yields, soil degradation; groundwater recharge and drawdown
- Coping strategies (diversification), cultivars and varieties (e.g. drought resistant), soil/water/crop mgt practices, etc.

#### Water Management Data

- Spatiotemporal distribution of river discharge/hydrology
- Water demand and scarcity

#### Ecosystems

Baselines of biodiversity, species ranges and ecosystem function; spread of invasive species; rate of deforestation

#### Health

Changes in incidence of climate-related vector-borne diseases and shifts in vectors' ranges

#### Data Needs for Climate Change Adaptation (3)

#### Climate Change Projections

- Global Circulation Model data: Utilize model outputs: mean changes but also climate extremes for the region
- Need to understand where models agree and performance of GCMs for the area
- Downscaling climate projections (Regional Climate Models, statistical techniques)

 But depends on question and use (e.g. impact modeling for water resources)

- In general, dearth of downscaling for critical areas in developing world, e.g. Africa

#### **Data Needs for Climate Change Adaptation (4)**

#### • Economic data

- Economic losses form impacts
- Costs of actions that reduce/avoid losses:
  - ✓ Investment costs, economic costs (and benefits)
  - ✓ By sector and location
  - ✓ By technology and type of infrastructure
  - ✓ At different level- country, local government, community, household
- Instruments: technical estimates, surveys (spatial referencing consistent with physical data important), I/O and macro-models

#### Policies and institutions

- Subsidies (water, crops), disaster management programs, insurance schemes, micro-finance, etc.
- Coordination mechanisms, particularly at the local level; planning processes, extension services, availability of weather and marketing information

#### **How Much Does Adaptation Cost?**

#### There Are Some Estimates, but the Ranges Are Wide and Uncertain



Source: UNFCCC 2007.

## Key messages

## Large data needs: important to prioritize and use resources effectively

- Spatially disaggregated and referenced data
- Level of complexity should match capacity to collect, analyze and maintain over long time periods
- > Complex data good; simple, reliable and consistent better
- Easy to aggregate and link to other datasets

#### > Build on existing instruments and capacity:

- Hydro-metrological service
  - more stations collecting basic data
- Household and institutional surveys
  - Special referencing linked to hydro-met data, select additional questions
- Economic statistics and modeling

Coordination in collection, analysis and use of data across agencies

## How can World Bank help?

- IDA and Climate Change Paper
  - A case for integrating adaptation in IDA-supported programs
- Global Economics of Adaptation study
  - Developing country case studies
  - Methodologies, estimates, capacity needs
- Country, regional and sectoral analyses
- Pilot adaptation programs: building knowledge, capacity, institutional and investment models
- Climate risk insurance products
- Hydromet services strengthening projects
- Proposed Pilot Climate Resilience Program
  - Integrating adaptation in development planning

#### Good News: Smart investment in Adaptationrelevant Data is Cost-Effective

Avoided damages per 100 Euros spent on National Meteorological and Hydromet Services



 Each 100 Euros spent in meteorological systems yields at least 200 Euros in avoided damages

## **THANK YOU!**