

Snapshot of TERIs work on understanding risk and responses in coastal cities

Coastlines, Coastal Cities, and Climate Change: A Perspective on Risk & Vulnerabilities

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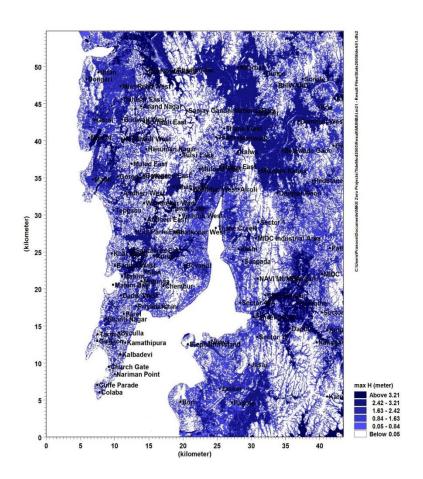
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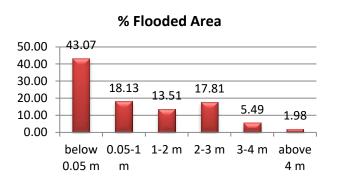
- India has a huge coastline and 2 island UTs that are highly exposed to the vagaries of weather and an enhanced climatic situation
- Coastal regions uniquely placed with exposure to additional element of risk largely with regard to SLR and storm surges apart from the impact on other sectors
- Geographical, biophysical factors further enhance the impacts with a low lying terrain and huge erosivity and subsidence
- Apart from other sectors tourism and Infrastructure turn out to be sectors of importance in many coastal cities/ regions
- Specific impacts
 - From SLR, storm surges, cyclone incidences
 - Coastal and inland flooding, heavy precipitation incidences, human discomfort created by the wet bulb temperatures, increasing demands – energy, water, food, other services



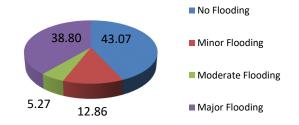
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Spatial Modelling of Flooding in the city: Area flooded and Water Depth, during a heavy precipitation incidence, Mumbai 2005





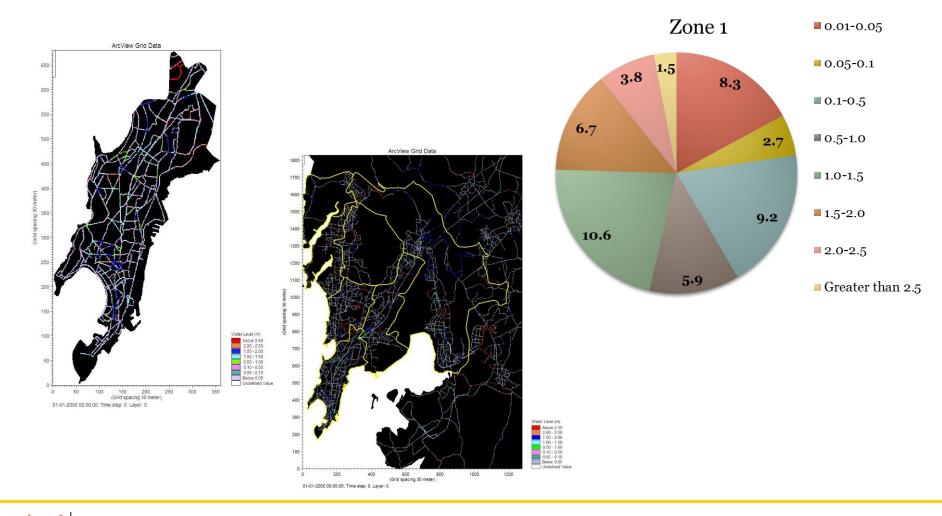
Distribution of flood stage (Area in %)



What are the Infrastructure services in cities likely to be affected and therefore have a huge socioeconomic impact, where are the hotspots, vulnerable points that need to be targeted to ensure a response that effectively addresses the risk as in many cases all of this links upto investments that are needed either for new measures for grading up of existing systems

- Water services
- Sewerage and drainage quality of water
- Transport road network, the horizontal and vertical spreads
- Social infrastructure
- Tourism and telecommunications

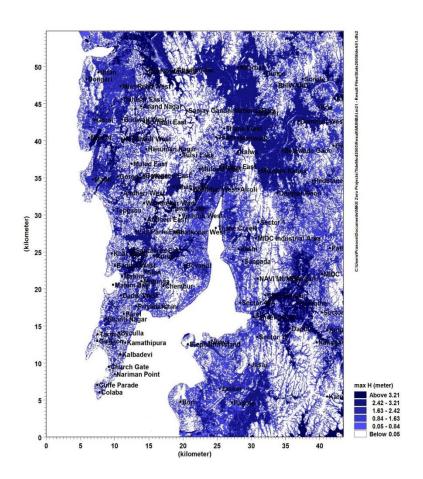
Flooding on Roads

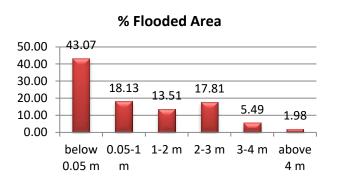


Preparing the Response – study done by TERI for the cities of Goa and Vizag, supported by the USAID

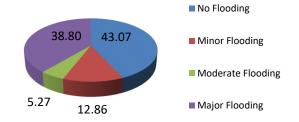
- A profiling of the city identifying the high and low points of the city...understanding the contours
- What are the concerned impacts that concern the city for instance heavy precipitation incidences in the Konkan and it could be some other incidence elsewhere
- A thorough understanding and preparation of an Inventory –
 includes development of a database management system that
 provides a profiling of man made infrastructure in the city
 - A detailed elevation model
 - Data intensive process collection of data of the infrastructure in the city
 - Spatial mapping of all relevant infrastructure

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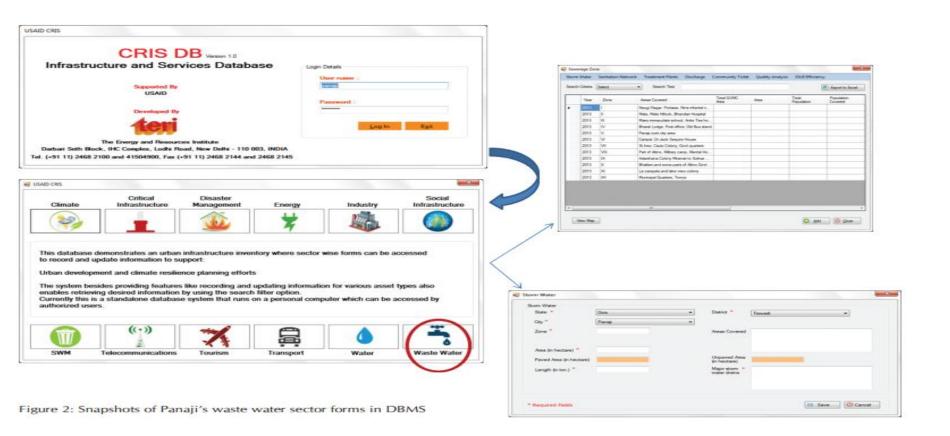




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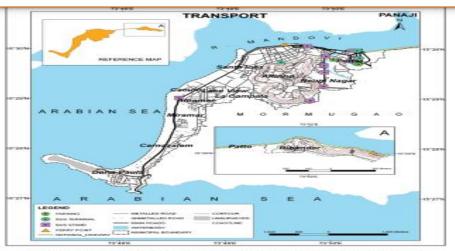
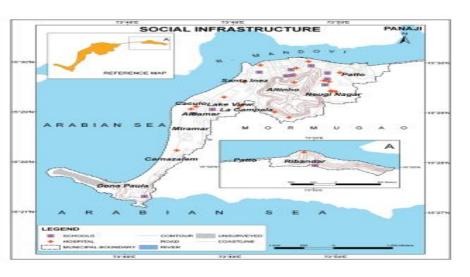


Figure 15: Map depicting the major transport infrastructure (parking areas, bus terminals and stands, and ferry points)



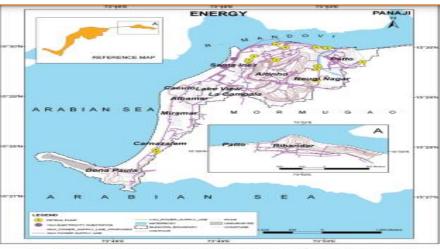
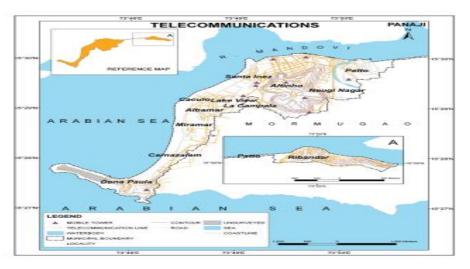
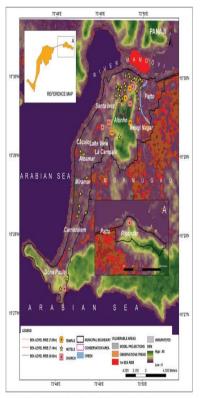


Figure 16: Map depicting the electricity substations, power supply lines, and petrol pumps in the city



Hotspot identification and Mapping sensitivities for each location



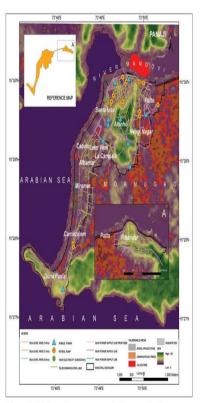


Figure 28: DEM overlay on heritage and tourism sector Figure 30: DEM overlay on energy and telecommunications sector

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What do you want to target for response measures?

Addressing the safety and resilience of the critical man-made infrastructure

- Social Infrastructure
- Solid waste management
- Heritage and Tourism
- Water supply
- Transport
- Sewerage and drainage
- Energy and telecommunication

Addressing the safety and resilience of natural infrastructure

- Khazan Lands
- Mangroves
- Sand dunes
- Creeks

Supporting and enabling measures

- Planning measures
- Regulations and institutions
- Capacity building and awareness generation

Figure 31: Overview of recommendations

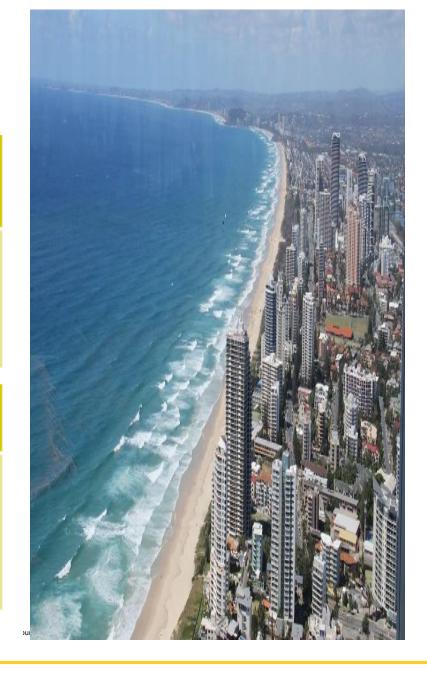


Table 2: Sector-wise recommendations for addressing vulnerabilities associated with SLR in the city			
Sector	Structural measures	Non-structural measures	Suggested data fields
Ecologically Sensitive Areas (khazan lands; mangroves; creeks)	 Rehabilitation and preservation measures around sand dunes and mangroves. For instance, plantation of vegetation along the dunes can help restore and stabilize the dunes Immediate need of identifying and curbing the point and non-point sources of pollution along its course, de-silting, and cleaning of the creek 	 Spatial maps of natural assets like khazan lands, salt pans, mangroves, creeks, etc., should be maintained. The entire shore line ecosystem should be demarcated in a GIS framework The natural assets of the city should be demarcated and preserved and no construction /man-made interventions should be allowed in the ecologically sensitive areas 	Sea-level rise will change the coastal morphology and soil characteristics. Cities must, therefore, maintain beach erosion information.
Solid Waste Management	 Introducing waterproofing measures, like barriers to reduce contact from flood water, waterproof covers and rain shelters Creating elevated storage spaces 	 Framing up of siting regulations (for landfill sites, sorting centres and compost stations) after assessing the vulnerable areas with respect to the impact of sea-level rise Identifying a number of alternate disposal sites in case of restricted access due to flooding 	 Elevation of important disposal and treatment sites Location of curb side refuse collection bins, primary collection, and segregation centres The bins and centres located in flood prone areas

Heritage and Tourism	 Reducing the impact of flooding Addressing the requirements after the flood has receded Checking for building stability and efficiency 	 Flood proofing and conservation programmes based on expert advice Emergency plan for the safety of the tourists, for example emergency evacuation, safe transport facilities, and health facilities Assessments regarding impact of sea-level rise on tourism activities for siting of upcoming infrastructure like hotels and beach tourism, etc. All future tourism infrastructure projects must comply with the Coastal Regulation Zone rules. 	 Data on intensity of tourist inflows in the city at a particular time of the year Age, condition, and last maintenance carried out in heritage sites An inventory of informal sector that supports tourism should be maintained
Water Supply	Prevent water leakage and infiltration of flood water into the pipelines— marking and monitoring the infiltration points to facilitate maintenance	 An emergency supply plan with demarcated network routes as well as alternate modes of supply to restore water supply in the affected zones Quality monitoring has to be frequently carried out during rainy season. 	 Data on the age and capacity of treatment plants Data on incidences of shutting down of pumps Influent and effluent data from the treatment plant Emergency supply plan Seasonal reports on water quality should be maintained Regular maintenance details

Sewerage and The vertical elevation of the Identifying alternate energy Data on flood-prone areas sources in vulnerable zones Drainage outfall channel should be Yearly data on water logged above the high tide level to housing pumping stations areas avoid back flows from sea. Regular maintenance— The Locational details of drains must be cleaned Planning the gradual drainage augmentation of the sewerage periodically to avoid · Height of outfall sewers system—New drains to take blockages during peak time from the mean sea level/ into account the vulnerable Integrating vulnerability high tide level zones of the city and assessment and resilience Maximum capacity of appropriately in-built resilience planning in institutional pumps and treatment features framework and plans, acts, plants rules, bylaws, building Distance of waste water codes, etc. plant from sea Transport Retrofit and adaptation of Road infrastructure— Emergency transport arrangements and alternative Location and elevation of airport and sea port systems route planning— SOPs roads, bridges, subways, Appropriate design of public tunnels, etc, data on age, transport systems— siting, Emergency operations and type of structures, building control measures— SOPs entry and exits, drainage, materials, etc., drainage manholes, considerations Planning new infrastructure:

avoiding low-lying vulnerable

hotspots

for safety of structures,

equipment, and operations.

information

- Building elevations and materials for structural safety
- For transport networks, appropriate drainage provisions with optimum design capacity, length, depth, and the gradient are required
- If the parking lot is not to be used for retaining water, provision of drains, impervious surface area and adequate slope at strategic locations to prevent flooding and water logging would be required
- Integrating vulnerability assessment and resilience planning in institutional framework and plans, acts, rules, by-laws, building codes, etc.
- Enforcement of CRZ
 Notification 2011 while
 development and siting of transport infrastructure and networks
- Siting of processing and industrial units in and around port areas as per the CRZ Notification 2011
- Railways

 Information on location and networks, maintenance plan and frequency, elevation, flood prone areas, data on disruptions due to extreme weather phenomena, data on railway buildings
- Airport— Capacity, footfalls, age, building material, elevation, plinth level, entry to runway/taxi ways, details of low-lying/ flood-prone areas

ocial Infrastructure

- Reducing the impact of flooding through appropriate building design solutions
- Addressing the requirements after the flood has receded
- Checking for building stability and efficiency
- Planning for evacuation, response and relief in case of extreme events—SOPs
- Planning new infrastructure: Avoiding low-lying vulnerable hotspots
- Integrating vulnerability
 assessment and resilience
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 codes, etc.
- Health— Information on location of hospitals and health centres, ambulances, medicine stocks, doctors, nursing and paramedical personnel, yearly data on diseases, etc.
- Education Information on location of schools, number of students, available rooms and infrastructure, transport facilities, etc.

Energy and Telecommunication

- Appropriate building design solutions for reducing flood damage in vulnerable areas
- Appropriate on-site drainage on production and refuelling stations
- Maintaining safe heights for infrastructure assets like Electric Substation and for leak- proof equipment storage
- Appropriate reinforcement measures for the safety and stability of towers and cables/ lines

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- Enforcing state level
 Renewable Portfolio
 Obligation (RPO) in line
 with The Electricity Act of
 2003 for promoting smaller,
 distributed power generation
 units to minimize and
 manage impact on grid and
 develop climate resilient
 power infrastructure

- Location and elevation of facilities— production sites, substations, etc
- Details of transmission lines— location of towers, network, underground cabling details for flood prone and low-lying areas

In conclusion...

- However, it is only a first step in demonstrating and initiating climate action at a city level and for coastal cities
- City governance and management plays a crucial role in the implementation of the various actions
- Actions may be staggered over the short, medium, and long term period with clear target timelines and quantifiable goals,
 - To be based on expert advice, scientific studies, and financial considerations.
- Supporting and enabling mechanisms in terms of policy and regulatory frameworks, finance allocation, and sensitization and capacitybuilding of stakeholders will be an integral part of climate resilience planning efforts and need to be continuous.
- Besides, since infrastructure development and management for a number of sectors and services is beyond the powers and functions of the ULB, an integrated multi-sectoral approach with dedicated institutional framework needs to be formulated for coordinating infrastructure development and management at city level for building resilience





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