PROMISE (Predictability and variability of monsoons, and the agricultural and hydrological impacts of climate change)

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PROMISE Partners





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Goals of PROMISE



PROMISE aims to improve understanding of:

•The potential for seasonal prediction and the benefits that would accrue in terms of the management of water resources and agriculture

•The impacts of climate change on tropical countries, in particular on the availability of water resources for human use and on the productivity of crops and the potential changes in natural vegetation

PROMISE Research and Support

Natural variability and predictability of current monsoon climates Assessment of anthropogenic climate changes for monsoon climates Impact of climate change on ground hydrology and agriculture

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Development of a database of observed and simulated data on meteorology, hydrology and agriculture Establishment of active links with climate scientists in monsoon affected countries

Main areas of PROMISE research



Predicted runoff change by 2050





 \rightarrow More than 50% of the world population lives in Asia



ightarrow India predicted to be the most populated country by 2050



Global Water AVailability Assessment

Jeremy Meigh Centre for Ecology & Hydrology (Institute of Hydrology) Wallingford, UK in conjunction with British Geological Survey

GWAVA Detailed Objectives

- Consistent methodology at the global scale
- Representation of spatial variability in water availability and demands
- Representation of seasonal and year-to-year variability in water resources
- Accounting for the real properties of water resources systems
- Tackling problems of international basins
- Combined treatment of surface and groundwater
- Ability to take into account scenarios of population growth, urbanisation, economic development and climate change

General approach - 1

- 0.5 by 0.5 degree grid for both water availability and demands
- Rainfall-runoff model for surface water
- Long series of climate inputs to estimate actual availability
- Linking grid cells to simulate river network
- Models to account for effects of:
 - lakes, reservoirs and wetlands
 - abstractions and return flows
 - inter-basin transfers

General approach - 2

- Groundwater availability based on aquifer properties and recharge estimates
- Water demands based on current and projected population and livestock numbers, information on irrigation and industrial use
- Indices of water availability versus demand derived at the grid cell scale

Inputs and data sources

- Physical and water resources data
 - Elevation, River network
 - Vegetation, Soil type
 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Wetlands
 - Aquifer properties
- Climate
 - Rainfall 30 year time series, Evaporation
- Demand related information
 - Population, Livestock numbers, Industrial and Irrigation demands

GWAVA and PROMISE

- GWAVA model has been developed for South and East Africa where it has been calibrated and used to produce scenarios of future water availability.
- GWAVA model is being extended to West Africa, using the land use scenarios currently under development for climate change studies within PROMISE.

River network and cell linkages



Change in water availability index

0 to -1.90 5 to -1.50

0 to -0.50

0 to 0.20

) to 1.00



2050, taking in to account:

• Supply changes due to climate change

- **Demand** changes due to:
 - increasing population
 - population distribution
- increasing per capita demands (improved living
 - standards and
-) to 1.75 industrialisation) 0 to 2.00















- Calibrate using field/district data.
- Test in hindcast mode using ERA-40 data to drive HAPPY.
- Compare predicted crop yields with observed crop yields.
- Re-calibrate HAPPY?









Diagnostic Hydrique des Cultures Champs Pluviométriques

Crop Water Balance Calculation Using Satellite based Rainfall Estimates

<u>Presented</u> by : Abdallah SAMBA, Agrometeorologist AGRHYMET Regional Centre at Niamey, NIGER Trieste, June 2001

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- Need to forecast the yields of food crops in order to :
 - best manage the cereal stocks
 - control the distribution of food
 - start food aid in time
- Sophistication of the techniques based on the statistical investigations
- Using water balance simulation to obtain parameters which enable estimation of yields.







DHC_CP: An Early Warning System



AET: Actual EvapoTranspiration

Actual evapotranspiration estimated one month before harvest

Potential Yield Estimation

Potential Yield in 1994



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