



Workshop on “Emerging Disaster Risks and Innovative Solutions”



Disaster Risks and Management Strategies

Agenda

- 9.00 – 9.05 – Welcome speech by Dr. UL Abdul Majeed, Dean, Faculty of Technology, SEUSL
- 9.05 – 9.15 - Opening Remarks by Prof. A. Rameez, Vice Chancellor, SEUSL
- 9.15 – 9.25 - Speech by Director General, Disaster Management Centre
- 9.25 – 9.35 - Speech by District Secretary, Ampara District Secretariat
- 9.35 – 9.45 - Session #1: Disaster Risks and Management Strategies
by Dr. A.M. Aslam Saja
- 9.45 – 9.55 - Session #2: Drought and Food Security by Dr. A.N.M. Mubarak
- 9.55 – 10.00 - Question and Answer session
- 10.00 – 10.10 - Session #3: Flood Risks by Dr. M.G. Mohamed Thariq
- 10.10 – 10.05 - Question and Answer session
- 10.05 – 10.15 - Session #4: Coastal Erosion by Mr. M.L. Fowzul Ameer
- 10.15 – 10.20 - Question and Answer session
- 10.20 – 10.30 - Session #5: Human Elephant Conflict by Prof. M.I.M. Kaleel
- 10.30 – 10.35 - Question and Answer session
- 10.35 – 11.15 - Group Discussion
- 11.15 – 11.40 - Summary of sessions and way forward
- 11.40 – 11.50 - Closing Remarks by Dr. A.M. Aslam Saja
- 11.50 – 12.00 - Vote of Thanks by Mr. Riyas, DDMC



Disaster Risks and Management Strategies

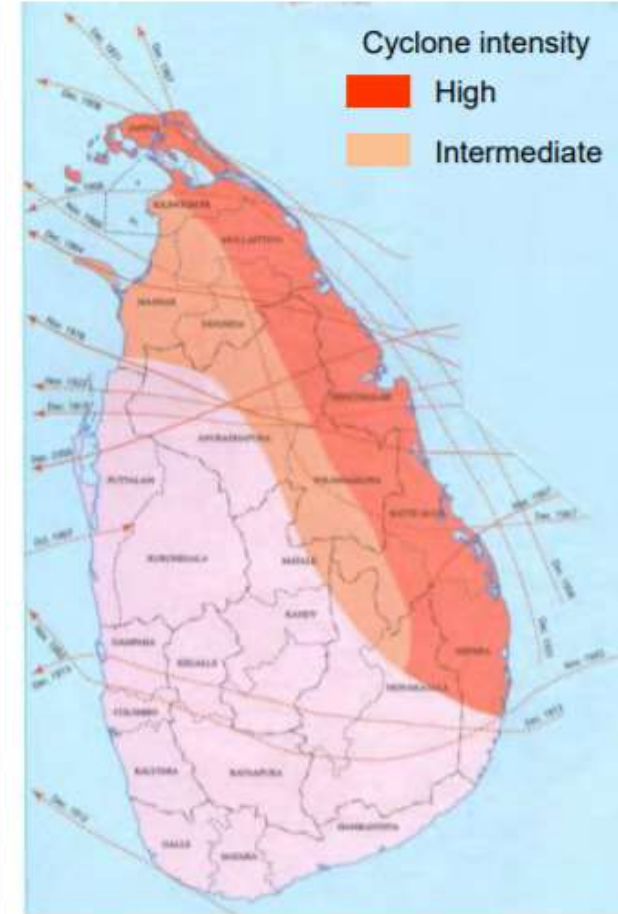
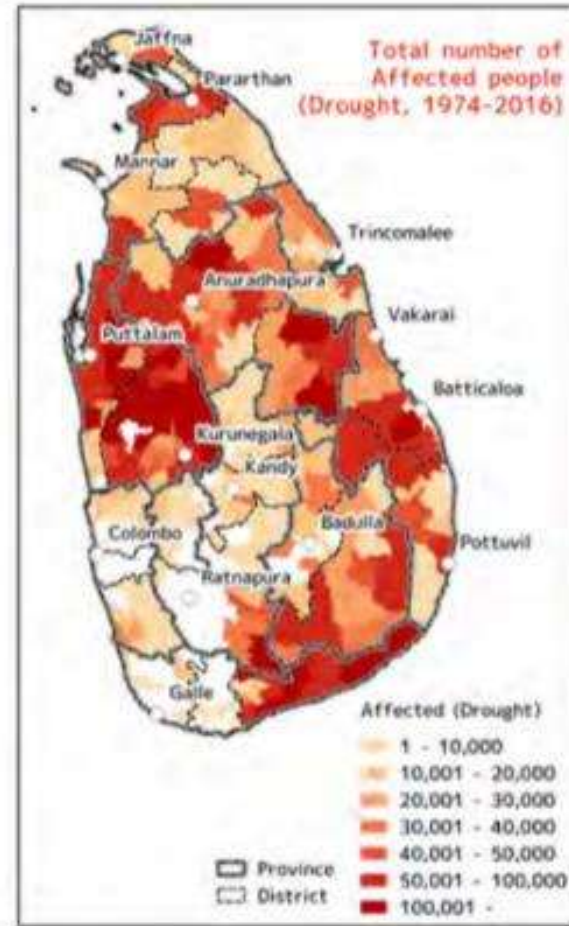
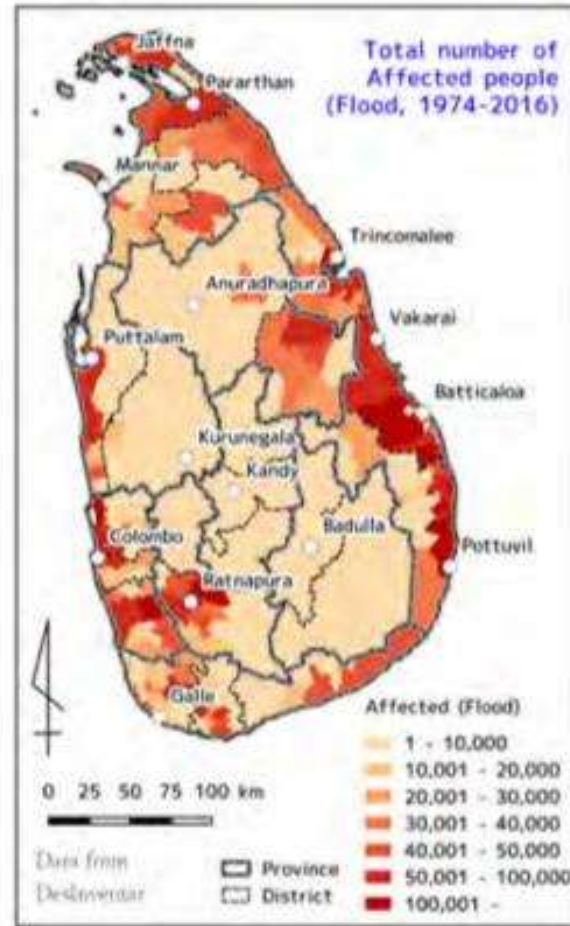
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Eco-system based, technology based, school based and community based approaches

Prevention ---- Mitigation ---- Response Preparedness ----- Recovery

Disaster Risks

Flood & Drought + Cyclone /Tsunami



Ampara District

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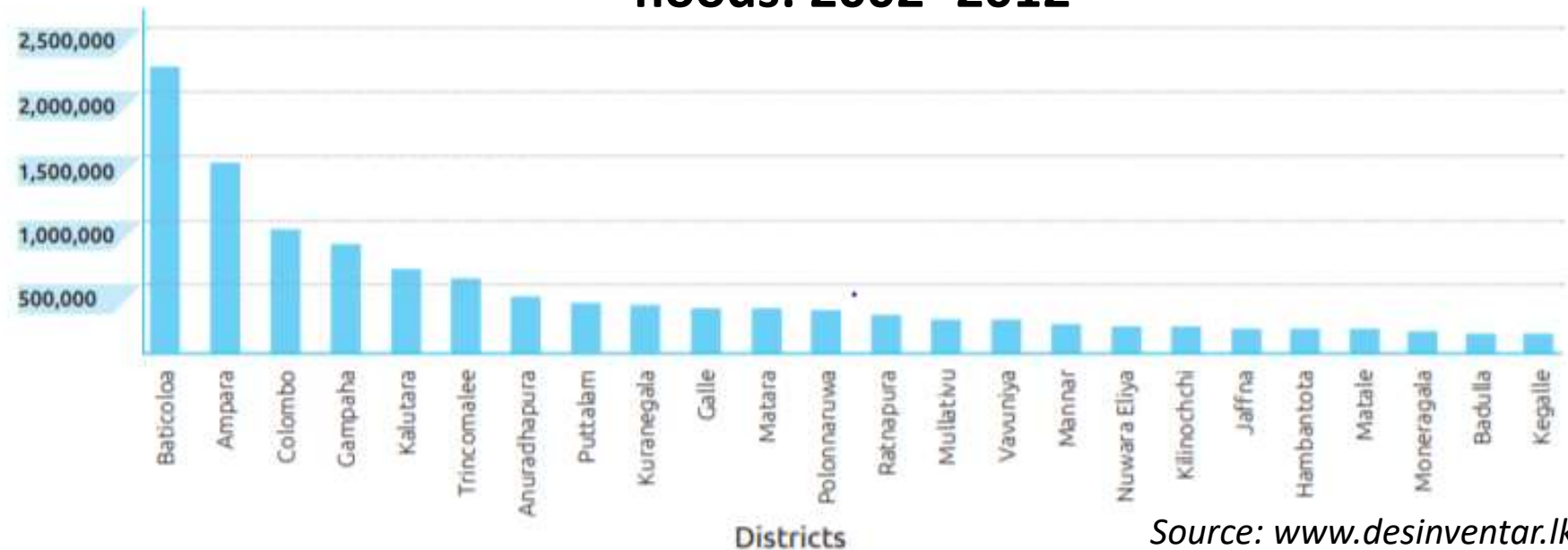
Sri Lanka:

17% of the population – Extreme climate hotspots

73% - moderate climate hotspots

(World Bank, 2018)

Cumulative number of people affected by floods: 2002 -2012



Source: www.desinventar.lk

Ampara District

Other risks to human lives/properties

**Epidemic/
Pandemic**

**Heat
waves**

**Sea
erosion**

**Forest
Fire**

**Human
Elephant
Conflict**

**Water
pollution**

Lightening

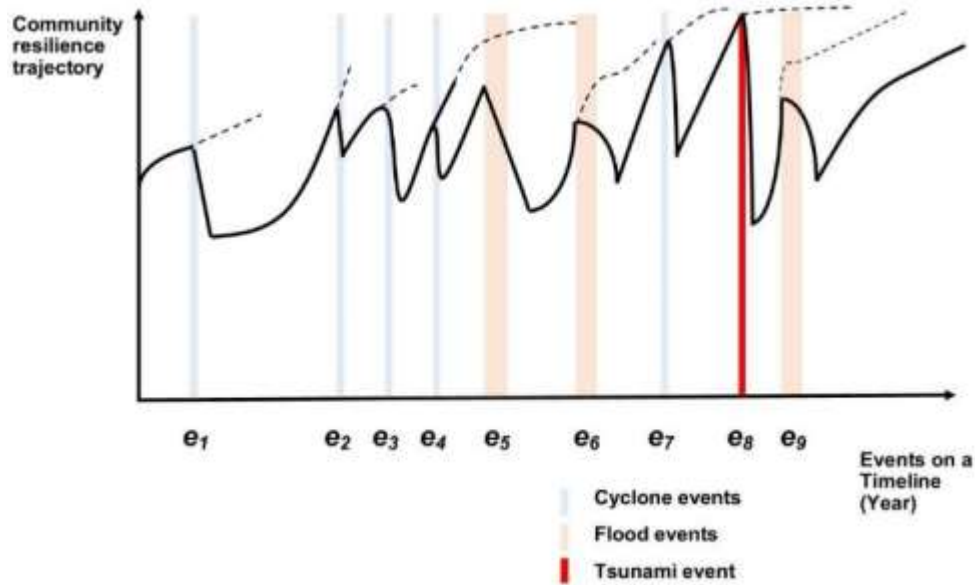
**Traffic
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**Air
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**Chronic
Diseases
(CKDu)**

**Industrial
accidents/
Fire**

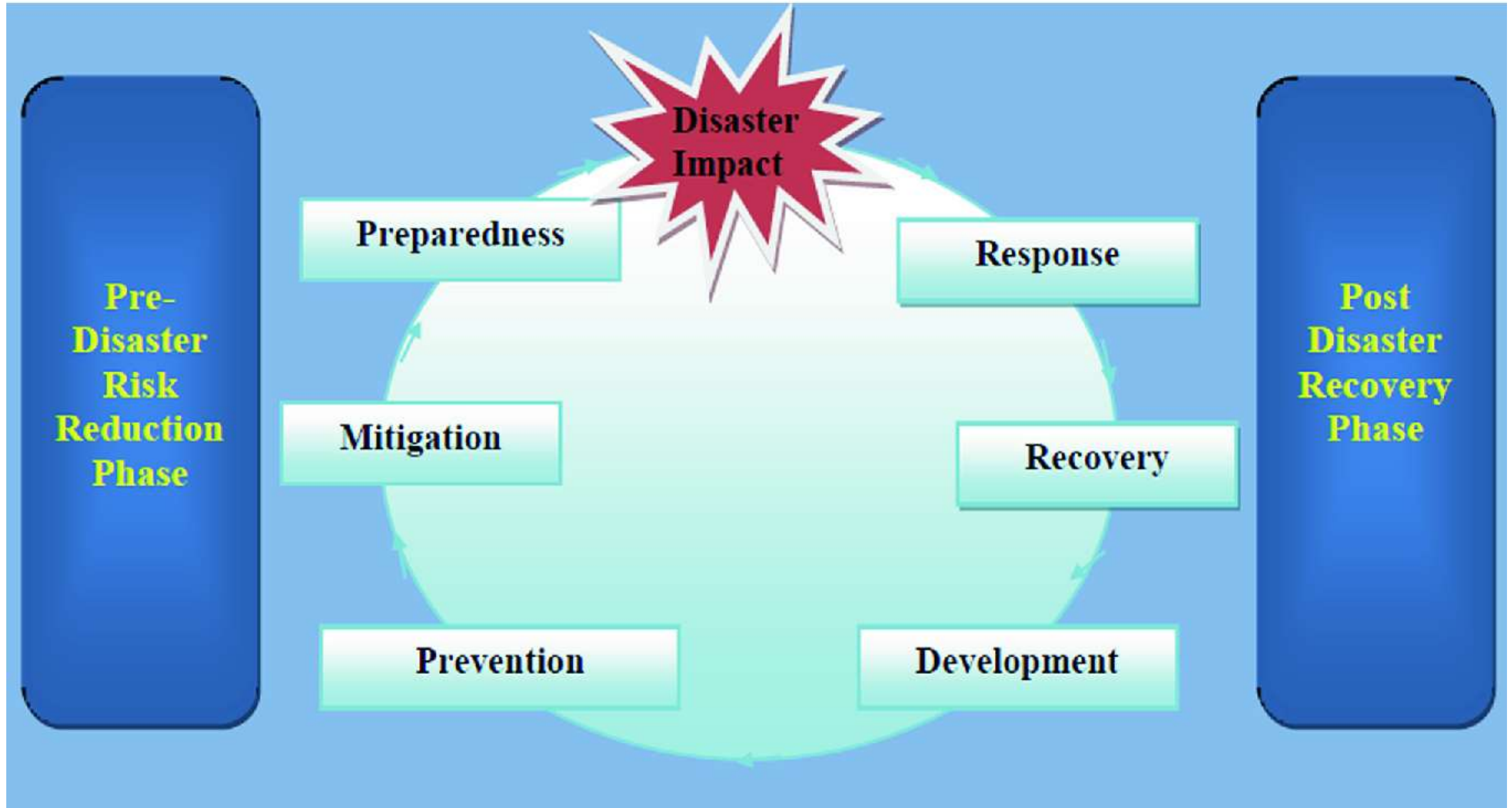
Disaster History – South Eastern Sri Lanka



Other

1935 famine	Due to no rain for more than six months, all paddy fields were abandoned leading to large scale famine.
1917 epidemic	Later in 1940, 1970, 1980, and 2006 many different infectious diseases were reported.
2020-21 COVID19 pandemic	COVID19 infectious disease started spreading in 2021 and had three severe waves

Disaster	Disaster Event (Year/Date)	Description about the Disaster
Cyclone	1845	No historical records found.
	1891	Called "mini cyclone." No other records available.
	9 March 1907	Called "major cyclone," between midnight and 7 a.m. in the morning.
	1921	Mini cyclone.
	23 November 1978	Major cyclone, many houses were partially damaged and severe loss of livestock were reported.
Flood	1933	Flooding due to rain over the four-month period.
	December 1957	Major flood and severe damage to many infrastructures.
Tsunami	2010 (During December/January)	Minor flood due to heavy rain in the residential areas, major damage to paddy fields.
	26 December 2004	The worst disaster in the history of Sri Lanka





Vulnerability

Resilience



Aims of Disaster Risk Reduction



A broad range of activities designed to:

- Prevent the loss of lives
- Minimize human suffering
- Inform the public and authorities of risk
- Minimize property damage and economic loss
- Speed up the recovery process

Prevention –Mitigation -Preparedness

Approaches to Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)

Technology-based Disaster Risk Reduction

Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction

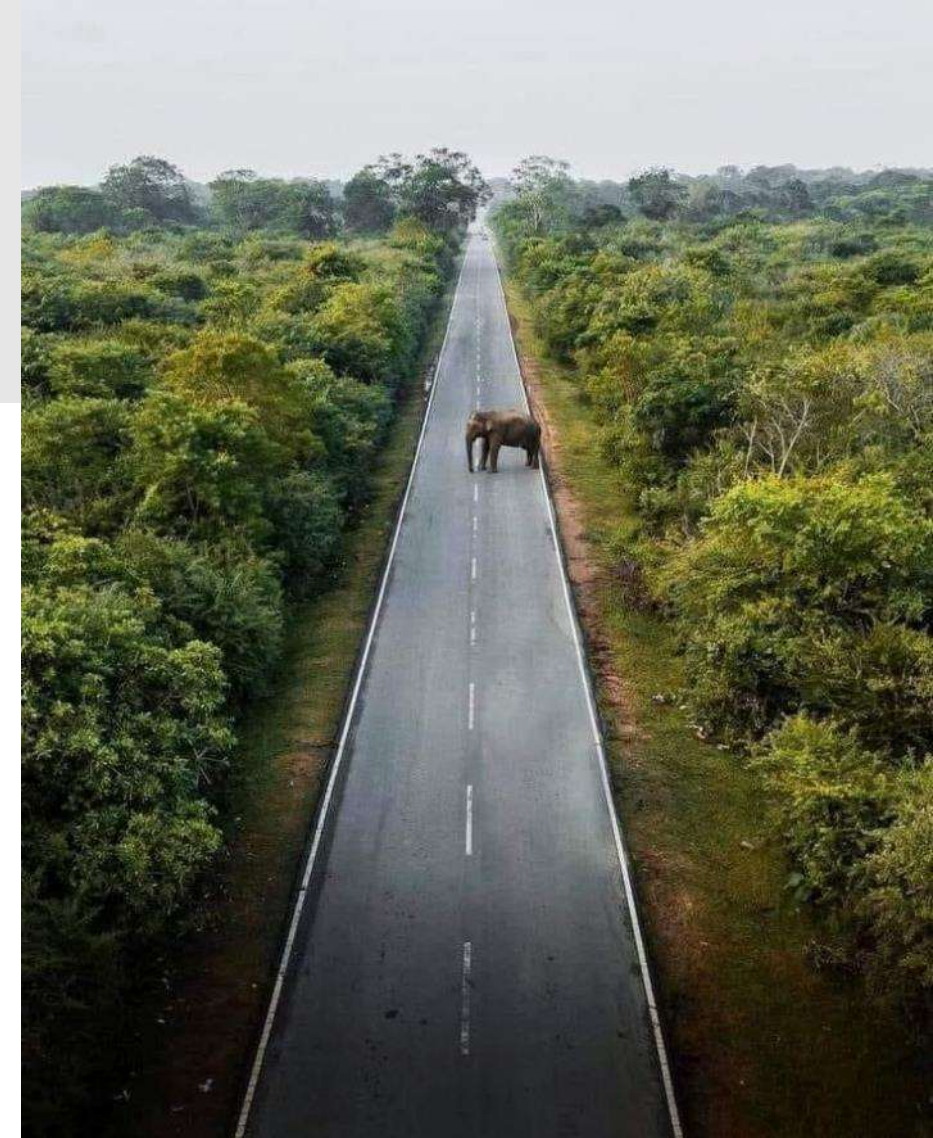
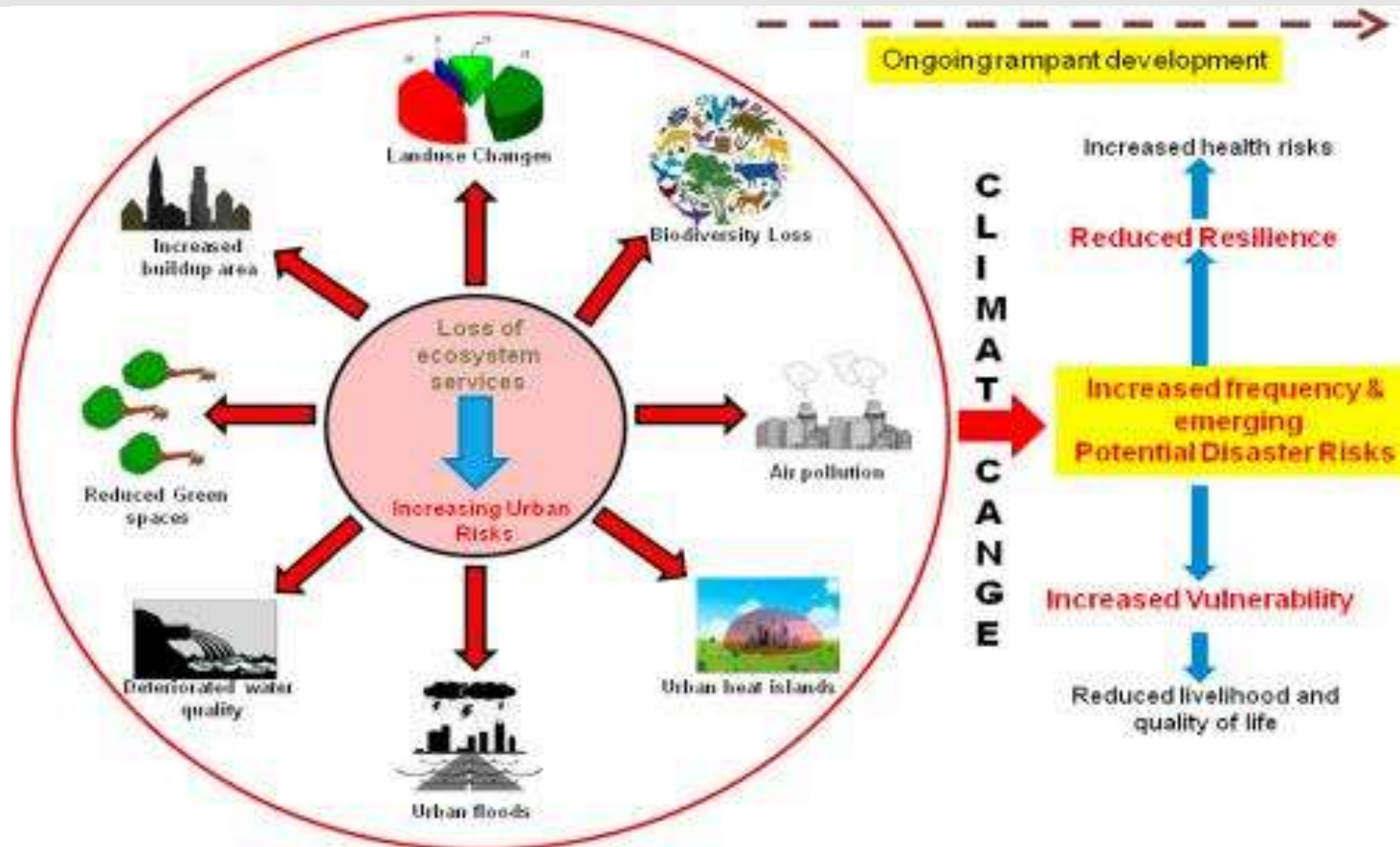
School-
based DRR &
Child-Led
DRR

Community-
based
Disaster Risk
Reduction

Risk-
Sensitive
Development

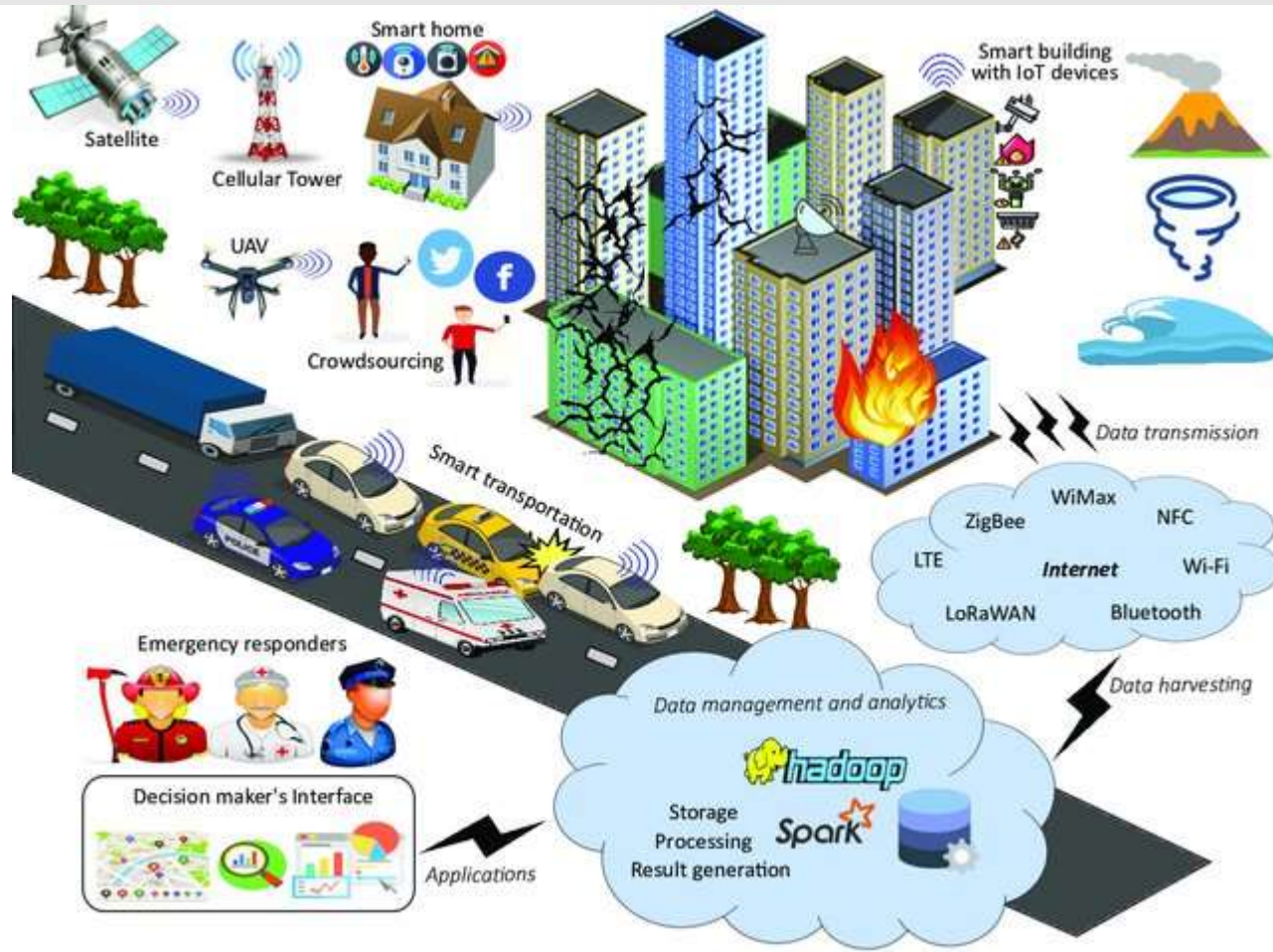
Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction

Sustainable management, conservation and restoration of ecosystems to mitigate disaster risks, aims to accomplish sustainable and risk-sensitive development



Technology-based Disaster Risk Reduction

Science, Technology, and Innovation for disaster and risk resilience through the use of for example, low-cost sensors and application of Artificial Intelligence and advanced ICTs infrastructure

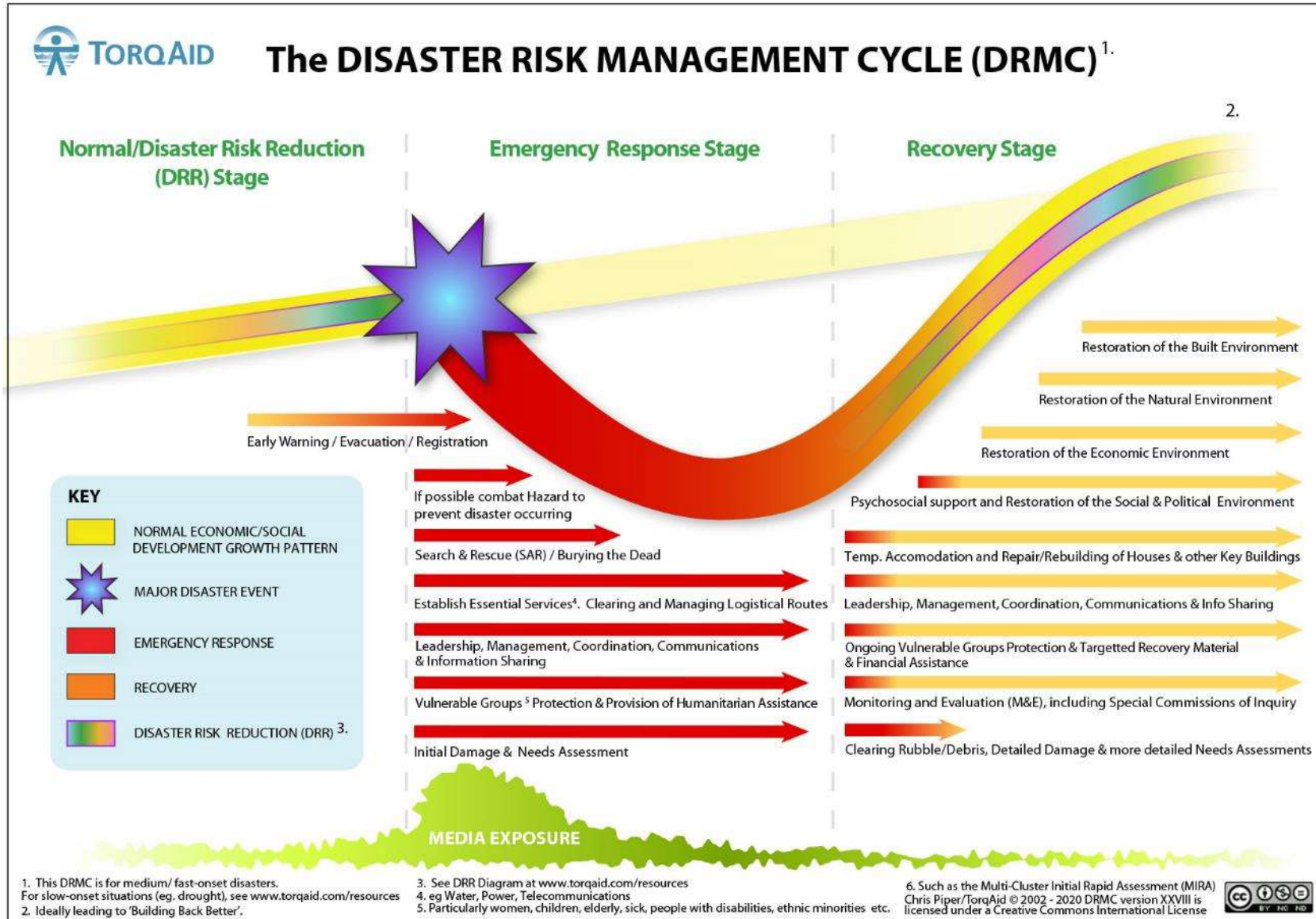




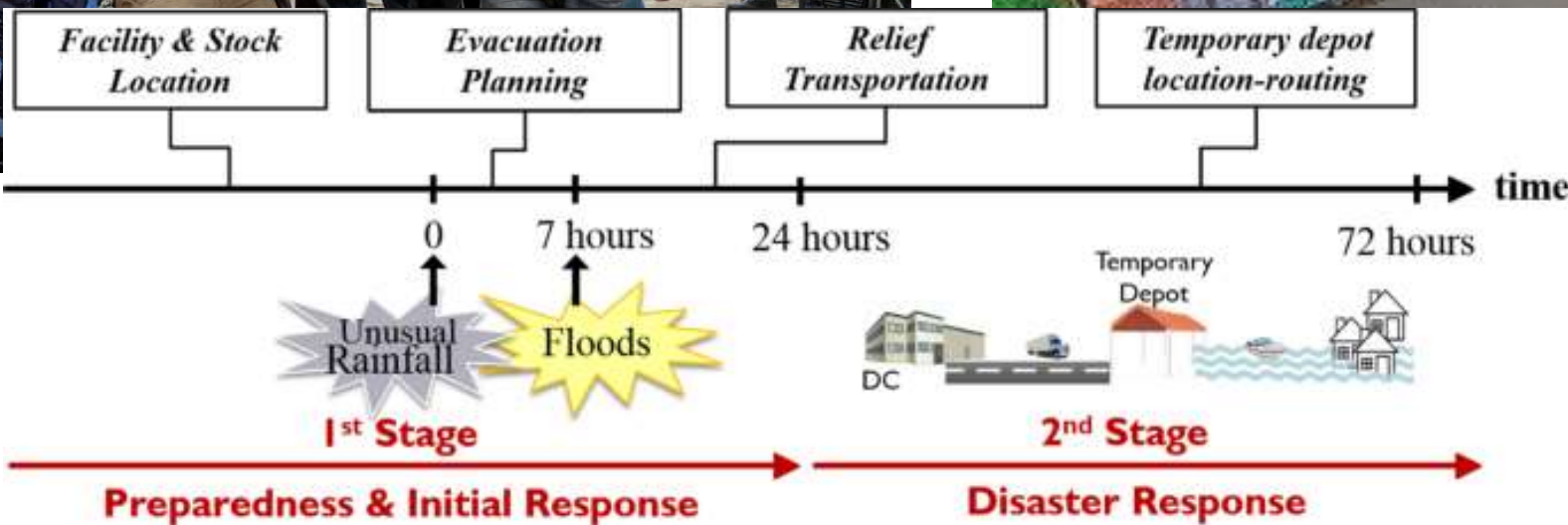
Source: ITU (2019)



Disaster Phases



Disaster Response Preparedness



In crisis situations
In complex emergency scenario



Disaster Risks and Management Strategies

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**LET'S
DISCUSS**



Flood
Drought
Sea Erosion
Human-Elephant Conflict

Innovative ideas for reducing the vulnerability and increasing the resilience

Eco-system based, technology based, school based and community based approaches

Mitigation ---- Response Preparedness

*Flood
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**Eco-system
based**

**Technology
based**

**School
based**

**Community
based**

**Innovative ideas for reducing
the vulnerability and
increasing the resilience**

**[Mitigation/Preparedness
Measures]**

Coordination Collaboration Complementary Community Service



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