# THE ROLE AND FUNCTIONS OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HYDROLOGY

# **OBJECTIVES**

• To undertake, aid, promote and coordinate systematic and scientific work on all aspects of hydrology

• To cooperate and collaborate with other national, foreign and international organizations in the field of hydrology

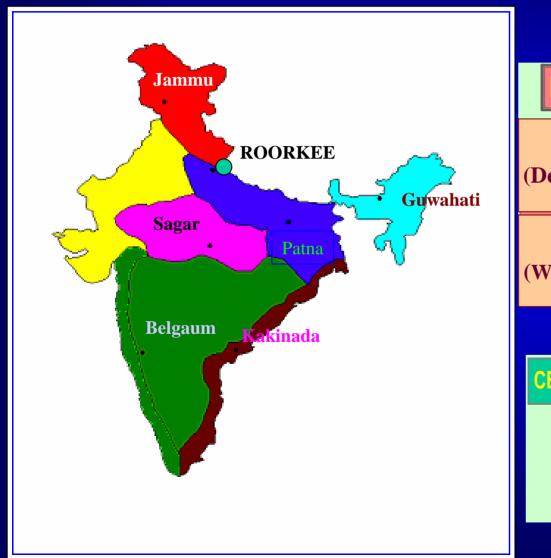
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# **OBJECTIVES**

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- To establish and maintain a research and reference library in pursuance of the objectives of the Society and equip the same with books, reviews, magazines and other relevant publications; and
- To do all other such things as the Society may consider necessary, incidental or conducive for the attainment of the objectives for which the Institute has been established

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#### REGIONAL CENTRES

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**JAMMU** (Western Himalayan) (Ganga Plains South)

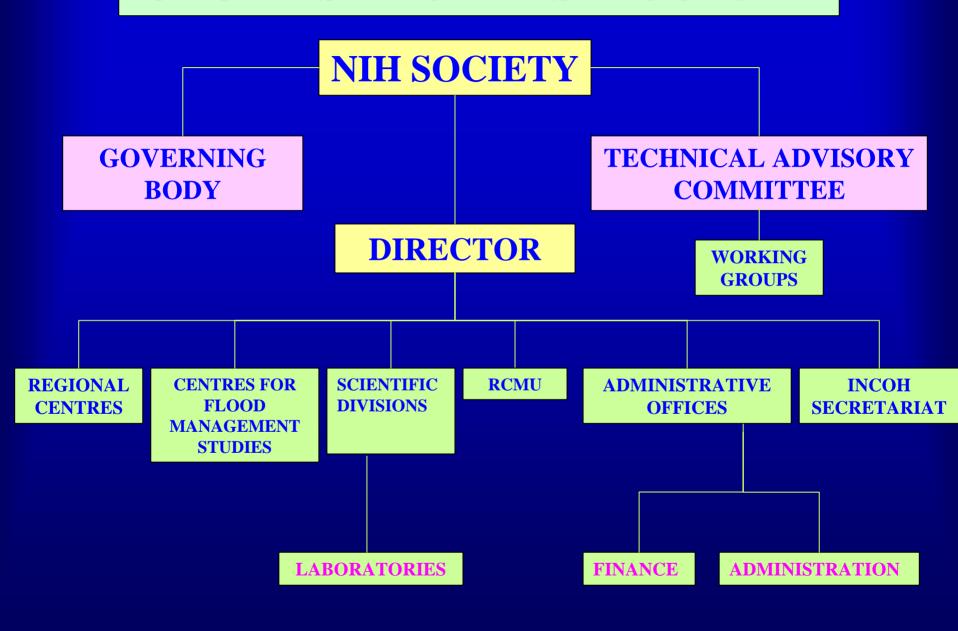
**SAGAR** 

**CENTRES FOR FLOOD MANAGEMENT STUDIES** 

**GUWAHATI** (Brahmputra basin)

**PATNA** (Ganga basin)

#### **ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**



# AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

ENVIRONMENTAL HYDROLOGY GROUND WATER HYDROLOGY

SURFACE WATER HYDROLOGY

WATER RESOURCES
SYSTEMS

HYDROLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS

# **ACTIVITIES**

- BASIC, APPLIED AND STRATEGIC RESEARCH
- SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT
- USER DEFINED, DEMAND DRIVEN RESEARCH PROJECTS
- CONSULTANCY
- TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER
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#### WATER AVAILABILITY

- Hydrological modeling for estimating the temporal and spatial variability in the availability of surface and groundwater resources
- Development of flow duration curves for estimating the dependable flows
- Impact of land use changes and developmental activities on the water availability
- Estimation of surplus and deficit water availability considering water demand and available water supply

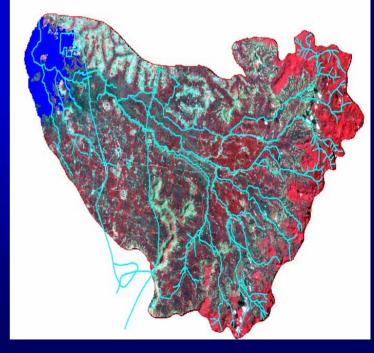
# **REGIONAL HYDROLOGY**

- Regional relationships for unit hydrograph derivation
- Regional flow duration curves
- Regional rainfall—runoff relationships at different temporal scales
- Application of regional flood formulae for design of hydraulic structures
- Computation of dependable flow and hydropower potential using flow duration curves

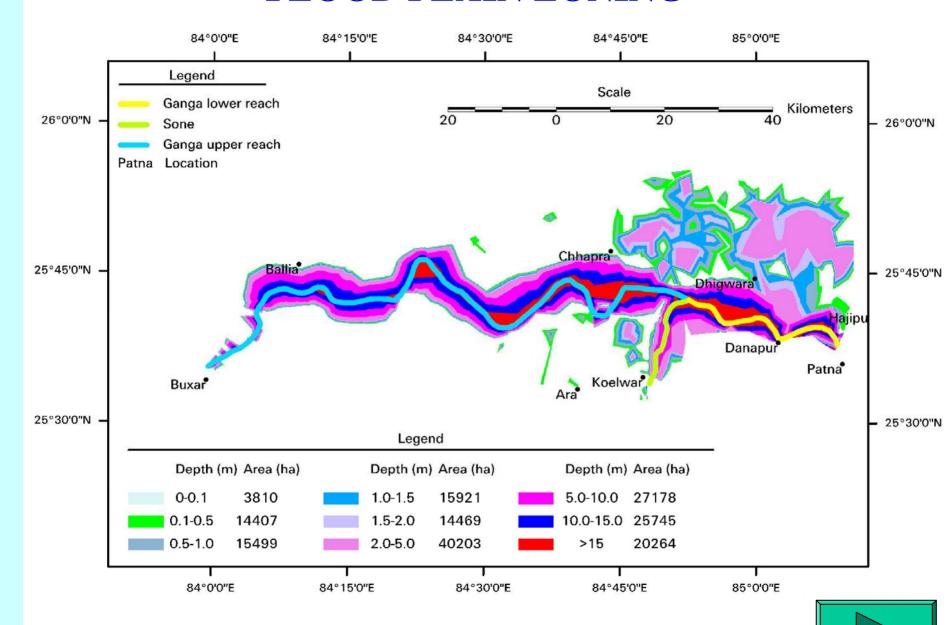
# FLOOD MANAGEMENT

- Design flood estimation
- Real-time flood forecasting
- Flood plain zoning and flood plain mapping
- Dam break flood simulations
- Shifting characteristics of the alluvial rivers
- Flooding due to drainage congestion





#### **FLOOD PLAIN ZONING**



#### SNOW AND GLACIER HYDROLOGY

- Snow cover and glacier mapping
- Hydrological Studies of glaciers to investigate melting, storage and drainage characteristics
- Snow and glacier melt contribution to annual river flow
- Snow melt runoff and sediment modeling
- Forecasting stream flow during the melt season







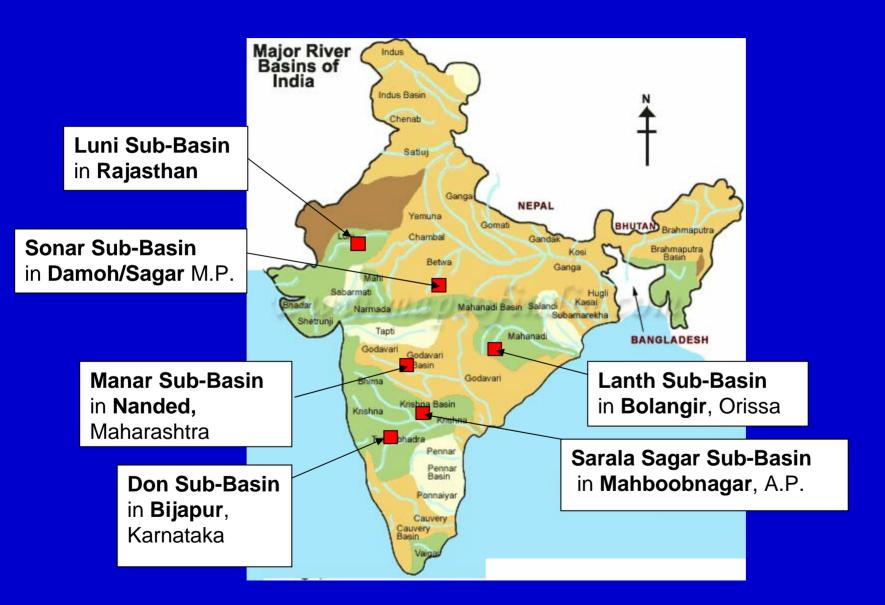
### **DROUGHT ANALYSIS**

- Development of appropriate drought indices
- Low flow analysis
- Supply and demand management of water during drought
- Real-time monitoring and prediction of drought



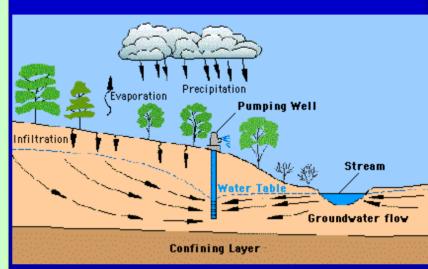


#### **DROUGHT STUDY - Sub-basins in different states**



#### **GROUNDWATER HYDROLOGY**

- Assessment of irrigation return flow
- Seawater intrusion into the coastal aquifers
- Conjunctive use of surface and groundwater
- Water logging and salinity studies
- Identification of groundwater recharge zones
- Design of sub-surface drainage in canal command





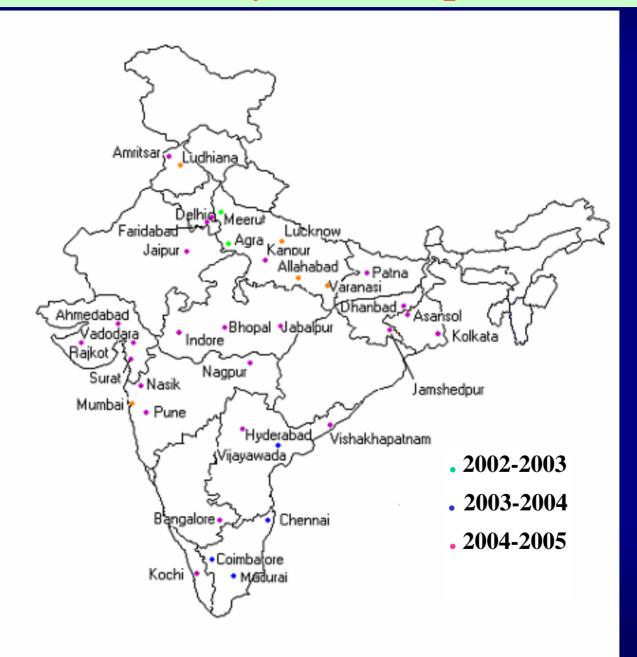
# **WATER QUALITY**

- Groundwater quality in 30 metropolitan cities
- Identification of sources of pollutants
- Water quality in rivers and lakes
- Stream-aquifer interaction





#### **Ground Water Quality in Metropolitan Cities**



# **HYDROLOGY OF LAKES**

- Water balance
- Monitoring and modeling the lake water quality
- Sedimentation and life of lakes
- Evaporation and seepage losses from lakes





#### **HYDROLOGY PROJECT – I (1996-2003)**

- Imparted training to the State and Central Govt. officers on hydrological data processing and specialized topics in hydrology and water resources
- Completed 4 Research Projects

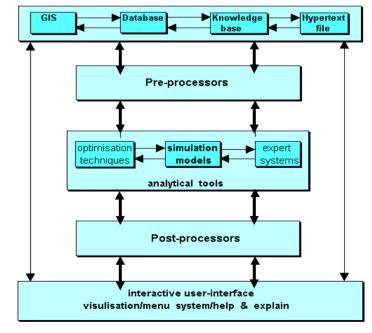




#### **HYDROLOGY PROJECT – II (2006-12)**

- INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING
- Consolidation of HP-I
- Awareness, Dissemination and Knowledge Sharing
- Technical Consultancy
- VERTICAL EXTENSION
- Decision Support System for Water Resources Planning
- Purpose Driven Studies





#### **CAPACITY BUILDING**

- Conducting Basic and Advanced Trainings and Workshops for the Field Engineers
- Awareness Campaign for Women
- Interaction with NGO
- Organizing National and International Conferences







# INFRASTRUCTURE





**Remote Sensing Lab** 

**Hydrological Investigation Lab** 

Soil & Water Lab







Water Quality Lab

**Snow and Glacier Lab** 

**Nuclear Hydrology Lab** 

#### **VISION FOR THE XI PLAN (2007-12)**

- •Environmental Hydrology
- •Groundwater Modeling and Management
- Hydrology of Extremes
- •Impact of Land Use Changes on Water Resources
- •Surface Water Modeling and Regional Hydrology
- •Sustainable Water Systems Management

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