

“Climate-proofing Urban Infrastructure (focus on Heat Resilience)”



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The IPCC defines HW as "a continuous period of abnormally and uncomfortably hot weather" (IPCC, 2007)



(Source: Skymet weather.com)

Moist Heat Waves

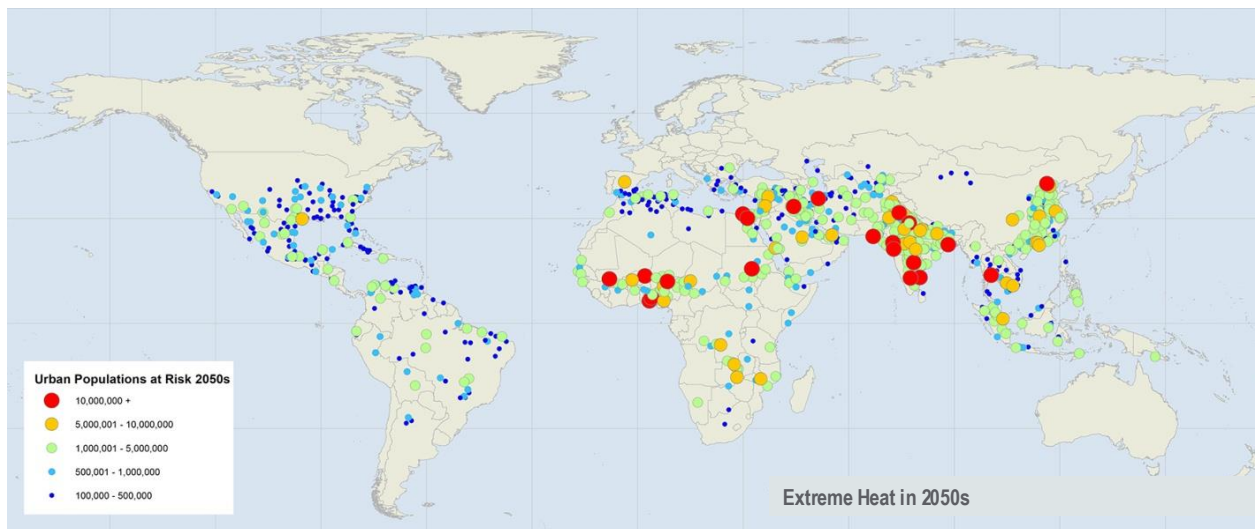
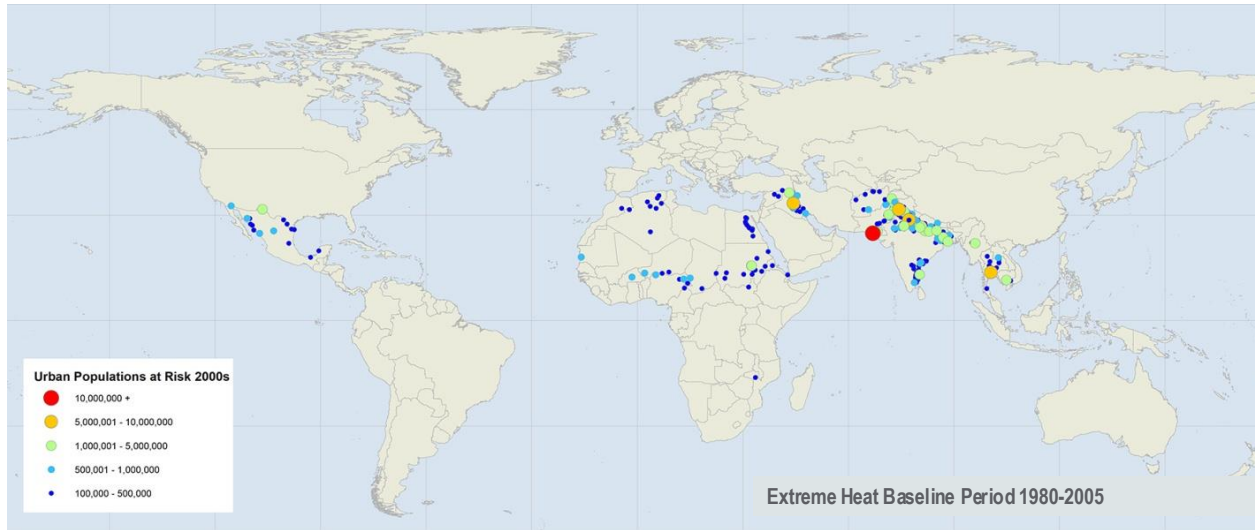
Dry Heat Waves

HEAT WAVES (HWs)

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) defines HW as "a **period during which the daily maximum temperature exceeds for more than five consecutive days the maximum normal temperature by 9°F (5°C), the 'normal' period being defined as 1961–1990**" (WMO, 2013).

(Source: Kunkel et al., 1996; Hunt, 2007; Palecki et al., 2001; Pezza et al., 2012; Huth et al., 2000; Xu et al., 2020)

Urban heat is an increasingly growing issue as urban populations experience higher exposure, greater sensitivity and lower adaptive capacity to extreme heat .



(Source: Kalnay and Cai, 2003; Revi et al., 2014; Mora et al., 2017; Mazdiyasi et al., 2017; Mitchell et al., 2016; Linares et al., 2017; Iñiguez et al., 2016; Wouters et al., 2017; Estrada et al., 2017)

HEAT WAVE & CITIES - Urban populations at risk from heat extremes

HEAT STRESS

HIGHER ENERGY USAGE

EXCESSIVE MORTALITY RATES

DAMAGE TO INFRASTRUCTURE

HIGHER HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

ECONOMIC AND LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY LOSS

Detection and attribution of observed changes in Asia

Climate impact drivers

Event	Evidence	Agreement	Confidence	Climate impact drivers								
				Temperature increase	Droughts	Precipitation regime	Precipitation increase	Annual precipitation increase	Sea level rise	Ocean warming/stratification	Climate change and interaction with human disturbance	
1. Heat wave India, Pakistan, Central Eastern China 1941–2015	High	High	High	✓								
2. Coastal urban flooding Across Asia, specifically Southeast Asia Multiple duration	High	High	High				✓		✓			
3. Biodiversity and habitat loss East Asia 1700–2000	High	High	High									✓
4. Dust storms West Asia, Iran, Persian Gulf countries Multiple duration	High	High	High	✓								
5. Sea level rise only for coastal cities Vietnam 1993–2014, Bangladesh 1974–2004	High	Medium	Medium	✓								
6. Urban heat island effect South Asia (IND, PAK, LKA), East Asia (JPN, HKG, KOR), East Asia (THA, IDN, PHL), North Asia (RUS) Multiple duration	High	Medium	Medium	✓								
7. Permafrost thawing North Asia 2007–2009	Medium	High	Medium	✓								
8. Wildfire North Asia 1970–1990	Medium	Medium	Medium	✓	✓			✓				
9. Extreme rainfall events in urban areas India, Philippines 1901–2010	Medium	Medium	Medium					✓				
10. Urban drought South Asia Multiple duration	Low	Medium	Medium		✓	✓						
11. Primary production in ocean Western Indian Ocean 1950–2012	Low	Low	Low	✓						✓		
12. Flood induced damages Northwest China (Xinjiang) 1980–2001	Low	Low	Low				✓	✓				
13. Agriculture and food systems South and Southeast Asia Multiple duration	Medium	Medium	Medium		✓	✓						

Evidence, Agreement, Confidence
 ● Low ● Medium ● High

By the end of the century, under higher projections (RCP8.5), the daily maximum wet-bulb temperature is expected to exceed the survivability threshold across most of South Asia (Im et al., 2017)

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CLIMATE CHANGE & CITIES

Cities - both as political and material entities - are increasingly playing a critical role in shaping the trajectory and impacts of climate change action.

**BUT CITIES ARE AS
VULNERABLE AS
THEY ARE
POWERFUL.**

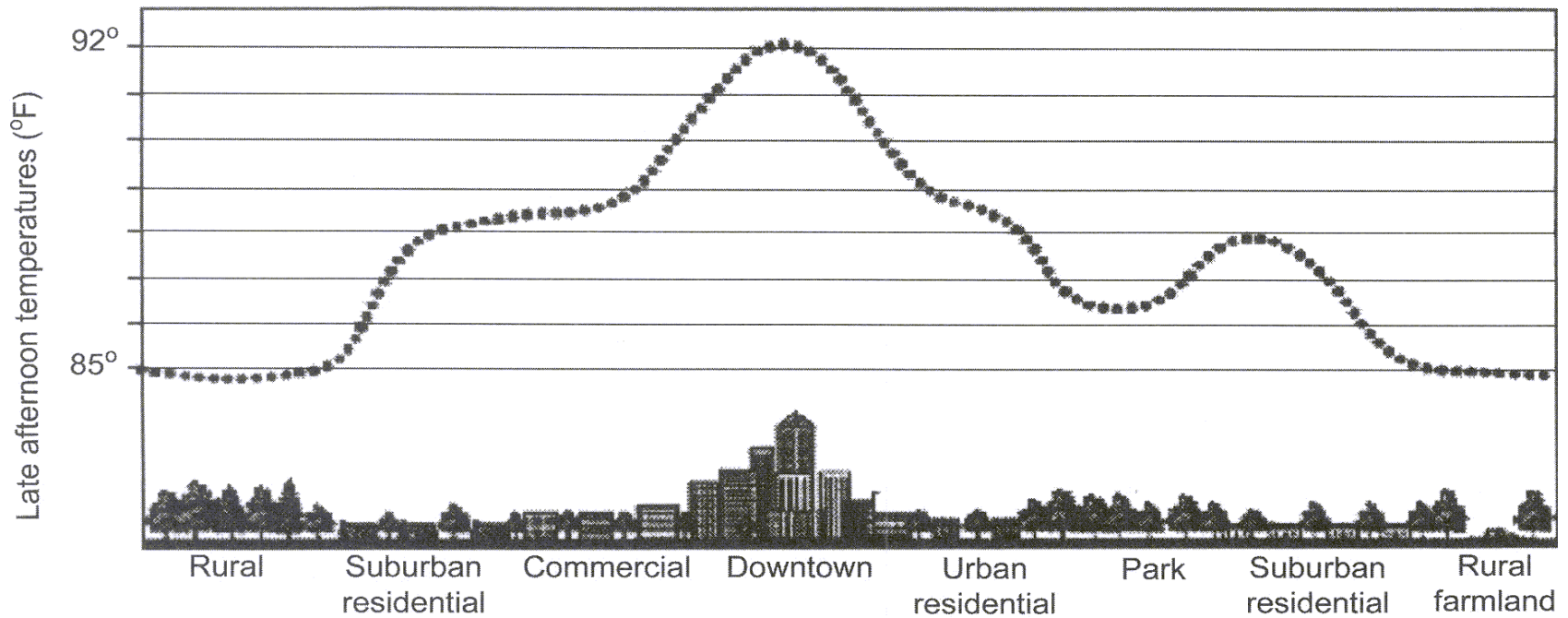
70% of cities are already dealing with the effects of climate change, and nearly all are at risk. Over 90% of all urban areas are coastal, putting most cities on Earth at risk of flooding from rising sea levels and powerful storms.

IPCC AR 6 report - "Climate Change in Cities offers a refreshingly frank view of how complex cities and city processes really are"

Expanding urban areas are hot spots that drive environmental change at multiple scales around the globe [Seto et al., 2012; Grimm et al., 2008].

(Source: Rosenzweig C., W. Solecki, P. Romero-Lankao, S. Mehrotra, S. Dhakal, T. Bowman, and S. Ali Ibrahim. 2015. ARC3.2 Summary for City Leaders. Urban Climate Change Research Network. Columbia University. New York.)

URBAN HEAT ISLAND (UHI) EFFECT



Source: U.S. Environmental protection Agency, 1992.

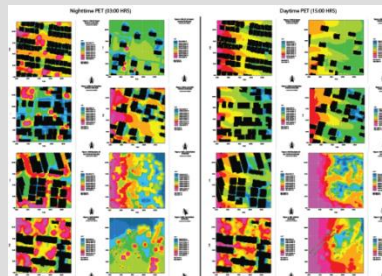
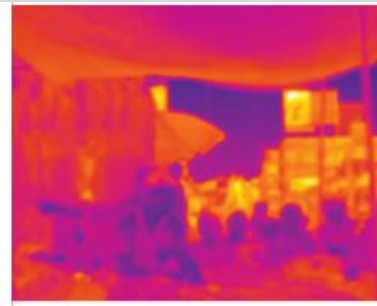
Urban Heat Intensities Mapping LCZ Classification

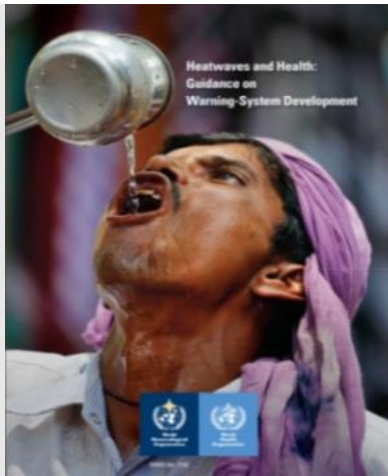
Extreme Heat Impact On Energy Urban Morphology And Extreme Heat

Outdoor Thermal Comfort Studies Extreme Heat And Mortality

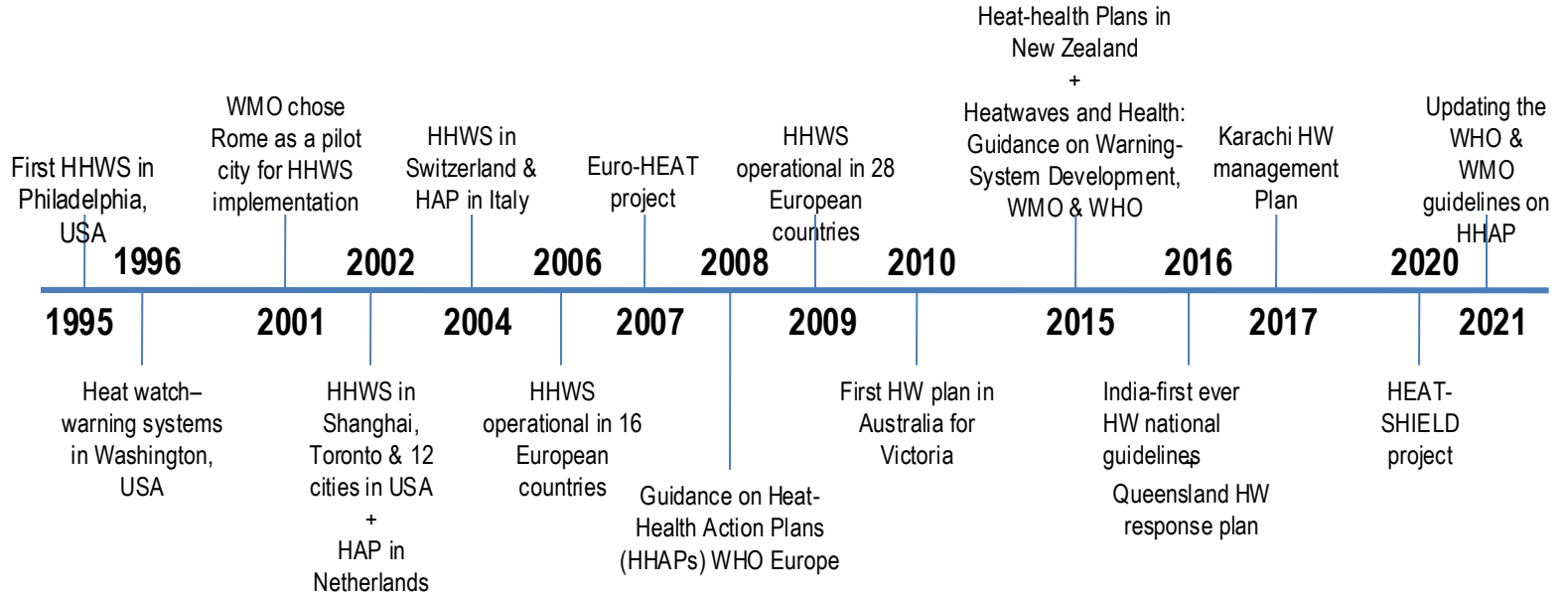
Assessment Of Various Mitigation Measures Assessment Of Various Housing Typologies

Anthropogenic Heat Assessment In The Cities. Model Heat Action Plan

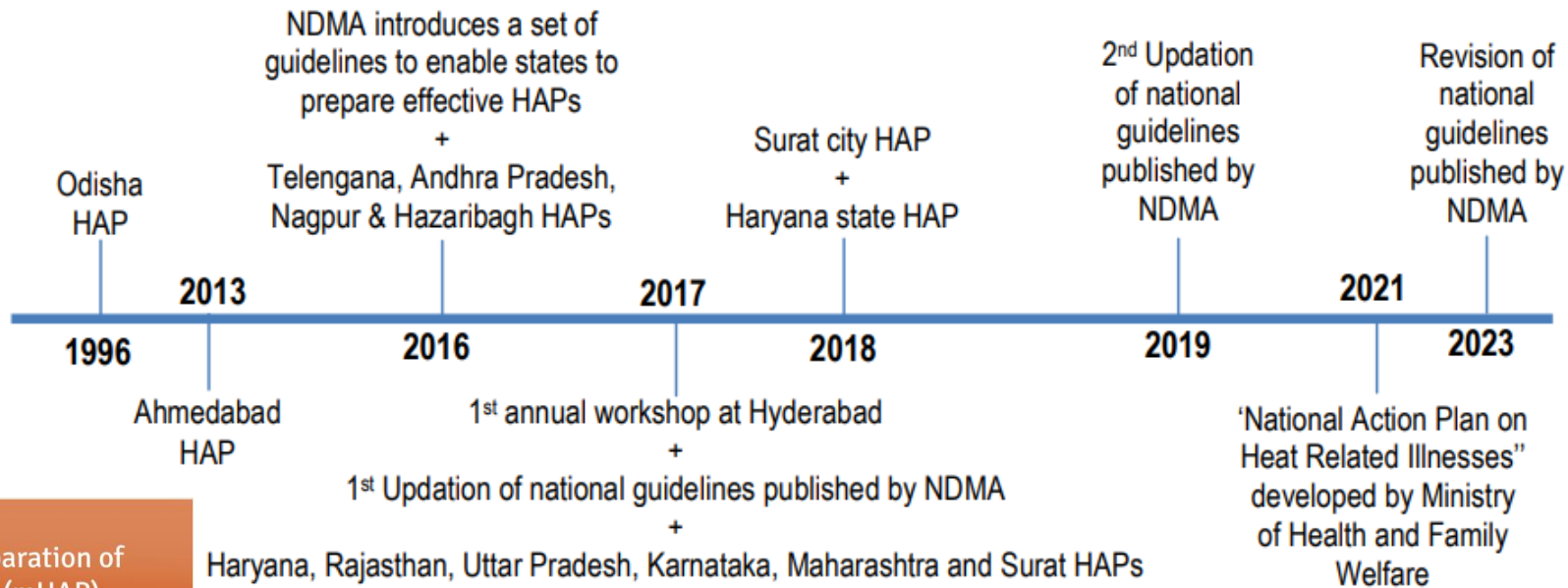




Progress in heat management



Source: R. Kotharkar, A. Ghosh, Progress in extreme heat management and warning systems: A systematic review of heat-health action plans (1995–2020), Sustainable Cities and Society, 76 (2021) 103487, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scs.2021.103487>.



Handbook for Preparation of Heat Action Plan(mHAP) 2023

H E A T



2019: Chapter on Built Environment was added to the guidelines

Progress in heat management: India



Meteorology

Epidemiology

Public Health

Built Environment:

Long term urban planning; to address building and city planning design issues that will ultimately reduce the heat exposure

Reduction in indoor heat exposure

Particular care for vulnerable groups

Long-term urban planning

LONG TERM URBAN PLANNING IS THE LEAST ADDRESSED IN THE EXISTING HEAT ACTION PLANS

Heat Vulnerability and **Risk** Assessment Mapping

Local Threshold

Role of Spatial Framework

**Challenges of vulnerability
assessment across
different groups**

Examples of cities

**NEED for heat
vulnerability and risk
assessment**
EARLY WARNING SYSTEM

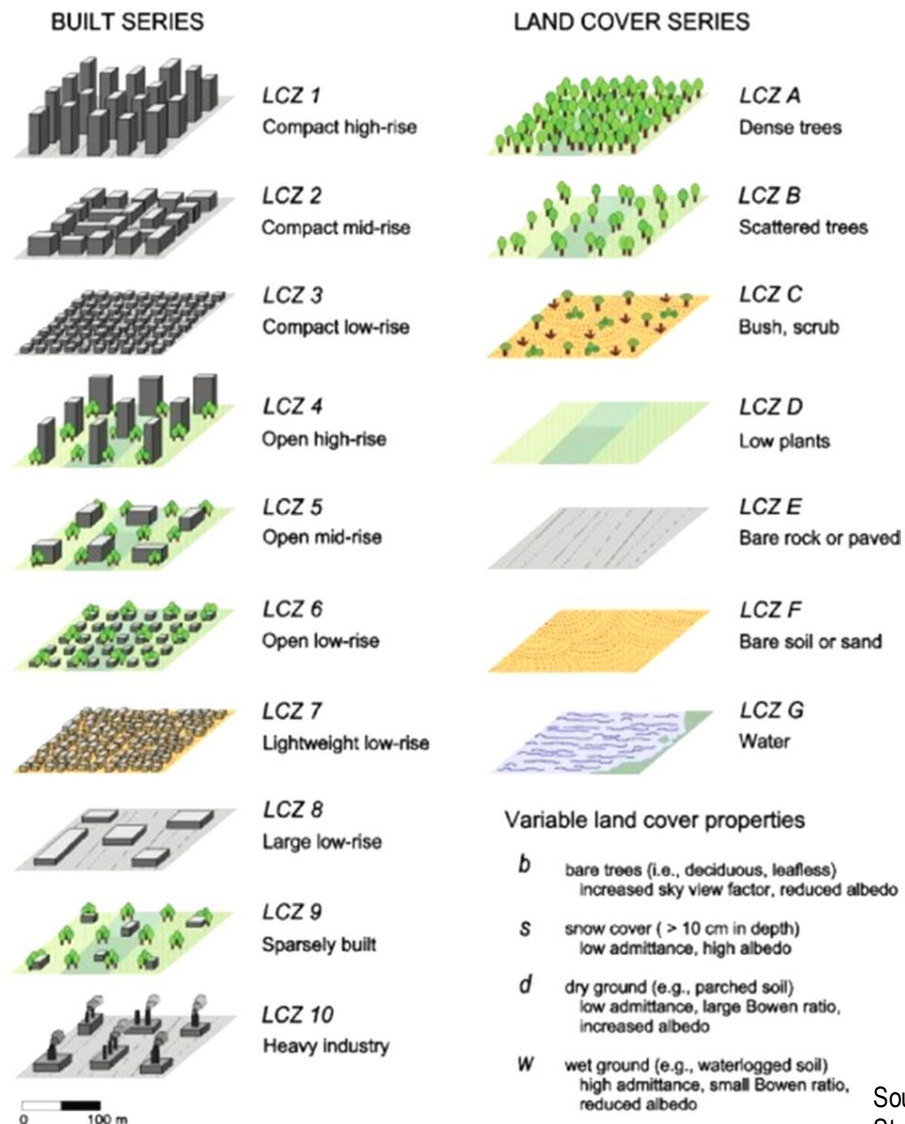
VULNERABILITY

**Exposure
Sensitivity
Adaptive Capacity**

RISK

**Hazard
Vulnerability**

A new standard of LULC classification: Local Climate Zones (LCZ)

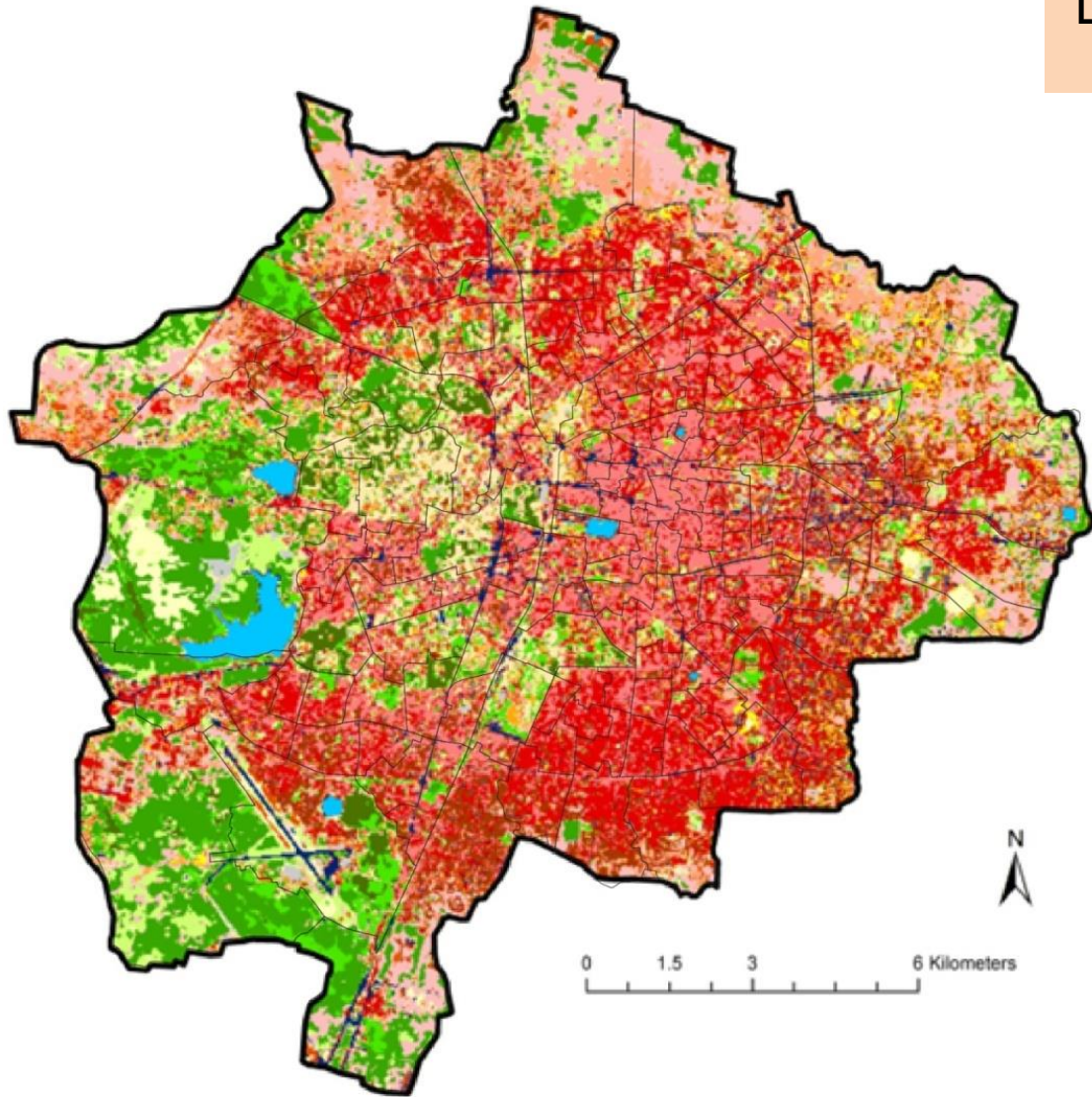


- The landscape universe proposed by Stewart and Oke (2012).
- Defined as “regions of uniform surface cover, structure, material, and human activity that span hundreds of meters to several kilometres in horizontal scale”.

Local Climate Zones defining properties
Sky view Factor
Aspect ratio
Building surface fraction
Impervious surface fraction
Pervious surface fraction
Height of roughness elements
Terrain roughness class
Surface admittance
Surface albedo
Anthropogenic heat output

Source: Stewart, I. D., & Oke, T. R. (2012). Local Climate Zones for Urban Temperature Studies. *Bulletin of American Meteorological Society*, 1879-1900.

Local Climate Zone Classification of Nagpur City



Legend

- Nagpur Municipal Boundary
- LCZ 1
- LCZ 2
- LCZ 3
- LCZ 4
- LCZ 5
- LCZ 6
- LCZ 7
- LCZ 8
- LCZ 9
- LCZ 10
- LCZA
- LCZ B
- LCZ C
- LCZ D
- LCZ E
- LCZ F
- LCZ G
- LCZ 32
- LCZ 37
- LCZ 93
- LCZ 3F
- LCZ 6B

Sky view Factor

Aspect Ratio

Surface albedo

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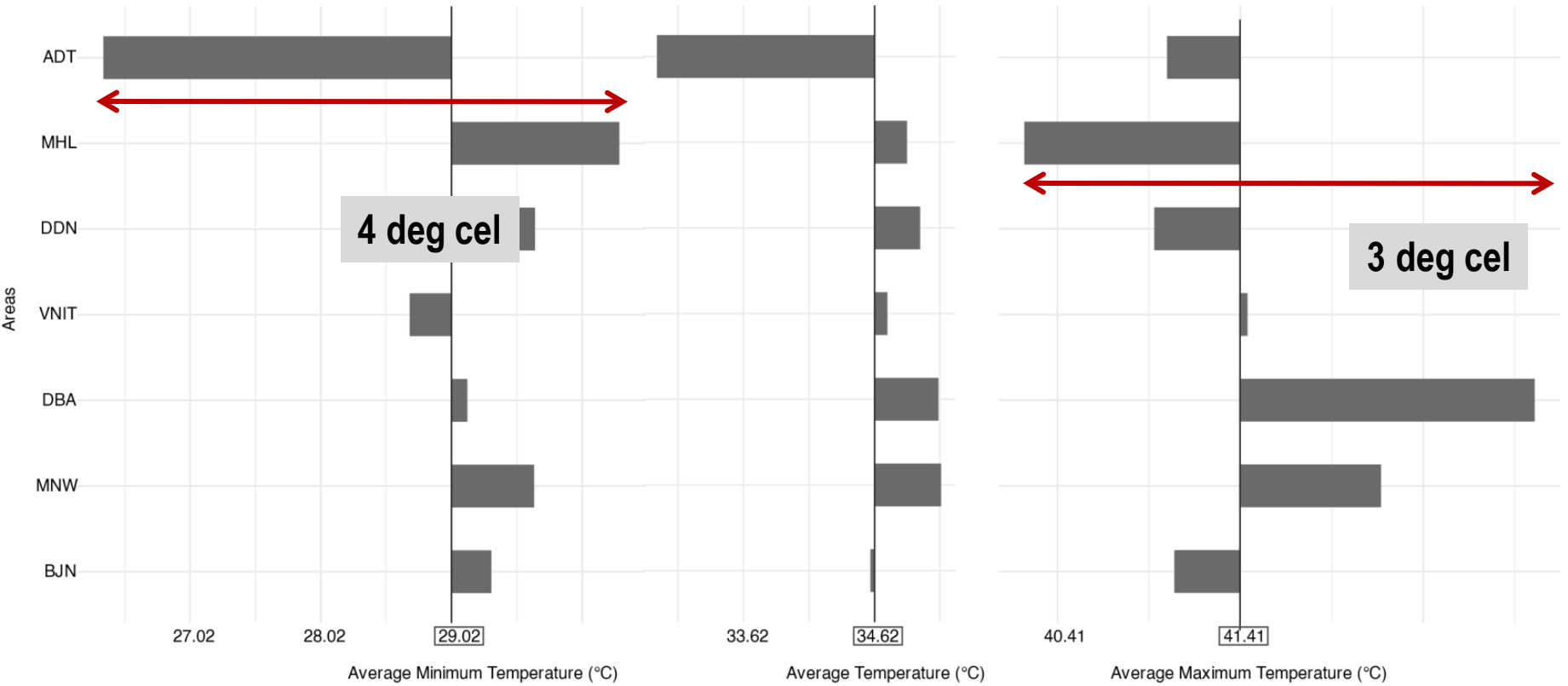
Anthropogenic heat output

Vegetation Fraction

Roughness

- 1 - Compact High-rise
- 2 - Compact Mid-rise
- 3 - Compact Low-rise
- 4 - Open High-rise
- 5 - Open Mid-rise
- 6 - Open Low-rise
- 7 - Lightweight
- 8 - Large Low-rise
- 9 - Sparsely Built
- A - Dense Trees
- B - Scattered Trees
- C - Bush, Scrubs
- D - Low Plants
- E - Bare Rock or Paved
- F - Bare Soil or Sand
- G - Water
- 37 - LCZ 7 in 3
- 37 - LCZ 3 in 7

Summer time temperature variation across LCZs 2022



Nocturnal UHI
VEG ++

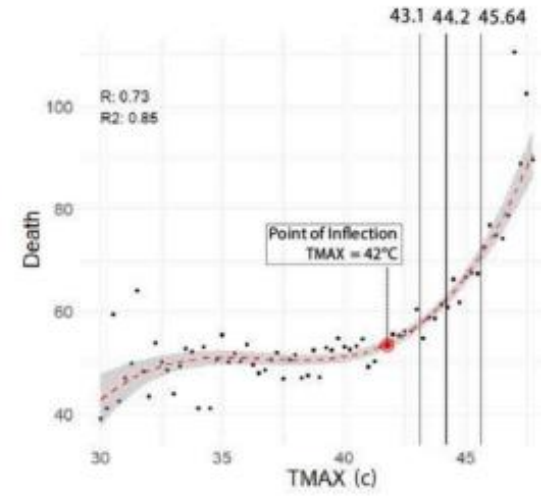
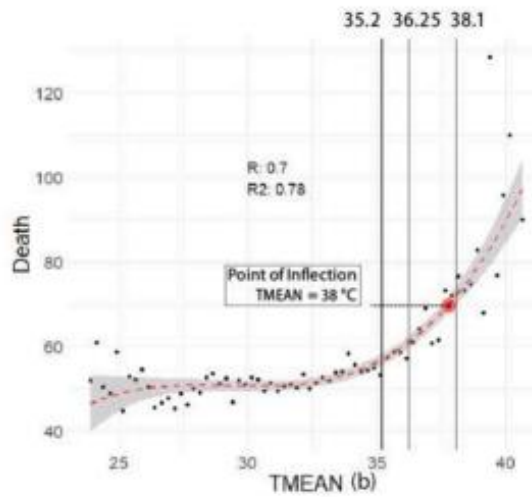
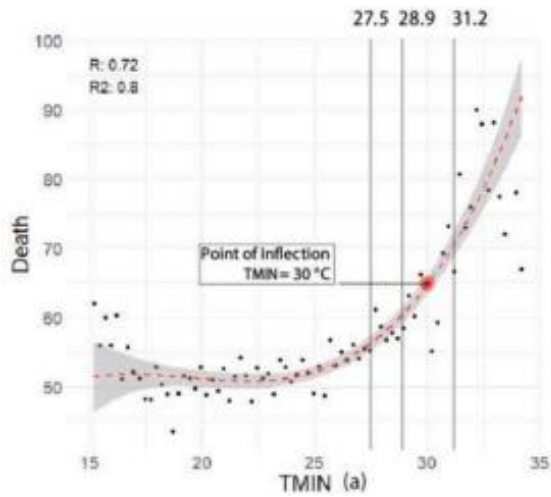
BUILT UP +++

Daytime UHI
BUILT UP ++

Sparse BUILT UP



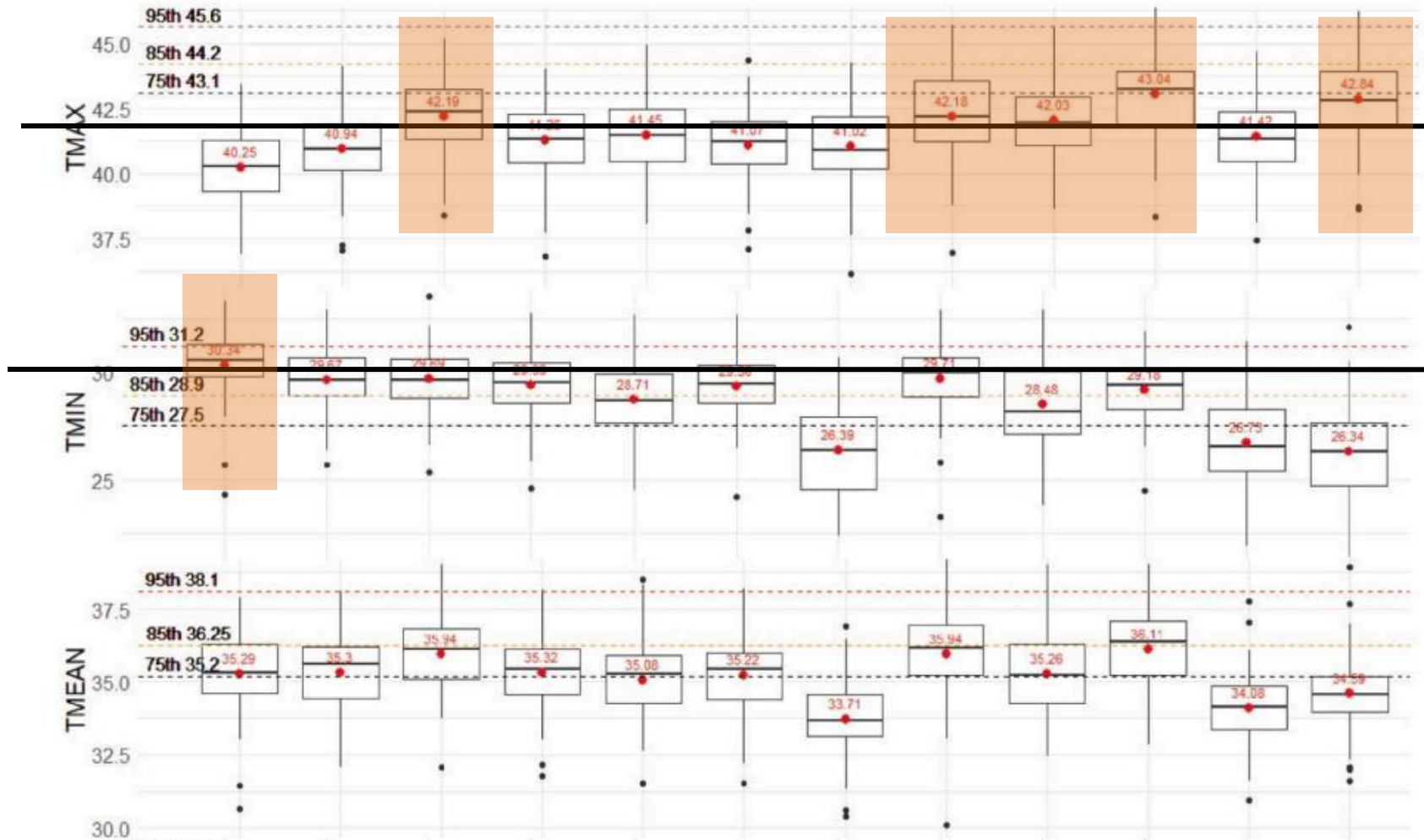
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Point of deflection	30 deg cel	42 deg cel	38 deg cel



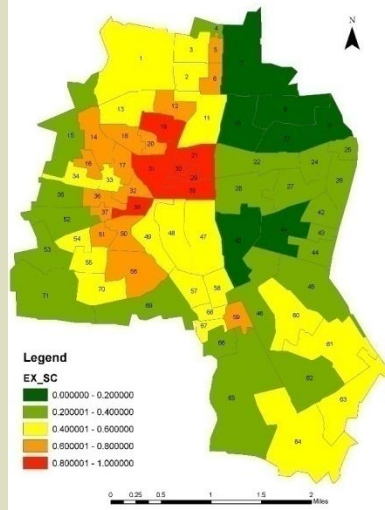
IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL THRESHOLD

	Min Temp	Max Temp	Mean Temp
Point of deflection	30 deg cel	42 deg cel	38 deg cel

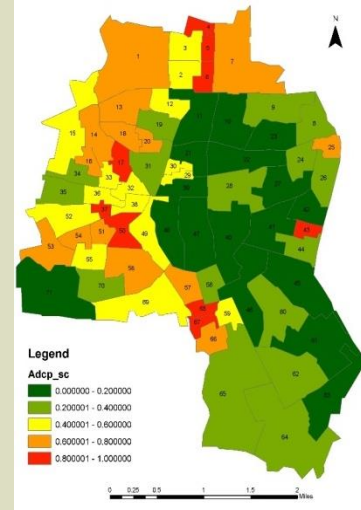
LCZs - 9, 9(3), 3F, 8 (during day); 3 (during night)



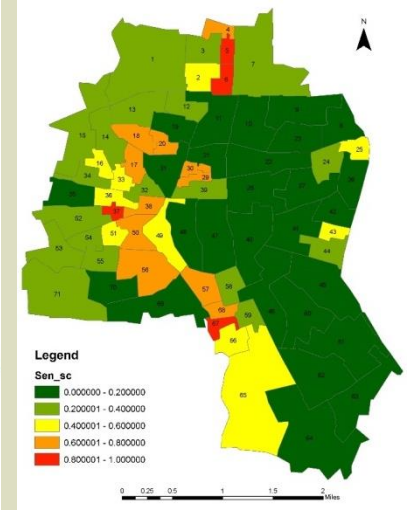
Indicators	Data Source
1. Electricity supply	Census of India-2011
2. Water supply	
3. Communication facilities	
4. Personal vehicle	
5. Bank account	
6. Health facilities	Remote Sensing & Municipal Corporation
7. Social facilities: religious facilities & schools	
8. Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)	LANDSAT-8 imagery
9. Illiterate Population	Census of India-2011
10. Female population	
11. Population aged under 6 years	
12. Population aged under 18 years	
13. Population aged over 60 years	
14. Population of Socially vulnerable	
15. Population density	
19. Average number of people per household	
20. Rented housing	
21. Temporary structure	
22. Roof material	
23. Population that has disability 18-64 years	
24. Land Surface Temperature (LST)	



Exposure Index

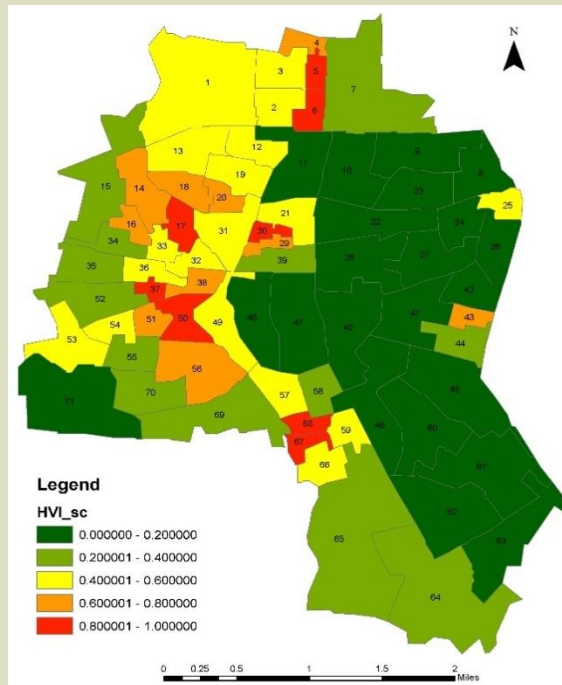


Sensitivity Index



Adaptive Capacity Index

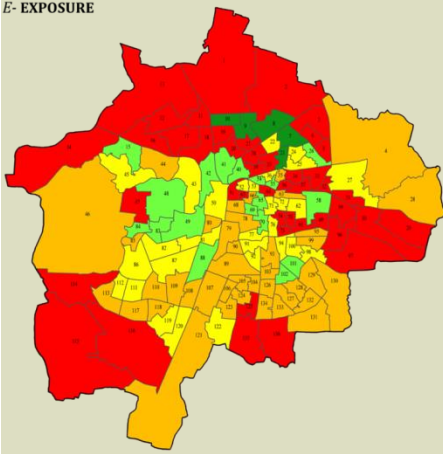
HEAT VULNERABILITY INDEX



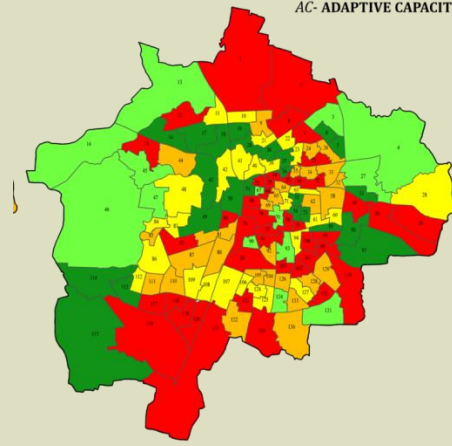
**HEAT HAZARD CAN BE
ADDED TO MAP RISK.**

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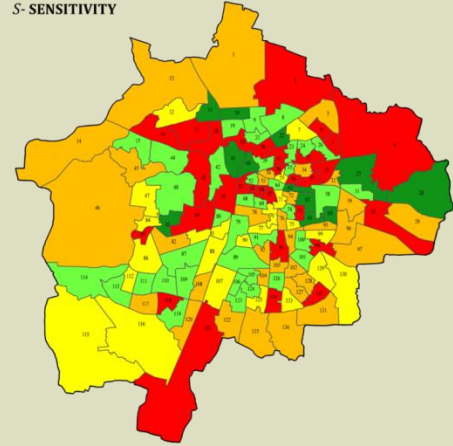
E- EXPOSURE



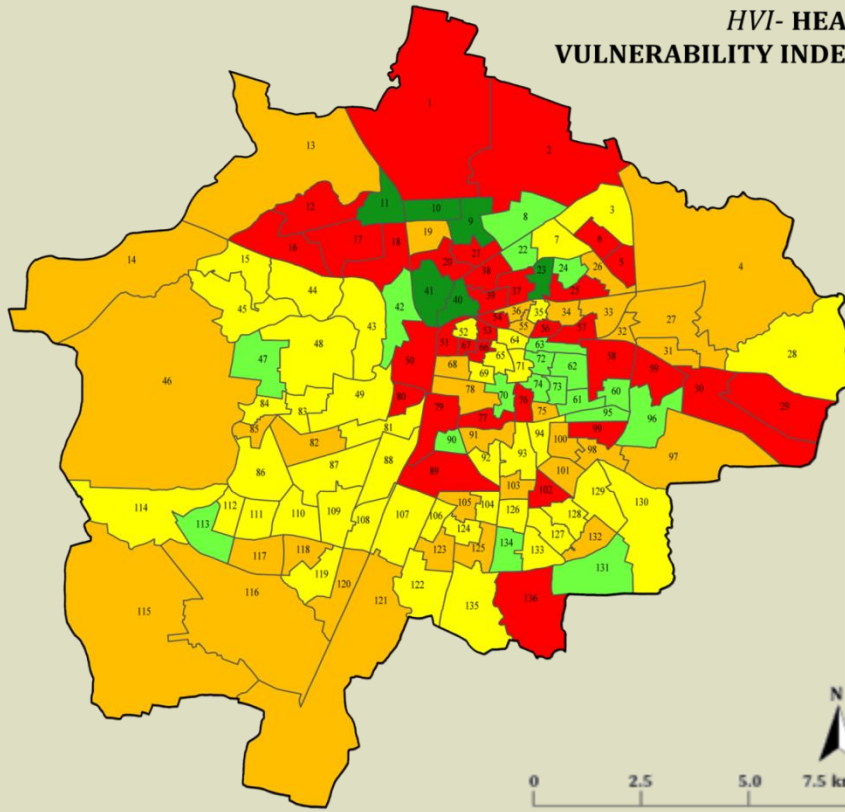
AC- ADAPTIVE CAPACITY

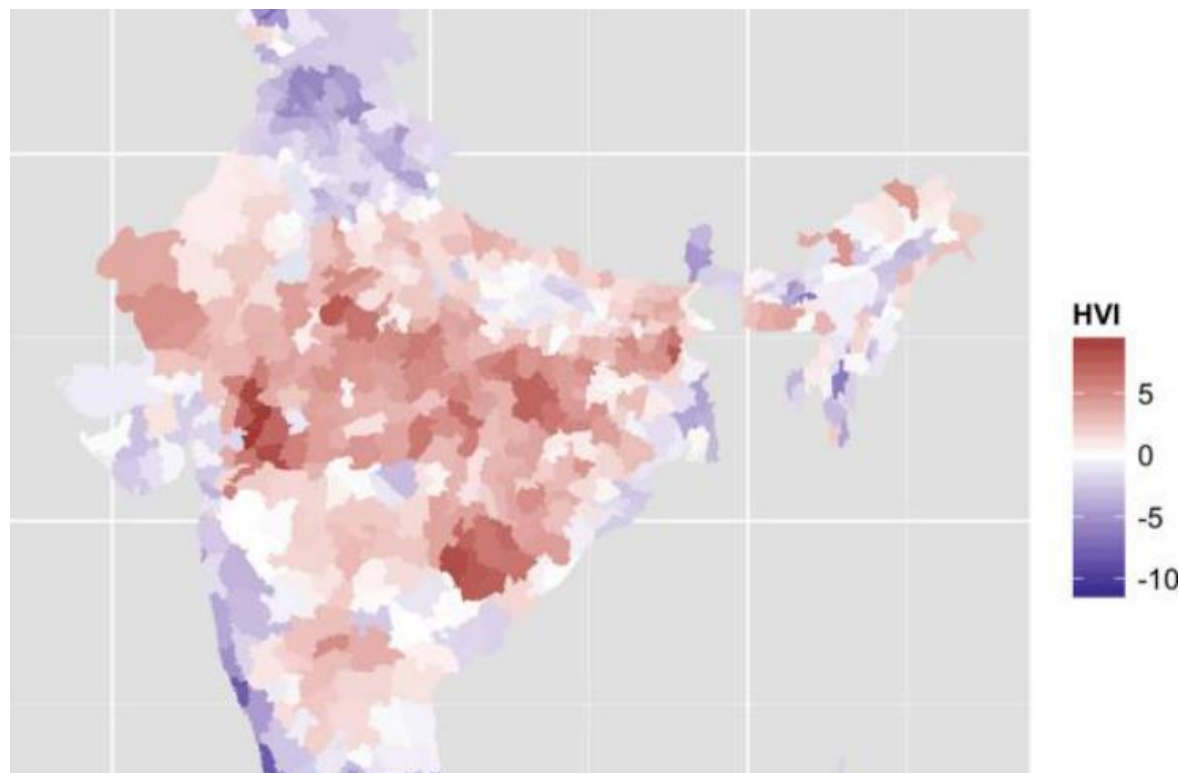


S- SENSITIVITY



**HVI- HEAT
VULNERABILITY INDEX**





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Heat Wave Vulnerability Mapping for India

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Indicators affecting the heat vulnerability

Population density

Population aged under 6 years

Population aged over 60 years

Average household size

Literacy

Roof material

Housing typology

Health facilities

Water supply

Communication facilities

NDVI

RISK

Vulnerability
(Infrastructure)

+

Hazard level
(Urban Form)

HEAT HAZARD
in cities are
strongly
influenced by
CITY
PLANNING
Measures

CHALLENGES OF HEAT RISK ASSESSMENT:

**Definition Of Hazard And
Data for Hazard
Local Threshold**

Spatial Framework – Ward(?)

**Dynamic Data for Adaptive
Capacity and Sensitivity
Static Nature of the
Assessment**

**Purpose of the Assessment
Adaption and Mitigation
Measures Based on the HRA**

**IMPROVING THE
HEAT
RESILIENCE:**

PHYSICAL :
CITY PLANNING
INFRASTRUCTURE
BLUE GREEN
BUILDINGS

NON-PHYSICAL

Climate resilient approach to city planning is the key...

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