

## Climate Change perspective for Puducherry UT

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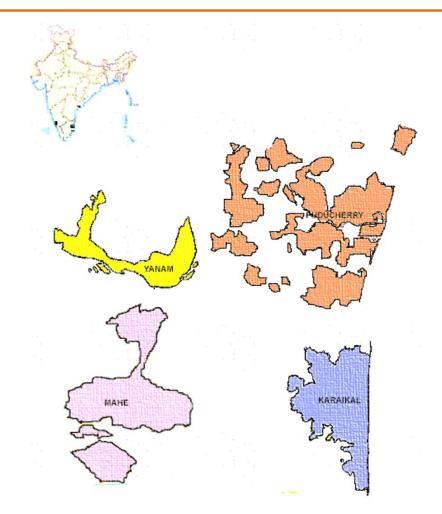






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- Work for Policy Makers
  - Types of policy making
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- Results for Puducherry



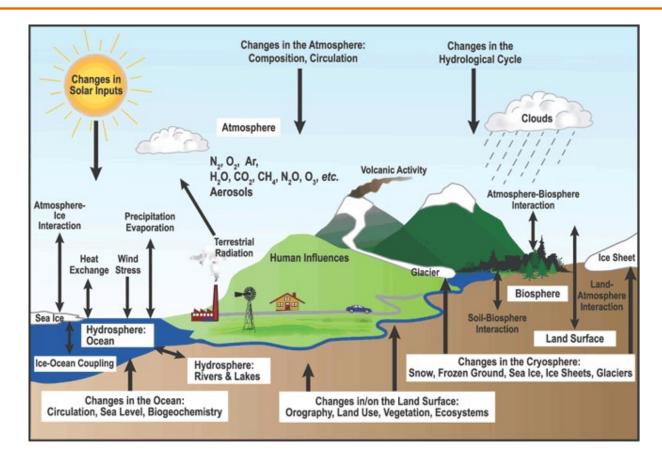


#### **Basic Definitions**

- Weather is the state of the atmosphere—its temperature, humidity, wind, rainfall and so on—over hours to weeks.
  - It is influenced by the oceans, land surfaces and ice sheets, which together with the atmosphere form what is called the 'climate system'.
- Climate, in its broadest sense, is the statistical description of the state of the climate system.
- Climate change is a change in the statistical properties of the climate system that persists for several decades or longer—usually at least 30 years.
  - These statistical properties include averages, variability and extremes.



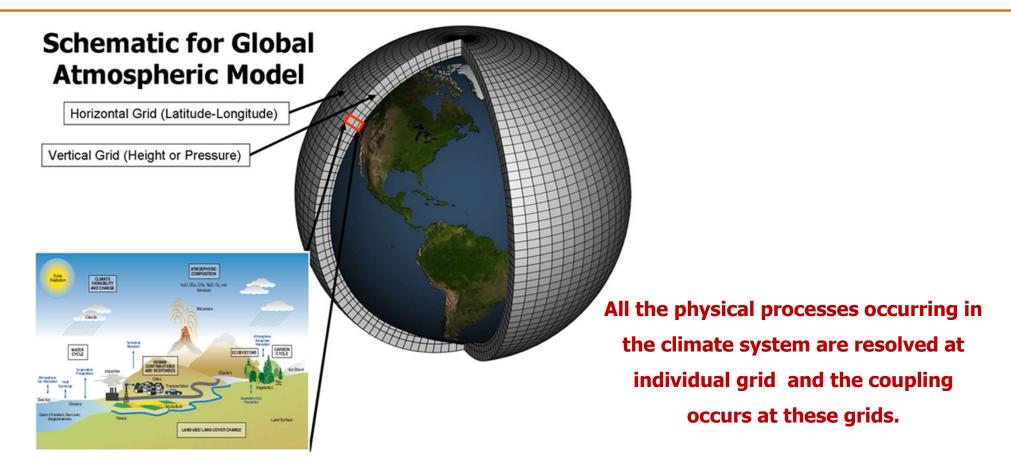
#### **Interactions**



The non-linear interaction among the components leads to climate variability at a range of spatial and temporal scales



#### **Numerical Solution: Time steps and Grid boxes**

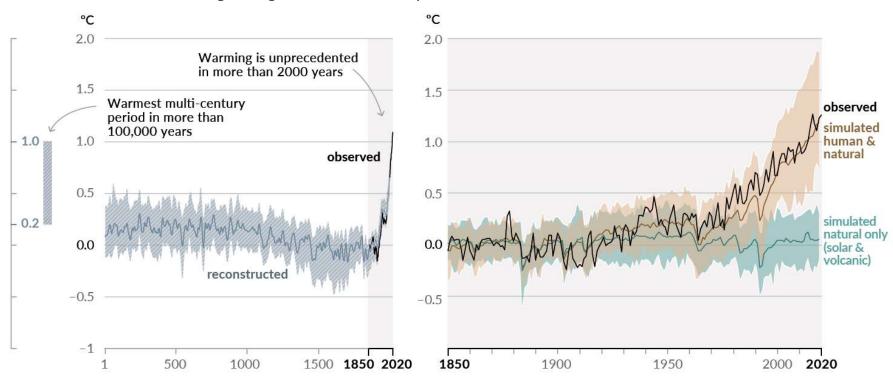




Source: NASA

# Human influence has warmed the climate at a rate that is unprecedented in at least the last 2000 years

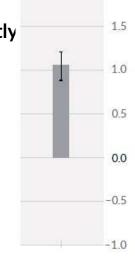
#### Changes in global surface temperature relative to 1850–1900





Source: IPCC AR6 SPM

# Observed warming is driven by emissions from human activities, with greenhouse gas warming partly masked by aerosol cooling



Observed warming

(a) Observed warming

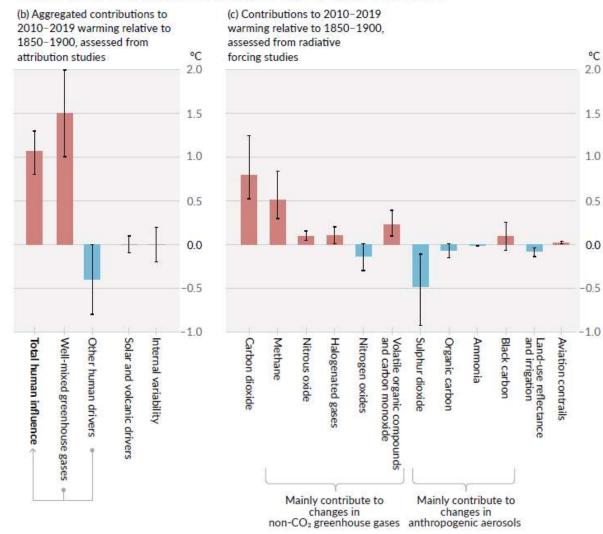
2010-2019 relative to

°C

2.0

Carbon dioxide is causing the bulk of the forcing.
On average, it lives more than a hundred years in the atmosphere and therefore affects climate over long time scales.

#### Contributions to warming based on two complementary approaches



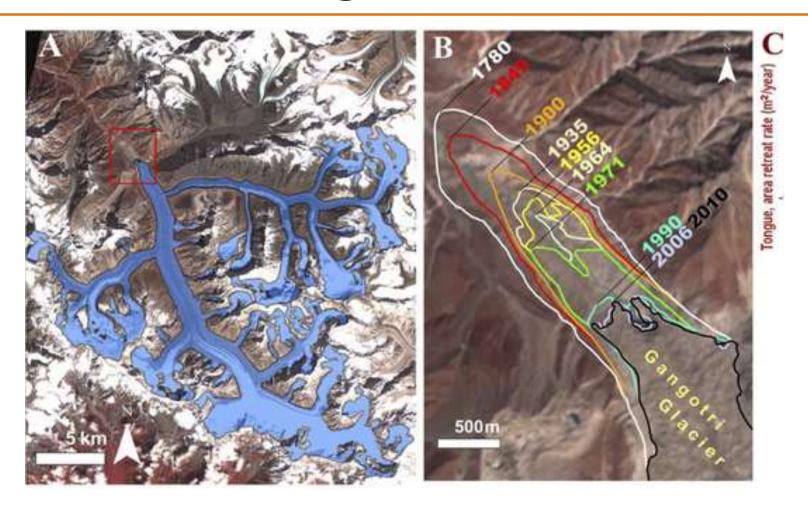


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# Evidences and Indicators of climate change (India context)

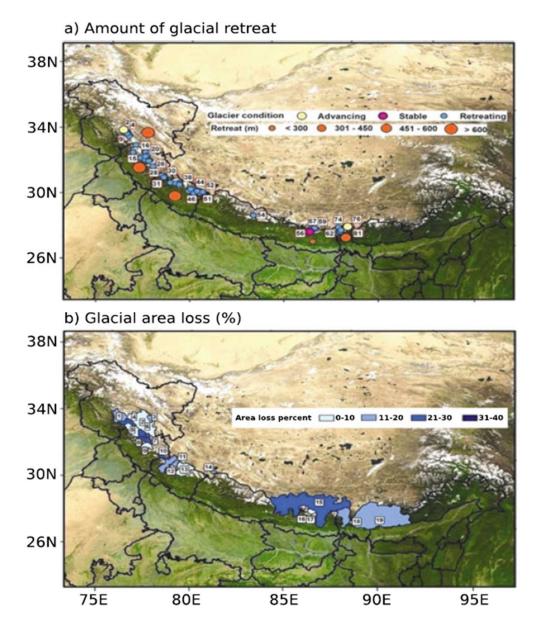


#### **Gangotri Glacier**

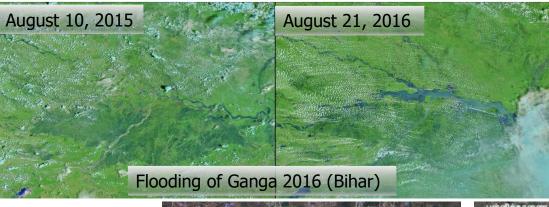




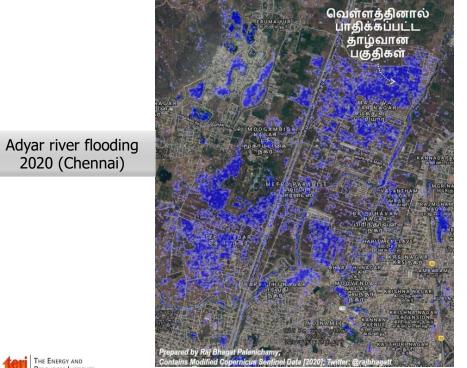
### Glacial Retreat And Loss

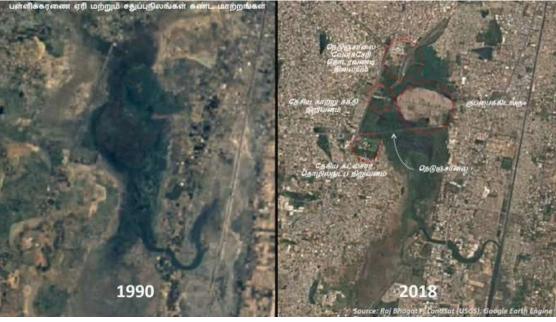














Pallikaranai wetland (flood buffers) being lost as built areas.

#### **Headlines**

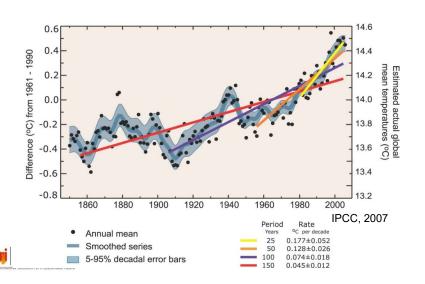
The five warmest years in the global record have all come in the 2010s

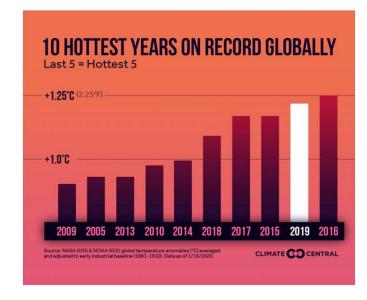
The 10 warmest years on record have all come since 1998

The 20 warmest years on record have all come since 1995

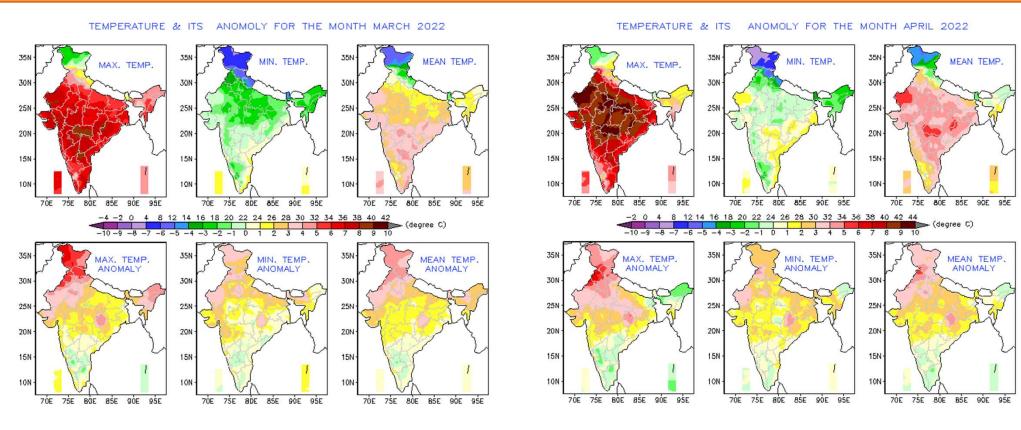
**India:** Thirteen out of the 15 warmest years since 1901 were the past 15 years (2002-2016) and the last decade (2001-2010/ 2007-2016) was also the warmest on

record





#### India in 2022

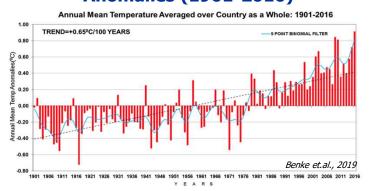


March: 122yr record warmest



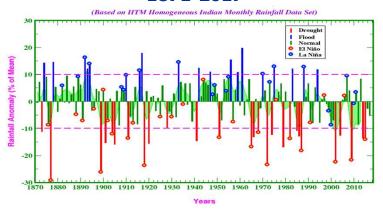


#### All India Mean Annual Temperature Anomalies (1901-2016)



The trend of warming in recent past (1971-2016) is higher over India and comparable to global trend in warming

#### All India Summer Monsoon from 1871-2017



All-India monsoon season rainfall time series shows NO long term trends. It is marked by large year to year variations.

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Sea level along the Indian coast has been rising at the rate of about 1.3mm/year on an average and projected to rise due to influences from global rise and regional effects.

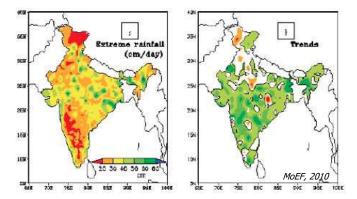
Increasing SLR and intense cyclones have caused coastal flooding due to storm surges in the past. The trend will continue in the future with higher surge heights making coastal inundation a big concern.



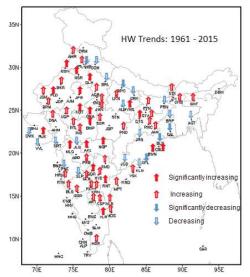
#### All India Annual Mean Temperature Anomalies (1969-2016) (Base: 1971-2000)

**IMD** °C Annual Mean Temperature anomaly w.r.t 1971-2000 Uttaranchal Himachal Pradesh Jammu and Kashmir Punjab Chandigarh Haryana Rajasthan Gujarat Daman and Diu Dadra and Nagar Haveli Chhattisgarh Madhya Pradesh Maharashtra Telangana Karnataka Goa - 0.0 Kerala Tamil Nadu Andhra Pradesh Jharkhand Uttar Pradesh Bihar West Bengal Assam Meghalaya Arunachal Pradesh Manipur Tripura Mizoram

Regional Trends are high with higher warming in recent past.



The extreme rainfall have increased over India with positive trends over most places

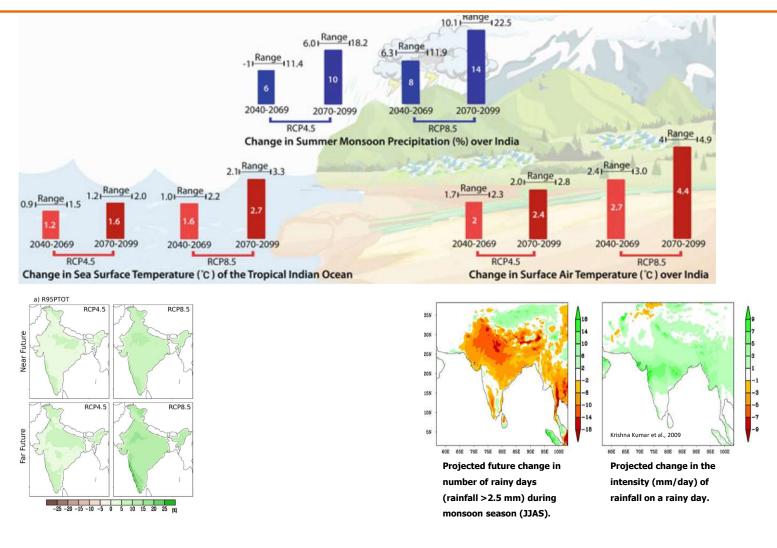






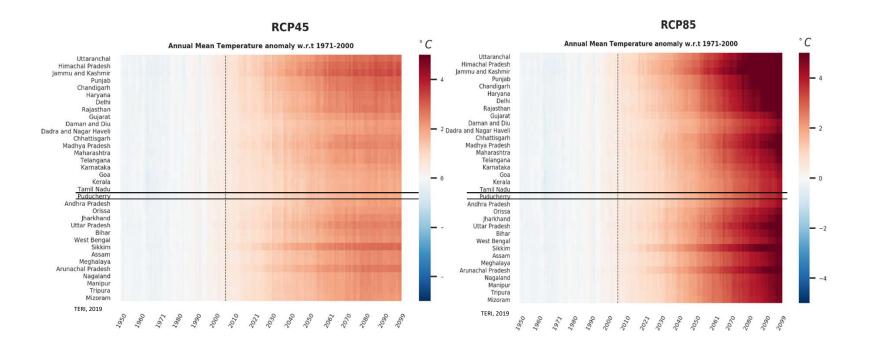
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#### PROJECTIONS FOR INDIA





#### **India context for future**



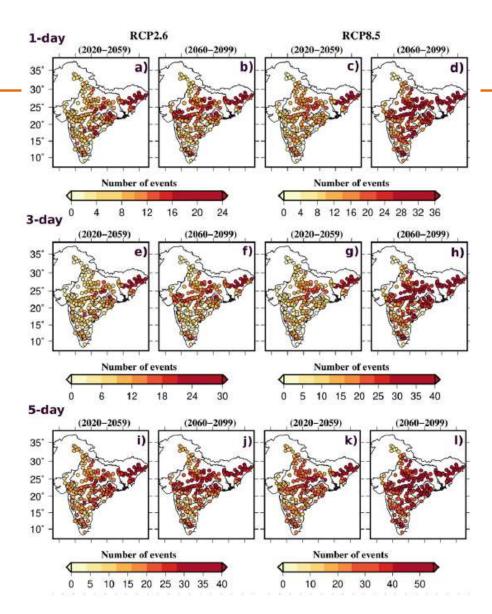
Significant evidences and analysis on increasing extremes in future on India wide / homogeneous scale



#### **Future Flooding**

Models indicate an increase in frequency of urban and river floods, under different levels of warming, 1.5 and 2.0 °C, as in association with an expected rise in heavy rainfall occurrences

Flood frequency and associated risk are projected to increase over the major river basins of India, with a higher risk for the Indus-Ganges-Brahmaputra river basins





#### **Expected Effects over India**

- Temperature: Rise between 1.7° to 2.0°C by 2030s and 3.5° to 4.3°C by 2080s
  - on avg. 27 more hot days (>45°) each year and around 1.3 more consecutive hot days (heat waves) events each year for next 30 years.
- Precipitation: Highly variable and unpredictable, avg. 0.3%-15% all India by 2030s and 9-15% by 2080s.
  - with around 4 18 more days of very high rainfall in near future (till 2050s).
- Extremes: Both temp and rainfall extremes to increase in future:
  - higher minimum temperatures and more intense rainy days as well as more drier days
- Cyclones: A decrease in projected number of cyclonic disturbances along both the coasts by 2030s but intensity to increase.
- Storm Surges: 5%-20% increase in 100-year return periods of storm surges over East coast in 2030s.
- Sea Level Rise: Sea Level Rise: At the end of the twenty-first century, steric sea level in the NIO is projected to rise by approximately 300 mm relative to the average over 1986–2005 under the RCP4.5 scenario

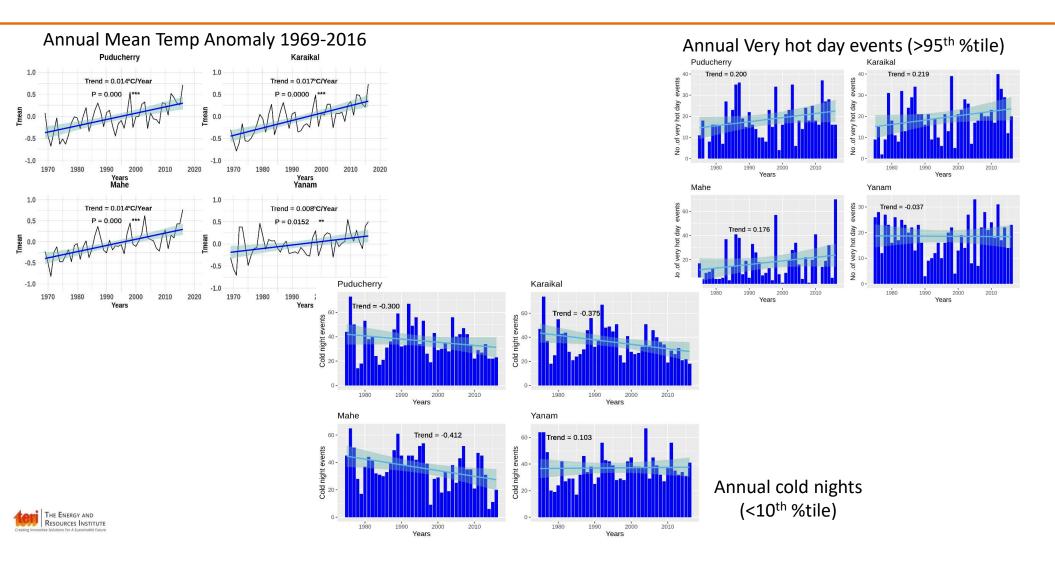


#### **Climate analysis over Puducherry**

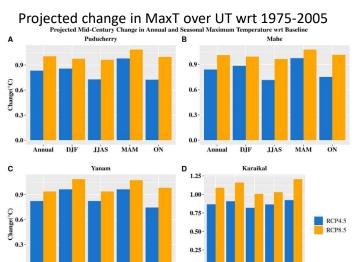
- Data used in this study is from IMD for historical analysis and NEX-GDDP data for future study.
- IMD rainfall data (1951-2016) at 0.25°X0.25° & temperature data 1°X1° (1969-2016).
   NEX-GDDP @0.25°
- To reduce the uncertainties in future change projections, a robust model selection methodology has been followed to select the best performing models over Puducherry out of the 21 NEX-GDDP models for the multimodal ensemble mean.
- Multimodal Ensemble mean of five best performing NEX-GDDP dataset has been used to assess the projected changes towards Mid-Century period (2021 – 2050)
- The change has been calculated as a difference between the 30 year average of midcentury (2021-2050) with respect to baseline (1975-2005).



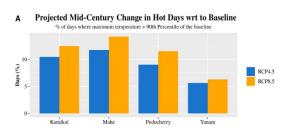
#### **Historical Analysis (temp)**

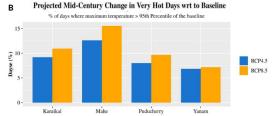


#### Future Climate Analysis (temp 2021-2050)

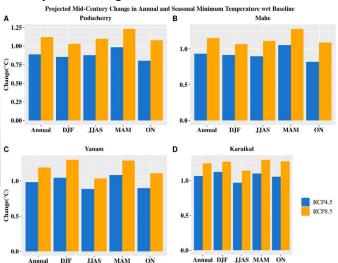


- Annual/Seasonal warming for the UT under both RCPs
- Change in MinT more than MaxT
- Extremes Temp also show increase in future with Mahe showing the most changes.



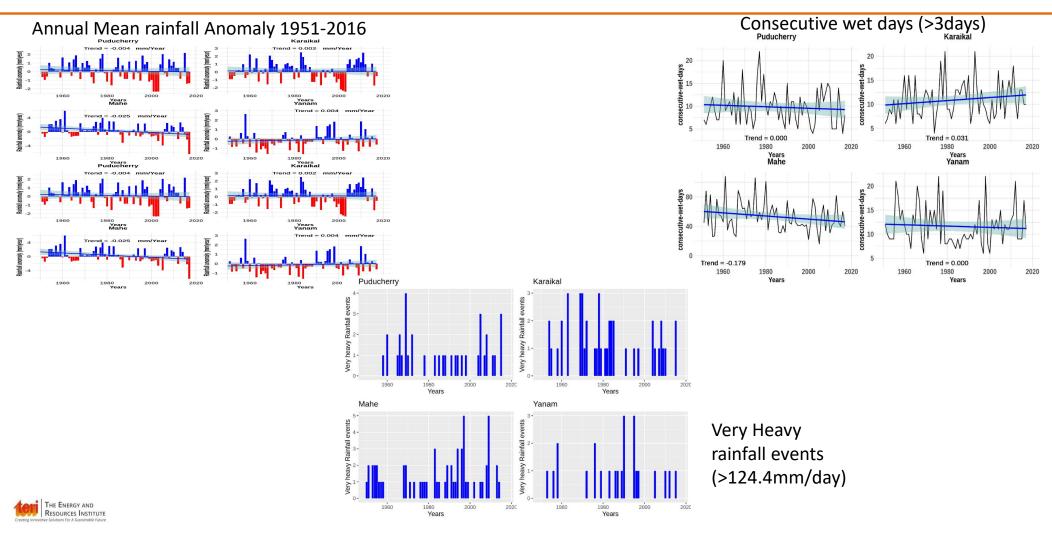


#### Projected change in MinT over UT wrt 1975-2005

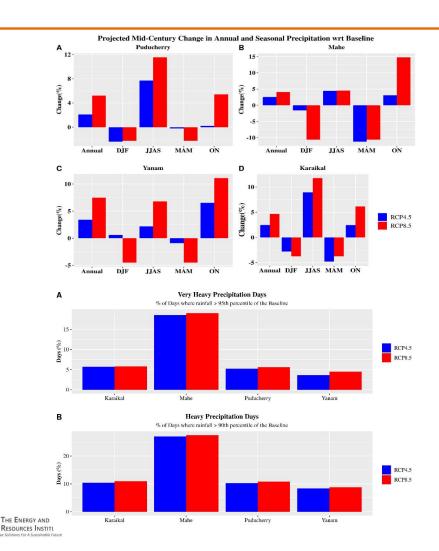




#### **Historical Analysis (rainfall)**



#### Future Climate Analysis (Rainfall 2021-2050)



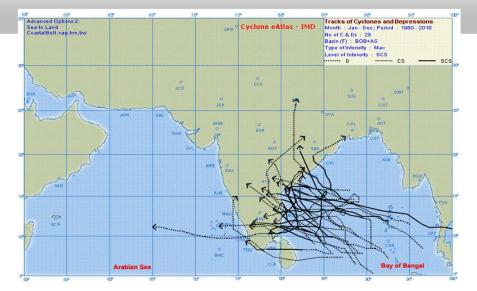
- Annual average and Monsoon rainfall is projected to increase for all the districts in the UT of Puducherry for both RCP4.5 and RCP8.5 scenarios for the 2021-2050
- Puducherry shows a projected change in annual rainfall of 2% and 6% for RCP 4.5 and RCP8.5.
- Mahe shows a projected change in annual rainfall of 2% and 4% for RCP4.5 and RCP8.5.
- Yanam shows a projected annual change of 3% and 7% for RCP4.5 and RCP8.5.
- **Karaikal** shows a projected increase in rainfall of **3% and 4%** for RCP4.5 and RCP8.5.
- Heavy and very heavy precipitation are projected to increase over all the districts of the UT of Puducherry.
- Wet days and dry days also shows high variability but overall it shows increase for most of the UTs for the future.

#### **Tropical Cyclones**

- During 1980-2018 (38 years): 44 TC have crossed the Bay of Bengal Basin to A.P. & T.N. coastal belt, of which 28 were severe SCS.
- During OND season the TC occurrence are more frequent.
- The Bay of Bengal TC more often strike Odisha-West Bengal coast in October, Andhra coast in November and the Tamil Nadu coast in December.

More intense CS projected for future however no evidence of increasing frequency in

long dataset.





#### **Climate Services and tool**

