Water-related Disaster Risk Reduction Considering Climate Change - Transition to River Basin Disaster Resilience and Sustainability by All -

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## Total disaster events by type: 1980-1999 vs. 2000-2019



Water-related disasters (flood, storm, landslide, drought) weigh more than 80% of disaster events.

Reference: EM-DAT

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## Challenge for Climate Change

- The Paris Agreement, legally binding international treaty on climate change, was adopted by 196 Parties at COP 21 in Paris, on 12 December 2015, and entered into force on 4 November 2016.
- In 2020, Japan declared to aim to realize a carbon-neutral, carbon-free society by 2050.



## Impact of Climate Change becoming Apparent

O Occurence of intense heavy rainfall events is increasing.
O Sea surface temperature rise may increase disasters by typhoon.



## **Recent Natural Disasters across Japan**

Typhoon Lionrock (August, 2016) Heavy Rain in the Kanto and Tohoku Regions Kumamoto Earthquake (2016)

> ③ Inundation (The Omoto River) (Iwaizumi-town, Iwate Prefecture)

Heavy Rain in the Northern Kyushu Region (July, 2017)



(4)Inundation (The Katsura River) (Asakura-city, Fukuoka)

#### <u>Heavy Rain (July)</u>

(1) Inundation (The Kinu River)

(Joso-city, Ibaraki)

(September 2015)



⑤ Inundation (The Oda River) (Kurashiki-city, Okayama)

Heavy Rain (August)

#### Typhoon Jebi (September)

2 Landslides

(Minamiaso-village, Kumamoto

Prefecture)



(6) Inundation at the Kobe Port (Kobe-city, Hyogo)

#### Eastern Iburi Earthquake



⑦ Landslides (Atsuma-town, Hokkaido)

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(8) Inundation (The Rokkaku River) (Omachi-town, Saga Prefecture)

#### Typhoon Faxai (September)



③ Collapsing utility poles and trees (Kamogawa-city, Chiba)

#### Typhoon Hagibis (October)



10 Inundation (The Chikuma River) (Nagano-city, Nagano)



(1) Inundation (The Kuma River) (Hitoyoshi-city, Kumamoto)

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Direction of River Basin Disaster Resilience and Sustainability by All

- Comprehensive and Multi-layered Water-related Disaster Risk Reduction Considering Climate Change -

- Shift to mainstream disaster prevention and mitigation for society
- Promote the transition to River Basin Disaster Resilience and Sustainability by All, including businesses and households

**Conventional Measures** 

- Rebuilding Flood-Conscious Societies
- Combination of Structural and Non-structural Measures

#### Changes

Impacts of Climate Change	Social Trends	Technological Innovation
Need to enhance measures	Need to achieve safe and	Need to utilize 5G, AI,
for early improvement	secure Compact Plus Network	Big Data, and IT technologies
of safety	urban planning	in disaster risk reduction



## **Revising Plans Considering Climate Change**

## **Plan Revision**

The current defense plans against floods, etc. were developed based on **past records of precipitation and tide levels** 



\* In the scenario of global temperature rise below 2°C (the target scenario of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change), precipitation is likely to increase by a factor of 1.1 Climate

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Goal

## River Basin Disaster Resilience and Sustainability by All

- Flood management with the cooperation of all the stakeholders around basins
- Promote the following integrated and multilayered measures:
  - 1) Flood Protection, 2) Exposure Reduction, and 3) Disaster Resilience



## Actions for addressing water security and resilience goals

To promote financing on water and disaster management and develop good projects

- 1. Make the water sector, including water-related disasters, a priority issue for each country and substantially increase the allocation of funds
- 2. Data collection and system development for medium- and long-term planning
- 3. System development and human resources development for efficient use of funds
- 4. Secure funding for science and technology and knowledge information systems to promote innovation