Toward Integrated Flood Risk Management — Outline of ICHARM —

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Background: Birth of ICHARM

- IDNDR 1990-1999 & ISDR 2000-, MDGs, WSSD, Hyogo Framework of Action 2005 etc.
- ICHARM was proposed by the Japanese Government and approved at UNESCO 33rd General Conference, October 2005
- Agreements signed by UNESCO, G of Japan & PWRI on March 3, 2006
- ICHARM was established on March 6, 2006
 - A UNESCO Category II Global Center hosted by Public Works Research Institute (PWRI), Tsukuba, Japan

Public Works Research Institute (PWRI)

- - Staff : 389 (including 266 researchers)
 - 14 research groups with 37 research teams
 - Budget (FY 2006): 10 bil. JPY (82 mil. USD)

Missions of ICHARM

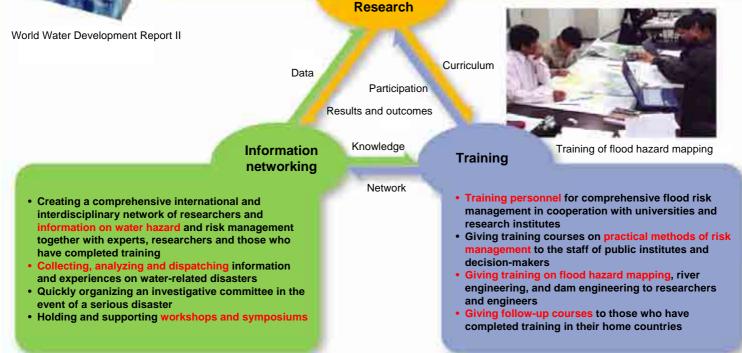
The mission of ICHARM is to function as an international center for providing and assisting the implementation of the most practicable strategies to prevent and mitigate water related disasters (floods, droughts, sediment-related disasters, tsunamis, storm surges, water contamination, etc.) in the world.

% Focus on flood related disasters at the initial stage

Research, Training and Information networking activities would be promoted in a combined manner



- Analyzing the flood risk in each region of developing countries
- Developing and disseminating an advanced flood alert system using artificial satellites, remote sensing and other advanced technologies
- Developing technologies for preparing and utilizing flood hazard maps appropriate for the local environment and social conditions
- Giving consultations to regions to help them plan and implement strategies and improve their social capabilities to prevent disasters by implementing alert systems and hazard maps
- Promoting studies on hydrological observation, hydrological forecasting and hydrological analysis, which
 will serve as the base
- Actively collaborating with the World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP), International Flood Initiative (IFI), and groups in charge of Global Environment Outlook (GEO) and Prediction in Ungauged Basins (PUB)



Research

- Local studies (Identification of the real needs of the people in diverse localities) → Diagnosis & Prescription
 - Disaster (Flood) Preparedness Indices
- Flood Alert System using satellite information (with JAXA, IFNet/GFAS/IFAS etc.)
- Risk analysis and adaptation measures to global warming (MEXT fund for 2007-2012)
 - − JMA/MRI GCM (20km mesh) →
 - Development of risk indices,
 - Drawing a Global flood risk map,
 - Estimating Adaptation cost (structural & non-structural)
- Flood Hazard Mapping
 - methodologies to map in remote localities with poor data
 - effective and beneficial use of HMs in various conditions

Capacity Building

- Training courses
 - Flood hazard mapping course started in 2004
 - River and Dam engineering course started in 1969
- Follow up program for ex-trainees
- Master course on Flood Disaster Management with National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS)

Flood Hazard Mapping Training Course









Following up Seminar of FHM training course

(Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2008 Guanzou, China)



Mr. Asikin from Indonesia participating the seminar in Guanzou, China

Water-related Risk Management Course

A master's degree program by GRIPS* and ICHARM/PWRI

Objective :

to develop trainee's capacity to practically manage the problems and issues concerning water-ralated disasters

Duration : 1yr from October to September Language : in English Course Program :

Lectures



Disaster Management Policy, Basic Subjects (Hydrology, Hydraulics), Integrated Flood Risk Management, Hazard mapping and Evacuation Planning, Sustainable Reservoir Development and Management, Control Measures for Landslide and Debris Flow, Introduction to International Cooperation

Hands-on Training session Individual study

*GRIPS : Graduate Research Institute for Policy Studies (www.grips.ac.jp)

Water related Risk Management Course



Information Networking

- Collection of local site-specific information

 ICHARM Local Study Series
 ICHARM Flood Year Book
- Monitoring of the improvement of flood preparedness
- Analyses of global data sets → policy effective information
 - Lead organization of WWDR3 Risk management chapter

Cooperation with related organizations and programs

- Participating in international activities as a secretariat and a player, such as WWAP, IFI and Asia Pacific Water Forum
- Promoting joint projects in cooperation with existing UNESCO centres
- Maintaining and strengthening mutually cooperative partnerships with affiliate research institutes by exchanging personnel and conducting joint researches
- Building a close collaboration and appropriately sharing responsibilities with diverse related international programmes such as IF-Net, JWF and the Network of Asian River Basin Organizations (NARBO) to achieve synergy among the respective activities
- Planning and implementing research and training projects in cooperation with funding organizations such as the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Asia Development Bank (ADB) and World Bank (WB)

Asia-Pacific Water Forum (APWF)

http://www.apwf.org

- Launched during the WWF4 in Mexico
- to contribute to sustainable water management in order to achieve the targets of the MDGs in Asia-Pacific region
- 1st Asia Pacific Water Summit was held in Beppu, Japan on December 3 – 4, 2007

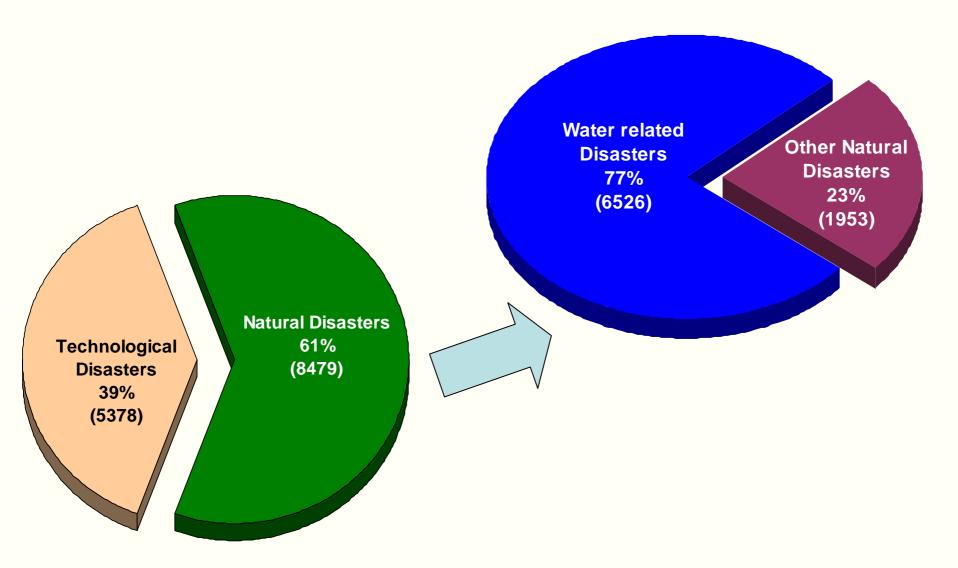
3 Priority themes

- Water Financing
- Water-related Disaster Management
- Water for Development and Ecosystem

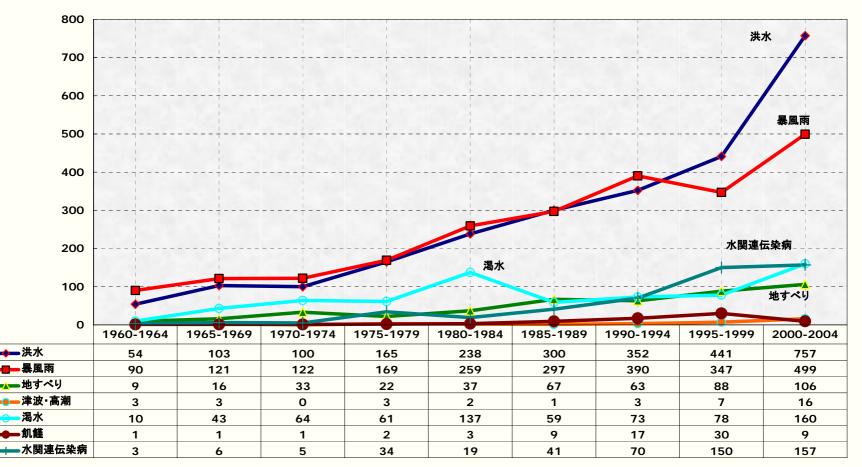
ICHARM served as the leading agency for the theme of water related disaster management

Recommendations agreed among the participants for Theme B session

- Integrate water-related Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) into national development plans, recognizing adaptation to increasing risks from climate change as a "highest" priority issue.
- Recognize the importance of IWRM for water-related DRR and the need to strengthen comprehensive structural and non-structural measures
- Establish national and local goals/targets for waterrelated DRR, taking the impacts of climate change into consideration
- Develop preparedness indices for water-related DRR for the Asia-Pacific region
- Develop water-related disaster warning systems and human capacities
- Establish regional knowledge hub for Water-related DRR

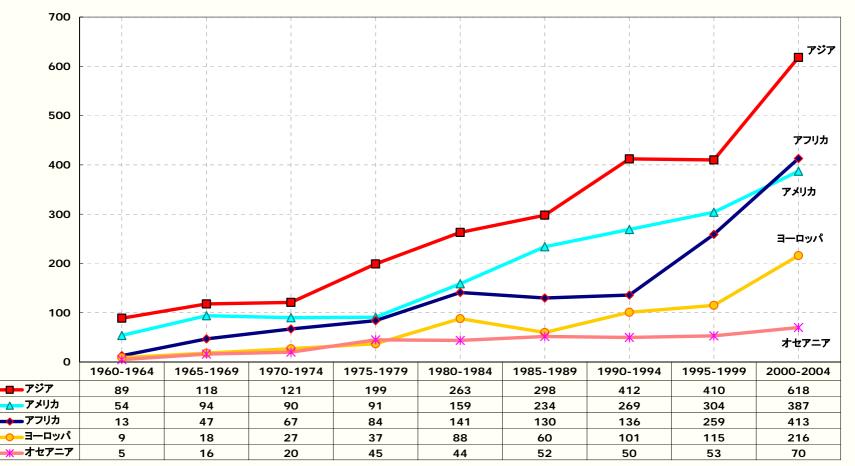


Disasters in the world (1960-2004) ※ By PWRI using CREDO Data 災害件数

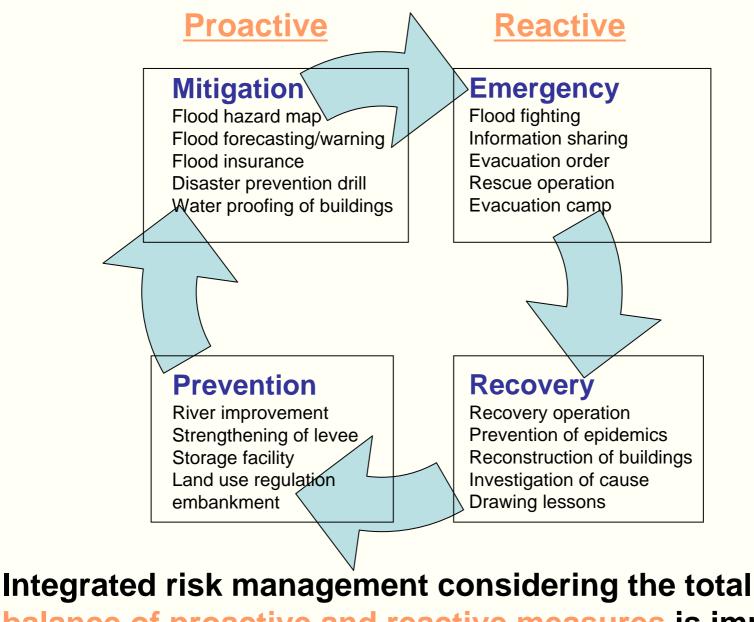


Annual trend of water related disasters (for each disaster)

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Annual trend of water related disasters (for each region)



balance of proactive and reactive measures is important

Integrated Flood Management

- within the context of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)
- with a view to maximizing the efficient use of flood plains
- and minimize the loss of life and properties

('Integrated Flood Management ', the associate programme on flood management, c/o Hydrology and Water Resources Department, WMO)

Cut the process chain of flood disasters in an integrated manner to maximize the net benefit to the region under various natural, social and economical conditions

Various Measures for integrated River and Basin management

Various types of projects contribute to conservation of land and preservation of scenic landscapes.

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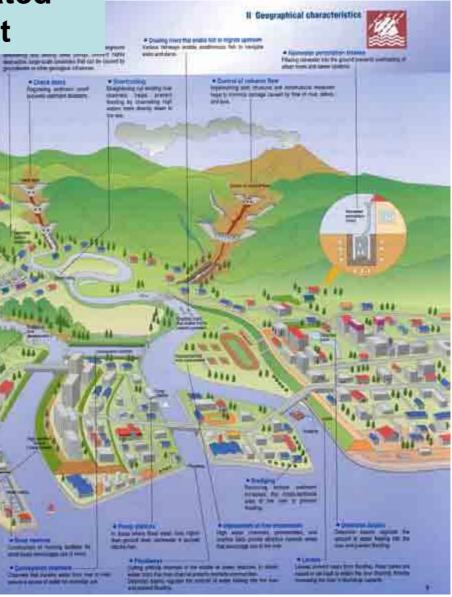
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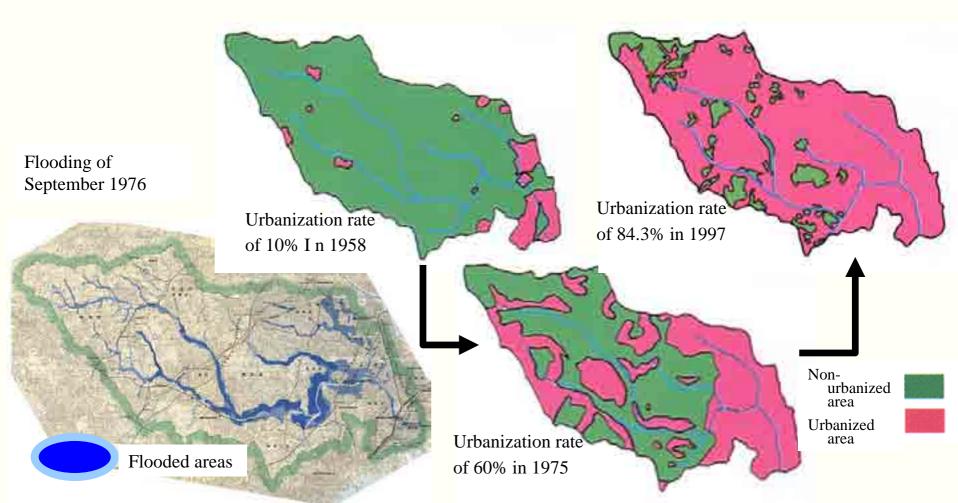
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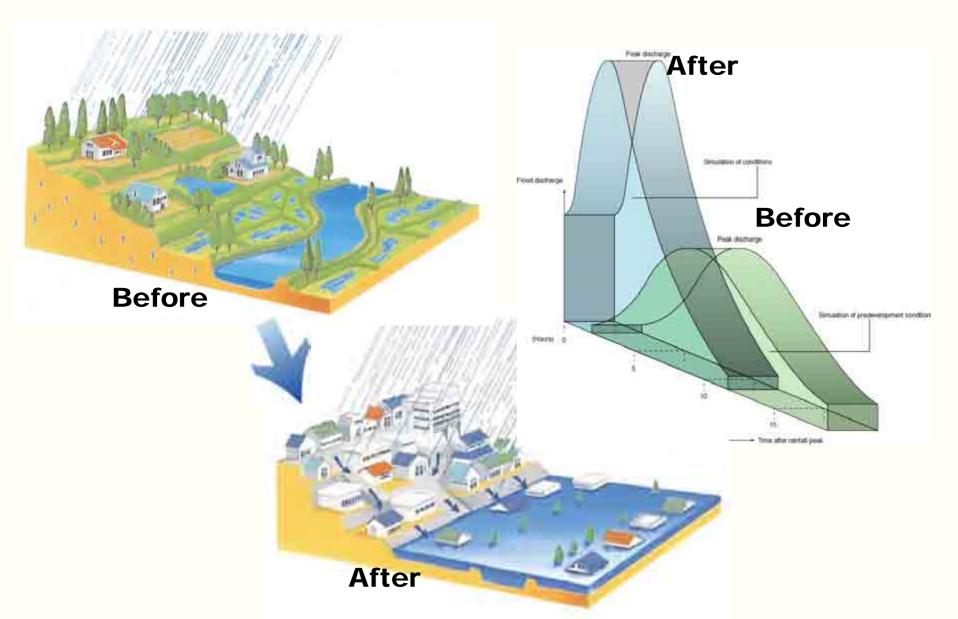
from 'Rivers in Japan', MLIT, 2003

Extensive Housing Land Development has been in Progress in the Heights and Hilly Zones of the Suburban Areas in the Three Major Metropolitan Regions.

Developments of Heights and Hilly Zones: Tsurumi River (through Tokyo metropolis and Kanagawa Prefecture)



Effect of urbanization on flood runoff



Widening of river channel is difficult in the highly urbanized area

Tsurumi River



Source: "Tsurumi River and Renewal of Its Basin – Suggestions toward Formulation of Master Plan for Development of Tsurumi River Basin Water Resources" Naka River and Ayase River



Source: Brochure "For Prptecing Our Town from Flood Disasters"

Comprehensive Flood Disaster Prevention Measures

Basin Council

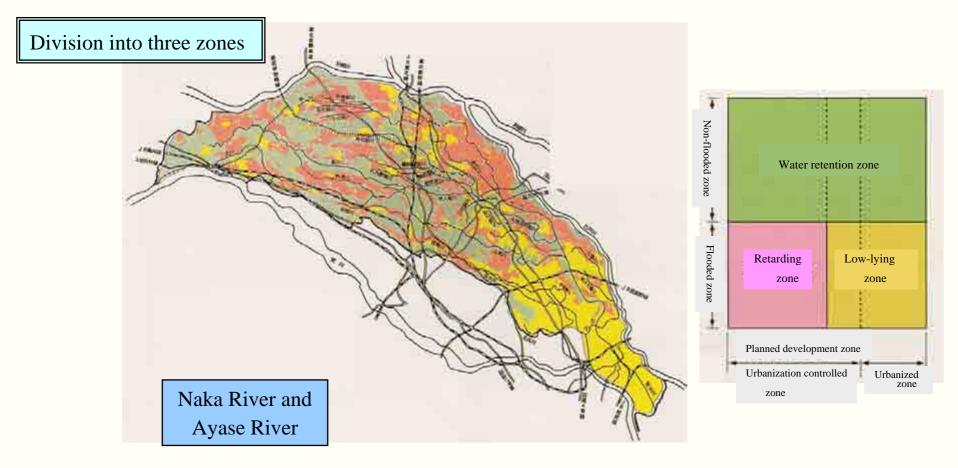
consisted of the representatives of the regional development bureau of MLIT, river related departments and the urban, housing and land department of the prefectural and municipal governments concerned, to discuss the implementation scenario of the comprehensive measures for the river basin.

Basin improvement plan

The Council studies and selects concrete measures appropriate to the characteristics of the particular basin and make up a basin improvement plan.

Basin Measures

With the basin divided into three zones, namely, Water Retention Zone, Retarding Zone and Low-lying Zone, basin improvement measures appropriate to the characteristics of the respective zones have been implemented.



Basin Improvement Plan

Retention areas

- Maintenance of controlled urbanization districts
- Conservation of nature
- Construction of reservoirs and regulating basins
- Installation of permeable pavements and seepage sumps

Detention areas

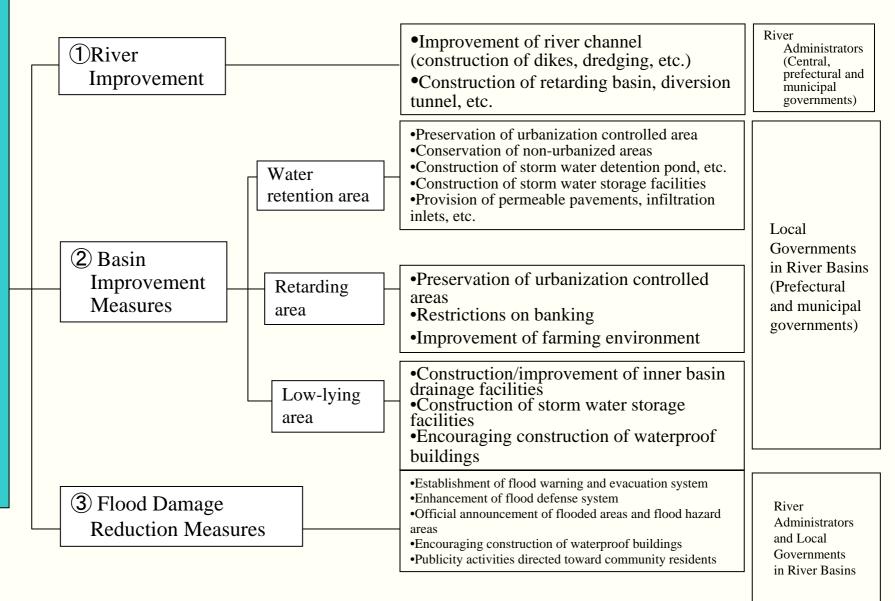
- Preservation of urbanization control zones
- Control of landfill
- Promotion of conditions favorable to agricultural activities

Low-lying areas

- Development of drainage facilities
- Construction of storage facilities
- Encouragement of use of flood-proof buildings

Disaster Prevention Measures Comprehensive Flood

Comprehensive Flood Disaster Prevention Measures

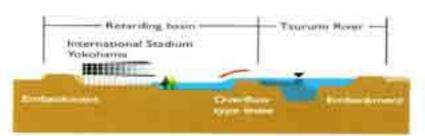


Construction of Retarding Basin and Diversion Tunnel

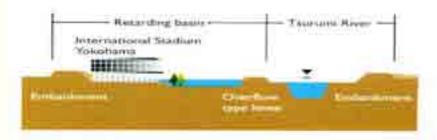
Multipurpose Retarding Basin for Tsurumi River



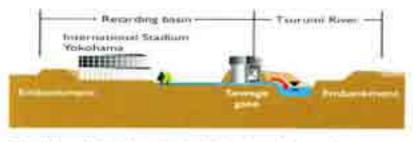




When it looks like a flood is going to cause the river to overflow, water from the river can flow over the overflow type levee into the retarding basin.



Floodwater is temporarily stored in the retarding basin.



When the water level of the river drops, the sewage gate is used to allow water to gradually flow back into the river.







Construction of Rainwater Storage Facilities



Shinkashi River

Construction of Permeable Pavements and Infiltration Inlets

Permeable pavement



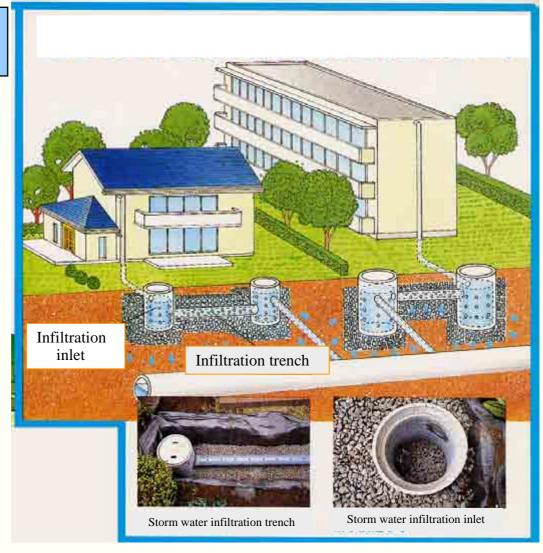
Permeable tile pavement



Tokyo Metropolis

Construction of Permeable Pavement and Infiltration Inlet

Storm water infiltration facilities



Damage Reduction Measures

Encouraging Construction of Waterproof Buildings

Tsurumi River



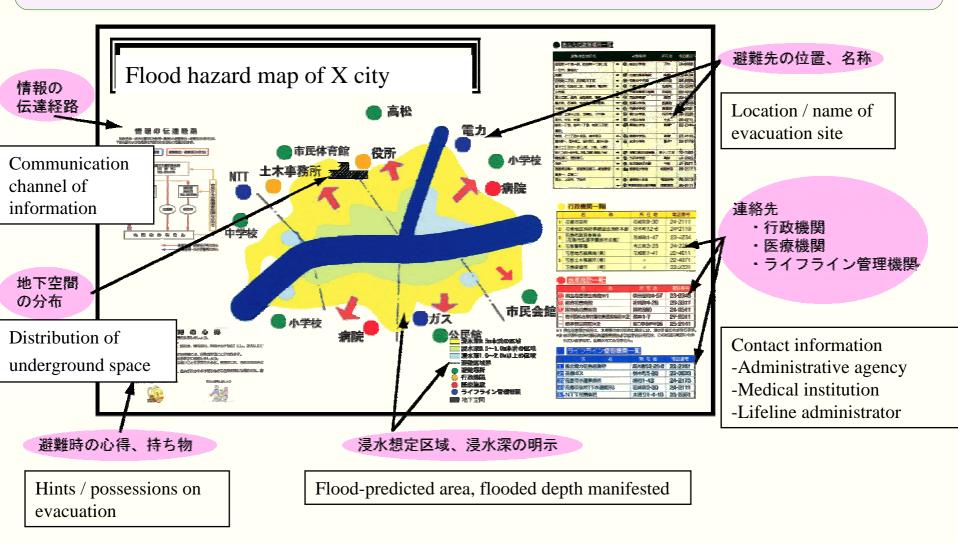
▲Constructed in a multipurpose retarding basin for the Tsurumi River, this building has adopted a piloti type structure to permit the use of the retarding basin during floods. ▲Located near the Tsurumi River, the building, learning from past experience, adopts a piloti type structure to protect it from flood damage.

Role of flood hazard map

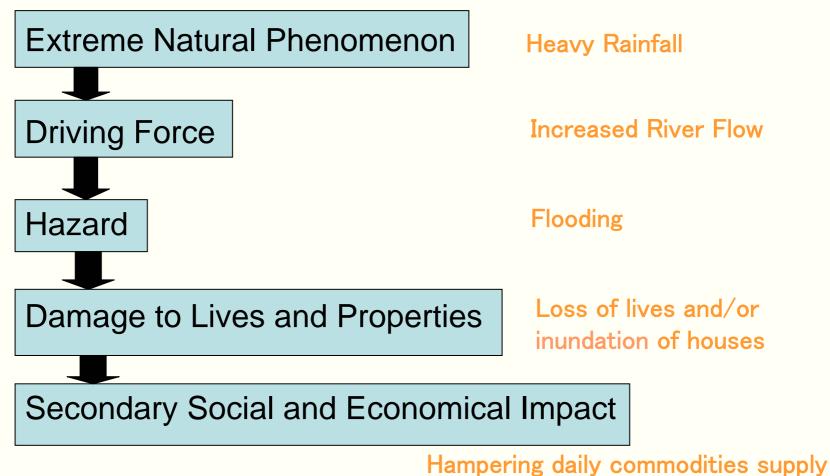
1.Advance preparation

2. Damage mitigation in the event of a disaster

3. Increasing awareness of disaster prevention

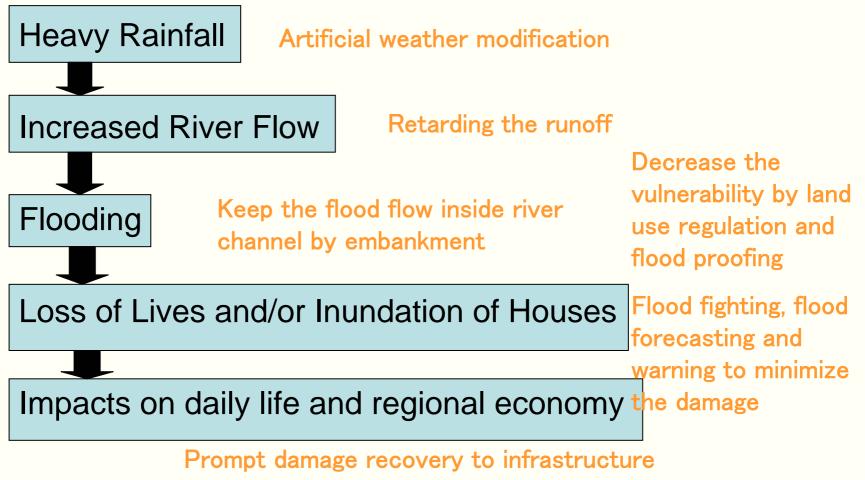


Process Chain of Natural Disasters



and/or Regional production activities

Flood Risk Management to cut Process Chain of Flood Disasters



facilities, financial aid and insurance



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