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SOUTH ASIA HYDROMET FORUM III

OBSERVATIONAL SYSTEMS AND REGIONAL DATA EXCHANGE FOR MONITORING AND PREDICTION OF EXTREMES

- **Leveraging public and private sector engagement to meet SAHF priorities**

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NEEDS AND CHALLENGES IN PUBLIC PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENTS

- South Asia is prone to disasters the most common being
 - Lightning – India, Bangladesh, Nepal
 - Flooding and urban floods
 - Heat waves
 - Drought
- Challenges in setting up Public Private Sector Engagement
 - Investment – Public or Private
 - Sustainable infrastructure
 - Data sharing and interoperability

OVERCOMING PPE CHALLENGES- REAL LIFE EXAMPLES

- Odisha State Disaster Management Authority
- Peru – Early Warning Flood System
- Assam State Disaster Management Authority

ODISHA STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

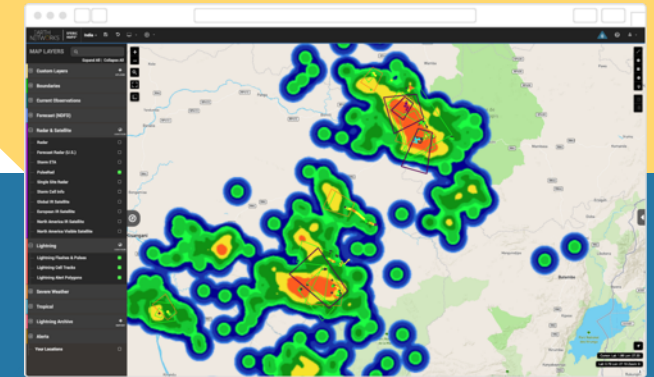
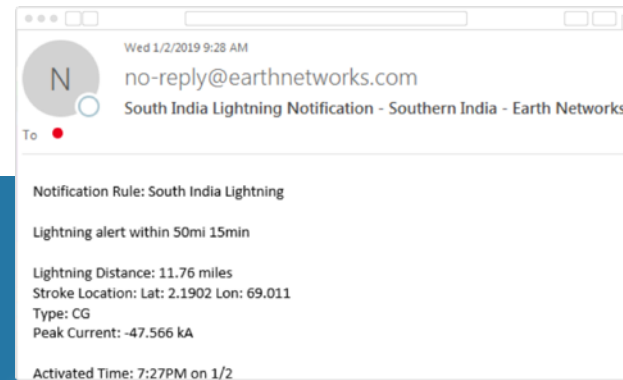
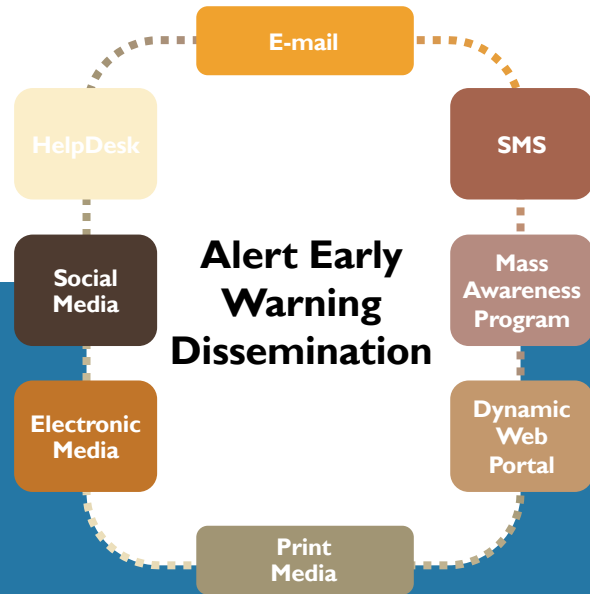


Earth Networks Sferic Siren installation in Odisha

- Storm-tracking and visualization software
- Lightning proximity alerting
- Dangerous Thunderstorm Alerting
- 14 Automated Lightning Warning Systems installed throughout villages
- 4,084,820 Lightning strikes detected in 2019
- 2,788 Dangerous Thunderstorm Alerts issued in 2019

**30% REDUCTION IN DEATHS
DUE TO LIGHTNING IN ODISHA**

ENABLING PUBLIC ALERTS AND WARNINGS IN ODISHA



Early Warning Communication:
WhatsApp group for “ALERT (Media)” and flash messages/SMS to mobile phone users and via email.

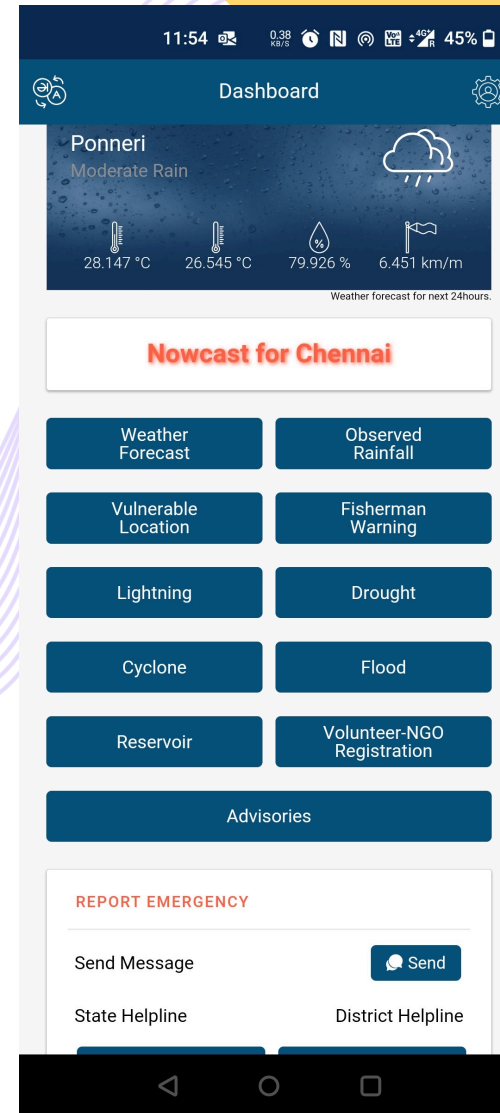
The State Emergency Operation Centre communication:
Via WhatsApp messaging system, phone calls, TVs, FM Radio BSNL Near Real Time Location Based Alert System.

Earth Networks Outdoor Alerting System:
Warning of lightning within predefined parameters using an audible horn.

Earth Network’s Pulse Rad Radar:
Identify approaching thunderstorms in regions not suited for adequate radar coverage.

Source: National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India

COLLABORATION WITH RIMES – ODISHA AND TAMIL NADU

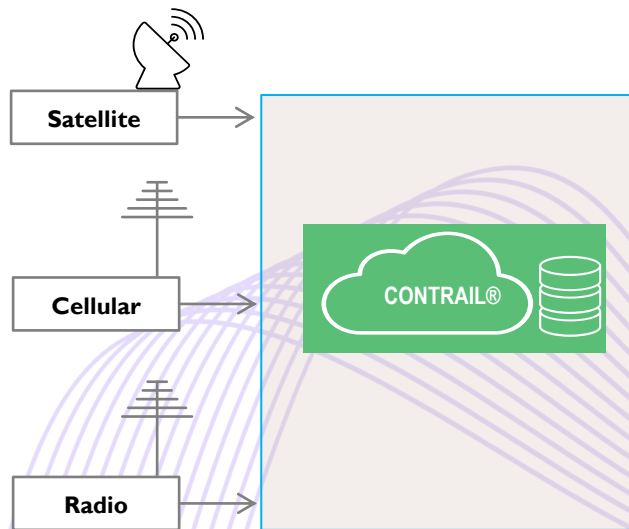
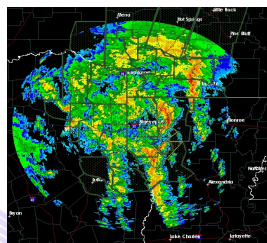
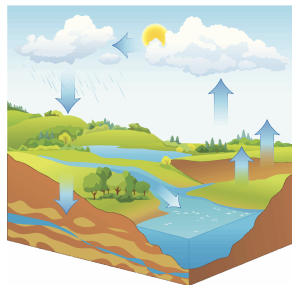
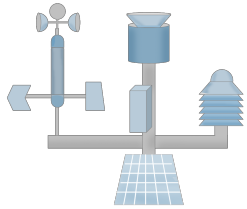


PERU - EARLY WARNING FLOOD SYSTEM

- Project Sponsor – **ARCC** - [Autoridad para la Reconstrucción con Cambios](#) (ARCC) is Peru's reconstruction agency, whose mission is to rebuild infrastructure in 13 regions in Peru affected by devastating El Niño floods of 2017. The severe weather events left 162 dead, 300,000+ homeless and destroyed schools, hospitals, roads and electrical and communications infrastructure.
 - Key Objectives of the project is to mitigate coastal flooding, Mudslides, flash floods and detect heavy rainfall
- Consortium
 - GCZ Ingenieros is an EPC contractor
 - Telegrafia a. s. is a Slovakian manufacturer and supplier of innovative products and solutions in the field of early warning and notification systems
 - Advanced Radar Company (ARC) is a leading provider of advanced weather radar and software solutions.
 - The Advanced Environmental Monitoring (AEM) family of companies offers reliable and innovative environmental monitoring and analysis solutions

EXAMPLE: PERU ARCHITECTURE NATIONAL DEPLOYMENT

REAL-TIME OBSERVED
SENSOR and RADAR
DATA



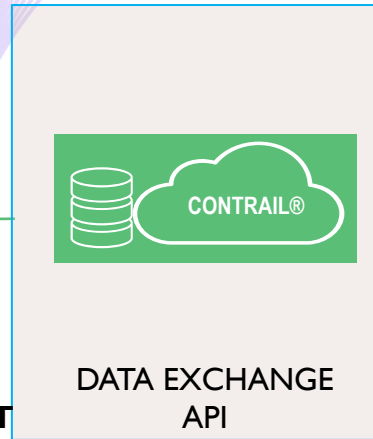
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DAM SAFETY PROGRAM
ADMINISTRATION



Modelling Framework
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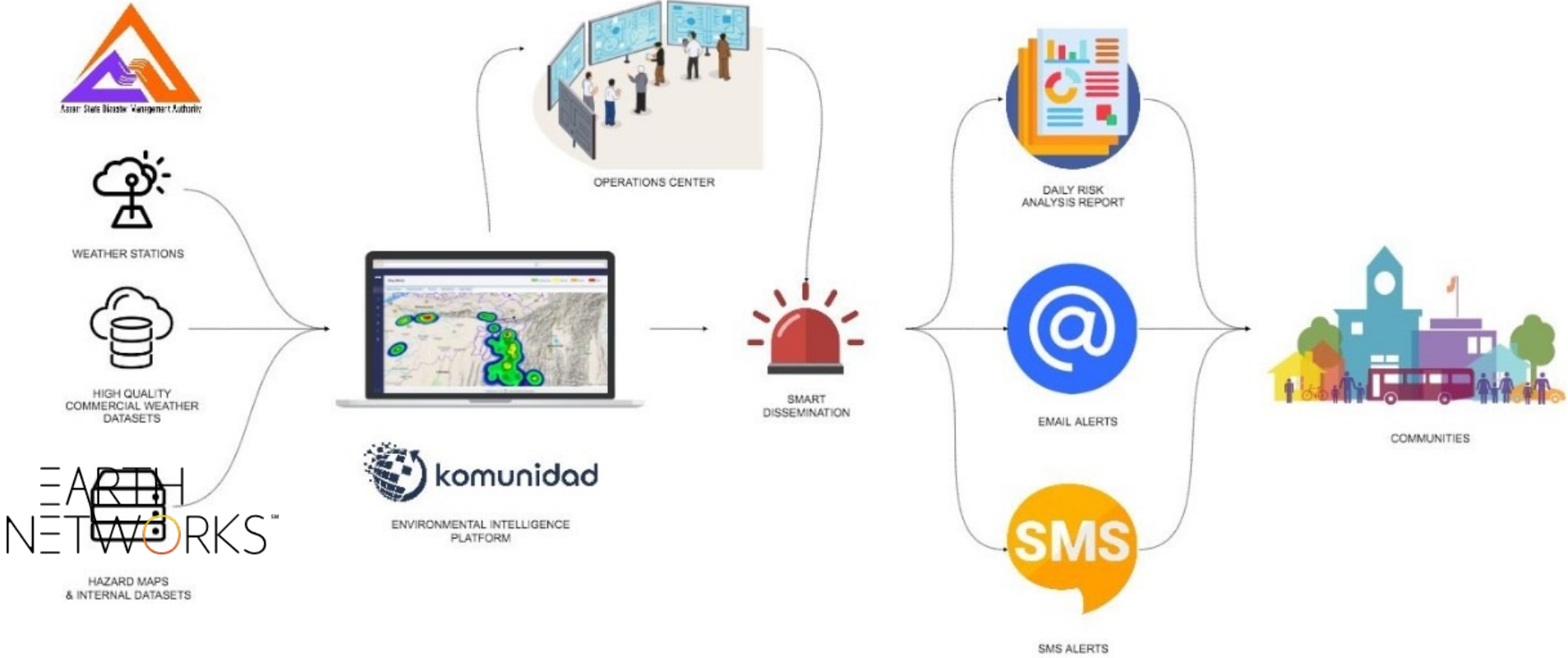
WATER MANAGEMENT
DECISIONS
ENTIRE NETWORK VIEWS, CENTRAL
MONITORING, AND ALERTING



INDIVIDUAL
USERS AND ADMINISTRATORS



ASSAM STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY – SEVERE WEATHER EARLY WARNING SYSTEM





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**PROGRAM TO SUPPORT SOUTH ASIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN
OPERATIONAL FORECASTING AND SERVICE DELIVERY**

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