

Risk Reduction in One Belt One Road Corridors

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The **Belt and Road Initiative** involves **3** Continent, **8** Regions, **65** Countries and **4.4 Billion** people







I Natural Hazard Risk

Background of Mountain Hazards in Mountain Region

Active tectonic movement in young mountains: frequent mega earthquakes and severe erosion generate abundant solid mass for formation of mountain hazards; High intensity rainfall and quick snow melting provide plenty of water for the formation of mountain hazards; Steep slope and high relative altitude is conductive energy condition to development of mountain hazards

Natural hazards in the land and maritime silk road area

Geophysical	Hydrological	Meteorological	Climatological
Earthquake	Flood	Storm	Drought
Landslide	Debris Flow	Extreme temperature	Glacial lake outburst
Volcanic activity	Wave action	Fog	Wildfire

Mountain Hazards: landslide, debris flow, flash flood, GLOF, snow avalanche

Earthquake, Tsunami, Flood, Landslide, Rock fall, Debris flow, Snow avalanche, Dammed lake, GLOF.... Dec 2004, Earthquake at Indian Ocean induced Tsunami, affecting 14 countries, 300,000 casualties



Debris flow- China



On August 8th, 2010, the giant debris flow killed over 2000 persons, caused 22,667 homeless, and induced enormous property losses.

Landslide- Afghanistan

May 2, 2014, Landslide at Afghanistan, 2700 casualties.



Flood- India





June 2013, North part of India suffered from flood and landslide, 6000 to 10000 casualties



Cities, towns and villages were ruined;

Highways, railways, bridges, pipelines dames, and other infrastructures as well as farmland were seriously destroyed.

Number of Natural Hazards Reported per Country/Income (1995-2015)



climato-meteorological disasters

- 1-25
 26-69
- 20-09
- 70-163 164-472

Due to the high population density at BRC, natural hazards' influence is more severer than it does to other countries.

Data collected from "International Disaster Database" and "United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction"

Trend of Disaster Occurrence (1960 to Future?)



Future trend is still an open question and threat have to be faced by all of us!

Economic Loss Due to Nature Hazards – World and BRC



Loss GDP



 Eastern Asian and Central and Eastern Europe suffered most, more than 64%





Trend of Economic Loss Due to Nature Hazards

TREND OF ECONOMIC DAMAGE



Economic loss from nature hazards increases exponentially from 1960 to 2015

Economic Loss Due to Nature Hazards – Eastern Asia

Economic Loss of Eastern Asia 250 2011 200 USD (10⁹) 150 1994-1995 2008 100 50 0 960 .962 .964

- 1994-1995 : Drought, Flood, Storm in China
- 2008: Wenchuan Earthquake in China

2011: Drought, Flood, Extreme Low Temperature in Southern China

Human Casualties Due to Nature Hazards – Among BRC



- The human casualties in BRC is above world average .
- For Southern and Eastern Asia, the average death per million people is 10 times more than the world average.

Human Casualties Due to Nature Hazards – 1960 to 2015



No. of absolute death

No. of death per million people

Low-income <1045	 High-income Upper-Middle-income Lower-Middle-income 	All in USD >12736 4125 to 12736 1045 to 4125
	 Lower-Middle-income Low-income 	1045 to 4125 <1045

Low-income group:

absolute deaths are low but deaths per million are high.

- Lower-middle-income group: Dominate group in terms of human casualties.
- Upper-middle-income group: absolute deaths are high but deaths per million are low.
 - High-income group:

deaths per million are high due to its population base.

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II Risk Assessment and Risk Management





Erosion rate:

$$E = \frac{\max[C_f \rho_s(\overline{u}^2 + \overline{v}^2), (\rho_s - \rho_f)g_z h_1 \tan(\delta)] - [c + \overline{\rho}g_z h(1 - \lambda_2) \tan(\phi_2)]}{\overline{\rho}\sqrt{\overline{u}^2 + \overline{v}^2}}$$

Z = H

flow

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substrate

bed

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Iverson, 2012

Consider different bed erosion due to different debris flows
 Modify the governing equation for the momentum exchange

 Modify the governing equation for the momentum exchange due to bed erosion Kinetic equation of debris flow by considering the bed erosion and aggradation

$$\frac{\partial(\overline{\rho}h)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\overline{\rho}h\overline{u}_1)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\overline{\rho}h\overline{v}_1)}{\partial y} - \overline{\rho}E = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial(\bar{\rho}h\bar{u}_{1})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\beta_{uu}\bar{\rho}h\bar{u}_{1}^{2})}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\beta_{uv}\bar{\rho}h\bar{u}_{1}\bar{v}_{1})}{\partial y} = \bar{\rho}g_{x}h - k\rho g_{z}h\frac{\partial(h + z_{b})}{\partial x} - (\tau_{1zx})_{b} + \rho u_{1b}E$$
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The calculation results are consistent with the actual debris accumulation both in shape and volume.



Impact forces due to fluid and solids

$$f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_{j,k} \phi_{j,k}(t) + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{j} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} d_{j,k} \psi_{j,k}(t)$$

Fluid impact Solid impact

 Dynamics response of structures to debris flows





Damage criterion of structures by debris flow





Countermeasures on slopes in tributary areas in main channels in deposit zones

Integrated techniques

Integrated hazards mitigation techniques were proposed based on occurrence laws and movement characteristics



Case Study:

Risk assessment for debris flow disaster in Wenchuan

Hazard assessment

	Zone No.	Velocity by	Averaged	Averaged
A CARDEN CONT		field study	velocity	error
	A: K1-K4	7.8-11.6m/s	8-12m/s	3%
	B: K4-K6	6.2-7.8m/s	6.2-8m/s	1.5%
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Velocity	D: K8-K10	4.1-6.6 m/s	3-7m/s	8%
	E: K10-K12	0-4.28 m/s	0-5m/s	16%
Momentum	Kinemati	c energy	L.See	

Vulnerability calculation



- Calculated amount of the destroyed buildings: 200m² per house
- Calculated economic loss for different structures
 Brick-concrete structure: 800yuan/m²
 Concrete structure: 1200yuan/m²

Strength	Inundation	Damaged by inundation	Partial structures	Main Structures	Completely damaged	Total Structures
<1	15	2	0	0	0	17
1-10	11	44	36	13	0	103
10-100	0	12	34	53	31	131
100-1000	0	0	1	24	58	83
>1000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	25	59	71	90	89	334

Verification of the Vulnerability Calculation



Calculated results based on the developed models are consistent to the field investigation

China Academy of Sciences conducted Karakoram Highway hazards reduction

Attadbad dammed lake in Pakistan

Height : 116m Reserved water : 0.5 billion m³ Threaten 0.5 million people and the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor

Risk analysis of the dammed lake



Make the lake emergency disposal program, save the investment of \$200 millionUS\$ compared to the traditional scheme

KKH

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向塔巴德村

2013 on May 23, Li Keqiang visited Pakistan released their joint statement pointed out "to accelerate the disposal of lake, promote the Karakoram Highway upgrading." In September 2012, Pakistani Prime Minister Raja Pervez Ashraf attended Lake section of highway reconstruction ceremony



China-Nepal-India Koshi River Research Project

(financially supported by Australia)







In the village of Bhirkot (more than 1000 people), courses of hazards prevention and training were conducted

- **D** Built the China-Nepal geographic research center
- Chinese Scientists led and built 11 international cooperation teams; members from ICIMOD, Tribhuvan University of Nepal, etc.
- Published a book "Resources environment and development of Koshi River Basin under climate change" ISBN978-75364-7921-0;

□ The consulting report (With friendly water resources development and water hazards management and control as the breakthrough point to promote the sustainable development of economy and society in the region of Himalaya River) has been accepted by China and Napal governments.

III Demand and Significance of Risk Reduction



Earthquake Risk along Silk Road Economic Belt and Maritime Silk Road





The risk of hazards will increase as the rising hazard and vulnerability level at this region in the future

2000

10000

- The risk will significantly increase since the frequent occurrence of large scale hazards due to global warming.
- The valley with increasing density of population and economy overlap with the high risk areas of mountain hazards, which make the hazardous situation worse.

----Population-GDP

36000

34000

32000

22000

20000



Variation of population and GDP of Bomi county

Year

The current change of temperature and precipitation in the Tibetan Plateau and the future trends under different climate models (Chen et al, 2015)

Demand and significance of risk reduction

- 1. Lack of background data on natural hazards, detail survey are required to establish hazard database along "The Belt and Road"
- 2. Major infrastructure going to face new challenge since earthquake activity and climate change have altered the behavior of natural hazards
- **3.** The characteristics of hazards in different countries have a significant difference; the un-unified practice and design standards need to be integrated and new effective mitigation technologies should be developed
- 4. The B&R area is vast, and hazards are scattered; it is urgent to develop the Space and Ground 3-dimensional real-time monitoring and early warning technology.
- 5. Most existing major projects and the planned economic corridors have not carried out a comprehensive hazard risk assessment.
- 6. Risk management and relief are closely related to different societal backgrounds, economic, cultural and religion; protocol needs to established for multi-nation relief coordination and information sharing

It is extremely important to carry out a comprehensive study on the risk of natural. The risk reduction can improve the resilience in developing counties, ensure the implementation of "The Belt and Road Initiative" and maintain the safety of the economic and cultural corridor.

IV International Research Program



Risk Analysis and Disaster Mitigation in the Belt and Road Economic Region: International Program for Risk Reduction

Research objectives

- Background survey technology and hazards database construction
- Evolution of natural hazards and their future trend
- Risk assessment at different spatial and temporal scales
- Monitoring and early warning technology (Spaceground integration)
- Key technologies of prevention and control for mega natural hazards
- Active mitigation policy and effective multi-national coordination protocol

Enhancement of risk resilience in developing countries





V What Can IRDR Do?

Co-design an international project for risk reduction
 Organize international conferences for science and

- technology exchange
- Approach for data sharing mechanism
- Improve interaction between scientists and policymakers to forward the effective multinational coordination protocol
- Develop community disaster management model
 Carry out training courses to enhance risk resilience in developing countries
- Set up some demonstrative projects for integrated risk management in poverty-stricken area
- Other actions?

Thank you for your attention!

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