

# Status of Seismic Risk Assessment in Cities of Nepal and Upcoming Initiatives



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Workshop on

Collaborative Research and  
Development Project for Disaster  
Mitigation in Earthquake Prone Areas in  
Asia

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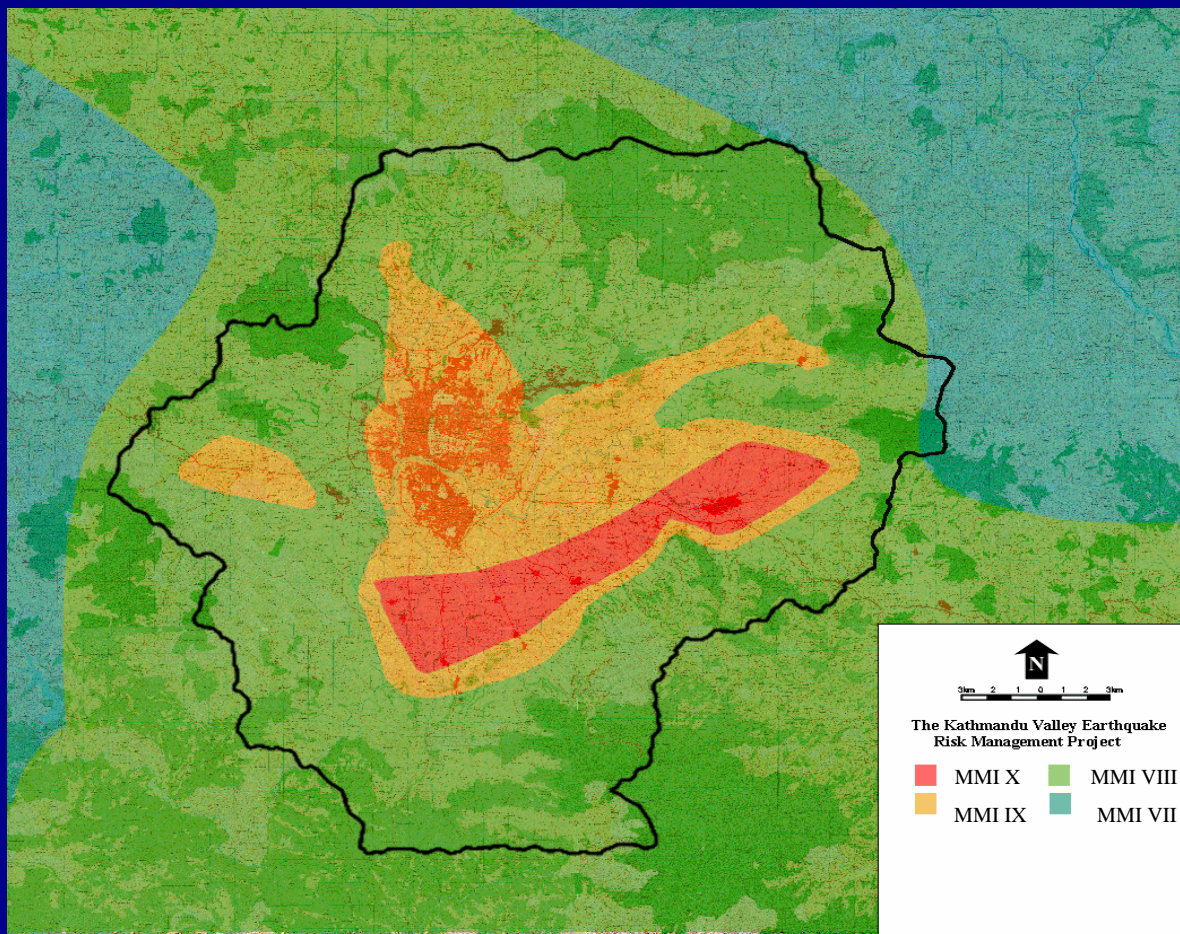
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27 September 2007



# Content: Sharing 5 Experiences of NSET in Risk Assessment (1997-2007)

1. KVERMP Experience (1997-2000)
2. SEDM (JICA) Experience (2001)
3. MERMP Experience (2002-2003)
4. SLARIM (ITC) Experience (2003-2006)
5. Ongoing Research with Universities  
Students (2007)
6. Near Future Programs (2007-)

# KVERMP Experience (1997-2000)



# Kathmandu Valley: Earthquake Risk



Increased Population



Haphazard Constructions

# Kathmandu Valley: Infrastructures



- Vulnerable Buildings
- Narrow Roads





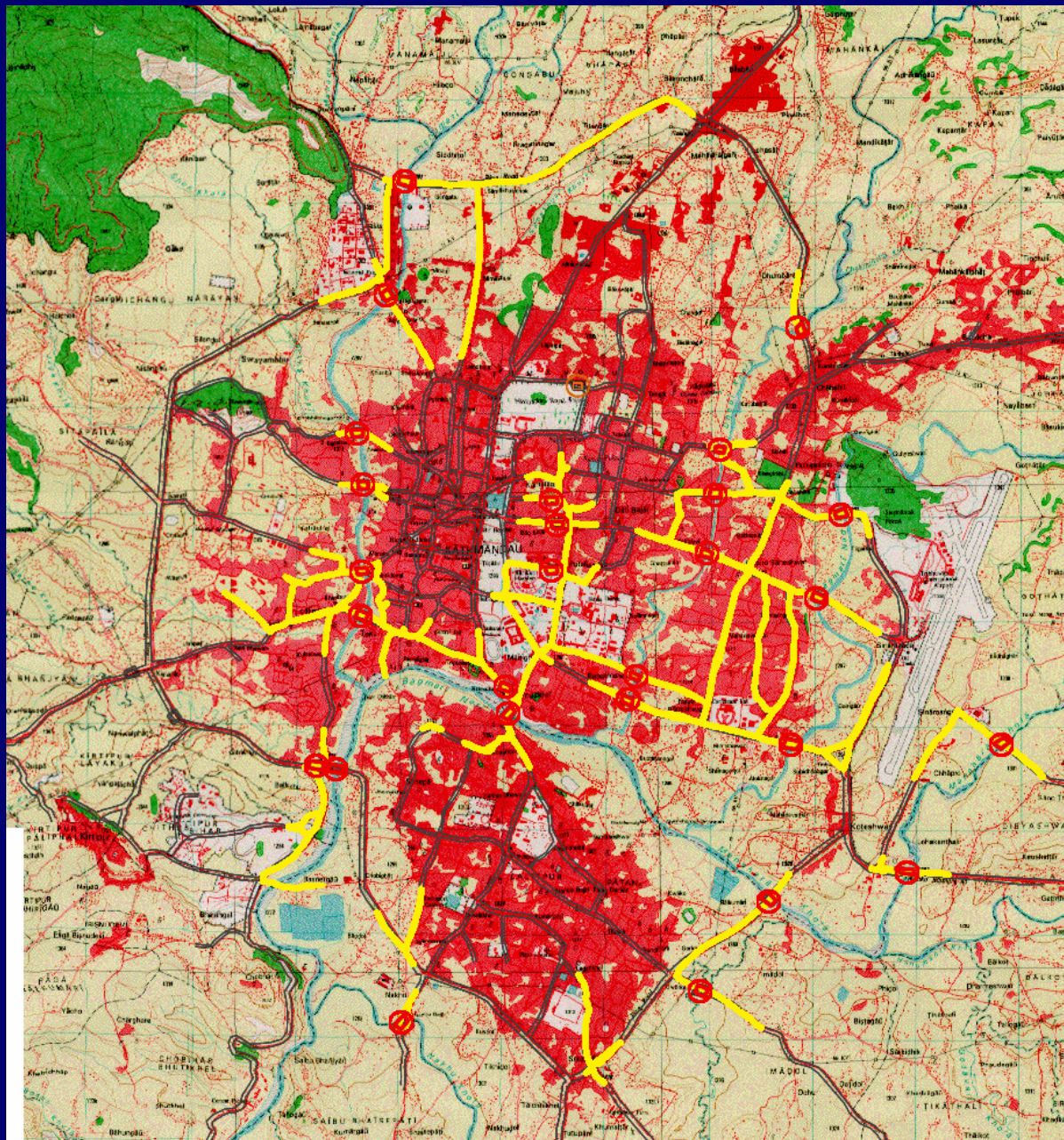
# Estimated Building Damage In Kathmandu Valley

(Based on Buildings Survey during UNDP Building Code Project)

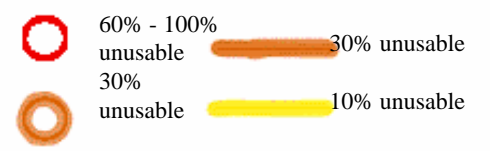
<b>Place</b>	<b>Building Stock Damaged (Beyond Repair)</b>
<b>Kathmandu</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Lalitpur</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Bhaktapur</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>Entire Valley</b>	<b>60%</b>

**ATC-13  
Methodology**

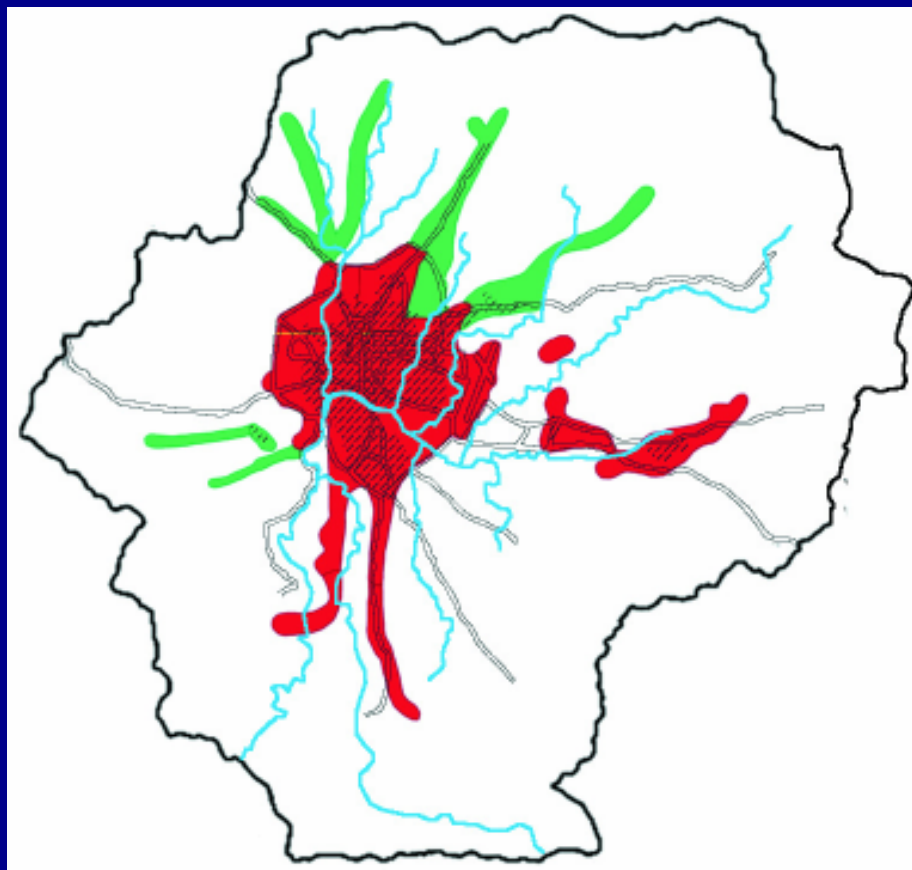
# Kathmandu, Lalitpur & Kirtipur Road & Bridges Damage Maps



## The Kathmandu Valley Earthquake Risk Management Project



ATC-25 Methodology



ATC-25 Methodology

+ Interpretation

## Water System Functionality: **One Week** after the Scenario Earthquake



<30% users served



30% to 60% users served



60% to 100% users served



100% users served





# Potential Impact due to scenario EQ in KV (KVERMP estimates for IX MMI)

## Impact

## Extent

Death

>40,000

Injuries

>95,000

Buildings destroyed/collapsed

>60%

Homeless population

>700,000

Bridges impassable

>50%

Road length damaged

>10%

Water supply pipes damaged

>95%

Telephone Exchange Buildings

most

Telephone lines

>60%

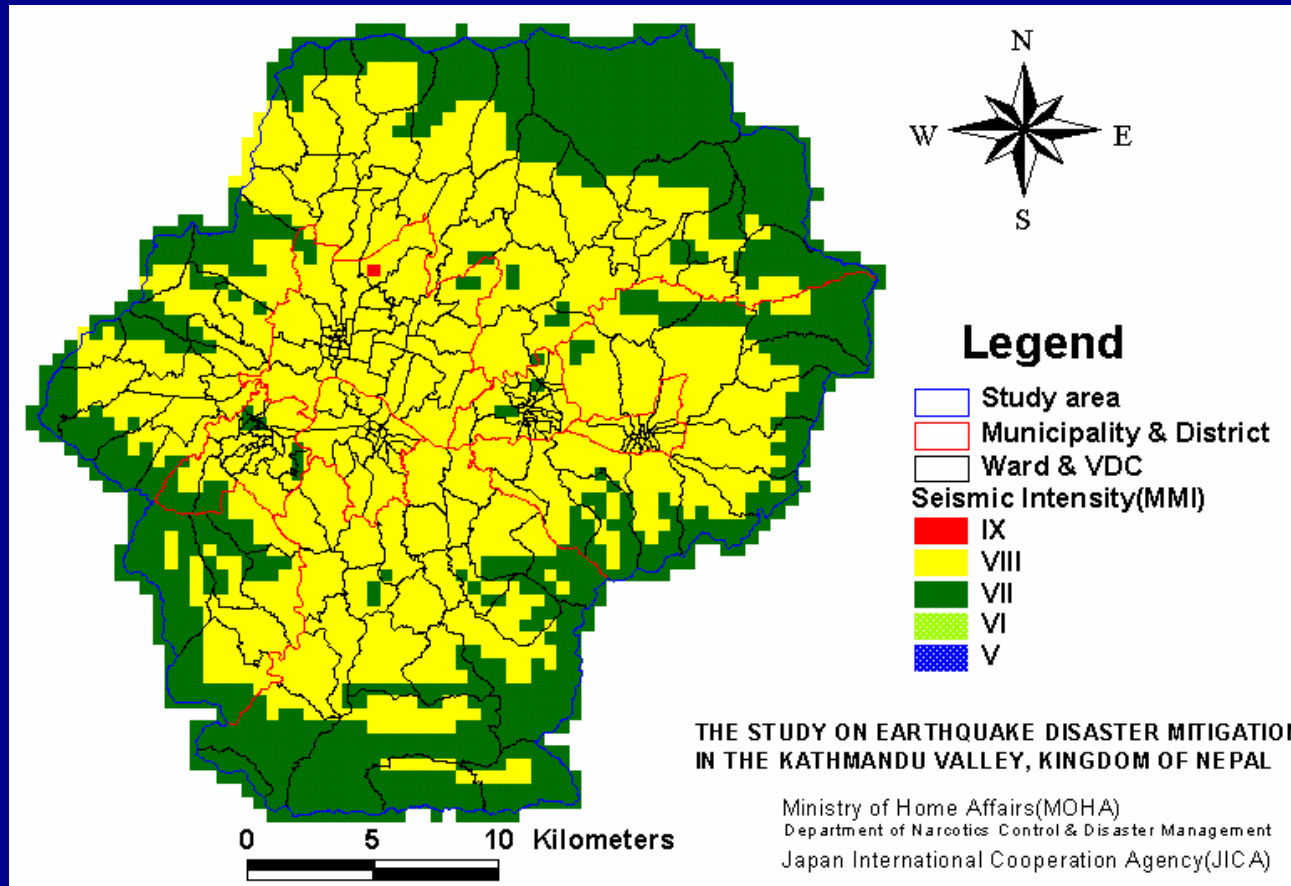
Electric substations

most

Electric lines

40%

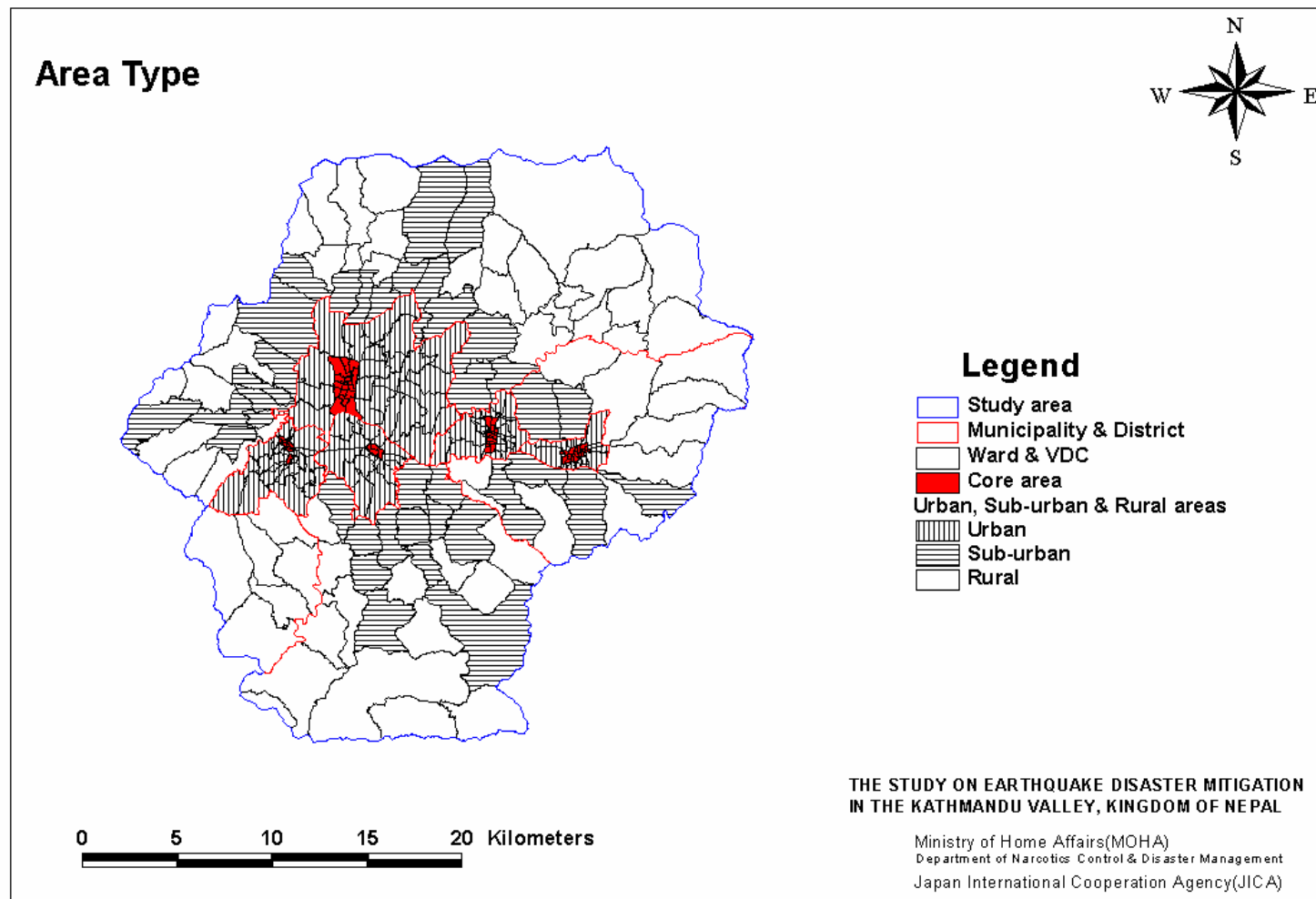
# SEDM (JICA Study) Experience (2001)



**Seismic Intensity Map I. Mid Nepal Earthquake**

**500m x 500m Grid**

# Building Inventory: Six Category of Area





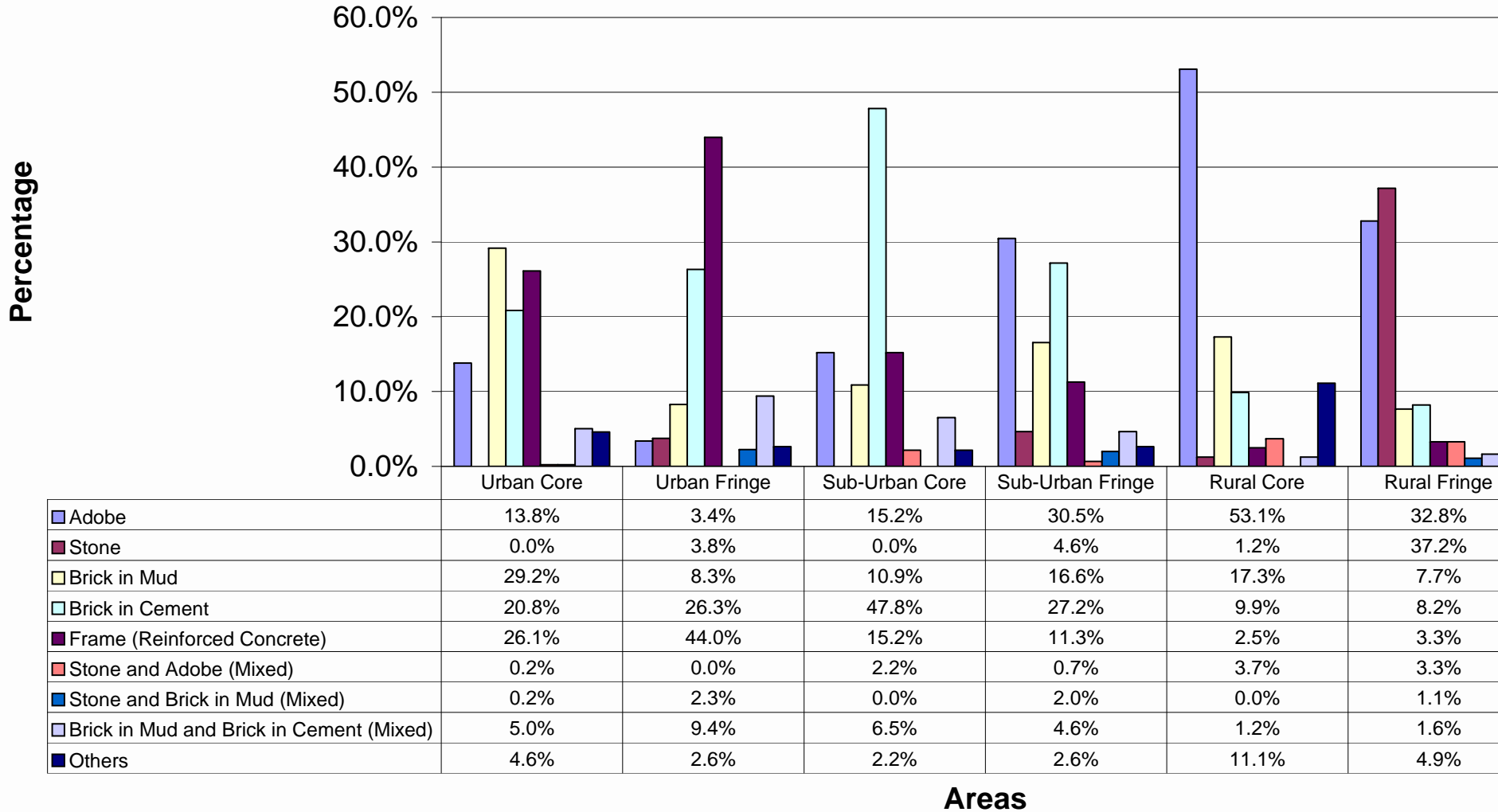
# Building Inventory: Detail Survey

No.	Building Sample Areas	Settlement Type		No. Of areas sampled	Total Number of samples
		Main Type	Sub-type		
1	Institutional	Urban		(Schools, Hospitals, College, Cinema)	32
2	Commercial	Urban		6	150
3	Industrial (Light Industry)	Urban		4	40
4	Residential	Urban	Urban Core	19	281
			Urban Fringe	17	219
		Suburban	Suburban Core	2	46
			Suburban Fringe	7	151
		Rural	Rural Core	3	81
			Rural Fringe	7	183
5	Total				1183

Source: (NSET 2001)

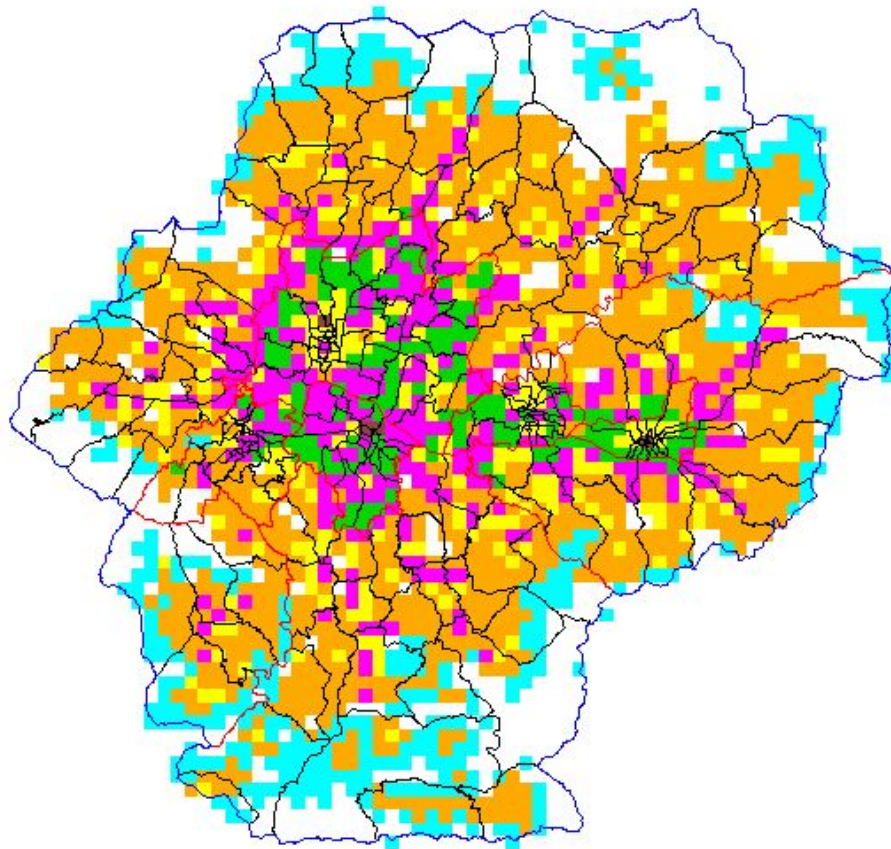
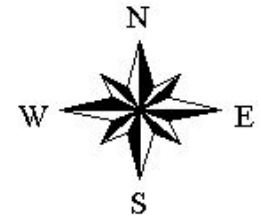
# Area wise Total Building Typology

Total Number of Sample Surveyed=1183



Areas

# Building distribution (Predominant)



- Legend**
- Study area
  - Municipality & District
  - Ward & VDC
- Predominant building type**
- Stone
  - Adobe
  - BM regular
  - BM well built
  - BC
  - RC
  - No Building
- (mesh size = 500m)

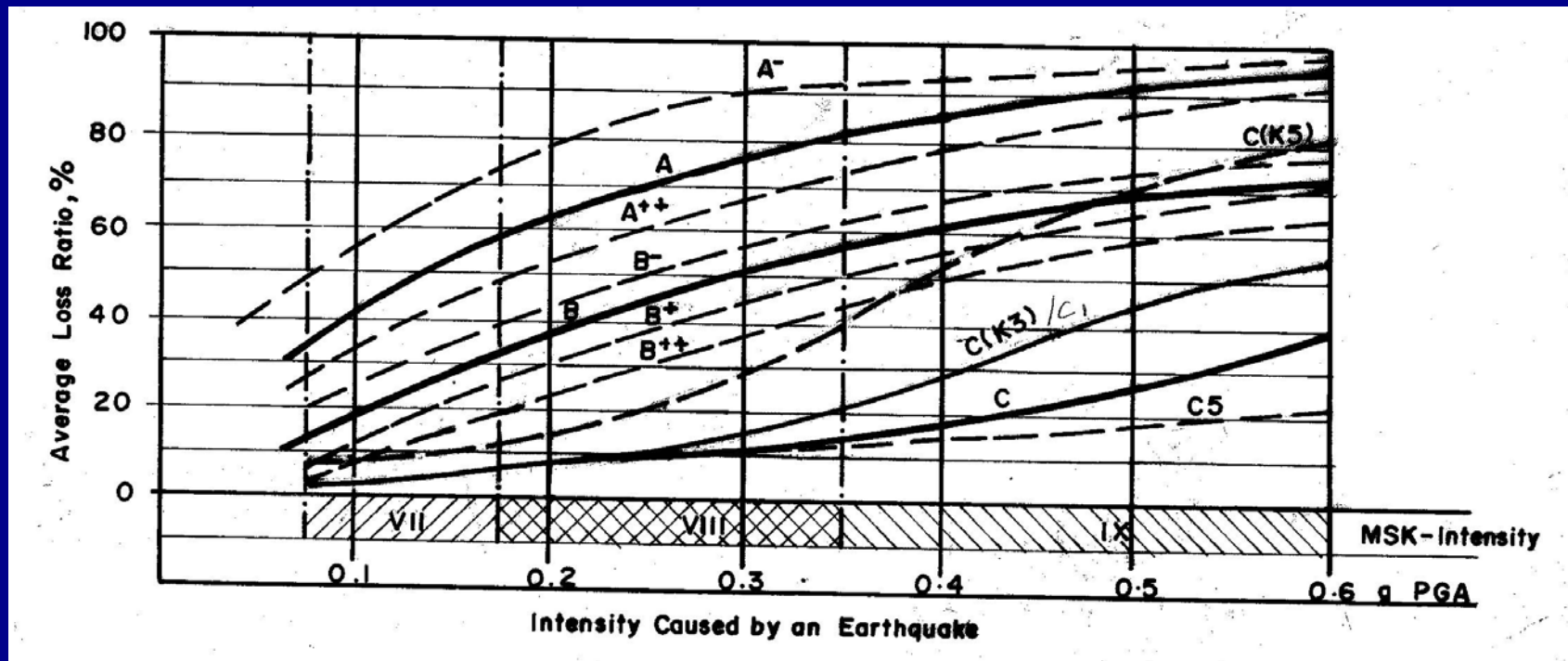


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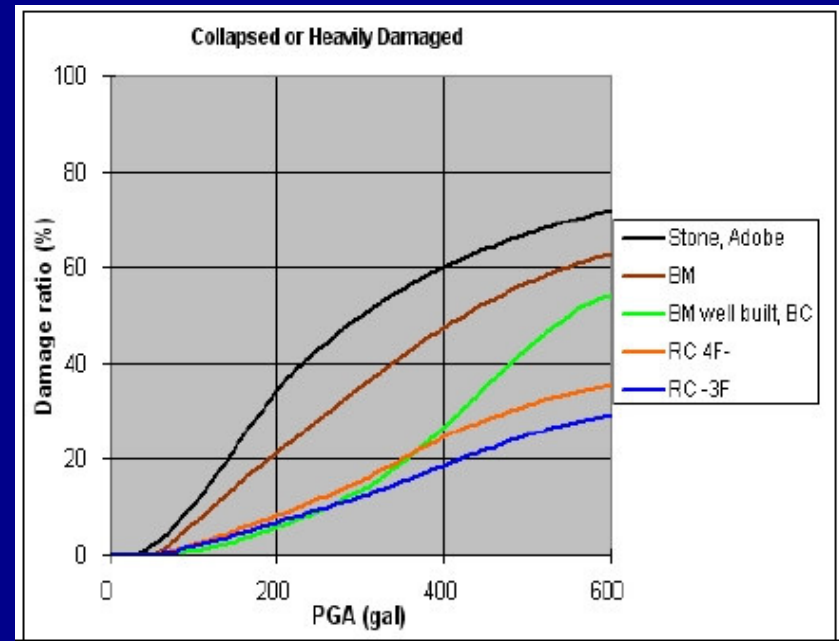
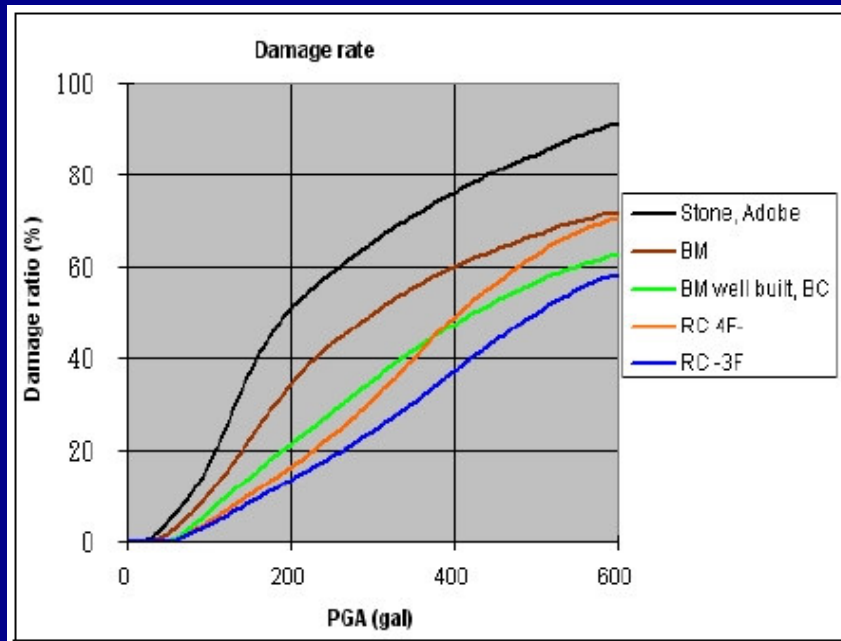
# Vulnerability Function



Nepal National Building Code

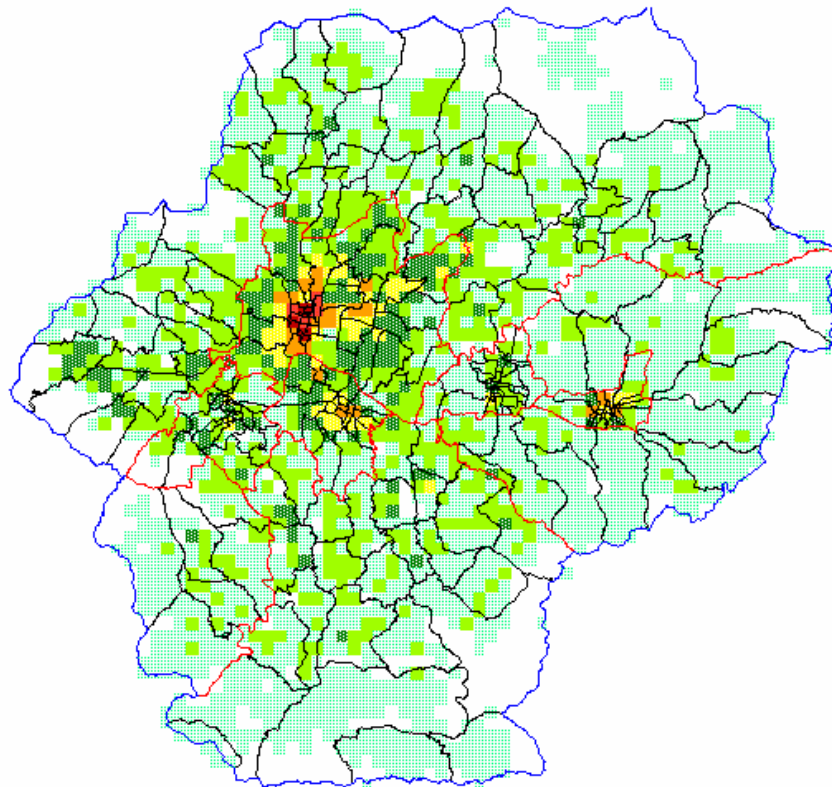
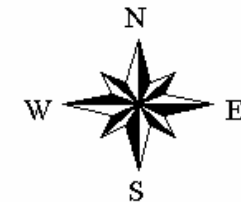


# Vulnerability Functions Modified using 1988 Eeq Damage Data





# Heavily Damaged Building Distribution (Mid Nepal Earthquake)



## Legend

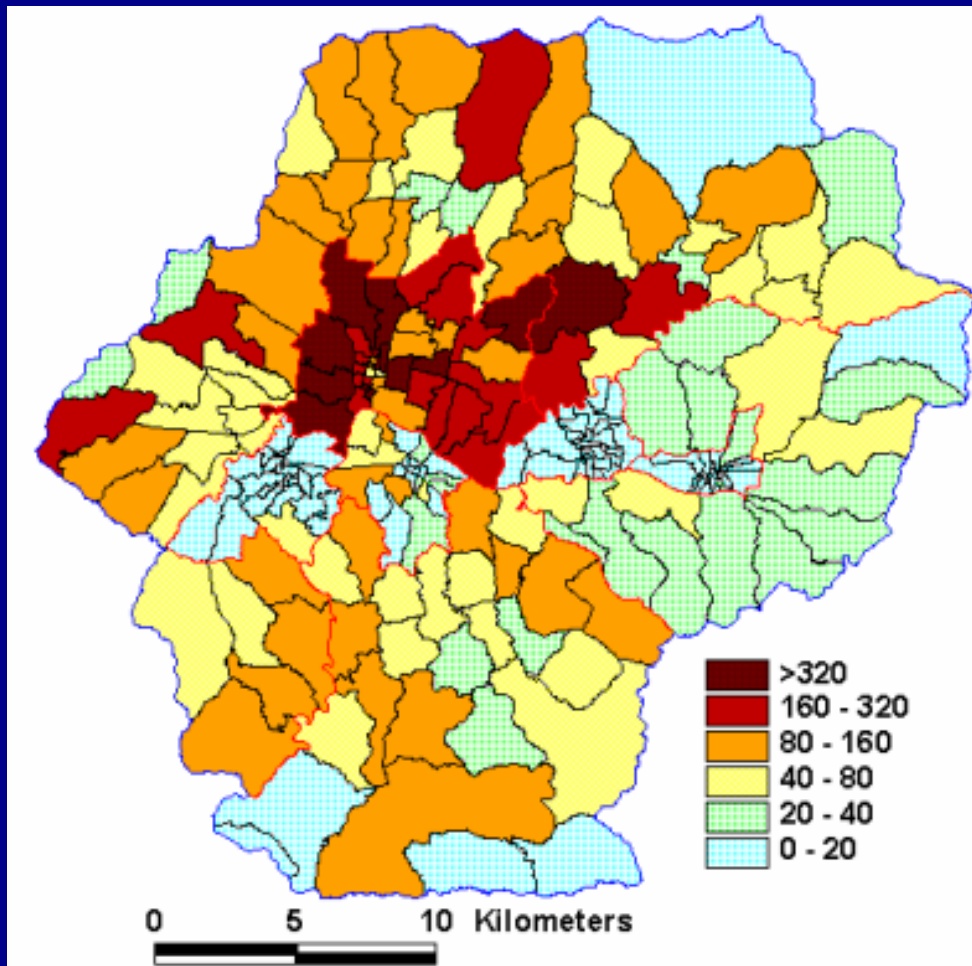
- Study area
  - Municipality & District
  - Ward & VDC
- Heavily Damaged Building**
- 800 - 1220
  - 400 - 800
  - 200 - 400
  - 100 - 200
  - 50 - 100
  - 20 - 50
  - 0 - 20
  - No Building



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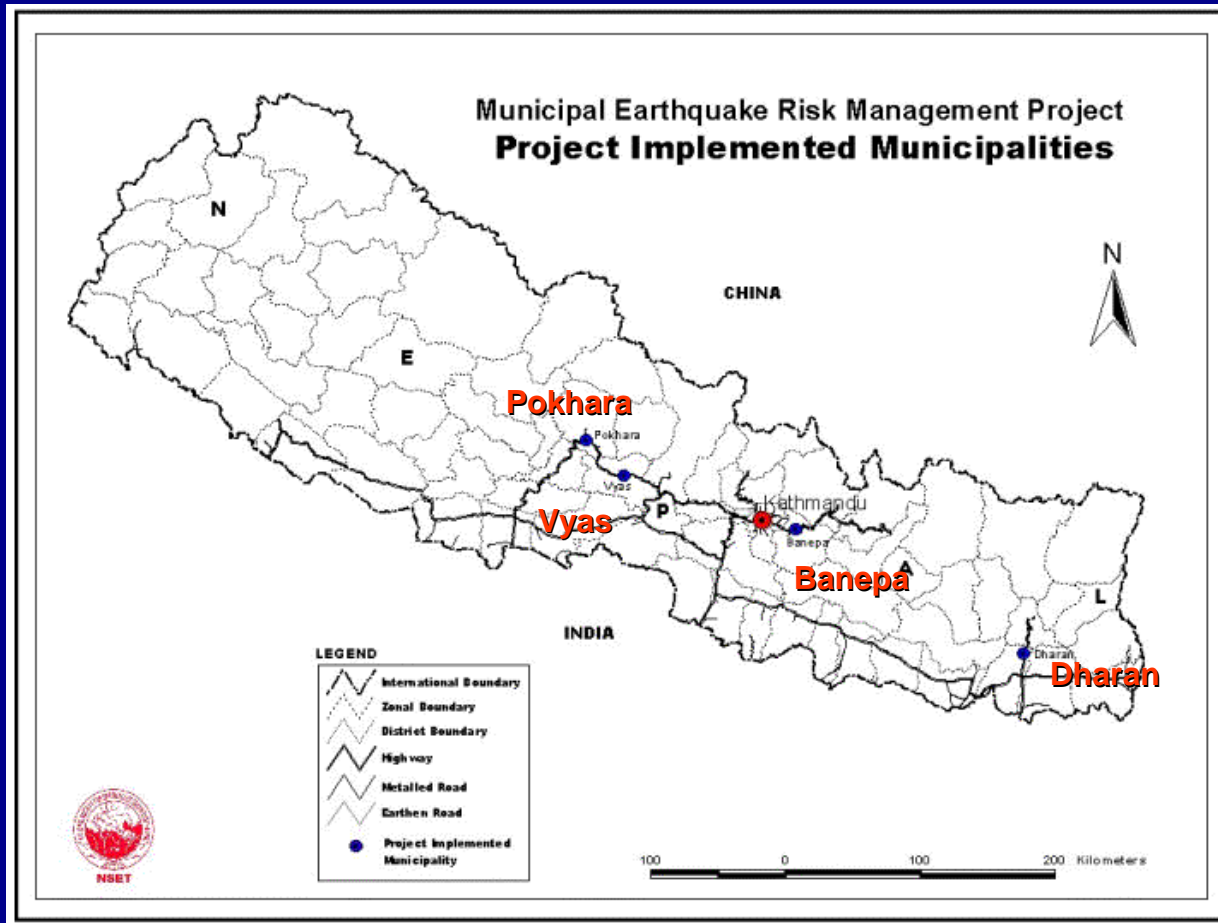
# SEDM: Casualties (Deaths)



Mid Nepal EQ

- Used 1988 Eq Data
- Verified by Coburn and Spence (1992)

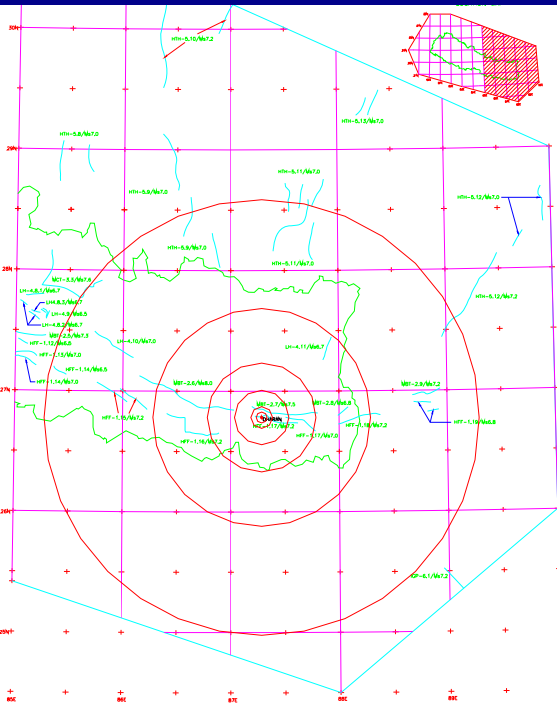
# MERMP Experience 2003



- Under ADPC/AUDMP
- Consolidation Phase of KVERMP



# Seismic Hazard in RADIUS



Read Me First

## Scenario Earthquake Information

Scenario

Historical Earthquake

User Defined Earthquake

Earthquake Information

Choose Scenario Earthquake

Earthquake Magnitude

Earthquake Depth (km)

EQ Occurance Time (hrs)

Attenuation Equation

Choose Attenuation Equation

Reference

Enter Reference MeshID No.

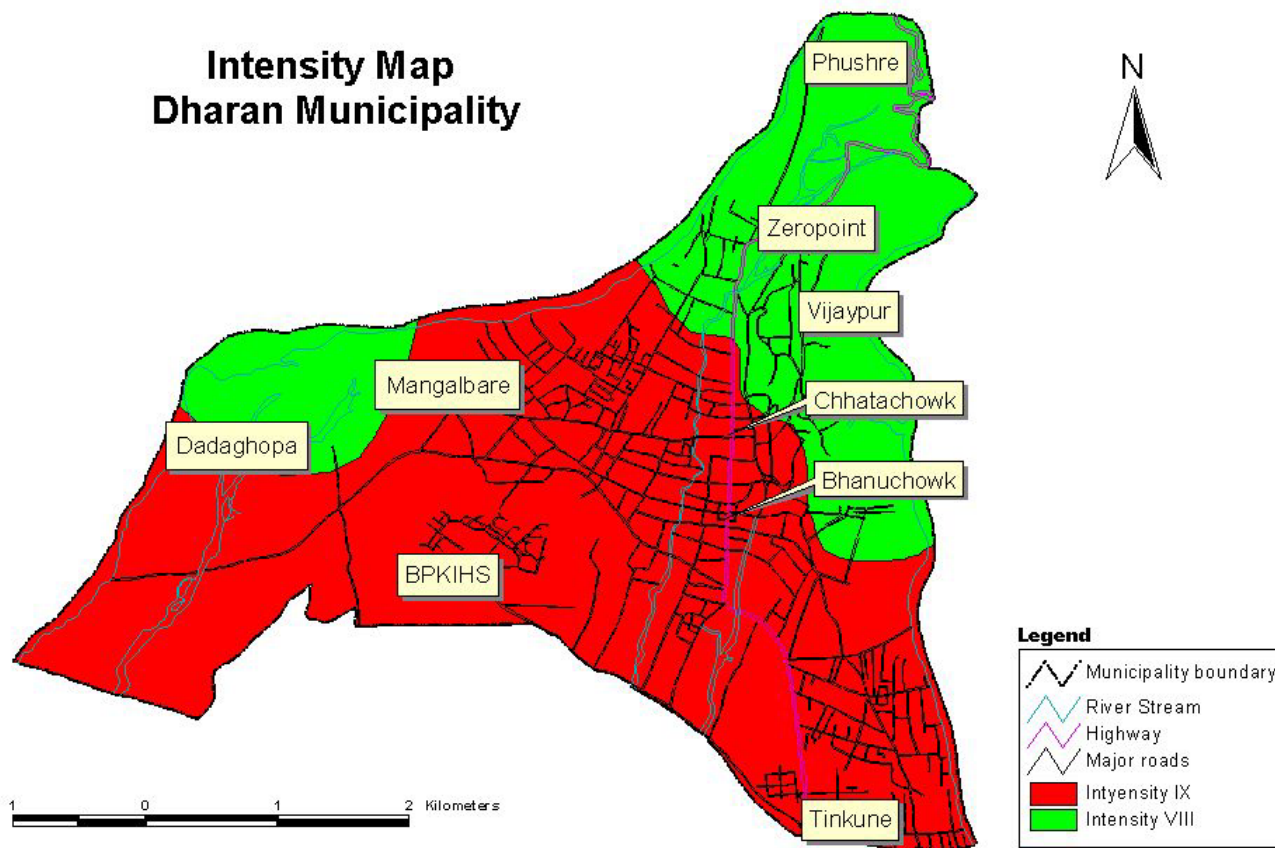
Earthquake Epicentral  
distance (km)

Choose EQ Direction  
relative from Ref. Mesh



# Earthquake Risk Assessment (Scenario Earthquake)

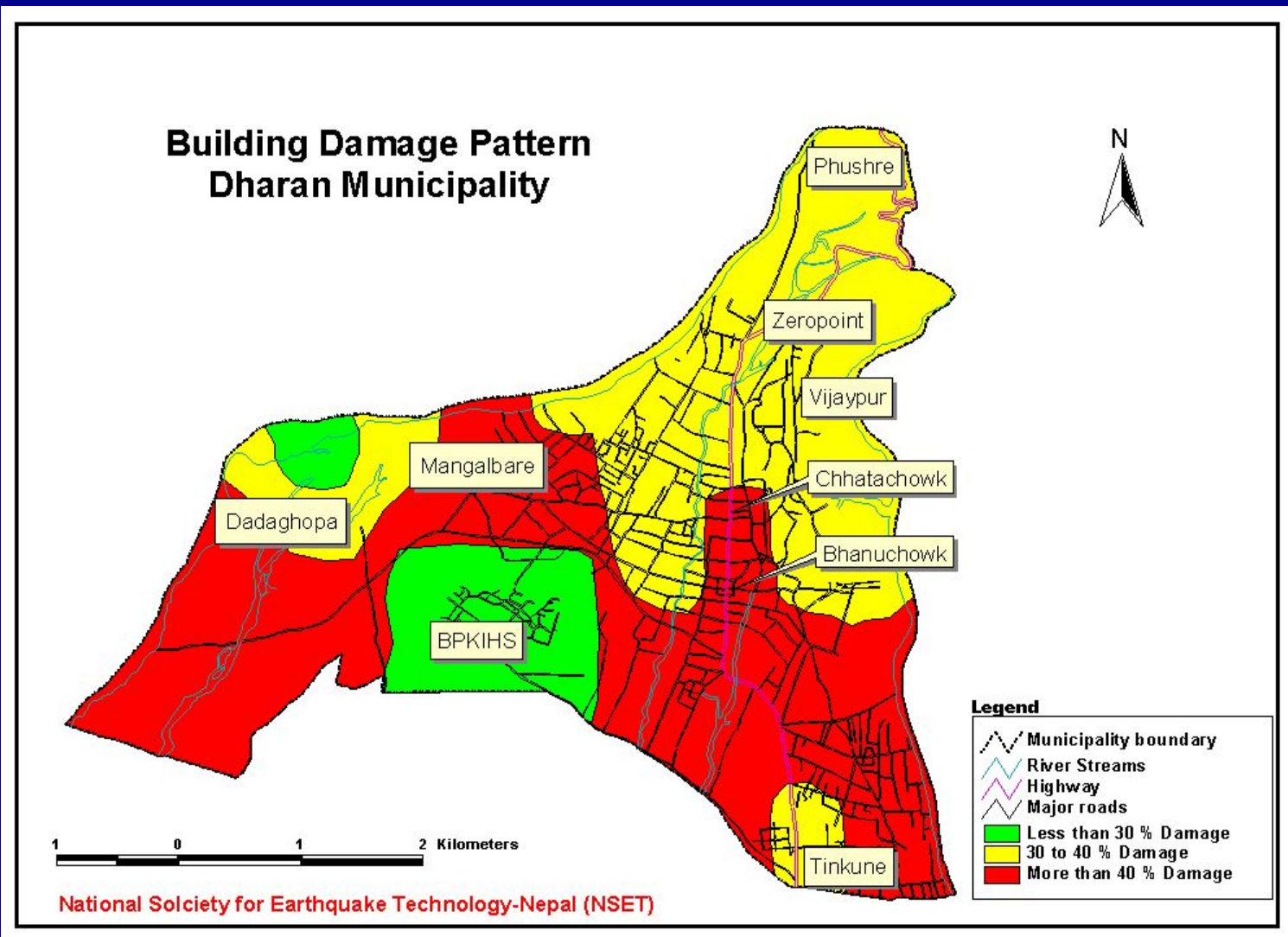
**Intensity Map  
Dharan Municipality**



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- **VIII:** Damage to masonry buildings.
- **IX:** Poorly built masonry structures collapse; all structures are damaged. Underground pipes broken.
- **X:** Most well-built masonry and frame structures and bridges are destroyed.

# Building Damage Estimation (for Scenario Earthquake)



**40 % of the Total Building Stock Could be Damaged**



# The Methodology

- **Risk Assessment** requires undertaking the following steps:
  - Collection and collation of available existing data
  - Kick-off meeting to introduce the project to the community
  - Hazard assessment
  - Vulnerability assessment
  - Damage estimation (theoretical)
  - Damage estimation (non-theoretical) using interviews
  - Preparation of the earthquake scenario
  - Implementation of the scenario workshop
  - Dissemination of the earthquake scenario

Process!



# SLARIM Experience: Use of Homogeneous Unit

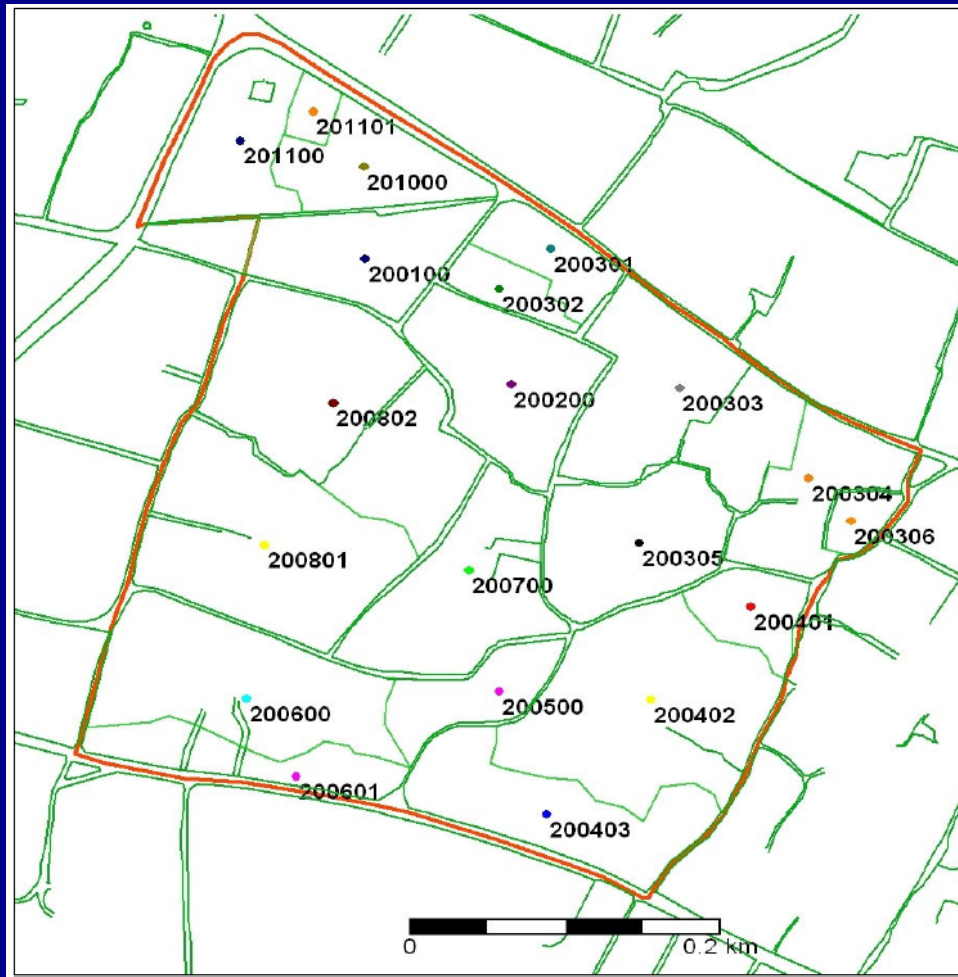
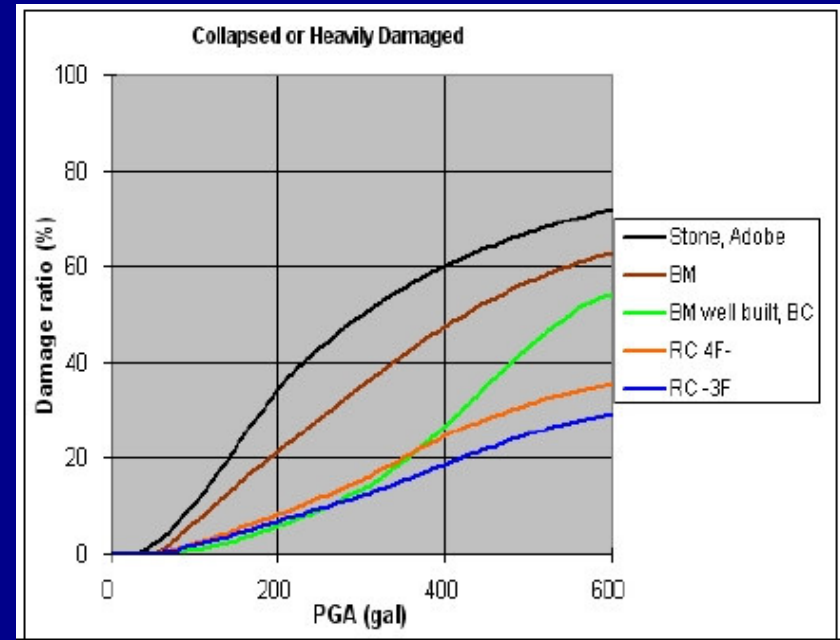
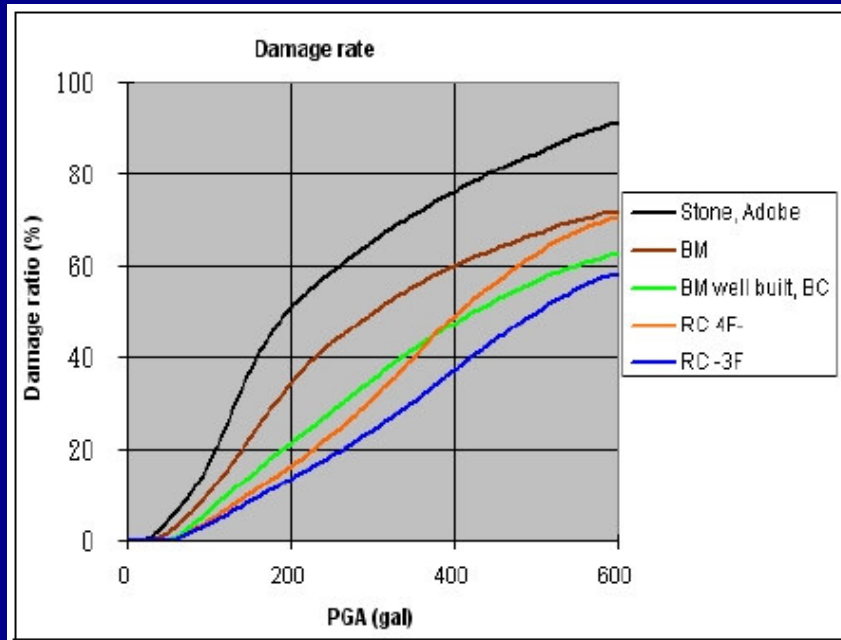


Figure 4.9: Homogeneous area digitising: an example from Ward no 20



# Vulnerability Functions Modified using 1988 Eq Damage Data

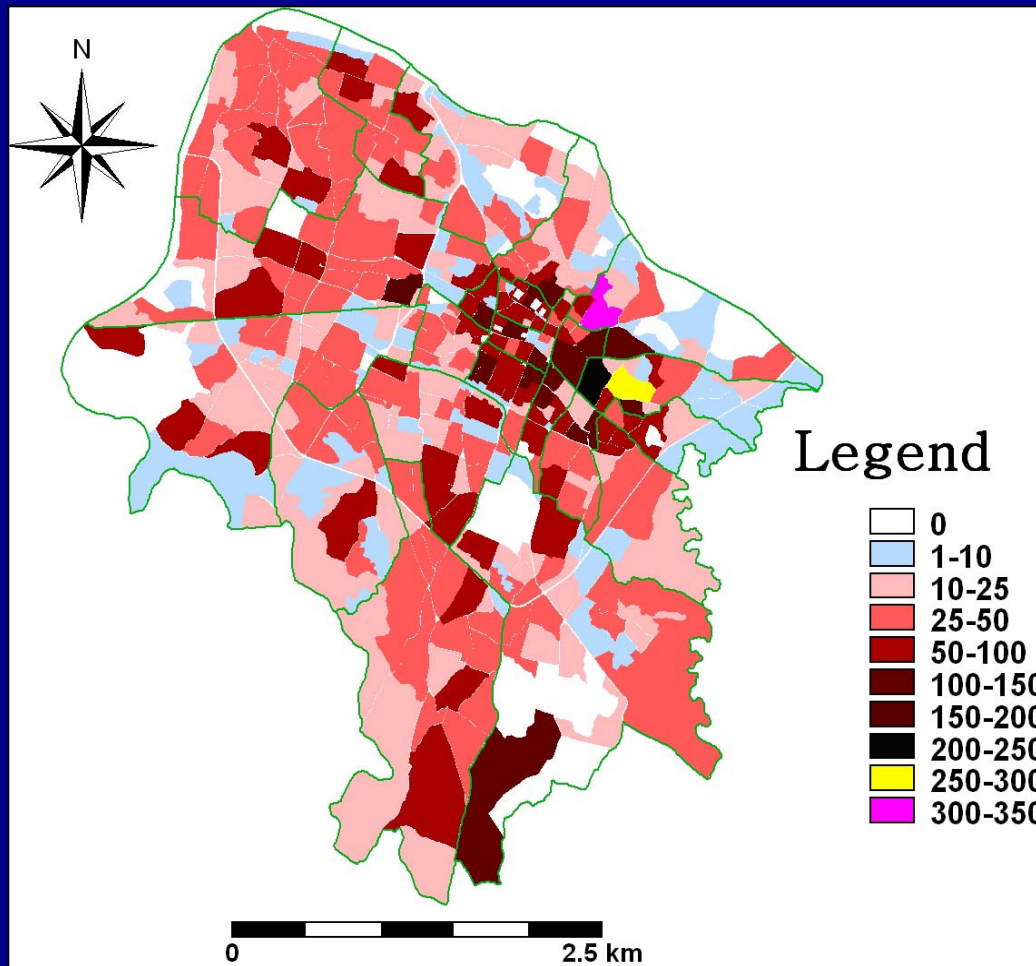


## Building type: R. C. Framed ( $\leq 3$ storied)

MMI	VI	VII	VIII	IX	
PGA (% g)	5-10	10-20	20-35	>35	
Damage Pattern (% of buildings)	Total Collapse	0-2	2-7	7-15	15-30
	Partial Damage	0-4	4-14	14-30	30-60

Source NSET Nepal

# Building Damage

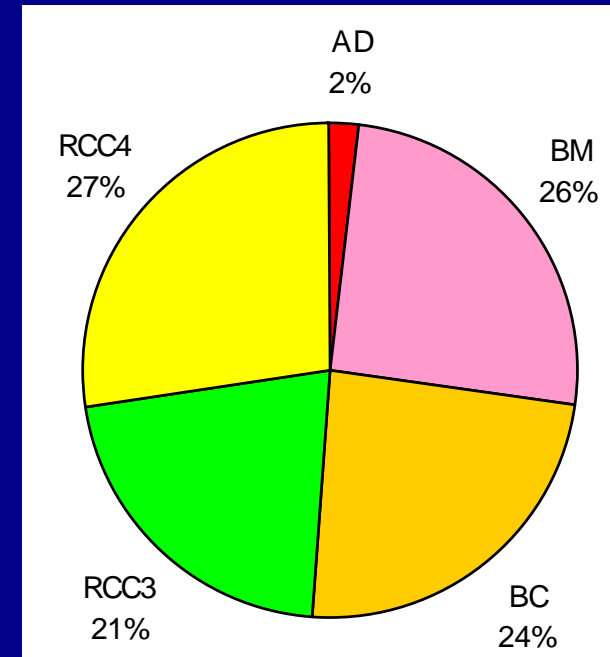
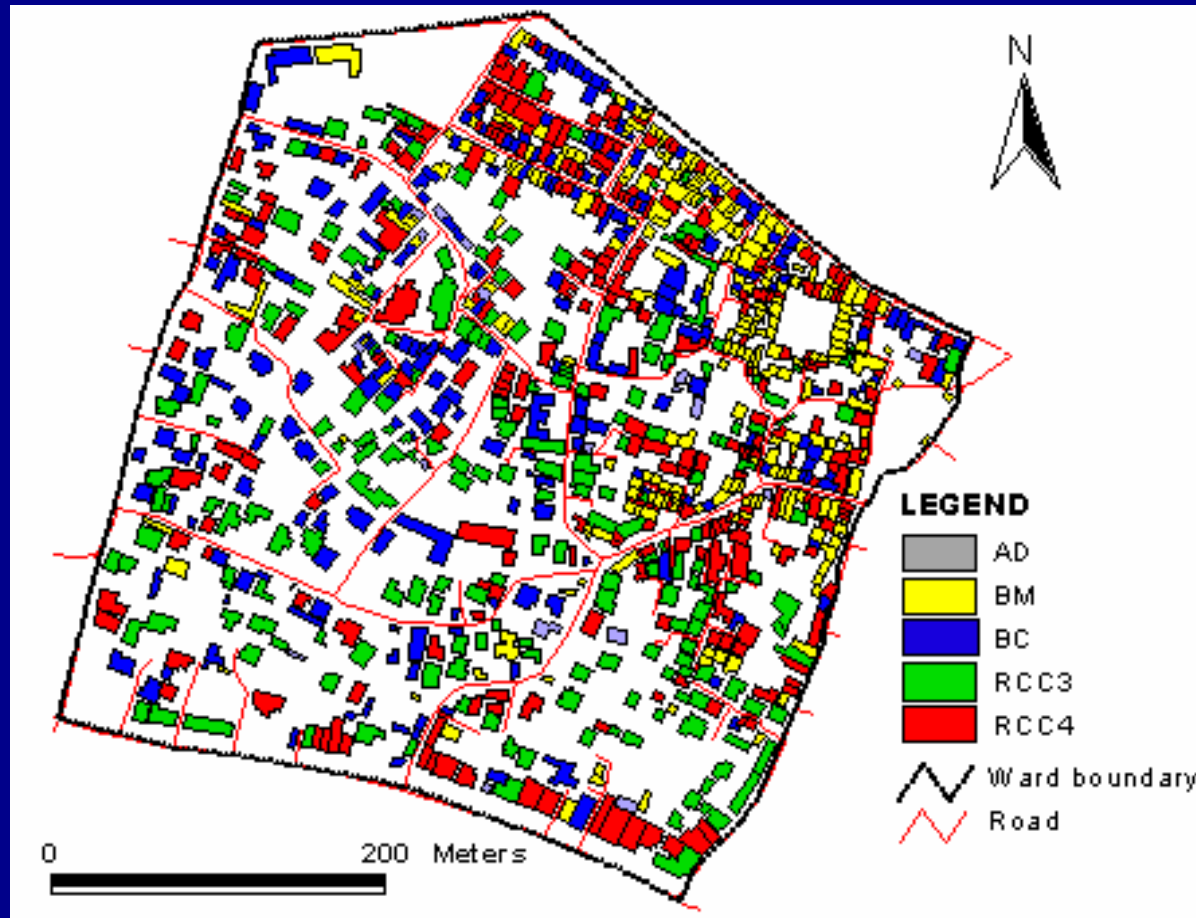


Building Damage:  
About 50%  
Total Number of  
Building Damage:  
20,000

(Source: Guragain, 2004)



# Selected Wards: Individual Buildings



Building Classification (Jimee, 2006)



# Selected Wards: Detail Building Parameters

Table 4-2: Comparison of building parameters

Building Parameters	Age	Wall cracks	Floor cracks	Dampness	Plinth band	Lintel band	Roof band	Gable band	Geometry	Soft storey	Partial floor	Total weight	Final weights
Age	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	0.061
Wall cracks	2	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	20	0.121
Floor cracks	2	1	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	19	0.115
Dampness	2	1	1	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	18	0.109
Plinth band	2	1	1	1	0	1	2	2	2	2	2	16	0.097
Lintel band	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	2	2	2	2	17	0.103
Roof band	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	2	2	15	0.091
Gable band	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	2	14	0.085
Geometry	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	13	0.079
Soft storey	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	12	0.073
Partial floor	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	11	0.067
Total weight												165	1.000

MMI		VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Damage Grades for Different Classes of Buildings	Weak	DG4	DG5	DG5	DG5	DG5
	Average	DG3	DG4	DG5	DG5	DG5
	Good	DG2	DG3	DG4	DG4	DG5

# Casualties due to intensity IX earthquake

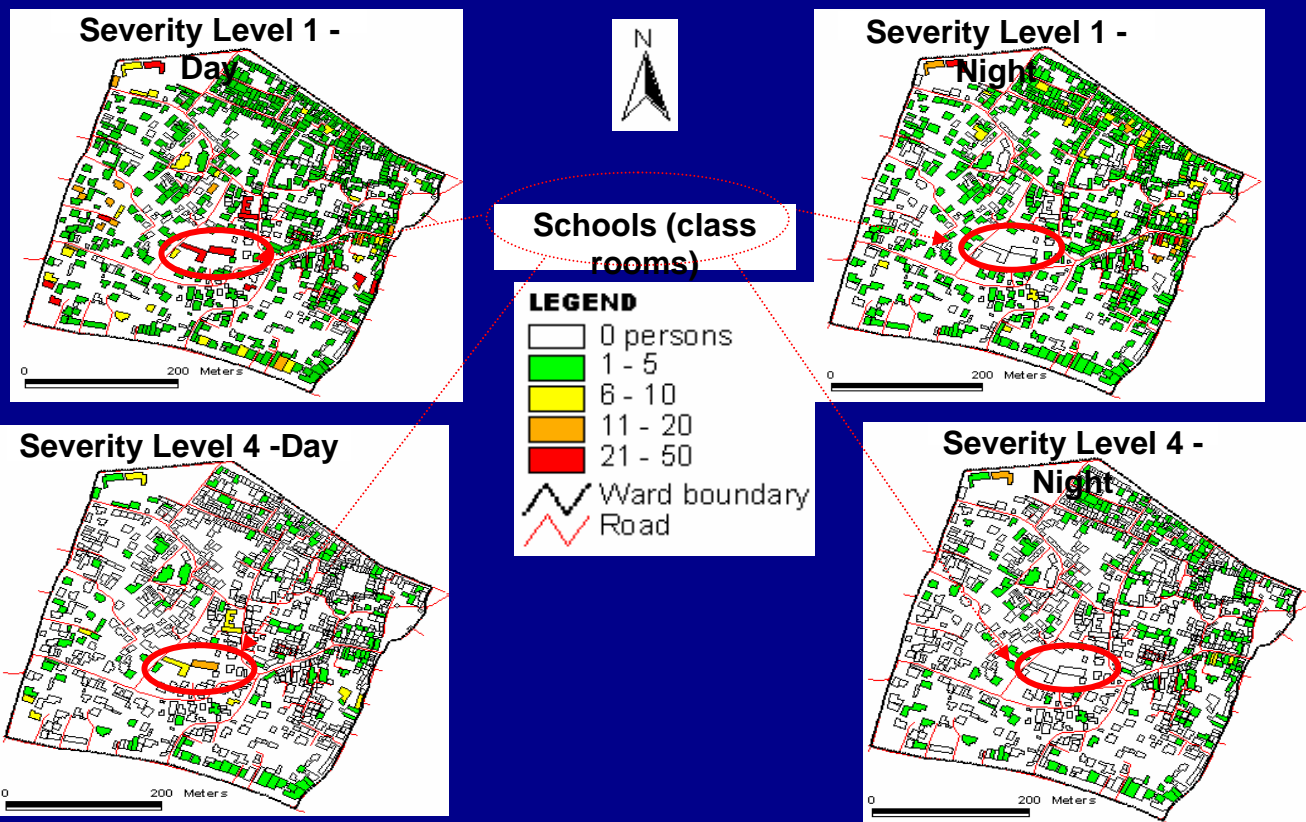


Table 5-1: Injury severity levels description

Building Damage Level	Injury Level (in %)			
	Severity 1	Severity 2	Severity 3	Severity 4
Injury Level (in %)				
Partial Damage	1	0.1	0.001	0.001
Complete Damage	40	20	5	10

Source: Islam, 2004



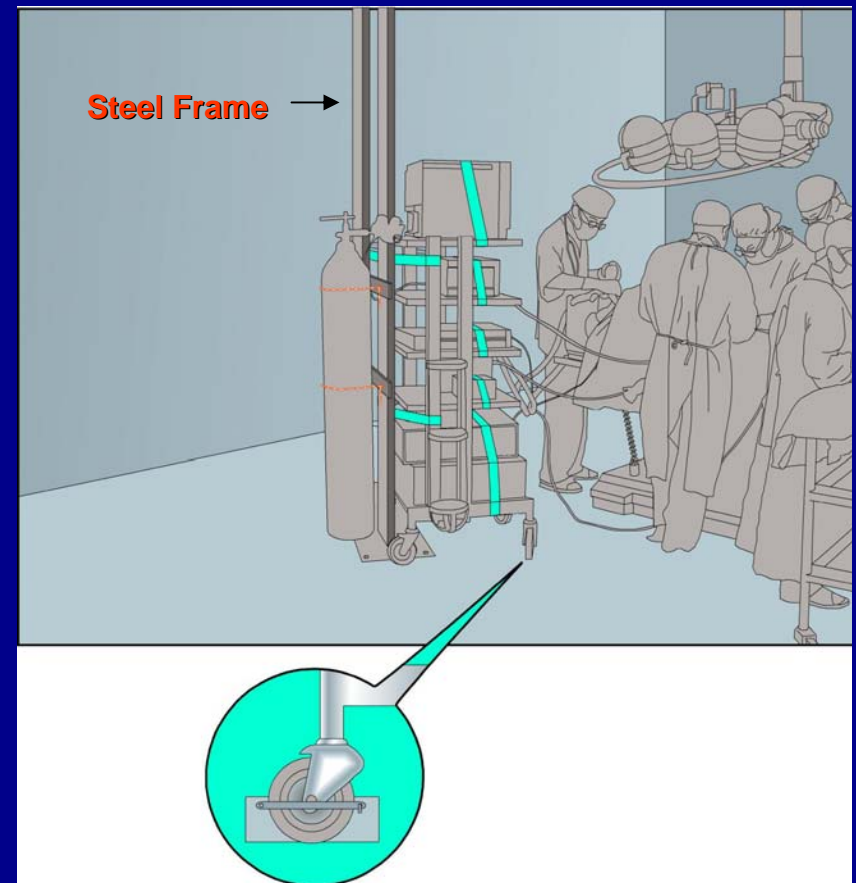
# Very Detail: Water during Emergency



Evacuation Places	People holding capacity	Water (Itrs/day )	Reserv e tanks for three days
Soil Course and Pashupati area	68,099	1,021,479	383
Birendra Intl. Conference Hall	14,286	214,286	80
Trally Park	8,893	133,393	50
Tudikhel (Khula Manch, Tudinkhel, Ratna park, Stadium, and Bhricuti Mandap area)	66,571	998,571	374
Exhibition Road area	4,957	74,350	28
Bhadrakali Military Camp area	10,809	162,141	61
Thapathali campus area	3,305	49,569	19
Chhauni Military area	28,055	420,822	158
National Trading Corporation	10,136	152,044	57
Balaju Buspark area	12,237	183,551	69
<b>Total</b>	<b>227,247</b>	<b>2,410,205</b>	<b>1270</b>

## Major Probable Evacuation Points in Kathmandu metropolitan City (KMC)

# Very Detail: Identification of Non-structural Vulnerability Reduction Options



**Improving Safety of Operation Theaters**





# Ongoing/Upcoming Programs

## **NSET With Universities**

- ▶ TU Master's Degree Students ( 3 Persons) working in Ilam at Individual Buildings Level
  - ▶ Buildings
  - ▶ Population
  - ▶ Infrastructure

## **GRIP**

- ▶ 2 Municipalities

## **MPPW + UNDP + IRP**

- ▶ 5 Municipalities



# Lessons

- ➡ RA can be done at different level/accuracy
- ➡ RA as a Powerful City Planning Tool
- ➡ RA has been very Important Awareness Tool
- ➡ Involvement from City/Community Level is Very Important for Proper Utilization of the Outcome

Thank You!