



*On the Job Training on*

*Tsunami Inundation Modelling and Mapping and Development of Tsunami Hazards Maps for  
Implementation of UNESCO-IOC Tsunami Ready Pilot Sites in Madagascar, Maldives, Seychelles and Sri Lanka  
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# **Tsunami Inundation Modelling and Mapping**

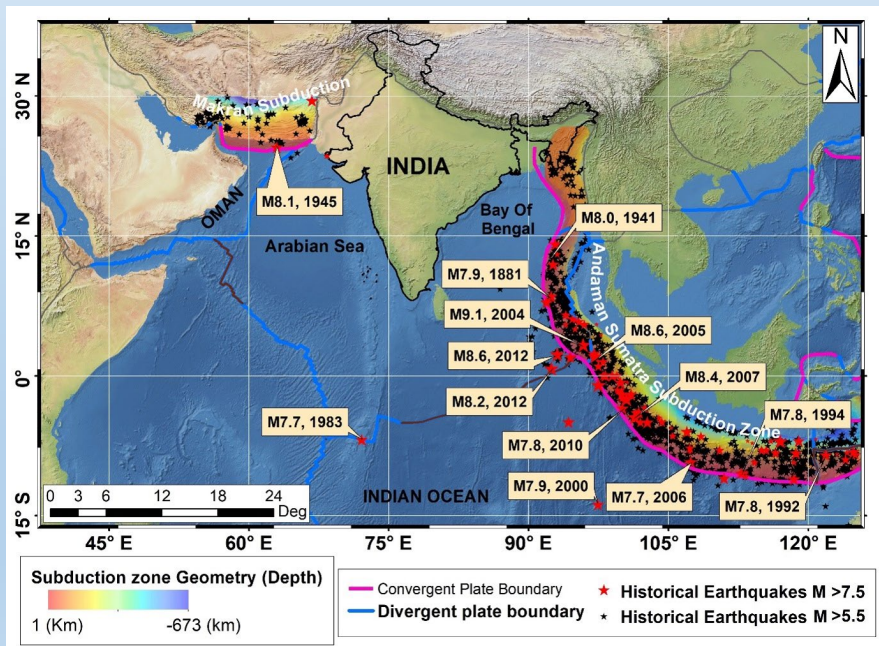
## ***TIMM #: 1.6 Review of pilot sites and available datasets***

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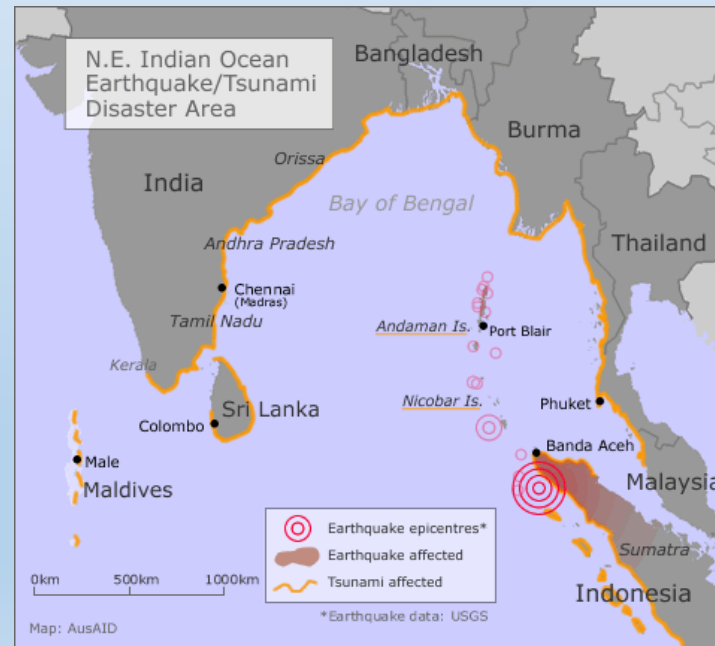
# Criteria for Selection of Pilot Sites

- Tsunami hazard exposure
- Population and infrastructure vulnerability
- Historical tsunami records
- Availability of topographic and bathymetric data
- Coastal geomorphology
- Accessibility of supporting datasets

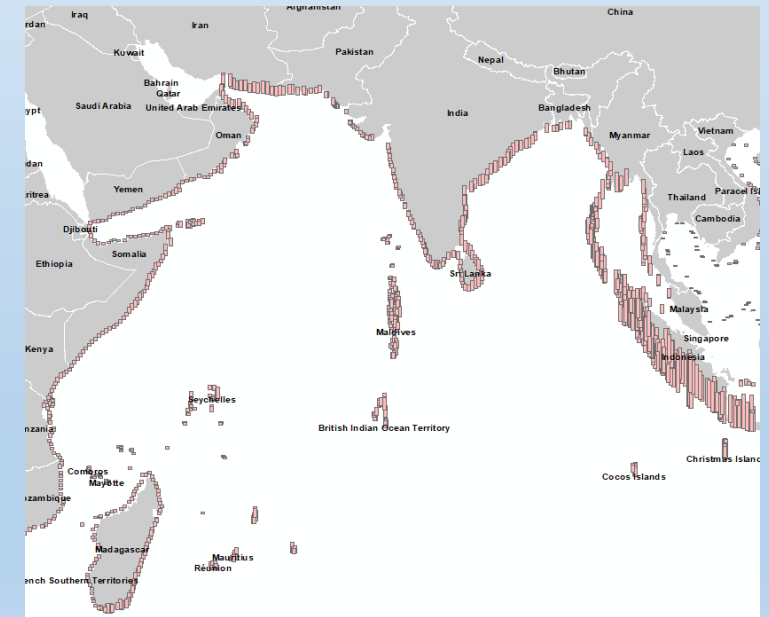
## History



## Scenario



## Probability



# Highly vulnerable Areas

(Based on the probabilistic tsunami amplitudes in 1000y recurrence)

## Maldives



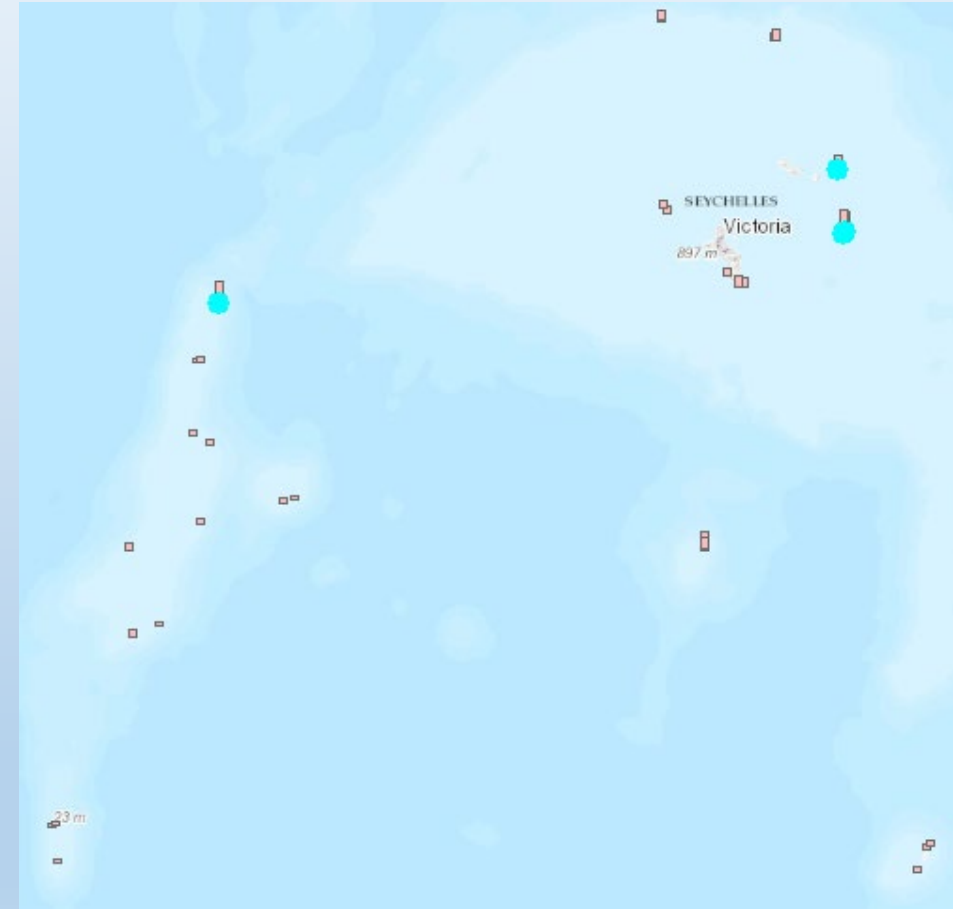
## Sri Lanka



## Madagascar



## Seychelles



# Key Datasets Required for Tsunami Inundation Mapping and sources

- **Digital Elevation Model (DEM) / Topography**
- **Bathymetry data**
- **Coastline and shoreline data**
- **Land use / land cover**
- **Administrative boundaries**
- **Tide and sea level data**
- **Historical tsunami data**
- **Satellite imagery**

## Bathymetric Data Sources

- **Multibeam bathymetry surveys**
- **Single beam surveys**
- **GEBCO bathymetry**
- **National hydrographic datasets**

Important aspects:

- **Depth resolution**
- **Nearshore coverage**
- **Data gaps**

## Satellite and Remote Sensing Data

- **Sentinel-2 imagery**
- **Landsat imagery**
- **High-resolution commercial imagery**

Used for:

- **coastline extraction**
- **land use mapping**
- **validation**

## Topographic Data Sources

- **LiDAR surveys**
- **SRTM DEM**
- **ASTER DEM**
- **National topographic datasets**
- **Drone-based surveys (if available)**

Key considerations:

- **Resolution**
- **Vertical accuracy**
- **Coverage**

## Supporting Data

- **Population data**
- **Critical infrastructure**
- **Road networks**
- **Evacuation routes**
- **Building footprints**

Purpose:

- **Risk and vulnerability analysis.**

# Bathymetry data, Sources and merging

## Bathymetry

Method of Generation of bathymetry data

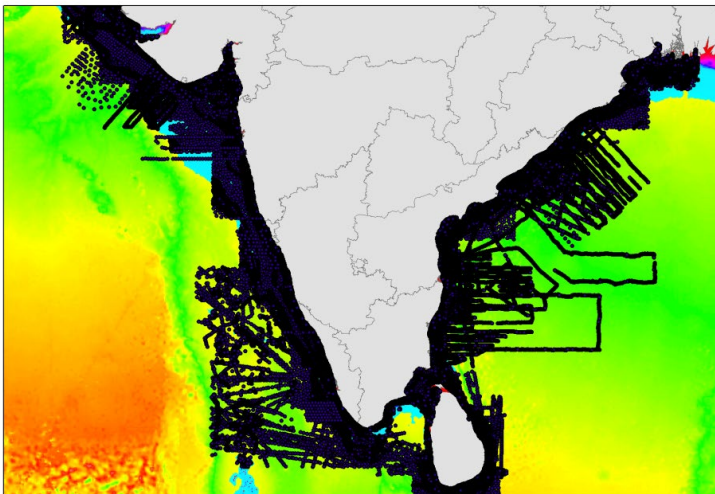
Survey from sea

- Single Beam Echosounder (SBE)
- Multibeam echosounders (MBE)
- Sounding

Satellite:

- Optical characteristics and inhering water depth
- Wave characteristics
- Bathymetric LIDAR

Example: NHO Charts, SBE, MBE from ship for deep areas, coastal Jetski fitted with SBE and GPS



## Topography

Method of Generation of Topographic data

Survey from sea

- GPS, RTK, Levelling, etc
- 360 degree street mapping

**Remote Sensing** (Photogrammetry and LiDAR mapping)

- Drones
- Aerial

**Satellite:**

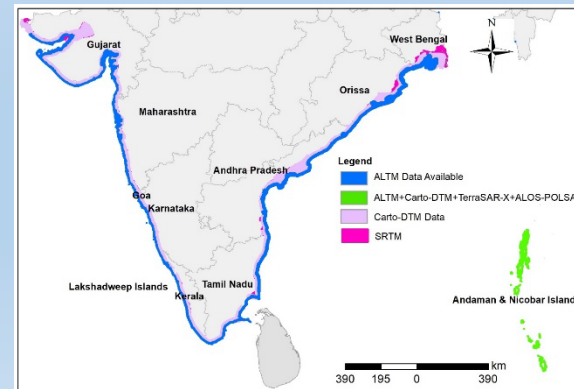
- Optical: Satellite Stereo
- Microwave: Interferometric

### Examples of Topographic Mapping Techniques

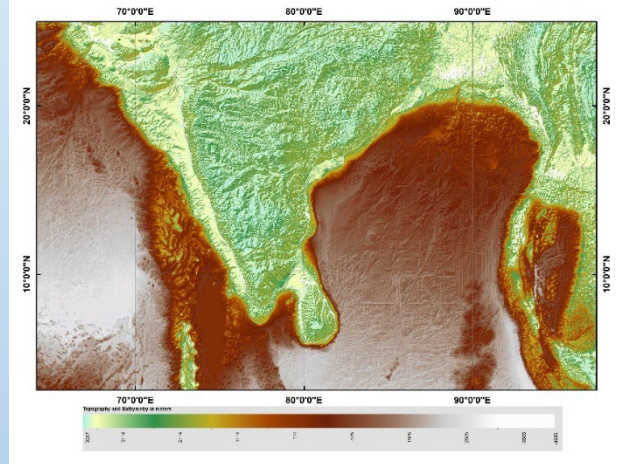
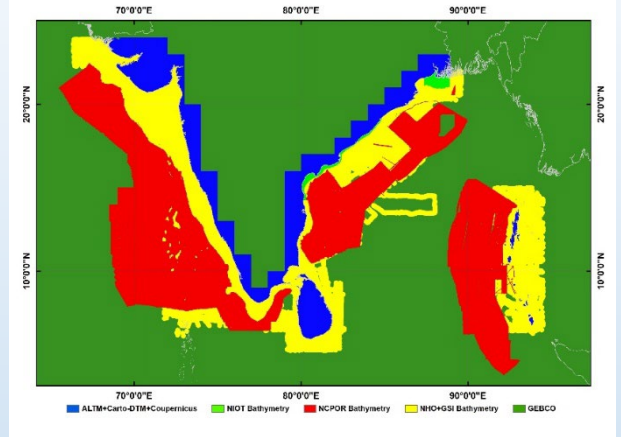


Topography data sources

- ALTM
- Carto-DTM
- RTK



## Merging



Challenge	Details
Different Resolutions	Land data often finer than ocean data
Data Voids	Deep ocean areas lack measurements
Vertical Datums	Mean Sea Level vs. EGM96, NAVD88, etc.
Edge Matching	Seamless transitions at coastlines
Coordinate Systems	UTM vs geographic, projections
Units	Meters vs. feet, positive up vs. down

Let us explore the Opensource data available on: <https://freegisdata.rtwilson.com/>

# Thank you