Context Setting of Strategy Paper on Water Sector – an economic sector by 2040

# Transformation for 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan: Aligning to the Global Context

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# Sounding the Alarm

#### World Economic Forum, Davos, Switzerland - Evolving Risks Landscape 2007-2019



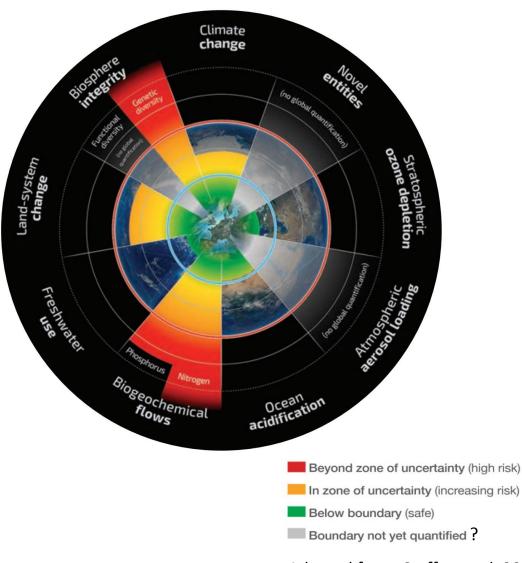
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1st	Asset price collapse	Asset price collapse	Asset price collapse	Asset price collapse	Fiscal crises	Major systemic financial failure	Major systemic financial failure	Fiscal crises	Water crises	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation	Weapons of mass destruction	Weapons of mass destruction	Weapons of mass destruction
2nd	Retrenchment from globalization	Retrenchment from globalization (developed)	Retrenchment from globalization (developed)	Retrenchment from globalization (developed)	Climate change	Water supply crises	Water supply crises	Climate change	Rapid and massive spread of infectious diseases	Weapons of mass destruction	Extreme weather events	Extreme weather events	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation
3rd	Interstate and civil wars	Slowing Chinese economy (<6%)	Oil and gas price spike	Oil price spikes	Geopolitical conflict	Food shortage crises	Chronic fiscal imbalances	Water crises	Weapons of mass destruction	Water crises	Water crises	Natural disasters	Extreme weather events
4th	Pandemics	Oil and gas price spike	Chronic disease	Chronic disease	Asset price collapse	Chronic fiscal imbalances	Diffusion of weapons of mass destruction	Unemployment and underemployment	Interstate conflict with regional consequences	Large-scale involuntary migration	Major natural disasters	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation	Water crises
5th	Oil price shock	Pandemics	Fiscal crises	Fiscal crises	Extreme energy price volatility	Extreme volatility in energy and agricul ture prices	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation	Critical information infrastructure breakdown	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation	Severe energy price shock	Failure of climate-change mitigation and adaptation	Water crises	Natural disasters
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Source: World Economic Forum 2009-2019, Global Risks Reports.

Economic Environmental Geopolitical Societal Technological

Note: Global risks may not be strictly comparable across years, as definitions and the set of global risks have evolved with new issues emerging on the 10-year horizon. For example, cyberattacks, income disparity and unemployment entered the set of global risks in 2012. Some global risks were reclassified: water crises and rising income disparity were re-categorized first as societal risks and then as a trend in the 2015 and 2016 Global Risks Reports, respectively.

## Nine Planetary Boundaries



- 1. Stratospheric ozone depletion (Safe)
- 2. Chemical pollution and the release of novel entities (?)
- 3. Climate Change (IR)
- Loss of biosphere integrity (biodiversity loss and extinctions (HR/?)
- 5. Land system change (IR)
- 6. Freshwater consumption and the global hydrological cycle (Safe)
- Nitrogen and phosphorus flows to the biosphere and oceans (HR)
- 8. Ocean acidification (Safe)
- 9. Atmospheric aerosol loading (?)

Adapted from: Steffen et al. 2015

## Planetary Boundaries (PB)

#### **PBs Key takeaways**

- Transgression of the core boundaries at the same time drives more rapid deterioration and destabilisation of the Earth System
- PBs are interconnected; understanding the interactions between the PBs is important, particularly the core boundaries, climate change and biosphere integrity
- The two core PBs interact with all other seven PBs and can thus act as an overall integrator as well as a limiting factor for other PBs
- Action should be prioritised with an initial focus on the core boundaries
- Regenerative approaches offer solutions across the PBs

#### **Business implications**

- Transgressing the PBs will create business disruptions, including cost increases, resource scarcity and supply chain insecurity
- The PB framework offers an approach for companies to assess their impacts on the Earth System
- The PBs need to be made accessible for companies to use them practically at the scales within which they operate

### From the Netherlands

#### **Prof Pavel Kabat**



Studied studied climate change for almost 20 years Started in early 1990s

## To understand the climate system you have to look at the land and land use too

- Initially climate change, focus on weather, atmosphere and the oceans
- Kabat and team conduct research both on basic aspects of the climate system – how the atmosphere functions and the interaction between land and land use – and on technologies to adapt to climate change
- Land and land use are essential to understanding how the climate system works.
- "....carbon is to a large extent captured on land; tropical forests, for example, play an important role in this.
- ..... carbon emissions are also mostly produced on land.

## Rethinking Environmental Management

- IWRM not moving fast enough?
- Green Economy South Korea
- Water Security
- Water-Food-Energy Nexus Europe
- Circular Economy
- Zero Waste Management
- More and continuous .... ???

# Tracing IWRM Development

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## **UNCED 1992:** Agenda 21 – Chap 18, Para 18.6

- The holistic management of freshwater as a finite and vulnerable resource, and the integration of sectoral water plans and programmes within the framework of national economic and social policy, are of paramount importance for action in the 1990s and beyond.
- The fragmentation of responsibilities for water resources
   development among sectoral agencies is proving, however, to be an
   even greater impediment to promoting integrated water
   management than had been anticipated.
- Effective implementation and coordination mechanisms are required.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan 2001-05 — Achieving Sustainable Development

- 1.43 ..... addressing environmental and resource issues in an integrated and holistic manner. ... ensure that development is sustainable and resilient. .... adopt early preventive measures and will apply the precautionary principle to address environment and natural resource management issues. ....put in place the enabling conditions for effective policy change....
- 1.44 .... strengthen the database for environmental decision making by introducing the use of sustainable development indicators. .... Efforts to address air pollution, particularly from mobile sources.... A National Water Policy will be formulated .... ... a comprehensive waste management policy to address issues of waste reduction, reuse and recycling, will be introduced.
- 1.45 Land use planning will be strengthened .... The overall management of marine affairs will be reviewed to address multiple-use conflicts in marine areas.....

### **UN CSD 2012:** The Future We Want – Para 119-134

- 119. .....that water is at the core of sustainable development as it is closely linked to a number of key global challenges. ...... the importance of integrating water in sustainable development ....
- 120. ......commit to the progressive realization of *access to safe and affordable drinking water and basic sanitation for all*, ..... commitments to support these efforts in particular in developing countries through the mobilization of resources from all sources, capacity building and technology transfer.
- 121. ....the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation, ....
- 122. .....the key role that ecosystems play in maintaining water quantity and quality .....
- 123. .... adopt measures to address floods, droughts, and water scarcity, addressing the *balance between water supply and demand* including where appropriate non-conventional water resources, and to mobilize financial resources and 22 investment in infrastructure for water and sanitation services, in accordance with national priorities.
- 124. .....adopt measures to significantly reduce water pollution and increase water quality, significantly improve wastewater treatment, and water efficiency and reduce water losses.....

## UNGA, Sept 2015: 17 Sustainable Development Goals







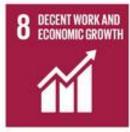
































## SDG 6 - Clean Water & Sanitation

- Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
  - 6.1 By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all
  - 6.2 By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation, paying special attention to the needs of women and girls and those in vulnerable situations
  - 6.3 By 2030, improve water quality by reducing pollution, eliminating dumping and minimizing release of hazardous chemicals and materials, halving the proportion of untreated wastewater and substantially increasing recycling and safe reuse globally
  - 6.4 By 2030, substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity
  - 6.5 By 2030, implement integrated water resources management at all levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate
  - 6.6 By 2020?, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes
  - 6.a By 2030, expand international cooperation and capacity-building support to developing countries in water- and sanitation-related activities and programmes, including water harvesting, desalination, water efficiency, wastewater treatment, recycling and reuse technologies
  - 6.b Support and strengthen the participation of local communities in improving water and sanitation management

### 2016 - ASM NIWRMP 25 recommendations

https://issuu.com/asmpub/docs/web\_vol1\_gf

- 1. Overarching 2
- 2. Enabling Environment 10
- 3. Institutional Framework 5
- 4. Management Instruments 5
- 5. Investments in Water Infrastructure 1
- 6. NIWRM Plan implementation Management Structure 1
- 7. Champions 1

## **Summary Recommendations**

#### **OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Adoption and implementation of **NIWRMP** together with the Component Plans nationwide by the key ministries and respective state administrations.

#### **ENABLING ENVIRONMENT**

Addressing policies, legislation, regulations and finance among which is the need for an over-arching Integrated Natural Resources Policy; a contemporary National Water Resources Act to be expedited; and the need for funding arrangements and protocols especially pertaining to environment rehabilitation works.

#### **INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK**

Focuses on the review and strengthening of governance through institution of oversight and implementation of management structures at national, state, river basin and local hierarchical levels, and calls for greater intra-ministerial integration.

#### **MANAGEMENT INSTRUMENTS**

Stresses on the establishment of a central IWRM database built around river basin platforms; the use of economic, financial and technical instruments for greater water use efficiency and accountability and to curb abuse; implementing a national agenda for integrated water research; mechanisms for promotion of green growth; and the pooling of resources to establish one-stop capacity building centres to improve skills and raise competency at all levels

### **Summary Recommendations**

#### INVESTMENTS IN WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

Central recommendation for urgent Investments in Water Infrastructure to cater for the national water sector needs and to spur the transformation of the water sector. **15 major programmes** with corresponding **95 EPPs** were identified broken down into 3 subprogrammes, namely 5 Cross-cutting programmes involving 14 EPPs, 5 programmes related to "Water as a Resource" involving 48 EPPs, and 5 programmes related to "Water for Livelihood" involving a further 33 EPPs.

#### PLAN IMPLEMENTATION MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

Recommends for the Plan be to managed nationally at the highest political level by the National Water Resources Council (*MSAN*), and at the state level by the State Water Resources Council (*MSANg*) with the support of a National Steering Committee (NSC) to oversee the implementation and assisted by a National Technical Committee (NTC) to resolve technical issues. Formation of a dedicated IWRM Implementation Unit (IWRM-IU) reporting to the NSC to ensure the timely and coordinated implementation of the Plan.

#### CHAMPIONING THE NATIONAL IWRM AGENDA

The need for "champion(s)" to actively pursue "NIWRMP" initiative and the transformation process.

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# What is IWRM

### INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (IWRM) Paradigm

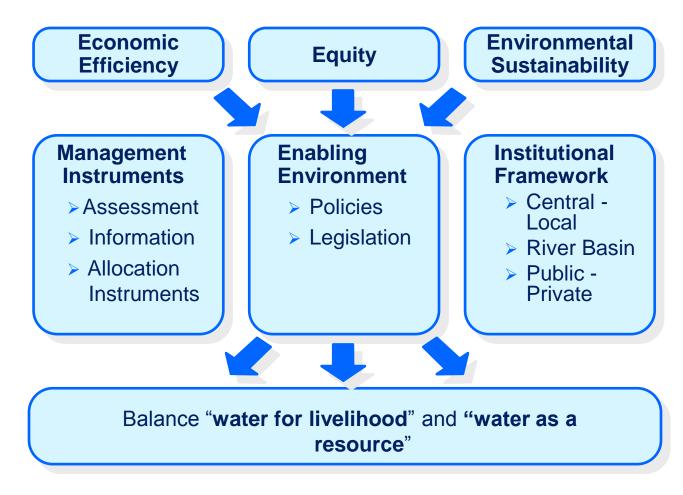
"A process which promotes the **coordinated development and management of water, land and related resources**, in order to maximise the resultant economic and social welfare in an equitable manner without compromising the sustainability of vital ecosystems" — GWP

Guided by the Dublin Principles of 1992

## Dublin Principles - 1992

- Principle No. 1 Fresh water is a finite and vulnerable resource, essential to sustain life, development and the environment
  - Since water sustains life, effective management of water resources demands a holistic approach, linking social
    and economic development with protection of natural ecosystems. Effective management links land and
    water uses across the whole of a catchment area or groundwater aquifer.
- Principle No. 2 Water development and management should be based on a participatory approach, involving users, planners and policy-makers at all levels
  - The participatory approach involves raising awareness of the importance of water among policy-makers and the general public. It means that decisions are taken at the lowest appropriate level, with full public consultation and involvement of users in the planning and implementation of water projects.
- Principle No. 3 Women play a central part in the provision, management and safeguarding of water
  - This pivotal role of women as providers and users of water and guardians of the living environment has seldom been reflected in institutional arrangements for the development and management of water resources. Acceptance and implementation of this principle requires positive policies to address women ps specific needs and to equip and empower women to participate at all levels in water resources programmes, including decision-making and implementation, in ways defined by them.
- Principle No. 4 Water has an economic value in all its competing uses and should be recognized as an economic good
  - Within this principle, it is vital to recognize first the basic right of all human beings to have access to clean
    water and sanitation at an affordable price. Past failure to recognize the economic value of water has led to
    wasteful and environmentally damaging uses of the resource. Managing water as an economic good is an
    important way of achieving efficient and equitable use, and of encouraging conservation and protection of
    water resources.

#### IWRM addresses the "three E's"



- the three "pillars" of IWRM

## Integration in IWRM

Vertical integration

National Government

Local/State Government

Municipalities Private Sector, NGOs <u>Vertical integration</u> to better coordination of policies and encouragement of bottom-up water management. <u>Horizontal integration</u> can include several water management components within the water system and across sectors and institutional boundaries.

Water system: Water resource catchment and storage, resource conservation, ecosystem maintenance, flood mitigation and water security

**Cross-sector:** Energy system, land use, urban design, health and sanitation policies and agriculture policies

#### Horizontal integration

Water system

Water security

Water reuse

Stormwater management

Maintenance

Ecosystem Maintenance

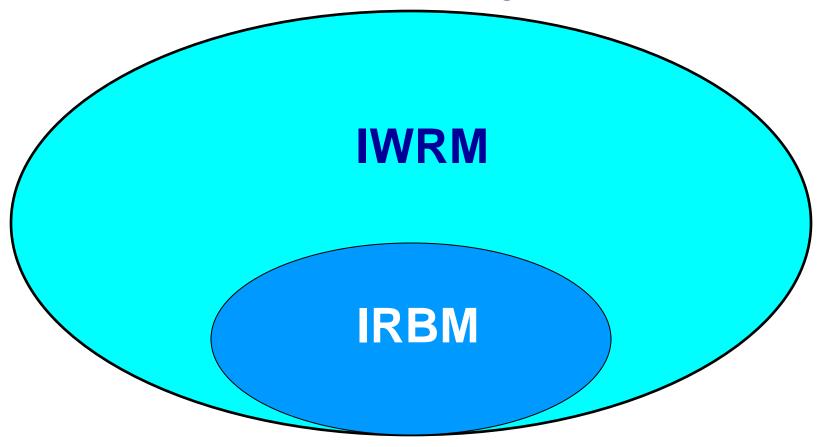
Energy

Land use & Health & Sanitation

Agriculture

Source: Low Carbon Green Growth Roadmap for Asia and the Pacific, UNESCAP 2012

.....builds on river basin management

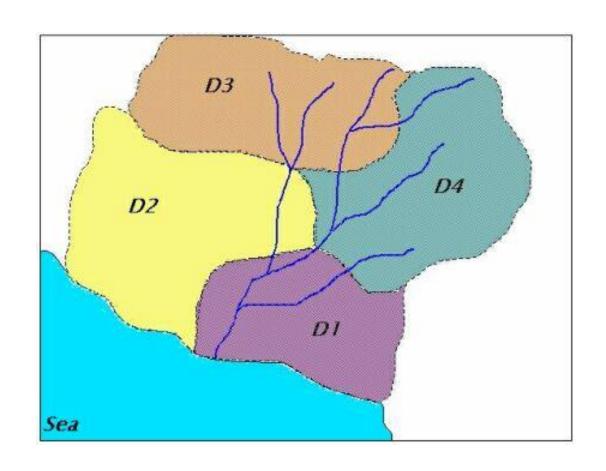


- from both water quantity and water quality perspective

## Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM)

- IRBM manages these human activities in the river basin on an integrated basis such as
  - Provide overarching guidelines and legislations accompanied by required institutions, monitoring and enforcement capabilities to enable
    - Floods be mitigated and
    - The environment to remain pristine
  - identifies the optimum carrying capacity of the rivers
    - discharge volume
    - pollutant loadings
  - looks at appropriate location of housing areas, business centers, industries and recreational areas,
  - looks at methods and pattern of waste disposals
  - looks at the need for river riparian areas to sustain bio-diversity

### River Basin A and 4 Districts



### LEMBANGAN SUNGAI KELANG

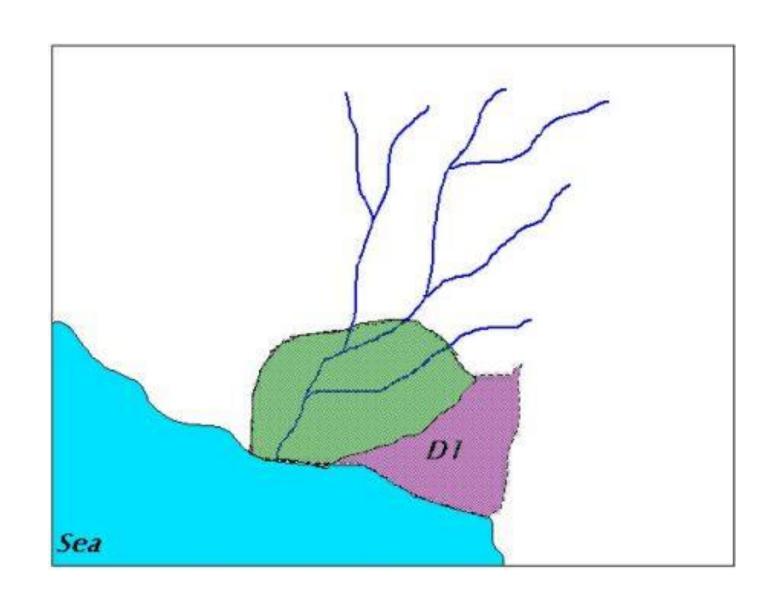
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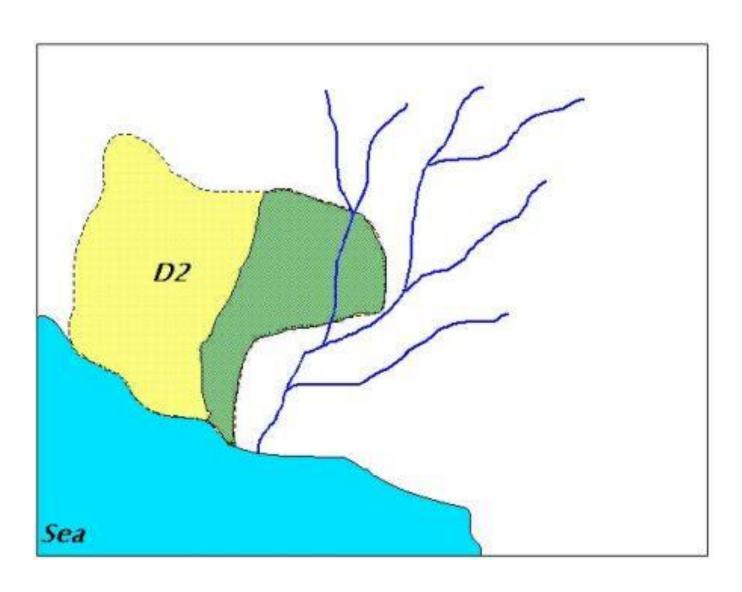
### 8 PBT, 2 Negeri

- 1. Ampang Jaya
- 2. Ulu Langat
- 3. Gombak
- 4. Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur
- 5. Petaling Jaya
- 6. Subang Jaya
- 7. Shah Alam
- 8. Kelang

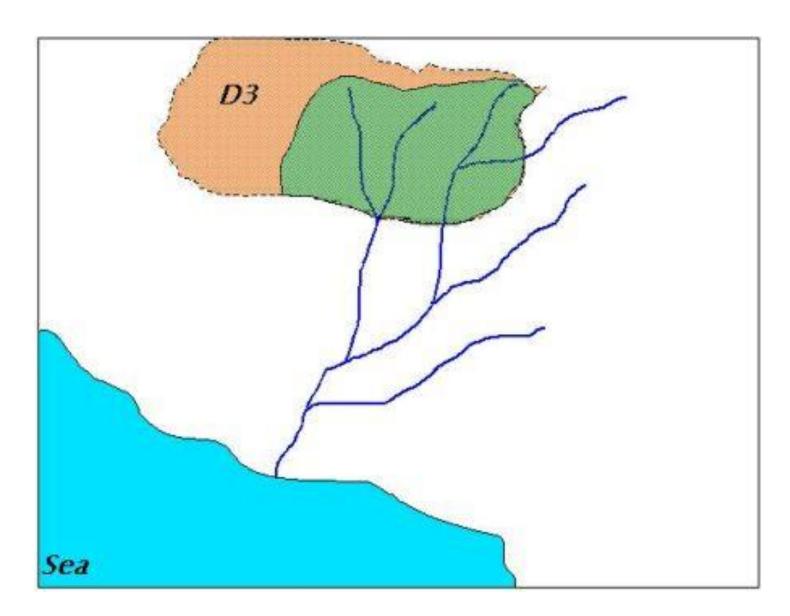
### Part of District D1 within River Basin A



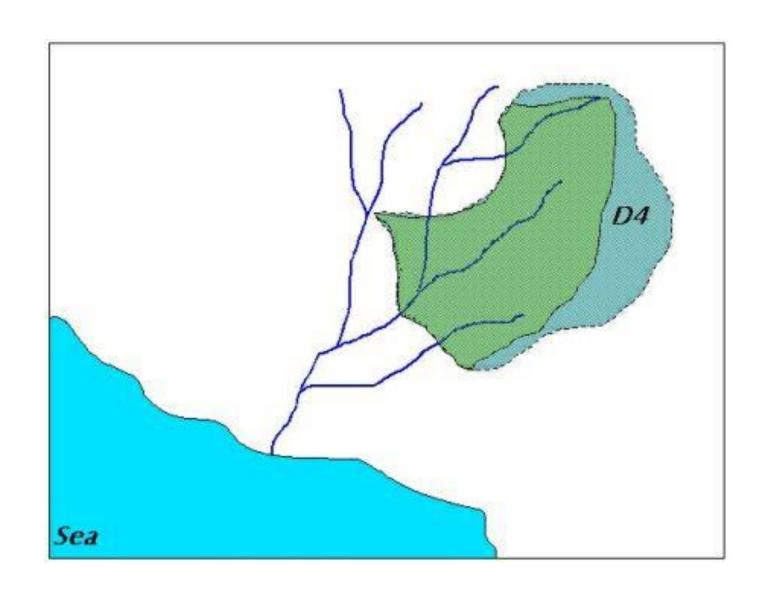
### Part of District D2 within River Basin A



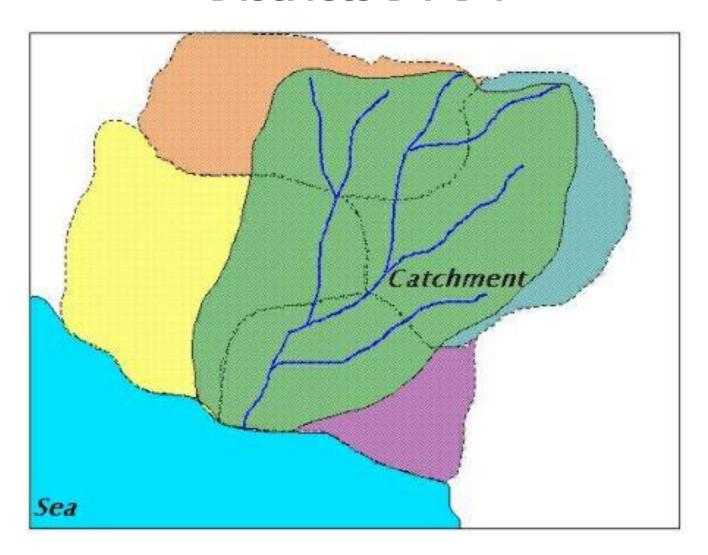
### Part of District D3 within River Basin A



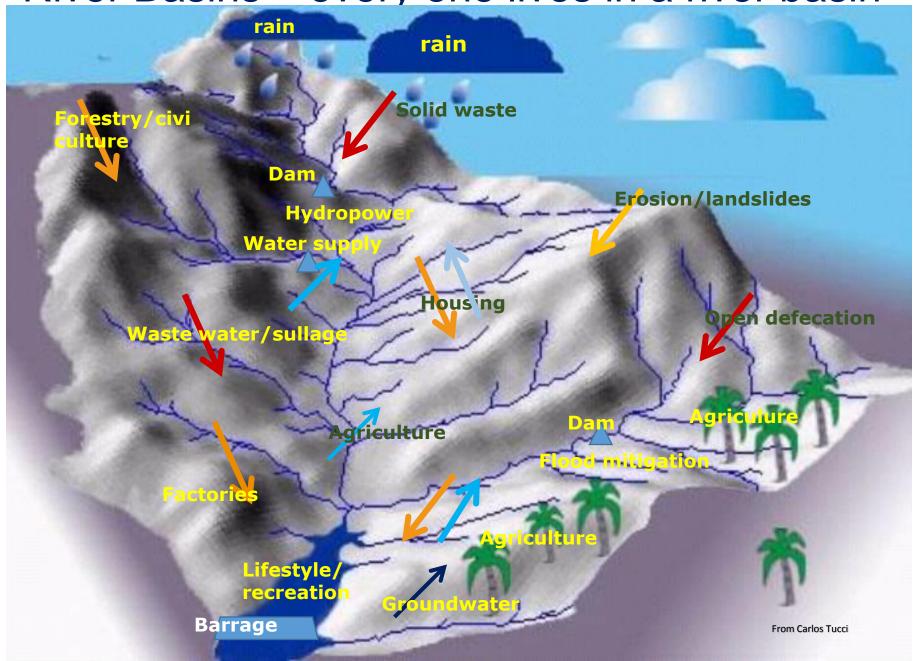
#### Part of District D4 within River Basin A



# The area of River Basin A are parts of Districts D1-D4



River Basins – every one lives in a river basin

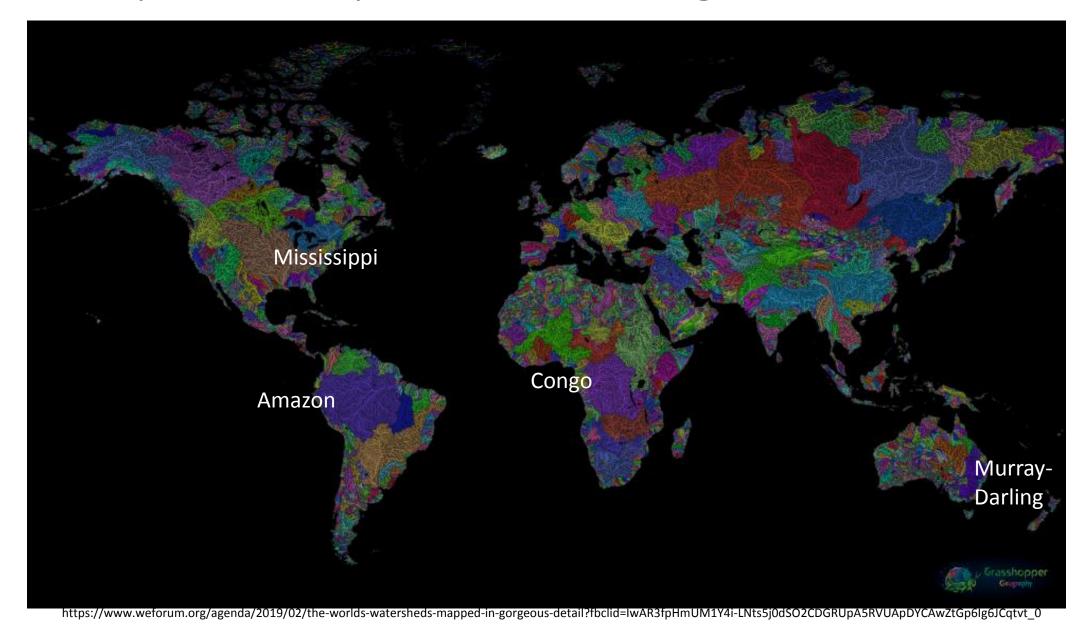


# Global riverbasins

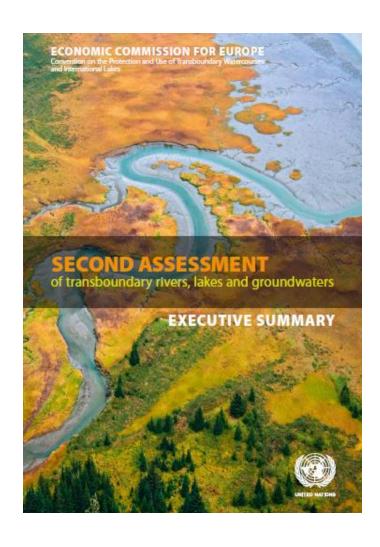
## Global Land mass – jigsaw puzzles of river basins



## Latest pictoral representation of global river basins



## Water Convention – UN ECE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assessment



- Most Comprehensive and up-to-date of European & Asian transboundary waters,
- For 7thMinisterial Conference in Astana, Sept 2011, lead by Finland
- Strengthen measures at local, national and transboundary levels to
  - Protect and ensure quantity, quality and sustainable use of transboundary water resources
    - Both surface and groundwater
  - Holistic approach, commitment to IWRM
    - water resources management: an integral part of ecosystems, human societies and economies
  - Include
    - Drainage Basins of the Sea of Okhotsk and Sea of Japan
    - Drainage Basins of the Aral Sea and other Transboundary Waters in Central Asia
    - Drainage Basins of the Caspian Sea

# Drainage Basins of Sea of Okhotsk and Sea of Japan



Drainage Basins of the Aral Sea & other Transboundary Waters in Central Asia

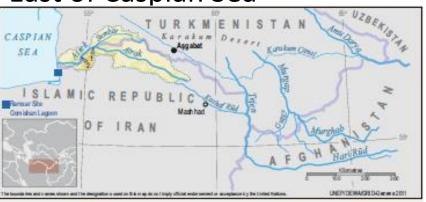


## Drainage Basins of the Caspian Sea

North of Caspian Sea



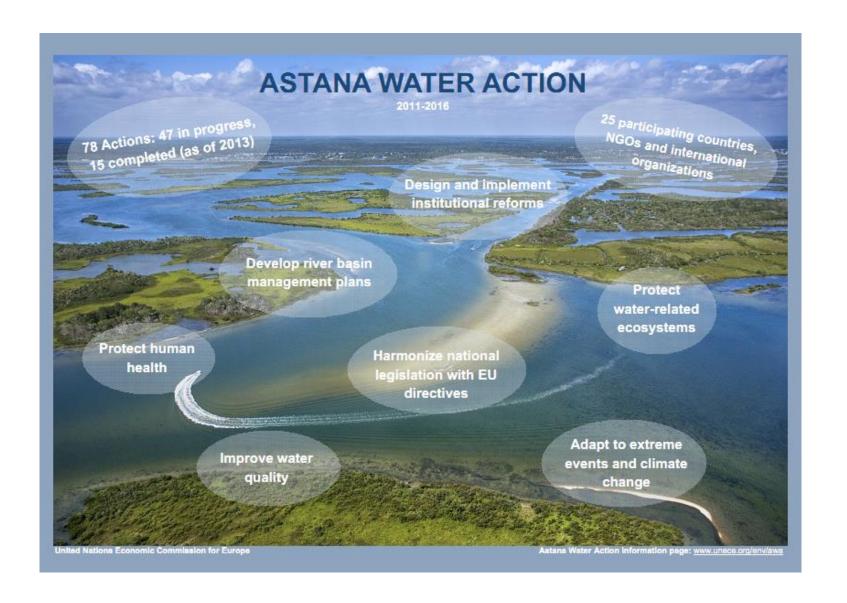
East of Caspian Sea





West of Caspian Sea

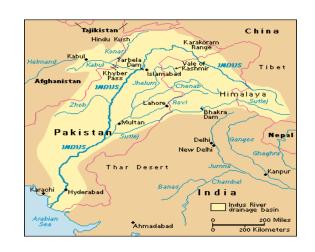
### **Astana Water Action**

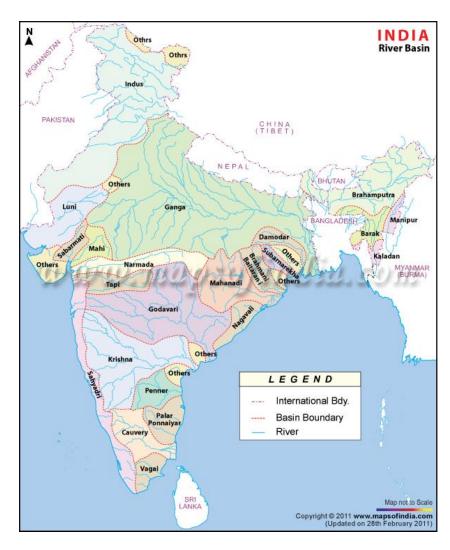


### Major river basins in Africa

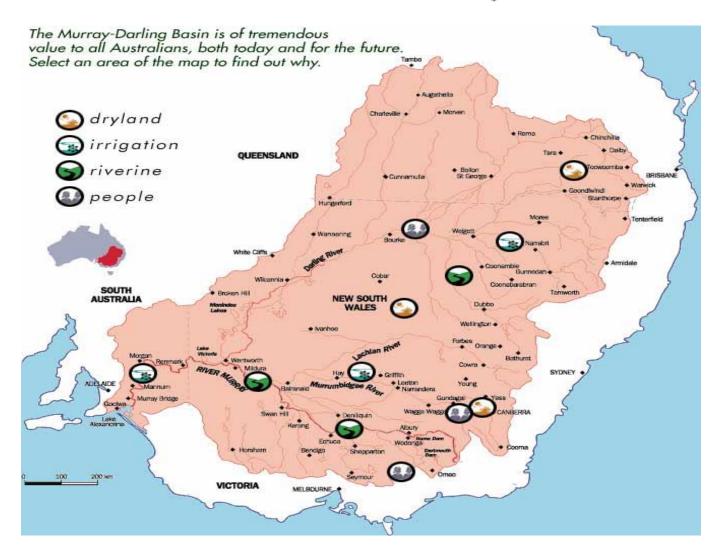


## Indian sub-continent





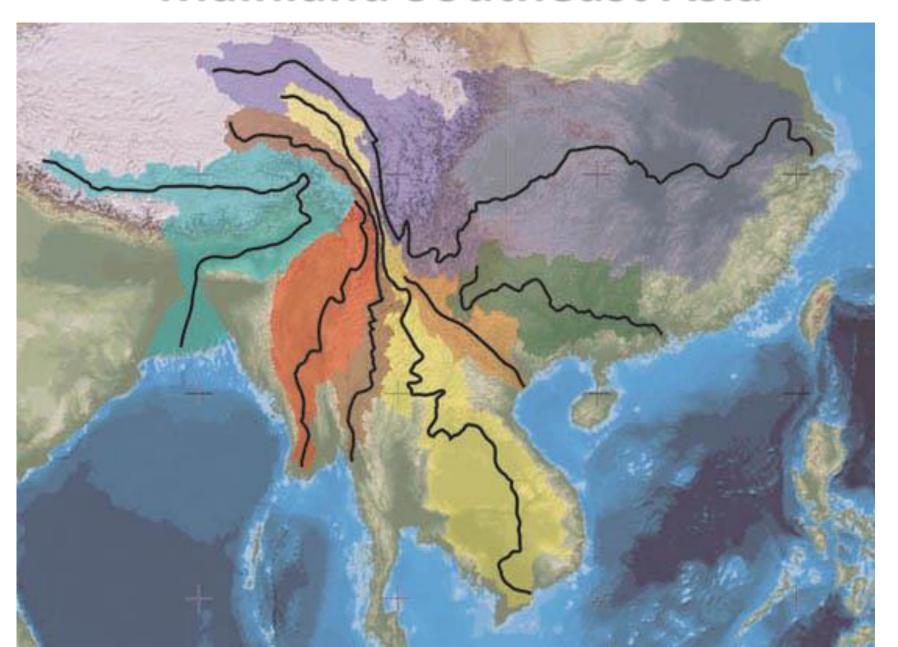
### MURRAY-DARLING BASIN, AUSTRALIA



#### Management of water resources by 5 States

Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia, Victoria, Federal Territory

## **Mainland Southeast Asia**



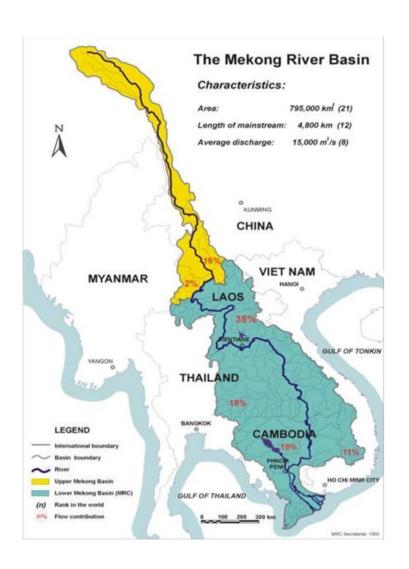
## Mekong River Basin

http://www.mrcmekong.org/

The Mekong Basin is an International River Basin

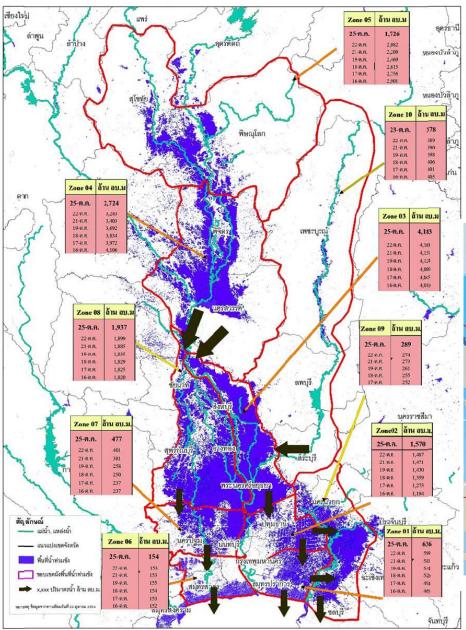
Each nation makes a contribution to water flow in the Mekong River:

China 16%
Myanmar 2%
Laos 35%
Thailand 18%
Cambodia 18%
Viet Nam 11%



- Very Comprehensive
   Study for Lower Mekong
- Uploaded by the Mekong River Commission (MRC)
  - Assessment of Basinwide Development Scenarios
  - Basin Development Strategy
  - Basin Action Plans

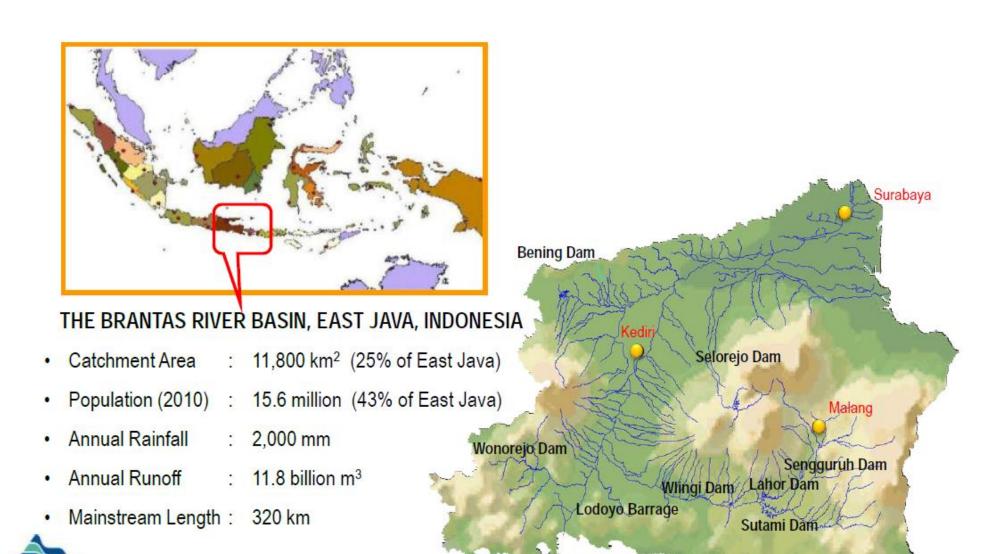




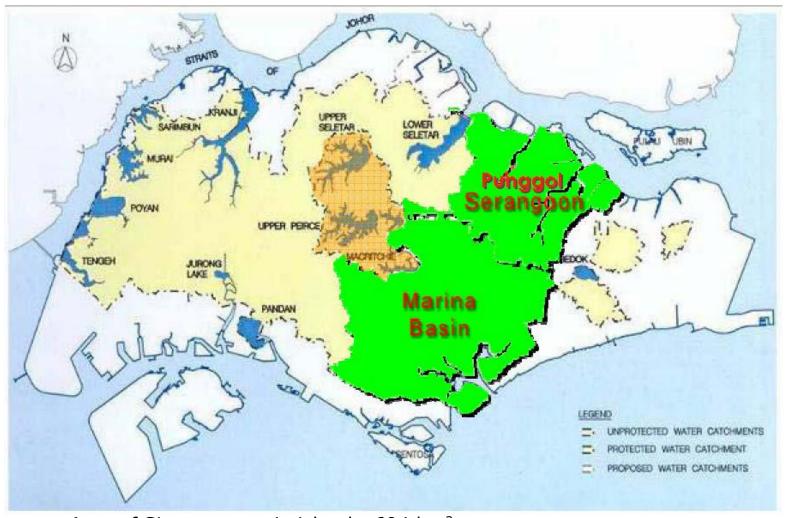
Chao Phraya River Basin = 157,924 km<sup>2</sup> Average Annual Rainfall = 1500mm Whole of Chao Phraya flood waters, pass through Bangkok



#### Brantas River Basin - Indonesia

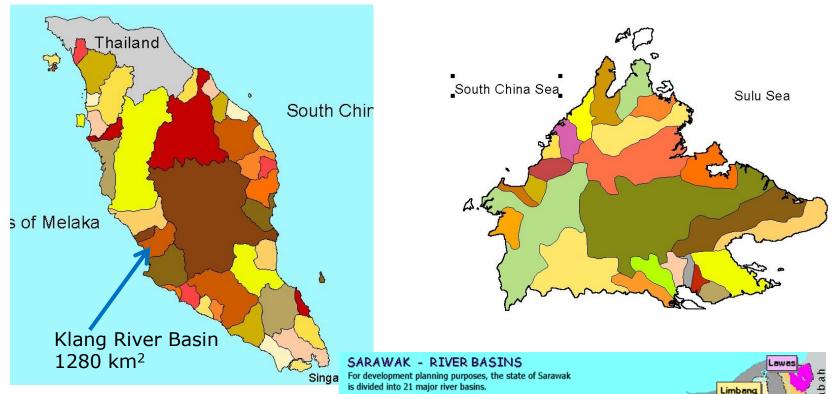


### Singapore River Basins



Area of Singapore main island - 694 km<sup>2</sup> Marina Basin - 1/5 of Singapore about 139 km<sup>2</sup> Av Rainfall 2000mm/yr Population - 5.1 million (2012)

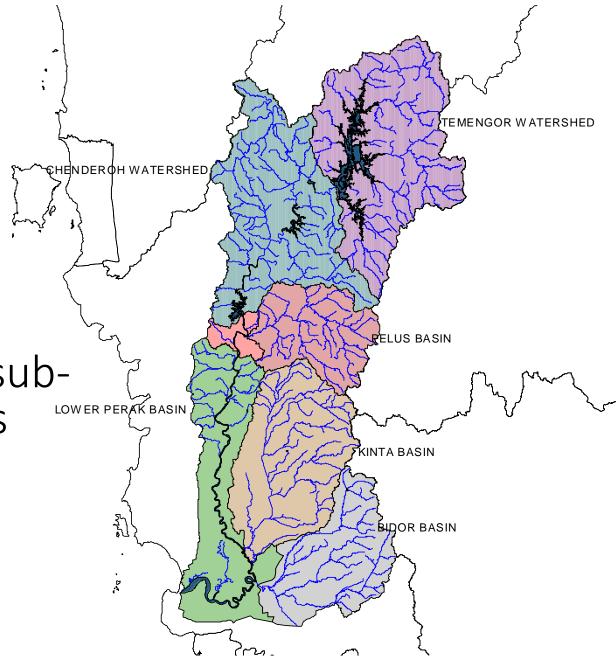
# River basins in Malaysia



Malaysia - 330,000 km<sup>2</sup> Average Annual Rainfall 1500mm to 4500 mm

189 River Basins
Management
Units (RBMU) in Malaysia
Circa early 2000





Sungai Perak and its subbasins and tributaries

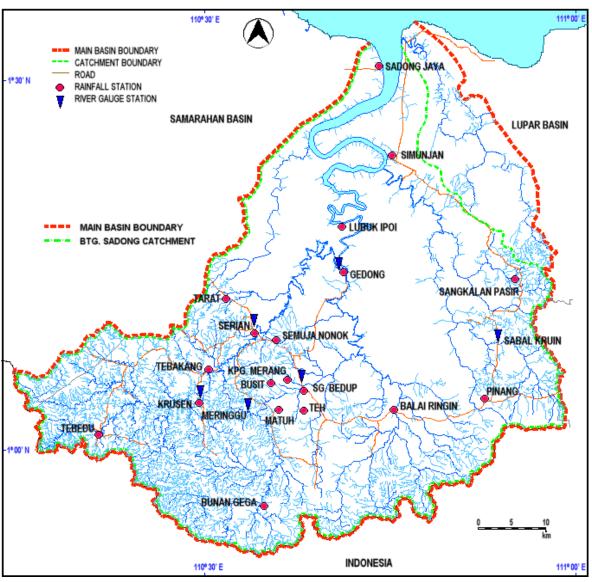
Before 1999 – JICA Study

Sadong River Basin - Tributaries & Catchments

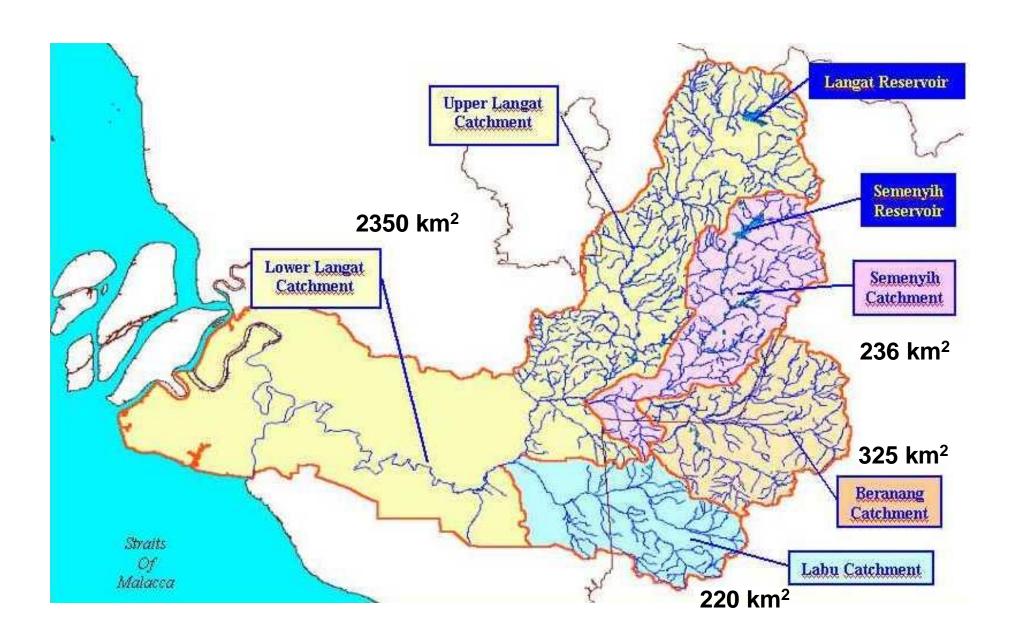
Area: 3,543 km square

Length:150 km

Circa early 2001?



#### Langat River Basin - Tributaries & Catchments, circa early 2000



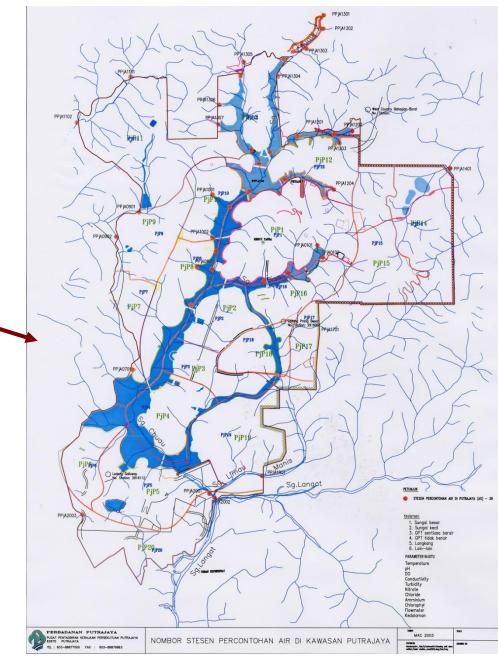
## Putrajaya

Malaysia's Administrative Centre 49 km sq



Putrajaya Catchment, Sg Chuau Catchment, is a tributary of Langat River System

From: Perbadanan Putrajaya



#### SB 01-**SOUTH CHINA SEA** SG BT MANIKAR SB14-KUBONG BLUFF SB-13 SG GANGGARAK SB 12-SG TG ARU **Circa 2008** SB 02-SG LADA SB 05-SG SB 11-KINA BENUWA SG NAGALANG SB 08-SG SB 09-BTARANG SG GERSIK SB 04 SB 06-SG BUTON SB 10-SG KELING NEW VICTORIA SG BELUKUT KG RANCHA RANCHA Pulau Papan Source: IES in Labuan (Draft Report, 2009)

## River Basins in Labuan – 92 km sq

#### **LEGEND:**

Project Boundary

Sub-Basin Boundary

SB01-Sg Bt Manikar

SB02-Sg Lada

SB03-Sg Belukut

SB04-Sg Buton

SB05-Sg Kina Benuwa

SB06-Sg Keling

SB07-Kg Rancha Rancha

SB08-Sg Bt Arang

SB09-Sg Gersik

SB10-New Victoria

SB11-Sg Nagalang

SB12-Sg Tg Aru

SB13-Sg Ganggarak

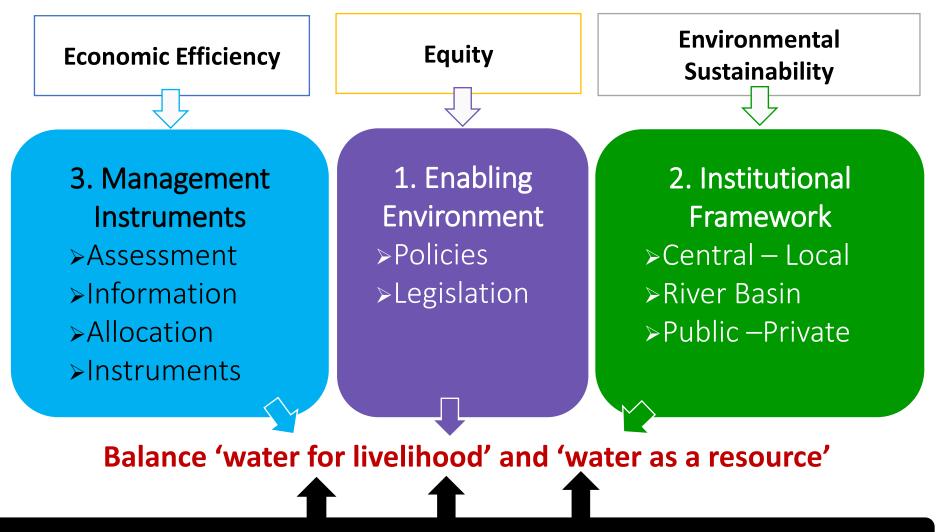
SB14-Kubong Bluff

Satellite Islands

# Moving Forward IWRM

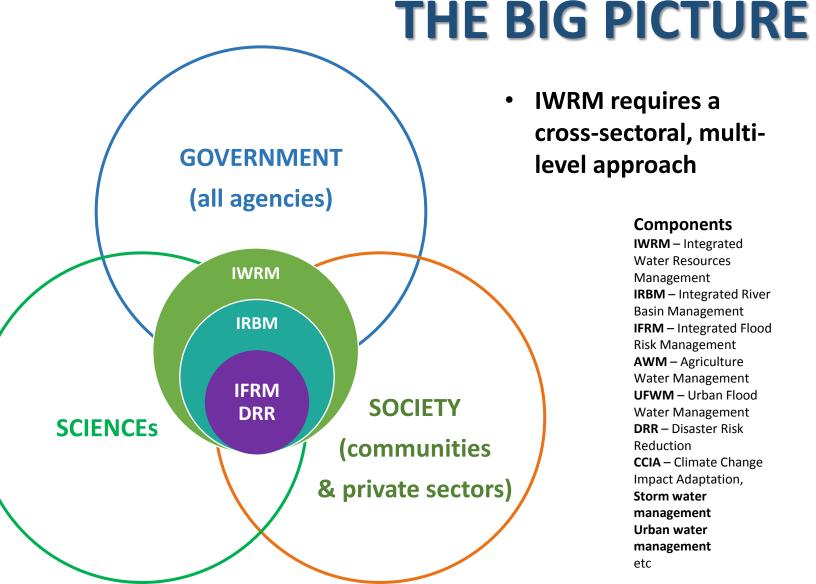
#### **IWRM General Framework**

#### Balancing development goals



 Previous focus – on the science. The 3 pillars of IWRM

- 1. enabling environment,
- institutional roles
- management instruments
- Need to move implementation to all - ASM NIWRMP
- Must include explicit financing alternatives - ASM **NIWRMP**



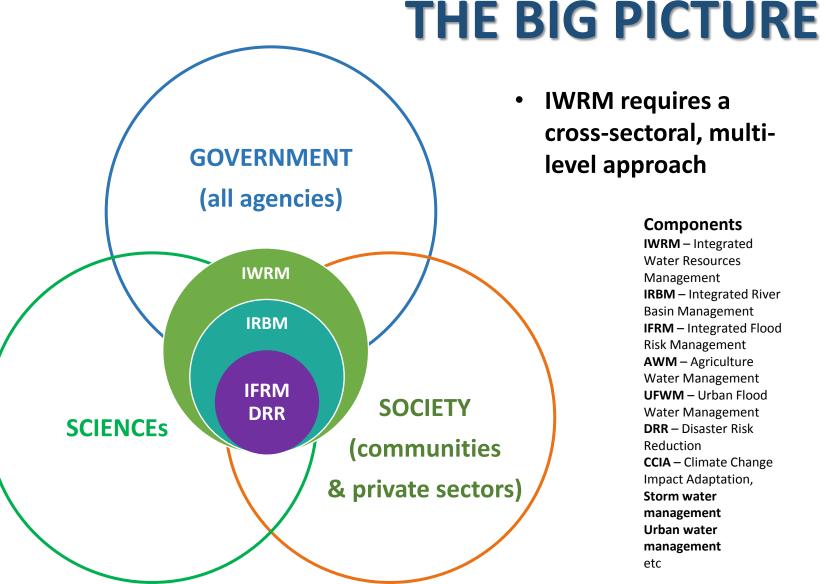
**IWRM** requires a cross-sectoral, multi-

#### Components

IWRM - Integrated Water Resources Management **IRBM** – Integrated River **Basin Management IFRM** – Integrated Flood Risk Management **AWM** – Agriculture Water Management **UFWM** – Urban Flood Water Management **DRR** – Disaster Risk Reduction **CCIA** – Climate Change Impact Adaptation, Storm water management **Urban water** management etc

The proposed 6 pillars of IWRM @ **8WWF, Brasilia Mac** 2018

- 1. enabling environment,
- 2. institutional roles
- 3. management instruments
- 4. Adequate Financing
- 5. Effective Strategies
- 6. Operating Mechanism, bridging strategy setting to problem solving



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## Proposed Strategy Paper

- i. Malaysia Makmur (developed) by 2040
- ii. Current status/situations of water related performances/ activities
- iii. Issues and challenges facing water sector in Malaysia
- iv. Strategies/initiatives to transform water sector in the 12th Malaysia Plan (with proposed implementing agencies)
- v. Proposed KPIs/ National Targets to be achieved by 2025 and 2030 (considering the existing global and national targets);
- vi. Estimated costs/ timelines needed to implement proposed strategies/ initiatives for the period of 5-10 years (if possible).

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