

Drought risk in Cambodia and potential solution

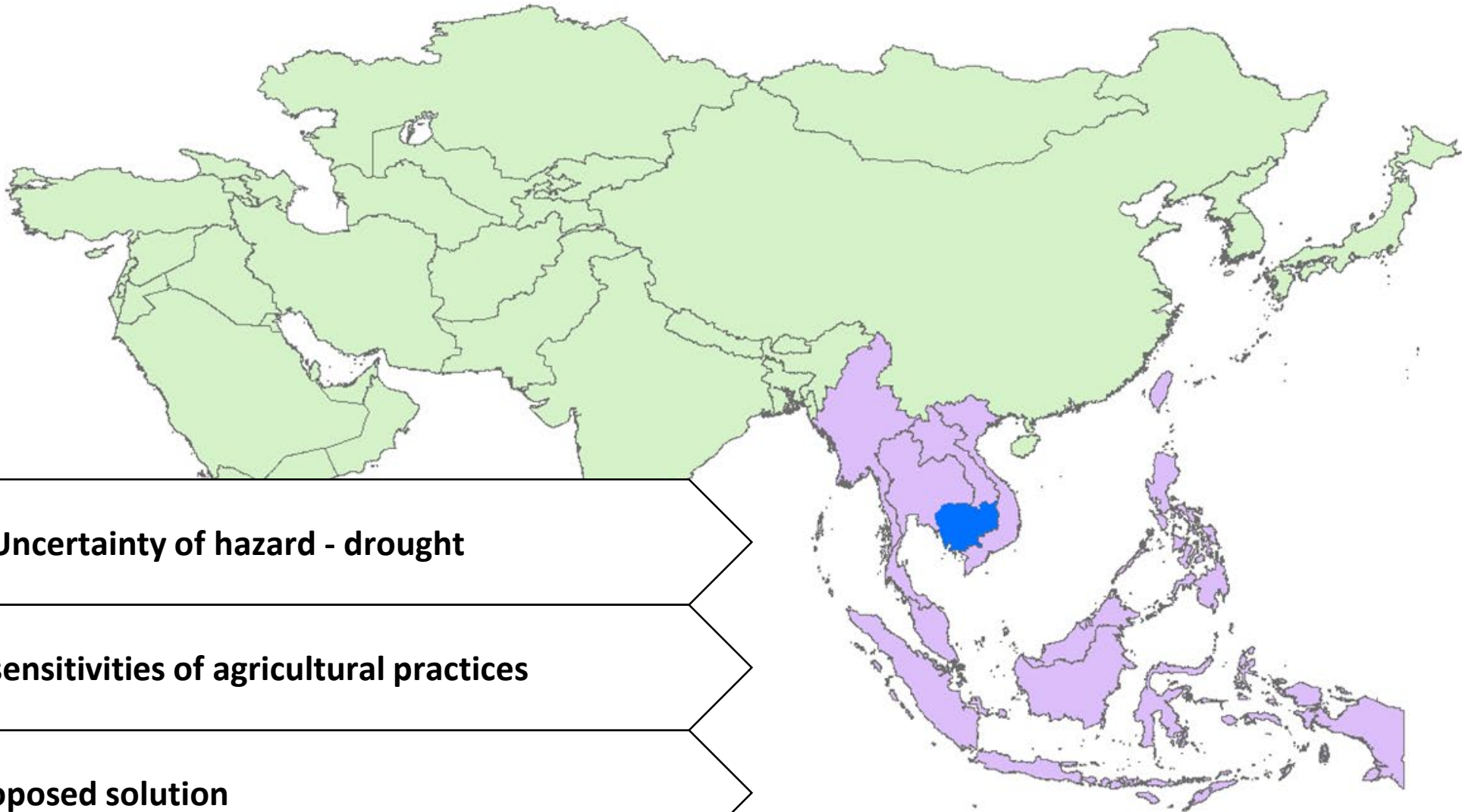
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1. The Uncertainty of hazard - drought

2. The sensitivities of agricultural practices

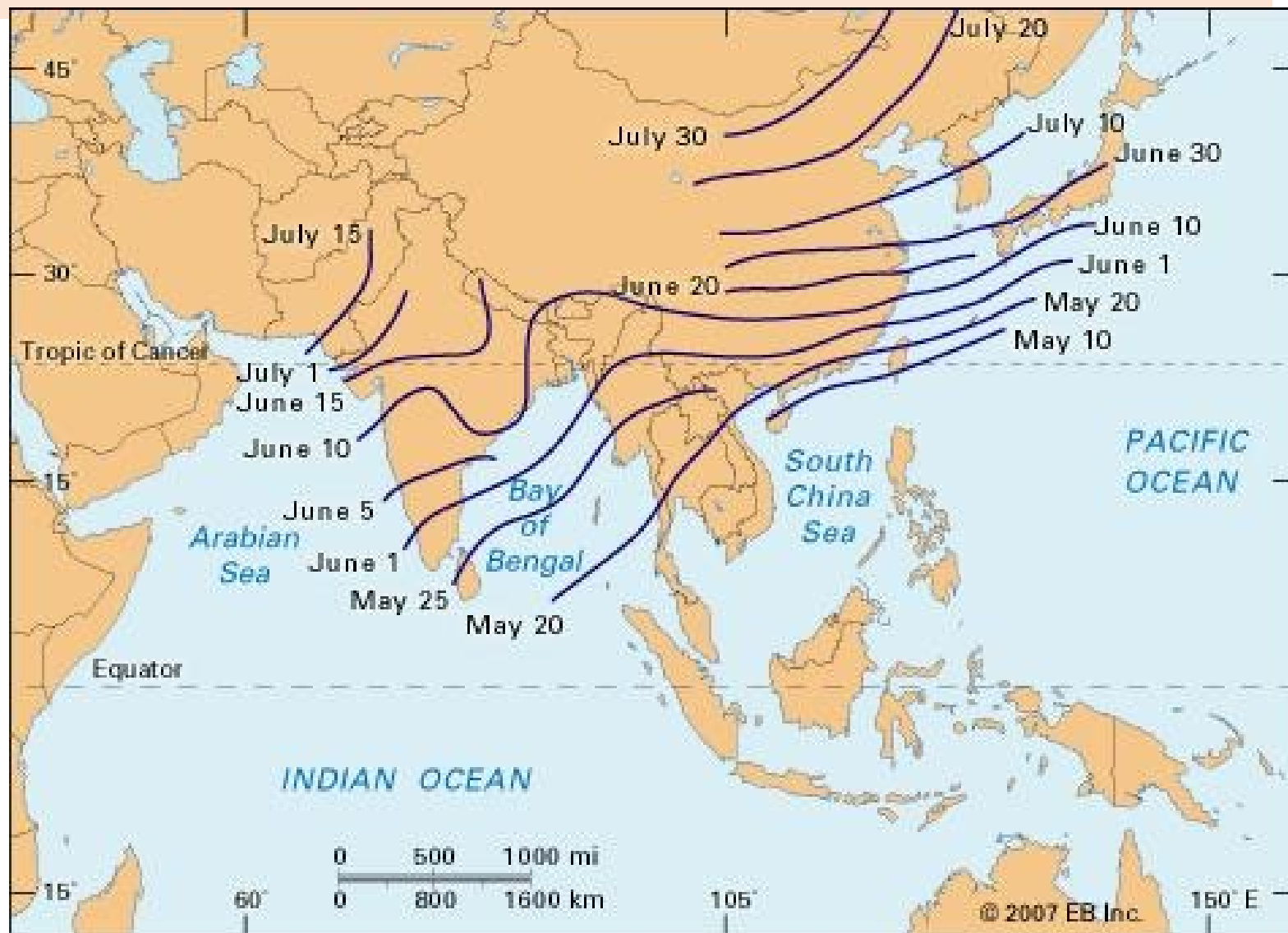
3. A proposed solution



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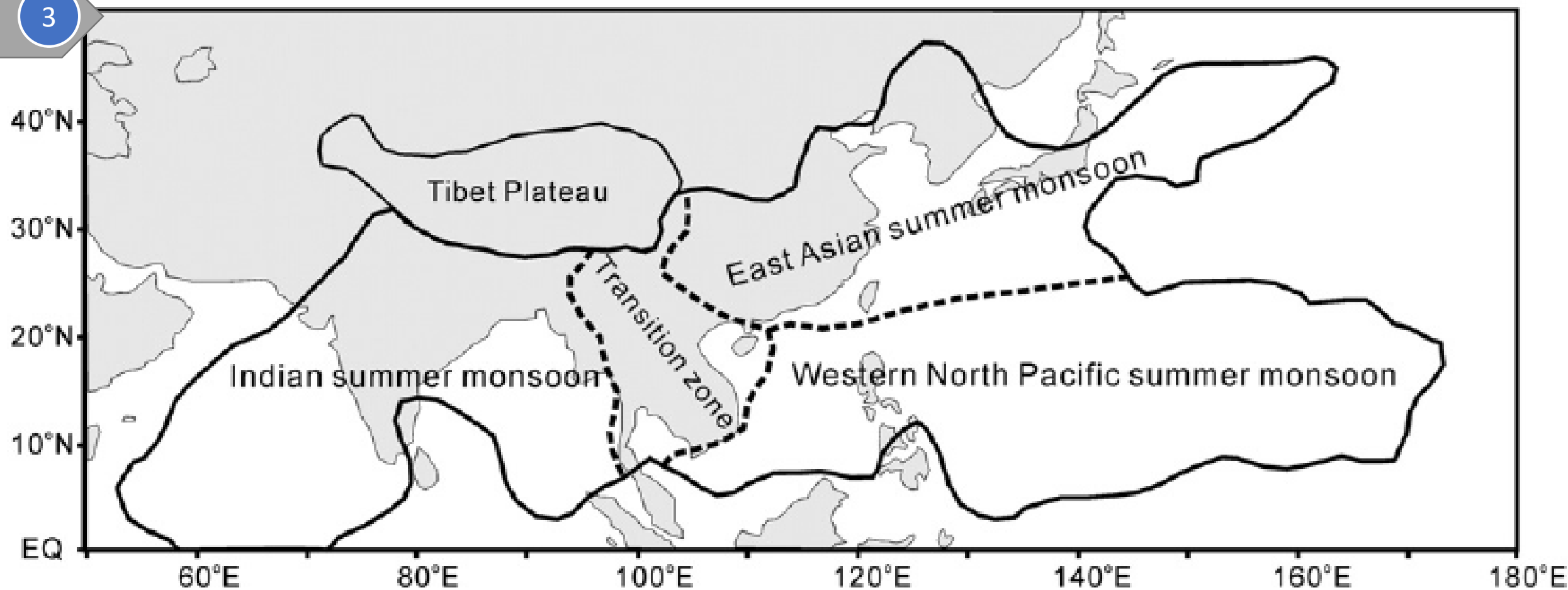
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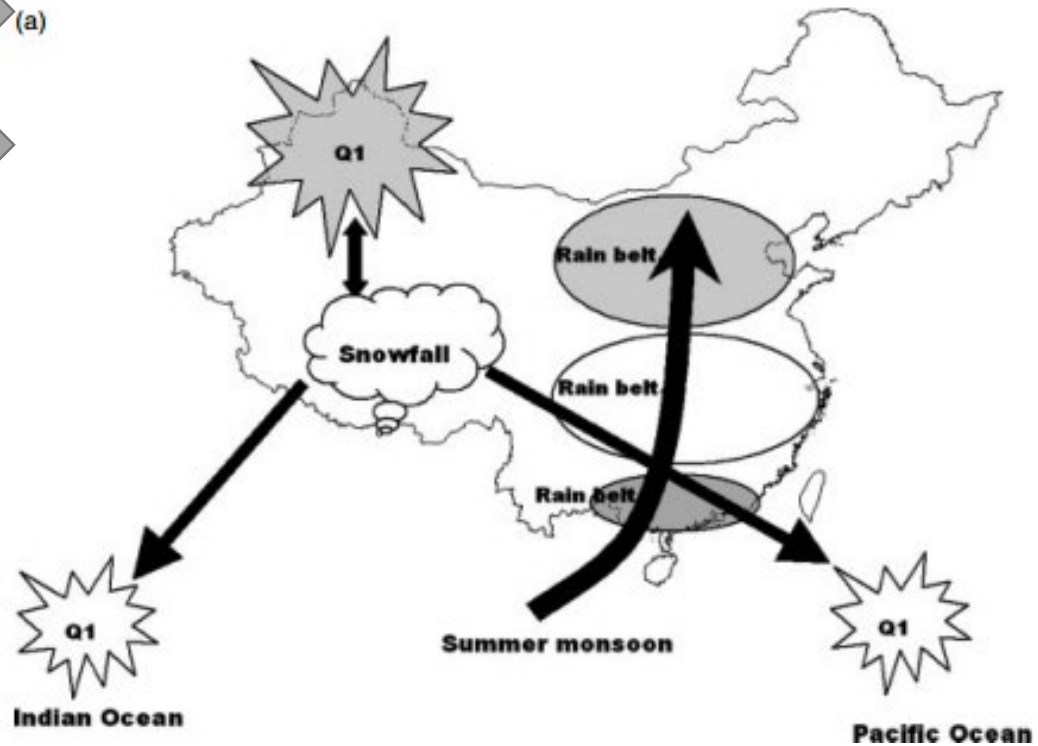


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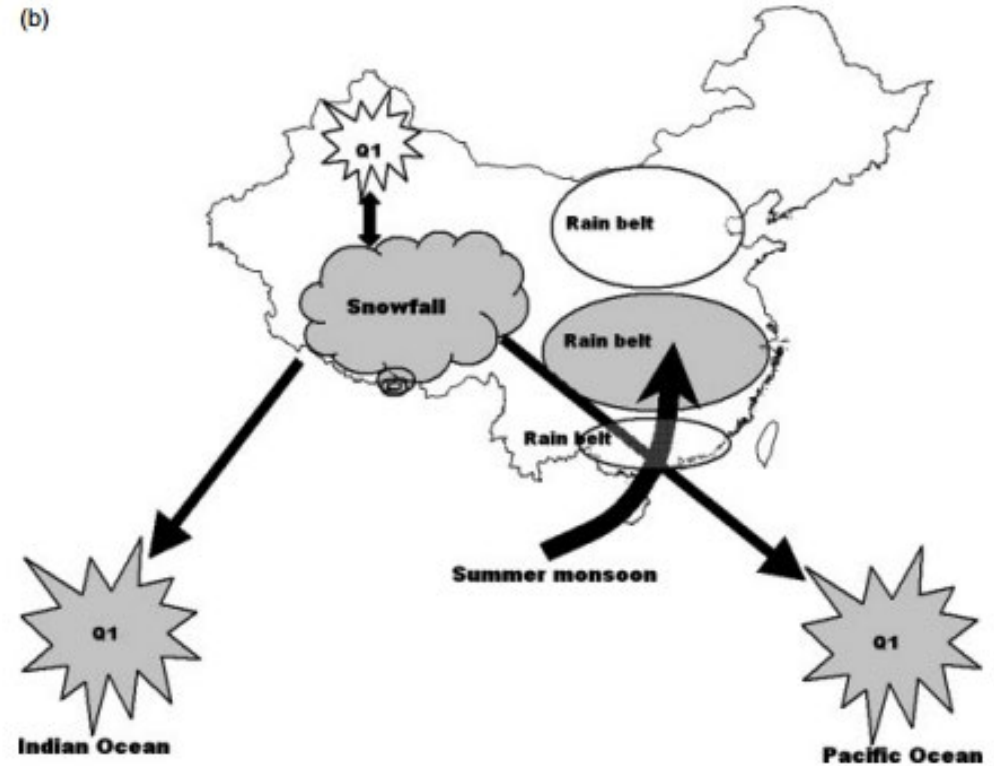
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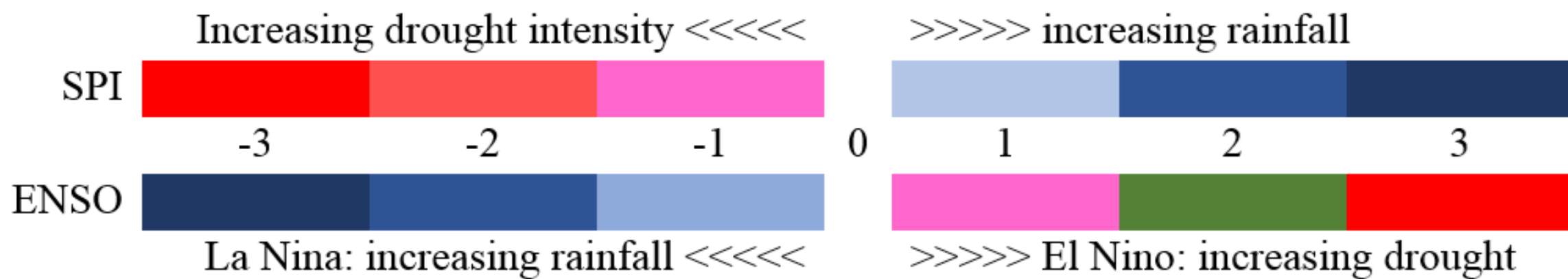
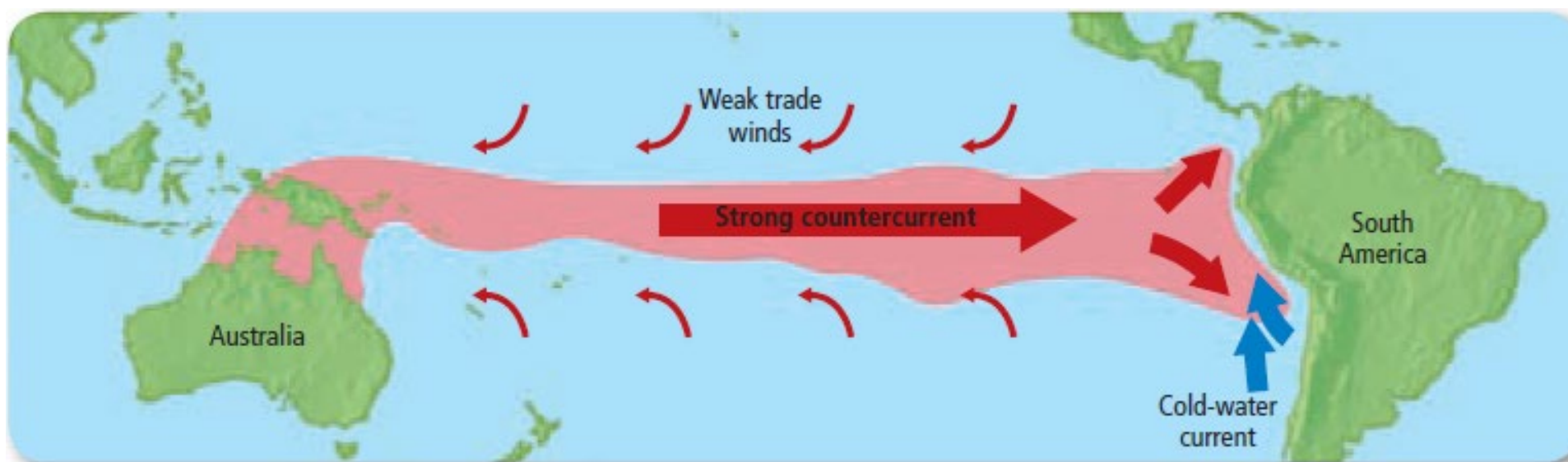
Strong Asian Summer Monsoon

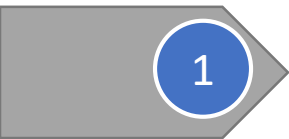
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Weak Asian Summer Monsoon

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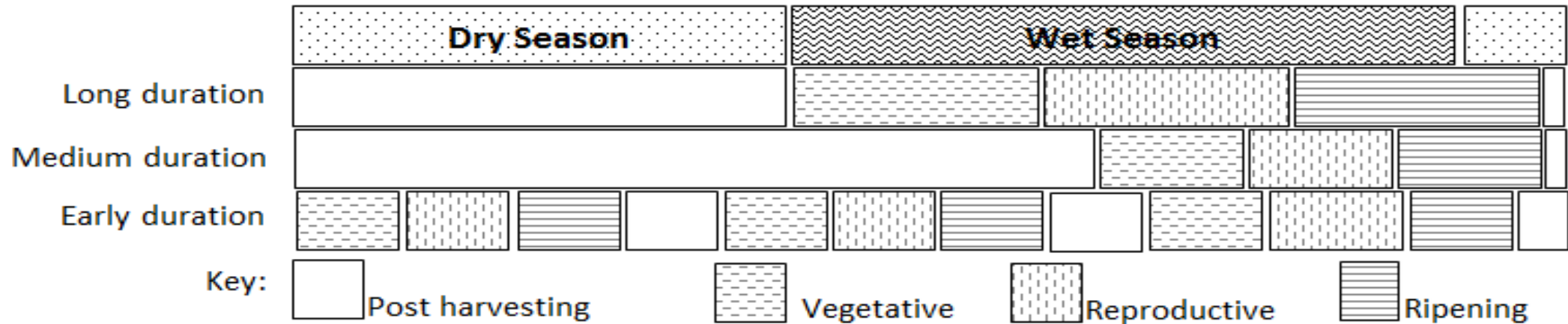
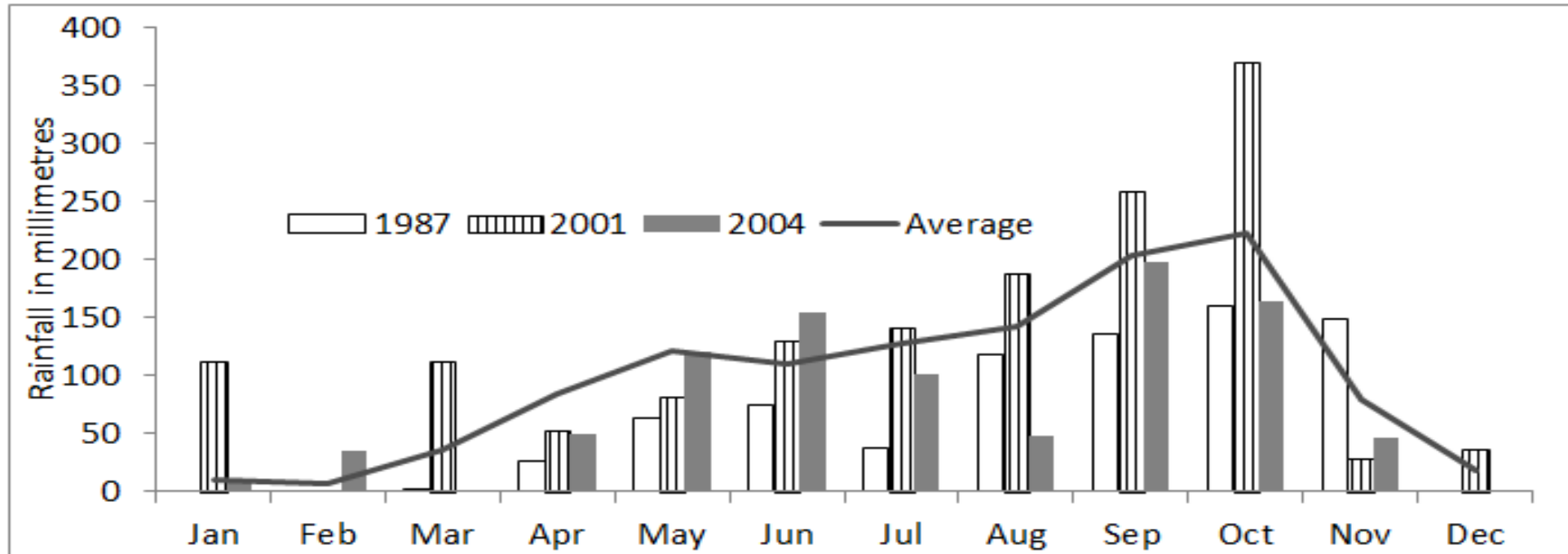


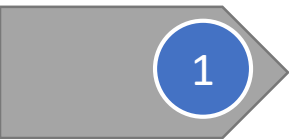
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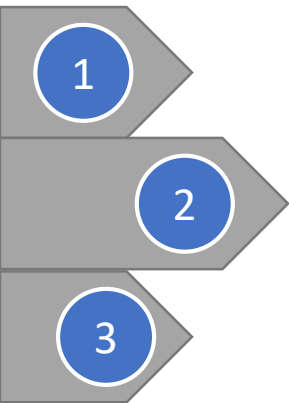
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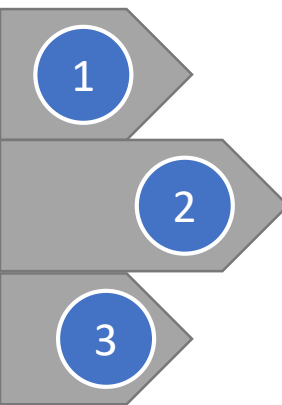


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Labor shortage

- People between age 18-45, migrate to work (Cities and abroad)
- Mixture of success and failure of migration
- Lack of labor in rural communities



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Agricultural practices

Transplanting >
labor intensive

Direct seedling >
low yield and
prone to damage
and loss

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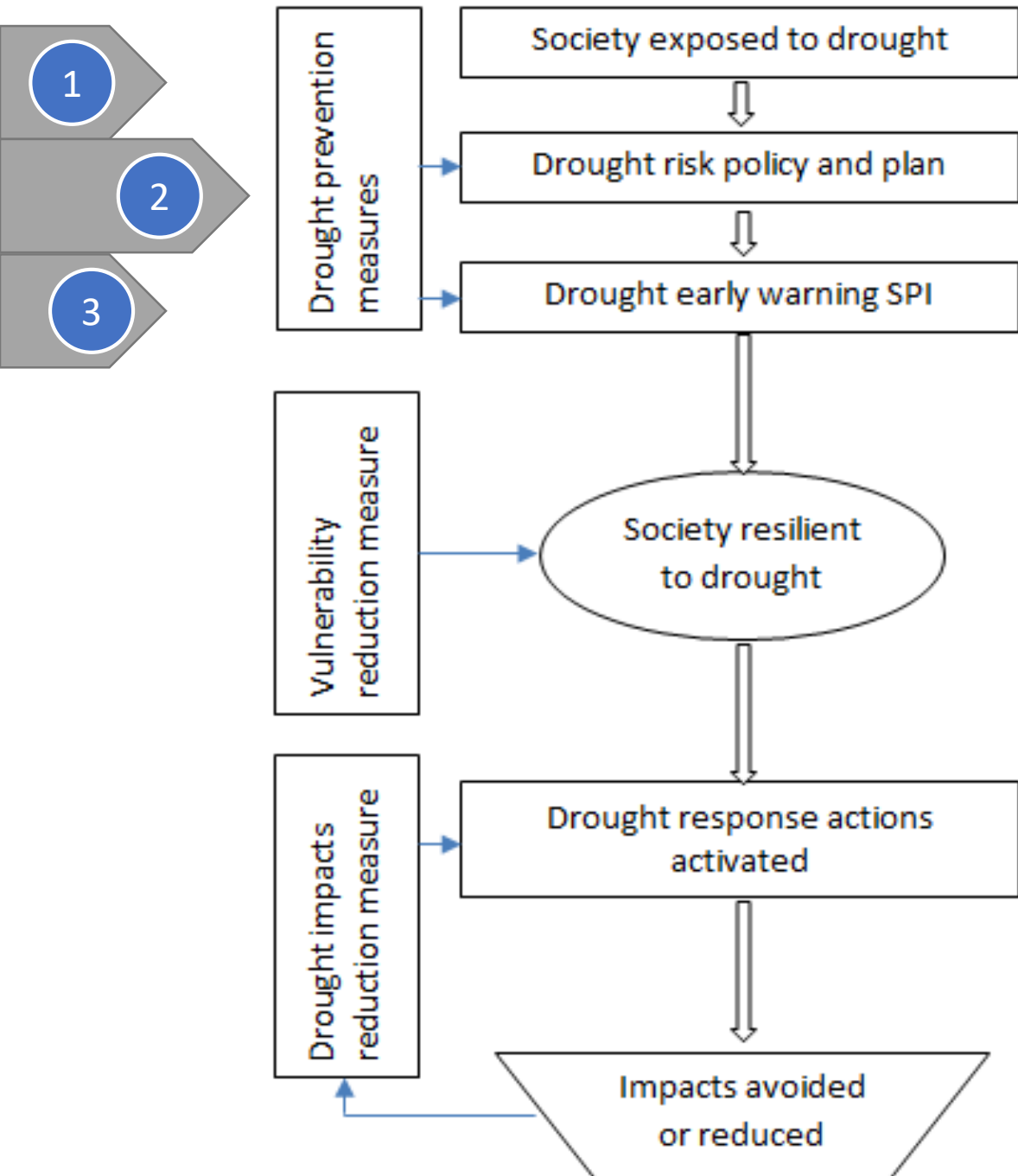
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12 percent of rice cultivation is supplementary irrigated



Mechanism to reduce slow-onset impact yet to establish

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CBA: Analytical framework

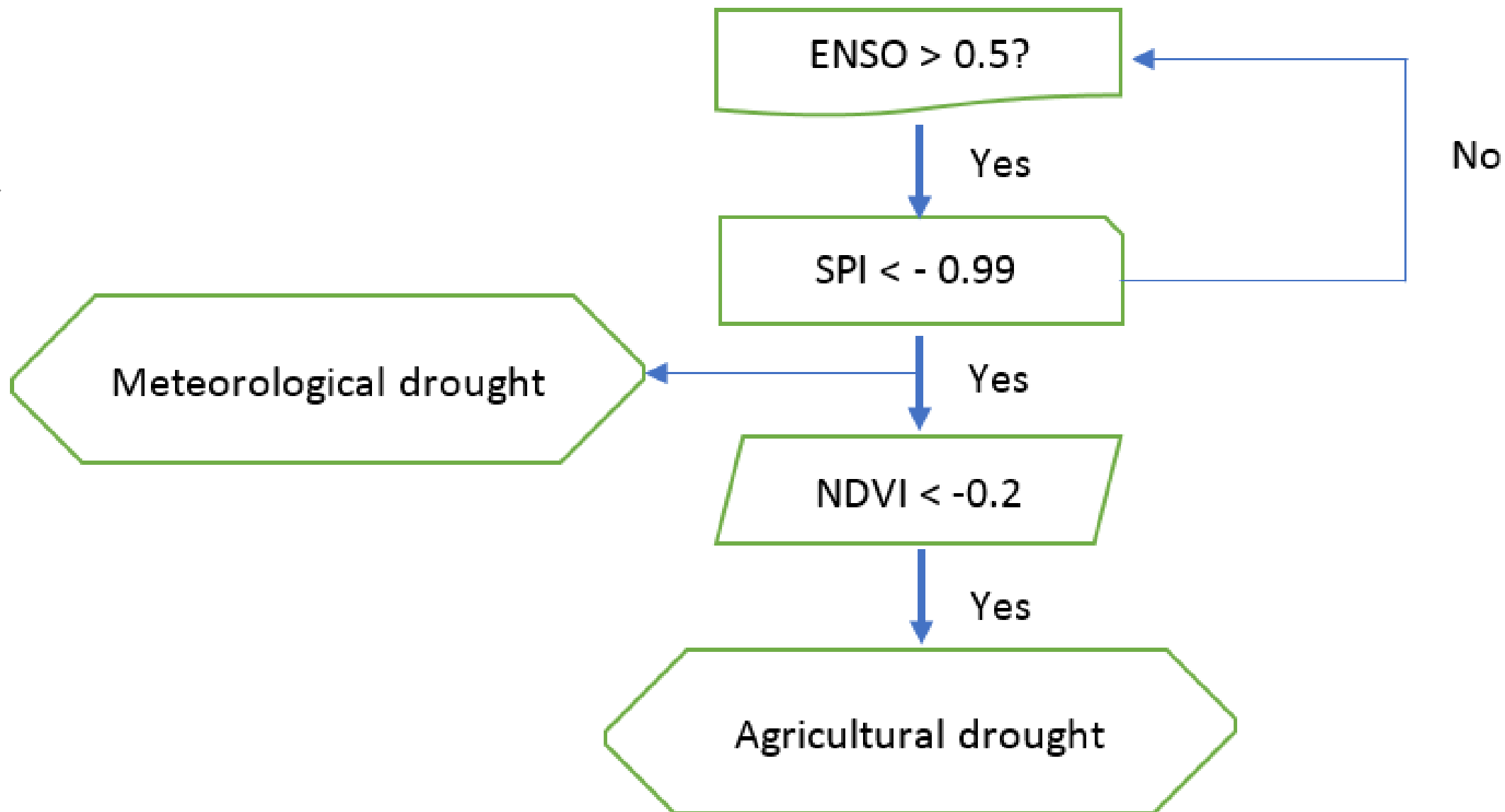
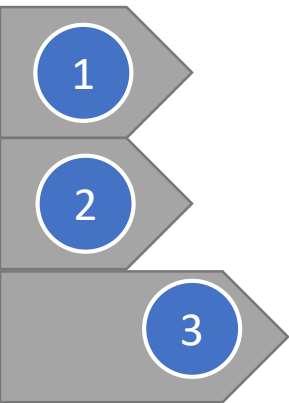
Cost and Benefit of changing crop (USD): to be studied

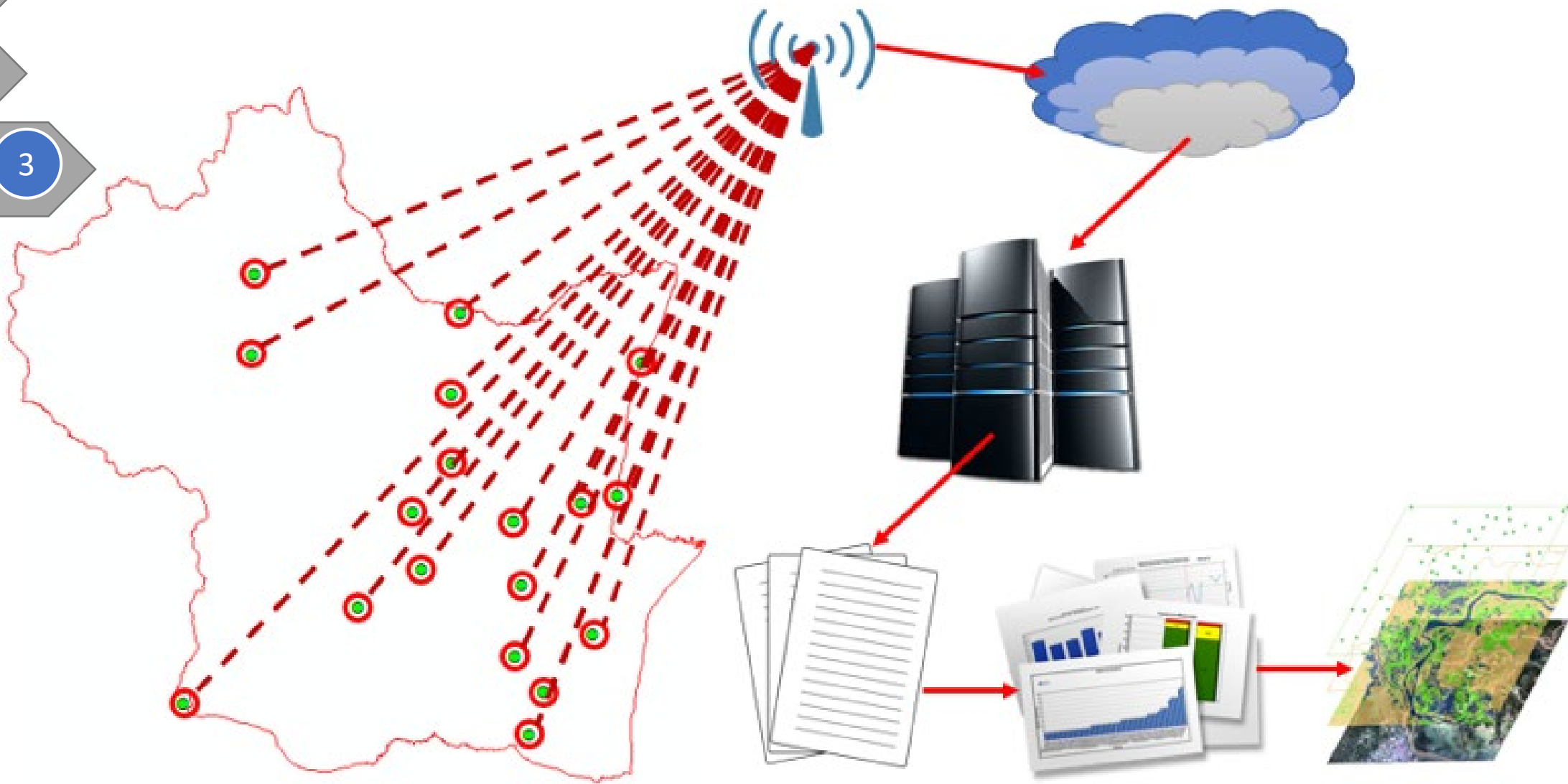
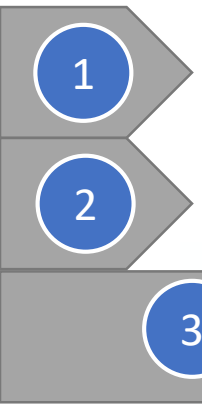
	Drought	Normal
Rice	500	800
Alternative crop (Taro)	1000	600

- We believe that early warning about drought and provide options for alternative crop for farmers will optimize the benefits during drought and normal year.
- Drought forecasting should come with suggested crops and technology for a certain locality for farmer communities and markets.

See for example: Chhinh, N., Cheb, H., Chea, B., & Heng, N. (2014). Drought Risk in Cambodia: Assessing Costs and a Potential Solution *Asian Journal of Agriculture and Development*, 11(2), 116.







Thanks so much!