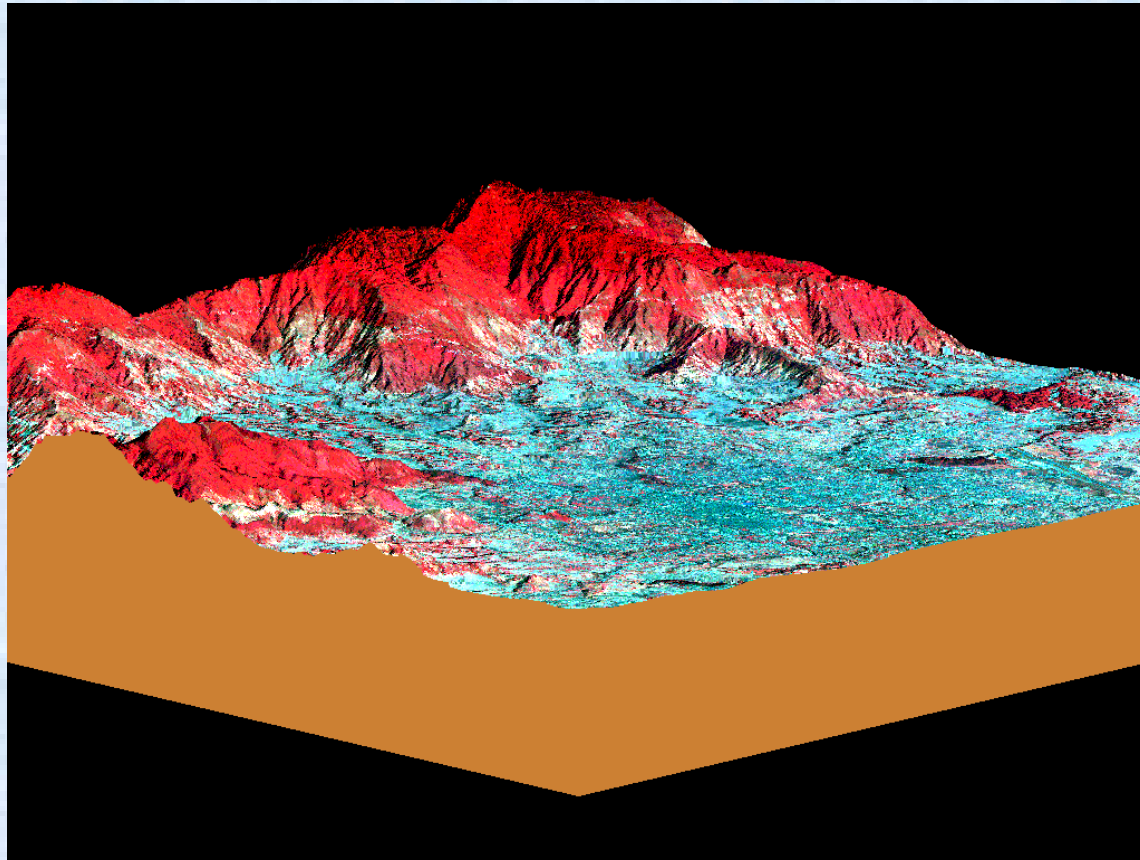


Remote Sensing

is the **science and art of acquiring information** (spectral, spatial, temporal) about material objects, area, or **phenomenon** through the analysis of data acquired by a device from measurements made at a distance, **without coming into physical contact** with the objects, area, or phenomena under investigation.

Remote Sensing



The Major Components Of Remote-sensing Technology

1. **ENERGY SOURCE** (PASSIVE SYSTEM: sun, irradiance from earth's materials; ACTIVE SYSTEM: irradiance from artificially-generated energy sources such as radar)
2. **PLATFORMS** (Vehicle to carry the sensor) (truck, aircraft, space shuttle, satellite, etc.)
3. **SENSORS** (Device to detect electro-magnetic radiation) (camera, scanner, etc)
4. **DETECTORS** (To convert electro-magnetic radiation into recorded signals) (film, silicon detectors, etc)
5. **PROCESSING** (Handling signal data) (photographic, digital, etc)
6. **INSTITUTIONALISATION** (Organization for execution at all stages of remote-sensing technology: international and national organizations, centers, universities, etc)

TYPES OF REMOTE SENSING ON THE BASIS OF ENERGY SOURCE

Passive Remote Sensing

**makes use of sensors that
detect the reflected or emitted
electro-magnetic radiation
from natural sources.**

Active Remote Sensing

makes use of sensors that detect reflected responses from objects that are irradiated from artificially-generated energy sources, such as radar.

MECHANISM OF REMOTE SENSING

Electro-magnetic remote sensing of the earth's resources

DATA ACQUISITION → DATA ANALYSIS

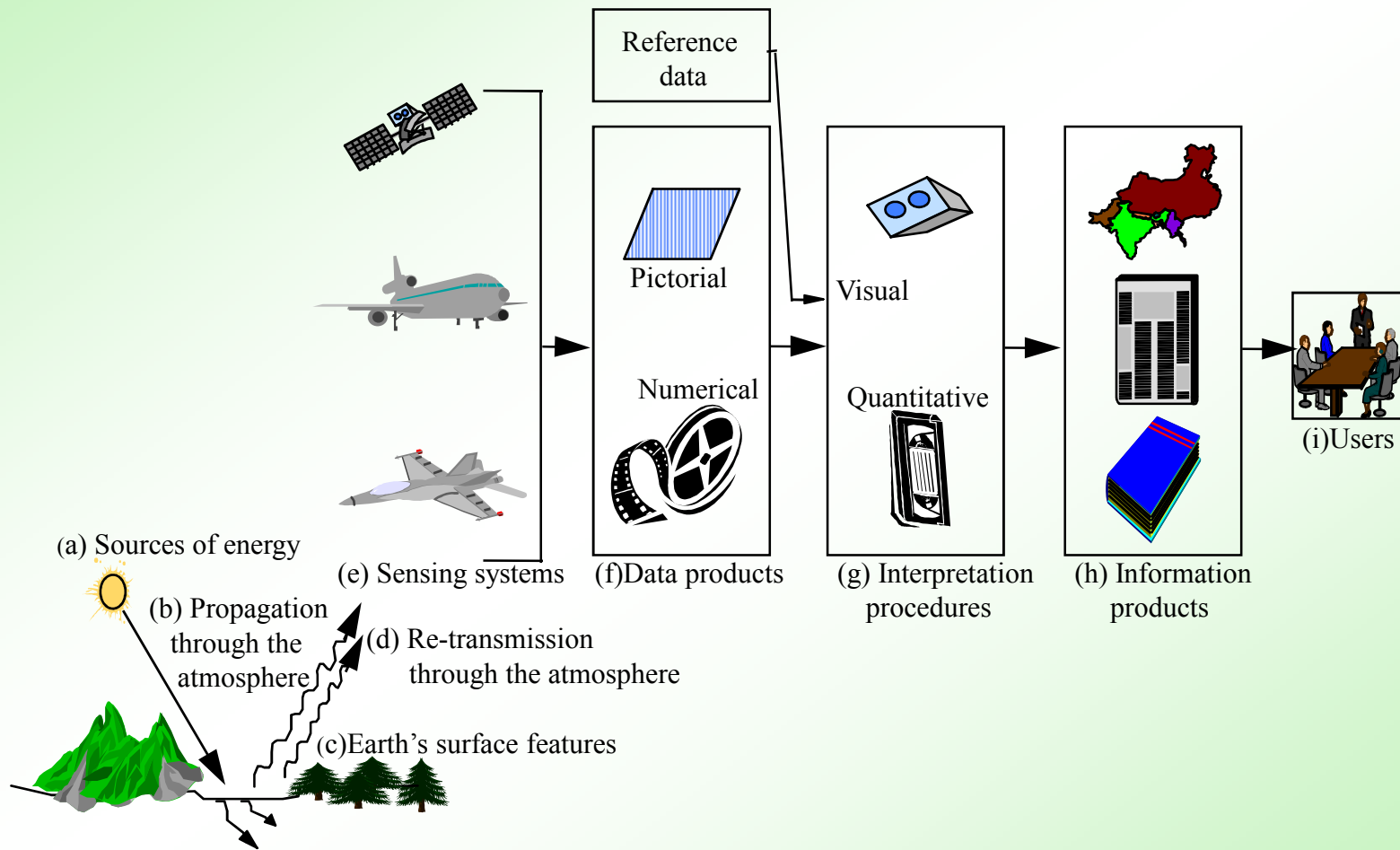
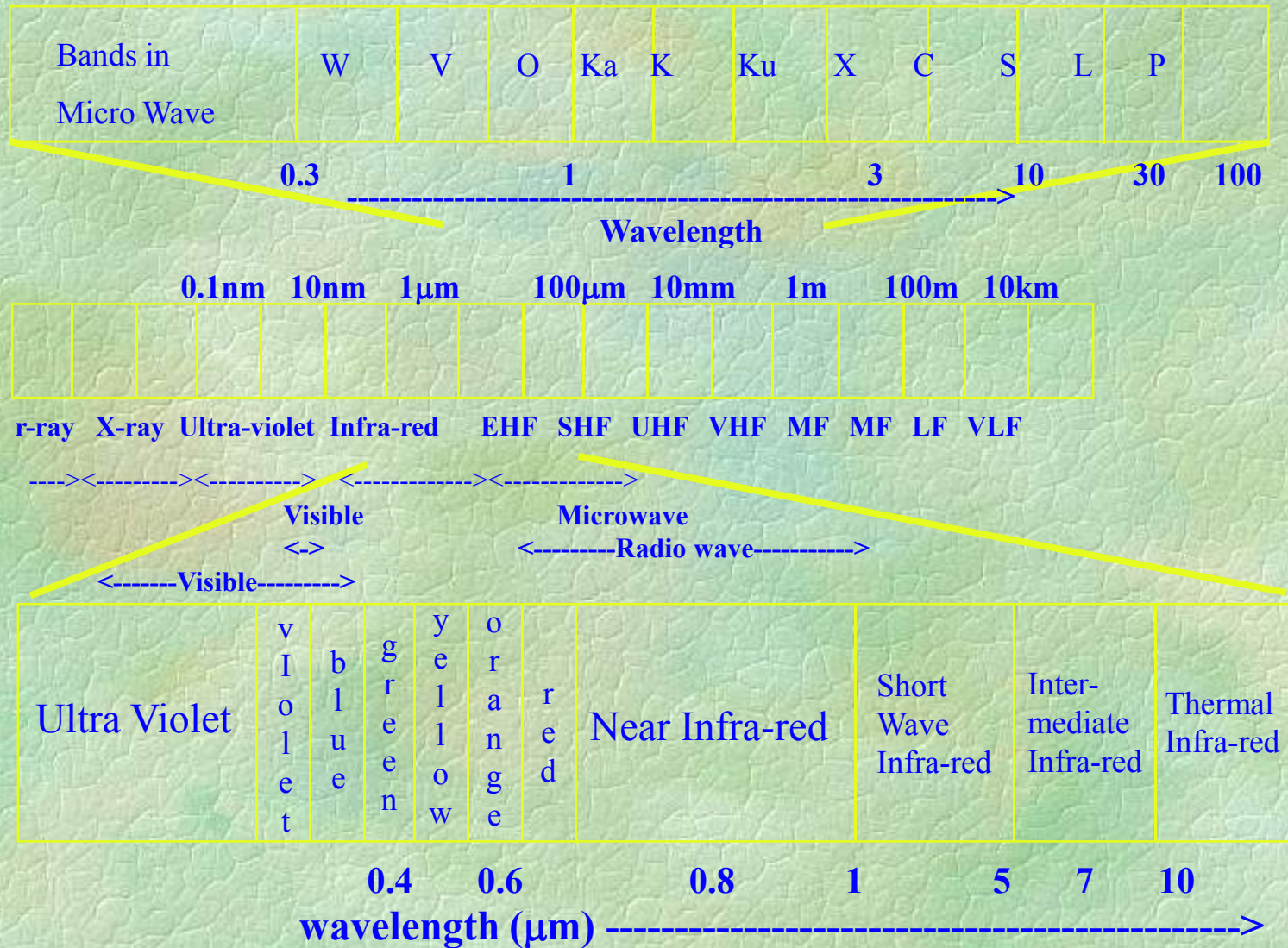


Figure 1: The Bands Used in Remote Sensing



Classification of Electro-Magnetic Radiation (EMR)

Class	Wavelength	Frequency
Ultraviolet	100 Å - 0.4 μm	750 - 3,000 THz
Visible	0.4 - 0.7 μm	430 - 750 THz
(Infrared)	0.7 - 1.3 μm	230 - 430 THz
Near Infrared	1.3 - 3 μm	100 - 230 THz
Intermediate Infrared	3 - 8 μm	38 - 100 THz
Thermal Infrared	8 - 14 μm	22 - 38 THz
Far Infrared	14 μm - 1 mm	0.3 - 22 THz
(Radio wave) Sub-millimeter	0.1 - 1 mm	0.3 - 3 THz
(Radio wave) Microwave :		
Millimeter (EHF)	1 - 10 mm	30 - 300 GHz
Centimeter (SHF)	1 - 10 cm	3 - 30 GHz
Decimeter (UHF)	0.1 - 1 m	0.3 - 3 THz
(Radio wave)		
Very Short-Wave (VHF)	1 - 10 m	30 - 300 MHz
Short-Wave (HF)	10 - 100 m	3 - 30 MHz
Medium Wave (MF)	0.1 - 1 km	0.3 - 3 MHz
Long-wave (LF)	1 - 10 km	30 - 300 kHz
Very Long-wave (VLF)	10 - 100 km	3 - 30 kHz

Region	Wavelength	Remarks
Gamma Ray	<0.03 nm	Incoming radiation is completely absorbed by the atmosphere and is not available for remote sensing.
X-ray	0.03 to 3.0 nm	Completely absorbed by the atmosphere and is not available for remote sensing.
Ultraviolet	0.03 to 0.4 μm	Incoming wavelengths less than 0.3 μm are absorbed by ozone in the upper atmosphere.
Photographic UV band	0.3 to 0.4 μm	Transmitted through the atmosphere. Detected by photo-detectors, but atmospheric scattering is significant.
Visible	0.4 to 0.7 μm	Imaged with film and photo-detectors. The energy peak of earth is at 0.5 μm .
Infrared	0.7 to 100 μm	Interaction with matter varies with wavelength. Transmission windows are separated by absorption bands.
Reflected IR band	0.7 to 3.0 μm	Reflected solar radiation that contains information about the thermal properties of materials. The band is detectable with film and is called the <i>photo-IR</i> band.
Thermal IR band	3 to 5 μm 8 to 14 μm	Principal atmospheric windows in the thermal IR region. Images at these wavelengths are acquired by thermal scanners and special videocon systems, but are not available for remote sensing.
Microwave	0.1 to 30 cm	Longer wavelengths can penetrate clouds. Images may be acquired in the active or passive mode.
Radar	0.1 to 30 cm	Active form of microwave remote sensing. Images are acquired at various wavelength bands.
Radio	>30 cm	Longest wavelength portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. Some classified radar with very long wavelengths is used for remote sensing.

Platforms

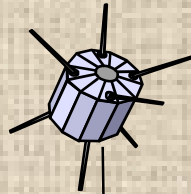
The vehicles or carriers for remote sensors are called the platforms. Typical examples of platforms are satellites and aircraft, but they can also include radio-controlled aeroplanes, balloons, kites for low altitude remote sensing, as well as ladder trucks or ground investigations. The key factor for the selection of a platform is the altitude that determines the ground resolution and which is also dependent on the instantaneous field of view (IFOV) of the sensor on board the platform.

Remote-Sensing Platforms

Orbit Elevation

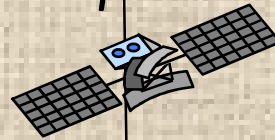
Platforms

36,000 km



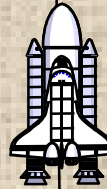
GMS
(Geostationary Satellite)

1,000km



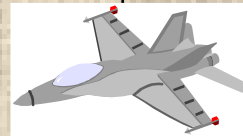
LANDSAT, MOS,
SPOT

500km



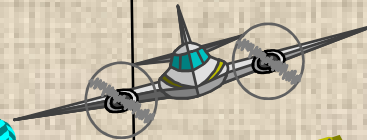
SPACE SHUTTLE

240 - 350 km



HIGH ALTITUDE
JETPLANE

10,000 - 12,000m



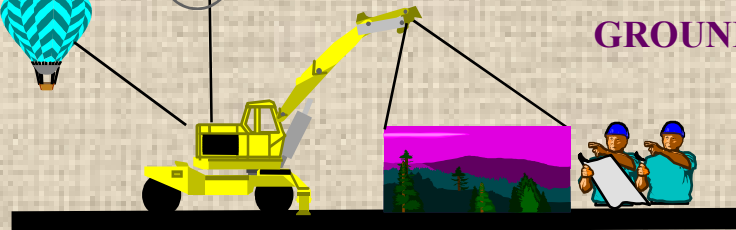
LOW & MIDDLE
ALTITUDE
AIRPLANE

1,200 - 3,500m



100KM-100M
RADIO SOUND

GROUND TRUTH



Platform Types And Observation Objects

Platform	Altitude	Observation
geostationary satellite	36,000km	fixed point observation
circular orbit satellite (earth observation)	500km - 1,000km	regular observation
space shuttle	240km - 350km	irregular observation space experiment
radio - sound	100m - 100km	various investigations (meteorological, etc)
high altitude jet-plane	10km -12km	reconnaissance wide area investigations
low or middle altitude plane	500m - 8,000m	various aero investigation surveys
helicopter	100m- 2,000m	various aero investigation surveys
radio-controlled plane	below 500m	various aero investigation surveys
hang-plane	50 - 500m	various aero investigation surveys
hang-balloon	800m -	various investigations
cable	10 - 40m	archaeological investigations
crane car	5 - 50m	close range surveys
ground measurement car	0 - 30m	ground truth

The Generation of Satellite Images : a combination of satellite orbit, earth rotation and sensor design

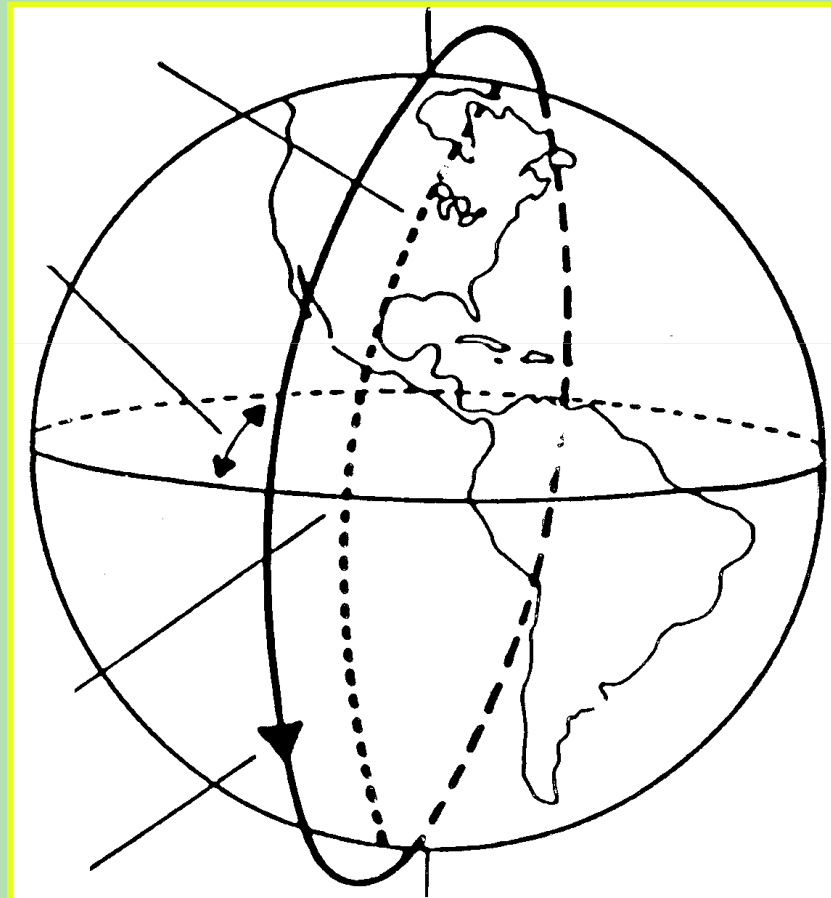
Landsat 4/5 Orbit

GROUND TRACK

INCLINATION = 98.2°

TIME OF DAY = 9:45AM
(Local)

DIRECTION OF TRAVEL

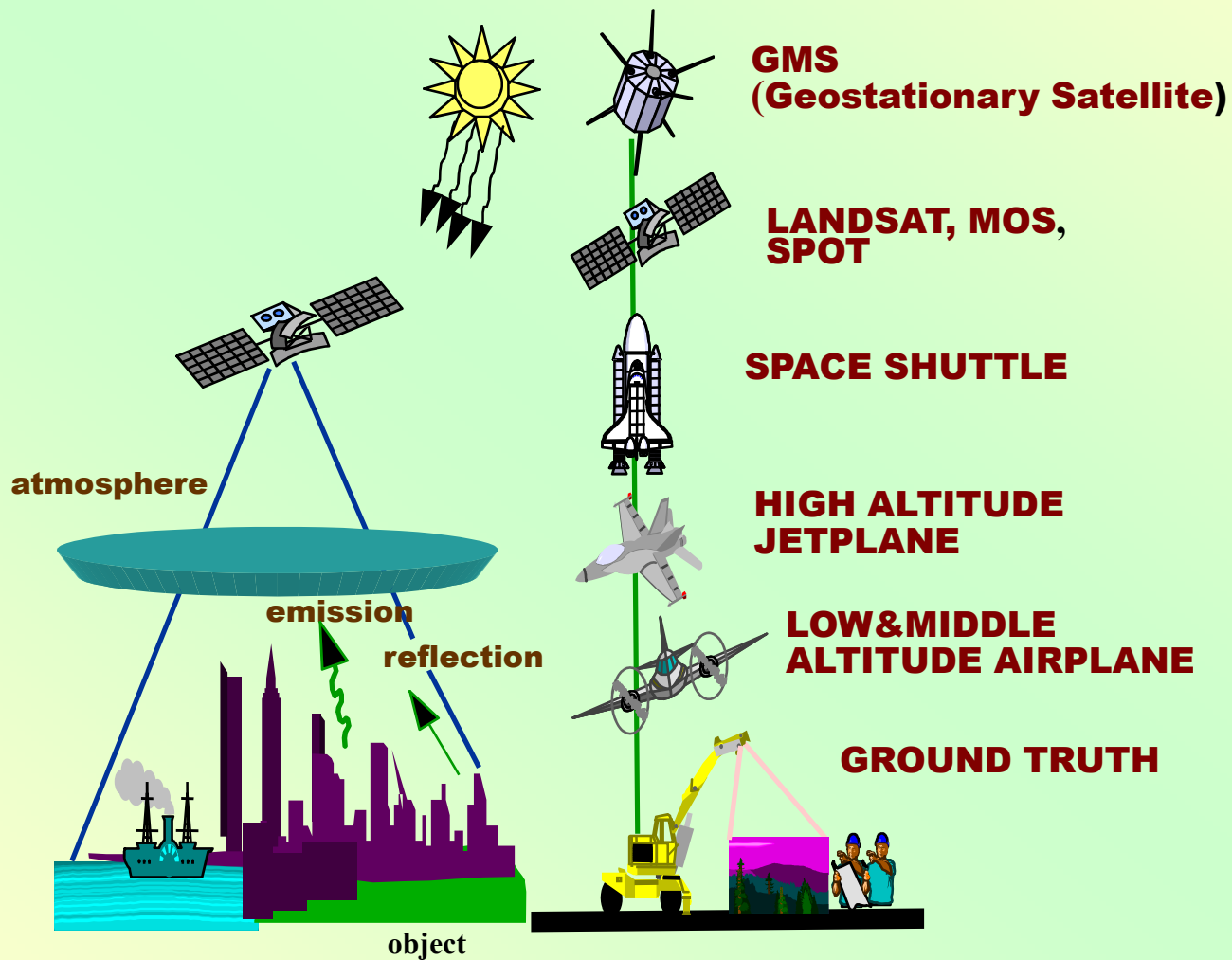


ALTITUDE = 705 KM
(Nominal)

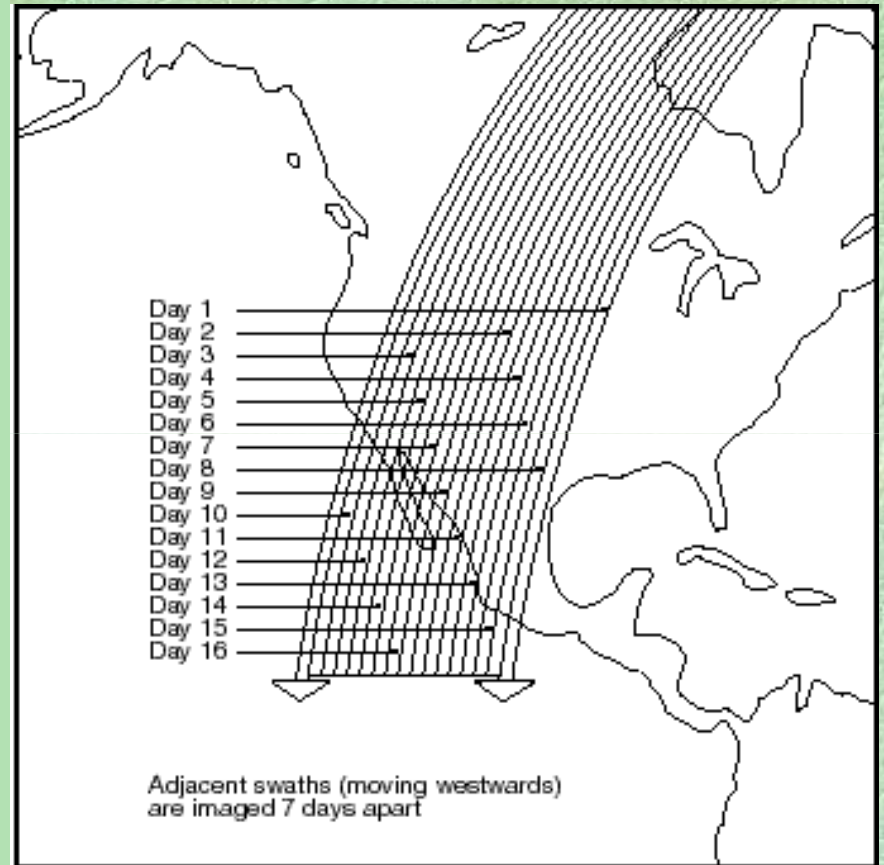
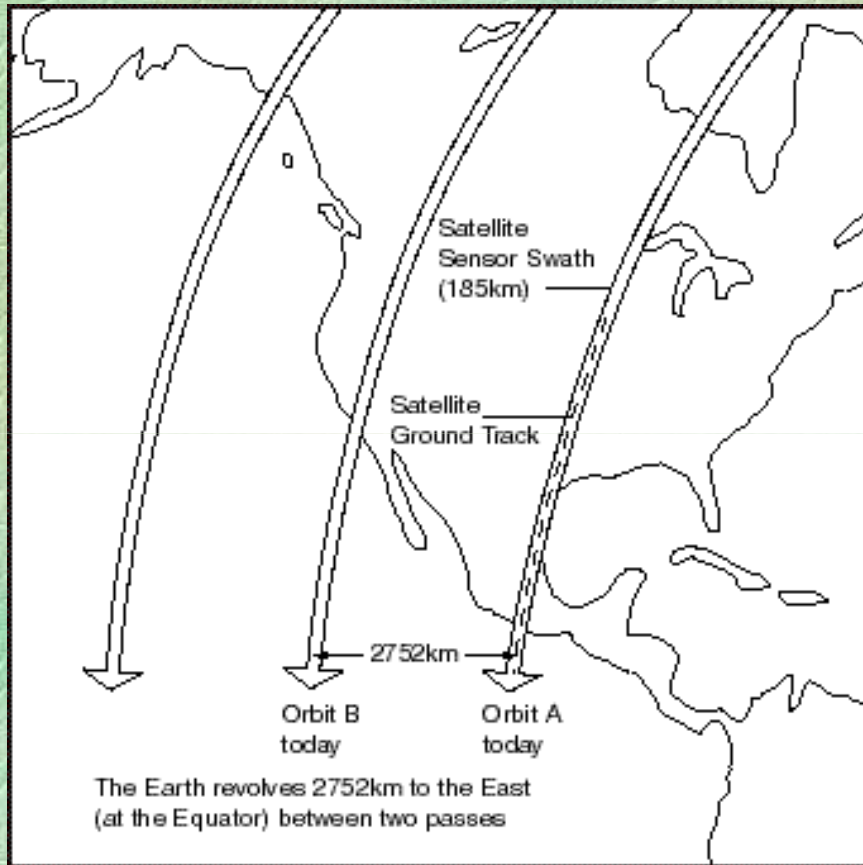
ORBIT PERIOD = 98.9 MINUTES

Remote Sensing

Platforms with Sensor on board



Landsat 4/5 Swathing Pattern



APPLICATION OF GIS/RS

In Pakistan

❑ LAND-USE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

- ❖ Property Registration & Development
- ❖ Use of parcels during different years (For diff crops)
- ❖ Owner changes & keeping up to date record
- ❖ Developmental plans like Peshawar Master plans
- ❖ Urban Planning and management

Survey of Pakistan, SUPARCO, Peshawar Development Authority, Capital Development Authority, Planning Environment & Development AJK)

APPLICATION OF GIS/RS

- **OIL & MINERAL EXPLORATION**

(O.G.D.C, Oil companies, GSP)

- **management of water resources (WAPDA)**

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- **natural hazard mapping (NESPAK)**

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APPLICATION OF GIS/RS

□ NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

- ❖ Forestry and Wildlife Management
- ❖ Changes between different years
- ❖ Causes of deforestation and recent most activities
- ❖ Propose steps to reclaim forest area
- ❖ Migration of birds from one region to another, their routes, causes and impact on the landuse

(FOREST MANAGEMENT CENTRE, PAKISTAN FOREST INSTITUTE, AKRSP, WWF, ICIMOD Nepal)

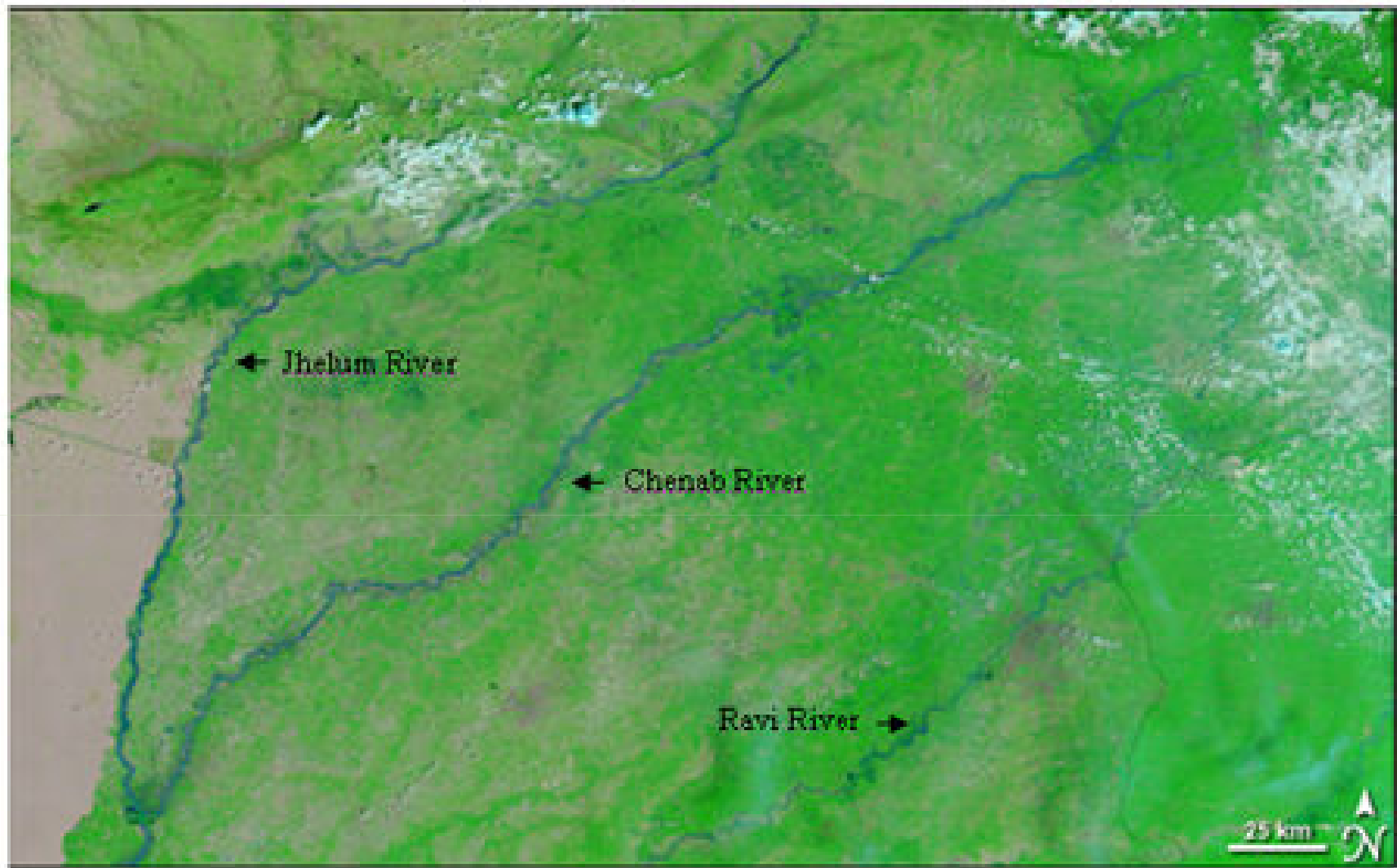
APPLICATION OF GIS/RS

SOCIO-ECONOMIC SURVEY & MAPPING

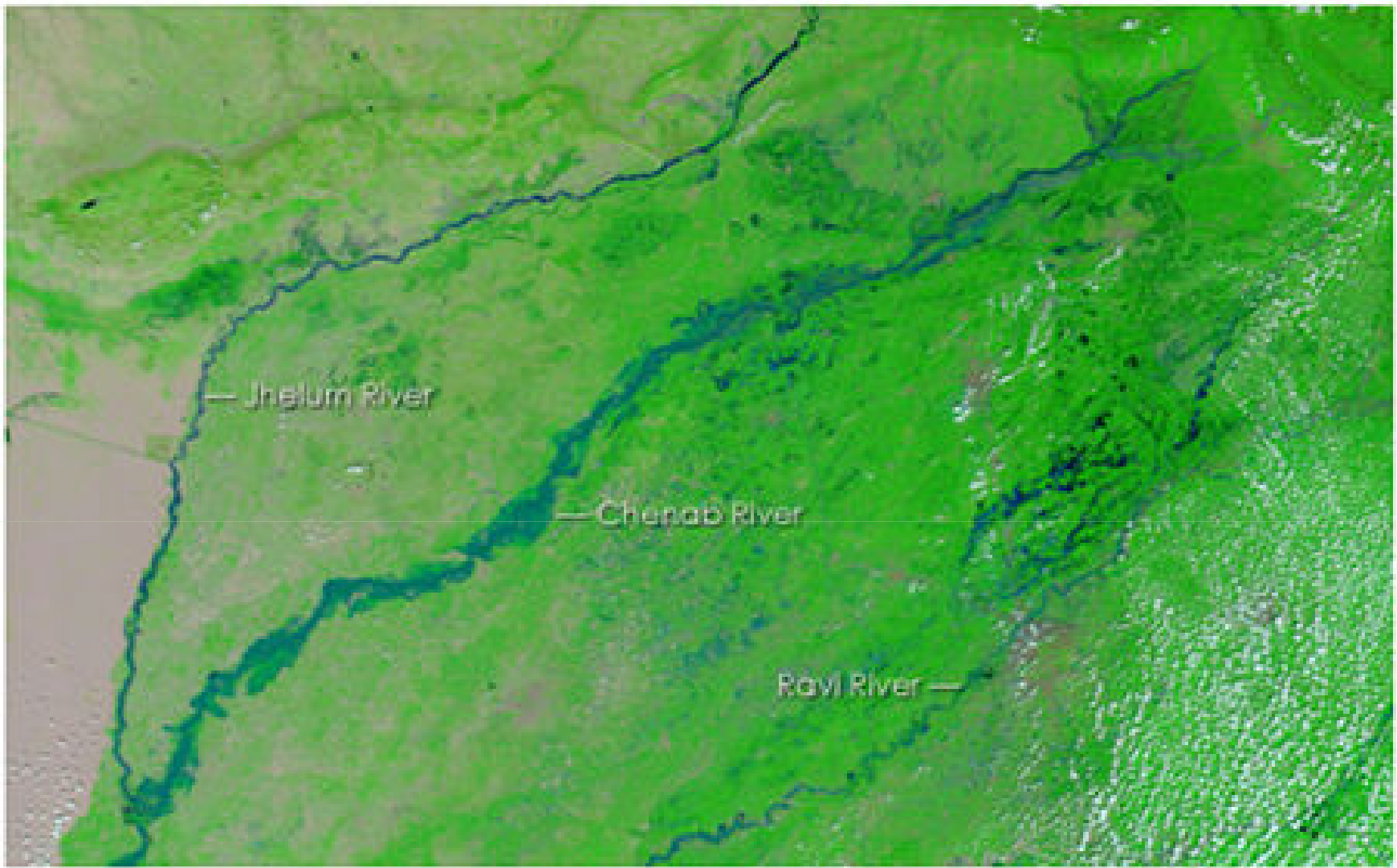
•(S.O.P & Primary education project in NWFP, Baluchistan, Sind, N.As & A.K.)

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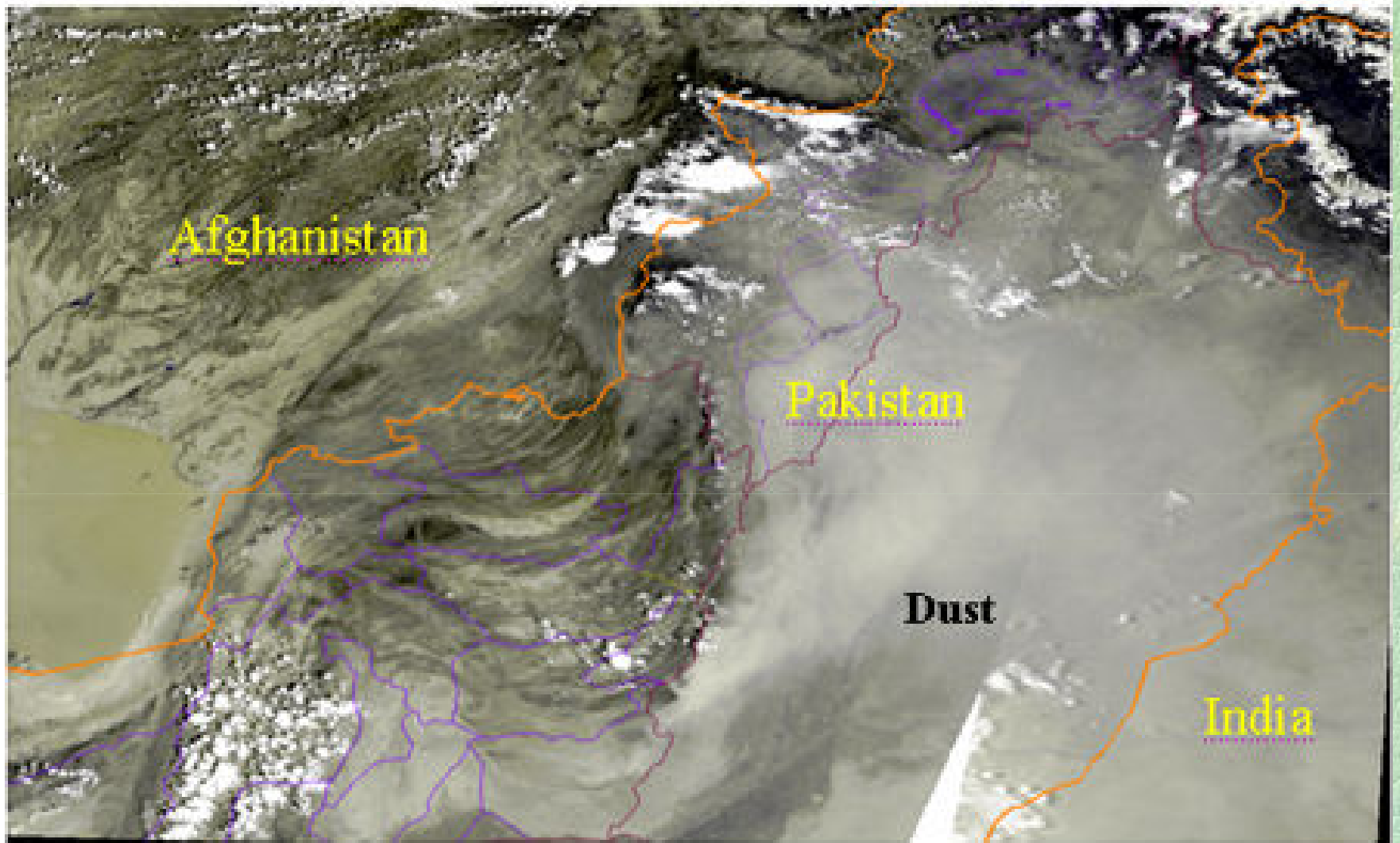
- **Educational Institution** NCE In Geology, University of Peshawar, GIS Centre Punjab University and Brunel College for distance learning Islamabad/Rawalpindi, Environmental Sciences and Geography Departments in University of Peshawar.



Pre-Flooded Image, August 25, 2006

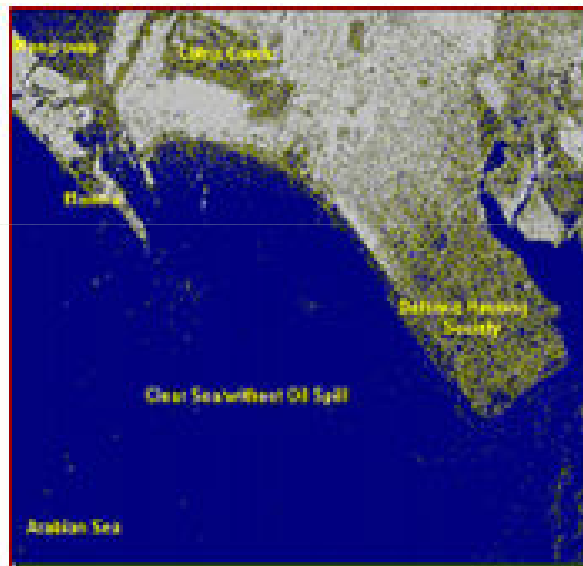


Post Flooded Image September 5, 2006

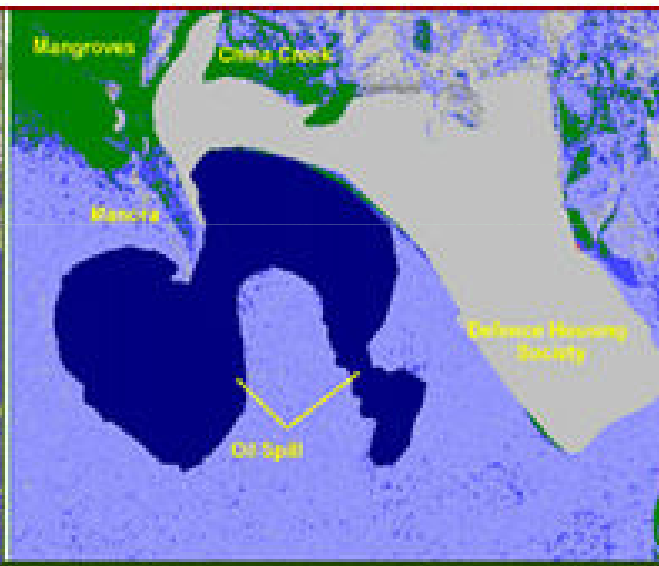


MODIS image showing Dust Storm sweeping thru Pakistan on 22 May 2006

Oil Spill at Karachi Coast On 14 August 2003 an oil tanker carrying 67,000 tons of crude oil, faced an accident and released about 30,000 tons of crude oil near the Karachi coast. The images given below are show the gradual dispersion of the oil spill.



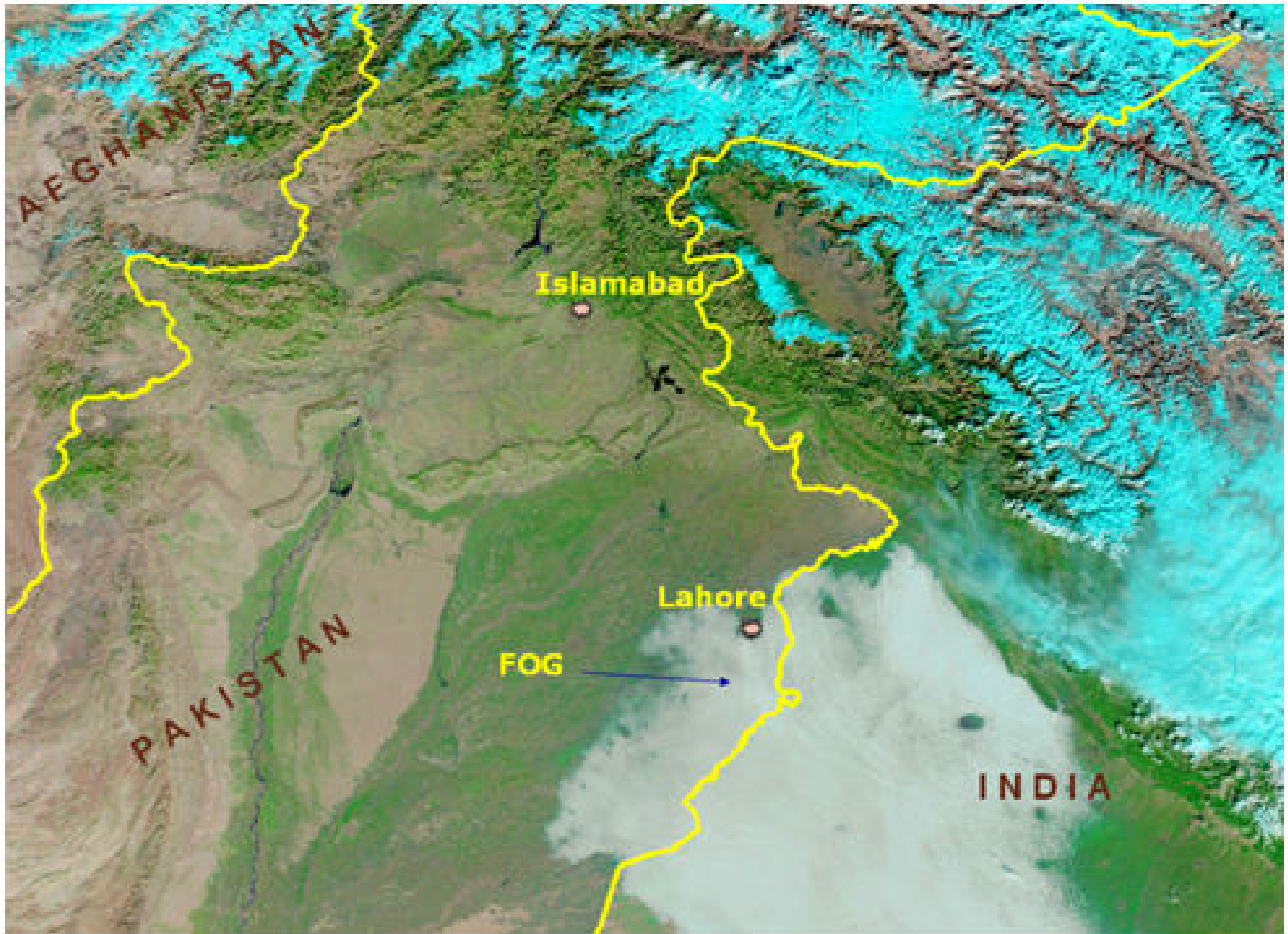
October 2001:
Clear Sea
without oil spill



19 August 2003: 5 days
after accident, oil spill
spread around
36 sq km



12 Dec 2003:
image shows
reduced Level of
oil spill ~ 9 sq km



MODIS Image showing fog on 4 January 2006