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# **Effects of Land use/Land Cover Change on Surface Urban Heat Island Intensity in Phnom Penh**

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# 1. Introduction

## Problem Statements

What would happen if the city becomes hotter?



- Urban heat island effect
- Health risks
- Energy demand
- Water scarcity
- Air quality
- Infrastructure stress
- Ecosystem disruption



### Objectives

Generate land use/land cover and land surface temperature map using remote sensing technique

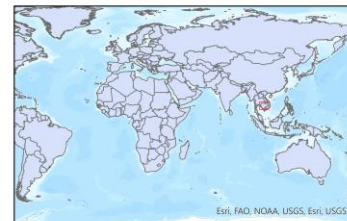
Study the effects of land use/land cover change on land surface temperature and surface urban heat island intensity

## 2. Methodology

### Site Description and Data collection

Phnom Penh capital:






- Area: 684 km<sup>2</sup>
  - Population: 2.3 millions citizens (2023)
  - Population density: 5700/km<sup>2</sup> (2023)
  - Dry season: (December to May)
  - Rainy season: (June to November)
  - Temperature: minimum 18°C to maximum 35°C
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- **All dataset were collected from open access data such as U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and Copernicus**



Date	Satellite	Scene Center Time	Cloud (%)
20/08/2015	Sentinel 2	03:15:36.027Z	26.74
22/03/2019	Sentinel 2	03:15:41.024Z	4.27
06/03/2023	Sentinel 2	03:16:19.025Z	0.89
16/02/2015	Landsat 8	03:19:50.0454310Z	4.46
15/03/2019	Landsat 8	03:19:37.2123530Z	5.24
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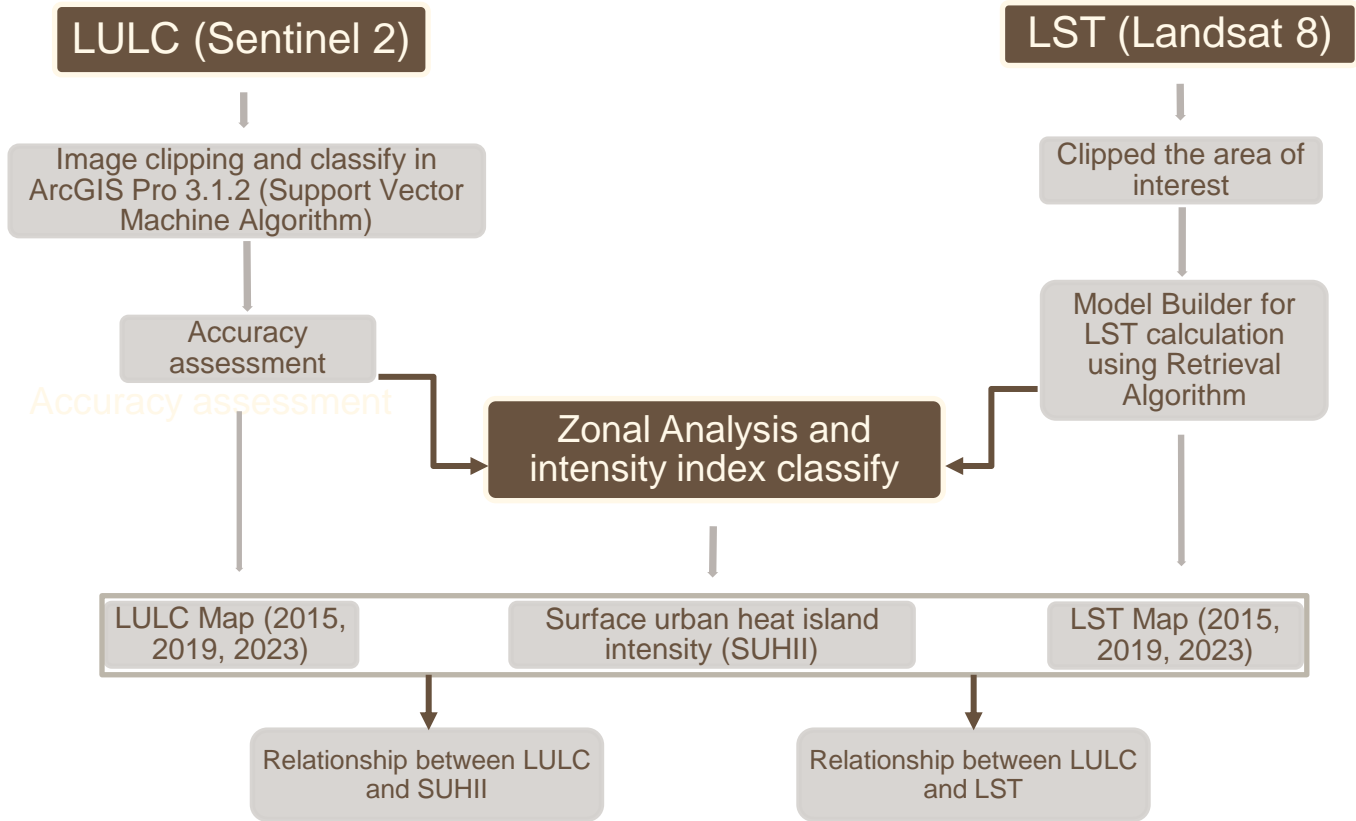
## 2. Methodology (Cont.)

### 5 classes of LULC were classified

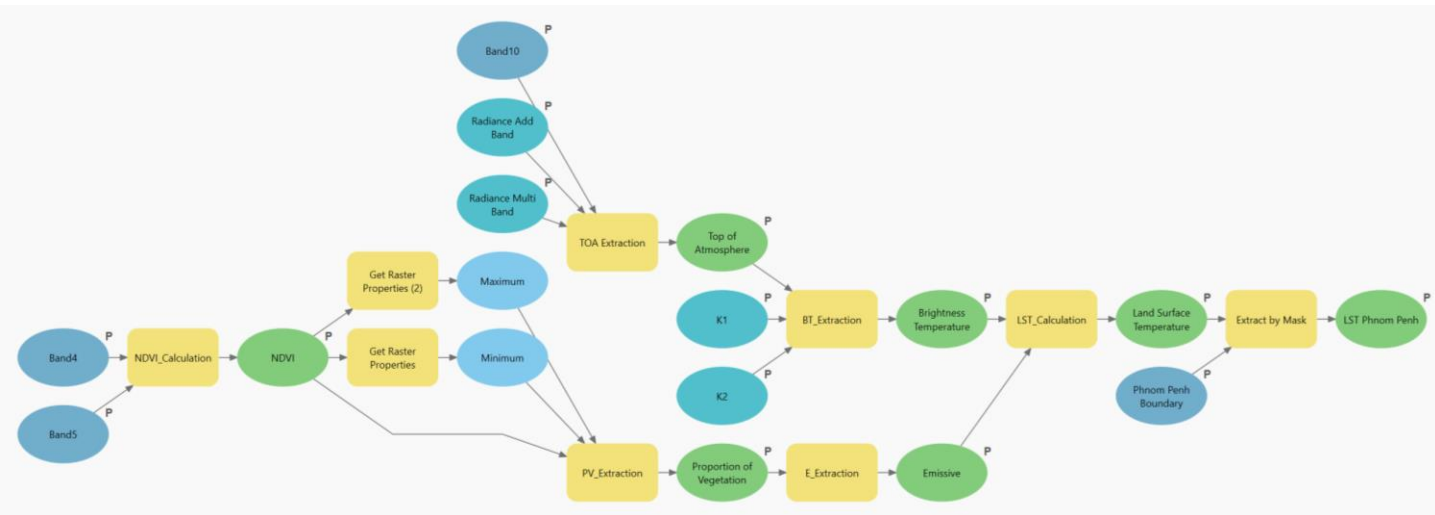
Class	Definition	Image
Water	Areas where water was predominantly present throughout the year; may not cover areas with sporadic or ephemeral water; contains little to no sparse vegetation, no rock outcrop nor built up features like docks; examples: rivers, ponds, lakes, oceans, flooded salt plains.	
Built-up areas	Human made structures; major road and rail networks; large homogenous impervious surfaces including parking structures, office buildings and residential housing; examples: houses, dense villages / towns / cities, paved roads, asphalt.	
Bare ground	Areas of rock or soil with very sparse to no vegetation for the entire year; large areas of sand and deserts with no to little vegetation; examples: exposed rock or soil, desert and sand dunes, dry salt flats/pans, dried lake beds, mines.	
Green areas	Land that is significantly covered by vegetation. This can include: Trees, Flooded vegetation, and urban green space.	
Agricultural land	Human planted/plotted cereals, grasses, and crops not at tree height; examples: corn, rice fields, soy, fallow plots of structured land.	

## 2. Methodology (Cont.)

### Research flow chart



# Model Builder for LST calculation using Retrieval Algorithm



Use Band (4, 5, 10) for Landsat8



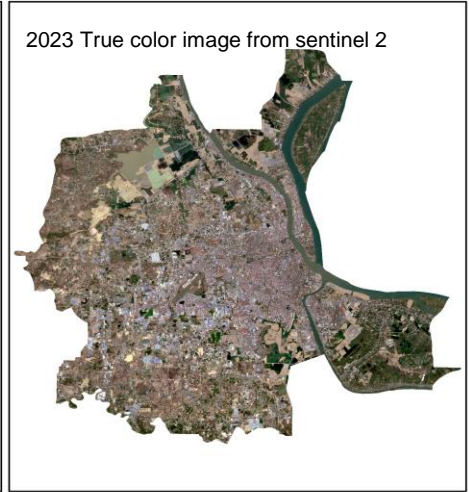
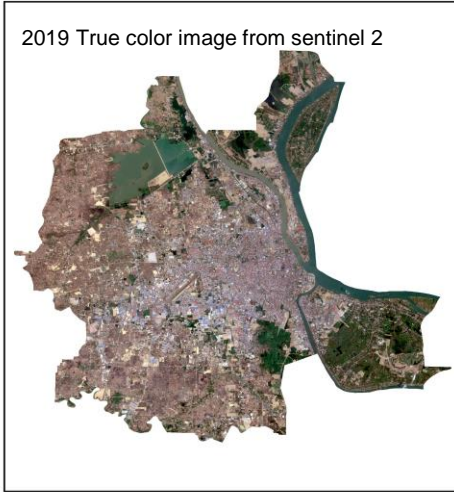
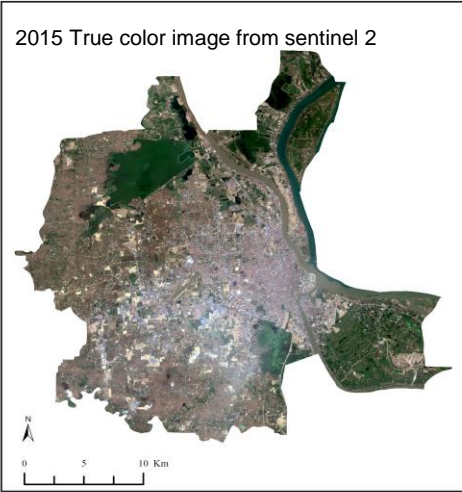
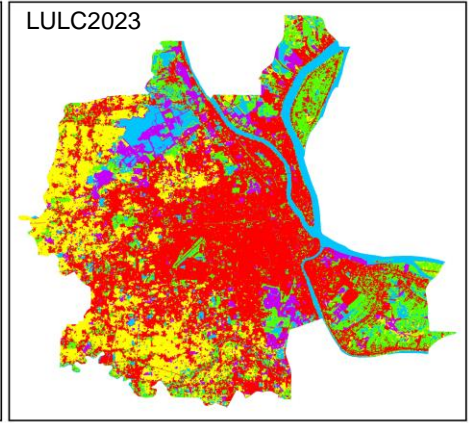
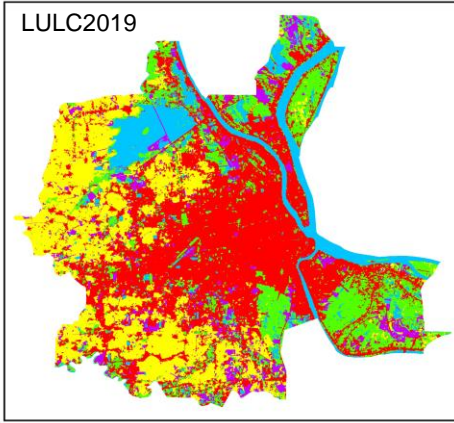
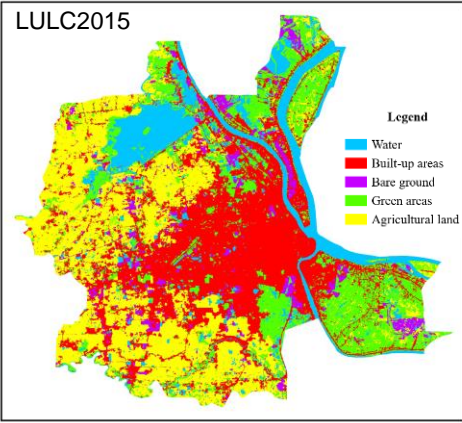
## Accuracy assessment results

Year	Overall ACC	Kappa Coef.	Producer's ACC					User's ACC				
			Water	Built-up areas	Bare ground	Green areas	Agricultural land	Water	Built-up areas	Bare ground	Green areas	Agricultural land
2015	92%	0.89	96%	96%	74%	87%	95%	93%	88%	94%	98%	96%
2019	91%	0.88	97%	98%	85%	84%	86%	97%	86%	94%	93%	94%
2023	93%	0.90	93%	96%	86%	89%	91%	93%	95%	95%	91%	89%

- According to Monserud and Leemans (1992) the degree of agreement is excellent when the value of accuracy is range from 0.85 to 0.99
- The overall accuracy assessment of each year is reliable which they are 92%, 91% and 93% in 2015, 2019, 2023 respectively

### 3. Results and discussion (Cont.)

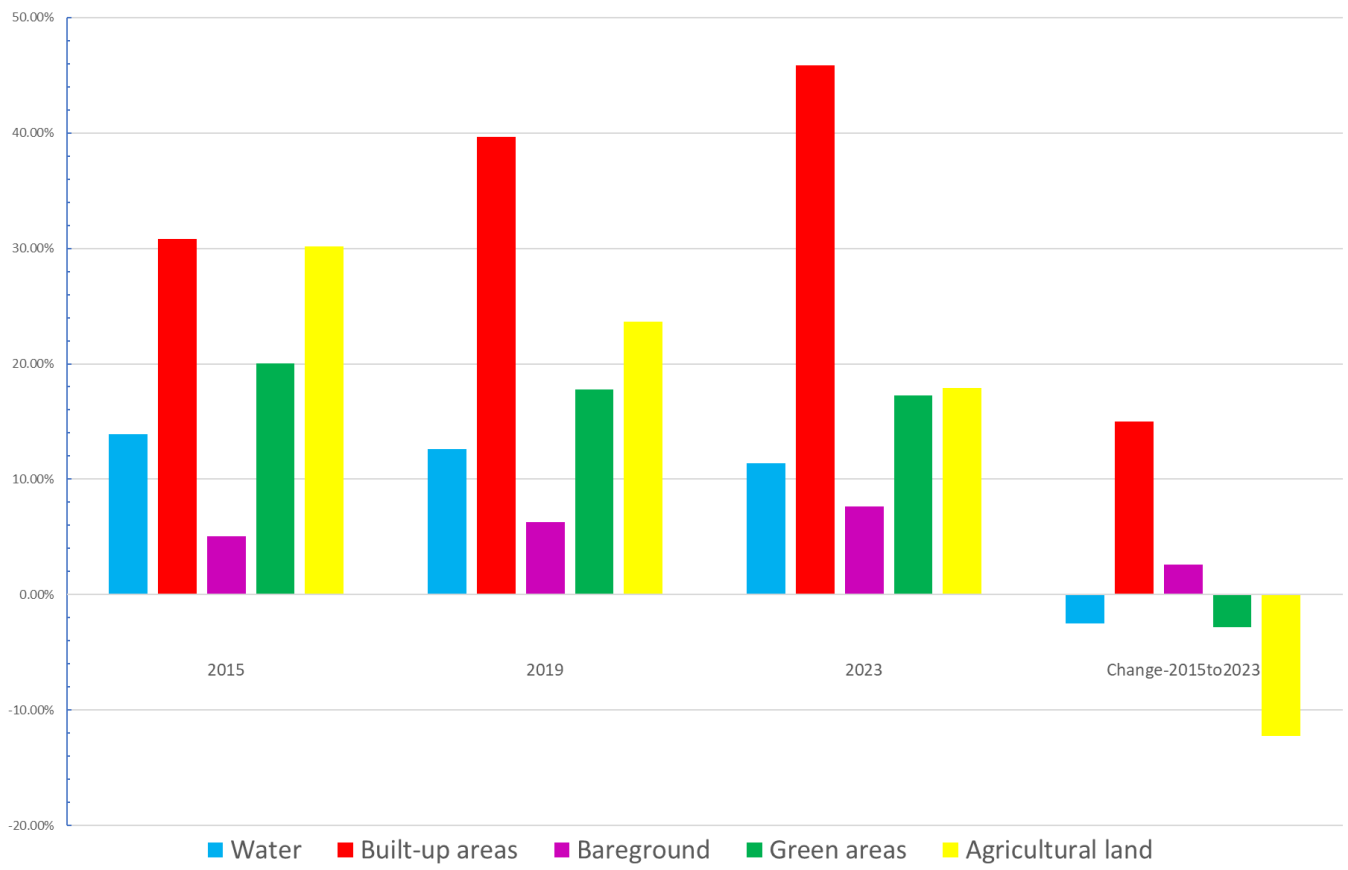
#### Land Use/Land Cover Maps (2015-2023)



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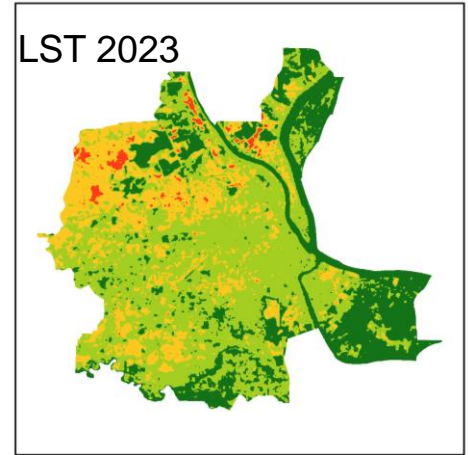
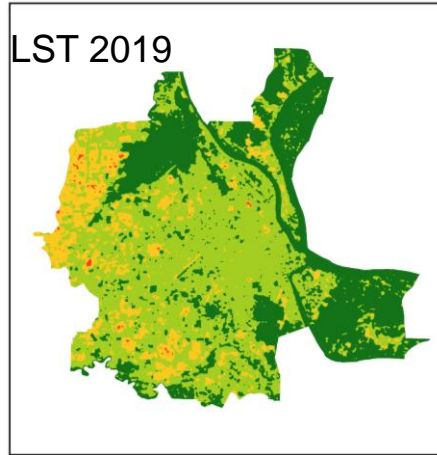
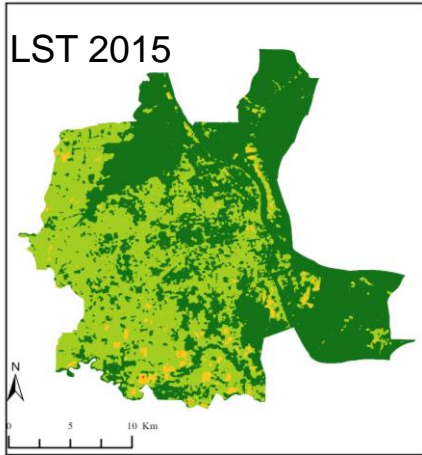


LULC change from 2015 to 2023



### 3. Results and discussion (Cont.)

#### Land Surface Temperature Maps (2015-2023)



LST Change from 2015 to 2023

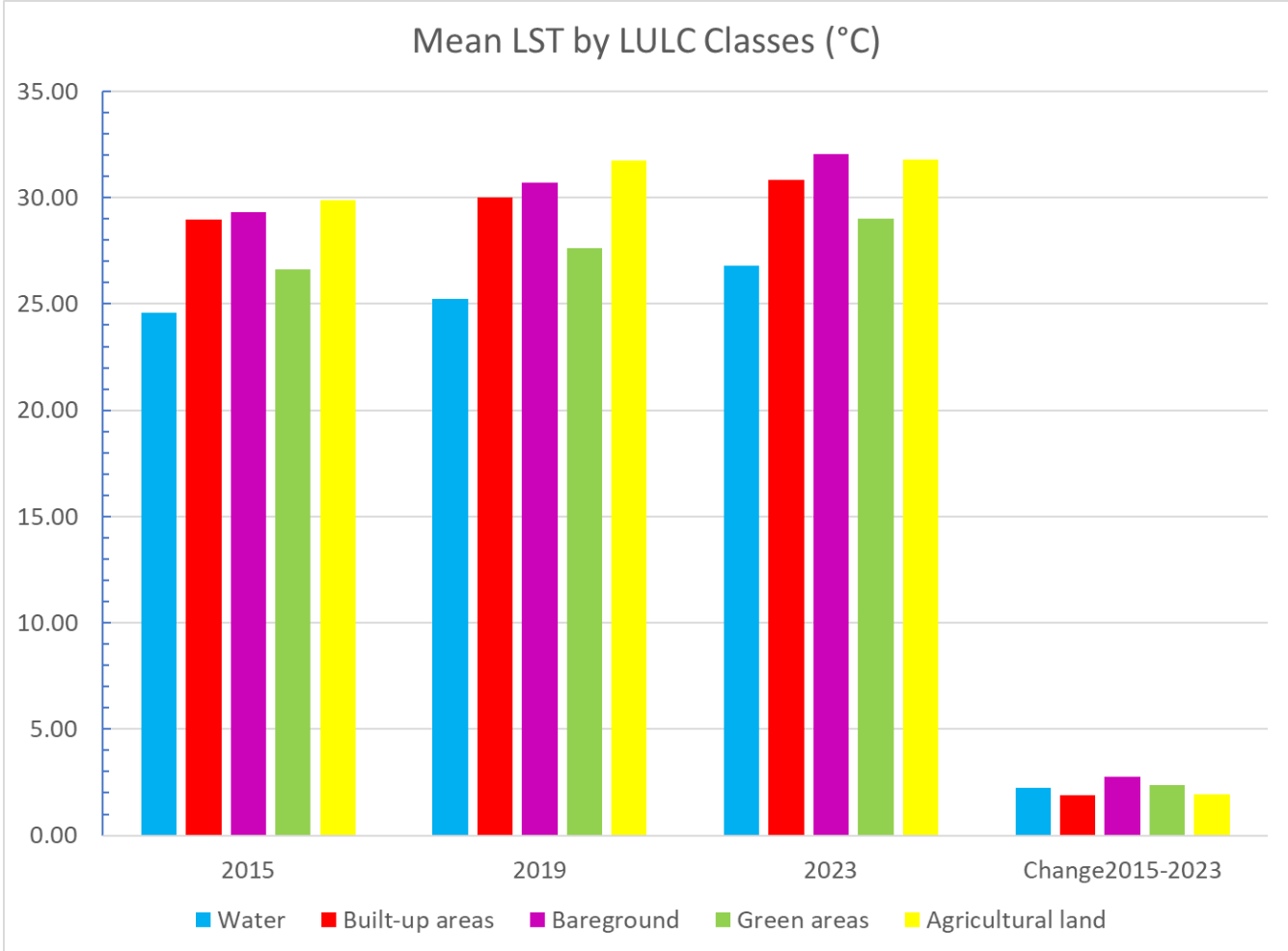


Class (°C)	2015	2019	2023	Change2015-2023
≤28	54.50%	35.94%	26.76%	-27.74%
29-31	43.24%	50.81%	49.90%	6.66%
32-34	2.25%	12.90%	21.91%	19.67%
≥35	0.01%	0.35%	1.43%	1.41%

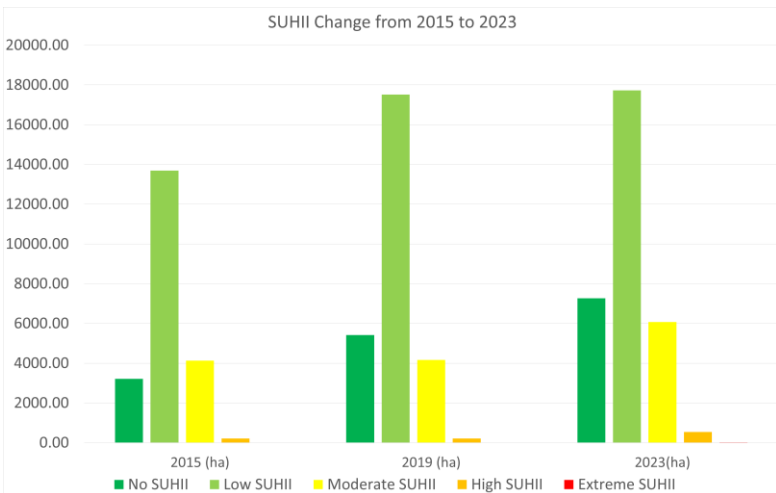
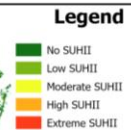
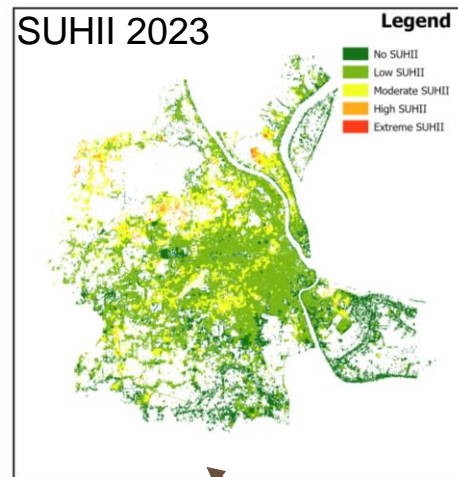
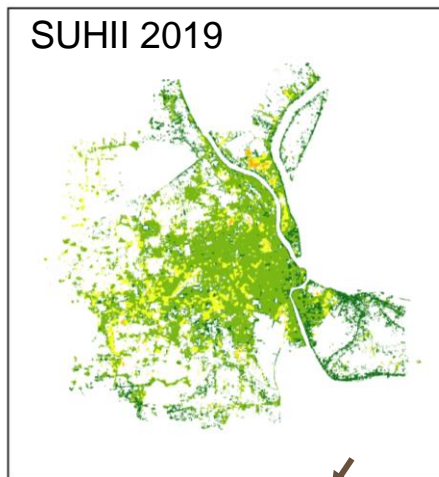
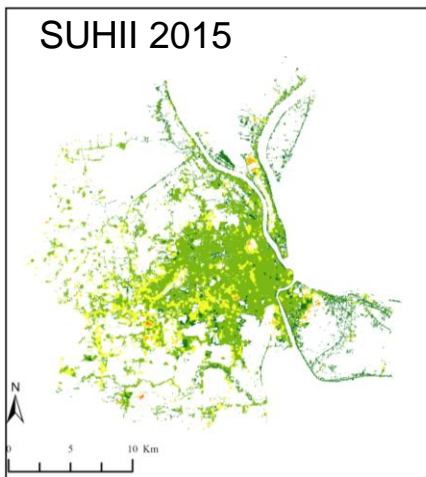
#### Overall LST Statistic (°C)

Year	2015	2019	2023	Change2015-2023
Min	22.56	23.62	24.34	1.79
Mean	28.17	29.44	30.33	2.16
Max	35.49	37.28	37.56	2.07

### 3. Results and discussion (Cont.)



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$$SUHII = LST_{Built\ up} - LST_{Non-built\ up}$$

#### SUHII Levels

SUHII	Levels
<0	No SUHII
0-2	Low SUHII
2-4	Moderate SUHII
4-6	High SUHII
>6	Extreme SUHII

#### Analysis of SUHII

Year	Mean (°C)		SUHII
	Non built up areas	Built-up areas	
2015	27.83	28.95	1.12
2019	29.07	29.99	0.92
2023	29.90	30.84	0.93
Change2015-2023	2.08	1.89	-0.19

## 4. Conclusion and recommendation

### Conclusion:

- The open remote sensing data can be used to observe and study the effects of LULC change on SUHII
- While the green areas, water and crops decreased, the built-up areas and bare ground increased especially the built-up areas increased from 30.82% in 2015 to 45.83% in 2023
- The LST on bare ground, crops, and built-up areas are higher than water and green areas
- The areas of highest LST ( $\geq 35$  °C) slightly increased from 0.01% in 2015 to 1.41% in 2023 while the lowest LST ( $\leq 28$  °C) repeatedly decreased from 54.50% in 2015 to 26.76% in 2023
- The lower SUHII mostly is surrounded by water and green areas, but the higher SUHII is surrounded by bare ground and agricultural land
- Built-up areas have higher mean LST than non-built areas, but the LST on the non-built up increase more quickly than the built up, which could cause the SUHII to drop from 1.12 °C in 2015 to 0.93 °C in 2023 even the built up areas is increased repeatedly

### Recommendation:

- Preserve the green areas and water, and if feasible, designate urban green and blue space to reduce city temperatures.
- Residents should prefer to live close to a body of water, such as a lake or river, and leave some spaces in their homes for gardens.
- For the future studies, the building's height should be the variable for the effects of LULC changes on SUHII

Thank you for your attention

Q&A?