

Managing Agricultural Production Variability through Seasonal Climate Prediction

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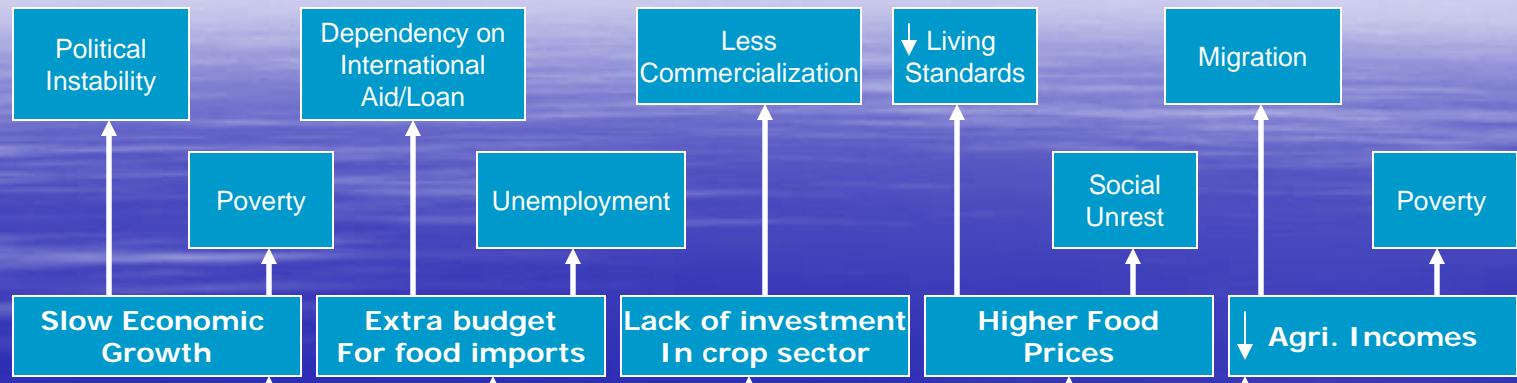
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Prologue

- Agriculture is the engine of growth of Pakistan's economy
- It contributes 24% to Gross Domestic Product (GDP), accounts for 60-70% of country's exports, provides livelihood to 68% of the country's population living in rural areas and employs 42% of the national labor force
- The production instability is a major concern

Problem Scoping

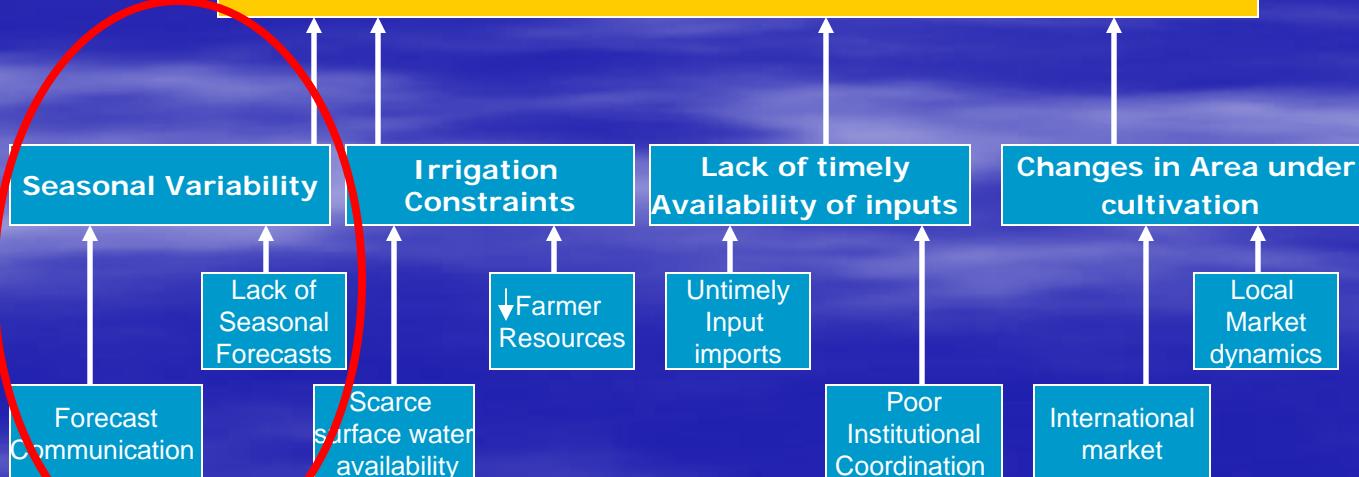
Effects



Problem

Inability to manage inter-annual food crops production instability

Causes



Context

- Agricultural production is inextricably linked to climate variability
- More specifically, the success or failure of a given season's crop is highly dependent on that season's weather
- Climate variability is responsible for more than 50% in production instability
- Global Conversion of areas from food to fuel



Solution – Knowing Unknowns

Problem

Crop Production Instability

Cause

Seasonal Variability

Sub Causes

- Lack of seasonal Forecasts
- Forecast Communication

Solution

Knowing Unknowns

Seasonal Climate Prediction

Outcome

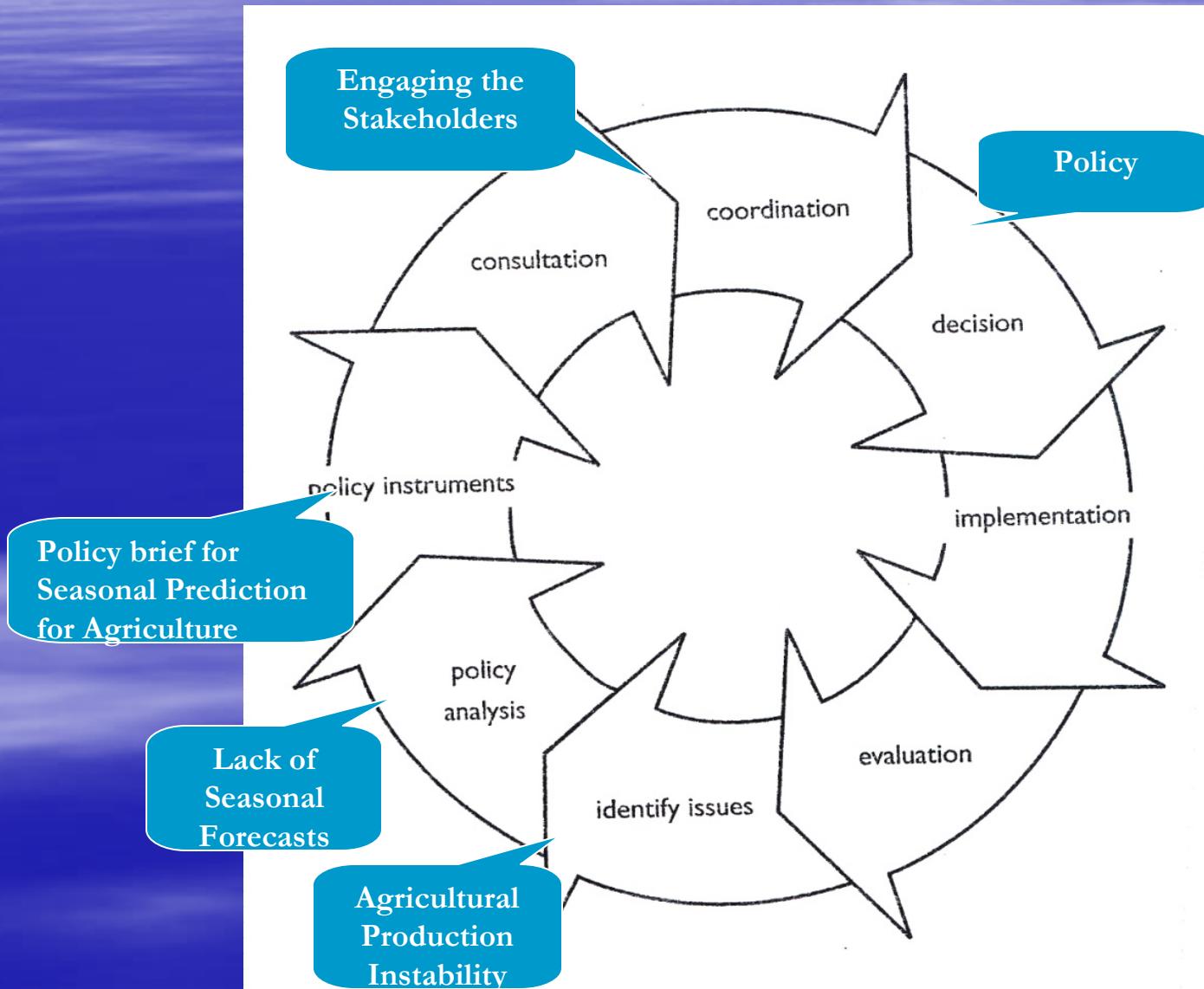
Yield stability

The Challenge – Bridging the Research-Policy



Sustainable Crop
Production

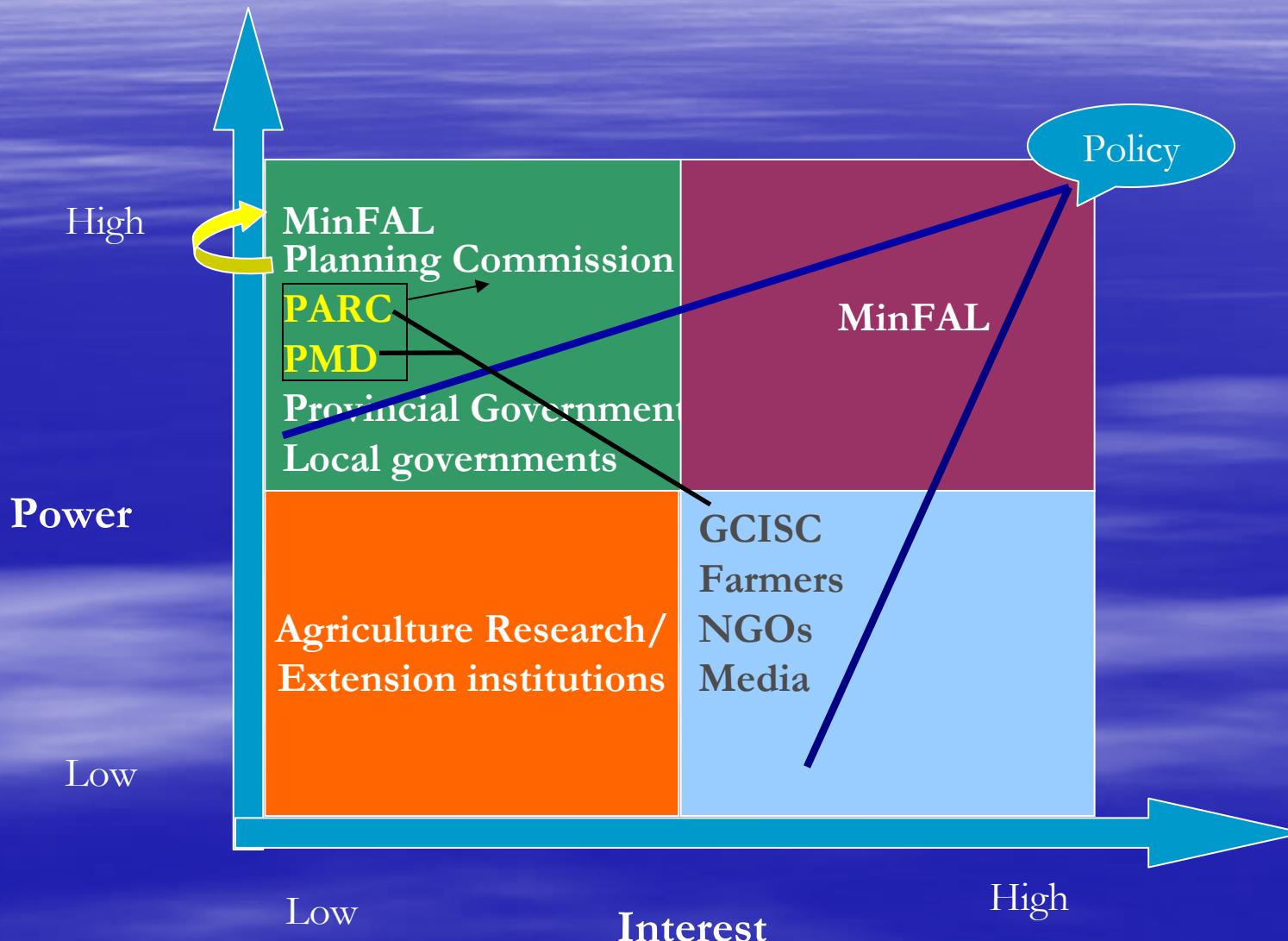
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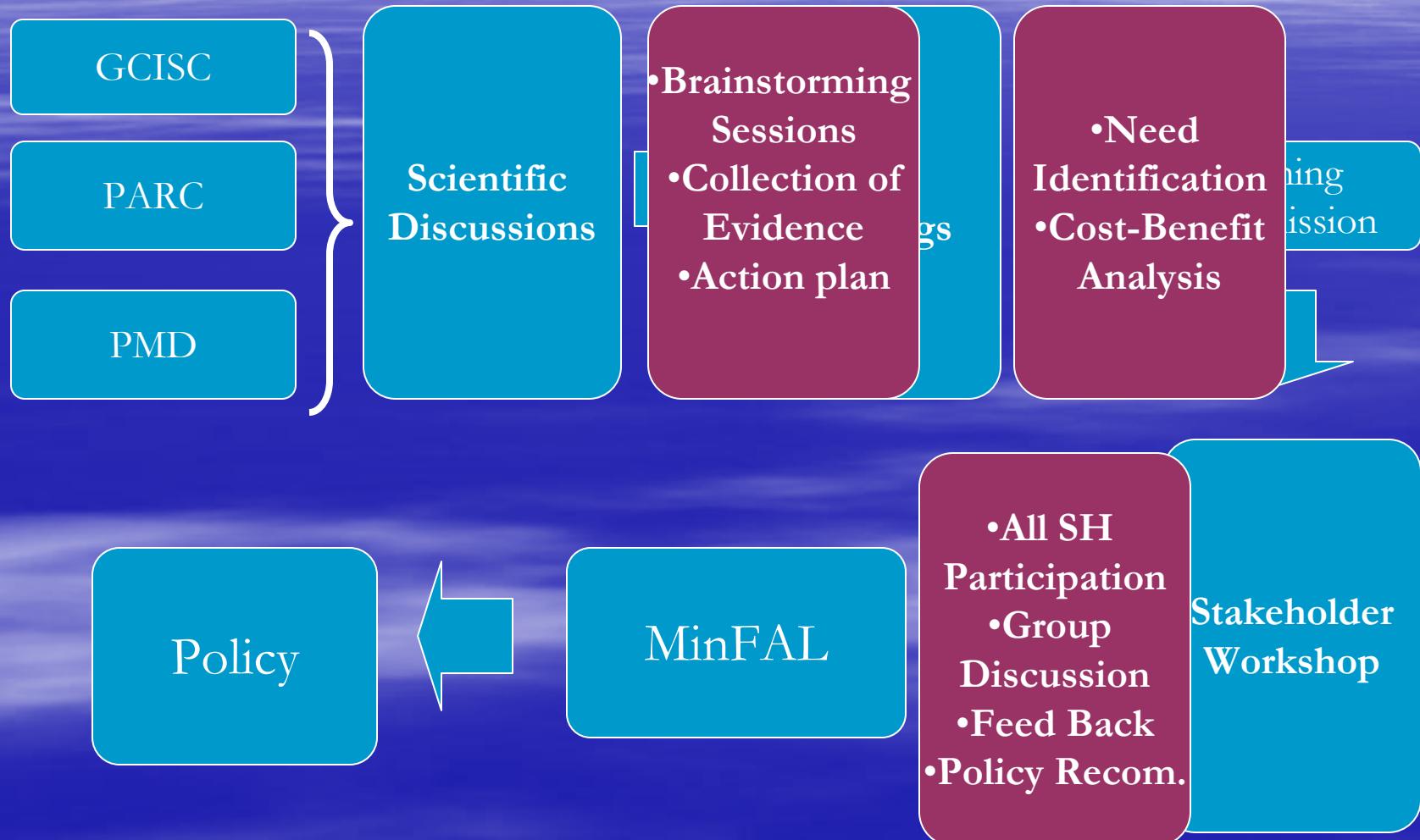
Stakeholders

Public Sector	Private Sector	Civil Society
Min. Food, Agri. & Livestock Planning commission Min. Water & Power Min. Environment Pak Agri. Dev. Bank GCISC PMD SUPARCO Provincial & Local Institutions	Business Associations Professional Bodies Individual Businessmen Financial Associations	Farmers NGOs Media CBOs

Stakeholders' Analysis



Engaging the Stakeholders



Epilogue

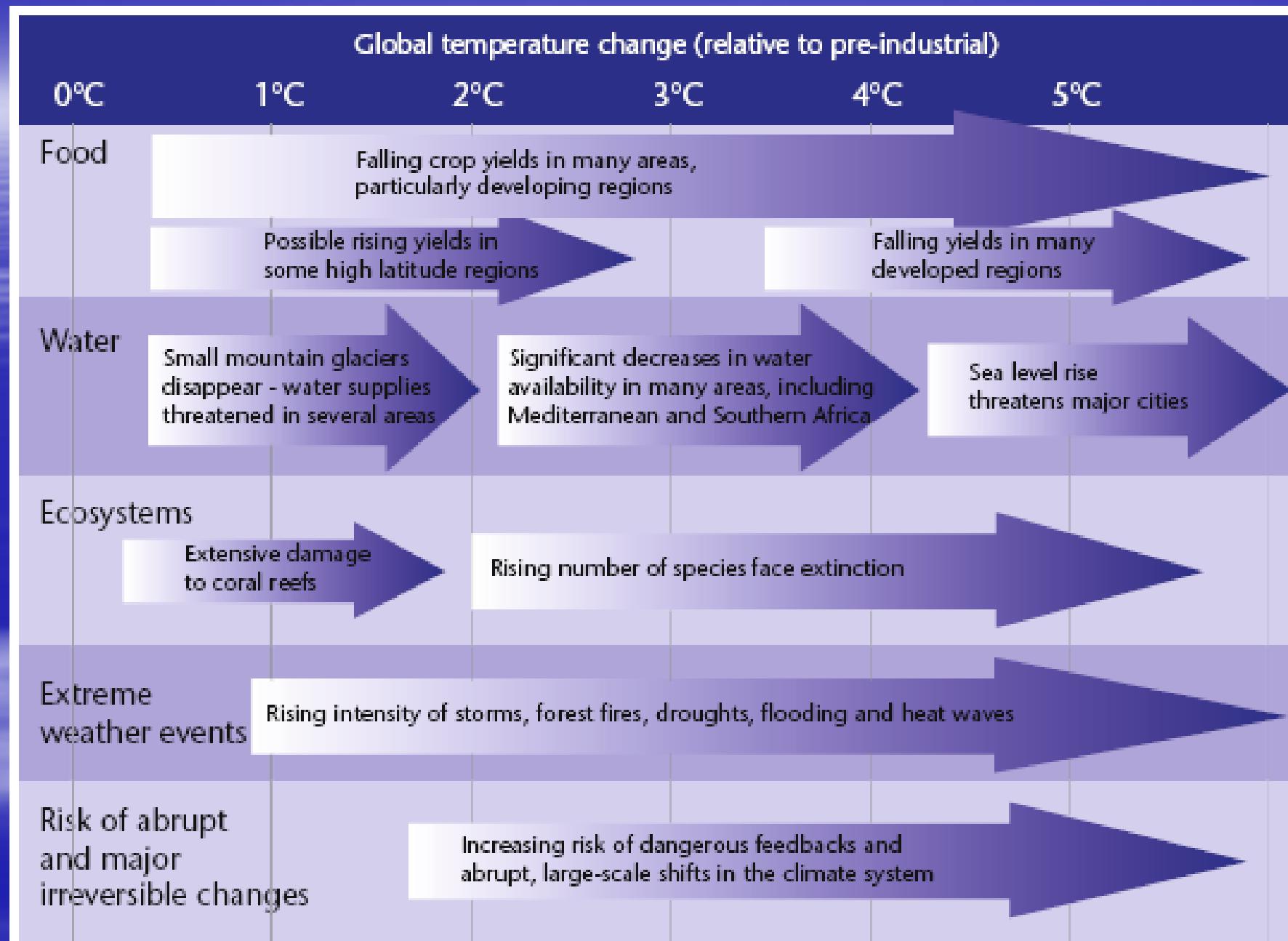
- An efficient climate information system requires close collaboration between natural and social scientists and institutions such as academic institutions, government and non-governmental organizations
- Strengthening the institutional basis for the implementation of national risk management policies and programmes

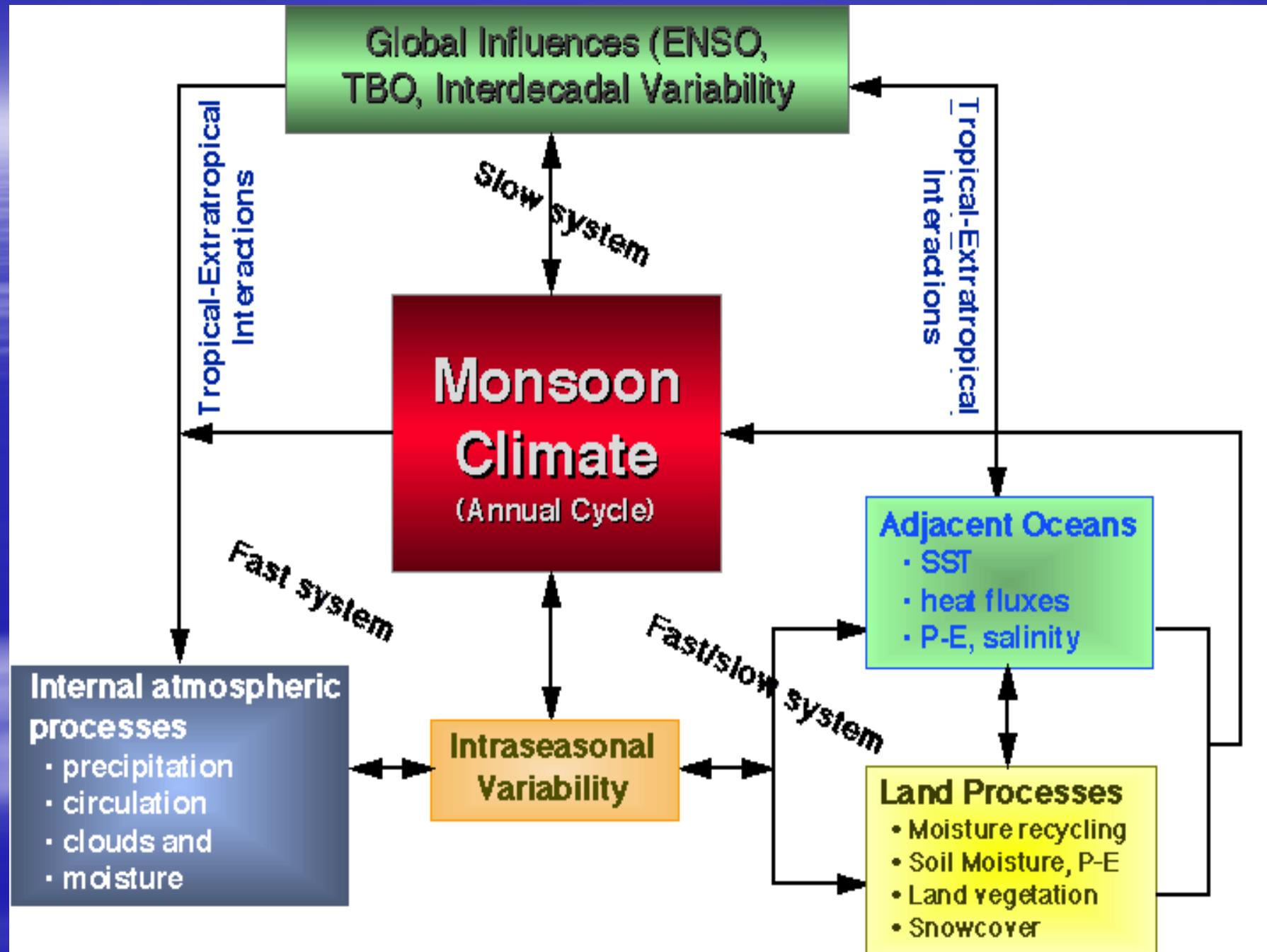
Policy Vision

*An efficient and competitive
sustainable agriculture
ensuring food security
and ability to contribute
to the economic development
and poverty alleviation
in Pakistan*



Thanks





Identifying the Stakeholders - Criteria

- Who are the potential beneficiaries
- Who will be adversely affected
- Who has existing rights
- Who is likely to be voiceless
- Who is likely to mobilize resistance
- Who is responsible for the intended plans
- Who has the money, skills, or key information
- Whose behavior has to change for success to be reached