

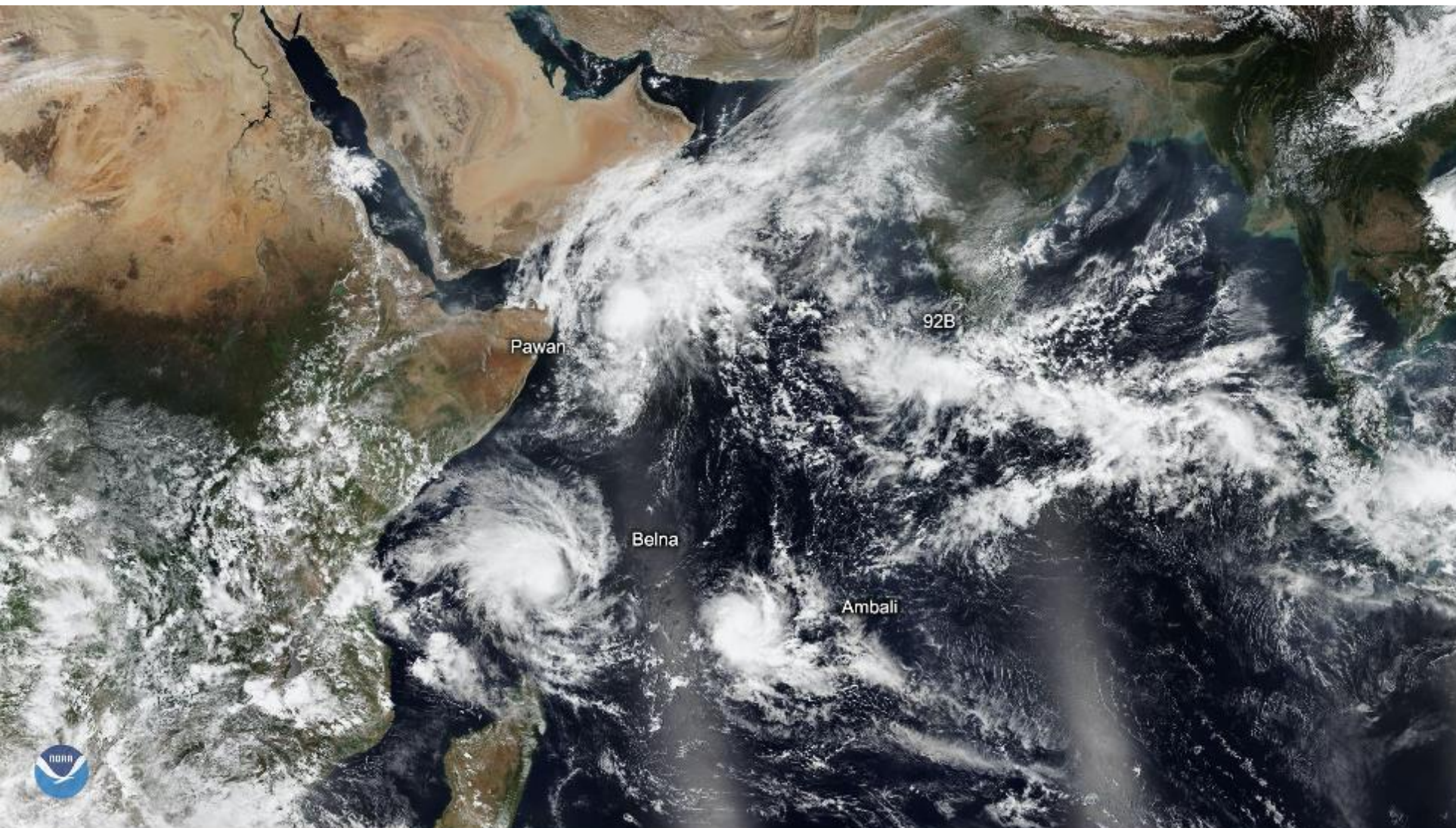


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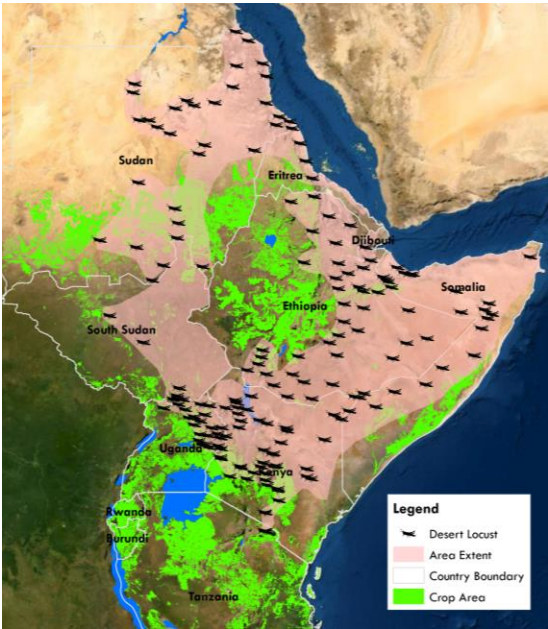
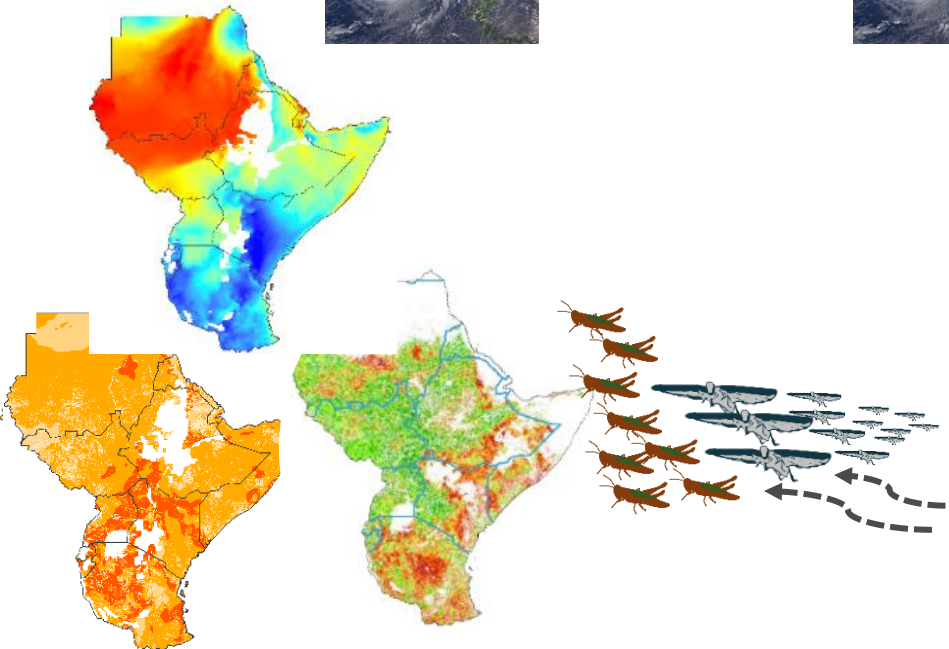
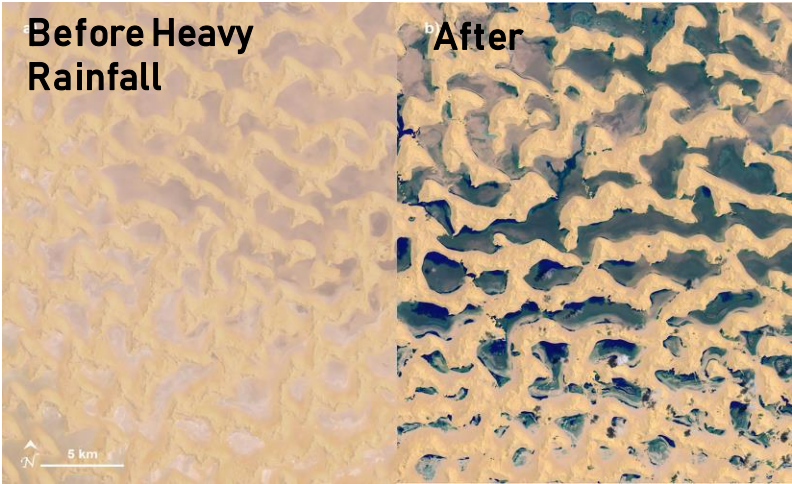
INTER-REGIONAL PLATFORM ON SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF DESERT LOCUST &
OTHER TRANSBOUNDARY PESTS

CHANGING CLIMATE- A DRIVE TO EXTREME EVENTS



- The Indian Ocean has been reported to be the fastest-warming ocean.
- This has led to an increase in the number and intensity of tropical cyclones impacting East and Southern Africa.
- The strongest tropical cyclones on record to affect Mozambique and Somalia occurred in 2018 and 2019.
- The impact of cyclones now extends beyond coastal areas

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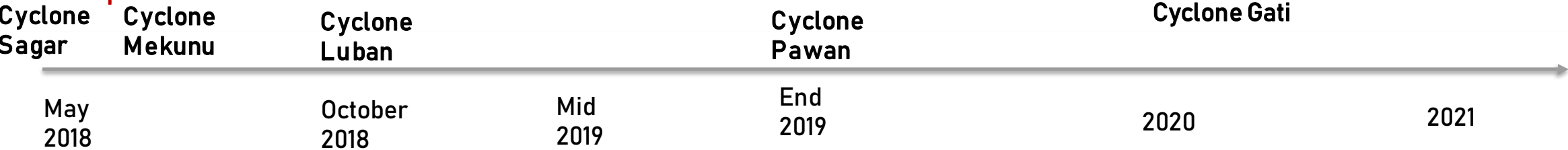
Desert Lakes form formation-Oman, Yemen, Saudi Arabia: Cause locust breeding and multiplication to swarms

1st Invasion

Unusual Climatic Conditions Supporting Locust reproduction and multiplication

2nd Wave

3rd Wave??



DESERT LOCUST - A THREAT TO FOOD SECURITY



Drought

- Consecutive seasons of below average rains



Conflict and insecurity

- Leading to loss of lives, displacement, loss of livelihoods, assets



Macro-economic challenges

- Inflation and currency depreciation
- Limit food access



COVID-19

- Socio-economic impacts including disruption and loss of livelihoods
- Urban populations hardest hit



Displacement

- 4.79 million refugees and asylum seekers and 10.59 million IDPs
(As of August 2021)



Desert locust

- Risk of proliferation persists, though currently limited by poor seasonal rains

DESERT LOCUST RESPONSE COORDINATION

- IGAD was mandated to coordinate DL issues by Heads of State and Governments at their 34th Extra-Ordinary Summit on Feb 9, 2020 in Addis Ababa;
- IGAD ES appointed a DL Task Force - comprising: ICPAC, ICPALD, AED, CEWARN, IDDRSI, IGAD Special Envoy Offices;
- ICPAC intensified DL Spread prediction since Jan/Feb 2020;
- FSNWG partners intensified DL response advocacy through all forms of media, raising awareness which significantly contributed to resource mobilisation;
- Regional Appeals for DL response led by FAO. Resources mobilised to curb spread and safeguard livelihoods and support regional coordination;
- High level inter-regional technical meeting, followed by IGAD Ministerial Meeting in April & May 2020 respectively; to share lessons on good practices, discuss challenges and propose a framework for joint complementarity in DL eradication;

DESERT LOCUST RESPONSE COORDINATION

- Significant result has been achieved across the region despite presence of some swarms and hoppers in northern Kenya, eastern Ethiopia, and parts of Somalia;
- Most of DL infested land has been treated through both aerial and ground measures, jointly by Govts, DLCO and FAO;
- Improved surveillance and monitoring due to increased spread prediction (ICPAC), eLocust3 mobile App, DL Situation updates, etc.
- Partners generously contributed resources to the control effort;



MINISTERIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Strengthen IGAD DL regional coordination, monitoring and forecasting capacities;
- Strengthen the capacity of plant protection and desert locust control units in Member States and IGAD Secretariat/Specialise Institutions;
- Encourage exchange of experts between CRC and IGAD regions through South-South Cooperation;
- Consider DL eradication a shared responsibility between IGAD Secretariat/Specialised Institutions, Member States and partners;
- Address security challenges that limit DL operations;
- Implement continuous monitoring, rapid assessments and final impact assessments



THE PLATFORM

Inter-Regional Platform
for the Sustainable
Management of

Desert Locust
& Transboundary Pests

- IGAD has set up and is operationalizing an **Inter-Regional Platform for the Sustainable Management of Desert Locusts and other Trans-Boundary Pests**
- The Platform is part of the **World Bank's** Emergency Locust Response Program Phase 3 (SSELRP) that supports the Republic of South Sudan and IGAD to respond to the challenges posed by the desert locust invasion



THE PLATFORM'S OBJECTIVES

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- Bringing together IGAD Member States (MS), development partners and other stakeholders to promote **regional solidarity** for the management of DL and other transboundary pests
- Providing a platform for an online forum through which priorities and possible interventions aimed at achieving the objectives of the locust management campaign and other transboundary pests are collectively discussed and deliberated,
- Serving as a **coordination body** for the formulation of plans, review progress, discuss challenges, provide information, and promote actions related to the management of the pests.
- Promoting **regional cooperation and coordination** and,
- **Supporting the strengthening** of national capacity in locust management by enhancing their capacity in survey and monitoring operations; program development and implementation; mitigation, preparedness, early warning and timely control, and impact assessments to inform policy and decision making.

THE PLATFORM'S ACTIVITIES

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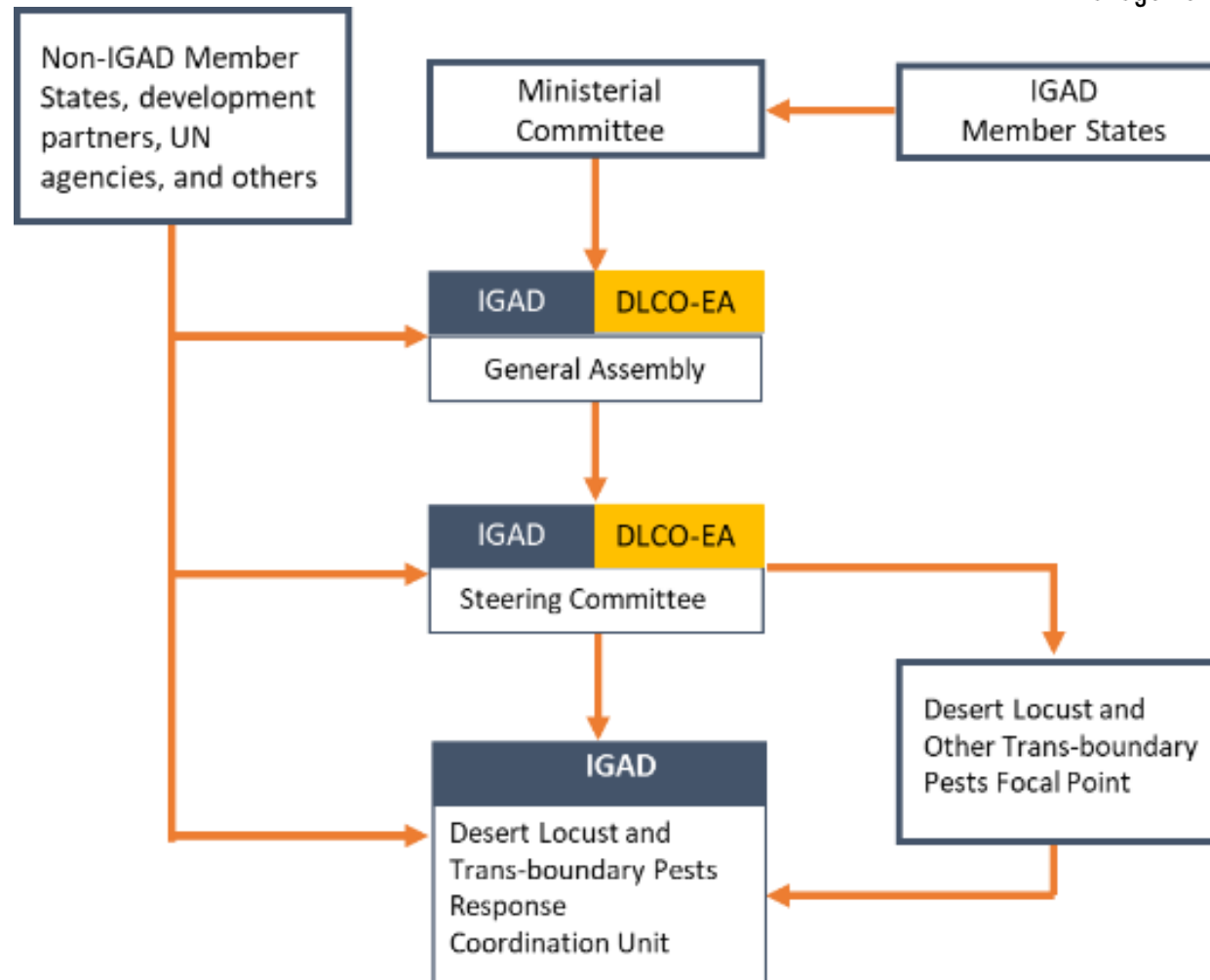
- Development of **guidelines for national preparedness plans** for desert locust invasion to support IGAD member states.
- Support member states to finalize their national preparedness plans.
- Development of a **regional preparedness plan** agreed with the member states.
- Development and dissemination of knowledge management and communication products targeting member states, development partners, and other stakeholders



THE PLATFORM'S IMPLEMENTATION STRUCTURE

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PLATFORM'S LAUNCH & INCEPTION

INTER-REGIONAL PLATFORM FOR MANAGEMENT OF DESERT LOCUST

Project Launch

December 02 - 2021 | 09:00 am EAT



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