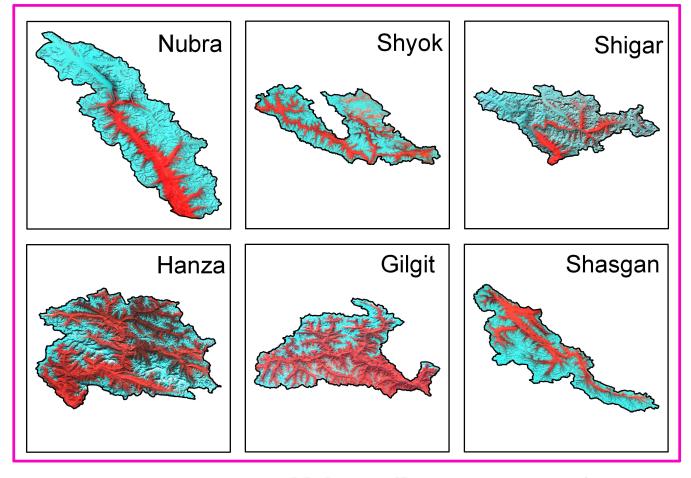
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#### 1. Introduction

Snow covers almost 40 per cent of the Earth's land surface during Northern Hemisphere winter. This makes albedo and areal extent of snow as important component of the Earth's radiation balance (Foster and Chang, 1993). In addition, large areas in the Himalayas are also covered by snow during winter. Area of snow can change significantly during winter and spring. This can affect stream flow for rivers originating in the higher Himalayas. All the rivers originating from higher Himalayas receive almost 30-50 % of annual flow from snow and glacier melt run off (Agarwal et al., 1983). In addition, snow pack ablation is highly sensitive to climatic variation. Increase in atmospheric temperature can influence snowmelt and stream runoff pattern (Kulkarni et al., 2002). Therefore, mapping of the areal extent and reflectance of snow are important parameter for various climatological and hydrological applications. In addition, extent of snow cover can also be used as input for numerous other applications.

Mapping and monitoring of seasonal snow cover using field methods are normally very difficult in a mountainous terrain, like the Himalayas. Therefore, remote sensing techniques have been extensively used for snow cover monitoring. Snow cover monitoring using satellite images were started by using the TIROS-1 satellite from April 1960 (Singer and Popham 1963). Since then, the potential for operational satellite-based mapping has been enhanced by the development of higher temporal frequency and satellite sensors with higher spatial resolution. In addition, satellites with better radiometric resolutions, such as NOAA have been used successfully for snow mapping (Hall et al., 1995). This is possibly due to the distinct spectral reflectance characteristics of snow in visible and near infrared regions. India has launched series of Indian Remote Sensing satellite (IRS) to study the different earth resources. Previously launched satellites have flown with many sensors having different spatial, temporal and spectral resolutions. Recently launched RESOURCESAT-1 satellite has three different sensors namely LISS III, LISS IV & AWiFS with different spatial, temporal and spectral resolutions as desired for different applications. AWiFS (Advanced Wide Field Sensor) is an advanced version of earlier Indian satellite sensor WiFS (Wide Field Sensor) with improved spectral and spatial resolutions maintaining the same repetivity. There are a series of other polar orbiting satellites, like Landsat, NOAA and MODIS etc., which have provided information on different aspects of snow. Geo-stationary satellites also proved their utility in mapping/monitoring the snow-covered regions. Information generated from satellite observations has been extensively used for snowmelt runoff modeling (Kulkarni et al., 1997).

#### 2. Study Area:

This Atlas gives distribution of snow cover in six subbasins of the Indus basin. These are Nubra, Shyok, Shigar, Hanza, Gilgit and Shasgan sub basins. Locations of these basins are shown in Figure 1.

#### 3. Data used:

AWiFS data from October 2010 to June 2011 were used in this study.

### 4. Normalised Difference Snow Index (NDSI):

In general, the reflectance of snow is high at the red end of the visible spectrum. It tends to decline in the near-infrared region until 1090 nm, where slight gain in reflectance occurs and gives a minor peak at approximately 1090 to 1100 nm. One of the important difficulties in snow cover monitoring is the presence of cloud cover. Cloud has strong reflectivity in visible, NIR and SWIR regions while snow absorbs in SWIR, and this difference can be utilized for snow/cloud discrimination. Normalized Difference Snow Index (NDSI) utilize the normalized ratio of green and SWIR and is used as an automated approach for snow mapping addressing the shadow and cloud problems in snow bound areas.

Normalized Difference Snow Index was calculated using the ratio of green wavelength (band 2) and SWIR (band 5) of AWiFS sensor:

Normalized Difference Snow Index(NDSI) = (band 2 - band 5)/(band 2 + band 5) ...(1)

To estimate NDSI, DN numbers were converted into reflectance. This involves conversion of digital numbers into the radiance values, known as sensor calibration, and then estimation of reflectance from these radiance values. Various parameters needed for estimating spectral reflectance are maximum and minimum radiances and mean solar exo-atmospheric spectral irradiances in the satellite sensor bands, satellite data acquisition time, solar declination, solar zenith and solar azimuth angles, mean Earth-Sun distance etc. (Markham and Barker, 1987; Srinivasulu and Kulkarni, 2004).

#### 5. Snow cover monitoring algorithm

An algorithm is developed to provide changes in the areal extent of snow (Kulkarni et. al., 2006). Snow extent is estimated at an interval of 5-days and 10-days, depending upon availabilities of AWiFS data. In 5-daily product, snow extent is generated scene-wise. In this product, snow and cloud extents are given. Estimate of cloud is important because, at times, snow is covered by cloud and this may be classified as non-snow area, leading to erroneous conclusions. In 10-daily product, three scenes are analyzed, if available. For example, 10 March product data of 5, 10 and 15 March was used. If any pixel is identified as snow on any one date then this pixel will be classified as snow on final product. This provides snow cover at an interval of 10 days, an important requirement in hydrological applications. Therefore, this product is generated basinwise. Since this product is using three scenes, probability becomes high that at least in one scene, pixel may be cloud-free and this helps in overcoming problem associated with snow under cloud cover. If three consecutive scenes are not available, then all available scenes in 10 days window was used in the analysis. Differentiation between water and snow is difficult using NDSI image. In addition, separation of snow and water pixels is also difficult based on reflectance due to mountain shadow. Therefore, in the present algorithm, water bodies are marked in pre-winter

season and are masked in the final products during winter. Flow diagram of the algorithm is given in Figure 2.

#### 6. Results and discussions

In this atlas, basin-wise snow cover statistics, maps, and seasonal depletion curves have been provided from October 2010 to June 2011. Snow ablation pattern varies from basin to basin, depending on area altitude distribution in the basins. Many of these sub-basins like Nubra, Shyok, Shasgan, Shigar and Hanza are highly glacierized, therefore large area under snow and glacier cover was observed even at the beginning and end of accumulation season. In case of Gilgit sub-basin, it is at lower altitude and is less Glacierized so lot of variation in areal extent of snow was observed.

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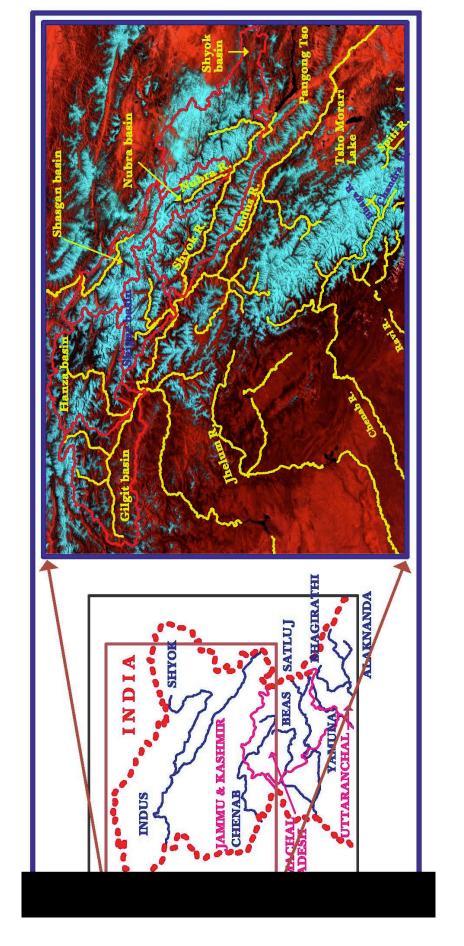


Figure 1: Location map of Nubra, Shyok, Shigar, Hanza, Gilgit and Shasgan sub-basins (Part of Indus basin)

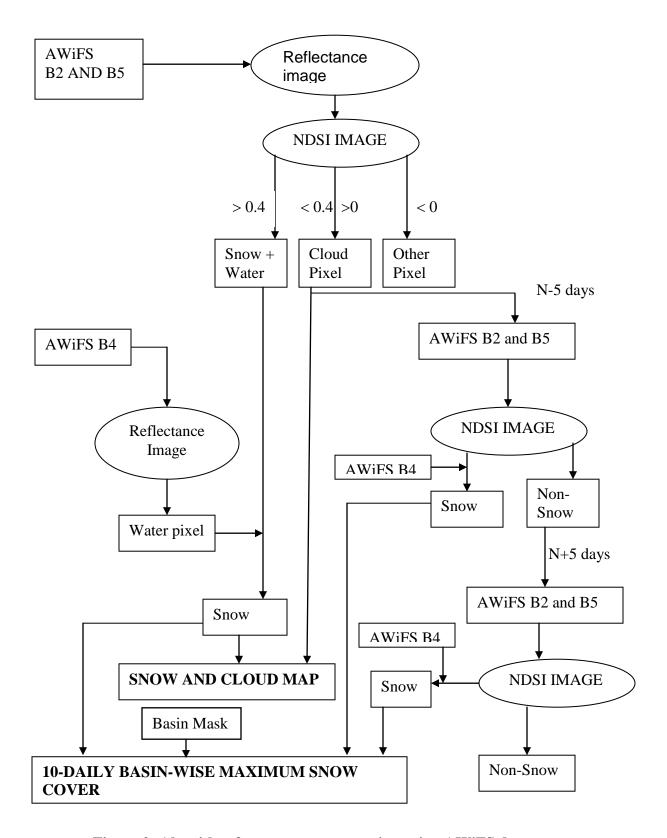


Figure 2: Algorithm for snow cover mapping using AWiFS data

# NUBRA BASIN

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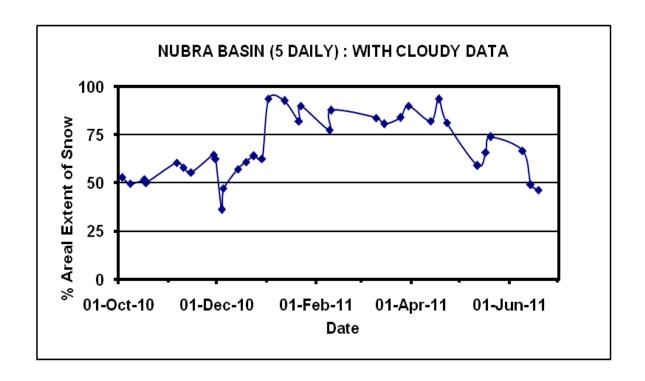
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3	17-Oct-10	2197.48	52	4	18-Oct-10	2134.13	50	
	November 2010							
5	6-Nov-10	2582.97	61	6	10-Nov-10	2475.00	58	
7	15-Nov-10	2368.62	56	8	29-Nov-10	2759.99	65	
9	30-Nov-10	2664.36	63					
	December 2010							
10	4-Dec-10	1545.33	36	11	5-Dec-10	2008.96	47	
12	14-Dec-10	2438.22	57	14	19-Dec-10	2594.29	61	
15	24-Dec-10	2729.83	64	16	29-Dec-10	2665.35	63	
			Janua	ry 2011				
17	2-Jan-11	3992.90	94	18	12-Jan-11	3936.12	92	
19	21-Jan-11	3502.85	82	20	22-Jan-11	3833.18	90	
			Februa	ary 2011				
21	9-Feb-11	3303.21	78	22	10-Feb-11	3740.46	88	
			Marc	h 2011				
23	10-Mar-11	3583.75	84	24	15-Mar-11	3434.99	81	
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30	12-May-11	2520.86	59	31	17-May-11	2813.52	66	
32	20-May-11	3150.81	74					
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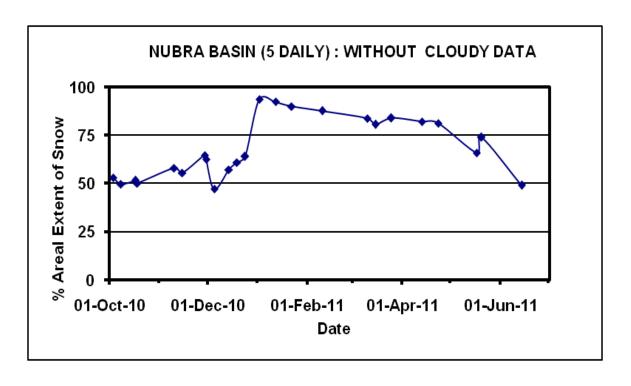
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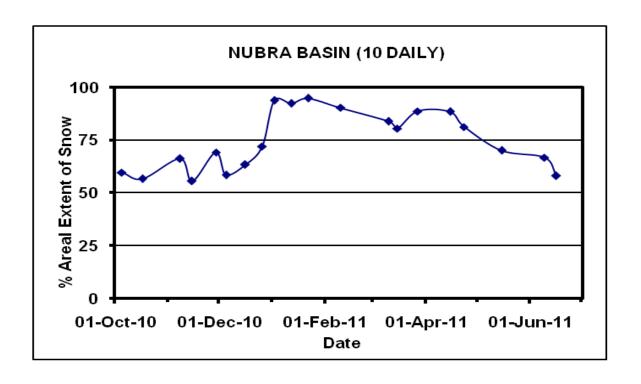
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	Dece	mber 2010			Janu	ary 2011		
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7	16-Dec-10	2702.65	63	10	12-Jan-11	3936.12	92	
8	26-Dec-10	3071.19	72	11	22-Jan-11	4041.51	95	
February 2011			March 2011					
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				14	15-Mar-11	3434.99	81	
				15	27-Mar-11	3780.86	89	
	Ap	oril 2011		May 2011				
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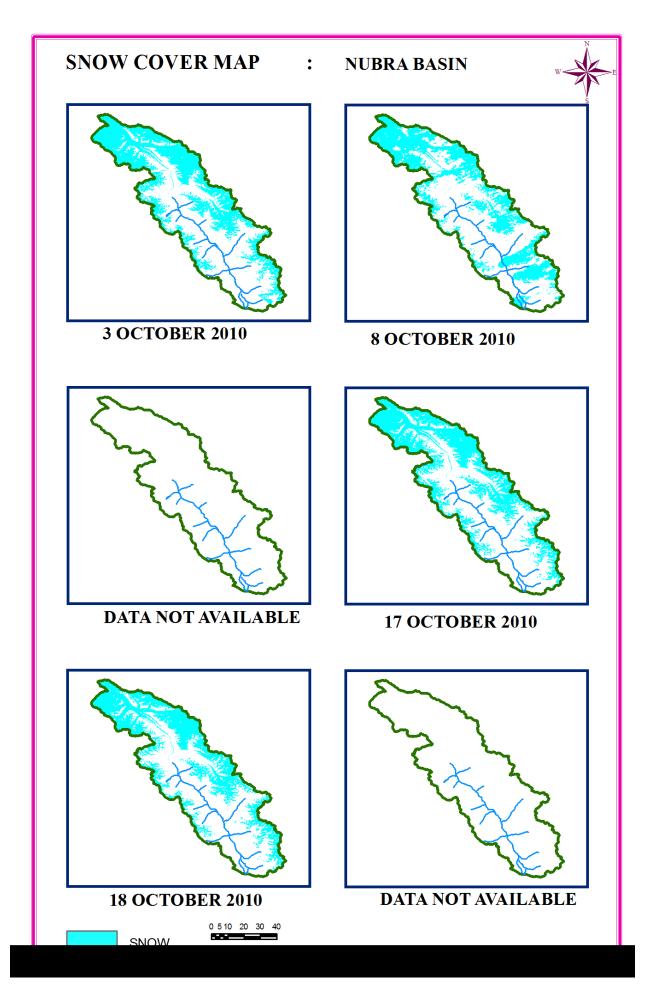




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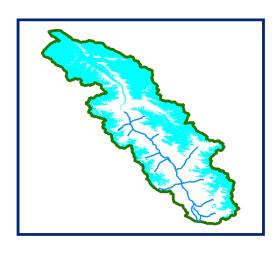
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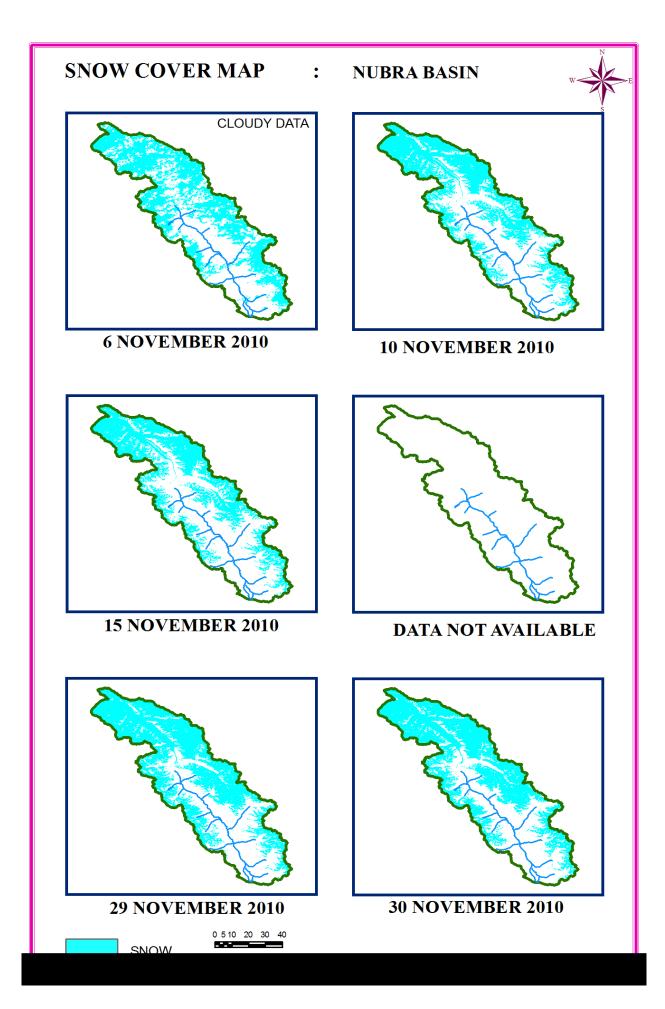
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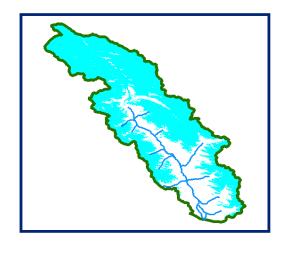


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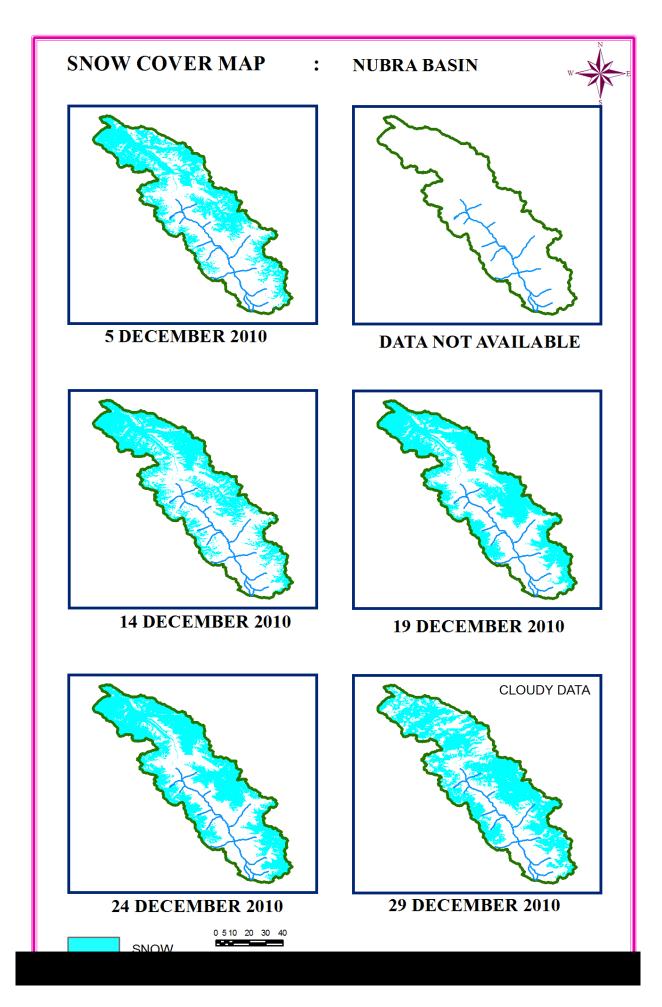


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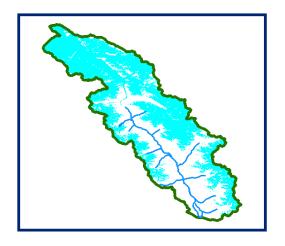
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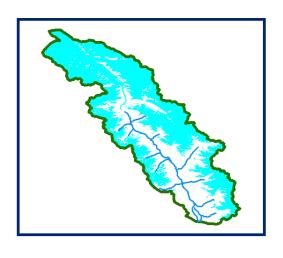
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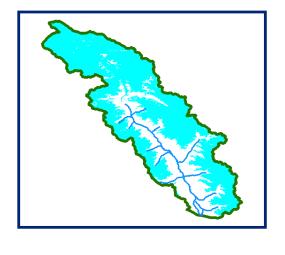




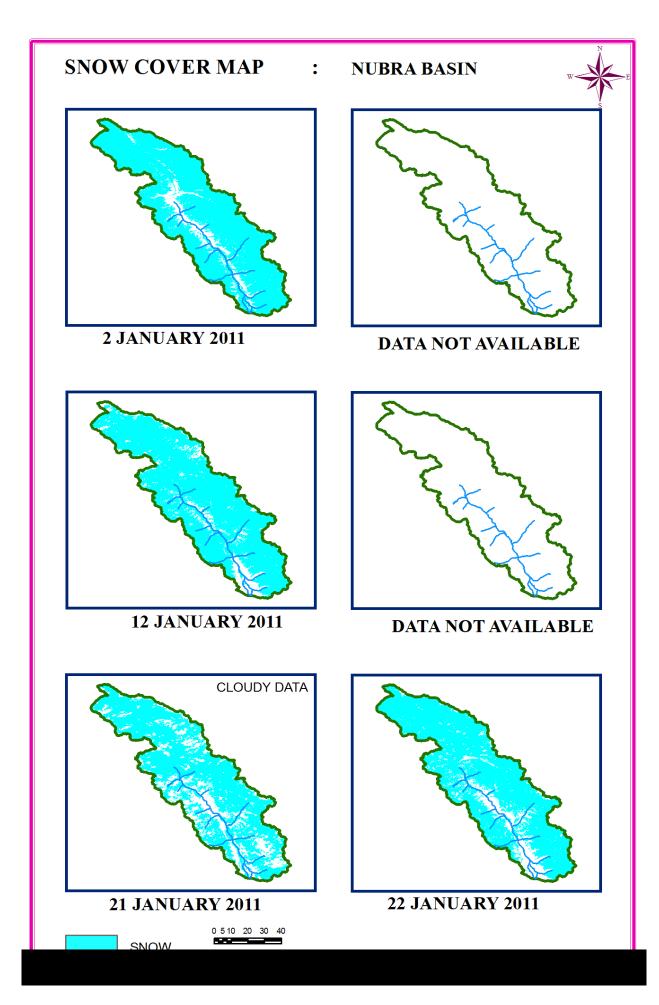
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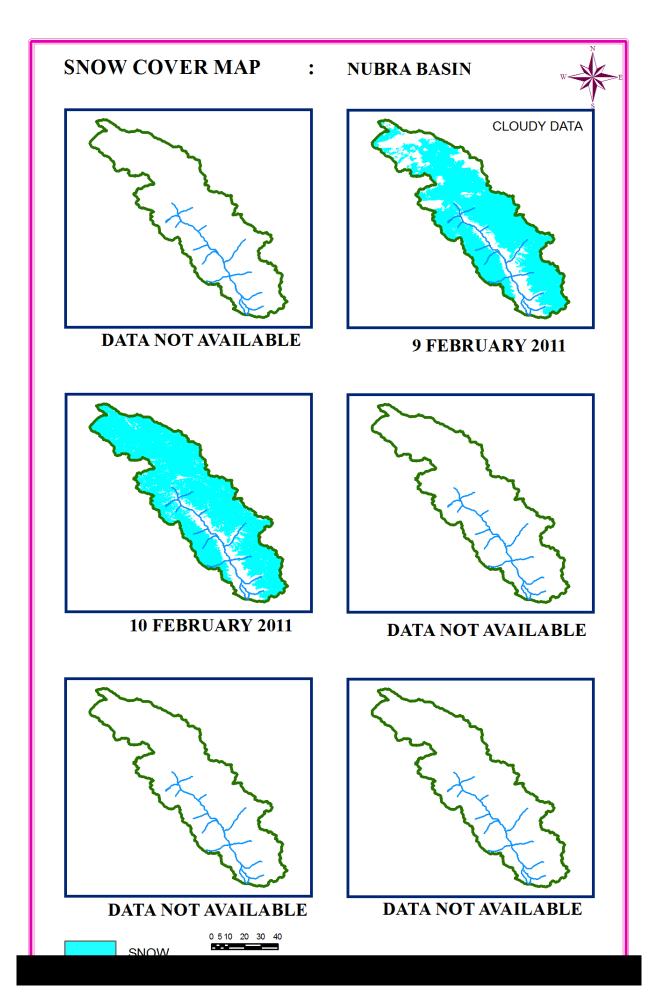
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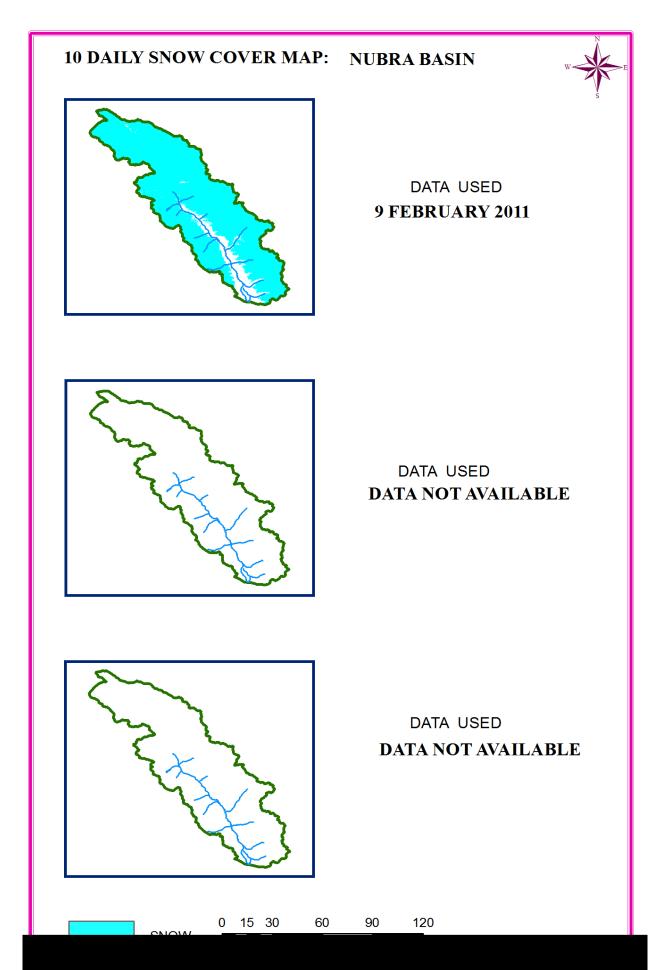
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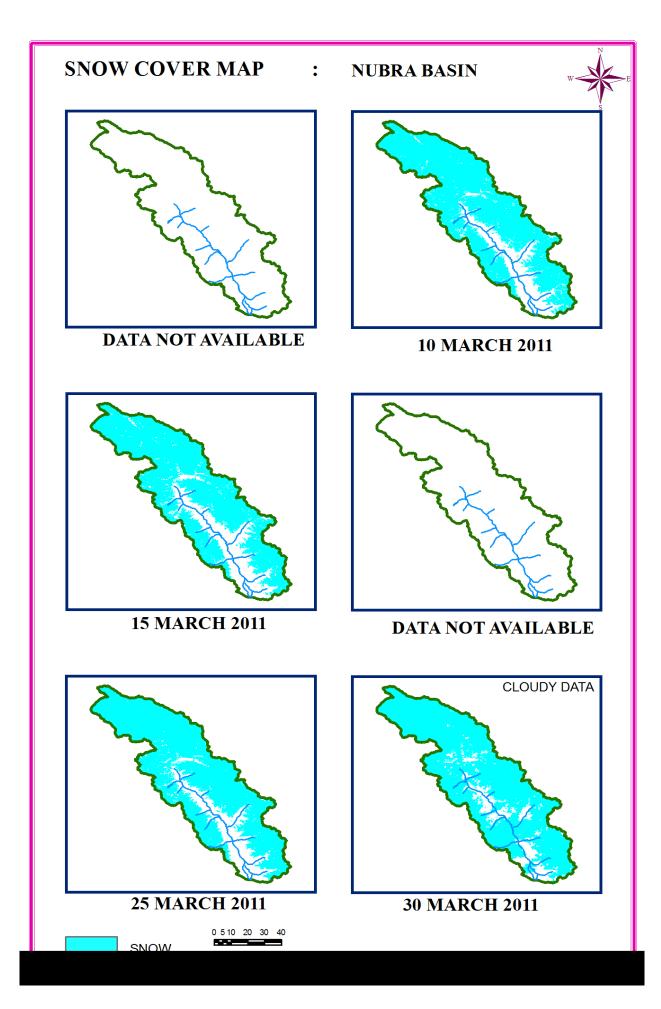


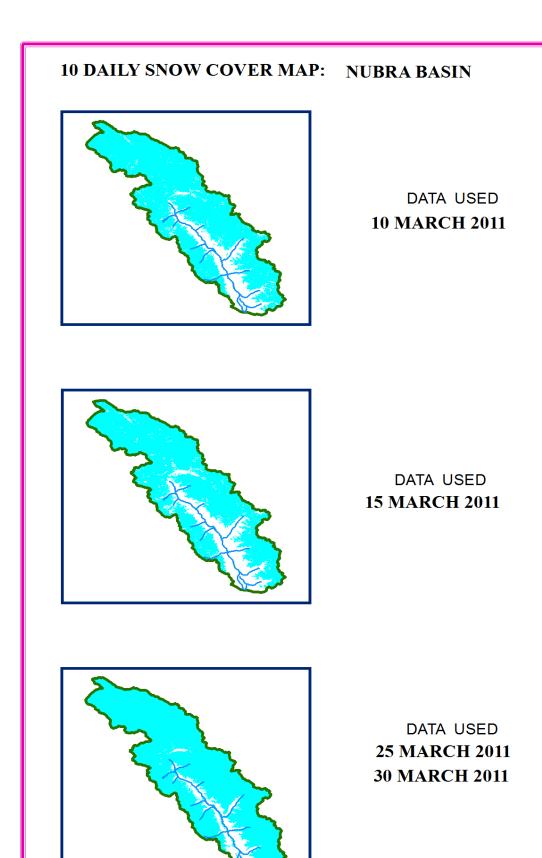
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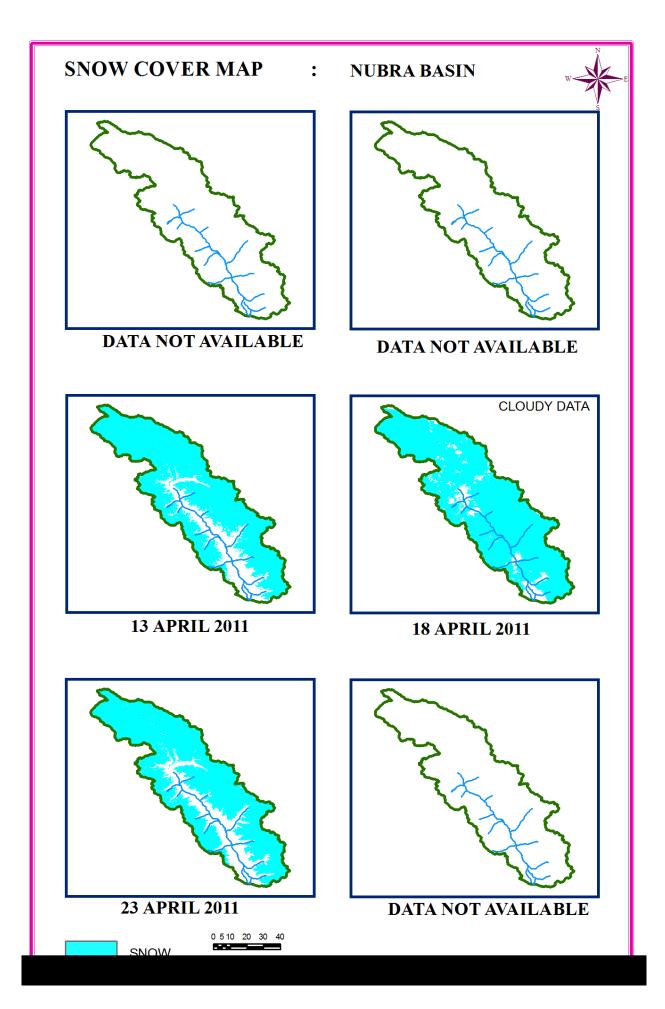








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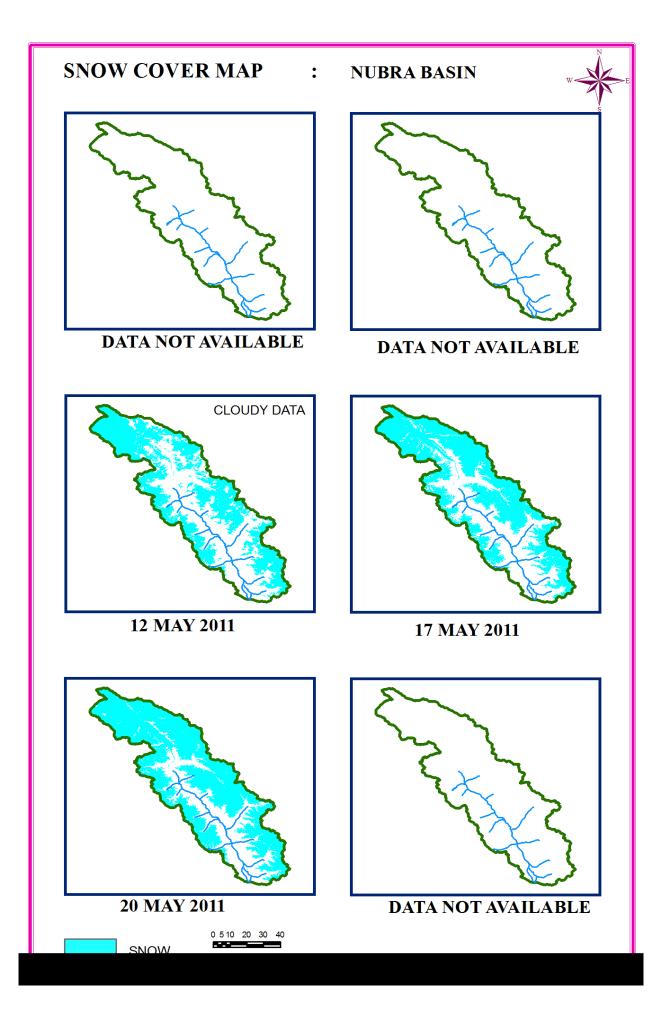
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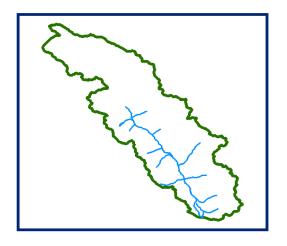
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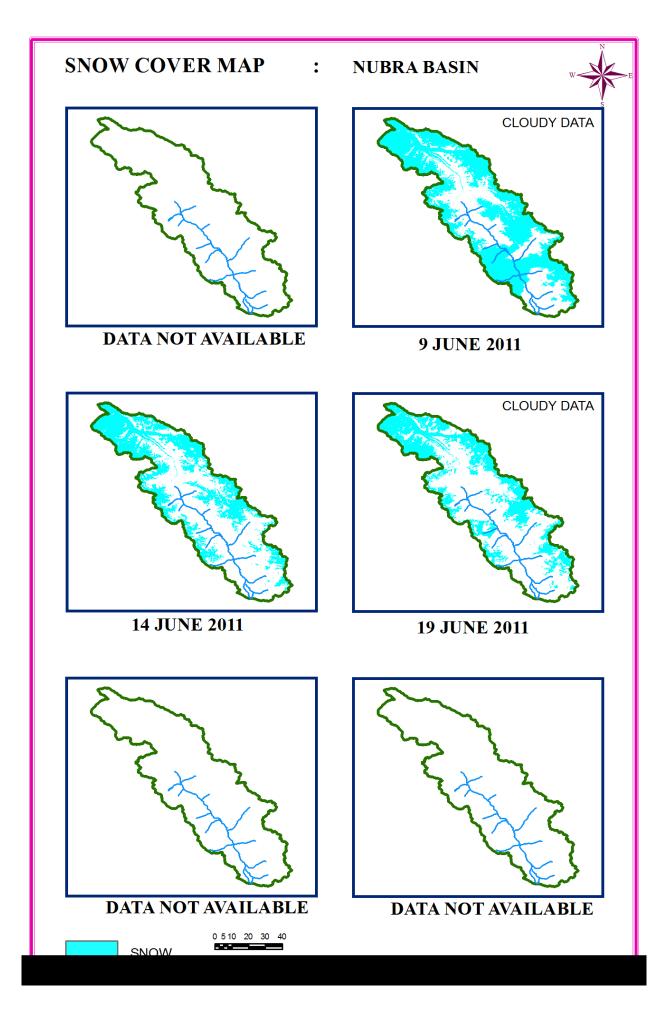


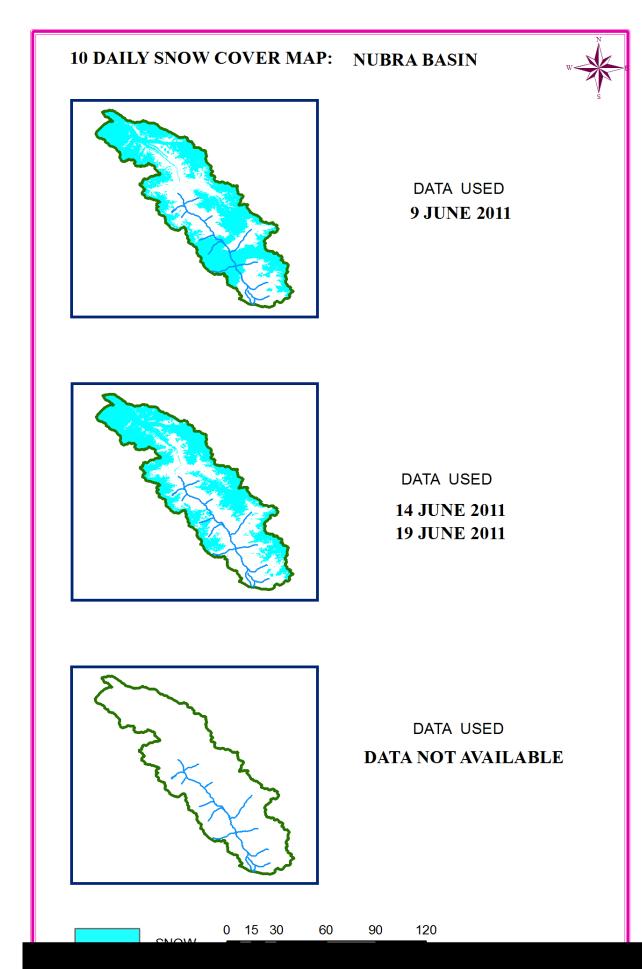
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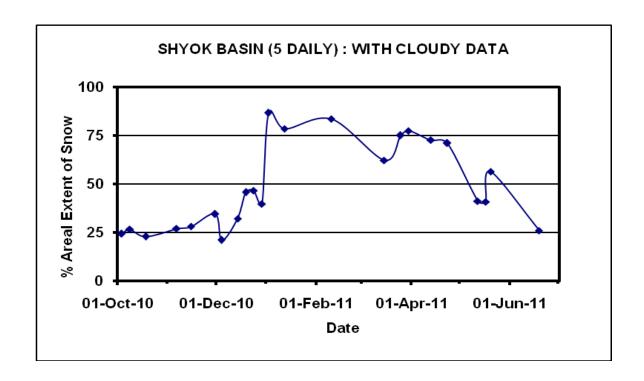
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6	30-Nov-10	9360.46	35						
			Decem	ber 2010					
7	04-Dec-10	5724.86	21	8	14-Dec-10	8723.12	32		
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January 2011									
12	2-Jan-11	23492.90	87	13	12-Jan-11	21258.80	78		
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			Marc	h 2011					
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May 2011									
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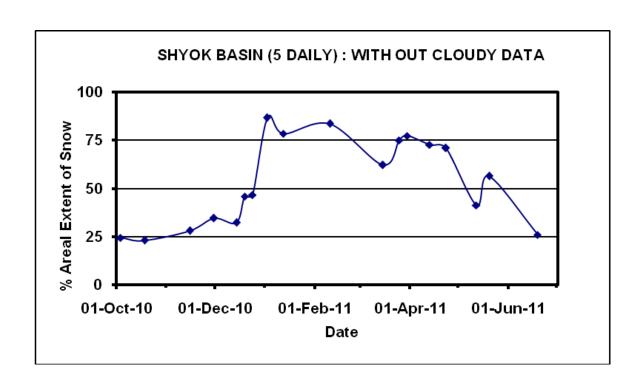
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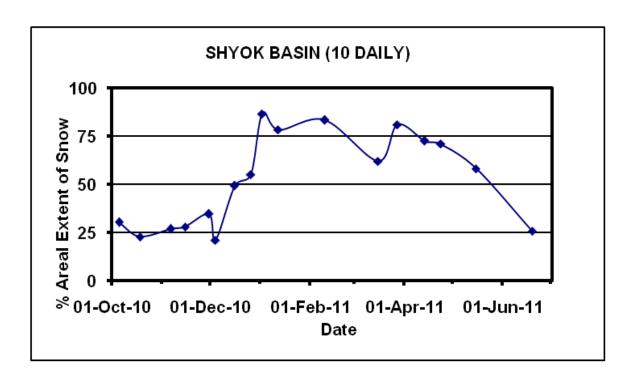
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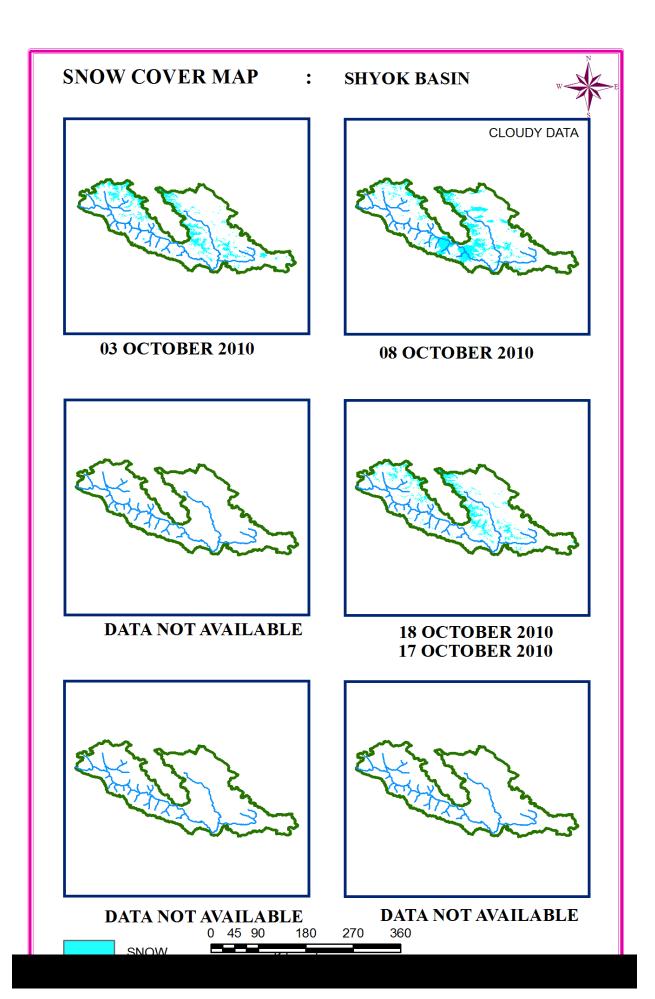




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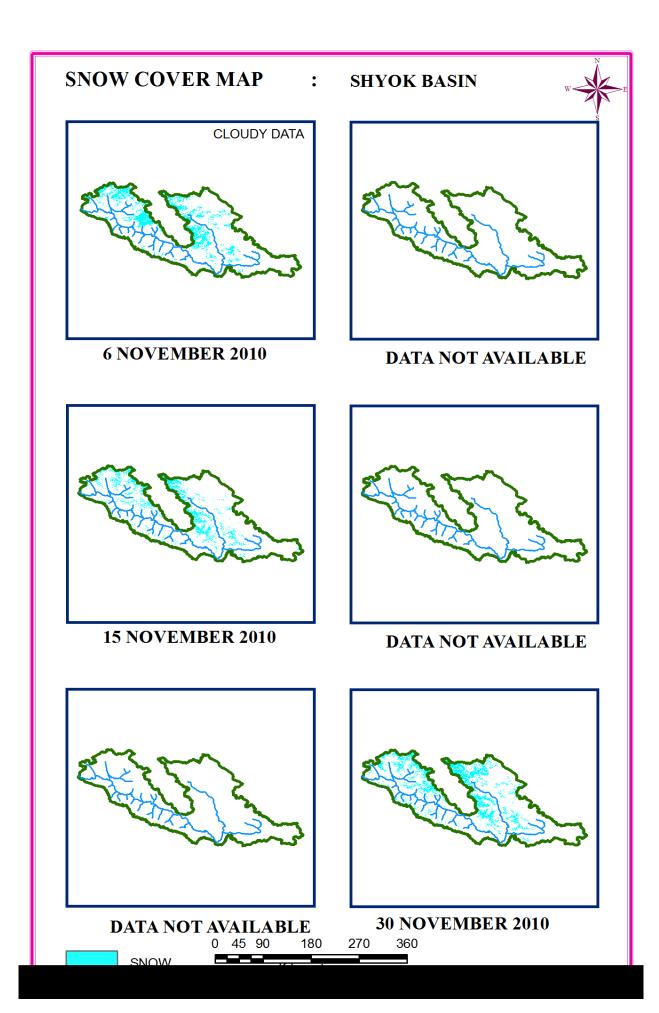
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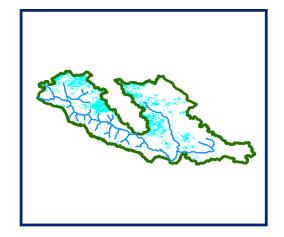
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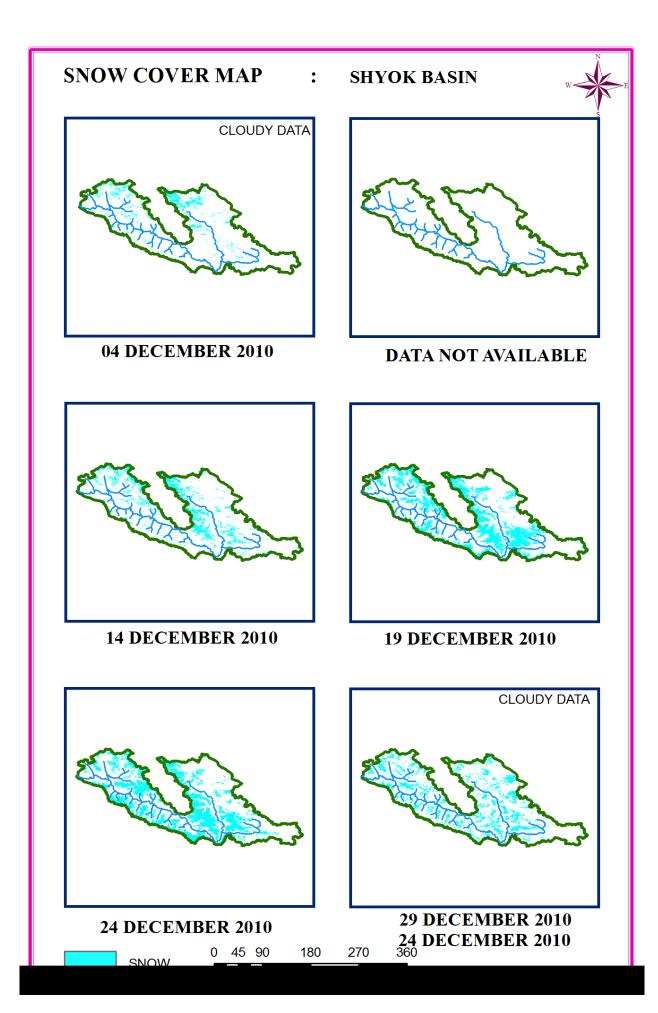


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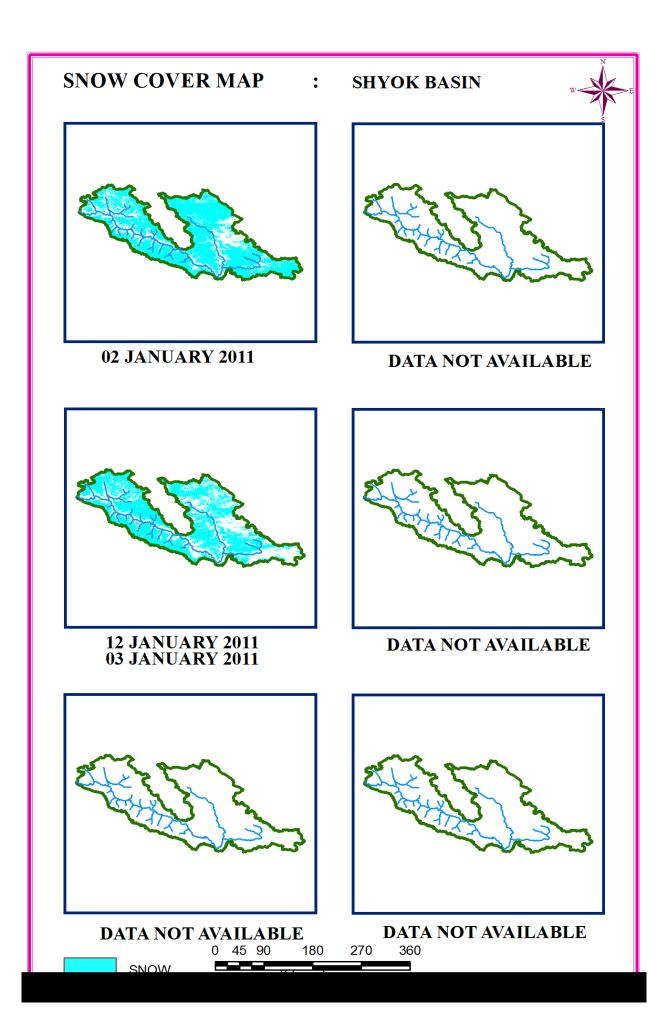
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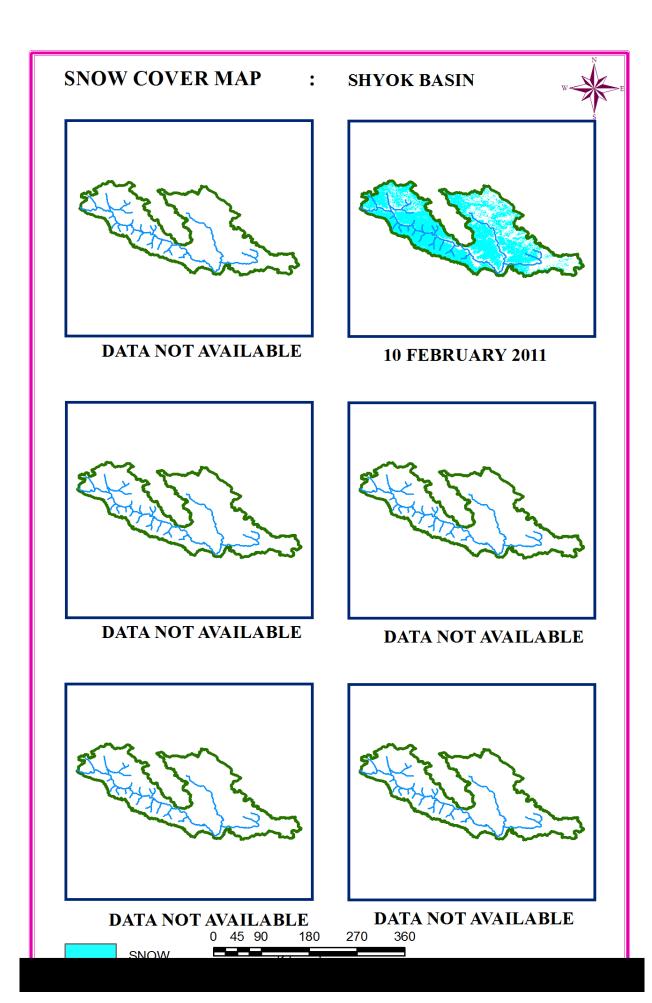
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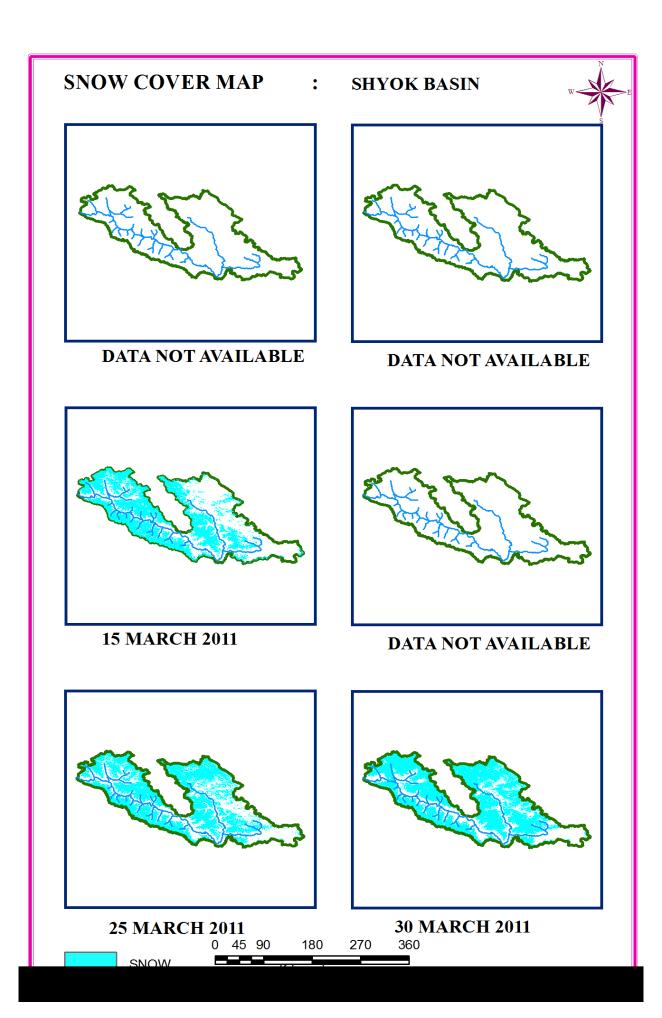
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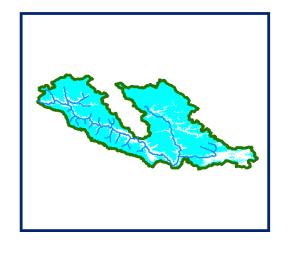




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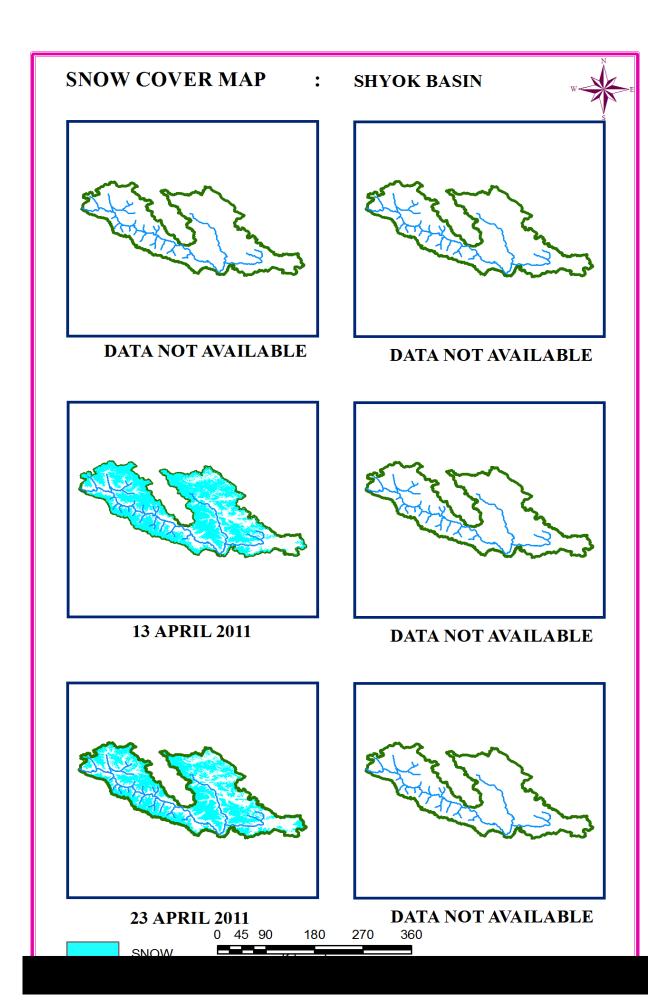
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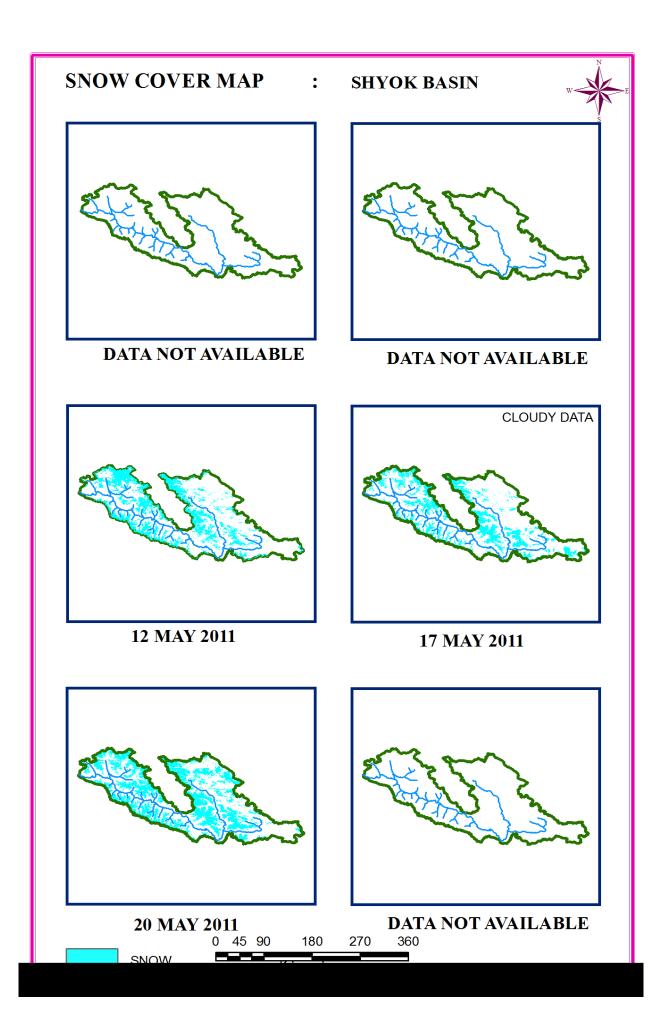
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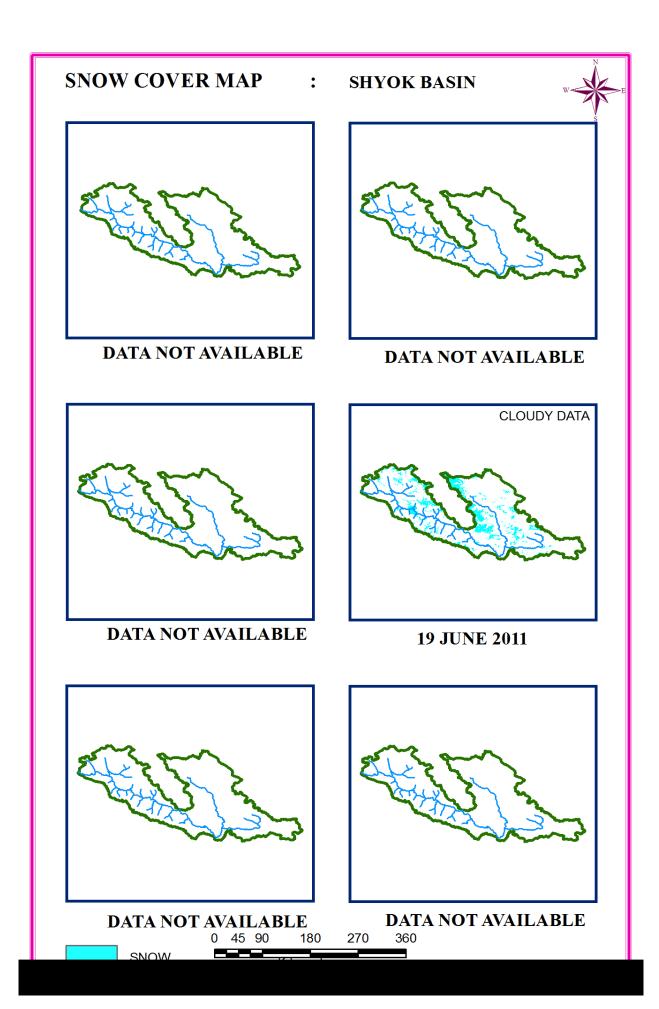
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# SHIGAR BASIN

#### AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

BASIN NAME: SHIGAR

BASIN AREA: 7050 sq km

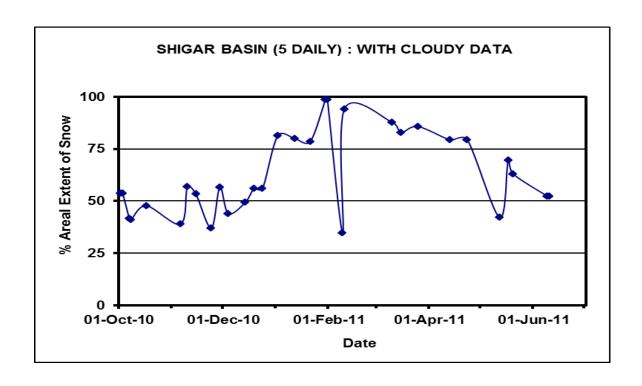
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October 2010									
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3	7-Oct-10	2931.35	42	4	8-Oct-10	2896.88	41		
5	17-Oct-10	3363.90	48						
November 2010									
6	06-Nov-10	2743.55	39	7	10-Nov-10	4004.16	57		
8	15-Nov-10	3758.01	53	9	24-Nov-10	2608.04	37		
10	29-Nov-10	3994.33	57						
December 2010									
11	4-Dec-10	3098.15	44	12	14-Dec-10	3483.58	49		
13	19-Dec-10	3940.21	56	14	24-Dec-10	3942.65	56		
January 2011									
15	2-Jan-11	5738.00	81	16	12-Jan-11	5634.09	80		
17	21-Jan-11	5537.13	79	18	30-Jan-11	6961.82	99		
19	31-Jan-11	6958.83	99						
			Februa	ry 2011					
20	09-Feb-11	2450.40	35	21	10-Feb-11	6637.85	94		
March 2011									
22	10-Mar-11	6186.00	88	23	15-Mar-11	5840.96	83		
24	25-Mar-11	6045.68	86						
April 2011									
25	13-Apr-11	5593.74	79	26	23-Apr-11	5597.70	79		
May 2011									
27	12-May-11	2968.83	42	28	17-May-11	4906.66	70		
29	20-May-11	4936.08	63						
June 2011									
30	9-Jun-11	3690.36	52	31	10-Jun-11	3692.49	52		
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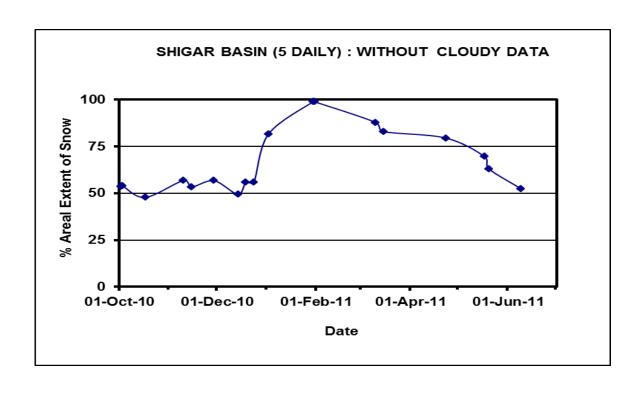
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BASIN NAME: SHIGAR BASIN AREA: 7050 sq km

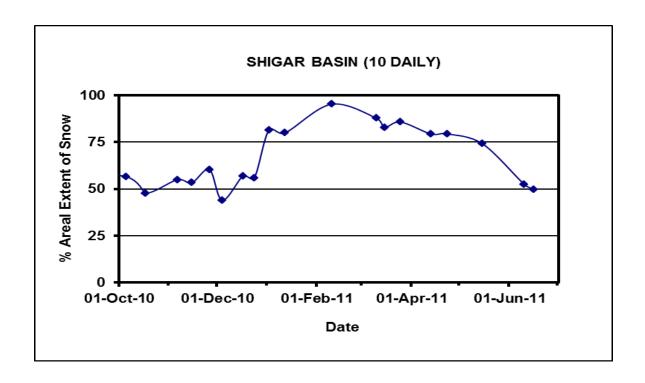
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2	17-Oct-10	3363.90	48	4	15-Nov-10	3758.01	53	
				5	26-Nov-10	4254.61	60	
	Dece	mber 2010			Janu	ary 2011		
6	4-Dec-10	3098.15	44	9	2-Jan-11	5738.00	81	
7	17-Dec-10	4025.55	57	10	12-Jan-11	5634.09	80	
8	24-Dec-10	3942.65	56	11	25-Jan-10	6913.83	98	
	Febr	uary 2011		March 2011				
12	10-Feb-11	6716.53	95	13	10-Mar-11	6186.00	88	
				14	15-Mar-11	5840.96	83	
				15	25-Mar-11	6045.68	86	
	Ap	oril 2011		May 2011				
16	13-Apr-11	5593.74	79	17	15-May-11	5225.63	74	
18	23-Apr-11	5597.70	79					
June 2011					1			
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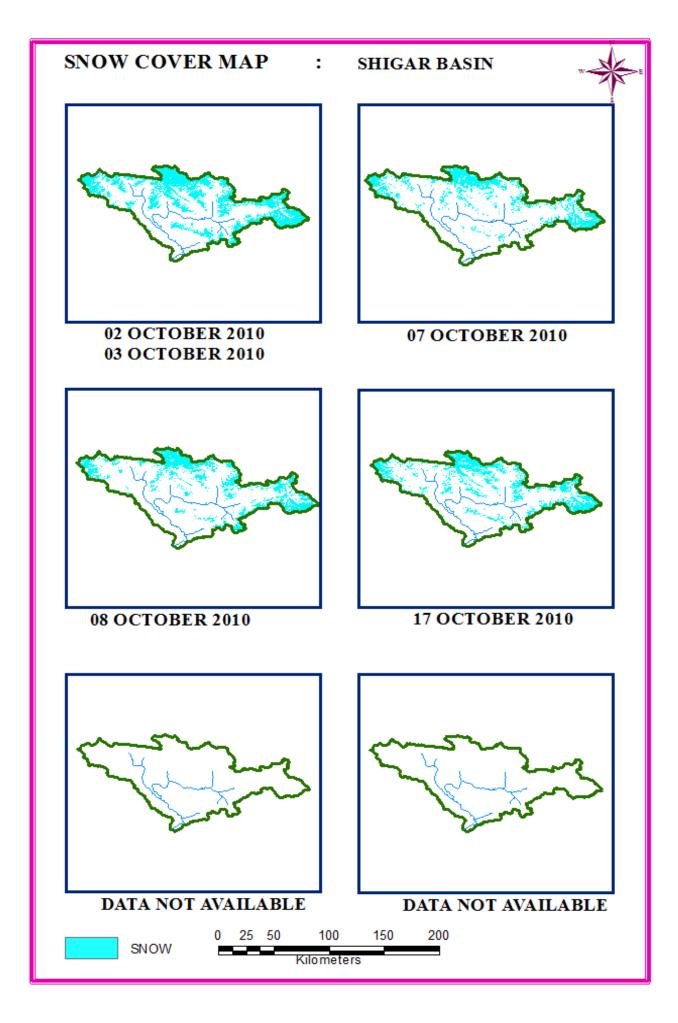


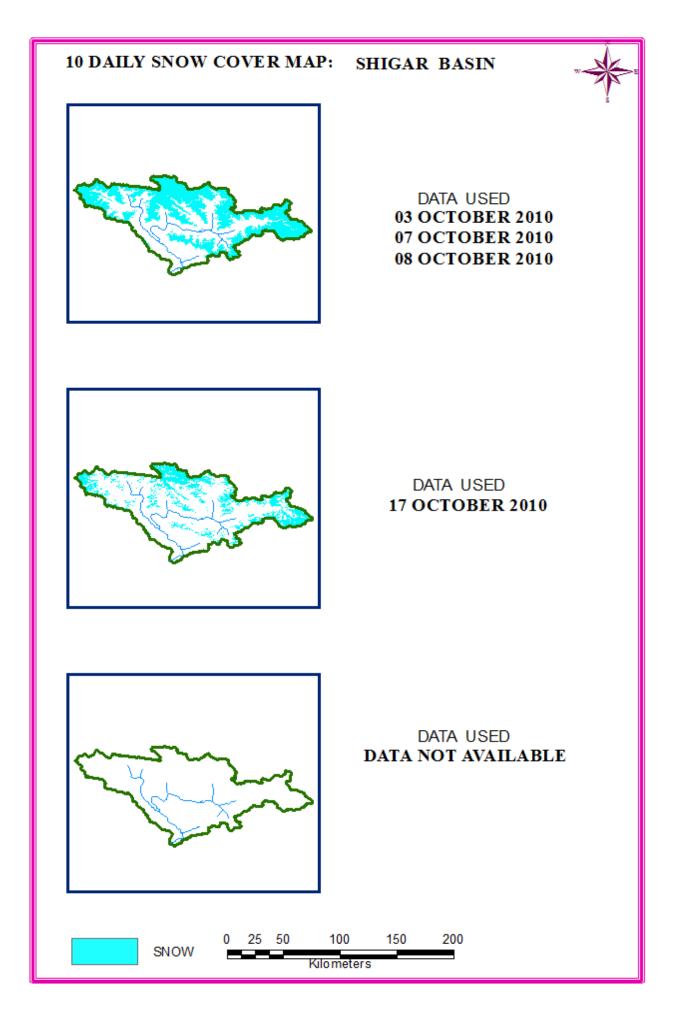


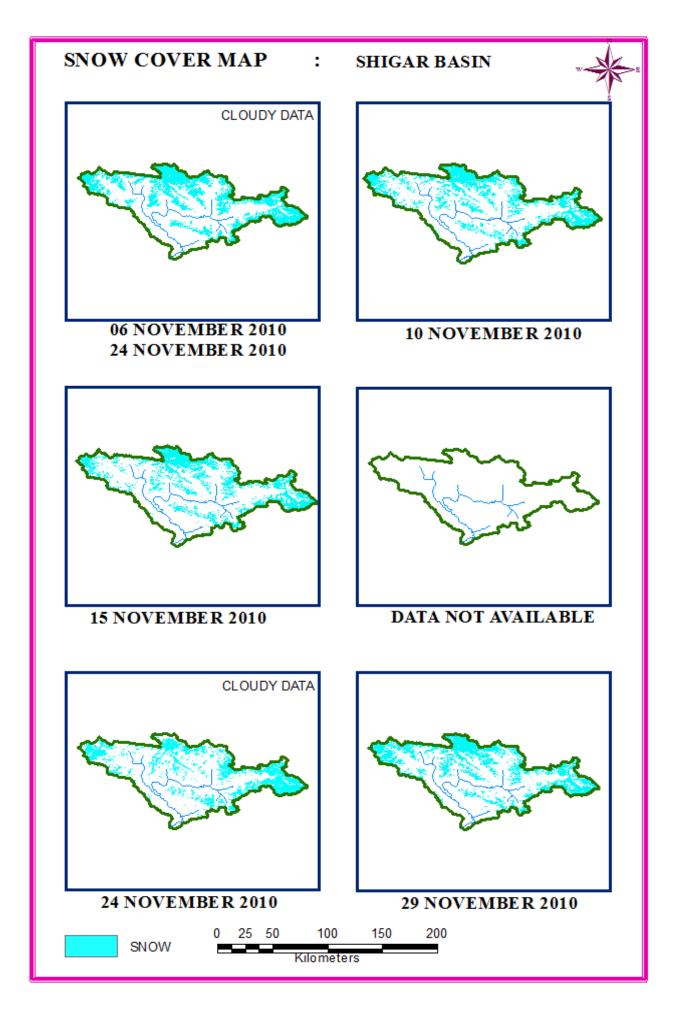
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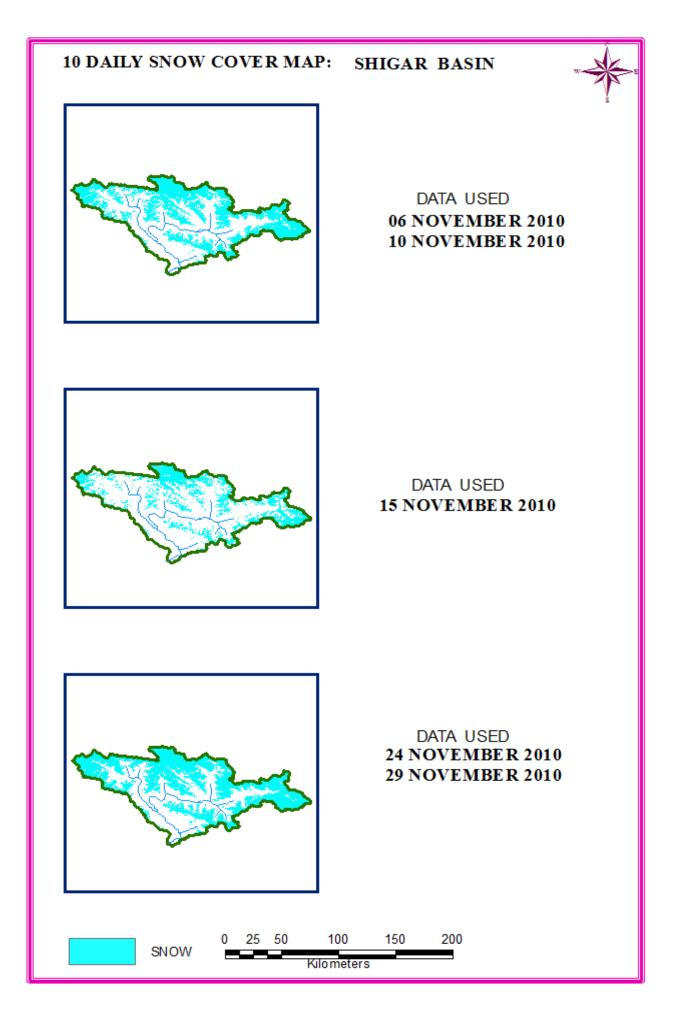


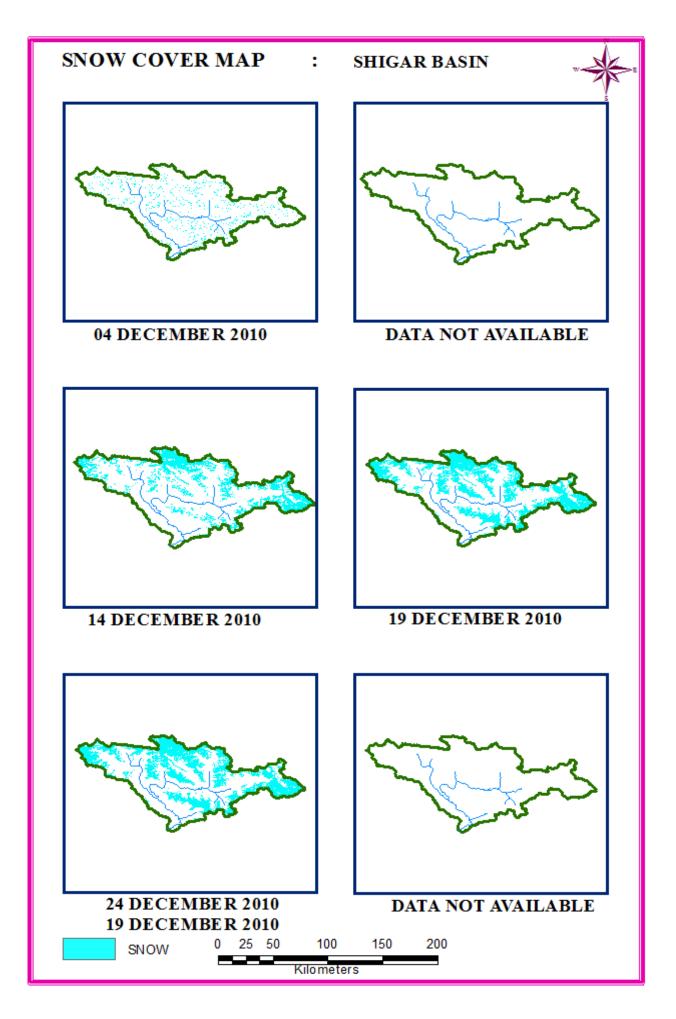
## SNOW COVER MAP

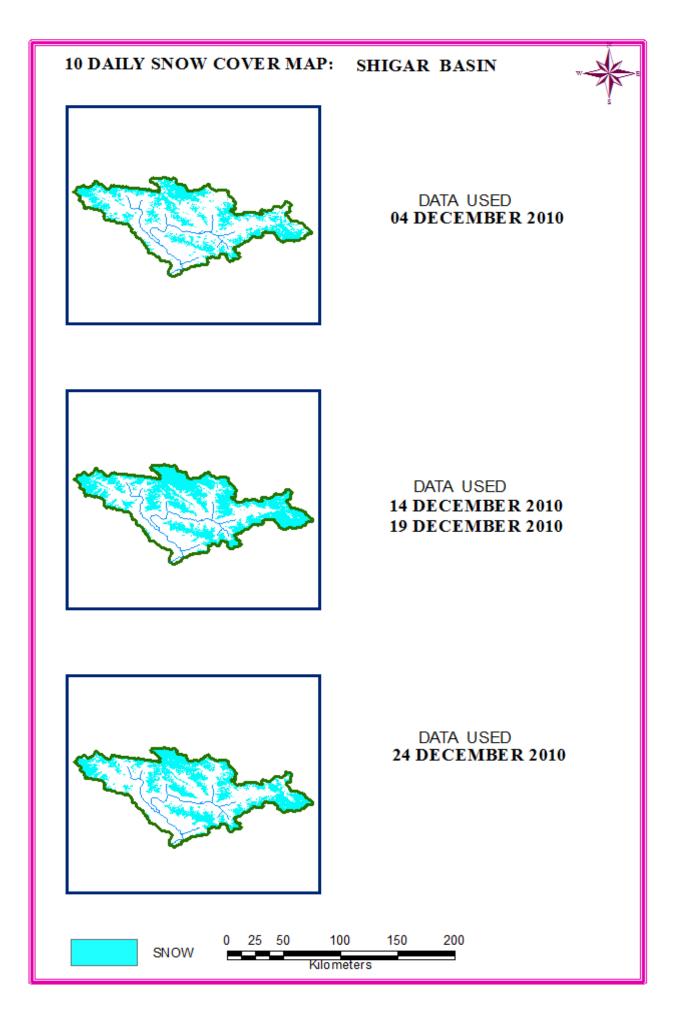


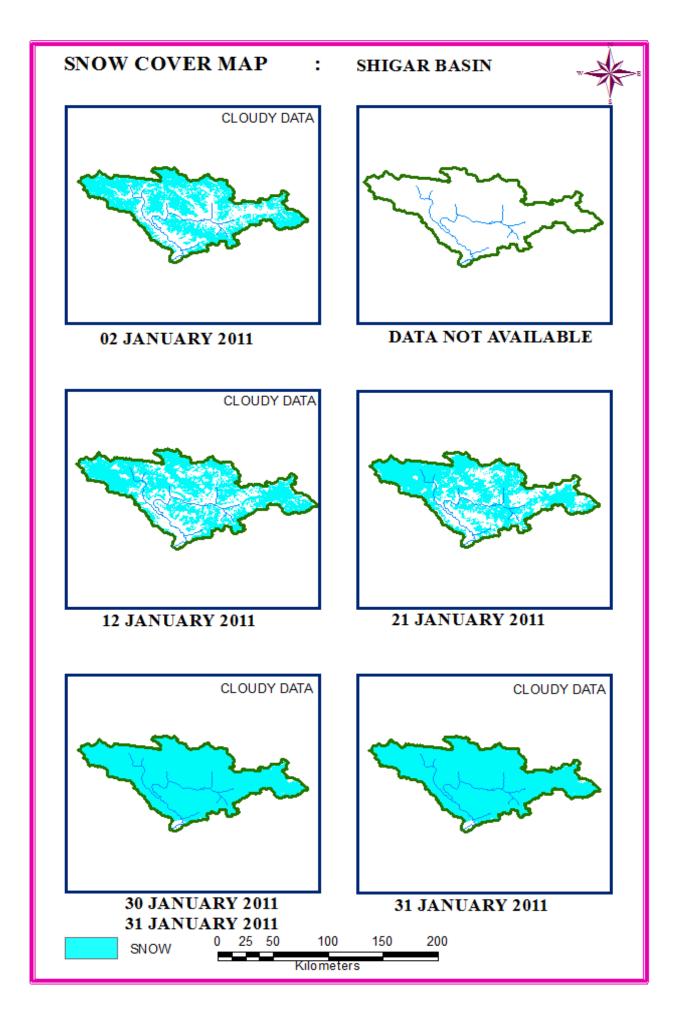


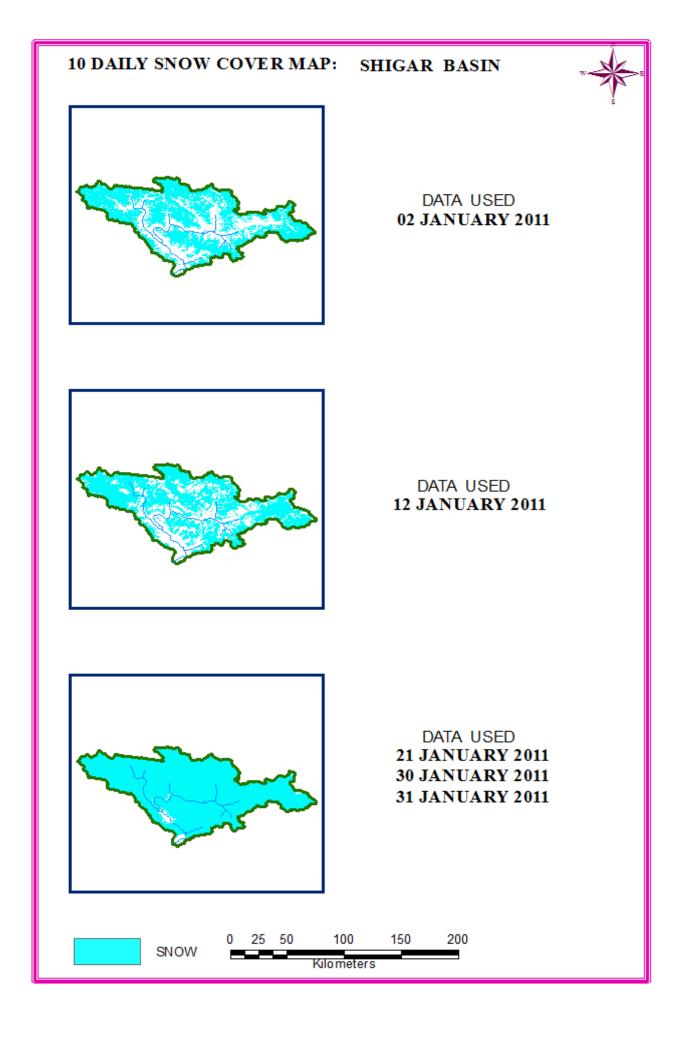


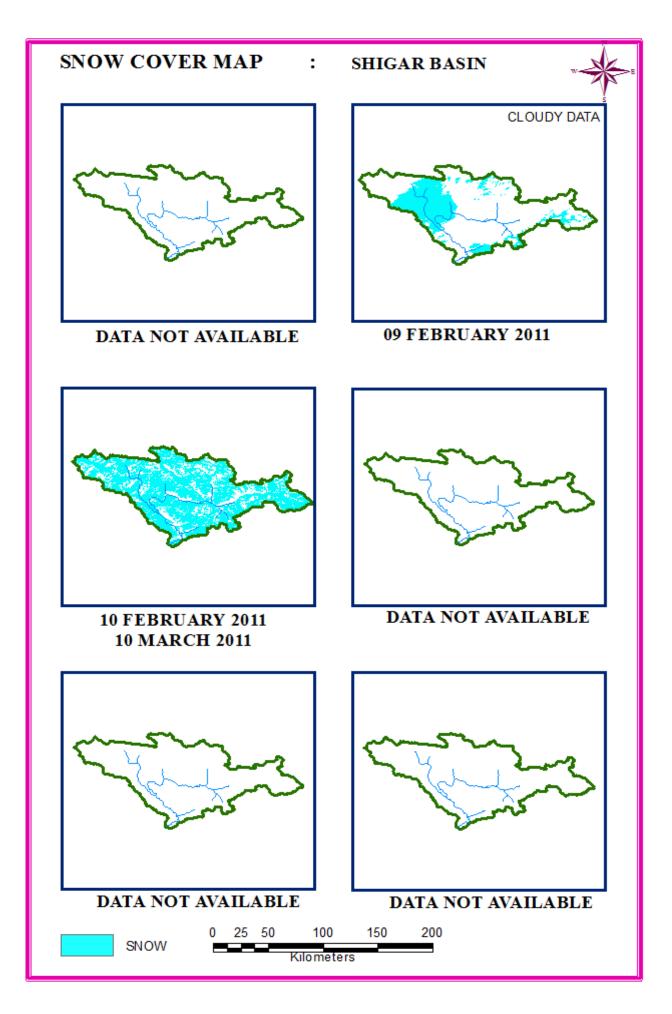


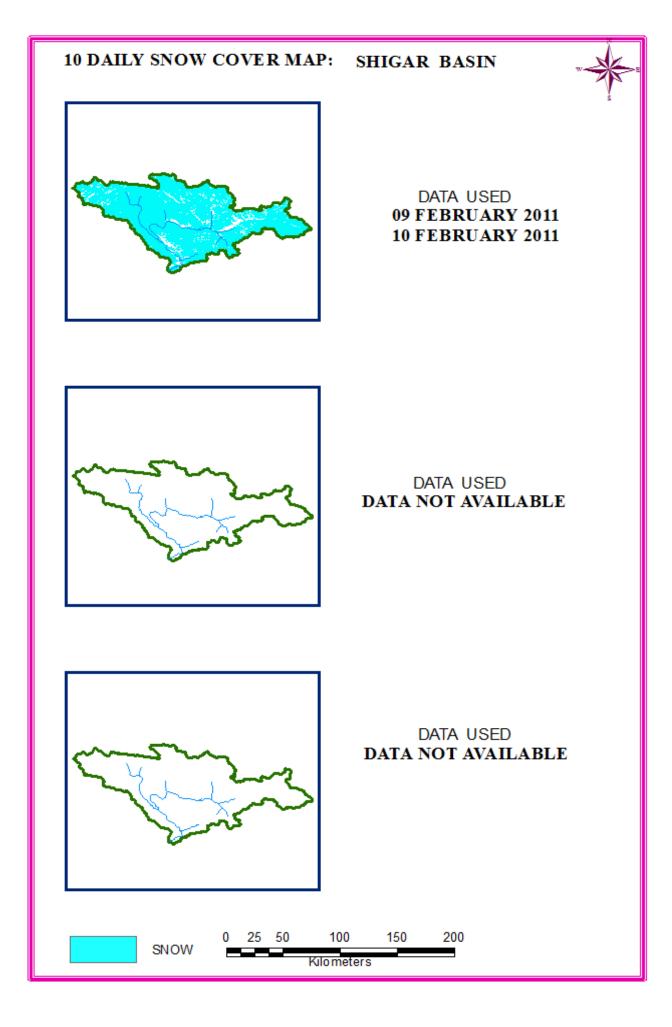


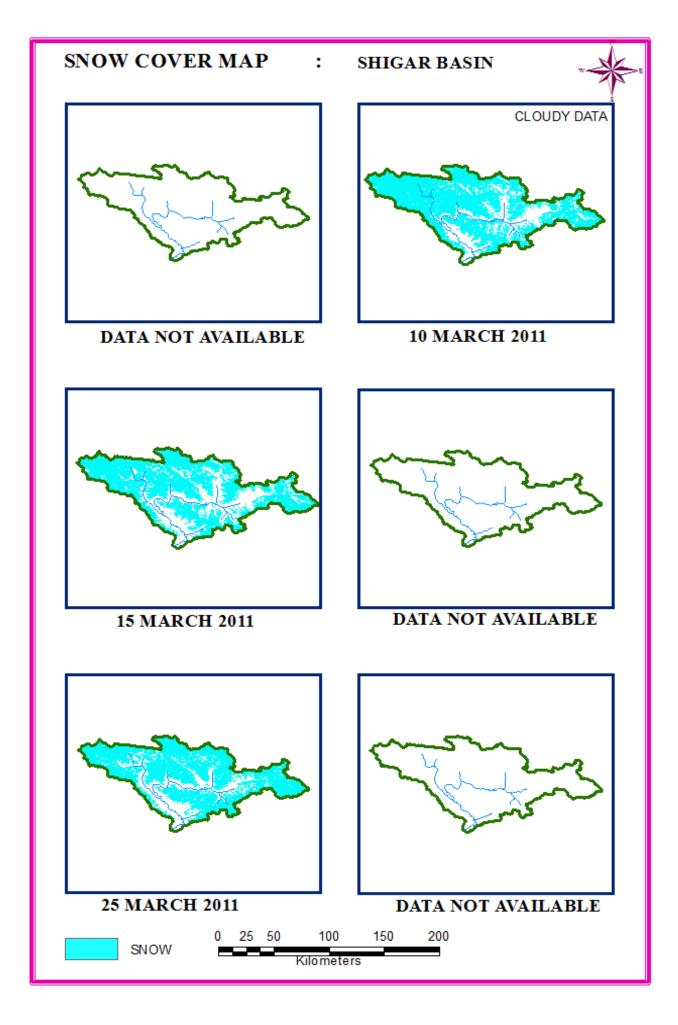


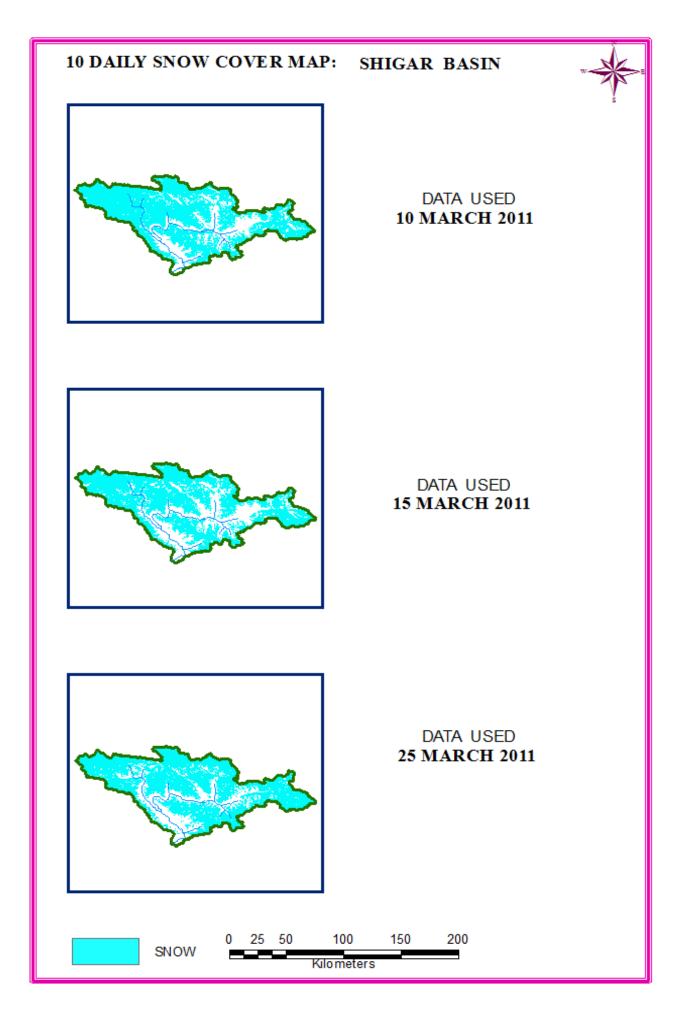


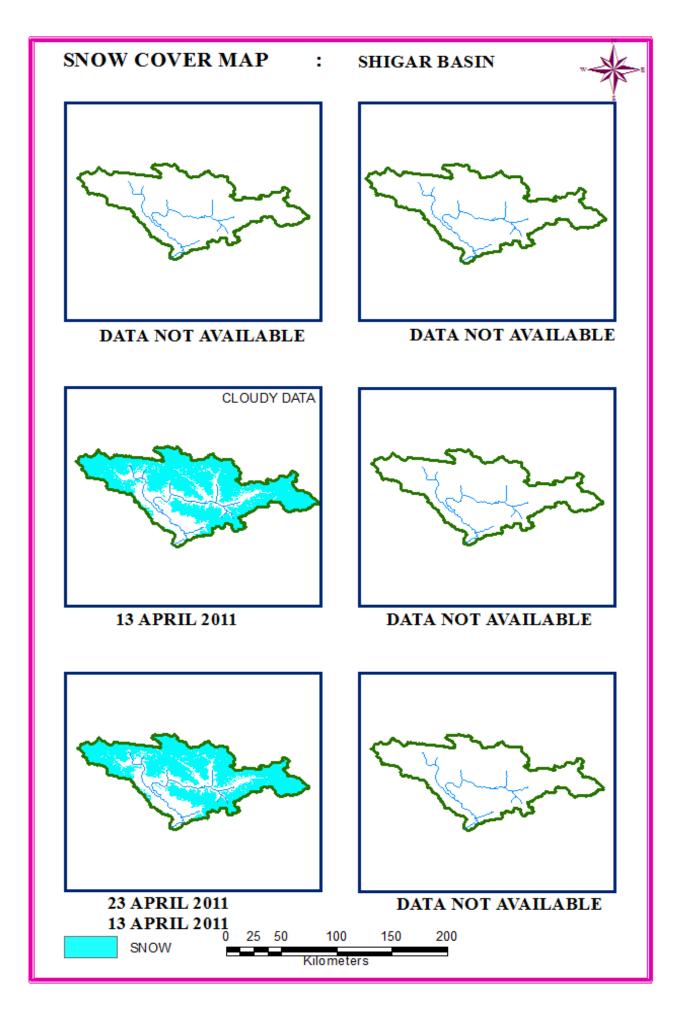


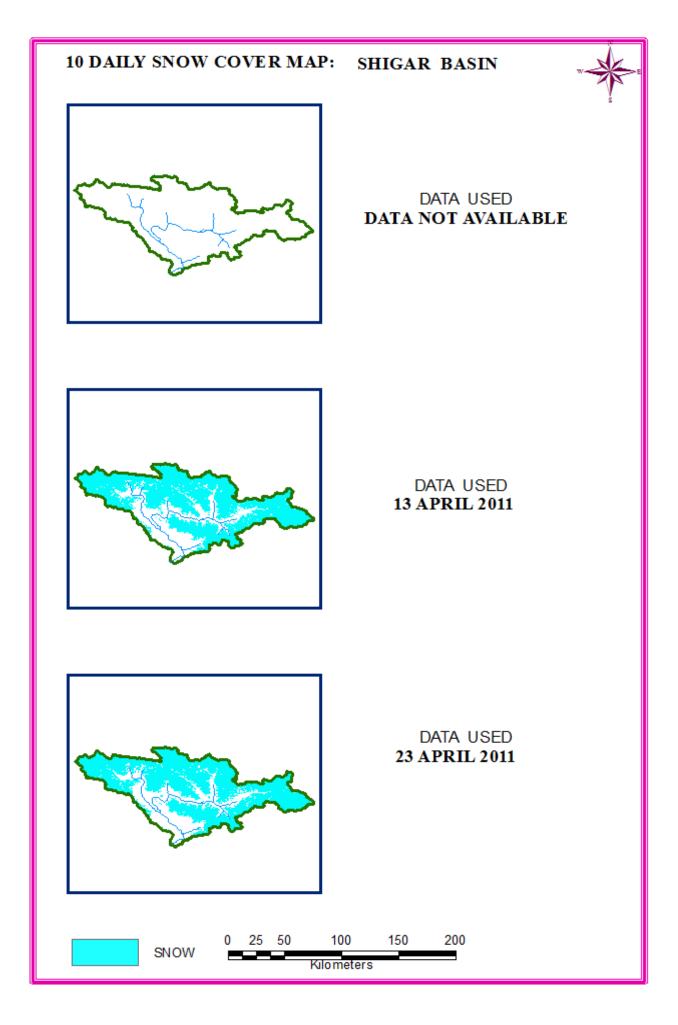


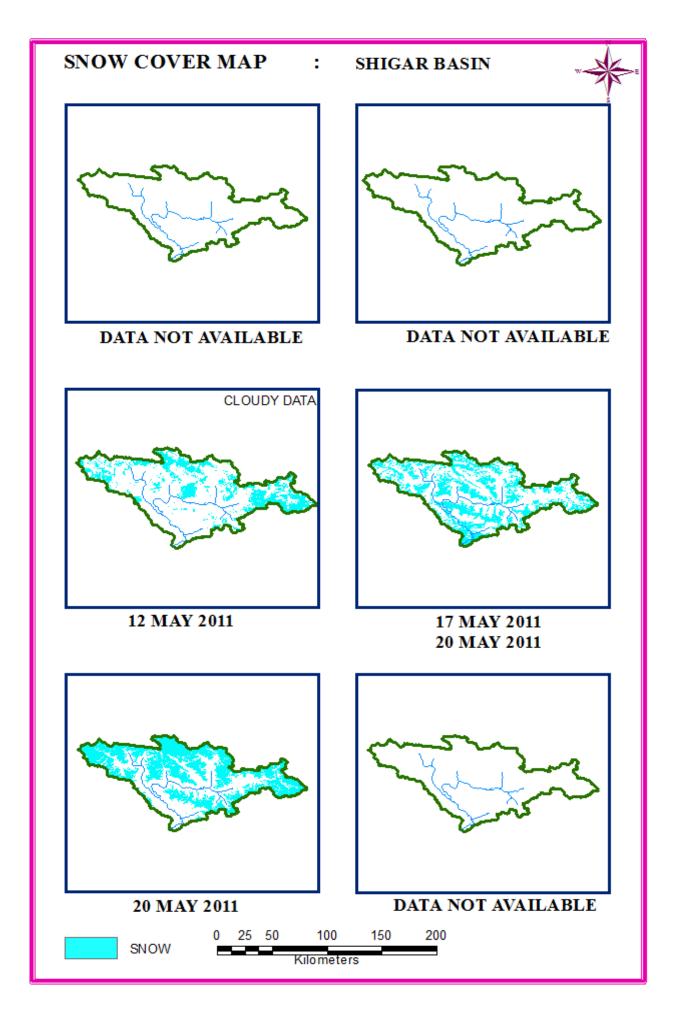


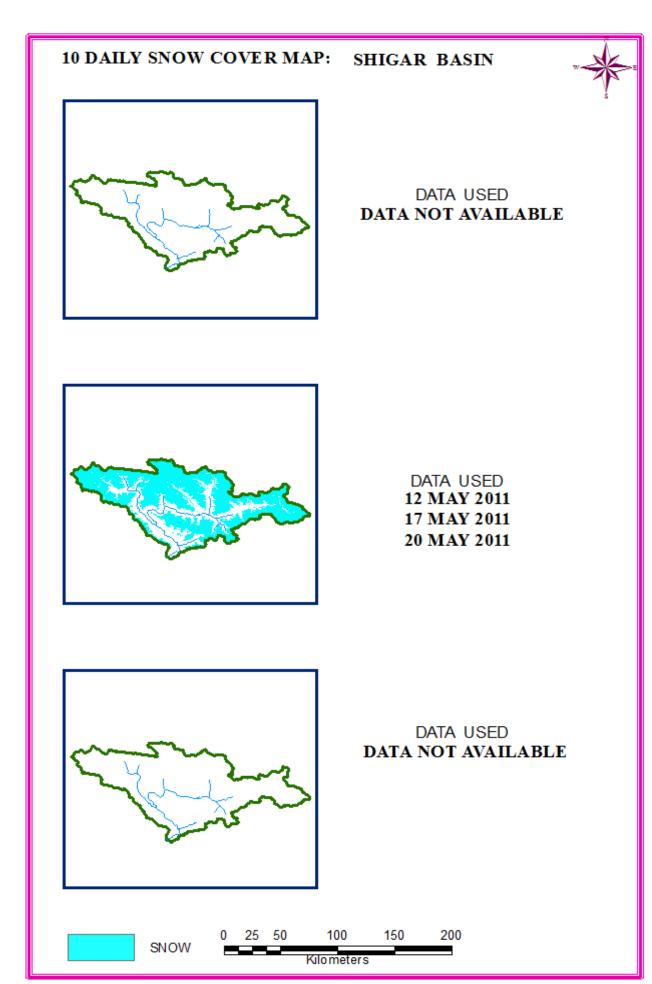


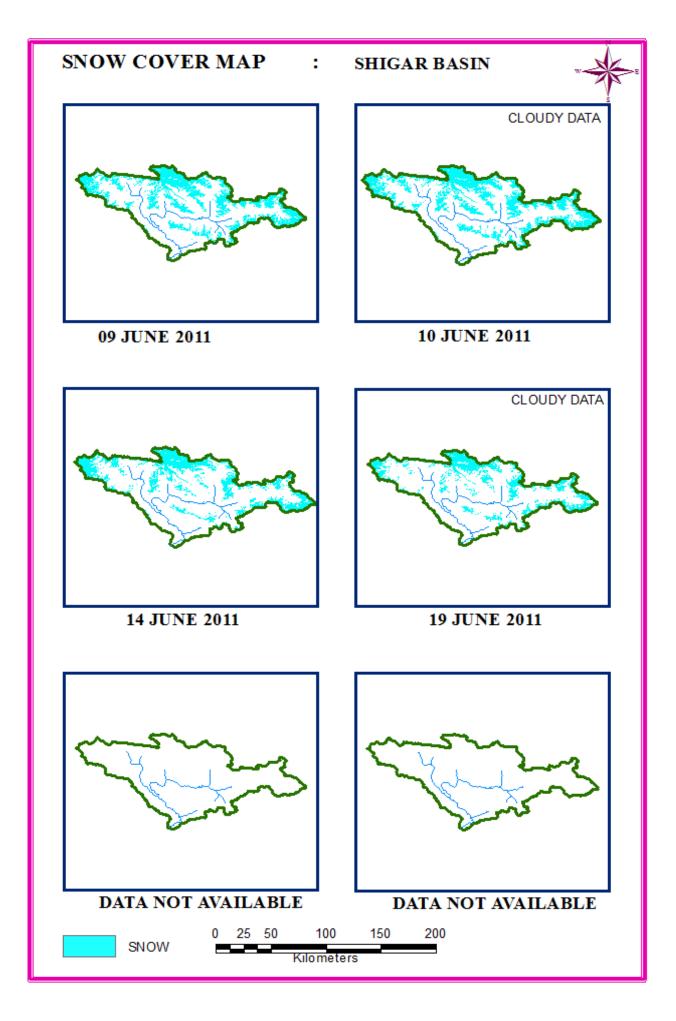


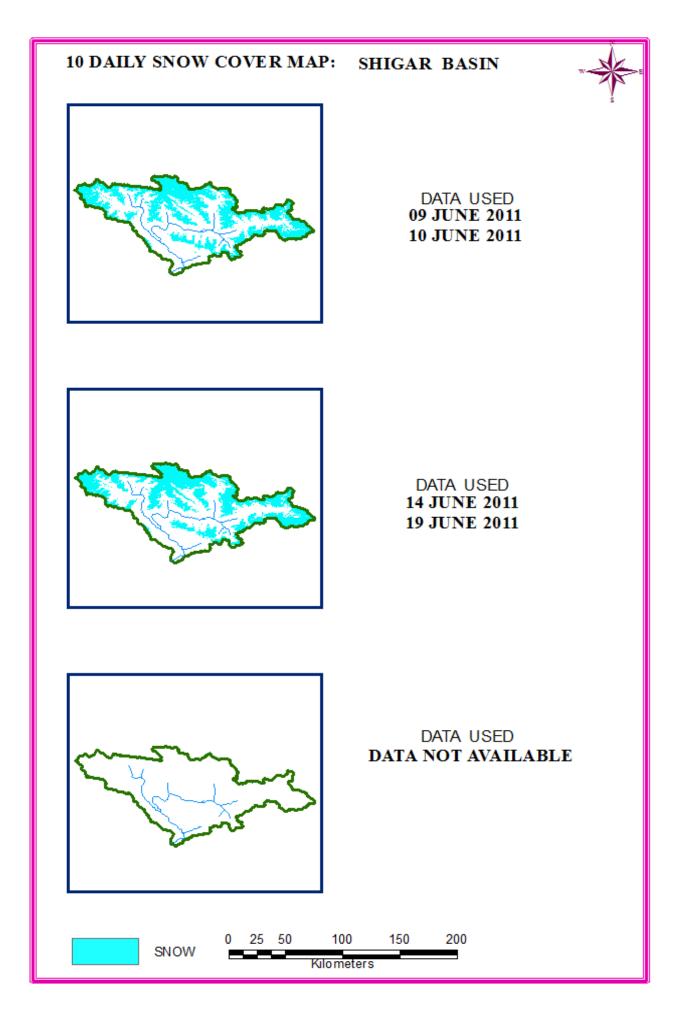












## HANZA BASIN

## AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

BASIN NAME: HANZA BASIN AREA: 13711 sq km

S. No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)
			Octob	er 2010			
1	2-Oct-10	806301	59	2	3-Oct-10	7466.14	54
3	7-Oct-10	6808.29	50				
		,	Novem	ber 2010		,	
4	10-Nov-10	6198.62	45	5	15-Nov-10	5714.22	42
6	29-Nov-10	7462.21	54				
	T	T	Decem	ber 2010	ı	T	
7	14-Dec-10	5698.30	42				
	T	ı	Janua	ry 2011		T	
8	2-Jan-11	9420.29	69	9	12-Jan-11	9840.67	72
10	21-Jan-11	10794.40	79	11	30-Jan-11	9685.96	71
12	31-Jan-11	11135.10	81				
	I		Februa	ary 2011	1		
			Marc	h 2011	_		
13	10- Mar-11	10221.60	75	14	25- Mar-11	9181.94	67
		I I	Apri	2011	1	Γ	
15	13-Apr-11	9157.48	67				
			May	2011	1		
16	20-May-11	8004.79	58	2014			
			June	2011			
17	9-Jun-11	4877.83	36	18	19-Jun-11	4057.96	30

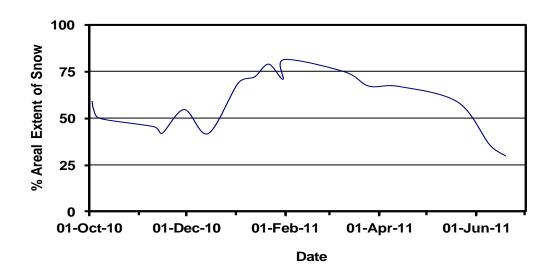
## AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (10 DAILY)

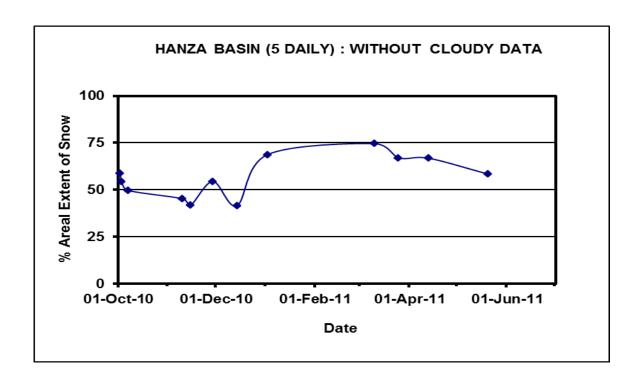
BASIN NAME: HANZA BASIN AREA: 13711 sq km

S. No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S. No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	
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1	5-Oct-10	8514.98	62	2	10-Nov-10	6198.62	45	
				3	15-Nov-10	5714.22	42	
				4	29-Nov-10	7462.21	54	
	Dece	mber 2010		January 2011				
5	14-Dec-10	5698.30	42	6	02-Jan-11	9420.29	69	
				7	12-Jan-11	9840.67	72	
				8	25-Jan-11	12174.30	89	
February 2011				March 2011				
				9	10-Mar-11	10221.60	75	
				10	25-Mar-11	9181.94	67	
	Ap	oril 2011		May 2011				
11	13-Apr-11	9157.48	67	12	20-May-11	8004.79	58	
	Ju	ne 2011			1	1		
13	9-Jun-11	4877.83	36					
14	19-Jun-11	4057.96	30					

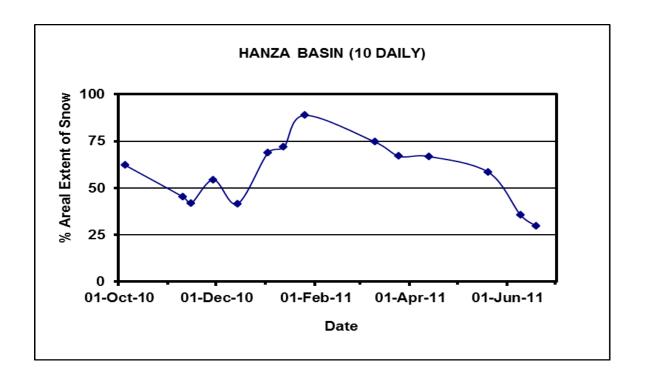
### Snow cover depletion curve

#### HANZA BASIN (5 DAILY): WITH CLOUDY DATA

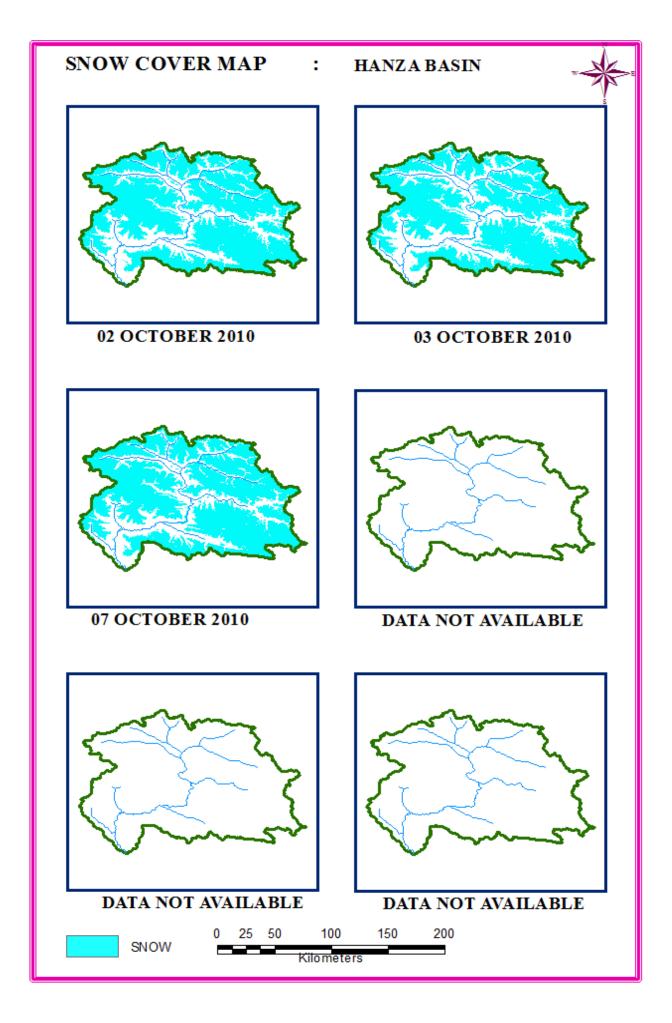


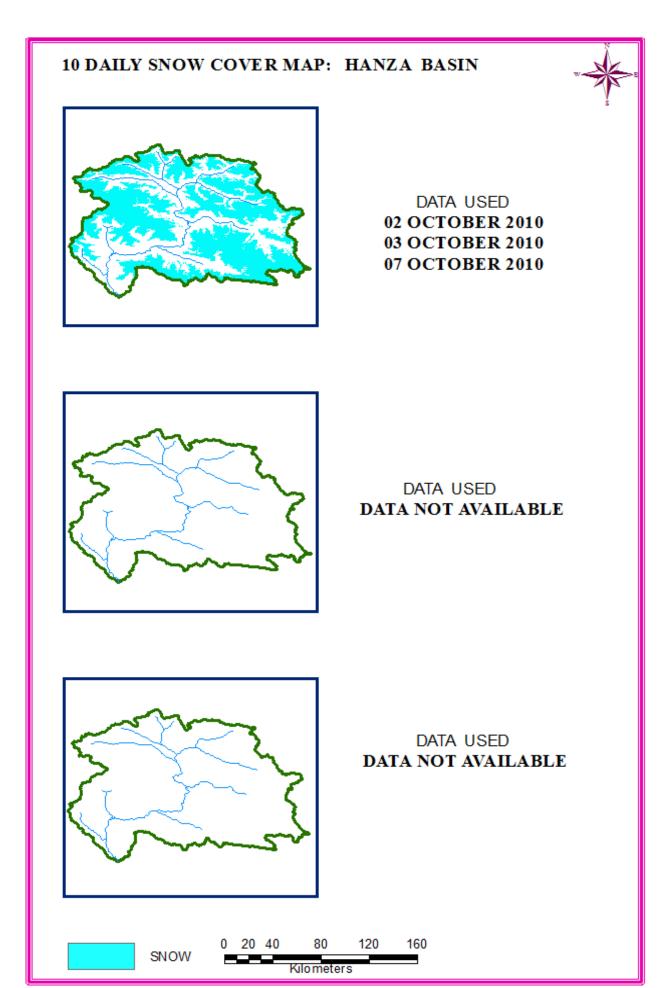


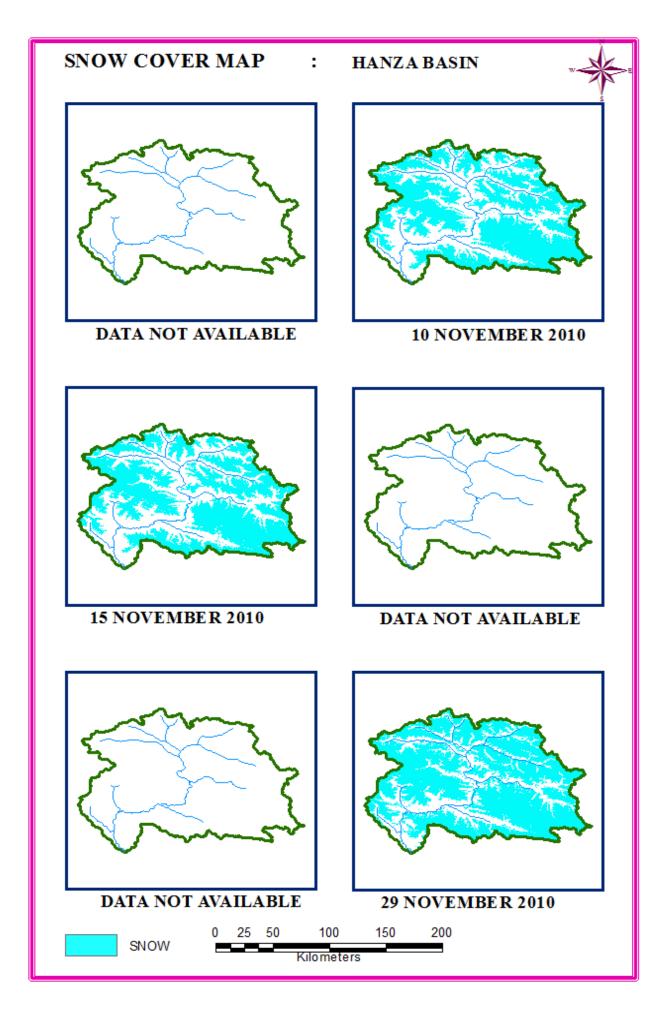
## **Snow cover depletion curve**

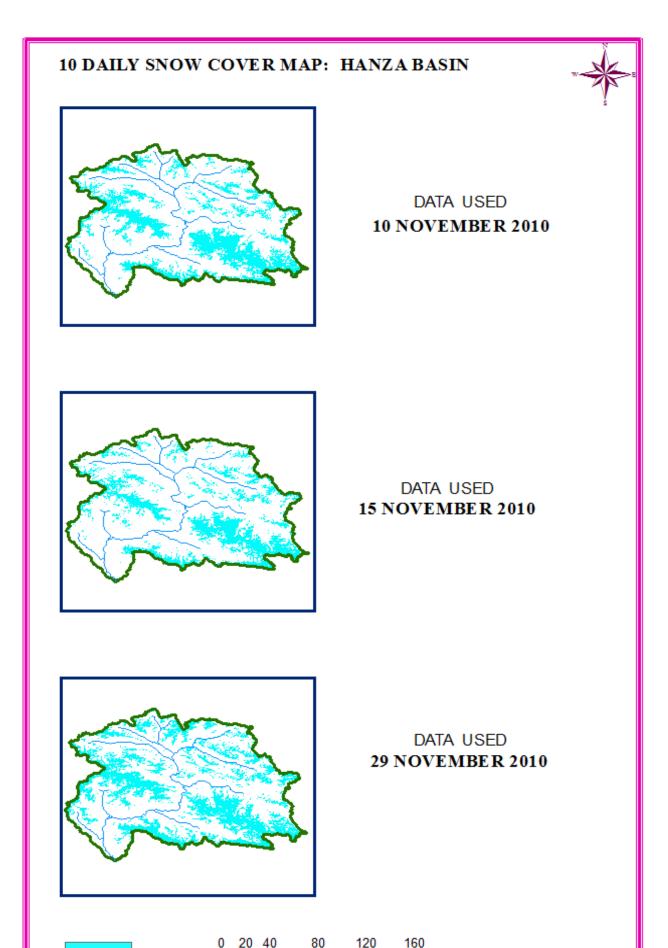


# SNOW COVER MAP



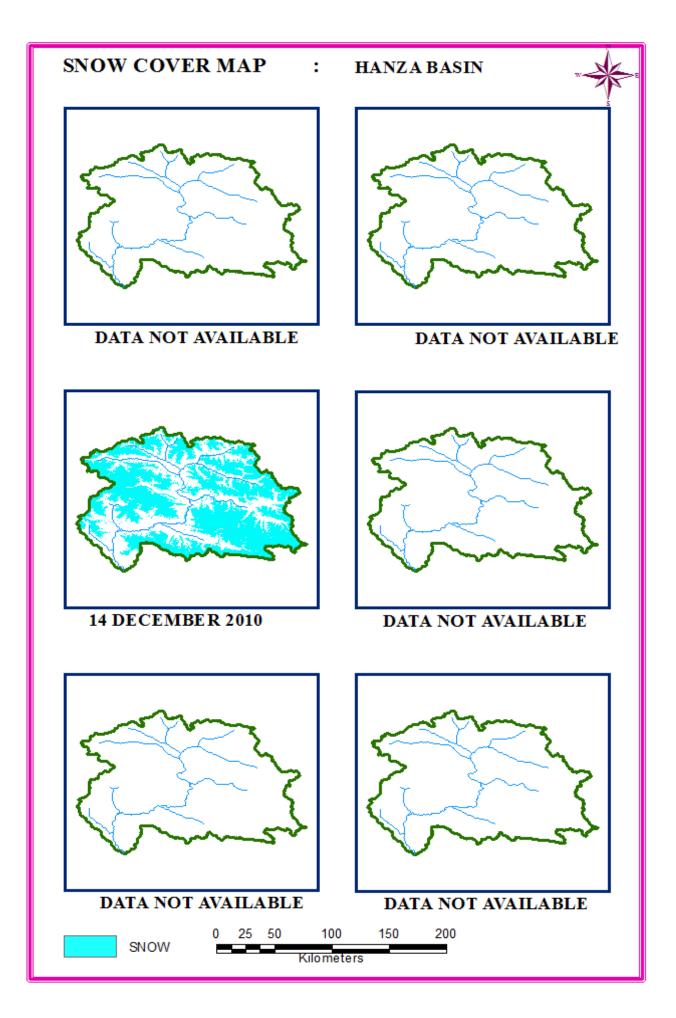


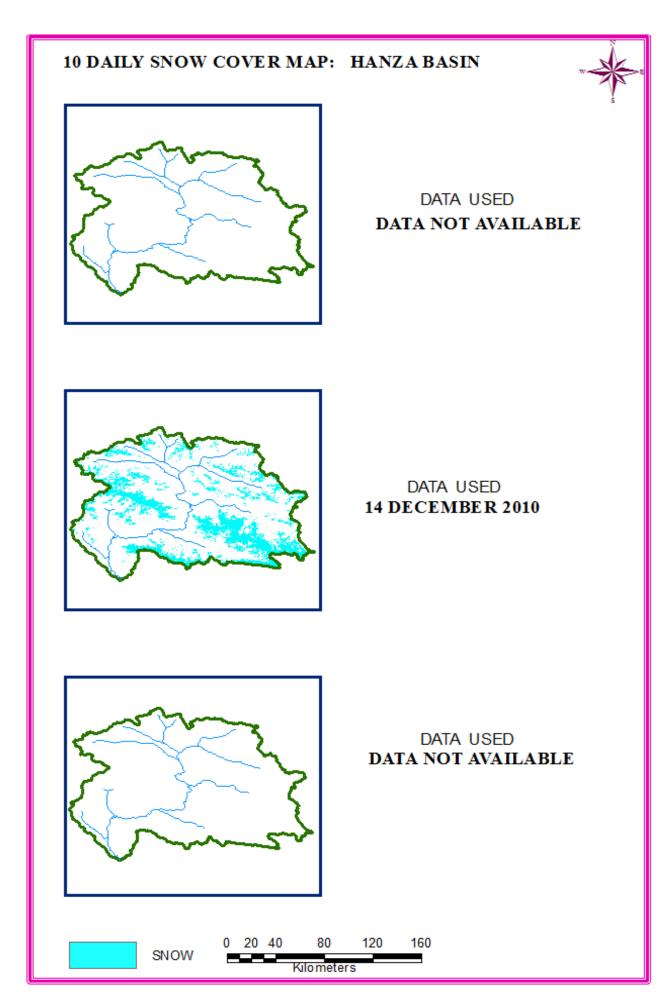


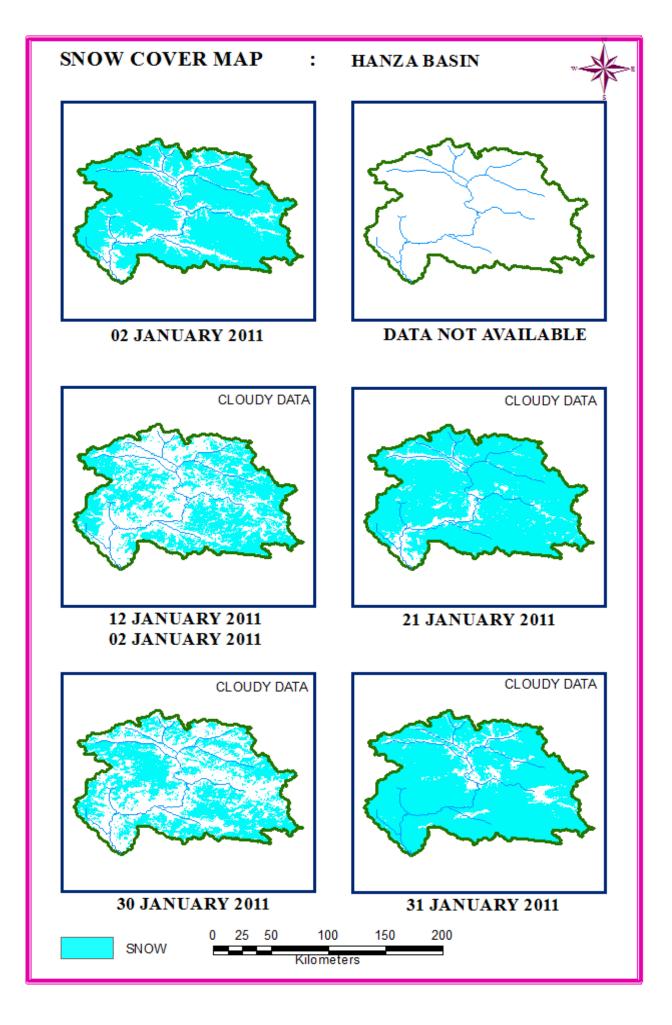


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SNOW

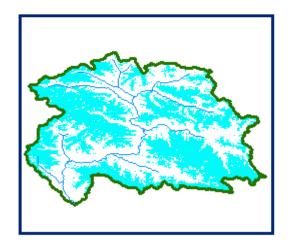




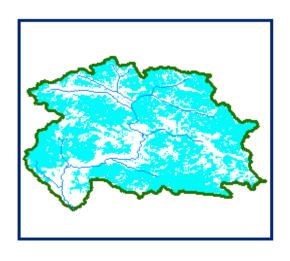


#### 10 DAILY SNOW COVER MAP: HANZA BASIN

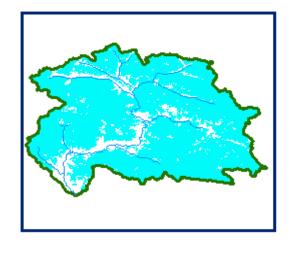




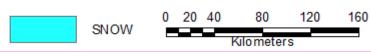
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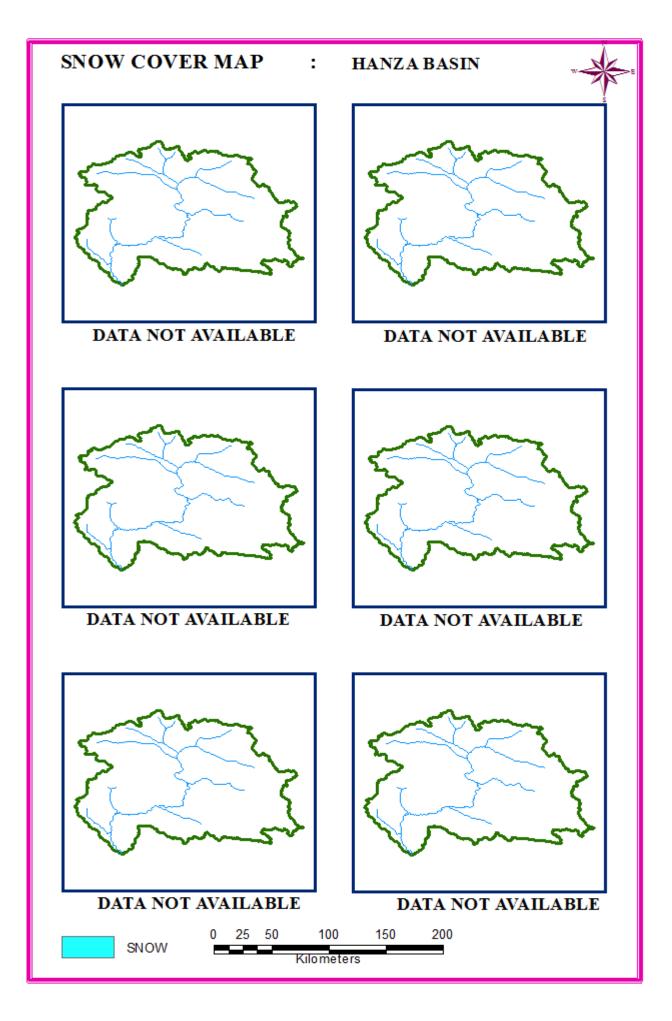


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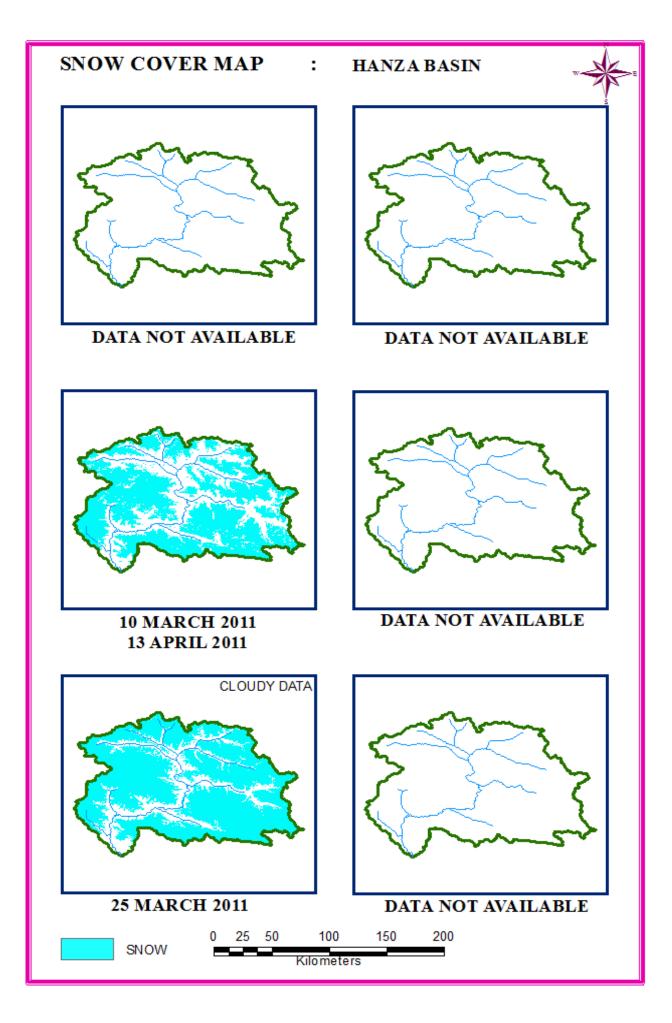
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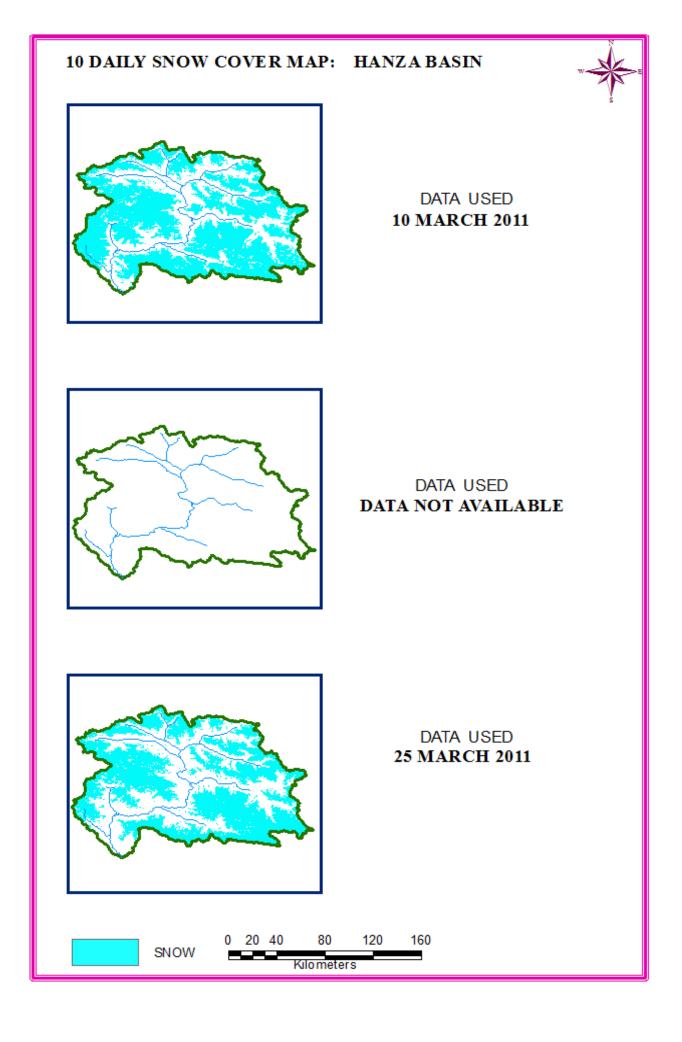


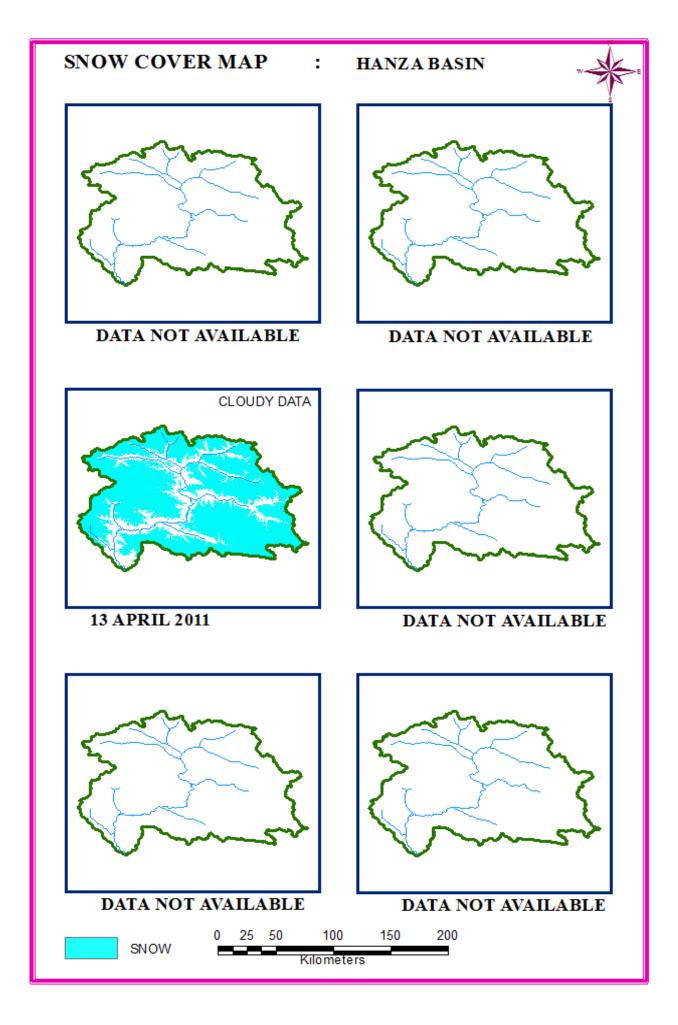


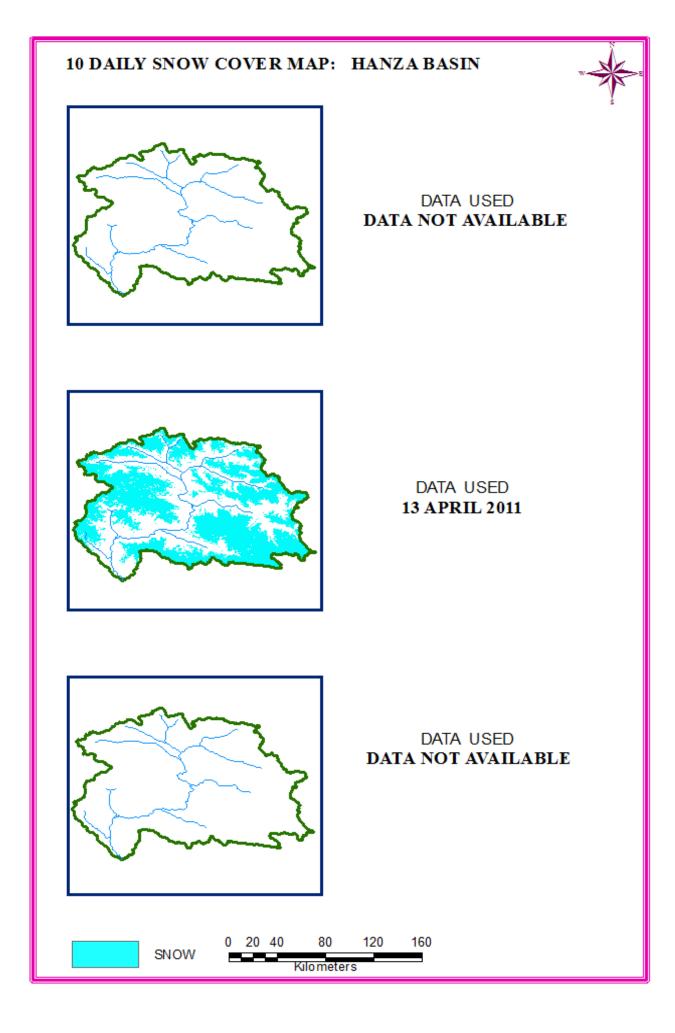


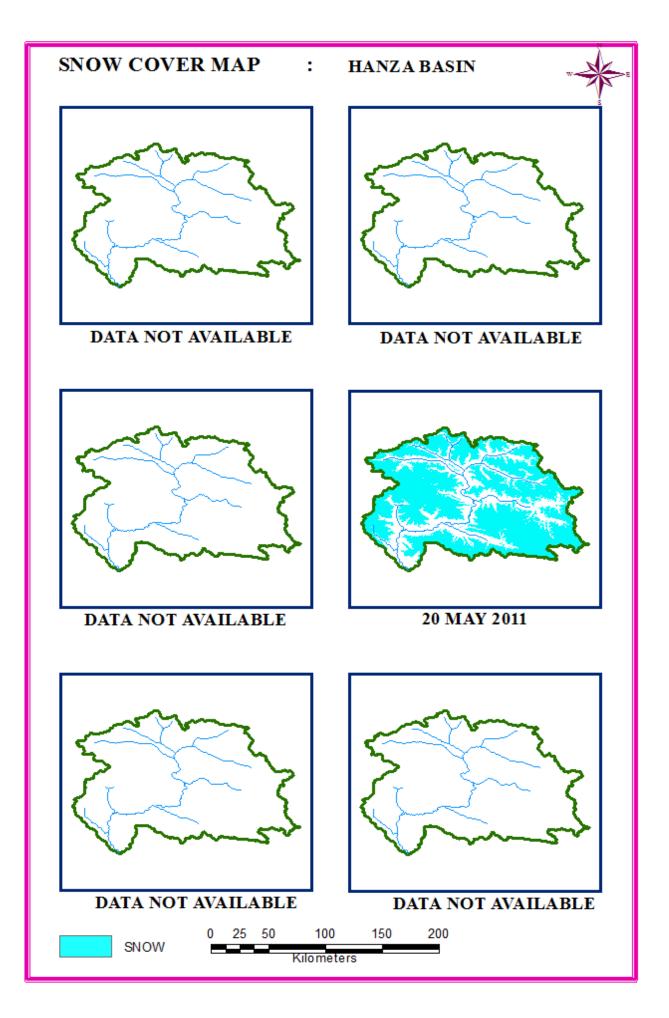
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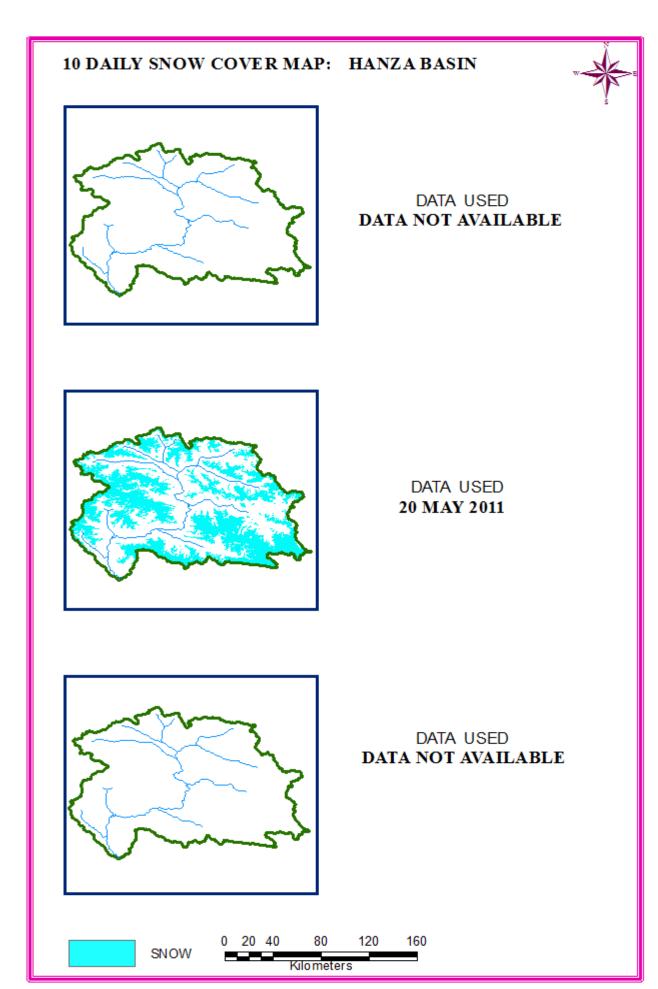


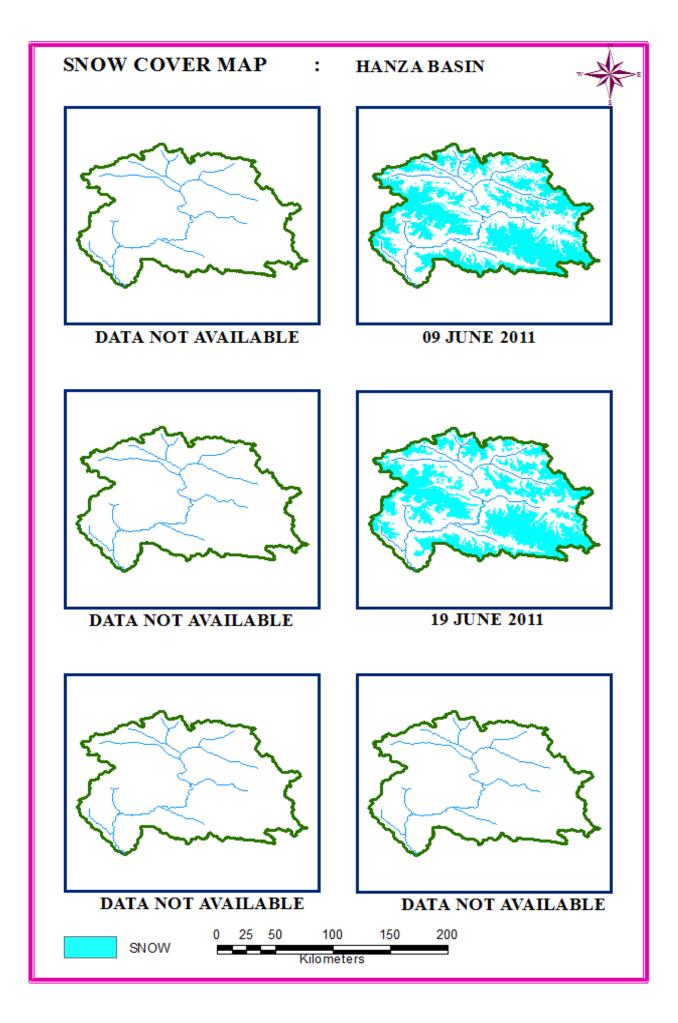


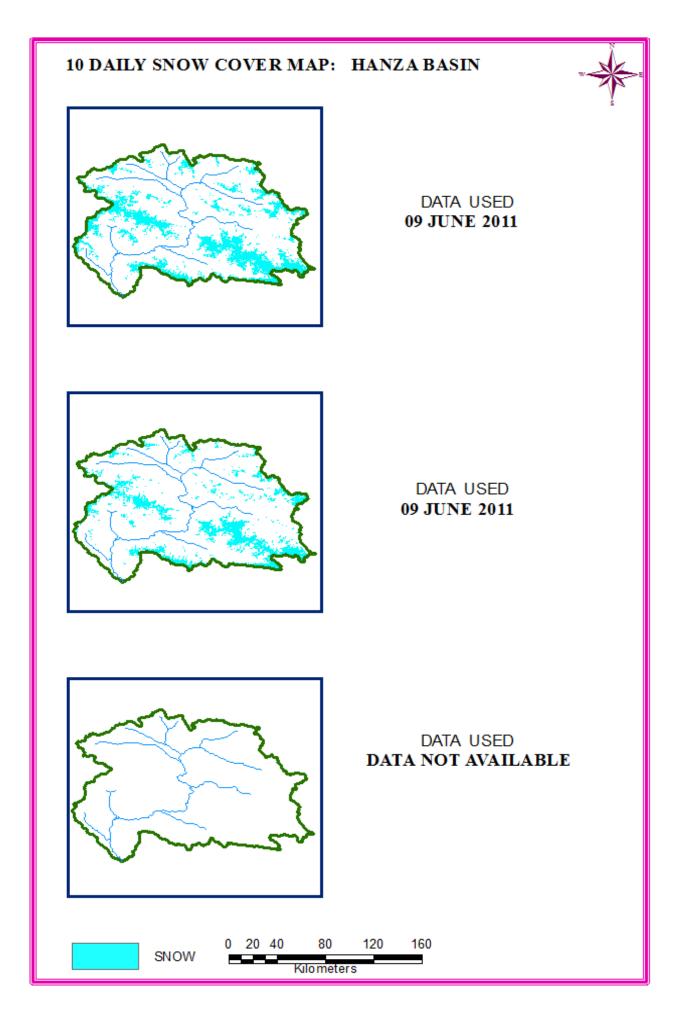












### GILGIT BASIN

### AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

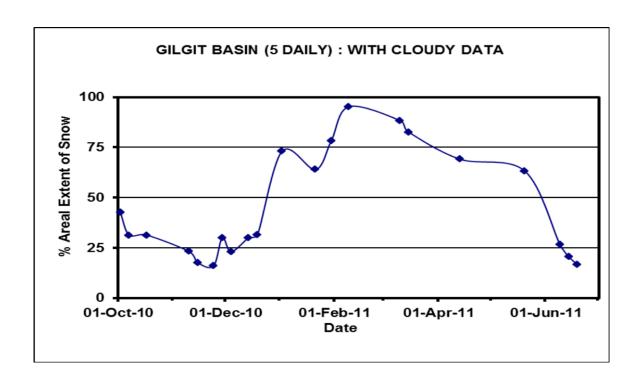
BASIN NAME: GILGIT BASIN AREA: 13615 sq km

S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)		
October 2010									
1	02-Oct-10	5795.64	43	2	07-Oct-10	4259.03	31		
3	17-Oct-10	4261.06	31						
			Novem	ber 2010					
4	10-Nov-10	3157.49	23	5	15-Nov-10	2393.60	18		
6	24-Nov-10	2164.90	16	7	29-Nov-10	4085.06	30		
			Decem	ber 2010					
8	04-Dec-10	3143.53	23	9	14-Dec-10	4086.20	30		
10	19-Dec-10	4278.97	31						
			Janua	ry 2011					
11	2-Jan-11	9943.10	73	12	21-Jan-11	8706.74	64		
13	30-Jan-11	10656.80	78						
			Februa	ary 2011					
14	09-Feb-11	12967.40	95						
			Marc	h 2011					
15	10-Mar-11	12025.00	88	16	16-Mar-11	11249.20	83		
			Apri	l 2011					
17	13-Apr-11	9412.99	69						
May 2011									
18	20-May-11	8613.55	63						
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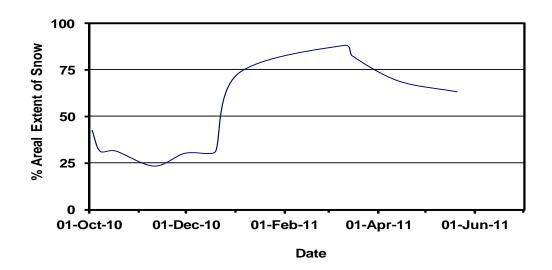
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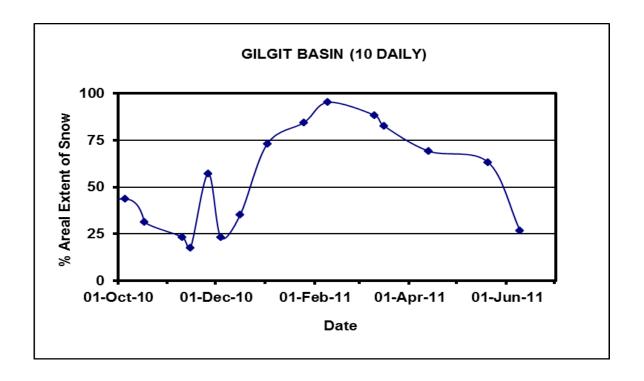
BASIN NAME: GILGIT BASIN AREA: 13615 sq km

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	Octo	ober 2010		November 2010				
1	5-Oct-10	5941.56	44	3	10-Nov-10	3157.49	23	
2	17-Oct-10	4261.06	31	4	15-Nov-10	2393.60	18	
				5	26-Nov-10	7785.69	57	
December 2010			January 2011					
6	4-Dec-10	3143.53	23	7	2-Jan-11	9943.10	73	
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	Febr	uary 2011		March 2011				
10	9-Feb-11	12967.40	95	11	10-Mar-11	12025.00	88	
				12	15-Mar-11	11249.20	83	
April 2011				May 2011				
13	13-Apr-11	9412.99	69	14	20-May-11	8613.55	63	
June 2011								
15	09-Jun-11	3644.13	27					
16	16-Jun-05	2983.88	22					

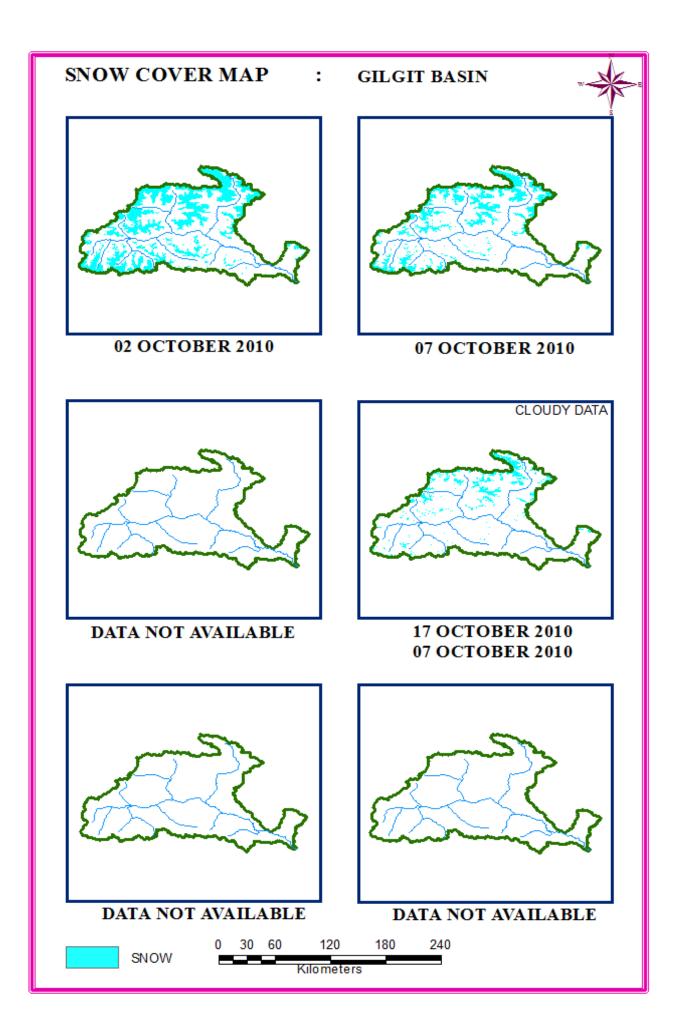


#### GILGIT BASIN (5 DAILY): WITHOUT CLOUDY DATA





### SNOW COVER MAP



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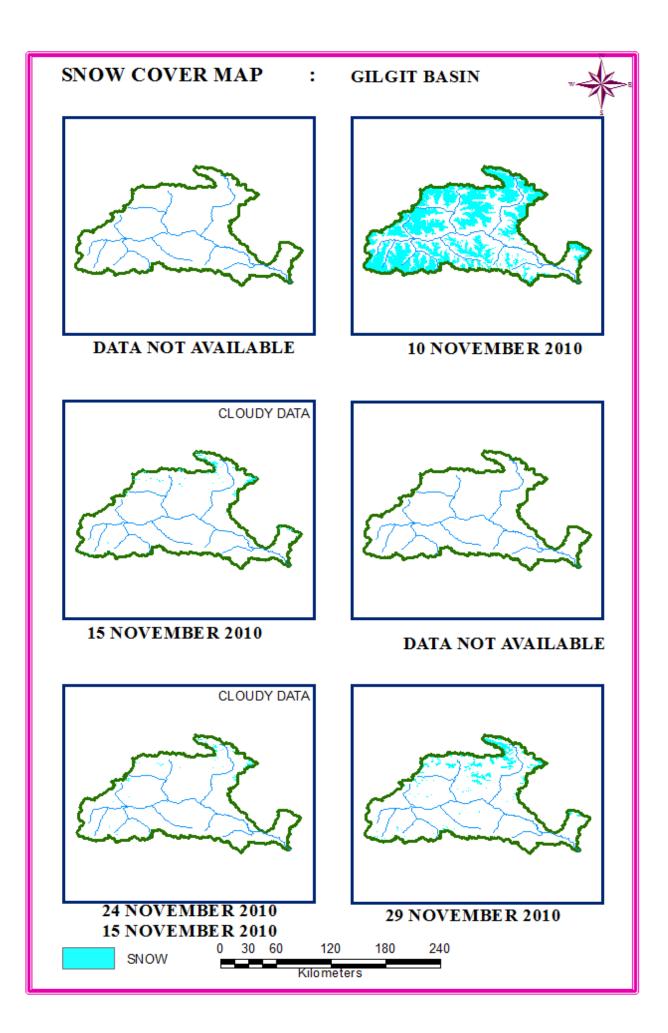
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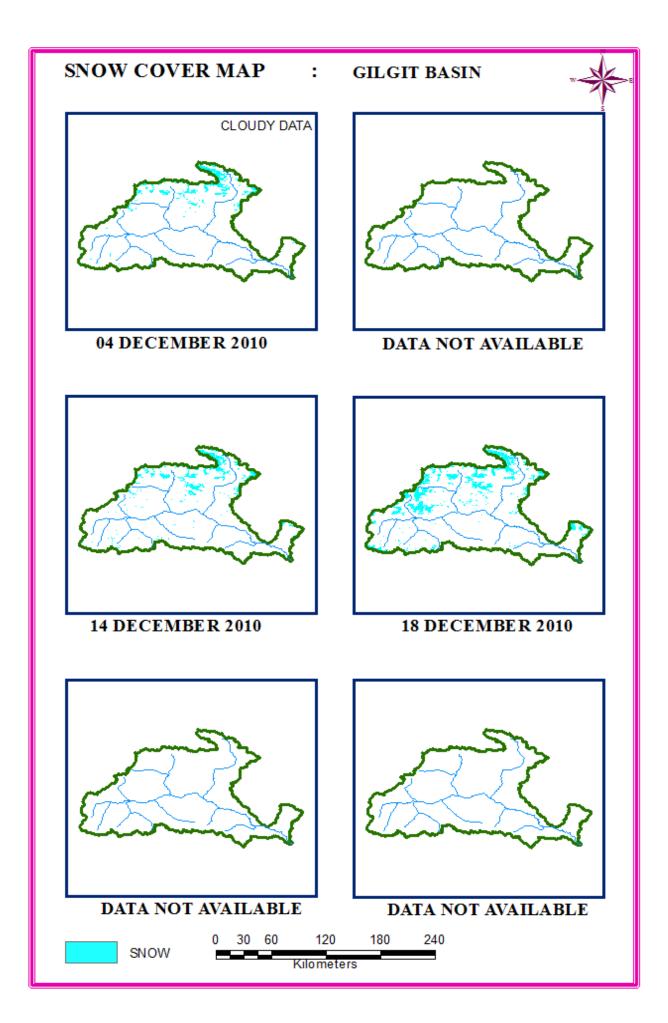
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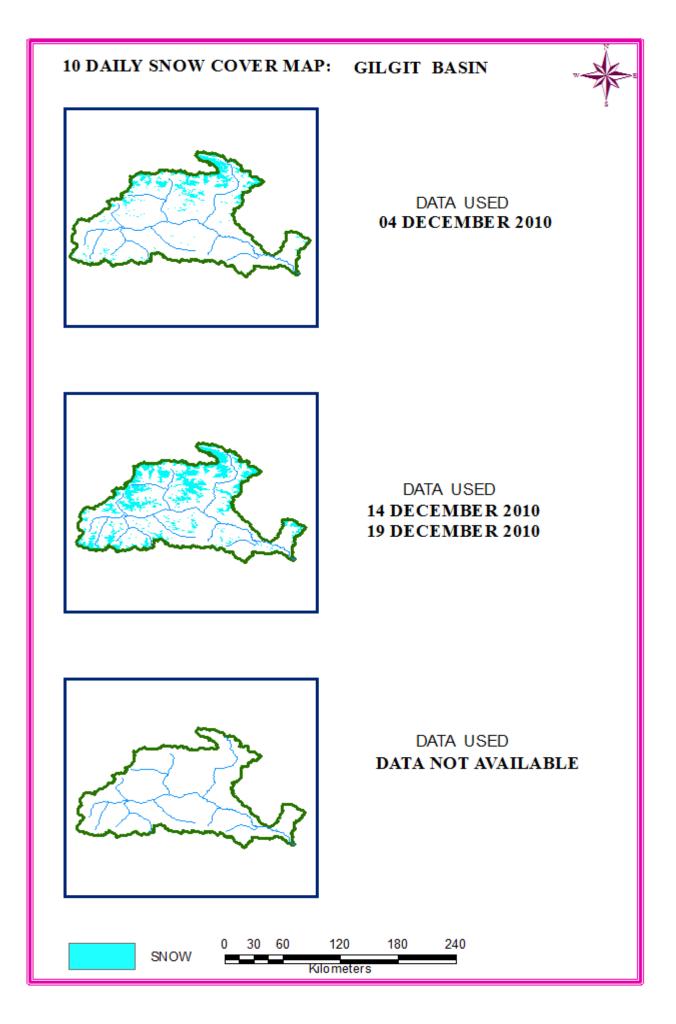
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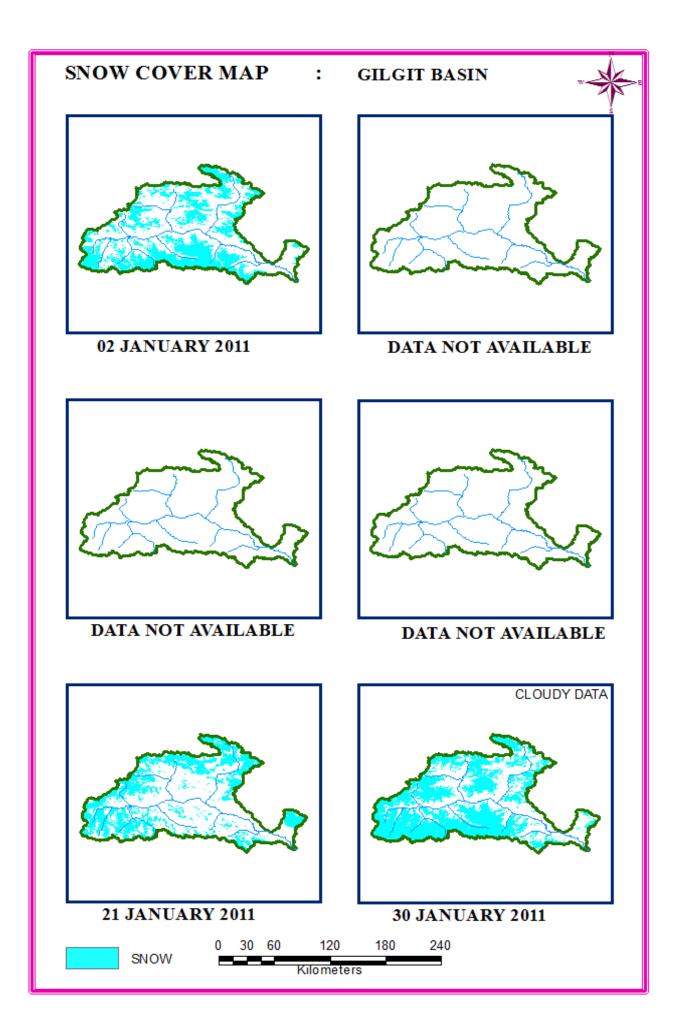
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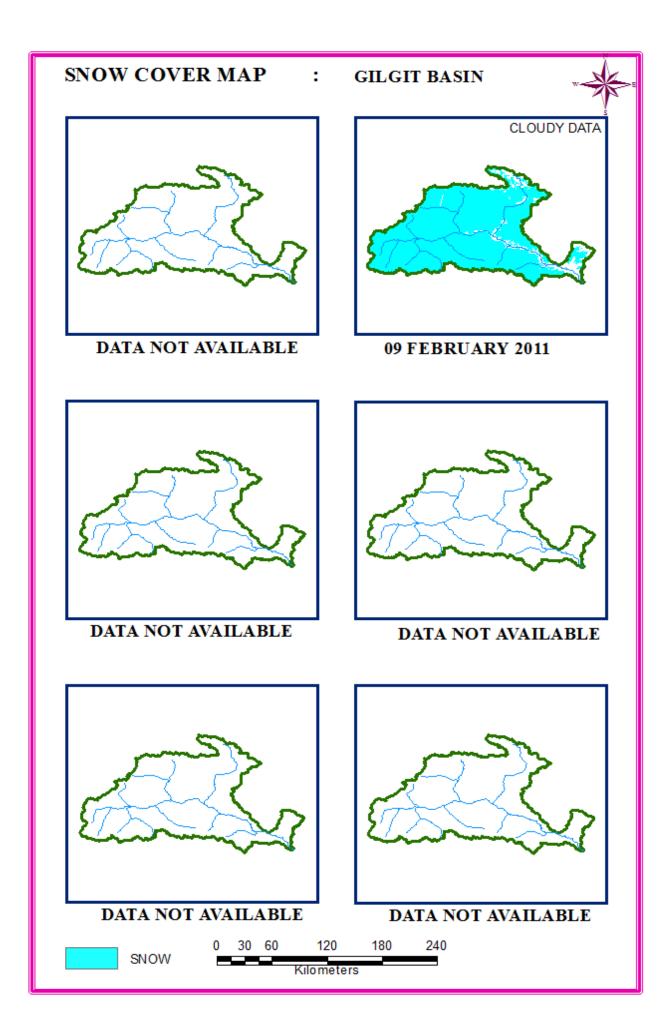




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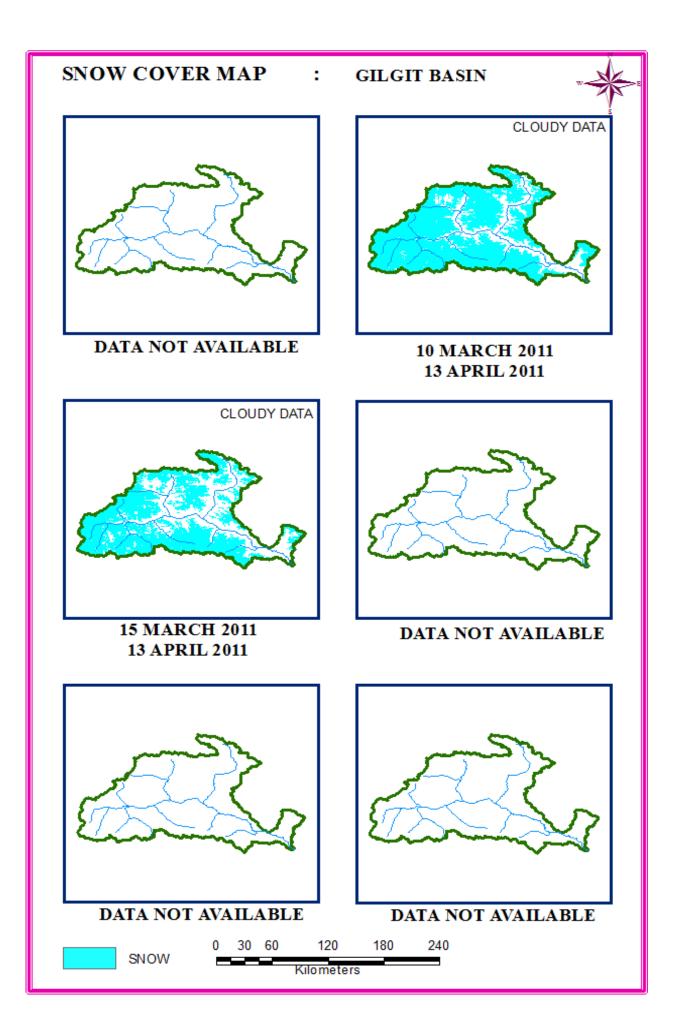
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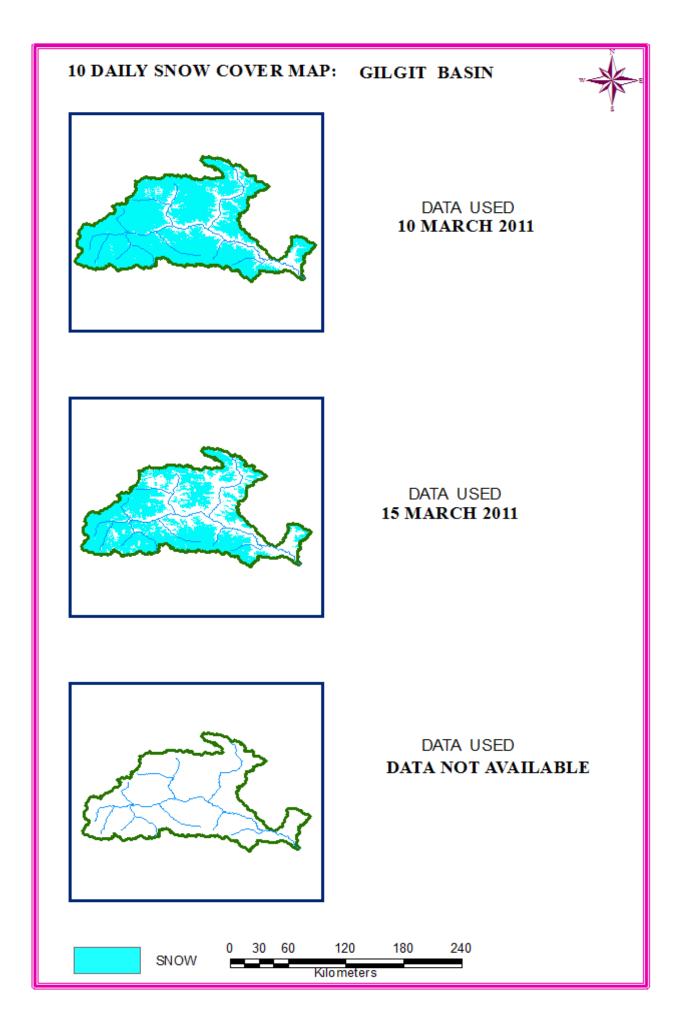
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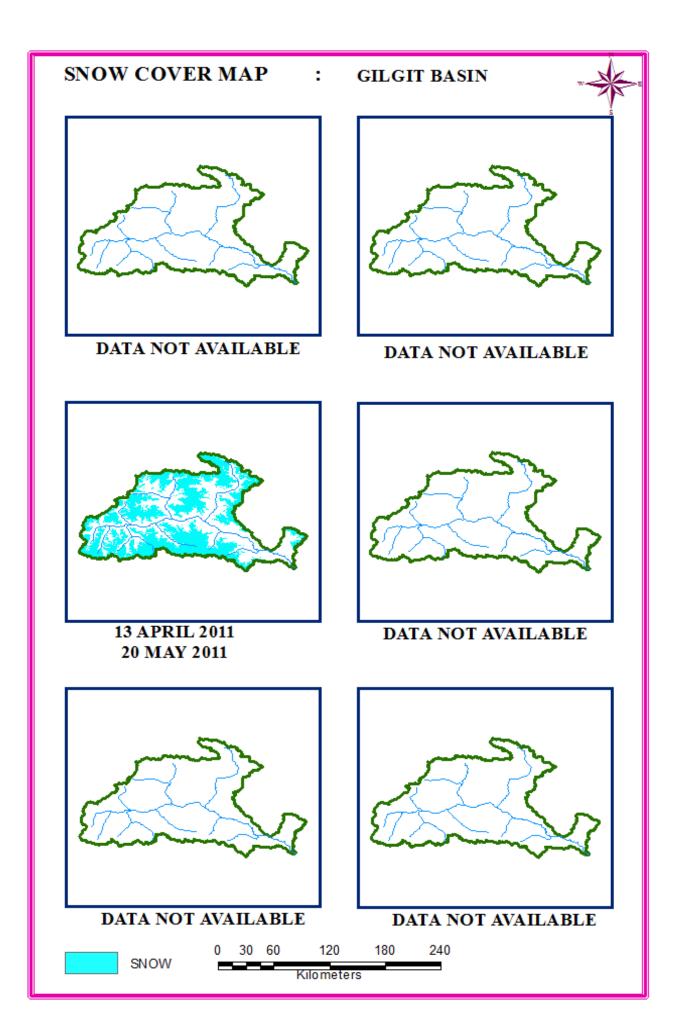


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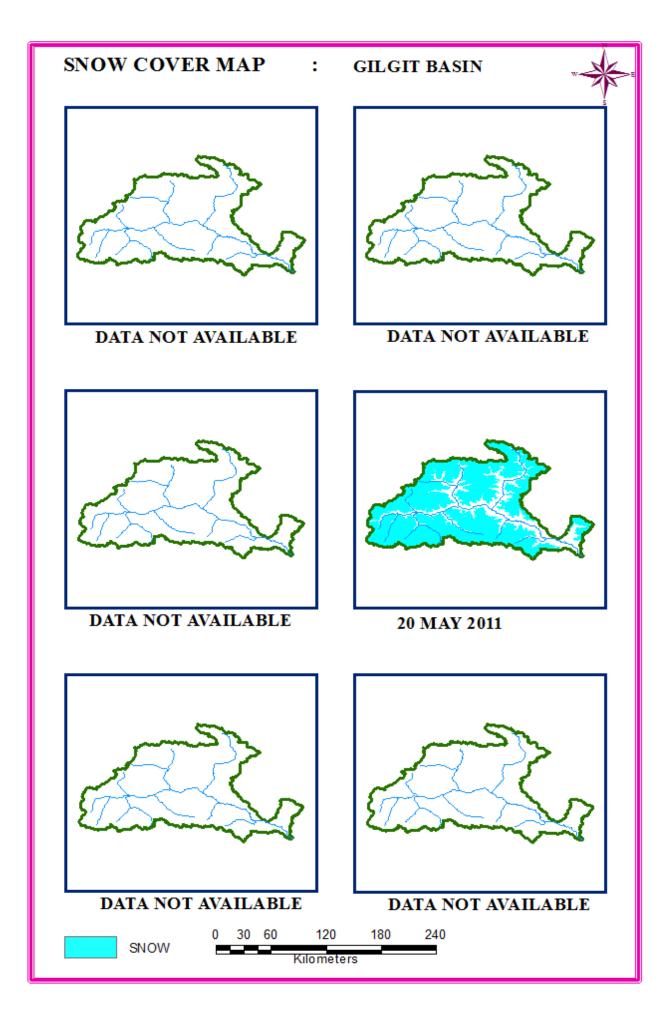
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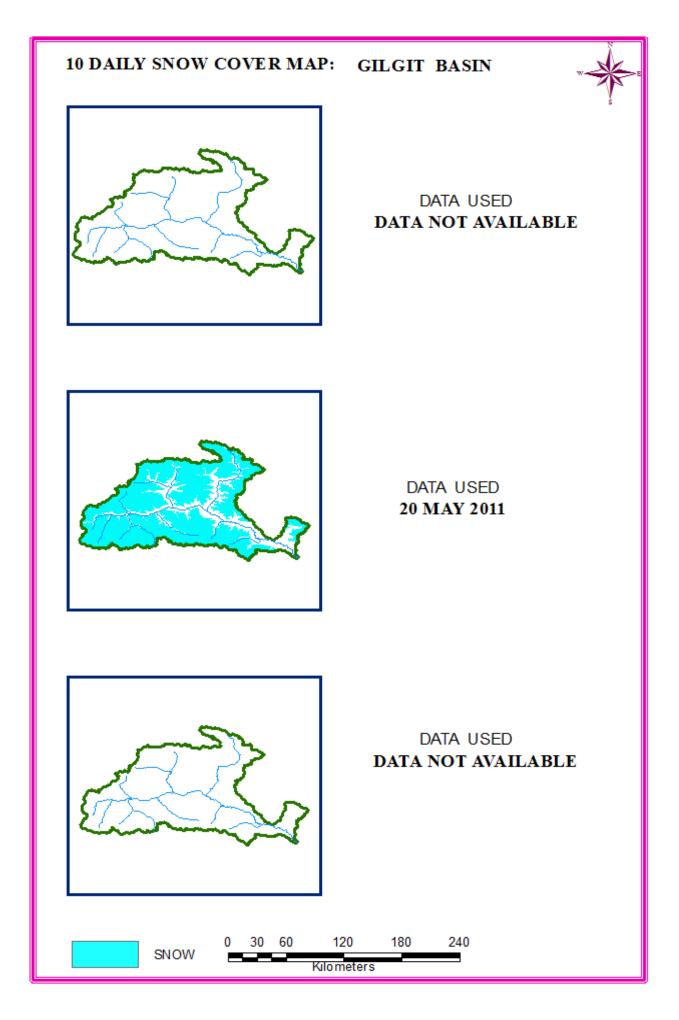


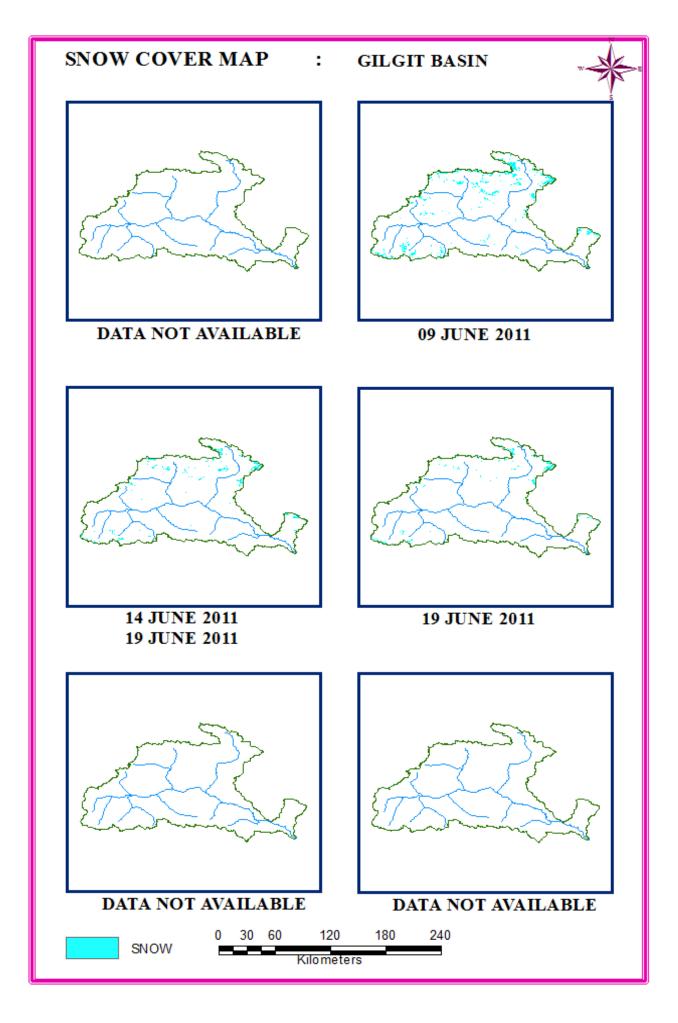


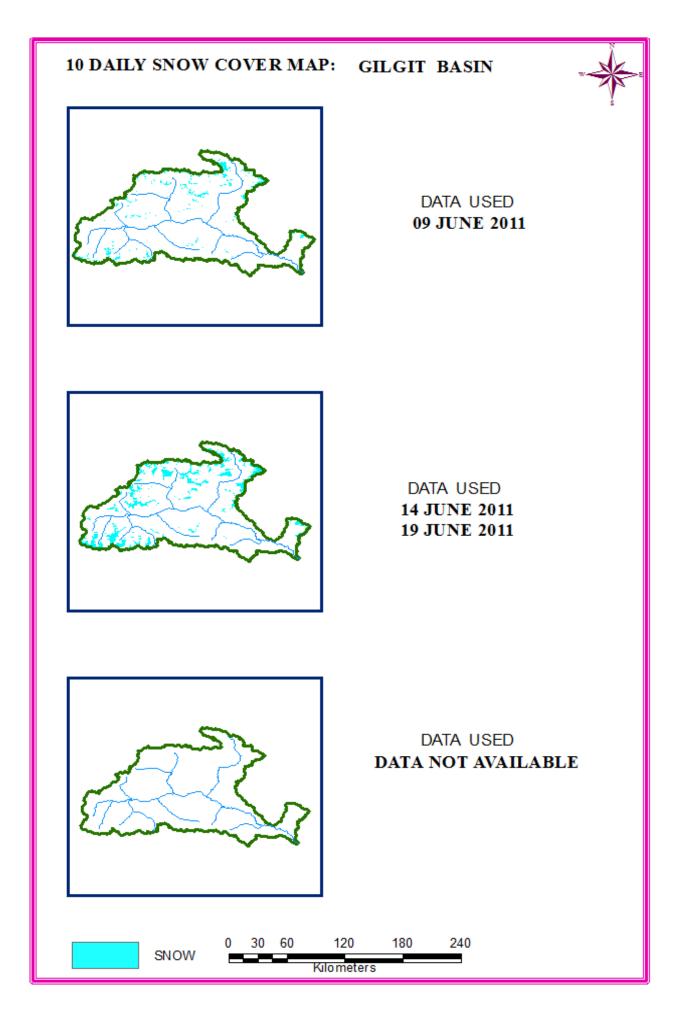


# 10 DAILY SNOW COVER MAP: GILGIT BASIN DATA USED DATA NOT AVAILABLE DATA USED 13 APRIL 2011 DATA USED DATA NOT AVAILABLE 180 120 240 SNOW Kilometers









### SHASGAN BASIN

#### AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

BASIN NAME: SHASGAN BASIN AREA: 7613 sq km

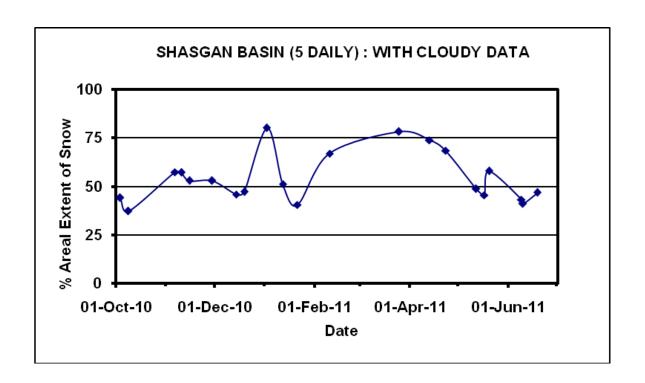
S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)		
October 2010									
1	3-Oct-10	3353.27	44	2	8-Oct-10	2831.86	37		
	November 2010								
3	6-Nov-10	4365.01	57	5	15-Nov-10	4026.54	53		
4	10-Nov-10	4350.82	57	6	29-Nov-10	4026.70	53		
December 2010									
7	14-Dec-10	3480.03	46	8	19-Dec-10	3593.29	47		
			Janua	ry 2011					
9	2-Jan-11	6100.55	80	10	12-Jan-11	3886.70	51		
11	21-Jan-11	3074.92	40						
			Februa	ary 2011					
12	10-Feb-11	5092.80	67						
			Marc	h 2011					
13	25-Mar-11	5950.01	78						
	T		Apri	2011					
14	13-Apr-11	5617.90	74	15	23-Apr-11	5198.69	68		
	T		Мау	2011	T		Γ		
16	12-May-11	3709.20	49	17	17-May-11	3460.55	45		
18	20-May-11	4405.90	58						
	June 2011								
19	9-Jun-11	3286.97	43	20	10-Jun-11	3117.53	41		
21	19-Jun-11	3552.91	47						

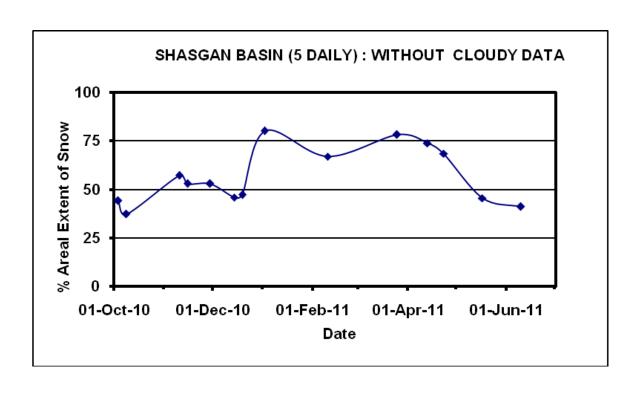
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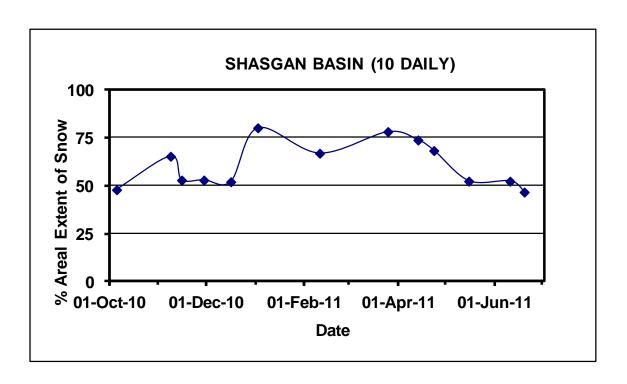
BASIN AREA: 7613 sq km

BASIN NAME: SHASGAN

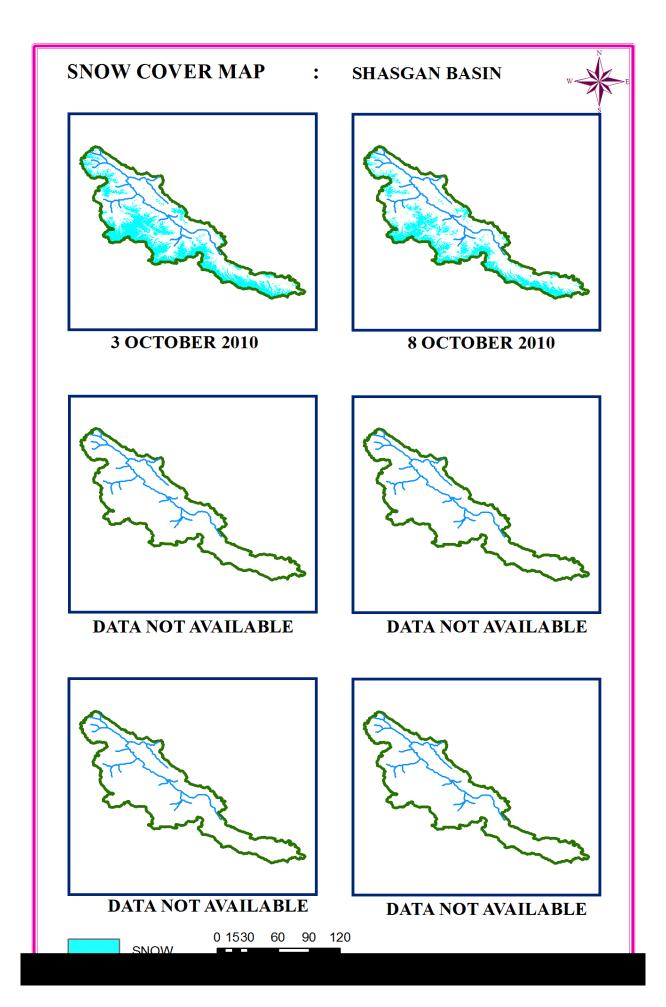
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1	5-Oct-10	3645.35	48	2	8-Nov-10	4971.72	65	
				3	15-Nov-10	4026.54	53	
				4	29-Nov-10	4026.70	53	
	Dece	mber 2010		January 2011				
5	16-Dec-10	3961.27	52	6	2-Jan-11	6100.55	80	
				7	12-Jan-11	3886.70	51	
				8	21-Jan-11	3074.92	40	
	Febr	uary 2011		March 2011				
9	10-Feb-11	5092.80	67	10	25-Mar-11	5950.01	78	
	Ap	oril 2011		May 2011				
11	13-Apr-11	5617.90	74	13	15-May-11	3985.80	52	
12	23-Apr-11	5198.69	68		<u>I</u>			
	Ju	ne 2011	<u> </u>					
14	10-Jun-11	3982.58	52					
15	19-Jun-11	3552.91	47					





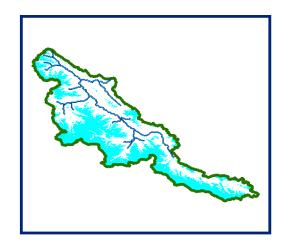


### SNOW COVER MAP



### 10 DAILY SNOW COVER MAP: SHASGAN BASIN





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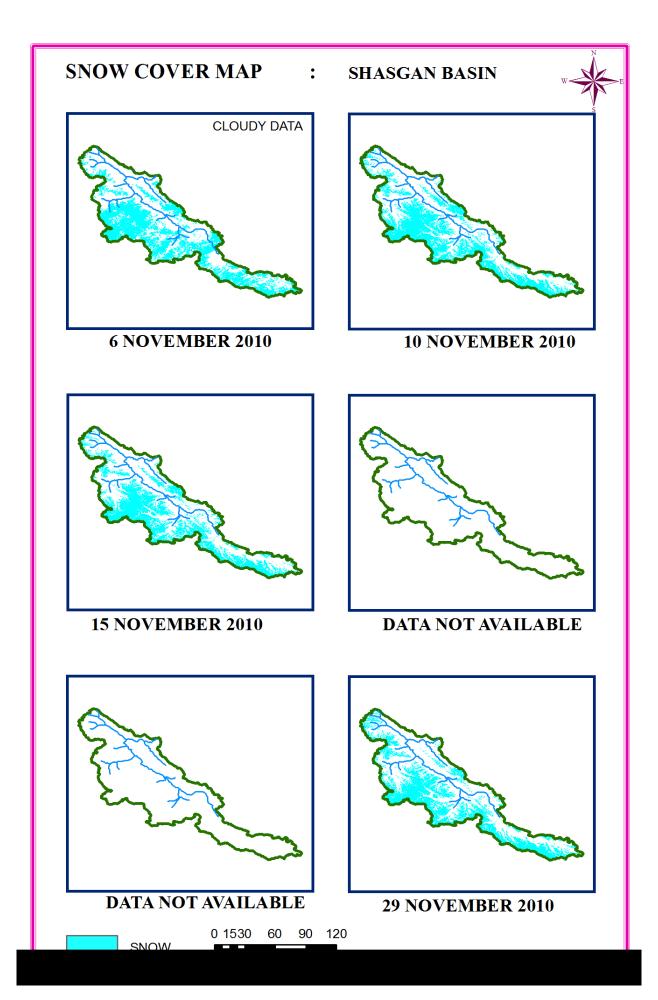
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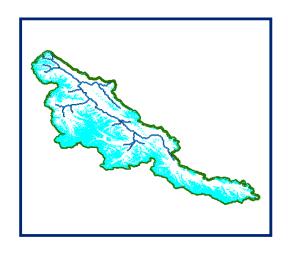




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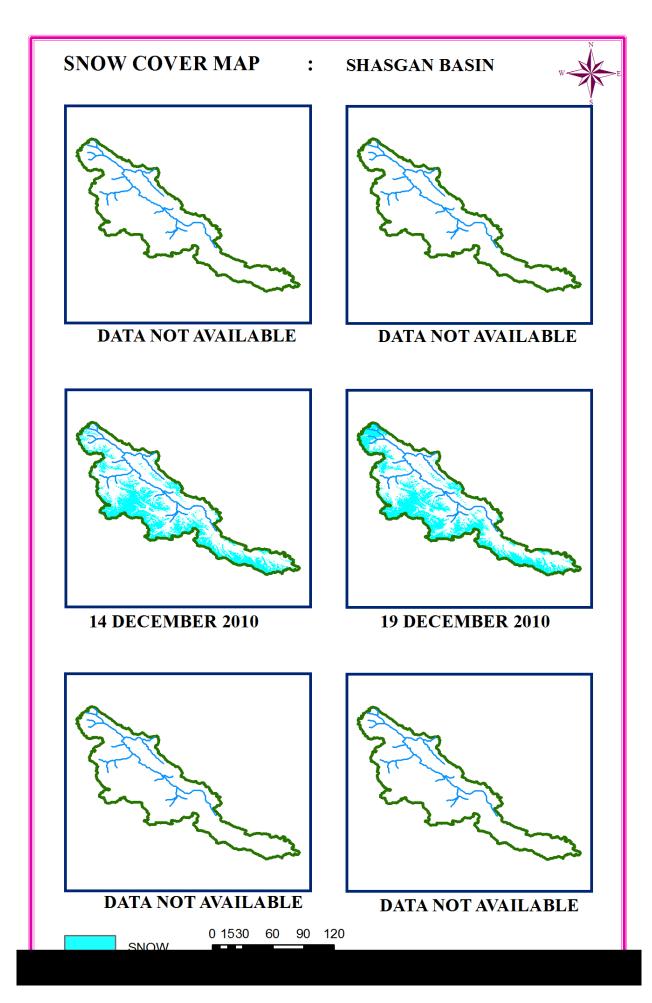


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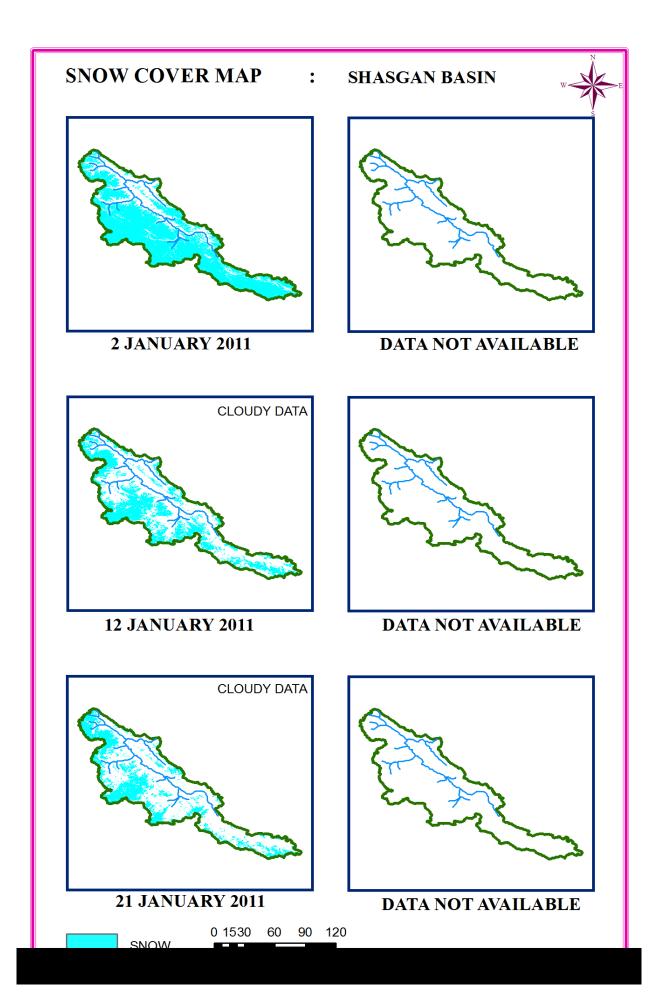


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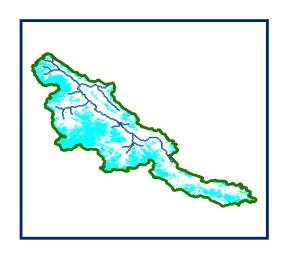


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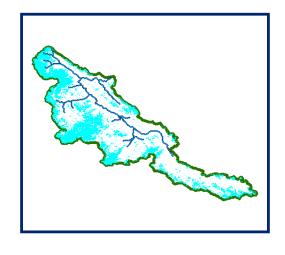




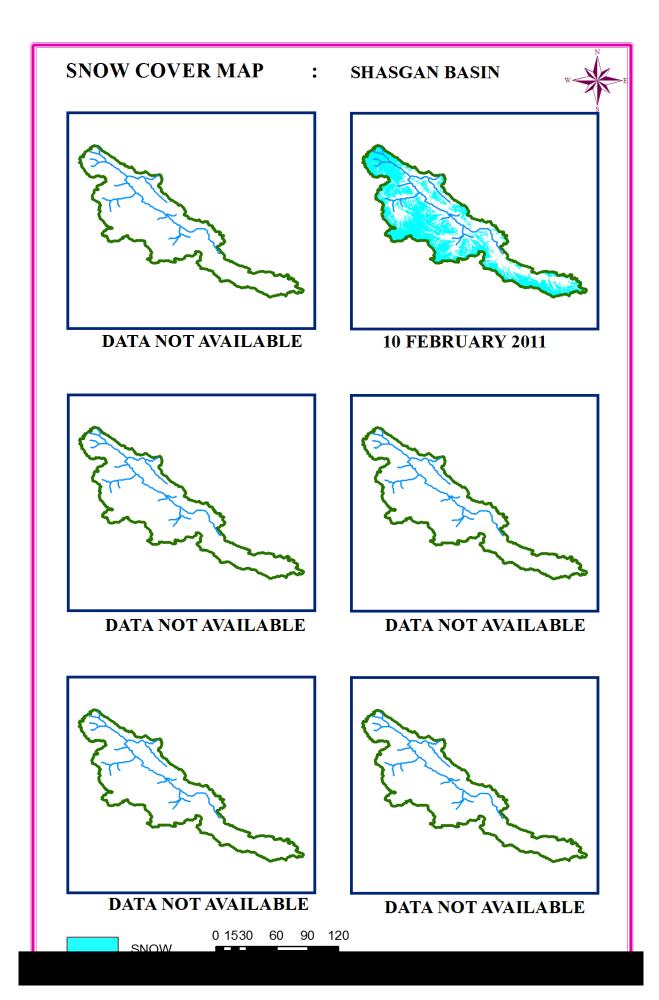
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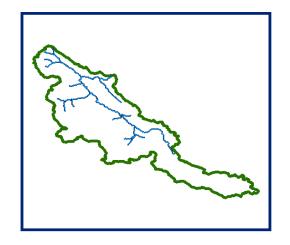


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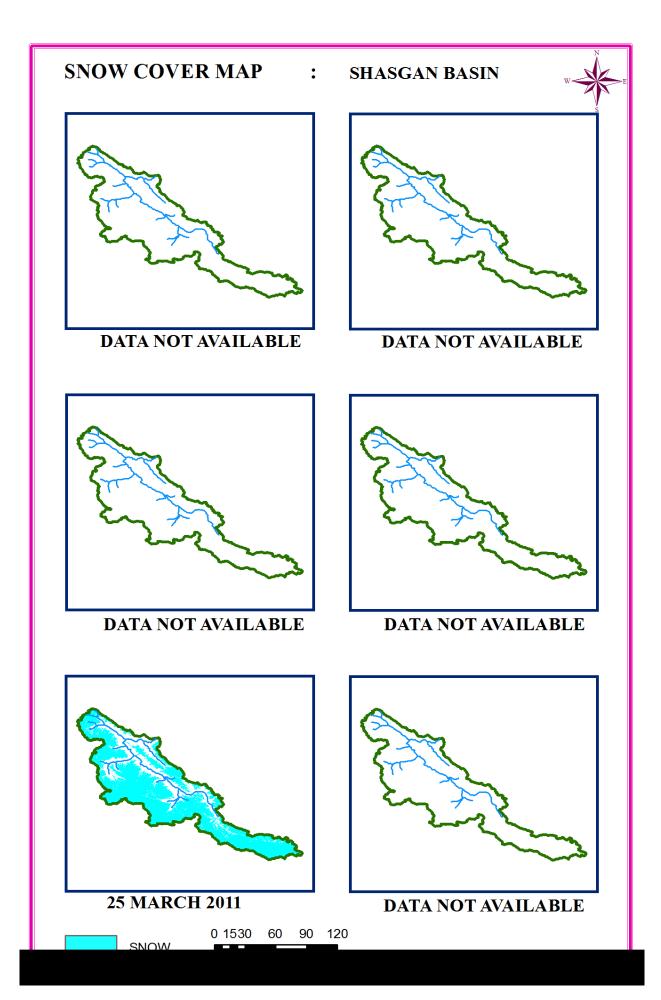
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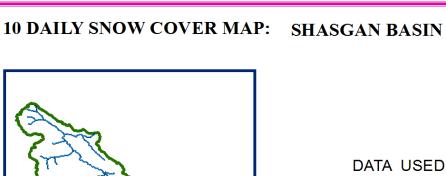


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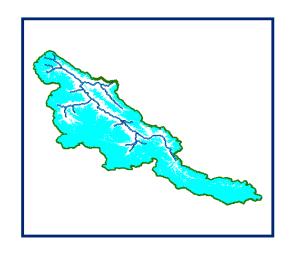


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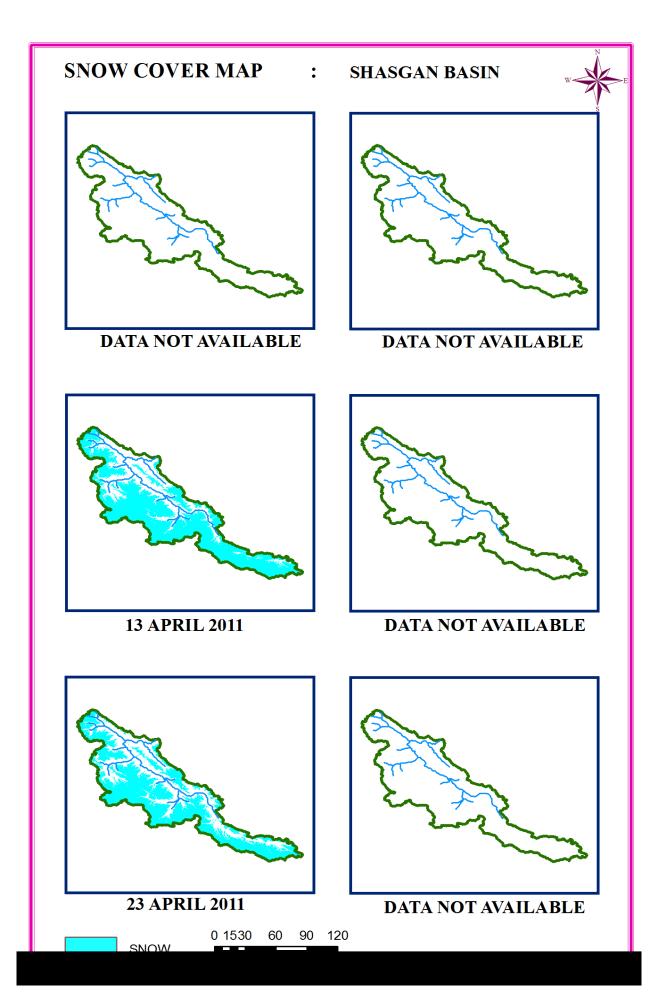


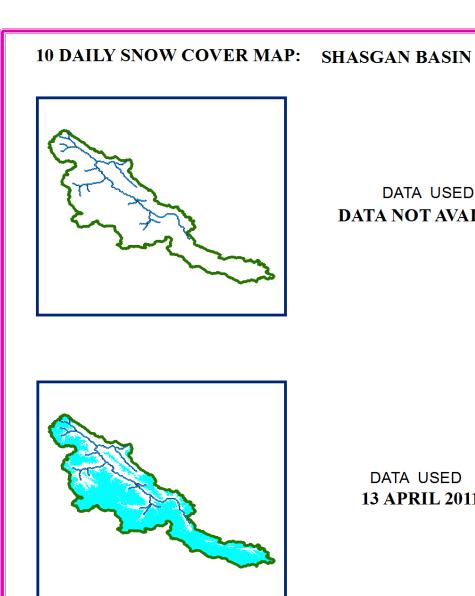
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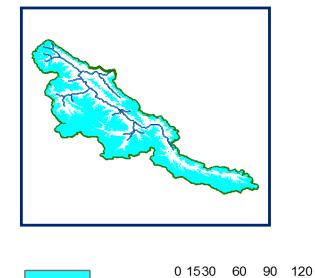




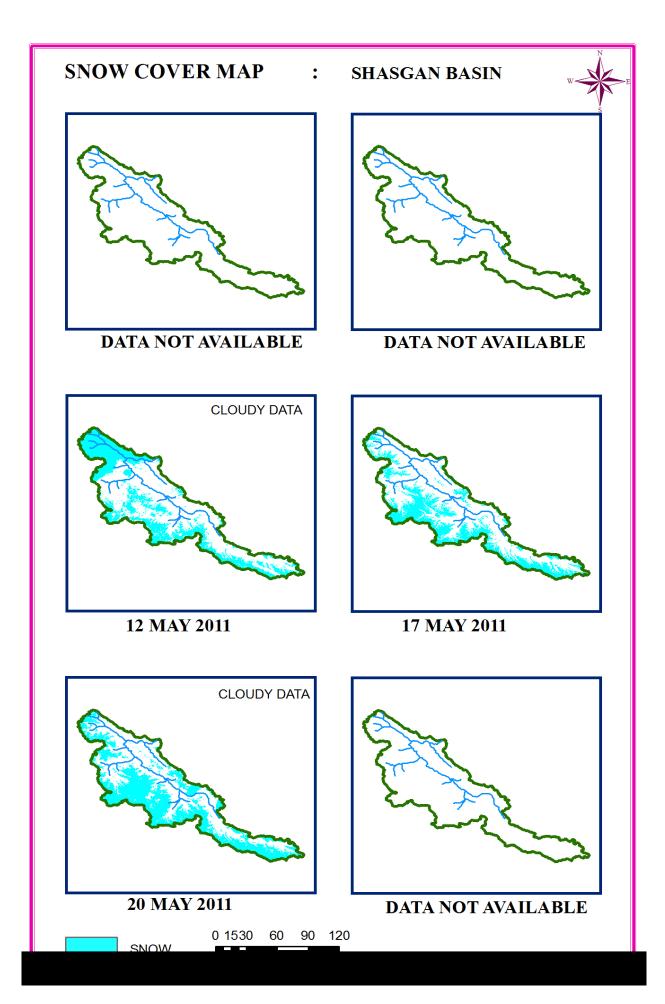


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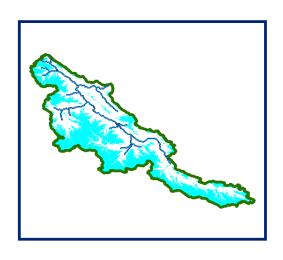








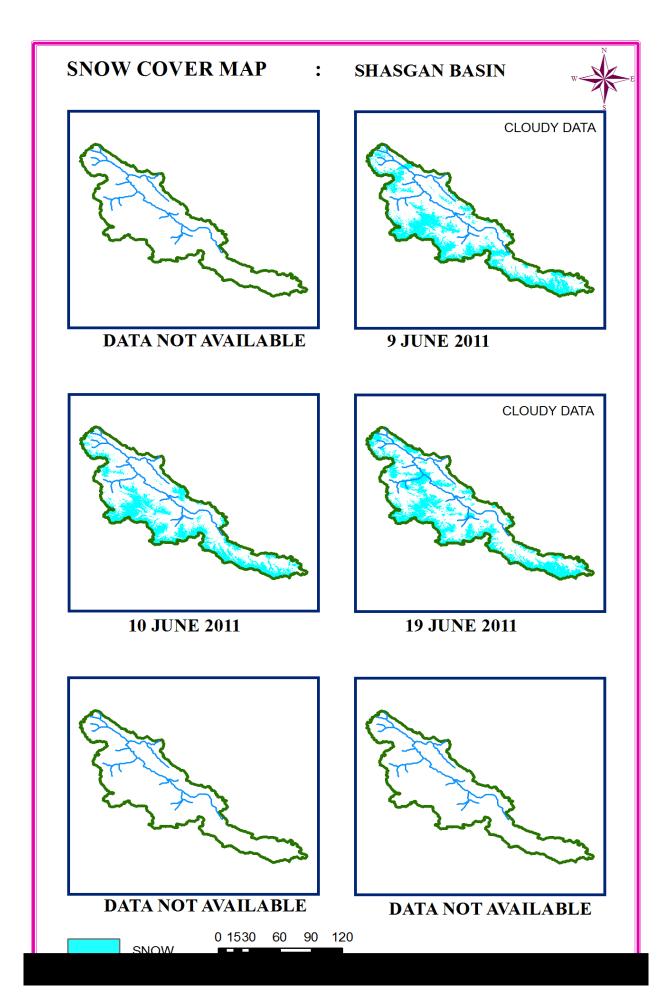
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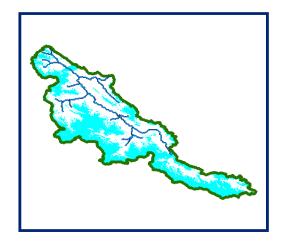


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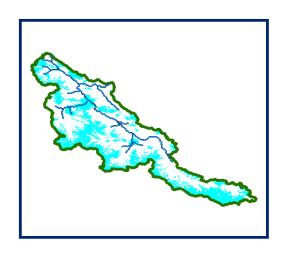


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