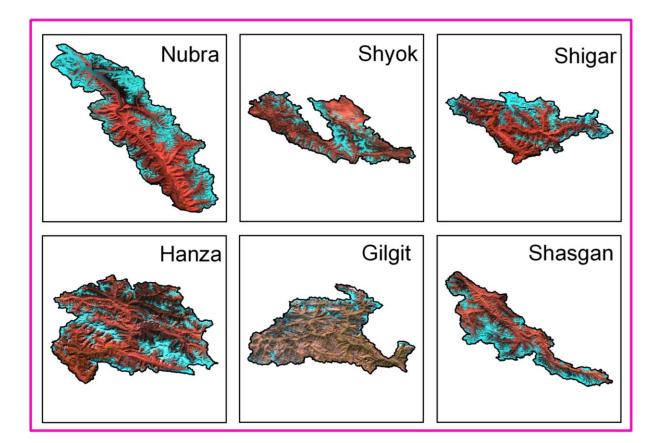
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#### 1. Introduction

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 2015 to June 2016 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:

$$Normalized DifferenceSnowIndex(NDSI) = (band2 - band5)/(band2 + band5)$$
 ...(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 2015 to June 2016. Snow ablation pattern varies from basin to basin, depending on area altitude distribution in the basins. Many of these sub-basins like Nubra, 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 accumulation starts during mid of October and ablation starts from April onwards. In Shasgan and Shyok sub-basins accumulation and ablation were observed through the year.

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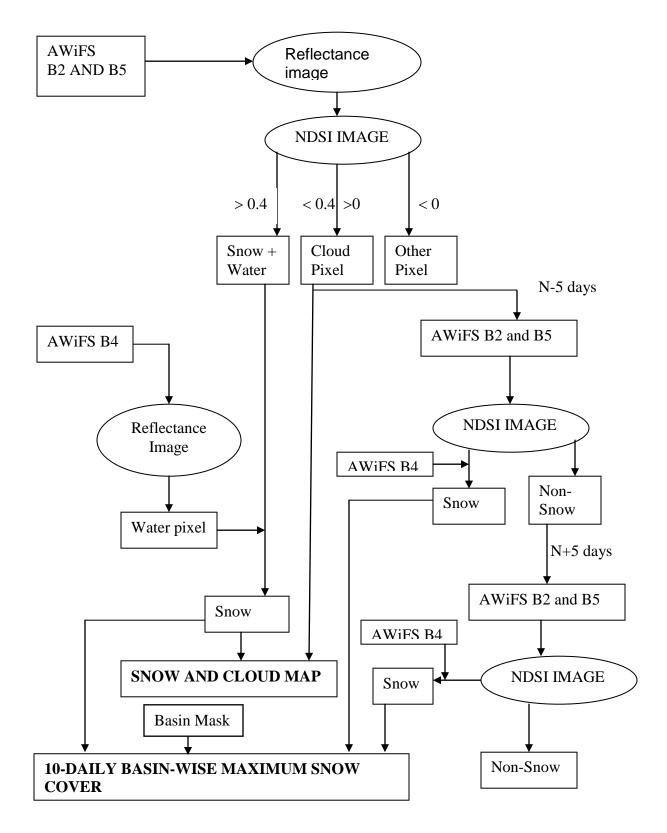
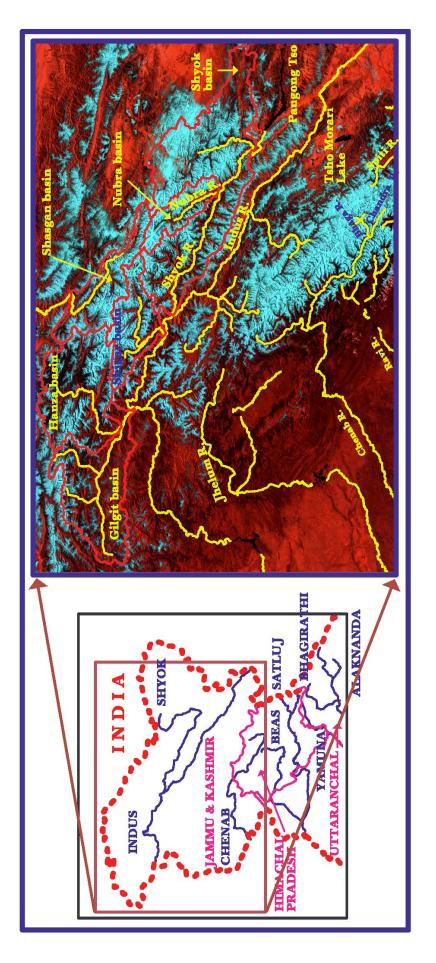


Figure 2: Algorithm for snow cover mapping using AWiFS data





# NUBRA SUB-BASIN

# AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

## **BASIN NAME: NUBRA**

# BASIN AREA: 4258 sq km

S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover	
October 2015								
1	01-Oct-15	3100	73	4	15-Oct-15	2290	54	
2	03-Oct-15	2999	70	5	28-Oct-15	3414	80	
3	04-Oct-15	2941	69					
November 2015								
5	01-Nov-15	2941	69	7	08-Nov-15	2882	68	
6	06-Nov-15	3403	80	8	15-Nov-15	3426	80	
			Decemb	er 2015			•	
9	03-Dec-15	3317	78	10	05-Dec-15	2901	68	
January 2016								
11	02-Jan-16	3483	82	13	19-Jan-16	3077	72	
12	03-Jan-16	3857	91		27-Jan-16	4062	95	
	03-Jan-16	3730	88					
			Februa	ry 2016				
14	01-Feb-16	3684	87	17	10-Feb-16	3819	90	
15	05-Feb-16	1994	47	18	12-Feb-16	3171	74	
			March	n 2016			-	
20	05-Mar-16	3325	78	22	07-Mar-16	3109	73	
			April	2016				
24	07-Apr-16	3882	91	26	24-Apr-16	3475	82	
25	13-Apr-16	3303	78		27-Apr-16	3655	86	
			May	2016				
27	02-May-16	3367	79	28	19-May-16	2038	48	
	06-May-16	3321	78		31-May-16	2741	64	
	07-May-16	3303	78					
			June	2016				
29	04-Jun-16	2739	64	33	19-Jun-16	1326	31	
30	09-Jun-16	2566	60	34	23-Jun-16	1887	44	
31	14-Jun-16	2652	62	35	24-Jun-16	1892	44	
32	18-Jun-16	1411	33					

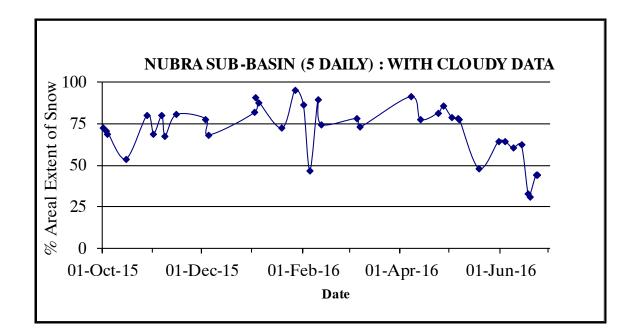
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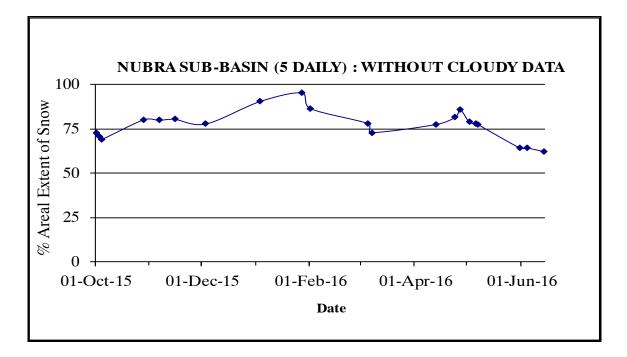
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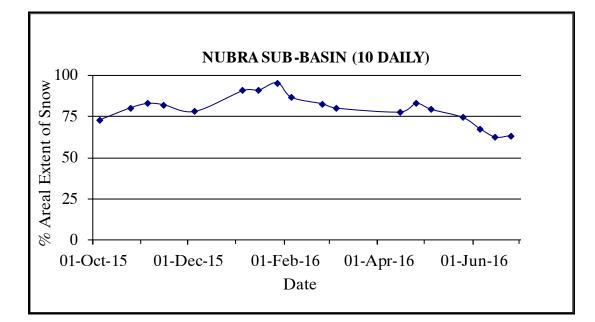
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2	25-Oct-15	3415	80		15-Nov-15	3491	82	
	Decer	mber 2015		January 2016				
4	05-Dec-15	3317	78	5	05-Jan-16	3857	91	
				6	15-Jan-16	3869	91	
				7	25-Jan-16	4062	91	
	Febr	uary 2016		March 2016				
8	05-Feb-16	3684	87	11	05-Mar-16	3402	80	
9	25-Feb-16	3513	83					
April 2016				May 2016				
13	15-Apr-16	3302	78	15	05-May-16	3368	79	
14	25-Apr-16	3527	83	16	25-May-16	3163	74	
June 2016								
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	25-Jun-2016	2695	63					

### SNOW COVER DEPLETION CURVE

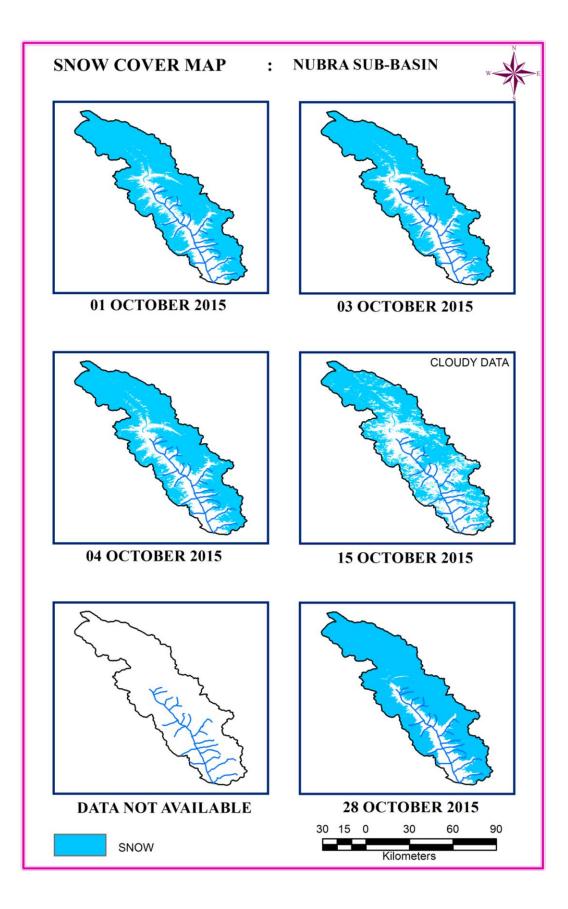


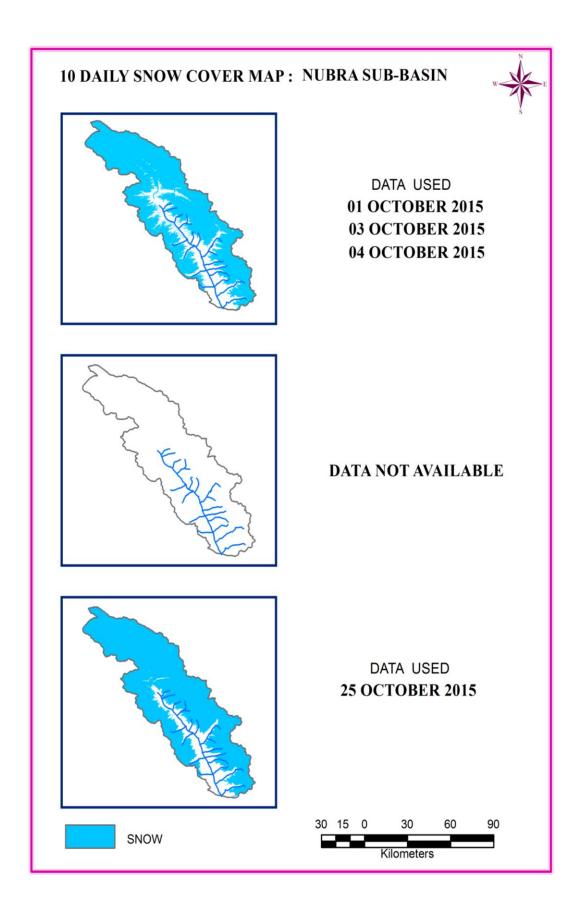


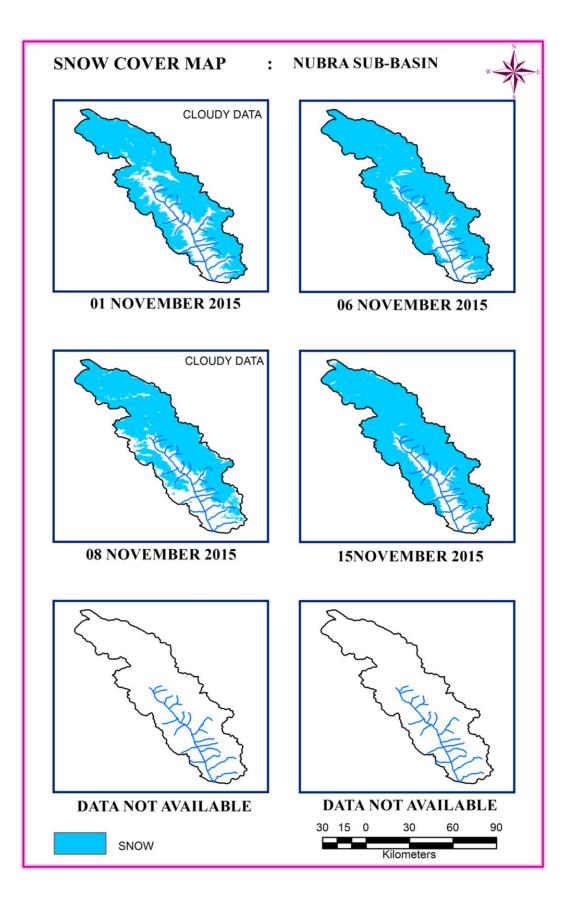
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# SNOW COVER MAP







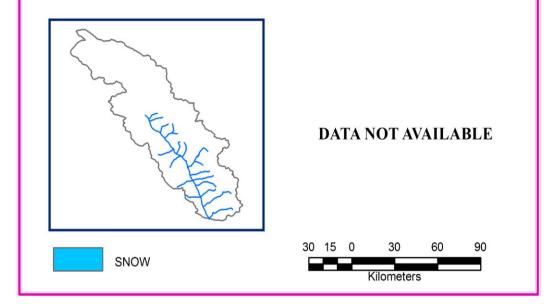


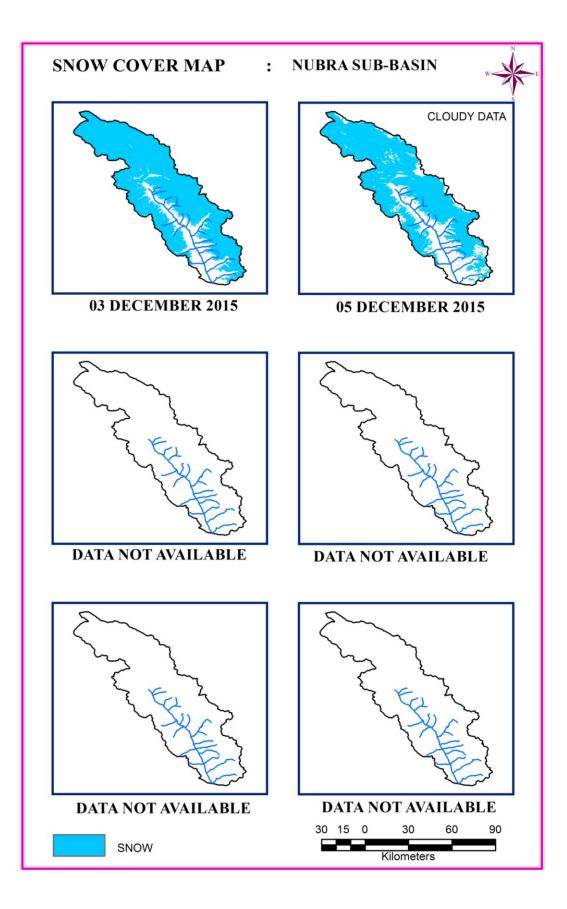


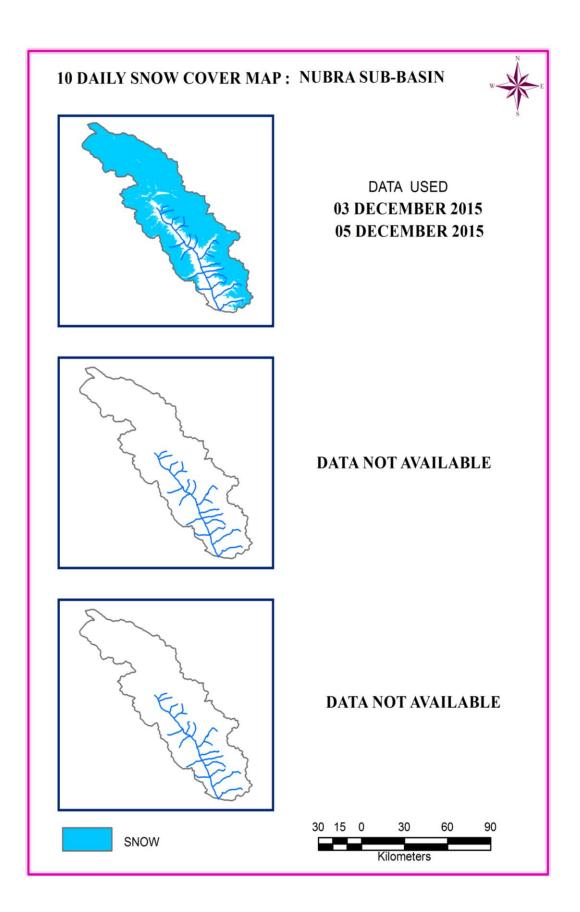
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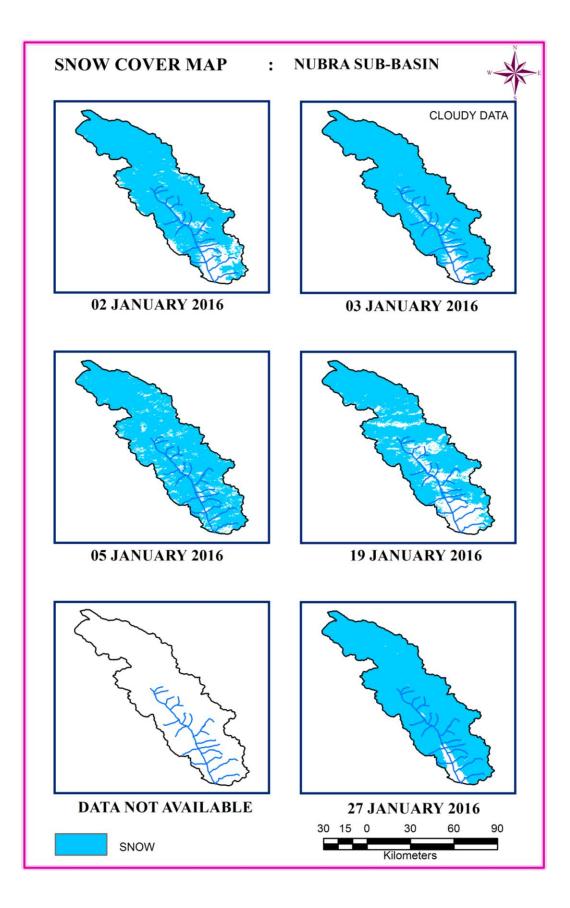


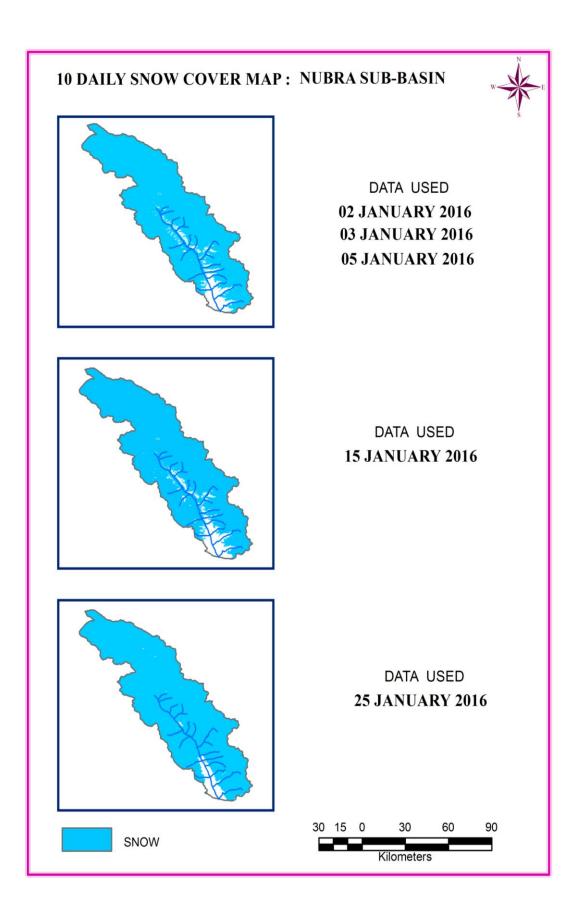
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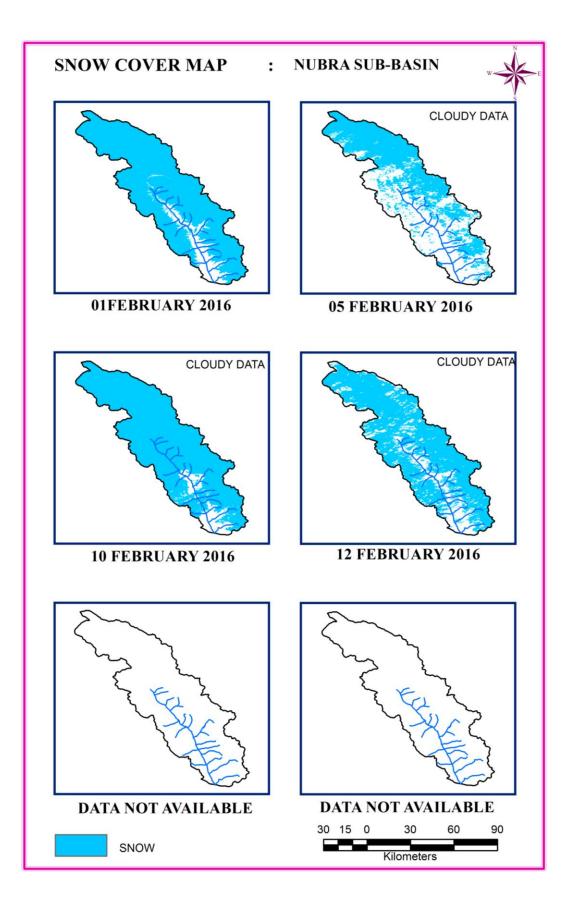


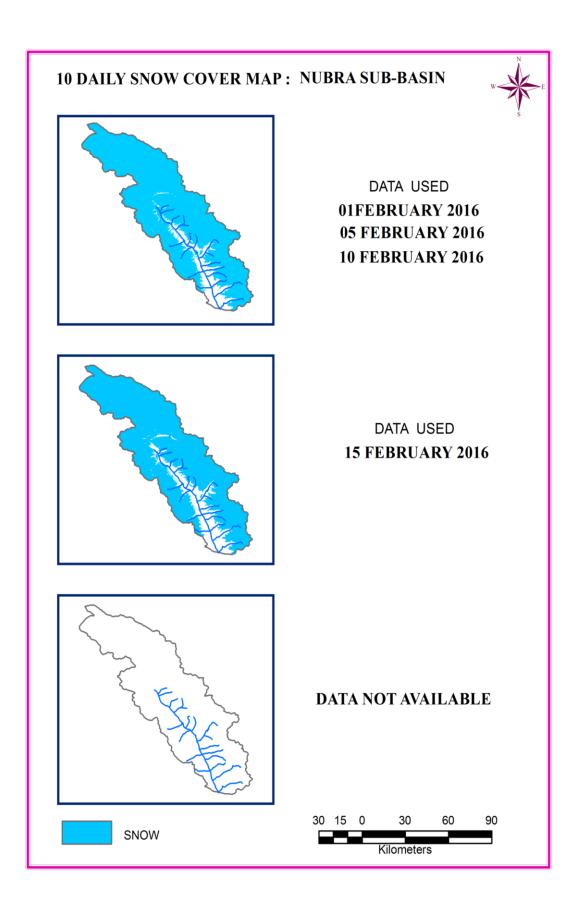


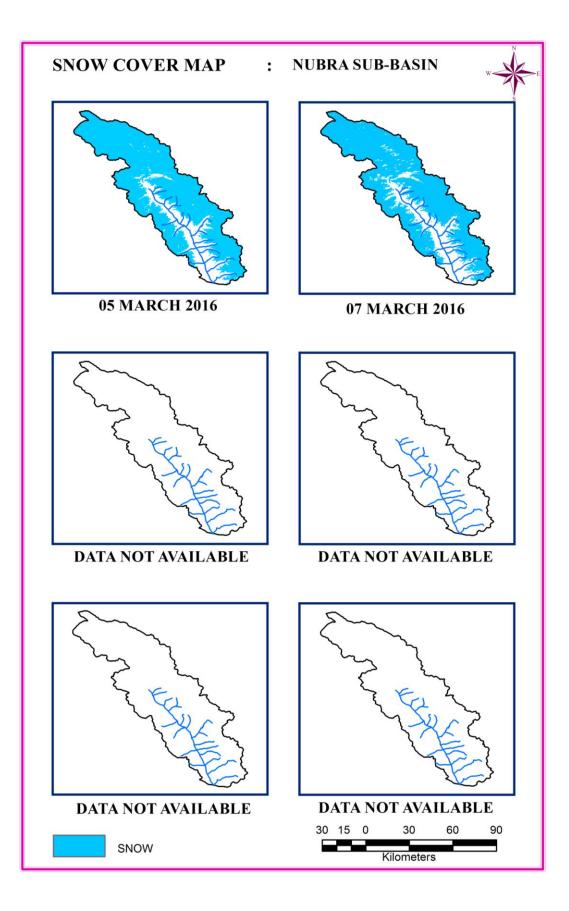


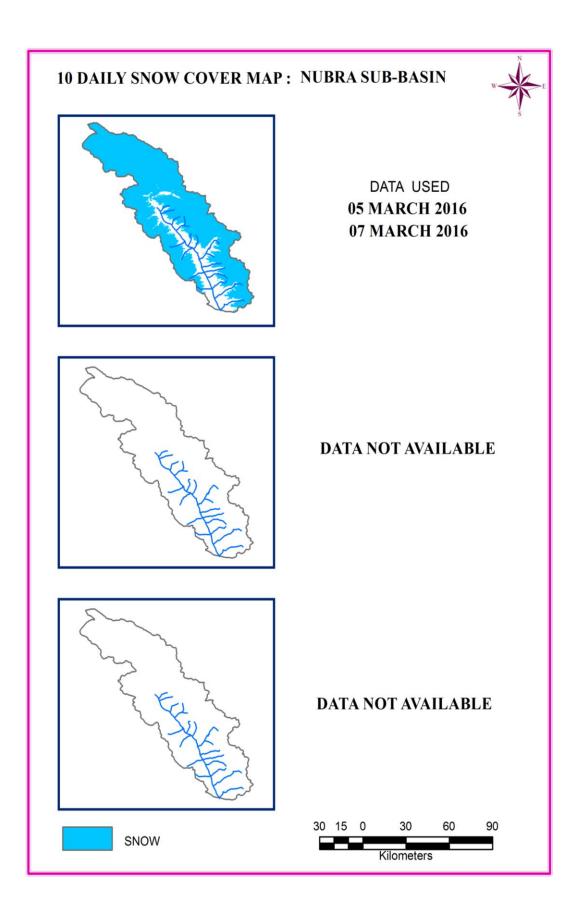


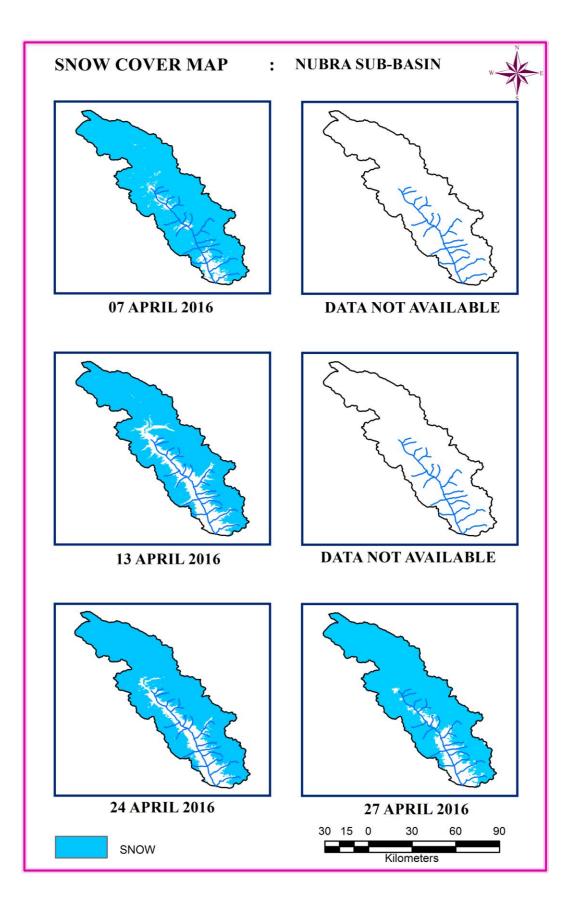


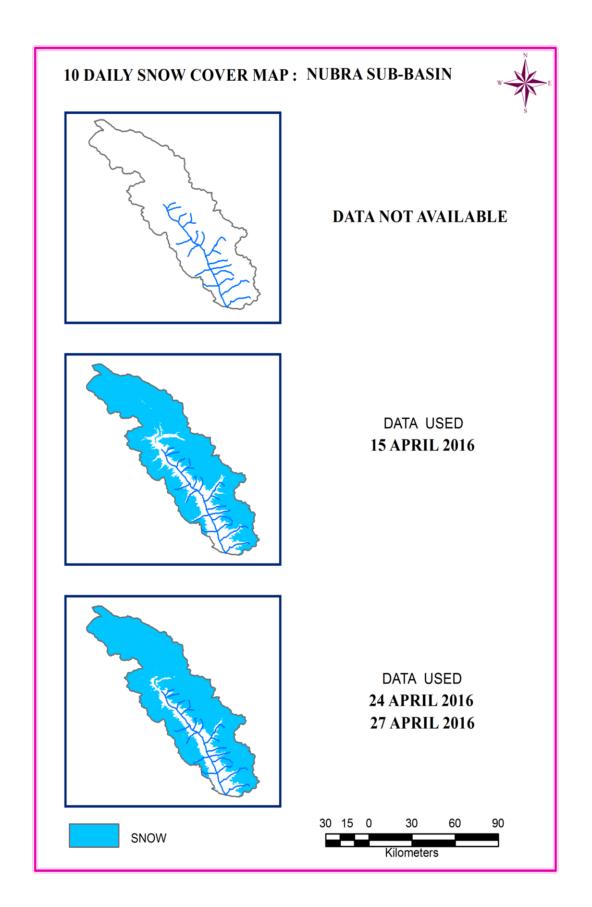


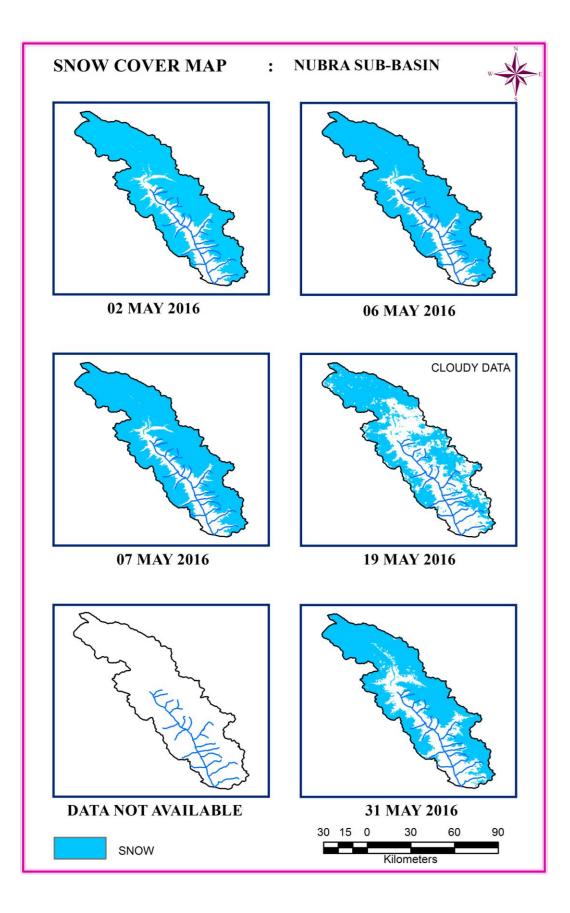


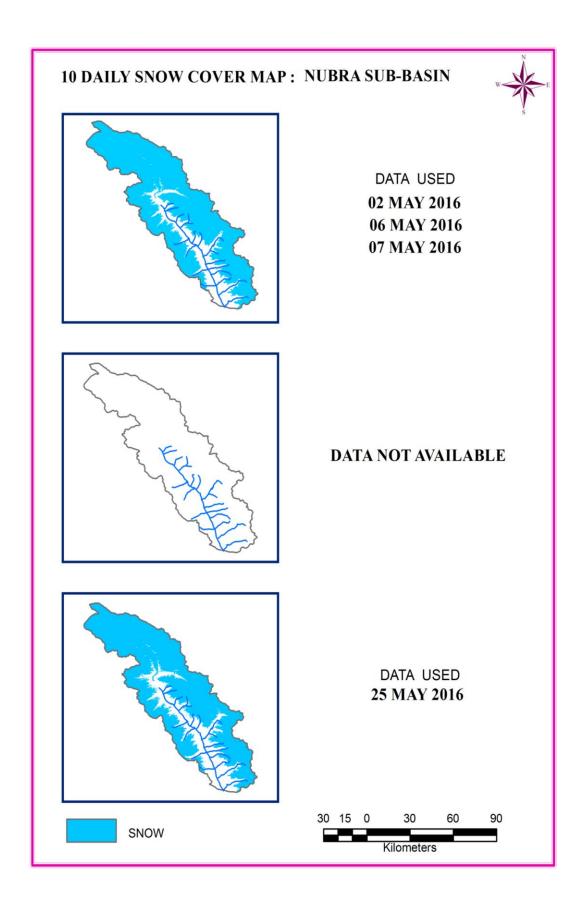


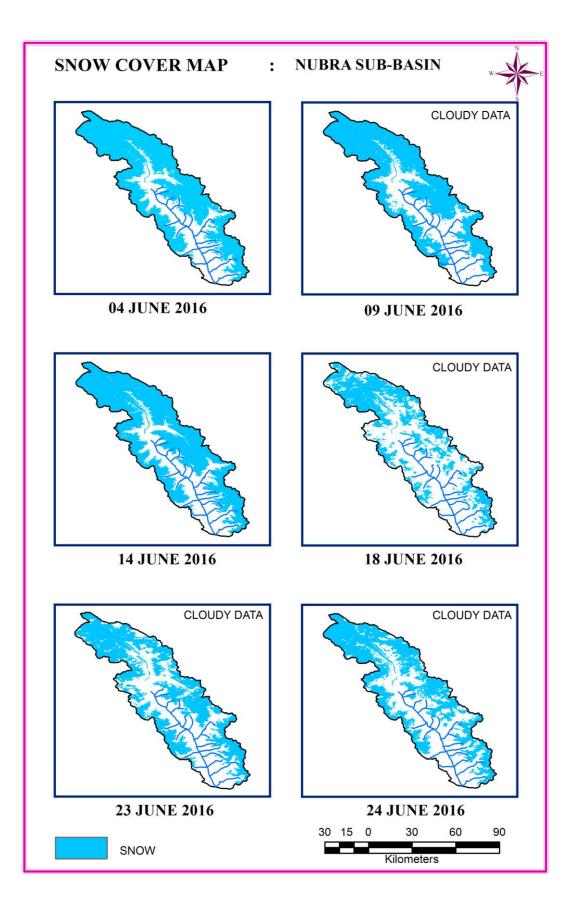


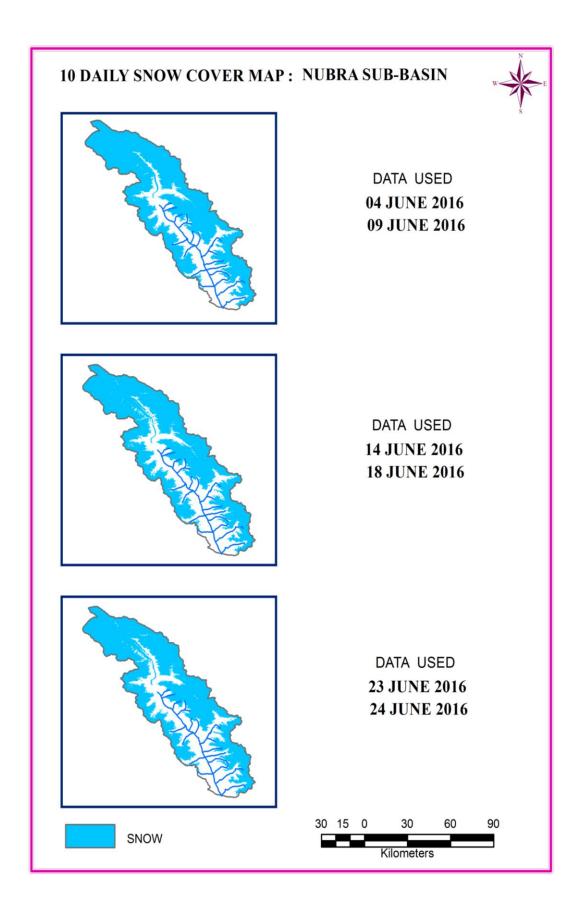












# SHYOK SUB-BASIN

# AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

#### **BASIN NAME: SHYOK**

# BASIN AREA: 27120sq km

S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)
		-	Octobe	er 2015			
1	01-Oct-15	14524	54	3	05-Oct-15	12810	47
2	03-Oct-15	13653	50	4	15-Oct-15	15879	59
			Novemb	er 2015			
5	01-Nov-15	12756	47	6	06-Nov-15	16949	62
			Decemb	er 2015			
7	05-Dec-15	15366	57				
	1		Januar	y 2016			
8	03-Jan-16	19790	73	10	27-Jan-16	23004	85
9	05-Jan-16	20343	75				
			Februa	ry 2016			
11	01-Feb-16	19873	73	13	10-Feb-16	18680	69
12	05-Feb-16	12542	46	14	17-Feb-16	18124	67
	1	1	March	n 2016	1	1	
15	05-Mar-16	16196	60				
	r	•	April	2016	•	•	
16	27-Apr-16	18256	67				
			May	2016			
17	02-May-16	16485	61	19	19-May-16	8639	32
18	06-May-16	14970	55		31-May-16	10611	39
			June	2016			
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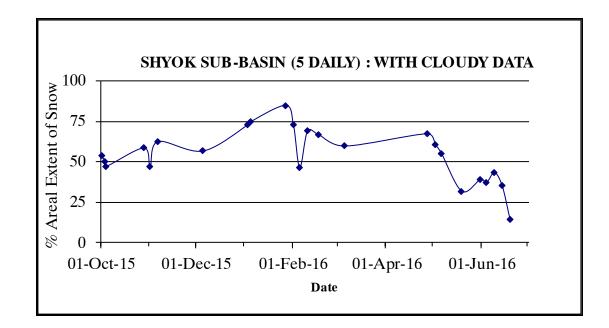
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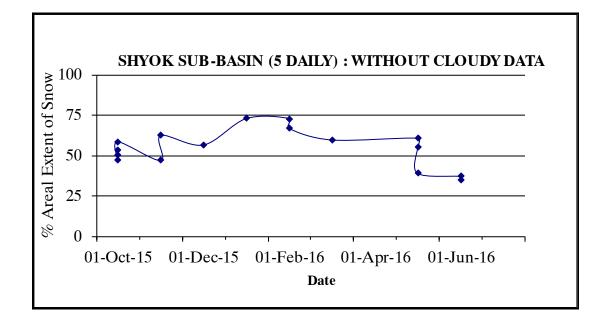
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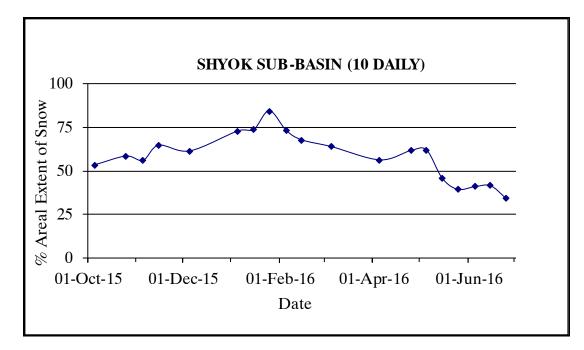
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2	25-Oct-15	15870	59	4	15-Nov-15	17556	65	
December 2015				January 2016				
5	05-Dec-15	16679	62	6	05-Jan-16	19788	73	
				7	15-Jan-16	19972	74	
				8	25-Jan-16	22907	84	
February 2016				March 2016				
9	05-Feb-16	19825	73	11	05-Mar-16	17331	64	
10	15-Feb-16	18374	68					
April 2016				May 2016				
12	05-Apr-16	15282	56	14	05-May-16	16799	62	
13	25-Apr-16	16737	62	15	25-May-16	12443	46	
June 2016								
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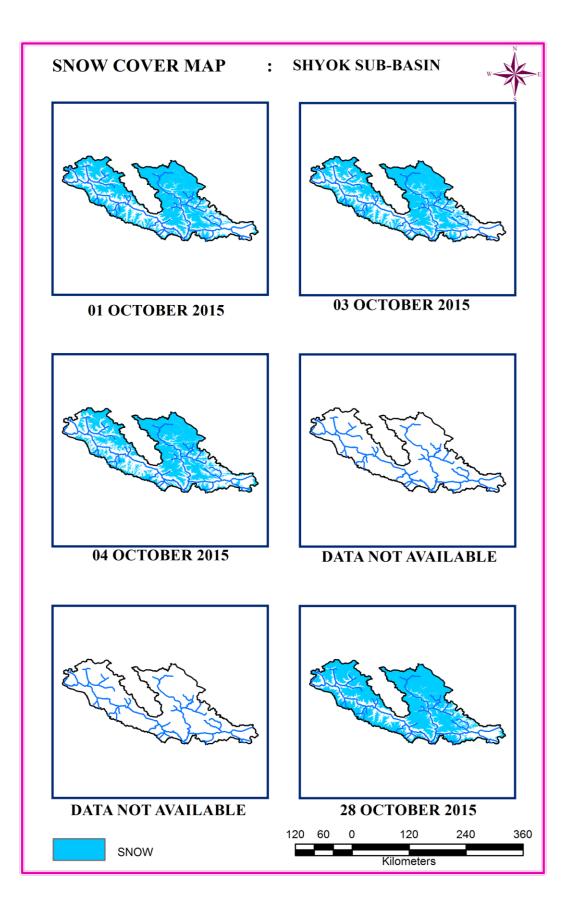


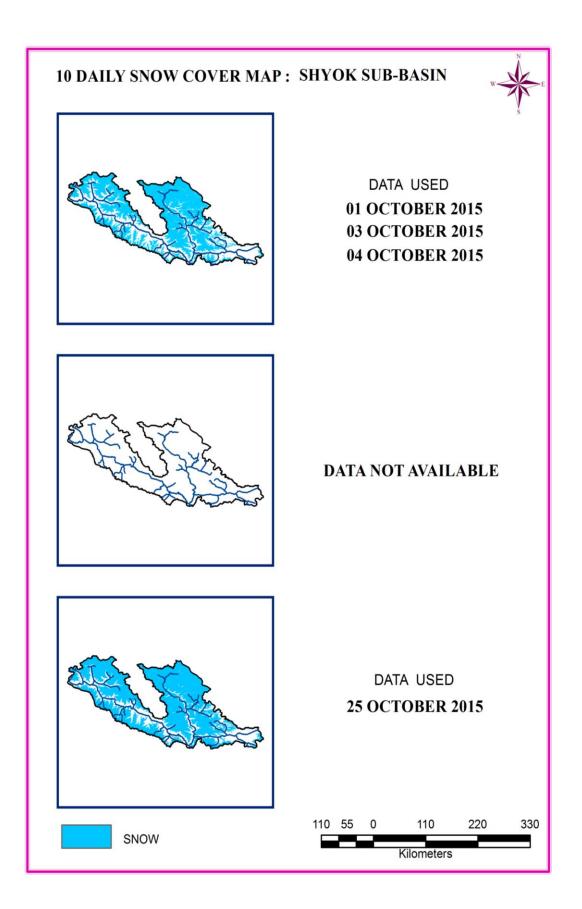


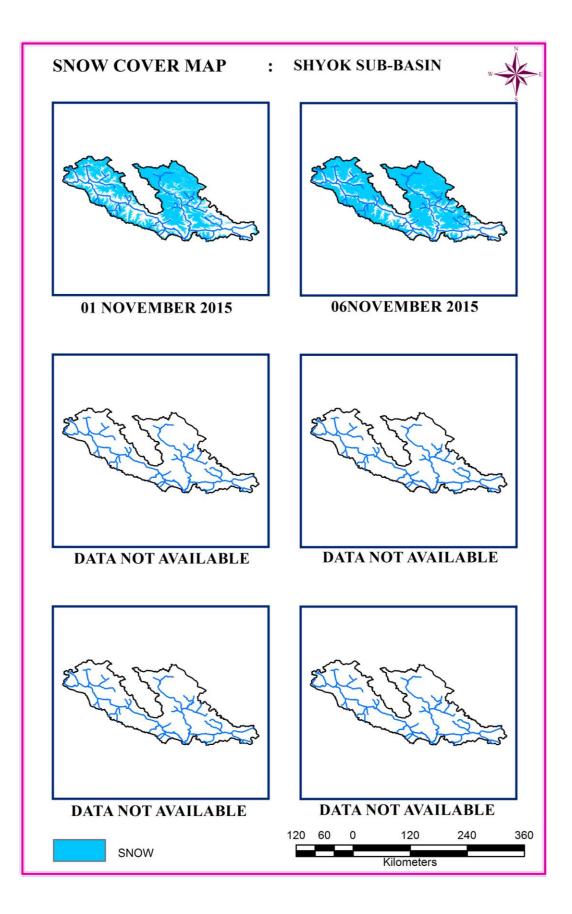


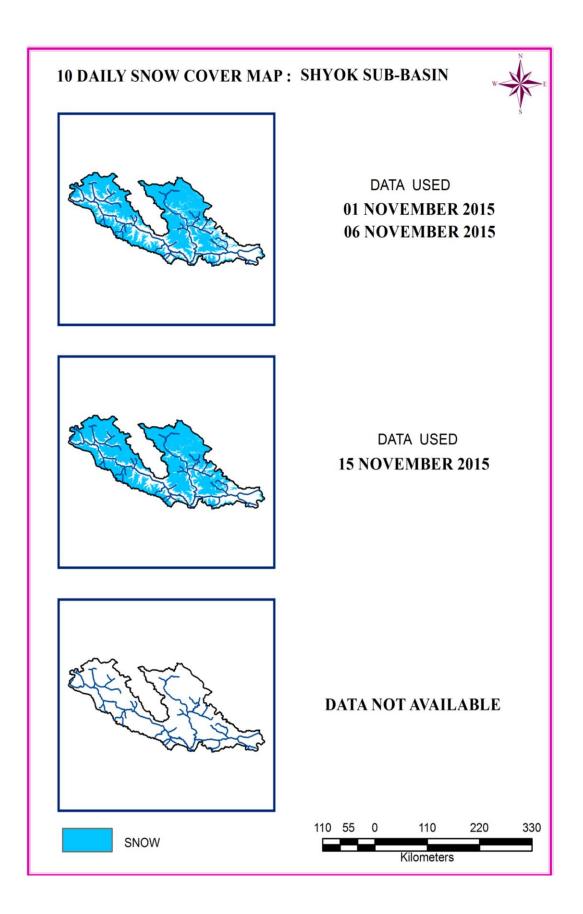


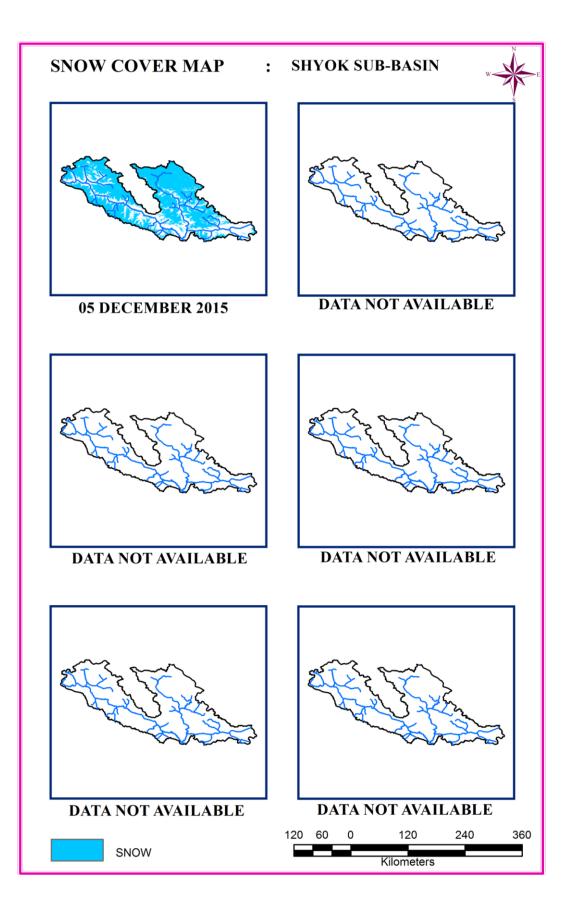
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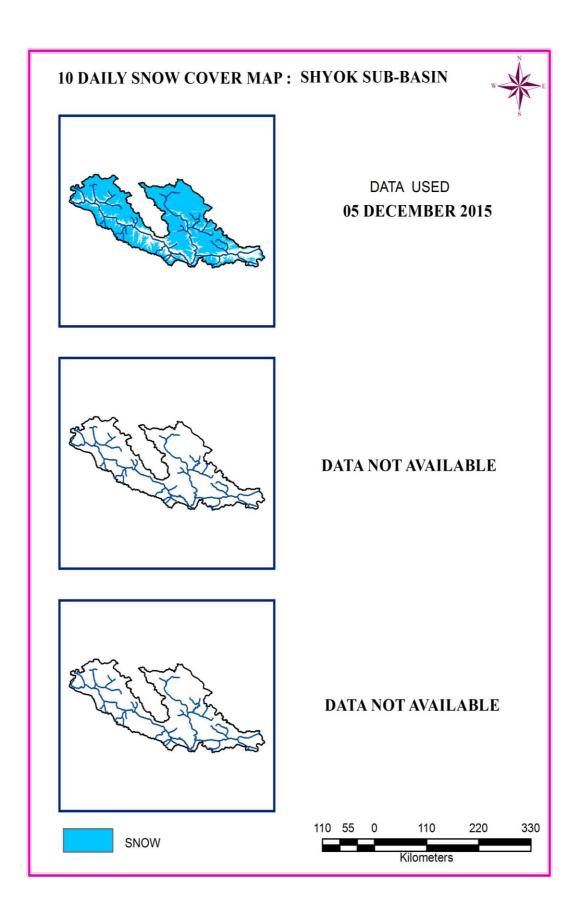


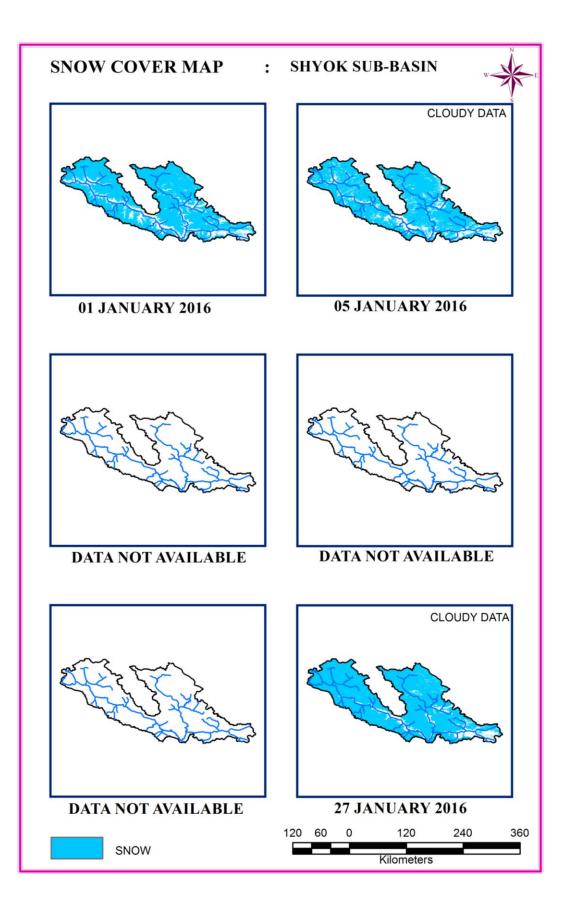


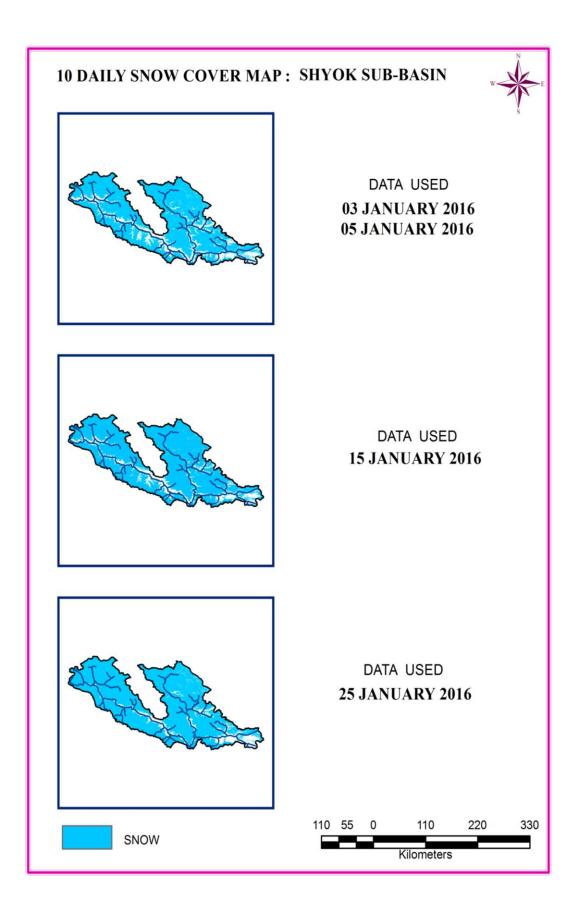


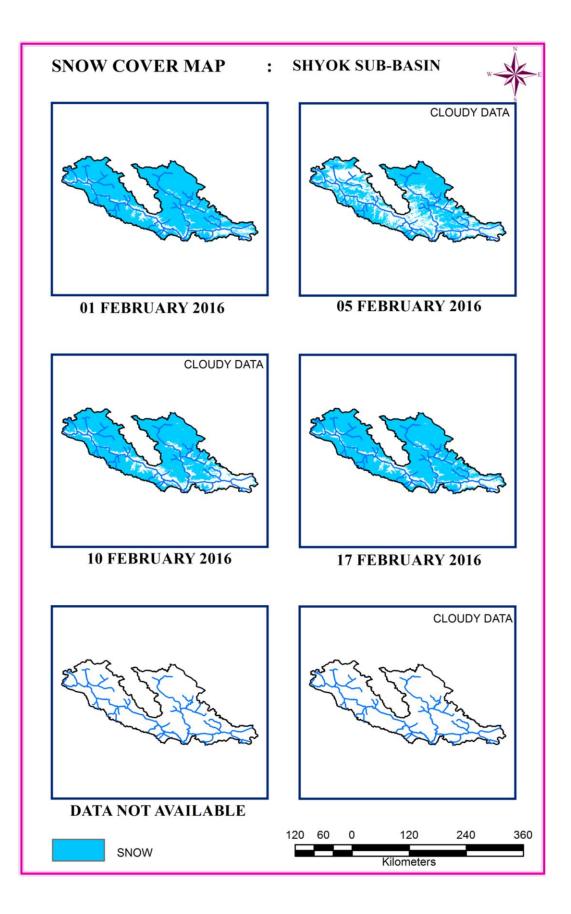


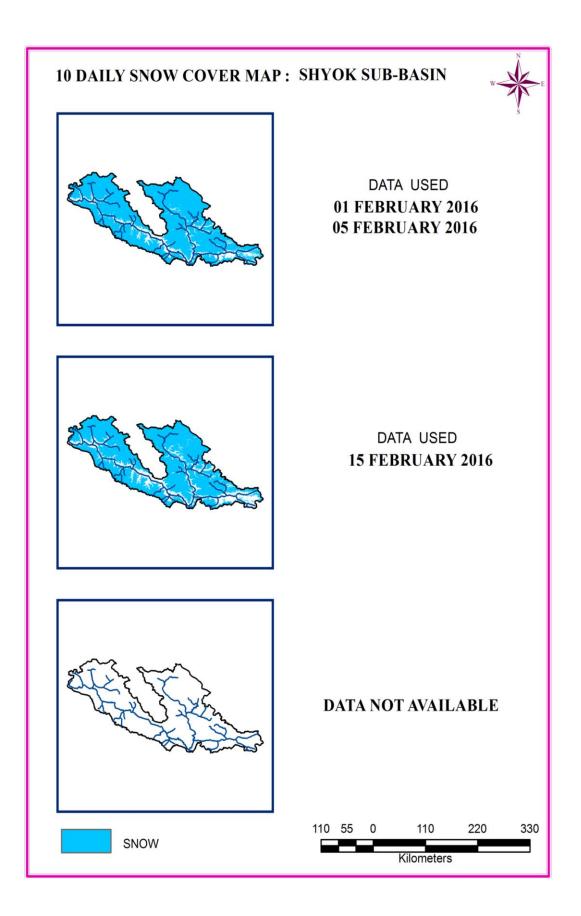


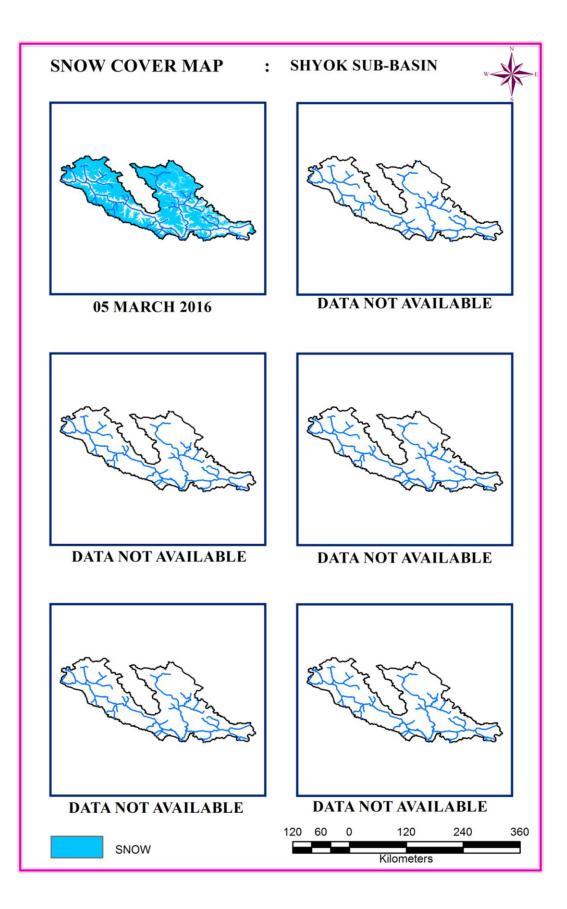


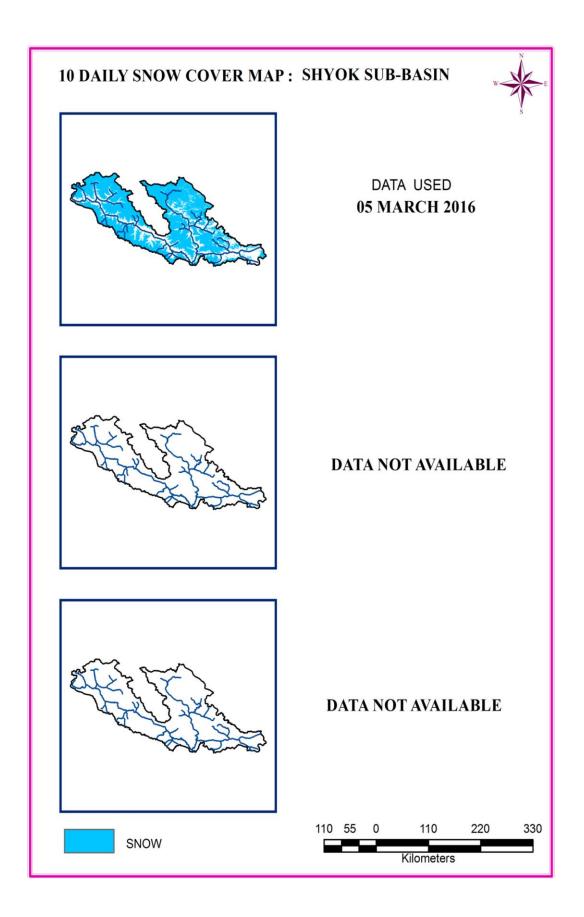


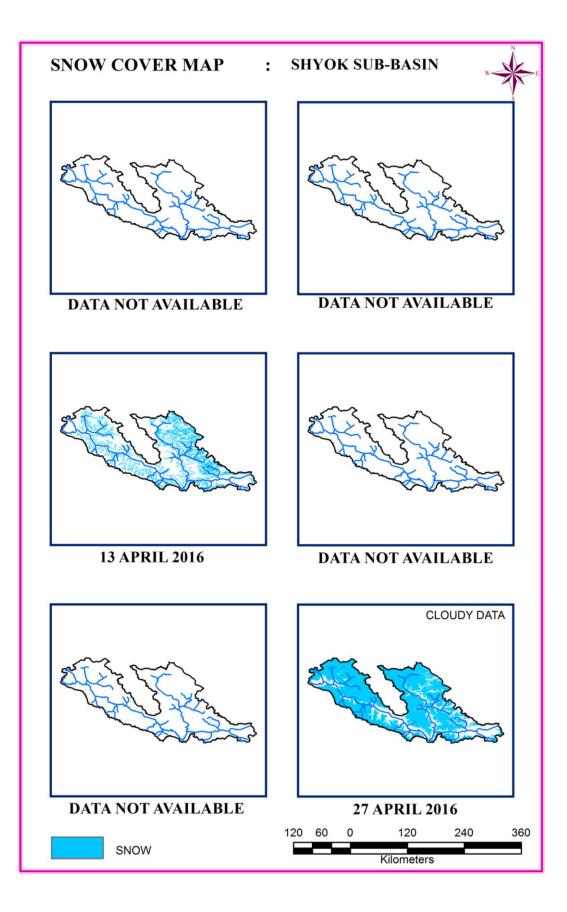


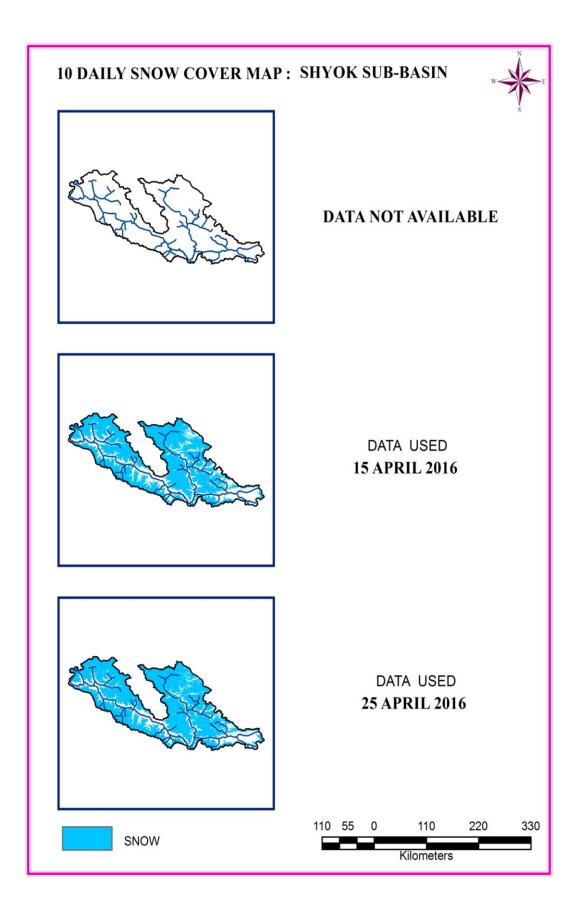


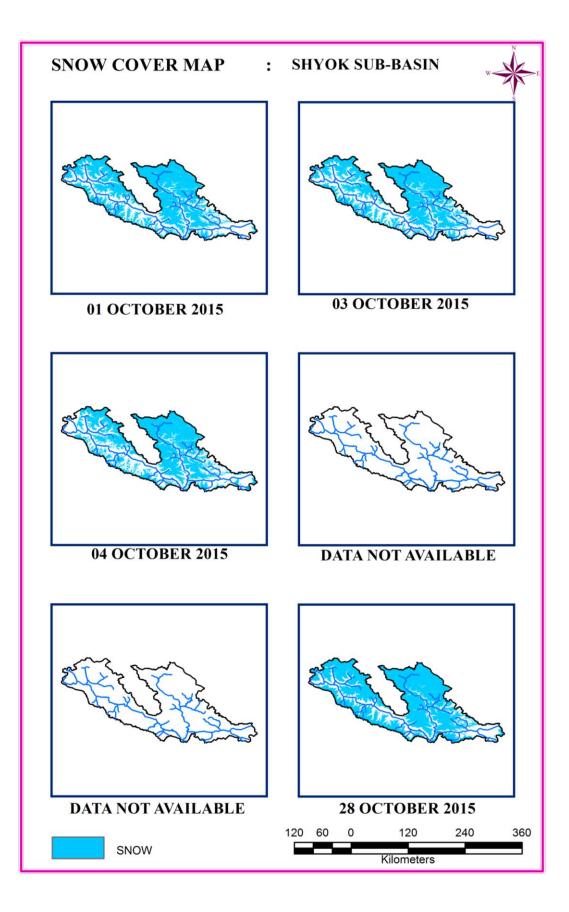


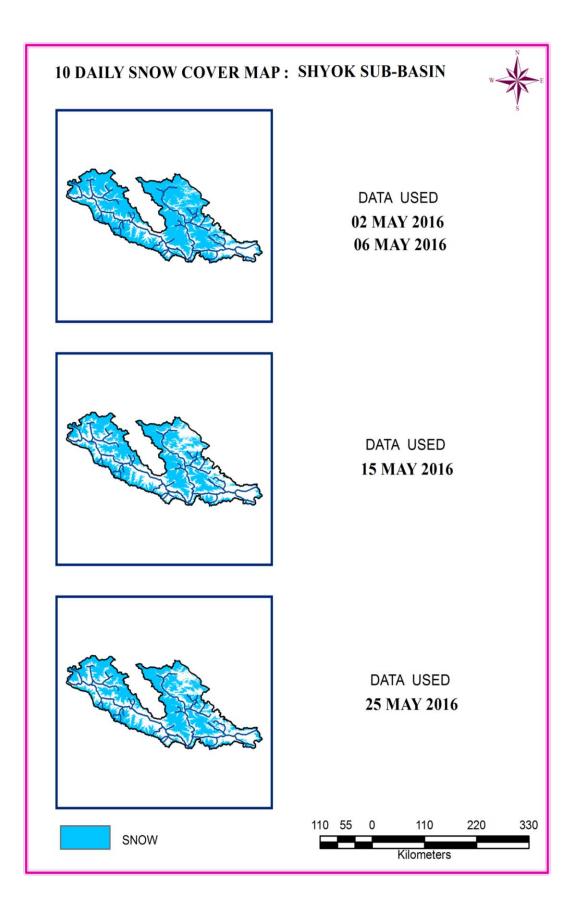


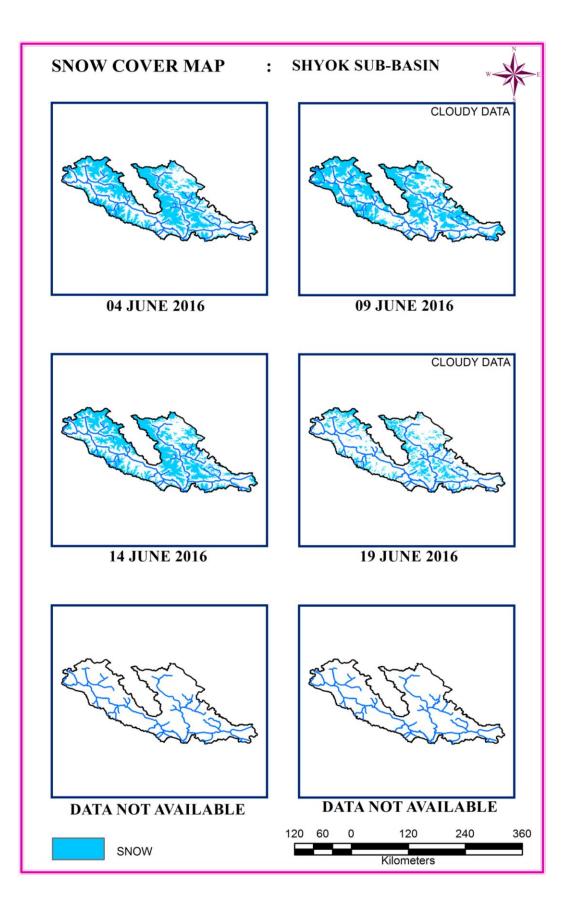


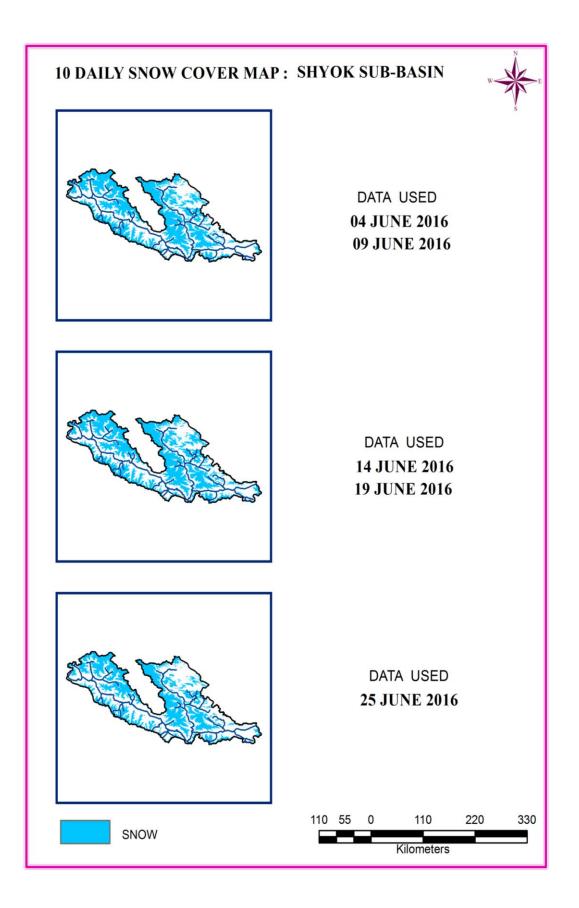












# SHIGAR SUB-BASIN

# AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

#### **BASIN NAME: SHIGAR**

# BASIN AREA: 7050 sq km

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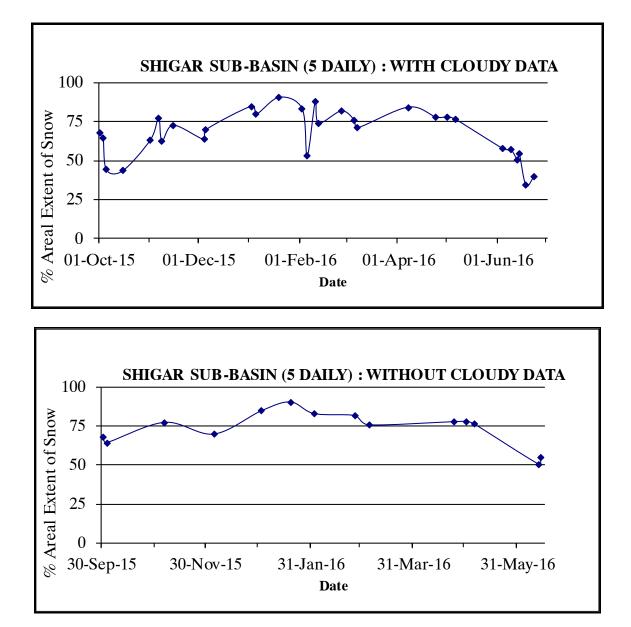
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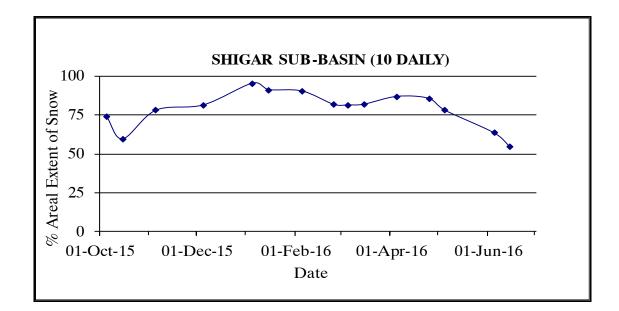
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2	15-Oct-15	4209	60						
December 2015				January 2016					
4	05-Dec-15	5739	81	5	05-Jan-16	6724	95		
				6	15-Jan-16	6428	91		
				7	25-Jan-16				
	February 2016				March 2016				
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April 2016				May 2016					
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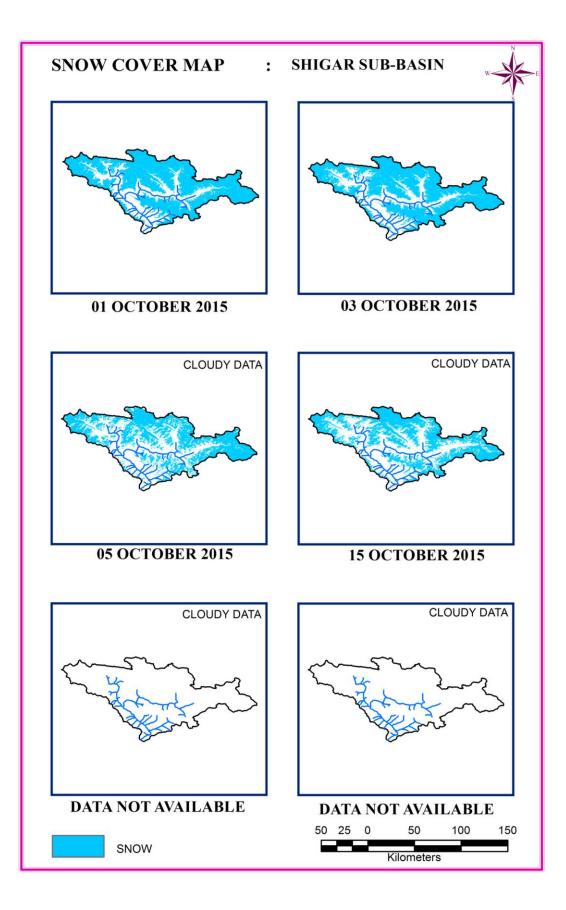
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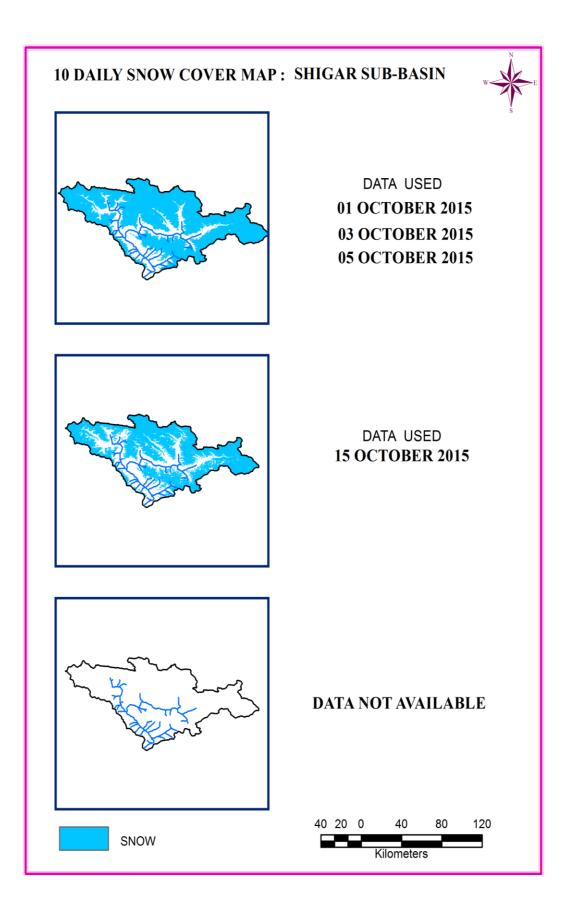


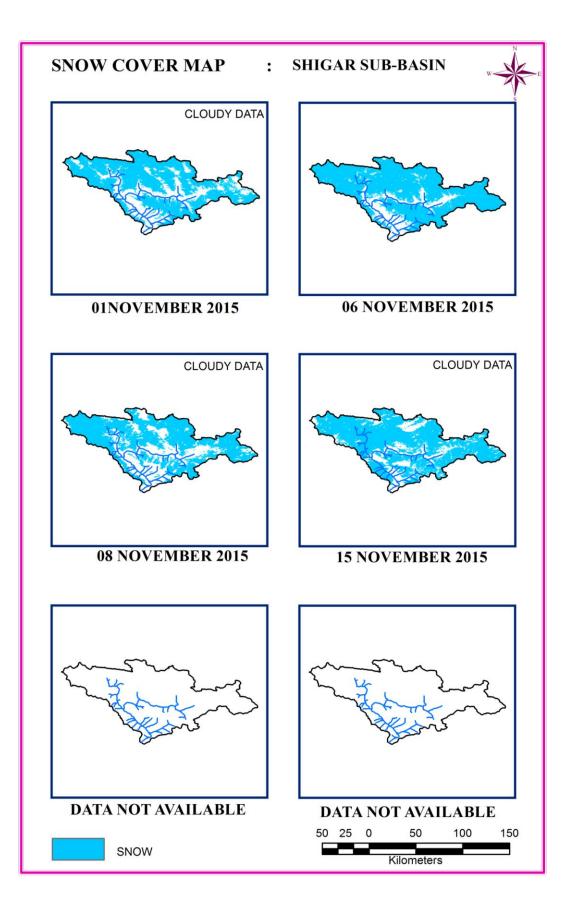
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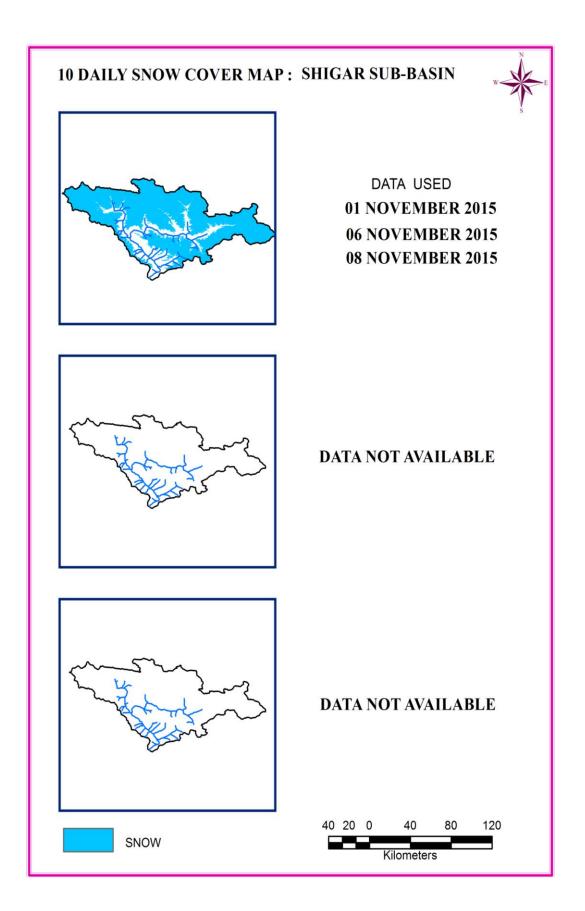


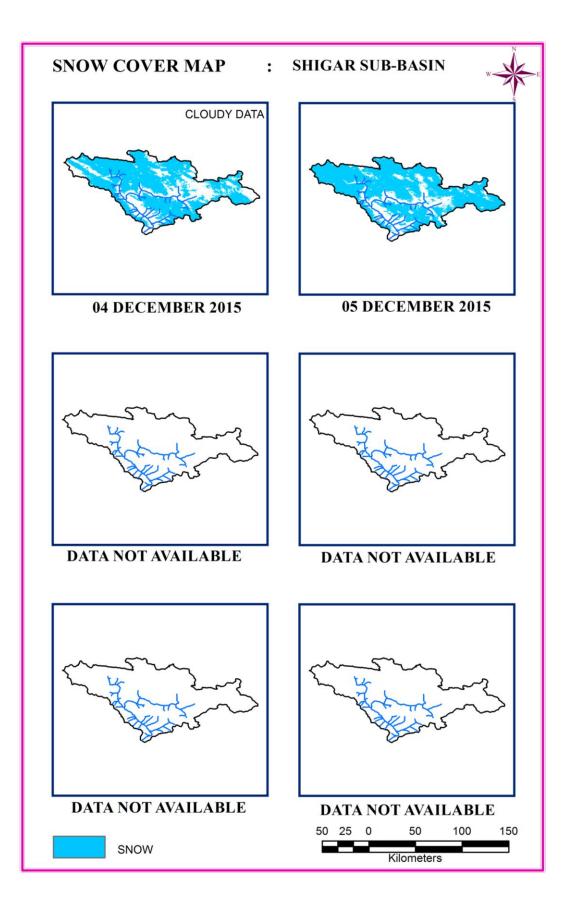
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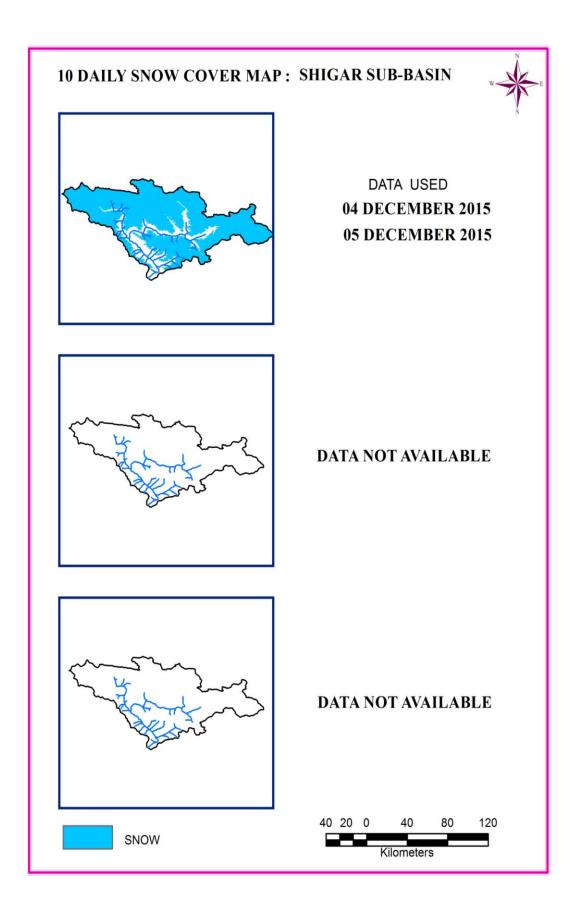


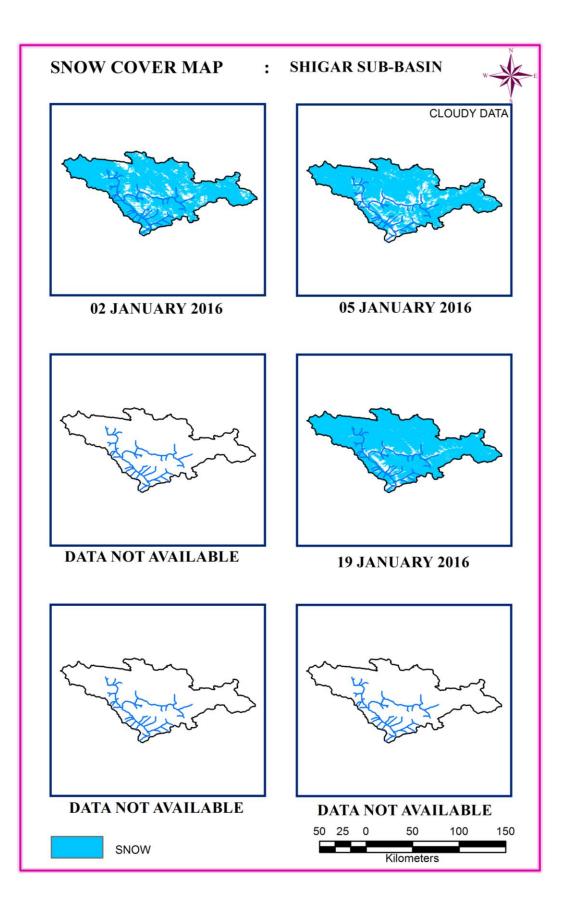


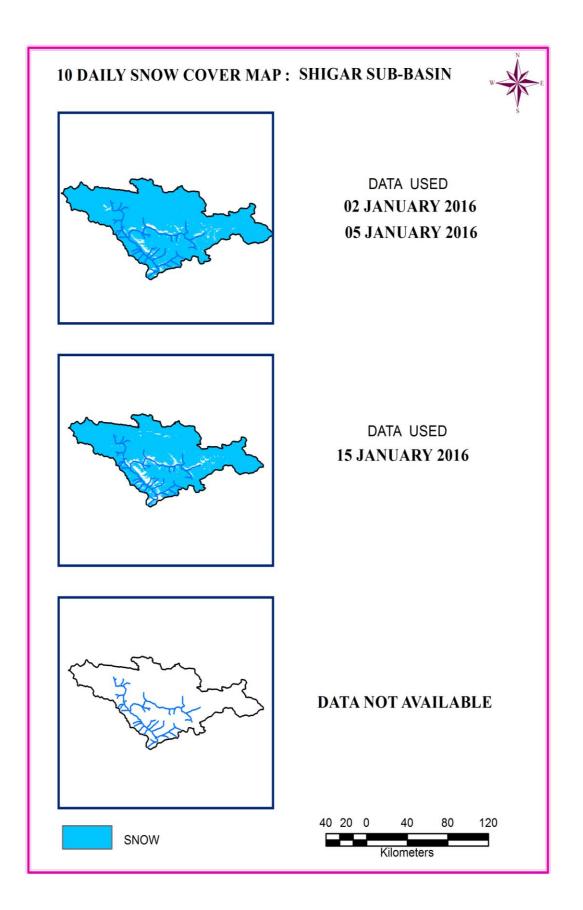


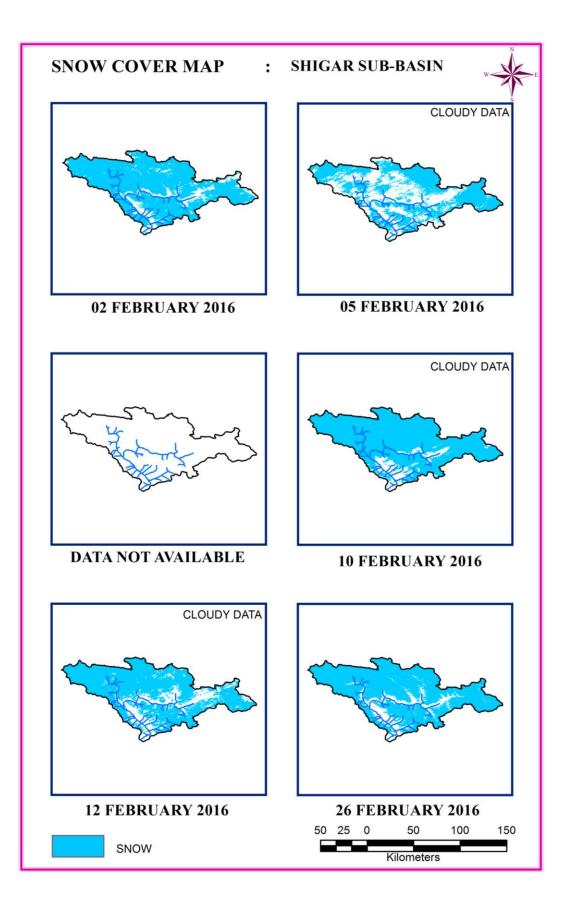


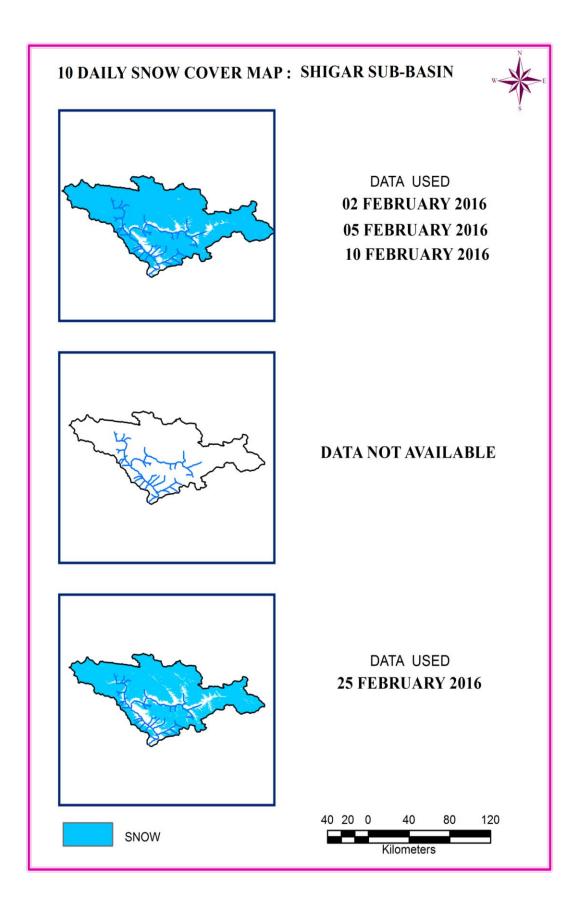


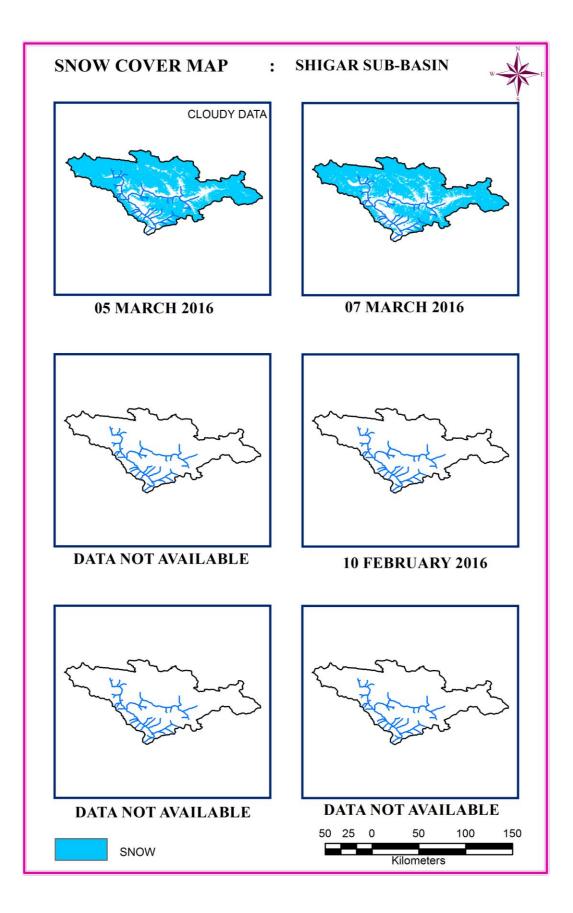


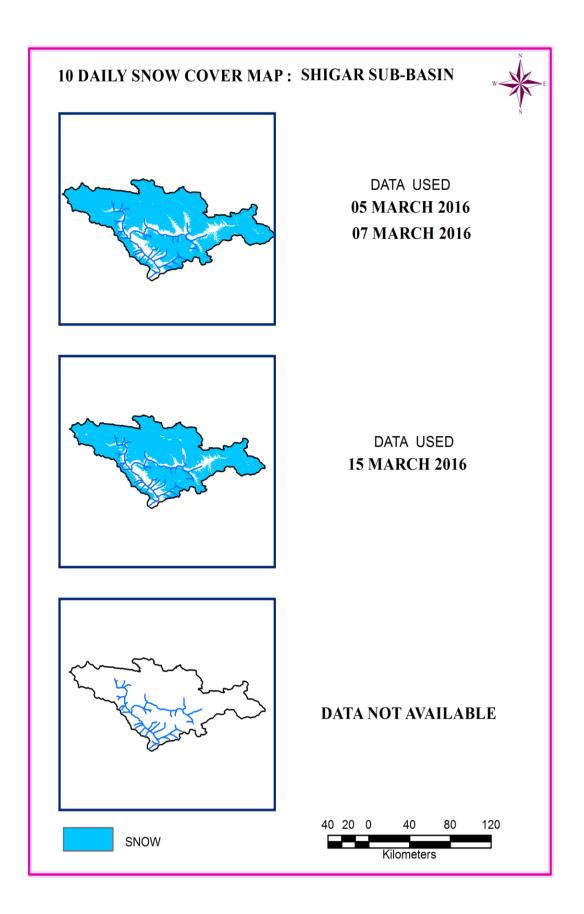


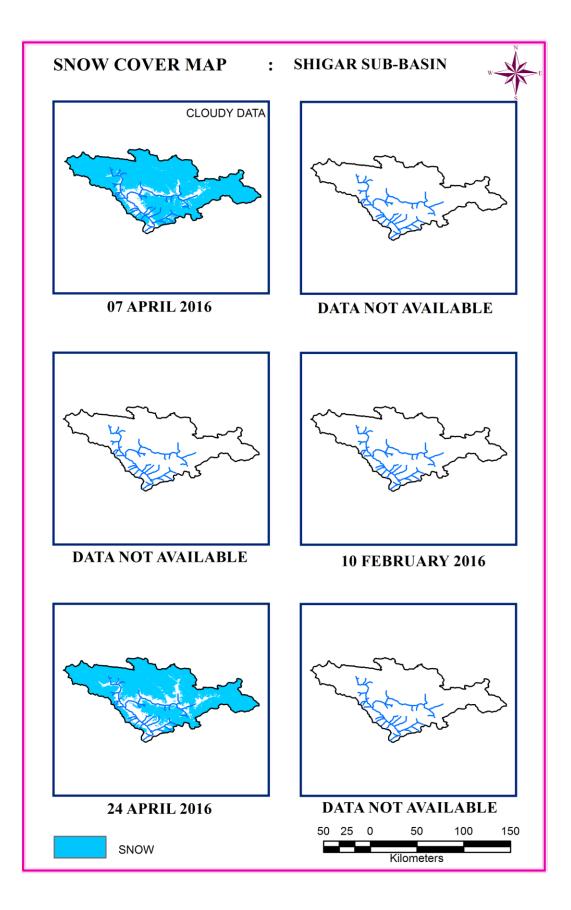


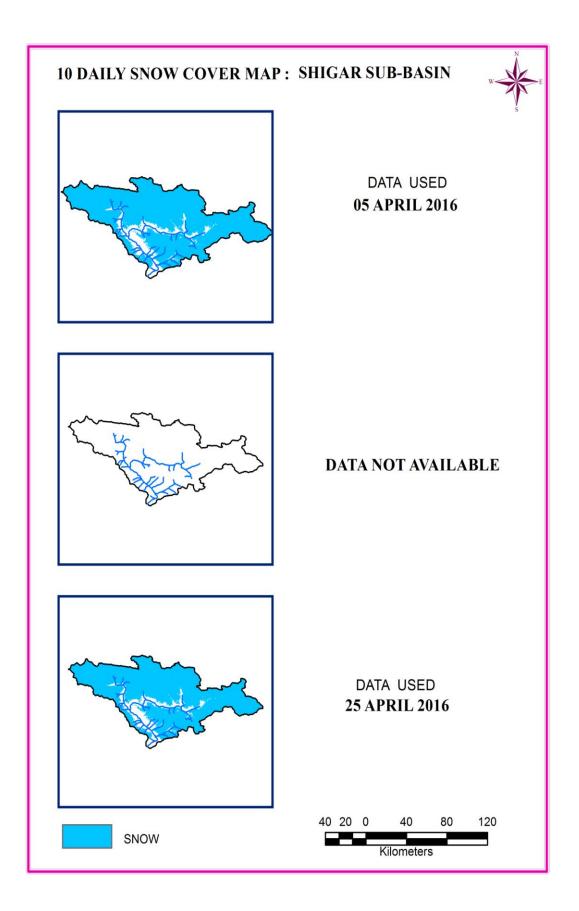


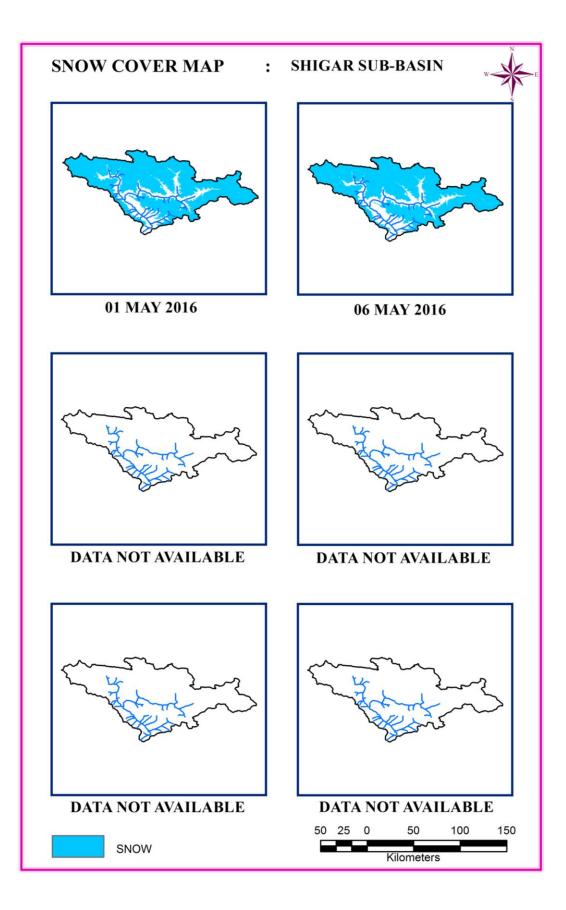


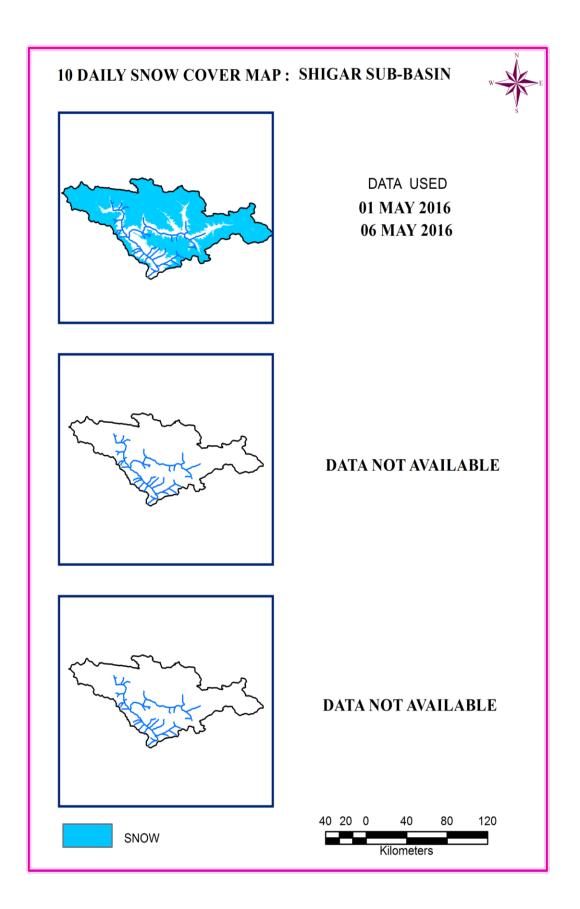


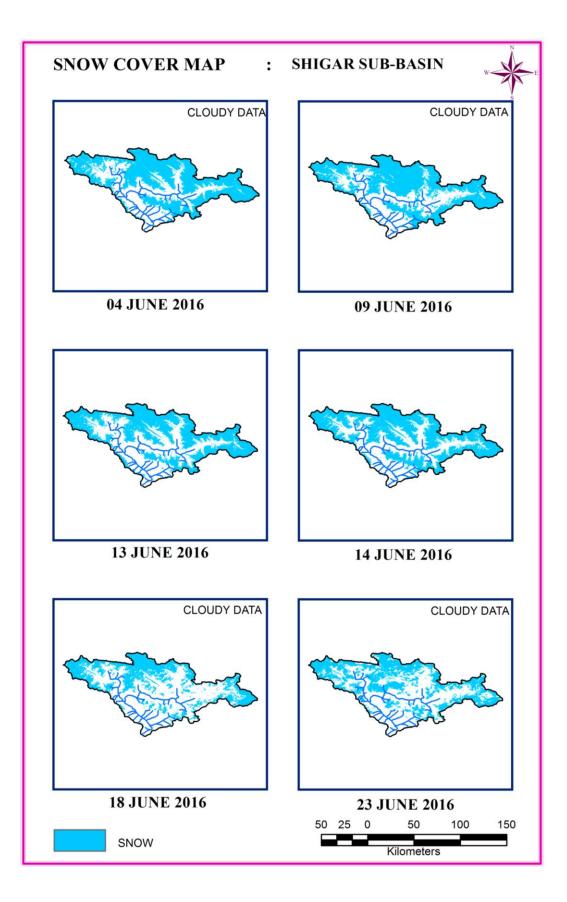


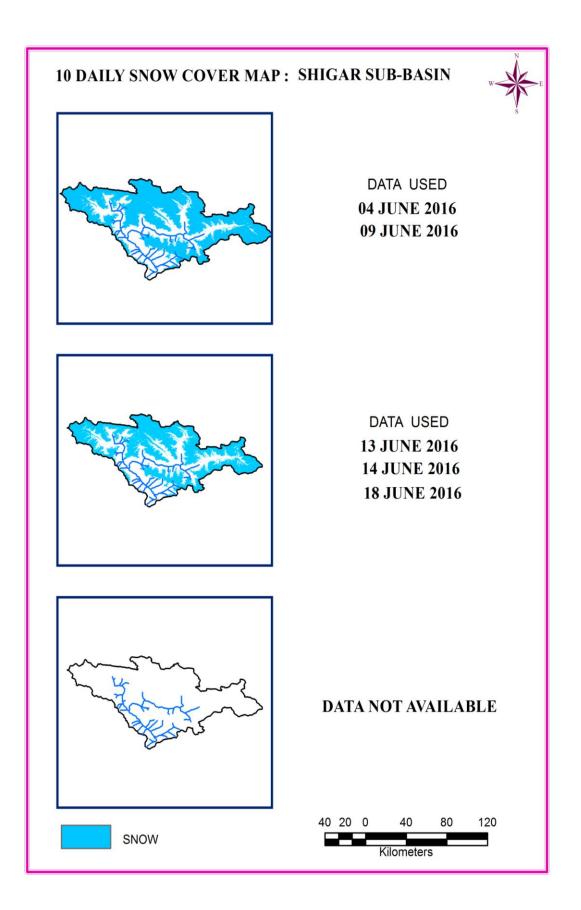












# HANZA SUB-BASIN

## AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

### **BASIN NAME: HANZA**

## BASIN AREA: 13711sq km

S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)			
October 2015										
1	01-Oct-15	7841	57	3	05-Oct-15	5965	65			
2	03-Oct-15	6426	47	4	15-Oct-15	8922	82			
November 2015										
5	01-Nov-15	8922	65	7	08-Nov-15	9633	70			
6	06-Nov-15	11226	82	8	15-Nov-15	9785	71			
			Decemb	er 2015						
9	04-Dec-15	8819	64							
January 2016										
11	02-Jan-16	10796	79	13	19-Jan-16	12280	90			
February 2016										
14	02-Feb-16	10616	77	17	10-Feb-16	11690	85			
15	05-Feb-16	9472	69	18	12-Feb-16	10964	80			
16	09-Feb-16	9213	67	19	26-Feb-16	11010	80			
			March	n 2016						
20	04-Mar-16	10212	74	22	07-Mar-16	8891	65			
21	05-Mar-16	9928	72							
			April	2016						
24	07-Apr-16	11807	86	26	24-Apr-16	10386	76			
		-	May	2016						
27	01-May-16	10246	75	28	06-May-16	10142	74			
		•	June	2016	·	·				
29	04-Jun-16	5462	40	33	13-Jun-16	5857	43			
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31	09-Jun-16	5242	38	35	23-Jun-16	5970	44			

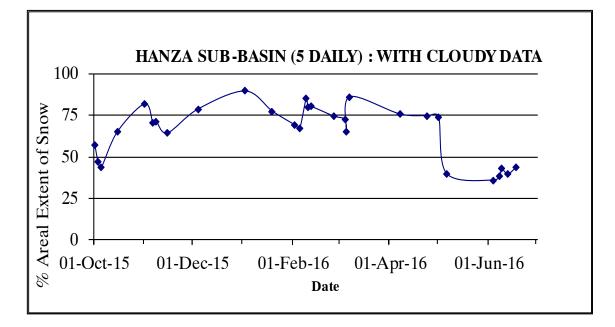
## AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (10 DAILY)

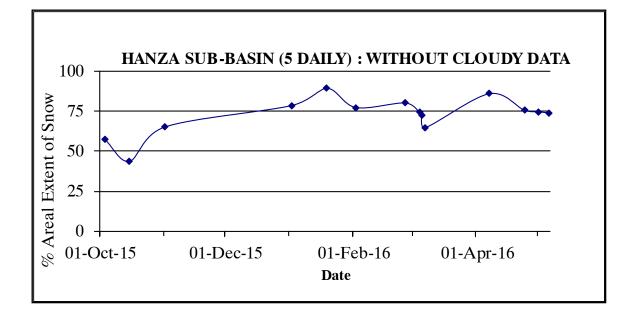
### **BASIN NAME: HANZA**

## BASIN AREA: 13711sq km

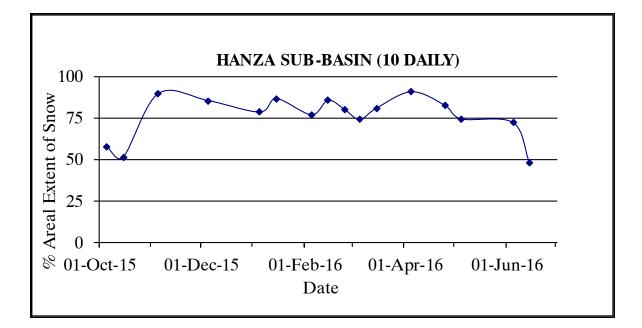
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2	15-Oct-15	7097	52						
	Dece	mber 2015		January 2016					
4	05-Dec-15	11766	86	5	05-Jan-16	10818	79		
				6	15-Jan-16	11931	87		
February 2016				March 2016					
8	05-Feb-16	10595	77	11	05-Mar-16	10212	74		
9	15-Feb-16	11800	86	12	15-Mar-16	11130	81		
10	25-Feb-16	11012	80						
April 2016					May 2016				
13	05-Apr-16	12498	91	15	05-May-16	10245	75		
14	25-Apr-16	11386	83						
	Ju	ne 2016							
17	05-Jun-2016	9942	73						
18	15-Jun-2016	6580	48						

#### **SNOW COVER DEPLETION CURVE**

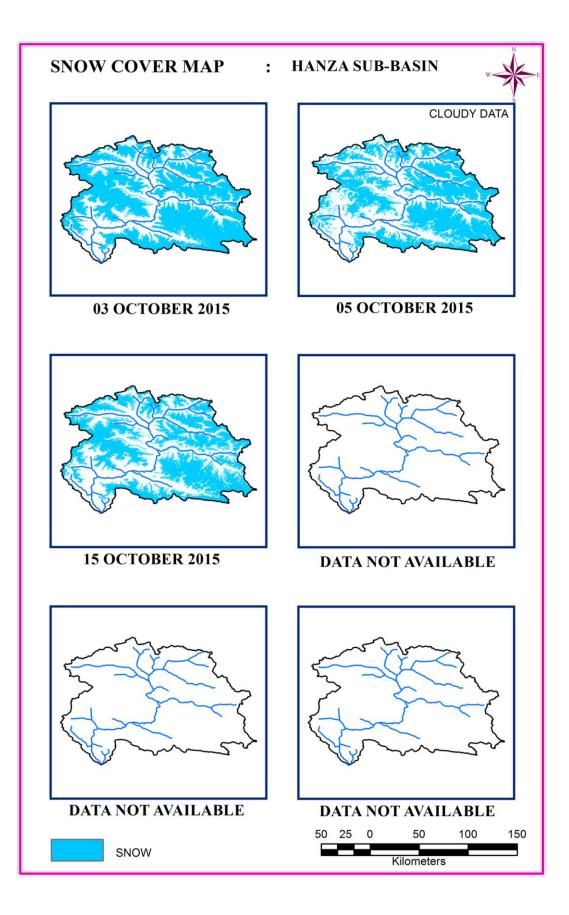


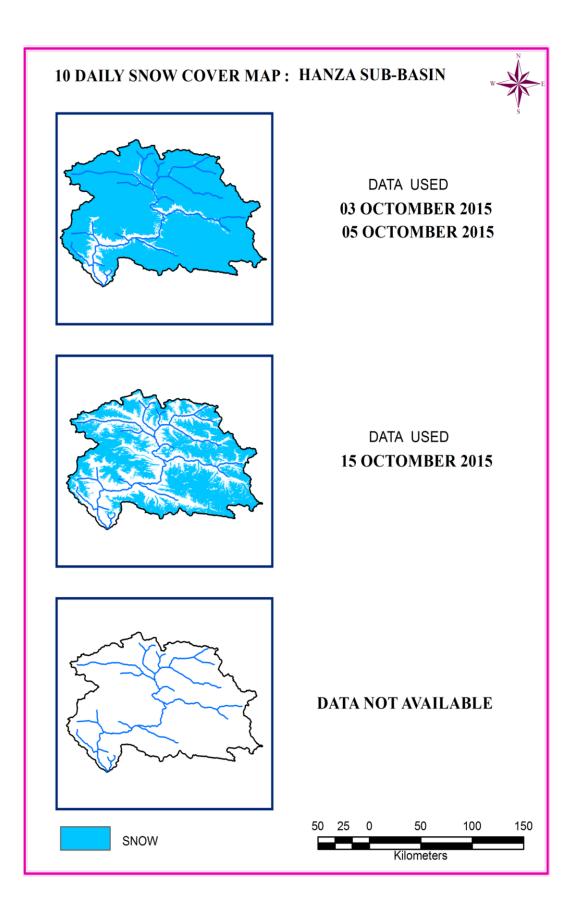


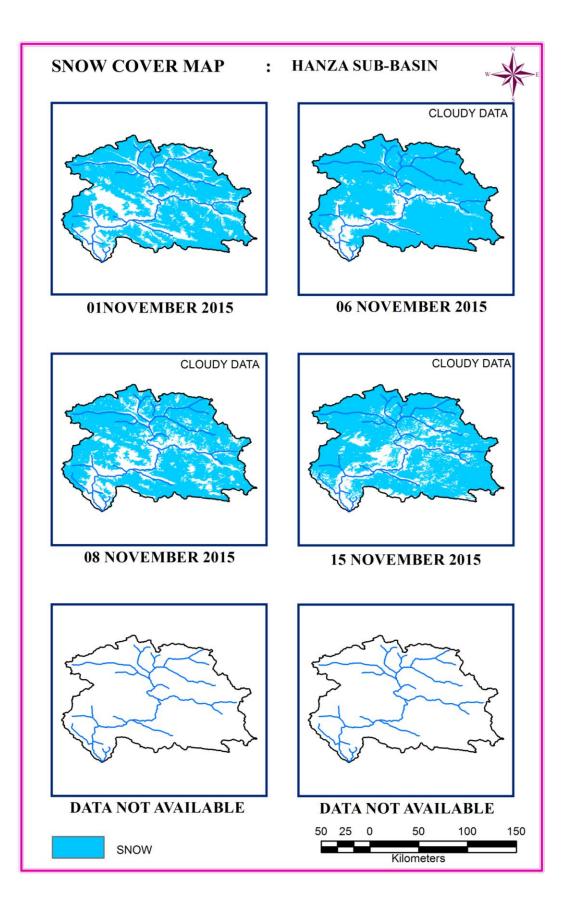
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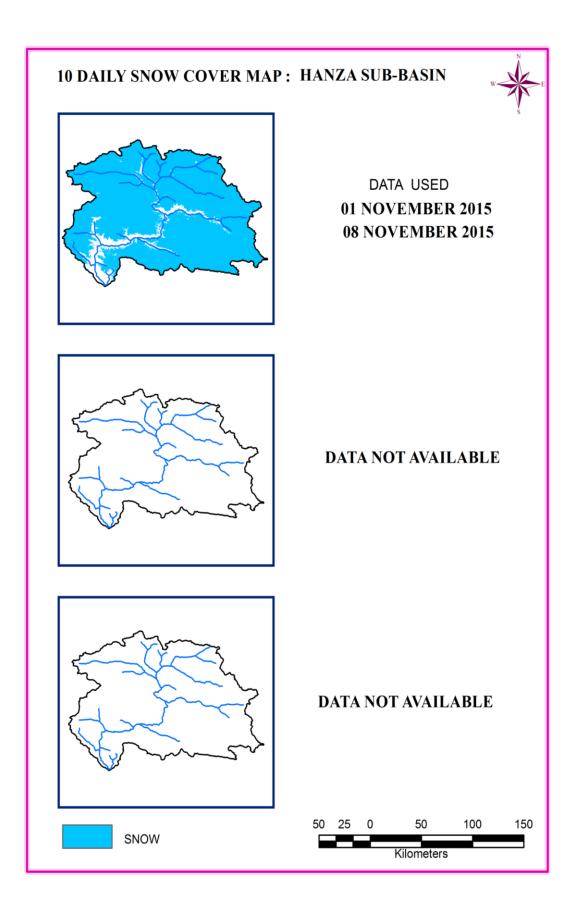


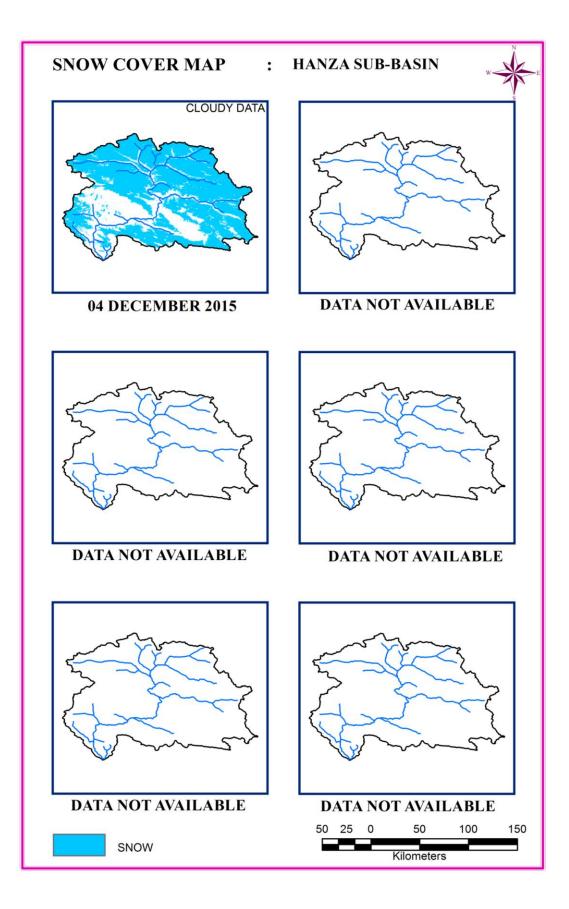
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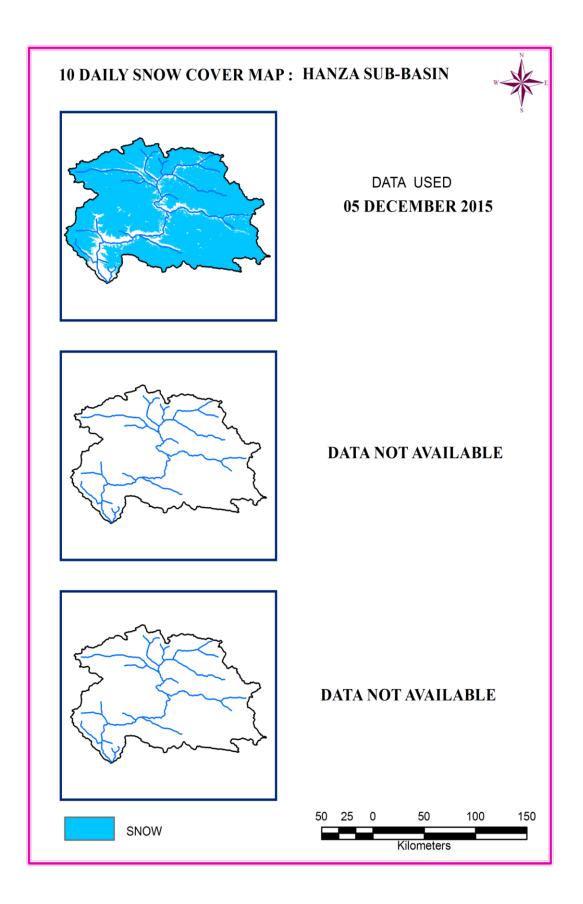


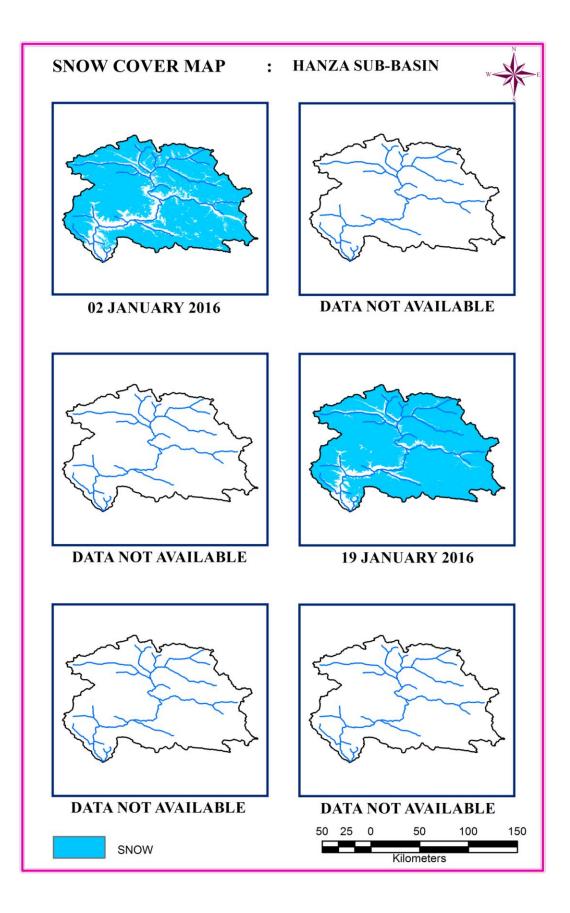


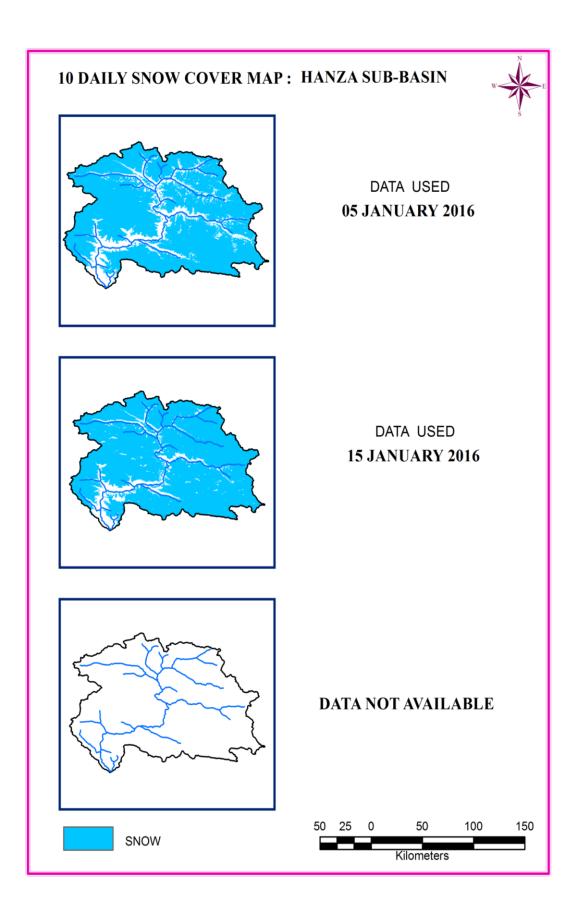


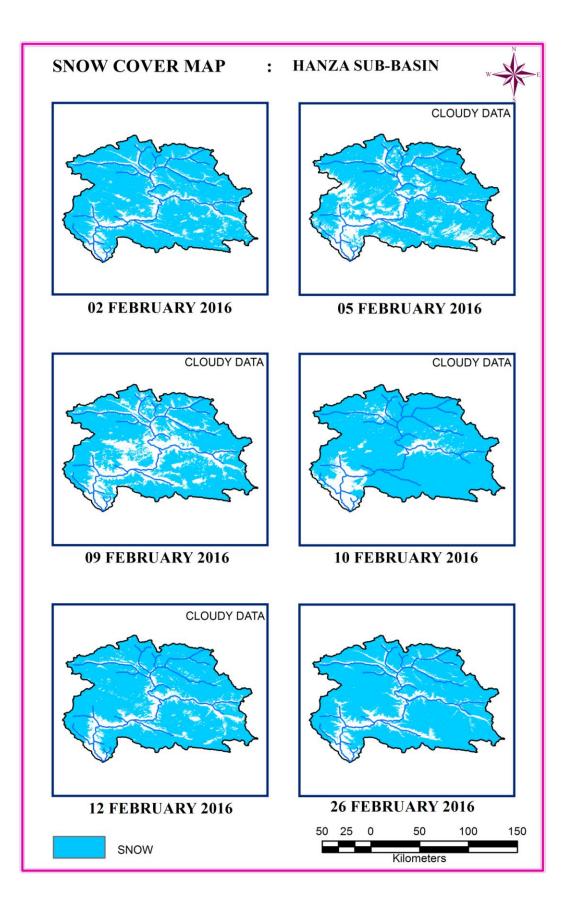


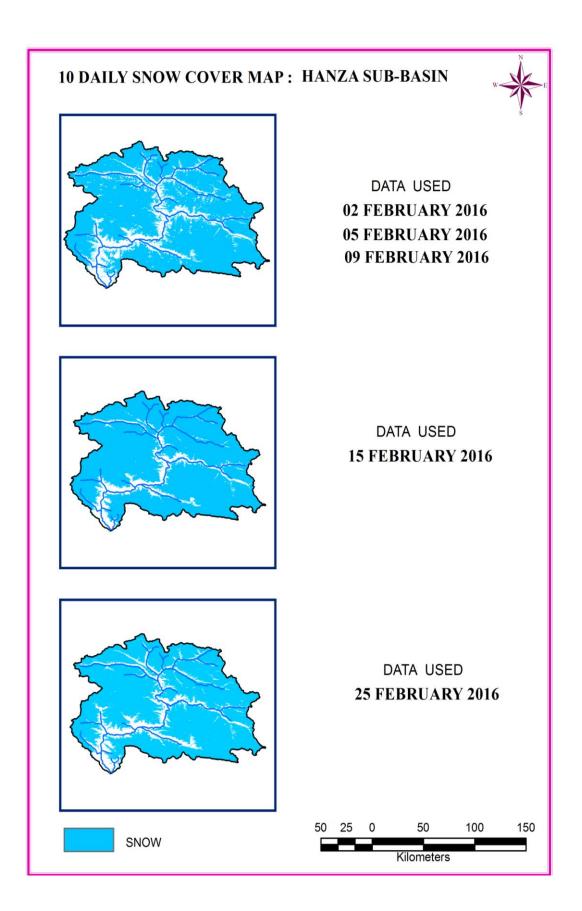


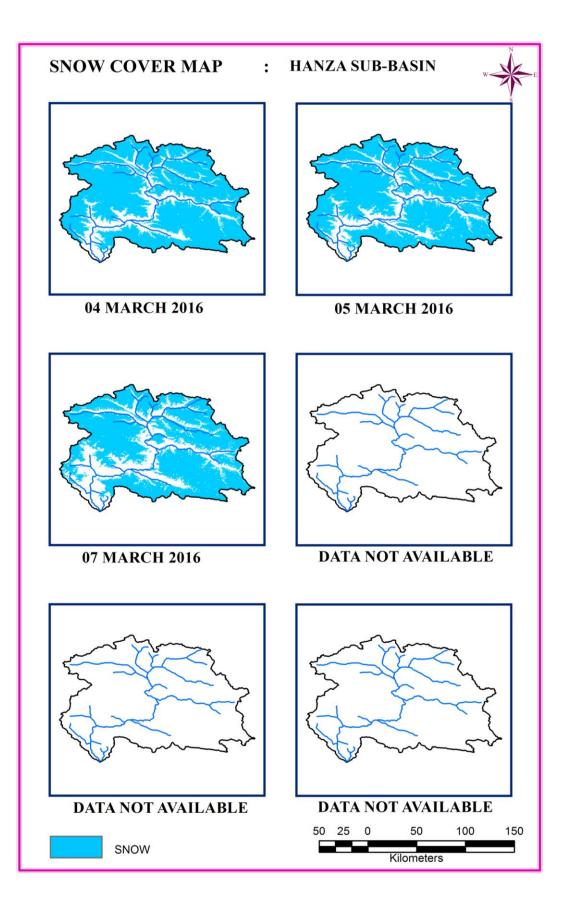


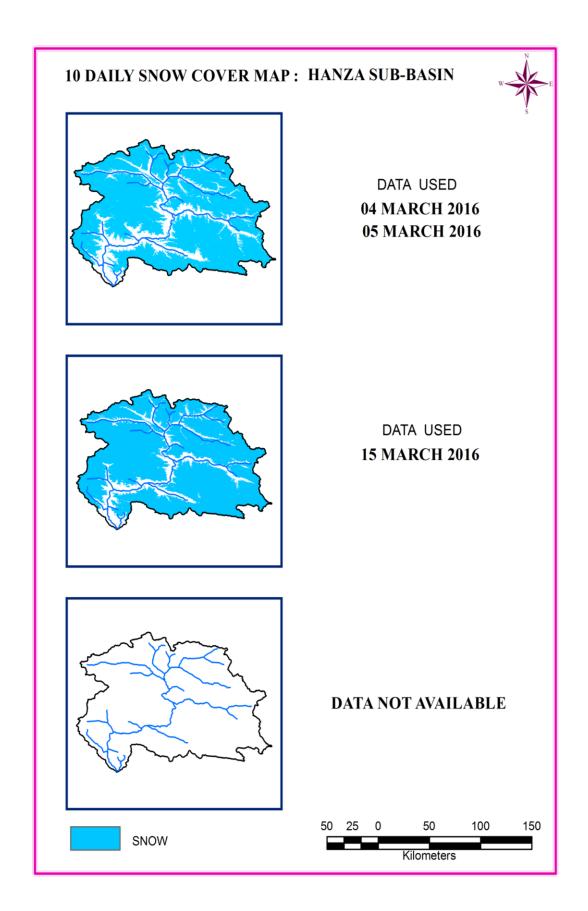


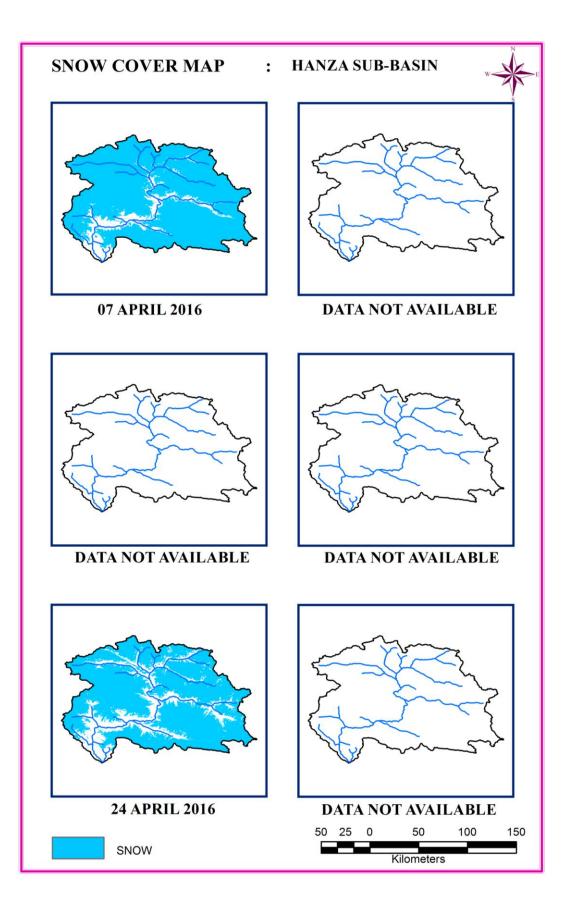


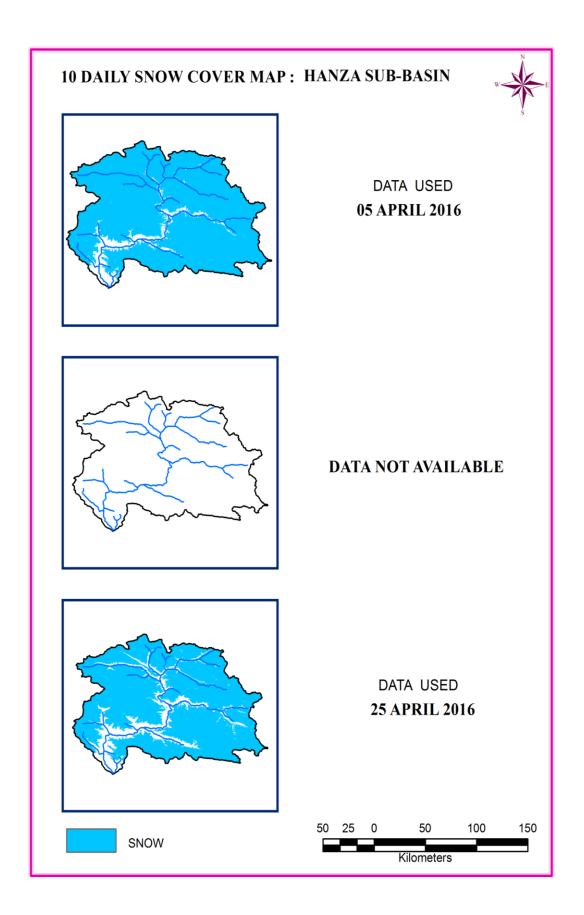


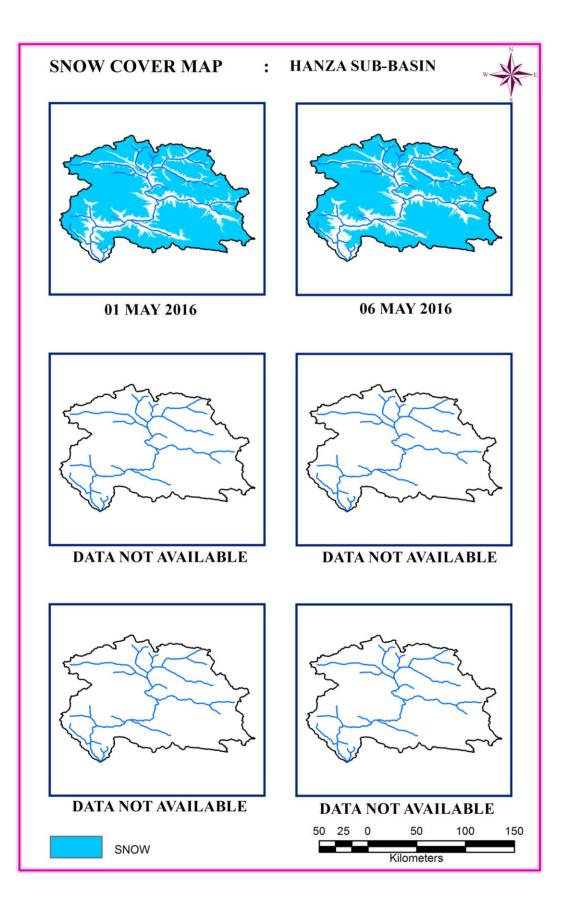


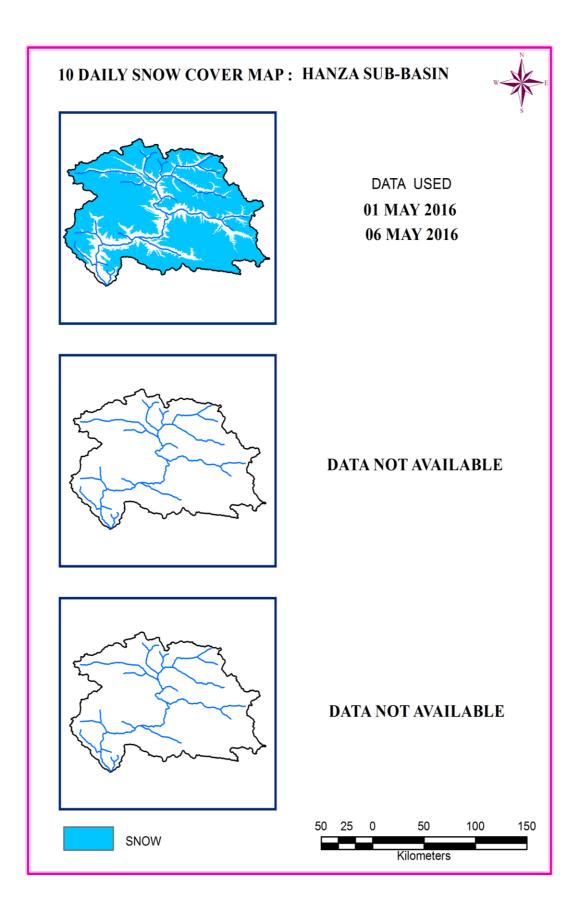


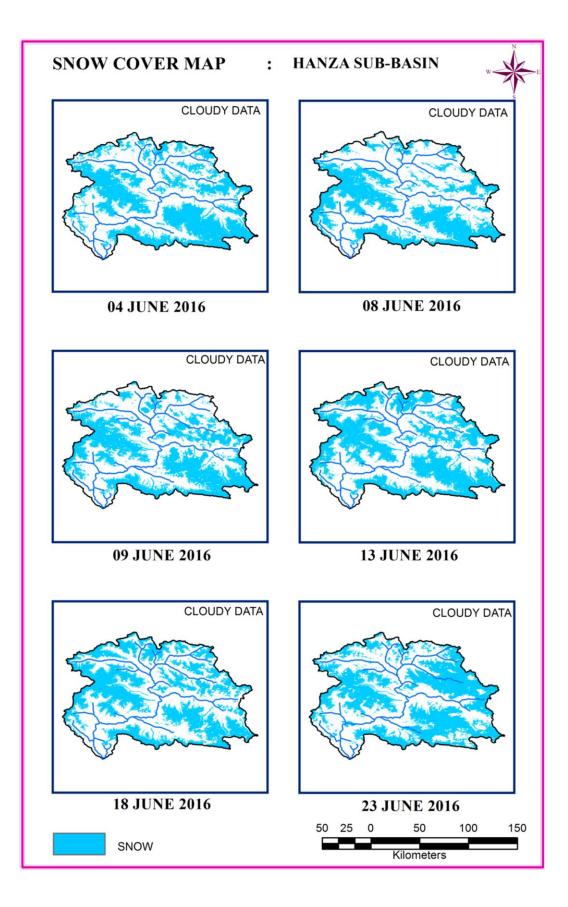


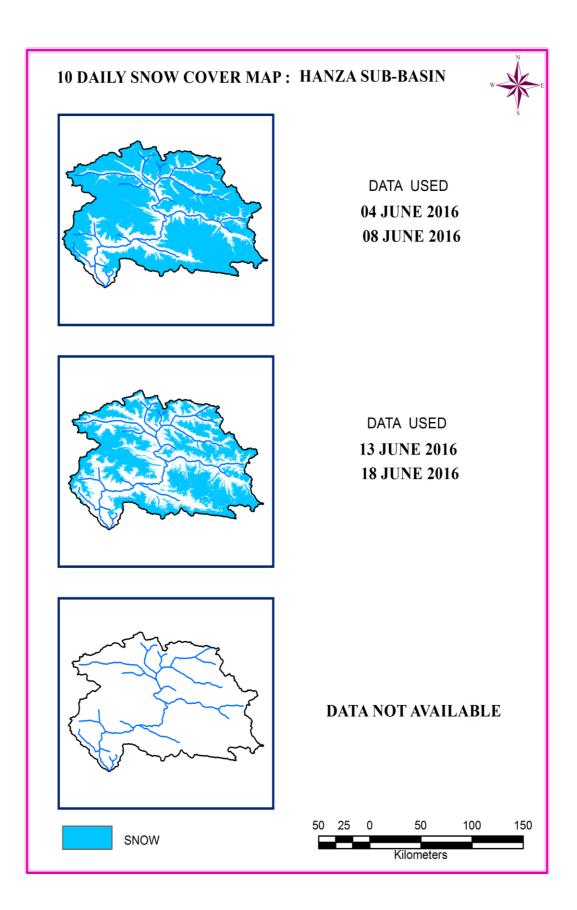












# GILGITSUB-BASIN

# AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

### **BASIN NAME: GILGIT**

# BASIN AREA: 13615 sq km

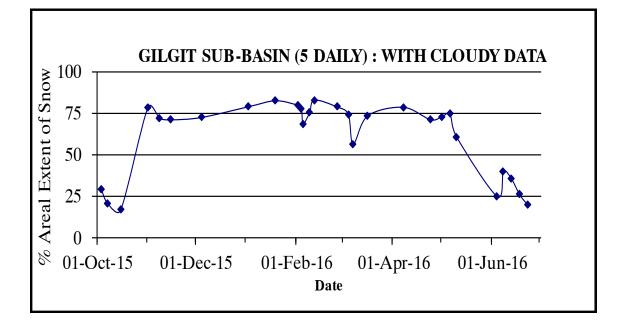
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2	07-Oct-15	2891	21				
			Novemb	er 2015			
5	01-Nov-15	10775	79	7	15-Nov-15	9738	72
6	08-Nov-15	9872	73				
			Decemb	er 2015	·	•	
9	04-Dec-15	9929	73				
			Januar	y 2016	-		
11	02-Jan-16	10805	79	13	19-Jan-16	11299	83
			Februa	ry 2016			
14	02-Feb-16	10918		17	09-Feb-16	10319	
15	04-Feb-16	10679		18	12-Feb-16	11351	
16	05-Feb-16	9421		19	26-Feb-16	10793	
		1	March	n 2016	1	1	1
20	04-Mar-16	10164	75	23	16-Mar-16	10067	74
22	07-Mar-16	7750	57				
			April	2016		-	•
24	07-Apr-16	10767	79	26	24-Apr-16	9739	72
			May	2016			
27	01-May-16	10004	73	28	10-May-16	8340	61
	06-May-16	10205	75				
			June	2016			
29	04-Jun-16	3474	26	33	18-Jun-16	3618	27
30	08-Jun-16	5509	40	34	23-Jun-16	2770	20
31	13-Jun-16	4900	36				

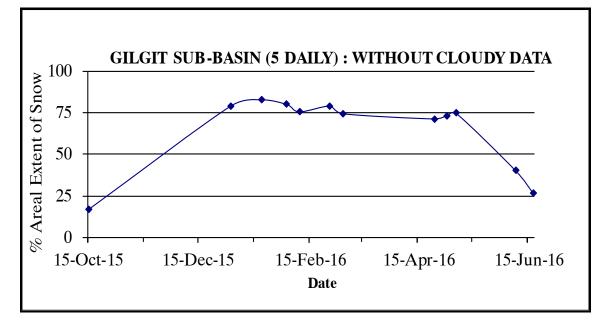
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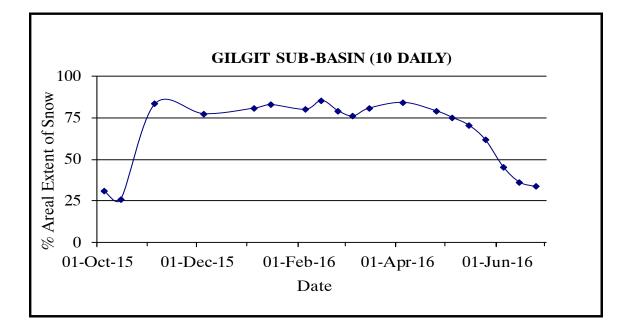
### **BASIN NAME: GILGIT**

## BASIN AREA: 13615sq km

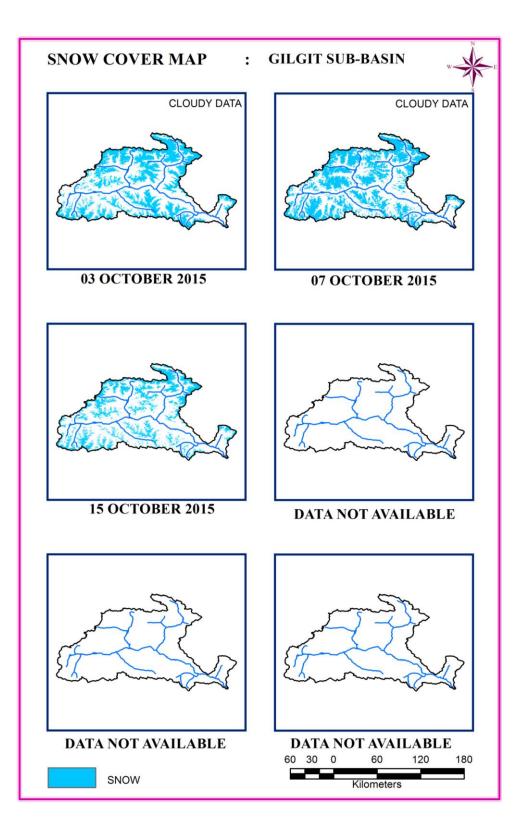
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2	15-Oct-15	3519	26						
	Decer			January 2016					
4	05-Dec-15	10554	78	5	05-Jan-16	11021	81		
				6	15-Jan-16	11299	83		
	Febr	uary 2016		March 2016					
8	05-Feb-16	10917	80	11	05-Mar-16	10371	76		
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10	25-Feb-16	10792	79						
April 2016				May 2016					
13	05-Apr-16	11483	84	15	05-May-16	10242	75		
14	25-Apr-16	10786	79	16	15-May-16	9610	71		
					25-May-16	8427	62		
June 2016									
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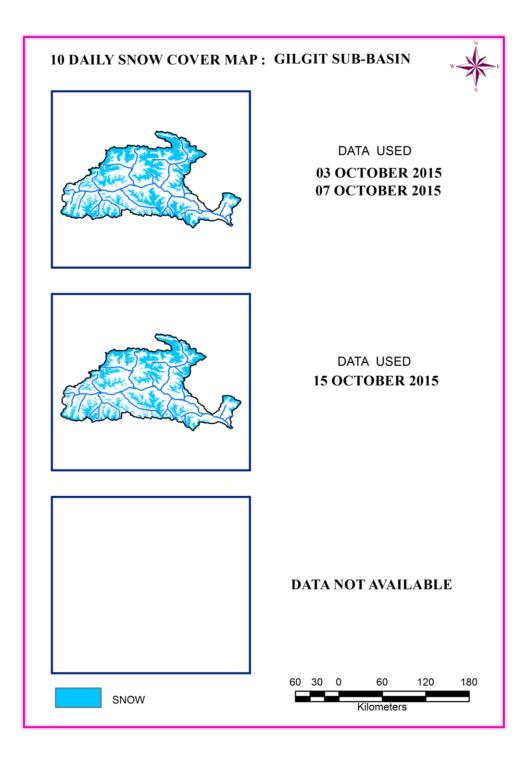


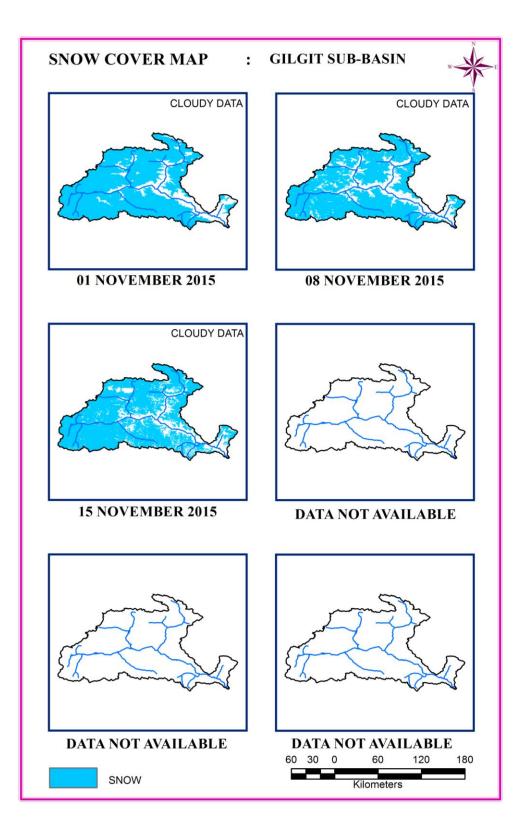


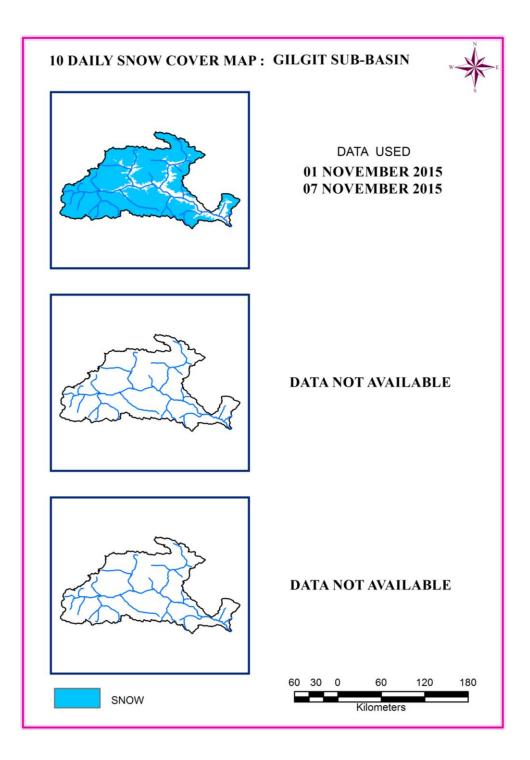


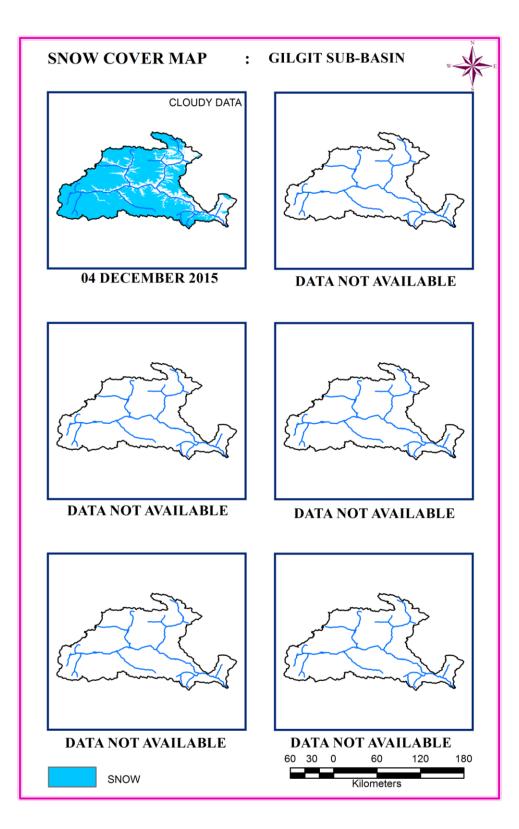
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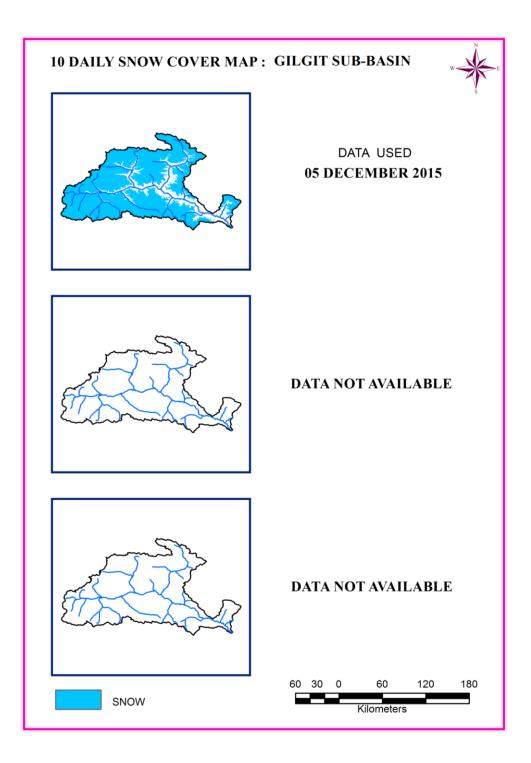


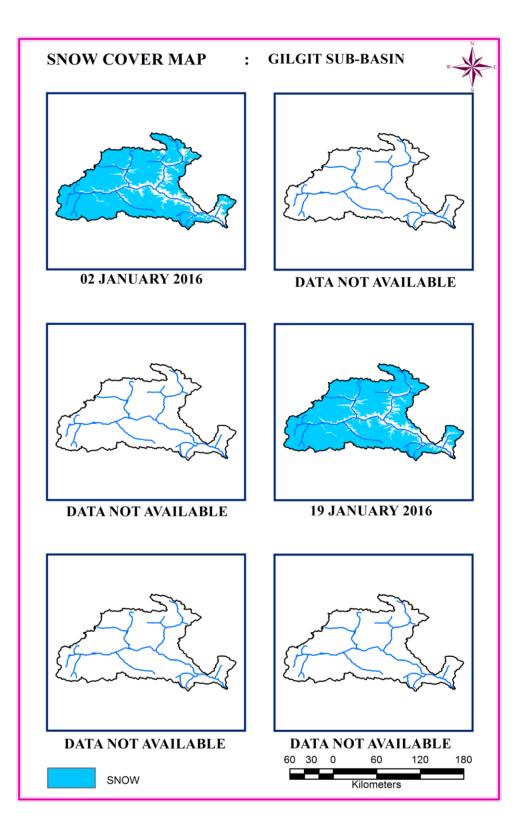


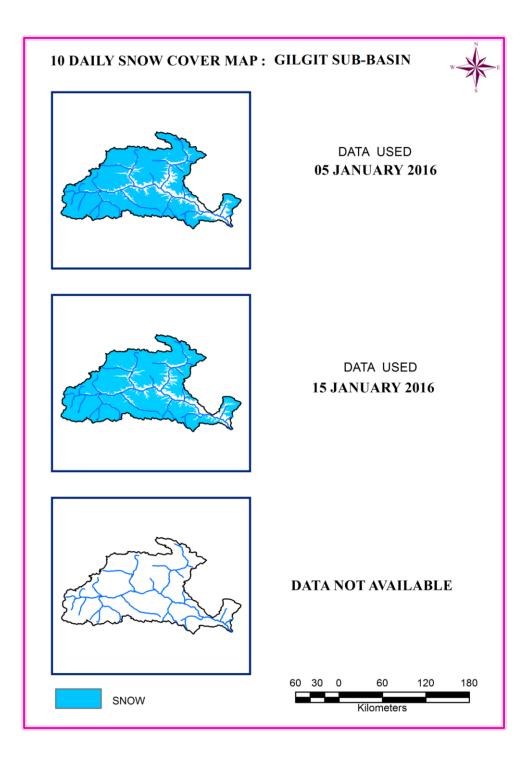


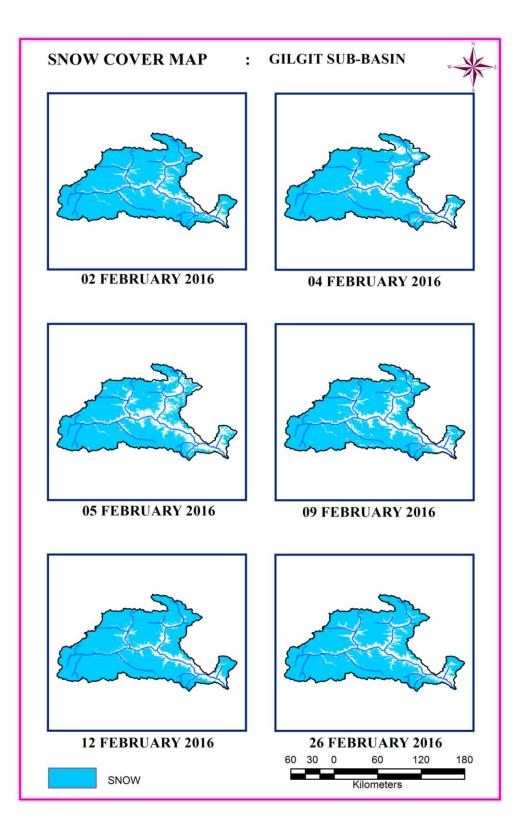


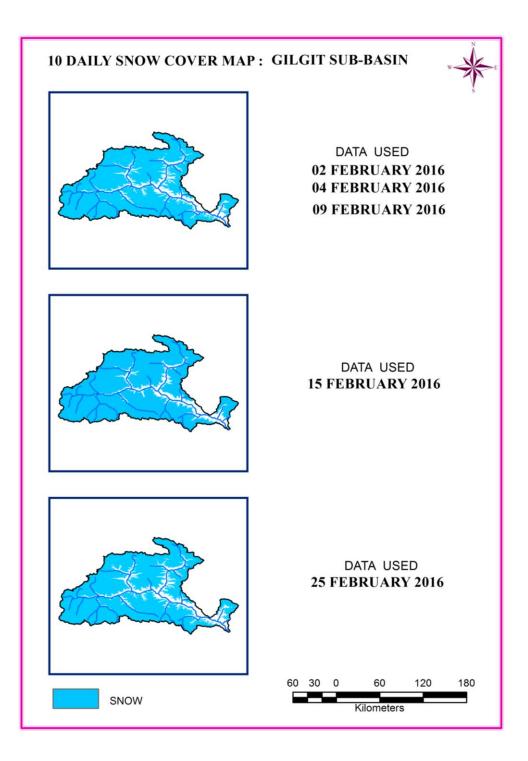


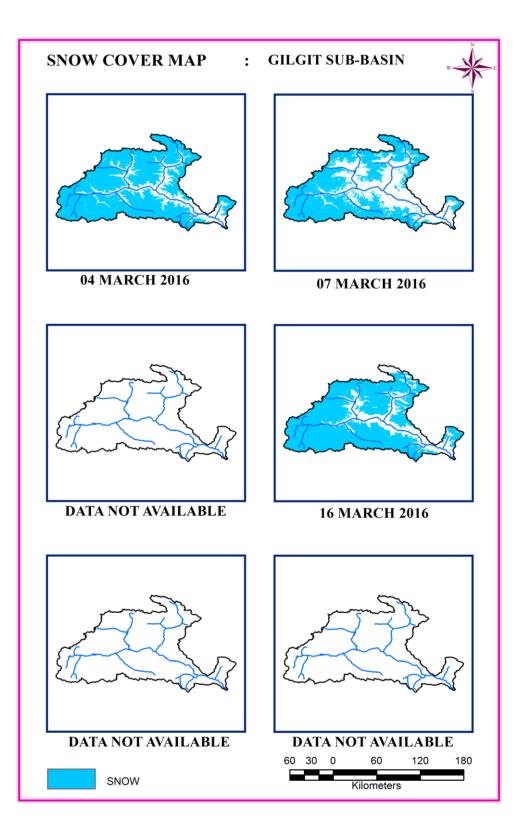


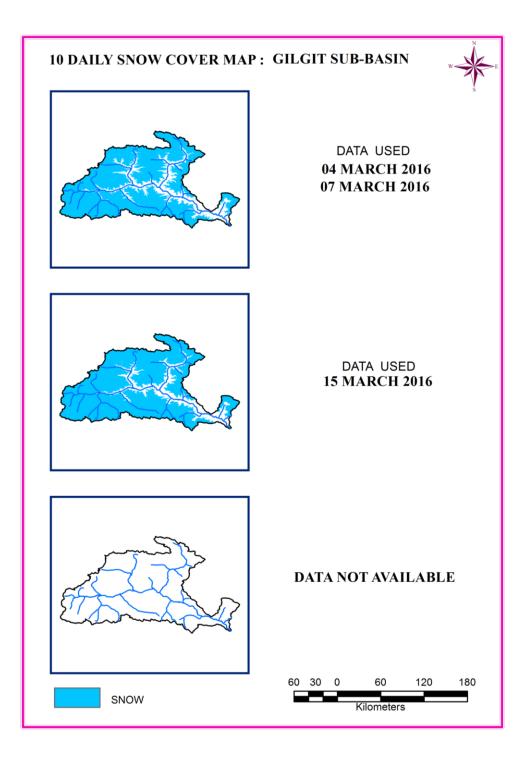


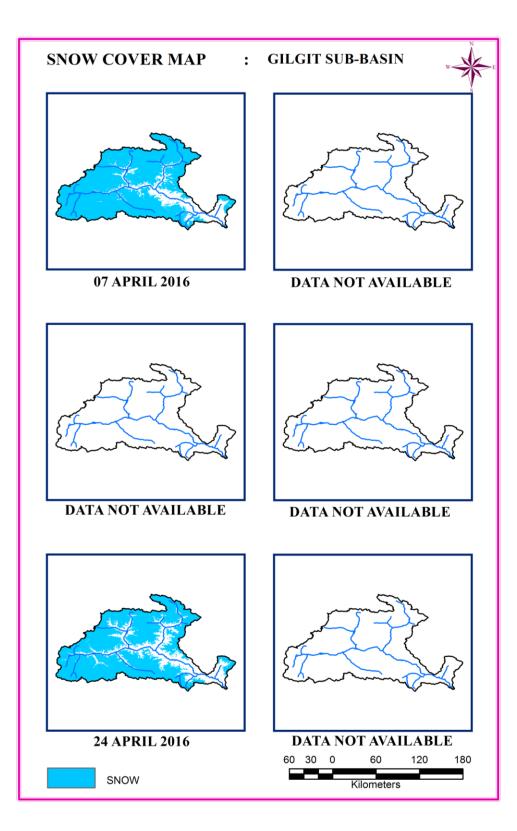


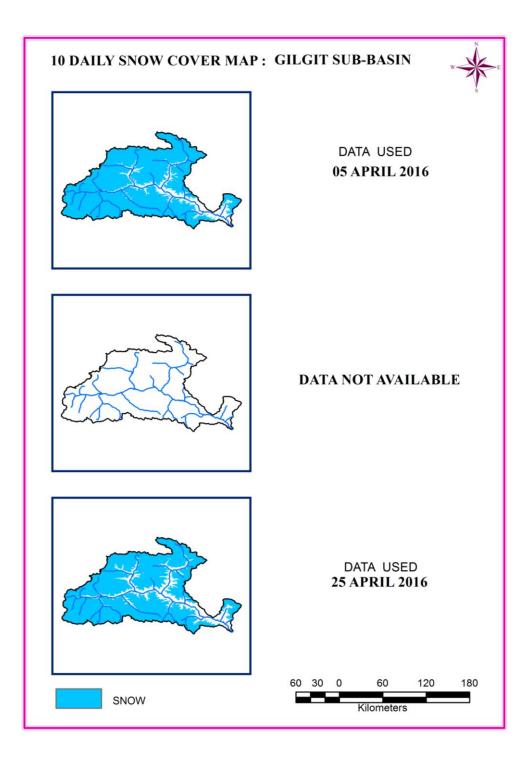


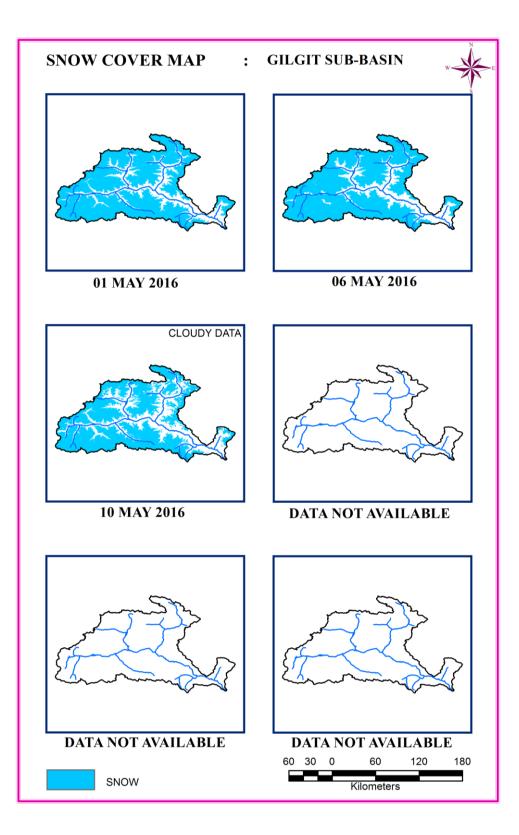


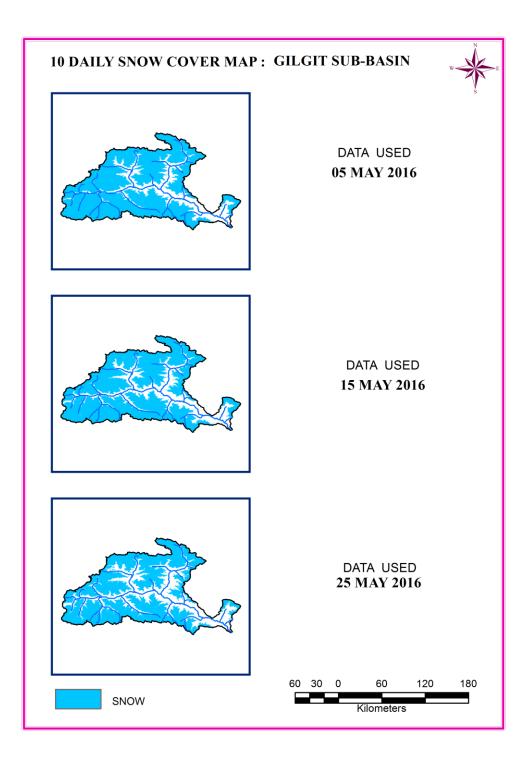


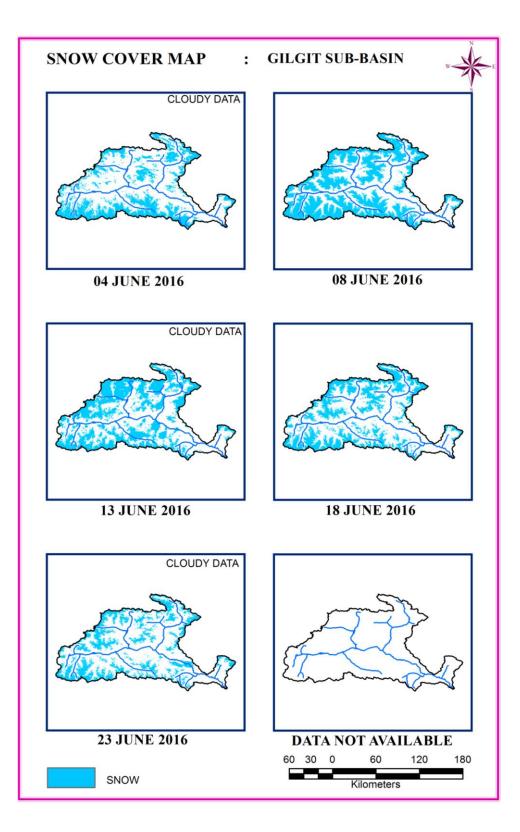


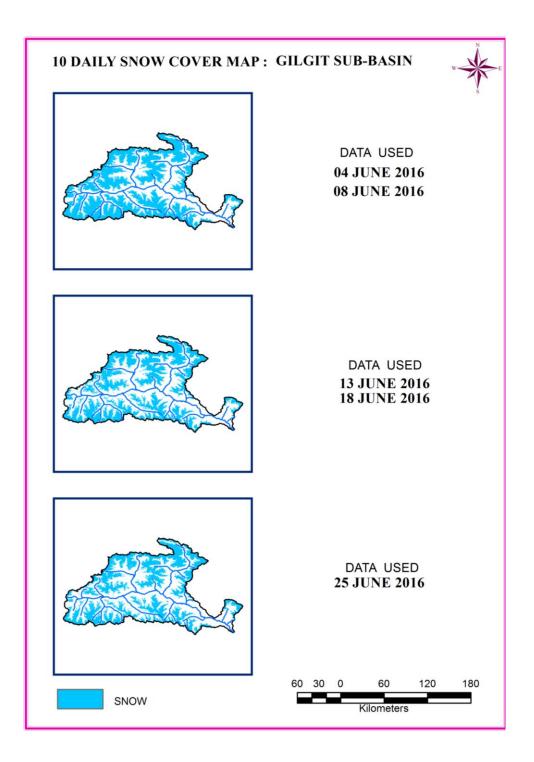












# SHASGAN SUB-BASIN

# AREAL EXTENT OF SNOW (5 DAILY)

### **BASIN NAME: SHASGAN**

# BASIN AREA: 7613sq km

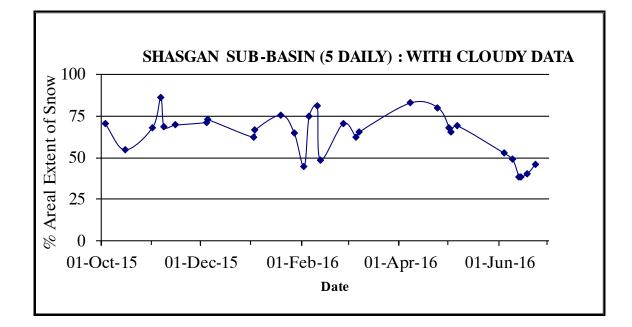
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			Octobe	er 2015			
1	03-Oct-15	5361	70	3	15-Oct-15	4180	55
			Novemb	er 2015			
5	01-Nov-15	5207	68	7	08-Nov-15	5233	69
6	06-Nov-15	6579	86	8	15-Nov-15	5312	70
			Decemb	er 2015			
9	04-Dec-15	5434	71	10	05-Dec-15	5559	73
	1		Januar	y 2016		1	1
11	02-Jan-16	4749	62	13	19-Jan-16	5777	76
12	03-Jan-16	5093	67		27-Jan-16	4932	65
			Februar	ry 2016			
14	02-Feb-16	3392	45	17	12-Feb-16	3718	49
15	05-Feb-16	5698	75	18	26-Feb-16	5387	71
16	10-Feb-16	6204	81				
	1	1	March	n 2016	1	1	1
20	05-Mar-16	4754	62	22	07-Mar-16	5004	66
			April	2016		-	•
24	07-Apr-16	6325	83	26	24-Apr-16	6121	80
			May	2016		•	•
27	01-May-16	5206	68	28	06-May-16	5282	69
	02-May-16	5010	66				
		1	June	2016		1	1
29	04-Jun-16	4015	53	33	14-Jun-16	2950	39
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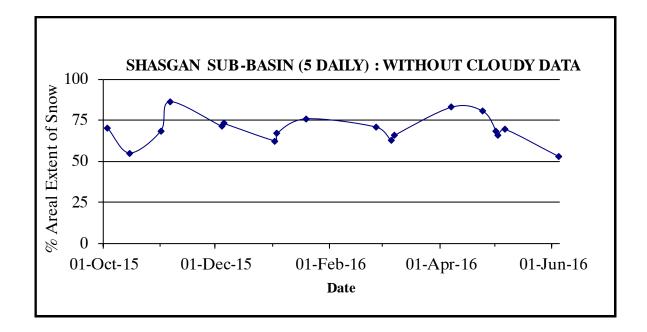
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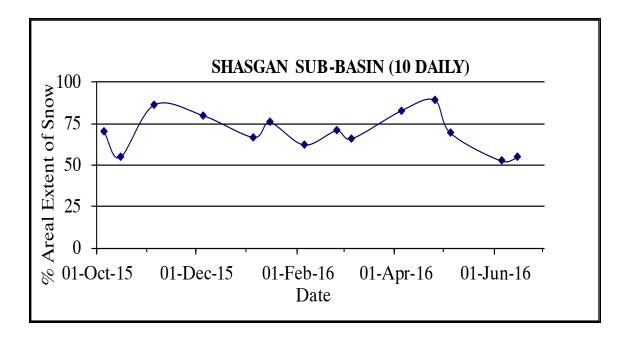
### **BASIN NAME: SHASGAN**

# BASIN AREA: 7613sq km

S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)	S No	Date	Snow cover (sq km)	Snow cover (%)		
October 2015					November 2015				
1	05-Oct-15	5360	70	3	05-Nov-15	6581	86		
2	15-Oct-15	4182	55						
December 2015					January 2016				
4	05-Dec-15	6091	80	5	05-Jan-16	5094	67		
				6	15-Jan-16	5775	76		
	February 2016			March 2016					
8	05-Feb-16	4746	62	11	05-Mar-16	4755	66		
9	25-Feb-16	5318	71						
April 2016				May 2016					
13	05-Apr-16	6324	83	15	05-May-16	5283	69		
14	25-Apr-16	6803	89						
	Ju	ne 2016							
17	05-Jun-2016	4015	53						
18	15-Jun-2016	4166	55						







# SNOW COVER MAP

