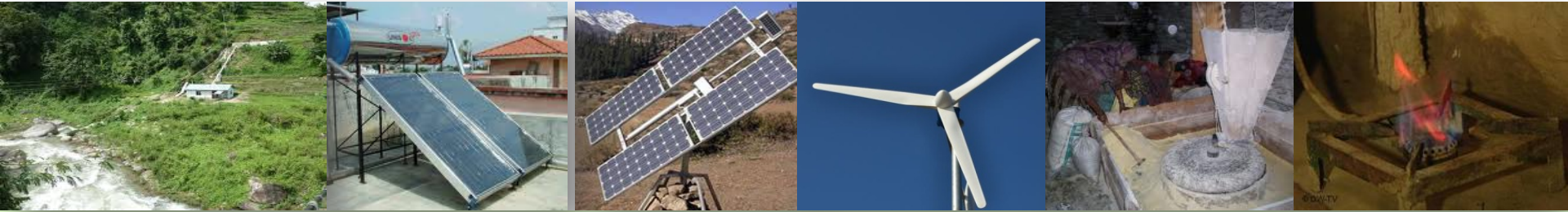
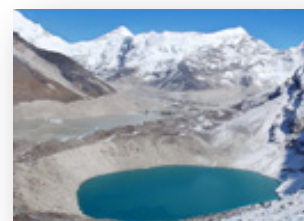
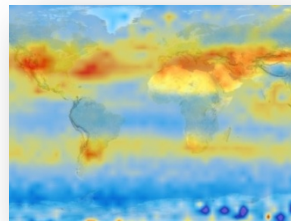
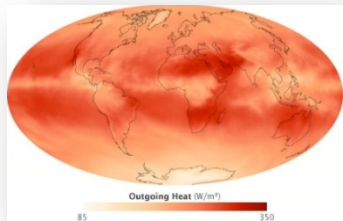


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# **Renewable Energy Technology and Climate Change Mitigation in Nepal**



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# NEPAL: Location, Area, and Population



**Land Area-147181 Sq km**

**Population~28 Million**

**Physiographic Division-3**

- **Mountain,**
- **Hills, and**
- **Terai**

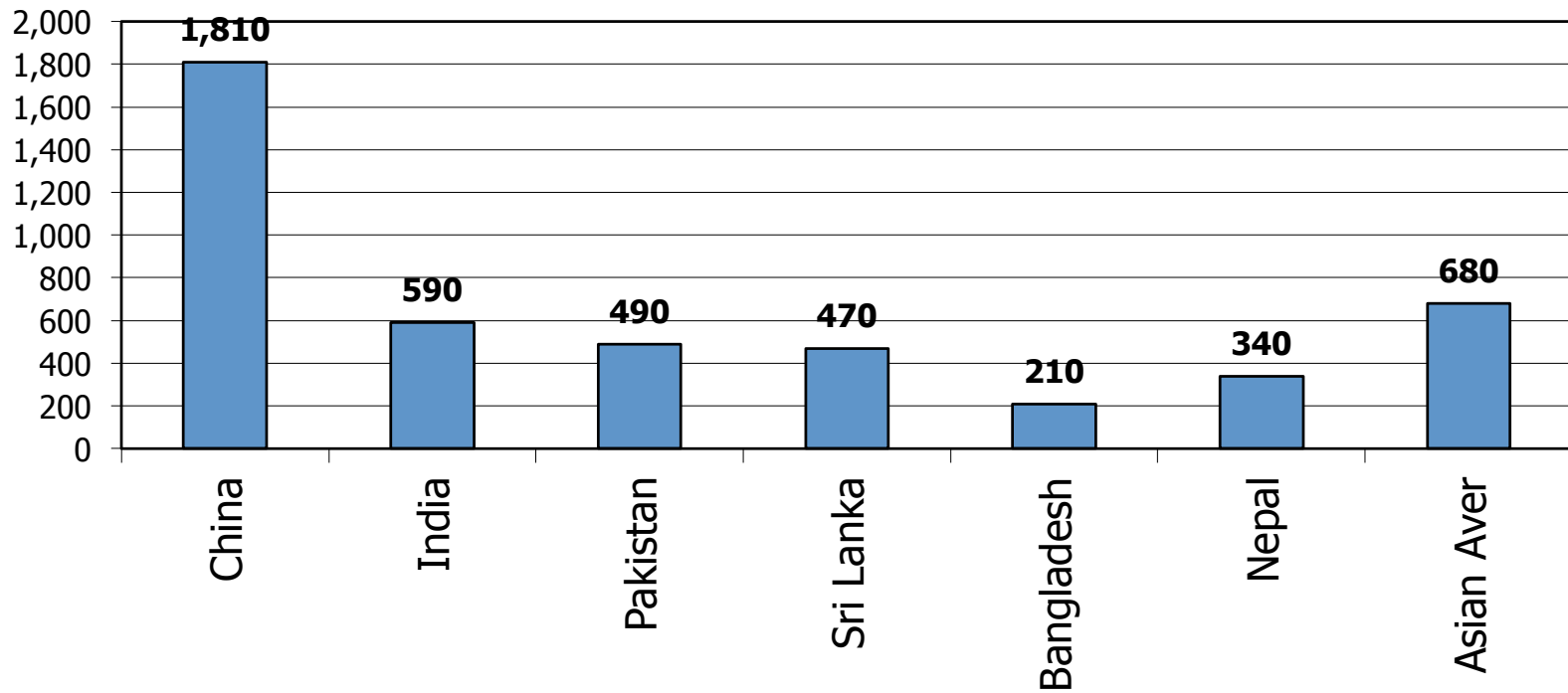
# OVERVIEW OF ENERGY SECTOR IN BASE YEAR 2010

**Current status of traditional and commercial  
energy consumption**

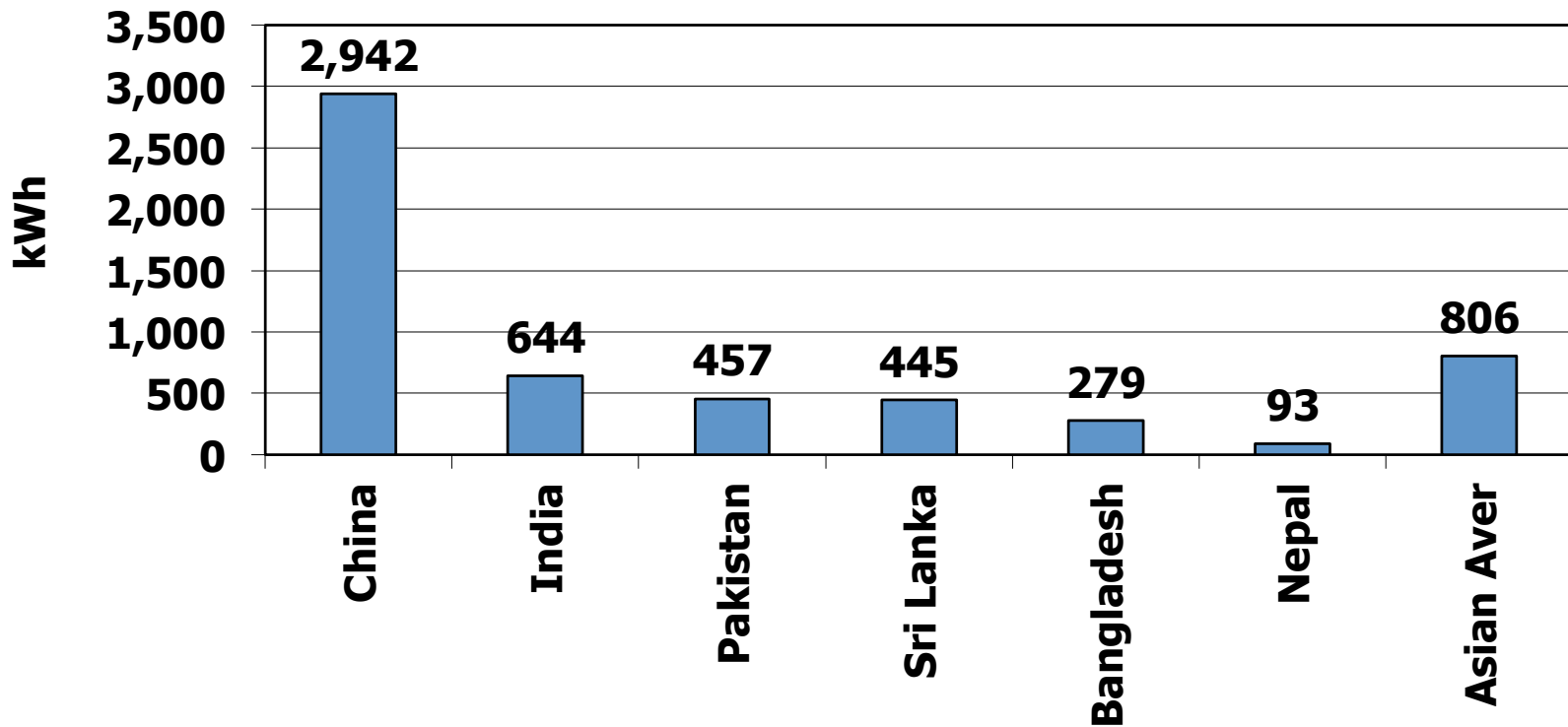
**Current status of power sector**



# Per Capita Primary Energy Supply in 2010 (kgoe)

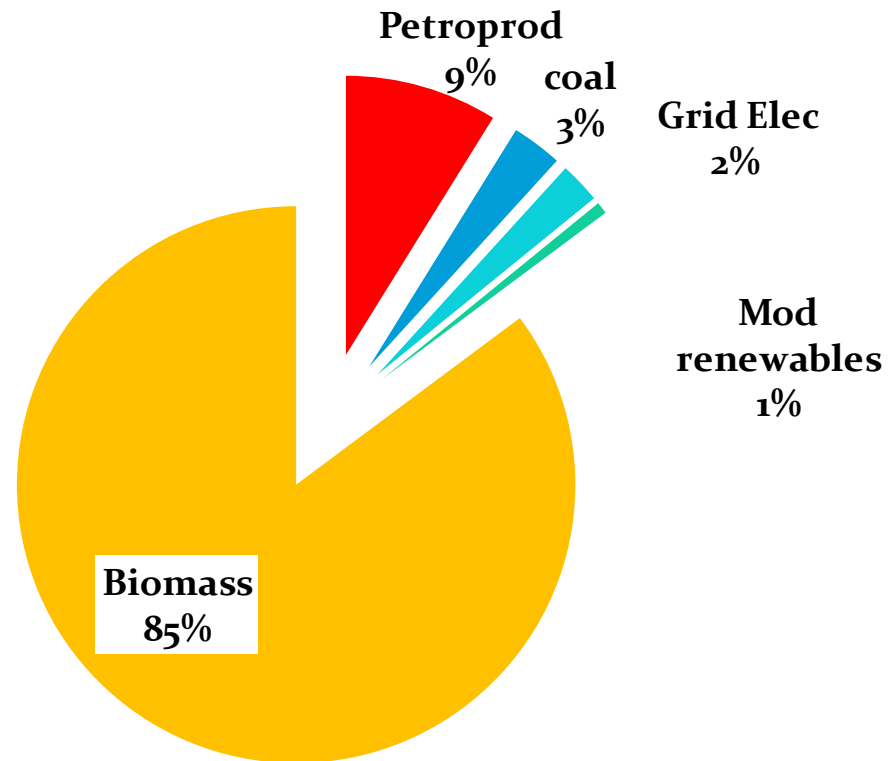


# Per Capita Electricity Consumption in 2010



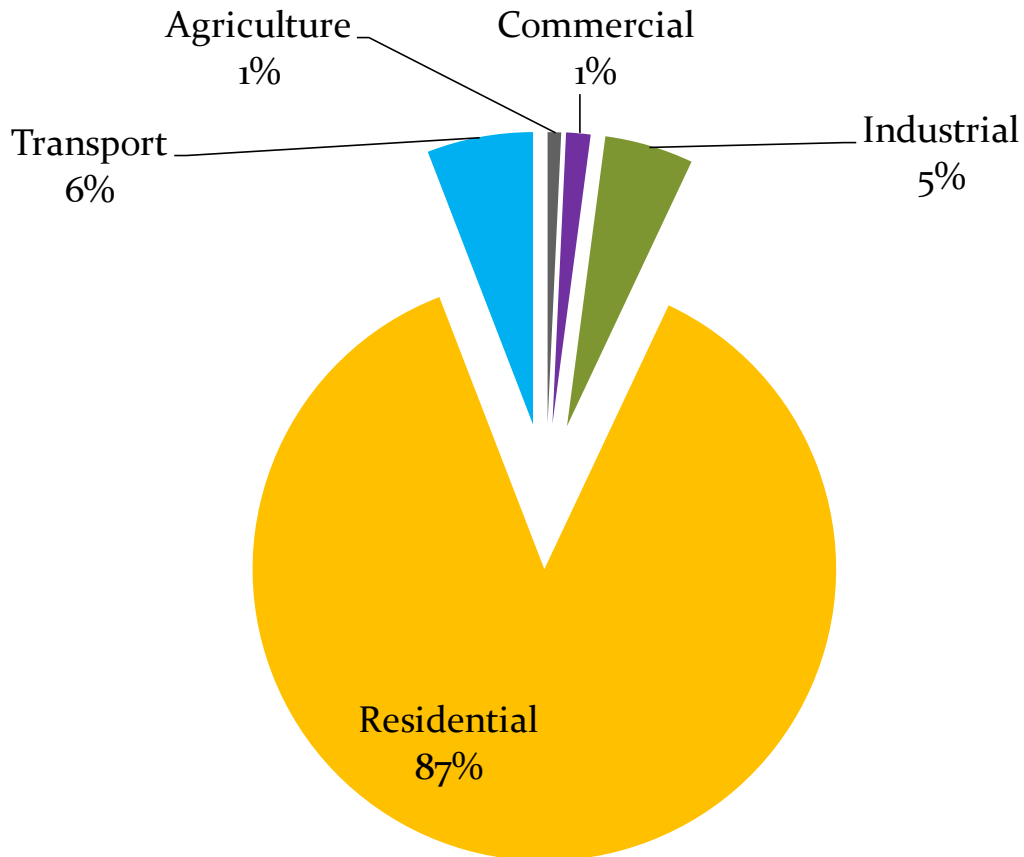
Key World Energy Statistics, IEA, 2012

# Overview of energy sector in the base year 2010



Mix by Fuel type in 2010 (MOF, 2012; WECS, 2010)

# Energy consumption by Economic Sectors in 2010

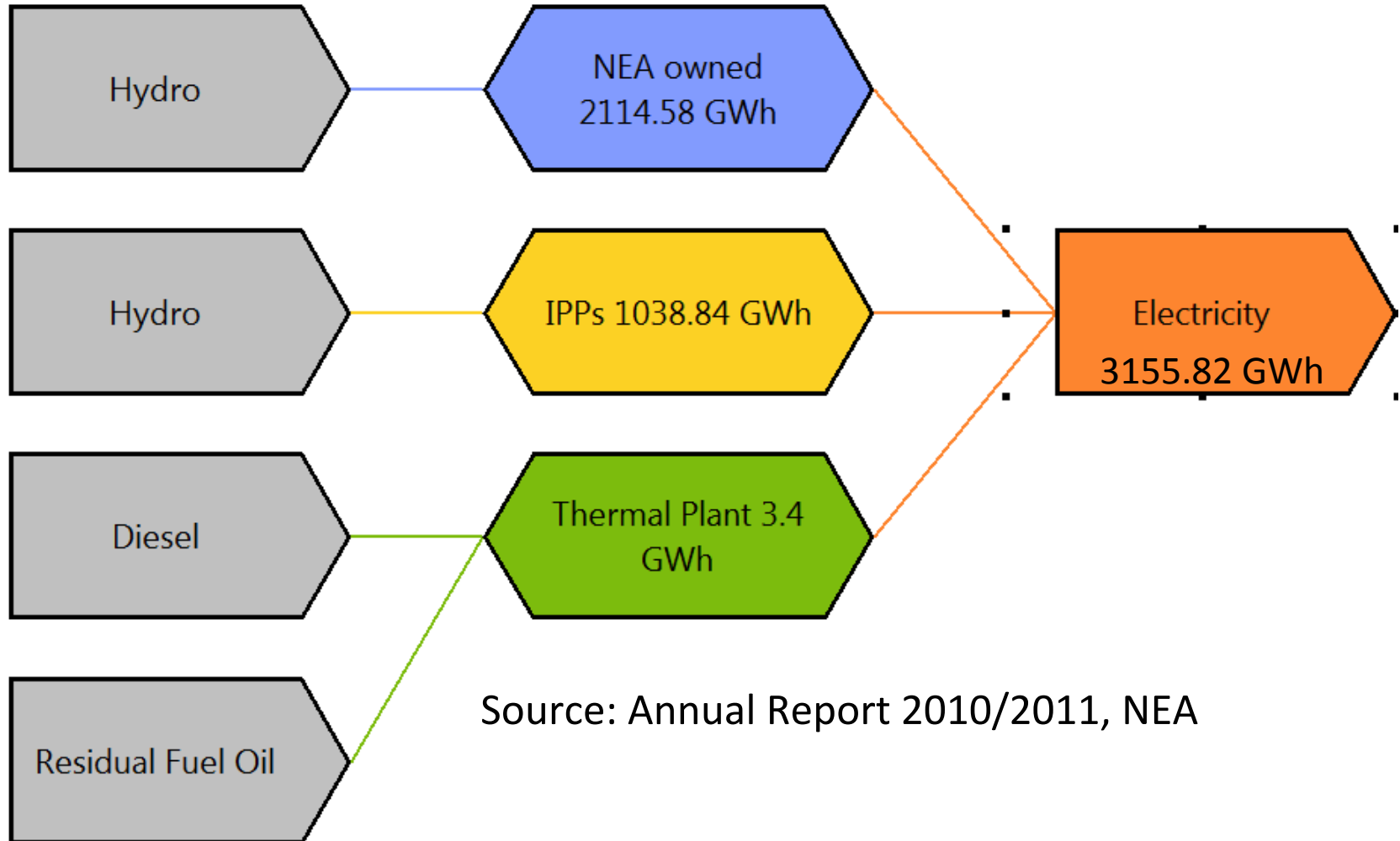


(MOF, 2012; WECS, 2010)

# **NEPAL'S POWER SECTOR AT A GLANCE**

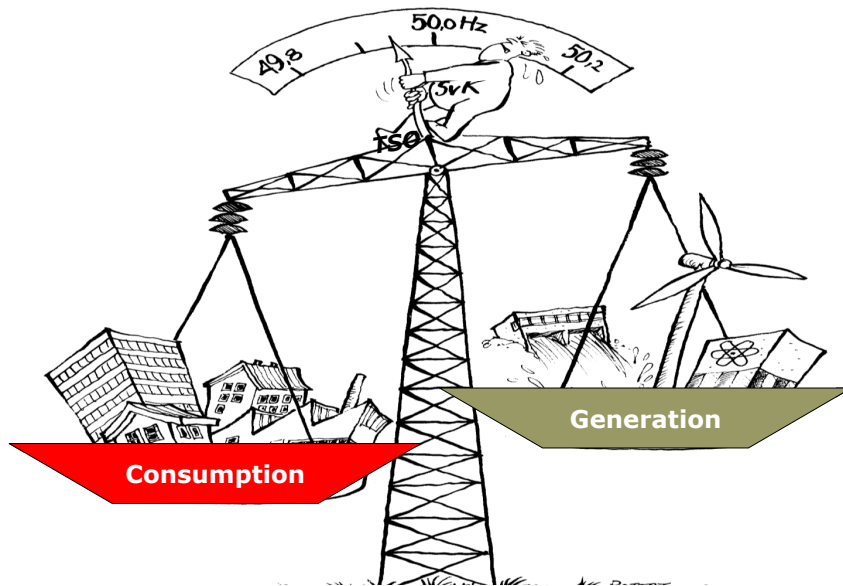


# Nepal's Power Sector Mix in 2010/11



Source: Annual Report 2010/2011, NEA

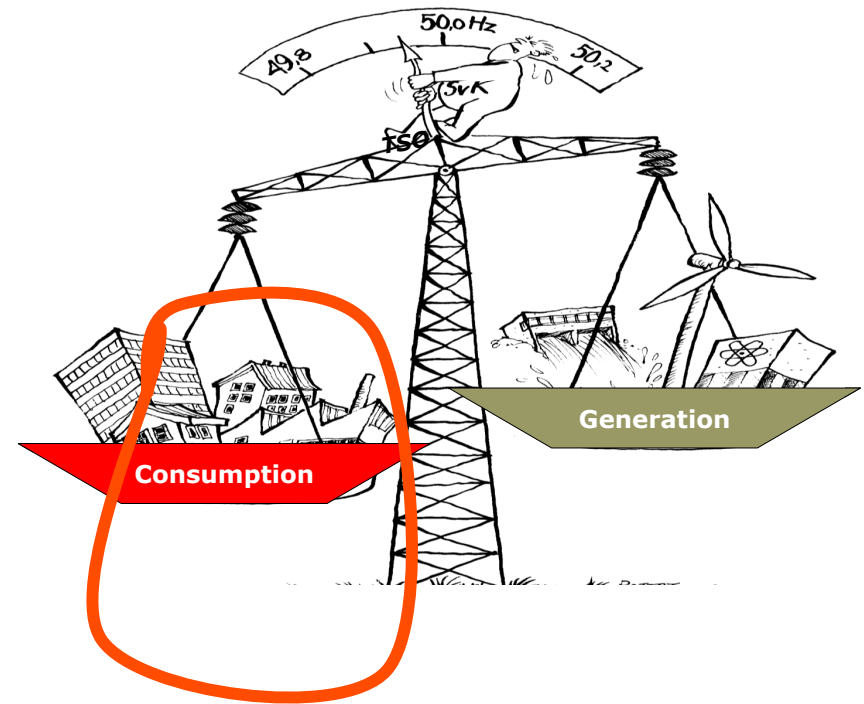
# Power System: A balance



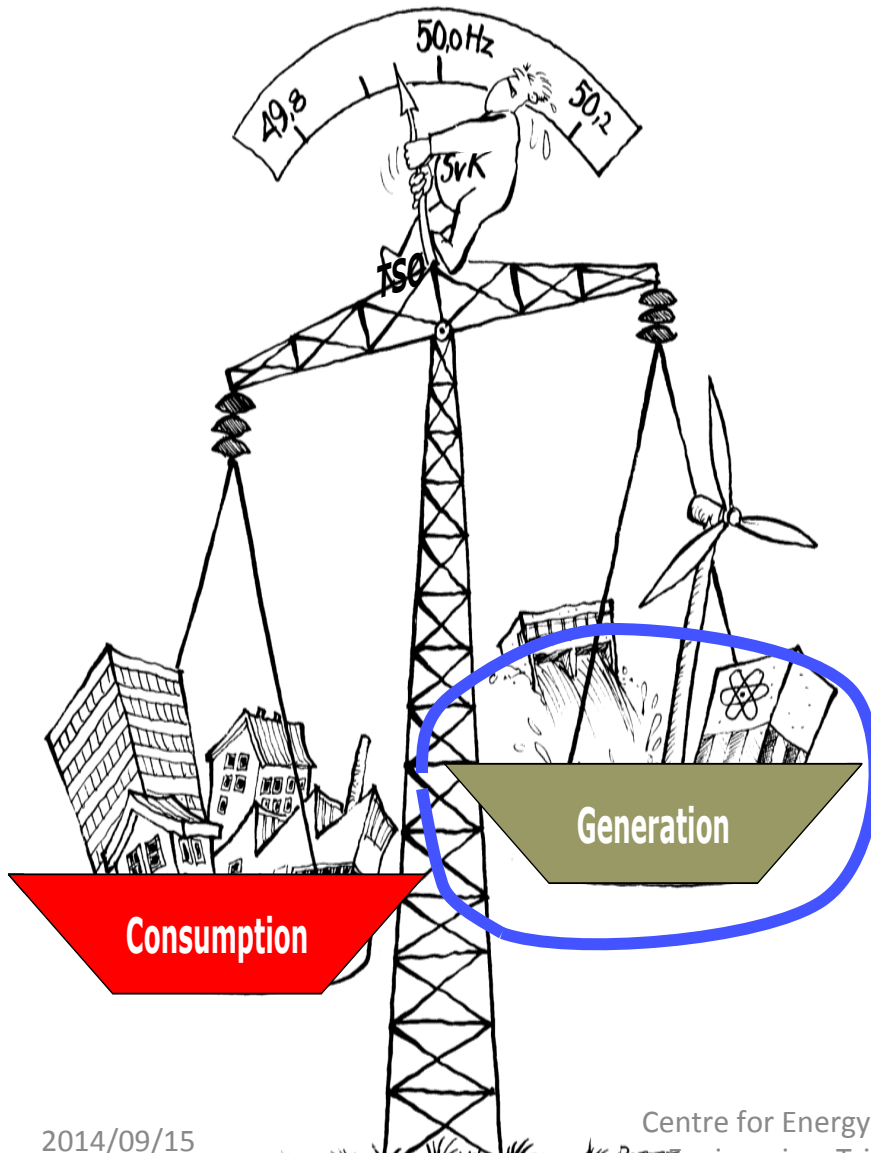
- **Like Balance**
- **Effort:** strike the balance
- **Unbalance:** frequency change
- **Severe unbalance:**
  - One of pans at ground
  - System collapse
- **To save from collapse:**
  - Some material thrown out
  - **load shedding**

# DEMAND: Source and Nature

- **Source: Human activity**
- **Varies with:**
  - Level of human activity
  - Role of motion of earth
- **Earth Motions**
  - Spin on polar axis:
    - Time of day variation
  - Rotation:
    - Seasonal



# SUPPLY: Sources and Nature

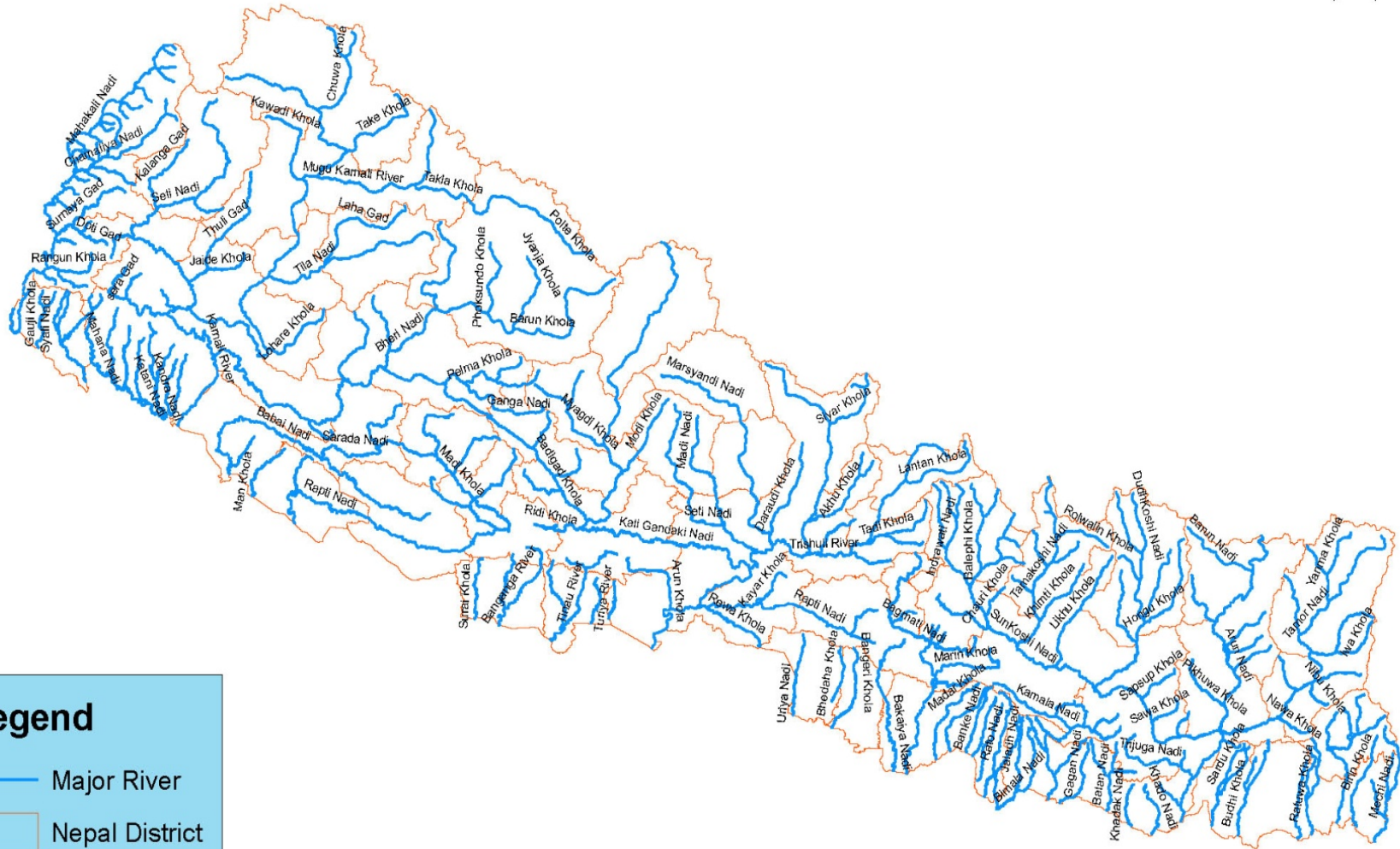


- **Sources**
  - ROR or PROR hydro
  - Seasonal storage hydro
  - Thermal Power plants
  - Import
- **Level of Supply varies**
  - Seasonal more apparent
- **Reason:**
  - Rivers snow fed & rain fed
  - Natural snow reservoir
  - Underground reservoir

# Nepal's Water Resources

- About 6,000 rivers, with a total length of about 45,000 km with an annual discharge of 200 billion cubic meters of water are available in the country
- The potential of hydro-power in Nepal is said to be about **83,000 MW**.
- So far only about 750 MW have been connected to peak load system, which constitute about 2% of total energy supply

# Major Rivers of Nepal

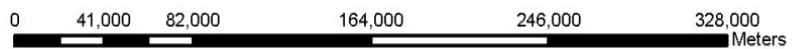
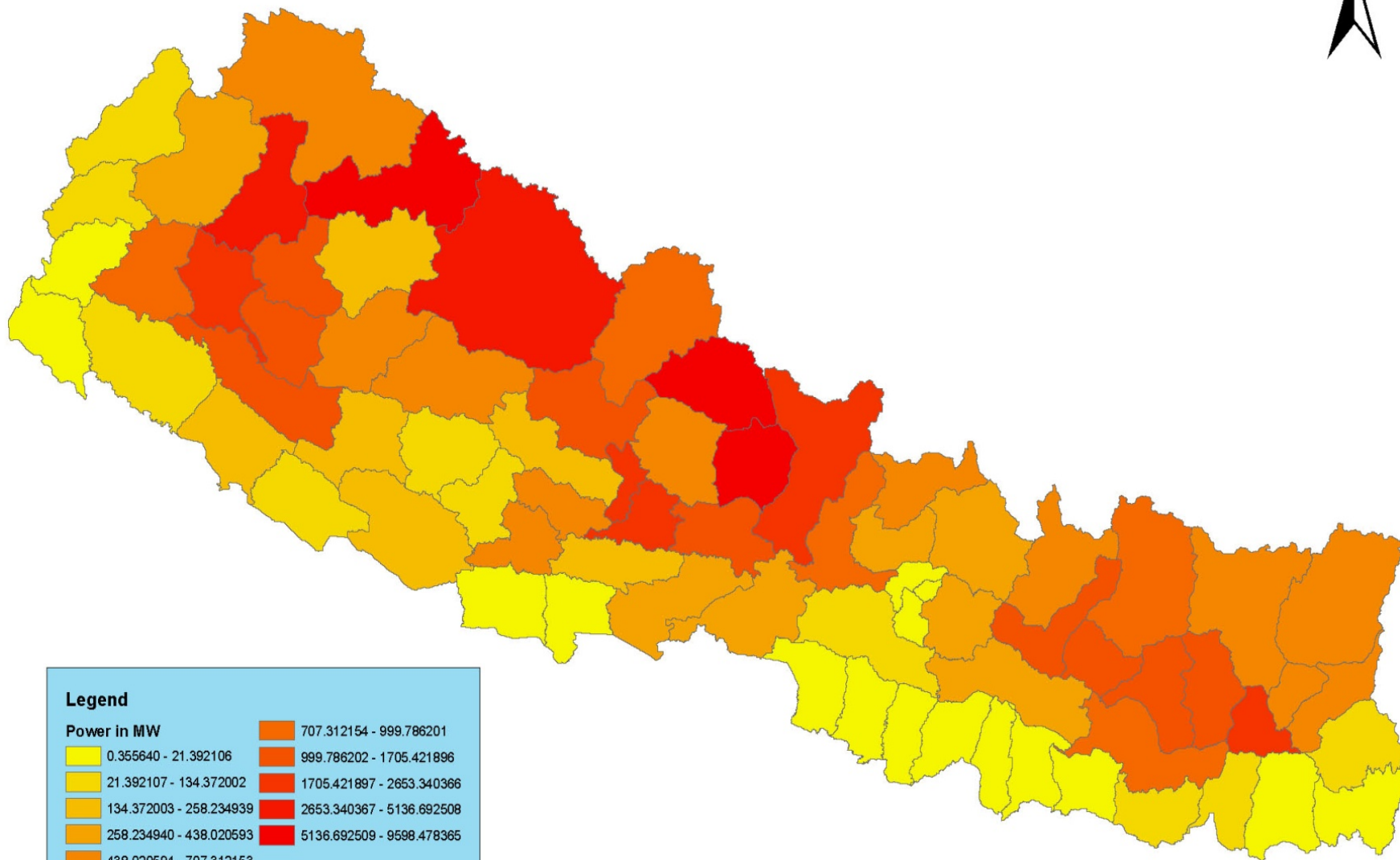


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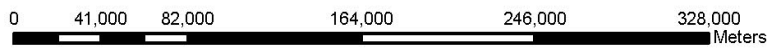
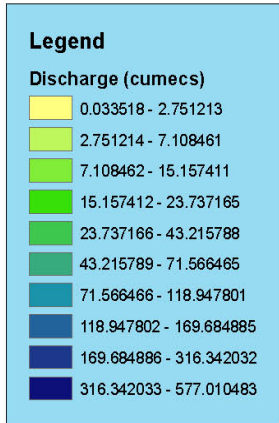
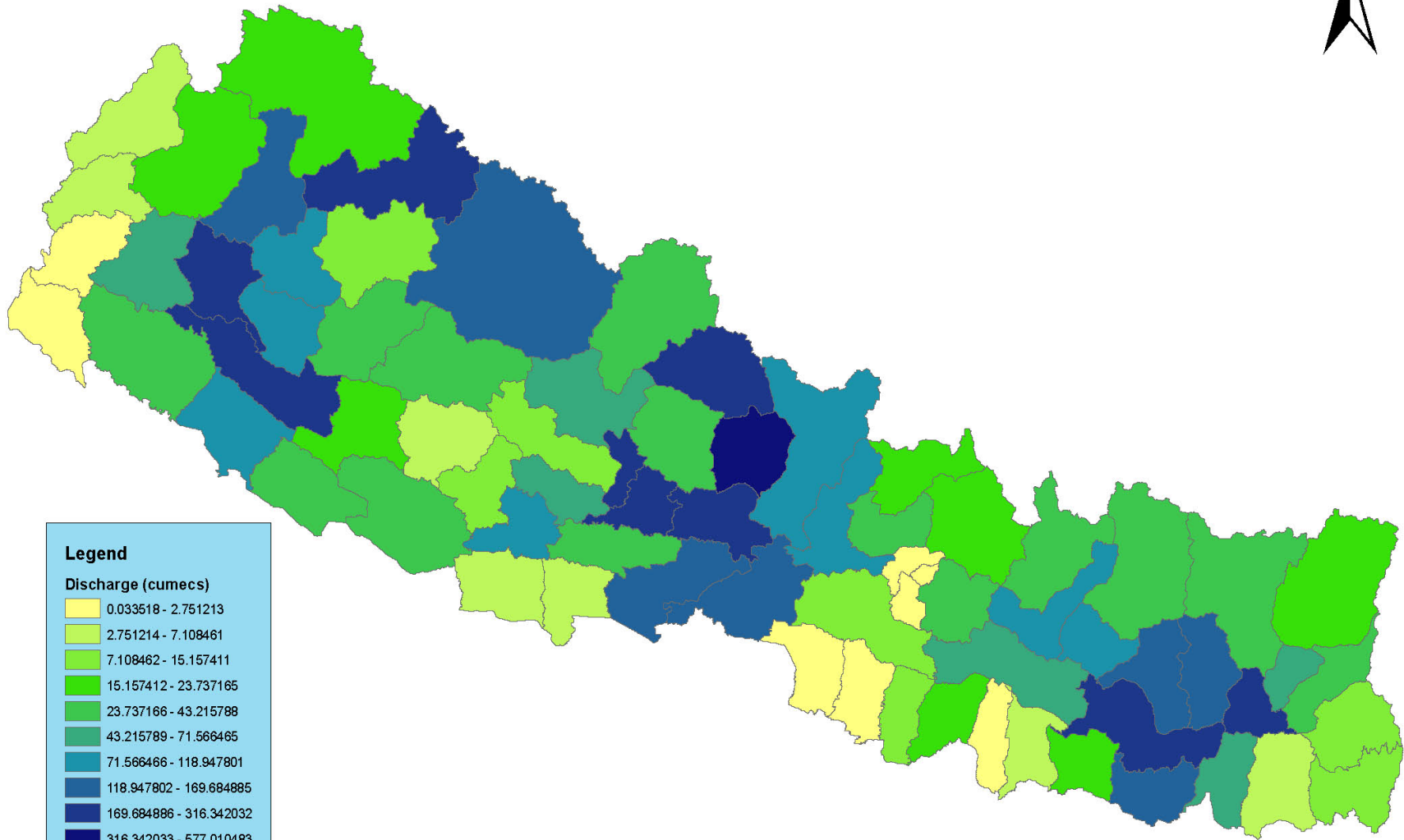
- Major River
- Nepal District



# District wise Relative Hydropower Potential of Nepal

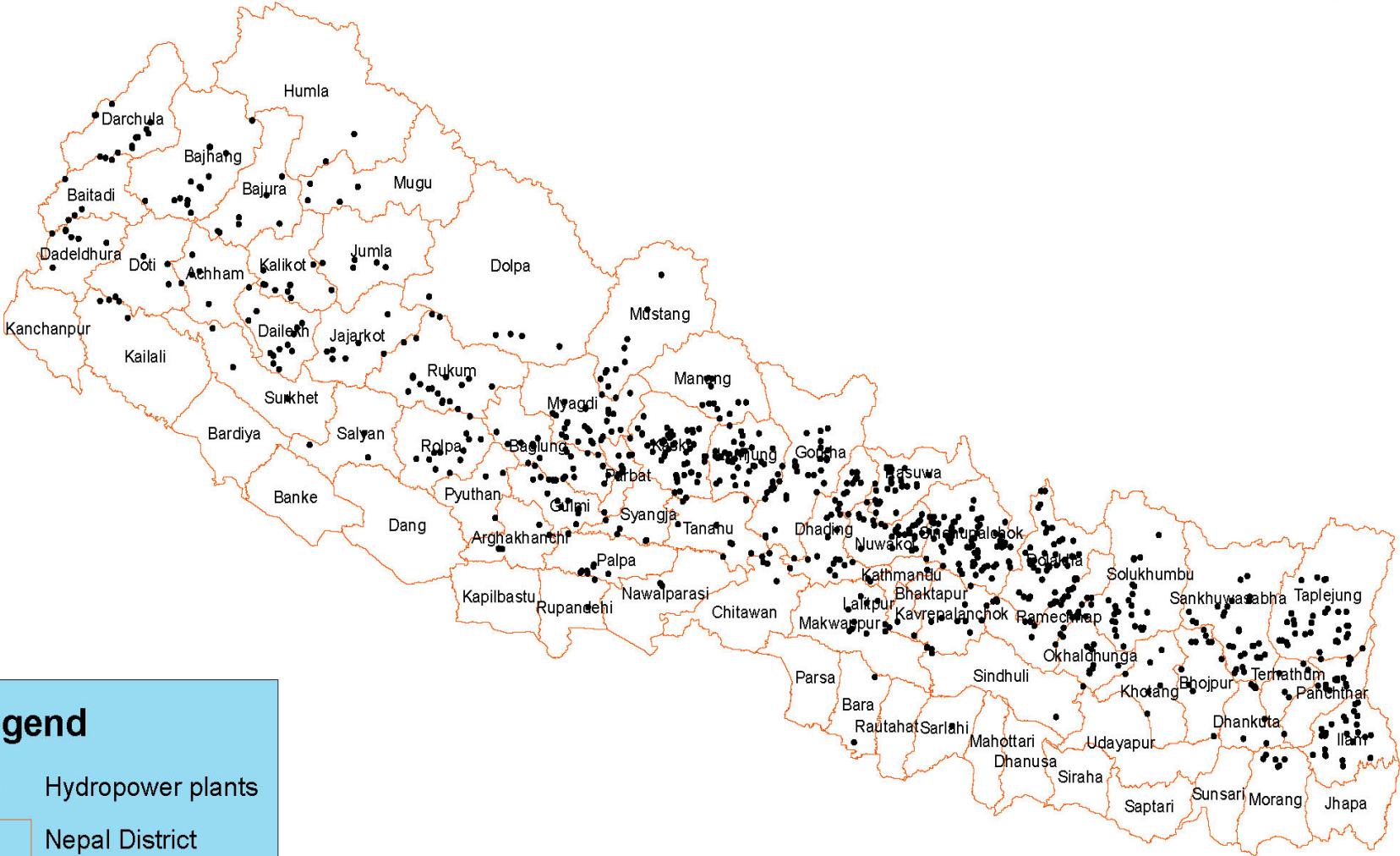


# District wise available discharge of Nepal



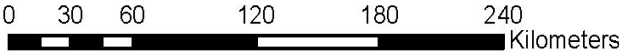


# Existing Hydropower Projects in Nepal

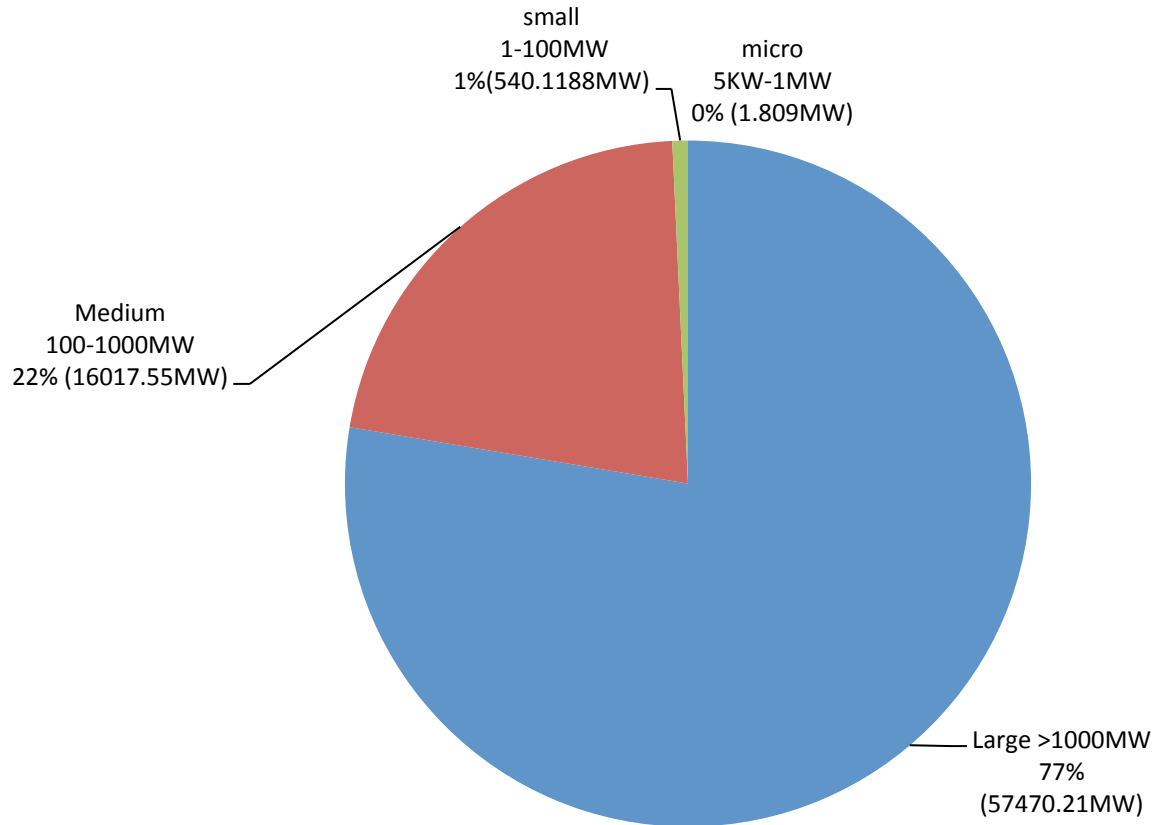


**Legend**

- Hydropower plants
- ▭ Nepal District



# Total Power Potential in Group



**Total Potential Power Production**

# Present Dry-season at a glance

- **Off peak**
  - Demand : 550 MW
  - Supply : 280 MW
  - Deficit ~ 50%
- **Evening Peak**
  - Demand: 1200 MW
  - Supply: 600 MW
  - Deficit ~ 50%
- **Morning Peak**
  - Demand: 610 MW
  - Supply : 310
  - Deficit ~ 50%
- Unequal distribution due to non synchronized grids will result in unequal load shedding.

# EVOLUTION OF ENERGY SECTOR IN NEPAL

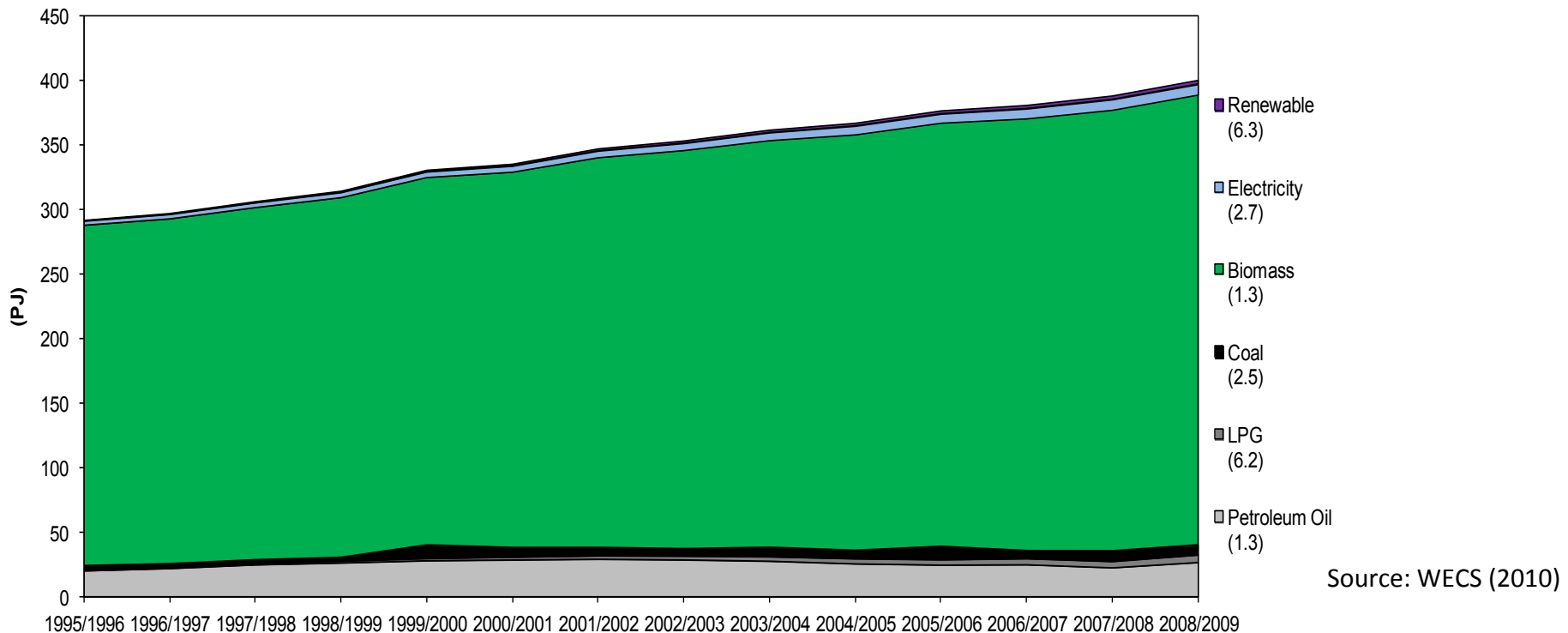
**Trend of Energy Consumption**

**Trend of Electricity Consumption**

**Trend of GHG Emission**

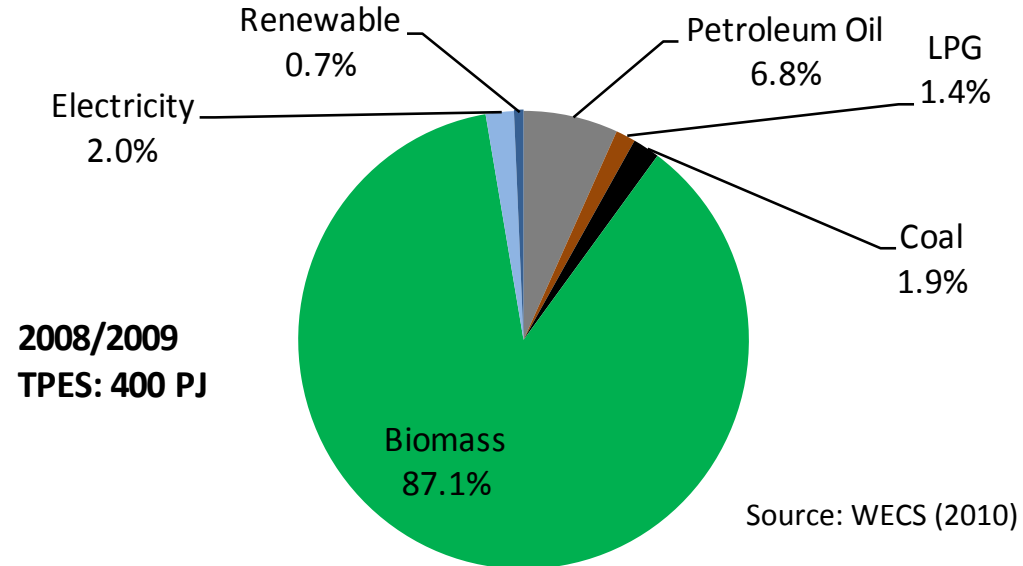
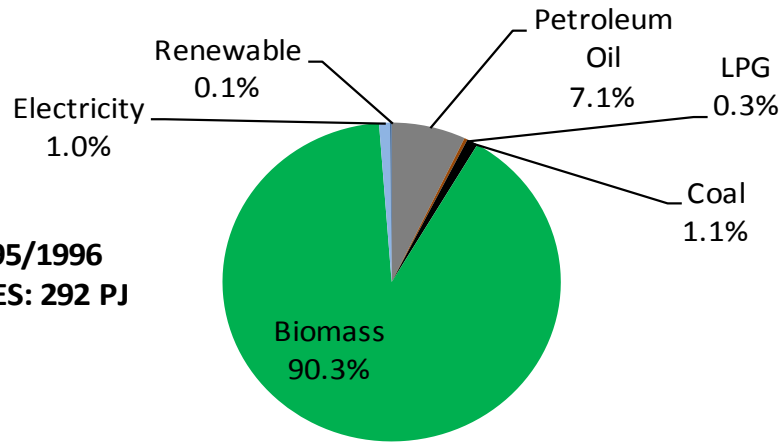


# Energy Consumption Trend in Nepal during 1995/1996 to 2008/2009, PJ



- **Total energy consumption in the country was about 292 Peta Joule (PJ) in 1995/96**
- **it increased at the growth rate of 2.46% (during 1995/96 to 2008/09)**
- **use of fossil fuels consisting of petroleum products, LPG and coal has increased at the growth rate of 3.93% mostly due to rapid increase in LPG consumption**
- **electricity mostly from hydropower increase by 7.82%**
- **other renewable excluding hydro and traditional biomass grows by 15.19%**

# Sectoral Energy Consumption Mix in Nepal during 1995/1996 to 2008/2009, PJ

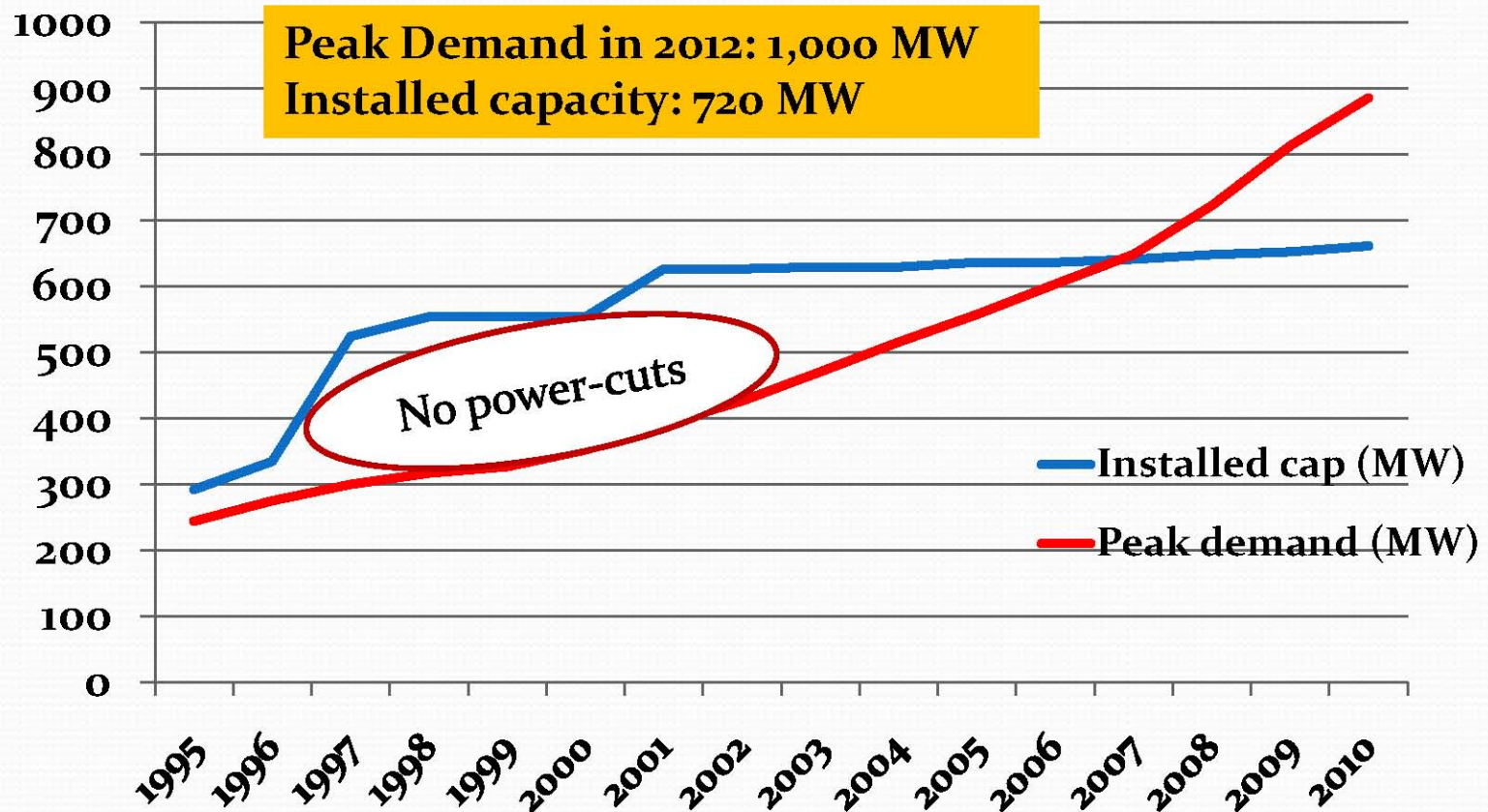


Source: WECS (2010)

- Share of the residential sector shows decrease from 91.7% in 1995/1996 to 89.1% in 2008/2009
- Share of industrial sector shows decrease from 4% to 3.3%, whereas the share of the transport and commercial sectors indicates increase from 3% to 5.2% and 1% to 1.3% respectively
- Share of agriculture and other sectors shows increase from 0.2% to 0.9% and 0.1% to 0.2% respectively during 1995/1996 to 2008/2009.

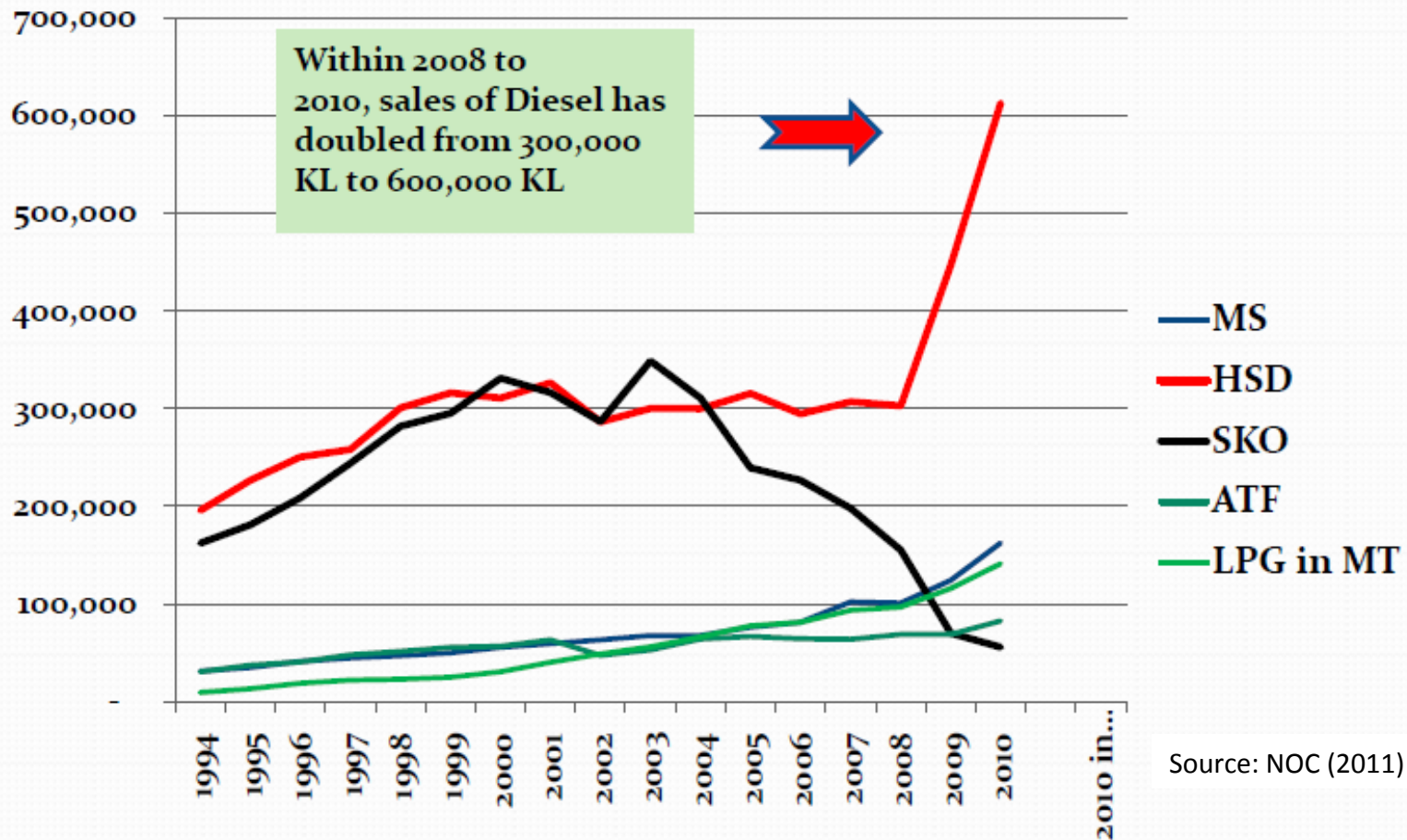
# Power Capacity versus peak load

## Power capacity development: historical trend



Source: NEA (2012)

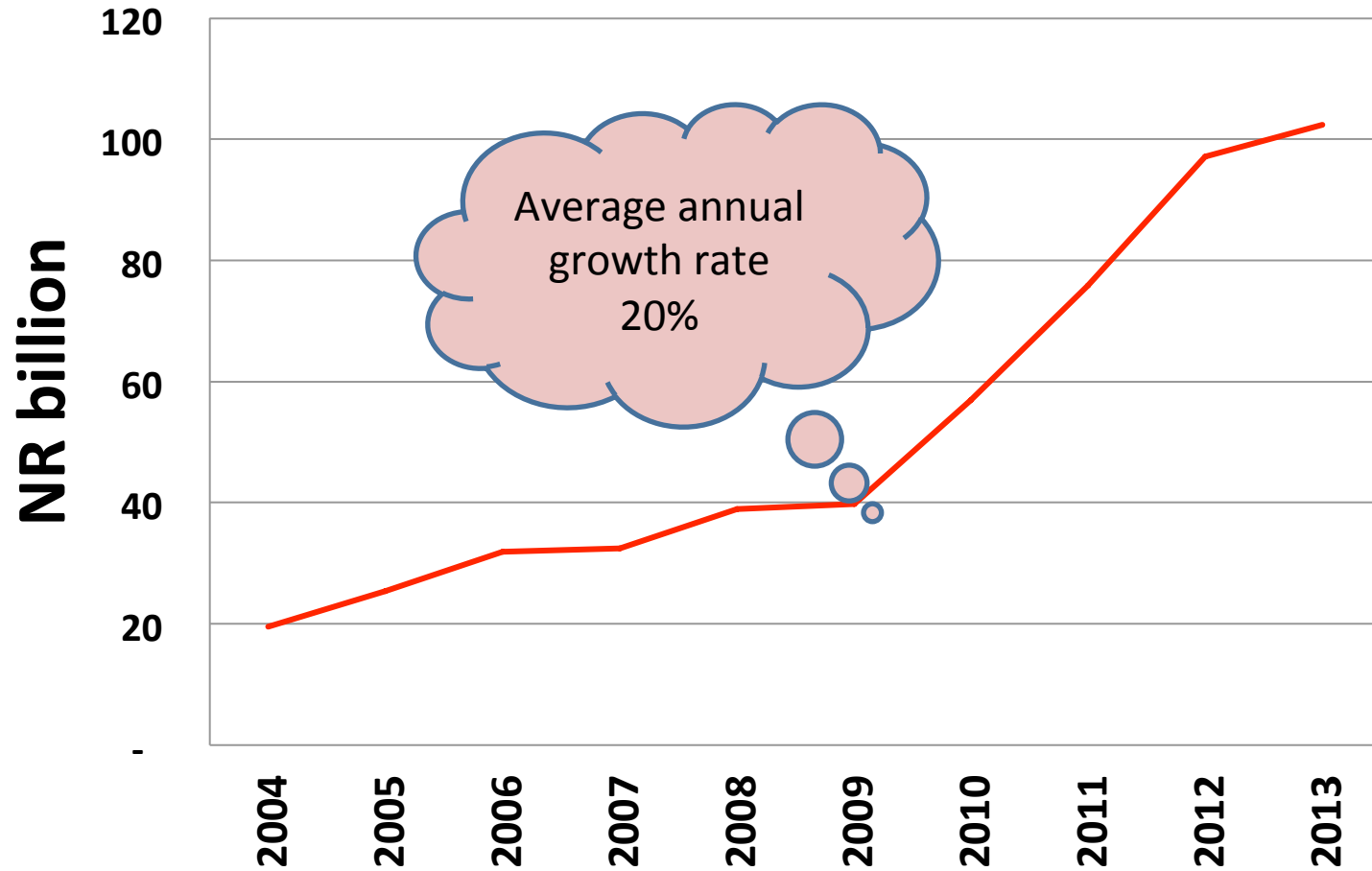
# Sales of Petroleum Products from 1994 to 2010



- **Unsustainable increase of diesel fuel (gen set) between 2008 – 2010 due to load shedding**



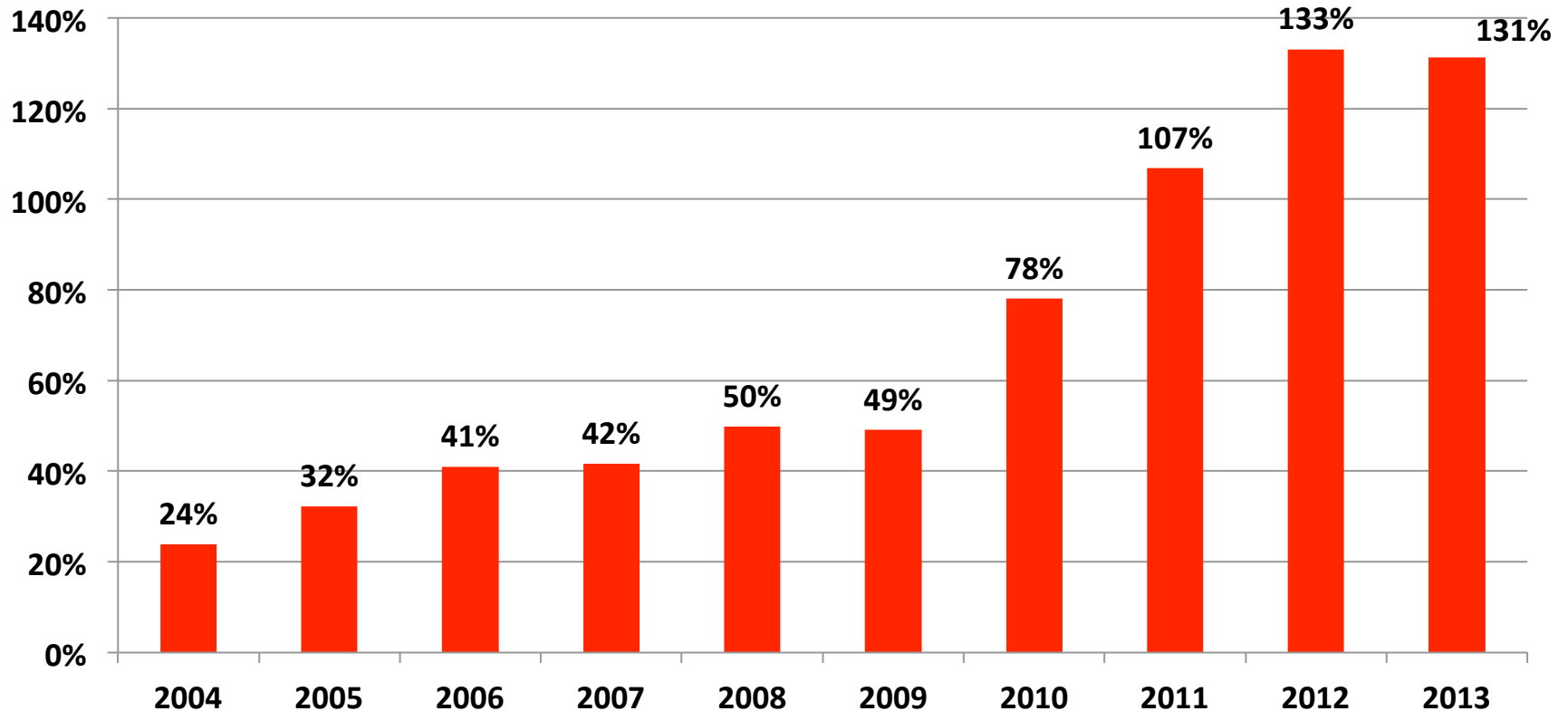
# Petroleum Products Imports



Source: NOC (2014)

# Economic burden from imported Fossil Fuels

## Import of Petroleum Products against Commodity Exports

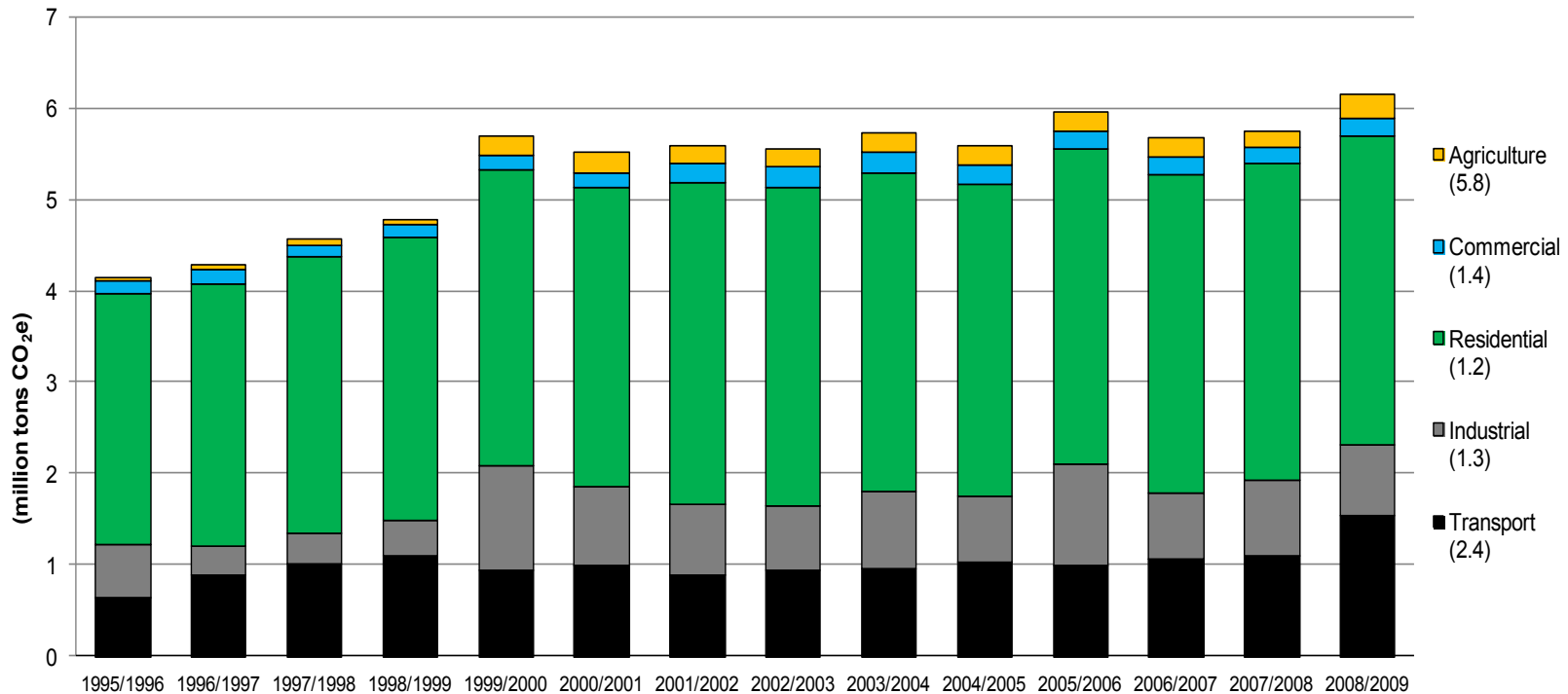


- **Economic Vulnerability increasing**

(Source: MOF, 2013; NOC, 2014)

# **GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSION OF NEPAL**

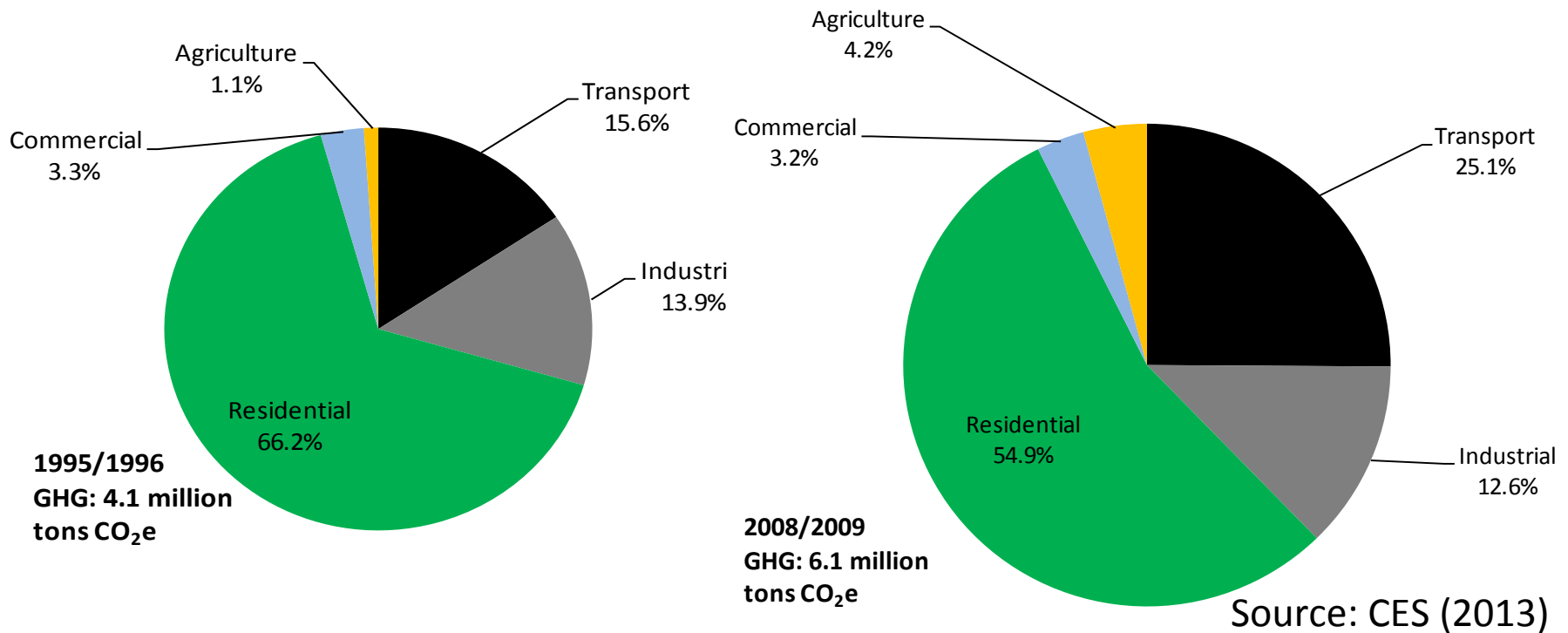
# Trend of GHG Emissions during 1995/1996 to 2008/2009, million tons CO<sub>2</sub>e



Source: CES (2013)

- GHG emissions from energy use has increase by 48.3% from 4.1 million tons CO<sub>2</sub>e (i.e., CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) in 1995/1996 to 6.1 million tons CO<sub>2</sub>e in 2008/2009
- The per capita GHG emission increases from 0.20 ton CO<sub>2</sub>e/capita in 2005 to 0.24 ton CO<sub>2</sub>e/capita in 2030.

# Sector wise GHG Emissions during 1995/1996 to 2008/2009, million tons CO<sub>2</sub>e



- In 1995/1996, residential sector dominates in the share of GHG emission with over 66.2%, followed by transport sector with 15.6% share and industrial sector with 13.9% share.
- However, sectoral contribution of GHG emission changes significantly in 2008/2009, with residential sector constituting 54.9%, transport sector consisting of 25.1% and Industrial sector constituting 12.6%.

# **RENEWABLE ENERGY , GHG MITIGATION POTENTIAL AND COST IN NEPAL**

# Renewable Energy Potential and Progress in Nepal



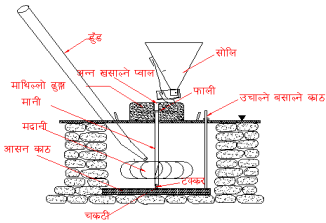
Micro-hydro (Potential 100MW & Progress- 0.13million hhs:13MW)



HHs Biogas (Potential 1.1 million & Progress-0.22 million hhs)



Wind (Potential 3000MW & Progress-Pilot projects)



IWM (Potential 25,000 & Progress-0.2million hhs:6200Systems)



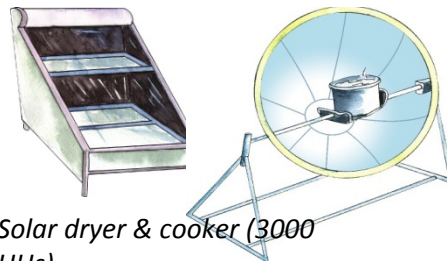
ICS (Potential 2500,000 & Progress-400,000 hhs)



Biofuel (Potential 1100,000 tons & Progress-



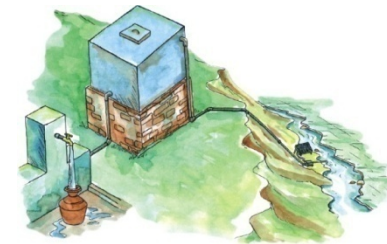
SHS (Potential 4.5 kWh/m2/day & Progress-0.2 million hhs)



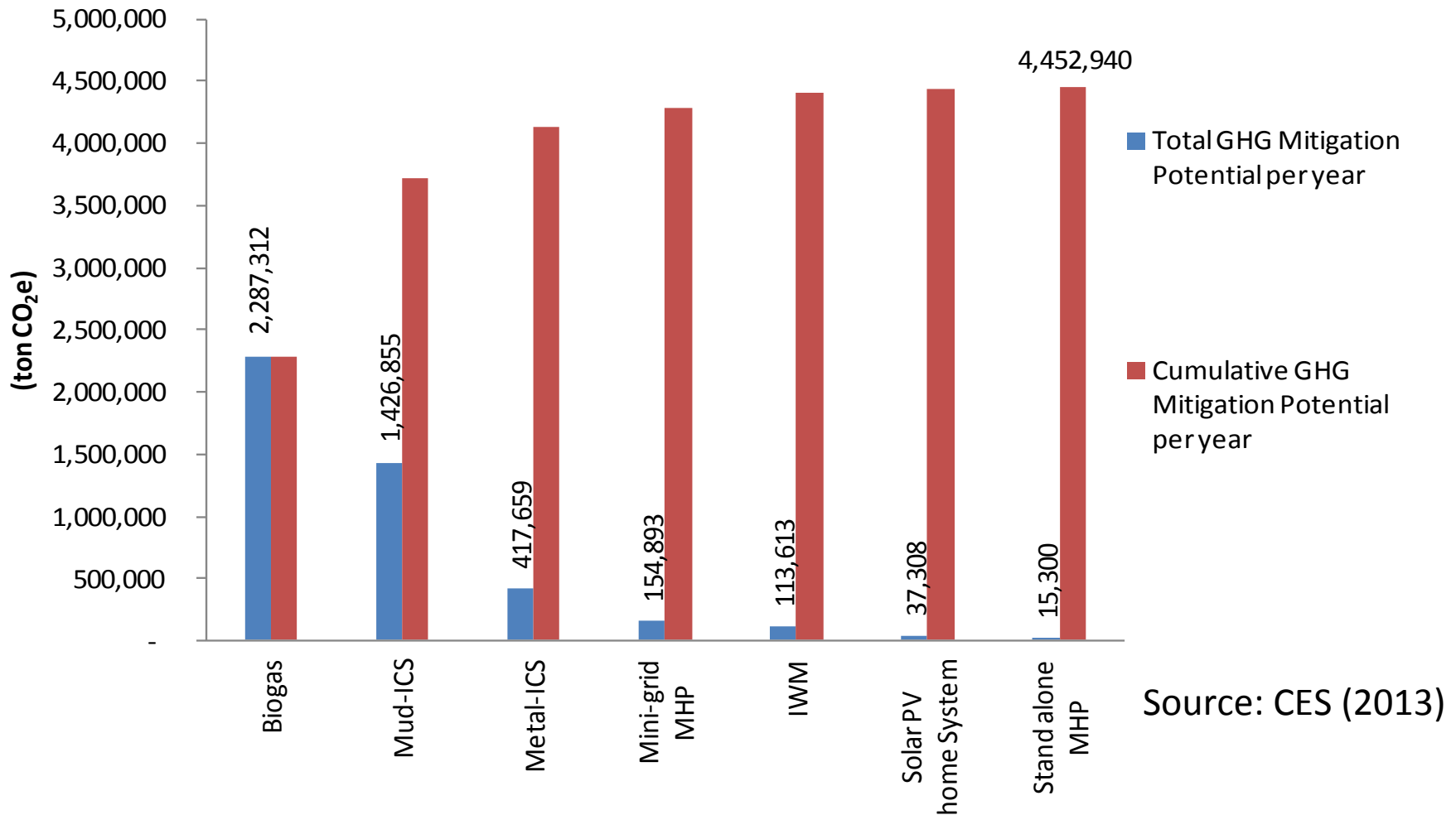
Solar dryer & cooker (3000 HHs)



Institutional Solar System/Solar water pumping (200, 000 HHs)



# Theoretical GHG Mitigation Potential of RET in Nepal, ton CO<sub>2</sub>e



- **4.45 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e of the GHG emission can be mitigated per year if all the remaining technical potential of deploying seven major RET options consisting of biogas, improved water mill, stand-alone micro-hydro plants, mini-grid micro-hydro plants, solar PV home systems, ICSs were installed after 2012.**

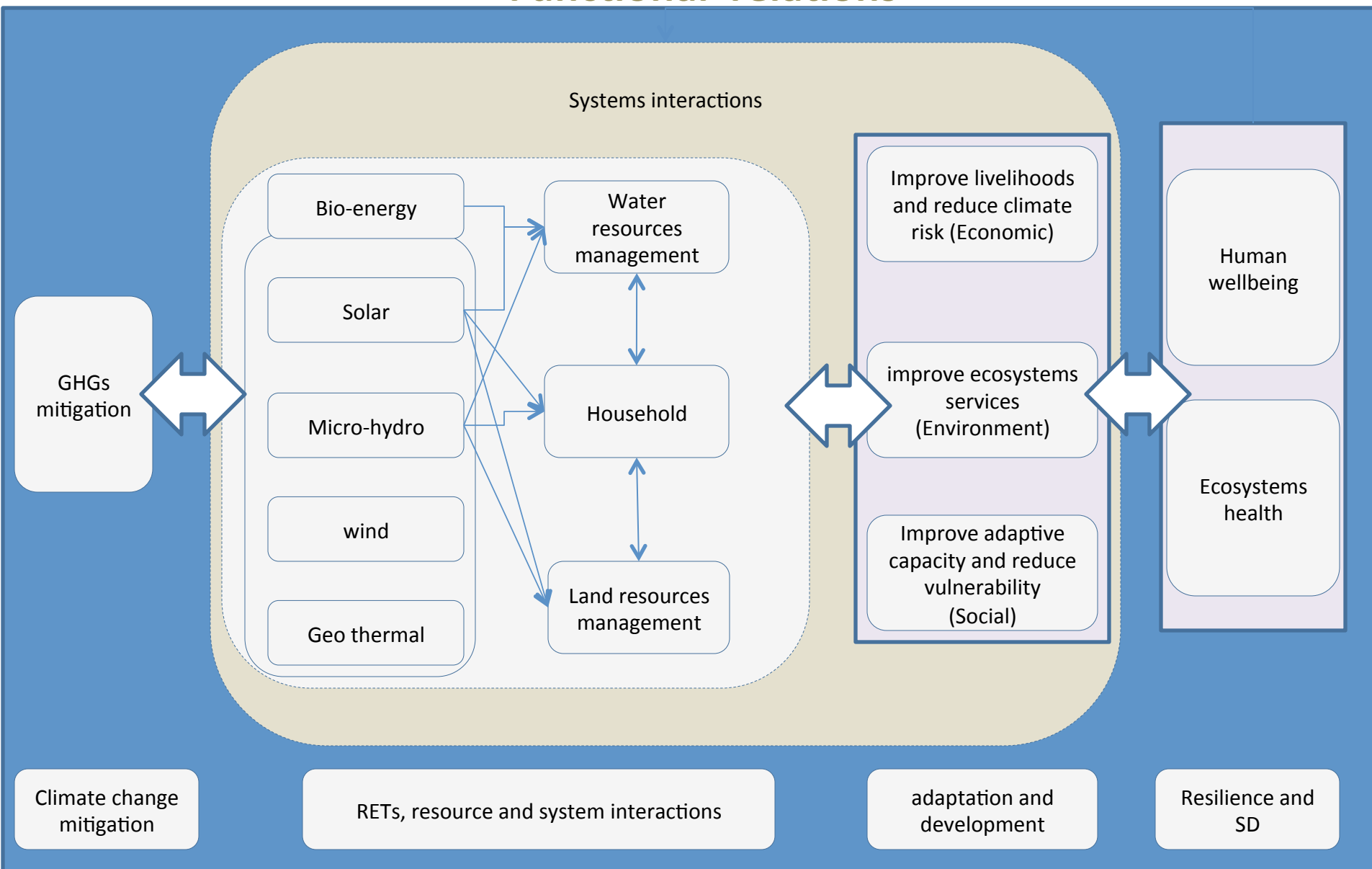


# Techno-economic GHG Mitigation Potential based on existing infrastructure of RET in Nepal, ton CO<sub>2</sub>e

RET	Capacity/ unit	Average Installation per year	2013	2017	2020	2025	2030	Cumulative GHG Mitigation Potential (2013-2030)
Biogas	6 m3 unit	19932	55,412	277,059	443,295	720,355	997,414	9,475,433
Mud-ICS	two pot hole family size unit	59906	113,699	568,494	909,590	1,426,855	1,426,855	17,429,631
Metal-ICS	two pot hole family size unit	2549	7,256	36,280	58,047	94,327	130,606	1,240,761
MHP-Stand alone	per kW	291	653	3,264	5,223	8,487	11,752	111,642
MHP-Mini grid	per kW	2325	5,423	27,116	43,386	70,502	97,618	927,370
IWM	per kW	1079	5,385	26,924	43,078	70,002	96,925	920,789
Solar PV home system	35 watt peak unit	48313	8,348	37,308	37,308	37,308	37,308	605,797
<b>Total</b>			<b>196,176</b>	<b>976,445</b>	<b>1,539,927</b>	<b>2,427,835</b>	<b>2,798,478</b>	<b>30,711,424</b>

- **30.7 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e of the cumulative GHG emission reduction during 2013 to 2030 from seven major RET options installed after 2012.**

# RETs, Mitigation, adaptation and development – Functional relations



Source: various sources and researcher's analysis

# Conclusion

- There is a strong relationship between energy and development.
- The development must be sustainable because there is undeniable symbiosis that binds energy and climate change together. These are two sides of the same coin.
- Through clean and renewable energy technologies a significant contribution can be made to reduce the climate change impact of nations.
- Use of renewable energy must be up-scaled.

# Climate Resilient Energy Planning

- Necessary to target measures for bringing change in energy generation and use.
- Vulnerability can be addressed through legal and policy measures and subsidies can help vulnerable groups to adopt new technologies.
- Resilience can be increased through alternative energy, energy-based livelihood enhancement and access to markets.
- Adaptive capacity can be enhanced through exposure to technology, increased awareness, knowledge sharing and networking.

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