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Income Smoothing, Risk Diversification and Cyclone Damage in India

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 - ▶ Economic development
 - ▶ Population growth in risky areas
 - ▶ Climate change (Emanuel 1995, 2005)

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And more generally,

- ▶ Does living in a disaster-prone area translate into a long-run growth disadvantage?

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- ▶ [Literature on choice under uncertainty - does not seem that relevant in this case]

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- ▶ There are two main cropping seasons in India (excluding Tamil Nadu)
 - ▶ Kharif crops are sown in spring & harvested in autumn
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 - ▶ Two season crops have varieties that can be grown in both seasons

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If the farmer has incomplete information I about the event probabilities, she will maximize expected profits

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 - ▶ To estimate effect on expectation use cyclone exposure of neighboring districts
 - ▶ This is **ONLY** valid, if can show that neighboring districts do not affect local markets through prices

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- ▶ Dummy for Rabi season $\text{rabi}_{t,t+1} = 1$ if cyclone in year t occurs in month $m = [9, 12]$ or cyclone in year $t = +1$ occurs in month $m = [1, 3]$, $= 0$ otherwise

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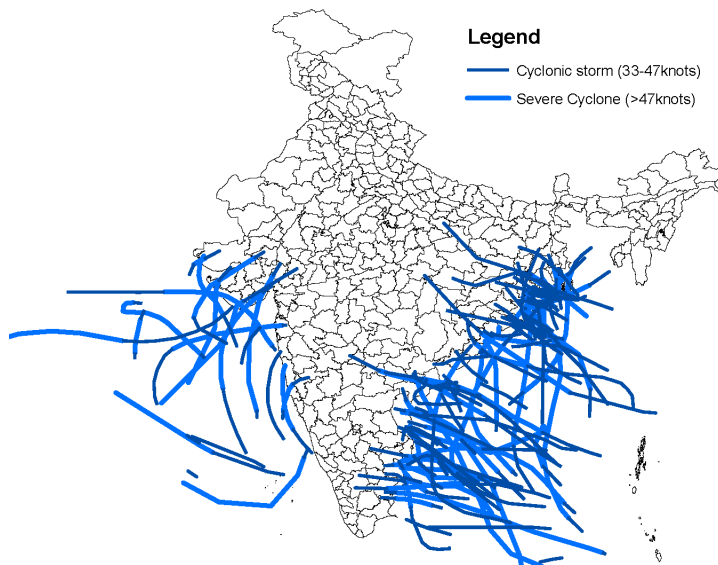
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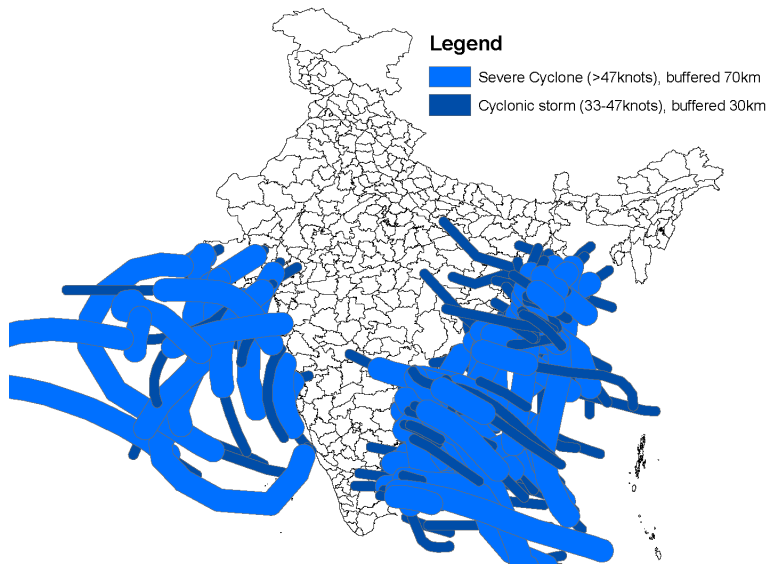
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| Kharif crop | | Rabi crop | | Two season crop | |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
| major crop | minor crop | major crop | minor crop | major crop | minor crop |
| bajra | cotton | wheat | barley | jowar | other pulses |
| maize | groundnut | | gram | rice | soy |
| | sesame | | jute | sugar | sunflowers |
| | tobacco | | potato | | |
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 - ▶ Calculate mean temperature & precipitation at the district level for each month & year
 - ▶ Calculate % deviation of the district-level weather variable from the district mean 1956-1988

Summary statistics: main outcome variables (year=1956)

| | total (MM) | rev (MM) | rev 6 major (MM) | rev kharif (MM) | rev. rabi (MM) | rev both (MM) |
|-------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| mean coast | 800.61 | 680.35 | 123.99 | 24.00 | 652.63 | |
| sd coast | 638.22 | 610.26 | 180.82 | 33.94 | 631.23 | |
| mean inland | 530.43 | 371.33 | 100.88 | 139.77 | 289.78 | |
| sd inland | 342.66 | 291.67 | 115.99 | 165.31 | 301.33 | |
| mean total | 553.36 | 397.55 | 102.84 | 129.95 | 320.58 | |
| sd total | 382.48 | 340.02 | 122.53 | 161.67 | 354.67 | |
| | agri (1000) | L cult (1000) | fertilizer (tons) | tractors | bullocks (1000) | |
| mean coast | 87.49 | 205.17 | 852 | 208.28 | 30.96 | |
| sd coast | 77.29 | 134.54 | 1159.55 | 139.53 | 33.21 | |
| mean inland | 56.60 | 212.667 | 336.57 | 206.37 | 62.61 | |
| sd inland | 53.08 | 132.51 | 574.64 | 120.34 | 110.76 | |
| mean total | 59.22 | 212.03 | 380.32 | 206.53 | 59.92 | |
| sd total | 56.02 | 132.45 | 657.54 | 121.80 | 106.73 | |

Summary statistics: cyclone variables (1946-1986)

| | mean | sd | min | max |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|-----|-------|
| % affected coast | 6.63 | 19.84 | 0 | 100 |
| % affected inland | .081 | 6.69 | 0 | 100 |
| % affected total | 1.31 | 8.77 | 0 | 100 |
| prob cyclone hit coast | 0.016 | 0.022 | 0 | 0.086 |
| prob cyclone hit inland | 0.0018 | 0.0072 | 0 | 0.052 |
| prob cyclone hit total | 0.0030 | 0.0103 | 0 | 0.086 |

Cyclone impact: shock dummy

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| cyclone_hit | -0.128* | -0.125* | 0.200 | -0.273 | -0.0399 |
| | (0.0655) | (0.0706) | (0.177) | (0.438) | (0.0747) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| dsea*yr FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| weather shocks | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| Obs | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 |

Cyclone impact: shock dummy (cont.)

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|----------------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|
| LHS in ln | agri L | cult | fertilizer | tractors | bullocks |
| cyclone_hit | 0.00643 | -0.0194 | -0.229 | -0.0708 | -0.0843* |
| | (0.0655) | (0.0132) | (0.269) | (0.115) | (0.0493) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| dsea*yr FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| weather shocks | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| Obs | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 |

Cyclone impact: % damage

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|----------------|------------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| % affected | -0.00158* | -0.00179** | 0.00651** | 0.00359 | 8.05e-05 |
| | (0.000876) | (0.00101) | (0.00326) | (0.00333) | (0.00121) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| dsea*yr FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| weather shocks | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| Obs | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 | 8288 |

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| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| LHS in ln | agri L | cult | fertilizer | tractors | bullocks |
| % affected | 0.000132 (0.000928) | -0.000104 (0.000217) | -0.00143 (0.00334) | -0.00141 (0.00227) | -0.00112 (0.000702) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
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Cyclone impact by season: shock dummy

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.130* | -0.116 | 0.0971 | 0.0459 | -0.0238 |
| | (0.0776) | (0.0835) | (0.169) | (0.151) | (0.0867) |
| cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.116 | -0.166* | 0.645 | -1.644 | -0.109 |
| | (0.0750) | (0.0890) | (0.536) | (2.031) | (0.122) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| dsea*yr FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| weather shocks | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
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Cyclone impact by season: shock dummy (cont.)

| LHS in ln | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | agri L | cult | fertilizer | tractors | bullocks |
| cyclone_hit*kharif | 0.0434 (0.0271) | -0.0274** (0.0129) | -0.439 (0.311) | -0.0868 (0.137) | -0.0423 (0.0353) |
| cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.153 (0.252) | 0.0150 (0.0418) | 0.671*** (0.228) | -0.00194 (0.159) | -0.265 (0.180) |
| district FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| dsea*yr FE | yes | yes | yes | yes | yes |
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Persistence: shock dummy

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| cyclone_hit | -0.127* | -0.124* | 0.207 | -0.244 | -0.0382 |
| | (0.0657) | (0.0703) | (0.181) | (0.430) | (0.0757) |
| l1_cyclone_hit | -0.0975 | -0.0771 | 0.0434 | -0.393 | -0.112 |
| | (0.0748) | (0.0707) | (0.160) | (0.474) | (0.09241) |
| l2_cyclone_hit | 0.0648 | 0.0663 | 0.172 | 0.183 | 0.148** |
| | (0.0523) | (0.0643) | (0.211) | (0.227) | (0.0650) |
| l3_cyclone_hit | -0.0420 | -0.0362 | -0.398 | 0.217 | -0.0296 |
| | (0.0501) | (0.0515) | (0.617) | (0.229) | (0.0603) |
| l4_cyclone_hit | -0.0699* | -0.0690 | 0.149 | 0.135 | -0.121** |
| | (0.0411) | (0.0423) | (0.293) | (0.171) | (0.0563) |
| l5_cyclone_hit | -0.0209 | -0.0180 | -0.332 | 0.307 | 0.0360 |
| | (0.0592) | (0.0579) | (0.619) | (0.197) | (0.0665) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.387 | 0.472 | 0.820 | 0.618 | 0.706 |

Persistence: shock dummy (cont.)

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| LHS in ln | agri L | cult | fertilizer | tractors | bullocks |
| cyclone_hit | 0.00161 (0.0613) | -0.0193 (0.0147) | -0.202 (0.265) | -0.120 (0.135) | -0.0894* (0.0535) |
| l1_cyclone_hit | -0.00651 (0.0623) | -0.0140 (0.0167) | -0.164 (0.273) | -0.371** (0.158) | -0.118 (0.0861) |
| l2_cyclone_hit | -0.0452 (0.0602) | -0.00238 (0.0156) | 0.213* (0.127) | -0.395** (0.155) | -0.0950* (0.0533) |
| l3_cyclone_hit | -0.0406 (0.0586) | 0.00282 (0.0173) | 0.130 (0.104) | -0.582*** (0.173) | -0.0519 (0.0465) |
| l4_cyclone_hit | -0.0480 (0.0608) | 0.000648 (0.0179) | 0.243** (0.123) | -0.655*** (0.168) | -0.0261 (0.0458) |
| l5_cyclone_hit | -0.0560 (0.0623) | 0.0106 (0.0200) | 0.233* (0.121) | -0.716*** (0.218) | -0.00765 (0.0379) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.515 | 0.978 | 0.182 | 0.00141 | 0.233 |

Persistence by season: shock dummy (1/4)

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.129* (0.0766) | -0.115 (0.0809) | 0.131 (0.199) | 0.0550 (0.152) | -0.0228 (0.0852) |
| l1_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0817 (0.0921) | -0.0455 (0.0862) | -0.0375 (0.207) | -0.0151 (0.214) | -0.0806 (0.109) |
| l2_cyclone_hit*kharif | 0.0530 (0.0607) | 0.0578 (0.0759) | 0.206 (0.252) | 0.0427 (0.199) | 0.147* (0.0758) |
| l3_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0418 (0.0596) | -0.0303 (0.0606) | 0.178 (0.247) | 0.185 (0.194) | -0.0255 (0.0675) |
| l4_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0509 (0.0439) | -0.0414 (0.0425) | 0.173 (0.309) | 0.142 (0.154) | -0.124** (0.0619) |
| l5_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0148 (0.0683) | -0.0145 (0.0678) | 0.287 (0.296) | 0.282 (0.237) | 0.0487 (0.0780) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.544 | 0.727 | 0.521 | 0.441 | 0.884 |

Persistence by season: shock dummy (cont. 2/4)

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| LHS in ln | total rev | rev 6 major | rev kharif | rev. rabi | rev both |
| cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.125 (0.0773) | -0.178* (0.0942) | 0.493 (0.424) | -1.655 (2.096) | -0.116 (0.127) |
| l1_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.158*** (0.0524) | -0.207*** (0.0664) | 0.460 (0.391) | -2.057 (2.090) | -0.251 (0.166) |
| l2_cyclone_hit*rabi | 0.114 (0.104) | 0.0975 (0.109) | -0.00106 (0.122) | 0.700 (0.787) | 0.143 (0.116) |
| l3_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.0435 (0.0507) | -0.0700 (0.0818) | -3.443 (2.984) | 0.502 (0.890) | -0.0423 (0.140) |
| l4_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.177* (0.0975) | -0.221* (0.117) | -0.413 (0.391) | 0.167 (0.662) | -0.101 (0.105) |
| l5_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.0586 (0.106) | -0.0451 (0.108) | -3.610 (3.003) | 0.375 (0.258) | -0.0317 (0.134) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.240 | 0.261 | 0.250 | 0.921 | 0.530 |

Persistence by season: shock dummy (cont. 3/4)

| LHS in ln | (1) agri L | (2) cult | (3) fertilizer | (4) tractors | (5) bullocks |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| cyclone_hit*kharif | 0.0423 (0.0291) | -0.0286** (0.0142) | -0.402 (0.306) | -0.138 (0.162) | -0.0425 (0.0379) |
| l1_cyclone_hit*kharif | 0.0385 (0.0273) | -0.0279* (0.0149) | -0.296 (0.327) | -0.445** (0.184) | -0.0317 (0.0395) |
| l2_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0145 (0.0310) | -0.0147 (0.0131) | 0.221 (0.159) | -0.467** (0.183) | -0.0414 (0.0389) |
| l3_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.00434 (0.0245) | -0.0125 (0.0150) | 0.158 (0.118) | -0.658*** (0.194) | -0.0119 (0.0399) |
| l4_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.00833 (0.0275) | -0.0178 (0.0137) | 0.359*** (0.124) | -0.744*** (0.185) | 0.0248 (0.0417) |
| l5_cyclone_hit*kharif | -0.0252 (0.0280) | -0.00963 (0.0149) | 0.339*** (0.124) | -0.823*** (0.242) | 0.0316 (0.0366) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.915 | 0.212 | 0.162 | 0.00119 | 0.877 |

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| LHS in ln | (1) agri L | (2) cult | (3) fertilizer | (4) tractors | (5) bullocks |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.183 (0.291) | 0.0260 (0.0486) | 0.670*** (0.209) | -0.0161 (0.178) | -0.310 (0.201) |
| l1_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.207 (0.291) | 0.0463 (0.0565) | 0.477*** (0.147) | -0.0578 (0.185) | -0.499 (0.381) |
| l2_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.184 (0.284) | 0.0513 (0.0556) | 0.227 (0.194) | -0.0770 (0.179) | -0.340* (0.193) |
| l3_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.246 (0.317) | 0.0898* (0.0544) | -0.0821 (0.232) | -0.145 (0.0987) | -0.280** (0.122) |
| l4_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.273 (0.310) | 0.109* (0.0614) | -0.476 (0.364) | -0.125 (0.112) | -0.308*** (0.0709) |
| l5_cyclone_hit*rabi | -0.234 (0.314) | 0.124** (0.0608) | -0.331 (0.254) | -0.132 (0.118) | -0.229*** (0.0526) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.450 | 0.130 | 0.863 | 0.339 | 0.0299 |

Income smoothing & risk diversification: % affected

| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| LHS in ln | rev maize | rev cotton | rev gnut | rev wheat | rev gram |
| CROP TYPE | Kharif | Kharif | Kharif | Rabi | Rabi |
| % affected*kharif | 0.00161 (0.00891) | 0.0120** (0.00467) | 0.00179 (0.00436) | 0.00703 (0.00455) | 0.0112** (0.00527) |
| l1_% affected*kharif | -0.00908 (0.00734) | 0.00893** (0.00453) | 0.00347 (0.00300) | 0.00165 (0.00506) | 0.00930* (0.00557) |
| l2_% affected*kharif | -0.00628 (0.00685) | 0.00785* (0.00423) | 0.00577** (0.00238) | 0.00241 (0.00443) | 0.00565* (0.00291) |
| l3_% affected*kharif | 0.00119 (0.00461) | 0.00384 (0.00367) | 0.00401 (0.00264) | 0.00671 (0.00473) | 0.00661** (0.00307) |
| l4_% affected*kharif | 0.00214 (0.00508) | -0.00396 (0.00587) | 0.00481* (0.00260) | 4.68e-05 (0.00582) | 0.00413 (0.00684) |
| l5_% affected*kharif | 0.00507 (0.00503) | -0.000551 (0.00546) | 0.00491* (0.00288) | 0.00630 (0.00621) | 0.000100 (0.00511) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.689 | 0.313 | 0.0456 | 0.462 | 0.0255 |

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
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| CROP TYPE | Kharif | Kharif | Kharif | Rabi | Rabi |
| % affected*rabi | 0.00183 (0.00656) | -0.0197*** (0.00667) | -0.00192 (0.00244) | -0.00263 (0.00256) | 0.00242 (0.00330) |
| l1_% affected*rabi | -0.0161*** (0.00615) | -0.0146** (0.00592) | -0.00156 (0.00237) | -0.00942** (0.00382) | -0.00489 (0.00442) |
| l2_% affected*rabi | -0.0138** (0.00605) | -0.0124* (0.00745) | -0.00268 (0.00291) | -0.00704** (0.00342) | -0.00424 (0.00526) |
| l3_% affected*rabi | -0.0159* (0.00815) | -0.0132 (0.00852) | -0.00509* (0.00284) | -0.000181 (0.00406) | 0.00356 (0.00608) |
| l4_% affected*rabi | -0.00593 (0.00603) | -0.00586 (0.00495) | -0.00736** (0.00319) | -0.00120 (0.00338) | -0.00222 (0.00260) |
| l5_c% affected*rabi | -0.00418 (0.00780) | 0.000294 (0.00437) | -0.00631* (0.00373) | 0.00472 (0.00531) | 0.00165 (0.00412) |
| joint sig ls (pvalue) | 0.0224 | 0.0641 | 0.0761 | 0.382 | 0.677 |

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