Activities in Myanmar

The **Agromet Advisory Project** has been operational in the country since 1982, under the **Division of Meteorology & Hydrology**. Initially focused on weather forecasting, this project disseminates forecasts along with advisories and bulletins to users in collaboration with the **Department of Agriculture**. However, while agromet bulletins are issued, they do not consistently contain actionable agrometeorological advisories. Seasonal weather forecasts, supported by **RIMES**, are used to produce agromet bulletins, which occasionally include recommendations for farmers. These advisories are still in the experimental phase but are progressing, with efforts underway to enhance advisory content under the support of a **World Bank project**.

The dissemination process also incorporates a **mobile application**, broadening access to these services. Between 2015 and 2018, **RIMES** supported the project, particularly focusing on **early warning systems** in pilot areas, initially in the country's dry zones. In addition to this, the **World Bank** has been assisting the country across key areas such as **agroecological mapping**, **weather monitoring and forecasting**, **capacity building**, and expanding agromet services.

However, there is a pressing need to upgrade **agromet advisory services** and promote **agrometeorological research**. Research in this field remains limited despite the presence of agricultural universities in the country. Strengthening research efforts and publishing findings would significantly enhance the effectiveness of **Agromet Advisory Services (AAS)** and contribute to better agricultural decision-making in the future.

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