All-sky Radiance Assimilation of INSAT-3DS Imager WV Channel in the WRF Model

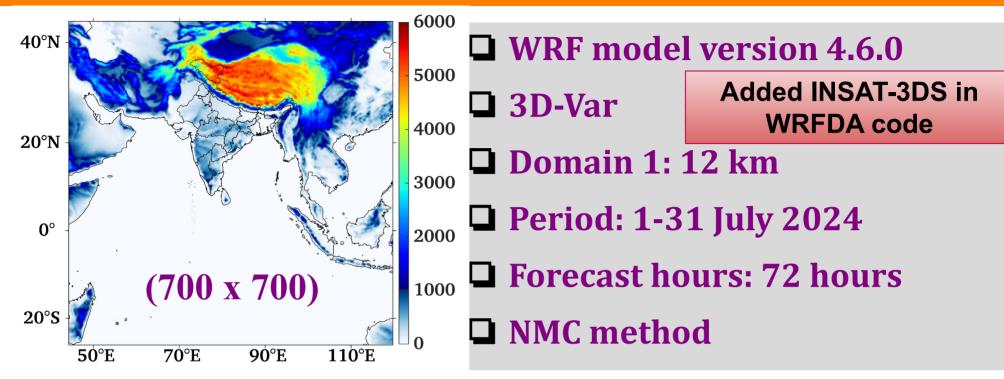
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# Background

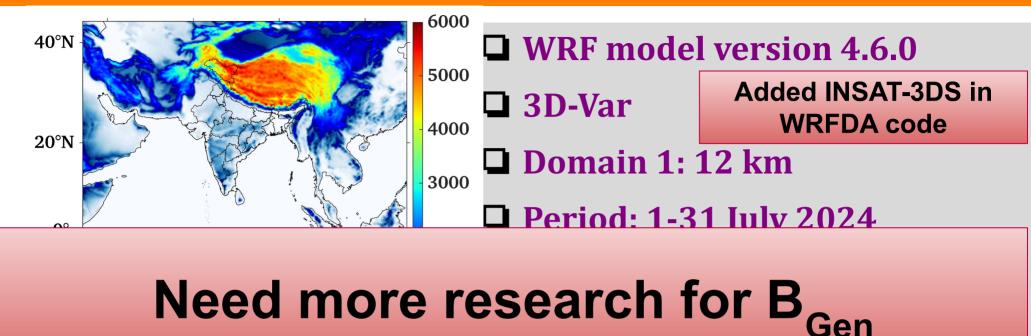
- Generally, Infrared (IR) measurements are assimilated with clear-sky limitations, and cloud removal or correction for IR radiance became a critical step for operational assimilation.
- The restriction of clear-sky assimilation is not due to insignificance of cloud-affected measurements, but mainly due to insufficient treatment of clouds in the first guess, RTM, constraints of DA techniques, etc.
- Montmerle et al. (2010) emphasized the necessity of background error modelling for clouds and precipitation parameters.
- ➤ Geer et al. (2017, 2018) highlighted that the cloud and precipitation data cannot be assimilated when missing in model first guess due to the **zero gradient problem**.

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### **Data Used**

- → NCEP GFS for IC/LBC
- → Conventional (Sonde, Synop, Metar, Buoy, Ship, Pilot, etc.)
- Scatterometer OSW and GEO AMVs
- → GPS RO Refractivity

| Channel | Spectral Band<br>(µm) | Spatial Resolution<br>at Nadir (km) |
|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| VIS     | 0.55-0.75             | 1 km                                |
| SWIR    | 1.55-1.68             | 1 km                                |
| MIR     | 3.80-4.00             | 4 km                                |
| WV      | 6.5-7.1               | 8 km                                |
| TIR-1   | 10.3-11.3             | 4 km                                |
| TIR-2   | 11.5-12.5             | 4 km                                |

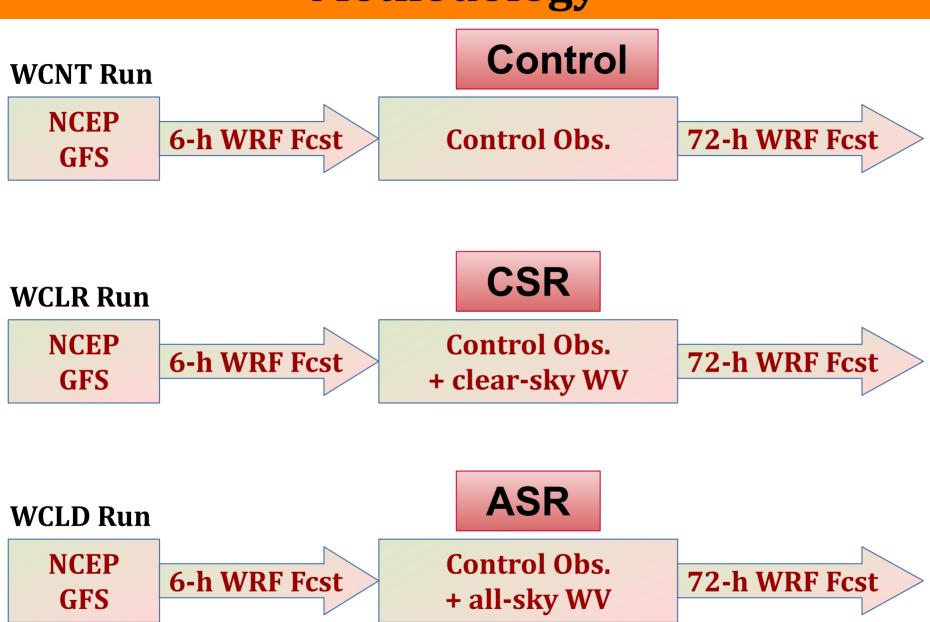
- → WV radiance from INSAT-3DS Imager
- > HIRS4, MHS, ATMS for analysis/forecast verification
- → ERA5 reanalysis for analysis/forecast verification
- → GSMaP\_ISRO rainfall

for forecast verification

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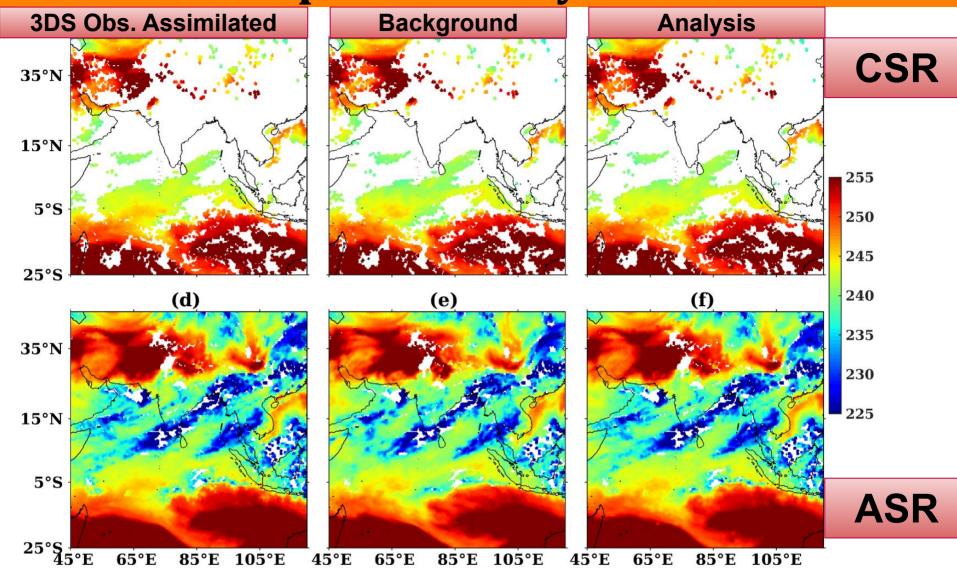
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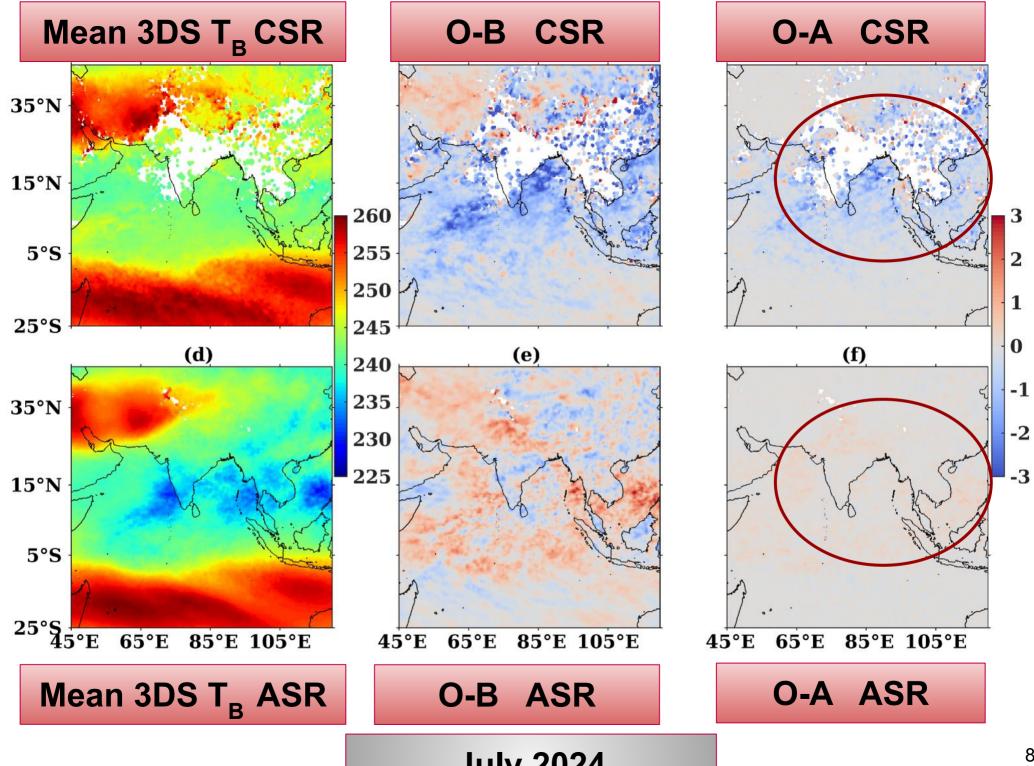
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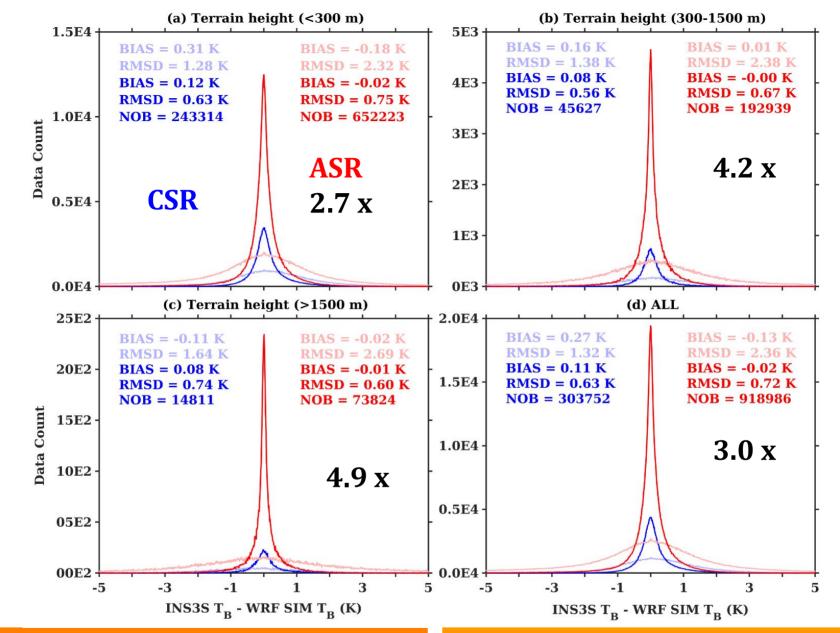
#### **Impact in Analysis**



INSAT-3DS WV T<sub>B</sub> assimilated in the (a) CSR and (d) ASR runs, Simulated WV T<sub>B</sub> from (b) CSR background, (c) CSR analysis, (e) ASR background, (f) ASR analysis Sample day: 1 July 2024

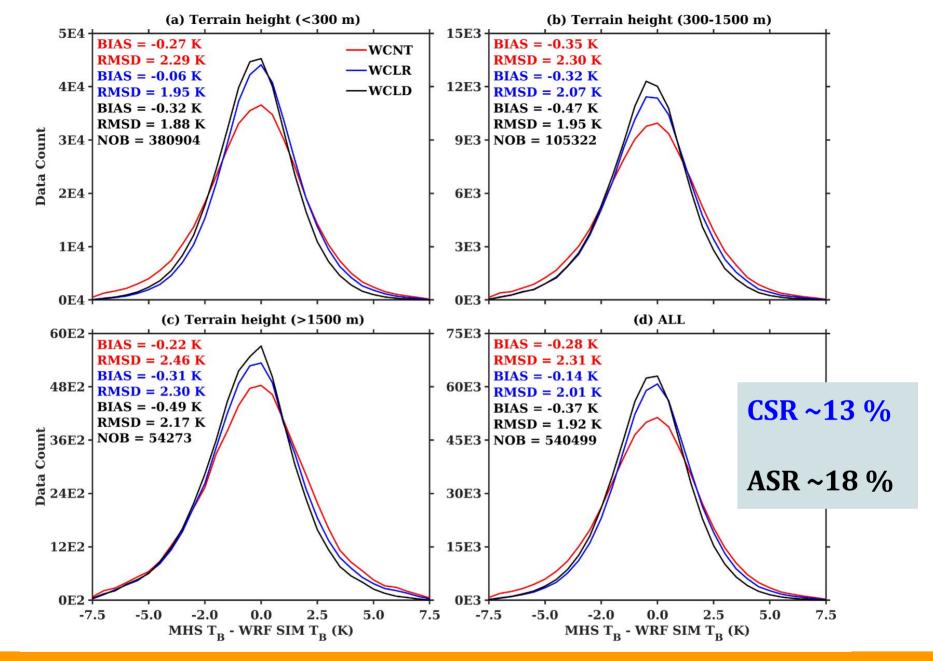
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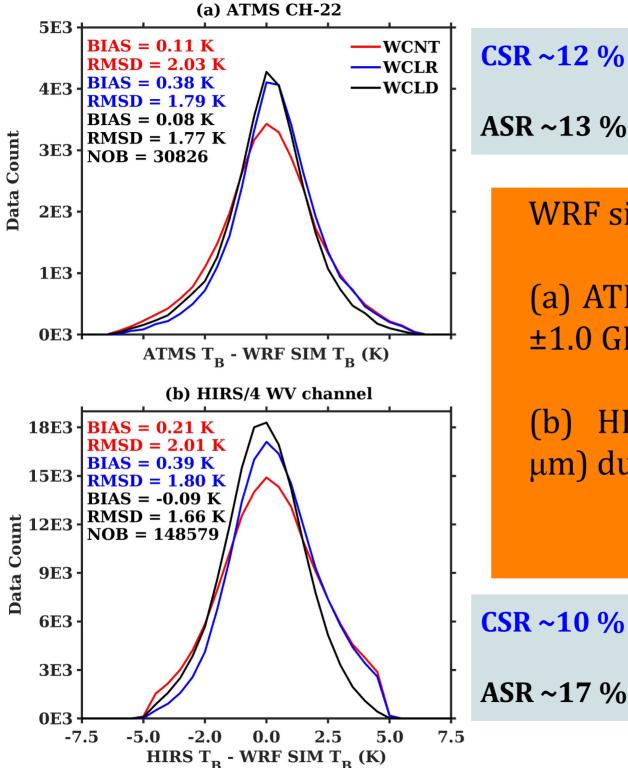


Background departure (light color)Analysis departure (dark color)Entire month of July 2024.

(a) low (<300 m),</li>
(b) mid (300 to 1500 m),
(c) high (>1500 m),
(d) all terrain height



WRF simulated Analysis  $T_B$  against MHS channel-3 (183.31±1.0 GHz)  $T_B$  for (a) low (<300 m), (b) mid (300-1500 m), (c) high (>1500 m), (d) all terrain height.

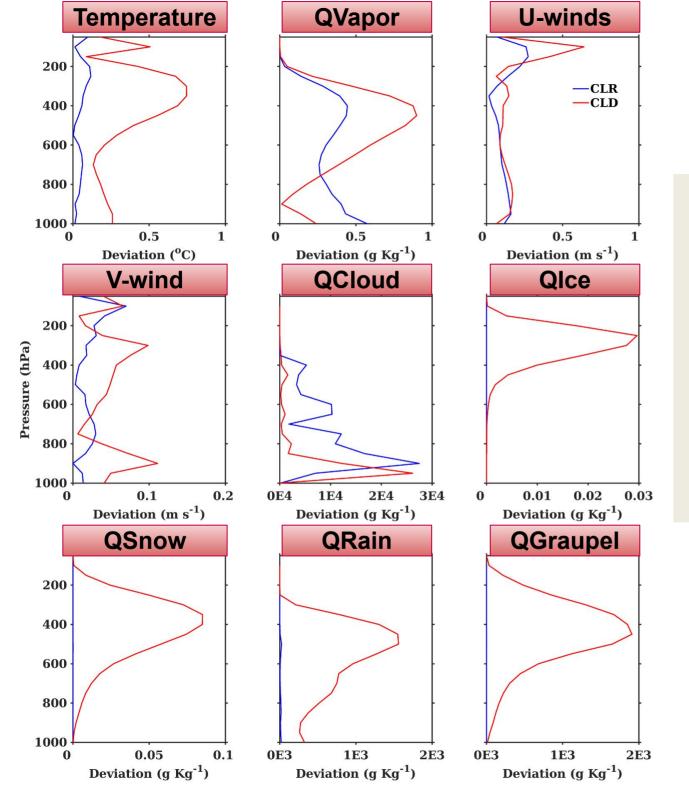


**ASR ~13 %** 

WRF simulated  $T_{R}$  against

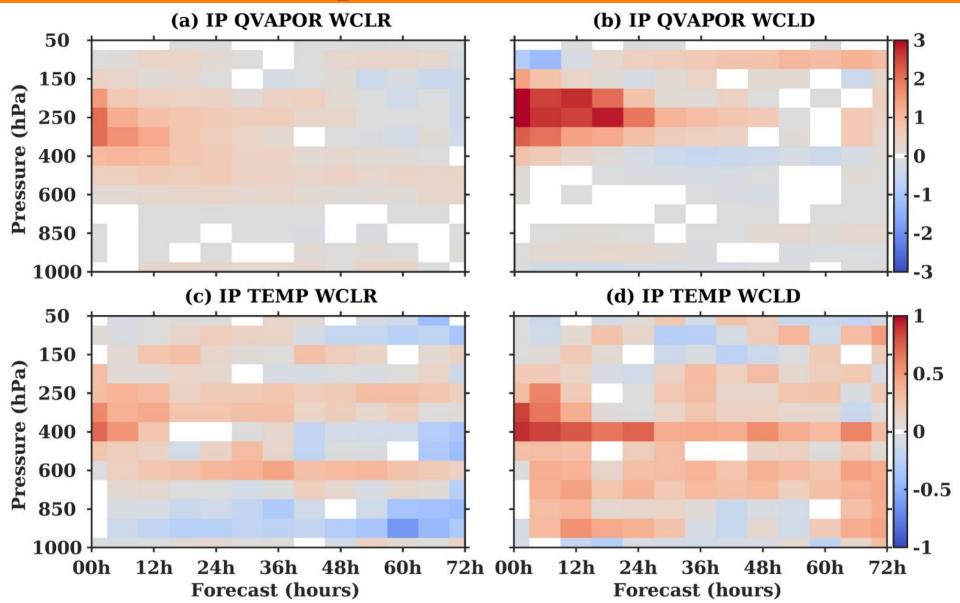
(a) ATMS channel-22 (183.31  $\pm 1.0$  GHz) T<sub>R</sub>,

(b) HIRS/4 channel-12 (6.52 μm) during July 2024.

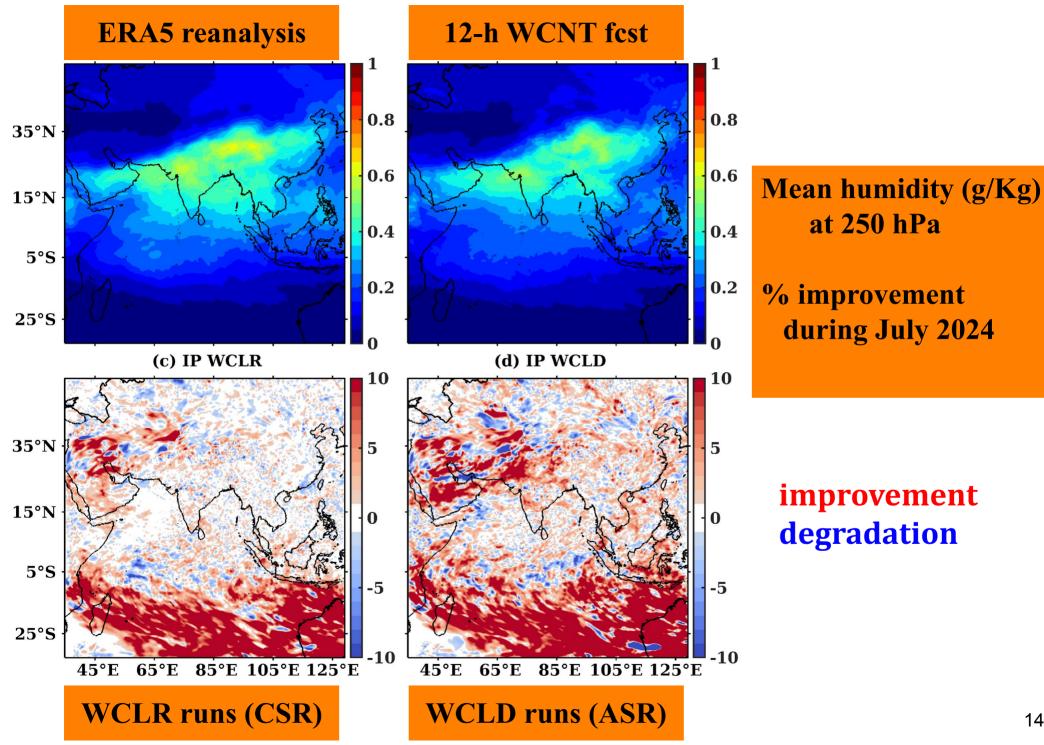


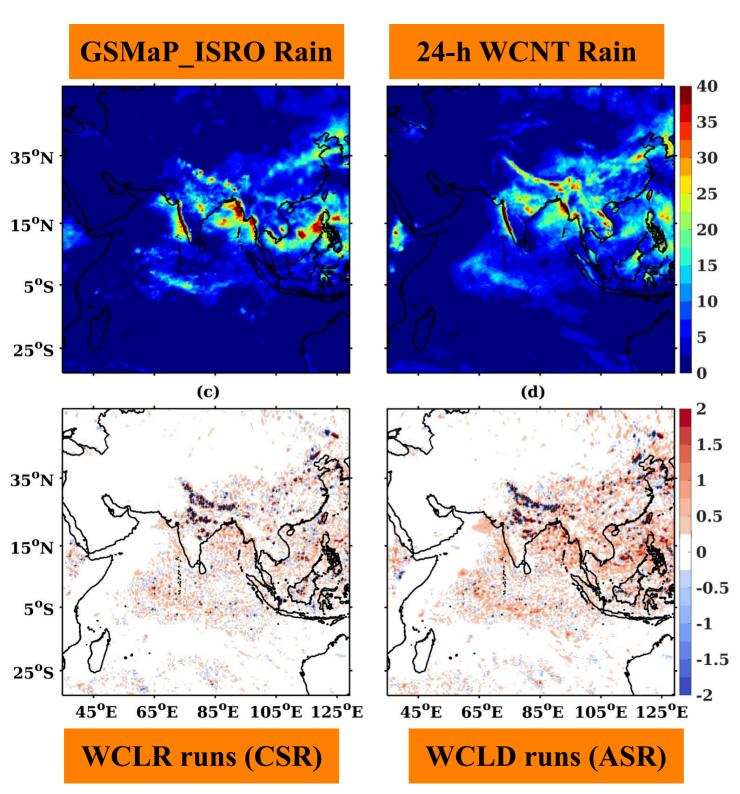
Vertical profile of mean deviation in CSR and ASR runs compared with WCNT runs during July 2024.

#### **Impact in Forecast**



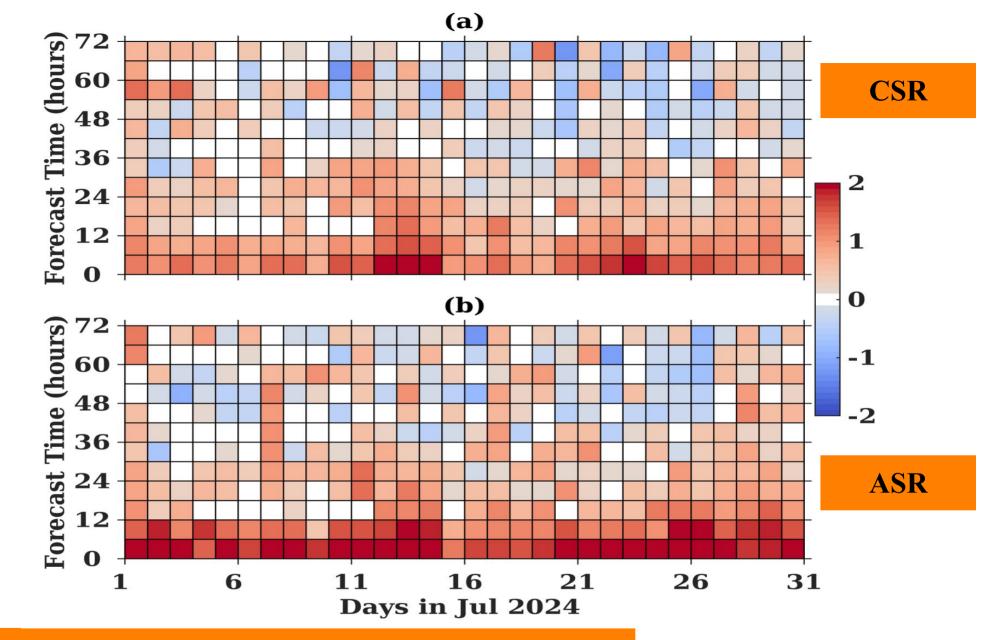
Improvement parameter (IP) for the humidity (QVAPOR; **upper**) and temperature (TEMP; **below**) forecasts, **ERA5 reanalysis as reference Positive** (negative) —- improvement (degradation) **Period - July 2024** 





Mean rainfall (mm/day) % improvement July 2024

improvement degradation



Improvement parameter in (a) WCLR and (b) WCLD INSAT-3DS WV T<sub>B</sub> against WCNT simulated T<sub>B</sub>, **INSAT-3DS WV T<sub>B</sub> observations as reference** 

improvement degradation

### Conclusion

- The number of assimilated WV radiance increased by ~3 times in ASR runs compared to CSR runs.
- The ASR analyses are more consistent with independent satellite observations, particularly in the upper atmospheric levels where the maximum variation in hydrometeor profiles was observed.
- The positive impact of all-sky assimilation extends beyond the analysis stage, leading to improved short-range predictions of moisture, temperature, and T<sub>R</sub> fields.
- Overall, this study demonstrates that assimilating all-sky WV radiance from the recently launched INSAT-3DS geostationary satellite proves both analyses and short-range forecasts.

## **Way Ahead**

- ★ The impact of frequent temporal sampling from INSAT-3DS is not considered
- **Fixed Value of R for clear and cloudy conditions**
- **★** Correlation of CVs in generalized B



