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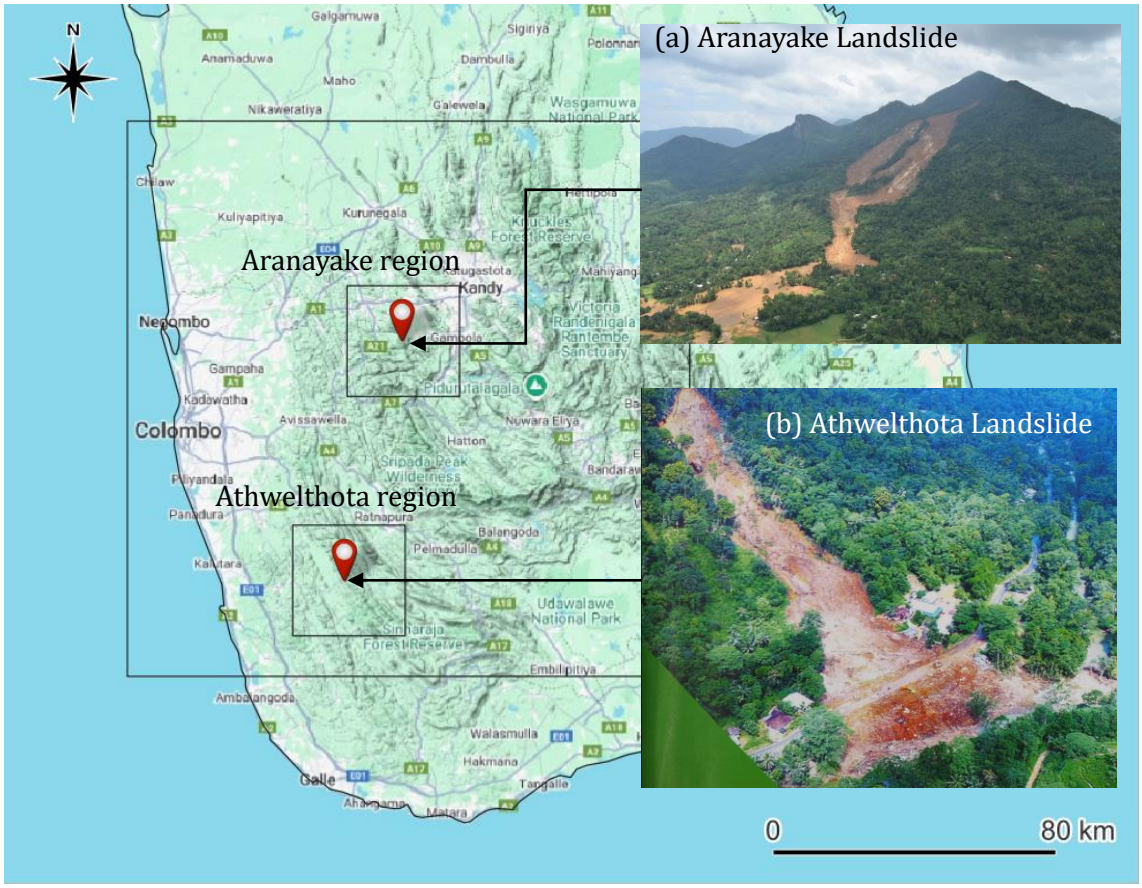

Fig. 1 Two pilot study sites, including (a) Aranayake Landslide and (b) Athwelthota Landslide: Each site is a 30 km by 30 km area (Grandchild domain for the numerical simulation of rains on MSSG). The quadrangle encompassing the central mountain region is the child domain for the numerical simulation of rains on MSSG.

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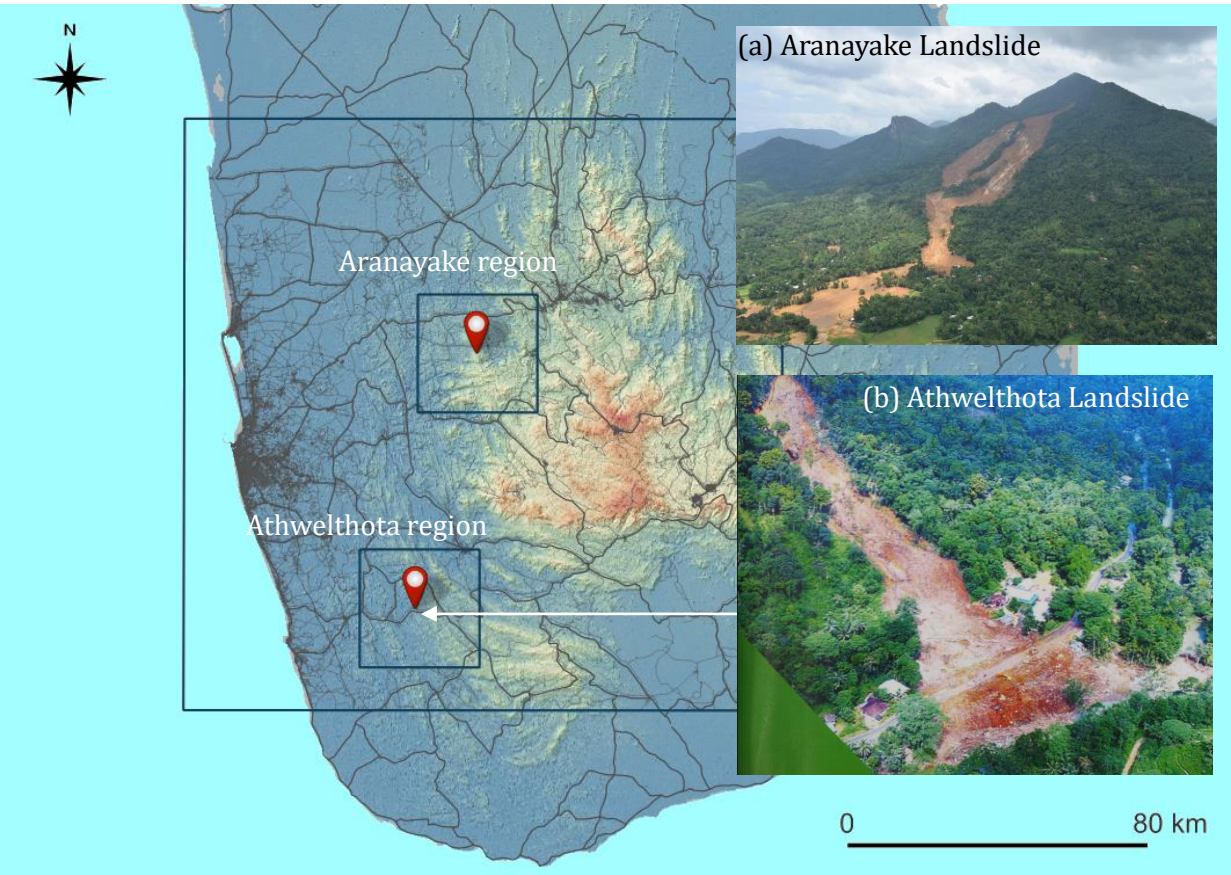

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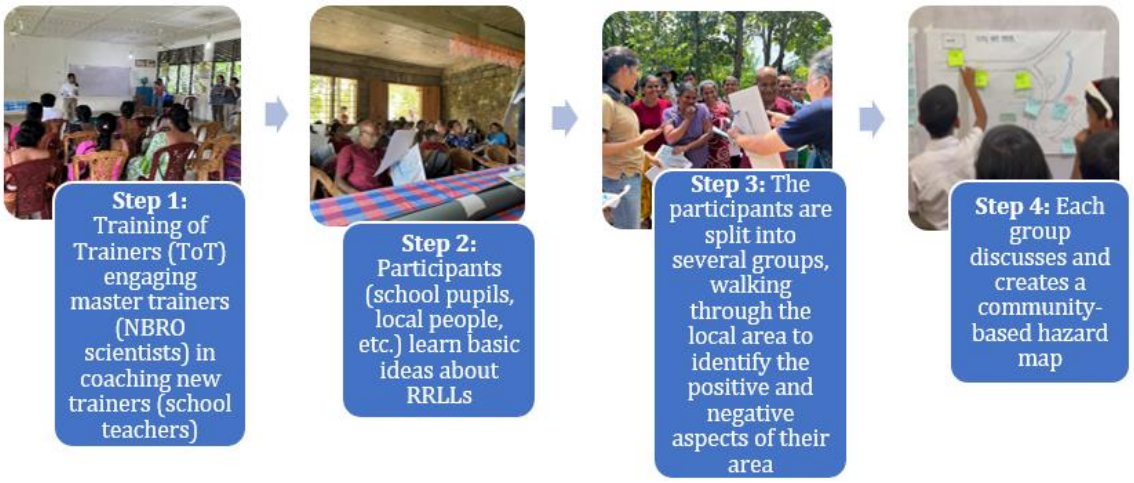

Fig. 13 Steps for Village watching

The diagram above explains the flow of the Village Watching activity, which encourages residents to walk around their neighborhood and consider where safe evacuation sites are located and which evacuation routes are secure in the event of dangerous heavy rain that could trigger landslides.

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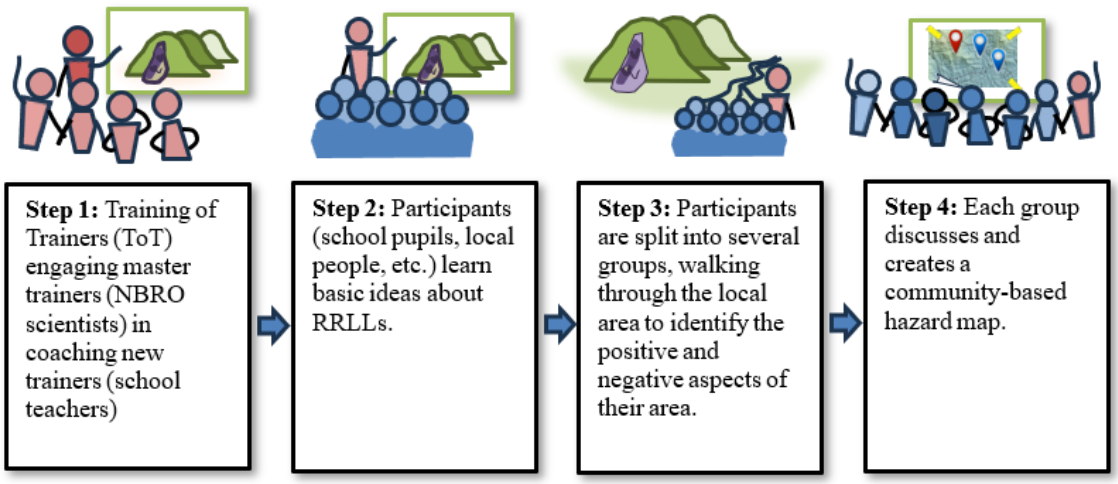

Fig. 12 Steps for Village watching

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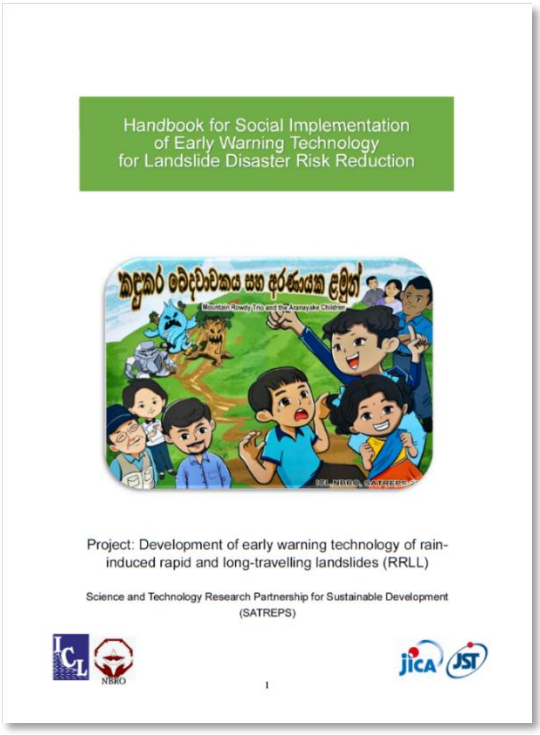

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