

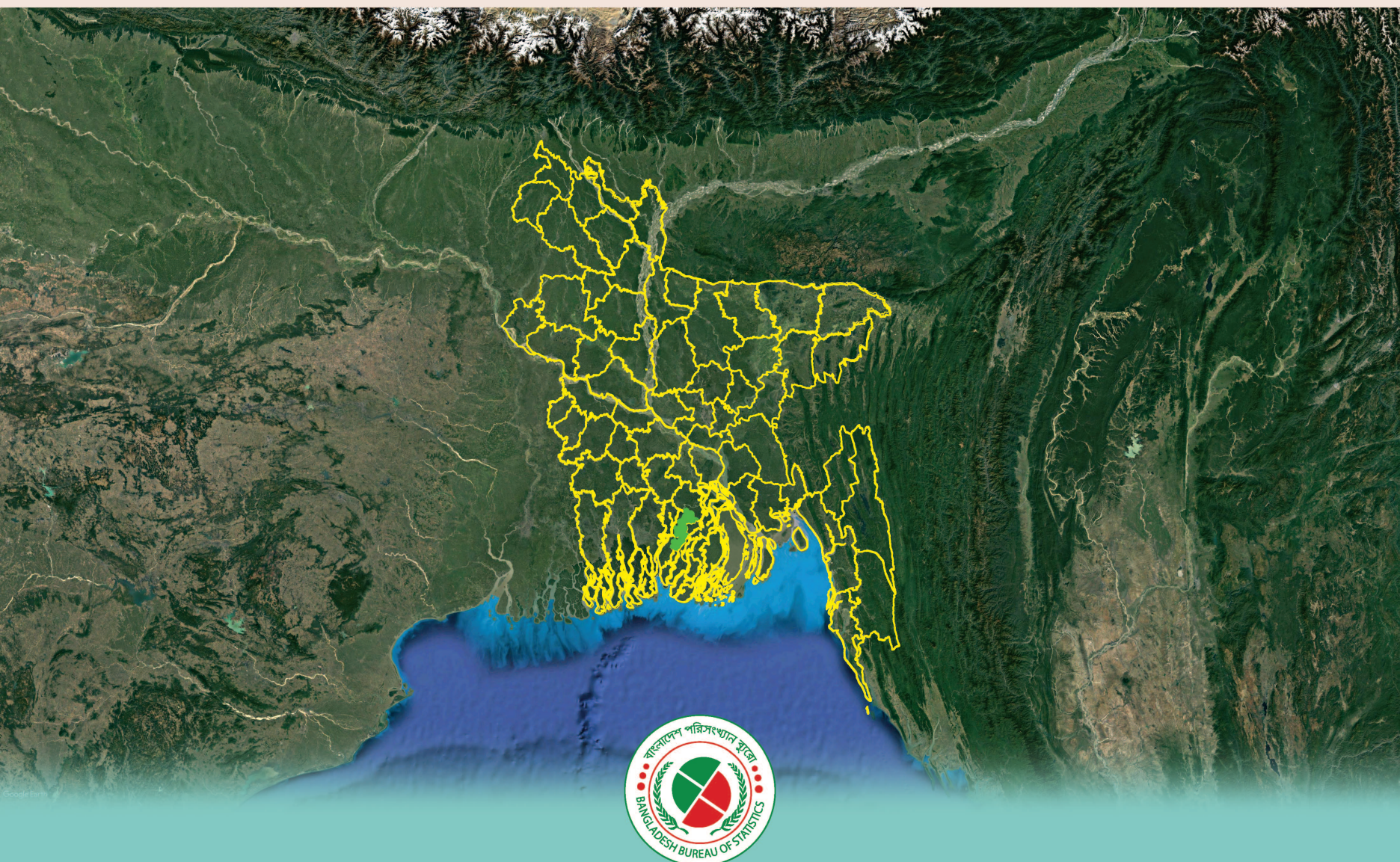


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Foreword

Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), the National Statistical Organization (NSO), is responsible for collecting, compiling and disseminating of statistics on population, demography, and economics as well as on other social indicators to measure the trends of the country's growth and development. Conducting Population and Housing Census is one of the core activities of BBS. Beside this, BBS conduct lots of Inter-censal survey and generate lots of analytical reports for the users which are mainly used for planning and policymaking at the national and sub-national levels. These reports are widely used for poverty alleviation interventions and initiatives for the improvement of the people's quality of life.

Bangladesh has taken a holistic approach towards disaster management, where emphasis has been given for working together with all stakeholders to build strategic, scientific and implementation partnerships with all relevant government departments and agencies, other key non-government players including NGOs, academic and technical institutions, the private sector and development partners. The role of Government is mainly to ensure that risk reduction and comprehensive disaster management programmes are in place. Given emphasis on that, BBS took an initiative to produce disaster prone area atlas for 15 coastal districts of the country. These atlases will focus on the existing situation of hazards, risk and disaster proneness of the districts and at the same time it will help to visualize the vulnerability through map and statistics. The disaster prone atlas of Jhalokati District is one of the output of such initiative.

Let me take privilege to thank UNFPA for providing financial and technical support to Stat4Dev Project of BBS under which this Atlas is prepared. I would like to thank the working group comprising relevant experts from Government of Bangladesh, Research Organizations and International Organizations for their technical backstopping in preparing the maps and the Atlas. I also would like to express my sincere thanks to the Director General of BBS, Project Director, GIS and his team for their sincere efforts in successful completion of this tremendous job. Thanks are also due to the distinguished members of the technical committee and report review committee for their valuable guidance in finalizing of the Atlas.

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Preface

Bangladesh Bureau of statistics (BBS) already has been entered into a new era through the enactment of the Statistical Act, 2013. As per this Act, BBS is mandated as the standalone agency for generating official statistics. The law has also empowered BBS to provide guidance to other agencies for producing official statistics and authenticate statistics generated by them. The Act also given responsibility to BBS to prepare Integrated Geographical Information System (GIS) to foster integration of GIS with Statistics. According to Statistical Act 2013, BBS has prepared the National Strategy for Development of Statistics (NSDS) aimed at capacity building of the nationwide use of statistics with a special focus on Environment, Climate Change and Disaster related quality statistics. Following that mandate, previously BBS published small area atlas for 64 districts and now BBS is going to prepare the disaster prone area atlas for 15 coastal districts of the country for the first time. The disaster prone area atlas of Bangladesh is a tool to enhance decision-making to reduce the economic and social impacts of natural hazards in the country. It is intended to provide a wide range policymakers with appropriate risk information in order to strengthen the capacity of the country to develop disaster risk reduction & management strategies. It provides an excellent tool in identifying, showcasing and disseminating important information needed to make timely and sound technical decisions to enhance the development process. The atlas serves as a catalyst for the holistic approach of building resilient communities. The disaster prone area atlas of Jhalokati District is one of the outcome of our disaster prone area mapping exercise.

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I think this atlas will be useful to the policymakers, researchers and development partners to meet their demand for mapping the country. Any constructive suggestion for further improvement of this report will be highly appreciated.

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Message

I am glad to know the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), under the Statistics and Informatics Division (SID) of the Ministry of Planning of the Government of Bangladesh, has taken the initiative of publishing the Disaster-Prone Area ATLAS prepared by the UNFPA-supported project with BBS. An ATLAS is a handy tool to identify and reveal the exact location and geophysical and socio-economic characteristics of a geographical area. I believe this Disaster-Prone ATLAS will give a clear understanding of spatial and temporal occurrences of natural calamities and will be beneficial in mitigation strategies and preparedness plans, allocation of resources for a response, and will provide the decision support system in disaster management.

UNFPA assists the national efforts at building and sustaining capacities for knowledge management and data/ statistics systems, for integrating population dynamics into national planning and monitoring systems. It commits UNFPA Bangladesh to strengthen national capacity for the production and use of age, sex and location disaggregated population data, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted in 2015, has placed the highest priority on ensuring that “no one is left behind”, calling on national statistical systems to disaggregate national indicators and monitor and redress inequalities as a matter of human rights. This aspiration places a high demand on national data ecosystems, and on data disaggregation by age, sex and location in particular.

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing humanity today. Due to its geographical location, geological and climatic conditions, Bangladesh is one of the most disaster-prone countries in the world. UNFPA is working with the Governments and other development partners to understand population dynamics better, how they affect the changing climate and how people can become resilience in the face of these changes. This disaster-prone area ATLAS has visualized through maps and statistics of the existing situation of hazard and the risk of Jhalokati district.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Director General of BBS, Project Director, and his team for their sincere efforts in successful completion of this tedious job.

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Hope, users and readers will continue to forward their suggestion and comments for further improvement of those documents.

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Chapter 1
Introduction

1.1 Background

Bangladesh is broadly distinguished as one of the world's countries most susceptible to climate change and one of the most vulnerable countries of the world in terms of natural and anthropogenic hazards. As per World Risk Report 2015 Bangladesh has been identified as the sixth most natural disaster-prone country among 173 countries in the world. The geography and climate have made the country vulnerable to different meteorological, hydrological and geological hazards. Natural hazards are a direct result of increased rainfall in the monsoon season, rising sea levels from climate change, and tropical cyclones. The occurrences of natural disasters in the nation are expected to increase as a result of climate change. Each disaster brings about devastating effects on the nation's agriculture, water supply, food resources, health and shelter. It is predicted that the effects of climate change, in the future, will generate more than 20 million climate refugees. Bangladesh is among the countries most predisposed to extensive flooding, tornados and destructive cyclones. Additionally, the water in Bangladesh is frequently contaminated with arsenic due to flooding and the high arsenic contents in the soil. It is estimated that nearly 77 million people in Bangladesh are exposed to toxic arsenic from drinking water.

Bangladesh Bureau of statistics (BBS) already has been entered into a new era through the enactment of the Statistical Act 2013. As per Act BBS is mandated as the standalone agency for generating official statistics. The law has empowered BBS to provide guidance to other agencies for producing official statistics and also to authenticate statistics generated by them. According to Statistical Act 2013, BBS has prepared the National Strategy for Development of Statistics (NSDS) aimed at capacity building of the nationwide use of statistics as well as Environment, Climate Change and Disaster related quality statistics.

1.2 Objectives

As a consequence of the above NSDS, BBS is going to prepared 15 coastal district disaster prone area atlas based on field verification and updating GIS map with other related information. Each disaster prone area atlas will represent single district and existing situation of hazard, risk and will visualized through map and statistics.

1.3 Scope of the work

Geographically, the survey covered the entire district for the selected 15 coastal district area. To identify the disaster-prone areas, a list of mauzas/mahallahs with the dominating type of disaster, which were collected from the field survey, was generated for 15 districts. The risk analysis was done at the extent of both the national and local levels. It will focus on main disaster namely flood, salinity, storm surge, excess rainfall, cyclone, thunderstorm and windstorm.

1.4 About the national disaster atlas

The main deliverable of the project is the district specific disaster prone area atlas. The atlas contains general information about demographic and climatic characteristics of specific district. It describes the main elements at risk and the hazard

profile of the local level based on settlements. The information were collected from the local level community and compiled to construct the maps. It contains an analysis of the risk and vulnerability of the district. The disaster prone area atlas of Bangladesh is a tool to enhance decision-making to reduce the economic and social impacts of natural hazards in the country. It is intended to provide a wide range of decision makers and policy makers with appropriate risk information in order to strengthen the capacity of the country to develop strategic risk management strategies. It provides an excellent tool in identifying, showcasing and disseminating important information needed to make timely and sound technical decisions to enhance the development process. The atlas serves as a catalyst for the holistic approach of building resilient communities.

1.5 Expected benefits to the nation

At the end of this Atlas, a lot of information on disaster and risks will be available and is able to define the disaster profile of specific district of Bangladesh. Such disaster risk profile will help to better coordinate all disaster management related initiatives in a proactive manner at national and local levels, leading to the reduction of disaster risk for all Bangladeshis citizens.

1.6 Key stakeholders

The National Disaster Atlas is intended to benefit a range of stakeholders and potential users. Mainly, the key decision/policy-makers will be able to ensure policy making and decisions are based on robust risk information. The atlas will benefit donors and development partners by informing their respective project formulation and design and risk-proofing development interventions. It will also ensure a risk informed planning by Planners in the government institutions, non-government organizations and the private sector. In addition, the academe is one of the expected beneficiary and user of the atlas specifically as basis or reference for further researches and academic papers. Moreover, the private sector will also benefit from the atlas as its findings could guide them in disaster risk proofing their investments. The humanitarian actors could also utilize the atlas as guide in identifying hazard-safe areas where humanitarian interventions are placed and implemented. The Districts and the local communities will by and large be the main beneficiaries and users of the atlas.

As herein listed, these stakeholders were grouped into ministries, governmental institutions, regional organizations, and international organizations (including UN Agencies and NGOs). Some of the other stakeholders, particularly the regional organizations, participated in the project by providing data required in the assessment including thematic inputs in the use of software, and modeling, including the development of the methodology and analysis. In particular, the UNFPA, aside from providing funding support to the project, have extensively provided technical guidance and assistance to the risk assessment process through its in-house disaster risk assessment expertise.

1.7 Key concepts and definitions

Disaster:

Disaster means any such incidents mentioned below created by nature or human or created due to climate change and its massiveness and devastation cause such damage to cattle, birds and fisheries including life, livelihood, normal life, resources, assets of community and the environment of the damaged area or create such level of hassle to that community whose own resources, capability and efficiency is not sufficient to deal this and relief and any kind of assistance is needed to deal that situation, such as: (a) Cyclone, northwester, tornado, sea high tides, abnormal tides, earthquake, tsunami, excessive rains, shortfall of rains, flood, erosion of river, erosion of coastal area, drought, excessive salinity, excessive pollution of arsenic, building slide, landslide, hill slide, gushing water from hills, hailstorm, heat wave, cold wave, long term water logging etc.; (b) Explosion, fire, capsizing of vessel, massive train and road accident, chemical and nuclear radiation, pilferage of oil or gas, or any mass destruction incident; (c) Disease causing pandemic, such as pandemic influenza, bird flu, anthrax, diarrhea, cholera, etc.; (d) Harmful microorganism, poisonous materials and infection of life active object including infection by bio based or biological infectious object; (e) Ineffectiveness or damage of essential service or disaster protection infrastructure; and (f) Any unnatural incident or a misfortune causing massive life loss and damage (Disaster Management Act 2012).

Disaster risk

The potential disaster losses, in lives, health status, livelihoods, assets and services, which could occur to a particular community or a society over some specified future time. The definition of disaster risk reflects the concept of disasters as the outcome of continuously present conditions of risk. Disaster risk comprises different types of potential losses, which are often difficult to quantify. Nevertheless, with knowledge of the prevailing hazards and the patterns of population and socio-economic development, disaster risks can be assessed and mapped, in broad terms at least.

Disaster risk reduction

Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) is development and application of policies and practices that minimizes risks to vulnerabilities and disasters, applies to managing and /or responding to current disaster risks.

Early warning system

It is a major element of disaster risk reduction. It prevents loss of life and reduces the economic and material impact of disasters. To be effective, early warning systems need to actively involve the communities at risk, facilitate public education and awareness of risks, effectively disseminate alerts and warnings and ensure there is constant state of preparedness (Ibid).

Exposure

People, property, systems, or other elements present in hazard zones that are thereby subject to potential losses. Measures of exposure can include the number of people or types of assets in an area. These can be combined with the specific vulnerability of the exposed elements to any particular hazard to estimate the quantitative risks associated with that hazard in the area of interest.

Hazard

A dangerous phenomenon, substance, human activity or condition that may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihoods and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage. There are hazards of natural origin and related environmental and technical hazard and risks. Such hazards arise from a variety of geological, meteorological, hydrological, oceanic, biological and technical sources, sometimes acting in combination. In technical settings, hazards are described quantitatively by the likely frequency of occurrence of different intensities for different areas, as determined from historical data or scientific analysis.

Natural hazard

Natural process or phenomenon that may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihoods and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage. Natural hazards are a sub-set of all hazards. The term is used to describe actual hazard events as well as the latent hazard conditions that may give rise to future events. Natural hazard events can be characterized by their magnitude or intensity, speed of onset, duration, and area of extent. For example, earthquakes have short durations and usually affect a relatively small region, whereas droughts are slow to develop and fade away and often affect large regions. In some cases hazards may be coupled, as in the flood caused by a hurricane or the tsunami that is created by an earthquake.

Resilience

The ability of a system, community or society exposed to hazards to resist, absorb, accommodate to and recover from the effects of a hazard in a timely and efficient manner, including through the preservation and restoration of its essential basic structures and functions. The resilience of a community in respect to potential hazard events is determined by the degree to which the community has the necessary resources and is capable of organizing itself both prior to and during times of need.

Return period

A return period, also known as a recurrence interval or repeat interval, is an estimate of the likelihood of an event to occur. It is a statistical measurement typically based on historical data denoting the average recurrence interval over an

extended period of time. The theoretical period is the inverse of the probability that the event will be exceeded in any other year. For example, a 25 year flood has a $1/25 = 0.25$ or 25% chance of being exceeded in any one year. Despite the connotations of the name “return period”, it does not mean that a 25 year flood will happen regularly every 25 years or only once in 25 years (Wikipedia, 2015).

Risk

Risk means hazards, factors of dangers and possible harmful situation created due to internal process of the environment or assembling and capability. (Disaster Management Act, 2012)

Risk analysis

The process to comprehend the nature of risk and to determine the level of risk (ISO 31010).

Risk assessment

A methodology to determine the nature and extent of risk by analyzing potential hazards and evaluating existing conditions of vulnerability that together could potentially harm exposed people, property, services, livelihoods and the environment on which they depend. Risk assessments (and associated risk mapping) include: a review of the technical characteristics of hazards such as their location, intensity, frequency and probability; the analysis of exposure and vulnerability including the physical social, health, economic and environmental dimensions; and the evaluation of the effectiveness of prevailing and alternative coping capacities in respect to likely risk scenarios. This series of activities is sometimes known as a risk analysis process.

Vulnerability

Vulnerability means any such existing socio-economic, geographical and environmental condition of any community, which may make expected capability of the community vulnerable, weak, unskill and limited to adapt with affect of natural or human created hazard or any adverse reaction.

Natural Disaster

A natural disaster is a major adverse event resulting from natural processes of the Earth; examples include cyclones, drought, floods, erosion, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, tsunamis, and other geologic processes. A natural disaster can cause loss of life or property loss and damages, and typically leaves some economic loss and damages, the severity of which depends on the affected population's resilience, or ability to recover. Following is the description of some of the natural disasters (with their code number) in Bangladesh.

Drought

Bangladesh faces unpredictable drought hazard in the dry monsoon due to inadequate and uneven rainfall. It varies from place to place, however, and the north-western region/ districts of Bangladesh suffers most from the drought almost regularly in two-year cycle. It is unusual dryness of soil, resulting in crop failure and shortage of water for other uses, caused by significantly lower rainfall than average over a prolonged period. Hot dry winds, shortage of water, high temperatures and consequent evaporation of moisture from the ground can contribute to conditions of drought. This may have initiated the process of desertification in those districts where the affected areas maintain high temperatures, non-availability of surface water due to drying out of water sources, crops die out and there is a crisis of fodder as well. For people who are directly dependent on rainwater, drought is a big problem.

Flood

Flood is one of the major natural disasters in Bangladesh. In general the normal inundation of flood-free areas by water caused by excessive rain and spillage from the over flown riverbanks is called flood. Floods bring about immense havoc to the lives of the people. Flooding is a natural phenomenon in Bangladesh and occurs on an annual basis. The rivers are huge by global standards, and can inundate over 30% of the land mass at a time. Bangladesh is prone to serious and chronic flooding. Even in an average year, 18% of the landmass is inundated and previous floods have affected 75% of the country (as in 1988). 75% of the country is below 10m above sea level and 80% is classified as floodplain as Bangladesh is principally the delta region of South Asia's great rivers. Bangladesh floods on a regular basis, recent notable and catastrophic floods have occurred in 1988, 2004, 2007 and 2010. Floods cause erosion of chars (islands) by flooding rivers, cause landlessness amongst Bangladesh's poor; environmental refugees, loss of property, lives, epidemic, other water borne diseases, lack of drinking water, loss of agricultural land and crops, communication disruption are some of the major effects of this natural disaster.

Water Logging

Bangladesh's high vulnerability to frequently occurring natural disaster is known worldwide, a lesser-known new phenomenon - water logging - has been disrupting livelihoods of people during the past two decades. The phenomenon involves deterioration of drainage condition in a number of southern coastal rivers leading to temporary to permanent inundation of floodplains along those rivers, causing enormous difficulties towards maintaining livelihoods and disrupting land-based productive system including agricultural crops. The problem has become severe in the southwestern parts of Bangladesh, especially along the Kapataksma river system covering parts of Jessore, Khulna and Satkhira districts. Water logging is also becoming an issue in central southern Noakhali district, where gradual chocking of the Noakhali rivulet (i.e., khal) has given rise to temporary water logging every year.

Cyclone

A large-scale closed circulation system in the atmosphere with low barometric pressure and strong winds that rotate counter clockwise in the northern hemisphere and clockwise in the southern hemisphere. The system is referred to as a cyclone in the Indian Ocean and South Pacific, hurricane in the western Atlantic and eastern Pacific and typhoon in the western Pacific. Cyclones are the most devastating of the natural disasters. Generally, the disasters faced by the coastal areas are related to tides, river flows and weather conditions leading to cyclonic winds. A major hazard that occurs in the coastal areas is mostly due to weather conditions associated with depressions of varying severity. The hazards due to cyclones are associated with elements such as depressions, cyclone surges, effect of wind speed, hazard areas, etc. High winds cause rough conditions and high waves during the time of depression over the sea and cause damage and loss throughout the land they pass over. In Bangladesh, the main cause of damage and loss is the severe cyclonic storm with Hurricane intensity. In Bangladesh, most of the cyclones occur during the pre-monsoon (April/ May/ early-June) and post-monsoon (late-September/ October/ November) period. The pre-monsoon period is the sowing or broadcasting season for Aus rice and the post monsoon season is the harvesting season for Aman rice in the coastal areas. Hence, the impact of cyclones is severe in terms of economic loss, as well as loss of lives and property.

Tornado

The two transitional periods between southwest and northeast monsoons over the Indian sub-continent are characterized by local severe storms. The transitional periods are usually referred to as pre-monsoon (March-May), and post-monsoon (October-November). It is the pre-monsoon period when most of the abnormal rainfall or drought conditions frequently occur in different parts of Bangladesh. Also there are severe local seasonal storms, popularly known as nor'westers (Kalbaishakhi). Severe nor 'westers are generally associated with tornadoes. Tornadoes are embedded within a mother thundercloud, and moves along the direction of the squall of the mother storm. The frequency of devastating nor' westers usually reaches the maximum in April, while a few occur in May, and the minimum in March. Nor' westers and tornadoes are more frequent in the afternoon.

Storm/Tidal Surge

Storms are caused by atmospheric disturbance involving perturbations of the prevailing pressure and wind fields, on scales ranging from tornadoes (1 km across) to extra-tropical cyclones (2000-3000 km across). This causes a rise in sea level that result in the inundation of areas along coastlines. The movement of ocean and sea currents, winds and major storms causes these phenomena.

Thunderstorm

A thunderstorm, also known as an electrical storm, a lightning storm, or a thundershower, is a type of storm characterized by the presence of lightning and its acoustic effect on the Earth's atmosphere known as thunder. Thunderstorms occur

in association with a type of cloud known as a cumulonimbus. They are usually accompanied by strong winds, heavy rain and sometimes hail, or, in contrast, no precipitation at all. Thunderstorms result from the rapid upward movement of warm, moist air. They can occur inside warm, moist air masses and at fronts. As the warm, moist air moves upward, it cools, condenses, and forms cumulonimbus clouds that can reach heights of over 20 km (12.45 miles). As the rising air reaches its dew point, water droplets and ice form and begin to fall through the clouds towards the Earth's surface. As the droplets fall, they collide with other droplets and become larger. The falling droplets create a downdraft of cold air and moisture that spreads out at the Earth's surface, causing the strong winds commonly associated with thunderstorms, and occasionally fog.

River/Coastal Erosion

A combination of natural processes, including weathering, dissolution, abrasion, corrosion, and transportation, by which material is worn away from the earth's surface. The energy in a river causes erosion. The bed and banks can be eroded making it wider, deeper and longer. River erosion and submerging of the coastal lands are the natural phenomenon being one of the main natural disasters. River and coastal erosion causes much more destruction to the socioeconomic mechanism than any other natural disasters. Loss of life may not happen due to erosion but it makes people undone. It causes a massive financial loss and damages. The immense pressure of the downwards tide, current force and twirl, waves and tides, storm, tidal surges, lack of trees on the riverbank causes erosion to the coastal islands every year. The collision between downwards current of fresh water and uprising sea level creates strong twirling that cause erosion to the coast. Moreover, due to combined sudden flood, heavy rain, and downwards freshwaters causes collision to the riverbank and cause erosion to the riverbanks and coastal areas. Deforestation and lack of plantation in the riverbanks and coastal areas also complement to riverbank and coastal erosion.

Landslide

Landslides are a complex-disaster phenomenon that can be caused by earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, heavy rainfall (typhoons, hurricanes), sustained rainfall, heavy snowmelt, unregulated anthropogenic developments, mining, and others. In Bangladesh, landslides are mostly triggered by heavy rainfall. However, underlying causes of landslide include deforestation, hill cutting, unregulated development work, etc. Moreover, poverty and landlessness force poor people to live in the risky hill-slopes. However, recently landslide has emerged as a major hazard, particularly after the Chittagong Landslide 2007. Due to heavy rainfall during 10 -11 June 2007, landslides and collapsed walls caused widespread damages in six areas of Chittagong city and in different Upazilas of the District.

Salinity

Saline water intrusion is mostly seasonal in Bangladesh; in winter months the saline front begins to penetrate inland, and the affected areas rise sharply from 10 percent in the monsoon to over 40 percent in the dry season. Coastal districts such as Satkhira, Khulna, Bagerhat, Barguna, Patuakhali, Barisal are the victims of salinity intrusion. Agricultural production,

fisheries, livestock, and mangrove forests are affected by higher salinity in the dry season. It is observed that dry flow trend has declined as a result of which sea flow (saline water) is traveling far inside the country resulting in contamination both in surface and ground water. The population of pure freshwater fish species decline and species that are more tolerant survive and dominate changing the composition of the ecosystem and affecting the livelihoods of the people dependent of the freshwater resources.

Hailstorm

Hailstorm is a very curious geographical and climatic phenomenon. A hailstorm is named such, because during the storm, hail or balls of ice fall in huge quantities on the Earth. It is nothing but irregular lumps or balls of ice. The specialty of a hailstorm is that both hail, i.e. balls of ice, and rainwater fall during the storm, at the same time. The hailstorms are not exactly storms, but are a side effect of a much bigger storm, the thunderstorm. In fact, this phenomenon originates from thunderclouds that are known as Cumulonimbus clouds. When the existing temperature of a mass of air currents falls down rapidly over decreasing altitude, it results in a hailstorm. The hailstones are formed due to the process of freezing and grow over time. They are carried by the updrafts or the air currents moving in the upward direction, until they become large for these currents to continue carrying them. Hailstones must have at least 3/4 inch of diameter to become severe, and cause a substantial amount of damage and loss to life and property. Being a nature's phenomenon and a type of natural disaster, hailstorms are unavoidable. The impact of hailstones can cause widespread damage and loss to vulnerable plant, agricultural crops, infrastructure and equipment that is stored outside. Hailstones have the potential to destroy animals and human life upon impact if strong enough.

1.8 Data and Map source

The development of a comprehensive disaster risk profile requires foremost a good understanding of the general context and background of the country. Accordingly, many country data has been gathered. These data were organized in a dataset and converted into GIS formats. The data includes administrative entities, population, infrastructure, buildings and settlement, livelihood, health, education, elevation and topography and land use countrywide. It is important to note that the data availability constitutes a main challenge and constraint for the preparation of this atlas. The subsequent page demonstrates a table detailing data collected from different institutions, governmental, international organization and UN Agencies.

Table 1.1: Database Inventory

S/N	Type of data	Format	Content	Source
1	DEM	Point-based GIS shapefiles	Digital elevation model of 10 meter	BWDB
2	Topographic Maps	Image	Images covering the specific area produced in 2010	SoB
3	Land Cover Map	GIS Shapefiles	Land use land cover information	MoL

4	Education facilities location	GPS locations	Specific locations and other related informations	GPS survey
5	Health facilities location	GPS locations	Specific locations and other related informations	GPS survey
6	Administrative boundary	GIS Shapefiles	Admin boundary with Geocode	BBS
7	River Network	GIS Shapefiles	Detail river network with name	BWDW
8	Meteorological data	Spreadsheet	Daily Temperature, Rainfall, Humidity with station location's latitude and longitude	BMD
9	Demographic data	Spreadsheet	mauza specific Various demographic related data	BBS
10	Soil salinity	Point based GIS shapefiles	Salinity measurement for specific location of the study area	BARC
11	Disaster information	Spreadsheets	Various disaster and damage related information	Field survey

Chapter 2

**Methodological Framework
for Hazard and Risk Assessment**

2.1 Understanding country situation and baseline data compilation

The risk assessment process was an extensive inventory and compilation of existing data and information related to hazards and elements at risk. It involves an understanding of the country's disaster risk management framework, practices and institutional set-up. It entails collection of baseline data of the country such as administrative boundaries, infrastructure, socioeconomic data (e.g. demographics, poverty index, employment, agriculture, etc.), spatial data (e.g. Digital Elevation Model, geology, soil, land cover, land use, road network, etc.) and meteorological data (e.g. rainfall, temperature, etc.). This process also include collection of historical disaster events and the damage and losses they caused. The collected data are compiled and structured in different datasets according to its nature, format and contents. Subsequently, the datasets are integrated in the Geographical Information System (GIS) platform and processed into maps and spatial formats. Some of the baseline data are presented in figures and tables. These maps, figures and tables are presented in chapter 3.

2.2 List of Disaster and disaster calendar

Each district has different hazards and occurred in different time. To identify the different hazards in particular district one questionnaire form was produced to collect the data from field and compiled together. The table shows the disaster calendar for the Patuakhali district.

Upazila Name	Disaster Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Jhalokati Sadar	Tidal Bore							Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Cyclone					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Depression						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Excess Rainfall						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Flood					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Windstorm				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				
	Thunderstorm				Y	Y	Y	Y					
Kanthalia	Tidal Bore						Y	Y					
	Cyclone					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Excess Rainfall						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Flood					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Windstorm				Y	Y	Y						

Upazila Name	Disaster Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nalchity	Tidal Bore						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Cyclone					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	Excess Rainfall						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Flood						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Heavy Fog	Y	Y	Y									
	Windstorm				Y	Y	Y						
	Thunderstorm				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				
	River Erosion						Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Rajapur	Tidal Bore						Y	Y	Y				
	Cyclone					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	y	
	Excess Rainfall						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Flood						Y	Y	Y	Y			
	Windstorm				Y	Y	Y						
	Thunderstorm				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				

2.3 Hazard assessment and mapping

Hazard assessment and mapping is the first step of the risk assessment process. It involves characterizing the hazards in terms of its spatial distribution, frequency and intensity. It covers six major hazards that are prevalent in Jhalokathi District namely- cyclone, tidal bore, excess rainfall, flood, thunderstorm and windstorms. Specific hazard intensity maps are produced per hazard based on affected settlement area. The hazard maps identify the hazard-prone areas, describe the physical characteristics of the hazards and characterize the hazards in terms of magnitude, frequency, duration, extent, intensity and probability. The risk map is produced based on intensity of hazard occurred in certain settlements and categorised into five different types- very low with one hazard, low with 2 hazards, moderate with 3 hazards, high with 4 hazards and very high with 5 or more than 5 hazards.

2.4 Exposure assessment

Identifying and assessing the elements at risk is the next step in the risk assessment process. Exposure assessment is an intermediate stage of risk assessment, which links the hazard assessment with the targeted elements under consideration for the risk assessment (ADPC, 2013). The elements at risks in this study, also labelled as sectors of activity, are population,

building, critical facilities such as health and education facilities, infrastructure (e.g. roads) and agriculture (Table 2.1). Exposure will be quantified and expressed as the number of population (or human lives) and the value of properties and assets that can potentially be affected by a specific hazard.

Table 2.1 : Elements considered in the assessment per hazard

Type	Population	Settlement	Crop	Infrastructure	Transport
Drought	X		x		
Flood	X	x	x	x	x
Landslide	X	x	x	x	x
Windstorm	X	x	x	x	
Coastal flood	X	X	X	X	X
Thunderstorm	X	X	X	X	
Cyclone	X	X	X	X	X
Salinity	X		X		
Excess Rainfall		X	X		X
Strom surge/tidal bore	X	X	X	X	X
Water logging	X	X	X		X
Tornado	X	X	X	X	X
Earthquake	X	X	X	X	X

The exposure assessment is aimed at creating a national database of elements at risks. It qualifies the elements located in hazard-prone areas. The goal is to develop a comprehensive profile of elements at risk and analysis of their exposure to various natural hazards. The analysis is carried out based on available data.

Chapter 3
**Basic Data and Base Maps
of Jhalokati District**

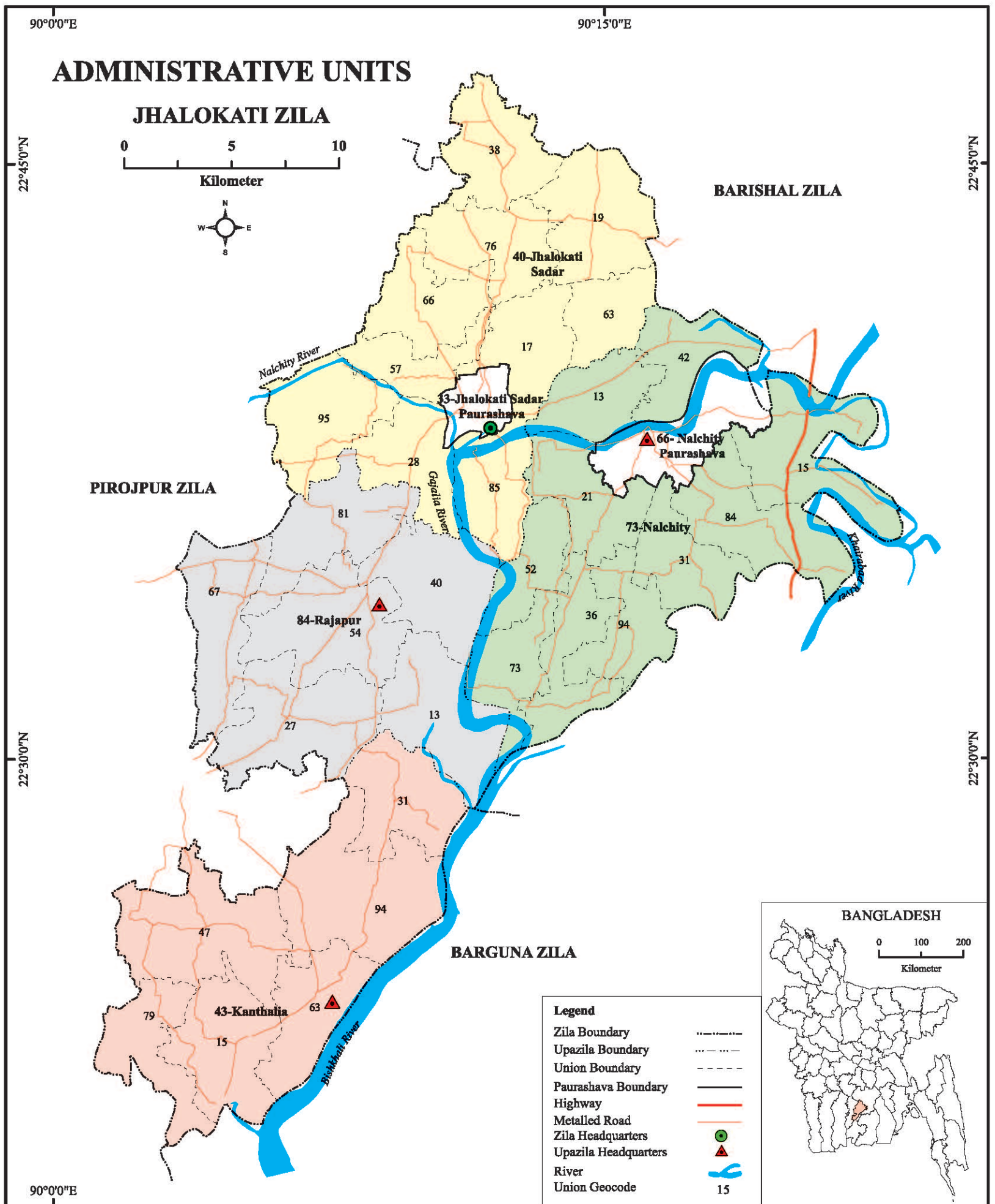
3.1 Geography and administrative division

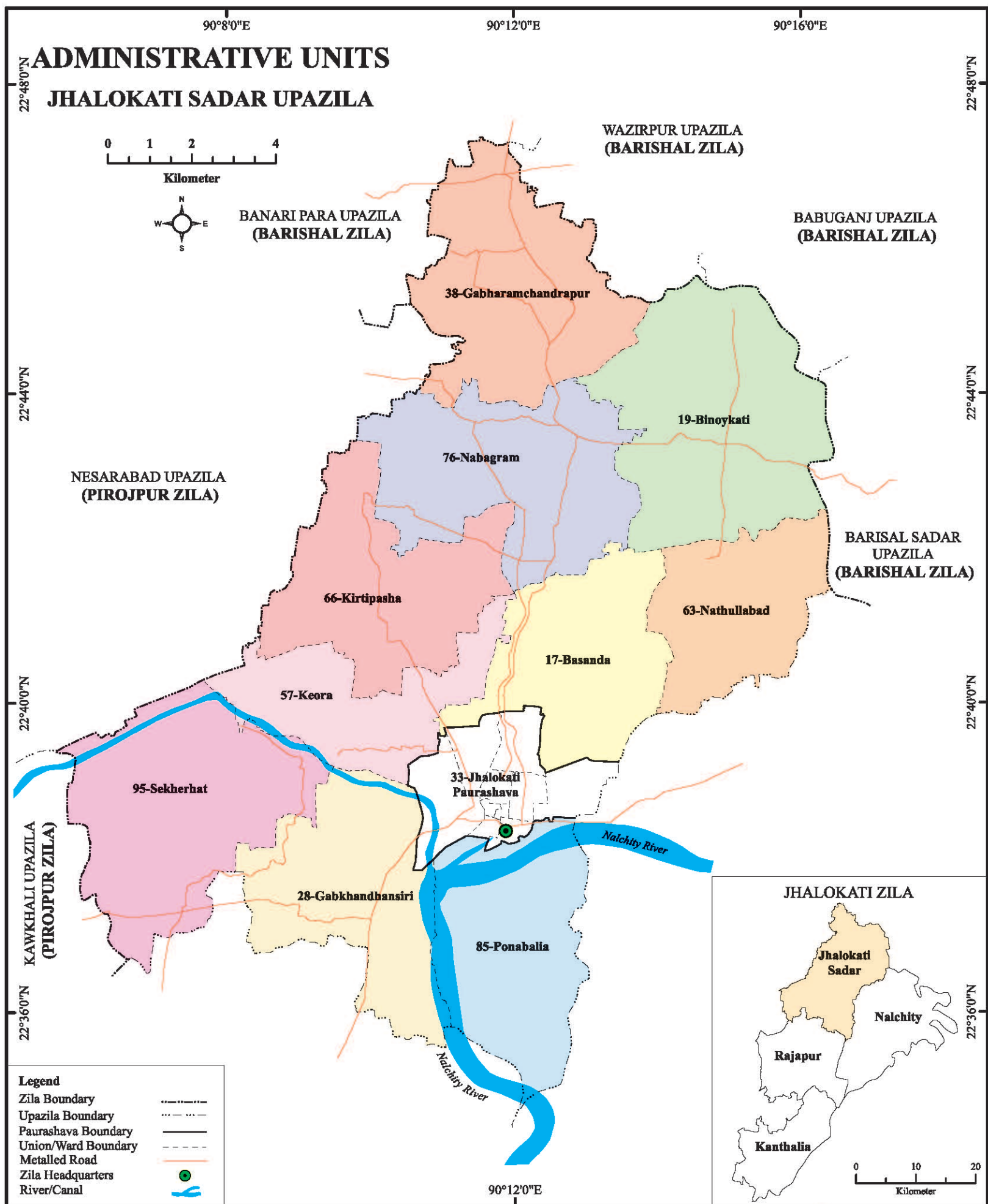
Jhalokati came into existence as a sub-division of Barisal zila in 1972. It was upgraded to a zila on February 1, 1984. It is generally believed that the present area of the zila headquarters was full of dense forest. Once a group of **Jelay** (meaning fisherman in Bengali) settled here by **cutting** the forest. The name of the zila is said to have been derived from the combination of the above words **Jelay** and **Cutting**. Jhalokati zila is situated on the bank of the Sugandha River. It is bounded on the north and east by Barisal zila, on the south by Barguna zila and on the west by Pirojpur zila. It lies between 22°20' and 22°47' north latitudes and between 90°01' and 90°23' east longitudes. The total area of the zila is 706.76 sq. km (272.88 sq. miles). The administrative units of the Jhalokati district is given below in a table 3.1.

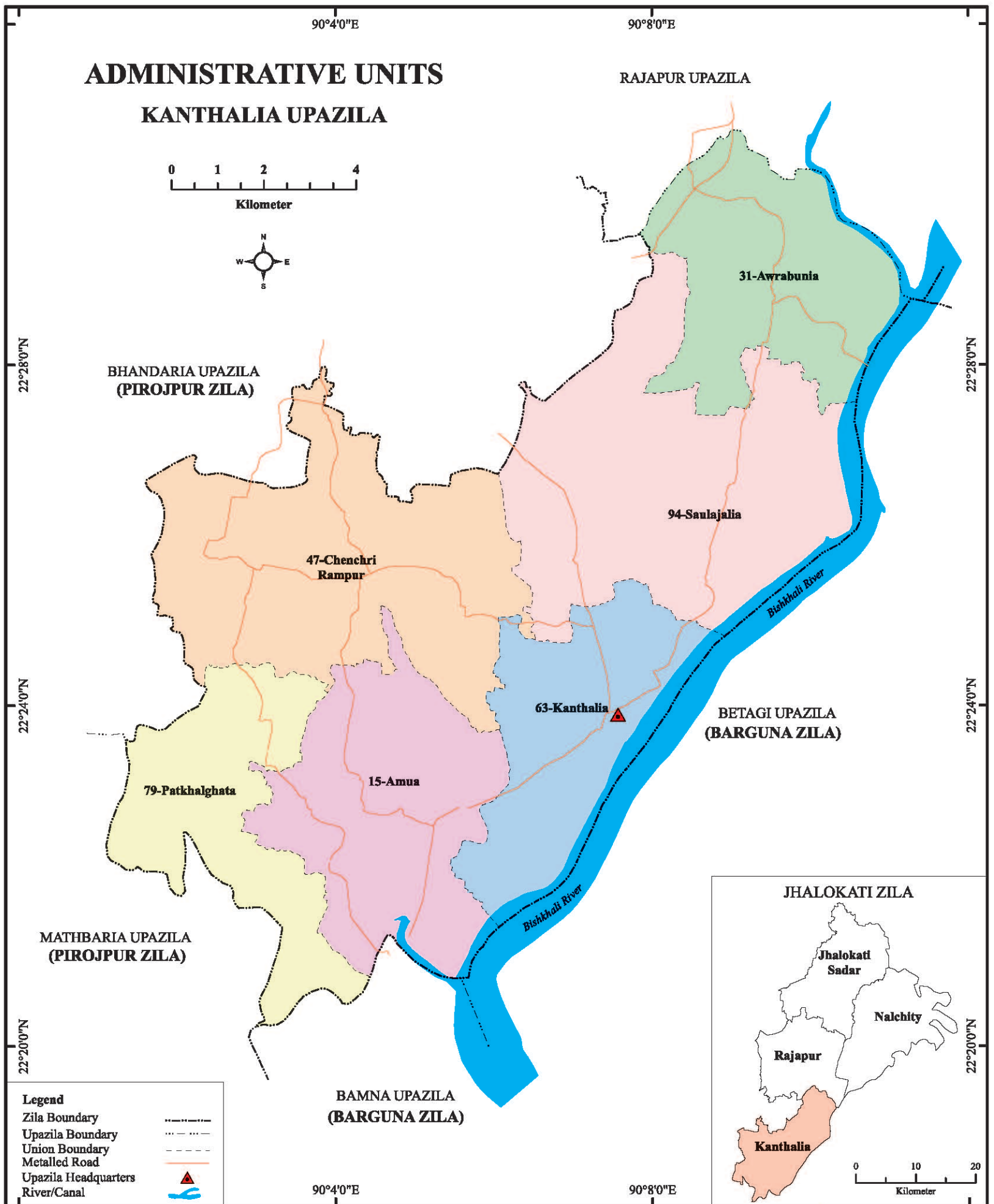
Table 3.1: The administrative units of Jhalokati district

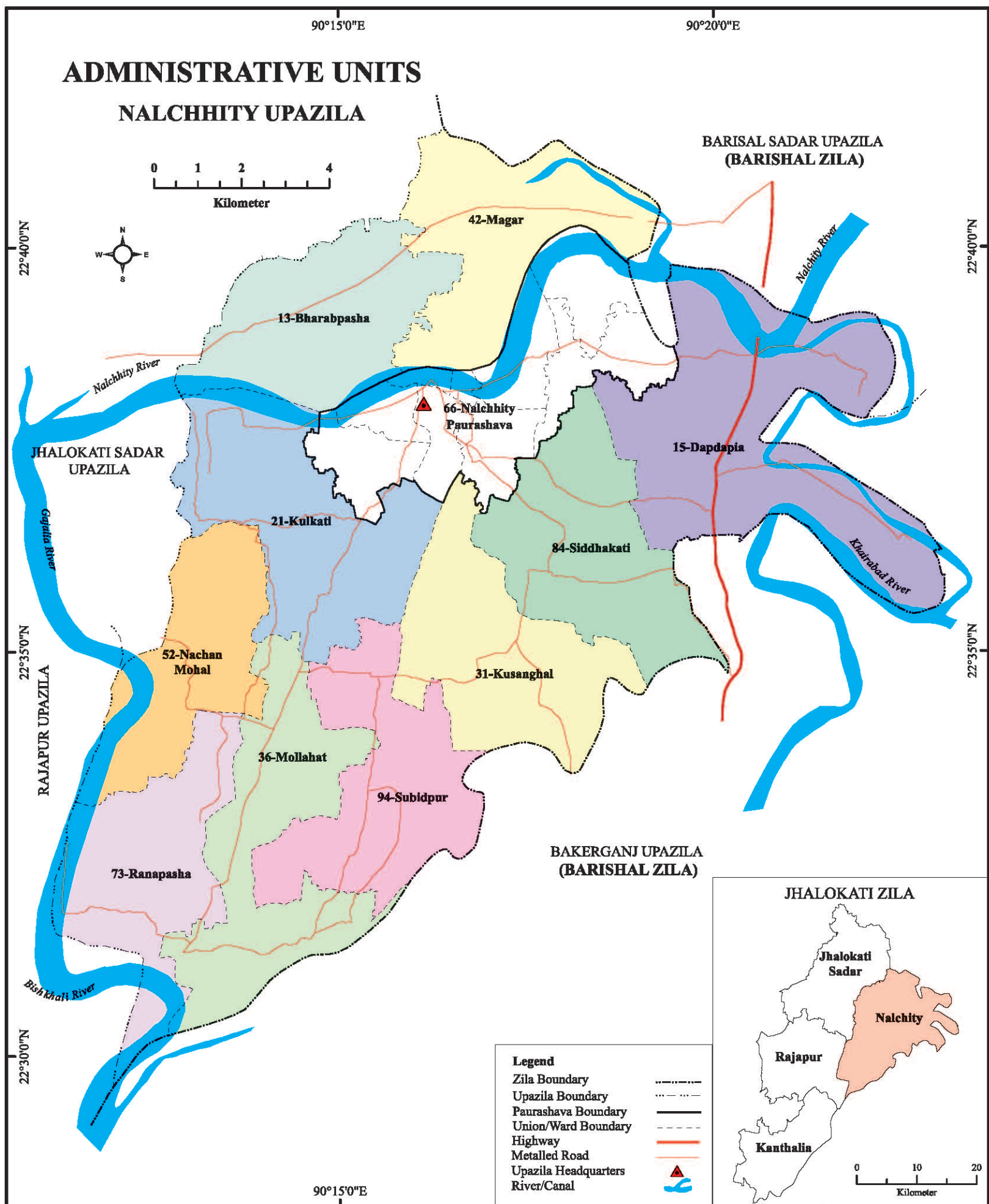
Administrative Unit	Units
Upazila/Thana	4
Union	32
Mauza	396
Village	455
Paurashava	2
Paura Ward	18
Paura Mahallah	68

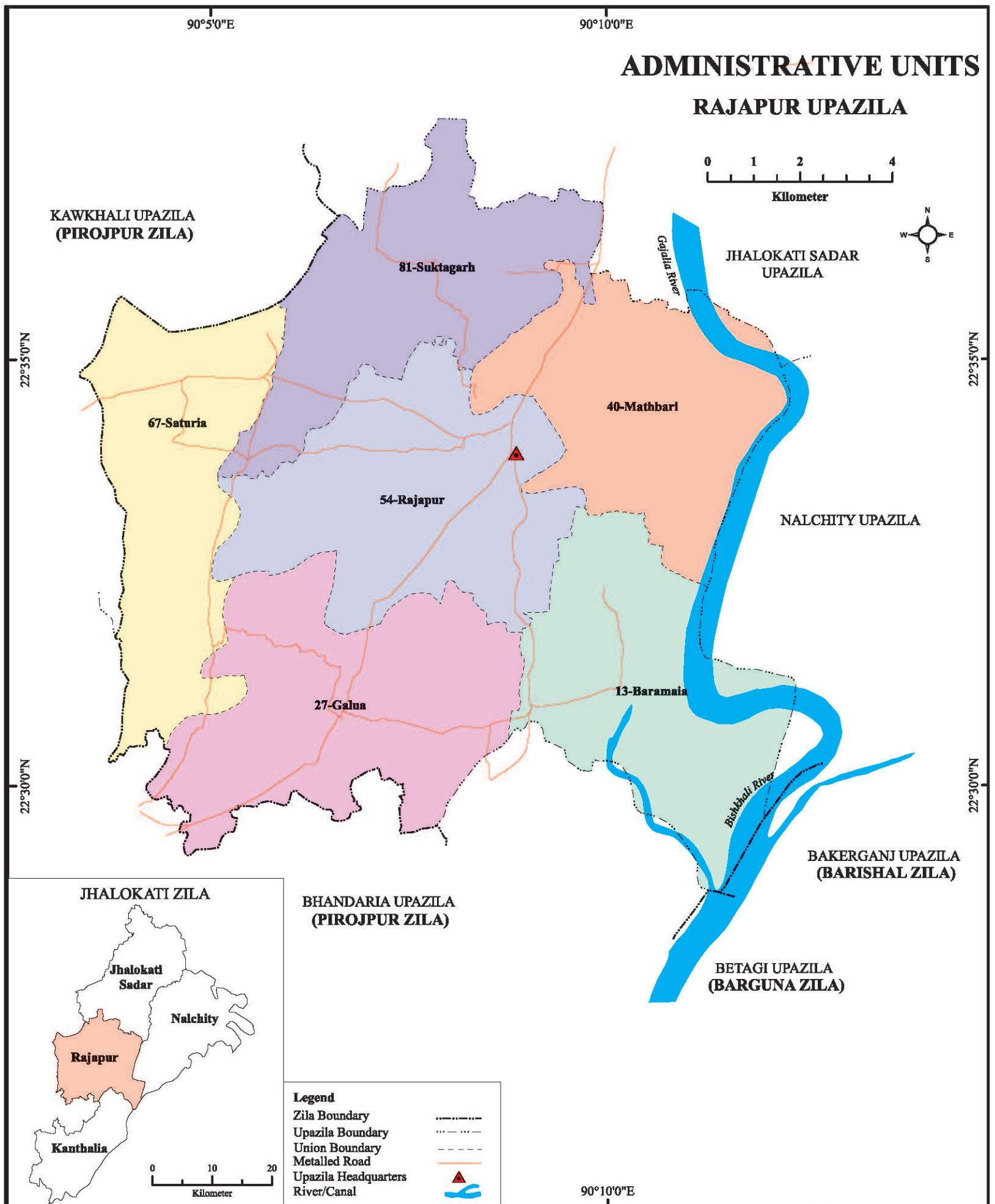
**Geography and
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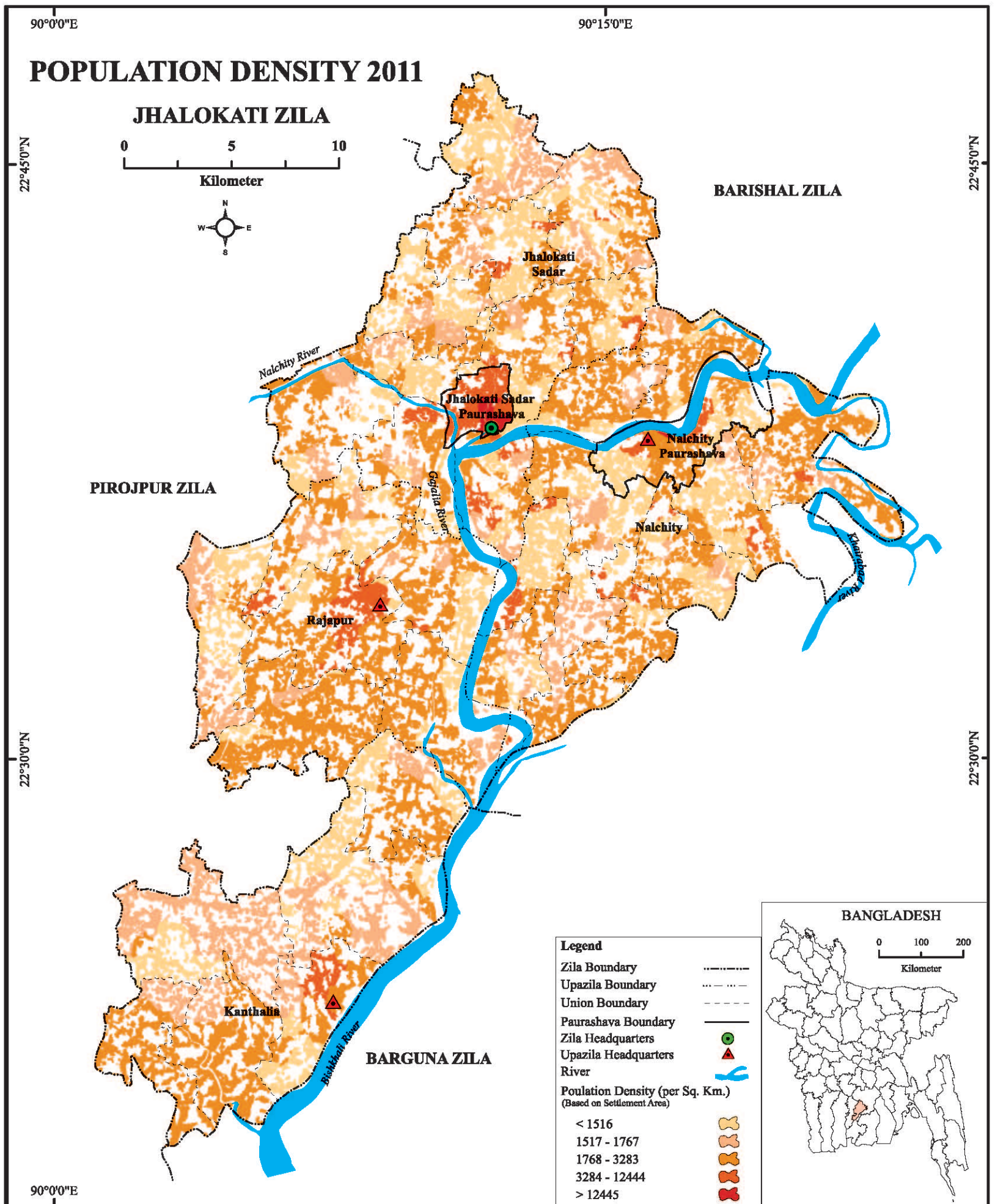
3.2 Population and Households

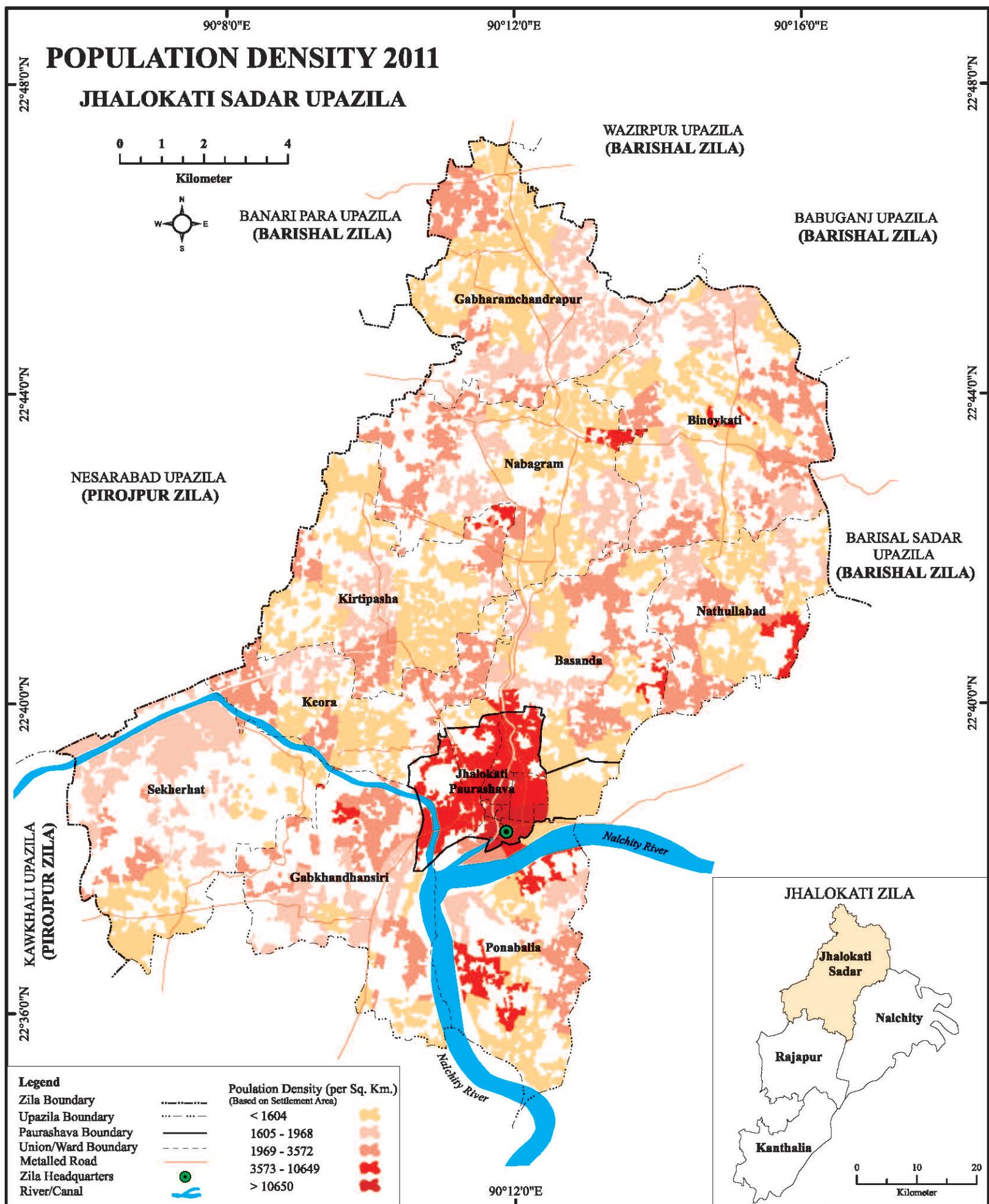
The total population of Jhalokati was 682669, where only 84834 people live in urban area, 27169 in other urban and rest of the 570666 people live in rural area. however, the annual growth rate (-0.17%) of the population shows the negative value than the previous census year (0.41 in 2001). The following table gives an statistics of population with number of households and male female ratio.

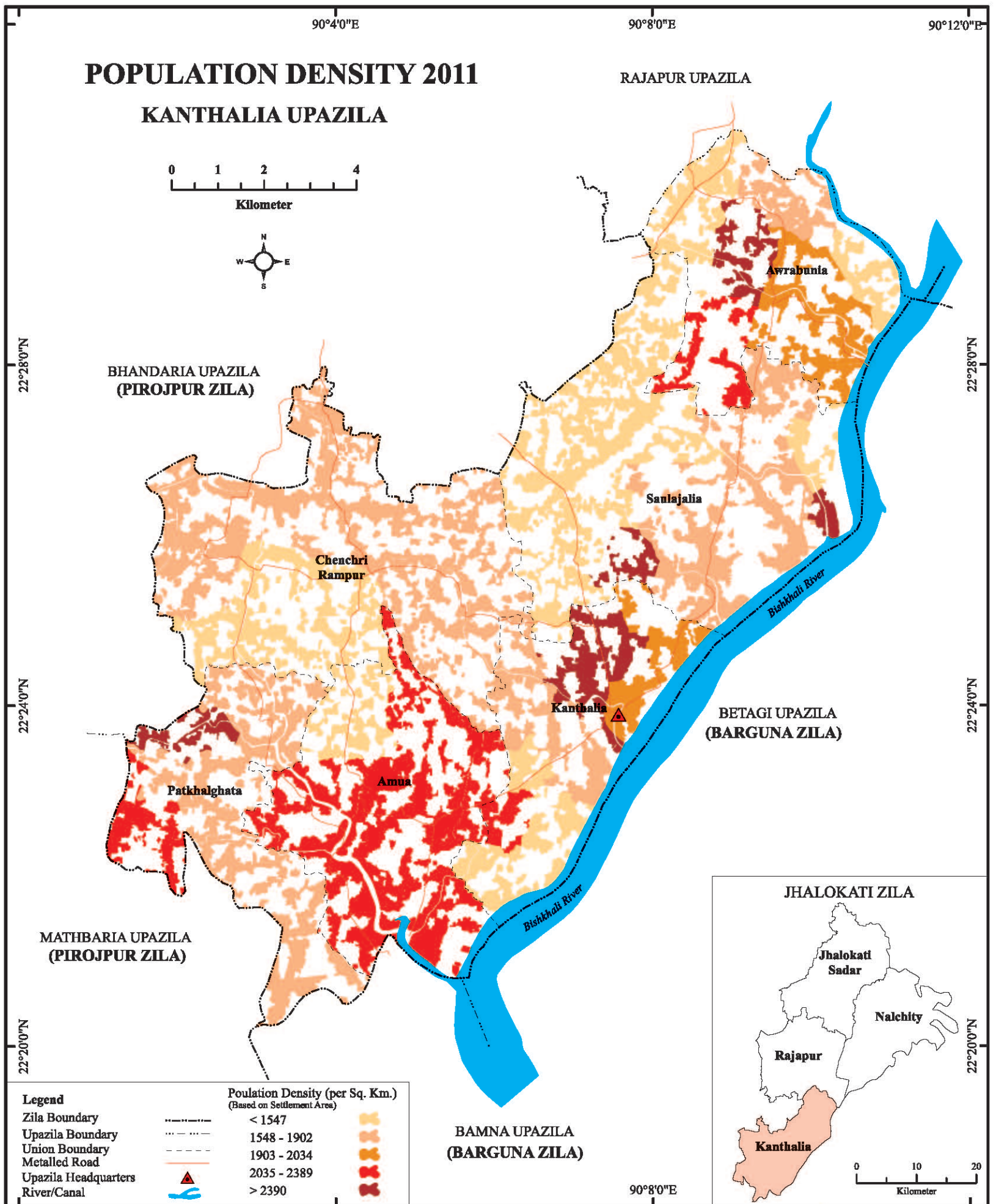
Table 3.2: Number of households, population and density 2011

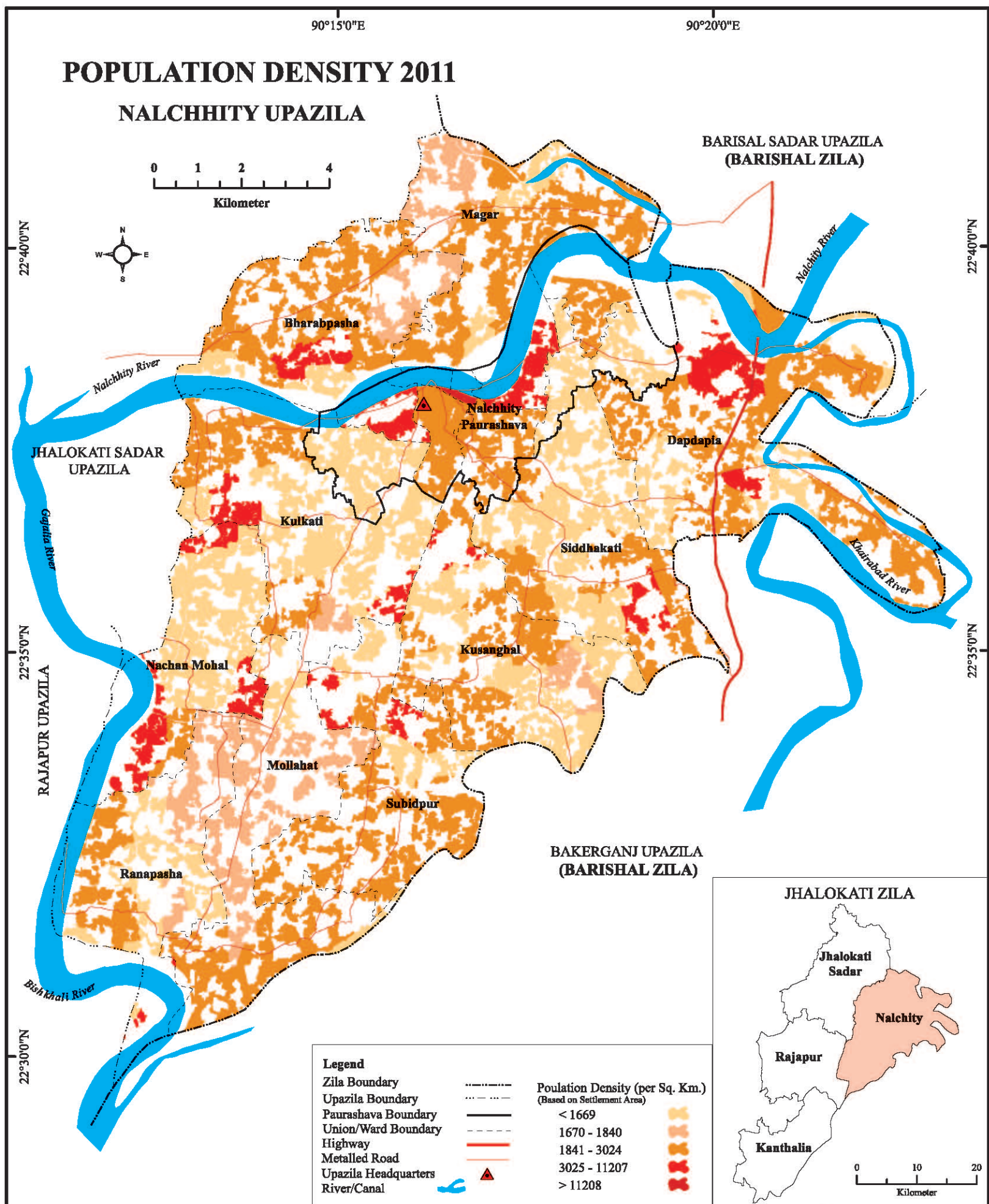
Upazila	Household	Population (000)			Sex ratio (M/F)	Average size of household	Density per sq. km.
		Male	Female	Both sex			
Jhalokati Sadar	50315	105	111	216	95	4.27	1357
Kanthalia	30855	61	64	125	95	4.03	821
Nalchity	43066	92	102	194	91	4.48	836
Rajapur	33903	71	77	148	92	4.37	902
Total	158139	329	354	683	93	4.30	966

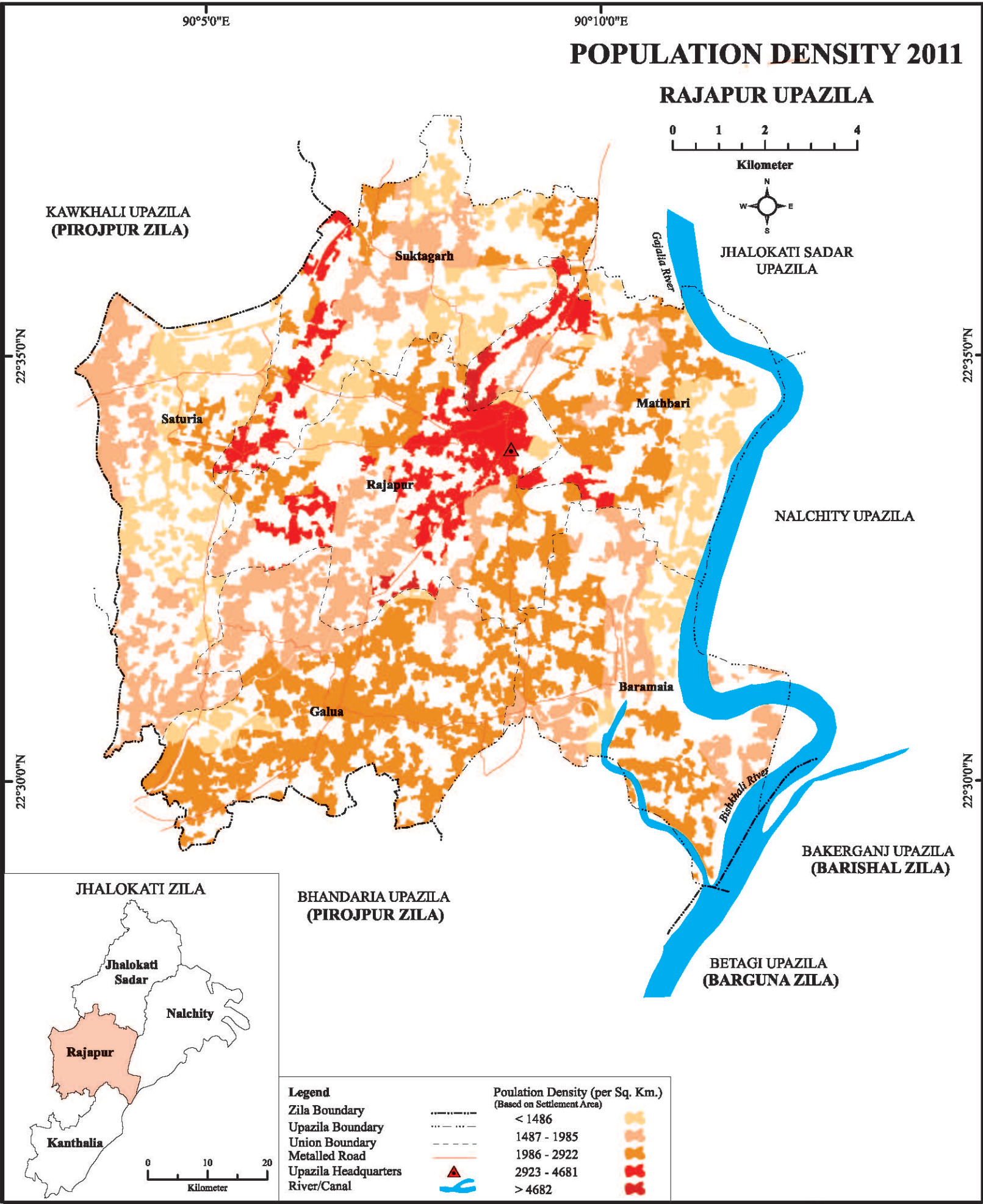
Population and Households











3.3 Climate

The climate of this District belongs to tropical climate. A good amount of rainfall in summer and a very little in winter makes the district very healthy. This climate is considered to be Aw according to the Köppen-Geiger climate classification. The average annual temperature in Jhalokati is 26.0 °C. The rainfall here averages 2165 mm. The temperatures are highest on average in May, at around 30.1 °C. January is the coldest month, with temperatures averaging 19.1 °C.

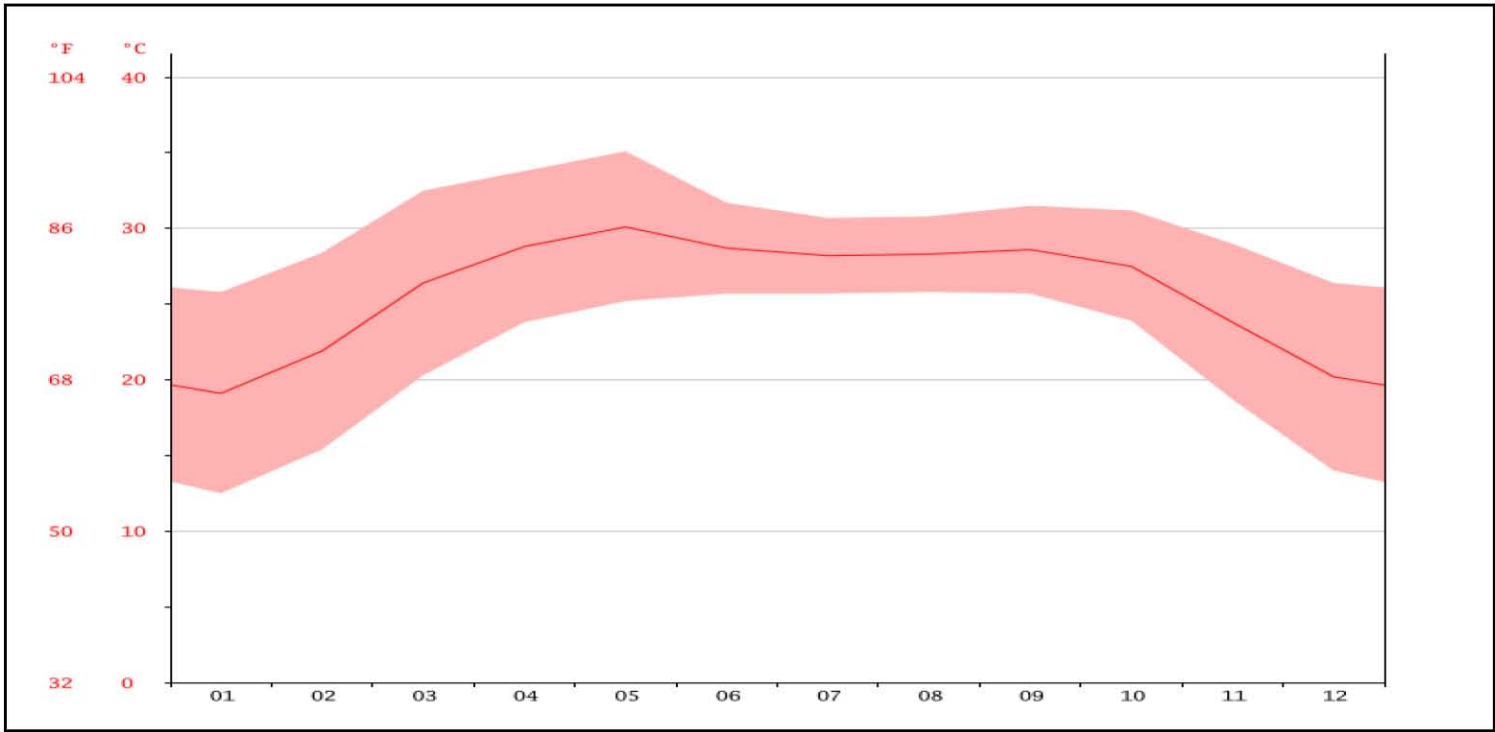


Table 3.3: The climatic variables of the Jhalokati district (After BMD, 2016)

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Avg. Temperature (°C)	19.1	21.9	26.4	28.8	30.1	28.7	28.2	28.3	28.6	27.5	23.8	20.2
Min. Temperature (°C)	12.5	15.4	20.3	23.8	25.2	25.7	25.7	25.8	25.7	23.9	18.7	14
Max. Temperature (°C)	25.8	28.4	32.5	33.8	35.1	31.7	30.7	30.8	31.5	31.2	29	26.4
Precipitation / Rainfall (mm)	11	22	46	100	209	421	447	391	290	178	40	10

The colour gradient shows the temperature and precipitation intensity.

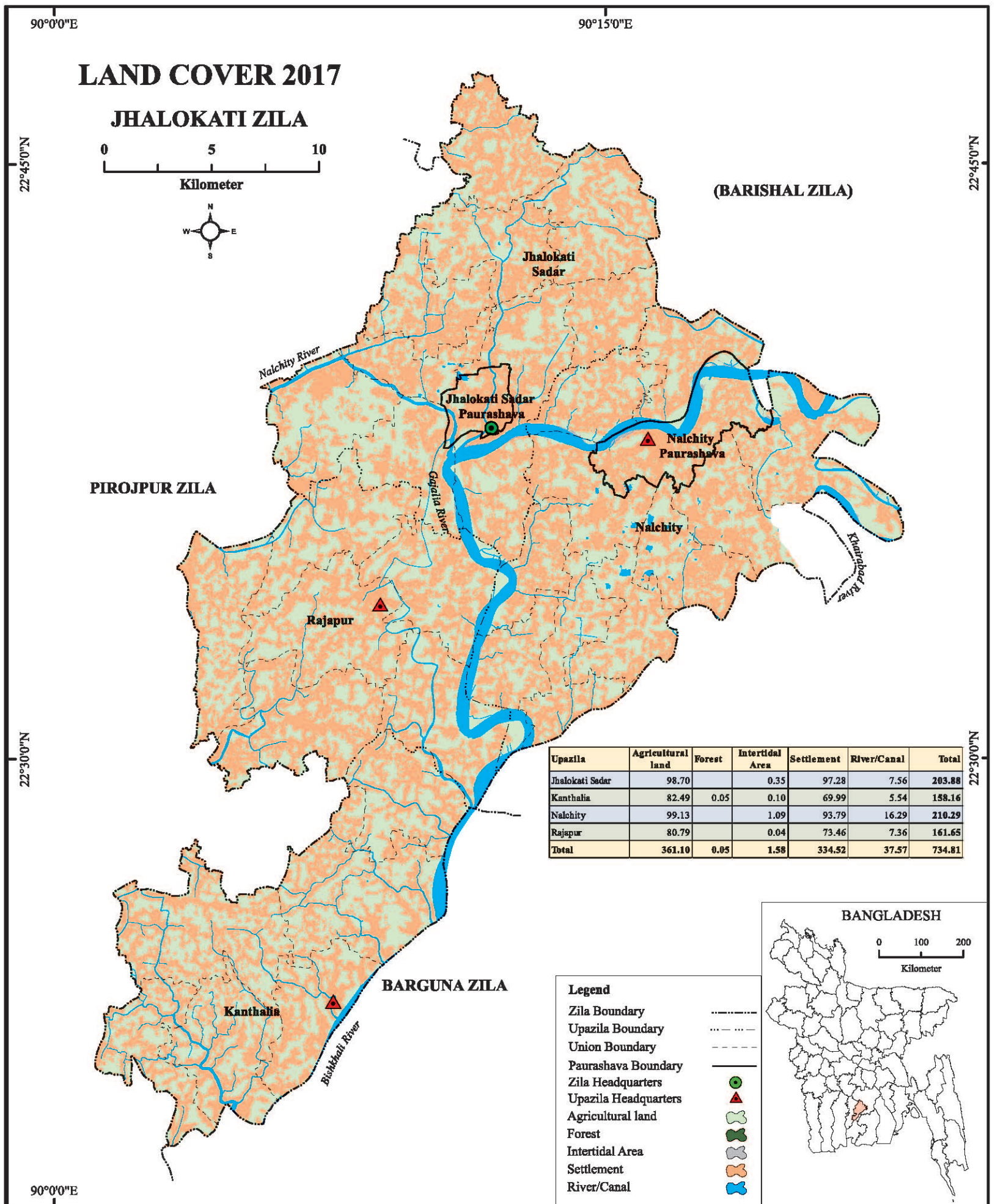
3.4 Land cover

Jhalokati District is a land locked area having two main river named Gajalia and Bishkhali river and these two rivers are flowing from North to South. However, there is no forest area in this district.

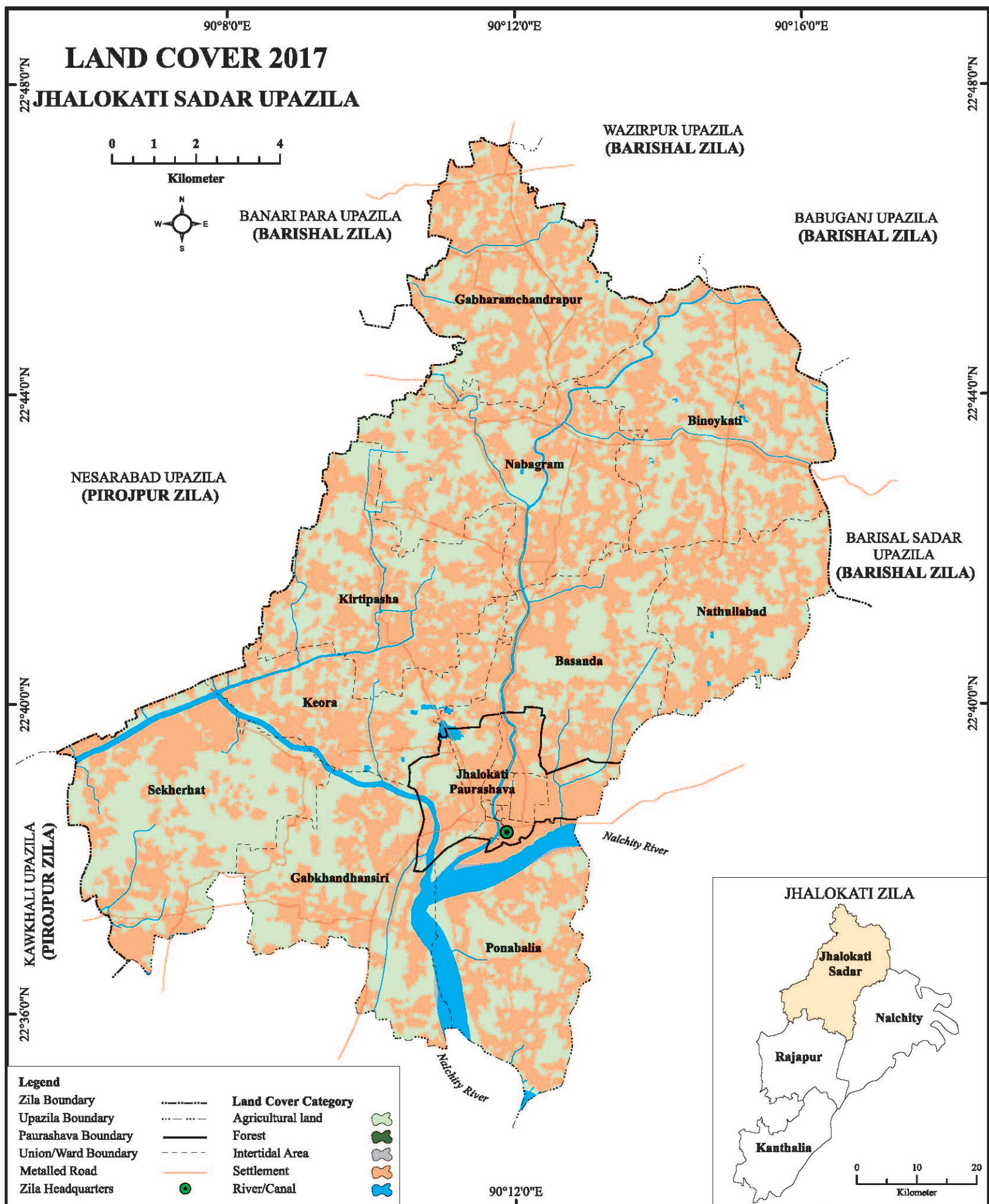
Table 3.4: Land area distribution to different upazilas of Jhalokati district (in sq km)

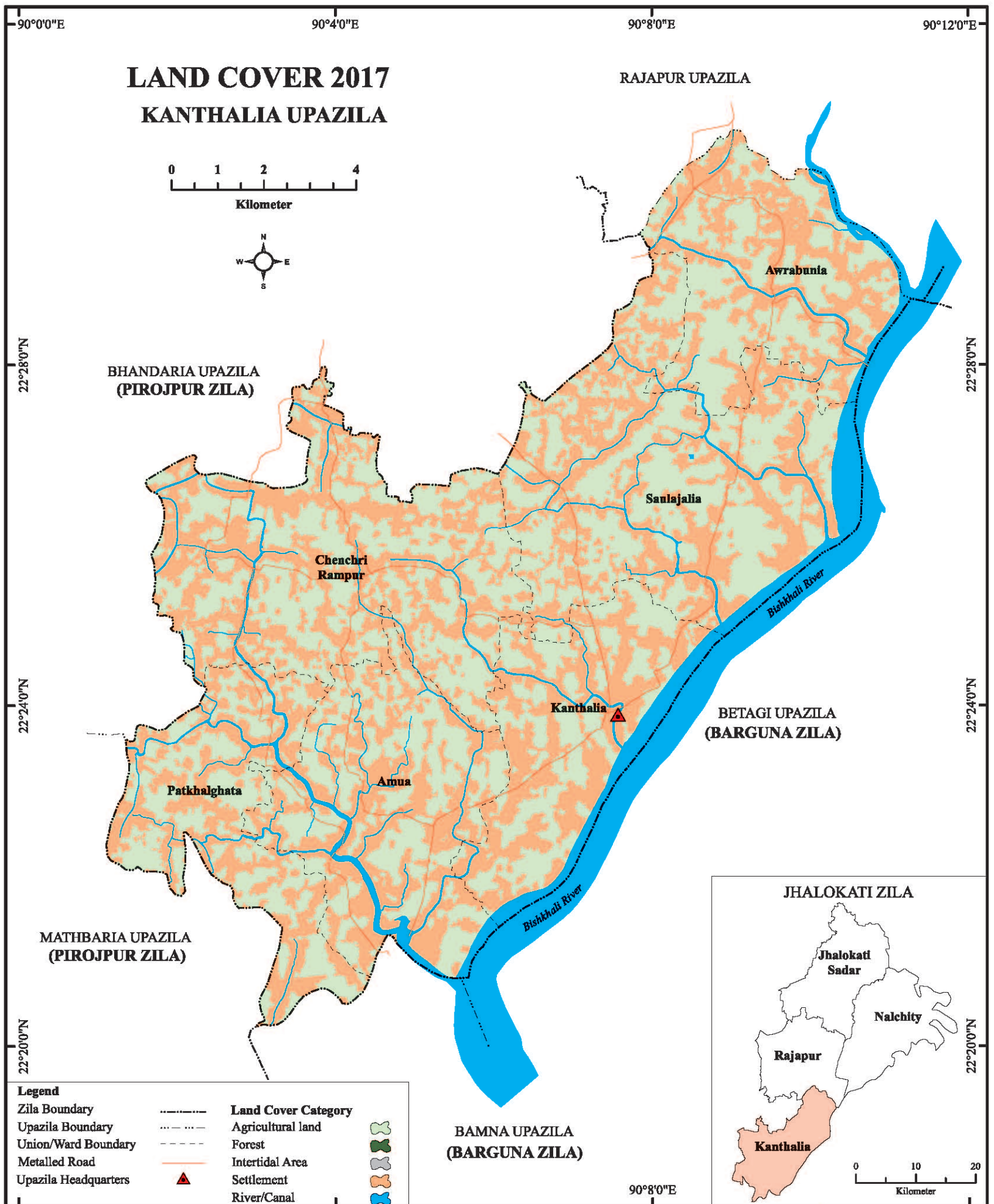
Upazila	Land area	Percentage	Reserved Forest	Percentage	Riverine Area	Percentage	Total area
Jhalokati Sadar	154.37	96.81	0	0	5.08	3.19	159.45
Kanthalia	145.26	96.01	0	0	6.03	3.99	151.29
Nalchity	218.7	94.50	0	0	12.72	5.50	231.42
Rajapur	155.52	94.50	0	0	9.06	5.50	164.58
Total	673.87	95.35	0	0	32.89	4.65	706.76

Land Cover Area Map

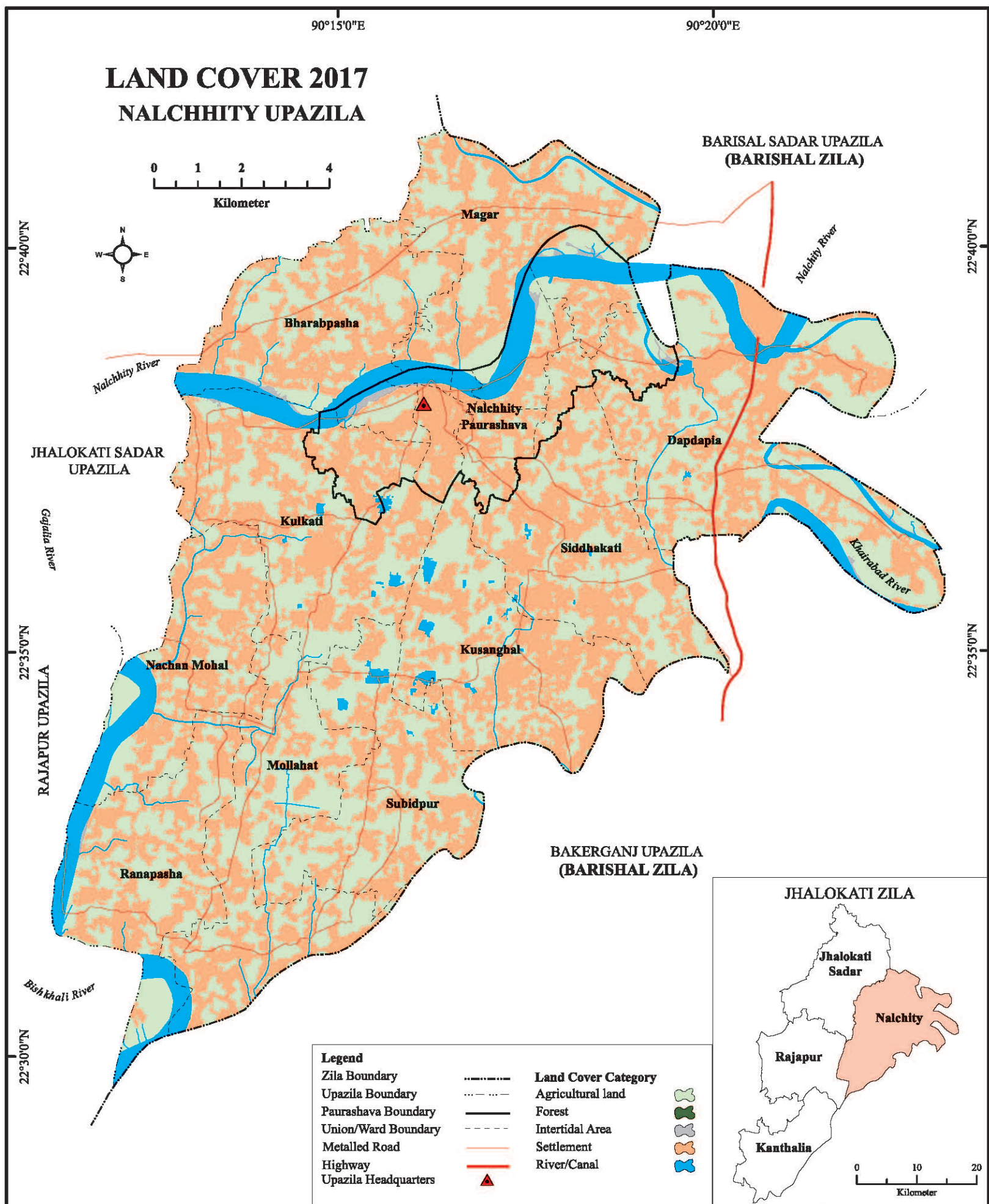


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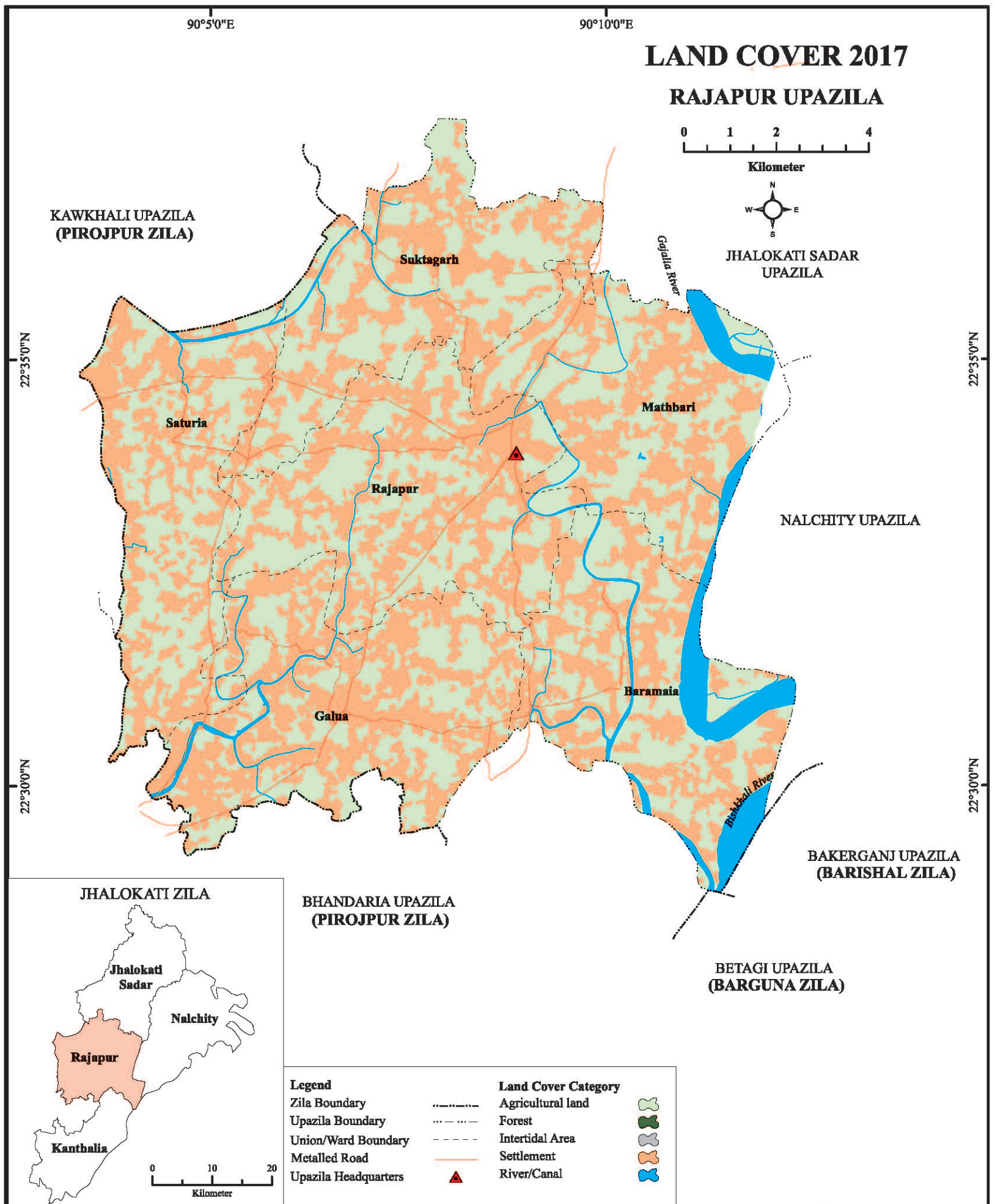




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3.5 Education

The literacy rate of Jhalokati District is 66.7% in 2011, which was increased from previous census year. In 1981 the literacy rate was 45.5%. in 1991 the literacy rate was 51.3% and in 2001 it was 65.3%. the following table shows upazila wise total distribution of various educational institutes from both government and non-government agencies.

Table 3.5 : Distribution of educational institutes of Jhalokati District.

Institute type	Jhalokati Sadar Upazila	Kanthalia Upazila	Nalchity Upazila	Rajpur Upazila	Total
Government primary school	109	75	105	75	364
Registered primary school	48	44	53	41	186
Private (non-registered) primary school	1	0	6	1	8
Kindergarten school	3	1	12	5	21
NGO school	7	5	0	0	12
Government secondary school	2	0	0	0	2
Non-government secondary school	53	36	47	54	190
School & college (operating jointly),	2	1	0	0	3
Government college	2	0	0	0	2
Non government college	4	3	7	5	19
Madrasah	22	30	31	40	123
Kawmi madrasah	4	1	6	9	20
Ebtedayee madrasah	26	5	5	3	39
Technical and vocational institution	1	1	2	1	5
Agricultural and veterinary college	1	0	0	0	1
Total	285	202	274	234	995

3.6 Health facilities

There are 108 physicians, 15 MBBS/FCPS Doctors, 57 LMF, 21 Unani/ayurvedic and 59 Homeopathy practitioners trying to keep the population safe from different diseases. Though the numbers are not good enough but government took various projects to increase the health facilities and invited different non-government agencies to perform health related activities over there. The following table gives an ides of various number of health facilities among the upazilas.

Table 3.6: Number of health facilities in Jhalokati District.

Institute type	Jhalokati Sadar Upazila	Kanthalia Upazila	Nalchity Upazila	Rajpur Upazila	Total
Government health complex	100	31	50	50	231
Private hospital/clinic	2	0	2	2	6
Diagnostic centre	5	3	1	2	11
Health centre	4	6	10	5	25
Total	111	40	63	59	273

3.7 Transportation

Palanquin, boat and bullock-cart are the traditional transports found in the rural area of Jhalokati zila. These means of transport are either extinct or nearly extinct. Now-a-days, all the upazilas are connected with the zila headquarters with metaled roads. Bus, minibus, three wheelers ply over the zila. The following table shows the length of different road category in various upazilas of Jhalokati district.

Table 3.7: Length of various roads in Jhalokati District.

Upazila	Metalled road	Semi metalled road	Unmetalled (kacha) road	Total
Jhalokati Sadar	75	152	715	942
Kanthalia	55.01	82.34	568.84	706.19
Nalchity	101.4	179.20	340	620.6
Rajpur	119.41	76.67	581.38	777.46
Total	350.82	490.21	2205.22	3046.25

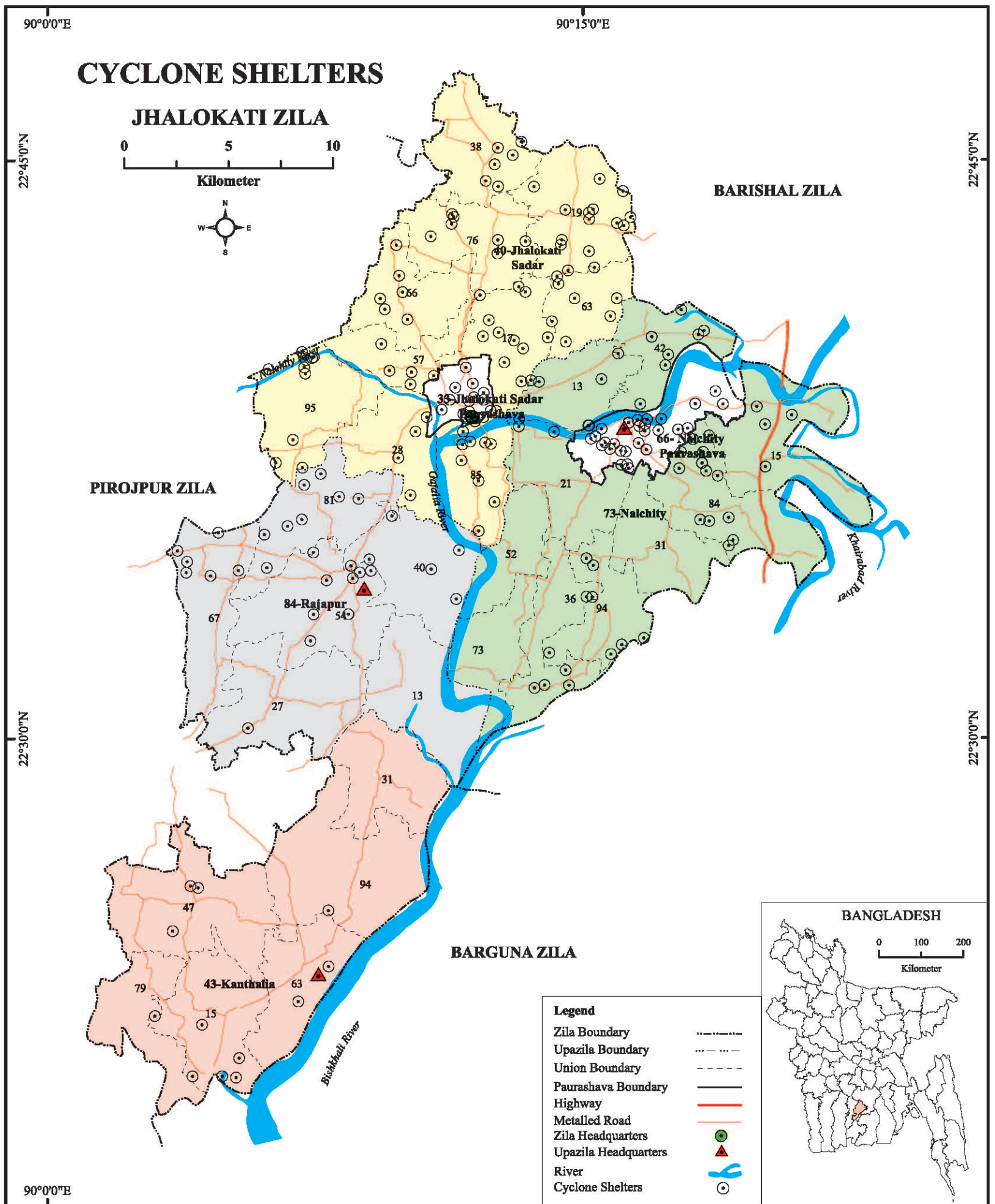
3.8 Cyclone Shelters

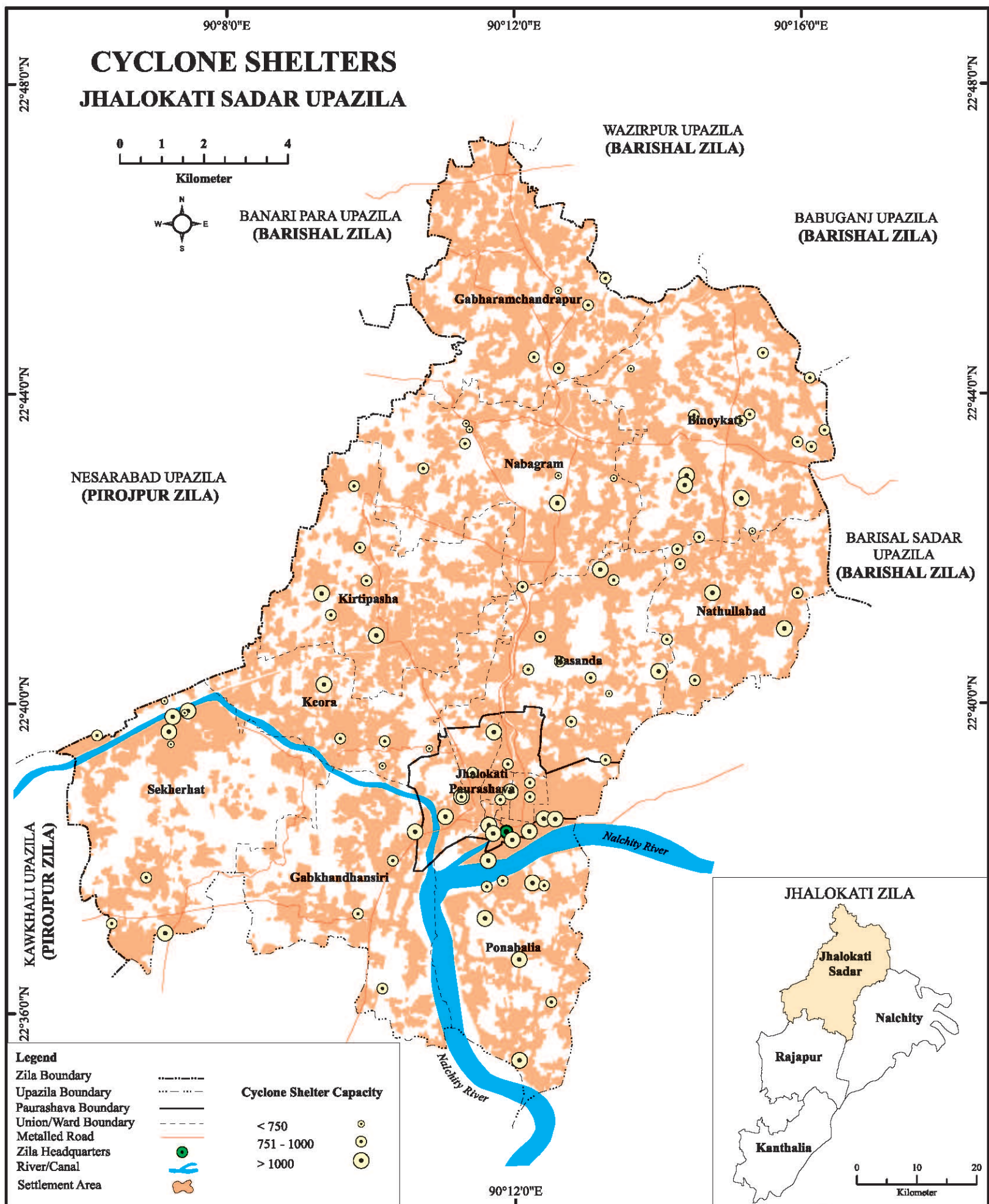
There are 220 number of infrastructures found, which are used as cyclone shelter during the emergency time. The total capacity of those shelters are only one-third of the total population of the district. The following table 3.8 gives the statistics of the cyclone shelters according to the upazilas and compare to the total population.

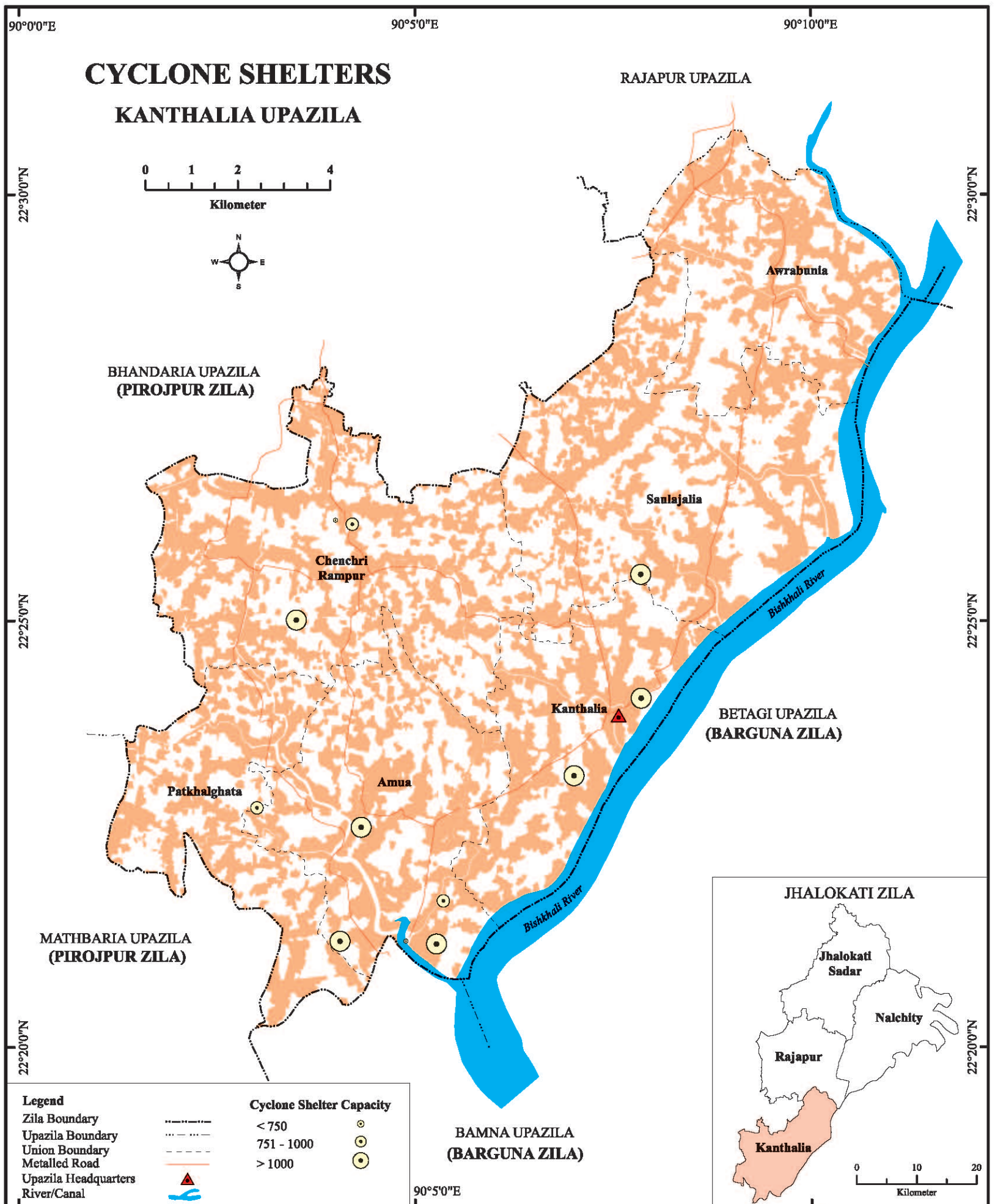
Table 3.8: Upazila specific distribution of cyclone shelters and population.

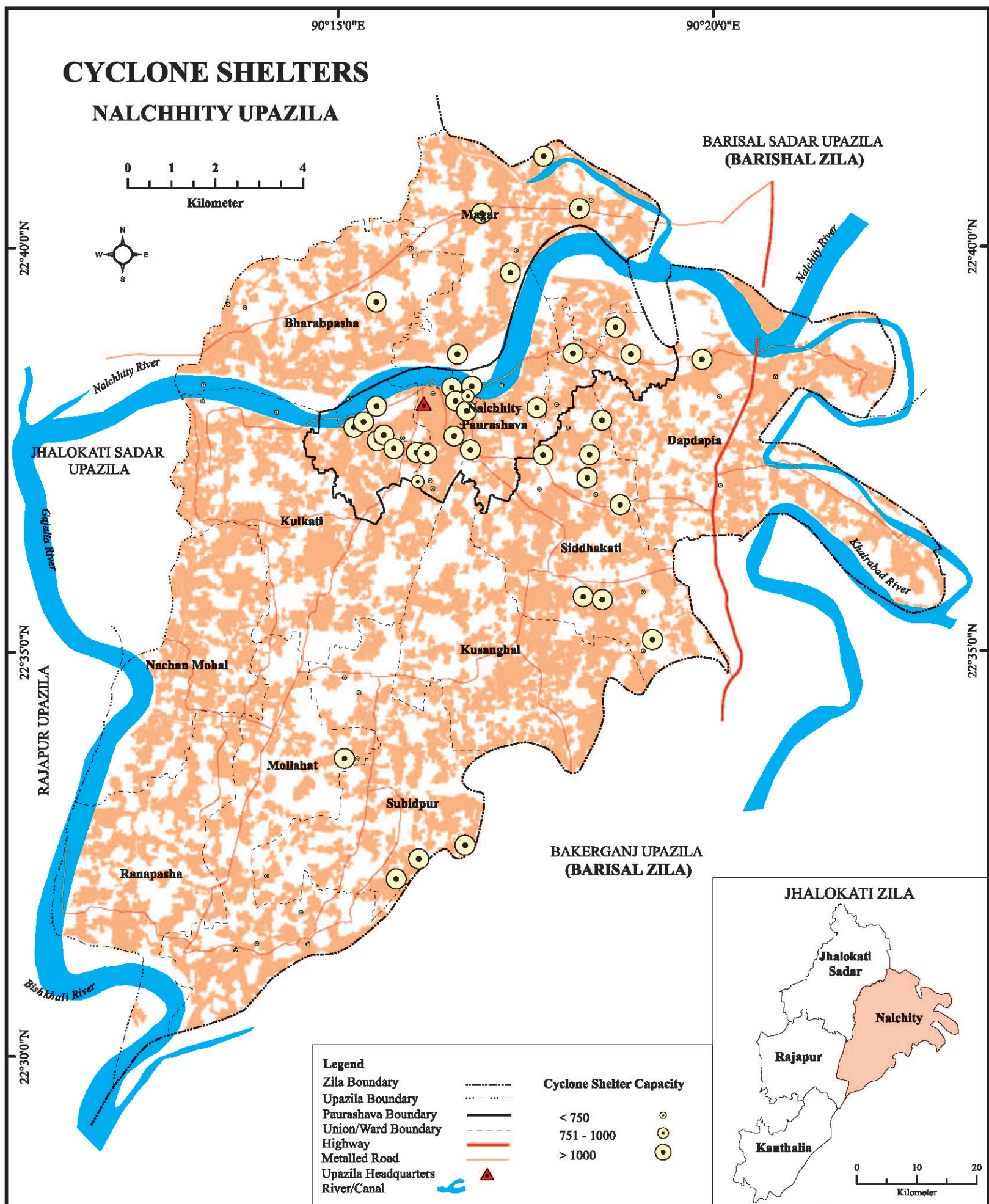
Upazila Name	Number of Cyclone Shelter	Population capacity (000)	Upazila Population (000)
Jhalokati Sadar	104	141	216
Kanthalia	12	17	125
Nalchity	74	84	194
Rajapur	30	30	148
Grand Total	220	272	683

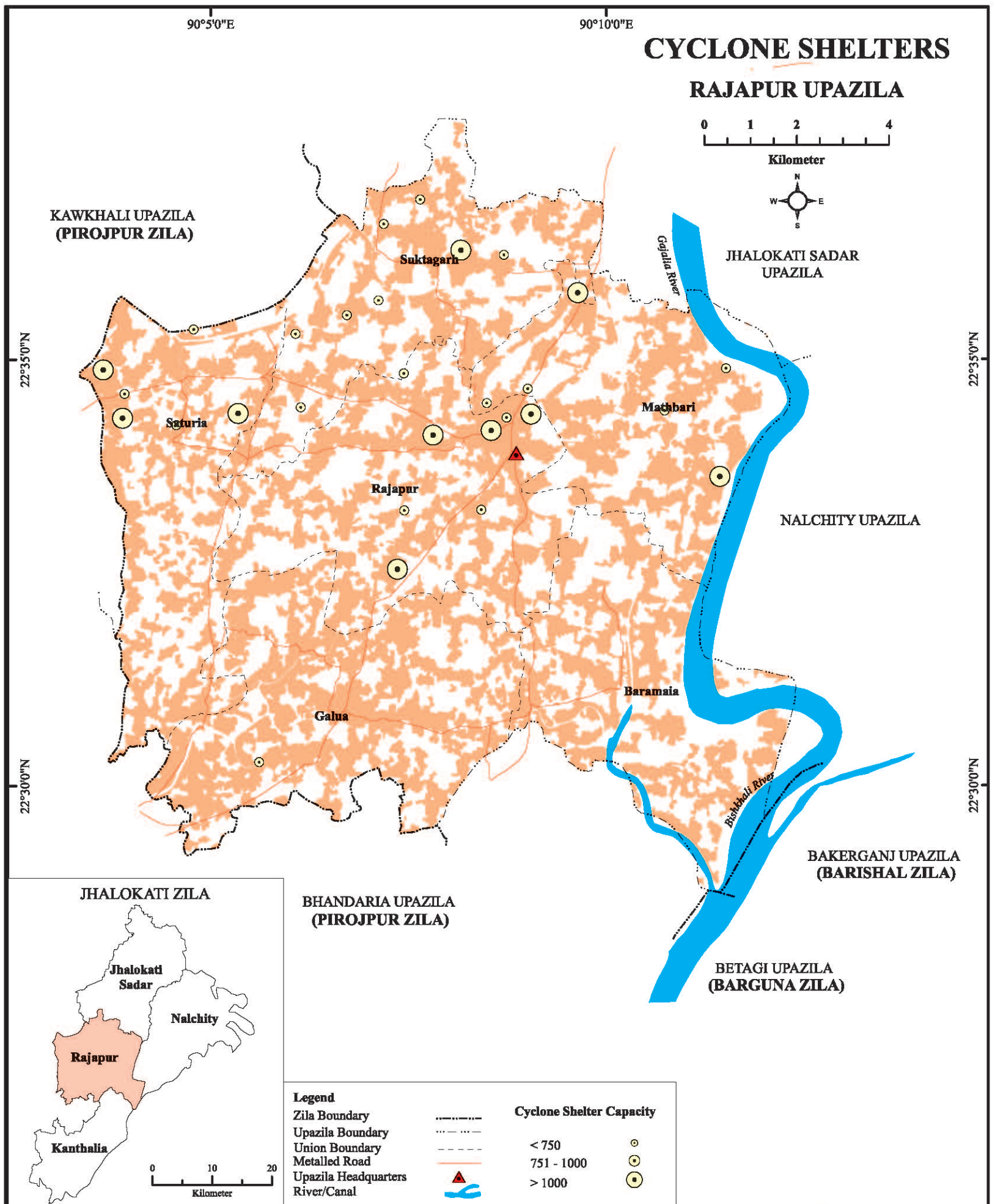
Cyclone Shelters Area Map











3.9 Poverty status

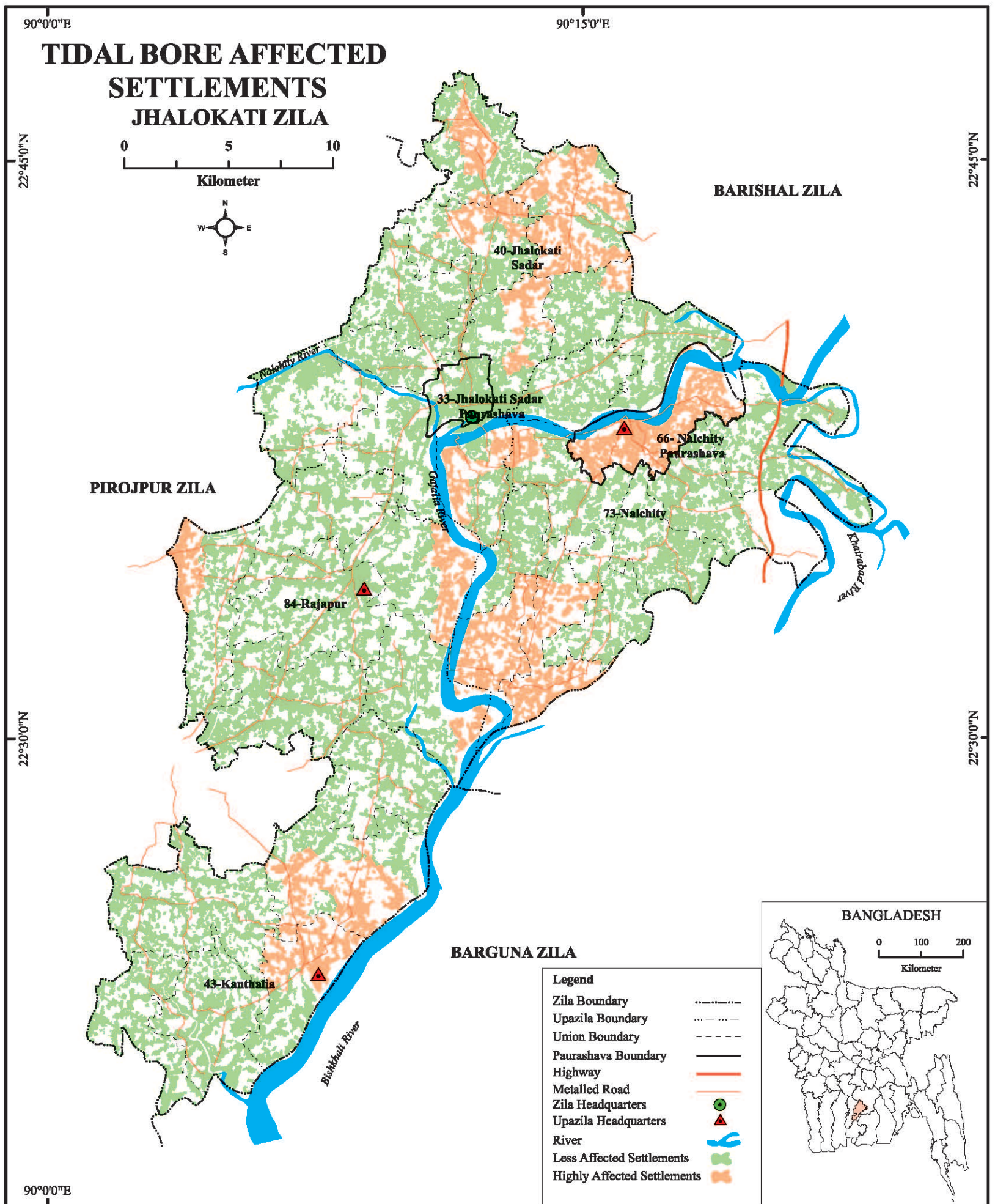
There are 26.7% people live under extreme poverty line and 40.5% people live under upper poverty line in Jhalokati. Among all the upazilas, the Natchity Upazila is the most vulnerable position. The following table shows the distribution of poverty line in various upazilas in Jhalokati district.

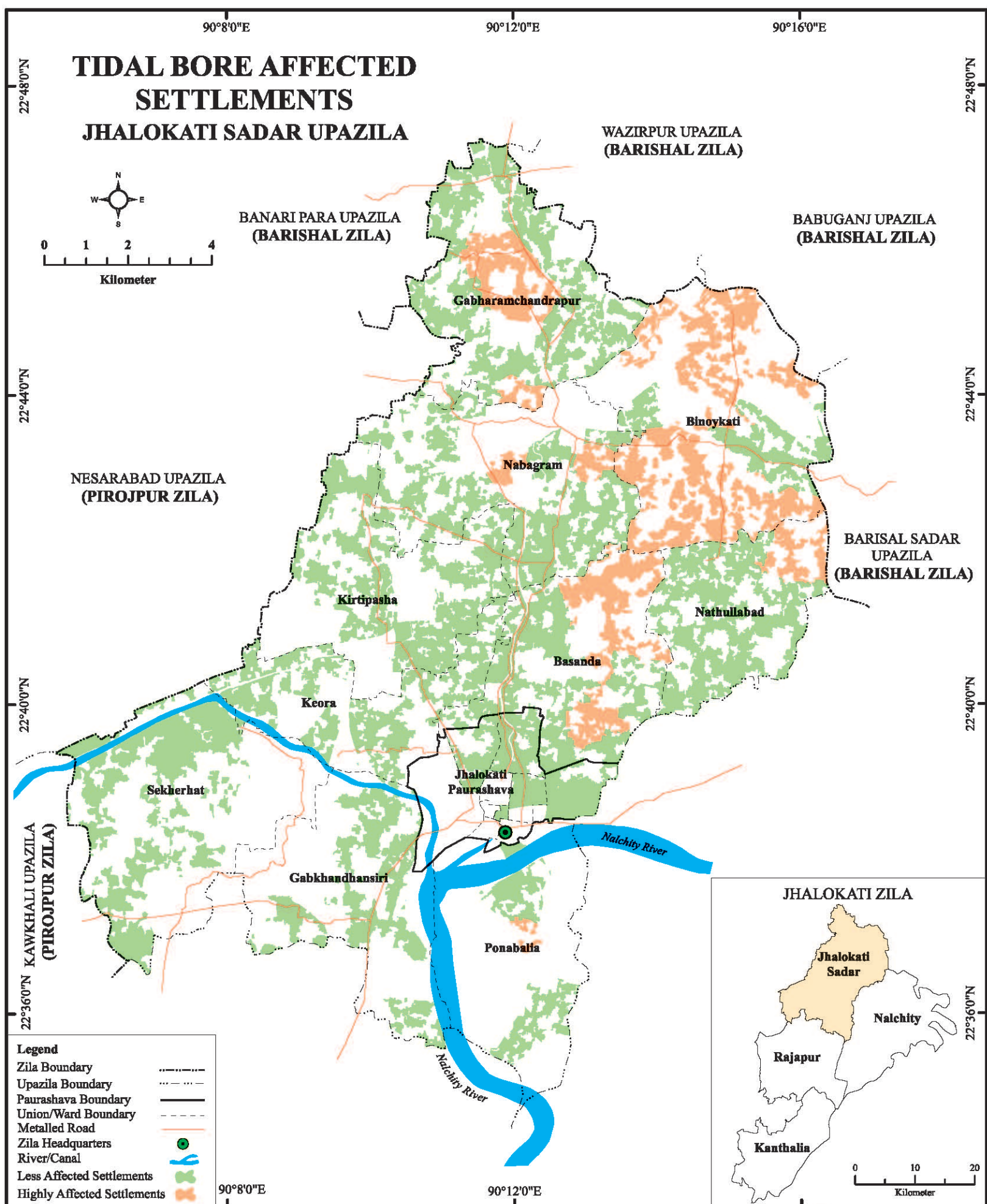
Table 3.9: Poverty status of Jhalokati district.

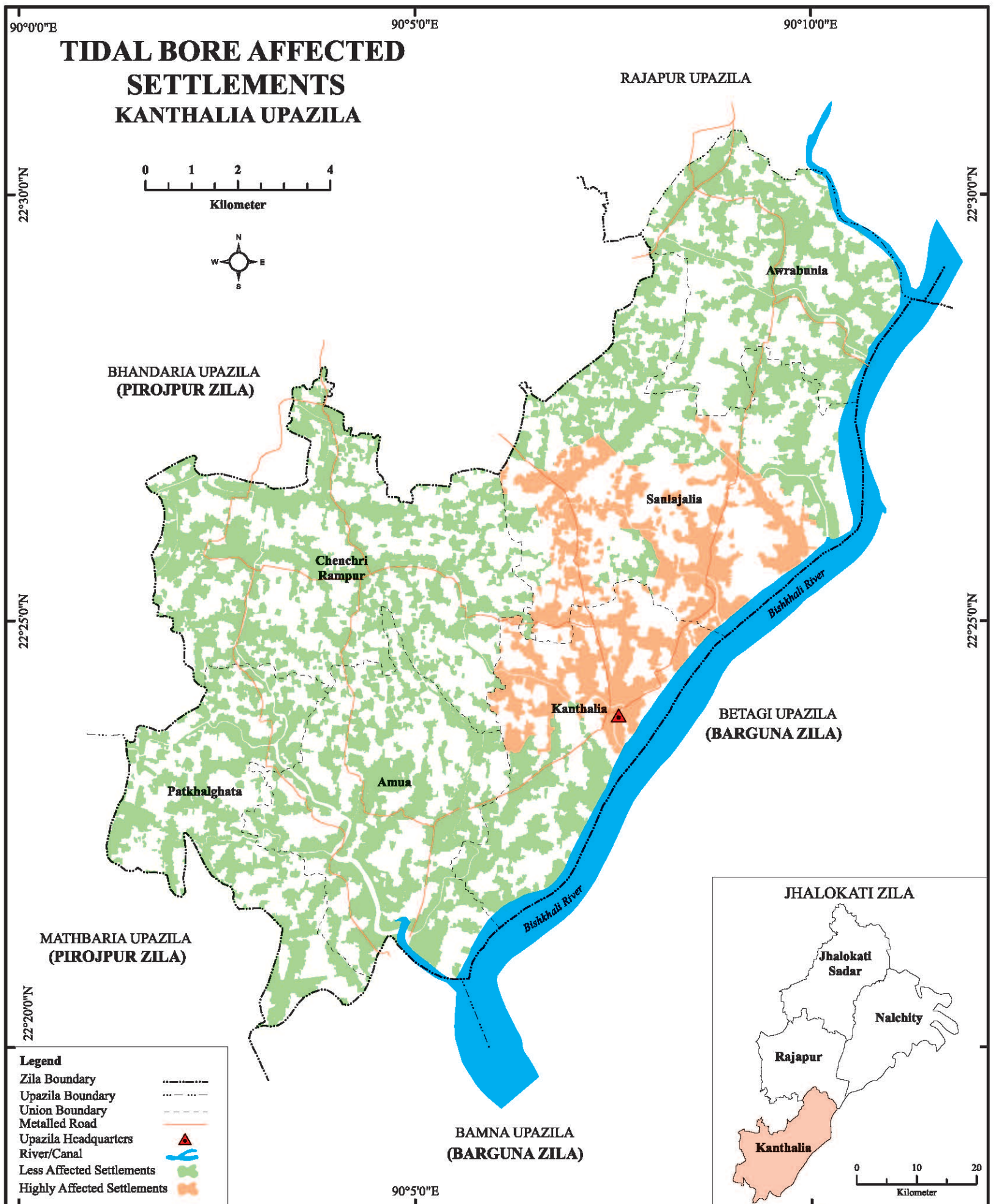
Upazila Name	% Extreme Poor (lower poverty line)	% Poor (Upper poverty line)
Jhalokati Sadar	22.3	37.7
Kanthalia	21.4	34.2
Nalchity	32.5	46.5
Rajapur	29.8	42.0
Average	26.7	40.5

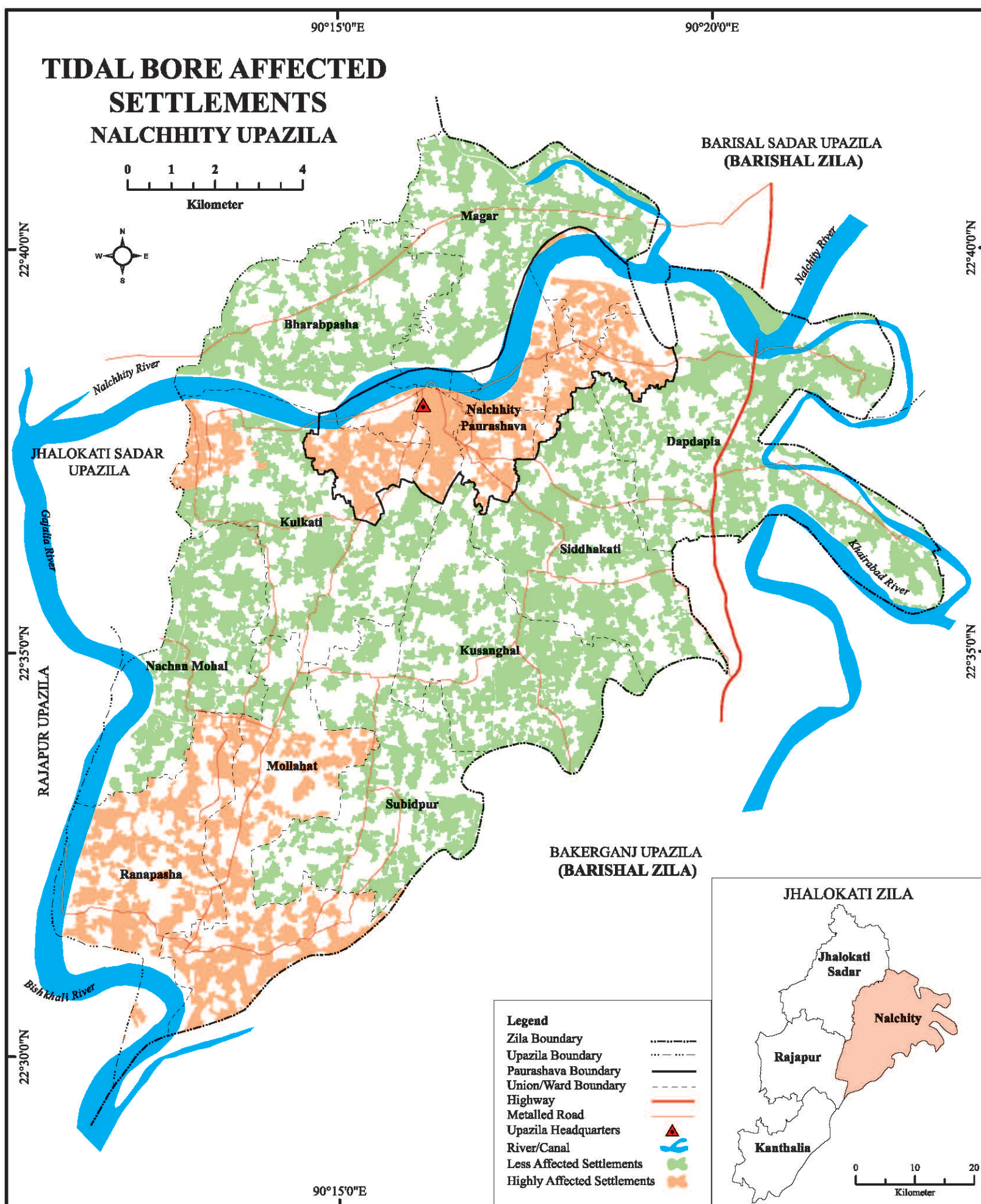
Chapter 4
**Hazard Assessment
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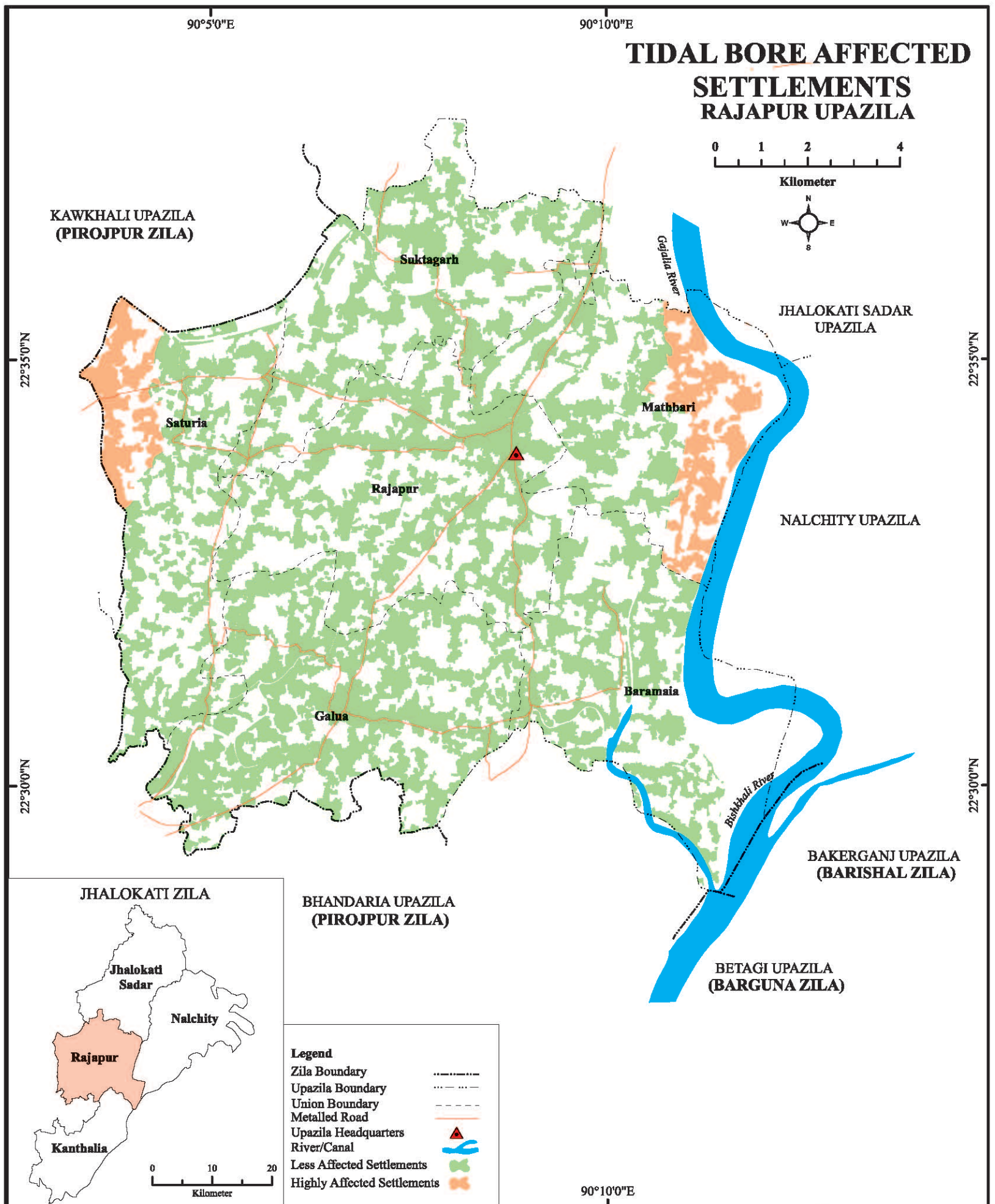
Tidal Bore Affected Area Map



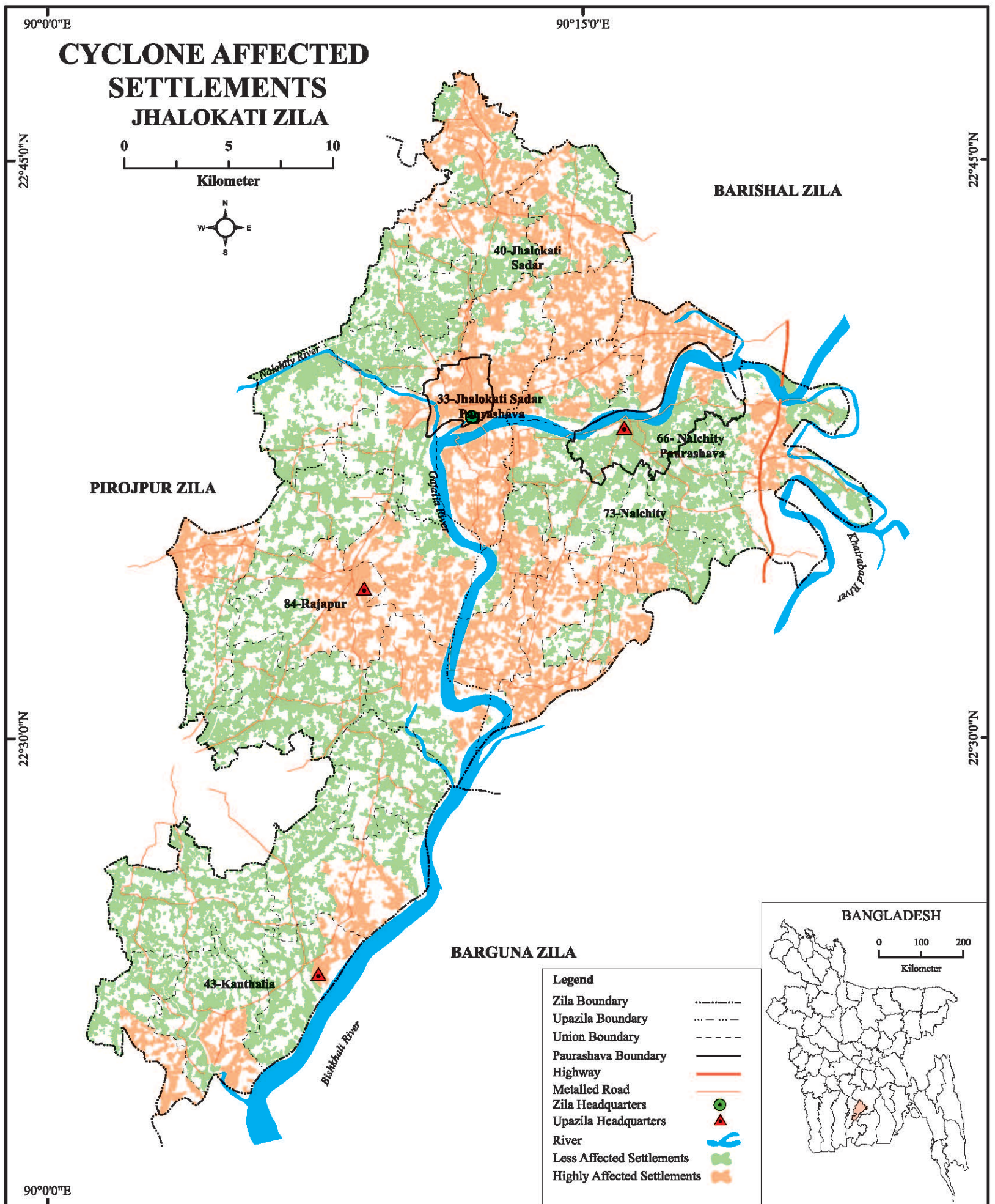


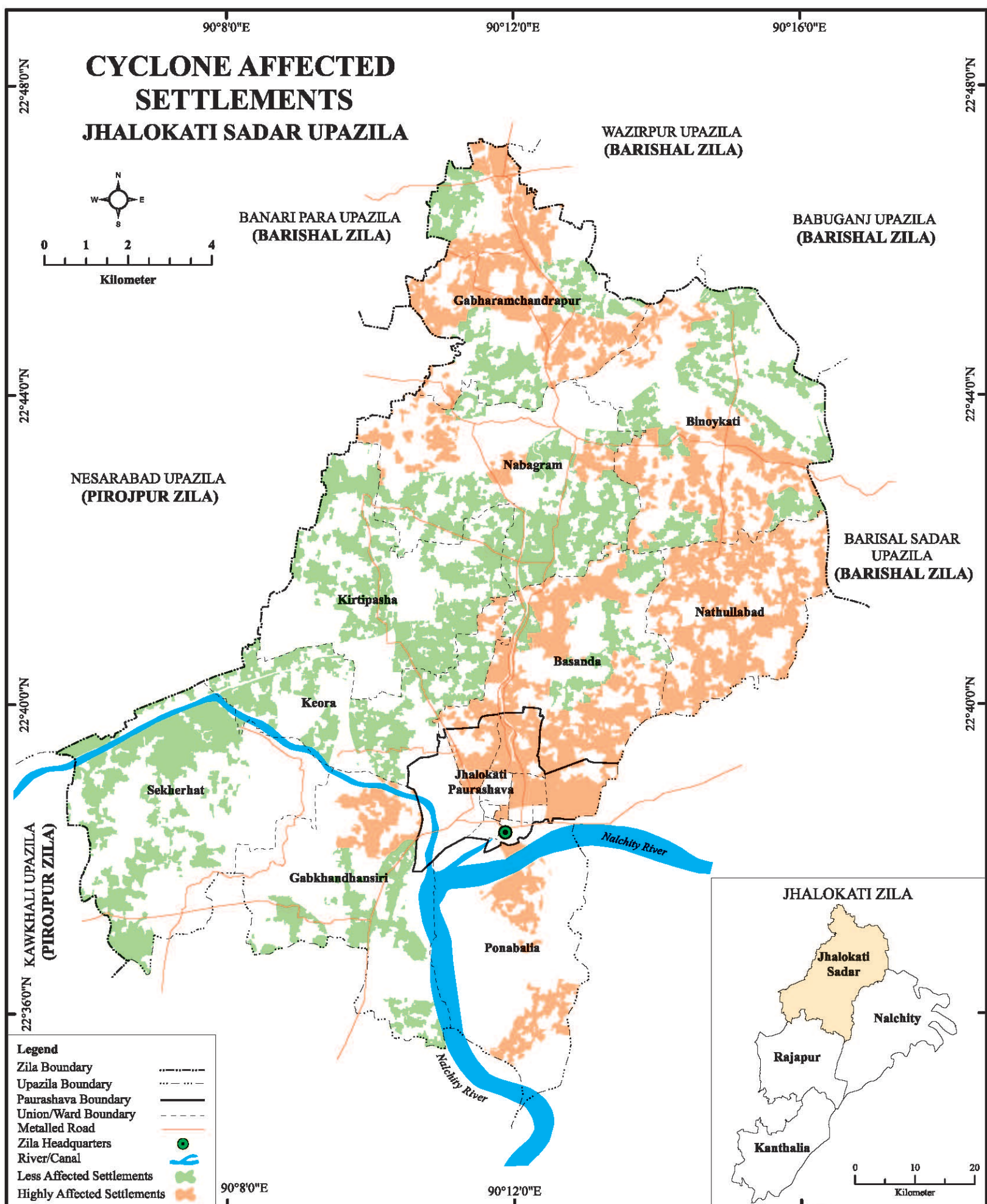


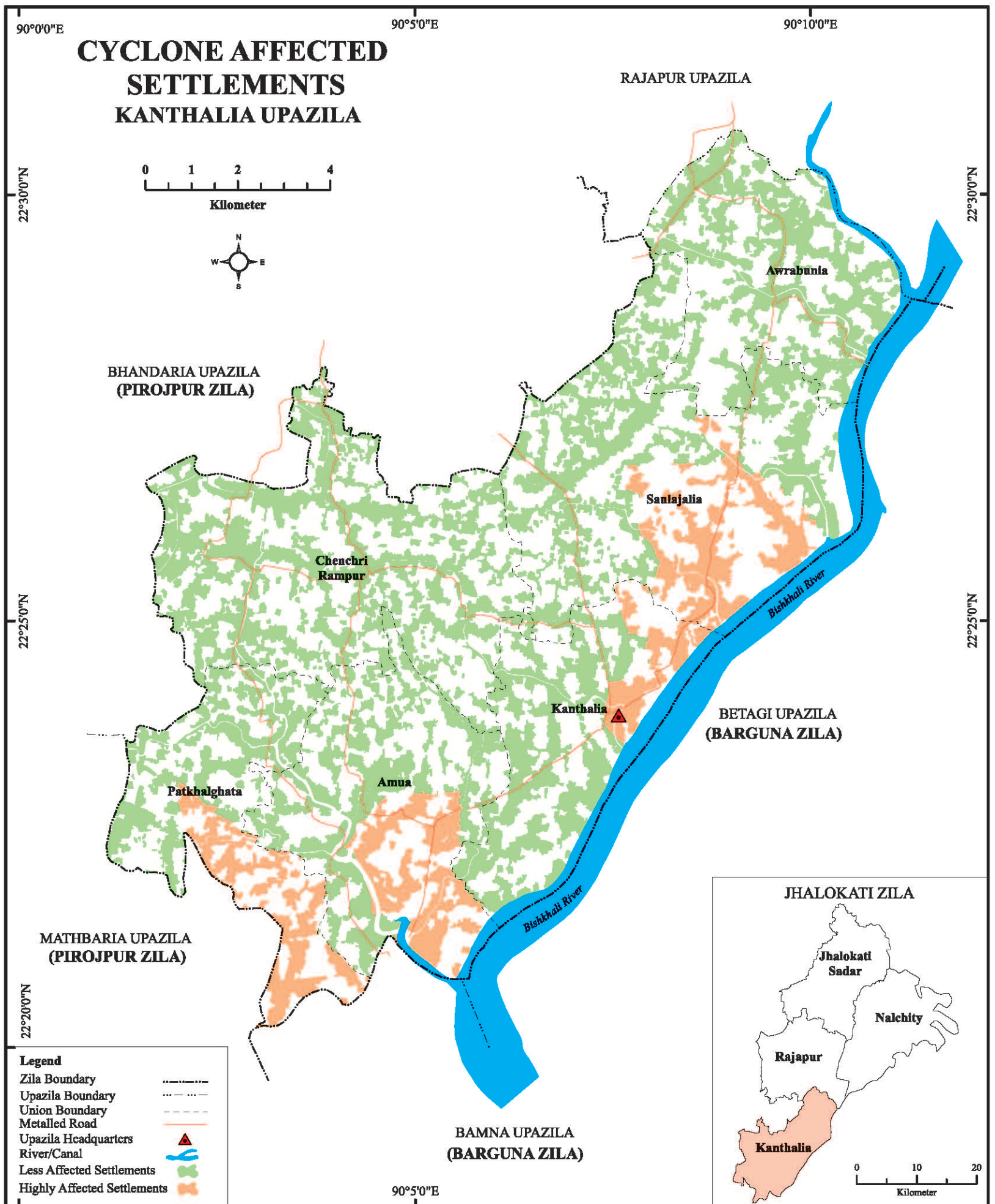


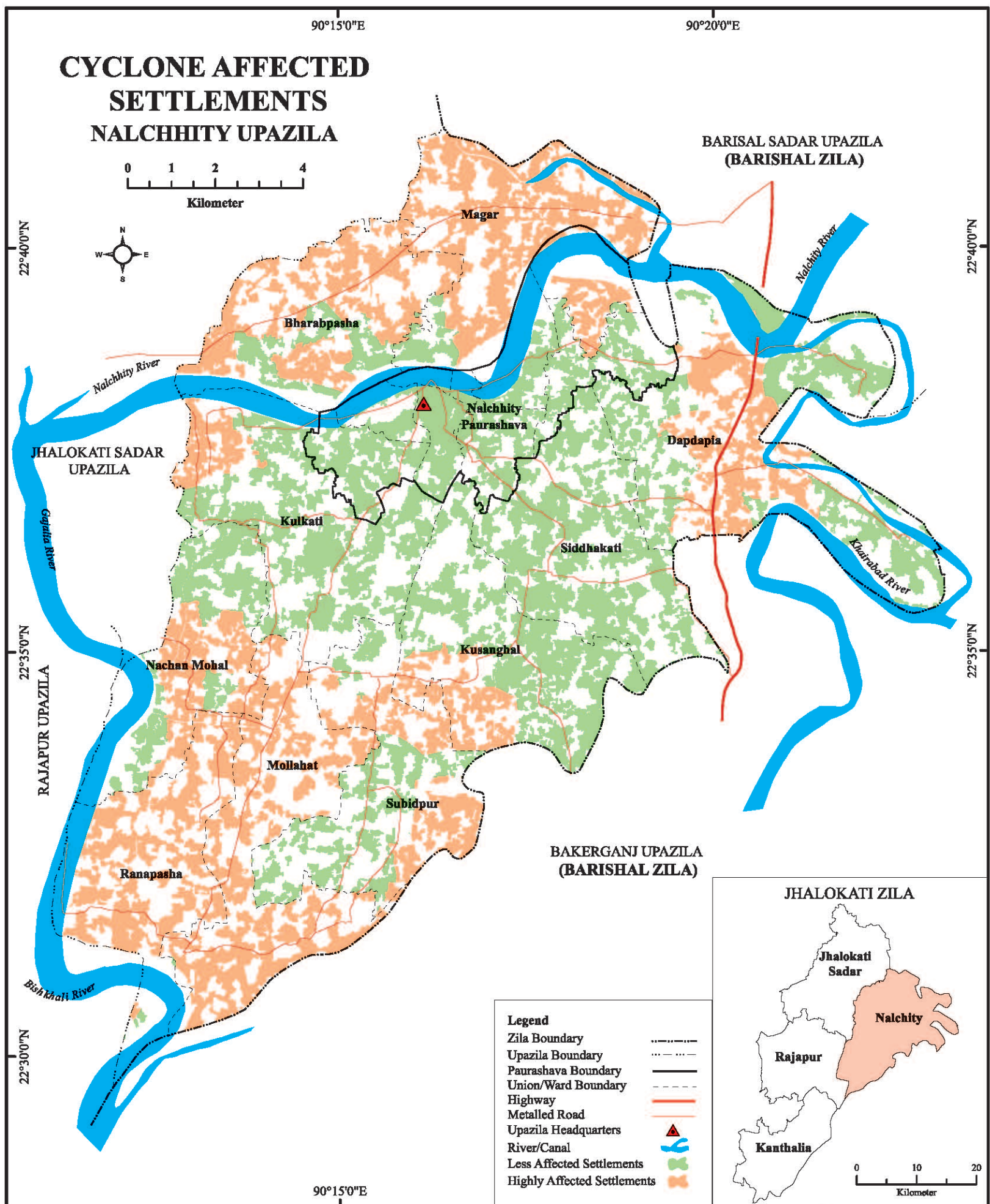


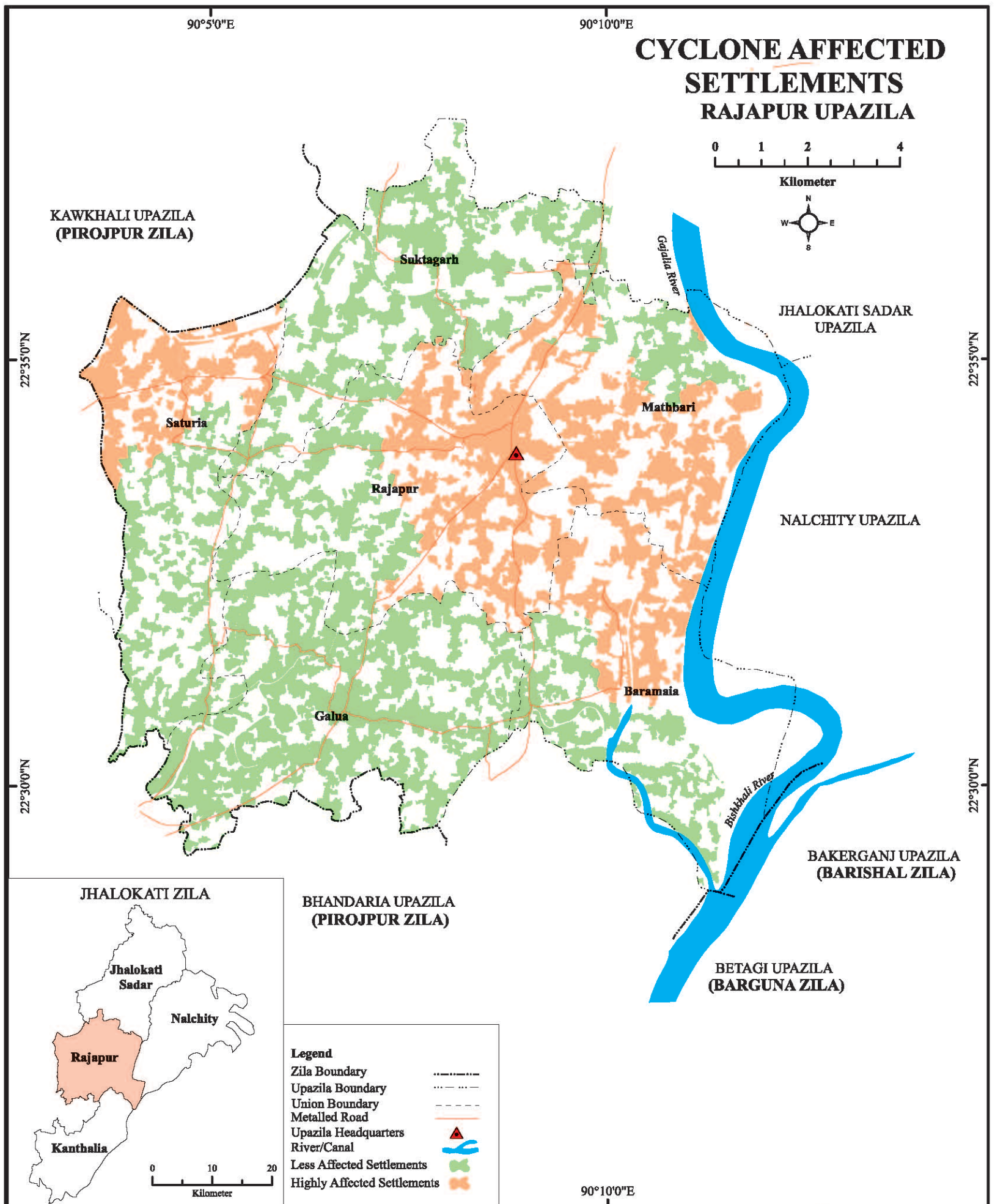
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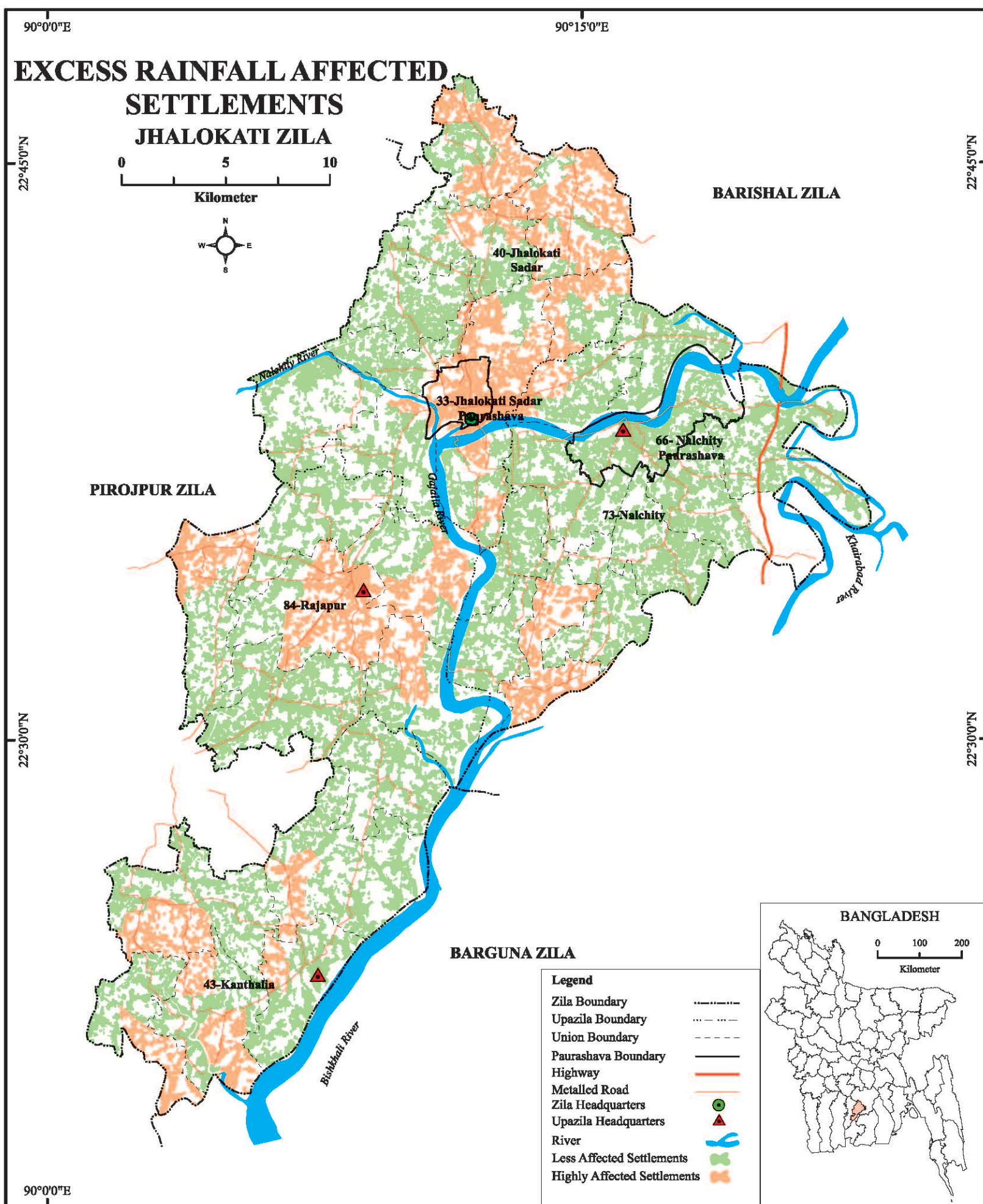


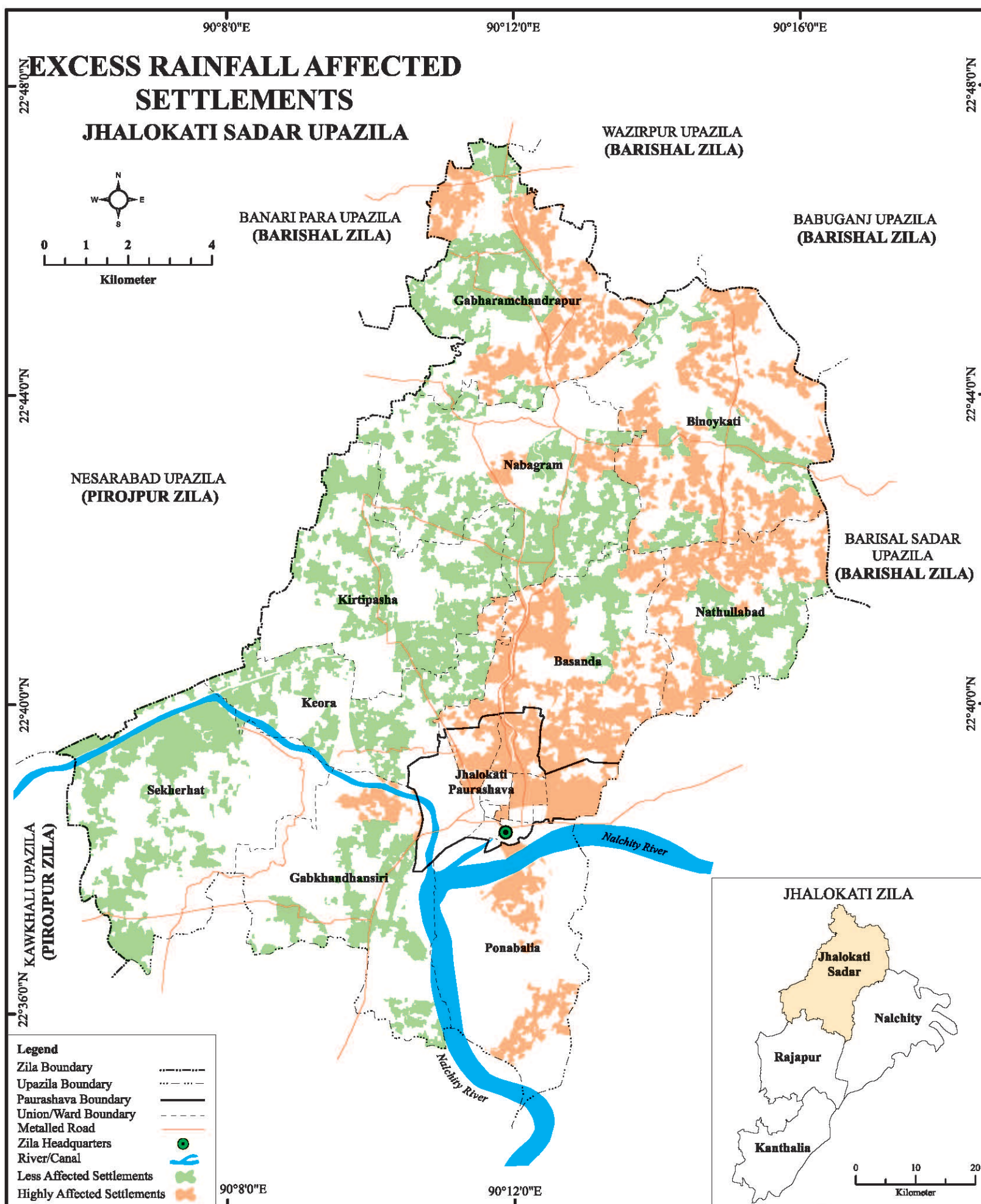


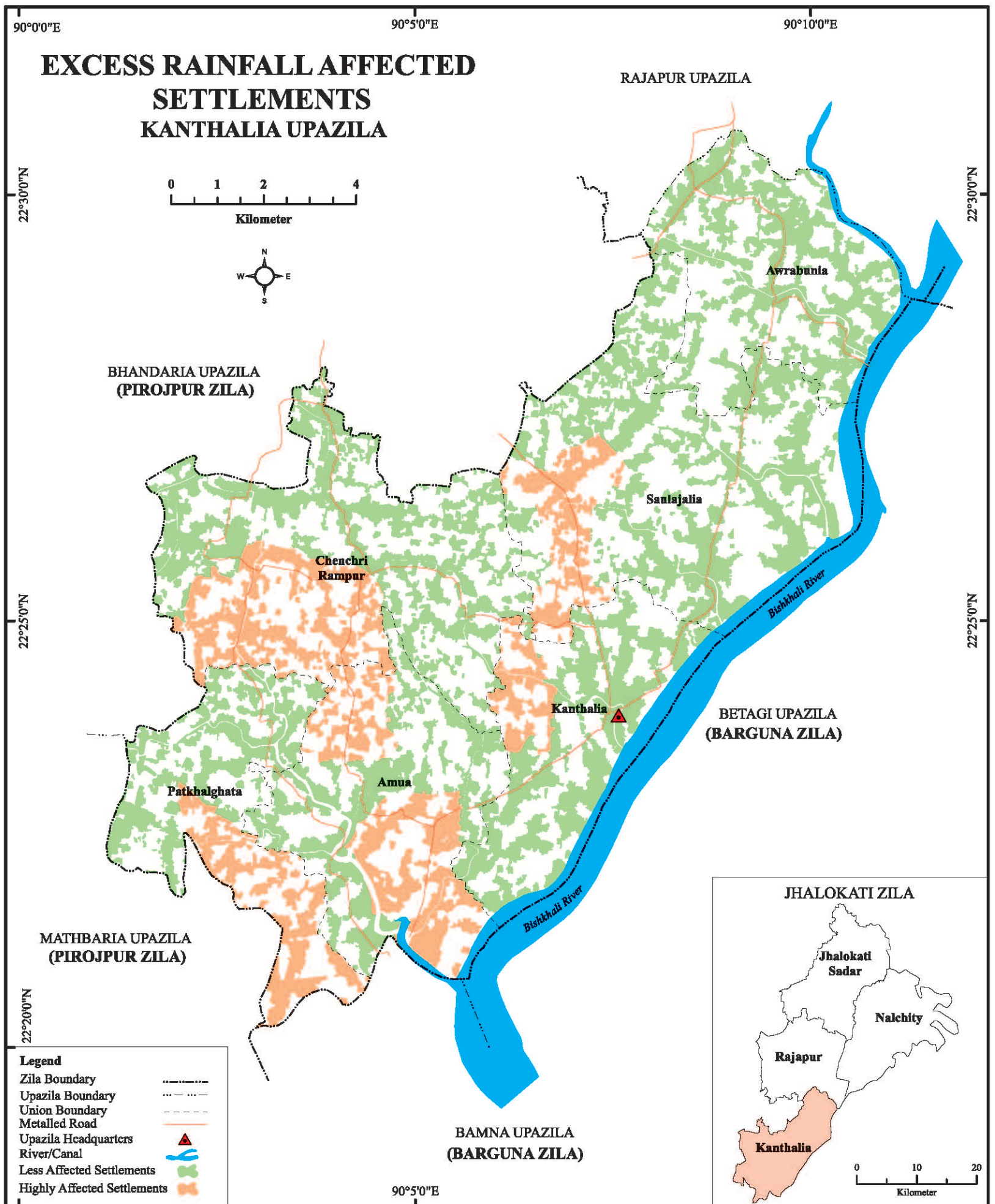


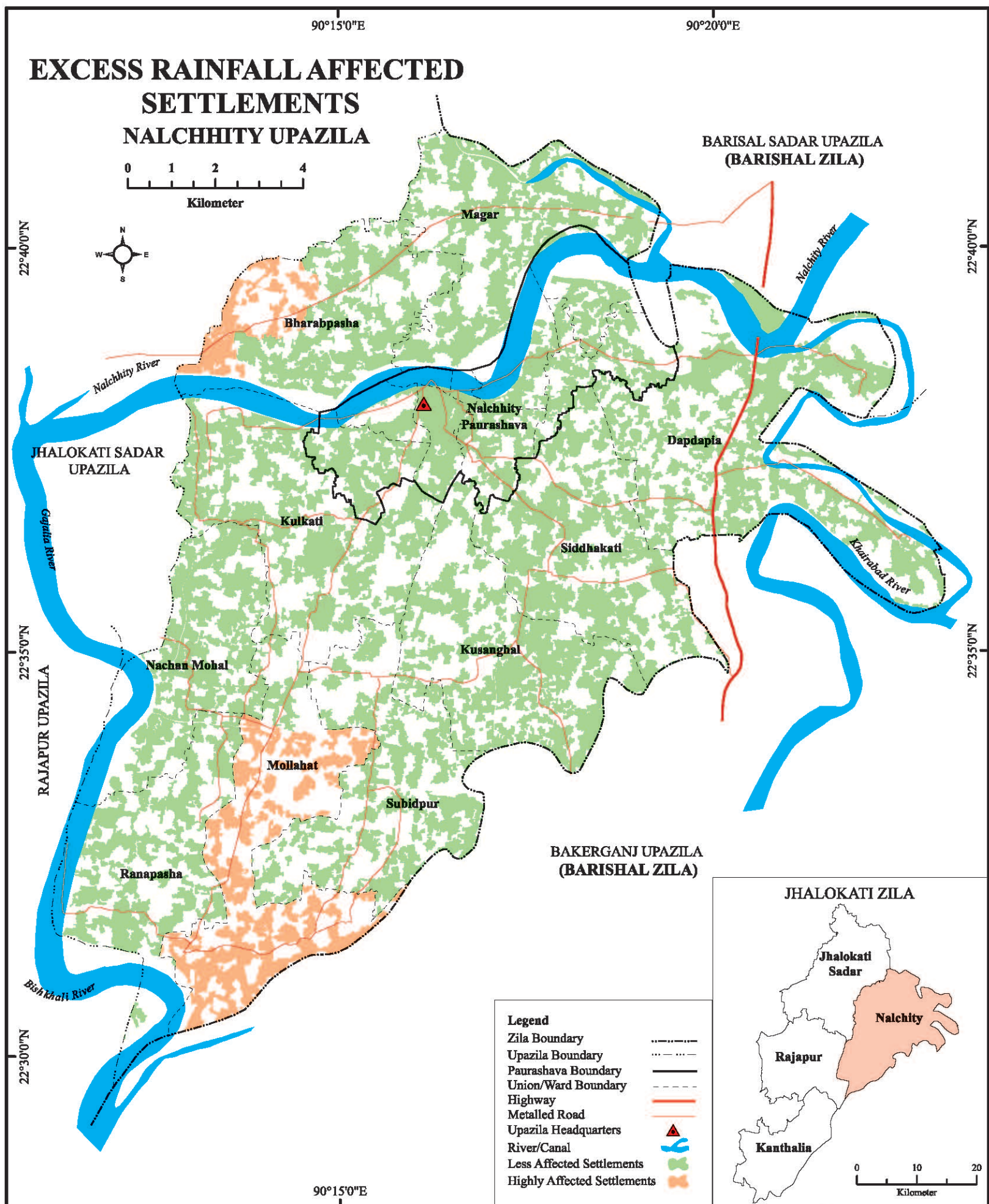


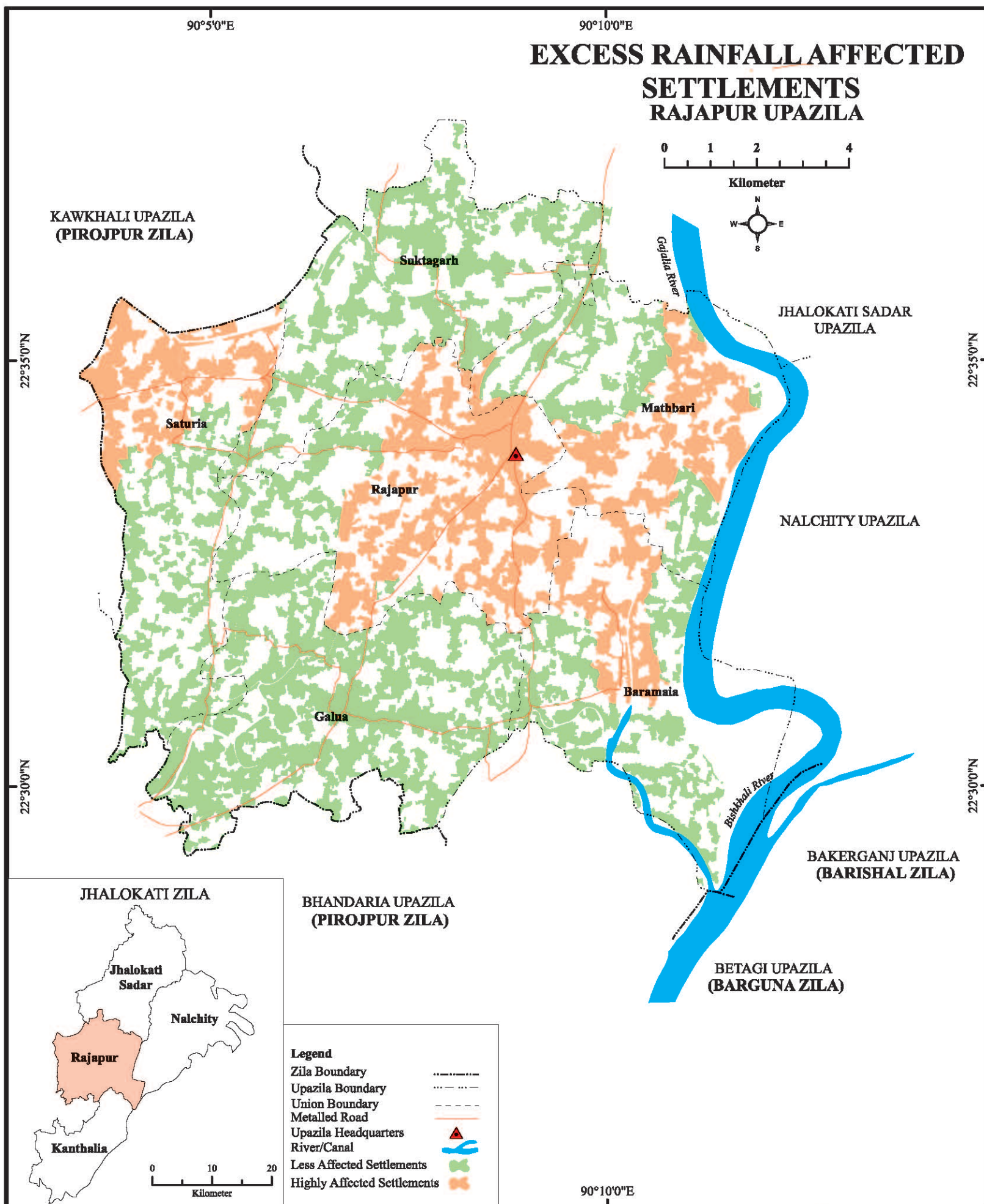
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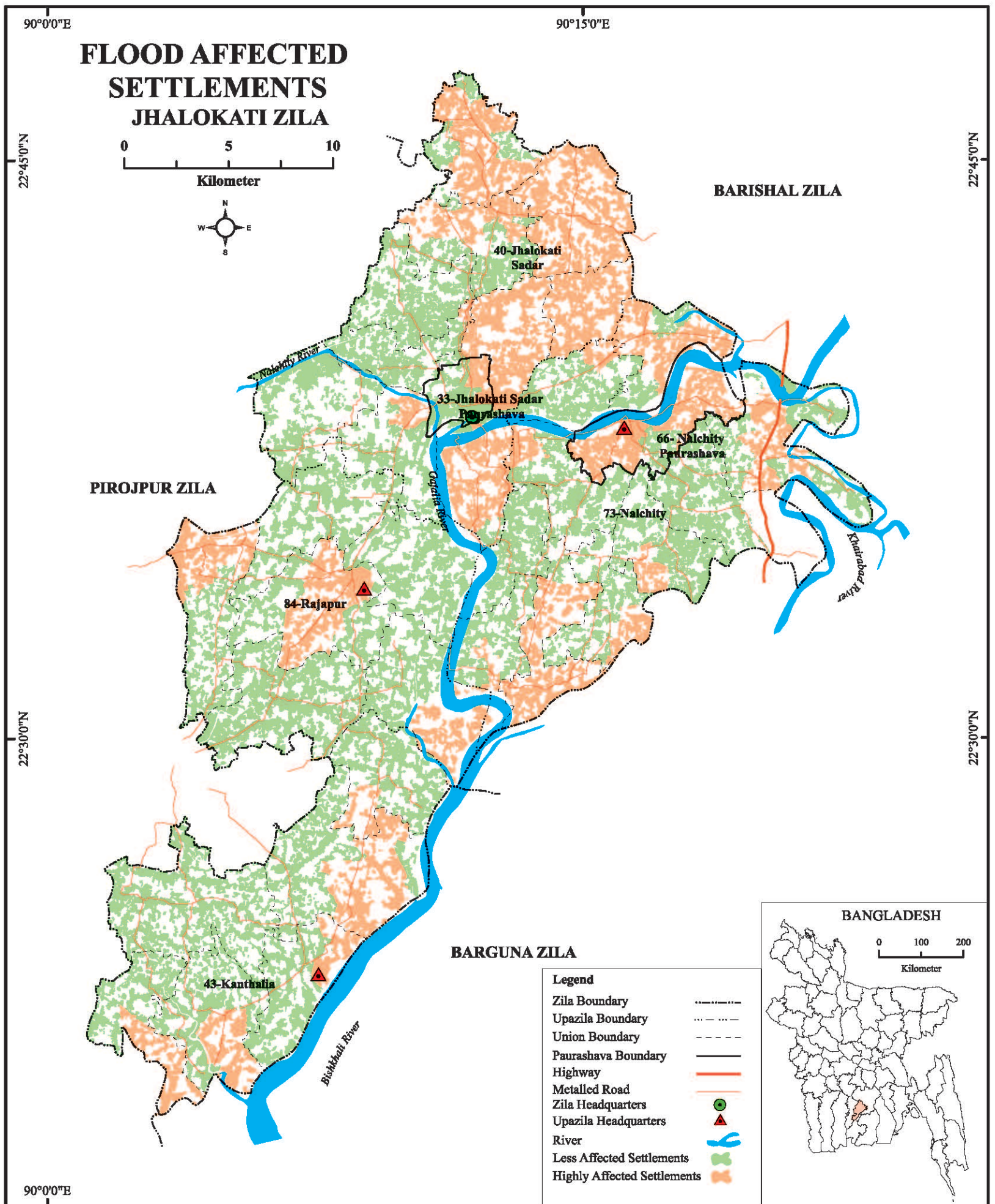


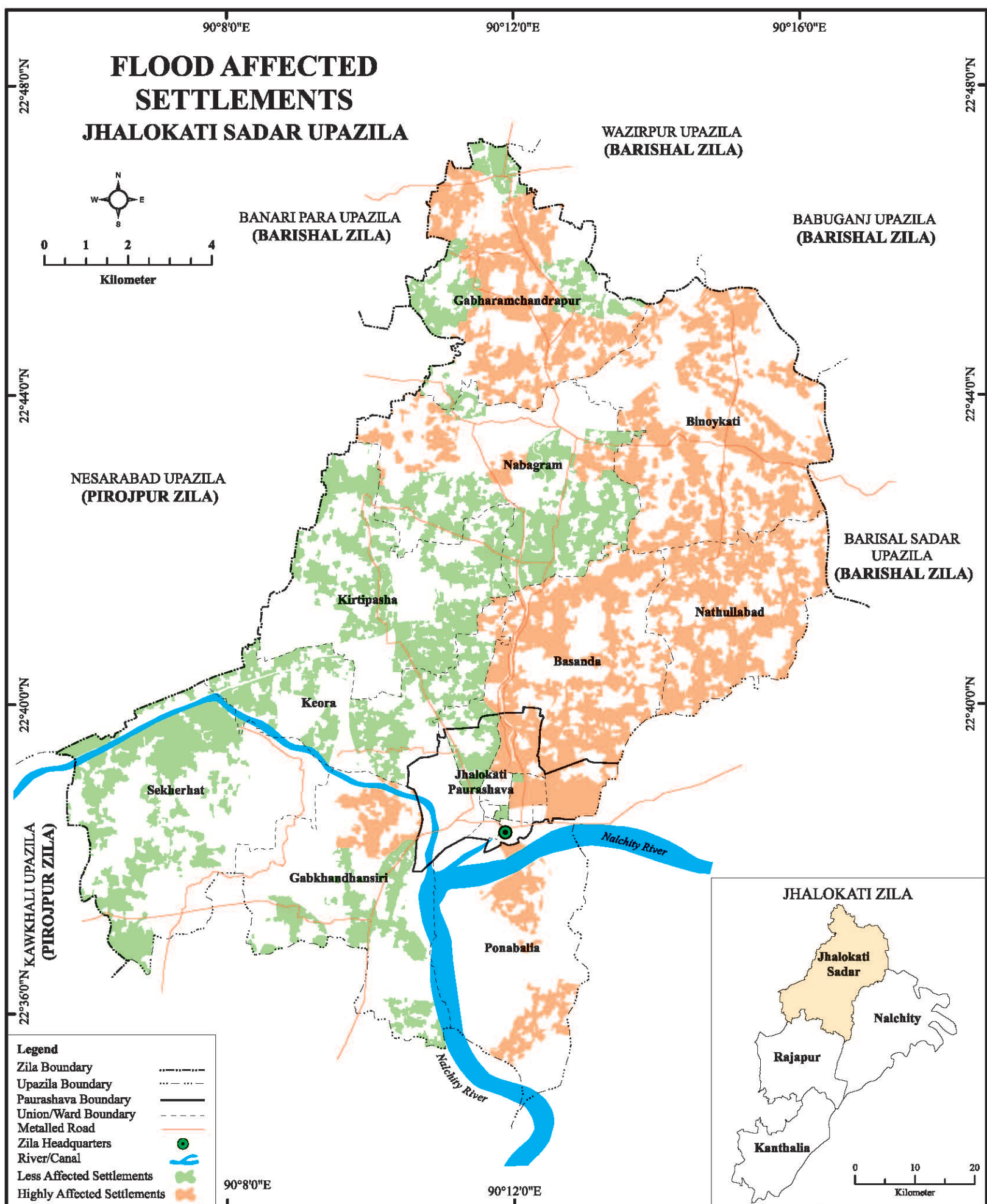


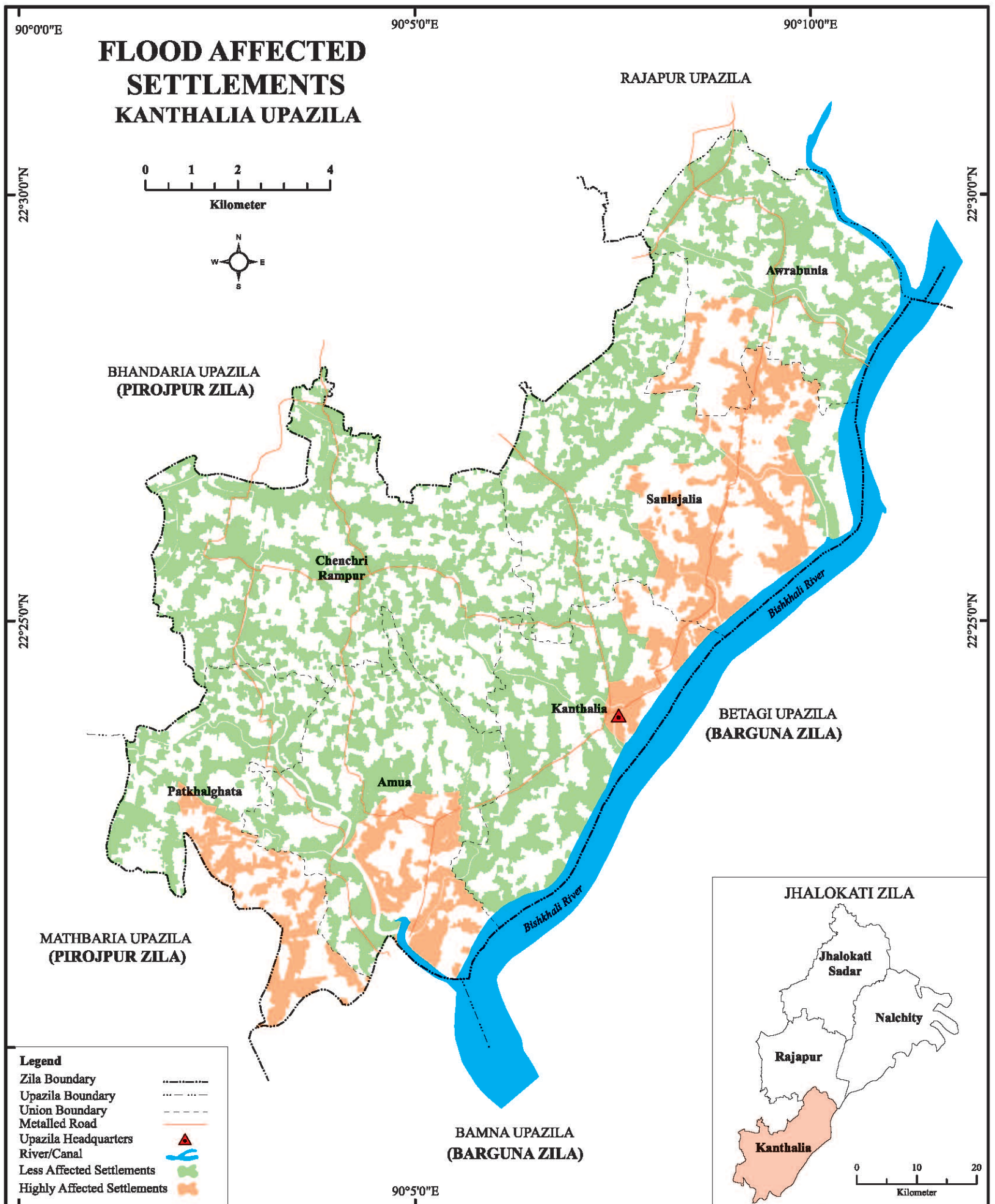


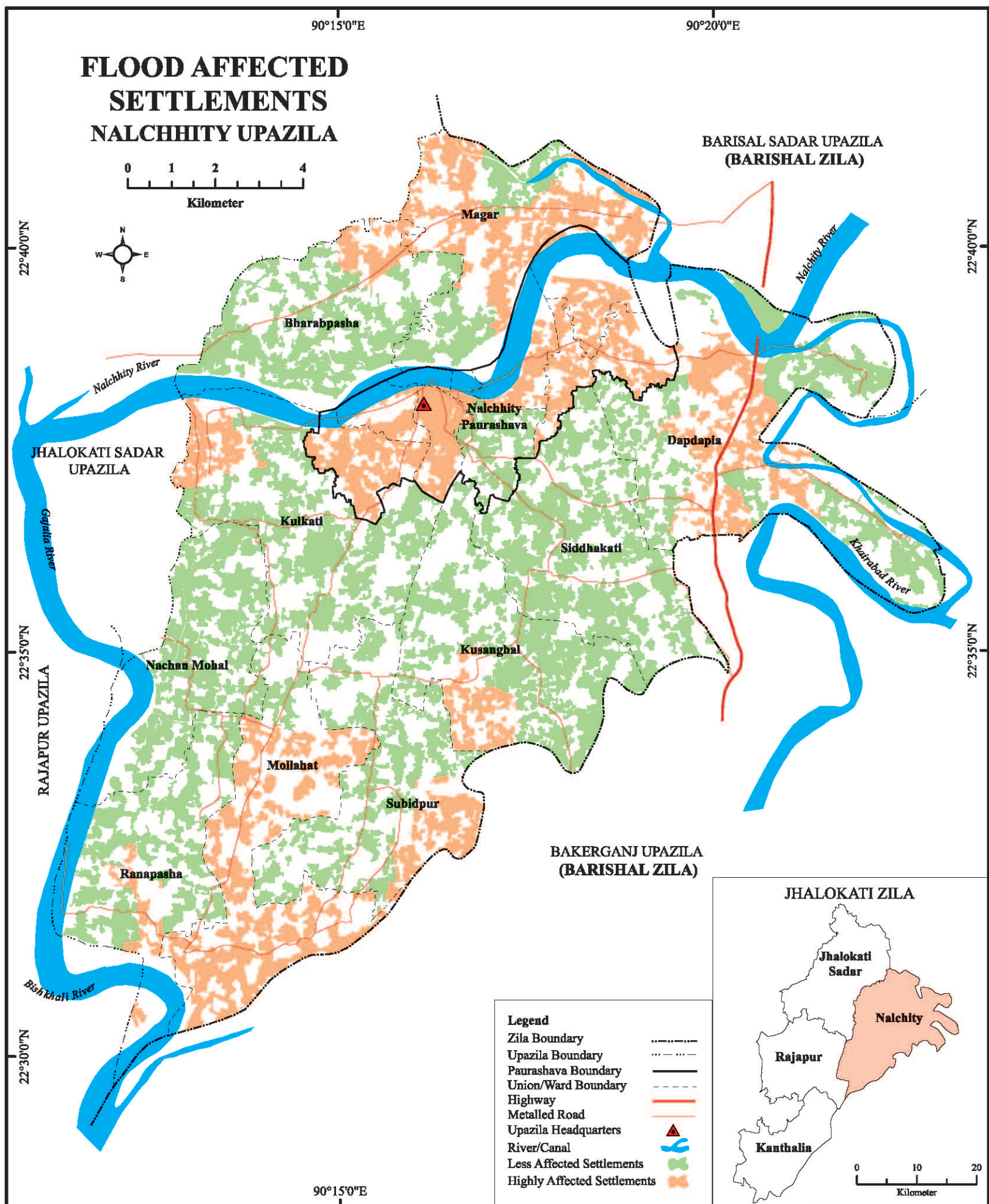


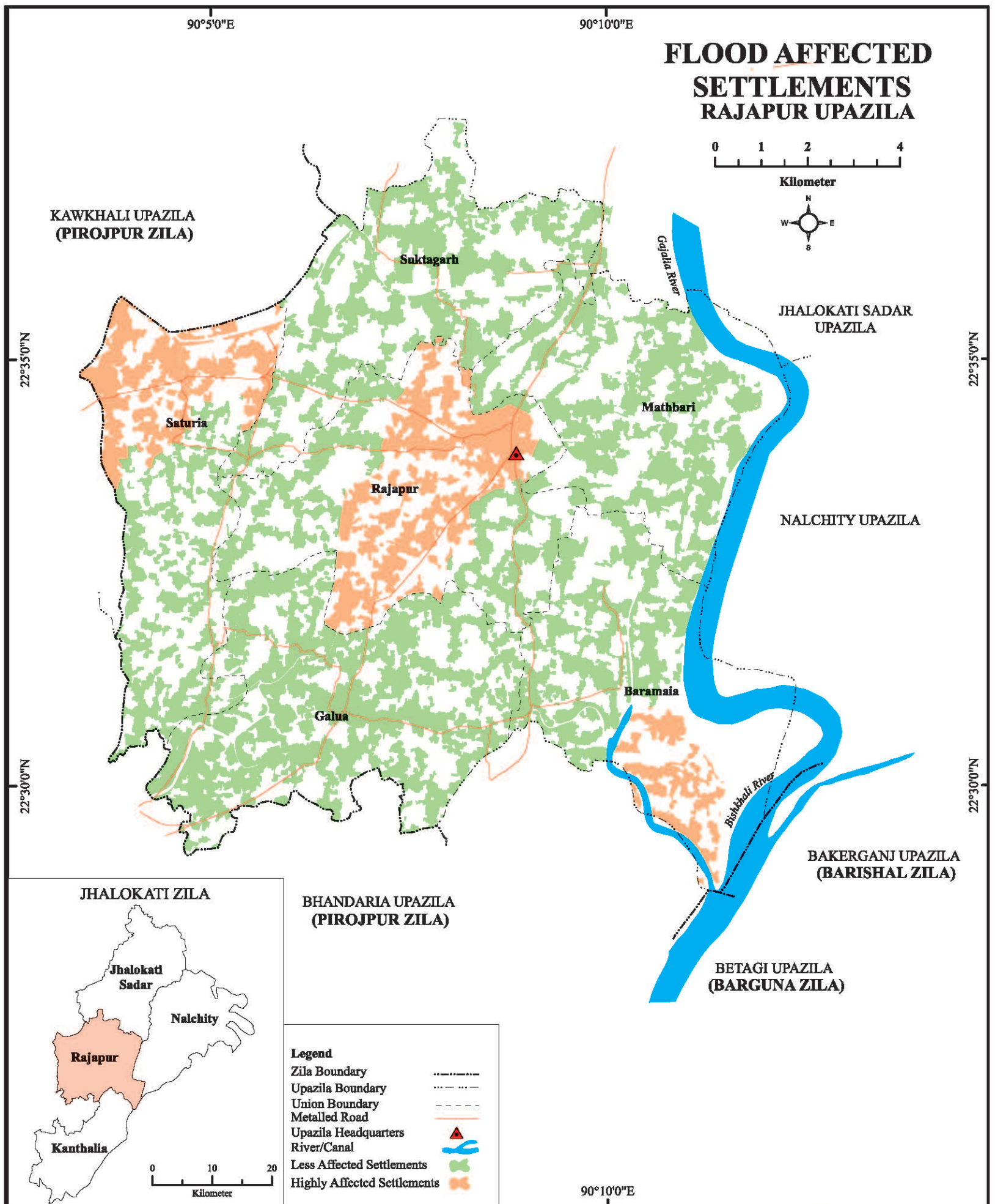
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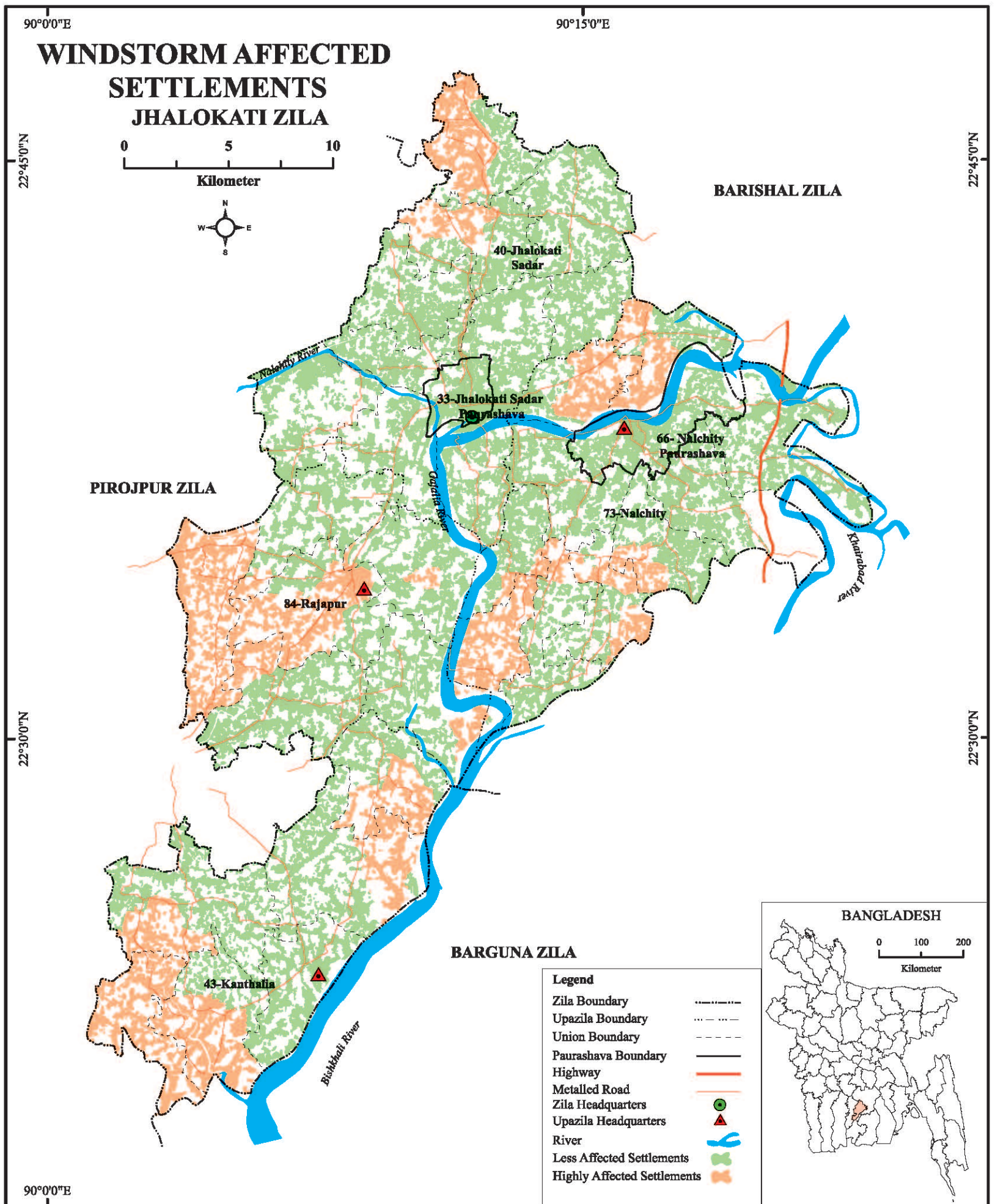


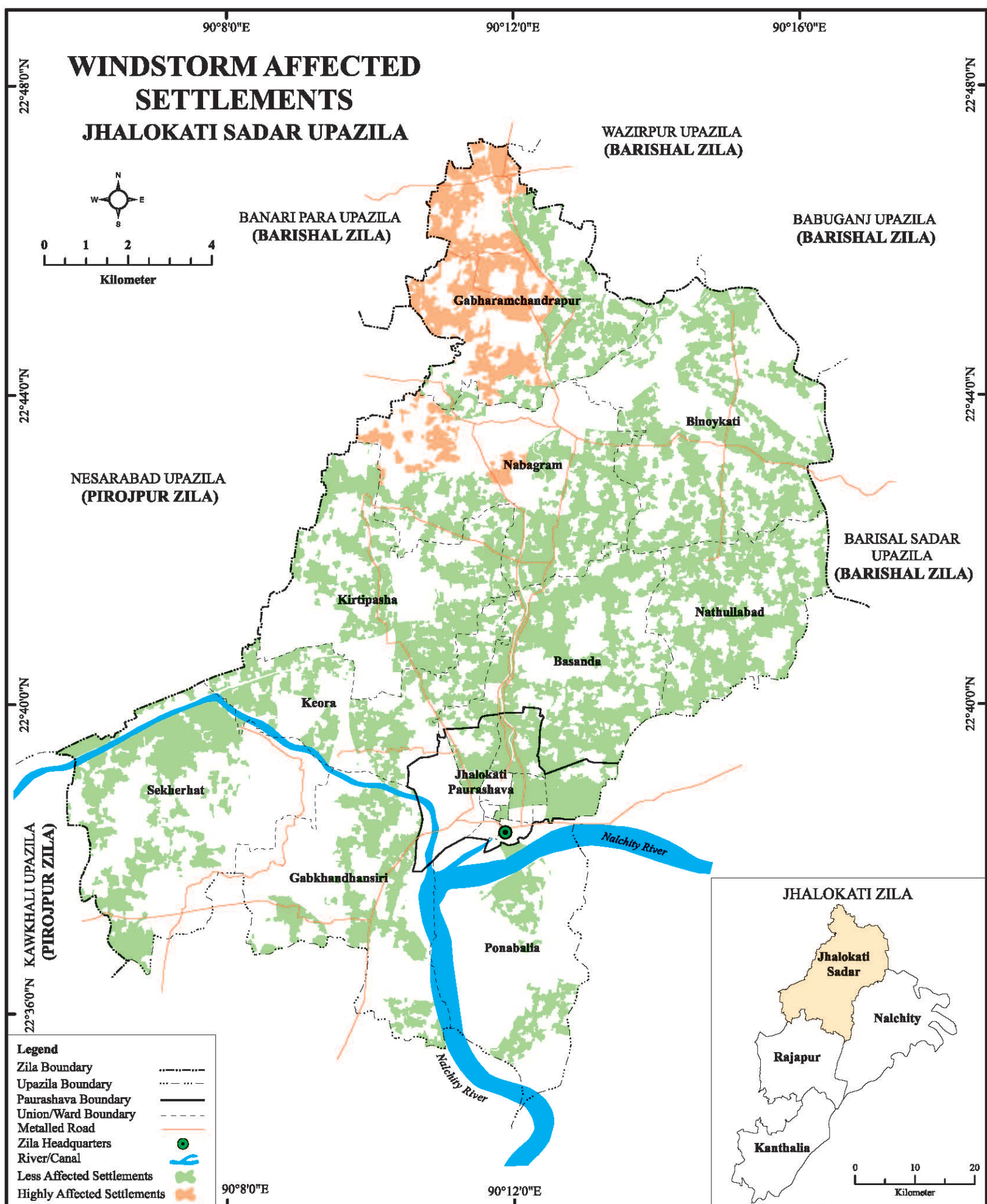


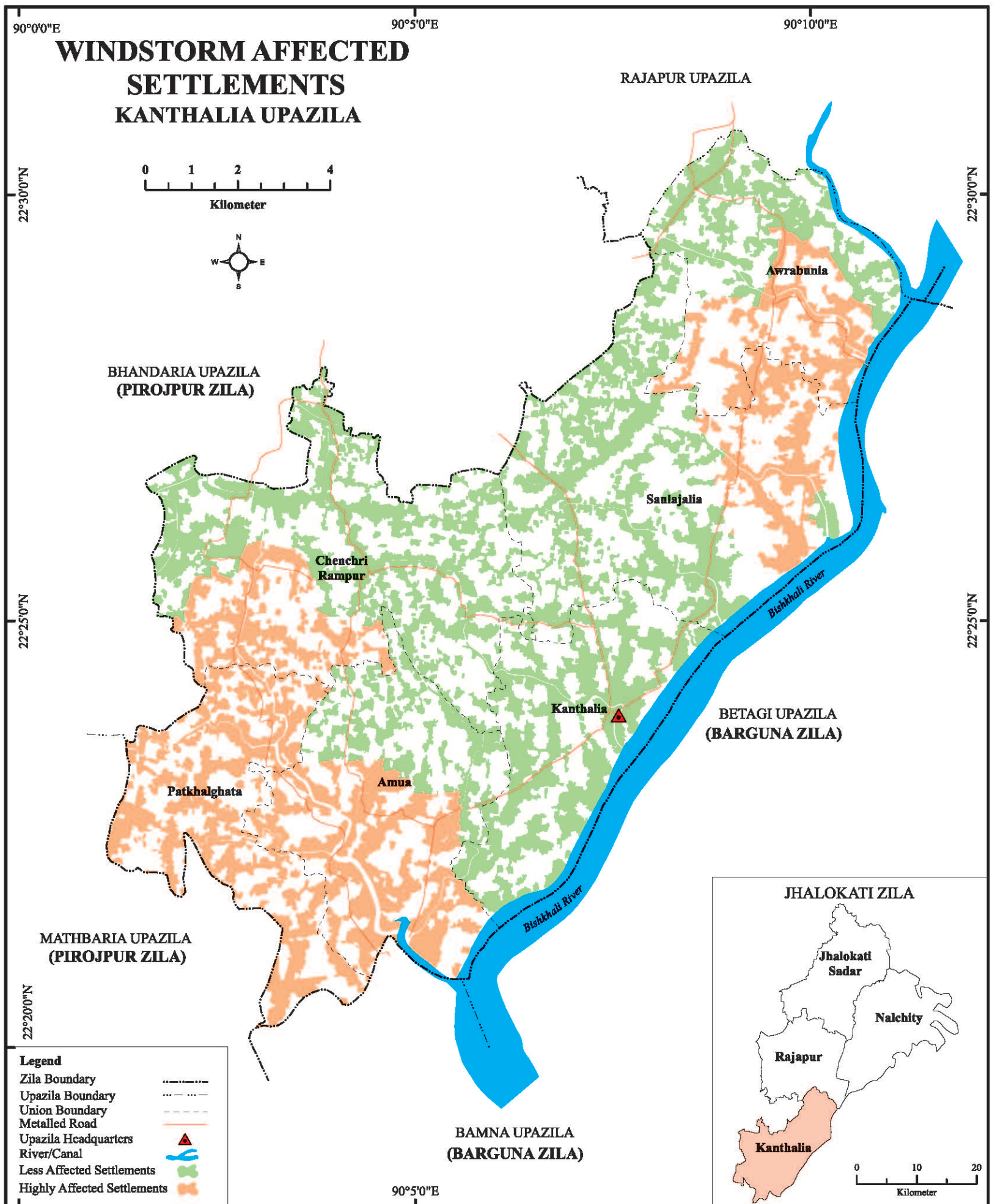


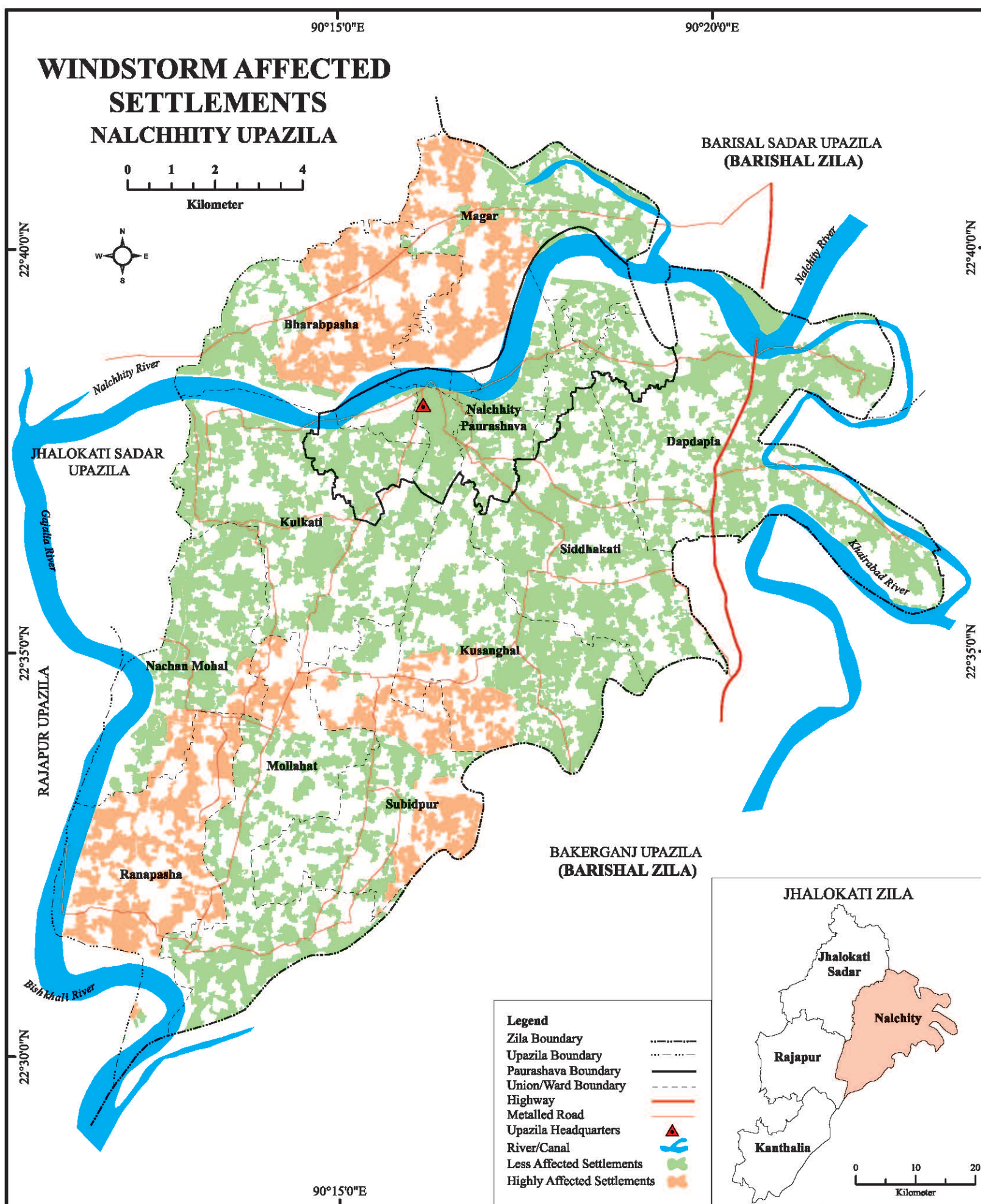


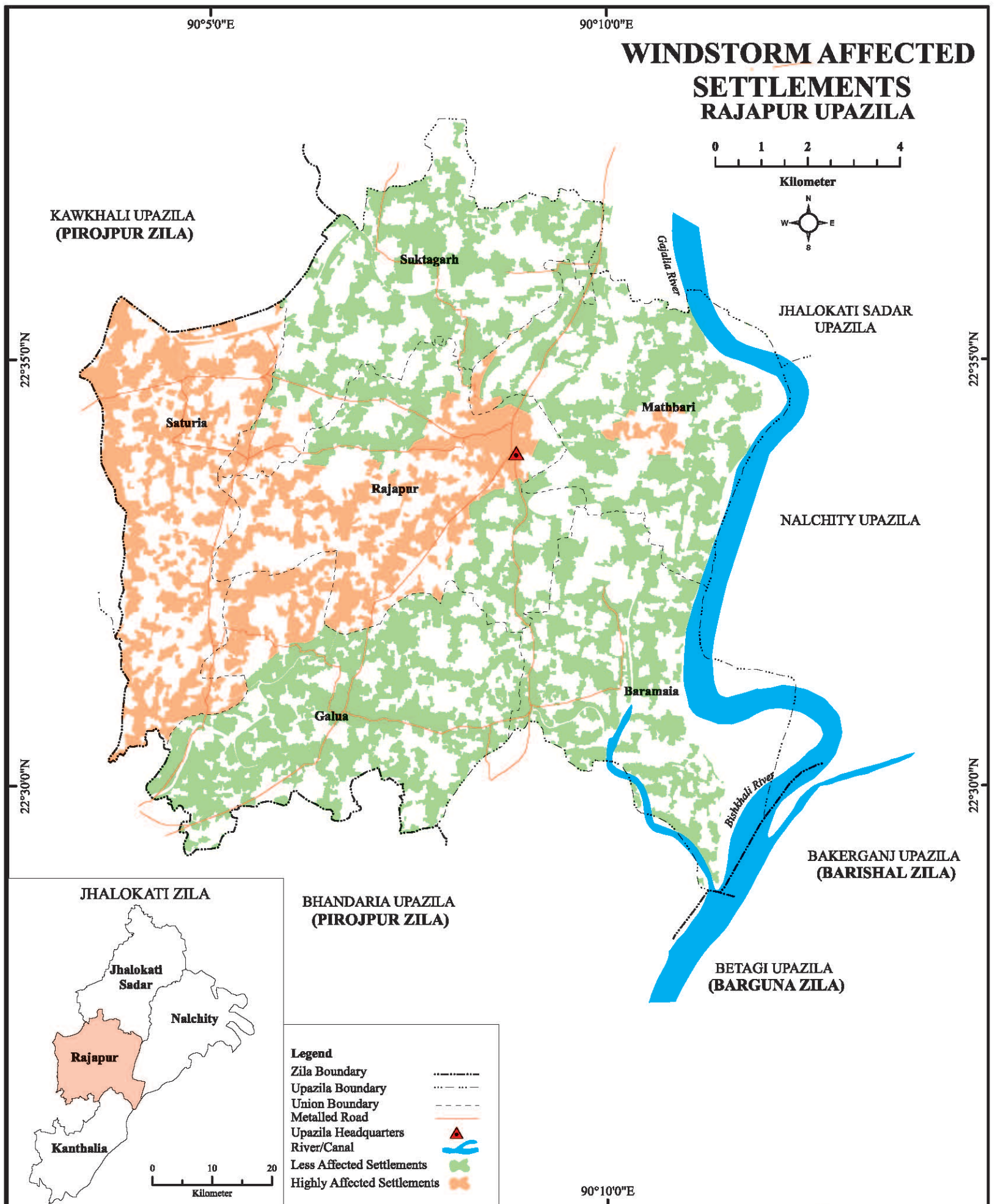
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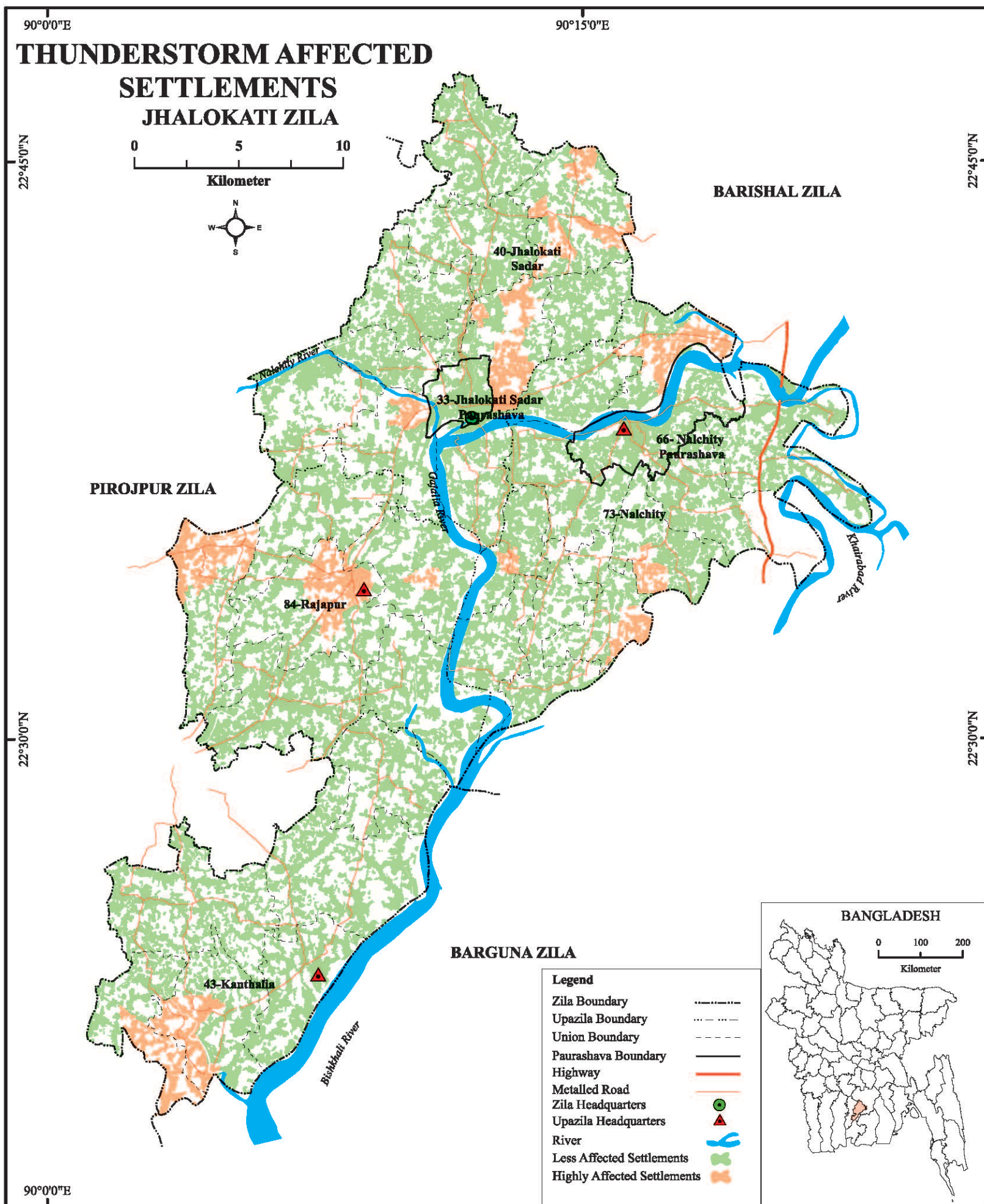


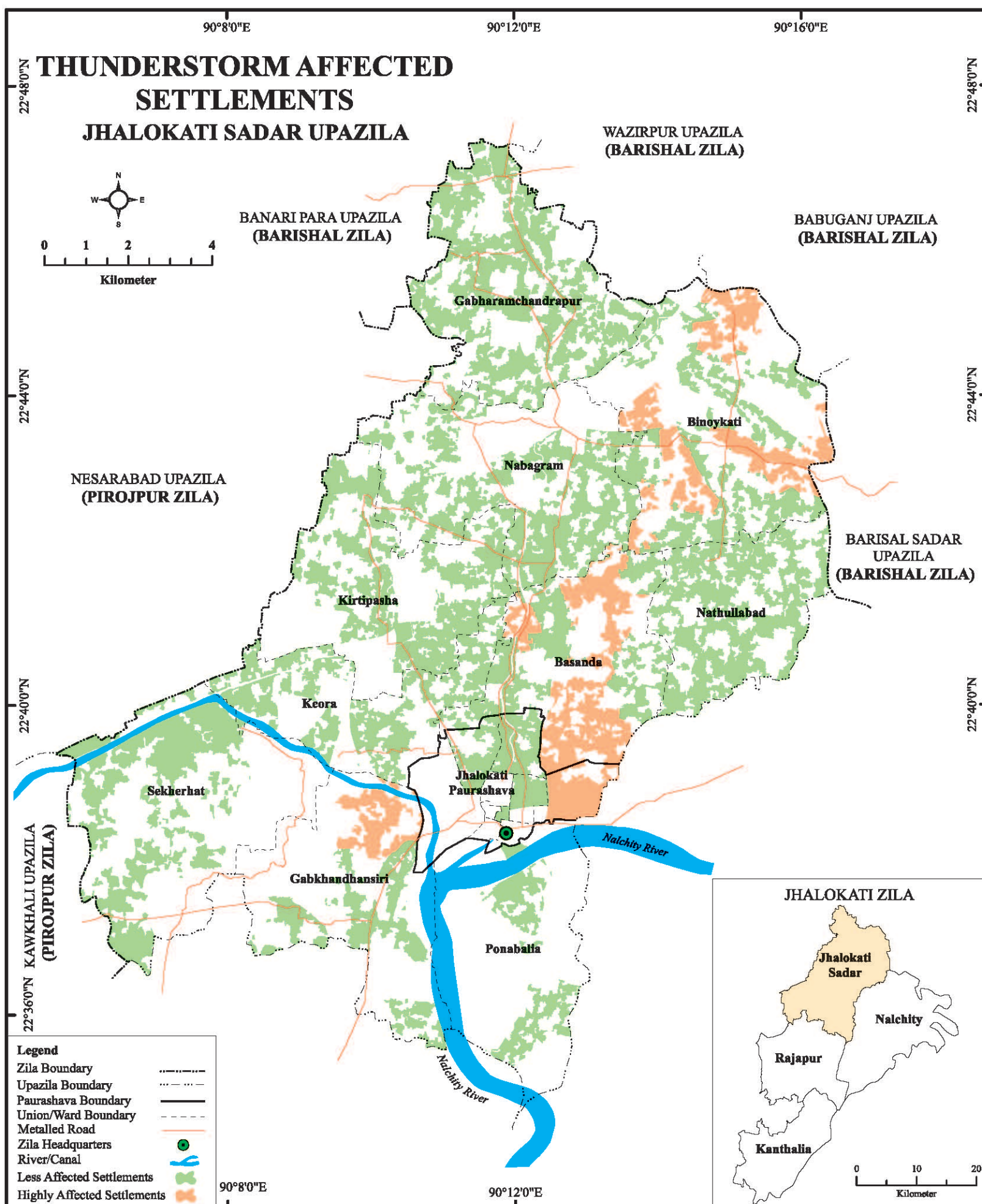


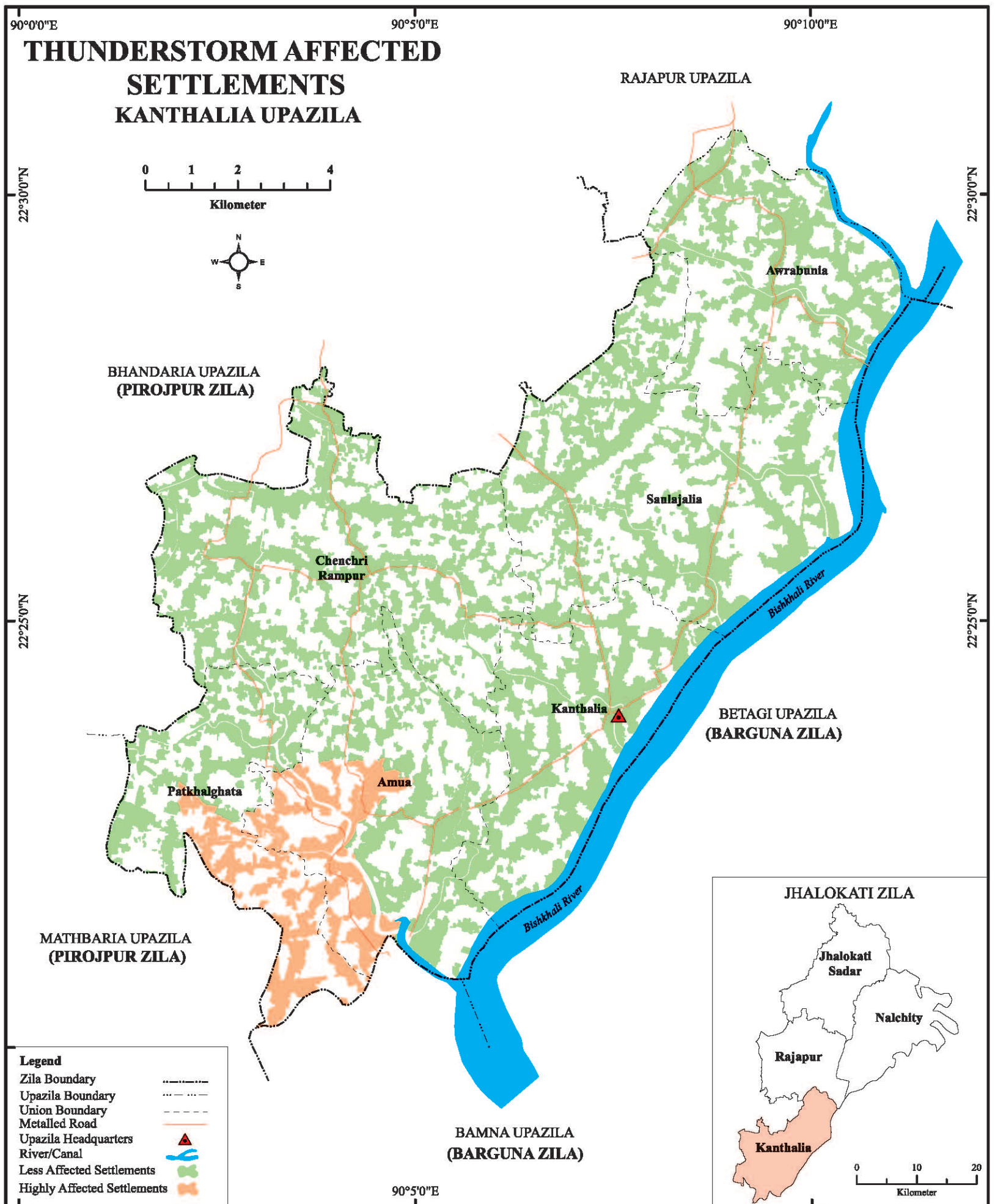




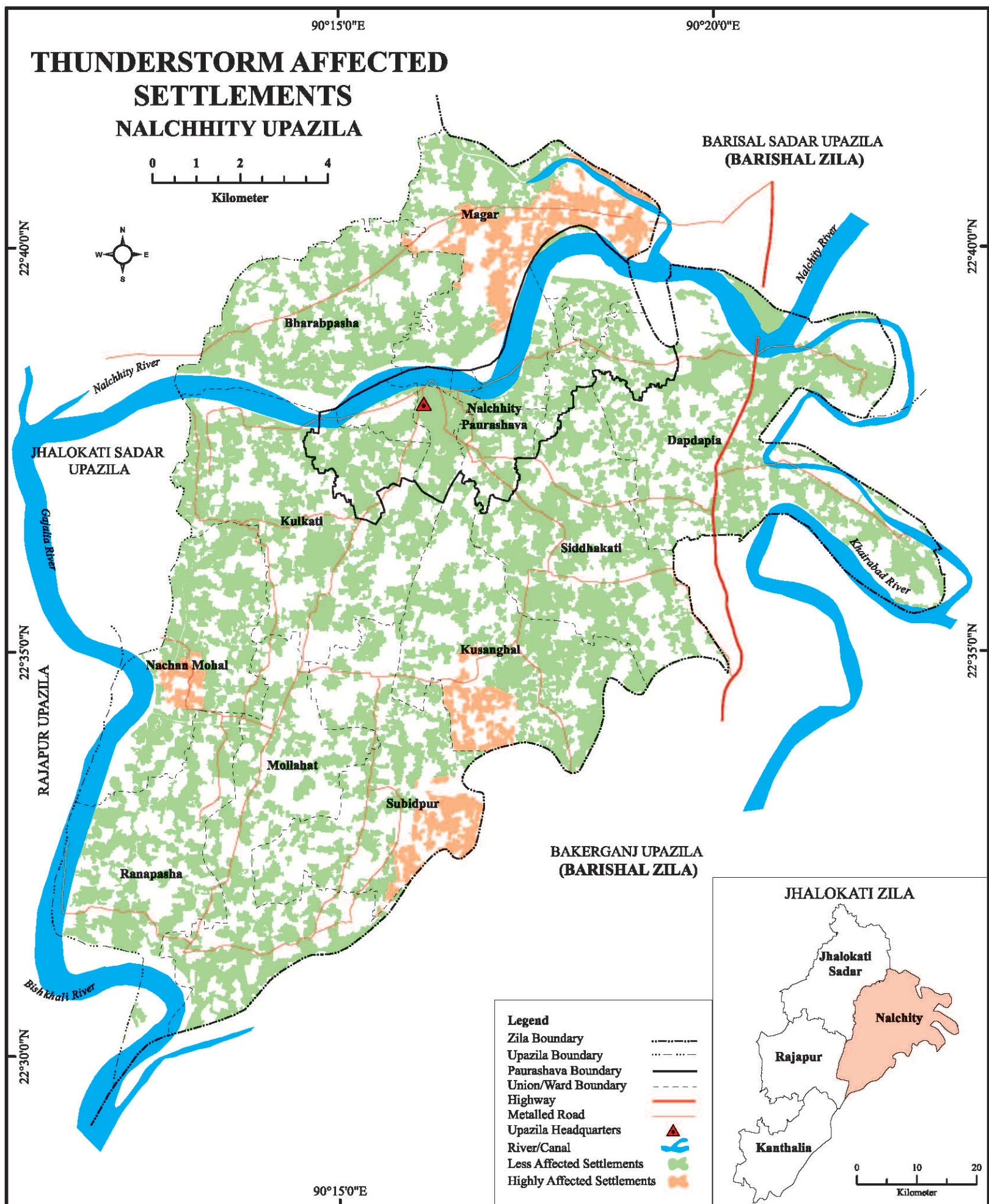
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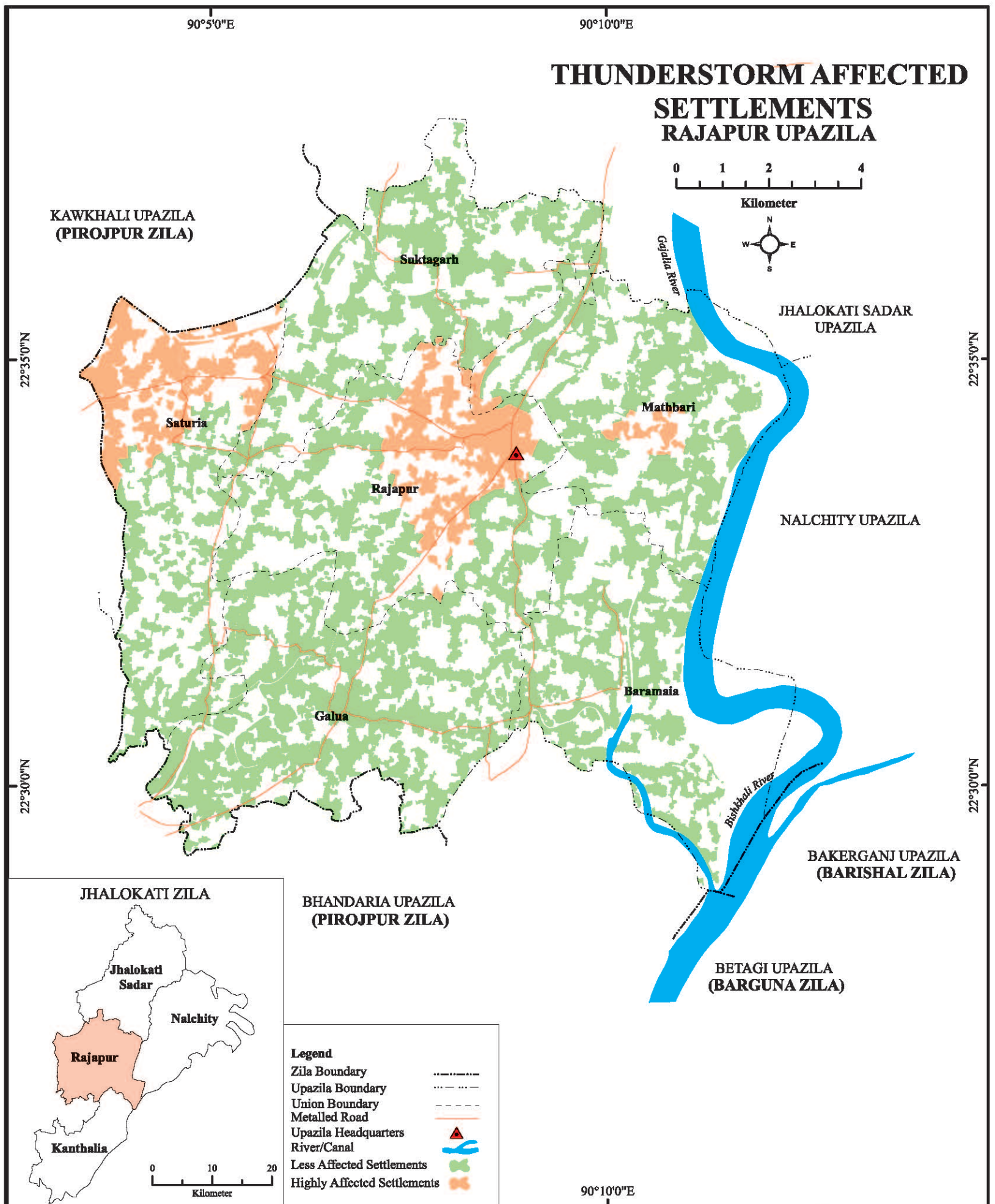




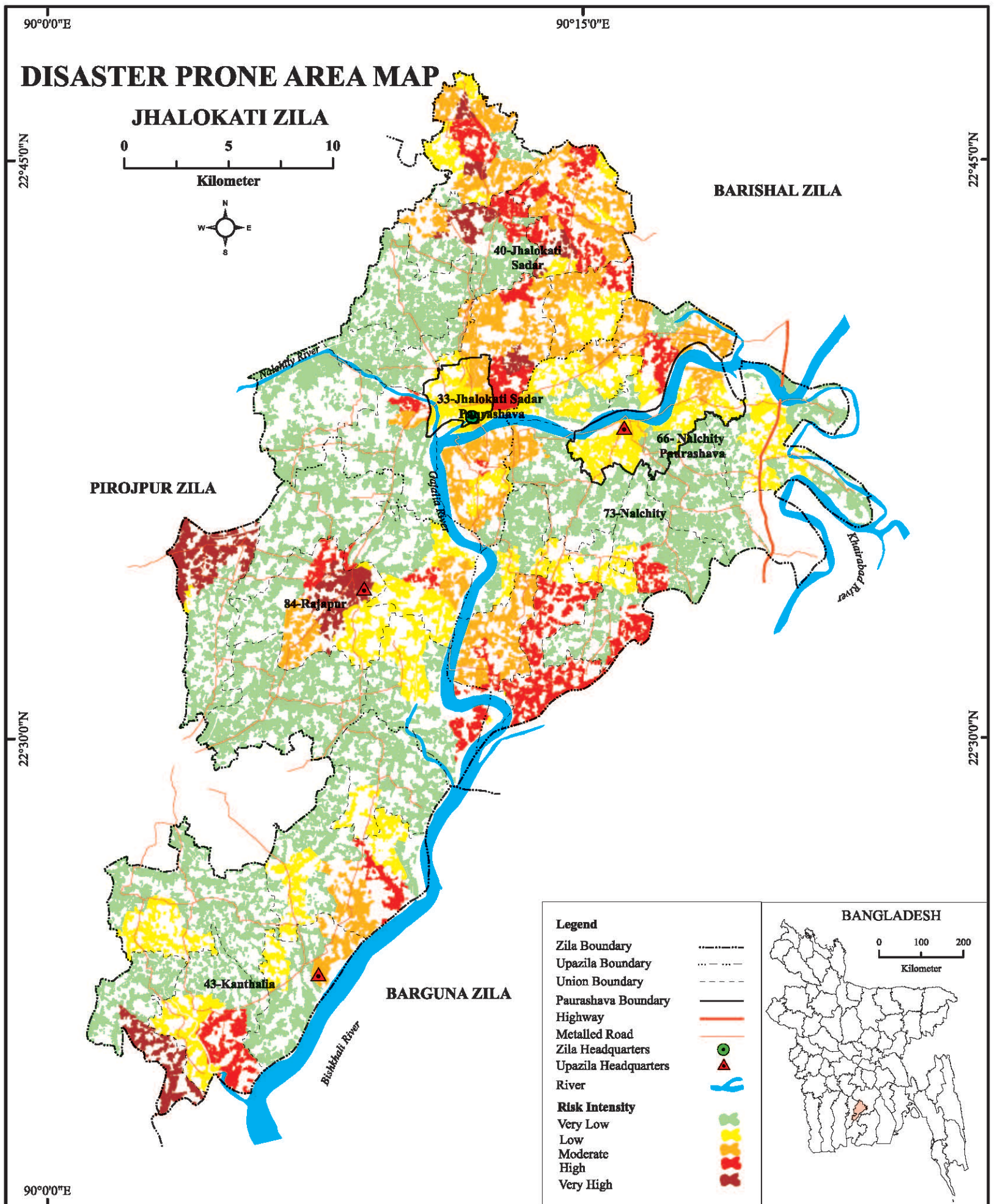


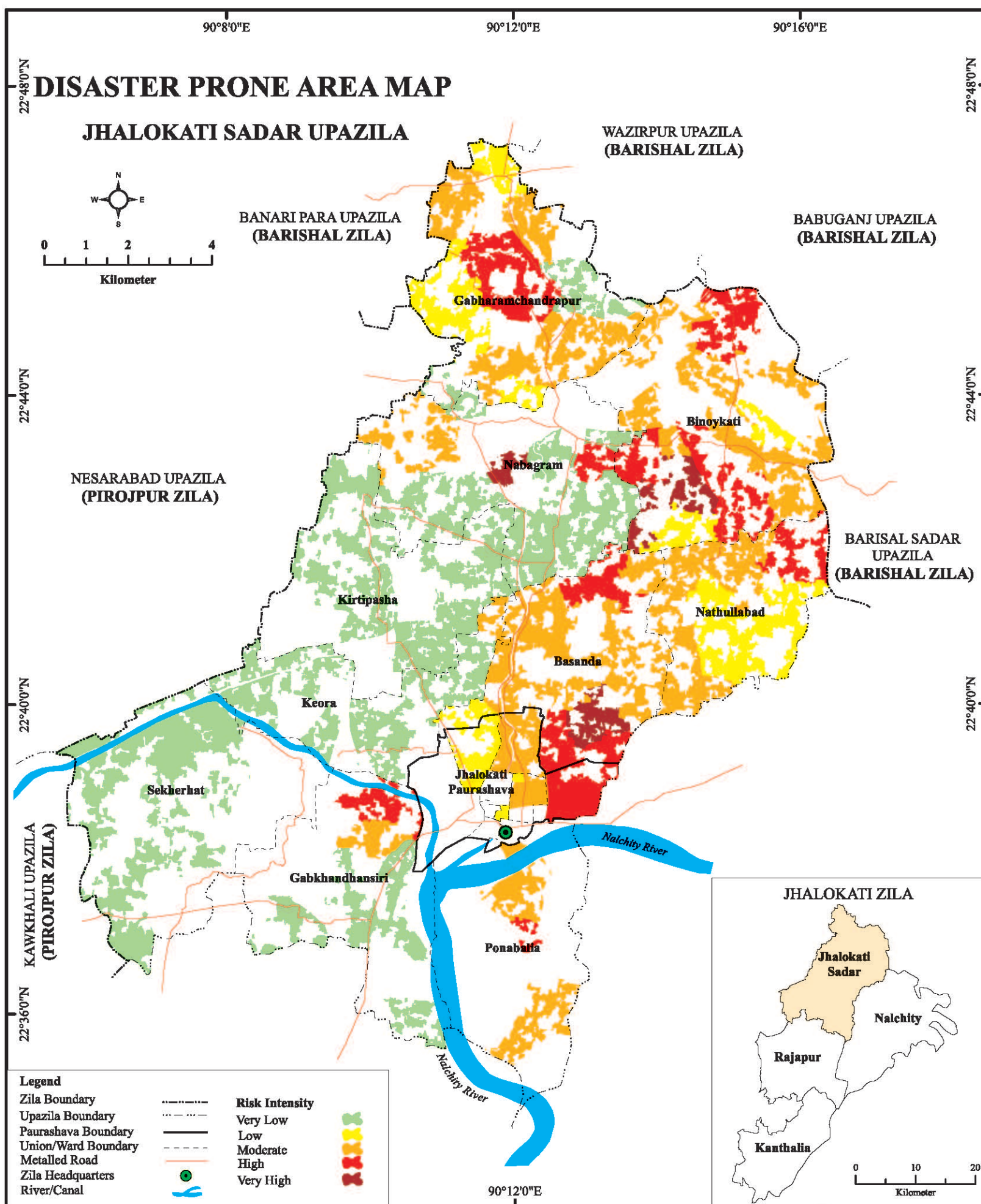
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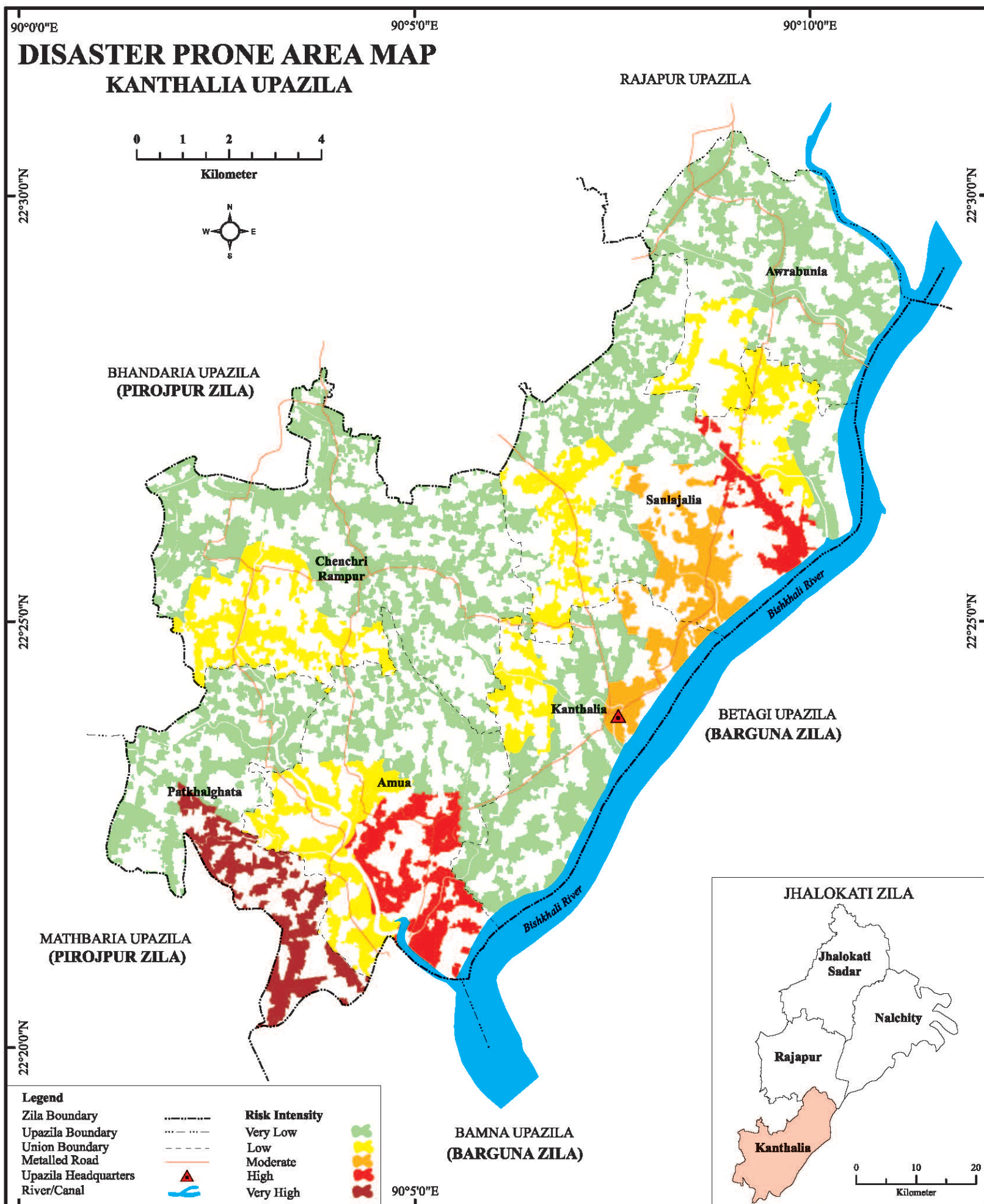


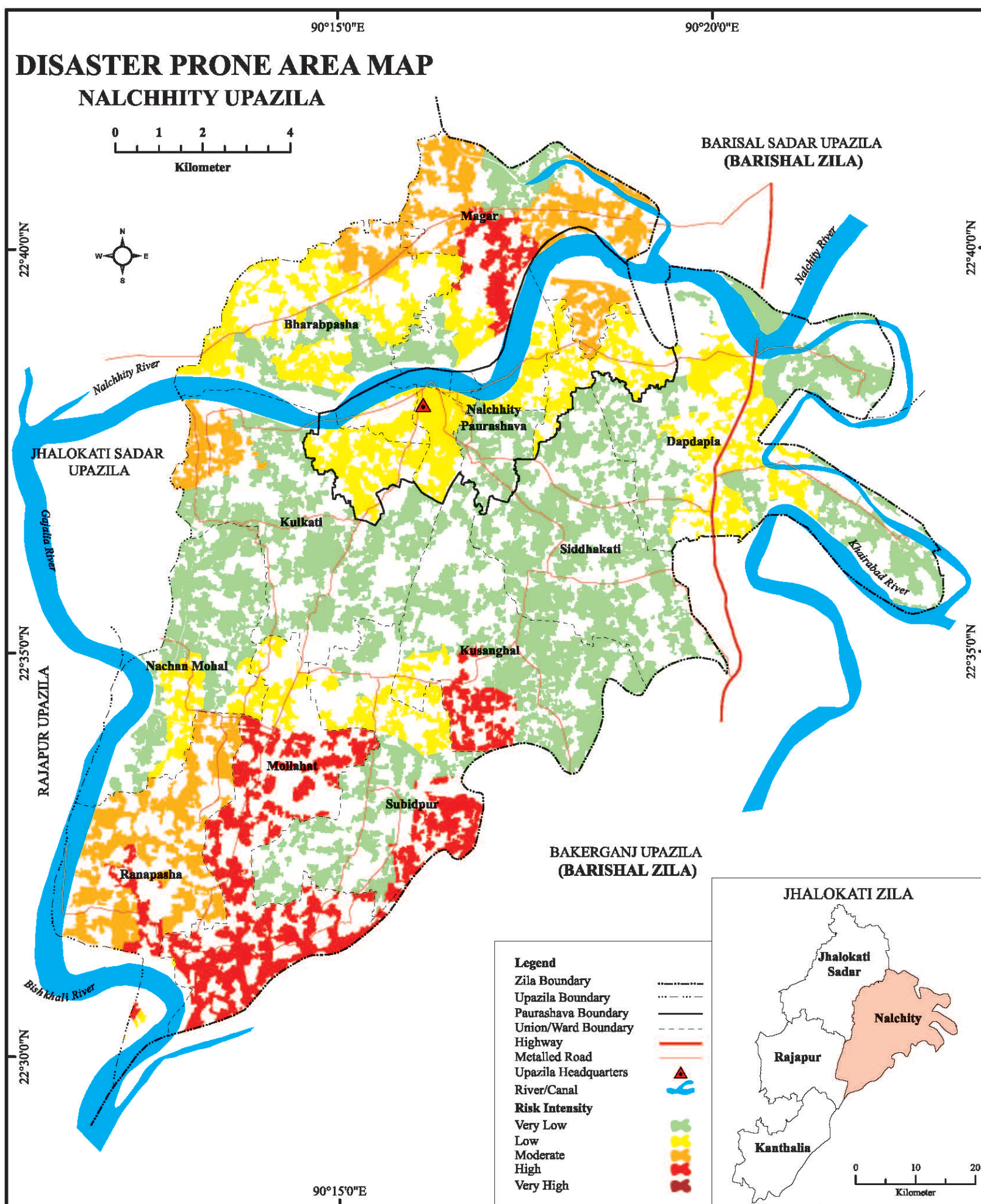


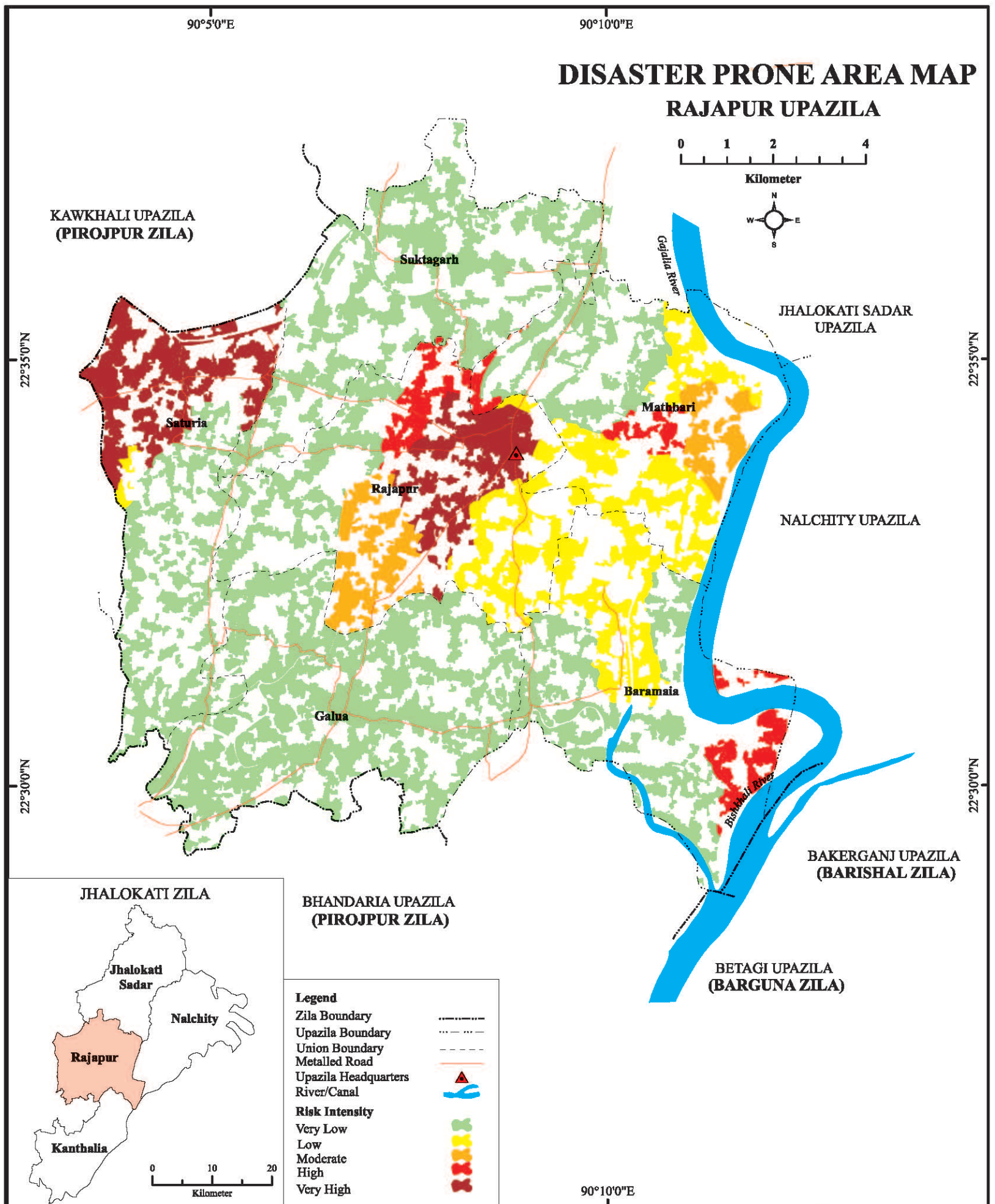
Disaster Prone Area Map











Appendix A

দুর্যোগ প্রবণ এলাকা এটলাস (Disaster Prone Area Atlas) তৈরির জন্য তথ্য সংগ্রহ ফর্ম

জেলা নামঃ কোডঃ	সিটি কর্পোরেশনের নামঃ কোডঃ	উপজেলার নামঃ কোডঃ	পৌরসভার নামঃ কোডঃ
ইউনিয়নের নামঃ কোডঃ	ওয়ার্ডের নামঃ কোডঃ	গ্রামের নামঃ কোডঃ	মহল্লার নামঃ কোডঃ
১. অবকাঠামো / স্থাপনার নামঃ			
২. অবকাঠামো / স্থাপনার অবস্থানঃ		দ্রাঘিমাংশ (X):	
৩. স্থাপনার প্রতিষ্ঠাকালঃ		৪. স্থাপনাটি কত তলাবিশিষ্টঃ	
৫. স্থাপনার ধরন (অবকাঠামো):		পাঁকা ১ .আধা পাঁকা ২	
৬. মোট কামরার সংখ্যাঃ		৭. মোট আয়তন (বর্গফুট):	
৮. জেলার সংগে যোগাযোগের মাধ্যমঃ		খ. জলপথ: কি.মি. খ. জলপথ: কি.মি.	
৯. উপজেলার সংগে যোগাযোগের মাধ্যমঃ		গ. রেলপথ: কি.মি. গ. রেলপথ: কি.মি.	
১০. খোলা মাঠ আছে কি?		হ্যাঁ হলে, আয়তন (বর্গফুট):	
১১. বিদ্যুৎসুবিধা আছে কি?		হ্যাঁ হলে, টেলিভিশন আছে কি?	
১৩. সংঘটিত দুর্যোগের বিবরণঃ			

দুর্যোগের ধরণ (কোডসহ)	কারণ (কোডসহ)	সময়কাল (কোডসহ) (কোন মাসে)	উৎস(কোডসহ) (প্রাকৃতিক/ মানবসৃষ্ট)	স্থায়িত্ব (দিন/মাস)	ব্যাপ্তি (মৌজা /গ্রামের নাম)	কত দিন পর পর সংঘটিত হয়	গত ৫ বছরে কতবার সংঘটিত হয়েছে

**** যে সমস্ত তথ্য সংগ্রহ করতে হবে:** 1. শিক্ষাপ্রতিষ্ঠান (প্রাথমিক/নিম্নমাধ্যমিক/উচ্চ মাধ্যমিক বিদ্যালয়, মাদ্রাসা, কলেজ/বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়) 2. সাইক্লোনসেন্টার 3. হাসপাতাল/ক্লিনিক 4. ব্যক্তি মালিকানাধীন বহুতল ভবন 5. বাস/রেলস্টেশন 6. হেলিপ্যাড 7. স্টিমার/লঞ্চঘাট 8. বিমানবন্দর

দুর্যোগ কালীন সময়ে লোকজনদের আশ্রয়স্থল, অসুস্থ লোকজনদের জরুরি চিকিৎসার জন্য ফিল্ড হাসপাতাল স্থাপনের জায়গা, জরুরী ত্রাণ সহায়তা প্রদান ইত্যাদির জন্য অবকাঠামোর নাম, দুর্যোগকালীন সহায়তা, উদ্ধার ইত্যাদির জন্য যোগাযোগ ব্যবস্থার পূর্ণাঙ্গ বর্ণনা মাপে প্রদর্শন এবং প্রদত্ত ফরমে সঠিক তথ্য সংগ্রহ করা আবশ্যিক। জিপিএস রিডিংয়ের জন্য স্থাপনার নিকট গিয়ে রিডিং নিতে হবে।

তথ্য প্রদানকারীর নামঃ পিতার নামঃ মাতার নামঃ বয়সঃ পেশাঃ মোবাইল নম্বরঃ	তথ্য সংগ্রহকারীর স্বাক্ষর: নাম: পদবি: তথ্য সংগ্রহের তারিখ:	তত্ত্বাবধায়ক কর্মকর্তার স্বাক্ষর: কর্মকর্তার নাম: পদবি:
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