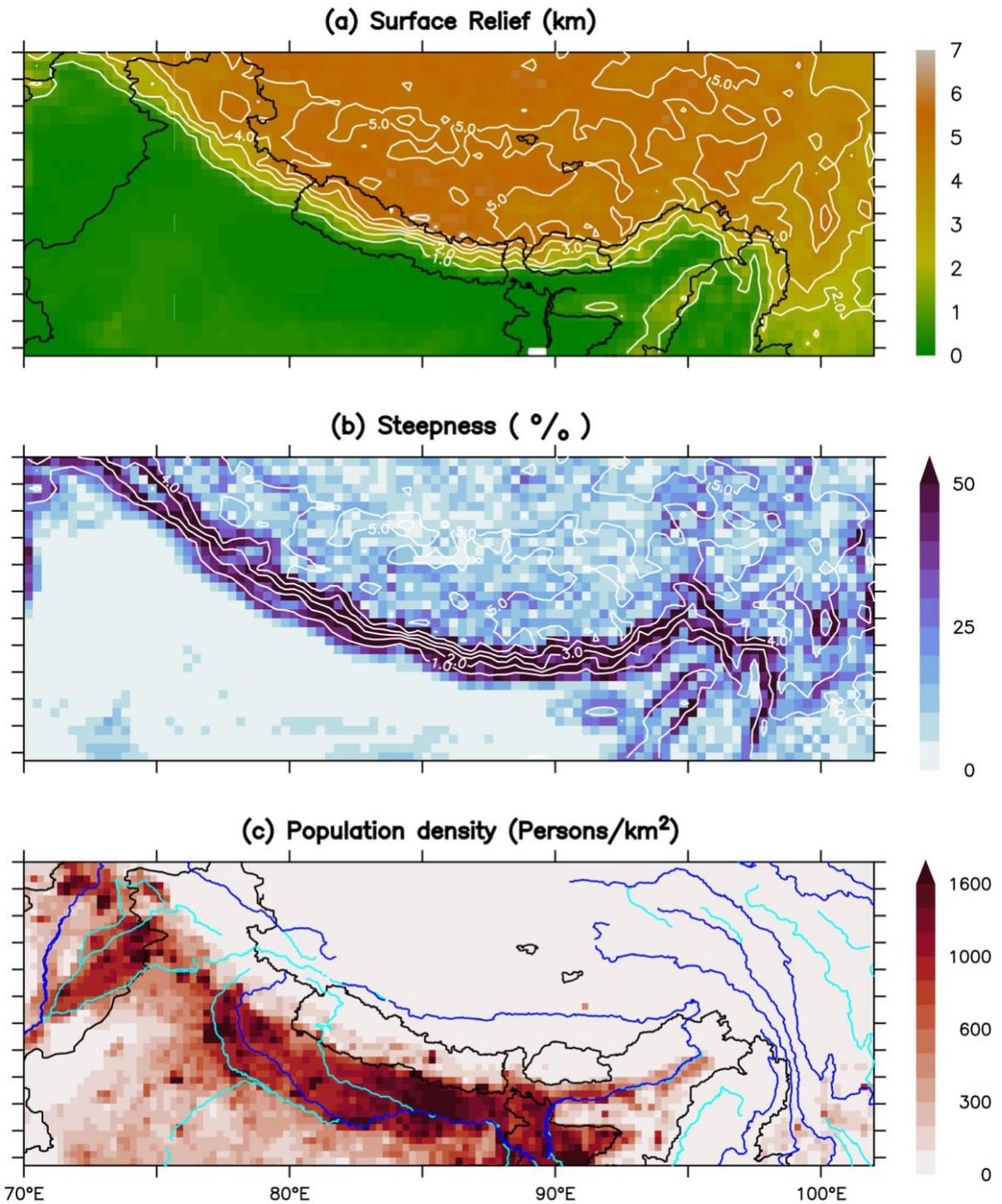


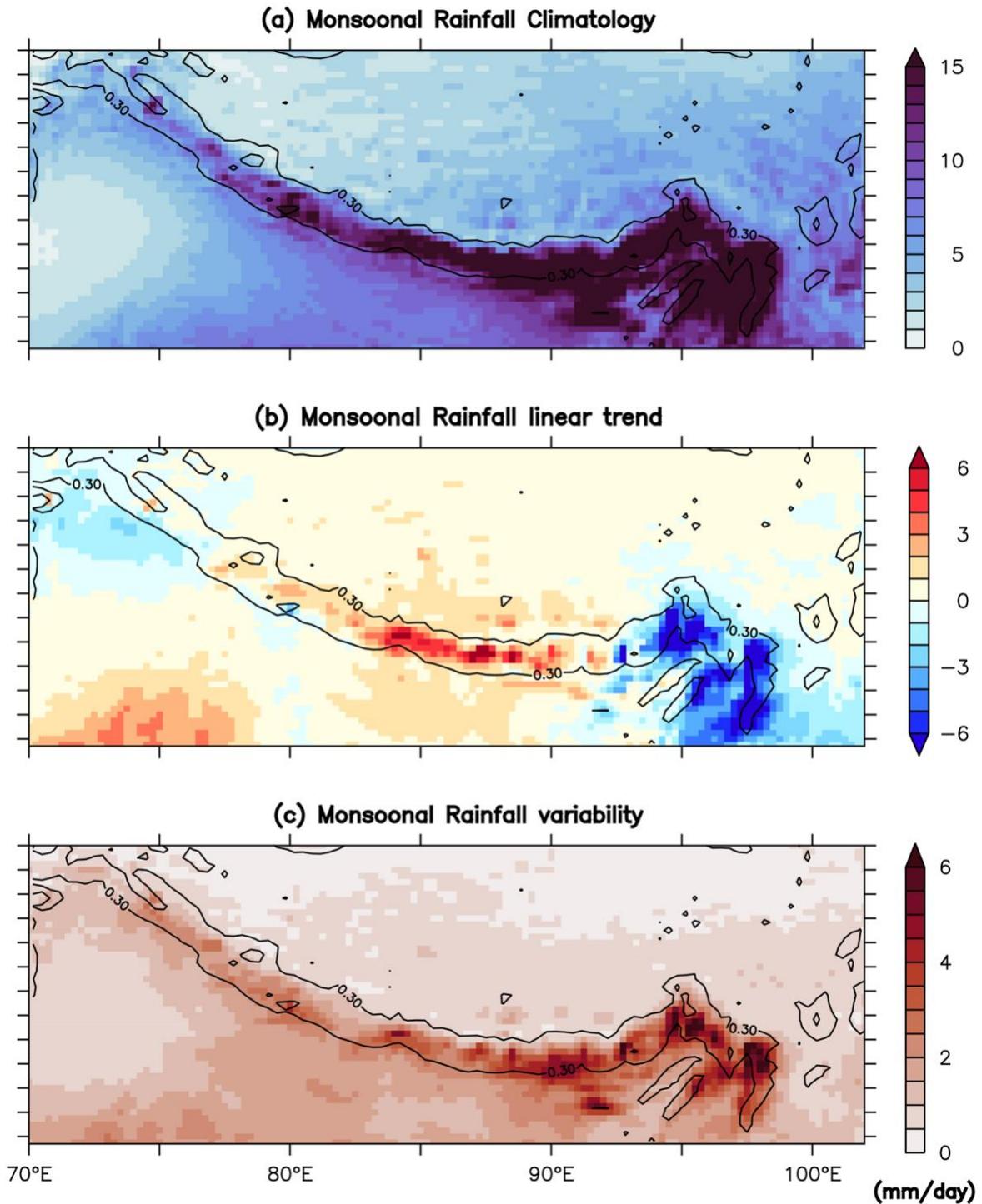
1 **Figures**



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 3 **Figure 1. Topographic elevation and demography of the Himalayan region.** (a) shaded surface
 4 relief (Topography surface of the Earth data at five-minute grid resolution;
 5 <https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/global/etopo5.HTML>) with overlaid national borders in black

6 color and surface relief contour intervals of 1km in white color. (b) Shaded steepness estimated
7 using the slope raster method with surface relief contour intervals of 1km in white color. (c) The
8 shaded population density map highlights the exposed population in 2020 (gridded population of
9 the world version 4 (GPWv4) population density; [https://sedac.ciesin.columbia.edu/data/set/gpw-](https://sedac.ciesin.columbia.edu/data/set/gpw-v4-population-density-rev11)
10 [v4-population-density-rev11](https://sedac.ciesin.columbia.edu/data/set/gpw-v4-population-density-rev11)) overlaid national borders in black color and river system in blue
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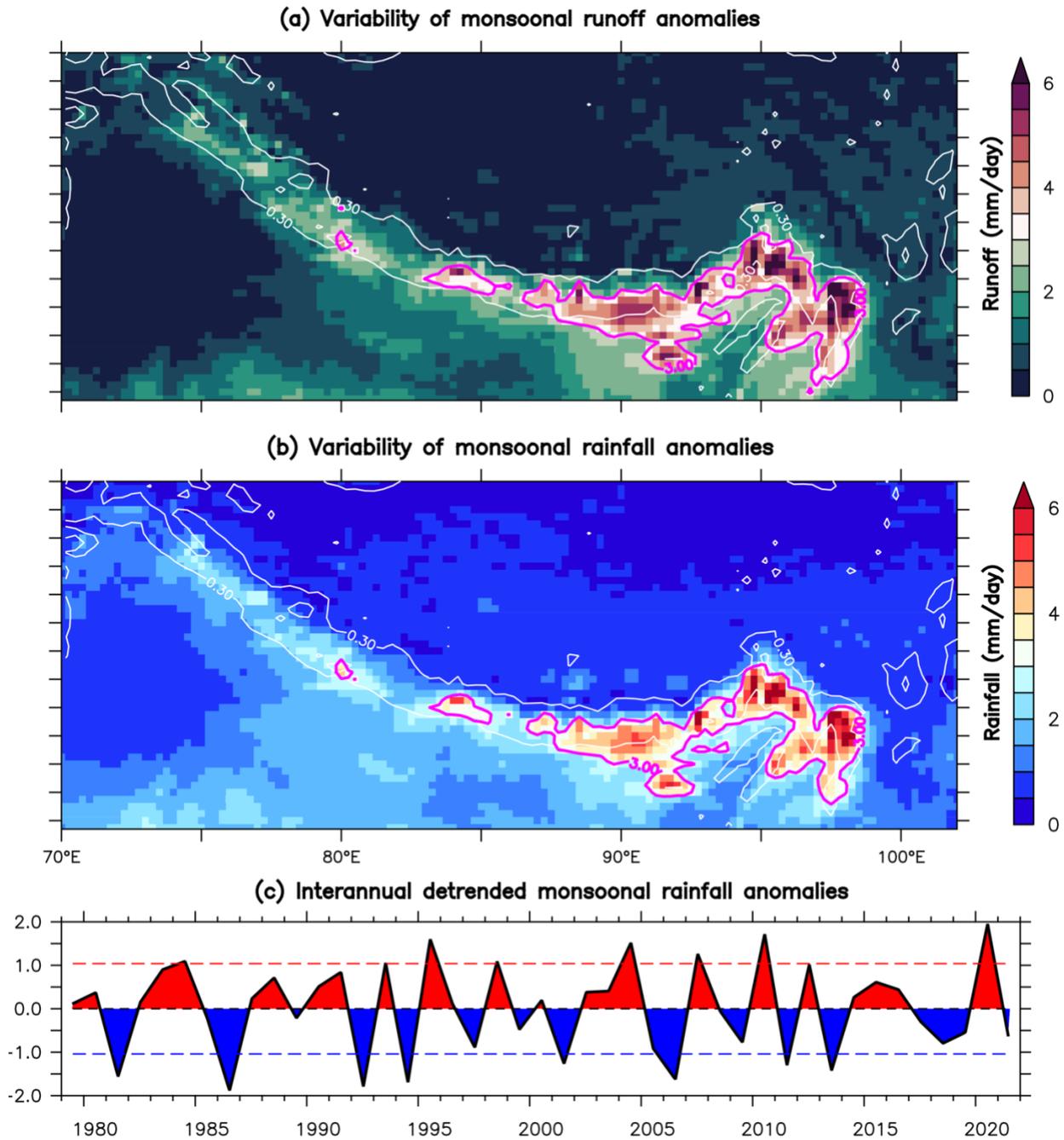
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15 **Figure 2. Monsoon seasonal rainfall features over the Himalayan foothills in the last 43 years.**

16 (a) Shaded mean rainfall climatology in Himalaya, (b) Shaded trend in rainfall estimated by linear

17 regression method. (c) Shaded rainfall variability in the last 43 years. Here, overlaid white color

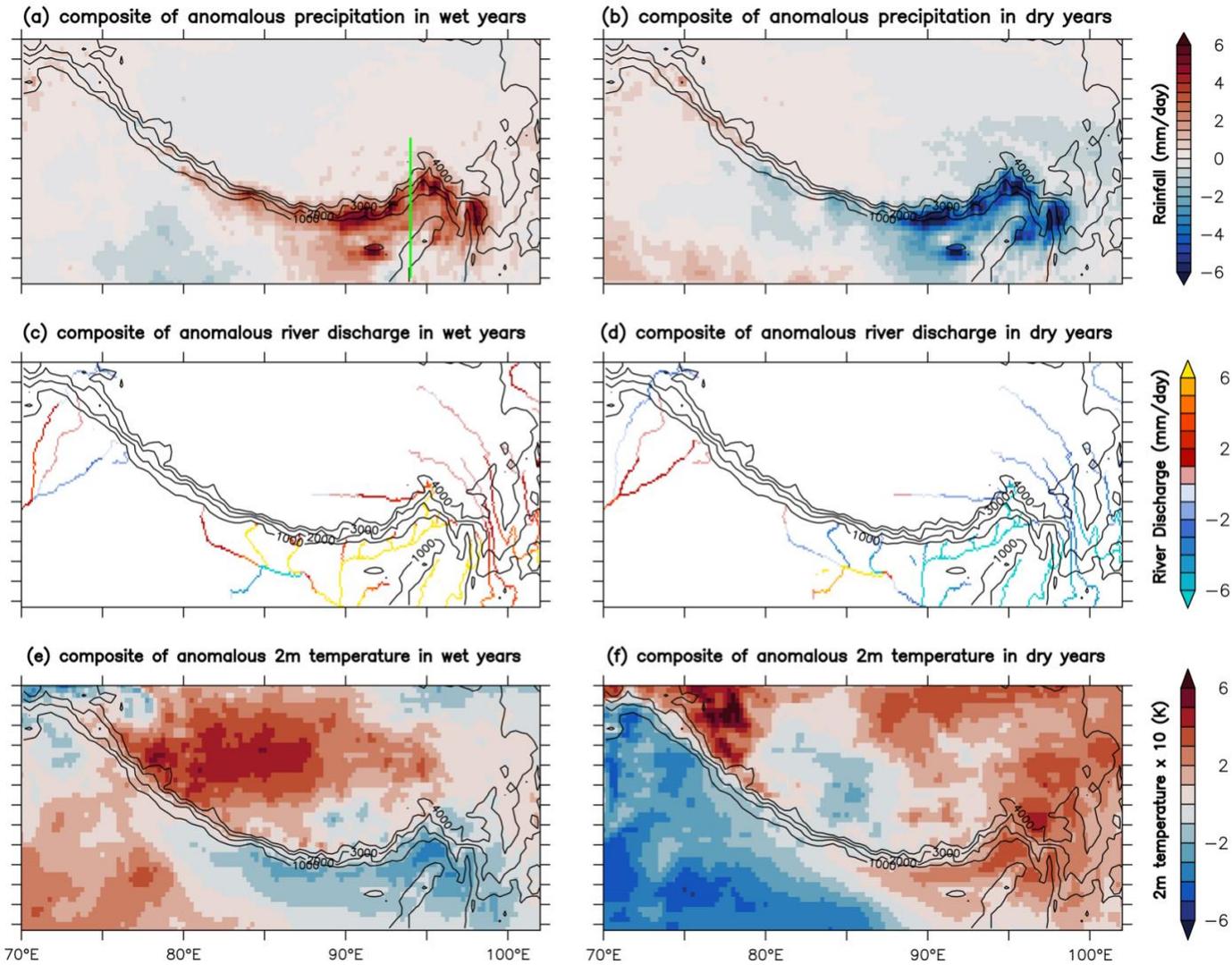
18 contours represent regions with elevation steepness higher than 30%.



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 21 **Figure 3. Interannual variability of the Himalayan hydroclimate.** (a) Shaded surface relief
 22 using the etopo5 dataset with overlaid national borders in black color, river system in blue and
 23 cyan color, (b) Interannual amplitude of rainfall anomalies during the last 43 years (1979-2021)
 24 from ERA5(Hersbach et al., 2020) (The fifth generation ECMWF reanalysis;
 25 <https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/home>) reanalysis dataset with white contours represent
 26 steep topography and black contours denote regions with associated variance more than 3 mm/day
 27 consider as high amplitude, and (c) Time series of the linearly detrended monsoonal rainfall

28 anomalies illustrated in plot, those are normalized with associated multi-year standard deviation.
29 Shaded red (blue) indicates extreme wet (dry) monsoon years. Here we have considered years
30 greater than the multi-year standard deviation (dashed line) of rainfall anomalies for further
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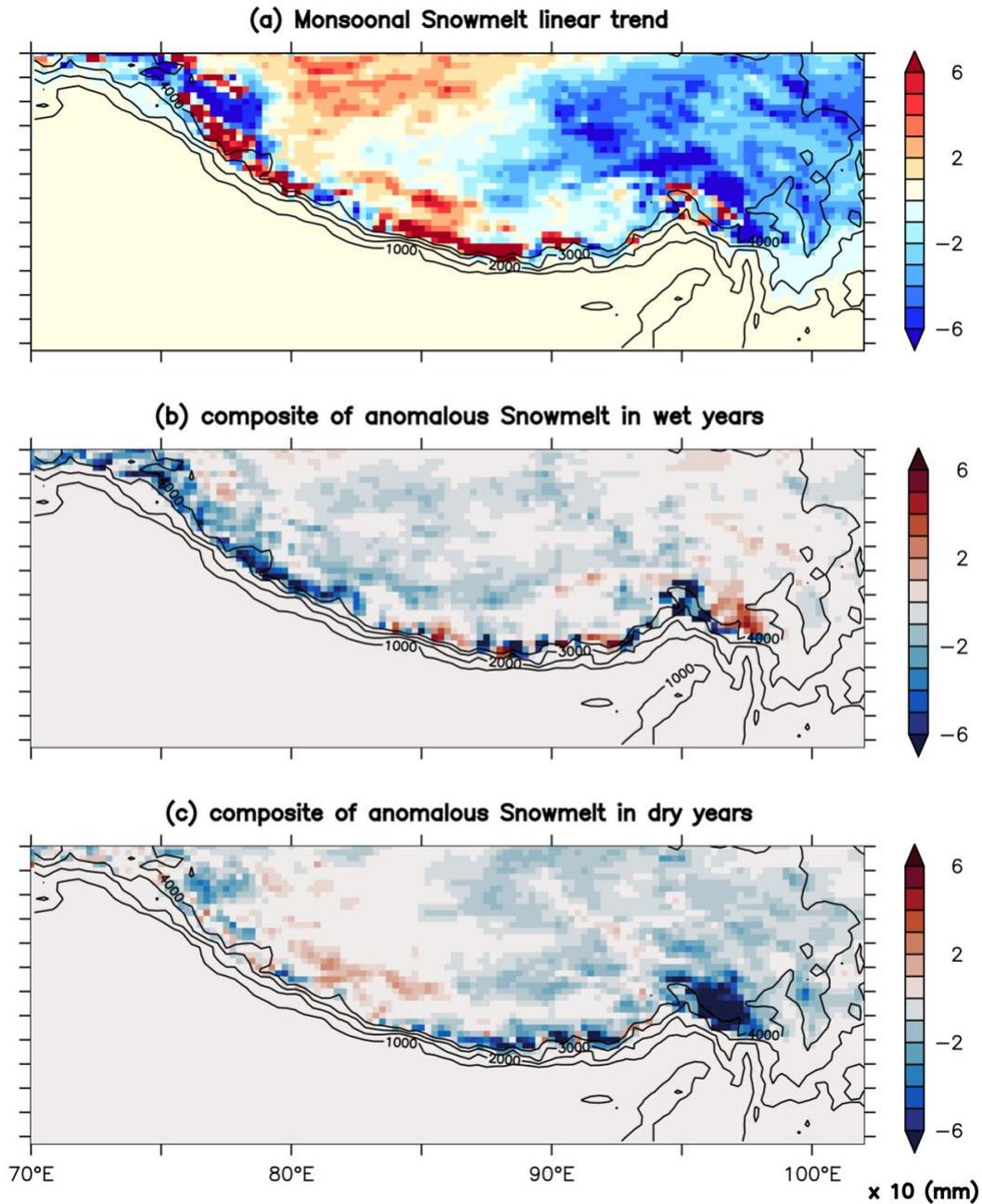
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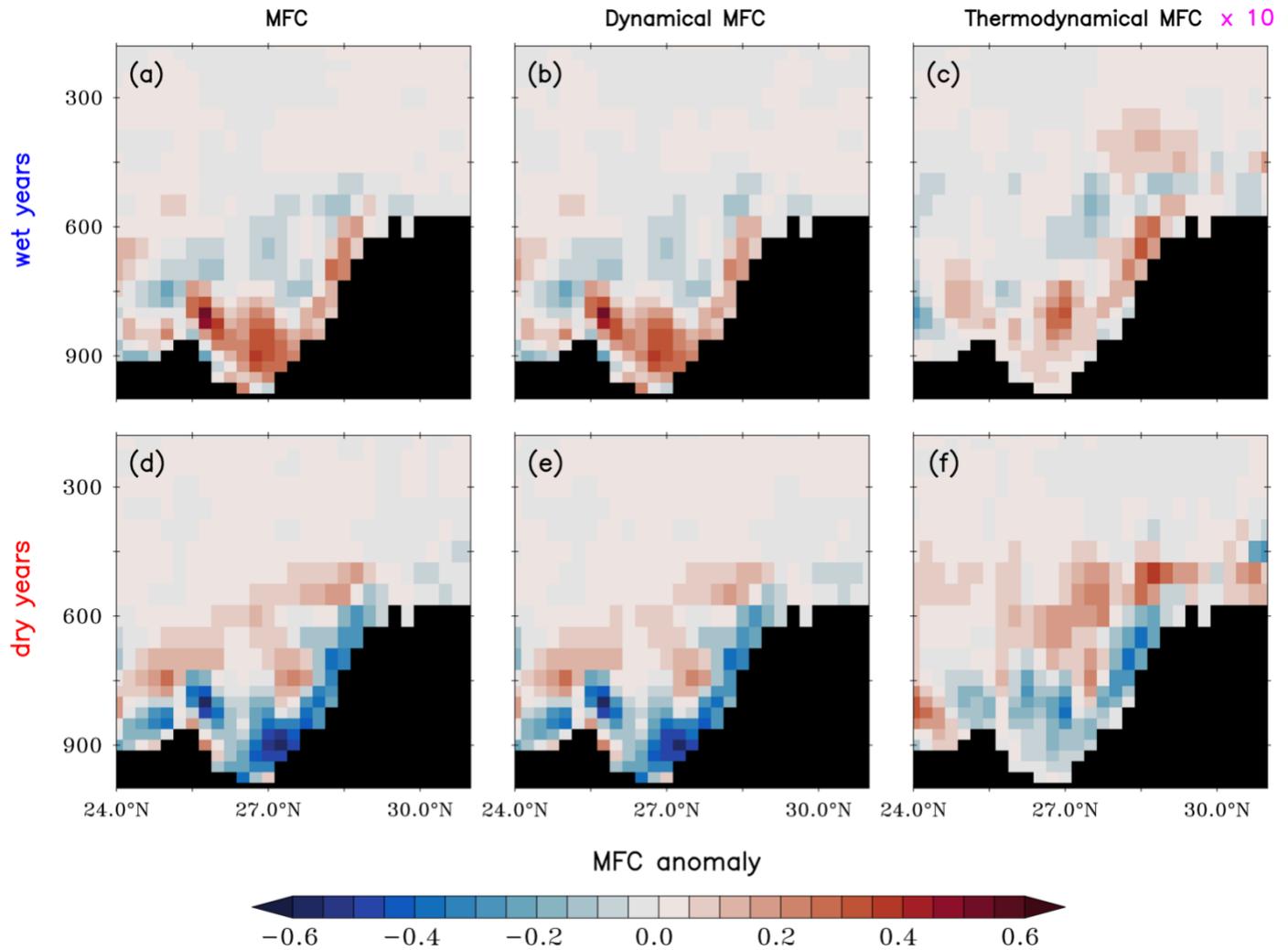
35 **Figure 4. Composite analysis for monsoonal hydroclimate during 1979–2021.** (a) Composite
 36 map of rainfall anomalies for wet years and (c) dry monsoon years using ERA5(Hersbach et al.,
 37 2020) dataset. (c) Composite map of mean river discharge anomalies for wet and (d) dry years
 38 using GloFAS-ERA5(Harrigan et al., 2020) (The GloFAS-ERA5 operational global river
 39 discharge dataset obtained from [https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/dataset/cems-glofas-](https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/dataset/cems-glofas-historical?tab=form)
 40 [historical?tab=form](https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/dataset/cems-glofas-historical?tab=form)) reanalysis). (e) Composite map of 2 m air temperature anomalies for wet and
 41 (f) dry years, multiply by 10 factor. Here black contour represents surface relief intervals from
 42 4000 to 1000 m.

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Figure 5. Composite map of snowmelt anomalies for wet and dry monsoon years. Shaded snowmelt (multiplied by 10) with surface relief contour intervals of 1km and white contour intervals denotes steepness. (a) Shaded trend in snowmelt estimated by linear regression method, (b) Composite map of anomalous snowmelt for wet years and and (c) dry monsoon years.

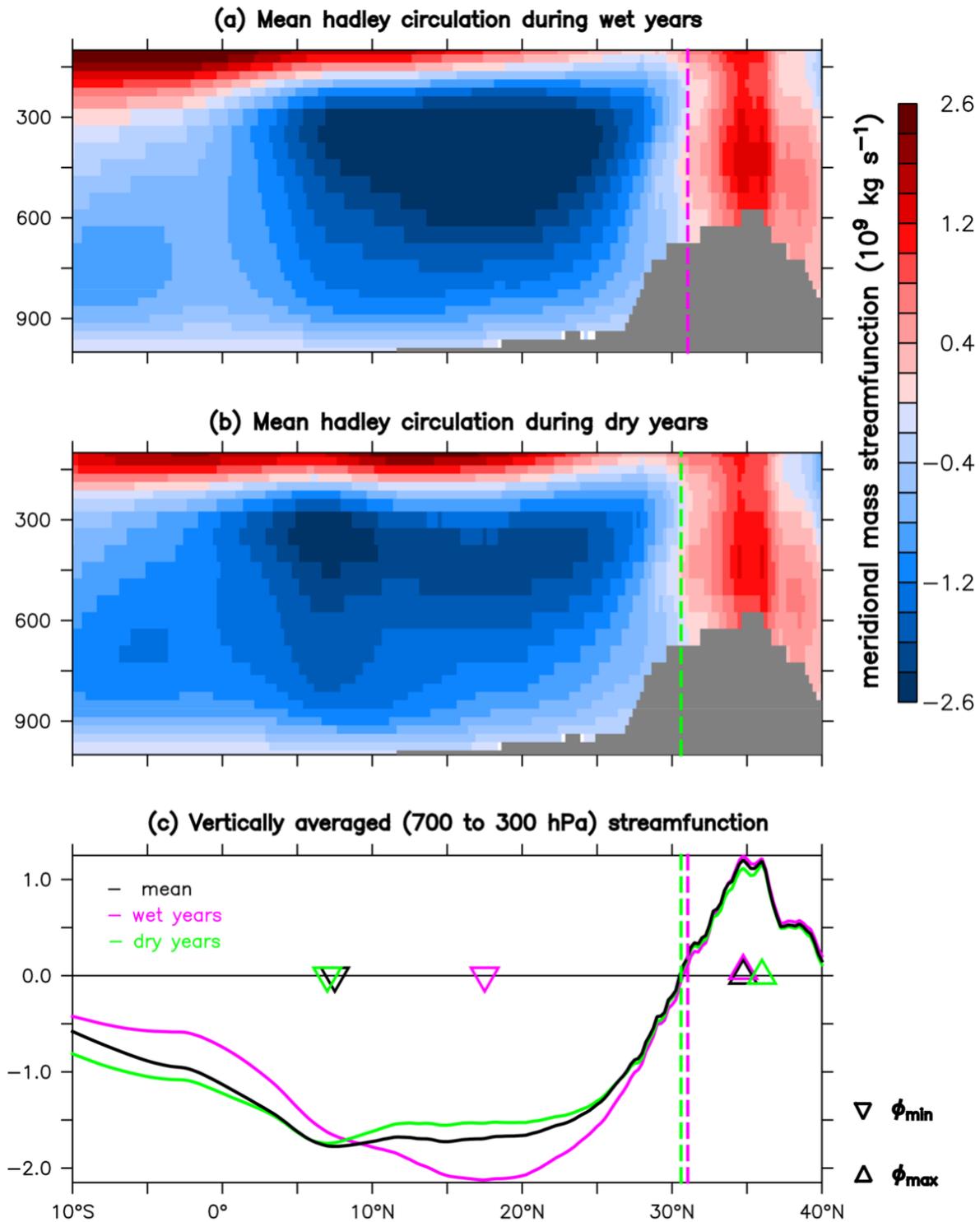


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52 **Figure 6. Anomalous moisture flux convergence for composite wet and dry monsoons.** Cross
 53 section taken over the green line represented in Fig 4 (a) where shaded quantities are moisture flux
 54 convergence, dynamical moisture flux convergence, and thermodynamical moisture flux
 55 convergence. (a)-(c) for composite wet years, and (b)-(f) for dry years respectively. Where
 56 thermodynamical moisture flux convergence is multiplied by 10. Here, elevation topography
 57 regions are masked by black color.

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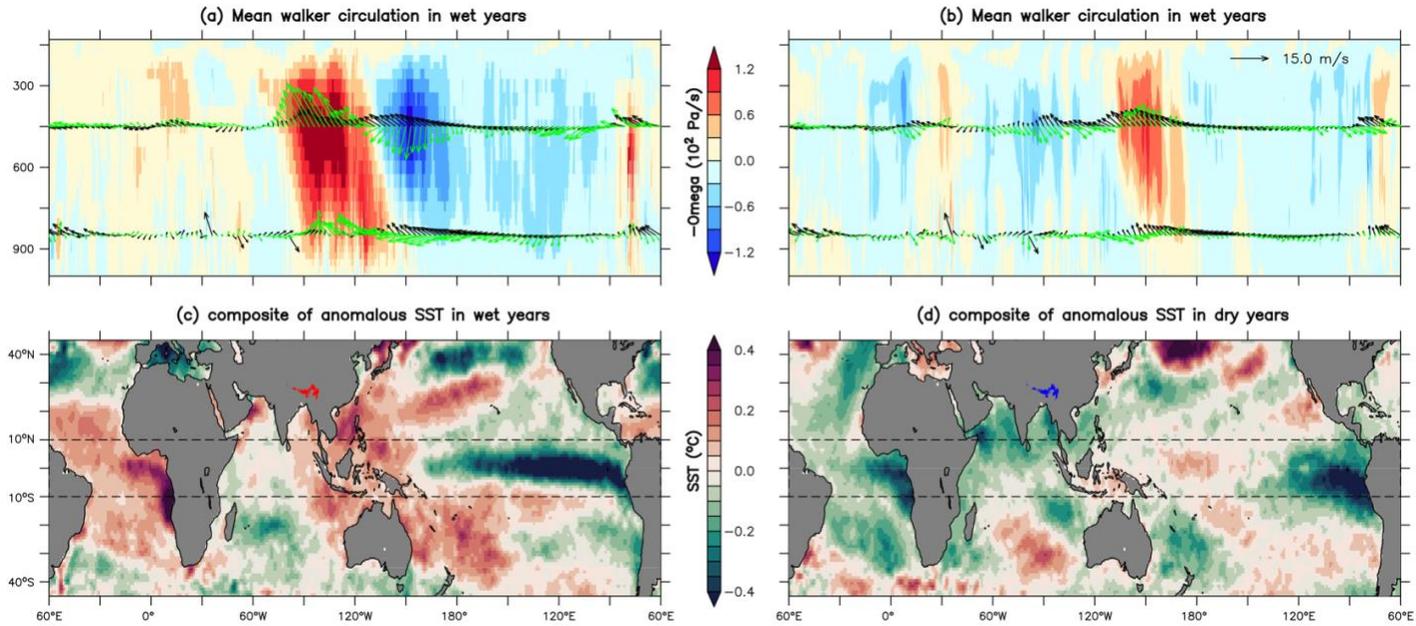
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Figure 7. Mean local Hadley circulation in wet and dry monsoon years. Zonal mean meridional Mass stream function averaged over 70°E to 102°E represents local monsoonal circulation (a) for composite wet year and (b) for dry year respectively. A negative (Positive) values of streamfunction indicates counterclockwise (clockwise) circulation. Here, the elevation topography

65 (averaged over 70°E to 102°E) regions are masked by grey color. (c) Vertically averaged (from
66 700 hPa to 300 hPa) zonal mean meridional streamfunction. The dashed line shows the location
67 of ITCZ; Maxima and minima latitudinal points are represented with upper and lower empty
68 triangles, respectively.

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74 **Figure 8. Mean global Walker circulation in wet and dry monsoon years with their composite**
75 **SST anomalies.** Anomalous omega (multiplied by -100) averaged over 10°S – 10°N is shaded (a)
76 for a composite wet year and (b) for a dry year, respectively. The black vector represented the
77 composite climatology of wind vectors, while the green vectors showed anomalous wind vectors
78 (multiplied by 10). SST anomalies (c) for wet and (d) dry years using HadSST. Here, the dashed
79 line shows the region consider for Walker circulation.