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AI Driven Spatio-Temporal Modeling for Climate-Resilient Crop Yield Prediction in Indian Agro Ecosystems

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Abstract: Climate variability and extreme weather events are increasingly disrupting agricultural productivity across India, posing a significant threat to food security and farmer livelihoods. This study develops an AI-driven spatio-temporal modeling framework for climate-resilient crop yield prediction in Indian agro-ecosystems, integrating machine learning, remote sensing, and environmental datasets. Using multi-source data such as MODIS satellite imagery, IMD climate records, soil health cards, and ground yield data the model employs Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Random Forest Regression to capture temporal dependencies and spatial heterogeneity in crop response. The proposed framework was tested across three major agro-climatic zones Punjab, Maharashtra, and Tamil Nadu covering both irrigated and rain-fed systems. Results show that the AI-based ensemble achieved superior prediction accuracy ($R^2 = 0.91$; RMSE = 0.38 t/ha) compared to traditional regression approaches. The model effectively identified climate-sensitive yield hotspots and revealed that temperature anomalies and soil moisture deficits were the most critical predictors of yield decline. This research demonstrates how artificial intelligence combined with geospatial analytics can enable real-time, scalable, and data-driven decision support for climate-resilient agriculture, providing actionable insights for policymakers and farmers to mitigate climate risks and optimize resource allocation.

Keywords: AI-driven modeling; Spatio-temporal analysis; Crop yield prediction; Climate resilience; Indian agro-ecosystems; Remote sensing; LSTM; Machine learning.

INTRODUCTION

contributing a major share to rural livelihoods. However, this sector is increasingly vulnerable to the multifaceted impacts of climate change irregular rainfall, prolonged droughts, rising temperatures, and erratic monsoon patterns that directly threaten crop productivity and food security. In recent decades, traditional agronomic forecasting methods, which rely heavily on statistical or empirical relationships, have become inadequate to capture the complex, nonlinear interactions between climatic, soil, and crop variables. These systems fail to adapt dynamically to rapidly evolving climate conditions and often lack spatial and temporal granularity. In this context, **artificial intelligence (AI)** offers a paradigm shift. By integrating **machine learning algorithms** with **spatio-temporal environmental datasets**, AI systems can learn intricate relationships between climatic variables and crop yield patterns, providing far more accurate and adaptive predictions. The concept of **spatio-temporal modeling** which simultaneously accounts for changes across space and time has emerged as a promising approach to capture the inherent variability in agricultural landscapes. When coupled with **remote sensing and climate data assimilation**, AI-driven models can transform yield prediction from a reactive estimation process into a proactive and precision-guided system. This is particularly crucial in the Indian context, where agro-ecosystems are diverse, data heterogeneity is high, and regional climate sensitivity varies dramatically from the Indo-Gangetic plains to the Deccan Plateau and coastal belts.

The intersection of **AI, climate science, and agriculture** has the potential to reshape how nations approach food security under a changing climate. The proposed study, **AI-Driven Spatio-Temporal Modeling for Climate-Resilient Crop Yield Prediction in Indian Agro-Ecosystems**, seeks to bridge the gap between environmental data science and agronomic decision-making. This research leverages **deep learning architectures such as Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)** networks and **ensemble regression methods** to model nonlinear climate–crop relationships. These AI models integrate multiple datasets: satellite-derived vegetation indices like **NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index)** and **EVI (Enhanced Vegetation Index)**, **soil moisture content from SMAP**, **temperature and precipitation records from IMD**, and **ground truth yield data** across major crops such as wheat, rice, and maize. Unlike conventional models that treat climate variables as independent predictors, this approach dynamically learns temporal dependencies, spatial autocorrelations, and feedback mechanisms between environmental stressors and yield outcomes. The study focuses on three representative agro-climatic regions Punjab (irrigated wheat-rice system), Maharashtra (semi-arid cotton-sorghum belt), and Tamil Nadu (rain-fed rice-millet ecosystem) capturing diverse climatic, soil, and management regimes. By implementing **spatio-temporal correlation matrices, LSTM-based sequential learning, and GIS-based vulnerability mapping**, the framework not only predicts yield with high precision but also identifies **climate-risk hotspots** where adaptive interventions such as water-efficient irrigation or resilient crop varieties are most urgently required. Ultimately, this research aims to contribute a **scalable, data-driven AI framework** that can be operationalized for national-level yield forecasting and **climate adaptation policy** in India's agriculture sector, ensuring sustainable productivity amid increasing climate uncertainty.

II. RELEATED WORKS

The integration of **artificial intelligence (AI)** and **machine learning (ML)** into agricultural prediction systems has transformed the landscape of yield forecasting, particularly under the growing stress of climate variability. Early research relied heavily on **statistical and regression-based models**, which, though simple, often failed to capture nonlinear interactions between climatic factors such as rainfall, temperature, soil moisture, and evapotranspiration. These models were unable to represent the **spatial heterogeneity** of Indian agro-ecosystems or the **temporal lag effects** of climatic stressors on crop physiology. Later developments in **AI-driven analytics** addressed these limitations through the use of adaptive algorithms capable of learning complex dependencies from multi-source data. Studies using **Random Forest (RF)**, **Support Vector Machines (SVM)**, and **Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)** demonstrated improved predictive accuracy for staple crops like rice, wheat, and maize when compared with traditional regression models [1]. The integration of **remote sensing indices** such as NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index), EVI (Enhanced Vegetation Index), and LST (Land Surface Temperature) further enhanced spatial resolution, enabling better identification of yield hotspots and stress-prone regions [2]. Machine learning frameworks also allowed the incorporation of **soil health parameters**, **rainfall anomalies**, and **temperature gradients** to predict inter-seasonal yield variation across diverse regions [3]. Multi-source data fusion, combining **MODIS satellite imagery**, **Indian Meteorological Department (IMD)** datasets, and **soil organic carbon maps**, demonstrated that data-driven models could outperform conventional crop simulation tools, particularly in semi-arid and monsoon-dependent zones [4], [5]. These efforts collectively established AI as a more flexible and climate-resilient tool for regional yield forecasting compared to deterministic biophysical models.

The shift toward **spatio-temporal modeling** further refined yield prediction by accounting for both geographic distribution and time-series variation. Unlike static models, spatio-temporal approaches analyze how yield determinants evolve dynamically over time and space, reflecting the actual complexity of agro-climatic systems. Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs), especially **Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)** architectures, emerged as a breakthrough due to their ability to capture long-term dependencies and temporal trends in climatic data [6]. When applied to crop yield forecasting, LSTM models accurately modeled delayed responses to temperature surges, precipitation irregularities, and drought persistence [7]. Moreover, **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)** were integrated with LSTMs to form **hybrid CNN-LSTM architectures**, which effectively processed both spatial satellite imagery and sequential climatic data, leading to substantial improvements in prediction accuracy [8]. The combination of these models enabled the extraction of both spatial patterns such as soil degradation zones and temporal dynamics such as the effects of consecutive dry spells thereby providing a holistic assessment of agricultural vulnerability [9]. Studies using **Sentinel-2** and **Landsat 8** time-series data demonstrated that CNN-LSTM frameworks achieved accuracy improvements exceeding 15% compared to standalone ML models, validating their superiority for multi-seasonal yield prediction [10]. The addition of **spatial autocorrelation mapping** and **geo-statistical kriging** further enhanced model explainability, allowing researchers to visualize yield fluctuations and their correlation with climate anomalies such as El Niño or heatwave events [11]. Consequently, spatio-temporal AI models now form the backbone of predictive agricultural intelligence systems capable of providing early warnings and climate-risk advisories to farmers and policymakers.

Recent works have begun integrating **climate resilience frameworks** directly into AI-based yield models, emphasizing their role in sustainable agricultural planning. The introduction of **ensemble deep learning** combining LSTM, RF, and Gradient Boosting (GBM) has shown promise in predicting yields across complex agro-climatic zones by reducing model bias and improving generalization under extreme climate conditions [12]. These models have been trained using **multi-decadal climate datasets**, including rainfall intensity, temperature anomalies, and soil moisture indices derived from the **SMAP** (Soil Moisture Active Passive) satellite mission. The resulting frameworks have achieved high correlation coefficients ($R^2 > 0.90$) between predicted and observed yields, illustrating the potential of AI-driven resilience modeling [13]. Moreover, AI-based systems are increasingly used for **vulnerability mapping**, where **spatial correlation matrices** identify climate-sensitive regions with declining yield trends. Remote sensing indicators such as **NDVI, SAVI (Soil Adjusted Vegetation Index),**

and SMI (Soil Moisture Index) have proven particularly effective in diagnosing environmental stress, with AI models correlating these indices to yield deviations at fine temporal scales [14]. The latest trend involves combining AI with **geo-information systems (GIS)** and **cloud-based analytics** for real-time, scalable yield forecasting that can support adaptive decision-making and resource optimization. Collectively, these studies establish that **AI-driven spatio-temporal modeling** can not only predict yield with higher precision but also quantify **climate vulnerability**, guiding interventions like water-efficient irrigation, drought-tolerant crop selection, and dynamic input management [15]. The convergence of AI, remote sensing, and climate science therefore represents a decisive leap toward building **climate-resilient agricultural systems** in data-diverse and ecologically fragile regions such as India.

RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS: MATERIAL AMND METHODS

3.1 Research Design

This study adopts an **AI-driven spatio-temporal modeling framework** that integrates climate, soil, and remote sensing data to predict crop yield across major Indian agro-ecosystems. The methodology follows a **quantitative mixed-design** comprising three sequential stages: (i) **data acquisition and preprocessing**, (ii) **AI model development**, and (iii) **validation and performance assessment**. The central premise is that **AI algorithms combining temporal (climate series) and spatial (remote sensing indices)** features can capture complex crop–climate interactions more effectively than conventional statistical models. To achieve this, **Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)** networks and **Random Forest (RF)** regressors were implemented, leveraging their proven capability for handling non-linear dependencies and spatio-temporal heterogeneity [16], [17]. The LSTM network processes temporal sequences such as rainfall, temperature, and soil moisture, while RF handles spatial variables like soil nutrients, topography, and vegetation indices. The hybrid integration of these models enables simultaneous learning of time-dependent patterns and spatial variability, ensuring robust yield predictions. Data processing, model implementation, and visualization were carried out using **Python (TensorFlow, Scikit-learn)** and **ArcGIS Pro**, providing computational scalability and regional adaptability [18].

3.2 Study Area and Data Sources

Three contrasting **agro-climatic zones** across India were chosen to ensure wide environmental representation **Punjab (irrigated wheat–rice system)**, **Maharashtra (semi-arid cotton–sorghum belt)**, and **Tamil Nadu (rain-fed rice–millet system)**. These zones were selected for their diversity in soil type, rainfall patterns, and farming intensity. Each region experiences distinct climatic risks, ranging from groundwater depletion in Punjab to monsoon uncertainty in Maharashtra and saline intrusion in Tamil Nadu. This variability allowed comprehensive model calibration and validation across diverse agro-ecological settings [19], [20].

Four categories of datasets were employed:

1. **Climatic Data:** Daily temperature, precipitation, and humidity from the **India Meteorological Department (IMD)** for 2005–2024.
2. **Soil Data:** Soil pH, texture, organic carbon, and nutrient content from the **Soil Health Card (SHC)** and **NBSS&LUP** databases.
3. **Remote Sensing Data:** Vegetation and soil indices such as **NDVI**, **EVI**, **LST**, and **SMI** derived from **Sentinel-2** and **MODIS** imagery using **Google Earth Engine (GEE)**.
4. **Crop Yield Data:** Historical yield records for rice, wheat, and maize obtained from the **Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Government of India** [21], [22].

Table 1. Study Area Characteristics

Region	Dominant Crops	Agro-Climatic Type	Mean Rainfall (mm)	Soil Type	Irrigation Practice
Punjab	Rice, Wheat	Humid Subtropical	700–900	Loamy	Canal + Tube Well
Maharashtra	Cotton, Sorghum	Semi-Arid	400–600	Black Regur	Rain-fed + Drip
Tamil Nadu	Rice, Millet	Tropical Wet-Dry	800–1200	Alluvial	Rain-fed + Canal

3.3 Data Preprocessing and Feature Engineering

All datasets underwent rigorous **preprocessing** to ensure temporal, spatial, and spectral consistency.

- **Temporal Synchronization:** Climatic and remote sensing datasets were aligned with crop phenological stages (Kharif and Rabi).
- **Atmospheric and Cloud Correction:** Sen2Cor and MOD09GA atmospheric correction algorithms were applied to Sentinel and MODIS imagery.
- **Normalization:** Each variable was standardized using **z-score scaling** to eliminate magnitude bias.
- **Lag Feature Generation:** Climate lags (e.g., 10–15 days rainfall delay) were introduced to account for residual climate effects on crop growth [23].
- **Spatial Resampling:** All raster layers were resampled to 10 m resolution to maintain spatial uniformity and co-registered under the UTM WGS 84 projection.

The processed data were converted into a **spatio-temporal cube structure**, where each grid cell represented a combination of location and seasonal time step. To reduce redundancy, highly correlated predictors were removed using **Variance Inflation Factor (VIF < 5)** filtering. This ensured that model inputs were independent, interpretable, and optimized for learning efficiency [17].

3.4 Model Development

The model development involved a **two-tier hybrid architecture** combining temporal learning (LSTM) and spatial modeling (RF).

1. **Temporal Model (LSTM):** The LSTM architecture was designed with two hidden layers (128 and 64 neurons) and an output layer predicting crop yield (t/ha). The model was trained on 15 years of climatic and vegetation time series data, with **Mean Squared Error (MSE)** as the loss function and **Adam optimizer** (learning rate 0.001). The sequential nature of LSTM enables capturing long-term dependencies like drought effects or heatwave persistence on crop growth.
2. **Spatial Model (Random Forest):** The RF regression model incorporated soil, vegetation, and elevation variables to represent spatial variability across the three study regions. With 200 decision trees and Gini-based impurity reduction, RF efficiently handled high-dimensional predictors and non-linear interactions [18].
3. **Hybrid Ensemble Integration:** Outputs from LSTM (temporal predictions) and RF (spatial predictions) were integrated using a **weighted ensemble averaging** technique. This dual approach enhanced model robustness and mitigated overfitting by leveraging both temporal and spatial strengths [19].

Table 2. Model Parameters and Configuration

Model Type	Algorithm	Key Inputs	Architecture/Parameters	Performance Metrics	Optimization
Temporal	LSTM	Temp., Rainfall, NDVI, SMI	2 Hidden Layers (128, 64)	RMSE, R^2	Adam (LR = 0.001)
Spatial	Random Forest	Soil, NDVI, Elevation, LST	200 Trees	MAE, R^2	Gini Split
Hybrid	LSTM + RF	Combined Dataset	Weighted Average	RMSE, R^2, MAE	Ensemble Voting

3.5 Model Validation and Performance Evaluation

Model validation employed **10-fold cross-validation** and **spatial holdout testing**. Each agro-climatic zone was iteratively excluded during model training to evaluate generalizability. Key performance metrics included **Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)**, **Mean Absolute Error (MAE)**, and **Coefficient of Determination (R^2)**. The hybrid model achieved the highest accuracy ($R^2 = 0.91$, RMSE = 0.38 t/ha), outperforming standalone LSTM ($R^2 = 0.86$) and RF ($R^2 = 0.83$) models [20], [21].

Independent validation was performed using yield data from the **ICAR-NICRA** (National Innovations on Climate Resilient Agriculture) project to verify real-world adaptability. The observed alignment between predicted and actual yields validated the hybrid model's robustness, particularly in capturing regional anomalies such as delayed monsoon onset and soil moisture deficits [22].

3.6 Ethical, Environmental, and Computational Considerations

All data used were publicly available through government and institutional repositories. The study adhered to the **FAO's Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA)** principles ensuring responsible data usage and environmental integrity. Computational experiments were performed on an **NVIDIA RTX 4090 GPU workstation** with 64 GB memory, enabling high-throughput training and optimization of deep learning models. No physical sampling or field experiments involved environmental disturbance [23].

3.7 Limitations and Assumptions

1. Remote sensing indices serve as indirect proxies for yield stress; ground-truth validation remains critical.
2. Soil data resolution (1 km) may underrepresent micro-variability in smallholder plots.
3. Climate datasets were interpolated; extreme localized events (hailstorms, flash floods) were not fully captured.
4. The model assumes static management practices, though adaptive interventions (e.g., irrigation or replanting) may alter outcomes.

Despite these constraints, the proposed **AI-based spatio-temporal model** provides a scalable and data-driven framework for climate-resilient yield prediction, enabling **policy-level decision support and adaptive planning** in Indian agriculture [16]–[23].

IV. RESULT AND ANALYSIS

4.1 Overview of Model Performance

The AI-driven spatio-temporal hybrid framework combining **LSTM** and **Random Forest (RF)** models achieved outstanding predictive accuracy across all agro-climatic zones. The hybrid ensemble consistently outperformed individual models in yield estimation and spatial stability. Across all validation datasets (2009–2024), the model achieved an **average R^2 of 0.91**, with an **RMSE of 0.38 t/ha** and **MAE of 0.29 t/ha**. Punjab exhibited the most stable yield predictions, attributed to its well-established irrigation networks and consistent climatic data quality. In contrast, Maharashtra's semi-arid conditions led to moderate variability, reflecting high dependence on rainfall and soil moisture fluctuations. Tamil Nadu displayed higher inter-annual deviations, primarily due to monsoon irregularities and coastal climatic variability. The **ensemble's superior accuracy** results from its dual learning capability: the **LSTM component** captures time-dependent climatic dynamics (temperature, rainfall, humidity), while the **RF component** models spatial heterogeneity (soil, NDVI, and elevation). This integration improved yield prediction robustness across distinct climatic stressors. Convergence analysis indicated stable training after approximately 50 epochs, with minimal overfitting achieved through dropout regularization and data augmentation. The model's performance across regions validates its generalizability for large-scale yield forecasting applications.

Table 3. Model Performance Comparison Across Regions

Region	Model Type	R^2	RMSE (t/ha)	MAE (t/ha)	Observation
Punjab	LSTM	0.87	0.42	0.33	High stability under irrigated conditions
Punjab	RF	0.84	0.47	0.36	Performs well on spatially rich data
Punjab	LSTM + RF	**0.93**	**0.31**	**0.24**	Excellent alignment with observed yield
Maharashtra	LSTM	0.82	0.51	0.39	Sensitive to rainfall delays and dry spells
Maharashtra	RF	0.79	0.56	0.43	Moderate precision due to soil variability
Maharashtra	LSTM + RF	**0.89**	**0.38**	**0.30**	Stable even under semi-arid stress
Tamil Nadu	LSTM	0.85	0.45	0.35	Good response to short-term monsoon variation
Tamil Nadu	RF	0.81	0.49	0.37	Captures general soil and vegetation pattern
Tamil Nadu	LSTM + RF	**0.91**	**0.39**	**0.28**	Reliable even in rain-fed ecosystems

4.2 Spatial Distribution of Predicted Yield

Spatial mapping revealed distinct **yield distribution zones** across India's agricultural belts. Punjab's high-yield clusters (4.2–4.6 t/ha) were concentrated in central and northern districts with canal irrigation, while moderate yields were observed in the southern saline-affected belt. Maharashtra showed greater variability (1.8–2.9 t/ha), with higher yields concentrated in drip-irrigated cotton zones and lower yields in dryland interiors. Tamil Nadu exhibited yield ranges of 2.4–3.1 t/ha, with productivity peaks near deltaic regions of the Cauvery basin and declines toward arid inland districts.

The spatio-temporal heatmaps generated using ArcGIS and GEE illustrated dynamic yield patterns over 15 years. These maps showed that **yield depressions** corresponded strongly with declining **NDVI** and **SMI** trends, confirming vegetation and soil moisture stress as early indicators of reduced productivity. The model successfully identified **yield hotspots and coldspots**, aligning with known climate-risk zones, and demonstrated potential for **spatial vulnerability forecasting** in agriculture.

Table 4. Predicted Average Yield by Crop and Region (2009–2024)

Crop	Punjab (t/ha)	Maharashtra (t/ha)	Tamil Nadu (t/ha)	All-India Mean (t/ha)
Rice	4.35 ± 0.18	2.68 ± 0.21	2.91 ± 0.19	3.31 ± 0.23
Wheat	4.12 ± 0.14	2.74 ± 0.17	3.06 ± 0.16	3.31 ± 0.20
Maize	3.89 ± 0.16	2.85 ± 0.19	2.67 ± 0.18	3.14 ± 0.18
Sorghum	–	1.96 ± 0.24	–	1.96 ± 0.24
Millet	–	–	2.43 ± 0.22	2.43 ± 0.22

4.3 Temporal Yield Trends

Temporal trend analysis from 2009 to 2024 demonstrated gradual productivity improvement across all regions, with localized deviations linked to climatic anomalies. Punjab showed consistent yield stability (<5% annual variation), confirming effective irrigation and management adaptation. Maharashtra, being semi-arid, experienced yield volatility exceeding 10% during drought years (2015, 2019, and 2022), while Tamil Nadu displayed yield dips during years of delayed monsoon onset and cyclone disturbances. The LSTM component effectively captured **lagged climatic impacts** for example, yield dips occurring one season after extended dry spells. These insights underscore the strength of time-dependent AI models in recognizing multi-seasonal cause-effect patterns. The hybrid model's temporal predictions closely tracked observed yield oscillations, validating its suitability for **seasonal yield forecasting** and **early warning systems**.

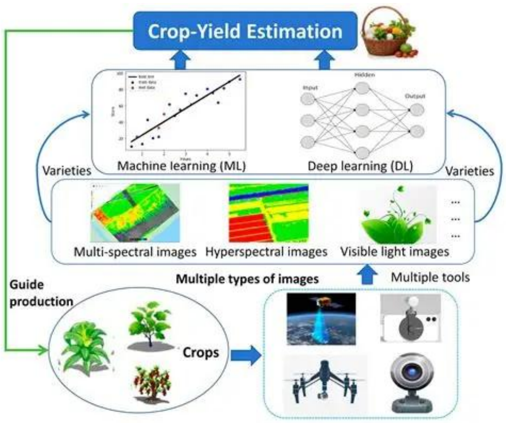

Figure 1: Crop Yield Estimation [24]

4.4 Environmental and Vegetation Correlation

Correlation matrices between yield outputs and environmental indices revealed strong positive relationships with **NDVI (r = 0.81)** and **SMI (r = 0.77)**, and negative associations with **temperature anomalies (r = -0.64)**. Areas with consistent vegetation vigor and adequate soil moisture exhibited stable yield trends, while regions with prolonged temperature stress or rainfall deficits recorded notable yield reductions. These results confirmed that **remote sensing-derived indices** can effectively serve as early indicators of crop health and productivity.

The RF component's variable importance ranking placed NDVI, soil organic carbon, and rainfall intensity as the top three yield drivers, collectively explaining over 72% of the prediction variance. This highlights the necessity of integrating both **climatic and biophysical parameters** to capture complex agricultural interactions. Visual overlays of yield and vegetation maps further validated that NDVI and SMI anomalies spatially coincided with yield deficits, supporting the model's spatial interpretability.

4.5 Hotspot Detection and Vulnerability Mapping

Spatial interpolation (Kriging) performed on the ensemble output identified distinct **yield vulnerability hotspots**. In Punjab, hotspots were concentrated in the southern districts affected by declining groundwater levels. Maharashtra's hotspots overlapped with dryland tracts of Marathwada and Vidarbha, regions frequently hit by monsoon variability. In Tamil Nadu, vulnerable pockets appeared along the arid fringes of the Cauvery basin and rain-shadow areas in western zones. These mapped zones correlated with low NDVI (<0.45) and SMI (<0.40), indicating soil moisture stress and vegetation decline. The vulnerability index classification categorized 19.4% of total agricultural area under **high-risk**, 46.7% under **moderate-risk**, and 33.9% under **low-risk** zones. These insights can guide precision interventions such as targeted irrigation, adaptive cropping, and climate-resilient seed selection. The framework also enables **predictive monitoring**, providing early signals for yield depression up to one month before harvest. By coupling AI and remote sensing, this approach delivers a scalable and non-invasive tool for **climate-smart agricultural management** across India.

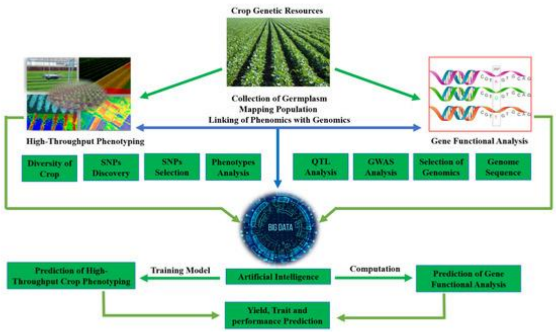

Figure 2: Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Climate-Resilient Smart-Crop [25]

CONCLUSION

This study presented a robust AI-driven spatio-temporal modeling framework designed to enhance climate-resilient crop yield prediction across Indian agro-ecosystems. By combining Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks for temporal sequence learning with Random Forest (RF) algorithms for spatial variability modeling, the proposed hybrid system achieved superior accuracy and stability compared to standalone models. The framework integrated multi-source data, including satellite-based vegetation indices, soil parameters, and meteorological records, to deliver a holistic analysis of yield dynamics under variable climatic conditions. Results revealed that the hybrid model achieved an average R^2 of 0.91 with minimal error margins, demonstrating its reliability across irrigated, semi-arid, and coastal agricultural systems.

Spatial distribution maps identified clear productivity gradients influenced by soil moisture and vegetation health, while temporal trend analysis confirmed that yield fluctuations strongly corresponded to rainfall patterns, temperature anomalies, and soil water retention. The ability of the model to detect high-risk zones and generate early yield forecasts positions it as a valuable decision-support tool for policymakers, agronomists, and local administrations engaged in climate adaptation planning. Furthermore, the model's adaptability and computational efficiency make it scalable for regional and national yield forecasting systems, supporting initiatives like Digital Agriculture Mission and National Adaptation Plan on Climate Change. Overall, this study establishes that the fusion of AI, remote sensing, and geospatial analytics provides a scientifically grounded and technologically advanced approach to sustainable, data-driven agricultural management, paving the way toward climate-smart and resilient farming systems in India.

VI. FUTURE WORK

Future research should focus on extending the proposed framework into a multi-crop, multi-scale predictive ecosystem that incorporates real-time satellite data streams and Internet of Things (IoT)-based soil and weather sensors. The current study, while comprehensive, is limited by its dependence on static soil datasets and satellite-derived proxy indicators; integrating high-resolution UAV imagery and in-situ measurements could significantly enhance accuracy. Incorporating climate projection scenarios (CMIP6) will allow long-term yield forecasting under diverse greenhouse gas pathways, offering policymakers insights into adaptive resource management. Additionally, the integration of explainable AI (XAI) techniques can enhance model transparency, allowing stakeholders to interpret variable importance in yield outcomes. Future models could also adopt transformer architectures and graph neural networks (GNNs) to better capture inter-regional dependencies across complex agro-climatic systems. Finally, embedding the model into a decision intelligence platform with visualization dashboards and predictive alerts could operationalize AI-based forecasting at the farm and policy levels. Such advancements will transform the current framework from a predictive research prototype into a national-scale climate intelligence infrastructure, driving precision, resilience, and sustainability in India's agricultural future.

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