

**Table S1.** Correlation coefficients per land cover class and transition. Correlations for S50E are presented above the diagonal in italics, and correlations for T35B are presented below the diagonal. \* $p < 0.05$ .

	UG				FB				CL				FP				UB			
	T35B: n=1516 S50E: n=1249				T35B: n=45 S50E: n=136				T35B: n=92 S50E: n=323				T35B: n=123 S50E: n=42				T35B: n=3 S50E: n=103			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
1.PSA	-	-0.24	-0.08	0.09	-	-0.10	-0.02	0.14	-	-0.37	-0.30	-0.20	-	-0.18	-0.06	0.03	-	-0.30	-0.52*	-0.35
2.NPP	-0.01	-	0.00	-0.04	0.02	-	-0.33	-0.07	-0.12	-	-0.09	-0.13	0.30	-	0.70*	0.55*	-0.42	-	-0.06	-0.10
3.NDVI	-0.20	0.33	-	0.86*	-0.09	0.41	-	0.90*	-0.58*	0.26	-	0.88*	-0.62*	0.18	-	0.92*	-0.45	0.27	-	0.86*
4.ET	0.11	0.19	0.84*	-	0.13	0.27	0.83*	-	-0.34	0.15	0.87*	-	-0.39	0.13	0.90*	-	-0.17	0.14	0.79*	-
	If				A				De				Re				Dn			
	T35B: n=54 S50E: n=101				T35B: n=28 S50E: n=39				T35B: n=3 S50E: n=3				T35B: n=108 S50E: n=70				T35B: n=60 S50E: n=15			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
1.PSA	-	-0.40	-0.07	0.11	-	-0.23	-0.19	-0.15	-	-0.13	-0.45	-0.35	-	-0.32	-0.17	-0.01	-	-0.01	-0.37	-0.34
2.NPP	0.04	-	0.17	0.10	0.14	-	-0.18	-0.13	-0.28	-	0.14	-0.05	0.14	-	-0.08	-0.07	0.66*	-	-0.07	-0.19
3.NDVI	-0.03	0.41	-	0.88*	-0.37	0.24	-	0.91*	-0.36	0.32	-	0.81*	-0.22	0.34	-	0.90*	-0.38	-0.32	-	0.82*
4.ET	0.29	0.31	0.84*	-	-0.25	0.17	0.88*	-	-0.21	0.13	0.84*	-	-0.05	0.21	0.83*	-	-0.20	-0.19	0.89*	-
	Ia				Iu				R				D							
	T35B: n=41 S50E: n=117				T35B: n=2 S50E: n=120				T35B: n=60 S50E: n=6				T35B: n=23 S50E: n=35							
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
1.PSA	-	-0.32	-0.45	-0.29	-	-0.28	-0.40	-0.22	-	-0.56*	0.11	-0.01	-	-0.75*	-0.81*	-0.67*				
2.NPP	-0.14	-	-0.08	-0.15	-0.38	-	-0.07	-0.11	0.63*	-	-0.20	-0.04	0.70*	-	0.86*	0.75*				
3.NDVI	-0.54*	0.22	-	0.87*	-0.63*	0.19	-	0.87*	-0.61*	-0.38	-	0.90*	-0.63*	-0.55*	-	0.93*				
4.ET	-0.29	0.11	0.87*	-	-0.29	0.05	0.81*	-	-0.29	-0.29	0.86*	-	-0.31	-0.42	0.87*	-				

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 Ia-increased cultivation, Iu-increased urban, R-afforestation, D-deforestation

**Table S2.** Total and significant change in PSA per catchment T35B, reported in percentage and PSA change (highlighted in light grey).

Study area	Total area			Significant change				Negative sig. change				Positive sig. change					
	% <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>			PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		% <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		% <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>			
	LC	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS		
T35B				-0.001	0.003	11.1	11.3	-0.013	0.004	7.9	4.3	-0.026	-0.039	3.2	7.0	0.019	0.031
T35B Persistent	UG	70.4	69.3	0.000	0.005	4.0	5.3	0.000	0.017	2.1	0.7	-0.017	-0.023	1.9	4.6	0.018	0.023
	FB	2.1	1.7	-0.001	0.001		0.1		0.012		0.0		-0.029		0.1		0.030
	CL	4.3	4.5	0.003	0.009	0.5	0.9	-0.001	0.029	0.2	0.2	-0.029	-0.038	0.3	0.7	0.023	0.045
	FP	5.7	5.4	-0.015	-0.012	2.5	2.2	-0.031	-0.038	2.5	2.1	-0.031	-0.039		0.1		0.020
	UB	0.1	0.1	-0.005	0.011	0.0	0.0	-0.024	0.030	0.0	0.0	-0.024	-0.020		0.0		0.039
	P	82.7	81.0	-0.001	0.004	7.4	8.4	-0.011	0.007	5.0	2.8	-0.025	-0.039	2.4	5.6	0.018	0.030
	If	2.5	2.3	-0.002	-0.003	0.2	0.1	-0.006	-0.003	0.1	0.1	-0.022	-0.030	0.1	0.1	0.018	0.029
	A	1.3	1.3	0.002	0.009	0.1	0.2	-0.008	0.022	0.0	0.0	-0.028	-0.033	0.0	0.2	0.012	0.031
	De	0.1	0.1	-0.003	0.005		0.0		0.022		0.0		-0.022		0.0		0.031
	Re	5.0	6.0	0.000	0.004	0.3	0.4	-0.009	0.023	0.2	0.1	-0.022	-0.025	0.1	0.4	0.023	0.031
T35B Transition	Ia	1.9	1.7	0.005	0.012	0.0	0.4	0.023	0.033		0.1		-0.031	0.3	0.3	0.023	0.045
	Iu	0.1	0.1	-0.004	0.012		0.0		0.029		0.0		-0.030		0.0		0.038
	R	2.8	2.8	-0.014	-0.013	1.0	1.0	-0.029	-0.034	1.0	0.9	-0.029	-0.038		0.1		0.020
	D	1.1	0.9	-0.019	-0.008	0.6	0.2	-0.031	-0.021	0.6	0.2	-0.031	-0.032		0.0		0.022
	Dn	2.8	2.4	-0.005	0.003	0.8	0.3	-0.021	0.008	0.7	0.1	-0.027	-0.034	0.1	0.3	0.024	0.025
	T	17.6	17.8	-0.004	0.001	3.4	2.8	-0.017	-0.002	2.7	1.4	-0.027	-0.040	0.7	1.4	0.023	0.036

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	% <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>		PSA change % <span style="background-color: #f2f2f2;">PSA change</span>				
	LC	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS	MOD	LS		
S50E				0.004	0.004	8.5	16.1	0.016	0.017	1.9	4.1	-0.018	-0.026	6.6	12.0	0.026	0.032
S50E Persistent	UG	50.8	50.2	0.004	0.004	3.1	6.3	0.017	0.016	0.6	1.0	-0.012	-0.023	2.5	5.3	0.024	0.023
	FB	6.4	6.6	-0.002	-0.006	0.7	1.5	-0.023	-0.018	0.5	1.3	-0.032	-0.026	0.1	0.2	0.013	0.027
	CL	15.3	15.6	0.005	0.008	1.3	2.4	0.018	0.028	0.2	0.3	-0.012	-0.028	1.1	2.2	0.024	0.034
	FP	2.0	1.8	-0.004	-0.006	0.3	0.6	-0.013	-0.019	0.3	0.5	-0.017	-0.034	0.0	0.1	0.018	0.044
	UB	4.9	4.7	0.007	0.008	0.3	0.7	0.015	0.023	0.0	0.1	-0.016	-0.022	0.2	0.6	0.020	0.027
	P	87.7	85.5	0.004	0.004	5.4	10.9	0.013	0.013	1.3	2.9	-0.023	-0.027	4.1	8.0	0.025	0.027
S50E Transition	If	4.8	5.3	0.005	0.006	0.9	1.3	0.012	0.016	0.4	0.6	-0.023	-0.028	0.5	0.8	0.038	0.050
	A	1.8	1.8	0.005	0.006	0.0	0.3	0.002	0.021		0.1		-0.026	0.0	0.2	0.002	0.031
	De	0.1	0.1	-0.003	0.000		0.0		0.009		0.0		-0.031		0.0		0.037
	Re	3.3	3.5	0.003	0.003	0.2	0.5	0.012	0.008	0.0	0.2	-0.003	-0.024	0.1	0.3	0.017	0.034
	Ia	5.5	4.8	0.005	0.010	0.2	0.9	0.009	0.029	0.1	0.1	-0.017	-0.029	0.1	0.8	0.027	0.033
	Iu	5.7	5.9	0.006	0.005	0.4	0.8	0.021	0.015	0.0	0.2	-0.008	-0.027	0.4	0.7	0.024	0.026
	R	0.3	0.2	0.004	0.001		0.0		0.002		0.0		-0.026		0.0		0.036
	D	1.7	1.5	0.032	0.056	0.8	0.9	0.038	0.068		0.0		-0.026	0.8	0.9	0.038	0.070
	Dn	0.7	0.6	-0.001	-0.001		0.1		0.002		0.0		-0.035	0.0	0.0		0.027
	T	24.0	23.8	0.007	0.009	3.0	5.0	0.023	0.029	0.5	1.1	-0.020	-0.027	2.5	3.9	0.032	0.045

