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The paper uses hydro-social cycle to analyse the links and interlinks between cryosphere, ecosystems and society in the highlands of the Hindu Kush Himalaya. While exploring, we identify the process, changes, associated impacts and response of each of the systems of the highland (cryosphere, biosphere and societies), and map out the cyclic interactions between them. In doing so, we discuss the existing and possible adaptation strategies for enhancing the socio-ecological resilience in the highlands.