

# Capacity Building Towards Space Based Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia Pacific:2006-2016

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# ISRO's contribution to Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

**International Association Disaster Charter**

**UN SPIDER**  
UNOOSA

**Sentinel Asia**  
UNESCAP

Logos of participating agencies: UNOOSA, ESA, DMC, CNES, JAXA, CNSA, CRA ABC, ISRO, and others.

Satellite (INSAT) based Emergency Communication Systems

Communication

**Bhuvan - International Disasters**

- Bhuvan facilitates:
  - Satellite data upload
  - View & Search
  - Download by Authorised
- Satellite data is made available under International Charter, Sentinel Asia frame works.
- UNESCAP and several others are using Bhuvan for this purpose

Map interface showing satellite data for various regions.

Satellite Data

Capacity Building



# Capacity Building by Indian Space Research Organization

## Indian Institute of Remote Sensing

*Transfer of technology through Capacity Building & Research in RS & GIS technology and Application*



*Caters to ISRO's initiatives in*

- *Natural Resource Survey*
- *Earth and Atmospheric Sciences*
- *Disaster Management*

### ***National Needs***

- ❖ Regular PG courses; Certificate courses; Decision makers courses and Tailor made courses
- ❖ International Programme (MEA – ITEC/SCAPP Sponsored Courses)  
*More than 500 participants from 79 countries*

### ***International perspective***

- ❖ Hosting CSSTEAP Headquarters & supporting its activities
- ❖ Conducting RS & GIS Educational Programs (*PGD/M.Tech. & Short Courses*)
- ❖ Interface with other ISRO Centres, UN offices, etc. to conduct its academic programmes.

# CSSTEAP Objectives and Goals

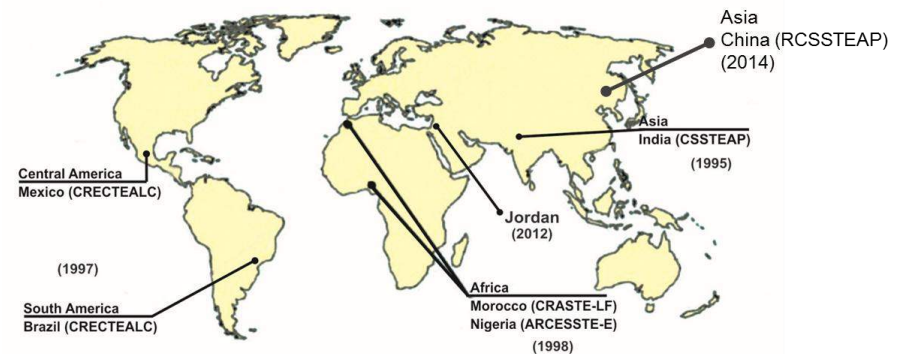
... objective is to strengthen the existing national / regional educational institutions in the developing countries in the field of space science and technology to enhance the societal benefits.

- ☐ Increasing knowledge and understanding in Space Science & Technology

*... developing skills and knowledge of university educators and research and application scientists through rigorous theory, applications, field exercises and pilot projects in those aspects of space science and technology...*

- ☐ Building/Enhancing national and regional capacity
- ☐ Socio-economic development, regional cooperation, support to international programmes

Regional Centres for Space Science and Technology Education  
(Affiliated to the United Nations)



- At the behest of UN General Assembly, UNOOSA and Government of India signed an agreement in 1995 to establish Regional Centre for Asia Pacific Region
- CSSTEAP became the First Regional Centre for Space Science and Technology Education in the World established in 1995 by UN-OOSA



# CSSTEAP Headquarters and Host Institutes



CSSTEAP GB-2014  
Meets once every Year



CSSTEAP  
Hqrs., Dehradun



CSSTEAP AG-2015  
Meets once in three years

## Centre Campuses, Host Institutes and Courses



**Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, Dehradun**

**RS & GIS  
Disaster Risk Reduction  
Small Satellite Missions**



**Space Applications Centre, Ahmedabad**

**SATCOM, SATMET, GNSS  
& NAVSAT**



**Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad**

**Space & Atmospheric Sciences**



**ISRO Satellite Centre, Bengaluru**

**Small Satellite Missions**

# Training Programmes

- Post Graduate Courses ( 9 months) – announced 4-5 months
- Short Courses ( 4 days to 1 month) – announced 2-3 months
- Masters Degree (9 month Post Graduate Course + One year research in home country)
- Ph. D. - facilitates advance research and analysis

## *Funding: Government of India support*

- International and domestic to & fro travel for all courses.
- Fellowships to all the participants (long and short courses)
- Book and Project allowance to all the participants
- Health care, insurance, etc.

*UNOOSA - international travel for RS&GIS Courses  
UNESCAP, UNDP, ICIMOD, IWMI, SAARC, ITC, etc.*

# Training Programmes – Short Courses

<p><b>RS&amp;GIS</b> Theme specific 4 weeks every year <b>(IIRS, Dehradun)</b> UNOOSA, UNSPIDER, UNDP &amp; UNESCAP, IWMI, SAARC DMC</p>	<p><b>Satellite Navigation &amp; Positioning Systems</b> 4 weeks every year from 2012 and now every even year <b>(Space Application Center, Ahmedabad)</b></p>	<p><b>Small Satellite Missions</b> 15 days every year from 2012 <b>(ISRO Satellite Center, Bengaluru/ IIRS, Dehradun)</b></p>	<p><b>Open Source Geospatial Tools</b> 4 days occasional <b>(IIRS, Dehradun)</b></p>
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4 days to 4 weeks duration

For middle level managers & professionals having 5-10 years experience in relevant field

**Fully funded either by DOS/GoI, UN Agencies or SAARC**

Core Faculty from ISRO/DOS from IIRS, SAC, PRL, ISAC and National and International subject experts



# Research Facilities

## Satellite Data Archives & Instrumentation Facility

- Map & Image Library (archives of Satellite Data, Topographical Maps, Aerial Photographs, Thematic maps, etc.)
- Ground-truth equipments (Spectroradiometer, Geodetic & hand-held GPS, Total Station, Photogrammetric Cameras, GPR, Soil, water & vegetation parameters measurement instruments)

## In-house Labs

- DIP, Photogrammetry & GIS Labs
- Soil & Water Analysis Laboratory

## Field facilities

Flux towers, AWS, Sensors for geophysical monitoring





# Achievements (last 10 years)

**Total: 992 (49 AP countries\*)**

▪ **427 from PG courses**

▪ **565 from short courses**

**No. of PG Courses conducted:**

RS & GIS – 10

SATCOM- 05 (OY)\*

GNSS – 01 (OY)\*

SATMET – 05 (EY)\*

SAS- 05 (EY)\*

**No. of Short Courses conducted:**

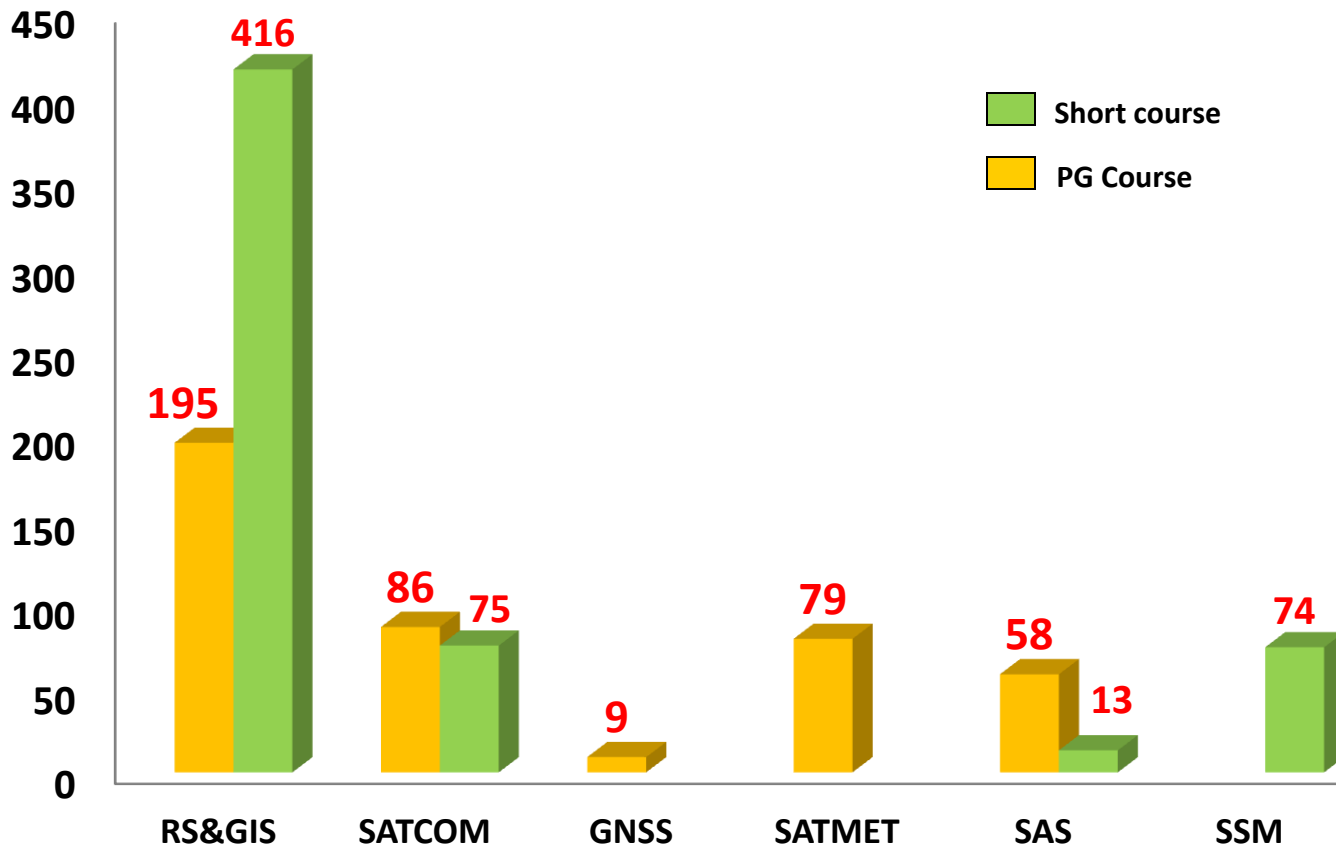
RS & GIS – 21

SATCOM- 01

NAVSAT- 03

SAS– 01

SSM- 04



# Special Short Courses on DRR

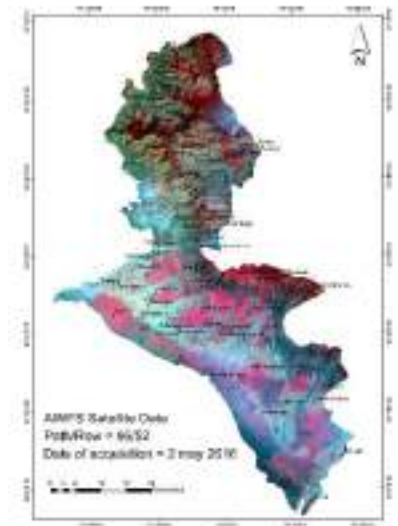
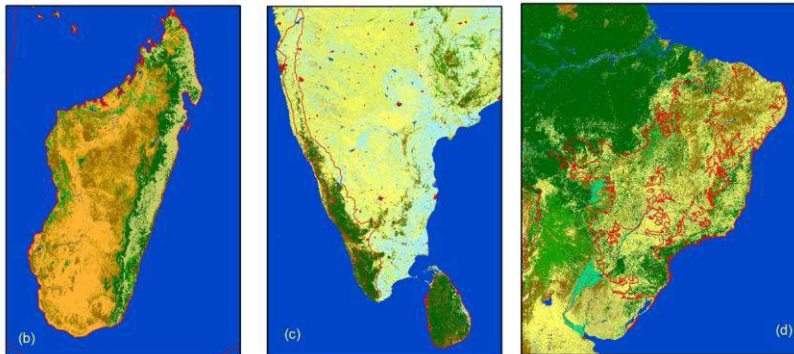
## Special Programmes with UN Agencies

On Going.....

- **Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment in Natural Heritage and Cultural Sites using Geospatial Techniques: Sep 11 to Oct 02, 2016 jointly with UNESCO, C2C**  
*24 participants from 11 countries*

Highlights:

- ❖ First of its kind course incorporating 2 different aspects.
- ❖ For the first time impact of disaster on natural and cultural heritage
- ❖ 5 internationally renowned guest faculty
- ❖ Educational visit as well as lectures in various natural and cultural heritage sites



# Special Short Courses on DRR



## Special Programmes with UN Agencies

**Application of Space Technology for Disaster Risk Reduction April 9 – May 4, 2012**

- 27 participants from 17 countries
- Funded by **UNOOSA/UNSIPIER, UNESCAP**

**Flood Risk Mapping & Modeling and Assessment using Space Technology: July 22-26, 2013**

- 19 participants from 11 countries
- Funded by **UNOOSA/UNSIPIER, UNESCAP and IWMI**

**Sub-regional training on development of Geo-referenced Information Systems for Disaster Risk Management: 26-29, August 2013**

- 16 participants from 9 countries
- Funded by **UNESCAP**

**Short course on 'Earth Observation for Disaster Response, Recovery and Preparedness' for Bhutanese Officials: April 13-17, 2015**

- 19 Participants from Bhutan
- Organized by **CSSTEAP, UNDP and UNSPIDER** at IIRS, ISRO, Dehradun
- Funded by **UNDP Bhutan**

**Geospatial Technologies for Coastal & Marine Disaster Management & Climate Change: May 4-31, 2015**

- Conducted jointly with **UNESCAP**
- 19 participants from 10 countries

# Short Courses on Disaster Management / Risk Reduction

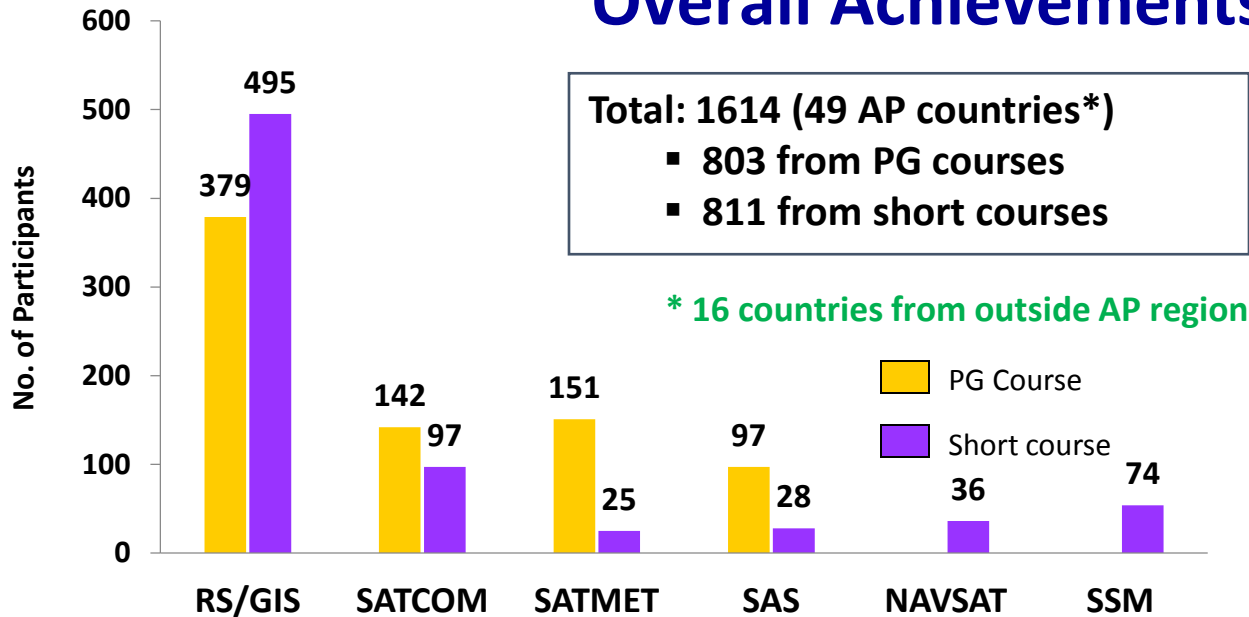


Conducted by CSSTEAP/IIRS for Asia Pacific region

- Application of Space Technology for Disaster Management Support with Emphasis on Flood Risk Management: 2007  
*18 participants from 12 countries*
- Application of Space Technology for Disaster Management Support with Emphasis on Drought Monitoring, Desertification and Crop Yield Prediction: July 14– Aug 08, 2008  
*16 participants from 09 countries*
- High Resolution Aerospace Image Analysis for Geo-hazard Assessment: 2010  
*18 participants from 6 countries*
- Application of Space Technology for Disaster Management: 2010  
*14 participants from 10 countries*
- RS&GIS Applications for Coastal Hazards Mitigation & Sustainable Development for Pacific countries: 2011  
*11 participants from 5 countries*



# Overall Achievements



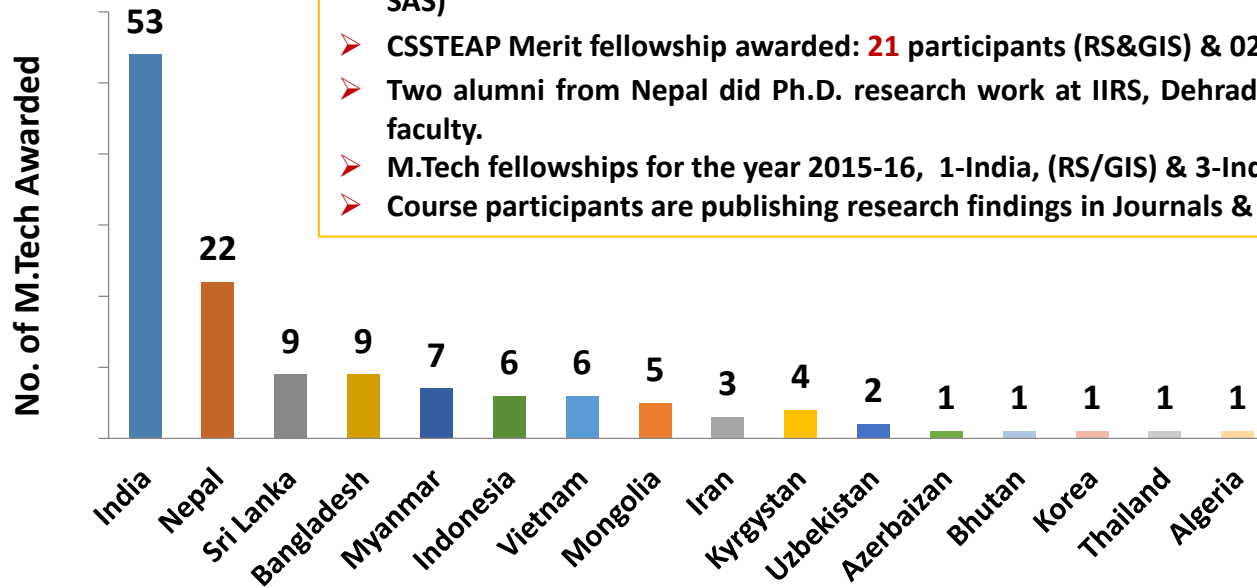
## PG Courses conducted:

RS & GIS – 19 (Every year)  
 SATCOM – 09 (OY)  
 SATMET – 09 (EY)  
 SAS – 09 (EY)

## Short Courses conducted:

RS & GIS – 26  
 SATCOM – 05  
 SATMET – 02  
 SAS – 01  
 NAVSAT – 03  
 SSM – 04

- M.Tech. degree Awarded – 131 from 16 countries
- During the year 2014-15: 07 participants were awarded M.Tech degree f(3-RS&GIS, 2-SATCOM, 1-SATMET, 1-SAS)
- CSSTEAP Merit fellowship awarded: 21 participants (RS&GIS) & 02 Participants (SAS) since 2004.
- Two alumni from Nepal did Ph.D. research work at IIRS, Dehradun under guidance and supervision of IIRS faculty.
- M.Tech fellowships for the year 2015-16, 1-India, (RS/GIS) & 3-India (SAS) have been awarded.
- Course participants are publishing research findings in Journals & National/Intl. symposia.



Course	M.Tech. Awarded
RS & GIS	64
SATCOM	34
SATMET	17
SAS	16

# Student Projects in Disaster Detection and Risk Mitigation

**2014 & 2015**

Close range Photogrammetry for urban Disaster Application

*Marzhan Shaimerdenova, Kazakhstan*

Agriculture drought risk assessment using Remote sensing and GIS

*Altannavch Magsarjav Mongolia*

Integration of Satellite Remote Sensing and Geophysical Methods for Landslide Characterization at Kalimath, Garhwal Himalaya, India

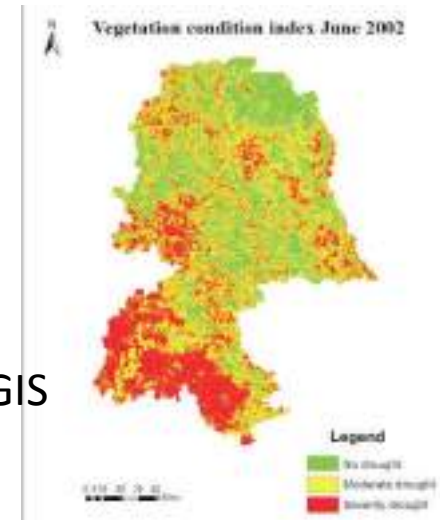
*Dilhani Jayalath, Sri Lanka*

Landslide Susceptibility Mapping and Debris Flow Modelling in a part of Tons Valley, Uttarakhand, India

*Chathuri Nadeesha Subasinghe, Sri Lanka*

Structural and tectonic analysis for slope stability and landslide studies in Yamunotri region, India

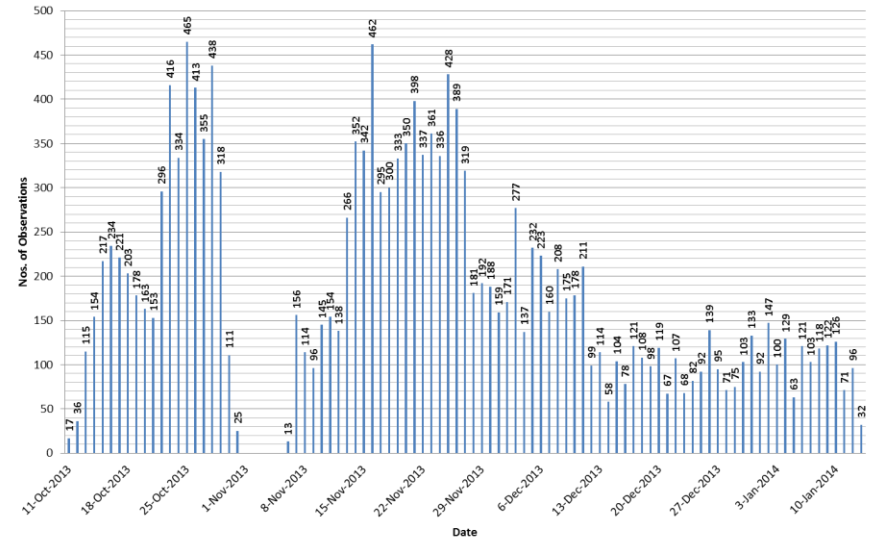
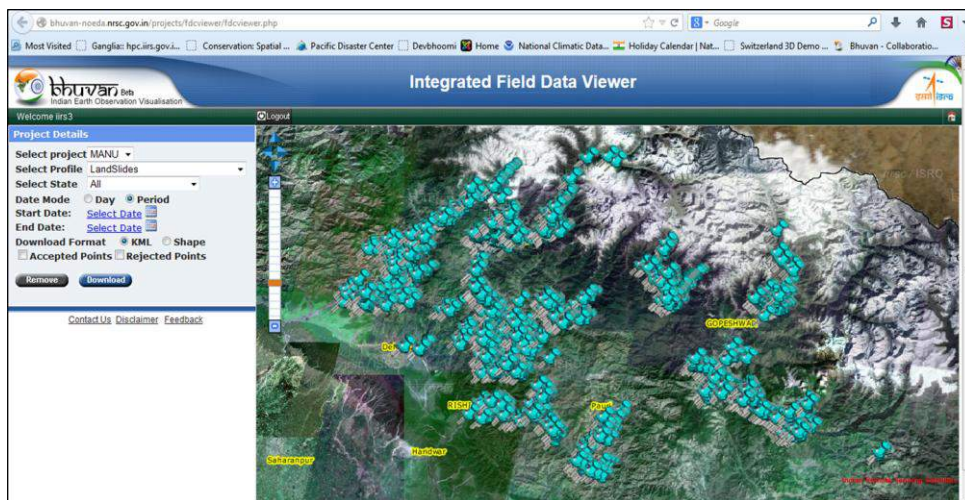
*Manuchehr Baydullov Otambekovich, Tazikistan*



# Future Directions

# Crowd Sourcing

## Damage Assessment During Kedarnath, Disaster, Uttarakhand, India - 2013



## Damage Assessment During Nepal Earthquake - 2015

### Requirements

- Need for rapid and large volume of data collection
- Geospatial platform for data repository and analysis (including QC)
- AI based algorithms for tagging disaster risk from random crowd sourced data



# EDUSAT Based Outreach Programs



- IIRS has initiated its interactive distance education based capacity building under IIRS outreach programme in the year 2007, wherein over 35,000+ students and researchers from 470+ universities/institutes across the country have been trained in the field of geospatial technology.
- This was accomplished through ISRO's communication satellites, satellite interactive terminals and A-View software.

## Courses Completed

### Basic Course on RS, GIS & GNSS (12 weeks)

- Module 1: Remote Sensing and Digital Image Processing
- Module 2: Geographical Information System
- Module 3: Global Navigation Satellite System
- Module 4: Remote Sensing & Geographical Information System Applications

### Advance Courses (4 Weeks)

- Applications of RS&GIS for NRM
- Microwave (SAR) Remote Sensing for Natural Resources
- Geo-web Services – Technology & Applications (February-March, 2013)
- Hyper-spectral Remote Sensing (February-March, 2012)
- Open Source GIS (February-March, 2011)

# IIRS launched e-learning based certificate courses Under Distance Learning Programme

Registrations are open from 15<sup>th</sup> August 2014 onward

<http://elearning.iirs.gov.in>

Following courses are available under IIRS e-learning programme through Internet using NKN connectivity.

## Four (04) months duration:

- Comprehensive certificate course on Remote Sensing and Geo-information Science.

## One (01) Month Duration certificate courses on :

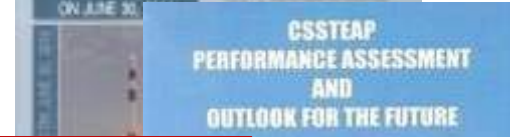
- Fundamentals of Remote Sensing.
- Fundamentals of Photogrammetry and Cartography.
- Fundamentals of Geographical Information System and Global Navigation System.
- Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing.



## Target Groups:

- State and Central Government Ministries and Departments.
- Geospatial Industries.
- PSU/entrepreneurs / NGO.
- Students and Researchers.





**Passing Out**



**Alumini Meets**



**Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar  
March 22, 2012**



**Field Work  
and Facility  
visits**



**Thimpu, Bhutan  
November 15, 2011**

**Cultural Exchange**



Questions?



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