Pakistan's Space Activities for Socio Economic Uplift

AGENDA 6: SPACE TECHNOLOGY FOR SUSTAINABLE SOCIO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRESENTED AT 57TH SESSION OF STSC;

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Pakistan's Space Program

- Pakistan attaches great importance in utilization of space based assets and their application for achieving objectives of sustainable development goals
- SUPARCO, being the National Space Agency of Pakistan is determined to utilize and promote the use of space technology and its applications for achieving sustainable development targets

Contribution of Space Technology in Socio Economic Development of Pakistan















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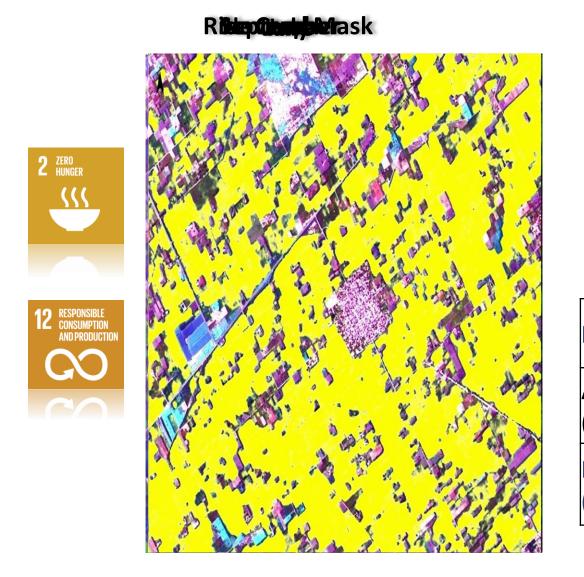


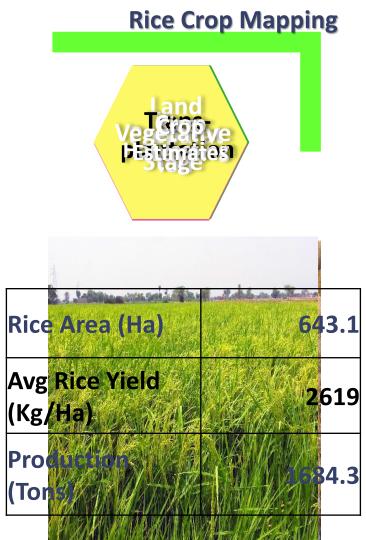
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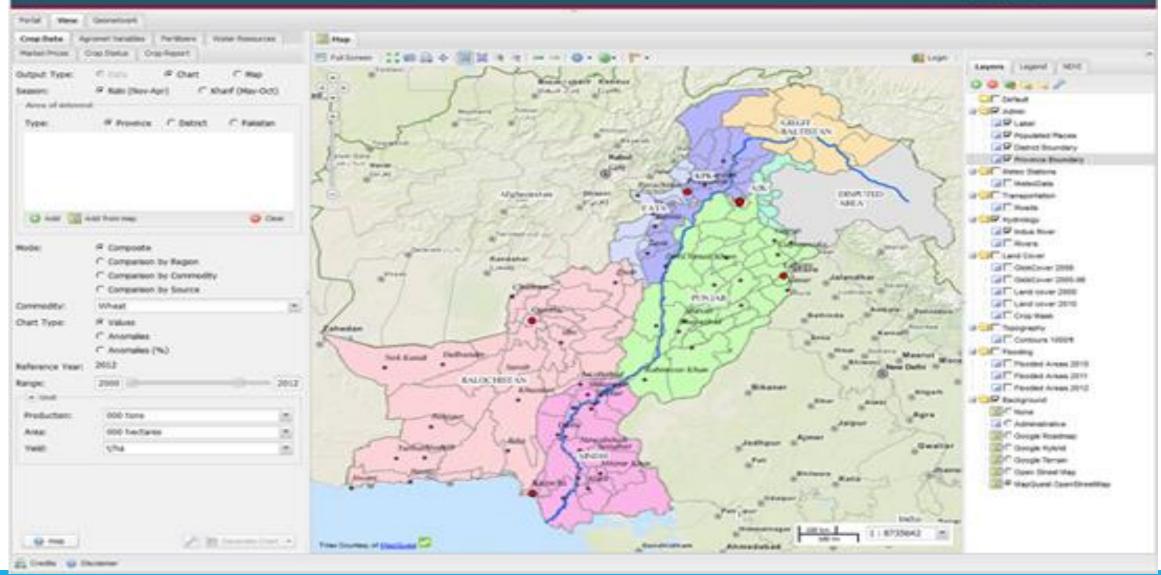
Crops Monitoring





CROP Information Portal





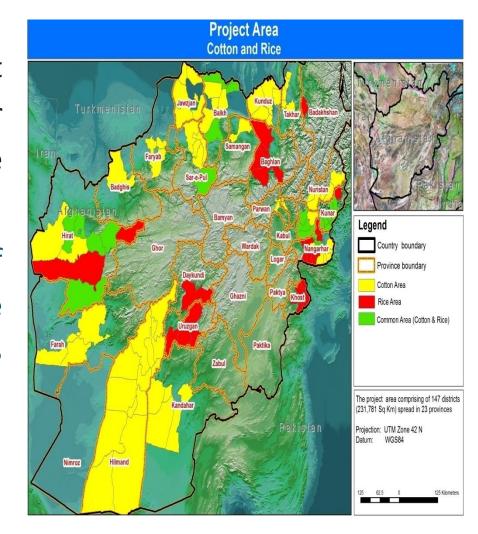
Case Study Afghanistan: Monitoring of Rice & Cotton Crops







- The FAO-UN asked SUPARCO to carry out a pilot project (3 provinces & 5 districts) for monitoring of rice crop using satellite remote sensing and GIS technologies
- Later, the FAO-UN asked for monitoring of rice & cotton crops using satellite remote sensing and GIS technologies in 23 provinces



Land Cover Mapping

Accurate land cover information of the Balochistan, Punjab, Sindh & KP has been

developed for:

- Planning & development
- Agriculture

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- Disasters & hazards monitoring
- Forest management
- Water resources
- Irrigation
- Geological surveys

















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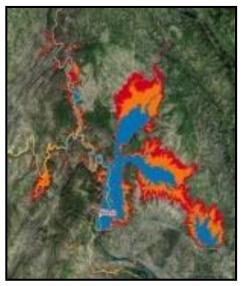


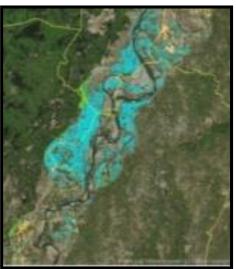
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Disaster Management





SUPARCO has been providing assistance for,

- Disaster Damage Assessment
- Flood Modeling and Monitoring
- Drought Mapping
- Multi-Vulnerability Hazard Risk Assessment
- Reconstruction / Rehabilitation

Space Applications Center for Response in Emergency and Disasters



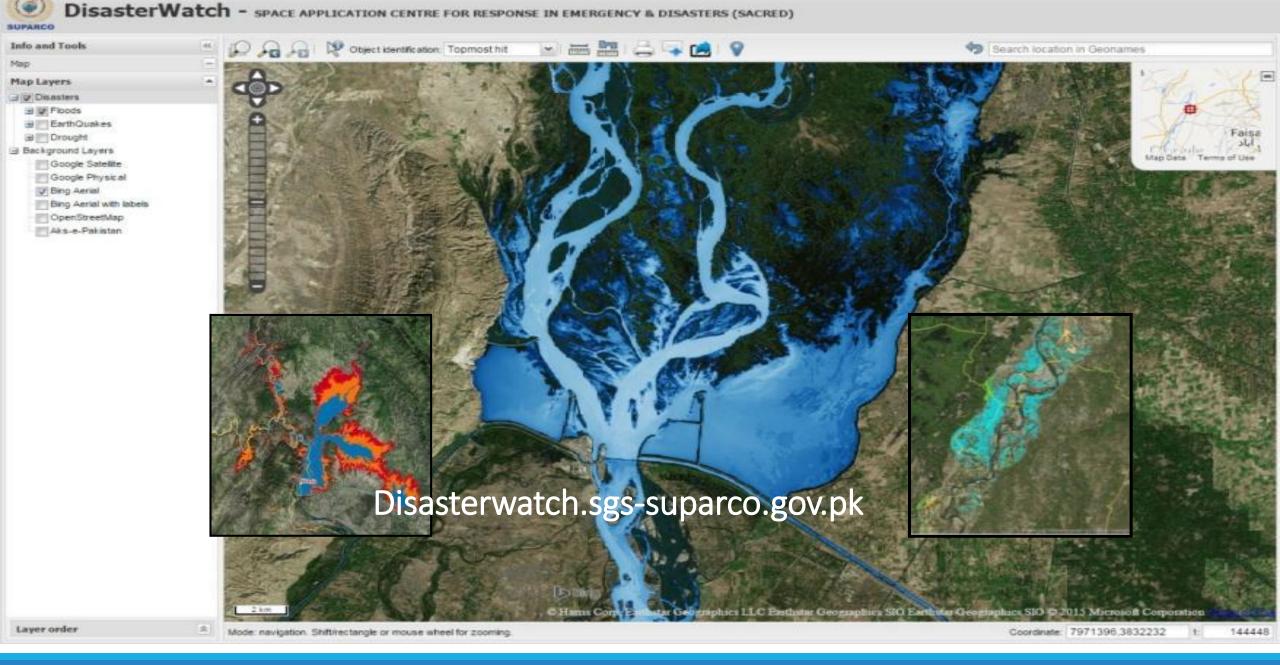








- The centre provides space based information to Federal & Provincial disaster management agencies to rapidly assess the extent of natural disasters and damages
- Center is also host to **UN-SPIDER** Regional Support office in Pakistan and provides assistance to regional countries in case of natural disasters



Recommended Practices for UN-SPIDER Knowledge Portal













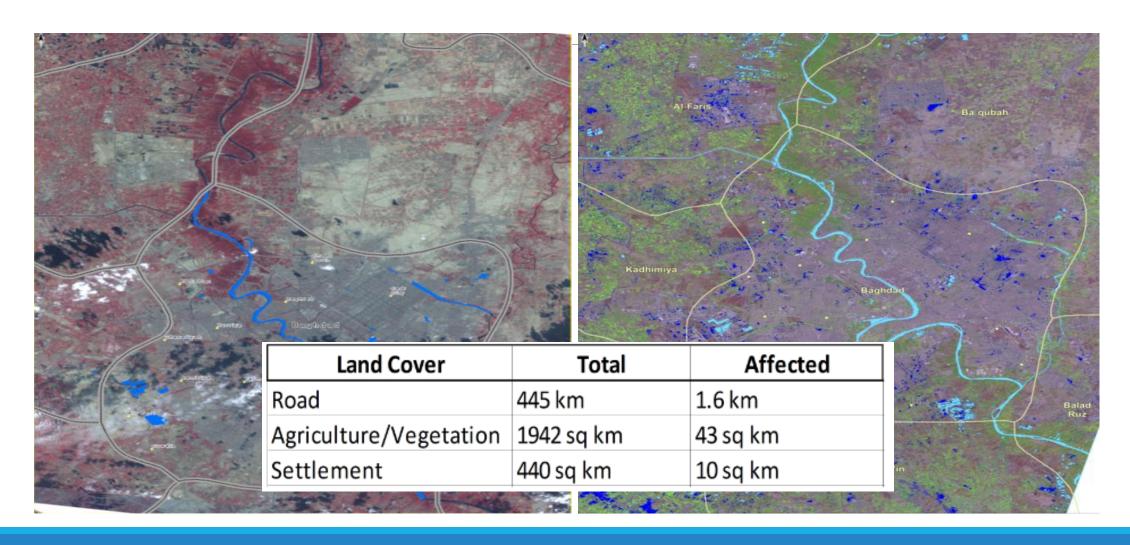
FLOOD HAZARD ASSESSMENT

FLOOD MAPPING AND DAMAGE
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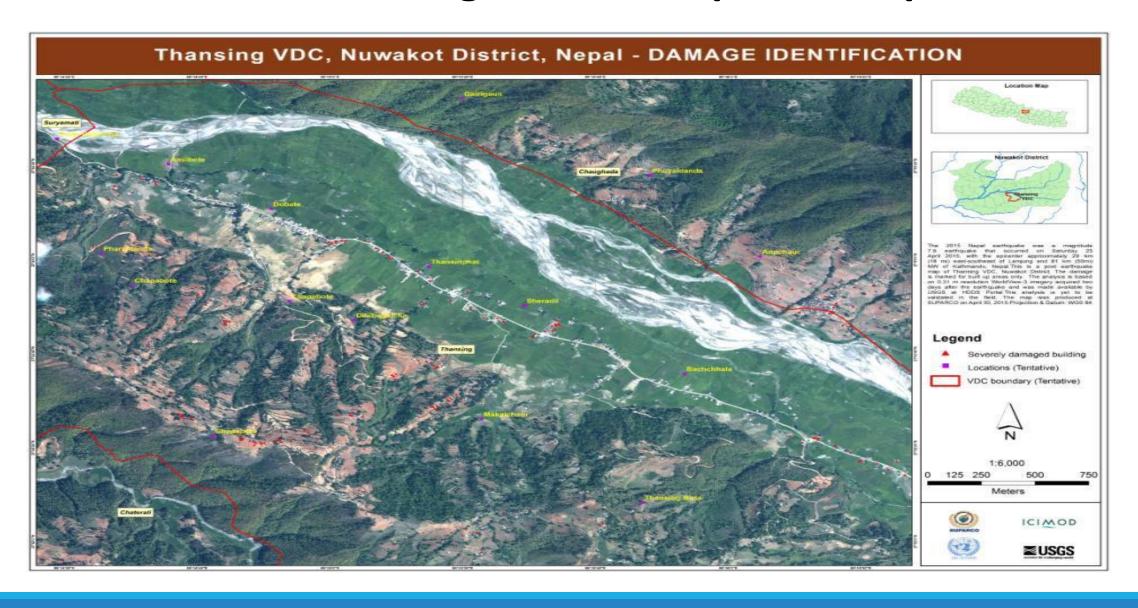
DROUGHT HAZARD ASSESSMENT

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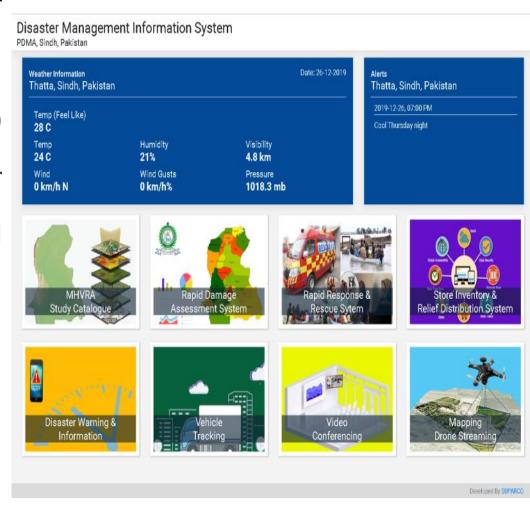


Disaster Management – Nepal Earthquake



National Catastrophic Model

- National Catastrophic model of Pakistan is under development using Satellite Technology
- Multi Hazard Vulnerability Risk Assessment (MHVRA)
 Informed Disaster Management Plans and Disaster
 Management Information System is being prepared
 for following natural disasters in first phase:-
 - Floods, Droughts, Tsunami
 - Cyclone and Storms
 - Heat Waves
 - Earthquakes



Intl Collaborations in Disaster Management



- SUPARCO is host to UN-SPIDER Regional Support office in Pakistan
- SUPARCO is the Authorized User (AU) of the International Charter Space and Major Disasters on behalf of NDMA
- SUPARCO is a member of JPTM-3 project of Sentinel Asia and is registered as Data Analysis Node (DAN)
- SUPARCO is also Member of APSCO Disaster Management Framework





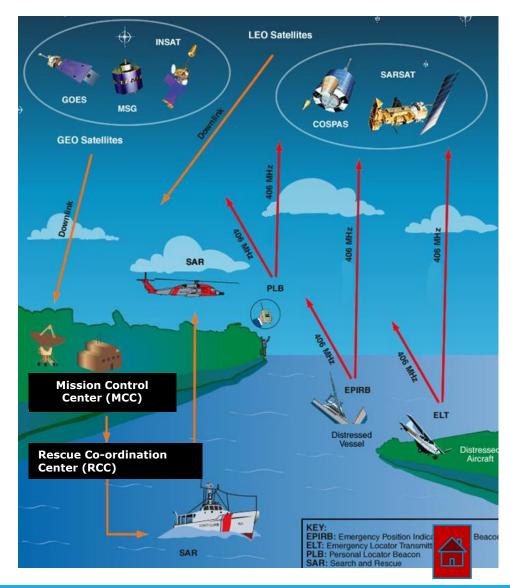
Search and Rescue Program – COSPAS SARSAT





Satellite based system to receive data from Medium Earth Orbit Search and Rescue (MEOSAR) satellites. The benefits are:

- Improved location accuracy, speed and reliability of detection and location 406 MHz
- First Burst Detection followed by Continuous Detection of Location
- Return Link Service
- Presently 6 LEO satellites to be augmented by 70 MEO satellites















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Agriculture and Landcover



Environmental Monitoring

 Monitoring of glaciers and conducting research studies / expeditions



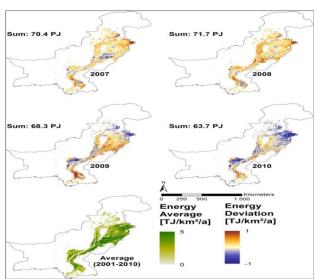
- Development of baseline environmental profile and compilation of emission Inventory
- Environmental Impact Assessment for industries and power plants
- Support in policy formulation













Important Facilities / Labs





Atmospheric Chemistry Lab



Smart Air Quality Mobile Lab

Satellite Based Glacier Research Studies



SUPARCO has been monitoring Glaciers of Pakistan using Satellite Technology



Carried out multiple expeditions with ITP-CAS







Aerosols and Gaseous Pollutants Data Collection

Water Quality and Hydrology Studies









Forest Monitoring







Monitor survivability and provide timely input to improve afforestation



Assess the spread and impact of any disease



Forest Carbon Stock Assessment Using Geospatial Technologies





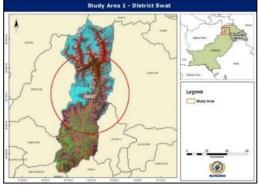






- This is a collaborative project with APSCO (Pakistan as a lead country) having intangible benefits in the form of capacity building of SUPARCO officials on advance satellite datasets and technology
- The project will help to strengthen SUPARCO capacity in qualitative as well as quantitative assessments of forest carbon stocks





















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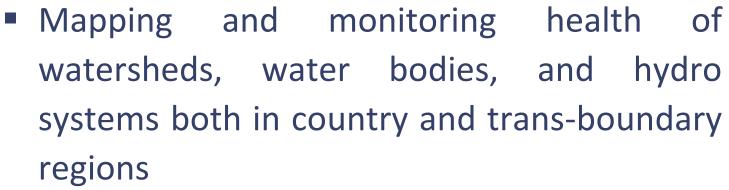


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Satellite data is being used for:-





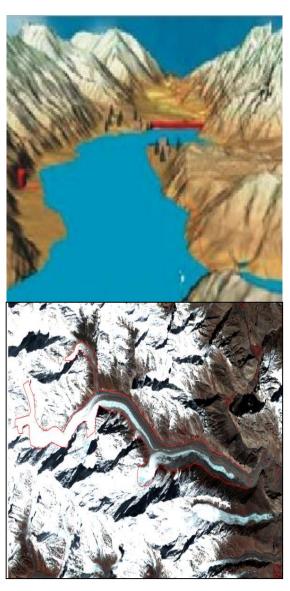
- Water harvesting identification
- Surface water resources estimation
- Snowmelt, rainfall and river runoff modeling







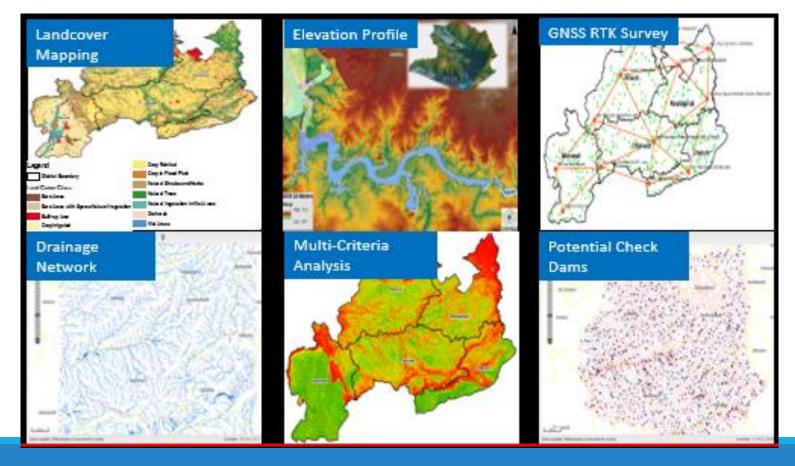




Identification of Potential Check Dam Sites in Potohar Region A Project of Agency for Barani Area Development (ABAD)

Satellite imagery and geospatial datasets & tools were used for the identification of potential sites in 5 districts of Potohar region























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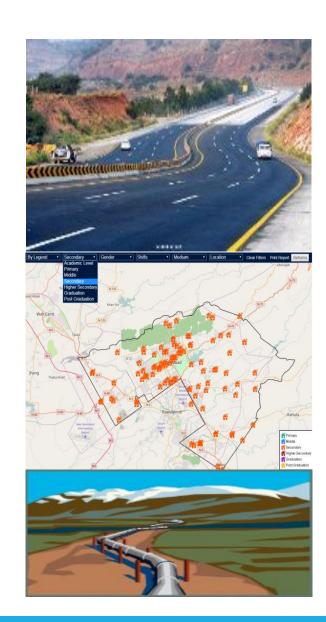
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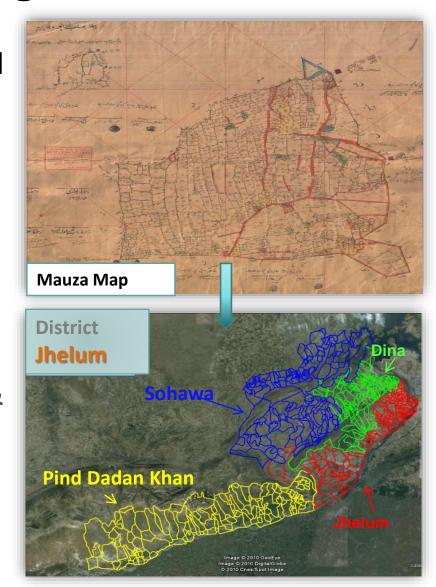


- Provision of accurate location information
- Mapping and analysis of ground data against recent and historical topographic information for future planning and development
- Demographic mapping based on socioeconomic indicators for planning and decision making
- Encroachment monitoring for better urban planning

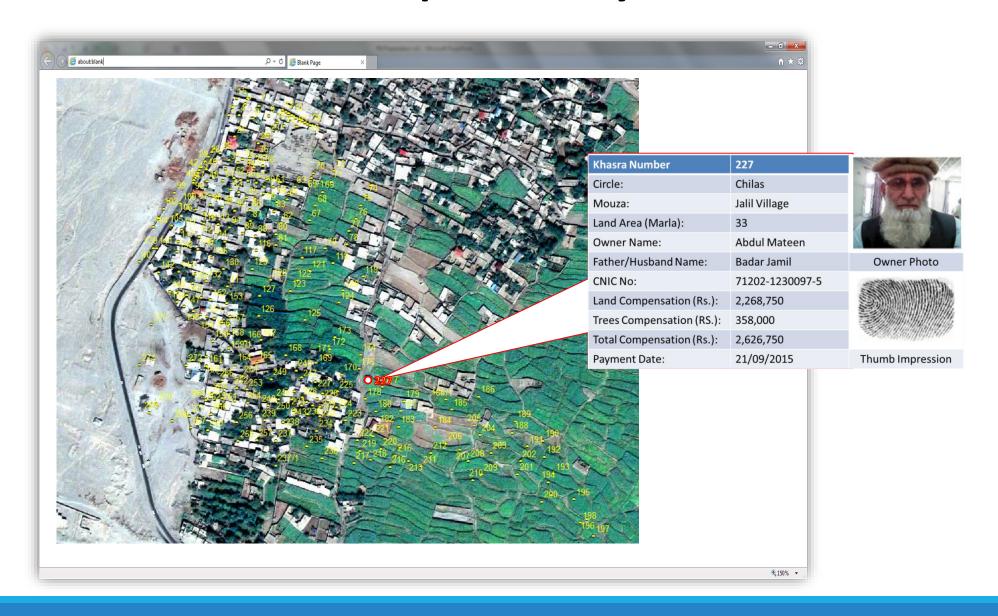


Revenue Estate Mapping

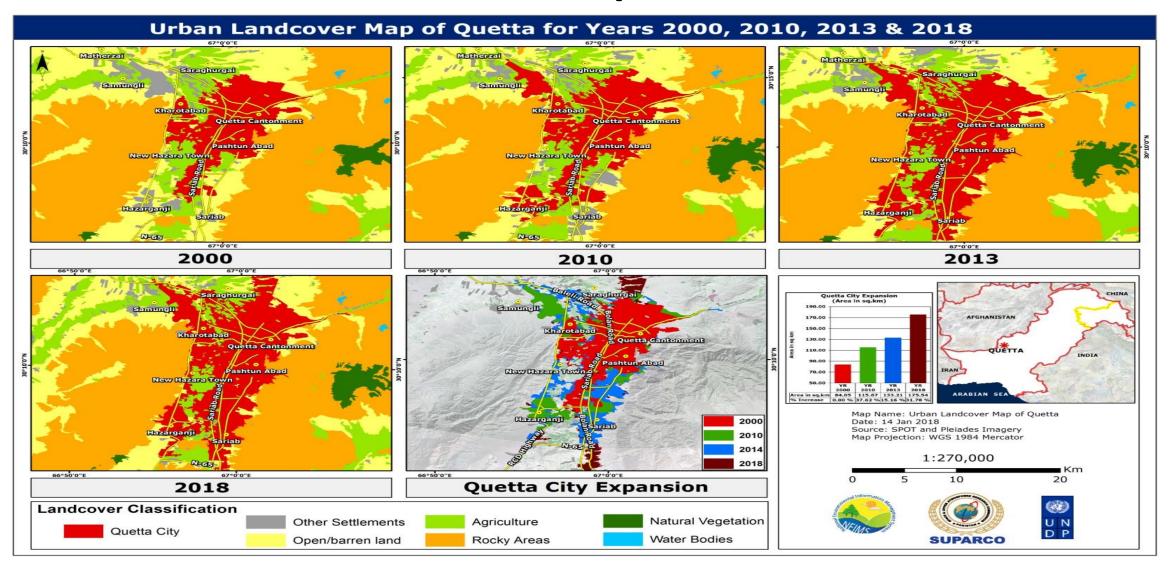
- SUPARCO assisted the GoP in development of mauza level digital maps and a web portal
 - Masavi scanning & mauza level mosaics
 - Georeferencing with Satellite Imagery
 - Mauza level digital maps of all districts
 - Database connectivity with Population Census & Agriculture Census info
 - Web portal development



Land Acquisition Systems



Urban Sprawl











Support in Planning & Monitoring of National Projects

Space based support is being provided to Govt of Pakistan in major areas:-

- Production of Base Maps using satellite imagery
- Landcover/ Landuse analysis of various infrastructure projects of:-
 - Highway Construction program
 - Railway Construction program
- Spatial spread of projects in correlation with human settlements
- Integrated coastal and maritime spatial planning and management

















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Space Education & Awareness Program

- Pakistan Space & Upper Atmosphere Research Commission (SUPARCO) is the key coordinator for space related activities in the country
- SUPARCO is committed to promote education and awareness in space science and technology
- Various activities are carried out throughout the year under the Space Education & Awareness Directorate (SEAD) by SUPARCO
- SEAD regularly takes initiatives to enhance the outreach and awareness on space science & technology throughout the country







SEAD Present Activities



SEAD International Activities



















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Tele Medicine Product



SUPARCO, being a national space agency, initiated a Satellite Communication based Telemedicine network as a pilot project for the duration of two years which was established and utilized effectively



Technology

VSAT state of art technology was selected to provide broad band (satellite) connectivity, for live video conferencing, transfer of high quality biomedical images

Sites Connectivity

Two sites were linked up through Paksat-1 satellite transponder., one at Jinnah Post Graduate Medical Center (JPMC) at Karachi, as hub hospital and other at Shikarpur civil hospital (interior Sindh) as remote site with the quality of video conferencing and data transfer services

Tele Medicine Product

Features

Tele-medical consultation between doctor at hub site and patient at remote

Tele-medical education/training of Doctors/staff at remote site

Benefits

Specialty healthcare easily accessible to underserved rural population

Easy and quick access to medical specialists

Better organized healthcare unit

Cut down cost of travelling and associated costs for patients

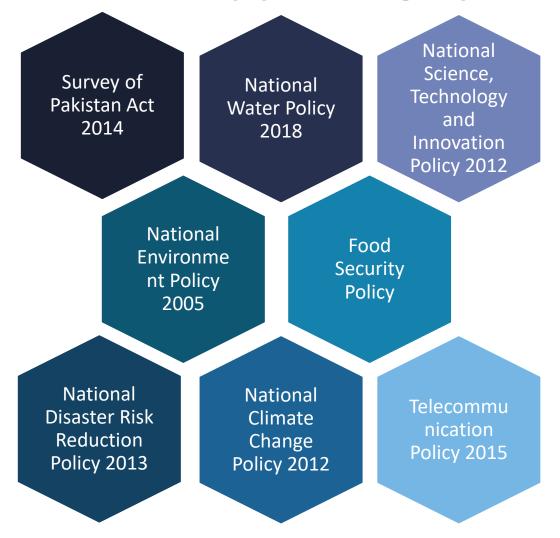
Continuous education and training for rural healthcare professionals

Results

Approximately 3143 patients were benefitted



National Polices Supporting Space Activities



Conclusion

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- Pakistan is committed to deliver space technology application solutions for socio-economic development both at national and regional levels
- Partnerships and innovative approaches are key to achieving the SDGs
- Pakistan will continue to play its role in facilitating the implementation of the global sustainable development agenda under any programme of regional and international cooperation for socio-economic uplift

Thank you