Satellite Application in Agriculture in Bhutan

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Outline

- Agriculture in Bhutan
- Use of Satellite technology in Agriculture
- Use of Satellite technology in Agriculture Future Plans
- Existing Satellite Services in Bhutan

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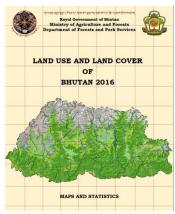


Agriculture in Bhutan

- Around 8% of total land area is arable
- Only about 2.89% of total land area is under cultivation
- Agriculture engages about 59% of the total population mostly subsistence farming

Use of Satellite technology in Agriculture

- LandSAT imagery and data used to study change in land use and land cover mapping and monitoring in Agriculture and Forestry sector - Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) publications
- Weather forecast data used to provide Agriculture advisory to Farmers Pilot phase



Future Plans

- Yield Analysis and Forecasting for various agriculture commodities
- Water Resources Monitoring (Irrigation)
- Land degradation and Management
- Road Networks (Rural Access)
- Human and Animal Settlement & Migration trends (Rural-Urban Migration)

Existing Satellite Services in other sectors

- 1. TV and Radio broadcasting
- 2. Radio broadcasting
- 3. Emergency communications
- 4. Weather forecasting
- 5. GLOF monitoring
- 6. Internet services
- 7. Telecommunication backhauling

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