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GIS Development felicitates Ordnance Survey

3 May 2007, NOIDA, India: GIS Development, a leading communication network organisation working towards promotion and propagation of geographic information science, technology and its applications, presented a *GIS Development Award* to Ordnance Survey, United Kingdom's national mapping agency for being a **Role Model for National Mapping Organisations Worldwide**. The award was presented during the opening day of Map Middle East 2007 at Dubai, UAE by Eng. Hussain Lootha, Director General of Dubai Municipality. Dr. Vanessa Lawrence, Director General and Chief Executive Officer of Ordnance Survey accepted the award on its behalf.

As a recognised leading National Mapping Agency, Ordnance Survey has been providing accurate, reliable and detailed geographic data for more than 200 years. Today it is a dynamic, modern organisation, employing 1,490 people. It has invested in the latest technologies which enables them to update their maps on a continuous basis and provide the most accurate and up to date maps to their clients. They have a vast range of private and public-sector services, including central and local government, insurance, mobile location services, land and property, retail, housing, transport, utilities and the emergency services.

Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Chief Executive Officer of GIS Development expressed his compliments to Ordnance Survey saying, "Ordnance Survey has set an example for National Mapping Agencies worldwide to create and develop a working model in partnership with private sector to generate and disseminate geospatial data for a variety of uses. We, at GIS Development are very pleased to felicitate Ordnance Survey on its contribution for making geospatial data a public commodity for the benefit of society at large."

Earlier this year GIS Development had also felicitated few other eminent names and organisations from the geospatial domain for their outstanding achievements and work in the field. The awards which were distributed during Map World Forum in January in Hyderabad, India were given to

- Mr. Jack Dangermond for Lifetime Achievement
- SiRF Technologies for Empowering Location based Services

- Google Earth for Making Geospatial Information a Public Commodity
- Rolta India for Geospatial Leadership in India
- ISPRS for Building Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Professionals Network
- ITC-The Netherlands for Capacity Building in Geospatial Technology
- Dr. K. Kasturirangan for Leadership in Space Technologies

About Ordnance Survey

Ordnance Survey is Great Britain's national mapping agency, providing the most accurate and up-to-date geographic data, relied on by government, business and the public. For more information please visit: www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk

About GIS Development

GIS Development promotes and propagates the usage of Geographic Information Science, Technology and Applications in various areas of development, worldwide and Asia in particular. It assists community and government in developing their productivity, policies and management capabilities by facilitating knowledge transfer in the domain of geographic information. It fosters the growing network of those interested in geoinformatics and encourages the exchange of scientific know-how through its key platforms: Magazines, Portal, Conferences and Training.

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