

GIS Development felicitates applications of Geospatial Technology

GIS Development presented Geospatial Excellence Awards to twenty-eight organisations from different parts of the world for innovative and effective applications of geospatial technologies.

New Delhi, India March 6, 2009 – GIS Development, the Geospatial media company felicitated twenty eight organisations from across the globe with the GIS Development Geospatial Excellence Awards at the Gala Dinner function of Map World Forum held on February 12, 2009 at Hyderabad, India. The ceremony was attended by more than 800 delegates.

The GIS Development Geospatial Excellence Awards are India's premier private awards that commemorate excellence in the field of geospatial technology applications. The objective of giving awards was to recognize, honour and spotlight the best applications or uses of geospatial technologies whose performance is worthy of emulation. The nominations for the awards were sought from all government, industry and partner organisations of Map World Forum. The winners were selected through an elaborate multilevel assessment process.

Professor V S Ramamurthy, Chairman and Board of Directors, IIT Delhi and DAE Homi Bhabha Chair Professor at Inter-University Accelerator Centre presented the awards to all the awardees. On the occasion, Prof. Ramamurthy said, "Geospatial Excellence Awards is a good initiative to encourage usage of geospatial technologies across various verticals. I do hope that with such encouragement more private and public sector companies begin to apply geospatial technologies to their work in future."

The categories of awards and their respective recipients were:

- Geospatial Application for Spatially Enabled Government JUPEM, the Department of Survey and Mapping Malaysia
- Geospatial Application for Disaster Management
 State Bureau of Surveying and Mapping, People's Republic of China
- Geospatial Application for Forest Management Forest Survey of India, India
- Geospatial Application for Operations and Business Support System in Telecom Sector Reliance Communications, India
- Geospatial Application for Urban Planning
 Department of Information Technology & Communication, Government of Rajasthan, India
- Geospatial Application for Planning and Management of Operations in Oil and Gas Sector Petroleos Mexicanos, Mexico
- Spatial Data Infrastructure
 Central Informatics Organisation, Kingdom of Bahrain
- Geospatial Application to Safeguard Public Interest Trakhees CED Services, UAE

Geospatial Application for Water and Waste Water Utilities

Thames Water, United Kingdom

Geospatial Application for Integrated Government

Singapore Land Authority, Singapore

• Geospatial Application for Improving Incident Management and Health Planning

National Institute of Malaria Research, India

Geospatial Application for Operations Resource Management in Power Sector

North Delhi Power Limited, India

National GIS Portal

National Informatics Centre, India

Geospatial Application for Crop Production and Assessment

Fasal Programme - Ministry of Agriculture and Space Applications Centre (ISRO), India

• Geospatial Application for Rural Development and Empowerment

Village Resource Centre Project, Indian Space Research Organisation, India

Geospatial Application for Early Warning System

Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services, India

Geospatial Application for Location Based Services

Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd, India

• Popularising Vehicle Navigation System

General Motors India, India

• Geospatial Application for Decision Support System in Local Government

Kanpur Nagar Nigam Limited, India

• Geospatial Applications for Decision Support System

Airports Authority of India

• Geospatial Application for Environmental Management

Green Belt Movement, Kenya

• Geospatial Application for Monitoring Vehicle Movement

Corporation of Chennai, India

Geospatial Application for Cadastral Mapping

Land Information Ontario, Canada

Geospatial Application for Design

Singapore Flyer

Geospatial Application for Engineering

RITES, India

• Geospatial Application for Poverty Alleviation

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, USA

Geospatial Application for eServices

Dubai Municipality, UAE

Sanjay Kumar, Chief Executive Officer, GIS Development said, "GIS Development, as a propagator and promoter of geospatial technologies is very pleased to see the spread of geospatial technologies to such an extent and we feel that such great efforts need to be acknowledged. I on behalf of the GIS Development team would like to congratulate and thank all the winners who very enthusiastically participated for the Excellence Award."

For more details related to Awards log on to http://mapworldforum/2009/conference/award_ceremony.htm

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