

## Sensitization Workshop on “GIS – The tool for Decision Making” at Koraput District, Orissa

KORAPUT district, one of the most backward district of Orissa, is the second KBK district after NUAPADA, to initiate development of a complete GIS application (Desk Top as well as Web-GIS) to support the district administration in monitoring & planning various sectoral activities through GIS Division, NIC, Bhubaneswar and the NIC District Unit, Koraput.



In order to present the project development from its inception till date and to familiarize the



features and utility of GIS to the officials of the districts, a workshop on “**Development of Web-Based GIS for Koraput District**” was organized at DRDA, Koraput.

The workshop was coordinated by Shri Vivekananda Mohapatra, OAS, Project Director, DRDA and chaired by Shri

Gadadhar Parida, OAS, the Collector.

The presentation started with the extensive and elaborate discussion on the basic concept and advantages of using GIS in implementing and monitoring of various plans & schemes operated at different levels in the district.

Dr. (Mrs) M. Routray, Scientist-E and Head, GIS Division, NIC, Orissa, clarified various queries raised by the district officials present on the workshop.





Shri Bijay Kumar Samal, Scientist-C, GIS Division, NIC, Bhubanesear demonstrated the full package developed for other districts and explained how this package is being used by Ganjam and Nuapada district administration for monitoring and decision making. He also presented the work done for the district

up-to-date. The clarifications and various suggestions received from the district officials for future work were also noted.

The workshop was attended by ADM, Sub-Collector, Tahasildars, officials from other departments including UNICEF. Mrs. Sailabal Prusty, DIO and N. Sasikumar, DIA, Koraput actively coordinated for organizing the entire workshop. The effort put in by NIC and the proposed plan for the district was highly appreciated by the district administration.

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