## **National Spatial Data Infrastructure and Sustainable Development**

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## **ABSTRACT**

Geospatial information has become indispensable for numerous aspects of physical and socio-economic development, planning and management. With considering the importance of geospatial information, development and establishment of geospatial data infrastructures which comprises the people, policies and technologies necessary to enable the generation and use of geospatial data through all levels of governments, the private and non-profit sectors and academia was started in 2002 in Nepal.

The paper provides the importance of geospatial information in the planning, management and the sustainable development, of the country. The paper then highlights current issues impacting National Geospatial Information Infrastructure (NGII) development in Nepal. The paper then provides the initiatives taken to further enhancement of NGII.

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