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Development of the National Geographical Names Database of the Islamic Republic of Iran and provision of a system for receiving feedback from users and refining information

Summary**

For more than 10 years, the National Geographical Names Database has been accessible through the web. The database information is extracted from a map series on a scale of 1:25,000. After verification and correction, the geographical names are completed by adding the transliteration field and are then provided through a web service for geographical names.

In the past, there has been no easy and reliable system for receiving feedback from users about geographical names registered in maps and documents. Through the provision of such a system, users, especially native users, will be able to send their comments to the system administrator. This process will help to resolve errors in spelling and transliteration. In addition, user feedback will help to correct mistakes in the location and type of features for which geographical names have been provided.

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