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Toponymic data files and gazetteers**Management of geographical names database and
its utilization****Summary****

The Geospatial Information Authority of Japan, as the national mapping organization, collects and manages a large volume of geographical names information. To manage that information, the Authority prepares a geographical names database. The database is essential for the Authority's various products, since data relating to geographical names are derived from it.

The report includes the Authority's method for managing the large volume of geographical names information registered in the geographical names database, and how it uses that geographical names information for its various products.

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** The full report was prepared by the Geospatial Information Authority of Japan. It will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2021/39/CRP.39, in the language of submission only, at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/2nd_session_2021/.

