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1) Introduction:

In India, Survey of India, the national mapping agency has been mandated to prepare the topographic map on various scales. The basic scale on which entire India is covered is 1:50,000 scale. Entire country covered by 5,060 Topographical map sheets on 1:50K scale. Predominantly all maps are printed in English language.

India has total 28 states, out of which Hindi is the language of 10 States while rest of the States have their own regional languages. The Constitution of India recognized 22 languages as schedule languages as follows.

 Assamese, (2) Bengali, (3) Gujarati, (4) Hindi, (5) Kannada, (6) Kashmiri, (7) Konkani, (8) Malayalam, (9) Manipuri, (10) Marathi, (11) Nepali, (12) Oriya, (13) Punjabi, (14) Sanskrit, (15) Sindhi, (16) Tamil, (17) Telugu, (18) Urdu (19) Bodo, (20) Santhali, (21) Maithili and (22) Dogri

Most of the languages have single scripts but some of the languages have more than one script.

2) How map names are collected in India

The map names were collected while working in fields in a standard format (named "22 topo") in which names are recorded in three languages i.e. English, Hindi& regional language. In field, Surveyor records names as spoken locally and get authenticated by local government officials.

3) **Post Digital Technology.**

After making available 1:50K Geo-Spatial Data available on Web Portal (<u>www.indiamaps.gov.in</u>) in 2019, the efforts towards transliteration of all map names in all 22 languages mentioned in Constitution of India was started.

So far map names of all 1:50 K Topographic maps has been transliterated in all 22 Languages. The language which have more than one script has so far transliterated in primary script. By end of may 2021 this will be available on open portal. <u>www.indiamaps.gov.in</u>.

4) **Documentation:** The documentation of the work done is in hand and the transliteration chart from Hindi to all other languages is planned to be published

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