

**ISRO-DMS Training at RRSC-South, Bengaluru:** 5-day Regional Training programme on “Space Enabled Geoinformation for Disaster Management” was organized at Regional Remote Sensing Centre – South, NRSC, Bengaluru during December 04-08, 2023. About 36 participants from southern states of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andra Pradesh, Puducherry and Goa attended the training program. Officials from NDRF, KSNDMA, KSNDMC, KRSRAC, State Landuse Boards (Tamil Nadu & Kerala), Land Records, Agriculture Department (Karnataka & Tamil Nadu), ICAR-IIHR, Coffee Board, BEL and Academic Institutions attended the training.



In the inaugural address, Scientific Secretary, ISRO, highlighted the role of space-based inputs for disaster management and development of early warning system for disaster risk reduction. Chief General Manager, RCs, delivered the first presentation on “Overview of EO Programme” with specific emphasis on natural resources management. Subsequently, presentations, demos along with hands-on exercises were carried out during 5-day training sessions to familiarize the participants about state-of-the-art technologies for mapping and monitoring of major disasters like Flood & Cyclone, Landslide, Earth Quake, Forest Fire and Agriculture Drought.

All participants provided very good feedback on the training programme and suggested to organize regular training programs for updating knowledge & skills about geospatial technology and its application for improved governance.



Director, NRSC chaired the concluding session. In his valedictory address, he briefed about the role of National Remote Sensing Centre in providing various services for effective disaster management while highlighting National Database for Emergency Management (NDEM). He emphasized the need for capacity building of officials of various central and state departments with theme specific customized training.

