# **Profile of Prof. Mahendra Pratap Singh Bisht**

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Present Position	Professor and Head Depa	urtment of Geology	125		
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Field of Interest:	I				
		phology, Natural Resource Manageme	ent, Remote Sensing		
and GIS Mode	lling, Geo-Spatial Data An	alysis.			
Educational Backgro					
• Ph. D. (Landsli	ide Hazards-Applied Geom	horphology), WIHG Dehradun /HNBG	U Srinagar		
	y), HNB Garhwal Universi	ity, Srinagar (Garhwal)			
<u>Title of D.Phil. Thesi</u>					
-	Study of landforms around Pipalkoti and Helang (Garhwal Himalaya) with special reference to				
	landslide and soil erosion"				
Employment Records					
-		inagar (Garhwal) (2023-onward with C			
• Director, Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun, (2018-16/01/2023 with GP 10,000/-)					
· •		rinagar (Garhwal) (2010-04/01/2018 w			
		INBGU Srinagar (Garhwal) (2003-201	.0)		
Senior Lecture	r, Dept. of Geology, HNB	GU Srinagar (Garhwal) (1998-2003)			
• Lecturer, Dept	of Geology, HNBGU Sri	nagar (Garhwal) (1993-1998)			
Research Scho	lar, NRDMS Group, Wadia	a Institute of Himalayan Geology D. D	un (1987-1993)		
Research Scho	lar, Dept. of Geology, HNI	BGU Srinagar (Garhwal) (1985-1987)			
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Membership	/Association with Pro	fessional Bodies:			
Life Membersh	iip	Annual Membership			
Indian Society of	of Earthquake Science	Indian Science Congress			
Indian Society of	Indian Society of Remote Sensing         Indian Association of Sedimentologists				

Association of Petroleum Geologists

Geological Society of India

Himalayan Geological Society

Indian Red Cross Society

ENVIS; Wildlife Institute of India

# Member of Committees:

- 1. Member Research Advisory Committee, Pantnagar University, Rudrapur Uttarakhand
- 2. Member expert, "Uttarakhand Disaster Recovery Program", Under the project implementation unit-resilient housing and buildings, funded by Word Bank and Asian Development Bank to Government of Uttarakhand after 2013 tragedy of Uttarakhand.
- 3. Member, **"Study Group on Himalayan Glacier":** Report of the Study Group on Himalayan Glaciers, submitted to the Principal Scientific Advisor, Government of India-2011.
- 4. Member, **"Biodiversity Monitoring Expeditions, Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve"**, Uttarakhand Organised by Department of Forest, Uttarakhand and MOEF, Govt. of India.
- 5. Member, expert committee on **"Landslide Hazard Monitoring** of Ukhimath Tragedy a natural calamity in 1999" formed by HNB Garhwal University on behalf of U. P. Government.
- Member, Task Force of (1) Landslide Erosion and Mass Wasting in Mansa Devi Area, Haridwar -1989, (2) Neelkanth Tragedy-1990 and (3) Geomorphic and Glacial Hazards in Badrinath Area-2003. Technical Reports Submitted to DST, MOEF, Government of India and Uttarakhand Forest Department.
- 7. Member, scientific group in the Documentary film of *National Geographic Corporation Ltd*, episode on "Lake of Skeletons"- a famous **Roopkund Tragedy** to the popular series "Riddles of the Dead".
- 8. Member expert, Water, Sanitation and Family Education in the Rural Areas of Garhwal Himalaya. A community based developmental program sponsored by World Bank to SBMA, (NGO), Anjanisain, Tehri Garhwal, India, 1999.

### **Academic Interface:**

#### Teaching Experience: 30 Years, (30th August, 1993 onward)

- 1. **Undergraduate:** Physical, Structural, Environmental Geology. (Including Practical exercises and field works)
- 2. **Postgraduate:** General geology, Geotectonic, Environmental geology, and Remote Sensing & GIS. (Including practical exercises and field excursions).
- 3. **Dissertation Work** in Remote Sensing and GIS (Specialisation: Geosciences), Applied Geomorphology and Environmental Geology; Since 2010.

### **Research Experience: 37 Years:**

The research investigations were mainly focused on the various Geo-environmental issues like Landslides, Soil Erosion, Water and Glacial Hazards in the rugged mountainous terrain of Uttarakhand Himalaya and the Application of Remote Sensing and GIS techniques to fulfill the task. Some fundamental basic geological research also carried out in collaboration with ONGC in the Aravalli Hills, Assam-Arakan Basin and Satpura Basin of Indian Sub-continent. Experience of Guiding Research:

- 1- D. Phil. Students Produced: 12
- 2- D Phil. Students Registered: 01
- 3- R & D Projects Completed: 05
- 4- Application Projects Completed: 23

## R & D Projects: 05

- 1. Study of some landslides along MCT zone in Mandakini valley and their relation with neotectonic actvities. Sponsored by Department of Science & Technology, Government of India.1994 97 (Completed).
- Studies of Periglacial Landforms around Kedarnath area (Garhwal Himalaya) and its Environmental Significance, sponsored by HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), 1995 - 96 (Completed).
- 3. Data Base for Land Resources and Strategy for their Management in the Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve, Garhwal Himalaya. Sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India. November, 2001- December 2004 (Completed).
- 4. **Impact of Glacier Recession on the Vegetative cover of the Valley of Flowers, Uttaranchal Himalaya.** Sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India. 2009 2012 (Completed).
- 5. Natural Resource Management and GIS Application in the Bhyundar Ganga Catchment, Uttarakhand Himalaya. Submitted to the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing Department of space Government of India, Dehradun. 2015.

### **Application Projects Completed: 23**

- 1. Nilkanth Tragedy, Geological and Geomorphological Approach. (Besides the Landslide studies and other Mass-movement phenomena scientific inputs were also provided to the District Magistrate, Army personals and Police during the Natural calamity). A report submitted to Department of Science & Technology, Government of India.1990.
- 2. Kaindul Waterfall Multipurpose Project, Based on Micro-Hydel Scheme, (en effort to utilize existing natural resources). Submitted to Department of Science & Technology, Government of India. 1990.
- 3. Landslides, Erosion & Mass Wasting in Mansa Devi Area, Haridwar (A report on causative factors, remedial measures and monitoring of suggested engineering structures for landslide control). Report submitted to the Director Rajaji National Park, Department of Forest, U. P., 1991.
- 4. Dudh Ganga Micro-Hydel Project at Kedarnath, (based on harnessing natural gradient and potential flow of Dudh Ganga). In this project site selection, plan, discharge measurement and power distribution system were the main task. This is one of the appreciable works, still in the service of nation, located at 3562mt over Dudh Ganga near Kedarnath shrine.
- **5.** Mausam, Jalwayu Aur Pariyavaran, Awo Isko Samjhain (Hindi). It was an environmental awareness programme for the overall community development of the rural areas of Pauri, Chamoli and Tehri districts of Garhwal Himalaya, 1998.
- 6. A Report on Water, Sanitation and Family Education in the Rural Areas of Garhwal Himalaya. It was a community development programme sponsored by World Bank to SBMA, (NGO), Anjanisain, Tehri Garhwal, India, 1999.

- 7. A Report on Geomorphic hazards around Badrinath area (Uttaranchal), and Innovative control measures proposed. (A report on causative factors, remedial measures and monitoring of suggested engineering structures for snow avalanche and debris avalanche control). Report submitted to the Chairman, Badri Kedar Temple Committee, Uttarakhand, Director Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve, Uttarakhand Forests Dept., and MoEnF, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
- **8.** Geological Investigation Report (A Part of Hariyawala Irrigation Canal Stage II) Sahaspur Block, Dehradun. Report submitted to Irrigation Department, Uttarakhand. 2014.
- **9.** Geological Investigation Report (Site selected for Veterinary College site-I &II) Village Gahar, Srinagar (Garhwal) Submitted to the registrar Uttarakhand Agricultural University, Bharsar, Pauri Garhwal. 2015.
- **10. Geological Investigation Report** (Site selected for G. N. M. School) Village Gahar, Srinagar (Garhwal), submitted to Project Manager, UP Rajkiya Nirman Nigam Ltd. Srinagar, Unit –II, 2015.
- **11. Geological Investigation Report** (Site selected for Veterinary College) Village Ratanpur, Rudraprayag, submitted to Project Manager, UP Rajkiya Nirman Nigam Ltd. Srinagar, Unit –II, 2015.
- Geological Investigation Report (Site selected for Veterinary College) Village Shail Gaon (Gauchar), Chamoli, submitted to Project Manager, UP Rajkiya Nirman Nigam Ltd. Srinagar, Unit –II, 2015.
- 13. Comprehensive Geological Report on disaster affected areas of Mandakini and Alaknanda valleys: Studies are mainly focused on morphological, land use/land cover changes and the rehabilitation status in the valleys after "Kedarnath Tregedy-2013" in higher central Himalayan region of Uttarakhand, submitted to the Secretary, Uttarakhand Disaster Management Department, Dehradun and Department of Geology HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), 2015.
- 14. Preliminary Assessment on Potentials of Cave-Circuit in Gangolihat area Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand. Gajendra Singh, Sashank Lingwal and M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre. 2018. Pp.27.
- 15. Report on the Application of Remote Sensing in Glaciers and Water Resources of Uttarakhand. Asha Thapliyal, Anju Panwar, Manish Rawat and M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2019; Pp138.
- 16. Forest Fire Burn Survey Mapping Using Multi Temporal Satellite Data for Uttarakhand State. Neelam Rawat, Akanksha Rawat, Govind Singh Negi, and M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2019; Pp.48.
- 17. Multi Temporal Satellite Data Derived based Information for Forest Fire Monitoring and Management in Uttarakhand. Neelam Rawat, Vikash Painuly, Govind Singh Negi, Pritam and M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2020; Pp.51.
- Exploring Caves of Gangolihat at Pithoragarh: An initiative for promotion of "Cave Tourism in KSL-India. Gajendra Singh, Lingwal S., M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre. 2021. Pp.29.

- 19. Survey and Mapping of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants from Alpine regions of Uttarakhand and Developing of Uttarakhand-Alpine Information System, Uttarakhand Gajendra Singh, Shasank Lingwal, Naveen Chandra and M.P.S. Bisht, Space Application Centre, Dehradun, Uttarakhand. 2021: Pp.212.
- **20.** Use of High Resolution Data for Mapping of Natural Resources of Randigad Watershed of Pauri District, Uttarakhand. Neelam Rawat and M.P.S. Bisht Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2020. Pp.45.
- **21. Report on Higher Plants group (Angiosperm) of Kailash Sacred Landscape-India.** Gajendra Singh, Lingwal S., Chandra N. **M.P.S. Bisht.** Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2022; Pp.111.
- 22. A Report on Geo-statistical Spatial Variability of Soil Nutrients Using Soil Health Card Data (for selected villages of Haridwar and U.S. Nagar, Uttarakhand). Priyadarshi Upadhyay, M.P.S. Bisht and Divya Uniyal, Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2022. Pp.178.
- **23.** Application of Remote Sensing and GIS in Sericulture Development, Phase-II. Sushma Gairola, Hemant Bisht and M.P.S. Bisht. Uttarakhand Space Application Centre, Dehradun. 2022. Pp.22.

#### **Academic Achievements:**

- 1. New findings: *"Cordycep Sobolifera"*. (a new fungal species first time reported in the NDBR Central Himalaya) 2004.
- 2. Contributing author Chapter VI, Report of the Study Group on Himalayan Glaciers, submitted to the Principal Scientific Advisor, Government of India-2010.
- **3.** Contribution in the preparation of *Syllabus* to the B.Sc. and M.Sc. Geology students (especially for the papers viz, Physical and Environmental geology for Undergraduate classes, General Geology and Geomorphology for postgraduate classes) of HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal).
- Contributing author Chapter IV, "Biodiversity Monitoring Expedition", Nanda Devi -2003, Uttaranchal Himalaya. A by book published by Department of Forest, Uttaranchal-2004.
- 5. Scientific contribution in the Documentary film of *National Geographic Corporation Ltd*, episode on "Lake of Skeletons"- a famous Roopkund Tragedy to the popular series "Riddles of the Dead". 2004.
- 6. Contributing author of the Report on Ukhimath Tragedy a natural calamity in 1999. A Landslide Hazard Monitoring Committee formed by HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal) on behalf of U. P. Government
- 7. Editor of a Book "Application of RS & GIS in the Natural Resources Management, Sustainability and Uses". Trans Media Publishing Co. Srinagar. (2010) pp 265.
- 8. Co-Editor "Nirjharni" (Hindi) Birla Campus Annual Magazine, 2001-05.

- 9. Co-Editor "UTTARAKHND YEAR BOOK" (Hindi & English) 2009- 10.
- **10.** Contribution in the preparation of **Hindi Dictionary of Geology** for the Commission for Scientific & Technical Terminology, Ministry of HRD. Department of Education, Government of India.
- **11.** Contribution to prepare **VISION DOCUMENT 2004** of HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal). Presented by Dr. N. Natarajan, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and released by HE Shri Sudarshan Agarwal, Governor Utaranchal, at Rajbhawan, Dehradun.
- 12. Scientific Member of the third "Biodiversity Monitoring Expedition", Malari to Milam, Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve Uttarakhand Himalaya 2005, Organized by Department of Forest, Uttarakhand.

### Honors' & Awards:

- CHAIRMAN; Indian Society of Remote Sensing DC (Year 2021-24).
- VICE CHAIRMAN; Indian Society of Remote Sensing DC (Year 2020 -21).
- **MEMBER**; Local organizing Committee for the National Conference on "AKASH for LIFE" in November 5-6, 2022 at Dehradun, under the Chairmanship of PSA and Chairman DOS, Government of India.
- SAMMAAN & SALAAM AWARD 2022 : Presented by Honorable Minister for Social Justice, Government of India, Sh. Ram Das Athawale and Honorable Governor of Uttarakhand Lt. Gen.(Retd.) Sh. Gurmeet Singh.
- **DEV BHUMI LOK SAMMAAAN 2022**: Presented by Himgiri Films, New Delhi.
- SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR 2022 onward, "Sankalp Taru Foundation". A tree plantation and Rural Livelihood Support Program connected with GPS and other social technologies.

### Administrative Experience:

Post Held	Period	
Head, Department of Geology	January 15, 2024	
HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar Garhwal		
Director	January 04, 2018	January 16, 2023
USAC, Uttarakhand		
Asst. Dean Student Welfare (ADSW)	2001	2004
HNBGU, Srinagar Garhwal		
Asst. Proctor	1995	1996
HNBGU, Srinagar Garhwal		
Counsellor in Counselling and Placement Centre	2006	2008

## **Responsibilities as Director USAC:**

From January 2018 to 2023, held the post of Director, Uttarakhand Space Application Centre (U-SAC) as on deputation. The main responsibilities were to apply space-technology for the benefit of the state and its people. U-SAC is one of the nodal agencies, under the Department of Information and Science Technology, Government of Uttarakhand has the mandate to explore the vast potential of Remote Sensing, GIS, Communication and AI technology for the management of natural resources, developmental and planning activities, in the state of Uttarakhand.

S. No	Departments	Activities
1.	Department of Tourism	<ul> <li>Prepared detailed "Tourism Map of Uttarakhand" (1:10,000 scale) with all the relevant features geo-tagged and formally released by Hon'ble Shri K. K. Paul, Governor of Uttarakhand in 2018.</li> <li>Provided sound Geotechnical and Ecological inputs to the Secretary tourism for the development of New Kedarnath plan after 2013 disaster.</li> <li>Identification and prepared a detailed map of floral and faunal diversity of "Old Pilgrimage and Track Routs of Uttarakhand" under the leadership of Director NIM Uttarkashi, during May to June 2019.</li> <li>To harness the new tourist destination and promote "Cave Tourism" in Uttarakhand. A detailed investigation report of the 10 Lime stone caves of Gangolihat Block of Pithoragarh district and a "Sita Mata Tourist Circuit Map" in Kot Block of Pauri Garhwal has been submitted to the Secretary, Tourism Uttarakhand in 2018-19.</li> <li>Significant Contributions to find out the 138 years old Original Manuscript of the "Prayer of Lord Badrinath", written by late Shri Thakur Dhan Singh Bartwal, Saterakhal, Rudraprayag, is now officially accepted and recognised by Board of Shri Badrinath-Kedarnath Mandir Sammiti.</li> <li>New Finding of the Fossil of Elephant Jaw (Stegodon ganesha) in the Corbett National Park. Such vertebrate fossils first time reported in this park of Siwalik Hills.</li> </ul>
2.	Agriculture Department	<ul> <li>Provided scientific inputs of the annual crop acreage of sugarcane and wheat crops for Haridwar and U.S. Nagar Districts to State Agriculture Department as well as MNCFC GoI. Under FASAL Program.</li> <li>Providing GIS interpolated soil nutrients maps using Soil Health Card data to state agriculture department for some selected villages of Haridwar and U.S. Nagar.</li> </ul>

#### Services Provided to the State Line Departments:

3.	Forest Department	<ul> <li>Provided day to day forest fire location in the state, through MODIS satellite data (NASA) and a comprehensive report for total burnt area submitted annually.</li> <li>Scientific inputs were also given to the State Forest Department for the conservation and management of forest as well as forested land mainly Bugyals of Uttarakhand. e.g. Geo-Jute technology under CAMPA project has been applied in Dayara and Pindari bugyals</li> <li>Identified and the Potential distribution and availability/status of 75 Alpine Rare, Endangered, Threatened (RET) and Medicinal-Arornatic Plants (MAPs) of Uttarakhand.</li> <li>Geo-Tagging and Biodiversity Assessment of Sacred Groves (Dev Van/Dev Braksh) of Uttarakhand.</li> <li>Characterization and development of Information System-Network for Himalayan Alpine Biodiversity in collaboration with IIRS and other partners is in progress.</li> </ul>
4.	Public Works Department (PWD)	<ul> <li>Provided Geotechnical inputs in the hazard prone sites of the pilgrimage rout of Kedarnath Shrine through SE, PWD Rudraprayag.</li> <li>Very High Resolution Satellite data (&lt; 1 meter scale from 2003 to 2020) of Dehradun Township has been provided to PWD, MDDA and Nagar Nigam to find out the change detection or illegal encroachments along the road sides within the townships.</li> <li>Recently VHS data of Jogiwala to IT park (Shahastradhara) road section for the year 2005, 2012 and 2020 has been provided to PWD Rishikesh Division.</li> <li>Provided GIS based maps on satellite images of Sahaspur and Raipur blocks as well as Constituency wise Road Network Map at 1:10K of Dehradun to the PWD Dehradun.</li> <li>Provided GIS based road network maps or eight districts (Almora, Bageshwar, Champawat, Chamoli, Nainital, Pithoragarh, Rudraprayag and Uttararkashi) to SE PWD Dehradun.</li> </ul>
5.	Irrigation and Pay Jal Nigam Department	<ul> <li>Prepared weir site geo-technical report as well as CAT plan for proposed ten multipurpose water pools along Nayar River, Thal River, Sakmundagad, and Randigad in Pauri District and Gairsain, Ramganga catchment in Chamoli district.</li> <li>Shared GIS data base for water quality maps, location of springs and wetlands of Uttarakhand to Irrigation Department.</li> <li>Preliminary survey report on the feasibility of the supply of Glacial melt water to Rain fed streams of Bageshwar and Almora Districts from Pindari catchment submitted to Secretary Pay Jal Nigam, Uttarakhand.</li> </ul>

6.	School Education	<ul> <li>Hosting USMIS Portal</li> <li>Upgrading School information with latest UDISE data.</li> </ul>
7.	State Planning Commission	<ul> <li>Co-ordinating and providing technical support to the State Planning Department regarding Uttarakhand Geospatial Database Management and development of Uttarakhand Geospatial Hub.</li> <li>Providing all technical support to the Planning and Department of Industry to operate PM's GATI SHAKTI program in the state.</li> </ul>
8.	State Urban Planning	• Member Expert Committee for the execution of AMRUT project in Uttarakhand.
9.	Department of Geology and Mining	• Provided primary to higher secondary school data along with Mining plot areas in the vicinity of leased mining plots of Dehradun and Uttarkashi districts.
10.	Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)	<ul> <li>Prepared Time Series Maps (2005-2018) of high resolution satellite data of a pilot study area (from Prince Chowk to Rispana Bridge and Kath Bangla area) as per the direction of Garhwal Commissioner for identification of encroachment area of MDDA.</li> <li>Provided Very High Resolution (&lt;1 m scale) Satellite Data (from 2003-2020) of Entire Dehradun Township to the VC MDDA</li> </ul>
11.	Tehri Hydro Development Corporation	• Survey of fourteen Lake Site villages under the threat of lake water fluctuation from Tehri Lake for the assessment of hazard risk.
12.	Information Technology Development Agency (ITDA)	• Provided GIS database of Uttarakhand School, Police Station / Fire Station, Road Network and Village Assets of Pithoragarh District for Bharat Net Phase-II Project of Uttarakhand.
13.	State Disaster Response Force	<ul> <li>Provided GPS Data Handling and Visualization hands-on to SDRF officials.</li> <li>Satellite based Early Information shared with the Authorities of SDRF and Office of the Chief Secretary before and after any natural Calamities occurs in the most inaccessible areas of the State i.e. Heavy Rockfall occurs en route to Kedarnath in 2019, Glacial Lake formation in Niti valley, Impact of Avalanche in Sumna along Rimkhim Nala-2020, Reni-Tapovan Tragedy-2021, along Rishiganga, Landslide Lake formation along Sambhu Gad in Kapkot, Bageshwar District in 2022 and recently during Maldevta Cloudburst - 2022.</li> </ul>
14.	Badrinath- Kedarnath	• Prepared preliminary Geological Survey Report of proposed new alignment pilgrimage route to Kedarnath Dham.

	Development Board	• Provided Geo-technical investigation Report for Phase II work of New Kedarpuri Infrastructure development to the Chief Secretary of the State.
15.	National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)	<ul> <li>Prepared new and additional proposed All Weather Road maps (Ponta Shahib to Barkot and Kotdwar to Srinagar).</li> <li>Geo-technical Investigation Report to find out the Causes of Collapse of Houses during Excavation of Chamba Tunnel on NH- 95. Report Submitted to DM Tehri.</li> </ul>
16.	Kumb Mela Kshetra Haridwar	• Prepared a comprehensive geospatial data base for Kumbh Mela-2021 and developed information system for Kumbh Mela Kshetra, Haridwar. Final Map and Report submitted to Kumbh Mela Adhikari Haridwar.
17.	Universities /Institutions	• Research scholars of various Universities and Institutions get benefitted by the scientific Knowledge as well as the available Satellite based information from USAC during their studies.
18.	State Health Department	• Prepared Geo-spatial Information system during first and second phase of Covid-19 for Dehradun Township.

### **Infrastructure Development of USAC:**

Construction of USAC new Building (UTTARAKHAND ANTRIKSH BHAWAN) through BRIDCUL within two years and formally inaugurated by Hon'ble C M Uttarakhand, Shri Trivendra Singh Rawat and Shri A S Kiran Kumar, Ex-Chairman of ISRO in presence of Shri R.K. Sudhanshu, Secretary, Information and Science Technology, on 10/02/2020.

## **Development of linkages through Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** with various Universities / Institutions:

S. No.	Organization	MoU for	Nature of Work
1.	Kumaun University Nainital	Ph.D. Work	Collaboration to conduct Research and Developmental activities (Ph.D.) activities.
2.	VCSG Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry, Bhrsar, Pauri Garhwal.	Ph.D. Work	Collaboration to conduct Research and Developmental activities (Ph.D.) activities.
3.	National Remote Sensing Center- Hyderabad	Research and Information generation	Thematic mapping of the state at 1:10k scale
4.	GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment	ResearchandInformationgeneration	Quantification of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants in Alpine region of Uttarakhand

5.	Uttarakhand State Biodiversity Board	Research Information generation	and	Landscape level assessment for developing Biodiversity knowledge network
6.	Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, Dehradun	Research Information generation	and	Alpine Biodiversity Characterization using Geospatial technique.
7.	Space Application Centre, Ahmedabad	Research Information generation	and	Integrated studies of Cryosphere.

### **External Resource Generation:**

To make an institution self-reliant finance is one of the important parameters to define the overall growth of any organization. During the period involved, USAC was able to get external financial support from various organizations of the country. Such a support is utilized for generation of various thematic resources for different line departments, strengthening of department in the form of infrastructure as well as for generation of employment.

Organizations	Project	Nature of Work	Budget (Lakh)
Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)	Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP)	Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) is one of the flagship programmes of the Government of India and is being implemented by the Department of Land Resources (DoLR) in all states of the country at 1:10K scale, coordinated and funded by NRSC, Department of Space (DOS). The work involves monitoring the changes due to implementation of IWMP activities and evaluates the impact accordingly using high resolution imaging along with smart phones.	15.39
	Land Use/Land Cover Analysis (Third Cycle)- 2015-16 project	Land Use/Land Cover Analysis (Third Cycle)- 2015-16 project on 1:50K scale, coordinated and funded by NRSC, Department of Space (DOS). The work essentially involves use of multi- temporal three seasons Resourcesat LISS III orthorectified data of 2015-16 for updating land use/land cover layer along with extensive ground truth collection and to carry out change analysis during 5 years interval.	14.79
	Land Degradation (Second Cycle) 2015- 16 project	Land Degradation (Second Cycle) - 2015-16 project on 1:50K scale, coordinated and funded by NRSC, Department of Space (DOS). The work involves use of three seasons Resourcesat LISS III orthorectified data of 2015-16 for updating land degradation layer along with 20% random sample ground checks.	9.04
	National Wastelands Change Analysis -	National Wastelands Change Analysis - 2015-16 project on 1:50K scale, coordinated and funded by NRSC, Department of Space (DOS). Under this project updation of wastelands vector layer of	3.75

	2015-16 project	2008-09 has been done by using orthorectified three season Resourcesat LISS III data of 2015–16 with the help of Bhuvan Web Geo-portal along with 20% random sample ground checks.	
North East Space Application Centre (NESAC)	Application of RS & GIS inSericulture Developmen t - Phase II (SILKS - 2)	on 1:10K scale coordinated and funded by NESAC, Department of Space (DOS). This project aims to develop GIS map of suitable site for Non-mulberry (Oak Taser) Sericulture Development at higher scale and Geospatial inventory of Sericulture farming.	6.0
National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC)	Space Based Information Support for Decentralizd Planning	Thematic (Land use/Land cover, Drainage and Road/Rail Network) mapping at 1:10k scale of the Uttarakhand state under Space Based Information Support for Decentralized Planning program of NRSC-ISRO	53.00
	Ground water quality mapping Phase -II	Classification of habitation wise legacy ground water quality data. Generation of water quality point map of pre and post monsoon season of surface water bodies. Generation of quality parameter wise ground water quality layers.	23.00
Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS)	Himalayan Alpine Bio- diversity Characterisat ion	Alpine Biodiversity Characterisation of western Himalaya at community level using geo-spatial and field techniques.	39.00
Minsitry of Environment Forest and Climate Change (MoEF & CC)	Main stream Landscape Approach for Biodiversity Conservation & livelihood inthe Kailash Scared Land KSL-India	Undertake landscape level assessment using Rs/GIS tools for identification and extent assessment of critical ecosystems/habitats/sites (including sites of invasion/human wildlife conflict). Development of model biodiversity knowledge network (MBDC) and share with the district administration.	35.00
Ministry of Agriculture MNCFC	Forecasting Agriculture output using Space Agro- metrology and Land based observations (FASAL)	The main objective of this project work is to estimate the acreage of the crop before harvesting and then to estimate the production. In FASAL project USAC is estimating the acreage for some crops in Kharif and Rabi season and for selected district. In Kharif season the selected crop is Sugarcane and is for districts Haridwar and Udham Singh While in Rabi season the acreage of wheat crop is estimated for 8 districts Almora, Dehradun, Pauri, Haridwar, Pithoragarh, Tehri, Udham Singh Nagar and Nainital.	02.00
Ministry of Agriculture	Digital Soil Nutrients Map	The main objectives of this project work are: <b>1.</b> To perform quality check, re-verify, edit and reconcile of sampling locations of soil nutrient	12.00

Space Application Centre (SAC) ISRO	Integrated studies of Cryosphere studies (ISCH) National Wetland Mapping Phase IInd	<ul> <li>data with respect to village Khasra nos. both provided by state agriculture.</li> <li>2. To prepare the GIS based point and interpolated maps for nutrients e.g. pH, EC, N, P, K, Zn, Fe, Mn, Cu and Br for each aspirational village.</li> <li>USAC is continuously verifying and preparing the soil nutrient interpolated maps based on the soil nutrients data received from the Offices of district agriculture Haridwar and U.S. Nagar.</li> <li>Generation of layer of glacier extents using satellite data and comparing the glacier extents. Mapping and change detection of glacier extents using high resolution data of selected glaciers.</li> <li>Updation of Wetland Inventory of Uttarakhand at 1:50,000 scale using LISS III data of 2017-18 time frame.</li> <li>Change analysis between wetland inventory GIS database for year 2017-18 and 2006-07 and report preparation.</li> </ul>	15.00
	Snow cover & grain size Mapping	Hyperspectral data processing and automatic extraction of Normalized snow difference index. Snow grain index generation and mapping using Hyperspectral data.	11.00

### **Organization of Seminars/Workshops and Social Outreach Programs:**

- 1. Three days National Seminar and Workshop on Application of Remote Sensing and GIS in the Natural Resources Management, Sustainability and Uses, 11-13 September, 2008, at Department of Geology, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), Uttarakhand,
- **2.** Seminar on World Tourism Day 27th September, 2007, Centre for Mountain Tourism and Hospitality Studies, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), Uttarakhand.
- **3.** Seminar on Himalaya Day on 9th September, 2015, on the Title theme "Sparsh Himalaya" at Department of Geology, Birla Campus, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), Uttarakhand.
- **4.** One Day Seminars on Applications of Remote Sensing and GIS in Various aspects of Natural Resources Management in different parts of Uttarakhand as Director USAC (2018-2023).

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1.	One Day Seminar on 'Applications of Remote Sensing and GIS in Sericulture
	Development (Phase II)' association with NESAC, Meghalaya at IRDT Auditorium,
	Dehradun on 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2022
2.	One Day Seminar on 'Application of Remote Sensing & Geographical Information
	System in Various Aspects of Science and Humanities' at H.N.B. Garhwal
	University, Srinagar (Garhwal) on 26th February 2020
3.	One Day Seminar on 'Application of Satellite Remote Sensing in Natural Resource
	Management' at V.S.K.C. Govt. Degree College, Dakpathar, Vikasnagar
	(Dehradun) on 18th February 2020

4.	Inauguration program of USAC Uttarakhand Antariksh Bhawan & Uttarakhand
	State Geo-informatics Meet 2020 on 10th February 2020
5.	USAC organised a Two Day In-house Capacity Building Training Program on
	Advanced Geospatial Techniques from 23-24 September 2019
6.	One Day Training Workshop on 'Utilization of Geospatial Technology in
	Agriculture and Horticulture Sectors' for officials of Agriculture Department at
	USAC, Technical Division
7.	One Day Capacity Building Program on 'Application of Remote Sensing & GIS in
	Disaster Management' at Govt. Degree College, Nainidanda, Pauri Garhwal on 31st
	August 2019
8.	Book Release Ceremony organised by U-SAC at Raj Bhavan Uttarakhand on 17 July
	2019
9.	One Day Workshop on 'Use of Geospatial Technology in Natural Resources and
	Disaster Management' at Ramnagar (Nainital) on 8th May 2019
10.	A short GPS Handling Training given to SDRF Team at USAC Technical Division
	on 16th April 2019
11.	African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) member countries
	participants visited USAC on 28 March 2019
12.	District Level Workshop at Tehri on 'Applications of RS & GIS in Glaciers and
	Water Resources Management in Uttarakhand' on 11th March 2019
13.	One Day Workshop on 'Role of Space Technology for Disaster Management' at
	Government Degree College, Thalisain – Pauri on 27th February 2019
14.	One Day Workshop on 'Role of Space Technology for Disaster Management' at
15	Saheed Durgamal Govt. Degree College, Doiwala on 8th February 2019
15.	State Meet – 2019: A one day State level workshop on 'Space based Information
16.	Support for Decentralized Planning' (January 15, 2019) One day Training & Capacity Building Program on "RS & GIS" at H. N. B. Garhwal
10.	Univ. Chauras Campus, Srinagar on 24th December 2018
17.	Block Level Workshop at Dasaithal, Gangolihat(Pithoragarh) on 'Applications of
17.	RS & GIS in Glaciers and Water Resources Management in Uttarakhand' on 22
	December 2018
18.	Block Level Workshop at Dharchula (Pithoragarh) under 'Empowering Panchayti
101	Raj Institutions Spatially (EPRIS)' Project (20-12-2018)
19.	Workshop on Biodiversity Conservation Education under Kailash Sacred Landscape
	Conservation & Development Initiative (KSLCDI) at Dharchula (Pithoragarh) on
	19th December 2018
20.	District Level Workshop at Uttarkashi on 'Applications of RS & GIS in Glaciers and
	Water Resources Management in Uttarakhand' on 28 November 2018
21.	Block Level Workshop at Gopeshwar (Chamoli) on 'Applications of RS & GIS in
	Glaciers and Water Resources Management in Uttarakhand' on 25 October 2018
22.	Block Level Workshop at Agustyamuni (Rudraprayag) on 'Applications of RS &
	GIS in Glaciers and Water Resources Management in Uttarakhand' on 23 October
	2018

23.	Block Level Workshops at Gangolihat (05-09-18), Kanalichinna (08-09-18) and
	Didihaat (13-09-18) Blocks (Pithoragarh) under 'Empowering Panchayti Raj
	Institutions Spatially (EPRIS)' Project
24.	Review meeting on Ground Water Quality (GWQ) Mapping for Uttarakhand &
	Himachal Pradesh state under National Rural Drinking Water Programmewas
	carried out at USAC from18-22 June 2018.
25.	Block Level Workshop – Berinag, Pithoragarh under 'Empowering Panchayati Raj
	Institutions Spatially (EPRIS)' project on 23 May 2018
26.	Two Day Workshop on Applications of Remote Sensing and Geographical
	Information System (GIS) in the development of tourism in Uttarakhand on 13th and
	14th March 2018
27.	Two Day Training Program on "Applications of Space Technology" For the Officers
	of Office of Accountant General (Audit), Uttarakhand on 1st & 2nd of February
	2018.
28.	One day Seminar on 'Application of Satellite Remote Sensing in Natural Resource
	Management' at V.S.K.C. Govt. Degree College, Dakpathar, Vikasnagar, Dehradun
20	on 18 Feb, 2020. Two days training on 'Remote Sensing and GIS' for assistant agriculture officers of
29.	Haridwar district from 13-14 Jan, 2020
30.	Two days training on 'Remote Sensing and GIS' for assistant agriculture officers of
	U.S. Nagar district from 20-21 January, 2020.
31.	One day training program for GIS Analyst/Technician of different district GIS cell
	on 11 February, 2020.
32.	Three days Training Workshop on "Use of Geospatial Technology in Effective
	Audits" for the Officials of 'Office of Principal Accountant General (Audit),
	Uttarakhand from November 30 to December 2021.
33.	One Day Workshop on Application of Remote Sensing and GIS in Sericulture
	Development Phase-II. Venue: IRDT Auditorium on 11 July, 2022
33.	One day Training program for the PG students of PG College Doiwala, Dehradun.
	Venue: Uttarakhand Antriksh Bhawan (USAC) Dehradun; Role and Application of
	Space Technology in various Sectors. 13 September, 2022.
33.	Short film also prepared on 'Rishpana to Rishiparna' Released by the Governor Smt.
	Baby Rani Maurya at Rajbhawan, Uttarakhand.

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- 2. Fluvial Dynamic Analysis of the Catastrophic Erosion in Upper Alaknanda Valley Uttarakhand. Presented in the National Conference on Mass Instability and Earthquake Risk management in Mountainous Regions: Challenges, Lessons Learnt and Future strategy. DMMC, Dehradun (2008).

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- 4. Impact of Climatic Changes on the Bio-Geoenvironment of Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve, Uttarakhand. Presentation on the occasion of World Tourism Day- 2008, CMTHS, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar.
- 5. A glacial lake outburst in Alkapuri Bank and its impact on downstream of Alaknanda Valley, Uttarakhand. National Seminar on Landslide Management: Present Scenario and Future Directions. Diamond Jublee Conference at CBRI Roorkee, Uttarakhand. February 2008.
- 6. Serious Concern: Receding Glaciers and Shrinking Ganga. Presentation at KDMIP Dehradun. Organized by Uttaranchal Utthan Parisad. November 2009.
- Nanda Devi Raj Jat Opportunities and Challenges. Presented on the occasion of University Youth Club Annual Function, at Swami Manmanthan Auditorium, at Chauras Campus, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar. April 2010.
- 8. Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve an overview. Presented on the occasion of Silver Jubilee Year of PAHAR a popular magazine by Dr. Shekhar Pathak, Nainital, Uttarakhand. May 2010.
- **9.** Receding Glaciers and Changing Vegetational Succession in Uttarakhand. CNR Rao Lecture Series for Science Outreach Program in Gopeshwar, District Chamoli Garhwal, Uttarakhand, 2011.
- **10. Changing Face of Himalaya.** Senior level Management group of BKTC and Uttarakhand Tourism Department. At HAPPRC Unit, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal), 2012.
- **11. Hydropower projects their merits and demerits in the Uttarakhand Himalaya.** Presented in Petroleum University, Dehradun, 2013.
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- 14. Kedarnath Development Plan an overview on its Past, Present and Future Geomorphic changes, its impact on the overall Valley Ecosystem. A Brain storming session (in presence of Frof. Vijay K. Raghavan, Principle Scientific Officer to Priminister of India) at Wildlife Institute of India August 2021.
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- 1. Books 11
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### **ANNEXURE-I**

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