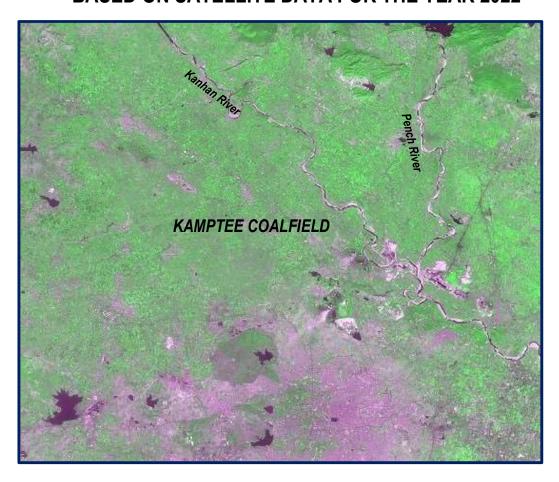
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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Project Reference

Coal India Ltd requested CMPDI to take up the study based on remote sensing satellite data for creating the geo-environmental data base of coalfield for monitoring the impact of coal mining on land use pattern and vegetation cover. Accordingly, road map for implementation of project was submitted to Coal India Ltd for land use and vegetation cover mapping of 28 major coalfields for creating the geo-environmental data base and subsequent monitoring of impact of coal mining on land environment at regular interval of three years based on remote sensing satellite data. A work order no.CIL/WBP/Env/2009/2428 dated 29.12.2009 was issued by CIL Initially for three years. Subsequently, revised work order was issued vide letter no.CIL/WBP/ENV/2011/4706 dated 12.10.12 from coal India Ltd for the period 20-12-2013to 2016-17 which was subsequently followed by another work order vide letter no: CIL/WBP/Env/2017/DP/8477 dated 21.09.2017 from Coal India Ltd for the period 2017-18 to 2021-2022 for land reclamation monitoring of all open cast mine as well as vegetation cover mapping of 19 major coalfields including Western Coalfield as per a defined plan for monitoring the impact of mining on vegetation cover. Further, a revised work order was issued vide letter no. CIL/ENVT/2022-23/W.O/10899 dated 06.07.2022 from Coal India Limited for the period 2022-23 to 2023-24. According to this work order vegetation cover mapping of 06 coalfields for 2022-23 & 07 coalfields for 2023-24 will be carried out covering all the subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd.

Project Background

Western Coalfield Limited (WCL) is subsidiary of coal India Ltd, dedicated for maintaining the ecological balance in the region has initiated a massive plantation programme on backfilled area, OB Dump and Waste land. The advent of high resolution, multispectral satellite data has opened a new avenue in the field of mapping and monitoring of vegetation cover. The present study has taken up to access the impact of coal mining on land use and vegetation cover in Kamptee Coalfield with respect to earlier study carried out in Kamptee coalfield in the year 2019.

1.2 Objectives

The objective of present study is to prepare Land Use/Cover map of Kamptee Coalfields covering an area 1040.90 Square Km on scale of 1:50000 based on satellite data of the year 2022, creating the geo-environmental data base in respect of land, vegetation cover, drainage, mining area, infrastructure etc and regular updating of data base at a regular interval of three years to assess the impact of coal mining and other activities on land use and vegetation cover in coalfield area.

1.3 Location & Accessibility

Kamptee Coalfield covering an area of about 1040.18 sq.km located in Nagpur district in the Vidarbha region of the Indian state of Maharashtra. It lies north of Kanhan railway station in Nagpur district. The coalfield extends in north westerly direction from Kanhan railway station towards Saoner. The study area is bounded between North Latitudes 20°55′00″ to 21°25′00″ and East longitudes 78°45′00″ to 79°20′00″ and is covered by Survey of India (SoI) topo-sheet nos. 55K/15, 55K/16, 55O/3, 55O/4, 55O/7, 55O/8, 55O/11, 55O/12. The total coalfield area is about 1040.18 sq km. This Coalfields holds a premier position in India for having the considerable share of reserve of thermal grades non-coking coal for catering the demand of coal in the western part of country. Kamptee Coalfield approachable from Nagpur through Nagpur–Jabalpur road i.e. NH-7. The nearest town is



Kanhan and Kamptee town which is 8 km from Nagpur. Kanhan river is approachable throughout the year. Kanhan railway station lies on the Nagpur- Howrah railway line. Nagpur to Ramtek railway line is 10 km from the Kanhan town. The nearest railway station is kanhan – junction (5 km) of South Eastern Central railway on Bombay – Howrah main line. Location map of Kamptee Coalfield is given in fig 1.1.

1.4 Topography & Drainage

The area exhibits gently undulating terrain and gently slopes towards south and southeast. The main drainage is controlled by southerly flowing Kanhan river which lies about 2 km. Kamptee Coalfield forms a part of the Kanhan river basin. The general flow direction of the Kanhan river is from south to north. Some of the coal block is mainly drained by Nand Nala and its tributaries. The Nand nala is a perennial one and ultimately discharges its water in Nand River.

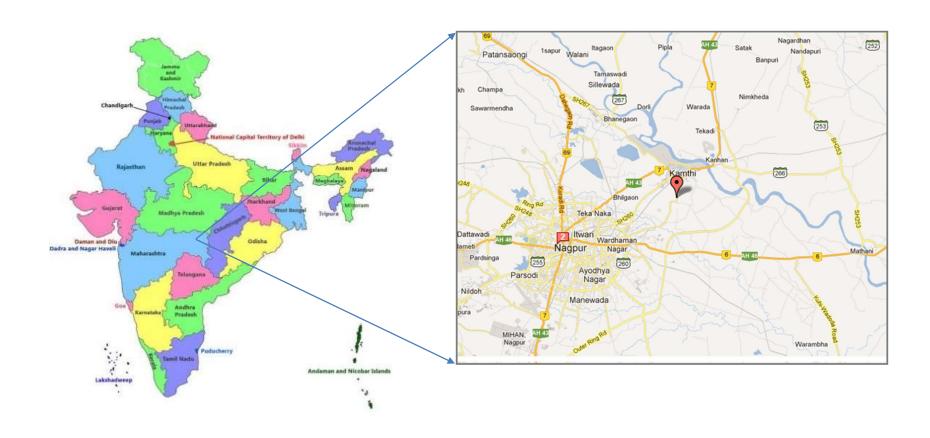


Fig. 1.1: Location map of Kamptee Coalfield

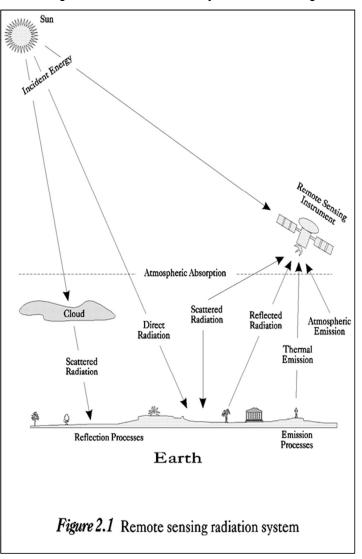
Chapter 2 Remote Sensing Concepts and Methodology

2.1 Remote Sensing

Remote sensing is the science and art of obtaining information about an object or area through the

analysis of data acquired by a device that is not in physical contact with the object or area under investigation. The term *remote sensing* is commonly restricted to methods that employ electro-magnetic energy (such as light, heat and radio waves) as the means of detecting and measuring object characteristics.

All physical objects on the earth surface continuously emit electromagnetic radiation because of the oscillations of their atomic particles. Remote sensing is largely concerned with the measurement of electro-magnetic energy from the *SUN*, which is reflected, scattered or emitted by the objects on the surface of the earth. Figure 2.1 schematically



illustrate the generalised processes involved in electromagnetic remote sensing of the earth resources.

2.2 Electromagnetic Spectrum

The electromagnetic (EM) spectrum is the continuum of energy that ranges from meters to nanometres in wavelength and travels at the speed of light. Different objects on the earth surface reflect different amounts of energy in various wavelengths of the EM spectrum.

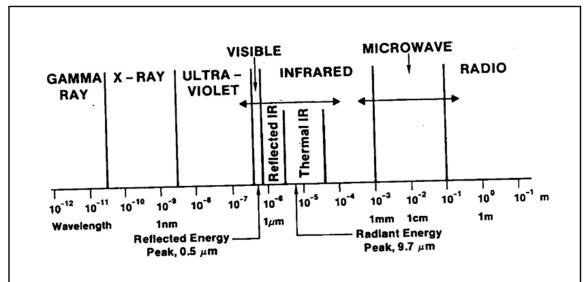


Figure 2.2 Electromagnetic spectrum. Expanded versions of the visible, infrared and microwave regions are shown in Figure 2.3.

Figure 2.2 shows the electromagnetic spectrum, which is divided on the basis of wavelength into different regions that are described in Table 2.1. The EM spectrum ranges from the very short wavelengths of the gamma-ray region to the long wavelengths of the radio region. The visible region (0.4 - 0.7µm wavelengths) occupies only a small portion of the entire EM spectrum.

Energy reflected from the objects on the surface of the earth is recorded as a function of wavelength. During daytime, the maximum amount of energy is reflected at 0.5µm wavelengths, which corresponds to the green band of the visible region, and is called the *reflected energy peak* (Figure 2.2). The earth also radiates energy both day and night, with the maximum energy 9.7µm wavelength. This *radiant energy peak* occurs in the thermal band of the IR region (Figure 2.2).

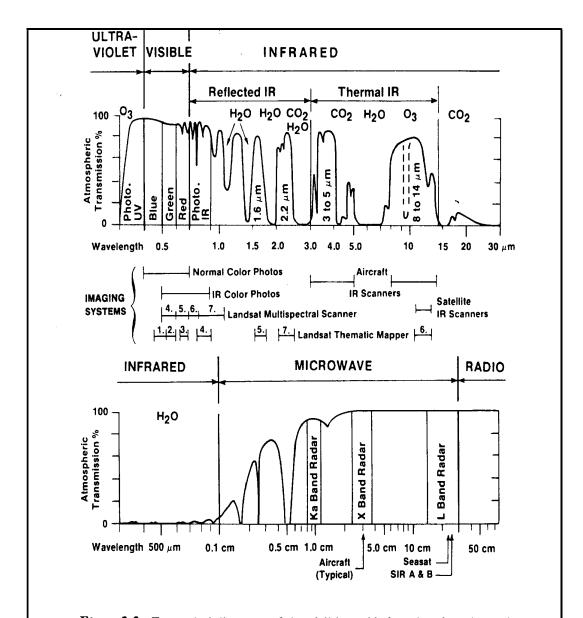


Figure 2.3 Expanded diagrams of the visible and infrared regions (upper) and the microwave regions (lower) showing atmospheric windows. Wavelength bands of commonly used remote sensing systems are indicated. Gases responsible for atmospheric absorption are shown.

	Table 2	.1 Electroma	gnetic spectral regions
Region		Wavelength	Remarks
Gamma ray	•	0.03 nm	Incoming radiation is completely absorbed by the upper atmosphere and is not available for remote sensing.
X-ray	0.03 t	3.00 nm	Completely absorbed by atmosphere. Not employed in remote sensing.
Ultraviolet	0.03 to	0.40 μm	Incoming wavelengths less than 0.3mm are completely absorbed by Ozone in the upper atmosphere.
Photographic UV band	0.30 to	0.40 μm	Transmitted through atmosphere. Detectable with film and photo detectors, but atmospheric scattering is severe.
Visible	0.40 to	0.70 μm	Imaged with film and photo detectors. Includes reflected energy peak of earth at 0.5mm.
Infrared	0.70 to	o 100.00 μm	Interaction with matter varies with wavelength. Absorption bands separate atmospheric transmission windows.
Reflected IR band	0.70 to	3.00 μm	Reflected solar radiation that contains no information about thermal properties of materials. The band from 0.7-0.9mm is detectable with film and is called the <i>photographic IR band</i> .
Thermal IR band	3.00 to 8.00 to		·
Microwave	0.10 t	30.00 cm	Longer wavelengths can penetrate clouds, fog and rain. Images may be acquired in the active or passive mode.
Radar	0.10 to	30.00 cm	Active form of microwave remote sensing. Radar images are acquired at various wavelength bands.
Radio	>	30.00 cm	Longest wavelength portion of electromagnetic spectrum. Some classified radars with very long wavelength operate in this region.

The earth's atmosphere absorbs energy in the gamma-ray, X-ray and most of the ultraviolet (UV) region; therefore, these regions are not used for remote sensing. Details of these regions are shown in Figure 2.3. The horizontal axes show wavelength on a logarithmic scale; the vertical axes show percent atmospheric transmission of EM energy. Wavelength regions with high transmission are called *atmospheric windows* and are used to acquire remote sensing data. Detection and measurement of the recorded energy enables identification of surface objects (by their characteristic wavelength patterns or spectral signatures), both from air-borne and space-borne platforms.

2.3 Scanning System

The sensing device in a remotely placed platform (aircraft/satellite) records EM radiation using a scanning system. In scanning system, a sensor, with a narrow field of view is employed; this sweeps across the terrain to produce an image. The sensor receives electromagnetic energy radiated or reflected from the terrain and converts them into signal that is recorded as numerical data. In a remote sensing satellite, multiple arrays of linear sensors are used, with each array recording simultaneously a separate band of EM energy. The array of sensors employs a spectrometer to disperse the incoming energy into a spectrum. Sensors (or detectors) are positioned to record specific wavelength bands of energy. The information received by the sensor is suitably manipulated and transported back to the ground receiving station. The data are reconstructed on ground into digital images. The digital image data on magnetic/optical media consist of picture elements arranged in regular rows and columns. The position of any picture element, pixel, is determined on a x-y co-ordinate system. Each pixel has a numeric value called digital number (DN) that records the intensity of electromagnetic energy measured for the ground resolution cell represented by that pixel. The range of digital numbers in an image data is controlled by the radiometric resolution of the satellite's sensor system. The digital image data are further processed to produce master images of the study area. By analysing the digital data/imagery, digitally/visually, it is possible to detect, identify and classify various objects and phenomenon on the earth surface.

Remote sensing technique (airborne/satellite) in conjunction with traditional techniques harbours in an efficient, speedy and cost-effective method for natural resource management due to its inherited capabilities of being multispectral, repetitive and synoptic areal coverage. Generation of environmental 'Data Base' on land use, soil, forest, surface and subsurface water, topography and terrain characteristics, settlement and transport network, etc., and their monitoring in near real - time is very useful for environmental management planning; this is possible only with remote sensing data.

2.4 Data Source

The following data are used in the present study:

Primary Data

Remote Sensing Satellite data viz. Resourcesat-IRS-R2A/L4FX of the year 2022 having 5.8 m. spatial resolution was used in the present study. The raw digital satellite data was obtained from NRSC, Hyderabad, on CD-ROM media.

Secondary Data

Secondary (ancillary) and ground data constitute important baseline information in remote sensing, as they improve the interpretation accuracy and reliability of remotely sensed data by enabling verification of the interpreted details and by supplementing it with the information that cannot be obtained directly from the remotely sensed data. For Kamptee Coalfield, Survey of India topo sheet no., 55K/10, 55K/14, 55K/15, 55K/16, 55L/13, 55L/14, 55O/3, 55O/4, 55O/7, 55O/8, 55P/1 and 55P/2 as well as map showing details of location of area boundary, block boundary and road supplied by WCL were used in the study.

2.5 Characteristics of Satellite/Sensor

The basic properties of a satellite's sensor system can be summarised as:

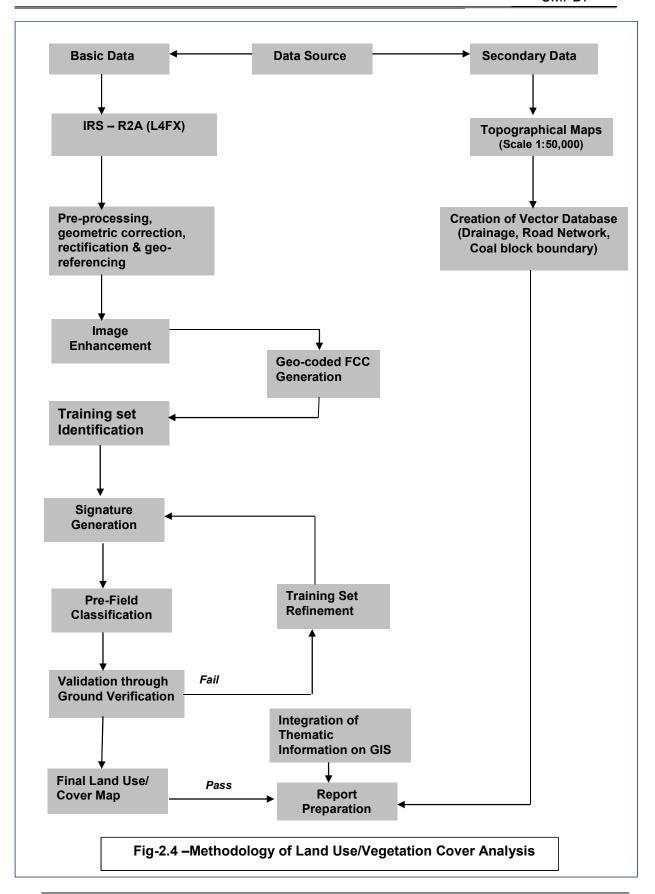
(a) Spectral coverage/resolution, i.e., band locations/width; (b) spectral dimensionality: number of bands; (c) radiometric resolution: quantisation; (d) spatial resolution/instantaneous field of view or IFOV; and (e) temporal resolution. Table 2.2 illustrates the basic properties of Resourcesat -2A satellite/sensor that was used in the present study.

Table 2.2 (Table 2.2 Characteristics of the satellite/sensor used in the present project work													
Platform	Sensor	Spectral Bands in µm				in µm	Radiometric	Spatial	Temporal	Country				
							Resolution	Resolution	Resolution					
Rsourcesat-	L4FX	B2	0.52	-	0.59	Green	7-bit	05.8 m	24 days	India				
R-2A	A B3 0.62 - 0.68 Red		(128-grey levels)	23.5 m	j									
		B4	0.77	-	0.86	NIR		23.5 m						
	B5 6.90 MIR				70.5 m									
							401							
NIR: Near Ir	nfra-Red	MIR	: Midd	le	Infra-l	Red								

2.6 Data Processing

The details of data processing carried out in the present study are shown in Figure 2.4. The processing methodology involves the following major steps:

- (a) Geometric correction, rectification and geo-referencing;
- (b) Image enhancement;
- (c) Training set selection;
- (d) Signature generation and classification;
- (e) Creation/overlay of vector database;
- (f) Validation of classified image;
- (g) Final thematic map preparation.



2.6.1 Geometric correction, rectification and geo-referencing

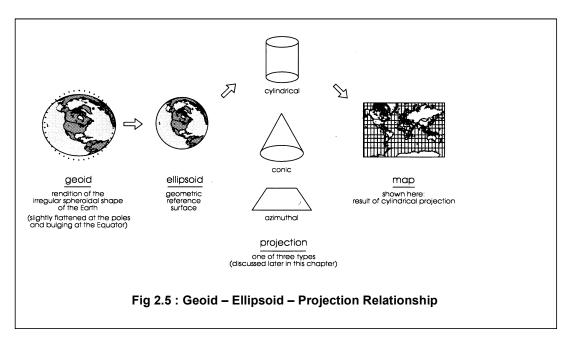
Inaccuracies in digital imagery may occur due to 'systematic errors' attributed to earth curvature and rotation as well as 'non-systematic errors' attributed to intermittent sensor malfunctions, etc. Systematic errors are corrected at the satellite receiving station itself while non-systematic errors/ random errors are corrected in pre-processing stage.

In spite of 'System / Bulk correction' carried out at supplier end; some residual errors in respect of attitude attributes still remains even after correction. Therefore, fine tuning is required for correcting the image geometrically using ground control points (GCP).

Raw digital images contain geometric distortions, which make them unusable as maps. A map is defined as a flat representation of part of the earth's spheroidal surface that should conform to an internationally accepted type of cartographic projection, so that any measurements made on the map will be accurate with those made on the ground. Any map has two basic characteristics: (a) scale and (b) projection. While *scale* is the ratio between reduced depiction of geographical features on a map and the geographical features in the real world, *projection* is the method of transforming map information from a sphere (round Earth) to a flat (map) sheet. Therefore, it is essential to transform the digital image data from a generic co-ordinate system (i.e. from line and pixel co-ordinates) to a projected co-ordinate system. In the present study georeferencing was done with the help of Survey of India (SoI) topo-sheets so that information from various sources can be compared and integrated on a GIS platform, if required.

An understanding of the basics of projection system is required before selecting any transformation model. While maps are flat surfaces, Earth however is an irregular sphere, slightly flattened at the poles and bulging at the Equator. Map projections are systemic methods for "flattening the orange peel" in measurable ways. When transferring the Earth and its irregularities onto the plane surface of a map, the following three factors are involved: (a) geoid (b) ellipsoid and (c) projection. Figure 2.5 illustrates the relationship between these three factors. The *geoid* is the rendition of the irregular spheroidal shape of the Earth; here the variations in gravity are taken into account. The observation made on the geoid is then transferred to a regular geometric

reference surface, the *ellipsoid*. Finally, the geographical relationships of the ellipsoid (in 3-D form) are transformed into the 2-D plane of a map by a transformation process called map projection. As shown in Figure 2.5, the vast majority of projections are based upon *cones*, *cylinders* and *planes*.



In the present study, *UTM projection WGS 84 Datum is* used so as to prepare the map compatible with the Sol topo-sheets. Polyconic projection is used in Sol topo-sheets as it is best suited for small - scale mapping and larger area as well as for areas with North-South orientation (viz. India). Maps prepared using these projections are a compromise of many properties; it is neither conformal perspective nor equal area. Distances, areas and shapes are true only along central meridian. Distortion increases away from central meridian. Image transformation from generic co-ordinate system to a projected co-ordinate system was carried out using ERDAS IMAGINE v.2014 digital image processing system.

2.6.2 Image enhancement

To improve the interpretability of the raw data, image enhancement is necessary. Most of the digital image enhancement techniques are categorised as either point or local operations. Point operations modify the value of each pixel in the image data independently. However, local

operations modify the value of each pixel based on brightness value of neighbouring pixels. Contrast manipulations/ stretching technique based on local operation was applied on the image data using ERDAS IMAGINE 2014 version s/w. The enhanced and geocoded FCC image of Kamptee coalfield shown in Plate No. 1.

2.6.3 Training set selection

The image data were analysed based on the interpretation keys. These keys are evolved from certain fundamental image-elements such as tone/colour, size, shape, texture, pattern, location, association and shadow. Based on the image-elements and other geo-technical elements like land form, drainage pattern and physiography; training sets were selected/identified for each land use/cover class. Field survey was carried out by taking selective traverses in order to collect the ground information (or reference data) so that training sets are selected accurately in the image. This was intended to serve as an aid for classification. Based on the variability of land use/cover condition and terrain characteristics and accessibility, 150 points were selected to generate the training sets.

2.6.4 Signature generation and classification

Image classification was carried out using the maximum likelihood algorithm. The classification proceeds through the following steps: (a) calculation of statistics [i.e. signature generation] for the identified training areas, and (b) the decision boundary of maximum probability based on the mean vector, variance, covariance and correlation matrix of the pixels.

After evaluating the statistical parameters of the training sets, reliability test of training sets was conducted by measuring the statistical separation between the classes that resulted from computing divergence matrix. The overall accuracy of the classification was finally assessed with reference to ground truth data. The aerial extent of each land use class in the coalfield was determined using ERDAS IMAGINE s/w 2014 version. The classified image for the year 2022 for Kamptee Coalfield is shown in Plate No. 2.

2.6.5 Creation/overlay of vector database

Plan showing coal block boundary are superimposed on the image as vector layer in the Arc GIS database. Road network, rail network and drainage network are also digitised on Arc GIS 10.8 version database and superimposed on the classified image.

2.6.6 Validation of classified image

Ground truth survey was carried out for validation of the interpreted results from the study area. Based on the validation, classification accuracy matrix was prepared. The classification accuracy matrix is shown in Table 2.3.

Classification accuracy in case of Coal quarry, Barren OB Dump and water body was 100%. Classification accuracy in case of Dense forest, Open forest, agriculture land, waste land, scrubs between 90% to 94.45%. In case of social forestry, the classification accuracy is 91.30%. Classification accuracy for urban settlement, rural settlement and Industrial settlement varies from 80.00% to 85.71% due to poor *signature separability index* whereas classification accuracy for Sand body and Fly ash pond are 66.66% and 80.00% respectively and overall classification accuracy in case of Kamptee Coalfield was estimated as 85.92%.

2.6.7 Final land use/vegetation cover map preparation

Final land use/vegetation cover map (Plate - 2) was printed using HP Design jet 4500 Colour Plotter. The maps are prepared on 1:50,000 scale and enclosed as drawing No. 2 along with the report. A soft copy in pdf format is also enclosed.

Table 2.3: Classification Accuracy Matrix for Kamptee Coalfield

SI. No.	Classes in the Satellite Data	Class	Total Obsrv. Points					Land	d use	classes	s as ob	serve	d in tl	he field	d			
				C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C 7	C8	C9	C10	C11	C12	C13	C14	C15
1	Urban Settlement	C1	05	03	1	1												
2	Rural Settlement	C2	07	1	06	1												
3	Industrial Settlement	C3	05		1	04												
4	Dense Forest	C4	18				17	1										
5	Open Forest	C 5	20				1	18	1									
6	Scrubs	C6	12					1	11									
7	Soc. Forestry	C 7	08						1	06	1							
8	Agriculture Land	C8	23						1	1	21							
9	Waste Upland	C9	17	1								16						
10	Fly Ash Pond	C10	5									1	04					
11	Sand Body	C11	03									1		02				
12	Coal dump	C12	05									1			04			
13	Coal Quarry	C13	05													05		
14	Barren OB Dump	C14	06										1				05	
15	Water Bodies .	C15	11															11
Tot	tal no. of observation po	oints	150	05	07	05	18	20	12	80	23	17	05	03	05	05	06	11
% (of commission			20.00	28.57	40.00	5.55	10.00	25.00	12.50	4.34	18.75	80.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% (of omission			60.00	28.57	20.00	5.55	10.00	8.33	8.33	8.70	5.88	40.00	33.33	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00
% (of Classification Accura	су		80.00	85.71	80.00	94.45	90.00	91.66	75.00	91.30	94.11	80.00	66.66	80.00	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ove	rall Accuracy (%)							85	.92									-

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Chapter 3

Land Use/ Vegetation Cover Mapping

3.1 Introduction

Land is one of the most important natural resource on which all human activities are based. Therefore, knowledge on different type of lands as well as its spatial distribution in the form of map and statistical data is vital for its geospatial planning and management for optimal use of the land resources. In mining industry, the need for information on land use/ vegetation cover pattern has gained importance due to the all-round concern on environmental impact of mining. The information on land use/ cover inventory that includes type, spatial distribution, aerial extent, location, rate and pattern of change of each category is of paramount importance for assessing the impact of coal mining on land use/ cover.

Remote sensing data with its various spectral and spatial resolution offers comprehensive and accurate information for mapping and monitoring of land use/cover pattern, dynamics of changing pattern and trends over a period of time. By analysing the data of different cut-off dates, impact of coal mining on land use and vegetation cover can be determined.

3.2 Land Use/ Vegetation Cover Classification

The array of information available on land use/cover requires to be arranged or grouped under a suitable framework in order to facilitate the creation of a land use/cover database. Further, to accommodate the changing land use/cover pattern, it becomes essential to develop a standardised classification system that is not only flexible in nomenclature and definition, but also capable of incorporating information obtained from the satellite data and other different sources.

The present framework of land use/cover classification has been primarily based on the 'Manual of Nationwide Land Use/ Land Cover Mapping Using Satellite Imagery' developed by National Remote Sensing Centre, Hyderabad. Land use map was prepared on the basis of image interpretation carried out based on the satellite data for the year 2022 for Kamptee Coalfield and following land use/cover classes are identified (Table 3.1).

	Table 3.1: Land use/cover classes identified in Kamptee Coalfield										
	Level -I	Level -II									
1	Built-Up Land	1.1 Urban 1.2 Rural 1.3 Industrial									
2	Agricultural Land	2.1 Crop Land 2.2 Fallow Land									
3	Forest/Vegetation Cover	3.1 Dense Forest 3.2 Open Forest 3.3 Scrub 3.4 Plantation under Social Forestry 3.5 Plantation on OB Dumps 3.6 Plantation on Backfilled area									
4	Wasteland	4.1 Waste upland with / without scrubs 4.2 Fly Ash pond 4.3 Sand Body									
5	Mining	5.1 Coal Quarry 5.2 Area under backfilling 5.3 Water filled Quarry 5.4 Barren OB Dump 5.5 Coal Dump									
6	Water bodies	6.1 River / Streams / Reservoir / Nala etc.									

Following maps are prepared on 1:50,000 scale:

- Plate No:1 Drawing No. HQ/REM/01 FCC of Kamptee Coalfield based on IRS-R2A, L4FX data of the Year 2022, Date of pass: 03.01.2022.
- 2. Plate No:2 Drawing No: HQ/REM/02 Classified image of Kamptee coalfield based on satellite data IRS-R2A, L4FX of the year 2022, Date of pass: 03.01.2022.

3.3 Data Analysis & Change Detection

Satellite data of the year 2022 has been processed using ERDAS IMAGINE 2014 version image processing s/w in order to interpret the various land use/cover classes present in the study area of Kamptee Coalfield. It is important to mention that from the year 2022, the analysis is carried out for the updated coalfield boundary covering an area of 1040.18 sq. km. (Source:ICRIS).

The area of each land use/cover class for Kamptee Coalfield were calculated using ERDAS IMAGINE 2014 version s/w and tabulated in Table 3.2.

In the previous study carried out based on satellite data of the year 2019, the study area was 1344.78 sq km. As both the coalfield boundaries used in the year 2019 & year 2022 are different in shape & size, for comparison purpose, the common area between both the boundaries which is 859.90 sq km area has also been calculated using ERDAS IMAGINE 2014 s/w has been depicted in Table 3.3.

Distribution of various land use classes are shown in the Pie Chart (Fig. 2.6).

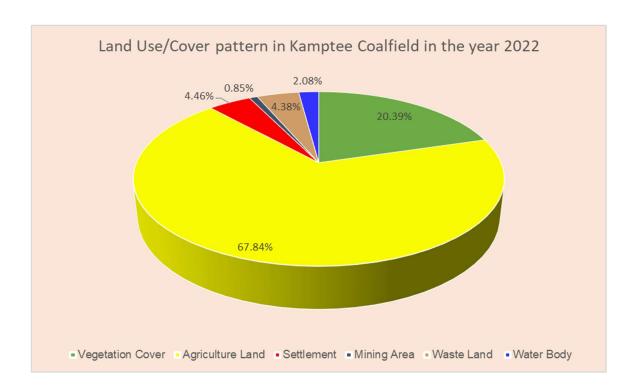


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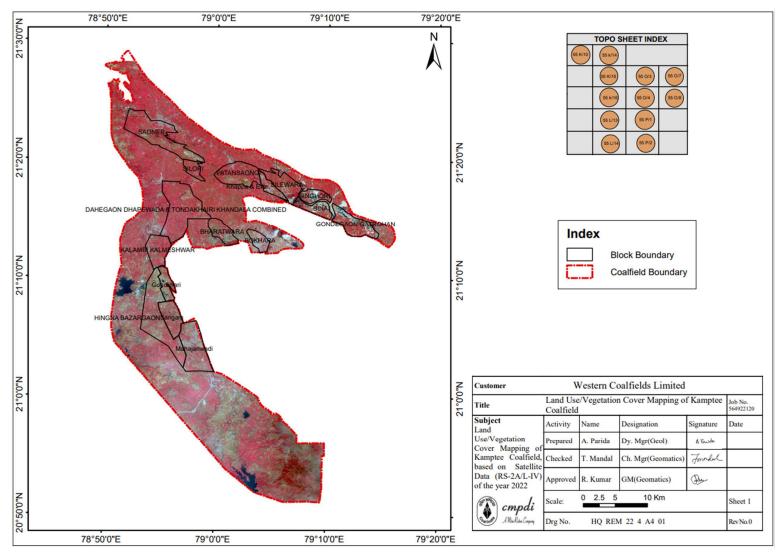


Plate 1: FCC (Band 3, 2, 1) of Kamptee CF based on Satellite data IRS-R2A, L4FX of the Year 2022

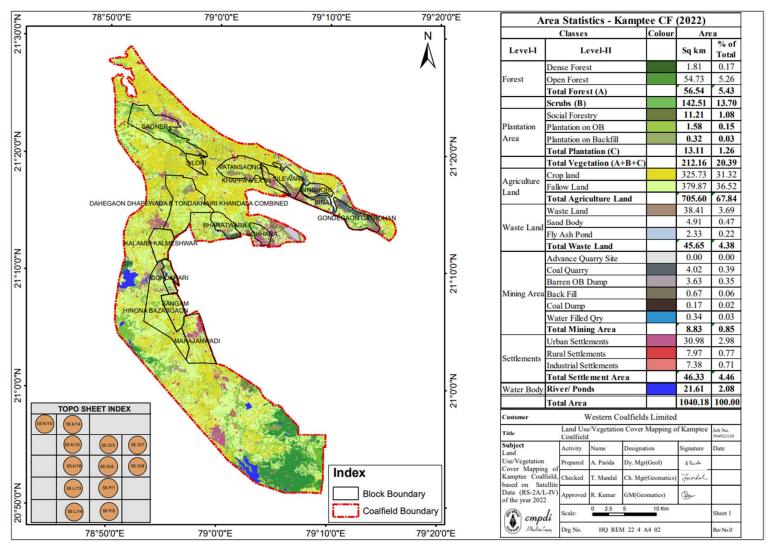


Plate 2: LU / LC Map of Kamptee CF based on Satellite data IRS-R2A, L4FX of the Year 2022

Table: 3.2
STATUS OF LAND USE/ VEGETATION COVER PATTERN IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD IN THE YEAR 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-	2022
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km²)	%
VEGETATION COVER		
FOREST		
Dense Forest	1.81	0.17
Open Forest	54.73	5.26
Total Forest (A)	56.54	5.43
SCRUBS		
Scrubs (B)	142.51	13.70
PLANTATION		
Social forestry	11.21	1.08
Plantation on OB	1.58	0.15
Plantation on Backfill	0.32	0.03
Total Plantation (C)	13.11	1.26
Total Vegetation (A+B+C)	212.16	20.39
AGRICULTURE		
Crop Land	325.73	31.32
Fallow Land	379.87	36.52
Total Agriculture	705.60	67.84
WASTELANDS		
Waste land	38.41	3.69
Sand Body	4.91	0.47
Fly ash pond	2.33	0.22
Total Wasteland	45.65	4.38
MINING AREA		
Coal Quarry	4.02	0.39
Barren OB Dump	3.63	0.35
Area Under Backfilling	0.67	0.06
Coal Dump	0.17	0.02
Waterfilled Quarry	0.34	0.03
Total Mining Area	8.83	0.85
SETTLEMENTS		
Urban Settlements	30.98	2.98
Rural Settlements	7.97	0.77
Industrial Settlements	7.38	0.71
Total Settlements	46.33	4.46
WATERBODIES		
River, nallah, pond etc.	21.61	2.08
TOTAL	1040.18	100.00

Table: 3.3

COMPARATIVE STATUS OF LAND USE/ VEGETATION COVER PATTERN IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD IN THE YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2	019	Year-2	022	Change w.r.	.t. Yr 2019	Domonto			
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Remarks			
SETTLEMENTS										
Rural Settlements	5.47	0.64	6.82	0.79	1.35	0.15				
Urban Settlements	18.38	2.14	24.62	2.86	6.24	0.72	Increase in settlement area is due to increase in			
Industrial Settlements	5.95	0.69	7.15	0.83	1.20	0.14	urbanisation and industrial activity as well as other socio -econonmic reasons.			
Total Settlements	29.80	3.47	38.59	4.48	8.79	1.01	Socio economini reasons.			
VEGETATION COVER										
FOREST										
Dense Forest	3.31	0.39	1.81	0.21	-1.50	-0.18	Some of the Dense forest Cover is converted into			
Open Forest	21.77	2.53	23.27	2.71	1.50	0.18	Open forest.			
Total Forest (A)	25.08	2.92	25.08	2.92	0.00	0.00				
SCRUBS										
Scrubs (B)	112.88	13.13	112.98	13.14	0.10	0.01				
PLANTATION										
Social forestry	10.83	1.26	10.83	1.26	0.00	0.00				
Plantation on Backfill	0.32	0.04	0.32	0.04	0.00	0.00	Plantation on OB has decreased due to increase in			
Plantation on OB	1.68	0.19	1.58	0.18	-0.10	-0.01	mining.			
Total Plantation (C)	12.83	1.49	12.73	1.48	-0.10	-0.01				
Total Vegetation (A+B+C)	150.79	17.54	150.79	17.54	0.00	0.00				
MINING AREA										
Coal Quarry	3.18	0.37	4.02	0.47	0.84	0.10				
Coal Dump	0.31	0.04	0.17	0.02	-0.14	-0.02				
Barren OB Dump	2.63	0.30	3.58	0.42	0.95	0.12	Increase in total mining area is due to expansion of			
Barren Backfill	0.65	0.07	0.67	0.08	0.02	0.01	existing mining projects.			
Waterfilled Quarry	0.15	0.02	0.34	0.04	0.19	0.02				
Total Mining Area	6.92	0.80	8.78	1.03	1.86	0.23				
AGRICULTURE										
Crop Land	156.83	18.24	288.44	33.54	131.61	15.30	A suite of the week is also as a seed about to combonization			
Fallow Land	461.58	53.68	321.62	37.40	-139.96	-16.28	Agricultural Land is decreased due to urbanisation and increase in mining activity.			
Total Agriculture	618.41	71.92	610.06	70.94	-8.35	-0.98	and increase in mining activity.			
WASTELANDS										
Waste land	29.84	3.47	32.43	3.77	2.59	0.30				
Fly ash pond	1.78	0.20	1.99	0.23	0.21	0.03	Area under total weets lend in more as less at-ti-			
Sand Body	6.65	0.77	4.55	0.53	-2.10	-0.24	Area under total waste land is more or less static.			
Total Wasteland	38.27	4.44	38.97	4.53	0.70	0.09	1			
WATERBODIES										
River, nallah, pond etc.	15.71	1.83	12.71	1.48	-3.00	-0.35				
TOTAL	859.90	100.00	859.90	100.00	0.00	0.00				

3.3.1Settlements

All the man-made constructions covering the land surface are included under this category. Built-up land has been further divided into rural, urban and industrial classes. In the present study, industrial settlement indicates only industrial complexes excluding residential facilities. Analysis of satellite data of the year 2022 indicated that area under Industrial Settlements has increased to 7.15 sq km (0.83%) with respect to 5.95 sq km (0.69%) area in the year 2019. There is an increase in industrial settlements by 1.20 sq km which is about 0.14% of the total coalfield area. The increase in industrial settlement is due to urbanisation and coming up of new industry. Total area covered by settlement is 38.59 sq km (4.48%) in the year 2022 with respect to 29.80 sq km (3.47%) in the year 2019. The details of the land use under this category are shown in Table 3.4 as follows:

Table – 3.4

STATUS OF CHANGE IN SETTLEMENTS IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2	019	Year-2	022	Change w.r.	.t. Yr 2019	Downseles			
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Remarks			
SETTLEMENTS										
Rural Settlements	5.47	0.64	6.82	0.79	1.35	0.15	have a second and the second in			
Urban Settlements	18.38	2.14	24.62	2.86	6.24	0.72	Increase in settlement area is due to increase urbanisation and industrial activity as well as other			
Industrial Settlements	5.95	0.69	7.15	0.83	1.20	0 14	socio -econonmic reasons.			
Total Settlements	29.80	3.47	38.59	4.48	8.79	1.01	30010 -CCONONINIO TCUSONS.			

3.3.2 Vegetation cover Analysis

Vegetation cover in the coalfield area comprises following five classes:

- Dense Forest
- Open Forest
- Scrubs
- Plantation on Over Burden (OB) Dumps / Backfilled area
- Social Forestry

There has been significant variation in the land use under the vegetation classes within the area as shown in Table 3.5.

Table – 3.5

STATUS OF CHANGE IN VEGETATION COVER IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2	019	Year-2	022	Change w.r	.t. Yr 2019	Domonto
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km ²)	%	Remarks
VEGETATION COVER							
FOREST							
Dense Forest	3.31	0.39	1.81	0.21	-1.50	-0.18	Some of the Dense forest Cover is converted into
Open Forest	21.77	2.53	23.27	2.71	1.50	0.18	Open forest.
Total Forest (A)	25.08	2.92	25.08	2.92	0.00	0.00	
SCRUBS							
Scrubs (B)	112.88	13.13	112.98	13.14	0.10	0.01	
PLANTATION							
Social forestry	10.83	1.26	10.83	1.26	0.00	0.00	
Plantation on Backfill	0.32	0.04	0.32	0.04	0.00	0.00	Plantation on OB has decreased due to increase in
Plantation on OB	1.68	0.19	1.58	0.18	-0.10	-0.01	mining.
Total Plantation (C)	12.83	1.49	12.73	1.48	-0.10	-0.01	
Total Vegetation (A+B+C)	150.79	17.54	150.79	17.54	0.00	0.00	

Dense forest – Forest having crown density of above 40% comes in this class. In the year 2019 the total area covered by dense forest were estimated to be 3.31 sq km area (0.39%) of the total coalfield area. Whereas in year 2022 the estimated area under dense forest has decreased to 1.81 sq km area (0.21%) with respect to the year 2019. This decrease of 1.50 sq km in dense forest which is about 0.18% of the total coalfield area is due to conversion of dense forest into open forest.

Open Forest – Forest having crown density between 10% to 40% comes under this class. Open forest cover over Kamptee Coalfield which was estimated to be 21.77 sq km (2.53%) in 2019 has increased to 23.27 sq km (2.71%) of the total coalfield area in the year 2022. Thus the increase in open forest area is 1.50 sq km (0.18%) of the total coalfield area. This increase in open forest area is due to conversion of dense forest into open forest in the coalfield area.

Scrubs – Scrubs are vegetation with crown density less than 10%. Scrubs in the coalfield are seen to be scattered signature all over the area mixed with wastelands. It is observed that Scrubs covered over Kamptee Coalfield which was estimated to 112.88 sq km (13.13%) in the year 2019 has increased to 112.98 sq.km (13.14%) of the total Coalfield area in the year 2022.

Social Forestry – Plantation which has been carried out on wastelands, along the roadsides and colonies on green belt come under this category. Analysis of data reveals that Social Forestry covers 10.83 sq km area (1.26%) of the Kamptee coalfield in 2019 which remains same in the year 2022.

Plantation on OB Dump and backfilled area –The plantation on the OB dumps is estimated to be 1.58 sq km (0.18%) of the coalfield area in the year 2022 as compared to area covered by plantation on OB 1.68 sq km (0.19%) in the year 2019. The decrease in area covered by plantation on OB is estimated to be 0.10 sq km (0.01%) in the year 2022 with respect to Year 2019. This decrease is due to increase in mining activity. The plantation on backfilled area in the year 2022 remains same as 0.32 sq km (0.04%) in the year 2019.

3.3.3 Mining Area

The mining area was primarily been categorized as.

- Coal Quarry
- Barren OB Dump

To make the study more relevant and to give thrust on land reclamation, in the current study some more classes have been added as follows:

- Barren Backfilled Area
- Coal Dumps
- Water filled Quarry

The area covered by Coal quarry is estimated to be 4.02 sq km (0.47%) in the year 2022 as compared to 3.18 sq km (0.37%) in the year 2019. The increase of 0.84 sq km in the area of coal quarry is due to expansion of existing opencast mine. Area covered under coal dump has decreased from 0.31 sq km (0.04%) in the year 2019 to 0.17 sq km (0.02%) in the year 2022. In the year 2019 the barren OB dump was estimated to be 2.63 sq km (0.30%) which has increased to 3.58 sq km (0.42%) in the year 2022. This increase of 0.95 sq km area (0.12%) is due to expansion of existing opencast mines. However, the overall mining area is estimated to increase from 6.92 sq km (0.80%) in the year 2019 to 8.78 sq km (1.03%) in the year 2022. The status of land use in the mining area of the Kamptee Coalfield is shown in the table 3.6.

Analysis indicates that there is an overall increasing trend in mining activity with increase to about 1.86 sq km (0.23%) mining area as compared to year 2019.

Table – 3.6

STATUS OF CHANGE IN MINING AREA IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING THE YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-20	019	Year-2	022	Change w.r.	t. Yr 2019	Domonko
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Remarks
MINING AREA							
Coal Quarry	3.18	0.37	4.02	0.47	0.84	0.10	
Coal Dump	0.31	0.04	0.17	0.02	-0.14	-0.02	
Barren OB Dump	2.63	0.30	3.58	0.42	0.95	0.12	Increase in total mining area is due to expansion of
Barren Backfill	0.65	0.07	0.67	0.08	0.02	0.01	existing mining projects.
Waterfilled Quarry	0.15	0.02	0.34	0.04	0.19	0.02	
Total Mining Area	6.92	0.80	8.78	1.03	1.86	0.23	

3.3.4 Agricultural Land

Land primarily used for farming and production of food, fibre and other commercial and horticultural crops falls under this category. It includes crop land (irrigated and unirrigated) and fallow land (land used for cultivation, but temporarily allowed to rest). Total agricultural land is estimated to 610.06 sq km in the year 2022, which is 70.94% of the Kamptee Coalfield area. While it was estimated to 618.41 sq km in year 2019, which was 71.92% of the Coalfield area. *The details are shown below in Table 3.7*.

Table – 3.7

STATUS OF CHANGE IN AGRICULTURE LAND IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING THE YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2	019	Year-2022		Change w.r	.t. Yr 2019	Damadra	
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km ²)	%	Area (Km ²)	%	Remarks	
AGRICULTURE								
Crop Land	156.83	18.24	288.44	33.54	131.61	15.30	Agricultural Land is decreased due to urbanization	
Fallow Land	461.58	53.68	321.62	37.40	-139.96	-16 28	 Agricultural Land is decreased due to urbanisati and increase in mining activity. 	
Total Agriculture	618.41	71.92	610.06	70.94	-8.35	-0.98	and morease in mining delivity.	

3.3.5 Wasteland

Wasteland is degraded and unutilised class of land which is deteriorating on account of natural causes or due to lack of appropriate water and soil management. Wasteland can result from inherent/imposed constraints such as location, environment, chemical and physical properties of the soil or financial or management constraints.

The land use pattern within the area for waste lands is shown below in Table – 3.7. Analysis of data reveals that waste land in Kamptee Coalfields occupies 38.97 sq km (4.53%) in the year 2022 out of

which waste up land with scrubs or without scrubs occupies 32.43 sq km (3.77%), Fly ash pond constitute 1.99 sq km (0.23%) and sand bodies constitute 4.55 sq km (0.53%) in the year 2022. In comparison to the year 2019, waste land class in the year 2022 in Kamptee Coalfield has increased marginally by 0.09% which is more or less static. The details are shown below in Table 3.8

Table – 3.8

STATUS OF CHANGE IN WASTELAND IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING THE YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2019		Year-2022		Change w.r.t. Yr 2019		Demonto	
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Remarks	
WASTELANDS								
Waste land	29.84	3.47	32.43	3.77	2.59	0.30	Area under total waste land is more or less static.	
Fly ash pond	1.78	0.20	1.99	0.23	0.21	0.03		
Sand Body	6.65	0.77	4.55	0.53	-2.10	-0.24		
Total Wasteland	38.27	4.44	38.97	4.53	0.70	0.09		

3.3.6 Water bodies

It is the area of impounded water includes natural lakes, rivers/streams and man-made canal, reservoirs, tanks etc. The water bodies in the study area had been estimated to be 15.71 sq km in the year 2019, which was 1.83% of the coalfield area. While in the year 2022, it has decreased to 12.71 sq km which is 1.48% of the total coalfield area. So there is a decrease of area 3 sq km (0.35%) in water bodies.

Table: 3.9

STATUS OF CHANGE IN SURFACE WATER BODIES IN KAMPTEE COALFIELD DURING THE YEAR 2019 & 2022

LAND USE CLASSES	Year-2019		Year-	2022	Change w.r.t. Yr 2019	
LAND USE CLASSES	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%	Area (Km²)	%
WATERBODIES						
River, nallah, pond etc.	15.71	1.83	12.71	1.48	-3.00	-0.35

Chapter 4

Conclusion & Recommendation

4.1 Conclusion

In the present study, land use/ vegetation cover mapping has been carried out based on IRS-R2A L4FX satellite data of the year 2022 in order to monitor the impact of coal mining on land environment which may help in formulating the mitigation measures required, if any.

Study reveals that Kamptee coalfield covers an area of 1040.18 sq km. Vegetation cover which includes dense forests, open forests, scrubs, avenue plantation, plantation on backfill & plantation on overburden dumps covers an area of 212.16 sq km (20.39%) in the year 2022. Total Agricultural land which includes crop land and fallow land covers an area of 705.60 sq km (67.84%), toal waste land covers an area of 45.65 sq km (4.38%), toal mining area which includes coal quarry, barren OB dump, barren backfilled area, coal dump and water filled quarry covers an area of 8.83 sq km (0.85%), toal settlements which includes urban, rural and industrial settlements covers an area of 46.33 sq km (4.46%), toal water body covers an area of 21.61 sq km (2.08%). As compared to year 2019 there is an increase in 1.86 sq km (0.23%) in mining area. This is due to expansion of existing opencast mine. Total settlements have increased 8.79 sq km area (1.01%) due to increase in urbanisation, industrial activity and other socioeconomic reasons. Waste lands have increased 0.70 sq km area (0.09%) as indicated in Table-3.2.

4.2 Recommendation

It is essential to maintain the ecological balance for sustainable development of the area together with coal mining in Kamptee Coalfield. It is recommended that land reclamation of the mining area should be taken up on top priority by WCL. Such study should be carried out regularly to assess the impact of coal mining on land use pattern and vegetation cover in the coalfield to formulate the remedial measures, if any, required for mitigating the adverse impact of coal mining on land environment. Such regional study will also be helpful in assessing the environmental degradation/ upgradation carried out by different industries operating in the coalfield area.

ABBREVIATIONS

Sol	Survey of India	
MoEF & CC	Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change	
CIL	Coal India Limited	
ECL	Eastern Coalfields Limited	
BCCL	Bharat Coking Coal Limited	
CCL	Central Coalfields Limited	
WCL	Western Coalfields Limited	
SECL	South Eastern Coalfields Limited	
NCL	Northern Coalfields Limited	
MCL	Mahanadi Coalfields Limited	
NEC	North Eastern Coalfields	
CMPDIL	Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Ltd	
NRSC	National Remote Sensing Centre	
R2/ R2A	ResourceSat Satellites	
LISS - 4	Linear Imaging and Self Scanning Sensor	
FCC	False Colour Composite	
OCP	Opencast Project	
UGP	Underground Project	
ОВ	Over Burden	
GCP	Ground Control points	
GIS	Geographic Information System	
WGS-84	World Geodetic System	
UTM	Universal Transverse Mercator	

GLOSSARY

SI.	Term	Definition
1.	Land Reclamation	To manage, reclaim and restore mined out/ degraded land as close as possible to its original stage.
2.	Over Burden	The material that lies above the coal seam/ deposit
3.	Monitoring	A process of evaluation to check or keep record for a period of time.
4.	Opencast Coal Mine	Open-pit mining, also known as opencast mining, is a surface mining technique that extracts minerals from an open pit in the ground.
5.	Social Forestry	Social forestry is the management and protection of forests and afforestation of barren and deforested lands with the purpose of helping environmental, social and rural development. Plantation (Social/Avenue or other) carried out outside mining area.
6.	Biological Reclamation	Plantation on Backfilled areas (Stablised Internal Dumps)
7.	Technical Reclamation	Area under backfilling (Over burden dumped inside the mine voids) in mining area.
8.	Green Cover Generated	Total Plantation carried out in the lease area of Project. This includes Plantation on Backfill, Plantation on OB and Social Forestry.
9.	Leasehold Area	The area, for which lease is granted for the purpose of undertaking mining and allied operations.
10.	Excavated area	Mined out area which includes active mining, area under backfilling and plantation on backfilled areas
11.	Active Mining	Mining areas which include Coal Quarry, Advance Quarry, Quarry Filled with Water etc.
12.	Environmental Protection	It is the practice of protecting the natural environment by individuals, organizations and governments. Its objectives are to conserve natural resources and the existing natural environment and, where possible, to mitigate damage and reverse trends.
13.	Remedial Measure	Any measure or action required or undertaken to investigate, monitor, clean up, remove, treat, prevent, contain or otherwise remediate the presence or release of any hazardous substance or activity.
14.	Systematic Error	Every measurement differing from the true measurement in the same direction, and even by the same amount in some cases.

15.	Geometric Distortion	It refers to the improper positioning of any image with respect to their true geographic position when viewed in a properly scaled common image display plane.
16.	Land Use/ Cover Class	Land cover is what covers the surface of the earth and land use describes how the land is used.
17.	Accuracy	The closeness of agreement between a measured quantity value and a true quantity value.
18.	Environmental Clearance	Environmental Clearance (EC) for any developmental projects like coal mining projects etc. has been made mandatory by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF & CC) through its Notification issued on 27.01.1994 under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
19.	Rectification and Geo-referencing	Geo-referencing is the assigning of absolute location of a data point or data points. Geo-rectification refers to the removal of geometric distortions between sets of data points, most often the removal of terrain, platform, and sensor induced distortions from remote sensing imagery.
20.	Image Enhancement	It is the process of modifying digital images so that the results are more suitable for processing or further image analysis.
21.	Training set selection	It is a portion of a data set used to fit or train a model for prediction or classification of values that are known in the training set, but unknown in other (future) data.
22.	Image Classification	It refers to the task of extracting information classes from a multiband raster image. The resulting raster from image classification can be used to create thematic maps.
23.	Temporal Changes	The 'temporal change' means the change in any entity with a period of time.
24.	Ground Truthing	Collection of primary/ basic information from ground realities for satellite image interpretation and thematic mapping.
25.	Cluster	Group of opencast and/ or underground mines clubbed together for administrative purposes.
26.	Arc GIS	GIS Software used for Map preparation
27.	ERDAS IMAGINE	Satellite Image Data Classification Software











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