

# **UTTARAKHAND FOREST FIRE MANAGEMENT MODEL – SOP**

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# Introduction

- Active forest fires are detected from the satellite images and BHUVAN Portal.
- Forest Fires are one of the main concerns of the Forest Department that occur during 'Fire Season' (15th February to 15th June) every year.
- Around 71 % of total geographical area of Uttarakhand is forest area and the most vulnerable areas for forest fires are *Chir*-pine forests which constitute around 16 % of total forests of Uttarakhand.
- The most sensitive districts for forest fires are - Pauri-Garhwal, Nainital, Almora, Rudraprayag, Chamoli, Pithoragarh, Tehri .

# Forest Fire - Adverse effects

## TRANSBOUNDARY

- Loss of biodiversity & loss of wild life habitat
- Global warming resulting in rising temperature & CO2
- Loss of carbon sinks
- Disturbance of global biogeochemical cycles
- Degradation of water catchment areas
- Ozone layer depletion
- Health problems leading to diseases

# Forest Fire –Adverse effect...

## REGIONAL -

- Degradation of forests
- Loss of natural regeneration and forest cover
- Soil erosion affecting productivity of soils and production
- Change in the microclimate of the area
- Indirect affect on agricultural production
- Loss of livelihood for tribal and rural poor (300 million) dependent on NTFP's

# Forest Fire

## CLASSIFICATION

- **ON BASIS OF CAUSATIVE FACTORS:**

- NATURAL

- ACCIDENTAL

- INTENTIONAL

# Forest Fire – Natural ....

## Causes –

- Lightning – Maximum no.
- Rolling Stones
- Rubbing of dry bamboo

## Nature & Effect –

- Non preventable & spontaneous
- Damage less

# Forest Fire – Accidental...

## Causes

- Kindling fire without permission - By laborers engaged in forestry works, road construction
- Leaving a fire burning (graziers and gatherers of various forest products starting)
- Small fires to obtain good grazing grass
- Facilitate gathering of NTFP's e.g. flowers of *Madhuca indica* and leaves of *Diospyros melanoxylon*
- To ward off wild animals

# Forest Fire – Accidental...

## Causes

- Burning bark to destroy beetles
- Shifting cultivation (especially in N-E region and parts of States of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh)
- Accidental fires by careless visitors to forests e.g. Throwing of torchwood, cigarette or coal pieces
- Burning the field or grass lands adjacent to forest
- Accidental spread of fire in the forest while burning fire lines departmentally.

# Forest Fire - Intentional

By Villagers – To

- Burn the undergrowth and grass to collect MFP.
- Charring the stumps for making charcoal.
- Scare away wild animals from nearby villages
- Induce new shoots of grass in summer by burning dry grass

# FOREST FIRE - CLASSIFICATION

## ON BASIS OF PLACE OF ACTION

### ➤ Creeping fire :

Spreading slowly over the ground with low flame -  
No damage to ground cover or undergrowth

### ➤ Ground fire :

Burns the ground cover - Burns organic material of  
forest floor and underlying soil

# CLASSIFICATION...

- Surface fire : Burns ground cover and undergrowth - Burns surface litter, loose debris and small vegetation
- Crown fire : Spreads through the crown of trees – consumes all or part of upper branches and foliage

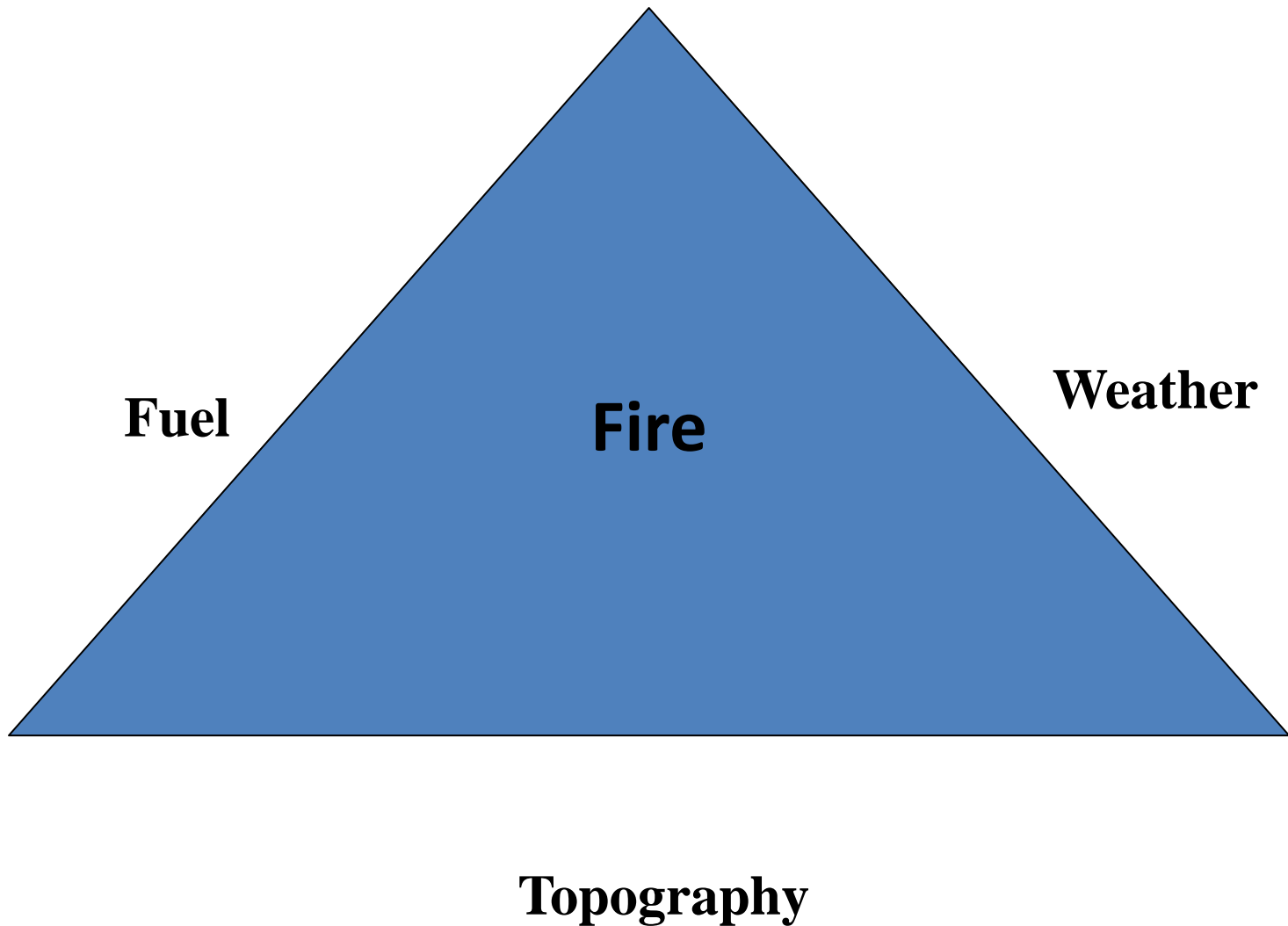
# Factors Responsible – Fire triangle

- Weather
  - Temperature
  - Wind
  - Humidity
- Inflammable material
  - Grass, dry leaves, dry fallen wood
  - Early burning
  - Green grass cover before fire environment
  - Departmental operation during winters
  - Resin tapping
  - Sawn timber in coniferous forest

# Factors Responsible for Fire...

- Topography
  - Altitude and aspect
  - S & SW aspect (Hotter and drier)
  - Lower altitude (More risk of fire)
  - Chir forest and fir forest
  - Spreads fast traveling up on hill slope

# FIRE ENVIRONMENT TRIANGLE



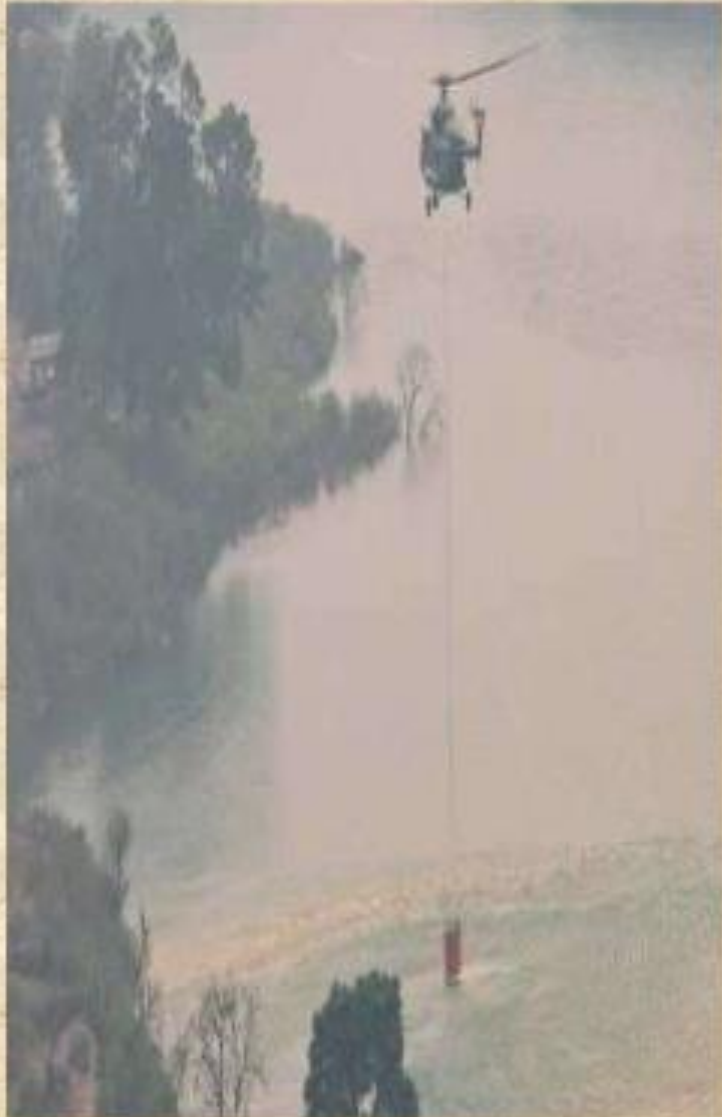
## MANAGEMENT OF FOREST FIRE IN UTTARAKHAND

- There are **two** types of methods:-
  1. Traditional method
  2. Modern method

### **1. Traditional method :**

- Forest officials say the traditional method of **“beating the fire down”** with green branches & **‘Fire Breaks’** work best.

## 2. MODERN METHOD :-



- **NDRF, SDRF, PAC and the forest department**, were still on the ground to keep a watch on the situation.
- More modern systems of fire monitoring alongside traditional methods like maintaining fire lines, so there is a clearing between two forests to prevent the fire from spreading from one to the other.
- **IAF aircrafts fly sorties to dump water picked from the neighboring lakes.**
- The pine needles, the main fire hazard, need to be converted into a resource.

- Forest scientists have already developed different uses of chir pine needles for briquettes, compost, boards, tiles, etc.
- Modern fire-fighting techniques like the Early Forest Fire Detection Using **Radio-Acoustic Sounding System, Doppler radar**, etc.
- Use of modern forest fire detection and monitoring systems with help from the **Forest Survey of India (FSI) and ISRO**.
- Creating awareness among locals along with their participation, can be a better solution.

# Forest Fire Management Strategy

➤ Forest Department is working on following levels :

- \* **Pre fire** : Preparatory planning for fire control through fire prone and sensitive area maps and reports, Pre-fire Alert/Warning by FSI;
- \* **During fire**: Near real time active fire detection and monitoring through Uttarakhand Forest Portal over BHUVAN
- \* **Post fire**: Warnings/alerts through e-mail, SMS and presently working on Damage assessment and Mitigation strategy.

➤ During fire season Information Technology and Geoinformatics Centre (ITGC)/IT Cell has been playing an important role in supporting forest divisions in planning process by providing maps of most sensitive areas, pre fire alerts, Near real time fire alerts from BHUVAN and location of fire incidences through SMS, email and WhatsApp Messenger. Active forest fires are detected from the satellite images and the information is uploaded daily to the forest department website - ([www.forest.uk.gov.in](http://www.forest.uk.gov.in)).

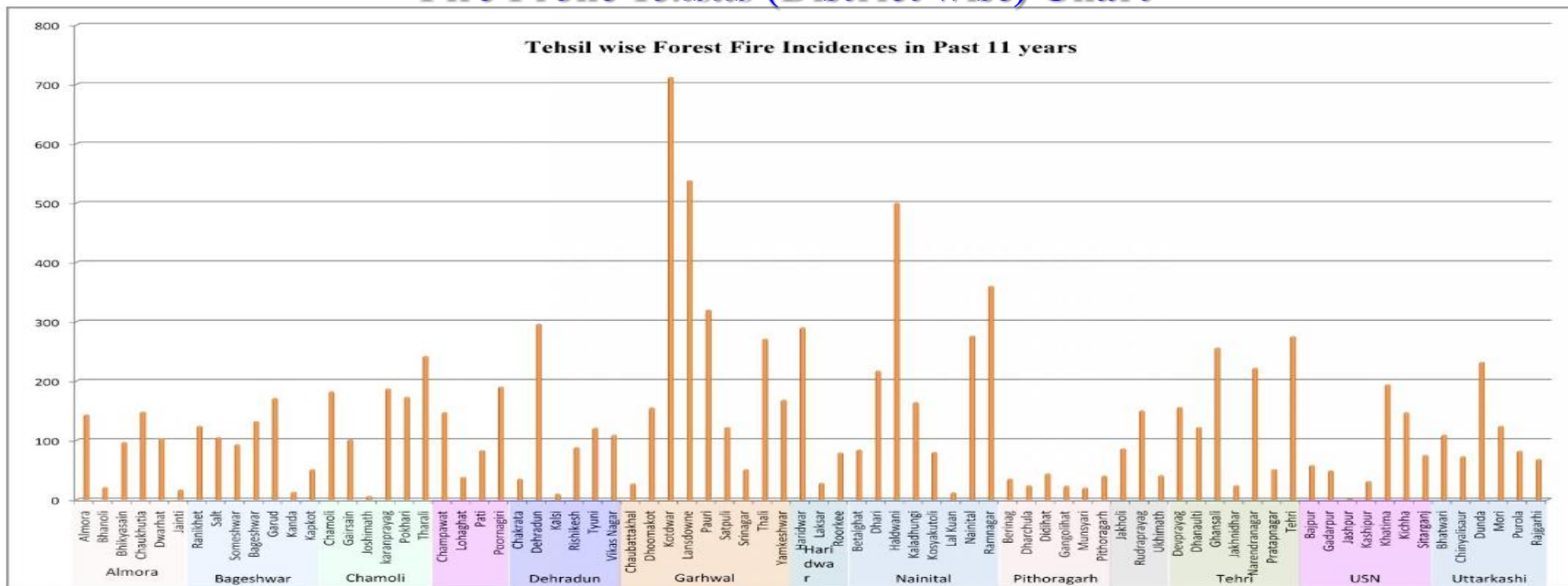
➤ ITGC/IT Cell is having collaboration with various agencies such as NRSC, FSI, IIRS , IMD and have a tie-up with NASA that support in providing fire points and weather forecast on daily basis.

# Forest Fire Management Strategy/ SOP –

## A. Mapping of Fire Sensitive Areas (Before fire season starts)-

- For the resource mobilisation and planning purpose the maps of most fire sensitive areas were made and fire prone Districts and *Tehsils* were also identified and put on a chart. Division wise such maps or chart are made and put forth for fire management plans.
- This information is then sent to each Forest Division and District Administration through email, SMS, WhatsApp messenger and uploaded on Website for public notification.

### Fire Prone *Tehsils* (District wise) Chart



Based on 10 year point incidences

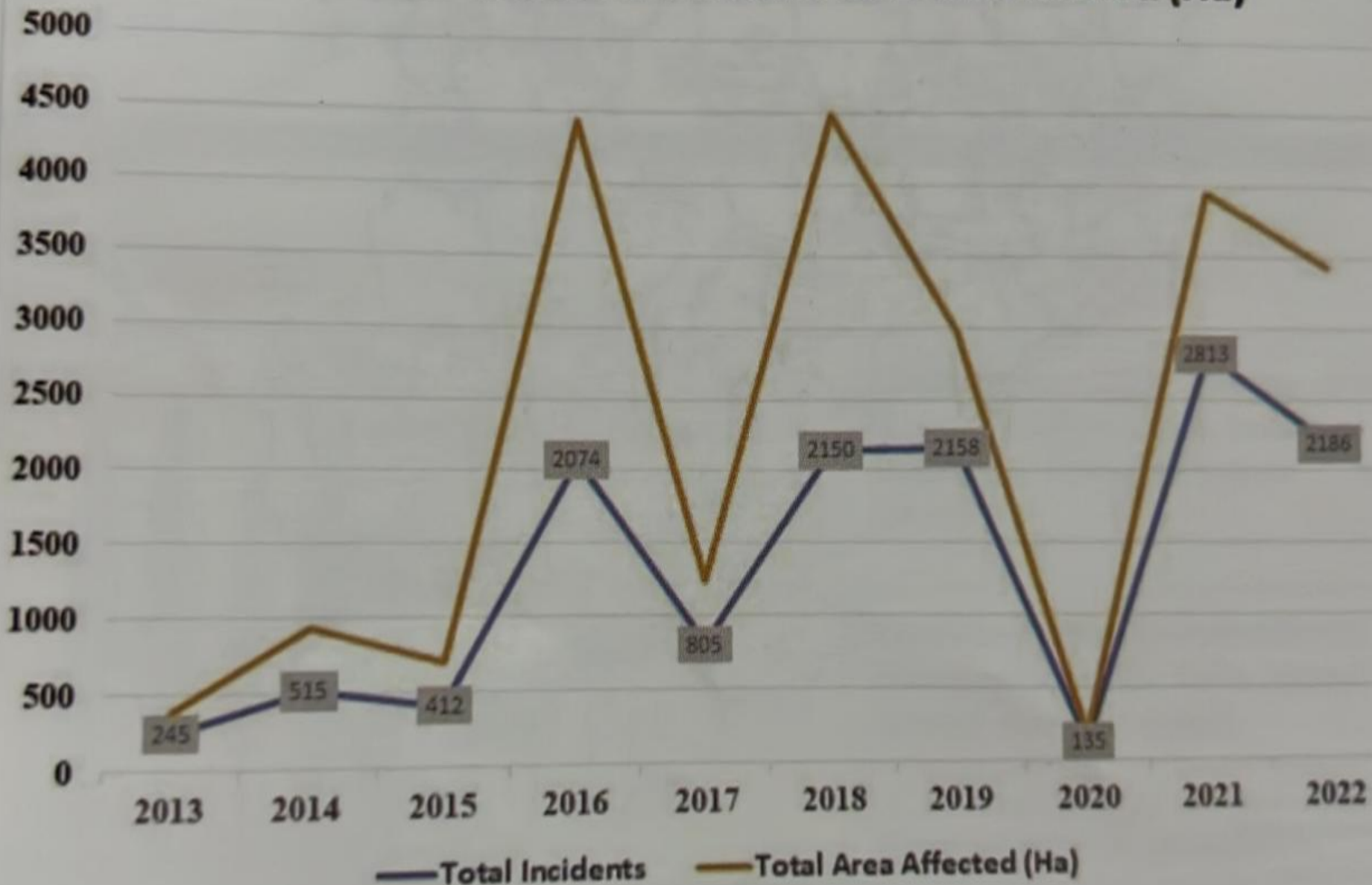
# District Wise Fire Incidences- 2022

District	Incident No. In RF	Incident No. In Civil Soyam / Van Panchayat	Total Incidents	Affected RF Area (Ha)	Affected Civil Soyam / Van Panchayat Area (Ha)	Total Affected Area (Ha)
Almora	297	114	411	670.65	233.4	904.05
Bageshwar	150	16	166	212.17	24.61	236.78
Chamoli	105	42	147	120.6	51.8	172.4
Champawat	71	12	83	43.34	9.1	52.44
Dehradun	59	9	68	79.75	7.55	87.3
Haridwar	21	0	21	215.3	0	215.3
Nainital	133	7	140	135.25	1.55	136.8
Pauri Garhwal	194	183	377	429	261.65	690.65
Pithoragarh	67	139	206	109	206.5	315.5
Rudraprayag	83	55	138	102.4	59.5	161.9
Tehri Garhwal	192	32	224	213.85	33.6	247.45
Jdham Singh Nagar	4	0	4	1.28	0	1.28
Uttarkashi	190	11	201	193.55	9.65	203.2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1566</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>2186</b>	<b>2526.14</b>	<b>898.91</b>	<b>3425.05</b>



Year	Incidents No. in RF	Incidents No. in Civil Soyam/ Van Panchayat	Total Incidents	Affected RF Area (Ha)	Affected Civil Soyam/ Van Panchayat Area (Ha)	Total Area Affected (Ha)	Evaluation of Losses (In Rs.)	Human Death	Human injury
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2013	177	68	245	274.45	109.60	384.05	439387		
2014	405	110	515	729.33	201.00	930.33	2357707	1	7
2015	332	80	412	585.65	115.96	701.61	794356		
2016	1330	744	2074	2826.25	1607.50	4433.75	4650000	6	31
2017	500	305	805	727.24	517.40	1244.64	1834000		1
2018	1498	652	2150	2657.14	1822.90	4480.04	8605375		6
2019	1641	517	2158	2202.35	779.2	2981.55	5592587.5	1	15
2020	73	62	135	68.33	104.36	172.69	456855	2	1
2021	1835	978	2813	2552.55	1391.33	3943.88	10603439	2	3
2022	1566	620	2186	2526.14	898.91	3425.05	8925638.5	2	7

### 2013 To 2022 Total Fire Incident Vs Area Affected (Ha)





# Crew Station (CS) Vs Master Control Room (MCR)

## CS

- CS have only wireless handsets, modern fire fighting tools and some 3 to 5 crew members.

## MCR

- MCR have full fledged wireless base station set, digital hydro-thermometer, rain guage and more crew members(4 to 6), more fire fighting tools, search lights, medicine kits etc.

- Nesterov index

$$N = \sum_{i=1}^W (t_i - D_i) \times t_i$$

where,

N= Nesterov index

w= number of days since the last rainfall > 3mm

t= temperature °C

D= dew point temperature °C

- The index requires daily observations of temperature, dew point temperature and precipitation. The difference between daily temperature and dew point temperature and cumulatively added over the days since the last rainfall. Thus the index increases each day until a rainfall of more than 3mm occurs, at which the index drops back to zero and the process begin again. The system is divided into different fire danger levels

## FIRE DANGER LEVELS

<b>NIL</b>	<b>0--- 300</b>
<b>MODERATE</b>	<b>301--- 1000</b>
<b>HIGH</b>	<b>1001--- 4000</b>
<b>Extreme</b>	<b>&gt;4001</b>

- The Dew Point is daily measured on the basis of report received about daily temperature and Humidity percent in field stations of various ranges of the division.
- A computer software Ezair 135.exe is used to calculate Dew Point and on the basis of dew point temperature and daily temperature reading at 1 P.M and on basis of date on which rain more than 3mm held in different ranges FIRE DANGER INDEX is calculated by using computer and not only daily record is mentioned but also various crew stations are accordingly informed about their required preventive measures which should be carried out in advance.

# **Forest Fire Management Strategy/ SOP –**

## **B. Pre Fire Alerts/Warnings – Source Data : FSI**

- The prediction of weather in the tropical regions, like India, is a major challenge due to the complex and dynamic nature weather system. The day to day changes of weather elements such as rainfall, temperature, wind speed and humidity are the important meteorological parameters to be monitored on a continuous basis.
- Pre-fire alerts based on historical data to capture intent or traditions.
- A report is then generated in Excel format showing Circles, Division, Block, Beat up to compartment level, where the warning of forest fire is predicted.
- This information is further disseminated to the concern Divisions through e-mail, SMS, WhatsApp messenger for necessary actions and also uploaded to the departmental website for the public notification.

## **Pre Fire Warning/Alert by FSI**

In 2016 fire season Forest Survey of India (FSI) has initiated a pre warning alert system for Forest Fires based on following parameters:

1. Forest Cover
2. Forest Type
3. Temperature
4. Recent Fire Signals
5. Rainfall

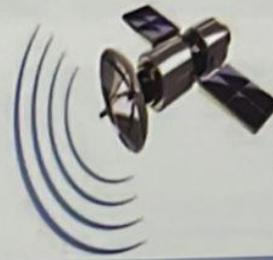
FSI has developed a suitable algorithm for prefire warning/alert system where the above mentioned parameters are being used and forest areas with higher risk of fire can be predicted.

FSI sends pre forest fire alerts through email to Information Technology and Geoinformatics Centre (ITGC). After processing ITGC disseminates the information to the concerned officers.

# Near Real Time Forest Fire Monitoring (MODIS & SNPP-VIIRS)



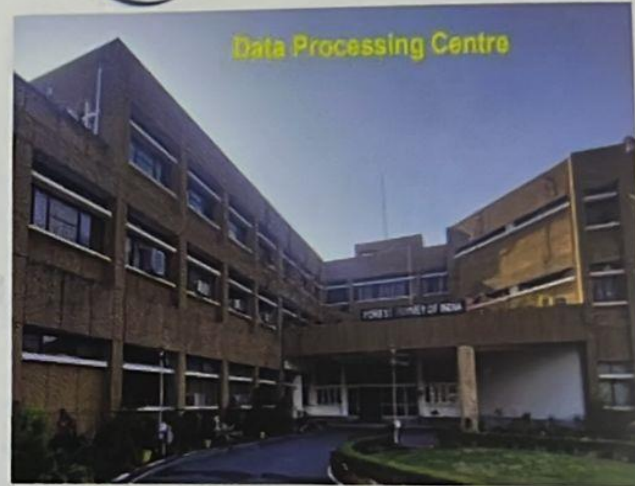
Signals Received by Satellite



Signals Transmitted to Earth Station



Data Receiving Centre (NRSC)



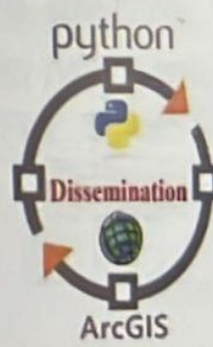
Feedback to FSI

Suppression and Mitigation of Forest Fires

- Alerts to State Forest Department
- Alerts to Subscribers
- Large Forest Fire

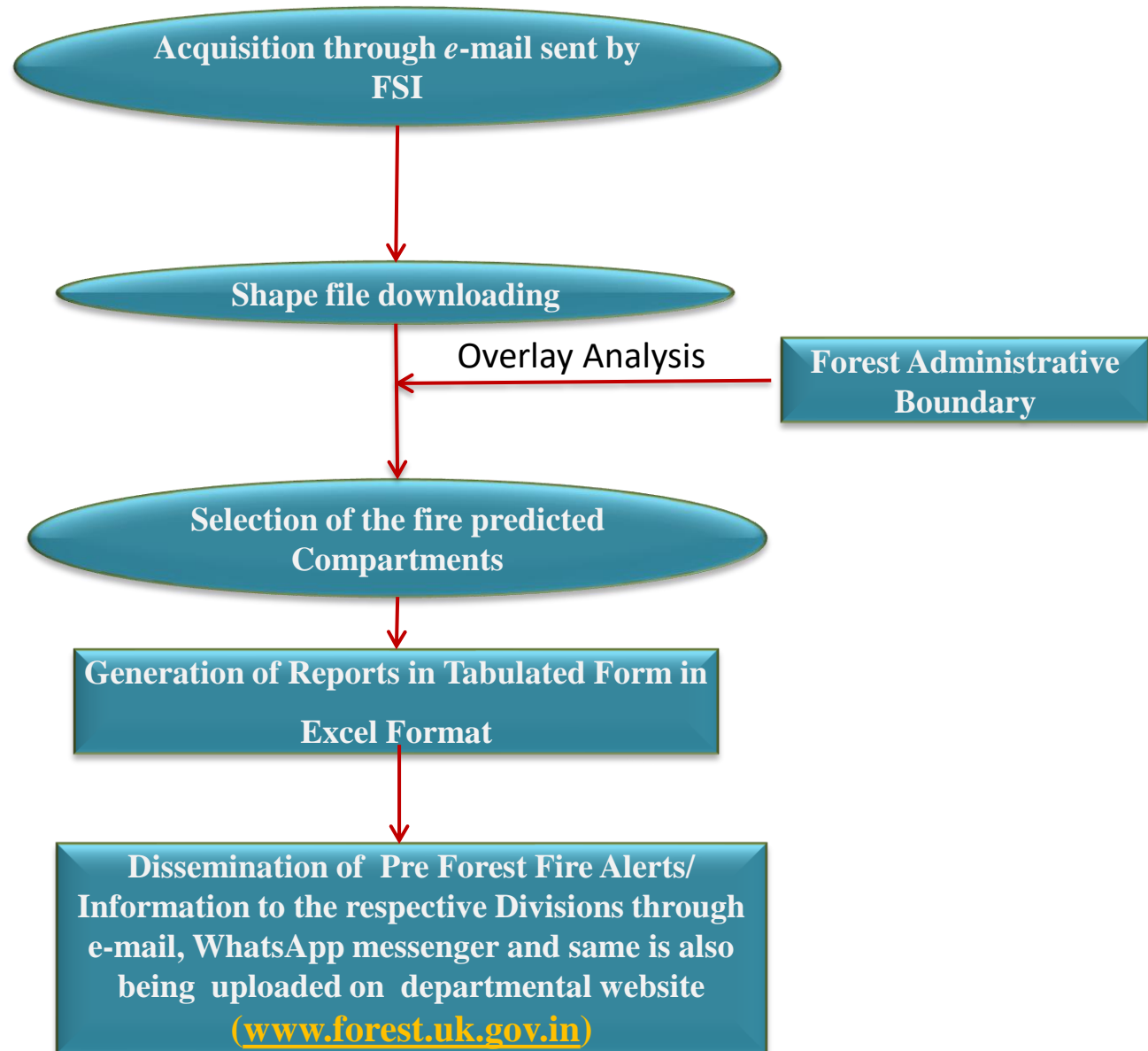


FSI Van Agni Geo-Portal



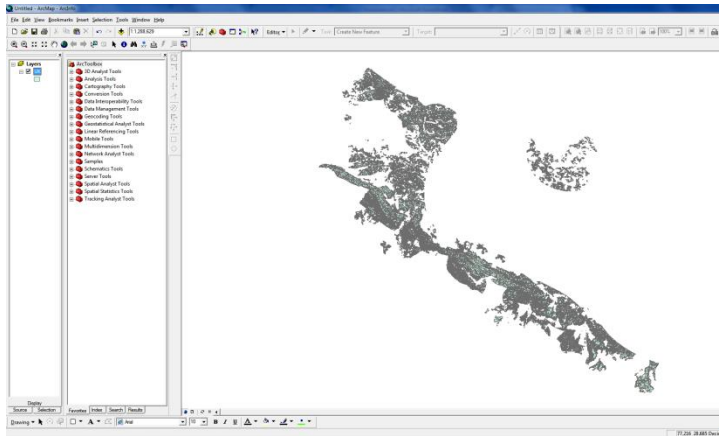
Automated Processing

# Methodology of Processing of Pre Fire Alerts

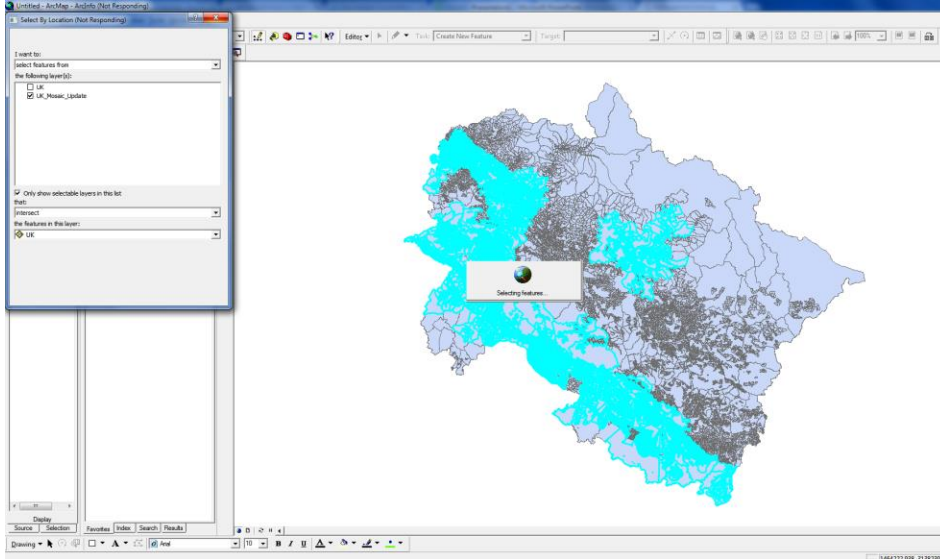
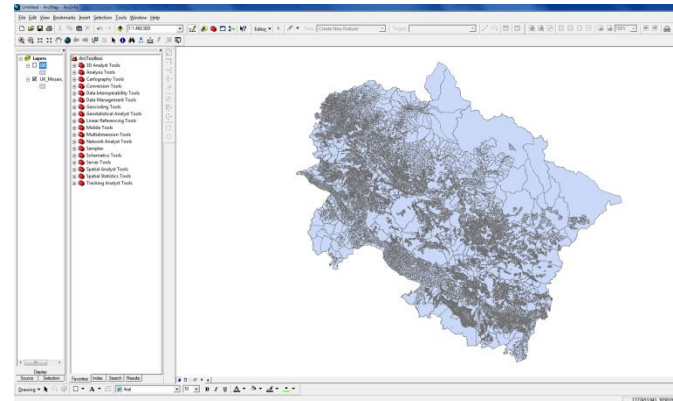


# Pre Fire Alerts processing at ITGC

Data Received From FSI



UK administrative Boundaries in ITGC



A screenshot of the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet showing the final table generated for dissemination. The table has columns for CIRCLE, DIVISION, RANGE, BEAT, BLOCK, and COMPART. The data is organized into rows, with the first 18 rows representing various administrative units and the remaining rows representing specific beats and blocks within those units.

CIRCLE	DIVISION	RANGE	BEAT	BLOCK	COMPART
1	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	Bap
2	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	2
3	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	3
4	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	4
5	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	5
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9	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	9
10	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	10
11	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	11
12	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	12
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14	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Bap	14
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19	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Gup	1
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24	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Gup	6a
25	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Gup	6b
26	Bhograha Circle	Narandranaga Forest Division	Sakina Chamba	Gup	Kaigad
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Overlay Analysis at ITGC using GIS Software

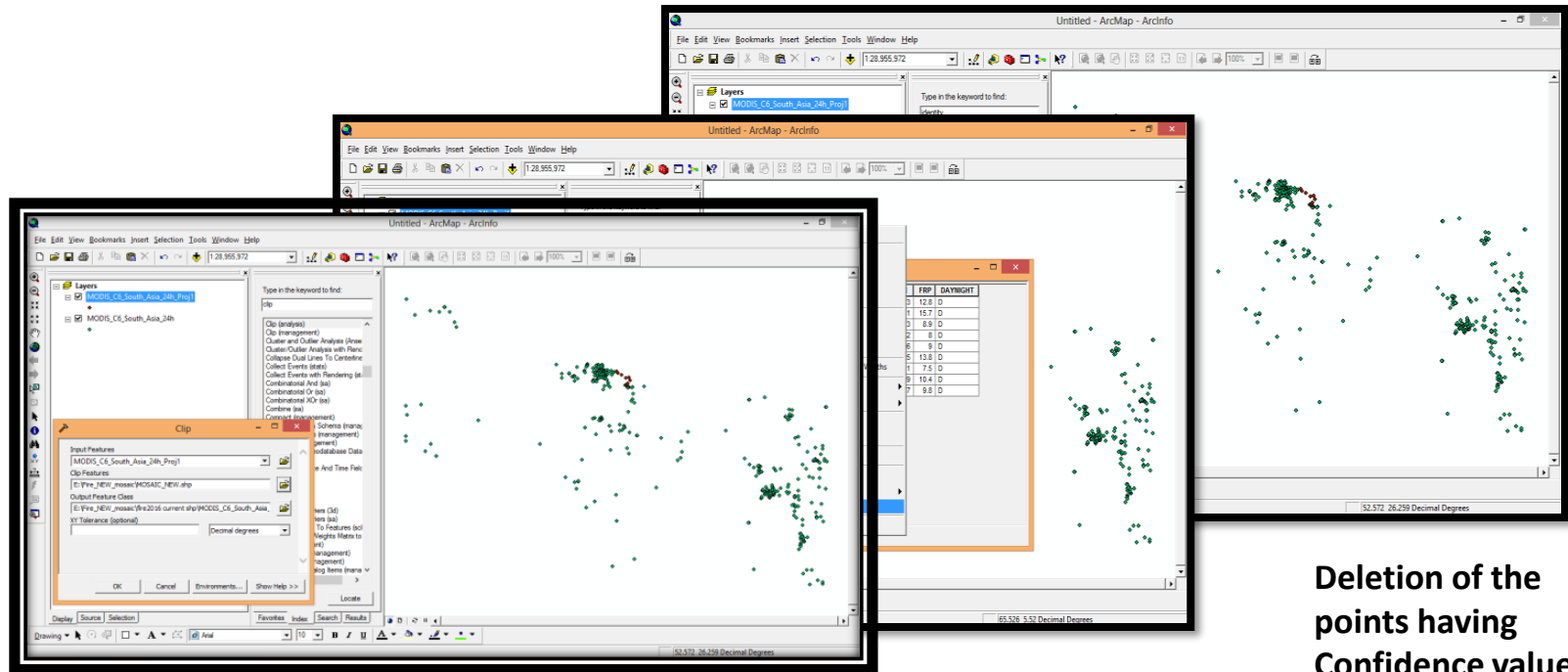
Final Table generation for Dissemination

# **Forest Fire Management Strategy**

## **A. Processing of Fire information at ITGC and its Dissemination**

- Downloading the fire incidences from NASA-ISRO-FSI
- Processing of the information to get details in **Reserve Forest** (Report generated contains following information:- **Latitude, Longitude, Circle, Division, Range, Block, Beat, Compartment**)
- Processing of the information to get details of **Outside Reserve Forest** (Report generated contains following information:- **Latitude, Longitude, District, Tehsil, Development Block, Villages**)
- Daily Dissemination of Map and Report at 11:30 AM and at 4:30 PM.
- Same is uploaded over Website and FIRMS (Fire information for Resource Management System) online Application

# Overlay Analysis and providing Identity to each fire point using GIS database of Uttarakhand State



Selection of Points falling over Uttarakhand State

Selection of the Points having temperature over 45 degrees temperature

Deletion of the points having Confidence value 0

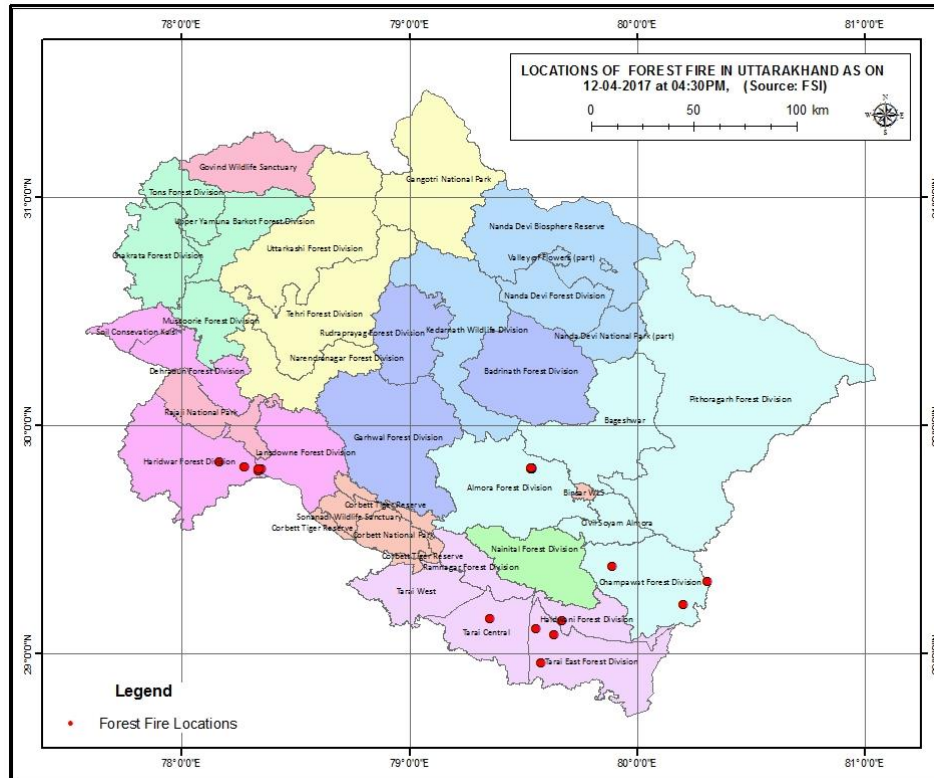
# Final Report for RF of Active/Post Fire Points:

## ITGC:O/oPCCF

Active Fire Alert in Reserve Forest as on 12-04-2017 at 04:30PM

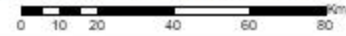
Source FSI

S.No	Latitude	Longitude	CIRCLE	DIVISION	RANGE	BEAT	BLOCK	COMPART
1	28.9589	79.5778	Western Circle	Tarai East Forest Division	Barakoli Range	Dhora Dam Beat	Barakoli-B Block	Dhora
2	29.0822	79.6347	Western Circle	Tarai East Forest Division	Kishanpur Range	Horai South Beat	Horai Block	2
3	29.1081	79.5567	Western Circle	Tarai East Forest Division	Gaula Range	Halduchaur Beat	Gaula Part	Gaula Part
4	29.1458	79.6706	Western Circle	Haldwani Forest Division	Nandhour Range	Asni Beat	Asni	5
5	29.1525	79.3508	Western Circle	Tarai Central	Pipalpadao Range	South East Gadgadiya Beat	South Gadgadiya Block	70
6	29.2153	80.2031	North Kumaon Circle	Champawat Forest Division	Champawat	Shim Beat	Shim	5
7	29.3139	80.3078	North Kumaon Circle	Champawat Forest Division	Champawat	Maurkot Beat	Pudaban	3a
8	29.3800	79.8911	North Kumaon Circle	Champawat Forest Division	DebiDhura	Bhaduliya Beat	Bhaduliya	5
9	29.7997	78.3333	Shivalik Circle	Lansdowne Forest Division	Laldang Range	Jaspur-II Beat	Sighdadi	7



Active Fire Alert Inside RF of Uttarakhand as on 21-06-2023 at 04:00 PM							Source: FSI	
S.No.	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	CIRCLE	DIVISION	RANGE	BEAT	BLOCK	COMPT NO
1	29.86875	79.28896	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	JAURASI RANGE	JAURASI LAKHANPUR BEAT	JAURASI LAKHANPUR	4
2	29.86875	79.28896	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	JAURASI RANGE	JAURASI LAKHANPUR BEAT	JAURASI LAKHANPUR	5
3	29.86875	79.28896	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	JAURASI RANGE	JAURASI LAKHANPUR BEAT	JAURASI LAKHANPUR	7
4	29.76444	79.18953	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	JAURASI RANGE	MANILA NORTH BEAT	MANILA	10
5	29.76444	79.18953	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	JAURASI RANGE	MANILA SOUTH BEAT	MANILA	11
6	29.79743	79.72746	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-I BEAT	PALARI	4
7	29.79743	79.72746	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-I BEAT	PALARI	5
8	29.79743	79.72746	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-I BEAT	PALARI	7
9	29.785	79.71378	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-II BEAT	PALARI	11
10	29.78563	79.71776	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-II BEAT	PALARI	11
11	29.785	79.71378	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-II BEAT	PALARI	12
12	29.77772	79.71101	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-II BEAT	PALARI	13
13	29.77772	79.71101	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAGESHWAR RANGE	PALARI-II BEAT	PALARI	14
14	29.84796	79.62209	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAIJNATH RANGE	KAUSANI BEAT	SARLA	Sarla Block
15	29.86596	79.69222	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	BAGESHWAR DIVISION	BAIJNATH RANGE	SHIKHARKOT-III BEAT	AKUWA BINASARI/SHIKHARKOT	31a
16	29.52563	79.66284	SOUTH KUMAON CIRCLE	NAINITAL FOREST DIVISION	NORTH GOLA RANGE	KAPLESHWAR BEAT	KAPLESHWAR BLOCK	9
17	29.52563	79.66284	SOUTH KUMAON CIRCLE	NAINITAL FOREST DIVISION	NORTH GOLA RANGE	KAPLESHWAR BEAT	KAPLESHWAR BLOCK	10
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ACTIVE FIRE ALERT OUTSIDE RF OF UTTARAKHAND  
AS ON 27-05-2020 at 11:30 AM, Source : FSI



**Legend**

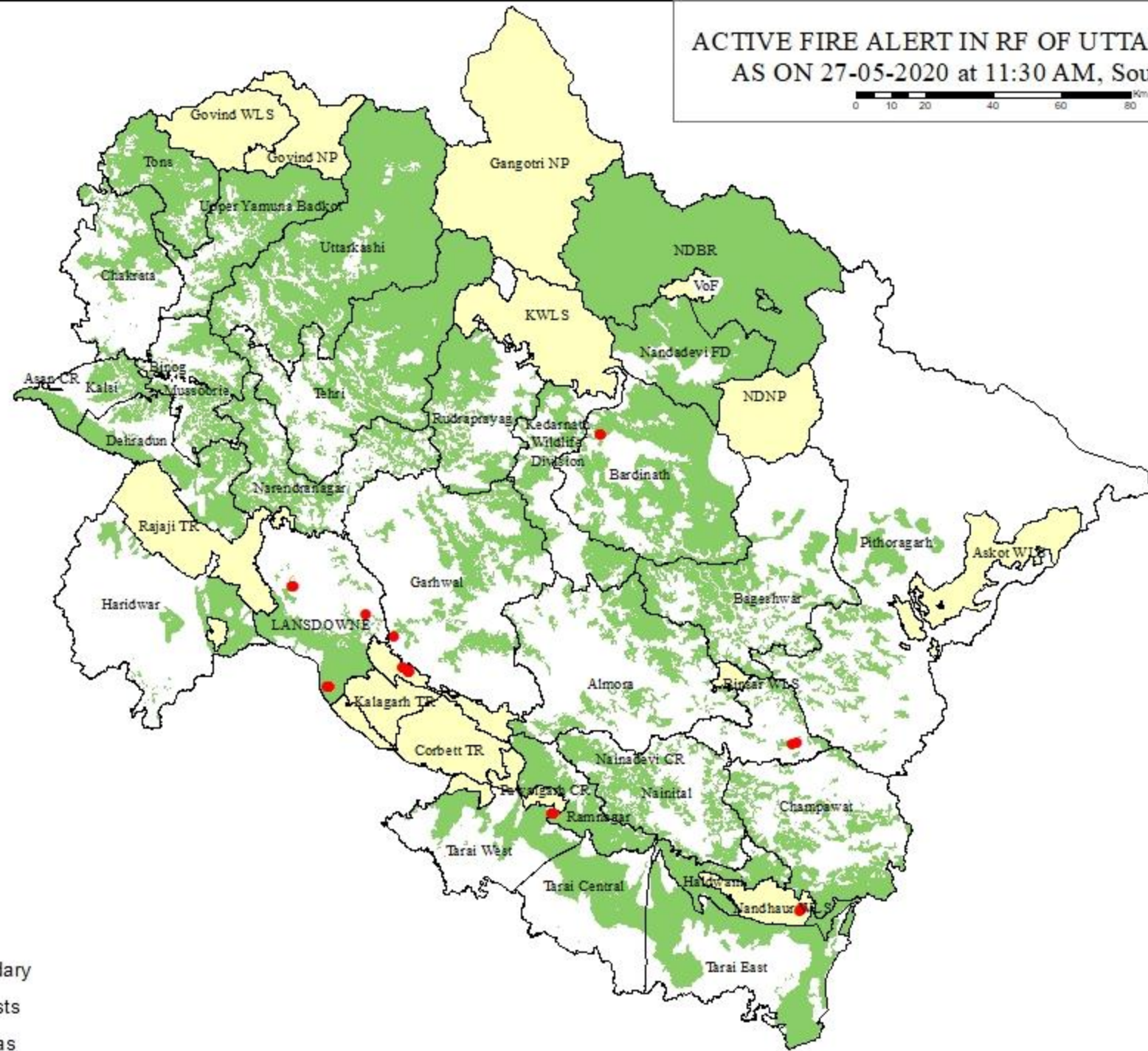
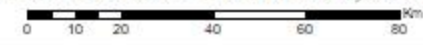
Detected Fire

District Boundary

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ACTIVE FIRE ALERT IN RF OF UTTARAKHAND  
AS ON 27-05-2020 at 11:30 AM, Source : FSI



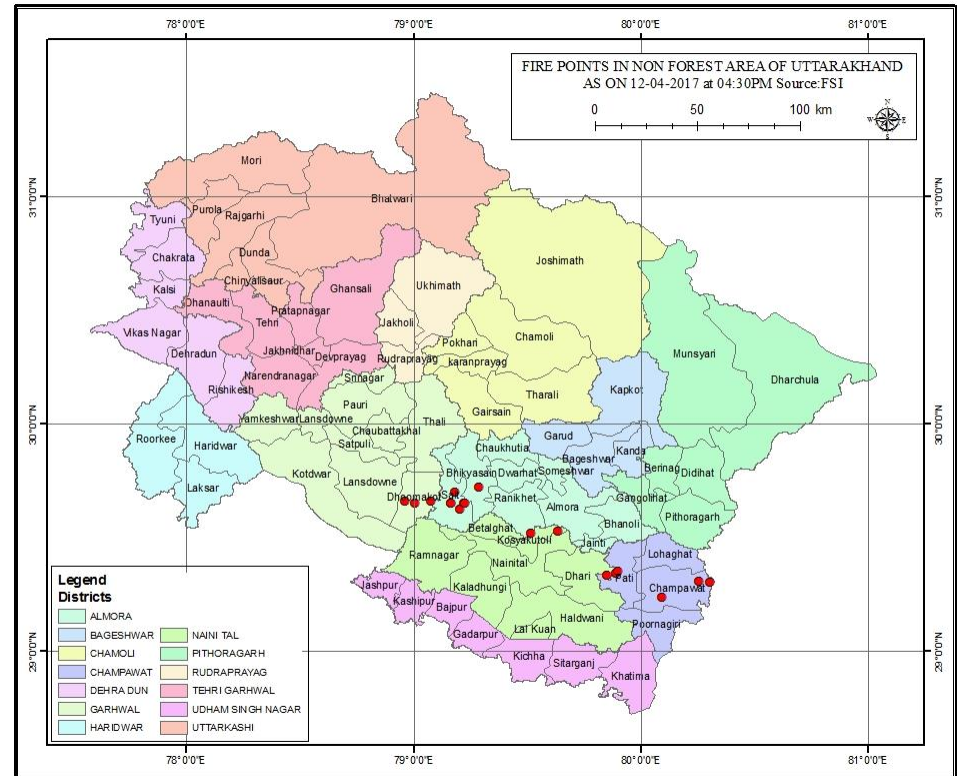
- Legend**
- Detected Fire
  - Division Boundary
  - Reserve Forests
  - Protected Areas

# Final Report for Non RF of Active/Post Fire Points:

Table - Showing Fire Locations

Active Fire Alert as on 12-04-2017 at 04:30PM				
S.No	Latitude	Longitude	DISTRICT	TEHSIL
1	29.2389	80.0917	CHAMPAWAT	Champawat
2	29.3025	80.3025	CHAMPAWAT	Champawat
3	29.3050	80.2542	CHAMPAWAT	Champawat
4	29.3342	79.8517	NAINI TAL	Dhari
5	29.3444	79.8900	CHAMPAWAT	Pati
6	29.3528	79.8967	NAINI TAL	Dhari
7	29.5183	79.5136	ALMORA	Ranikhet
8	29.5286	79.6333	NAINI TAL	Kosyakutoli
9	29.6242	79.2047	ALMORA	Salt
10	29.6489	79.2225	ALMORA	Bhikyasain
11	29.6494	79.1636	ALMORA	Salt
12	29.6497	79.1647	ALMORA	Salt
13	29.6497	79.2269	ALMORA	Bhikyasain
14	29.6503	79.0047	GARHWAL	Dhoomakot
15	29.6594	79.0767	GARHWAL	Dhoomakot
16	29.6606	78.9592	GARHWAL	Dhoomakot
17	29.6997	79.1814	ALMORA	Salt
18	29.7217	79.2864	ALMORA	Bhikyasain
<b>Source:FSI</b>				

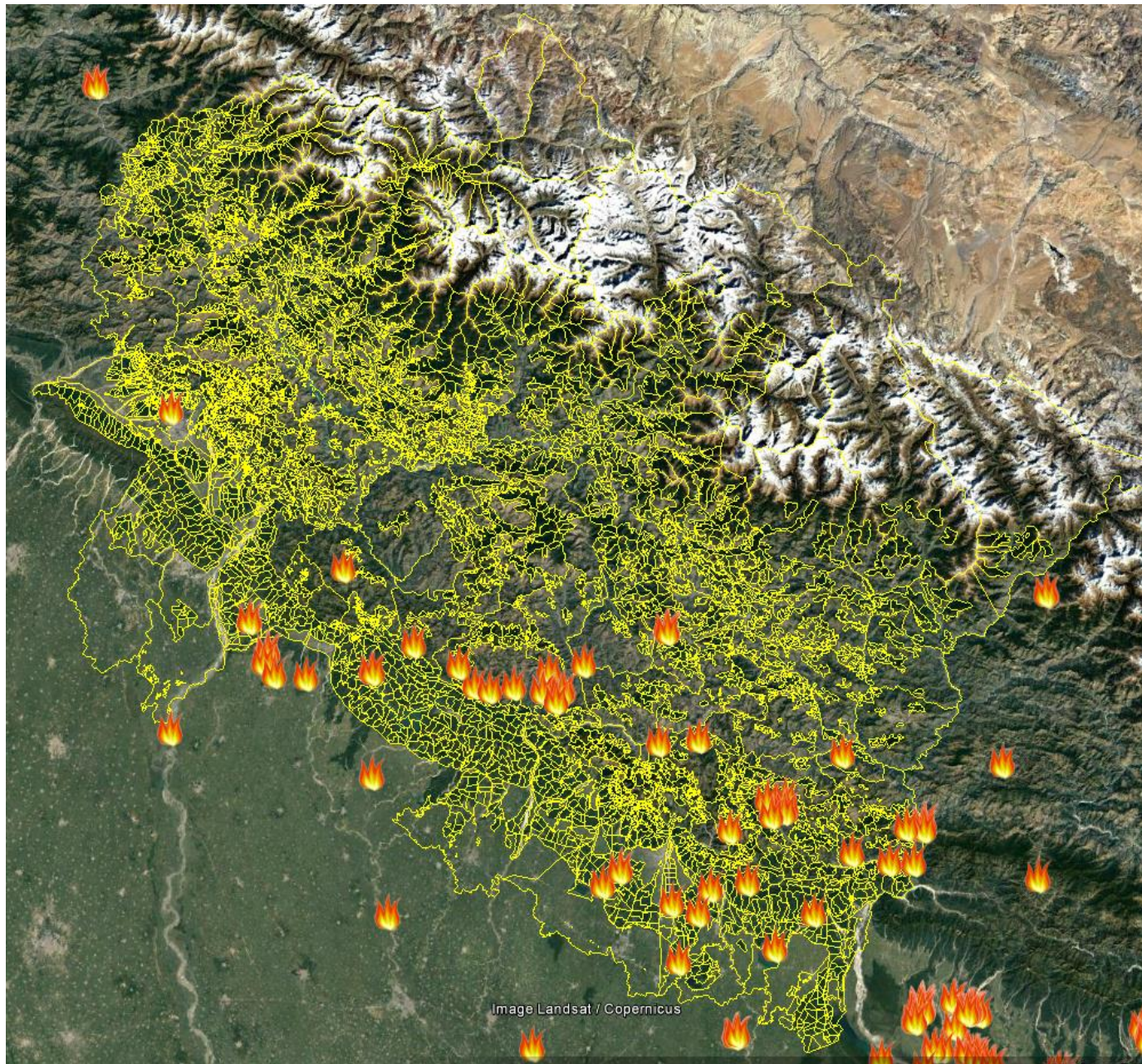
Map – Showing Fire Points/Location



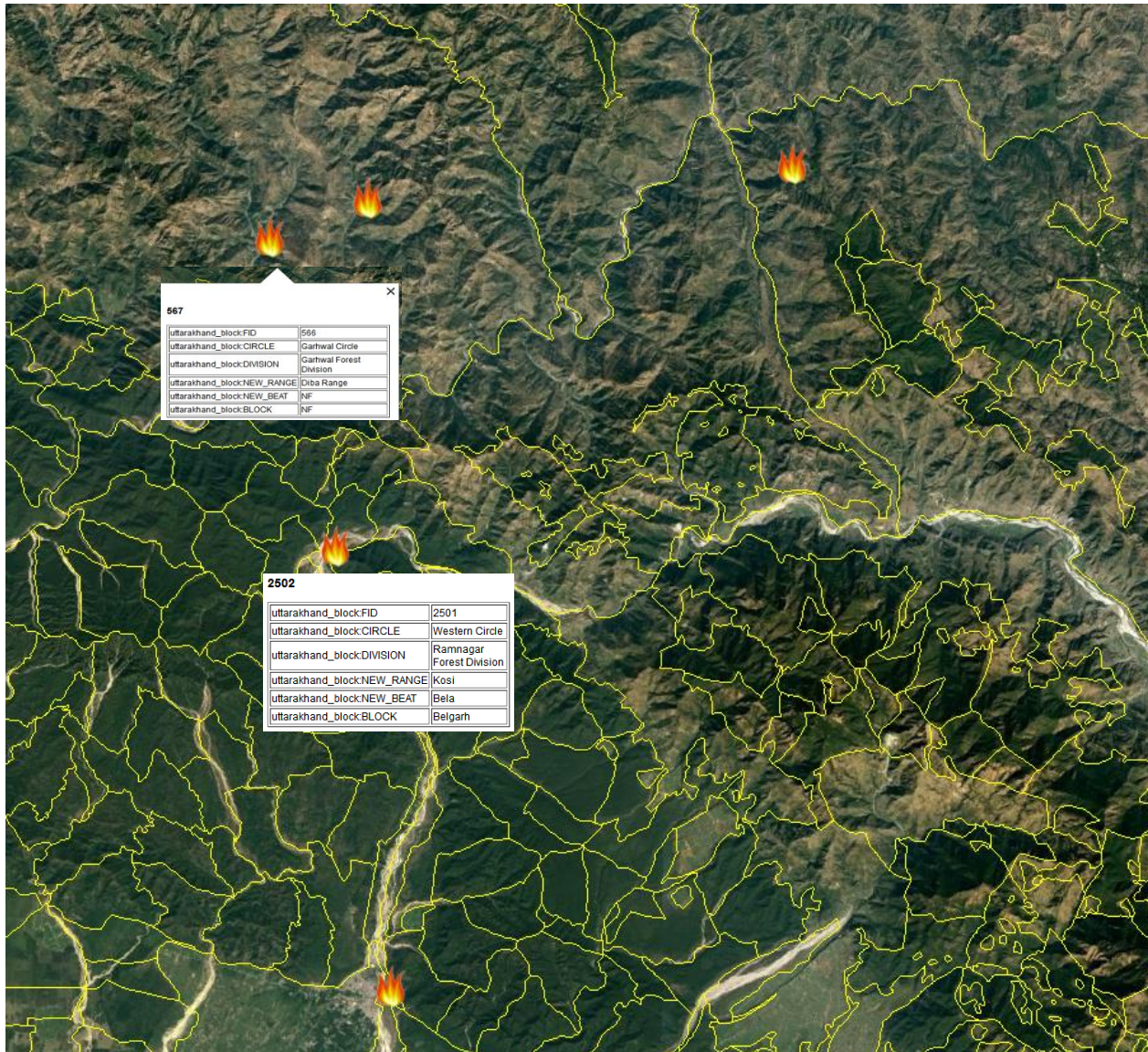
## **Further incorporation Capabilities of ITGC of UKFD**

- **Up to Village level information**
- **Nearest Crew Station, Watch Tower**
- **Nearest Settlement (up to 2 km from fire spot)**

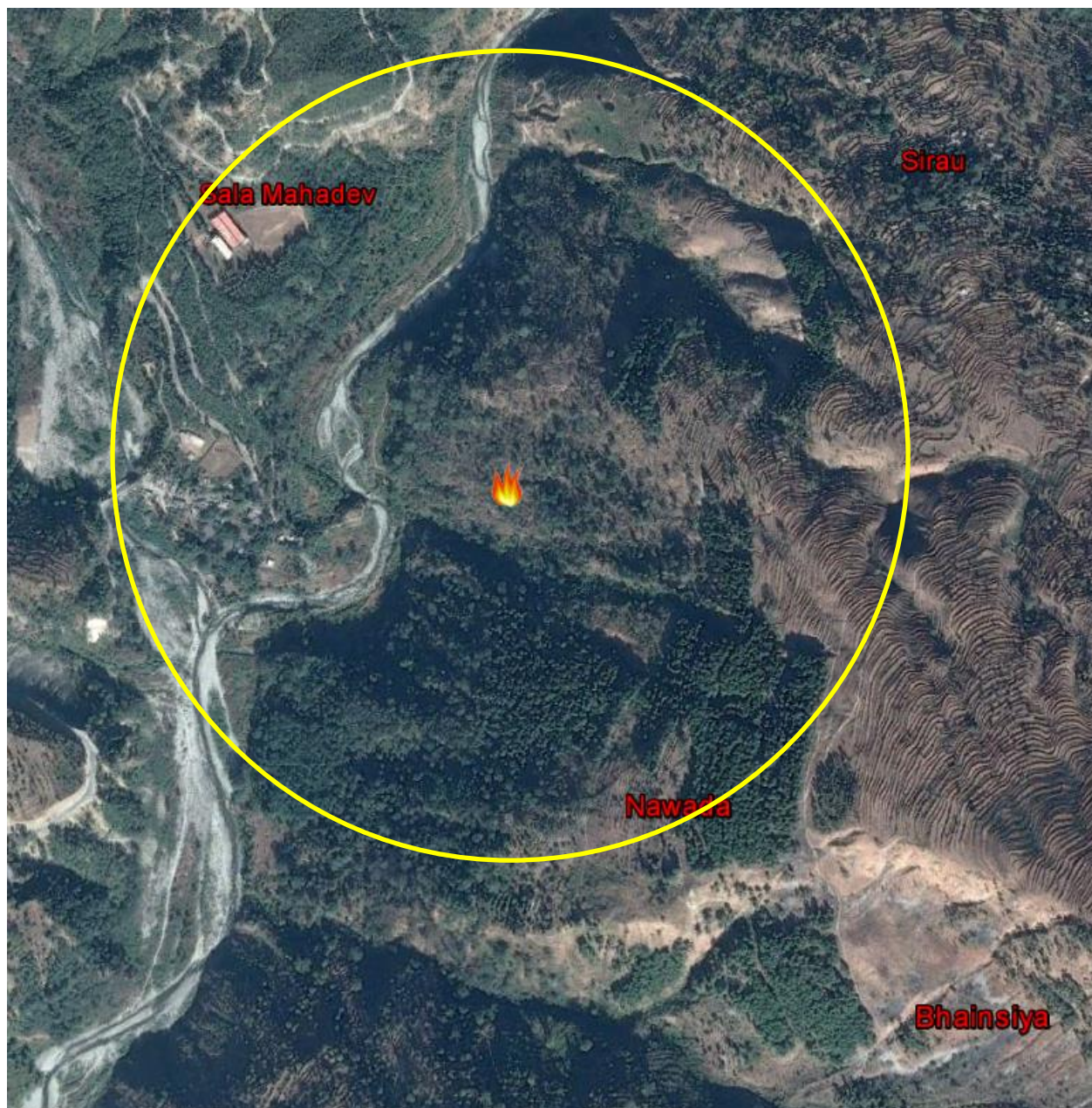
# Fire Point Acquired from NASA & overlaid over Uttarakhand mosaic



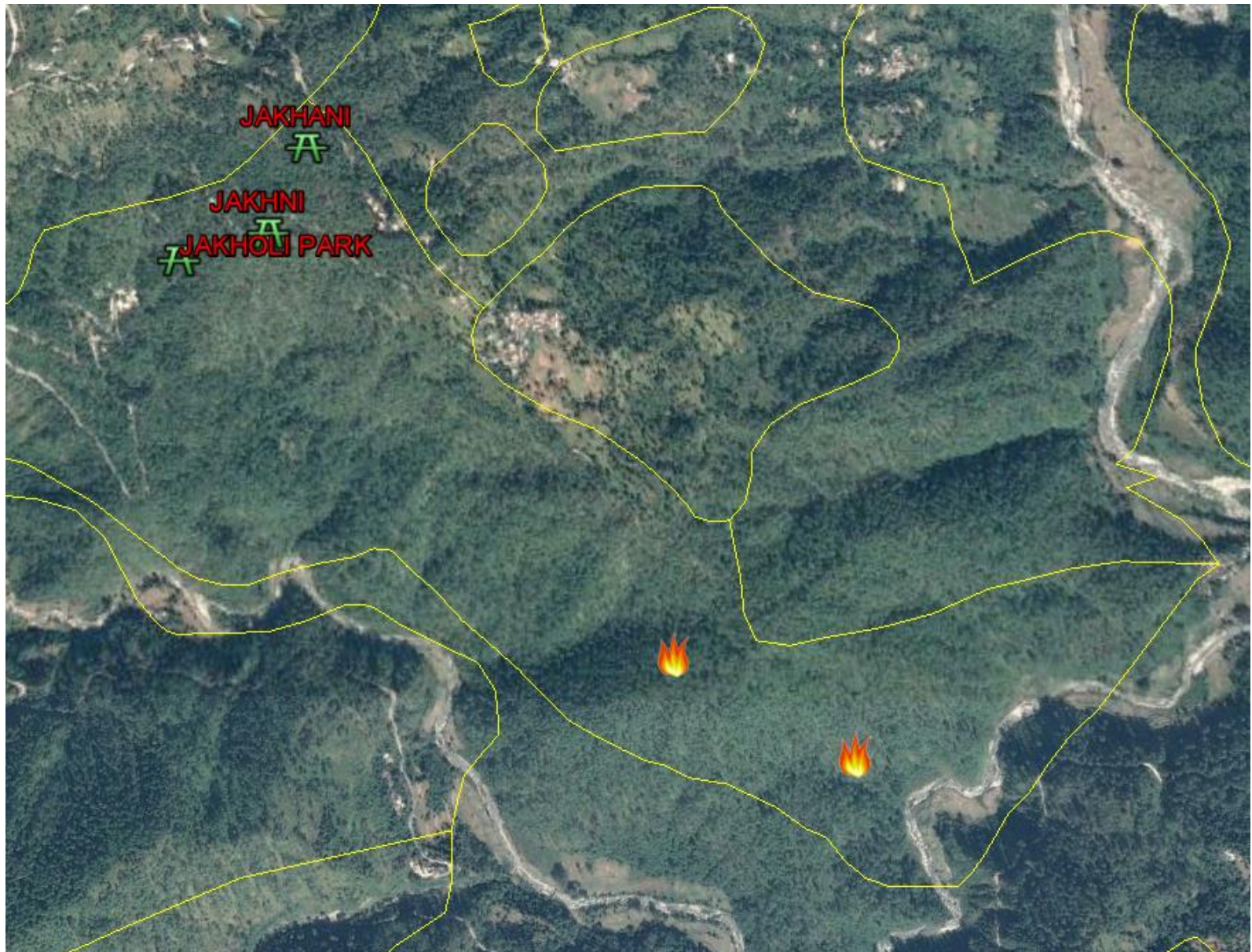
# KML showing Fire alerts in Reserve Forest area & outside Reserve Forest Area



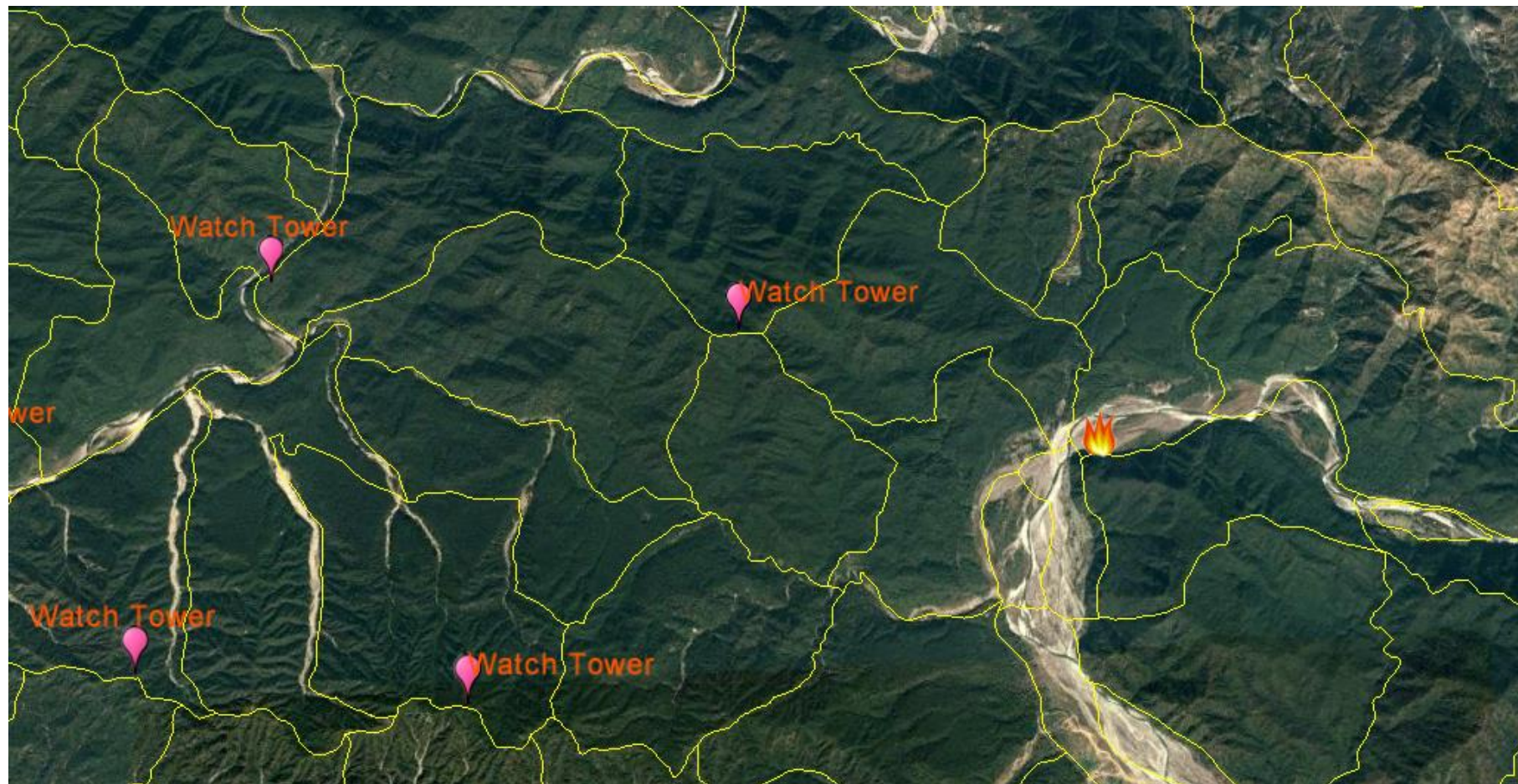
## KML showing settlement within 1KM buffer of Fire Point



## Nearest Crew Station from Active Fire point



## Nearest Watch Tower from Active Fire point



# Active Large Fire in Uttarakhand detected by FSI as on 12-05-2023

Source: FSI

S.No.	LAT	LON	FIRE NAME	CIRCLE	DIVISION	RANGE	BLOCK	BEAT	ACTIVE SINCE
1	29.80788	80.33493	ASKOT -3	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	EAST GHANDHURA BEAT	1 DAY
	29.80788	80.33493		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	NF	1 DAY
	29.80835	80.32716		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	NF	1 DAY
	29.81083	80.33548		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	EAST GHANDHURA BEAT	1 DAY
	29.81135	80.32772		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	EAST GHANDHURA BEAT	1 DAY
	29.81135	80.32772		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	NF	1 DAY
	29.81135	80.32772		NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	PITHORAGARH FOREST DIVISION	ASKOT RANGE	ASKOT RANGE	WEST GHANDHURA BEAT	1 DAY

# Forest Fire Management Strategy

## B. Extensive use of Uttarakhand Forest BHUVAN Portal

- BHUVAN is a Geo-portal of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Showcasing Indian Imaging Capabilities in Multi-sensor, Multi-platform and Multi-temporal domain. The Portal gives a gateway to explore and discover virtual earth in 3D space with specific emphasis on Indian Region.
- Apart from visualization BHUVAN provides **timely disaster support services** (domestic and international, free satellite data and a products download facility and rich thematic datasets BHUVAN is using a crowdsourcing approach to enrich its maps and collect point of interest data. It also acts as a platform for hosting government data (example - Uttarakhand Forest Department GIS Database).
- Daily NEAR REAL-TIME day & night TERRA/AQUA MODIS based active forest fire alerts are generated and disseminated via BHUVAN.
- Recently on step ahead NRSC has initiated a refine resolutions for fire monitoring using, 750m and 375m for “Suomi National Polar-Orbiting Partnership (SNPP), Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite (VIIRS)” satellite data, over UTTARAKHAND FOREST BHUVAN PORTAL .
- Fire locations represent centre of pixel of detection. S-NPP VIIRS 375m product is experimental but detects the small fires efficiently.

# Procedure to view Active Fire Alerts in BHUVAN Portal

## STEP-1

Url to reach BHUVAN Portal-[https://bhuvan.nrsc.gov.in/bhuvan\\_links.php#](https://bhuvan.nrsc.gov.in/bhuvan_links.php#)

The screenshot displays the BHUVAN Portal homepage. At the top, the browser address bar shows the URL [https://bhuvan.nrsc.gov.in/bhuvan\\_links.php#](https://bhuvan.nrsc.gov.in/bhuvan_links.php#). The page header includes the BHUVAN logo (Indian Geo-Platform of ISRO) and the National Remote Sensing Centre logo. A navigation bar contains links for NRSC, Search, Bhuvan Store, and Bhuvan Collaborators.

The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Visualisation & Free Download:** Includes links for Bhuvan-2D, Bhuvan-3D, Open Data Archive (Free Download), and Climate Environment (EO derived Products).
- Maps & OGC services:** Includes links for Thematic Services, Disaster Services, Ocean Services, and Create a Map / GIS (My Map | My GIS).
- Governance/Central Ministries g-Governance Dashboard:** Features icons for Island Information, School Bhuvan, Toll Information, Ground Water, Pipeline Grid, Watersheds, and Urban Survey.
- Application Sectors:** Lists Agriculture, Forestry, E-Governance, Water, Tourism, Urban, and Rural.
- E-Governance:** Includes Decentralised Planning.
- Special Applications:** Includes Data Discovery, Decision Support Dashboard, Hydrological Products, International Disasters, IRS Pass Quick Looks, Locate Satellites, MANU, and Multilingual Translation.

On the right side, there is a **State Portals/Applications** section with a map of India. A dropdown menu is set to **ANDHRA PRADESH**. Below the map, there are links for **Andhra Pradesh** and **Asset Mapping**. A list of **Updates** and **Download** links is provided, including: Hot Weather Outlook New, Bhuvan Training on Apr 03 - 04, 2017, Release of Telangana Water Resources Information System on 06 Aug 2016, Citizen Centric - Post Application, Recent Floods, Bhuvan Satellite Data as OGC Web Service, and g-Governance: Dashboard.

At the bottom, there is a footer with the text: © Bhuvan: ISRO/NRSC, 2014, Discussion Forum, Last Updated: 21-Feb-2017, Icons powered by FlatIcon.com, Contact us, and Terms.





# STEP-2

In APPLICATION sector ,Left click **Forestry Tab** & again left click **UTTARAKHAND TAB**





FORESTRY TAB

UTTARAKHAND TAB









----- Visualisation & Free Download -----

 <b>Bhuvan-2D</b>	 <b>Bhuvan-3D</b>	 <b>Open Data Archive</b> <i>Free Download</i>	 <b>Climate Environment</b> <i>EO derived Products</i>
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----- Maps & OGC services -----

 <b>Thematic Services</b>	 <b>Disaster Services</b>	 <b>Ocean Services</b>	 <b>Create a Map / GIS</b> <i>My Map   My GIS</i>
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**Governance/Central Ministries** *g-Governance Dashboard*

 <b>ENVIS</b>	 <b>CRIS</b>	 <b>Flycatchers Distribution</b>	 <b>Island Information</b>	 <b>School Bhuvan</b>	 <b>Toll Information</b>	 <b>Ground Water</b>	 <b>Pipeline</b>
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**Application Sectors**  
*Collaborative applications - Platform to share your data and create governance applications*

<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>Forestry</b>	<b>E-Governance</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>Tourism</b>	<b>Urban</b>	<b>Rural</b>
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**Forestry**



 <b>Karnataka</b>	 <b>Uttarakhand</b>	 <b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	 <b>MoEFCC</b>
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**Special Applications**

 <b>Data Discovery</b>	 <b>Decision Support Dashboard</b>	 <b>Hydrological Products</b>	 <b>International Disasters</b>
 <b>IRS Pass Quick Looks</b>	 <b>Locate Satellites</b>	 <b>MANU</b>	 <b>Multilingual Translation</b>

**State Portals/Applications (Click on any State)**

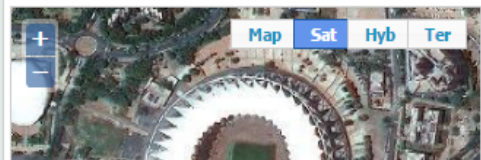
State:

 **Andhra Pradesh**  **Asset Mapping**

Visit Applications available for State **ANDHRA PRADESH**

**Updates** **Download**

- Hot Weather Outlook **New**
- Bhuvan Training on Apr 03 - 04, 2017
- Release of Telangana Water Resources Information System on 06 Aug 2016
- Citizen Centric - Post Application
- Recent Floods
- Bhuvan Satellite Data as OGC Web Service
- g-Governance: Dashboard

 **Map** **Sat** **Hyb** **Ter**

# STEP 3-

Uttarakhand Page will be displayed where one can select various layers such as Circle, Division, Range, Block, Beat.

Selection can be made through this panel

Uttarakhand Forest

Welcome User [Login](#)

Enter City or Lat,Lon(ex:chennai or 13

Tools | [Link](#) | [Home](#)

**Know your Forest**

Circle: Choose ...

Division: Select Circle First

Range: Select Division First

Block: Select Range First

Beat: Select Block First

[View](#)

- Land Use Land Cover 50K 2005-06
- Land Use Land Cover 50K 2011-2012
- Wasteland 50K 2008-09
- Geomorphology 50K 2005-06
- Lineament 50K 2005-06
- Weather Information

**Fire Management**

**Asset Management**

**Eco-Tourism**

**Wild Life Management**

**Departmental Maps**

Map | [Satellite](#) | [Hybrid](#) | [Terrain](#) | [More](#)

JAMMU & KASHMIR

UTTARAKHAND

HARYANA

Indian Remote Sensing Satellites

73.74, 27.02

# VIEW & DETAIL OF A FIRE ALERT DETECTED WITH IN RF

Enter City or Lat, Lon(ex:chennai or 1

Tools [Link](#) [Home](#)

### Know your Forest

#### Fire Management

##### Current Fire Locations

Dated: 2017-04-12

Aqua-MODIS

- 01:56 hrs
- 12:49 hrs
- 14:26 hrs

Terra-MODIS

- 09:42 hrs
- 11:20 hrs

S-NPP VIIRS(375m)

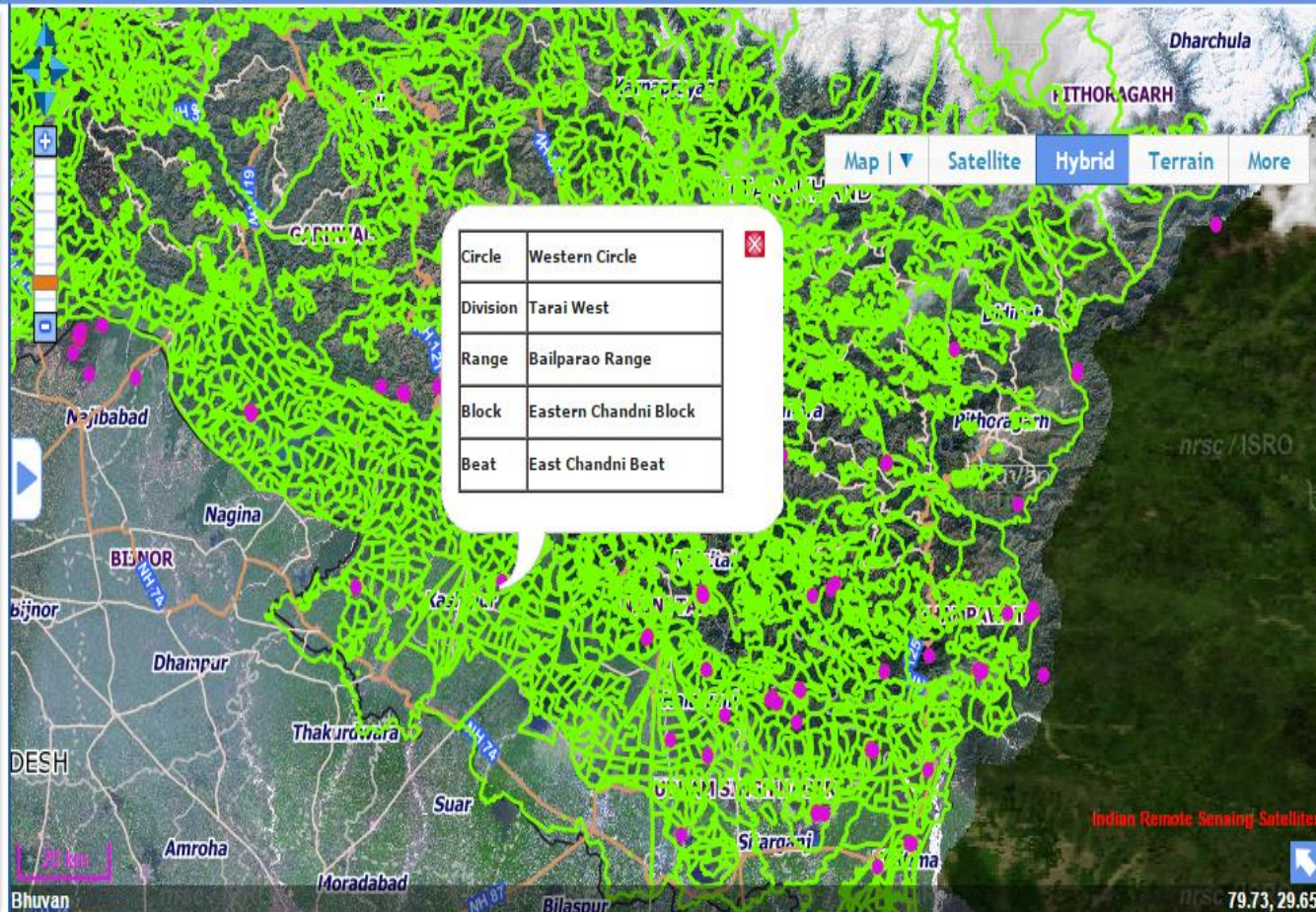
- 01:53 hrs
- 13:03 hrs
- 14:43 hrs

S-NPP VIIRS(750m)

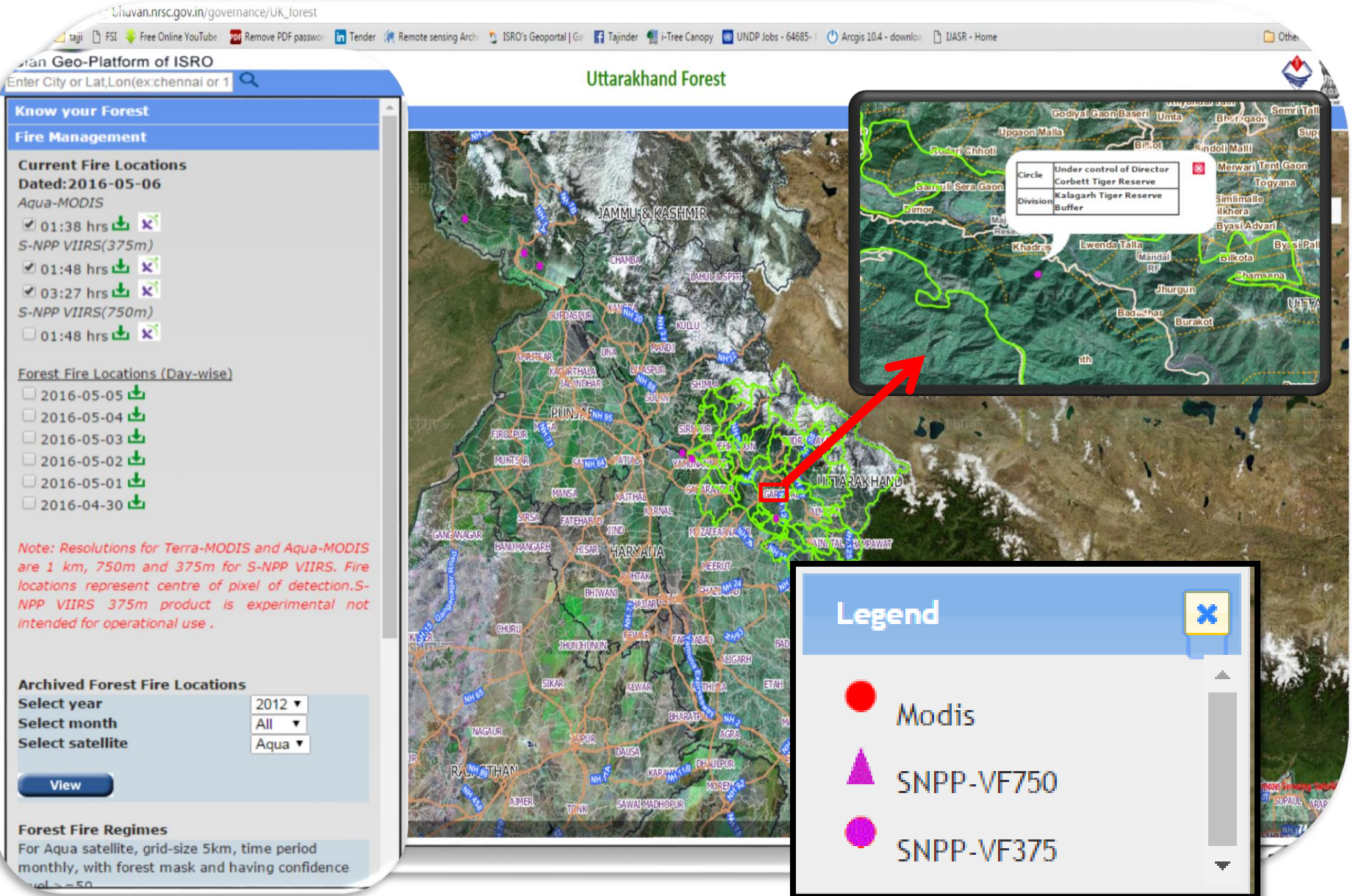
- 01:53 hrs
- 13:03 hrs
- 14:43 hrs

Forest Fire Locations (Day-wise)

- 2017-04-11
- 2017-04-10
- 2017-04-09



# Active Fire points Monitoring over BHUVAN



# STEP 4-

In this step boundaries of selected layers will be displayed & now **LEFT CLICK FIRE MANAGEMENT**

**FIRE MANAGEMENT TAB**

The screenshot displays a GIS web application interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Enter City or Lat, Lon(ex:chennai or 13.072076, 77.608628)". To the right of the search bar are navigation links: "Tools", "Link", and "Home". Below the search bar is a sidebar with the heading "Know your Forest". This sidebar contains several filter options: "Circle" (All X), "Division" (All X), "Range" (All X), "Block" (Choose ...), and "Beat" (Select Block First). A "Remove" button is located below these filters. A list of layers is shown with checkboxes: "Land Use Land Cover 50K 2005-06", "Land Use Land Cover 50K 2011-2012", "Wasteland 50K 2008-09", "Geomorphology 50K 2005-06", "Lineament 50K 2005-06", and "Weather Information". Below the list are several tabs: "Fire Management", "Asset Management", "Eco-Tourism", "Wild Life Management", and "Departmental Maps". The "Fire Management" tab is highlighted in blue. A red arrow points from the "Fire Management" tab in the sidebar to the "FIRE MANAGEMENT TAB" text above the map. The main map area shows a satellite view of a region in northern India, with a green boundary overlay. The map includes a scale bar, a compass, and a legend. The legend shows "Map", "Satellite", "Hybrid", "Terrain", and "More". The map is labeled with various districts and states, including Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Haryana. The green boundary is a complex, irregular shape covering a large area in the northern part of the map.

# STEP 5-

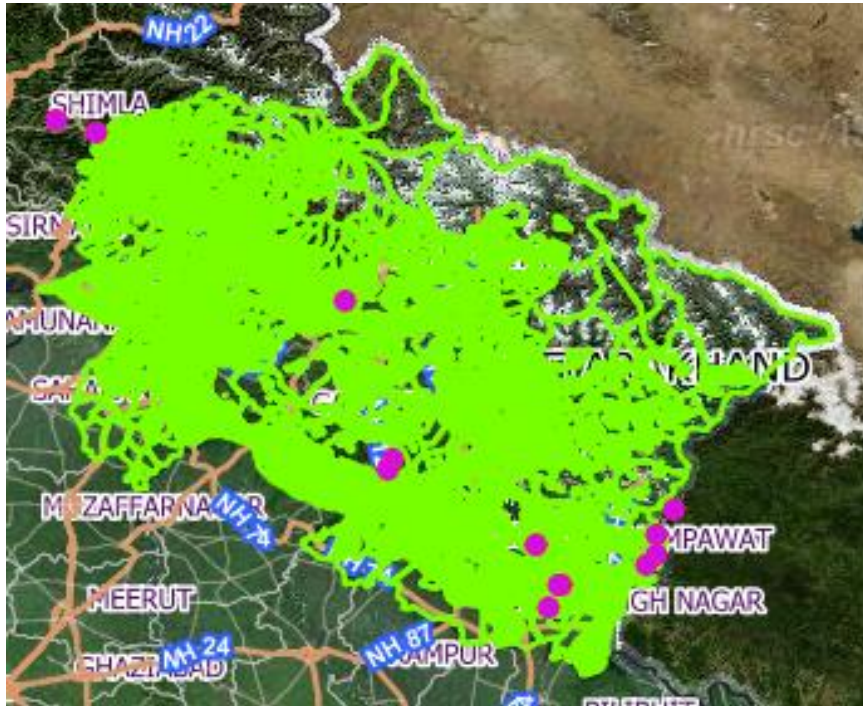
Select (Tick the checkbox) required fire location to view fire point

MODIS & SNPP VIIRS points updated at different point of day

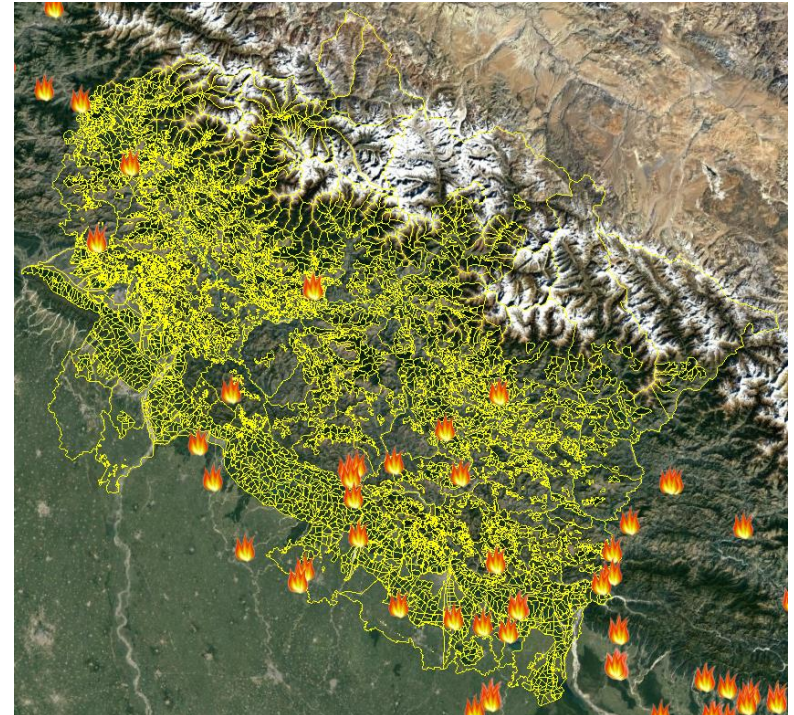
The screenshot displays the 'Uttarakhand Forest' web application. The interface includes a header with the NRSC logo and the text 'Indian Geo-Platform of ISRO'. A search bar is located at the top left, and navigation links for 'Topics', 'Link', and 'Home' are at the top center. The main map area shows Uttarakhand with various districts labeled, such as Chamra, Lahul & Spiti, Kullu, Mandi, Shimla, and Dehra Dun. A green outline highlights a specific region in the state. A sidebar on the left contains a 'Know your Forest' section with a 'Fire Management' sub-section. Under 'Current Fire Locations Dated: 2017-04-12', there are two categories: 'Aqua-MODIS' and 'Terra-MODIS', each with a list of times and checkboxes. Below these are 'S-NPP VIIRS(375m)' and 'S-NPP VIIRS(750m)' categories, also with time-based checkboxes. At the bottom of the sidebar is a 'Forest Fire Locations (Day-wise)' section with checkboxes for dates from 2017-04-11 to 2017-04-09. The map has a control bar at the top right with options for 'Map', 'Satellite', 'Hybrid', 'Terrain', and 'More'. The bottom right corner of the map shows the coordinates '74.31, 30.48'.

# Active Fire as on 17 April 2017

Bhuvan



FIRMS



# Fire Monitoring By Bhuvan

## Strengths

- Beat wise fire locations on Indian Geoportal
- No Need for installation of Google Earth
- Can View the fire location any time anywhere
- All the setellite sensed fire points can be viewed at the same time

## Weakness

- Only RF boundaries are there
- Can not link the fire with district or tehsil
- UKFD dependency on NRSC for any updation
- Variation in number of fire points as compared to FIRMS

# **Forest Fire Management Strategy/ Standard Operating Procedure**

## **C. Forest Fire Management- By using FSI Data**

- Nodal Officer at ITGC and other registered forest officials of department are getting daily fire alerts from Forest Survey of India (FSI) through *e-mail* as well as through SMS.
- ITGC receives Google Earth compatible .kml file of fire locations from FSI on daily basis.
- This information is viewed with Uttarakhand administrative boundaries on Google Earth to get the satellite view of area location of the fire and other information already available over Google Earth such as Temperature, Terrain, Road, Place, GPS locations etc.

# Fire alerts from FSI in Public Domain

- <https://fsi.nic.in>
- Forest fire alert system 3.0
- Van agni geo portal
- Tabulated as and when received from NASA server
- Can be accessed by anyone
- Time lag is just less than 2 hours as per FSI
- DMs, DFOs or any district official can see
- Messages sent to State level officers, DMs, DFOs, ROs, and up to Beat guard level.
- DMs to get sms of incidents of the district, DFOs to get the incidents of Division and so on.

# Screen Shot of FSI webpage from where Fire Alerts are acquired.



## FOREST SURVEY OF INDIA

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change

भारतीय वन सर्वेक्षण

### Fire Points

Print

Export in Excel

Go Back


12 Record Found (Displaying 1 To 12)

S.No.	Date & Time	Latitude	Longitude	State	District	Circle	Division	Range	Block	Beat	Source Type
1.	15-04-2017 02:36:03	28 59 38N	80 04 53E	UTTARAKHAND	UDHAMSINGH NAGAR	WESTERN CIRCLE	TARAI EAST FOREST DIVISION	KHATIMA RANGE	KHATIMA RANGE	CHANDANI BEAT	SNPP
2.	15-04-2017 02:36:03	28 59 38N	80 04 53E	UTTARAKHAND	UDHAMSINGH NAGAR	WESTERN CIRCLE	TARAI EAST FOREST DIVISION	KHATIMA RANGE	KHATIMA RANGE	CHANDANI BEAT	SNPP
3.	15-04-2017 02:36:03	29 48 59N	79 31 22E	UTTARAKHAND	ALMORA	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	SOMESHWAR RANGE	SOMESHWAR RANGE	GAGAS EAST BEAT	SNPP
4.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	30 07 51N	79 27 52E	UTTARAKHAND	CHAMOLI	GARHWAL CIRCLE	BADRINATH FOREST DIVISION	PINDAR WEST RANGE	PINDAR WEST RANGE	DEVAR BEAT	MODIS
5.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	30 07 51N	79 27 52E	UTTARAKHAND	CHAMOLI	GARHWAL CIRCLE	BADRINATH FOREST DIVISION	PINDAR CENTRAL RANGE	PINDAR CENTRAL RANGE	DEVALGWAR BEAT	MODIS
6.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	30 07 51N	79 27 52E	UTTARAKHAND	CHAMOLI	GARHWAL CIRCLE	BADRINATH FOREST DIVISION	PINDAR CENTRAL RANGE	PINDAR CENTRAL RANGE	DEVALGWAR BEAT	MODIS
7.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	29 48 59N	79 31 15E	UTTARAKHAND	ALMORA	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	SOMESHWAR RANGE	SOMESHWAR RANGE	GAGAS EAST BEAT	MODIS
8.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	29 48 59N	79 31 15E	UTTARAKHAND	ALMORA	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	SOMESHWAR RANGE	SOMESHWAR RANGE	GAGAS EAST BEAT	MODIS
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10.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	29 48 59N	79 31 15E	UTTARAKHAND	ALMORA	NORTH KUMAON CIRCLE	ALMORA FOREST DIVISION	SOMESHWAR RANGE	SOMESHWAR RANGE	GAGAS EAST BEAT	MODIS
11.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	28 51 12N	79 55 50E	UTTARAKHAND	UDHAMSINGH NAGAR	WESTERN CIRCLE	TARAI EAST FOREST DIVISION	SURAI RANGE	SURAI RANGE	NF	MODIS
12.	15-04-2017 13:19:36	28 51 12N	79 55 50E	UTTARAKHAND	UDHAMSINGH NAGAR	WESTERN CIRCLE	TARAI EAST FOREST DIVISION	SURAI RANGE	SURAI RANGE	JHANKAIYA- I BEAT	MODIS

Saturday, April 15, 2017

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10 Nos. of fires detected in  
UTTARAKHAND by  
SNPP(375mx375m) on  
[14-04-17 02:55:03](#) Click to  
view Fire Points [https://  
goo.gl/MZcV8r](https://goo.gl/MZcV8r) Click [https://  
goo.gl/O3JA7G](https://goo.gl/O3JA7G) for feedback.

 SMS 2:25 PM



Enter message



Forwarded

1 Large Forest Fires active in UTTARAKHAND To view points click <http://fi-re.in/20-2e1f4d> For details, <http://fi-re.in/20-e05650>

2:17 am

Forwarded

5 Nos. of fires detected in UTTARAKHAND by SNPP(375mx375m) on 17-06-23  
01:36:20 Click to view Fire Points <http://fi-re.in/v2-15c6f5&s=35&u=FSI006460>  
Click <http://fi-re.in/v2-2b1dbe&s=35&u=FSI006460> for feedback.

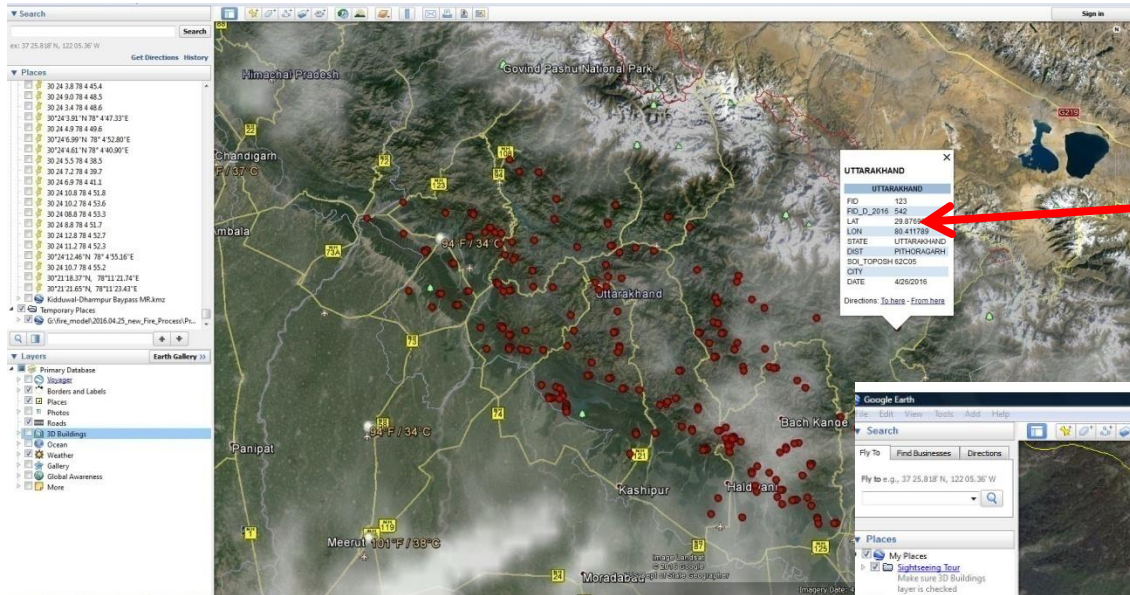
2:17 am

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15 Nos. of fires detected in UTTARAKHAND by SNPP(375mx375m) on 12-05-23  
01:11:59 Click to view Fire Points <http://fi-re.in/v2-89d5ff&s=35&u=FSI006460>  
Click <http://fi-re.in/v2-ce5fec&s=35&u=FSI006460> for feedback.

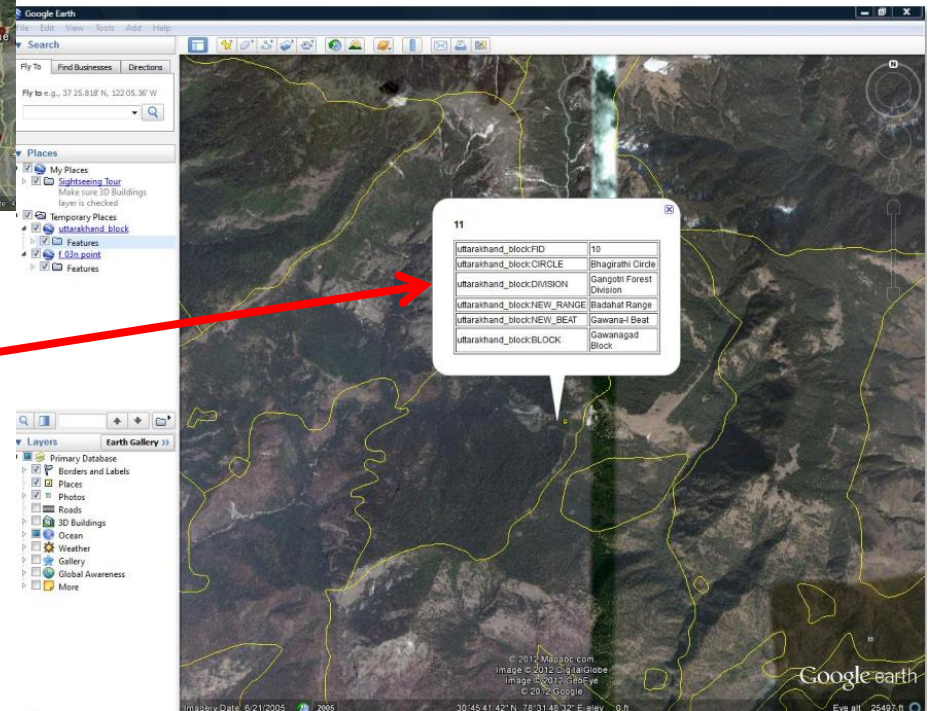
2:21 am

# KML File of Forest Fire Location as per the data received by FSI



Point Information

Forest Administrative unit information where fire point is visible



# Fire Monitoring By FSI

## Strengths

- Compartment Level Information Dissemination
- Near Real Time due to automatic Technology
- Dissemination via different modes: SMS Alerts, Website, email of KML files
- Many duplicate entries of fire points

## Weakness

- Only RF boundaries are there so can't disseminate information to Non Reserve Areas
- Can not link the fire with tehsil or villages

# Forest Fire Management Strategy/ SOP-

## D. Ensuring Effective Co-ordination and Sharing of Information:

➤ ITGC has coordination with State Emergency Operation Center for disasters such as Forest Fire mitigation strategies, resource mobilization, ground reporting of fire incidences etc.

➤ Information is also received from crew station staff on patrol, fire danger rating analysis by Master Control Room established in each forest division, local villagers and any other person through the use helpline numbers such as WhatsApp (7455054828), State Disaster Helpline Toll Free Number 1070, and District Disaster Helpline Toll Free Number 1077.

➤ For public use the link is given to our website [www.forest.uk.gov.in](http://www.forest.uk.gov.in) which contains fire dedicated link having following information:

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|--|--|
| 1.Pre fire   | 6.Weather report                         |
| 2.Post fire  | 7.Fire trend                             |
| 3.Fire Sensitive Maps                                | 8.Fire location map by NRSC etc.         |
| 4.Advertisements                                     | 9. Uttarakhand Forest BHUVAN Link        |
| 5.Daily Fire Reports Received From various Divisions | 10. Link to Weather forecasting websites |



**PLAN & PREPARE**

**FOREST FIRE ACTION PLAN**

**by Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority,  
Government of Uttarakhand  
in coordination with Forest Department, Uttarakhand**

# Use of Information Communication Technology (ICT):

## Daily Updated Forest Fire Alerts, Reports & Information over Website - [www.forest.uk.gov.in](http://www.forest.uk.gov.in)

The screenshot displays the website for the Uttarakhand Forest Department, Government of Uttarakhand. The page features a navigation menu with options like Home, About Us, Research & Training, Acts & Office Orders, SAMADHAN, and External Links. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area includes a large banner image of a forest. Below the banner, there is a paragraph describing Uttarakhand's geographical location and a link to 'Read More'. A red circle highlights a 'Fire Alert-Information' link in the bottom left corner, with a red arrow pointing to it from a text box on the right that says 'Dedicated Link For Fire Information'. Other links at the bottom include 'How to apply Online Forest Clearance Application', 'ONLINE BOOKING', 'PRESS NOTES', 'WORKING PLANS', 'FOREST FIRE INFO', 'MAPS & CHARTS', and 'RECRUITMENT'.

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Government of Uttarakhand

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Uttarakhand the 27<sup>th</sup> state of Republic of India lies between 28° 44' & 31° 28' N Latitude and 77° 35' & 81° 01' East longitude. It was carved out of UP on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2000 with 13 Districts. The geographical area of the state is 53483 sq.km and the terrain and topography of the state is largely hilly with large areas under snow cover and steep slopes. [Read More](#)

Forest Department in Uttarakhand has the responsibility for managing some of the richest forests and biodiversity in India . These are spread over a landscape that includes plains where the tall Sal trees and myriad other plant species hold sway. Tigers, Elephants, Deer, Antelopes, Pythons, a large number of bird species, amongst so many other species, inhabit these forests and grasslands. [Read More](#)

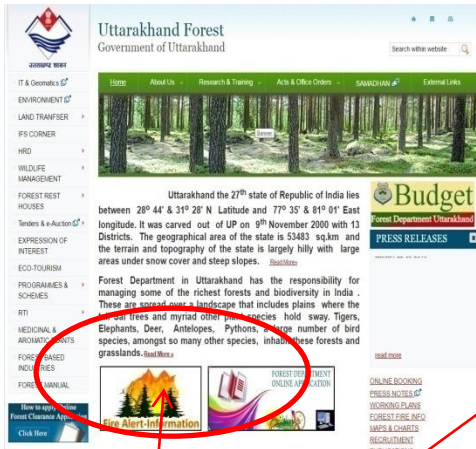
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**Dedicated Link For Fire Information**

# Up to date Forest Fire Information Available over Website



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- india.gov.in
- The national portal of India

## FOREST FIRE INFORMATION-2016

**PRE-FOREST FIRE ALERT**

**Advertisement regarding Forest Fire Protection-2016. [CLICK HERE](#)**

**FOREST FIRE SENSITIVE ZONE MAP**

**DISTRICT & TEHSIL WISE FIRE INFORMATION**  
(Based on the past 10 years data)

**Divisionwise Fire Incidences & Affected Area Bar Graph**

**REGIONWISE SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE**

**DIVISIONWISE SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE**

**FIRE TREND GRAPH**

**DAILY FOREST FIRE MAPS**  
(Fire points from 15-02-2016 to Till date)

**DAILY FOREST FIRE UPDATES**  
[CLICK HERE](#)

**DISTRICTWISE SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE**

**WEATHER FORECAST**

**POST FOREST FIRE WARNING - (DEVELOPED BY ITGC BASED ON NASA EOSDIS-NASA INFORMATION)**

FOREST FIRE AS ON 07-05-2016

-->NO FOREST FIRE POINT

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# Forest Fire Management Strategy/ SOP-

## E. Daily and Extended Weather Forecast

➤ Nodal officer receives weather forecast from IMD through email and the same is disseminated through social media (WhatsApp), SMS and email. Weather forecasting is also linked with the official website of the forest department.

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**ई-मेल/फैक्स सन्देश दिनांक 07-05-2016 (13:00 IST)**  
मौसम विज्ञान केन्द्र देहरादून द्वारा उत्तराखण्ड राज्य के लिए जारी मौसम पूर्वानुमान  
**Weather Forecast for Uttarakhand for next five days.**  
(Up to 08:30 hours IST of 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2016)

**07.05.2016:** Mainly clear to generally cloudy sky. Very light to light rain/thunderstorm likely to occur at isolated places especially in Uttarkashi, Chamoli, Rudraprayag and Pithoragarh districts of Uttarakhand.

**08.05.2016:** Mainly clear to generally cloudy sky. Very light to light rain/thunderstorm likely to occur at isolated places especially in Uttarkashi, Chamoli, Rudraprayag and Pithoragarh districts of Uttarakhand.

**09.05.2016:** Generally cloudy sky. Very light to light rain/thunderstorm likely to occur at a few places in Uttarakhand.

**10.05.2016:** Generally cloudy sky. Very light to moderate rain/thunderstorm likely to occur at a few places in Uttarakhand.

**11.05.2016:** Generally cloudy sky. Very light to moderate rain/thunderstorm very likely to occur at many places in Uttarakhand.

**WARNING**  
NIL.

**Outlook for next two days**  
(From 08:30 hours IST of 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 to 08:30 hours IST of 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2016)  
No large change.

(बिक्रम सिंह)  
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Forecast and Warning for a particular day is valid from 0830 hours IST of day till 0830 hours IST of next day.  
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- ❖ Heavy snow: 64.5 – 115.5 cm (in depth) & Very heavy snow: 115.6 – 204.4 cm (in depth). (As per the new guidelines w.e.f January 1, 2016).
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WARNING (TAKE ACTION)	WATCH (BE UPDATED)
ALERT (BE PREPARED)	NO WARNING (NO ACTION)

Data Source: IMD



मौसम विज्ञान केंद्र, देहरादून द्वारा जारी ई-मेल/फैक्स सन्देश दिनांक 10.06.2020 (17:30 IST)

दिनांक/Date	उत्तराखंड राज्य के लिए पांच दिन का मौसम पूर्वानुमान	Five Days Weather Forecast for Uttarakhand
10.06.2020	आसमान मुख्यतः साफ रहने से लेकर आंशिक रूप से बादल छाये रहेंगे   उत्तराखंड के पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों में कहीं-कहीं विशेषकर उत्तरकाशी, रुद्रप्रयाग, चमोली तथा पिथौरागढ़ जनपदों में हल्की से मध्यम वर्षा/गर्जन के साथ वर्षा होने की संभावना   राज्य के अन्य स्थानों में मौसम शुष्क रहेगा	Mainly clear to partly cloudy sky. Light to moderate rainfall/thunderstorm likely to occur at isolated places in hills especially Uttarkashi, Rudraprayag, Chamoli and Pithoragarh districts of Uttarakhand. Dry weather likely to prevail in rest of the state.
11.06.2020	आसमान में आंशिक रूप से लेकर आमतौर पर बादल छाए रहेंगे   उत्तराखंड में कहीं-कहीं हल्की से मध्यम वर्षा/गर्जन के साथ वर्षा होने की संभावना	Partly to generally cloudy sky. Light to moderate rainfall/thunderstorm likely to occur at isolated places in Uttarakhand.
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13.06.2020	आसमान में आंशिक रूप से लेकर आमतौर पर बादल छाए रहेंगे   उत्तराखंड के कुछ स्थानों में हल्की से मध्यम वर्षा/गर्जन के साथ वर्षा हो सकती है   उत्तराखंड के मैदानी क्षेत्रों में कहीं-कहीं झोंकेदार हवाएं (वायु गति 30-40 किमी/घंटा) चलने की संभावना	Partly to generally cloudy sky. Light to moderate rainfall/thunderstorm likely to occur at a few places in Uttarakhand. Gusty wind (Wind Speed 30-40 Kmph) likely to occur at isolated places in plains of Uttarakhand.
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15 जून, 2020, 08:30 बजे से 17 जून, 2020, 08:30 बजे तक का मौसम दृष्टिकोण		Weather outlook from 08:30 hours IST of 15 <sup>th</sup> June, 2020 to 08:30 hours IST of 17 <sup>th</sup> June, 2020
वर्षा की तीव्रता में कमी		Decrease in rainfall intensity.
दिनांक/Date	मौसम चेतावनी	WEATHER WARNING
10.06.2020	कुछ नहीं	NIL
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(बिक्रम सिंह)

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# UTTARAKHAND FOREST FIRE BULLETIN

Issue Number and Date- XV/16 June 2020

Timing: 1800 hrs

## #UttarakhandForestFireUpdate

**ZERO Forest Fire incident** detected in the state of Uttarakhand, India.

Till Now, **129 Forest Fire Incidents** have occurred effecting 160.39 hectares of area.

### Summary of Forest Fire Incidents in Uttarakhand:

Sl. No.	Zone	Total Number of Forest Fire incidents	Total Affected area (Hectares)	Number of Forest Fire Crew Stations	Number of Watch Towers	Evaluation of Losses (In Rs.)
1	Kumaon	64	80.88	682	59	225980
2	Garhwal	49	69.85	570	51	174975
3	Wildlife	16	9.66	185	64	8830
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>160.39</b>	<b>1437</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>409785</b>

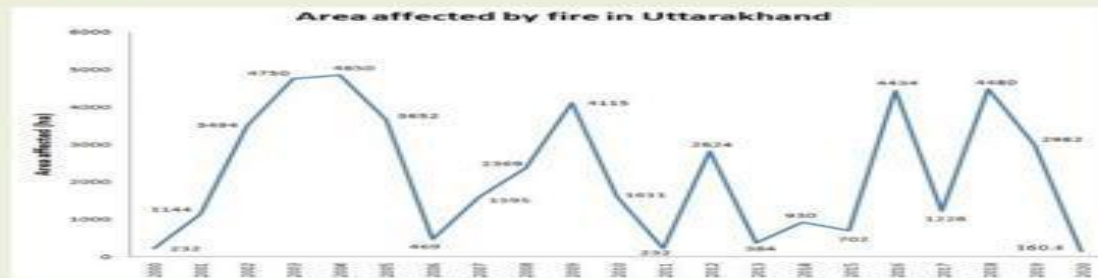
### Human and Animal Casualties due to Forest fire in Uttarakhand during 2020:

Sl. No.	Zone	Human Injury	Human Death	Animal Injury	Animal Death
1	Kumaon	1	2	0	0
2	Garhwal	0	0	0	0
3	Wildlife	0	0	0	0
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### Summary of Wireless Communication System for Forest Fire Mitigation:

A total of 506 Base sets, 199 Mobile sets, 1631 Hand sets & 35 Repeater stations are operational for 2020 Forest fire season.

Comparative analysis of Forest Fire in the state of Uttarakhand for the fire season 2000 to 2020 is given below:



### WEATHER WARNING:

Dated	WEATHER WARNING
16-06-2020	Intense shower/gusty wind (30-40 KMPH) likely to occur at isolated places in Nainital, Almora and Pithoragarh districts of Uttarakhand.

(Source:- India Meteorological Department)

(For Social Media Circulation)

### SMS Forest Fire Alert System

To get regular SMS of Forest Fire Alerts on your mobile phone, click on this link & register [www.forestfireuk.org](http://www.forestfireuk.org)

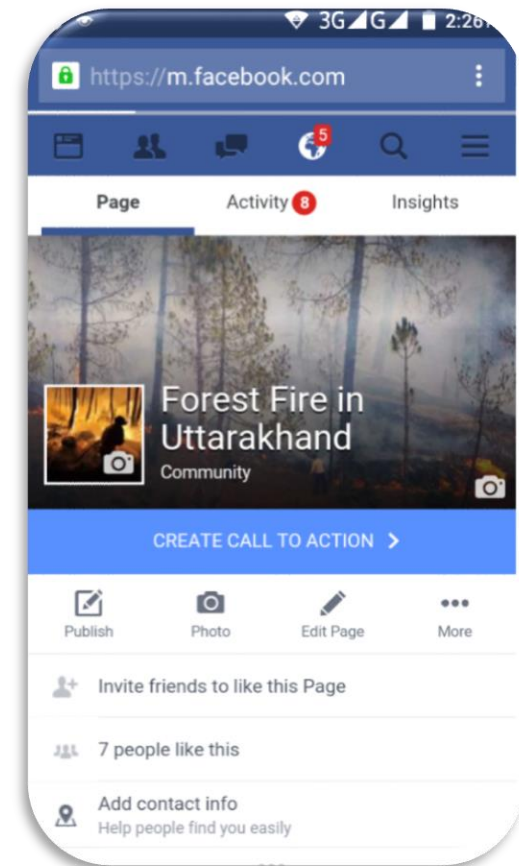
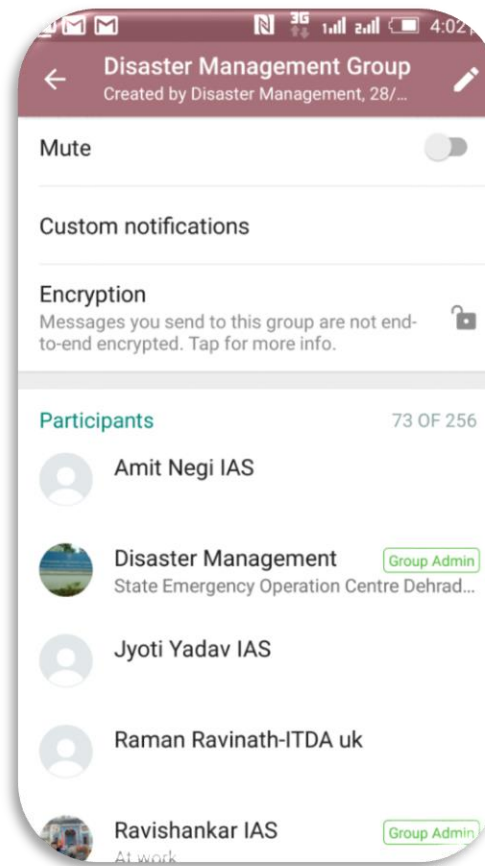
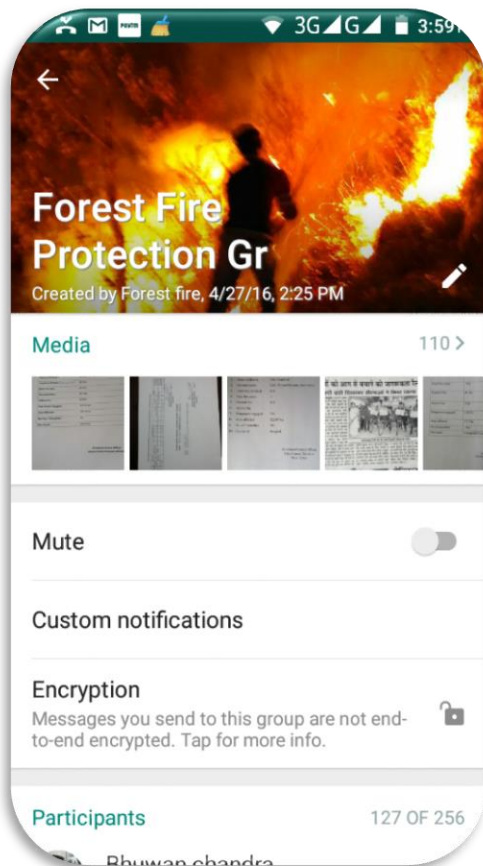
Toll Free Number for Forest Fire Mitigation **18001804141**

For further information, Please Log in to website of Uttarakhand Forest Department [www.forest.uk.gov.in](http://www.forest.uk.gov.in)

# Forest Fire Management Strategy/ SOP-

## F. Extensive Use of Social Media in Forest Fire Management:

➤ Social Media application such as FACEBOOK page and WhatsApp Groups are being used very effectively for communication, information collection & dissemination, coordination, prompt response and reporting back, awareness generation, Emergency Alerts and Severe Weather Updates and forecasts etc.



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- फोन – 0135-2744558, 0135-2744559
- ई-मेल – [nodalforestfire.uk@gmail.com](mailto:nodalforestfire.uk@gmail.com)
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