OPEN DATA FACT SHEET **SOUTH ASIA**

This fact sheet is based on data from the Open Data Impact Map, a public database of organizations that use open data from around the world. 75 organizations from the region were assessed to develop these findings. To learn more, visit: http://OpenDataImpactMap.org/sar

Health, IT and geospatial organizations account for almost half of the organizations in South Asia, and the majority are for-profit. Organizations using open data in this region are primarily found in India.

* The regions and country income levels reflect the World Bank geographic regions and income-level classifications.

SUMMARY

Almost three-quarters of organizations using open data in <u>South Asia</u> are for-profit businesses, and almost half are in the 11-to-50 employee range. In addition to health, IT and geospatial organizations, many are using open data also in the governance, agriculture, and business, research and consulting sectors.

They use it mostly to create new products and services or for research: to evaluate existing social and economic infrastructure and services, as a resource for urban and local planning, to improve agricultural yields, to reduce corruption; and to provide a range of data and technological services. The most used types of data include health, geospatial, government operations, economic and agriculture.

USE CASES

YoungInnovations

A technology company that creates solutions to global development problems

Country: Nepal

Impact: Provides standardized financial data in machine-

readable formats for public use

Data Used: Census, finance, education, and health data from

Nepal; international development spending data

URL: http://younginnovations.com.np/

Excel Geomatics

Open geographical data for information solutions to private and public organizations

Country: India

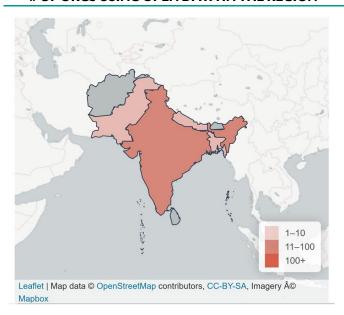
 $\textbf{Impact:} \ \mathsf{Maps} \ \mathsf{open} \ \mathsf{geographical} \ \mathsf{data} \ \mathsf{to} \ \mathsf{target} \ \mathsf{industry-specific}$

needs

Data Used: Census of India, Village and district boundary maps, Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) from NASA, ASTER database from NASA and Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)

URL: http://www.excelgeomatics.com/

OF ORGS USING OPEN DATA IN THE REGION



TOP 5 SECTORS USING OPEN DATA IN THE REGION

