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ABSTRACT

Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) change detection is a crucial process for understanding the dynamic interactions between human activities and the environment. This study aims to evaluate the spatiotemporal transformations in LULC within a defined region using remote sensing and Geographic Information System (GIS) technologies. By analyzing satellite imagery over a specified period, we identified significant alterations in various land cover types, including urban expansion, deforestation, agricultural intensification, and water body modifications. The results reveal that urban areas have expanded at the expense of agricultural and forest lands, leading to increased environmental stress and biodiversity loss.

This research underscores the importance of continuous LULC monitoring for sustainable land management and policy-making. The methodologies employed offer a replicable framework for similar studies in different geographic contexts, contributing to the broader understanding of land use dynamics and their ecological impacts.

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INTRODUCTION TO COMPANY

1.1 ABOUT THE COMPANY

The Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre (MRSAC), located in Nagpur, is a premier organization dedicated to the advancement and application of remote sensing technology and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in Maharashtra. Established with the objective of promoting the use of spatial technologies for the sustainable development of the state, MRSAC plays a pivotal role in providing critical data, analysis, and solutions to various sectors. The Maharashtra Remote Sensing Application Centre (MRSAC), headquartered in Nagpur, is a premier organization dedicated to the application of remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technologies in Maharashtra. Established in 1988, MRSAC operates as an autonomous institution under the Department of Planning, Government of Maharashtra, focusing on harnessing geospatial technologies for effective planning, management, and sustainable development across various sectors.

MRSAC's core functions encompass the acquisition, processing, and dissemination of remote sensing data, coupled with the development of GIS-based applications. These services are utilized across a wide range of fields including agriculture, forestry, water resources, urban planning, disaster management, and environmental monitoring. By leveraging cutting-edge technology, MRSAC supports government agencies, academic institutions, and private enterprises in making informed decisions and optimizing resource management.

Mission and Vision

Mission:

To provide high-quality geospatial data, analysis, and services to support the planning, management, and decision-making processes for sustainable development in Maharashtra.

Vision:

To be a leading center of excellence in the application of remote sensing and GIS technologies, contributing to the socio-economic development and environmental sustainability of Maharashtra.

1.2 HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre (MRSAC) in Nagpur has a rich history rooted in the need for advanced geospatial technologies to support the development and management of natural resources in Maharashtra. Established in 1988 under the Department of Planning, Government of Maharashtra, MRSAC was conceived to harness the potential of remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for regional development. The inception of MRSAC was driven by the growing recognition of the importance of satellite imagery and spatial data in various applications such as agriculture, forestry, water resources, urban planning, and environmental monitoring. Initially, the centre focused on acquiring and interpreting remote sensing data to provide valuable insights for resource management and policy-making. Throughout the 1990s and 2000s, MRSAC expanded its capabilities by incorporating advanced GIS technologies, enhancing its ability to analyze and visualize spatial data. This period saw the centre undertaking numerous state and national projects, contributing significantly to the planning and implementation of development initiatives.

Key milestones in the history of MRSAC include:

1988: Establishment of MRSAC under the Department of Planning, Government of Maharashtra.

1990s: Expansion of remote sensing applications and initiation of major projects in agriculture, forestry, and water resources.

2000s: Integration of GIS technologies, leading to the development of sophisticated spatial data analysis and visualization tools.

2010s: Strengthening of collaborations with national agencies like ISRO and NRSC, and participation in major governmental and environmental projects.

MRSAC aims to expand its applications to new domains such as climate change adaptation, smart agriculture, renewable energy planning, and sustainable development. The center is also focused on enhancing its data-sharing platforms and services to make geospatial data more accessible to a broader range of users. MRSAC continues to push the boundaries of innovation in remote sensing and GIS, exploring new technologies such as UAVs (drones), LiDAR, and AI-driven geospatial analytics. The center is committed to ongoing research and development to address emerging challenges and opportunities in the field of geospatial science.

In conclusion, MRSAC Nagpur has played a transformative role in the application of remote sensing and GIS technologies in Maharashtra. Its historical journey from a nascent institution to a leading geospatial center exemplifies its commitment to leveraging technology for the betterment of society and sustainable development.

1.3 LOCATION

The Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre (MRSAC) is strategically located in the heart of Nagpur, providing easy accessibility for collaboration with various government departments, academic institutions, and private organizations. The exact address of MRSAC is:

Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre (MRSAC)
VNIT Campus,
South Ambazari Road,
Nagpur - 440010,
Maharashtra, India.

1.4 OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE

1. Governing Body:

The highest decision-making authority, which includes representatives from the Government of Maharashtra and key stakeholders, providing strategic direction and oversight.

2. Director:

The Director is the chief executive officer responsible for the overall management and administration of MRSAC. The Director ensures that the centre's objectives are met and oversees the implementation of policies and programs.

3. Technical Advisory Committee:

A committee comprising experts in the field of remote sensing, GIS, and related technologies. This committee advises on technical matters, helps in setting research agendas, and ensures the adoption of best practices.

4. Administrative Division:

Responsible for the administrative functions, including human resources, finance, procurement, and general administration. This division ensures smooth day-to-day operations and compliance with government regulations.

5. Technical Divisions:

MRSAC is organized into several technical divisions, each focusing on specific areas of remote sensing and GIS applications.

6. Project Management Unit:

Responsible for managing and coordinating various projects undertaken by MRSAC. This unit ensures timely execution, monitoring, and reporting of project activities.

7. Collaboration and Outreach Division:

- Facilitates partnerships with government agencies, academic institutions, and private sector organizations.
- Promotes the centre’s services and capabilities.

8. Research and Development (R&D) Division:

- Focuses on innovative research in remote sensing and GIS.
- Development of new technologies and methodologies.
- Publications and dissemination of research findings.

The operational structure of MRSAC Nagpur is designed to support its mission of leveraging remote sensing and GIS technologies for sustainable development. By maintaining a well-organized and specialized framework, MRSAC ensures the efficient delivery of its services and the continuous advancement of geospatial technology applications.

1.5 VISION OF COMPANY

The vision of the Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre (MRSAC) is to be a premier institution in the field of remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS), driving sustainable development through innovative and integrated geospatial solutions. MRSAC aims to:

1. Empower Decision-Making: Provide high-quality, accurate, and timely geospatial data and analysis to support informed decision-making across various sectors including agriculture, forestry, urban planning, disaster management, and environmental conservation.
2. Promote Sustainable Development: Leverage advanced remote sensing and GIS technologies to promote sustainable resource management, enhance environmental protection, and foster balanced socio-economic growth in Maharashtra and beyond.
3. Advance Technological Excellence: Stay at the forefront of technological advancements in remote sensing and GIS, continuously improving methodologies, tools, and applications to meet the evolving needs of stakeholders.
4. Capacity Building and Education: Enhance the technical capabilities of government agencies, academic institutions, and private organizations through comprehensive training programs, workshops, and collaborative research initiatives.
5. Innovative Research and Development: Conduct cutting-edge research to develop innovative geospatial solutions, contributing to the global knowledge base and addressing regional and global challenges.
6. Collaborations and Partnerships:

   Strengthen collaborations with national and international organizations, academic institutions, and industry partners to foster innovation and knowledge exchange.

   By realizing this vision, MRSAC aims to significantly contribute to the sustainable development of Maharashtra, ensuring that geospatial technologies play a vital role in enhancing the quality of life, protecting the environment, and supporting economic growth. Through continuous innovation, collaboration, and capacity building, MRSAC seeks to remain a key player in the geospatial domain, both within India and globally.

1.7 PRODUCT MANUFACTURED

MRSAC (Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre) Nagpur does not manufacture physical products in the traditional sense. Instead, it specializes in providing a range of geospatial services and solutions that leverage remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technologies. Here are the key products and services offered by MRSAC:

1. Geospatial Data Products:

• Satellite Imagery: High-resolution satellite images for various applications such as land use/land cover mapping, urban planning, and environmental monitoring.

• Digital Elevation Models (DEMs): Elevation data for terrain analysis, hydrological modeling, and infrastructure development.

2. GIS Databases and Applications:

• Spatial Databases: Comprehensive geospatial databases for storing and managing spatial data.

• GIS Mapping Services: Creation of detailed and accurate maps for diverse applications, including urban planning, disaster management, and resource management.

3.Remote Sensing Analysis:

• Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) Mapping: Analysis and mapping of land use and land cover changes over time to support urban planning, agriculture, and forestry.

4. Research and Development:

• Innovative Solutions: Development of new methodologies and tools in remote sensing and GIS to address specific challenges and improve existing practices.

• Collaborative Research: Participation in national and international research projects to advance the field of geospatial science.

5.Custom Projects:

• Sector-Specific Projects: Execution of tailored projects for sectors such as agriculture (crop monitoring, yield estimation), forestry (forest cover mapping, biodiversity assessment), and urban planning (infrastructure mapping, land suitability analysis).

By offering these products and services, MRSAC Nagpur supports a wide range of applications that contribute to sustainable development, resource management, and informed decision-making across various sectors in Maharashtra and beyond.

CHAPTER – 2

CASE STUDY

2.1 INTRODUCTION

Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) change detection is a vital aspect of environmental monitoring, resource management, and urban planning. It involves identifying and analyzing changes in the earth's surface characteristics over time. LULC refers to the classification of the surface area into various types such as forests, agricultural lands, urban areas, water bodies, and barren lands. Change detection, therefore, entails tracking these changes to understand their implications on ecosystems, biodiversity, climate, and human activities.

Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) Change Detection is a critical field of study within the realm of environmental monitoring and geospatial analysis. It focuses on tracking alterations in the way land is utilized and the evolving patterns of surface cover over specific time intervals. This process is pivotal for understanding the dynamic nature of landscapes, identifying areas undergoing transformation, and assessing the impact of human activities on the environment. Remote sensing technologies, such as satellite imagery and aerial photography, play a pivotal role in capturing spatial data across large geographical areas. By comparing datasets acquired at different points in time, researchers can identify and characterize changes in land use and cover.

Methods of LULC Change Detection:

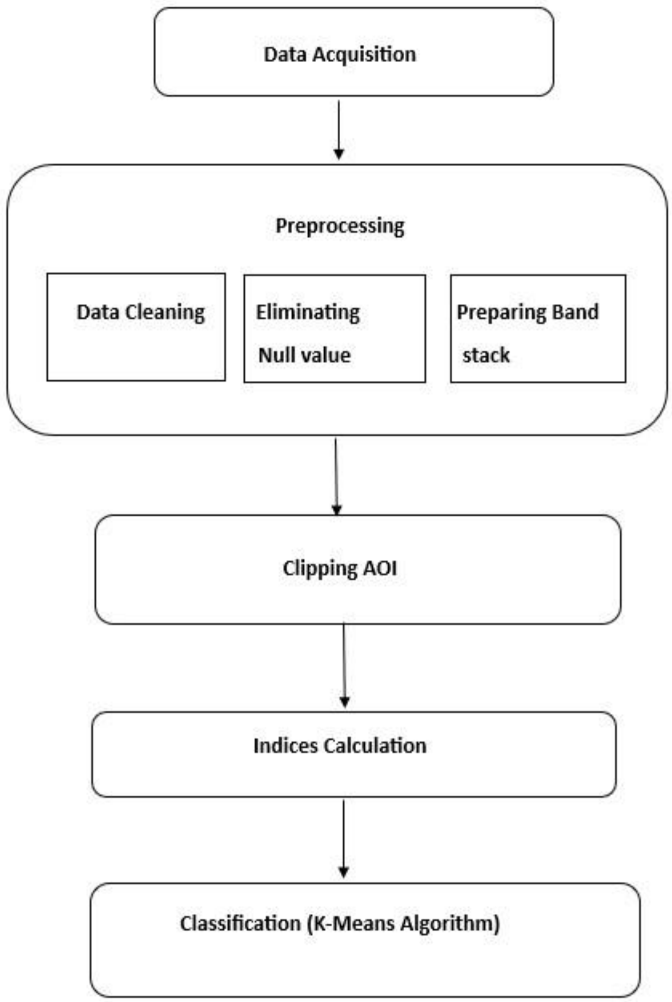
1. Remote Sensing: Satellite imagery and aerial photography are commonly used to monitor LULC changes. Techniques like multispectral and hyperspectral imaging help in identifying different land cover types.
2. Geographic Information Systems (GIS): GIS integrates spatial data and allows for the analysis of LULC changes over time.
3. Digital Image Processing: This involves techniques like image classification, change detection algorithms, and time-series analysis to detect and quantify changes in LULC.
4. Field Surveys: Ground-truthing and field surveys validate remote sensing data and provide detailed information on LULC changes.

2.2 PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

Finding Data for LULC Change Detection in a Specific Area :
In the pursuit of conducting a comprehensive Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) Change Detection analysis for a particular area, the primary challenge lies in acquiring accurate and relevant data. This encompasses satellite imagery, aerial photographs, or other geospatial datasets essential for capturing the landscape's evolution over time. The absence of suitable and up-to-date data hinders the ability to conduct meaningful analyses, limiting our understanding of critical land use changes and their potential environmental impacts.

1. Open Data Initiatives: Leverage open data initiatives and repositories that provide freely accessible geospatial datasets. Platforms like NASA Earthdata, USGS Earth Explorer, or other national geospatial data portals can be valuable resources for obtaining data.
2. Crowdsourced Data and Citizen Science: Explore the potential of crowdsourced data and citizen science initiatives to supplement traditional datasets. Platforms like Bhoonidhi or Copernicus.
3. High-Resolution Data: Obtaining high-resolution satellite imagery that can accurately reflect urban land use and land cover changes is often difficult and expensive. Publicly available data may not have the required spatial resolution.
4. Historical Data: Access to historical data is essential for analyzing changes over time, but such data might not be readily available or may be inconsistent in terms of temporal resolution and coverage.
5. Data Licensing and Costs: Proprietary datasets can be costly, and licensing restrictions may limit their use for certain applications or by specific organizations, particularly in resource-limited settings.
6. Data Gaps: Incomplete data coverage, either due to satellite revisit limitations or cloud cover in certain images, can lead to gaps in the data required for comprehensive change detection.

2.3 FLOWCHART



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2.4 OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) change detection in urban areas is to monitor and analyze the dynamic transformations in urban landscapes. This information is crucial for urban planners, policymakers, and stakeholders to manage urban growth sustainably, enhance infrastructure development, and ensure environmental sustainability. The specific objectives for urban areas include:

1. Monitor Urban Expansion:

Track Urban Sprawl: Detect and analyze the extent and pattern of urban sprawl to understand its impact on natural landscapes and resources.

Identify Land Use Changes: Monitor changes in land use within urban areas, such as the conversion of agricultural lands and natural habitats into residential, commercial, or industrial zones.

2. Support Sustainable Urban Planning:

Guide Zoning Decisions: Provide data to inform zoning regulations and land use planning, ensuring that urban development is balanced and sustainable.

Enhance Infrastructure Planning: Assist in planning and optimizing infrastructure projects, such as transportation networks, utilities, and public services, to meet the needs of growing urban populations.

3. Environmental Impact Assessment:

Assess Urban Heat Islands: Monitor changes in land cover that contribute to the urban heat island effect, helping to develop strategies to mitigate heat-related impacts.

Evaluate Green Spaces: Track the availability and distribution of green spaces, parks, and urban forests to promote urban biodiversity and enhance quality of life.

4. Disaster Risk Management:

Identify Vulnerable Areas: Detect changes in urban areas that increase vulnerability to natural disasters such as floods, landslides, and earthquakes.

Support Mitigation Strategies: Provide data for developing and implementing disaster risk reduction and mitigation strategies, ensuring urban resilience.

5. Enhance Community Awareness and Participation:
Increase community awareness and participation in urban development and environmental conservation efforts through accessible LULC information.

2.5 TOOLS /TECHNOLOGY USED

QGIS (Quantum GIS):

Role: QGIS is an open-source Geographic Information System (GIS) software that provides powerful tools for spatial analysis, mapping, and data visualization.

Google Earth Pro:

Role: Google Earth Pro is a user-friendly and widely accessible tool that allows users to explore and analyze geospatial data globally.

Bhoonidhi:

Role: Bhoonidhi is a GIS software developed by the National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) in India. It is specifically designed for land management and natural resource monitoring, making it suitable for LULC change detection in the Indian context.

Copernicus (Sentinel Hub):

Role: Copernicus, specifically through the Sentinel Hub, is part of the European Union's Earth Observation program. It provides access to a wealth of Sentinel satellite data, making it valuable for monitoring land changes at a global scale.

Remote Sensing Platform:

1. Landsat Series: Provided by USGS and NASA, Landsat satellites offer a long historical archive and moderate resolution suitable for many LULC applications.
2. Sentinel Series: Provided by the European Space Agency (ESA), Sentinel-1 (radar) and
3. Sentinel-2 (optical) provide high-resolution imagery with frequent revisit times.

4. MODIS (Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer): Offers daily global coverage with moderate resolution, useful for large-scale LULC studies.

5. Planet Scope: Provides high-resolution, daily imagery from a constellation of small satellites, useful for detailed urban analysis.

2.6 SOLUTION PROVIDED

COLLECT THE DATA:

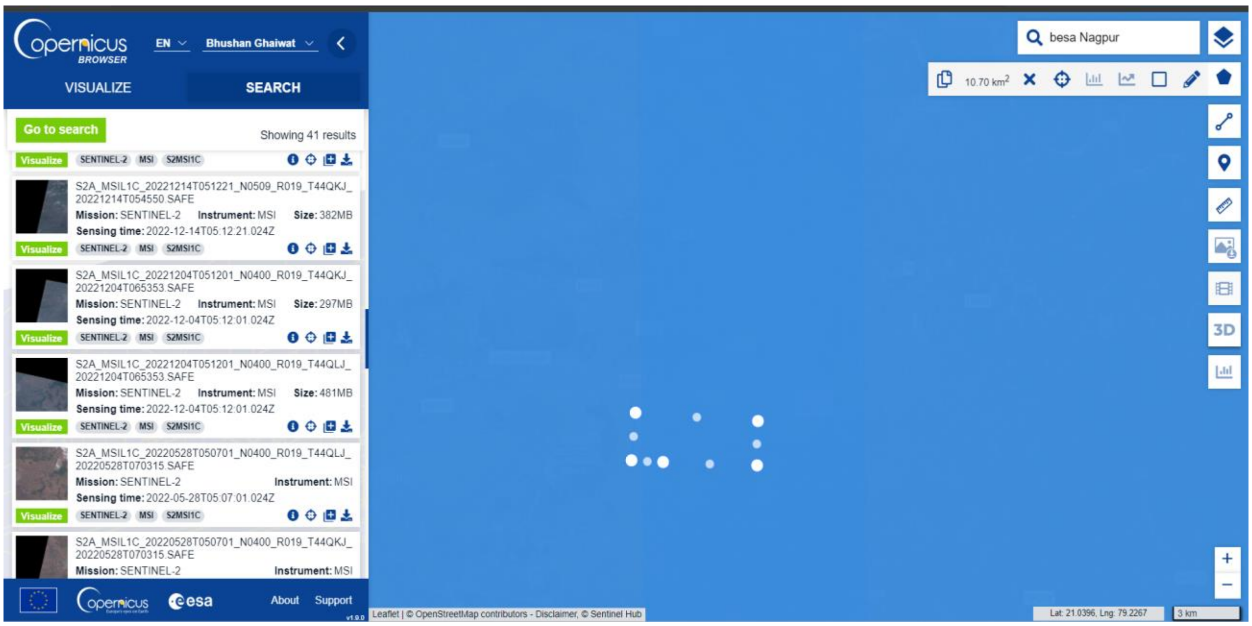

Fig 2. Copernicus Data Collection

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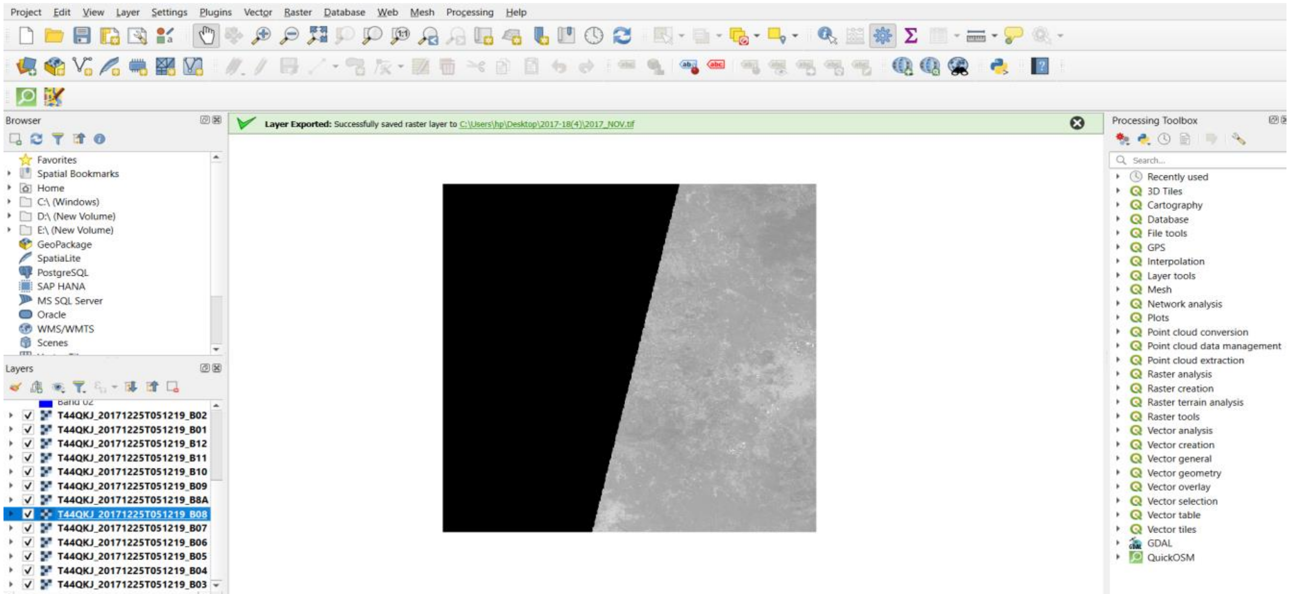

Fig 3. Bandstacking

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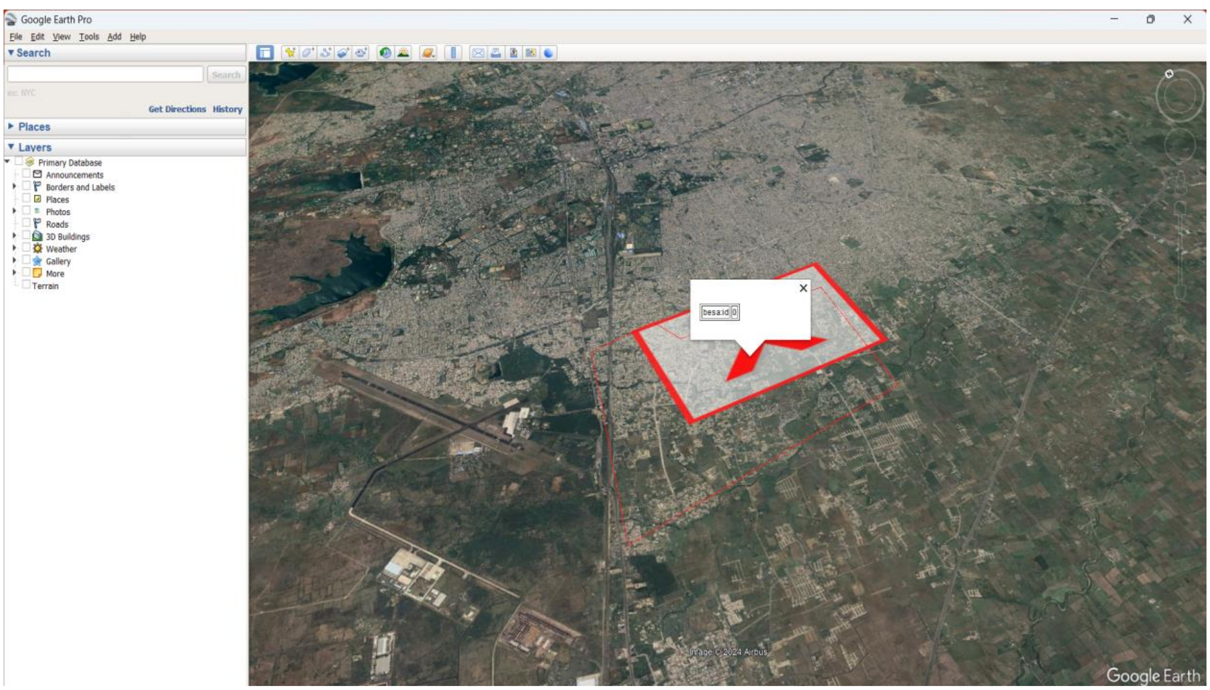

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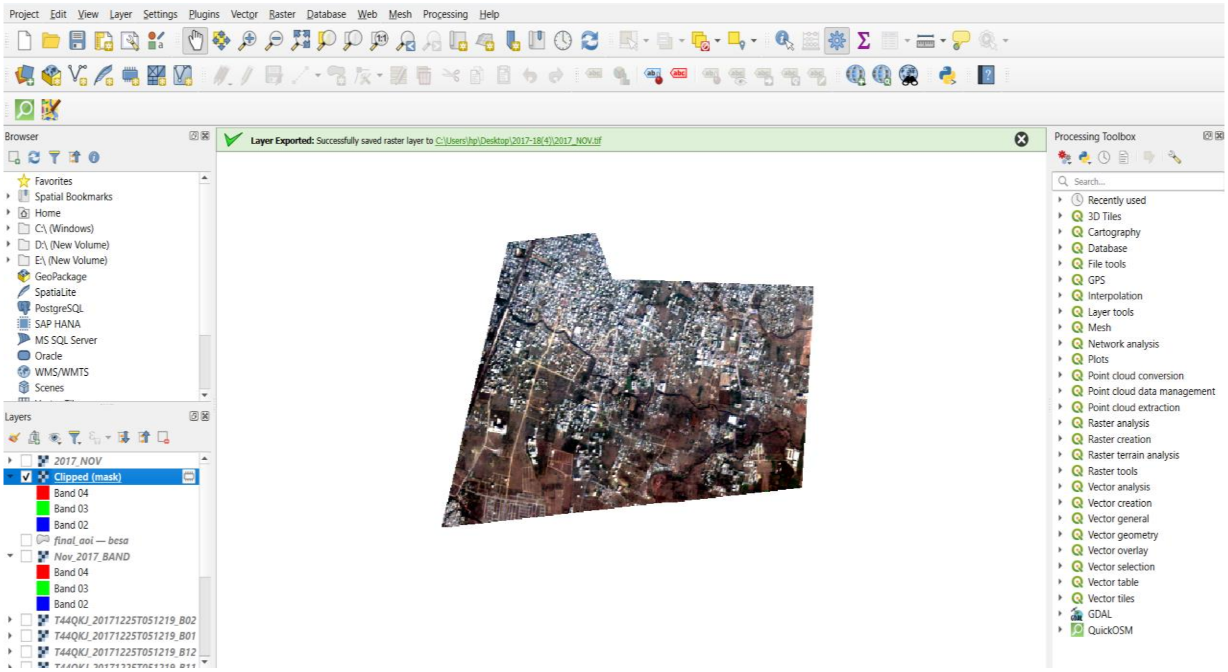

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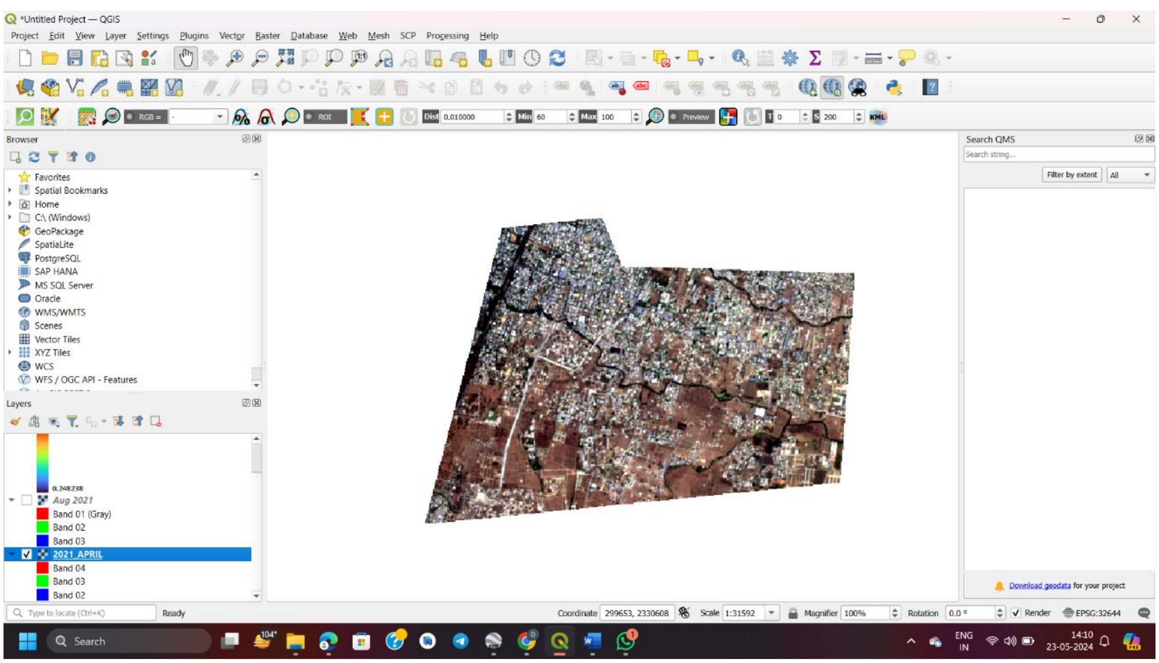

Fig 6. Band Combination

2.7 CALCULATION PROVIDED

INDICES CALCULATION:

Built-up area extraction index (BAEI):

Built-up area extraction index (BAEI) makes use of the red (band 4), green (band 2), and short wave infrared (SWIR1) bands, and apart from using spectral channels, this indices uses an arithmetic constant L to enable the extraction according to the expression.

BAEI = B_{RED} + 0.3 / B_{GREEN} + B_{SWIR1} where B_{GREEN}, B_{RED}, B_{SWIR1} and L are the surface reflectance value of the visible green band, red band, first shortwave-infrared and arithmetic constant which is 0.3, respectively.

Normalized difference built−up index (NDBI):

The NDBI can enhance information about built-up land from remote sensing images. Combined with appropriate threshold selection, NDBI can be used to extract impervious surfaces from urban areas. It utilizes the difference and the ratio of short wave infrared (SWIR2) band 12 and near-infrared (NIR) or band 8 to highlight the built-up areas.

NDBI = BSWIR2 − BNIR / BSWIR2 + BNIR where BSWIR2 and BNIR are the surface reflectance value of the second shortwave infrared and near infrared band, respectively.

New built-up index (NBI):

The new built-up index (NBI) was proposed by observing the spectral response of different land-covers in the RED (band 4), NIR (band 8), and SWIR (band 12) bands (Jieli et al., 2010). Based on the fact that the spectral response of barren land is greater than the other land-covers in the previous bands, Jieli et al. (2010) defined the index as follows:

NBI = BRED∗BSWIR2 / BNIR (3) where BRED, BSWIR2 and BNIR are the surface reflectance value of visible red band, the first shortwave infrared and near infrared band, respectively.

Urban index (UI):

$UI = BSWIR1 - BNIR / BSWIR1 + BNIR$ where BSWIR1 and BNIR are the surface reflectance value of the first shortwave infrared and near infrared band, respectively.

CALCULATION:

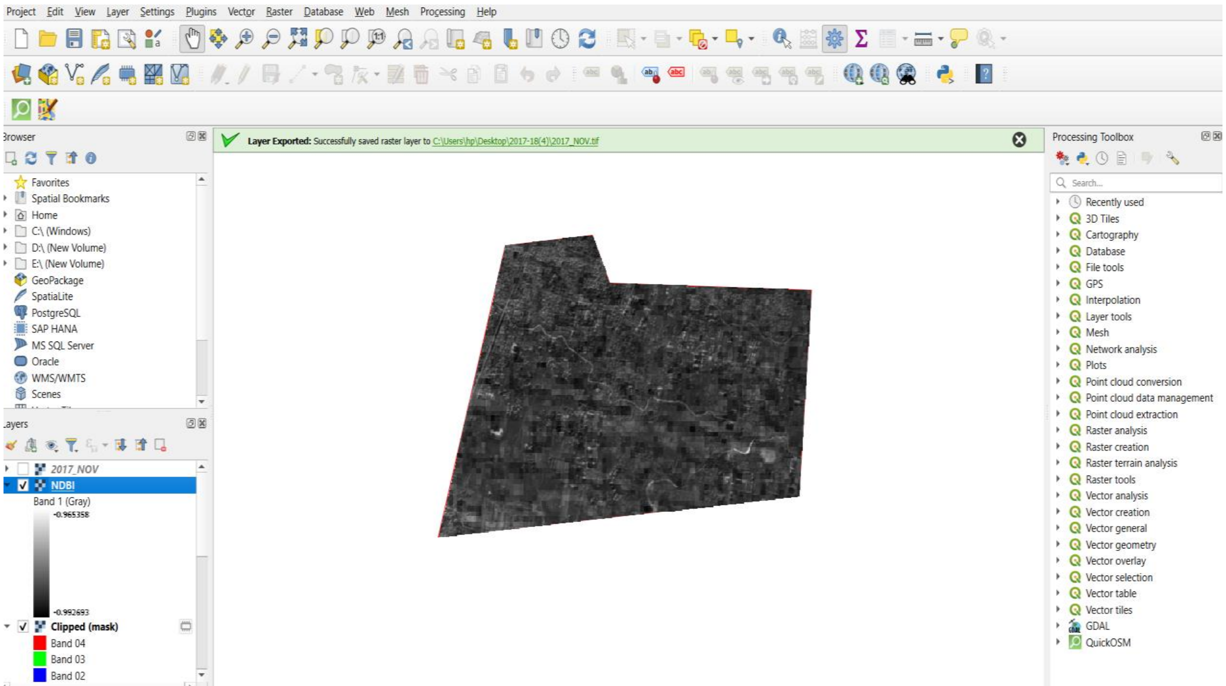

Fig 7. Single Band Combination

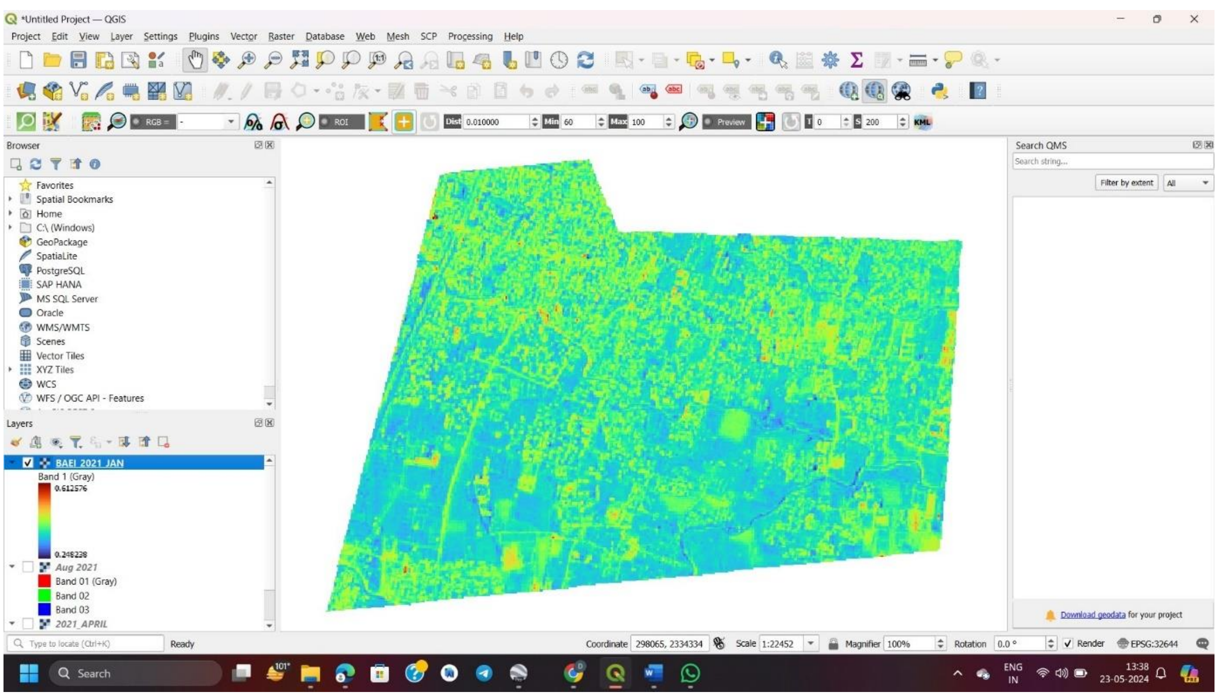

Fig 8. Muticolor Band Combination

2.8 RESULT

CLASSIFICATION:

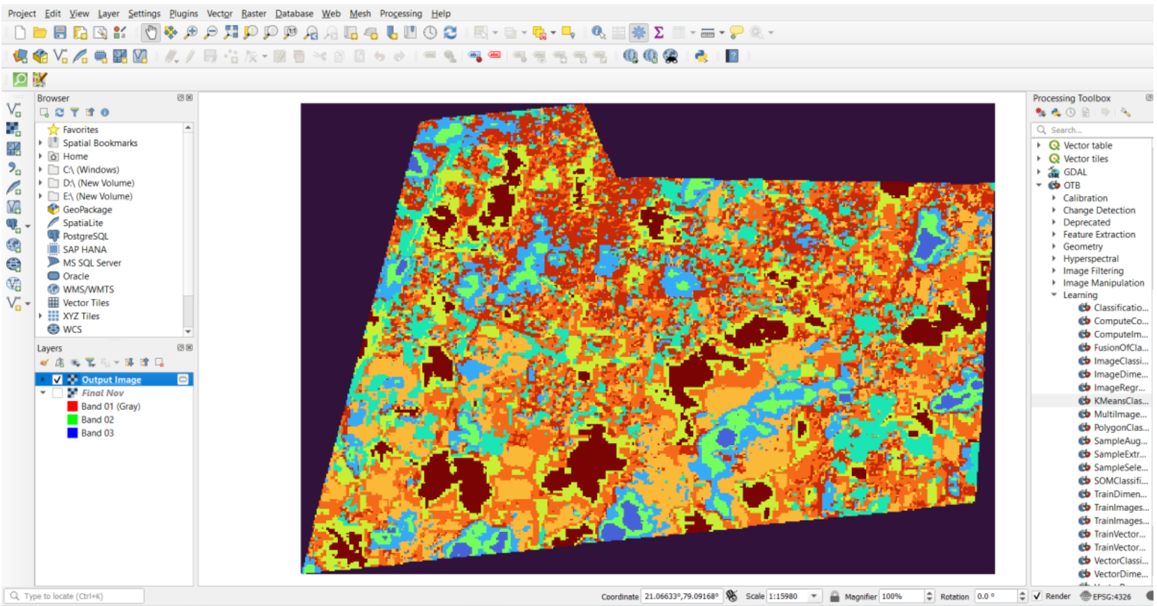

Fig 9. Class Classification I

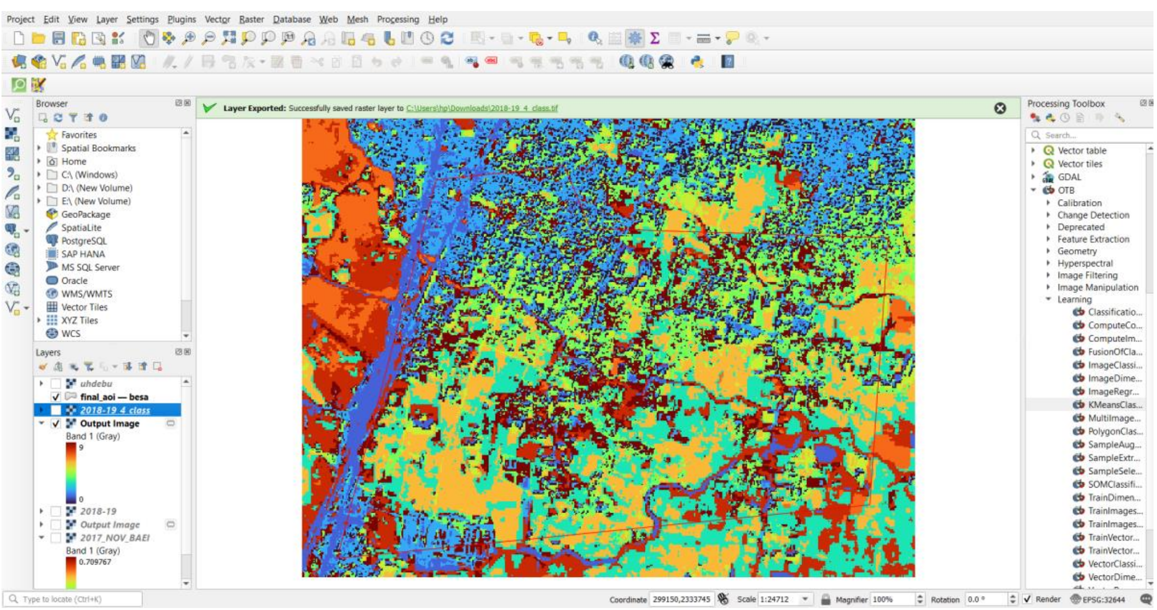

Fig 10. Classification II

2.9 CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this LULC Change Detection project has provided valuable insights into the dynamic nature of the studied landscape, contributing to a deeper understanding of land use changes over time. Through the integration of advanced geospatial technologies and comprehensive analysis methodologies, we have gained significant knowledge that has implications for environmental monitoring, resource management, and sustainable development. As we conclude this phase of the project, we recognize the need for ongoing research, collaboration, and data-sharing initiatives to address emerging challenges and contribute to the global discourse on sustainable land use practices. LULC change detection is a powerful tool that provides essential insights for managing the complexities of urbanization.

Continued advancements in data acquisition, processing technologies, and analytical methods will further enhance the capabilities and applications of LULC change detection, making it an integral part of urban planning and environmental management strategies worldwide. Through collaborative efforts and innovative approaches, LULC change detection will continue to play a pivotal role in creating resilient and sustainable urban environments. LULC change detection is a powerful tool that provides essential insights for managing the complexities of urbanization. By leveraging advanced technologies and comprehensive datasets, stakeholders can effectively monitor urban growth, assess environmental impacts, and make informed decisions to foster sustainable urban development. Continued advancements in data acquisition, processing technologies, and analytical methods will further enhance the capabilities and applications of LULC change detection, making it an integral part of urban planning and environmental management strategies worldwide. Through collaborative efforts and innovative approaches, LULC change detection will continue to play a pivotal role in creating resilient and sustainable urban environments.

2.10 FUTURE SCOPE

1. Enhanced Spatial and Temporal Resolution

Advancements:

Higher Resolution Satellites: The development of new satellite missions offering higher spatial and temporal resolution will allow for more detailed and frequent monitoring of urban areas. These satellites will provide more granular data, enabling the detection of subtle changes in land cover.

Constellations of Small Satellites: The proliferation of small satellite constellations, such as those operated by Planet Labs, will increase data availability and revisit frequency, providing near real-time monitoring capabilities.

Impact:

mproved detection of rapid and small-scale changes.

Enhanced ability to monitor urban dynamics and infrastructure development.

2. Integration of Multi-Source Data

Advancements:

Data Fusion: Combining data from various sources, including optical, radar, and LiDAR, to create comprehensive and multi-dimensional datasets. This approach can overcome the limitations of individual sensors and provide richer information.

Crowdsourced and VGI Data: Leveraging volunteer geographic information (VGI) and crowdsourced data to supplement satellite observations, especially in regions with limited data availability.

Impact:

More accurate and complete LULC maps.

Increased ability to validate and refine remote sensing data.

3. Machine Learning and AI Applications

Advancements:

Deep Learning: Utilization of deep learning algorithms for image classification, change detection, and pattern recognition. Techniques such as convolutional neural networks (CNNs) can significantly improve the accuracy and automation of LULC mapping.

Automated Analysis: Development of automated workflows for processing and analyzing large volumes of satellite data, reducing the time and effort required for manual analysis.

Impact:

Enhanced accuracy and efficiency of LULC change detection.

Ability to handle large-scale and complex datasets.

4. Real-Time and Predictive Analytics

Advancements:

Real-Time Monitoring: Implementation of systems that provide real-time LULC change detection, enabling timely decision-making and response to emerging issues.

Predictive Modeling: Development of predictive models using historical LULC data and machine learning to forecast future land use changes and urban growth patterns.

Impact:

Proactive urban planning and disaster management.

Better anticipation of future development trends and environmental impacts.

5. Cloud Computing and Big Data Analytics

Advancements:

Cloud-Based Platforms: Increased use of cloud computing platforms like Google Earth Engine, Amazon Web Services (AWS), and Microsoft Azure for large-scale geospatial data analysis. These platforms offer powerful computing resources and tools for handling big data.

Big Data Integration: Integration of diverse big data sources, including social media, economic data, and environmental sensors, to enrich LULC change detection analyses.

Impact:

Scalable and efficient processing of vast datasets.

Enhanced analytical capabilities through integration of diverse data sources

6. Improved Accessibility and Usability

Advancements:

User-Friendly Interfaces: Development of intuitive and user-friendly software interfaces and mobile applications to make LULC data and analysis tools accessible to non-experts.

Open Data Initiatives: Expansion of open data initiatives to provide free and easy access to high-quality LULC data, supporting a wide range of applications and stakeholders.

Impact:

Broader adoption of LULC change detection by various sectors.

Increased public and community engagement in urban planning and environmental monitoring.

7. Enhanced Policy and Decision Support

Advancements:

Decision Support Systems (DSS): Integration of LULC change detection with decision support systems to provide actionable insights for policymakers and planners.

Impact Assessment Tools: Development of tools to assess the social, economic, and environmental impacts of land use changes, facilitating more informed policy decisions.

Impact:

Better-informed and evidence-based policy making.

Improved sustainability and resilience of urban environments.

By embracing these advancements and future directions, LULC change detection will continue to evolve, providing even more powerful tools and insights for managing urban growth, protecting the environment, and promoting sustainable development.

CHAPTER – 3

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APPENDICES

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