

WHEN?

Saturday, March 23

1:00pm-4:00pm

Snacks and refreshments will be available

WHERE?

The GISc Lab

Gillet Hall 322

Lehman College

250 Bedford Park Blvd. West

Bronx, NY 10468

4 or D train to

Bedford Park Blvd

Join us for an Open Data

MAP-A-THON FOR NEPAL

Nepal is known as the home of Mt. Everest; rich in culture, spirituality and tradition. It is also one of the most exposed countries to natural hazards. The capital city of Kathmandu—that contains eight UNESCO-listed heritage sites—is extremely vulnerable to earthquakes. A mega-earthquake is predicted to strike at any time with catastrophic effects. An important lesson the 2010 Haiti earthquake has provided is that a readily accessible online map greatly helps in disaster preparation, mitigation, and recovery.

Basic computer skills are helpful, but NO MAPPING OR GIS EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY AT ALL TO PARTICIPATE!!!

Some very basic information about what we are doing:

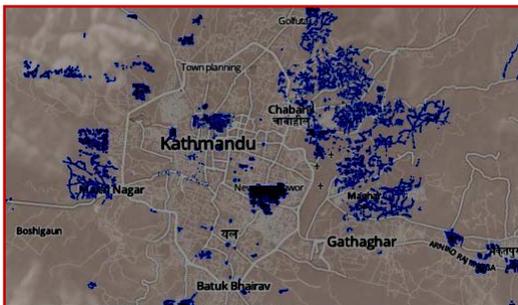
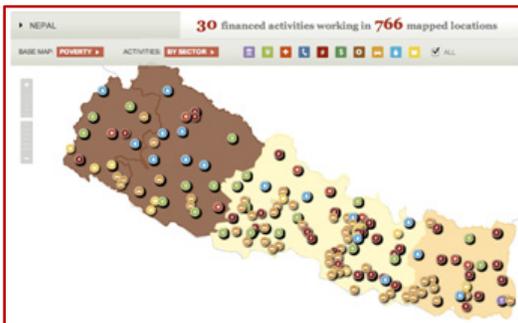
OSM and Open Data for Resilience Initiative (OpenDRI)

OpenDRI Nepal supports evidence-based, innovative solutions to disaster and urban issues by creating data that is open and accessible to the public.

OpenDRI Nepal uses www.openstreetmap.org (OSM) as a mapping platform to collect urban structural data. This data will facilitate a seismic risk assessment to inform decision-making in Nepal's disaster risk management.

OSM can be thought of as a Wikipedia map and is run by a self-organized community of volunteers. OSM democratizes the production and use of map data. Unlike other maps such as Google Maps, Yahoo Maps, or Bing Maps, no individual or organization owns OSM. This data is free for anyone to download, use, and mash-up.

Come join us to help with a good cause, and learn about an exciting area of technology that YOU can be a part of!



To learn more about OSM Nepal please visit www.osmnepal.org and the Facebook page OSM Nepal

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