Closing up the Gap: Five Year Plan for Cadastral Data Management in Delta State of Nigeria

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SUMMARY

Wikipedia states that Delta State is 17,698 kilometer square in area with 4,112,445 in population; the State has about 90 kilometers coastline. The Geography of Delta State gives a well drained low land close to the coastline with gentle gradient increase upland. Land Administration is government responsibility for good governance and sustainability. The Office of State Surveyor General is saddled with the responsibility of land measurements by records keeping; the management of the records; general policies making pertaining to the Land Information and the records. Land Surveying as a profession is the art and science of land measurements; and we need to put the profession on a good pedestal to move forward on a positive direction for good Land Administration. Cadastral Surveying is the fulcrum of Land Surveying in Land Administration and Management; this is of great importance due to the property ownership; urbanization and general environmental effects of Human Geographical forms and processes. Cadastral Surveying in Delta State will be the point of focus for this presentation for obvious reasons. Our Cadastral Survey Practice in the state is very rudimentary and still of file and paper systems. The need to automate our system is the task we are about to set out on a FIVE YEAR PLAN.