

**Best Paper Award to Dr. Mukesh Kumar Tiwari, Assistant Professor,  
Department of Soil and Water Engineering, CAET, AAU, Godhra, in the  
15<sup>th</sup> ESRI India User Conference “Geo-Enabling Digital India” held  
During December 9-11, 2014 at Delhi.**

**Dr. Mukesh Kumar Tiwari**, Assistant Professor, Department of Soil and Water Engineering, College of Agricultural Engineering and Technology, AAU, Godhra, received the **Best Paper Award** for the research paper entitled “**Impact Assessment of Land Use Change on Runoff Generation using Remote Sensing & Geographical Information System**” authored by **Mukesh Kumar Tiwari, M. L. Gaur, Pappu Ram Siyag and Ankush Kumar**, presented in the **15<sup>th</sup> ESRI India User Conference “Geo-Enabling Digital India”** held During **December 9-11, 2014 at Delhi**.

The conference was organized by India’s leading Geographic Information System (GIS) Software & Solutions provider Esri India (a joint venture between NIIT Technologies Limited, and Esri Inc., USA). The conference was organized to provide insights into the ways GIS technology can be used in realizing the vision of Digital India.

The aim of the conference was to bring together GIS as well as ICT professionals, working across government, defence, academia and industry from different parts of the country. The forum had over 45 sessions with over 75 speakers; and more than 1000 delegates participated in the conference. Some of the key speakers for the event include: Mr. R S Sharma, Secretary, DeITY; Mr. R Chandarshekar, President, NASSCOM; Dr. Najammuuddin, Secretary General, IPTI; Mr. Lawrie Jordan, Director of Imagery, Esri Inc, USA.; Dr. (Mrs.) Vandana Sharma, DDG, NIC and Prof. Chetan Vaidya, Director, SPA Delhi.