Drones for building land title databases

Property rights in India are unclear and badly recorded. Though the genesis of the problem lies in the colonial period, they have persisted for years due to consistent lack of effort and attention by successive Governments. Land titling, which involves keeping a record of land titles and ensuring that the records are always true and reliable is a cornerstone of land administration. It is one of the ways of eliminating problems around land ownership and marketability of land rights.

Developments in technology can help solve this massive administrative problem. Drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles are being used extensively in land surveying and solving problems of land titling around the world. In India, use of drones for this purpose will first require coordination among various departments of the Central Government in order to ensure that drones are permitted to be used for such purpose. State Governments will have the primary responsibility of ensuring this, as land administration is a state subject under the Indian Constitution. The legal and administrative issues surrounding the use of this technology need to be carefully evaluated and assessed.

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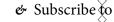
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