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Dr. Girish Gopinath, Professor & Head at Department of Climate Variability & Aquatic Ecosystem, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOS), Kochi, Kerala, has expertise in the research area of Geology and Geo-informatics. He has been working last 22 years in the area of application of geospatial technology in water resources management, natural hazards such as landslides, drought and coastal vulnerability. He is also expertise in the use hyperspectral remote sensing in vegetation characteristics and web based interactive spatial decision support systems. He has awarded his master's degree in Geology and also M-tech in Remote Sensing. After completing his PhD degree from Cochin University of Science and Technology, he has worked in international institution such Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat and also gained industrial experience from GEMS Int. N.V, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E as Senior Geologist/ Marine Specialist. He also worked at CWRDM, GoK as Principal Scientist at Geomatics and handling various R& D Projects and Training during his tenure. Handled more than 32 major research projects funded by national institutes such as MoESS, ISRO and DST Govt of India and state institutions such as CWRDM and KSCSTE Govt of Kerala. Published more than 101 research articles in various journals of national and international repute.

Teaching:

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Awards & Achievements:

• Awarded best research paper in the theme of "Remote Sensing Applications in Earth System Sciences" in International Conference on Frontiers in Marine Sciences (MARICON-2024) held at Cochin University of Science and Technology- April 2024.

- Awarded best research paper in the theme of "Scientific Social Responsibility" in student category of 36th Kerala Science Congress, Govt. of Kerala, held at Govt College Kasaragod- February 2024.
- Awarded 'AHI Phani Kishore Award' for best research paper by Association of Hydrologists of India 41st convention and
 National Seminar held at PSG institute of advanced studies December 2023
- Awarded best research paper award in National Seminar held at Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies- December
 2023

Ongoing Projects:

- Establishment of long term 1-hectare plots and its' inventory in Shimoga, Karnataka and Nilambur, Kerala for the validation of NISAR forest biomass products (Investigators: Dr. Girish Gopinath and Dr. Surendran U; Funding agency: under NISAR Science, SAC/ISRO, GoI, Budget 27.50 lakhs, Duration 5 years, October 2021 to October 2023)
- Centre for Climate Resilience and Environment Management (CCREM) (PI: Dr. Shijo Joseph, Co-PI: Dr. Girish Gopinath; Funding Agency KUFOS, Budget: 21 lakhs, Duration 5 years, March 2022 to March 2027)
- GIS-based aquaculture site suitability in Sarawak: Implications for guidelines and recommendation to the farmers and policymakers' (PI: Co-PI: Dr. Girish Gopinath; Funding Agency: Curtin University, Malaysia, Budget: 50000 RM, Duration 2 years, June 2023 to May 2025)

• Phase-II: Collection of Lidar and in situ data over long-term forest inventory plots in India for validation of NISAR forest biomass products (Investigators: Dr. Girish Gopinath and Dr. Surendran U; Funding agency: under NISAR Science, SAC/ISRO, GoI, Budget 44 lakhs, Duration 2 years, January 2024 2021 to October 2025)