HUMAN-WILDLIFE CONFLICT IN BASANTI CD BLOCK OF THE SUNDARBANS, WEST BENGAL

The study area is situated in the south-eastern region of the South 24 parganas, West Bengal State and eastern India. Basanti is one of the main deltaic islands in the Sundarbans region, bounded by the Matla and Vidyadhari rivers. Block has an area of 404.21 sq. km. Basanti cd block located at 22.09°N to 22.38°N and 88.35°E to 88.73°E.



The Normalized Difference Vegetation Index is referred to as **NDVI**. This remote sensing index is often utilized to evaluate the cover and health of plants. By quantifying the variations in how plants absorb and reflect light, the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (**NDVI**), which is computed using satellite or aerial photography, aids in the distinction between areas with and without vegetation.











In remote sensing, building densities are mapped and built-up and non-built areas are distinguished using the Normalized Difference Built-Up Index (NDBI). It includes using the variations in spectral reflectance of metropolitan areas to analyze satellite imagery, especially Landsat data, to distinguish between developed and undeveloped areas. The NDBI is essential for urban planning and settlement change monitoring. This index is crucial for remote sensing applications since it is used to evaluate population estimates, land use changes, and urban growth in different regions.



Lakes, rivers, and wetlands are among the water bodies that the NDWI is intended to detect and track. It uses vegetation's and water's reflectance qualities to set water apart from other forms of land cover. Specifically, it leverages the difference in how water reflects green light compared to nearinfrared (NIR) light. The amount of water has decreased in the current years as compared to the previous years.



