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HONG KONG PLANNING DEPARTMENT SELECTS SUPERSURV

The **Hong Kong Planning Department** have selected the **Supergeo Technologies SuperSurv for Android** for field survey works. The Planning Department is now providing accurate urban land-use data in order to plan long-term policies. Old houses in Hong Kong have become dangerous, and flawed the city's appearance due to the ignorance of construction over years. The planning department has been actively promoting the city renewal and rebuild project. With the GIS data collec-

tion app, SuperSurv for Android, field workers can either capture data with built-in GPS of smart devices, or use external GNSS devices to elevate accuracy. The app can also connect with server GIS to timely update on-site situation for officers to make decisions. The offline function of SuperSurv is being useful to assist field workers to collect data, document the progress of work in internet-free environment and maintain the city appearance in efficiency. www.supergeotek.com

SSTL DELIVERS FIRST OF THE FORMOSAT-7 CONSTELLATION SPACECRAFT TO TAIWAN

Surrey Satellite Technology Ltd (SSTL) has delivered the first spacecraft for the **FORMOSAT-7/COSMIC-2** weather forecasting constellation to the **National Space Organization (NSPO) in Taiwan**, where it has successfully passed a series of systems checks. The payloads for the spacecraft are being supplied by NSPO's mission partner, the **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)** in the United States, and they will be integrated

to the platforms in Taiwan where a full set of spacecraft system tests will be performed. **Luis Gomes, Director of Earth Observation at SSTL**, commented "The delivery of the first of the FORMOSAT-7 spacecraft to our customer is an important milestone in the programme. SSTL is continuing to work on the assembly of an additional five platforms for the constellation at our cleanrooms here in the UK and at the NSPO site in Taiwan." www.sstl.co.uk

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CHC INTRODUCES THE LT500 SERIES GNSS HANDHELD

CHC announces the availability of the **LT500** series of **handheld GPS receivers**. The **LT500 series LT500N / LT500T/LT500H** covers three accuracy ranges from sub-meter to centimeter accuracy and is the most cost-effective full GNSS positioning solution for Survey, Construction and GIS professionals. Powered by the **Windows® Embedded Handheld 6.5 operating system**, the LT500 is accurate, rugged and versatile. User productivity is greatly enhanced with the built-in gyroscope, an innovative laser plummet for positioning the accurate hand-held receiver over a point, an E-compass for showing the direction and G-sensors for leveling. "CHC's LT500 series is our brand new GNSS handheld which has amazing features and specifications. It meets more customers' needs with more options and affordable prices." says **George Zhao, CEO of CHC**. "The introduction of the LT500 demonstrates CHC's commitment to provide the GIS community with a full spectrum of rugged, cost-effective professional GPS handhelds." www.chcnv.com

AAM GROUP EXPANDS ITS OPERATIONS TO INDIA

At a ceremony held in the New Delhi, **AAM Group** entered a partnership with **Mr. Srinivasa Murthy** to create **AAM India**. Talking to the media after signing the partnership agreement **Mr. Mark Freeburn, Global CEO, AAM Group**, said, "The new entity will focus its energies to provide excellence in data acquisition, processing and delivery across the geospatial spectrum. We will provide 3D City models to broad area geospatial information at a state-wide level. We plan to work with other Indian geospatial companies to provide a new level of technology to support India's growth". **Mr. Srinivasa Murthy, President and Executive Director AAM India**, said, "The partnership will not only bring in leading edge technology but will also bring in investments that will aid in ramping up the infrastructural needs and manpower". www.aamgroup.com