

PREFACE

The present work on “Integrated Coastal Zone Management for Tuticorin Coast, Tamil Nadu, India: Using Geo-Spatial Technology” speaks the present status of physical, economica and social phenomena of Tuticorin coastal zone. This Coastal zone is a part of Coramandal coast of India. This zone is demarcated into 27 ecosystems based on geomorphology. The ecosystems are further divided into 317 Ecological Mapping Units (EMUs) due to their uniqueness to assess the strength and weakness in order to understand the present management of the coastal zone which falls under four Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) formulated by India. The present study concludes that the coastal ecosystem based management would be fruitful in bringing a detailed coastal plan map (lacking) rather than simply following Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ).
