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## Australian Company wins tender for new high-tech weather satellite systems for the Indian Meteorological Department

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Environmental Systems & Services Pty Ltd (ES&S) is pleased to announce a \$1.5 million contract with the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) for new high-tech X and L band weather satellite systems. These comprise three new ground stations and associated software for data processing and display.

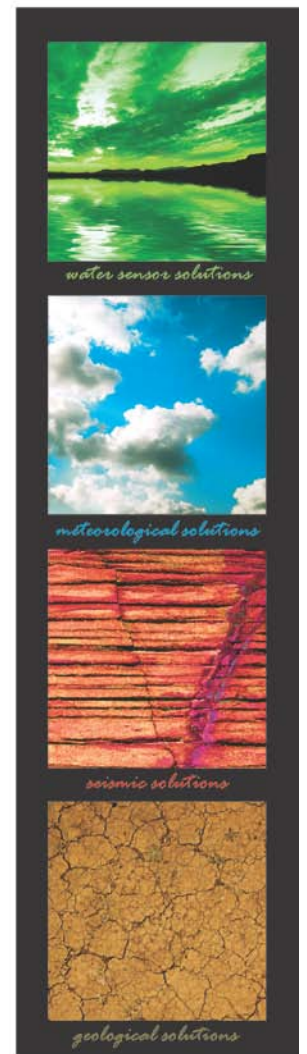
Weather and climate services throughout India and the surrounding Indian Ocean will benefit from the new systems which will be used by the IMD to monitor and forecast severe weather such as tropical cyclones and monsoons and for special applications such as droughts and climate change.

Remote sensing from space is becoming a critically important input to the forecasting and monitoring process. These new systems will give the IMD state-of-the-art tools and data.

ES&S, based in the Melbourne suburb of Richmond, has designed and manufactured weather satellite systems for 20 years and exported systems to more than a dozen countries in Asia and the Pacific.

The IMD assessed the ES&S systems as representing the best value-for-money against competitors from the US and Europe after an extensive international tendering process.

Development of these new X-band systems was assisted by a \$2.25 million Research and Development START Grant awarded to ES&S by the Australian Government in 2002. Following the successful R&D project, the new systems have been deployed in Australia, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Pakistan, Malaysia, Indonesia and New Zealand.



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