Policy and Legal Issues/Challenges in Geospatial Information Management in PNG

Back ground:  Department of Lands & Physical Planning in PNG (DLPP)
Political Level: Cabinet Minister for DLPP
Administration Level: Secretary for DLPP

- 13 divisional directors
- 2 divisions that deal with Geospatial information management
  - National Mapping Bureau – (25 staff)
  - Office of Surveyor General (40 Staff)

1. Need to review Relevant Acts
   - Survey Act 1967
   - Survey Regulation 170
   - Survey Coordination Act 1967
   - Survey Coordination 1969
   - Place Names Act 1969

2. Need a Policy to:
   - enable National Bureau to the Geospatial Information Storage or Data Bank for PNG

3. 
3. Government does not give priority to Geospatial Information profession/agencies

4. Licensing of Geospatial Information
   ❖ currently have contract of sales agreement
   ❖ Royalty agreement with company in USA

Challenges:
   ❖ Consider to review some of those agreements after learning from this workshop
   ❖ develop new license agreement for online products and services

5. Issue with infrastructure/hardware and software license Agreements