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System to detect landslides installed.

Saturday, 13.06.2009, 09:37am (GMT)

Kochi: India has developed a system - wireless sensor network system- designed to detect landslides at least 24 hours ahead of its occurrence. The device has been set up at Munnar in the high range Idukki district of Kerala where eight persons had lost their lives in 2005 landslides. The system was developed by Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham University as part of a research project, 'WINSOC' (Wireless Sensor Network with Self Organisation Capabilities for Critical and Emergency applications).

The device is the product of a concerted effort of a consortium of 11 partners from eight countries including Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham University and ISRO's commercial arm Antrix, Dr Venkat Rangan, the University vice-chancellor, and Paolo Capodiecì of Selex communications, Italy, the overall coordinator of the project, told reporters here today. The total budget of the project is 3.5 million Euros, 60 per cent which has been contributed by the European Union and the rest by different partners, Capodiecì said.

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