UNIT- 2: UNDERSTANDING MAPS

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2.1 LEARNING OBJECTIVES

After going through this unit, you will be able to-

- explain the meaning of a map
- identify the map properties
- explain about different types of maps
- explain the significance of maps in the present times

2.2 INTRODUCTION

In the previous unit we have discussed the basics of geoinformatics. This unit focuses on the meaning of a map and how it differs from a sketch. In this unit you are going to learn about the different properties and types of maps. This unit also deals with the present day significance of maps.