Geography

Different Backgrounds, Common Ground

Introduction

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In this module we will:

- find out about **Miriam Hyman** and her connection with **Odisha in India.**
- find out about the state of **Odisha.**
- explore **conflicts of interest** over land and natural resources.
- **relate our geographical enquiry of Odisha to other situations**, including our own location and life.

Miriam “Mim” Hyman was a gifted artist and had lots of other strengths. She was killed in the “7/7” London bombings on 7th July, 2005 at the age of 32.

The Miriam Hyman Children's Eye Care Centre (MHCECC) is Miriam’s memorial in India. Opened in 2008, it is in the L V Prasad Eye Institute.

The MHCECC is in Odisha, one of 28 Indian states.

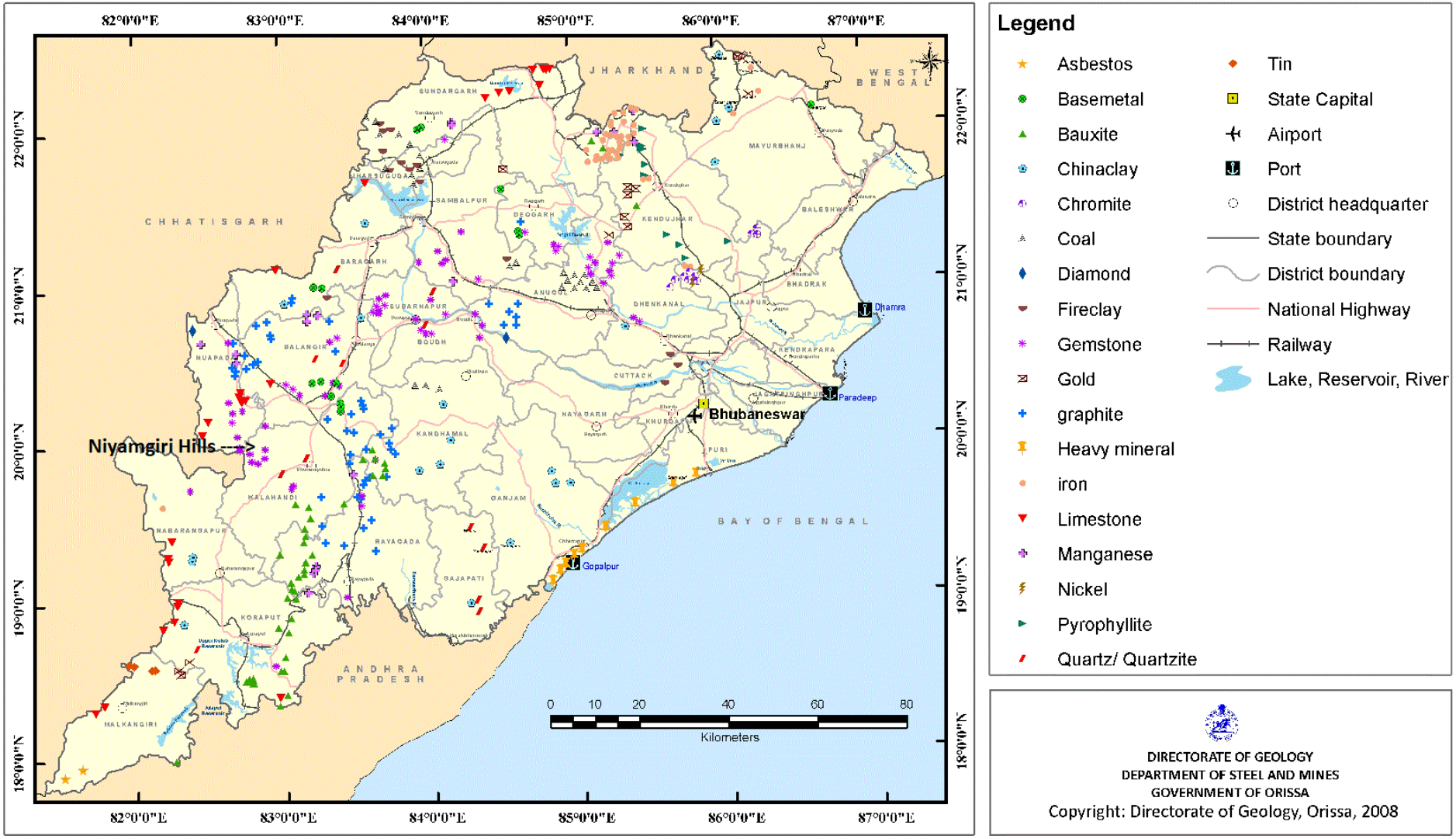
Its name was officially changed from “Orissa” in 2012.

The MHCECC is in Bhubaneswar, the capital city of the state of Odisha.

Pipili is a small town approximately 25 kilometres south of Bhubaneswar.

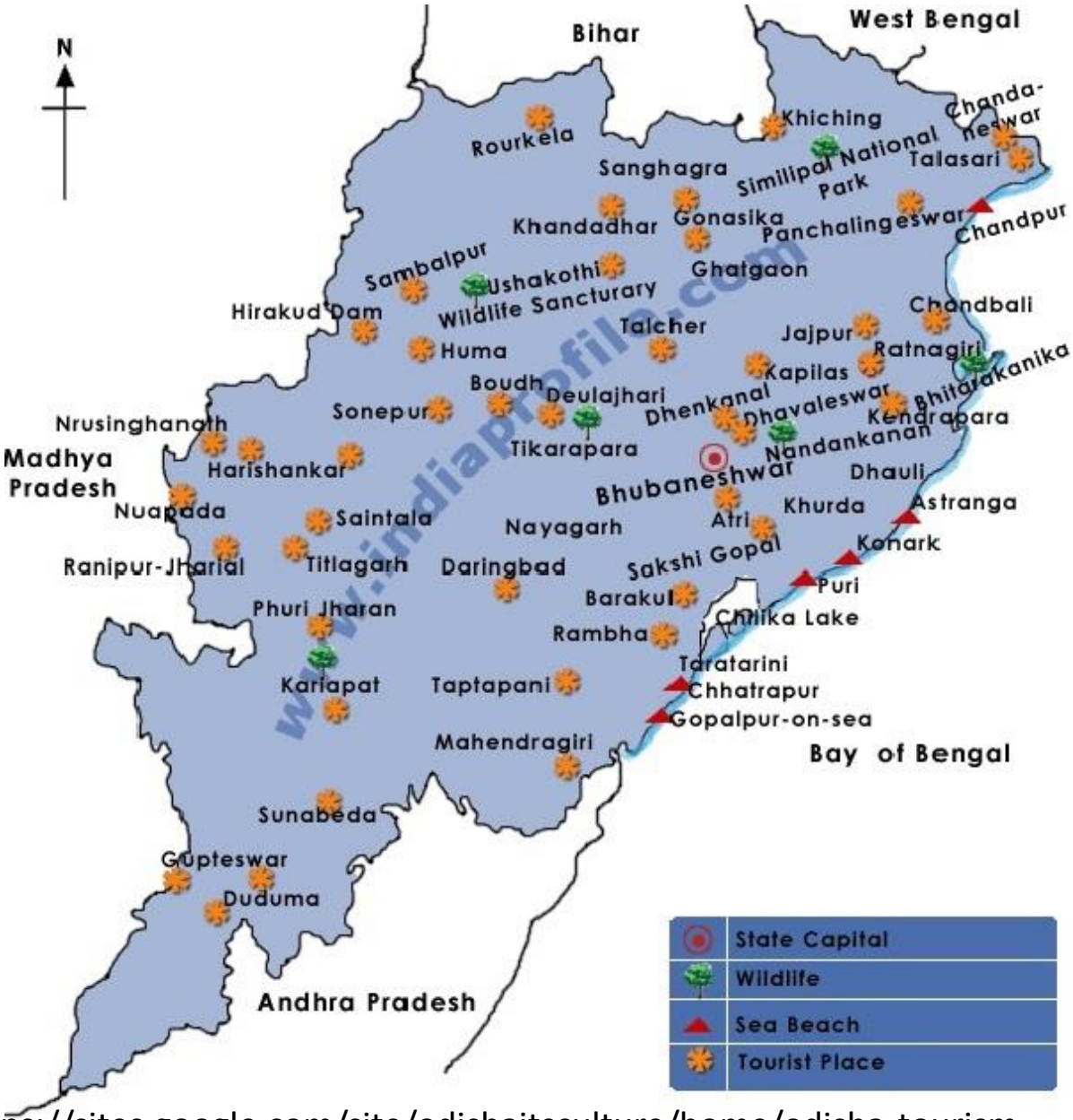
The population of Pipili is around 15,000. Most of its inhabitants depend on income from the production of hand crafted appliqué items, like the popular lanterns in this photo.

Another source of income for the region is mineral mining.



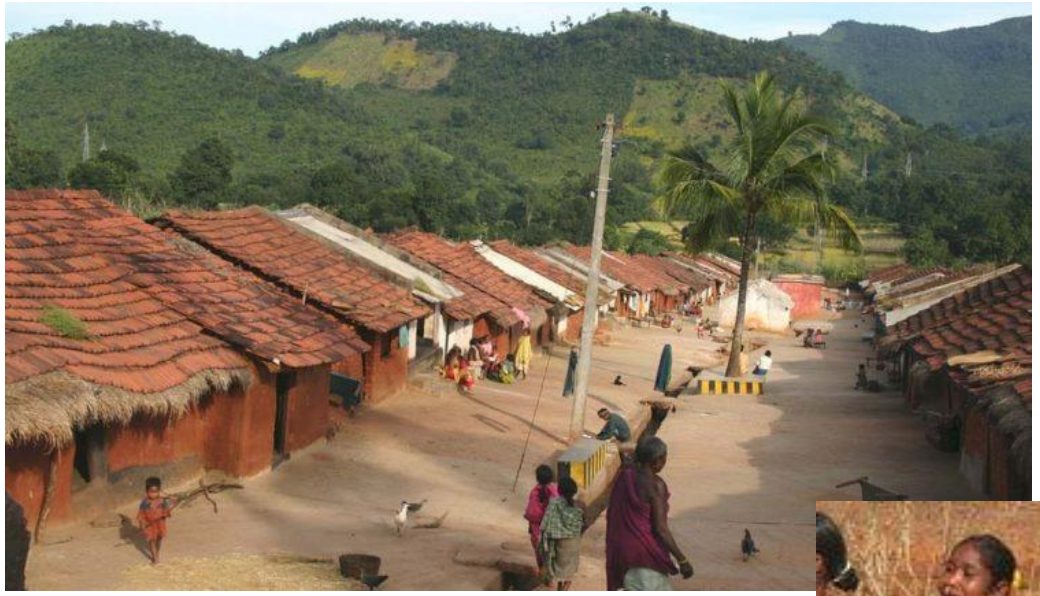
Source: https://www.odishaminerals.gov.in/sites/Geology/Mineralmap.aspx?GL=download&PL=2

And, of course, tourism.



Source: https://sites.google.com/site/odishaitsculture/home/odisha-tourism

As well as the rest of the population, there are indigenous tribes in Odisha. Their word for “tribes” or “tribal” is ***Adivasi***.



As well as getting most of their food and medicines from their environment, the Adivasi believe in “sacred groves”, or holy natural places in the mountains and forests.

Source: https://indiantribalheritage.org/?p=1987#gsc.tab=0

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Geographical Enquiry

Using the theme **Different Backgrounds, Common Ground**, examine:

- **Odisha's geography.**
- **how human and economic processes influence landscapes, environments and the climate.**
- **conflicts of interest, especially over resources.**
- **how to try to resolve conflicts of interest.**

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A Response to the 2005 London Bombings

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