





## 3D Mapping of the Great Mosque of Touba and 2D Mapping of Flood Zones

Ndamatou location

Touba watersheds and drainage network



Land use in Ndamatou (Yonou Darou) Land use in Darou Khoudoss (Keur Welle) Senegal Flying Labs team

OVERVIEW	
Flying laboratories	Senegal Flying Labs
Geographical area	Touba
Date range	13th to 16th March, 2023





Sector program	DevRobotics
Main SDGs	GOAL 3: Good health and well-being
	GOAL 6: Clean water and sanitation
	GOAL 9: Industry, innovation and infrastructure
	GOAL 11: Sustainable cities and communities

SCOPE	
Project stakeholders	Touba Town Hall
People affected	<ul> <li>Short-term affected population – Darou Khoudoss (Keur Welle), Ndamatou (Yonou Darou) and Ndam.</li> <li>Population affected in the long term – residents of Touba town.</li> </ul>
Number of people	Approximately 1 million residents of Darou Khoudoss, Ndamatou,
affected	Ndam and Touba.
Problem statement	<ul> <li>As the holy city of Touba grows, so do its sanitation problems. During the rainy season, the streets are almost cut off by surface runoff while some houses are submerged.</li> <li>The worrying terrain causes distress to the residents of Touba, with 57 neighborhoods experiencing flooding.</li> <li>Currently, there is no permanent solution to this problem despite attempts to use emptying trucks, motor pumps, and retention basins, which have not proved effective. With every downpour, moving around the holy city becomes difficult and nearly impossible.</li> </ul>
Project objectives	The objective of this mission is to have a 3D map of the Great Mosque of Touba and also a 2D map of certain target flood zones.
Scope	<ul> <li>The activities undertaken to achieve the project objectives were divided into four stages:</li> <li>Community involvement: This entailed organizing a meeting with the Touba Mosque commune authorities to inform the communities in advance of the activity that will take place.</li> <li>Collection mission planning: The team prepared equipment, planned flight missions, and examined weather conditions.</li> </ul>





	• Site mapping: Using the Phantom 4 V2 RTK drone, we
	followed the flight path and collected high-resolution
	images at each time interval.
	<ul> <li>Image processing: Data collected was processed by</li> </ul>
	photogrammetry software.
Outcomes	<ul> <li>In total, 121.9 ha were mapped, resulting in 4632</li> </ul>
	high-resolution images (90 GB of raw data).
	• The results obtained in the short term enabled us to
	identify flood-prone areas, buildings under construction
	or abandoned, bare plots of land, and to detect damage
	to roads, networks, building permits, and so on.
Impact	Our project results will enable us to propose long term solutions
	to reduce the risk of flooding in Touba. These include preventing
	the risk of flooding and strengthening the work of the tax
	authorities by creating a spatial database for the city of Touba.
Challenges	On the first day of data collection, we encountered some major
	problems with the calibration of the gimbal and Inertial
	Measuring Unit (IMU). The process to acquire flight authorization
	was slow, therefore, we engaged the Xiidmatoul Khadim Dahira (a
	religious organization) in charge of Touba's Grand Mosque to
	ensure we had flight authorization from the Mayor or a member
	of his cabinet.
	Finally, so as not to waste the day, we decided to start with 2D
	mapping of flood-prone areas such as Darou Khoudoss, where we
	set off first to plan our first flight mission.
	After lengthy negotiations, we were able to obtain authorization
	to begin 3D mapping of the Grand Mosque of Touba, but after
	viewing the 3D images of the Grand Mosque we decided to re-do
	the mission in order to obtain clearer images.
Next steps	Follow-up with stakeholders on data use and large-scale mapping
	of Touba and its environs.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND STAKEHOLDER SUPPORT	
Consent for data	On our first visit, we met the town's mayor, Mr. Abdoul Akhad KA,
acquisition	to explain why we had targeted the town of Touba, and we
	agreed to begin the necessary steps to start the collection
	mission.
Community	We met with Mr. Guorgui Mbaye, the Cabinet Director of the
involvement activities	Mayor of the Touba Mosque Commune, to discuss the objectives





	of the mission and also to provide us with some information on
	the areas to be mapped. He then put us in touch with Ms. Ngone
	Ndiaye Diouf, a road network agent, who joined the Senegal
	Flying Labs team and accompanied us throughout the data
	collection mission.
Community groups	Touba community in general.
engaged with	
Community	Seven (7) people attended the meeting.
attendance	
Community feedback	The community representatives recommended starting the
	mapping exercise in the center, then extending to the outskirts of
	the city.
Stakeholder support	The team explained the software and maps produced and
	proposed a certification training for the focal points.

DATA ACQUISITION	
Zone size	• Darou Khoudoss: 34.3 ha (0.343 km <sup>2</sup> )
	• The Great Mosque of Touba: 27.6 ha (0.276 km <sup>2</sup> )
	• Ndam: 30 ha (0.3 km <sup>2</sup> )
	• Ndamatou: 30 ha (0.3 km <sup>2</sup> )
Drone	Phantom 4 RTK
Sensor(s)	CMOS
Flight plan software	DJI GS RTK
Flight height	Darou Khoudoss: 70 m
	• The Great Mosque of Touba: 120 m
	• Ndam: 70 m
	Ndamatou: 70 m
GSD (Accuracy)	Darou Khoudoss: 1.92cm/pixel
	The Great Mosque of Touba: 3.29cm/pixel
	Ndam: 1.92cm/pixel
	Ndamatou: 1.92cm/pixel
Number of images	Darou Khoudoss: 1555
acquired	<ul> <li>The Great Mosque of Touba: 1499</li> </ul>
	• Ndam: 201
	Ndamatou: 1377
Number of flights	<ul> <li>Darou Khoudoss: 5 flights/day</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Touba Grand Mosque: 5 flights/day</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Ndam: 2 flights/day</li> </ul>





	<ul> <li>Ndamatou: 4 flights/day</li> </ul>
Time invested in data	Darou Khoudoss: 63m 10s
acquisition	The Great Mosque of Touba: 48m 23s
	• Ndam: 54m 55s
	Ndamatou: 55m 18s
Georeferencing	N/A

DATA PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS	
Processing software	PIX4Dmapper
	ArcGIS 10.5
Processing time	4 days
Data products	<ul> <li>An orthomosaic of the targeted areas</li> </ul>
	Digital Terrain Model
	Digital Surface Model
	Point clouds
Analysis tools	ArcGIS 10.5
	Global Cartographer
Analysis outputs	<ul> <li>Map of hydrographic networks and watersheds</li> </ul>
	Land use map
Final outputs shared	Mapping report
with stakeholders	
Data sharing	Hard disk