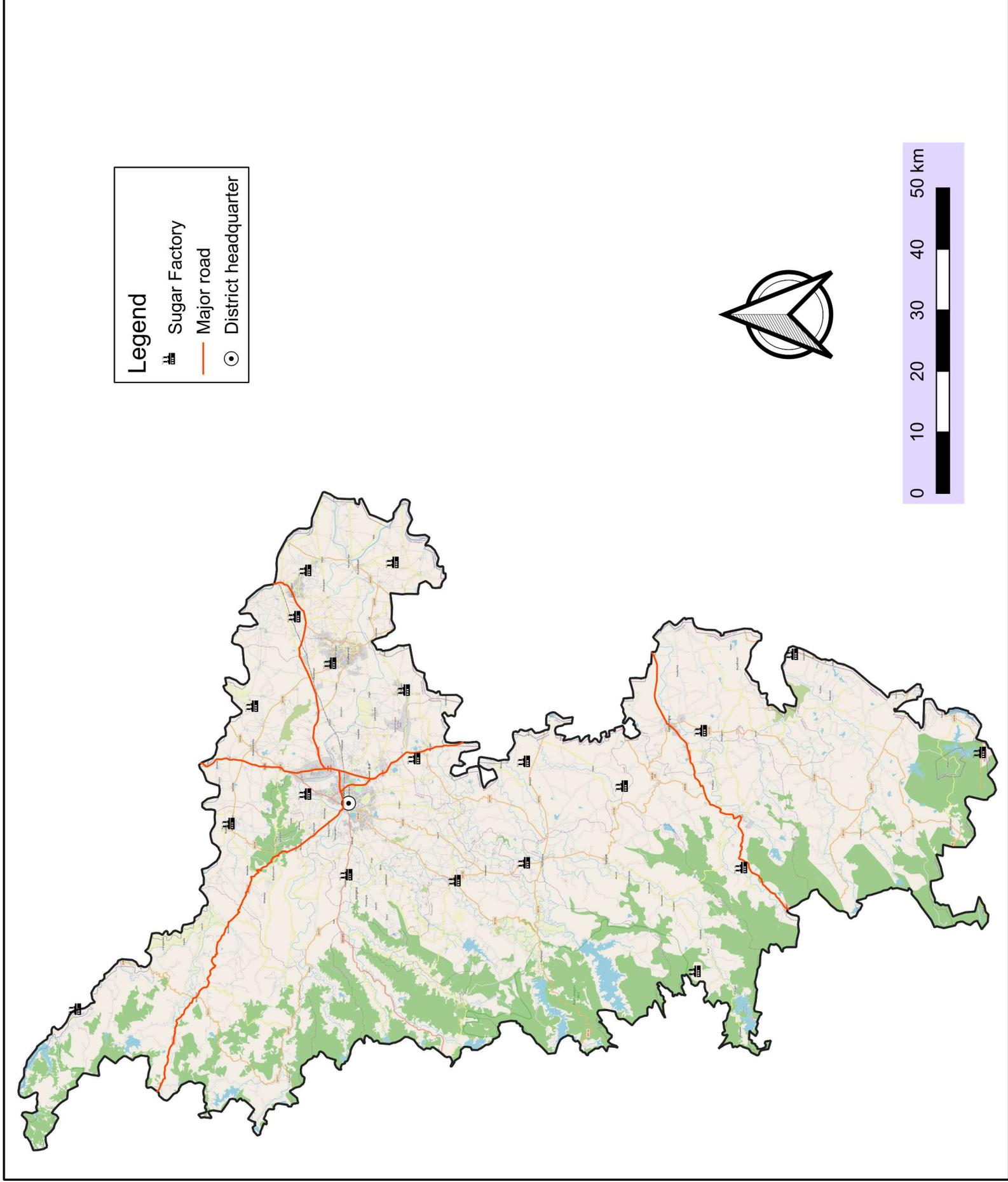


Title: Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana (Sugar Factory) in Kolhapur District



Map description and analysis

Introduction:

Kolhapur district is one of the popular districts for sugarcane farms and sugar factories in Maharashtra. Almost every farmer in Kolhapur district own a piece of land for sugarcane production. For some farmers, sugarcane is the only source of income in family. It is a 'cash crop' for every farmer in Kolhapur district.

Sugar Factory:

- There are more than 25 sugar factories in Kolhapur district out of which 20 are mapped in this map.
- Some of these factories run on co-operative association called 'Shetkari Sahakari' (Farmer's co-operative).
- Some sugar factories are built in cities near national highways. To make the export of sugarcane easy and to reduce cost of export, lot of farmers buy piece of land nearby a sugar factory.
- Tehsils like Karveer, Kagal, Hatkanagle and Shirol holds the maximum sugar factories on the list, however, famers around the district prefer to export their sugarcane to a factory which gives them maximum profit.
- Sugar factories are owned by political people and social workers around the Kolhapur district.

Transportation:

- The intention behind mapping a national is to specify a fastest route through the district and to show which factory resides near a national Highway.
- The National Highways like NH48 & NH166

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