

National Online Meet on Development of Geographical Institutions in India

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Background of the Meet

Indian geography is growing slowly but steadily over the past one hundred years of its existence in the country. There are a number of geography associations in the country, some are very old and some relatively new. These regional and national level geographical institutions have limited inter and intra-level networks between them. There are equally a sizeable number of journals published by these institutions in geography and allied fields, but only a few are indexed in reputed databases. There is a need to assemble and discuss the issues and prospects for symbiotic development of all such institutions and their publications, keeping in view the dynamic nature of the discipline. Under these circumstances, the Indian Geographical Society (IGS) is intended to host a national level online meet to discuss various issues and prospects for sustainable development of geographical institutions in India from 4th to 7th of September, 2020.

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About IGS

The Indian Geographical Society (IGS), the oldest Geographical Society in India, was established in Chennai (Madras) on 16.3.1926 at Presidency College Campus by a team of Indian and British Geographers, lead by Mr. N. Subrahmanyam M.A., L.T., F.R.G.S., the Chair of Geography at Teachers' College, Saidapet, Chennai. At present, the Society is housed at the Department of Geography, University of Madras, Chennai.

The IGS is bi-annually publishing The Indian Geographical Journal since 1926. From its inception, the Journal is maintaining its quality and contributing to the development of geography in various spheres of the discipline. In 1941, the Madras Geographical Journal was renamed as the Indian Geographical Journal, with the ambition to broaden its scope to a national level. The Society was very much appreciated by eminent British Geographers like Professors Fawcett, Ogilvie and Dudley Stamp. You may visit www.igschennai.org for further details about the activities of the Society.

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About the National Meet

The Meet aims at providing a platform for overall symbiotic development of various Geographical Institutions in India.

The common points for discussion by each institute/society in the Meet include:

1. **Name and Address of the Society / Association** (Registration Number, Website Address, Phone Number, Mail ID, etc.)
2. **Genesis / Formation of the Society / Association** (Year and Place of Establishment, Founders, etc.)
3. **Details of Recent General Body / Executive Council Meeting Held** (Date and Place, Important decisions taken, etc.)
4. **Members** (Number of Life Members, Annual Members, Institutional Members etc.)
5. **Awards Instituted** (Name of the Awards, Details of Awardees)
6. **Conferences / Seminar / Workshops Organised** (Annual / Occasional, Collaborating Agencies, Other details)
7. **Details of Competitions / Quiz / Tests conducted** (Geographical coverage, Level of participants (School/UG/PG), Mode of conduct (direct/online) etc.)

8. **Publications** (Journal, Books including Regional languages, Monographs / Proceedings with details of ISBN, ISSN, Impact Factor, UGC-CARE, Significant indexing, Sales procedure etc.)

9. **Your Society and National Educational Policy 2020** (Plan for Online meetings, Curriculum development support, e-content preparation, Webinars etc.)

10. **Any Other Points you wish to share regarding your Society / Association:**

Representatives of the respective institutions are requested to present their activities on the above line (approx. 30 minutes). It is requested to submit the said points to the organisers for documentation and further action.

Registration for Participation

There is no registration fee for the participation. The interested individuals may fill the online form to receive the link of the Online Meet. E-certificate will be issued to all the participated institutions and individuals.

Link: <https://forms.gle/b2ar3hvroQ8nKTZ49>

Last Date for Registration: 03.09.2020 (5:00 pm)

Event Coordinators

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Programme Schedule

DAY-1 - 04.09.2020 (Friday)

Session-1 Morning Session (10:00 am -12:30 pm)

- Welcome:** Prof. R. Jaganathan Organiser – IGS National Meet 2020
- About the Meet:** Prof. K. Kumaraswamy Organiser – IGS National Meet 2020
- Inauguration:** Prof. R. B. Singh Secretary General & Treasurer, International Geographical Union
- Prof. N. Sivagnanam President, The Indian Geographical Society, Chennai

Institution Presentation

Chairperson: Prof. N. Sivagnanam The Indian Geographical Society, Chennai

- The Indian Geographical Society, Chennai - Prof. K. Kumaraswamy
- Association of Geography Teachers of India, Chennai - Dr. R. Saraswathi
- Union of Geographic Information Technologists, Bengaluru - Prof. Ashok Hanjagi
- Kerala Geographical Society, Palakkad - Prof. P. K. Vijayan

Session-2 Afternoon Session (3:00 pm - 5:30 pm)

Institution Presentation

Chairpersons: Prof. Praveen G. Saptarshi & Dr. N. Balasaheb Gophane

Maharashtra Bhugolshastra Parishad, Pune

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- The Bombay Geographical Association, Mumbai - Prof. SV Chawan, Prof. V.S. Phadke, Prof. B.B. Sonule
- Geographers Association Goa, Goa - Dr. Prabir Kumar Rath
- Karnataka Geographers Association, Bagakot - Dr. Siddharam S. Hangaragi
- Telengana Geographical Society, Hyderabad - Dr. Mohd Akhter Ali & Dr. R. Sudhakar Goud
- Solapur Bhoogol Shikshak Sangh, Solapur - Dr. S.C. Advitot & Dr. Harishchandra Bhanudas Tipe



PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY-2 - 05.09.2020 (Saturday)

Session-3 Morning Session (10:00 am -12:30 pm)

Chairperson: **Prof. Rana P.B. Singh**, Professor (Rtd.), Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
Delivers Special Lecture on “Geography in India: Identity, Indianness and Indigenoussness”

Institution Presentation

- **The Society of Geographers**, Jabalpur - Dr. Lokesh Shrivastava
- **Rayalaseema Geographical Association**, Tirupati - Dr. N. Chendrayudu

Special Talk

- **Development of Geography in Gujarat** - Prof. Rolee Kanchan, University of Baroda, Vadodara
- **Development of Geography in A & N Islands** - Dr. Pearl Devadoss (J.N.R. Mahavidyalaya, Port Blair)
- **National Geographical Society of India**, Varanasi - Prof. Rana P.B. Singh

Session-4 Afternoon Session (3:00 pm - 5:30 pm)

Chairpersons: **Prof. Surya Kant & Prof. Krishna Mohan**
Association of Population Geographers of India, Chandigarh

Institution Presentation

- **Association of Population Geographers of India**, Chandigarh - Prof. Krishna Mohan & Prof. Surya Kant
- **Association of Punjab Geographers**, Patiala - Prof. H. S. Mangat & Dr. Lakhvir Singh Gill
- **Konkan Geographers Association of India**, Sindhudurg - Dr Rajaram Patil & Dr Shivam Thakur

Special Talk

- **Development of Geography in J & K** - Prof. R. P. Sharma, (Rtd.) - University of Jammu. Jammu

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY-3 - 06.09.2020 (Sunday)

Session-5 Morning Session (10:00 am -12:30 pm)

Chairpersons: **Prof. G.K.Panda**, Former Professor and Head, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar
Prof. Vishwambhar Prasad Sati, Mizoram University, Aizawl

Institution Presentation

- **Eastern Geographical Society**, Bhubaneswar - Prof. G.K.Panda
- **Indian Council of Geographers**, Patna - Prof. G.K.Panda
- **Association of Bengal Geographers**, Burdwan - Prof. Narayan Chandra Jana
- **Indian Society of Spatial Scientists**, Kolkata - Dr. Priyank Pravin Patel
- **Geographical Association of Mizoram**, Aizawl - Prof. Vishwambhar Prasad Sati

Session-6 Afternoon Session (3:00 pm - 5:30 pm)

Chairpersons: **Prof. Sudesh Nangia**, Former Member of UGC & Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
Prof. Kalpana Markandey, ICSSR National Fellow, Osmania University, Hyderabad

Institution Presentation

- **Foundation of Practicing Geographer**, Kolkatta - Dr Arun Kumar Singh
- **The Association of Geographical Studies**, Delhi - Dr. Amrita Bajaj
- **Environmental Monitoring Society**, Delhi - Prof. T. S. Rana

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY- 4 - 07.09.2020 (Monday)

Session-7 Morning Session (10:00 am -12:30 pm)

Chairpersons: **Prof. Prithvish Nag**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi
Prof. K. Nageswara Rao, Former Emeritus Professor, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam

Institution Presentation

Association of Professional Geographers, Delhi - Prof. Prithvish Nag

Association of Geographers in Bihar & Jharkhand, Patna – Prof. Devendra Prasad Singh & Dr. Vikrant Kumar

Geographical Society of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar - Dr. Tage Rupa Sora

GeoMap Society, Hyderabad - Dr. V. Raghavaswamy & Shri. G. S. Kumar

IGU-India - Dr. Subhash Anand & Dr. Gaurav Sikka

Panel Discussion & Valedictory (3:00 pm - 5:30 pm)

List of Members for Panel Discussion

Prof. R. B. Singh

Prof. Sudesh Nangia

Prof. Rana P. B. Singh

Prof. R. V. Verma

Prof. Surya Kant

Prof. G. K. Panda

Prof. Kalpana Markandey

Prof. Krishna Mohan

Prof. Biplab Biswas

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