

Indian Association of Sedimentologists

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BACKGROUND

The idea to constitute a forum Indian Association of Sedimentologists (IAS) was floated in the valedictory session of a conference hosted by Delhi University, Delhi in 1975, for providing an opportunity to sedimentologists of the country to meet, discuss and extend ideas of mutual interest. The idea was appreciated and got support from veteran geologists and academicians. Soon after, in 1976, the Indian Association of Sedimentologists was formed and duly registered with its headquarters at the Department of Geology, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh in recognition of leading research carried out in the Department in the field of sedimentology.

The Indian Association of Sedimentologists is by now a recognized scientific forum with highly qualified and experienced sedimentologists as its Fellows and Life Members representing Universities, National and state owned geological and geophysical Institutes and organizations from all over the country. Also, on the rolls of IAS are Fellows and Life Members from Bangladesh, Canada, USA, Mexico and England.

Indeed, the Association could not have achieved its present high status without inspiring and selfless support and contributions from its members at large and founding members in particular, especially Prof. M. N. Mehrotra, Prof. V. K. Srivastava, Prof. V. K. Verma, Shri S. M. Mathur, Shri V. Raiverman, Prof. Vinay Jhingran, Prof. S. M. Casshyap, Prof. S. K. Tandon and Prof. B. D. Bhardwaj.

The Association has the honour to have a galaxy of eminent geoscientists as its Presidents as below -

1. Prof. A. G. Jhingran	1976 - 1979
2. Prof. M. N. Viswanathan	1980 - 1981
3. Prof. M. N. Mahrotra	1982 - 1983
4. Prof. V. K. Srivastava	1984 - 1986
5. Prof. V. K. Verma	1987 - 1990
6. Prof. S. M. Mathur	1991 - 1992
7. Prof. S. M. Casshyap	1993 - 2004
8. Prof. S. K. Tandon	2005 - 2012
9. Prof. G. N. Nayak	2013 - till date

OBJECTIVES

The prime objective of the Association is to promote recent advances in sedimentary petrology, sedimentology, applied sedimentation, basin modelling and related disciplines namely, remote sensing, hydrogeology, society and environment. Also, it provides a forum for the advancement of research and development in sedimentology and related disciplines of Geology. An equally important objective is to encourage interactions among the sedimentologists at the level of Universities, National Institutes and exploration companies of India engaged in the study of sedimentary basins regarding their evolution, origin and resource potential.

CONVENTIONS & SEMINARS

Ever since the first convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists held at Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh in the year 1976, the Association has been organizing National Conventions regularly. Since 1992, the convention is a regular annual activity being organized at different centers of the country in response to the invitations it receives from hosting institutions. It has so far organized 38 Conventions at different centers of sedimentology as listed below –

1. Convention, 1976, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
2. Convention, 1979, University of Mysore, Mysore
3. Convention, 1982, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
4. Convention, 1984, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
5. Convention, 1985, Osmania University, Hyderabad
6. Convention, 1986, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun
7. & 8 Conventions, 1990, Delhi University, Delhi
- 9 Convention, 1992, Pune University, Pune

- 10 Convention, 1993, Karnataka University, Dharwar
- 11 Convention, 1994 (held in Jan. 1995), University of Roorkee, Roorkee
- 12 Convention, 1995, Goa University, Panaji
- 13 Convention, 1996, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
- 14 Convention, 1997, University of Madras, Chennai
- 15 Convention, 1998, Gauhati University, Gauhati
- 16 Convention, 1999, University of Jammu, Jammu
- 17 Convention, 2000, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi
- 18 Convention, 2001, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
- 19 Convention, 2002, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam
- 20 Convention, 2003, H. N. B. Garhwal University, Srinagar, Garhwal
- 21 Convention, 2004, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar, TN
- 22 Convention, 2005, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun
- 23 Convention, 2006, Anna University, Chennai
- 24 Convention, 2007, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
- 25 Convention, 2008, M. S. University, Vadodra
- 26 Convention, 2009, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam
- 27 Convention, 2010, Jammu, University, Jammu
- 28 Convention, 2011, JNU, New Delhi
- 29 Convention, 2012, Pondicherry University, Puducherry
- 30 Convention, 2013, Manipur University, Imphal, Manipur
- 31 Convention, 2014, University of Pune, Pune
- 32 Convention, 2015, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar, TN
- 33 Convention, 2016, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
34. Convention 2017, Amravati University, Amravati
35. Convention 2018, Saugar University, Sagar, MP
36. Convention 2019, AMD Hyderabad (no convention was held in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid-19 pandemic)
37. Convention, 2022, Jammu University, Jammu
38. Convention 2022, Delhi University, Delhi

JOURNAL

To propagate recent advances in sedimentology the Association undertook the publication of the "Journal of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists". The papers presented at the Annual Convention or submitted directly are selected for publication after proper and critical scrutiny by the Editor and his team of expert reviewers. The journal was revamped and regularized under the expert's guidance and patronage of Shri. S. M. Mathur as editor (1990-1997). It progressed steadily both in quality and regularity under the command of Prof. Vinay Jhingran, Department of Geology, Delhi University, Delhi and later under the editor, Prof. D. Rajasekhara Reddy, Andhra University, Vishakapatnam. Volume numbers 1-34 were published in print. From volume 35, the publication of the Journal is online and is being handled by Managing editors Prof. G. M. Bhat and Dr. Bashir A. Lone, Jammu University, Jammu, who are responsible for editing and uploading on the IAS website. The papers submitted online after due scrutiny, processing and acceptance by the Editor-in-Chief(s) are published in the online Journal of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists from the year 2018. The JIAS has an editorial board with members among sedimentologists from India and abroad. The review process will involve two blind reviewers. Each volume will have two numbers and are released in June and December.

SHORT-TERM COURSES

The Association organizes other scientific/academic programmes, such as short-term courses, workshops, lectures and field and/or laboratory programmes, for the advancement of sedimentology.

YOUNG SEDIMENTOLOGIST AWARD

The association introduced the 'Young Sedimentologists Award' from the year 1995 to encourage young sedimentologists below the age of 35 years for the best paper presented under the category during the convention. The paper with the candidate as the first author and his/her research supervisor as the second author is permitted. A committee constituted will adjudge the best paper presented by the candidate/s. The award is a Life Membership of the association. Paper presented under this category has to be compulsorily submitted to JIAS for consideration for publication.

GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO HOST INSTITUTION ORGANISING ANNUAL CONVENTION OF IAS

The following instructions and guidelines shall be observed by the host institution organizing the annual convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists, as per the constitution and decision taken by the Governing Council and the General Body of IAS.

a. General

- 1- The inviting institution shall submit a letter of hosting the convention with the date and venue, and for providing infrastructure facilities and suitable accommodation for boarding and lodging of the delegates, duly certified by the Head of the Department and Vice-chancellor or chairman/Director of the institute.
- 2- The inviting institute shall designate a convener and other functionaries of the convention and do all acts pursuant to the organization and conduct of the convention in consultation with the president of the Association.
- 3- The convener and his colleagues in the field of sedimentology in the Institution shall enroll as fellow/Life members of IAS on payment of fees of Rs 5000/- lump sum or as decided by the council from time to time. They should be a member in good standing (without any pending dues).
- 4- The circular/invitation for attending the convention shall be mailed to all members of IAS, as per the Membership List supplied by the General Secretary (Head Quarters). They will be entitled to hold office and participate in the meeting of the General Body.

- 5- The IAS Logo shall be inserted in all correspondence and pre-conference material (letters, envelopes, etc.) including Abstract Volume.
- 6- The papers presented at the convention may be submitted online on the website for consideration for publication in the Journal of the Association.
- 7- The papers presented under the "Young Sedimentologists Award" category at the convention shall be compulsorily submitted online on the website for consideration for publication in the Journal of the Association.
- 8- The Annual convention of IAS can be clubbed / combined with any other National / International/ Seminar / Conference.

b. Finances

- 9- A non-life member wishing to attend the convention shall enroll himself/herself as a Sessional Member by registering at the convention on payment of prescribed registration fees.
- 10- The finances for holding the convention shall be generated and managed by the convening organization. The inaugural address by the president or invited speaker; the other addresses, the volume of abstracts and other convention material shall be brought out by the organizer from their own resource.
- 11- The convener shall remit to the IAS at least Rs. 60,000/- to meet the partial cost of publication of JIAS.
- 12- Amount collected by the convener of the convention in the form of Registration fees from delegates shall be utilized by the Organizing Committee for the expenditure.
- 13- Fee, collected at the time of convention from new life members should be necessarily remitted to the IAS.
- 14- The members of the Governing Council will be exempted from registration fees and if desired, the office bearers of the association will be provided travelling expenses on top priority.

c. Young Sedimentologist Award

The paper preferably shall be of single authored and the age of the presenter should be 35 years or less on July 1st of that year. However, the name of the research supervisor as the second author can be allowed. A certificate and Life Membership of IAS shall be presented to the

winner. The prescribed guidelines shall be observed in the evaluation of the Young Sedimentologists Award.

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