

Activity of Member

Indian Geotechnical Society

On behalf of Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS), I convey my sincere greetings to all the Geotechnical Engineers. After an eventful year 2008, the tempo of activities is in full gear during this year, 2009, also.

New office bearers with a blend of both Young and Seniors have been elected to the Executive Committee of the Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS). A number of activities have been planned for the year 2009 to promote the aims of the Society. The 31st Local Chapter of IGS was inaugurated on April 25, 2009 at Kochi in Kerala which was unrepresented in the IGS Map. This breakthrough was possible due to the untiring efforts of our Executive Committee Member, Mr. M.D. Nair and the support extended by Prof. Benny J. Abraham and Prof. Babu T. Jose of Cochin University of Science and Technology.

IGS-Guntur Chapter which is co-hosting forthcoming IGC-2009 in December, 2009, organized a one day National Seminar on “Ground Amelioration Techniques” on 13th March 2009 along with the Executive Committee meeting of IGS. The 2nd Indian Young Geotechnical Engineers’ Conference was held at Kakinada on 14th March 2009 jointly organized by IGS-Kakinada Chapter under the Chairmanship of Prof. A. Sreerama Rao and Department of Civil Engineering, JNT University College of Engineering, Kakinada. Over 100 Young Geotechnical Engineers participated in this Conference. 21 papers were received of which 19 authors made personal presentations. IGS-Visakhapatnam Chapter conducted jointly with Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, a one day National Seminar on “Deep Foundations”. IGS-Kolkata Chapter hosted 2 day Workshop on “Emerging Trends in Ground Improvement” during May 22-23, 2009. The next year’s annual conference, IGC-2010 is scheduled to be hosted by IGS-Mumbai Chapter during December 16 to 18, 2010 at IIT Bombay, Powai, Mumbai under the Chairmanship of Mr. S. P. Bagli.

Preparations are in full swing for the 6th ICEG 2010 scheduled at New Delhi during November 8-12, 2010, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Manoj Datta, Director, PEC, Chandigarh.

The full text of lecture delivered by Prof. Harry G. Poulos during IGS-Ferroc Terzaghi Oration on October 04, 2008 is being featured in our society’s news letter.

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