

Invitation

We invite you, dear earth scientists and other interested ones, to participate in the 19th Convention of the Indian Geological Congress (IGC-2014) and International Conference on “*Climate Change & Natural Resources Development Strategies: Mountain Risks Management and Governance*” in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, through Nov. 27-29, 2014. The *sui generis* programme this time will be held under the auspices of the Rajiv Gandhi University at Itanagar and hosted by its Department of Geography, Faculty of Environmental Sciences. It will hopefully be sponsored by the Ministry of Earth Sciences in keeping with its traditional nodal obligations, also by other ministries such as the Department of Science & Technology, Ministry of Development of Northeastern Region, Ministry of Mines, and other related departments of Govt. of India, oil & gas sector industries, namely OIL, ONGC, GAIL and others.

The Indian Geological Congress is at the forefront among the learned associations in the field of geosciences in India and traditionally offers the biggest platform to debate relevant geosciences topics and geological issues of national importance. This time, its scientific programmes will focus on needs of the northeastern region. Some of these are identified in the section on S & T programme. One of the primary focuses of these programmes will be the identification and promotion of geoheritages, especially of the northeastern region in association with INTACH. Special field trips will be organized to ancient monuments, historical sites and classical geological outcrops that will be made known in the Second Circular.

The Organizing Committee has great pleasure to invite you to attend the IGC-2014 and the International Conference so as to have the benefit of your knowledge and expertise in which conscientious-smitten scientists need to get involved in regional issues of the kinds listed for debate on the development and other basic issues pertinent to the overall progress of the northeastern region. **Send your duly-completed registration form as early as possible to the Convention Secretary, Itanagar and plan your contribution timely.**