

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY:

Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) is the lone central university of the state. It offers postgraduate courses in more than 39 disciplines along with M.Phil, Ph.D and PG Diploma programs. There are 41 colleges affiliated to the university that are spread across the entire state. Rajiv Gandhi University, (formerly Arunachal University), is the premier institution for higher education and has completed thirty-four years of existence. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, had laid the foundation stone of the University on February 4, 1984. Subsequently, it started its postgraduate courses from the Academic session 1988-89 at Rono Hills, where the present campus is located. The University was converted into Central University on 9th April 2007. The campus spreading across 350 acres is located on a picturesque tableland locally known as Rono Hills, at Doimukh which is about 6.5km from National Highway 52-A leading to Itanagar, the capital complex.

ABOUT THE HOST:

The Department of Geography, Rajiv Gandhi University was established in 1992 with a student intake of 20 in the annual system of teaching and changed to semester based system in 2001. The Department has grown in all perspective with good academic output coupled with research activities and is also actively involved in administration of the university. Faculty members of the department have been assigned various posts like that of Registrar (including the present Registrar) Controller of Examinations, Deans, Proctor and Wardens. Completing 25 splendid years in a journey from 1992 to 2017, the department has enormously succeeded in research output and academic publications. With completion of numbers of Major projects of UGC, DST, ICSSR, NERCSSR, INSA, the department has succeeded in fulfilling the objectives of enabling students with developed skill to think and analyse within the spatio-temporal framework. This has enabled them to intertwine traditional knowledge with modern tools for excellence, connecting to their roots as well as accept and adopt the needed change. It is worth mentioning that a large number of alumnae of the department today hold important positions as administrators at the State and National levels. A sizable number of JRF, and NET pass outs every year adds to the list. At present the department boasts of up-to-date infrastructure facilities and offers semester and CBCS based M.A, M.Sc. Programs. The department has been running Post - Graduate Diploma in Disaster Management (till 2017), Certificate course in GIS, along with M.Phil. and Ph. D. programs and specializes in social and Urban Geography, Environmental Studies, Physical Geography, Regional Planning, Demographic studies and GIS. Department of Geography has also become a part of the Swyam Program of Government of India with an aim to linking wider base of learning.

ABOUT ITANAGAR

Itanagar, the capital of Arunachal Pradesh is bestowed with abundant nature's bounty. Popularly known as 'the land of the Dawn lit Mountains, the state was born on 20th February 1987, located at a distance of about 400km from Guwahati, the gateway to the North East India. The township is situated at 350 meters above the mean sea level. The township is copious with myriad picturesque scenarios reflected in the green Hills and spectacular panoramic view surrounding it. The township comes administratively under Papum Pare district. The Nyishis are the major tribe in the area. However, Itanagar can be called mini India, as people from all over the country, live here in harmony. Here one can find historic fort called Itafort, dating back to the 14th - 15th centuries, after which the township is named. The Important places in an around the township are the Ganga Lake (Gyakar Sinyi Lake), The Buddhist Monastery, The State Museum, and the local handicraft center (OJU Mission).

HOW TO REACH ITANAGAR

The twin capital township of Itanagar and Naharlagun (about 13 Km from the University), is the nearest air and rail head; air connectivity: by Chopper service from Guwahati to Naharlagun 6 days a week except Sunday, by rail: Donyi Polo Express runs all days from both sides and Satabdi runs 3 days a week from either side i.e Monday, Wednesday and Friday from Guwahati to Naharlagun and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from Naharlagun to Guwahati. Besides, Arunachal AC SF Express runs 2 days in a week i.e Tuesday and Saturday from Naharlagun to Delhi and Sunday and Thursday from Delhi to Naharlagun. Also, Itanagar is well connected by road from Guwahati through Luxury buses having both day and night services. Private hired

vehicles can also be availed directly from the airport both on shared and reserved basis. The nearest airport besides Guwahati is Lilabari, which is about 1:30 hours drive from the capital complex.

ABOUT ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for the delegates will be arranged in the university/other guest houses and hotels depending upon the availability. Those who wish to stay in hotels (single/family) are required to make it clear about the range of tariff, the choice of hotels and date of arrival. In such cases accommodation charges will have to be borne by the delegates themselves. Hotels may be reserved if tariffs are paid in advance*. For information related to accommodation and transportation kindly contact Dr. Gibji Nimasow and Dr. Sailajananda Saikia, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Rajiv Gandhi University

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*Accommodation in hotels are available under the following tariffs:

Economy Rs. 2000-3000; Deluxe Rs. 3000-4000; Executive Rs. 3500-5000

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Dates to Remember

Deadline for:

Abstract submission and early bird Registration- 15th September, 2018

End of Registration and Abstract submission (Late bird) :30th September, 2018

Confirmation of Acceptance of Abstract: Upto 1st October, 2018

Submission of Full Paper: 15th October, 2018

Congress Date: 29 th-31st October, 2018

Optional Field Trip to Ziro: 1st November, 2018 (on payment basis)

Note: Abstract without Registration Fee (Part or Full) will not be printed in the Abstract Volume.

Participants are requested to submit their abstracts online and pay Registration fee online to

'Convener, 40th Indian Geography Congress' Current A/c No. 880201011000426

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NAGI Executive Committee Meeting	: 29th October 2018 at 5.30 P.M.
NAGI General Body Meeting	: 30th October 2018 at 5.30 P.M.
NAGI Executive Committee Meeting	: 31st October 2018 at 8.30 A.M.

FORMAT FOR ABSTRACT AND PAPER

Abstract should be about 300 words carrying title of the paper, name of the author with designation and affiliation. Abstract should include the major objectives, methodology used and major findings. It should be submitted preferably as a soft copy typed in Microsoft office: version 2003, 2007 and 2010. For any queries relating to abstract you may kindly Contact Prof. Nandini C Singh, Convener, Department of Geography, Rajiv Gandhi University, e-mail: nc.singh100@gmail.com, nandini.singh@rgu.ac.in. Mob: +91 9436042038, +91 7005871771.

CONGRESS THEME

CLIMATE VARIABILITY, VULNERABILITY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGIES

Environmental issues, particularly climate variability and the resultant vulnerability crises, leading to deterioration of bio diversity, agrarian crisis and hunger, is posing one of the biggest challenges of present time. These burning issues of threat to livelihood to millions irrespective of the political boundaries of the countries, today form the central stage of policy planning and have been the subject of debate and discussion in almost every forum throughout the world. The shrinking earth in terms of resources and the expanding number of users of these diminishing resources today emerges as the most serious question for the generations to come. While the developmental activities across the world during last few decades has created serious damage to the environment in quantitative and qualitative terms in the forum of natural disasters, changes in climatic factors, frequent occurrence of flood and drought, spatial-temporal variation in precipitation, acid rain, etc. he mismanagement and rampant use of the natural resources for the improvement of our life without considering its long term impact has further added to the cause of concern. Global environmental issues, resources and their sustainable use (precisely as a response to Brundtland commission report 1986) have been a concern occupying the center stage in the development discourse for many years. Yet somehow there are problems which remain unresolved despite study and research, media attention, increased public awareness about environmental problems, campaigns by local, regional and national environmental pressure groups and international agreement. The concern that stems out today is the relationship between the nature of resource use and the level of development leading to imbalanced environment. This therefore demands an understanding that there has to be a sustainable method for finding new processes through use of technologies or taking an innovative approach of spatial planning to optimize the management of resources by using geospatial technology for mapping future trends for ecological, social or economic point of view particularly to counter the impact of climate variability and associated dangers in context of Rapid population growth, increasing mobility, social conflict and under-development of the rural areas.

PANEL DISCUSSION THEME

GLOBALIZATION, RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY: EMERGING CHALLENGES AND RESPONSE IN NORTH- EAST REGION OF INDIA

MEMORIAL LECTURES

1. Prof. VLS Prakasha Rao Memorial Lecture
2. Prof. Enayat Ahmad Memorial Lecture
3. Prof. P. Dayal Memorial Lecture

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

The technical sessions of the Congress will focus on the following themes:

1. Indian Geography: The Emerging Vistas
2. Geography as a Professional Discipline (Planning, Health Care, Cartography and GIS).
3. Remote Sensing, GPS and GIS in Geographical Studies
4. Physical Geography and Earth System Science
5. Climate Change, Bio-diversity, Environmental Challenges
6. India in the New Global Context
7. People, Resources and Development
8. Urban Society, Economy and Geography
9. From Rural to Urban India
10. Geopolitics, Conflict Resolution and Geography of Peace
11. Social and Cultural Dimensions in Geography
12. Geographical Education

PROF. N.P. AYYAR YOUNG GEOGRAPHERS AWARD SCHEME

This award has been instituted by NAGI and is restricted to members who are qualified Geographers within the age limit of 35 years at the time of submission of paper. The paper should be an original research contribution and submitted in 3 copies to the Secretary General, NAGI, so as to reach the Secretariat by October 15, 2018 by registered post/courier. The paper should be written in English, Hindi language only. The participant should also submit his/her detailed resume (3 copies).

An Expert Committee will be appointed by NAGI to evaluate the paper contributed and to shortlist five best papers among them. The five best papers will be presented in a special session at IGC and one among them would be finally selected for the young Geographers Award. The awardees will be honoured with a cash award of Rs. 1000.00 and a certificate of merit.

NOMINATION INVITED FOR PROFESSOR BANDARU HEMA MALINI EMINENT GEOGRAPHER AWARD, 2018

This award has been instituted by NAGI and is restricted to members who are qualified Geographers. The nomination paper should reach the NAGI Secretariat by October 15th, 2018 by registered post/courier. Detailed guidelines are available in web site: www.nagi.org.in

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fee for the participants of the IGC is Rs. 1800/- out of which Rs. 1600/- will be retained by the Convener and the remaining Rs. 200/- will go to NAGI Secretariat. Participants are requested to send two separate D.D.s, Rs. 1600/- to "Convener, 40th Indian Geography Congress" and Rs. 200/- as NAGI share to NAGI Secretariat, Delhi in favour of "the National Association of Geographers, India (NAGI)" along with personal details.

For foreign delegates, excluding SAARC, it is \$ 125. Research scholars (not below M. Phil Level) would pay Rs. 1000/- as registration fee to the Convener and Rs. 200/- to NAGI Secretariat, provided that their registration form is accompanied by documentary proof of their station. Interested participants are required to become Life or Annual Member of the NAGI. If you are not a life member, annual membership fee of Rs. 500/- should also be sent to NAGI Secretariat together with membership form.

Registration fee covers the cost of technical documents, boarding and accommodation in student hostels/institutional Guest houses/ hotels etc. Family member accompanying the Life and Annual members will pay Rs. 1600/- each for boarding and lodging. No documents will be provided to them. Registration fee of Rs. 1600/- should be sent by M.O./D.D. to the Convener, 40th Indian Geography Congress.

Note: Please send your journey details at least 15 days in advance. Participation without prior information to organizers shall not be entertained.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Registration Deadlines & Submission of Paper	Host	NAGI	Total
Up to 15th September, 2018 (General)	1600/-	200/-	1800/-
Between 16th September to 30th September, 2018 (General)	1800/-	200/-	2000/-
Registration fee for Research Scholar upto 30th September, 2018	1000/-	200/-	1200/-
Between 16th – 30th September, 2018, RS*	1400/-	200/-	1600/-
On spot Registration	2200/-	200/-	2400/-
Senior Geographers (Over 65 yr of age)	500/-	–	500/-
RS: Research Scholars	–	–	–

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REGISTRATION FORM

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7. I wish to participate with or without papers as Life Member / Participating Member / Associate Member
8. Title of the paper.....
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9. Registration fee amounting Rs..... is sent by M.O /Crossed Demand Draft No..... Dated (Name of Bank)
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Date /Time of Departure/ Number No/ Name.....
11. Accompanying persons, if any
12. Type of accommodation desired- Hostels/Guest House/Hotel
13. Field excursions preference: Y/ N preferred excursion – A / B

Note - If registration fees have been sent in advance please give details.

Place: Date:Signature.....

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Date:

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