



**IAGR Annual Convention-2011
8th International Symposium on
Gondwana to Asia**

Supercontinent Dynamics: India and Gondwana

**August 26 - 28, 2011
(Followed by two day Post-symposium field excursion)**

**Organized
by**

**National Geophysical Research Institute, CSIR, India
and
International Association of Gondwana Research, Japan**

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**National Geophysical Research Institute
(Council of Scientific and Industrial Research)
Uppal Road, Hyderabad - 500007
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ABOUT THE VENUE:

National Geophysical Research Institute

The National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), a premier Earth Science laboratory of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research was established in the year 1961 for basic and applied research in Earth Sciences. Presently, the institute is engaged in themes such as *Studies related to Lithosphere & Earth's interior, Exploration of natural resources, Earthquake hazard assessment, Management of Groundwater Resources and the Geo-environment*. NGRI has entered into the **GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR (October 2010-2011)**. Over the last five decades, NGRI has been in the forefront not only in providing a comprehensive understanding of the basic earth processes but also striving towards evolving responsive exploration strategies and tangible contemporary science solutions to sustain the country's natural resources. Currently, NGRI aspires to transform itself into a unique center of excellence relevant to high science as well as the country's societal and strategic needs. The 2011 IAGR Annual Convention and the 8th International Symposium on 'Gondwana to Asia' is being organized as part of the **Golden Jubilee Celebrations of NGRI** to introspect and to help planning for new research initiatives of global significance.

ABOUT THE IAGR AND THE CONVENTION:

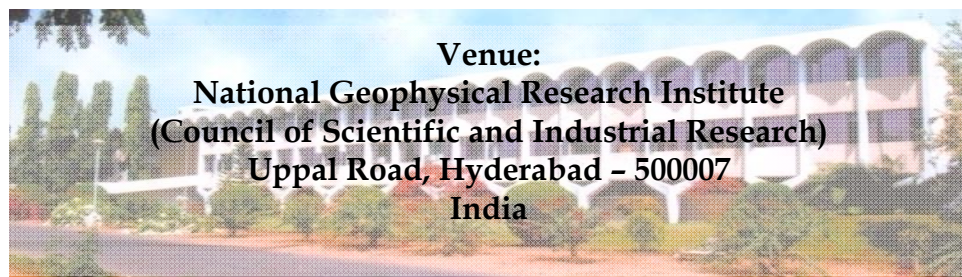
The International Association of Gondwana Research (IAGR) organizes its Conventions in various countries, every year attended by delegates, officials of IAGR and Editors of Gondwana Research from different parts of the world. The IAGR Annual Conventions also incorporate the 'Gondwana to Asia' series of international symposia, which provides an ideal platform for researchers, academicians and students to present their results and to exchange views and ideas. Selected and peer-reviewed papers from IAGR Conventions have been published in special issues of high impact international journals.

ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM:

The focal theme of the 8th International Symposium on 'Gondwana to Asia' - Supercontinent Dynamics: India and Gondwana, covers three major sessions and includes several invited keynote presentations and regular oral/poster presentations. The Best Student poster for the symposium chosen by a judging committee will be awarded a cash prize and citation from the IAGR. The GR 2010 Best Paper award ceremony, IAGR General Body meeting, GR Editorial Board meeting and other business meetings shall also be held during the conference.

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS:

- SS01: Early history of cratons: structure, composition and dynamics**
- SS02: Building and breaking of supercontinents with focus on Gondwana**
- SS03: Orogenic belts, sedimentary basins and resources**



ABOUT THE FIELD EXCURSION:

Two days' post-symposium field excursion during **29-30 August, 2011** would provide a glimpse of the Archaean greenstone belts, Precambrian granites and gneisses, and Proterozoic sediments in the Eastern Dharwar Craton. The participants also will visit one of the largest (masonry) irrigation dams in Asia and well-known Buddhist's archaeological sites. *Mode of travel:* Minibus; Maximum participants: 30.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Abstract & Registration form submission

May 15, 2011

Abstract acceptance notification

May 30, 2011

Delegates arrive in Hyderabad (A.P.), India on August 26, 2011

August 26, 2011: Friday: Ice breaker and registration in the evening

August 27: Saturday and August 28, 2011: Sunday: Oral and poster presentations

August 29 Monday and 30, Tuesday: Field excursion

REGISTRATION FEE:

Professional delegates

250 USD

Student delegates

100 USD (provide copy of student ID)

Registration fee includes Abstract volume, Ice breaker (Aug 26), working lunch (August 27 & 28) and Symposium banquet (August 27)

POST SYMPOSIUM FIELD EXCURSION:

Professional delegates

200 USD

Student delegates

150 USD (provide copy of student ID)

Field excursion fee includes field guide, accommodation, food & transportation

ACCOMMODATION:

Accommodation ranges from budget to star hotels (20-30 min drive to the venue) is available with tariff of ~ 70-300 USD per day. Assistance shall be provided to the delegates to find suitable accommodation as per their budget. Request for assistance in this regard should be clearly indicated in the registration form.

FOOD:

A wide range of food (Western/Asian,) including popular varieties of North and South Indian cuisine available. If any delegate has special request, he may please contact the concerned hotels / guest house; we will do our best to accommodate

CLIMATE:

Late August is autumn with intermittent rains. The average temperature comes down to ~28°C.

GR BEST PAPER AWARD:

The 2010 Gondwana Research Best Paper award ceremony and Gondwana Research Editorial Board meeting will be held on August 27, 2011

BEST STUDENT POSTER AWARD:

A cash award from the IAGR and a Memento from the local Organizing Committee will be presented for the best student poster at the symposium

ABSTRACT FORMAT:

Abstract style: Strictly follow the format of Gondwana Research (www.elsevier.com/locate/gr)

Submission style: Electronic through e-mail to Symposium Secretariat

File format: MS Office (preferably .doc file)

Margin on all sides: 25 mm

Font: 12 pt Times New Roman

Maximum length: 2 printed pages in double space

References: References to be listed in full including expanded form of journal names

Figure limitation: 1 (color figures not accepted). Figure file to be submitted in .jpg format,

PRESENTATION STYLE:

Language: English

Style: Oral: 20 Min (including discussion); Projector with Computer (MS Operating System + Power Point presentation) will be arranged. Mac users: please bring your own computers. Poster: 4' (height) x 3' (width)

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Title:

Name:

(First Name) (Middle Name) (Last Name)

Professional/Student.....

Nationality:.....

Passport No:..... Valid up to:.....

Postal Address:.....

Telephone: E-mail:

Presentation Title:.....

Preferred Scientific Session:

Preferred Mode of Presentation:.....

Participate in Field Excursion?(Yes/No).....

Accommodation Assistance Required?
If 'Yes' provide dates: From to

Budget: 70-100 USD.....100-200 USD.....200-300 USD.....

Place:

Date:

(Signature)

Please complete this form and post/fax/email it no later than 15 May 2011 to
Symposium Secretariat

