

Announcements

SIXTH CONVENTION OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SEDIMENTOLOGISTS

The Sixth Convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists is scheduled to be held from 21 to 24 October, 1986 at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehra Dun, 248001 (India), on the theme 'Sedimentation and tectonics in Indian subcontinent' along with a two day field excursion in the Lesser Himalayan Belt of Garhwal region. Abstracts of papers not exceeding 500 words may be submitted by 30th June, 1986. All enquiries should be addressed to :

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'CYPRIS'—INTERNATIONAL OSTRACODE NEWSLETTER

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As in the past, Prof. Bhatia has been asked by the new Editors of the *Cypris* to gather news from ostracodologists in India for publication in the Spring (1986) issue of the *Cypris*. The following kind of information would be useful :

- addresses of new Ostracoda workers
- a summary of activities; work in progress
- a list of papers published
- research planned
- theses, dissertations in progress and completed
- requests for specimens, reprints, etc.
- news items
- announcements
- black and white photographs of general interest
- other information

Colleagues working on Ostracodes are requested to send the material for publication immediately to

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PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTION FOR GEOSCIENTISTS (INDIA)

An independant voluntary professional body for geoscientists called 'The Institution of Geoscientists (India)' has been registered at New Delhi in August, 1985.

The new institution would strive for the growth and application of geosciences in co-operation with the existing voluntary societies and academic institutions in the country and abroad. Awarding of professional competency certificates to 'geosciences' practising professionals, conducting examinations for M.Sc., or M. Tech., equivalent in specialised fields of geosciences and technologies, production of supporting geoscientific manpower by awarding diplomas of the Institution, bringing out professional handbooks, Indian text books and Journals in various fields of geosciences and technologies, introducing standards and norms in the collection, synthesis, reporting, coding and retrieval of geoscientific information, encouraging self or cooperative employment amongst geoscientists, recognising infrastructural centres for assisting practising geoscientists and above all encouraging welfare activity amongst geoscientists, are some of the important activities proposed by the Institution.

Members will be allotted to five faculties of the Institution, viz., Geology, Geochemistry, Geoengineering and Technology, and complementary geosciences based on academic qualification. The geochemistry faculty includes analytical chemists engaged in the analysis of earth materials. The geoengineering and technology faculty includes drilling, mining, metallurgy, beneficiation and civil and other engineering branches. The complementary geosciences faculty includes surveying, geography, natural sciences, agricultural sciences, library sciences, space and planetary sciences, computer sciences, etc., as related to earth sciences.

All those interested in joining may contact :

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