



Dear SPGians,

Warm Greetings!

The Society of Petroleum Geophysicists (SPG), India has been publishing its in-house flagship journal GEOHORIZONS to disseminate knowledge among fellow geoscientists in the form of new technical papers in the interest of technical communication and for the overall benefit of geoscientific community.

As you may be aware, SPG had recently engaged Mr. Satinder Chopra, one of the founding Executive Members of this society, as Editor for GEOHORIZONS. He has been mandated to bring out the next few journal issues with good technical content, and to bring it to the overall level of some of the other similar international professional society journals. He has vast publishing experience and has been, as well as continues to be the editor of some leading international journals. This issue of GEOHORIZONS happens to be the first one that Mr. Chopra has produced. It has five papers that include an interview with Ms. Marit Brommer, the Executive Director of IGA (International Geothermal Association), a memoir by Mr. Ajay K. Dwivedi, former Director (E), ONGC, a paper on the future challenges for ONGC by Mr. N. C. Nanda, former GGM, ONGC, another paper on seismic attribute characterization of fractured basement reservoirs by Chopra et al., and the last one on improvement of structural imaging in a fold-belt area by swath-line seismic data acquisition by Bhartee et al.

I am sure these papers/articles will help in expanding the learning curve and thereby raising the knowledge bar of geoscientists. I solicit cooperation, contributions, and the suggestions from all the SPG members for further improvement of our publication. Since its inception, SPG, India, has been playing a significant role in organizing biennial international conferences and providing a platform for bringing together the eminent geoscientists,

technocrats, intellectuals, academicians, students, and service providers for exchange of ideas, sharing of experiences, and showcasing of technical skills to the global/national participants. However, due to the prevailing pandemic situation, it has not been possible to organize a conference since February 2020 (Kochi). With gradual improvement in the pandemic situation, possibilities are being explored to plan/organize an international conference in the near future.

Regional chapters of SPG are playing an active role in arranging seminars, workshops, field trips, etc. and their activities are covered in the news section. Looking forward to having such activities by all the regional chapters for the benefit of SPGians.

I take this opportunity to wish all the geoscientists a very safe, happy, and prosperous time ahead. 🙏

- *S. K. Sharma*

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