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Dear Members,


It gives me immense pleasure to address the fellow society members in this first issue of Geohorizons, after a successful conclusion of the 12<sup>th</sup> Biennial International Conference & Exposition 'Jaipur 2017'. It was also the celebration of 25<sup>th</sup> year of existence of the SPG India. Your participation and technical contribution made this conference truly an international event in E&P industry to realize the theme "*Energy through Synergy*". SPG moved beyond geophysics and had talks and papers on other energy sources as well, in tune with the theme of the conference. This conference generated a huge enthusiasm among geoscientists and large number of technical paper & posters were presented at conference. It is my proud privilege to express my heartfelt gratitude for overwhelming response for *Jaipur 2017*.

It would be understatement to mention that *Jaipur 2017* was a grand success, in terms of scale, content, technical richness and participation. I can't help but carry a sense of pride and fulfilment of successfully staging a grand show along with my team. I take this opportunity to thank each one of you, who has been directly or indirectly associated with *Jaipur 2017*, in any capacity whatsoever, be it committee member, an author, a delegate or as one involved in preparation at one stage or other. Needless to mention, an event of this magnitude cannot be successful without the wholehearted involvement and participation of distinguished geoscientists across the world, the various sponsors and many exhibitors. I would like to express my gratitude to each one of them for continually supporting SPG and its various events, which directly and indirectly, contribute to the progress of exploration geosciences in India.

A total of 22 keynote talks by experts from industry and academia were also presented during the technical sessions, which provided a great opportunity of learning to the participants. A total twenty four (24) Continuing Education (CE) courses were conducted on advance topics of geoscience delivered by domain experts from USA, Canada, Germany, Norway, Mexico and Indian IITs, Universities and CSIR Institutes. More than 400 geoscientists participated from ONGC, OIL, Cairn India Ltd. Tata Petrodyne, Vedanta, C-DAC and IISER, Pune. These courses not only helped in enhancing knowledge but also created a conducive environment for exchange of ideas in the future. The student community also actively participated in the conference in the various student sessions. The quiz program witnessed participation of 40 students from 17 Indian Universities, supported by their faculty members.

This issue of Geohorizons consists of five technical papers pertaining to different fields. I am sure, readers will find them interesting. This issue is also full of news items, including the glimpse of the 12<sup>th</sup> biennial conference Jaipur-2017. Those who could not participate in the conference can have an insight of the event through this issue of Geohorizons.

With Best Wishes,

  
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