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We are all aware that energy security of the nation continues to be the prime issue of concern and needs to be addressed to sustain the economic growth of our country. This is where the role of a geoscientist becomes pivotal. Geophysics, in particular, is most effective in petroleum search when results are integrated with other (high quality) G&G data to produce a robust holistic interpretation of the source-seal-reservoir relationship. Rapid developments in petroleum geophysics since mid-70's have been a response to the increasing importance of cost-effective exploration and exploitation of small, subtle and certainly more complex hydrocarbon traps.

As an active member of the Society of Petroleum Geophysicists - India, it has been my constant endeavor to widen our horizons. It gives me immense pleasure to announce the opening of another students chapter at 'Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University' (PDDPU) in Ahmedabad which was inaugurated on 25th August, 2009. This will not only strengthen our commitment to serve the society at large but will also go a long way in promoting Geosciences in India. We are also exploring the feasibility of opening a new Chapter in Bangladesh. Meanwhile the students chapter of Andhra Pradesh & Department of Geophysics jointly organized a 2 day National seminar on 'Contemporary Practices in Geophysical Exploration for Fossil Fuels' during Dec.10-11, 2009 successfully.

SPG -India has grown from strength to strength since its inception i.e. January, 1993. Today, we have reached an enviable position wherein global E&P companies look forward to participate in all the events of the conference. It has been our sincere endeavor to reach out to as many people as possible. An example being the 8th Biennial International Conference & Exposition scheduled at Hyderabad during February 1-3, 2010. This event will have an exclusive program for school children to enhance their awareness about geoscience and to motivate them to pursue geoscience as a professional course. There will also be a "Job Fair" that will help provide employment opportunities to fresh graduates.

This special issue of Geohorizon covers contributions from our members of North America Chapter. The issue is rich in quality & content and will be released on the inaugural day of the event "**Hyderabad, 2010**". Till then happy reading!!!

Welcome to Hyderabad - "The city of Pearls".


(Apurba Saha)
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