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## **EDITORIAL**

Dear Members,

At the outset let me convey our heartfelt sympathies to the people of Nepal and neighboring states in India where considerable loss of life and property has taken place due to the earthquake on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and again on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015 as we were going to press. In this issue, we have an exclusive article on subject from this Dr. Prabhas Pandey, Addl. D.G. (Retd) GSI a well

#### known expert in this field. Additionally we have compiled information from various sources including IAEG regarding engineering geological aspects of the earthquake. We also have an interesting article about reservoir rim stability together with regular features and election notification for new body (2016-17). The Secretary has also updated the list of members of ISEG which is placed in this issue.

Another important subject being debated currently is how to conserve our environment in the backdrop of heavy energy demand. Way back in 1980s a paper was published in Bulleting of Engineering Geology and Environment "Who is winning?" where the author dealt with environmental issues. In the end he said "nobody". Well if you want one word answer, this is it.

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## MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY

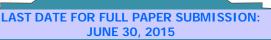
#### Dear Members,

Indian Society of Engineering Geology has been in service of nation by study of earthquakes besides Engineering Geology, Geotechniques and other natural hazards. Geoscienctific studies of natural hazards are undertaken with a view to minimize losses caused by them. Notwithstanding that earthquakes can neither be prevented nor predicted, study of geological information and data both for the source region and site of interest will help their effects minimized to surmount the disastrous effects. In the process,

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study of active faults (study of source region) and seismic microzonation (site interest) of urban of agglomerations in various geological domains of the country need prioritisation. Active Fault Mapping including seismotectonic assessment of some inter plate and intra plate faults underscores the relevance of studying the nature of region source οf earthquakes. Behaviour of the fault and its recurrence interval provide crucial clues for understanding perspective scenario. Seismic microzonation is subdividing an area prone to earthquake hazard, into micro zones, which would

supposedly behave in a similar way in case of impending earthquake. Urban planning and building rules may be guided by the results of seismic micro zones for a safer society. When the state of Uttarakhand was struck by a natural disaster like landslides, ISEG took a lead and conducted a Workshop focussed on the subject. Similarly, as Nepal and a few parts of India were affected by the Major earthquake on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2015, ISEG would do its bit by organising focussed studies in this regard very



# A Biannual Newsletter

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# **BIANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS**

#### November 2014 to April 2015

- 1. ISEG organized Geotechnical Orientation Program-2014 at Dehradun between 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Dr V. K. Sharma, Director, GSI, Dehradun was the Course-Coordinator for the above program.
- 2. The first meeting of the Executive Committee of International Conference on "Engineering Geology in New Millennium" (EGNM-2015) was conducted by ISEG under the Chairmanship of Shri R.N. Mishra, CMD, SJVNL and Convener, Executive Committee, EGNM at the office of SJVN Ltd, Saket, New Delhi on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2015. The meeting took stock of the progress made on various front of organizing EGNM. Representatives from event manager for EGNM were also present.
- 3. ISEG conducted Second Executive Committee (Organizing Committee) meeting of EGNM-2015 on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 at SJVNL office, Saket, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Dr Gopal Dhawan, President, ISEG and Chairman of Organising Committee, EGNM-2015. Shri R. N. Mishra, CMD, SJVNL & Convener, Executive Committee, Shri Y. Deva, Vice President–Asia, IAEG & Co-Chair and Shri M. Raju, Organising Secretary of EGNM-2015 evaluated the progress of various committees of EGNM and desired all committee members should rededicate themselves and leave no stone unturned for the successful organization of the International Conference. Representatives of M&M, the Event Management company were also present.

### 4TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MEGA EARTHQUAKE INDUCED VIC GEO-DISASTERS AND LONG TERM EFFECTS AT CHENDU, CHINA

**Y. Deva** Vice President, IAEG (Asia)

The State Key Laboratory of Geohazard Prevention and Geoenvironment Protection (SKLGP), Chengdu University of Technology and the China National Group of IAEG conducted their biennial 3-day International Symposium at SKLGP complex in Chengdu, China with 2-day post-symposium field excursions. The discussions revolved round advances in geo-hazard analysis, risk assessment and mapping; initiation and evolution mechanisms of geohazards; the disaster chain effects; evaluation

evaluation and control of geohazards (mitigation, prevention and protection strategies), geohazards and society (processes and impacts).

Amongst others, the inauguration was graced by Mr Zhiping Luo, Deputy Secretary-General of Sichuan Provincial People's Government and Mr Dong Liu, Director of Science & Technology Department of Sichuan Province.

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#### **EDITORIAL**

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We all know that energy demand is directly proportional to population growth as well as development and any system or market would look towards alternative forms of energy if the same is not available from one source. Whatever the reasons may be, right now hydro power has taken a back seat in power development scenario. The hydro development has seen a lot of activity in previous years but the technology in project development could have been more advanced by now. For a specific country or a region, various factors may play a role as to which form of energy causes least impact to the environment. One reason why hydro electric power projects have slowed down is due to their size which appears to be huge and has consequential environmental impacts. However, in a river valley scheme EIA can be done and environmental impact minimized or ameliorative measures taken. In other forms of energy development this may not be true actually. For example, power shortages in the country are leading to uncontrolled use of battery operated backups which are popularly called as inverters or diesel generating sets which are both smaller in size and do not attract attention. Nevertheless if their numbers are added and an assessment is done regarding their toxic waste disposal mechanism the overall environmental impacts shall be more clear. It would be interesting to have a study on these aspects also. Therefore, planned development of sources which are having minimal environmental impacts is the need of the hour.

Preparations for EGNM are in full swing. We have already sent 224 acceptance letters to prospective authors. The Chairman of the OC Dr Gopal Dhawan, CMD, MECL, Co-Chairman Shri Y. Deva and Organizing Secretary Shri M. Raju are leaving no stone unturned in making the program a success.

The encouragement and support given by Convener of Executive Committee Shri R.N. Mishra CMD, SJVNL is praiseworthy and will go a long way in making the conference a success. Recently the core team of EGNM had a meeting with Shri A.K. Pujari Secretary Mines, GoI. Shri Pujari who is also Chairman, Advisory Committee for EGNM gave valuable advice and encouragement for the event. We are getting full support from International Association of Engineering Geology also who are sponsors for the event.

As convener of Editorial Committee, I request all the authors to send their full papers by June 30<sup>th</sup> 2015 to make the event memorable. All are requested to visit our website www.egnmindia2015.org and see the updates.

I end with prayers for people affected by the earthquake. Our thoughts are with them.

With kind regards

Imran Sayeed Editor

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#### MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY (Continued From Page 1)

As all of you know that we are fast heading towards ISEG's Golden Jubilee Celebrations and as a part of it, the ensuing International Conference in Engineering Geology (EGNM), is scheduled on 27-29 October, 2015, at IIT Delhi, New Delhi. As a part of preparations to EGNM, we have developed an exclusive website for the International Conference www.egnmindia2015.org open to public with all updated and related information of EGNM, having a facility to submit Abstracts, Papers and Registrations online. Further, we have also revamped the existing webpage www.isegindia.org for its effective interaction with people. ISEG also developed an exclusive website www.joegindia.org for ISEG's Journal of Engineering Geology, which is linked to the main website of the ISEG. The exclusive website of Journal of Engineering Geology has facility for sending papers directly and have connections to editing and to other peer reviewers. ISEG News, which is a biannual Newsletter, ISEG's Journal of Engineering Geology, which is also biannual, were also revamped to meet the Golden Jubilee celebration of the Society. ISEG released two Circulars on the Conference and a Brochure for Sponsorships, inviting sponsorships, advertisements and other commercial related aspects. ISEG finalised Event Management Group, "Meetings and More", Gurgaon to conduct the event and to facilitate organising other related issues.

We intend to organise the International event under overall guidance of an Advisory body and accordingly, constituted an Advisory Council for the EGNM under the Chairmanship of Shri Anup K. Pujari, Secretary, MoM, GoI, with about 23 Members of very senior level managers and administrators associated with various organisations in the country, with their due consent. Further, ISEG also constituted its own Organising Committee constituting various dignitaries from different fields to organise the event. Though the Members of the Organising Committee are stationed at various places of the country, they are in touch with each other regularly through mails and formal meetings of the Committee were also conducted at Nagpur, Kolkata and New Delhi to discuss various issues in organising the Conference.

ISEG, which is a National Group of International Association for Engineering Geology and the Environment (IAEG), could obtain the consent of IAEG to sponsor the event. Further, IAEG has also agreed to organise their Executive meeting and annual Council meeting at the same venue, coinciding with the EGNM. It will help to enhance participation of a good number of foreign participants and experts in the discipline to join the Conference, which will certainly help to elevate importance of the Conference. The other main sponsorers of the event could be Geological Survey of India, Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd., SJVN Ltd., Mangdechhu Hydroelectric Project Authority, Thimpu, Bhutan, Jaiprakash Associates limited, Mangdechhu HE Project, Bhutan and NTPC. As the offer to sponsor the event is open, many others are expected to join the event very soon. As we propose big budget for the event and as the commitments obtained so far are very meager, it should be our sincere endeavour to garner adequate funds to meet the requirement.

On our invitation to Abstracts for EGNM, about 200 Abstracts were received, which were scrutinized by our Editorial Board, consisting of a panel of experts and conveyed their consent with required suggestions and they are now under the process of submitting full papers. The last date for submission of full papers is scheduled on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2015. Keynote speakers / Invited lectures were identified from national and international experts and special requests were sent to them for their participation. On receiving their consent, about 24 Keynote speakers / Invited lectures were finalised, who will present their addresses during prime time of the Conference. It is proposed to bring out hard copy of publication of the Conference as priced volume. However, soft copy of the volume will be given to all participants of the Conference. It is proposed to bring out a Special Volume, to commemorate Golden Jubilee of the ISEG, which will highlight history and various anecdotes in the development of ISEG. Dignitaries, especially veterans associated with the ISEG since long, have been identified and requested them to contribute to this volume. It is also proposed to bring out a Souvenir during the Conference, which will accommodate advertisements, a few articles etc.

It is proposed that as a sequel to the Conference, Technical Excursions will follow in subsequent days of the Conference at an extra expense. Two such sites were identified, (i) Nathpa-Jhakri Hydroelectric Project, Rampur, Himachal Pradesh and (ii) Tehri Hydroelectric Project, Uttarakhand. Visits to both the projects will be organised simultaneously, so that the participants can choose and attend only one project. Excursion Guides were prepared for both the projects and posted in EGNM website.

And now, as the term of the present Council of ISEG comes to an end in December, 2015, nominations for the next Council (Term 2016-2017) are invited in the prescribed format along with supporting documents of the Nominee. A tentative time table is also proposed for electing the next Council of ISEG. All Members are requested to participate in electing the new Council and help to function the Council in a democratic way.

Yours sincerely,

(M. RAJU) Secretary, ISEG.

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Stephen Hawking

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# ISEG ORGANISES GEOTECHNICAL ORIENTATION PROGRAMME (GOP)- 2014 AT DEHRADUN

**Dr. V.K. Sharma** Director, GSI, Dehradun Course Coordinator, GOP-2014



Photograph 1 : Inauguration function of GOP-2014

Geotechnical Orientation Programme, an initiative of Indian Society of Engineering Geology was organised at Dehra Dun (Uttarakhand) during 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014 aiming to impart basic knowledge of common geotechnical aspects to young professionals engaged in engineering geological/ geotechnical and civil engineering works. This short orientation course conducted by the society in 'Doon Valley' for the first time elicited good response and was attended by 24 working professionals from different Public Sector organizations viz. Singareni Collieries, Kothagudem (Telangana State); Chenab Valley Power Projects (CVPP); Jammu, Sutlej Jal Vidyut Nigam Ltd (SJVNL), Shimla; National Thermal Power Corporation, Noida; Tehri Hvdro Development Corporation, Rishikesh and NEEPCO, Shillong; engaged in the fields of power and infrastructure development. The Society, in an attempt to dissipate information presented a book on 'Hydropower for common understanding' by Sh. S. C. Mittal, published by M.R. Foundation, Gurgaon and 'A field guide book' to each participant.

The inauguration of the programme was held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at Hotel Pacific located at the heart of the city. Dr. V.K. Sharma, Director, GSI, Dehradun and Course Coordinator of GOP-2014, welcomed dignitaries present on the dais S/Sh. H.K. Upreti, Engineer-in-Chief, PWD, Government of Uttarakhand, Prof. A.K. Awasthi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Graphic Era University, Dehradun, Dr. P.C. Nawani, Former President, ISEG and distinguished guests and all the participants from different corners of the country for their interest in the GOP and to the city of Dehradun- situated in the foothills of the Himalayan and Siwalik ranges, nestled between the rivers Ganges and Yamuna.

The inaugural address was delivered by Mr. H.K. Upreti, Engineerin-Chief, Public Works Department (PWD), Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun. Mr. Upreti in his address emphasized revitalization of geotechnical investigations and improvements in civil design and construction process for sustainable infrastructure projects especially in Himalayan geo-environment. He stressed that engineering geological evaluation is going to play a pivotal role in major infrastructural projects. Such evaluation, has a vital influence on the progress of a project since any unexpected or unexplored sub-surface geological condition may delay the schedule of the project. The disasters that happened in Uttarakhand



Photograph 2 : Sh. M. Raju, Sh. R.N. Mishra, Dr. Gopal Dhawan, Dr. Prabhas Pande, Dr. V.K. Sharma, Sh. Y. Deva, Sh. Ashok Kumar and Dr. R. Rath (left to right) along with participants of GOP-2014.

during June 2013 have impacted the infrastructure developmental models. There is an urgent need to understand the actual causes of such catastrophes and revisit technology of infrastructure development in Himalayan Region. As such the role of geology and geotechnique in massive reconstruction and rehabilitation in general and repairs of road network, realignment of critical road stretches and other infrastructure facilities has become essential. The above challenges clearly indicate that re-thinking and changes desired in most of the geotechnical endeavor. He hoped that lectures during GOP by eminent engineers, professional geologists and academicians from reputed institutes of the country would enrich the knowledge of the participants coming from different parts of the country.

Prof. A.K. Awasthi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Graphic Era University, Dehradun highlighted that engineering geology is an applied science in which the principles of geosciences to engineering practice for the purpose of assuring that the geologic factors affecting the location, design, construction, operation and maintenance of Civil engineering works are recognized and adequately provided for. He opined that the realm of the engineering geologist is essentially in the area of earth-structure interactions, or investigation of how the earth or earth processes impact human made structures and human activities. Dr. P.C. Nawani, President (Hydro), Jindal Power Ltd. and Former President of ISEG, the guest of honor for the function delivered inaugural lecture on an overview of historical development of the engineering geology and emerging trend of technological frontiers to address the critical issues of underground civil structures.

The GOP-14 had *Six* technical sessions, excursion and visit to National Geotechnical Facility (NGF) at Dehradun. The technical sessions covered the practical application of Soil Mechanics, Rock mechanics, rock cut slopes, engineering geological guidelines for preparation of DPRs for hydroelectric projects, engineering geological mapping, seismo-tectonic studies, underground structures in rock etc by eminent engineers and geologists from IITs, GSI, ISEG and various public sector/private organizations. The field demonstration of some typical landslides and determination of rock mass properties were explained by the faculty.

#### **ISEG NEWS**

#### April 2015

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Photograph 1 : Inauguration, IAEG Symposium Chengu

Photograph 2 : Welcome Banquet

Speaking on the occasion, while referring the recent Nepal Earthquake, Mr Yogendra Deva, Vice President of IAEG for Asia, drew attention of the audience to the impact of mega earthquakes in the Himalaya on India, China and other countries sharing it, and invited IAEG to initiate regionally coordinated studies on the effects and mitigation of earthquake induced geo-disasters. The technical sessions of the symposium, selectively conducted in parallel, had 14 Keynote Lectures, 22 Invited Lectures and 29 presentations of submitted abstracts. The main focus of discussions remained on co-seismic landslides, slope failures and debris flows. The "International Journal of Geohazards and Environment" was also inaugurated on the occasion. The Journal is available at the IJGE website http:/ojs.library.dal.ca/ijge.

#### **ISEG ORGANISES GOP - 2014 AT DEHRADUN**

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Prof. Yudhbir, former professor of Soil Mechanics, IIT Kanpur, deliberated upon the application of Soil Mechanics and dealt with soil classification, behavior and failure criteria of soils and explained how shear strength and stiffness of soil determines soil stability or deformations. Prof. S. Mittal of IIT-Roorkee gave a presentation on technological development in stability of slopes and slope cuts and showed case studies of soil nailing techniques. Dr. R.K. Goel of CIFR, Roorkee explained various aspects of rock mass classification and characterization using Q-system. He also took hand-on tutorials/ practice session of rock parameter determination. Sh Prashant Mishra, Director, GSI, Kolkata explained at length about the engineering geological investigations for preparation of DPR for Water Resource Development projects. He presented various case studies on hydroelectric projects. The participants were taken to National Geotechnical Facility (NGF) - a DST laboratory, and shown the procedures for geotechnical testing of rock and soil. Dr Vikram Gupta, Scientist, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG) gave a field demonstration of Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR).

Dr. V.K. Sharma, Director, GSI, Dehradun delivered lectures on Engineering Geological Mapping (EGM) on various scales for planning and design of major civil engineering projects. Dr. Prabhas Pande, Former ADG,GSI elaborated on seismo-tectonic investigations with respect to hydroelectric projects. Sh. Y. Deva, ICCS, New Delhi and former Director of GSI, gave a presentation on geological imponderables in tunnel investigations and gave account of case studies of various projects where geological surprises affected the project planning. Sh Ashok Kumar, Director, GSI, Lucknow delivered lecture on underground structures in rock: geological influence, exploration and excavation. A technical presentation with case studies and state-ofthe art practices on 'Underground Caverns' was given by Dr R. Rath of Engineers India Ltd., New Delhi.

Dr. Gopal Dhawan, CMD, MECL and President ISEG shared his vast experience on hydro project and gave an overview on geotechnical explorations for hydro and mining projects in Indian context. Sh. Rajeev Vishnoi, GM (Design), THDC, Rishikesh gave presentation on the design of rock cut slopes with special references to Himalayan conditions. Sh. H. Bahuguna, UJVNL, Dehradun delivered a lecture on geotechnical problems of reservoirs with reference to Tehri dam. A lecture on geological explorations for WRD projects and associated geological surprises was given by Sh. B.M. Gairola, Director, EPE Division, GSI, New Delhi.

Dr. Prabhas Pande, Former ADG, GSI was the Chief guest and Sh M. Raju, Dy. D.G and National Mission Head, M-IV, GSI, Kolkata graced the occasion as guest of honor in valediction function of GOP-2014 held on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2014. The programme ended with a 360° evaluation with an all round positive notes given by the participants and distribution of certificates by the Chief Guest.

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Photograph 3 : GOP deliberations in progress



Photograph 4 : Valediction



Photograph 5 : Distribution of certificates

# PRESIDENT OF INDIA PRESENTED NATIONAL GEOSCIENCE AWARDS-2013

President of India Shri. Pranab Mukherjee presented National Geoscience Awards (NGA)-2013 at the Rashtrapati Bhawan in New Delhi on 6th April, 2015. The annual awards are presented to honour individuals and teams of geo-scientists for their outstanding contributions in the field of fundamental or Applied Geosciences, Mining and Allied areas. The Awards are given in sixteen fields under four broad sections viz., 1: Mineral Discovery and Exploration; 2: Mining, Mineral Beneficiation and Sustainable Mineral Development; 3: Basic Geoscience; 4: Applied Geoscience.

For the year 2013, Dr. Indra Bir Singh, Professor of Geology at Lucknow University, was conferred with the highest honour *"National Geoscience Award for Excellence"* for his outstanding contributions in the field of Sedimentology. Along with him, 22 other Geo-scientists from various organisations viz., GSI, CGWB, ISM, CSIR-CIMFR, UCIL, IIT-Kharagpur, etc. were also awarded at the ceremony.



National Geoscience Awards 2013 : Award Ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi



Dr. Gopal Dhawan, President, ISEG and CMD, MEC Ltd also attended the award ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi on 6 April, 2015.

Imran Sayeed

Editor, ISEG

#### **TENSIONED ROCK BOLTS: A FEW LESSONS**

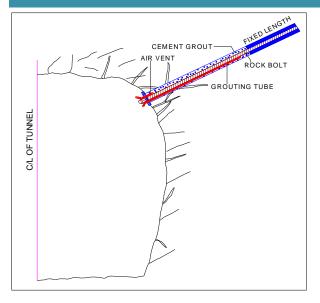


Figure 1 : Tensioned Rock Bolt

#### 1.0 BASICS

Tensioned rock bolts are defined as simple rock bolts anchored at one end which are tensioned always after installation. A base plate and nut ensures transfer of load suitably. It is important to ensure proper tensioning so that all the components are in contact and a positive force is applied to rock says Dr. E. Hoek (refer Rocscience, Canada). The amount of tension to be given may vary from 50% to 70% of the capacity of the bolt. The calculation for total capacity of the bolt is taken from the yield capacity of steel used and diameter of the steel rod. In India Fe 500 grade of steel is generally used. Generally 1/3 length of the rock bolt is kept as fixed length. The idea is to keep the same pasted to rock mass so that it does not rotate or gets loosened on tensioning. Therefore, the fixed length anchorage should be greater than the capacity of the bolt itself. Other areas of failures are the threads and nut which have to take the load and need to be of high precision and guality.

Corrosion and rusting are the primary causes of failure of rock bolts in the long term, it is important that annular space between the rock bolt and circumference of the hole in balance 2/3 free length is grouted apart from anticorrosion protective coating. This grouting also helps in firmly keeping the bolt in the middle of the hole. We have experimented with water cement ratios ranging from 0.32 (thick paste) to 0.6 in the field depending on rock mass condition. For effective grouting the mix should not be too fluid with a water cement ratio 0.4 to 0.5 as suggested by Dr. Hoek.

#### 2.0 DISCUSSION

The fixed length can be secured by mechanical shell or resin cartridges but



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Payments may be made through Bank Transfer as detailed below:

UCO Bank, GSI Branch,
Aliganj, Lucknow
'INDIAN.SOC.OF.ENG.'
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Regards

M. RAJU, Secretary, ISEG

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#### ELECTION NOTIFICATION TO THE ISEG EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR THE TERM 2016-2017

### LAST DATE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS IS 31<sup>st</sup> JULY 2015

As the term of the present Council comes to an end in December, 2015, nominations for the next Council (Term: 2016-2017) are invited in the prescribed format along with supporting documents of the Nominee and IAEG Membership dues (if not already paid). The nominations should be duly proposed and seconded by ISEG Members of good standing i.e., Life Members or those Members (M, IM & AM) who have paid their annual subscription upto the year 2015. The acceptance of the Nominee may also be obtained on the Nomination Form itself or sent separately. List of ISEG Members is placed in the ISEG News for reference. The Nominees are requested to go through the following information pertains to election.

#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- The Nominee must be a Life Member of the ISEG.
- The Nominee must be a Member of IAEG (International Association for Engineering Geology and the Environment) for the year of commencement of ISEG term for which the election is being contested. Therefore, the IAEG dues of the Nominee (with bulletin) for the year 2016 must stand cleared on or before submission of the Nomination Form.

 IAEG Annual Membership fee with bulletin, worth 29 Euros may be paid through Bank Transfer as detailed below. Name of the Bank: UCO Bank, GSI Branch, Aliganj, Lucknow Name of account: 'INDIAN.SOC.OF.ENG.' Account Number: 90330200000045 IFSC Code No. : UCBA0002024

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The nominee must attach his brief bio-data, photograph and mailing details (including email id and telephone number) with the Nomination Form. The brief bio-data may not exceed 100 words and must include information on organizational affiliation, designation, date of birth, academic qualification with year and institution and professional experience.

#### NOMINATION VALIDITY

The nominations will be invalid if:

- The Nomination Forms submitted are incomplete.
- The Nomination Forms are not accompanied by supporting documents.
- There is nomination of the same person for more than one post.
- Nomination(s) is/are not accompanied by the acceptance of the Nominee.
- In case of outstation Nominees, the acceptance may be sent separately but must reach the Secretary, ISEG on or before the due date of submission of Nomination Form. This must also be mentioned in the Nomination Form.
- The Nomination form do not attach the IAEG Annual Membership fee (with bulletin) for year 2016.

#### **KEY DATES**

31 <sup>st</sup> July, 2015 :	Last date for receiving nominations
31 <sup>st</sup> August, 2015 :	Acceptance of nominations
15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2015 :	Last date for withdrawal of nominations, if any
30 <sup>th</sup> September, 2015 :	Declaration of final list of Nominees for various posts
	(to be published in October, 2015 issue of ISEG News)
30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015 :	Last date for receiving duly filled in voting sips
December, 2015 :	Declaration of Election Results during AGM of ISEG (Exact date will be announced subsequently)
	(LACE date will be allounced subsequently)

#### NOMINATION SUBMISSION

Duly filled in Nomination Form of the Nominee, along with supporting documents and payment of IAEG dues (if not already paid) is to be sent by Registered Post, or in person to the address mentioned below. The nominees may also submit scanned copy of their Nomination Form to ISEG email at <u>india.seg@gmail.com</u>

The Secretary, ISEG, C/o Dy. Director General & HoD, Geological Survey of India, Eastern Region, Bhu Bijnan Bhawan, DK-6, Sector-II, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700 91. Mobile: 09432672087

(M. RAJU) Secretary, ISEG

# Indian Society of Engineering Geology ELECTION TO THE ISEG EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR THE TERM 2016-2017

#### NOMINATION FORM

(The duly filled in form must reach the Secretary, ISEG on or before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2015.)

I, .....hereby nominate the under mentioned members for election.

S.No.	Post	Vacancy	Name of Nominee	Membership Number	Signature of the Nominee in token of his acceptance of nomination*
1	President	1			
2	Vice President	3			
3	Secretary	1			
4	Jt. Secretary	2			
5	Treasurer	1			
6	Editor	1			
7	Council Member(s)	10			

\*If the acceptance is sent separately, please indicate so.

#### Enclosure:

Nominee's brief bio-data, photograph and mailing details (Email id and telephone number)

Signature of Proposer ISEG Membership Number

I, ....., hereby second the above nominee.

Signature of Seconder ISEG Membership Number

# COMPLETE LIST OF ISEG MEMBERS (UPDATED APRIL 2015)

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1	Alok, B.K.	Dehradun	No M	101	Mohanti, A.K.*		No LM		1 <b>г</b>	Deva Yogendra	Noida	No M	301	Moghri, A.*	
2	Agarwal, Y.K.	Demadum	M	101	Mokashi, S.L.*		M	20		atyanarayan, G.C.	Noida	LM	302	Agarwal V.K.	Lucknow
3	Aich, B.N.	Kolkata	М	103	Mukhopadhyay, M.M.		LM			Rawat, J.S.	Dehradun	М	303	Saxena, K.R.*	
4	Andotra, B.S.		LM		Mukhopadhyay, U.S.	Kolkata	М	20		okras, K.V.*		LM	304	Hemmady, A.K.R.	Mumbai
5	Ashraf, Zamir	Lucknow	LM		Mullick, B.B.		LM			Aehrotra A.	Lucknow	LM	305	Narsimham, C.V.L.	
6	Bahadur, A.K.*		LM	106	Murti, N.G.K.**		LM			hepe, A.B.	Nagpur	LM	306	Divatia, Miss. E.	New Delhi
7 8	Balasundaram, M.S.**		M M	107 108	Nanda, Kailashnath*		LM LM			Ahmed, M.J.	Bhubaneshwar	LM	307	Agarwal, K.K.	Jaipur
8 9	Bandopadhyay, M.** Bandyopadhyay, M.R.**			108	Naruvkar, P.H.*	Mumbai	M	20 20		Patil, A.R.		LM M	308 309	Joshi, V.K.	Nainital
10	Banerjee, K.	Kolkata		110	Natu, S.V. Nautiyal, S.P.**	wumbai	LM			Sen, Aloke* Singh, Pratap**		LM	309	Jhala, H.P.* Nayak, A.K.	
11	Bansode, R.B.**	KUKata		111	Obron, Dr. L.E.		LM			Supta, Dr. U.P.	Dehradun	LM	311	Sinha, Dr. A.K.	Lucknow
12	Basu, A.R.	Kolkata	LM		Pande, Prabhas	Lucknow	LM			Dhar, Y.R.	Dhanbad	M	312	Prakash, N.D.*	Edeknow
13	Kumar, Asim	Kolkata	LM		Pant G.	Lucknow	LM			Prakash, Indra	Gandhinagar	M	313	Subramaniam, Dr. S.*	ł
14	Basu, Sanat Kumar	Kolkata	LM	114	Parthasarthy, B.	Bangalore	LM			Rao, J.S.R. Mohan	Hyderabad	LM	314	Bhattacharya, A.K.	Kolkata
15	Basu Chowdhary, S.		LM	115	Patil, B.B.		LM			nabalagan, R.	Roorkee		315	VACANT	
16	Bery, M.N.	New Delhi	М	116	Pattanaik, K.M.*		М	21		Basauraj, A.*		LM	316	Jha, V.K.	
17	Bhagat, R.K.*			117	Phukan, S.N.			21		Basavraj, R.	Ganeshgudi	М	317	Shah, M.M.*	
18	Bhandari, R.C.*	Noida		118	Pradhan, S.R.	Nagpur	LM			Devraj, Char			318	VACANT	
19	Bhandari, Dr R.K.*	Dume	M	119	Prakash, Munendra*		М	21		Ramaswamy, V.S.*	Manufact	М	319	Rao, N. Subba*	Ford data and
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21	Bhat, B.T. Biswas, S.R.N.		M M	121	Rai, R.A.*		M	22		/aldiya, K.S.*		IM	321	Patel, Dr. P.P. GSI, Calcutta*	vadodara
22	Borwankar, A.N.	Bhopal	LM		Raichur, A. Ramchandra		LM			Singh, Santosh Kumar		LM	322	Ametha, Dr. S.S.	Chittorgarh
24	Chakravarty, D.C.*	briopa	LM		Rajagopalan, G.	Chennai		22		Supta, Sudhindra	Kolkata	LM	324	Avasthy, R.K.	Lucknow
25	Chakraborty, R.B.	Kolkata		124	Raju, K.C.C.	Hyderabad		22		Didwal, Dr.R.S.	Jammu Tawi	LIVI	324	Sharma, Kumud	Lucknow
26	Chandra Ramesh		LM		Rao, Dr. R.V.		LM			Singh, Alam	Jaipur	LM	326	Kumar, L.V.^	
27	Chatterjee, Dr. Barin	Kolkata	LM	127	Ramachandran, B.**	Chennai	M	22		hukan, C.N.*		LM	327	Gupta, I.C.	
28	Char, A.K.		LM	128	Ranade, S.G.		LM	22	8 F	Raha, L.C.		LM	328	Punj, S.K.	New Delhi
29	Chaterjee, B.		LM		Ranganathswaamy, A.P.	Hyderabad	LM			Parial, B.N.		LM	329	Jatana, B.L.	Agra
30	Chaterji, G.C.**	N 11	LM		Rao, G. Ram Mohan		LM			Caistha, G.K.	New Delhi	LM	330	Mukherjee, Dipak	New Delhi
31	Chatterjee, P.K.	Kolkata			Rai, M. Gopal		LM			wamy, M.M.	Bangalore	LM	331	Krishan, Hari	
32	Chaturvedi S.N.	Lucknow	M	132	Rao, N.S.*			23		Goswami, P.C.		LM	332	Khan, P.A.	
33	Chhibber, I.B.	Nagpur		133	Rao, K.R. Narayan			23		Sharma, V.S.	Now Dalk:	M	333	Bamzai, J.L.*	Jammu
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40	Chowdhary, A.K.**		LM		Sensharma, S.B.	Kolkata	LM			Anand, S.K.**	Lucknow	LM	340	Dhawan, Gopal	New Delhi
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42	Cook, Dr. J.B.		LM	142	Shah, K.N.		LM	24	2 [	Dayal H.M.	Lucknow	IM	342	MERI*	
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45	Gupta, Praful Kumar Das		М	145	Sharma, M.C.*		М	24		Sharma, S.P.*		LM	345	Soni, P.H.	Vadodara
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57	Gangopadhyay, Dr.	Kolkata	М	157	Singh, J.P.*		М	25	57 S	Freerangaraju, L.V.*		LM	357	Patel, V.P.	-
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62	Gupta, Ram Nivas*		LM		Sreenivasaiah, P.V.	Choppoi	LM M			Aallikarjuna, P.R.	Bangalore	LM	362	Patel, V.B.	Vadodara
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66	Gulati, Satindra (Aimil)*		LM		Srivastava, K.N.**		LM			Aittal, B.P.		LM	367	Patel, J.R.	
67	Doscher, Dr. Hans		LM		Srivastava L.S.**		LM			(ulkarni, P.S.		LM	368	Parikh, M.M.	Vadodara
68	Harkauli, A.N.	New Delhi	LM	169	Srivastava V.B.	Lucknow	LM	26	9 <b>C</b>	Guru Rao, S.N.	Bangalore	LM	369	Bulsara, D.H.	Valsad (Gujr
69	Hazra, P.C.**			170	Subramaniyam, S.N.*		LM	27	'0 <b>A</b>	Igarwal, L.N.	-	LM	370	Bhatt, R.M.	Vadodara
70	Hebli, C.S.			171	Subrahmanyam, V.			27		Rajvanshi, P.S.	Dehradun		371	Bansode, U.V.	Vadodara
71	Hukku, B.M.	Lucknow		172	Sundaram, R.K.			27		Aahajan, J.L.		LM	372	Joshi, A.N.	Vadodara
72	Jalote P.M.	Lucknow	M	173	Swarup, Ajay*	<b>T</b>		27		enapaty, A.M.		LM	373	Krishnani, R.P.	Vadodara
73 74	Jalote S.P. Jangle, J.T.*	Lucknow		174	Thomas, K.C.	Trivendram	М	27		latrajan, P.*		LM	374	Pophali, P.M.	Vadodara
74	Joshi, N.G.		LIVI	175	Tikku, A.K.	Noida	LM LM			Basauraj, B.M.**		M M	375	Patel, K.G.*	
76	Judd, Dr. William		1.64	176 177	VACANT Tewary, G.P.	Varanasi	LM M	27 27		/irdi, N.S. Radhakrishnan, K.G.*		M LM	376 377	Vyas, D.V.* Desai, N.D.	Vadodara
77	Kant, B.*		M	178	Tiwari, R.L.*	varanasi		27		Shatia, S.K.	Pune		378	Ahluwalia, P.P.	Ahmedabad
78	Kar, R.N.*			179	Tripathi, B.N.*			27		Goswami, S.C.	Dibrugarh		379	Mahendra Kumar, C.	Vadodara
79	Kasliwal, V.K.	Jaipur		180	Tripathi, Jagannath		LM			Relan. A.K.	Faridabad			Doshi	u
80	Kaul, P.N.*		LM		Tripathi, S.C.	Bhubaneshwar	LM			Seshagiri, D.N.	Chennai	LM	380	Misri, B.L.	
81	Krishnamurty, J.G.*		LM	182	Vardan, V.K.S.**		М	28	12 F	Raju, D.V.*		LM	381	Vaidya, Piyush H.	Vadodara
82	Krishnamurthy, K.S.	Bangalore	М	183	Vasudeva, S.N.*		LM			Chari, Dr. K.V.R.**		LM	382	Munshi, R.N.	Gandhi Naga
83	Krishnaswamy, V.S.		LM		Venkataramaeh, P.		LM			Parathasarathy, K**		М	383	Oza, H.S.*	Dut
84	Kulkarni, V.N.**		LM		Venkatraman, A.R.		LM			Aazumdar, N.		LM	384	Prasad, S.N.	Patna
85 86	Kumar, Arun*	Dharamshala		186	Verma, Harish Chandra	C	М	28		/ishwanadham, A.*		M	385	Sinha, P.	
86 87	Kumar, Surendra Lovas, Dr. L.	Dharamshala	LM		Verma, Dr. P.N.	Greater Noida	M	28		Cameshwar, D.R.*		M M	386	Rajan, S. Sinha B.B.	
87 88	Lovas, Dr. L. Madhavan, M.N.	Patna	LM LM		Vyavaharkar, D.A. West, W.D.**	Mumbai	LM LM			Aurty, G.S.		M LM	387 388	Sinha, R.P. Desai, B.I.	
89	Mahajani, H.V.	Bhopal		189	Ali, Hamzah **		M	28		Rao, S.L.		LIVI	388	Modhwadia,K.E.	Ahmedabad
89 90	Mahalik, N.K.	Bhubaneshwar		190	All, Hamzan AA Anand, D.B.	New Delhi	M LM			Cumarswamy, M.*	Pune	LIVI	389	Shah, M.F.	Junicududu
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92	Mazumdar, A.K.			192	Niyogi, B.N.**	Sangulore	M	29		Dharmraj, A.*	injucrabad	LM	392	Pancholi, D.I.	Vadodara
93	Mane, P.M.**			194	Malbarna, B.D.	Jammu		29		iwari, M.	Lucknow	LM	393	Mistry, J.F.	Vadodara
94	Mathew, Kurien**			195	Ray, Sukanta		LM			Subrahmanayam, P.**		LM	394	Singha, D.R.	Greater Noi
95	Mathur, P.C.*			196	Srivastava K.K.	Lucknow	M	29		Paul, Chinnoy*	Kolkata	LM	395	Prasad, Har	Greater Noi
96	Mathur, S.K.	New Delhi		197	Narula, P.L.	Faridabad	M	29		/erma, D.K.*		LM	396	Gupta, R.K.	
97	Mehta, D.N.				Varma R.S.**	Lucknow	LM			shah, C.S.	Vadodara	LM	397	Sharma, M.L.	
98	Mehta, P.N. **			199	Parathasarathy, A.		IM			Director, CDO, M.P.*		LM	398	Kotai, R.L.	
99	Misra, K.L.			200	Kamble, D.T.**			30		Aandwal N.K.	Lucknow		399	Jindal, S.K.	
100	Misra, V.N.*												400	Rana, G.S.	
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<b>lo</b> M 401	Singh, A.P.		No	501	Singh, Harpal		No M	601	Ravendra, Nath*		No LM	701	Srivastava, B.S.**	
vi 401 vi 402	Rajvanshi, U.S.	Greater Noida	LM		Chandra, Dinesh		M	602	Wadhwa, R.S.		LM	702	Gupta H.	Lucknow
A 403	Khanna, M.M.L.		LM	503	Agarwal, C.K.	New Delhi	LM	603	Raina, B.N.	Agra	М	703	Nayar, K.M.*	
404	Aggarwala, A.K.		LM		Arora, Brij Mohan	Lucknow	М	604	Venkatappa, Rao. G.*		М	704	Munerudrappa, N.*	
1 405	Thakkar, A.K.		LM		Arova, J.S.		LM	605	Ramamurthy, T.	New Delhi	M M	705	Parthsarthy, N.*	
1 406 1 407	Chaudhary, S.G.	Vadadara	LM M	506 507	Agarwal, H.G. Gupta, R.M.*		M LM	606 607	Gokhle, V.L.** Diwanji, S.N.	Nasik	M	706 707	Bose, R.N.* Kakoty, I.S.*	
407 1 408	Patel, S.I. Patel, N.I.	Vadodara	LM		Madan, S,K.		M	608	Seshgiri, Rao. K.*	INDSIK	LM	708	Bhattacharya, A.	
409	Joshi, M.R.		LM		Giri, S.C.	Lucknow	LM	609	Bhatnagar, Shashank	Jammu Tawi	М	709	Phadke, N.K.*	
410	Desai, K.D.		LM		Pujji, J.S.	New Delhi	LM	610	Dalela I.K.	Lucknow	М	710	Sharma, H.H.**	
411	VACANT		LM		Gupta, J.C.		М	611	Sarkar, V.K.*		М	711	Sangewar, C.V.*	
/ 412	Patel, Nalin M.	Vadodara	LM		Gandhi, P	Kolkata	LM	612	Nagrajan, R.	Mumbai	M M	712 713	Basu, D.L.* Chattopadhyay, B.*	
VI 412 413	Tamhankar, A.D.	Vauouaia	LM LM		Raina, Chamanlal DasfyorM Sujit		M M	613 614	Singh, A.* Singh, H.*		M	713	Ravindran, K.V.*	
414	Desai, Miss. J.K.		LIVI		Sharma. L.K.		LM	615	Sharma, L.D.		M	715	Biswas, R.K.*	
415	Mehta, Smt. D.Y.		LM		Rathi, A.K.		LM	616	Srivastava Ashwini K	Lucknow	M	716	Singh, K.N.*	
416	Shah, P.N.			517	VACANT		М	617	Garg, J.M.*		М	717	Sogari, K.C.*	
VI 417	Joshi, H.M.	Vadodara					М	618	Bhargava, S.K.*		LM	718	Shenolikar, A.K.	
418 419	Chauhan, M.F. Tapilavala, V.C.		LM	518 519	Monde, O.D. Jain, K.K.	New Delhi	LM	619	Prasad, V.		M M	719	Malhotra, A.N.*	
419 A 420	Patel, A.C.	Vadodara	IM	520	Research Officer*	Vadodara	LM M	620 621	Waza, J.L.** Agarwal, B.M.*		M	720 721	Mukherjee, N.K.* Srivastava, V.C.*	
421	Patel, B.J.	Vadodala	M	521	Sharma, D.K.*	Vadodara	M	622	Kumar, Rishi*		LM	722	Bagchi, A.	Kolkata
A 422	Patel, A.P.	Amdavad	м	522	Dava Sonam*		M	623	Singh, T.*		LM	723	Agarwal, P.D.	
A 423	Patel, N.M.	Gandhi Nagar	М	523	Vedanti, U.D.*		м	624	Srivastava, H.K.*		LM	724	Singh, V.	New Del
Λ 424	Patel, B.P.		М	524	Patel, Bharat*		М	625	Chandra, Mahesh*		М	725	Roy, A.K.*	
A 425	Patel, Y.L.		LM	525	Pathak, S.C.		LM	626	Roy Chowdhary, M.K.		M	726	Kumar, S.*	
∧ 426 ∧ 427	Soni, D.J. Desai, J.T.		IM LM	526 527	Geologist-1* Dhebar, N.I.		LM	627	Malpathak, Ganesh	Pune	M M	727 728	Bajpai, S.* Nath S.K.*	
427	Patel, M.R.		LIVI		Govil, B.K.		LM M	628 629	Singh, Y.P. Dungrakoti, B.D.*		M	728 729	Nath, S.K.* Mathur, S.C.*	
428	Suthar, K.A.		LM		Guha, S.K.	Pune	M	629 630	Wadhwani, G.T.*		LM	730	Jaitley G.N.	Lucknow
A 430	Patel, B.C.		LM	530	Patel, H.J.		M	631	Patel, G.D.*		М	731	Upadhyay, B.M.*	
431	Khatri, M.P.		LM	531	Negi, R.S.	Chandigarh	М	632	Gokhale, K.V.G.K.*		М	732	Kumar, S.K.*	
432	Saiyad, A.M.		LM		Khorana, T.R.		М	633	Soni, S.K.*		LM	733	Mangla, Bhoj Prakash	Ghaziab
433	Patel, B.R.		LM		Yadav, S.K.		LM	634	Rau, A.N.		IM	734	KIRI, S.E.*	
434	Shridhaxani, A.		LM		Dawar, Y.N. Khorana, P.K	Faridabad	LM	635	Iyengar, M.V.S.	Bangalore	M	735	Surya, V.J.*	
435 436	Shuka, D.C. Singh, L.P.		LM M	535 536	Khorana, R.K. Yupandran, R.*	Faridabad	M	636	Chakraborty, K.N.*		LM LM	736 737	Agarwal, Padam, P. Srivastava, K.I.	lodk-
436 437	Singh, L.P. Singh, K.M.		LM	530 537	Kumar, S.V.	Lucknow	M M	637 638	Chada, B.K.* Goela, R.K.*		LM	737	Srivastava, K.L. Singh, K.P.	Jodhpur
438	Mathur, N.K.		M	538	Singh, R.B.*	Edulation	M	638	Narain, K.*		M	739	Rai, Awadh Bihari*	
439	Sharma, R.K.		LM	539	Sampath, P.	Bhopal	M	640	Tiwari, K.C.*		LM	740	Hayat, Abdul	Patna
440	Singh, G.S.		LM	540	Chandra, M.S.	Mysore	M	641	Gupta, B.K.*		IM	741	GSI, C.R.*	
A 441	Jambusaria, Dr. B.B.	Vadodara	М	541	Dixit, J.P.*		М	642	Gupta, M.L.*		LM	742	Goyal, D.P.	Ghaziab
1 442	Patel, Nalin, H.		LM		Jain, B.R.	Ghaziabad	М	643	Mehta, P.*		М	743	Rayal, Y.B.*	
A 443 444	Patel, P.M.	Vadodara	LM		Jahangirdar, M.L.	Ganeshgudi	LM	644	Chalapathi Rao, R.V.	Hyderabad	LM	744	Agarwal, R.C.	
444 445	Virmani, R.G. Shah, M.R.		LM LM		Sanwal, R.K. Srivastava, V.K.	Lucknow Dhanbad	М	645	Debnath, B.*		LM M	745 746	Kadkade, D.G.	New Del
445 A 446	Patel, D.N.	Vadodara	M	545	Lakshmikanthan, C.B.*	Dilandad	M	646	Upadhyay, R.K.*		M	746	Das, Arun* Hussain, Altaf*	
л 447 Л 447	Shirke, Dr. J.M.**	Vadodara	M	547	Poddar, A.K.*		LM LM	647 648	Panda, P.K. Barman, G.		LM	748	Prakash, Gyan	Aligarh
448	Bhavsar, S.V.*		LM		Shah, K.B.	Bhopal	LM	649	Rai, S.M.		M	749	Gupta, Shrikrishna*	
vl 449	Srivastava, V.N.**		LM	549	Gupta, B.N.	Hardoi	M	650	Madhav, Rao, M.R.*		LM	750	Mishra, V.N.	
450	Patel, P.H.*		М	550	Gupta, R.L.*		М	651	Srivastava, V.C.*		LM	751	Keshavayya, P.	
451	Desai, A.K.K.*		LM	551	Sinha, Purnendu	Lucknow	М	652	Prabhakar, Rao, P.*		LM	752	Kumar, Harsh	
452	VACANT		LM	552	Papalal, S.		М	653	Majumdar, S.K.*		М	753	Sinha, Amalendu*	
453 454	Sangamnerkar, C.D.R.	Vadodara	M M	553 554	Tiwari, R.P.* Veerbhadrappa, S.M.		М	654	Shukla, R.*		IM	754	Geologist(I) Narmada^	
1 454 455	Mody, D.C.* VACANT		M	555	Selvan, T.A.*		M M	655 656	Srivastava, A.K.*		LM LM	755 756	Tahilyani D.R.A. Singh, Ranivr	Lucknow
456 M 456	Vartak, R.G.		M	556	Joshi, A.*		M	657	Mishra, S.P.* Badri, Narain, S.*		LM	757	Arora, P.K.	
457	Khan, M.G.*		м	557	Rama Rao, A.P.*		M	658	Sharma, R.P.*		LM	758	Sharma, V.K.	Lucknow
VI 458	Sharma, D.P.		LM	558	Solanki, J.C.**		M	659	Rao, G.R.M.*		М	759	Sinha, Aalok Kumar*	
459	Singh, Bagh*		М	559	Godre, R.K.*		LM	660	Agarwal, N.K.	Lucknow	LM	760	Siddique, Dr. M.A.	
460	Singh, Prakash*		M	560	Dass, A.*		М	661	Hazaria, P.C. **		М	761	Nagania Arshad, Zamil*	
461	Srivastava, A.K.*		M	561	Agarwal, R.C.*		М	662	Hunday, A.^			7/0	Saud	
462 463	Mittal, V.K.* Chhabra, S.K.*		LM	562 563	Singh, R.P.* Gupta, S.K.		LM	663	Kapoor, A.K.	Lucknow	LM	762 763	Nair, Unnikrishnan* Srivastava, V.P.	Kanpur
403	Tayal, R.A.*		M	564	Basu, S.*		LM	664 445	Raju, M.	Kolkata	M	764	Thakur, B.N.*	Ranpa
465	Agarwal, K.K.*		LM		Lavania, Dr. B.V.K.	Roorkee	M M	665 666	Barua, A.K.* Balachandran, V.*		M	765	Khirod, Parida,*	
466	Gupta, R.G.*		LM	566	Alam, J,M.**		M	667	Venktesh, V.*		М	766	Kukreja, R.K.*	
vi 467	Gupta, V.K.		LM	567	Ramaswamy, R.		M	668	Karimuddin, M.*		LM	767	Srivastava, L.P.	Patna
VI 468	Yadav, V.K.		LM	568	Singh, Narendra		LM	669	Srivastava, Dinkar	Lucknow	М	768	Prasad, Buniyad*	
469	Sharma, S.K.*		LM	569	Dhawan, A.K.	New Delhi	М	670	Dua, K.J.S.*		M	769	Much, U.S.*	
470	Bansal. L.R.*		LM LM	570	Mathur, R.S. Joshi, A.B.**		LM	671	Garg, R.L.		M LM	770 771	Mehta, S.V.* Samsuddin, Dr. A.K.	Sindri
471 vi 472	Nim, H.K.* Nanda, M.M.		M	571 572	Chakravarty, A.*		M	672	Mukhopadhyay, S.K.*		M	772	Singh, B.P.*	JIIUIT
472	Saxena, G.C.*		M	573	Singhal, H.S.S.*		M M	673 674	Singh, J.* Ramamurthy, S.*		M	773	Goel, A.K.*	
473 VI 474	Sharma, K.L.		M	574	Gupta, Dr. M.V.*		LM	675	Srivastava, S.C.	Lucknow	LM	774	Sood, N.K.	Gurgaon
475	Singhal, Om Kumar*		LM	575	Agarwal, P.N.	Roorkee	M	676	Srivastava, M.C.*		LM	775	Nunjundappa, G.	Kadra
476	Gupta, R.K.*		М	576	Kanungo, S.C.*		М	677	Chandok, G.J.*		М	776	Roy, Chandradip*	
477	Singh, Raghubir*		LM	577	Agarwal P.P.	Lucknow	М	678	Rajal, B.*		LM	777	Agarwal, L. Narayan	K.
VI 478	Kumar, Manindra Nath		LM M	578 579	Deshpandi, G.R. Goyal, B.B.L.*		M	679	Arur, M.*		LM LM	778 779	Chatterjee, Tustibrata Sharma, R.P.S.	Kolkata Muzzafa
479 480	Subhash* Saxena, S.M.*		M	579 580	Goyal, B.B.L.^ Banerjee, O.*		M	680	Subramanian, C.S.*		M	780	Flora, G.S.*	wuzzafa
480	Goyal, T.K.*		M	581	Mallik, D.K.*		M M	681 682	Bhargava, D.N.* Tiagi, S.S.*		IM	781	Supdt. Engineer Pat.*	
482	Garg, D.S.*		LM	582	Jain, A.K.	Dehradun	LM	683	Puri, S.N.	Hyderabad	M	782	Charyalu, M.B.V.*	
483	Shah, A.G.*		LM	583	Singh, B.K.		LM	684	Awasthy, S.C.	,	М	783	Aziz, Anwar*	
484	Sharma, B.K.*		LM	584	Manhas G.S.	Lucknow	M	685	Verma, K.K.*		М	784	Pant, V.K.	_
485	Sharma, K.P.*		LM	585	Murthy, Y.K.	New Delhi	М	686	Mehta, H.S.**		LM	785	Rawat, U.S.	Dehradu
486	Narayan, K.S.*		LM		Sahay, B.K.		М	687	Murthym G.S.S.N.*		M	786	Sachan, M.*	
487	Gupta, V.K.*		LM		Chowdhuri, A.K.	Kolkata	LM	688	Natrajan, T.K.	Chennai	M	787 799	Sharma, R.K.*	
488 A 489	Sinha, B.P.* Nagyan, V.K	Faridabad	LM LM		Roychodhary, J. Jain, P.K.	Kolkata	M	689	Pangtey, T.S. *	Enizabed	M M	788 789	Sharma, M.S.* Singh, Kaplan*	
489 490	Nagyan, V.K. Sadashivan, M.C.*	i aliuadad	LIVI		Sharma, Brijendra K.	New Delhi	LM	690 691	Saran, R.B.	Faizabad	LM	789	Suhane, H.S.	Jabalpu
490 491	Hussain, R.*		IM	591	CWC*		LM M	691 692	Ghildyial, S.K. Prasad, L.M.*	Dehradun	LM	791	Sharma, U.C.	Bhopal
491 A 492	Kumar, Sushil	Lucknow	M	592	Srivastava, S.P.*		M	692 693	Jyyar, D.S.N.*		M	792	Banerjee, Amit	
493	Agarwal, S.L.*		LM	593	Ulbhaje, Dr. A.V.	Varanasi	M	693 694	Dhawan, H.K.*		LM	793	Arora, N.D.	Faridaba
494	Sharma, C.P.*		М	594	Misra, S.*		LM	695	Kumar, P		М	794	Jain, Subhash Chand	
495	Patel, J.H.*		М	595	Bathula, Anjaiah*		M	696	Ramaswamy, S.K.*		LM	795	Mallick, H.K.	
Л 496	Srivastava S.K.	Lucknow	М	596	Jain. V.K.*		M	697	Ahmed, M.*		LM	796	Sharma, Purshottam Das	s
497	Aggarwa;, V.P.*		LM	597	Singh R.I.		м	698	Chandrasekhar, H.*		LM	797	Singh, Virendra Pal	
/ 498	Mallik, S.K. **		М	598	Gupta, J.P.		М	699	Parthsarthy, T.N.*		LM	798	Chandra, Sukhmal	N -
	Rainai O M	New Delhi	Μ	599	Agarwal, R.K.*		М	700	Verma, N.K.R.*		LM LM	799 800	Jain, Arun Chourasia, Dr. L.P.	New Del
∧ 499 ∧ 500	Bajpai O.N. Srivastava, N.K.		LM	600	Singh, S.K.									

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Memb No	ership	Name	Station	Mer No	mbership	Name	Station		nbership	Name	Station		nbership	Name	Station
LM 8	01	Guha, Kallol	Kolkata	LM	901	Jagannathan, V.		No M	1001	Kansara, J.P.		No I M	1102	Raval, C.J.	Panchmahal
	02	Dhar, Gautam**		LM	902	Sarkar, Shekhar	Pune	М	1002	Dave, N.B.*			1102	Pandit, Smt. S.R.	Ahmedabad
	03	Biswas, S.R.**		LM	903	Tyagi, Vinod Kumar	Meerut	м	1003	Dandiwala, M.C.*			1104	Kar, S.K.	Lucknow
	04 05	Shandilya, A.K.* Baruah, S.		M M	904 905	Mahmood, Gauhar** Joshi, Y.C.**		M M	1004 1005	Patel, R.H.* Patel, B.B.*			1105	Kumar, Naresh	Sunder Nagar
	06	Das, N.C.		LM	906	Sinha, Suresh Chandra		M	1005	Patel, T.J.*			1106 1107	Srivastava Dr. A.K. Surendranath, V.	
LM 8	07	Baruah, S.A.R. Haque		М	907	Suri, Rajiv Kumar*		м	1007	Gandhi, J.M.*			1108	Kaul, Surender	
LM 8		Singh, L. Angau	Imphal (Manipur)	LM	908	Patel, G.P.	Gandhi Nagar	м	1008	Patel, D.P.*			1109	Sharma, Brig B. D.	
LM 8 LM 8	09 10	Barma, Chintamani Gogoi, H.P.	Guwahati	LM LM	909 910	Katti, G.B. Subramanyan, Dr. V.	Thane (West)	M LM	1009 1010	Patel, M.H.*	Papagaloro		1110	Unial, K.C.	Tehri
LM 8		Bansal, L.K.	Rishikesh	LM	911	Murthy, B.S.N.	Bangalore		1010	Mahalingachari, A.C. Sengupta, Pradeep	Bangalore Kolkata		1111 1112	Jindal, Harsh Kumar Mathur, N.K.	New Delhi
LM 8		Nageswaran, B.		LM	912	Misra, Sarvesh	Faridabad		1012	Basak, Badri Narayan	Kolkata		1112	Gupta, Pradeep Kumar	Faridabad
LM 8		Das, Swapan Kumar		LM	913	Manikanda, Mahesh Babu	Hyderabad	М	1013				1114	Virmani, R.G.	Faridabad
LM 8		Raju, K.B.	Kolkata	LM	914	Reddy, K.K.	Lindersheed		1014	Kandpal, G.C.	Lucknow		1115	Sayeed, Imran	Faridabad
LM 8 LM 8		Sood, A.K. Chadha, A.K.	Gurgaon Simla	LM LM	915 916	Harendranath, L. Chakradhar, Mariserla	Hyderabad Hyderabad		1015 1016	Gopalkrishanan, M. Mukhopadhyay, S.C.	New Delhi Kolkata		1116 1117	Pant, Sanjay	Constal
LM 8		Verma, R.P.	Sarabai, Bhuntar	LM	917	Bolisetti, Satyanarayana	Hyderabad		1018	Detir, U.D.	Vadodara		1117	Joshi, K.C. Sanwal, Rajendra	Gangtok Lucknow
LM 8	18	Sharma, K.S.	Ghaziabad	LM	918	Hashimi, S.	<b>J</b> · · · · · ·		1018	Dhurundhar, A. P.	Nagpur		1119	Gairola, B.M.	Dehradun
	19	Chauhan, V.P.S.**		LM	919	Ravindranath, K.	Secunderabad	LM	1019	Sharma, H.K.	New Delhi		1120	Rana, Chandra Singh	Rishikesh
	20 21	Sharma, J.K.* Keira, Dr. H.*		M M	920 921	Raman, M.S.* Kanse, A.B.*		LM	1020	Joshi, Sudhir Yeshwant	Num Dalla		1121	Kumar, Bhuvnesh	Noida
	22	Boni, O.N.		M	921 922	Vyas, A.B.*		LM LM	1021 1022	Chaddha, Dr. D.K. Thatte, C.D.	New Delhi Pune		1122 1123	Patil, S.N. Nemade, P.D.	Jalgaon
	23	Walvekar, Ashok S.	Faridabad	M	923	Dave, P.M.*		LM	1023	Soni, Arvind Keshavlal	Vadodara		1123	Prabhakar, Gote Atul	
	24	Patel, C.K.*		м	924	Shaikh, J.J.*		М	1024	Shaikh, M.A.*			1125	Kannan, S.	Bangalore
	25	Shah, I.N.*		LM	925	Srivastava, A.K.		М	1025	Shaikh, G.G.*			1126	Kakoty, I.S.	
	26 27	Upadhyay, R.K.* Patel, R.M.*		LM LM	926 927	Mehta, M.V. Sahu, C.P.	Rajkot Jabalpur	M	1026	Vyas, H.J.*			1127	Kumar, S.	New Delhi
	28	Lal, Kuver Nath	Patna	M	927	Kumar, Manoj **	Japaipui	LM LM	1027 1028	Littoria, P.K. Deekshatulu, B.L.	Hyderabad		1128 1129	Yelsetty, Sriniwasulu Pathak, S.K.	Hyderabad Indore
	29	Ali, Mashooq		LM	929	Prasad, Kasturi R.K.	Hyderabad		1020	NRSA(Lib), Hyderabad*	.,=5,0000		1129	Soni, C.K.	Indore
	30	Naik, M.F.	Vadodara	LM	930	Rao Suresh Kant Anand	-	LM	1030	Garg, Madan Murari		LM	1131	Haridas, R.	
LM 8		Kumar, Ashok	Lucknow	LM	931	Ali, Akram		LM	1031	Rastogi, Daya Nand K.		LM	1132	Gupta, M.C.	
	32 33	Prasad, Bharat Sinha, H.P.	Patna	LM LM	932 933	Gopalaunni, M. Ghosh, D.K.	Kolkata	M	1032	Goel, Virendra Kumar*	Vadodara		1133	Srivastava S.S.	Lucknow
	33 34	Dasgupta, A.*		LM	933 934	Gnosh, D.K. Chatterjee, Kamlesh	Kolkata Kolkata	LM LM	1033 1034	Shah, L. Mohanlal Dudeja, Dinesh Kumar	Vadodara		1134 1135	M/s Gemat, New Delhi* Singh, R.K.	Lucknow
	35	Gupta, P.K.**		LM	935	Chetty, G.L. Nagraja		IM	1035	Director, AMD, Hybd*			1135	Mohan, Aditya	LUCKIOW
LM 8	36	Rai, Anil	Faridabad	LM	936	Satish Kumar, H.B.		LM	1036	Upadhyay, R.K.		LM	1137	Tiwari, R.P.	Aizwal
	37	Tripathi, D.C.*		LM	937	Rao Mullapudi Venkat		LM	1037	Rao Ande Ganeshwara			1138	Shanker, Ravi	Lucknow
	38 39	Rahut, A.K.* Sayeed, Imran*		LM LM	938 939	Reddy, V. Venkata Subba Rajuddin, S.M.		LM LM	1038 1039	Patel, M.M. Sudhalkar, A.M.	Vadodara		1139 1140	Muthu, R. Pitchai	Karur Naur Dalki
	40	Prabhakaran, B.*		LM	940	Dave, Chandresh, G.		M	1039	Sumar, N.M.*			1140	Mehta, O.P. Tripathi Kripa Shanker M.	New Delhi Lucknow
LM 8	41	Varshney, Dr.R.S.	Ghaziabad	LM	941	Murti, Ramdenu Srinivas		м	1041	Purohit, A.B.*			1142	Bid, Nripendra Chandra	Nagpur
	42	Singhal, J.B.*	Jabalpur	LM	942	Chebbi, S.M.		IM	1042	GSI, NER, Shillong*		LM	1143	Prasad, G.M.	Rishikesh
	43 44	Gupta, Raju*		LM	943	Jagannath, Jetty	Hyderabad	LM	1043	Chatterjee, Amresh	Jaipur		1144	Singh, Shailendra	Rishikesh
	44 45	Neelkanthan, J.* Verma, Dinesh Chandra		IM LM	944 945	Geologist(I) NMC * Mitra, Shyamal Kumar		LM M	1044 1045	Rathore, Gopal C. Patel, J.K.*	Vadodara		1145 1146	Singh, Gurcharan Joshi, Y.C.	S.A.S.Nagar Lucknow
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# WILLIAM SMITH FATHER OF ENGLISH GEOLOGY

William Smith (23 March 1769-28 August 1839) was known as the "Father of English Geology" for collating the geological history of England and Wales into a single record. William Smith, known as 'Strata Smith', was a surveyor who made connection between fossils and the layer of rocks they were in, and used this to create the first geological map of England and Wales. He became known as the 'Father of Stratigraphy' and 'Father of English Geology'. At the time his map was first published he was overlooked by the scientific community. Consequently his work was plagiarised, and it was only much later in his life he Smith received recognition for his accomplishments.

Mr. Smith was born in the village of Churchill, Oxfordshire, the son of blacksmith John Smith. His father died when he was just eight years old, and he was then raised by his uncle. He received little formal education, but from an early age took an interest in exploring and collecting fossils in his native Oxfordshire in England. At the same time, he learned geometry, surveying, and mapping; at the age of eighteen he became an assistant surveyor, learning his trade from the master surveyor Edward Webb. Surveying required him to travel all over England; in 1794 he toured the entire country, and then he began to supervise the digging of the Somerset Canal in southwestern England, a job that lasted six years. The job of surveying canal routes required detailed knowledge of the rocks through which the canal was to be dug. This led him to examine the local rocks very carefully. While doing this, he observed that the fossils found in a section of sedimentary rock were always in a certain order from the bottom to the top of the section.

Mr. Smith worked at one of the estate's older mines, the Mearns Pit at High Littleton, part of the Somerset coalfield and the Somerset Coal Canal. As he observed the rock layers at the pit, he realised that they were arranged in a predictable pattern and that the various strata could always be found in the same relative positions. Additionally, each particular stratum could be identified by the fossils it contained, and the same succession of fossil groups from older to younger rocks could be found in many parts of England. Furthermore, he noticed an easterly dip of the beds of rock-small near the surface (about three degrees), then bigger after the Triassic rocks. This gave him a testable hypothesis, which he termed The Principle of Faunal Succession, and he began his search to determine if the relationships between the strata and their characteristics were consistent throughout the country. He was continually taking samples and mapping locations of various strata, and displaying vertical extent of strata, and drawing cross-sections and tables of what he saw. This would earn him the name "Strata Smith".

As a natural consequence, Smith amassed a large and valuable collection of fossils of strata he had examined himself from exposures in canals, road and railway cuttings, quarries and escarpments across the country. He also developed methods for identification of deposits of Fuller's earth to the south of Bath. Today, it is accepted that looking at fossils is the most accurate way of comparing sedimentary rocks and answering questions of geological time. In his practical, matter-of-fact way, William Smith had shown the way to read history of the Earth.

In 1799 Smith produced the first large scale geologic map of the area around Bath, Somerset. Previously, he only knew how to draw the *vertical* extent of the rocks, but not how to display them *horizontally*. However, in the Somerset *County Agricultural Society*, he found a map showing the types of soils and vegetation around Bath and their geographical extent. Importantly, the differing types were coloured. Using this technique, he could draw a geological map from his observations showing the outcrops of the rocks. He took a few rock types, each with its own colour. Then he estimated the

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William Smith (1769-1839)





In 1815 William Smith published the first edition of his Geological Map of England and Wales. Smith's map made a seminal contribution to the understanding of the ground beneath our feet and by showing the location of coal, iron ore, clays and other raw materials quite literally fuelled the industrial revolution.

The Geological Society of London which is the oldest Geological Society in the World has displayed a copy of William Smith's Geological Map that has been described in Simon Winchester's book as *"The Map that Changed the World"*. It has been re-stored and re-framed by the Society. The map now hang at the foot of the east staircase of the Society apartment, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, U.K.

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#### WILLIAM SMITH

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boundaries of each of the outcrops of rock, filled them in with colour and ended up with a crude geological map. Mr. Smith was not the first to make geologic maps, but he was the first to use fossils as a tool for mapping rocks by their stratigraphic order, and not necessarily by their composition. Previous mapmakers had attempted to use the composition of rocks as indicators of their position in the stratigraphic column.

In 1801, he drew a rough sketch of what would become "The Map that Changed the World". This map was not the first work of this kind. In 1815 he published the first geological map of Britain. It covered the whole of England and Wales, and parts of Scotland. While this was not the world's first geological map, (William Maclures map of the United States predates by six years) Smith's map was the first geologic map covering such a large area ever published. Conventional symbols were used to mark canals, tunnels, tramways and roads, collieries, lead, copper and tin mines, together with salt and alum works. The various geological types were indicated by different colours; the maps were hand coloured. The map was on a scale of five miles to an inch and consisted of 15 sheets. Published by the mapmaker John Cary to Smith's topographic specifications, it was meticulously hand coloured using 20 tints to represent the different strata, and shading to represent depth. The map was a work of art as well as a scientific innovation. Approximately 400 copies were issued and many (although not all) bear a number and are signed by William Smith himself. The map was offered in six different forms and cost from five guineas to twelve pounds. The modern geological map of Britain is based on Smith's original work, his map being displayed at the Geological Society in London. Nevertheless, the map is remarkably similar to modern geological maps of England. He also published his Delineation of the Strata of England in the same year. In another of his books Strata Identified by Organized Fossils (London 1816-1819) he recognized that strata contained distinct fossil assemblages which could be used to match rocks across regions. In 1817 he drew a remarkable geological section from Snowdon to London. Unfortunately, his maps were soon plagiarised and sold for prices lower than he was asking. He went into debt and finally became bankrupt.

On 31 August 1819 he was released from King's Bench Prison in London, a debtor's prison. He returned to his home at 15 Buckingham Street to find his home and property seized. Mr. Smith then worked as an itinerant surveyor for many years until one of his employers, Sir John Johnstone, recognized him and took steps to gain for him the respect he deserved.

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using cement cartridges in the free length is not advisable and should be discouraged. After the tensioned rock bolts are installed and anchored, the tensioning is done. Instantly the bolts start acting and secure the rock mass. However, grouting of free length can be done subsequently after a time lag for which a maximum limit is specified. However, if resin and cement cartridges are used together the tensioning process becomes difficult. Hydration reactions start soon after mixing with water giving rise to stiffening just after ten minutes. When resin and cement cartridges are used together, it has to be ensured that resin has set fully before tensioning but cement has not set. Alternatively there are procedures of fast and slow setting resin cartridges being used in tandem. In such a situation highest quality control standards are necessary to ensure proper timing of tensioning.



Geological map of England and Wales created by William Smith

Between 1824 and 1826 he lived and worked in Scarborough, and was responsible for the building of the Rotunda, a geological museum devoted to the Yorkshire coast. The Rotunda was re-opened as 'Rotunda – The William Smith Museum of Geology', on 9 May 2008 by Lord Oxburgh.

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Alternatively, if conventional grouting by cement is done for the free length, some beneficial objectives can be achieved which are as follows:

- (i) Sufficient time is available to do the tensioning of rock bolts after which cement grouting through the tube (see figure 1) can be completed.
- (ii) Grouting by pumped cement mix ensures that the adjacent fractures which have opened due to blasting are filled which is a very significant gain in jointed or disturbed rock mass or cases of poor blasting.

Both the factors are very relevant to the typical site conditions and more useful when blasting damages are significant but not easily discernible or visible to naked eye.

### RESERVOIR RIM TREATMENT AT TEESTA-III HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT, SIKKIM

The Teesta III HE project (1200MW) is located in the Himalayan State of Sikkim and is part of six stage cascade development of Teesta Basin. The project is under active construction and is slated for commissioning by March 2016. The reservoir and its surrounding areas in this fragile Himalayan geologic formations is susceptible to occurrences like bench settlements slides, slips, damage to settlement etc. especially during operation of reservoir. Reservoir Rim Treatment was evolved by supplementing the conventional geo-synthetic techniques. This paper highlights the rim treatment measures and gives details on the application of geo-synthetics in the form of nets, mats, blankets, meshes and mechanically stabilized reinforced gabion walls for long term slope stabilization measures.

#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Teesta – III HE project is a run of the river scheme located in Chungthang village 400m downstream of the confluence of Lachen chu and Lachung chu, the two limbs of Teesta river. The project comprises of 60m high Concrete Face Rock fill Dam (CFRD), about 14.2km long and 7.5m diameter head race tunnel, 160m deep 13m dia surge shaft, two steel lined pressure shafts of 4.0m diameter feeding six units of pelton turbines 200MW each housed in an underground Power House to generate 5228MU of energy in a 90% dependable year. The construction of dam near Chungthang village will result in a creation of reservoir of gross capacity of 5Mcum and is expected to extend 1.15km along Lachung chu and 1km upstream along Lachen chu from the confluence. The Chungthang village situated between Lachen chu and Lachung chu upstream of the confluence is inhabited by more than 1100 people along with Army camp and workshop area at left bank of Lachen and ITBP camp and local administration establishment on the right bank of Lachung chu. The reservoir rim was critically reviewed and a comprehensive rim treatment plan was evolved to ensure that the area remains trouble free during operation of the project.

#### 2.0 RESERVOIR GEOLOGY

The project area like most of the Himalayan region is prone to landslides mainly owing to immature topography, deep weathering profile, young mountains with soft rock mass and further accentuated by relatively high rainfall of more than 3000mm in Teesta project area. Generally, the reservoir area is lined on both the banks by stable slopes comprising intact and competent rock exposures constituted by quartzites interbedded with gneisses of the Chungthang Series. However, there are stretches wherein the upper part of the reservoir area is covered with thick unconsolidated slope wash material as the top thick riverine terrace deposits. The left bank of Lachen and right bank of Lachung chu are lined by riverine terraces which are partially consolidated, and these in turn are over lain by colluvial debris formed by gravity transport. The upper area matching the reservoir fluctuation level i.e. between FRL and MDDL are geologically unstable due to partially unconsolidated river borne material on the slope. During operation of the reservoir the zone especially above EL 1665m (MDDL) may get destabilized and may initiate slides.

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Photograph 1 : Concrete Face Rock Fill Dam-U/S View

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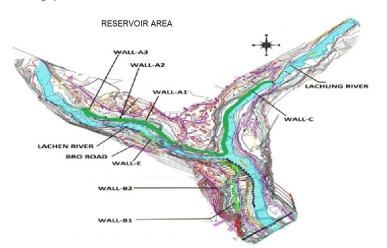


Figure 1 : Reservoir Area

#### **3.0 RESERVOIR RIM TREATMENT**

The formulation of reservoir rim treatment method involves engineering, geology, soil mechanics and above all cost considerations vis-à-vis the particular site and in most cases the past failures and success rates experienced at other projects has a bearing on the final solution. The main objective of the rim treatment has been to arrest soil erosion and prevent landslides and to ensure that adjacent structures are safe. Therefore this treatment was planned to account for prevention of loose soil mass due to water erosion, allowing passage of water without uncontrolled passage of soil particles and at the same time have a retaining wall which can resist earth pressure and prevent deformation in hill slope mass. The percolation of water and heavy surface flows make the slopes slide- prone leading to formation of wedges or slip circles which tend to separate the overlying soil from the main body of the earth mass/ rocks. After a detailed discussion with Engineers & project Consultants, M/s Maccaferri design was found suitable for long term measure. The retaining structures constructed with gabions and geogrids are relatively flexible structures and are comparatively economical, faster to construct and get better with environment and surroundings. Geogrids laid in horizontal layers provide reinforcement to the slopes by intercepting potential failure surfaces and also provide horizontal anchorage to the sliding mass. The high tensile strength provided by the geogrids make them ideal reinforcing material resistant to even very tough environmental conditions.



#### 4.0 MATERIAL SELECTION

The Rim treatment work has been planned and designed in consultation with M/s Maccaferri Environmental Solutions Pvt. Ltd. using geo-membrane and geo-fabric materials. The specialized materials used in Rim treatment are:

#### 4.1 TERRAMESH SYSTEM AND GABION BASKETS

The terramesh is used for soil reinforcement in mechanically stabilized gabion walls and slopes. It is a fabricated soft tensile, heavily galvanized and PVC coated double twisted steel wire mesh. The steel wire used for manufacturing gabions is heavily zinc coated soft temper steel. A PVC coating with nominal thickness of 0.50mm is applied to provide added protection for use in polluted environments where soil or water is acidic or to take care of risk of corrosion.

#### **4.2 PARALINK**

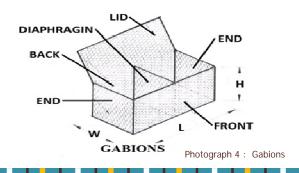
It is a high strength geo-composite and is primarily used on structure that require very high strength reinforcement like basal reinforcement over piles or soft soil. It is being used in combination with other Maccaferri products like Terramesh and Terrawall to form hybrid structures. Paralink geogrids are planar structures consisting of monoaxial array of composite geosynthetic strips.



Photograph 2 : Terramesh (Galvanized and PVC Coated)



Photograph 3 : Paralink



Each single longitudinal strip has a core of high tenacity polyester yarns tendons encased in a polyethylene sheath. The single strips are connected by nonresistant cross laid polyethylene strips which give a grid like shape to the composite. The tensile strength of single longitudinal strip is more than 36KN for Paralink 200 and 54 KN for Paralink 300.

#### 4.3 BIOMAC

It is a range of biodegradable blankets used for temporary erosion control. This roll erosion control product (RECP) act as a reinforced mulch protecting the seeds and soil from erosion. It is made from variety of biodegradable materials like Biomac-C from coconut fiber only. It is 6 mm thick with minimum mass per unit area of 270gm per sq m. Each Biomac type has a different degradation period in relation with the environment. The Biomac-C provides erosion control and high moisture retainment to facilitate vegetation and the poly propylene netting provides initial reinforcement at the early stage of vegetation establishment as well.

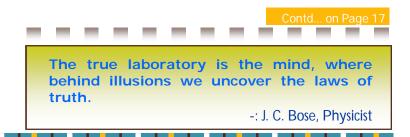


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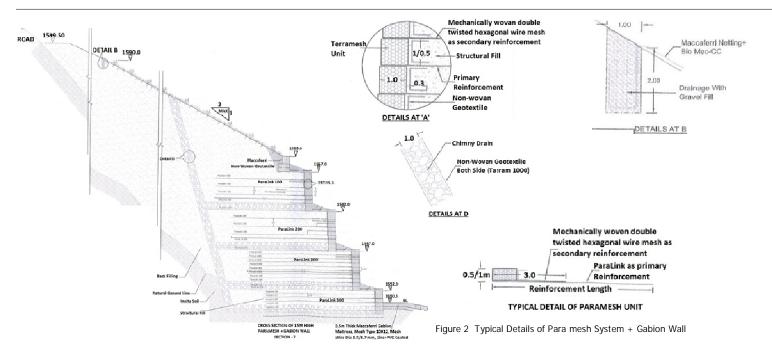
Non-woven Geotextile (Terram 1000) is provided as separator at the rear end of the Terramesh and gabion units. Terram 1000 is a permeable textile for filtering and radially draining media with a high permeability of  $100L/m^2/s$ . Its unit weight is 125gm per sqm. and having a tensile strength of 8KN/m. for each strip.

#### 5.0 SLOPE TREATMENT AT RIGHT BANK OF LACHEN CHU

The hill slope of the reservoir rim beyond the Power intake and upstream in the right bank is generally covered with the slope wash material with rolled boulder/ colluvium material on the top of the thick river terrace deposits of boulders, gravels, pebbles embedded in a semi consolidated matrix of sandy silt. The slope mass has little silt and loose rock and has a tendency to roll down. Also the area being near the power intake and flushing tunnel shall be subjected to high velocity during complete draw down condition in monsoon season during operation stage and hence it was decided to have suitably designed geo-synthetic solutions for slope treatment with Maccaferri material. The typical slope treatment design as adopted at site is furnished in figure 2.



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The retaining structure was constructed with 2m x 1m x 0.5m size gabions with Paralink of varying length and size as primary reinforcement. The Paralinks 100/200/300 are strip bonded geogrids with polyester core with thickness of reinforcement strip as 1.4mm & 1.8mm and its width being 85mm & 88mm respectively. The mechanically woven double twisted hexagonal wire mesh are provided to reinforce the gabions as secondary reinforcement. Gabions are baskets and are filled with stones at the site to form flexible, permeable and monolithic structure to act as retaining walls. These gabions are divided into cells by means of diaphragms positioned at approximately one meter centers and to reinforce the structure all mesh panel edges are selvedged with a 3.4/4.4mm diameter wire. Such gabion structures having almost 30% voids, offer free drainage and thus providing better bank protection. The U-pins 4mm diameter at a spacing of 1m c/c upto a depth of 200mm was used to nail down netting and Biomac-C C to the slope. After construction of gabion walls, the backfilling with structural fill material was done behind the gabion walls and para links as well as double twisted hexagonal wire mesh are provided as horizontal anchors. The chimney drain has been provided by way of non-woven Geotextile on both side and filled with gravel with stones varying from 100mm to 300mm laid behind the gabion structure as shown in figure 2. The backfill soil is compacted in layers and structural filling is done simultaneously. The backfill is compacted to 95% maximum dry density. The Structural fill (fill-material used for construction of Paramesh reinforced soil structure) is a free drainage granular material and shall satisfy following requirements:

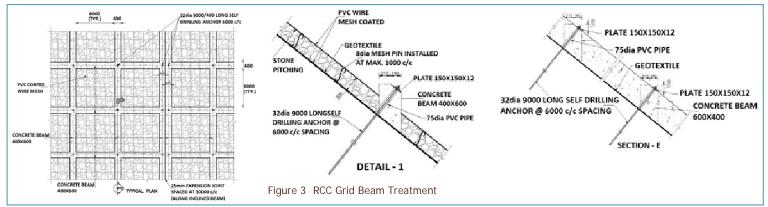
DESCRIPTION	REQUIREMENT						
Maximum Particle Size	Less than or equal to 40mm						
Above primary/secondary reinforcement							
Intermediate layers	Less than or equal to 40mm						
Percent passing 75 microns	Less than or equal to 10%						
Coefficient of uniformity	Greater than 2						
Plasticity Index	Less than 6%						
Angle of Internal friction	Greater than or equal to 32°						

The Terram 1000, a thermally bonded, non-woven with a composition of 70% polypropylene and 30% polyethylene was found suitable because of its high strength, high separation and high reinforcement properties. It has a permeability of 10x10-2 m/sec with a pore size of 150µmThe Maccaferri DT 10x12 mesh type with netting 2.7mm/3.7mm, duly galvanized and PVC coated was laid over the fill slope together with Biomac-C as surface protection and to enhance vegetation.



Photograph 6 & 7 : Lachen chu Right Bank Maccaferri Treatment

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#### 6.0 SLOPE TREATMENT OF LACHUNG RIGHT BANK

The confluence points of Lachen and Lachung river area and the right bank of Lachung is generally covered with slope wash material with rolled boulder / colluviums material up to EL- 1580m. The area between EL- 1580 m to 1590m and above is again a slope wash material dotted with boulders with slope getting vertical to sub vertical which makes this zone vulnerable to slides. Since the terrace at this area is inhabited by ITBP camps & offices of local administration, and thus hardly a land available for easing of slope, the slope treatment by way of RCC grid beams with stone filling and duly anchored with 9m long 32mm diameter self-drilling bolts were as furnished in figure 3.

The 600X600 RCC beam has been provided over the slope surface in a grid of 6mx6m. The stones laid in the grid have been encased in PVC coated wire mesh to ensure that the stones are in place during the reservoir fluctuation or during reservoir flushing when velocity of flowing water could be high. The total length of about 515m is being covered through this treatment. Also this RCC grid beam treatment has been carried out for a length of 140m near the power intake area below the wall B1 as well.



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Photograph 8: RCC Grid Beam Treatment on Lachung Right bank

#### 7.0 CONCLUSION

The Environment friendly M/s Maccaferri design for Rim Treatment has been a unique feature in Teesta-III project. The application and use of geo-synthetics woven or non-woven, Paralink and other Maccaferri materials has been quite innovative and a big step in the course of sustainable project management and shall act as a benchmark for the hydropower construction industry. The successful implementation of such works depend largely on the correct laying procedure of materials and therefore it is essential that supervising engineers and work supervisors understand the basic mechanism and functionability as well as efficacy of the complete arrangement. The successful implementation is key to success of such new techniques

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#### 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015 NEPAL EARTHQUAKE: SOME SCIENTIFIC FACTS

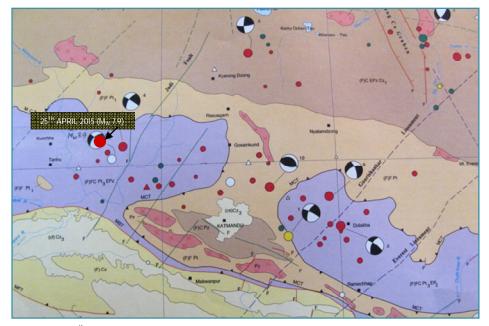


Figure 1: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015 Nepal (Gorkha) Earthquake of Mw 7.9 (Seismotectonic Base: SEISAT, 2000)

Earthquake, a phenomenon occurring a thousand times a day somewhere or the other in the world, as powerful as the cumulative energy of thousands or more of nuclear devices exploding together, as unpredictable as the strike of a ruthless terrorist group, and repeating itself nauseatingly in different measures since time immemorial, though of great concern for the safety of the society, is understood only in patches and pieces. A hundred or so years ago, it was generally believed that earthquakes were free to happen anywhere and everywhere, regardless of any principles as far as their distribution in time, space and size were concerned. However, with advancement in our geological knowledge and more and more instrumental data getting available, it has been established that this abstract menace is an integral part of the earth's evolutionary process and obeys the laws of nature rather faithfully. The Indian subcontinent, responsible for some 5% of the global seismicity, has been a seat of several destructive earthquakes and the April 2015 Nepal event, christened by some as "Gorkha Earthquake", has become one among them.

The 25<sup>th</sup> April earthquake recorded a moment magnitude of 7.9 and occurred within a, so called, 700 km long seismic gap between the epicenters of 1905 and 1934 Great earthquakes of the Himalayan mobile belt, 77 km northwest of Kathmandu in Gorkha District. In fact, several researchers, including Prof. Roger Bilham, had made a prediction that a large earthquake was due in this region on the basis of strain budgeting. This earthquake, occurring around the surface trace of the Main Central Thrust (MCT) at a depth of 15 km shows a purely thrust type mechanism where the nodal planes strike WNW-ESE and one of the planes dips @ 10° towards north (Figure 1). This is much like most of the larger Himalayan earthquakes that have been found originating along a detachment surface. During 1975 and 1978, two earthquakes of magnitude +5 have been recorded around the same area.

The USGS site shows the peak accelerations in the epicentral zone as of the order of more than 0.4g where the seismic intensity could be X on the MSK scale. The peak spectral acceleration corresponding to 1 second period (resonance frequency of taller structures), has been shown as 0.1g near Gorakhpur and Muzaffarpur, nearly same as that at Kathmandu. However, the Kathmandu valley has repeatedly been subjected to heavy damage by earthquakes and in this regard the events of 1255, 1408, 1810, 1833, 1934 and the 2015 are significant. The reasons behind these accentuated damages are both geological and anthropogenic in nature, thriving in a high seismic hazard domain. The valley is composed of a thick pile of unconsolidated deposits of lacustrine and fluvial origins where certain frequency components of seismic waves

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tend to get amplified and reverberate for a longer duration, and so induce stronger shaking. On top of it, the building typology and town layout are such that the vulnerability has increased manifold.

The geo-seismological studies of this megaseismic event are yet to be initiated in the higher intensity zones where the human fatalities are reported to be around 10,000 with damage to nearly 5,00,000 housing units. The casualty figures have been less mainly because the main shock occurred at 11.41AM when most of the people were outside their dwellings. The co-seismic landslide and avalanche activity has been profuse and is yet to be mapped and assessed. We have, so far, not come across any report of ground rupture or tectonic deformation manifested on the surface. The pattern of aftershocks suggests that the rupture has propagated towards southeast direction with respect to the epicenter.

In certain sections of the Press it has been propounded that the worse, that is a still higher magnitude earthquake, is still to come in this area. I denounce such statements with all conviction. The large magnitude earthquakes are not daily affairs. It takes centuries for rocks to get strained to a level where it can give rise to an earthquake of this proportion on rupture of the locked fault surface. So, in this segment of the Himalaya, which could be of a length of 300 km or so, the activity will keep on tapering till it attains the ambient seismic level and the seismotectonic unit once again enters into the pre-seismic phase of strain accumulation from the post seismic phase, i.e. of the aftershocks . It is most natural for a magnitude 7.9 earthquake to give rise to prolific aftershock activity, which could last for a year or more. In the initial days following the main shock, the number of aftershocks could run into hundreds and quite a few could be of +6 and many of around 5 in magnitude.

Lately, we have started thinking in terms of scenario earthquakes. That is to say what would happen to the high population density habitations situated in the Indo-Gangetic plains in case of a Great Himalayan earthquake? The April 2015 Nepal earthquake, to our great relief, has unequivocally demonstrated that the seismic intensities would be attenuated substantially while travelling a distance of around 300 km and would get bereft of any such energy that could cause significant damage. My appeal to all, particularly those who are in positions to influence, is to understand the basics of earthquake science and help in mitigating the effects of the hazard.



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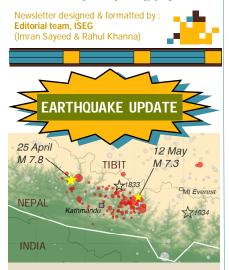
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powerful earthquake Another occurred in Nepal on 12th May, 2015. As per the USGS earthquake hazard immediately report published after the earthquake on its website www.earthquakes.usgs.gov, it has a magnitude of 7.3 with epicenter located at 18.5km depth. This earthquake occurred about 150km east of April 25th event. Up to 12th May, 2015, there have been 94 aftershocks of the Gorkha earthquake having magnitude 3 or above and three of these have occurred since the M 7.3 May 12 event, which is the largest aftershock so far. Most of the aftershocks have occurred towards south east of the main event (refer above picture from USGS).

This region of Nepal has a history of large earthquakes. The earliest known is 1833 earthquake which occurred very close to present one. Bihar–Nepal Earthquake of 1934 of 8.0 magnitude occurred southeast of present earthquake.

#### ENGINEERING GEOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF NEPAL EARTHQUAKE

IAEG has put up a report *"A Quick Report on the 2015 Gorkha (Nepal) Earthquake and its Geo-engineering Aspects"* authored by *Prof. Ömer Aydan*, University of the Ryukyus, Dept. of Civil Engng. & Architecture, Okinawa, Japan and *Prof. Resat Ulusay*, Hacettepe University, Dept. of Geological Engg., 06800 Beytepe, Ankara, Turkey.

It is interesting to note from the report that estimated magnitude of the earthquake varies from 7.7 to 7.9 depending upon the institutes. USGS assigned the moment magnitude of the 2015 Gorkha (Nepal) earthquake as 7.8. The epicenter of the earthquake is located in Gorkha district near *Barpak* village 77 Km north-west of Kathmandu. Barpak village has been completely destroyed. However, the epicenter as estimated by Harvard is very close to Kathmandu. The rupture plane it appears has travelled from Gorkha district towards east and hence the intensity maps show more damage in the eastern side from epicenter. The preliminary intensity maps on MMI scale report intensity VIII for Kathmandu while it may be IX or X near epicenter when more information from Gorkha district emerges. According to the report Kanti-Path (Kathmandu) recorded the maximum ground acceleration of 0.164g. As Kathmandu valley is full of alluvium it is also likely that the same has contributed in amplification and shaking of the valley floor. While it may be early to comment, according to USGS, the Peak Ground Acceleration (PGA) in the epicentral area was about 0.35g. However, these values are subject to further confirmation.

According to report by Prof. Aydan and Prof. Ulusay, a number of mass movements have taken place in Nepal destroying many habitations and cultivated land. Some liquefaction occurrences are also indicated from Kathmandu valley. However detailed studies are awaited in this regard. There are many damages reported to roads also. Two bridges in Kathmandu city, a simple double span reinforced concrete structure and single span truss bridge in Gorkha district have remained intact and are in fact functional.

No damage to dams in Nepal has been reported as yet although two casualties are reported at under construction *Rasuwagadhi* hydropower dam due to falling of rocks. NHPC has two projects in Sikkim *Rangit* and *Teesta V* with concrete gravity dams of 45m and 87m height respectively. No damages are reported to these structures which are about 375-390Km from the epicenter.

The damage to buildings and ancient structures in Kathmandu are well known and have been described in detail in the report by IAEG. They are available elsewhere in the media also.

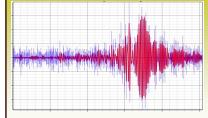
The above facts indicate that engineered structures with adequate seismic safety provisions have either suffered no or minimal damage. Detailed reports are, however, awaited from Nepal.

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Distinguishment between hazards and risks is essential. The hazard is the intrinsic natural occurrence of earthquakes and the resulting ground motion and other effects. The risk is the danger the hazard poses to life and property. Hence, although the hazard is unavoidable geologic fact, the risk is effected by human actions. Areas of high hazard can have low risks because few people live there, and areas of modest hazard can have high risk due to large population and poor construction. Earthquake risks can be reduced by human action, whereas hazard cannot.

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