

## President's Page



Dear Readers & SP Gians,

This issue of “Geohorizons” is a veritable compilation of some of the best technical papers contributed for the SPG Biennial Conference Kochi 2013. I am sure this will immensely benefit all of you, and go a long way towards enriching yourselves technically about some of the latest developments in our domain along with interesting case studies. This also happens to be the sign-off issue for the present executive body of SPG, under my Presidency, as our term draws towards its end. I take this opportunity to thank each of you, who have contributed to SPG in whatever capacity and supported us unflinchingly in all our endeavours during the last two years, making sure that this august Society of ours only grew in stature and reach.

I would like to mention a few of the highlights of SPG during this period. Undoubtedly, the pride of place in this regard goes to the humongous success of Kochi 2013, which was a testimony of a synchronous confluence of superb organizational effort, high quality technical sessions and overwhelming participation. The MOU signed between EAGE (European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers) and SPG during the Conference also saw the seeds of collaboration being sown between the two premier geo-scientific societies. The first such collaborative endeavour - a workshop on “Broad-Band Seismics”, organized at Mumbai on June 2014 was an unqualified success, with 17 absorbing technical presentations and keynote address by Director (Exploration), ONGC, on the very contemporary topic of Geophysical interest. I am sure SPG, and, in turn, its members are only going to benefit from such fruitful collaborations to disseminate knowledge and facilitate innovations and assimilation of newer technologies. We are committed to joining hands with Societies like SEG, EAGE, AAPG etc. with zeal and enthusiasm in future, whenever there is a worthwhile opportunity for synergy and mutual benefit. Perhaps, another important achievement was the successful completion of the process of amendment of the SPG Constitution a long pending issue. The same was taken up after a consensus was evolved on certain changes that were deemed necessary in consonance with the changing times. Considering the phenomenal growth of SPG over the years, the ever burgeoning membership strength and the importance of upholding the democratic ethos of the body manning its activities to ensure that there is a self-sustaining robust system in place to take the Society forward. It was a long drawn affair and a pretty involved one too, but I dare say, with everyone's cooperation, we could largely achieve, what we had set out for. And last but not the least, I would like to mention another small endeavor of ours which went towards revamping of the SPG Website, with the purpose of make your viewing and browsing experience pleasurable, smooth and productive. Features like 'Members' Interaction Forum' and 'Profile Updation' were also introduced to add value and ensure that we always remain in touch with our members. Am sure all of you will make best use of these services to draw information about our events and activities as well as interact and give your valuable feedback.

The process of elections of the Central Executive Body and various Regional Chapters are under way or nearing completion. And very shortly, I shall be handing over the baton to the next President of SPG, once he is elected. I am supremely confident that SPG will scale greater heights in the time to come and I shall be demitting the Office of the President with a sense of pride. As I look back, the last two years has been extremely satisfying for me, as I along with my colleague tried to steer the ship of SPG to the best of my ability. This surely has been an icing on the cake for me, as far as my professional career is concerned.

As the Festive Season ushers in with Navratra & Durga Puja, I convey my heartiest greetings to each one of you and your family.

Good Bye and Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Subrata Kumar Das".

**Subrata Kumar Das**