

IMPORTANT DATES

2 nd September, 2017	Last Date for Submission of Abstracts
8 th September, 2017	Notification of Acceptance of Abstracts
12 th September, 2017	Last Date for submission of full length papers
18 th & 19 th September, 2017	Seminar at University of Kashmir, Srinagar

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee may be sent in the favour of Organizing Secretary, Himalayan Biodiversity Seminar 2017, either by demand draft or by online transfer in the account number 0007040500001105, payable at J&K Bank, Hazratbal, (IFSC code JAKA0Naseem), Srinagar and mail the details of the transaction along with the dully filled registration form to the Organizing Secretaries.

CATEGORY	UPTO 9 TH SEP.	ON SPOT
Research & Academic Institutions	Rs. 2,000/-	Rs. 2,500/-
Research Scholars	Rs. 1,200/-	Rs. 1,500/-
P.G. Students (Without Kit/Lunch)	Rs. 300/-	Rs. 500/-
Accompanying Person (Without Kit/Lunch)	Rs. 1,000/-	Rs. 1,500/-

The registration fee will cover participation in the seminar proceedings including the inaugural function, plenary and technical sessions and the valedictory. Lunch and tea during these proceedings is included in the registration fee.

ACCOMODATION

The participants will be provided accommodation in the University campus/nearby hotels on first come first serve basis. Therefore, it is requested to send full accommodation booking amount with the registration fee. The accommodation charges for University guest house will be 1200/night.

CONTACT DETAILS

All communications regarding online submission of abstract / full length papers should be addressed to the organizing secretaries:

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HOW TO REACH THE VENUE?

University of Kashmir, Srinagar is about 21 km from the Srinagar International Airport. The public transport facility and the private cabs are available from the airport. Besides, Srinagar is also reachable from other states of the country via Jammu and railway services are available from Banihal to Railway station Nowgam, Budgam where from public and private transport facilities to the University of Kashmir are available upto the campus.

ROUTE MAP



National Seminar on HIMALAYAN BIODIVERSITY

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CHARACTERIZATION
AND BIOPROSPECTION
FOR SUSTAINABLE
UTILIZATION



18th & 19th September 2017



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Centre for Kashmir Himalayan Biodiversity:
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UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR, SRINAGAR

CIRCULAR AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

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INVITATION

We have the pleasure to invite you to the National Seminar on 'Himalayan Biodiversity: Characterization and Bioprospection for Sustainable Utilization' organised by the University of Kashmir from September 18th & 19th, 2017. Distinguished speakers will address contemporary concerns in thematic areas. Keynote addresses, oral and poster presentations are likely to add value to the academic discourse.

We expect a vibrant interaction between experienced academics in the field and young teachers, research scholars and students.

BACKGROUND

Biodiversity is key to socioeconomic and sustainable development of India in general and Himalaya, in particular. However, for the last 50-60 years, biological diversity has drastically been impacted and warrants urgent attention for its conservation, particularly in the region, which is a biodiversity hotspot and home to very rich and diverse terrestrial and aquatic ecosystem. The Indian Himalayan region spread over 2500 km (length) and 220-330km (width), harbours more than 10000 species of plants, 300 of mammals, 977 of birds, 176 of reptiles, 105 of amphibians and 269 freshwater fish species representing respectively, 31.6%, 4.0%, 1.5%, 27.3%, 40% and 12.3%, of flora and fauna endemic to this region. Overall, Indian Himalayan region is a habitat for many species listed in the Red Data Book.

The unique life-forms inhabiting various ecosystems and ecological niches, including rare endemics of very high medicinal and economic importance, constitute probably the single most important resource of the Himalayan State of Jammu & Kashmir. The traditional mountain communities in Kashmir Himalaya owe their sustenance and livelihoods directly to the biodiversity, be it food, fodder, fiber, firewood, timber, milk or medicines. In fact, Jammu & Kashmir is known as the Biomass State of India because its economy is essentially based on bioresources. Even other sectors of economy have large inputs from the biomass resources of the State.

The University of Kashmir has made significant contribution towards the documentation and characterization of at least some elements of North Western Himalayan biodiversity, especially that of Kashmir Himalaya. The untiring efforts by some dedicated biologists and taxonomists have yielded useful database in the form of standard books and research papers of high quality on various aspects of Himalayan biodiversity. However, there are still major gaps in the documentation and characterization of the Himalayan biodiversity, especially with respect to lower plants, microbes, extremophiles and other such groups. Moreover, studies on Himalayan biodiversity from a bioprospecting perspective are quite sparse. It is in this backdrop, the present seminar was conceived to undertake comprehensive review of studies carried on documentation, characterization, bioprospecting, and conservation of Himalayan biodiversity: plants, extremophiles, endemic animals and biological invasions and identify issues that merit urgent attraction.



THRUST AREAS

1. Biodiversity: Current status and Knowledge gaps
2. GIS, Remote Sensing
3. Bioprospection of Biodiversity and Sustainable Development
4. Threats to Biodiversity
5. Conservation of Biodiversity

THE HOST UNIVERSITY

The University of Kashmir is situated at Hazratbal in Srinagar. It is flanked by the world famous Dal Lake on its eastern side and Nigeen Lake on the western side. The Main Campus of the University spread over 247 acres of land have 3 campus as Hazratbal, Naseem Bagh and Mirza Bagh. In addition to 4 satellite campuses (Kargil, Leh, Baramullah and Anantnag) Zakura near the main campus for further expansion of the University. The tranquil ambience of the campus provides the right kind of atmosphere for serious studies and research. The University is committed to provide an intellectually stimulating environment for productive learning to enhance the educational, economic, scientific, business and cultural environment of the region. The University offers programmes in all the major faculties; Arts, Business & Management Studies, Education, Law, Applied Sciences & Technology, Biological Sciences, Physical & Material Sciences, Social Sciences, Medicine, Dentistry, Engineering, Oriental Learning and Music & Fine Arts. It has been constantly introducing innovative/ new programmes to cater to the needs and demands of the students and the society. Over the years, the University has marched towards excellence in its programmes and activities. It has been re-accredited as Grade-A University by the National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) of India in the year 2011.



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstract not exceeding 250 words A-4 size paper, Times New Roman font, letter size 12 with 1.5 lines space should be sent to Dr. Imtiaz Ahmed Khan on e-mail: khanimtiazk@gmail.com latest by 2nd September, 2017. The abstract should contain title of the paper followed by authors name, affiliation and e-mail of corresponding author.

PRESENTATIONS

Oral presentation will be of 10 minutes duration, while the size of the poster presentation shall be 75cm x 100cm. The poster should briefly include title, authors, affiliation, brief introduction, methodology, precise results and conclusion. Poster should be presented by one participant only. Presenting author should be clearly indicated in the abstract.

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