

IEEE GRSS Gujarat: 2017 activities

7. National seminar on Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity “*An approach to reach the Unreached through Science & Technology*” 29th November, 2017.

National Seminar on “Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity-III” was organized by Indian Science Congress Association (Baroda Chapter) in collaboration with Department of Botany and Department of Zoology, Faculty of Science, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Indian Society of Geomatics (Vadodara Chapter) Indian Women Scientists’ Association (Baroda Branch) on 29th November, 2017 at C.C.Mehta Auditorium, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara. Dr Ashok Saxena, Ex President of Indian Science Congress Association was the Chief Guest of Function. Dr. Vijay Laxmi Saxena (Ex. General Secretary, Chairperson, ISCA-Kanpur) was and Dr. Yogini C. Pathak (Ex General Secretary, Council Member of ISCA) were the Guest of Honor. The inaugural function was presided by Patron of the Seminar and Vice-chancellor of the Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Prof. Parimal Vyas. Introduction to the theme of the seminar was given by Prof. G.Sandhya Kiran, (Head, Department of Botany, Faculty of Science, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara, Chairperson, ISG, IWSA and ISCA (Vadodara Chapters)). The seminar received a huge response from all over the country and was attended by more than 240 participants. There were four invited lectures on different theme related to biodiversity. More than 70 different papers pertaining to 7 themes of the seminar were received in Oral sessions and Poster session. The panel discussion provided a feed back by participants. Following are some of the highlights:

1. Climate Change has not been an overnight development but it is prevalent since decades. Hence, it could not be dealt with and rectified in a day or few weeks. Researchers should focus on long term research which spans for 25-30 years.
2. Being sensitized towards the problem of biodiversity loss and the desire to conserve it does not mean taking up some facts and figures from different sources and presenting them. It requires serious actions and plans.

Then followed Prize distribution wherein, three prizes were given away for best papers of oral and poster session each.



Welcome address by Prof Sandhya Kiran



Release of Souvenir cum Abstract book by Chief Guest and Guests of Honor at the inauguration function- From the left- Prof. G. Sandhya Kiran, Prof. H.R.Kataria, Prof. Yogini Pathak, Dr. Ashok Saxena, Prof. P.C. Mankodi, Dr. Vijay Laxmi Saxena.



Prize distribution