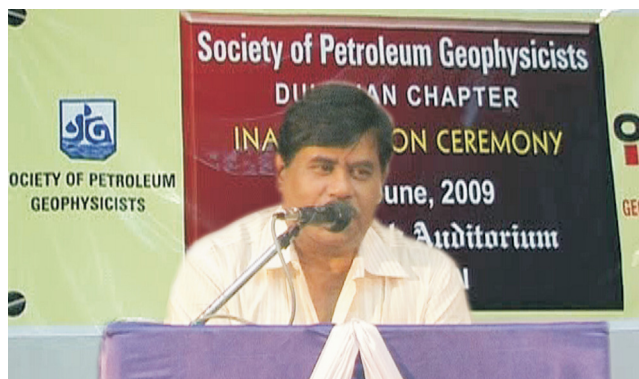


New SPG Chapter at Duliajan inaugurated

28th June 2009 witnessed the beginning of a new and much awaited event for the geo-scientific community of Oil India Limited (OIL); the grand inaugural of the Society of Petroleum Geophysicists (SPG), Duliajan Chapter in Assam. OIL Geophysics Department on the eve of its Silver Jubilee celebration took the pleasure of hosting this prestigious event. The opening ceremony witnessed the august gathering of all the eminent dignitaries and senior management of Oil India Limited at Zaloni Club Auditorium.



President, SPG India speaking at inauguration of Duliajan chapter



Dignitaries at the inaugural function

Shri Apurba Saha, President SPG-India was the Chief Guest of the function and Shri B. N. Talukdar, Director (Exploration & Development), Oil India Limited, was the Guest of Honor. Sh. Apurba Saha elaborated SPG efforts towards technical co-operation and in promoting Geophysics among all, particularly the young minds of India. Shri B. N. Talukdar in his keynote address emphasized the importance and need for such a society as SPG at OIL, which focuses on exchange of both technical ideas and practical experience among geoscientists in India. He sincerely wished the Duliajan Chapter to flourish and grow to be a matter of pride for both



Lighting of lamp at Inaugural function at Duliajan

OIL and SPG. This is the second chapter of SPG in north eastern India; previous one being at Jorhat.

New SPG Student Chapter at Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University

On 25th August, Mr. Apurba Saha, President, SPG, India inaugurated the SPG Student Chapter at Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU), in the auspicious



Apurba Saha at Inauguration of PDPU student chapter



Lighting of lamp at the inaugural function

presence of Prof. P.K.Banik, Director, School of Petroleum Technology (SPT), Prof. S.S.P.Singh, Prof. S.L.Malhotra, Prof. Shrikant Wagh, Asso. Prof. Uttam Bhui, who is also the faculty advisor for the chapter.

On this occasion President, SPG India also delivered a talk on "Role of Society of Petroleum Geophysicists for the professional growth of students". Prof. Banik,(Director SPT)

gave the welcome speech on the inaugural ceremony followed by Mr. Parimal Raj, (Secretary, SPG Student Chapter, PDPU) who highlighted the benefits for professional societies. A vote of thanks was delivered by Ms. S Priyadarshini.

Notably this is the biggest student chapter with 216 student members and five faculty members.

SPG Dehradun hosts Dr. C. H. Mehta's SEG Honorary Lecture

SPG Dehradun hosted Dr C H Mehta, SEG Honorary Lecturer on 14 Sept. 2009. A familiar face to all geoscientists at Dehradun, Dr Mehta delivered his talk on "Significance of Fresnel Zones in Seismic Reflection Prospecting" at GEOPIC Conference Hall where he was welcomed by Sh S K Das, ED, ONGC and Sh C L Baloni, Vice-president SPG India. Over 60 geoscientists benefited from this lecture. During his talk Dr Mehta brought out the significance of Fresnel zones in seismic imaging and demonstrated its relevance to concept of Fresnel Aperture Migration and Beam Migration etc.



Sh C L Baloni, Vice President SPG, India welcoming Dr C H Mehta



Sh S K Das welcoming Dr C H Mehta

Speaking on the occasion Sh S K Das stressed the importance of concepts of Fresnel Zones and need to hold more such talks in future.

SPG Dehradun invited Dr. S. K. Laskar, Ex. Visiting Professor, Tezpur University to deliver a talk on "Depth Determination from Observed GM data". He delivered his talk at GEOPIC, Dehradun on 25th November 2009 which was widely attended by geoscientists of ONGC.



Dr. S. K. Laskar delivering a talk at GEOPIC, Dehradun

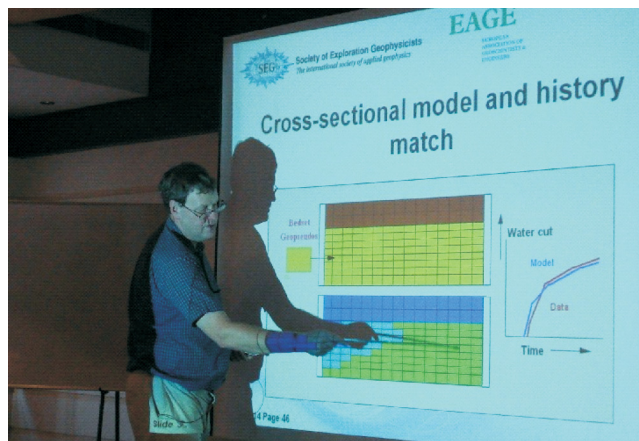
SPG Ahmedabad hosts DISC 2009 at Gandhinagar

In another effort of knowledge building and sharing in E & P fraternity, SPG Ahmedabad chapter organized SEG-EAGE sponsored DISC-2009 at Gandhinagar.



Dr R V Marathe, Head IRS, ONGC, Ahmedabad welcoming Prof. Patrick Corbett

The DISC course on "Petroleum Geo-engineering: Integration of static and dynamic model" was given by renowned Prof. Patrick Corbett, currently Heading the Energy Academy at Heriot-Watt University. Dr R V Marathe while welcoming Prof. Corbett underscored the need for



Prof. Patrick Corbett lecturing during DISC2009 understanding the heterogeneity of the rocks at various scales as this poses a challenge in the model building process from seismic to core level.

A total of 52 participants including students from various universities/institutes, ONGC and other Oil companies attended this course. During the course importance of Well Transient Test Analysis and the significance of Petrophysical study for reservoir modeling was clearly brought out.

SPG Chennai organizes DISC

Society of Petroleum Geophysicists, Chennai organized another Distinguished Instructor Short course (DISC) on 21.11.09 in association with SEG/EAGE on "Reservoir Geophysics Application" by Mr. William L. Abriel, who is a geophysical consultant with Chevron, USA. Around 40 participants from various oil companies attended the course.

Mr. William demonstrated how and why geophysics

adds value in reservoir management using case histories from multiple geological environments such as deep water turbidities, onshore fluvial, near shore deltaics, carbonates. He detailed the role of specific geophysical applications in discovery and delineation including the introduction of key well information, geological facies modeling and well traces.

Shri G. Sarvesam, GGM, ONGC and President, SPG, Chennai Chapter, expressed his appreciation of the lecture given by Mr. William and thanked him.



Sh Ashish Ghosh, Vice President SPG Chennai welcoming Dr William L Abriel



Dr Abriel interacting with participants at DISC

SPG Kurukshetra Chapter Hosts SEG Honorary Lecture

Student section, University of Kurukshetra Geophysical Society hosted Dr. C.H. Mehta as 2009 SEG Honorary Lecturer- South and East Asia. Dr Mehta delivered his talk entitled "Fresnel Zones in Seismic Reflection Prospecting".

There were approximately 60 students with four faculty member present during the lecture. The lecture was followed by an open discussion.

It was the first time that an Honorary Lecturer of SEG visited our student section.



Dr C.H. Mehta with participants at Kurukshetra University

SPG-SEG Student Section at ISM Dhanbad organizes Workshop

SPG-SEG Student chapter at Indian School of Mines Dhanbad, organized a workshop on "Exploration and Exploitation of CBM Resources" on Sept. 6, 2009. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Apurba Saha, President, SPG India who spoke of the cooperation of oil industry and academia, as well as the prospects of CBM exploration. Shri P. K. Pal, Chief General Manager (Exploration), CMPDI, Ranchi

was the Guest of Honor.

Speaking on the occasion Dr. P.R. Mohanty, Prof & Head of the Department, Applied Geophysics stressed the need of industry to help the academic institute by sponsoring research projects and sending experts to institutes to share their experiences with students and faculty.



Inauguration of workshop by SPG President Apurba Saha



Participants interacting in poster presentation area during workshop

SPG Student Section at Jadavpur University organizes Workshop

Department of Geological Sciences, Jadavpur University under the auspices of Society of Petroleum Geophysicists (SPG), Jadavpur University Student Chapter organized a one-day Workshop on "Reservoirs and Reservoir Management" on 4th September, 2009. The workshop saw participation of students and faculty members from Jadavpur University, School of Oceanographic Studies, Jadavpur, Jogmaya Devi College, Rabindra Bharati University and Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad.

The workshop was inaugurated by Sri Apurba Saha, President SPG, India who spoke about the activities of the SPG India and the importance of the study of reservoirs in hydrocarbon exploration.

Prof. S Dutta, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Jadavpur University was the Guest of Honor and Sri R. Majumdar, Vice President, SPG, Kolkata Chapter was Special Invitee. The speakers invited for the talk were Sri Shyamal Bhattacharya, GM (Res.) & Subsurface Manager, Neelam Heera Asset, ONGC, Mumbai, who spoke on "Reservoir Engineering and Management", and Sri K. K. Ray, DGM (Res.), IRS Ahmedabad expounded on "Rock and Fluid Properties".

Prof. S K Nag, Head of the Department of Geological Sciences welcomed all the guests, dignitaries and delegates. Prof. S. Dutta stressed upon the importance of the interdisciplinary research on the reservoir study.



A presenter at the workshop



A view of the audience at the workshop