

3RD INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

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Dear Sir/Madam,

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On behalf of the seminar Organizing Committee, I cordially invite all the geographers and geo-scientists to participate and contribute paper as well as sharing their idea and knowledge on the operating earth system processes and associated issues and challenges.

With warm regards.

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Focal Theme of the Seminar

‘Earth System Processes and Interruptions: Issues and Challenges’

The prime objective behind organizing 3rd International Seminar is to understand various geomorphic processes operating over the earth surface and its resultant consequences which would be discussed and analyzed in different technical sessions with proper methodologies in presence of students, research scholars, teachers and resource persons. Earth system processes contribute in the modification of the landscape and its designing. Each and every landscape is the template and imprint of a particular geomorphic process where human adjustment is quite common and associated changes in geo-anthropogenic processes interrupts system processes and invite new equilibrium state in the landscape. Rugged and steep landscapes in the mountain environment tend to limit human development due to having greater chance for landslide, coastal and riverine plain landscapes characterized by regular flooding and thereby nurture flood plain and riparian wetland habitats which is crucial to the world's ecosystem scenario. Such well arranged geomorphic catena devised by nature possesses both some benefits and burdens and people should adjust with geomorphic limits and opportunities instead of much alteration. Naturally, alteration of geomorphic processes and its consequences are strongly tied with throngs of factors like geology, climate, tectonic disturbances, human being etc. Biological influences, especially human actions in turn directly affect landscape forming processes and introducing steer landscape change. Human is considered today a forceful agent of interrupting earth system dynamics and changing geomorphic system components regularly. Construction of dam and barrage over river for taming the flow has resulted interruptions in longitudinal hydro-ecological connectivity of a river and sensitive pulse of the flood plain process-form and involved ecosystem. Strong deforestation in the Mangrove forest region of coastal region invited destructive storm in the interior of the continent influencing changes in estuarine process and living system. Construction of hanging tourism industries and infrastructures wiping out forest in the steep mountain increased the frequency of landslide, landslide risk and risk of flash flood loss as experienced in Utrakhand, Himachal Pradesh in Recent decade. Unscientific sand mining, embanking river etc. welcome unnecessary turbulence in river system accelerating rapid flood, sand splay events in the plain land sterilizing fertile productive land for a good many years. Wetland morphology is also rapidly changed in last fifty years in spite of having its immense efficacy for producing immeasurable goods and services for life support. So, the earth system processes and interruptions are to be understood with proper knowledge and scientific method by the common people to promote self-regulatory mechanism in every geomorphic system environment and where will exists the actual relevance of organizing 3rd International Seminar at the Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga.

Sub-themes of the Seminar:

It is high time for re-thinking these ensuing issues and challenges and finding out reliable solution for sustaining natural process and living system. So, dear scholars, teachers and

academicians you are cordially invited in this seminar platform for addressing and sharing your research findings on the following **sub-themes**:

- (1) Mountain Slope and Geo-anthropogenic Processes
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How to reach Malda and University of Gour Banga:

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University of Gour Banga:

The University of Gour Banga was established through the West Bengal Act XXVI of 2007 at Malda one of the most backward region of West Bengal in 2008. It is 347 km. north of Kolkata well connected through both rail and road ways. The university started its journey with a firm vision to enkindle the ever effulgent light of knowledge and research intent of the students of under privileged class and communities so that they can achieve high academic standing and redeem their innate potential. At present there are twenty one academic departments in the Gour Banga University Campus and each department is determined to pay back something significant to the society by means of rendering a centre for its faculties who will embody the spirit of excellence in teaching, research, creative activities and community engagement. All the PG departments are running with Ph.D. courses of studies. The University of Gour Banga is growing and changing fast keeping pace with the present Higher Education scenario of Government of West Bengal. In view of the Department of Geography, it started journey since 2012 and during this span four academic sessions are going to be completed by 2017. Department possesses well equipped class rooms, RS GIS laboratory, Soil and Environment laboratory, smart class room, well structured research laboratory and seminar library. This Department is running with Ph.D. and M.Phil. programme since 2014. Department regularly use to organize Special Lectures, Memorial Lectures, Studen's Seminar, National and International Seminars in each academic session.

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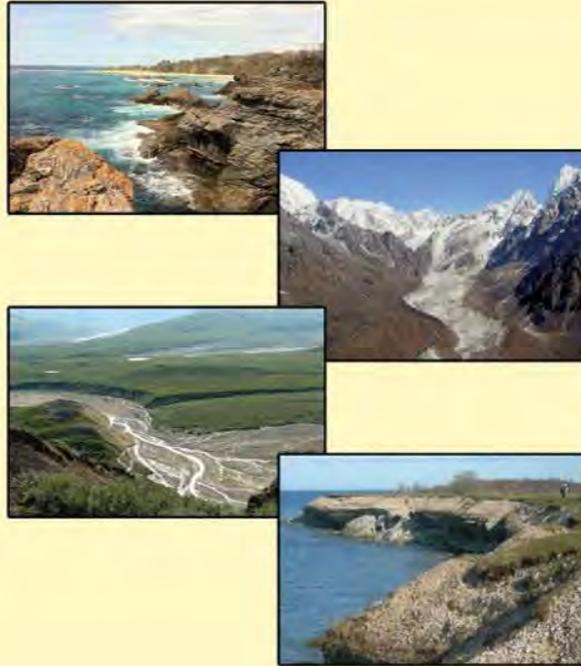
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