

Announcement

National Conference on Biodiversity Assessment, Conservation and Utilization and 'Wild Reflections' – Nature Photography Competition

Department of Biodiversity, M.E.S. Abasaheb Garware College, Karve Road, Pune 4 announces a 'National Conference on Biodiversity Assessment, Conservation and Utilization'. The conference is to be held on 10 and 11 February 2012 in Pune (Maharashtra). Abstracts and photographs are invited for the following themes:

Conference themes	'Wild Reflections' themes
Biodiversity Assessment (Genetic diversity, Habitat diversity, Species diversity – plants, animals, microbial, Unique ecosystems, Fresh water/marine ecosystems, Under-explored taxa)	Unique Landscapes
Ecosystem Functions (Climate change, Phenology, Plant–animal interactions, Pollination)	Endangered species
Bioprospecting and Utilization (Medicinal plants, Agrobiodiversity and Livestock Diversity, Domestication)	Rare sightings in the wild
Landscape Ecology (RS-GIS application in Biodiversity studies, Impact assessment, Eco-restoration)	Animal behaviour
<i>In-situ</i> , <i>Ex-situ</i> conservation models	Patterns in nature
Community Participation in Conservation (Access-Benefit Sharing, Community conservation models, Biodiversity Legislation)	Disturbances in nature

Special session on 'Role of Corporates in Conservation'.

Last date of abstract submission: **30 November 2011**
Contact: biodiversityconference2012@gmail.com

Chairman: Prof. Madhav Gadgil
Convener: Dr Shrikant Gupta

For details and updates: www.mesbiodiversity.in
Organizing Secretary: **Dr Ankur Patwardhan** (020-4103 8236/7)



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Applications are invited for Junior Research Fellow (JRF) in the School of Petroleum Technology, Gandhinagar. The relevant details are as follows:

- Project title** : Variation in Holocene monsoonal intensity in parts of Indian subcontinent as deciphered from foraminifera from Eastern Arabian Sea.
- Principal Investigator** : Dr Ashish Sarkar
- Funding agency** : Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt of India (No. SR/S4/ES-426/2009).
- No. of fellowship** : One
- Fellowship amount** : Rs 12,000 or 16,000 (first two years) based on NET qualification + HRA (as per rule).
- Tenure** : Three years
- Eligibility** : M.Sc./M.Sc.Tech./M.Tech. Degree in Geology/Applied Geology/Earth Sciences with minimum 60% Marks or 6.5 CPI/CGPA and NET/GATE qualification. Candidates are required to go on ocean cruise(s) for collection of sediment cores.

Interested persons may please apply on plain paper along with CV to **The Principal Investigator** by post or by e-mail to holocene.dst@gmail.com before **3 November 2011**.