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Planetary Sciences and Exploration Programme (PLANEX) Sixteenth Workshop on 'Exploration of Inner Solar System Objects' 7–10 March 2016 at PRL, Ahmedabad

The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has embarked on an exciting planetary exploration programme. After the successful Mars Orbiter Mission, the first Indian mission to Mars, and upcoming Lunar mission, planetary missions to Mars and Venus are under consideration. With the aim of creating awareness amongst students and research scholars in the universities, research laboratories and academic institutions and to attract bright talented young scholars to take up research in the challenging area of Planetary Science and Exploration, the PLANEX programme has been organizing periodic workshops and training programmes. The 16th Workshop in this series is planned to be held during 7–10 March 2016 on the theme 'Exploration of inner solar system objects' at PRL, Ahmedabad. The Workshop will consist of lectures by experts, group discussions, tutorials and presentations by participants.

Eligibility for application:

- Final year M.Sc. students in Physics/Chemistry or Earth/Planetary/Space Sciences
- Final year B.E./B.Tech./M.Tech. students with interest in the above areas
- Research Scholars working towards their Ph.D. degree in any of the above areas

Support: Selected participants will be provided travel support (Sleeper class by train or Bus as per PRL norms), accommodation and boarding for the duration of the workshop.

Instructions:

- Interested students/scholars should e-mail their application (e-mail correspondence is preferred) or send the application by post (see Convener's address below) on or before **1 February 2016**, enclosing a brief bio-data, research interests (in ~200 words) and a reference letter from Department Head/Research Supervisor. Those candidates who have attended earlier PLANEX workshops are not eligible to apply.

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