The Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany in Lucknow will hold a 7-day workshop on Concepts in Quaternary Climate Studies with Emphasis on Dendrochronology and Palynology from 12–18 May 2009. The workshop will include a two-day lecture series related to Quaternary palaeoclimate followed by a field trip to the Himalayan region. The principle objective of this workshop is to train students and young scientists in state-of-the-art tree-ring science and help them to create a knowledge base needed to develop and apply dendroclimatological and dendroecological data to the study of ecological and climatological variability in the Indian subcontinent and elsewhere around the world. Students and young scientists with a background in Botany/Geology/Forestry/Environmental Science are encouraged to participate in the workshop, and should submit an application with their biodata through their Supervisors or Heads of their Department or Institution to Dr A. Bhattacharyya.

The invitation, providing TA (II AC) and DA, to the likely participants will be extended on the basis of the merit of the proposal submitted by 25 April 2009.

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