

ACTIVITY REPORT - 11

IGS Activity update from 1st April 2025 to 10th July 2025

Got opportunity to attend the inauguration of the IGS Student Chapter at IIT Tirupati on April 25, 2025. I wish the enthusiastic student members of the budding student chapter at IIT Thirupati, all the best for their future endeavors! I would like to extend my gratitude to Prof. Murali Krishna, Prof. B Janaki Ramaiah, and Prof. R Ayothiraman, Dr. K. N Satyanarayana, Professor and Director of IIT Thirupati, Dr. CH Sudha Rani, Chairman and the office bearers of the IGS Thirupati chapter for their initiative in establishing this student chapter. Additionally, I had the opportunity to visit SV University Tirupati and engage in an interactive session with student members.

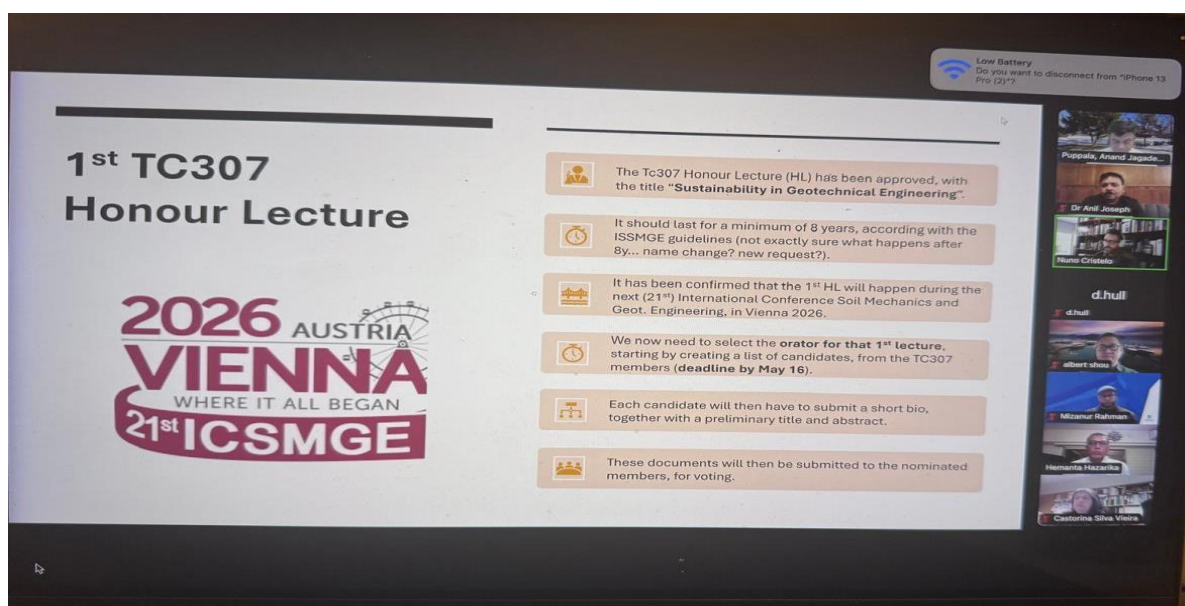
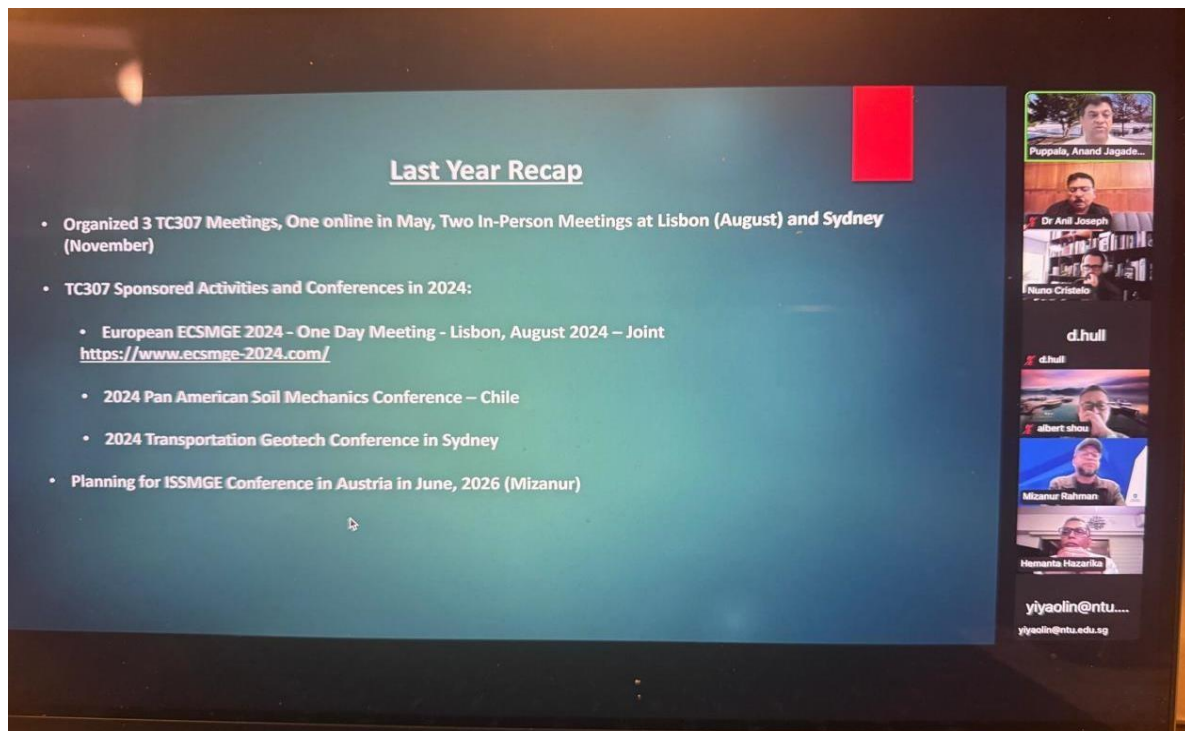




Met Dr. Ashok Kumar Gupta, Chairman, and Dr. Neeraj Singh Parihar, Honorary Secretary, of the IGS Shimla Chapter on April 29, 2025. Meeting provided a valuable opportunity to engage in productive discussions on revitalizing chapter activities and implementing strategies to boost membership growth. We explored innovative ideas and potential initiatives to enhance the chapter's relevance and appeal, ultimately benefiting the geotechnical community in the region. Overall, the meeting marked a significant step forward in strengthening the IGS Shimla Chapter's presence and impact in IGS.



Attended the TC 307 online meeting on 30th April 2025, along with Prof. Anand Puppala and team regarding the planning TC 307 workshop during 1st Geotech Asia 2025.



Had the opportunity to visit IGS Indore Chapter on 22nd May 2025 and engage in a meaningful meeting with the Executive Committee members. I extend my sincere thanks to Dr. Mahavir Bidasaria, Past National President and Patron of the IGS Indore Chapter, for his continued guidance and support. I also

express my gratitude to Prof. D. Neelima Satyam, Chairperson, Prof. Amit Sharma, Secretary, and all the dedicated office bearers for the warm welcome and the engaging discussions.

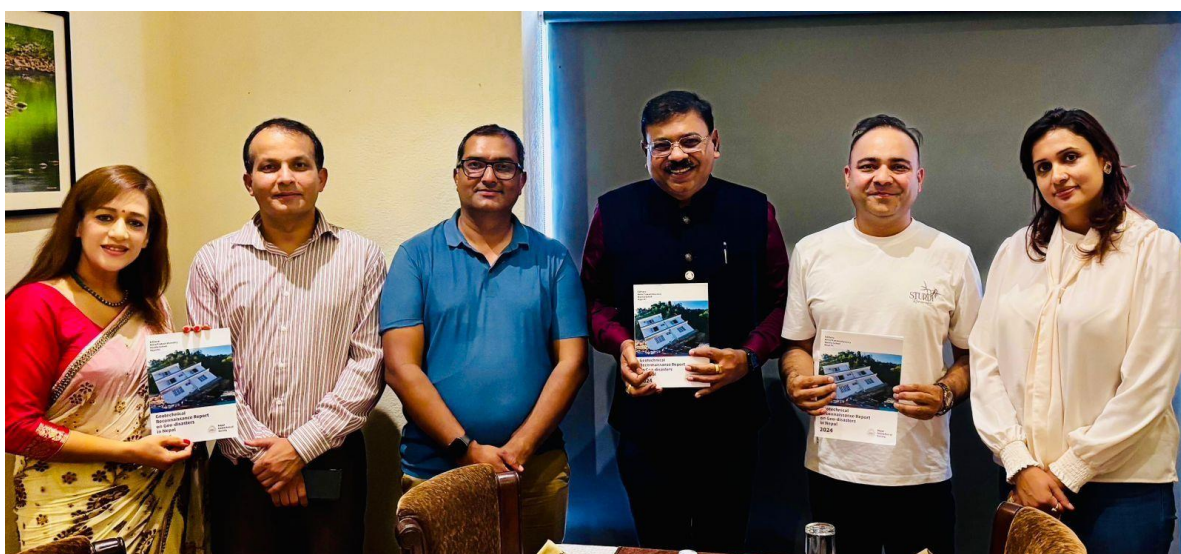


Had the privilege of visiting the Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS) Thiruvananthapuram Chapter on 27th May 2025 and participate in their Executive Committee meeting held at the LBS Institute for Women, Poojapura, Thiruvananthapuram. The meeting provided a valuable opportunity for insightful and engaging discussions, particularly focusing on the upcoming Geotech Asia 2025 conference and the TSR (Terzaghi-Shamsher-Rao) lecture series. I extend my heartfelt thanks to Dr. N. Unnikrishnan, Chairman, Dr. Jayamohan J., Hon. Secretary, and all the dedicated office bearers for their warm hospitality and for facilitating such meaningful interactions.





On May 28th, I had the privilege of meeting Dr. Mandip Subedi, President, Nepal Geotechnical Society along with the office bearers of the Nepal Geotechnical Society in Kathmandu. The meeting proved to be highly productive, with in-depth discussions focused on the upcoming 1st Geotech Asia Conference. During our exchange, the Society expressed strong support for the event and committed to contributing 10 additional technical papers as well as ensuring the participation of 20 delegates. We also took the opportunity to deliberate on the future direction and collaborative prospects of the Association of Geotechnical Societies of South Asia (AGSSA), emphasizing the importance of regional cooperation in advancing geotechnical engineering practices across South Asia. A highlight of the visit was the honor of releasing the annual book of NGS on Geotechnical Reconnaissance Report on Geo-Disasters in Nepal – 2024, which encapsulates critical insights and findings on recent geohazard events in the region. Overall, the interaction marked a significant step forward in strengthening professional ties and enhancing collaborative initiatives in the geotechnical community.

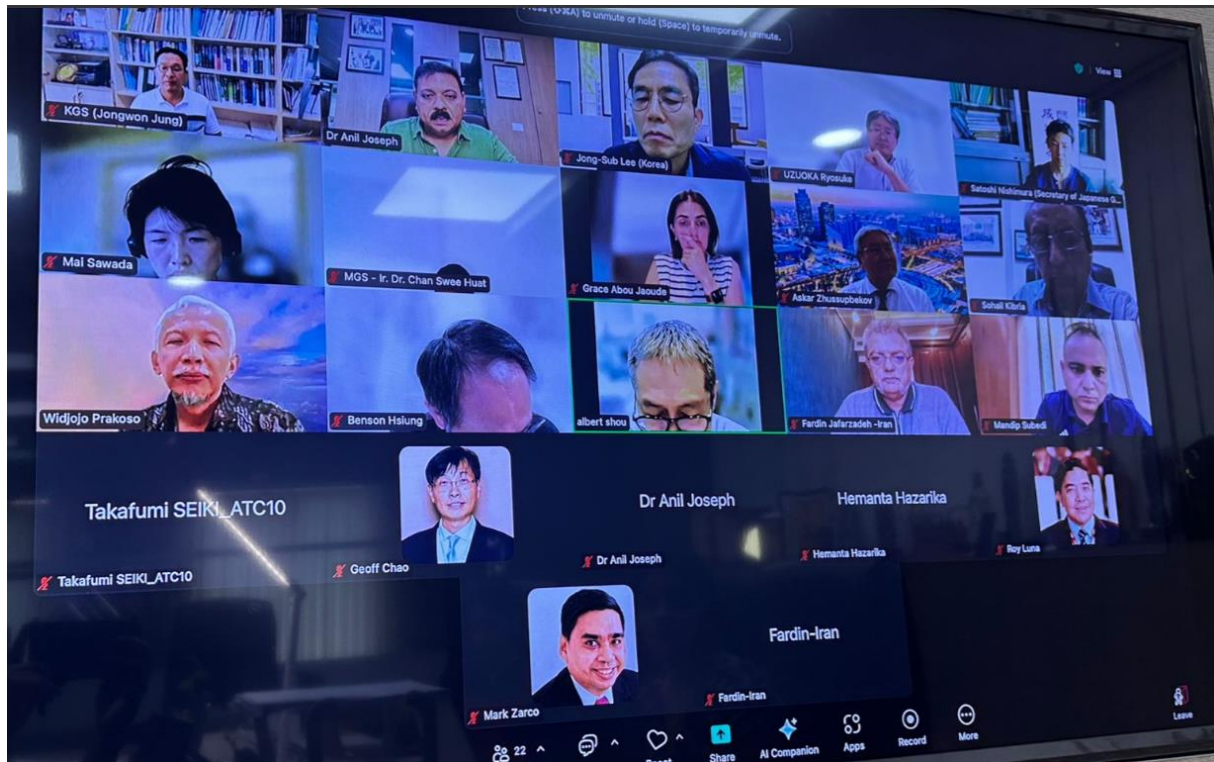




Attended the Executive Committee meeting of the IGS Kochi Chapter on 31st May 2025. The meeting was productive and insightful, with a key highlight being the detailed discussion on the support from IGS Kochi chapter to 1st Geotech Asia Conference 2025. I am happy to share that the IGS Kochi Chapter has extended its support to the conference by contributing a sponsorship amount of ₹1 lakh and commitment for 4 more papers. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Dr. Babu T. Jose (Patron), Shri M. D. Nair (Immediate Past Chairman), Er. Manoj Mathew (Chairman), Er. A. V. S. Chakravarti (Hon. Secretary), and all the dedicated office bearers of the IGS Kochi Chapter.



Participated in the online Asian Technical Committee meeting on 1st July 2025. During the session, shared updates on the activities of the Indian Geotechnical Society and sought support from member nations for the inaugural Geotech Asia conference. It was also decided that the bid for hosting the 2nd Geotech Asia in 2029 will be conducted during the first Geotech Asia conference in 2025, to be held in Goa, which is expected to attract a larger international delegation.



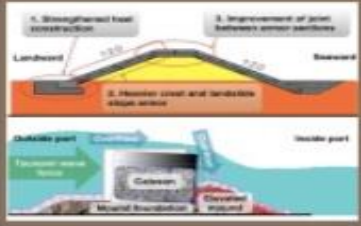




The 243rd Executive Committee Meeting of the Indian Geotechnical Society was successfully held on 5th July 2025, hosted by the IGS Baroda Chapter at Grand Mercure Vadodara Surya Palace. Also participated in the One-Day National Workshop on Geotechnical and Structural Engineering in Practice, organized by the IGS Baroda Chapter in collaboration with the Structural Engineers Association, Vadodara, at the same venue. Following the event, a visit to the Statue of Unity was thoughtfully arranged for the Executive Committee members of IGS by the IGS Baroda Chapter on 6th July 2025. I appreciate the entire IGS Baroda team: led by Er. Ravi Kiran Vaidya, Dr. Jaykumar Shukla, Dr. Lalit Thakur, Dr. Ruchi P. Srivastava, and all the office bearers for their excellent planning, professional execution, warm hospitality, and the personal attention extended throughout the events.






Attended the online Lecture Talk meeting on “Climate Resilient Analysis & Design of Embankments” by Prof. G.L. Sivakumar Babu, IISc, Bangalore on the occasion of Foundation Day of IGS Bhubaneswar Chapter on July 9, 2025. I appreciate the efforts of the Prof. Laxmikantha Tripathy, Prof. Sumanta Haldar, Dr. Shantanu Patra, Dr. Kumuda Gauda and the entire office bearers of the IGS Bhubaneswar chapter for the well conducted program.








Dr. Anil Josehp
Chief Guest



Dr. A.P. Singh
Guest of Honour



Lecture Talk meeting on
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 by
Prof. G.L.Sivakumar Babu
 IISc, Bangalore



On the occasion of
Foundation day
 of **IGS Bhubaneswar**
Chapter

Dt.9.7.2025, 5.00 PM in Hybrid mode
Venue: School of infrastructure,
IIT Bhubaneswar

Google Meet joining info Video call link:
<https://meet.google.com/dga-egps-nfd>



Dr. Kumuda Ch. Gouda
Treasurer




Dr. Shantunu Patra
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
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
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
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