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Research and Professional Interest:

Unicellular eukaryotic hard test-bearing marine tiny foraminifera bears ample information regarding the depositional environment, evolution, extinction, tectonism, earth's history, etc. I love finding them in sediments, seeing them under a microscope, measuring their different parameters, and revealing hidden information.

Expertise: Micropaleontology, Functional morphology, Paleoceanography, Paleoclimatology, Biostratigraphy, Hydrocarbon Exploration

EXPERIENCE

12.7.2024 to till date PROFESSOR, IIT(ISM) DHANBAD RESEARCH, TEACHING (UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE COURSES) 31.5.2008 – 11.7.2024 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, IIT(ISM) DHANBAD RESEARCH, TEACHING (UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE COURSES)

29.2.2008 – 30.5.2016 ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, IIT(ISM) DHANBAD RESEARCH, TEACHING (UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE COURSES)

29.6.1999 – 28.2.2008 JUNIOR TECHNICAL SUPERINTENDENT, IIT KHARAGPUR ASSISTED IN PRACTICAL CLASSES AND LOOKED AFTER ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS

01.11.1997 – 30.4.1999 MINING GEOLOGISTS, G. R. GRAPHITE INDUSTRIES, SAMBALPUR, ODHISA EXPLORATION & MAPPING

EDUCATION

AUGUST 2007

PH. D, IIT KHARAGPUR, Micropaleontology (Geology). Completed coursework on Applied Micropaleontology, Geophysical Exploration, Geostatistics, and English for science & society. Supervisor: Prof. Anil Kumar Gupta.

APRIL 1997

M SC, University Colleges of Science, Technology & Agriculture University of Calcutta, Geology. M. Sc thesis supervisor: Prof. Tapan Kumar Ghosh.

MARCH 1995

B SC, Asutosh College, University of Calcutta, Geology (Honours), Pass subjects: Mathematics and Chemistry.

AWARDS & HONOURS

•	Expert of Paleontology by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), New Delhi.	•	Elected as a Fellow of the Geological Society of India, Bangalore, India in 2014
•	Head, Central Research Facility	•	Prof. S. K. Singh Gold Medal Award, 2013, Paleontological Society of India, Lucknow
	aleontological Society of India, Lucknow	•	2 nd best paper presentation award, 2011, World Petrocoal Congress, New Delhi
•	Research Advisory Committee Member, 2019 to 2022, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun	•	Received full fellowship from IMAGES- PAGES, Germany, for attending the 9 th
•	Research Advisory Committee Member, 2017 to 2020, Department of Geology, Presidency University, Kolkata		International Conference on Paleoceanography (ICP-IX) held in 2007, Shanghai, China
•	Jagdep Singh Memorial Best Paper Award from the Geological Society of India for the year 2017 for the research article "Seismic attenuation for characterization of gas hydrate reservoir in Krishna-Godavari basin, eastern Indian margin. Journal of the Geological Society of India, 90, 261-266" by Jyothi, V., Sain, K., Pandey, V., and Bhaumik. A. K.	•	Received full fellowship from IMAGES- PAGES, Germany, for attending the 8 th International Conference on Paleoceanography (ICP-IX) held in 2004, Biarritz, France.

MEMBERSHIP

- Life Fellow of the Paleontological Society of India, Lucknow
- Life Member of the Indian Geological Congress, Roorkee
- Life Member of the Geological Society of India, Bangalore
- Life Member of The Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata
- Member of The Micropalaeontology Society, UK

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Research Projects:

Completed

- Variations of Paleoproductivity related to Northern Hemisphere Glaciation and Mid Pleistocene Transition: Planktic foraminiferal and study from NW Atlantic. Minor Research Project, IIT(ISM), Dhanbad. Sanction date: 04.02.2009 (2 years tenure)
- Distribution and carbon isotopic variations of benthic foraminifera from gas hydrate-rich Peru Offshore. DST. Sanction date: 19.8.2011 (3 years tenure).
- Characterization, quantification, and genesis of gas hydrates in Krishna-Godavari Basin, Bay of Bengal, using benthic foraminiferal, geochemical, and geophysical studies. MoES. Sanction date: 14.01.2025 (3 years tenure).
- Synergetic Training Program Utilizing the Scientific and Technological Infrastructure (STUTI), DST. Sanction date: 09.02.20222 (1 year tenure).

Ongoing

• To strengthen the research facilities in the Department of Applied Geology, DST-FIST. Sanction date: 24.9.2021 (5 years tenure).

 Foraminiferal, geochemical and sedimentological investigations on Holocene sediments of the Bay of Bengal: Unveiling climatic variations, oxygen-deficient environments, and seepage effects. DST-CRG. Sanction date: 19.02.2024 (3 years tenure).

Industry/Consultancy projects/Training program conducted:

- "Frontiers of Earth Science" from 12th to 18th July 2022 in Jadavpur University [Project No. DST/RND/STUTI/2021/13(C)].
- "Uses of Sophisticated Instruments in Earth Sciences" from 25th to 31st March 2022 in IIT(ISM) [Project No. DST/RND/STUTI/2021/13(C)].
- Student awareness program during 22nd to 28th February 2022 in IIT(ISM). [Project No. DST/RND/STUTI/2021/13(C)]
- Testing of CBM Core/Non-Core samples by Petropath Fluids (India) Pvt. Ltd. (Project No. TEST/6095/ 2021-22)..
- Two-Week Training Programme on 'Petroleum Exploration' for Officials of the Ministry of Mines, Government of Afghanistan, from 28th April to 12th May 2013, Consultancy No. Cons/2123/2013-14 Funding agency: Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India.
- Characterization of phosphate fines and associated test work for flowsheet development purposes. Consultancy No. Cons/2580/14-15. Funding agency: Hira Group, Spain.

PH.D. Supervision: Completed: 07 and Ongoing: 05

Master's thesis supervision: Completed: 72 and Ongoing: 03

Publications:

Peer-Reviewed journals

- Roy, L., Ghosh, A. K., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2024. Tortonian–Messinian radiolarian events from Northeast Indian Ocean – diversity analysis, palaeogeographic distribution and depositional environment. Journal of Earth System Science. 134:32, 1-25; https://doi.org/10.1007/s12040-024-02481-2.
- Bhaumik, A. K., Kumar, S., Chaudhuri, S., Mohanty, S., Mukherjee, M. K., Sain, K., Gupta, A. K., and Kumar, P., 2024. Accumulation of Gas Hydrates in Mass Transport Deposit at Krishna-Godavari Basin, Bay of Bengal: Foraminiferal, Sedimentological, and Seismic Evidence. AAPG Bulletin, 108(9), 1687-1703. doi.org/10.1306/03222423052.
- 3. Chaudhuri et al., 2024. Analysis of the spectral contrast between fossil-bearing and fossil-depleted limestone- Implication in delineating fossil-bearing limestone using reflectance and emittance spectroscopy data. Journal of the Geological Society of India, 100(7), 971-980. doi.org/10.17491/jgsi/2024/173940.
- 4. Roy, Lopamudra and Ghosh, Amit K and Bhaumik, Ajoy Kumar, 2024. Late Miocene radiolarian data from the sediment core of NGHP–01–17A in the Andaman and Nicobar Basin, NE Indian Ocean. Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=4807267 or http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4807267.
- Bhaumik et al., 2024. Biostratigraphy and sedimentation rate estimation of Quaternary sediments of the Krishna-Godavari Basin, Bay of Bengal: Evidence from NGHP-01 Holes 10D, 5C and 3B. Micropaleontology, 70(3), 239-252. http://doi.org/10.47894/mpal.70.3.03.
- 6. Roy et al., 2023. Tortonian silicoflagellates from the offshore of northeast Indian Ocean. Deep-Sea Research Part-II, 210, 105297. doi.org/10.1016/j.dsr2.2023.105297.

- Dey et al., 2023. Rhodolith-forming coralline red algae in the CaCO3 biofactory A case study from the Serravallian of tropical northeastern Indian Ocean. Comptes Rendus Palevol, 22(26), 541-567. doi.org/10.5852/cr-palevol2023v22a26.
- Mohanty et al., 2023. Late Holocene Paleoceanographic and Climatic Changes and their Impact on Indian Socio-Economic Condition: Benthic Foraminiferal Evidence from the Bay of Bengal. The Holocene, 33(7) 791–806. doi.org/10.1177/09596836231163505.
- Maiti et al., 2023. Experimental and kinetic modelling studies on the gas hydrate inhibition effect of PVP K-90 in drilling fluids. Gas Science and Engineering, 115, 205015. doi.org/10.1016/j.jgsce.2023.205015.
- 10. Chaudhuri et al., 2022. Multiproxy analysis constraining climatic control over the Cenozoic depositional history of Kachchh, Western India. Geological Journal, 57(9), 1–33. doi.org/10.1002/gj.4511.
- 11. Maiti et al., 2022. Inhibition effect of synthesized Ionic liquids on hydrate formation: A kinetic and thermodynamic study. Energy & Fuels, 36 (18), 10832-10844. doi: 10.1021/acs.energyfuels.2c01921.
- 12. Singh et al., 2022. Paleomonsoonal shifts during ~13700 to 3100 yr BP in the central Ganga Basin, India with a severe arid phase at~4.2 ka. Quaternary International, 629, 65-73. doi.org/10.1016/j.quaint.2021.01.015.
- 13. Dey et al., 2022. Burdigalian–Serravallian radiolarians from Havelock Island, Northeast Indian Ocean and their palaeoecological significance. Micropaleontology, 68(4), 345-374. doi.org/10.47894/mpal.68.4.01.
- 14. Maiti et al., 2022. Geological characterization of natural gas hydrate bearing sediments and their influence on Hydrate formation and dissociation. Journal of Natural Gas Science and Engineering, 100, 104491, doi.org/10.1016/j.jngse.2022.104491.
- 15. Roy et al., 2022. Diatom assemblages from the Tortonian of northeast Indian Ocean (NGHP-01-17A): its correlation with significant radiolarian and calcareous nannofossil events. Micropaleontology, 68(1), 51-84. doi.org/10.47894/mpal.68.1.03.
- Maiti et al., 2021. Formulation and characterization of water-based drilling fluids for gas hydrate reservoirs with efficient inhibition properties. Journal of Dispersion Science and Technology, 42(3), 338-351. doi.org/10.1080/01932691.2019.1680380.
- 17. Srivastava et al., 2021. Biostratigraphy and sea-level fluctuations during the Jurassic of Kachchh region, Gujarat, India. Journal of the Palaeontological Society of India, 66(2), 156-162.
- 18. Maiti, et al., 2021. Performance of water-based drilling fluids for deep-water and hydrate reservoirs: designing and modeling studies. Petroleum Science, 18(6), 1709-1728. doi.org/10.1016/j.petsci.2021.09.001.
- 19. Dey et al., 2021. Late Pliocene to early Pleistocene Planktonic foraminifera from Northern Indian Ocean (Andaman and Nicobar Islands): Interpretation on cooling event and ocean upwelling. Journal of Foraminiferal Research, 51(3), 115-138. doi.org/10.2113/gsjfr.51.3.115.
- Guha et al., 2020. Reflectance spectroscopy-guided broadband spectral derivative approach to detect glauconite-rich zones in fossiliferous limestone, Kachchh region, Gujarat, India. Ore Geology Reviews, 127, 103825, doi.org/10.1016/j.oregeorev.2020.103825.
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- 22. Singh et al., 2020. Abrupt shifts in the Indian summer monsoon during the last three millennia. Quaternary International, 558, 59-65. doi.org/10.1016/j.quaint.2020.08.033.
- Biswas, S., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2020. Timing and cause of the disappearance of some elongated taxa in the Indian Ocean: Study from NGHP Hole 17A. Journal of Earth System Science, 129 (1), 128 (1-10), doi.org/10.1007/s12040-020-01399-9 (012345678).

- 24. Chowdhury, S., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2019. Palaeoceanographic changes in the Bay of Bengal during the Holocene. Journal of the Paleontological Society of India, 64(1), 61-72 (ISSN 0552-9360).
- 25. Srivastava et al., 2018. Characterisation of organic carbon in black shales of the Kachchh basin, Gujarat, India. Journal of Earth System Science, 127, (7). doi.org/10.1007/s12040-018-1002-8.
- 26. Srivastava et al., 2017. Depositional environment of intertrappean and intratrappean beds of the Anjar area in a marine environment: Foraminiferal evidence. Journal of Paleontological Society of India, 62(2), 147-156.
- 27. Bhaumik et al., 2017. Biostratigraphy and depositional environment of the Miocene limestone bed of Baripada, Mayurbhanj District, Odisha: Foraminiferal, sedimentological and bulk organic geochemical evidences. Journal of Geological Society of India, 90, 437-446. doi.org/10.1007/s12594-017-0737-1.
- 28. Jyothi et al., 2017. Seismic attenuation for characterization of gas hydrate reservoir in Krishna-Godavari basin, eastern Indian margin. Journal of the Geological Society of India, 90, 261-266. Doi.10.1007/s12040-017-0840-0.
- Bhaumik et al., 2017. Stable carbon and oxygen isotope study on benthic foraminifera: implication for microhabitat preferences and interspecies correlation. Journal of Earth System Science, 126:72. doi: 10.1007/s12040-017-0840-0.
- 30. Das et al., 2017. Holocene strengthening of the Oxygen Minimum Zone in the northwestern Arabian Sea linked to changes in intermediate water circulation or Indian monsoon intensity? Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology, 483, 125-135. doi.org/10.1016/j.palaeo.2016.10.035.
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- 32. Bhaumik et al., 2014. Surface and deep-water variability at Blake Ridge, NW Atlantic during the Plio-Pleistocene linked to closing of the Central American Seaway. Paleogeography, Paleoclimatology, paleoecology, 399, 345-351. doi:10.1016/j.palaeo.2014.02.001.
- 33. Bhaumik et al., 2013. Gas hydrates occurrence, destabilization and potential energy resources: A review based on faunal, geochemical and geophysical investigations with special reference to the Blake Ridge, NW Atlantic. Journal of the Palaeontological Society of India, 58(1), 39-50.
- 34. Sain et al., 2012. Geo-scientific Investigations of Gas-Hydrates in India. Proceedings of Indian National Science Academy, 78, 503-511.
- 35. Bhaumik et al. 2011. Stilostomella: Extinction or local disappearance of elongated species? Current Science, 101 (7), 952-958.
- 36. Mohan et al., 2011. Distribution of deep-sea benthic foraminifera in the Neogene of Blake Ridge, NW Atlantic. Journal of Micropalaeontology, 30, 33-74, doi: 10.1144/0262-821X10-008.
- Bhaumik, et al., 2011. Blake Outer Ridge: Late Neogene Variability in Paleoceanography and Deepsea Biota. Paleogeography, Paleoclimatology, paleoecology, 302 (3-4), 435-451, doi: 10.1016/j.palaeo.2011.02.004.
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- 39. Bose et al., 2007. Meteoritic impacts and climatic changes in Pliocene-Pleistocene epoch. Earth, Moon, and Planets, 101, 141-151, doi:10.1007/s11038-007-9190-2.
- 40. Bhaumik et al., 2007. Paleoceanographic evolution of the northeastern Indian Ocean during the Miocene: evidence from deep-sea benthic foraminifera (DSDP Hole 216A). Indian Journal of Marine Sciences, 36(4), 332-341.
- Bhaumik, A. K. and Gupta, A. K., 2007. Evidence of methane release from Blake Ridge ODP Hole 997A during the Plio-Pleistocene: Benthic foraminifer fauna and Total Organic Carbon. Current Science, 92(2), 192-199.
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43. Das et al., 2002. Significance of Stable Isotopes in paleoclimatology and Paleoceanography – A Review. Indian Journal of Geochemistry, 17, 13-23.

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- Bhaumik A. K., and Gupta, A. K., (2011). Occurrence, clues, and importance of natural gas hydrates: Evidence from NW Atlantic. In New Paradigms of Exploration and Sustainable Mineral Development: Vision 2050 (Eds. Varma, O. P., Sarkar, B. C., Varma, A. K., Mukherjee, M. K., Singh, S.). 17th Convention of Indian Geological Congress and International Conference, ISM, Dhanbad, pp. 493-506.
- 2. Bhaumik, A. K. and Gupta, A. K. (2011). Biotic evidence of methane seepage in gas hydrate-rich marine settings. World Petrocoal Congress, New Delhi, pp. 1-14.
- Bhaumik, A. K. and Gupta, A. K. (2010). Foraminiferal (Protozoan) signatures for gas hydrate exploration: A case study from NW Atlantic. *In* Geological and Technological Facets of CBM, Shale Gas, Energy Resources and CO₂ Sequestration (Eds. Varma, A. K., Dubey, R. K., Sarkar, B. C. and Saxena, V. K.), Allied Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, pp.116-125.

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- Chaudhuri et al., 2023. Influence of Paleoclimate and Paleodepositional Environment on Organism's flourishing: A Case Study on the Cenozoic Sediments From the Kachchh Region, Western India. Abstract ID: 14581, Session 8d: (Bio)chemical sediments as geochemical archives through deep time Nutrient availability and the co-evolution of Earth's oceans, atmosphere, continents, and life. Goldschmidt Conference 2023.
- Ghosh et al., 2021. Signature of high productivity during Tortonian: evidence from biosiliceous microfossils from northeast Indian Ocean. Online International NECLIME conference on "Neogene Climate Evolution and Biotic Response(S) in South Asia, Organised by BSIP, Lucknow, 7-9 September 2021.
- 4. Dey et al., 2021. Impact of Radiolarians on Neil Island of Andaman and Nicobar Basin, Northeast Indian Ocean, TMS Annual Conference 2021, Prague on 18th -19th November, 2021, Czech Republic.
- 5. Dey et al., 2021. WADE ratio of radiolarians: A tool for interpretation on the palaeoecology of Neogene sediments from Andaman and Nicobar Basin, Online International NECLIME conference on "Neogene Climate Evolution and Biotic Response(s) in South Asia", 7-9 September, 2021, organized by Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeosciences, Lucknow (Oral Presentation).
- Dey et al., 2019. Late Pliocene to early Pliestocene Planktonic foraminifera from Northern Indian Ocean (Andaman and Nicobar Islands): Interpretation on Glaciations Episode, Upwelling Cold Current and Palaeoecology. XXVII Indian colloquium on "Micropaleontology and Stratigraphy" BHU, Varanasi, U.P., 4th – 6th November, 2019, pp. 210 (Poster Presentation).
- Srivastava et al., 2018. Characterization of Black shales of Kachchh Basin and its hydrocarbon generation potentiality. In: Emerging Trends in Geophysical Research for Make-In-India, organized by the Department of Applied Geophysics, IIT(ISM) Dhanbad, 9-10 March 2018.
- Bhaumik, A. K., 2018. 'Microfossils in gas hydrate exploration'. Emerging Trends in Geophysical Research for Make in India, Department of Applied Geophysics, Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad, India, March 9-11, 2018, pp. 63-64.
- 9. Singh et al., 2018. Paleoclimate variability in the NW Himalaya over the past three millennia. EGU General Assembly 2018, v20, pp. 161.
- Mohanty, S., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2017. Bay of Bengal oceanographic changes during the last 300 years related to monsoonal variation. Abstract Book of 1st International Congress on Earth Sciences, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam, held during 14-18 Nov, 2017, PP. 46-47.

- 11. Chaudhuri, et al., 2017. Landsat satellite imagery: A new informative source in the palaeontological study: Case study of Mahanadi Basin, Odisha, south eastern India. Abstract Book of 1st International Congress on Earth Sciences, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam, held during 14-18 Nov, 2017, PP. 111.
- Srivastava, H., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2017. The Eocene depositional history and stratigraphy of Kutch Basin, India: Nannofossils and foraminiferal evidences. Abstract Book of 1st International Congress on Earth Sciences, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam, held during 14-18 Nov, 2017, PP. 54.
- Srivastava, H., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2017. Depositional environment of sedimentary sequences in Matanomadh area, western Kutch: Foraminiferal evidences. Abstract volume of ICMS XXVI, Department of Geology, University of Madras, Chennai, 17th to 19th August, 2017, pp. 87-88.
- Chowdhury, S., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2017. Paleoceanographic changes of Bay of Bengal during the Holocene. Abstract volume of ICMS XXVI, Department of Geology, University of Madras, Chennai, pp. 26-27.
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- Bhaumik, A. K., and Ray, S., 2017. Benthic foraminifera and its stable isotopes: indicator for development of oxygen minimum zones along the hydrocarbon rich Peru Offshore or methane release? Abstract volume of GeoCon2017, Application of Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) in Geosciences, Department of Geology, University of Calcutta, 27-28, May, 2017.
- 17. Srivastava, H., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2016. Fluvial and marine intertrappeans of Anjar: Foraminiferal evidences. Abstract Volume of Seminar on developments in geosciences in the past decades-Emerging trends for the future and impact on society and 58th AGM of the Geological Society of India. 21-23rd October, 2016, Department of Geology and Geophysics, IIT, Kharagpur, pp. 430.
- Srivastava, H., and Bhaumik, A. K., 2016. Fluvial and marine intertrappeans of Anjar: Foraminiferal evidences. Abstract Volume of Seminar on developments in geosciences in the past decades-Emerging trends for the future and impact on society and 58th AGM of the Geological Society of India. 21-23rd October, 2016, Department of Geology and Geophysics, IIT, Kharagpur, pp. 430.
- Bhaumik, A. K., and Ray, S., 2016. Oxygen Minimum Zone formation and basin evolution along the Offshore Peru: Benthic foraminiferal and isotopic evidences. Abstract Volume of Seminar on developments in geosciences in the past decades-Emerging trends for the future and impact on society and 58th AGM of the Geological Society of India. 21-23rd October, 2016, Department of Geology and Geophysics, IIT, Kharagpur, pp. 89.
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- 23. Bhaumik et al., 2013. Distribution of benthic foraminifera at gas hydrate rich zone in Krishna-Godavari Basin. 18th Convention of Indian Geological Congress and International Symposium on Minerals and Mining in India-The way forward, inclusive of cooperative mineral-based industries in SAARC countries. Organized jointly with Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology, Bhopal, April 27-29, 2013, Pre Convention Volume, pp-45.
- 24. Bhaumik A. K., and Gupta, A. K., 2011. Occurrence, clues and importance of natural gas hydrates: Evidence from NW Atlantic. In New Paradigms of Exploration and Sustainable Mineral Development: Vision 2050 (Eds. Varma, O. P., Sarkar, B. C., Varma, A. K., Mukherjee, M. K., Singh, S.). 17th Convention of Indian Geological congress and International Conference, ISM, Dhanbad, pp. 493-506.

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- Bhaumik, A. K., and Gupta, A. K., 2007. Use of Benthic foraminifera as proxy for gas hydrate accumulation and its destabilization: Observations from Blake Ridge. Abstract volume of XXI Indian Colloquium on Micropalaeontology & Stratigraphy, Pp-17.
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- Bhaumik, A. K. and Gupta, A. K., 2004. Origin of gas hydrates at ODP Site 994, Hole C, Leg 164, Blake Ridge: Evidence from benthic foraminiferal and geochemical data. ICP VIII Program and Abstracts, Pp-79.
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WORKSHOP & TRAINING

Arranged:

- Student awareness program from 22nd to 28th February 2022 in IIT(ISM) under the STUTI project, Funded by DST for the celebration of Azadi Ki Amrit Mahotsav.
- "Uses of Sophisticated Instruments in Earth Sciences" under the banner of the Synergistic Training Program Utilizing the Scientific & Technological Infrastructure (STUTI), DST, Govt. of India from 25^{th to} 31st March 2022 in IIT(ISM)
- "Frontiers of Earth Science" under the banner of the Synergistic Training Program Utilizing the Scientific & Technological Infrastructure (STUTI), DST, Govt. of India during 12^{th to} 18th July 2022 in In Jadavpur University in association with Prof. Subir Sarkar, Geological Sciences, Jadavpur University.

Attended:

- GeoCon2017, Application of Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) in Geosciences, Department of Geology, University of Calcutta, 27-28, May, 2017.
- 4th Proficiency course on "Modern practices in petroleum exploration" arranged by Petrotech in association with ONGC at KDMIPE, Dehradun. 22nd-27th September 2008.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Member, Establishing ONGC Center in IIT(ISM)
- Head, CRF since 16.8.2022 to to-date

- Coordinator, CRF from 01.4. 2020 to 15.8.2022
- DPGC Chairman from 15.10.2020
- NBA SAR Chairman 2019-20
- Convener Concetto 2018
- Member, House Allotment Committee
- Member CIIE, ISM
- Treasurer 6th Indian Mineral Congress (IMC 2014)
- Treasurer Basant 2014
- Treasurer Concetto, 2013
- Treasurer for 5th Indian Mineral Congress (IMC 2013)
- Secretary, ISM Goal Setting Committee from February 2012 to 2014
- Faculty-in-Charge, Students placements during 2011-12
- Member, Basant committee, 2012
- Member, Campus Beautification Committee
- Faculty advisor of SC/ST students of the Department since 2011-12
- Secretary, Departmental Advisory Committee from 06.10.2010 to 2015
- M. Tech Petroleum Course Coordinator during 2008-2010 and 2012-2014
- Faculty-in-charge, Geological Museum from April 2008 to 2015
- Faculty advisor 3-year M. Sc. Tech during 2008-09 and 2016-21
- Faculty-in-Charge, Departmental Website Since March 2008

LABORATORY/FACILITIES DEVELOPMENTS:

- Developed FESEM with EDS, EBSD, CL, and STEM facilities in CRF
- Developed grain size analysis facility procuring particle size analyzer in CRF
- Developed grain size analysis facility (Sieve shaker) using Institutional fund
- Developed micropaleontology laboratory and sample preparation unit in the Department of Applied Geology
- Developed nanoplankton study laboratory with imaging facility funded by MoES
- Developed sample grinding facility using institute fund
- Developing TOC, IT, TN analysis facility (TOC Analyzer) funded by DST FIST II
- Developing FESEM and EDS facility (another one) in CRF

PERSONAL DETAILS

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- Languages: English (professional proficiency), Bengali (native proficiency), Hindi,
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- Marital Status: Married