

Annual Conference of 2009 Allahabad

The 37th Annual Conference was held, in conjunction with the 43rd Annual Conference of the Indian Archaeological Society and 33rd Annual Conference of the Indian History and Culture Society between 14th to 17th November, 2009 at Allahabad. This conference was organized by the Department of Ancient History, Culture & Archaeology, University of Allahabad, Allahabad. Nearly 150 life members of the Society participated in the conference.

Inaugural Function

The inaugural function of the joint Annual Conference of the three Societies was held at 11:00 am, on 14th November, 2009. Dr. Rajan Harshe, the Vice-Chancellor of the University inaugurated the event. Prof. B.B. Lal, one of the senior most life member of the Society, graced the occasion as the chief guest of the function. Prof. G.K. Rai, the local organizing secretary welcomed all the delegates. Several research papers were presented during the sessions of the ISPQS.





Presidential Address

The Presidential Address of the Society was delivered by Professor Vidula Jaiswal of the Banaras Hindu University. The title of the address was 'Status of Archaeology of the Middle Ganga Valley: Stone and Early Iron Age Cultures' and it has been published in Volume XXXV (1).

Professor H. D. Sankalia Memorial Lecture

The Eighth Professor H.D. Sankalia Memorial Lecture was to be delivered by Prof. V.N. Misra, however, he could not attend the conference. The abstract of his lecture was circulated, and the full text would be published in the Journal.



The Academic Sessions

The academic sessions of the conference were held on the 15th, 16th and 17th November 2010 and the following papers were presented:

Kumar Akhilesh and Shanti Pappu: New Perspectives on the Lithic Technology and Chronology of Prehistoric Sites in Tamilnadu

Shanti Pappu: Recent Research on the life of Robert Bruce Foote

Pradeep K. Behera, P. Sinha and A. Nayak: Barpadar: A Late Acheulean Site in the Bargarh Upland, Orissa

Sheila Mishra: Rethinking of Periodization of Lower Palaeolithic

Giriraj Kumar: Lower Palaeolithic petroglyphs obtained from the excavations at Daraki-Chattan in India from 2002 to 2006

Vidwan Singh Soni and Anujot Singh Soni: Recent Discoveries in Indian Sub-Himalayas: Call for a re-interpretation of the Soanian

Dilbur Bhengra: Neolithic Culture of North-East India with special reference to Sikkim and Mizoram States

S.G. Deo, Savita Ghate and S.N. Rajguru: Holocene Beach-Dune Complex Rock (Karal) in Coastal Maharashtra: Significance for understanding cultural Ecology

Rama Kant: Evidence of Subsistence pattern in the Mesolithic Culture of Vindhya

Anup Ranjan Mishra: From Weapon to Epitome of Power : The Journey of Anthropomorph

J.N. Pal: Recent Researches on the Stone Age Cultures of the Middle Son Valley and Future Plan of Research

Tilok Thakuria, P.J. Cherian, R.K. Mohanty and V. Selvakumar: Craft, interactions and marketing assessment of stone bead manufacturing craft at Pattanam, Kerala, India

V.D. Mishra, J.N. Pal and M.C. Gupta: The Origin and Chronology of the Chalcolithic Culture of the Vindhya and the Ganga Plain

C.V. Sharada and P.P. Joglekar: Faunal Remains from Hadina, Rohtak, District- Haryana

Pankaj Goyal and P.P. Joglekar: Faunal Remains from Jaidak (Pithad), A Sorath Harappan site in Gujarat

Karuna Shankar Shukla: Decoding the Indus-Saraswati Script – A New Approach

Deepshikha Srivastava: Ecological conditions around the archaeological sites of Upper Ganga plain during Proto historic period - A study based on animal bones

K. Krishnan: Petrography of Ceramics from Bhirrana

P.P. Joglekar, P. Singh and A.K. Singh: Faunal Remains from Waina, Ballia district, Uttar Pradesh

Shitala Prasad Singh: Chalcolithic Cultures of the Purvi Uttar Pradesh: An Overview

Kantikumar Pawar: Discovery of an Iron smelting site of the Satvahana period in Solapur district of Maharashtra

D.P. Tewari : Further excavations at Sanchankot: 2008-09

Sunil Gupta, Ajay Kumar Mishra and Amol Kulkarni: Crisis on the Roads : Excavations at Bankat 2008

Tilok Thakuria: A Study of Bangles from Nevasa, Maharashtra

Tosabanta Padhan: Traditional Saura Art and Rock Art of Orissa, an Ethnoarchaeological Perspective

Arati Deshpande-Mukherjee: Medieval use of Oyster (*Crassostrea gryphoides*) and Chank (*Turbinella pyrum*) resources on the Indian West Coast: Evidence from Sanjan

Oishi Roy: Art during early Iran Age, Megalithic Culture of Peninsular India

Sujata Gautam and Yaswant Singh: Representation of Women in Rock Paintings of Central India

Ritu Jaiswal and P. Sinha: Burial Custom and Ethnic Group in Mesolithic India