

## Annual Conference of 2012 Vadodara

The joint annual conference of the Indian Archaeological Society (46<sup>th</sup> Conference), Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies (40<sup>th</sup> Conference) and Indian History and Culture Society (36<sup>th</sup> Conference) was successfully held at Vadodara from Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2012 to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2012. The conference was organised jointly by the Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Department of Archaeology & Ancient History and the Archaeological Survey of India.



The Joint Annual Conference of the three societies – IAS, ISPQS and IHCS was inaugurated on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2012, at the BBA Auditorium, Fatehgunj, Vadodara. Professor Nitin Vyas, Dean of Faculty of Arts welcomed the delegates. Prof. Krishnan, Head of the Department of Archaeology apprised the delegates about the department's activities and plan of the conference. The presidential address was delivered by Professor Yogesh Singh, Vice-Chancellor of the M.S. University of Baroda. During this function the department felicitated Prof. S.C. Malik, Shri K.N. Dikshit, Dr. P.K. Thomas and Prof. M.D. Kajale for their invaluable contributions to Indian archaeology. S. Pratapchandran proposed the vote of thanks.



The academic sessions of the conference were held on the 22-24, November 2012 in parallel sessions where following papers were presented:

Abhayan G.S., Jayshree Mungur and P.P. Joglekar	A faunal study on the osteological remains from Kottappuram excavation, Kerala
Balvally, Ritvik Gautam	Buddhist missionary work in ancient India
Bandey, Aijaz	Buddhist Cultural Personality of Kashmir
Bansali, Ketan	Cultural Diversity observed in Aryan Culture and Religion
Barbina, R.	Dress of the Meiteis in Manipur: An ethno-archaeological approach
Basak, B.	Excavation at the microlithic site of Mahadebbera, Purulia district, West Bengal: A multi-disciplinary approach
Bedekar, Gauri	Role of archaeological evidence in understanding human-animal interaction in ancient India
Behera, P.K., B. Chatterjee, M. Maitra, Neena Thakur, S. Mendaly & P.K. Chattopadhyaya	Investigation into the microlithic industries with heavy-duty tool component in Odisha: recent observations on their spatial contexts
Bhat, Anagha	Relevance of the 'past' in present school education: A preliminary study of understanding students' attitude towards archaeology
Bhatt. S.K.	Numismatic Significance of Ashok's Pangoraria Inscription
Bind, Kamla Ram and Prabhakar Upadhyay	<i>Deokali (Janpad-Ghazipur, UP) se prapt kushan kaling puravasesh:Mrin Murtiyan ke visesh sandarbh me</i>
Biswas, U.G.	Rock art and living tribal art traditions in India: Some observations
Chakraborty, P. and Vijay Sathe	Physiogamy and rock art: A case study of bovids from prehistoric rock art of India
Chandra Shekhar and Manoj Kumar	A study of N.B.P Pottery at excavated sites of Kashi region
Chandrasekhar Hotte	The Inter-relation between different rocks and temple architecture and art
Chatterjee, G.	Classification of chopper in view of the ecological adaptations of the Acheulian man
Chattopadhyay, Rupendra Kumar	An approach to the reconstruction of productive forces and working tools of Early Historic Period: Some observations on the recent finding from eastern Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal
Chauhan, P.R.	New multidisciplinary perspectives from the Paleolithic (re)excavation of Durkadi, Central Narmada Basin, Madhya Pradesh
Chauhan, P.R., Vijay Sathe and Saleem Shaikh	A short note on a new vertebrate fossil cluster at Amonda, Central Narmada Basin, M.P.
Chauhan, Parth and Shaik Saleem	Bandarjari: A new rock art site near Hoshangbad, Madhya Pradesh
Dalal, Kurush	Excavations at Sanjan and their contribution towards understanding the archaeology of the Indian Ocean littoral in the Early Medieval Period (8 <sup>th</sup> c A.D. to 12 <sup>th</sup> c A.D.)
Dandwate, Pramod,	Excavation at Shiur, an Early Historic site

Gurudas Shete and. Maya Patil	
Das, Nikhil, P.P. Joglekar, R.K. Mohanty, Midhun C Sekhar, Abhayan G.S, Cyriac Jose, Sivaprasad and Vinu Paul	Excavations in Marayoor Village, Idukki District Kerala (2011-2012): Preliminary Findings
Deo, S.G. and S.B. Ota	Large Flake Acheulian site at Tikoda, District Raisen, Madhya Pradesh
Deshpande-Mukherjee, Aarti; P.K.Thomas and Shubra Pramanik	Faunal remains from Hathab an Early Historic site in District Bhavnagar, Gujarat
Devi, P.B.	The megalithic rituals of the <i>Liangmai</i> tribe of Manipur
Dhage, V.	Transnationalism and the transformation of architecture of mill-lands in Mumbai
Dhania, D.S.	Ancient Indus History and Culture, Mehra Dynasty (8000-4300 BC)
Dubey, S.R., A.K. Singh, G.K. Lama and S.K. Singh	Recent archaeological excavations at Pakkākot (2011-12), District Ballia, Uttar Pradesh
Eswar, Rohita	Appreciating Hoysala sculptures through the media of <i>Natyashastra</i> a pan-Indian text and <i>Manasollasa</i> a regional treatise
Farswan, Y.S. and Jaibir Singh Pharswan	Effects of buried environment on the morphology and trace element profile of faunal remains: An experimental study
Gadekar, C.S. and P. Ajithprasad	Importance of Geometric Tools
Gandhi, Bina Deori	Traditional Herbal Poisoning Fishing Technique as practiced by the Golas of Arunachal Pradesh: an Ethnographic Study
Gupta, Komal and Preeti Panjawani	Unique water monument: stepwells of Gujarat
Gupta, M.C. and V. Rai	<i>Madhya Ganga ghati mein Nagrikanan ev Loha Upkaran</i>
Hadap, Shilpa	Tervan Terracotta Animal Figurines: A Preliminary Note
Jahan, Shanaz Husne	Archaeology of Bhitargarh: seeking rhizomatic network of the people beyond state-control and academic dominance
Jayadev, Padmaja	Shifting gender equations – A study based on iconography
Jhunjhunwala, B.	Exploring the possibility of Rama having traversed the Saraswati- Sindhu Civilization
Johar, Sugandha	A collaborative meta-database of South Asian archaeology and heritage–A new approach
Joshi Nailwal, Meenakshi	Archaeological Approach to Buddhism in Gujarat
Joshi, S.V. and V.S. Shinde	Brick structure from Mature Harappan phase discovered by electrical resistivity survey at Farmana, Haryana
Kaushik, V.	Institution of family in independent India
Kulkarni, Amol	Newly Discovered Sites of Early Historic Period in Kllan Tehsil, Osmanabad District, Maharashtra

Kumar, A.	Emerging archaeological evidences from the so called 'Dark Ages' in Kerala's history
Kumar, Manmohan	Excavations at Rohira
Kumar, Mukesh	<i>Majhwan Vikaskhand (Jilla – Mirzapur) se prapt nav sarvekshit purustal</i>
Kushwaha, D.P., Daljeet Singh and Bhuvan Vikrama	Painted Grey Ware settlements: Spatial analysis and interpretation of inter-site behaviour
Lohe, N.	The burial customs of the Chakhesang Naga tribe
Mallinathpur, Y.	Use of landscape in Neolithic culture: Hagari Basin
Mohanty, R.K. and Monica Smith	Sisupalgarh: Its place in the Early Historic Cities of Kalinga
Mushrif-Tripathy, V., A. Prasad, M. Madella, C. Lancelotte, Rajesh S.V., R. Bernardo, C. Gadekar, B.L. Andrea, J. Jose and Horge	Osteological analysis of the skeletal finding from Vaharvo Timho, Gujarat
Nair, Jayashree K.	Conceptualizing mortuary rituals in iron age Kerala
Nath, J., Bipin Chandra and R.N. Kumaran	A study of Harappan bead tradition of Khirsara (2009-2012)
Padhan, T.	Prehistoric Archaeology of Jonk River Valley in western Orissa and eastern Chattisgarh
Pal, J.N. and M.C. Gupta	Recent excavations at Hetapatti (Allahabad)
Pandey, Deepshika D.P. Tewari, P.P. Joglekar and J.M. Medhi	Faunal remains from Kampil excavations
Pandey, S.K. and D.P. Tewari	Ceramic art of Kampil, District Farrukhabad, Uttar Pradesh
Pandit, Suraj	Kanheri, religious change and material remains
Pandya, S. and M.V. Desai	A Neolithic handaxe from Dansura-1, District Sabarkantha, Gujarat
Pandya, Suman and A.K. Sharma	<i>Jayaa</i> type of step well at Saampaa Village, District Gandhinagar Gujarat
Parhiar, Seema	<i>Solan mein dev paramprayan</i>
Patel, A.B.	Copper processing and production: Inferences from Chalcolithic/Harappan Gujarat
Pawar, K.A	Excavation of non-sepulchral megaliths at Hirapur: 2011-2012
Priyadarshi, P.	From the steppe to the Indus region or the vice-a-versa?: A re-examination of the archaeological findings from Indus, Bactria-Margiana, Andronovo and Sintashta immediately before the Dark Age of Indian History, with the required inputs of information from other disciplines (literature, linguistics and genetics)
S.V. Rajesh, K.	Evaluating the Anarta Tradition in the Light of Material Culture from

Krishnan and P. Ajithprasad	Loteshwar and other Sites in Gujarat, Western India
Ramabrahmam, V.	Educhutlakota (Fort of Seven Circles) – A unique Megalithic complex in Chittoor District
Ramakant	Neolithic Technology and its Legacy in Vindhyan Region: A Reinterpretation
Ramteke, R.	International trade centre & capital town planning of Shreepur (Sirpur) in Dakshin Kosala (Chattisgarh)
Rao, K.P.	Deccan during the 'Dark Age'
Ray, Sikhasree, Monica L. Smith and R.K. Mohanty	Terracotta Ornaments from Sisupalgarh
Ruikar, T.N., Prabodh Shirvalkar and Y.S. Rawat	Antiquities from Harappan Site of Kotada Bhadli, Kachchh, Gujarat
Sahu, Prabash	Nemalipuri and Vadinapalli: The twin necropolises on Krishna
Samanta, M.	Archaeology of garbage and formation of urban landscape in India
Sant, Dilip Kumar	<i>Sai nadi parikshetra ke nav-anvekshat purastal</i>
Sarkar, A.	Chalcolithic Gilund through ceramic chronology
Sathe, V. and Prachi B. Joshi	Bone microstructure in archaeology: Meanings and applications
Sawant-Kulkarni, N.	Perspectives on Industrial Archaeology
Shah, Ajmal	Study of Kushana Period of Kashmir Valley: Some Observations
Sharma, Aprajita	Chinese porcelain: Archaeological finds in India and their significance
Sharma, S. and Pankaj Singh	Ancient pottery of Assam: A study
Singh, A.K	New Light on the Dark Age of the middle Ganga Plain
Singh, Arun Kumar	Some suggestion and identification towards quest for real <i>Jalandhar</i> (CHE-LAN-T`O-LO) kingdom mentioned by Huen-Tsiang
Singh, Devendra	Rinchen Zangpo's Monasteries of Sipti Valley
Singh, Himanshu	Some technical aspects of the Satavahana coins
Singh, Pushp Lata and Manoj Kumar	Explorations along the Harha River and its nearby areas in District West Champaran (Bihar)
Ravindra Nath Singh, Cameron Petrie and Jennifer Bates	Excavations at Masudpur: AMS dates and Rice
Srivastava, Chanchala	Emerging Trends of Palaeo-ethnobotanical Investigations at ancient site Kampil in middle Ganga Plain
Tewari, D.P. and Deepshika Pandey	The Apsidal Temples from Sanchankot
Thakuria, T., R. K. Mohanty and Shantanu A. Vaidya	Reverend Stephen Hislop and antiquity of archaeological investigation in Maharashtra
Tiwari, R.	<i>Vanpati bajarwadi sanskruti</i>
Tribedy, Elora	Did all birds loose colours' at Buddha's feet: An understanding of

	demography through early Buddhist art
Tripathi ,Vibha	Dark Age in Archaeology of the Ganga Plain
Trivedi, P.A.	The grammar of art: Interpreting the material culture of Pre-Historic India
Vaidya, Shantanu A. and Pankaj Goyal	Ritual aspect of Animals in Human Burials from Megalithic culture of Peninsular India
Vrushab, Mahesh	Virakal tradition and its chronology in Hassan District, Karnataka