

Welcome to INC - IAH India

(Indian Chapter of International Association of Hydrogeologists)

International Association of Hydrogeologists (IAH) was established in 1956 to promote cooperation, to advance the science of hydrogeology worldwide and to facilitate the international exchange of information on groundwater.

IAH's membership includes about 4,000 members representing 135 countries. IAH has 43 country chapters, including the Indian National Committee (INC).

The Indian National Committee of IAH (INC-IAH) was established in 1984 and during its journey of the last 30 years sincere efforts have been made to enhance the activities and strengthen the INC-IAH. INC-IAH also provides a valuable forum for scientists and engineers working in the fields of hydrogeology and groundwater resource planning, management, and protection who have a broad interest in and an international perspective on groundwater resources and hydrogeological issues.

The current agenda of INC-IAH includes the following items:

1. Organise national seminar/conferences on current topics of national concern with the aim of interaction on topics such as sustainable development of groundwater in the country due to ongoing depletion of groundwater resources resulting from various factors like variability in rainfall and climate changes.
2. To communicate relevant recommendations/resolutions of the conferences to the decision makers in the government.
3. To commence publication of an Online journal of Geohydrology (on Biannual basis) by publishing academic research papers carrying findings of frontline research endeavours with the aim of dissemination amongst INC IAH members.
4. To organise a 'National Groundwater Lecture Series' on emerging groundwater issues, in major cities of India by eminent experts.

5. To institute suitable awards in the field of groundwater research for incentivisation of groundwater professionals by an impartial selection process.

5. To publish an eNewsletter of the INC IAH on regular basis(3 to 4 issues per year) with the objective of updating its members about forthcoming international/national conferences and meetings within and outside India and other groundwater related news.

The IAH (international organization) has the following major activities:

- Publish the Hydrogeology Journal (sent to members eight times per year), memoirs in the series International Contributions to Hydrogeology, a newsletter and other membership information.
- Promote international cooperation among hydrogeologists and those from other disciplines who have an interest in groundwater.
- Sponsor international meetings and symposia, including an annual Congress.
- Encourage the worldwide application of hydrogeological skills through educational and technological transfer programs.
- Cooperate with national and international scientific organizations that have interest in groundwater.

Please explore our site and feel free to **contact** any of the INC-IAH Executive if you have questions.