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*Announcement &
Call for Sub-Sessions*

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November 25-27, 2026

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under theme

AVANI

Advancing Vision by Analysis, Networking and Innovation

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We are pleased to invite you to the “Geo-Research Scholars Meet” , which will take place at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Dehradun, from November 25-27, 2026, under the theme **AVANI**.

Scientific Motive and Aims:

The theme **AVANI** (in Sanskrit): **Advancing Vision by Analysis, Networking and Innovation** aims to reflect a shared commitment to helping keep the Earth habitable. Studying the Earth, as one of the important elements that spans the field of geodynamics, tectonics, palaeontology, geochemistry, sedimentology, geobiology, palaeoclimate, geomorphology, geohydrology, seismology and other aspects, is paramount in shaping the Earth. And equally important is gaining knowledge from the field, the laboratory and/or from numerical simulation.

The National Geo-Research Scholars Meet (NGRSM), hosted by the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, has thrived for nearly a decade, fostering collaboration among early-career geoscientists and enabling them to provide a platform for sharing their latest research. This year, in 2026, following the concept “world is one family”-*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*, the Wadia Institute plans to explore its transition to “Global Geo-Research Scholars Meet –GGRSM ,” which will have a “hybrid” format, with both in-person (for Indian) and virtual (for Foreigner) participations, having the bigger objective of fostering fundamental geoscience research, as well as applied research that addresses the key societal and environmental challenges.

The meet typically follows a structured, multi-day format that combines plenary talks, technical sessions (oral/poster/e-poster), application workshops, and a one-day field excursion in the foothills of the Himalaya. The meet provides an avenue for international collaboration, high-quality scientific exchange, and publication in indexed journals. Submissions from all areas of the Geosciences are warmly welcomed.

We invite young researchers from all across academia to join us in this meeting. We also call the proposals for Sub-Sessions on the five broad Themes/Sessions:

- Solid Earth Dynamics
- Sedimentary archives and prehistoric life
- Environmental geology, geomorphology and hazard resilience
- Seismotectonics, subsurface imaging and crustal deformation
- Advanced analytical techniques and tools in geosciences

Call for Sub-Sessions

- **Proposal requirements:** Young Scientist/Young Faculty/Post.Doc Fellows are eligible to submit the Sub-Session proposals, which must include the following:
- **Sub-Session Title:** A concise title with ~50-word description of the proposed sub-session.



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- **Organiser(s):** Names, Specialisation, Affiliations, Contact information, and a maximum of 2 coordinators in one sub-session.
- **Abstract Format^{*}:** Plain text, ~250 words, should be unpublished work with novelty. Please ensure the Abstract's 1st author must be a PhD-enrolled student and/or Post-Doctoral Fellow.
**submission begins August 20, 2026*
- **List of committed submissions:** Title and list of authors; multiple submissions by the respective convener and by the same author are restricted.

Proposals should be submitted via online portal at: <https://www.ngrsm2026.in/> (link will be active soon)

Proposal Evaluation

All papers submitted to the sub-sessions will undergo a rigorous peer-review process, and may be reassigned between Sessions and Sub-Sessions. Acceptance of a proposal does not guarantee final inclusion in the program.

Important Dates

- Sub-Session Proposal Due Date: August 15, 2026
- Sub-Session Acceptance Date: August 20, 2026
- Abstract / Registration Open: August 21, 2026
- Abstract Submission Due Date: September 15, 2026
- Abstract Acceptance Due Date: September 30, 2026

Limited Funding Support

Restricted to the PhD-enrolled students only.

**A Best award will be given in each category*

Please email your inquiry related to the sub-session to ggrsm2026@wihg.res.in

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