51. Name of the Project : Cervical Neoplasia : Host Genetic Factor (Non-NE Project)

Principal Investigator : S. Sengupta Unit involved : Biochemistry

52. Name of the Project: HPV-infection and Cervical Cancer (NE Project)

Principal Investigator: C. Duttagupta
Unit involved: Biochemistry and Stat-Math

53. Name of the Project: Studies on Hepatoprotective Activity of Neem (Azadirachta indica) leaves

Project leader: R.R. Chattopadhyay Unit involved: Biometry Research

54. Name of the Project : Mathematical Ecology and Epidemiology

Principal Investigator: J. Chattopadhyay

Unit involved : Embryology

55. Name of the Project: A Study of Optimality in the Allocation of Public Amenities across Villages in

India

Principal Investigator: R. Somanathan and S. Athreya

Unit involved: Planning, Delhi

56. Name of the Project: Local Governance, Poverty and Local Forest Resources

Principal Investigator: S. Das Unit involved: Planning, Delhi

57. Name of the Project : India's Environment

Principal Investigator : E. Somanathan

Unit involved : Planning, Delhi

58. Name of the Project; Commodity Futures Markets and price Stabilization

Principal Investigator : B. Ramaswami Unit involved : Planning, Delhi

59. Name of the Project : Study of the Knowledge, Attitude and participation of Elected Panchayat

members in Health and Family Welfare Programmes in West Bengal

Project leader : S. Barman

Unit involved: Population Studies

60. Name of the Project: Determination of Risk Factors associated with Maternal Morbidity: An In-depth

Study in Calcutta Metropolitan Area Project leader: P. De

Unit involved: Population Studies

61. Name of the Project: Health Care Practices and HIV/AIDS Awareness Level among Sex Workers - A

Case Study in North 24 Parganas

Project leader: R. Deb Roy, S. Gupta and P. De

Unit involved: Population Studies

62. Name of the Project : Study of the results of H.S., CBSE and ICSE in West Bengal.

Project leaders : S. K. Mitra and R. Gupta. Unit involved : Psychology Research

63. Name of the Project : Economic Reform and Rural Development : A Study of Agricultural Labour in

Eastern India

Principal investigator ; V.K. Ramachandran Unit involved : Sociological Research

 Name of the Project: The Burden of Child Labour: Assessing the Impact of work on Child Nutrition and Development.

Principal investigator: M. Swaminathan Unit involved: Sociological Research

 Name of the Project: Nationalism, Modernity and the Indian Statistical Institute Principal investigator: U. Dasgupta

Unit involved: Sociological Research

 Name of the Project: Patterns of social relations: an exploratory social network analysis in two villages in Jharkhand.

Principal investigator: A. Chaudhuri Unit involved; Sociological Research

67. Name of the Project : Gender and Labour : a study of mica industries of Giridih

Principal investigator : M. Chattopadhyay Unit involved : Sociological Research

68. Name of the Project: Agrarian change in Southern Tamil Nadu 1977-2000

Principal investigator : V.K.Ramachandran Unit involved : Sociological Research

69. Name of the Project: The study of socio-economic impact of Total Literacy Campaign in a district of

Tripura

Principal investigator: A. Dasgupta Unit involved: Sociological Research

Completed Projects

Name of the Project: Social Mobility Index with Application in SC Populations in Districts in West

Project leader : A. Dewanji Unit involved : Applied Statistics

Name of the Project : Risk Analysis of a long-Term Agreement

Project leader: D. SenGupta
Unit involved: Applied Statistics

 Name of the Project: A study on Post Graduates in West Bengal Project leader: D.K. Chaturvedi

Unit involved: Applied Statistics, Economic Research and Psychology Research

 Name of the Project: Test. Response Comparison for Embedded Cores/System-on-a-chip (SoC). Principal investigator: B. B. Bhattacharya

Unit involved: Advanced Computing and Microelectronics

 Name of the Project: Multi-Mesh Architecture Phase - II Principal investigator: B. P. Sinha

Unit involved: Advanced Computing and Microelectronics

Name of the Project : Label Placement in Maps and Graphs

Principal investigator: S. Das
Unit involved: Advanced Computing and Microelectronics

7. Name of the Project : Floorplanning in Deep Submicron Integrated Circuits

Principal investigator: S. Sur-Kolay

Unit involved: Advanced Computing and Microelectronics

8. Name of the Project : Document Analysis

Principal investigator : U. Pal

Unit involved: Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

9. Name of the Project: Information Retrieval

Principal investigator : M. Mitra

Unit involved : Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

10. Name of the Project: Methodology Development.

Principal investigator: B.B. Chaudhuri.

Unit involved: Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

11. Name of the Project: Study of Geometric Data Analysis Using artificial neural networks.

Principal investigator: S. Pal

Unit involved : Electronics and Communication Sciences

12. Name of the Project : Genetic Algorithms for Classification: Algorithms and Theories

Principal investigators: S. Bandyopadhyay, C. A. Murthy and S. K. Pal

Unit involved: Machine Intelligence

13. Name of the Project: Talchir sedimentation in the Satoura Basin, central India

Project coordinator : C. Chakraborty Unit involved : Geological Studies

14. Name of the Project : Problems of Wave Propagation in Fluid

Principal investigator: B. N. Mandal

Unit involved: Physics and Applied Mathematics

15. Name of the Project: Influence of bed roughness in suspension grain size distributions

Principal investigator : B. S. Mazumder

Co - investigator : J. K. Ghosh

Unit involved: Physics and Applied Mathematics and Stat-Mat

 Name of the Project: Health of mother and Child Principal investigator: P. Bharati

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human genetics

17. Name of the Project: Chemical characterization & microbial, chemical and mechanical conversion of

lignocellulosic plant wastes and soil enzyme biology.

Principal investigator: S. Chanda Unit involved: Plant Chemistry

18. Name of the Project: Relationship between aquatic weed growth and water quality in ponds.

Principal investigator: A. Dewanji Unit involved: Plant Chemistry

19. Name of the Project: Economic problems of illiteracy

Project leaders: M. R. Gupta and D. Mukherjee

Unit involved: Economic Research

20. Name of the Project: Fresh look at the agricultural price statistics

Project leader: S. Mitra

Unit involved: Economic Research Unit

21. Name of the Project: Methods in Quantitative Linguistics and Cognitive Science

Project leader: A. Choudhry

Unit involved : Linguistic Research

 Name of the Project: Interference of L1 (Bangla) in the learning of L2 (English) An Item Response Theoretic Approach

Project leaders : A. Choudhry, S. Mitra and D. Bandyopadhyay Unit involved : Linguistic Research and Psychology Research

23. Name of the Project : Conservation of Linguistic Ecology in the Indian Plurilingual Milieu

Project leader ; D. Bandyopadhyay Unit involved ; Linguistic Research

24. Name of the Project : The Glottopolitics of Linguistic Subalternity (North East)

Project leader : D. Bandyopadhyay Unit involved : Linguistic Research

 Name of the Project: Democracy and Development Principal investigators: R. Somanathan and J. Dreze

Unit involved: Planning, Delhi

 Name of the Project: Power Sector Reforms: Learning from different State Initiatives Principal investigator: A. Sarma

Unit involved : Planning, Delhi

 Name of the Project: Undocumented migration from Bangladesh to West Bengal Project leaders: P. Datta, S. Sadhu, B.N. Bhattacharya and P.K. Majumdar Unit involved: Population Studies

28. Name of the Project : Health Problems in Kolkata Slums and means of its Financial management

Project leader: P. Pathak Unit involved: Population Studies

29. Name of the Project: The Success and the Failure of the Indian Population Control Programme in the

North-East Project leader: P. Pathak Unit involved: Population Studies

30. Name of the Project: Development of questionnaire for assessment of reading and writing motivation

of Boys and Girls of Grades III & IV Project leader: D. Dutta Roy Unit involved: Psychology Research

31. Name of the Project: Entrepreneurial Behaviour and Individualism-Collectivism

Project leader: A. Ghosh

Unit involved: Psychology Research

32. Name of the Project: A study on Socio-Psychological Aspects of Mental Retardation

Project leader : S. N. Banerjee Unit involved : Psychology Research

33. Name of the Project: Status of Application of Quantitative Techniques in Automobile Industries

Project Coordinator: B. Majumdar and S.S. Handa

Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Delhi

Externally Funded Projects

Ongoing Projects

Name of the Project: Banach algebra techniques and the geometry of Banach spaces.
 Principal Investigators: TSSRK Rao, P. Bandyopadhyay, and K Jarosz of SIUE

Units involved: Stat-Math, Bangalore and Kolkata

Funded by: Department of Science & Technology (DST) and NSF.

2. Name of the Project: Studies in geometry of Banach spaces

Principal Investigators: TSSRK Rao, P. Bandyopadhyay, G. Godefroy and Daniel Li

Units involved: Stat-Math, Bangalore and Kolkata

Funded by : Indo-French Centre for the promotion of Advanced Research (IFCPAR)

Name of the Project : Developing Audit Sampling Tools II

Principal Investigators : T.J. Rao and A. Chaudhuri

Units involved: Stat-Math, Applied Statistics, Physics and Applied Mathematics and

Psychology Research

Funded by : Govt. of West Bengal.

4. Name of the Project: Non-Commutative Markov Processes and Operator Spaces

Project Coordinators : K. B. Sinha, and S. Attal

Units involved : Stat-Math

Funded by: Indo-French Centre for the promotion of Advanced Research (IFCPAR).

5. Name of the Project: Spatial Stochastic processes and random minimal spanning trees

Principal Investigator: R. Roy Unit involved: Stat-Math, Delhi

Funded by: Department of Science & Technology (DST)

6. Name of the Project: Software implementation of symmetric key block cipher system-

a technology demonstrator

Principal Investigator: R. L. Karandikar Unit involved: Stat-Math, Delhi Funded by: WESEE Indian Navy

7. Name of the Project: Tensor product systems of Hilbert Modules

Principal investigator: B.V. Rajarama Bhat Unit involved: Stat-Math, Bangalore

Funded by : Department of Science & Technology (DST), New Delhi

8. Name of the Project: Geometric Invariants for Quotients Modules

Principal investigator : G. Misra

Unit involved : Stat-Math, Bangalore

Funded by : Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi (DST) and NSF

9. Name of the Project: Cryptanalysis of complex LFSR based systems

Project leader : B. K. Roy Unit involved : Applied Statistics

Funded by: Defense Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)

10. Name of the Project: Visual cryptographic schemes

Project leader : B. K. Roy

Unit involved : Applied Statistics

Funded by : Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

11. Name of the Project: Design aid/tool for selecting & testing of connection polynomials

Project leader : B. K. Roy

Unit involved: Applied Statistics

Funded by: Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics (CAIR)

12. Name of the Project: Steganographic Schemes for Satellite Images for ISRO

Project leader : S. Maitra

Unit involved: Applied Statistics

Funded by : Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

13. Name of the Project: Development of an Indigenous Block Cipher Scheme for ISRO

Project leader : P. Sarkar

Unit involved: Applied Statistics

Funded by: Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

14. Name of the Project : Study about the Steel Sector (Medium and Small Scale) Units of West Bengal

Principal Investigator: Ajay Adhikari

Unit involved : Applied Statistics and Economic Research

Funded By: The West Bengal Financial Corporation (WBFC)

15. Name of the Project: New Techniques of Fast Image Compression based on Human Vision Systems

and Geometric Data Structures

Principal Investigators: B. B. Bhattacharya and M. K. Kundu

Co-Investigator : C. A. Murthy

Unit Involved: Advanced Computing & Microelectronics and Machine Intelligence

Funded by: Intel Corporation, USA

16. Name of the Project: Delay Fault Modeling and Test Generation for Power Supply Noise

Principal Investigator: S. Sur-Kolay
Co-Investigator: B. B. Bhattacharva

Unit Involved : Advanced Computing & Microelectronics

Funded by : Intel Corporation, USA

17. Name of the Project: Handwriting recognition for postal automation

Principal investigator: B. B. Chaudhuri

Unit involved: Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

Funded by : Indo-French Centre for the promotion of Advance research (IFCPAR)

18. Name of the Project: Resource Centre for Indian Language Technology Solutions - Bengali.

Principal investigator : B. B. Chaudhuri

Unit involved: Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

Funded by : Department of Information Technology, Goyt, of India.

19. Name of the Project: Sharing Capability in Localisation and Human Language Technologies

Principal investigator : B. B. Chaudhuri

Unit involved: Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition

Funded by : ASI@IT&C of the European Commission (EC)

20. Name of the Project: Knowledge-based Connectionist Data Mining System: Design and Applications

Project coordinators : S. K. Pal and S. Mitra

Units involved : Machine Intelligence

Funded by: - Council for Industrial & Scientific Research (CSIR)

21. Name of the Project : Soft Computing for Medical Image Segmentation and Classification

Project coordinator : S. Bandyopadhyay Unit involved : Machine Intelligence

Funded by - Indian National Science Academy (INSA)

22. Name of the Project : Web Mining

Project coordinator: S.K. Pal Units involved: Machine Intelligence

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Funded by : INSEAD, France

23. Name of the Project: Tectonic setting of alkaline intrusives: a case study for two such complexes

around Rairakhol and Koraput in the Orissa sector of the Eastern Ghats belt

Project Coordinator : S. Bhattacharya

Unit involved : Geological Studies Unit

Funded by : Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)

24. Name of the Project: Depositional Motifs of Satoura Gondwana Succession: their spatial and

temporal variability in relation to Basin Tectonics Principal Investigator: T. Chakraborty

Unit involved: Geological Studies Unit

Funded by : Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India.

25. Name of the Project: Turbulent and incipient suspensions due to bursting and their sedimentological

implications: An experimental study

Principal Investigator : B. S. Mazumder

Co-Investigators: J. K. Ghosh and Chandan Chakraborty

Unit involved: Physics & Applied Mathematics, Stat-Math and Geological Studies

Funded by: Department of Science and Technology (DST), New Delhi

26. Name of the Project: Water Waves Scattering by Obstacles & Surface Discontinuities

Project leader : B. N. Mandal

Unit involved: Physics & Applied Mathematics

Funded by : Department of Atomic Energy, Goyl, of India, Mumbai (National Board for Higher

Mathematics)

Name of the Project : Pattern-forming Instabilities & Interface Waves 27.

Project leader : K. Kumar

Unit involved: Physics & Applied Mathematics

Funded by : Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi

Name of the Project: Large Amplitude Ion Acoustic Double Layers in Multispecies Relativistic Plasma 28.

Project leader: R. K. Roychoudhury

Unit involved: Physics & Applied Mathematics

Funded by: Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi

Name of the Project: Algebraic Analysis of some Exactly Solvable Quantum Models

Project leader: P. Parashar

Unit involved: Physics & Applied Mathematics

Funded by : Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi

Name of the Project: Researchable constraints to the use of forest and tree resources by poor urban and

peri-urban households in developing countries

Principal Investigator: D.K. Bagchi

Units involved: Agricultural Science and Anthropology & Human Genetics

Funded by the : Department of Foreign International Development (DFID)

Name of the Project: Rice based cropping system studies in rainfed regions of eastern Indian plateau

Principal Investigator : D.K. Bagchi

Unit involved: Agricultural Science

Funded by: The International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Manila

Name of the Project: Work on Abiotic and Biotic Stress response in Jute Plant

Principal investigator: A. Goswami

Unit involved: Agricultural Science

Funded by: Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Govt. of India.

Name of the Project: Genetic predisposition to anti-tubercular drug-induced hepatotoxicity

Principal investigator: B. Rov

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics

Funded by : Indian Council of Medical Research

34. Name of the Project: Human Genomic Diversity and Continuity from West Asia to India

Principal Investigator : P. P. Majumdar

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics Funded by: Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India

 Name of the Project: A genetic study of the Totos and Bhutias Principal Investigator: P. P. Majumder

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics Funded by: Indian Council of Medical Research

36. Name of the Project : Genome Diversity Interlink Project

Principal Investigator: P. P. Majumder

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics
Funded by: Department of Biotechnology

37. Name of the project: Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms Project

Principal investigator: P. P. Majumder

Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics

Funded by: Department of Biotechnology

38. Name of the Project: Uterine Cervical Cancer Prevention: A low cost screening program

Principal Investigator: C. Duttagupta

Units involved: Biochemistry, Stat-Math and Sociological Research

Funded by: West Bengal DST

39. Name of the Project: Feasibility of screening for cervical cancer among Maria Gond tribal women

Principal Investigator: C. Duttagupta

Units involved: Biochemistry, and Stat-Math Funded by: Indian Council of Medical Research

40. Name of the Project : Environmental Management Capacity Building Assistance Project :

Environmental Economics Component Principal Investigator: D. Coondoo Unit involved: Economic Research Funded by: World Bank

41. Name of the Project : Solid Waste Management in Baranagar Municipal Area

Principal Investigator: S. Chakrabarti Unit involved: Economic Research

Funded by: World Bank

42. Name of the Project: External Evaluation of Total Literacy Campaign (TLC) in Kamrup District of Assam

Principal Investigator: P.K. Majumdar

Unit involved : Population Studies

Funded by : Zila Saksharata Samity, Kamrup, Assam/Dept, of Adult Education, National Literacy

Mission, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India

43. Name of the Project: Empirical study on the labour-related problems of tea gardens in West Bengal

Project Coordinator: A. Dasgupta Unit involved: Sociological Research

Funded by: Labour Department, Govt. of West Bengal

 Name of the Project: Study on Status of Women in West Bengal Project Coordinators: A. Dasgupta and S. Bandyopadhyay

Unit involved : Sociological Research

Funded by: State Women's Commission, Govt. of West Bengal

 Name of the Project: Poficiency Testing Programme on Egg Powder Testing Project coordinators: S.R. Moban, S.K. Neogy and A. Seth Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Delhi Funded by: NABL, Department of Science and Tehnology, Gov. of India

Name of the Project: Minimization of heat rate in power generation
 Project coordinator: B. Majumdar
 Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Delhi
 Funded by: NTPC, Dadri

Name of the Project: Statistical Applications
 Project Coordinators: S. Pal, A. K. Biswas and D. K. Manna
 Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai
 Funded by: Sterlite Industries Itd.

48. Name of the Project : Bought Leaf Operations

Project coordinator: D.K. Manna
Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai
Funded by: Parry Agro Industries Ltd.

Completed Projects

Name of the Project: Estimation of Denomination wise Age of Currency Notes in Circulation for Reserve Bank of India
 Project leader: A. K. Adhikari and P. Chaudhuri
 Units involved: Applied Statistics and Stat-Math
 Funded by: Reserve Bank of India

Name of the Project: A Study of Health and Nutritional Status in Relation to some biosocial functions
among the Kora and Mahali Tribes of West Bengal
Principal Investigator: R. Gupta

Unit involved: Anthropology and human Genetics Funded by: Indian Council of Medical Research

Funded by: Department of Science and Technology

Name of the Project: Glutathione S-transferase (GSTM1 and GSTT1) null mutations and incuences
of tobacco related oral cavity precancer and cancer in India
Principal Investigator: B. Roy
Unit involved: Anthropology and Human Genetics

Name of the Project: Health Sector Reforms: An Evaluation of Impact Upon Patterns of Utilisation among Vulnerable groups in three Indian States (1997-2000)
 Project Coordinators: S. Guha Roy and B.N. Bhattacharya

Unit involved : Population Studies Funded by : European Commission

Name of the Project : State Development Report

Project coordinators: V.K. Ramachandran and M. Swaminathan

Unit involved : Sociological Research

Funded by : Planning Comission, Govt. of India, New Delhi

Name of the Project: Physical Verification of Food grain in FCI Godowns
Project: Laders: B. Majumdar and S.S. Handa
Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Delhi

Funded by: Food Corporation of India

- Name of the Project: Development of Genetic Algorithm for path optimization in PCB manufacturing Project coordinators: S.R. Mohan, S.K. Neogy and A. Seth Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Delhi Funded by: R Systems International Limited, Noida
- Name of the Project: Implementation of Statistical Process Control Project coordinators: V. V. Iyer and S. Pal Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai Funded by: Unimech Industries Ltd.
- Name of the Project: Quality Improvement Projects
 Project coordinators: D. Sampangi Raman and D.K. Manna
 Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai
 Funded by: Rane (Madras) Ltd.
- Name of the Project: Implementation of Statistical Process Control Project coordinators: A.K. Biswas Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai Funded by: Jaihind Engineering
- Name of the Project: Application of Statistical Methods
 Project Leaders: A.K. Biswas and D.K. Manna
 Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research. Chennai
 Funded by: General Optics (Asia) Ltd.
- 12 Name of the Project: Computer Software Support and Training on Multiple Regression Analysis Project Leader: S. Pal Unit involved: Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research, Chennai Funded by: TAFE Ltd.

5. SYMPOSIA, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, LECTURES AND SEMINARS ORGANISED

Symposia and Conferences

Symposium on "Mathematical Programming, Game Theory and related Topics" was organised by SQC & OR Unit, Delhi in association with Stat-Math Unit during December 13-14, 2002.

"R.C. Bose Centenary Symposium on Discrete mathematics and Applications" was organised by Stat-Math Unit and Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata during december 20-23, 2002 at ISI, Kolkata.

Conference on "Models and Methods in Economics" was organised by Economic Research Unit, Kolkata during March 5-7, 2003 at 1S1, Kolkata.

Conference on "Effects of undocumented migration from Bangladesh to West Bengal" was organised by Population Studies Unit. Kolkata on January 10, 2003 at ISI, Kolkata.

Workshops and Training Programmes

Workshop on "Experimental Designs - Theory and Application" was organized by Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata during November 25-29, 2002 at ISI, Kolkata.

Workshop for North-East Region on "Sample Surveys Methodology Algorithm" was organized by Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata during October 26-31, 2002 at Manipur University, Imphal.

"R. C. Bose Centenary Workshop on Discrete Mathematics and Applications" was organized by Stat-Math Unit and Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata during December 15 - 19, 2002 at ISI, Kolkata.

International Bayesian Workshop was organised by Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata during January 6-8, 2003 at ISI, Kolkata.

Nurture Programme for the 1998 Indian National Mathematical Olympiad (INMO) batch was organised by Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore in June 2002 at Bangalore.

Instructional Workshop and International Conference on "Geometric Group Theory" was organized by Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore and Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahaii during December 2-21, 2002 at Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahaii.

Workshop on "Free Probability and Applications" was organised by Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore during February 3-14, 2003 at Bangalore.

North East Training Programme was organised by Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata during 2th and 20th September, 2002 at Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata.

Workshop on "e-Systems in Statistical Presentations" was organised by Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata during February 11-15, 2003 at State Council of Educational Research and Training, Aizawl.

A school on "Elementary Statistics and Computer Applications" was organised by Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata during March 24-29, 2003 at State Institute of Panchayat and Rural Development, Kalyani.

A short course for the North-East on "Pattern Recognition: Algorithms, Architectures and Applications" was organised by Advanced Computing & Microelectronics Unit, Computer Vision & Pattern Recognition Unit, Electronics & Communication Sciences Unit and Machine Intelligence Unit during January 13-17, 2003 at ISI, Kolkata.

Workshop on "Indian Language Spell-Checker Design" was organised by Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit, Kolkata during July 18-19, 2002 at ISI, Kolkata.

International Workshop on "Technology Development on Indian Language" was organised by Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit, Kolkata during March 24-26, 2003 at IS1, Kolkata.

CIMPA-UNESCO-INDIA School on "Soft Computing Approach to Pattern Recognition and Image Processing" was organised by Machine Intelligence Unit, Kolkata during December 2-13, 2002 at ISI, Kolkata.

Workshop on "Quantitative Analysis of North East Indian Economy" was organised by Economic Research Unit, Kolkata during February 24-March 01, 2003 at Gauhati University, Guwahati.

"Six Sigma Black Belt Training Programme" was organised by SQC & OR Unit, Hyderabad during June -October, 2002 at ISI, Hyderabad.

A Winter School on "Design of Experiments and Taguchi Methods" was organised by SQC & OR Unit, Delhi during December 9-27, 2002.

A four week Workshop on "Recent Advances in Operations Research" was organised by SQC & OR, Unit, Delhi during January 20, 2003 to February 14, 2003.

A two day workshop was organised to assess the perception of the industry regarding role and need of SDP and QMP programs of SQC & OR Division during March 13 and 14, 2003.

Lectures and Seminars

P. C. Mahalanobis Memorial Lectures

On the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the Indian Statistical Institute, it was decided to institute P. C. Mahalanobis Memorial Lecture Series to be delivered once in two years. Till now there were ten series of lectures delivered by eminent statisticians as given below. From the current year, it has been decided to have the lecture series every year. The lectures are delivered at the Kolkiata, Banealore and Delhi Centres of the Institute.

Series no.	<u>Year</u>	Lectures delivered by		
1.	1983	Professor S. Karlin, Stanford University		
2.	1985	Professor T. W. Anderson, Stanford University		
3.	1988	Sir David Cox, Imperial College of Science & Technology, UK		
4.	1992	Professor Peter G. Hall, Australian National University		
5.	1995	Professor A. P. Dawid, University College, London		
6.	1997	Professor J. Berger, Duke University		
7.	1999	Professor C.F.J. Wu, University of Michigan		
8.	2000	Professor Ildar Ibragimov, The Russian Academy of Sciences		
9.	2001	Professor Peter Mc Cullagh, University of Chicago.		

During the year under review, Professor Keith J. Worsley, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Mc Gill University, Montreal, Canada, delivered the P.C. Mahalanobis Memorial Lectures on the following topics:

- (a) The geometry of random image in astrophysics and brain mapping.
- (b) Detecting changes in brain shape, scale and connectivity via the geometry of random fields.
- (c) Recent advances in random field theory
- (d) The statistical analysis of fMRI data.

The other Lectures/ Seminars organised by the Institute and delivered by visiting scientists are listed below:

Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division

Stat-Math Unit. Kolkata

- Abhyankar, S. Shreeram, Purdue University, U.S.A. (7.12.2002): A survey of affine geometry.
- Abhyankar, S. Shreeram, Purdue University, U.S.A. (9.12.2002): Jacobian problem.
- Abhyankar, S, Shreeram, Purdue University, U.S.A. (10.12.2002 and 11.12.2002): Affine Geometry II and III.
- Abhyankar, S, Shreeram, Purdue University, U.S.A. (12.12.2002): Resolution of singularities in algebraic geometry: History, ancient and new results.
- Abhyankar, S, Shreeram, Purdue University, U.S.A. (13.12.2002): Constructive Galois Theory: Nice Equations for nice Groups.
- Averous Jean, Paul Sabatier University, France (10.02.2003): Quantile functions and spread for multivariate distributions.
- Banerjee, Moulinath, University of Michigan (17.6.2002): Monotone functions: nonstandard limit theory for the likelihood ratio statistic.
- Basak, K. Gopal, Bristol University, U.K. (23.09.2002): Asymptotic properties of estimates of coefficients of nonstationary processes.
- Bhattacharyva, Tirthankar, IISc, Bangalore (12.11.2002); Dilation of contractive tuples.
- Bhattacharjee, M. C., New Jersey Institute of Technology, U.S.A. (30.12.2002): The fine structure of the time to extension in branching processes.
- Babu, G. J., The Pennsylvania State University, U.S.A. (03.01.2003): Goodness-of-fit tests when parameters are estimated.
- Balslev, Erik, University of Aarhus, Denmark (02.01.2003): Perturbation of Laplacians on Riemann surfaces.
- Biswas, Indranil, School of Mathematics, TUFR (09.09.2002): Principal bundles with flat connection on a Riemann surface.
- Chatterjee, Snigdhansu, University Minnesota (30.09.2002): Parametric bootstrap confidence interval in small area estimation problems.
- Chakraborty, Biman, National University of Singapore (19.12.2002): On a measure of multivariate scatter.
- Pensky, Marianna, University College, London (11.11.2002): Some characterization of null sets in Banach spaces.
- Datta, B, IISc, Bangalore (13.6.2002): Hundred years of triangulations.
- Datta, B, IISc, Bangalore (15.6.2002): Equivelar polyhedral 2-manifolds with few vertices.
- Datta, Mahuya, Calcutta University (05.11.2002): Isometric C1 immersions for pairs of Riemannian Metric.
- DeBlasi, S. Francesco, University of Rome II (18.12.2002): Baire category theorems and Michael type selection theorems.

- Deshouillers, Jean-Marc, University of Bordeaux, France (14.02.2003): Some connections between probability and number theory.
- Ganguli, Bhaswati, IIM, Calcutta (07.10.2002): Feature significance in geostatistics.
- Ji Un Cig, Chungbuk National University, South Korea (29.01.2003); Quantum martingale representation with explicit integrands.
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Machine Intelligence Unit

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Anthropology and Human Genetics Unit

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Social Sciences Division

Economic Research Unit

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Linguistic Research Unit

Choudhry, A.: Linguistic complexity and the "Three language formula": language and education in India. World Yearbook of Education: Language Education, Euan Reid and Jill Bourne (eds.), Kogan Page, London, 227-238, 2003.

Population Studies Unit

Adak, D.K., Bhattacharya, B.N., Ghosh, R., Pal, M., Bharati, P. and Vasulu, T.S.: The tribes of Madhya Pradesh: A brief Ethnographic Note, Demography and Health Profile of the Tribal: A study of M.P., D.K.Adak, B.N. Bhattacharya, R. Ghosh, M.Pal, P.Bharati and T.S. Vasulu (eds.), Anmol Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 30-49, 2003.

Sociological Research Unit

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Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division

Chakraborty, A.K., Pitchumani, R. and Mondal, S.: Developing Marketing Strategy Using Survey Data, Satistics for Quality Improvement, 14-28, 2002, Indian Association for Productivity Quality and Reliability, in collaboration with Forum for Interdisciplinary Mathematics.

Part II. VISITING SCIENTISTS, HONOURS AND AWARDS, ASSIGNMENTS

8. VISITING SCIENTISTS

A number of distinguished scientists from abroad and India participated in the research, training and other scientific activities of the Institute during the year. Some of them came to the Institute on invitation and spent fairly long periods in the Institute to assist in the regular research and teaching programmes, while others came for short periods and gave lectures and seminars. Most of them were available for consultation by the faculty members of the Institute. Names of the visiting scientists are given below.

- 1. Abhyankar, S.S., Purdue University, U.S.A., December 7 13, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Acharya, B.D., DST, Government of India, December 24 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Acharya, Tinku, Intel Corp., USA, April 22, 2002, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit, Kolkata.
- Achuthan, N.R., Curtin University of Technology, Perth, Western Australia, December 2002 January 2003, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- Adhikari, S.D., Harish-Chandra Research Institute, March 18 April 4, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Banealore.
- Asundi, A.Y., Bangalore University, September 2002 to March 2003, Documentation Research and Training Centre, Bangalore.
- 7. Athreya, J., University of Chicago, July 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 8. Athreya, K.B., Iowa State University & Cornell University, May 30, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Averous, Jean, Laboratorie de Statistique et Probabilities, Universite Paul Sabatier, France, January March, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Bahadur, Bir, Kakatiya University, Warangal, March 25-28, 2003. Agricultural Science Unit. Kolkata.
- 11. Bahri, Abhas, Rutgers University, January 13, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore,
- Balakrishnan, Pulapre, Indian Institute of Management, Kozikode, March 22 April 1, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 13. Basak, Gopal K., University of Bristol, U.K., July 1 September 30, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Basu, S.K., Banaras Hindu University, May 27 June 5, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.
- Bhattacharya, Manish C., New Jersey Institute of Technology, U.S.A., November 7, 2002 April 30, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Bhattacharyya, Tirthankar, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, March 27, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Bhattacharya, Binay, Simon Fraser University, Canada, December 17 20, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- 18. Bhattacharyya, G., Documentation Research and Training Centre, Ban galore.

- Bing, Zheng, Shanghai Normal University, Sanghai, China, July 2001 June 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 20. Biswas, Indranil, T.I.F.R., Mumbai, August 13 September 15, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- 21. Borker V. S., TIFR, Mumbai, March 16 20, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi
- 22. Carter, Michael, University of Canterbury, October 16 November 30, 2002, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 23. Chakraborty, Partha Sarathi, August 1 October 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- 24. Chakraborty, Partha Sarathi, November 8, 2002 February, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 25. Chakraborty, Soubhik, T.M. Bhagalpur University, July 1 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Chakraborty, T., Institute of Agriculture, Visva Bharati, March 26, 2003, Agricultural Science Unit, Kolkata
- Chatterjee, Snigdhansu, University of Minnesota, USA, May 20 October 14, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- 28. Chatterjee, Kalyan, Penn State University, USA, July 2002, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Chii-Ruey, Hwang, Academia Sinica, Tapai, Taiwan, December 17 19, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata.
- 30. Cig, Ji, Un, Chungbuk National University, Korea, January February, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Cowling, M., University of New South Wales, Australia, December 23 24, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 32. Daniel, Benoit, Ecole Normale Superieure, Paris, August 16, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Das, S.K., Central Water & Power Research Station, Pune, July 25 26, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata
- 34. Das, Mausumi, Delhi School of Economics, January February, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Datta, Mahuya, Calcutta University, February 1, 2002 March 31, 2003, Stot-Math Unit, Kolkata and May 19 - June 19, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Deshouillers, Jean-Marc, Universite Victor, Segalen Bordeaux 2, February 16 21, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi
- 37. Dey, Rukmini, Harish-Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad, June 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Dhar, Deepak, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, November 10 16, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- Dhar, Subhankar, San Jose State University, USA, December 21, 2002 January 15, 2003, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- 40. Dharmadhikari, A. D., University of Pune, October 19 25, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi,
- Dobmeier, C., Freie University, Berlin, Germany, October 29 November 5, 2002, Geological Studies Unit. Kolkata.

- Dubey, Pradesp, University of Stony Brook, USA, August 01 December 15, 2002, Planning Unit. Delhi
- Folmer, Henk, Wageningen University. The Netherlands, January 25 February 01, 2003, Economic Research Unit, Kolkota.
- Fuwa, Nobu Huko, International Rice Research Institute, Philippines (International Organization), January 10 – 30, 2003, Agricultural Sciences Unit, Kolkata.
- 45. Gastesi, Pablo Ares, TIFR, Mumbai, January 30, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 46. Giacomoni, Jacques, Ceremath, Toulouse 1, December 16, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Gopinath, M.A., North Carolina Central University, Durham, USA, Documentation Research and Training Centre, Bangalore.
- 48. Gore, A.P., University of Pune, February 19, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore,
- Goswami, Debashish, October 21 28, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 50. Gouezel, Sebastien, Ecole Normale Superieure, Paris, August 16, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 51. Graczyk, P., Universite d' Angers, September 24 28, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Gupta, Abhik, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science, Assam University, March 26, 2003, Agricultural Science Unit, Kolkata.
- 53. Gupta, Poonam, International Monetary Fund, January 1 April 30, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Gupta, Bidyut, Southern Illinois University, USA, November 18, 2002 January 10, 2003, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- 55. Haldar, Sibsankar, November 21, 2002 July 31, 2003, Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata.
- Haravu, L.J., Trustee, Kesavan Institute of Information and Knowledge Management, Documentation Research and Training Centre, Bangalore,
- Hazra, S.B., University of Trier, Germany, September 16 18, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit. Kolkata.
- 58. Jarosz, K., Southern Illinois University, January 22 February 5, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 59. Jayrani, Cheeneebash, University of Mauritius, January 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Kam, Suan Pheng, International Rice Research Institute, Philippines (International Organization), January 24 – 26, 2003, Agricultural Sciences Unit. Kolkata.
- 61. Khaledi, Baha-Eldin, Razi University, Iran, March 6 April 15, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- Khaledi, Baha-Eldin, Razi University, Iran, December 31, 2002 January 15, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 63. Kolstad, Charles, University of California, USA, February 9 25, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 64. Koranyi, Adam, City University of New York, January 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.

- 65. Krishna, M.B., Freelance Ecologist, Bangalore, May 22, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Krishnan, T., Systat Software Asia Pacific Pvt. Ltd., December 1, 2001 November 30, 2002, Stat -Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Kulkarni, S.H., Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai, January 22 25, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Kumar, Ravinder, Davalbagh Educational Institute, Agra, June 1 30, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi,
- Kundu, Sukhamay, Louisiana State University, U.S.A., December 25, 2002 January 17, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Lahiri, Soumendra Nath, Iowa State University, U.S.A., July 24 August 20, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Lancaster, F.W., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Ill., USA, July 8 10, 2002, Documentation Research and Training Centre, Bangalore.
- Laskar, Renu, Clemson University, USA, May 20 21, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.
- Levai, Gezza, Institute of Nuclear Research, Academy of Science, Hungary, November 20 December 10, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata.
- Loday, Jean-Louis, Institut de Recherche Mathematique Avencee, Centre National de la Rechrche Scientifique, France, January 20 – 31, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Madhavan, C.E. Veni, IISc., Bangalore and DRDO, New Delhi, May 24, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Maeiima, Wataru, Osaka City University, Japan, February 8, 2003, Geological Studies Unit, Kolkara.
- Majumder, Subhashis, IIIT, Kolkata, February 26 March 31, 2003, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- Mandal, Mrinal, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, December, 27, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.
- Mare, David, University of Essex, February 20 25, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Mathew, Thomas, University of Maryland at Baltimore, USA, June 10 –16, 2002, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- Mishra, M. N., Institute of Mathematics & Applications, Bhubaneswar, August 12 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 82. Mitra, Manipushpak, University of Bonn, September 2002, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Mitra, Tulika, National University of Singapore, July 4, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- Mitra, Subhashis, Intel Corporation, USA & Stanford University, August 6, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.

- Mohanty, Sara, Scientist, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, March 2000 March 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 86. Mukherjee, Amiya, December 01, 2002 November 30, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Mukerjee, Rahul, Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata, Second week of January, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi and Aoril 1, 2002 – March 31, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Mukherjee, R.N., Burdwan University, August 15, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolketa
- 89. Muralidharan, K., Bhavnagar University, Gujrat, May 6 9, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- Murty, K.G., The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, U.S.A., Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- Murthy, Katta G., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA, September 25, 2002, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Unit, Hyderabad.
- Narang, Gitu, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, September 1 30, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata.
- 93. Narayanan, E.K., Harish-Chandra Research Institute, October 1 11, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 94. Nayak, Suresh, Chennai Mathematical Institute, November 12 15, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore,
- Negi, Atul, University of Hyderabad, May 1 31, 2002, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit, Kolkata.
- 96. Nitsure, Nitin, TIFR, Mumbai, August 8, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Olssen, Lena Ringstad, University of Tromsoe, Norway, November 2002 February 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- Pal, Tandra, R.E. College, Durgapur, April 1, 2002 March 31, 2003, Electronics and Communication Sciences Unit, Kolkata.
- 99. Pandey, Neeta, B.K.C. College, Kolkata, June 18, 2002 June 17, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata.
- 100. Parthasarathy, K.R., February 23 March 1, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore,
- Potters, Jos, A.M., University of Nijmegen, Netherlands, January 11 20, 2003, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- 102. Pradeep, C.R., Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, February 20, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Raghavachari, M., Decision Sciences & Engineering Systems, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, USA,
 December 2002 March 2003, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- 104. Raghunathan, M.S., TIFR, Mumbai, February 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 105. Rajan, B. Sundar, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, March 20, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 106. Ramanan, Kavita, Carnegie Mellon University, February 4 6, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- 107. Ramakrishnan, Radha, Anna University, January 6 10, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.

- 108. Ramakrishnan, S., University of Miami, August 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 109. Ramamoorthi, R.V., Michigan State University, December 15, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 110. Rao, S. Srinivasa, North Maharashtra University, June 20 29, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 111. Rao, Dattatreya, Nagarjuna University, February 3 March 31, 2003, Applied Statistics Unit, Kolkata.
- Roychoudhury, Abhik, National University of Singapore, July 4, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- Rudraia, N., Department of Mathematics, Bangalore, August 15, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata.
- 114. Saradha, N., TIFR, Mumbai, March 24 28, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Sarkhel, Juran Kumar, Vidyasagar University, Medinipur, Documentation Research and Training Centre, Bangalore.
- 116. Sastry, Pramathnath, University of Toronto, December 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 117. Schroeer, Stefan, Ruhr-Universitat, Germany, September 12, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Sen, Kunal, University of East Anglia, U.K., January 29 April 2, 2003, Economic Research Unit, Kolkota.
- Sen, Malay Kumar, North Bengal University, October 28 November 7, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.
- 120. Sengupta, J., TIFR, Mumbai, December 20 30, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 121. Sertel, Murat, Bogazici University, Istanbul, January 10 15, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 122. Seshadri, Harish, September 2002 to March 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Sharma, Tridib, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, April 23 May 4, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 124. Shukla, Ravindra, University of Allahabad, May June, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Singh, S.K., Pt. Ravishankar Sukla University, Raipur, October, 5 9, 2002, Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division.
- 126. Sinha, Kishore, Birsa Agricultural University, July 22 August 11, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Srimani, P.K., Clemson University, USA, June 28 July 12, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit. Kolkata.
- Sunder, V.S., Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, October 11, 2002, Stat-Math Unit. Bangalore.
- Swart, Jan, Perleberger Strabe 31, Germany, February 8, 2003 March, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- Thakur, Maneesh, Harish-Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad, May June, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangolore.

- Thangadurai, R., The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennal, September 11, 2002 March 10, 2003, Stat-Math Unit. Kolkata.
- Tripathi, Satish K., University of California, USA, December 30, 2002, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- Trivedi, Kishare, Duke University, USA, January 16, 2003, Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit, Kolkata.
- 134. Uma, B., North Maharashtra University, June 20 29, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- 135. Vaman, H.J., Bangalore University, July 16, 2001 May 31, 2002, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Varma, Mahendra, I.I.T., Kanpur, May 20 June 2, 2002, Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit, Kolkata.
- 137. Verma, D. N., TIFR, Mumbai, January 2 13, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Delhi.
- Wadhawan Anup, Economic Advisor, Prime Minister's Office, March April, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- Wilima Wadhwa, Society for Economic Research and Financial Analysis, August 1 December 15, 2002 and January 15 – March 31, 2003, Planning Unit, Delhi.
- 140. Wilkinson, Leland, Northwestern University, February 4, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore.
- Worslely, Keith J., McGill University, Canada, March 24 25, 2003, Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata, Bangalore and Delhi.

9. HONOURS AND AWARDS

Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division

Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata

Bose, Arup, was elected Fellow of The Institute of Mathematical Statistics, USA.

Chaudhuri, Probal, was elected Fellow of the Indian Academy of Sciences.

Goswami, Debashish, was elected to Junior Associateship of the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trieste, Italy.

Rao, T.J., acted as Chairman of Governing Council, NSSO.

Sinha, K.B., was elected Fellow of the Third World Academy of Sciences, Trieste, Italy.

Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore

Bhat, B.V. Rajarama, was awarded Swamajayanthi Fellowship of Department of Science & Technology, India.

Thangavelu, S. received the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).

Computer and Communication Sciences Division

Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit

Bhattacharya, B.B., received the 1999 VASVIK Award for Electronic Sciences and Technology.

Electronics and Communication Sciences Unit

Chanda, Bhabatosh, received Hari Om Ashram Perit Vikram Sarabhai Research Award of the Physical Research Laboratory and was elected a Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India.

Machine Intelligence Unit

Bandyopadhyay, S., received Young Engineers Award in Computer Science, 2002 of Indian National Academy of Engineering (INAE).

Kundu, M.K., and Murthy, C.A. received the 1999 VASVIK Industrial Research Award of Vividhlaxmi Audyogik Samshodhan Vikas Kendra, Mumbai in the field of Electronic Sciences and Technology.

Pal, S.K., was elected a Fellow of the Internationmal Association for Pattern Recognition (IAPR), USA.

Physics and Earth Sciences Division

Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit

Mazumder, B.S., and Ghoshal, K. received the G.M. Nawathe Award for best paper in HYDRO-2002 of the Indian Society for Hydraulics Research, Pune.

Biological Sciences Division

Anthropology and Human Genetics Unit

Kumar, Vikrant, received the Young Scientist Award of the Indian Society of Human Genetics for the year 2002

Majumder, Partha P., received the G.D. Birla Award for Scientific Research from the K.K. Birla Foundation for the year 2001.

Social Sciences Division

Psychology Research Unit

Dutta Roy, D., received "Best Poster Presentation Award" of the Indian Science Congress Association in 2003 and Professor T. E. Shammugam Award for excellence in research for 1999 and 2000 from the Madras Psychology Society.

Library, Documentation and Information Sciences Division

Library (Kolkata)

Basak, Nandadulal, received Tincori Datta Memorial Award/Medal for the best article published in "Granthagar" for 1407 B.S. from Bengal Library Association.

Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC)

Madalli, Devika P., was awarded Fulbright Fellowship by USEFI, New Delhi.

10. EDITORIAL AND OTHER SCIENTIFIC ASSIGNMENTS

The faculty of the Institute have undertaken various scientific and other assignments in different organizations including Central and State Governments, like: working as Editor of a journal, teaching in Summer/Winter Schools. Refresher and other courses organized by various organizations, organizing and chairing sessions in Conferences, evaluating theses and conducting viva-voce examinations, working in Selection Committees and as judges for academic competitions and awards, working as members of Executive Committees Committee Violenties or reprotect here.

EDITORIAL ASSIGNMENTS (IN INDIA AND ABROAD)

Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division

Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata

Bose, Arup, was Editor, Sankhya.

Chaudhuri, Probal, was Co-Editor, Sankhya, Associate Editor, Calcutta Statistical Association Bulletin and Editor, Texts and Readings in Mathematics Series.

Ruo, B.V., was Editor, Sankhya.

Rao, T.J., was Associate Editor, Survey Methodology, Statistics Canada, Calcutta Statistical Association Bulletin, Aligarh Journal of Statistics, Assam Statistical Review and Sarvekshana.

Sengupta, Debapriya, was Co-Editor, Sankhya.

Sinha, K.B., was Member, Editorial Boards of Infinite dimensional Analysis and Quantum Probability, Reviews in Mathematical Physics and Proceedings of the Indian Academy of Sciences (Math. Sciences).

Tripathi, T.P., was Member of the Editorial Board of Aligarh Journal of Statistics and the Advisory Editorial Board of Bhartiya Samajik Chintan published by Indian Academy of Social Sciences. Allahabad and Kolkata. XXVII. 2002.

Stat-Math Unit, Delhi

Bhatia, R., served on the editorial boards of the international journals Linear Algebra and Its Applications published from New York and SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications published from Philadelphia. He also served as Managing Editor of the series Texts and Readings in Mathematics and Culture and History of Mathematics published by Hindustan Book Agency, New Delhi.

Dey, Aloke, served as an Editor of Sankhya.

Kochar, S.C., served as Associate Editor of Journal of Statistical Planning & Inference and International Journal of Reliability & Applications.

Parthasarathy, T., served as Associate Editor in International Game Theory Review, published by World Scientific.

Roy, R., served on the editorial boards of Sankhya and the Journal of Applied Mathematics published from New York.

Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore

Delampady Mohan, was member of the Editorial Board of Resonance and Co-editor of Sankhya.

Misra, Gadadhar, was an Editor of Proc. Indian Acad. Sci. (Math Sci.) published from Bangalore.

Surv. B., acted as an Associate Editor of Resonance.

Applied Statistics Division

Applied Statistics Unit

SenGupta, Ashis, was Associate Editor of Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference, Stochastic Modelling and Applications and Journal of Indian Statistical Association.

Sengupta, Debasis was Technical Editor, Sankhya.

Computer and Communication Sciences Division

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit

Chaudhuri, B.B., was member of Program Committee for (i) 7th International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition (ICDAR-2003), U.K., 2003, (ii) Indian Conference on Computer Vision, Graphics and Image Processing, Ahmedabad, 2002, (iii) International Conference on Knowledge Based Computer Systems, Mumbai, 2002 and (iv) National Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition, Mandya, India, 2003.

- Mitra, M., was Member of Program Committee for (i) 12th International World Wide Web Conference, Budapest, 2003 and (ii) 26th Annual International ACM SIGIR Conference, Toronto, 2003.
- Pal, U., was Member of Program Committee for 7th International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition (ICDAR-2003), UK, 2003.
- Parui, S.K., was Member of Program Committee for Symposium on Frontiers of Research on Speech and Music, ITT, Kanpur, 2003.

Electronics and Communication Sciences Unit

Mukherjee, Dipti Prasad, acted as an Associate Editor of IEEE Signal Processing Letters since October, 2002.

Pal, N. R., continued to act as Associate Editor of (i) IEEE Trans. on Fuzzy Systems, IEEE, (ii) IEEE
Trans. on Syst. Man & Cybern. Part B, IEEE, (iii) International Journal of Approximate Reasoning, North-Holland, (iv) International Journal of Fuzzy Systems, CFSA, Taiwan. He was an area editor of Fuzzy Sets and Systems, North-Holland and a member of Steering Committee of Applied Soft Computing, Elsevier. He was also invited to join the editorial board of (i) International Journal of Knowledge Based Intelligent Engineering Systems and (ii) Journal of Intelligent and Fuzzy Systems.

Machine Intelligence Unit

Bandyopadhyay, S., was a Guest Editor of a special issues of (i) IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics, Part B, on "Distributed and Mobile Data Mining" and (ii) Institute of Electrical and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) Journal of Research, on "Evolutionary Computation in Engineering Sciences", vol.48, no.5.

Ghosh, A., was a Guest Editor of a special issue of Information Sciences on Soft computing data Mining published at Amsterdam.

Mitra S., was a Guest Editor of a special issue of Fuzzy Sets and Systems on "Web Mining using Soft Computing" published at Amsterdam.

Pal, S. K., was an Editor of IEEE Trans. Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI), IEEE CS Press. He was an Associate Editor of IEEE Trans. Neural Networks (TNN). IEEE Press, Pattern Recognition Letters, North-Holand, Int. J. Pattern Recognition and Artificial Intelligence, World Scientific, Information Sciences, North-Holand. He was a Guest Editor of a special issue on Rough Sets, Pattern Recognition and Data Mining for the journal Pattern Recognition Letters, North-Holand, special issue on Soft Case Based Reasoning for the journal Applied Intelligence. He was also a Member of Editorial Board of Neurocomputing, Elsevier, Uzzzy Sets and Systems, North-Holand, Fundamenta Informaticae, IOS Press, Int. J. Computational Intelligence and Applications, Imperial College Press, Int. Journal of Image and Graphics, World Scientific, He was an Executive Advisory Editor of IEEE Trans. on Fuzzy Systems, IEEE Press and Int. Journal of Approximate Reasoning, North-Holand.

Physics and Earth Sciences Division

Geological Studies Unit

Chaudhuri, A.K., was a Guest Editor of Asian Journal of Earth Sciences, Special Issue "Geology of the Pranhita-Godavari Valley, India", v. 26(6), 2003. He was Joint Editor of Special Issue of Gondwana Research on "Basin Development and Evolution in Relation to Rodinia, Gondwans and Asian Tectonics" and Special Issue, Proceedings of Indian Academy of Sciences, Prof. S.K. Chanda Memorial Volume.

Saha, D., was a Guest Editor of Asian Journal of Earth Sciences, Special Issue "Geology of the Pranhita-Godavari Valley, India" v. 26(6), 2003.

Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit

Mandal, B.N., served as a member of the editorial board in International Journal of Mathematics & Mathematical Sciences, USA and as Associate Editor for Advances in Fluid Mechanics Book Series, WIT Press, Southampton, U.K.

Biological Sciences Division

Anthropology and Human Genetics Unit

Reddy, B.M., has been a member of the Editorial Board of Human Biology, USA, Journal of Human Ecology, India and Indian Journal of Human genetics.

Social Sciences Division

Economic Research Unit

Chakravarty, Satya R. has been a Member of the Editorial Board of The Journal of Economic Inequality, The Netherlands.

Mazumdar, Krishna has been a Member of the Editorial Board of Social Indicators Research, The Netherlands.

Planning Unit, Delhi

Somanathan, E., has been an Associate Editor of the Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Elsevier Press.

Population Studies Unit

Bhattacharya, B.N., was an Editor of Demography India published by Indian Association for the Study of Population, New Delhi in 2002.

Pathak, Prasanta, was a Member of the Editorial Board of Indian Journal of Regional Science, New Delhi in 2002.

Library, Documentation and Information Sciences Division

Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC), Bangalore

Prasad, A.R.D., was Editor of 'Digital Libraries: Theory & Practice' published by Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, in 2003.

SCIENTIFIC ASSIGNMENTS/ACADEMIC VISITS ABROAD

Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division

Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata

Bandyopadhyay, Pradipta, visited Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville (SIUE), USA during May 12 – June 9, 2002 for research collaboration with Professor K. Jarosz. He attended the Fourth Conference on Function Spaces at SIUE held during May 14-19, 2002 and talked on "Weighted Chebyshev centres and intersection properties of balls in Banach spaces". He also visited University of Paris VI during February 8-28, 2003 for collaboration with Professor G. Godefroy and gave a seminar on "Structure of nested sequences of balls in Banach space" and University of Granada, Spain during March 1-6, 2003 and gave a seminar on "Unitaries in Banach space".

Bose, Smarajit, visited UC Santa Barbara, California, USA as a Visiting Associate Professor for teaching and research during September 2002 – June 2003.

Chaudhuri, Probal, visited National University of Singapore (June 2002), University of Wisconsia, Madison, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (August 2002) and University of Tromsoe, Norway (October 2002).

Goswarni, Alok, visited the Mathematics Department of Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, U.S.A. during August 2001 - August 2002.

Mukheriee, Goutam, participated in ICM 2002 at Beijing during August 20 - 28, 2002.

Purkayastha, Sumitra, was nominated by Director of National Brain Research Centre (NBRC) to attend "Indo-US Roundtable on Neurosciences" and "Annual Meeting of Society for Neurosciences", Orlando, Florida during November 1 – 7, 2002.

Rao, T.J., represented India in the Workshop on "Forging Partnerships in Statistical Training in Asia and the Pacific" held in Bangkok during November 25 - 26, 2002 and gave a lecture.

Sinha, B.K., visited USA, Canada and Finland for collaborative research and for attending Conference.

Sinha, K.B., attended the International Mathematical Union Alsembly meeting in Shanghai, China and Satellite meeting on Probability after ICM 2002 in Sino-German Institute, Beijing during August 17 - 18, 2002 and during August 29 - September 3, 2002. He also participated as alternate delegate from India and gave an invited talk.

Stat-Math Unit. Delhi

Athreya Siva, attended the meeting of Statistics Society of Canada in Toronto and York University in Toronto during May 26 – June 1, 2002. He visited the (i) University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada during June 1 – July 3, 2002, (ii) University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, U.S.A. during July 3 – July 7, 2002 and (iii) University of California, Berkeley, CA, U.S.A. during September 21 – October 3, 2002.

Bapat, R.B., visited Department of Mathematics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut during August 22, 2002 – May 21, 2003.

Bhatia, R., visited the Universities of Lisbon and Coimbra in Portugal for two weeks in April 2003 and gave invited talks. He was also Visiting Professor at Yale University, USA in June 2003.

Dewan, Isha, visited Imperial College, London and gave a talk "On testing dependence between time to failure and cause of failure" in July 2002 and also visited Department of Actuarial Science and Statistics, City University London and gave a semanar on "U-statistics for associated random variables."

Dey, Aloke, visited the Institute of Statistical Science, Academia Sinica, Taiwan to participate in and deliver an Invited talk at the "2002 Tajper International Statistical Symposium and Bermoulis Society EAPR Conference" during July 2002. He also visited the University of Hone Kone during July 2002.

Kochar, S.C., visited Concordia University, Canada during November 8–18 and Laval University, Canada during November 19 – December 17, 2002 to do collaborative work with Christian Genest and give seminars. He also eave a colloquium talk at Carleton University, Canada in December 2002.

Parthasarathy, T., visited Catholic University, Nijmegen during June – July 2002 and attended an International Conference in honour of Stef Tijs (65th Birthday celebration) at Tilburg University.

Rao, B.L.S.P., visited University of Siegen and Humboldt University, Berlin in Germany during June 23-29, 2002 and delivered lectures on statistical inference for stochastic partial differential equations, the delivered a series of fectures on inference for stochastic processes in the summer school at Torgnon organised by Bocconi University, Milan, Italy during June 29, 2002 – July 21, 2002. He visited China under the Scientific Exchange program between the Indian National Science Academy and the Chinese Academy of Sciences during October 14, 2002 – November 9, 2002. As a part of the exchange program he also visited Institute of Systems Science, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing during October 14 - 20, 2002 and Nanjing University and Nanjing University of Science and Technology, during October 20 - 27, 2002 and delivered lectures on Spatial data analysis, Nonparametric functional estimation and Introduction to inference for stochastic processes. He also visited University College of Science and Technology, Hefei, Anhui during October 27, 2002 - November 9, 2002 and delivered a lecture on the Theory of competing risks and a series of lectures on inference for stochastic processes.

Roy, Rahul, visited University Autonoma de Barcelona during October 2002.

Sarkar, Anish, visited the Instituto de Matematica e Estatistica (IME), the Universidade de Sao Paulo, Brazil and worked with Prof. P.A. Ferrari, Prof. L.R.G. Fontes, Prof. F. Machado and Prof. S. Popov during August - October, 2002.

Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore

Bhat, B.V. Rajarama, visited (i) St Fourier Institute, Grenoble (France) during October 1 – November 30, 2002 for research collaboration with Prof. Stephane Attal under Indo-French project, (ii) Brandenburg University, Cottibus (Germany) during December 1 – 19, 2002 for research collaboration with Prof. W. Freudenberg, M. Skeide & V. Liebscher under DST-DAAD project, (iii) Nottingham University, Nottingham (United Kingdom) during December 20, 2002 – March 30, 2003 for research collaboration with Prof. M. Lindsay as an INSA-Royal Society Exchange visitor and (iv) EMA University, Greifswald (Germany) during March 9 – 22, 2003 and gave a series of lectures at 'A school on Quantum Independent Increment Processes'.

Jaganathan, P., visited Yale University during December 2 -14, 2002 and gave lectures at Department of Economics.

Misra, G., visited the Texas A&M University, College Station during November 15 - 24, 2002 and gave a lecture.

Prajapat, Jyotshuna, visited Beijing, China during August 19 - 29, 2002 and attended the International Congress of Mathematicians 2002.

Raja, C.R.E., visited (i) Abdus Salam ICTP, Trieste, Italy as a Guest Scientist during May 12 – August 7, 2002, and (ii) Luiversity of Rome, Italy and gave a seminar talk on "strong convergence of averages of unitary representations" during July 2002.

Rao, T.S.S.R.K., visited University of Paris VI during April 2002 to carry out research relating to the Indo-French project.

Sastry, N.S.N., visited the University of Florida, during March 3 - 17, 2003 to speak at the conference "Finite Groups - 2002".

Thangavelu, S., visited the University of Tokyo during January 24 – 27, 2003 and attended a conference.

Applied Statistics Division

Applied Statistics Unit

Bose, Mausumi, visited the University of Waterloo, Canada for collaborative research work during May 2002.

Dewanji, Anup, visited the University of Ottowa, Canada for work on population risk assessment during April - May, 2002.

Maitra, Subhomoy, visited St. Johns, Newfoundland, Canada to attend the conference on Selected Areas in Cryptography SAC 2002 during August 15 - 16, 2002 and Versailles, France to attend the Workshop on Coding and Cryptography, WCC 2003 during, March 24 - 28, 2003.

SenGupta, Ashis, visited the (i) Northern Illinois University – DeKalb, Illinois, USA during June 14-16, 2002 as a Chairman. Organizer and invited Speaker in invited session on Directional Data Analysis, International Conference of IISA, (ii) Department of Statistics, University of Chicago, USA during June 17-19, 2002 and presented a seminar and had research discussions, (iii) Beckman Research Institute, California, USA during Juny and August 2002 and advised on statistical issues related to cancer research, (iv) Lorna Linda University, California, USA during July, 2002 for conducting joint research work on statistical issues related to optimal drug administration, (v) Iurviersity of California, Riverside, USA during June - August, 2002 for conducting academic activities including joint research work with faculty members of University of California.

Computer and Communication Sciences Division

Advanced Computing and Microelectronics Unit

Bhattacharya, Bhargab B., visited the Dept. of Computer Science, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, USA during April 2002 - May 2002 and served as a Program Committee member and as a Steering Committee member of the International Conference on VLSI Design, New Delhi, 2003.

Das, Nabanita, served as a Program Committee member of the International Workshop on Distributed Computing (IWDC 2002) held in Calcutta in December 2002.

Das, Sandip, visited the (i) University of Helsinki, Finland during June 2 - July 2, 2002, (ii) University of Turku, Finland during July 3-5, 2002 for attending Scandinavian Workshop on Algorithmic Theory and (iii) Bristol University, UK during July 6 - 15, 2002.

Nandy, Subhas C., visited the School of Information Sciences, Japan, Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Ishikawa, Japan during February 25, 2003 - March 10, 2003.

Sinha, Bhabani P., visited the Department of Computer Science, Clemson University, Clemson, USA during April 2002 - August 2002. He served as the Program Committee Co-chair of (i) the International Conference on Information Technology: Prospects and Challenges (TTPC 2003), held in Kathmandu, Nepal, (ii) the 9th International Conference on High Performance Computing (HtPC '02), Bangalore during December 18-20, 2002.

Sur-Kolay, Susmita, visited the (i) Intel Corporation, Austin, Texas, USA during August 2002 – January, 2003, (ii) Joan State University, Ames, USA during February 4-5, 2003, (iii) University of Kitakyushu, Japan during February 8-14, 2003 and (iv) Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan on February 14, 2003. She also served on the Programme Committee of the International Conference on VLSI Design, New Delhi, 2003.

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit

Chaudhuri, B.B., participated in "Langtech - 2002" International Conference on Language Technology during September 26 - 29, 2002 at Berlin, Germany.

Electronics and Communication Science Unit

Mukherjee, Dipti Prasad, visited Virginia Image and Video Analysis, Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, University of Virginia, USA to do research in video image processing during January - August, 2002 and attended 45th IEEE MidWest Symposium, Tulsa, USA to chair an invited session during August 4 - 7, 2002.

Pal, N. R., continued as (i) an independent theme chair of World Federation of Soft Computing and (ii) a Governing Board member of Asia Pacific Neural Network Assembly. He visited the National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan, Yonsei University, Korea and the Korean Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), Korea during October 16 - December 18, 2002 to conduct research and gave seminars. He also gave (i) the keynote speech at the Seventh Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Applications, Taiwan, 2002; (ii) the Conference lecture (inaugural lecture) at the 7th Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Applications, Taiwan, 2002; (iii) a talk in a One day workshop on Computational Intelligence on Structure Preserving Dimensionality Reduction and Feature Analysis, National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan.; (iv) a talk on online feature selection in neural and neuro-fuzzy frameworks at the Academica Sinica, Taiwan; (v) a seminar on decision trees for real valued data at the National Taiwan University, Taiwan, (vi) a seminar on computational intelligence for finding "universal systems" at the Yonsei University, Korea and the Korean Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST). He served as an area co-chair of the 10th International Conference on Neural Information Processing, ICONIP 2003 and on the Program Committees of (i) 2003 International Conference on Fuzzy Systems, St. Louis, USA, (ii) 2003 IEEE International Conference on Systems Man and Cybernetics, and (iii) the Seventh International Conference on Knowledge-Based Intelligent Information & Engineering Systems, KES'2003.

Machine Intelligence Unit

Ghosh, A., served as a member of the Program Committee of DaWak 2002, Aix-en-Province, France during September 4 - 6, 2002.

Mitra, S., visited the Computer Science Dept. of Aalborg University Exbjerg, Denmarkin during May-July 2002 and delivered several invited talks in Aalborg University and in a summer school on Data Mining at Exberg, Denmark. She also served as a member of the Program Committee of DaWaK 2002, Aix-en-Province, France during September 4 - 6, 2002.

Murthy, C. A., served as a member of the Program Committee DaWaK 2002 of Aix-en-Province, France during September 4 - 6, 2002.

Pal, S. K., served as a Visiting Professor of (i) La Trobe University, Melbourne, Monash University, Melbourne and Australian National University, Canbera, Australia during June 1, 2002 - July 13, 2002 and (ii) Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong; Hong Kong City University, Hong Kong during December 26, 2002 - January 20, 2003 and delivered lectures. He acted as a member of the Expert Committee of the Research Grant Council, Hong Kong during April, 2002 - March, 2003 and acted as a Member of Int. Program Committee/Advisory Committee of (i) IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Cybernetics, Beijing, China during November 4 - 5, 2002, (ii) the 2002 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM'02), Maebashi Terrsa, Maebashi City, Japan during December 9 - 12, 2002, (iii) Joint Third International Conference on Intelligent Technologies and Third VJ Fuzzy 2002 Symposium on Fuzzy Systems and Applications in Hanoi during December 3 - 5, 2002, (iv) 4th Int. Conf. on Recent Advances in Soft Computing (RASC 2002), Nottingham, United Kingdom during December 12 - 13. 2002, (v) 9th International Workshop on Rough Sets, Fuzzy Sets, Data Mining and Granular Computing (RSFD'2002), Malvern, PA, USA during October 14 - 16, 2002, (vi) 2rd International Conference on Hybrid Intelligent Systems (HIS'02), Santiago, Chile during December 1-4, 2002, (vii) Sixth International Conference on Knowledge-Based Intelligent Information & Engineering Systems (KES'2002), Italy during September 16 -18, 2002 and (viii) 7th Online World Conference on Soft Computing in Industrial Applications (WSC7'2002), Granada, Spain during September 23 - October 4, 2002.

Physics and Earth Sciences Division

Geological Studies Unit

Chaudhuri, A.K., visited the Department of Geology, Rand Afrikaan University, Johannesburg, South Africa during July 3 – September 17, 2002 for attending the 16th International Sedimentological Congress and for collaborative research on Archan Poneola Supergroup.

Saha, Dilip was elected as a member of the Steering Committee of the International Association of Gondwana Research, Japan for 2002 - 2004.

Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit

Das, P.K., visited the Volterra Centre, Rome, Italy for academic collaboration and research.

Roy, P., visited the University of Valladolid, Spain and University of Tamkang, Taiwan for academic collaboration and research.

Biological Sciences Division

Agricultural Sciences Unit

Ghose, M., visited the Dhaka University and gave a seminar talk and visited Bangladesh Sundarbans during April 17 - 26, 2002.

Anthropology and Human Genetics Unit

Majumder, Partha P., visited Paris during April and July, 2002, Montreal during November 26 – 28, 2002 and Monte-Carlo during February 27 – March 2, 2003 in connection with work on a committee of the UNESCO, on which he has been serving as as Expert Member.

Mukhopadhyay, Susmita, visited Stockholm, Sweden and presented a paper "Women and Work in Dual-Earner Families: An Indian Experience" in the Third International Congress on Women, Work & Health during June 2 - 5, 2002.

Biochemistry Unit

Duttagupta, C., was a Visiting Assistant Professor of Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, USA during July 2002 - June 2003.

Embryology Unit

Chattopadhyay, Joydev, visited the Institute of Research and Development (IRD), Pairs, France under an IRD grant during June 3 - August 1, 2002 to work on ecological and eco-epidemiological system with Professor O. Arino. He was invited to deliver a talk on "Recent trends on eco-epidemiological systems" in the International Conference on Applied Mathematics and Mathematical Physics during January 6 - 9, 2003 at the Department of Mathematics, Shahjald University of Science and Technology, Syltel, Bangladesh.

Mandal, Suparna, visited Tsukuba, Japan during August 26 - 30, 2002 to attend the Third International Congress on Allelopathy and delivered a talk.

Sarkar. Ram Rup, was invited to deliver a talk on "A Bioeconomic fishery model with stochastic fluctuation" in the International Conference on Applied Mathematics and Mathematical Physics during January 6 - 9, 2003 at the Department of Mathematics, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet, Bangladesh. He also visited the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy to attend the workshop on Theoretical Ecology; Natural Resource Management and Conservation Biology during April 22 - May 3, 2002 and presented a poster on "A technique for optimal harvesting in a noise induced bioeconomic fishery model".

Plant Chemistry Unit

Majumdar, Priyanka, visited University of Toronto, Canada during November 2002 to leam sophisticated techniques of research in Mycology, carbohydrate decomposition and nutrient cycling in Prof. David Malloch's Laboratory, University of Toronto. She also visited Royal Ontario Museum, Laboratory of Prof. John C. Krug of University of Toronto to learn innovative techniques of mycological research, species identification and several curatorial techniques.

Mukherjee, Goulam, visited Laboratory de Phytoécologie, Université de Metz and Institut de Botanique, Université Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg, France during 9 - 13 September, 2002 and delivered a talk entitled "The potential of aquatic plants as bioindicators of pond water quality" and had academic discussions. He also participated in field survey in the Rhine Alsace floodplain, other regional rivers, ponds and gravel pits for aquatic macrophyte collection and identification.

Social Sciences Division

Reonomic Research Unit

Chakravarty, Satya R. visited the Bocconi University, Milan, Italy during May, 30 - June, 1, 2002 to deliver an invited lecture at the international workshop 'Income Distribution and Welfare'. He was also a Visiting Professor there during September 1, 2002 - March 1, 2003.

Mukherjee, Diganta, visited the Institute for Social and Economic Research, University of Essex, U.K. during May 27, 2002 - April 26, 2003 for research.

Linguistic Research Unit

Choudhry, Amitav, visited South Africa to carry out a sociolinguistic study on transplanted communities from the Indian sub-continent, (a stochastic approach) on behalf of the Dept. of Tourism, Gauteng Province, with special emphasis on implications of bilingual and multilingual education during July – August, 2002.

Planning Unit, Delhi

Das, Satya P., visited the University of Konstanz for research and teaching during May - June, 2002 and the Southern Methodist University for research and teaching during January - May, 2003.

Sen, Arunava, visited the (i) California Institute of Technology for teaching and research during April-June, 2002, (ii) Instituto Technologico Autonomo de Maxico (ITAM) for research during July – August, 2002 and (iii) Linivestic de Namur (FINDP). Belgium for research in March 2003.

Somanathan, E., visited the (i) University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA for research during May 2002 (ii) University of Siena, Italy and delivered locure at workshop (iii) Santa Fe Institute, USA for research during June – July, 2002 and (iii) BRAC centre for development management, Bangladesh for presenting paper at workshop in December, 2002.

Somanathan Rohini, visited the University of Namur in Belgium for research during 13-16 December, 2002.

Population Studies Unit

Data, Pranati, visited the Chulalongkom University, Bangkok, Thailand during June 09 – 14, 2002 and participated in Regional Population Conference 2002 on South Asia's Population in a Changing Asian Context organised by USSP and presented a paper on "Nepali Migration to India"

Psychology Research Unit

Ghosh, Anjali, visited and presented papers at the International Congress of Applied Psychology at Singapore and at the International Association for Cross Cultural Psychology at Yogyakarta, Indonesia during July 7 – 12 and 15 – 19, 2002.

Sociological Research Unit

Swaminathan, Madhura delivered lectures on Poverty and Economic Mobility at the Institute of Social Sciences, Ho Chi Mina City, Vietnam, She presented a paper at the Conference of the International Association of Feminist Economics, Osio, Norway and attended the meeting of Board of Trustees of the International Potato Centre, Lima, Peru in March 2003.

Statistical Quality Control and Operations Research Division

Acharya, U.H., visited Iran in connection with Six Sigma implementation.

Chaudhuri, A.K., visited (i) Iran, Thailand, Mexico and Philippines in connection with the training and guidance to the industries in these countries regarding implementation of Six Sigma methodology and (ii) Philippines, Thailand and Hong Kong, with regard to QS-9000 Audits on behalf of NVTQC in the Philips Company in these countries.

Chowdhury, K.K., visited Indonesia with regard to training on Six Sigma implementation.

Mahesh, C., visited USA to present papers at the "Ninth Annual Research Seminar" held at New York during February 24 - 25, 2003.

Majumdar, S.K., visited the Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, USA during June 14 - 16, 2002 and presented an invited paper. He also interacted with Prof. B. Abraham, Director, Institute for Improvement in Quality & Productivity, University of Waterloo, Canada on invitation.

Mohan, S.R., visited Canada for collaborative research work with Prof. S. Kabadi and Prof. Nair, University of New Brunswick, Faculty of Administration and Business Management.

Perumallu, P.K., visited Philippines, Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Taiwan with regard to QS-9000 Audits on behalf of NVTQC in the Philips Company in these countries and Turkey with regard to the QS – 9000 audits on behalf of AQA (India).

Seth, A., visited Japan to attend ISO/TC 69 workshop on Application of Statistical methods in Industries as a part of Indian delegation during July 7 – 12, 2002.

Library, Documentation and Information Sciences Division

Documentation Research and Training Centre (DRTC), Bangalore

Madalli, Devika P., visited the (i) Camegie Mellon University, Pitsburg during October 3 - 4, 2002, (ii) MIT, Cambridge during October 4 - 5, 2002, (iii) Tufts University, Medford, MA on October 6, 2002, (iv) American Library Association on November 8, 2002, (v) University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign on November 9, 2002, (vi) University of Michigan, Ann Arbor on November 12, 2002, (vii) National Library of Medicine on December 23, 2002, (viii) Library of Congress on December 23, 2002, (vii) Cal Tech. Pasalena on January 3, 2003, (x) University of California, Los Angeles on January 7, 2003, (xi) Stanford University on January 9, 2003 and (xii) University of California, Berkeley on January 10, 2003 on Fulbright Fellowship sponsored by The United States Educacional Foundation in India (USEFI), New Debb.

Rao, I.K Ravichandra, visited the (i) Goethe Institut Inter Nationes (HQ) at Munich and the Bavarian State Library to study the National Document Delivery System on October 21, 2002 (ii) University of Applied Science at Stutigart and Washmbegische Landesbibliothek on October 22, 2002, (iii) Mediatech Library, Stuttgart Public Library, the Dept. of Information Science of the University of Applied Science at Cologne and the Library Network of North Rhine-Westphalia on October 24, 2002, (iv) Cologne Public Library on October 25, 2002 and (v) State and University Library at Hamburg and University of Applied Science at Hamburg on October 28, 2002 in connection with the delegation to Germany sponsored by Max Muller Bhavan, New Delhi

SCIENTIFIC ASSIGNMENTS/ACADEMIC VISITS IN INDIA

Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division

Stat-Math Unit, Kolkata

Bandyopadhyay, Pradipta, was one of the invited speakers at the National Seminar on Recent Trends in Mathematics, Burdwan University, West Bengal, December 26 - 28, 2002 and spoke on "Structure of nested sequences of balls in Banach spaces".

Bose Arup, visited the Dept. of Statistics, M.S. University, Vadodara during July 27 - 29, 2002 and delivered the N.M. Bhatt lecture Series.

Bose, Smarajit, visited the ADRIN, Hyderabad, for discussions on a joint project.

Dutta, Amartya Kumar, visited the School of Mathematics, TIFR during March 01 - May 31, 2002.

Purkayastha, Sumitra, was invited by National Brain Research Centre to attend "International Conference on Theoretical Neurobiology" held at New Delhi during February 24 - 26, 2003 and presented a poster. He was Joint Convener of International Bayestan Workshop/Conference held at Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata during January 6 - 8, 2003.

Rao, T.J., gave lectures at Kalyani University on January 5, 2003 and at a conference for North-East Region on Sample Surveys Methodology and Algorithm at Manipur University during October 26 - 30, 2002.

Saha Ray, Rita, attended XXIIth Annual Conference of the Indian Society for Probability and Statistics during August 11 - 14, 2002 and talked on DS-optimal Designs in one-way ANOVA. She participated in National Symposium on Planning of Experiments and Analysis of data: organized by the Department of Statistics, University of Kalyani and Department of Statistics, University of Kolkata during October 4 - 5, 2002 and talked on Critical Sets in orchogonal arrays.

Sarkar, Rudra, P., visited the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai for four days to attend and lecture in Harmonic Analysis meet.

Tripathi, T.P., visited the Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh to attend International Symposium on Optimization and Statistics, during December 28 - 30, 2002 and presented an invited research paper, "A new estimator for the mean vector". He also chainered a session. He visited BCKV, Mohanpur, Nodia, West Bengal on 11 November 2002 and delivered two invited talks on Sampling Techniques before the Winter School on Computation Stat. in Agri. Sci. organized by the Department of Statistics, BCKV and spontored by ICAR.

Stat-Math Unit, Delhi

Bhatia, R., has been convener of the Northern Region Library Committee and runs the Delhi Mathematics Awareness Programme of the National Board for Higher Mathematics. He gave talks at I.I.T. Roorfee, Jesus and Mary College, Delhi, St. Stephen's College, Delhi and University of Delhi, South Campus.

Karandikar, R.L., was the National Co-ordinator for Indian National Mathematics Olympiad and was a member of the National Board for Higher Mathematics.

Stat-Math Unit, Bangalore

Gupta Biswas, Jishnu, visited (i) TTFR, Mumbai during August 26 – September 6, 2002 for research, (ii) Harish Chandra Research Institute during December 22, 2002 – January 4, 2003 and gave 8 lectures in a winter school on Arithmetic Geometry and (iii) Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur during January 4 - 7, 2003 and gave one lecture.

Inamdar, S.P., visited (i) Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad during December 24, 2002 – January 4, 2003 and participated in a workshop and (ii) Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur during January 4 –7, 2003 for research.

Misra, Gadadhar, visited the University of Jammu during February 20 - 23, 2003 and gave a lecture at the Annual Meeting of Jammu Mathematical Society.

Prajapat, Jyotshana, visited the Ehime University, Japan and NCTS, Taiwan during February 3 - 28, 2003 for research collaboration and gave a talk in a conference.

Raja, C.R.E., visited (i) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai during May 8 – 11, 2002 for research, (ii) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai during September 6 – 23, 2002 and attended the TIFR-CIMPA school on "Probability measures on groups – recent trends and directions" and gave a seminar talk on "average operators" and (iii) Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai during December 30, 2002 – January 1, 2003 and attended the meeting of Harmonic Analysis and gave a talk on "type R Lie groups"

Rajeev, B., visited the Cochin University of Science and Technology during December 17 - 21, 2002 and gave an invited Lecture at International Conference on Stochastic Modelling.

Ramasubramanian, S., visited (i) Punjab University, Chandigarh during November 6 – 10, 2002 and gave an invited talk at the Annual meeting of the Indian Academy of Sciences and (ii) Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala during December 15 – 21, 2002 and gave an invited talk at the International Conference on Stochastic Modelling.

Sastry, N.S.N., visited Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad during August 12-16, 2002 and gave a lecture.

Sury, B., visited the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai during February 17 - March 14, 2003 for collaborative research

Applied Statistics Division

Applied Statistics Unit

Bandyopadhyay, Shibdas, delivered invited talk on Research Methodology for Rural Development in UGC Refresher Course on Rural Development and Administration, Kalyani University during January 2-22, 2003. He was a member of the Technical Committee for Coordination and Improvement of Statistical System in the State of West Bengal, constituted by the Govt, of West Bengal.

Bose, Mausumi, visited the Pt. Ravi Shankar University, Raipur during. November 17 - 19, 2002 and delivered an invited talk at National Conference on Recent Development in Statistical Research.

SenGupta, Ashis, delivered a lecture series on Optimization Techniques in Statistics at Workshop conducted by Forum for Interdisciplinary Mathematics, Allahabad University during December 18 - 20, 2002, and was (1) Chairman, Organizer and Invited Speaker of Invited session on Directional Data Analysis at International Conference on Statistics, Combinatorics and Related Areas, Allahabad during December 21 - 23, 2002, (iii) Chairman of Invited session and Invited Speaker at International Conference on Ranking and Selection, Multiple Comparisons, Reliability and their Applications, Chennai, during December 28 - 30, 2002, (iii) Chairman of Invited Speaker at the International Conference on Statistics in Industry and Business, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin druing January 2 - 4, 2003 and (iv) Chairman of Invited session and Invited Speaker at National Seminar on Statistics for Industry, Business and Finance, Calcutta University, during March 21 - 22, 2003. He also Delivered Invited Iectures at National Symposium on Planning of Experiments and Analysis of Dala. Ralysal University during October 4 - 5, 2002; National Seminar on Quality of Life, Visva-Bharati, Shantiniketan, during November 16 - 18, 2002; and International Symposium on Pure and Applied Mathematics, Calcutta Mathematical Society during December 14 - 16, 2002 and International Bayesian Workshop/Conference, LSI, Koklau during January 6 - 8, 2003.

Sengupta, Debasis delivered invited lectures at International Conference on Statistics in Industry and Business, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin, during January 2 - 4, 2003 and National Symposium on Planning of Experiments and Analysis of Data, Kalyani University during October 4 - 5, 2002

Computer and Communication Sciences Division

Advanced Computing & Microelectronics Unit

Das, Nabanita, served as a session chair of the International Workshop on Distributed Computing (TWDC 2002) held in Calcutta in December 2002.

Dattagupta, J., acted as external expert of the Board of Studies of the Department of Computing Science and Engineering, Jadavpur University.

Mukhopadhayaya, Krishnendu, served as a Session Chair of the of 6th International Conference/Exhibition on High Performance Computing in Asia Pacific Region (HPC-2002), Bangalore, in December 2002.

Nandy, Subhas C., visited the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai during May 6 - 17, 2002.

Sinha, Bhabani P., visited the (i) Benaras Hindu University during October 28 - 31, 2002 and delivered we lectures and (ii) Dept. of Computer Science. Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad during January 22 - 24, 2003 and delivered two seminar lectures. He attended the 9th International Conference on High Performance Computing (HiPC '02), Bangalore, during December 18 - 20, 2002, presented a paper and chaired a session.

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Unit

Chaudhuri, B.B., visited the (i) International Conference on Universal Knowledge and Language (ICUKL. 2002) during November 77 – 29, 2002 and delivered an invited talk on spell checker design, (ii) Language Engineering Conference (LEC 2002), Hydernbad during December 13 – 15, 2002 and delivered the keynotte address, (iii) IEEE ACE, Kolkata, during December 20-22, 2002 and chaired a session at the conference and (iv) Electronics Niketan, Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of India on June 28, 2002. He visited ER&DCI, Noids during September 5 - 7, 2002 for attending the workshop-curve-valuation/demonstration of OCR software developed at CVPR unit of ISI. The meeting was organized by Ministry of Information Technology (MIT), Out. of India and he delivered the keynote address at this workshop. He visited IT, Gowahaid during April 1 - 2, 2002 for attending the expose address at this workshop. He visited IT, Gowahaid during April 1 - 2, 2002 for attending Review meeting on Indian Language OCR development.

Garain, Uipal, visited the ER&DCI, Notida during September 5 - 7, 2002 for attending the workshopcum-evaluation/demonstration of OCR software developed at CVPR unit. The meeting was organized by Ministry of Information Technology (MIT), Govt. of India.

Mitra, M., visited IIT, Guwahati during April I - 2, 2002 for attending Review meeting on Indian Language OCR development.

Machine Intelligence Unit

Bandyopadhyay, S., delivered a tutorial on "Soft Computing" at International Conference on Information Technology, Bhubaneswar, 2002 where she also served as a session chair.

Ghosh, A., served as the co-ordinator of CIMPA-UNESCO-INDIA School, Calcutta, India during December 2 - 13, 2002. He delivered a series of lectures at Utkal University, Bhubaneswar on "Neural Pattern Recognition", and a seminar at a national workshop at IBSC, Bhubaneswar. He also gave a tutorial lecture on (i) "Association Rule Mining using GAs" at International Conference on Information Technology, Bhubaneswar in 2004 and (ii) on Genetic Algorithms at the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur in a one day seminar on Soft Computing.

Kundu, M. K., delivered invited lectures on (i) Digital Information Security and Data Hiding, in a special seminar organized at the Indian School of Mines (ISM), Dhanbad, on March 12, 2003, (ii) Information hiding, Steganography and Digital Watermarking in the Conference on Horizons of Telecommunication (HOT 2003) organized by the Institute of Radio Physics and Electronics, Calcutta University, during February 3 - 5, 2003 and (iii) Digital Image Processing: An Introduction with Example during November 19 - 22, 2003 at the CIMPA-UNESCO-INDIA International School on Soft Computing Approach to Pattern recognition and Image Processing held at Kolkata, during December 2 - 13, 2002. He was nominated as an external member of the Board of Course Studies (BOCS) for the department of Computer Science & Engineering at the Indian School of Mines (ISM), Dhanbad, for 2002-2005. He served as member of the scientific committee by the Ministry of Information Technology (MIT), Govt. of India, to monitor and review periodically the progress of the project on "Application of image processing technique for improved clinical feature extraction in echocardiography related to cardiac diseases" being carried out by ER&DC, Kolkata.

Mitra, S., served as the Tutorial Chair for Sixth International Conference on Technology, Bhubaneswar, India, during December 22 - 25, 2002. She delivered a tutorial lecture on "Data Mining" at IIIT, Kolkata in February 2003.

Murthy, C. A., delivered lectures on Genetic Algorithms in IIIT, Kolkata in February 2003. He also delivered a lecture on Content Based Image Retrieval in the Computer Science department of University of Hyderabad in the last week of November 2002.

Pal, S. K., served as the Scientific Director of an International School (CIMPA-UNESCO-INDIA School) on Soft Computing Approach to Pattern Recognition and Image Processing at ISI, Kolkata during December 2 - 13, 2002. He worked in many national committees such as Chairman of the Project Review & Steering Group (PRSG). ERDC. Kolkata and member of the DST-PAC. Electrical Engineering. Computer

Science, New Delhi; DST-FIST Committee, New Delhi; DST-Swamajayanti Fellowship Committee, New Delhi; IGNOU, New Delhi and in the Delhi University Board. He delivered a senies of lectures in Advanced Course on Al in CAIR, DRDO, Bangalore on 19.11.2002 and in the Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, Sikkim during September 26 - 28, 2002. He acted as a member of Program Committee of the International Conference on Analysis and Discrete Structures, December 22 - 24, 2002. IIT, Kharngpur and delivered invited talk in HOT-2003. Calcutua University.

Physics and Earth Sciences Division

Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit

Kar, G. visited, the (i) Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai during January, 6 - 30, 2003 for academic interaction and the Department of Physics, 1. ... University during July 7 - 14, 2002 for academic collaboration.

Mandal, B.N., visited the (i) Benaras Hindu University during June 10 - 13, 2002 for presenting a paper at the 17th Annual Conference of Ramanujan Mathematical Society organised at Department of Applied Mathematics, BHU, (ii) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore during July 28 - August 10, 2002 for academic interaction, (iii) Bangalore University during December 07 - 14, 2002 to deliver lectures.

Parashar, Preeti, visited the Institute of Physics, Bhubaneswar during December 9 - 20, 2002 for collaborative research work.

Roychoudhury, R., visited the (i) Mahendra Engineering College, Namakkal, Tamilnadu during November 21 – 25, 2002 to give invited talk at the National Conference on Mathematics in Engineering, Science & Technology, and (ii) Institute of Advanced Study in Science & Technology, Guwahati during January 30 – February 8, 2003 for collaborative research work.

Biological Sciences Division

Anthropology and Human Genetics Unit

Gupta, Ranjan, visited (i) Department of Anthropology, Dibrugarh University, Assam during March 16-18, 2003, and (ii) Department of Anthropology, Vidyasagar University, Midnapur on March 27, 2003 and delivered invited lectures.

Majumder, Partha P., delivered invited lectures entitled (i) "Reverse population genetics and evolution" in Stephen J. Gould Memorial Meeting at the Jawahardal Nehru Centure for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore, on June 18, 2002; (ii) "Peopling & Structure of India: A genomic view; in International Dialogue to Celebrate the 50" Anniversary of the Discovery of the Double Helix in New Delhi on February 14, 2003.

Mukhopadhyay, Barun, participated in the (i) 35th Annual Conference of the Indian Anthropological Society held at Vidyasagar University, Midnapur and presented a paper titled "Health Infrastructure: A Key indicator of Rural Development in Sikkim", during September [9 - 21, 2002, (ii) 10" Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Biochemists of India (10th ABBICON 2003) held at Nilratan Sircar Medical College and Hospital, Kolkata and presented an invited paper titled "Anthropology of Health in Himalayan Populations: An Assessment", during January 10 - 12, 2003, (ii) Training Workshop on HIV/AIDS for Medical Practitioners of Indian Systems of Medicine and Health (ISM&H) in Sikkim organized by the Voluntary Health Association of Sikkim, Gangtok as a Resource Person and a Discussant during February 12 - 13, 2003, (iv) Serminar on Pissadvantaged People in Eastern and North Eastern India: Emerging Issues" held at North Bengal University Darjeeling and presented a paper titled "Disadvantage and demography: The Lepchas of Kalimpong during March 15 - 16, 2003. He also delivered an invited lecture titled "Anthropology: A Synthesic Science" in the Department of Anthropology: Anthro Bengal University, Darjeeling on March 12, 2003.