

NGRI signs MoU with GEMRC IPE

The National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), Hyderabad, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with GEMRC IPE, Russia, on 17 November 2006 after detailed discussions with Magnetotellurics group headed by Dr T. Harinarayana, on various research projects. The MoU was signed by Dr V.P. Dimri, Director, NGRI and Prof. Vjacheslav V. Spichak, Director, GEMRC. With the signing of the MoU, GEMRC and NGRI have mutually agreed to collaborate with each other, specifically in the field of "Electromagnetics". Both the parties have agreed for future scientific cooperation in the following areas:

- Application of artificial neural network technology for geophysical data interpretation
- Construction of 3D geoelectric models from Magnetotelluric data measured in India
- Promotion of joint project on EM tsunami alarm system (organization of bilateral colloquium in Moscow in 2007)

Two or three experienced NGRI research students in the field of magnetotellurics will carry out their Ph.Ds in GEMRC IPE during 2007-2009 under joint supervision. The financial support will be provided by NGRI through DST (India) and GEMRC IPE through RAS (Russia) under ILTP programme. The MoU would remain valid for two years from 17 November 2006 and is renewable on mutual consent.



Dr V.P. Dimri, Director, NGRI (centre) and Prof. Vjacheslav V. Spichak, Director, GEMRC (right) with the MoU documents. Seen on the left is Dr T. Harinarayana, Head, Magnetotellurics Group.