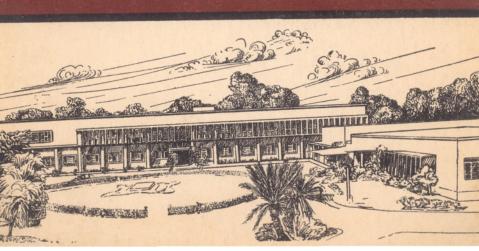
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I INTRODUCTION

The Institute is devoted to the promotion of higher study and research in all aspects of palaeobotany and to the dissemination of palaeobotanical knowledge. Its scientific activities are carried out in the following six departments:

- 1. Department of Palaeozoic Palaeobotany.
- 2. Department of Mesozoic Palaeobotany.
- 3. Department of Cenozoic Palaeobotany.
- 4. Department of Coal Palaeobotany.
- 5. Department of Quaternary Palynology.
- 6. Department of Oil Palynology.

Besides, there is a Geology section to render help in geological, specially stratigraphical, problems and a recently started C-14 Laboratory which is being established to provide Radio-Carbon dating facilities.

All the scientific studies have been conducted under the various projects which were formulated under the Fourth Five Year Plan, the year under report being the last year of the IV Plan. The main achievements may be summarized as follows.

The morphology of the glossopterid fructifications Kendostrobus, Scutum and Cistella from the Lower Gondwana of India have been completed. Remains of Lower Gondwana ferns have been reclassified under 3 genera, viz., Neomariopteris, Dichotomopteris and Dizeuqotheca. Fossil plants and miospores from a coal-bearing bed of Singrauli have been studies in detail, on the basis of which a Lower Barakar age has been assigned to this bed.

Micro-organisms (containing algae, fungi and acritarchs) from the Bushimay system (Pre-Cambrian) have been worked out.

Palynological study of a drill Core from the Lower Carboniferous of Libya has been completed.

A study regarding the palynological composition of the basal Gondwanas in India has shown that Talchir palynofloras can be divided into 3 zones having sequential relationship. Further, Talchir sediments from Manendragarh have been studied.

Inter-relationships of palynofloras in Barakar Stage have been synthesized revealing 3 palynogical zones. Palynological study of Paraspani and Macharar Nala Coals (M.P.) has suggested the age of the former area to be Lower Jurassic.

Coal samples from Chirimiri cf., Kusmunda block of Korba cf., Umaria cf., Pali cf., Brahmani cf., and Umrer coalfield have been studied for dating and correlation.

Petrological and palyno stratigraphical studies of Wardha Valley coals have indicated that a Lower Barakar coal swamp coalified variedly depending on the water level of the coal forming peat. A proposal for definition of genetic type of coal that is characterized by complex features reflecting general conditions of accumulation of the original material has been forwarded to the International Coal Nomenclature Committee.

A study of Biopetrological constituents of Neyveli lignite has shown that the lignite may be categorized into two groups based on source material. They are (1) Xyloidal and (2) Attrital, suggesting separation of the material for selective use.

Investigations have been carried out on some fertile

organs described under new genera Satsangia (S. companulata) and Nidia (N. ovalis) and on a good number of mega-and microfossils from certain Triassic beds of India. The plant fossils of the genera Gleichenia, Todites, Otozamites, Araucaria, Brachyphyllum and Desmiophyllum have been worked out from the Jurassic-Cretaceous rocks. Mioflora from certain outcrops of the Upper Gondwana has also been studied.

A rich miofloral assemblage has been worked out from the Lower Cretaceous of Zaire.

Investigations of gymnospermous wood and a cone confirmed the presence of Araucariaceae in the Deccan Intertrappean flora. There are also evidences of the occurrence of other Marsileaceous remains besides *Rodeites*.

Fossil woods of Terminalia and Afzelia-Intsia type have been recognized in the Miocene deposits of Kutch.

Studies on the fossil wood of the Siwalik beds of Himachal Pradesh have revealed the occurrence there of Dipterocarpus, Cassia, Cynometra, Albizzia, Millettia-Pongamia and a member of Meliaceae. From other Siwalik beds in Bihar, leaf impressions of Colocasia, Mangifera, Zizyphus, Indigofera, Bauhinia, Dalbergia, Gardenia, Cinnamomum, Litsea and Ficus have been identified.

Woods of Kayea, Gluta-Melanorrhoea, Cynometra, Elaeocarpus, Bursera, Terminalia, Sterculia, Garuga, Albizzia, Dipterocarpus, and Shorea have been studied from the Neogene deposits of the Assam region.

Of the fossil woods studied from the Cuddalore Series of South India, some show a very close resemblance with such species of *Dipterocarpus* and *Sindora* as are today frequent in the Malayan region. This has a significant phytogeographical implication.

In Lower Assam, dinoflagellate stratigraphy of Jadukate. Mahadeo and Langpar formations has been successfully concluded to demarcate the Cretaceous-Tertiary boundary. Lower Tertiary Palyno-assemblages recovered from a number of bore-holes of Nangwalbibra, broadly assignable to the Tura Formation in the Garo Hills of Meghalaya, have been palynologically correlated and dated. In Upper Assam, the Girujan Clay Formation in Nahorkatiya deep well has been palynologically divided into 3 biozones, which gives palynological basis for identification of Upper, Middle and Lower levels of the formation in respect to the Top of Tipam Formation. Palynology of another deep well indicates that the distribution of Key forms demarcating the various levels of the Palaeogene sediment of Lower Assam also persist in Upper Assam. It is significant to record that Girujans and Namsangs developed around Arunachal Pradesh have vielded recycled Permian forms while Girujans of Dihing river contain recycled Eocene forms, Also the Surma sediments of Nichuguard area contain recycled Permian These evidences indicate that Permian and Eocene sediments were exposed in parts of Upper Assam during Upper Tertiary depositional cycles.

In Himachal Pradesh preliminary observations on the Subathu assemblage indicate the presence and abundance of hystrichosphaerids together with fewer spores and pollen grains. It has been observed that fresh-water elements, represented by the alga *Pediastrum*, are intermingled with the predominantly marine assemblage indicating near-shore conditions of deposition.

In South India a rich marine siliceous microfossil assemblage from Cauvery Basin and a well preserved dinoflagellate assemblage from Western Ghats have been recovered.

In Western India stratigraphically located samples from

a number of measured sections belonging to the Matanomadh (Palaeocene) and Kakdi (Lower Eocene) formations indicate that these rock units can be further divided into finer biostratigraphic zones.

Four hundred fifty pollen slides of plant species from Nepal, Gujarat and Lucknow were prepared and studied in relation to pollen analytical work in progress.

Eight hundred and twenty index cards for modern pollen grains were prepared.

As many as seventy surface samples from Bengal, Gujarat and Nepal were investigated and charts prepared showing details of pollen spectra.

Pollen analyses of profiles from Namkhana, Ulubaria, Kolera (Bengal); Nalsarovar and Dumas (Gujarat): Thimi, Kalimatti and Manihara (Nepal) and of Purana Qila bricks (New Delhi) were carried out and pollen profiles constructed where samples yielded sufficient pollen grains.

The carbonised seed remains from Surkotada, Gujarat and Kalibangan, Rajasthan, the Harappan sites and the Neolithic site Non Nok Tha (Thailand) were carried out.

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II RESEARCH

Pre-Gondwana

1. 1. India

1. 1. 1. Search for the evidence of early plant life in the Vindhyan Formation.

Rock samples collected around Ramapura were subjected to maceration. Rich remains of micro-organisms belonging to algae and acritarchs have been recorded.

 Observations on the possible Psilophytic remains from the Silurian of Spiti.

Impressions of axes preserved in the Silurian rocks of Spiti were examined. Their study showed that the evidences to identify them as remains of land plants are wanting. On the basis of their organisation, algal affinity has been suggested and the forms have been referred to Algites enteromorphoides Basson.

1. 2. Abroad

1. 2. 1. Micro-organisms from the Bushimay System of Zaire

Micro-organisms from the drill core samples collected from Kanshi, Zaire (Bushimay System) were studied. The micro-organisms consist of remains of algae, fungi, acritarchs and indeterminate remains. The assemblage consists of 25 genera belonging to 40 species. The algal genera are Gunflintia, Siphonophycus, Sphaeraphycus, Palaeonacystis, Myxoccoides, Palaeomicrocystis gen, nov., Glenobotrydion. Fungi are represented by I genus, Eomycetopsis The acritarcha remain:

are Protoleiosphaeridium, Symplassosphaeridium, Trematosphaeridium, Granomarginata, Vavosphaeridium, Archaeofavosina, Leiosphaeridia, Lophosphaeridium, Orygmatosphaeridium, Kildinella, Nucellosphaeridium, Baltisphaeridium, Zonasphaeridium, and Tasmanites. On the basis of the micro-organism assemblage a Late Pre-Cambrian age has been assigned to these rocks. A paper has been completed and sent to press.

2. LOWER GONDWANAS

2. 1. Morphological studies in the Glossopteris Flora

2. 1 1. Auranga Coalfield, Bihar.

The study of mega - fossils collected from Gowa (Karharbari Formation), Churia (Barakar Formation and Serek-Gurtur (Raniganj Formation) of the Auranga Coalfield has been completed. 2 species of Glossopieris, 1 species each of Euryphyllum, Samaropsis and Cornucarpus have been identified from Gowa. From Churia, 4 species of Glossopteris, new articulate form with dimorphic leaves and some scale leaves are recognised. In Serek-Gurtur, a glossopteridean fructification, 1 species of Phyllotheca and some scale leaves have been identified.

2. 1. 2. South Karanpura Coalfield, Bihar

Glossopteris leaves collected from the Lower Nakari seam (Barakar age) have been studied. 10 types of Glossopteris have been identified.

2. 1. 3. Raniganj Coalfield, Bengal.

A. Remains of Ferns collected from the Raniganj Formation of the Raniganj Coalfield have been studied. The Ferns earlier described as Sphenopteris, Pecopteris, Alethopteris, Merianopteris and Ptychocarpus are reclassified under 3 genera viz., Neomariopteris gen. nov., Dizeugotheca and Dichotomopteris gen. nov., on the basis of frond morphology and the arrangement of reproductive structures. 3 papers on these remains have been completed and sent for publication.

B. The male fructification described by Dr. K. R. Surange in 1957 from the Kenda Colliery of Raniganj Coalfield was reinvestigated. A new name Kendostrobus has been proposed for the same and Kendosporites for the monolete spores obtained in situ from the fructification.

2.1.4. Mahanadi and Brahmni Valley, Orissa.

Investigations on Scutum and Cistella have been completed. A new seed genus Indocarpus has been instituted for one-winged seeds. Completed the study on two new and three previously known species of genus Eretmonia. Study on the detached scale leaves belonging to glossopteridean fructification is nearing completion.

2. 1. 5. Singrauli Coalfield, M. P.

A small collection of plants from the Upper Talchir Formation of Singrauli Coalfield has been identified. The plants, preserved as impressions on a highly calcareous sandy shale, comprise (i) Noeggerathiopsis hislopi (ii) Gangamopteris cyclopteroides (iii) G. cf major, (iv) Gangamopteris sp. and (v) Samaropsis goraiensis. No spores have been found in these shales.

A sequence referable to the Lower Barakar Formation is exposed in the Gaurbotha Nala, near Bansi Village. From one carbonaccous shale member of the sequence, some well preserved plants were earlier described by Lele, Swaroop and Singh (1968). On further splitting of this material a number of better preserved leaves and seeds have been

obtained which have, in most cases, yielded cuticular structure. Some previous records have now been revised. The following taxa are recognisable:

Glossopteris indica, G. cf. damudica, Glossopteris n. sp. A. (with cuticle), Glossopteris n. sp. B. (with cuticle), Glossopteris sp., Gangamopteris sp. A., Macrotaeniopteris n. sp. A. (with cuticle), M. cf feddeni (with cuticle), Schizoneura wardii, Samaropsis n. sp. A. (with cuticle), Samaropsis sp., Cordaicarpus n. sp. A. (with cuticle), Gordaicarpus n. sp. B., Stem and barkimpressions with Buriadia-like scars on surface, probably similar stems have yielded tracheids with araucaroid pitting.

The external morphological details of the above flora have been studied. The cuticular structure remains to be investigated in detail for delimiting the taxa more precisely.

2. 1. 6. General

The following reviews have been completed:

- (a) Glossopteris and allied remains-cuticle.
- (b) Unclassified Gymnosperms from the Lower Gondwana.
- (c) Gymnospermous woods and stem remains from the Lower Gondwana.

2. 2. Sporae dispersae and palynostratigraphy

2. 2. 1. Singrauli Coalfield, M. P.

The plant-bearing shales referable to Lower Barakar sequence exposed in Gaurbotha Nala near Bansi village have yielded a rich mioflora, which has been completely investigated. The assemblage is dominated by non-striate disaccates followed by striate and monosaccates. Simple trilete and monolete forms are poorly represented. The macro- and miofloral evidence of the Lower Barakar sequence

taken together may apparently confirm with a Lower Barakar age for the beds, probably close to the Karharbari/Barakar boundary.

A successional collection of Talchir exposures from Saura and Baghayya Nalas, Singrauli Coalfield, M. P. has been macerated. All the samples have proved to be barren of miospores.

2. 2. 2. Auranga Coalfield, Bihar.

Study of microfossils belonging to Karharbari (Gowa, Barakar (Tubed) and Raniganj Formations (Serek-Gurtur) was undertaken,

2. 2. 3. Jeer-Dasher area

A collection of Gondwana sediments from Jeer-Dasher area, Son Valley basin in Sonhat area has partly yielded the spore and pollen grains. This assemblage dominated by the striate-disaccate genera along with the significant occurrence of *Densipollenites*, is Upper Permian in age and is indicative of the probability of Lower Permian beds being concealed below these sediments.

2. 2. 4. Raniganj Coalfield

Bore-Core NCRD—6 in the Dishergarh area near Asansol, Raniganj Coalfield, has been palynologieally analysed and a 3-zone miofloral succession extending from the Raniganj Stage into Panchet deposits has been found. The work is in the final stage of manuscript.

Bore-Core NCRD-2 in the Raniganj Coalfield has been taken up for palyno-stratigraphical analysis. The maceration and slide preparation is in progress.

Out of seven bore-hole coal samples from Raniganj Coalfield six contained a rich mioflora. Striated disaccates occur in abundance and on the basis of quantitative representation they have been assigned to Raniganj age. All the six samples are from one miofloral zone.

2. 2. 5. Chirimiri Coalfield

Twenty two samples from western part of the Chirimira Coalfield were studied palynologically. The mioflora is rich in radial monosaccates and trilete miospores. Two biozones were recognised equating with the Talchir and Karharbari stages of Lower Gondwanas of India.

2. 2. 6. Korba Coalfield

Six bore-hole coal samples from Kusmunda block of Korba Coalfield were studied palynologically. The mioflora is characterised by the abundance of striated disaccate pollen grains. Nonstriated disaccates follow them closely. As such, two biozones have been marked, each representing a separate seam successively in the respective bore-holes

2. 2. 7. Lakhanpura Coalfield

Six bore-hole coal samples from Lakhanpura Coalfield were macerated but none of them contained miospores.

2. 2. 8. Umaria-Pali Coalfield, M P.

Thirty one samples from Umaria Coalfield were studied palynologically. Out of these, 25 proved barren of miospores while the rest yielded a rich mioflora. Amongst these two distinct biozones have been marked. The older biozone is rich in radial monosaccates associated with *Callumispora* and is similar to Lower Karharbari Stage, while the younger biozone is rich in nonstriated disaccates.

Seventeen samples from Pali Coalfield were macerated, out of which only 7 contaned miospores. They were rich in radial monosaccates.

2. 2. 9. Brahmini Coalfield, Bihar

Lower Godwana sediments exposed in Joram Nala in Brahmini Coalfield, Rajmahal Hills were studied palynologically. Out of 61 samples macerated only 12 contained rich miospores. The mioflora is profusely dominated by striated disaccate pollen grains closely associated with Densipollenities. This association is typical of Barren Measures Stage.

2. 2. 10. Umrer Coalfield, Maharashtra

The coal seams and associated sediments from Umrer Quarry, Nagpur have been studied palynologically. The mioflora recovered is either dominated by the trilete miospores or the radial monosaccate spores. Three biozones are recognized on the basis of statistical analysis. Basal biozone—I is characterised by the over-all dominance of apiculate triletes along with Sulcatisporites and Parasaccites. The middle biozone II is dominated by the radial monosaccates and Sulcatisporites with a significant increase in striated disaccate also. These biozones have been suggested to represent the Karharbari Stage in Umrer Coalfield.

2. 2. 11. Manendragarh area

Talchir sediments exposed in Basia Nala and Hasdo River sections of Manendragarh area were studied palynologically. Palynological zones based on quantitative representation of various palynotaxa have been described and compared with the other known Talchir assemblages. The mioflora shows the dominance of radial monosaccate pollen grains mainly *Plicatipollenites* and *Parasaccites*. The gradational change in the mioflora has been noticed between the older and the younger sediments of the Talchir formation.

2. 2. 12. Satpura Gondwana Basin

Fifteen samples from Ranipura and Sukhtawa areas of Satpura Gondwana Basin were macerated. All of them proved to be barren of miospores.

2.2 13. Pench-Kanhan Coalfield

The palynological details of the Lower Gondwana sediments of Pench-Kanhan Coalfield were compiled for publication.

2. 2. 14. South Karanpura Coalfield

Morphografic description of various palynotaxa found in the samples from South Karanpura Coalfield is in progress.

2. 2. 15 General

- A. Morphotaxonomic study of some miospore genera from Korba, Chirimiri and Talchir Coalfields (Lower Gondwana) is in progress.
- B. A synthesis of data regarding the palynological composition of the basal Godwanas in India suggests that the Talchir palynofloras can be divided into 3 zones. The average Talchir mioflora suggests a continuity with the younger miofloras of the Lower Godwanas, hence a sequential relationship has been established.
- C. Inter-relationships of the palynofloras in Barakar Stage have been synthesized. The results of this study suggest that within the Barakar Stage four miofloral lines can be drawn, which demarcate the setting-in of the miofloral changes. These lines from older to younger horizons are (i) monosaccate/zonate/apiculate-

line (ii) Scheuringipollenites line (iii) striatedisaccate-line (iv) striated – disaccate, Densipollenites line. These lines divide the Barakar mioflora into 3 palynological zones. Laterally, the inter-basinal relationships of mioflora indicate microclimatic changes from one region to another. This study also suggests that more successional studies are required to be undertaken to fill the gaps.

2. 3. Petropalynology of coals.

2. 3. 1. Wardha Valley coals

Petrology and palynostratigraphic studies of Wardha Valley coals have indicated variable coalfication of coals from a coal swamp of Lower Barakar mioflora. A manuscript incorporating the details has been prepared for publication.

2. 3. 2. Singreni Coalfield

The palynological study of all the working coal seams from different areas of Singreni Coalfield were completed. Eight miofloral assemblages were recognised, all within Barakar Stage. The petrographic studies are yet to be completed as the machine section is out of order.

2. 3. 3. General

- A. Proposal for definition of genetic type of coal that is characterized by complex features reflecting general conditions of accumulation of primary transformation of the original material is made to the International Committee of Coal Petrology.
- B. Coal blocks from different coal basins from Barakar Stage have been examined for determination of genetic types

of coal. Several analyses of the coals have suggested grouping of composite coal microlithotypes or material groups for determination of genetic types of coals. The work is in progress.

C. Revised the earlier prepared manuscript on Palynostratigraphy and Petrography of coals from Pench-Kanhan Coalfield and submitted for publication.

3. PALAEOZOIC FROM ABROAD

- 3. 1. Megafossils and woods.
- 3. 1. 1. Fossil woods from Zambesi Basin.

A new species, Zalesskioyxlon zambesiensis has been recognised from Zambesi. The paper has been sent for publication.

- 3. 2. Sporae dispersae and Palynostratigraphy.
- 3. 2. 1. South Africa.

Systematic palynology from the Lower Gandwanas of South Africa has been done. The systematic description is complete.

3. 2. 2. Brazil.

The palynological data obtained from the study of Parana and Maranho basins of Brazil are being compiled for publication.

4. MESOZOIC

- 4. 1. Megafossil assemblages
- 4. 1. 1. Triassic of Nidhpuri Area, Madhya Pradesh

Work has been carried out on the Triassic plants from Nidhpur and its nearby localities in the Sidhi District of Madhya Pradesh. The following fossil plants have been tentatively identified from this area: Sphenopteris sp., Glossopteris communis, G. damudica, G. boseiana sp. nov., G. browniana, G. retifera,, C. senii, G. taeniopteroids, Scutum sp. Vertebraria indica, Dicroidium sp., Taeniopteris gladulata and some scale leaves.

Besides these, a few more fertile organs have been studied. Some specimens, supposed to belong to a fertile organ, have been decribed under a new genus satsangia (S. campanulata). It consists of a bell-shaped body. The basal tubular part is densely covered with unicellular trichomes; the outer surface of the expanded part is smooth except for some faint longitudinal ridges, the inner surface bears irregularly arranged oval scars. Trichomes are visible at place in between the scars. The affinities of the genus are not yet certain. A new megastrobilus, Nidia ovalis gen. et sp. nov. has also been described. The megasporophylls are arranged in a close spiral and consist of a stalk enlarging into an expanded distal head which bears two sessile seeds on its either side. Sporophyll's cuticle is amphistomatic. The genus Nidistrobus Bose & Sriv. has been revised in the light of some new specimens. A relationship amongst Nidistrobus harrisianus, Nidia ovalis and Dicrodium nidpurensis Bose & Sriv. has been suggested on the basis of similar cuticular features. A new species of Pteruchus has also been worked out.

4. 1. 2. Jurassic of Rajmahal Hills.

The slides have been prepared out of the examined chert slides from the Jurassic of Nipania, Rajmahal Hills, Bihar. Some fossil conifer twigs have also been examined. The work on the cycadophytic foliage has been continued. Otozamites from the Rajmahal Hills has been described and sent to the press. Some of the species of the genus Pterophyllum have been re-decribed.

4. 1. 3. Jurassic-Cretaceous of Madhya Pradesh.

Research work has been completed on some fossil plants belonging to Gleichenia, Todites, Cladophlebis, Sphenopteris and Desmiophylium from the Upper Gondwana of Madhya Pradesh. Three species of the genus Ptilophyllum have also been identified on the basis of cuticular features. Their specimens and cuticles have been photographed. The text-figures and descriptions have been partly completed.

4. 1. 4. East Coast Gondwanas

A large number of fossil plants were collected in early 1973 from the Atgarh Basin. The description of the genera Gleichenia, Gladophlebis, Sphenopte is, Brachyphyllum and Elatocladus have been completed. Some of the specimens have been photographed. Preparations of their text-figures have been started.

4. 1. 5. Indian Mesozoic Conifers

Some detached seed-scales belonging to Araucariacae from the Mesozoic rocks of India have been studied. A detailed account of Araucarites cutchensis Feistm., A. minutus n. sp., A. sehoraensis n. sp. and Araucaria pantiana n. sp. has been published. The non-ligulate forms have been described under the genus Araucarites, while the ligulate ones have been placed in the extant genus Araucaria, Araucarites cutchensis includes impressions only. The remaining three species are based on the cuticular features of the seed-scales. A review paper on "Indian Mesozoic Conifers" has been completed and sent for publication.

4. 2. Sporae dispersae and palynostratigraphy

4. 2. 1. Lower Triassic megaspores from Asansol

A large number of megaspores have been recovered from the Lower Triassic beds exposed in the Nonia Nala

near Asansol. Several of the specimens have been photographed. The descriptions have been partly completed.

4. 2. 2. Lower Triassic mioflora from Auranga Coalfield

The palynological samples from a new Triassic locality in the Auranga Coalfield, Eihar, have been macerated. The assemblage comprises about 18 genera and 8 species. Verrucosisporites, Decisporis and Playfordiaspora are characteristic forms in this assemblage. The identifications and photography of the mioflora have been completed.

4. 2. 3. Lower Cretaceous palynomorphs from the Bansa Formation

A paper on the mioflora from the Bansa Formation has been completed and sent for publication.

4. 2. 4. Mioslora from the East Coast Gondwanas

Studies on the mioflora from the Athgarh Basin have been continued. Some of the specimens have been photographed.

4. 2. 5. Palyno-stratigraphy of Mesozoic sediments from Macharar Nala, Bansa, M. P.

Ten carbonanceous shale samples exposed in the Macharar Nala, Bansa, Shahdol district belonging to Bansa Formation included in the Jabalpure Stage, have been macerated. Five of them have yielded miospores. Quantitatively two different miofloral assemblages, A (older) and B (younger) have been encountered. Assemblage—A has the dominance of Callialasporites associated with subdominant Araucariacites with subdominant Callialasporites. The cryptogamic miospores

are rare in both the assemblages. A comparison of the mioflora with the Indian Upper Gondwana mioflora reveals that the assemblage—A from Bansa closely resembles the Bottom-zone of Upper Katrol, and Assemblage—B compares well with the Middle-zone of Upper Katrol. The Upper Katrol assemblages are dated as Upper Jurassic indicates and hence the assemblages from Bansa could also be dated as Upper Jurassic.

4. 2. 6. Palynostratigraphy of Parsapani coals, M. P. India.

Further work on the above coals has suggested that the Parsapani sediments are little older than that of Rajmahal Hills deposits and it might li in the Lower or Middle Jurassic.

4. 3. Mesozoic from abroad

4. 3. 1. Palynological studies on some Zirab Coals, Persia.

Taxonomic study is in progress.

4. 3. 2. Palynological studies on some Mesozoic coals of Iran.

Ten out of twentyfour coal and coaly shale samples from Iran have yielded a good number of spores and pollen grains. Scanning process of good miospores has been completed. Taxonomic study is continued.

4. 3. 3. Palynology of the Lower Cretaceous Loia Series, Zaire.

Twentyfive samples of the Loia Series represented in the Samba borings at depths from 564.98 m. to 840.24 m. were palynologically examined. The important genera in the assemblage are: Cyathidites, Perotriletes, Couperisporites, Equisetosporites, Cycadopites, Classopollis, Tricolpites, Schizosporis and Galeacornea.

5. CENOZOIC

5. 1. Morphological and Anatomical studies.

5. 1. 1. Deccan Intertrappean Flora (Palaeogene)

Further studies were carried out on Sahnipushpam and Rodeites by preparing more sections of both of them. A conifer wood found embeded in chert was studied in detail and photographed. Because of araucarian pitting, the wood belongs to the family Araucariaceae and furnishes further evidence of the presence of this family during the Early Eocene period in India. It also confirms indirectly the affinity of Mohgaostrobus as belonging to Araucariaceae as already suggested by its author.

While preparing sections of chert for the study of Sahnipushpam and Rodeites, some marsileaceous and monocot axes with lot of aerenchyma along with some other unrecognisable plant fragments were also spotted.

5. 2. General

5. 1. 2. Neogene woods from Kankawati Series (Manchar) Kutch.

Study of fossil woods from near Mothala and Dhaneti villages futher revealed the presence of *Terminalia* of Combretaceae, *Afzelia-Intsia* of Leguminosae and a number of other leguminous woods.

Fossil woods from the Siwalik beds of Nalagarh and Bhakra, Himachal Pradesh (Neogene).

Studies were continued on the fossil woods from the Lower Siwalik beds near Nalagarh in Himachal Pradesh. Seven of these were assigned to three species of Dipterocarpus and one each of Cassia, Cynometra, Albizzia and Millettia-Pongamia, while one was tentatively assigned to the family Meliaceae. The paper is almost ready.

Four new woods were described and photographed and await identification.

1. 4. Leaf imperessions from the Siwalik beds near Bikhnathoree, Bihar (Neogene).

Ten leaf impressions resembling those of Colocasia antiquorum, Mangifera indica, Zizyphus mauritiana, Indigofera pulchella. Bauhinia spp. Dalbergia sissoo, Gardenia turgida, Cinnamomum tamala, Litsea nitida and Ficus cunea were identified and a paper is almost complete.

5. 1. 5. Neogene fossil woods from Eastern India

(a) Tipam Series.

Studies on petrified woods from the Miocene of Tipam sandstones near Hailakandi in Cachar district of Assam were continued. Ten fossil woods were cut and sections prepared. They were identified as belonging to Kayea, Gluta-Melanorrhoea, Cynometra and Elaeocarpus. Further studies also revealed the presence of Bursera and Terminalia from this area. It is interesting to note that modern equivalents of all these fossils are still found in the forests of Assam or neighbouring areas. The fossil wood of Bursera is known for the first time from India and abroad.

(b) Dupitila Series.

Study was continued on the fossil woods from Namsang beds near Deomali in Arunachal Pradesh (NEFA). This indicated the presence of six new types resembling the modern woods or Sterculia, Garuga, Albizzia, Dipterocarpus, Shorea and a member of Lauraceae. Fossil woods of already known species of Cynometra, Cassia, Calophyllum and Afzelia-Intsia were also encountered.

5. 1. 6. Fossil woods of the Cuddalore Series (Neogene).

A number of fossil woods from the Cuddalore Series of South India near Pondicherry were studied. Some of them are new which show closest resemblance with those of Dipterocarpus, Hopea, Nephelium, Sindora, Albizzia, Daubanga, Chrysophyllum and Holoptelea. Of these, Dipterocarpus and Sindora are of great phytogeographic importance since the modern species of these with which the fossil woods resemble most are found in the Malayan region. Besides, revision of the affinities of previously known woods viz.. Guttiferoxlon indicum Ramanujam (1960), Celastringoxylon dakshinense Ramanujam (1960), Albizzioxylon sahnii Ramanujam (1960), Dalbergioxylon antiquum Ramanujam (1960) and Dipterocarpoxylon cuddalorence Navale (1963) was completed.

5. 2. General

 Evolutionary trends in the secondary xylem of Indian Territary flowering plants and their significance.

A survey of the massive anatomical data of the secondary xylem accumulated in the Indian Tertiary during the last two decades have revealed some intresting facts in the anatomical specialization of the flowering plants from the Palaeogene to the Neogene.

It is in the parenchyma pattern and the nature of xylem rays that a marked specialization or structural evolution has been in the Neogene taxa in contrast to Palaeogene forms which are characterised by primitive parenchyma types and the ray structures in majority of cases. Scanty paratracheal and diffuse types of parenchyma are seen in most cases in the Palaeogene. These are primitive types. However, in most of the Neogene forms the parenchyma is more abundant occuring as wide vasicentric, aliform to confluent and in thick metatracheal bands, which are regarded

as highly specialized or evolved types as compared to the former.

Similarly, the xylem rays also show a marked evolution in many taxa of the Neogene in contrast to the Palaeogene forms where primitive type of ray structures are quite common. In Palaeogene, the primitive ray structure with heterogeneous type I and II rays are found in most of the taxa and the more evolved homogeneous rays are only present in a few cases. As against this, the Neogene forms show an increasing tendency of having homogeneous rays in the Miocene and further anatomical specialization.

As a result of this analysis, a xylotomic subdivision of the Indian Tertiaries into the Palaeogene and the Neogene is possible based mainly on the type of parenchyma pattern and the ray structure.

5. 3. Sporae dispersae and palynostratigraphy

5. 3. 1. Makum Coalfield, Upper Assam.

Scanning of the slides of the remaining 90 samples (total 170 samples macerated out of which only 121 samples yielded spores and pollen) has been done; photomicrography has been completed and primary printing from negative also done. The study is in progress.

5. 3. 2. Nazira Coalfield, Nagaland.

Photomicrography of miospores from 4 samples from Nazira coalfield, Nagaland has been done. About 90 prints have been made for taxonomic study. Five remaining samples (total 30 samples from two bore cores—Bore Core No. 1-18 samples out of which 5 yielded and Bore Core No. II-12 samples out of which only 4 yielded) collected from Changki Valley, Mokokchung Distt. Nagaland have been macerated. Only 9 samples yielded spore-pollen

content. Study of the 9 samples revealed that the sporepollen assemblage of bore-core No. I is quite rich in angiospermic grains and pteridophytic spores are well represented. Spore-pollen assemblage of bore-core No. II is strikingly deficient in angiospermic grains while pteridophytic spores are markedly high in abundance.

5. 3, 3, C. S. L. Jorhat material

Three coal samples, sent by Coal Survey Laboratory Jorhat from Jeypore, Baragoloi and Tipang Collieries, have been macerated. All the three samples yielded spores and pollen grains. Study of these samples shows that spore pollen assemblages of all the three samples compare with already described Oligocene assemblage of Upper Assam.

5. 3. 4. Oligocene of Tikak Parbat Stage.

Seventy types of miospores were photographed from Oligocene of Tikak-Parbat Stage which are being identified with the modern taxa.

In order to identify the miospores recovered from the shale samples of Tura Formation at Damalgiri in Garo Hills and from the Oligocene of Tikak Parbat Stage at Ledo, Tipongpani and Baragoloi near Margherita, a detailed study of modern pollen flora of Assam region was taken up. Pollen slides were prepared from the well identified plants of this area. Photographs were taken from these pollen and spores for the preparation of reference cards. This is being continued as it would help us in the identification of miospores recovered from the Tertiary deposits of India.

3. 5. Upper Cretaceous-Tertiary sediments of South Shillong Plateau, Lower Assam.

The paper on Cretaceous phytoplanktons of Assam, presented to the Second Indian Colloquium on micropalacontology and stratigraphy, was finalized for publication. Further palynological study was continued from the Cretaceous sequence in order to identify the local and regional guide fossils. Processing of additional samples together with micro-photography of the important guide fossils was continued.

5. 3. 6. Patynology of the Tura Formation in the Type Area.

Palaeocene assemblages recovered from the bore-holes of Nangwalbibra belonging to the Tura Formation in the Garo Hills of Meghalaya have been palynologically correlated and dated. The assemblages have been correlated within the already instituted Cenozones e.g. Dandotiasporea telonata and Pulmidites plicatus. However, four new subzones have been proposed to explain the dissimilar composition of the assemblages highlighting the influence of environment and condition of deposition. This study has been completed.

Relynological study in Upper Assam for Oil India Project.

- A. Morphological study of the six species of spores related to Parkeriaceae was restarted on the basis of new information which show higher range of variation within the already instituted species. The distributional pattern of these species is being worked out in various stratigraphic levels of the Assam Tertiaries with a view to employing them as guide fossils.
- B. Grude oil samples from Nahorkatiya well 256 were processed. Palynological evidence was not considered enough to through light on the probable age of the crude. A crude oil condensate was also chemically processed but without any success.
- G. Six out of twenty-one samples from the Kharsang Exploratory well No. K-1 yielded spores and pollen grains.

The sediments in question were dated not older than Miocene in age.

- D. A priority oil shale sample from NHK well No. 263 (3,540 metre depth) was dated as Lower Eocene on the basis of palynologic assemblage. It was concluded that the assemblage corresponds to that of the Tura top zone of Garo Hills and Lakadong [Sandstone Member of the Sylhet Limestone Formation of Khasi and Jaintia Hills. Deltaic or an inland sea type of env ronment was postulated.
- E. The Tipam-Namsang-stratigraphic interval has been palynologically studied. In this, the Girujan clay of NHK well No. 1 is divisible into three lithological zones and each of these rock units can correspondingly be identified by palynological means. The changes in the palynomorph composition reflect distinct changes in the depositional environment, Provisional biostratigraphic zones have been instituted in order to delimit various levels within the Girujans. Conditions of deposition and environment have also been interpreted.

5. 3. 8. Simla Hills, Himachal Pradesh.

About 150 samples collected from two measured sections of the Narag-Sarahan and the Kumarhathi-Baroti road section from the Simla Hills (Himachal Pradesh) have been chemically processed. About 25 samples proved productive. Microslides have been prepared and are being scanned.

5. 3. 9. Subathus.

Preliminary observations on the Subathu assemblage indicate the presence and abundance of hystrichosphaerids together with fewer spores and pollen grains. It has been observed that fresh-water element, represented by an alga Pediastrum, is intermingled with the predominantly marine assemblage indicating near shore conditions of deposition.

5. 3.10. Area around Madh and Narehi, West India.

139 samples collected from 7 measured sections around Madh and Naredhi have been macerated. Of these 36 samples yielded palynological fossils. Slides have been prepared, scanned and photomicrography of the important taxa have been completed. Systematic description of the miospores is in progress.

5. 3. 11. The Cauvery Basin.

Twenty one stratigraphically located samples from a measured section near Pondicherry have been macerated for the recovery of microfossils. 3 samples yielded spores and pollen grains but no phytoplanktons. Microslide have been made and scanning completed.

Microphotography of the Dalmiapuram phytoplanktons has been completed. Taxonomic study is being continued with special reference to the genus Gonyaulacysta.

5. 3. 12. The Western Ghats.

Productive samples from measured sections near Edvai and Varkala have been scanned. Spores, pollen grains and dinoflagellates have been photographed. Taxonomic study of the dinoflagellates has been taken up.

5. 3. 13. Deccan Intertrappean Beds.

About 50 samples of chert were also macerated for the study of pollen and spores from the Deccan Intertrappean series. A rich variety of spores and pollen recovered were scanned and photographed. A detailed study of these is in progress.

5. 4. Biopetrology.

5. 4. 1. Palyno-petrographic study of the organic remains.

- A. By polish surface technique (a new method developed) several biostructures of Neyveli lignite have been identified. Some of them are Dipterocarpus, Collophyllum, Terminalia, Phyllanthus type.
- B. Morphographic study and identification of biopetrological constituents of Neyveli lignite samples have been completed. The significance of this study is the separation of lignites into two groups based on source material. The are (1) anthroxylous group derived from woody substances (2) attrital group derived from spore, pollen and resin material. The former has properties of good coking and calorific value. The latter is useful for hydrocarbon extraction.
- C. A propsal on the classification of "Texinite" maceral group into Xylinite, Parenchymanite, Sclerenychmanite has been made to the International Commission of Lignite Nomenclature.
- D. Study of Pollen and spore of the Main seam of Neyveli lignite area: Palynological analysis of the Main Seam has shown forms hitherto unknown in the area, the aim of the study is to prepare standard histogram of the Main Seam for comparison with other sections of the seam. The work is in progress.

5. 4. 2. Assam

The Petrological analysis of a sample from Assam has been carried out. It compares closely with attrital group of coals.

5. 5. Tertiary from Abroad.

5. 5. 1. Fossil woods from Thailand.

A collection of fossil woods sent to the Institute by the Royal Forest Department, Bangkok, Thailand, revealed the presence of *Millettia*, *Cynometra* and *Afzelia* of Leguminosae, *Anogeissus* of Combretaceae and *Diospyros* of Ebenaceae. The modern comparable species of these forms are still growing in the nearby forests in the north-east region of Thailand from where these fossil woods have been collected.

5. 5. 2. Fossil woods from the Miocene of Zaire.

Fossil woods sent by the Museum of Central Africa, in Tervuren Belgium, were studied and tentatively assigned to Millettia-Craibia, Cynometra, Crudia and Lebruniodendron of Leguminosae, Diospyros of Ebenaceae, Fagara of Rutaceae and to palmae.

6. QUATERNARY

6. 1. Pollen morphology.

6. 1. 1. Lucknow Flora.

Twenty five pollen slides of six species were prepared and examined palynologically.

6. 1. 2. Gujarat Flora

Forty one pollen slides of nine species have been prepared and examined.

6. 1. 3. Nepal Flora.

Three hundred and ninety pollen slides distributed over eightysix species of Nepal flora have been prepared

6. 1, 4. Pollen morphology of Indian Flora.

Eight hundred and twenty Index cards comprising pollen diagnoses of Indian modern flora have been prepared from literature as per details below:—

		20 Cards	
Pollen grains of Japan 18	0	22	
(By Ikuse)			
Pollen Morphology and 3	00	2.5	
Plant Taxonomy (By Erdtman)			
Journal of Palynology 25	0	22	
Grana Palynologica	0	33	

6. 2. Pollen Analysis.

6. 2. 1. Kumaon Himalaya

Nineteen moss cushions from Naintial—Bhowali area and six moss cushions from Bhim Tal-Sat Tal area in Kumaon Hills have been pollen analysed. Two charts showing the details of the pollen spectra constructed and a manuscript is prepared.

2. 2. Late Quaternary Vegetational History of Kumaon Himalaya.

Part-I—It comprises general introduction and pollen morphology of over 400 species which have been finalized.

Part-II—The work on pollen analytical reconnaisance of Kumaon Himalaya dealing with pollen analysis of mess cushions and two peat profiles one each from Naukutchiya Tal and Bhim Tal in Nainital district has been finalized.

6. 2. 3. Himachal Pradesh

One paper emitled "Late Quaternary Vegetational history in Himachal Pradesh, 2-Rewalsar Lake" has been

processed and and submitted for publication in "The Palaeobotanist".

6. 2. 4. Bengal Basin.

Forty three samples from Namkhana profile near-Sunderbans in Bengal have been pollen analysed. The samples are brown sandy clay and generally not rich in pollen grains and spores. However, fifty to one hundred pollen grains have been counted by examining five to eight slides. The pollen grains recovered from these samples are Sonneraria, Rhizophora, Acanthus ilicifolius, Sueada, Clerodendron, Terminalia Gramineae, Cyperaceae, Rosaceae, Palmae and trilete and monolete fern spores. A few specimens of Concentricytes rubinus have also been encountered. The Taxa recovered from these samples represent brackish-marine water conditions.

Fifteen samples from Uluberia profile in W. Bengal have been pollen analysed. The assemblage recovered indicate the fresh water environment. The peat samples from Kolara peat band, W. Bengal were subjected to re-maceration and re-examination so as to confirm the frequencies of the taxa already recovered from them in earlier preparations.

6. 2. 5. Shillong, Assam.

No work could be undertaken as the material previously collected was destroyed by the sub-soil rise of water in the basement where it was housed.

6. 2. 6. Gujarat.

Nalsarovar.

One profile from Nalsarovar (13 samples) were reinvestigated and pollen diagram prepared. The study has

revealed the dominance of Gramineae followed by Cheno-Amaranth type of pollen. *Holopteleae* is also recovered in quite a good number. Micro-foraminifera (both rotaloid and biseriate) have been reported from most of the samples.

Thirteen surface samples (soil and water) have been pollen analysed. A chart showing the frequency of each Taxon has been constructed. The study has revealed the dominance of Gramineae followed by Cheno/Ams type of pollen and Leguminosae. Other genera represented sporadically are *Prosopis*, Compositae, Umbelliferae, Acanthaceae etc.

Dumas (Dirtrict Surat).

Sixteen samples from Dumas were pollen analysed and proved to be palynologically barren. The sporadic occurrence of Gramineae, Cyperaceae, Cheno-Amaranth type. Compositae, *Holoptelea*, *Prosopis* etc. have been noticed. Microforminifera of both types—biseriate and Rotaloid were seen in the samples 33, 35 and 40.

Eleven soil samples collected while on way from Dumas to Malvan have been pollen analysed. Most of the samples are palynologically barren except for Samples No. 7 in which more than 300 pollen grains could be encountered. Sample No. 8 on the other hand is quite rich in microforaminifers though pollen grains were almost absent.

Malvan.

During pollen analytical investigation of Quaternary deposits of Malvan, some well preserved subfossil fungal spore were encountered along with pollen grains. They were studied, photographed and are finally ready for publication. Thimi: One profile from Thimi (seven samples) has been pollen analysed. This study has revealed that arboreal vegetation is represented by high values of Quercus followed by Pinus. The other three elements such as Cedrus, Picea, Abies, Myrica and Betula are sporadically present. The herbage is dominated by grass pollen, Artemisia and Cheno—Amaranth type of pollen. Colonies of Botryococcus are encountered from Sample nos. 41 and 42. A few seeds of Cyperaceae have been recognised in the residue.

Kalimatti—Intervening samples from Kalimatti pollen profile were analysed and pollen diagram prepared.

Manihara—Pollen diagram from Manihara profile is redrawn.

Pollen analysis of 21 surface samples (soil and water) from Kathmandu Valley was completed and pollen spectra constructed. Table representing frequency for each taxon was also prepared. The study of these spectra has revealed the dominance of Pinus roxburghii followed by Quercus. Other three elements represented in most of the spectra are Alnus, Myrtaceae and Betula. Harbaceous vegetation is dominated by Gramineae followed by Cheno-Amaranth type of pollen. The pollen of Cyperaceae and Compositae is reported from most of the samples though in less frequency.

Also four peat samples from Banipa, Thimi, Kalimatti and Dakshin Kali have been pollen analysed. Macroscopie study, however, reveals the occurrence of few seeds of *Scirpus* and *Carex*.

6.3 Archaeobotany.

6.3.1 Harappan Plant Economy.

Surkotada, Kutch, Gujarat (2000 BC-1660 BC)

Reinvestigation of the carbonised plant remains from Surkotada site suggests the presence of Setaria italica and Setaria viridis rather than Ragi. (Elsusine coracana) as referred to earlier.

Kalibangan, Rajasthan (2000 B.C)

Two samples KLB2/XA17-17 consist of an enormous quantity of carbonised grains of Barley (*H. rdeum* sps.) Sample no 3 KLB 2/AAB (16) consists of three entire carbonised seeds of Gram (*Cicer arietinum*)

The Terracotta cakes in sample Nos. 7 and 8 KLB-20, 566, KLB2/XBI (7) contain fragments of barley spikelets. Uniseriate tufts of hairs have been observed at the base of these spikelets and their cuticles are made up of wavy epidermal cells with stomata and silica bodies.

6.3.2 Archaeobotanical and pollen analytical investigation at Purana Qila (New Delhi).

The study of Archaeological bricks in Sample 19, belonging to the Gupta period has revealed the occurrence of impressions and compressions of rice spikelets. In the bricks in Sample Nos. 27, 41, 45 belonging to the NBP are compressions of rice spikelets, impressions of grass leaves, stems, grains of some millets and impressions of a dicot leaf have been noted.

The pollen analysis of bricks in Sample Nos. 45 (A) and 45 (B) has revealed the occurrence of the following pollen grains such as Gramineae, Labiatae, Holoptelea integgrifolia; Cheno-Amaranths, Compositae, Pinus spp. fern spores and unidentified pollen terrads.

6.3.3 Plant economy at Non Nok Tha (Thailand)

The sample derived from layer (2) S₉ D-4 (Nam Phony F)

1966, consists of an impression of a Kernel tentatively identified as rice. In the same sample there are impressions and compressions of fragmentary rice spikelets. Impressions and compressions of rice-husks were also found in samples.

NPF 1966 S₉ C5A (7) NPF S₉ C5 L (F) NPF 1966 S₉ DFL (10) NPF S₉ C5 (12)

6.4 Aeropalynology

Studies in atmospheric pollen grains and fungal spores at Lucknow have been completed after completing the drafting and photography work. The manuscript contains 57 tables 17 text-figures and a Lucknow map and the text is of about 360 pages.

7. RADIOCARBON DATING LABORATORY

Only a brief technical account of the progress in the construction of the different units required for the laboratory can be given at this stage since a sizable part of the equipments and materials is still awaited. The laboratory rooms are being furnished and are ready for full occupation.

7.1 Construction of Electronic Units

The Electronics Counting Units and Power Supplies are being constructed at the Physical Research Laboratory Ahmedabad and at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bombay as per the requirements of the Laboratory. Many electronic test equipments and power supplies have been procured. A damaged counting unit donated by the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bombay, has been thoroughly repaired and is ready for use to test nuclear detectors to be made in the laboratory.

7. 2. Construction of Vacuum System

The vacuum system for Radiocarbon dating work has to be constructed completely out of glass. Various glass materials and glass blowing equipments have already been acquired. The trolley on which the glass manifolds will be constructed were reconditioned. A major part of the construction of glass system for sample combustion and carbon dioxide purification has already been completed.

7. 3. Construction of Lead Shield

The radioactive shield of lead and mercury chambers required for housing the C-14 proportional detector in order to obtain high sensitivity has been designed. The radioactive purity of various lead samples has been tested by the Tata Institute. The supplies of lead in brick form and mercury are awaited.

Construction of High Sensitive Proportional Detector for Radiocarbon Dating work.

Professor H. Oeschger and Dr. H. H. Loosli of the Radiocarbon Laboratory of University of Bern have agreed to supply the first detector for the Laboratory. Machining diagrams for the detectors in three different designs have been obtained from various laboratories. The construction work of the detector will be taken up as soon as a small workshop is set up.

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IV. FIELD WORK

- Two members of the Palaeozoic Department visited:

 (i) Chaibasa and adjoining areas for the collection of Dolomite rocks for the recovery of micro-organisms of Pre-Gambrian age.
 (ii) Lower Gondwana exposures of Raniganj Coalfield for megafossil.
 (iii) Lower Gondwana exposure of Auranga Coalfield for megafossil and samples for microfossil study.
- An excursion was undertaken by a member of the Mesozoic Palaeobotany Department for collection of Triassic megafossils, petrified wood and palynological samples from the South Rewa Gondwana Basin, Madhya Pradesh.
- 3. Two members of the Cenozoic Department went on an excursion to Siwaliks exposed near Nahan and neighbouring areas. They visited Dhaula Kuan, Uttamwala, Saketi, Kala Amb, Mogi Nand and Nahan and made a good collection of fossil woods and palynological samples.
- One member of the Coal Department visited Regional Coal Survey Laboratories at Nagpur and Bilaspur for coal samples from drillings in Pathkera and korba Coalfields.
- Three members of the Coal Department visited the following areas:

- (i) Talchir Coalfield-A collection was made from the rocks exposet in various localities representing the Talchir to Panchet of this area.
- (ii) Cuttack- Coaly shales exposed in Sedheshwar Hill, West of Cuttack representing the Athgarh Stage, were collected.
 - (iii) Raniganj Coalfield Sediments exposed in Noonia Nala, Noonia Khal and Machkandha Jhor, representing Raniganj to Panchet transition were collected.
 - Three members of the Oil Department visited the Kutch area to check the mapping data of the Madh Formation.
- 7. Two members of the Oil Department undertook field excursion to Simla Hills in collaboration with the Geological Survey of India party to collect stratigraphically located samples from measured sections of the Narag-Sarahan and Baroti-Kumarhatti road sections. Some other localities were also visited for collecting the rock samples.
 - Two members of the Oil Department and one from the Oil India Ltd. visited the field areas of Namphuk, Mamchik and Mio in Arunachal Pradesh and Tipang Pani in Tirap district of Upper Assam for collecting the palynological rock samples from 10th December to 4th January, 1974.
 - 9. Two members of the Oil Department attended the Geological Survey of India Officers training camp from 10th October, 1973 to 19th January, 1974. They received training in topographical surveying, photogeology, quaternary geology, engineering geology, mapping of sedimentary and metamorphic rocks, ground-water geology, planetable surveying, geochemical prospecting, geophysi-

cal prospecting, section measurement and economic geology at Raipur, District, Dehradun and Olora, District, Mirzapur. Besides excursions were also made to Uttarkashi and Singrauli areas.

V. SPONSORED/COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH

A. Palaeozoic Department

Lower Carboniferous subsurface palynology from Libya

One bore-hole (A. 1-49) from Libya, ranging in depth from 1039 to 1452 meters (413 meters thick) has been investigated palynostratigraphically. The studies provide the first detailed knowledge of a mioflora closely comparable with the Tournaisan Vallatisporites Suite of the northern hemisphere. The mioflora (42 genera and 66 species) is divisible into two miofloral assemblage zones which encompass the whole Tournaisian, with a slight foreshadowing of Visean in the upper part of the borehole. The Libyan and other Southern hemisphere counterparts of the Vallatisporites-suite appear to be somewhat modified in their texture due to certain peculiar taxa of their own. A paper on this mioflora has been sent for publication (in collaboration with Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, France and Oil Palynology Department of the Institute.

B. Mesozoic Department

(i) Jurassic plant remains found at some new localities in the Jaisalmer District of Rajasthan have been studied in collaboration with O. N. G. C., Jodhpur. The plant fossils identified are? Gleichenites sp., Phlebopteris sp., Frond type 1, Ptilophyllum acutifolium, Otozamites imbricatus, Pterophyllum sp., Taeniopteris vittata. T. spatulata, Etatocladus conferta, Pagiophyllum sp.

- (ii) Study on the micro-and megaflora of the Jurassic in Central India has been started in collaboration with the Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta. The megafossils and some of the miospore types have been photographed.
- (iii) Collaborative research work is being carried out with the Geology Department, Revenshaw College, Cuttack, Orissa, on the fossil plants from the East Coast Gondwana.
- (iv) Four exposures of the Damuda Group in the Brahmini Coalfield, Rajmahal Hills have been palynologically investigated in collaboration with Coal Palaeobotany Department. The miospore assemblage comprises 27 genera.

C. Cenozoic Department

Study of fossil woods from the Tertiary of Blue Nile Valley, Ethiopia, with Prof. Y. Lemoigne, University of Lyon, France, G.S.I., C.F.R.I., Coal Survey Labs., N.D.C.D., and N.L.C. organization. I.C.C.P., and I.C.P.

D. Oil Palynology Department

- (i) Palynostratigraphical studies of the Tertiary Surface and subsurface rocks of Upper Assam. (Project supported by Oil India Ltd., Duliajan).
- (ii) Palynological invetigations of the Palaeocene sediments of the Shillong Plateau (in collaboration with the Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University).
- (iii) Palynostratigraphy of Libyan Basin N-W, Africa. (completed).

(iv) Palaeopalynology of the Bedouri Bore-hole, Queensland, Australia (in colloboration with Compagnie Francais des petroles, Talence, France).

VI A. TRAINING PROVIDED TO OUTSIDERS

- Mr. Dinesh Chander Garg ... Department of Geology Lucknow University, Lucknow.
- (ii) Mr. Sumant Kumar Gupta... do
- (iii) Mr. M.S. Rawat ... Botany Department, Govt. Degree College, Sehore,

VI B. TRAINING RECEIVED BY INSTITUTE STAFF

Sarvshri S.K. Kulshreshtha and N.C. Mehrotra of the Geology Section participated in the Officers 'Field Training Camp organized by the Northern Region of the Geological Survey of India from 11th October, 1973 to 12th January, 1974.

VII-TECHNICAL ASSISTANT TO OUTSIDERS

- Palynological consultation ... Oil India Ltd., Duliajan, Assam.
- Identification of fossil ... Prof. Y. Lemoigne, Uniwoods and leaf-impressions versity of Lyon, France. from the Tertiary of Ethipoia and consultation of literature.
- 3. Identification of struc- ... Prof. M.K. Bhoi, Head of tures looking like seeds. Botany Department, Laxmi Narayan College, Jharsuguda, Dist. Sambalpur, Orissa.

4. Rocks from extra-peninsula Permian, for palynological informations.

Geology Department Roorkee University.

5 Archaeological and other materials.

Archaeological Survey of India. Deccan College, Poona Director, Archaeology and Museums, Rajasthan. President Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun. Dr. V.M. Meher-Homji, Institute Français, Pondicherry.

Biopetrology of Lignite samples.

Neyveli lignite Corporation of India.

7. Identification of some ... seeds from the Siwalik beds.

Shri Anil K. Mathur, Geology Department, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

Identification of leaf ... 8 impressions.

Shri Mahesh Chandra, Geology Department, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

material and related palaeobotanical problems Commission Jodhpur.

9. Identification of Mesozoic Shri S. Singh and Shri N. P. Singh, Oil and Natural Gas

VIII-PAPERS AND LECTURES AT SYMPOSIA CONFERENCES/MEETINGS

1. Indian Lower Gondwana Flora - A review.

K. R. Surange III International Gondwana Symposium, Canberra.

- 2. Morphographical evolupollen grains and its significance in stratigraphy
- London Univer-D. C. tion in gymnospermous Bharadwaj sity, Arizona University, Arizona State University, New Texas University and Pennsylvania State University.
- 3. Recent trends in Botany-Palynology
- 61st Indian Sci. do Congr. Nagpur.
- 4. Palynology in Biostratigraphy and Palaeoecology of Lower Gondwanas in India.
- 6th Seminar of do CAS in Geology, Chandigarh.
- Invited proposals Nomenclature of lignite microconstituents.
- do International Commission, Lignite Nomenclature, Paris.
- 6. Proposals for definition for genetic coal types.
- do International Commission of Coal Nomenclature. France.
- Inter relationships of the palynofiras in Barakar Stage (Lower Gondwana) India.
- do IIIrd Indian Colloquium on Micropalaeontology and Stratigraphy, Chandigarh.
- 8. Palynological composition of the basal Gondwanas in India.
- do Meeting held on November 5th, 1973 in the Honour of Prof. Ir. W. van Leckwijck, Bruxelles.

A palynological recon- M. N. Bose VIth Colloque naissance of the Meso-Africain de Miczoic sediments of Zaire. ropalaeontologie, Tunis. 10. Changing Economy in Vishnu-Internat. Congress Ancient India. on Origins of Agri-Mittre. culture and IXth Internat. Conference of Anthropol Ethnol. Soc. Chicago. 11. The archaeobotanical IX Internat. Conf. do and Palynological evi-Anthropol Ethnol. dence for the early ori-Sos. Chicago. gin of agriculture in south and southeast Asia. 12. Indian cultivated plants do Department of Plant Introducin space and time. tion I. A. R. I., New Delhi. 13. Palynostratigraphy of S.C.D. Sah Annual meeting of the Palynological the Tertiary sediments of Assam with Society of India, special reference to Oil Calcutta. exploration programme. do Technical forum 14. Plant life through the of Oil India Ltd., ages. Duliajan. Fossil plants, their mode Department do 15. of preservation Geology and Geophysics, Roorkee methods of study. University,

Roorkee.

16.	Plant life through the	do	do
	ages.		training to the
17.	Plant fossils as indica- tors of palaeoenviron-	do	do
	ments.		
18.	Palynology, a new tool in Oil exploration.	do	do
19.	Introduction to palaeo- botany, kinds of fossils, modes of preservations and methods and tech- niques of study.	do	Advance Centre of Geology Punjab University Chandi- garh.
20.	Origin and evolution of plant life through geo- logic ages.	do	do
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21.	Plant distribution. mig- ration and palaeoenvi- ronmental interpreta- tion.	do	do
22.	Palaeobotany in relation to stratigraphy and economic geology.	do	do
23.	Palynological collections and laboratory tech-	do	do
	niques.		
24.	Palynology in the quest of Oil.	do	do
	(43)	

- 25. Ariadnaesporites Potonie. 1956.
- Morphology and strati- K. P. Jain IIIrd. Indian graphic significance of R. Y. Singh Colloquium on and micropalaeontology S.C.D. Sah. and stratigraphy, Chandigarh.
- flora.
 - Elements of Glossopteris P.K. Maithy Botany Department, Acharya Narendra Dev Mahila Maha Vidhyalaya, Kanpur.

IX REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES/ BOARDS

- 1. Dr. K. R. Surange
- Secretary, Editorial, Board, 'The Palaeobotanist'.

Organizer, Working Group in Palaeobotany and Palynology of the International Union of Geological Sciences Sub-commission on Gondwana Stratigraphy. Member, Sub-commission, VIII International Congress of Carboniferous Stratigraphy and Geology under IUGS. Member, Sectional Committee (VI), Indian National Science Academy.

2. Dr. R. N. Lakhanpal Chief Editor "Geophytology" (until December, 1973).

Member, Editorial Board, 'Palaeobotanist'. Member, Editorial Board, "Palaeontological Society of India".

3. Dr. D. C. Bharadwaj

Vice-President, International Committee on Palynology. Chairman, Organizing Committee, IV International Palynological Conference.

Member, International Commission on Carboniferous Stratigraphy.

Member, Editorial Boards of "Review of Palaeobotany and Palynology", "Palaeobotanist" and "Geophytology".

4. Dr. M. N. Bose

"Palaeobotanist".

Member, Committee
Scientifique, VI Colloque
Africain de Micropalaeontologie, Tunis.

Member, Permo-Triassic
Committee; VIth Colloque
Africain de Micropalaeontologie, Tunis.

5. Dr. Vishnu Mittre

Member, Central Advisory
 Board for Archaeology
 (Govt. of India).
 Member, Advisory Board.

Co-Chairman for Internat. Congress on origins of Agriculture, IX Internat. Anthropol. Ethnol, Conference at Chicago, 1973. Convener, Sub-Committee, History of Biological Sciences in India for Indian National Committee for Internat, Union of History and Philosophy of Science, (IUHPS). Vice-Chairman, Organizing Committee, IV International Palynological

World Pollen Flora.

6. Dr. S. C. D. Sah

... Secretary General, Organizing Committee IV International Palynological Conference.

Treasurer, College of the Fellows, Palynological Society of India.

Founder Member, College of the Fellows of the Palynological Society of India.

Conference.

- 7. Dr. K. M. Lele
- ... Chief Editor 'Geophytology'.
- 8. Dr. G. K. B. Navale
- ... Member, International Committee of Coal Petrology, Member, International

Commission of Coal and Lignite Nomenclature. Member, International Commission of Coal and Lignite Analysis. Executive member, "Gondwana Committee" of International Coal Petro-Executive member of Indian National Committee of Coal Petrology. Secretary, Organizing Committee IV International Palynological Conference.

9. Dr. H. P. Singh.

Committee, IV International Palynological Conference.

Member, Executive Committee, The Palaeobotanical Society.

10. Dr. K. P. Jain

... Assistant Editor "Geophytology". Secretary, Organizing Committee, IVth International Palynological Conference.

11. Dr. P. K. Maithy

... Assistant Editor "Geophytology".

12. Dr. H K. Maheshwari ...

Editor, Catalogue of Indian Fossil plants. Additional Secretary, Or-

ganizing Committeee, IV International Palynological Conference. Editor "Geophytology"

- 13. Dr. R. S. Tiwari
- Joint Secretary "The Palaeobotanical Society". Additional Secretary, Organizing Committee of the IV International Palynological Conference.
- 14. Dr. R. K. Kar
- ... Assistant Secretary, Organizing Committee, IV International Palynological Conference. Member Executive Committee, The Palaeobotanical Soceity.
- 15. Dr. H. P. Gupta
- ... Additional Secretary, Organizing Committee, IV International Palynological Conference.

X. DEPUTATION/TRAINING/STUDY ABOARD

- 1. Dr. R. K. Surange
- Canberra (Australia) to attend III International Gondwana Symposium from 20th—25th August, 1973. Afterwards visited (i) The Australian Museum, Sydney, (ii) Bureau of Mineral Resources, Canberra and (iii) Botanical Gardens, Singapore.

2. Dr. D. C. Bharadwaj

Boussens (France), to attend C. I. M. P meeting and Symposia from 12—15th September, 1973. Thereafter spent 4 weeks in U. K. visiting Museums and Research centres at the invitation of British Council and finally attended AASP meeting at Anheim (California) U.S.A.

3. Dr. M. N. Bose

Tunis, to attend the VI Colloque Africain de Micropalaeontologie from 21 March to 3 April, 1974

4. Dr. Vishnu Mittre

... Chicago, to attend IX International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences from 28 August, 1973 to 9 September, 1973.

XI. FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Founder's Day was celebrated on 14th November,
 the birth day of Professor Birbal Sahni, F. R. S.

In the morning wreaths and flowers were placed on the Samadhi of Professor Birbal Sahni.

The evening function started at 5,00 P M. Dr. M. L. Dhar, F. N. A. Director, Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow, was the Chief Guest at the well attended function.

Professor T. S. Sadasivan, Chairman, Governing Body welcomed the Chief Guest and other distinguished persons and guests

At 5.45 p.m. Professor Wilson N. Stewart, Professor of Botany, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, delivered the 21st Sir Albert Charles Seward Memorial Lecture entitled "Primary xylem, pteridosperms and the pteropsida."

Professor K. R. Surange, Director thanked the guests.

- (2) Professor D. D. Pant, F. N. A., Head of the Botany Department, Allahabad University, Allahabad, delivered the 3rd Professor Birbal Sahni Memorial Lecture entitled "The theory of Continental Drift in the light of recent researches" on Thursday the 15th November, 1973 at 5.30 p. m. at the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, Lucknow.
- (3) Professor B. M. Johri, F. N. A., Department of Botany, University of Delhi delivered the 3rd Silver Jubillee Commemoration Lecture entitled "Biology of the mistletoes" on 16th November, 1973, at 5.30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, Lucknow.

XII PUBLICATIONS

- The Journal The Palaeobotanist.
 - (a) Volum 20, number 1 to 3, were published during the year.
 - (b) Volume 21, number 1, is in page proof stage and Volume 21, number 2 in galley proof stage.
 - (c) Volume 21, number 3 is also with the press and galley proofs are awaited.

2. Seward Memorial Lecture

The XIX lecture was received from the Press and the

XX lecture "The water ferns - their origin" by Prof. T. S. Mahabale is in page proof stage.

3. Birbal Sahni Memorial Lecture

The first lecture was received from the Press. The second lecture by Prof. T. A. Bennet Clark was not received from the Author. The third lecture "The theory of Continental Drift in the light of recent researches" by Prof. D D. Pant has been sent to the Press.

4. Silver Jubilee Lecture

The first lecture was received from the Press. The second lecture on "Plants & Man" by Dr. B. K. Janaki Ammal is in page proof stage.

5. Symposia Numbers

The following five Symposia numbers were sent to the Press:—

- (a) Origin & Phytogeography of angiosperms.
- (b) Morphological and Structural Palaeobotany.
- (c) Stratigraphical Palynology.
- (d) Structure, nomenclature & classification of Pollen & Spores.
- (e) Late quaternary vegetational development in extra European areas

Of the above (a) has been published; (b) is in page proof stage and (c), (d) and (e) are in galley proof stage These are being published as "Special Publications of the Birbal Sahni institute of Palaeobotany."

6. Proceedings of the Autumn School

This is being published in a book form entitled "Aspects & Appraisal of Indian Palacobotany". There are sixty-seven contributions. This publication is also in page proof stage.

7. Annual Reports

The Annual Report for the year 1972-73 was printed and distributed.

8. Sale

During 1973-74 an income of Rs. 30,075.82 was registered from sale proceeds of the Institute's publications. This sum includes the following foreign exchange earned:—

U. S. \$.	 2,197.84
D. M.	 96.97
£.	 79.95

XIII. LIBRARY

Statement showing the details of stock for the year 1973-74.

S. No.	Details	Position as on 31.3.73	Added during 1973-74	Total
1.	Books	2,615	117	2,732
2.	Issue of Journals	5,694	160	5,854
3.	Reprints	31,230	339	21,569
4.	Microfilms	194	13	207

2. Exchange:

(i)	Number of papers purchased for exchange.	36
(ii)	Number of papers received as gift from Dr. R.V. Sitholey.	1036
(iii)	Number of papers received as gift from Prof. K.N. Kaul.	123
(iv)	Total number of reprints sent out on exchange.	1,842
(v)	Number of individuals on exchange.	
(vi)	Number of Institutions on exchange.	
70.00	Sets of papers of Prof. Birbal Sahni sent	7

Requests for exchange received from the following Institutions:

- Geologicky Ustav SAV Stefanikova 41,
 Bratislava, Czechoslovakia.
- (ii) Instituto di Geologia E Paleontologia, Dell' Universita Degli Studi, Piazxale Delle Scienze-00100, Roma.
- (iii) University of Tananarive, Exchange Service, Bibliothique Universitaire, Tananarive, B.P. 908. Tananarive, LE, MADAGASAR.
- (iv) Tashkent Abdulli Tukaeva I, Fundamentalanaja Biblioteka, Akademia Nauk Uz SSR, Mezdunarodnij Knigoobmen, USSR.

4. Visitors to the Library.

As usual a number of research students and scientists visited the Institute to consult the latest literature in Palaeo-botany and its allied topics available in this Library. Books, Journals and reprints were loaned to the following organisations:

- (i) Oil India Ltd., Duliajan (Upper Assam).
- (ii Botany Department, Lucknow University, Lucknow,
- (iii) Botany Department,Allahabad University Allahabad
- (iv) Central Plantation Crops Research Institute, Karnatak, India.

5. Display:

- (i) To promote closer acquaintance with the current scientific literature to the scientists, the new arrivals were displayed on every first working day of the week.
- (ii) The book jackets of the latest purchases among the books were kept on the display board, which are replaced with new arrivals.
- (iii) Current Awarenees Service This year a totally new technique of reader service wsa started, which is known as CURRENT AWARENESS SERVICE under which the paper cuttings of the latest development in the field of Palaeobotany and allied subjects are displayed.

6. Maintenance.

A large number of out of print and rare books and perio

dicals were reconditioned. The covers on many of the reprints were replaced.

7. Reprographic activities.

Multiple copies of some important out-of-print publications and some important official documents were made by the Panaprint Electrostatic Photocopying Machine.

8. Subject Catalogue.

All the articles in various publications received during the year were given their appropriate place in subject catalogue cards by providing suitable heading. In addition, more title and cross reference cards were also made.

9, Improvements:

- (i) Book Numbers—This year a new system has been introduced for arranging books on the Shelves. In this system the books are arranged under broad subjects by their numbers written clearly on a lable which is pasted on the spine of the book provided to every document, based on the Surnames of the authors. Cutter-Senborne tables are followed for the above purpose.
- (ii) Circulation—So far, for circulation of books and periodicals the register system was followed, in which the list of books and periodicals were being issued under the name of the scientists.

This year to save the precious time of the scientists, a new system of circulation has been introduced. In this system, instead of making entries on different pages of a register, cards have been prepared for each book, reprint and journal. Entries of issue and return are made on these cards much more quickly. This system also facilitates instant checking of items issued to individuals, borrowers and their due dates of return.

XIV. MUSEUM

A. Exhibition Halls:

1. Geology Hall (Hall No: 1) --

All the specimens and slides on exhibition have been properly catalogued. Efforts are in progress to have for each show case a cyclostyled booklet containing all informations about its exhibits. Labels and legends of the Quaternary show cases have been replaced with new ones.

2. Botany Hall (Hall No. 2)-

All exhibits of this hall have also been catalogued. The preparation of cyclostyled booklets for individual show cases is nearing completion, As the steel cabinets containing the type and figured specimens are still lying in this hall, it still remains closed to the visitors.

B. Fossil Store Hall (Hall No. 3):

The hall has been repaired and refloored. The fossil material which was removed out last year has been shifted back to this hall. The specimens have now been arranged department-wise. Printed labels have been prepared, to be fixed on the racks to indicate year of collection, Horizon, Locality and the name of the field party or the individual.

C. Type and figured specimens/slides etc :

The type and figured specimens/slides are still stored in Prof. Sanni's room. Their number as on 31.3.74 is;

(i)	Type and	Figured specimens	 1144
(ii)	Type and	Figured Slides	 4618
(iii)	Negatives specimens	of type and Figured	 3307

D. New Collections:

During this year collections were made from about 15 localities of India by the Institute staff.

(i) Palaeozoic	***	230	specimens	and	amples
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Total ... 701

E. Specimens received for investigation :

- (i) Palaeobotanical report of five petrified woods from Thailand has been sent to Mr. Swat Nichart Chief, National Park Section, Royal Forest Department, Bangkok-9, Thailand.
- (ii) A palaeobotanical and palynological report on one specimen received from the Deputy Director General, G.S.I. Northern Region, Lucknow for investigation has been sent to him.

F. Presentation of duplicate fossils.

Duplicate plant fossil specimens were sent to following:

- Prof. Yves Lemoigne, Laboratoire de Palacobotanique, Frances.
- (ii) Dr. S.K. Dutta,
 Department of Applied Geology,
 Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam.
- (iii) Shri Sushil Sarkar,Director of Arts,Govt. Museum and Arts Gallery, Chandigarh.

(iv) Prof. I.C. Pande, Director, Centre of Advanced Study in Geology, Department of Geology, Chandigarh –160014.

G. Presentation to the Museum.

Mr. B. Weber, 8023 Dresdon, Braunschweiger Str. 4, G.D.R. has presented 6 plant fossil specimens from Miocene stage of G.D.R.

H. Natural History Museum, New Delhi:

Specimens are being sorted out for donation to this museum.

XV. HERBARIUM

Herbarium Specimens

Addition of Plant specimens during the year...... 213 Total number of Plant specimens as on 31.3.74......9426

Fruits and Seeds

Woods

Pollen Slides

Total number of Pollen slides as on 31.3.74 ... 8022

Other Slides

Total number of slides as on 31.3.74 ... 4632

In connection with the identification of plant specimens three tours were undertaken by Herbarium staff, to Central National Herbarium, Howrah; Central Circle, B. S. I., Allahabad and F. R. I. and N. C. B. S. I., Dehra Dun. In total about 514 plant specimens were identified during the year. Besides, 30 different species important as herbarium representatives were collected from Howrah, W. Bengal and F. R. I. Dehra Dun, U. P. Exchange relations of herbarium specimens were established with the National Botanic Gardens, Lucknow, Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun and Central Circle, Botanical Survey of India, Allahabad. Two sets of 50 specimens each were sent to the two former institutions and 36 plant specimens were received from the last institution.

Through the Head, Quaternary Palynology Department 199 seed specimens were received from Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi; Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun; Indian Grass and Fodder Research Institute, Jhansi, U. P. Gifts of seeds and fruits were also received from National Botanic Gardens, Lucknow and Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun.

Fifty wood samples were received on payment from the Forest Research Branch, Sandakan, Sabah, Malayasia. Twentysix and Ninetytwo wood specimens were received in exchange, respectively from the Forest Product Research Division, Royal Forest Department, Thailand and Forest Research Institute, Pretoria, S. Africa. A few sets of Indian wood specimens meant for exchange were cut into standard size, and planed, to be sent to the parties who had demanded it. Two hundred twelve wood slides were received from the Cenozoic Palaeobotany Department of our institution. These slides have been incorporated in the Xylarium section. Six Palm wood and frond slides were given on loan to Dr. B. S. Trivedi, Potany Deptt., Lucknow University, Lucknow.

Indexing of pollen slides was also undertaken this year and almost half of the work was completed. Further, work was stopped due to non-availability of Index cards. Seventeen pollen slides were issued for study to Palynology section, National Botanic Gardens, Lucknow.

Index cards of the plant specimens of general herbarium of the following families were prepared. Acanthaceae, Amarantaceae, Ampelidaceae, Anacardiaceae, Annonaceae, Apocynaceae, Araliaceae, Aristolochiaceae, Asclepediaceae, Balanophoraceae, Begnoniaceae, Borberidaceae, Bignoniaceae, Bixineae, Boraginaceae, Burseraceae, Cactaceae, Capparidaceae, Caprifoliaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Casurinaceae, Celastraceae, Ceratophyllaceae, Chenopodiaceae, Combretaceae, Compositae.

Two members of the herbarium remained busy for 6 months, half day in the Library for physical verification.

On 19th February 1974 A. K. S. Rathore joined as Herbarium Assistant. Shri R. S. Ojha joined on 28th March, 1974 as Plant Collector.

A new section "The Phyllothek" of leaf collection in the herbarium has been started. The leaf collection would not only represent the shapes and sizes of leaves of different taxa but also give a clear picture of venation pattern. In each case the epidermis and mesophyll of the leaf are removed by chemical treatments and the skeleton of the leaf formed of veins is mounted on a slide. A few samples of cleared leaf have already been prepared and the results are encouraging. This section will be more useful in matching the leaf impressions of fossils taxa.

XVI. BUILDING

Apart from general maintenance of Building the following construction work was completed:—

- Construction of Carbon Dating Laboratory I Phase, including electric and sanitary fittings and fixtures.
- Construction of 6 Laboratory rooms including electric and sanitary fittings and fixtures.
- Reflooring of the Palaeozoic Department laboratory.
 In addition the following petty works were also done:
- (i) Aluminium strips fixed to Stairs leading to basement.
- (i i) Providing 4 Jali doors to Guest House.
- (iii) Redistempering of the entire Guest House
- (iv) Pucca Dust Bin behind the Institute Building.
- (v) Providing two bath rooms for servant quarters.
- (vi) Providing one closed Nali for the garden.

2. Garden

About 150 roses were propagated in the Institute's Campus by means of budding out of a which 80 survived. 40 were transferred from the rose bed to different sites of the Institute.

Some Crotons were also propagated.

40 cuttings of Bougainvillea were also transferred in pots.

XVII. VISITORS

1. Distinguished persons

Dr. Md. Sirajul Islam, Educational & Cultural Councillor, Bangladesh High Commission, New Delhi. Mr. S. Kisch, Research Associate, Florida University, U.S.A.

Prof. William Schopf, Deptt. of Geology, University of California, Los Angles, California, U.S.A.

Prof. Y. Lemoigne. Lyon, France.

Dr. A.S. Lopukhin, Geological Institute of the Academy of Sciences of Kirghiz, S.S.R., Frunze, U.S.S.R.

Prof. B.M. Johri, Head, Botany Department, Delhi University, Delhi.

Prof. N.S. Wulfron, Institute for Chemistry of Natural Products, U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences, Ul. Vovilove, Moscow, U.S.S.R.

Prof. Wilson N. Stewart, University Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

Dr. Mrs. G. Delle, Komarov Bot. Instt., Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

Prof. T. Delevoryas, University of Texas, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.

Dr. J.V. Rodricks, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. Prof. P.B. Bradley, Prof. of Pharmocology, Medical College. University of Birmingham, U.K.

Shri O.P. Agarwal, Chief Chemist & Head Central Conservation Lab., National Museum, New Delhi-11.

Dr. Md. Shamsul Haq. Geological Survey of Bangla Desh, Dacca.

Dr. Irfan Ali, Bangla Desh C.S.I.R., Dacca.

Mr. Mesbahuddin Ahmad, University Grants Commission, Dacca.

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S. Moitra, Candelarea, Dadar, Bombay.

Shri P.G. Gupta, Curator, National History Museum, New Delhi.

Km. Bharti Chatterjee, Artist, Natural History Museum, New Delhi.

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Department of Botany, S.G.N. Khalsa College, Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan.

Regional College of Education, Bhuvaneshwar.

Department of Botany, Gauhati University, Gauhati.

Botany Department, P.G.V. College, Gwalior.

D.M. College, Imphal (Assam).

University School of Science, Gujrat University, Ahmedabad,

Botany Department, Arya Vidyapith College, Gauhati, Assam. Shri H.L. Della and Party, B.N. College, Dhubri, Assam.

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Department of Botany, Udaipratap College, Varanasi.

Botany Students of Saugor University, M.P.

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Botany Department, C.M.P. Degree College, Allahabad.

Department of Geology and Geophysics, University of Roorkee, Roorkee.

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Department of Geology, Motilal Mahavidyalaya, Bhopal.

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Shri R. K. Saxena, M. Sc.

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Shri S. K. Kulshreshtha, M. Sc.

Shri N. C. Mehrotra, M. Sc.

C-14 Laboratory

Dr G. Rajagopalan, Ph. D. (Geophysicist Since 23.5.73)

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Shri V. P. Gulati (Deputy Registrar)

Shri S. D. Mehtani (Office Assistant)

Shri S. K. Suri (Stenographer)

Shri S. P. Chadha, B. A. (P. A. to Director)

Mrs. P. K. Srivastava (Receptionist)

Shri H. S. Srivastava, B. Com. (U. D. C.)

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Shri I. J. S. Bedi (Steno-typist)

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Shri R. K. Kapoor (L. D. C. Since 9. 2. 73)

Shri K. Devrajan (L.D.C. Since 13, 2, 73)

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ACCOUNTS

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Shri B. K. Jain, B. A. (U. D. C.)

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PUBLICATION

Shri N. N. Moitra, B. A. (Publication I/C. till 21. 2. 74 & Asstt. Editor Since 22. 2. 74)

Library

Shri J. N. Nigam, B. A., B. Lib. (Librarian)
Mrs. Y. Ahmad, B. A., B. Lib. (Library Asstt. from 22.6.73 to 1.3.74)

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Shri T. S. Mohan Shanker, B. Sc. (Museum Asstt.) on lien.

Shri N. C. Saxena, B. A. (Offg. Museum Asstt.)

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Shri B. Sekar, B. Sc.

Miss Kamla Amarlal, B. Sc.

(Scheme "Palynological Studies" from Oil India Ltd.)

Shri N. K. Khasnavis, B. Sc., LL. B. (Laboratory Asstt.)

Shri Vijay Singh (Glass Blower since 12.2.74)

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Shri I. J. Mehra, B. A. (Store-Keeper)

Photography & Drawing

Shri S. S. Rana (Artist)

Shri P. C. Roy (Photographer)

Balance Sheet As

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Capital Funds		
As per 31st March, 1973	21,98,122.60	
Govt. of India grants on		
Capital Account during		
the year	2,09,330.00	
Recurring grant used for		
Capital formation		
Library Trays 95.9	95	
Ft. Charges on gift 91.5	50	
Maps & Toposheet 2,794.3	36	
Library Books &		
Journals 17,406.59	9 20,388.40	
Less	24,27,841.00	
Refunds to Govt. out of		
Capital Grant	801.77	24,27,039.23
Add Excess of Rev. Grants over R	lev.	2,42,676.47
Expenditure		
Add Funds provided by other organisations for Capital		
Formation:		
M. G. T. Scheme (C.S.I.R		
Coal Scheme ,,	7,784.66	
Palynology Scheme ,,	5,207.87	
Rajasthan Scheme (Spon		
sored by Univ. of Wiscons	sin) 58,913.25	80,006.57
To	tal C/o	27,49,722.27

On 31st March, 1974

ASSETS	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Land-Donated By U. P. Gov	vernment	32,292.00
Works and Building		
As per 31st March, 1973	10,51,167.96	
During the year	52,863.80	11,04,031.76
Apparatus & Equipments		
(A) Apparatus & Equipment		
As per 31st March, 1973	5,64,628.28	
During the year	7,242.70	
(B) Workshop Equipment		
As per 31st March, 1973	62,213.95	
(C) Office & Misc. Equipment		
As per 31st March, 1973	44,225.00	
During the year	2,053.37	
(D) Ptant and Machinery		
As per 31st March, 1973	77,805.19	
During the year	3,391.44	
Establishment of C-14		
Laboratory	94,551.06	8,56,113.99
Apparatus & Equipments ((Donated)	
M. G. T. Scheme	7,155.79	
Burmah Oil Company	700.00	
Founders Donation	2,500.00	
Coal Scheme	6,645.29	
Palynology Scheme	5,207,87	
Rajasthan Scheme	21,138.90	43,347.85
Tota	l Carried Over	20,35,785.60

Balance Sheet As

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Balance Bro	ught Forward	27,49,722.27
Cost of Land Donation by		
U. P. Government		32,292.00
UNESCO Aid Fund		19,629.75
Value of Gift in Kind-Humb	oldt	
Foundation W. Germany		75,000.00
Contributory Provident Fund		8,54,650.15
Donation Accounts		
C. D. P. Memorial Fund	1,626.88	
C. L. K. Memorial Fund	2,196.00	
P. C. B. Memorial Fund	1,961.75	
A. C. Seward Memorial Fund	7,419.50	
P. N. Srivastava Memorial		
Fund	2,200.00	
Other Donations	7,210.90	
Dorothy Walton	352.70	22,967.73
Founders Donation Account		1,52,500.00
Burmah Oil Company		1,900.00
Deposits Accounts		15,440,22
Value of Priced Publications		
as per Contra		2,23,534.00
Loans and Advances		51,914.00
Sundry Creditors		
For Salaries and Wages		287.00
	Total C/o	41,99,837.12

On 31st March, 1974

ASSETS	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Balance Brought	Forward	20,35,785.60
UNESCO Aid Equipment		19,629.75
Humboldt Foundation W. G (Gift of Microscope)	ermany	75,091.50
Vehicles		56,433.65
Furniture and Fixtures		
As per 31st March, 1973	3,07,885.23	
During the year	13,192.47	3,21,077.70
Furniture and Fixtures (D	Oonated)	
Burmah Oil Company	1,200.00	
M. G. T. Scheme	945.00	
Coal Scheme	1,139.37	
Rajasthan Scheme	979.70	4,264.07
Books and Journals		
As per 31st March, 1973	13,693.74	
During the year	20,049.18	
Founders Library Donated	50,000.00	83,742.92
Maps and Toposheets		
As per 31st March, 1973		6,503.76
	Total C/o	26,02,528.95

Balance Sheet As

LIABILIT	IES	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Balance	Brought Forwa	ard	41,99,837.12
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On 31st March, 1974

ASSETS	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Balance Brought Forward	-12 	26,02,528.95
Founders Fossil Collection (Do	nated) —	50,000.00
Donation Account		
Investments	_	17,500,00
Contributory Provident Fun	d	
Investments		6,21,560.93
Advances out of G. P. F.	_	67,509.00
Insurance Policies subscribe	ed	
out of G.P.F. to the extent	of —	31,526.00
Priced Publication in Stock		
"The Palaeobotanist" Volume 1–20	1,35,905.00	
"Seward Memorial Lecture	39	
Nos. 1, 2, 4-8, 11-19	19,076.00	
Silver Jubilee Lecture No. 1	984.00	
Birbal Sahni Memorial Lecture No. 1	984.00	
Symposium on "Floristics &	ž.	
Stratigraphy of Gondwanal	and" 22,400.00	
Monograph "Revisions of		
Indian Fossil Plants		
Part III-Monocotyledons"	43,800.00	
Picture Post Cards	385.00	2,23,534,00
Loans & Advances		
Conveyance Advances	47,748.00	
Festival Advances	3,500.00	
Flood Relief Advances	666,00	51,914.00
Carried Over		36,66,063.88

Balance Sheet As

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT Rs.	AMOUNT Rs.
Balance	e Brought Forward	41,99,837.12

Grand Total: 41,99,837.12

Sd/- Ghanshyam Singh Accounts Officer Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, C. P.-II, Lucknow.

Lucknow.

Sd/- V. B. Saxena Section Officer

On 31st March, 1974

ASSETS	AMOU Rs.	NT AMOUNT Rs.
Balance Bro	ught Forward	36,66,063.88
Sundry Debtors		
For unsettled Ad	vance C. R.	
Account	47,0	074.40
For unsettled Ad	vance C. N. R.	
Account	14,	885.03 61,959.43
Unesco Book Coupo	ons	8,330.23
Cash Balances		
At Bank		
Current Account	at S. B. I.	
Lucknow	3,28,9	980.44
Savings Bank Acc	count at S.B.I.	
Lucknow	1,34,0	054.22 4,63,034.66
In hand		
Cash in hand (C/	A) Account	423.74
Cash in hand (Oi	il India	
Scheme)		16.16 439.90
Gra	and Total	41,99,837.12
Sd/. Gurcharan Singh	Sd/- G.D. Agarwal	Sd/- K.R. Surange
Reglstrar	Zonal Audit Offic	er Director
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Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
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Academic Expenses			
To Pay & Allowance of 1, academic Staff	68,791.	58 2,63,437,77	4,32,229.35
To field Excursions		11,999.85	11,999,85
To Refresher Course			
Expenses	_	_	-
To Honorarium to			
Lecturers:			
(i) Birbal Sahni Memo-	_		
rial Lecturer	_	350.00	350.00
(ii) Silver Jubilee Memo-	_		
rial Lecturer.	_	350,00	350.00
To training of Academic	_		
staff at G.S.I. Camp	_	3,870.39	3,870.39
To International	-		
Programmes:			
Deputations Abroad	-	24,814,60	24.814.60
To Series of Extension			
Lectures	-	No. 3 area	
To Honorarium to Foreign			
Visiting Scientists	_		_
To Presentation of Medals	11	ac yes <u>li</u> us	
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Year Ending 31st March, 1974

Income -	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Balance of Last Year's Grant on Revenue	electra.	I I brawnig i	dgéon
A/C allowed for ex- penditure during cur- rent year, Silver			
Jubilee and Oil India Grant A/C.	_	59,568.89	
By Grants from Govt, of India on Revenue			
Account 2,83,			
By Grants from Govt. of India for Silver Jubilee		Requirement Requirement mer of Loc	
By Grants from U. P. Govt. on Revenue A/C.	_	5,000.00	5,000.00
By Grants from Govt. of India for Res.			
Scholarship	_		15,054.00
By Grants from other O	rganisa	tions	
(i) Oil India Ltd.	_	10,000.00	10,000.00
(ii) Subventions from			
Universities and			
U. G. C. for Silver			
Jubilee Celebrations	_	3,303.55	3,303.55

Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward 1,6	8,791.58	3,04,822.61	4 73,614.19
Expenses on Services			
Anciliary to Resarch			
To Pay & Allowances of		Silver .	
	1,319.31	97,531.14	1,28,850,45
To Chemicals, Glass-			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
ware, Photogoods &			
Small Apparatus etc.		23,521.05	23,521.05
To Library Requirements		19,972.43	19,972.43
To Museum Requirements		2,937.79	2,937.79
To Herbarium Requirement	ts —	2,008.08	2,008.08
To Maintenance of Equip-			
ment & Apparatus &			
Workshop Machinery etc.	-	A 1000 (100 (100)	0.5 15 77.3
To Publication Expenses			
"The Palaeobotanist"	_	28,754.62	28,754.62
Symposium	-	_	_
Monograph	0.773	onité en col	1000-
Birbal Sahni Memorial			
Lecture	-	382.80	382.80
Silver Jubilee Memorial			
Lecture	-	328.00	328.00
Seward Memorial Lecture	_	475.60	475.60
Annual Report	_	2,150.32	2,150.32

Carried Over 2,00,110.89 4,82,884.44 6,82,995.33

Year Ending 31st March, 1974

Income	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward 2,83	3,000,00 1	1,07,266.44 13	3,90,266.44
By Sale Proceeds of Pub	lications		
(i) The Palaeobota-			
nist	-	29,309.62	29,309.62
(ii) Monographs	-	296.30	296.30
(iii) Symposium	-	134.40	134.40
(iv) Seward Memorial			
Lecture.	_	335.50	335.50
(v) Picture Post Cards	-	562.00	562.00
By other Income			
(i) By Vehicle charges	_	485,34	485.34
(ii) By Telephone charge		401.95	401.95
(iii) By Visiting Scien-	3	101.55	101.5
tist room charges	-	235.00	235.00
By Miscellaneous Recei	nts and B	ecoveries	
Miscellaneous Receipts	pes and r	CCOVERICS	
and Recoveries	284.98	5,863.30	6,148.28
Recoveries of Flood	201.30	5,005.50	0,110.20
Advance	-	4,250.00	4,250.00
Recoveries of Convey-		1,200.00	1,200.00
ance Advance	_	1,610.00	1,610.00
		1,010.00	1,01010
Recoveries of Festival			
Advance	_	i	May 7
Receipt from Contractors		480,00	480.00
Interest on Advances		1.40	1.40

Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Farward	2,00,110.89	4,82,884.44	6,82,995.33
To Travelling and oth	er		
For Governing Body, Scientific Programme Evaluation Committee Selection Committee			
meetings		4,649.78	4,649.78
For attending Scientific meetings & Conference in India and for othe purposes. To Reimbursement of			5,466.69
Medical Expences	4,124.47	14,163.74	18,288,21
To Over Time Allowance	e 475.06	1,209.84	1,684.90
To Leave Travel Concession To Honorarium to Secretary to Chairma	98.40 n —	173.53 600,00	271.93
To Reinbursement of Tuition Fee	_	298.24	298.64
To Child Education Allowance	_	720.00	720.00
Total C/O Rs. 2,	04,808.82	5,10,166.26	7,14,975,08

Year Ending 31st March, 1974

Income	Plan	Non-Plan	n Total
Brought Forward	2,83,284.98	11,51,231.25	14,34,516.23

Carried Over

2,83,284.98 11,51,231.25 14,34,516.23

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF

Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward 2	,04,808.82	5,10,166.26	7,14,975.08
To General Expenses			
To Pay & Allowance of			
Administrative staff	22,535.83	1,65,526.93	1,88,062.76
To Telephone & Trunk			
Call charges	-	12,052.25	12,052.25
To Postage	-	5,849.75	5,849.75
To Advertisement char-			
ges		5,773.42	5,773.42
To Hot & Cold Weather			
charges	_	1,700.00	1,700.00
To Petrol & Mobil Oil	619.00	4,241,26	4,860.26
To Electricity charges		10,017.42	10,017.42
To Municipal Taxes		4,377.18	4,377.18
To Insurance of Vehicles			
& Library	-	589.25	589.25
To Uniform to Class IV			
Staff	_	3,205.69	3,205.69
To Printing & Stationery		6,993.53	6,993.53
To Customs Duty &			
Port Trust charges	_	180.85	180.85
To Railway Ft. & Carri-			
age	_	728.23	728.23
To Entertainment All. to			
Director	-	1,246.09	1,246.09

Year Ending 31st March, 1974

	Income	Plan	Non-Pia	an Total
Brou	ght Forward	2,83,284.98	11,51,231 25	14,34,516.23

Carried Over

2,83,284.98 11,51,231.25 14,34,516.23

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward	2,27,963.65	7,32,648.11	9,60,611.76
To Miscellaneous & Un-			
forseen Exps.	70.00	7,862.41	
To Leave Salary	5,053.58	18,382.74	23,436.32
To Maintenance Expen	ises		
To Building	_	1,950.01	1,950.01
To Garden	_	1,456.17	1,456.17
To Vehicles	1,260.80	2,502.42	3,763.22
To Repairs & Renewals	_	3,933.01	3,933.01
To Petty Construction		4,897.10	4,897.10
To Other Expenses			
To contribution to Pro- vident Fund	6,216.00	19,505.00	25,721.00
To Legal advice	_		
To Medical advice		28.00	28.00
To Festival advance		3,500.00	3,500.00
To Flood Relief Advance	_	_	_
To Conveyance advance	-	49,358.00	49,358.00
To Oil India Expenses			
To Pay & Allowances To T. A. Expenses To Contingencies	} -	9,031.12	9,031.12
To Silver Jubilee Expe	nses		
To Silver Jubilee Publi-			
cation	_	1,551.88	1,551.88

Year Ending 31st March, 1974

Income Income	Plan	Non-Plan Tota
Brought Forward 2,83,2	84.98 1	1,51,231.25 14,34,516.23
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Income & Expenditure Account for the

Expenditure	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward	2,40,564.03	8 8,56,605.97 1	0,97,170.00
To Govt. of India Sch	0-		
larships Expenses	_	15,053.72	15,053.72
To Last Year's Exces	s Expendi	iture	
Central Recurring gran	nt		
account	44,811.02	24,675.49	69,486.51
Govt. of India Re			
Scholarship grant A/	C —	00.53	00.53
To expenditure o transfer to C. N. F A /C		5,105.00	5,105,00
To expenditure of	n		
Misc. Receipts	_	• 4,887.00	4,887.00
	2.85.375.05	9,06,327.71 1	
Excess of revenue over expenditure (-)2		2,44,903.54(+)	2,42,813.47
Grand Total Rs.	2,83,284.98	11,51,231.25 1	4,34,516.23
Sd./-Ghanshyam Sing Accounts Officer		Sd /- V. E Section	3. Saxena Officer
Birbal Sahni Institute Palaeobotany, Luckno		C. P. II, I	Lucknow.
Sd./	- Gurcharar Registra		
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Year Ending 31st March, 1974

Incom	ne	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forw	ard	2,83,284.98	11,51,231.25	14,34,516.23

Grand Total Rs. 2,83,284.98 11,51,231.25 14,34,516.23

Sd/- G. D. Agarwal Zonal Audit Officer, Lucknow Zone, Lucknow Sd/- K. R. Surange
Director
Birbal Sahni Institute of
Palaeobotany, Lucknow.

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF Receipt and Payment Account for the

Receipts	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
To Opening Balance	1,03,154.85	LET - TRAW	1,03,154.85
Bank Account (Misc		60.00	60.00
Cash Account	_	155.42	155.42
Oil India Account			
Bank Account	_	1,448.52	1,448,52
Cash Account	_	21.16	21.16
Donation Account			
Bank Account	_	15,370.23	15,370.23
Silver Jubilee Accou	nt		
Bank Account	-	57,883.79	57.883.79
Amount spent out of b	alance	_	
now recouped	_	-	-
Refund of Excursion A	dvance	_	
Proceeds of Cancelled	cheque	-	_
To Govt. of India Gran (REV. A/c)	nts 2,09,330.00	_	2.09,330.00
To Govt, of India (Rev. A/c)	2,83,000.00	10,14,340.00 1	2,97,340.00
Govt. of India Grants (S. J. A/c)	_	_	_
To Govt. of India Res. Schol. Grants	_	15,054.00	15,054.00
To Govt of U. P. Rese	arch Grant	5,000.00	5,000.00
To Grants from other	organisations	:	
Silver Jubilee	_	3,303.55	3,303.55
Oil India	_	10,000,00	10.000.00

Carried Over 5,95,484.85 11,22,636.67 17,18,121.52

eriod 1,4.1973 to 31.3.1974

Payments	Plan N	on-Plan	Total
By Opening Balance	44,811.02	24,676.02	69,487.0
By Works & Building	52,009.70	_	52,009.70
By Researsh Apparat	us &		
Equipment	18,871.00	_	18,871.00
By Equipment for ser	vices		
Ancilliary to Rese	arch:		
Photography section	3,254.30	_	3,254.30
Library	3,837.59	_	3,837.59
Herbarium	e rat ion o		la 1 - o'
Museum	2,053.37	_	2,053.37
Workshop, Maceration,			
Auditorium and Lab. S	tores 460.00	_	460.00
Visiting Scientist Room	1,484.59	_	1,484.59
Garden Equipment	_	-	_
Office and Misc. Equipm	nent 3,391.44	_	3,391.44
C-14 Laboratory	1,02,886.74	-	1,02,886.74
By Furniture & Fixtur	res 10,811.03	_	10,811.03
By Vehicles	_	-	_
By Refund of Grants	to		
Government			
Capital Grants	801.77	_	801.77
Revenue Grants	-	-	
Silver Jubilee Grants	_	_	_
By Pay and Allowance	es:		
Pay (Academic)	1,14,935.30	1,83,382.76	2,98,318.06
Pay (Auxiliary Tech-			- 3
nical)	13,707.37	45,514.74	59,222.11

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF Receipt and Payment Account for the

Receipts	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Farword	5,95,484.85	11,22,636.67	17,18,121.52
To Sale Proceeds of	Publication	ns:	
The Palaeobotanist	-	29,309.62	29,309.62
Monograph	_	296.30	296.30
Symposium	_	134.40	134.40
Seward Memorial Le	ecture	335.50	335.50
Picture Post Cards		562.00	502,00
To Administrative R	eceipts	5	
Income Tax	8,672.00	18,575.00	27,247.00
Insurance Premium			
(S. S. Scheme)	5,599.84	17,384.68	22,984.52
C. T. D. (Post Office	180.00	470.00	650.00
Vehicle Charges	_	485.34	485.34
Telephone Charges	_	401.95	401.95
V. S. Room Charges	_	235.00	235.00
Recovery of Advance			
Interest Under C.P.I	7. 17,868.00	53,769.00	71,637.00
C. P. F. Subscription	n 9,317.00	28,749.00	38,066.00
Excess Subsription o	f		
C. P. F.	1,535.00	4,980.00	6,515.00
Misc. receipts &			
Recoveries	284.98	5,863.30	6,148.28
To Loans and Advan	ices		
Recovery of Flood F	Relief		
Advance	_	4,250.00	4,250.00

Period 1.4.1973 to 31.3.1974

Payment	Plan N	on-Plan	Total
Brought Forward	?,73,315.22	2,53,573.52	6,26,888.74
Pay (Administrative)	8,895.20	80,271.58	89,166.78
Leave Salary	5,053.58	18,382.74	23,436.32
Dearness Pay	28,860.03	74.682.74	1,03,542.77
Dearness Allowance	14,993.64	43,003.80	57,997.44
House Rent Aflowance	18,236.28	38,000.18	56,236.46
City Compensatory			
Allowance	8,968.59	21,110.38	30,078.93
Interim Relief	14,050.31	40,529.66	54,579,97
Children Educational			
Allowance	_	720.00	720.00
Over time Allowanee	475.06	1,209.84	1,684.90
Reimbursement of Medi	cal		Lorinit!
Expences	4,124.47	7 14,163.74	18,288.21
Reimbursement of Tuitie	on		
Fees	_	298.24	298.24
Leave Travel Concession	98.40	173.53	271.93
Hon. to Secy. to Chairm	an —	600.00	600.00
By Travelling Allowar			
For Governing Body, & Selection Committee Meetings etc.		4,649.78	4,649.78
For attending meetings & Conference in India & for other purposes		6,861.09	6,861.09
By Maintenance of Pr	operty		
For Building	_	1,950.01	1,950.01

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF

Receipt and Payment Account for the

Receipts	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought forward	6,38,941.67 1	2,88,437.76 19	,27,379.43
Recovery of Festiva	1		
Advance	-	_	
Recovery of convey Advance.	arce	1,611.40	1,611.00
To Deposits	162 165 171		
Security Deposits	15,440,22	480.00	15,920.22
Miscellaneous Depo	osits —	_	-
Donations & Endov	vments		
Donation	_	_	_
Proceeds of Mature	d Securities	4,000.00	4,000,00
Interest	-	447.50	447.50

Period 1.4.1973 to 31.3.1974

Brought Forward 4	,77,070.78	6,00,180.83	0,77,251.61
For Garden	_	1,456.17	1,456.17
For equipment & Apparat	us —	-	_
For Vehicles	1, 60.80	2,502.42	3,763.22
For Repairs & Renewals	_	3,933.01	3,933.01
For Petty Constructions	_	4,897.10	4,897.10
By Contingencies			
For Telephone & Trunk			
Call Charges	_	12,052.25	12,052.25
For Postage	_	5,849.75	5,849.75
For Advertisement	_	5,773.42	5,773.42
For Hot & Cold weather			
Charges	_	1,700.00	1,700.00
For Petrol & Mobile Oil	619.00	4,241.26	4,860.26
For Electricity Charges	_	10,017.42	10,017.42
For Municipal Taxes	_	4,377.18	4,377.18
For Insu. of Vehicles & I	Liberary	589.25	589.25
For Liveries to Subordina	te Staff	3,205.69	3,205.69
For Printing and Statione	ry —	6,993.53	6,993.53
For Custom duty & Port			
Trust Charges	_	180.85	180.85
For Railway Ft. & Carria	ge —	728.23	728.23
For Entertainment Allowa	nnce		
to Director		1,246.09	1,246 09
For Miscellaneous and	-		
Unforeseen	70.00	7,862.41	7,932,14

BIRAAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF

Receipt and Payment Account for the

Receipts	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
Brought forward	6,54,381.89	12,94,976.66	19,49,358.55	-

Carried Over 6,54,381.89 12,94,976.66 19,49,358.55

Period 1.4 1973 to 31.3.1974

Payment Pla	n	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward 4,79	,020.58	6,77,786.86	11,56,807.49
For Glassware and Che-			
micals etc.		23,521.05	23,521.05
For Library requirements	-	19,972.43	19,972.43
For Museum Require-			
ments		2,937.79	2,937.79
For Herbarium Require-			
ments		2,798.08	2,798.08
For Legal Advice		_	_
For Medical Advice		28.00	28.00
By Publication			
For the Palaeobotanist	-	28,754.62	28,754.62
For Symposium	_	_	_
For Monograph		-	-
For Seward Memorial			
Lecture		475.60	475.60
For Annual Report	-	2,150.32	2,150.32
For Birbal Sahni Memo-			
rial Lecture		382.80	382.80
For Silver Jubilee Memo-			
Lecture	-	328.00	328.00
By Academic Expenses			
For Field Excursion	-	16,889.85	16,889.85
For Refresher Course			
Expenses			
For Honorarium to Lec- turers:			

Carried Over

4,79,020.58 7,76,025.40 12,55,045.98

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF

Receipt and Payment Account for the

Payment	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward	6,54,381.89	12,94,976.66	19,49 358.55

Carried Over 6,54,381.89 12,94,976.66 19,49,358.55

Period 1.4.1973 to 31,3.1974

Payment	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward 4,79	,020.58	7,76,025.40	12,55,045,98
Birbal Sahni Memo.			
Lecture		350.00	350.00
Silver Jubilee Memorial			
Lecture		350.00	350.00
Sir A. C. Seward Memo-			
rial Lecture out of			
Donation Account	_	350.00	350.00
For Training of Acade-			
mic staff at G. S. I.			
Camp.	_	3,870.39	3,870.39
By International Program	nmes		
Air passage for members			
of staff proceeding on			
foreign fellowships or			
invited to attend Scien-			
tific meetings and			
Conferences Abroad		24,814.60	24,814.60
International Cultural			
Exchange Programmes	-	_	
Honorarium to Foreign			
Visiting Scientists	-	prose-	_
By Silver Jubilee Celebra	ition		
Silver Jubilee Publica-			
tions		41,551.88	41,551.88
Carried Over 4,79	020 58	8 47 319 97	13,26,332.85

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF Receipt and Payment Account for the

	Payments	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
100	Brought Forward	6,54,381.89	12,94,976.66	19,49,358.55	

Carried Over

6,54,381.89 12,94,976.66 19,49,358.55

Period 1.4.1973 to 31.3.74

Receipts	Plan	Non-plan	Total
Brought Forward 4,	79,020.58	8,47,312.27	13,26,332.85
By C.P.F. Account			
Contribution towards C.P.F. C.P.F. Subscription transferred to	6,216.00	19,505.00	25,721.00
	0,852.00	33,729.00	44,581.00
Recovery of Advances & Interest thereon transferred to C.P.F. Acccount	17,868.00	53,769.00	71,637.00
By Miscellaneous			
Income Tax Remitted Insurance Premium	8,672.00	18,575.00	27,247.00
Remitted C.T.D. Amount	5,599.84	17,384.68	22,984.52
Remitted	180.00	470.00	650.00
By Government of Ind Scholarship	lia	15,053.72	15,053.72
By Loans and Advance	es		
Flood Relief	_	_	se unions
Festival Advance	-	3,500.00	
Conveyance Advance	-	49,358.00	49,358.00
By Oil India Expenses	_	9,031.12	9,031.12
By Expenditure out of Misc. Receipts—	-	4,887,00	4,887.00
Carred Over 5,2	28,408.42	10,72,574.79	16,00,983.21

BIRBAL SAHNI INSTITUTE OF

Receipt and Payment Account for the

Payment	Plan N	Non-Plan	Total
Brought Forward	6,54,381.89	12,94,976.66	19,49,358.55

Grand Total	6,54,3	81.89 12,94	976.76 19,49,358.55
		Closing	Balance
	Bank		Cash
	Recurring	Non-	Recurring Non-
		Recurring	Recurring
Plan	(-)2,090.07	1,28,063,54	150.00
Non-Plan			
Central Recurr	ing —	1,75,482.63	273.74
Scholarship	_	(-) 00.25	_
Oil India	_	2,422.40	16.26
Silver Jubilee	_	19,635.46	_
Donation and I	Endow —	5,467.73	_
ment		2,03,007.22 (—) 00. 2 5	289.90
		2,03,006.97	marian de la companya

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Period 1.4.1973 to 31,3.1974

Receipts	·Plan	Non-Plan	Total		
Brought Forward	5,28,408.42	10,72,574.79	16,00,983.21		
By Amount Transfe	rred				
to C.N.R. Deposit					
Account	: -	5,105.00	5,105.00		
By Donation Accous	nt				
Expenses					
By Investment in					
F.D.R. at S.B.I.		14,000.00	14,000.00		
By Closing Balance	1,25,973.47	2,03,296.87	3,29,270.34		
Grand Total : Rs.	6,54,381.89	12,94,976.66	19,49,358.56		
Sd/- V.B. Saxer			.D. Agarwal,		
	Section Officer		Zonal Audit Officer		
C.PII, Luckno	w.		Audit Officer nel, Lucknow		
Sd/- Ghanshyam Sir	ngh	Lucknow Zon			
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Sd/- Ghanshyam Sir	ngh	Sd/- Guro	nel, Lucknow haran Singh,		
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