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Innovating Human Landscapes: Pathways to Environmental Sustainability for Viksit Bharat @ 2047

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About Vallabh Vidyanagar:

Vallabh Vidyanagar is a town and a municipality in Anand district in the Indian State of Gujarat. It is located between Ahmedabad and Vadodara, 6 km from the town of Anand. V. V. Nagar is known as educational hub of Gujarat.

History:

Vallabh Vidyanagar was founded in 1945 by visionaries Shri Bhailalbhai Patel (Bhaikaka) and Shri Bhikhabhai Patel. Inspired by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, they transformed a desolate, wooded ravine at the tri-junction of Karamsad, Bakrol, and Anand into a model educational township to uplift rural India.

Vision and Planning

- **Rural Upliftment:** Sardar Patel inspired Bhaikaka to leave public service and work for rural development, leading to the idea of a rural university township.
- **Charutar Vidya Mandal (CVM):** Established in August 1945 as a public charitable trust to spearhead educational and developmental projects.
- **Land Acquisition:** Local farmers generously donated around 500 acres of land through an enlightened self-interest scheme where one-tenth of the donated land was returned as residential plots.

Naming and Early Growth

- **Naming the Town:** Freedom fighter Indulal Yagnik suggested the name Vallabh Vidyanagar (Town of Knowledge named after Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel).
- **Inauguration:** The foundation stone of the township was officially laid by India's first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, on February 13, 1949.

CHARUTAR VIDYAMANDAL:

Inspired by Shri Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, visionaries Shri Bhailalbhai Patel and Shri Bhikhabhai Patel laid the foundation for rural transformation in post-independence India through education. This vision led to the establishment of Charutar Vidya Mandal (CVM) in 1945 as a charitable trust aimed at promoting rural development, social awakening, and upliftment. CVM distinguished itself by using quality education as a catalyst for social change and played a key role in establishing Sardar Patel University, where Shri Bhailalbhai Patel served as the first Vice-Chancellor.

The founders' efforts were strengthened by the philanthropic spirit of the region, and later consolidated by Dr H. M. Patel. In the 1990s, Dr C. L. Patel expanded CVM's vision during India's liberalization era by introducing self-financed institutions in emerging fields like engineering, biotechnology, and management. This led to significant growth, including the development of New Vallabh Vidyanagar as a satellite educational township.

Today, under the leadership of Er Shri Bhikubhai Patel, the Chairman, CVM and the continues to evolve, marked by the establishment of The CVM University, reinforcing its mission of nurturing skilled professionals and contributing to regional and national development. He is also the President of the CVM University as well.

SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY

Sardar Patel University was established by an Act of the Legislative Assembly of the then Bombay Province in December 1955 and was recognised under 2f of the UGC Act in October 1968. The university has completed more than six decades of golden years of a fruitful existence that has brought it to the forefront in terms of its academic excellence. No wonder, then, efforts have been made either to emulate its example or to replicate it elsewhere in Gujarat!

Sardar Patel University comprises of 27 Postgraduate Departments, a constituent college, and 133 colleges affiliated to it. There are 31 PG courses available in the affiliated colleges/institutions. The teaching programme covered at Postgraduate level under various faculties such as Science, Arts, Commerce, Management, Engineering, Pharmacy, Medicine, Homeopathy, Home Science, Law and Education includes Postgraduate Degree Courses, Postgraduate Diploma Courses, Diploma Courses, and Advanced Certificate Courses.

NALINI-ARVIND & TV PATEL ARTS COLLEGE, VALLABH VIDYANAGAR: (NAAC 'A' Grade)

Named after the children of donor Shri Dahyabhai S. Patel, Nalini and Arvind, the college was established in 1959. Initially functioning as the Arts wing of Vitthalbhai Patel Mahavidyalaya, it later emerged as an independent institute due to rising student enrolment. The institute gained early recognition when it was selected by the University Grants Commission (UGC) for the COHSIP programme (1975–1980) and received the Government of Gujarat's Best Arts College Award in 1979–80. It offers a three-year Bachelor of Arts programme affiliated with Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Its vision draws inspiration from Nalanda and Takshashila, symbolizing continuous knowledge creation and holistic student development. The institute is committed to preserving the richness of humanities while promoting globally relevant knowledge. It fosters creativity, innovation, and value-based education, emphasizing equality, fraternity, and social justice to build responsible citizens.

Offering a B. A. programme with 11 major subjects (one of its kind in Gujarat). Specifically, Geography and Logic & Philosophy as the major subjects only offer by limited institutes in the state of Gujarat. The institute strengthens intellectual growth and socio-economic upliftment. It also promotes self-reliance through skill-based courses. Faculty development, research engagement, and the integration of modern technology further enhance teaching quality, ensuring continuous academic and professional growth.

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY:

Department of Geography offers Geography as one of the major subjects. Only four universities offer Geography as a major or minor subject at the UG level in Gujarat. Furthermore, it is the only university; Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar who offers Geography as a major and minor subject in the periphery of 200 km. This department has an experience of organising a UGC sponsored National Seminar in the year 2014. Well-equipped Geography lab is the assets to the institute.



How To Reach

1. **From Ahmedabad Airport (AMD)**

Most convenient: Direct taxi

Distance: approximately 82 km

Travel time: about 1 hour 30 minutes to 2 hours, depending on traffic

Route: Ahmedabad Airport → Ahmedabad–Vadodara Expressway → Anand → Vallabh Vidyanagar

Airport taxi, Uber/Ola or a pre-booked cab may be used. Route details

Economical option: Train

Take a taxi/auto from Ahmedabad Airport to Ahmedabad Junction (Kalupur).

Board a train to Anand Junction (ANND).

From Anand Junction, take an auto-rickshaw or taxi to Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Allow approximately 3–4 hours overall, including transfers and waiting time.

2. **From Vadodara Airport (BDQ)**

Most convenient: Direct taxi

Distance: approximately 48 km

Travel time: about 50–75 minutes

Route: Vadodara Airport → National Highway/Expressway → Anand → Vallabh Vidyanagar

Direct airport taxi or app-based cab is the simplest option. Route details

Economical option: Train

Take a taxi/auto from Vadodara Airport to Vadodara Junction.

Take a train to Anand Junction.

Continue by auto-rickshaw or taxi to Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Allow approximately 2–3 hours overall, depending on the train connection.

3. **From Anand Railway Station (ANND)**

Distance: approximately 5–7 km

Travel time: approximately 15–25 minutes

Auto-rickshaws and taxis are normally available outside Anand Junction.

Tell the driver your exact destination or institution in Vallabh Vidyanagar.

A local bus may also be available, but an auto-rickshaw is generally the easiest option, especially with luggage.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GEOGRAPHERS, INDIA (NAGI)

NAGI is the largest national body of Geographers in the country, and presently it has more than 3100 life members. It was established in 1978, with its headquarters in the Department of Geography. Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi. Annals of the National Association of Geographers, India (ISSN: 0970-972X) is a national journal (UGC-CARE Listed) publishes on all matters concerning the study of geography and allied disciplines. Every year the Association organizes Indian Geography Congress at different Universities in India. Apart from Indian Geography Congress, the Association occasionally organizes International Geography Congress.

The 48th Indian Geography Congress, which is being organized at the Department of Geography. Nalini Arvind & T.V. Patel Arts College, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Anand, Gujarat, should become a platform for dialogue, collaborative programs, and the exchange of ideas. NAGI encourages the researchers to contribute to emerging research areas, not limited to climate change, water resources, food security, sustainability, health, cultures and civilization for human development, disaster management, vulnerability analysis etc. in the context of global change and Earth System Governance.

Nomination for Selection of Fellows:

NAGI Secretariat invites nominations for the selection of Fellows. The nomination should Include a detailed CV and consent letter of the proposed candidate. The proposed fellow should be an eminent geographer. NAGI Fellow includes Late Prof. M. Shafi. Late Prof. R. P. Misra, Late Prof. L. S. Bhat, Late Prof. A. Buttimer and Late Prof. P. Dayal.

NAGI Volumes:

NAGI has decided to bring out the volumes:

(1) India: Land, People and Economy:
(2) State of India's Natural Resources 115 Volumes
(3). Interested contributors should contact Prof. S. C. Rai, Editor.

Collection of Previous Volumes of the Annuals:

The life members may collect the previous issues of the Annals (2007 to 2017) from R. K. Books, 4215/1 Ansari Road, Darya Ganj, New Delhi-110002 (Mobile: 9312654192). From 2018 onwards, e-prints may be availed from Prints Publications Pvt. Ltd. https://printpublication.com/).

NAGI Directory:

NAGI Secretariat is bringing out an updated e-directory of all the life members for wider dissemination and benefit to researchers and students. The life members are requested to update their information at https://www.nagi.info/membership or email NAGI secretariat at aksaha@geography.du.ac.in It will also ensure the timely distribution of the latest volume of the Annuals through e-mail.

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Prof. S.C. Rai, Secretary General

Congress Theme

Innovating Human Landscapes: Pathways to Environmental Sustainability for Viksit Bharat @ 2047

Human landscapes represent the visible imprint of human activity on the Earth's surface, shaped by complex interactions between society, economy, technology, and the natural environment. Over time, processes such as urbanization, industrialization, agricultural intensification, infrastructure expansion, and resource extraction have transformed natural landscapes into dynamic human-dominated systems. While these transformations have enabled economic growth and improved living standards, they have also contributed to environmental challenges including land degradation, biodiversity loss, climate change, resource depletion, and ecological imbalance.

India, currently undergoing rapid socio-economic transformation, stands at a critical juncture in its developmental trajectory. With ambitious national initiatives such as Viksit Bharat @ 2047, the country envisions becoming a developed, inclusive, technologically advanced, and environmentally sustainable nation by the centenary of its independence. Achieving this vision requires a fundamental rethinking of how human landscapes—urban, rural, industrial, agricultural, and Peri-urban are planned managed, and innovated in harmony with environmental sustainability.

Geography, as an integrative and spatial science, provides a critical framework to understand the structure, processes, and transformations of human landscapes. It enables the examination of spatial patterns, human-environment interactions, regional disparities, and sustainability challenges through tools such as Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Remote Sensing, spatial modeling, and geospatial analytics. These tools and perspectives are essential for developing innovative, evidence-based solutions that promote sustainable landscape transformations.

Relevance to Viksit Bharat @ 2047

India's vision for Viksit Bharat @ 2047 emphasizes inclusive growth, environmental stewardship, technological advancement and resilience to global environmental challenges. The transformation of human landscapes will play a pivotal role in achieving this vision by:

- Promoting sustainable urbanization and reducing environmental footprints of cities
- Enhancing climate resilience of vulnerable regions and communities
- Ensuring sustainable agricultural productivity while conserving soil, water, and biodiversity
- Supporting green infrastructure and renewable energy transitions
- Addressing regional disparities and promoting balanced spatial development
- Leveraging geospatial technologies for informed decision-making and governance

Innovative landscape approaches are essential for aligning India's development goals with global sustainability frameworks such as the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Paris Climate Agreement, and national missions such as the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC), Smart Cities Mission, and Digital India.

SUB THEMES

- Climatological and Pedological Patterns and Processes
- Forms, Processes and Landscape Change
- Water Security, Energy Security and Ecological Security
- Management of forests, Biodiversity Conservation and Challenges
- Conservation and Sustainable Use of the Oceans, Seas and Marine Resources
- Natural Hazards and Disaster Risk Reduction
- Climate Change: Impact, Response, finance and Actions
- Challenges of land degradation and desertification,
- Sustainable Agriculture: Food Security, Livelihood and Poverty Alleviation
- Inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities
- Health Systems and Inclusive Quality Education: Well-Being for All
- Geography for Gender, Exclusion, Diaspora and Inequalities studies
- Population: Characteristics, Composition, Mobility and Challenges-Local to Global
- Sustainable Development of Indigenous People and Vulnerable Community
- Sustainable Tourism: Products, Development, Planning and Emerging Issues
- Responsible Consumption and Production: Reshaping Economic Geography
- Localisation of SDGs: Indian Experience
- Geospatial Technologies: Advances and Applications
- Collaborations and Cooperation at the National, Regional and International Levels for Peace, Justice and Sustainable Development.
- Geopolitics and Geo-Economics of South Asia and Intra-Regional Issues: Challenges and Prospects of Cooperation
- Any other topic related to the theme of the conference

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Date: 21/11/2026

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Memorial Lectures

(a) Prof. G. S. Gosal Memorial Lecture: Prof. Simrit Kahlon

(b) Prof. K. N. Singh Memorial Lecture: Prof. R. S. Yadava

(c) Prof. M. Shafi Memorial Lecture: Prof. A. R. Siddiqui n

(d) Prof. R. P. Singh Memorial Lecture: Prof. Sunil Kumar De

NAGI AWARDS

Prof. N. P. Aiyyar Young Geographer's Award, 2026

This award has been instituted by NAGI and is restricted to members who are qualified Geographers within the age limit of 35 years at the time of submission of the paper. The paper should be an original research contribution and submitted in 3 copies to the Secretary General, NAGI, so as to reach the Secretariat by October 15, 2026 by registered post/courier. The paper should be written in English or Hindi language only. The participant should also submit his/her detailed resume (3 copies) and proof of age.

An Expert Committee will be appointed by NAGI to evaluate the paper contributed and to shortlist five best papers among them. The five best papers will be presented in a special session at IGC and one among them would be finally selected for the Young Geographer's Award. The awardees will be honoured with a cash award of Rs. 5000/- and a certificate of merit.

Prof. Adya Sharan Young Women Geographer's Award, 2026

This award has been instituted by NAGI and is restricted only to women members who are Qualified Geographers within the age limit of 40 years as of November 20, 2026. The applicant (must be the first author/sole author) should submil the best three research papers published in Scopus/Present UGC-Care listed journals. The applicant should also submit CV affiliation details, proof of Date of Birth and copies of academic mark sheets and certificates from under-graduation to PhD/Post-doc in chronological order. The softcopy of the application package, along with a cover letter, must be submitted to the Secretary General, NAGI, through e-mail latest by October 15, 2026.

An Expert Committee appointed by NAGI will evaluate the applications. The 1st Prize winner will receive Rs. 5,000/- in cash, a Certificate and 3 AC return train fare. The 2nd Prize winner will receive Rs. 2,500/- in cash, a Certificate and 3 AC return train fare.

Professor Bandaru Hema Malini Eminent Geographer Award, 2026

This award has been instituted by NAGI and is restricted to members who are qualified Geographers. The nomination paper should reach the NAGI Secretariat by October 15, 2026 by registered post/courier.

An Expert Committee appointed by NAGI will evaluate the nominations. The awardees will be honoured with a cash award of Rs. 11000/- and a certificate of merit. Detailed guidelines for all the Awards are available on the NAGI website: https://www.nagi.info

Prof. R. P. Misra Memorial Award for Lifetime Achievement in Regional Development and Planning, 2026

This award is being introduced this year by NAGI to honour senior geographers who have extensively contributed to Regional Development and Planning. The nomination paper should reach the NAGI Secretariat by October 15, 2026, by registered post/courier. Detailed guidelines for all the Awards are available on the NAGI website: https://www.nagi.info

Call for Papers

Papers on the themes of the Congress are invited. Participants are requested to fill out the online registration form and submit the abstract by 15th October 2026. Registration fees should be paid by the participants only after acceptance of the abstract. Full papers must reach the Convener by 5th November 2026. Abstracts without a full Registration Fee will not be included in the souvenir. The manuscript of the full paper should be submitted at the specified email given below. Participants are requested to preferably submit only one abstract of the paper to the congress.

ABSTRACTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ONLINE ONLY

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

All are cordially invited to submit their abstracts based on findings, innovations, best practices, a new methodology, or research work in the form of practical, theoretical, and methodological aspects of identified themes and related areas and case studies. The participants are requested to send the abstracts latest by 15th October 2026

Abstract

Please consider the following guidelines, and deadlines to facilitate the submission and subsequent follow-up process.

- The abstract must be written in MS Word document (A4 size), Times New Roman, 12 font size, and 1.15 line spacing without inserting any special symbol, formula, diagram, table, or reference.
- **An outline of the abstract is as follows**

A.	Title (Max. 30 words)	B.	Author/s name/s
C.	Affiliation/s	D.	Email (corresponding author)
E.	Abstract body (Max. 400 words)	F.	Keywords (Max. 4 keywords)

- The abstract should clearly indicate the research problem, the methodology, and the results of the work within 400 words.
- After the payment of Registration Fees with online registration, an abstract must also be submitted online using the given clickable link for the registration: viksitbharat.krm48@gmail.com
- Files sent through email or by any other means will not be considered under normal circumstances.
- The name, affiliation, and e-mail of the corresponding author must be included.
- To prevent multiple submissions of the same abstract, only the corresponding author should submit one. If an abstract is contributed by more than one author and the non-presenting author also registers for the conference, he/she will be automatically mapped to the abstracts he/she has co-authored.
- A maximum of two abstracts are permitted per registration as an Author or co-author.
- All abstracts will be reviewed by the Programme Committee and may be sent back for revision if required. If a revision is necessary, the revised abstract must be sent back within a week.
- A Person attending the conference without an abstract can directly proceed with registration & payment. The person's status will be attendee only.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Preparedness before ONLINE REGISTRATION:

1. Soft copy of your passport-sized photo in JPG/JPEG and size not exceeding 150 kb.

Soft copy of your abstract in Word format strictly as per provided below Email Id. viksitbharat.krm48@gmail.com

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- Fill following details for INDIVIDUAL Registration. (Full name, address, contact details, affiliation, etc.)
- For the first-time registration on the University website, you need to upload your latest passport photo, which may be used for conference ID preparation.
- After uploading the photo, you will be redirected to Dashboard. Select the NAGI conference.
- Fill in all details on the CONFERENCE Registration page.
- You will be directed to the payment page then click on generate the challan and proceed for payment. (Online payment by debit card, credit card, net banking, and UPI) to complete the registration process.
- After the payment of Registration Fees, abstract submission process involves uploading a copy of your abstract in WORD/PDF format only and copy-paste all the content of abstract in the provided window.
- **Refund of Registration Fee:** There is no provision for refunding the registration fees.
- Student Registration Fee is applied to persons below 40 years of age and continuing their Master's degree /M. Phil./Ph. D. as a Full-time student. A copy of an institutional ID or a letter from the Departmental Head is required to avail the student's registration facility.

REGISTRATION FEES PAYABLE AMOUNT (INR)

Category	NAGI members	NAGI Registration	NAGI Annual Membership for non-members	Total (NAGI Member)	Total (Non Member)
Faculty/Delegates (up to 1st October 2026)	3500	300	500	3800	4300
Faculty/Delegates (up to 17th November 2026)	4000	300	500	3800	4300
Research Scholars (up to 1st October 2026)	2500	300	500	2800	3300
Research Scholars (up to 17th November 2026)	3000	300	500	2800	3300
Senior Geographers (Above 65 years) (up to 1st October 2026)	2500	NA	NA	2500	2500
Senior Geographers (Above 65 years) (up to 17th November 2026)	3000	NA	NA	NA	NA
Accompanying Person (up to 1st October 2026)	3500	NA	NA	NA	NA
Accompanying Person (up to 17th November 2026)	4000	NA	NA	NA	NA

*** Accommodation will not provide to local participant.**

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REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Registration charges for participants include participation, conference meals, and a conference kit. Accommodation for outstation delegates ONLY.
- Registration charges are mandatory for the accompanying person for the conference and allied services.
- Accommodation will not be made available for registrations after 15th October 2026 and spot registration (Attendee only).
- Payment of registration fees of Rs. 3,500/- or Rs. 2,500/- (as applicable) should be deposited through online transfer UPI at the registration page.
- Payment by Online Transfer/NEFT/UPI of Rs. 300/- (for Life Members) or Rs. 500/- (All non-member participants which includes NAGI share of Registration Rs. 300/- + Annual Membership of Rs. 500/-) should be deposited in Savings Account Number 00630100040711 of "National Association of Geographers, India (NAGI)", UCO Bank, Branch Name: Kamla Nagar, IFSC: UCBA0000063, MICR: 110028031, and send the details to aksaha@geography.du.ac.in (Prof. A. K. Saha, Secretary General - NAGI, c/o Department of Geography, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi-110007).
- Senior Geographers (above 65 Years) are exempted from paying NAGI share of Registration.
- Post-realization of the payment and verification, we will issue an e-Certificate and payment receipt.
- A post-conference one/two days field visit (voluntary) will be arranged and details will be communicated soon (Additional charges are applicable).
- Late fees of Rs. 500/- are applicable after 01st October 2026.
- Spot registration is also available on 20th November 2026 only to attend the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

Particulars	Date
Dates of conference	20th to 22nd November 2026
Start date for submission of abstract	21st July 2026
Last date for submission of abstract	01st October 2026
Last date for online registration payment (Regular fees)	01st October 2026
Last date for online registration payment & abstract submission (Late fees)	15th October 2026
Field visit (voluntary)	23rd November 2026

NAGI BUSINESS MEETINGS

NAGI Executive Committee Meeting: **20th November 2026 at 05:30 P.M.**

NAGI General Body Meeting: **21st November 2026 at 04:30 P.M.**

NAGI Executive Committee Meeting: **22nd November 2026 at 10:00 A.M.**

All respective members are requested to attend the same. All the above meetings will be held in the Language Lab, Nalini - Arvind & T. V. Patel Arts College, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

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Sardar Patel Memorial
5 km



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7 km



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87 km



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