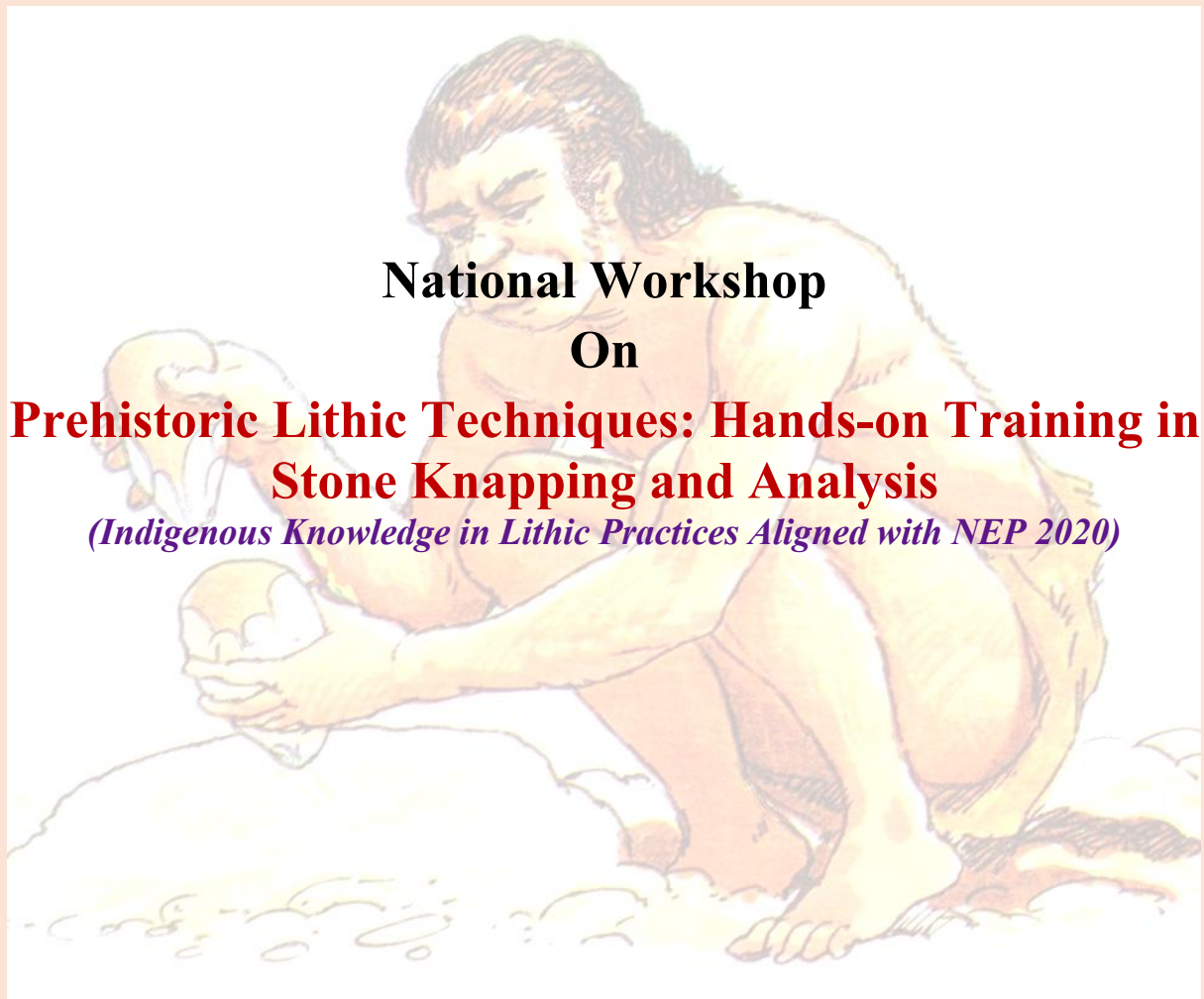




School of History
Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur



National Workshop
On
Prehistoric Lithic Techniques: Hands-on Training in
Stone Knapping and Analysis
(Indigenous Knowledge in Lithic Practices Aligned with NEP 2020)

Date: 08/07/2025, Time: 9 am
Venue: School of History

About the Workshop:

Ancient prehistoric tool technology marks one of the most significant milestones in human evolution, showcasing early humans' ingenuity and adaptability. During the prehistoric period, particularly the Paleolithic era, stone tools were the primary implements used for survival. These tools—such as hand axes, scrapers, and blades—were crafted through a technique called flint knapping, where stones were skillfully struck to produce sharp edges. Over time, tool-making methods became more refined, leading to the development of specialized tools for hunting, cutting, grinding, and processing food. This progression from simple choppers to complex composite tools not only reflects technological advancement but also provides valuable insight into the cognitive and cultural evolution of early human societies.

This hands-on workshop aims to provide participants—students, researchers, and faculty—with both practical training and theoretical knowledge in lithic technology, a foundational aspect of prehistoric archaeology. The presence and guidance of such eminent experts will provide participants with an invaluable opportunity to deepen their understanding and sharpen their practical skills in prehistoric lithic analysis and technology.

Resource Persons



Dr. S. B. Ota, Joint Director General (Retd.), Archaeological Survey of India, Madhya Pradesh, who will lead the training sessions with his vast experience in prehistoric archaeology.



Dr. Subodha Mendaly, Assistant Professor, Department of History and Archaeology, HNB Garhwal University (A Central University), Uttarakhand, who will contribute insightful lectures and guidance.



Dr. Kshirasindhu Barik, Curator, Department of History, Sambalpur University, who will share his expertise through a dedicated session.

Pedagogy:

- Lecture by experts (with audio visual aids)
- Hands-on activities
- Discussions

Eligibility: Under Graduates/ Post Graduates/ Research Scholars in Archaeology, History, Anthropology and related discipline.

Certificate: Certificates will be issued to registered participants upon successful completion of the workshop.

Registration Fee: Rs. 200/-

Convenor: Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan

Co convenor: Dr. Sasmita Rani Shasini

Dr. Santosh Kumar Mallik

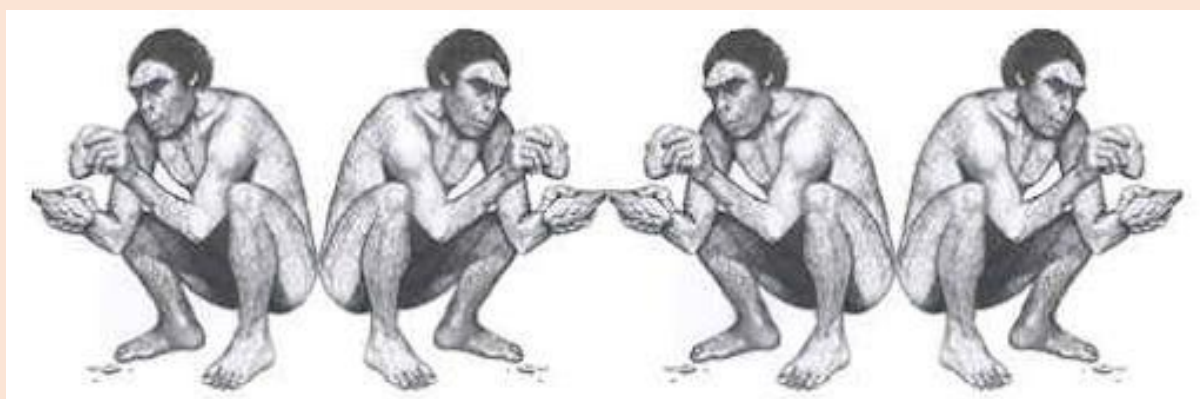
Dr. Paramatap Pradhan

Workshop Supervisor: Chudamani Rana

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Important Notes:

- **Free Registration:** This training is free of charge for students of G.M. University.
- **Limited Seats Available:** Enrolment is based on a first come, first served basis. Early registration is highly recommended.
- **No Accommodation Provided:** Participants are kindly requested to make their own accommodation arrangements, if required.
- **Materials Included:** All necessary raw materials for practical training, including stones, will be provided to participants at no cost.
- **Participation Certificate:** A certificate of participation will be awarded upon successful completion of the training.
- **Refreshment:** Registered participants will be provided with light refreshments and tea.





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08th July, 2025

REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name (in Capital Letters):

2. Nationality :

3. Permanent Address :

4. Local Address :

5. Telephone/Mobile :

6. Education :

7. Institution :

Registration Fee: Rs. 200/-



Signature of applicant