

Dear Participants,

ENSDD 2012 is almost upon us and we are looking forward to welcoming you at the Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre (VECC) campus next week.

This message contains some additional information that may be useful to you concerning arrival, the VECC campus site and week's program.

ARRIVAL:

The workshop will take place at the Ajay Divatiya (A.D.) Lecture Hall in the VECC campus which is located at the Sector-I of Block AF in Saltlake. VECC is also known to the common people as Bhabha Centre.

Upon arrival, you may go directly to the Hotels or Guest House. Accommodation list is posted in our conference website:

<http://indico.vecc.gov.in/indico/internalPage.py?pageId=11&confId=19>

You are requested to arrange your own transport for the transfer from Rail stations/Airport . You may check our work website for the travel info to reach VECC campus/Guest houses from the Airport or Railway stations.

We have arranged for the lunch and dinner during all workshop day (Monday 26th November to Thursday, 29th November) at VECC Guest house. However, your breakfast will be served at the Guest House where you are staying.

If you are arriving on 25th November, please inform the guest house reception in advance to avail your dinner.

REGISTRATION:

On Monday November 26th, a registration desk will be set up at the workshop site (A.D. Lecture Hall) at 9:30 am .

We will arrange transport for all the participants staying in our recommended guest houses (Coral Guest House and IISER Guest House) in all the workshop days. A vehicle will reach by 9:00 AM in your place of stay to take you to the VECC campus.

Important: VECC being a secured zone, we had to take special permission for you to carry your cell phone and laptops inside the VECC campus. In the security desk at the main entrance gate of VECC, you have to declare your laptops and cell phones while you enter our campus. **Please don't carry your camera inside the campus.** Photography inside VECC is strictly prohibited, so please don't use your cell phone camera. For the Non-Indian participants, entry to VECC campus must be through the Main Entrance Gate, every time you enter the campus, you have

to report to the security desk at the main entrance gate. Only those, who are staying inside VECC Guest house can avail the Guest House Entrance gate.

INTERNET ACCESS:

There is free internet access (Wi-fi) at the A.D. Lecture Hall and VECC Guest House. At all the places mentioned above there will be a wireless connection.

However, for internet access at the A.D. Lecture Hall and VECC Guest House you must register device beforehand. Those who have sent the MAC addresses of their devices, please collect the login id and password at the registration desk.

WORKSHOP DINNER:

Workshop dinner will be hosted on Wednesday 28th November, in a cruise on the river Ganges.

TA/DA CLAIM:

For those who will be provided TA, Please download the TA form **workshop website**, take a print out (both the pages), fill the necessary fields, sign it and bring it with you along with the copies of your train ticket (for travel by train) and tickets, receipts and boarding passes (for travel by Air). Submit them in the registration desk on the first day for a quick processing of your TA claim.

WEATHER:

Kolkata weather is pleasant now, average maximum temperature is 27 deg C and minimum temperature is 15 deg C with humidity is about 50%.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in the “City of Joy” Kolkata for an exciting workshop!

We encourage you to check for the latest update of the workshop. Please feel free to contact the organizers if you have any query while you are travelling. Contact phone numbers are:

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Safe travels to you all.

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