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Topics: Visual Cognition, Statistics in Web Mining, Information Retrieval and Performance Evaluation, Assessment of Image and Video quality, Camera based Document Processing, Handwriting Analysis, and Machine Authentication of Security Paper Documents. Fundamentals as well as recent advances will be covered.

Speakers: The Speakers at the Workshop will be faculty members of the CVPR Unit of ISI. Besides teaching, they are engaged in application driven basic research in the above areas and contribute regularly to various international journals and conferences.

Information for Applicants:

- Faculty members, researchers, practicing engineers with background in Mathematics, Computer Science, Electrical/Electronics Engineering, Information Technology and related areas may apply.
- There is no registration fee. Free accommodation and food for outstation candidates and only food for local candidates will be provided during the period of the Workshop. Train or bus return journey fare, according to entitlement, by shortest route, will be re-imbursed to outstation candidates upon submission of receipts. However, no DA will be paid.
- Applications made in the format given below in MS-WORD/pdf must be sent through e-mail at brc@iimshillong.in or by snail mail to **Dr. Basav Roychoudhury, Rajiv Gandhi Indian Institute of Management, Mayurbhanj Complex; Nongthymmai, Shillong 793014** on or before **5th February, 2010**. Those selected will be informed by **12th February, 2010**. It is advised that intimation for application of leave be made as early as possible by the applicant at his/her institution. Selected participants **MUST** carry proper identification and a copy of their leave approval with them when they arrive at the workshop.

Application Format: (a) Name, Designation and Affiliation, (b) Address including e-mail and phone numbers, (c) Academic Record, Experience and Publications (if any), (d) Details of ISI-organized North-East workshops attended previously, (e) Estimate of Financial Assistance requested (travel preferably by public transport)

About Shillong: Shillong, the capital of Meghalaya, is a hill town in the north eastern part of India. It is situated at an altitude of 1496 meters above sea level, with the highest point being "lum shyllong" at 1965 m. The city has a population of approximately 260,520 according to the 2001 census. Shillong has steadily grown in size and significance in its own traditional way from a mere village as it used to be when it was made the new civil station of the Khasi and Jaintia Hills in 1864 by the British. It remained the summer capital of Eastern Bengal and Assam for many years because of its convenient location between the Brahmaputra and Surma Valley and more so because the climate of Shillong was much cooler than tropical India. Shillong remained the capital of undivided Assam until the creation of the new state of Meghalaya on January 21, 1972 when Shillong became the capital of Meghalaya.

Places of interest: There are number of attractive places in around Shillong to visit. Prime attractions include Water Falls, Peaks, and Lakes. Among them, **Elephant Falls** in Shillong, **Nohkalikai Falls** in Cherrapunjee, **Shillong Peak**, a horseshoe shaped artificial lake named **Ward Lake**, etc. are important tourist sites of Shillong. In addition, the town has one of the largest golf courses (the world's wettest) in Asia and the golf course is called **Gleneagles of the East**. It enjoys the rare distinction of being one of the few natural golf courses in Asia.

Directions to IIM, Shillong: The nearest railhead is Guwahati from where one can reach Shillong by road (103 km). There are regular buses, taxis, and shared vehicles (Sumo, Indica, Maruti, etc.) are available. To reach Shillong by air, one can take a flight to Guwahati. From Guwahati airport, one can take taxi to Shillong or can also avail helicopter service from Guwahati airport to Shillong. Once in Shillong, local transport is available mainly in the form of taxis. You may book a taxi to IIM Shillong situated at Nongthymmai, or take a shared taxi to Nongthymmai point and take a 3 minute walk to the Institute.



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