IIT Indore faculty selected national correspondent for Himalayan glaciers

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IIT Indore faculty member Dr Mohd Farooq Azam has been selected as Na-

tional Correspondent by Ministry of Education, India and World Glacier Monitoring Services (WGMS), Switzerland. He was nominated by Department of Science and Technology, India in consultation with Indian glaciologists and IIT Indore.

Dr Azam is an assistant professor at Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Indore.

He has been working on the Himalayan glaciers and hydrology for the past 12 years and published several research papers, including two recent papers in Science, about the glaciers' health, hazards and water evolution in glacierised basins.

As national correspondent, Dr Azam

will be playing a pivotal role for the development of Himalayan glaciology in correspondence with World Glacier Monitoring Services, Switzerland.

His main tasks would be to coordinate and represent the glacier monitoring in India with WGMS network, be

the central communication node for India for the WGMS, and to be responsible for the annual data collection from India and the submission to WGMS for publication in the 'Global Glacier Change Bulletin' series.