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Foreword

Judicious management of water resources is fundamental for achieving sustainable management of natural resources and ensuring environmental integrity. Technologies, such as remote sensing, navigation, space communication, geospatial tools, Internet of things, are extremely useful in developing newer applications and tools for scientific data management and decision making.

The international conference organized by the Department of Civil Engineering, MVGR College of Engineering (A), Vizianagaram, from 30 March to 01 April 2018 provided a much-needed platform to discuss the emerging technologies and opportunities in water, environment and climate change facets.

The effort of the organizers in bringing out a scientific book on conference deliberations and a compendium of papers needs a special compliment.

I strongly believe that the technical insights presented in this book will enrich the scientific community and provide inspiration to readers and lead to newer technological applications that would support human society in coping up with the challenges posed by impending climate change.

I wish the organizing committee of the conference a grand success.

Hyderabad, India

Y. V. Krishna Murthy
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Preface

With the ever-increasing demand for development, the stress on water resources and environment is increasing day by day. The changing climate further amplifies the effect resulting in severe drought, flood and pollution problems. In order to provide a platform for eminent scientists, researchers and students to discuss the emerging technologies in mitigating the problems related to water and environment, the International Conference on Emerging Trends in Water Resources and Environmental Engineering (ETWREE 17) was conducted by MVGR College of Engineering, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh, India, during Mar–Apr 2017. About 100 participants from three different countries attended ETWREE 17. ETWREE 17 was organized by the Department of Civil Engineering, MVGR College of Engineering, and was sponsored by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) and National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC).

The proceedings of this conference contain 60 papers which are included as two volumes. The response to ETWREE 17 was overwhelming. It attracted quality work from different areas relating to water resources, environmental engineering and climate. From a total of 120 abstracts, we selected around 80 papers through a rigorous peer review process with the help of our programme committee members and external reviewers for the presentation.

Dr. Y. V. N. K. Murthy, Director, NRSC Hyderabad, conducted a special session on “Application of Remote Sensing in Water Resources”. A special session on “Enigma of Climate” was conducted by Prof. Rakesh Khosa, IIT Delhi. Professor D. Nagesh Kumar from IISC Bangalore delivered a lecture on “Remote Sensing, GIS and DEM for Water Resources Assessment of a River Basin”. Professor Uma Mahesh, NIT Warangal, gave a lecture on “Non-Stationarity in Rainfall Intensity”. Dr. Brijesh Kumar Yadav, IIT Roorkee, conducted a session on “Engineered BioRemediation”. Dr. K. B. V. N. Phanindra, IIT Hyderabad, delivered a keynote on “Modeling Soil Water Disease Interactions of Flood Irrigated Mandarin Orange Trees”.

Dr. Shishir Gaur, IIT BHU, conducted a special session on “Application of Simulation Optimization Model for Management of Groundwater Resources”. Dr. L. Suri Naidu, NUS Singapore, delivered a lecture on “Food, Water and Energy

Nexus”. Professor G. V. R. Srinivas Rao, Andhra University, conducted a session on “Multivariate Statistical Analysis of River Water Quality”. Professor T. V. Praveen, Andhra University, delivered a lecture on “Salinity Intrusion Modelling”. Dr. Y. R. S. Rao, NIH Kakinada, provided a lecture on “River Bank Filtration”.

These sessions were very informative and beneficial to the authors and delegates of the conference. We thank all the keynote speakers and the session chairs for their excellent support to make ETWREE 17 a grand success. The quality of a contributed volume is solely due to the reviewers’ efforts and dedication. We thank all the members of the advisory board of the conference for their support and encouragement.

We are indebted to the programme committee members, Mr. A. V. S. Kalyan, Mr. Varaprasad and Mr. Sridhara Naidu, for extending their help in preparing the manuscript.

We express our heartfelt thanks to the Chief Patron, Sri Ashok Gajapathi Raju, Chairman, MANSAS, and Patron, Prof. K. V. L. Raju, Principal, MVGR College of Engineering, for their continuous support and encouragement during the course of the convention. We also thank all the faculty and administrative staff for their efforts.

We would also like to thank the authors and participants of this conference, who have made it for the conference. Finally, we would like to thank all the student volunteers who spent their assiduous efforts in meeting the deadlines and arranging every detail to make sure the smooth running of the conference. All the efforts are worth if the readers of this contributed volume find them inspiring and useful. We also sincerely thank the press, print and electronic media for their excellent coverage of this convention.

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About This Book

The book covers a variety of topics related to water, climate and environment. The topics mainly focus but not limited to hydrological modelling, water resources management, water conservation practices, applications of recent techniques for solving water-related issues, land use impact on water resources, climate change impacts, wastewater treatment and recovery, advances in hydraulics in rivers and ocean. The book is a collection of best papers submitted in the First International Conference on Emerging Trends in Water Resources and Environmental Engineering held from 28 March 2017 to 1 April 2017 at MVGR College of Engineering, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh, India. It was hosted by the Department of Civil Engineering, MVGR College of Engineering, with the support of Science and Engineering Research Board, India.

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