## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON "RECENT RESEARCHES IN SEDIMENTARY BASINS: IMPLICATION FOR EXPLORATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES", October, 28-30, 1996: Organised by the Department of Geology, Banaras Hindu University to coincide with the XIII convention of the *Indian Association of Sedimentologists*. For further details write to: Dr. R.N. Tiwari, Convener, Department of Geology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-221 005.

## IGCP-367, 1996 ANNUAL MEETING AND FIELD TRIPS, 4TH TO 14TH NOVEMBER, 1996, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

The Third Annual Meeting of the IGCP Project-367 (Late Quaternary Coastal Records of Rapid changes: Applications to Present and Future Conditions) will be held in Sydney, Australia with optional field trips in South Australia. Researchers have been invited to present papers either about Australia or from their own study areas.

Two preconference field trips, one devoted to late quaternary history of coastal region in New South Wales and other on Holocene sedimentation in Coastal Flood Plains, costing US \$ 450 and 335 respectively are also envisaged.

The registration fee for the main meeting will be US \$ 75. Accommodation during the conference will cost approximately US \$ 40 per night.

Indian coastal workers may send research reports related to the project for inclusion in the Project Document to Dr. U.B. Mathur, Convener, Indian National Working Group of IGCP-367 & Director, GSI, 15-16 Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur-302 004. Priliminary registration form for the Australian meet is available on request from Dr. Mathur at the above address.

THE NATIONAL SEMINAR ON "GEOLOGICAL EVOLUTION OF WESTERN RAJASTHAN" ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN APRIL 1996 at Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur, has now been postponed to October 1996. For further details write to: Prof. B.S. Paliwal, Convener, Dept. of Geology, Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur - 342 005.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF VOLCANOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY OF THE EARTH'S INTERIOR (IAVCEI) has been thrown open to individuals recently, as intimated by Prof. P.K. Banerjee, National Corespondent, IAVCEI. Those desirous of obtaining copies of the application forms and other details may write to Prof. P.K. Banerjee, School of Oceanography, Jadavpur University, Calcutta - 700 032.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL FLUID INCLUSION SOCIETY: The Indian chapter of the Asian and Pacific International Fluid Inclusion Society (APIFIS) is organizing a national conference on August 22, 1996 at the Centre for Earth Science Studies, Trivandrum, jointly with the UNESCO-IGCP 368 International Field Workshop. Those who are engaged in fluid

inclusion research in the country are requested to send a write-up of their research activities, along with details of analytical facilities (if available), and copies of publications. For futher details on the conference write to: Dr. M. Santosh, National Representative of APIFIS, Centre for Earth Science Studies, P.B. 7250, Akkulam, Thuruvikkal Post, Trivandrum - 695 031. Fax: (047) 44 22 80.

CENTRE FOR GEOSTATISTICS, NMDC LTD., HYDERABAD, PROPOSES TO ORGANIZE THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS DURING 1996:A five day workshop on "Geostatistics for University teachers and geoscientists of Research Institutes". A minimum knowledge of Mathematics upto B.Sc. level is required. Tentative dates: July 22nd to 27th, 1996; An eight day workshop on "Geostatistics with special emphasis on multi-variate geostatistics for Geoscientists". Knowledge of Mathematics upto B.Sc. level is required. Tentative dates: August 21-28, 1996; A four day workshop on "Mining Environment - a review about the mining problems and the possibilities of solution" for the Scientists and Managers from Mining and related industries. Tentative dates: September 2-5, 1996; A five day workshop on "Advanced Petroleum Geostatistics". Knowledge of Geostatistics is required. Dates: Last week of November 1996; All the workshops will be conducted at the Centre for Geostatistics, NMDC Limited, Khanij Bhavan, Masab Tank, Hyderabad - 500 028. For further details write to: The Convenor of Workshops, Head, Centre for Geostatistics, NMDC Ltd., Masab Tank, Hyderabad - 500 028.

"YOUNG SEDIMENTOLOGIST AWARD": Shri S.K. Pandita, Research Fellow, Department of Geology, University of Jammu became the first recipient of the "Young Sedimentologist Award" instituted by the Indian Association of Sedimentologists. The award was conferred during the XII convention of the Sedimentologists held at Goa during December 1995. This annual award is intended for a young scientist (below 35 years) for the best paper presented at the Annual Convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists.

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON DRILLING AND BLASTING "Drill Blast 96": Organised by the Mining Engineers' Association of India, 20-21 September, 1996; For further details write to: Organising Secretary, Drill Blast '96, The Indian Mining and Engineering Journal, Laxmisagarpatna, Bhubaneswar - 751 006; Tel. 0674-411724; Fax. 0674-400599/411724.

6TH CONFERENCE ON "SINKHOLES AND THE ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF KARST": April 6-9, 1997; Springfield, MO, USA; Deadline for Abstracts Aug.22, 1996; For further details write to Dr. B.F. Beck, P.E. Lamoreaux & Associates, Inc., PO Box 4578, Oak Ridge, TN., 37831-4578, USA; Tel. 423-483-7483; E-Mail: pelaor@use.usit.net.