

ANNOUNCEMENT

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON RECENT ADVANCES IN THE STUDY OF CRETACEOUS SECTIONS: January 6-12, 1998, VENUE: ONGC, CHENNAI - 600 034: Organised by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd, Regional Geoscience Laboratory, Chennai; the Seminar consists of 3 day discussion followed by a four day field excursion to type sections of Trichirapalli Cretaceous. For details Contact Dr. A. Govindan, International Cretaceous Seminar-1998, Regional Geoscience Laboratory, ONGC Ltd., No.3, 1st Lane, NH Road, Chennai - 600 034. **e mail:** ongc.madras @gems.vsnl.net. in; **Ph:** 044-8271431(O), 6359143(R); **Fax:** 044-834088.

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON TECTONOMAGMATISM, GEOCHEMISTRY AND METAMORPHISM OF PRECAMBRIAN TERRAINS: December 16-19, 1997, Organized by Department of Geology M.L. Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan, (30th August, 1997 is the last date for receipt of descriptive abstract). For details please write to: Dr. K.C. Gyani, Convenor, Department of Geology, M.L. Sukhadia University, 51, Saraswati Marg, Udaipur - 313 002, Rajasthan.

PHYSICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY AWARD

The Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad announces the institution of the **PRL Award** from the Aruna Lal Endowment Fund established by Prof. Devendra Lal, former Director and Honorary Fellow of PRL. The award consisting of a cash prize of Rs. 25,000/- will be given to an outstanding Indian scientist below the age of 45 years for innovative theoretical and or experimental studies in **dynamic earth and planetary systems including areas of oceanography, atmospheric sciences and meteorology**. The award will be made once every two years.

The selections for the year 1997 will be completed by January 1998 and the awards presented on 12 August 1998. Candidates must be below 45 years of age, on 1st January 1997. Although the overall work of the candidates would be taken into account, the work done in India would be given more consideration.

The last date for receiving nominations is **September 15, 1997**. Sponsors are requested to send a two page note (12 copies) summarising the contributions and achievements of the sponsored candidate together with his/her biodata, complete list of publications (with the names of the authors in the order in which they appear in publications), reprints of five most important publications during the last five years (6 copies) in a cover marked 'confidential' addressed to the Director, Physical Research Laboratory, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad - 380 009.