BOOK REVIEW

GEODYNAMIC DOMAIN IN THE ALPINE HIMALAYAN TETHYS by Anshu K. Sinha, Oxford and IBM Publishers, New Delhi, Price Rs. 950

The book is an attempt to gather critical data on various palaeogeographic domains of the Tethys world, encompassing the Altai, the Pyrenees, the Carpathian, the Himalaya, the Urals and the Yunan mountains. The publication embraces proceedings of the IGCP-Project-276 Workshop organized during the 29th International Geological Congress at Kyoto (Japan), in 1992.

The twenty chapters authored by experts drawn from a number of countries in Europe and Asia, dwell on such diverse topics as terrane concept and its application, tectonics of India-Eurasia collision, Cretaceous oceanic islands and seamounts within a ophiolitic melange belt, deformation and strain-patterns, interpretation of Enhanced Satellite Images, palaeogeographic significance of Tertiary sequences, tectonic evolution of coal basins, relationship between ancient settlement and geology, tectonic evolution and metallogenesis, effects of Alpine reworking on Hercynian structure, late Variscan magmatism in Alpine belt, segmentation of pre-Alpine basement, Alpine transgression in the Carpathians, terrane movements in the Palaeozoic and evolution of the Calabrian-Peloritan arc in Italy, opening of the Mediterranean in Mesozoic, structure of southern Ural etc.

The book will prove useful for researchers and earth science teachers dealing with structure and tectonics, biostratigraphy and palaeogeography as it provides an insight into the thinking of the European earth scientists. The publication will therefore be a valuable addition to any library.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTRY IN MINING AREAS: August 21-22,1998, Hotel Rajputana Palace Sheraton, Jaipur. Themes: (1) Environment Protection Act, 1986 - Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 1994; Aravalli Range Notification, 1992; Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 1991; (2) Wild Life Protection Act, 1972; (3) Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. For further information contact: R.K. Sharma, Member Secretary, Organising Committee, Federation of Indian Minerals Industries, 301, Bakshi House, 40-41 Nehru Place, New Delhi-110 019, Phone: (011)-6410786, 6410078; Fax: (011)-6217004; E-mail: fedmin@nda.vsnl.net.in.

BRAIN STORMING WORKSHOP ON GEOELECTROMAGNETISM, August 17-18, 1998, IIT Kanpur: Sponsored by Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi, will be held at IIT Kanpur campus on August 17-18, 1998. The Workshop objectives are to review the work carried out by Electromagnetic community in India in broad electromagnetic spectrum and to decide priority application areas for future in the exploitation of Earth, Ocean and Snow resources. For details contact: Prof. Ramesh P. Singh, Convenor, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur - 208 016. Tel: (0512)-597295 (Off.), (0512)-598201/590098 (Res.); Fax: 0512-590260; E-mail: ramesh@iitk@ernet.in