

The authors have also been studying inclusions in diamonds from different diatremes throughout the country. The central idea of the paper "compositional study of spinels..." was to highlight the significance of studies of xenocrysts like spinels which throw considerable information about diamond bearing nature of the pipe.

Fig.1 of the paper is from "Detailed Information on Diamond in Andhra Pradesh". This is a published report of the GSI (1994) which is for sale. Therefore, we have acknowledged this source in our paper.

The authors have visited Wajrakarur area for over twelve times. They feel that anybody can work in any area. Hence, we do not feel that we are wrong in our ethics and we never tried to downplay the role of GSI.

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