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After the special lecture, new project proposals submitted were taken up for consideration by DST for granting funds. Principal investigators of these projects presented their proposals which not only evoked lot of discussion but also keen interest evinced by the students and members of the faculty.

After the lunch, a field trip to the Closepet Granite around Ramanagaram was arranged to show spectacular and classical exposures of the granite depicting evidences of magma being derived from crust and mantle and their interaction. Dr. M. Jayananda and Prof. R.S. Sharma led the groups for field observations and discussions.

On the second day there were presentations of progress reports of the ongoing research projects by the PIs. After

the presentations, a number of clarifications were sought by PAMC members and suitable suggestions to improve further investigations by the PIs, were made by them. The students of the Department who attended the session were greatly benefited by these discussions, as it exposed them to the recent trends in the study of deep continental crust.

In the concluding session Dr. Ch. Sivaji, convener of the meeting summarized the proceedings held and thanked the Bangalore University for hosting the program.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Geological Society of India

Annual General Meeting – 2004 and

National Seminar on Deltas of India

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Geological Society of India for 2004 will be held at the invitation of the Department of Geology, Andhra University during 2-4 November 2004, at Visakhapatnam. A national seminar on 'Deltas of India' with special emphasis on the natural resources of deltas (oil and natural gas) will be held concurrently, organized by the Department of Geology, Andhra University. Scientists interested in participating in the national seminar may please contact: Prof K.L.V. Ramana Rao, Head of the Department of Geology, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam - 530 003; **Phone:** (0891) 2754871 Ext. 243; (0891) 2734883; **Email:** Ivrkoya@yahoo.com.

During the Annual Convention, it is customary to hold a session for presentation of results of recent and ongoing research, especially by younger researchers, who are requested to contact: Shri S.V. Srikantia, Secretary, Geological Society of India, No.63, 12th Cross, Gavipuram, P.B.No. 1922, Bangalore-560 019. **Email:** gsocind@bgl.vsnl.net.in; **Telefax:** 080-26613352; **Phone:** 080-26522943.

A.U. GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT ALUMNI MEET

During the National Seminar on Deltas of India (2-4 November 2004) it is envisaged to hold a meeting of the Alumni of the Geology Department of the Andhra University at Visakhapatnam during one of the evenings. Former students of the Department are requested to send updated addresses (including telephone number and Email address) of their own and other alumni known to them to: Prof K.L.V. Ramana Rao, HOD, Department of Geology, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam-530 003; Email: lvrkoya@yahoo.com