

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PARTICIPATION OF YOUNG EARTH SCIENCE RESEARCHERS IN THE DST GROUP MONITORING MEETING:** Department of Science and Technology (DST) has recently initiated an activity wherein selected Young Earth Scientists are supported to present their research findings to a peer group at the Group Monitoring Meeting of the PAC and get guidance from them. Through this initiative, it is intended to stimulate healthy competition, encourage excellence, reward outstanding contribution and encourage the overall development of the Earth Sciences in the country. TA/DA would be paid as per norms, and certificate of participation would be issued to all the selected 10 participants. Two best presentations would be awarded with token cash prizes. Interested Young Researchers (up to 35 years of age), who wish to participate in the forthcoming GMM likely to be held in January 2005, may send their biodata and abstract in MS Word format to Dr. M. Prithviraj, Director/Scientist F, Earth System Science Division, DST by email [prithvi@alpha.nic.in](mailto:prithvi@alpha.nic.in) by 15 November 2004.

**4<sup>th</sup> COURSE ON APPLICATION OF REMOTE SENSING AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR MINERAL EXPLORATION:** Geological Survey of India (GSI) Training Institute is conducting a training course on this topic at Hyderabad, a GSI-ISRO collaborative programme in Human Resource Development under the NNRMS for 10 weeks beginning on 19th January 2005. The course content to be covered is Photogeology, Remote Sensing, Digital Image Processing, Digital Photogrammetry, Geographic Information System along with case studies and Block Interpretation.

Details of application form are given in GSI website [www.gsi.gov.in](http://www.gsi.gov.in). For further details, please contact Dy. Director General, GSI Training Institute, Bandlaguda, Hyderabad - 500 068. **Phone:** 040-24220681, 24220682, **Fax:** 040-24220680, **Email:** [hyd2\\_gsitihyd@sancha.net.in](mailto:hyd2_gsitihyd@sancha.net.in)

**NATIONAL SEMINAR ON SEDIMENTARY BASINS, RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT:** The Department of Earth Sciences, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar is organising this seminar to coincide with the XXI Convention of Indian Association of Sedimentologists from 20-22 December 2004. For further details, please contact Dr. S.R. Singarasubramanian, Convener-XXI, IAS Convention, Department of Earth Science, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar - 608 002, Chidambaram. **Phone:** 91-4144-220025, **Mobile:** 94432 91197, **Email:** [laksis@yahoo.com](mailto:laksis@yahoo.com)

**CONTACT PROGRAMME ON EXPERIMENTAL STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY:** The Department of Geology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi is organising a DST-sponsored contact programme on Experimental Structural Geology during 2-11 December, 2004. The objective of the contact programme is to acquaint young earth scientists with recent developments in experimental geology (analogue modelling techniques) in the laboratory, and the simulation of naturally deformed structures. For further details, please contact Prof. H.B. Srivastava, Department of Geology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi - 221 005. **Email:** [harivandana@sify.com](mailto:harivandana@sify.com)

**INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON GEOINFORMATICS - 2004:** (Earth Science and Natural Resources) This Seminar is scheduled to be held during 9-10 December 2004 at the Department of Studies in Geology, University of Mysore. For further details, please contact Prof. A. Balasubramanian, Convener, or Prof. H.T. Basavarajappa, Organising Secretary, Department of Studies in Geology, University of Mysore, Manasagangotri, Mysore - 570 006, Karnataka, India. **Phone:** 91-0821-2515256/2514144 (O), 91 0821-2412740 (R), **Mobile:** 0821-3111084, **Fax:** 0091-821-2421263/2421550/2415390/2514144, **Website:** <http://www.geoin2k4.org> **Email:** [isg\\_2k4@yahoo.com](mailto:isg_2k4@yahoo.com)

**NATIONAL SEMINAR ON EARTH RESOURCES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:** This seminar is being organised by the Department of Earth Sciences, Annamalai University at Annamalainagar during 23-24 February, 2005 to coincide with the VII Convention of the Mineralogical Society of India at the same venue. For further details, please contact Prof. M. Arumugam, Convener or Dr. R.S. Kumar, General Secretary VII, MSI, NASERSD - 2005, Department of Earth Science, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar - 608 002, Tamil Nadu. **Phone:** 04144-238255 (R), **Mobile:** 04144-310351, **Email:** [arumugaminfo@rediffmail.com](mailto:arumugaminfo@rediffmail.com), [rskumar\\_cdm@rediffmail.com](mailto:rskumar_cdm@rediffmail.com)

**WORKSHOP ON COASTAL NON-LIVING RESOURCES:** A national level workshop is proposed to be held in the Department of Geology, National College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu for a period of ten days from 13-22 December 2004. The workshop covers the varied coastal non-living resources including petroleum, salt pans, silica sands, beach placer deposits and energy resources like waves, tides, thermal power etc. For further details, please contact Dr. R. Baskaran, Convener, Department of Geology, National College, Tiruchirappalli - 620 001, Tamil Nadu. **Phone:** 0431-2480513 & 0431-3221040, **Fax:** 0431-2413120, **Email:** [baskaranrajagopalan@yahoo.co.in](mailto:baskaranrajagopalan@yahoo.co.in)