

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON COASTAL ENVIRONMENT: This UGC sponsored national seminar is being organised by the Department of Geology, National College, Thiruchirapalli, Tamil Nadu, during 15-16, February, 2002. Following themes with emphasis on coastal management are expected to be dealt with: Non-living resources; Living Resources; Industries; Sewage Disposal; Ports; Urbanisation and Tourism and Management of Coastal Environment and Coastal Hazards. For further details, contact: Dr. R. Baskaran, Coordinator, National Seminar on 'Coastal Environment' Department of Geology, National College, Thiruchirapalli - 620 001, Tamil Nadu. **Phone:** 0431-480719; **Fax:** 0431-413007; **Email:** coastnct@yahoo.co.in

TRAINING IN SCIENCE JOURNALISM: National Council for Science and Technology Communication, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India and Indian Science Communication Society invite applications for admission in Training in Science Journalism (through distance education). The duration of training is one year (session 2001-2002). Graduates in any subject with intermediate in Science/Agriculture or Diploma in Engineering are eligible. Last date for sending completed application forms is 25 February, 2002. For application form and detailed information, please send a Bank Draft for Rs.200/- drawn in favour of the 'Indian Science Communication Society' payable at Lucknow, to: The Course Coordinator, Indian Science Communication Society, Chandrika Bhawan, Near Dandahiya Masjid, Lucknow - 226 002. **Email:** vigyanbharati@id.eth.net

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON NATURAL HAZARDS AND THEIR MITIGATION. The Centre of Advanced Study, Panjab University is organising the Seminar during 8-11 March, 2002 at Chandigarh. Principal themes of the Seminar include: Earthquakes, Seismotectonics, Neotectonics; Landslides, Floods, Degradation of Soil and Groundwater; Coastal Hazards, Glaciers, Avalanches; Application of Remote Sensing and GIS and Environmental and Socio-Economic aspects, Landuse and Urban Planning. A field trip to Renuka-Dehra Dun sector, depending on the response is envisaged. For further details, please contact Dr. G.S. Gill, Organising Secretary, Department of Geology, Panjab University, Chandigarh - 160 014. **Phone:** (0172)-534240 (O); (0172)-775658 (R); **Fax:** (0172)-541409; **Email:** gsgill@rediffmail.com

CONFERENCE ON QUATERNARY CLIMATE, TECTONICS AND ENVIRONMENT OF THE HIMALAYA: Comparison with other regions (QUCTEHR - 2002) is scheduled from 11 to 15 March, 2002 at the Department of Geology, Kumaun University, Nainital, Uttaranchal. The scientific sessions of the conference are to focus on the following themes: Climatic Changes; Neotectonics; Seismicity and Diverse Methodologies in the Fields of Palaeoclimatology and Geological Application of GIS. One day field excursion (on 15 March) to geologically interesting areas around Nainital is contemplated. Interested participants may contact for further details: Dr. B.S. Kotlia, Convener, QUCTEHR-2002, Department of Geology, Kumaun University, Nainital - 263 002. **Phone:** 91-5942-39314; **Fax:** 91-5942-35493; **Email:** bskotlia@yahoo.com; **Website:** www.quathimclimate.com.