ANNOUNCEMENTS

A THREE WEEK REFRESHER COURSE IN GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING is being organised by the Department of Applied Geology, Dr. H.S. Gour University, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh during the month of March 2002. Sponsored by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), the course will cover aspects of Rock Engineering, Rock Mechanics, Engineering Geology and Environmental Geotechnology. The programme is open to Geologists, Engineers, Teachers in Technical Institutions/Universities/Colleges. There is no course fee. Sponsored candidates will be provided TA/DA as per AICTE norms. Interested candidates may contact Prof. V.D. Choubey, Professor Emeritus or Dr. R.K. Trivedi, Reader, Department of Applied Geology, Dr. H.S. Gour University, Sagar - 470 003, Madhya Pradesh. Phone:07582-35441, 28717; Fax: 07582-22163; Email: v_d_choubey@hotmail.com or rkt_sagar@hotmail.com

6th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FORUM - ASIA UPSTREAM 2002: Conference on Oil and Gas Exploration and Production in Asia and Australasia, Business Opportunities, Acreage and Offerings is scheduled from 8-9 April, 2002 at Singapore. Organised by the Global Pacific and Partners (London, Houston and Johannesburg), the conference agenda features Major Gas Projects and Development in Asia, Asia's LNG and Gas Portfolio, Asian Ventures and New Opportunities and Government Strategies. For further information and details, please contact: Global Pacific & Partners, Private Bag X61, Saxonwold - 2132, South Africa. Phone: (2711) 778 4360; (281) 597-9578 (USA); Fax: (2711) 880 3391; (281) 597-9589 (USA). Email: info@glopac.com. For online registration: WWW.PETRO21.COM/EVENTS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GLOBALIZATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOP-MENT: PERS-PECTIVE OF DIGITAL REVOLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT is scheduled to be held at the Department of Earth Sciences, Tamil University, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, during 23-25 August, 2002. Jointly organised by the Tamil University and the Indian Geographical Society, Chennai, the conference is to commemorate the 75th year of the Indian Geographical Society in the service of the country. The focal themes of the seminar are: Globalization Process, Economic Liberalisation, Sustainable Development, Earth Summit and After, Digital Revolution, Information Technology, Impact of Internet, Intranet, Extranet, Geoinformatics, Spatial Strategies for Global Problems, Economic Development and Development of Reforms, Resources and Environmental Management, Environmental Damage and Hazards, Alternative Environmental Impact Assessment, Local Communities and Globalization, Local Communities and Sustainable Development, Participation and Involvement, People-Centred versus Public Centered policies/Programmes, IT and International Migration, Employment and Unemployment, Corporate World, e-Commerce, e-marketing and e-governance, Governments and Privitization, World Trade Organisation (WTO) and the Developed world, Sustainable Development and International Funding Organizations, Globalization and the IMF and the World Bank, North-South Dialogue: Then and Now, Policy and Planning Processes in the Developed and the Developing World and Educational Renewal. All correspondence regarding the International Conference, abstracts, registration, hotel accommodation, field trips should be addressed to Dr. G. Victor Rajamanickam, Organising Secretary, International Conference GOSUDREM, Department of Earth Sciences, Tamil University, Thanjavur - 613 005, India. Phone: 91-4362-26536; Fax: 91-4362-26149; Email: vrajamanickam@yahoo.com or rsenthamarai@yahoo.co.in