

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NATIONAL SEMINAR ON GEOSCIENTIFIC ENDEAVOUR IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RECENT ADVANCES IN GEOLOGY OF CENTRAL INDIA, 19-21 JULY 2001.** Geological Survey of India is celebrating 150th year of its inception during the year 2001-2002. As a part of the year-long celebrations, the Central Region of GSI would hold a national seminar on "Geoscientific endeavour in national development and recent advances in geology of Central India" on 19th, 20th and 21st July, 2001.

This National Seminar has the basic objective of collecting and collating information on the status and futuristic approaches in the fields of mineral and solid fuel resources, non-conventional energy, air-borne and ground geophysical surveys, palaeomagnetic studies, remote sensing and photogeological studies, tectonics, crustal evolution and ore genesis, development of village economy, geological information management, as also the interactive mechanism required between GSI and the academic institutions for greater co-ordination in the field of geosciences. For further details, please contact K.G. Bhoskar, Organising Secretary and Director, Project Economic Geology, Op. Maharashtra, Geological Survey of India, Seminary Hills, Nagpur - 440 006. **Phone:** 0712-510815, 510226 (Extn. 2050); **Fax:** 0712-511671, 510665, 510036; **Email:** gsigdi@nagpur.dot.net.in; Gsipgrs@nagpur.dot.net.in; Gsigdoi@nagpur.dot.net.in; Gsiopn@nagpur.dot.net.in

**INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON APPLIED GEOCHEMISTRY IN THE COMING DECADES, August 10-12, 2001.**

Main themes of the symposium are: (1) Magmatism and metallogeny, (2) Geochemistry of sedimentary deposits, (3) Exploration for metals and non-metals, (4) Isotopes in hydrocarbon research and exploration, (5) Geoanalysis and geochemical data processing, and (6) Environmental and experimental geochemistry. For further details, please contact K. Surya Prakash Rao, Convener/Secretary, Indian Society of Applied Geochemists (ISAG), Post Box No.706, Osmania University, Hyderabad - 500 007.

**CONTACT COURSE ON STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY FOR YOUNG EARTH SCIENTISTS FROM INSTITUTIONS IN NORTHEAST INDIA 5-28 November, 2001.**

A contact course on structural geology for young earth scientists from institutions in Northeast India, sponsored by Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India will be held at the Department of Geography, NEHU, Shillong from November 5-28, 2001. The course is open to young research scholars/lecturers, preferably below 35 years of age, from universities/colleges and professional geologists from Central and State Governments stationed in Northeast India who have keen interest in teaching/research on structural geology and in structural mapping. The course will include theoretical and practical classes on fundamentals and modern developments in structural geology and a short field training. There is no course fee and T.A./D.A. will be paid by DST as per rules. Applications on plain papers giving the biodata, research/teaching experience and forwarded by the Head of the Department/Research Supervisor should reach Prof. D. Mukhopadhyay by July 30, 2001. Please mention complete postal address, telephone/fax number and email address in the application. Applications may also be sent by fax or email. Address of correspondence: Prof. D. Mukhopadhyay, Department of Geology, University of Calcutta, 35 Ballygunge Circular Road, Kolkata - 700 019; **Phone:** 033-5568099; **Fax:** 033-2467754; **Email:** elfim@vsnl.net

**INTERNATIONAL GROUNDWATER CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF GROUNDWATER RESOURCES IN SEMI-ARID REGIONS WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO HARD ROCKS, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, India February 20-22, 2002.**

Main themes of the conference are: (1) Application of remote sensing techniques and Geographic Information System (GIS) in groundwater resource assessment, (2) Geophysical techniques in delineation of fracture zones and sub-surface polluted zones, (3) Tracer techniques for the evaluation of hydrological parameters and recharge process, (4) Characterization of fracture geometry and its properties for understanding the flow mechanism in hard rocks, (5) Industrial pollution in groundwater system and its impact on society, (6) Application of modeling in the management of groundwater resources in porous and fractured media (quantity and quality aspects), (7) Over exploitation of coastal aquifer and its impact on socio-economic conditions, (8) Artificial recharge methods for augmentation of groundwater resources to improve its quantity and quality, (9) Remedial measures to contain groundwater pollution (soil and water) and (10) Community management of groundwater resources in developing countries with special reference to India. For further details please contact Dr. M. Thangarajan, Deputy Director and Head, Groundwater Modelling Group, National Geophysical Research Institute, Uppal Road, Hyderabad - 500 007. **Phone:** 91-40-7170141 (Extn.2482); **Fax:** 91-40-7171564, 7170491; **Email:** mthangarajan@satyam.net.in; postmast@csngri.ren.nic.in; thangarajan@hyderabademail.com