Katol Meteorite Shower, Vidharbha Area, Maharashtra – Geological Survey of India, Central Region

An incidence of meteoritic shower had occurred in the Katol area on the afternoon of 22 May 2012 with a loud noise heard between 2 to 2.30 pm. Samples were collected from four localities in and around Katol city. Samples collected were of stony meteorites with varying size and shape and typical burnt surface. Compositionally these meteorites are dominated by silicates with little iron. There is very good chance of getting meteorite samples from other parts between Akola and Nagpur as huge sound with very bright and dazzling light had been noticed by many people in a stretch of around 150 km in ENE-WSW direction.

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