

education and training in earth sciences and to scientists and researchers dealing with investigations on coasts.

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**RECENT RESEARCHES IN SEDIMENTOLOGY 1993** V. JHINGRAN, (Ed)  
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This volume contains papers selected from among those presented during the VII and VIII Convention of the Indian Association of Sedimentologists held in 1990. The only connecting link among all the papers included is that they all deal with sediments and sedimentary rocks.

The survey of sedimentology in India (V. K Verma, 1-41) brings out the latest thinking on the environments of deposition of stratigraphic units in Vindhya, Gondwanas and Siwaliks. The papers by Rajendra Singh (42-53), Diwaker Singh *et al* (54-62) and Yamuna Singh and Dharendra Kumar (103-113) deal directly or indirectly with uranium mineralisation in some of the sedimentary rocks in India. The contributions by Raiverman on Siwalik Conglomerates (114-129) and Arora and Khan on Talchir tillite and sandstones (72-92) are excellent examples of how a very detailed study of different parameters of sediments and their analyses can throw light on palaeodrainage in one case and tectonic setting in the other. That subtle variations in the environments of deposition can be reasonably predicted is brought out well in the studies of Bhandar limestone by Yamuna Singh and Dubey (130-140) and modern sediments in three bays off Ratnagiri in the west coast by Victor Rajamanickam and Gujar (154-164). The rest of the papers deal with studies on texture, heavy minerals and environments of deposition of some of the ancient and modern sediments.

This volume is bound to be of interest to scholars working in the field of sedimentology as the papers cover some of the types of studies that can be undertaken in the field and methodologies usually adopted in analysing field and laboratory data.

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**THE STORY OF WIND ENERGY 1993**, By D. Chandra, Dev Sahitya  
Kutir Private Ltd., 21, Jhamapukur lane, Calcutta - 700 009, 32p. Rs.24.00

Though the author was an eminent teacher of the properties and occurrence of coal, one of the most commonly used form of conventional energy, it is praiseworthy that he has undertaken to advance the cause of less known non-conventional renewable forms of energy. Earlier contributions have been on solar energy and water energy.

The present booklet deals in brief about wind energy, the history of its development and use in other countries and the areas where this can be profitably harnessed. Sketches and photographs have been included to explain the principles and possible mode of use. Unfortunately in India, harnessing this form of energy is yet to make a beginning. This neatly got up publication is a good introduction to this form of energy.

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