

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REFRESHER COURSE IN QUATERNARY GEOLOGY: The Department of Geology, M S University of Baroda, Vadodara is organizing a UGC sponsored refresher course in Quaternary Geology for university and college teachers from 1-21 November 2003. For further details, please contact Dr LS Chamyal, Coordinator, Department of Geology, Faculty of Science, M S University of Baroda, Vadodara - 390 002, Gujarat **Phone:** 0265-2785560 (O), 0265-2712144 (R), **Email:** lschamyal@yahoo.com or refgeol2003@yahoo.co.in

16TH CONFERENCE OF THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF GEOMORPHOLOGISTS: This conference is being organised by the Survey of India (SOI) and the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) will focus attention on the main theme of "Mountain Geomorphology, Multi-dimensional Approach" during 24-26 November 2003 at Dehra Dun, Uttaranchal. For further details, please contact Prof S C Kharkwal, Organising Secretary, B-70, Sector II, Defence Colony, Dehra Dun - 248 001, Uttaranchal **Phone:** (0135) 2665814

20TH CONVENTION OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SEDIMENTOLOGISTS (IAS). This convention is scheduled to be held during 28-30 November, 2003 at the Department of Geology, H N B Garhwal University, Snnagar (Garhwal), Uttaranchal. The focal theme of the convention would be Contemporary sedimentation and pedological studies with special reference to the Himalaya. Other themes to be addressed are (a) Sedimentation models, (b) Pedological studies, (c) Basin studies, (d) Sedimentary geochemistry and (e) Applied studies like dust pollution, landslides, land reclamation, flash floods etc. There will be a separate session for young sedimentologists (below 35 years and members of IAS by 31-8-2003). Professor R C Mishra medal shall be awarded to the best paper presented. For further details, please contact Dr YP Sundnyal, Convener and Reader, Department of Geology, HNB Garhwal University, Uttaranchal - 246 174 **Phone:** 01368-252878 (R), 01368-252190 (O), **Fax:** 01368-252174, **Email:** ypsundnyal@yahoo.co.in, ypsundnyal@indiatimes.com

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON NATURAL HAZARDS (EARTHQUAKES AND LANDSLIDES) - CHALLENGES, PERSPECTIVES AND SOCIETAL DIMENSIONS WITH FOCUS ON THE STATE OF UTTARANCHAL AND THE 13th CONVENTION OF THE INDIAN GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS: This Conference and Convention are scheduled to be held during 26-28 December 2003 at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG) Dehra Dun, Uttaranchal. For full details, please contact Dr A K Mahajan, Secretary IGC, Conference 'Natural Hazards', Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, 33 GMS Road, Dehra Dun - 248 001 **Phone:** 0135-2624806 (O) Extn 594, 0135-2625967 (R), **Fax:** 0135-2625212, **Email:** akmahajan@rediffmail.com or Prof A K Awasthi, Secretary, Indian Geological Congress, PB No 114, 401/1, First floor, 35 A, Civil Lines, Roorkee - 247 667 **Phone:** 01335-277827 (O), 01332-273407 (R), **Fax:** 01332-273560, **Email:** indiangeocon@sancharnet.in, opvarmaigcrurki@yahoo.com

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE MINERAL DEVELOPMENT: The Felicitation Committee and the PG Department of Geology, Utkal University propose to hold the seminar at Bhubaneswar on 29 February 2004 on the above topic. For further details, please contact Dr (Mrs) M Das, Head of the Department of Geology, Utkal University, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar- 751 004, Orissa **Phone:** 0674-2586588 (O), (0674)-2581974 (R), **Email:** d_madhumita@rediffmail.com or rnhot@yahoo.com

TERRAIN AND GEOHAZARD CHALLENGES FACING ONSHORE OIL AND GAS PIPELINES: This international conference is scheduled to be held in London, UK during 2-4 June 2004. The conference will be of interest to civil, pipeline and geotechnical engineers, engineering geologists, applied/engineering, geomorphologists, geohazard specialists and environmental practitioners. The conference will address all issues related to terrain and pipeline engineering. For further details, please contact Sue Frye, ICE Conference, Institution of Civil Engineers, One Great George Street, Westminster, London SW1P 3AA, UK **Fax:** 444 (0)20 7233 1743, **Phone:** 444 (0)20 7665 2315, **Email:** Sue.Frye@ice.org.uk

32nd INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS: The 32nd International Geological Congress is scheduled for 20-25 August 2004 at Florence, Italy. The theme of the Congress is "From the Mediterranean Area Towards a Global Geological Renaissance, Geology, Natural Hazards and Cultural Heritage". Full details of the conference may be accessed from the **website:** <http://www.32igc.org>