## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WORKSHOP ON GEOLOGICAL COMPUTING (WOGEOCOM)

As a part of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Department of Geology, V.O. Chidambaram College, Thoothukudi, a ten-day Workshop on Geological Computing (WOGEOCOM) during 15-24 July 2002 for young researchers and post-graduate students in geoscience related disciplines has been planned. Also planned are poster as well as seminar sessions and an exhibition. For registration and other details please contact: V. Radhakrishnan, Convener and Organising Secretary, WOGEOCOM, Department of Geology, Thoothukudi - 628 008, Tamil Nadu. Phone - 91-0461-310175; Cable: "VEEOCEE", TUTICORIN; Fax: 91-0461-347777; Email: veeocee@sancharnet.in or vrkgeologist@rediffmail.com; Website: www.geocities.com/wogeocom

## INDIAN SOCIETY FOR MASS SPECTROMETRY (ISMAS) SILVER JUBILEE SYMPOSIUM ON MASS SPECTROMETRY Dona Paula, Goa, 27-31 January 2003

ISMAS is organising its Silver Jubilee Symposium on Mass Spectrometry in association with National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Dona Paula, Goa, during 27-31 January 2003.

Invited talks by distinguished mass spectroscopists from India and abroad would be a highlight of the Symposium. Contributed papers (posters), vendor exibilition stalls of equipments and technical presentations by instrument manufacturers are some of the additional envisaged features of the symposium. For further details, please contact: Dr. S.K. Aggarwal, President, ISMAS, Fuel Chemistry Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Trombay, Mumbai - 400 085; Phone: 91-22-5593740 (O); 91-22-5565694 (R); Email: skaggr@hotmail.com or skaggr@magnum.barc.ernet.in; Website: www.ismas.org

## **ORIENTATION COURSES IN GEMMOLOGY**

Earnings from export of gems and jewellery accounts for a major chunk of total exports from our country and hence of great importance for the economy. Geological Society of India is planning to organise "Orientation Courses in Gemmology" at different centres to cater to the requirement of college teachers and researchers with the objective of enabling them to offer courses in gemmology at their respective institutions.

The first course is planned for December 2002 at Bangalore and the second at Mumbai in January 2003. For further details, interested participants may please contact: Prof. R.V. Karanth, Department of Geology, Faculty of Science, M.S. University of Baroda, Vadodara - 390 002; Phone: 0265-785560; Email: rv\_karanth@yahoo.co.in