## **OBITUARY**



**R.S. Hanagodimath** (1944-2008)

The news of the passing away of R.S. Hanagodimath in the early hours of 21 June 2008, came as a shock. He was a Life Member of the Geological Society of India.

Prof. Hanagodimath was born on 1 March, 1944 in Byadagi, Dharwad district. He had his early education at Byadagi and moved to Dharwad for his higher education. He obtained his B.Sc. degree in 1965 and M.Sc. (Applied Geology) degree in 1968, both from the Karnatak University, Dharwad. In 1969, he joined the Post-graduate Department of Geology as a Junior Research Fellow of the UGC to pursue his research under the able guidance of Prof. M.S. Sadashivaiah. He worked on granites, gneisses and associated rocks around Koratgere, Tumkur district, Karnataka for his Ph.D. degree. He obtained his Ph.D degree in 1975 and soon became a lecturer and then eleveated to the post of Reader in 1985 and to Professor in 1993.

In a time span of nearly 35 years of his research and professional career, Dr. Hanagodimath has published more

than 20 research papers in reputed journals and has supervised 3 Ph.D and four M.Phil. programmes. He was also associated with a major research project of the DST in the early stages of its implementation. He also excelled in teaching. Generation of students remember him as an inspiring teacher and a good research guide.

He was the Chairman of the Department of Studies in Geology for two years between 2000-2002 and during the same period, he was also the Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology of Karnatak University, Dharwad.

He had great fascination for Astrology, which he nourished till the end. He was gentle at heart and friendly in spirit. He retired from the University services in March 2004. After retirement he was ailing from Hepatite-B for the last two years, but had a peaceful end. A noble soul has departed. May God bestow peace, courage and strength to the bereaved family.

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## **ERRATA**

In the note on "Conjunctive Use of Surface Water and Groundwater – State of Art" by S. Das published in the August 2008 issue of the Journal, on page 289, column 3, line 4: '7264' should read as '1614'.