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## THE COMPLETE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF FOSSILS

The third edition of the book "The Complete Encyclopedia of Fossils" written by M. Ivanov, S. Hrdlickova and R. Gregorova and published by REBO Publishers, The Netherlands, in 2005 is a comprehensive guide to fossils from around the world. It consists of 650 beautiful colour photographs and extensively written 17 pen drawings and a geological time scale at the end. It depicts a cross-section of flora and fauna in its development from the Proterozoic to the present day. Within the pages of this book, we travel back in time across millions of years and witness the development of life on our planet earth.

In Chapter 1, the plants are classified from fundamental single-cell organisms to angiosperms as per the established palaeobotanical system. Most of these fossil plants are described from Europe and also from Russia. There are no Indian references. Animal remains are dealt with in Chapter 1 to Chapter 7 from single-cell organisms to chordates according to the palaeozoological system. With each of the

systematic categories, the geological periods are indicated running from divisions through to families with the periods in which these specimens are found.

The authors have made tremendous effort in portraying the remains of animals and plants preserved astonishingly through the time in the form of beautiful colour photos. The more fragmentary remnants often require considerable scientific experience and access to large collections for comparison, in order to be able to determine which species they belong to. Plants and animals are represented here from the simplest and more primitive forms to those whose close descendants we can recognize today. The publication is available in the library of the Geological Society of India for reference purposes.

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### ERRATA

Following corrections may be incorporated in the paper on "Multi decadal Rock Magnetic Record of Monsoonal Variations During the Past 3,700 Years from a Tropical Indian Tank" by R. Shankar and others (Jour. Geol. Soc. India, v. 68(3), 2006, pp. 447-459).

1. p. 452 right hand side column, 1 line  $1.7 \text{ Am}^{-1}$  should read as  $1.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m A}^{-1}$
2. p. 454, Fig. 6 the units for  $\chi_{\text{ARM}}/\text{SIRM}$  should be corrected as  $10^{-3} \text{ m A}^{-1}$
3. p. 454, right hand side column, 14<sup>th</sup> line from top (Basavaraju, 1971) should be replaced by (Rajashekarappa, 2001b)
4. References: Rajashekarappa (2001) should read as Rajashekarappa (2001a) and the following reference may be included:  
Rajashekarappa, B. (2001b) *Ithihasa Kathana*. CVG Publications, Bangalore