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National Seminar on

Geology and Mineralisation of Mahakoshal Group - Future Perspective



24th June 2022 Hotel Tuli Imperial, New Ramdashpeth, Nagpur



PREAMBLE

A one-day seminar on "Geology and Mineralisation of Mahakoshal Group-Future perspective and Recent Amendments in MEMC and Auction Rules" is being organized by Geological Survey of India, Mineral Exploration & Consultancy Limited and Gondwana Geological Society on 24th June 2022 at Nagpur. The seminar will be on hybrid mode with option to join online as participants. There will be four sessions with different themes. A tentative schedule of the seminar with themes is given in this brochure. Each session will have keynote addresses by distinguished speakers and presentations by invitation as well as participation. One abstract volume is planned to be released during the seminar.

About the Seminar

With the advent of the modern technologies, there has been a major shift in focus for targetting various mineral commodities for sustainable growth of mankind. The ever-lasting need for metals and minerals not only warrant development of policies but also require new innovative exploration strategies. To achieve the absolute synergy, the Government of India has enacted several policies and implemented several amendments to reform the mineral sectors. The recent times have witnessed a paradigm shift in mineral auctioning policies in the form of comprehensive amendment of The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 during 2015 as well as in 2021. The amendment has brought out new level of transparency in mineral exploration eco-system of the country along with mandating the auction of mineral concessions to improve clarity in the allocating of mining blocks.

In such an illuminating backdrop, it's the demand of the hour to diversify our voyage beyond the known. Among the 54 known supra-crustal belts of Indian Peninsula, there have been massive focus on exploration in the Proterozoic metallogenic belts located in southern, eastern and western India. In contrast, there are many more mobile/greenstone belts that have not been explored to that extent. One of such, is commonly known as Mahakoshal belt of the Central Indian Tectonic Zone (CITZ). It still remains one of the most intriguing geological mosaics within the CITZ. Geological Survey of India, along with universities and other institutions have worked extensively in the Mahakoshal belt for ages, unearthing wealth of information about the metallogeny of the belt. However, in view of the cutting-edge techniques in modern exploration, it is now high time to re-evaluate the economic perspectivity of the belt, both in the brown-field and green field areas.

In order to realign strategies, we need to converge together with ideas, dataset and resource potential of Mahakoshal Belt. Aligning well with the notion, a one-day national seminar on 'Geology and Mineralisation of Mahakoshal Group-future perspective and recent Amendments in Exploration and Auction Rules' is planned with high hopes to open-up new horizons for the torch-bearers in the exploration landscape. The seminar aspires to bring the legendary works, recent progress as well as the existing exploration ecosystem together. It is planned in hybrid mode (offline as well as online) to reach maximum researchers, academicians, explorers. Based on the expertise, experiences and illustrious contributions, distinguished speakers are being invited to deliver key-note presentations. In addition, the front-line researchers have also confirmed their participation. An abstract volume is planned to be released during the seminar.

BRIEF SCHEDULE

Registration k	by the participants	
09:0	0 – 09:25	
Inaugu	ural Session	
09:30 – 10:05		
Tea Break	(10:05 – 10:20)	
Technical Session-I (Geology and metallogeny of Mahakoshal		
Belt, CITZ, India)		
10:20 – 12:10		
Technical Session-II (Exploration	on trends in Mahakoshal Belt, CITZ,	
I	India)	
12:10 – 13:30		
Lunch Break (13:30 – 14:15)		
Technical Session-III (Exploration strategies and way forward)		
14:15 – 16:05		
Tea Break	<mark>(16:05 – 16:30)</mark>	
Technical Session-IV (MEMC and Auction Rules)		
16:30 – 18:00		
Validatory Function (18:00 – 18:30)		
Concluding remarks		
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Technical Session-I (Geology and metallogeny of Mahakoshal Belt, CITZ, India)				
10.00 10.10	In Chair: Dr. S.Raju			
10:20 – 10:40	Keynote Address	Dr. S. Raju, DG, GSI		
10:40 - 11:00	Keynote address on "Evolution of Central Indian	Dr. Abhinaba Roy,		
	Tectonic Zone with Particular Reference to Tectonics	Erstwhile GSI		
	of Mahakoshal Supracrustal Belť			
11:00 – 11:15	Metamorphic evolution of the contact aureole of the	Dr. S. P. Singh,		
	Jhirgadandi Pluton, Sonbhadra district, Mahakoshal mobile belt, Central India	Bundelkhand University		
11:15 – 11:30	An Evaluation of Two Pyroxene Geothermometer	Dr. Harel Thomas, HG Sagar University		
11:30 -11.45	Mahakoshal belt, Central, India: In light of Intrusive Granites	Shri Hemant Kumar, GSI		
11.45 - 12.00	Mahakoshal Group – A tectono-metamorphic perspective	Dr. Kasturi Chakraborty, GSI		
12:00 – 12:10	Felicitation of the speakers	Dr. S. Raju, DG, GSI		
Technical Session-II (Exploration trends in Mahakoshal Belt, CITZ, India)				
In Chair: Dr. D. K. Sinha				
12:10 – 12.30	Keynote address on "Geological Environment and LREE potentiality of Mahakoshal Group of Rocks, Central India"	Dr. D. K. Sinha, Director, AMD		
12:30 – 12.50	Keynote address on "Gold mineralisation in Gurhar	Shri M. A. Khan,		
	Pahar gold prospect, eastern Mahakoshal belt, Sidhi	Erstwhile GSI		
	district, M.P, India"			
12:50 -13:10	Multiple Fluid Sources and Geochemical Constraints on Genesis of Gold Mineralization in the Mahakoshal belt within Central Indian Tectonic Zone	Dr. M. L. Dora, GSI		
13:10 -13:25	Petrogenesis of Agori Basalts in the Ca. 2.1 Ga	Dr. V. V. Sesha Sai, GSI		
	Mahakoshal Supracrustal Belt, Central India Tectonic			
	Zone			
13:25 -13:30	Felicitation of the speakers	Dr. D. K. Sinha, Director, AMD		
	Lunch Break 13:30– 14:15			
Technical Session-III (Exploration strategies and way forward)				
In Chair: Shri Hemraj Suryavanshi				
14:15 -14:35	Keynote address on "Present challenges for search of commodities to the Geoscientists"	Shri P. Tarafdar, Erstwhile GSI		
14:35 -14:50	Geoscience Research Opportunities for Mineral	Shri D. S. Jeere, GSI		
	Targeting by the Application of Aero-geophysical Data			
	Sets in the Mahakoshal Supracrustal Greenstone Belt			
14:50 -15:05	A Comparative Study of the Stratigraphy, Structure	Dr. M. K. Devarajan,		
	and Gold Mineralization of the Palaeoproterozoic	Erstwhile GSI		
	Mahakoshal belt, India with the Birimian belt of West			
	African Craton			
15:05 - 15:20	Fertilizer Mineral Exploration in India by MECL: Status and Perspective	Shri P. Ravindaran, MECL		
15:20 - 15:35	"Regional Mineral targeting in Mahakoshal Belt: Approach and Challenges	Shri A. K. Talwar, GSI		
15:35 - 15:50	Characteristics of gold mineralisation in eastern	Shri P. S. Mishra, GSI		
	Mahakoshal belt, CITZ, India-Status and scope"			
15:50 - 16:05	Felicitation of the speakers	Shri Hemraj Suryavanshi,		
	Tea break (16:05-16:30)	ADG & NMH-II, Nagpur		

Technical Session-IV (MEMC and Auction Rules) In Chair: Dr. Ranjit Rath		
16:30 - 16:50	Keynote address on "Mineral Exploration Ecosystem for Indian Geological Milieu – Transformational Disruptions"	Dr. Ranjit Rath, CMD, MECL & Ex. DG, GSI
16:50 - 17:05	Note on Accreditation of Private Agencies by QCI- NABET	Shri Pradeep Singh, Director (Tech.), MoM
17:05 - 17:20	MMDR Amendment Act	Shri P. N. Sharma, IBM
17:20 - 17:35	Mineral Auction Rules	Shri Abhay Agarwal, IBM
17:35 - 17:50	Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Content) Rules, 2015 & its significance in Mineral Exploration	Shri S. K. Adhikari, IBM
17:50 - 18:00	Felicitation of the speakers	Dr. Ranjit Rath, CMD, MECL & Ex. DG, GSI
Valedictory function (18:00 – 18:30		