

## Department of Studies in Earth Science

The Department of Studies in Geology was started in the year 1960 under the stewardship of late Prof. M.N. Viswanathiah. Now this Department has blossomed into a prestigious center of Earth Sciences Studies in the country. The Department is making significant contributions in FOUR Research fields: 1) Precambrian Geology, Geochronology and Geochemistry, Mineral exploration. 2) Experimental Mineralogy and Material science 3) Sedimentology, Micro paleontology and sequence stratigraphy and 4) Hydrogeology, RS and GIS applications.

The Department offers three M.Sc., courses in Geology, Applied Geology and Earth Science & Resource Management. Research activity is supported by UGC-SAP I, II, III & IV Phases, COSIST, DST-FIST programs and the department is now eligible for Centre for Advanced Studies. Besides, the Department acquired several major and minor individual Research projects by DST, UGC, DAE, CSIR, NRSA and other International funding agencies. Many of our faculties are engaged in collaborative Research programs with prestigious International Research Institutions.

In order to encompass the broader Research and Teaching activities, the nomenclature of the Department has been changed to Department of studies in Earth Science in 2008.

### Alumni Meet

Department of Studies in Geology Alumni Association (DOSGAA- No.DRMA2-Reg /339 /A, 2008-09) was started during 2008-09 by the old students of this Department. Third Alumni meet is being held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011, at 2.30pm.

**A Group Discussion will be held on the following sub themes :**

1. Expectations from of students embarking on a career in Earth Science
2. Suggestions to improve the University curriculum to cater the Geologist's profession
3. Role of Earth Science in National Economy

The Executive committee extends invitation to all the alumnis of this Department to participate actively.

**Registration :** For alumni members Rs. 250/-  
For all others. Rs.500/-

**Accommodation :** Arranged on request, on payment basis.



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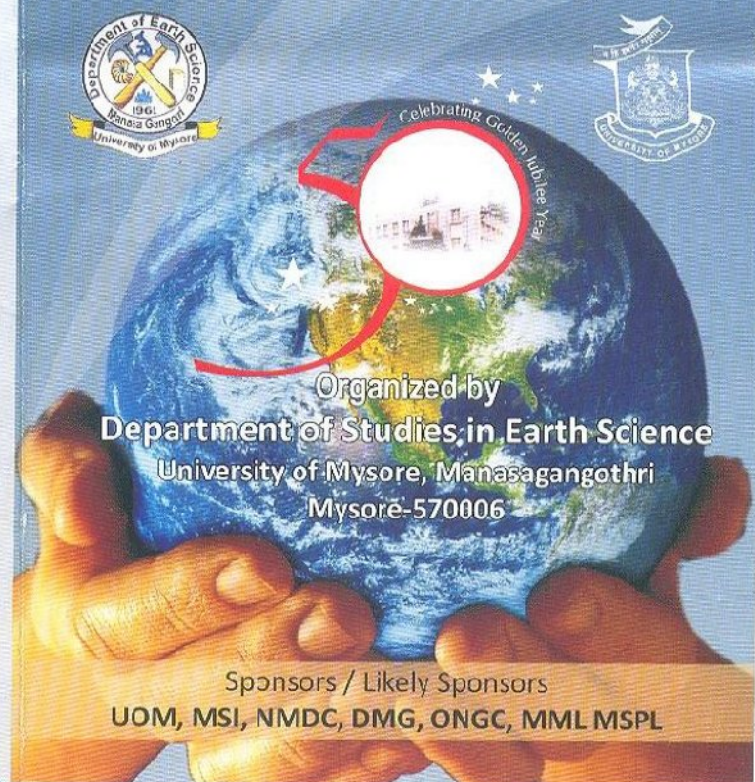


Prof. M.N.Viswanathiah  
90<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary

# Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Department of Studies in Earth Science and Alumni meet

*National Workshop on*  
Recent Advances in Sedimentary  
Basins and Associated Mineral  
Deposits of India

**29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011**



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## Scientific Program

To mark the 90th Birth anniversary celebrations of Prof. M.N. Viswanathiah, Golden Jubilee celebrations of Department of Studies in Earth Science and Alumni meet, a Two day National Workshop on "Recent Advances In Sedimentary Basins and Associated Mineral Deposits of India" will be held on 29th and 30th September 2011 at DOS in Earth Science, University of Mysore, Manasagangothri, Mysore.

The following Earth Scientists have agreed to deliver special lectures during the National Workshop :

1. Sri. A. Sundaramoorthy, DG, GSI, Kolkata
2. Prof. Naresh C Mehrotra, Director, BSIP, Lucknow
3. Dr. M.K. Rangarajan, ONGC, Mysore
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9. Dr. Saleem Ahmed Khan, Geomysore, Bangalore.
10. An Officer from ONGC
11. Dr. H.M. Ramachandra, Retd. Director, GSI, Bangalore

## Prof. M.N. Viswanathiah

Prof. M.N. Viswanathiah, born in 1921 in Mysore District of Karnataka state, got his B.Sc., (Hons.) and M.Sc., Degrees in Geology from Central college, Bangalore. He was conferred the Doctorate Degree from University of London in 1959. The Post Graduate centre in Geology was started under his stewardship during the Year 1960-61, in University of Mysore. 'Prof. MNV', as he was popularly known had his own tradition and adopted genre of organizing into such pace and distinction as very few organizers in India can claim any serious attention or comparison with them on organizational grounds. His ideas and implementation were inextricably woven into fabric of developing this Department. His patience and perseverance could fetch ample funds from various funding agencies for rapid development of this Department in terms of building, sophisticated equipments and personnel for teaching and research. The major contributions in earth science with a bunch of young researchers is the discovery of a sedimentary sequence known as Badami Group resting unconformably over Kaladgis. He served as Head of the Department for over 22 years and served in various academic and administrative bodies of the Universities. He was made the Vice Chancellor of the Bangalore University. He was elected as National Fellow of Science Academy of India in 1981. He also served as Secretary, Editor and President of the Mineralogical Society of India, which is housed in this Department.

MNV's wife Ms. Kempamma and sons Mr. M.V. Premachandra and Dr. M.V. Poomachandra have established the Endowment fund in the University of Mysore, to hold the annual endowment lecture in his name by inviting eminent Earth Scientists. 'Prof. M.N.V.' gold medal was instituted from the endowment fund created by his students, well wishers and admirers and is being awarded to the first rank holder of M.Sc. Applied Geology course of this Department every year.

