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NOTE ON CELEBRATION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

SU MAHARASHTRA, GSI, PUNE: 15TH AUGUST 2019

The 73rd Independence Day of India was celebrated in State Unit Maharashtra, GSI Pune on 15th August 2019 at the office premises with traditional pomp and gaiety. Shri P.K. Gajbhiye, Suptdg. Geologist and host for the programme welcomed all the officers, staff, retd officers who attended the function. The function began with hoisting of the National Flag by Shri. M.M.Powar, Dy.DG, SU Maharashtra and by singing of the National Anthem by all, including children, to pay respect to the nation. On this auspicious occasion Shri Powar, Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra, addressed the gathering and greeted all on the occasion. He expressed immense respect for the martyrs and freedom fighters who have made supreme sacrifices for the country and their contributions in the struggle for independence. He also recounted the contributions of the freedom fighters from Pune like Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar. He listed some important decisions taken in recent times by the Central Government like the abrogation of Article 370 and 35A from Kashmir and said that the government is capable of taking tough decisions which will be beneficial for the country in the long run.

During his speech Shri Powar also briefed on the achievements of GSI SU Maharashtra, and informed that six mineral blocks recommended to DGM Maharashtra have been auctioned in recent past and has fetched cumulative total revenue of more than 1200 crore rupees. He specifically mentioned about the bauxite blocks of Western Maharashtra which had been investigated by Shri S.K. Bhatia retd. Director, GSI, SU Maharashtra, Pune which have fetched nearly Rs 200 crore in the auction and described it as a phenomenal contribution by one of our predecessors. He requested all to draw inspiration from the work carried out by our seniors and carry forward the work carried out by them so that GSI can make more contributions to the society. Shri Powar also informed about the visit of the Dr. K. Rajeshwara Rao, Addl. Secretary (Mines) to SU Maharashtra, Pune to review of activities of

SU Maharashtra and presentations by the officers identified as high achievers in SU Maharashtra. The AS (Mines) recorded his appreciation for the presentations given by the high achievers and instructed that the template followed should be used all over India in GSI while making the presentation of the high achievers.

The Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra recounted another achievement of Pune office in the use of Rajbhasha and he informed that under the able guidance of Shri A.K. Singh, Director & Rajbhasha Adhikari, GSI SU Maharashtra, Pune had submitted 10 manuscripts in hindi for the Rajbhasha Sangosthi held in Jaipur on 20th June 2019. In the Sangosthi this office earned the reward for the maximum number of articles submitted in Hindi. Further, two officers, Smt Paramita Dasarwar and Smt. Rimpirekha Gogoi collected prizes for the best presentation in Hindi and award for best article written by non-Hindi speaking officer respectively. Thereafter, he congratulated all the prize winners and the participants of the Hindi Sangosthi.

He wished that GSI will contribute in the development of the country by exploring more mineral/auctionable blocks in future while ensuring that social causes like landslides and earthquakes, engineering geological problems etc. are also addressed by GSI, as it has been doing since long, for carrying out public good. Shri Powar concluded his speech by once again greeting one and all on the occasion of the 73rd Independence Day of India.

Thereafter Shri Bhaskar Bhusari Ex Dy.D.G. spoke on the occasion and greeted everybody on the 73rd Independence Day of India. He thanked the Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra for remembering the Ex GSI people and inviting them on these special occasions. He made a specific request to the Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra that GSI could take up studies on floods and water management in Maharashtra as this state faces both flood and drought in different parts of the state. He also said that he knew the difficulties of carrying out such a programme in view of multiple agencies being involved in carrying out such a programme successfully. He elaborated on the PGRS studies he had carried out earlier and informed Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra that if his services are required for the formulation of any programme he would be available. Dy.D.G. SU Maharashtra thanked him profusely and informed that GSI SU Maharashtra would try to formulate a programme on the lines suggested by taking the help of Shri Bhusari.

The programme ended with Shri P.K. Gajbhiye Suptdg. Geologist, thanking everybody, especially the retired personnel, for attending the programme and making it a grand success.

