



A NOTE ON VISIT OF ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR GENERAL & HOD, GSI, CENTRAL REGION, NAGPUR TO STATE UNIT, CHHATTISGARH

Shri Godise Vidya Sagar, Additional Director General & HOD, GSI, Central Region, Nagpur visited GSI State Unit Chhattisgarh along with Shri Milind V. Dhakate, Director, PSS, Central Region, Nagpur. On 08th April 2019, ADG & HOD along with Director, PSS. CR, Shri Ch. Durga Rao, Director-in-charge, Shri S.N. Mahapatro, Director and Shri Prashant P Kalpande, Suptdg Geologist visited Sandi block, Rajnandgaon district, Chhattisgarh to inspect the G-2 stage exploration for limestone.

The Supervisory Officer and Officers of the item explained the geological setup of the area, status of detailed mapping and progress of drilling. The team also studied the borehole cores at drilling site of borehole no. CRS 25 B. The ADG & HoD inquired about the time line for completion of drilling and sample processing. It was explained to him that a total of 34 boreholes are completed in Sandi block and one borehole CRS 25B is in progress and likely to be completed in couple of days. He also enquired about the progress of limestone exploration at the adjacent Bhikuria-Chhanta block. It was explained that in Bhikuria-Chhanta block, a total of 10 boreholes are completed and 14 boreholes are yet to be drilled. The ADG & HoD, GSI, CR appreciated the progress of work and asked the concerned officers to submit a note on this regard. The visiting dignitaries also examined the outcrop of stromatolitic limestone exposed near Udaipur village, Rajnandgaon district.

On 9th April 2019, the ADG & HoD, CR along with Director, PSS, CR held a review and interaction meeting with the officers of SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur in the Crookshank Hall. Ms. Annesha Banerjee, Geologist welcomed the ADG & HoD, with a flower bouquet, while Smt. Snigdha Das, Geologist welcomed Director, PSS, Nagpur. Shri S.N. Mahapatro, Director welcomed the ADG & HoD, CR and gave a brief introduction about the ADG & HoD to SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur and thanked him for visiting the office.

Shri Ch. Durga Rao, DIC, SU: Chhattisgarh, welcomed the ADG & HoD, CR to SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur. He briefed the activities of SU: Chhattisgarh and informed the house about the items taken up for FS 2019-20. He thanked the ADG & HoD, CR for taking immediate action on the demands of the office of SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur and requested him for the continued support.

Shri Yogesh Pandey, Director & HoO, SU: Chhattisgarh, welcomed and greeted the ADG & HoD, CR and Director, PSS, CR. He requested the ADG & HoD to look into the issue of shortage of administrative staff and pendency to clear medical bills. The ADG & HoD, CR assured that the matter will be resolved shortly.

Shri Milind V. Dhakate, Director, PSS, CR, Nagpur on addressing the house expressed his happiness that all the items of FS 2018-19 have been successfully completed. He also congratulated the team of two limestone investigation items for seamless upgradation to G-2 stage.

Shri G. Vidya Sagar, ADG & HoD, CR greeted all the officers of SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur. He also congratulated all the officers for successful completion of all items of FS 2018-19. He appreciated Shri Ch. Durga Rao, Director-in-charge for efficiently managing the office. In continuation, he also appreciated Shri S. N. Mahapatro, Shri Yogesh Pandey and all the supervisory officers for excellent management of items. He advised all the field officers to provide detailed report of daily activities in the monthly diary. He advised the officers to continue similar passion for execution of items of FS 2019-20.

Later, the ADG & HoD, CR interacted with the officers and staff and enquired about the experience and working environment at GSI, SU: Chhattisgarh, Raipur. The officers expressed their happiness in terms of the working environment. However, they requested for upgradation of infrastructure facilities in field and office. The ADG & HoD, CR assured that the matter will be taken up and will be addressed shortly.

A brochure on the activities of FS 2019-20 was released by the ADG & HoD, CR. The meeting was ended with vote of thanks proposed by Shri Ashish Bhandari, Sr. Geologist.

The ADG & HoD, CR visited FTC, Raipur in the afternoon. He was welcomed by the Director FTC, Core Faculty and staff of FTC, Raipur. The ADG & HoD, GSI, CR, Nagpur interacted with the officer trainees from Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka who are undergoing induction training course titled "Photo Geology & Remote Sensing, basics of GIS using open source software and Mineral exploration". The officer trainees expressed their gratitude to GSI for imparting training to their officers. The ADG & HoD, GSI, CR also enquired about the facilities provided by FTC, Raipur.

The ADG & HoD, GSI, CR, Nagpur interacted with the staff at FTC campus, Raipur. He enquired about the status of hutments, status of funds and manpower requirement in FTC. Shri Yogesh Pandey, Director explained about expenditure status and manpower deployment of FTC, Raipur. The ADG & HoD, GSI, CR appreciated the efforts carried out by FTC, Raipur in imparting training to the officers of various organizations along with courses conducted for the students of various Academic Institutions under Bhuvisamvad platform.



On field discussion regarding progress of work at Sandi drilling site, Rajnandgaon district. CG



Inspecting the core recovery at Borehole no. CRS-25B, Sandi drilling site, Rajnandgaon district. CG



Examining limestone core from borehole no. CRS-25B, Sandi block, Rajnandgaon district. CG



Exposure of stromatolitic limestone in Udaipur village, Rajnandgaon district. CG



Sh. S. N. Mahapatro, Director delivering welcome address



Sh. G. Vidya Sagar, ADG & HoD, CR addressing the house



Release of brochure on activities of FS 2019-20 by Sh. G. Vidya Sagar, ADG & HoD, CR



Shri Vidya Sagar ADG & HoD interacting with officer trainees from Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka in FTC, Raipur..



Officer trainees from the Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka explaining aerial photography at FTC, Raipur to Shri. G. Vidya Sagar, ADG & HoD, GSI, CR, Nagpur.



Shri. G. Vidya Sagar, ADG & HoD, discussing about activities and requirements of FTC, Raipur.