

A report on Annual Strategic Interaction Meet 2019 Telangana

The 'Annual Strategic Interaction Meeting-2019 (ASIM 2019)' for Telangana state was held on 18.04.2019 in the chamber of Sri S. K. Joshi, the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Telangana.

Dr K Rajeswara Rao, IAS Addl. Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India in his introductory remarks stated that the ASIM is to facilitate interaction between the State Govt. and the functionaries of Ministry of Mines.

Sri M Sridhar, Addl. Director General, Geological Survey of India (GSI), Southern Region, Hyderabad; Sri Ch Venkateswara Rao, Dy. Director General, GSI Training Institute; Sri S Ananda Murthy, Dy. Director General, GSI, SU-Telangana; Sri Shailendra Kumar, Regional Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM); Sri K Ramesh Kumar, Addl. Director, Atomic Mineral Division (AMD); Sri EVSSK Babu, Senior Principal Scientist, National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI); Dr K. Vinod Kumar, National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC); Sri M, Baskaran, Dy. Manager (Geology), Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd (MECL); Dr Abhijith Mukherjee, Dy. General Manager, National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (NMDC); Dr G Malsur, Vice-Chairman & Managing Director, T.S. Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (TSMDC) and Sri Rafi Ahmed, Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Telangana State participated in the ASIM.

Dr. K Rajeswara Rao expressed that the ASIM will help in coordination between Central & State Govt. Depts. involved in mineral exploration for the sustainable mineral development in the State. He also stated that the Ministry of Mines shall extend cooperation to the State Govt. in exploration and extraction of limestone, manganese ore, iron ore, coal as per the environmental norms.

Sri M. Sridhar, Addl. Director General & HoD GSI SR presented the contribution of GSI in Telangana in various activities pertaining to baseline data generation (through NGCM, NGPM, STM & aero-geophysical mapping etc.) besides mineral explorations and engineering geology. He also presented the programmes to be taken up in FS 2019-20.

Sri Ch. Venkateswara Rao, Dy. D.G & HoD, GSI Training Institute informed that GSITI is one of the best state-of-art National Training Institute at Hyderabad for capacity building of the Dept. of Mines & Geology and other stakeholders.

IBM, TSMDC and DM&G presented about their activities and the AMD, NGRI, MECL, NMDC etc. have briefed about their role in exploration of mineral resources in the State of Telangana.

Sri Rafi Ahmed, Joint Director of Mines & Geology appraised the house on mineral resources of the State.

The VC & MD, TSMDC stated that TSMDC is recognized as one of the National Exploration Agency by the Govt. of India and taken-up 4 mineral exploration projects under National Mineral Exploration Trust Fund.

Sri S K Joshi, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Telangana expressed that the model of issuance of clearances by Forest Dept. is to be adopted in the Dept. of Mines & Geology for expeditious grant of mineral concessions for overall development of mineral sector in the State. Further, the State Govt. with the cooperation of GSI, NMDC, NGRI, etc. shall work towards exploration of mineral resources in the State.

In the final remarks, the Chief Secretary stated that the State Govt. is ready to extend all required cooperation to Central Geological Agencies involved in exploration of minerals in the State.



Sri S K Joshi, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Telangana and Dr K Rajeswara Rao, IAS Addl. Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India with Delegates from Central and State Geological Agencies.

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