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MESSAGE

It gives me immense pleasure to convey my greetings to all personnel of Geological Survey of India on the occasion of its Foundation Day on 4th March. On this date 169 years back this great organisation commenced its exciting journey of developing geoscience and its application to societal concerns. In its chequered career it has done yeoman service in the development of the country and indeed the discipline of geoscience as well. It has incubated the birth of number of organisations in the country.

However, in the present scenario, instead of resting on past laurels, GSI need to be sensitive to the heightened expectations of the country and the geoscience sector. All need to walk the extra mile to produce quality output of the highest global standards to make an impact on the country's economy and the society. GSI's activities need to diversify touching all the interfaces of geoscience and society and its visibility needs to be enhanced, commensurate to its contributions. The ambitious VAQ program has provided an implementable way forward in this regard. The interactions with the students/faculty/researchers in different parts of the country through the Bhuvismvad program have enriched geoscience and GSI in diverse ways. The current financial year has been historic for GSI with the quantum jump in mineral exploration with about 400 programs and we expect the next financial year to be also of similar significant impact on the mineral sector.

Today is the right occasion to re-pledge ourselves for transformative changes in all the activities of GSI in the years ahead so that it attains the stature it truly deserves. I convey my best wishes to one and all.

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