

## **Minutes of the First Meeting of Mission-II** **(Natural Resource Assessment)**

The first meeting of Mission-II on Natural Resource Assessment was held at Geological Survey of India, Nagpur on 3.2.10 under the Chairmanship of Shri K.K.K. Nair, Dy. Director General, Central Region and Head of Mission-II. The following officers of GSI attended the meeting.

1. Shri K.K.K. Nair, Dy. Director General. and Head of Mission-II
2. Shri K.K. Nair, Director, Southern Region, Hyderabad
3. Shri G.K. Pancholi, Director, Western Region, Jaipur
4. Dr. D. Mohabey, Director, Central Region
5. Shri M. Mohan, Director, Operation Maharashtra, CR
6. Shri K. Sashidhran, Director, RTI, Nagpur
7. Shri R.K. Srivastava, Director, Central Region
8. Shri K.C. Mahapatra, Senior Geologist, Operation Maharashtra
9. Shri R.H. Chavhan, Junior Geologist, Operation Maharashtra

The Chairman briefed the participants on the importance and role of Mission-II. He observed that the Mission-II plays a major role in the mineral economy of the country and wanted that the data on Mission-II should be made available to the Mission Head from other Regions, so that periodic review is done.

The first meeting covered the following points:

1. Progress of work under Mission-II in the Regions
2. Road Map on short term and long term policy for Mission-II particularly for commodity with deficient resources.
3. Outcome of interaction with DGM's of the Regions
4. Base document on Fertilizer Minerals

Shri K. Sashidhran, Director, RTI, Nagpur presented the details on Mission II, which outlined the concept and perspective of Mission II, and potential areas of mineralisation

Shri K.K. Nair, Director, Mission-II, Southern Region, presented the review of work in Southern Region. There are 23 field items under Mission -II in Southern Region. During the presentation he expressed the problems faced while collecting the data from Marine Wing..

The Chairman observed that in Mid-Term review meeting, Head of Mission-II should be involved so that progress of work under Mission-II could be reviewed systematically and future course of action could be taken accordingly.

Shri Pancholi, Director, Western Region presented the progress of work in Western Region. The Chairman observed that there should be regular interaction of GSI, Western Region with DGM of the Region.

Shri Mohan, Director presented the progress of work of Central Region. The Chairman commented that as per the decision taken in the first meeting of CGPB Committee-IV a training programme on fertilizer minerals is to be conducted by Training Institute, Hyderabad. The Chairman wanted the participation of all the regions in the Mission-II meeting for meaningful contribution to Mission-II. The participants expressed difficulties faced in carrying out day to day activities of the mission due to infrastructure and suggested that meeting of all the missions with DG, GSI should be held for deciding adequate placements and posting to strengthen the missions.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks by shri. S.K. Srivastav, Director, CR.