

NATIONAL MINERAL AWARDS 1999

The Ministry of Mines and Minerals, Department of Mines, Government of India, invites nominations for annual National Mineral Awards, instituted by the Ministry in 1966, for honouring individuals/teams of earth scientists for their extraordinary achievements and contributions under three sections covering **twelve** fields. The sections are (1) Minerals and Geoinformation, covering five listed fields, (2) Basic and Applied Geosciences, covering five listed fields, and (3) Fuel Minerals, covering two listed fields. In total, there will be 12 annual awards, each carrying a cash prize of Rs 50,000, a certificate, a citation and a trophy. Besides, one National Mineral Award for Excellence has been instituted recently for very high attainments and life time achievements in any of the above fields of geosciences and carries a cash prize of Rs one lakh, a certificate, a citation and a trophy.

The nominations should be sponsored by Heads of the listed departments/organisations under Central Government Ministries/Departments engaged in geoscientific work, listed Professional Societies, Academic and Research Institutions, State Government Directorates of Geology & Mining and Central and State Government Departments controlling Public Sector Undertakings engaged in mining, mineral exploration, groundwater development or oil & gas exploration.

The nominations should reach the Secretary, Board of Management, Geological Survey of India, C-II, Pushpa Bhavan, Madangir Road, New Delhi 110 062 latest by 31 March 2000. Regulations governing the awards and the proforma for nominations have already been circulated amongst the sponsoring organisations. The nomination(s) forwarded on proforma other than the prescribed one will not be entertained.

(Note: For listed fields/organisations, please consult Regulation Book)