

Ms. Urmi Ghosh & Mr. Soubhagya Ranjan Behera, M. Sc. students in Geology of School of Earth, Ocean & Climate Sciences of the Institute are the overall winners and win the first prize of Mineral Development Awareness Quiz (MDAQ) Programme, - 2015 (MDAQ – 2015).

The programme organized during 28th to 30th August, 2015 by the Society of Geoscientists and Allied Technologists in association with Tata Steel, Essel Mining Industries Ltd., Rungta Mines, Tata Sponge Iron Ltd., M/s MGM Group & M/s S N Mohanty.

Students from 18 institutions i.e. IIT Kharagpur, IIT Bhubaneswar, Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad, NIT Raipur, NIT Rourkela, IEST Shivpur, Calcutta University, Ravenshaw University, Utkal



University, Sambalpur University, Khallikote Autonomous College, Berhampur, DD Autonomous College, Keonjhar, Govt. College of Engineering, Keonjhar (Geology), AKS University, Satna, University College of Engineering, Kothagudem, Govt. Engineering College, Keonjhar (Mining), IGIT Sarang, Govt. College of Engineering, Keonjhar (Metallurgy) participated in the programme.

A series of competitions were organized during the programme consisting of identification of rock and mineral/ore samples and interpretation of satellite imagery by geology students; identification of mineral/ore samples and photographs of mining equipment by mining students and identification of mineral/ore samples, metallurgical products and photographs of metallurgical processes by metallurgy students. The programme also included visit to the Siljora-Kalimati Manganese and Iron ore Mine of Rungta, Tata Sponge Iron Plant, Bileipada, Noamundi Iron ore Mine and Rain Water Harvesting Structure of Tata Steel, Noamundi.

In the final oral quiz programme subject specific questions on geology, mining & metallurgy and questions on general knowledge were answered by the participants.

Amongst others officers of Directorate of Geology, Odisha and Directorate of Mines, Odisha assisted and attended the programme.