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Press Release

Entrance Test for International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) 2015 will be held at Periyar University at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday the 15th February 2015. The International Earth Science Olympiad is an annual competition for secondary school students. The Geological Society of India will be conducting an objective-type Entrance Test to select about 20 students to attend a Training Camp in Earth Sciences during the summer of 2015. Students of X, XI and XII standards who were born between 01st July 1997 and 01st July 2000, and who have not won a medal in an earlier IESO are eligible to participate in the IESO test.

The students selected for the Training Camp will be awarded Certificates of Participation and the four students selected for the IESO will be awarded Certificates of Merit and Cash Prizes (Rs. 5,000/- each). Four students will be finally chosen from among the Training Camp participants who will represent India at the 8th International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO), to be held in Brazil. The IESO is supported by the Ministry of Earth Science (MoES), Government of India as one of its outreach programme for promotion of Earth Science.

The main aims of the IESO are to encourage student's interest and public awareness of Earth Science and to enhance Earth Sciences learning and to enhance Earth Science teaching/learning at school level. The IESO aims further to foster friendly relationships among young learners from different countries and promoting international cooperation in exchanging ideas and materials on Earth sciences and Earth sciences education. The Earth Science Olympiad program in the country involved four stages: (i) National level Entrance Test, (ii) Training Camp culminating in the Indian National Earth Science Olympiad, (iii) Pre-departure training camp and (iv) International Earth Science Olympiad.

Students can download the Application Form, syllabus and details from www.geosocindia.com/ieso2015. Filled in applications along with the application fee of Rs. 50/- by money order or demand draft favouring the test centre in charge should reach Prof. Dr. R. Venkatachalapathy, Professor of Geology, In-charge, IESO Test, Periyar University, Salem - 636 011 on or before 10th February 2015. Contact: 9442105151; rvenkatachalapathy@gmail.com.

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