



**B. L. Rajashekaraiah
(1936 – 2011)**

Bangalore Linganna Rajashekaraiah, was born on 2 October 1936 in Bangalore. He studied Geology at the Central College, Bangalore and obtained M.Sc. degree in Geology in 1963 from the University of Mysore.

He joined the Department of Mines & Geology, Government of Karnataka as an Assistant Geologist in 1964 and served the Department with dedication for a period of 30 years and retired from service in the capacity of Acting Joint Director in 1994. Major part of his service was in Bellary, Raichur and Chitradurga districts of Karnataka. During his stint as geologist, Rajashekaraiah explored for quartz, bauxite and laterite deposits. His work on bauxite

and laterite deposits in Korvi (Dist. Gulbarga) and Baindoor (Dist. Dakshina Kannada) and quartz deposits in Tawergera (Dist. Raichur) are well known. He was elected to the Life Fellowship of the Geological Society of India in 1973.

Rajashekaraiah was known among his colleagues and friends for his good humour and kind-heartedness. He was a very likable and humane and his heart went out for the socially downtrodden. Rajashekaraiah passed away on 31 December 2011. He is survived by wife K.S. Girija, son B.R. Thejendra Kumar, daughters Sharavathi and Sumathi.

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