



**Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium
Bangalore Association for Science Education**



Asteroid Day is celebrated the world over on the 30th of June every year. Siberia experienced a huge impact from a meteorite on June 30th 1908. Knowing Asteroids is an opportunity to understand the nature of the original ingredients which made the solar system. Asteroid impacts can be catastrophic for life on earth, hence Scientists study the trajectory of potentially dangerous asteroids that could cause greater damages.

Scientists are also coming up with several ways of combating such an asteroid if one strayed out and raced towards the earth. 'Asteroid Day' events aim to educate the public about these aspects.

Jawaharlal Nehru planetarium, Bengaluru is celebrating the 'Asteroid Day' with

- **Display of six meteorites along with poster exhibition**
- **Workshop on "Asteroids" for high school students between 1:00 pm-4:00 pm**
- **A public lecture on asteroids and on Meteors by *Dr. Jitendra Nath Goswami, Former Director, Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, at 4:00 pm for the public.***

Interested High school students are requested to register with the planetarium on or before June 28th for the workshop, as entry is limited. There is no registration charge. All are welcome for the public lecture. Poster exhibition are open between 10.30am and 4.30pm. Members of public and students can make use of the opportunity. Entry to the exhibition is free.

Further details may be obtained from Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium on 2237 9725 / 2220 3234 or email to info@taralaya.org Or visit our website: <http://www.taralaya.org/announcements.php>