

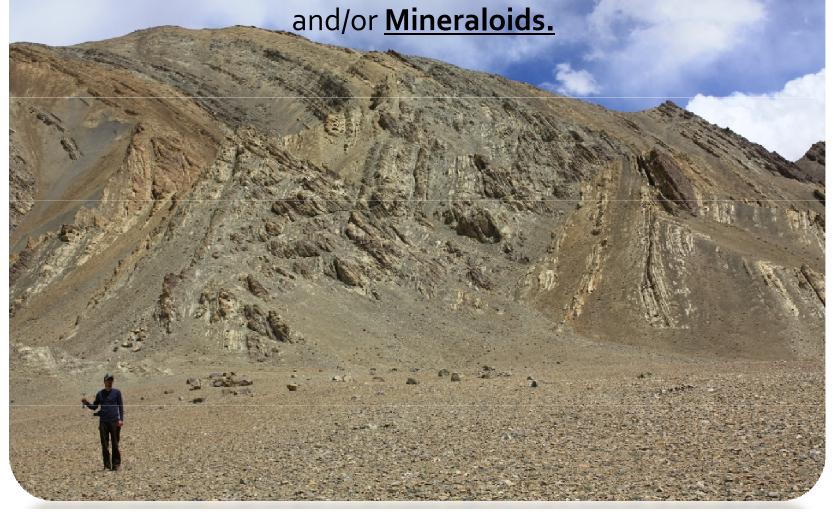
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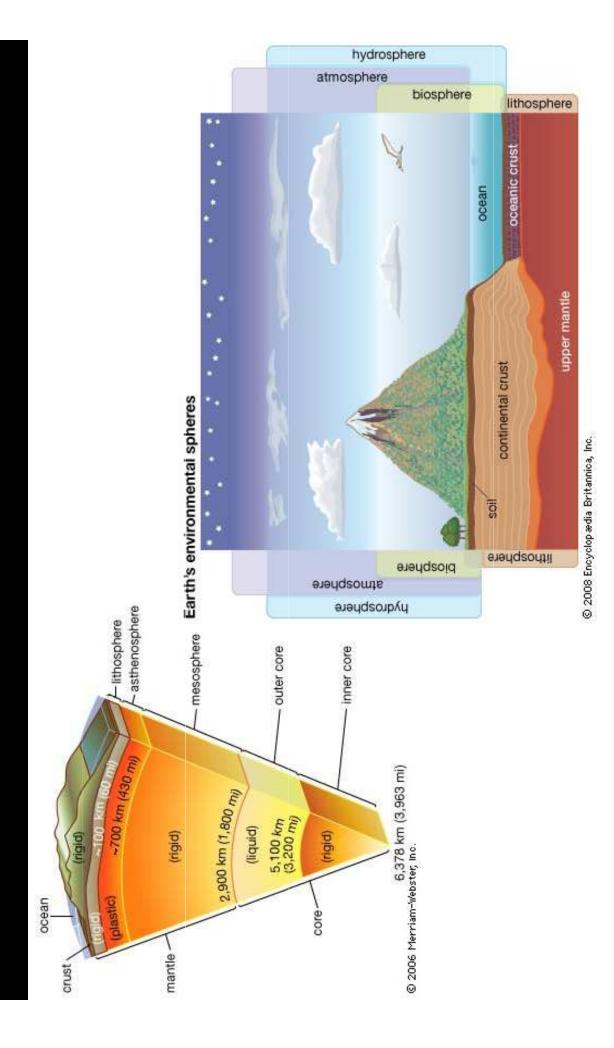


## **Rocks**

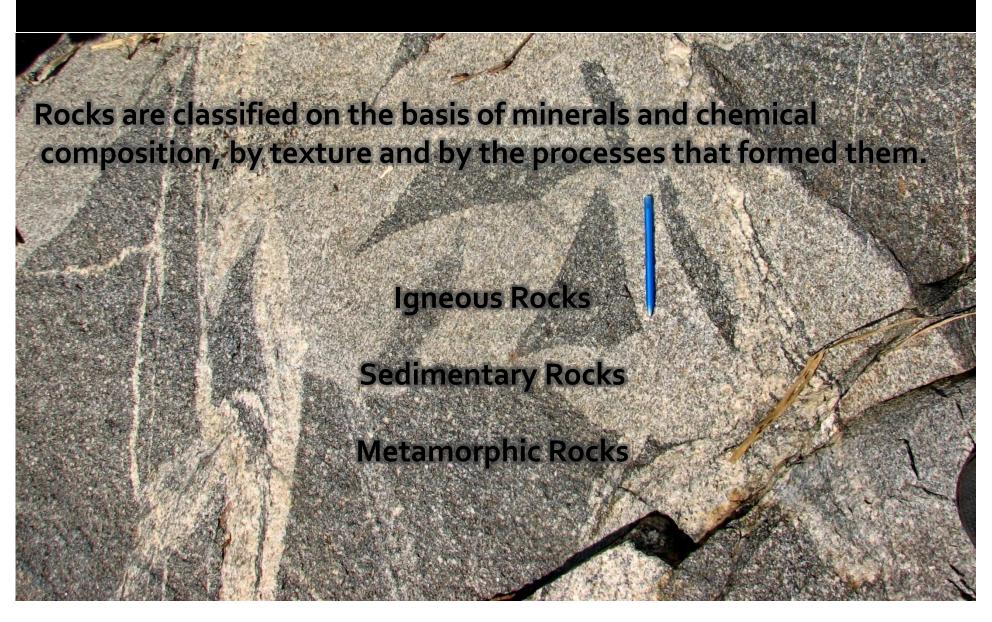
A Rock or Stone is a naturally occurring solid aggregate of minerals



# The Lithosphere



## **Types of Rocks**



## Igneous Rocks

Igneous Rocks are formed from the consolidation of "magma" or molten rock material.

They are formed either below the surface as intrusive(plutonic) rocks or on the surface as extrusive(volcanic) rocks.



Melting of rocks – Increase in Temperature, Decrease in Pressure, Change in Composition

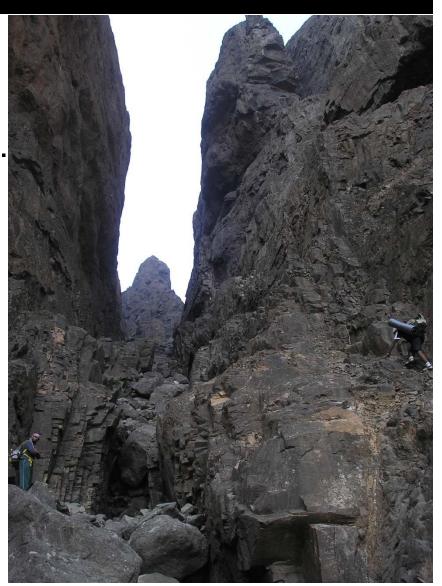
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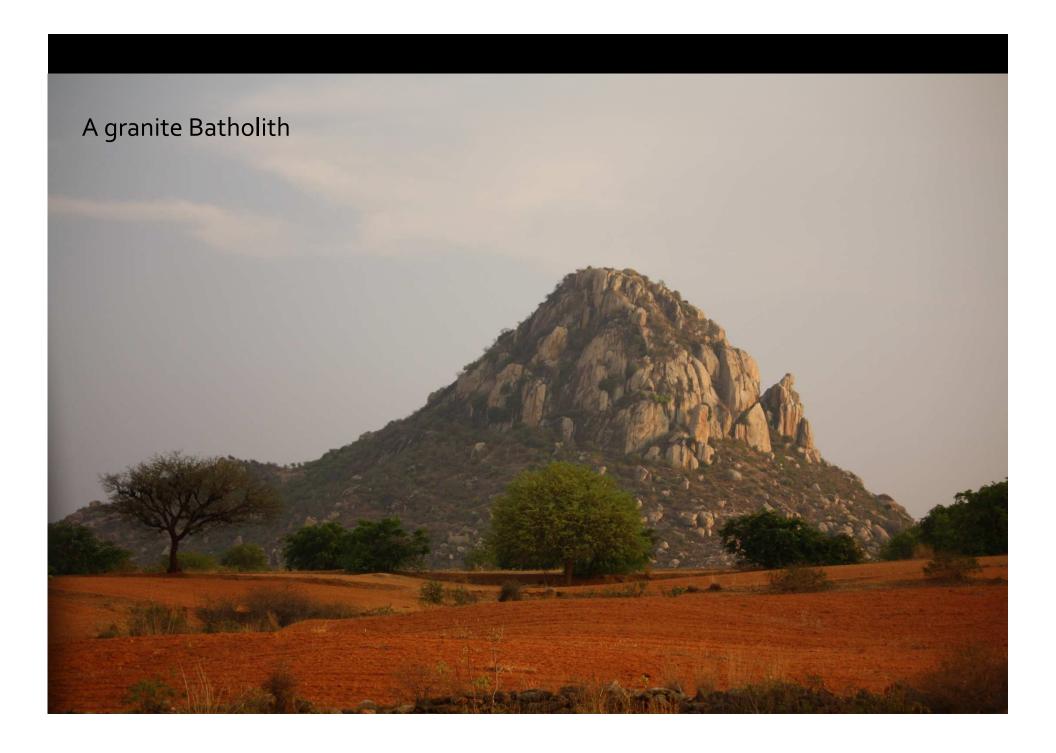
## **Intrusive Igneous Rocks**

Magma cools and solidifies within the crust. Slow cooling.

Larger grain/crystal size

Eg. Dykes, Granite Batholiths etc.

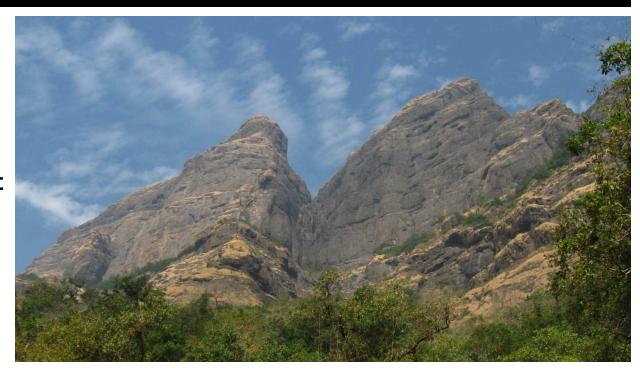




## Igneous Rocks......contd.

## **Extrusive Igneous Rocks**

Magma comes out on the surface and then solidifies. This cooling is generally fast so the grain size is very fine.



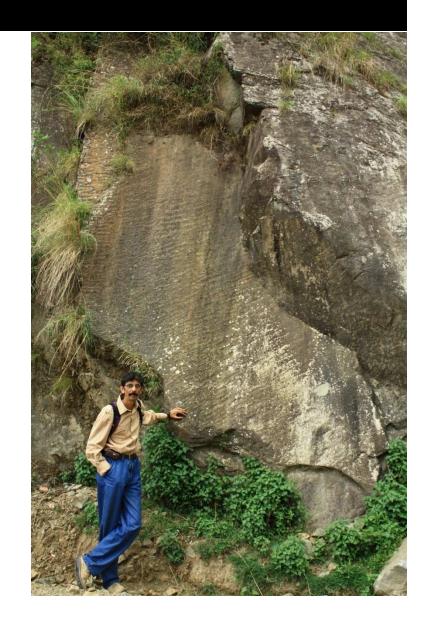
Eg. Basalts

## **Sedimentary Rocks**

**Sedimentary rocks** are formed by sedimentation of material at the Earth's surface and within bodies of water.

Sedementation – Deposition or Precipitation, compaction

(Weathering and Erosion)



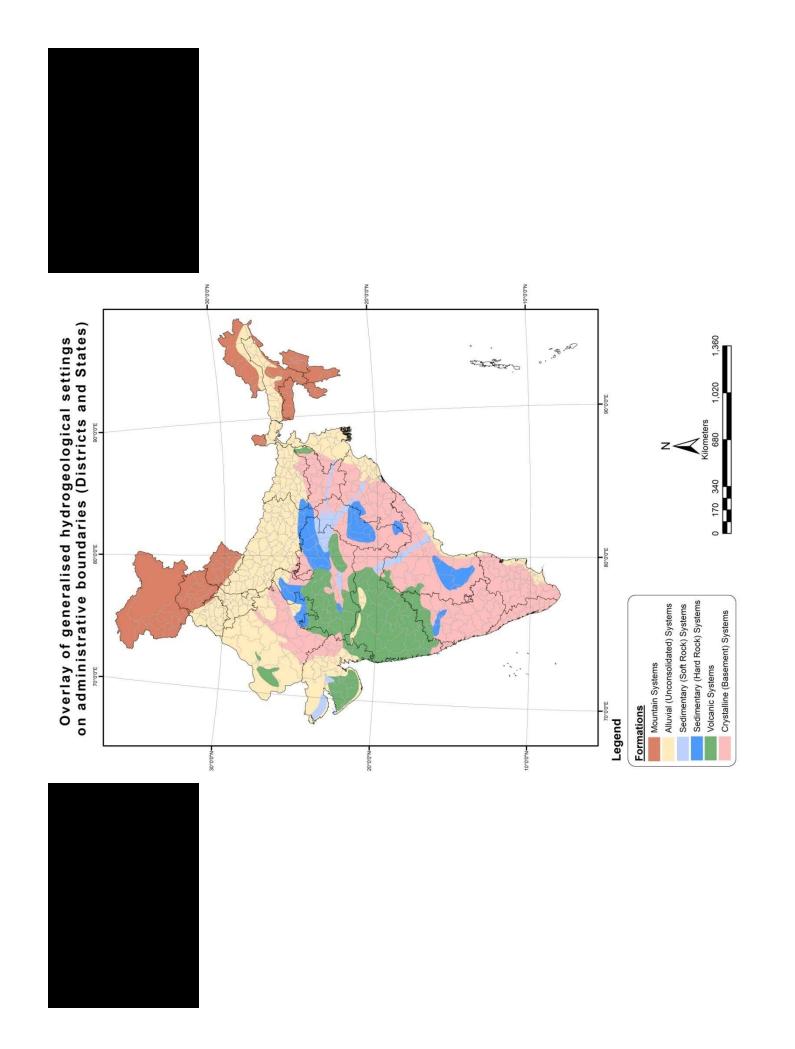
## **Metamorphic Rocks**

Metamorphic rocks are formed from pre-existing rocks after they undergo some changes in Temperature and Pressure.

<u>Parent rock-</u> Igneous/Sedimentary or Metamorphic



Heating through magma/intrusions, Fracturing, Burial







## Action of water on the ground

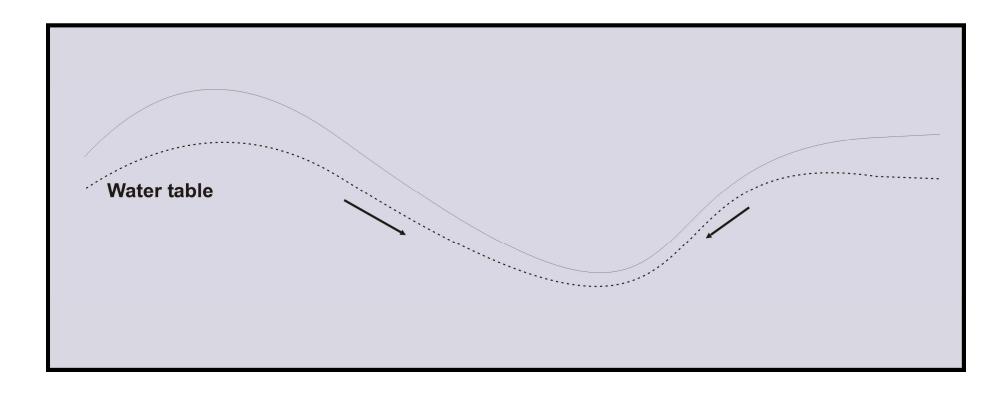
-Weathering

-Erosion





## The shape of the ground determines how water will flow above and below it



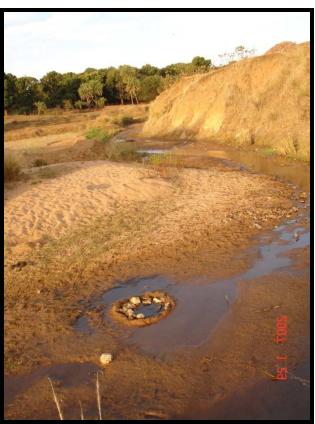
On the other hand, water is an important agent in shaping ground surface...

## Water accumulates in and flows through...

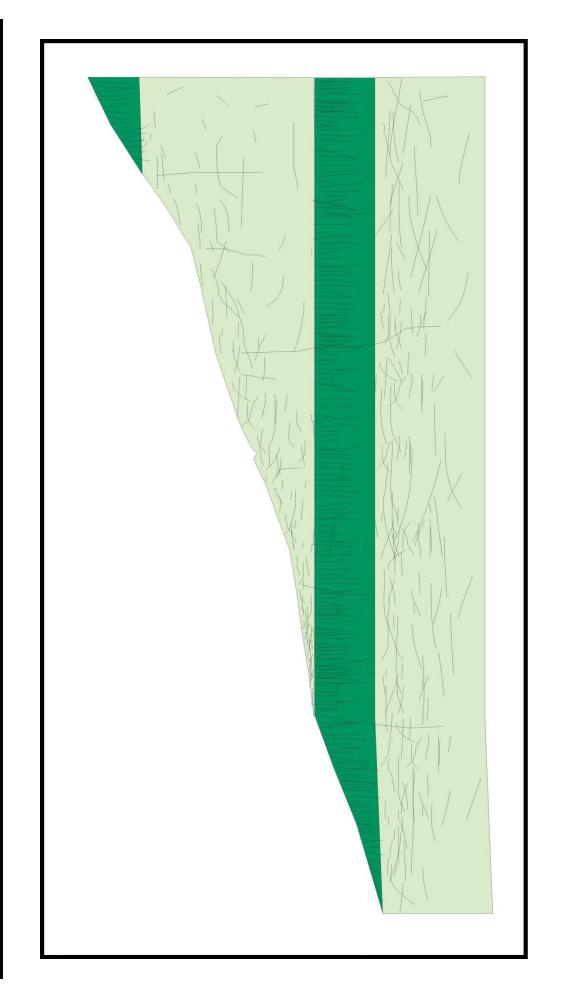
-Pores

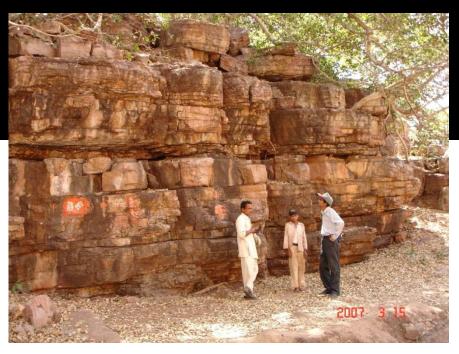
### -Fractures





## inclined – decide how groundwater flows through The nature of openings – vertical / horizontal / the rock





## Horizontal Openings

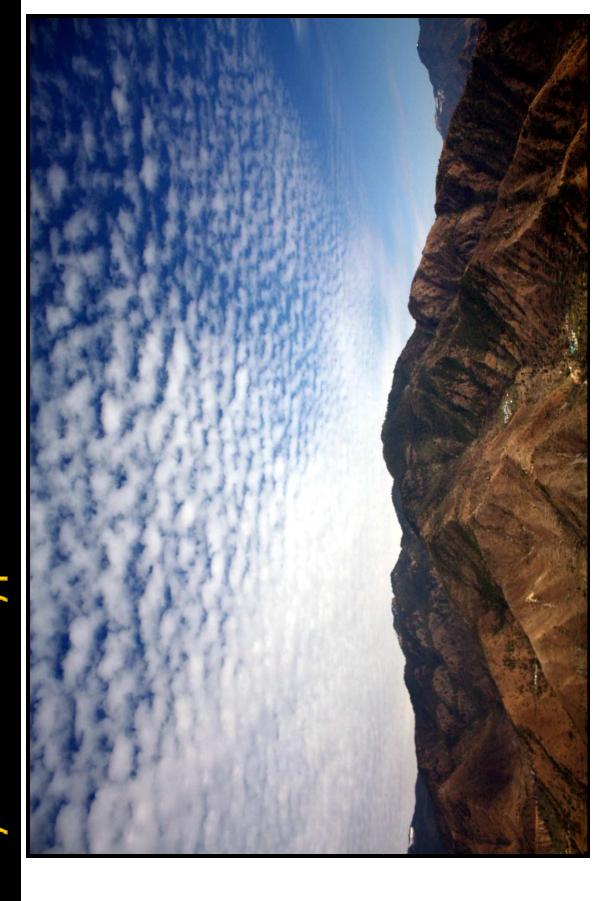




Inclined Openings

Vertical Openings

## The surface of the earth may be underlain by different types of rocks...



## **BASALT**



A dark coloured, fine-grained, 'extrusive' igneous rock composed of plagioclase feldspar, pyroxene, and magnetite, with or without olivine, and containing not more that 53 wt.% of SiO<sub>3</sub>

## **GRANITE**

A light coloured, coarse-grained, igneous rock consisting essentially of quartz (at least 20%), alkali feldspar, mica with or more commonly without amphibole and accessory apatite, magnetite and sphene.



## SANDSTONE





It is a **sedimentary** rock formed from lithified sand, comprising of grains between 63µm and 1000µm in size, bound together with a mud matrix and a mineral cement formed during burial diagenesis.

## LIMESTONE

type of rock composed mainly of calcite and/or dolomite, which is often of organic, chemical or detrital origin.



## **GNEISS**

General petrological term applied to coarse-grained, banded rocks that are formed during highgrade, regional metamorphism.





## **SCHISTS**



A regional metamorphic rock of pelitic compositions which displays a schistosity. They are coarse grained, having a grain size greater than 1mm.

## LATERITE

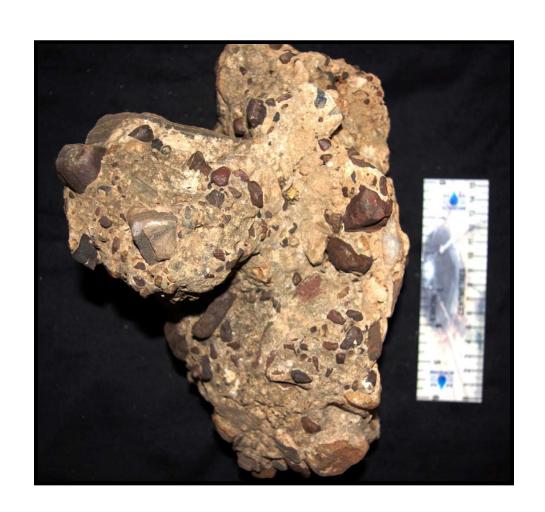




Weathering product of rock, composed mainly of hydrated iron, aluminium oxides, hydroxides, clay minerals, and also containing some silica.

## CONGLOMERATE

Coarse grained (rudaceous) rock with rounded clasts that are greater than 2mm in size.



## SHALE



Fine grained fissile, sedimentary rock, composed of clay sized and silt sized particles of unspecified mineral composition.

## **PEGMATITE**

Very coarse grained, igneous rock, usually of granitic composition, in which the individual crystals are at least 2.5 cm in length.



Thank you for your patience......

