

PETRO – CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND CRUSTAL EVOLUTION AROUND RAYADURGA AREA, EASTERN DHARWAR CRATON, ANANTHPURA DISTRICT, ANDHRA PRADESH, SOUTH INDIA.

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ABSTRACT

The Dharwar Craton in Southern India is divided into two parts- the Western Dharwar Craton (WDC), Eastern Dharwar Craton (EDC) separated by the Closepet Granite which was emplaced during the assembly of the EDC and WDC at -2.5 Ga and also the Dharwar craton is noticed in the centre of the craton where in adjacent all along the granites have melted during the emplacement of granite and granitoids along with the Chitradurga thrust fault zone is called Central Dharwar Craton (CDC). The formation and evolution of granitic provinces and batholiths are being increasingly studied, because of their importance for crustal evolution. Rayadurga area comes to Ananthapura District, having five kinds of litho units with economically viable minerals including Iron particularly in zones of gray granite, hornblende Gneiss, pegmatite and dyke rocks. Study area generally consist of several contemporaneous intrusions displaying common or similar geochemical and petrological features that are interpreted as cogenetic, but showing continuous batholith structures in Root zone to intrusion zone. The Closepet Granite has long been recognized as a unique magmatic body. However, most work was focused on its southern part of Closepet granite, near the amphibolite-granulite transition and less work has been performed on its central part which the area of Gap between Rayadurga and Kalyandurga area, this area is focused on not only granitic intrusion and composed of metamorphosed gneissic rocks, Amphibolites, Pegmatites and Pilitic zones, migmatites and Iron formations with lot of soil cover in Precambrian basement rocks of Darwar Craton. The study area belonging to the Andhra Pradesh composed of active and dynamic geological settings with economic mineral deposits. These deposits were noticed all along the lithological contacts of Basins and Schist Belts, adjacent to younger granites and granitoids of Dharwar Craton in parts of Andhra Pradesh. The final result of this paper highlights the petrochemical Characteristics, better discrimination and detailed Geological mapping and geochemical signatures interprets the crustal evolution including evolution of Granitic rocks in the study area.

Keywords: Petrography, Geochemistry, Rayadurga, Ananthapura district.

1. INTRODUCTION

The geological setting of the study area composed of basement peninsular gneissic with amphibolites of mafic rocks are well exposed with the trending of ZW & SE directions and most of these rocks are dipping towards eastern side with the angle of 70° to 75° . The study area consists of Archean granitic exposures here and there with the younger dykes and small patches of iron formations. Majority of the rocks of Closepet granites from the gap area at Northern extension are completely varies when composed to the southern portion of the Closepet granite (Ramakrishnan and Vaidyanadhan., 2008) between these two portions towards north and South of the Study area. This is tectonically disturbed zone with metamorphism, crustal deformation and crustal evolution with mixed Geological setting. Granite is derived from Latin word 'Granum' means 'grain' due to its granular nature. Granites are more abundant plutonic rocks in the earth crust, and these are purely for volumetric reasons cannot be ignored. Like other igneous rocks, they represent probe into the deep interior (Carter et al., 1980). They are closely connected with plate tectonics in particular, but not exclusively, with plate margins. Many types of granite

have been associated with mineralization. So there is an economic imperative to learn more about the process of concentration of the important metals into these granitoids (Moyen et al., 2001). The sources region in either case could be crustal, mantel or mixed James Hutton (1788) first suggested that the granite magma developed at great depths in the earth and was made to invade and break into the surrounding state. Darwar craton geologically consist a gneissic basement of tonalite–trondjemite–granodiorite (TTG) composition (Barker and Arth, 1976; Martin, 1994), called Peninsular Gneisses and dated between 3.3 and 2.7 Ga(Taylor et al., 1984; Meen et al., 1992). Volcano sedimentary greenstone belts unconformably overlying the gneisses, dated between 3.3 and 3.1 Ga for the older ones, and between 3.2 and 2.7 Ga for the younger ones (Peucat et al., 1995). Late Archaean, K-rich granitoids, consisting of N–S elongate bodies, among which the Closepet granite is the most spectacular. Several of these granites have been dated in the range 2.5–2.6 Ga (Crawford, 1969; Krogstad et al., 1991; Nutman et al., 1996; Jayananda et al., 2000). The study area comes to Ananthpura district is underlined by various geological formations such as granites, gneisses, quartz veins and dolerite from Archaean to Recent. The Archaean rocks includes igneous formations which have been subsequently metamorphosed and intruded by various igneous rocks. Consist of older metamorphic rocks, peninsular gneissic complex, correlatable with Dharwar super group in Karnataka region and younger intrusive rocks (Jayananda et al., 1995). The older metamorphic rocks comprise hornblendite, pyroxinite and amphibolite and occur as enclaves of varying shapes and sizes within the peninsular gneissic complex. Peninsular gneissic complex comprises gneisses, grey granite, and grey granitic gneiss. The study area gneisses show banding due to alteration of light colored quartzofeldspathic minerals and dark colored biotite or hornblende minerals. Within the gneisses are included the biotite gneiss and hornblende gneiss (Basavarajappa and Srikantappa., 2014). The migmatites and the banded biotite-gneiss and biotite-hornblende-gneiss are the oldest and by far the most widespread country rocks. These form low tors or high elongated hill ranges and ridges and also occupy the low lying plains (anil Kumar et al., 1996) (Basavarajappa et al., 2018) (Maruthi et al 2018) (Maruthi and Basavarajappa., 2018). These rocks are highly folded, sheared and faulted and have schistosity trending between NNE-SSW, with moderate to steep dips in either easterly or westerly directions (Siddaraju et al., 2019). The geological formations in the study area consist of older group of metamorphic rocks belonging to the Archaean, younger granites and basic dykes. Archaean rocks have suffered considerable degree of tectonic disturbances resulting the metamorphosed and recrystallized litho-units such as hornblende gneisses, younger granites, banded iron quartzites, pegmatites and dolerite dykes (Chadwick et al., 2000). The younger granites occupy central part of the study area. Field investigations and Petrography of the host rocks were studied in detail with Geochemical, Physical and Optical properties and XRF analysis data characteristics features are studied in the laboratory (Maruthi et al., 2019) (Basavarajappa and Maruthi, 2018).

2. STUDY AREA

Rayadurga is a town in Anantapur district of the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. It is the headquarters of Rayadurgam mandal in Kalyandurg revenue division. The town is renowned for its Handloom industry. The study area lies in between 14⁰35' to 14⁰44' N latitude and 76⁰46' to 76⁰59' E longitude with an aerial extent of 924 Km². The general elevation ranges from 480 to 785 mts above MSL. The region of Rayadurga area is an arid zone with poor stony red soils, climate ranges from 16.7⁰ to 37⁰ C. Study area covering mainly red & block soils associated with metamorphosed granitic gneiss composition with ultramafics, pegmatite and grey granite (CGWB, 2013).

Table.1. Samples collected and it's GPS Locations

SI No	Samples Name	Villages name	Latitude	Longitude
SR-01	Granite	Pulkunta	14 ⁰ 41'33.4"	76 ⁰ 50'14.2"
SR-02	Gneiss	K.P. Doddi	14 ⁰ 36'56.72"	76 ⁰ 46'9.534"
SR-03	Dolerite dyke	Bommakapalli	14 ⁰ 41'52.03"	76 ⁰ 56'30.574"
SR-04	Iron (BFQ)	Nethrapalli	14 ⁰ 39'21.58"	76 ⁰ 55'37.01"
SR-05	Pegmatite	Kannepalli	14 ⁰ 37'11.88"	76 ⁰ 59'22.47"

Note: Samples at Rayadurga area

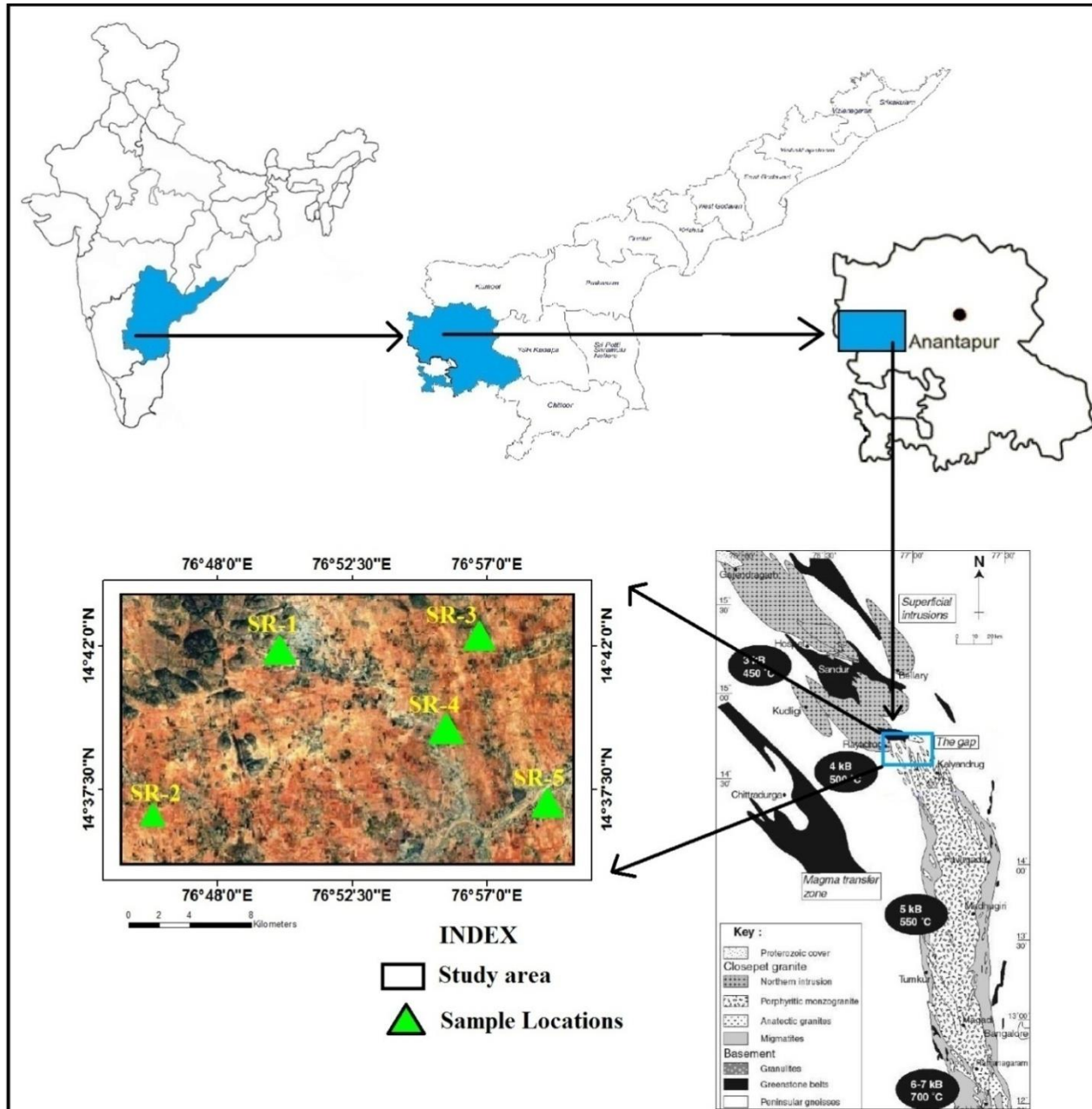


Fig.1. Google Earth image showing the location of the study area.

3. METHODOLOGY.

Field samples were collected and carried to the laboratory for Petrographic study using Petrological, Mineralogical research Microscope Mysore University Earth Science Department. while geochemical data was received through XRF Minerals, Materials Science & Technology Division NIIST Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. Litho-units such as dolerite dykes, hornblende gneiss, grey granite, BIF, pegmatite veins were encountered during extensive field survey. These litho-units were digitized using Geological map of Karnataka (1981) with 1:250,000 scale using ArcGIS v10.3 and verified during field visits. Survey of India (GSI) topo map and Geological quadrangle map (57b) of 1:2.50.000 scale is used during the field work to study Iron ore deposits and other litho-units. Garmin-12 GPS is used to record the exact locations of each sample with an error of 9 mts during field visits (Maruthi and Basavarajappa., 2019) (Basavarajappa et al., 2018).

4. GEOLOGY AND FIELD SETTING:

Rayadurga comes to Ananthpur district, underlain by various geological formations ranging in Archaean age to Recent. Major part of the district is underlain by the granites, gneisses and schists of Archaean and Dharwar Supergroup (Ramakrishnan and Vaidyanadhan., 2008). Northeastern part of the district is occupied by the quartzites, limestones, shales of Cuddapah and Kurnool Group of rocks. Alluvium is restricted to Pennar, Vedavati and Papagni rivers (Swaminath and Ramakrishnan, 1981). The pegmatite and quartz veins intruding the schists, granites and gneisses are seen throughout the Anantapur district (Radhakrishna, 1983). The geological formations in the Anantapur district can be broadly divided into distinct and well-marked groups: an older group of metamorphic rocks belonging to the Archaean and younger groups of sedimentary rocks belonging to the Proterozoic age (Gopalakrishna et al., 1986). The remaining parts Rayadurga area is occupied by Archaean rocks which consists of schists, gneisses, migmatites, younger granites, pegmatites, quartz veins and basic dykes (Jayananda et al., 1995). The Archaean rocks have suffered considerable degree of tectonic disturbances as a result of which the rocks have been metamorphosed and recrystallised. The western part of the study area is occupied by younger granites (intrusives into Archaean), the central part by Archaean and the eastern part by the Proterozoics, i.e. the rocks belonging to the Cuddapah Super Group and Kurnool Group (Moyen et al., 2003). Pegmatite occur as stingers lenses, pods and veins, either parallel to the foliation of the enclosing rocks or as dykes across the foliation of the older rocks and sometimes laterally grades into the older rocks of fills up the joints in the older rocks with a sharp contact (Jean Francois Moyen et al., 2003). Biotite is generally associated with the whitish pegmatites while it diminishes or even disappears in the pinkish pegmatite. The pinkish pegmatite encloses patches of white pegmatite as Islands (Naqvi and Rogers, 1983; Radhakrishna and Naqvi, 1986).

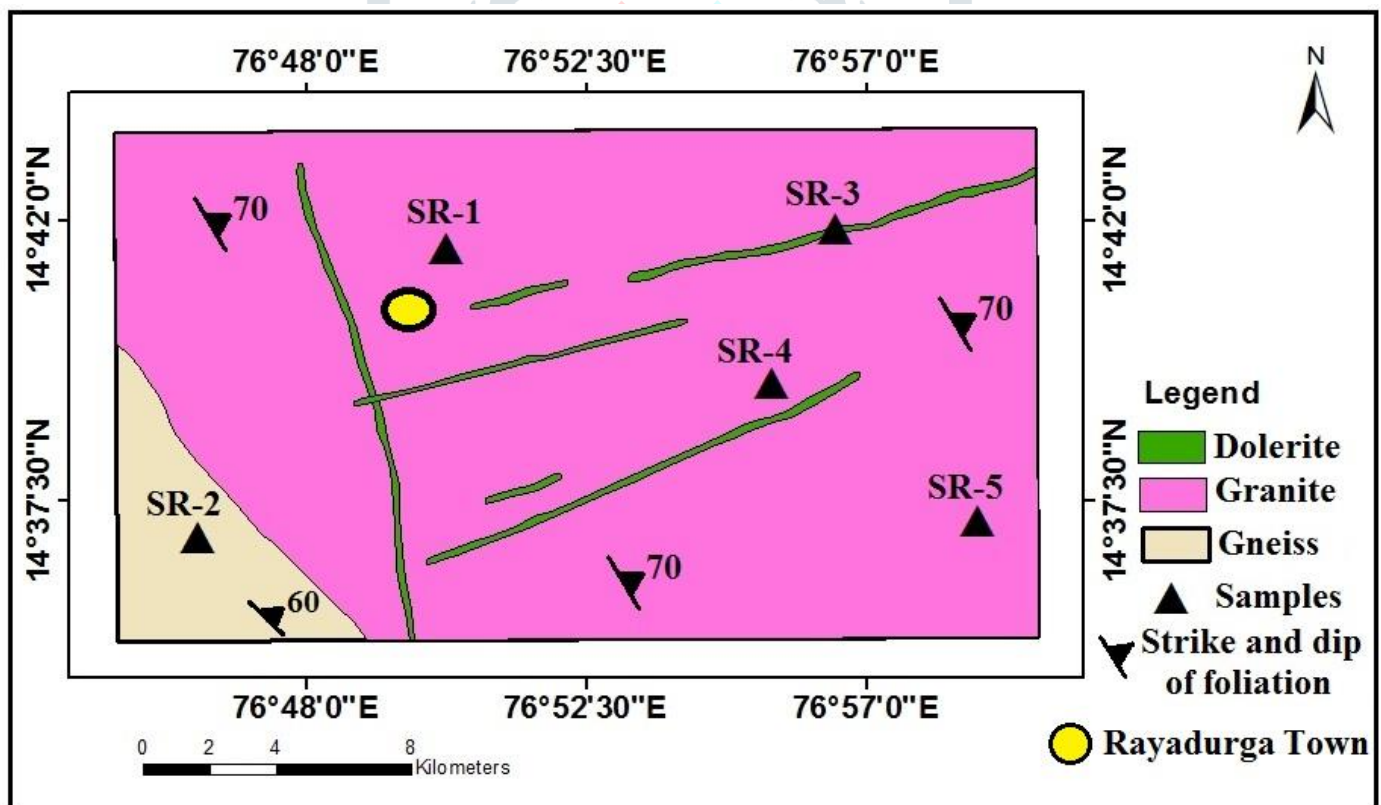


Fig.2. Geological map of the study area (after GSI 1978)

5. PETROGRAPHY

5.1. Gneiss: This type of gneiss is found in some of the oldest parts of the Earth's crust. It was formed from an intrusive igneous rock called tonalite, a variety of granite and an important rock type in the continental crust. Quartz shows Colourless, transparent and unaltered. Form as grains with irregular outlines, without any

shape its showing anhedral and euhedral, cleavage absent. Relief low positive, so that the outlines of the grains are not well marked with smooth surface. Birefringence weak, greys or yellows of I order interference colours basal sections are isotropic positive elongation in euhedral grains. Uniaxial positive. Extinction parallel or symmetrical with respect to crystal edges not normally determinable because of the anhedral form sometimes wavy extinction due to strain. Biotite is Silicate of magnesium, iron, aluminium and potassium with hydroxyl fluorine and monoclinic system. Colour Brown, yellowish brown, reddish brown, dark brown, green or dark green. Cleavage perfect in one direction basal sections do not show any cleavage. Relief moderate positive. Birefringence strong, interference colours range up to II order red but are masked by the strong body colour of the mineral the direction of the cleavage traces is always the slower ray biaxial negative. Extinction shows parallel sometimes wavy extinction in bent tabular forms due to strain. (Fig.3)

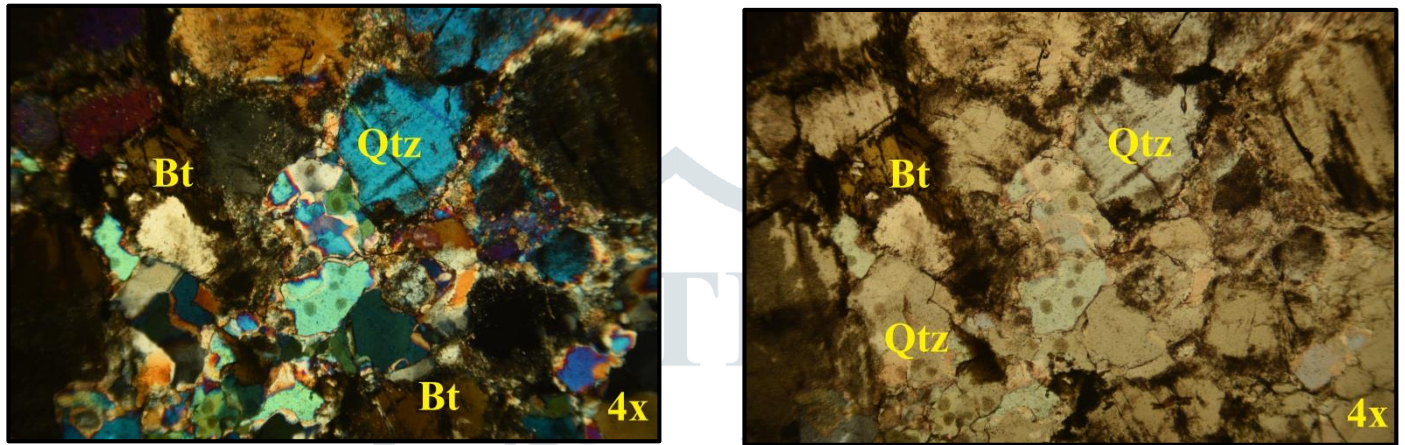
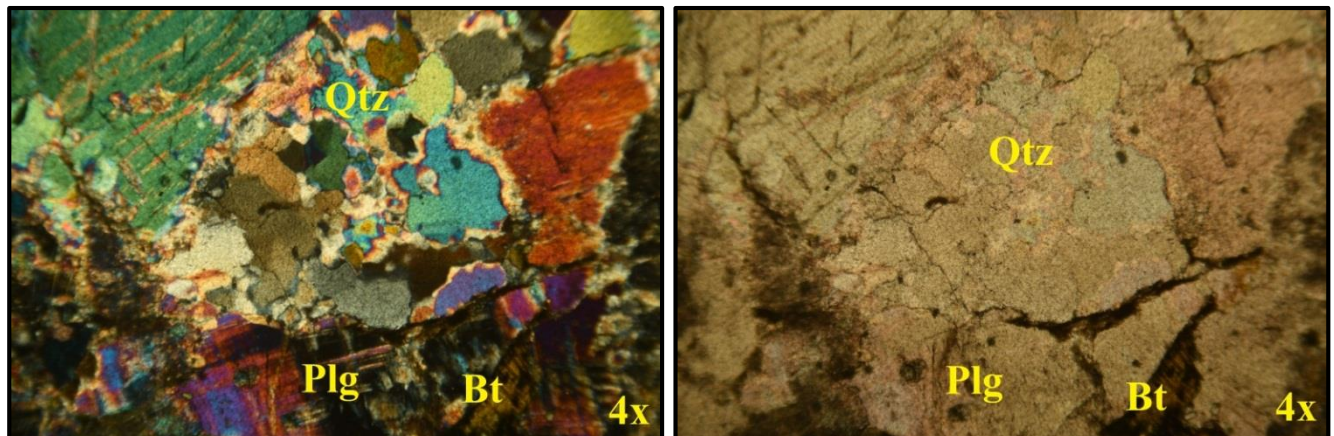


Fig.3. Photomicrographs of Gneiss under PPI and XPL

5.2. Granite: Granite composed of Quartz + Felspar + Biotite mica. Quartz shows Colourless, transparent and unaltered. Cleavage absent, Relief low positive, so that the outlines of the grains are not well marked with smooth surface. Birefringence weak, uniaxial positive. Felspar shows central part of micro section, colourless, but often cloudy due to alteration. Cleavage is visible as thin lines in two directions nearly 90° other sections will



show no cleavage or one direction only and Relief low negative. Birefringence weak, simple twinning, **Fig.4.**

Photomicrographs of Granite under PPL and XPL

mineral distinguished from quartz by its cloudy appearance due to alteration, shows low negative relief, presence of cleavage and by simple twinning. Biotite is Silicate of magnesium, iron, aluminium and potassium with hydroxyl fluorine. Colour Brown, yellowish brown, reddish brown, dark brown, green or dark green. Cleavage perfect in one direction basal sections do not show any cleavage. Birefringence strong, parallel extinction. (Fig. 4)

5.3. BFQ: Banded Ferruginous Quartzite represents one of the most distinctive rock types that occur widespread in space and time in the earlier part of the Precambrian in most of the shield areas of the world. Gap area of NE from Nethrapalli Iron ore minerals associated with Precambrian banded iron formations are mainly found in three oxy-hydroxy phases as hematite, magnetite and goethite. Hematite is colored black to steel or silver-gray, brown to reddish brown, or red. Varieties include kidney ore, magnetite, iron rose and specularite. While the forms of hematite vary, they all have a rust-red streak. Hematite is harder than pure iron, but much more brittle. Magnetite is a hematite- and magnetite-related oxide mineral. Banded iron formations (BIFs) are chemically precipitated sedimentary metamorphosed rock probably Nethrapalli area iron or consist of environmental on magmatic hydrothermal, metamorphic and sediment origin. They are composed of alternating thin red, yellow, or cream colored layers of magnetite and hematite black to dark gray iron oxides and iron carbonate siderite layers. This photomicrographs Hematite Optical properties shows color white to greyish white with bluish tint, crystal habit tabular to thick crystals; micaceous or platy, commonly in rosettes. cleavage none, twinning penetration and lamellar, optic Sign uniaxial, relief very high. Magnetite is isotropic mineral showing grey with brownish tint color, Surface relief is very high, birefringence none. Hematite overgrowths on and inclusions in magnetite ilmenite inclusions rutile other minor elements showing Manganese and Titanium (fig.5).

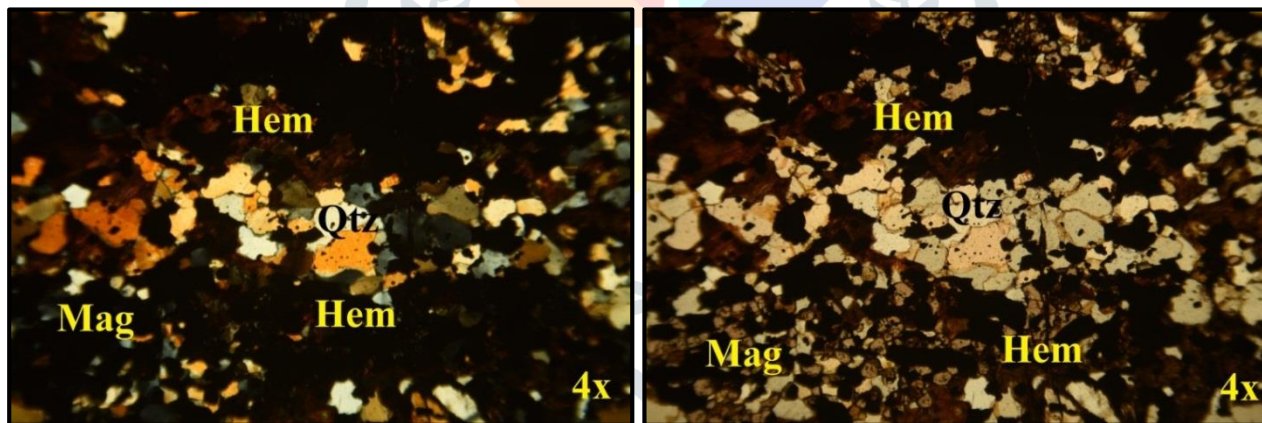


Fig.5. Photomicrographs of Banded Iron formation under PPL and XPL.

5.4. Pegmatite: A pegmatite is a holocrystalline intrusive igneous rock composed of interlocking phaneritic crystals. The pegmatites are the result of crystallization of molten magma waste. These alloys are characterized by being rich in volatiles and incompatible elements. Although the pegmatites show a compositional range, the most common compositional characteristics of granites and consist mainly of quartz, feldspar, potassium, plagioclase and white mica. Pegmatite, Polarised light micrograph of a thin section through pegmatite rock. Pegmatite is an igneous rock associated with granite and syenite deposits. It mainly consists of quartz, alkaline feldspar and mica. To the unaided eye the rock has a light colour. Pegmatite is extracted due to the economic importance of the minerals it contains, such as orthoclase and beryl. In this section are observed feldspar crystals large, and as some of them have twinned lattice. These minerals show a secondary alteration to sericite. Quartz

crystals are smaller and appear in colors of gray and white interference of the first order. Highlights include fresh of these in contrast to the feldspars.(Fig.6)

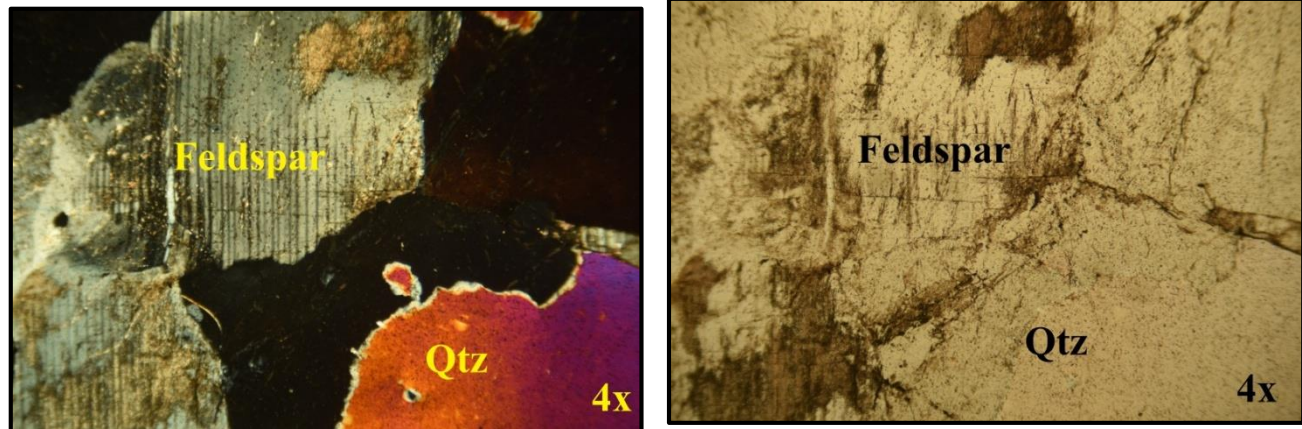


Fig.6. Photomicrographs of Pegmatite under PPL and XPL.

5.5. Dolerite: Dolerite is the name given to basic igneous rocks found in small intrusions that are intermediate in grain size between basalt and gabbro. Small intrusions (dykes and sills) cool more quickly than large intrusions, but more slowly than lavas erupted at the surface and it's a mafic, holocrystalline, subvolcanic rock. A medium grained mafic intrusive rock whose main components are calcic plagioclase and clinopyroxene and which is characterized by ophitic to subophitic texture. The sampled dolerite is principally composed of medium to coarse grained calcic plagioclase and clinopyroxene. The main accessories include biotite, amphibole, and uraltite. Rarer accessories include olivine, orthopyroxene, and anhedral quartz. Euhedral to subhedral opaque oxide minerals were noticed. The texture ranges from poikilitic, ophitic, and rarely porphyritic or glomeroporphyritic. The plagioclase laths are randomly oriented and are sometimes zoned. The clinopyroxene of some samples contain exsolved augite in inverted pigeonite. Thin section of a dolerite from Rayadurga dyke, showing subophitic texture with labradoritic plagioclase paths partially surrounded by varieties of clinopyroxene (augite and pigeonite). The clinopyroxene is generally augite, but also some pigeonite can be observed. Augite silicate of calcium, magnesium, iron and aluminium, color shows colorless to pale greenish or yellowish brown. Cleavage distinct one set of cleavages in the four sided forms sometimes two sets of cleavages at right angles to each other in eight sided forms. Relief high positive. birefringence moderate and inclined extinction.

Fig.7. Photomicrographs of Dolerite under PPL and XPL.

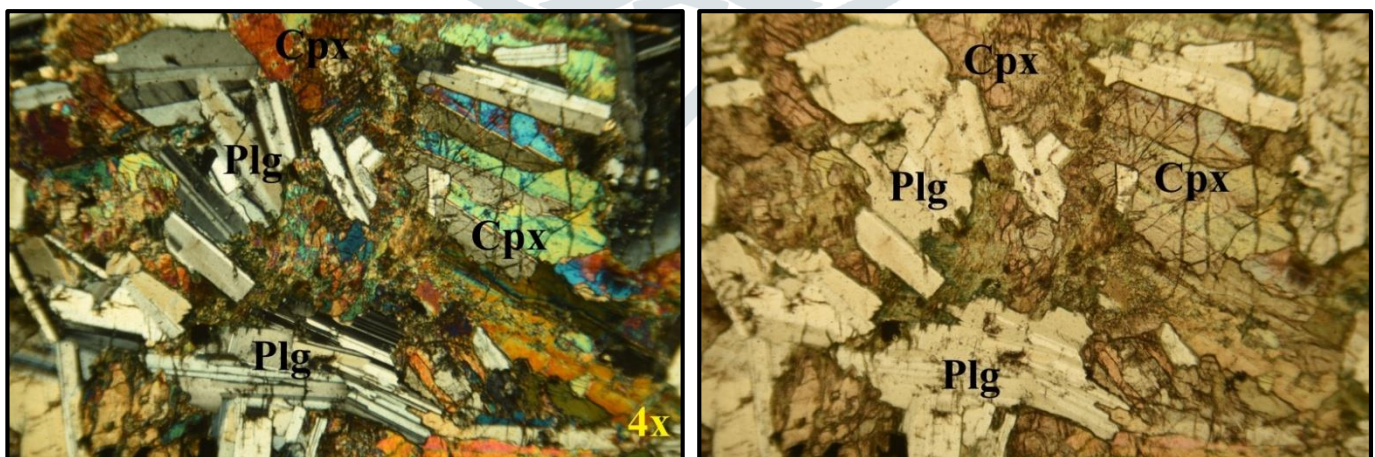


Table.2. Major Elements of the study area.

Major Elements	Granite				
	SR-1A	SR-1B	SR-1C	SR-1D	SR-1E
Samples					
SiO₂	73.963	72.816	73.065	70.259	70.293
TiO₂	0.285	0.346	0.119	0.276	0.22
Al₂O₃	14.168	13.458	14.871	12.114	12.549
Fe₂O₃	2.204	2.396	2.385	3.399	3.185
MnO	0.055	0.073	0.014	0.026	0.033
MgO	0.216	0.959	0.199	0.259	0.095
CaO	1.641	2.253	1.823	1.381	1.399
Na₂O	3.462	3.866	3.543	3.823	3.425
K₂O	3.031	2.775	2.901	7.479	7.852
P₂O₅	0.762	0.801	0.789	0.773	0.76
Total	99.787	99.743	99.709	99.789	99.811

Major Elements	Gneiss				
	SR-2A	SR-2B	SR-2C	SR-2D	SR-2E
Samples					
SiO₂	71.961	71.23	70.76	65.999	69.638
TiO₂	0.252	0.452	0.755	0.888	0.486
Al₂O₃	13.025	12.459	12.84	12.601	11.811
Fe₂O₃	2.454	3.4	3.199	5.477	4.231
MnO	0.022	0.062	0.095	0.089	0.056
MgO	0.336	0.816	1.024	1.379	0.825
CaO	3.199	3.604	4.116	3.479	3.798
Na₂O	4.183	4.331	3.237	3.429	4.262
K₂O	3.595	2.581	2.673	5.045	3.545
P₂O₅	0.806	0.894	1.083	1.27	0.993
Total	99.833	99.829	99.782	99.656	99.645

Major Elements	Dolerite				
	SR-3A	SR-3B	SR-3C	SR-3D	SR-3E
Samples					
SiO₂	46.007	43.817	45.694	45.526	44.916
TiO₂	0.800	1.221	1.05	0.591	0.648
Al₂O₃	17.066	14.061	14.353	16.669	16.176
Fe₂O₃	15.179	19.78	18.052	14.164	16.096
MnO	0.183	0.223	0.22	0.246	0.181
MgO	4.983	5.476	4.85	6.252	6.431
CaO	12.009	11.263	11.422	12.458	11.462
Na₂O	2.403	2.461	2.687	2.742	2.426
K₂O	0.305	0.546	0.567	0.399	0.48
P₂O₅	0.726	0.739	0.723	0.563	0.751
Total	99.661	99.587	99.618	99.61	99.567

Major Elements	Iron		Pegmatite	
	SR-4A	SR-4B	SR-5A	SR-5B
SiO ₂	51.689	40.563	68.252	60.049
TiO ₂	0.271	0.298	0.649	0.517
Al ₂ O ₃	2.721	2.456	12.276	11.781
Fe ₂ O ₃	34.562	43.045	5.467	15.136
MnO	3.493	7.053	0.084	0.031
MgO	2.75	1.548	1.526	0.162
CaO	3.368	3.897	1.523	1.261
Na ₂ O	0.17	0.15	3.941	2.628
K ₂ O	0.11	0.016	5.235	7.248
P ₂ O ₅	0.712	0.617	0.788	0.665
Total	99.846	99.643	99.741	99.478

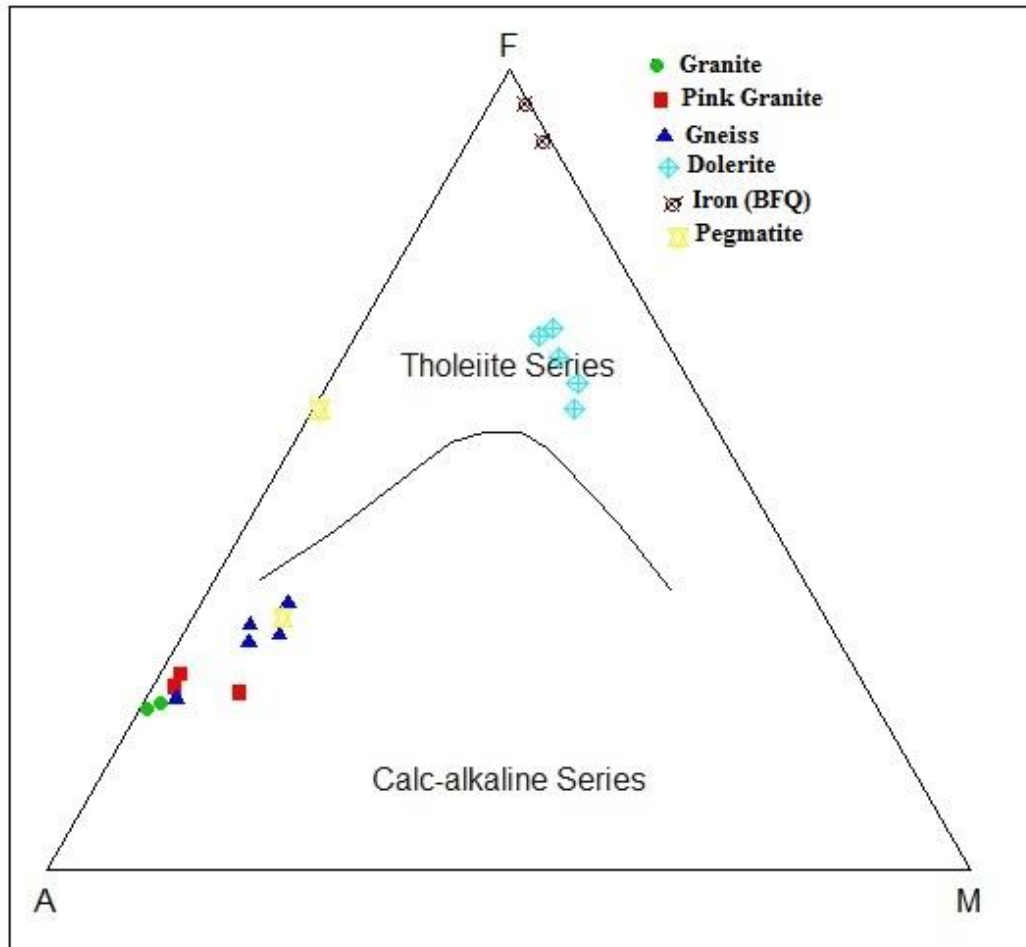


Fig.8. AFM Plot (Irvine and Baragar, 1971)

The AFM construction, extensively used by the petrologists is regarded as a valuable and authoritative mechanism to study variation in differentiated series of rocks, the AFM diagram is still considered as an effective parameter for a critical evaluation of the suite of rocks formed through magmatic differentiation. The geochemical data obtained and plotted in the AFM classification most of the dolerite, pegmatite and iron samples indicating tholeiite series. The alkali-Iron-Magnesium triangular discrimination diagram classify the granites in to calc-alkaline field of Irvine and Baragar (1971). AFM diagram (Fig.8) form a smooth and distinct trend that is characteristic of any sub alkaline series, where in the magma does not show preferential enrichment in either MgO or FeO and with increasing differentiation, there is a drop in the concentration of MgO and FeO and the trend line moves towards alkali rich corner. The differentiation trend of the granites of Rayadurga together with the granites of all the above specified areas broadly resembles the trend shown by the highly alkaline lavas of study area (Irvine and Baragar., 1971).

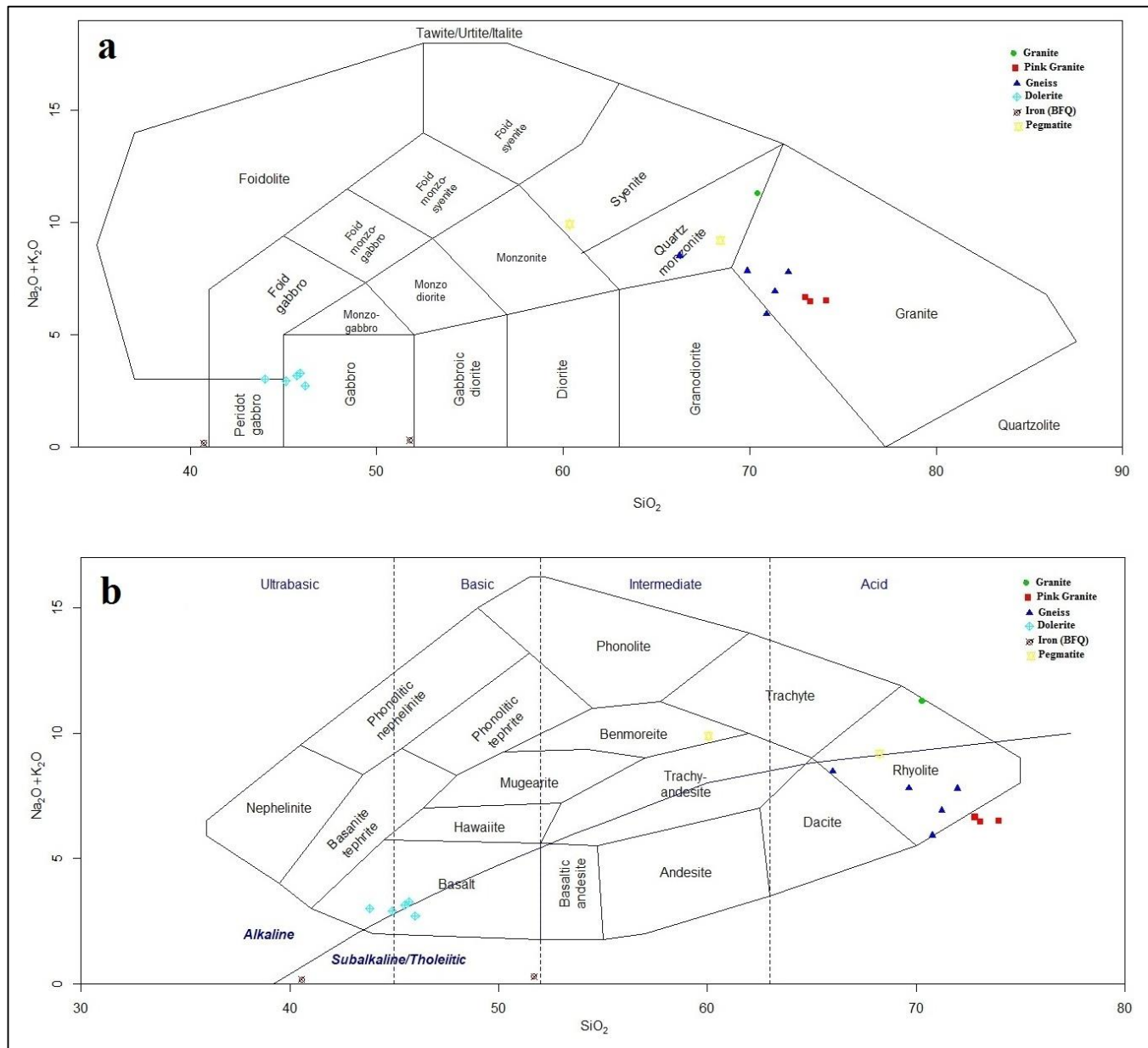


Fig.9. (a-b): Plots of Gneiss, dolerite, iron, pegmatite and granitic rocks of Rayadurga in the (SiO_2 Vs $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$) diagrams (a) Middlemost (1985) and (b).Cox et al, 1979

The granite, gneiss, dolerite, iron and pegmatite of Rayadurga display exhibit geochemical characteristic along with the normative signatures that are in tune with their modal compositions (Table.2). This statement well amply demonstrated in the silica vsalkalies diagram of Cox et al., (1979) and Middlemost (Fig.9 a-b), where in majority of the analysed samples of Rayadurga get plotted in the granite or granodiorite field, that are very typical of rocks

derived from acidic melts that carry subalkaline signatures. The Gneiss and granites of Rayadurgain fact have abundant modal quartz and expectedly develop normative quartz feature shared by the granites and quartz syenites from classic and well documents igneous complexes pertaining to the other cratons of the India. (Fig.9 a-b)

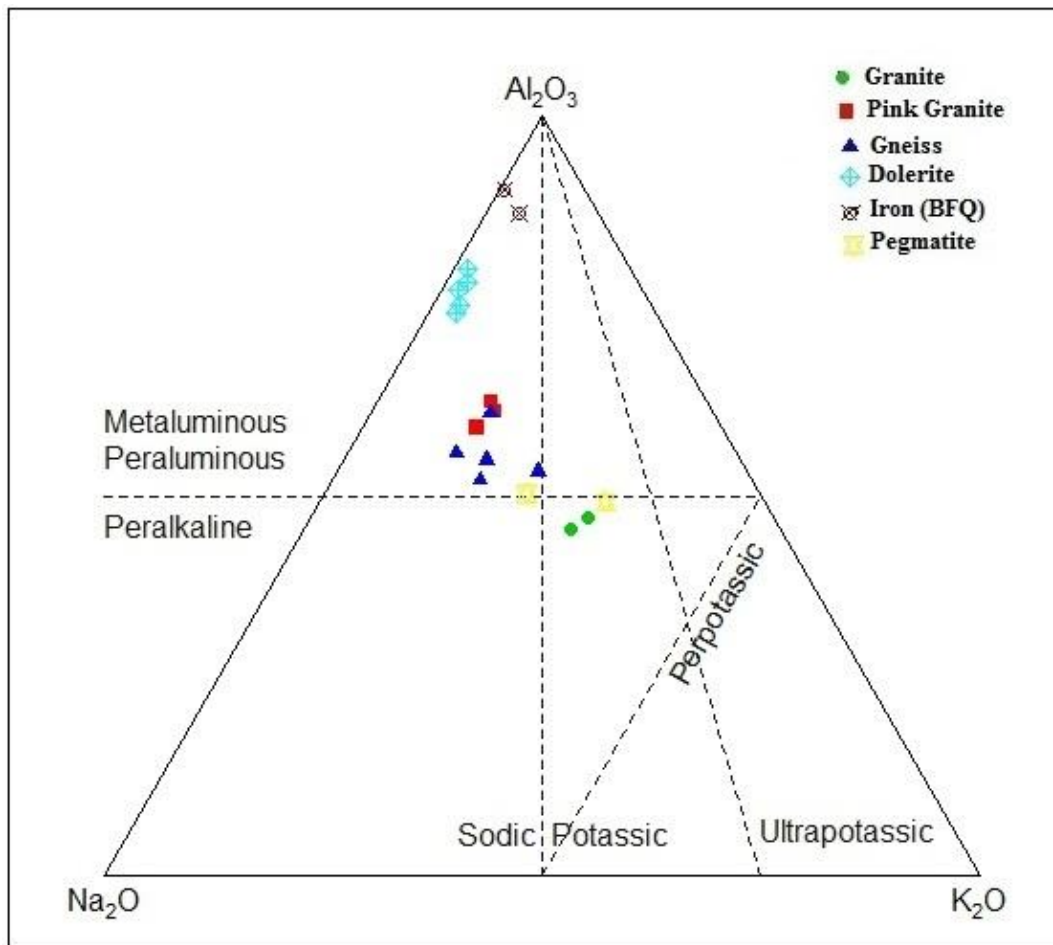


Fig.10. Plots of Gneiss, dolerite, iron, pegmatite and granitic rocks of Rayadurga in the (Na₂O-Al₂O₃-K₂O) ternary diagram

One popular method to distinguish and characterize the Gneiss, dolerite, iron, pegmatite and granites in terms of the alumina is to plot the compositions of granites in a conventional Na₂O-Al₂O₃-K₂O ternary diagram (Fig.10) and all the samples of Rayadurga when projected in this diagram reveal their metaluminous nature. Even, the conventional B- A plot introduced by Villaaseca et al., (1996)(Fig.11) is also a similar technique to characterize granites , which involved the variables called B and A , where in B corresponds to Fe+ Mg+ Ti and A correspond Al- (K+ Na+2Ca). This approach not only portrays the variation of alumina saturation but also deals with the changes in Fe + Mg+ TI on one hand and Al- (K+ Na+2Ca) on the other hand and the role of alumina that accompanies differentiation of granitic melts. (Fig.11)

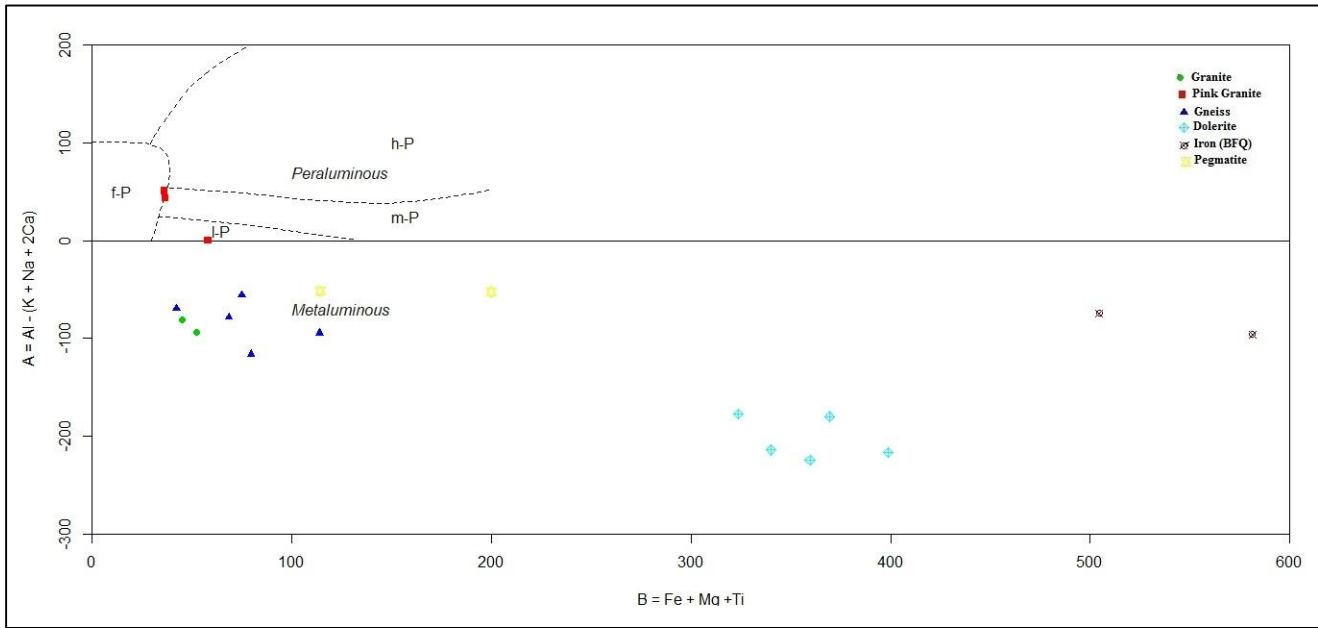


Fig.11. Plots of Rayadurga Gneiss, dolerite, iron, pegmatite and granitic rocks in the B- (Al- (K+ Na+2Ca)) - A (Fe+ Mg+ Ti) diagram (Villasce et al., 1996)

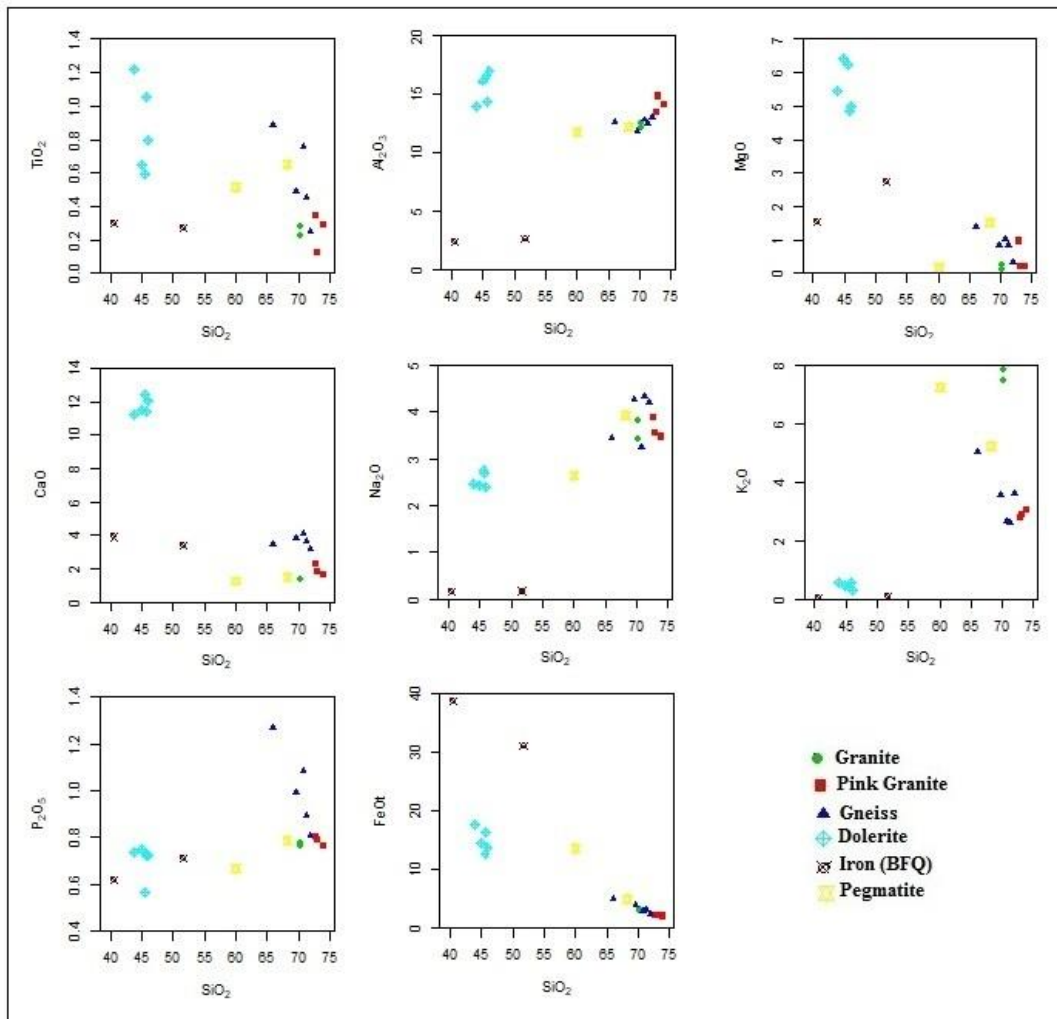


Fig.12. Harkers Variation diagrams of SiO₂Vs Major Oxides of litho - units of around Rayadurga

The variation in the different major oxides within Gneiss, dolerite, iron, pegmatite and granites of Rayadurga is presented in this section. All the oxides of major elements of litho - units of around Rayadurga together with the average values are plotted against SiO₂ Harker's variation diagram (Harker, 1960). The average Al₂O₃ when plotted against the SiO₂, depicts an overall rising trend (Fig.12) is seen with increasing differentiation. However one sample though has a low SiO₂ and low Al₂O₃ deviates from the rest and falls away from the main trend. Similar trends are seen even when Na₂O and K₂O are plotted against SiO₂. However, when the FeO, Fe₂O₃, FeO_t, MnO, MgO and CaO contents of the granites from the Rayadurga are plotted against SiO₂, steeply falling curves (Fig.12) with increasing differentiation similarly TiO₂ and P₂O₅ (Fig.12) exhibit similar negative correlation in the Harker's diagram. The dominance of FeO over Fe₂O₃ and K₂O over Na₂O without exception characterizes the litho-units of Rayadurga.

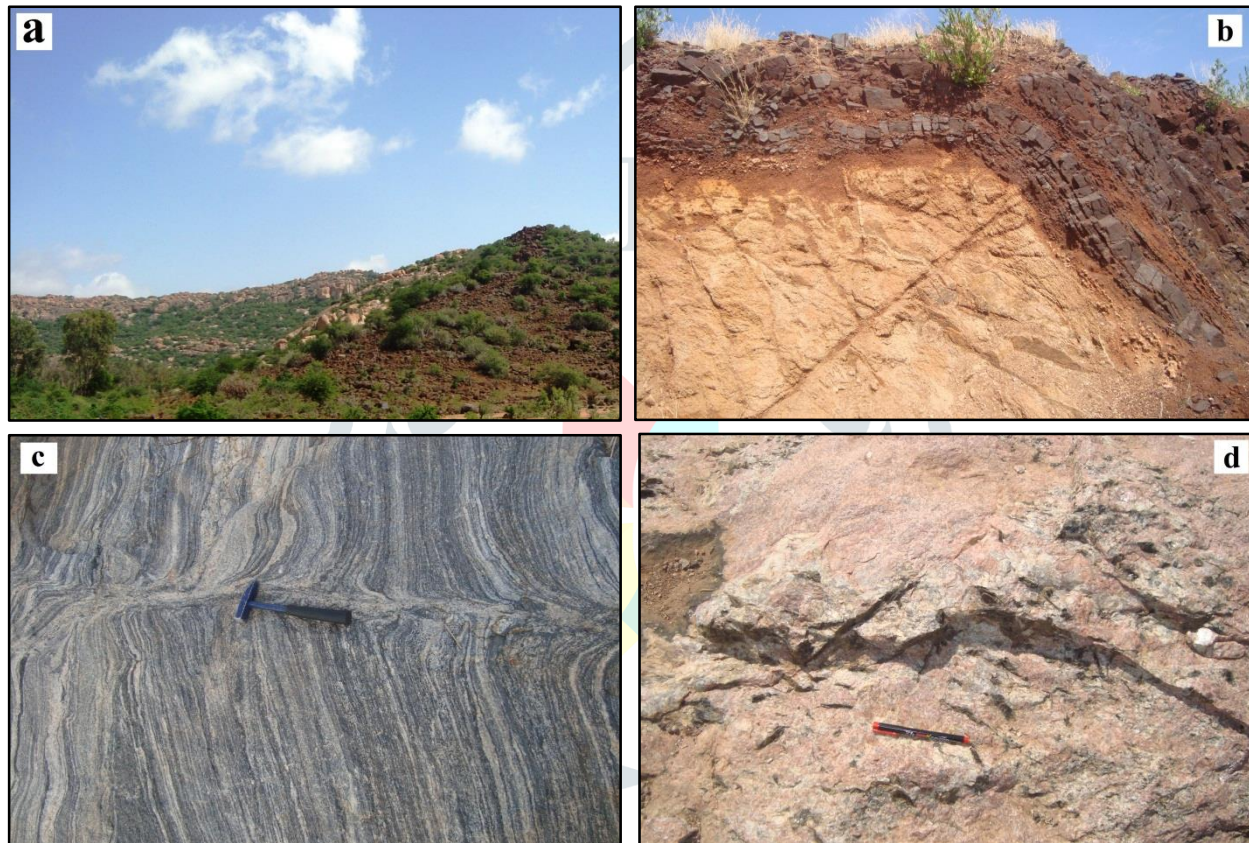


Fig.13. Field Photographs of (a) contact zone of Dolerite and Granite, (b) Iron formation, (c) Gneiss (d) Pegmatite.

6. CONCLUSION

Field investigation, optical properties, XRF analysis, Arc GIS and omnian software's helps to find out Geological, Petrographic, Physical, ore characteristics and Chemical characteristics and discrimination shows purity of the minerals present in the Precambrian rocks. Analyzed and Studies for the selected samples were carried out and identified mineral assemblage of Gneiss, Granite, BFQ, Pegmatite and Dolerite. The dolerite is showing deformed texture at the time of metamorphism and crustal evolution. Na₂O-Al₂O₃-K₂O ternary plots of the study area reveals metaluminous in nature. This approach not only portrays the variation of alumina saturation but also deals with the changes in Fe + Mg+ TI on one hand and Al- (K+ Na+2Ca) on the other hand and the role of alumina that accompanies differentiation of granitic melts. The dominance of FeO over Fe₂O₃ and K₂O over Na₂O without exception characterizes the litho-units of study area. Geochemically the rocks are proved the dominance of Feo over F^{e2} O₃ and K₂O without exception Charecterizes the all lithological setting of Rayadurga. The iron ore is concentrated with high grade and mineral assemblages like two types of pyroxenes with scapolite

and titanium rich mineral rutile seems to be higher temperature and pressured mineralization. This study mainly characterization of Rayadurga area litho-units and crustal evolution and crustal formation at the time of middle Archean to proterozoic time of precambrian crust.

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