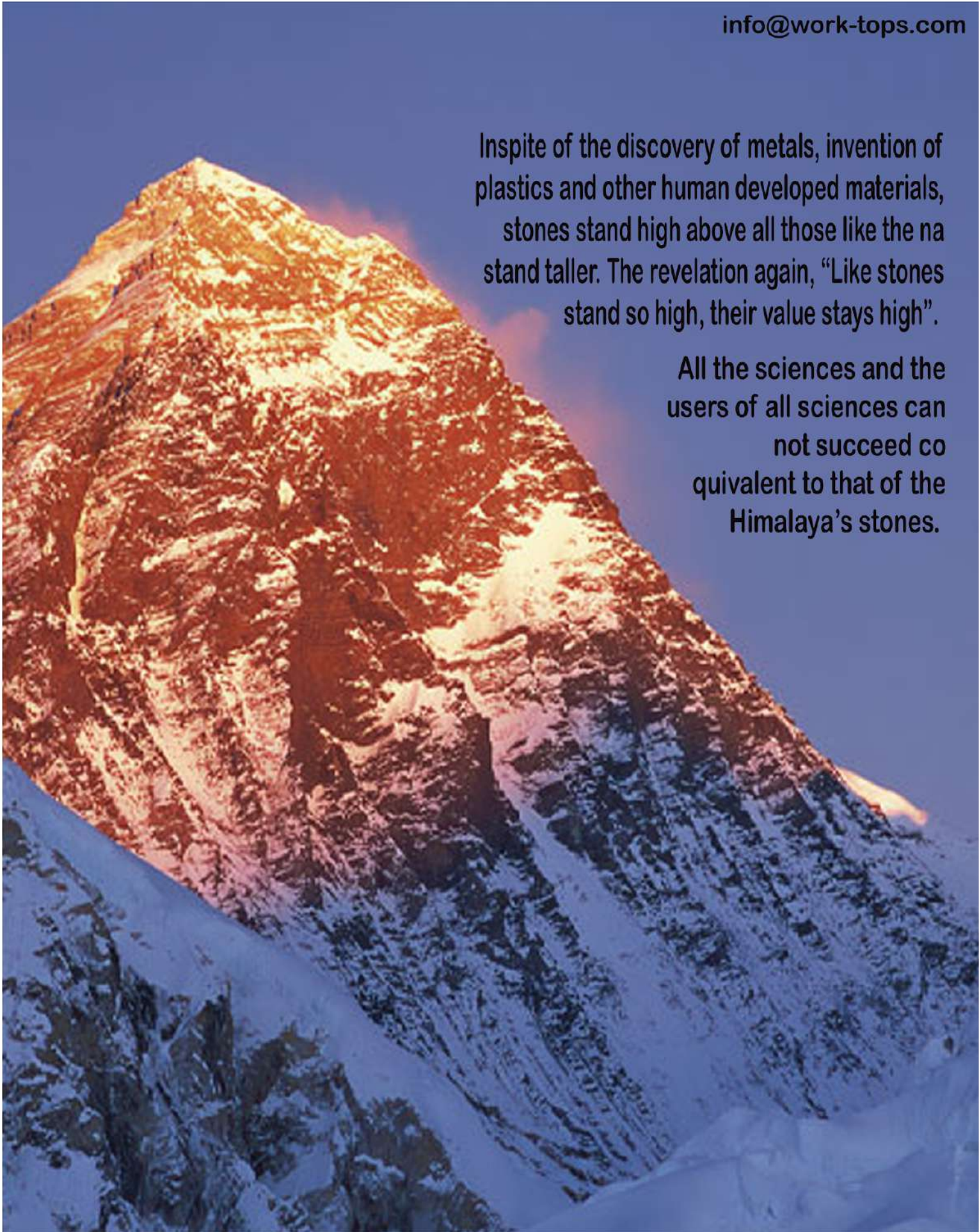


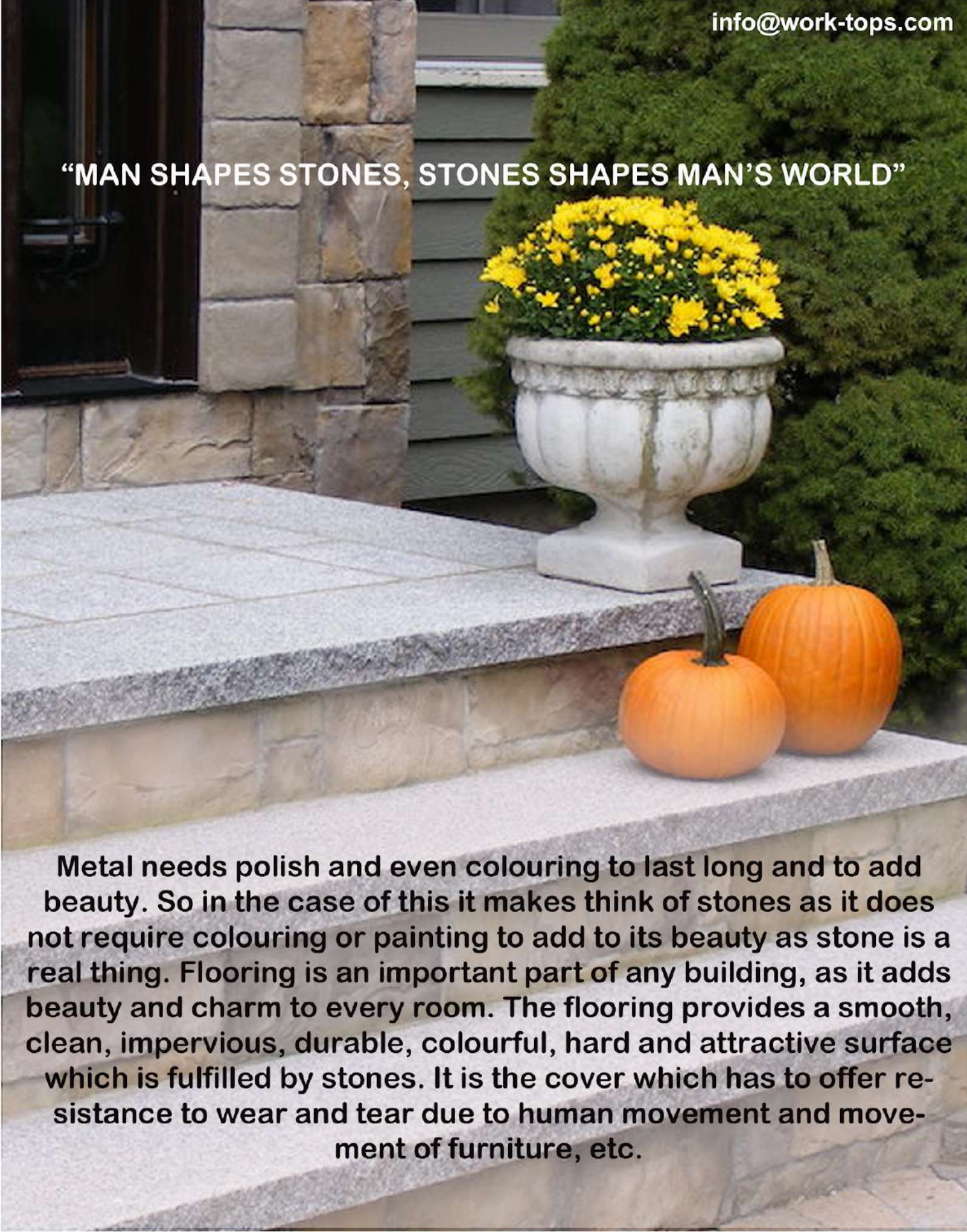
Indian Granite and Industry

History Back to 3200 BC has been influenced considerably by the disposition, development and use of stones and other construction materials. Dimension stones have also left deep imprints on the architectural heritage of the country. The age of stones and the civilisation of this period have been recorded in pages of history. This tradition of Stone Architecture has continued to the present era, with most of the important modern buildings. Stones are still the mainstays of civil construction in the country, with stones being used extensively in various types of construction.

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Inspite of the discovery of metals, invention of plastics and other human developed materials, stones stand high above all those like the na stand taller. The revelation again, "Like stones stand so high, their value stays high".

All the sciences and the users of all sciences can not succeed co equivalent to that of the Himalaya's stones.

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Metal needs polish and even colouring to last long and to add beauty. So in the case of this it makes think of stones as it does not require colouring or painting to add to its beauty as stone is a real thing. Flooring is an important part of any building, as it adds beauty and charm to every room. The flooring provides a smooth, clean, impervious, durable, colourful, hard and attractive surface which is fulfilled by stones. It is the cover which has to offer resistance to wear and tear due to human movement and movement of furniture, etc.

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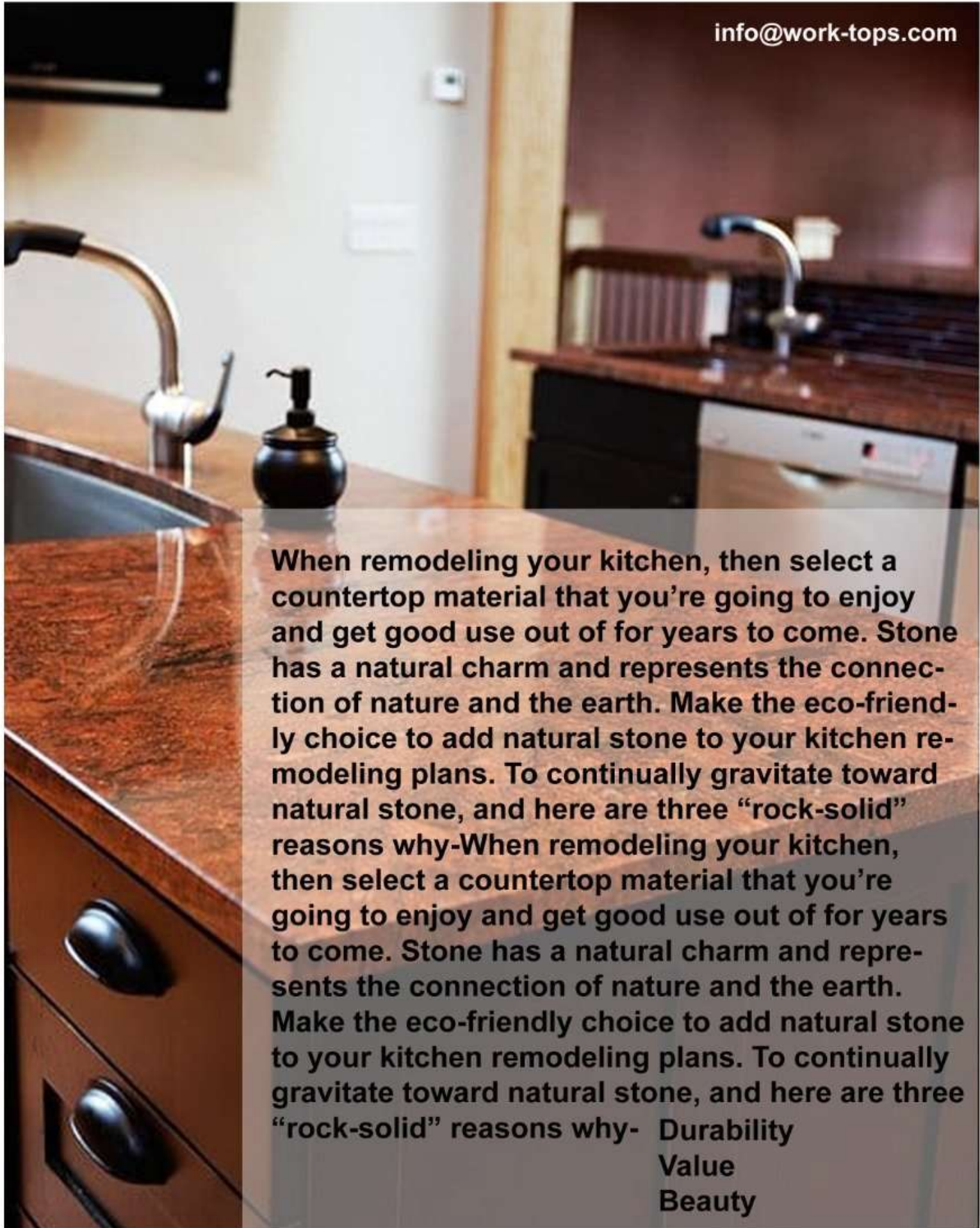
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Its Tradition with Stones

Indian tradition with stones, dating back to 3200 BC has been influenced by their disposition, developments and dimensions have left deep imprints on the architectural heritage of the country. Some exquisitely carved statuettes, carvings and monuments are testimonials of India's tradition with stones.

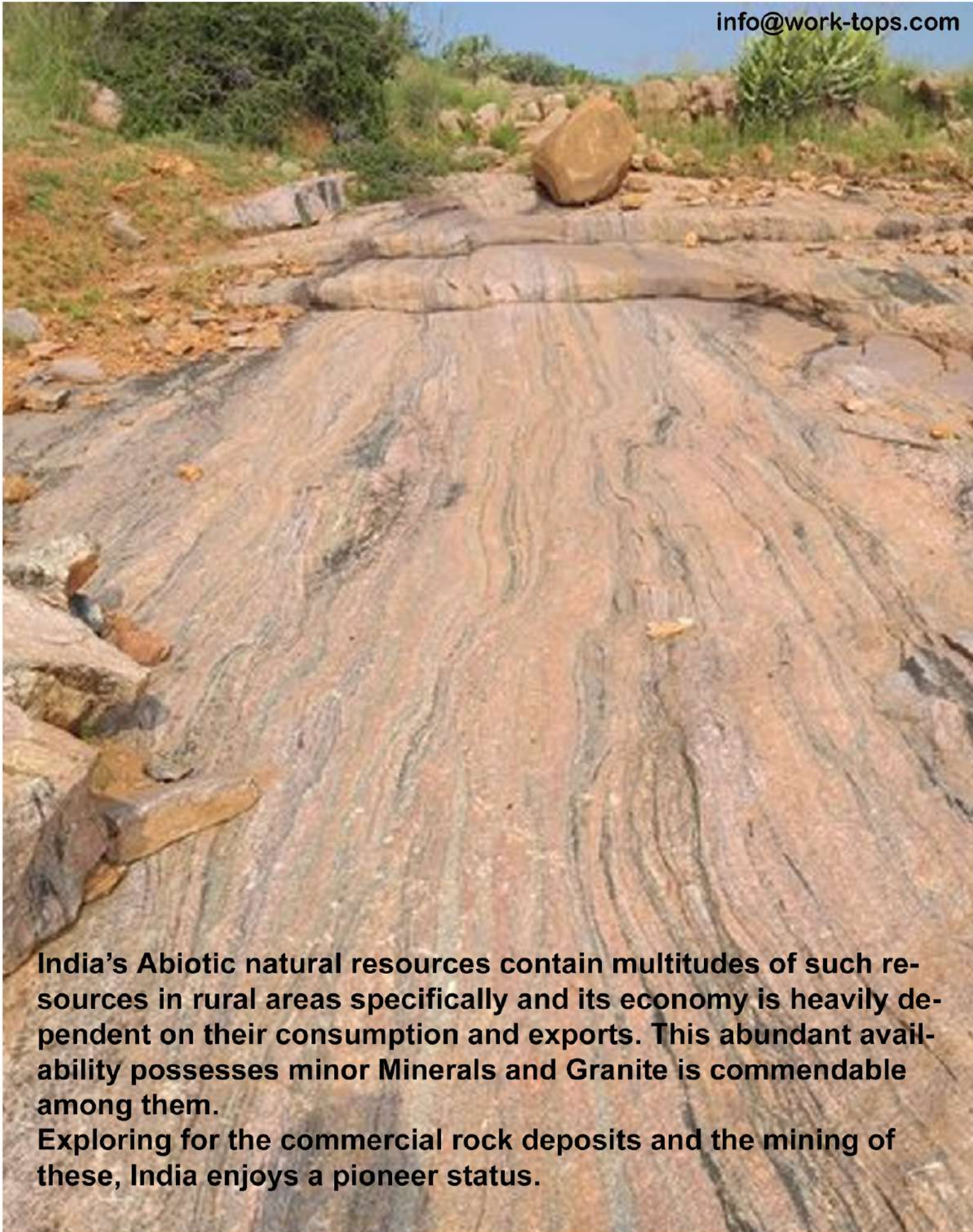
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- Durability
- Value
- Beauty

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India's Abiotic natural resources contain multitudes of such resources in rural areas specifically and its economy is heavily dependent on their consumption and exports. This abundant availability possesses minor Minerals and Granite is commendable among them.

Exploring for the commercial rock deposits and the mining of these, India enjoys a pioneer status.

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Dimension stone Granites of India account for about 205 of the world's resources. Commercially viable granite and other rock deposits are reported from Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Telangana, etc. Indian Granite Stones comprises over 160 shades and that contribute to nearly half of the 300 variety Granite Stones, traded in the world market. As of 2005, Indian reserves of Granite was 34,426 million cubic meters and India is ranked fifth in the exporting capacity of processed products.

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Boon of the Nature - India's Red Soil

It is the 3rd largest soil group of India covering 10.6% of its area. These red soils surround the South, East and Northern parts of the country. They are derived from crystalline rocks which are low in nutrients and poorly cultivable. Red soil, also known as the Omnibus group have been developed over Archaen Granite, gneiss and other crystalline rocks. These soils have been formed by the disintegration of granites, Grani gneiss, quartz, etc.



The Granite of India

IT produces over 150 different types of granites. There is almost every colour of granite available here. The top qualities are based on demands, patterns, uniformity and availability factors. Here are the few names with top notch quality:

Absolute black	Tan Brown
River white	Kashmir White
Fantasy Brown	Steel Grey
Alaska White	Colonial White
Black Galaxy	Imperial Red

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The Quality of Indian Granite

Indian granite is known for its solid physical properties. Structures produced using Indian granite tiles and stones stand the trial of time with scarcely any maintenance. Choosing the Indian granite tiles for your development and retail housing activities opens a new way to ingenuity. Indian granite tiles are as of now ruling the fragment of elaborate and fashioner ventures from buildings to arenas.

India exports this quality stone across the world. It is a level – 3 High grade Granite and is the finest quality that comes from India. This stone stuns all with rare colours, patterns and veins with an average thickness of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. The finest quality Ebony Steak Granite from India is hard and dense in colour. On tapping this stone, you hear a music equivalent to the ringing of a bell. It is an accolade that Indian granite is accepted in USA which is a very source of Granite.



The Status of Indian Granite

The Indian Granite Industry has its Federation, Indian Granite and Stone Industry FIGSI. The objective of the federation is to promote natural stone industry of India across the globe and to resolve the issues faced by the industry. The federation has about 1250 members all over the country.

India has more than 11% exports share in the total world stone trade. In the production of total stone produced throughout the world, India's share is more than 27%. It has the recognition that India is the one of the largest dimensional block producers in the world and, are suppliers to more than 90 countries.

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Indian economy is boosted by the growth of its stone industry and it is providing large employment

Opportunities in its rural sector after agriculture.

The indian quarrying sector pays the highest royalty in the world that is about 15% on the invoice value against which the world average royalty is a meat 3 %.

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“GIVE A ROYAL LOOK TO YOUR INTERIOR HOME”

Stone is a natural material that will bring warmth to your interior, if it is used as an ornament or decoration. Stone has a natural charm and represents the connection of nature and the earth. Attractive stone wall is a nice idea for wall decoration in the living room, which can completely transforms the living space. Stone wall in the living room creates a feeling of cold, all this can be mitigated by setting fireplace to the side where there is a stone wall, which will bring warmth to this space and the whole environment.

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The future outlook

With policy supports from government, the industry has growth perspective of 10 x 15% annually. There is a steady increase of exports by 15 – 20% annually and, projected investment can grow up to 1lakh crores. More than 15 lakhs skilled and semi skilled labourers have been employed in rural and semi urban areas. Over a period of time natural stone will prove that they are of superior compared to other competitive products.