

N.4: HBNI Scholar's Day celebrated at RRCAT

At present, there are about 100 research scholars (internal and external) registered under Ph.D. program of HBNI at RRCAT. To have a better interaction among the students and the faculty members as well as to know the talents of the scholars, the idea of *HBNI Scholar's Day* celebration was initiated. This program is organised by Ph.D. scholars independently under the guidance of Director, RRCAT and HBNI-RRCAT officials. Continuing the same enriched tradition, this year HBNI Scholars' Day was celebrated on 30th September 2016. The celebration was inaugurated by Dr. P. D. Gupta, Vice-chancellor HBNI and presided by Dr. P. A. Naik, Director RRCAT. In his inaugural speech, Dr. Gupta reiterated the reason for celebrating HBNI Scholars' Day and appreciated the efforts at HBNI-RRCAT. The celebration had two parts: scientific session and cultural evening. In scientific session, Dr. A. K. Sinha, then Director, UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Indore was invited to deliver a talk on "Matter energy and their interaction-A nuclear physics perspective". The talk presented a brief overview of the global research efforts and present understanding about matter-energy and their interaction. This was followed by the poster exhibition session by Ph.D. scholars presenting their work. The poster exhibition brought an opportunity for Ph.D. scholars to present the work among the scientific community at RRCAT. It allowed a wide interaction among the RRCAT scientists and scholars. It also promoted the research opportunity in other labs of RRCAT by the scholars due to the interaction with scientists.



Scholars staging comedy drama "Baap re Baap" during HBNI Scholar Day

The cultural evening was a bouquet with colourful dance, melodious songs and dramas. A short drama presenting the historical events from Indus valley civilization to freedom struggle was staged to commemorate the seventy years of freedom. A couple of classical and bollywood dances and songs made the cultural session live. A comedy drama titled, "Baap re baap" written by Shri K. P. Saxena, highlighting the hardships of the common man was also staged. The drama showcased how an individual was compelled to do undesired

things due to "unemployment". The efforts by Ph.D. scholars demonstrated that they are doing equally good in academics and extra-curricular activities and it was well appreciated by all. The HBNI scholars' day was concluded with the National Anthem.

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N.5: HBNI organizes a mini-marathon "Freedom-70" at RRCAT

India entered 70th year of her Independence on 15th August 2016. University Grant Commissioning (UGC) notified that all the Educational Institutions/Universities should celebrate the Freedom-70 by organising through various events including freedom run. HBNI, RRCAT organised successfully a mini marathon on 24th September 2016 in RRCAT premises.



Participants of mini-marathon "Freedom-70" with Dr. P. D. Gupta, Vice-chancellor HBNI and Dr. P. A. Naik, Director RRCAT

Dr. P D Gupta, Vice-chancellor HBNI was the Chief Guest of the event and it was presided by Dr. P. A. Naik, Director RRCAT. In his inaugural speech, Dr. Gupta welcome the efforts of HBNI-RRCAT in bringing together Ph.D. & M.Tech. scholars, RRCAT employees and CISF personnel. Subsequently, he flagged off the race from BARC Training School at RRCAT. There were 138 participants with 17 CISF personnel, 55 Ph.D. & M.Tech. scholars and 66 RRCAT employees. The prizes were given away in four different categories: CISF personnel, Boys, Girls and RRCAT employee. The names of winner in each category were – Mr. Muthaiya P., CT/GD and Mr. Prabhu B. Rachniakar, CT/GD in CISF category, Mr. Sachin V. in Boys category, Ms. Kritika Bharadwaj in Girls category and Mr. Prabhat Kumar in RRCAT employee category. These prizes were distributed during HBNI Scholar's day.

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