

**N.10: 5<sup>th</sup> HBNI Research Scholars' Day celebrated at RRCAT**

RRCAT is a Constituent Institute of HBNI and currently there are about 80 research scholars (staff members and external scholars) enrolled for Ph. D. program of HBNI at RRCAT. Every year “HBNI Research Scholar's Day” is organized to provide an opportunity to the scholars to display their academic and extra-curricular talents. This year, the 5<sup>th</sup> HBNI Research Scholar's Day was celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019. This program was planned and executed by the Ph. D. scholars under the guidance of Director, RRCAT and HBNI-RRCAT officials. Like yesteryears, this year's celebration also comprised of three functions, namely, poster session, academic session, and a cultural programme in the evening titled “Spectrum”. Prof. Somak Raychaudhary, Director, Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), Pune was the Chief Guest of the function and Shri Debashis Das, Director, RRCAT presided over the function. During academic session, Prof. Raychaudhary delivered a talk on “Einstein's Legacy in Our Time: Cosmic Illusions & Gravitational Waves”. His talk generated lot of interest and enthusiasm for the field among the students. The poster session was also inaugurated by Prof. Raychaudhary. He interacted with the students by visiting their posters and encouraged them. In the evening, Ph. D. scholars presented a cultural session “Spectrum-2019”, which included songs, dance, mimes, standup comedy session and drama.



*Shri Debashis Das, Director, RRCAT welcoming Prof. Somak Raychaudhary, Director, IUCAA.*



*Ph. D. Scholars performing mime on “Uri attack & surgical strike” during HBNI Scholars' Day.*

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**N.11: HBNI organized a mini-marathon "बिन पानी सब सून" at RRCAT**

A mini-marathon entitled “बिन पानी सब सून” was organized on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2019 in RRCAT premises. The theme of mini-marathon was to bring awareness among the Ph. D. scholars, project trainees, CISF personnel, RRCAT employees and their dependents about the importance of water in human life.



*Participants during Mini Marathon-2019.*

Shri Debashis Das, Director, RRCAT was the Chief Guest. In his speech, Shri Das reiterated the importance of water in our lives and appreciated the efforts of HBNI-RRCAT in bringing Ph. D. and M. Tech. scholars, CISF security, RRCAT employee and their dependents together on the important issue. Like last years, this year also mini-marathon was organized along two routes: mini-marathon (long) for CISF personnel and mini-marathon (short) for other category. Shri Das flagged-off both the races from the starting point near BARC Training School at RRCAT.



*Shri Debashis Das, Director, RRCAT flagging-off the mini-marathon.*

There were more than 150 participants including 52 CISF personnel. The prizes were given away in different categories. The winners in each category were: Mr. Dev Kumar Sharma (boy-student), Mr. Deepram Meena (RRCAT employee), Ms. Vineeta Ahirwar (girl-student and women) Mr. I. K. Dodamani (CISF-male) and Ms. Bharati Narware (CISF-female). The prizes were given away by Smt. Sujayita Das during the cultural session of 5<sup>th</sup> HBNI Research Scholar's Day.

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