

# MEETINGS/SYMPOSIA/SEMINARS

## Centenary Seminar on Applied X-Rays

Date: 18–19 December 1995

Place: Madurai

Topics include: Crystal growth and characterization; High-pressure X-ray diffraction; Crystal structures; Defect characterization; Imaging plate technique; Crystalline solid solutions; Other related topics.

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## DAE Homi Bhabha Chair for Distinguished Scientists/Professors including Engineers and Technologists

The Department of Atomic Energy has established the DAE Homi Bhabha Chair. There would be a total of not more than 8 such awardees of which 4 would be tenable at any of the research centres of the DAE and autonomous institutions aided by it and another 4 at Indian Universities or other academic and research institutions in the country.

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## International Workshop on Advanced Plastics and Rubber Composites (IWAPRC-96)

Date: 15–22 January 1996

Place: Kharagpur

In this workshop, a comprehensive discourse is envisaged on advanced polymeric composites comprising advanced plastics and elastomer matrices, newer fibres, manufacture of composites, mechanics of composites and structure-property, etc.

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## XIV All India Cell Biology Conference of the Indian Society of Cell Biology

Date: 23–25 February 1996

Place: Calcutta

Topics include: Cellular and molecular parasitology; Plant molecular biology and biotechnology; Human diseases: Diagnostics, mechanisms and therapeutic aspects; Animal reproduction and biotechnology; Structure-function of genes and chromosomes and cellular regulation.

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## National Conference on Recent Trends in Vibrational Spectroscopy

Date: 26–28 February 1996

Place: Meerut

Topics include: Vibrational spectroscopy of molecules; Electronic spectroscopy of molecules; Laser and laser-based spectroscopy; Vibrational analysis and molecular structure; Spectroscopic studies and molecular structure; Theoretical methods; Spectroscopy of metal-complexes; New techniques; Other related topics.

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## Contact Programme for Excellence in Diagrammatics and Cartography in Earth Sciences

Date: 22–29 February 1996

Place: Pune

Topics include: Various aspects of diagrammatics in earth sciences and principles of representations; Computer aided graphics and demonstrations.

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**XVIII Conference of the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation (Dedicated to Prof. S. Chandrasekhar)**

Date: 15-17 February 1996  
Place: Madras

The programme will consist of plenary sessions, special session and sessions for contributed papers covering topics from classical gravity, cosmology, gravitational radiation, relativistic astrophysics, quantum gravity (including strings), etc. There will be a session on the late Professor Chandrasekhar.

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**First International Conference on Molecular Association**

Date: 18-20 March 1996  
Place: Aligarh

Molecular association (including organic conductors, semiconductors and super conductors) with special section on biological, environmental and biomedical applications and chemical education is being organized at Aligarh.

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**Sheet Metal Working '96**

Date: 22-23 October 1996  
Place: Hanover, Germany

The Conference Theme: Process-and quality assurance in sheet metal working and tool and die making.

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**Physical and Biological Changes across the major Geological Boundaries**

Date: 10-12 September 1996  
Place: Lucknow

Topics proposed: Precambrian-Cambrian Transition; Permo-Triassic boundary; Cretaceous-Tertiary boundary; Pleistocene-Holocene boundary.

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