### Report on the

# 109<sup>th</sup> National workshop on "Radiochemistry and Applications of Radioisotopes"

at

Department of Physics, Government College (Autonomous), Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh, India, during February 03-07, 2025

The 109th BRNS-IANCAS National Workshop on "Radiochemistry and Applications of Radioisotopes" was organized at the Department of Physics, Government College (Autonomous), Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh, during February 03-07, 2025. Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu was the coordinator and Dr. B. Gowri Naidu, Dept. of Physics, Govt. College (A), Rajahmundry was the local Co-ordinator of the Workshop. There were 85 registered participants in the workshop which included faculty members, research scholars and post graduate students from various departments of Govt. College and other institutes in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Delhi. Dr. P.K. Mohapatra, President, IANCAS and Former Director, RC & IG, BARC inaugurated the workshop. In his inaugural address, Dr. Mohapatra described about various activities of IANCAS like organizing symposiums, national workshops and awards for researchers/scientists working in nuclear and allied sciences. He also mentioned about the thematic bulletins published by IANCAS on its website. Dr. Ramanjanevulu briefly explained the aim of organizing this workshop and structure of the Workshop. Later in his key note address, Dr. Mohapatra described about programs of Department of Atomic Energy, emphasizing the application of radiation and radioisotopes in healthcare, food and industry etc. The technical program of the Workshop (enclosed) comprised of 13 lectures and 4 experiments. The lectures and experiments were held during the forenoon and afternoon sessions, respectively. All the lectures were received very well by the participants, which was evident from the questions & answer session following each lecture and subsequent lively discussions. On each day at the end of forenoon technical session, quiz was conducted on topics discussed in previous lectures and participation of students and research scholars was overwhelming. Valedictory function was held in the afternoon of February 07, 2025 and Dr. Tapas Das, Head, RPhD, BARC was the Chief Guest. A few participants, including students, shared their impressions about the workshop. Dr. Tapas Das and Dr. Ramanjaneyulu responded to the feedbacks and emphasized the participants to apply radioisotopes in their research work. They appealed the participants to inform the people about the societal benefits of nuclear energy and radioisotopes. On behalf of IANCAS, G.M. Counter was donated to the host-institute for their academic use. All the participants were given workshop participation certificates. The Workshop was concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu. The workshop was well covered by local media, covering the prominent places in Telugu and English News Papers (enclosed).

# **Technical Programme**

Lecture / Title	Speaker
Inauguration	Chief Guest Dr. P.K.
	Mohapatra, President
	IANCAS
Keynote Lecture 1: DAE at a glance: Peaceful uses	Dr. P.K. Mohapatra
of atomic energy	
L1: Theory of Radioactive Decay- Part I	Dr. Sabyasachi Patra
Introduction to Practicals & formation of groups	Dr. Sabyasachi Patra
for practical	
L2: Theory of Radioactive Decay- Part II	Dr. Sabyasachi Patra
L3: Interaction of Radiation with Matter	Shri. Atanu Jha
L4: Career Opportunities in DAE	Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu
Interaction with Participants: Quiz Competition	
L5: Radiation Detection and Measurements	Dr. Sabyasachi Patra
L6: Nuclear Reactors	Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu
L7: DAE Technologies for Societal Applications	Shri. P. Daniel Babu
<b>Interaction with Participants: Quiz Competition</b>	
L8: Application of Radioanalytical Techniques in	Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu
Research	
L9: Radioisotopes in Health care (Diagnosis)	Dr. Tapas Das
L10: Radioisotopes in Health care (Therapy)	Dr. Tapas Das
Interaction with Participants: Quiz Competition	
L11: Production of Radioisotopes	Dr. Tapas Das
L12: Application of Radioisotopes and Radiation in	Shri. Atanu Jha
Industry	
L13: Radiation Safety and Setting up a	Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu
Radiological Laboratory	
<b>Interaction with Participants: Quiz Competition</b>	
Valedictory & Distribution of Participation Certificates: Chief Guest: Dr.	
Tapas Das, Head, RPhD, BARC.	

#### **Experiments:**

- 1. G.M. Counter (Plateau, Dead time & Statistics)- Dr. Sabyasachi Patra & Shri Sahiralam Khan, RPhD
- 2. NaI(Tl) (Determination of resolution of detector & attenuation Coefficient)- Shri. D. Chandra Sekhar, PDD
- 3. Environmental (Soil/ Air/Fruits) radioactivity demonstration- Shri. Atanu Jha
- 4. Application of Radioactivity in Separation Science (U/Th Separation) Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu

Coordinator of the workshop: Dr. P.S. Ramanjaneyulu, Head, HTAS, RACD, BARC

Practical coordinator of the workshop: Dr. Sabyasachi Patra, Senior Scientific Officer, RCD, BARC

## Few Glimpses and media coverage of the workshop

