

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Tirupati

cordially invites you to the celebration of

8th Foundation Day

with the Chief Guest

Prof. Sourav Pal

Professor and Head of Chemistry, Ashoka University

March 27, 2023 | 11:00 AM Venue: CV Raman Hall, IISER Tirupati

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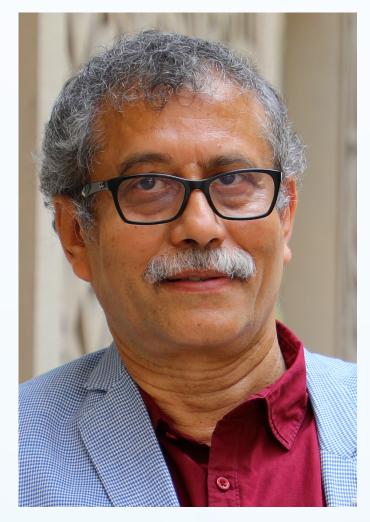
1:00 AM - 11:05 AM	Welcome
1:05 AM - 11:15 AM	Institute Video Presentation
1:15 AM - 11:25 AM	Report of the Institute by the Director and Introduction of the Foundation Day Speaker
1:25 AM - 12:00 PM	Foundation Day Lecture by Prof. Sourav Pal titled "Liberal Arts and Sciences: Integrative Education in Holistic Ecosystem"
2:00 PM - 12:20 PM	Foundation Day Awards
2:20 PM - 12:25 PM	Release of "Dhwani" Student Magazine
2:25 PM - 12:30 PM	Launch of "IISER Tirupati Alumni Association"
2:30 PM - 12:35 PM	Vote of Thanks

All guests are requested to be seated latest by 10:45 AM

Prof. Sourav Pal

Prof. Sourav Pal is Professor and Head of Chemistry at Ashoka University. He was formerly the Director of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Kolkata (2017-2022) and Director of CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), Pune (2010-2015). He was a Professor of Chemistry at IIT Bombay (2015-2017).

Prof Sourav Pal obtained his five years integrated Master's degree in Chemistry from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur in 1977, received a PhD from Calcutta University and joined NCL in **1982.** He was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Florida, Gainesville, USA (1986-87) and was an Alexander von Humboldt Fellow at the University of Heidelberg, Germany (1987).



Prof. Sourav Pal is a distinguished theoretical chemist and has earned an international reputation for his seminal contributions to the methodological and conceptual development of many-body electronic structure theory. He also enhanced our understanding of density-based chemical reactivity, catalytic and hydrogen storage materials using computational material sciences. He is a renowned expert and celebrated chemist known for his contributions towards developing rigorous ab initio coupled-cluster theory for molecular electronic structure. He has guided more than 45 Ph.D. students and published more than 300 papers in international peer-reviewed journals.

Dr. Pal received the prestigious Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award in Chemical Sciences (2000). He is a Fellow of the Indian National Science Academy (2003), Indian Academy of Sciences (1996), National Academy of Sciences (1998), Maharashtra Academy of Sciences (1994), and J C Bose National Fellow of the **Department of Science and Technology.** He was the President of the Chemical **Research Society of India (CRSI) during 2014-2017.**

He was bestowed with SASTRA-CNR Rao Award in Chemistry & Materials Science (2014) and a recipient of the INSA Young Scientist award (1987), CRSI Bronze (2000) and Silver Medals (2009), and CSIR Young Scientist prize (1989) along with many prestigious awards both nationally and internationally. He has also served on several government policy-making committees. He is the Founding Executive Board member of the Commonwealth Chemistry and Chairman of the Chemical Council of Bureau of Indian Standards. He has been associated with the IISER system since its inception in 2006.

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