



The following provides an outline of the activities planned in India for celebrating IYCr 2014.

Release of postage stamp

A project is underway from the Indian Institute of Science (Bangalore) and the Department of Science and Technology (New Delhi) for the release of a commemorative stamp by India Post on the occasion of IYCr 2014.

International Conference/ Meeting on Crystallography & Society

A one-day International Conference/ Meeting on Crystallography & Society would be organized at INSA for which the sponsorship would be requested from IUCr and IUPAB including all facets involving **Nobel Laureates** under INSA schemes.

Special Proceedings of INSA (PINSa)

A special INSA proceedings (PINSa) containing minimum 10 articles written by the expert crystallographers of the country would be released during the International Conference. Prof. T P Singh would edit the issue.

National Seminar on Crystallography

42nd National Seminar on Crystallography held in Delhi during November 21-23 was an occasion to herald IYCr 2014 in India. To celebrate IYCr in a wider context there would be three meetings of NSC43 in 2014. The venues are CSIR-Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow (convener: Dr. R. Ravishankar), IISER, Mohali (convener: Dr. A Roy Choudhuri), and Sardar Patel University, Vallab Vidyanagar (convener: Dr. Urmila Patel). IYCr would also be celebrated at the 6th International Symposium on Recent Trends in Macromolecular Structure and Function (ISRTMSF-2014), Chennai during January 22-14, 2014 (convener: Prof. D Velmurugan). An international Workshop on Symmetry Relationships Between Crystal Structures with Applications to Structural and Magnetic Phase Transitions would be held at Banaras Hindu University during October 27-31, 2014 (convener: Prof. D. Pandey) – the organizers have sought support from IUCr and INSA.

Outreach programmes of INSA: Crystallography popularization lecture series

In order to popularize crystallography, it has been proposed to arrange for lectures by eminent crystallographers in remote areas of the country. Articles would be written in vernacular magazines/newspapers to provide a glimpse of crystallography to non-practitioners.

Useful sites

<http://www.iycr2014.org/>

<http://www.iucr.org/news/newsletter>