

The Nineteenth National Symposium & Workshop on Thermal Analysis (THERMANS-2013)

The Nineteenth National Symposium & Workshop on Thermal Analysis (THERMANS-2013) was held at TSH & HBNI, BARC during December 19-23, 2013.

There was overwhelming response to the symposium and workshop. In all there were 240 registered participants from academic and research institutions with a significant percentage of students and research scholar participants.

The symposium was inaugurated by Dr. K.L. Ramakumar Director, Radiochemistry & Isotope Group, BARC. Dr. B.N. Jagatap, Director Chemistry Group was Guest of Honour for the inaugural function. Dr D. Das, President, Indian Thermal Analysis Society (ITAS) cited the active role played by thermal analysis techniques in characterization of materials for specific purposes.

Dr. S.C. Parida, Secretary, ITAS, announced the awards instituted by the Indian Thermal

Analysis Society. The awards were presented by Dr. K.L. Ramakumar, Dr. B.N. Jagatap, Dr. D. Das and the sponsors of the awards. SETARAM-ITAS Calorimetry Excellence Award was conferred on Dr. V. Venugopal. NETZSCH-ITAS Award 2013 for her outstanding contributions to field of thermal analysis was conferred on Dr. (Mrs.) Bina N. Wani, of Chemistry Division BARC, Mumbai. The TA Instruments-ITAS Young Scientist Award 2013 was conferred on Shri Bhaskar Paul of Materials Processing Division, BARC. Dr. M.D. Karkhanavala Memorial Essay Contest 2013 was won by Shri Subhasis Pati, JRF, BARC. Dr. Gurdip Singh Award for Best Thesis in Thermal Analysis 2013 was given to Dr. Puja Paul of Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

There were 08 technical sessions, 01 instrumentation session and 13 invited lectures. More than 120 research papers were presented at the symposium in both oral and poster sessions.



Inaugural function of THERMANS 2013. From right to left: Dr. K.L. Ramakumar (Director, Radiochemistry and Isotope Group, BARC), Dr. Shyamala Bharadwaj (Convener, THERMANS 2013), Dr. B.N. Jagatap (Director, Chemistry Group, BARC), Dr. D. Das (President, ITAS) and Dr. Y. K. Bhardwaj (Secretary, THERMANS 2013)