

## N.6: Graduation Function of 15<sup>th</sup> Batch of BARC Training School at RRCAT

The Graduation Function Ceremony of the 15<sup>th</sup> batch of BARC Training School, Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology (RRCAT), Indore was held on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2015 at RRCAT, Indore. In this batch seven trainee scientific officers (TSOs) successfully completed the orientation programme. Dr. Ratan Kumar Sinha, Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission & Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy, Government of India, was the Chief Guest of the function. Dr. Sinha presented the Course certificates to all trainee scientific officers and awarded the prestigious Homi Bhabha Medal and Prize to Shri Bujagouni Karthik Goud, the topper of the batch. He also distributed Ph. D. and M. Tech. degree certificates to the candidates who had successfully completed these programmes under Homi Bhabha National Institute during the previous year.



*Graduating TSOs of the 15<sup>th</sup> batch of BARC Training School, RRCAT posing for a photograph with the Chief Guest and other dignitaries.*

In his address, the chief guest, Dr. R. K. Sinha congratulated the TSOs for successfully completing the one year Orientation Course and welcomed them to the DAE family and wished them all a very successful professional career. He also welcomed the five new trainees who joined for the Training School and complemented them for selecting DAE for their career. He opined that the TSOs are the future of the country and suggested them to work hard and make DAE stand high internationally. He encouraged young people to come up with innovative ideas to achieve this goal. He expressed his happiness with the progress of the center and said that every time he visits RRCAT he gets inspired. At RRCAT, he was excited to see science in action since the center is buzzing with enthusiastic researchers and students. He claimed that in understanding technology we are second to none. He appreciated the remarkable feat of completing the construction of Diamond Jubilee guest-house in a record time

of ten months and he complimented the officials who made this possible. He emphasized that imagination is more important than the knowledge and opined that the future of DAE lies in the hand of these young TSOs who are graduating today.



*Dr. P. D. Gupta, Director, RRCAT, presenting a memento to Dr. R. K. Sinha, Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission & Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy during the graduation function*

Dr. Sinha advised that before choosing a project, it is important to carry out the gap analysis and three factors namely quest for excellence, relevance and self-reliance should drive the scientific research. He further emphasized that science should serve the society. Regarding the RRCAT north gate exhibits, he suggested that along with laser and accelerator related items, nuclear related exhibits like fuel bundle of PHWR should also be displayed at the north gate building. He reiterated that the general public needs to be educated and informed about the scientific programmes and its benefits to the society. In this regard he appealed to the young people in DAE family to conduct outreach programme. He complimented HBNI and RRCAT in particular for obtaining high grade from NAAC. He congratulated RRCAT staff members and wished them a very good luck.

Dr. P.D. Gupta, Director, RRCAT presided over the function and addressed the gathering. Welcome address was given by Dr. P. K. Gupta, Chairman, Training School Committee. Dr. Arup Banerjee, Head, Training School proposed a vote of thanks.

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