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1. Event: Seminar

2. Title of the Event: 11th Rosalind Franklin Seminar Series

3. Date & Duration: 22nd March, 2025 (11:00 am – 12.30 pm)

4. Objective/Motivation of the Event:

The Rosalind Franklin Seminar Series is designed to serve as a dynamic platform for fostering scientific discussions, knowledge exchange, and interdisciplinary collaborations in the fields of genetics, molecular biology, biotechnology, and plant sciences. Named in honor of Rosalind Franklin, whose pioneering work was instrumental in elucidating the structure of DNA, this seminar series aims to celebrate her legacy while inspiring the next generation of researchers, particularly women in STEM. By bringing together distinguished scientists, scholars, and students, the series seeks to promote cutting-edge research, facilitate dialogue on emerging scientific advancements, and encourage innovation.

A key objective of the seminar series is to provide an avenue for researchers to share their latest findings, methodologies, and technological advancements, thereby strengthening academic and industry linkages. Through interactive lectures, discussions, and networking opportunities, participants will gain exposure to groundbreaking developments in genetics, genomics, bioinformatics, and related disciplines. The series also aims to cultivate a culture of inquiry and intellectual growth, encouraging students and early-career scientists to actively engage in research and contribute to scientific progress.

- 5. Theme of the Event: NA
- 6. Funds Received (In Rs.):
- 7. Technical Session (Details)
 - i. No. of Technical sessions conducted: 01
 - ii. Title of the Technical sessions: "DNA polymerase to Vaccine Development: A personal Scientific Journey"
- **8. Chairperson of the technical session: Prof. Raj Kumar Joshi** (Head, Department of Biotechnology)
- 9. Resource persons (Details):

Dr. Narottam Acharya, Scientist G, BRIC-Institute of Life Sciences, Bhubaneswar.

- 10. Participants Details (Indicate Numbers only)
 - i. Scientists/Faculty/Members of industry: 09
 - ii. Ph. D. Scholars: 15
 - iii. Students: 72

11. Outcomes of the Event:

The 11th Rosalind Franklin Seminar Series, titled "DNA Polymerase to Vaccine Development: A Personal Scientific Journey," was an enlightening experience that provided invaluable insights into the evolution of molecular biology and its applications in healthcare. The seminar featured Dr. Narottam Acharya who shared his scientific journey, tracing the trajectory from fundamental research on DNA polymerases to groundbreaking contributions in vaccine development. This session highlighted the intricate mechanisms of DNA replication, the role of polymerases in genome maintenance, and how this foundational knowledge has translated into transformative medical advancements. The speaker's narrative underscored the importance of perseverance, curiosity, and interdisciplinary collaboration in scientific discovery. Attendees, including faculty, researchers, and students, had the opportunity to engage in thought-provoking discussions, gaining a deeper appreciation for the impact of molecular biology on global health.

Moreover, the seminar reinforced the spirit of the Rosalind Franklin Series, celebrating scientific excellence and inspiring young researchers, particularly women in STEM, to pursue innovative research endeavors. By bridging fundamental science with applied biomedical solutions, this event exemplified the power of research in addressing real-world challenges.

12. Recommendations (if any):

The organizing committee was very pleased with the overall execution of the event in a smooth and successful manner.

13. Selected Photographs: Enclosed



Dr. Narottam Acharya delivering the lecture on "DNA Polymerase to Vaccine Development: A Personal Scientific Journey"



Participants at the 11th Rosalind Franklin Seminar Series



Felicitation of esteemed speaker Dr. Narottam Acharya by Prof. Raj Kumar Joshi, Prof. Sasmita Mohanty and other faculty members.

Rosalind Franklin Seminar Series-2025 <u>Attendance</u>

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