

Department of Physics

19 - 20th March 2010

The Golden Jubilee reunion of the Department of Physics was organized from 19 to 20th of March at the Outreach Auditorium. Fifteen retired faculty members and nearly thirty-five retired staff members (with spouses) from and outside Kanpur visited the campus to participate in the event.

The event started with the welcome note by Prof. V. Ravishankar. Prof. R. K. Thareja, Deputy Director, IIT Kanpur, also extended a hearty welcome to all the distinguished guests. A minute of silence was observed in respectful remembrance of deceased colleague - Prof. S. D. Joglekar. Prof. Sanjay G. Dhande, Director, IIT Kanpur, emphasized the importance of collaborative interdisciplinary research in the future to make a mark in the global academic scenario. Prof. Y. N. Mohapatra highlighted the major changes the Department has seen over the last few decades and also the major challenges it will have to combat in the future.

Every research group of the Department also made a presentation of their research activity. Retired faculty members shared their experiences in teaching and research with the current faculty members. An open forum '**Attracting talent in Physics**' was also held on 20th March.

The ex-faculty and staff members and other distinguished guests revisited their good old days at IIT Kanpur during the "reminiscence and recollection" session. Prof. V. N. Kulkarni gave the vote of thanks on behalf of the organizing committee.

Besides the committee members who were entrusted with the responsibility of planning and organizing the event, all the faculty and staff members and graduate students of the Department enthusiastically worked in tandem to make it a memorable occasion for the visitors.