

'Make in India' and one Industrial Session. A special evening talk by Prof. Sanjeev Dhurandhar from IUCAA, Pune on "The Discovery of Gravitational Waves" was organized.



Dr. V. K. Saraswat visiting the industrial exhibition along with Dr. P. A. Naik.

As a fore runner to the symposium, two short tutorial course, attended by about 50 students, on "Optical Interferometry" and "Laser-matter interaction at the nanoscale", consisting of lectures and hands on demonstrations, were also organized by ILA on December 1-2, 2018.

Dr. P. D. Gupta, former Director, RRCAT, was the Chief Guest of the Concluding Function on 6<sup>th</sup> December. He addressed the gathering and presented the Best Thesis and Best Poster awards.



Dignitaries interacting during NLS-27.

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## N.8: HBNI organized a mini-marathon "Beat the Plastic Pollution" at RRCAT

HBNI RRCAT successfully organised a mini marathon on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018. Theme of the event was "Beat the Plastic Pollution" with tagline "Either Reuse or Refuse", aimed to bring awareness among the Ph. D. scholars, project trainees, CISF personnel, RRCAT employees and their dependents about the plastic pollution.



Participants of mini-marathon with Chief Guest and Director, RRCAT.

Shri H. S. Vora, Former Head, Laser Electronics Support Division, RRCAT was the Chief Guest. The event was presided by Dr. P. A. Naik, Director, RRCAT. In his speech, Dr. Naik emphasized the threats of plastic pollution in our lives and appreciated the organization of the event. The minimarathon started from BARC Training School at RRCAT along two routes: longer route for CISF personnel and a shorter one for the other participants, which were flagged off by Shri Vora.



Shri HS Vora flagging-off the mini-marathons.

There were 146 participants including 48 CISF personnel. The prizes were given away in five different categories: CISF personnel, boy-student, girl-student, RRCAT employees and dependents. The winners in each category were: Shri Vibhansu (CISF), Shri Pranshul Kushwaha (students-boy), Ku. Preeti Pokhriyal (students-girl), Shri Amar Kuldeep Lakra (employees) and Shri Akash Guha (dependents).

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