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Industrial visit to CrTD, BARC, Mumbai by TESA-SPCE

A one-day Industrial visit was conducted to CrTD, BARC, Mumbai on Saturday, 30 September 2019 by TESA-SPCE. This visit to one of the premier research organizations of our country was organized by Prof. Parag K. Muley, Faculty Advisor, TESA-SPCE for the academic benefit of students of elective course 'Introduction to Cryogenics' instructed by him and was attended by 20 students. The program started in the Conference Room, CrTD, BARC with introduction of students of SPCE and a brief presentation about SPCE by Prof. Parag K. Muley to the team of scientists at CrTD, BARC. This was followed by the lectures by distinguished scientists of CrTD, BARC in the first half as follows:

- 1. "Introduction to Cryogenics and CrTD Department" by Dr. Mukesh Goyal-Overview of applications of Cryogenic Technology at Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) such as Super Conducting Magnets and SRF activities for TOKOMAK etc., Experimental facilities at CrTD, BARC like LHP 500, CP 1000, CP 2000 etc.
- 2. "Cold box and Piping" by Mr. Naseem Ahmed- Overview of construction, piping, multilayer insulation, leak-proof fabrication, use of radiography to eliminate leakage.
- 3. "**Turbo Expander**" by **Scientist Mohananand Jadhav** Overview of materials, High strength 707T6 for Turboexpander, Turbomachinery selection Balje Chart, Sealing of Turboexpanders etc.
- 4. "**Heat Exchangers**" by Mr. **Abhilash Chakravarty** Overview of Cryogenic Heat Exchangers, Development of Plate Fin Heat Exchanger (PFHE) at CrTD etc.
- 5. "Gas Lubricated Bearings" by Mr. Ankit Jain- Overview of Bearing selection for high speed Turboexpander, Cryogenic transfer lines, Bayonet connections etc.
- 6. "Safety in Cryogenics" by Mr. Rajendran S. Menon- Overview of hazards at cryogenic temperature such as Oxygen deficiency, Fire, Explosion and Oxygen enrichment methods etc.

The second half was dedicated to visit of students to high-end research laboratories and state of the art experimental facilities at CrTD, BARC such as:

- Bayonet connections, Multilayer insulations,
- Testing of shafts,
- Testing of turboexpanders,
- Helium Leak testing,
- Experimental facilities (LHP 50, CP1000, etc.),
- Workshop and Control Room.

The team of scientists provided our students with practical exposure and valuable information of all above testing and experimental research facilities at CrTD, BARC. The visit to this premier research organization thus provided knowledge of scope and applications of cryogenics in atomic energy research. Electronic gadgets were not allowed in the premises of CrTD, BARC due to confidential research activities and strict security measures. The program was concluded with a MCQ Test of students and feedback and vote of thanks by **Prof. Parag K. Muley**.



