

GUEST LECTURE

RECLAIMING EARTH: A GLOBAL REAWAKENING

The Raman Club of the Department of Physics at Yeshwant Mahavidyalaya, Nanded, successfully organized an impactful guest lecture delivered by the esteemed Dr Srinivasa Aundhakar on the thought-provoking topic “Reclaiming Earth: A Global Reawakening” on February 16, 2026. The primary goal of this event was to foster awareness among students regarding the critical issues of environmental conservation, sustainability, and the urgent need for a unified global effort to safeguard our planet’s future.

Attendees were engaged by Dr Aundhakar’s insightful perspectives and comprehensive analysis of current environmental challenges, inspiring them to think critically about the role they can play in promoting a healthier ecosystem. His lecture emphasized the interconnectedness of humanity and nature, highlighting that collective action is essential for addressing the pressing environmental crises we face today.

Students showcased their talents by presenting visually compelling posters, delivering engaging presentations, and creating innovative models that reflected their understanding of physics and its relevance to the environment. The winners were celebrated during the ceremony, reinforcing the club's commitment to academic excellence and environmental awareness while providing students with a platform to express their insights and ideas.



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At the recent RAMAN club event, vibrant member Ms Sakshi Godre, known for her enthusiasm and engagement, welcomed our esteemed guest, Dr Srinivasa Aundhakar. With a background in Astrophysics, Dr Aundhakar's presence added significant depth to the proceedings, promising to inspire and enlighten attendees with his knowledge and experience.

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During his engaging lecture titled "Reclaiming Earth: A Global Reawakening," Dr Shrinivasa Aundhakar explored the pressing environmental challenges facing our planet and emphasized the urgent need for collective action.

During the question-and-answer session, Faizan Ali, a third-year student pursuing his Bachelor of Science, actively engaged in a discussion with Dr Aundhakar. Their conversation revolved around various topics related to the course material, with Faizan seeking clarification on complex concepts while Dr. Aundhakar provided insightful explanations and examples. The interactive exchange highlighted Faizan's eagerness to deepen his understanding and Dr. Aundhakar's commitment to fostering an encouraging learning environment.

In conjunction with this enriching lecture, the Raman Club also hosted a Prize Distribution Ceremony recognizing the outstanding achievements of students in various competitions that took place earlier, on February 6th and 7th. These competitions included a Poster Competition, a PowerPoint Presentation (PPT) Competition,

and a Model Competition. The objective of these events was to stimulate student creativity, encourage innovative scientific thinking, and promote the practical application of physics principles within the context of environmental issues.

POSTER PRESENTATION WINNERS



First place in the poster presentation was awarded to Ms. Aishwarya Hamda, a second-year B.Sc. student.



Second place in the poster presentation was awarded to Ms. Fariha Jamal, a third-year B.Sc. student.



Third place in the poster presentation was awarded to Ms. Rajnandini More, a second-year B.Sc. student.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION WINNERS



First place in the power point presentation was awarded to Ms. Aruba Zikra, a second-year B.Sc. student.



Second place in the power point presentation was awarded to Ms. Armish Hurain, a First-year B.Sc. student.



Third place in the Power point presentation was awarded to Mr. Chaitanya Birdar, a first-year B.Sc. student.

MODEL PRESENTATION WINNERS



First place in the Model presentation was awarded to Ms. Parisa Kaninde, a second-year B.Sc. student other department.



Second place in the Model presentation was awarded to Mr. Dhanesh Rathod, a Third-year B.Sc. student

The prize distribution ceremony for the students' poster presentations took place on the same day, celebrating their hard work and creativity. In the photograph captured during the event, we see some of the standout participants. In the top left corner is Ms Aruba Zikra, a dedicated student from the B.Sc. II year, proudly holding her award. To the top right corner is Ms Rajnandini More, whose innovative ideas impressed the judges. In the bottom left, we have Mr Dhanesh Rathod, who showcased a compelling presentation, and in the bottom right is Mr Chitannya Biradar, another talented student whose project received accolades. This event not only recognised their achievements but also encouraged collaboration and knowledge sharing among all participants.



After the guest lecture, a group photo was taken at WACHANKATTA. In the front row, from left to right, are the first three colleagues of Dr Shrinivasa Aundhakar, followed by Dr Aundhakar himself, Dr M.M.V. Baig, Dr P. R. Mirkute, head of the Department, Mr A.R. Gurkhude, Dr P. R. Chikate, and B.Sc. III-year student Faizan Ali. The photograph also captures one of the faculty members, Mr S.M. Delmade.