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National Science Day Lecture

Prof. Narayansami Sathyamurthy



**Passion Flower: a little bit of science
behind it**

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Prof. N Sathyamurthy is the founding Director of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Mohali, Punjab, and the former President of the Chemical Research Society of India (CRSI). He is an Honorary Professor at the Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bengaluru, and also the Chief Editor of Resonance – Journal of Science Education. He is also serving as the Honorary Director of Centre for Cooperation in Science and Technology among Developing Societies, Chennai.

After obtaining his BSc and MSc degrees from Annamalai University, Prof. Sathyamurthy went on to pursue his research at the Oklahoma State University, where he received his PhD degree in 1975. After a post-doctoral stint at the University of Toronto working with J. C. Polanyi, a nobel laureate, on Chemical Kinetics, he came back to India to join the department of Chemistry of IIT Kanpur as a faculty member. He has spent a considerable number of years at IIT Kanpur. He is a visiting professor at many institutions, including IISER Thiruvananthapuram.

His research areas are in theoretical chemistry and molecular reaction dynamics. For his outstanding contributions, Prof. Sathyamurthy has been recognized with several awards, some of which include Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize in Chemical Sciences (1990), Sir C V Raman award by Hari Om Ashram Trust (1997), The Professor Navneetha Rao Best Teacher Award by the Andhra Pradesh Academy of Sciences (2003), J. C. Bose National Fellowship of the Department of Science and Technology (2006-2016), SASTRA-CNR Rao Award for Chemistry and Material Science by Sastra University (2016) and Sir C V Raman Medal by Indian National Science Academy (2016). He is a fellow of all three Indian academies of science and also the fellow of the world academy of sciences (TWAS).

