

NPL FORMER SCIENTISTS FORUM

**Minutes of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Forum,
held in the TEC Conference Room, NPL on March 16, 2008 at 10.30 A.M.**

Notice for the meeting had been sent vide letter dated March 2, 2009 (Annexure A)

Attendance: The following persons had attended the meeting:

(Names arranged alphabetically by the Surname)

1.	Aggarwal , Santosh (Mrs.)	30.	Jain , Sohan Lal (Dr.)	59.	Rustagi , Vijay Kumar
2.	Alam Mohammed Izhar	31.	Jain , Sukhmal Chand (Dr.)	60.	Saksena , Rakesh Chandra (Dr.)
3.	Arora , Gyanendra Kumar	32.	Kakkar , Om Prakash	61.	Segal , Swami Nath
4.	Balchandani , Mulchand Kewalram	33.	Kanjilal , Alok Kumar	62.	Sehgal , Madan Gopal
5.	Balraj Singh	34.	Kapahi , Shashi Bhushan	63.	Sharan , Pramod Chandra
6.	Bhatnagar , Kamleshwer Nath	35.	Kapur , Sudarshan Singh	64.	Sharma , Kailash Chand
7.	Bhattacharyya , Raghunath (Dr.)	36.	Khattar , Dharam Chand	65.	Sharma , Mahesh Chandra (Dr.)
8.	Bhola , Om Parkash	37.	Kewal Krishan	66.	Sharma , Manmohan Lal
9.	Bindal , Vishwa Nath (Dr.)	38.	Khullar , Faqir Chand	67.	Sharma , Ram Gopal (Dr.)
10.	Chakladar , Swapan Kumar	39.	Khanduja , Radhey Sham	68.	Sharma , Ravi Shanker
11.	Charavarty , Tushar Kanti	40.	Kothari , Prafulla Chandra (Dr.)	69.	Sharma , Sham Lal
12.	Chandra , Subhash	41.	Kundu , Namita (Dr. Mrs.)	70.	Shastri , Shashikala (Mrs.)
13.	Chaudhary , Janki Nath	42.	Lakha Singh (Dr.)	71.	Shiv Nath
14.	Chopra , Bir Bal	43.	Lakshmi , Duggirala Rama (Dr. Mrs.)	72.	Singh , Devendra
15.	Das , Satya Ranjan (Dr.)	44.	Mahajan , Kushal Kumar (Dr.)	73.	Singh , Rama Shankar
16.	Dev Kumar	45.	Mahajan , Surender Kumar (Dr.)	74.	Singh , Shiv Nath (Dr.)
17.	Dhawan , Jagdish Kumar	46.	Malhotra , Girdhari Lal	75.	Singh , Ved Ram (Dr.)
18.	Dhawan , Ramesh Chandra	47.	Manrai , Santosh (Mrs.)	76.	Singhal , Raghunandan Prasad (Dr.)
19.	Dhawan , Urmil (Mrs.)	48.	Mittal , Pramod Kumar	77.	Som , Jnanendra Nath (Dr.)
20.	Garg , Satish Chand	49.	Naib Singh	78.	Suri , Sital Kumar
21.	Ghosh , Anand Krishna	50.	Nangia , Shiv Nandan	79.	Surinder Singh
22.	Gupta , Jitendra Kumar (Dr.)	51.	Nath , Mohinder	80.	Tagra , Om Parkash
23.	Gupta , Satish Chander	52.	Ojha , Jai Narain	81.	Tomer , Tej Ram
24.	Gupta , Satya Vir (Dr.)	53.	Pandey , Vijay Kumar (Dr.)	82.	Tyagi , Tuhi Ram (Dr.)
25.	Hamid , Abdul	54.	Panwar , Vinay Singh (Dr.)	83.	Vasishth , Satish Chandra
26.	Hans , Gokul Singh	55.	Raina , Mohan Krishen (Dr.)	84.	Ved Singh (Dr.)
27.	Harish Chander (Dr.)	56.	Rakesh Kumar	85.	Verma , Chiranjit Lal
28.	Jain , Adeshwar Preshad (Dr.)	57.	Ram Narain	86.	Wasan , Ved Parkash
29.	Jain , Prakash Chandra (Dr.)	58.	Ram Swarup (Dr.)	87.	Zalpuri , Kanwar Sushil (Dr.)

Note: The names of some Members who had attended the meeting but had not signed the Attendance Record have been included in the above list. These include Shri Swami Nath Segal and Shri Shiv Nath listed at Sr. Nos. 61 and 71 respectively who were honoured as Members of the 80-Plus Club at the meeting. It is possible that the names of some others who had not signed the Attendance Record have been left out.

The Following Members had expressed either their inability to attend the meeting or else were abroad

(Names arranged alphabetically by the Surname)

1.	Agarwal , Shyam Kishore (Dr.)	26.	Mahesh Chander (Gupta) (Dr.)	Abroad	
2.	Agnihotry , Suhasini (Dr.) (Mrs.)	Abroad	27.	Mathur , Sartaj Swarup (Prof.)	
3.	Agrawal , Arun Kumar, (Dr.)		28.	Mitra , Ved (Dr.)	
4.	Ali , Sultana Zulfiqar (Dr.) (Mrs.)		29.	Poddar , Hari Nandan Prasad	
5.	Bahadur , Kanwar (Dr.)		30.	Raja Gopal , Erode Subrabanian (Dr.)	
6.	Balakrishnan , K Saraswathi (Dr. Mrs.)		31.	Ram Prasad	
7.	Batra , Virendra Kumar (Dr.)		32.	Rathore , Hazara Singh	Abroad
8.	Chandra , Kailash (Dr.)		33.	Reddy , Borra Madhava (Dr.)	
9.	Chhibber , Mohinder Kumar		34.	Sarkar , Ajit Kumar (Dr.)	
10.	Chitnis , Vijay Trimbak (Dr.)		35.	Sarma , Kuchibhatla Subrahmanya	Abroad
11.	Das Gupta , Mrinal Kanti		36.	Seth , Roshan Lal (Dr.)	
12.	Datta , Kali Kirshan		37.	Shah , Vilaschandra Vithaldas (Dr.)	
13.	Dutta , Hirday Nath (Dr.)		38.	Sharma , Chhatra Pal (Dr.)	
14.	Gupta , Akhilesh Chandra		39.	Sharma , Jai Krishan Narain (Dr.)	
15.	Gupta , Ashok Kumar (Dr.)		40.	Sharma , Surinder Dutt (Dr.)	
16.	Gupta , Suresh Kumar (Dr.)		41.	Singal , Sagar Pal (Dr.)	
17.	Inder Bhan		42.	Soni , Jai Bhagwan	
18.	Jain , Suresh Chand (Prof.)		43.	Srinivasan , Thirumalai Mappur (Dr.)	
19.	Joshi , Kundal Chandra (Dr.)	Abroad	44.	Srivastava , Navin Kumar	
20.	Kasturi Lal		45.	Taneja , Pran Nath	
21.	Kaul , Niranjan Nath		46.	Tewari , Shiva Gopal	Abroad
22.	Khandekar , Ramakrishna Sitaram		47.	Trehan , Jagdish Chander (Dr.)	
23.	Khanna , Radhey Kishen		48.	Uppal , Gian Singh (Dr.)	
24.	Kohli , Nand Kishore		49.	Varma , Satya Prakash (Dr.)	
25.	Lal , Krishan (Dr.)		50.	Verma , Tribhawan	

1. Welcome by the President of the Forum: Dr. Bindal welcomed the members to the meeting. He said that after the issue of the notice for this meeting, it was learnt that Dr. Ajit Ram Verma who had to be honoured as the Senior-most Member of the 80-Plus Club had expired on 4th March 2009, and accordingly it was decided not to celebrate it as the Holi Milan Meeting by Gulal Tilak as had been notified. To pay homage to Dr. Verma, we shall start the meeting by passing a condolence resolution on his demise.

Before reading the condolence Resolution on the demise of Dr. Verma Shri G K Arora recounted that Dr. Verma regarded the Forum as his own family which was best expressed in the following Message which he had sent to Dr. Bindal on completion of the first year of the formation of the Forum and which had been published in the First Issue of the Forum's Newsletter dated January 2004:

"I am happy to be a member of the family of NPL Former Scientists Forum. As in actual life, once a member of a particular family, always a member of the family, so it is, I feel with the NPL Family. I am glad the members of this family, who may have moved to different locations after retirement, have now a forum to meet each other and share the joys and sorrows of each other."

He then read out the Condolence Resolution on the demise of Dr. Verma, where after the Members observed two minutes silence. He, in his capacity as the Secretary of the Forum was advised to send this Resolution to Mrs Sadhna Verma

The Members were also informed about the condolence resolutions that had been passed at the last meeting of the Management Committee held on February 27, 2009, on the demise of Dr. M S Iyengar H/o Dr. (Mrs.) S Z Ali on 16. 10. 2008 and of Dr. T K Saksena on 23. 12. 2008. These Resolutions had been sent to Dr. (Mrs.) S Z Ali and Mrs. Kanak Saksena respectively.

2. Information about the Scholarships & Awards for the Grand Children of the Members of the Forum: Dr. Bindal said that the Forum had a number of Awards which had been instituted for the benefit of the children of the NPL staff members as also of the grand children of the Members of the Forum. The Awards were given by Director, NPL to the children on the basis of their merit on the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee of which Director, NPL is also the Chairman, and is presently represented by Dr. Anil Kumar Gupta on this Committee. However, perhaps on account of lack of communication to the members of the Forum, there was no applicant for any of the Awards from among the Grand-children of the members of the Forum for the year 2008. He requested Shri V P Wasan, the Convener of the Scholarship Committee to present the highlights of these Awards.

Shri Wasan gave a Power-Point presentation informing the members about the procedure for applying for the following Awards by the Members of the Forum:

VINA JAIN MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in Physics in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by: Dr. P.C. Jain, Ex Scientist, NPL, in memory of his wife Mrs Vina Jain will be awarded to one child, Amount: Rs 1000/- (one time).

SAROJ WASAN MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in English in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by: Mr. V. P. Wasan, retired Scientist, NPL, in memory of his wife Mrs. Saroj Wasan will be awarded to a girl child, Amount: Rs 1000/- (one time).

SAVITRI DEVI MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in Maths in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by: Sh. J. N. Chaudhary retired Administrative Officer, NPL, in memory of his wife, Mrs. Savitri Devi will be awarded to one child, Amount: Rs 1000/- (one time).

M.R. VERMA MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in Chemistry in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by: Smt. Sushila Verma in memory of her husband Sh. M.R Verma, retired Scientist NPL will be awarded to one child, Amount: Rs 1000/- (one time).

C.R. YADAV MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in Phy. Chem. & Bio. in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by Sh. Balraj Singh, AO NPL, in memory of his father Sh.C.R. Yadav will be awarded to one child, Amount: Rs 1000/- (one time).

L.S. GUPTA MEMORIAL AWARD (For highest marks in Phy. Chem. Math. in XII CBSE, among applicants) Initiated by: Dr. A.K. Gupta, Sc. G, NPL in memory of his father Sh. L.S. Gupta NPL. will be awarded to one child, Amount: Rs. 1000/- (one time).

Members were requested to spread this information to other members of the Forum also, who were unable to attend this meeting. The photographs of the Scholarship and Awards function of the Forum where the children of NPL staff members were given away the certificates and monetary awards on 25th September 2008 by Dr. Vikram Kumar were also projected on the screen.

Before proceeding to the next item on the Agenda Dr. Bindal said that since the **Forum is now a Registered Body, its accounts are required to be audited by a Chartered Accountant.** He mentioned that it would be nice if some Member of the Forum could arrange for the services of a Chartered Accountant on honorary basis. Suggestions in this regard could be passed on either to the Secretary or the Treasurer of the Forum.

3. Inauguration of the 80-Plus Club of the Forum by Dr. Vikram Kumar, Director, NPL, and honouring Members who have already attained the age of 80-Plus, by presenting to them the Mementos of the Forum, 80-Plus Club Certificates and the Citations: Before proceeding with this item on the Agenda, Dr. Bindal spoke about the significance of the age of 80 years, and expressed his happiness that the Forum was privileged with the advice and wisdom of a number of members who had already attained this age, as also those who will be attaining this age in years to come, and become members of this Club.

He said that it is also customary to welcome the New Members who had joined the Forum since its last meeting held on 27. 10. 2008, and advised the Secretary to read out their names requesting them to stand up for other members to see them as their names were read out. Shri Arora informed that the Eight New Members added to the Forum were Shri N K Srivastava, Dr. G S Uppal, Dr. S K Agarwal, Dr. Mukesh Chandra, Shri H N P Poddar, Dr. S D Sharma, Shri M K Chhibber and Dr. R K Sharma. They were welcomed with the customary clapping of hands.

4. Address by Dr. Vikram Kumar, Director, NPL: Dr. Vikram Kumar said that he was very happy to inaugurate the 80-Plus Club of the Forum. Even the Government of India had given due recognition to the age of 80 years as per the recommendations of the Sixth Central Pay Commission. He was also happy to note that the Forum was getting stronger day by day with more and more members getting retired from NPL and enrolling as Members of the Forum.

Shri Arora informed that Shri K S Sarma who had settled in USA and Dr. T M Srinivasan who had settled in Chennai were unable to be present. Prof S C Jain was also presently in UK to attend a family function. Further Dr. (Mrs.) S Z Ali, Dr. Kanwar Bahadur, Shri N N Kaul and Shri K K Datta had also expressed their inability to attend the function.

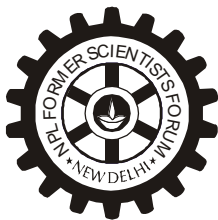
Dr. Vikram Kumar Presented the 80-Plus Certificates, the Citations and the Mementoes to the eight Members of the 80-Plus Club by turn as Shri G K Arora read out the citations of Shri Dev Kumar, Shri S N Segal, Shri Shiv Nath, Dr. S R Das, Shri S C Vasishth, Shri S K Suri, Shri M K Balchandani, and Shri J N Ojha , This was supplemented by a Power-Point presentation also by Shri Arora of all the Members of the Club including those who could not be present at the meeting.

The Members of the 80-Plus Club were also given copies of the Diamond Jubilee Volume of NPL. Shri Arora also briefly presented the guidelines that had been approved by the Management Committee of the Forum at its meeting held on 27. 02. 2009, for collecting information about all the Members of the Forum which could be helpful also for attempting compilation of any other document of historical significance on NPL.

5. Hosting of the Meeting: The meeting had been hosted through the generous contributions made by Dr. V R Singh (Rs. 1,500/-), Dr. S N Singh (Rs. 1,000/-), Dr. S K Gupta (Rs. 1,000/-), Dr. P C Kothari (Rs. 2,100/-) and Dr. V T Chitnis (Rs. 1000/-). In additions the other voluntary contributions received at the time of the meeting were from Shri Shiv Nath (Rs. 500/-), Shri T R Tomer (Rs. 500/-); Dr. Ram Swarup (Rs. 2,001/-), Shri Inder Bhan (Rs. 500/-) and Shri Dev Kumar (Rs. 200/-)..

Dr. V N Bindal expressed his thanks to the members for their generous contributions and was very happy at this voluntary financial support to the Forum for meeting the various expenses which the meager life-time membership fee of Rs. 700/- cannot be sufficient.

6. Vote of Thanks: Shri G K Arora thanked Dr. Vikram Kumar for his continuing encouragement to the Forum in its various activities and for readily accepting our invitation to spare time for this meeting also from his busy schedule.



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Subject: Nineteenth Meeting of the Forum on Monday, **March 16, 2009 at 10.30. A.M. in the TEC Conference Room, NPL – ‘HOLI MILAN’ MEETING**

Dear

It has been a practice to hold meetings of the Forum around HOLI. It has been decided to have the ‘HOLI MILAN’ Meeting of the Forum on Monday, **March 16, 2009 at 10.30. A.M. in the TEC Conference Room, NPL**, after the members are through with the celebrations of Id-ul-Milad and Holi on 10th and of Dhulendi on 11th March., and to greet them with the usual “GULAL” Tilak at this meeting..

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the President of the Forum
2. Information about the Scholarships & Awards for the Grand Children of the Members of the Forum
3. Inauguration of the 80-Plus Club of the Forum by **Dr. Vikram Kumar, Director, NPL**, and honouring 16 of our Members listed below, who have already attained the age of 80-Plus, by presenting to them the Mementos of the Forum, 80-Plus Club Certificates and the Citations.
4. Address by Dr. Vikram Kumar, Director, NPL

Sr.No.	Name	Date of Birth
1.	Dr. Ajit Ram Verma	20. 09. 1921
2.	Shri Dev Kumar	25. 04. 1922
3.	Dr. (Mrs) Sultana Zulfiqar Ali	19. 08. 1922
4.	Shri Swami Nath Segal	06. 03. 1923
5.	Dr. Kanwar Bahadur	13. 04. 1925
6.	Shri Shiv Nath	14. 04. 1925
7.	Dr. Satya Ranjan Das	01. 06. 1926
8.	Shri Kuchibhatla Subrahmanya Sarma	05. 06. 1926
9.	Shri Satish Chandra Vasishth	21. 10. 1926
10.	Prof. Suresh Chand Jain	05. 12. 1926
11.	Shri Sital Kumar Suri	24. 03. 1927
12.	Shri Mulchand Kewalram Balchandani	07. 04. 1928
13.	Dr. Thirumalai Mappur Srinivasan	09. 05. 1928
14.	Shri Niranjana Nath Kaul	27. 06. 1928
15.	Shri Jai Narain Ojha	16. 07. 1928
16.	Shri Kali Kirshan Dutta	13. 11. 1928

The Members of the 80-Plus Club are specially invited to this meeting along with their Spouses/ Escorts.

As per the past practice and tradition, members are welcome to make **voluntary contributions** for meeting expenditure on **Tea & Refreshment** to be served after the meeting

To ensure proper planning, kindly **acknowledge the receipt** of this notice by **e-mail/ Telephone** and **confirm your participation** in the Meeting.

Yours Sincerely,
G K Arora