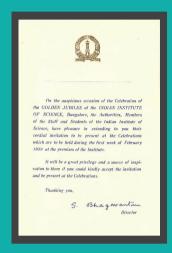


Three Milestones: Looking Back at the Golden, Platinum and Centenary Celebrations



Invitation from S Bhagavantam, the former Director of the Institute.



Prince Philip, Rajendra Prasad, JRD Tata and the Governor of Myso

The former President, Rajendra Prasad, wished the Institute a brighter future not only in the interest of science but also for the prosperity and happiness of the nation and world at large.



e Governor of Mysore addressing the gathering

While addressing the gathering, the Governor of Mysore said, "In the cause of the furtherance of scientific knowledge and in our urgent task of employing and extending the resources of science for industrial and technological development, the Institute will be called upon to make increasing contributions and I am confident that it will be equal to the responsibility."

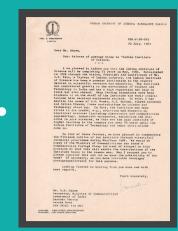
On the next day, he inaugurated IISc's new wind tunnel. (Germany and France were the only other countries with wind tunnels at

Marking 50 Years of IISc

Deccan Herald reported: "Nehru, in his address, observed that efforts should be made to make science a unifying force in India. He suggested that Institutes like IISc should take the initiative in disseminating scientific knowledge to various research institutes, laboratories and universities."



S Bhagavantam and the former Prir



A letter from the former Director, S Ramaseshan, requesting the government to issue stamps on IISc as part of the celebrations. Unfortunately, the commemorative stamps didn't see the light of day that year – there had been an increase in the number of proposals for new stamps, but the government brought out only a few of them.

IISc turns 75: Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

In his inaugural speech,
Venkataraman said, "The
Indian Institute of Science has
always been a shining beacon
for those seeking knowledge
in science and engineering in
the country. Initially, it was the
only beacon. In Independent
India, there are more such
beacons; but the beacon of
the Indian Institute of Science
continues to shine
undiminished, inspiring and
encouraging hundreds of
brilliant minds set firmly on
the road to scientific
knowledge and wisdom."



rmer Vice-President, R Venkataraman was invited as the ief guest. CNR Rao, who was the Director at the time, an



IRD Tota and CNR Rao at the inauguration of the 14-c

Celebrating 100 Years



On 16 November 2008, the students, staff and faculty created a human formation of the IISc emblem.



On 13 December 2008, the IISc Alumni, Bangalore Chapter participated in the 'Science and Technology Run'.





The Country's Leaders at IISc



To celebrate 100 years of the Institute, the then-Vice President Mohammad Hamid Ansari released commemorative stamps in honour of its

Central to the celebrations was the Centenary Conference, held from December 13 to 16, highlighting IISc's contributions to fundamental and applied scientific research, and its current and future





The year-long celebrations came to an end in May 2009. Pratibha Patil, then India's President, re-dedicated the Institute to the nation.