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REPORT

The 9th National conference on Thermodynamics of Chemical, Biological, Environmental and Non-conventional Energy Systems (TCBNES - 2014), under the auspices of The Indian Thermodynamics Society was organized on 17th and 18th October, 2014, at the Department of Chemistry, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar. The programme schedule showing the actual proceedings is attached herewith as Annexure - I. The conference began with registration followed by Inaugural Session. Prof. Dr. Harish Padh, Honorable Vice Chancellor, Sardar Patel University presided over the function. The session began with a prayer sung by the students of the department. Prof. Dr. N. V. Sastry, the convener of TCBNES - 2014 welcomed the delegates that include the resource persons and also invited guests. A panoramic view of the topics to be covered and possible issues to be discussed was given. Prof. Dr. D. I. Brahmbhatt, chairman of the conference, introduced the dignitaries on the dias that includes Prof. Dr. T. S. Banipal, Secretary, The Indian Thermodynamics Society besides the honorable Vice Chancellor. The proceedings of the conference were declared open by lighting of lamp and unveiling the book of abstracts.

Prof. Dr. T. S. Banipal mentioned in his speech about The Indian Thermodynamics Society and its continued efforts to organize the mega events of national conferences such as this on an annual basis. He also stressed and welcomed the young delegates for joining the society as active members and contribute to its activities to build a strong and active interdisciplinary research group in the area of thermodynamics of complex systems.

Prof. Dr. D V S Jain, President, The Indian Thermodynamics Society, the chief guest of the inaugural function, could not remain present for unavoidable personal reasons. However, he sent a written message to the delegates as attached ($\underline{Annexure-II}$). This message was read by Prof. Dr. Surjeet Singh, one of his first Ph.D. students. Prof. Jain wished the delegates an academically successful conference.

Prof. Dr. Harish Padh gave his presidential remarks. He has appreciated the efforts of the Department of Chemistry in taking of the challenging job of hosting the 9th national conference. He emphasized that the topic of thermodynamics is an essential link between multidisciplinary areas that are

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