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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The upgradation of Aditya tokamak from limiter configuration to divertor configuration tokamak is being carried out presently. It includes installation of many new subsystems such as poloidal magnetic field coils for diverter operation; a bakeable ultra-high vacuum vessel with a circular cross section instead of rectangular cross-section which was available before; a new bucking cylinder and with refurbishment of all existing toroidal magnetic coils to the maximum current. Power testing has been done successfully on all the installed sub systems, while the installation of vacuum pumps and diagnostic systems is in progress

In the Superconducting Steady-state Tokamak-1 (SST-1) the 1st phase of up-gradation with successful installation and integration of all its First Wall components has been completed. Repeatable ohmic discharges regimes having plasma currents in excess of 100 kA (qa~2.8, BT=1.5 T) with line averaged densities ~  $0.8 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$  and temperatures ~ 200 eV with copious Magneto-Hydro Dynamics (MHD) signatures have been experimentally established. The next step will be further elongation of the plasma duration up to one second with position and density feedback as well as coupling of Lower Hybrid waves. The diagnostic systems are also being improved, with the addition of new diagnostics as well increasing the numbers of channels in existing diagnostics. After the installation of a new grill antenna for Lower Hybrid Current Drive (LHCD) systems, power has been successfully launched into the machine and preliminary results have been obtained

Various technologies required to realize fusion power are being indigenously developed under different heads. For the development of superconducting magnet technology, a dedicated facility has been established towards fabrication of fusion relevant long length cable-in-conduit-conductors of NbTi & Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn with industry associates. Efforts are being continued in developing materials & fabrication technologies for Plasma Facing Components (PFCs), non-destructive evaluation/testing and high heat flux testing of PFCs and establishing/improving new test facilities. After successful demonstration of a prototype pellet injector in the laboratory, a single barrel pellet injector has been designed, fabricated and integrated with SST-1 tokamak. To deliver the Indian Lead Lithium Ceramic Breeder (LLCB) blanket and its associated ancillary systems to ITER project, many small experiments have been set up. The results from these experiments are being incorporated into the design of the deliverables. A Virtual and Augmented Reality Integrated Development lab (VARID-lab) is being set up. For human resource development through a doctoral programme and for future technological developments, many small-scale experimental systems have been setup and are being utilized to their full potential. A robust programme continues in theory & simulation to better understand the underlying science in these experiments. This closely-connected programme of theory, simulation & experiment has also helped generate ideas for future experiments. A 35 Teraflop high performance computing facility, including some GPU-based servers, is in place to facilitate computational work.

The Facilitation Centre for Industrial Plasma Technology (FCIPT) continues to develop plasma technologies as well as facilitate the transfer of these technologies to industry, and for societal benefit. The projects cover various areas such as bio-medics, green power, textiles, waste management, nano-technology etc.

For ITER-India, most of the procurement packages have progressed into the factory testing phase, while some components have already been delivered to the ITER site. Manufacturing and factory testing are being done following international quality assurance and control standards, as is necessary for the ITER project. Various other R&D activities necessary are also being undertaken at the ITER-India laboratory in the IPR campus, and these sub-systems/components will be transferred to the construction site after due approval.

At the Centre of Plasma Physics, Guwahati, the commissioning of the CPP-IPR Magnetized Plasma Experiment for Plasma Surface Interaction (CIMPLE-PSI) has been successfully completed. The objective is to re-create ITER Divertor-like plasma with extreme hot ion flux, to be used for plasma material interaction experiments. Theory and simulation works in the centre are catering to other experimental activities at CPP-IPR.

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Since 1986 the institute has been involved in plasma physics research with fast growing facilities, trained man power and many fruitful national and international collaborations. Starting with small tokamak experiments and basic plasma experiments, the institute has been acquiring expertise in all the relevant scientific and technological requirements for controlled thermonuclear fusion. Through the participation of the country in the ITER project, technologies developed in the institute are being tested in the international arena. The activities of the Fusion Technology Development Programme under the past and current Five Year Plans are making good progress. Also the Center of Plasma Physics, Guwahati, has been well integrated with the programmes of the institute. The Facilitation Center for Industrial Plasma Technology (FCIPT) continues to make good progress with its mandate of plasma technology dissemination to industry & institutions.

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# CHAPTER A

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#### A.1 Fusion Plasma Experiments

There are two existing facilities in the institute to do experiments related to fusion plasma, namely Aditya tokamak and Superconducting Steadystate Tokamak-I (SST-I). In this section the status of the device, new developments and details about the experiments done are given.

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#### A.1.1 Aditya Tokamak

#### A.1.1.1 Upgrade and Status of the Device

The up-gradation of Aditya tokamak from limiter configuration to diverter configuration tokamak has been carried out this year. It includes installation of many new subsystems such as poloidal magnetic field coils for diverter operation, a bakeable ultra-high vacuum vessel with a circular cross section, bucking cylinder along with refurbishment of existing toroidal magnetic coils. The scientific objectives of Aditya tokamak Upgrade include low loop voltage plasma start-up

Aditya is the first indigenously built tokamak in the country and is operational since 1989. It has produced more than 100 internationally reputed journal publications and 9 Ph.D. theses.

with strong pre-ionization and having a good plasma control system. The same toroidal magnetic field coils and associated structure of the existing machine were used. The circular cross-section vacuum vessel enabled to accommodate the new set of poloidal magnetic field coils (diverter coils) for plasma shaping. The new vacuum vessel is made up of stainless steel 304L which can be baked up to 150° C and a base

pressure  $\sim 10^{-10}$  Torr has been achieved in the test stands. The major steps in upgradation are described below.

**Dis-assembly of existing machine**: The Aditya tokamak has been dismantled up to base level is shown in Figure. A.1.1.1. It involved removal of various sub-systems viz., Diagnostic systems and pumping lines, top cooling water header and cooling connections, toroidal field (TF) coils, central transformer (TR) coils and vertical field (BV) coils systems with all their bus bar connections and their support structures, rectangular cross-section shaped vacuum vessel and its supports etc. The physical positions (radial, height and angular) of all magnetic field coils were recorded with Theodolite system before they dis-assembled and height measurement of all poloidal field coils (TR & BV) were transferred on a



Figure A.1.1.1. Dis-assembly of Aditya Tokamak



Figure A.1.1.2. The photographs of damaged finger joints of Toroidal magnetic field coils

fixed reference with water level. The entire dis-assembly task was completed within 59 working days with ECDS measurements and marking of each and every components.

Refurbishment of damaged TF coils & outer body insulation of all magnetic field coils: During the dis-assembly of Toroidal magnetic field (TF) coils, it was realised that some of the TF coils as shown were damaged (as shown in Figure A.1.1.2). The copper material have been melted and eroded mainly at the edges of fingers joints of small -C and big C of TF coils especially in the middle fingers. These damaged coils were refurbished using in-house techniques. Then they were assembled one by one on Test Stand by joining both C's sections and the electrical parameter testing (Resistance and Inductance) of these coils have been carried out. The measured values of all coils were within satisfactory limits and were in good condition to be reused again. One of the possible reason of these damages is that the TF coils finger joints fasteners are impossible to tighten in presence of guiding wedge block, while machine is fully assembled. During disassembly of TF coils, it was found that many of the finger joint fasteners of TF coil were completely loosen and did not require even spanner to open. Henceforth to avoid this, all 20 nos. of TF coils finger joint fasteners has been tightened with Nord-Lock washers. The outer body insulation of TF, TR and BV coils with its busbar connections has been successfully completed before they are assembled on the machine. The TF, TR, BV, main diverter, auxiliary diverter and FFB coils insulation has been tested by applying meggar voltages and found satisfactory.

Vacuum Vessel and related activities: One of the important modification in the upgradation of Aditya tokamak is the replacement of the rectangular cross section vacuum vessel by circular cross section with vessel baking facility. as shown in the figure A.1.1.3. The cross section of vessel has been designed as circular to accommodate eight vertical field coils including main divertor coils (4 Nos.), Auxiliary Divertor Coils (2 Nos.), Fast feedback coils (2 Nos.) in the available space between circular vessel and toroidal field coils. The new toroidal vacuum vessel has been designed with two semi-tori having electrical isolation at two junctions. The major radius (0.75 m) and minor radius (0.25 m) has been kept same as of old torus. In order to accommodate as many numbers of diagnostics as possible, the vessel has been designed to have 112 port openings (including four Tangential Ports) compared to 48 ports of the old vessel. The shell formation and fabrication for torus, leak proof, UHV condition, precise dimensions and lots of weld and demountable joints in the new vessel had made the fabrication job very challenging. It has been precisely fabricated as per IPR design by a vendor under the supervision of IPR scientists. The final acceptance tests have been carried out at IPR premise successfully as results of local helium leak rate  $< 5 \times 10^{-10}$  mbar.l/s and global leak rate < 5 X10<sup>-8</sup> mbar.l/s, UHV test as vacuum achieved less than 9 X 10<sup>-10</sup> mbar in the vessel, vessel baking  $\sim$  150° C for 100 Hrs. After external testing, the vessel has been installed and assembled successfully. After Installation the vessel has been tested for leak proof assembled as  $< 1 \text{ X} 10^{-9} \text{ mbar.l/s}$  and electrical isolation > 5 KV between two semi torus.

Integrated power testing of Aditya Upgrade tokamak: The re-assembly of Aditya Upgrade tokamak has been successfully completed (please refer figure A.1.1.4). The coils are accurately positioned within an accuracy of +/-2 mm using ECDS. The busbar connections of all the coils (new and old) are assembled and clamped with proper supports. After connecting the cooling circuits, the cooling connections were tested with demineralized water at 1.5 kg/cm<sup>2</sup> inlet pressure. The TF, TR and BV coils are successfully charged during integrated power testing. The TF coil assembly has been tested  $\sim 1.5$  Tesla, The Ohmic coil assembly has been tested  $\sim 12.5$ kA (Loop Voltage  $\sim 20$  V), The Vertical coil assembly has been tested ~ 3 kA. The TF coils displacement, fault current monitoring and magnetic field measurements were carried out during current charging. The movement of outer vertical leg of TF coils was recorded below 0.2 mm at full TF current. There was no fault current observed during the test. All the CTC conductor based coils (main Diverter coils, Aux. Diverter coils, outer diverter coils, FFB coils and single turn correction coils) are successfully heated up to 120° C for insulation curing purpose.

#### Development of Electronics systems for Aditya upgrade:

Plasma current of as high as 160 kA and temperature well above 5 million degrees were obtained for almost quarter of a second with 1.26 Tesla of toroidal magnetic field. After 25 years of operation, it has gone through a major upgrade and is expected to be operational soon Up gradation and retrofitting of Electronics and Instrumentation for Aditya upgrade include, design and modification in diagnostic electronics, induction of programmable logic controllers for vacuum control, design of electronics for APPS control signal and 64 channel in-house developed Data acquisition board. Apart from the electronics for many diagnostics has been redesigned for better performance.with latest available components and technology. Procurement for PCB fabrication, EMC/EMI protected Racks & Chassis, Components, Connectors and power supplies are in process.

#### A.1.1.2 Heating Systems

**Lower Hybrid Current Drive (LHCD)**: The upgradation of Aditya tokamak provides an opportunity to upgrade lower hybrid current drive (LHCD) system also which can drive plasma current non-inductively and enhance the coupling of RF power to the plasma. It is proposed to replace existing grill antenna by a new type of antenna which is often referred to as passive active multi-junction (PAM) antenna. The existing high power klystron based radio frequency source (3.7 GHz, 500 kW CW) would be used to power the new PAM antenna. The PAM antenna has an advantage of providing efficient rf coupling to the plasma, even at edge densities close to cut-off. Further it provides a lower reflection from the plasma as compared to the conventional grill antenna. The design of various rf components at 3.7 GHz. have been undertaken.



Figure A.1.1.3. Circular crossection vacuum vessel in the test stand at the institute

Figure A.1.1. 4. Re-assembly of Aditya Upgrade Tokamak in the advanced stage

## A.1.2 Superconducting Steady-state Tokamak (SST-1)

#### A.1.2.1 Status of the Device and Experimental Results

This experiment has made significant progress both on enhancing the parameter space of operations as well as up-gradations of its core sub-systems. SST-1 completed the 1st phase of up-gradation with successful installation and integration of all its First Wall components. The First Wall comprises of ~ 4500 high heat flux compatible graphite tiles being assembled and installed on 130 CuCrZr heat sink back plates engraved with ~ 4 km of leak tight baking and cooling channels in five major sub groups equipped with ~ 400 sensors and weighing ~ 6000 kg in total in thirteen isolated galvanic and six isolated hydraulic circuits. The phase-1 up-gradation also included addition of Supersonic Molecular Beam Injection

(SMBI) both on the in-board and out-board side, installation of fast reciprocating probes, adding some edge plasma probe diagnostics in the SOL (Scrape Off Layer) region, installation and integration of segmented and up-down symmetric radial coils aiding/controlling plasma rotations, introduction of plasma position feedback and density controls etc. Post phase-I up-gradation, a robust First Wall baking system assisted with hot Nitrogen and capable of baking the plasma facing components in excess of 300°C over long duration has been established. In order to make the SST-1 Poloidal Field (PF) Magnets superconducting, an elaborate modification in the 'integrated flow distribution system' to various similar groups of hydraulic paths of the superconducting magnets system have also been carried out. After initial engineering validations of the up-graded SST-1 that included establishment of 10<sup>-8</sup> mbar order vacuum inside the vacuum vessel and helium based 'glow discharge cleaning;'. Initial plasma

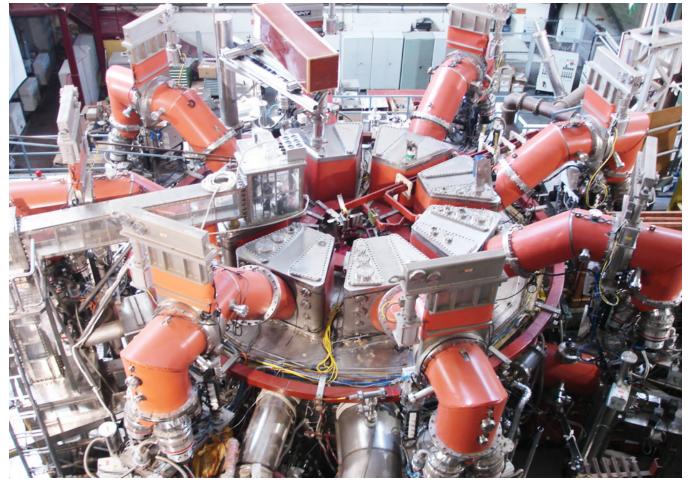
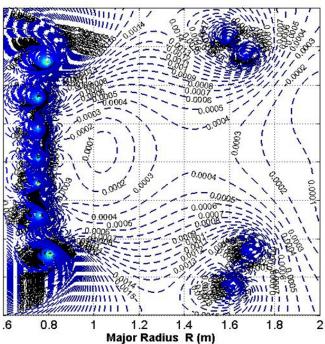


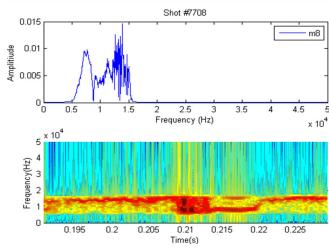
Figure A.1.2.1.1 Refurbised Steady State Superconducting Tokamak (Top View)



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Figure A.1.2.1.2 Constant Flux contours of SST-1

SST-1 is a medium size superconducting tokamak, which has been designed and built to study the physics of the plasma processes in tokamak under steady-state conditions.



experiments in up-graded SST-1 have begun since August 2015. The first experiments in SST-1 have revealed interesting aspects on the 'eddy currents in the First Wall support structures' influencing the 'magnetic Null evolution dynamics' and the subsequent plasma start-up characteristics after

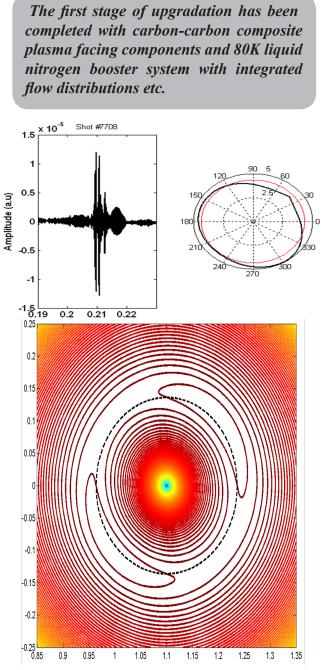


Figure A.1.2.1.3MHD characteristics in SST-1 Plasma shots

the ECH pre-ionization, the influence of the first walls on the 'field errors' and the resulting locked modes observed, the magnetic index influencing the evolution of the equilibrium of the plasma column, low density supra-thermal electron induced discharges and normal ohmic discharges etc. Presently, repeatable ohmic discharges having plasma currents in excess of 100 kA (qa~2.8, BT=1.5 T) with a current ramp rates ~ 1.2 MA/s over a duration of ~ 500 ms with line averaged densities ~ 0.8 X 10<sup>19</sup> m<sup>-3</sup> and temperatures ~ 200 eV with copious MHD signatures have been experimentally established. Further elongation of the plasma duration up to one second or more with position and density feedback as well as coupling of Lower Hybrid waves are currently being pursued in SST-1 apart from increasing the core plasma parameters with further optimizations and with wall conditioning.

#### A.1.2.2 Diagnostic Developments

*Soft x-ray diagnostics:* This diagnostics based on foil ratio intensity measurement is used to measure Electron temperature (Te) of hot core tokamak Plasma. In SST1 this diagnostic is used with some design modification to measure the first Te at lower plasma density although the modification reduces the accuracy to some extent. The chord averaged electron temperature measured for SST1 plasma varies from 90 to 230 eV for different shots for plasma current Ip ~40kA to 75kA.

*Lanthanum-Bromide detector Spectrometer*: LaBr based Hard x-ray spectrometer was installed and the measured spectrum from SST1 shows maximum runaway flux during discharge emitted in the range of 150-200 keV.

High energy beam erosion on material study in SST1: Some high energy beam interaction or sputtering on surface of sxr detector chamber is observed. The energy of beam and depth of erosion is measured. The beam energy calculated for the depthof 12-15µm was around 6-8kev. Further study is going on.

Infrared Thermography (IRT) of Plasma Facing Components: Infrared Thermography of Plasma Facing Components (PFCs, namely Limiter, Diverter, stabilizer plates etc.) is one of the most essential tools to investigate plasma-surface interaction and to estimate power loss through this interaction. The information obtained through this diagnostic is useful for machine protection, plasma control and for physics studies.

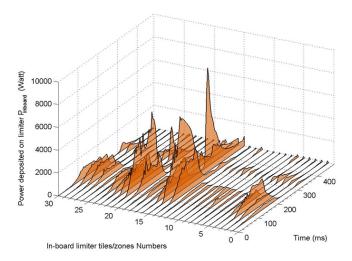


Figure A.1.2.2.1 Temporal Evolution of power deposited on inboard limiter tiles/zones

During the reporting year, statistical analysis of plasma discharges were carried out for experimental campaign – VII to XI and typical power loss through limiter plasma interaction was estimated as shown in figure. The information was also useful for machine protection, plasma operation & control point of view as well as for physics studies. Statistical analysis showed typical power loss due to limiter-plasma interactions and the results can be useful for power balance studies.

Tangential viewing IRVB system installed on the SST-1 Tokamak: Different R & D activities related to the up-gradation of the IRVB system for the SST-1 tokamak were carried out during the reporting period that also includes modifications, re-installation of the system after up gradation of SST-1 machine with First Wall components and maintenance of the diagnostic etc. Operations of the IRVB system installed on the SST-1 Tokamak for different experimental campaigns held during the reporting period and data analysis were performed. Modifications in the signal estimation model (synthetic diagnostic) and data analysis scheme were made. A detailed report has been prepared and submitted for review). In addition, FEM simulation work has been performed to validate all numerical schemes used for the data analysis with simulated results. A good agreement have been found between input FEM power profile and re-generate power profile with numerical schemes that we are using for the IRVB data analysis .

Infra Red Video Bolometer (IRVB) System: This IRVB

diagnostic system installed on the SST-1 tokamak has provided its first results at very low signal level emission. This achievement shows that the design of the system was made efficiently to detect low signal levels. The expected signal level in the SST-1 tokamak is found to be very small, that imposed challenges in designing the diagnostic and to overcome other sources of noise. In addition, we found reasonably good agreement between the modeled IRVB radiation pattern and experimental radiation pattern.

Detection of synchrotron radiation emitted by "Runaway Electrons" using IR-Camera: "Runaway Electrons" (REs)

While a lot of experiences have been gained through operating various diagnostics for Aditya tokamak, translating those experiences to a steady state machine like SST-1 is very challenging. Those challenges have given many more valuable experiences to the scientists working here.

are produced inside the tokamaks during different phases of a plasma discharges based on experimental conditions and plasma parameters. These REs are high energetic electrons typically in mega electron volts (MeVs). Experimental observations and detection of Runaway Electrons (REs) is very important for many reasons namely physics studies, machine protection and plasma control for mitigation of RE generation. Several active and passive diagnostic methods are available for the detection of confined and de-confined REs. One of the establish method is HXR monitor. However, this method is indirect and estimation of REs confined current is difficult and requires certain assumptions. Another interesting and quite establish method is detection of synchrotron radiation (which typically fall in infrared range/visible range) emitted by REs when they are still confined inside the plasma column. Infrared Camera can detect forward synchrotron emission from REs, if the camera is configured in electron approach tangential viewing direction. The diagnostic was deployed in SST-1 to during the reporting period.

*Charge Exchange Neutral Particle Analyzer (CX-NPA):* The diagnostics aims to measure the core ion temperature of plasma in Aditya as well as in SST-1 based on its passive mode of operation. It uses retarding electrostatic field to separate the energy components of the CX- neutrals (ionized after its exit from stripping cell) escaping from plasma. The diagnostics has been operation during recent SST-1 campaigns.

#### A.1.2.3 Heating and Current Drive Systems

#### **Electron Cyclotron Resonance Heating (ECRH) System:** The 42GHz/500kW Electron Cyclotron Resonance Heating (ECRH) system has emerged as a main system for SST-1 tokamak and extensively used to start-up the tokamak. The ECRH launcher has been modified successfully to accommodate the 42GHz and 82.6GHz systems along with hard X-ray diagnostics. The system is successfully commissioned on tokamak and high power test are carried out up to 325kW power with new launcher. After the refurbishment of SST-1 with all in vessel components, the 42GHz-500kW ECRH system has been used as a routine system for SST-1 tokamak start-up. The SST1 is operated to 1.5T operation and ECRH power (200kW to 250kW) in fundamental O-mode is launched from low field side of tokamak. The power is launched around 10ms before the loop voltage. The pulse duration is varied from 100ms to 200ms. The consistent breakdown assisted with ECRH is achieved in SST1 tokamak with longer shots with plasma current more than 100 kA. The PXI based DAC system has been procured and delivered and commissioned at IPR. The system has been tested successfully with real field signal. The GUI with required software is developed in lab-view. The system would be integrated with ECRH system for SST-1 operation.

**Lower Hybrid Current Drive (LHCD) System:** The newly fabricated SS grill antenna has been tested and has been installed on the machine. The joints of the grill antenna, vacuum window and in-vessel module are made and joints sealing is tested for UHV compatibility. Thermocouples are installed at several locations near the sealing joints of the grill antenna to monitor the temperatures when baking of PFC components is carried out. The cooling line connections are made in-situ for the grill antenna and the weld joints are qualified for pressure test as well as for UHV leak test. The photograph of the SS grill in SST1 machine is shown in figure A.1.2.3.1. After successful baking, the LHCD antenna system showed no leaks and confirmed maintenance of UHV



Figure A.1.2.3.1 Stainless Steel Grill Antenna for LHCD launching in SST-1

compatible seal joints. To feed more LH power in the coming campaign, all the rf components in layer-3 and layer-4 are installed and integrated. The inter-connecting waveguides are fabricated and successfully installed so that layer-3 and layer-4 are connected to grill antenna. With the completion of this integration work of layer-3 and layer-4, all the four layers stand fully installed. A photograph of the assembly is shown in figure-A.1.2.3.2. The integration of other two klystrons which would be feeding power to layer-3 and layer-4 is also successfully completed. A photograph showing all the klystrons installed in the high power section is shown in figure-A.1.2.3.3. The parallel operation of multi klystrons system using single regulated high voltage power supply (RHVPS) is carried out. One second operation is successfully carried out using bleeder resistance with all the modules (65 in numbers) connected in the circuit. However this operation is limited to one second only due to power rating of bleeder resistor. Once the operation of klystron with RHVPS is established without bleeder resistor, all the four klystrons are operated in parallel mode with RHVPS simultaneously with rf power dumped in to water cooled dummy loads. From campaign-XIII onwards, the LHCD power has been successfully launched in to the SST1 machine and encouraging results have been obtained. When LHW's are launched, it imparts momentum to energetic electrons and generates supra-thermal electrons which give rise to plasma current and the loop voltage drops. Beyond a threshold value, an instability sets in and due to pitch an-



Figure A.1.2.3.2 The layer-3 and layer-4 components are installed with the inter-connecting waveguides

For SST-1, all the three types of Radio-Frequency based heating and current drive systems ECRH, ICRH and LHCD are operational now.

gle scattering, the toroidally flowing electrons (passing electrons) gets scattered into perpendicular direction and results in loss of current. This leads to increase in loop voltage. The above cycle repeats and explains the spikes observed in loop voltage with LH power.



Figure A.1.2.3.3 A photograph showing all the four klystrons

### A.2 Fusion Technologies Development

Under Continuing five year plans, various technologies related to fusion are being developed under the following heads :

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### A.2.1 Magnet Technology

This programme caters to the development of different magnets which will be used in a fusion machine. A dedicated facility has been established towards fabrication of fusion

Magnet technology is one of the important requirements for the magnetically confined tokamak plasmas. Apart from catering to domestic experiments, this activity is collaborating internationally also for e.g. ELM coil of JET which is a big tokamak at Oxfordshire, UK

relevant long length cable-in-conduit-conductors of NbTi & Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn with industry associates. In this facility nearly 1100 m of long cabling has been completed for the central solenoid magnet of the Steady State Superconducting Tokamak. Intermediate novel superconductor MgB<sub>2</sub> based long lengths of high performance mono-filament and multifilament strands and state-of-the-art superconducting joints have been realized. With these achievements, a number of cryogenics sav-

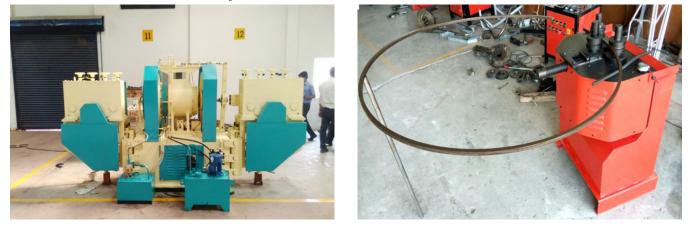
ing applications namely for overloaded current leads and edge localized coils (ELM) in Tokamak applications would be feasible as the operating conditions will be in cold helium gas at 20 K. Indigenous development and validation of solid nitrogen based superconducting short samples characterization facilities has also been achieved. During this period, the high temperature (> 350 °C) compatible insulation resin infusion system for magnets operating at high temperature environments in a Tokamak has also been successfully realized. These insulation systems have been extended towards the 1:1 ELM coils of the Joint European Torus (JET) realization under IPR-UKAEA JET international collaborations successfully. With close collaboration with Indian industries, the winding of ELM magnets for large JET like Tokamak, encasing and vacuum pressure impregnation related processes and technologies have also been successfully developed and validated. These prototype magnets have been experimentally validated in representative operating as well as off-normal conditions.

*Magnet for Gyrotron* : For the first time in the country, Magnet Division has realized the complex high homogeneity superconducting cavity magnet system together with a low loss cryostat and necessary quench protection measures. These magnets have successfully operated for long durations (> 4

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Figure A.2.1 Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn cabling for SST-1 superconducting Central Solenoid



*Figure A.2.2 Jacketing Facilities and trials there in* hours) of gyrotron testing. On the protection of high curthe protection of fusion relevant magnets system in Tokamak.

A.2.2 Divertor & First Wall Technology

This programme deals with research and development of the materials & technologies relevant to Plasma Facing Components (PFCs) viz. Divertors and First-wall Components, for fusion grade tokamaks. Efforts were continued in developing materials & fabrication technologies for PFCs, non-destructive evaluation/testing and high heat flux testing of PFCs and establishing/improving new test facilities. Major activities includes: (a) Integrating and improving new Data Acquisition & Control System (DACS) with all subsystems of High Heat Flux Test Facility (HHFTF), (b) Performing high heat flux testing of tungsten mono-block test mock-ups with uniform and non-uniform heat loads, (c) Performing high heat flux testing and thermal cyclic fatigue testing of tungsten coated



rent carrying high field magnets, a new technology of `hybrid breaker' using parallel IGBTs have been successfully dem-

Figure A.2.3 Test set up for 1.65 T Gyrotron Magnet

copper & SS test mock-ups, (d) Precision cutting of various materials in complex shapes using newly established CNC water-jet cutting machine, (e) Studies on metallic coatings using magnetron sputter-coating system, (f) Establishment of phased-array module for ultrasonic-flaw detection of materials & joints, (g) Developing tungsten coating technology for first-wall application, (h) Developing fabrication technologies for divertor & dome targets, (i) Studies on welding of thick section dissimilar steels for divertor cassette body fabrication technology, (j) Developing new tungsten based materials using powder metallurgy, (k) Small specimen testing technique development for mechanical properties of tungsten materials at elevated temperatures and (l) Engineering (Thermal, Structural, Thermal-Hydraulic, Fluid Flow, Electromagnetic) Finite Element Analysis of ITER-like divertor.

Tungsten Coating Technology Development for First-wall Application: Test mock-ups made of CuCrZr Copper Ally and SS316 Stainless Steel materials having cooling channel are fabricated and subsequently coated with nearly 500micron Pure Tungsten material over 50 X 30mm surface area. Tungsten coating is performed by collaborator - ARCI (Hyderabad). Integrity and uniformity of coatings is checked using Ultrasonic Testing Technique. These tungsten coated test mock-ups are subsequently tested for their thermal cyclic fatigue performance at 500°C surface temperature for 1000 thermal cycles. High Heat Flux Test Facility was used for these tests. Both the test mock-ups could successfully withstand thermal fatigue tests at 500 °C. Additional test mockups using Copper Alloy, Stainless Steel and IN-RAFMS steel are being fabricated by the collaborator. Special test mockups for studies on Hydrogen Permeation through tungsten coatings will also be fabricated.

Data Acquisition and Control System for HHF Test Facility: Integration of DACS with various sub-systems, utilities and diagnostics/sensors of High Heat Flux Test Facility (HHFTF) is completed. Complete operation of HHFTF is performed using newly developed DACS by a private vendor. Major components of DACS system are: Main control & interface; PLC based sequential operation with Safety Interlock; PXI base Real time control loop, fast Acquisition and On line monitoring; Fast Interlocks and Slow interlocks; Human Machine Interface; PXI based console for the operator; Data Server for Storage, Analysis & Archival, Network assisted Storage (NAS) system has been procured and is being interfaced with HHFTF for storage of experimental data for analysis and post processing. HHFTF is routinely being operated for high heat flux testing purposes.

**Diagnostic & Calibration System:** A high temperature Cavity Blackbody and Dry bath Calibrator is being periodically used for calibration of non-contact/contact type infra-red thermal sensing equipment such as IR-Pyrometer and IR-Camera and TC. The facility allows calibration in the temperature range of 150 – 1200 °C (RTD, TC) and 600 to 3,000 °C (IR Camera and Pyrometer).

*Material Sputter-Coating System:* Commissioning of Magnetron Sputter-Coating system manufactured by an industrial

The High Heat Flux Test Facilty (HHFTF) is state-of-the-art facility for material plasma interaction studies which is available in very few places around the world. This helps to decide the armour materials for fusion machines which needs to withstand the extreme conditions prevailing in the edge of the tokamak

partner has been completed. The system is capable of performing coatings on substrates heated to temperature up to 1000°C.

High Heat Flux Testing: Tungsten alloy mono-block test mock-ups fabricated using diffusion bonding technique are studied for their heat removal performance under non-uniform heat load conditions relevant to ITER-like divertor. Tungsten mono-block test mock-up manufactured at IPR using vacuum brazing technology is tested for uniform extracted heat flux up to 6 MW/m<sup>2</sup>. Further testing will be done at higher heat flux values. Test mock-ups with ~ 500micron tungsten coatings on copper alloy & stainless steel substrates has been successfully tested for 1000 thermal cycles at 500°C. Experimental studies to observe Critical Heat Flux are carried out on water-cooled copper alloy test mock-up with swirl-tape insert.

*Tungsten Materials Development:* GLEEBLE 3800 system is used for development of Pure Tungsten material in the form of a circular disk by Direct Sintering of pure tungsten powder. Tungsten powder of 1-6 Micron particle size

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Figure A.2.4 Arrangement in Gleeble 3800 System test Chamber for sintering of tungsten powders is sintered at various temperatures in the range 1600-1900 °C under pressure in the range 20-60 MPa. Development of Metal-Matrix-Composite and Functionally Graded Materials with Tungsten and Copper will be attempted in future.

*Small Specimen Testing Technique Development:* Small specimen of tungsten materials are fabricated using precision cutting techniques such as Water-Jet cutting and EDM Wire-Cut. Suitable fixtures are developed to test these specimen at elevated temperature in Gleeble System. Specimen are tested for their tensile properties at elevated temperatures. Obtained stress-strain curves are found to be in good agreement with the data reported recently in international journal.

*Brazing Studies and Brazing Experiments:* Brazing, casting annealing experiments are performed for studies on fabrication of small-scale mock-ups CVD windows etc. Brazing experiments have been performed for the LHCD system at IPR and CEERI, Pilani (brazing for Ceramic to Titanium),



Figure A.2.6 Assembly of fixtures, tungsten tiles and copper backplate to fabricate Curved Dome Structure using vacuum brazing technique.



Figure A.2.5 Copper casting on Pure Tungsten Tiles done using Vacuum Brazing Furnace

Cu to Cu brazing for FCIPT, Brazing of SS tube to Cu block of Limiter of SST-1 and ongoing brazing and casting activities of DFD group where tungsten and graphite are being brazed to CuCrZr.

*Helium Cooled Divertor Studies:* Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) studies are continued further on extended surface design for improvement of the design to increase heat transfer efficiency. A new concept with several holes is developed and studied for its heat transfer efficiency.

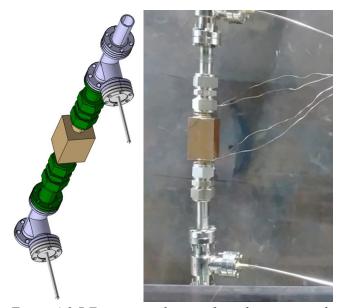


Figure A.2.7 Experimental set-up for calorimetry studies in HHF test facility using full copper test mock-up, thermocouples and RTDs

*Engineering Analysis of ITER-like Divertor:* Engineering analysis of the ITER-like divertor are continued including: (a) Computational Fluid Dynamic Analysis to estimate the coolant pressure drop and heat transfer coefficients; (b) Electromagnetic analysis to estimate the eddy current and structural loads induced during off normal events; (c) Thermal-Structural coupled analysis to compute stresses on various parts of Divertor as a result of various thermal and structural loads.

*Electromagnetic Analysis:* Electromagnetic analysis of ITER divertor under Major Disruption conditions is continued for estimating the Lorentz forces.

*Ultrasonic Testing & Simulation:* Efforts are being made to inspect tungsten-copper and copper-copper joint in monoblock type divertor target having curved copper alloy tube with typical radius of curvature ~ 500mm and length 500-1000mm. Thick weld joints are tested using newly procured Linear Phased Array module of Ultrasonic Flaw Detector system.

**CFD Simulation of HHF testing of target test mock-up:** CFD computations are performed to simulate HHF testing experiments on tungsten mono-blocks, tungsten coated copper & SS test mock-ups and full copper-alloy test mock-up with & without swirl-tape insert. Simulations were carried out for various water flow parameters.

**Collaboration with VSSC for software development:** FEAST software developed by VSSC for finite element analysis of structures was demonstrated to IPR scientists & engineers. Discussion between IPR and VSSC representatives is held for further development of FEAST software through collaborative efforts to include Electro-Magnetic Analysis Module of interest to IPR for tokamak related analysis.

#### A.2.3 Pellet Injector System

Solidified form of hydrogen gas or its isotopes is an efficient method of supplying fuel particles into a magnetically confined high temperature plasma device. This technique is technologically simple and economically cheaper than other fuelling methods. In this regard, a single pellet hydrogen pellet

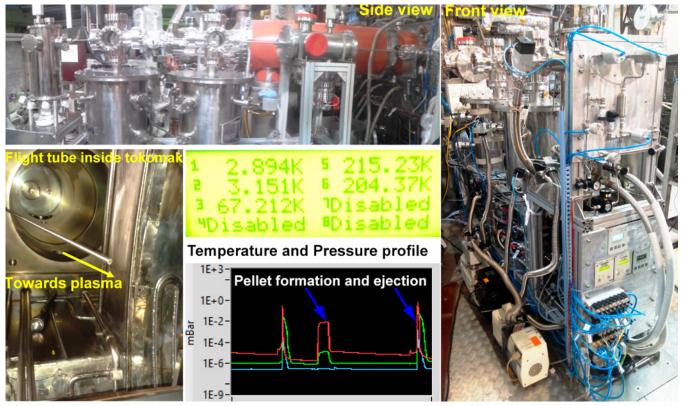


Figure A.2.8. Pellet injector system integrated to SST-1

injector is developed and successfully integrated to the SST-1 machine for pellet-plasma interaction studies in a tokomak plasma. After successful demonstration of a prototype pellet injector in laboratory, a single barrel pellet injector is designed, fabricated and integrated to SST-1 tokamak. This injector is an in-situ pipe gun type injector. In this kind of injector a pellet freezes in-situ in the gun barrel and is injected into the plasma by applying high pressure propellant gas, such as helium. The injector consists of four subsections, namely: (1) Cryo chamber (2) Gas feed system (3) Differential pumping system and (4) Data acquisition and Control system. The cryo chamber consists of a stainless steel barrel of specific dimension relating to pellet size for pellet formation. It takes approximately 40 seconds to freeze a 2 mm size ice pellet. This assures the capability of the injector to be operated in every three minutes (adding vacuum pumping times). The gas feed system supplies hydrogen gas to the freezing zone for pellet formation, and high pressure (up to 50 bar) helium propellant gas for pellet ejection and acceleration. Pellet speed is varied by regulating the propellant gas pressure. A three-stage differential pumping section is employed to restrict the flow of helium gas into the tokomak plasma. Pellet formation and ejection process is remotely controlled by using a stand-alone PLC system and input/output electronic circuits. This PLC is also used to store various data from the injector in a remote computer. Two sets of light gate diagnostic and a high speed camera (> 200,000 frames per second, with micro second exposure time) are installed to measure the ejected pellet speed and its size, respectively. At present, this injector is successfully integrated to the SST-1 tokomak. Using this injector, a pellet will be injected in the plasma mid-plane from an outboard location of tokomak at an angle 18° to plasma radial direction. The injector vacuum system is successfully operated at a level of 10<sup>-6</sup> mbar or lower order. Similarly, pellet formation region has reached a temperature of 2.9 K, which is sufficient for pellet formation. Initial experimental results indicate that freezing of hydrogen gas is successfully attained by the injector. The system is ready for further experiment.

#### A.2.4 Test Blanket Module (TBM)

Indian Lead Lithium Ceramic Breeder (LLCB) blanket concept will be tested in ITER through Test Blanket Module (TBM) program. The objective of the ITER TBM Program is to generate experimental data on the performance of tritium breeding blankets in integrated fusion nuclear environment. This programme is engaged in the Design and Development of LLCB TBM and its associated ancillary systems. Test Blanket System (TBS) and Blanket Neutronics Activities: Neutronic analyses is very important step and it provides essential inputs for the engineering design of LLCB TBM set and its associated ancillary systems. Neutronic models with updated TBM frame and TBM Set geometry has been constructed and neutronic performance of LLCB TBS in ITER has been evaluated using radiation transport code MCNP6 & nuclear cross section data library FENDL 2.1. Various nuclear responses such neutron spectrum & flux, tritium production rate, nuclear heating, gas production and displacement per atom have been calculated. Neutron induced activation calculations are needed to assess the radioactive hazards from irradiated materials and radioactive waste. Activation analyses provide the contact dose rate, decay heat and radioactivity estimations required for maintenance plan, assemblingdismantling plan and rad-waste management. The activation analysis has been performed by making use of inventory code FISPACT-2007.

**Engineering Design Activities:** The TBM set is subjected to extreme environment conditions, like high structural temperature (up to 500 °C), high magnetic field and radiation. The TBM structure is designed to withstand various loads and its combinations, like thermal, mechanical including the high pressure coolant loads, electromagnetic loads during plasma disruption and seismic loading conditions. Detailed thermal-hydraulic and thermo-mechanical analysis has been per-

The ITER is a unique opportunity to test the tritium breeding blanket module concepts that would lead in a future DEMO fusion reactor to tritium selfsufficiency, the extraction of high grade heat and electricity production. India has planned to test the Lead-Lithium cooled Ceramic Breeder (LLCB) through its Test Blanket Module (TBM).

formed to demonstrate the structural integrity corresponding to different operating conditions (for load combinations of thermal, mechanical, electromagnetic and seismic) based on the load specifications. Appropriate classification of systems, structures and components and relevant codes and standards (RCC-MRx) has been followed for the design analysis.

Liquid Metal Process and MHD Activities: Lead Lithium

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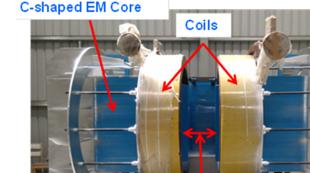


Figure A.2.9. Pb - Li Purification Loop set up with Cold Trap

Cooling System (LLCS) is one of the major systems of LLCB TBS. The operation of LLCS relies on accurate measurement of system process parameters at high temperature and its efficient control. R&D activities in Pb-Li technology development were primarily focused to develop and test of critical liquid metal loop components as well as high temperature Pb-Li diagnostics and their testing in experimental liquid metal loops. Diagnostics, which do not come in contact with hot and corrosive Pb-Li are also being explored. In this context, testing of radar level sensor and ultrasonic flow-meter in long run Pb-Li experimental loop is under progress. Cold Trap for Lead Lithium purification has been designed and developed at IPR. The experimental set up assembly for the cold trap along with the testing loop has been successfully completed.

*Structural Material Development Activities:* Materials development activities are under progress to develop and qualify the structural material for its use in LLCB TBM. India specific reduced activation ferritic martensitic steel (IN-RAFMS), has been developed in collaboration with IGCAR, Kalpakkam and M/S MIDHANI. For the ITER qualification, large heats of IN-RAFMS have been produced to generate the physical and mechanical properties database as per the RCC-MRx guidelines. The experimental database of physical and mechanical properties is being generated at IGCAR and IPR along with other collaborative institutes within India. The results are comparable with lab scale heats and also comparable with internationally developed RAFMS. These properties are used for the conceptual design of LLCB TBM.

Corrosion studies of Indian Reduced Activation Ferritic-



Pole Gap (370 mm)

Figure A.2.10. Electromagnet assembly for Pb - Li MHD experiment

Martensitic Steel (RAFMS) with Lead Lithium Eutectic: Compatibility of the TBM structural material with the liquid Lead Lithium is one of the prime concerns for the successful operation of LLCB TBM in ITER. Corrosion experiments are being performed in "thermal convection loop" and "pump driven loop". Flat and tensile IN-RAFMS sample coupons are loaded in both the loops and are being exposed to flowing

Many small experiments have been set up to study and optimize the various processes which would be utilized in designing the TBM.

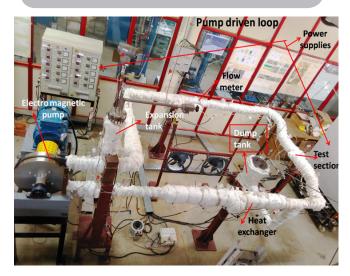


Figure A.2.11. Pump Driven loop for corrosion studies

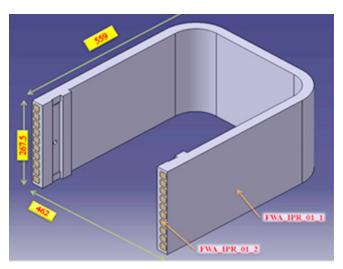


Figure A.2.12. Isometric view of 10 channels U shaped First Wall Mock-up

Pb-Li. The samples will be taken out of the loop after regular intervals of time( for ex : 1000, 2500 and 5000 hours) and then the properties are studied along with the corrosion rate.

Fabrication Technologies Development Activities: Mock-up

fabrication activities are under progress to identify feasible manufacturing route, fabrication processes and assembly sequence to be adopted for the fabrication of full size LLCB TBM set. The fabrication and inspection procedures adopted are as per codal requirements specified in RCC-MRx and guidelines provided in the ITER vacuum hand book. This exercise will provide inputs for finalization of LLCB TBM design. Development of several small scale mock-up of TBM components are envisaged. A small scale of TBM First wall is being fabricated by Hot Isostatic Pressing (HIP) and by conventional fabrication techniques. An eight channel mockup of FW using IN-RAFM steel and dense ceramic core insert is under fabrication. As a conventional machining technique fabrication of TBM FW 10 channel mock up using gun drilling, wire EDM Cutting & machining followed by Hot Bending is also under progress (see Figure A.2.12).

*Ceramic Pebble Development Activities:* Qualified  $\text{Li}_2\text{TiO}_3$  pebbles have been developed as the tritium breeder for LLCB TBM. The production facility is currently under up gradation from 40 kg/year to 80 kg/year to meet the requirements. The necessary characterization facilities have also been installed. At every stage (powder, pellet and pebble preparation) of

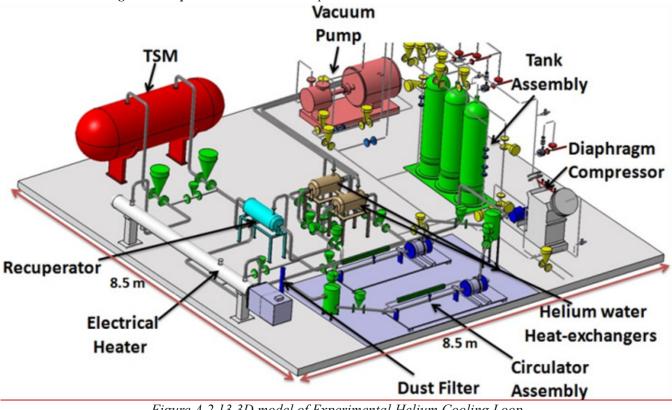


Figure A.2.13 3D model of Experimental Helium Cooling Loop

preparation, powder and pebbles, extensive characterizations are also being carried out to make extensive data base for material qualification. The high temperature effective thermal conductivity measurement of pebble bed with steady state axial heat transfer method & hot wire method has been started and under currently under progress. These experimental setups have been indigenously developed.

Helium Cooling Systems Development Activities: An Experimental Helium Cooling Loop (EHCL) facility (450 °C, 0.4 kg/s) is being set up (see figure A.2.13) to perform R & D experiments and to experience the operation and control requirements for FWHCS and LLHCS. The conceptual design of the EHCL was carried out in-house and the procurement of loop equipment such as circulators, heat exchangers, electrical heater, valves, and instrumentations are under progress.

Instrumentation & Control Design and Development Activities: R&D efforts to develop process instrumentation for liquid metal applications are under progress. An experimental study was carried out towards precise validation of pressure sensors specific to LLCS operating conditions in TBM. Indigenous test facility (see figure-A.2.14) was designed and fabricated for performance validation of pressure sensors for high-temperature, high-pressure corrosive liquid Pb-Li. Calibration of these sensors at temperature between 380-400 °C and at pressure upto 10 bar (g) was performed. Reliability and performance validation was ascertained by continuous long duration testing for over 1000 hours. Instrumentation & Control system architectures were designed for Plant Control System (PCS), Plant Interlock System (PIS) and Plant Safety System (PSS) of LLCB TBS. Functional Breakdown Struc-

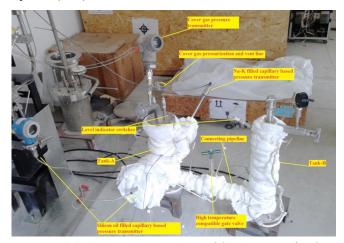


Figure A.2.14 Pressure sensor calibration test facility for Pb-Li application

ture (FBS), Failure Modes, detailed Process & Instrumentation Diagrams (P&IDs) and Safety Functions were prepared for ancillary systems of LLCB TBS.

TBM Safety and Neutron Diagnostics Development Activities: LLCB TBS safety analyses in ITER are required for obtaining the regulatory approvals. Safety analysis of LLCB TBS was carried out using RELAP/MOD4.0 code and various accident scenarios were analysed. For the validation of the safety analyses of LLCB TBS, an experiment is designed and performed to study the PbLi-water interactions and also to measure hydrogen produced. In order to enhance the capabilities of RELAP/MOD4.0 code it is modified to handle accident scenarios involving PbLi/Helium mixtures and several calculations have been performed to validate the modified code. Benchmarking exercise relevant to actual TBM accident scenarios using the modified code is on-going. Neutron diagnostics are being developed for LLCB TBM for the measurement of neutron spectra & fluxes and tritium production rates in TBM which will validate the nuclear design of LLCB TBM in ITER. Diamond detector, Neutron activation system (NAS) and Micro fission chamber (MFC) are proposed as neutron diagnostics for TBM applications. Diamond detector and MFC detectors are being developed with BARC and first set is in final stage of testing with IPR neutron generator. Conceptual design of Neutron Activation System has been proposed by IPR and components design is in R&D phase under collaboration with BARC, Mumbai.

#### A.2.5 Large Cryogenic Plants & Cryo-systems

This programme is mainly involved for the indigenous helium refrigerator/liquefier (HRL) plant development of cooling capacity 1 kW at 4.5 K. As this is a complex plant project, it is planned to achieve in 2 phases: Phase-A, in which HRL will be made as semi-indigenous with some of the key components like helium compressor and oil removal system (CORS) will be imported and other key components will be made indigenously. Phase-B will involve full indigenization.

**Detailed design of prototype components:** Main components of plant which will be indigenous in phase-A are: 3 different (2-stream-He/He and He/boiling  $LN_2$  and 3-stream-He/ He/He) kind of cryogenic plate-fin heat exchangers operating between 300 to 15 K with helium flow rate 30 g/s for cold stream, 2 different helium purifiers operating at temperature 80 K and 20 K with flow rate 50 g/s. These heat exchangers are counter-flow type. These are manufactured by brazing in a vacuum furnace at a temperature of 600°C. These are made

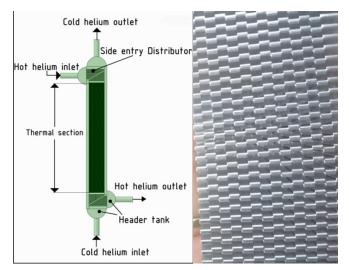


Figure A.2.15 (a) A two stream heat exchanger

(b) A part of serrated fin layer being manufactured of aluminium alloy which are good for machining and has good mechanical properties at low temperature,. The detailed design of these prototypes, review, tender document preparation for manufacturing are finished. Figure A.2.15 (a) shows a 2-stream heat exchanger designed and figure A.2.15(b) shows a part of serrated fin layer being manufactured for prototype  $LN_2$  precooling heat exchanger. These should have high thermal effectiveness and for some heat exchangers this should be more than 97%. After design of these prototype heat exchangers, results are compared with existing helium plant heat exchanger parameters as a 1st step. In the 2nd step, Aspen software results were compared and in the 3rd step CFD (computational fluid dynamics) analysis was carried out. A part of the CFD analysis work for plate-fin heat exchanger shows the velocity variation alternately in free space within fins. The CFD analysis shows that the pressure drops in real system will be up to 20% more than calculated from the correlation-based formula. For heat transfer coefficient estimation, CFD analysis is in progress. Finally this manufactured heat exchanger will be tested at low temperature.

**Detailed design of full-scale components:** The detailed design methodology for prototype components and full-scale components are nearly similar. Based on these procedures, computer codes have been developed which will be helpful for detailed design of full-scale components also. For the full-scale components, many interface aspects with other components and off-nominal operational situations need to be worked out.

Detailed design of test facility: Detailed design of heat ex-

The future fusion based power stations are expected to have very large superconducting magnets which would require very large cryogenic plants. This activity plans to build large cryogenic systems through small modular cryogenic plants

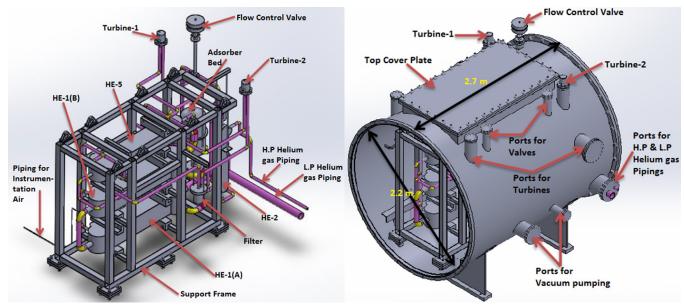


Figure A.2.16 Assembly for turbine test

Figure A.2.17 Vacuum Chamber for turbine-Test Facility

changer test bed and turbine test bed are in progress and expected to be finished soon. Turbine test facility can accommodate turbines of both vertical and horizontal configurations. It can also accommodate both aerostatic and aerodynamic type contact-less gas bearings. The helium cryogenic turbines which will be tested in this test facility will have rotational speed in the range of 1.5 to 3 lakhs RPM and for such high speed contact-less gas bearings are used. Figure 3 shows the vacuum chamber with internal components of turbine test facility. Detailed design of heat exchanger test facility is also expected to be finished soon. There are 9 blocks of full-scale heat exchangers and 4 blocks of prototype heat exchangers, all of which will be tested in this test facility.

*Instrumentations and controls development:* Dynamic analysis of the helium compressor and oil removal system operation has been tried using Aspen software. The control logic for the automatic operation sequence of compressor system are worked out conceptually. These will be further worked out after which it will be used in the helium plant control system. A PLC and versatile display unit for cryogenic sensors are being developed.

Activities towards fully indigenous plant: For development of helium CORS, an air compressor is being procured for conversion to helium compressor and further this will be helpful for automated helium compressor development which is required for helium HRL plant. Cryogenic helium turbines of required process parameters are being designed at

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Remote handling (RH) is often described as the synergistic combination of technology and engineering management systems to enable operators to safely, reliably and repeatedly perform manipulation of items without being in personal contact with those items. The scope of the project is to build a versatile Remote Handling System for Indian fusion devices. The development of the technologies and systems will be in a parallel and interrelated mode with support of external agencies and institutions. In the report period the main focus was on the virtual reality development, viewing applications, a higher payload (20Kg) articulated arm and RH control system applications development.

Development of Virtual and Augmented Reality Integrated Development lab (VARID-lab): A low cost solution for Virtual Reality facility has been conceptualized and realized at the remote handling and robotics division. This facility – VARID-Lab will be utilized to develop various virtual and augmented reality applications that will have the flexibility to integrate with remote handling equipment and scale the developed applications to the planned major VR facility. The functional specifications of the VARID-Lab aim at research and development in 4 major areas of virtual and augmented reality: (i) Computer Vision & Tracking, (ii) Visualization,

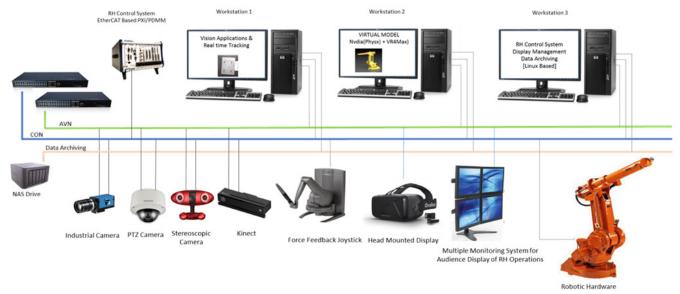


Figure A.2.18. Functional Diagram of Virtual and Augmented Reality Integrated Development (VARID) Lab

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*Figure A.2.19 Stereoscopic Camera Setup* (iii) Real Time Hardware Integration to Virtual and Augmented Reality and (iv) Kinematic Physics Studies. To meet the above mentioned functional specifications, the required hardware and software have been procured and integrated into a complete setup. All projects related to image processing, augmented reality, virtual reality, control system development, remote monitoring and control of robotic systems and integration of virtual control to robotic systems are being integrated to the VARID-Lab platform to create a centralized facility.

Development of Real Time Stereoscopic Immersive Viewing: For carrying out crucial remote handling operations inside a tokamak, the operator is required to have an immersive view of the environment and the operation to be performed. Under this development a stereo-rectified camera pair module has

Remote Handling and Robotics technology would be a vital technology for the maintenance of plasma facing components and other sub-systems of a fusion machine. Here it is being developed through international collaborations.

been integrated to a pan-tilt-roll mechanism and the video streams from the cameras are fed to an active stereoscopic head mounted device.

Conceptual Design Of Prototype Robotic Articulated System (Pras 02): With the successful design and development of the PRAS-1, development of PRAS-2 has been started. This system is a 5 DOF equipment exhibiting snake like articulation for traversing a toroidal workspace. The system is designed



Figure A.2.19a View of Stereoscopic Camera Setup as seen by the Operator using a Head Mounted Display



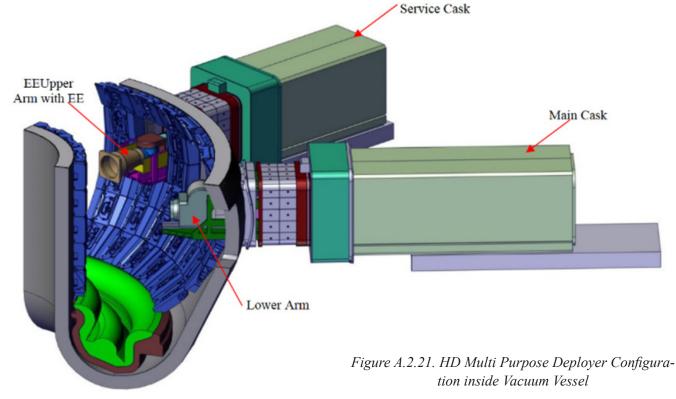
Figure A.2.20 A Virtual Model of the Robotic Platform that is augmented on top of the camera view and controlled based on the orientation of the platform visually

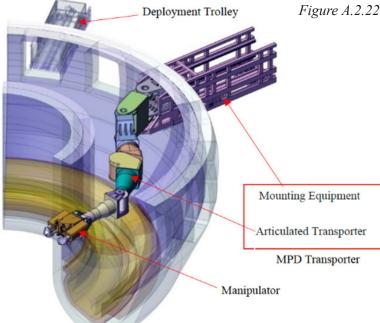
to carry a maximum payload of 20kg at 2m. The system will be integrated to haptic controlled virtual reality setup for online control, tracking and monitoring of operations.

International Collaborations: This programme is having running collaborations and task agreements with ITER on

validation of the ITER RH Control system, Concept design and system analysis of the Multi-Purpose Deployer, Remote handling compatibility assessment of the ITER MPD. The following are some of the major contributions of the RHRTD team towards the ITER RH activities.

*Concept design and system analysis of ITER Multi-Purpose* Deployer (MPD): The Heavy Duty Multi-Purpose Deployer (HD-MPD) with designed payload capacity up to 5.8 tons is an articulated remote handling equipment for the handling of Shield blocks (including the heaviest blocks in NBI region) and rescue of the failed Light Duty (LD) MPD in the Vacuum Vessel. The HD MPD operation requires opening of the two equatorial ports. A concept design of the HD MPD has been performed to provide heavy load handling capability inside the Vacuum Vessel targeting to the blanket shield block handling. The internal spaces within the HD MPD bodies were secured as much as possible for housing the actuator components. The existing design constraints were respected such as port dimensions, cask envelope, etc. The Joint load analysis has also been carried out to assess the required performance of the joint actuators. Suitable reinforcements were implemented to satisfy the required structural integrity. The detailed deployment sequence of the HD MPD has been dem-





onstrated for each different configuration of the HD MPD. Amendment to the remote handling control systems task agreement: The objective of this work is to carry-out the detailing of the RH maintenance tasks, construct simulation task environments, demonstration of the RH tasks and performance assessment for the following tasks: (i) VR based Decontamination Assessment of the Multi-Purpose Deployer (MPD) in the Hot Cell; (ii) Blanket Manifold Handling in Vacuum Vessel; (iii) Maintenance Assessment of RH Equipment in Hot Cell

#### A2.7 Negative Ion Neutral Beam System

The activities of the project can be classified into four categories namely (i) ROBIN (ii) Twin Source, (iii) Indian Test Facility (INTF) and R&D experiments.

#### (i) ROBIN

This activity has progressed mainly in three tracks (a) Electrical Systems (b) Data Acquisition and Control System (DACS) and (c) ROBIN and Cesium Experiments

(a)*Electrical Systems* : Integrated testing of high voltage power supplies (Extraction Power Supply System – EPSS and Acceleration Power Supply System – APSS) power supplies

#### Figure A.2.22 HD Multi Purpose Deployer (MPD) Subsystems

has been performed for 1hour on the 550kW resistive dummy load by floating EPSS (-35 kV, 15 A) over APSS (-11 kV, 35 A) with EPSS at full load and APSS at 10% load, and vice-versa. After these tests, the power supplies are integrated and commissioned with negative ion source ROBIN and successfully operated with remote DACS. A 3-phase 800A LT sub-distribution panel, in order to cater experimental loads in the HVPS facility has been successfully tested and installed in NNB HVPS facility. A new 1MHz, 100 kVA RF transformer has been designed and developed for the RF matching network of the ROBIN facility with improved performance of the magnetics and reduced overall losses. A new ferrite based 50 kHz, 20kVA; -70 kV DC isolated transformer has been designed and developed for the modules of high voltage power supplies with improved regulation and total losses. Addition High accuracy DC current sensor circuitry, floating at -46 kV, has been designed, tested and in-

stalled in the ROBIN facility to measure the beam, electron and drain current for volume mode as well as surface mode of source operation. An electronic circuit has been conceptualized, designed, developed, bench-tested and installed in the ROBIN experimental setup to enable the detection of plasma ignition through the measurement of plasma grid bias current, as an alternate approach to the present detection through H-alpha.

(b)Up-gradation of Data Acquisition and Control System (DACS) of ROBIN: The volume mode beam operation has been done successfully through the upgraded DACS. The Cesium (Cs) Oven, Plasma Grid (PG) heating power supply, heating water system and calorimeter subsystem is integrated with DACS. Laser Photo-detachment Diagnostic (LPD) acquisition interfaced with DACS. The surface mode beam operation with ROBIN DACS has been done successfully.

(c)ROBIN and Cesium Experiments: Negative ion beam extraction experiments are performed in volume mode using EPSS and APSS with 73.38 cm<sup>2</sup> extraction area and  $\sim$  8 mA/ cm<sup>2</sup> current density achieved in volume mode in ROBIN. After that ROBIN experimental facility has up-graded for surface mode negative ion beam extraction experiments. In surface mode; Cs vapors are injected into the source which lowers the work-function of the plasma grid (plasma facing grid) and enhanced negative ion production by surface process. Cesium (Cs) oven with all necessary equipments and instrumentation are implemented. Negative hydrogen ion beam extraction experiments in surface mode have been performed in ROBIN and source performance is being optimized.

#### (ii) Twin Source

Manufacturing of mechanical components of twin source have progressed well. All machining activities on stainless steel and OFC-Cu components are completed as shown in Fig. 6. Extensive efforts have been put on joining the similar & dissimilar materials like stainless steel and OFC-Cu for sub-assemblies like plasma box lateral wall, faraday shield assembly and source back plate. These components are brazed in a vacuum furnace. TWIN is expected to be delivered soon.

Detailed engineering design of TWIN source extraction and acceleration system with three grid system has been initiated for (80x4) beamlet group. Water cooling system design is completed for a dedicated thermal management of TWIN source experiments. Detailed P&I generated with piping operation, functional and safety requirements. Tender has been released for fabrication and installation activities. 1600A ACB based LT Main Distribution Panel (MDP) is installed at site along-with its Sub Distribution Panels (SDPs) of 200A for electrical system, 200A for DACS and 200A for vacuum system. 800A RFG junction box has been mounted on the wall which feeds the 3-phase 415V AC 50Hz experimental power to RFG. 3V 6000A DC power supply has been procured which will be used in Twin Source experiments for Plasma Grid (PG) filter field generation in the 2nd stage of experiment.

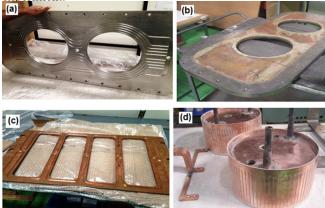


Figure A.2.23 Vacuum brazed components of TWIN source

(iii) Indian Test Facility (INTF) and R&D experiments.

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## A.2.8 Fusion Reactor Materials Development & Characterization

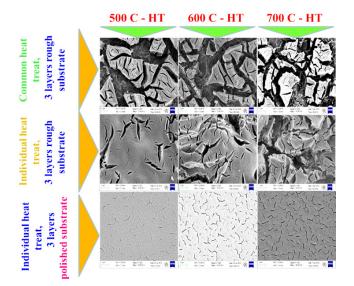
Oxide Dispersion Strengthened (ODS) Steel Development Activity: As part of the fusion materials program, the development of Oxide Dispersion Strengthened steels with RAFM/ RAF alloys has been initiated and MoU has been signed with ARCI (International Advanced Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials), Hyderabad for the development of nano Yttria Powders and consolidation of 9 Cr RAFM & 14 CR RAF ODS alloys. For the Other part of developing the plates by Hot Isostatic Pressing (HIP) process development is in progress with DMRL, Hyderabad. The preliminary trials for the development of 6 mm & 12 mm thick plates are in progress.

**Tritium Barrier Coating Activity:** The on-going activity of tritium barrier coating development was further pursued for improvement in the desired properties of the coatings by both the methods, namely Metal organic decomposition method and reactive magnetron sputtering method. Systematic improvisation of  $\text{Er}_2O_3$  coating surface morphology with variation in process of Metal organic decomposition using dipcoating technique is achieved as can be seen in the Scanning Electron Microscope images in Figure A.2.25. Reduction in the substrate roughness and changing from conventional common heat treatment to individual heat treatment cycles yielded drastic improvement in the adhesion and intactness

Though the fuel is not radioactive (both before and after burn), efforts are on to achieve zero radioactivity in all other materials to be used in the fusion power plant. This includes selection of material composition and their structure. This activity is to orient the material studies in that direction.

#### of the coating.

 $MgAl_2O_4$  ceramic development activity for IR and RF windows: Magnesium Aluminate (MgAl\_2O\_4) is considered as high performance ceramic material due to their excellent thermal shock resistance, high resistance to chemical deg-



#### Figure A.2.24 Scanning Electron Microscope images of surface micrographs of Er2O3 coating deposited by Metal Organic Deposition method

radation, good optical and dielectric properties. It also exhibits great structural stability under neutron irradiation environment, makes it suitable for application in high radiation environment such as fusion reactor.  $MgAl_2O_4$  development activity has been proposed with the aim to use as diagnostics and RF windows in fusion reactors. The nano sized MgA- $l_2O_4$  powders have been prepared using Sol-Gel technique by optimization of process parameters. The ceramics discs samples (25mm diameter x 4 mm thickness) will be prepared from prepared nano size powder using compaction press followed by high temperature sintering for achievement of high densification and transparency.

**Fabrication technology and joint characterization Activ***ity:* The fabrication technologies R&D for the joining and characterization of the mechanical and metallurgical properties have been carried out for Austenitic steels which are widely used in fusion reactor development. Major processes like TIG welding, Electron beam welding and Laser Welding techniques have been carried and their welds joints properties characterization has been carried out. NDT (Non Destructive Test) techniques development by Ultrasonic scans examination for thick steels (~60 mm AISI SS316L plate joints) procedures are established with in-house developed calibration and low cost Ultrasonic instrument with suitable probe. Pure thick Copper coating on steels is required for in-vessel materials and is realized with the fabrication routes by Laser

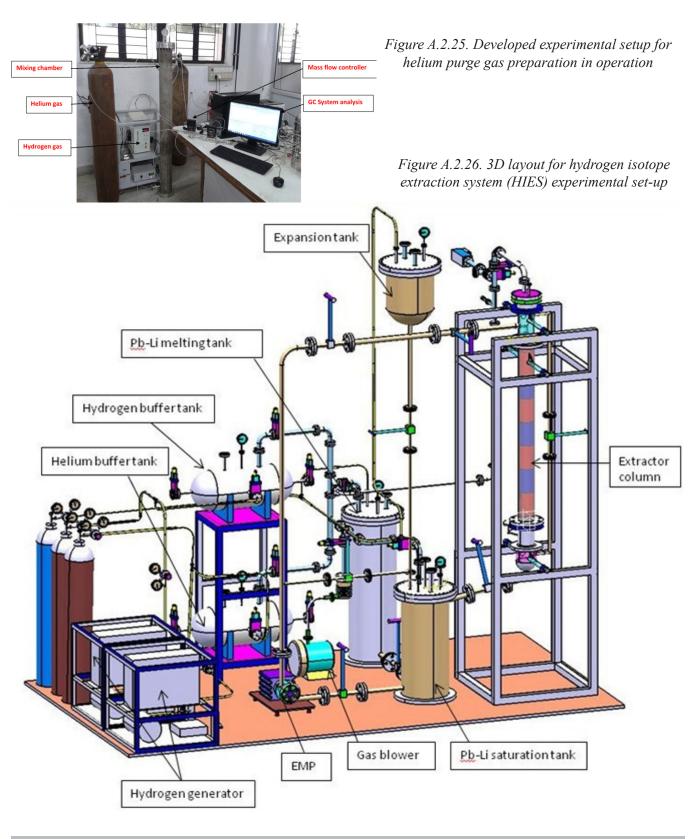
#### cladding and Cold spray procedures.

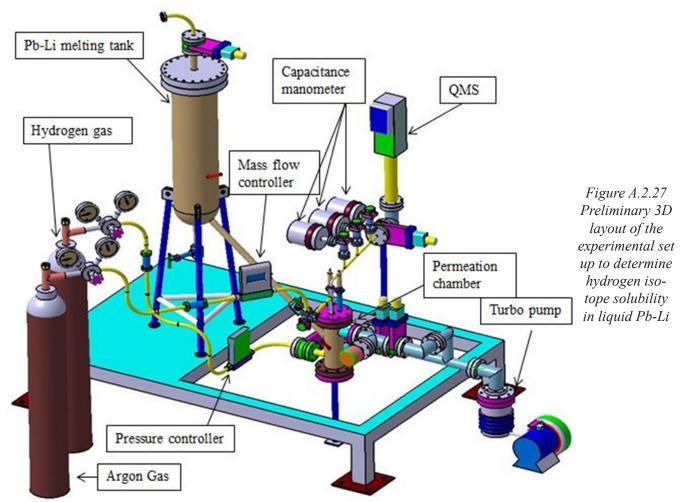
Ion Irradiation Induced Defect Study on Tungsten under the IAEA agreement: Tungsten is the Plasma Facing Material in Fusion Reactors. With the objective to study the Structural, microstructural and Morphological changes in Tungsten after low (0.1 MeV) and High (80 MeV) energy Heavy ion irradiations and Hydrogen trapped/retained in un-irradiated and pre-irradiated Tungsten as a part of Co-ordinated Research Project (CRP) titled "Radiation damage and H/D retention studies on ion-irradiated Tungsten and its alloys -Experiments and Modeling", under the IAEA agreement. The work has been carried out in collaboration with scientists at other organizations such as IUAC, IGCAR, BARC and ARCI in India.

#### A.2.9 Fusion Fuel-Cycle Development

Activities towards development of laboratory scale hydrogen isotopes removal system (HIRS) for He purge gas: Development of Atmospheric Molecular Sieve Bed (AMSB) is complete except a few minor refinements. Design of CMSB is over and the purchase procedure for same is under progress. Design of Pd-Ag membrane front end permeator has been undertaken under collaboration with ENEA laboratory, Frascati, Italy. The preliminary design and parametric analysis of Pd-Ag membrane for HIRS has been completed. The design of the membrane prompted us to investigate further to assess the suitability of the membrane for a low pressure system like TES. So experiments were planned in HYdrogen FRAscati MEmbrane (HYFRAME) permeator at ENEA, Frascati, for the operating conditions of HIRS but at a reduced flow rate. The experiments were carried out in the temperature range of 300-450 C and pressure range of 1-3 bar. It has been observed that maximum efficiency of 90% is achieved only when the membrane is operated at 3 bar and 400 C. At operating pressures of 1-2 bar, the efficiency is between 17-60%. So, the regeneration pressure at the outlet of CMSB must be maintained at 3 bar for effective hydrogen isotopes separation for He gas.

**Preparation and analysis of helium purge gas mixture to be used in Tritium Extraction System of LLCB TBM:** Hydrogen isotopes are extracted from the Ceramic Breeder (CB) and liquid Lead Lithium (Pb-Li) Breeder of Lead Lithium Ceramic Breeder (LLCB) Test Blanket Module (TBM) with Helium purge gas. An experimental set up is developed for making up the purge gas mixture with a composition similar to the purge gas composition. The analysis of the purge gas mixture is performed using a highly sensitive Gas Chromatograph (GC) system with ionization detector. The experimen-





tal set up developed for preparation of helium purge gas are shown in Figure A.2.26.

Activities towards development of hydrogen isotope extraction system (HIES) for liquid PbLi: An experimental set up in laboratory scale of HIES is being constructed. 3D layout of experimental set up is shown in Figure A.2.27. Fabrication drawings are complete. Fabrication of experimental set-up would be initiated soon.

Activities towards development of experimental set up for determining solubility of hydrogen isotope in liquid PbLi: Preliminary 3D layout of the experimental set up for determining hydrogen isotope solubility is shown in Figure A.2.28. Equipment to be used in the experiment (viz., vacuum pump, mass flow controllers, electronic pressure controllers, capacitance manometers, residual gas analyser, temperature sensors, temperature controller, UHV valves, vacuum gauge etc.) have been procured. Fabrication of Pb-Li melting tank and permeation chamber is completed. Laser welding of iron foil to the permeation chamber is under process.

Activities towards development of hydrogen isotopes sensors: These are to measure hydrogen isotopes dissolved in PbLi liquid along with its process related set-up, components and equipment: Measurement of hydrogen isotopes in liquid PbLi is a challenge as it is not available in the market. It is still in R&D stage world over. Two types of sensors have been planned for this purpose. First type is based on permeation of hydrogen isotopes, whereas the second type is based on proton conducting electrochemical.

(a)Permeation based hydrogen isotopes sensors: These sensors have been developed. Experimental set up to test the sensors in gas phase is shown in Figure A.2.28. Experiments in gas phase will prove the concept. Experiments have been



Figure A.2.28 Testing set up for isotope sensor in gas phase

initiated. Once the sensors are tested in gas phase, they will be tested in liquid PbLi. Design of the experimental set up to test in the liquid phase is also complete. Three sensors can be simultaneously tested in this set up. . The procurement and fabrication of components are under progress.

(b)Development of solid state proton conducting ceramic for electrochemical based hydrogen isotope sensor: The hydrogen sensor using a proton conducting electrolyte can be described as a galvanic cell formed by a reference electrode, a solid electrolyte (proton conductor) and a working electrode. The electrochemical potential developed across the electrodes due to conduction of protons through the solid electrolyte (ceramic) gives concentration of hydrogen isotope dissolved in Pb-Li. Synthesis of solid state proton conducting ceramic, which acts as an electrolyte, is one of the most important and challenging task towards the development of electrochemical based hydrogen isotope sensors. The required ceramic was prepared by mixing and mechanically grinding SrCO<sub>3</sub>, CeO<sub>2</sub> and Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> for 40 hours and calcination at 1000 °C for 8 hours. Finally with 40 hours of ball milling and 8 hours calcination at 1100 °C, SCY phases have been observed in almost all the peaks of the XRD. Cylindrical pellets of thickness 1.5 mm, 2 mm and 3 mm and diameter of 15 mm from the prepared SCY ceramic powder have been prepared and sintered at 900 °C for 10 hours.

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#### A.3. Basic Experiments

The institute has a very strong experimental program on fundamental plasma sciences. This exciting programme caters mostly to the requirements of Ph.D. student programme. The current programme has experiments under the following heads:

A.3.1 Large Volume Plasma Device (LVPD) Experiment	
A.3.2 Basic Experiments in Toroidal Assembly(BETA)	
A.3.3 Interaction of Low Energy Ion & Neutral Beams with Surfaces	
A.3.4 System for Microwave Plasma Experiments (SYMPLE)	
A.3.5 Plasma Wake-Field Acceleration Experiment (PWFA)	
A.3.6 Magnetized Linear Plasma Device	
A.3.7 Experiments on Dusty Plasmas	
A.3.8 A Linear Helicon Plasma Device With Controllable Magnetic Field	Gradient
A.3.9 Non-Linear Dynamics In Dc Glow Discharge Plasma	
A.3.10 Multi-cusp Plasma Experiment	
A.3.11 Non-Neutral Plasma Experiment (SMARTEX-C)	
A.3.12 Plasma Torch Activities	

#### A.3.1 Large Volume Plasma Device (LVPD)

Experimental investigations in LVPD are focused this year on four fronts, namely (i) Plasma transport in the background of Electron Temperature Gradient (ETG), (ii) Understanding plasma turbulence in source plasma of LVPD, (iii) Developmental work, dedicated mainly towards augmentation of 40 channel data acquisition system and (iv) diagnostics development.

Plasma Transport in the background of Electron Temperature Gradient Driven Turbulence in Target Plasma: An attempt was made to understand the effect of Electron Temperature Gradient Driven Turbulence experimentally, on particle transport in terms of turbulent particle flux in the core region of target plasma in LVPD [see figure A.3.1.1]. The core region exhibits radial gradients in electron temperature profile and no significant gradient in the plasma density and potential profiles. Also, this region exhibits fluctuations in plasma density, floating potential, magnetic field and electron temperature in finite beta ( $\beta \sim 0.6$ ) plasma conditions, where ETG conditions are satisfied in terms of density and temperature scale lengths. The threshold for ETG can be described as the ratio of plasma density and electron temperature gradient Basic experiments help in understanding the various properties of plasma state in both of naturally occurring and man-made ones. Apart from helping to develop various based technologies, they also help in developing the human resources for future endeavours.

scale length and its values should always exceed 2/3. The region of target plasma, where ETG is successfully excited is formed by the diffusion of source plasma across the localized transverse magnetic field (Bx=160 G) produced by Electron Energy Filter (EEF), when EEF is ON [see figure A.3.1.2]. The ETG region exhibits strong out of phase correlation between the density and potential fluctuation. These characterize ETG driven turbulence. The phase angle between density and potential fluctuations satisfy the ion non-adiabatic response. Fluctuation induced plasma transport in LVPD has shown an interesting result in the form of inward particle flux when only electron temperature has a gradient. We categorised LVPD plasma differently for two conditions imposed

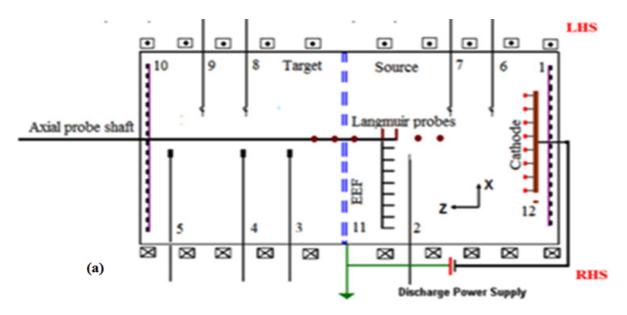


Figure A.3.1.1 Schematic view of Large Volume Plasma Device (LVPD) experimental system

on EEF. They are when EEF is active we call it as EEF ON plasma and when EEF is inactive, name given is EEF OFF plasma. When EEF is OFF, plasma density and temperature profiles does not satisfy ETG threshold conditions, also in this case density and potential fluctuations remains uncorrelated. Hence, no significant particle flux is observed for non ETG case.

*Turbulence in the Source region:* During this period, the right hand side (RHS) energetic electron belt in the source plasma of LVPD is probed with various modified Langmuir

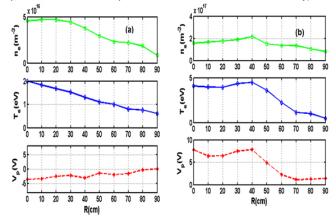


Figure A.3.1.2 Radial Profiles showing ETG suitable (EEF ON) and unsuitable (EEF OFF) profiles of plasma density, electron temperature, and plasma potential.

probe diagnostics. The RHS energetic belt has significance of enhanced turbulence level with strong negative cross correlation between plasma densities, magnetic (C  $(n,B) \sim -0.8$ ) as well as potential (C  $(n,\phi)\sim-0.7$ ) fluctuations. Experiments were mostly carried out to trace the exact driver for the excited turbulence with 1) modified Katsumata type of probe, 2) MACH probes, 3) concentric ring and disk probe assembly in MACH probe configuration. The results obtained from these diagnostics inferred to the i) significant presence of energetic electrons in the belt region, ii) enhanced turbulence level when electron energy filter (EEF) is activated (Figure A.3.1.5). From the magnetic field point of view, the energetic belt region has two dimensional boundaries between the EEF and the source filaments. The boundary at EEF is having a high magnetic field corresponds to the axial magnetic field of LVPD and the filaments are negatively biased. At the EEF boundary, it is considered that the plasma in the belt region experiencing a loss cone and a fraction of the electrons are trapped and reflected back. The experimental evidence is confirmed with rise in plasma density, electron temperature, enhanced floating potential, and increase in turbulence levels. These observations are being consolidated for trapped/ loss cone instabilities observed in plasmas. These kinds of instabilities are well related to the whistler phenomena's observed in earth's magneto sphere. Apart from the instability studies, plasma flow studies were carried out in source, EEF and target plasmas simultaneously with MACH probes. This has given a clear idea on plasma flow setup with activated EEF and how the plasma flows from the source region, inter-



Controller (8135) PXI 5105 module (x4) PXIe 5162(x2) PXIe8384 PXIe 6674T

## Figure A.3.1.3 The PXIe based DAQ hardware procured as LVPD data acquisition system

acts with the EEF plasma and thereafter diffuses to the target plasma. Plasma diffusion across the complete EEF length investigated for understanding the cross field diffusion behaviour. Apart from these, near EEF target plasma profiles were characterised and the experiments are being done to establish a correlation between the near EEF target plasma and the electron gradient driven turbulence (ETG) relevant plasma observed at a far target (axially ~90cm) region of LVPD. This study will give information of control and development of ETG type of profiles.

System Up gradation: Procurement and Augmentation of 40 channel, PXI based Data Acquisition System: The data acquisition and control system up gradation for the large volume plasma device has been upgraded using procurement of the off-the-self hardware and in-house developed software solutions. Recently, a 40 channel fast data acquisition system on PXIe bus (see figure A.3.1.3) is integrated with the machine. A dashboard for signal configuration and signal visualization is developed in Lab VIEW toolkit. Further, this system has been integrated with machine automation system for high current filament powering supply) and probe positioning system on Modbus protocol.

**Diagnostics development:** A triple probe has been fabricated for real time, measurements of temperature fluctuations. Temperature fluctuation measurements will be used to quantify the energy flux. For establishing the triple probe (TLP) technique, we compared the mean electron temperature with HDD-8266

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#### A.3.2 Basic Experiments In Toroidal Assembly (Beta)

In a simple toroidal device, the plasma profiles and properties depend on toroidal magnetic field topology. For example, the toroidal connection length crucially controls the adiabatic or non-adiabatic nature of electron dynamics, which in turn governs the nature of instabilities, fluctuations and transport, the latter of which governs the plasma mean profiles. We discuss results of extensive experiments in a simple toroidal device obtained by controlling the mean parallel connection length Lc of magnetic field Bv, where  $Bv \le 2\%$  of toroidal magnetic field BT. Interestingly, for nearly closed field lines, which are characterized by large values of Lc, it is found that flute-like coherent structures are observed to be dominant and is accompanied by large poloidal flows. For small values of Lc, the mean density on the high field side (HFS) is seen to increase and net poloidal flow reduces while at the same time a turbulent broad band in fluctuation spectrum is observed. Upon a gradual variation of Lc changes in mean plasma potential and density profiles, fluctuation and poloidal flows demonstrates that in a simple toroidal device there exist a strong relationship between Lc, flows and fluctuations. Net flow measured is found independent of the direction of By, but an asymmetry in the magnitude of the flow is found. The observed imbalance between the mean flow, fluctuation driven flow and net flow were also addressed.

#### A.3.3 Interaction Of Low Energy Ion & Neutral Beams With Surfaces

A neutral beam observation system based on micron channel plate (MCP) / phosphor screen has recently been procured. It is a stand-alone system with imaging diameter of 18mm. It has a gain which is in excess of 107 and can detect neutral or ion beam with energy range from 1 eV to 50 keV. Our neutral beam is expected to be the range of 5-100eV, hence it can easily be detected and imaged. However, for this beam observation to function properly, it requires vacuum which is better than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  mbar. The earlier sub-system for the neutral beam detection using a mass spectrometer utilized an oil diffusion pump in conjunction with vane rotary pump. It gave an ultimate vacuum of 5 x 10<sup>-6</sup> mbar which was not suitable for MCP / phosphor screen based observation system, hence needed to be replaced. A new vacuum sub-subsystem using conflat flanges and copper gaskets for housing the neutral beam observation system has been designed and got fabricated at our workshop. Honing, buffing and electro-polishing have been carried out at an outside facility. For pumping, a turbo pump and a dry scroll pump have been procured. The sub-system has just been assembled. After thorough leak tests for no-leaks and baking at 200°C for a few hours it is expected that the ultimate vacuum in the sub-system can be reached in the range of  $1-5 \ge 10^{-8}$  mbar. After that, the new beam observation system will be placed inside the vacuum sub-system and then the sub-system will be connected to the main high density plasma beam vacuum chamber for neutral beam observation experiments to commence.

Variety of small experiments are running in the institute which caters mainly to the Ph.D. programmes and keep the excitations of small physics vibrant throughout the year.

A.3.4 System For Microwave Plasma Experiments (Symple)

The experimental works carried out this year in both Phase-1 and Phase-2 systems of SYMPLE include the following: (i) Enhancements in the plasma characteristics, (ii) Setting up of calibration systems for high frequency diagnostics, (iii) Design and fabrication of a TE10 – TM01 HPM Mode Converter and (iv) Studying various schemes for Phase-2 HPMplasma coupling with the help of analytical and simulation works and initiating fabrication of coupling components.

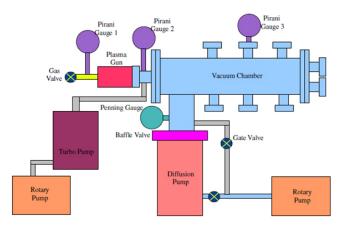


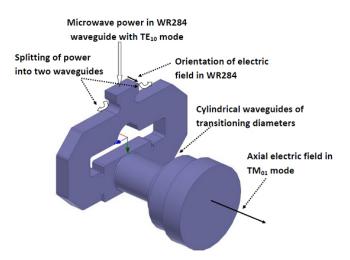
Figure A.3.4.1 Experimental set up showing the differential pumping between the plasma source chamber and experimental chamber

**Enhancements in the plasma characteristics**: By trying various ways of differential pumping and finalizing on a most appropriate scheme, the working pressure in the experimental chamber has been brought down by two orders of magnitude, from  $1 \times 10^{-1}$ mbar to  $< 1 \times 10^{-3}$  mbar. The scheme adopted, installing a Turbo pump between the two chambers is shown in Figure A.3.4.1. An enhancement in density, by more than an order of magnitude in comparison with the density obtained with higher working pressure was thus obtained.

**Development of a Transverse Electromagnetic (TEM) cell for calibration of high frequency diagnostics**: In order to carry out the calibration of various types of high frequency (~ a few Gega Hertz) E-dot and B-dot probes farbricated inhouse by us, a TEM cell has been designed and developed. A TEM cell is nothing but a kind of rectangular coaxial transmission line tapered from both ends to attain 50  $\Omega$  coaxial



Figure A.3.4.2 The TEM cell developed for calibration of high frequency diagnostics



# Figure A.3.4.3 The geometry designed for the mode converter.

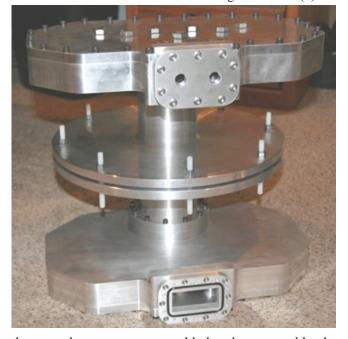
connections. It is a two ports device and consists of a center conductor called septum and two outer conductors equally spaced from the septum. Applying an input pulse (nano second), the position dependent electric field and magnetic field values within the cell can be easily estimated and this cell can be used to calibrate the diagnostic probes. Figure 2 shows a photograph of the TEM cell developed. Excitation and measurement of electromagnetic fields are presently under way

Design and Development of a TE10-TM01 HPM Mode Converter: The 3 GHz, 3MW magnetron to be used for the



Figure A.3.4.4 The fully assembled mode converter (a) and two mode converters assembled and connected back to back (b) to perform S11 and S12 measurements.

Phase-1 SYMPLE experiments has its output in the TE10 mode. As it is required that the electric field of the wave be in parallel direction to the plasma column, an HPM TE10 to TM01 mode converter that is compatible with 4 MW peak power and 5 bar pressure (of SF6 gas used in the coupling section), has been designed and tested. The geometry, shown in Figure A.3.4.3 is designed in such a way that the transverse electric field is rotated by 90 degrees to get its direction parallel to the plasma column axis. The rectangular waveguide input is at the top and it is split into two equal parts which arrive at the same instant of time at the input to the circular waveguide exciting the TM01 mode in a circular waveguide. The circular waveguide axis coincides with the plasma column axis. The diameter of the circular waveguide (88 mm) is stepped up to 300 mm to interface with the plasma chamber. The mode converter is designed for an operating center frequency of 3 GHz, return loss > 20 dB for +/- 20 MHz around the center frequency, and a return loss of > 15 dBfor +/- 35 MHz around the center frequency. A photograph of the fabricated mode converter is shown in Figure A.3.4.4. Two mode converters are fabricated for the purpose of experimental characterization. The S11 and S12 measurements have to be necessarily performed on two mode converters as it is impractical to evaluate the performance of a single mode converter. The two mode converters are assembled and connected back to back as shown in Figure A.3.4.4 (b) for



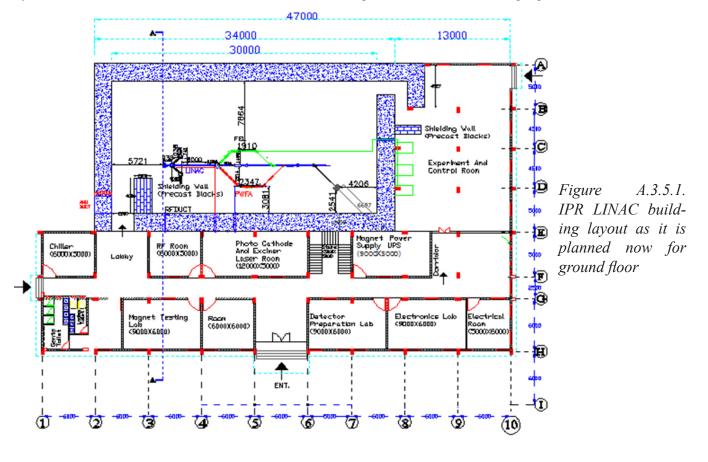
carrying out the return loss and insertion loss measurements.

*HPM Coupling Schemes for Phase-2:* Various schemes are being studied for the HPM (1 GW) coupling to plasma, to measure the forward and reflected power and to carry out matching. This schemes generally include the microwave transmission line, directional coupler and stub tuner along with other components for testing like load and isolator. Various types of directional coupler were tried which include loop type, multi-hole, Bethe-hole and fixed probe type. The fixed probe type gives best results for directivity and coupling.

# A.3.5 Plasma Wake-Field Acceleration Experiment (PWFA)

**LINAC building:** The prime goal of accelerator programme at IPR is to establish a 50 Mev (3 ps) electron beam LINAC facility and demonstrate an electron acceleration gradient of  $\sim 25$  Mev/m in the Plasma Wake Field Acceleration (PWFA) experiment which is being currently pursued. As a part of this ongoing project, the site allotment for the LINAC facility has been done and site clearance has been obtained from Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB). The LINAC system consists of electron gun, LINAC tube, beamlines, RF sources, etc. A radiation shielding calculation for the LINAC facility was carried out to optimize and design the layout for the LINAC facility. The initial layout of LINAC system, its subsystems and different beamlines has been finalized. The LINAC layout including the proposed beamlines and building requirements is shown in figure A.3.5.1. The two storeys LINAC building houses the laboratories and control room for PWFA experiment and LINAC system in the ground floor, and the user labs for developmental work and office space in the first floor. The beam optics design for bending/ quadrupole magnets and low energy beamline for the LINAC system has been initiated in collaboration with RRCAT, Indore.

*Experiments:* The Lithium vapor density characterization studies of the prototype plasma source (40 cm long Li based photo-ionized heat pipe oven) for the proposed PWFA experiment has been carried out with three different optical diagnostics methods (white light, UV absorption and Hook method) as a function of external heat pipe oven (HPO) temperature and Helium buffer gas pressure in the HPO. Hook



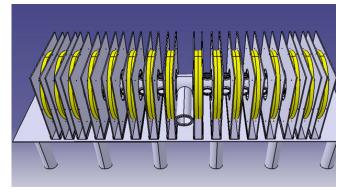
method (Spectrally resolved white light interferometry) has been successfully implemented in the laboratory for the first time for an accurate measurement of the line integrated Li vapor density along the HPO longitudinal axis. Figure A.3.5.2 shows a typical Hook interferogram recorded at different external HPO temperature (200 mbar of Helium buffer gas pressure). Systematic experimental studies to measure Li vapor density in the HPO were carried out using this Hook setup. Also simultaneously Li vapor density measurements were carried out using white light absorption and UV absorption techniques under similar experimental conditions. A comparative study was carried out to derive a calibration plot for UV absorption data from the Hook measurements. The design and fabrication of the one meter long Li based plasma source has been initiated. Experiments for setting up CO2 interferometer to measure the line integrated plasma density in the Li heat pipe oven has been initiated. The design and characterization studies of the CO2 optical components are in progress.

#### A.3.6 Magnetized Linear Plasma Device

Well characterized/reproducible plasma systems are necessary to validate/benchmark various physics models/diagnostics concerning the plasma-wall interface. A new plasma device named APPEL (Applied Plasma Physics Experiments

670.8 mm

Wavelength (nm) Figure A. 3.5.2. Hook Interferogram recorded at different external temperatures of the heat pipe oven  $(P\_Helium = 200 \text{ mbar})$ 



# Figure A. 3.6.1 Schematic of the APPEL showing the configuration of 16 electromagnets (combination of two double pancakes)

in Linear Device) is being developed for investigating the behavior of intensely magnetized plasma and its interaction with external electrodes in the laboratory. The device will provide steady state, high density magnetized plasma confined in a magnetic mirror. To study the effects of oblique magnetized sheaths adjacent to a dc/radio-frequency driven electrodes, a new magnetized CCP (Capacitively Coupled Plasma) set-up has been developed. The device shall be used to validate 2-dimensional PIC simulation results in collaboration with Dublin City University, Ireland. In conjunction, experiments to study the fundamental behavior of sheaths in presence of negative ion containing plasmas are currently in



Figure A. 3.6.2 Experimental set-up for investigating oblique magnetized sheaths



Figure A. 3.6.3 Pin-plane probe for investigating magnetized plasmas

progress. These plasmas have application in the production of neutral beams for heating and current drives in tokamaks. A number of concepts for producing high density plasma based on transverse electric and magnetic fields are being investigated for application in controlled high heat flux plasma material interaction experiments in the controlled laboratory. For investigating the properties of complex plasmas consisting of multi-ion species, strong magnetic fields, large oscillations/ fluctuations in plasma potential, charge particle beams etc; a major focus has been dedicated towards in-house development of plasma diagnostics such as microwave resonator probe, pin-plane probe, and time-resolve technique to determine temporal variation in plasma discharges. Electronics hardware and software for the analysis of single/dual/triple Langmuir in magnetized plasma has been developed for precise analysis of voluminous data from different physics experiments.

#### A.3.7 Experiments On Dusty Plasma

Dusty plasma (complex plasma) is a four component plasma, consisting of electrons, ions, neutrals and charged dust particles. These are ideal systems for modelling nanofluids, phase transitions, transport process, crystal structure etc. The dusty plasma system exhibits different collective effects, for instance vortices, waves, etc. Study of collective effects in dusty plasma is particularly rewarding as one is able to study both the collective effects and motion of the individual micron sized charged dust particles constituting the collective phenomena. The cause of formation of dust vortices and its evolution on changing ambient plasma conditions is under investigation. These studies are being carried out in Complex Plasma Experimental Device (CPED) which was specifically designed to serve as a test bed for the study of vortices. The study of these vortices are particularly very important be-

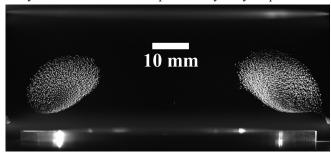


Figure A.3.7.1 The laser sheet is illuminating the dust torus along its diameter that allows us to see diametrically opposite two poloidal cross-sections which basically look like two vertical dust vortices

cause vortices are observed in a number of physical scenarios like smoke rings, wing tips of aircraft, great red spot of Jupiter, etc. A good understanding of the physics of vortices will enhance our understanding of basic physics.

#### A.3.8 A Linear Helicon Plasma Device with Controllable Magnetic Field Gradient

Basic plasma research has been carrying out in the expanding Helicon eXperimental (HeX) plasma system, where plasma expanded from a narrow source to wide expansion chamber. Students are involved to carry out their doctoral studies on several problems such as left polarized wave absorption near electron cyclotron resonance frequency, multiple density peaks due to resonance phenomena at low magnetic fields, dielectric wall charging, resolving electron temperature anomaly in triple probe, Landau damping helicon wave interaction for electron heating etc over the last several years. In this academic year the research focused primarily on the study of transition from single to multiple axial potential structures (MAPS) formation, downstream annular plasma formation and generation of edge localized hot tail electrons. Moreover, generation of supersonic ions and detecting them using a novel retarding field energy analyzer (RFEA) is a most awaited achievement in HeX machine to fulfil one of its primary goals. Two temperature electrons are observed in our low density helicon antenna produce 13.56MHz radiofrequency plasma. Hot electrons are observed only at off-axis by the two techniques. Both cold and hot electron temperatures, estimated by applying two techniques (from semi-logarithmic plot and analog electron energy probability function (EEPF) measurements), are found to be in close agreement. On-axis measurement does not show any indication of presence of energetic electrons. Underline mechanism for this off-axial hot tail electron observation is governed by the way of RF power coupling. Introducing an RF current to an antenna, where the changing magnetic field associated with the antenna current induces an electromagnetic field in the similar way of transformer action to couple RF power. Depending on the coupling mechanism of the RF fields to the plasma, the discharge has been classified into three modes. Electrostatic coupling of RF power with the plasma is called as E-mode and electromagnetic coupling of RF power with the plasma is named as H-mode. In presence of external static magnetic field, these electromagnetic disturbances can propagate at low frequencies (compare to electron plasma frequency: wep) and charge particles can absorb energy from these waves, called W-mode or wave coupling. Distinct density jumps are the representation of transition from one mode to

another either by increasing RF power or strength of external magnetic field. Transition of all three modes (E-H-W) with increasing magnetic field is observed in HeX system Moreover a Matlab code is developed, incorporating the existing theoretical model for radially nonuniform density cylindrical plasma to carry out study of polarization reversal. The radial profiles of helical wave magnetic field component Br, B $\theta$  and Bz, and phase profile of same are computed for different radial density profiles. Our results show the polarization (or phase) of wave gets reversed at certain radial location. The zero crossing of amplitude of radial azimuthal component (B $\theta$ ) is related to wave polarization reversal. The location of polarization reversal can be controlled by the radial wavelength and nonuniform density profile.

#### A.3.9 Non-Linear Dynamics in DC Glow Discharge Plasma

Chaotic mediums are widely appears in the nature. The study of any chaotic mediums is very tedious work. A deterministic system is said to be chaotic whenever its evolution sensitively depends on the initial conditions. A simple DC glow discharge system is used for study of Chaos and nonlinear dynamics. Physics behind the nonlinearity and state of chaos is still the subject of intense study. Currently we are carrying out experiments related to chaos in the DC glow discharge system present in basic lab. Discharge is struck by applying the dc voltage between two metal electrodes and diagnosed by current probe and array of photodiodes. The observation for Paschen curve and I-V characteristics are made to characterize the dc discharge. The presence of hysteresis in I-V characteristics Observations of moving and stationary striation are also made. We also verified the Goldstein-Wehner law for the stratified positive column, which state the dependency of striations length on tube radius and pressure. These experiments are being carried out by the post graduate students from university as a part of their project work. AC fluctuations over dc current as well as AC fluctuations of floating potential are being studied in order to carry out experiments on frequency pulling. The photodiodes measure the discharge light fluctuation. For the fixed 60 cm separation many time series signals have been taken under different parametric condition. Currently we are analysing the data. Electronics required acquiring these signals trough a DAQ system is almost ready and will be used for further experiments.

#### A.3.10 Multi-Cusp Plasma Experiment



Figure A. 3.10.1 Argon plasma in a profiled multi-cusp magnetic field.

The I-type flange was designed, fabricated and tested for the required vacuum. Then the target plate was heated by indirect heating as planned. With some modifications, the heating of the plate was found to be uniform. But the required temperature could not achieved, since at higher biasing voltages arcing was observed. Now the designs of the insulators are being newly looked into to avoid this arcing. In the mean with the already attained temperature, argon plasma was produced and it is being characterized. The visual appearance of the argon plasma clearly shows the profiled magnetic field as shown in the figure A.3.11.1. The characterization of this argon plasma is in progress, which has given many interesting observations. Efforts are on to publish these observations with possible explanations. The welding (molybdenum to molybdenum) of the nozzle pipes to the delivery piped ring has been attempted. It was found the welding was not proper and it has some leaks. The leaks are being fixed and it will be tested for the required high operating temperature as well as uniform gradient temperature all along the delivery pipes starting from the cesium oven to the nozzled to be held close to the hot ionizer plate.

#### A.3.11 Non-Neutral Plasma Experiment (SMARTEX-C)

New electronic-circuits like Comparator, Active voltage attenuators, Transient voltage suppressor and FPGA based trigger as well has associated power supplies have been developed in house. Circuit with provision of multiple injecthold-dump cycles and its integration with main LabVIEW® based control system of SMARTEX-C has also been completed. Support structure of entire SMARTEX-C has been developed with added features. In trap components have been redesigned and fabricated in order to remove shortcomings. A new TF coil has been designed having silver platted copper conductor (AWG 2). Characterization of ion-resonance and resistive wall instabilities in a Nonneutral, pure electron plasma has been done and analysis is being continued.

#### A.3.12 Plasma Torch Activities

Development Work: Developmental work on high power torches was carried forward. Steady-state plasma torch operation was demonstrated at 80 kW power. Enthalpy probe was put up for commercialization. The probe can measure hot gas/plasma temperatures ~2000–10000 K and enthalpies ~MJ/kg. The design is novel; probe can be built in-house and is very cost-effective (approx. 10 times lower than global players). Local industry has evoked interest in buying the technology.

Fundamental studies: The dynamics of plasma arc root and column in the torch was investigated using combination of magnetic (to pick up transients in return current) and fast imaging diagnostics (to capture end-on images) simultaneously. Many interesting results have emerged, throwing light on the role of external magnetic field, current density and flow on the arc dynamics. Results have also revealed the threedimensional nature of arc column as speculated earlier. Close correlation was observed between magnetic and imaging diagnostics, paving the way for possible magnetic tomography of such plasmas, which may help in achieving better process control for a thermal plasma application. Another experiment was set up with a view to investigate the role of fluid dynamic configurations on torch efficiency. Novel gas flow configurations were incorporated in the plasma torch with flexibility to quickly change from one configuration to another.

*Plasma torch modelling:* Several plasma torch models were developed using both commercially available CFD packages and computer codes developed by University of Texas at Austin (UT) with whom collaborative work has been initiated. IPR has been provided with free academic license of the code that will be used to continue the simulation of plasma torch for various geometries and experimental conditions. UT will also help IPR develop its own computational mod-

els for simulating plasma conditions for various applications. The plasma torch laboratory now boasts of the capability of building high power plasma torches by using a combination of predictive scaling laws, computer modelling and physics understanding.

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# A.4. Theoretical, modeling and Computational Plasma Physics

Plasma physics requires a very intense computational capability for its modelling and simulation program. The institute has developed a versatile computational facility in many years. At present work is being done in the the following heads:

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A4.1 Non-Linear Plasma Studies and Simulation

Effect of driving frequency on the electron-sheath interaction and electron energy distribution function in a low pressure capacitively coupled plasmas: The effect of driving frequency (27.12-70MHz) on the electron energy distribution function (EEDF) is investigated in a low pressure capacitively coupled plasma discharge using a self-consistent particlein- cell/ Monte-Carlo collision (PIC/MCC) simulation. At a fixed discharge voltage the EEDF evolves from a strongly bi-Maxwellian at low driving frequency, 27.12MHz, to a convex type distribution at an intermediate frequency, 50MHz, and finally becomes a weak bi-Maxwellian at a higher driving frequency i.e. above 50MHz. The EEDF evolution leads to a two-fold increase in the effective electron temperature up to the transition frequency, 50MHz, whereas, electron density remains constant in this range. After the transition frequency the electron density increases rapidly and the electron temperature decreases. The transition is caused by the transient electric field excited by the bursts of high energy electrons interacting strongly with the sheath edge. Above the transition frequency, the high energy electrons are confined between two opposite sheaths which increase the ionization probability and thus plasma density increases.

Collisionless sheath features of capacitively coupled plasma discharges operating with current driven triple frequency configuration: The CCP (Capacitively coupled plasma) discharge features operating in current driven triple frequency configuration has analytically been investigated and the outcome is verified by utilising 1D3V particle-in-cell (PIC) simulation code. In this analysis the role of middle frequen-

Scientific simulation, which provides a natural bridge between theory and experiment, is an essential tool for understanding complex plasma behaviour. Hence the institute has been developing a versatile computational facilities which are ever growing

cy component of the applied signal has precisely been explored and the discharge parameters are seen to be sensitive to the ratios of the frequency (and current) components. On the basis of analysis and PIC simulation results, the middle frequency component is demonstrated to act as additional control over sheath potential, sheath heating and ion energy distribution function (iedf) of the discharge; the effect of the middle frequency is seen to be pronounced as it approaches to lower frequency component. The PIC estimates for sheath heating is found to be in reasonably good agreement with the analytical prediction based on Kaganovich formulation.

*Collisionless sheath heating in CCP discharges via higher order sinusoidal signals:* Collisionless heating of the electrons in the vicinity of sheath region corresponding to higher order sinusoidal signal in a current driven radio frequency capacitively coupled plasma (RF-CCP) discharge has been investigated analytically and further verified by particle-incell (PIC) simulation. The simulation results for collisionless sheath heating are found to be in good agreement with analytical predictions. In contrast to voltage driven case it is demonstrated that a pure sinusoidal waveform gives maximum electron sheath heating with current driven configuration and the ion energy can be controlled by varying the pulse width while keeping plasma (ion) density constant.

Nonlinear kinetic model of waves and turbulence in hot collisionless plasmas: The evolution and mutual interaction between the nonlinear solitary electron hole (SEH) structures is studied in the electron acoustic regime by means of Vlasov simulations. The high phase-space resolution simulations show signatures of turbulence in the small amplitude, conventionally linear, regime where it is governed by the trapped particle nonlinearity capable of operating on the infinitesimal amplitude of perturbation. The independent and interacting phases of the SEH are observed to closely correspond to detection of nonlinear coherent potential structures in magnetospheric plasmas supplementing the conventional turbulent activity in the space and magnetospheric plasmas.

Fluid simulation of relativistic electron beam driven wakefield in a cold plasma: Excitation of wakefield in a cold homogeneous plasma, driven by an ultra-relativistic electron beam is studied in one dimension using fluid simulation techniques. For a homogeneous rigid beam having density (nb) less than or equal to half the plasma density (n0), simulation results are found to be in good agreement with the analytical work of Rosenzweig Here, this work has been analytically extended to regimes where the ratio of beam density to plasma density is greater than half and results have been verified using simulation. Further in contrast to Rosenzweig's work, if the beam is allowed to evolve in a self-consistent manner, several interesting features are observed in simulation viz. splitting of the beam into beam-lets (for initial beam length > plasma wavelength) and compression of the beam (for initial beam length < plasma wavelength).

#### A.4.2. Laser-Plasma Studies

Polarization dependent energy absorption in the laser-bacteria interaction (with TIFR): Recently we have studied ion acceleration from laser-driven bacteria coated target with ppolarized light. Ion-acceleration has been studied further by varying polarization state of light experimentally at TIFR. Two and three dimensional particle-in-cell (PIC) simulations have been carried out to reproduce those experimental results at IPR. Higher acceleration of electrons is obtained with bacteria coated target at an oblique incidence of 45 degree. Electron yield is calculated with increasing number of ellipsoids on a slab surface. The key mechanism of absorption is identified as an-harmonic resonance.

Ion acceleration using nano-pore (nano-hole) solid surfaces (with TIFR): In the laser-plasma based ion acceleration schemes, generally all ionic species of the same charge-tomass ratio are equally accelerated in the transient longitudinal static electric field formed by the interaction of intense laser with solids. Here, acceleration is seldom mass-selective. The possibility of manipulating such ion acceleration schemes to enhance the energy of one ionic species (either proton or carbon) selectively over another is investigated experimentally in TIFR with nano-pore targets (targets with nano-holes). It is shown that the pore diameter serves as the tuning parameter. At some near relativistic laser intensity the acceleration is found to be optimum for protons when the pore diameter is nearly 15-20 nm and it is favourable for carbon ions when the pore diameter is approximately 60 nm. At IPR, 2D-PIC simulations (with EMPIC2D code) have been carried out taking into the TIFR experimental conditions. Main experimental results have been reproduced by PIC simulations.

Collisional absorption of laser pulse in plasma using Monte Carlo and PIC simulations: Earlier collisional absorption (CA) of a laser light in a homogeneous, under-dense plasmaslab due to electron-ion collision has been studied by using classical and quantum kinetic approaches. It was found that for low laser intensities and low electron temperatures absorption may increase (instead of conventional decrease of absorption with increasing laser intensity). In the present work we are interested to find the anomalous CA (mentioned above) using more appropriate PIC simulations. For this purpose an one-dimensional (1D) electromagnetic particlein-cell (EMPIC1D) code including Monte Carlo binary collisions has been developed. Collisional absorption has been studied in detail at different laser intensities and anomalous collisional absorption is finally identified with this Monte Carlo collision assisted PIC simulations, compared with experiments and earlier theoretical results. Thus anomalous CA is unequivocally proved by theory and simulations.

Investigation of shock-shock interaction and Mach reflection in laterally colliding laser-blow-off plasmas: Interactions of two Li plasma plumes and shock waves are investigated at various pressures (10<sup>-5</sup> to 3 mbar) in the argon gas ambient. Fast imaging and optical emission spectroscopy are used to study the plume dynamics and characteristic emission of plasmas. The plasma plumes are created in laser-blow-off geometry. The expansion of plasma plumes in the ambient gas leads to the formation of an interaction zone. The formation of interaction zone is dependent on the ambient pressure and below a certain pressure, no significant change is observed in the shape and size of the interaction plasma. In the higher pressure, formation of interaction zone and its shape are dependent on ambient pressure. Dynamics of seed plasmas and interaction zone are also affected by the shock-shock interactions. The shock-shock interaction depends on the angle of incidence ( $\alpha$ ) between two shock waves at the initial time of interaction but as the plumes expand, the shock-shock interaction does not follow  $\alpha$  dependence.

Radiation reaction effect on laser driven auto-resonant particle acceleration: The effects of radiation reaction force on laser driven auto-resonant particle acceleration scheme are studied using Landau-Lifshitz equation of motion. These studies are carried out for both linear and circularly polarized laser fields in the presence of static axial magnetic field. From the parametric study, a radiation reaction dominated region has been identified in which the particle dynamics is

Through collaboration, the results from the experiments at TIFR, Mumbai are being explained by theory and simulation which are being done by the group at this institute

greatly effected by this force. In the radiation reaction dominated region, the two significant effects on particle dynamics are seen, viz., (1) saturation in energy gain by the initially resonant particle and (2) net energy gain by an initially nonresonant particle which is caused due to resonance broadening. It has been further shown that with the relaxation of resonance condition and with optimum choice of parameters, this scheme may become competitive with the other present-day laser driven particle acceleration schemes. The quantum corrections to the Landau-Lifshitz equation of motion have also been taken into account. The difference in the energy gain estimates of the particle by the quantum corrected and classical Landau-Lifshitz equation is found to be insignificant for the present day as well as upcoming laser facilities.

#### A 4.3 Dusty and/or Complex Plasma Studies

Analytic structure of the vortex dynamics of a driven dusty fluid in plasma: Flow structure of a dust medium electrostatically suspended and confined in a plasma presents a phase of coupled matter where the spatial scale of a volumetric drive by the plasma flow exceed that of the boundaries confining the dust. By means of the first formal implementation of 2D hydrodynamic model to a confined dust flow and its analytic curvilinear solutions, the present study shows that the eigenmode spectrum of the dust vortex flow can lose correlations with the driving field even at the low dust Reynolds numbers as a result of strong shear and finer scales introduced in the equilibrium dust vorticity spectrum by the boundaries. While the boundary effects can replace the desired turbulent processes unavailable in this regime, the shear observable in most of the dust vortex flows is identified to have a definite exponent of dependence on the dust viscosity over a substantially large range of the latter. These results and scalings allow quantification of the notion of dusty plasma medium as a paradigm for a wide range of natural flow processes having scales inaccessible to ordinary laboratory experiments.

Dusty plasma experiments and their modelling: An interesting analytic result from the 2D analytic formulation of the confined dust set-up was jointly verified by the dusty plasma experiments in the Basic Experiment Laboratory of IPR where generation of multiple vortex were recovered in presence of a non-monotonic sheared drive of the dusty fluid. This work has been already published in this year.

#### A.4.4 Fusion Plasma Studies

Fluctuation induced density scale variations in limiter SOL plasma transport simulations of Tokamak Aditya: The SOL widths derived from radial gradients allow direct estimations of diffusivity in limited and diverted plasmas. The radial variations in a limiter SOL can be modified by the 3D characteristics of the SOL transport as evident in tokamak Aditya where considerably large diffusivities are measured via multiple diagnostics. For a poloidal ring limiter generated SOL of circular plasma in Aditya tokamak, this variation is examined with respect to an effective anomalous cross-field diffusivity originating from the edge turbulence and fluctuations. The modulations in the configuration dominated parallel flow structures are smeared-off by the large fluctuations. The shear is however seen increasing with diffusivity in certain range of parameters. The density gradient scale length shows deviation from the analytic model, arising from the finite poloidal flux contribution and affecting radial gradients. An irregular diffusivity dependence is recovered in scale lengths at downstream locations as compared to a more analytic variation at the upstream locations.

*Study of Tearing Modes with equilibrium shear flows:* We have worked on the understanding of the recent experimental observations related to NTMs stability in presence of plasma rotation as a part of ITPA-MHD TG Joint Activity1 (JA-1). The parts of the work were reported in the JA-1 in ITPA MHD TG meeting at ITER-IO, Cadarache, France on April 14-17, 2015 and in JA-2 in ITPA MHD TG meeting in Toki, Japan on March 21-23, 2016.

Study of Edge Localized Modes with Resonant Magnetic Perturbations: We are continuing our work using CUTIE to understand the dynamics of resonant magnetic perturbations (RMPs) and control of ELMs. We have applied n=2 static external magnetic perturbations to study the effect of RMPs on the dynamics of repetitive ELMs. We are trying to understand RMP results and decided to work further on it to study the influence of pellets etc. We are also working on the model equations for ELMs cycle model. We are developing a basic numerical code to solve the model equations. We have benchmarked earlier results to validate the code. Now we have made some progress for 1D ELMs model in slab geometry. Separate thermal cycle, and current cycle have benchmarked but there is regular pulses but there

The potential applications of dusty plasma physics is tremendous in astrophysical problems as well as in the applied research related to materials sciences. In IPR, both experiments and theory with simulation studies are being pursued vigorously

are sharp pulses when current cycle dominates. In presence of anomalous viscosity in ohm's law, sharp pulse stabilize and more regular pulse observed.

*Role of neutral gas in Scrap-off Layer of Tokamaks:* Role of neutral gas in Scrape-off Layer (SOL) region of tokamak plasma is important as it is expected to modify the plasma

turbulence. This has been investigated using two models, namely strong interaction approximation where the neutrals are treated as diffusive fluid and weak interaction approximation where they are treated as a weakly ionizing mono-energetic beam. Two-dimensional (2D) equations have been used that consists of electron continuity, quasi-neutrality, electron energy and neutral gas continuity equations in the presence of neutral ionization. Further more neutral diffusion has been added for the strong interaction model. For the strong interaction case, growth rate obtained from these equations has been presented using linear theory. It is observed that the growth rate increases with the neutral gas diffusion and ionization coefficients. The nonlinear equations are solved numerically. Radial profiles of plasma density, electron temperature, and electric field have been obtained. It is found that the neutral gas reduces electric fields. More significant reduction of the poloidal electric field has been found by the neutral gas. Time series obtained from the numerical data have been analyzed. A strong decrease of fluctuations of the plasma has been found at the outer region the SOL plasma by the two models. In the weak interaction limit the effect of the neutrals is considerably reduced. 1D model of ELM-PB had been studied using model equations that consists of energy, electrostatic and electromagnetic relaxation equations. Basic features of the ELM-PB crash had been observed by this 1D model

#### A.4.5 Global Gyro-kinetic Studies

Gyrokinetic simulations of Microtearing Mode in large aspect ratio Tokamaks: Collisionless micro-tearing modes have recently been found linearly unstable in sharp temperature gradient regions of large aspect ratio tokamaks. The magnetic drift resonance of passing electrons has been found to be sufficient to destabilise these modes above a threshold plasma. A global gyrokinetic study, including both passing electrons as well as trapped electrons, shows that the non-adiabatic contribution of the trapped electrons provides a resonant destabilization, especially at large toroidal mode numbers, for a given aspect ratio. The global 2D mode structures show important changes to the destabilising electrostatic potential. The threshold for the onset of the instability is found to be generally downshifted by the inclusion of trapped electrons. A scan in the aspect ratio of the tokamak configuration, from medium to large but finite values, clearly indicates a significant destabilizing contribution from trapped electrons at small aspect ratio, with a diminishing role at larger aspect ratios.

#### A.4.6. Non-Neutral Plasma Studies

Studies in Pure Electron, Pure Ion and mixed species nonneutral plasmas: Numerical experiments have been performed to investigate the linear and nonlinear dynamics, and energetics of the ion resonance instability in cylindrically confined non-neutral plasma. The instability is excited on a set of parametrically different unstable equilibria of a cylindrical non-neutral cloud, composed of electrons partially neutralized by a much heavier ion species of single ionization. A particle-in-cell code has been developed and employed to carry out these simulations. The results obtained from the initial exponential growth phase of the instability in these numerical experiments are in agreement with the linearised analytical model of the ion resonance instability. As the simulations delve much further in time beyond the exponential growth phase, very interesting nonlinear phenomena of the ion resonance instability are revealed, such as a process of simultaneous wave breaking of the excited poloidal mode on the ion cloud and pinching of the poloidal perturbations on the electron cloud. This simultaneous nonlinear dynamics of the two components is associated with an energy transfer process from the electrons to the ions. At later stages there is heating induced cross-field transport of the heavier ions and tearing across the pinches on the electron cloud followed by an inverse cascade of the torn sections

#### A.4.7 Molecular Dynamics (MD) Simulations

Molecular dynamics study of laser-driven atomic cluster: Anharmonic resonance absorption of laser light is known to occur when the time-dependent frequency of a laser driven electron in the anharmonic electrostatic potential of a cluster becomes equal to the laser frequency. However, this mechanism is still a matter of debate. For this reason a three dimensional Molecular Dynamics (MD) code for studying the intense laser interaction with atomic nano-clusters has been developed. We have studied multi-particle dynamics of the ionized cluster with electrons (e) and ions (i) interacting (with e-e, e-i, i-i interactions) via Coulomb potential. The pure Coulomb potential being singular (when two particles are very close), it leads to unphysical energy gain. The Coulomb singularity is mitigated using a soft-core Coulomb potential. Extensive parametric studies have been performed and found that only certain values of this soft core parameter (depending upon the system size, system shape and inter-particle distance) lead to correct Mie-plasma frequency (Omega M) and correct plasma oscillation for a spherical system. The verification of Mie-plasma frequency with a spherical electron cloud oscillating in the spherical ion background is completed. Simultaneous studies on laser driven spherical cluster are being carried out using MD simulations.

Fusion Materials: Helium(He) produced by transmutation process inside structural material due to neutron irradiation plays a vital role in the degradation of material properties. We have carried out Molecular dynamics(MD) simulations to study the growth of He bubble in Iron-Chromium alloy. Simulations are carried out at two different temperatures, viz. 0.1 K and 800 K, upto He bubble radius of 2.5 nm. An equation for variation of volume of He bubbles with the number of He atoms is obtained at both the temperatures. Bubble pressure and potential energy variation is obtained with increasing bubble radius. Dislocations are also found to be emitted after the bubble reaches a critical radius of 0.39 nm at 800 K. Separate MD simulations of He with pre-created voids are also carried out to study the binding energies of He and Vacancy (V) to He m -V n cluster. Binding energies are found to be in the range of 1e5.5 eV.

Strongly coupled plasmas under gravitational field - a Molecular Dynamics study: Yukawa liquids in 2D when subject of external gravity and temperature gradient, is shown to be susceptible to Rayleigh-Benard convection. Unlike fluids whose constituent parts interact via short range, the Yukawa liquid shows remarkable dependence on the coupling strength. For example, whereas short range systems show a quadratic dependence of flow on the external temperature difference, Yukawa fluids show a novel linear dependence. This and several other properties have been addressed.

*Molecular Dynamics study of Pair-Ion Plasmas:* Existence of phase transition in strongly coupled pair-ion plasmas with soft core is investigated. Extensive Molecular Dynamics (MD) simulations are performed in the canonical ensemble, for such plasmas, at different temperatures, to analyze phase stability. Our studies show interesting phase co-existence between liquid-like and vapor-like phases. The different phases are identified by calculating the ensemble averaged density. This and the corresponding critical properties are calculated directly from MD simulation. The critical temperature of vapor-liquid coexistence is obtained, and the corresponding critical value of density is also estimated for different sizes of the soft core. We have used a novel method that allows the location of phase coexistence through a constant density simulation in which the temperature is changed in a single time-step (quenching) in order to place the system in a thermodynamically and mechanically unstable state, resulting in spontaneous separation of two coexisting phases. The results obtained from this temperature quench MD method also show the coexistence of vapor-liquid phase in pair-ion plasmas. The critical exponents obtained directly from MD simulation are found to be in close agreement with the values predicted by a mean-field theory.

Study of Kolmogorov Flow In Strongly Coupled 2D Yukawa liquids: The transition from laminar to turbulent flows in liquids remains a problem of great interest despite decades of intensive research. Here, we report an atomistic study of this transition in a model Yukawa liquid using molecular dynamics simulations. Starting from an thermally equilibrated Yukawa liquid, for a given value of coupling parameter (defined as ratio of potential energy to kinetic energy per particle) and screening length a subsonic flow of magnitude U0 is superposed and transition to an unstable regime is observed eventually leading to turbulent flow at sufficiently high Reynolds numbers. We have performed a parametric study for a range of Reynolds number Ry and found that the flow is neutrally stable for R < Rc, turbulent flow occurs for R > Rc where Rc is the critical value of Reynolds number. Strong molecular shear heating is observed in all cases studied here. It is found that the coupling parameter decreases because of molecular shear heating on a time scale comparable to the instability time scale. Irrespective of the initial value of coupling parameter, the average heating rate is found to be sensitive to the ratio of equilibrium flow speed to the thermal speed. Our results reported here are expected to be generic and should apply to a wide variety of strongly coupled systems such as laboratory dusty plasma, molten salts, and charged colloidal systems.

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# **CHAPTER B**

# ACTIVITIES ON OTHER CAMPUSES.

The following are activities done on other campuses and sometimes as sponsored projects, even though the work done is all under the mandate of the Institute. There are three other campuses at present as following :

B.1 Facilitation Center for Industrial Plasma
Technology (FCIPT) Activities
B.2 ITER-India
B.3 Center of Plasma Physics - Institute for Plasma
Research (CPP-IPR), Guwahati57

# **B.1 Facilitation Center for Industrial Plasma Technologies (FCIPT) Activities**

Completion of LPSC/ISRO Plasma Thruster Project: Electric propulsions are under investigation as a technology aiming to achieve thrust with high exhaust velocities in satellites, this results in a reduction in the amount of propellant required for a given space mission or application compared to other conventional propulsion methods. Hall Effect Thrusters already been installed and used in satellites due to their longer stability and reproducible thrust efficiency. Choice of anode liner material, magnetic field configuration and over all material properties of all components used in the thruster is crucial for the long stable operation of the thrusters. The propellant gas is basically ionised and ions are accelerated in electric propulsion to produce the thrust. Ceramic wall erosion due to ion induced sputtering is a life-limiting mechanism in Plasma Hall Effect thrusters used in satellites. Owing to relatively long lifetimes of thruster devices, effects of sputter erosion of thrusters ceramic and its deposition on sensitive equipment such as spacecraft solar cell are under investigation. Due to the lower sputtering yield Boron Nitride (BN) is used as ceramic material in plasma thrusters. The current research work was focused to investigate the erosion behaviour of the anode liner materials at various ion energies and angle of incidence, change in magnetic permeability of the material at elevated temperature, change in magnetic field topology of the magnetic circuit at elevated temperatures and surface flash over effects. For conducting such experiments first time in India, two in-situ facilities were developed at FCIPT/IPR equipped with ion sources, Quartz Crystal Microbalance (QCM) sensors, fast magnetic probes and data acquisition systems. Such studies were found to be very beneficial for ISRO 's ongoing Plasma Thruster Program.



Figure B.1.1 Developed experimental setup for magnetic field mapping of the hall thruster

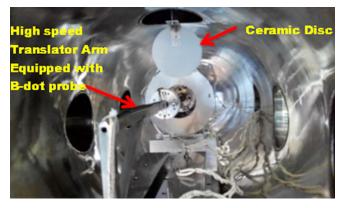


Figure B.1.2 High speed translator arrangement inside the vacuum chamber for magnetic field mapping

**Completion of DST Nanomission Project :** This was a part of three projects funded by DST Nanomission of India. The major objective of the project was to develop a method for growing highly ordered metal nanoparticles arrays and investigate their optical properties for plasmonics solar cell and sensing application. In this study low energy ions were used to produce self-organized nanosized ripple/dot like pattern on the surface, which later used as template to grow nanoparticles arrays as shown in Figure B.1.3. A spectroscopic ellip-

This activity facilitates a good running relation between the institute and the industries with the latest technological developments in plasma science and technology. In the past, many developed technologies have been commercialized through MOUs with many private industries

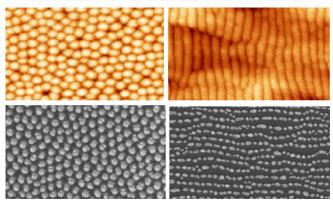


Figure B.1.3 AFM images of Nanodot and Nano ripple like structures

someter was procured under this project and used for optical characterisation of the silver nanoparticles. It was found that lager incident light field enhancement in silver nanoparticles arranged along the ripple help to see higher Surface Enhanced Raman Scattering SERS intensity compared to randomly distributed nanoparticles this is very encouraging results for sensing application. Hexagonally arranged silver nanoparticles grown on GaSb dots surface are highly light absorbing and can be used as top layer of plasmonic solar cell.

**Completion of DST FAST Track Young Scientist Funding Scheme project:** This project grant is awarded to a young scientist for conducting research. The objective of the project was to investigate pattern formation by means of plasma material interaction. A small experimental facility was developed to systematically vary the ion energy and flux of incident ions (figure B.1.4). Normal incidence of ions leads to self-organised dot patterns. It was observed that nanodots patterns grow bigger with ion energies and become smaller with increasing flux. The results were also compared with existing theories. The project is successfully completed.

Pulsed power source for Plasma Nitriding Applications technology has been successfully transferred to M/s Auto Controls, Mumbai: Power source is the most critical component of industrial plasma system. Its efficient and reliable operation is utmost necessary. Additionally for an industrial



Figure B.1.4 Developed Experimental facility for investigating pattern formation



Figure B.1.5 Image of the 25KW pulsed power source

system it is necessary that it should have the capability to run smoothly with minimum human intervention. Considering above facts FCIPT, IPR has designed an indigenous pulsed power source for industrial plasma nitriding system. The performance of this design has been critically validated in various in-house developed plasma nitriding systems. From the success of satisfactory performance of home grown technology and to meet the growing demand from various users it was realized to commercialize this technology. A Mumbai based industry "M/S Auto Controls" has shown deep interest to commercialize FCIPT, IPR technology for Indian entrepreneurs and business houses. FCIPT, IPR has successfully transferred this technology and the first product has been successfully commissioned and is in operation.

*Surface hardening by radical nitriding process:* Plasma nitriding process has been widely used by many industries to increase the life of the component by surface hardening. This low temperature, low pressure process not only increases the surface hardness but also the corrosion and wear resistance of the components. Hence this process can be used to improve the life of the agricultural components. But this process suffers from many limitations like high surface roughness, high capital cost and arcing during the process which may damage sharp edges. In order to overcome these limitations, a new



Figure B.1.6 a) Cathodic cage made of hollow tubes with sample in the center b) plasma formed on the cathodic cage.

advanced process called radical nitriding process has been developed in FCIPT with the assistance of Department of Science and Technology (DST), New Delhi. In this process, the material which is at floating potential is kept in a cathodic cage having many holes. Plasma of nitrogen/hydrogen gas mixture is formed on the cathodic cage. The active species are released from the plasma and get deposited on the material which than diffuses in to the material with time. As a result, the surface hardness of the material increases without leading to any significant change in surface roughness. This technology can help the industry for reducing the operating cost of process and retaining the sharpness of the cutting tools which is a very effective factor for the cutting industries. Radical Nitriding process has the following advantages compared to the conventional plasma Nitriding process. (i) Low power consumption, (ii) No ring formation near edge, (iii) No change in surface roughness, (iv) No hollow cathode effects in holes hence no overheating of individual parts, (v) No post treatment required for surface finish, (vi) Better control on white layer growth, (vii) No arc generation on finished surface and (viii) Environment friendly technology. In FCIPT, the cathodic cage was prepared by using hollow pipes to create a hollow cathode effect as shown in Fig. 8a. This enabled us to generate higher amount of radicals as well as helped in raising the temperature of the material to be treated. Radical nitriding of En 24 steel specimens were carried out in a cage made of hollow pipes as shown in Figure B.1.6. Several experiments were conducted by varying the distance between the specimen and the top plate of the cathodic cage.

Atmospheric Pressure Plasma Jet: A state of the art type atmospheric pressure plasma jet using dielectric barrier discharge has been developed. The plasma jet so formed is touchable by bare hands and can be used for bio-medical ap-



#### Figure B.1.7 Photo of single jet and multiple jet using atmospheric pressure plasma

plications. It also can be used for the surface modifications of larger areas. Much of this work has been done in house. Plasma apparatus is portable and operated by 24 V battery. It uses Argon gas. It operates at 2.5 W power and 25-55 kHz frequency. Possible applications include Blood Coagulation, Skin Disease treatment, Pesticides Removal, Seed Germination, Surface Activation of Polymers etc.

*Low cost, user friendly Langmuir Probe for Plasma Diagnostics:* Langmuir Probe is commonly used device for measurement of plasma parameters such as plasma density, electron temperature, plasma potential etc. FCIPT-IPR developed Langmuir Probe has programmable probe movement with a spatial resolution of less than 0.2 mm. Using this probe it is very easy to measure plasma parameters in different positions over 250 mm distance. Cost and efforts for development of plasma process can be saved by using such type of probe. This Plasma Diagnostic Probe can be useful to researchers who are working in the field of plasma processing.

**Enthalpy Probe diagnostics for hot gas Measurements:** For any application which involves use of hot gas / thermal plasma, a precise knowledge of temperature and enthalpy of the plume in two or three dimensions would be of great advantage because it can reduce design cycle times and fabrication costs. This diagnostic probe survives inside the hot gas / plasma plume and gives information about temperature, enthalpy and flow profiles. Enthalpy probe has been put up for commercialization. The probe can measure hot gas/plasma temperatures ~2000–10000 K and enthalpies ~MJ/kg. The design is novel; probe can be built in-house and is very cost-effective (approx. 10 times lower than global players). Local

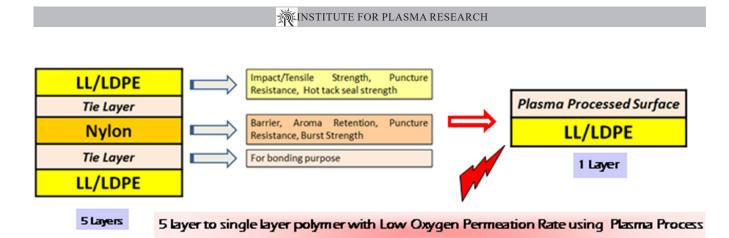


Figure B.1.9 Lay out of Oxygen Diffusion Barrier Coating for Packaging & Flexible Electronics

industry has evoked interest in buying the technology.

Oxygen Diffusion Barrier Coating for Packaging & Flexible Electronics: This type of coating on polymeric substrate is an essential part of modern packaging for protection of food and pharmaceutical products against outside environment. To overcome this problem, multi-layered (3-11 layers) film structures are being used for flexible pouch packaging. This adds the cost to packaging as well as disposal issues due to non-recyclability. A very thin coating ~ 100 nm thickness using plasma process has been developed which is able to prevent oxygen diffusion through polymer film. Oxygen Transmission Rate (OTR) value of virgin polymer (for this case polyethylene) is 3300 cc/m<sup>2</sup>/day and plasma processed polymer is less than 300 cc/m<sup>2</sup>/day which is almost 10 times lower. Research is still underway at FCIPT, IPR to further reduce OTR value.

*Improving anti-felting properties of Wool by Atmospheric Pressure Plasma:* Woollen products have a problem of shrinkage and pilling when exposed to aqueous medium, while laundering. This happens due to its inherent property of felting. Atmospheric pressure air plasma can modify the



Figure B.1.10 (a) Untreated Merino wool fiber (b) Plasma treated Merino wool fiber

physio-chemical surface properties of wool fiber, which can improve its anti-felting and dye-uptake characteristics.

## **B.2. ITER-India**

In the past one year ITER-India made significant progress in the ITER project. During this period, the ITER-India project has entered into the manufacturing for few packages. The details of the activities completed under different packages/ heads are given below.

ITER, an international project, is an experimental Fusion Reactor being constructed presently at Cadarache, in the South of France. ITER is a step towards future production of electricity from fusion energy

## B.2.1 In-Wall Shielding (IWS)

The ITER Vacuum Vessel is a double wall structure, and IWS blocks shall be placed between outer and inner shells of Vacuum Vessel (VV) to stop escaping the neutrons and to reduce the toroidal magnetic field ripple. These shielding blocks are made of SS 304B4, SS 304B7, SS 430 and SS 316L (N)-IG and Fasteners (Bolts, Nuts, Spacers, Washers etc.) are made from XM-19 and Inconel-625. The manufacturing of IWS blocks is in progress at Avasarala Technologies Ltd. Bangalore. Rigorous Factory Acceptance Tests of (i) IWS blocks, (ii) Platforms, (iii) Brackets and (iv)two block assembly on support rib to check actual assembly issues were carried out. CMM and digital gauges were mainly used for all dimension inspection. Assembly of IWS blocks with different shapes

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Figure B.2.1 In-Wall Shielding factory acceptance tests

and high accuracy and vacuum packing for high cleanliness during transportation and storage were carried out. Large numbers of blocks and components have been manufactured and ready for assembly. Factory acceptance testing successfully conducted for several batches of IWS components. Support Ribs-Lower Bracket (SR-LB) assemblies, IWS blocks, platforms & studs shipped in several batches to Europe and Korea. Fabrication and factory acceptance tests of rest of components is in progress.

#### B.2.2 Cryostat

The ITER cryostat—the largest stainless steel high-vacuum pressure chamber ever built (16,000 m3)—provides the high vacuum, super-cool environment for the ITER vacuum vessel and the superconducting magnets. Nearly 30 metres each

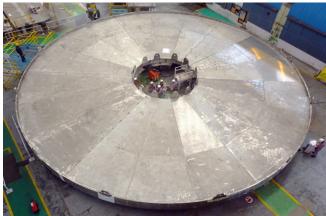


Figure B.2.3 Cryostat – Base Tier 1 Trial assembly at L&T Hazira



Figure B.2.2 In-Wall Shielding packed for transportation to French site

in width and height, the internal diameter of the cryostat has been determined by the size of the largest components its surrounds: the two largest poloidal field coils. Manufactured from stainless steel, the cryostat weighs 3,850 tonnes. Its base section—1,250 tonnes—will be the single largest load of ITER Tokamak assembly. The Cryostat will be manufactured in about 54 pieces that will form 4 main sections – Base, Lower Cylinder, Upper Cylinder & Top Lid. Fabrication of Tier-1 components of Cryostat Base section was completed, followed by successful inspection & trial assembly of all the 6 sectors at the manufacturer site. Each component/sector weighs nearly 50 tons, which were then packed and transported on special trailers to the Hazira port. These heavy pieces were then loaded on the ship and sent to France. Being a heavy exceptional load, the shipment traversed along the spe-



Figure B.2.4 Cryostat – Base Tier 1 components delivered at Cryostat workshop on ITER site

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Figure B.2.5 First batch of piping delivered to ITER site, France

cial road "ITER itinerary" from Marseille port to ITER site, and the components reached the Cryostat workshop at ITER site during December 2015. The delivery of Tier-1 Base section components marks the arrival of the first ITER core machine components on site and also validates the achievement of the milestone ahead of schedule.Fabrication activities further progressed for Cryostat Base Section Tier-2 components and Lower Cylinder Tier-1 components at manufacturer site (L&T Heavy Engineering, Hazira

#### **B.2.3** Cooling Water system

Certain ITER systems/components will be working on specific temperature during the operation, this temperature is needed to be kept in the required margins. Cooling water system is needed to take away heat from the various components/



#### Figure B.2.6 Sump Model Test of Cold Basin

systems and reject this in to the atmosphere. The first batch of Lot-1 piping fabrication was completed and the pipes were delivered to ITER site. Total 66 piping spools were dispatched from factories till March end. The Final Design Review of Lot-2 and Lot-3 piping was carried out. The Final Design Review of Heat Rejection System was also carried out. Final design activities for rest of piping & equipment progressed further. The Manufacturing Readiness Review (MRR) was conducted for piping fabrication & manually operated valves at the respective manufacturing locations. Sump Model Test was also carried out the pump manufacturer site.

#### **B.2.4** Cryodistribution & Cryolines

The Cryogenic system is required at ITER for the operation of superconducting magnets and cryopumps. The Cryodistribution and Cryolines (CDCL) system, one of the Indian



Figure B.2.7 As installed Pre-series Cryo-Line PTCL-1) in ITER-India lab

contributions to ITER, have advanced to the next crucial level, where critical design outcomes have been experimentally validated with 1:1 scale performance evaluation at 4 K temperature level. CDCL team is proud to demonstrate the largest supercritical helium mass flow of 3.4 kg/s at 4.5 K by a single unit of centrifugal pump termed as cold circulator so far in the world. The Preliminary Design Review (PDR) of Lot Y1 and the Final Design Review of Lot Y2 cryolines have been completed. The manufacturing phase of 1st Pre-series Cryoline (PTCL-1) was completed, which was then transported; installed and necessary tests such as pressure tests, leak tests and radiography tests were performed at ITER-India Laboratory. The cold test of the PTCL-1 was also carried out which gave excellent results, and further experimental validation is ongoing. As a part of R&D, manufacturing and factory acceptance of the Test Auxiliary Cold Box (TACB) has been completed. Manufacturing and factory acceptance tests of Cold Circulator -1 (CC-1) and Cold Circulator -2 (CC-2) have been successfully completed fulfilling very rigorous dual regulatory requirements of Europe and Japan resulting CE certificate and KHK certificate simultaneously. Installation and commissioning of the TACB, two cold circulators as well as all the interfacing cryolines, vacuum pump, cooling water line, electrical and control system have been successfully completed at the test facility in JAEA-Naka, Japan. Final acceptance test of TACB has been completed demonstrating the required performance. The qualification test of two cold circulators has been successfully completed. ITER Cryodistribution (CD) system is one of the cooling buffer for the ITER project which will handle dynamic loads coming from application i.e. magnets, cryopump etc. There are seven cold boxes in this system. The contract was awarded to M/s. Linde Kryotechnik AG. Design kick off and preliminary design of Cryoplant termination cold box (CTCB)

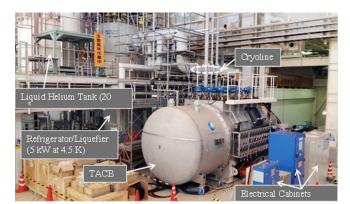


Figure B.2.8 Test Auxiliary Cold Box with two Cold Circulators installed at test facility, Japan

has been successfully completed. Preliminary design of Auxiliary Cold Boxes is now ongoing.

#### **B.2.5** Ion Cyclotron Heating & Current Drive Sources

**O**ne of the important auxiliary heating and current drive methods for ITER plasma is by using radio frequency waves in the Ion Cyclotron Resonant Frequency (ICRF) range. Total 20 MW of ICRF power will be launched using 8 nos. of sources, each unit of having 2.5 MW/Continuous Wave (CW) capabilities, a Prototype unit is also included in this package for demonstrating the technology. India is responsible for supplying total 9 (1 Prototype and 8 series production) complete ICRF sources for ITER project. To identify the

India is a full partner in the ITER project, in which India would contribute in-kind like cryostat vessel, power supplies, cooling pipe-lines, some diagnostics systems etc which would be designed and manufactured according to international standards.

best high power vacuum tube (Diacrode/Tetrode) and other critical components for ITER application, an R&D program has been initiated. Two major contracts have been launched



Figure B.2.9 Tetrode based system under factory tests



Figure B.2.10 Tetrode based system under factory tests with dummy loads

with Thales Electron Devices, France for Diacrode technology and with Continental Electronics Corporation, USA for Tetrode technology, to finalize technical choices of vacuum tube technologies for final stage amplifier. 3MW test rig simulating mis-match load condition has been developed at ITER-India test facility. The Diacrode based system - Driver stage amplifier (HPA-2) and Final stage amplifier (HPA-3) have been assembled and installed successfully with other sub-systems like, low power RF section, Pre-driver amplifier (HPA1, based on solid state technology), auxiliary & high voltage power supplies, controls, air/water cooling and 3 MW Dummy Load via 12" Transmission-line system at ITER-India, IPR lab. HPA-2 was tested independently for static test as well as RF test for 130 kW/2000s at 35, 45, 55 & 65 MHz successfully on 50 Ohm dummy load. Integrated system has been tested successfully on matched condition for 1.5 MW at 35, 45, 55 and 65 MHz with +/-1 MHz bandwidth at 1dB point for more than 2000 s, creating an important database for international fusion community. For tetrode based system, factory tests were conducted at 750 kW/2000s & 2MW/short pulse (msec order) for 35 MHz & 65 MHz, after stabilization of the system against spurious and higher order mode oscillation. Bandwidth of the integrated system was tested at relatively lower power level (~ 120 kW) for the entire frequency range 35 - 65 MHz successfully

#### **B.2.6 Electron Cyclotron Heating (ECH) system**

The ITER EC H&CD system will be used for plasma heating and current drive applications including plasma start up. In this context, the Indian Domestic Agency (ITER-India) has a procurement package (EC Gyrotron Source Package) whose main scope is to supply a set of two high power state of the art Gyrotron sources (170 GHz/1MW/3600s) including their auxiliary systems. The execution approach includes procurement of high power gyrotron tubes on functional specification basis and establishment of complete integrated performance. A Gyrotron Test Facility (IIGTF) with prototype auxiliary systems is being developed to establish the integrated Gyrotron system performance. Procurement activities related to Test Gyrotron & Corrugated Waveguide components for the Test Facility have progressed further and a review of current R&D status of potential suppliers has been completed. Regarding the test facility cooling infrastructure, based on the gyrotron supplier technical feedback, design optimization and analysis has been completed for cooling Header and distribution manifold. As an alternate solution to PSM based Gyrotron

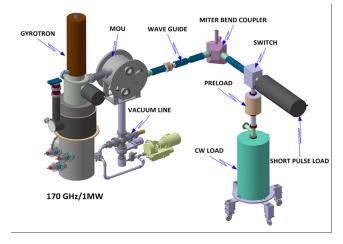


Figure B.2.11 Test Gyrotron & Waveguide test setup



Figure B.2.12 Industrial grade fault protection unit

Body Power Supply, an R&D activity using fast HV switches is ongoing to fulfil the fast modulation requirements. Under this activity, a fast H.V switch (35kV/100mA/1kHz modulation) has been procured. Proof of concept through the experimental setup using equivalent RC load is in advanced stage and promising initial test results have been achieved. Fast interlock system plays very important role in ensuring the safe operation of Gyrotron system. In this context, an Industrial grade centralized protection unit based on ITER-India design is currently being developed with the help of local industry. Under this development, component assembly & mechanical chassis assembly for Digital and analog modules has been completed and function testing has been carried out.

To avoid RF breakdown, the output waveguide line including the dummy load has to be evacuated for 1 MW Gyrotron operation. In this regard, an appropriate vacuum pumping system and various components have been procured, assembled and tested for required specifications.

#### **B.2.7** Diagnostic Neutral Beam (DNB)

The Diagnostic Neutral Beam (DNB) (3 Seconds ON/20 Seconds OFF with 5 Hz modulation) in ITER is mandated to provide 100 kV, ~18-20 Amperes Hydrogen beam to support the Charge Exchange Recombination Spectroscopy (CXRS) for the measurement of Helium ash in the ITER machine.

Indian Test Facility (INTF) vacuum vessel with the Diameter of 4.4m & Length 23m has been manufactured, commissioned and successfully tested in terms of its operational and functional requirements. The Ultimate vacuum of 10-5mbar is achieved and the deflection during evacuation is well within the tolerance. Leak tightness of the INTF Vessel is also achieved within the required limit, which is in the range 10<sup>-9</sup>mbar.l/s (local) and 10<sup>-6</sup> mbar.l/s (global). Contract has been awarded to M/s PVA Tepla for the supply of Beam Line Components. Under this contract, Neutralizer, Residual

Ion Dump & Calorimeter will be manufactured. Hardware integration & data cable routing is carried out for all of the diagnostics in design (CAD) model of INTF. Data acquisition, Control & electrical requirements for diagnostics are generated. An experiment to estimate unknown emissivity is carried out for Carbon Fiber Composite (CFC) & Stainless Steel material using heat source, thermocouple & FLIR IR camera. In Cavity Ring Down Spectroscopy (CRDS), vacuum cavity is setup & extensive hardware characterization is done. A concept based on plasma density dependent plasma impedance for characterizing the RF driver plasma using RF electrical parameters was developed earlier and themodel is now updated with incorporation hybridization of physics & electrical concepts. 50 kV prototype High Voltage Bushing (HVB), a scale down configuration of DNB HVB is experimentally validated for its performance. Configurations of insulators, stress shields and other connecting flanges have been finalized and are fabricated. Manufacturing of 12 nos of Cryopump module LN2 section (Height - 3.2 m, Length - 0.54 m and Width - 0.3 m) is ongoing. Experimental preparation of Cryocooler based cryopump is going on for first phase experiment. Cryocooler has been procured and its testing in experimental vessel is in progress. Manufacturing and procurement of required components is in progress. Major technologies in the Beam Line Components (BLC) have been developed in collaboration with NFTDC. Under this program, CuCrZr raw material complying with all ITER chemical composition restrictions has been developed. Deep drilling over a length of 1.5 m in CuCrZr & OF Copper has been demonstrated and Electron Beam Welding of CuCrZr-Ni-SS 316L has been successfully done. 1 No. each of Scaled



Figure B.2.13 IN-TF Vacuum Vessel

and Full Scale Neutraliser Panel, 10 Nos. each of Residual Ion Dump (RID) Tube Elements and Heat Transfer Elements (HTE) have been manufactured.

#### **B.2.8 ITER-India, Power Supply Group**

The PS Group is responsible for design, development and supply of various Mega Watt (MW) High Voltage power supplies (HVPSs) for DNB, ICH&CD and ECH&CD system of ITER, France and for SPIDER experiments at Neutral Beam Test Facility, Padova, Italy. PS group is responsible to support R&D for the same systems at ITER-India lab. PS group is also engaged in developing Indian Industry for their participation in ITER and similar programme, including prototype efforts. Under manufacturing contract (for DNB-AGPS and SP-AGPS) to Electronics Corporation of India Ltd. (ECIL); major components have been manufactured at various facilities in India. 2.8MVA Oil filled mulstisecondary transformers to IEC standards were manufactured by M/s. T&R (I) Ltd. Ahmedabad. Challenging task include accommodating 150 ¬terminals on the side wall by utilising specially cast epoxy boards that demonstrated high voltage withstand up to 140kVDC. 60kW SPS modules manufactured by M/s. AMTECH, Gandhinagar been tested for stringent requirements of EMC - Class A, severe environmental, vibration and shock test for oceanic transport. PXI based RT controller with FPGA was developed at ECIL, communicating over 700 channels in the field. Test setup developed by ITER-India replicating close to field interface was the highlight, paved the way for rigorous testing. Factory acceptance tests with participation of ITER Organization team have been conducted successfully. Manufcatured components of SP-AGPS



Figure B.2.14 2.8MVA Oil filled mulstisecondary transformers to IEC standards were manufactured by M/s. T&R (I) Ltd. Ahmedabad.

have been organised for shipment to Test facility, Padua, Italy while DNB-AGPS received at ITER-India lab. As a part of R&D programme at ITER-India lab, Dual Output (27/18kV) High Voltage Power Supply is integrated and commissioned with ICRF source. Successful operations for 200, 500, 750 kW, 1500kW RF power @ 55MHz were conducted; with HVPS delivering regulated & stable electrical power up to 2800kW. High Voltage Transmission line that is a coaxial structure designed for >10MW power transport including RF power, Hydraulics and gas feed lines, was assembled at facility in Pune. Prototype section of 3.5m is delivered at ITER-India lab for HVDC testing. Extended length of 25m will support DNB experiments at ITER-India lab, similar solution will support ITER deliveries at later stage. Indigenous development of 40kW solid state High Frequency (1MHz) Power supply (HFPS) for Plasma formation in Ion Source, initiated with Industry and design being assessed.

#### **B.2.9 ITER-India Diagnostics**

First Preliminary Design Review (PDR-1) of Safety Important Class-1 (SIC-1) XRCS-Survey sight tube is carried out this year. The preliminary design & engineering, neutronics analysis of Survey spectrometer and XRCS Edge system are in progressive development. For XRCS systems, Plant I&C deliverables such as System Requirement Specifications, System Design Specifications, Operation procedures etc. have progressed for integrated PDR. Two I&C kits are received from ITER Organization, France and preparations are ongoing for their utilization in learning various functionalities and further development. For laboratory R&D experiments, most of the components have been ordered for con-



Figure B.2.15 Prototype section of 3.5m of High Voltage Transmission line

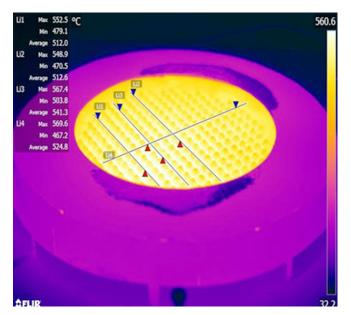


Figure B.2.16 IR image of the indigenously developed high temperature (~ 800 °C) blackbody source for calibration of 70 to 1000 GHz spectrometer.

ventional X-ray source and optical setup required for testing curved diffractors. The measurement of X-ray fluorescence from SS-316 target was done to establish the energy calibration of fast silicon drift detector. Engineering design and purchase of the components are under progress for constructing a single channel prototype crystal spectrometer and characterizing it with a broad band X-ray source based on XRF. For Electron Cyclotron Emission (ECE) diagnostic system, design, fabrication & assembly of components (vacuum enclosure, scanning engine, THz detector system etc.) for Polarizing Martin-Puplett type FTS are completed, and testing is under progress. Fabrication of prototype transmission line waveguide components is also progressing. Specifications have been developed for quasi optical power-splitter unit. Procurement activities for mm wave source (110-170 GHz) have been initiated. Software development for integration of prototype calibration source with CODAC is ongoing. For Upper Port 9, detail designing and integration of the diagnostics systems is in the preparation for PDR. System integration review for the detailing of the interfaces is scheduled. Technical activities like thermo-hydraulic analyses, Electromagnetic Analysis, assessment of cooling requirements for DSM, design of cooling channels, interface detailing, integration studies etc. are in progress. For Generic Upper Port Structure (GUPP), technical specifications are sent to nominated industries and common manufacturing schedule is being developed.

# **B.2.10** Activities of the Fusion Physics, Information Technology and IO-DA coordination group

Modelling of disruptions in DIII-D and CMOD tokamaks for studying dependence of halo current magnitude on halo parameters, e.g. halo temperature and width was continued as part of an ITPA activity of MHD working group W10. So far 3 experimental discharges in DIII-D and one CMOD discharge using the TSC code were modelled. Total 4 discharges in each machine will be modelled. Progress of this work was reported in ITPA meeting in October 2015 in Naples, Italy, as also through videoconferencing in the March IRPA meeting in NIFS, Japan. Participation in Science & Technology Advisory Committee (STAC) meetings was made. The IT group continued its efforts in continuous improvement in providing IT services to ITER-India personnel.

#### B.2.11 Activities common to all packages and project office

Monthly Package review meetings were conducted, budget estimates were prepared and payments were tracked. Regular schedule updates were made and reported at International organization. Ensured compliance to Quality Management System through various documents (Quality plan, Manufacturing & Inspection Plans, Procedures etc.) reviews. Adherence to modern international project management practices and also implementation of Intellectual Property Management (IP) activities through pre-screening of publications for IP and enforcing IP provisions in contracts with industry. Reporting of the developments to the public was also done through ITER Newsline and ITER Annual Report.

*Neutronics group activities:* Development and Validation of ACTYS, an Activation Analysis code was done. ACTYS is a point activation depletion solver tailored for fusion applications. Sets of rigorous validations including validations against analytical results, fusion validations suggested by IAEA and against calculations of ITER systems are performed. First version of the code is planned to be released soon at national level. Neutronics, shielding and rad waste analysis for X-Ray Crystal Spectrometer planned to be placed at Equatorial Port Plug-11 of ITER is completed. This work is used to defend the neutronics part of said system at PDR.

#### **B.2.12** Activities of ITER-India Design Office

Technical and quality support for the Fifty two Data Exchange Task (DET) between IO, DA and Suppliers. Technical (Design and Analysis) and training (CAD, FEA) support to designers were provided. Nineteen designers certified for ENOVIA certification. Advanced CATIA training held as part of updating the professionals. Cryostat "Parametric Mathematical Model"(Developed by DO) is used to assess: Non Linear Buckling Analysis of Cryostat base Section, Design Assessment following the change in the manufacturing Tolerances. Load Specification of ECE component and the Preliminary design of waveguide support structure were developed. Design and analysis of splitter box, mounts, mirrors, and calibration source are ongoing. Simulation of High Heat Flux Components: Single phase and two phase simulation completed in ANSYS - CFX, Wall Nucleation and boiling model using ANSYS, validated using the experimental results. Influence of geometrical parameters studied and optimized for efficient heat transfer in the existing scenario. Design Officer supported the CAD activities as a PBSA for MPD and TBM systems. CAD Technical Support was provided which includes technical support to designer's trouble shooting in daily CATIA/ENOVIA work, CAD methodology, and ITER specific CAD/PDM Tool processes. CAD quality checking, ENOVIA cad data structure management and checking, interface checking of the systems of different packages. Support and co-ordination in implementing the project changes via CCB and CAD Working group Workshop and Technical Meetings for Design Integration. Graphics, Videos of ITER-India packages were developed with details using 3DVIA Composer. Regular Participation in Configuration Control Board (CCB) and Technical Meetings was done in support of Change Management with respect to Design development and integration.

# **B.3.** Centre of Plasma Physics - Institute for Plasma Research (CPP-IPR), Guwahati

#### **B.3.1 Theoretical and Simulation Works**

*Effect of dust grains on plasma containing negative ions in an open magnetic field:* The properties of a plasma containing surface produced negative ions and dust particles in presence of an axially varying magnetic field is studied. Both positive and negative ions are treated kinetically and the dust grains being massive are assumed to have some collective behavior using a fluid model. Constant finite temperature positive and negative ion sources are assumed throughout the plasma volume along with Boltzmann electrons. The particles are assumed to be guided by an open magnetic field with a field strength maximum at the centre and gradually decreasing towards the wall. Finally, the one dimensional Poisson

equation is derived analytically and then solved numerically. It has been found that the variation in negative ion concentration leads to modification in the potential profile and particle distributions. Because of the magnetic field structure and the sheath potential most of the negative ions are trapped in the pre-sheath region until it has sufficient thermal energy to overcome the electrostatic and mirror force. The addition of dust particles plays an important role in determining the sheath width of the plasma. Consequently, the sheath edge shifts towards left (bulk plasma) with increasing dust density. Another important observation is that on varying the dust surface potential and number of dust at the center, the dust density gradually increases with a maximum value at the wall. However, this increase in density is more profound when the dust surface potential becomes more negative. This analysis is useful in understanding the physics of a negative ion source which contains Cesium coated dust particles confined in a cusp magnetic field for surface production of negative ions.

The study of two stream instability for multi ion species in the plasma boundary: The study of streaming between two species of positive ions in a multi component plasma becomes much more interesting due to the varying behavior of the drift velocity of the two ion species while entering the sheath region. The instability is responsible an ion enhanced friction (IEF) force which drives the slow moving ion near the plasma boundary and drags it to the system sound speed. In our present work, we attempt to understand the effect of collision on two stream instability in a multi component plasma containing two species of positive ions and a single species of Boltzmann electron. The analysis is done through fluid approach.

**Solution of Grad- Shafranov equation:** This work attempts to solve the Grad Shafranov equation analytically. The Grad Shafranov equation is an equilibrium equation obtained by

CPP is at Nazirakhat, Sonapur about 32 km. from Guwahati, Assam. This institute was originally established under the Education (Higher) Department of Government of Assam. Now it has been merged with IPR with effect from 29 May 2009 the reduction of ideal MHD equation. It is an elliptic, two dimensional, nonlinear partial differential equation. It plays an important role in determining the equilibrium, stability and transport properties of toroidaly axisymmetric fusion devices. The equation can be solved by assuming some suitable profile for current flux function and pressure flux function. In the present work, the magnetic flux surfaces are tried to design by resolving homogeneous and particular solution of the equation.

Particle trapping in the source-collector magnetized sheath: The concept of source collector sheath has been formulated by Schwager and Birdsall in 1990. However, the same has not been extensively studied for a magnetized sheath. This work aims at understanding the particle behavior in the source collector magnetized sheath. It has been found that there are some particles which although starts towards the collector sheath, cannot reach the same and are reflected. These particles are trapped amidst the source and collector. The study is made through XOOPIC. The magnetic field is in oblique inclination to the surface. The phase space is studied for different angles of the magnetic field. The reflected particles are found to form a void in the phase space and the void size is found to depend highly on the magnetic field angle. In the presence of the two species of positive ions the two stream instability is also observed under such scenario. The instability has been found prominent for the low mass ratio of the ions, while for higher mass ratio the instability is damped out.

Propagation of Surface Wave along the surface separating plasmas of two different dielectrics: During the last six months we have investigated an important problem namely 'The propagation of plasma surface waves' along the surface which separates plasmas of two different dielectrics. The problem to our knowledge has not been attempted earlier and therefore results which have been achieved are unique. We have considered a dividing line (at x=0) along which the plasma surface wave is considered to propagate. Electron-ion plasma is considered to occupy one half space along x>0, and dusty plasma occupies the second half space in the negative direction of x, i.e. for x<0. Fluid model is applied to define density distribution of plasma species for both the types of plasmas. The fluid equations in conjunction with Maxwell equations under suitable boundary conditions provided us the dispersion relation for plasma surface waves. The dispersion relation so obtained is solved computationally and wave dispersion curves are drawn for both high frequency and low frequency regime for various plasma parameters. Two distinct cases have been investigated viz: 1. When the x=0 plane

separates election-ion plasma on one side and dusty plasma on the other side and 2. When surface wave is considered to flow along the dust void boundary. We have seen that our analytical model supports propagation and electromagnetic as well as electrostatic surface waves in both the cases mentioned above. Special emphasis is given to study electrostatic surface wave modes under variation in electron density on either side of the surface, the effect of thermal velocities of species, the effect of collision frequency etc. Importance of our findings over the results available in literature has been brought out vividly.

#### **B.3.2. PIC modeling**

*Code for Negative ion extraction region:* A 3-D PIC electrostatic code is under development for Extraction region of Negative ion sources. Debugging for the basic PIC modeling has been completed. Test runs with single component plasma (without negative ions) shows qualitative agreement with other works in this field, including the exhibition of meniscus formation by positive ions near the extraction grid.

*Code for dust charging and related phenomena in Negative ion plasma:* The basic PIC module has been developed. With this basic module, as a test case, we have studied the effect of negative ion concentration on charging of dust grains in multicomponent plasma. Our results conform closely to other similar works in these fields.

Development of Semi-Automated system for Reactor Component Design and Optimization: This is a new task initiated during the last quarter of 2015, in collaboration with Neutronics Section of IPR. The idea is to develop suite of codes/ code snippets that can be utilized in neutronics design and optimization of various components (like breeding and shield blankets) of future fusion reactor. The proposed system is named "Reactor Component Design and Optimization System" (RCDOS). Another component, named "CPP-IPR Fusion Reactor Material Database" (CIFRMD) has also been initiated. Coding for these suites are in progress.

#### **B.3.3 Experimental Works**

**Commissioning of The CPP-IPR Magnetized Plasma Experiment for Plasma Surface Interaction (CIMPLE-PSI):** This was successfully commissioned recently, and started low power operations. This system shall recreate ITER Divertor like plasma with extreme heat (10 MW/m<sup>2</sup>) and (10<sup>24</sup> m<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>) ion flux, to be used for plasma material interaction experiments, a field of immense relevance to the comtemporary controlled plasma fusion research. During full capacity, CIMPLE-PSI shall run at 600 kW power, about half of which is used for production of an axial magnetic field (upto 0.45 Tesla) by an water cooled copper electromagnet, for confinement of a helium/hydrogen plasma jet into a collimating beam, a configuration ideal for the PSI experiments. Designed in the line of Magnum-PSI (DIFFER, The Netherlands), the system uses a segmented arc as the source of plasma, and about 14,000 m3/h pumping speed to produce minimum neutral pressure near the plasma material interaction region, through the use of four numbers of huge roots vacuum pumps. During recent experiments, the diffused helium plasma was seen to get nicely collimated in presence of the axial magnetic field. The plasma density was measured in the order of 10<sup>20</sup> m<sup>-3</sup>, temperature about 1 eV, by optical emission spectroscopy techniques, using a McPherson 1.3-meter spectrometer. This facility shall be used to explore exposure of ITER grade tungsten under a helium plasma and hydrogen retention studies, in the immediate future.

Synthesis of ITER relevant tungsten dust particles and studies on their hydrogen absorption properties: Tungsten fine dust particles likely to be formed during operation of ITER like modern Tokamaks, were synthesized using the CPP-IPR High Heat Flux device and the plasma assisted nanoparticle reactor, whose hydrogen retention properties were explored, through Nuclear Reaction Analysis technique at National Centre for Compositional Characterization of Materials (NCCCM), Hyderabad. An important observation was non-equilibrium crystal morphologies were often formed, which demonstrated one of the highest retention of hydrogen so far (15.7%). They also possessed high specific surface area



Figure B.3.1 CPP-IPR Magnetized Plasma Experiment for Plasma Surface Interaction

 $(34.9 \text{ m}^2/\text{g})$  or pronounced mesoporosity, one of the highest observed for tungsten.

Ion-ion plasma experiments in a Helicon source: The HeliPS experimental setup, which is continuing and shown in the adjacent photograph consists of a source glass chamber (60 cm long and 10 cm diameter) where Helicon plasma will be produced by wrapping a Helical antenna over it. There will be two stainless steel chambers: The expansion chamber and the extraction chamber. The expansion chamber is at present connected to the glass chamber and the Turbo Molecular Pump connected to the expansion chamber. Work is in progress. The HeliPS RF power supply's technical review and purchase process is in its final stage and the RFG will be delivered soon. The HeliPS antenna has a helical structure made up of copper strips. The ends of the antenna will be connected to the matching network's output cable's connecting terminals. The antenna's design and its antenna's fabrication is in progress. Two dc regulated power supplies (40 V, 600 A), to be used in the HeliPS solenoid coils for producing the magnetic field, were installed and tested upto 150 A and a magnetic field of 260 Gauss was obtained in a solenoid fabricated in the laboratory.



Figure B.3.2 HeliPS setup with glass chamber, expansion chamber, Vacuum pumping system and various gauges.

Study on surface processes in a negative ion source and measurement of negative ion parameters: In a hot cathode discharge or arc discharge, plasma, produced by electrons emitted from hot filaments, can be confined by multi-cusp magnetic fields. A magnetic field can reduce the flow of energetic primary electrons from the region where plasma is produced to the region where plasma diffuses. This magnetic field partition or magnetic filter can produce a region having electrons of energy in the range of 60 - 100 electron volts (eV) and a region having electrons of 1 ev or less. Negative ions generated in plasmas in such a configuration have traditionally been called "volume production sources". In the volume of these sources, negative ions are generated in molecular gases due to dissociative attachment of low energy electrons to rovibrationally excited molecules. The project investigates the physical phenomena arising out of the use of magnetic filter field for production of negative ions. The following experiments are being done ; Study on the Electron Energy Distribution Function (EEDF) by varying discharge parameters, Effect of Secondary filament on diffused plasma parameters etc.

*Inertial Electrostatic Confinement Fusion Based Neutron Source:* An inertial electrostatic confinement fusion (IECF) based neutron source is currently under development at CPP-IPR. The objective is to develop portable neutron sources having linear and spherical geometry which will operate under continuous and repetitive burst mode and produce neutrons at the rate of 100 million to 10 billion per second. Such neutron source is expected to provide the scope to examine the damage occurring in electronic components and in fusion materials. Meanwhile a cylindrical IECF chamber has already been installed and plasma is being produced in it by both hot and cold cathode discharges. The plasma (mainly deuterium) has been characterized by using planar Langmuir probe. In case of hot cathode discharge the plasma density is found to be highest nearby the filaments and falls away from the filaments. Electron temperature varies in between 2.52 to 3.25 eV. Temperature profile is found to be almost linear, although a slight density gradient is noticed. In cold cathode discharge mode shown in Fig 1a, a brighter axial glow at the centre of the grid is noticed that confirms the uniform ion flows for good core plasma convergence. Further the end on view illustrates the formation of ion channels that recirculates the main ion flow through central grid openings. This characteristic mode of operation in an IECF device is termed as "the star mode". The mode of operation depends upon not only the input power but also filling gas pressure. At higher pressure (greater than 20 mTorr) "jet mode" of operation is marked.

#### **B.3.4 Dusty Plasma Laboratory**

*Effect of magnetic field on dust charging and corresponding probe measurements:* The effect of external magnetic field on the Langmuir probe measurements and dust charging are studied in low-pressure hydrogen plasma. The experiment is performed in a dusty plasma device where plasma is created by the hot cathode filament discharge technique. A strong strontium ferrite magnet is used inside the plasma, near the dust zone. The plasma parameters are measured at different distances from the magnet with the help of Langmuir probe system. It is observed that even at low magnetic field case, the electron collection by the probe deviates strongly from the actual value. The observations of electron energy probability functions show that at higher magnetic field, the Langmuir probe collects only the higher energy electrons compared to the low energy electrons. Both quasi-neutrality condition and

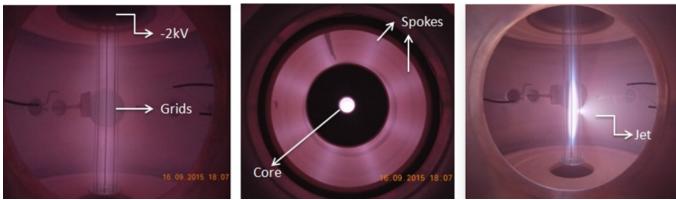


Figure B.3.3 (a) Side view of gas discharge indicating good convergence of ions, (b) bottom view of the plasma indicating Star Mode of operation, (c) side view of gas discharge indicating Jet Mode of operation.

capacitance model are used separately to calculate the charge accumulated on the dust grain. Introducing the reduction factor on quasi-neutrality condition, it is observed that the influence of magnetic field on dust charge is almost negligible for "low magnetic field" case. The dust charge results calculated from quasi-neutrality condition matches well with the experimentally observed dust current results, within the experimental error range. However, capacitance model deviates from the experimental results at higher magnetic field.

Study on plasma oscillations and instabilities in dust containing plasma: In this work, plasma oscillations as well as different instabilities are being studied in hydrogen plasma with flowing dust particles at different discharge conditions with/without external magnetic field. The frequency spectrum will be analyzed using the Fast Fourier transformation (FFT) technique of the signal. The experiment is going on and entire investigations on the plasma oscillations in presence of magnetic field and dust will be reported later on.

**Inauguration of negative ions extraction laboratory:** The negative hydrogen ions extraction laboratory was inaugurated recently. The experimental facility fabricated at IPR Mechanical Workshop is efficiently producing vacuum  $\sim 10^{-7}$  mbar and plasma density  $\sim 10^{16}$  m<sup>-3</sup>. Recently, it was decided in the MB meeting that the present negative ion source should be converted to a floating one for achieving better beam current. Therefore, the experimental setup is currently being upgraded to a floating high voltage negative hydrogen ion source by making several modifications. The negative hydrogen ions produced by cesium coated tungsten dust will be extracted in this experimental facility.

#### **B.3.5 Pulsed Plasma Accelerator Laboratory**

Various activities were carried out to prepare the laboratory for the installation of a high voltage pulse power system (PPS). The initial works covered the specification generation, designing, indenting and testing of different parts/components. In the process we have tested two numbers dump resistor assembly in our pulse power testing facility. In the next phase, we have designed, fabricated and tested the first line of high current pulsed shaping inductor. These inductors were tested for its current carrying capacity, resultant inductance (for parallel connections), its effect on output pulse (pulse shape) etc. Initially five numbers of pulse-shaping inductors (each having inductance 105  $\mu$ H) were tested successfully by coupling it with the test circuit. Later on, the above inductors were replaced by using another two sets robust inductors

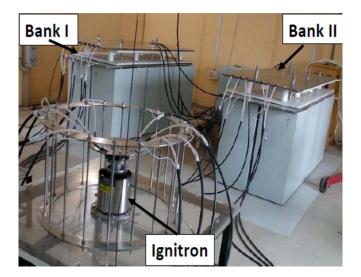


Figure B.3.4 Capacitor banks of Pulsed Power System

to get the required resultant inductance as 15  $\mu$ H. We have received 12 numbers of 180 $\mu$ F, 15 kV HV energy storage capacitors. The capacitors were clubbed separately in two assembly (bank) using parallel plate connections. The test firing of the capacitors bank were carried out from 1 kV to 15 kV and it was successfully discharged to get the desired peak discharged current of 50 kA and for a time period of 1.0 ms. For 200 KJ PPS, both the 100kJ banks were connected identically and fired through the damping resistor. In the same way starting from low voltage in steps, we discharged both the capacitor banks simultaneously to obtain output discharge current of 200 kJ PPS with peak current of 100 kA and 1 ms time period.



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# **C. ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES**

## C.1 DOCTORATE PROGRAMME

In the Ph.D. programme conducted by the institute forty (40) research scholars have been enrolled at present. Out of them, twenty two (22) are working in theoretical and simulation projects while fourteen (14) are engaged in experimental projects. Four (4) new students have joined this programme during the year and are going through the course work. After successful completion of this course work, they will be enrolled for their Ph.D. works. Presently twelve (12) Post-Doctoral Fellows are engaged in their research work.

Ph.D. Thesis Submitted (during April 2015 - March 2016)

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## C.2 SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMME (SSP)

Forty six (46) students participated in this programme, which aimed at providing an opportunity to (28) students from M.Sc. Physics and (18) students from Engineering discipline which include Mechanical, Electronics and instrumentation, Electrical, Chemical and Metallurgy, to interact actively with scientists of the institute and learn about Plasma Physics and related areas through a project and series of lectures. Besides the above-mentioned training programme, project works are routinely offered in Computer, Electronics and Electrical Engineering for regular students as a part of their academic requirements.

## **D. TECHNICAL SERVICES**

#### **D.1 Computer Services**

During the period the following have been the achievements (i) BSNL Internet services up-gradation (50 to 100Mbps); (ii) Inter-Office leased lines up-gradation from 10Mbps to 50 Mbps helped in the centralization of IT services for remote offices from IPR; (iii) Campus Wi-Fi extension for new locations and hostel areas; (iv) Data Center public e-tender and work have started; (v) New desktops and other setup changes for all meeting rooms etc.; (vi) Procured star SSL certificate for domain ipr.res.in.; (vii) Implemented Software Modules like pay bill, reimbursement of claims (medical, travel advance, telephone bill etc.); (viii) Implementation of abstract submission and approval, document repository, workshop jobs submission, etc. (ix) Implementation of Air travel and local transport booking and approval, software installation request and approval; (x) Software for payment intimation to vendors etc were developed in-house and implemented.; Implementation of web based booking of Commit-(xi) tee Room/Seminar Hall/VC Room booking through Zimbra Calendar.; (xii) New CCSERVER implemented on faster server. Now Users can also download software through http protocol. Virtual web hosting for internal server implemented on CCSERVER. New NTP server implemented; (xiii) Online recruitment for various IPR posts; (xiv) 35 TF High Performance Computing System was installed and made available to users; (xv) Upgradation of IDL software in HPC Udbhav cluster; (xvi) Implemented professional Audio-Video recording system with live streaming at Seminar Hall for the talks, colloquiums, meetings or events. (xvii) Centralization of core software.

## **D.2** Library Services

Institute for Plasma Research (IPR) Library caters to the information needs of the specialized user community involved in research and development activities in the areas of Plasma Physics and Fusion Science and Technology. Library is well equipped with modern infrastructure and continues to serve its user community with focused collection and services. IPR library continues to subscribe to major databases such as SCOPUS, Online Archives of core journals such as Physics of Plasmas and Fusion Science and Technology, and many AIP and APS Journals including PROLA. Library added Online Historical Archives of Plasma Sources Science and Technology and Reports on Progress in Physics to its collection. Library has access to SCIENCEDIRECT through DAE Consortia.

All subscribed resources and other large collection of inhouse electronic resources such as Research and Technical Reports, Reprint, Thesis, etc. are made accessible to the user community through library website (http://www.ipr.res.in/library/). Library continues to provide current awareness services by delivering current content, widely to plasma physicists at national level. Total 235 News items were displayed and archived as an Alerting Service.

During reporting period total of Rs. 24094551.00 budget was utilized. About 470 books and back volumes, 65 internal research reports, 40 technical reports, 45 research reports received from other research institutes, 143 reprints, 44 pamphlets and 24 software were added in to the library collection and subscribed to 106 periodicals. This year a total of 5 journal titles were migrated to only online and 2 new only online journals were added to e-collection.

Library continued to provide Article Delivery Services through Inter Library Loan (ILL) to the user community. 83.25% of the requests made by staff members were satisfied through Inter Library Loan (ILL) service. IPR Library provided documents to other institutes against their queries and 96.7% of the total need were satisfied. Total 36909 photocopies supplied to users. 4022 scanned copies were provided to the users.

Library orientation was given to newly joined members, Summer School Program Students, and Research Scholars. Information Literacy activities are regularly carried out for library users. SCOPUS Training was organized for library users.

Library carried out physical verification of documents during September 2015.

IPR Library celebrated Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam's 87<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary by displaying his collection and a poster on the Life and works of Dr. Kalam on 15 October 2015. Library actively participated in other Institutional activities, such as Hindi Seminars/Meetings, Safety Week, etc. Library provided internship training programme to 3 MLISc students from Central University of Gujarat (CUG), Gandhinagar, and 2 MLISc students from Gujarat University, Ahmedabad during the year 2015-16.

# **D.4 Safety Training and Services**

## Safety Training Conducted in the Institute

# Safety Training Conducted during 01.04.2015 to 31.03.2016

Sr. No.	Training Name	No. of persons attended	Date
1	Safety Induction Training	79	08 & 09.06.2015 20.07.2015 19.09.2015 19 & 20.11.2015 24.02.2016 02.03.2016
2	Practical Demonstration of Opeating of Fire Equipments for Employees of IPR, FCIPT, IPR Extn.Bldg.& ITER-India	52	23.04.2015, 15.09.2015 & 23 & 28.10.2015
3	Practical Demonstration of Opeating of Fire Equipments for Guest House Staff	10	25.08.2015
4	Practical Demonstration of Opeating of Fire Equipments for Security Staff of IPR	35	28.04.2015
5	Practical Demonstration of Opeating of Fire Equipments for Security Staff of IPR	46	21.01.2016
6	Practical Demonstration of Opeating of Fire Equipments for Security Staff of FCIPT and IPR Extension Building	24	28.10.2015
7	Safety Awareness Program & Practical Demonstration of Operating of Fire Equipments for the Employees of CPP-IPR	24	22.07.2015
8	Practical Demonstration of Operating of Fire Equipments and demonstratin of fire alarm system for the security personnel of CPP-IPR	3	22.07.2015
9	First Aid Training for the Employees of IPR, FCIPT & ITER-India	26	22.12.2015
10	Training & Demonstration of AED Machine for the employees of FCIPT	16	17.06.2015
11	Training & Demonstration of AED Machine for the employees of IPR	23	04.02.2016
12	Safety Orientation Program for the employees of EPC & PMC of Laboratory & Auxiliary Building	33	18.11.2015 & 18.01.2016
13	Safety Orientation Program for the employees of contractor for the Aditya Upgradation Work	5	13.04.2015
14	Awareness Program on "Permit to Work System" for the employees of IPR	25	01.01.2016
15	Training Program on "Road Safety-Time for Action" for Contract Drivers	26	13.01.2016

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# E. PUBLICATION PRESENTATIONS

## **E.1 Articles Publications**

## E.1.1 Journal Articles

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Umesh Kumar, T. S. Goud, R. Ganesh, D. Raju, Y. C. Saxena

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Design updates of ITER broad band X-ray Survey Spectrometer

Sanjeev Varshney, Robin Barnsley, Gunter Bertschinger, Martin O Mullane, Sapna Mishra, Siddharth Kumar, Nirav Bhaliya, Philippe Bernascolle, Vinay Kumar

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Current Status of R&D in Liquid Metal Diagnostics Development for Indian LLCB TBM

A. Deoghar, S. Sahu, A. Saraswat, T.S. Rao, S. Verma, A. Ranjan, A. Prajapati, V. Mehta, R. Bhattacharyay, and P. Das

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Development of an Application Software and GUI for DACS of New High Heat Flux Test Facility at IPR

Sunil Belsare, Samir Khirwadkar, Ritesh Sugandhi, Rajamannar Swamy, Yashashri Patil, Kedar Bhope, Tushar Patel, Prakash Mokaria and Kalpesh Galodiya

Preliminary Design of Interlock and Safety system for Indian Test Facility of Diagnostic Neutral Beam.

Himanshu Tyagi, Jignesh Soni, Ratnakar Yadav, Mainak Bandyopadhyay, Chandramouli Rotti, Gourab Bansal, Agrajit Gahlaut, Jaydeep Joshi, Rambilas Prasad, Deepak Parmar, Kaushal Pandya, Arun Chakraborty

Overview of all the Data Acquisition and Control Systems developed For Indian Negative Neutral Beam Development Program

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Thermo-mechanical Design Methodology for ITER Cryo-distribution Cold Boxes

Vinit Shukla, Pratik Patel, Hiten Vaghela, Jotirmoy Das, Nitin Shah, Ritendra Bhattacharya, Hyun-sik Chang, Biswanath Sarkar

Preliminary Design of Bellows for the DNB Beam Source by EJMA & FE Linear Analysis

Shobhit Trapasiya, Venkata Nagaraju Muvvala, Rambilas P, Dheeraj Kumar Sharma, Roopesh Gangadharan, Chandramouli Rotti, Arun Kumar Chakraborty

Evolving the Inspection Techniques for

determination of Volumetric Dimensions of Ground Pore in Heat Transfer Elements

Hitesh Kumar Kantilal Patel, Jainish Topiwala, Kedar Bhope, Alpesh Patel, Chandramouli Rotti, Arun Kumar Chakraborty

Significance of ITER IWS Material Selection and Qualification

Bhoomi K Mehta, Haresh A Pathak, Gurlovleen Singh Phull, Rahul Kumar Laad, Abha Maheshwari, Jigar Raval

ITER ECE Diagnostic: Design Progress of IN-DA and its Role for Physics Study

Hitesh Kumar Pandya, Ravinder Kumar Jakhmola, Suman Danani, Shrishail B Padasalagi, Sajal Thomas, Vinay Kumar, G Taylor, A Khodak, W L Rowan, S Houshmandyar, V S Udintsev, N Casal, M Walsh

Manufacturing Experience of an 'Angled' Accelerator Grid for DNB Beam Source Jaydeep Joshi

Preparation and Analysis of Helium Purge Gas Mixture to be used in Tritium Extraction System of LLCB TBM

V Gayathri Devi, Deepak Yadav, Amit Sircar

Seismic Design of ITER Component Cooling Water System-1 Piping

Aditya Prakash Singh, Mahesh Jadhav, Lalit Kumar Sharma, Dinesh Kumar Gupta, Nirav Patel, Rakesh Ranjan, Guman Gohil, Hirenkumar A Patel, Jinendra Dangi, Mohit Kumar, A G Ajith Kumar

Role of Outgassing of ITER Vacuum Vessel In-Wall Shielding Materials in Leak Detection of ITER Vacuum Vessel

Abha Maheshwari, Haresh A Pathak, Bhoomi K Mehta, Gurlovleen Singh Phull, Rahul Laad, Moin Shaikh, Siju George, Kaushal Joshi, Ziauddin Khan Manufacturing and Assembly of IWS Support Rib and Lower Bracket for ITER Vacuum Vessel

Rahul Laad, Yatin Sarvaiya, Haresh A Pathak, Raval Jigar, Chang-ho Choi

Finite Element Analysis for ITER Ferromagnetic In-wall Shielding Block Moinuddin Shaikh, Haresh A Pathak, Raval Jigar, Tailhardat Oliver Development of XM-19 Fasteners for the IWS Blocks Assemblies

Sunil Dani, Gurlovleen Singh, Haresh A Pathak, Jigar Raval, Chang-ho Choi

Pesticides Removal from Cabbage using Array of Atmospheric Pressure Plasma Jet

Akshay Vaid, Chirayu Patil, Ramkrishna Rane, Subroto Mukherjee, Sudhir Nema, Hetal Bhatt, R V Prasad

Comparison of Gas and Plasma Carburizing of AISI 8620 Low Carbon Steel

Alphonsa Joseph, Ghanshyam Jhala, Akshay Vaid, Suryakant Gupta, Keena Kalaria, Naresh Vaghela, Subroto Mukherjee

Experimental Study to Improve Anti-felting Characteristics of Merino Wool Fiber by Atmosphere Pressure Air Plasma Nisha Chandwani, Purvi Deva, Vishal Jain, Sudhir Nema, Subroto Mukherjee

Surface Chemistry and Wettability Study of Air Plasma Treated Polyethylene by Atmospheric Pressure Dielectric Barrier Discharge

Purvi Deva, Nisha Chandwani, Vishal Jain, Sudhir Nema, Subroto Mukherjee

Electrical Characteristics of a DC Non-transferrerd Arc Plasma Torch Using Theory of Dynamic Similarity

Yugesh V, Ravi Ganesh, K Ramachandran

Design and Development of 20 kW, 45 kV, 30 kHz Power Supply for Study of Pulsed Dielectric Barrier Discharges Surender Kumar Sharma, Anurag Shyam

Plasma Sterilization for Bio-decontamination Suryakant Gupta, Sudhir Nema

Simulation and Modeling of Magnetic Field Dynamics in Laser Plasma Interaction Amita Das, Chandrashekhar Shukla, Atul Kumar, Bhavesh Patel, Predhiman Krishan Kaw

Spectroscopy of Laterally Colliding Plasma Plumes in Laser-blow-off of Thin Film: Role of Energetic Neutrals in Formation of Interaction Zone Ajai Kumar, Bhupesh Kumar, Rajesh Kumar Singh

Thermionic Divertors for Tokamaks Avinash Khare, Sanjay K Mishra, Predhiman Krishan Kaw

Modeling of ITER Disruption scenarios using TSC Indranil Bandyopadhyay, Amit K Singh

Technical Developments and Present Status of the ITER Cryolines and Cryo-distribution Systems Biswanath Sarkar, Nitin Shah, Hitensinh Vaghela, Ketan Choukekar, Pratik Patel, Himanshu Kapoor, Srinivasa Muralidhara, Jotirmoy Das, Uday Kumar, Anuj Garg, Vinit Shukla, Mohit Jadon, Vikas Gaur, Bikash Dash, Shk Madeenavalli

Upgradation Plans of SST-1 Cryogenics System at IPR

Vipul L Tanna, SST-1 Cryo Team, Subrata Pradhan

Indian Test Facility (INTF) - The Indian contribution to R&D on ITER Neutral Beams M. Bandyopadhyay

Indian Particle Accelerator Conference (InPAC-2015), Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Colaba, Mumbai, 21-24 December 2015

Design of Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ) - A front end injector for accelerators at IPR Renu Bahl, B. Sarkar, M. Mittal, S. Kumar and A. Shyam

Beam Dynamics and Design Studies of a Low Energy Beam Transport (LEBT) System for 1 MEV Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ) at IPR M. Mittal, R. Bahl, S. Kumar, B. Sarkar, A. Shyam

Optimization of Mechanical design of Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ) using CST Microwave Studio

S. Kumar, R. Bahl, B. Sarkar, A. Shyam and M. Mittal

PWFA plasma source - Interferometric diagnostics for Li vapor density measurements

V. Sivakumaran, K.K. Mohandas, Sneha Singh and

Ravi A.V. Kumar

Surface flashover diagnostic facility for irradiated satellite solar cells by charged particles

Suryakant B. Gupta, Keena R. Kalaria, Naresh P. Vaghela, Rashmi S. Joshi, S. Mukherjee, Uma B.R., Usha G., G. Krishna Priya, Suresh E. Puthanveettil, M. Sankaran, Kavita Dixit, Shrikrishna Gupta

An updated instrumentation system for the study of electrostatic discharges on satellite solar panel coupons in laboratory

Suryakant B. Gupta, Keena R. Kalaria, Naresh P. Vaghela, Rashmi S. Joshi, S. Mukherjee, Suresh E. Puthanveettil, M. Sankaran and Ranganath S. Ekkundi

#### 60th DAE Solid State Physics Symposium, Amity University, Noida, 21-25 December 2015

Thermal Impedance Measurement of Conduction cooled Current Lead joint block used in Cryocooler based Self-field I-V Characterisation Facility Ananya Kundu, Subrat Kumar Das, Anees Bano, Pooja Agarwal, Subrata Pradhan

#### International Conference on Plasma Science Technology and Application (ICPSTA 2016), Amity University, Lucknow, 20-21 January 2016

Wave Breaking in a Maxwellian Plasma Arghya Mukherjee and Sudip Sengupta

The microstructure and mechanical properties of Ti/TiN multilayer film synthesized by magnetron sputtering deposition on SS316L

K.Shukla, R.Rane, A. Joseph, P. Maity, S. Mukherjee

The microstructure and mechanical properties of Ti/TiN multilayer film synthesized by magnetron sputtering deposition on SS316L

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7th International Conference on Creep, Fatigue and Creep-Fatigue Interaction (CF-7), Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam, 19-22 January 2016 Influence of Pico-second Laser Shock Peening on the microstructure and fatigue behaviour of 316L(N) stainless steel

Pardhu Yella, Venkateswarlu Pinnoju, Prem Kiran Pathuri, Koteswararao V.Rajulapati, G.V. Prasad Reddy, A. Nagesha, R. Sandhya, N. Ravi, Ramesh Kumar Buddu, PM Raole, K. Bhanu Sankara Rao

#### International Conference on Internet of Things and Applications (IOTA 2016), Pune, 22-24 January 2016

IOT Application for Real Time Monitor of PLC Data using EPICS

Ramesh Joshi, H.M. Jadav, Anirudh Mali and S.V. Kulkarni

61st Annual Technical Session of Assam Science Society, Goalpara College, Assam, India, 23 January 2016

Particle charging in low pressure plasma D. Kalita, B. Kakati, S.S.Kausik and B.K. Saikia

#### 22nd ITPA Divertor and Scrape-Off Layer TG Meeting, ENEA, Frascati, Italy, 25-28 January 2016

Heat-flux scale length analysis for ring limiter generated SOL in Tokamak ADITYA

Richard Pitts, D. Sharma, Bibhu P. Sahoo, Santosh P. Pandya, Shwetang N. Pandya, Kumar Ajay, J. Govindarajan, R. Jha, R. L. Tanna, S. B. Bhatt, K. A. Jadeja, Kaushal Patel, Joydeep Ghosh & Aditya Team

Advances in Refractory and Reactive Metals and Alloys (ARRMA 2016), Multipurpose Hall, Training School Hostel, Anushaktinagar, Mumbai, India, 27-29 January 2016

Study of Diffusion Bonding of WL10 to SS Joining with & without Titanium Interlayer using Thermo Mechanical Simulator

K.P Singh, Alpesh Patel, Kedar Bhope, Nikunj Patel, S.S Khirwadkar

17th Asian Pacific Corrosion Control Conference (APPCC), IIT Bombay, Mumbai, India, 27-30 January 2016 Study of Plasma Nitriding and Nitrocarburizing of AISI 430F Stainless Steel for High Hardness and Corrosion Resistance

J. Alphonsa, S. Mukherjee, V.S. Raja

3rd International Conference on Innovations in Automation and Mechatronics Engineering (ICIAME2016), G H Patel College of Engineering & Technology, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Gujarat, 5-6 February 2016

Multi Physics simulation of Laser Cladding Process to study the effect of process parameters on clad geometry

Ravi Parekh, Ramesh Kumar Buddu, and R.I. Patel

#### Innovation in Mechanical, Automobile, Civil Engineering & Materials Technology, Indus University, Ahmedabad, 13 February 2016

Surface Modification of 17-4PH Stainless Steel by Plasma Nitriding Sangita Jadeja, B. Ganguli, and D.K. Basa

Enhancement of Surface Properties of Maraging Steel C300 by Plasma Nitriding Nand Kumar, B. Ganguli, and S. Sharma

Feasibility study of nickel based coating on LM-25 aluminium alloy

Pooja Shah, Vaibhav Bhavsar, Murnalkumar Chaudhary, Nirav Jamnapara

#### International Conference on Powder Metallurgy & Particulate Materials (PM-16) by Powder Metallurgy Association of India, Pune, 18-20 February 2016

Synthesis and Characterization of Nano-Crystalline Magnesium Aluminate Spinel Powder by Sol-Gel Process

Akash Shah, C. Jariwala, R. Pillai, S. B. Tandon, P. M. Raole and B. Sarkar

Preparation and Characterization of Nano-Crystalline  $\alpha$ -Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Powder by Sol-gel Process V. Rathod, C. Jariwala, R. Pillai, and D. K. Basa

## Materials Research Society of India (MRSI)

#### Symposium, CSIR-North East Institute of Science and Technology, Assam, India, 18-20 February 2016

Studies on interaction of a High Heat Flux Plasma beam with material targets and the recent status of the development of CIMPLE-PSI

Trinayan Šarmah, N. Aomoa, B. Satpathi and M. Kakati

#### International Conference on Materials Science and Technology (ICMTech 2016), University of Delhi, Delhi, 1-4 March 2016

Influence of pH on Sol-Gel Derived Silica Nano-Particles for Various Applications in Nano-Composites

Sumit Kumar, C. Jariwala, R. Pillai, Deepak Rawtani and Y. K. Agrawal

#### IEEE International Conference on Electrical, Computer and Communication Technologies (ICECCT 2015), Coimbatore, India, 5-7 March 2015

Engineering Design of Labview Based Prototype Software Development for 45.6 MHz, 100 kW ICRH DAC System

Anirudha Mali, Ramesh Joshi, H.M. Jadav, Krupa Mehta and S.V. Kulkarni

Integration of MODBUS/TCP master monitoring and control system using python for High Power RF System

Krupa Mehta, Ramesh Joshi, H.M. Jadav, S.V. Kulkarni and Bhavesh H. Soni

EPICS Based Prototype CLIENT for ICRH DAC Ramesh Joshi, Manoj Parihar, H M Jadav & S.V. Kulkarni

26th International Cryogenic Engineering Conference and International Cryogenic Material Conference 2016 (ICEC26-ICMC2016), Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi, 7-11 March 2016

Design of 3-stream (He-He-He) compact plate-fin heat exchanger for helium plant

A. K. Sahu, O. Mahapatra, P Sharma, B. V. Shah, R. K. Sahoo

Finding friction factor for low temperature helium flow through serrated type plate-fin heat exchanger using CFD

B V Shah, A K Sahu, N Mamgain, S V Jain and P Sharma

Effects of charcoal particle and bed size for design of helium gas purification system at 20 K for helium plant

D. G. Bohra, A K Sahu, A. Behera, D. Prajapati

Design of expansion wheel with backward swept blade for low temperature helium expansion turbine and CFD analysis results

Sourabh Jogee, A K Sahu, R K Sahoo, Ronak Shah, V Patel, B V Shah

Design, analyses, fabrication and characterization of Nb3Sn coil in 1 W pulse tube cryocooler Ananya Kundu, Subrat Kumar Das, Anees Bano, Nitish Kumar and Subrata Pradhan

Assembly Installation studies for the ITER cryoline system

S. Badgujar, N. Shah, A. Forgeas, N. Navion-Maillot, E. Monneret, D Grillot and B Sarkar

Experimental results of ITER cold circulators towards the performance demonstration R Bhattacharya, H Vaghela, B Sarkar, P Patel, J Das, M Srinivasa, T Isono and K Kawano

Design of ITER Relief Lines N. Shah, K. Choukekar, M. Jadon, B. Sarkar, B. Joshi, H. Kanzaria, V. Gehani, H. Vyas, U. Pandya, R. Panjwani, S. Badgujar, E. Monneret

Status of ITER Cryo-distribution and Cryoline project

B Sarkar, H Vaghela, N Shah, R Bhattacharya, K Choukekar, P Patel, H Kapoor, M Srinivasa, H S Chang, S Badgujar and E Monneret

Acceptance tests and their results for 1st Pre-Series Cryoline (PTCL) of ITER

H. Kapoor, A. Garg, N. Shah, S. Muralidhara, K. Choukekar, B. Dash, V. Gaur, S. Madeenavalli, P. Patel, U. Kumar, M. Jadon, V. Shukla, B. Sarkar, Y. Sarvaiya, D. Mukherjee, A. Dutta, KV. Murugan,

S. Gajera, B. Joshi, R. Panjwani

Cryogenic Heat loads analysis from SST-1 plasma experiments

N. Bairagi, V. L. Tanna and S. Pradhan

Process optimization of helium cryo plant operation for SST-1 superconducting magnet system

P. Panchal, R. Panchal, R. Patel, G. Mahesuriya, D. Sonara, L. N. Srikanth G., A. Garg, D. Christian, N. Bairagi, R. Sharma, K. Patel, P. Shah, H. Nimavat, G. Purwar, J. Patel, V. Tanna and S. Pradhan

Installation and commissioning of 80 K liquid nitrogen booster system for SST-1

R.Patel, G. Mahesuriya, GLN Srikanth, D.Christian, K.Patel, P. Shah, H. Nimavat, P. Panchal, R. Panchal, D. Sonara, J.C.Patel, V.L.Tanna and S. Pradhan

System for adsorption isotherm studies of porous carbon materials Down to 4.5 K

J. Mishra, J. Agarwal, S. Mukherjee, P. Nayak, P. Panchal, S. Kasthurirengan, V. Lambade and R. Gangradey

The validation tests of fusion grade superconductors U. Prasad, S. Pradhan, P. Raj, P. Varmora, A. Panchal, A. Bano, M. Ghate and Magnet division

Status of the ITER cryodistribution design and component configuration

H.-S. Chang, A. Forgeas, M. Clough, E. Fauve, H. Vaghela, R. Bhattacharya, B. Sarkar

Design and analysis for adoption of oil injected air screw compressor and oil removal system for compression of Helium gas

N. Gupta, J. Patel, P. Nema, Y. Joshi, A.K.Sahu

Design & development of liquid nitrogen based pre-cooler for solid hydrogen extruder

P. Nayak, S. Mukherjee, P. Panchal, D. Tripathi, R. Gangradey, J. Mishra, J. Agarwal

Design and manufacturing of 30 kA Nb<sub>3</sub> Sn CICC for fusion relevant superconducting magnet P. Raj, M. Ghate, A. Singh, S. Pradhan, M.M.Hussain, K.K.Abdulla Upgradation of integrated flow distribution and control (IFDC) system for SST-1

R. Panchal, GLN Srikanth, K. Patel, P. Shah, P. Panchal, V. L. Tanna and S. Pradhan

Journey towards realization of fusion reactor grade cryopump & related technologies in India Ranjana Gangradey, Samiran Mukherjee, Jyoti Agrawal, Paresh Panchal, Pratik Nayak, J.S.Mishra, S. Udgata, S. Kasthurirengan, V.S.Tripathi

Warm and cold acceptance tests and their results for 1st pre-series cryoline (PTCL) of ITER Himanshu Kapoor, Anuj Garg, Nitin Shah, Srinivasa M, Vikas Gaur, Bikash Dash, Shk Madeenavalli, Mohit Jadon, Pratik Patel, Ketan Choukekear, and Biswanath Sarkar

Pump characterization of 80 K liquid nitrogen booster system for SST-1 G. Mahaguria, P. Patal, V. L. Tanna and S. Pradhan

G. Mahesuria, R. Patel, V. L. Tanna and S. Pradhan

Performance of superconducting current feeder system for SST-1

A. Garg, H. Nimavat, P. Shah, K. Patel, D. Sonara, GLN Srikanth, N. Bairagi, D. Christian, R. Patel, G. Mahesuriya, R. Panchal, P. Panchal, R. Sharma, G. Purwar, V. L. Tanna and S. Pradhan

#### 5th International Conference on Materials Processing and Characterization (ICMPC), GRIET, Hyderabad, 12-13 March 2016

Multipass Welding on Inconel Material with Pulsed Current Gas Tungsten Arc Welding Vemanaboina Harinadh, G. Edison, Suresh Akella, L. Sanjeeva Reddy, Ramesh Kumar Buddu

#### *ITPA Pedestal and Edge Physics Topical Group meeting, IPR, Gandhinagar, 16-18 March 2016* Overview of Indian activities in P&EP

Santanu Banerjee, N. Bisai, D. Chandra, L. Lachhvani, J. Ghosh, P. Dhyani, D. Sharma, A. Sen, P.K. Kaw, A. Thayagaraja

Observation of quasi-coherent edge fluctuations and L-H transitions dynamics in NSTX Ohmic plasmas

Santanu Banerjee, A. Diallo, S. J. Zweben and T. Stoltzfus-Dueck

## PATENT APPLIED

Atmospheric Pressure Plasma Jet for Bio-Medical applications

Akshay Vaid, Chriayu Patil, Adam Sanghariyat, Ramakrishna Rane, Abhijit Majumdar, Subrato Mukherjee

Indian Provisional Patent Application number: 3727/MUM/2015

Plasma Pyrolysis System and Process for the disposal of Waste using graphite plasma torch K.S. Ganesh Prasad, S. K. Nema, V. Jain Patent Number: 272122 dated 18/03/2016

#### AWARDS and ACHIEVEMENTS

Ms. Akanksha Gupta, Research Scholar from Institute for Plasma Research, received the best poster award at 7th International Conference on the Frontiers of Plasma Physics and Technology, Kochi, Kerala, 13-17 April 2015. This award had a cash prize of Rs. 9000 and a citation from the Journal of Laser & Particle Beams

Dr. Subrata Pradhan (Scientist-H) has been conferred the prestigious 'Scientific Research Council Out-standing Investigator Awardee' of the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE-SRC OI) for 2014 in response to his research proposal and in recognition to his outstanding contributions to plasma sciences and technologies. Under this award, Dr. Pradhan will be receiving an additional monthly incentive of INR 25000 for a period of five years as well as a research grant sum totaling up to Rs. 1 Crore over the same period towards carrying out research and development activities.

Dr. Amita Das, Senior Professor H+, was elected as FELLOW, by the National Academy Of Sciences, India in 2015 for her outstanding contribution towards scientific research.

Dr. Mainak Bandyopadhyay of DNB Group, ITER-India, received a certificate of appreciation from the Editorial Board of the Journal of Fusion Engineering and Design (Elsevier) as an Outstanding Reviewer for the Journal in the year 2015. Mr. Ramesh Kumar Buddu, Scientist-SF, received **Best Reviewer certificate** from the Journal of Fusion Engineering and Design

Mr. Ritesh Sugandhi, Engineer-SF from the Basic Plasma Science Group has been certified by National Instruments as a Certified LabVIEWTM Associate Developer (CLAD) on 24-Aug-2015. He is currently the only member from IPR, Gujarat, listed on the National Instruments website in the community

Shri Bharat Doshi of the Mechanical Services Division, IPR, received a certificate of appreciation from the Editorial Board of the Journal of Fusion & Engineering Design (Elsevier) as an Outstanding Reviewer for the Journal in the year 2015.

**Subramanyan Chandrasekhar Prize of Plasma Physics** was awarded to Prof. Predhiman K. Kaw, selected as Laureate of 2015, by Division of Plasma Physics (DPP), Association of Asia Pacific Physical Societies (AAPPS), partially sponsored by Future Energy Research Association, to a scientist who has made seminal / pioneering contribution in the field of plasma physics. For his seminal contributions in the areas of laser-plasma interactions, turbulence, nonlinear effects in magnetic fusion devices and strongly coupled dusty plasmas.

IPR (TBM Group) & IGCAR (Materials Group) was jointly conferred with the DAE Group Achievement Award (2014-15) for the joint group activity titled "Development of Indian Reduced Activation Ferritic Martensitic (IN-RAFM) Steel for India's Test Blanket Module (TBM) Program in ITER". This award was conferred in recognition of this Group's outstanding contributions to the Departmental programme under DAE (Excellence in Science, Engineering and Technology) Award Scheme. In view of this, a small function was arranged at IPR Seminar Hall to felicitate the team members from IPR for this DAE Group Achievement Award. There were 31 members in the group consisting of IGCAR and IPR team, of which eight members were from IPR. The team from IPR comprised of Chandra Sekhar Sasmal, Shiju Sam, Atikkumar N Mistry, Narender Singh, Atul Kumar Prajapati, Jignesh Chauhan and

Hardik Tailor who worked under the leadership of Shri. E. Rajendrakumar. The award consists of a total cash amount of Rs. 60,000/- in addition to memento and citation for group leader and each individual team member. During the function Director, IPR distributed the memento and citation. The Director while congratulating the team said that this function was organised so that it could excite and motivate other groups in IPR. Professor Kaw also congratulated the whole group for their achievement. Shri. E. Rajendra Kumar, Apex-3 leader, took the opportunity to thank Prof. P.K. Kaw, Prof. D. Bora, the technical staff as well nontechnical staff of IPR and IGCAR for their constant support.

A Multiphysics investigation of RF Dry Loads

Yogesh M. Jain, Aviraj R. Jadhav, Harish V. Dixit, Alice N. Cheeran, Vikas N. Gupta, P. K. Sharma won **Best Paper Award** at IEEE Bombay Section Symposium 2015, SNDT College, Mumbai, India, 10-11 September 2015

Dr. Shantanu Karakari was **awarded honorary associate** in the Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department, University of Liverpool, U.K. during 26th September 2015 to 30th December 2015

Dr. Nirav I. Jamnapara received the Young Researcher Award at the International Surface Engineering conference at NCR Delhi on 8th October 2015. The award comprising of a Gold Plated Plaque along with a cash prize of Rs. 11,000/- was sponsored by Kansai Nerolac Paints Ltd. and issued by Society for Surface Protective Coatings, India.

Quality Evalution of CuCrZr to SS Diffusion joints using Ultrasonic C-scan imaging Technique

using Ultrasonic C-scan imaging Technique Kedar Bhope, K P Singh, Alpesh Patel, Mayur Mehta and S.S. Khirwadkar won **1st Prize for best Poster Presentation** at National Conference on Non Destructive Testing-2015 (NDE-2015) Hyderabad, 26-28 November 2015

A Pin-Plane Probe Method to Determine Plasma Parameters in Magnetized Discharges

S. Binwal, S. Gandhi, H. Kabariya and S. K.

Karkari won **Best Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Effect of multiple Gas-puffs on Plasma density and temperature in Aditya tokamak Harshita Raj, Joydeep Ghosh, R.L. Tanna, K.A Jadeja P.K. Chattopadhyay, D. Raju, S. K. Jha, J. Raval, S. Joisa, S. Purohit, CVS Rao, P. K. Atrey, Umesh Nagora, S.K. Pathak, R. Manchanda, M. B. Chowdhuri, Nilam Ramaiya, S. Banerjee, Y.C. Saxena and Aditya team won **Z. H. Sholapurwala Best Poster Presentation Award** for fusion research at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Study of weld defect behavior under the operational conditions of Heat Transfer Element: First phase Jainish Topiwala, Hitesh Patel, Kedar Bhope, Alpesh Patel, Chandramouli Rotti, Arun Chakraborty won **Z. H. Sholapurwala Award** for fusion research at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Development of 12inch Gas Barrier Assembly for Cooling of Transmission Line Components

Akhil Jha, Rohit Anand, Ajesh P., Paresh Vasava, Rajesh Trivedi, and Aparajita Mukherjee won Z. H. Sholapurwala Award for fusion research at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Neutronic Performance Optimization Study of Indian Fusion DEMO Reactor First Wall & Breeding Blanket

H L Swami, C Danani won Second Prize of the PSSI- Z. H. Sholapurwala Award for Fusion Research at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Launching of Diocotron Mode in Toroidal Electron

Plasma Experiment: Smartex-C

Lavkesh T. Lachhvani, Sambaran Pahari, Manu Bajpai, Yogesh Yeole, Prabal Chattopadhyay won **Best Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Relativistic Motion of a Charged Particle in a Plane Polarized Light Propagating along a Constant Magnetic Field

Shivam Kumar Mishra and Sudip Sengupta won **Best Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Neutral Drag Force Measurements in a Flowing Complex Plasma

Surabhi Jaiswal, P. Bandyopadhyay, and A. Sen won **Best Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

The Influence of Distance between Cathodic Cage and the Specimens during Plasma Nitriding of Low Carbon Steel

G. Jhala, J. Alphonsa, A. Vaid, Rahul Patel, Naresh Vaghela, Keena Kalaria, S. Gupta, and S. Mukherjee won **Best Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Effect of ion motion on relativistic electron beam driven wakefield phenomena in a cold plasma

Ratan Kumar Bera, Sudip Sengupta and Amita Das won **PSSI Poster Award** at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015

Commissioning and Experimental Validation of SST-1 Plasma Facing Components

Yuvakiran Paravastu, Dilip Raval, Ziauddin Khan, Hiteshkumar Patel, Prabal Biswas, Tejas Parekh, Siju George, Prosenjit Santra, Gattu Ramesh Babu, Prashant Thankey, Pratibha Semwal, Arun Prakash A, Kalpeshkumar R Dhanani, Snehal Jaiswal, Pradeep Chauhan, Subrata Pradhan won **Best Poster award** at 10th Asia Plasma & Fusion Association Conference (APFA-2015), Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 14-18 December 2015

The Refurbishment of Damaged Toroidal Magnetic Field coils for Aditya Upgrade

Devraj H Sadharakiya, Rakesh L Tanna, Joydeep Ghosh, Prabal K Chattopadhyay, Sharvil Patel, Vaibhav Ranjan, Rohit Kumar, Harshita Raj, Krishnamachari Sathayanarayana, Madan B Kalal, Dinesh S Varia, Ramkrushna Panchal, Kulav Rathod, Shailesh B Bhatt, A Vardharajulu, Yogesh C Saxena, Dhiraj Bora, Shell-N-Tube Team won **Best Poster presentation award** at 10th Asia Plasma & Fusion Association Conference (APFA-2015), Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 14-18 December 2015

A Study of Anomalous Transportation of Sawtooth Generated Runaway Electrons Observed in ADITYA Tokamak

Harshita Raj, Joydeep Ghosh, Rakesh L Tanna, Prabal K Chattopadhyay, Raju Daniel, Sameer Kumar Jha, Jayesh V Raval, Y Shankara Joisa, Shishir Purohit, C V S Rao, Umeshkumar C Nagora, Parveen Kumar Atrey, Malay Bikas Chowdhuri, Ranjana Manchanda, Yogesh C Saxena, Rabindranath Pal and Aditya Team won **Best Poster presentation award** at 10th Asia Plasma & Fusion Association Conference (APFA-2015), Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 14-18 December 2015

Design Data for Quick Development of Folded E Plane Tee

Aviraj R. Jadhav, Yogesh M. Jain, Harish V. Dixit, Alice N. Cheeran, Vikas N. Gupta, P. K. Sharma won **Best Paper Award** at 12th IEEE India International Conference, INDICON 2015, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, 17-20 December 2015

Dr. Mukesh Ranjan (Scientist-SF, FCIPT/IPR), was awarded **Young Achiever Award** in the Golden Jubilee 60th DAE Solid State Physics Symposium held at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, Noida, 21-25 December 2015. The award has been conferred recognizing his scientific contributions in the field of plasma material interaction.

# E 4. Invited Talks Delivered By IPR Staff

## **DHIRAJ BORA**

Gave an Invited talk on "Indian Initiatives in Magnetically Confined Fusion Research", at 7th International Conference on the Frontiers of Plasma Physics and Technology (FPPT-7), Kochi, India, 13-17 April 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Thermo-Nuclear Fusion: A Unique Alternate Source of Energy, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics Colloquium, Kolkata, 28 May 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Challenges in Material Development for fusion Reactors and India's Initiatives" at Nanoscale Excitations in Emergent Materials (NEEM 2015), Rome, Italy, 12-14 October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "My Experiences at ITER" in Hindi at Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, on 6 November 2015

**DEBASIS CHANDRA,** ANANTANARAYANAN THYAGARAJA, ABHIJIT SEN and PREDHIMAN KAW

Gave an Invited talk on "Simulations of ELMS in Presence of RMPs using CUTIE Code" at 7th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE FRONTIERS OF PLASMA PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY (FPPT-7), Kochi, India, 13-17 April 2015

## SANJEEV VARSHNEY

Gave an Invited talk on "Current X-ray Crystal Spectroscopy developments for ITER" at 3rd International conference on optical and photonics engineering (icOPEN-2015), Singapore Expo, Singapore, 14-16 April 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Shielding Requirements

and Design, Analysis for ITER XRCS Systems" at INS National Workshop on Radiation Shielding Design and Analysis, AERB Auditorium, Niyamak Bhavan, Anushaktinagar, Mumbai, 10-14 August 2015

## SUBRATA PRADHAN

Gave an Invited talk on "Experiments and Upgradation Status in SST-1" at 8th IAEA Technical Meeting on Steady State Operation of Magnetic Fusion Devices, Nara, Japan, 27 May 2015

## P. K. SHARMA

Gave an Invited talk on "Application of High Power CW microwave power in fusion Research" at One day meet on Scientific Applications of High Power Microwave Tubes, CSIR-CEERI, Pilani, Rajasthan, 22 May, 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Development activities in high power CW LHCD system" at a Workshop on Indian Innovations in Materials Research: New Materials and Processes (IIMR-2015), CSIR-CGCRI, Kolkata, 25-27 June 2015

## **RENU BAHL,** B.SARKAR, ANURAG SHYAM

Gave an Invited talk on "Physics Design of 1MeV Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ) at IPR" at Workshop on RFQ Accelerators and Associated Technologies, IPR, Gandhinagar, 9-10 June 2015

SARVESHWAR SHARMA, S K MISHRA, P K KAW, A DAS, N SIRSE, M M TURNER

Gave an Invited talk on "Collisionless Sheath Heating in CCP Discharges Due to Higher Order Sinusoidal Signals" at NCPST 5th Radio Frequency Discharge Workshop, National Centre for Plasma Science & Technology, Dublin City University, Ireland, 22-23 June 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Stochastic Sheath Heating Phenomenon in Capacitive Discharges Due to Higher Order Sinusoidal Signals" at Indo-Taiwan Low Temperature Plasma Physics collaborative work meeting, Aerothermal & Plasma Physics Laboratory, National Chiao Tung University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, on 24 March 2016

## S. K. KARKARI

Gave an Invited talk on "Overview of Basic Experiments in APPEL Device" at 5<sup>th</sup> International Radio Frequency Discharge Workshop, National Centre for Plasma Science & Technology, Dublin City University, Ireland, 22-23 June 2015

## S. K. NEMA

Gave an Invited talk on "Waste Disposal and Energy Recovery using Thermal Plasma Technology" at Recent Trends in Mechanical Engineering Workshop, Mechanical Engineering Department, Government Engineering College, Bhavnagar, 22 June 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Defining the Research Problem-Objectives-Motivation" at TEQIP-II Workshop on Research Methodology –GEC, Gandhinagar, 6-10 July 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Introduction to Plasma Processing" at a workshop on Applications of cold plasmas in surface engineering, FCIPT, IPR, 11 September 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Alternative energy solutions using plasma technologies" at International workshop on Advanced Materials Challenges for Alternative Energy Solutions AMAES-III, New Delhi, 18-19 December 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma surface modification of natural and synthetic polymers" at Advancements in Polymeric Materials (APM 2016), CIPET, Ahmedabad, 12-14 February 2016

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Technologies for Societal benefits developed at FCIPT" at TEQIP workshop on Advances in Surface Engineering& Welding Technology, FCIPT, IPR, 29 February-1 March 2016

## **BHARAT DOSHI**

Gave an Invited talk on "Design and Manufacture of ITER Cryostat" at Workshop on "Design and Fabrication of Accelerator & ITER components", Indian Nuclear Society, AERB, Mumbai, 06th July 2015

## **MUKESH RANJAN**

Gave an Invited talk on "Silver Nanoparticles on GaSb Nanodots: a LSPR-boosted Binary Platform for Broadband Light Harvesting and SERS" at 8th International Workshop on Nanoscale Pattern Formation at Surfaces, Krakow, Poland, 12-16 July 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Technologies in Space Applications" at One Day Seminar about Frontier in Space Science, LDRP College of Engineering, Gandhinagar, 25 July 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Investigation of Growth of Silver Atoms on Patterned Substrate" at Nanoscale Excitations in Emergent Materials (NEEM 2015), Rome, Italy, 12-14 October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Flux dependence on pattern formation at normal incidence" at REI-2015, Jaipur, 26-31 October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Mechanism of Self-Assembly and Plasmonic Coupling in Dense Nanoparticles Arrays Grown On Plasma Produced Templates" at 60th DAE Solid State Symposium, Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, Noida, 21-25 December 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Dense nanoparticles arrays for photovoltaic and plasmonic sensor" at Nano-scaled system for Energy Harvesting, VIT University, Chennai, 1-3 February 2016

GaveanInvitedtalkon"AdvancedCharacterizations techniques for Nanotechnology" at workshop on Characterization Techniques for Materials (CTM-2016), Sardar Patel University, 23-24 February 2016

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma based techniques for nanopatterning, nanoparticle and its applications" at Seminar on Plasma Based Technologies, Gujarat Technical University, Ahmedabad, 5 March 2016

#### **S MUKHERJEE**

Gave an Invited talk on "Environment Friendly Plasma Technologies: Developments at Institute for Plasma Research" at PSSI-Plasma Scholars' Colloquium, Jadhavpur University, Kolkata, 6-7 August 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Industrial Plasma Applications - Recent Developments in FCIPT" at International Conference on Plasma Science, Technology & Application (ICPSTA-2016), Amity University, Lucknow, 20-21 January 2016

## NIRAV I. JAMNAPARA

Gave an Invited talk on "Role of Coatings in Energy Systems" at TEQIP-II seminar on 'Recent Advances in Mechanical Engineering' organized by Government Engineering College, Bhavnagar, 22 June 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Effective Scientific and Technical Communication in form of presentation", at the 'Workshop on Research Methodology' organized by Government Engineering College, Gandhinagar, 10 July 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Overview of Eco-Friendly Processing of Polymers using Plasma Technology" at Polymer processing, reclamation and its endof-life impact on environment, IEI Gujarat State Centre, Bhaikaka Bhavan, Law garden, Ahmedabad, 22 August 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Coatings for High Temperature Applications" at Department of Metallurgical & Materials Engineering, Indus University, Ahmedabad, 20 October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Materials and process developments for enhancing energy efficiency and performance of gas turbine systems" at Indo-German workshop on "Advanced Materials Challenges for Alternative Energy Solutions", The Park Hotel, New Delhi, 17-19th December 2015 Gave an Invited talk on "Bio medical Applications of Plasma Technology" at 13th National conference and Technology exhibition on "Indian medical devices and plastics disposables/implants industry 2016", AMA, Ahmedabad 12-13 February 2016

Gave an Invited talk on "Collaborative R&D on plasma technologies and funding opportunities", at a Seminar on Plasma Technologies organized by GTU, Chandkheda, Ahmedabad, 5 March 2016

#### J. ALPHONSA

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Nitrocarburizing Process - A Solution to Improve Wear and Corrosion Resistance" at Symposium on Water Chemistry and Corrosion in Nuclear Power Plants in Asia – 2015, Anupuram, IGCAR, India, 2-4 September 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Surface hardening by Plasma nitriding process" at a Workshop on Applications of Cold Plasmas in Surface Engineering, FCIPT, IPR, 11 September 2015

#### **PURVI DAVE**

GaveanInvitedtalkon"PlasmaSurfaceModification of Polymers' at workshop on 'Applications of cold plasma in surface engineering', FCIPT, IPR, 11 September 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Scanning Electron Microscopy & FTIR Analysis" at TEQUIP II Sponsored workshop on 'Recent Trends in Instrumentation', GEC, Gandhinagar, 22 January 2016

#### SURYAKANT B. GUPTA

Gave an Invited talk on "Environmental protection using Plasma technology", at Hindi Day Celebrations, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Tararpur, 14 September 2015

#### **M. RANJAN and S. AGRAWAL**

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasmonics Incorporated CZTS Solar Cell" at DST-UKIERI Indo-UK Workshop, New Delhi, 21 September 2015

## P. A. RAYJADA

Gave an Invited talk on "Energy and Nuclear Fusion: Challenges from Materials" at INSPIRE Internship Science Camp-2015, Dept. of Science and Technology, Amreli, Gujarat, 5-9 May 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Energy Thirst & Nuclear Fusion: Promises & Challenges" at Shri Adani Vidya Mandir's Event on Inspiring the Students for Studying Science, Shri Adani Vidya Mandir, Makarba, Ahmedabad, 28 September 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Er<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Coating Process and Characterization: Nuclear Fusion Reactor Perspective" at First International Conference on Advanced Materials for Power Engineering (ICAMPE-2015), Kottayam, India, 11-13 December 2015

## DEEPAK AGGARWAL

Gave an Invited talk on "Neutronic Activities in Test Blanket Module Division (TBMD) IPR" at DAE-BRNS Workshop on Monte Carlo Nucleon transport Code (MONC), Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, 9 October 2015

#### **INDRANIL BANDYOPADHAY**

Gave an Invited talk on "The update of the ITER Halo current modelling activity of the ITPA MHD Working Group" at ITPA MHD meeting, Napoli, Italy, October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "The update of the ITER Halo current modelling activity of the ITPA MHD Working Group" at ITPA MHD meeting, NIFS, Japan via Video Conferencing, March 2016

#### NISHA CHANDWANI

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasmas for Eco-friendly Textile Processing" at Seminar of the Association of Chemical Technologist India (ACTI), Navrangpura, Ahmedabad, 31 October 2015

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasmas for Textile Processing" at Gujarat Technological University

#### (GTU), 5 March 2016

#### **BISWANATH SARKAR**

Gave an Invited talk on "ITER Cryo-distribution and Cryoline project - an Effort for Enhanced Reliability through R & D" at 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Conference on Applied Superconductivity and Cryogenics 2015 Conference, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China, 23 November 2015

# **J. ALPHONSA**, G. JHALA, S.B. GUPTA, S. MUKHERJEE

Gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Nitriding- A case study of journey from laboratory to industry" at 5th Annual Quality Conference, Nirma University, Ahmedabad, 26 November 2015

**S.S. KAUSIK,** B. KAKATI, D. KALITA, B.K. SAIKIA, and M. BANDYOPADHYAY

Gave an Invited talk on "Conceptual design of an extraction system for a surface assisted volume negative hydrogen ion source" at 16th Workshop on Fine Particle Plasmas, National Institute for Fusion Science, Toki city, Gifu, Japan, 10-11 December 2015

#### MRITYUNJAY KUNDU

Gave an Invited talk on "On the collisionless absorption in laser driven over-dense plasmas" at ASHULA Grand Seminar/Symposium-2016, Osaka University, Japan, 5-7 January 2016

#### S.S. KHIRWADKAR

Gave an Invited talk on "Overview of the R&D work being carried out at Divertor and Firstwall Technology Development Division of IPR" at Workshop on interaction between IPR and Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU, Gandhinagar), 11 January 2016

#### **UJJWAL K BARUAH**

Gave an Invited talk on "Fusion Activities: Update from India" and "Gaps Analysis of Strategic Research Priorities in Support of DEMO: Indian Scenario" at Annual meeting of International Energy Agency (IEA), Fusion Energy Coordination Committee (FPCC), IEA Headquarters, Paris, 27-28 January 2016

## K.S. GOSWAMI

Gave an Invited talk on "Energy for future" at Kaziranga University, Jorhat, 29 February 2016 Gave an Invited talk on "Erosion due to ion sputtering in absence of Debye Sheath at Divertor Plasma" at the "National conference on Emerging Trends in Physics of Fluids & Solids (NCETPFS)", Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 3-4 March 2016

## S. SHRAVAN KUMAR

Gave an Invited talk on "Universal Decimal Classification Scheme (UDC): Theory and Practice" to M.L.I.Sc. Students of Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, 12 March 2016

## GAUTAM C SETHIA

Gave an Invited talk on "Chimera states: the hype versus the facts" at 4th International Conference on Complex Dynamical Systems and Applications, at National Institute of Technology, Durgapur, India, 15-17 February 2016

#### S.V. KULKARNI and RF GROUP

Gave an Invited talk on "Development of High Power RF and Microwave Sources using Klystrons, Gyrotrons and Tetrodes for Fusion Reactors" at Thapar University, Patiala, on 30 March 30 2016

## ZIAUDDIN KHAN

Gave an Invited talk on "Challenges and the latest progress in LIGO-India project" at Theme meeting on New Horizons for Vacuum Technology, Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, 31 March 2016

Invited talks given at 30th National Symposium on Plasma Science & Technology (Plasma-2015), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP), Kolkata, India, 1-4 December 2015 ABHIJIT SEN gave a Keynote Address on "Indian Fusion Program: The Road Ahead"

SHISHIR DESHPANDE gave a Popular talk on "Why We Can Not Avoid the Failure to develop Human Resource"

AMITADAS and SST1 Team gave an Invited talk on "SST 1: The Indian Steady State Superconducting Tokamak"

R.L. TANNA and the ADITYA Team gave an Invited talk on "Recent Advances in Aditya Tokamak Operation and experiments"

R. SRINIVASAN and the Indian DEMO Team gave an Invited talk on "Progress on Design of SST-2 Fusion Reactor"

A. K. CHAKRABORTY, NIST Team and DNB Team gave an Invited talk on "R & D on Negative Ion Neutral Beams for Fusion devices - Indian Contribution"

S. MUKHERJEE and FCIPT Team gave an Invited talk on "Plasma Nitriding - An Eco Friendly Surface Hardening Process"

MRITYUNJAY KUNDU gave an Invited talk on "Anharmonic Resonance Absorption of Laser Pulses in Over-Dense Plasmas"

ASHWIN JOY gave an Invited talk on "Hydrodynamic Instabilities & Relaxation in a Model Visco-elastic Liquid"

UMESH KUMAR, T.S. GOUD, R. GANESH, D. RAJU, Y.C. SAXENA gave an Invited talk on "Role of Magnetic Field Topology in a Simple Toroidal Plasma - Issues, Diagnostics and Solutions"

Y. SHANKARA JOISA gave an Invited talk on "X-Ray Diagnostics for Tokamak Physics"

P. BHARATHI gave an Invited talk on "Overview of Beam Based Spectroscopy Techniques for Measurements in Fusion Plasma Research"

I. BANDYOPADHYAY gave an Invited talk on

"Disruption Modelling in Support of ITER"

Invited talks given at 10th Asia Plasma & Fusion Association Conference (APFA-2015), Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 14-18 December 2015

DHIRAJ BORA gave an Invited talk on "Fusion Research in India"

SHISHIR DESHPANDE gave an Invited talk on "ITER India R & D and ITER Package Progress"

SUBRATA PRADHAN, ZIAUDDIN KHAN, VIPUL L TANNA, DILIP RAVAL, UPENDRA PRASAD, HARISH MASAND, AVEG KUMAR, KIRITKUMAR B PATEL, MANISHA BHANDARKAR, JASRAJ DHONGDE, BRAJ SHUKLA, KISHORE IMRAN MANSURI, YOHAN KHRISTI, YUVAKIRAN PARAVASTU, CHET NARAYAN GUPTA, DINESH SHARMA, KALPESHKUMAR R DHANANI, PRATIBHA SEMWAL, SIJU GEORGE, SUBRATA JANA, PRADIPPANCHAL, ROHITKUMAR PANCHAL, RAKESHKUMAR PATEL, HITESH KUMAR GULATI, KIRTI MAHAJAN, MOHAMMAD SHOAIB KHAN, PRASHANT THANKEY, AZADSINH MAKWANA, GAURANG MEHSURIYA, PRADEEP CHAUHAN, ARUN PARKASH А, MURTUZA VORA, AKHILESH SINGH, DASHRATH SONARA, PANKAJ VARMORA, G SRIKANTH, DIKENS CHRISTIAN, ATUL GARG, ARUN PANCHAL, NITIN BAIRAGI, MANIKA SHARMA, GATTU RAMESH BABU, PROSENJIT SANTRA. HITESHKUMAR PATEL, TEJAS PAREKH, PRABAL BISWAS, SNEHAL JAYSWAL, TUSHARKUMAR RAVAL, HITESHKUMAR CHUDASAMA, ATISH SHARMA, AMIT OJHA, BHADRESH R PRAGHI, MONI BANAUDHA, KETAN PATEL, HIREN NIMAVAT, PANKIL SHAH, JAYANT C PATEL, RAJIV SHARMA, VARADHARAJULU, RANJANA А MANCHANDA, PARVEEN KUMAR ATREY, SURYA KANTH PATHAK, Y SANKAR JOISA, KUMUDNI TAHILIANI , MANOJ KUMAR, SANTANU BANERJEE, DEBASHIS GOSH, BHOOMI CHAUDHARY, AMITA DAS, DHIRAJ BORA gave an Invited talk on "Initial Results in SST-1 After Up-gradation"

RAJU DANIEL, P MOREAU, MANISHA BHANDARKAR, S BREMOND, J BUCALOSSI, VISHNU K CHAUDHARI, X COURTOIS, JASRAJ DHONGDE, C GIL, AVEG KUMAR, PRAVEENA KUMARI, M LEWERENTZ, P LOTTE, IMRAN MANSURI, HARISH MASAND, O MEYER, M MISSIRLIAN, E NARDON, R NOUAILLETAS, KIRITKUMAR SUTAPA RANJAN, C RAPSON, N RAVENEL, F SAMAILLE, B PATEL, N RAVENEL, G RAUPP, MANIKA SHARMA, J SIGNORET, А SPRING, J M TRAVERE, W TREUTERRER, A WERNER, WEST TEAM gave an Invited talk on "Measurements and Controls Implementation for the WEST Project".

## E 5. Talks Delivered By Distinguished Visitors At IPR

Dr. B. B. Nayak, Institute of Minerals & Materials Technology (IMMT), Bhubaneswar, gave a talk on "Preparing nanotube bundles by plasma method: approach for evaluation and application"

Prof. Prabhat Ranjan, Executive Director, Technology Information, Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC), Delhi, gave a talk on "Glimpse of TIFAC activities"

Dr. Pamidi Sastry, Principal Investigator and Lead Scientist of Superconductivity and Cryogenics Laboratory, Center for Advanced Power Systems, Florida State University, USA, gave a talk on "Current R&D Activities at the Florida State University Center for Advanced Power Systems in Superconducting Power Devices"

Dr. Arvind Saxena, Director, Defence Materials Research & Development Establishment (DMSRDE), Kanpur, gave a talk on "Precursor Material for High Temperature Application" Dr. V P Singh, Chief Scientist, CEERI, Pilani, gave a talk on "R&D activities on RF Windows at CSIR-CEERI Pilani" on 14th July 2015

Dr. Rohit Kumar, University of Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh, gave a talk on "Study of Toxic Elements in Environmental Samples Collected from Industrial Area using Spectroscopic Techniques"

Dr. A. Sivathanu Pillai, ex CMD BrahMos, gave a talk on "Technology Leadership"

Dr. Dattatray Shinde, S. N. Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences, Kolkata, gave a talk on "Investigation of Granular and Cognitive Complex Systems"

Shri.M.V.Dhekane, Associate Director, R&D, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, gave a talk on "Introduction of FEAST (Finite Element Analysis of Structures)"

Dr.Jayakumar, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, gave a talk on "Overview of PreWin/FEAST Software"

Dr. Archana Lakhani, Scientist, UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Indore, gave a talk on "Temperature and Magnetic Field Induced Effects on Functional Magnetic Materials"

Dr Animesh Kuley, University of California, California, USA, gave a talk on "Electromagnetic particle simulation of linear mode conversion of lower hybrid waves and parametric decay instability of ion cyclotron waves in tokamak"

Prof. Tomas J. Dolan, University of Illinois, USA, gave a talk on "Fusion-fission Hybrid Reactors"

Dr. Prashant Sharma, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, gave a talk on "Development of Coating for Hot Corrosion Resistance of AISI 304 Stainless Steel and High Temperature Oxidation Resistance of Inconel 718"

Prof. Tomas J. Dolan, University of Illinois, USA, gave a talk on "Molten Salt Reactors and Thorium Energy"

Prof. Tomas J. Dolan, University of Illinois, USA, gave a talk on "Plasma Heating and Current Drive"

Prof. Tomas J. Dolan, University of Illinois, USA, gave a talk on "How to Give Good Technical Presentations"

Dr. Kailash Chandra Meher, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, gave a talk on "Study of Thermal, Electrical and Fluid Dynamic Behaviour of Arc Plasma Devices"

Dr. Ketan D. Patel, Zydus Hospitals, Ahmedabad, gave a talk on "Medical Emergency Management"

Dr. Rameswar Singh, Laboratoire de Physique des Plasmas, France, gave a talk on "Geodesic acoustic modes with poloidal mode couplings ad infinitum"

Dr. Vikrant Saxena, Centre for Free Electron Laser Science, Germany, gave a talk on "X-ray Irradiation of Finite Systems: Modeling the Nanoplasma Dynamics"

Dr. Shashank Rathod, Eye Care Hospital, Ahmedabad, gave a talk on "Total Eye Care-Take care of your Eyes"

Dr. Jitendra Kumar, Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani, Rajasthan, gave a talk on "Design and Analysis of Dielectric Resonator Antenna (DRA) for Wideband Applications"

Dr. Nitya Hariharan, Intel Technology Private Ltd, Bangalore, gave a talk on "High Performance Computing (HPC) – Applications in Computational Physics"

Dr. Huw Leggate, Dublin City University, Ireland, gave a talk on "Studies into capacitively coupled plasmas in the presence of grazing angle magnetic fields"

Dr. Robert Pearce, ITER Vacuum Section, ITER Organization, Cadrache, France, gave a talk on "An overview of the ITER vacuum Systems and practices"

Shri K. Ramprasad, Head, Industrial Plants Safety Division, Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, Mumbai, gave a talk on "Safety Culture for R&D organizations"

Shri Rajnikant Sharma, Sr. Manager (Fire & Safety), Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited, Kalol, Gujarat, gave a talk on "Behavioral Management of Safety"

Shri Ajit Kumar, Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd., Kakrapar, Gujarat, gave a talk on "Nuclear Power Program and Safety"

Dr. A.K.Patra, Head, Environmental Survey Laboratory, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, gave a talk on "Radiation - A fact of life and Environmental Impact Assessment around KAPS"

Dr. Hogun Jhang, National Fusion Research Institute (NFRI), South Korea, gave a talk on "Influence of zonal flows on dynamical processes in tokamak plasmas: Results from turbulence simulations"

Dr. Jae Min Kwon, National Fusion Research Institute (NFRI), South Korea, gave a talk on "Status of gyrokinetic simulation studies in NFRI"

Dr. R. Singh, National Fusion Research Institute, Korea, gave a talk on "Particle transport in core and pedestal of tokamak plasmas"

# E 6. Colloquia Presented At IPR

Prof. S P Sukhatme, Professor Emeritus, IIT Bombay, on "Estimating India's Future Needs of Electricity" (Colloquium # 249)

Prof. P. K. Kaw, DST Year of Science Professor at Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, on "Tokamak Physics: Brief Overview and A Perspective" (Colloquium # 250)

Prof. Cary B Forest, Department of Physics, University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA, on "Chasing Fast Dynamos in the Plasma Lab and Other Pursuits" (Colloquium # 251)

Prof. R.B. Sharma, Scientist, DRDO, Delhi & Adjunct Faculty, DIAT, Pune, on "Field emission/ ion microscopy: Principle and applications" (Colloquium # 252)

Prof. Kajari Mazumdar, Department of High Energy Physics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, on "The Unbelievable Pursuit of the Unimaginable" (Colloquium # 253)

Prof. Bikas K. Chakrabarti, Senior Professor, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP), Kolkata, on "Econophysics of Income & Wealth Inequalities" (Colloquium # 254) Prof. Amitava Gupta, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, on "Control Over Data Networks-Issues, Challenges, Tools and Techniques" (Colloquium # 255)

Dr. Kushal Shah, Electrical Engineering Dept, IIT Delhi, on "Fermi acceleration in billiards with holes" (Colloquium # 256)

Dr. Shankar Mahadevan, Esgee Technologies Inc., Texas, U.S., on "Simulation of non-equilibrium and equilibrium plasma discharges for industrial application" (Colloquium # 257)

Dr. Purushothama Chippar, Mechanical Engineering Department, St. Joseph Engineering College, Mangalore, Karnataka, on "Design and Optimization of Metal Hydride Vessels for Hydrogen/Tritium Storage and Transportation via experiments and numerical modeling" (Colloquium # 258)

# E 7. Scientific Meetings Hosted By IPR

## 10th IAEA Technical Meeting on Control, Data Acquisition, and Remote Participation for Fusion Research, IPR, Gandhinagar, 20-24 April 2015

The 10th IAEA Technical Meeting on Control, Data Acquisition and Remote Participation for Fusion Research was organized by IPR during 20-24 April 2015. The topics covered in this meeting were ; Plasma Control, Machine Control, Monitoring, Safety and Remote Manipulation, Data Acquisition and Signal Processing, Database Techniques for Information Storage and Retrieval, Advanced Computing and Massive Data Analysis, Remote Participation and Virtual Laboratory, Fast Network Technology and its Application etc. Of the 130 delegates who participated in this meeting, around 50 were from various international institutions. Workshop on RFQ Accelerators and Associated Technologies, Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar, 9-10 June 2015

## Workshop on Applications of Cold Plasma for Surface Engineering, IPR, FCIPT Gandhinagar, 11th September 2015

A one-day workshop on "Applications of cold plasma for surface engineering" was held in FCIPT on 11th September 2015. The workshop was initially inaugurated by Prof. Dhiraj Bora (Director, IPR) and Shri. R. N. Raval (Joint Commissioner of Industries, MSME) in the morning session followed by different talks delivered by the scientists on surface modification technologies based on cold plasmas. The seminar was attended by 36 participants from different industries mainly from polymer based, machinery manufacturing, Textile industries like MANTRA, WRA, ACTI, Dentists, Medical device dealers, Doctors from Medical organizations and research scholars from ICT, Mumbai. During the workshop, various topics on ranging from agriculture to machinery were discussed. After the first session, a visit to FCIPT was arranged for the delegates, where three technologies developed by FCIPT were demonstrated to them i.e., Plasma nitriding, Plasma jet and high density plasma for textile applications. After the workshop, many industries expressed their interest in working with FCIPT on newer technologies like atmospheric plasma jet for medical application, enhancement of germination rate with plasma, textiles, etc.

## Research Scholar's Meet: Electronics & Communication Engineering, IPR, Gandhinagar, 5 November 2015

A "Research Scholars' Meet" for the faculty members pursuing their PhD in EC Engineering

in various institutions in Gujarat was organized on 5th November, 2015 at IPR. The event was coordinated by Dr.-Ing. Suryakant Gupta of IPR and Dr. R. A. Thakker (Research Coordinator -SPFU and Prof. EC, VGEC – Chandkheda). There are good number of faculty from Engineering Colleges of Gujarat State pursuing their PhD and doing research work in the area of Electronics and Communication Engineering. These faculty members work independently and they have very limited opportunities to interact among them-selves or get exposed to state-of-the-art technologies. With the tremendous growth in the field of Electronic and Communication, is it essential that these researchers are provided some kind of a platform for interaction and discussion. In this one-day event, the welcome speech was given by Prof. Dr. S. Mukherjee of IPR. Prof. Usha Neelkanthan (SPFU Co-ordinator) presented about SPFU and TEQIP research strand activities. Dr. N. M. Devashryee (Prof. EC, Nirma University) gave a talk on research methodology. Dr. Mekie Joycee of IIT Gandhinagar discussed about the recent trends in multi-core architecture. Prof. Chirag Paunwala (SCET - Surat) and Prof. J. N. Sarvaiya (SVNIT - Surat) delivered interesting talks on research opportunities in Image Recognition and Registration, respectively. Six PhD scholars: Amit Rathod, Haresh Judal, Avani Vithalani, Shahid Modasiya, Sandip Dawda and C. R. Parekh delivered oral presentation about their ongoing PhD work. More than 40 ME students of few nearby engineering colleges also attended the event. Mr. Amit Srivastava of IPR dis-cussed the avenues for EC Engineers in IPR. The vote of thanks and summary of event was delivered by Dr. R. A. Thakker.

Technology Transfer Meet: Plasma technologies - Available for industries, FCIPT, Institute for Plasma Research, 11 December 2015 Tech-Transfer Meet was organized at FCIPT, Institute for Plasma Research, on 11 December 2015, with an objective to interact with the industries who are interested in making commercial use of plasma based greed technologies. These are low cost indigenously developed plasma technologies which may be useful to various industrial sectors like Automobiles, Metal, Polymers, Medical Devices & Machinery manufacturing.

## 10th Asia Plasma and Fusion Association Conference (APFA - 2015), IPR, Gandhinagar, 14-18 December 2015

## LabVIEW Training, IPR, Gandhinagar, 11-15 January 2016

Considering the large number of users for LabVIEW in IPR, ITER-India and FCIPT, a five day, hands-on training for LabVIEW was organized at IPR seminar hall during 11-15 January 2016. 30 employees were trained for LabVIEW Connectivity, Data Acquisition and Signal Conditioning, Real Time and for FPGA. Actual applications from different groups were discussed and implemented. During the training, participants also were given hands-on training on real time and FPGA using training kits

# PLC Training, IPR, Gandhinagar, 1-9 February 2016

A training program for TIA (Totally Integrated Automation) with S7-300 & STEP7 training of SIEMENS PLC was organized in IPR Feb 1-9, 2016. There were 12 IPR staff from different groups who participated in this training session, which also has hands-on sessions. Different topics including STEP7 programming language, Configuration of system, Analog and digital input & output accessing methods and communication protocols (Industrial Profibus, Profinet, Ethernet) with remote devices. An introduction to HMI and Drive for automation and control was also given to the participants. Actual scenario of different plants and control applications were also discussed with experts from SEIMENS during the course of the training.

## Workshop on Advances in Surface Engineering and Welding Technology, FCIPT, IPR, Gandhinagar, 29 February 2016 - 1 March 2016

A 2-day workshop on 'Advances in Surface Engineering and Welding Technology' organized jointly by IPR, Govt. Engg. College Gandhinagar and ASM International Gujarat Chapter was conducted at FCIPT on 29th Feb, 2016 and 1st March, 2016. IPR is a mentoring organization to 7 TEQIP-II colleges of Govt. of Gujarat under a MoU between IPR and Commissionerate of Technical Education, Gandhinagar. The workshop was attended by faculty and students of GEC Gandhinagar, researchers from PDPU, IIT Gandhinagar and industry representatives. The International speakers profile included Dr. Zoltan Kolozsvary, Managing Director, SC Plasmaterm SA, Romania; Dr. T. Sudarshan, CEO - Materials Modification Inc, USA and Trustee - ASM International; and Prof. Antonello Astarita, Faculty - University of Naples 'Federico-II', Italy, while local speakers included Dr. S. K. Nema from FCIPT, IPR and Prof. Vishvesh Badheka from PDPU. The workshop witnessed enhancement in networking amongst the participants and with the speakers and opened areas for mutually beneficial research environment.

## Seminar on Plasma Technologies @ GTU, 5 March 2016

A one-day seminar on Plasma based Technologies was jointly organised by FCIPT/IPR and

Research and Consultancy Services Cell, Gujarat Technological University (GTU) in association with PG Research Centre for Governance Systems, GTU on 5th March. Prof. D. Bora, Director IPR gave the Guest of honour speech followed by Keynote talks by Dr. S. Mukherjee and Dr. S. Nema. Various plasma based technologies were discussed for waste disposal, textile, automobile and nanotech-nology applications in the talks of Ms. Alphonsa, Ms. Nisha Chandwani, Dr. Mukesh Ranjan and Dr. Nirav Jamnapara. The faculty from GTU as well as the students actively participated in this event.

# ITPA Meeting, IPR, Gandhinagar, 16-18 March 2016

The International Tokamak Physics Activity (ITPA) provides a framework for internationally coordinated fusion research activities. The ITPA operates under the auspices of ITER. The meetings of the International Tokamak Physics Activity (ITPA) - Transport & Confinement (T&C) and Pedestal & Edge Physics (P&EP) task groups were held at the Institute for Plasma Research (IPR) from 16th to 18th March 2016. Around thirty participants form different countries such as USA, EU, Japan, South Korea and India attended the meetings. Many attendees also participated in this meeting via video conferencing. Both the meetings were highly successful and many important presentations and fruitful discussions were held during the course of the meetings.

A theme meeting on "New Horizons for Vacuum Technology" IPR, Gandhinagar, 31 March 2016

# E.8 MoU Signed

# E.8.1 NATIONAL MoU SIGNED

## **Technology Transfer agreement:**

FCIPT division's efforts in commercialization of plasma based home grown technologies resulted in the non-exclusive technology transfer agreement between IPR and M/s Therelek Engineers, Bangalore for Plasma Nitriding Technology. With the national programme on 'Make-in-India' basis, this technology will be a value addition to Indian Manufacturers and heat treaters for competing with international markets.

## **IPR – GIFT CITY CONTRACT:**

The Institute for Plasma Research through its FCIPT division entered into a technical consultancy agreement with GIFT City, Gandhinagar for setting up of a prototype scale plasma pyrolysis system for solid waste management of GIFT City. GIFT City is India's first smart city project and plasma pyrolysis technology will be demonstrated for its competence for the said objective.

# E.8.2 INTERNATIONAL MoU SIGNED

Specific Task of Cooperation (STC#5) agreement signed between IPR and CEA on 04/02/2016 to work on advanced diagnostics - development and implementation of XICS diagnostics for WEST

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