Activity Report (2020-2023)

Under DBT STAR COLLEGE Strengthening Scheme



Department of Chemistry Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya Bhupatinagar, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal, India

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New practical introduced as prescribed but not be conducted earlier

Titles

- 1. Isoelectric pH of protein
- 2. Determination of Critical Micelle Concentration of surfactants like SDS using tensiometer
- 3. Qualitative and quantitative estimation of carbohydrate, protein and fat in food
- 4. Column chromatographic separation of mixture of dyes and TLC separation of a mixture containing 2/3 amino acids
- 5. Determination of pH of soil and estimation of potassium, calcium, magnesium
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- 7. pH-metric titration of acid
- 8. Determination of enthalpy of oxalic acid solution in water
- **9.** Verification of Lambert Beer's law, Dissociation constant determination of indicator, Determination of CMC of a surfactant using colorimeter

New Hands-on experiments conducted during the support

Titles

- **1.** Carbohydrate and protein estimation in jam, bread, cookies, dahi, cake, lassie etc. by spectrophotometrically
- 2. Quantitative test for saponin content in quinoa flour

3. Critical Micelle Concentration (CMC) determination of a surfactant (Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate) by using Tensiometer

- 4. Dye degradation and catechol oxidation with Transition metal complex
- 5. Estimation of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium (NPK) in the fertilizer free soil
- 6. Determination of arsenic(III) in ground water by spectrophotometric technique
- 7. Estimation of fluoride in ground water by spectrophotometric technique

Equipment procured for the proposed new practical

Experiments	Procured Equipment
Isoelectric pH of protein	Viscometer (Digital)
Determination of Critical Micelle Concentration (CMC) of surfactants using tensiometer	Tensiometer (Manual)
Estimation of carbohydrate, protein and fat	Sonicator
Column chromatographic separation and TLC separation	Rotavapour with Chiller, UV light with chamber
Determination of pH of soil and estimation of potassium, calcium, magnesium	Soil tensiometer, Flame photometer
Potentiometric titration	Potentiometer with required electrodes
pH-metric titration	pH meter
Determination of enthalpy of oxalic acid solution in water	Water bath with thermostat
Verification of Lambert Beer's law	Colorimeter

Interdisciplinary/departmental projects executed by the students

- 1. Estimation of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium (NPK) in the fertilizer free soil
- 2. DNA/protein interaction study with Schiff Base Transition metal complexes
- 3. BSA protein estimation in an unknown solution
- 4. Carbohydrate and protein estimation in jam, bread, cookies, dahi, cake, lassie etc by spectrophotometrically
- 5. Quantitative test for saponin content in quinoa flour
- 6. Critical Micelle Concentration (CMC) determination of a surfactant (Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate) by using Tensiometer
- 7. Degradation of organic pollutant dyes under sunlight irradiation
- 8. Synthesis of nanocrystalline compounds by hydrothermal methods and their application in catalysis & environmental remediation
- **9.** Determination of arsenic(III) in ground water by spectrophotometric technique
- 10. Estimation of fluoride in ground water by spectrophotometric technique

Estimation of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium (NPK) in the fertilizer free soil



BSA protein estimation in an unknown solution



Synthesis of nanocrystalline compounds by hydrothermal methods



Carbohydrate and protein estimation in jam, bread, cookies, dahi, cake, lassie etc by spectrophotometrically





Workshops and seminars organized in topical areas for students by the dept. supported under the scheme







One day innovative model and poster exhibition cum competition for students on the theme Science and Environment dated 1st March, 2021



One Day Workshop on Career Counseling for Higher Education

Under DBT STAR COLLEGE Strengthening Scheme (Govt. of India)



Organized by Department of Chemistry, Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya, Bhupatinagar, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal, India.

* Platform: Offline, Venue: S N Bose Seminar Hall, Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya

* Date: 13/09/2022 at 1.15 pm

Speaker Dr. Subhasis Das Adhikary, PhD Postdoctoral researcher, Stockholm University, Sweden, Ex-student, Chemistry Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya









Wall Magazine Publication under the support



Online Summer Training School supported under the scheme on "Emerging Trends at the interface of Chemistry, Zoology and Mathematics



* Course Fee: No course fee will be charged

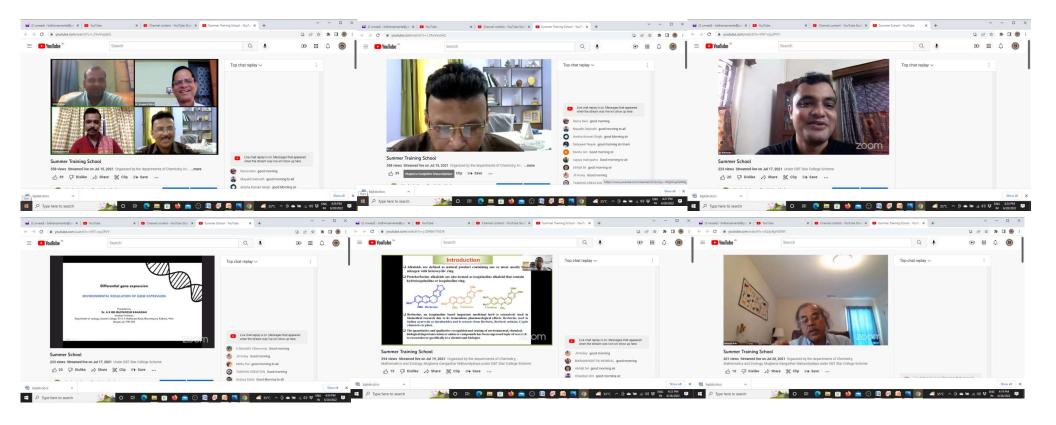
Follow this link to join the WhatsApp group: https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kf3onA2ItYJA3XW7Q3HSp4

All are cordially invited

Resource Persons & Topics of presentation of Summer Training School

- 1. Prof. Debasis Kuila, Professor & Research Director, NSF-CREST Bio-energy Center, Department of Chemistry (NSB 342), North Carolina A & T State University, USA. Title: Conversion of Biomass into fuels and value added chemicals
- 2. Dr. Maidul Hossain, Department of Chemistry and Chemical Technology, Vidyasagar University, Paschim Medinipur-721302, West Bengal, India. Title: "Synthesis of 9-O-(substituted) berberine analogues : Their application towards DNA and protein binding and as a toxic material sensor"
- 3. Dr Rajarshi Ghosh, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, The University of Burdwan, Burdwan 713 104, India. Title: "Magnetic interactions in dinuclear transition metal complexes and prussian blue analogues"
- 4. Dr. Uttam Bera, Associate Professor Dept. of Mathematics, NIT Agartala Tripura. Title : Effect of supply chain during Covid -19
- 5. Dr. Jayanta De. Associate Professor, Dept of Mathematics, Mahisadal Raj College, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal. Title: Role of Mathematics in the present context
- 6. Dr. Anupam De, Assistant Professor, Department of Applied Science & Humanities. Haldia Institute of Technology, West Bengal. Title: Role of Mathematics in Modeling and Controlling Pandemic
- 7. Prof. Kousik Pramanick, Professor, Department of Life Science, Presidency University, Kolkata 700073, India. Title: Species Concept
- 8. Dr. A.R. Md. Mustafizur Rahaman, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Zoology, Asutosh College, Kolkata 700026, India. Title: Developmental Biology
- 9. Dr. Sandip Pal, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Zoology, Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, North 24 Pgs, 700120, India. Title: The World of Non-Chordates

Some Glimpses of this Summer Training Camp



Faculty improvement programs initiated for the faculty



One day faculty improvement programme on Research Ethics and Practice dated 1st March, 2021



7. Prof. (Dr.) Nandan Bhattacharyya, Principal, Panskura Banamali College, Theme: Innovative Research ideas, 27/06/22

Some Glimpses of 7-days Faculty Development Programme







Visits to Incubation Centre and important labs of national eminence

Titles

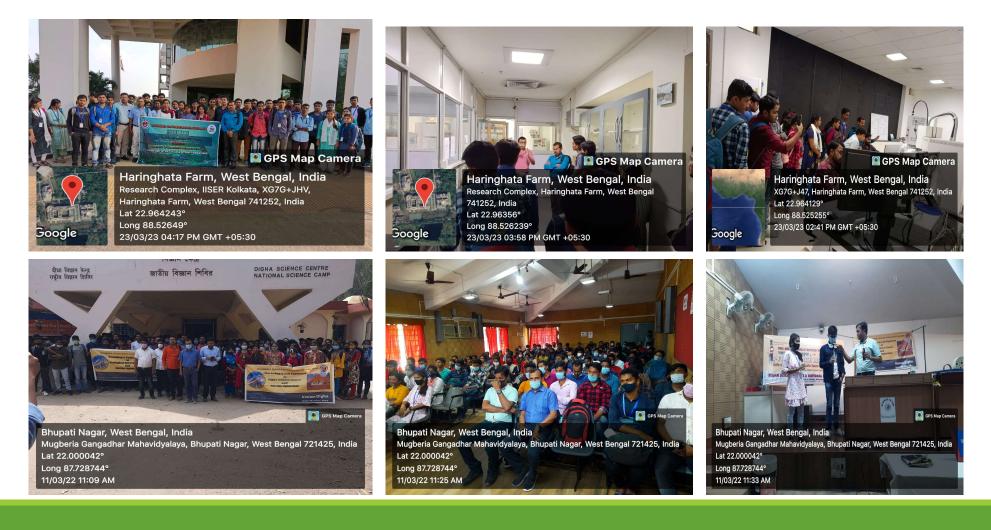
1. Lab exposure visit to Science City Digha, Purba Medinipur organized by department of Chemistry, Mathematics and Zoology on 2nd March, 2021

2. Lab exposure visit to Science City and Zoological survey of India, Digha, Purba Medinipur organized by department of Chemistry, Mathematics and Zoology on 11th March, 2022.

3. Effective exposure to the modern facilities (academic and research) at IISER Kolkata organized by department of Chemistry, Mathematics and Zoology on 23/03/2023



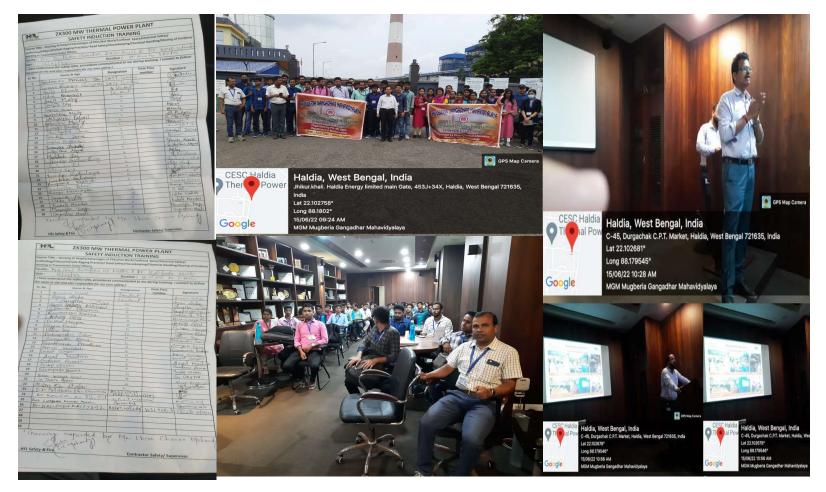
Exposure and field visit to IISER Kolkata and Zoological survey of India, Digha



Outcome of the Visit

- Exposure to a Lab of National Eminence containing different High Precision Analytical Instruments used for chemical samples analyses.
- > One-to-one interaction with eminent scientists of the visited institutes.
- > Hands on training for samples analyses.
- > Understanding the chemical process and analytical techniques for samples analyses.
- > Preparing a survey report.
- > Motivation and acquiring ideas for becoming a chemist in future.

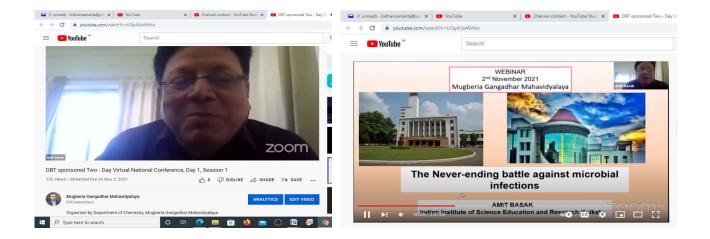
Industrial Visit to Haldia Energy Limited, Haldia, Purba Medinipur



Lectures Delivered by Experts/Speakers in the relevant subject area

1. Speaker: Dr. Amit Basak, FNA, FASc, FNASc, FAScT, JC Bose National Fellow, D. Phil. (Oxford), Ph. D. (Calcutta), Visiting Professor, Department of Chemistry School of Bioscience, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

Title of the talk: "The Never-ending battle against microbial infections"



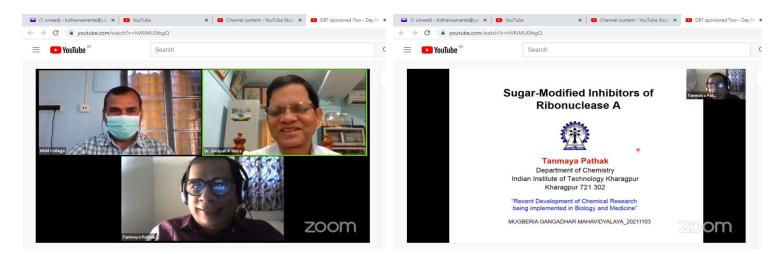
2. Speaker: Dr. Pralay Maiti, Professor, School of Materials Science and Technology, Indian Institute of Technology (BHU), Varanasi Title of the talk: "Materials for Healthcare"



DPT enoncored Two Day Virtual National Conference Day 1 Section 2

3. Speaker : Dr Tanmaya Pathak, PhD, FAScT, FASc, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

Title of the talk: "Sugar-Modified Inhibitors of Ribonuclease A"



4. Speaker : Dr Bijan Kumar Das, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Presidency University, Kolkata, India Title of the talk: "Origin of life"



5. Speaker : Dr. Mukut Chakraborty, Professor, Department of Chemistry, West Bengal State University, Barasat, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal

Title of the talk: "Life and works of P C Ray"



6. Speaker : Dr. Manoj Kumar Chakrabarti, Convener, ISCA Kolkata & Director-incharge, National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases (ICMR), Beliaghata, Kolkata Title of the talk: "Various discoveries in Biology and Medicine"



7. Speaker: Dr. Goutam Kumar Dalapati, Senior Research Fellow, National University of Singapore delivered a Popular talk and interactive session

Title of the Talk: "Decarbonization and Sustainable Energy"



Community Outreach activities

1. One Day Workshop on "Conservation and Utilization of the Traditional Surface Water (Ponds/Rivers/Lakes) for Domestic Consumption" Dated **18**/01/2022



2. Two day National Seminar on "Popularization of Mushroom's Cultivation, its Medicinal Values and Trade for Socio-economic development of Rural Areas



3. Poster and Model competition among the college and nearby school students on the occasion of National Science Day 2022 under DBT Star College Strengthening scheme in collaboration with Pachim Banga Biggyan Mancha and IIC of the college



4. Poster and model competition on soil pollution, water scarcity, solid waste management and green energy arranged among the local school and college students



5. Awareness camp in local schools to encourage and motivate the students towards higher studies in bioscience along with allied sciences like Chemistry, Mathematics



6. Exposure Visit and workshop for School Students to DBT Star College Strengthening Scheme awarded departments



7. Innovation & Entrepreneurship Outreach Program in Schools



8. Solar assisted Ecological balance approach to upgrade traditional Pond Water sourced from Rain Water to safe Drinking Water



9. Outreach Activity for Local School Students on Advancement of knowledge in addressing global health challenges



Outcome of the Outreach Activities

- * Students and teachers from ten different higher secondary schools located near by the college visited the three supporting departments of our college and got exposure to the different laboratories, understanding the chemical process and analytical techniques for doing experiments along with other laboratory works.
- * Exposure to different Analytical Instruments commonly used for UG practical works.
- * One-to-one interaction with eminent teachers of the departments and also with the invited speakers from the institutes of repute.
- * Hands on training for some fundamental experiments as well as for the processes related to mushroom production, surface water treatment, chemical and bacteriological testing of water.
- * Also given exposure to the research works performed in the department to motivate and to acquire ideas for becoming a research scientist in future.

Training of Lab Manpower

1. Training program regarding accounting and admission software provided by InfoTech Lab, Kolkata dated 01.06.22



2. Certificate Course on Chemical Lab Technician during 02nd December 2022– 17th January 2023



Impact of the Star College Scheme

Sl No.	Indicator	Pre-support	During/After support			Remarks
			2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
1	No. of applications for admission	60	75	90	105	Increasing
2	Pass percentage	100	100	100	100	100
3	Dropout Rates	12%	10%	8%	6%	Decreasing
4	No. of students opting for M. Sc.	09	11	10	12	Tendency to choose professional courses
5	Awareness of DBT JRF exam	Not aware	Aware but not applied			Applied for JAM, GATE, NET Exam

2020-21: Both JAM and GATE qualified 1
2021-22: JAM qualified 2
2022-23: JAM qualified 2, CUET: 1

Budget Expenditure

Item	Grants received from DBT during the period (in lakh)	Expenditure incurred during the period (in lakh)	Balance (in lakh)	Remark
1. Non-Recurring	10.00	10.00	0.00	Purchase of equipments
2. Recurring	9.00	9.00	0.00	Purchase of chemicals and glass apparatus
Total	19.00	19.00	0.00	

S. No	Name of Equipment	Item wise Cost	Date of purchase of
		(In Rs.)	equipments
1	Digital pH meter 3 Nos (Systronics)	42126/-	22.01.21
2	Microwave Oven 1No (LG)	33040/-	22.01.21
3	Rota vapor 1 No (Kshitij)	37225.99/-	17/03/21
4	Water Chiller Circulation (Kshitij)	77484.00/-	17/03/21
5	Heating Mantle 2 Nos	21898.00/-	17/03/21
6	Electrophoresis Unit 1 No (Cole-Parmer)	99999.99/-	17/03/21
7	Stirring Hotplate Stuart (Cole-Parmer)	44250.04/-	17/03/21
8	Water Bath (6 hole) 5 lit (Cole-Parmer)	72097.99/-	17/03/21
9	Flame Photometer (Elico)	97420.99/-	17/03/21
10	Ultra Centrifuge (Kubota Japan)	77290/-	26.02.21
11	Centrifuge Head (100 ml, 1.5 ml)	22538/-	26.02.21
12	Teflon lined steel autoclave	25075/-	26.02.21
13	Digital Photoelectric colorimeter 3 Nos	20425.80/-	08.02.21
14	Digital Potentiometer	20933.20/-	08.02.21
15	UV light with chamber	11799/-	08.02.21
16	Digital Balance Nos 2 upto 0.1 mg (Wenser)	23364/-	08.02.21
17	Soil Tensiometer	47141/-	08.02.21
18	Rough Digital Balance 5kg	3776/-	18.03.21

Assets acquired by the department out of DBT Grant

S. No	Name of Equipment	Item wise Cost	Date of purchase of
		(In Rs.)	equipments
19	Digital Viscometer	93586/-	06.05.21
20	3 phase Muffle Furnace	31499/-	06.05.21
21	Stainless steel Hot air oven	14407/-	17/05/21
22	Surface and Inter Facial Tensiometer	49501/-	17/05/21
	DU Nouy Principle (Manual)		



Water Bath with thermostat

Tensiometer





Rotavapor with chiller



Electrophoresis unit



Ultrasonicator



Conductivity meter



pH meter



Potentiometer



Hot Air Oven



Flame photometer



Digital Viscometer



Stirrer with hotplate

Furnace

Centrifuge



Microwave oven

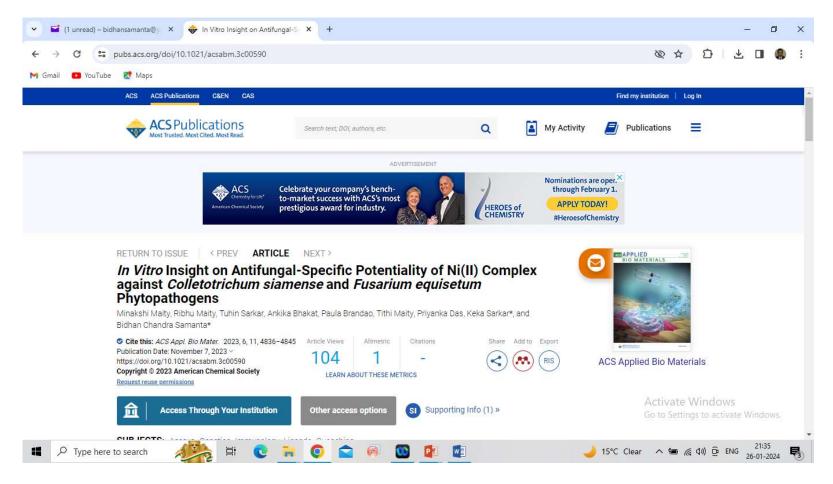


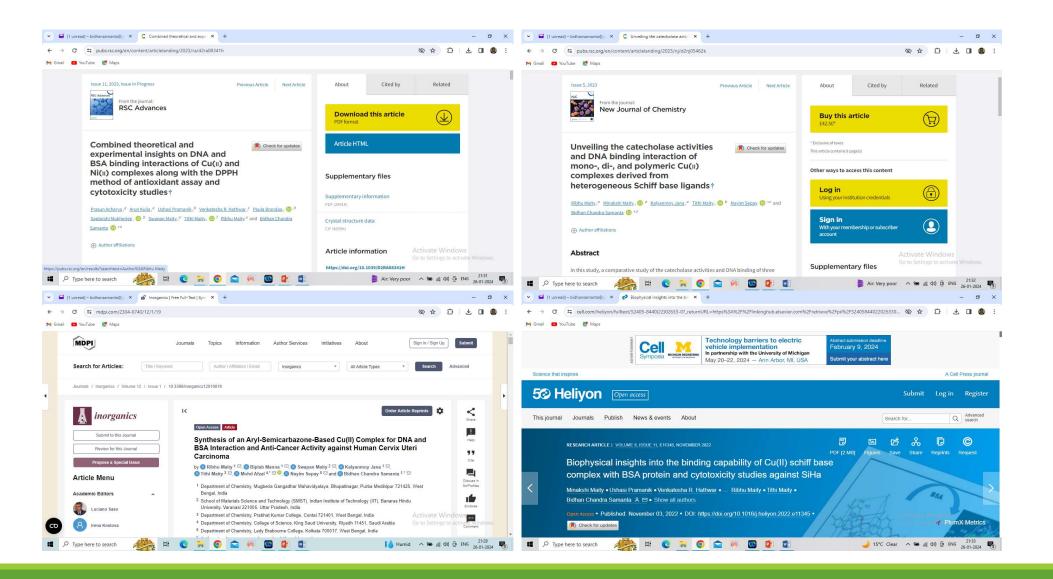
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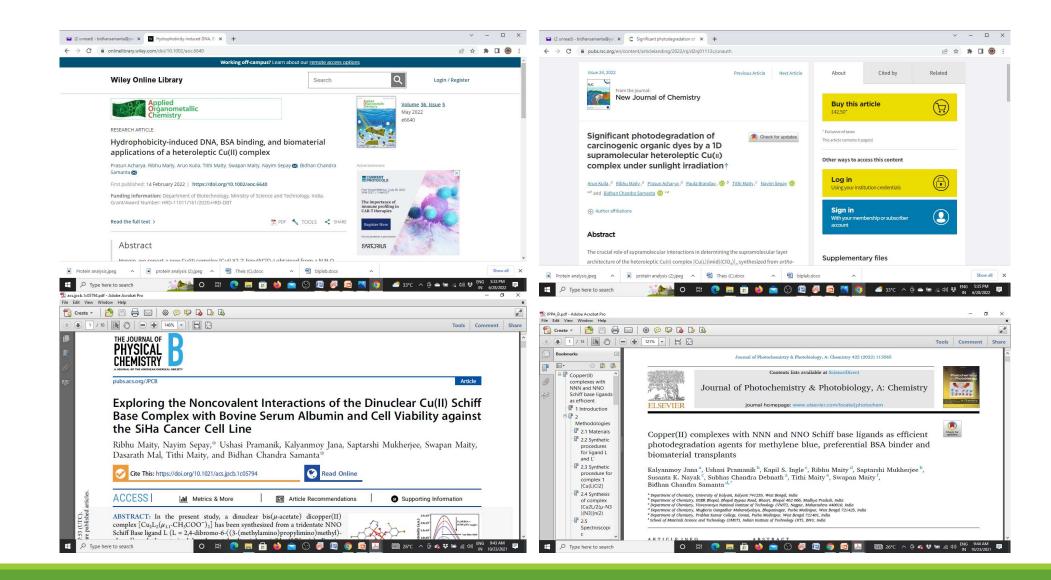


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Basic research published in reputed journals under the financial support of DBT







Future Activities

1. Carry out more Minor Research projects on Synthesis of transition metal complexes and their bio applications and in advance chemistry research area for undergraduate Students

2. More Outreach programme/workshops for school students and community people for self-employment

3. More Academic visit of students to reputed research laboratories and industries and carry out more hands on training of advanced level and sophisticated instruments for students

4. Carry out more Interdisciplinary and interdepartmental activities like Cultivate medicinal plants used to produce herbal medicines for the benefit of the society, Analysis of BOD and Heavy metals in water, DNA interaction studies of metal complexes, Sewage treatment for reuse, Pond water treatment for domestic uses

Concluding Remarks

- * In spite of rural and backward college we are struggling with all our existing potential and positive thinking to uplift the department.
- * Our existing infrastructure and potentiality have been strengthened with estimated support from DBT.
- * We would like to convey our thankful gratitude to DBT, Govt. of India for generating financial support to our department under Star college strengthening scheme.





