## National Conference on Frontiers in Heterogeneous Catalysis [HETCAT-2018] at Grand Mercure (Surya Palace) Vadodara from 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018

The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Faculty of Science & Catalysis Society of India (CSI)-Baroda chapter jointly hosted the National Conference on Frontiers in Heterogeneous Catalysis [HETCAT-2018] with a special session on HOMOGENEOUS CATALYSIS at Grand Mercure Hotel, Vadodara during 8-9<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

The said conference was organized under convener and co-convener ship of Prof. Anjali Patel, Head, Chemistry Department, MS University of Baroda, Vadodara and Dr.Raksh Vir Jasra, Head, RIL-R&D Centre, respectively. During this two days conference, there were excellent presentations on various aspects of catalysis such as catalysis for industries, catalysis for fine chemicals, environmental catalysis, asymmetric catalysis, nano-catalysis and homogeneous catalysis. This platform has also provided an opportunity to the young research scholars to discuss their work in the presence of the experts and their guidance.

This workshop witnessed participation of about 150 scientists and students. The workshop was inaugurated by eminent industrial scientist Dr. Madhukar Garg, President, Reliance Industries and Prof. Haribhai Kataria, Dean, Faculty of Science, M S University of Baroda and Inaugural lecture was delivered by Dr. Madhukar Garg., Reliance Industries Limited. The conference was deliberated in following 6 technical sessions covering invited/plenary talks from eminent scientists and professors from various Industries and academic research institutions.

- Industrial catalysis for refining and petrochemicals
- Catalysts for fine chemicals,
- Environmental catalysis,
- Asymmetric catalysis,
- Nano-catalysts and
- Homogeneous catalysis.

The content and learnings of the conference were well received and acknowledged by the participants which is envisaged to energize the Industry-Academia collaborations for the development of industrial catalysis for various applications.















