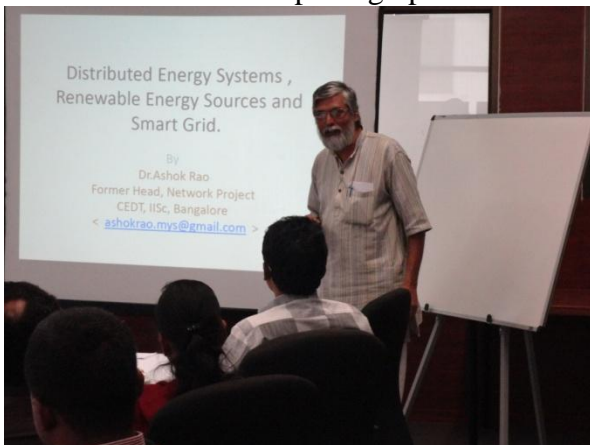


GERMI has introduced Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series (DSLS) from the academic year-2013 by inviting eminent scientists from the reputed institutions of India and abroad. In the year 2013, Prof. Manika Prasad (CSM, USA), Shri S. K. Biswas (ONGC, India) and Prof. Ramesh P. Singh (CU, USA) have been invited and presented interesting overviews and findings of their research activities on Jan. 2, 2013, May 13-16, 2013 and Dec. 24, 2013, respectively.

Continuing the same, GERMI has started the distinguished lecture series in the year 2014. The first lecture-cum-interactive session was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Rao, Ex-Head, CEDT, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, on “Distributed Energy Systems (DES) and Smart Grid”. In his talk, Prof. Rao highlighted the idea of DES and how DES allows for design and integration of other aspects of Smart Grid. The session has been quite informative and well appreciated by the faculty members and student participants from GERMI, PDP, UGVCL and Govt. Engineering College, Gandhinagar. The whole event was coordinated by Sanjay Behura, Scientist, Solar Energy Research Wing-GERMI and Jignesh G. Bhatt, Research Scholar, Department of Electrical Engineering, SOT-PDP under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) T. Harinarayana, Director-GERMI and Dr. Omkar Jani, Principal Research Scientist in Solar Energy Research Wing-GERMI.

Given below are some photographic moments of the event:



Prof. Ashok Rao (L) while delivering his session. Interacting with Prof. Harinarayana (R).



Prof. Harinarayana (L) presents a memento to Prof. Ashok Rao and Participants (R).

Science Day Lecture by Padma Bhushan Dr. V.K. Saraswat

Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI) and Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU) in Gandhinagar have celebrated ‘Science Day 2014’ on February 28, 2014. The event was started with the welcome address by Prof. P. K. Banik, DG-PDPU. Prof. T. Harinarayana, Director-GERMI shared his valuable insights on the purpose of Science Day in India. Padma Bhushan Dr. V. K. Saraswat, Former Director General-DRDO was the chief guest and delivered a lecture on the topic ‘Energy Security in India’. Addressing the august presence, Shri D. J. Pandian, Additional Chief Secretary, Energy and Petrochemicals Department, Govt. of Gujarat highlighted the importance of various energy issues in the country and thanked Dr. Saraswat for his wonderful lecture in which he covered all the energy aspects. As a token of respect, Prof. Harinarayana felicitated Dr. Saraswat with a memento. The event was concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. Omkar Jani, Principal Research Scientist, Solar Energy Research Wing-GERMI. The lecture has been quite informative and well appreciated by the scientist, faculty members and participants from GERMI, PDPU, UGVCL, IPR, ISR, IIAR, GSPC and GARDI Engineering College, Rajkot. The event was coordinated by Mr. Sanjay Behura, Scientist ‘B’, Solar Energy Research Wing-GERMI with the support of GERMI and PDPU Staff. Finally, it was decided to continue such events every year by GERMI and PDPU.



In the dais: Prof. T. Harinarayana, Director-GERMI; Dr. V. K. Saraswat, Former DG-DRDO; Mr. D. J. Pandian, Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat and Dr. P. K. Banik, DG-PDPU.



Padma Bhushan Dr. V. K. Saraswat delivering lecture on ‘Energy Security in India’ as part of Science Day 2014 and GERMI Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series 2014.



Dignitaries and Participants from various institutes of Gandhinagar are listening the lecture of Dr. V. K. Saraswat.

