A Report 3rd IEEE International Conference on Recent Advances in Information Technology (RAIT-2016)

The Department of Computer Science & Engineering of Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad organized the 3rd IEEE International Conference on "Recent Advances in Information Technology (RAIT–2016)" at ISM, Dhanbad during 03-05 March 2016. The General Chair and Program Chair of the conference was Dr. Chiranjeev Kumar. Dr. Haider Banka was the Program Co-Chair and Dr. Sushanta Mukhopadhyay was the Organizing Chair of the Conference. RAIT-2016 was endorsed by the IEEE, IEEE Communication Society Kolkata Chapter & TEQIP-II ISM Dhanbad. These organizations have extended their technical support to make this event truly at the International level.



Inaugural Function on 03rd March 2016

The first national conference on Recent Advances in Information Technology, RAIT 2007 was conceived in greater interest to bring together all IT professionals, researchers, academicians, industry people and valued users to a common platform and discuss recent changes in the world of IT and their role in the global scenario. The inaugural edition of seminar in the year 2007 played its role to perfection. RAIT 2009 retained the national avatar of its predecessor, before RAIT raised the stakes and went international in 2012, with unprecedented success. It was followed by RAIT 2014, and after two years, the department conducted the third edition with a grand success that made not only the department, but also the entire ISM fraternity proud.

Just like its predecessors, the vision of RAIT 2016 was to provide awareness about the recent advances in the Information and Communication technology, through tutorials, keynote addresses and pre-reviewed research paper presentations. The conference served

as an excellent platform for all the participants to share their views and ideas. Another endeavor of this conference was to collate and present the latest development in IT/Computer along with realistic assessment of the current status and trends. The inaugural function was presiding over by Prof. D. C. Panigrahi, Director of ISM. Padma Shri Prof. Sankar K. Pal, Distinguished Scientist and Former Director at ISI Kolkata was the Chief Guest, and Shri Sushil Chandra, Head of Bio-Medical Engineering, INMAS, DRDO was the Guest of Honour of the inaugural function. Prof. U. K. Singh, Director (acting) of ISM graced valedictory function of the conference. The Chief Guest of valedictory function was Prof. Narendra S Chaudhari, Professor of IIT Indore and Director VNIT Nagpur. Prof. Bhabani P. Sinha, ISI Kolkata was the Guests of Honour of the valedictory function.



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Dr. Chiranjeev Kumar General Chair & Program Chair Prof. D. C. Panigrahi Director, ISM Dhanbad



Shri Sushil Chandra Head of Bio-Medical Engineering INMAS, DRDO



Padma Shri Prof. Sankar K. Pal Distinguished Scientist and Former Director at ISI Kolkata



Dr. Haider Banka Program Co-Chair

In inaugural session, Prof. Panigrahi talked about the startling transformation from the good old days when IT was seen as an anathema in the Indian society to the current scenario, with the field of ICT receiving the highest funding from the government. Shri Chandra, who was visiting ISM for the first time, mentioned the exotic fields of robotics and neuro-informatics, and remained optimistic of India, riding on outstanding research in IT, becoming a superpower by 2023. Prof. Pal, was highly enthused by the conference and said that an every discipline to be discussed in RAIT deserved a conference of its own. He suggested that the conference should at least span four days and warning that the future looked Chinese, encouraged young researchers to work hard, keeping China as the benchmark.

Padma Shri Prof. Sankar K. Pal, Distinguished Scientist and Former Director at ISI Kolkata and Shri Sushil Chandra, Head of Bio-Medical Engineering, INMAS, DRDO also delivered the Keynote Addresses. There was a long list of invited speakers, Prof. Narendra S Chaudhari - IIT Indore, Prof. A. K. Tripathi – IIT (BHU) Varanasi, Prof. Jaya Sil - IIEST Shibpur, Prof. B. P. Sinha – ISI Kolkata, Dr. Pabitra Mitra - IIT Kharagpur, Dr. Donghoon Chang – IIIT New Delhi, Prof. Nabendu Chaki - University of Calcutta, Dr. Nabarun Bhattacharya - C-DAC Kolkata, Mr. Naveen Mehra – Fortinet and Mr. Manish Ranjan - Hewlett Packard Enterprise.

While Padma Shri Prof. Sankar K. Pal, Distinguished Scientist and Former Director at ISI Kolkata discussed about the trending topic of fuzzy sets and how the usage of indiscreet values in a set gave rise to an entire new branch of computer science, Shri Sushil

Chandra, Head of Bio-Medical Engineering, INMAS, DRDO spoke about the cognitive applications of virtual reality and how trending research is conducted in the labs at DRDO.



Shri Sushil Chandra Delivering Keynote Address

Padma Shri Prof. Sankar K. Pal Delivering Keynote Address

Two tutorials were organized on 03^{rd} March 2016, the details are:

Торіс	Speaker	Number of
		participants
		Attended
Cognitive Radio Networks and	Prof. Iti Saha Misra	54
QoS Aware VoIP Communication	Dept. of Electronics and	
	Telecomm. Engg., Jadavpur	
	University, Kolkata	
	&	
	Chairperson of IEEE ComSoc	
	Kolkata Chapter	
Patterns of Big Data and Analytics	Mr. Siddharth Srivastava	61
Adoption: Information	Principal Member of Technical	
Architecture Importance and Big	Staff, Server Technologies-DB,	
Data Predictions for Technology	Oracle Corporation, Bangalore	



Prof. Iti Saha Misra Delivering Tutorial

Mr. Siddharth Srivastava Delivering Tutorial

Both tutorials started from the very basics and held the audience captive with their lucid explanations.

The first invited talk on challenges and problems in information and communication technology research by Prof. A. K. Tripathi, IIT(BHU) Varanasi, was also held on the first day. On the second day, an invited talks on cryptographic techniques for authentication by Dr. Donghoon Chang, IIIT Delhi, content based image retrieval emphasis on the Bag-of-Visual Words by Prof. Jaya Sil, IIEST Shibpur and Deep Learning by Dr. Pabitra Mitra, IIT Kharagpur. All the talks tackled the current problems in the particular field head on. The third day saw invited talks on polynomial solvability of NP complete problems by Prof. Narendra S Chaudhari, IIT Indore, Channel Allocation on Cognitive Radio Networks by Prof. B P Sinha, ISI Kolkata, Electronic Nose by Dr. Nabarun Bhattacharya, C-DAC Kolkata and Using Technology to facilitate Healthcare for Citizens in Rural Areas by Prof. Nabendu Chaki, University of Calcutta. Another highlight of the day were the invited talks by Mr. Naveen Mehra from Fortinet about the challenges in Network Security and Mr. Manish Ranjan, from Hewlett Packard talked about the oft underrated topic of Industry Academia Enterprise, who Collaboration.



Prof. A. K. Tripathi IIT (BHU), Varanasi



Dr. Donghoon Chang IIIT Delhi



Prof. Jaya Sil IIEST Shibpur



Dr. Pabitra Mitra IIT Kharagpur



Dr. Nabarun Bhattacharya C-DAC Kolkata



Prof. Narendra S. Chaudhari IIT Indore



Prof. Nabendu Chaki University of Calcutta



Prof. B P Sinha ISI Kolkata



Mr. Naveen Mehra Fortinet

In terms of technical paper submission, the conference has received an overwhelming response from academicians and researchers from almost all renowned Institutes of India and Universities from USA, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, UK, Taiwan, Saudi Arabia. The conference has also received the technical papers from several reputed R&D Organizations and Software Industries such as CAIR Labs – Bangalore, DRDO – New Delhi, BARC – Mumbai, CDAC – Mumbai, CDAC – Bangalore, Xerox Research Centre – Bangalore, Samsung R&D Institute India, Robert Bosch Engineering and Business Solutions Limited, Newgen Software Technology Limited, Cognizant and many more. In total we have received 344 papers and after critical review from International and National reviewers around 37.8% of the papers i.e., 130 have been accepted and 122 papers were presented during 17 technical sessions. The details of each track are presented below:

Track	Track Name	Number of Papers Presented
No.		
1	Advances in Pattern Recognition and	05
	Machine Learning	
2	Advances in Cryptography & Network	05
	Security-I	
3	Advances in Communication - I	12
4	Advances in Image & Video Processing - I	10
5	Advances in Soft Computing - I	11
6	Advances in Soft Computing - II	06
7	Advances in Image & Video Processing - II	06
8	Applications of IT in Geo-Sciences and	06
	Mining	
9	Advances in Signal Processing	05
10	Advances in VLSI Design & Embedded	04
	Systems	
11	Advances in Computing & Real-Time	06
	Systems	
12	Advances in Communication - II	09
13	Advances in Cryptography & Network	04
	Security – II	
14	Applications of IT	10
15	Advances in Software Engineering &	07
-	Information Retrieval	
16	Advances in Artificial Intelligence &	07
-	Knowledge Discovery	
17	Miscellaneous	09

The Proceedings of the Conference, which is a collection of 130 research papers, has been published in two volumes by Powerprint, Dhanbad.

In order to make this conference truly an International event, Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeITY), Ministry of Communications and IT, Government of India, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Fortinet, Ruckus Wireless, AIPL, ACPL, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Infosys, R K Mediatech Pvt. Ltd. came forward with financial support.



Valedictory Function on 05th March 2016



Frof. Narendra S. Chaudhari Director, VNIT Nagpur Chief Guest



Prof. B. P. Sinha ISI, Kolkata Guest of Honour



Dr. Chiranjeev Kumar General Chair & Program Chair



Prof. U. K. Singh Director (Acting), ISM



Dr. Haider Banka Program C-Chair

During the Valedictory function, Dr. Chiranjeev Kumar, General Chair & Program Chair summarized the technical sessions and presented the recommendation of the conference. Prof. U. K. Singh, Director (acting), mentioned the rapid strides that information technology is taking, in general and expressed hope that one day, the farmers in the heart of the country would be greatly benefited by IT. The Guest of Honour Prof. B. P. Sinha from ISI Kolkata, who had attended every edition of RAIT organized by the department, remarked that the quality has been improving since 2007 and anticipated that RAIT would reach great heights in the future. Prof. N. S. Chaudhuri, Director VNIT Nagpur and Chief Guest of this function spoke about how IEEE, the technical sponsor of RAIT, provided a great platform for budding researchers and that young researcher should work hard to overcome challenges and build a better tomorrow.



The event culminated with the vote of thanks by Dr. Haider Banka, Associate Professor of the Department and the Program Co-Chair.