

Chemito announces National Award of Excellence for 2001

The Chemito National award of excellence for 2001, presented by Chemito Instruments, was conferred to joint winners comprising Dr Lallan Mishra, Professor of Chemistry, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi and to Dr (Mrs) Shobhana K Menon, Professor of Chemistry, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad. Constituted in 1998, in the memory of Shri B D Toshniwal, the award is given in recognition to the significant contribution in areas of applied research carried out using an instrumental technique (preferably chromatography or spectroscopy) and applied research in the field of chemistry and life sciences. Shri B D Toshniwal, one of the pioneers in analytical instrumentation in India was also founder of Chemito Instruments. Chemito Instruments majors in chromatography and spectroscopy instruments. Recently, the company has also expanded into air separation plants.



(L to R) Mr P K Arora, Regional Manager, Chemito Instruments, New Delhi, Mr Anurag Toshniwal, Director, Chemito Instruments, Prof. Y K Agarwal, Chairman - Chemito Awards Committee, Dr Lallan Mishra, Professor of Chemistry, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Dr (Mrs) Shobhana K Menon, Professor of Chemistry, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Mr Devraj Aiyar, Member, Chemito Awards Committee and Mr S L Siphimalani, Executive Director, Chemito Instruments.

The award carried an endowment of Rs

20,000, a certificate and a citation. The award ceremony, held at the Nuclear Research Laboratory Auditorium, IARI, New Delhi, also included a technical seminar on analytical techniques. Dr P B Varade, Principal Scientist, Nuclear Research Laboratory, appreciating the efforts of Chemito Instruments in institutionalising the award said that no other commercial firm had taken measures to enter into academics and honour scientists for their excellence.

Mr S L Siphimalani, Executive Director, Chemito Instruments said that the company was grateful to the scientific community for their continuous support and the invaluable feedback which helped it to meet the needs of the scientists.

(Aspirants for Chemito Award 2002 can submit papers to Professor Y K Agarwal, Chairman of the jury, Chemito Award Committee, Head of Chemistry Department, School of Sciences, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad - 380 009, India.)

EEC to supply slow speed aerators at new facility



Manufacturers of effluent treatment plant machineries, Environ Engineering Company (EEC) has bagged an order for the supply, erection and commissioning of 100HP, 50HP and 30HP slow speed aerators for Aurobindo Pharma Limited, Vizag.

EEC will conduct the testing of aerators of upto 150HP ratings implementing the oxygen transfer test as per American Standards in its newly upgraded and expanded hydraulic testing facility built as per international standard in its own manufacturing premises.

The continuous research and development activities are carried out in the in-house testing facility for optimising the oxygen transfer efficiency of aerators and to reduce the energy required for the aeration. The company has specially developed aerators suitable for the installations in aeration tanks with higher side water depths from 2.75 M to 5M.

EEC, promoted by Mr C B Thakore in 1979, has a product range comprising equipments like aerators, clarifiers, clariflocculators, thickeners, agitators, flash mixers, flocculators, oil separators and mechanised screens.

It has exported equipments to Metachem Exports, Nigeria, Puritas in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Elite Garments Industries, Knit Asia, Abul Khair Steel Industries and German Knitwear at Bangladesh. Besides the company has served chemicals, petrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, papers, distilleries, textiles, sugar, paints, foods and beverages, oil industries, refineries, dyes and intermediates, dairies and other industrial houses with different types of effluents in the field of environment. It has also helped industries to achieve the effluent quality norms as per pollution control boards.

Ranbaxy launches Project Pyramid

In a move to meet the emerging challenges in the marketplace post-2005, when the World Trade Organisation's patent regime will come into force, Ranbaxy Laboratories has embarked on an ambitious project, titled Pyramid.

Project Pyramid, to be effective within the next six months will aim at re-engineering and decentralising the company's sales and business operations. As part of the project, the company has decided to position Mumbai and Delhi as the two prime operational hubs for its strategic business units (SBUs).

It will create three more SBUs in addition to the existing six. The three new units will comprise cardiovascular, hospitals and super-specialities. Ranbaxy Super specialities will mainly deal with oncology and nephrology products. The company's generics unit has been divided into two viz, Blue R and Blue R Classic.

The company's six SBUs comprise Pharma, Stancare, Rextar, Crossland, Rexcel and Solus. The proposed restructuring plan also includes realignment of its existing products across various SBUs.

Project Pyramid has been prepared in co-ordination with C-Marc, a Kolkata-based consultancy firm specialising in pharma marketing. C-Marc is a prescription audit organisation that tracks eight million prescriptions from 7,000 doctors annually.

Ranbaxy, with the launch of Project Pyramid has focused on restructuring after a span of almost a decade.