### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## APPLICATIONS FOR INSA PROJECTS IN HISTORY OF SCIENCE

The Indian National Commission for History of Science approves Research projects annually on the subjects pertaining to History of Science and Technology under the guidance of the Research Council. Through this programme an investigator can take up source and theme oriented studies by compiling important scientific and technical works and making critical assessment in proper historical perspective.

#### **Facilities**

The Project Investigators are offered facilities of Research Assistants (Non –NET), JRF/SRF, Research Associates with suitable contingency and travel grant. Superannuated experts are also granted projects with Honorarium and other facilities for whole time research work.

Interested scholars may write to Executive Director, Indian National Science Academy, Bahadur Shah Jafar Marg, New Delhi-110002 or email at: esoffice@insa.nic.in or ijhs@insa.nic.in for further details. The application form can also be downloaded from the INSA Website: www.insaindia.org. The last date for submitting the project application form is 15th December 2012.

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### ICHSTM Congress Manchester July, 2013

The International Congress of History of Science, Technology and Medicine (ICHSTM) under DHST will take place next in Manchester, Northwest England from July 2013. It is the largest event in the field of History of Science and takes place every four years. Earlier congress of DHST had been held in Mexico City (2001), Beijing (2005) and Budapest (2009).

The Technical sessions and the facilities for tours and local scientific displays are co-ordinated by members of the University's Centre for the History of Science, Technology and Medicine. The call for stand-alone paper proposals is now openand may be submitted at **submissions@ichstm2013.com**. For details please visit the official website of Manchester Congress at <a href="http://www.ichstm2013.com">http://www.ichstm2013.com</a>

# RECENT PUBLICATIONS OF THE INDIAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HISTORY OF SCIENCE

History of Technology in India Vol. II, Editor: Prof. Harbans Mukhia, JNU, is released. Volumes I and III covering Ancient and Modern period were published before. The present Volume on Medieval Indian History of Technology fills up the long felt gap in the series. Volume spreading over 900 pages covers articles in the areas of agricultural production, crafts, mining & metals, navigation, civil engineering & communications, defence technologies and medieval therapies etc. The publication is based on sustained research, critical assessment of knowledge from several sources, with tables, photographs, sketches and references to sources and contributed by professionals.

**Price:** Rs. 1250/-; US \$ 350.

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*Rasaprakāśa Sudhākara* of Yasodhara Bhatta, a text on Indian Alchemy of 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> cent. AD. Sanskrit Text with English Translation is made by Prof. Damodar Joshi of BHU. Deals with drugs of mineral & herbal origin, processing techniques and is well known for their therapeutic and alchemical uses.

**Price:** Rs. 750/-; US \$ 300

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Fathullah Shirazi, A Sixteenth Century Indian Scientist (Revised and Reprinted Edition) Editors: MA Alvi and A Rahman. It is an important source material for medieval Indian history covering inventions on machines for cleaning gun barrel, wagon mill, travelling bath, and other areas like Illahi era etc. Also includes an important note on Fathullah's contribution to science and technology by Dr. Ishrat Alam.

**Price:** Rs.200/- ; US \$ 60

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**Kuṭṭākāraśiromaṇi** of **Devarāja**, an important commentary on two verses of kuṭṭaka (pulverizer) of  $\bar{A}ryabhat\bar{i}ya$ . Sanskrit Text with English Translation is made by Prof. Takao Hayashi of Doshisha University, Kyoto. This deals with method for solving linear indeterminate equations with examples along with integral solutions.

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