

# THE TWELFTH

# V. G. Kulkarni Memorial Lecture



The Twelfth V. G. Kulkarni Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Prof. Shashikumar M. Chitre, Distinguished Faculty at the Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences, and also INSA Honorary Scientist at the University of Mumbai. He retired from TIFR in 2001 after four decades of a distinguished career in Astronomy and Astrophysics with acclaimed contributions in several research areas and wide recognition as an effective teacher.

The memorial lecture will be preceded by the presentation of the 2012 Homi Bhabha Award in Science Education.

Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education  
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cordially invites you to the Twelfth **V. G. Kulkarni Memorial Lecture** and  
presentation of the 2012 **Homi Bhabha Award in Science Education** by

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**Date: Thursday, September 5, 2013**

**Time: 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm**

## Astronomy & Society

We will explore a range of links between astronomy and society: from the profound impact of astronomy on human affairs through the ages to the question of its direct benefit to humanity in modern times, and raising the question if indeed, astronomy has any future now that the Universe has been viewed through most of the observational windows. The fact that astronomy has come to be used as a ready-made cosmic laboratory for teaching of physics, chemistry and even biology, will be invoked to argue for weaving astronomy into the fabric of science education.



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