

OBITUARY



Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan

With profound sadness AERB informs the passing of Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan, former Chairman, AERB, on Sunday, 9th October 2022, at the age of 85.

Dr. Gopalakrishnan became a member of the AERB Board in 1990. He took over as Chairman AERB in June 1993. His area of expertise includes nuclear reactor safety analysis, heat transfer, reliability and failure analysis, energy systems and planning and execution of remote operation and robotic systems. He served as Chairman, AERB upto 16.06.1996.

Dr. Gopalakrishnan as Chairman, had significantly contributed to asserting AERB as a coming-of-age regulatory body. During his tenure, AERB addressed major regulatory challenges such as safety review and assessment of fire in Narora turbine building and regulation of X-ray equipment in the Country. The US-India dialogue for co-operation in nuclear safety regulation began in July 1994, under his Chairmanship.



Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan with A. Krishnan at KAPS during December 1991



Prof. A.K. De, Shri S.D. Soman, Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan and Prof. S. P. Sukhatme during AERB day function, November, 2002

AERBites remembers Dr. Gopalakrishnan with great reverence and fondness for his down-to-earth attitude his compassionate approach and deep level of understanding for his colleagues. AERBites feel honored to have worked with him and cherish his professionalism and mentorship to this day.

A condolence meeting in his memory was held on Monday in AERB.