

## **AERB Webinar on ‘Societal Benefits of Radiation Technology and Safety Aspects’ for educational institutes and professional associations in and around Chandigarh**

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AERB conducted public outreach webinar on virtual platform on November 24, 2020, from 3:00pm to 4:30pm on “Societal Benefits of Radiation Technology and Safety Aspects”, for institutions of higher education, medical institutes, hospitals and professional associations located in and around Chandigarh. The webinar was attended by many faculty members and students. Shri Deepak Ojha, Head, International Coordination and Communication Section, AERB while welcoming the participants informed that AERB organises interactive programs with stakeholders and public about its regulatory controls for nuclear and radiation safety and on technologies under its purview by conducting outreach programs across the country to disseminate the factual information and that owing to the constraints due to COVID 19, the webinar has been organised as part of the AERB program.



***Shri G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman AERB delivering the inaugural address***

Chairman, AERB, Shri G. Nageswara Rao, welcomed the participants of the webinar. Chairman, highlighted the substantial benefits accrued from applications of radiation in medicine, industry, agriculture, food preservation and security. Radiation technologies are

deeply entrenched in the working of society and AERB plays key role in ensuring the safety of personnel using these technologies and the public. AERB regulatory oversight has ensured that these facilities operate in-line with the international standards on radiation safety. This is evident from a near impeccable track record in the use of radiation technologies. He expressed that the public should not have any misgivings and fear of radiation technologies. Chairman, AERB thanked the participants for their keen interest to attend the webinar and encouraged their active interaction.

Dr. Avinash. U. Sonawane, Head, Directorate of Regulatory Affairs and Communication (DRA&C), AERB delivered a lecture on “Societal Benefits of Radiation Technology and Safety Aspects”.

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