

IIT Bombay is organising an Institute Colloquium on Monday, March 28, 2011. The details are as follows:



Speaker: **Prof. M. S. Narasimhan**
(FRS, King Faisal Prize)
Tata Institute of Fundamental Research,
Bangalore.

Title : **What do mathematicians do and how?**

Day & Date : Monday, March 28, 2011

Time : 5.15 p.m.

Venue : FC. Kohli Auditorium,
Department of Computer Science and Engineering

All are invited.

Abstract:

This lecture is intended for a general audience. The Speaker shall attempt to give an idea on the following:

- .what motivates a mathematician
- .the objects studied in mathematics
- .methodology of study
- .the role of abstraction in mathematics and
- .how such an abstract activity turns out to be of practical relevance.

About the Speaker

Prof. M.S. Narasimhan received his B.A(Hons.) from Madras in 1953 and doctorate in 1960 from IIT Bombay. Currently he is Honorary Fellow at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bangalore, and IMI Distinguished Associate, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

Prof. Narsimhan received S.S. Bhatnagar Prize in Mathematical Sciences in 1975; Meghnad Saha Award, University Grants Commission, in 1978; Third World Academy of Sciences Award for Mathematics in 1987; Srinivasa Ramanujan Medal, Indian National Sciences Academy in 1988; Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite, awarded by the President of France in 1989; Padma Bhushan awarded by the President of India in 1990; C.V. Raman Birth Centenary Award of the Indian Science Congress and Honorary Fellow, Tata Institute in 1994

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