Seminar

Institute for Plasma Research

Title: Integrity and Vigilance in Scientific Research: Safeguarding

National Assets and Public Trust

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Abstract

Vigilance in scientific institutions goes beyond audits and compliance; it is the foundation of integrity, accountability, and public trust. At the Institute of Plasma Research (IPR), where pioneering work related to plasma and nuclear fusion is carried out, vigilance must be viewed as a collective responsibility to safeguard national assets and uphold India's scientific reputation. Integrity in research demands honesty in data collection, transparency in publications, and ethical collaborations. Vigilance also extends to preventing intellectual dishonesty, such as plagiarism and falsification, ensuring that Indian science remains credible globally.

In today's digital era, cyber and knowledge vigilance are vital to protect sensitive data from espionage. Building a culture of vigilance—where openness, accountability, and courage to report irregularities prevail—is essential for institutional credibility.

Inspired by leaders like Homi Bhabha, Vikram Sarabhai, and Satish Dhawan, this vision of vigilance positions our scientists as custodians of both scientific progress and national trust. Vigilance, therefore, is not suspicion, but positive alertness and ethical responsibility.