

Accolades pour in for Asst. Professor

By Our Correspondent

Agartala, Sep 29, 2012 : Accolades come pouring down on the assistant professor Arijit Das, a chemistry teacher of Dharmanagar Degree College of North Tripura district for his contribution to chemistry. Das kept on receiving tremendous appreciation and honor from scholars across the country for his success in simplification of two established theories of chemistry in the 'Hybridization' and 'IUPAC nomenclature of Bicyclo and Spiro compounds' in a very simple way. **Recently, Das received two more valuable comments from two more eminent personalities of India from Prof. P K Chattaraj, Convener for Theoretical Studies, IIT-Kharagpur and Prof.R N Mukherjee, Head, IIT-Kanpur and Ex-Fellow of Harvard University.** Prof. Mukherjee in his message to Dr Das appreciated his efforts and wishes him in the implementation of these ideas in teaching undergraduate students. **Higher Education Minister Anil Sarkar had earlier honoured the assistant professor at Dharmanagar College on Thursday last for his inventions.** Das, earlier said, "in those days I was thinking of only one thing, Hybridization and IUPAC nomenclature; you may find it strange but the truth is that one evening while dozing off on a chair in my drawing room I suddenly woke up to the new formula on hybridization and noted it down immediately on my note-book; the crucial finding on IUPAC formula similarly came in a dream one night' said an elated Dr Das. His new formula for determining the pace and quantum of hybridization came out in a specialized article in the standard Indian journal 'Chemistry Today', published from Delhi by MTG Learning Media Programme (ISBN 2468) in May last year. The authority running the journal took one full year to ascertain the authenticity of the new formula on hybridization as well as to wait for any contradiction that might have been raised. 'They have confirmed in a letter recently the correctness of my findings, similarly my new findings on IUPAC nomenclature of Bicyclo and Spiro Compounds was published in 'Chemistry Today' journal in its April 2012 issue after a whole year' said Dr Arijit Das. His new discoveries have been appreciated also by professors of four leading universities, **Burdwan and Calcutta universities** in West Bengal, **Tripura Central University and North Eastern Hill University (NEHU).** Professors, **Dr. G N Mukherjee, Dr. Arabinda Kumar Das, Dr. Ranendu Nath and Dr. R A Lal** of the four universities have all congratulated Dr Das and said that they will introduce the new methods of study in their universities. 'This is the real recognition I have got though I am applying for J C Bose science award for the year 2012-2013, it comprises a citation and a cash prize of Rs 20 thousand which I will donate to Ram Krishna Mission provided I actually win the prize' said Dr Arijit Das. Speaking on his two inventions, Das added that though these are basics of undergraduate and graduate level study of chemistry, students find the existing methods uninteresting and complex and claimed that his method was far easier and fascinating.