

## 2001

**Name:** Prof. K Subba Rao

**Designation:** Head of Biochemistry Department, School of Life Sciences, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** The Chemistry and Molecular Biology of Aging

**Quote:** “Very Good Meeting and a Noble Venture by Children of Dr. K V Rao. Science must be grown scientifically otherwise it is not Science.”



## 2002

**Name:** Dr. Seyed E Hasnain

**Designation:** Director, Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** GM Foods – Promises and Perils

**Quote:** “I am honored to be associated with a function to commemorate the memory of a great chemist. My compliments to the Dr K V Rao Scientific Society for starting this effort to recognize our future leaders in Chemistry.”



## 2003

**Name:** Dr. K V Raghavan

**Designation:** Director, Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Modern Scientific Endeavours - New Socioeconomic Benchmarks

**Quote:** “Privileged to deliver Dr. K.V. Rao Memorial Oration – 2003 in the presence of very distinguished Scientists and Guests”



2004



**Name:** Dr. K P C Gandhi

**Designation:** Director, Andhra Pradesh Forensic Science Laboratory, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Role of Science in Upholding Truth and Justice

**Quote:** “Excellent Work being done by the Society. Please concentrate on science with Human values through Debate and Essay Competitions for building National Character, which Society like this can only take up.”

2005



**Name:** Padma Shri Dr. Gullapalli N Rao

**Designation:** Distinguished Chair of Eye Health, L.V. Prasad Eye Hospital, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Health Research to Health Care

**Quote:** “A great Idea to Stimulate Young Minds and encourage Young Talent. Congratulations on this effort”

2006



**Name:** Dr. Indiranath

**Designation:** Member, Scientific Advisory Committee to Cabinet, Director, Blue Peter Research Centre, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Pursuit of Science - From Laboratory to Society

**Quote:** “Wonderful Service to Science in recognising young talent and encouraging them to do even better in future”

## 2007

**Name:** Dr. B Sesikeran

**Designation:** Director, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Life Style and Disease

**Quote:** “I am thankful to the Society who are doing wonderful service to Science and Scientific Talent in this part of the Country. This is the best way to honour a great scientist like Dr. K V Rao”



## 2008

**Name:** Prof. P Rama Rao

**Designation:** Former Secretary, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Promoting Science & Technology in India – Evolution of Institutions and Mechanism

**Quote:** “It was a wonderful experience for one to be at the Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society Award function and see the great work being done by Dr. Sastry, Dr. Ratna and their colleagues in promoting interest in Science, which is the need of the hour”



## 2009

**Name:** Padma Shri Dr. Lalji Singh

**Designation:** Director, Centre for Cellular & Molecular Biology, Hyderabad, Telangana

**Oration Topic:** Mystery of Our Origins

**Quote:** “I Congratulate Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society for their fantastic efforts to promote science by catching children and young scientists and encouraging them by giving public awards and nurturing the talent. My hearty Congratulations to the Society and its office bearers”



2010



**Name:** Dr. Mustansir Barma

**Designation:** Director, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai

**Oration Topic:** Random Walk in Science

**Quote:** “Dr. K V Rao enunciated a vision of facilitating propagation of scientific temper among young students. In the past decade, the Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society continued and indeed expanded Dr. Rao's original effort. My heartiest Congratulations to them for encouraging young students, thus helping the cause of science in India”

2011



**Name:** Dr. J S Yadav

**Designation:** Director, Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad

**Oration Topic:** Chemistry in the Service of Mankind

**Quote:** “Excellent Programme. I am glad to attend speech of Dr. A K Susheela's lecture. Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society is doing excellent job to bring awareness about science and promoting students to take science as a career. Maybe we should think of awarding best science teacher award in future”

2012



**Name:** Dr. E Bhagiratha Rao

**Designation:** DSc, n. dc. a Fellow of the AP Academy of Science and former Director Defence Electronics Research Laboratory, Hyderabad

**Oration Topic:** Satellite Launch Vehicles and Space Station

**Quote:** "It was a great pleasure to meet so many dedicated persons who are serving the cause of science. It was also a great pleasure to meet so many young achievers”

2013

**Name:** Prof. Ramakrishna Ramaswamy**Designation:** Vice Chancellor, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, Telangana**Oration Topic:** Chaos & Uncertainty**Quote:** "Superb Job and very necessary. A Great Example to follow"

2014

**Name:** Prof. Uday B Desai**Designation:** Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana**Oration Topic:** Innovations in Science & Technology**Quote:** "K V Rao Scientific Society is doing a great job of inculcating the spirit of scientific inquiry among youngsters. My very best wishes"

2015

**Name:** Dr. Sourav Pal**Designation:** Director, National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, Maharashtra**Oration Topic:** Cross-disciplinary approach to Science**Quote:** "An excellent program and a great honour to give the oration of the Society. It was a great experience to address all interact with the enthusiastic members of the Society"

2016



**Name:** Dr. A. Ajayaghosh

**Designation:** Director, CSIR – National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

**Oration Topic:** Science and Technology: Empowering People and Nation

**Quote:** “It was great pleasure and honour to be part of the Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society Meeting. I Congratulate the Society for the interest and effort taken in promotion of science among children and scientists. Wish KVRSS all success”

2017



**Name:** Dr. D K Aswal

**Designation:** Director, CSIR - National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi, India

**Oration Topic:** Noise Pollution

**Quote:** “Wonderful work is being done by KVRSS to generate scientific temper amongst young minds and I wish they will go a long way. Wishing all the best wishes”

2018



**Name:** Dr. Anurag Kumar

**Designation:** Director, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, Karnataka

**Oration Topic:** The Internet of Things: Technology and Prospects

**Quote:** “I really enjoyed my visit and the interactions with the organizers and the awardees. This is a remarkable initiative towards encouraging young people for getting into science and technology. May you all serve many many successful years ahead”

2019

**Name:** Dr. B N Suresh**Designation:** Chancellor, Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala**Oration Topic:** Role of Science and Technology for Betterment of Society**Quote:** "I consider it a great privilege to be here with you on such an important occasion of Dr. K V Rao Scientific Society Annual Awards Function KVRSS has been promoting science and technology and particularly with the school and college children as the targets, organising science quizzes and many activities and this is what is needed presently where science and technology promotion has taken a back seat in the country "

2020

**Name:** Prof. Mannepli Lakshmi Kantam**Designation:** Dr. B.P. Godrej Distinguished Professor of Green Chemistry, Department of Chemical Engineering, Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai**Oration Topic:** Design and Development of Catalysts for Green and Economical Processes & Technologies for Chemical Industry.

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