

# Prof. G. B. Behera Endowment Lecture – 2023

(4<sup>th</sup> Lecture in Series)

On 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 at 3.00 PM on Google Meet (  [meet.google.com/hye-nzeu-nrm](https://meet.google.com/hye-nzeu-nrm) )



**Speaker:** *Padma Shri* Professor K. N. Ganesh, *FTWAS, FNA, FASc, FNASc*  
**Professor and Director, IISER-Tirupati**

**Title of the Talk:** *Janus Peptide Nucleic Acids: PNAs with bimodal recognition of DNA and RNA*  
**Recipient of**

S. S. Bhatnagar Prize in Biology (1998), TWAS Prize (2005),  
SASTRA-CNR Rao Award of SASTRA University (2015)



**Prof. G. B. Behera**, born in 1939, received M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees from Ravenshaw College and joined Sambalpur University in 1969 at the time of the inception of the Department of Chemistry. He took the lead role to develop the Department in its present form. He has visited the United States as a UGC Visiting Scientist (1985). His able leadership generated momentum to create a vibrant research environment in addition to teaching activities in the Department. His research interests center on organic synthesis, surface chemistry, and reaction mechanism. He has published more than 150 research articles and reviews in various reputed journals. Because of his enormous contribution, the School of Chemistry, Sambalpur University could make its mark in Indian academia.

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