

Information Booklet

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Introduction

Welcome to TIFR for “**Wide Band Spectral and Timing Studies of Cosmic X-ray Sources**” Conference.

As the organizers, we would like to make sure that you will have a pleasant stay during the conference period in Mumbai, India. To make things handy here are some information. The Conference “Wide Band Spectral and Timing Studies of Cosmic X-ray Sources” will be held at Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai from **10th January to 13th January, 2017**.

Registration for the Conference will be on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 from **9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**

The **first day (January 10)** session will commence from **10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** The **second day (January 11)** session will commence from **9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.** The **third day (January 12)** session will be from **9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** The **last day (January 13)** session will be from **9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

The **Welcome gathering** will be on first day (January 10) from **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** and the **Conference banquet** is on third day (**January 12**) from **7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** at the **TIFR Guest House**.

All the main sessions will be held at the Lecture Theatre (**AG-66**) on the ground floor of TIFR. The total number of participants are 149. For all the participants accommodated at HBCSE, Trident, Sea Palace, Amber, Taj Vivanta, Fariyas, YWCA and YMCA, transport facility has been arranged to facilitate commutation between place of accommodation and TIFR.

Wi-Fi facility will be available to all participants during the conference in AG-66 and Almond Grove. The lunch during the Conference will be at Almond Grove. Tea will be served outside West Canteen at the specified times. Tea and snacks will be continuously available at the Almond Grove during the conference.

Registration Payment

The registration fees applicable to deferent categories of participants:

- 1) International Faculty - USD 200.00 (₹ 13,600/-)
- 2) Indian Faculty - ₹ 5,000/-
- 3) International Post-docs/Students - USD 100.00 (₹ 6,800/-)
- 4) No registration fee for Indian Post-docs/Students

Registration fees will take care of local hospitality of all participants at conference venue i.e. Lunch, Tea/Snacks for all four days, a Banquet & Conference material.

Participants are requested to transfer fees online to the conference account.

Bank Details are:

- 1) Name of the Account Holder/Beneficiary: ‘COSMIC X-RAY SOURCE’
- 2) Bank Account Number: 3549452362
- 3) Name & Address of the Bank: Central Bank of India, TIFR Branch, Homi Bhabha Road, Colaba, Mumbai 400005
- 4) Branch Code: 3996
- 5) Account type/Nature of Account: Current Account

6) IFSC Code of the Bank: CBIN0283996

7) MICR Number: 400016012

Foreign participants may also pay in cash on first day of arrival at the conference venue. Person from Thomas cook will be available to convert foreign currency into Indian Rupee. He will accept foreign currency in cash or by card. ATM facility is also available within and around TIFR campus.

Indian participants are requested to transfer online if possible, otherwise they can also make payment in cash at the conference venue on first day of their arrival.

Please note that registration fees once paid will not be reimbursed.

Waiver has been awarded to a few registrants on case by case basis.

Map of TIFR

For a detailed map of TIFR, follow this link:

http://www.tifr.res.in/~dbs/Google%20Maps_TIFR_Mumbai.html

Structure of TIFR

Here we include a detailed structure of TIFR. Note that there will be pointers indicating the different destinations during the workshop.



Layout plan of TIFR

TIFR office building comprises of mainly 4 blocks: A, B, C and D. For a detailed layout, follow this link: http://theory.tifr.res.in/OutsideHelp/layout_tifr.jpeg

A Block:	
Ground Floor	Main Reception Area, West Canteen, Lecture Theatre (AG66), Lecture rooms (AG80, AG69 & AG77)
Mezzanine Floor	Library – Journals & Magazine Section
First Floor	Establishment Section Administration, Cashier, Accounts Section, Purchase Section
Second Floor	Department of Astronomy & Astrophysics (DAA), TAP Seminar Room (A-269) School of Technology & Computer Sciences (STCS)
Third Floor	School of Mathematics Office Department of Theoretical Physics (DTP)

Fourth Floor	Director's Office, Dean, Natural Sciences Faculty (NSF) School of Mathematics, Department of Theoretical Physics
<u>B Block</u>	
Ground Floor	East Canteen, ATM Counter, Central Bank of India, Mailing Section Department of Chemical Sciences (DCS) labs
First Floor	Medical Section, Dental Section Department of Nuclear Physics (DNAP) and DCS labs & offices
Second Floor	Department of Biological Sciences (DBS)
Third floor -	Department of Biological Sciences
<u>C Block</u>	
Ground Floor	Central Computing Facility Telephone Exchange Department of Condensed Matter Physics
Mezzanine Floor	Department of Astronomy & Astrophysics (DAA)
First Floor	Department of High Energy Physics (DHEP)
Second Floor	Department of Condensed Matter Physics (DCMP)
<u>D Block</u>	
Ground Floor	Transport Section
Mezzanine Floor	Security & Fire Officer
First Floor	Library - Books Section
Second Floor	Department of High Energy Physics (DHEP), DCS labs & offices
Third Floor	DAA and DCS labs & offices
Fourth Floor	Conference Rooms (D405, D406), DHEP labs, DTP and DHEP students' sitting room (D429)

[Medical Facilities](#)

TIFR has a medical section in B-Block, First Floor. Routine medical treatment is given during OPD hours. Pathological tests are conducted in the nearby pathology laboratory located in the Jagdish building in TIFR Housing Colony, based on the referral of the Institute's Medical Officer.

Working hours of the Medical Section:

Medical Section is located in room B 106. The following are the working hours:

09:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Library

TIFR has an open access library which primarily caters to the information needs of the scientific community in TIFR. It functions from two different locations ('A' Block & 'D' Block) and is open all days throughout the year. The working hours are as follows:

- 'A' Block (Journal Section) - Weekdays: 7:45 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Sundays & Holidays: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- 'D' Block (Books Section) - Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sundays & Holidays: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

How to reach us

From Airports

From Chhatrapati Shivaji International OR Domestic Airport - 60-120 mins by taxi

Airport terminals are located at Sahar, east of the suburb of Andheri. It takes about 60-120 minutes (depending on rush hour) by road to reach TIFR. Transport facilities from airports:

Pre-paid taxis

One is Mumbai's famous "black and yellow" cab and other is "Cool cab". There is a counter just inside the arrival hall. Specify your destination as 'Navy Nagar'. The rates are posted prominently behind the counter. You will be given a receipt for your payment. Retain this till the end of your ride; then hand it over to the taxi driver. At the exit from the airport, the police may want to look at this slip.

There are radio cabs also available in the airport premises. You will have to book the cab before exiting the airport building. The cost will be about ₹ 700-800/- from International airport and less than that from the domestic airport. This service is by tariff meter.

Meter taxis

These are private AC-cooled luxury meter taxis like Meru Taxis (022-4422-4422), Mega Cabs (022-4242-4242) or Easy Cabs (022-4343-4343). There is a free phone counter inside the arrival hall to book these cabs. There are also radio cabs/Uber/Ola available in the airport premises, which can be booked through the corresponding mobile applications.

Once you reach Navy Nagar, it is easy to find TIFR. It lies at the far end of Homi Bhabha Road (one of Navy Nagar's principal roads), beyond the Navy Nagar bus terminus, on the left side. Most passersby on the street will know where it is, but remember that it is commonly referred to as 'TIFR' rather than 'Tata Institute'.

N.B.: In addition to the stated options, there are private tour operators who give service to TIFR on payment basis. You can contact them directly if you are interested to hire them. The contact details as follows:

1. ComfyBus (Mr.Noble Antony : +9122025013365, Mob: +91 9821060560, Email Id: comfybus@gmail.com)

2. VOLGA CARS (Mrs. Pavithran :+91 22 22044493 Mob: +91 9869229382, Email Id: volgacars@yahoo.co.in, bookings@volgacars.com)

You can also explore the possibility of a hotel arranged pick up.

For further details, you may follow the links:

<https://indico.tifr.res.in/indico/internalPage.py?pagelId=4&confId=5101>

<https://indico.tifr.res.in/indico/internalPage.py?pagelId=8&confId=5101>

<https://indico.tifr.res.in/indico/conferenceDisplay.py?ovw=True&confId=5101>

From Railway Stations

From Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (CST) - 20-30 mins by taxi

Taxis are available from the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus. Alternatively, buses (routes 3, 6 Ltd, 136) come to Navy Nagar from outside the local station at CST. TIFR is on the same road as the Navy Nagar bus terminus, which is where you should get off.

From Mumbai Central - 30-45 mins by taxi

Taxis are available from the ranks outside the station. Alternatively, you could cross over to the local station and board a Churchgate bound local. You have to buy a separate ticket for the local train.

From Churchgate - 15-30 mins by taxi

Taxis are available from outside Churchgate. Alternately, a bus (route 137) comes from Churchgate to the Navy Nagar terminus, down the road from TIFR.

An alternative mode to reaching from CST and Churchgate Railway stations is to take free TIFR bus service. The bus follows a circular route first reaching CST and then Churchgate station.

Rooms for the conference

All the main talks will be held at the Lecture Theatre AG-66 (ground floor). Parallel sessions in the evening will be held simultaneously at AG-66, AG-69 and AG-80 (all in ground floor).

The Colloquium will be held at AG-66.

If participants want to hold additional group discussions, they can book the room A-269 (2nd floor, DAA seminar room) from the Helpdesk in advance, on an hourly basis.

If any participant wants some place to sit and work, he/she can do so in the West Canteen Lounge (anytime during the workshop), or in AG-80 (except during parallel sessions) or in Almond Grove. Workshop Wi-Fi will be available in these places.

Daily Transport

To facilitate the commute between the places of accommodation and TIFR, vehicles will be available as per the schedule mentioned below :

Date	Place	Pick-up from place of accommodation	Departure from TIFR	Vehicle
10/01/2017 Tuesday	HBCSE	08:00 AM	08:30 PM	35 seater bus
	Trident	08:30 AM	08:30 PM	Innova
	YMCA	08:40 AM	08:30 PM	45 seater bus
	YWCA	08:45 AM	08:30 PM	45 seater bus
	Sea Palace	08:40 AM	08:30 PM	Innova
	Vivanta	08:45 AM	08:30 PM	Innova
	Fariyas	08:45 AM	08:30 PM	Innova
	Amber	08:50 AM	08:30 PM	Innova
11/01/2017 Wednesday	HBCSE	08:15 AM	08:00 PM	35 seater bus
	Trident	08:50 AM	08:00 PM	Innova
	YMCA	09:00 AM	08:00 PM	45 seater bus
	YWCA	09:05 AM	08:00 PM	45 seater bus
	Sea Palace	09:00 AM	08:00 PM	Innova
	Vivanta	09:10 AM	08:00 PM	Innova
	Fariyas	09:05 AM	08:00 PM	Innova
	Amber	09:10 AM	08:00 PM	Innova
12/01/2017 Thursday	HBCSE	08:15 AM	09:30 PM	35 seater bus
	Trident	08:50 AM	09:30 PM	Innova
	YMCA	09:00 AM	09:30 PM	45 seater bus
	YWCA	09:05 AM	09:30 PM	45 seater bus
	Sea Palace	09:00 AM	09:30 PM	Innova
	Vivanta	09:10 AM	09:30 PM	Innova
	Fariyas	09:05 AM	09:30 PM	Innova
	Amber	09:10 AM	09:30 PM	Innova
13/01/2017 Friday	HBCSE	08:15 AM	04:00 PM	35 seater bus
	Trident	08:50 AM	04:00 PM	Innova
	YMCA	09:00 AM	04:00 PM	45 seater bus
	YWCA	09:05 AM	04:00 PM	45 seater bus
	Sea Palace	09:00 AM	04:00 PM	Innova
	Vivanta	09:10 AM	04:00 PM	Innova
	Fariyas	09:05 AM	04:00 PM	Innova
	Amber	09:10 AM	04:00 PM	Innova

If you wish to commute at other times or in the unlikely event of missing the bus, please avail a cab or public transport. The AC-cooled meter taxis like Meru Taxis (022-4422-4422), Mega Cabs (022-4242-4242) or Easy Cabs (022-4343-4343) can also be booked. Cabs from TIFR can be booked by calling the number: +91-22-2278-3636.

Flamingo Watching Trip

We have arranged a “Flamingo Watching Trip” for the bird lovers. Every year during winter, thousands of flamingoes fly from Kutch in Gujarat and stay in Mumbai. The best time to see them is during January to March as these months sport the maximum number. Out of all the spots in Mumbai, Sewri is the best one to see them. Various other birds like Black-Headed Ibis and Black-Tailed Godwit, Western Reef-egret, River Tern, Sandpiper, Green Shank, Herons, Egrets, Cranes, Wagtails, Swallows can also be seen.

We have arranged transport to visit Sewri on 13th January 2017 (Friday). Sewri is around one hour drive from TIFR.

Cost per person: ₹ 300/-

13th January 2017 (Friday):

04:00 PM: Departure from TIFR. Reach Sewri around 1700 hrs.

05:00 PM to 06:00 PM: Bird watching

06:00 PM: Return journey starts.

Note: Transportation can be arranged on request for those who are interested to visit Sewri in the morning of any day from 11th January 2017 to 13th January 2017. The cost of vehicle (INNOVA A/C 6 seater) is ₹ 1400/-. It is advisable to form a group and share the cost.

Canteen facilities in TIFR

Canteen facilities

There are several canteens at the TIFR campus.

West Canteen: The food available here is somewhat different from the one that you get in East Canteen. Apart from regular food, boiled vegetables and less spicy food are also served here.

Jagdish Canteen: This is a canteen run by a private contractor and is located in the ground floor of the Jagdish building in TIFR Housing Colony. This canteen is open throughout the week from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Canteen Timings

West Canteen Timings	
Monday to Friday	
Early Morning Tea	-
Breakfast	8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Morning Tea	10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch	12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Evening Tea	3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Dinner	-
Saturday	
Lunch	1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Jagadish Canteen (Ground Floor of Jagadish building in the Housing Colony) is open from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. every day.

Contact

Please feel free to call the following people for any help or emergency:

1. **Mr. Mahendra Hingar:** +91-9004393794
2. **Mr. Krishnan Kutty:** +91-9867205151
3. **Mr. Milind Patil:** +91-9869308330
4. **Ms. Shobha Shenoy :** +91-9324848589

A Helpdesk will also be set up in front of the Lecture Theatre (AG-66) from 9.15 to 10.15 a.m. and 2.15 to 3.15 p.m. on all the days of the conference.

Looking forward to seeing you here in January 2017.