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**Professor Umesh V. Waghmare**  
*President*

8 January 2024

Professor Deepankar Choudhury  
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Dear Professor Choudhury,

The Council of the Indian Academy of Sciences in its meeting held in December 2023 has recommended your election to the Fellowship of the Academy. Please accept my warmest congratulations!

Since its inception in 1934, nearly 2000 of the leading scientists of India (as well as some from outside India) have been elected Fellows of the Indian Academy of Sciences. Through its various activities, our Academy plays a major role in furthering the cause of science in the country, and Fellows of the Academy not only act as spokespersons for their disciplines, but also for the science at the national level.

The activities of the Academy come under three major categories: scholarly publication, science education, and science dissemination. The Academy publishes 12 scientific journals on different subjects, including Current Science (in association with Current Science Association) and organizes several discussion meetings on important topics of scientific interest. In addition, we have a vibrant visitors' programme whereby distinguished colleagues from across the world can be invited to occupy the Raman, Janaki Ammal, Jubilee and Academy-Springer Nature Chair Professorships. We support development of white papers on the topics of contemporary importance to science education, research and development in India. Detailed information on these activities is available on our website ([www.ias.ac.in](http://www.ias.ac.in)).

The Academy has an extensive and active science education programme in which the Fellowship and the scientific community of the country play an important role. There are refresher courses of up to three weeks, summer research mentorship as well as short discussion meetings that are held all across the country. The Academy selects a few outstanding younger scientists as Associates each year. In all our programmes, we strive to achieve our objectives in an equitable manner.

A matter that has received particular attention over the past year has been summarised in the document "Scientific Values: Ethics Guidelines and Procedures", the revised guidelines for ethical conduct that we expect all Fellows to uphold.

The Academy meets twice a year, the mid-year meeting being in early July, and an annual meeting held in the first week of November. I hope that it will be possible for you to attend these meetings regularly and have rich interactions with Fellows from various disciplines. Your participation in the activities of the Academy and your help in promoting its programmes will be crucial.

I look forward to your active involvement and will be happy to hear from you as to how we can strengthen these activities. With best wishes for a very happy New Year 2024, and with my personal regards,

Sincerely,

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