



# Invitation

You are cordially invited for the inaugural function of

**9<sup>th</sup> National Finite Element  
Developers' & FEAST Users' Meet**



On **May 25, 2026** at **14:30 Hrs**

Venue: **Yashpal Auditorium, SAC Ahmedabad**

Inauguration by **Shri. Rajarajan A**  
Director, VSSC, Thiruvananthapuram



**Beena AP**  
**Chairperson**  
Steering Committee, NAFED09

**Arup Kumar Hait**  
**Chairperson**  
Local Organising Committee - SAC

# Inaugural Function

Monday, May 25, 2026



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<b>14.30 hrs</b>	Invocation	
<b>14.32 hrs</b>	FEAST Curtain raiser video	
<b>14.40 hrs</b>	Welcome Address	<b>Smt. Beena A P</b> Deputy Director, VSSC(STR) Chairperson, Steering Committee, NAFED-09
<b>14.45 hrs</b>	Presidential Address	<b>Shri. Somya S. Sarkar</b> Director, SAC, Ahmedabad
<b>14.55 hrs</b>	Inauguration & Inaugural Address	<b>Shri. Rajarajan A</b> Director, VSSC, Thiruvananthapuram
<b>15.10 hrs</b>	Address on "Vision for FEAST", Release of FEAST 2026 & Coffee Table Books	<b>Dr. Unnikrishnan Nair S</b> Dr. Vikram Sarabhai Professor & Former Director, VSSC, Thiruvananthapuram
<b>15.20 hrs</b>	Felicitation Address	<b>Shri. Rajeev Jyoti</b> Director, Technical, INSPACE
<b>15.25 hrs</b>	Release of Book of Abstracts	<b>Shri. Somya S. Sarkar</b>
<b>15.27 hrs</b>	Prize distribution for FEAST workshop challenge winners	<b>Shri. Rajeev Jyoti</b>
<b>15.30 hrs</b>	Vote of thanks	<b>Shri. Arup Kumar Hait</b> Deputy Director, SAC (MESA) Chairperson, LOC-SAC, NAFED09
<b>15.35 hrs</b>	National Anthem	
<b>15.40 hrs</b>	High Tea	
<b>16.00 hrs</b>	Introducing Keynote Speaker	<b>Shri Sundaresan M K</b> Head, PSFD/STR, VSSC
<b>16.05 hrs</b>	Keynote Address	<b>Dr. Santhosh Kapuria</b> R C Malhotra Chair Professor, Dept. of Applied Mechanics, IIT Delhi
<b>16.45 hrs</b>	Invited Talk	<b>Dr. Debanik Roy</b> Homi Bhabha National Institute (HBNI), Department of Atomic Energy, Mumbai
<b>17.25 hrs</b>	Tea Break	
<b>17.45 hrs</b>	Cultural Programme	
<b>19.00 hrs</b>	Dinner	