

# GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT (GITAM)

# Multidisciplinary Unit of Research on Translational Initiatives (MURTI)

## **MURTI-Colloquium**

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Director

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Mumbai- 400085

Topic : Radiation, Nuclear Energy and

**Environment** 

Day and Date: Friday, June 20, 2024

Time : 10.30h – 12.00 h

Venue : KRC Auditorium

GITAM (Deemed to be University)

## All are requested to attend

(Hari Misra), 9920458791 Distinguished Professor of Life Sciences

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### Radiation, nuclear energy and environment

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The nuclear energy is important to combat climate change as well is important for improving the human development index of a nation. Nuclear energy is low-carbon, clean and reliable source of electricity. In addition, nuclear energy is useful in many beneficial effects related to health, societal and industrial growth. We will present an overview of radiation, which is in an integral part of the civilisation. We will review and analyse the existing radiation protection philosophy, which is based on a linear no-threshold (LNT) model for cancer risk assessment and implies that a single ionising radiation has a risk possibility. The LNT model does not consider the adoptive response of biological systems, and has created unnecessary fear of radiation in public. We will try to analyse the past studies, scientific biases, ethical and moral challenges, nuclear fallout, and the development of international policies. It is emphasized that there is a need to carry out extensive scientific studies (especially at low doses) and to move away from LNT model to a more realistic Hormesis model that considers adoptive responses.