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NISER prof becomes fellow of Royal Society of Chemistry

Bhubaneswar: An associate professor at the School of Chemical Sciences, National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER) in Bhubaneswar was made fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry, London.

Himansu Biswal, who received the honour two days ago, developed a software, along with his students, called 'ViLEG' (Virtual Laboratory Experiments for Graduates) to demonstrate various experiments to rural students without using laboratory equipment. It is meant for undergraduate and post-graduate students who do

not have access to high-end and costly instruments. They can do several experiments virtually through this software.

Biswal, a native of Ram-pa village in Jajpur district, completed his PG from Utkal University and PhD from Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai. He went for higher education at CEA, Saclay, Paris and the University of Michigan, USA.

He joined the School of Chemical Sciences at NISER Bhubaneswar in 2012. Apart from teaching chemistry, he is involved in building scientific instruments. TNN

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