

Brief Curriculum vitae of Prof. Anil Bhardwaj, Distinguished Professor

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(1) Employment History:

Feb. 2017 – Present : Director, Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), Ahmedabad, India
Feb. 2014 – Feb. 2017 : Director, Space Physics Laboratory, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Trivandrum, India
Sept. 2007 – Feb. 2014 : Head, Planetary Science Branch, Space Physics Laboratory (SPL), VSSC, Trivandrum, India
July 2002–Sept. 2007 : Senior Scientist, Space Physics Laboratory, VSSC, Trivandrum, India
Jan. 2004–Oct. 2005 : NRC Senior Research Associate, NASA Marshall Space Flight Center, USA [on Leave from ISRO]
Aug. 1993– June 2002 : Scientist, Space Physics Laboratory, VSSC, Trivandrum, India

(2) Education Degrees:

B.Sc.	Physics	1985	Lucknow University	Ist Class
M.Sc.	Physics	1987	Lucknow University	Ist Class
Ph. D.	Applied Physics	1992	Indian Institute of Technology, Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU)	

(3) Research Experience: > 37 years in Planetary & Space Sciences and Exploration, and Space Instrumentation

Experiments on Indian Planetary and Space Missions:

- 1) **Principal Investigator (PI)**, Sub-keV Atom Reflecting Analyzer (SARA) on *Chandrayaan-1 - First Indian Moon Mission*.
- 2) **PI**, Mars Exospheric Neutral Composition Analyzer (MENCA) on *First Indian Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM)*.
- 3) **PI**, Chandra's Atmospheric Composition Explorer (CHACE-2) on the *Chandrayaan-2 Orbiter* mission.
- 4) **Direct Supervised:** (i) XSM on *Orbiter of the Chandrayaan-2 mission*; (ii) ASPEX (sensors, SWIS and STEPS) on *Aditya-L1 mission*; (iii) APXS on *Rover of Chandrayaan-3 mission*; and (iv) CHASTE on *Chandrayaan-3 Lander mission*.
- 5) **Currently Supervising:** (i) DISHA Aeronomy Mission; (ii) *Various instruments on future Venus, Moon & Mars missions*.
- 6) **Leading the future Planetary and Space Missions** experimental program of India.

Multi-Wavelength Planetary Astronomy using Ground- and Satellite-based Telescopes:

- 1) **PI** on *first radio observation* (obs.) of **Jupiter** using **Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT)**, Feb. 2003.
- 2) **Co-I**, **Jupiter GMRT** obs May-June 2007, May-June 2008; **Co-PI**, *first GMRT obs. of Venus*, Jan. 2014, July-Sept. 2015.
- 3) **Co-I**, **Chandra X-ray Obs. (CXO) HRC-I Jupiter** obs. Dec. 2000; **CXO HRC-I obs Jupiter** 2001; **CXO ACIS and Hubble Telescope (HST) STIS Jupiter** obs Feb. 2003; **Co-I**, **CXO ACIS Saturn** obs Jan. 2004; **CXO HRC-I Earth** Dec. 2003-April 2004.
- 4) **Co-I** on **XMM-Newton X-ray** obs. of **Saturn** April & Oct. 2005; obs. of **Mars** Aug. 2016; **Pluto** in April-May 2017.
- 5) **Co-I** on **Multi-wavelength GMRT, NASA-IRTF, HST, IPRT, SPRINT-A, Nict 34m** obs. of **Jupiter**, Jan. 2014, Sept.-Oct.2024.

(4) Awards and Honors: [selected]

1. **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize**, in Earth and Planetary Sciences, 2007. [Highest Indian science award for age < 45 years]
2. **ISRO Team Excellence Award** for *Chandrayaan-1 Science and Mission*, 2008.
3. **Indo-Swedish Project Award**, Swedish Research Council, 2010; **Indo-Swiss Joint Research Program Fellowship**, 2010.
4. **ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) Merit Award**, 2012.
5. **Distinguished Alumnus Award**, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT – Banaras Hindu University), 2015.
6. **Vainu Bappu Memorial (International) Award** of Indian National Science Academy, 2016.
7. **Infosys Prize** in Physical Sciences of Infosys Science Foundation, 2016. [Highest Science Award in India]
8. **Decennial Award** of Indian Geophysical Union, 2017.
9. **Outstanding Achievement Award** of *Indian Space Research Organization*, 2017. [Highest in-service ISRO award]
10. **J. C. Bose National Fellowship** of the Government of India (Science & Engineering Research Board), 2019.
11. **Prof. M. G. K. Menon Lecture Award** of The National Academy of Sciences, India, 2021.
12. Chapter "*A Rocket to Poke Martians*" on *Life and work of Anil Bhardwaj* in Children's Book "*They Made What?*", 2021.
13. **Distinguished Alumni Award** of the *University of Lucknow*, Lucknow, 2022.
14. **Shree Pramukh Swami Maharaj Endowed Chair Professorship**, P.D. Patel Institute of Applied Sciences, CHARUSAT, 2022.
15. **INSA Distinguished Lecture Fellowship Award**, 2023.
16. **Featured in Book '100 Great IITians: Dedicated to the Service of the Nation'**, Compiled by Comm. V. K. Jaitly, 2024.
17. **COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal**, by International Committee on Space Research, 2024.
18. **International Academy of Astronautics, Basic Sciences Section Award**, 2024.

(5) Distinguished Lectures: [selected]

1. **Nehru Centenary Lecture** of the Kerala Academy of Sciences, 2007.
2. **Distinguished Lecture - Planetary Sciences**, Asia Oceania Geosciences Society, Japan, 2014.
3. **Dr. P. R. Pisharoty Memorial Lecture** of the Kerala Science Congress, 2015.
4. **Lunar and Planetary Society's Endowment Lecture** of Gujarat Science Congress, 2018.
5. **6th A. P. Mitra Memorial Lecture**, 2020.
6. **DAE - C V Raman Lecture** of the Indian Physics Association, 2021.

(6) National and International Fellowships of Science Academy/Union:

1. **Elected Fellow**, Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS), 2023.
2. **Elected Academician (Fellow)**, International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), 2018.
3. **Elected Fellow**, National Academy of Sciences, India (NASI), 2014.
4. **Elected Fellow**, Indian National Science Academy (INSA), 2010.
5. **Elected Fellow**, Indian Academy of Sciences (IASc), 2009.
6. **Elected Fellow**, Kerala Academy of Science, 2013; Gujarat Science Academy, 2019; Astronautical Society of India, 2021.
7. **Elected Member**, International Astronomical Union (IAU), 2009; **Elected Fellow**, Indian Geophysical Union, 2008.

(7) Membership in Professional Bodies:

1. **Member**, American Geophysical Union (since 1988).
2. **Member**, Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS), since 2004.
3. **Life Member** of: (i) Astronomical Society of India, (ii) Kerala Academy of Sciences, (iii) Indian Society of Atomic and Molecular Physics, (iv) Plasma Science Society of India, (v) Indian Physics Association, (vi) Indian Science Congress Assoc., (vii) Astronautical Society of India, (viii) Indian Radio Science Society, (ix) Indian Planetary Science Association.

(8) Service to Scientific Community: [Selected]

1. **President**, *Planetary Science Section* of the **Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS)**, 2006–2010.
2. **Board of Trustee**, *International Academy of Astronautics*, Basic Sciences Section, 2023–2025.
3. **Vice-Chair**, **COSPAR Commission B**, 2012 – 2020.
4. **Member**, **International Academy of Astronautics - Commission 1** (Space Physical Sciences), 2015–2017, 2023–2025.
5. **Member**, several Award Committees, incl. **SwarnaJayanti**, **Birla Science Prize**, **Bhatnagar Prize**, **CSIR awards**, etc.
6. **AOGS: Chair** Publication Committee 2006–2008; **Member Committee: Awards** 2014–2016, 2024–; **Publication**, 2017–.
7. **Chair**, **Sunanda and Satimay Basu International Early Career Award Committee of AGU**, 2019–.
8. **Member**, **IUGG Union Commission on Planetary Sciences (UCPS)**, 2015–2019.
9. **Editor-in-Chief**, *Advances in Geosciences* (World Scientific), 2006–2013.
10. **Associate Editor**, *Advances in Space Research* (Elsevier), 2014–2020.
11. **Member**, **Editorial Board**: *Planetary and Space Science* (Elsevier), 2007–2009, *Space Science Reviews* (Springer) 2010–2023; *Molecular Astrophysics* (Elsevier), 2015–2020; Book Series *Advances in Planetary Science* (World Scientific), 2015–.
12. **Member** of the **Council of The National Academy of Sciences, India**, 2022–2023.
13. **Member**, **International Academy of Astronautics Permanent Committee on Moon Farside Protection**, 2022–.

(9) Professional Responsibilities: [selected]

- 1) **Founding President**, **Indian Planetary Science Association (IPSA)**, 2023 –.
- 2) **Leader Indian Delegation: Portugal Science Summit**, 2017; **Indo-Israel Workshop on Astrophysics & Planetary Sci.**, 2019.
- 3) **Member**, **ISRO-NASA Planetary Science Working Group**.
- 4) **Member**, **Governing Council**: (1) *Indian Institute of Geomagnetism (DST)*, Mumbai; (2) *Indian Institute of Astrophysics (DST)*, Bangalore; (3) *National Centre for Earth Science Studies (MOES)*, Trivandrum; (4) *Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational Sciences (DST)*, Nainital; (5) *North-East Space Application Centre (DOS)*, Umiam-Shillong; (6) *Institute of Seismological Research (ISR) and Electronics and Quality Development Centre* (Government of Gujarat), Gandhinagar.
- 5) **Member**, **Research Advisory Council**: (1) *CSIR-National Geophysical Research Laboratory, Hyderabad*; (2) *CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography, Goa*; (3) *National Atmospheric Research Laboratory (DOS)*, Gadanki, (4) *National Centre for Polar and Oceanic Research (MOES)*, Goa; (5) *The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara*.
- 6) **Senate Member** of the **National Institute of Design** (Ministry of Commerce & Industry), Ahmedabad, 2022–2024.
- 7) **Member**, **Management Board** of **Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (DAE) Balloon Facility**, Hyderabad.
- 8) **Chairman**, **INSA - International Science Council (ISC) Committee for COSPAR, SCOSTEP and URSI**, 2020–2024.
- 9) **Chairman**, **Projects Advisory Committee (PAC)** for the **International Cooperation Programs** of **DST**, India, 2022–.
- 10) **Member**, **Senior Advisory Committee, Cosmic Ray Laboratory of TIFR (DAE)**, Ooty, 2022–.
- 11) **Member**, **ISRO APEX Science Board** for *Space Sciences and Exploration Research Programs* of **India**, 2017–.
- 12) **Reviewer**, Proposals for National/International Projects, Grants, Programs, Telescope time; Referee for various Journals.
- 13) **Member**, **Gujarat State Audit Advisory Board**, 2020–2024.

(10) Research Guidance and Student Supervision:

Ph.D.s – 9 (Michael, Jain, Raghuram, Ambili, Das, Dhanya, Shreedevi, Mukundan, Smart)

Mentored: > 90 M. Tech., M. Sc., M. Phil. dissertations, and Academy SRF, Post-Doctoral Fellows, INSPIRE Faculty.

(11) Conferences, Outreach, and Social Activities: [selected]

- 1) **Invited Talks at Conferences:** >130 (>50 outside India)
- 2) **Session Convener** or **Member SOC** of Conferences **outside India:** >66; **Major Conferences Organized in India:** >35.
- 3) **Invited lectures** in Space and Planetary Sciences at workshops/courses/training programs: >200
- 4) **Public Outreach Lectures** delivered at Schools/Colleges, or Science Camps: >125 (addressed >100,000 students)
- 5) **Initiated new programs in PRL** for **underprivileged and girl students in rural areas**, impacted >30,000 students.
- 6) **Started VIKAS Scholarship** for 9–12 Grade Students for **rural and economically weaker sections of society**, since 2020.

(12) Publications:

More than 220 peer-reviewed journal Publications; 7 Chapters in Books; Edited 6 Books; Editor of 3 Special Issues of Journals; Reviewed Books; several Popular/General Articles.