

BIBHA CHOWDHURI MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM 2026



Bose Institute
and
Bose Institute Alumni Association

February 13, 2026, 11:00 AM

Bibha Chowdhuri Auditorium
Unified Academic Campus
EN 80, Sector V, Salt Lake
Kolkata - 700091



Dr. Bibha Chowdhuri

Speakers



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Bose Institute in collaboration with Bose Institute Alumni Association (BIAA) launched a distinguished initiative to celebrate scientific excellence, promote gender equity, and honor India's rich research heritage. In this spirit, a **symposium** was organized in honour of Dr. Bibha Chowdhuri (1913–1991), on **February 13, 2026**. The event also featured the **unveiling of a bronze relief** commemorating Dr. Chowdhuri at Bose Institute. The programme was held at the **Unified Academic Campus, EN-80, Sector V, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700091**.



Dr. Bibha Chowdhuri, an esteemed alumna of Bose Institute and one of the earliest women physicists of India. She is renowned for her pioneering work in particle physics during an era when women in science faced formidable barriers. Notably, her research on meson mass at Bose Institute, conducted prior to Indian independence, preceded similar discoveries later made in the West, and her work has since been recognized as Nobel-worthy. In recognition of her remarkable scientific contributions, the International Astronomical Union, Paris, France, named a star (HD 86081) “Bibha,” and the Government of India established the Bibha Chowdhuri Physics Chair Fellowship to support women scientists. This symposium and the unveiling of the bronze relief aimed to celebrate the achievements of Indian women in science and inspire future generations.