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#### **Astronautical Society of India Announces Annual Awards -- Dr.Pramod P.Kale Gets Aryabhata Award**

Astronautical Society of India (ASI), Bangalore, has announced its annual awards for the year 2006. Dr Pramod Kale, Director, Integrated Circuit and Information Technology Pvt. Ltd., Pune, has been selected for the prestigious Aryabhata Award.

Astronautical Society of India (ASI), set up in 1990, is fostering the development of astronautics in the country through dissemination of technical and other information related to astronautics. It has instituted several awards to recognise talented Indian individuals who have made significant contributions to astronautics.

The detailed list of awardees for the year 2006 is as follows:

#### **Aryabhata Award 2006**

Dr Pramod Kale, Director, Integrated Circuit and Information Technology Pvt. Ltd., Pune

#### **ASI Awards 2006**

##### **Rocket & Related Technologies**

Shri T Sundararajan, IIT, Chennai

##### **Spacecraft & Related Technologies**

Shri S S Rana, Space Applications Centre, Ahmedabad

##### **Space Systems Management**

Shri K Suryanarayana Sarma, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

##### **Space Science & Applications**

Dr V S Hegde, ISRO Headquarters, Bangalore

#### **ISRO-ASI Awards 2006 (Sponsored by ISRO)**

##### **Rocket & Related Technologies**

Shri John P Zachariah, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram

##### **Spacecraft & Related Technologies**

Shri C L Nagendra, Laboratory for Electro-Optics Systems, Bangalore

Dr V K Lakshmeesha, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

#### **Women Scientist Award 2006**

Smt M Vanitha, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

Smt Jollydhar, Space Applications Centre, Ahmedabad

## **Young Scientist Award**

Shri Ayesha Sidhick, Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre, Valiamala

Shri Prateek Bansal, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

Shri Pankaj Priyadharshi, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram

Shri Anoop Kumar Shukla, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram

## **Team Achievement Award for 2006**

Dr A K Sharma, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

## **ASI Gold Medal 2006**

Shri A Sekar, ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore

Shri Sam K Zachariah, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram

Shri N Jeyan, Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre, Valiamala

Smt K K Santhakumari, ISRO Inertial Systems Unit, Thiruvananthapuram

Shri K Veera Raghavulu, Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota

Aryabhata Award carries a citation and Rs 1 lakh in cash while each of the ASI awards and Women Scientist Award carry a citation and Rs 25,000/- in cash. Team Achievement Award carries a citation and Rs 1 lakh in cash. ISRO-ASI Awards are sponsored by ISRO.

The awards will be presented at a function to be organised shortly.

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