

International NASA-ARSET workshop on Remote Sensing 23-26 May 2017

Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune organized International **NASA-ARSET workshop on Remote Sensing** of Air Quality: Data, Tools and Applications during 23-26 May 2017. The workshop was inaugurated by Chief Guest, **Dr. Suresh Naik** (Director, Popular Space Science, Chairman, International Space Society, President, Vijnan Bharati, Pune, & Ex-Group Director, ISRO) and Dr. Pawan Gupta (Scientist, NASA-ARSET and Co-ordinator to the Training from NASA). This training covered the access and use of NASA resources for decision-making activities related to air quality. NASA satellite data can be used for a variety of applications, including air quality forecasting, smoke and fire detection, and PM2.5 monitoring. Resource persons were invited from SAC Ahmedabad, Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) and IMD along with the team from IITM and NASA-ARSET. About 45 participants including Air quality professionals and decision makers from local, state, and federal agencies, NGOs and the private sector, various scholars from research institutes across the country and engineers from Pollution Control board participated in the Training Workshop. Participants were made familiar to use available data portals and visualization tools to identify, track, and measure air quality events of their choosing.

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