## **Microsymposium**

NITUB - a scientific emerging network.

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Like other developing countries of the World, Bangladesh has also been facing problems in getting skilled manpower for maintaining scientific equipment. To address the difficulties of maintaining and repairing of scientific instruments of Bangladesh, a learned society, Network of Instrument Technical personnel and User scientists of Bangladesh (NITUB), has been formed. The main objective of NITUB is to form a nucleus of trained manpower in Bangladesh so that scientific equipment of educational and research organizations are maintained properly. NITUB would like to see all scientific equipment of Bangladesh function properly and researchers do not have to suffer with their non-functioning instruments.

Since its inception NITUB has organized more than 60 training programmes on scientific instrumentations and about 900 young faculties, post-graduate students, scientists and technical personnel have been trained. Instrument Repair Programme is another important and popular programme of NITUB through which more than 1500 non-functioning scientific equipment have been repaired. A large number of scientific equipment bought by public and private educational and research organizations of Bangladesh was installed by NITUB. Detail about NITUB and its role in strengthening scientific education and research in Bangladesh will be presented in this Congress.

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