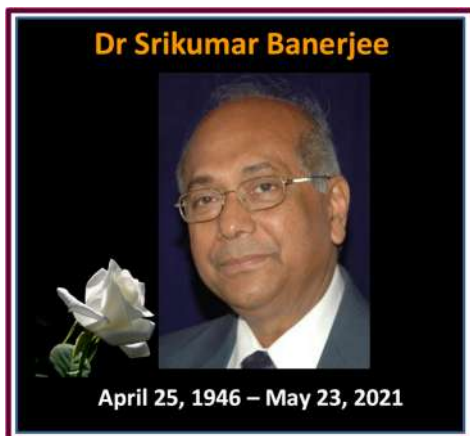




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## OBITUARY



Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences (BRNS) deeply mourns the sudden demise of Dr. Srikumar Banerjee who left for heavenly abode on 23<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at the age of 75 years. Dr. Banerjee was Chairman, BRNS (2018 till date) and Chancellor of Homi Bhabha National Institute (HBNI), Department of Atomic Energy. He served as Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy during 2009-2012. In recognition of his seminal contribution to the field of materials science, Dr. Banerjee was conferred with many prestigious national and international awards. For his excellent scientific contributions to the Indian atomic energy programme, the Government of India conferred Padma Shri in 2005.

As Chairman, BRNS, Dr. Banerjee initiated several new policies for continuing support to the academia primarily focusing on DAE interests and societal benefits. He was a great visionary, brilliant multidisciplinary scientist and a humble personality. He emphasized on translational research towards technology development. He mentored the young researchers with great passion and fervour, encouraging them to satisfactorily achieve their research interests. He was also actively engaged with several academic institutions across the country in various capacities.

Dr. Banerjee's demise is a great loss to the scientific fraternity of the country, and particularly to BRNS. BRNS expresses heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family for their irreparable loss. May his soul find eternal peace in heavenly abode. His humble soul will always be in our hearts.

- Scientific Secretary  
On behalf of all members of the BRNS family