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Should scientists be activists?



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Abstract:

This is a question that many scientists grapple with everyday. On the one hand they wish to preserve their scientific objectivity and neutrality – on the other hand they wish to engage with the issues of the day out of a sense of civic responsibility. This is particularly relevant in India which is perhaps unique in having commitment to scientific temper enshrined in its Constitution as a duty of its citizens. What should the role of a scientist in today's society be?

**Date: 13 September 2019
Friday**

**Time: 4 PM – 5.30 PM
Venue: CSP Seminar Hall
(Next to the Health Centre)**

Refreshments @ 3:30 PM

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