

VISIT OF PROF. MORTEN MELDAL, NOBEL LAUREATE IN CHEMISTRY, UNDER ICCR'S DISTINGUISHED VISITORS PROGRAMME (DVP)

ICCR, under its Distinguished Visitors Programme (DVP), hosted Prof. Morten Meldal, Nobel Laureate of 2022 in Chemistry, from January 31 to February 13, 2024. He was accompanied by his wife, Ms. Phaedria Marie St. Hilaire, who is a life science business leader in Denmark.

Prof. Morten Meldal is a Danish chemist and professor at the Department of Chemistry, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. He was awarded the 2022 Nobel Prize in Chemistry alongside Barry Sharpless and Carolyn Bertozzi for the groundbreaking development of 'Click chemistry and biorthogonal chemistry'. Prof. Meldal is the author of more than 340 publications and 25 patent applications.



During his visit to India, he met several prominent leaders and businesspersons working in the field of science and technology and discussed ways and means of collaboration between his home country, Denmark, and India. He called on Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology, and discussed bilateral cooperation in pharmaceuticals and the promotion of chemistry studies among schoolchildren.

Apart from that, he had also participated in some roundtables and delivered insightful lectures at some prominent Indian institutions which include the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi and the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC), New Delhi.

