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MESSAGE

I extend my gratitude to all those who played a role in electing me as the President of the 68th Congress of the Indian Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics (ISTAM) - 2023. The ISTAM society stands as a premier scientific society established by visionary leaders of the scientific community to foster research in science and engineering, with a particular emphasis on interdisciplinary research in applied mechanics within the country.

My association with this congress dates back to 1981 when I first participated, and since then, I have attended numerous congresses alongside esteemed professors such as N. Rudraiah, A.S. Gupta, S.D. Nigam and D.K. Sinha held at different locations annually. The memories of those experiences are still vivid in my mind.

I am pleased to acknowledge the willingness of the authorities at NIT Warangal to once again host the ISTAM congress this year. My congratulations go to the Director, Organizing Secretary, and other Committee members for undertaking this responsibility.

It is heartening to learn that over two hundred young researchers from various parts of the country have registered to participate and present their findings during the three-day congress. I am confident that this unique gathering will be advantageous, providing participants with a platform to engage and discuss with experts, thereby inspiring them to advance their research interests.

I express my sincere appreciation to the distinguished speakers from India and abroad who have graciously agreed to deliver memorial lectures and invited talks on various current topics in the fields of fluid mechanics, solid mechanics, and related areas.

In conclusion, I extend my best wishes for the grand success of the congress.

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