

## “CHEMERSATZ”

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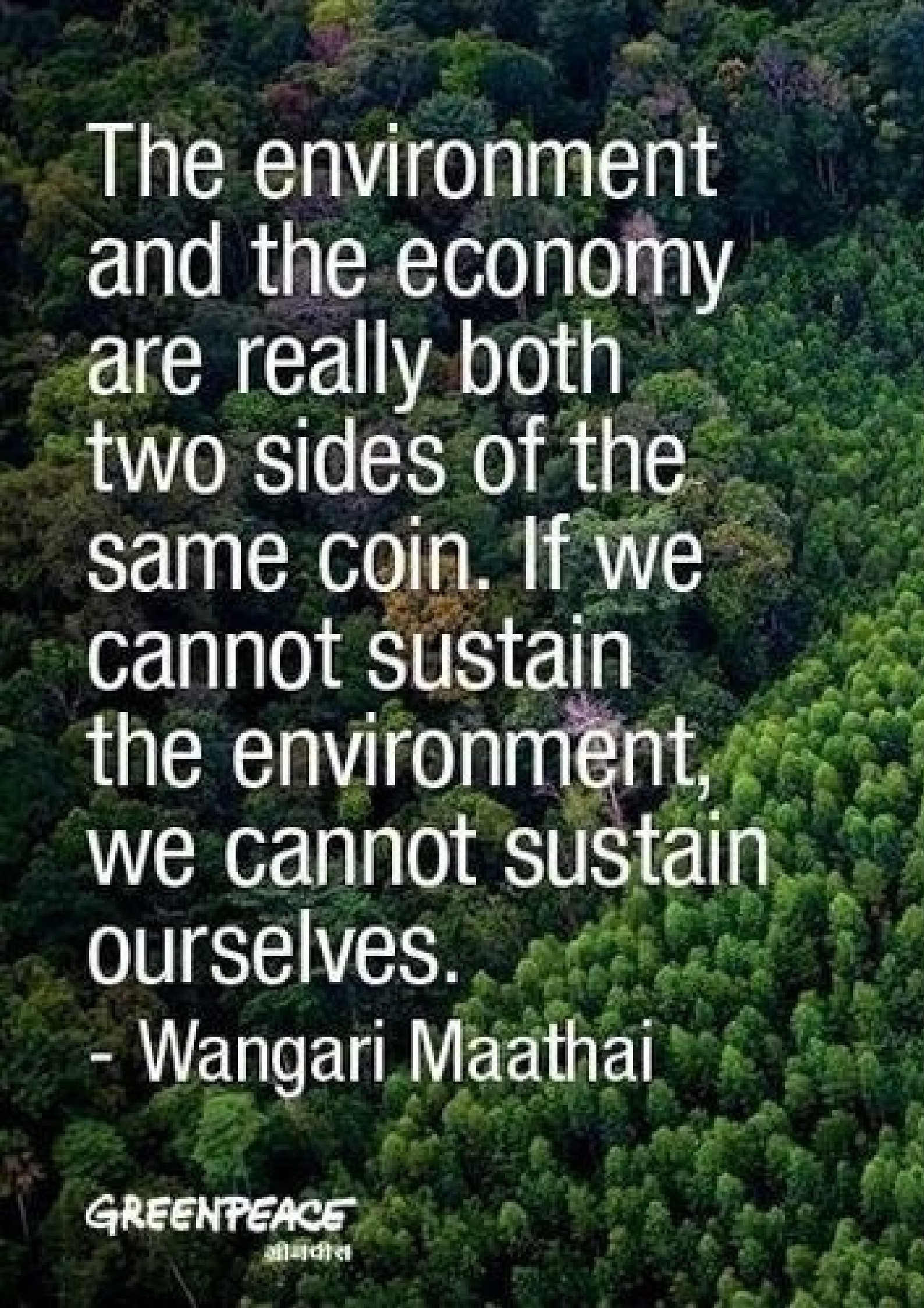
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### ABOUT CHEMICAL ENGINEERING AT HICET

Department of Chemical Engineering was introduced in the academic year 2019-20, with the intake of 60 students which offers a UG programme (B. Tech) in Chemical Engineering. Students in the department are experiencing with the highest quality education via required infrastructure, well qualified & motivating faculty and state-of-art facilities for various laboratories. To empower the students in their domain specific, the department is offering certain value added and industry ready courses like solid material handling, waste water treatment, chemical process simulation and AI for chemical engineers beyond their curriculum. The department is kept in touch with the industries in fields of Petroleum, Petrochemicals, agriculture for Fertilizers and Pesticides, Pharmaceuticals, dyes and pigments, etc for placing and creating job opportunities for the students.

An aerial photograph of a vast, dense forest with a mix of green and brownish-green trees, suggesting a natural, undisturbed environment. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

The environment  
and the economy  
are really both  
two sides of the  
same coin. If we  
cannot sustain  
the environment,  
we cannot sustain  
ourselves.

- Wangari Maathai

# “START A CAREER AND BE PINNACLED AS UNIVERSAL ENGINEERS”

## HoD'S Message

“The main job of chemical engineers to convert chemicals, raw materials and energy to useful product for living. Thus, they require the knowledge on chemistry, physics, mathematics, biology and nanotechnology. As the chemical engineering opens up the wide range of job opportunity, our aim to mould every student to be an expert. By keeping this in mind, we designed the core curriculum by blending chemical fundamentals & its allied branches along with practical skills. Our core curriculum which mainly covers the all the aspects of chemical engineering by converting the feed into products, process control, process design and simulation, safety and hazards, process economics, AI and its applications in chemical engineering and pollution control. We organize the workshops, conferences, seminars, guest lectures and other co-curricular activities to create an opportunity to the students to interact with industry experts and academia”.



**Dr Seenuvasan M, M.E, Ph.D**  
Professor & Head of Chemical  
Engineering

## Vision of the Department

To produce dynamic Engineers with excellence in process operations and problem-solving skills to meet the challenges and drive for the growth of the nation.

## Mission of the Department

- To foster engineers with quality engineering education to meet the challenging and developing technology in the chemical sectors.
- To prepare students for leadership in diverse careers, create knowledge and provide multidisciplinary solutions to broad societal problems.
- To emphasize on the practical aspects of research, innovation and ensuring the realities of sustainable development.



## **PROGRAMME EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES (PEOs)**

Graduates of Chemical Engineering will be able to:

- Participate as leaders in their fields of expertise and in activities that support service and economic development nationally and throughout the world.
- Pursue continued life-long learning through professional practice, research and training programs in the field of chemical engineering and science.
- Solve real-life problems in a broad perspective to fulfill ethical, economic, environmental and social responsibilities.

## **PROGRAMME SPECIFIC OUTCOMES (PSOs)**

Graduates of Chemical Engineering will be able to:

- Apply the knowledge of unit processes and operations for the design of Chemical plant.
- Acquire working knowledge of process safety and environment issues in Chemical Processes.
- Innovate and integrate the new ideas of Chemical Engineering processes as a team for the complex problems and development of chemical industries.

# “CHEMERSATZ”

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# INAUGURATION OF

## “CHEMERSATZ”

### Students Association of Chemical Engineering



**Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology**  
(An Autonomous Institution)  
Valley Campus, Pollachi Highway, Coimbatore

**Department of Chemical Engineering**

We cordially invite you all for  
Webinar on  
“Approach to Process Engineering in Chemical Industry”  
&  
Students Association Inauguration  
(CHEMERSATZ)

**Date : 18.11.2020**  
**Time : 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM**

**Chief Guest**  
**Mr Matheshwaran P**  
AGM & HOD – Process  
Petrofac Engineering Pvt Ltd

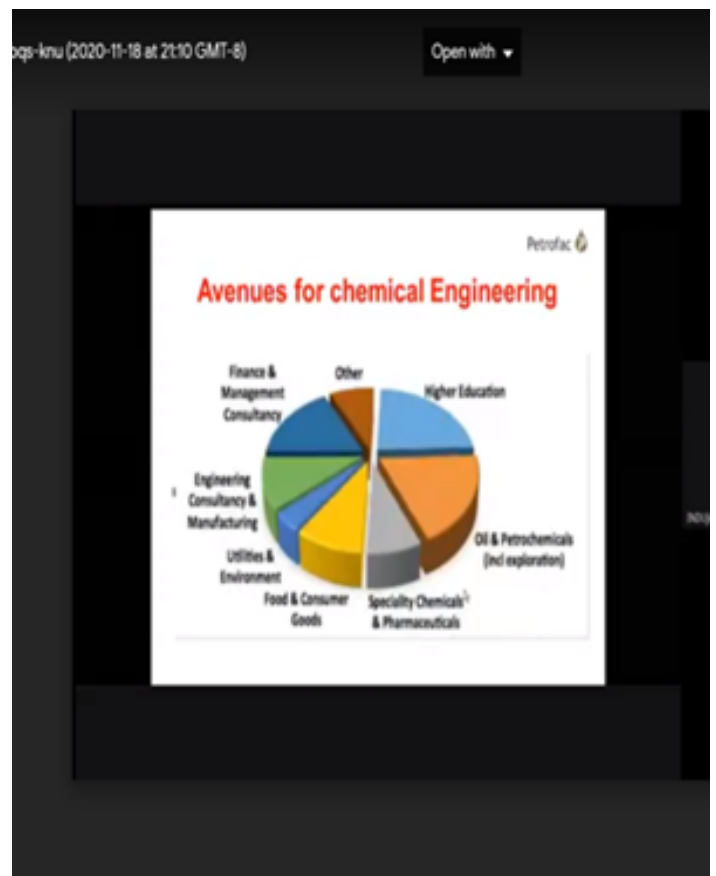
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Prof & HOD of Chemical Engg.

**Co-ordinator**  
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AP/Chemical Engg

Join us live on Google Meet  
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Students Association of Chemical Engineering "**Chemersatz**" was Inaugurated by **Dr Matheshwaran P**, AGM & HOD – Process, Petrofac Engineering Pvt Ltd on 18.11.2020 and he shared his experience and talked about the detailed view of Approach on Process Engineering in Chemical Industry .

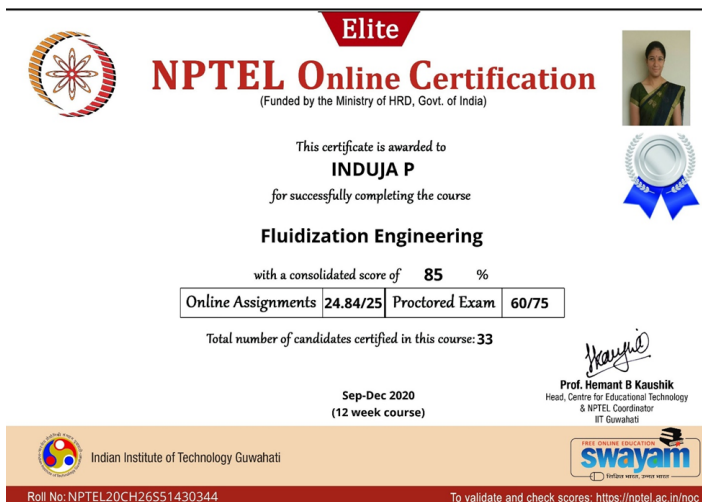
# ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS



**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Recognized for his service as a Session Chair for the technical session in the international Conference (ICRAMM) during 20-21st November 2020.



**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Recognized for his service as a Guest Editor of Special issue entitled “Recent Advances in Environmental Science and Pollution Research” Published in “Journal of Environmental Biology” .



**Ms Induja P**, AP/Chem Engg., has successfully completed the 12-week (Sep-Dec 2020) NPTEL Course (Fluidization Engineering) with Elite Grade.

**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Recognized for his contribution towards a lecture on “Nanotechnology and its applications” in the 10 days “Internship Program on Nanotechnology” during 20-30th July 2020.

# ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

**Dr Seenuvasan M, Prof & Head** Successfully completed the online, non-credit specialization course “English for Research Publication Purposes” in Coursera on 14th July 2020.



07/14/2020

**Dr Seenuvasan M**  
has successfully completed the online, non-credit Specialization

**English for Research Publication Purposes**

Basic elements of academic literacy— critical reading, writing, analytical thinking, and use of technology—foster academic success. Acquisition of such competences enables academic writers to challenge their own beliefs, seek out other points of view, and contribute to scientific discussions. The inseparable skills of critical reading, writing and research depend on learners' ability to use English appropriate for research publications. The specialization develops academic vocabulary and grammar skills necessary to write compelling research articles, persuasive grant proposals and effective technical report. The English for Research Publication Capstone project provides an excellent opportunity to apply the acquired skills.

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**Dr Seenuvasan M, Prof & Head** Appreciated for sharing his knowledge as a Resource Person at the Webinar “Fundamental Concepts and Application of Heat Exchanging Equipment” on 21st June 2020.



**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

This certificate is presented to  
**Dr. M Seenuvasan, Professor**

of Hindustan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore for sharing his valuable knowledge as a Resource Person at the Webinar on “Fundamental Concepts and Application of Heat exchanging equipments”, organized by Department of Chemical Engineering, School of Bio and Chemical Engineering, Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education during 21-06-2020.

**Ms R Kanimozhi** COORDINATOR  
**Dr S Saravanan** HOD/ CHEMICAL  
**Dr K Sundar** DEAN - SBCE

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**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

This certificate is presented to

**Dr. M. Seenuvasan**  
Professor/ Head  
Department of Chemical Engineering  
Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology,  
Coimbatore

In recognition and appreciation of his contribution as the invited speaker and for the overwhelming response of 600+ participants for his webinar “**Magnetic Nanocarriers for Enhanced Enzyme Activity**”, on 30th May 2020 conducted by the Department of Biotechnology.

*Mr. K. Chalapathi* Mr. K. Chalapathian  
Staff Coordinator  
Associate professor  
Dept of Biotechnology.

*Dr. P. Dhasarathan* Dr. P. Dhasarathan  
Head of the Department  
Dept of Biotechnology

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**Dr Seenuvasan M, Prof & Head** Recognized for his contribution as the invited speaker and overwhelming response of 600+ participants for the webinar “Magnetic Nanocarriers for Enhanced Enzyme Activity” on 30th May 2020.



Chemical Engineering Journal

**Certificate of Reviewing**

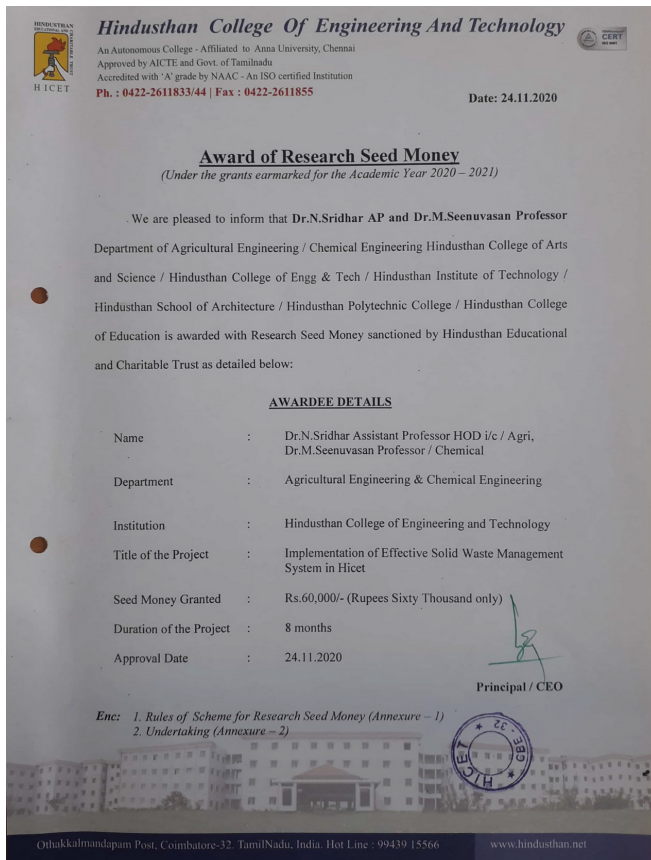
Awarded since March 2020 (1 review)  
presented to  
**SEENUVASAN M**  
in recognition of the review contributed to the journal

The Editors of Chemical Engineering Journal



**Dr Seenuvasan M, Prof & Head** Recognized as an Elsevier Reviewer for Elsevier Journal “Chemical Engineering Journal” since March 2020.

# ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS



**Dr M Seenuvasn**, Prof & Head, awarded with a Research Seed Money of Rs. 60,000/- for the Implementaion of Effective Solid Waste Management System in HiCET, Valley Campus sanctioned by Hindusthan Educational Trust



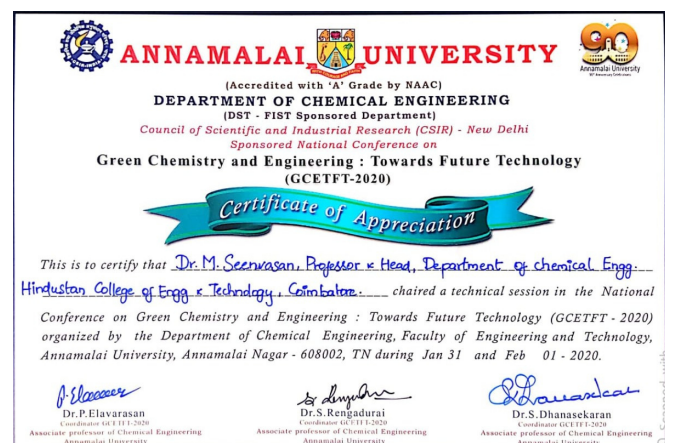
**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Appreciated for sharing his knowledge as a Resource Person in the plenary session and chaired a technical session in the National Conference held on 21-22nd February 2020.



**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Recognized for his service as a Session Chair for the technical session in the DST Sponsored National Conference during 31st January & 1st February 2020.



**Dr Seenuvasan M**, Prof & Head Recognized for sharing his knowledge as a Resource Person in the plenary section of DST Sponsored National Conference during 31st January & 1st February 2020.





# CONTINUOUS LEARNING

- 08.06.2020 to 19.06.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Faculty Development Programme (FDP) through online on “Advances in Biotechnology and Chemical Engineering” organized by Department of Biotechnology and Chemical Engineering, Vel Tech High Tech Dr. Rangarajan Dr.Sakunthala Engineering College, Chennai.
- 21.08.2020 to 30.08.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Faculty Development Programme (FDP) through online on “Green and Sustainable Technology for Next Generation” in webinar organized by Department of Chemical Engineering, SSN College of Engineering, Chennai.
- 25.07.2020 to 26.07.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Webinar on "Publication Process for Novice Researchers" organized by Claspin Tech, Bangalore.
- 05.08.2020 to 06.08.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Webinar on "An art of writing a research article and research proposal" organized by Claspin Tech, Bangalore.
- 27.07.2020 to 01.08.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Faculty Development Programme (FDP) through online on "Integrated Planning for NIRF ranking and Best Practices in Engineering College" organized by HiCET, Coimbatore.
- 26.10.2020 to 31.10.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Webinar on AICTE Sponsored STTP on "An Awareness Programme - Green Engineering Concepts and Treatment Method for Farmers on Department of Chemical Engineering, Paavai Engineering College, Namakkal.
- 21.6.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Webinar on "Advancement in Chemical Engineering, Petroleum, Oil and Gas organized by Department of Chemical Engineering, Kalasalingam Academy of Research & Education, Virudhunagar .
- 21.6.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Webinar on "Innovative approach in Chemical Engineering" organized by Department of Chemical Engineering, Kalasalingam Academy of Research & Education , Virudhunagar .

# CONTINUOUS LEARNING

- 17.08.2020, 18.08.2020 & 20.08.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended workshop on "Aligning yourself to the Publication Process" organized by Elsevier.
- 11.07.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended MHRD's Leadership Talk organized by MHRD'S Innovation Cell.
- 03.08.2020 - **Dr Seenuvasan M** attended Panel Discussion on Autonomy organized by Master Soft ERP Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
- 26.10.2020 to 31.10.2020 - Mr Rajkumar A attended AICTE Sponsored one-week STTP on "Big-data Analytics and Cyber Security in Smart Grid Monitoring and Control" at Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Knowledge Institute of Technology, Salem, Tamilnadu.
- 02.11.2020 to 6.11.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended AICTE Training And Learning (ATAL) Academy Sponsored five day's Online FDP on "Waste Technology" at L.D.College Of Engineering.
- 16.11.2020 to 21.11.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended AICTE sponsored One Week Online Short Term Training Program (STTP) through online, Phase-I on "Repair and Rehabilitation of Structures".
- 16.11.2020 to 21.11.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended AICTE sponsored one week online STTP on "Additive Manufacturing for Medical and Aerospace Applications" organized by Department of Mechanical Engineering, Shri Vishnu Engineering College for Women (Autonomous), Bhimavaram, Andhra Pradesh in online.

# CONTINUOUS LEARNING

- 16.11.2020 to 20.10.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended DST SERB sponsored Five days Online Short Term Training Programme (STTP) on “Electrochemical Technology for Environmental Treatment and Clean Energy Conversion - ECTCEC 2020” Organized by Department of Chemical Engineering, National Institute of Technology Calicut.
- 19.10.2020 to 24.10.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended AICTE sponsored Six Days Online Short Term Training Programme on “Changing Paradigms on Food Security and Food Sufficiency” organized by College of Food and Dairy Technology, Koduveli, Chennai - 600 052.
- 30.11.2020 to 05.12.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended AICTE Sponsored online Short Term Training Programme (Phase II) on “Demystifying Blockchain Technology & Cyber Security Threats: Issues and Challenges” by Department of Computer Science and Engineering, S.A. Engineering College, Thiruverkadu, chennai-600077.
- 15.10.2020 to 23.10.2020 - **Mr Rajkumar A** attended and successfully completed MHRD/AICTE National IP Literacy week organised under Kalam Program for IP Literacy and Awareness and Successfully Passed the Assessments for Sessions.
- 05.10.2020 to 11.10.2020 - **Ms Induja P** attended seven days International FDP on Sustainable Development and Research Opportunities in food and chemical engineering organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.

# CONTINUOUS LEARNING

- 10.10.2020 - **Ms Induja P** attended virtual seminar on Food Additives and its Health Impact organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 23.10.2020 – **Ms Induja P** attended virtual seminar on Process Plant Overview and Control Valve Basics organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 07.11.2020 - **Ms Induja P** attended a webinar on Intellectual Property Rights, Startup & innovations organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 11.11.2020 – **Ms Induja P** attended online seminar on Overview on Gasoline Engine Management System organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 16.11.2020 - **Ms Induja P** attended webinar on CO Attainment Evaluation, IQAC – NBA/Programme Assessment and OBE Implementation organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 16.11.2020 to 21.11.2020 - **Ms Induja P** attended a Six days online AICTE sponsored (AQIS) Short Term Training Program on Outcome Based Education for Technical Education organized by Rajagiri School of Engineering & Technology, Kerala.
- 18.11.2020 – **Ms Induja P** attended a Athmanibhar Bharat – Webinar Series on “Growth Opportunities in Emerging Sectors” organized by Hindusthan College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore.
- 23.11.2020 to 28.11.2020 – **Ms Induja P** attended One week AICTE sponsored (AQIS) Short Term Training Programme on Augmentation of Smart Materials and Technologies for Commercial Energy Harvestations organized by Kongu Engineering College, Erode.

# INTERNATIONAL FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Organized International Virtual online Faculty Development Programme on Sustainable Development and Research Opportunities in Food and Chemical Engineering during 05.10.2020-11.10.2020 (1 Week)

09.10.2020

**Dr Raja T**

Professor in Chemical Engineering,

*Salalah College of Technology, Sultanate of Oman*

**International Invitee**



08.10.2020

**Dr Balasubramaniam V M**

Professor & Editor in Chief (Journal of Food Process Engg)

USA

**International Invitee**

10.10.2020

**Dr Mishra NN**

Adjunct Professor, *Delhousie University, Canada*

**International Invitee**



09.10.2020

**Dr Anjineyulu Kothakota**

Scientist, CSIR (NIIST), *Thiruvananthapuram*

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10.10.2020

**Dr Sivamani Selvaraju**

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**International Invitee**



11.10.2020

**Dr Padmesh TVN**

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*Manipal International University, Malaysia*

**International Invitee**



11.10.2020

**Dr. Anil Kumar Madhava**

Senior Scientist, *CSMCRI, CSIR, Gujrat*

**National Invitee**



05.10.2020

**Dr Balakrishnan M**

Associate Professor, *TNAU, Coimbatore*

**National Invitee**



06.10.2020

**Dr Krishnakumar T**

Scientist, *ICAR (CTCRI), Thiruvananthapuram*  
**National Invitee**



07.10.2020

**Dr Pandiselvam R**

Scientist, *ICAR (CPCRI), Kasaragod*



07.10.2020

**Dr Kaliramesh Siliveru**

Assistant Professor, *Kansas State University, USA*



# EXPERT LECTURE

## VIRTUAL SEMINAR on Process Plant Overview and Control Valve Basics



*Hindusthan College of  
Engineering and Technology*

**Department of Chemical  
Engineering**

**23/10/2020  
9.30AM -10.30AM**

Speaker

**Ram Kumar.S**

Application Engineer , Flow Controls,  
Emerson Automation Solutions

*Registration link : <https://tinyurl.com/y484ge8z>*



Convenor

**Dr. SEENUVASAN M  
HOD/Chemical Engg.**

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Co-ordinator

**Mr. A. Rajkumar  
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**Mr Rajkumar A**, AP/Chem Engg., Organized a Virtual Seminar on  
“Process Plant Overview and Control Valve Basics” on 21st  
October 2020.



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### Improvisation of diffusion coefficient in surface modified magnetite nanoparticles: A novel perspective



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## Biochemical Engineering Journal

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### Review on surface modification of nanocarriers to overcome diffusion limitations: An enzyme immobilization aspect



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## Characterization of squid pens extracted beta-chitosan coated magnetite nanoparticles

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### Abstract

**Aim:** Squid pens, a feather shaped structure in squid species, are waste material which are successfully utilized for the production of industrially important chitosan. The present study deals with characterization of squid pens extracted beta-chitosan coated magnetite nanoparticles

**Methodology:** Beta-chitosan was extracted from squid pens. The extracted beta-chitosan was used as a surface amino coating polymer onto solvothermally prepared magnetite nanoparticles (MNs). Various characterization analysis was performed to understand the properties of MNs, chitosan and beta-chitosan coated MNs ( $\beta_1$ -MNs).

**Results:** Peak at 448 nm in UV-Spectrum corresponded the magnetite and required absorption peaks in IR spectrum showed perfect magnetite and chitosan formation. Also, electron micrographs revealed the flaky structure of chitosan, spherical structure of MNs and less aggregated structures of beta-chitosan coated MNs ( $\beta_1$ -MNs). Diffraction pattern from X-ray diffraction (XRD) suggested the formation of MNs and  $\beta_1$ -MNs and crystallite size (13.9 nm) was determined using Debye-Scherrer equation. Superparamagnetic behaviors of MNs were observed from the magnetization curve of vibrating sample magnetometer (VSM) plot.

**Interpretation:** The characteristic studies revealed the extraction of beta-chitosan from squid pens and formation of MNs and  $\beta_1$ -MNs.

**Key words:** Beta-Chitosan, Magnetite, Nanoparticles, Squid pens



## Adsorption of nickel ions by surface modified magnetite nanoparticles: Kinetics study

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### Abstract

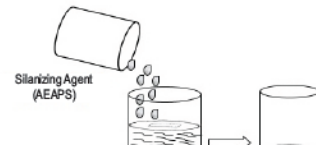
**Aim:** In this study, the adsorption ability of surface modified magnetite nanoparticles was investigated.

**Methodology:** Magnetite nanoparticles (MNs) were prepared by solvothermal method and the surface was modified by 3-(2-Aminoethylamino) propyldimethoxymethylsilane (AEAPS) and utilized as an adsorbent against nickel ions in aqueous solution. Characteristic studies were performed to study the various properties of MNs before and after surface modification. Ni<sup>2+</sup> adsorption was studied as a function of contact time, initial concentration and adsorbent dosage at neutral pH and constant temperature (100 °C).

**Results:** Presence of required characteristic peaks in IR spectrum and X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns revealed formation of magnetite and surface modification. Spherical and defined morphology of surface modified MNs ( $\alpha$ MNs) was studied through electron micrographs. The kinetic data obeyed the first-order equation.

**Interpretation:** Surface modified MNs can be used for the efficient removal of Ni<sup>2+</sup> from aqueous solution. Also, the kinetics study revealed the adsorption capacity of MNs against nickel ions.

**Key words:** Adsorption, Kinetics, Magnetite, Nanoparticles, Nickel ions



## Utilizing *Borassus flabellifer* sprout peel sugars by *Pseudomonas fluorescence* for degradation of textile effluent

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### Abstract

**Aim :** The present investigation deals with the extraction of sugars from tuber peels of *Borassus flabellifer* and their subsequent utilization for the growth of a bacterial isolate. The study also aims to degrade the textile effluent using *B. flabellifer* sprout peel sugars supplemented bacterial isolate.

**Methodology :** The isolate was screened from a textile effluent and was identified as *Pseudomonas fluorescence*. The sugar peels were pretreated by dilute acid hydrolysis and extracted sugars were used as supplement for the growth of *Pseudomonas fluorescence*. The textile effluent was treated with the bacterial isolate for degradation. The decolorization and degradation was monitored using UV-Visible spectrophotometry, Fourier Transform Infrared (FT-IR) Spectroscopy and Gas Chromatography With Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS).

**Results :** *B. flabellifer* sprout peel sugar was supplemented as a macronutrient to support the growth of *Pseudomonas fluorescence* for the degradation of textile effluent. Higher decolorization efficiency (95%) within 7 days under aerobic condition at pH-7.0 and temperature 35 °C was achieved.

**Interpretation :** The present study showed that the growth of *Pseudomonas fluorescence* was possible in tuber peel extracted sugars which was used as a carbon source. The bacteria grown in tuber peel extracted sugars was able to decolorize and degrade the textile effluent.

**Key words :** *Borassus flabellifer*, Degradation, Extracted sugars, *Pseudomonas fluorescence*





## BIOCHEMICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL BIOPROCESSING

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### Recovery of chitosan from natural biotic waste

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#### 1. Introduction

Resource retrieval is a separation process which involves selective removal of materials from waste with the intention of whirling them into a valuable product. Waste is viewed as a potential source, and recovery from waste involves the initiation of the new product by reducing the environmental disposal. To develop an eco-friendly green environment, it is significant to convert the way of usage of resources. A modern food industry produces a huge amount of inedible waste during the treatment of seafood. Generation of wastes is

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# Carbon Capture: What It Is, Why It's Important for the Environment?

Although we've been aware of the environmental impact of factories and manufacturing plants for decades now, little has been done about it over the years. It wasn't until recently that the government has looked to enforce stricter rules surrounding factories and air pollution. States such as California are looking to implement carbon capture systems — though the need for it has become somewhat of a debate.

## **What is carbon capture?**

If you aren't familiar with technology that enables "carbon capture," an article from Common Dreams it effectively extracts carbon dioxide directly from smoke stacks, which heavily contribute to the ongoing climate crisis.

There are a few different types of carbon capture technology — Direct Air Capture (DAC) has been financially backed by both Bill Gates and Elon Musk. Using massive fans, it sucks the CO<sub>2</sub> from the air into a filter, adds heat, turns it into gas, and buries it underground.

Bioenergy with Carbon Capture Storage (BECCS) is another method of carbon capture. According to Princeton Student Climate Initiative (PSCI), it extracts carbon from the air at pollutive sites and creates a cleaner alternative to fossil fuel energy, basically closing the loop.

BECCS involves relying on biomass (or burning organic matter) as an energy resource that is considered carbon neutral, according to PSCI. Then, the CO<sub>2</sub> that comes from that would be stored and eventually used later on.



Cheaper forms of carbon capture revolve around reforestation, or planting more trees. By planting upwards of half a million trees, according to NASA, we could capture 205 gigatons of carbon, reducing the amount of carbon in the atmosphere by about 25 percent. The trees, however, should be native and oftentimes, they have to be "mature" to sequester said carbon — so it's a lengthy endeavor with many rules to abide by.

### **Why is carbon capture controversial?**

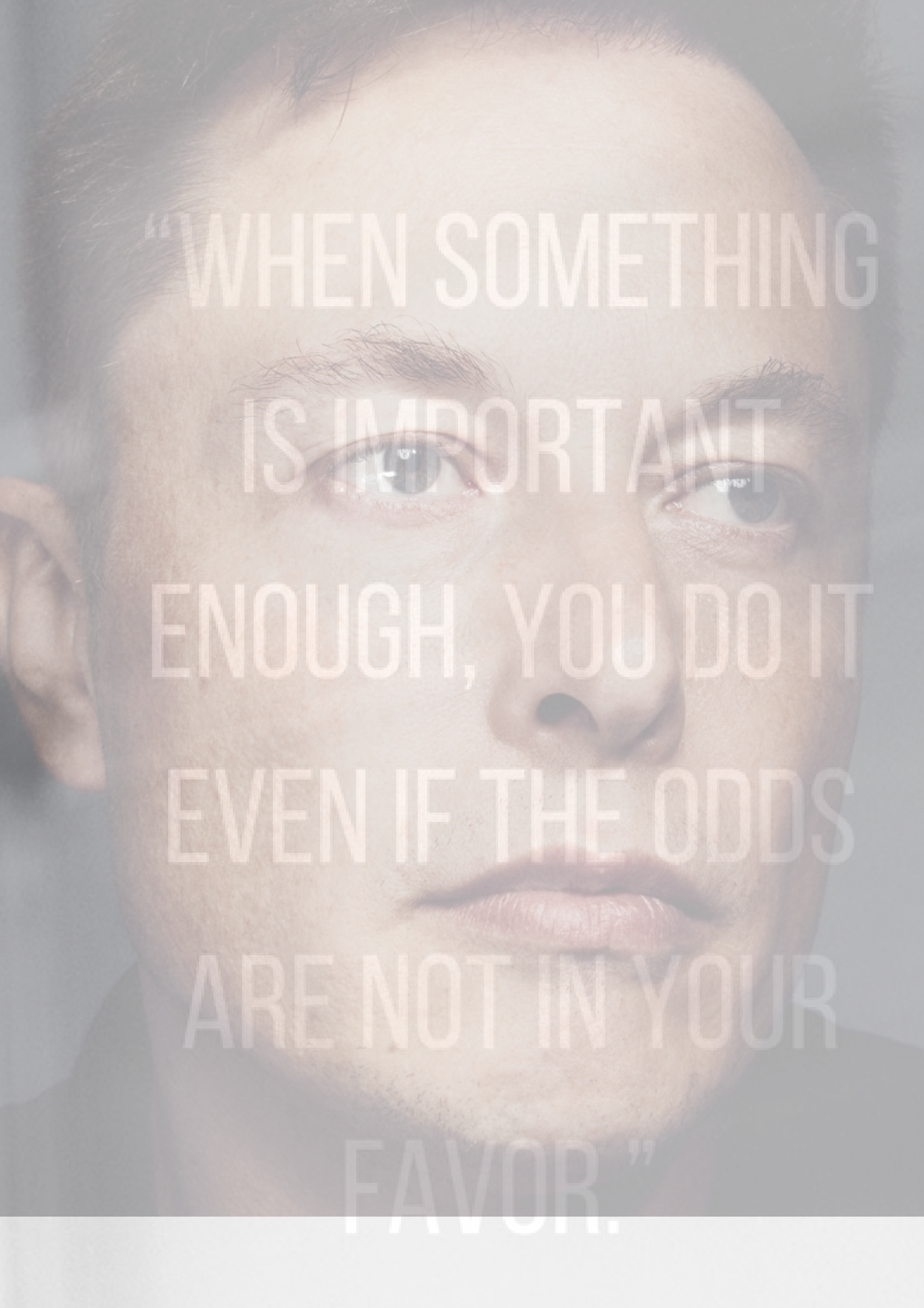
Although carbon capture sounds like the ideal sustainable method, it's controversial for a few reasons. According to Grist, California State Assembly Member, Al Muratsuchi, created A.B. 1395 to increase the Sunshine State's sustainability efforts and to achieve net-zero emissions by 2045, but one of the most contentious aspects is carbon capture.

Many say it encourages the continued use of fossil fuels, still creating pollution and inhibiting the push to go totally electric.

The technology that enables carbon capture is also incredibly expensive. Although it's being financially supported by some of the U.S.'s most famous billionaires, it's a pricey endeavor that may not ultimately pay off in the long run — or help us meet our goals in transitioning to actually clean energy.

It could be worth it in the meantime, while we're still relying on fossil fuels. Though electric, solar, and wind are clearly cleaner means of energy.



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IS IMPORTANT  
ENOUGH, YOU DO IT  
EVEN IF THE ODDS  
ARE NOT IN YOUR  
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# A LITTLE HISTORY



## ***Sir Issac Newton***

He was allegedly stuck on the head by an apple falling from a tree which eventually lead to his developing three laws of motion know as:

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