Heads of States who promised their support. His strong conviction that the current poor status of Science and Technology in the Third World can only be improved substantially by the countries themselves, prompted him to establish the Third World Network of Scientific Organizations (TWNSO) in October, 1983. Salam was elected president and a joint declaration known as 'The Trieste Declaration on Science and Technology as an Instrument of Development in the South' was issued

on this occasion. It was Salam's hope that the Network will eventually be an effective force in convincing the governments of the South to at least double their expenditure on Science and Technology and increase the number of scientists and technologists to the level of at least 1000 per million in each country before the end of this century. It is in this connection that he undertook his journey to Bangladesh, India and Pakistan despite his failing health.

If Trieste has become a Mecca for Third

World Scientists over the years since its creation in 1964, Abdus Salam, Nobel Laureate and a genius from Punjab, was destined to play the role of a prophet of Third World scientists. May the mercy of Allah be on His servant!

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## INTERACTION MEETING IN THE AREA OF CHROMSOMES AND EVOLUTION

The Department of Science and Technology proposes to hold an interaction meeting to generate good, state-of-the-art research proposals for possible funding, in the area of CHROMOSOMES AND EVOLUTION.

Project proposals related to the theme, CHROMOSOMES AND EVOLUTION are invited for consideration. It may include different dimensions such as karyotypic phylogeny, heterochromatin, polymorphism, meiotic mechanisms, non-disjunction, chromosomal rearrangements, supernumerary chromosomes, sex determination, chromosome imprinting, theoretical models, etc.

Those interested in attending this meeting and submitting grant proposals in this area are requested to send a preliminary proposal of their proposed work (5 pages) and a copy of their biodata to:

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Applicants should have a permanent position in an academic Institution in India.