

## **J. N. GOSWAMI**

Prof. J. N. Goswami was born in 1950 in Assam, and obtained his B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees in Physics from the Gauhati University. He pursued his PhD studies at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, moved to the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), Ahmedabad, in 1973 and is currently the Director of PRL. He did his post-doctoral work at UC, Berkeley, and UC, San Diego. He has visited Washington University, St. Louis, the Lunar and Planetary Institute, Houston, and the Max-Planck Institute, Mainz, for extended periods to conduct collaborative and independent research.

Prof. Goswami's research interests include the origin and early evolution of the solar system, solar stellar relationship, energetic particles in space, and planetary sciences. He has more than a hundred and seventy publications and a dozen invited reviews. He has edited two monographs published by the Indian Academy of Sciences.

He served as the Principal Scientist of the India's Chandrayaan-1 mission to the Moon and is currently the Chairman of the Science Advisory Board for the Chandrayaan-2 mission. He received the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award for his work on planetary sciences and the NASA Group Achievement Award for the successful Indian cosmic ray experiment conducted on board the Space Shuttle's Spacelab-3.

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