High civilian award of India to YITP alumna, Prof. Rohini Godbole

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Rohini Godbole of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, graduated from the ITP in 1979, having studied with our late colleague, Jack Smith. Forty years later, Dr. Godbole is a 2019 recipient of the Padma Shri Award, joining Ashoke Sen (awarded 2001) as YITP alumni winners of Padma awards. The Padma awards are presented by the government of India to civilians for distinguished achievements and service in all fields. Her important work in particle theory is internationally known, and she is a member of the most prestigious scientific academies in India. She is also celebrated as an advocate of women in science, and her book Lilivati’s Daughters features essays by Indian women of science, several of which recount formative professional experiences at Stony Brook.