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The Army and DRDO are supposed to carry out more tests of the missiles on Monday also to further validate the missile's capabilities.

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Scientists discuss avalanche mitigation

Chandigarh: A three-day international symposium on snow avalanches and mitigation strategies, organised by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), began at the Snow and Avalanche Study Establishment (SASE) here today.

Delegates from India, Canada, Norway and Austria are presenting their research work on avalanche forecasting, mountain weather, avalanche control structures, avalanche dynamics, avalanche safety and rescue, snow cover monitoring using remote sensing, sensors and instrumentations and integrated mountain development in the changing climate of the Himalayas, Alps and other snow-bound regions of the globe.

As many as 35 papers, authored singularly or jointly by scientists from research and development institutions and academia, along with 60 scientific posters, will be discussed during seven technical sessions.

At the end of the symposium, a report will be prepared on the strategies to be adopted by policy makers and local administrations of hill states for mitigation of snow avalanche hazards in mountainous regions.

Avinash Chander, former Secretary, Defence Research and Development and Chairman, DRDO, called for harnessing technology available with different establishments on to a common platform for greater optimisation.

Pointing out that avalanches cause loss worth millions of rupees every year and hamper socioeconomic development, Naresh Kumar, Director, SASE, said new strategies with renewed action were the need of the hour.

In his keynote address, Prof David McClung, Professor Emeritus at the University of British Columbia, Canada, discussed various models for avalanche forecast. PK Mehta, Director General, DRDO, stressed upon the need for developing technology for enhancing the safety of soldiers in avalanche-prone areas.

https://www.tribuneindia.com/news/chandigarh/scientists-discuss-avalanche-mitigation/798719.html