

IISc prof in Royal Society

BENGALURU, DHNS: Prof Ajay Sood, a professor at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), has joined the ranks of Isaac Newton, James Maxwell, Albert Einstein, Srinivasa Ramanujan, Niels Bohr and Max Planck to name a few, by becoming a member of the prestigious Royal Society.

Prof Sood is India's leading experimental physicist working in the field of condensed matter in a career spanning over 35 years. He is presently a faculty at the Department of Physics, IISc.

"I feel happy to be recognised for our work, honoured to be elected and humbled when I realise that I have been placed in the company of so many geniuses," he said, on being elected as a fellow of the Royal Society. He was awarded the Padmashri by the Government of India in 2013 and was formerly the president of the Indian Academy of Sciences, the vice-president of the Indian National Science Academy. He is now the secretary general of the World Academy of Sciences.