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  - Thermal spraying through Solution Precursor Plasma spray, Suspension Plasma Spray, High Velocity Air-Fuel Spray, Detonation spray (D-gun), Atmospheric Plasma Spray, Cold spray
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  - Materials characterization and performance studies
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36 peer-reviewed journals  
6 book chapters  
20 reviewed proceedings
8. **Awards**  
Best Ph.D. Thesis under “Innovative Student Projects”, awarded by Indian National Academy of Engineering (INAE)
9. **Sponsored Projects handled (worth more than Rs. 2300 lakhs as PI and Co-PI)**

Sponsoring Organization	Title of Project
NMITLI (CSIR)	Nano Material Coatings and Advanced Composites for Tribological Applications in Automotive Industry
ARDB	Development of Ultrafine WC-Co powders for Detonation Spraying
Ion America	Development of cathode coatings for SOFCs
Thermax Ltd., Pune	Development of erosion-corrosion resistant coatings for boiler tubes
Tata Steel Ltd., Jhamshepur	Development of high temperature coatings for copper tuyeres
VSSC, Trivandrum	Assessment of thermal cyclic life for alumina bricks
DST-EPSRC	Improvements in gas turbine performance via novel plasma spray coatings offering protection against ingested species
DAE-IPR	Development of Tungsten Coating Technology for First Wall Application in

	ITER like tokamak
BRNS	Simulation studies on solution plasma spraying of ceramic materials
ARDB	Performance of coatings under fretting wear conditions
DST	Development of Surface Engineered Solutions for diverse components used in high performance power generation systems and other high temperature applications under “National Centre for Development of Advanced Materials and Manufacturing Processes for Clean Coal Technologies for Power Applications”
HAL	Development of TBC coating using EBPVD technique and air plasma processes on high pressure turbine rotor blades
ARDB	Residual stress and structural characterisation of thermal barrier coating systems using spectroscopic techniques
Applied Materials, Mumbai/USA	Corrosion resistant coatings for semiconductor applications
DST	National Centre for Development of Advanced Materials and Manufacturing Processes for Clean Coal Technologies for Power Applications
DRDL	Low Thermal Conductivity Coatings development

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