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### **A Green and Sustainable Approach to Waste Conversion**

Dr. Remya explains the technology's working principles: "This emerging technology utilizes microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Furthermore, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing any additional energy demands." This is a novel, mobile technology requiring minimal footprint area, capable of converting waste at a rate of 10 kg/h into high-value end-products. The ease of mobility promotes decentralized waste management. Moreover, the technology is carbon-neutral, offering investors a direct opportunity to generate carbon credits.

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A research team from the School of Infrastructure at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has made a groundbreaking advancement in sustainable waste management with the development of a solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor. This cutting-edge technology is designed to recover valuable resources from various waste materials, including biomass and plastics, through an efficient and eco-friendly process. The reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to swiftly convert waste into valuable end products like biochar and bio-oil.

Current solid waste management practices predominantly rely on incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, all of which pose significant environmental challenges. Incineration, for instance, often results in the release of toxic gases and ashes, contributing to pollution. In contrast, the microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed by IIT Bhubaneswar presents a carbon-neutral waste conversion method that not only minimizes pollution but also offers the potential to generate carbon credits.



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Dr. Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher of the project, emphasized the importance of this innovation, stating, “Microwave-assisted pyrolysis is a technology that produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil, and syngas in a very short amount of time, meeting the urgent need for sustainable waste management.”

### How the Technology Works

The reactor operates entirely on solar power, making it a self-reliant and environmentally friendly technology. It utilizes microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, allowing for the precise control of reactions and the efficient conversion of waste into valuable products. With a conversion capacity of 10 kg/h, this mobile technology requires minimal footprint area, promoting decentralized waste management across various locations.

### Valuable End Products: Biochar and Bio-Oil

The biochar produced through this process is a highly porous carbonaceous material with numerous applications in agriculture, carbon capture, and wastewater treatment. It also holds promise as a replacement for coal, contributing to the global push towards net-zero emissions. Meanwhile, bio-oil serves as an alternative to petroleum products, providing a renewable energy source that can support efforts to meet the IPCC’s (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) 2°C global warming challenge.

### Wide Applications and Market Potential

This innovative waste-to-energy technology offers a range of applications across sectors such as healthcare, transportation, and industrial processes. Its decentralized nature makes it ideal for implementation by municipalities and industries, potentially generating significant revenue with minimal pollution compared to traditional waste management methods.

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feasibility and applicability of these end products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation, and energy production. Indian patent is granted on the mentioned technology,” he added.

Explaining the technology's working principles, Dr Remya said, “This emerging technology utilizes microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Furthermore, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing any additional energy demands.”

“This is a novel, mobile technology requiring minimal footprint area, capable of converting waste at a rate of 10 kg/h into high-value end-products. The ease of mobility promotes decentralized waste management. Moreover, the technology is carbon-neutral, offering investors a direct opportunity to generate carbon credits,” he observed. The end products of this process, biochar and bio-oil, have a wide range of applications, from healthcare to agriculture and industrial applications. Studies suggest that biochar could be a promising replacement for coal, while bio-oil can serve as an alternative to petroleum products. The conversion of high-heating-value refuse into these energy products can support efforts to achieve net-zero emissions and meet the IPCC's (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) 2°C global warming challenge. Other significant applications of biochar include soil improvement, slow-release fertilizers, carbon capture, and wastewater treatment. This environment-friendly technology can be implemented by municipalities and industries across various locations within cities, offering the potential to generate significant revenue with minimal pollution compared to incineration and other conventional waste management techniques. "Depending on the waste management needs, this technology can be implemented in two forms: with a fixed bed reactor or a fluidized bed reactor. Research indicates promising potential for this technology to impact the alternative energy market positively. We welcome investors to explore this technology, ensuring environmental protection while fostering market growth," Dr Remya said.



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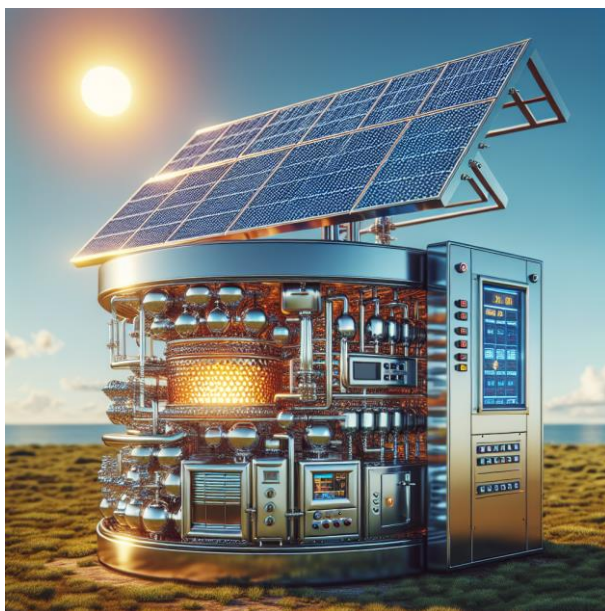




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भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान (IIT) भुवनेश्वर की शोध टीम ने सौर ऊर्जा से चलने वाला माइक्रोवेव पायरोलिसिस रिएक्टर विकसित किया है, जिसे बायोमास और प्लास्टिक सहित अलग-अलग और मिश्रित अपशिष्ट पदार्थों से मूल्यवान संसाधनों को पुनर्प्राप्त करने के लिए डिज़ाइन किया गया है।

संस्थान ने बुधवार को बताया कि रिएक्टर माइक्रोवेव-सहायता प्राप्त पायरोलिसिस का उपयोग करके अपशिष्ट को अत्यधिक छिद्रपूर्ण कार्बनयुक्त पदार्थ (बायोचार) और बायो-ऑयल जैसे मूल्यवान उत्पादों में तेजी से परिवर्तित करता है, जो फीडस्टॉक और संचालन स्थितियों पर निर्भर करता है।

पायरोलिसिस ऑक्सीजन की अनुपस्थिति में बायोमास जैसे कार्बनिक पदार्थ को गर्म करना है। वर्तमान ठोस अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन प्रथाओं में मुख्य रूप से भस्मीकरण, बायोगैस संयंत्र या लैंडफिल निपटान शामिल हैं, जो सीमित रीसाइक्लिंग अवसर प्रदान करते हैं। जबकि भस्मीकरण लैंडफिलिंग के विकल्प के रूप में कार्य करता है, यह अक्सर जहरीली गैसों और राख के निकलने के माध्यम से महत्वपूर्ण पर्यावरण प्रदूषण की ओर जाता है। बयान में यह भी कहा गया है कि आईआईटी भुवनेश्वर के स्कूल ऑफ इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर द्वारा विकसित माइक्रोवेव-सहायता प्राप्त पायरोलिसिस तकनीक इन चुनौतियों का एक आशाजनक समाधान प्रदान करती है।

प्रमुख शोधकर्ता रेम्या नीलांचेरी ने कहा कि माइक्रोवेव-सहायता प्राप्त पायरोलिसिस बहुत कम समय में बायोचार, बायो-ऑयल और सिनगैस जैसे मूल्यवान अंतिम उत्पाद बनाता है, जो टिकाऊ अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन की तत्काल आवश्यकता को पूरा करता है।

नीलांचेरी ने कहा कि आईआईटी भुवनेश्वर में हमारा शोध कृषि, परिवहन और ऊर्जा उत्पादन सहित विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में इन उत्पादों की व्यवहार्यता और प्रयोज्यता पर केंद्रित है। उन्होंने कहा कि यह पर्यावरण के अनुकूल तकनीक शहरों के भीतर विभिन्न स्थानों पर नगर पालिकाओं और उद्योगों द्वारा लागू की जा सकती है, जो भस्मीकरण और अन्य पारंपरिक अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन तकनीकों की तुलना में न्यूनतम प्रदूषण के साथ महत्वपूर्ण राजस्व सृजन की क्षमता प्रदान करती है। नीलांचेरी ने यह भी कहा कि शोध से पता चलता है कि इस तकनीक के वैकल्पिक ऊर्जा बाजार पर सकारात्मक प्रभाव डालने की संभावना है। हम निवेशकों को इस तकनीक का पता लगाने के लिए प्रोत्साहित करते हैं, जिससे बाजार की वृद्धि को बढ़ावा देते हुए पर्यावरण संरक्षण सुनिश्चित हो सके।



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Headline	IIT Bhubaneswar Develop Solar-Powered Microwave Pyrolysis Reactor		
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Current solid waste management practices primarily involve incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, offering limited opportunities for recycling. Incineration, while an alternative to landfilling, often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ashes. The microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed by IIT Bhubaneswar represents a promising solution to these challenges.

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said Dr Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher of the project. "Our research at IIT Bhubaneswar is focused on the feasibility and applicability of these end products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation, and energy production. Indian patent is granted on the mentioned technology," he added.

Explaining the technology's working principles, Dr Remya said, "This emerging technology utilizes microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Furthermore, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing any additional energy demands."

"This is a novel, mobile technology requiring minimal footprint area, capable of converting waste at a rate of 10 kg/h into high-value end-products. The ease of mobility promotes decentralized waste management. Moreover, the technology is carbon-neutral, offering investors a direct opportunity to generate carbon credits," he observed. The end products of this process, biochar and bio-oil, have a wide range of applications, from healthcare to agriculture and industrial applications. Studies suggest that biochar could be a promising replacement for coal, while bio-oil can serve as an alternative to petroleum products. The conversion of high-heating-value refuse into these energy products can support efforts to achieve net-zero emissions and meet the IPCC's (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) 2°C global warming challenge. Other significant applications of biochar include soil improvement, slow-release fertilizers, carbon capture, and wastewater treatment. This environment-friendly technology can be implemented by municipalities and industries across various locations within cities, offering the potential to generate significant revenue with minimal pollution compared to incineration and other conventional waste management techniques. "Depending on the waste management needs, this technology can be implemented in two forms: with a fixed bed reactor or a fluidized bed reactor. Research indicates promising potential for this technology to impact the alternative energy market positively. We welcome investors to explore this technology, ensuring environmental protection while fostering market growth," Dr Remya said.



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Media/Publication	The New Indian Express		
Date	22 <sup>nd</sup> August, 2024	Language	English
Headline	IIT Bhubaneswar researchers develop reactor to turn waste into wealth		
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**BHUBANESWAR:** In a major boost to sustainable waste management, a group of researchers from IIT Bhubaneswar has developed an innovative solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor capable of extracting valuable resources from both segregated and mixed waste materials, including biomass and plastics.

The novel reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis technique to rapidly convert waste into valuable products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil from the waste. The researchers' team from the School of Infrastructure at IIT Bhubaneswar has even secured an Indian patent for the technology.

The researchers said the current solid waste management practices primarily involve incineration, biogas plants or landfill disposal offering limited opportunities for recycling. Incineration, an alternative to land-filling, often leads to significant environmental pollution through release of toxic gases and ashes. However, the microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology represents a promising solution to these challenges, they said.



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“Microwave-assisted pyrolysis is a technology that produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil, and syngas in a very short amount of time, meeting the urgent need for sustainable waste management,” said Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher of the project.

Neelancherry explained the new and emerging technology utilises microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Besides, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing any additional energy demands.

“This is a novel, mobile technology requiring minimal footprint area, capable of converting waste at a rate of 10 Kg per hour (kg/h) into high-value end-products. The ease of mobility promotes decentralised waste management. Moreover, the technology is carbon-neutral, offering investors a direct opportunity to generate carbon credits,” Neelancherry said.

The end products of this process, biochar and bio-oil, have a wide range of applications, from healthcare to agriculture and industrial applications. Studies also suggest that biochar could be a promising replacement for coal, while bio-oil can serve as an alternative to petroleum products. Other significant applications of biochar include soil improvement, slow-release fertilizers, carbon capture, and waste water treatment.





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Headline	IIT BBS Team develops green reactor for waste management		
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## IIT BBS team develops green reactor for waste mgmt

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Bhubaneswar: A team of researchers from IIT Bhubaneswar has developed a solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor to extract valuable resources from different types of waste, including both segregated and mixed materials such as biomass and plastic. The team has been granted an Indian patent for this technology, which uses microwave radiation to generate uniform heat within the feedstock.

Researchers from IIT Bhubaneswar's School of Infrastructure said the reactor can rapidly convert waste into highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the feedstock characteristics and operating conditions.

Studies suggest that biochar could be a promising replacement for coal, while bio-oil can be an alternative to petroleum products.

Remya Neelancherry, the project's lead researcher, said that current solid waste management methods, like incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, offer limited recycling opportunities. "Incineration, while an alternative to landfilling, often leads to significant environmental pollution due to the release of toxic gases and ashes. Our research offers a promising solution to these challenges," she added.



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Headline	IIT Bhubaneswar develops solar-powered microwave reactor for efficient waste management		
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Bhubaneswar, Aug 21 (PTI) A research team from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has developed a solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor designed to recover valuable resources from both segregated and mixed waste materials, including biomass and plastics.

The reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to rapidly convert waste into valuable products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the feedstock and operating conditions, the institute stated on Wednesday. Pyrolysis is the heating of an organic material, such as biomass, in the absence of oxygen.

Current solid waste management practices mainly involve incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, which offer limited recycling opportunities. While incineration serves as an alternative to landfilling, it often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ash, it said.

The microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed by IIT Bhubaneswar's School of Infrastructure offers a promising solution to these challenges, the statement added.

"Microwave-assisted pyrolysis produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil, and syngas in a very short time, addressing the urgent need for sustainable waste management," said Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher.

"Our research at IIT Bhubaneswar focuses on the feasibility and applicability of these products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation, and energy production," Neelancherry added.

This environmentally friendly technology can be implemented by municipalities and industries in various locations within cities, offering the potential for significant revenue generation with minimal pollution compared to incineration and other conventional waste management techniques, he said.

Depending on waste management needs, the technology can be implemented with either a fixed bed reactor or a fluidized bed reactor, he added.

"Research indicates promising potential for this technology to positively impact the alternative energy market. We encourage investors to explore this technology, ensuring environmental protection while fostering market growth," Neelancherry said.



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### A Green and Sustainable Approach to Waste Conversion

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**ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ପକ୍ଷରୁ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ**

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୨୧।୮ (ନି.ପ୍ର.) : ଭାରତୀୟ ପ୍ରଯୁକ୍ତିବିଦ୍ୟା ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନ (ଆଇଆଇଟି) ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ସ୍ଥଳ ଅବିକଳତା କେନ୍ଦ୍ରର ଏକ ଗବେଷଣାକାରୀ ଦଳ ପ୍ରଥମ ଥରା ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ କରୁଛି ।

ମୁଖ୍ୟବଳ ଉପ ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ପାଇଁ ଚିନ୍ତାକର୍ତ୍ତା ହୋଇଥିବା ଏକ ଅଭିନବ ପୌରପାଳିକ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ଉଦ୍ଭାବନ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ସାମ୍ପ୍ରତିକ କଠିନ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ଅଭ୍ୟାସକୁ ପ୍ରାଣୀତ କରିବା, ବାୟୋଗ୍ୟାସ୍ ପ୍ରାପ୍ତି ଲିମ୍ବ ଲ୍ୟାଣ୍ଡଫିଲ୍ ନିଷ୍କାରଣ ସହିତ ଜଡ଼ିତ, ଯାହାକି ପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣବ୍ୟବହାର ପାଇଁ ସାମିତ ପ୍ରୟୋଗ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରେ । ଯଦିଓ ବହନ ଲ୍ୟାଣ୍ଡଫିଲ୍ ଏକ ବିକଳ, ଅନେକ ସମୟରେ ଏହା ଯୋଗୁଁ ବିଷାକ୍ତ ବ୍ୟାସ୍ ଏବଂ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱ ନିଷ୍କାସିତ ହେବା ଦ୍ୱାରା ପରିବେଶ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣର କାରଣ ହୋଇଥାଏ । ଗବେଷଣା ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଉଦ୍ଦେଶ୍ୟ ନିର୍ଦ୍ଦିଷ୍ଟ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ପଦ୍ଧତି ଉତ୍ତର ଭାରତୀୟ ଏହି ଚେନ୍ନାଇରେ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ପଦ୍ଧତିକୁ

ବ୍ୟାପ୍ୟା କରି କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଗୁରୁତ୍ୱପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ । ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ ବିକିରଣକୁ ଫିଡ୍‌ବ୍ୟାକ୍ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ସମାନ ଭରାପ ସୃଷ୍ଟି କରିବା ପାଇଁ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରାଯାଏ, ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାସୂଚକ ସଠିକ୍ ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରଣ ସହିତ ନୂତନରେ ମୁଖ୍ୟବଳ ଶେଷ ମୁଖ୍ୟରେ ବକ୍ସ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରିବାରେ ସକ୍ଷମ କରିଥାଏ । ଆହୁରି ମଧ୍ୟ, ଏହା ସୌର ଶକ୍ତି ଦ୍ୱାରା ପରିଚାଳିତ ହେଉଥିବା ନୂତନ ଲେଖାଏ ଅତିରିକ୍ତ ଶକ୍ତିର ଆବଶ୍ୟକତା ନକରି ସ୍ଥିରତା ଏବଂ ଆତ୍ମନିର୍ଭରଶୀଳତା ନିଶ୍ଚିତ କରିଥାଏ । ଏହି ପରିବେଶ ଅନୁକୂଳ ବୈଷୟିକ ଜ୍ଞାନକୌଶଳ ବହନ ଏବଂ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ପାରମ୍ପାରିକ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପଦ୍ଧତି ମୁଖ୍ୟରେ ସଫଳ ପ୍ରଦର୍ଶନ ସହିତ ମହତ୍ତ୍ୱପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ ଭାବେ ଉପାଦାନ କରିବାର କ୍ଷମତା ପ୍ରଦାନ କରି ସହର ମଧ୍ୟରେ ଥିବା ବିଭିନ୍ନ ସ୍ଥାନରେ ପୌରସଂସ୍ଥା ଏବଂ ଶିଳ୍ପସଂସ୍ଥା ଦ୍ୱାରା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକାରୀ କରାଯାଇପାରିବ ।



# भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भुवनेश्वर Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar

Media/Publication	Saur Energy.com		
Date	22 <sup>nd</sup> August, 2024	Language	English
Headline	IIT Bhubaneswar Develops Solar-Powered Reactor For Waste Management		
Link	<a href="https://www.saurenergy.com/solar-energy-news/iit-bhubaneswar-develops-solar-powered-reactor-for-waste-management">https://www.saurenergy.com/solar-energy-news/iit-bhubaneswar-develops-solar-powered-reactor-for-waste-management</a>		

## Highlights :

- *The reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to rapidly convert waste into products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the characteristics of the feedstock and operating conditions.*



A research team from the School of Infrastructure at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has developed a solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor. This reactor is designed to recover valuable resources from both segregated and mixed waste materials, including biomass and plastics.

The reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to rapidly convert waste into products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the characteristics of the feedstock and operating conditions. Current solid waste management practices primarily involve incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, offering limited opportunities for recycling. Incineration, while an alternative to landfilling, often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ashes. The microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed by [IIT Bhubaneswar](#) represents a promising solution to these challenges.





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“Microwave-assisted pyrolysis is a technology that produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil, and syngas in a very short amount of time, meeting the urgent need for sustainable waste management,” said Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher of the project.

“Our research at IIT Bhubaneswar is focused on the feasibility and applicability of these end products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation, and energy production.” An Indian patent has been granted for this technology.

Remya explains the technology's working principles, “This emerging technology utilizes microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Furthermore, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing any additional energy demands.”



# भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भुवनेश्वर Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar

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Headline	IIT Bhubaneswar Researchers Develop Solar-Powered Microwave Pyrolysis Reactor for Sustainable Waste Management		

## IIT BHUBANESWAR RESEARCHERS DEVELOP SOLAR-POWERED MICROWAVE PYROLYSIS REACTOR FOR SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT

A research team from the School of Infrastructure at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has developed an innovative solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor designed to recover valuable resources from both segregated and mixed waste materials, including biomass and plastics. The novel reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to rapidly convert waste into valuable products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the characteristics of the feedstock and operating conditions. Current solid waste management practices primarily involve incineration, biogas plants, or landfill disposal, offering limited opportunities for recycling. Incineration, while an alternative to landfilling, often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ashes.





# भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भुवनेश्वर Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar

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## For sustainable waste management

# Solar-powered microwave reactor developed at IIT BBS

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Current solid waste management practices primarily involve incineration, biogas plants or landfill disposal, offering limited opportunities for recycling. Incineration, while an alternative to landfilling, often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ashes.

The microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed

by IIT Bhubaneswar represents a promising solution to these challenges.

"Microwave-assisted pyrolysis is a technology that produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil and syngas in a very short amount of time, meeting the urgent need for sustainable waste management," said Dr Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher of the project. "Our research is focused on the feasibility and applicability of these end products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation, and energy production. Indian patent is granted on the mentioned technology," said he.

Dr Neelancherry explains the technology's working principles: "This emerging technology utilises microwave radiation to generate homogeneous heat within the feedstock, enabling efficient conversion into valuable end products at a faster rate with precise control over reactions. Furthermore, the reactor operates entirely on solar power, ensuring sustainability and self-reliance without imposing



any additional energy demands."

This is a novel, mobile technology requiring minimal footprint area, capable of converting waste at a rate of 10 kg/h into high-value end-products. The ease of mobility pro-

motes decentralised waste management. Moreover, the technology is carbon-neutral, offering investors a direct opportunity to generate carbon credits.

The end products of this process, biochar and bio-oil,

have a wide range of applications, from healthcare to agriculture and industrial applications. Studies suggest that biochar could be a promising replacement for coal while bio-oil can serve as an alternative to petroleum products.

The conversion of high-heating-value refuse into these energy products can support efforts to achieve net-zero emissions and meet the IPCC's (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) 2°C global warming challenge.

This environment-friendly technology can be implemented by municipalities and industries across various locations within cities, offering the potential to generate significant revenue with minimal pollution compared to incineration and other conventional waste management techniques.

"Depending on the waste management needs, this technology can be implemented in two forms: with a fixed bed reactor or a fluidised bed reactor. Research indicates promising potential for this technology to impact the alternative energy market positively. We welcome investors to explore this technology, ensuring environmental protection while fostering market growth," Dr Neelancherry concluded.



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### ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ନୂତନ ଉଦ୍ଭାବନ

## ସ୍ଥାୟୀ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର



ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୨୨।୮  
(ଅନୁରାଧା ମହାଲକ୍ଷ୍ମୀ)

ଭାରତୀୟ ପ୍ରଯୁଗ୍ଧବିଦ୍ୟା ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନ (ଆଇଆଇଟି) ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ଉଦ୍ଭାବନାକାରୀଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ସ୍ଥାୟୀ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ କରାଯାଇଛି । ଶିକ୍ଷାନୁଷ୍ଠାନର ସ୍ୱଳ୍ପ ଅର୍ଥ ଉନ୍ନୟାତ୍ମକରଣ ଏବଂ ଉଦ୍ଭାବନାକାରୀଙ୍କ ଦଳ ଦ୍ୱାରା ତିଆରି କରାଯାଇଛି ।

ମିଶ୍ରିତ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁରୁ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଉଷ୍ଣ ପ୍ରତିରକ୍ଷକ ପାଇଁ ଏହି ଉଦ୍ଭାବନା କରାଯାଇଛି । ଏହି ନୂତନ ରିଆକ୍ଟରଟି ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ସହଯୋଗ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରି ପିପ୍ ଷ୍ଟର୍କ୍ ଡିଫିକ୍ସିଟ୍ ଅନୁସାରେ କାର୍ବୋନେସିୟସ୍ ଉପାଦାନ (କାର୍ବୋନ) ଓ କାର୍ବୋକ୍ସିକ୍ ଇଡି ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁରୁ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ଦ୍ରବ୍ୟରେ ପରିଣତ କରିଥାଏ । ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ପ୍ରକ୍ଷୟଣ

ଦହନ, କାର୍ବୋକ୍ସିକ୍ସିଡ୍ ପ୍ରାୟ ଇଥାନ୍ ଇତ୍ୟାଦି ନିଷ୍କାସନ ଦ୍ୱାରା କଠିନ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନା କରାଯାଏ । ଇଥାନ୍ ବା ବେକେ ପ୍ରକ୍ଷୟଣବ୍ୟବହାର ପାଇଁ ସାମାନ୍ୟ ସୁଯୋଗ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରେ । ଦହନ ଇଥାନ୍ ଇତ୍ୟାଦି ଏବଂ ବିକଳ ହୋଇଥିଲେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଅନେକ ସମୟରେ ଏଥିରୁ ବିଷାକ୍ତ ଗ୍ୟାସ୍ ଓ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱାନ୍ତ ନିଷ୍କାସିତ ହେବା ଦ୍ୱାରା ଏହା ପରିବେଶ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣ କରିଥାଏ ।

ତେବେ ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ଦ୍ୱାରା ବିକଶିତ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ଏହି ସମସ୍ୟାର ସମାଧାନ କରିବା ସହ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଶେଷ ଉତ୍ପାଦ ଉତ୍ପାଦନ କରିଥାଏ ବୋଲି ଉଦ୍ଭାବନା ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଡ. ରେମ୍ୟା ନୀଳାନ୍ତରେଇ କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଏହି ପ୍ରଯୁଗ୍ଧ ବିଦ୍ୟା ଉପରେ ଭାରତୀୟ ପେଟେଣ୍ଟ ମଞ୍ଜୁର ହୋଇଛି । କୃଷି, ପରିବହନ ଏବଂ ଉତ୍ପାଦନ ସମେତ ବିଭିନ୍ନ କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ଏହି ଶେଷ ଉତ୍ପାଦରୁ ନିର୍ମିତ ସମାବେଶ ଏବଂ ପ୍ରୟୋଗିକତା ଉପରେ ଧ୍ୟାନ ଦିଆଯାଇଥିବା ସେ କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଏହି ପରିବେଶ ଅନୁକୂଳ ବିଶେଷଣ ଶ୍ଚାନ୍ତକୃଷକ ଦହନ ଓ ଅନ୍ୟ ପାରମ୍ପରିକ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପଦ୍ଧତି ତୁଳନାରେ ସର୍ବନିମ୍ନ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣ ସହିତ ଗାଈନ୍ଦ୍ରୀ କୃଷି କରୁଥିବା ସହର ମଧ୍ୟରେ ବିଭିନ୍ନ ସ୍ଥାନରେ ପୌରସଂସ୍ଥା ଓ ଶିଳ୍ପସଂସ୍ଥା ଦ୍ୱାରା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକାରୀ କରାଯାଇପାରିବ ।





# भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भुवनेश्वर

## Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar

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## ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ



କଟକ, ୨୨।୮ (ଆପ୍ର): ଭାରତୀୟ ପ୍ରଯୁକ୍ତିବିଦ୍ୟା ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନ (ଆଇଆଇଟି)ର ଗବେଷକଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ କରାଯାଇଛି । ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନର ଷ୍ଟିଲ୍ ଅଫ୍ ଇନ୍‌ଫ୍ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରକ୍ଚର ଗବେଷଣାକାରୀ ଦଳ ପୃଥକ୍ ତଥା ମିଶ୍ରିତ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁରୁ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ପୁନରୁଦ୍ଧାର ପାଇଁ ଡିଜାଇନ୍ ହୋଇଥିବା ଅଭିନବ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ଏହି ରିଆକ୍ଟର ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ସହାୟକ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରି ପିତ୍ତଳ, କପାସ, କଞ୍ଚା ଲୁଗା, ଉପରେ ନିର୍ଭର କରି ଦୁର୍ଗନ୍ଧା କାର୍ବୋନେସିୟମ୍ ଉତ୍ପାଦନ ଓ ବାୟୁ ଅବଳ ଭଳି ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁକୁ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ଦ୍ରବ୍ୟରେ ରୂପାନ୍ତରଣ କରିଥାଏ । କଠିନ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପ୍ରଥା ମୁଖ୍ୟତଃ

ଦହନ, ବାୟୁଗ୍ୟାସ ପ୍ଲାଷ୍ଟିକ୍ ବା ଲ୍ୟାଣ୍ଡଫିଲ୍ ନିଷ୍କାସନ ସହିତ ଜଡ଼ିତ । ଯାହାକି ପୁନଃ ବ୍ୟବହାର ପାଇଁ ସାମିତ ସୁଯୋଗ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରିଥାଏ । ଅନେକ ସମୟରେ ଏହା ଯୋଗୁଁ ବିଷାକ୍ତ ଗ୍ୟାସ୍ ଓ ପାର୍ଶ୍ୱ ନିଷ୍କାସିତ ହେବା ଦ୍ୱାରା ପରିବେଶ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣର କାରଣ ହୋଇଥାଏ । ଆଇଆଇଟି ଗବେଷକଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ବିକଶିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ସହାୟକ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ଆହୁାନଗୁଡ଼ିକର ଏକ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ସମାଧାନ କରିଥାଏ । ଗବେଷଣା ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଡ. ରେମିୟା ନାଲାନ୍‌ଡେରା କହନ୍ତି ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ସହାୟକ ହୋଇଥିବା ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ହେଉଛି ଏକ ପ୍ରଯୁକ୍ତିବିଦ୍ୟା । ଯାହା ବାୟୁଦୂଷଣ, ବାୟୁଅବଳ ଓ ସିଙ୍ଗ୍ୟା ଭଳି ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଅଧିମ ଉତ୍ପାଦର ଉତ୍ପାଦନ କରିଥାଏ । ଯାହାକି ନିରନ୍ତର ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ଆବଶ୍ୟକତାକୁ ପୂରଣ କରିଥାଏ ବୋଲି ସେ କହିଛନ୍ତି ।



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ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରରେ ନୂଆ ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ବିକଶିତ

ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ସ୍କୁଲ ଅଫ୍ ଜନପ୍ରାସ୍ତକଚରର ଗବେଷଣାକାରୀ ଦଳ ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ପରିଚାଳନା କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ଏକ ନୂଆ ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ଉଦ୍ଭାବନ କରିଛନ୍ତି। ଏଠାରେ ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଉତ୍ସ ପୁନରୁଦ୍ଧାର ପାଇଁ ଏକ ଅତ୍ୟାଧୁନିକ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟରର ବିକାଶ ହୋଇଛି। ଏହି ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜିକୁ ପେଟେଣ୍ଟ ମଧ୍ୟ ମିଳିଛି।

ଏହି ନୂଆ ରିଆକ୍ଟରଟି ମାଇକ୍ରୋୱେଭ୍-ସହାୟକ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରି ଦ୍ରୁତ ଗତିରେ କାର୍ବୋନେସିୟସ୍ ଉପାଦାନ (ବାୟୋଚାର) ଓ ବାୟୋ-ଅଏଲ ଭଳି ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ଦ୍ରବ୍ୟରେ ପରିଣତ କରିଥାଏ। ଏଥିରୁ ବାହାରିଥିବା ଉତ୍ପାଦ କୃଷି, ପରିବହନ ଏବଂ ଶକ୍ତି ଉତ୍ପାଦନ ସମେତ ବିଭିନ୍ନ କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ପୁଣି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟରେ ଲାଗି ପାରିବ।

“ସାମ୍ପ୍ରତିକ ପରିସ୍ଥିତିରେ କଠିନ ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ପରିଚାଳନା ମୁଖ୍ୟତଃ ଦହନ, ବାୟୋଗ୍ୟାସ୍ ପ୍ଲାଣ୍ଟ କିମ୍ବା ଲ୍ୟାଣ୍ଡଫିଲ୍ ନିଷ୍କାସନ ସହିତ ଜଡ଼ିତ। ଏଥିରୁ ବାହାରୁ ଥିବା ଉତ୍ପାଦ ସୀମିତ ମାତ୍ରାରେ ପୁନଃବ୍ୟବହାର ଯୋଗ୍ୟ ହୋଇଥାଏ। ସେହିପରି ଦହନ ପ୍ରକ୍ରିୟାରେ ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ଉତ୍ପାଦିତ ବାୟୁ ଅନେକ ସମୟରେ ବିଷାକ୍ତ ଗ୍ୟାସ୍ ଏବଂ ପାଇଁ ବାହାରି ପରିବେଶ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣର କାରଣ ହୋଇଥାଏ। ଏହି ସବୁ ସମସ୍ୟାଗୁଡ଼ିକୁ ଆଇଆଇଟି ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ନୂଆ ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ସମାଧାନ କରିପାରିବ”, କହିଛନ୍ତି ଗବେଷଣା ଟିମର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଡକ୍ଟର ରେମ୍ୟା ନୀଲାଞ୍ଜେରୀ।







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ବର୍ତ୍ତ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ଏକ ପରିବେଶ ଅନୁକୂଳ ଏବଂ ସ୍ଥାୟୀ ଉପାୟ

ଏହି ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜିରେ ମାଇକ୍ରୋଫ୍ରେଜ୍ ବିକିରଣକୁ ଫିଡ୍‌ବ୍ୟାକ୍ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ସମାନ ଉତ୍ତାପ ସୃଷ୍ଟି କରିବା ପାଇଁ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରିଥାଏ। ପ୍ରତିକ୍ରିୟାଗୁଡ଼ିକୁ ସଠିକ୍ ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରଣ କରାଯିବା ସହିତ ବର୍ତ୍ତ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ଦ୍ରୁତ ଗତିରେ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଶେଷ ଦ୍ରବ୍ୟରେ ରୂପାନ୍ତରିତ ହୋଇଥାଏ। ଏହା ସୌର ଶକ୍ତି ସ୍ୱାରା ପରିଚାଳିତ ହେଉଥିବାରୁ କୌଣସି ଅତିରିକ୍ତ ଶକ୍ତିର ଆବଶ୍ୟକତା ପଡ଼େ ନାହିଁ।

ଏହି ମେସିନ ଅଳ୍ପ ସ୍ଥାନରେ ଅଧିକ ମାତ୍ରାରେ ବର୍ତ୍ତ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା କରିବାରେ ସକ୍ଷମ। ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜିଟି କାର୍ବନ ନିରପେକ୍ଷ ବା କାର୍ବନ ନିଉଟ୍ରାଲ୍, ଯାହାକି ନିବେଶକମାନଙ୍କୁ କାର୍ବନ କ୍ରେଡିଟ୍ ସୃଷ୍ଟି କରିବାର ସୁଯୋଗ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରିବ।

ଏହି ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ଦହନ ଏବଂ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ପାରମ୍ପାରିକ ବର୍ତ୍ତ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପଦ୍ଧତି ତୁଳନାରେ ସର୍ବନିମ୍ନ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣ କରିଥାଏ। ଏଥିରେ କମ୍ ଟଙ୍କା ଖର୍ଚ୍ଚ ହେଉଥିବାରୁ ବିଭିନ୍ନ ପୌରସଂସ୍ଥା ଏବଂ ଶିଳ୍ପସଂସ୍ଥା ଏହାର ଫାଇଦା ଉଠାଇ ପାରିବେ।



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## ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ରିଆକ୍ଟର ବିକଶିତ

॥ ପ୍ରଭାନ୍ତ୍ୟକ୍ ॥ ଜଟଣୀ, ୨୫।୮ : ଭାରତୀୟ ପ୍ରଯୁକ୍ତିବିଦ୍ୟା ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନ (ଆଇଆଇଟି) ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରର ଷ୍ଟୁଲ ଅଫ୍ ଇନଫ୍ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରକ୍ଚରର ଏକ ଗବେଷଣାକାରୀ ଦଳ ଏକ ପୃଥକ ତଥା ମିଶ୍ରିତ ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁରୁ ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଉତ୍ପାଦ ପ୍ରଦରୁଦ୍ଧାର ପାଇଁ ଡିଜାଇନ୍ ହୋଇଥିବା ଏକ ଅଭିନବ ସୌରଚାଳିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋଫ୍ରେଡ୍ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ରିଆକ୍ଟରର ଉଦ୍ଭାବନ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ଏହି ନୂତନ ରିଆକ୍ଟରଟି ମାଇକ୍ରୋଫ୍ରେଡ୍-ସହାୟକ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ବ୍ୟବହାର କରି ଫିଡ୍ ଷ୍ଟକର ବୈଶିଷ୍ଟ୍ୟ ତଥା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଅବସ୍ଥା ଉପରେ ନିର୍ଭର କରି ଦ୍ରୁତ ଗତିରେ କାର୍ବୋନେସିୟସ ଉପାଦାନ (ବାୟୋଚାର) ଓ ବାୟୋ-ଅଏଲ ଭଳି ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁକୁ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ଦ୍ରବ୍ୟରେ ପରିଣତ କରିଥାଏ । ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ଦ୍ୱାରା ବିକଶିତ ମାଇକ୍ରୋଫ୍ରେଡ୍-ସହାୟକ ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ଟେକ୍ନୋଲୋଜି ଏହି ଆହ୍ୱାନଗୁଡ଼ିକର ଏକ ଉପଯୋଗୀ ସମାଧାନର ପ୍ରତିନିଧିତ୍ୱ କରେ । ମାଇକ୍ରୋଫ୍ରେଡ୍ ସହାୟକ ହୋଇଥିବା ପାଇରୋଲିସିସ୍ ହେଉଛି ଏକ ପ୍ରଯୁକ୍ତିବିଦ୍ୟା ଯାହା ବାୟୋଚାର, ବାୟୋ-ଅଏଲ ଏବଂ ସିଙ୍ଗର୍ ଭଳି ମୂଲ୍ୟବାନ ଶେଷ ଉତ୍ପାଦ ଉତ୍ପାଦନ କରିଥାଏ, ଯାହାକି ନିରନ୍ତର ବର୍ଜ୍ୟବସ୍ତୁ ପରିଚାଳନା ପାଇଁ ଜରୁରୀ ଆବଶ୍ୟକତାକୁ ପୂରଣ କରିଥାଏ ବୋଲି ଗବେଷଣା ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଡକ୍ଟର ରେମ୍ୟା ନୀଳାନତେରି କହିଛନ୍ତି ।



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### HIGHLIGHTS

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**Bhubaneswar:** Are search team from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)- Bhubaneswar has developed a solar-powered microwave pyrolysis reactor designed to recover valuable resources from both segregated and mixed waste materials, including biomass and plastics. The reactor uses microwave-assisted pyrolysis to rapidly convert waste into valuable products such as highly porous carbonaceous material (biochar) and bio-oil, depending on the feedstock and operating conditions, the institute stated on Wednesday. Pyrolysis is the heating of an organic material, such as biomass, in the absence of oxygen.

Current solid waste management practices mainly involve incineration, biogas plants or landfill disposal, which offer limited recycling opportunities. While incineration serves as an alternative to landfilling, it often leads to significant environmental pollution through the release of toxic gases and ash, it said.

The microwave-assisted pyrolysis technology developed by IIT Bhubaneswar's School of Infrastructure offers a promising solution to these challenges, the statement added. "Microwave-assisted pyrolysis produces valuable end products like biochar, bio-oil and syngas in a very short time, addressing the urgent need for sustainable waste management," said Remya Neelancherry, the lead researcher.

"Our research at IIT Bhubaneswar focuses on the feasibility and applicability of these products across various sectors, including agriculture, transportation and energy production," Neelancherry added. This environment-friendly technology can be implemented by municipalities and industries in various locations within cities, offering the potential for significant revenue generation with minimal pollution compared to incineration and other conventional waste management techniques, he said. Depending on waste management needs, the technology can be implemented with either a fixed bed reactor or a fluidised bed reactor, he added.