

CSIR-NEIST CELEBRATED NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DAY

CSIR-North East Institute of Science & Technology celebrated National Technology Day 2014 with day-long programme on 12 May, 2014 instead of the actual day i.e 11 May which fell on a closed holiday. Befitting the occasion, a special function was held at Dr J N Baruah auditorium in which Prof T K Chandrashekhar, Secretary, Science & Engineering Research Board, DST, Govt. of India graced the occasion as Chief Guest and delivered the Technology Day lecture. “The increase in number of Scientists and investment per scientist is essential for Global positioning of Indian Science, Technology and Innovation system at least to upgrade the present position of India to the present level of China” opined Prof TK Chandrashekhar, in his lecture as Chief Guest. Prof Chandrashekhar also mentioned that the increase in the number of Indian Scientists who publish at least 1 paper in SCI journal per year is the need of the hour from the base line number of 1,70,000 Scientists of India to 7,50,000, which itself is a challenging task in India to increase its R & D investments at 2% of GDP. This is an attempt to position India as number one in Global Economy by 2020 from its present 9th position, he mentioned in his lecture on “Science, Technology and Innovation Landscape”. On the occasion, Dr D Ramaiah, Director, CSIR-NEIST also mentioned the need of S & T intervention to uplift the GDP and per capita income and he greatly acknowledged the contribution of funding agencies for their contributions made so far for the externally funded research projects of CSIR-NEIST and he hoped for a more liberal and generous funding in research projects in future to develop the NE region of the country. The activities of CSIR-NEIST in terms of commercialization of technologies, patents, published research papers, Ph.D students, completed projects in brief since inception was mentioned by Dr R C Boruah, Outstanding Scientist, CSIR-NEIST in his welcome address. The programme was attended by invited guests, distinguished scientists, students and CSIR-NEIST fraternity both retired and existing. The function was concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Mr Dipankar Neog, Scientist, CSIR-NEIST. After the programme Prof Chandrasekhar visited different divisions of the laboratory and had an interactive meeting with the scientists. It is also worthwhile to mention here that earlier on the same day, Prof T K Chandrshekhar inaugurated the new Girls’ Hostel at CSIR-NEIST campus. The day was declared as ‘Open Day’ during 2.00 to 4.30 pm for the visit of students and general public.

Prof T K Chandrashekhar, Secretary, Science and Engineering Research Board, DST, Govt. of India delivering the Technology Day lecture.



Prof T K Chandrshekhar inaugurating the new Girls' Hostel at CSIR-NEIST campus



Welcome address by Dr D Ramaiah, Director, during National Technology Day Celebration



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