Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum

Biomedical Technology Wing

National Science Day Celebrations

28th February 2024

National Science Day 2024 was celebrated by Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology Trivandrum on 28th February 2024. The theme for the year 2024 was 'Indigenous Technologies for Viksit Bharat'. The program was attended by about 65 students from Mahatma Gandhi College, Thiruvananthapuram, University College, Thiruvananthapuram, teachers from the above colleges, and faculty and students of SCTIMST. The program was held at the Combinational Devices (CD) block at BMT Wing, SCTIMST Trivandrum.

The event was commenced by the Welcome speech by Dr. P.R. Harikrishna Varma, Head BMT Wing, SCTIMST. Prof. Sanjay Behari, Director of SCTIMST, addressed the gathering and talked about happiness, music, and their connections with different halves of the brain. This was followed by the address by the chief guest, Prof. Achuthsankar S. Nair, Professor and former Head of the Department of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics, University of Kerala. He talked on the topic 'Scientific Temper and Aesthetic Splendor'. He stressed the importance of rhythm in music as well as in scientific temperament both ultimately culminating in the happy state of mind. He appreciated the eco-friendly efforts by our Institution in the organization of the National Science Day celebrations. This was followed by a talk by Dr. Narayanan Namboodiri K. K., Professor at the Department of Cardiology, SCTIMST on 'Building blocks for a healthy future'. Group Discussion on the topic 'Becoming Better Learners' was conducted with the participation of students and faculty members, which was moderated by Dr. Manju S. and Dr. Dinoop K.P. Dr. Umashankar P.R., Associate Dean (PhD affairs), gave felicitation and declared winners of various competitions organized as part of the National Science Day celebrations in the Institute. Dr. Gijo Raj won a Certificate of Merit in the category 'Ideas Pertaining to Technologies', Mr. Manoj M., Technical Assistant, Computer Division won a Certificate of Merit in the category 'Short Essay', and Dr. Remya N.S. won a Certificate of Merit in the category 'Photography'. Dr. Jayasree R.S. declared the winners of the 'Best Idea Contest' held during SCTIMST Open Day on 23rd February 2024. Among 333 participants, a certificate of achievement was given to Ms. Rehana Raveendran from the Department of Zoology, University of Kerala, Ms. Shreya Rajeesh from National College Trivandrum, and Mr. Shanoj P. from College of Engineering Trivandrum.

Dr. Roy Joseph, Dean SCTIMST proposed the vote of Thanks, and the ceremony was concluded with the National Anthem sung by Dr. Shiny Velayudhan, Dr. Remya N. S., and Mr. Joseph Sebastian.

After lunch, students of Mahatma Gandhi College and University College were organized into different groups and taken for visits to different divisions and laboratory facilities at the BMT Wing campus.