

## **CSIR-NEIST organized Student-Scientist interaction program under JIGYASA**

A 3-day program under CSIR's Student-Scientist connect program, 'JIGYASA' was organized by CSIR-NEIST at its premise during 28-30 August 2017. A total of 70 students of standard IX from Kendriya Vidyalaya-NEIST, Jorhat and Kendriya Vidyalaya-Air force Station, Jorhat attended the program along with 4 teachers. It is to be mentioned that in its Platinum Jubilee celebration year, the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi has launched this special Student-Scientist interactive program in July 2017 in collaboration with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathans (KVS) with the sole objective to motivate students in building scientific temperament by extending classroom learning and focussing on a well planned research laboratory based learning. The Programme is expected to connect 1151 KVs with 38 National Laboratories of CSIR and will target 100,000 students and nearly 1000 teachers annually.

The 3-day program at CSIR-NEIST commenced with a short inaugural function at Dr J N Baruah Auditorium on 28 August 2017. Mr Partha Paul, Scientist & Coordinator of the program spoke about the program & its objective and the various activities to be covered during the period. Dr D Ramaiah, Director, CSIR-NEIST in his address to the students encouraged them to make the most of it by being actively involved in all the sessions. While mentioning about JIGYASA, he further added that this special program is ultimately aimed to nurture the younger generation, the future of our nation by exposing them to the scientific developments taking place in various CSIR Institutes and thus motivating them to be a part of nation's growth.

The 3-day program included notable presentations by various resource persons on topics like Astrophysics, Mathematics, Nano-science, Chemistry, Zoopharmacognosy Biology and alike along with practical experiments. The program received enthusiastic participation of the students in all its sessions. The program concluded with a Valedictory function held on 30 August 2017 wherein certificates were distributed to all the students and the teachers.



Participating students and teachers of JIGYASA program along with the Director, CSIR-NEIST and other organizing members.