



To commemorate the discovery of Raman Effect by Sir CV Raman on 28 February 1928, the day is celebrated as National Science Day (NSD) every year on 28 February. Raman Effect, a phenomenon in spectroscopy, was the discovered by eminent physicist while working at the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science,



Release of DRDO Science Spectrum.

Kolkata The basic objective for the celebration of National Science Day is to spread the message of importance of science and its applications. It is also an opportunity to impress up on the young minds the importance and

occasion by holding National Science Day orations, DRDO level quiz, poster, and competitions, essav and many such events related to science. DRDO labs/estts also organise various programmes at their respective labs/estts. Defence Science

significance of science in the everyday life.

DRDO celebrates the

Forum (DSF), organised National Science Day 2012 at Dr Bhagavantam Auditorium, Metcalfe House, Delhi. The celebrations started with the welcome address by Dr R Muralidharan, OS and Director SSPL. Dr V

Bhujanga Rao, DS and CC R&D (HR), the Chief Guest of the function, while delivering his presidential address lauded the initiatives being taken by DSF for organizing lectures by the eminent professionals from different disciplines. The National Science Day Oration this year was delivered by Dr SK Jain, Chairman and Managing Director, Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited on the topic Nuclear Power: An Inevitable Option. A compilation of lectures delivered at various DRDO labs/estts-DRDO Science Spectrum 2012-edited and published by Defence Scientific Information and Documentation Centre (DESIDOC) was also released

The winners of the various events organised by the DSF were felicitated by the Chief Guest and Dr Jain.

## **Quiz Competition**

The winners were:

Ist: Shri Ram Singh, INMAS, Delhi
IInd: Dr SV Kamat, DMRL, Hyderabad

by Dr Bhujanga Rao during the occasion.

Illrd: Shri Mohit Sharma, DL, Jodhpur

## **Poster Competition**

Ist: Shri Vineeth, NPOL, Kochi

IInd: Shri Ankur Mendiratta, DPI, DRDO HQ

IIIrd: Ms Nidhi, DP&C, DRDO HQ

## **Essay Competition**

Ist: Shri Md Shahid Quamar, ADE, Bangalore

Illnd: Shri Govind Kumar Jha, DFRL, Mysore
Illrd: Shri Vineet Dwivedi, SAG, Delhi

Besides, one scientist from each DRDO lab/estt, who delivered talk on the thrust area of their respective lab/estt was presented a medal and a certificate by the Director of their respective lab/estt on behalf of SA to RM. Twelve scientists from Delhi-based DRDO labs/estts were given medals by Dr Bhujanga Rao during the function.

The function was webcasted through out DRDO. Dr Rajeev Vij, Secretary DSF, proposed the vote of thanks