

## **Empowering Pupil Innovation and Creativity (EPIC)**

Young Scientist Competition and Budding Innovator Camp was kick started at CSIR-IITR on May 29, 2017 for school students under the Empowering Pupil Innovation and Creativity (EPIC). This programme was a part of CSIR "Jigyasa" initiative on science outreach to inspire and motivate the youth to develop innovative scientific thought process. The selected students from various schools in Lucknow and Kanpur presented their innovative proposal to the mentor team chaired by Professor Alok Dhawan, Director, CSIR-IITR, Dr Raj Mehrotra, Director, Regional Science City, Lucknow and members of CSIR-IITR Dr Mukul Das, Dr K.C. Khulbe, Dr R. Parthasarathi, Dr Sandeep Shrama and research scholars. These budding scientists will pursue their innovation under the training and guidance of the CSIR-IITR scientists. This is expected to come out with innovative technological solutions under the national mission programmes such as Swachh Bharat, Swashta Bharat, Startup India and Make in India.



Inaugural session of EPIC: Professor Alok Dhawan, Director, CSIR-IITR, addressing the students.



Professor Alok Dhawan speaking on the occasion.



Students discussing their ideas.



















Students presenting their idea and project proposals.



Professor Alok Dhawan with the students.



Dr R. Parrthasarathi explaining drinking water technologies developed by CSIR-IITR.