

# Bhatnagar award for 11 scientists

New Delhi, Sept 26 : Eleven scientists have been selected for this year's Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar award for their outstanding contribution to various disciplines of science. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Director-General T.Ramasami made the announcement during the CSIR Foundation Day celebration here during which some young scientists were felicitated.

The Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar award, given in seven different disciplines by the Department of Science and Technology, comprises a citation, a plaque and cash prize of Rs two lakh.

For biological sciences, the award will be shared by Dr Upinder Singh Bhalla of National Centre for Biological Sciences, Kanpur and Dr Narayanaswamy Srinivasan of Indian

Institute of Science, Bangalore.

The award for chemical sciences is being given to Dr Amlendu Chandra of Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur and Dr A. Ajayaghosh of National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram.

For earth, atmosphere, ocean and planetary sciences, the award has gone to Dr Anil Bhardwaj of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram.

The award for engineering sciences is being shared by Dr Rama Govindarajan of Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore and Dr Budaraju Srinivasa Murthy of Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai.

For mathematical and medical sciences, the award has gone to Dr

B.V.Rajarama Bhat of Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore and Dr Pundi Narasimhan Rangarajan of Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

The award for physical sciences is being shared by Dr Yashwant Gupta, National Centre for Radio Astrophysics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Pune and Dr Pinaki Majumdar, Harishchandra Research Institute, Allahabad.

Automobile company Mahindra and Mahindra has been selected for the prestigious CSIR Diamond Jubilee Technology Award for development and commercialisation of the SUV 'Scorpio'.

Minister for Science and Technology Kapil Sibal gave away the CSIR Young Scientist award, 2007, to five young scientists. •PTI