

THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF CHEMISTRY CHALLENGE



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SPECIAL EVENT
**SCIENCE FAIR
ON
WATER CHEMISTRY AND MANAGEMENT**

ORGANIZED BY RSC-DS, INDIA
FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN
28th July, 2012



A unique scientific experiment /project initiated to promote chemical sciences and in particular chemistry at the school level by the RSC-DS Member Group, Hyderabad, India, to serve as a fitting legacy to the International year of chemistry.

First time this kind of event conducted by RSC – Deccan Section, India

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Indian Institute of Chemical Technology- Hyderabad, A.P. (INDIA)

The Royal Society of Chemistry-Deccan section in association with B-Toppers (White Board educational) has conducted an exhibition cum workshop - Science Fair on "Water chemistry and Management" for school children in the area of Deccan section, south India on 28th July 2012 at Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT) Auditorium, Hyderabad.

In the present day scenario the role of Chemical Sciences **on the management and quality of water related issues** is significance for the betterment of human society. This kind of Science Fair for school children became a first of its special event in a wider scale covering 30 schools for RSC India.

The scientific fair saw participants from 30 different schools. Each school is represented by **two students led by their respective school teacher**. Around 100 school children are participated in this fair. In this event students have exhibited different working models, power point presentations and pictorial charts, sensitizing the visitors about the need and methods of water recycling, the rain water harvesting, domestic sewerage waste treatment, and sanitation etc.



School Students- Science Fair on "Water Chemistry and Management" Participants with RSC-DS Members.



Prof. V. Peesapati, Hon. Secretary, RSC-DS, Dr. J S Yadav, Director, IICT, Hyderabad, Chief guest Mr. Santosh Varlwar, CEO & MD, V V Med Labs, Prof. K S Sastry, Chairman, RSC-DS and Mrs. Madhavi Varlwar inaugurated the Science fair by lighting the lamp.



Prof. V. Peesapati, Ph.D CChem FRSC, Hon. Secretary of the RSC-Deccan Section welcomed the Guests and audience and briefly explained the RSC (London) and its activities in India and in particular Deccan Section, Hyderabad, South India. He explained the importance of water Chemistry in our day to day life.

Prof. K S Sastry, CChem FRSC, Chairman of the RSC-DS spoke about the objective of this science fair was to expose students to a breadth of importance of chemistry and doing so ignite young minds towards chemistry and urged the students to learn chemistry because of its wider application for their future career.

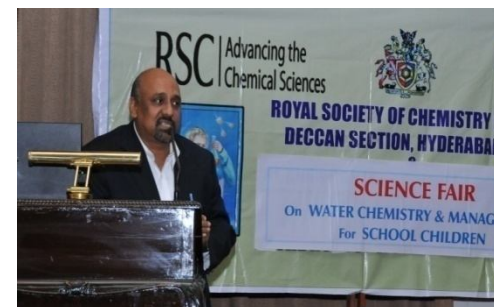


Mr. Ravishankar from BToppers WhiteBoard Training Education Empowering spoke about the importance of science education in schools and they have developed some teaching materials for the science teachers and students in order to help them to understand science subjects both in theory and practical.



Dr. J S Yadav, Director, IICT, Hyderabad, spoke about the importance of water chemistry and Management and he stressed that without water & air no life on earth. He praised RSC (London) by encouraging this kind of work-shops, Quiz and science fairs etc for school children, so that they can bring out their hidden talent in participating this kind of important events in order to get hands on experience.

The chief guest Mr. Santosh Varliwar, CEO & MD, V V Med Labs explain to the students role of chemistry, not only solving water related problems but also give lead to new approaches in drug discovery in industry and in particular for the development of new drugs for the welfare of mankind. Hence children can take up science subjects and contribute for the advancement of chemical sciences by opting chemistry as their career.



In this connection Prof. B. V. Rao, Head, Department of Water resources, JNT University, Hyderabad, has given an invited talk on **"Ground water chemistry and management"** for the benefit of the school children and teachers. He spoke about different kinds of water bodies and their purification and also the methods available for recycling of water.

The participants were happy and excited to display their working models and explained to the visitors and judges through their exhibits, the importance of chemical sciences in the management of the water cycle and impact of these activities on the natural environment. Some of the models prepared by the students are shown here.



Kendriya vidyalaya school, Uppal



Adisankara Group of Schools



C S Krishnaveni Global School



Dilsukhnagar Public School



St. Anthony's Himayatnagar and other schools



Kendriya vidyalaya School, Kanchanbagh



Atomic Energy School, E C I L



Jan Peter Memorial School, Yacharam

The presentation and project models prepared by the school students were judged by the experts and selected the best three schools for prizes, demonstrating their chemistry knowledge and practical skills. Experts also recommended two more schools for consolation prize to encourage them for their creativity and innovation.

The chief guest Mr.Santosh Varlwar, CEO & MD, V V Med Labs and Dr. J S Yadav, Director, IICT, Hyderabad, and other RSC-DS Education Division Committee commented on "the teams" good use of knowledge derived from the Chemical Sciences and logical detection to work out on the innovative projects and bring out talent from the high school students.

Prof. V Peesapati, Secretary, Prof. K.S. Sastry, Chairman, and Dr. V. Jayathirtha Rao, RSC-DS gave away the prizes to the winning teams were from *Sri Chaitanya Techno school* (1st prize) **on rain water harvesting**, *DAV Public school* (2nd prize) **on green bridge filtration system (lake an indispensable source of life)** and *Little Flower High school* (3rd prize) **on rain water harvesting and hydroelectric projects/models**.

A memento with RSC logo has given to the respective top three schools of prize winners. All the participants were given Certificates along with a scientific book. Also, a scientific book was given to all teachers, who have guided the students for their project work for the last two/three months.



First Prize : Project-Rain Water Harvesting K.Kiranmaye and P.Kavyasree
Sree Chaitanya Techno School , with Chief Guest Mr.Santhosh Varlwar, Prof. Peesapati and Madhavi Varalwar



Second prize: Project- Green Bridge Filtration System (lake an indispensable source of life)
Anusha Hedge and Revathi Prasaadh ,DAV Public school, Safilguda, with judges.



Third Prize: Project- **Rain Water Harvesting and Hydroelectric Projects/Models**
Sairithika and Gokul , Little Flower High School, with Dr. V. Jayathirtha Rao (Member of RSC-DS)



Project- Purification of Ground water,
T. Siddharth , P. Sashank
Kendriya vidhyalaya High School

Consolation prizes



Project- Installation of a simple laboratory
reverse osmosis system for purification of water,
St.Paul's High School, with Mrs.Madhavi Varalwar

I would like to thank all the RSC - Deccan Section members & Mrs. V. L. Peesapati for their constant support to make this event successful.

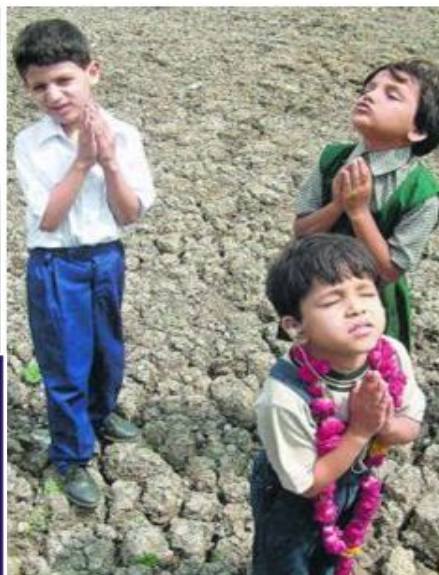


From L to R: Mrs.Madhavi Varalwar,, Prof. K.S. Sastry, Chairman, Prof. V Peesapati, Dr. Y.V.D. Nageswar, Dr. V. Jayathirtha Rao
Mrs. Dr. S.Sreelaxmi, Mrs. Dr. B. Roopavani (RSC-DS Members, Hyderabad)

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Water Science Fair – 2012 for School Children

The vision of this Science Fair is to inculcate scientific enquiry, to promote creativity and inspire students in all aspects of water related chemistry. We focus on the application of chemical sciences in the management of the water cycle and the impact of these activities on the natural environment.

About Royal Society of Chemistry (London):

Since 1841 the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) has been the leading society and professional body for chemical scientists. In the UK the RSC has its offices in London and Cambridge. RSC has offices in China, USA, India and in Japan. "The RSC has a Global Membership of over 48,000 and we are actively involved in the spheres of education, qualification and professional conduct. RSC runs conferences and meetings for college students, chemical scientists, industrialists, and policy makers at both National and International level. RSC also promotes chemistry to the wider public through all media. Our public events at the chemistry center in London are webcast to an International audience.

The RSC is one of the leading scientific publishers, offering an exceptional range of peer-reviewed journals, magazines, books, databases and publishing services to the chemical science community.

About BTOPPERS

BToppers is a dynamic foundation program enabling every aspirant to develop a strong base in fundamental concepts and be a future ready student. BToppers includes many multidimensional features that addresses diverse needs of the students and supports them in their educational growth.

Royal Society of Chemistry (London), Deccan Section, Hyderabad, is organizing a Project Work on 28th July, 2012, for 10th class students.

The topic is on the following lines:

Quality of water: Monitoring environmental Health

How clean is clean – our wells, local rivers, lakes, and municipality water etc.

Water Measurement and Purification

Drinking Water and Sanitation

Waste Water treatment

Sustainable & conservation of water

Any other topic related to water.

The RSC kindles scientific temperament and innovative culture among young students: it helps to give a tangible form to their creative ideas through small projects under the guidance of a faculty member.

The details are mentioned below:

- Each school can be represented by 2 students only along with a teacher in order to guide their project.
- Prizes will be distributed to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd categories of the best projects.
- Participation Certificates will be given to all participants by the RSC-Deccan Section.
- One popular lecture on a scientific topic will be delivered by an Expert.
- Exact time and venue will be announced later.

Evolution procedure:

Initial screening: The students will be submitting an abstract about 1000 words on a chosen topic related to water which will lead to a problem that the students will wish to proceed on the project work. The abstract may be in English or Telugu, duly attested by the head master/principal and submit the same by 28th June 2012.

Final project selection: Projects qualified from the abstracts submitted will be intimated by 30th June 2012. The selected students will have to submit the final project work in a printed form on 28th July, 2012 and also to give presentation on the same day in front of judges.

Final Projects are evaluated through:

- Written reports
- Display board(s)
- Oral presentation..... by students

The written report will include: title, authors name and address, abstract, introduction, material data collection, results discussion, conclusions, acknowledgements and references.

Note: decision by judges will be final.

Submission of abstract : 07th July 2012

Screening results : 09th July 2012

Final project presentation : 28th July 2012

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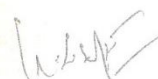
Inter School Science Fair Competition for 10th Class Students

on "WATER CHEMISTRY & MANAGEMENT"

Certificate of Participation

This is to certify that Mr / Ms.

from participated in the **Science Fair**
competition conducted by the Royal Society of Chemistry (London),
Deccan Section at IICT Auditorium, Tarnaka,
Hyderabad, on 28th July, 2012.


Prof. K.S. Sastry, Ph.D, C Chem FRSC
Chairman, RSC(London)-DS
Hyderabad.


Prof. V. Peesapati, Ph.D, C Chem FRSC
Secretary, RSC(London)-DS, Hyderabad.
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All the local and National news papers have covered this Science Fair event.
I am happy to enclose all the news clippings of different daily papers for your information.

**పదో తరగతి విద్యార్థులకు
వాటర్ కెమిస్ట్రీలో
సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్ - 2012**

పదో తరగతి విద్యార్థులకు వాటర్ కెమిస్ట్రీ అండ్ మేనేజ్మెంట్పై రాయల్ సొసైటీ ఆఫ్ కెమిస్ట్రీ (లండన్) దక్కన్ సెక్షన్ ఆధ్వర్యంలో సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్ -2012 నిర్వహిస్తున్నారు. దరఖాస్తులకు చివరితేదీ : జూన్ చివరిలోగా

అంశాలు : పరిశుభ్రమైన నీరు, పర్యావరణ పరిరక్షణ, నీటిని శుభ్రంచేయడం, బావులు, కొలను, సరస్సుల్లో నీటి కొలతలను, నీటి ప్యూరిఫికేషన్, తాగునీటి శుభ్రత, వృధానీరు, పరిశుభ్రత తదితర అంశాలపై ఫెయిర్ నిర్వహిస్తున్నారు.

పూర్తి వివరాలకు 9391014579 లేదా rscdc.vpeesapati@gmail.com నుండి పొందవచ్చు.

Andhra Prabha News Paper on 18th June 2012

**పదో తరగతి విద్యార్థులకు
వాటర్ కెమిస్ట్రీలో సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్-2012**

బాలాసగర్, జూన్ 13 (టీ మీడియా) : పదో తరగతి విద్యార్థులకు వాటర్ కెమిస్ట్రీ అండ్ మేనేజ్మెంట్పై రాయల్ సొసైటీ ఆఫ్ కెమిస్ట్రీ (లండన్) దక్కన్ సెక్షన్ వారి ఆధ్వర్యంలో సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్-2012ను నిర్వహిస్తున్నామని ప్రొ.వి.పీ.సపాటి తెలిపారు. ఈ సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్లో పాల్గొనదలచిన విద్యార్థులు ఈ నెలాఖరులోగా దరఖాస్తు చేసుకోవాలని సూచించారు. పరిశుభ్రమైన నీరు, పర్యావరణ పరిరక్షణ, నీటిని శుభ్రం చేయడం, బావులు, కొలను, సరస్సుల్లో నీటి కొలతలను, నీటి ప్యూరిఫికేషన్, తాగునీటి శుభ్రత, వృధానీరు, పరిశుభ్రత తదితర అంశాలపై సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్లో వివరిస్తామన్నారు. వివరాలకు ఫోన్ : 93910 14579లో గానీ, మెయిల్ rscdc.vpeesapati@gmail.comలో కూడా సంప్రదించవచ్చున్నారు. దరఖాస్తులు చేసుకున్న వారి పేర్లను రాయల్ సొసైటీ వారికి పంపి, కార్యక్రమ షెడ్యూల్ను విడుదలచేస్తామన్నారు. తారాక్షణంలోని ఐవెనీటీలో ఈ సైన్స్ ఫెయిర్ నిర్వహించేందుకు సన్నాహాలు చేస్తున్నట్లు వివరించారు.

Enadu News Paper on 18th June 2012

Paper clipping: THE HINDU NEWS

**Contest for
SSC students**

Special Correspondent

HYDERABAD: The Royal Society of Chemistry (London), Deccan Section is organising project work for 10th class students on July 28 on the topic of water.

Each school can send two representatives along with a teacher in order to guide their project on topics like quality of water; how clean are our wells, rivers, lakes; water measurement and purification; waste water treatment and sustainable & conservation of water. The abstract may be in English or Telugu and must be submitted by June 25. Projects qualified will be intimated by June 30.

Details can be had from V. Peesapati, Secretary, RSC-Deccan Section on 93910-14579 or email 'rscdc.vpeesapati@gmail.com'.

26th June 2012

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ఐవెనీటీలో జల రసాయన శాస్త్రంపై శైజ్ఞానిక ప్రదర్శన

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News Clipping on 29th July, 2012 in 'ANDHRA PRA' - SP-Ed:3.

Enadu News Paper on 29th July 2012

మానవాళి అభివృద్ధిలో రసాయన శాస్త్రం కీలకం

తమ ప్రయోగాన్ని వివరిస్తున్న బాలలు

తొమ్మిదివేల సంవత్సరాల క్రితం మానవాళి అభివృద్ధిలో రసాయన శాస్త్రం కీలకమని పలువురు శాస్త్రవేత్తలు అన్నారు. తారాక్షణంలోని ఐవెనీటీ ఆడిటోరియంలో రాయల్ సొసైటీ ఆఫ్ కెమిస్ట్రీ డక్కన్ సెక్షన్ వారి ఆధ్వర్యంలో జలరసాయన శాస్త్రం నిర్వహణ అనే అంశంపై సదస్సు జరిగింది. శే.ఎన్.టి.యూ. జలవనరుల విభాగాధిపతి ప్రొ. వెంకటేశ్వరరావు, రాయల్ సొసైటీ ఆఫ్ కెమిస్ట్రీ డక్కన్ సెక్షన్ కన్వీనర్ ఆచార్య వి.పీ.సపాటి, వి.వి.మెట్ ల్యూరేటరీ ఆడిటోరియంలో వరదేశ్ వర్కర్ మాట్లాడారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా విద్యార్థులు, వారి తల్లిదండ్రులకు విస్తృత ప్రచార కల్పించాల్సిన అవసరం ఉందని పేర్కొన్నారు. ఈ సందర్భంగా ఏర్పాటుచేసిన శైజ్ఞానిక ప్రదర్శన ఆలోచింపజేసింది. ప్రతిదిన కనబర్చిన వారికి బహుమతులు ప్రధానం చేశారు. మొదటి బహుమతి ఎల్. కిరణ్మయి, షి.కావ్యశ్రీ (శ్రీవైతన్య టెక్నో స్కూల్), రెండో బహుమతి అనూప, రేవతి ప్రసాద్ (డి.ఎ.ఎ. పబ్లిక్ స్కూల్), మూడో బహుమతి సాయిరితిక, గోకుల్ (లిటిల్ ఫ్లవర్ స్కూల్)లు సాధించారు. కార్యక్రమంలో డి.పి.శే.రావు, డా.నాగేశ్వర్, డా.శ్రీలక్ష్మి, రూపావాతి, శాస్త్రవేత్తలు, పరిశోధన విద్యార్థులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

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Students teach water conservation at IICT

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With the world becoming more cosmopolitan, groundwater has become an essential resource, yet it is subjected to overuse and contamination. Effective management of groundwater is imperative to ensure continued access to clean, accessible, and plentiful water supplies. With an aim of advancing chemical sciences, a science fair on water chemistry and management was held at Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad, on Saturday. It was open for Class X students of schools all over Hyderabad and Secunderabad. The fair was organised by Royal Society of Chemistry (London) - Deccan Section in association with Bhopal.

Among the exhibits David Raj and Vijay Kumar, students from JPMS, Nacharam who participated in the fair had prepared a working model. Their project was a model of rural village and urban apartment side by side. They explained how rain water can be used to produce electricity in the areas which are falling short



JPMS students display their model. Photos: Yuvraj Akula



Prof. B. Venkateshwar Rao addressing the gathering

of it and to replenish the dried bore wells in urban areas. There were models prepared by other school

children as well which were equally commendable.

The science fair saw participants from 30 different schools all over the city. The participants looked very excited and overjoyed to display their talent. The vision of this science fair was to inculcate scientific enquiry, to promote creativity and inspire students in all aspects of water related chemistry, to focus on the application of chemical sciences in the management of the water cycle and the impact of these activities on the natural envi-

ronment. Students were given variety of topics to choose one and prepare power point presentations which was accompanied by chart presentations and working models. The students used their creativity and came up with interesting ideas.

The presentations and projects prepared by the students were judged by Prof. Krishna Kumar, a retired professor, Dr. Y. Nagelwar Rao, Dr. K. Lalita both from IICT and Dr. Padmaja from NATCO. The projects sub-

mitted by them went through screening tests last month and the projects that qualified the first screening test were called for display at the institute on Saturday. Dr. Yadav who is the Director of IICT was the Chief Guest for the event. Prof. V. Venkateshwar Rao, head of department of water resource delivered a lecture on 'ground water quality and management' in which he explained students about water cycle and what measures can be taken to save ground water.

Rainwater harvesting stressed Students at science fair highlight need for water recycling



CONSERVATION MESSAGE: Students explaining their models to visitors at the science fair on Saturday. — PHOTO: G. RAMAKRISHNA

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HYDERABAD: The groundwater levels in different parts of the city are depleting every year much to the chagrin of the city dwellers. However, hardly do people construct rainwater harvesting pits in their houses to improve the situation.

The science fair 'Water Chemistry and Management' organised by Royal Society of Chemistry - Deccan section of here on Saturday promoted the need to construct rainwater harvesting pits and recycle the waste water. Students at the event exhibited differ-

ent models, presented power-point presentations and pictorial charts sensitising the visitors about the need and methods of water recycling.

Around 30 teams from various schools across the city showcased models about methods of waste water recycling. A team from DAV Public School, Safilguda, presented a model called "Green Bridge Filtration" system. The method involves utilising the existing nallas for sewerage water recycling. "In addition to being a cost-effective and eco-friendly method, it could be adapted without

going in for major technical requirements like in the case of setting up Sewerage Treatment Plant," claimed Anusha Hegde, a team member. The method involves making good use of natural resources like coir, water hyacinth, gravels and is ideal for rural set up, they said.

Another team from Sri Chaitanya Techno School, Kukatpally exhibited the Domestic Sewerage Waste Treatment for household utilities. The exhibition was inaugurated by Santosh Varad, CEO and Managing Director, Vivimed Labs, Hyderabad.

Thanks to VIVIMED Labs for their hospitality in conducting this event .

RSC - Deccan Section, Hyderabad are happy to convey sincere thanks to The Royal Society of Chemistry – London (U.K) for their financial support to this special event on ***Science Fair*** for school children. It was a grand success.....

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