



CCMB celebrates its science and technology through CSIR's One Week, One Lab program

Hyderabad, Aug 1, 2023: CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Hyderabad is going to be open to college students, educators, industry, farmers, wildlife officials and policymakers from 1-5 Aug, 2023, as a part of CSIR's One Week, One Lab celebrations. Launched at the start of the year by Dr Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Science and Technology, One Week, One Lab dedicates a week for each CSIR lab to promote its science and technology to its relevant stakeholders.

CCMB's One Week, One Lab campaign was inaugurated by Dr N Kalaiselvi, Director-General, CSIR. She said, "Sustainability is the call of the nation today, and it requires different labs, scientists, entrepreneurs and industry to collaborate together. COVID-19 brought many of these stakeholders together, and it is now important to maintain the momentum and solve the many problems in our society." The event was also addressed by Dr Madhusudhana Rao, CEO, Atal Incubation Centre-CCMB emphasizing the importance of bridging the gap between academia and entrepreneurship. This was followed by a brainstorming session between scientists and policymakers on how wastewater surveillance can be used effectively in Indian cities to track and curb infectious diseases.



Dr N Kalaiselvi, Director-General, CSIR interacting with CCMB students and scientists at the technology showcase of CCMB's One Week, One Lab

"During the week-long celebration, CCMB scientists will discuss how the cutting-edge tools in life sciences help us in not only understanding living systems but also address problems in infectious

diseases, wildlife conservation, agriculture, to name a few. We are looking forward to interacting to various stakeholders on these different aspects,” said Dr Vinay Nandicoori, Director, CSIR-CCMB.

From 1-4 Aug, CCMB will host interactive sessions and a technology showcase for college students on its campus. In addition, they will conduct a teacher training workshop to popularize its educational kits on molecular biology for high schools. It will meet farmers and farming produce organizations from Telangana and nearby areas to distribute the improved rice varieties. It will conduct a lecture on how wildlife forensics helps in wildlife conservation, and host a consultative meeting on how to control invasive species in aquatic ecosystems.