

Six young scientists to get state award

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SIX scientists have been selected for the Kerala State Young Scientist Award instituted by the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment (KSCSTE). There were no women scientists in the list announced on Thursday.

V B Kiran Kumar (Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, Cusat), Ajay Venugopal (Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research), Sasidharan B S (Scientist, CSTD, CSIR-NIIST), Sumod S G (Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Sacred Hearts College), Kumaravel S (Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, NIT), Pradeepan Periyat (Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Calicut University).

Each awardee will be presented with a certificate, Chief Minister's gold medal and cash prize of Rs 50,000. The awardees will be considered by the Council for a research grant of Rs 50 lakh after due consideration of the research project and cover travel expenses for an international science meet. The Chief Minister will hand over the award during the Science Congress to be held at Government Brennen College, Thalassery, on January 28.

The award is intended to honour talented young Kerala scientists in recognition of their outstanding contributions in any branch of science and technology. Research carried out in Kerala by young scientists of Indian origin, who have not attained the age of 37 years in any of the 14 disciplines were considered for the award.

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