

## Press Release

A National Cartoon Competition for youth and students on the topic "" **Climate Change in Indian Context**" is organised as a part of International Conference on "**Climate Change and Himalaya: Current status and future perspective**" (ICCCH) to be organized in Delhi during 3-5 December 2012.. Seven National Institutes of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research joins with United Nations Educational Scientific & Cultural Organisations (UNESCO) and International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) to organize the Conference. The cartoon competition was exclusively for youths consists two categories and the upper age limit was 35 years.

Category 1- Indian Youths- below 35 years and above 18 years. Category II- Below 18 years  
The date of age limit was 15.10.2012. The last date of the submission of cartoons was 25<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

There were more than five hundred cartoons from various States of the country. An eminent committee consisting Prof A.L Ramanatahn, Jawaharlal Nehru University (Technical expert) ,Cartoonist Surendra (The Hindu), Cartoonist Jayanto Banerjee (Hindustan Times), Cartoonist Prasannan Anikkad (Chairman Cartoon Academy), Cartoonist, Gujjarappa (Indian Institute of Cartoon) and Cartoonist Sudheernath(Convener ), had evaluated the cartoons in a meeting held at CSIR- NISCAIR on 28.10 2012. They had selected best from each category (total winners 10) .

### Cartoon Competition Results

#### Best to Five for youth ( 18 to 35 years )

1. Siva .K.M ( Kerala)
2. Satyabrata ( Manipur)
3. Charu Choudha (Madhyapradesh)
4. Ragesh (Kerala)
5. Nitish Kumar ( Delhi )
6. Vandana Maurya (Consolation prize), Delhi

#### Best four among juniors are (Up to 18 years)

1. Shubham Malhotra, Manav Sthali School (Delhi)
2. Salvy . S. Raj , St. Joseph, H.S.S, Thalassery, (Kerala)
3. Sanchi Bahal , St. Xavier's School (Delhi)
4. Abhishek Sharma , Ryan International School, Noida, (Uttar Pradesh)

The best five from category one (age between 18-35) and four from category two (age below 18) will be provided a prize of Rs 10,000/- each along with citation, momentum and gift bag. One special consolation prize also giving to category one. Best entries from all categories will get certificate with citation. The selected cartoons will be exhibited during the International Conference. . The book of selected cartoons will be released on the above function along with three books viz. Climate Change and Coastal & Island Vulnerability, Climate Change and Environment, Climate change impact on ecosystem on 3.5.2012., the inaugural function of the conference.

The CSIR Institutes associated with ICCCH are Indian Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology (CSIR- IHBT), Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR-IIIM), Centre for Mathematical Modelling and Computer Simulation (CSIR- CMMACS), Central Road Research Institute (CSIR- CRRI), North East Institute of Science & Technology (CSIR – NEIST), National Institute of Science Technology and Development Studies (CSIR – NISTADS) and National Institute for Science Communication And Information Resources (CSIR-NISCAIR).