

CDFD marks its 24th foundation day with open house and lectures

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New Delhi, February 04: Hyderabad-based Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics organized an Open Day for students from different schools and colleges across the twin cities and Secunderabad on January 28 to mark its 24th Foundation Day.

Different exhibits including posters were displayed and students were provided an opportunity to interact with scientists and researchers to get an exposure to research work being carried out at the centre. A lecture entitled “Modern Biology in Health and Disease” was delivered by Dr M D Bashyam for the benefit of the students. Several cultural programmes, competitions and sports activities were also organized for students and staff during celebrations.

A Foundation Day Lecture entitled “Understanding Information Processing by RNA Polymerase to Enable Microbial Engineering for a Sustainable Bioenergy Future” was also given by Prof. Robert Landick, Charles Yanofsky Professor of Biochemistry and Bacteriology, Laurens Andersen Professor of Biochemistry, Science Director, US DOE Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center University of Wisconsin–Madison, USA. The talk was held at the auditorium of Indian Institute of Chemical Technology. Almost all the institutes and universities across twin cities were invited, apart from invitees from outstation. Prof. Landick also delivered a talk on “Understanding the Cell’s CPU: Structure–Function of Transcription Elongation Complex Regulation” on January 29 at the Centre.

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