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CSIR-SERC AND CSIR MADRAS COMPLEX ORGANISE JIGYASA ATL WORKSHOP IN DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

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The CSIR-Structural Engineering Research Centre (CSIR-SERC), Chennai, in association with the CSIR Madras Complex (CMC), successfully concluded a two-day Jigyasa ATL Workshop (Student-Scientist Connect Programme) from November 6-7, 2025, in four schools across Dharmapuri district, Tamil Nadu.

The Jigyasa initiative is a significant effort by CSIR to strengthen Scientific Social Responsibility (SSR) by connecting students with the scientific community. It is inspired by the vision of the Prime Minister to foster a scientifically aware and innovative India.



The workshop witnessed active participation from approximately 400 students and 30 teachers. Scientists and technical experts, including Dr. S. Parivallal, Chief Scientist, led interactive sessions. Students engaged in hands-on experiments, notably learning to construct a simple battery to power an LED bulb and building a working DC motor using common materials like copper wire and safety pins.



These practical sessions effectively translated classroom knowledge into real-world scientific experiences, explaining complex concepts simply and making science fun and practical. The Jigyasa ATL workshop achieved its objective of successfully cultivating curiosity, creative thinking, and teamwork among the youth through experimentation.

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