

### **Prof. N. K. Batra Metals & Materials Quiz – 2017**

**Prof. N. K. Batra Metals & Materials Quiz – 2017** was held at the Lecture Hall 16, IIT Kanpur on Aug. 06, 2017. Similar to the previous occasions, this year also the event was jointly organized by the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur, Indian Institute of Metals (IIM) Kanpur chapter and the University Institute of Engineering and Technology, CSJM University, Kanpur. Prof. Anish Upadhyaya, HOD Materials Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur and Chairman, IIM Kanpur Chapter inaugurated the program and welcomed the participants. He briefly mentioned the valuable contributions of Prof. N. K. Barta in the field of materials science and engineering. He also reminisced about previous editions of the event, which turned 18 this year. Prof. Kantesh Balani from Department of Materials Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur, delivered an exciting lecture on “Biomaterials for Hip Joints”, explaining the science and engineering involved behind fabrication and the state of the art technology developed in his research group. Undergraduate and postgraduate students of IIT Kanpur also organized a nice exhibition, highlighting the research work in Materials Science and Engineering department of IIT Kanpur.

Total 24 teams, comprising of 48 students of class XI and XII, from 12 schools of Kanpur participated in the competition. Initially, out of the 24 teams, 16 were eliminated based on a short written quiz and remaining 8 teams were shortlisted for the next stage. In the second stage, each team was asked 4 questions, pertaining to materials science and top 6 teams proceeded to the next stage. The third stage included visual round, buzzer round and dumb charade round and top 3 teams progressed to the final stage. The final round was decided based on a buzzer round and a rapid fire round, in which Mr. Divyansh Sharma and Mr. Shubham Dixit of Onkareshwar SVNIC were declared the winners of **Prof. N. K. Batra Metals & Materials Quiz – 2017** and Ms. Nandini Jain and Mr. Saransh Srivastava of DPS Aazad Nagar were declared the runner-up. These two teams will now participate in the National level Prof. Brahm Prakash Memorial Quiz competition to be held at the Indira Gandhi Center for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam on September 09, 2017.

The quiz was organized under the guidance of Prof. Anish Upadhyaya, Chairman, Prof. Somnath Bhowmick, Secretary and Prof. Nilesh Prakash Gurao, Student Advisor of IIM Kanpur chapter. Prof. Sarang Ingole, Treasurer, IIM Kanpur chapter coordinated the preparations for the quiz. The grand success of the event was ensured by unrelenting and enthusiastic efforts of the students of IIM Kanpur chapter, led by Ms. Rani Agarwal, Mr. Nomendra Rajput and Mr. Nikhil Bansal of IIT Kanpur.