

## **Laboratories Visit and Painting Competition for the Students of G. S. S. S. Kotli, Mandi (Himachal Pradesh)**

Dated: 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2014

“I have been and still am a seeker, but I have ceased to question stars and books; I have begun to listen to the teaching my blood whispers to me.”

— Hermann Hesse

“Every now and then one paints a picture that seems to have opened a door and serves as a stepping stone to other things.” With this spirit in mind NSS unit collaborated with IEEE PES, society of IIT Mandi to organized a laboratories visit and painting competition on theme “Energy Efficiency and Energy Renewal” for the students of Government Sen. Sec. School Kotli on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2014.

Morning 10:00 am students reached at IIT Mandi Campus. NSS staff with volunteers welcomed the school staff and students. Volunteers organized an interaction session with school students. Interaction session included many interesting topics on study. Volunteers also told them about the procedure of admission at IIT’s in B Tech, MS, M Tech, MSc and PhD etc. Volunteers also made them aware about the coaching centers for IIT, AIEEE in India.



An interaction session for school students

Volunteers took them to different labs like; physics lab, computer lab, electrical lab, electronic lab and mechanical lab at IIT Mandi campus. In physics lab some experiments were performed by Students (B. Tech. and Research Scholars) of IIT Mandi in front of school students. A lecture on IT multimedia has been delivered by the volunteers (Mr. Gopal Kishan Agarwal, Mr. Tushar Gupta and Mr. Nikhil Sassi Rajan).



Volunteers and scholars are showing machines and performing some experiments

All volunteers and school students started their journey from IIT Mandi campus to Kamand campus. They reached Kamand campus at 12:00 noon. School students were very enthusiastic to know more and more about different science activities undertaken at IIT Mandi. They visited Advanced Materials Research Center (AMRC) at kamand, where they came to know about the research work going on at IIT Mandi and also knew about the working of different machines.



Visiting Advanced Materials Research Center (AMRC)

After having delicious lunch and campus visit, all school students gathered at NKN room (A1 building) for painting competition organized by IEEE PES society which was coordinated by Dr.



Dr. Bharat Singh Rajpurohit welcomes the students and other participants in painting competition

Bharat Singh Rajpurohit. Dr. Rajpurohit welcomed the participants and gave short description about the painting competition. Around 60 students including NSS volunteers participated in painting competition.



Prof. Timothy A. Gonsalves, Dr. Priscilla Gonsalves and Prof. Anand honored the participants

After the completion of painting competition refreshment was served to the students and volunteers. Director of IIT Mandi Prof. Timothy A. Gonsalves, Dr. Priscilla Gonsalves and Prof. Anand Shrivastava judged the paintings and appreciated the efforts of the participants. Prof. Gonsalves also distributed momentous and certificates to the participants.