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## CSIR names Bhatnagar winners

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NEW DELHI: The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research on Friday announced the winners of its prestigious Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology for 2008.

The winners are: Biological sciences – G.P.S. Raghava, Institute of Microbial Technology, Chandigarh; and L.S. Shashidara, Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology.

Chemical sciences – Pradeep Thalappil, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras; and Jarugu Narasimha Moorthy, IIT, Kanpur.

Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences – P.N. Vinayachandran, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

Engineering Sciences – Ranjan Kumar Mallik, IIT, Delhi.

Mathematical Sciences – Jaikumar Radhakrishnan, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.

Medical Sciences – Ravinder Goswami, All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi.

Physical Sciences – Raghunathan Srikanth, Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Pune; and Srikanth Sastry, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research Bangalore.

Director-General Samir K. Brahmachari made the announcement at a function got up to mark the CSIR Foundation Day. The prize comprises a cash award of Rs. 5 lakh, a citation and a plaque.

Dr. Brahmachari also announced the winner of the CSIR award for S&T innovations for rural development. It has been won jointly by the Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Lucknow, and the Central Salt and Marine Chemicals Research Institute, Bhavnagar.

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