

## **106 D. 14) State Scientists and Engineers Awards – 2020 and 2021**

With a view to recognize and reward Scientific and Technological talent in the state, the Department of Information Technology, Biotechnology and Science & Technology, Government of Karnataka has instituted several awards to the Scientists and Engineers of the State who have made significant contribution towards the development of the State in various fields of Science and Technology. These awards are being given every year since 1996.

The Government of Karnataka constituted a Selection Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri A. S. Kiran Kumar to select eligible Scientists & Engineers for these awards. Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST) has been entrusted with the responsibility of implementation of this programme.

The KSCST invited nominations for the State Awards for the years 2020 and 2021 during April 2022 through advertisements in the State Editions of leading national newspapers and by circulating information brochures to various Universities, Academic and R&D Institutions in the State. In response, KSCST received more than 330 nominations for both the years 2020 and 2021 for these awards in various categories. The Selection Committee met under the Chairmanship of Shri. A.S Kiran Kumar on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 4.00 PM in the Council Chamber, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru and recommended the awardees for the years 2020 and 2021 to the government.