

## 'Inspire' internship science camp from Monday

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The National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (NIIST), Thiruvananthapuram, will organise an internship science camp under the 'Inspire' programme of the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.

The camp will be held for five days from Monday, according to Mr K. Harikrishna Bhat, Chairman, 'Inspire' programme.

'Inspire' (Innovation in Science pursuit for Inspired Research) has been launched with a view to strengthening the national science and technology base by attracting young talents to science.

The basic objective of 'Inspire' would be to communicate to the youth population of the country the excitements of creative pursuit of science.

It also aims to attract them to the study of science at an early stage to build the required critical human resource pool for strengthening and expanding the science and technology system and R&D base.

Mr Bhat said that the science camp would be inaugurated by Dr B.N. Suresh, Director, Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST), Thiruvananthapuram.

Dr Suresh Das, Director, NIIST, will preside over the function. The camp will comprise of interactive technical lectures and experimental demonstrations by reputed scientists and academicians.

The programme would also include laboratory visits and scientific demonstrations and research, visits to other science and technology institutions, science quiz, video screening of major scientific discoveries and innovations, and distribution of educational tools.