

# Major Achievements of Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) during 2016

Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Science and Technology and the largest research and development (R&D) organization in India.

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#### **CSIR** Achievements

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 CSIR's Global positioning – CSIR has been ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the world amongst the government institutions in the world, according to 2016 report of the Scimago Institutions Rankings.

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#### **Inventions in Strategic Sector**

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- Drishti transmissometer A visibility measuring system provides information to pilots on visibility for soft landing and take-off operation.  $\n$
- Head-Up-Display (HUD) It is developed for Indian Light Combat Aircraft, Tejas to aid the pilot in flying the aircraft and critical maneuvers include weapon training.

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 Indigenous Gyrotron - Design and Development of Gyrotron for nuclear fusion reactor.

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#### **Energy and Environment sector**

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- Solar tree designed to occupy minimum space to produce clean power.  $\n$
- Lithium Ion Battery India's first lithium ion battery fabrication facility based on indigenous novel materials has been established.  $\n$

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## Value added Agriculture

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- Samba Mahsuri Rice Variety In collaboration with ICAR, an improved bacterial blight resistant Samba Mahsuri variety has been developed.
- Rice Cultivar (Muktashree) A rice variety which restricts assimilation of Arsenic.

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 White-fly resistant Cotton Variety – Development of transgenic cotton line which is resistant to whiteflies.
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#### Healthcare

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• JD Vaccine for Farm Animals – Vaccine developed for Johne's disease affecting sheep, goat, cow and buffalo so as to immunize them and increase milk and meat production.

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• Plasma Gelsolin Diagnostic kit to diagnose pre-mature birth and sepsis related deaths.

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• GOMED – Genomics and other omics technologies for Enabling Medical Decision has been developed which provides a platform of disease genomics to solve clinical problems.

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### Food & Nutrition

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- Ksheer-Scanner A new technical invention to detect the level of milk adulteration and adulterants.  $\gamman{\car{l}}\end{\car{l}}$
- Anti-obesity DAG oil oil enriched with Diacylglycerol (DAG) instead of conventional triacylglycerol (TAG).
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### Waste to Wealth

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- Non-toxic radiation shielding materials utilizing industrial waste like red mud (from aluminium industries) and fly ash (Thermal power plants) for application in diagnostic X-Ray rooms.  $\n$ 

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