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President of India honours TU Faculty with Visitor's Award 2018

When it comes to outstanding research, Tezpur University (TU) is no stranger to National and International recognition. Continuing the trend, Prof. Ashis. K. Mukherjee from the Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology of TU has brought a good news not only to the TU community but also to the entire



state of Assam and Northeast. The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind today (May 2, 2018) presented the prestigious Visitor's Award for Research in the field of Basic and Applied Science to Prof. Mukherjee during the meeting of Vice Chancellors of Central Universities at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The other academician who was honored with the award is- Prof. Sanjay K. Jain of Dr Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh.

The President of India, in his capacity as Visitor of the Central Universities, has been awarding Visitor's Awards to promote healthy competition amongst Central Universities and motivate them to adopt best practices from around the world in pursuit of excellence.



Prof. Mukherjee was honored with the award for his research leading to clarity on the molecular complexity and toxicity of the components of the snake venom from different locales of India. He is among the few notable scientists who have been pursuing research in exceedingly specialized but neglected area of snake venom from the past 24 years. The research contribution of Prof. Mukherjee is expected to significantly improve the current status of people's knowledge on the pathophysiology and the mechanism of action of several novel/previously uncharacterized toxins of snake venoms. He has also pinned down the problems associated with commercial anti venom and suggested measures for improving the quality and efficacy of anti-venom for the betterment of snakebite treatment. Further, his research group has also discovered novel/ superior peptide-based therapeutic molecules, better than the commercial drugs, from the underexplored snake venom. He has recently been honoured with the highest academic honorary degree Doctor of Science (D. Sc.) by the University of Calcutta for the same research work.

A decorated academician, Prof. Mukherjee has received several national as well as international awards and medals such as ISCA Young scientist award, National Bioscience and CREST awards from DBT, BOYSCAST fellowship from DST, and Best Researchers Award from TU for his academic and research excellence.