Archival Gallery inaugurated at Raman institute

BENGALURU, DHNS: Former Isro chairman Dr K Kasturirangan inaugurated the Archival Gallery at Raman Research Institute (RRI) on National Science Day. Archival Gallery informs visitors about the life and work of Nobel Laureate Sir C V Raman, who founded RRI in 1948.

The gallery, which was completed over two years, also gives a glimpse into some major scientific results from RRI's core themes — astronomy and astrophysics, soft condensed matter, light and matter physics and theoretical physics. The facilities that provide technological support for research at the institute were also displayed.

Around 800 government

and private school students, along with the public, participated in the Open Day at RRI on Tuesday. PhD and postdoctoral students at RRI, along with scientific staff, put together 30 science models and live demonstrations for the event. The Archival Gallery and RRI museum also drewlarge crowds.

Addressing the students, Dr Kasturirangan spoke about the evolution of space science in India and Isro's contributions in the past six decades.

S Rajendra Kumar, Chief Post Master General, Karnataka, along with Dr Kasturirangan and RRI Director Prof Tarun Souradeep jointly released a special poster cover themed on the National Science Day. The day is celebrated every year to mark the discovery of the Raman Effect.

Science gallery soon

A science gallery, announced back in 2016, is likely to be inaugurated soon.

Higher Education Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan made an announcement in this regard on Tuesday.

"To fuel interest in science among children, the state government is setting up a science gallery and it will be unveiled soon," Narayan said while taking part in the International Science Day event organised at the Government PU College in Malleswaram.

The gallery is coming up at Hebbal on one acre of land.