

# National Science Day 2020

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## Why National Science Day is observed?

- NSD is celebrated every year on 28 February to commemorate the discovery of the 'Raman Effect' (the scattering of photons or light particles by matter). The government of India designated 28 February as National Science Day (NSD) in 1986.
- On this day, Sir C.V. Raman announced the discovery of the 'Raman Effect' for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1930. On this occasion, theme-based science communication activities are carried out all over the country.
- It is an occasion to salute the talent and tenacity of our scientists. Their innovative zeal and pioneering research have helped India and the world. May Indian science continue to thrive and may our young minds develop even greater curiosity towards science.

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**Theme:** Women in science

### Awards

During the celebration, a total of 21 awards were given which include

- National Science and Technology and Communication Awards
- Augmenting Writing Skills For Articulating Research (AWSAR) awards
- SERB Women Excellence Awards and
- National Award For Young Woman Showing Excellence Through Application Of Technology For Societal Benefits.

