

# NITK Prof wins 'Prof Satish Dhawan Young Engineer State Award'



NITK Prof Hemantha Kumar receiving the award | EXPRESS

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DR HEMANTHA Kumar, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), has been conferred with Prof Satish Dhawan Young Engineers State Award in the field of Engineering Sciences for 2022. This award, instituted by the state government recognises outstanding contributions in the field of Engineering Sciences.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah presented the award in the presence of Bharat Ratna C N R Rao, Minister of Science and Technology N S Boseraju, Prof Govindan Rangarajan, director, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), A S Kiran Kumar, former chairman, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Ekroop Caur, secretary, Department of Science and Technology, and other dignitaries at a ceremony held at J N Tata Auditorium, IISc campus, Bengaluru recently.

The award instituted by the Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology to encourage engineers and scientists aged under 50 who have made outstanding contributions in engineering and earth sciences carried a purse of Rs 1,00,000, a memento and a citation. In response to the award, Prof Hemantha Kumar expressed his gratitude to his colleagues, students, and the NITK community for their support. He also acknowledged the role of funding agencies and collaborators in fostering his research endeavours. NITK director Prof B Ravi congratulated Prof Hemantha Kumar for his remarkable achievement.